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On the second day of the 2014 Ocean City Shark Tournament, Sean Hogan from Morgantown, NJ caught this 314 lb. mako shark and never looked back, capturing 1st place in the Mako Division and a check for \$10,170. Sean was fishing on the "Sweetie" with George Steller, Jim O'Donnell, Jim Papccio and Capt. Brian Perry. Sean hooked the 94-inch mako on a whole mackerel in 40 fathoms, just inside the Baltimore Canyon where Capt. Brian found water temperatures hovering around 61-degrees. Pictured at the Ocean City Fishing Center.



Julian Jerry and Elle Jerry, both from Wilmington, DE joined Darlene and Steve Ramsey for a trip on the "Lady Luck" with Capt. Tommy Baldwin and mate D.J. Churchill and ended up with



Doug Powell from Willards, MD was tossing a jighead tipped with a grub from the Rt. 50 Bridge when he hooked into this 25-inch, 5 lb. 14 oz. flounder.



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Wishing they had entered the 2014 Ocean Shark Tournament, anglers on the "Blackjack" returned to Bahia Marina on Friday with a 300 lb. thresher shark caught outside the Fingers. The thresher was hooked on a whole mackerel in 59-degree water. Pictured are John Adams, Nick Merrill, Joey Collins and Capt. Eric Schline.



Ryan Johnson nailed this 71.2 lb. black drum on a chunk of clam while anchored off Slaughter Beach. Weighed at Lewes Harbour Marina.



Jim Smith from Lancaster, PA was fishing a minnow and squid combination in the Thorofare when he muscled in this 25-inch, 6 lb. 6 oz. flounder.

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Mike Jones from Slatington, PA used a minnow and Fishbites combination to fool this 23 1/2-inch, 5 lb. 8 oz. flounder while fishing in the East Channel, south of the Rt. 50 Bridge. The fish was caught in 20-feet of water during the start of the outgoing tide.



Jeff Griffin from Lancaster, PA (pictured), Stanley Smith from Coatesville, PA and Jesse Cruickshank from Chester Springs, PA ventured out on an overnight trip to 500 fathoms outside the Baltimore Canyon where they released a mako shark, estimated at 250 lbs., and hooked 6 bluefins, keeping a 60 pounder, in 64-degree water. The anglers caught a pair of yellowfins the following day, all on spreader bars. Pictured at Hook'em & Cook'em.



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Ocean City Fishing Report

by Larry Jock



The week came in like a lion and went out like a lamb. Mother Nature wasn't too cooperative on many days last week, keeping offshore anglers from getting to their favorite haunts and creating dirty water conditions for those fishing in the bay.

2014 Ocean City Shark Tournament

On Thursday, the 1st day of the Ocean City Shark Tournament saw nasty conditions keep all 18 boats at the dock. The following day, the "Sweetie" was the first to weigh a fish and made the most of it with a 314 lb. mako caught in 40 fathoms, just inside the Baltimore Canyon. Everyone knew this was going to be a tough one to beat, and it was, ending the tournament in 1st place in the Mako Division.

Most of the action on the 2nd day centered around blue sharks with only one other mako brought to the scale by anglers on the "Absolut Pleasure". The "Nontypical" took the lead in the Release Division with an incredible 21 releases (9 sandbar, 11 blue sharks, 1 mako) during their trip to 25 fathoms inshore of the Washington Canyon.

Saturday was the final day of the tournament. The "Restless Lady" jumped into



Gunnar Zorn, John Walker, John Morton, Jimmy Michael, Charlie Pino, Don Kline, Lou Schultheis and Capt. Corey Kennington ventured to the 461 Lump where water temperatures jumped from the high 50's to the mid-60's and ended up with 10 yellowfin tuna in the box of the "Dawg Haus". Pictured at Sunset Marina.

2nd place in the Mako Division with a 170 pounder, but didn't finish the tournament there, unseated by the final boat that arrived at the scale, the "Keep Er' Wet" with a 193 lb. mako caught on a whole bluefish at the Sausages.

The Open Division saw a couple of leaderboard changes throughout the final day. The

"Teaser" jumped into the lead with a 203 lb. thresher caught on a whole bluefish just inside the Jackspot, but their lead didn't last long when the "Reel Instigator" pulled up with a 346 lb. thresher hooked on a menhaden at the Fingers. The "Nontypical" followed up their 21 release day with a stress filled trip to the same location, with the same conditions, but did not get their first bite until close to noon. For the day, they

released "only" 3 makos and 2 blue sharks but held on to win 1st place in the Release Division. Even with their tough second day of fishing, the team on the "Nontypical" were still responsible for an incredible 24% of all releases recorded during the tournament.

Overall, it was great to see some nice sharks weighed at the tournament and over \$43,000 awarded to some very happy anglers.

Sharks

Outside of the tournament, we saw some impressive sharks catches last week.

Early in the week, the "Magic Moment" returned with a 190 lb. mako caught near the 461 Lump. The weather turned foul until Friday when the "Blackjack" ventured to outside the Fingers and boated a 300 lb. thresher shark. Capt. Eric Schline reported water temperature hovering around 59.5-degrees. Also on Friday, the charter boat, "Marli" went down to the Washington Canyon and released 4 blue sharks and a mako.

On Saturday, anglers on the "Get Reel" pulled up to Ake Marine with an impressive 338 lb. thresher caught in 59.3-degree water at the Marine Electric.

Tuna

It was a very tough week for tuna anglers with rough sea conditions keeping most at the dock for the majority of days last week. Early in the week, before the blow, the 461 Lump and the Baltimore

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Canyon were the two "go to" spots for yellowfins and bluefins.

On Monday, the "Dawg Haus" headed to the 461 Lump and boated 10 yellowfins where the water temperature jumped from the high 50's to the mid-60's. The "Boss Hogg" also had a good day, capturing 8 yellowfins and 2 bluefins in the Baltimore Canyon.

On Friday, yellowfins and bluefins were caught in the Baltimore Canyon with anglers staying busy with double digit bluefin releases after catching their 2 keepers. Yellowfins were caught in 400 fathoms and bluefins were

caught closer to shore in 100 fathoms.

Striped Bass

A red hot striper bite for surfcasters came to a halt after the blow last week putting a possible end to the spring striper run.

Early week reports came in from Capt. John Prather on the "Ocean City Guide Service" of incredible striper action around the South Jetty. The stripers were all too small to keep, but they were plentiful and loads of fun for anglers fishing with light tackle.

Larger fish moved in around the Rt. 50 Bridge for anglers casting Storm lures at night. Reports came in of several fish landed that measured over 35-inches. Capt. John witnessed a fish hooked that he said was every bit of 45-inches, which is a huge fish to catch in our bay.

Flounder

The week started off great with several flounder coming

to the scale from anglers drifting in the Thorofare. There were also several flat fish caught in the bay behind the Ocean City Airport. Jim Smith landed a 25-incher that weighed over 6 lbs. while drifting a squid and minnow combination in the Thorofare and Bob Grady caught a 24-inch, 5 lb. 3 oz. flattie, also while drifting over the Thorofare flats.

When the bad weather rolled in, water conditions deteriorated in the bay, leaving flounder fishermen frustrated.

White Gulp! Swimming Mullet continues to be the top producer this flounder season and the standard minnow and squid combination is not too far behind.

Sea Bass

Headboats returned to Ocean City docks with several limits during the week when the weather allowed them to leave the Ocean City Inlet. The Old Grounds, African

June 4, 2014 Coastal Fisherman Page 9 Queen and structure around the Jackspot all produced knothead limits for anglers. The headboats, "Fish Bound", "Morning Star" and the "Angler" all had several nice catches last week. Clams are still the top bait to use when trying to hook a keeper sea bass.

Upcoming Tournament

The second, and final shark tournament of the year will be held at Bahia Marina on Friday, Saturday and Sunday, June 6th to 8th. Spectators can watch the weigh-ins up close from 3:30 to 7:30 PM on all 3 days.

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Laurence O. Schrawder, age 81, passed away Wednesday May 28, 2014, at Coastal Hospice at the Lake in Salisbury. Born in Philadelphia, he was the son of the late Thomas Frederick Schrawder and Viola Mary Charlton Schrawder. He is survived by his wife Patricia Matthews Schrawder and a son Laurence Thomas Schrawder and his wife Debbie of Berlin. Also surviving is a sister Sally Rhodes and her husband Blaine of Palm City, FL.



Mr. Schrawder had worked with the Bell Telephone Company of Pennsylvania for 30 years, and was the owner operator of L&L Marine in West Ocean City, having worked in the marine electronics business since the late 70's. He was a United States Marine Corps Veteran serving 1950-1952 during the Korean conflict. Mr. Schrawder was a member of the Marine Corps Band based in Quantico, VA where he played the trumpet, an instrument he had played since the age of ten. He was Past Chairman of the Worcester County Republican Central Committee, member of the Bristol Masonic Lodge #25 in Bristol, PA, the Ocean City and Salisbury Chapters of the Scottish Rite, and the Boumi Temple in Baltimore. He was also a Synepuxent Rod and Gun Club, the Ocean City Marlin Club and the Telephone Pioneers. Mr. Schrawder was a Boy Scout Leader of Troop 554 in Philadelphia. He had many passions. In his younger years he enjoyed riding motorcycles and endurance runs. He loved baseball and was an Orioles fan, enjoyed fishing, and loved music.

A funeral service was held on Monday, June 2, 2014 at 11:00 AM at the Burbage Funeral Home in Berlin. Rev. Robert Miller officiated. In lieu of flowers a donation in his memory may be made to: Coastal Hospice, P.O. Box 1733, Salisbury, MD 21804. Letters of condolence may be sent via: www.burbagefuneralhome.com

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Rick Schlege of Temple, PA used a live minnow to fool this 24 1/2-inch, 4 lb. 13 lb. flounder while fishing around Burton's Island in the Indian River Bay. Weighed at Hook'em & Cook'em.



Looking dapper as ever in his fishing fedora, David Leizear of Powellville, MD landed this 31-inch striped bass while casting a Roy Rig around the Rt. 50 Bridge. David was fishing with Big Bird Cropper and reported all the 18" to 24" stripers you wanted were around the bridge on Saturday.



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<p>6th Annual OCMC Ladies' Tournament "HEELS & REELS" <i>To benefit the OCMC Auxiliary Scholarship Fund</i></p> <p>Chairmen: Franky Pettolina & Amanda Shick Registration: July 31, 6:00pm Captain's Meeting: 8:00pm Fishing Days: (1 or 2) August 1&2 Weigh Ins: August 1&2, 5:00-7:30pm Awards Banquet: August 2, 6:30-9:00pm</p>	<p>56th Annual Labor Day White Marlin Tournament Chairmen: Franky Pettolina, Bob Wimbrow & Bill Fenwick Registration: August 28, 6:30pm FREE TO PAID OCMC BOAT MEMBERS Captain's Meeting: 8:00pm Fishing Days: (2 of 3) August 29, 30 & 31 Weigh Ins: August 29, 30 & 31, 5:30-7:30pm Awards Banquet: August 31, 6:30-9:00pm Awards Presentation: 8:00pm</p>	<p>36th Annual Charles Kratz & Scott Smith Challenge Cup Chairmen: John C. Duffie & Andy Helms Registration: September 11, 7:00pm Captain's Meeting: 8:00pm Fishing Days: (2 of 2) Sept. 12&13, No weigh-ins Italian Night: Sept. 12, 6:30-9:00pm Awards Banquet: Sept. 13, 6:30-9:00pm <i>Invitation Only</i></p>	<p>2nd Annual OCMC Rockfish Tournament <i>To benefit the St. Jude Children's Research Hospital</i> Chairmen: Colin Campbell & Jeremy Blunt Registration: December 5, 6:00pm Captain's Meeting: 7:00pm Fishing Days: (5 of 9) December 6-14 Weigh Ins: December 6-14, Time: TBA Awards Banquet: December 14, Time: TBA</p>

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Joe Nolan from York, PA caught this 20-inch flounder while drifting a white Gulp! Swimming Mullet in the bay behind Assateague Island.



Geoff McCloskey, Brian Petka, Mike Zeccolla and Joey DellAversano on the "Tutta Benne" ventured out to the west wall of the Wilmington Canyon and caught a pair of bluefin tuna weighing 50.5 lbs. and 114.5 lbs. Both were caught on skirted ballyhoo trolled on waybacks and planers in 65-degree water. Weighed at Lewes Harbour Marina.



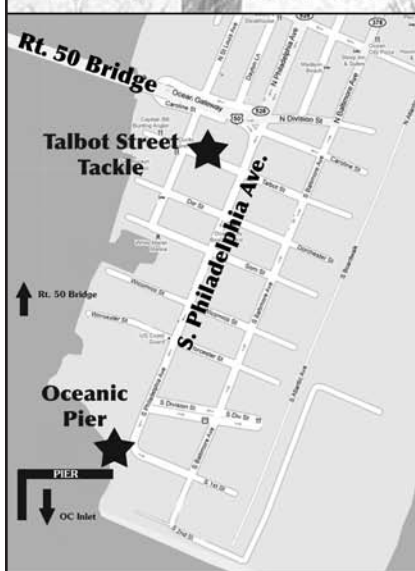
Mike Runk, Sr., Mitch Hubbard, Bradley Hubbard, Mike Runk, Jr. and Bill Hubbard returned with 6 yellowfins caught late in the day in the Washington Canyon while fishing on the "Second Chance". All 6 fish were caught on squid bars.

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"Where should I start in my boat?"

Most anglers who have just put their boats in the water are asking that question. Start close to where you launch your boat! For example, if you were docked in North Ocean City, I would start by taking a few drifts up by the main channel of the Route 90 Bridge. You will be going that way anyway, so stopping for 4 or 5 drifts will never hurt. The main channel on the east span of the Rt. 90 Bridge is where you want to try. Drift on either side, depending on the tide. It's not real deep up around the Route 90 Bridge, but there

are some places that dip to 7 to 8 feet of water, and that is what you want to look for. Start in the deeper water and then you can drift until you get into 4 feet of water before it's time to take another drift.

Flounder love changes of bottom, so either start in 4 or 5 feet of water and drift into the deeper water, or vice versa. You will always find flounder feeding in these changes of bottom depth. Whether it is offshore or inshore, flounder sit on the bottom waiting for food to drop from the current. More food drops into the flounder's mouths in places of bottom depth changes. It's just as simple as that!

"Is that why I don't catch many flounder when the tide is totally slack?"

YES! But that total slack tide doesn't last long, sometimes only as long as 20-minutes. Then as soon as the tide just starts to move, the bite can be very, very good, so you always need to be ready. What I do at total slack tide, is to cast and slowly retrieve along the bottom, or jig, jig, jig that minnow or Gulp! artificial bait. If the current, boat drift, slow idle, wind, or tide is not

moving your bait, YOU need to move your bait! It's as simple as that!

"OK. I drifted around the Rt. 90 Bridge and caught one keeper and a throw-back before the action stopped."

Next stop would be the Thorofare area that is actually a REALLY big area. If the tide is still fairly high, you can start drifting from Buoy #16 (offshore of Ocean Pines) all the way to Buoy #10 (near the big houses in Captain's Hill). If the tide is getting lower, I'd go all the way to Buoy #10 and take a couple drifts. Again, drift from the deeper water to shallower water. Drift from the land to the buoy... a little past the buoy, back towards the land, etc. You may go from 15 feet to 4 feet of water in that area. At a couple of places in the Thorofare, close to the houses, water depth may drop to 20 feet or more. Work the changes of bottom depth. Water clarity is important too. If the water is dirty and foamy back there in the Thorofare, don't stay. Go on up near the Route 50 Bridge!

Tide and current are also important factors around the Route 50 Bridge. When the current is rolling, it can sometimes be too strong to fish near the bridge itself. Anglers start around 14th Street in the main East Channel, off of Harbor Island (gray townhouses) and drift

towards the Rt. 50 Bridge. As the tide eases, flounder can really turn on right around the bridge. Just south of the Route 50 Bridge can be a "hot spot" also when the tide is not rolling too hard. Catch the tide here just as it is changing. Water is deep, so it's a good choice to fish at dead low tide. The last part of the outgoing and the first part of incoming can produce a doormat flounder here!

While you are drifting anywhere near the Rt. 50 Bridge, keep your eye out for diving birds. This time of year, nice bluefish are in the area! You can use your flounder baits, live minnows with a strip of squid or Gulp!, or frozen shiners hooked through the eyes with a strip of squid or Gulp!, but be sure to keep it moving. If you see birds diving, cast their way and let your bait sink to the bottom, then reel in a little faster than you would for flounder!



If the blues really start biting, tie on a lead head or bucktail in the 1/2 to 2 oz. range and hook on a 4-inch Gulp! Swimming Mullet and cast towards the action. Use a 5-inch Gulp! on larger size bucktails. This is really fun on

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light spinning tackle and gives you something else to fish for if the flounder bite isn't great.

Oh, and if you are wondering which days the blues will be around the Route 50 Bridge? Any east wind usually brings them in! So, if you are out there, and the breeze gets a little chilly, and the fog rolls in a little, then the wind has switched to the east and I bet they'll be some blues!!!!

"OK, so I've done the Route 50 Bridge thing. I heard there were some flounder action behind Assateague Island?"

If you launch your boat at the Commercial Harbor or Assateague Boat Ramp, this would be a good place to try.

Behind Assateague Island can be hot or cold, and it's just one of those places you have to take a cruise, look at the water and decide if it's worth it or not. The water behind Assateague tends to clean up on an easterly breeze and a straight south wind usually

dirty's it up. Now Assateague bay has a lot of mud on the bottom, so it's rarely crystal clear by any means, but if you go down there and start dragging up green and brown slur, and the water is foamy white on the top it's time to give it up.

The bay behind Assateague Island is a large area, just like the Thorofare. Some anglers do really well drifting around the buoys behind the Ocean City Airport. This is only a hop, skip and a jump from the Ocean City Inlet, so it's no big deal to try. Some of the really hot spots are further down the bay around Buoys #8 through #14. Behind Frontier Town, Eagles Nest Campground and even further down past Buoys #13 and #14 and past a duck blinds can also produce good action. There are even some good flounder holes around the Assateague Bridge, officially named the Verrazano Bridge.

And while you are down there, you can cast your lead

head and 4-inch Gulp! Swimming Mullet around the pilings of the Assateague Bridge for some stripers and bluefish!

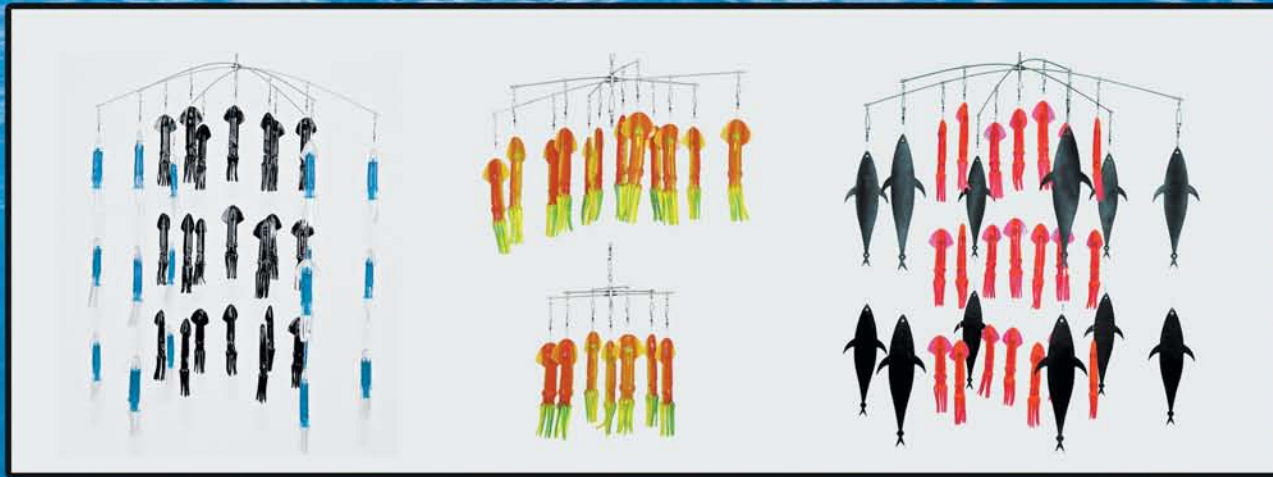


Last but not least, there's still some tautog around, so if you take out some sand fleas or green crabs, you can cast near Martha's Landing on the west side of the bay or around the South Jetty and give that a try too! It's usually best on the slacking tide.

Lots of fun, a little variety and hopefully something for the freezer!

Good fishing....

Sue Foster is an outdoor writer and co-owner of Oyster Bay Tackle in Ocean City, MD and Fenwick Tackle in Fenwick, DE.

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Danny Selby had a great day black drum fishing with his son, Hunter Selby, landing this 59 lb. boomer while soaking surf clams in the Broadkill Slough. Weighed at Lewes Harbour Marina.

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George Bell from Millersville, MD, Craig Roberts from Bethany Beach, DE and Rich Roberts from Odenton, MD caught some nice sea bass while fishing on the headboat, "Morning Star" with Capt. Monty Hawkins and mates Jake Shaffer and Jake Knox. George led the way with a 3 lb. 2 oz. knothead, caught on clams at an ocean wreck. Pictured at the Ocean City Fishing Center.



Brian Arni, Mike Arni and Paul Irwin teamed up to land this 338 lb. male thresher shark after it ate a whole mackerel in 59.3-degree water at the Marine Electric. Weighed at Ake Marine.



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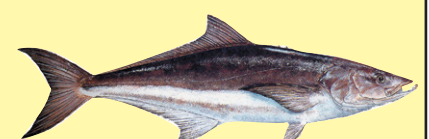
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It's thumbs up for Sean McAvoy of Endicott, NY after boating this 13 lb. monkfish while fishing on the headboat, "Angler" with Capt. Chris Mizurak and mates Dean Lo and Rich Fouts. Sean fooled the handsome creature with a strip of squid at a natural reef.



Matt Banta from Ellicott City, MD caught this 30-inch striper while fishing with cut bunker from the beach in north Ocean City. Photo courtesy of Oyster Bay Tackle.

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Derek Dengler from Bel Air, MD (pictured) and Steve Merther from Annapolis, MD teamed up to catch this 116 lb. mako shark and release 7 blue sharks while fishing with bluefish fillets at the Fingers. The duo was fishing on "D'ANGLER" and weighed their catch at Sunset Marina.



Mike Hastings used fresh bunker to fool this 34-inch striped bass while fishing off Assateague Island during the outgoing tide. The linesider weighed 12 lbs. on the scale at Buck's Place.



Matt Weber was fishing with bunker in the suds off Assateague Island when he captured this 23-inch, 6lb. 14 oz. black drum during the incoming tide. Photo courtesy of Buck's Place.

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Chris Andrews from Lee, MA caught this 30-inch striper on fresh bunker while fishing off Assateague Island. Chris is pictured with his son, Malcolm Andrews. Photo courtesy of Buck's Place.



Matt Powell was fishing with Mo Cropper and Dave Myszk off a Virginia barrier island when he caught and released this 50-inch red drum after hooking it on cut bait.



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Ray Meyer from Annapolis, MD and Woody Young from North Beach, MD each caught a pair of 3 lb. sea bass while fishing on the head boat, "Morning Star" with Capt. Monty Hawkins and mates Jake Shaffer and Jake Knox. Both fish were caught at the Lindsey Power Reef which is part of the Jackspot Reef. Pictured at the Ocean City Fishing Center.

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Tom Jaschik was fishing off the beach at 137th Street in Ocean City when he captured this 35-inch, 22 lb. 12 oz. striper on a chunk of fresh bunker. Weighed at Fenwick Tackle.



Paul Anthony from Seaford, DE caught a pair of sea bass, the largest weighing 4 lbs. 5 oz., and Kephart Pryor from Edgewood, MD added a 4 lb. 6 oz. knothead to the catch list, all while fishing on the headboat, "Morning Star" with Capt. Monty Hawkins and mates Jake Shaffer and Jake Knox. The fish were caught on clams and squid at an ocean wreck. Pictured at the Ocean City Fishing Center.

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Greg Nickens from Adamstown, MD landed this 32-inch striper while fishing with fresh cut bunker, south of the Bullpen off Assateague Island.



Danny Harris from Atlanta, GA boated this 4 lb. 8 oz. sea bass after hooking it on a strip of squid on a natural reef. Danny was fishing on the headboat, "Angler" with Capt. Chris Mizurak and mate Dean Lo.

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Jacob Webb and Paul Matthews from Lewes, DE, David Hess from Felton, DE and Ken Kaiss from Harbeson, DE teamed up to land this 135.2 lb. thresher shark after hooking it on a whole bluefish, southeast of "B" Buoy. The anglers were fishing on the "Island Girl" and weighed the shark at Hook'em & Cook'em.

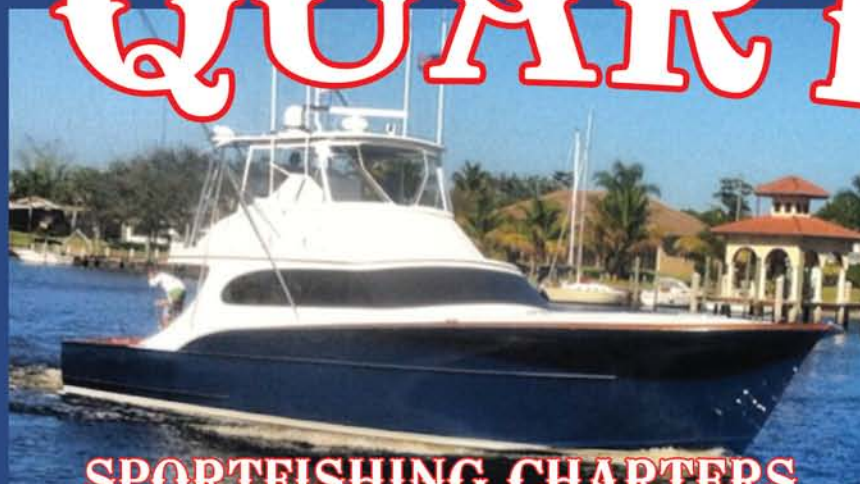


Jesse, Travis and Larry Hoffman joined Mike Brown, Austin Schrieber and Mike Cullum for a trip on the charter boat, "Foolish Pleasures" with Capt. Dale Lisi and mate Eddie Braxton and were rewarded with 3 yellowfins and a couple of bluefins. The fish were caught in the Baltimore Canyon with the bluefins hooked in 100 fathoms and the yellowfins in 400 fathoms. Pictured at the Ocean City Fishing Center.

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Chris Nielowocki caught a 21-inch flounder and Steve Manlio landed a 17-incher, both while fishing on the charter boat, "Get Sum" with Justin Block, Brian Wilson, Dan Pontius, Capt. Nick Clemente and mate Lizzy Brittingham. Both flatties were hooked on white Gulp! Swimming Mulletts with Chris' being caught in the East Channel and Steve's in the Thorofare. Pictured back at the Ocean City Fishing Center.

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Bob Grady was fishing on the "Flounderin' Around" with Budd Heim when he hooked this pair of flounder in the Thorofare on a custom made bucktail tipped with a minnow. The largest flounder measured 24 1/4-inches and weighed 5 lbs. 3 oz.

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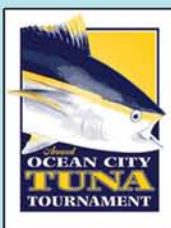
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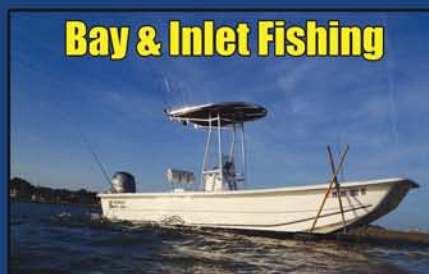
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Delaware Fishing Report

by Larry Jock



Joe Morris at Lewes Harbour Marina said fishing in general was good during the week, with a variety of species available to area anglers. It's been exciting to see the return of nice sized sea trout (weakfish). Tiderunners have shown up at many of their old haunts. Casting a white Gulp! in the rain from Cape Henlopen Pier paid off for Brian Hebel. He hooked and landed a 6.33 pound weakfish. Mike Slaughter and Charlie Booth worked purple grubs in Roosevelt Inlet for trout weighing 6.32 and 3.58 lbs., plus a bonus 6.39 lb. red drum. Jonathon McCabe, Derek Swafford and Zachary Morris managed three fine trout of 5.74, 5.11 and 4.64 lbs. while tossing Bass Assassins to the Ferry Wall. Frank Hornberger was fishing in Broadkill River when he connected with a 5.33 lb. weakie. Jason Hall, Paul Caras and Matt Purnell put three pretty trout weighing 5.97, 5.66 and 4.7 lbs. in the box Friday night near the Inner Wall. They also kept 4 nice fluke. It seems like we can look forward to more action with quality trout as their numbers continue to increase.

Drumming held up over recent days. Shallow water off Broadkill Beach, a couple miles northwest of Roosevelt Inlet was productive. Drum also came from the submerged piles off Fowler Beach and the Coral Beds. Becki Price boated a 76 lb. boomer aboard the "Indian". Robert Reinhart reeled in a 59.9 pounder on the "Pirate King II".



Mike Babcock of Lewes, DE, Chaz Didomenicis and Michael Zorzi of Rehoboth, DE and Neal DeAngelo and Barrett Cullen of Wilmington, DE returned to the Indian River Marina with a 61.2 lb. bluefin tuna and 2 yellowfin weighing 46.3 lbs. and 46.5 lbs. All three tuna were caught on spreader bars in the Baltimore Canyon and weighed at Hook'em & Cook'em.

Trevor Gouert got a 57 pound drum on the "Angler". Johnny Blatt bested a 77 lb. black drum, Earl Snyder scored a 60 pounder, and Daryl Lehew landed a 68 lb. black drum aboard the "Miss Kirstin". Scott Campbell caught a 78.4 pound behemoth, Robert Barrett boated a 71.3 pounder, and Stephanie Kearns captured a 64.2 pound drum on the "Martha Marie". Ryan Johnson checked in

a 71.2 pound drum. Donald Barnes decked a 70.5 pounder, and West Sarver wound in a 59.9 pound specimen.

The Bayshore Channel on the other side of Delaware Bay recently gave up numerous drum. Captain Carey on the "Grizzly" said fish really chewed Friday night, and again through the afternoon on Saturday near #8 Buoy. His drummers iced 13

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boomers. Three of them were over 60 pounds, and the largest, landed by Terry Swope, weighed in at a whopping 80 pounds.

Flounder catches were decent in Lewes Canal, Broadkill River and around the Cape Henlopen Pier. The reduced minimum size of 16-inches has resulted in more keepers for most anglers. Minnows, shiners and Gulp! were favored offerings among the flounder crowd. Clayton Morgan captured a 4.2 lb. flattie using minnows. Clayton and Ed Yingling ended up with 5 flatties in the box after a couple hours of Canal drifting. Fred Smith edged out Todd Meredith by 1/4-inch with his 20-3/4 incher for the longest fish in the Probation and Parole Flounder Tournament on Friday. Young Dylan Churchill was dialed in on Lewes Canal flounder on Saturday. He outfished his dad, Capt. D.J. Churchill with a pair of 18-inch keepers. On Sunday, Ricky and Todd Mills combined for 7 keepers from the Canal using 5-inch pink Gulp!. Jeff Weaver checked in with a 4.5 pounder he got using Gulp! and minnows.

Bottom bouncers in the Delaware Bay have had fun with hardheads, kingfish, blowfish and spot while anchored and fishing with clams and bloodworms over the Coral Beds.

Folks on the rail at Cape Henlopen Pier have been enjoying the arrival of spot, and got into good numbers of the tasty panfish on Saturday using bloodworms. Nighttime anglers on the Pier did pretty well with flounder jigging speck rigs and Gulp!.

Surfcasters along the ocean beach encountered some small bluefish, kingfish, blowfish and the occasional striper. Dave McDaid got a 36-inch rockfish

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Stripers made a showing in Indian River Inlet during the week, and jetty jocks tossing Bomber plugs, Storm and Tsunami Shads and bucktails had success during evening and early morning incoming tides. Justin and Don Hallacher, along with Chris Raezer fished the Inlet on Memorial Day morning and caught bass weighing 11.5, 14.9 and 15.8 lbs.

Boaters seeking sea bass found legal sized fish on inshore wrecks and snags, although there were many more shorts. Captain Brent's bassers aboard the "Katydid" had a limit catch of quality knotheads along with 22 ling on Friday. Adam May and Maggie Lingo landed jumbo bass weighing 4.94 and 3.25 pounds respectively. Charles Edwards iced a 3.5 pound sea bass during a previous trip on the "Katydid". On Sunday, "Katydid" regulars brought back 97 bass and 22 ling.

The Old Grounds are starting to come alive. Saad Soliman kept 3 fluke, measuring up to 24-inches, while working a white bucktail tipped with pink Gulp!

Early offshore action

continues to please tuna aficionados. Reports of yellowfins and bluefins came from various locations including the Wilmington, Baltimore and Poor Man's Canyons, as well as the 461 Lump. Jon Bixler trolled 67-degree water in 500 fathoms of the Baltimore for 3 yellowfins on Sunday. Bill Swords and his buddies pulled spreader bars and ballyhoo through 65-degree, 65 fathom water inshore of the Baltimore on Tuesday for their over and under bluefins weighing up to 65 lbs., plus three yellowfins between 35 to 40 lbs.

Further south at Hook'em & Cook'em at the Indian River Marina, Bert Adams reported that the Inlet striper bite has been reduced to mostly throwbacks with some keepers here and there. Fish are still being caught with artificials like Storm lures, Tsunamis and bucktails tipped with white worms. Bluefish action has slowed down with not as many being caught during the incoming tides by anglers using bucktails, spoons and Gotcha plugs.

There was a nice 6 lb. weakfish caught by Clayton Anders while fishing in the Inlet

on Wednesday afternoon and reports came in about other keeper weakfish, measuring up to 30-inches, being netted.

Flounder are still just being picked at here and there using live minnows and squid. A nice 3 pounder was caught on the south side of the Inlet in front of the Campgrounds over the weekend.

Upcoming Tournament

Don't forget to register for the 1st Annual Kids Catch-All Tournament to be held at the Indian River Marina on Saturday, June 28th and Sunday, June 29th with registration on Friday night from 6:00 to 8:00 PM and Saturday morning from 6:00 to 8:00 AM.

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PM. The tournament is open to all youth anglers, ages 3 to 18. Parents may help the junior anglers reel in the fish and circle hooks are required for those fishing in the Offshore Division.

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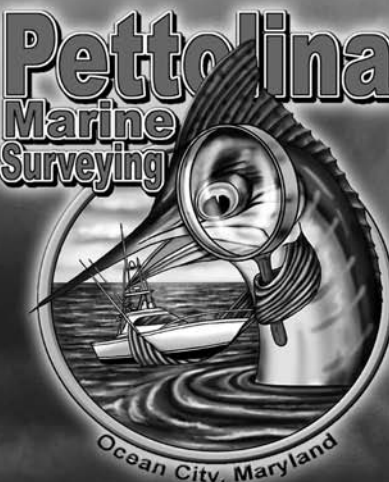
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Corey Brossman from Wyomissing, PA landed a 5 lb. 5 oz. weakfish and a pair of strippers while his buddy, Sam Bozochovic from Williamsport, PA also landed 2 strippers, all while casting 5-inch Storm lures in the Indian River Inlet. Photo courtesy of Hook'em & Cook'em.



This 19-inch flounder and 27-inch weakfish fell at the hands of Ross Grossi of Wilmington, DE while tossing a swim shad in the Broadkill River. The weakie weighed 6 lbs. 6 oz. on the scale at Bill's Sport Shop.



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Mo Cropper of Ocean City, MD was surf fishing off a Virginia barrier island when he caught and released this 49-inch red drum after hooking it on a peeler crab.



Colby Simms from Akron, PA was drifting minnows in the Lewes Canal when he hooked into this 18-inch, 2 lb 3 oz. flounder. Weighed at Bill's Sport Shop.

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The last boat to arrive at the scale of the 2014 Ocean City Shark Tournament was the "Keep Er' Wet" with Nate Leader's 193 lb. mako shark, good enough to take over 2nd place in the Mako Division. Nate hooked the 82-inch mako on a whole bluefish in 23 fathoms at the Sausages while fishing with Jeremiah Leader, Joe Deinlein, Capt. Dave Sumpter and mate Brian Leader. Nate's 2nd place finish earned the team \$6,660 in award money. Pictured at the Ocean City Fishing Center.



Blake McGrath muscled in this 346 lb. thresher shark and won 1st place in the Open Division of the 2014 Ocean City Shark Tournament. Blake was fishing on the "Reel Instigator" with Bob Sawyer, Bill Oass and Dean Williams when the 13-foot male thresher ate a whole menhaden in 56.7-degree water at the Fingers. The "Reel Instigator" team took home \$5,850 for their 1st place finish. Pictured at the Ocean City Fishing Center.

34th Annual OCEAN CITY SHARK TOURNAMENT
MAY 29-31, 2014 RESULTS

18 Boats Entered
Total Prize Money \$43,320

MAKO DIVISION	OPEN DIVISION	RELEASE DIVISION	YOUTH DIVISION
1st Place Sean Hogan "Sweetie" 314 lbs. \$10,170	1st Place Blake McGrath "Reel Instigator" 346 lb. Thresher \$5,850	1st Place "Nontypical" 47 Points \$8,226	1st Place Evan Carman "All Hooked Up" \$500
2nd Place Nate Leader "Keep'Er Wet" 193 lbs. \$6,660	2nd Place Mike Kreiser "Teaser" 203 lb. Thresher \$3,240	2nd Place "Absolute Pleasure" 21 Points \$5,364	2nd Place Jimmy Tippet "Absolute Pleasure" \$250
			3rd Place Noah Morris "Intimidator" Rod & Reel



The team on the "Nontypical" took top honors in the Release Division of the 2014 Ocean City Shark Tournament with 47 points accumulated from releases of 4 mako sharks, 9 sandbars and 13 blue sharks during their 2 days of fishing in 25 fathoms, inshore of the Washington Canyon. Fishing with Capt. Terry Layton was Jim Hughes, Tim McGuire, Andy Smelter and Jeff Greenwood (not pictured). The "Nontypical" team took home \$8,226 for their 1st place finish.



Evan Carman of Snow Hill, MD won Top Junior Angler honors in the 2014 Ocean City Shark Tournament with this 142 lb. blue shark caught while fishing on the "All Hooked Up" with Brian Thomas, Derek Demarr and Capt. Kevin Thomas. Evan hooked the shark on a whole mackerel inshore of the Poor Mans' Canyon and won \$500 for his 1st place finish. Pictured at the Ocean City Fishing Center.



On the final day of the 2014 Ocean City Shark Tournament, Mike Kreiser of Jonestown, PA captured this 203 lb. thresher shark to win 2nd place in the Open Division. Mike was fishing on the "Teaser" with Mike Miller, Eric Weaver, Robert Kreiser, Dave Sklareski, Sean Fisne, Joe Fisne and Capt. Rich Daiker. The thresher ate a whole bluefish just inside the Jackspot and earned the team \$3,240 in award money. Pictured at the Ocean City Fishing Center.

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Chum Lines

by Capt. Mark Sampson



If you've fished the Ocean City Inlet and around the Rt. 50 Bridge area lately, you know that there are plenty of bluefish around, and if the season goes the way the last few have, we'll also likely have bluefish in our nearshore ocean waters all summer.



But for some of us who remember how many big, 8 to 12 lb. bluefish there used to be, there seems to be a void in the ocean that just can't be filled by a lot of little snappers. And since it takes a little bluefish to make a big bluefish, it's painful to see folks not properly respecting the little guys we have swimming in our inshore waters right now. It also reminds me of something I witnessed a few years ago...

"They're just bluefish," the kid said to me as he stuffed another two-pound snapper headfirst into the electric meat grinder. "And when I'm finished they're going to be a bucketful of chum".

The boy was responding to the comment I'd made about it being a shame to see the waste of so many good fish. Apparently he had

caught about 20 bluefish at the inlet that morning (by the way that's 10 over the limit) and was quite pleased that his efforts provided him with just enough of what was now "bluefish burger" to fill a five gallon bucket.

"You going sharking tomorrow?" I asked. "No," he replied. "A guy who has a charter boat said he'd give me \$15 for every bucket of chum I could get him."

Remembering how, as a kid growing up on the docks, I had also done a lot of dumb and pretty short sighted things like making chum out of game fish, I didn't tell the kid what I really thought. Instead I gave him something to ponder by mentioning that I bet he'd really enjoy catching those same fish some day if they could have lived to grow to be 12 to 14 lbs. But he just shrugged, snapped a lid on the bucket, repeated "they're just bluefish," then shuffled down the dock to collect his cash.

They were "just bluefish" to us back in the 70's when the big choppers were always so abundant only a few miles offshore. From April through November, on just about any given day, anglers could troll-up virtually non-stop action a few miles offshore with fish

that averaged 8 to 12 lbs. There seemed to be such an endless supply of bluefish back then that few people saw reason to try and conserve them for the future, and the "choppers" too often ended up as chum, fertilizer, cat food or crab bait. I even remember selling them to local restaurants for a mere 15 cents a pound. White marlin have always been the glory fish for Ocean City's offshore anglers, but bluefish were the most consistent crowd-pleasers and the most sought after target of the ocean fishing fleet. But like anything else that comes too easy, our bluefish resources so often went abused and unappreciated until they were virtually gone.

To the young man trying to earn \$15 by selling a little chum, that bucket of 20 snapper blues may have represented nothing more than an hour of fishing down at the inlet and a little time on the grinder, but had those fish been allowed the chance to grow to maturity, they would have been so much more to so many people. Twenty big bluefish can be enough to make for a very successful day for six anglers aboard a charter or private boat. Twenty big bluefish could send 8 to 10 surfcasters home with wonderful memories of an exciting day on the beach or provide a summer's worth of bait for the average shark fisherman. Twenty big bluefish could feed sixty

people, provide hundreds of catch-and-release opportunities for anglers of all ages and skill levels and produce millions of eggs to help perpetuate the species for our grandchildren's children. Or on the flip-side, 20 small bluefish can provide a kid who doesn't know any better with enough money to buy a new CD and get a captain a cheap bucket of chum.

Catching bait can be a lot of fun but and a great way to save or even make a little money, and there's nothing wrong with that. But just because a particular fish seems plentiful and easy to catch doesn't mean that it's okay to "load-up" on them to use as bait or chum. Particularly when there are other alternatives in the coolers and freezers of local bait shops.

No matter what the species or the size, game fish are too valuable a resource to be exploited rather than cherished and protected. Those of us who remember how it was, know that they're not "just bluefish". They're reminders of how good things were, and how good they can be again if we don't repeat mistakes of the past.

Captain Mark Sampson is an outdoor writer and captain of the charter boat "Fish Finder", docked at the Ocean City Fishing Center.

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Jimmy Tippett won 2nd place in the Junior Angler Division of the 2014 Ocean City Shark Tournament with releases of 4 blue sharks and a mako. Jimmy was fishing on the "Absolut Pleasure" with Bill Sauer, Bill Zimmerman, Jamie Romero, his mom, Dana and dad, Lee, Capt. Willie Zimmerman and mate Justin Hart. For his 2nd place finish, Jimmy took home \$250 in award money.



Anglers on the "Absolut Pleasure" won 2nd place in the Release Division of the 2014 Ocean City Shark Tournament with 3 mako releases and 9 blue shark releases during their 2 days on the water. Fishing on the "Absolut Pleasure" was Bill Zimmerman, Lee, Dana and Jimmy Tippett (all pictured), Bill Sauer, Jamie Romero, Capt. Willie Zimmerman and mate Justin Hart. The team won \$5,364 for their 2nd place finish.



Dasha Lentz from Alltackle Ocean City showed her husband, John how it is done, landing this 42-inch, 21 lb. striped bass while fishing with sand fleas off Assateague Island.

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On the last day of the 2014 Ocean City Shark Tournament, Charles DeWitt from Masontown, WV is all smiles after landing this 170 lb. mako shark while fishing on the charter boat, "Restless Lady" with Jim and Crystal Garber, Sean, Ricky and Rick DeWitt, Capt. Todd Kurtz and mate Will Hathaway. The 80-inch mako ate a bluefish and mackerel fillet combination at the Chicken Bone and was weighed at the Ocean City Fishing Center.

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by Mama Jock



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2 tsp. dry mustard
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1 tsp. dried basil
½ tsp. ground chipotle chili
2 tsp. salt
4 tuna steaks (1 ½ in thick)
2 tsp. canola oil
2 medium oranges, sliced

Make the rub in a small bowl by mixing the first 8 ingredients. Pat the spice rub all over the tuna steaks.

Cover and refrigerate one hour before grilling.

Preheat the grill to be very

hot.

Drizzle the tuna and orange slices with oil.

Place the tuna on direct high heat.

Place the oranges to the side at medium heat.

Sear the tuna first side 2 minutes, turn over and sear the other side 1 minute.

Remove both the oranges and tuna and arrange on platter.

Serves 4.

Scallops with Creamy Tomato Sauce

½ stick butter
2 cloves garlic, minced
1 shallot, minced
1 ½ cups chopped tomatoes, canned (drained) or fresh

1 tsp. sherry or balsamic vinegar

Salt and pepper, to taste

1 tsp. minced fresh tarragon or ½ tsp. dried

1 lb. large sea scallops

1 to 2 TBSP. olive oil

Fresh basil, for garnish if desired

Melt half the butter in a small saucepan; cook the garlic and shallot, until softened.

Add the tomatoes, cook for 10 minutes.

Add the vinegar, salt, pepper, tarragon and the remaining butter.

Cool slightly; puree in a blender and keep warm.

Heat a 12-inch skillet over high heat until smoking.

While it heats, place the scallops on a plate and drizzle them with olive oil.

Add the scallops, one at a time; turn as they brown, allowing about 2 minutes per side (do not cook through).

Pour a little sauce onto each of four plates and top with the scallops and basil.

Serves 4.

diced
1 small red onion, finely diced

½ cup coarsely chopped fresh cilantro

2 fresh jalapeno chili peppers, stemmed, diced crosswise into thin circles

2 cups bottled clam juice

1 tsp. salt, to taste

Romaine or lettuce leaves

Corn tortilla chips

Dice sea bass into ½-inch cubes and place in shallow glass dish.

Add ½ cup lime juice and toss to coat evenly.

Marinate for 30-45 minutes.

Drain fish and return to shallow dish.

Add the tomato, onion, cilantro, chilies, clam juice, salt and remaining ¼ cup lime juice.

Stir ingredients well; cover and refrigerate for 1 to 2 hours.

Serve in tall chilled goblets or shallow bowls lined with either romaine or lettuce leaves with tortilla chips around edge.

Spoon ceviche on top of fillet cubes.

Serves 6.

Sea Bass Ceviche with Lime and Cilantro

1 lb. sea bass fillet
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 Salt and pepper to taste
 2 to 3 TBSP. balsamic or
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 1 shallot, minced
 1 tsp. Dijon mustard
 5 large tomatoes, cut into
 chunks
 20 fresh basil leaves,
 roughly chopped
 1 lb. penne or other pasta
 of your choice

Bring a large pot of boiling water for the pasta.

Light your gas grill.

Brush the shrimp with about a ¼ cup of the olive oil and sprinkle them with salt and pepper.

Mix together the remaining olive oil, 2 TBSP. of vinegar, shallot and mustard.

Taste and add more vinegar if needed.

Set the tomatoes in a large bowl to marinate with the vinaigrette and basil.

Grill the shrimp over high

heat until they turn pink, 3 or 4 minutes on each side.

Cook the pasta according to directions.

Drain and toss with the tomatoes, top with the grilled shrimp and serve.

Serves 4.

Flounder with Sauteed Vegetables

1 stick butter
 ¼ cup lemon juice
 1 medium onion, chopped
 2 green or red peppers, cut
 into pieces
 2 medium zucchini, diced
 2 large flounder fillets

In large skillet, melt the butter and lemon juice; add the vegetables. They should cover the entire bottom of the skillet.

Cook until the veggies almost done.

Add the fillets to the skillet, turning once during the cooking

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Abe Franco and Avi Perez, both from Silver Spring, MD took advantage of the good bluefish bite on the south side of the Rt. 50 Bridge, landing 18 on Gotcha plugs. The action was hot during the outgoing tide, ending at 2:30 in the morning. Their largest bluefish measured 24-inches.

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Robert Knife from Norristown, PA was fishing off the Rt. 50 Bridge during the incoming tide when he hooked this 36-inch striper on a Lunker shad. Photo courtesy of Oyster Bay Tackle.

process and may be broken up into chunks to absorb even more of the juices.

Use a fork to check if fish is done.

Serve with a generous topping of vegetables and sauce.

You can enlarge or reduce this recipe for your needs.

Serves 4 to 6.

Grilled Shrimp with Melon and Pineapple Salsa

- 1 lb. shrimp, peeled and deveined
- 2 TBSP. canola oil, divided
- 2 tsp. finely grated fresh ginger, divided
- 2 tsp. minced seeded jalapeno, divided
- 2 cloves minced garlic
- 2 cups finely diced firm ripe melon
- 1 cup finely diced fresh pineapple
- ¼ cup finely diced red bell pepper
- ¼ cup finely diced green

- pepper
- ¼ cup finely diced red onion
- 3 TBSP. rice vinegar
- 2 TBSP. fresh mint finely chopped
- ½ tsp. salt
- 4 large lettuce leaves
- 4 lime wedges

Combine shrimp, 1 TBSP. oil, 1 tsp. ginger, garlic and 1 tsp. jalapeno in medium bowl.

Cover and refrigerate 4 hours or up to 24.

Combine melon through salt in large bowl with the remaining 1 TBSP. oil, 1 tsp. ginger and 1 tsp. jalapeno.

Refrigerate until cold, about 30 minutes or up to 4 hours.

Twenty minutes before serving, heat grill to high.

Thread shrimp on skewers.

Grill until pink, 2 to 3 minutes per side.

When cool enough to handle, slide the shrimp off the skewers.

Arrange 1 large lettuce leaf on each plate.

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Spoon salsa onto the leaf and top with the shrimp.

Garnish with lime wedges.

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Weakfish Roasted with Tomatoes

1 weakfish, scaled, gutted and head removed

Salt and pepper, to taste

Olive oil

1 cup scallions, minced, use both green and white parts

2 tsp. garlic, minced

1 cup cilantro, minced

3 cups seeded and diced tomatoes, fresh or canned(drained)

½ cup dry white wine

Preheat oven to 450 degrees.

Cut 3 or 4 vertical gashes on each side of the fish.

Sprinkle with salt and pepper.

Brush a baking pan with olive oil and place the fish on it.

Mix together all but 1 TBSP.

of the scallions, garlic, ¾ cup of cilantro and the tomatoes; season all with salt and pepper.

Stuff the fish with half of the mixture and spread the rest over the top.

Pour the wine around the fish.

Roast for 20 to 30 minutes, basting occasionally with the pan juices.

The fish is done when it begins to flake and is almost opaque clear to the bone.

Do not overcook, weakfish will not become stark white.

Serve, spooning any remaining pan juices over the fish and garnishing with reserved scallions and cilantro.

Serves 4.

If you would like to share your favorite seafood recipes with fellow Coastal Fisherman readers, you can email them to Mama Jock at MaureenJock@comcast.net. All of Mama Jock's past recipes can be found at www.coastalfisherman.net.



Nathan Allison from Fairfax, VA used a live minnow to fool this 25-inch, 5 lb. 4 oz. speckled trout while fishing in the Fenwick Ditch with Jim Angus. Weighed at Fenwick Tackle.

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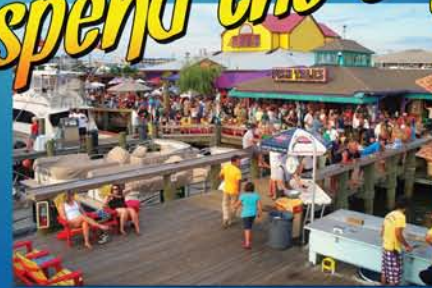
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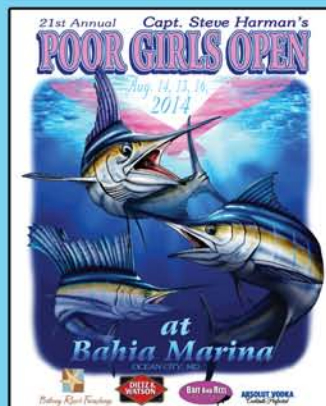
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Justin Hallacher, Don Hallacher and Chris Raezer were casting Storm shads from the North Jetty at the Indian River Inlet when they connected with these stripers weighing 11 lbs. 8 oz., 14 lbs. 15 oz. and 15 lbs. 13 oz. Weighed at Lewes Harbour Marina.



Frank Lanigan found clean water in the Ocean City Inlet and captured this 23 3/4-inch, 5 lb. flounder while drifting shiners. He also had 2 throwback flatties during the trip.



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Whale, White



Derek Swafford, Zachary Morris and Jonathon McCabe casted Bass Assassins at the Cape May/Lewes Ferry Jetty in the Delaware Bay and hooked 3 weakfish weighing 4 lbs. 10 oz., 5 lbs. 2 oz. and 5 lbs. 11 oz. on the scale at Lewes Harbour Marina.



Dennis Jenkins, Sha Jamison, Deon Brooks, Darryl Brooks and Darryl Stevens caught their limit of 75 sea bass and 10 tautog while fishing on the charter boat, "Fish Bound" with Capt. Kane Bounds and mate Kevin Twilley. All of the fish were caught on clams and Gulp! Swimming Mulletts on rocky bottom, north of the Jackspot. Pictured at Bahia Marina.



The first bigeye tuna of the season came in on May 25th when the anglers on the "Seaduction" headed to the 461 Lump and returned with a pair weighing 81 and 86 lbs. Pictured are Matt, Jacquelyn and Bob Keeney, Frank Goodhart and Corey Cavell, all from Lititz, PA. Pictured at Sunset Marina.



Tim Auman from Harrisburg, PA was casting a fly in the Indian River Inlet when he hooked into this 24-inch flounder that tipped the scale at 5 lbs. 5 oz. Weighed at Hook'em & Cook'em.



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Species	2014	2013	Species	2014	2013
Sea Bass 	May 19, 2014 Ki Kim "Fish Bound" 2nd Lump	January 8, 2013 Mike Behney Cape May Rocks	Mako Shark 	May 9, 2014 Hayden Christoff "Restless Lady" Poor Man's Canyon	May 10, 2013 Wayne Mull "Restless Lady" Baltimore Canyon
Tautog 	January 1, 2014 Si Chiarizia "Morning Star" Artificial Reef	January 1, 2013 Mike Acito "Morning Star" Artificial Reef	White Marlin 	None Reported	June 15, 2013 Tim Hawn "No Quarter" Poor Man's Canyon
Striped Bass 	January 2, 2014 Karl Hoelper 130th Street Surf Ocean City	January 1, 2013 Charlie Sitskorn "Slack Grabber" Little Fenwick	Blue Marlin 	None Reported	June 21, 2013 Adam Waddell & Keith Cook "Muff Diver" Baltimore Canyon
Weakfish 	April 22, 2014 Tom Burke Broadkill Beach	April 28, 2013 Joel Robinson Lewes Beach	Bluefin Tuna 	May 19, 2014 Ed Comley "Out-Rea-Geous" Baltimore Canyon	May 12, 2013 Chris Gaba "Hook'n Up" Baltimore Canyon
Flounder 	January 3, 2014 Stanley He "Morning Star" Artificial Reef	April 1, 2013 Kevin Weber "Patty Wagon" Sinepuxent Bay	Yellowfin Tuna 	May 18, 2014 Tim McGuire "Nontypical" Balt/Wilm Canyon	May 17, 2013 Kenny Twilley "Muff Diver" Baltimore Canyon
Bluefish 	May 7, 2014 Big Bird Cropper South Jetty	April 21, 2013 Noah Graulich Cape Henlopen State Park	Longfin Tuna 	None Reported	June 14, 2013 Tom Ciconte "Tressa Lynn" Baltimore Canyon
Black Drum 	April 9, 2014 Bill Powell Assateague Surf	April 11, 2013 Bill Powell Assateague Surf	Bigeye Tuna  NEW	May 27, 2014 Frank Goodhart "Seaduction" 461 Lump	June 10, 2013 Phillip Seidenstricker "Reel Addiction" Baltimore Canyon
Sheepshead 	May 26, 2014 Rob Antonucci "OC Guide Service" Assateague Bridge	June 10, 2013 Capt. Chase Eberle "Flounder Pounder" Ocean City Inlet	Dolphin 	None Reported	May 13, 2013 DJ BK "Salty Sons" Norfolk Canyon
Thresher Shark 	May 17, 2014 Joseph Foley "Just Right V" "DB" Buoy	May 26, 2013 Charlie Lutes "Shark Killer" Fingers	Wahoo 	None Reported	June 23, 2013 Brandon Cassady "Ridin' Thirty" Baltimore Canyon

For a copy of this page or to report your catch, call the Coastal Fisherman at 410-213-2200



Pete Renzi from West Ocean City, MD was fishing on the "Martini Time" with Chuck Wenzel when he boated this 18-inch flounder in the Thorofare. Pete hooked the flattie on a red jighead tipped with a white Gulp! Swimming Mullet.



Rhett Passwaters used a Spro bucktail tipped with a Gulp! artificial bait to hook this 22-inch Lewes Canal flattie. Photo courtesy of Lewes Harbour Marina.



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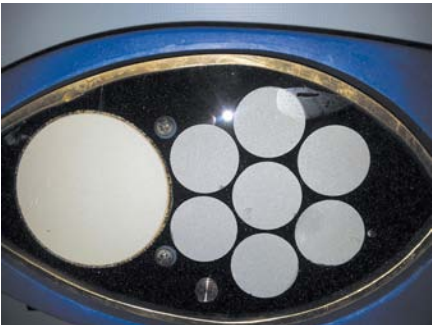
Our favorite fishfinders, sonar, bottom machines, depth finders, sounders... whatever we call them, all operate using a transducer. The transducer is in contact with the sea water below the boat and plays a major role in the quality of picture received on the sounder display. Transducers come in many different sizes, types and mounting styles. Picking the correct unit for your boat and sounder display can be difficult, costly and confusing. This article will help you understand the basics of the types, sizes and mounting styles of transducers and make your next purchase a little easier.

Basic Operation and Types

Inside a transducer is a single ceramic element or multiple ceramic elements,

called Piezoceramic elements. These elements are tuned to operate on a certain frequency, such as the traditional 50 kHz or 200 kHz. The low frequency of 50 kHz is used to read deep water, while the higher 200 kHz provides greater resolution in shallower water. Some transducers only operate at single frequency so if you wanted both 50 kHz and 200 kHz you would need to purchase and install two separate transducers. Most transducers have both 50 kHz and 200 kHz elements contained in one housing, allowing a single transducer to operate at either or both frequencies at the same time if desired. CHIRP transducers operate over a range of frequencies "sweeping" across the ranges above. The performance of transducers varies with the size

and quantity of the ceramic elements inside the transducer. Higher wattage, high performance transducers have multiple elements inside the housing. The picture below shows the internals of an Airmar B260 with 7 elements for 50 kHz and one large broadband element for 200kHz.



Below is a picture of the three elements inside of the B164 tilted transducer, it is capable of handing 1000 watts of power at 50kHz or 200kHz.



There are two related size measurements for transducers. One is physical dimensions and the other is power handling, rated in watts for traditional transducers. Generally, a higher wattage transducer is physically larger than a smaller one. The size of your boat and the available access in the mounting location are often the determining factor on what size transducer you can install. Cost is also a factor, with the largest transducers costing at least a few thousand dollars. The transducer also has to be compatible with the display hardware. Make sure you check with the manufacturer who often has a list of compatible transducers to choose from. For example, the popular 600 watt, B744V thru-hull transducer is 5.5" long, while the 2,000 watt, R99 thru-hull transducer is 22" long. Another example is the tilted element style, 600 watt, B60 transducer that is 3 1/2" in diameter while the 1,000 watt B164 transducer

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Bluefish	34"	14 lbs. or 33"	Hammerhead *	Any Size	100 lbs. or 66"
Blue Marlin **	Any Size	Any Size	Mako *	Any Size	100 lbs. or 66"
Cobia	44"	-	Thresher *	Any Size	100 lbs. or 66"
Croaker	18"	3 lbs. or 19"	Tiger *	Any Size	100 lbs. or 66"
Dolphin	45"	15 lbs. or 41"	Swordfish	Any Size	Any Size
Flounder	24"	7 lbs. or 25"	Tautog	24"	7 lbs. or 25"
Golden Tilefish	35"	35 lbs. or 40"	Tuna:		
Kingfish (Northern Whiting)	14"	1 lb. or 13"	Longfin Albacore	36"	30 lbs. or 32"
King Mackerel	40"	10 lbs. or 36"	False Albacore	24"	12 lbs. or 26"
Red Drum *	36"	45"	Bigeye ***	60"	70 lbs. or 48"
Sailfish *	Any Size	-	Bluefin ***	55"	100 lbs. or 60"
Sea Bass	20"	3 lbs. or 17"	Yellowfin ***	50"	70 lbs. or 48"
Sheepshead	20"	8 lbs. or 22"	Wahoo	60"	20 lbs. or 50"
Spanish Mackerel	22"	5 lbs. or 22"	Weakfish	24"	3 lbs. or 20"
Speckled Trout	24"	-	White Marlin **	Any Size	Any Size
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Chris Graham from Windsor, PA fought this 140 lb. mako shark to the death while fishing with Marc Spagnola and Steve Graham. The mako ate a whole bunker in 56-degree water at the Sausages and was weighed at Ake Marine.

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Species	Ocean City	Delaware	Species	Ocean City	Delaware
Sea Bass 	May 23, 2014 Tom Lane "Morning Star" 4 lbs. 8 oz.	NEW May 30, 2014 Adam May "Katydid" 4 lbs. 15 oz.	Mako Shark <i>100 lb. minimum</i> 	NEW May 30, 2014 Sean Hogan Baltimore Canyon 314 lbs.	May 18, 2014 Jake Blair Marine Electric 88.2 lbs.
Tautog 	February 9, 2014 Bob Rochelle "Morning Star" 19 lbs. 2 oz.	May 10, 2014 Paul Matthews Outer Wall 12 lbs. 13 oz.	Thresher Shark 	NEW May 31, 2014 Blake McGrath Fingers 346 lbs.	May 17, 2014 Joseph Foley DB Buoy 268.8 lbs.
Striped Bass 	May 19, 2014 Bob Murphy Assateague Surf 26 lbs. 9 oz.	May 21, 2014 John Green Indian River Inlet 31 lbs. 11 oz.	Bluefin Tuna 	May 21, 2014 Francois Aldrich Baltimore Canyon 202 lbs.	May 25, 2014 Geoff McCloskey Wilmington Canyon 114.5 lbs.
Weakfish 	May 17, 2014 Dave Watts Rt. 50 Bridge 8 lbs. 2 oz.	NEW May 26, 2014 Matthew Davis Broadkill Beach 7 lbs. 4 oz.	Yellowfin Tuna 	May 25, 2014 Leslie Helwig Balt/Wilm Canyon 57 lbs.	No Weights Reported
Speckled Trout 	No Weights Reported	May 25, 2014 Nathan Allison Fenwick Ditch 5 lbs. 4 oz.	Longfin Tuna 	No Weights Reported	No Weights Reported
Flounder 	May 17, 2014 Tom Yarko Thorofare 7 lbs. 7 oz.	May 3, 2014 Melanie Bowden Lewes Canal 7 lbs. 5 oz.	Bigeye Tuna 	No Weights Reported	No Weights Reported
Bluefish 	May 17, 2014 Ayrton Pryor Synepuxent Bay 8 lbs. 3 oz.	May 8, 2014 George Frigm Fenwick Surf 7 lbs. 8 oz.	Dolphin 	No Weights Reported	No Weights Reported
Sheepshead 	No Weights Reported	No Weights Reported	Wahoo 	No Weights Reported	No Weights Reported
Black Drum 	May 21, 2014 Marcus Crowley Assateague Surf 80 lbs.	May 25, 2014 Tom Newsham Broadkill Beach 86 lbs. 10 oz.	White Marlin 	Most Releases in One Day No Weights Reported No Weights Reported	

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The size of CHIRP transducers varies greatly based on performance and sensitivity.

Mounting styles

Popular mounting styles include thru-hull, in-hull, transom mount and other variations such as pocket mount and tilted element.

Thru-hull transducers require drilling a hole in the bottom of the boat to allow the external transducer body to connect to the inside of the boat. A pocket mount is similar, though the fiberglass on the bottom of the boat is modified by a professional to form a recessed pocket that allows the face of the transducer to be flush with the bottom of the hull, eliminating drag and turbulence which allows for better sounder performance. If a pocket is not used, a traditional thru-hull transducer is usually accompanied by a high speed fairing block. The plastic fairing block is shaped like an airplane wing designed to smooth out the water flow around the transducer, reducing drag and turbulence. This fairing block can be quite large and are usually suitable for larger boats, since the large size can detrimentally affect the handling of a smaller boat. Caution must be used when taking the boat out of the water to avoid damaging the exposed transducer.

The transom mount is the most popular transducer style, accommodating a wide range of boats sizes, types and materials. This mounting method does NOT require drilling a hole in the bottom of the boat. A mounting bracket is attached to the transom of the boat to allow the face of the transducer to be parallel with the bottom of the boat. The transducer wire usually runs up the transom and enters the boat above the waterline. This is the least expensive mounting style and popular with do-it-yourself boaters. Just because they are transom mounted does not mean quality needs to

suffer. The popular B260 is available in a TM260 transom mount model and the TM265 CHIRP transom transducer is also a very good unit. While a TM260/TM265 is a large piece of hardware hanging on the transom, it may be a reasonable choice for boats with limited interior hull access.

The Tilted Element style transducer has become very popular the last few years. While this is a thru-hull, it does not require a fairing block. This transducer is installed flush against the bottom of the hull and is internally compensated to match the angle of the hull, allowing the sound waves to travel perpendicular to the surface of the water. This is a transducer that is great for boats that are trailered, sit on a boat lift or stored using a forklift service. Large boat owners also use this style due to the reduced drag and ease of installation.

The final, common type of installation is the in-hull tank mount. This is only suitable for boats with a solid fiberglass hull. The transducers sound waves can travel through a solid hull and into the water with only a slight loss of performance. This installation requires a liquid filled tank attached and sealed to the inside of the hull. The transducer is mounted inside this tank and then filled with fluid such as propylene glycol. Since this can be installed from inside the boat, it can be done while the boat is in the water keeping the installation cost lower than the traditional thru-hull installation method.

Learning about the different types of transducers and installation methods allows you to make an educated decision on the best option for your boat and sounder hardware.

Captain Steve Katz is the owner of Steve's Marine Service and holds NMEA MEI, AMEI, NMEA2000 certificates, ABYC Master Technician certification and factory training from many manufacturers.

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Virginia Fishing Report

by Dr. Julie Ball
I.G.F.A. Representative



As we slide into the month of June, the summer fishing season is off to a good start, with anglers hitting the water in force over the Memorial Day weekend with some good results.

Much of the attention is directed towards the new influx of cobia. Most of these fish are on the smaller side, but the bigger fish are not far behind as schools of hefty cobia continue to trek this way from the south. Meanwhile, hoards of 30 to 40-pounders are showing up all over the lower Chesapeake Bay, but hooking them is a challenge right now as sightcasters are reporting that the fish are very finicky. Chummers are experiencing similar results, with the most predictable numbers coming from off Grandview and Bluefish Rock last week.

Red drum are still

providing plenty of action right now. Depending on the conditions, boats are releasing bulls, measuring up to over 50-inches, from the seaside of Fisherman's Island and the Nautilus Shoal areas. One boat chumming off of Bluefish Rock also experienced some luck when angler Scott Misner of Hampton, VA was fishing aboard the "Reel Fishy" when he released a nice red measuring 48-inches last week.

Black drum are still taking clam offerings, mostly near Buoys 13 and 16 off the Eastern Shore, with most fish still averaging under 30-pounds. These fish will begin moving to the islands of the Bay Bridge-Tunnel soon.

Flounder pounders continue to work hard in the Bay for their bounties, with a few big fish rounding out catches. Most flatfish are still

coming from drifting strip baits in lower Chesapeake Bay and Eastern Shore inlets and shallows, with several fish pushing to well over 20-inches. Drifters are thrilled that the flatfish bite really took off in Lynnhaven River last week, with the outgoing tide providing the best quantities.

Some croaker, spot and nice-sized bluefish are still available within local inlets.

Pier anglers along the oceanfront are picking through a few small flounder, small croaker, sea mullet and bluefish.

Reports of speckled trout and big puppy drum are still coming from within Rudee, Lynnhaven, and Little Creek Inlets, and specks are also faring well from within Mobjack Bay for release action. A few grey trout are still biting in the Rudee Inlet, but this

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action has slowed considerably.

Croaker continue to present an easy target with good hauls of hardheads now coming from all over the lower Chesapeake Bay, with squid and bloodworms working well.

Spadefish are next on the list. Spades are biting around the Chesapeake Bay Bridge Tunnel (CBBT) and the Chesapeake Light Tower, but the action is inconsistent. This will improve once the water warms a bit. Sheepshead action is also beginning to heat up in many of the same areas, but the best is yet to come with these tricky bait-stealers.

Striped bass are still available via live-baiting over the tubes and near the rocks of the artificial islands of the CBBT, as well as at the curve approaching the 3rd Island, but most folks aren't interested. Check the regulations if you target these fish. Watch for Spanish mackerel to debut along the shorelines off Virginia Beach soon.

For those venturing a little further offshore, jumbo sea



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5/19 - 9/18 & 10/18 - 12/31



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BLACK DRUM

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1 per person/day



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37" minimum
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RED DRUM

18" - 26" 3 per person/day



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28" 2 per person 5/16 - 12/31



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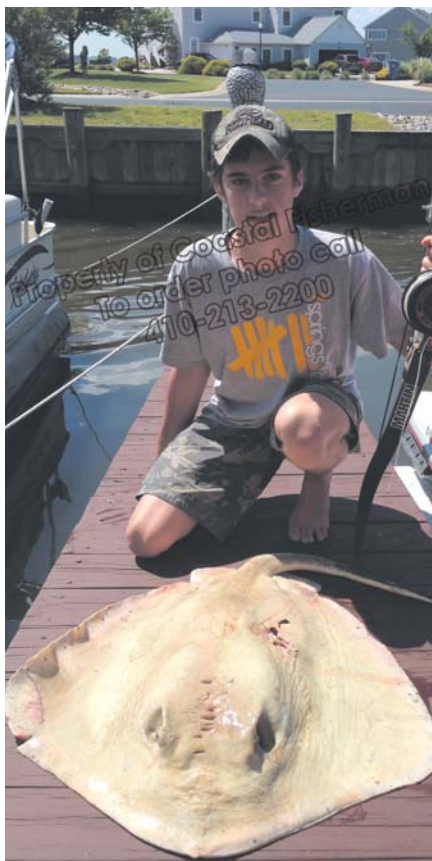
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bass are biting on some deeper wrecks and structures. The Triangle Wreck area is a popular sea bass destination this time of year, but finding a wreck that has not been picked over can be a challenge.

Further out, deep dropping species are also a good choice. Recent trips targeting the ocean floor near the Norfolk Canyon has produced plenty of blueline tilefish, with a smattering of golden tilefish, grouper, wreckfish and black bellied rosefish.

Offshore, warm water is moving into range for longer trips from Virginia. A few catches of nice gaffer dolphin, bluefin tuna, yellowfin tuna and mako sharks are rewarding those making the run. This action will improve as the season progresses.

Dr. Julie Ball is the I.G.F.A. representative for Virginia Beach, VA. For information, go to www.drjball.com.



Tyler Case of Elkridge, MD was bowfishing off his family's pontoon boat when he shot this Southern stingray in the bay behind Assateague Island. Tyler used his Martin recurve bow to kill the estimated 70 lb. ray.



When Terry Koshi heads across the Virginia line, it usually means that some unsuspecting flounder is going to end up in her cooler, which is exactly what happened to this 21-inch while Terry was drifting live minnows dressed up with a pink skirt in Folley Creek.

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Thurs. June 5 First Quarter	Low 07:59 am Low 08:13 pm	High 01:43 am High 02:20 pm
Fri. June 6	Low 08:42 am Low 09:10 pm	High 02:34 am High 03:19 pm
Sat. June 7	Low 09:27 am Low 10:08 pm	High 03:29 am High 04:16 pm
Sun. June 8	Low 10:15 am Low 11:06 pm	High 04:22 am High 05:08 pm
Mon. June 9	Low 11:04 am Low -----	High 05:13 am High 05:58 pm
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