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On the final day of the 16th Annual Capt. Steve Harman's Poor Girls' Open, Angela Keith landed a 31.6 lb. dolphin to win 1st place in the Dolphin Division and Kim Willey caught a 21.2 pounder to take 3rd place, both while fishing on the "Predator" with Adel Dukes-Melson, Sharon Branthover, Allyson Airey, Cathy Germann, Capt. Howard Lynch and Mates Jul Airey and Donnie Moore. The dolphin, along with white marlin releases by Adel and Sharon, were hooked on trolled ballyhoo in the Spencer Canyon. The "Predator" team took home \$9,222 for their 1st and 3rd place finishes. Pictured at Bahia Marina.

Double Lines

by Dale Timmons



Talked with Capt. Willie Zimmerman of the "Playmate" one day last week. A few days earlier, anglers on the "Playmate" scored a "Grand Slam" by catching and releasing a blue marlin, a white marlin and a spearfish. The last fish is not the same roundscale spearfish that is most often confused with white marlin. No, this is a small billfish called the longbill spearfish. Anglers are prohibited from keeping the longbill spearfish nowadays, but years ago I photographed several of them that were brought in, usually for taxidermy because they were so unusual. Some anglers confuse the longbill spearfish with the shortbill spearfish and/or the Mediterranean spearfish, but according to my

McClane's New Standard Fishing Encyclopedia, the Mediterranean only occurs in areas in or around the Mediterranean Sea and the eastern Atlantic, while the shortbill is a Pacific species, so the only one we have in this area of the Western Atlantic is the longbill. As the name suggests, the upper jaw (bill) is visibly longer than the lower jaw, though not as much in adults as in young fish. The longbill spearfish is the smallest of spearfishes, rarely getting more than 40 or 50 pounds, according to McClane's, while the shortbill and the Mediterranean can reach 90 to 100 pounds. Most of the ones I have seen weighed something like 15 to 25 pounds, and I remember a couple of double headers,

including one boat that had two during the White Marlin Open one year. Longbill spearfish are very slender and appear almost silver after they are dead, but Capt. Zimmerman and others who have caught them say they "light up" with brilliant color even more than marlin when pursuing a bait, to the point where their bill even changes color. They have a long dorsal fin, which stretches from just behind the head almost to the tail. This time of year, when the water is at its warmest, is when most of them will be caught in this area, and when they show up, it is not unusual for several boats to see or catch one. Congratulations on the Slam, Willie...



Several weeks ago I published an e-mail from Joe O'Hara of Ocean Pines to officials at the Marine Recreational Fisheries Statistical Survey (MRFSS). Mr. O'Hara brought up several concerns about the MRFSS, especially when it came to

summer flounder catch statistics. Dr. Steven Murawski of the MRFSS program has now replied to Joe's e-mail, and I received a copy of that reply. Without going into all of the details, Dr. Murawski's reply was very polite, but it seems to me that this is another case of two statisticians using the same numbers to reach very different conclusions. The basic premise, however, upon which everything else is based, is the "catch effort", which is the number of "angler trips", and in the case of Maryland, that includes all of the trips on Chesapeake Bay, most of which have nothing to do with summer flounder. In 2008, for instance, the MRFSS estimate was 3,393,181 angler trips, with 967,866 of those attributed to private/rental boats, and we were charged with harvesting 89,728 summer flounder. The point Joe and I, among others, have tried to make is that since most summer flounder in Maryland

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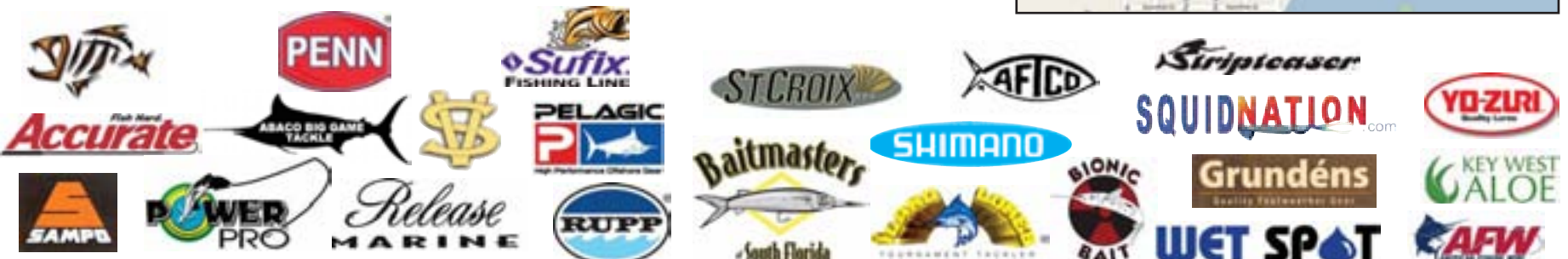
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Justin Wilmas of Palm Harbor, FL, Jason Walter of Berlin, MD and Mike Damskey of Emmitsburg, MD boated these 3 dolphin while trolling skirted ballyhoo west of the Chicken Bone. The anglers were fishing on the "Lady L" with Capt. Dave Walter.



Bill Oass of Berlin, MD caught this 27-inch flounder while drifting a bucktail tipped with a shiner in the East Channel. Bill was fishing on the "Real Freak" and weighed the 7 lb. 4 oz. flounder at Ake Marine.

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Evan Alderfer and Dakota Bittner caught these dolphin while trolling ballyhoo at the Hambone aboard the "On the Rocks". Pictured at Bahia Marina.



Nathan Boucher of Louisville, KY caught a 5 lb. sea bass during a trip aboard the "Angler" with Debbie Annack of Laurel, DE, Chuck Harvey of Philadelphia, PA, Raup Richard of Edgewater, MD, Capt. Chris Mizurak and Mates Matt Temple and Dean Lo. Pictured at Capt. Bill Bunting's Angler Dock.

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Double Lines continued: are caught in the coastal bays around Ocean City, these numbers are almost physically impossible, let alone highly improbable, but because Chesapeake Bay numbers are thrown into the mix, we are getting charged with inflated catches. The only hope we have, I guess, is that the MRFSS program is being replaced by the new Marine Recreational Information Program (MRIP) sometime soon, and Dr. Murawski's answer says that "Since 2006, we have been working collaboratively with our state agency partners, recreational anglers, representatives of various stakeholder groups, and a number of expert consultants through the MRIP to evaluate our current sampling and estimation methods, identify and test possible methodological improvements, and implement an improved survey program that will better meet current requirements for accurate stock assessments and

effective fisheries management." That sounds hopeful. My main question, however, is that if the same folks who have been running the MRFSS program are going to be in charge of the MRIP, will anything really change? Perhaps fishermen, and even the fishery, would be better served if we just threw out the whole numbers and statistics quagmire and let the marine biologists tell us what catch and creel limits would allow us to fish and still maintain a healthy flounder population. A science based size and creel limit would definitely be cheaper, eliminate a whole bureaucracy, and allow the average Joe to go fishing and maybe bring home dinner once in a while. Of course that won't happen. Towards the end of his response, Dr. Murawski stated, "We recognize that the estimates we produce are used in management decisions that can have real impacts on individuals and communities, and we are striving through

MRIP to provide statistics through the most scientifically sound, efficient, transparent and engaged means possible." As one of those individuals living in one of those communities, I just hope he means what he says...



Fishermen have to be opportunists. In other words, we have to take what Mother Nature offers. I took two of the grandkids out in the bay one morning last week, and they caught small sea bass, croakers and some nice Norfolk spot. While everything else was released, the spot went into the cooler and later the freezer for "Pop Pop's bait". Can you believe it's almost September and time to chase red drum? Anyway, most of the spot this year have been "hand sized" — good for cut bait for reds but a little too big for good flounder baits, so some of the more successful flounder anglers have switched to live finger mullet or peanut bunker. I even tied some special rigs with lighter wire/smaller

hooks for a captain friend of mine who has been using the small bunker successfully. Another example of how things can change from one year to the next has been the kingfish, or lack of them. Last year we had quite a few kings (sea mullet) in the surf, but this year for some reason they seemed to stay down south or didn't move inshore. There have been a few showing up lately, and we could still get a late run, but many kingfish anglers I know have been disappointed this summer. Others have simply switched to slightly smaller hooks and actually targeted the bigger spot, which have also been in the suds. Granted, they don't eat quite as good as a kingfish, but scaled, head and tailed and fried nice and crisp, they ain't bad...



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Milton Crim of Ocean City, MD caught this 15.1 lb. black drum while fishing at the South Jetty using sand fleas for bait. Weighed at Ake Marine.



Joe Sbriglia of Ocean City, MD landed this 66.5 lb. yellowfin tuna while fishing on the "Sea Witch" with Capt. Tim Mullray. Joe hooked the yellowfin on a skirted ballyhoo in 100 fathoms in the Poor Man's Canyon. Weighed at White Marlin Marina.

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Ocean City Fishing Report

by Larry Jock



It was a tough week of fishing, especially offshore, with fish scattered up and down the line.

The Poor Girls' Open was another successful event with 435 lady anglers competing for \$83,875 in award money.

The first day only saw 10 boats fish. Action was slow at the scales, but the "Billfisher" did release 4 white marlin near the Rockpile to take the early lead in the Billfish Division. Several other boats released 2 white marlin. A few dolphin were landed, with the "Marlin Magic" catching five in the Wilmington Canyon that weighed between 10.2 and 14.2 lbs.

Day 2 started with a bang when Karen Peet on the "Pumpin' Hard 66" threw a 57.4 lb. yellowfin on the scale. This fish held on to take 1st place in the Tuna Division. The "Muff Diver" was next at the scale, weighing a 21.4 lb. dolphin, caught in 50 fathoms on the southern end of the Poor Man's Canyon. This fish ended the tournament in 2nd place in the Dolphin Division. The "Moore Bills" weighed a 50.8 lb. yellowfin, and ended up winning 3rd place in the Tuna Division. The yellowfin was



This crew of Ocean City paramedics and firefighters had a great time fishing on the "Ebb Tide" with Capt. Butch Gee and Mates Billy and Chris Gee. Keith Goldsborough muscled in this 41 lb. wahoo while fishing with Mike Ellingsworth, Tim Peters, Glenn Baublitz, Darrick Elliott and Zach Tyndall. The wahoo was caught on a skirted ballyhoo in 35 fathoms outside the Hot Dog while the two dolphin were hooked inside the northeast tip of the Hot Dog. Pictured at Bahia Marina.

caught on a ballyhoo at the Rockpile. The rest of the day at the scales was dominated by dolphin, with a couple of yellowfin sprinkled in. The

"Reel Toy" did release 3 white marlin to take over the 2nd place spot in the Billfish Division.

The third day of the tournament saw a lot of leaderboard changes. The "Bali-Who" released 4 white marlin in 35 fathoms near the Rockpile and held on to win 3rd place in the Billfish Division. The "D.A. Sea" ventured up to the Spencer Canyon and released 2 blue

marlin and 2 white marlin, winning the "Billfish Division" with 420 points. Mary McKinney on the "Reel Desire" weighed a 57 lb. yellowfin, winning 2nd place in the Tuna Division. This fish was also caught in the Spencer Canyon. The "Predator" threw a couple of big dolphin on the scale and captured 1st place with a 31.6 pounder and 3rd place with a mahi that tipped the scales at 21.2 lbs. They also released 2 white marlin during their trip to the Spencer Canyon, over 90 miles from the O.C. Inlet.

Other notable catches during the tournament were the "Last Straw" and the "American Lady", each releasing a blue marlin. The "Last Straw" reported hooking the blue marlin, estimated at 425 lbs., outside the Washington Canyon. With yellowfin tuna being scarce this year, I should mention that the "Yellowfin" found a school of smaller yellowfins, around 25 lbs., 10 miles north of the Lobster Claw.

Overall, the action wasn't as fast and furious as we have seen in prior Poor Girls' tournaments, but once again it was a great time for anglers and spectators. Also, hats off to the tournament for donating \$46,000 to the American Cancer Society for breast cancer research.

Cubera Snapper

Nobody can remember a cubera snapper being caught off the coast of Ocean City, but Brad Cave of Dagsboro, DE landed a 40 pounder on a live spot on an ocean wreck (tugboat). This is one mean looking fish. They average between 30 and 50 lbs., and can exceed 100 lbs. These are the

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largest species in the snapper family and are primarily found in Florida, rarely venturing north.

Wahoo

On Thursday, the "Ebb Tide" weighed a 41 lb. speedster caught in 35 fathoms outside the Hot Dog.

We have also received reports of wahoo being caught by trollers around the Chicken Bone.

Flounder

The flounder bite was pretty steady throughout the week but fell off over the weekend. This is pretty common during the summer months when heavy boat traffic seems to turn off the bite.

In the bay, the best flounder action continues to center around the East Channel, north of the Rt. 50 Bridge up to Harbour Island. Some flatties are also being caught in the Inlet. Anglers are still weeding through numerous throwbacks in order to get some keepers in the cooler. Anglers are finding luck using live spot and peanut

bunker or Gulp! artificial baits, primarily the 4-inch Swimming Mullet in white or chartreuse.

By far, the best locations to catch larger flounder have been the ocean wrecks and reefs. Some local anglers are even finding great results, making the 20 mile trip up to the Old Grounds around "DB" Buoy. This buoy is located in the Shipping Channel leading into the Delaware Bay and has been a hot spot for Delaware fishermen for years.

South Jetty

According to Capt. Nick Clemente on the "Get Sum", in addition to small bluefish and stripers, anglers are finding sporadic catches of triggerfish and sheepshead around the South Jetty.

Croaker

If you want action, now is the time to take advantage of the croaker bite in the Inlet, the Thorofare and up around the Rt. 90 Bridge. Capt. Nick told me that croaker are definitely increasing in size and he has had good luck catching big

croaker on the south side of the Inlet, along Assateague Island. Headboats are also finding schools of croaker off 52nd Street and around Purnell's Reef off 22nd Street.

Striped Bass

Stripers, along with some bluefish mixed in, are still being caught around the Rt. 50 Bridge at night. We also received reports that the bite around the South Jetty has turned back on after the full moon. Anglers drifting live spot, eels or bucktails tipped with Gulp! artificial baits are having the best luck landing a linesider.

In the Surf

Sue Foster at Oyster Bay Tackle said, "We had more reports of snapper bluefish in the surf this week. There were still some huge rays and lots of sharks at night. The bluefish were biting on finger mullet or simply chunks of finger mullet on surf rigs. We had reports of croaker after dark from the beach on bloodworm and squid. Norfolk spot and kingfish were biting first thing

August 19, 2009 Coastal Fisherman Page 9 in the morning on bloodworms, nightcrawlers, and Artificial Fish Bite Bloodworms. Some anglers reported doing well on kingfish at dusk. (Heat of the day is sometimes slow on kings). Sharks and rays were biting any kind of cut bait or fresh caught fish such as croaker, spot, bluefish, kingfish or whole small squids. Once the "heat of the day" gets overhead, the surf fishing can really slow down. GO EARLY, and then go at dusk and after dark for the best results."

When this report hits the streets, we will be in the middle of the Mid-Atlantic \$500,000. Total payout is estimated to be around \$1,750,000 with 135 boats competing. Thirty five of those boats are fishing out of Ocean City.

Hard to believe that the next tournament on the schedule is the 51st Annual Labor Day White Marlin Tournament. Weigh-ins will be at Sunset Marina on September 4th, 5th and 6th from 3:30 to 7:00 pm.

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Driftin' Easy

by Sue Foster



Fishing the Rt. 50 Bridge

The Route 50 Bridge in Ocean City is famous for its fishing. Many anglers want to try fishing off this bridge but are unsure of how to fish it.

"Where is the Route 50 Bridge located?"

The Route 50 Bridge is actually the Harry W. Kelly Memorial Bridge when looking it up on your GPS. If you came into Ocean City across the Route 90 Bridge you would have never seen the Route 50 Bridge. If you are in north Ocean City, drive south and you will see the Bridge one block south of 1st Street on

Baltimore Ave. If you are coming into Ocean City from the West, just follow the signs for Ocean City, Route 50, and downtown Ocean City.

"Where do you park?"

There is a limited amount of parking spaces available on the West side of the Bridge along the shoulder of the highway. There is also a free "Park and Ride" that is not a far walk to the Bridge where you can park and walk up on to the Bridge.

"Where can I park on the East side of the Bridge?"

If you are traveling south on Coastal Highway, cross over to the street just west of the Coastal Highway called St. Louis Ave. This street runs from 15th Street to three blocks south of the Route 50 Bridge. There are steps to walk up on both sides of the Bridge off St. Louis Ave. Look for parking on the side street there, or pay to park at the Municipal Parking Lot at 1st Street.

"What can we catch?"

The Route 50 Bridge in Ocean City, MD crosses over some pretty good fishing holes in the Isle of Wight Bay. By day, anglers fish for flounder, bluefish, croaker, tautog,

triggerfish, and all kinds of varieties of little fish such as sea bass, blowfish and Norfolk spot. You can fish the main channel close to the draw of the Bridge in the hard running water, or you can walk towards the middle of the Bridge for calmer, shallower waters that anglers sometimes call the "flats." Use a 6 1/2 to 9-foot rod with a reel spooled with at least 14 pound test.

By day, during this time of year, between mid-to-late August, into the first week of September anglers tend to fish for flounder. The best baits are live minnows hooked through the lips or frozen shiners hooked through the eyes. The angler can then add a strip of squid next to the minnow or shiner bait for extra added attraction. I usually take a pack of finger mullet with me too, in case the bluefish start biting!

Locals hunting big fluke spend time in the marina basins on the West side of the Bridge or at Northside Park at 125th Street, cast netting for little finger mullet or "hook and lining" small spot with little pieces of bloodworm and small hooks. They then put these baits in an aerated bucket and walk up on the Bridge right at the tide change and fish the deepest holes near the draw of the Bridge.

If you look down in the water, you will see the boats trying to get as close to the Bridge as possible, so you know fishing from the Bridge will bring you some luck. You're in the perfect hole! You just have to hoist the fish up on to the Bridge after you catch them. Anglers use a Bridge net, or simply "hand over hand" their catch once it is hooked. I carry a pair of gloves to pull up a fish on a bridge so I won't cut my hands. This is especially important if you are using braided line!

"What kind of rig and what size hook and sinker should I use?"

For flounder, a Kahle hook in the #1/0 to #4/0 size is good. If you are hoisting the flounder over the railing, you want a pretty good sized hook

so your catch won't fall off. If you are fishing the deep water, a single or double hook flounder rig with a 2 to 4 ounce bank or bass cast type sinker will do the trick. Some anglers use a single hook rig about 30-inches long and set it up with an egg sinker between two barrel swivels. This is good if you are fishing near the pilings where there are rocks you can get snagged on.

"I see people using floats?"

In the shallower areas of the Bridge, towards the middle, anglers use a spreader rig or spreader bar which actually "spreads" your two hooks apart. You put your sinker in the center of the rig, and then put your leadered hooks on the two loops of the spreader bar so they actually drag the bottom. Use about a two-ounce bank sinker for weight. Go up about 4 feet or so, and attach a big bobber or big float that you can see from a distance. Hook it on your line, and the current will actually take your bobber out and drag your baits along the bottom. You can cover a lot of territory. It's just like you're drifting in a boat. Anglers work the edges of the sand bars. On the incoming tide, you can drift your baits out towards the big island called "Bird Island." On the outgoing tide, you drift your baits out towards the Homer Gudelsky Park where you see anglers fishing from the shore on the sandy beach.

NOTE!!! You have to watch out for boaters, as you can lose all your gear to a boater getting too close to your line. Always be able to see your bobber and drag it back in closer when you see a boat.

If you're not into the bobber thing, use a flounder rig, and cast out as far as you can, then drag it back slowly towards you. Flounder like a bait that's moving, so keep a little motion in your baits.

"Bluefish!"

There's usually some snapper blues around the Bridge during the day and night. They also like a moving bait. Use spinner blades or those Aqua-Clear Flounder rigs with the shiny fish. Bait up


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with shiners and squid, or cut the whole side of a finger mullet and slap it on the hook with the shiner. (One of my favorite baits.) There's bigger bluefish on the Bridge than in the surf this time of year!

"I see people working lures."


When the blues are really schooling, especially first thing in the morning, at dusk or after dark, anglers work lures for the bluefish. Got-cha Plugs are one of the best and most effective lures. You can work a lure on the Bridge one of two ways. You can work with the current and cast under the Bridge and jig it out with the current. OR, you can work against the current, cast out, and let it bounce back until it gets just slightly beneath the Bridge. If you let it go too long, you'll get hung up in the rocks beneath the Bridge. It's a fine art, so watch others. Got-cha Plugs need to be worked with short, sharp jerks of the rod tip. Some anglers simply drop the Got-cha Plugs straight down, and jerk them up and down close to the pilings when the current is not too strong. Note: During the day, bluefish are closer to the bottom. At night, blues come closer to the surface!

"I hear they catch stripers at night!"

There are some mighty fine stripers biting on the Route 50 Bridge at night. This is when

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Joe Walker, Jr. of Aston, PA was fishing at Fenwick Shoal when he landed this 5 lb. spadefish after hooking it on a chunk of clam. Weighed at Lewes Harbour Marina.



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Swimming Shad lures are one of the most popular lures to fish for stripers. The five-inch size is very popular in the dark colors for night fishing. Six-inchers are popular for the anglers that want to catch the big ones! Work these lures the same way as the Got-cha Plugs, but you don't have to do the "short, sharp jerks." Anglers also work their lures along the light line. The lights at night shine on the water and attract

the baitfish that lure in the blues and stripers. Soft bodies of any kind in the 5-inch size on lead heads tied in tandem are also popular.

"Best Tide?"

Three hours before high tide and two hours after high tide is best for night fishing.

"Day time tides?"

Two hours either side of either high or low tide. And remember, you can catch fish during almost any tide during the day on the Bridge because there's plenty of deep water. If the current gets too strong in the deep water, fish in the middle of the Bridge where the current is not so strong.

"I don't have a bridge net?"

Just go fishing, and usually someone will help you if you hang into the big one!

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.



Tom Davidson of Chalfont, PA (third from left) caught an 8 lb. 1 oz. flounder during a trip on the "Morning Star" with Scott Lenox of Ocean Pines, MD, Earl Murray from Berlin, MD, Capt. Monty Hawkins, Bob Dicken and "Fast Eddie" Turney, both from West Ocean City, MD and Mates Tucker Colquhoun and Rich Silvani. Pictured at the Ocean City Fishing Center.

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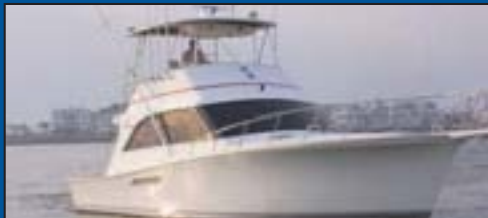
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breadcrumbs
1 TBSP. finely chopped
fresh parsley
2 tsp. kosher salt
2 tsp. finely grated lemon
peel
1/2 tsp. cayenne pepper
3 large egg whites
3 TBSP. extra-virgin olive
oil

Cut fish into 4 x 1 1/4 inch
rectangular sticks.

Sprinkle with salt and
pepper.

Combine next 5 ingredients
in a large bowl.

Whisk egg whites and ale in
medium bowl.

Add fish to ale mixture;
turn to coat; shake off excess,
then bread both sides of fish
with the panko crumbs.

Heat 3 TBSP. oil in a large
nonstick skillet over medium-
high heat.

Add half of the fish sticks.

Cook until golden, about 2
minutes per side.

Repeat with remaining
sticks, adding more oil to
skillet if necessary.

Transfer fish to paper
towels, sprinkle with salt and
pepper.

Serve immediately with
tartar sauce.

Quick Tartar Sauce:

1 cup mayonnaise
6 TBSP. sweet pickle relish
2 TBSP. fresh lemon juice

Mix all ingredients, cover
and chill.

Potato Crusted Flounder

3/4 cup potato flakes
1 cup tartar sauce
1/4 cup snipped fresh
chives
2 tps. grated fresh lemon
peel
4 flounder fillets

Preheat oven to 450
degrees.

Lightly grease a jelly roll
pan (15x10).

In a bowl, stir in the tartar
sauce, chives and lemon peel;
reserve 1/2 cup of sauce for
serving.

Spread flounder pieces
with 2 TBSP. of the remaining
sauce and top each with 3
TBSP. of the potato flakes.

Place fish in prepared pan
and bake 8 to 10 minutes or
until fish turns opaque and top
is golden.

Serve with remaining
sauce.

Serves 4.

Sicilian Tuna Cutlets with Orange and Scallion Salsa

4 yellowfin tuna steaks,
halved
Salt and pepper
1 1/2 cups breadcrumbs
3 large naval oranges plus
grated peel of 1 orange
1/3 cup finely chopped
parsley
2 large cloves garlic, finely
chopped
4 scallions or 1/2 red
onion, finely chopped
2 sprigs oregano, finely
chopped
Extra virgin olive oil for
drizzling and frying
4 cups arugula leaves

Place the tuna between 2
pieces of wax or parchment
paper and pound out to 1/8
inch thick.

Season both sides with salt
and pepper.

In a shallow bowl, combine
the breadcrumbs, orange peel,
parsley and garlic.

After peeling all 3 oranges,
remove the orange segments,
chop and place in a bowl.

Add the scallions and
oregano, drizzle with the oil

and season with salt and
pepper.

Coat the fish with the
breadcrumbs, pressing to
adhere.

In a large nonstick skillet,
heat 2 TBSP. of the oil over
medium-high heat.

Add the tuna cutlets and
cook, turning once until
golden.

Repeat with remaining fish,
adding more oil as needed.

In a medium bowl, toss the
arugula with the lemon juice
and a drizzle of the oil.

Season with salt and
pepper.

Top the fish with the
orange-and-scallion salsa and
serve with the salad.

Serves 4.

Scallop Saute

1 red bell pepper, cut into
strips
1 green bell pepper, cut
into strips
1 medium onion, sliced
3 garlic cloves, minced
3 TBSP. vegetable oil,
divided
1 lb. fresh sea scallops,
drained
3 TBSP. soy sauce
1 tsp. orange zest
3 TBSP. orange juice
1 TBSP. dry white wine
1/4 tsp. dried crushed red
pepper
2 TBSP. butter

Saute first 4 ingredients in 2
TBSP. of hot oil in a large skillet
over medium-high heat until
tender.

Remove from pan and keep
warm.

Saute sea scallops in
remaining 1 TBSP. oil in a
skillet over medium heat 5 to 6
minutes; turn over and cook 3
to 5 minutes or until golden
brown.

Add 2 TBSP. soy sauce,
orange zest, and next 3
ingredients to skillet.

Bring mixture to a boil and
cook over high heat about 2
minutes.

Gradually whisk in butter
and remaining 1 TBSP. soy
sauce until well blended.

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Dennis White from Salisbury, MD released this white marlin while fishing with Greg Creed of Hebron, MD and Jon Conley of Delmar, DE on the "Ramsi". This white was part of a double header, with the other fish coming loose. The anglers also caught 5 dolphin during the trip.

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The 16th Annual Capt. Steve Harman's Poor Girls' Open was held last weekend where 435 anglers in 94 boats competed for trophies and cash awards. Some of the lady anglers who participated in the tournament gathered at the Ocean City Marlin Club for the awards banquet. The tournament donated \$46,000 to the American Cancer Society for breast cancer research.



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<p>Junior Angler</p> <p>1st Place Shelby Moore "Predator" 1 White Marlin</p> <p>Statistics</p> <p>Total Boats - 94</p> <p>Total Anglers - 435</p> <p>Days Fished Day 1 - 10 Day 2 - 35 Day 3 - 49</p>	<p>1st Place Karen Peet "Pumpin' Hard 66" 57.4 lb. yellowfin \$6,400</p> <p>2nd Place Mary McKinney "Reel Desire" 57.0 lb. yellowfin \$3,240</p> <p>3rd Place Stephanie Moore "Moore Bills" 50.8 lb. yellowfin \$2,160</p>	<p>1st Place Angela Keith "Predator" 31.6 lbs. \$6,872</p> <p>2nd Place Katie Tyler "Muff Diver" 21.4 lbs. \$3,524</p> <p>3rd Place Kim Willey "Predator" 21.2 lbs. 2,349</p>	<p>1st Place "D.A. Sea" 2 Blue Marlin 2 White Marlin \$29,615</p> <p>2nd Place "Billfisher" 4 White Marlin \$17,769</p> <p>3rd Place "Bali-Who" 4 White Marlin \$6,716</p>



On the second day of the Poor Girls' Open, Karen Peet of Greenville, DE (second from left) caught this 57.4 lb. yellowfin tuna and hung on to win first place in the Tuna Division. Karen was fishing on the "Pumpin' Hard 66" with Courtney Peet, Lisa Hicken, Christine Klerlein, Michelle Klerlein, Capt. Dan Burt and Mates Mike Burt and Mike Peet. The "Pumpin Hard 66" team won \$6,400 for their 1st place finish. Pictured at Bahia Marina.



On the final day of the 16th Annual Capt. Steve Harman's Poor Girls' Open, the lady anglers on the "D.A. Sea" released 2 blue marlin and 2 white marlin to win 1st place in the Billfish Release Division. Fishing with Capt. Chris Gornell and Mate Jon Meade were Lauren Gornell and Laurie Gaudet, who each released a blue marlin along with Valerie Dunn and Kim Lutz who each released a white marlin. The fish were hooked on ballyhoo in the Spencer Canyon and earned the team \$29,615 in award money.



Mary McKinney of Gaithersburg, MD landed this 57 lb. yellowfin tuna to win 2nd place in the Tuna Division of the Capt. Steve Harman Poor Girls' Open. Mary caught the yellowfin on a ballyhoo in the Spencer Canyon while fishing on the "Reel Desire" with Capt. Kayvan Bahrami and Mate Scooby. The "Reel Desire" team won \$3,240 in award money. Pictured at Bahia Marina.



In the 16th Annual Capt. Steve Harman Poor Girls' Open, Katie Tyler of Ocean City, MD landed this 21.4 lb. dolphin to win 2nd place in the Dolphin Division. Katie was fishing on the "Muff Diver" with Donna Bradford, Billie Fox, Tammy King, Marcella LaPerle, Amanda Reinhardt, Capt. Joe Riley and Mate Wayne Bradford. The dolphin was caught in 50 fathoms in the South Poor Man's Canyon and weighed at Bahia Marina.



On the first day of the Poor Girls' Open, the team on the "Billfisher" took the early lead in the Billfish Release Division with 4 white marlin releases and held on to finish in 2nd place. Fishing on the "Billfisher" were Judy Duffie (2 white marlin releases), Kourtney Duffie (2 white marlin releases), Dacia MacLean, Capt. John Duffie and Mate Jon Prather. The white's were hooked on ballyhoo at the Rockpile and earned the "Billfisher" team \$17,769 in award money.



On the second day of the 16th Annual Capt. Steve Harman's Poor Girls' Open, Stephanie Moore of Jarrettsville, MD caught a 50.8 lb. yellowfin to win 3rd place in the Tuna Division. Stephanie was fishing on the "Moore Bills" with Tracy Fassio, Lisa Grauer, Capt. Rob Skillman and Mate Chris Hornung. The yellowfin, in addition to a 48.1 pounder caught by Lisa, were hooked on trolled ballyhoo at the Rockpile and won the "Moore Bills" team \$2,160 in award money. Pictured at Bahia Marina.



Third place in the Billfish Release Division of the 16th Annual Capt. Steve Harman's Poor Girls' Open was won by the team on the "Bali-Who" with 4 white marlin released on the final day of the tournament. The "Bali-Who" team consisted of anglers Maryle Mondschein of Fairfax, VA (1 release) and Pam D'Aleo from Ocean City, MD (3 releases), Capt. Kevin Rohe and Mates Hank Draper and Dave Nornes. The white marlin, in addition to a dolphin, were hooked in 35 fathoms inside the Rockpile and earned the "Bali-Who" team \$6,716 in award money. Pictured at Bahia Marina.



On the second day of the 16th Annual Capt. Steve Harman's Poor Girls' Open, Shelby Moore, age 11, caught and released a white marlin, good enough to win the Junior Angler Division. Shelby was fishing on the "Predator" with Jennifer Darcy, who also released a white marlin, Laura Lockwood, Heather Moore, Suzi Hearn, Capt. Howard Lynch and Mates Jul Airey and Donnie Moore. Shelby won \$100 and a rod/reel combination for her first place finish. Pictured with Shelby are Tournament Directors Joslyn Harman and Shawn Harman.



Brad Rice from Bishopville, MD, Rich Saulitis of Salisbury, MD and Drew Linzey of Willards, MD caught their limit of flounder while fishing on the "Finally Fishing" at the Twin Wrecks. Pictured at the Ocean City Fishing Center.



This group on the "Ditchdigger Too" returned with 15 flounder, a sea bass and a ling, after fishing near "DA" Buoy. Pictured are Dominic and John Alabanese from Millsboro, DE, Tyler and Bill Trate from West Fenwick, DE, Margaret Ferm from Chesapeake City, MD and Capt. John Ferm. To see a video of the catch, log on to www.coastalfisherman.net and click on "On the Docks" in the video section.

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Bill Snyder of Ocean Pines, MD caught these flounder, measuring 23.5 and 25.5-inches, while fishing off the 9th Street Pier. The fish were caught on live mullet during the incoming tide. Pictured at All Tackle Ocean City.



Layne Masser, Jim Remsburg, Hunter Remsburg, Danny Remsburg and Kevin Beachley returned to the dock at the Ocean City Fishing Center with 5 flounder in the box after fishing with Capt. Nick Clemente and Mate Tyler Hasenei on the "Get Sum". The fish were caught on live peanut bunker in the East Channel.

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Mitch Carsley and Colby Hiddemen each caught their first keeper flounder while using Gulp! artificial baits in the Indian River Inlet. Mitch's fish measured 19-inches while Colby's was 18.5-inches.



Frank Brown and Ron Soltes of Long Neck, DE caught these flounder and a striped bass while fishing with Gulp! artificial baits and spot in the Indian River Inlet. Photo courtesy of Rick's Bait & Tackle.



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Nathan McGinnis, age 8, from New Holland, PA reeled in this 19-inch flounder after hooking it on a squid and shiner combination near Harbour Island. Nathan was fishing on the "Tortuga" with Capt. Drew Zerbe and weighed the 2 lb. 8 oz. flounder on the scale at Bahia Marina.

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Scott Heiland of Long Neck, DE was drifting a squid and minnow combination near "DB" Buoy when he hooked into this 4 lb. 12 oz. flounder. Scott weighed his catch on the scale at Rick's Bait & Tackle.

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Delaware Fishing Report

by Rick Willman



Hi folks. Fishing continues to be good in both the back bays and in the ocean. Overall this has got to be one of the best bottom fishing seasons in recent history.

In the Indian River and Rehoboth Bays, croaker fishing is fantastic. Flounder fishing is still good even though a few less keepers being taken.

To find the bigger flatties you want to fish the deeper holes and drop-offs. Squid and minnow is still the most popular offering, but the GULP! products sure are providing catches to many anglers.

Inshore ocean action continues to improve with real good catches of flounder at Reef Site #10 and Site #11. The "DB" Buoy area as well as the Old Grounds are giving up good catches of flounder. Heather Preece was fishing Site #10



Scott Peterson wrestled this 8 lb. 15 oz. flounder from the Brown Shoal Reef while fishing on the "Top Fin" with Capt. Pete Haines. Weighed at Lewes Harbour Marina.

using squid and minnow and caught a 4.75-lb. flattie. Dylan Registrar fished Brown Shoal in Delaware Bay to trick a 9 pound 8 ounce flattie using squid and minnow.

Offshore fishing has been tough if you are looking for tuna. Boats trolling for tuna are scoring more dolphin than anything else. Rick Rothenberger on the "Shooting Star" trolled up Spanish mackerel, bonita, and bluefish while trolling the Lightship. Gary Aughenbaugh on the "Empty Hook" had the Jeff Boertner crew offshore and trolled up a wahoo. We heard from Capt. Mike Baniewicz on "Reel Escape", he had a party from Ohio out to the Baltimore where they scored 2 White Marlin & 2 gaffer Dolphin. Bobby Haas and Mike Bender scored another cobia east of the Lightship. This one tipped the scales at 32 lbs.

The Sea Side Gas & Grill / Rick's Bait and Tackle Flounder Tournament ended Saturday. Here are the final results:

1st - Mickey Payne - 10 lbs.

9 oz.

2nd - Mickey Payne - 6 lbs. 2

oz.

3rd - John Marmer - 5 lbs. 5

oz.

Keep checking for information about our Striper Ganza Tournament starting on October 21st.

Ron at Rattle and Reel Sporting Center informed us that the area around "DB" Buoy in giving up much better numbers of keeper size flounder. A long strip of squid, partnered with a minnow seems to be doing the trick. Massey's Ditch is providing plenty of croaker action.

At Henlopen Bait and Tackle on Savannah Road in Lewes, Dan reported good flounder action in the Delaware Bay. The Reefsites and the Anchorage are giving up lots of flatties with pretty good numbers of keeper size fish. Croakers are still roaming the waters all over the bay. Bluefish action improved over the past week for those soaking bait in the surf.

The guys at Bill's Sport Shop reported that Scott Aiken was fishing the surf in South Bethany and beached 11 kingfish, many croaker and spot. Ed Pilling of Lewes, DE. caught a 7.45 lb flounder at the Haystacks using a squid and minnow combo for bait. Mark and Carol Stiegler and Bill Weiss were fishing south of Savages Ditch with fresh mullet and reported a steady afternoon bite of small blues and kingfish. Dwyane Powers hauled in a tautog tipping the scales at 12 lbs. with a length of 29" while using fleas and green crabs.

Captain Carey Evans of the "Grizzly" reports, "flounder fishing has been the best we have seen in years. When conditions are right for these flat fish we can really catch them. We finally have seen some quality croakers in the bay."

Joe Morris at Lewes Harbour Marina said area anglers continued to enjoy fine bottom fishing. Croakers are plentiful in the Delaware Bay, with larger hardheads hanging out around structure. The Star and Broadkill reef sites were

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productive, and small boaters casting around the Inner Wall and Ferry Jetty had some big croakers as well. Fishbites, bloodworms, clams and shrimp were favored offerings. Hand-size spot were mixed among croakers in shallower areas. Spot action was best around the Cape Henlopen Pier, and in the Lewes Canal and Broadkill River. Bloodworms and Fishbites on small hooks or sabiki rigs did the trick.

Flounder catches remain good, with the largest flatties taken around heavy cover of the artificial reefs. Sites #6 and #7 at Brown Shoal were productive, as well as the #8 Star Site. Reef site #10 in the ocean gave up good numbers of flounder also. Drifting boats caught fish, but sometimes, when drift conditions weren't right, anchoring worked well. Walking rigs along the bottom, or casting bucktails upcurrent and bouncing them along were effective techniques.

Some crews racked up decent numbers of keepers. The guys aboard "Lil' Angler II"

returned with 20 flatties from a reef site last Tuesday. Captain Pete's group on the "Top Fin" limited out with 20 keeper flounder Saturday at Site #10. Citation fluke are still being checked in regularly. Matt Millman scored an 8.9 pounder, and John Brackbill brought back an 8.74-pound flounder. Shawn Williams decked a 6.05-pound flatfish at Site #10. Flounder favored fresh meat, and strips of spot and bluefish were also good producers along with shiners and smelt. Bucktails tipped with Gulp! Belly Strips, Sand Eels and Jerk Shads also took their share. Matt Jester jigged up a 6.57-pound fluke at "DB" Buoy.

Boats working the Old Grounds had flounder and sea bass. Most of the bass were below the 12-1/2 inch minimum, but increasing numbers of keepers were reported. Triggerfish were found on many of the inshore wrecks. Sand fleas, shrimp or pieces of clam on small hooks tempted triggers. Cobia have also been reported around Delaware

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Tuna action was slim, but fair numbers of dolphin were available between twenty and forty fathoms. Pete Russo landed a 16.7-pound Mahi on the "Skipjack", and John Ribinsky got a 17.8 pounder on the "Tranquila". Dan Iacangelo trolled up a 16.8-pound dolphin in the Wilmington Canyon aboard the "Black Bart". Captain Chris on the "Skipjack" said that the 19 Fathom Lump was "covered up with Atlantic Bonito." The striped speedsters are a blast to catch and quite tasty. They can be taken by trolling Clark Spoons and small feather jigs, or by casting Stingsilvers or similar metal lures. They'll also move into a chum slick and will grab a free-lined spearing or live minnow.

Until next week, have fun and be safe!

Rick and his wife Deb are owners of Rick's Bait & Tackle in Long Neck, DE.



Capt. Brent Wiest captured this 7 lb. 4 oz. flounder while drifting the Brown Shoal reefs aboard the "Lil' Angler" with Capt. Chet Harer. Weighed at Lewes Harbour Marina.

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Fisheries Section.

This is the fourth sinking of retired NYC subway cars in recent months, with 44 cars also sunk in March and again in April, and 39 cars going down in June. According to Tinsman, the latest complement of 44 cars sunk over Del-Jersey-Land is another deployment that "keeps all cars on one level in order to test whether this affects durability of the cars."

Many earlier sinkings at artificial reefs along the East Coast were made with one subway car piled atop another on the bottom, for a two-tiered reef habitat. "This being the first deployment of cars on the Del-Jersey-Land site, it will assess the cars' durability in depths in excess of 120 feet," Tinsman said.

The Del-Jersey-Land site, with an area of about one square mile and a depth of 120-130 feet, was permitted in 2006, specifically for surplus Navy vessels.

The operation was funded by MTA New York City Transit.

For more information, visit <http://www.fw.delaware.gov/Fisheries/Pages/ArtificialReefProgram.aspx> or contact Jeff Tinsman, Delaware Reef Program administrator, at 302-739-4782.



On Friday, Bill Russell of Harrisburg, PA caught this 64.3 lb. yellowfin tuna while fishing on the "Dream Girl" with Michael Russell of Harrisburg, PA and Glen Newton of Bethany, DE. The yellowfin hit a skirted ballyhoo at the Middle Lump and was weighed at Hook'em & Cook'em.



Austin Brittingham caught this dolphin while fishing at the Hot Dog with his dad, Bill Brittingham, Ray Swearengine and Gary Lavallee.



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Rob Tracey of Sykesville, MD released this white marlin during a trip with his family aboard the "Hot Pursuit" with Capt. Mark Sewell. The group went 3 for 6 on whites, all on skirted ballyhoo in the Baltimore Canyon.



Pam Dierolf from Fleetwood, PA captured these two flounder, measuring 19 and 21 inches, while drifting minnows and Gulp! combinations at Massey's Landing. Photo courtesy of Bill's Sport Shop in Lewes, DE.

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Roberta Sanders of Columbia, MD hooked this 6 lb. 2 oz. flounder while using flounder belly for bait during a trip on the "Morning Star" with Capt. Monty Hawkins and Mates Rich Silvani and Mike Kinder.



Charles Lawrence from Baltimore, MD caught his limit of flounder (2 pictured) while fishing in the bay behind 22nd Street. The largest flounder, caught on a bucktail tipped with a minnow, measured 26-inches and weighed 6 lbs. on the scale at Bahia Marina.



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Dylan Anderson from Lexington, KY caught this 19.5-inch flounder and a 31-inch striper while fishing on the "Get Sum" with Capt. Nick Clemente and Mate Tyler Hasenei. The striped bass ate a live spot and the flounder took a dolphin belly / shiner combination in the East Channel. Pictured at the Ocean City Fishing Center.



Linda Zelubowski of Annapolis, MD and Sue, Nicole and Jessica Szilagy of Hellertown, PA ended their day with 5 flounder in the box, ranging from 18 to 22-inches. All of the fish were caught on live minnows.



Anglers continue to pound Delaware reefsites, landing impressive flounder like this 8 lb. 15 oz. flattie caught by Matt Millman from Milton, DE. Matt was fishing on "Swords Fish" with Capt. Bill Swords and used strips of squid for bait. Weighed at Lewes Harbour Marina.

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Doug Mazzullo of Kent Island, MD muscled in this 105 lb. bluefin tuna while fishing on the "Constant Threat" with Charlie O'Reilly of Odenton, MD and Capt. Doug Howell. The 62-inch bluefin was caught on a trolled ballyhoo at the Hambone and weighed at the Fisherman's Marina in West Ocean City.

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by Mark Sampson



A while back, I got an inquiry from a fellow about my policy for days when we catch our limit of fish. He wanted to know if the charter trip is considered "over" and we return to the dock if we catch our limit of fish. Seems he recently had a trip with another captain and in less than an hour they had caught their limit and were headed back home. Apparently it all happened so quickly that the group was kind of at a loss for words when the captain

informed them that the trip was over just when they were thinking that the fun was only getting started.

But instead of reveling at the notion that they would be weighing their catch back at the marina by mid-morning (as the captain seemed to be) the group was dumbfounded and left wondering if this is the way it is on all charter boats or if maybe they were being taken advantage of. They thought they had booked a 12-hour trip, but in less than four hours they were standing around the dock watching the fish cleaner cut their fish and wondering what they would be doing for the rest of their day.

The guy didn't wish to name-names anymore than I cared to know who he had been fishing with, suffice to say that his group went home feeling as though they had been short-changed on their charter. They wanted to go "fishing" that day not just "get a fish" and race home. Of course, there's two sides to every story and I'm sure that Captain "Whoever" had his reasons for doing what he did. I suppose also that the fellow knows what he's doing and his charter bookings are so good that he's fishing every day and can, therefore, afford to lose a client or two - he did that day.

Of course, I guess it's worth pointing out that if the guy who did the booking had taken the time to converse with the

captain beforehand he might have known what kind of a guy was going to be guiding his group that day and what some of his policies were. As I've mentioned before, the best recommendation I can give to someone who wants to book a fishing trip is to TALK to the captain before making a commitment to fish with him. I'll be the first to admit that there are some real goobers in our business, fortunately they're few and far between, but getting hooked-up with one of them for a charter that might cost the same as a home mortgage payment is not likely to end up being money well spent.

Though not always practical or even possible, a better option than calling is stopping down to their boat and talking to a captain in person. It might be it true that "you can't judge a book by its cover," but chatting with the captain face to face and seeing firsthand how they keep themselves and their boat will speak volumes about what kind of operation they run. Are they the neat, clean, well mannered type you wouldn't be afraid to have your wife and children aboard with, or are they more the rough, foul-mouthed type that might be best limited to when you're fishing with "the guys?" While scoping out the captain folks might also have a chance to meet the first mate and see what he's all about. Remember, on some trips anglers will have a lot more interaction with the mate than the captain. If he's not the kind of guy they'd want to spend a day on the water with, they might want to keep looking!

On my website I recommend that new clients first call me to

discuss charter details. But I guess it's just a sign of the times that these days everyone wants to do everything over the internet and I book a lot of charters with folks whom I do nothing but trade a few emails with before our initial trip. As bad as email correspondence is, it's even worse when someone books a "boat" that they like through a dock office and has no contact with the captain at all until they step aboard for their trip. Anglers must keep in mind that a big flashy boat does not guarantee that the captain and crew are "their kind of people" or will fish with the same goals or ethics that they wish to pursue. No matter what, ya gotta talk to the captain first!

By the way, in case anyone wants to know how I answered the question by the fellow asking about our policy of what we do if we catch our limit of fish, I told him that when someone books my boat (or most other local charter boats) for a "day of fishing" they get "a day of fishing." If we're lucky enough to catch a limit early we'll either spend the remainder of the day in catch-and-release mode or shift gears and do some other kind of fishing. Sure, I always welcome the opportunity to come home early, but the way I see it, if it's fair for me to say that the trip ends once we reach our limit, then it should also be fair for my clients to request that if by the end of the day we haven't caught our limit - that we keep fishing until we do. And if I let that happen I'd end up missing way too many dinners at home!

(Editor's note: You will find a "Charter Boat Directory" feature on www.coastalfisherman.net.

This feature includes enhanced information about particular charter boats, along with a video tour of the boat and a video interview with the captain. It's a good, informative feature to help you book your charter.)

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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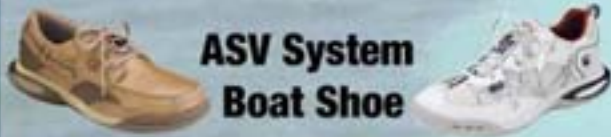


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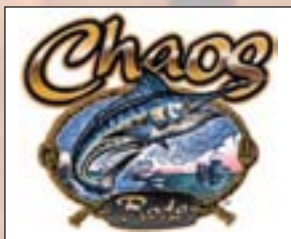


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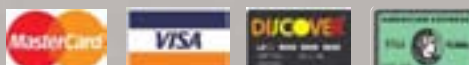
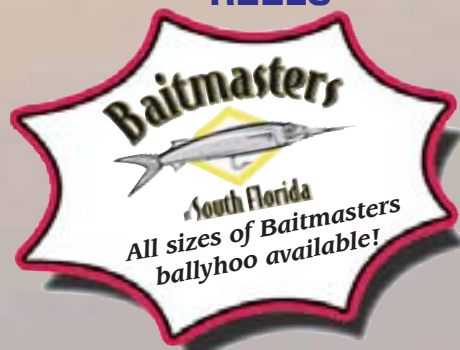
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Virginia Fishing Report

by Dr. Julie Ball



Decent weather is providing anglers with some good opportunities lately. The ongoing flounder explosion is still the main attraction inshore. Since the summer's sluggish flounder spell turned around last weekend, anglers are rushing to get in on the bite. Dozens of whoppers up to 12-pounds are hitting the scales. Huge doormats are striking at jigs and live bait presented along

varying bottom structures in the lower part of the Bay. The Cell, the CBBT structure, and lower Bay wrecks are just a few of the best flounder hot-spots lately. Drifters are also having good luck with strip baits and minnows near Buoy 36A and the Thimble Shoal Channel near Cape Henry.

The next top species is cobia. Cobia are transitioning to their usual late summer trend of top-water rendezvous with structure. This movement is providing a new approach for many cobia hunters. More fish are also beginning to cruise on the surface. In the meantime, chummers are still enjoying a nice selection of big fish taken on cut bait and eels. John Wandrick of Townsend boated a nice 68-pound cobia while deploying chum near Buoy 16 this week.

Red drum are still roaming around most of the lower Bay, especially near shoals and the 3rd and 4th Islands of the CBBT. Black drum are also still meandering around the artificial islands of the Bridge

Tunnel where folks are hooking and releasing a few fish on artificial lures. Expect the blacks to begin moving off the islands soon.

King mackerel are beginning to show promise. Sightings of schools of kings, along with a few landings of snake-sized fish is bringing hope that the fishery will light up soon. A good easterly blow could jump start the king bite.

According to local charter captains, the Spanish mackerel fishing along the coastal Virginia Beach is hit and miss right now. Plenty of tailor bluefish are taking up the slack.

With the large number of sharks showing in local waters, these toothy critters are becoming a targeted species lately. Several varieties of sharks such as sand tigers, tigers, hammerheads, black tips, and spinners are sniffing out chum slicks all over coastal and lower Bay waters. Some of these fish are pushing to over 8-feet.

The great puppy drum action is still going on within most any skinny water location in Tidewater, with steady action within Lynnhaven and Rudee Inlets. These young reds will hit a variety of baits, with fresh cut mullet and Gulp! mullets the top choices lately.

Interest in spadefish is waning, but some decent sized fish are still available along the northern span of the CBBT, the four artificial islands, and many inshore structures. Sheepshead are cooperating lately. Crab, clam, and fiddlers presented along the pilings and tubes of the CBBT can entice a sheepshead bite. Chong Chae of Virginia Beach did just that when he

hooked into a massive 14-pound sheepshead near the 2nd Island while using a fiddler crab for bait.

Triggerfish are everywhere on lower bay structures and inshore wrecks. These little fish will take most any offering. Chesapeake's Michael Phelps found a willing 4 lb. 4 oz. trigger while fishing near the 2nd Island of the CBBT with clam.

Croaker are everywhere, and the bigger hardheads are now moving into lower bay waters. The larger fish are coming from the deeper areas north of the 3rd Island of the CBBT, the MMBT, Back River Reef, and the Cell. Many fish are ranging from 1 to 1.5-pounds. Anglers fishing Oyster are still filling coolers in the back waters. Spot are hitting within Rudee and Lynnhaven Inlets on bloodworms, with good numbers of fish still coming from off the Concrete Ships.

The rekindled tarpon action on the Eastern Shore is still holding this week. According to the folks at Chris' Bait and Tackle, with a few fish jumped off this week, and many sightings, the Silver King hunters are content right now. A few more hot days are needed to maintain this pattern. It is rumored that tarpon are also frequenting the coastline near Sandbridge recently.

Amberjack are providing good opportunities on offshore wrecks and at the Southern Towers. With the slow offshore action lately, many bluewater trollers are hitting the South Tower. Some boats are even bringing home AJ's to try. Tuna are scarce, and there are a few dolphin around. Scattered white marlin are available further south.

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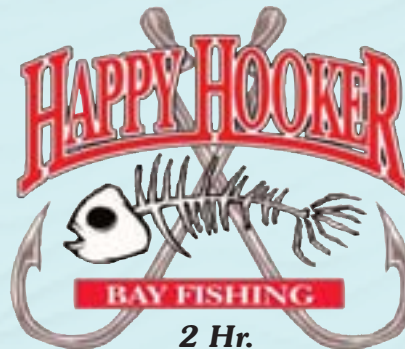
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 Tautog	March 15, 2009 Capt. Kane Bounds "Judith M" 19 lbs. 8 oz.	July 17, 2009 Alex Levantowsky "Grizzly" 16 lbs. 4 oz.	 Thresher Shark	June 19, 2009 Brent Applegit Fingers 642 lbs.	July 1, 2009 John Kazem "B" Buoy 376 lbs.
 Striped Bass	May 17, 2009 Donald Hatfield Assateague Surf 45 lbs. 8 oz.	May 13, 2009 Derek Bair Indian River Inlet 35 lbs. 6 oz.	 Cobia	July 25, 2009 Chris Toner "Fish Finder" 72 lbs.	August 1, 2009 Bobby Haas Site #11 22 lbs.
 Weakfish	May 16, 2009 Chris Tilghman Rt. 90 Bridge 7 lbs. 8 oz.	May 24, 2009 Isaiah Ross Broadkill River 6 lbs. 8 oz.	 Bluefin Tuna	July 13, 2009 Giuseppe Ferrarelli "That's Right" 170 lbs.	June 28, 2009 Collin Johnson "MEGA-BITE" 180 lbs.
 Speckled Trout	No Weights Reported	No Weights Reported	 Yellowfin Tuna ★ NEW	August 13, 2009 Joe Sbriglia Poor Man's Canyon 66.5 lbs.	August 15, 2009 Bill Russell Middle Lump 64.3 lbs.
 Flounder	June 11, 2009 Avak Khachadorian "Morning Star" 9 lbs. 2 oz.	July 19, 2009 Jody McCullough Indian River Inlet 11 lbs. 10 oz.	 Longfin Tuna	August 4, 2009 Gunnar Zorn Wilmington Canyon 67.5 lbs.	No Weights Reported
 Bluefish	June 27, 2009 Mike Osifat Poor Man's Canyon 13 lbs.	May 24, 2009 Troy Schifflett 12 Fathom Lump 13 lbs. 13 oz.	 Bigeye Tuna	August 3, 2009 Doug Salter Baltimore Canyon 249 lbs.	June 21, 2009 Doug Rinicker Poor Man's Canyon 102 lbs.
 Sheepshead	June 11, 2009 Tassos Argyros Barnstable Wreck 11 lbs. 4 oz.	July 23, 2009 Joe Kossek Ice Breakers 10 lbs. 2 oz.	 Dolphin	August 5, 2009 Ron Bennett, Sr. Baltimore Canyon 37.5 lbs.	July 27, 2009 Ned Baumbach 19 Fathom Lump 23.6 lbs.
 Black Drum ★ NEW	August 12, 2009 Milton Crim South Jetty 15.1 lbs.	May 22, 2009 Anthony Lano Coral Beds 82.3 lbs.	 Wahoo	August 2, 2009 Greg Garman Hambone 69 lbs.	July 25, 2009 Wilson Hazzard Baltimore Canyon 75 lbs.

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A master of the "Lewes Harbour Stretch", Joe Walker of Aston, PA was drifting cut bait at Reefsites #10 when he hooked into this 8 lb. 2 oz. flounder. Joe was fishing on the "High Pressure" with Capt. Tony Vansant and weighed his catch at Lewes Harbour Marina.



Donald Brown of Baltimore, MD, Wayne Gowar from Baltimore, MD, Jim and Mason Powlus from Strasburg, PA, Joe Osowski from Folsom, PA and Evan O'Hara of Warminster, PA had a good day fishing on the "Bay Bee" with Capt. Mike Walsh and Tyler Adkins. The fish were caught on squid and shiner combinations near Harbour Island.

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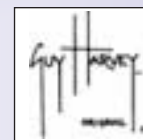
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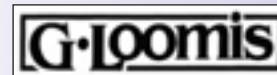


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IMP DELAWARE ART COLLECTION (Part 1 of 3 Parts): 1831-1898 Alexander Charles Stuart oil on canvas marine scene "Shipwrecked Schooner", Howard Schroeder watercolor harbor scene, primitive oil "Hornblower", "Lifeguard Chair on Beach" pastel by Laura Hickman, Victorian oil girl & dog, orig. watercolor by Beth Fitzpatrick, sailboats by Julie Moulineax, oil on canvas by Mitchell "Brandywine Bridge, river pastel by Senter, watercolor by Herb Jones "Flying Ducks", New Yorker poster by Steinberg, lot London ink art, "Conch Shell" & "Blue Whelk Shell" by Wendy Scheiner, winter scene by Bollinger, "Boater with Oars" by Graham Lavallien, "Winter River" by DiTullo, watercolor 4 sm. boats by Barch, winter landscape by Owing Cornice Pink, "Rock Cliff" by Miluski, "Two Junks" by Daly, "Spinnakers" by Doug Herr Crapon, "Lone Boat" by Carolyn Blish, "Blue Ball Barn" by Paul Scarborough, "Barn in Winter" by Daly, signature Queen Victoria, "Boat House & Boat" by Audrey Font, "Storm at Sea" by Doug Herr, "Sea Fence on Sand" by Daly, "Winter Beach Footprints" by Paul Scarborough, watercolor "Winter Evening" by Paul Scarborough, "Dock Pier" by P Reese, "Lighthouse" by Kelly, original watercolor and acrylic paintings (fruit motifs) Beth Fitzpatrick from Wilmington, DE, original small signed oil (fruit still life), original water color by Woody Woodruff from Seaford, DE, 6 large framed prints incl. "Situation of America," "Brass Pot/Pheasant Still Life," "Basket of Flowers," "Sun Dials," "Lighthouse "Back Creek II," "Christmas Carol," ant. oil "Girl at the Well" Howard Schroeder watercolor: "Provincetown Harbor", Willie Crockett watercolor: "Flying Geese", sev. very early framed Daguerreotypes incl. children, in addition over 30 original watercolors of beach, dune scenes, landscapes & watercolors by Lambeck, plus dozens of stone lithographs, high quality prints, etchings, poster art, alphabet tapestry in wood frame, "Misty of Chincoteague" movie poster, and much, much, more!!

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JEWELRY: Ant. necklace in velvet box, Jose Hess designer 18kt gold diamond necklace, 14kt. y.g. child's ID bracelet, 14kt. y.g. sapphire & diamond cluster pendant, sterling bracelet w/blue cu. zirconia stones, 14kt. y.g. sapphire & diamond pendant w/oval sapphire, heart shaped pink stone w/14kt y.g. pendant, estate silver necklace & bracelet set, Joan Rivers ring beige w/cubic zirconia, Joan Rivers multi colored ring, David Yurman inspired silver ring w/pink cu. zirconia, gents gold filled initial G ring, gents citrine 10kt y.g. ring, gents diamond 14kt y.g. ring, 10kt y.g. blue topaz earrings, 14kt y.g. 5 diamond anniversary ring, and more!!

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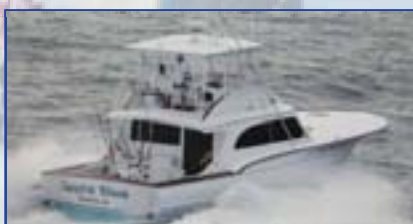
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Logyn Ray of York, PA was fishing with his grandfather, Stan Ilyes, also from York, PA when they caught 5 flounder (4 pictured) in the East Channel. Logyn caught the largest flounder of the day, measuring 23.5-inches, on a squid and minnow combination.

The advertisement for Bank of Ocean City features a large logo on the left with the letters 'BOC' in a stylized font. To the right of the logo, the text reads 'bank of ocean city' and 'Serving Ocean City Since 1916'. Below the text is a photograph of a white motorboat moving across the water, leaving a white wake. At the bottom of the ad, the phone number '410-213-0173' and the website 'www.BankOfOceanCity.com' are listed. A small FDIC logo is in the bottom right corner.

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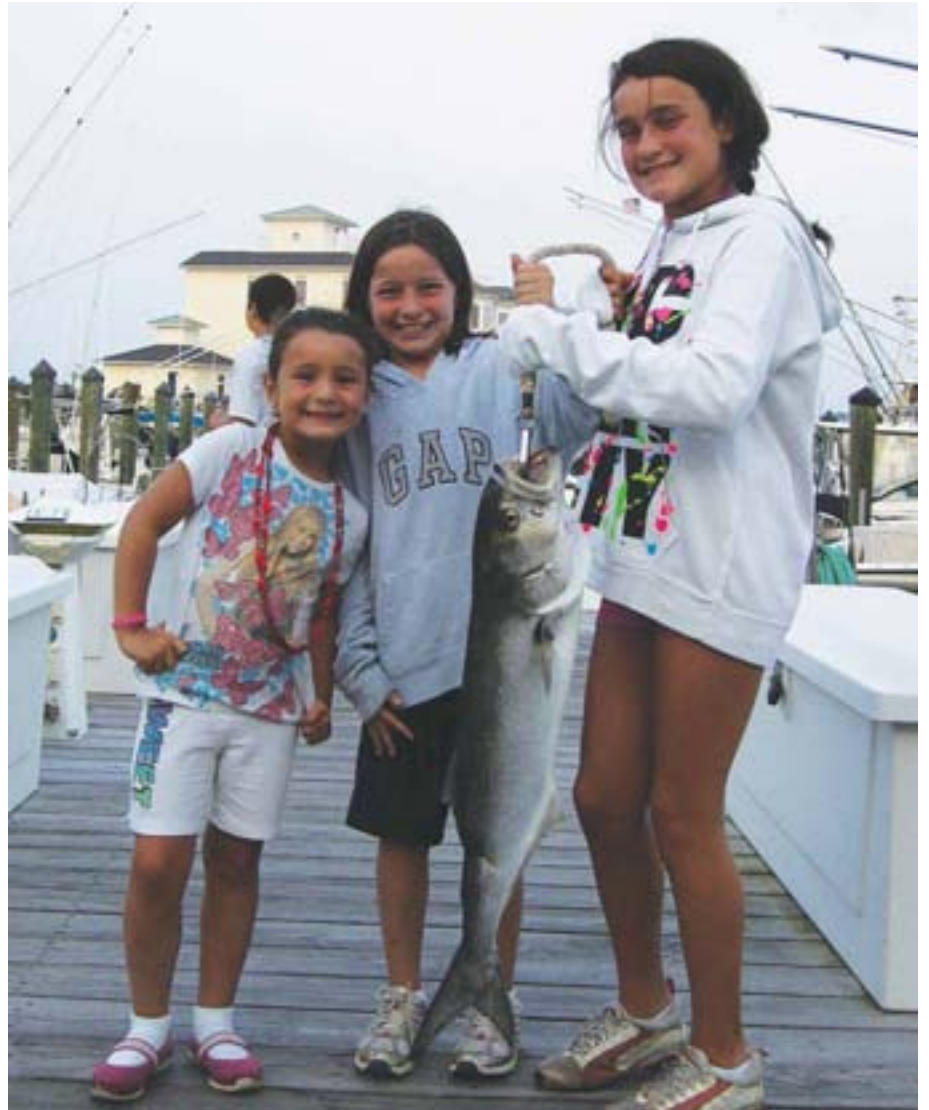
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Nina, Sydney and Gracie Balducci from Foristell, MO caught this 33-inch, 8 lb. 8 oz. chopper bluefish while fishing on the "Get Sum" with Capt. Nick Clemente and Mate Tyler Hasenei. Pictured at the Ocean City Fishing Center.



David Cheveca from Montreal, Canada caught his limit of 10 bluefish (2 pictured) while fishing from the Rt. 50 Bridge at night. All of the fish were caught on Gotcha plugs during the incoming tide.

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Flounder	24"	7 lbs.
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	<u>MD</u>	<u>DE</u>
Kingfish (Northern Whiting)	14"	1 lb.
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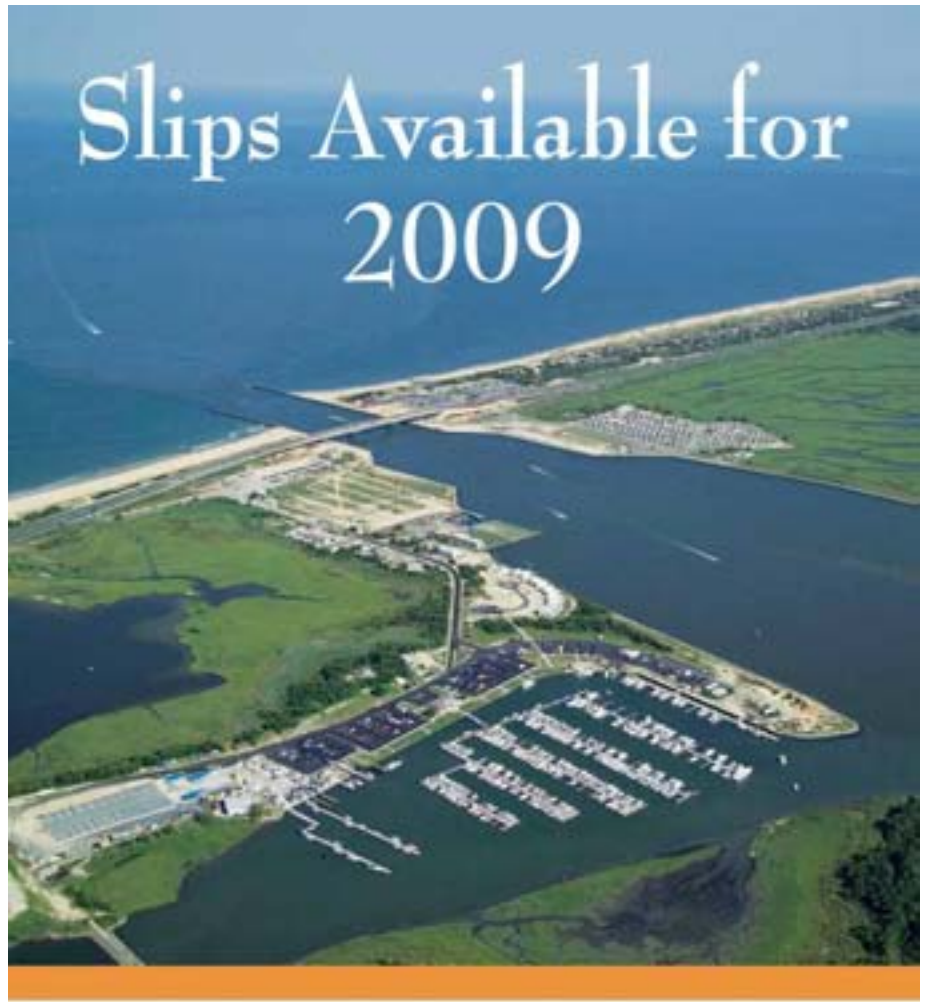
Chris Martin, Jr., age 2 1/2, of Rockville, MD caught his first fish, a 6-inch spot, while fishing in an Ocean Pines canal, using bloodworms for bait.



Rick Morris of Harley-Davidson in Ocean City was fishing in the Fenwick Ditch when he landed these two flounder measuring 18.5 and 19.5 inches.



Jenn Carrier of Crownsville, MD caught this 20-inch flounder while fishing at the Fenwick Ditch.



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Donna McCauley of Ocean City, MD caught her limit of flounder while fishing on the "Macimize" in the East Channel. The flounder measured between 18.5 and 19-inches and were hooked on squid and minnow combinations.



Laura Campbell and Chris Smelter, both from Newark, DE, were fishing outside the Hot Dog on the "Drippin' Wet" when they hooked into these three dolphin, the two heaviest tipping the scale at 17 and 19 lbs.

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Mark Shaffer from York, PA caught a 24-inch flounder while fishing off the 2nd Street Bulkhead in the East Channel. Mark was fishing with Mike, Matt and Jaydon Shaffer, also from York, PA. Mike and Matt each caught themselves a keeper flattie, with all the fish being hooked on live minnows.

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Sat. August 22	Low 03:36 am Low 03:57 pm	High 10:01 am High 10:25 pm
Sun. August 23	Low 04:20 am Low 04:50 pm	High 10:50 am High 11:11 pm
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Phat Mann ~ 65' PAUL MANN 2006. CAT C-32s with low hours. 3/2 layout, beautiful interior w/ many upgrades. Mezzanine, Eskimo Ice, water maker, teak cockpit. Call Jimmy



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Thumper ~ 2002 61' Carolina Custom Blackwell. 1200 hp MANs. Great electronics, water, ice. Fish raiser! Call Jimmy



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Front Runner ~ 61' Spencer 2006. 1650 C-32 CATs. 3/2 teak interior. Pipewelders tower, 2 gens, ice & water makers, SAT phone & TV. Mezz w/cockpit AC. Call Jimmy



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Mass Transit ~ 57' 1996 Island Boatworks. 1100 hp MANs. 40 kt @2300 rpm. New SubZeros, Murray chair, ice & water makers, teak deck. Two Phasor 21 kw gens. Call Jimmy



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Why Not ~ 45' Scarborough Express 1992. Cummins QSM11 625 hp engines. New tower, riggers, interior, fresh paint and more in 2006. Call Jimmy



Marilyn Sue ~ 35' 2001 Carolina Classic. 465 hp 3126 CATs. 2/1 layout. Furuno electronics. A fisherman's dream. Call Steve



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Agitator ~ 38' 1982/2009 Ricky Scarborough. Cummins. Bausch hardtop, teak helm pod. Great electronics. Loaded. Mint. Call Jimmy



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Raptor ~ 30' 1999 Hydra-Sports Vector. '05 Twin Yamaha 250 4-stroke, new wiring & triple axle trailer. Call Steve



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Seanote ~ 32' 2001 Luhrs Convertible. New IVECO 330 hp w/low hours. Rigged for fishing. Clean. Call Steve



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Candy Man ~ 27' 1990 Albemarle Express. Twin 350 Volvo fresh water cooled straight inboards. Tower, good electronics. Call Steve



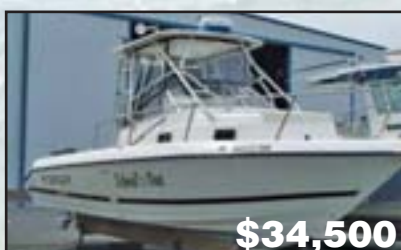
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Darlin ~ Stolper 38 Express. Cummins 6CTA 420hp 350hrs SMOH, CAC new 2006. Many 2006 upgrades. Call Steve



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Current Obsession ~ 33' 1979 Bertram Conv - Twin gas 502. Full tower, upper controls, good electronics. Rigged to fish. Call Steve \$49,900



\$34,500

School's Out ~ 26' 2000 Century Walk Around. Yamaha 150 hp OX66. Good electronics, rack stored. Super clean. Call Steve



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