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The first day of the 20th Annual Capt. Steve Harman's Poor Girls Open had the scale at Bahia Marina looking like a crime scene with the remnants of 13 bigeye tunas weighed on opening day. The lady anglers on the "Absolut Pleasure", fishing with Capt. Willie Zimmerman and mate Justin Hart, were one of the teams who had an exceptional day, complimenting their 2 bigeye tunas with 4 billfish releases. Samantha Widgeon and Shannon Simpson each recorded a blue marlin release and Amanda Cropper and Audrey Windsor tacked on 2 white marlin releases to win 1st place in the Billfish Division and a check for \$32,000. Amanda boated a 133.7 lb. bigeye and Colleen Bromwell muscled in one that weighed in at 166.5 lbs. All of the fish were caught on trolled ballyhoo in 100 fathoms in the Washington Canyon. Complete tournament results can be found starting on page 56.



Brian Smith from Dover, DE caught this pair of speckled trout while fishing with swim baits in the Lewes Canal. The largest speck measured 22-inches and weighed 3 lbs. 15 oz. on the scale at Bill's Sport Shop in Lewes, DE.



Jason Courtney from Arnold, MD, Cameron Miller from Dundalk, MD, Kirk and Kasey Baumgart from Edgewater, MD and Nick Miller from Pasadena, MD had a great day fishing on the "Jezebel" with Capt. Chester Sadowski and mate Frank Steuernagle. The group returned to Sunset Marina with 6 yellowfins and 6 skipjack tuna in the box, all caught on cedar plugs in 76-degree water in the Washington Canyon.



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Aryton Pryor, Jim and Riley Herald, Tommy and Paul Lebling and Beau Wilson had a productive day fishing at the subway cars at the Jackspot, returning with 2 cobia, 11 triggerfish, a spadefish and a sea bass. All of the fish were caught on cut bait except for the cobia, which were fooled with live spot. Pictured at Sunset Marina.

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Jason, Cameron, Lakin and Gail Shook from Cumberland, MD joined Trevor and Eric Rice, also from Cumberland, MD for a day of offshore fishing aboard the charter boat, “White Lightning” with Capt. Luke Blume and mates John Griffith and Travis Brown. The anglers boated a 192 lb. bigeye tuna, a 65 lb. wahoo and a yellowfin, all while trolling ballyhoo in 100 fathoms in the Washington Canyon. Pictured at Sunset Marina.

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Ocean City Fishing Report

by Larry Jock



A bunch of anglers were standing around the other day discussing what a strange fishing season it has been this year. Mother Nature has continually made things difficult, but when boats could get out and/or find clean water conditions, a good number of fish were caught.

The bigeye bite this year has been nothing short of phenomenal and hopefully, we will see an uptick in billfish action with the Mid-Atlantic \$500,000 rolling into town this week.

Last week was no exception, with tough conditions on Wednesday and over the weekend.

Poor Girls Open

This year's Poor Girls Open had 97 boats entered, and only 20 fished on opening day, but those who were there saw an incredibly busy and exciting day with 13 bigeye tuna weighed. The 1st boat to the scale was the "White Lightning", with 6 very happy anglers and 4 bigeyes ranging from 134.5 up to 155.9 lbs. Right behind them was "Rhonda's Osprey", with a pair of eyeballs that weighed 172.3 and 210.4 lbs. The next boat in line was the "Absolut Pleasure", who not only had 2 bigeyes (133.7 & 166.5 lbs.), but also 2 blue marlin and 2 white marlin releases. Right after the "Absolut



Last Thursday, Matt Saboy from Abingdon, MD, Matt Krumrine from Hanover, PA, Sean Fitzgerald from New Freedom, PA, Lou Sterlacci from Aylett, VA, Don Hoover from Cumming, GA and Ron Birthrong from Lilburn, GA had a memorable day fishing on the charter boat, "Marli" with Capt. Mark Hoos and mate Mark Stephens. The anglers caught 3 bigeye tuna (181, 205 & 219 lbs.) and 5 yellowfins while trolling skirted ballyhoo in the Washington Canyon. Pictured at Sunset Marina.

Pleasure" was the "Playmate", with another pair of bigeyes weighing 118.1 and 192.6 lbs. Things mellowed out a bit until the "Jade II" arrived at Bahia Marina with 2 bigeyes, the largest caught by angler Stacy Thomas, weighing 261.1 lbs. This tuna took the lead in the Tuna Division and never looked back.

Bigeyes weren't the only attention getter at the scales on the first day. As mentioned earlier, the "Absolut Pleasure" had a banner day and several

other anglers showed up with billfish release flags as well. Katie Tyler on the "M.R. Ducks" recorded a blue marlin release, north of the Poor Man's Canyon.

On the second day of the tournament, billfish releases dominated the action. Anglers on the "Fin-Ness" had a great day, releasing 2 blue marlin and a white marlin in the Poor Man's Canyon and ended the tournament in 3rd place. A short time later, the "Absolut Pleasure" arrived at the scale with 2 white marlin releases. One of the last boats to hit the scales on Day 2 was the "Tighten Up" with Lee Ann Spindler's blue marlin release and Lynn Runk's white marlin release, both in the Norfolk Canyon.

The Dolphin Division ended

www.coastalfisherman.net up being won by the team on the "Absolut Pleasure" when Christina Wells boated a 20.1 lb. mahi on the second day of the tournament.

Saturday saw very rough conditions, but there was one big leaderboard change. The "Knot Tellin'" headed down to the Washington Canyon, where Michelle Melson released a blue marlin and Donna Haffer, Abby Hastings and Michelle Ott each released a white marlin to vault the team into 2nd place in the Billfish Release Division.

Overall, it was another great Poor Girls Open capped off by a \$67,500 donation made to the American Cancer Society for Breast Cancer Research. Another remarkable thing about this tournament that some people aren't aware of is that it follows I.G.F.A. rules where anglers are not allowed to pass the rod off after a fish has been hooked. You will see from the pictures throughout the *Coastal Fisherman* this week that there were some VERY LARGE bigeyes caught that were comparable to ones that I have seen bring many guys to their knees. Hats off to all of the lady anglers who participated in this year's tournament.

Billfish

Most of the billfish releases recorded last week came from the Washington and Norfolk Canyons, but a few also came in from the southern end of the Wilmington Canyon and in the Poor Man's Canyon as well.

On Friday, the "Espadon" caused some excitement at the Sunset Marina scale when they returned with a 725 lb. blue marlin that was caught in the Washington Canyon. The fish was barely breathing after the hour-long fight so the anglers decided to bring it back and get the meat smoked.

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in on Monday aboard the “Wound Up”, who ventured south to the Norfolk Canyon on an overnight trip and had releases of 14 white marlin and 2 blue marlin in addition to boating a swordfish.

The water in the Norfolk Canyon looks to be pushing to the south and the water in the Wilmington is moving towards the Baltimore Canyon, so it will be interesting to see what strategies captains employ in this week’s Mid-Atlantic \$500,000. Another question is will the OC boats take over 90% of the winnings again this year?

Tuna

Catches of bigeye tuna have been incredible this year and last week was no exception. Early in the week, the “Reel Chaos” returned from an overnight trip to the Washington Canyon with 4 bigeyes and a dozen yellowfins in the box. On Tuesday, “White Lightning” pulled 3 from the bigeye hole in 200 fathoms in the Washington.

Mother Nature gave the tuna a break on Wednesday with rough seas keeping boats closer to home or at the dock, but on Thursday all hell broke loose. In addition to the 13 weighed at the Poor Girls Open, the “Marli” captured 3 between 181 and 219 lbs. in the Washington Canyon and several other single fish catches were made as well.

Bad weather on Saturday and Sunday put a kabosh on those searching for bigeyes and I did hear a rumor that the commercial squid boats hit the Washington Canyon very hard on Thursday night or Friday, so it should be interesting to see what affect it has on the bigeye action.

Yellowfin tuna were caught up and down the line last week with anglers hooking them on the troll and by chunking. The

“Pumpin’ Hard 58” did manage to get a longfin on Friday, a rare catch this year.

Flounder

It wasn’t a banner week for flounder fishing in the bay. A few nice fish were caught, but short fish dominated the action.

If you were really serious about catching a nice size flattie, then your best bet was to venture out of the OC Inlet and head to some ocean structure. Two notable catches came in on the “Moppet” and the “Jezebel”. Anglers on the “Moppet” went to the Old Grounds on Friday and had 7 keepers measuring up to 23-inches. Anglers on the “Jezebel” went out on Friday, but they decided to go to Fenwick Shoal where they ended their day with 15 flounder and 14 triggerfish in the box.

If you do have to stay in the bay, look for the deeper holes in the East Channel, both north and south of the Rt. 50 Bridge.

In the Surf

It looks like panfish are still dominating action in the suds. Spot, kingfish, small croakers, trout, snapper blues and redfish are keeping surfcasters somewhat busy during the day. If you are fishing from the shore at night, be prepared to catch sand sharks and spinner sharks with the occasional skate and ray thrown in to tire you out.

Fall surf fishing tournaments are right around the corner, so give the A.M.S.A. a call and check the local fishing tournament calendar for details.

Upcoming Tournaments

With the MA \$500,000 ending on Friday, the next tournament on the schedule is the M.S.S.A Beach N’ Boat Tournament on Saturday. Weigh-ins are at Ake Marine and will be held from 3:00 PM to 5:00 PM.











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In the 2013 Poor Girls Open held at Bahia Marina last weekend, Lee Ann Spinder (left) released a blue marlin and Lynn Runk (right) released a white marlin, both while fishing on the "Tighten Up" with Sophia D'Anna (center), Capt. Jason Genthner and mate Michael Murray. Both Lee Ann's blue marlin, pictured at top, and Lynn's white marlin were hooked in the Washington Canyon.

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"The kids just want to catch anything!"

We hear that all the time in the tackle store. Vacationers just want to give their children the experience of catching and releasing a saltwater fish of some kind.

If the children are really young, in the four to six-year old range, it's best to take them fishing in the bay. Northside Park has given many a child their first fishing experience. Go to your tide table and calculate when the tide will be high and buy some bloodworms, night crawlers, or artificial Fishbite bloodworms. Buy or make a rig with size #6 or #8 hooks, a 1 oz. bass cast sinker and walk out on the Pier. Northside Park is a free fishing zone as well, so adults can fish with their kids without worrying about getting a ticket!

If the kids are older and want to catch something bigger than a spot, take them to the 9th Street Pier, the Bulkhead from 2nd to 4th Street, the Oceanic Pier, the Ocean Pier or the Route 50 Bridge. You can catch little fish OR you can catch bigger fish from these areas.

I had a family in last week that rented two rods and reels and went to 9th Street for a couple of hours. They were just elated to catch a couple of skates. The kids had a ball.

Now if you and I went fishing, and caught two skates, we might be disappointed, but if you are from some inland state and your kids have caught nothing but a little sunny in a small pond, a hard-pulling, running skate could be exciting!

So if the kids want to catch anything, even if it's small, stick to the size #6 hooks baited with the worms. If you're after slightly bigger fare, go to size #4 hooks and bait up with shiners or squid strips. I like to use the box squid and cut it up into little strips. Then you can catch little sea bass, bluefish or flounder. If you want the kids to catch a flounder, get some high/low flounder rigs with size #2 hooks and use live minnows, shiners and squid strips. The hook will be small enough to still catch something else.

If you take the kids to the Bulkhead at 2nd through 4th streets, tell them to fish straight down, because they will get hung up if they cast way out. It's just the way it is down there!

Kids just LOVE to catch sand sharks! You can catch them from the Ocean Pier or you can always catch them casting from the beach. Surf fishing is fun for the family because there are no snags, there's plenty room for the kids to run around if they get bored with fishing and it's easy to do



Khalil Freiji, Tony Freiji and Dave Hynes were trolling ballyhoo and spreader bars at the Hot Dog when they captured this 60 lb. yellowfin and a couple of dolphin. Photo courtesy of Oyster Bay Tackle.

as long as the ocean is not too rough! (If the waves are too big, go to the bayside.)

Get yourself an 8 to 10-foot rod and reel combo, a medium-sized, high/low bluefish rig and a box of squid and the kids are ready to catch a sand shark! You don't need to get some huge hook and a chunk of raw fish to catch these smaller sand sharks! Put on a three to four-ounce pyramid sinker and cast out just beyond the crest of the wave. Go early in the morning, or better yet for sharks, go to the beach at 5:30 PM when the lifeguards go off duty and fish until dark or even after dark. Sand sharks, also called dogfish, do not have sharp teeth. Their skin is like sand paper and they are very strong for their size. Little kids love to pet them before you release them. Be sure to check out the sharks and make sure they are sand sharks and not

another variety with teeth that are usually larger and you want to treat with respect!

Be sure to use a sand spike on the beach. At our tackle shop, we see so many vacationers come back in with their reels not working because they get full of sand. The sand doesn't come from just falling in the dry sand, it also comes from submerging the reel in the wash where there's a lot of sand being churned up by the waves. Whenever you get a fish, put the rod in the sand spike, and then deal with the fish. Vacationers get excited, the reel goes into the ocean, and problems arise!

"We don't care about catching a sand shark!"

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cast in close. Anglers can even use a bay rod on a calm day. An eight or nine foot rod is perfect. Fish in close and you will catch spot, kingfish and croaker. Small, young children are just tickled to death to catch spot in the surf and fishing for them keeps them very active. The parents may have to cast out for the young kids. Tell them to hold the rod or simply put it in the sand spike and wait for the bite. Some people put a set of rod bells on the end of the rod and wait for the bell to ring! Sounds silly but it works!

"My older boy wants to catch a bigger shark!"

Well, get a longer surf rod, a single-leadered bluefish or shark rig made with a Styrofoam surf float to keep the bait off the bottom and cast out as far as you can with a chunk of mackerel, bunker or whole calamari squid. You can also use a chunk of fresh spot you caught on one of the smaller rods. You may also catch a big ray and these get HUGE! Be very careful if you get a bigger shark close to the beach. Bigger sharks have teeth! Be sure to carry pliers with you, and not a little short pair!

Good fishing!

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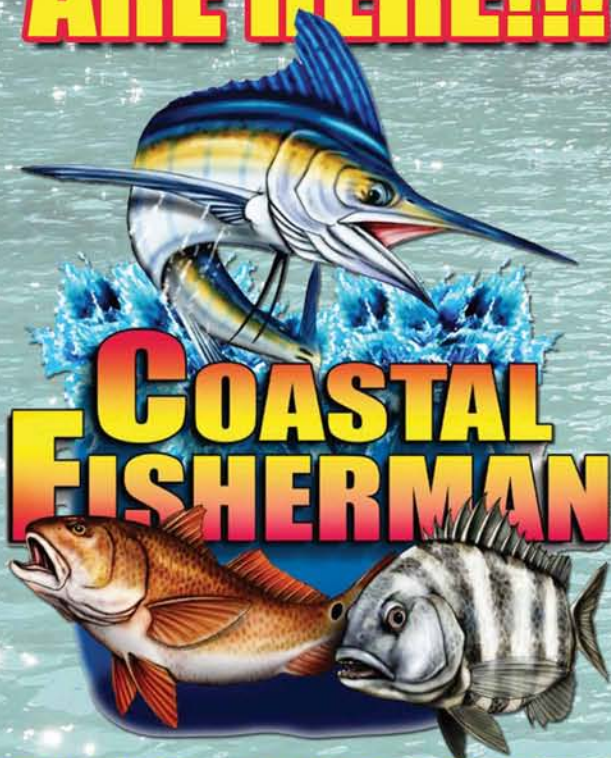


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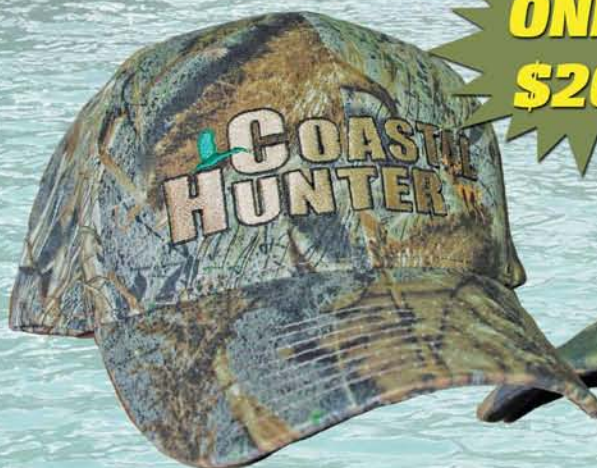
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Ilona Marques came all the way from France, and Hunter Leister had a somewhat shorter drive from Oley, PA, but both caught a keeper flounder while fishing on the head boat, "Happy Hooker" with Steve Whitelock and mate Cody Smith. Ilona's flattie was the largest, measuring 22-inches and was caught on shiners by Buoy #5. Pictured at the Talbot Street Pier.

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Amanda Ripple from Ocean City, MD and Chris Carr from West Ocean City, MD (both pictured) joined up with Dave Rivello and E.R. Bounds on the "Moppet" for a trip to the Old Grounds and were rewarded with 7 keeper flounder (4 pictured) and a sea bass. All of the flounder were caught on live spot and Amanda led the way with a 23-inch flattie. Pictured at Sunset Marina.



Jim and Barbara Dietsch from Ocean View, DE, Keith and Erika Mutchler from Berlin, MD and Byron Mutchler from Lewes, DE combined for 5 keeper flounder while fishing on the charter boat, "Get Sum" with Capt. Nick Clemente and mate Lizzy Brittingham. The flounder, measuring up to 19-inches, were caught on white Gulp! Swimming Mulletts in the Middle Channel, north of the Rt. 50 Bridge. Pictured at the Ocean City Fishing Center.

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James Coyner, Jr. and James Coyner, III ventured down from the Steel City and spent a day fishing on the head boat, "Flounder Pounder" with Capt. Chase Eberle. The anglers boated 2 flatties measuring 17 and 18-inches. Pictured back at the dock behind Hooper's Crab House.



Erick Vlasblom, Jasmin Vlasblom, Dan Connolly and Ryan Connolly, all from Ontario, Canada ended their day with 4 flounder in the box after fishing on the charter boat, "Ocean City Guide Service" with Capt. John Prather. The fish were caught on white Z-Man paddletail baits in the Fishbowl and the largest of the day measured 20-inches. Pictured at Castaway's Campground. Good day of fishing, eh!

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Hunter Rosetta from Upper Chichester, PA and Louis DeNaples from Scranton, PA teamed up to catch and release a white marlin, and each also caught a bigeye tuna, all while fishing on the charter boat, "Marli" with Joe Forte, Paul DeNaples, John Phillips, Tony DiLeo, Cory Meade, Capt. Mark Hoos and Mark Stephens. All of the action took place while trolling in the Washington Canyon with the 167 lb. bigeye and the 174 lb. bigeye coming on single bites. Pictured at Sunset Marina in West Ocean City.



Gene Rich landed this 52 lb. wahoo while fishing at the Hambone on the "Persistence" with Brian Richardson and Fred Smith. The speedster took 50 minutes to get to the boat after fighting it on a TLD 25.

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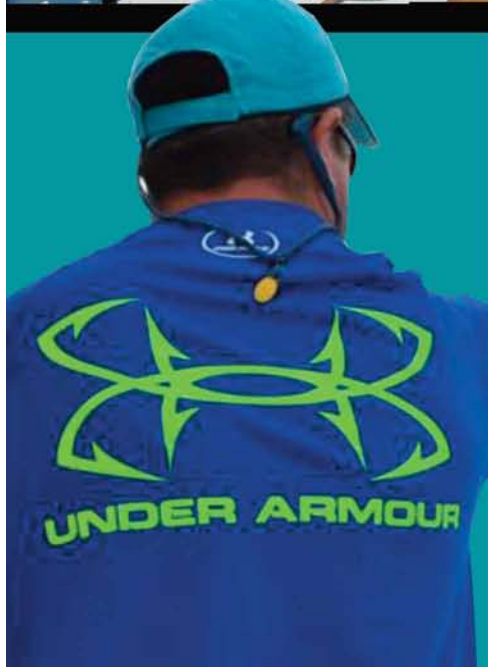
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Josh Slaymaker, Matt Purness, Capt. Brad Clubb and mates Ross and Grant Clubb caught a pair of bigeye tuna, weighing 133 and 161 lbs., and 2 yellowfin tuna while trolling skirted ballyhoo and spreader bars in the Washington Canyon. The group was fishing on the "Chain Reaction" and are pictured back at the dock at Sunset Marina.



Tom Hart from Ocean City, MD, George Easter from Randallstown, MD, Bud Carter from Boyertown, PA and Lou Drosey from Pennsburg, PA teamed up to land 15 triggerfish and a porgy while fishing with sand fleas, clams and squid at the ocean wreck, African Queen.

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Tyler Northsea and his dad, Bill Northsea caught 7 big flounder (3 pictured), while fishing on the party boat, "Morning Star" with Capt. Monty Hawkins. Tyler's 4 lb. 8 oz. flounder just beat out his dad's 4 lb. 3 oz. flattie. All were caught on cut bait.

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On Friday, Dan Verrette of Hillsboro, MD hooked this 725 lb. blue marlin on a blue and white Ilander/ballyhoo combination in the Washington Canyon while fishing on the charter boat, "Espadon" with Joe Schultz, Mark Bowen, Mike Laden and Bruce Chaney, all from Kent Island, MD, Rich Daiker from Reisterstown, MD, Capt. Sylvain Cote and mate Eric Strauss. The blue marlin died during the 1 hour fight and was weighed at Sunset Marina.

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The Old Grounds has been a hot spot for flounder fishermen recently, and that is where Bill Skoken of Salamanca, NY caught this 25 1/2-inch on cut bait while fishing on the party boat, "Morning Star" with Capt. Monty Hawkins and mates Mike Kinder and Jake Shaffer. Pictured at the OCFC.



Mackenzie Vosburgh, Kevin Hegarty, Billy Ashmore, Dave Buckley and Ray Jackson teamed up to land 3 bigeye tuna and 3 yellowfin tuna during a trip aboard the charter boat, "White Lightning" with Capt. Luke Blume and mate John Griffith. All of the fish were caught on ballyhoo and spreader bars and 2 of the bigeyes were hooked at the same time in 200 fathoms in the Washington Canyon. The bigeyes weighed 135, 150 and 192 lbs. on the scale at Sunset Marina.

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Site 11 off the coast of Delaware has been a good spot for flounder and sea bass recently, and that is where Capt. Eddie Wheedleton on the head boat, "Judy V." took his group. Tyler, Chris and Jacob Ham captured flounder and sea bass while fishing with squid and shiners. Photo courtesy of Hook'em & Cook'em.



Justin Shade from Annapolis, MD is ecstatic after catching a 4 lb. 8 oz. sea bass on a strip of squid at a natural reef. Justin was fishing on the head boat, "Angler" with Capt. Chris Mizurak and mates Dean Lo and Rich Fouts.

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Melissa and Kevin Stolfo from Schwenksville, PA and Jim Keil of Sewell, NJ took a trip to the Radford wreck aboard the charter boat, "El Shaddai" with Captains Bob and Troy Sylvester and were rewarded with 4 flounder and a load of sea bass. Since the ladies almost always outfish the guys, it was no surprise that Melissa had the largest flounder of the trip, a 25.25-inch flattie that weighed 5 lbs. 10 oz. on the scale at Hook'em & Cook'em.



Although there isn't a Wahoo Division in the Capt. Steve Harman's Poor Girls Open, that didn't stop Maddie O'Leary from landing this 68.1 pounder on the final day of the tournament. Maddie was fishing on the charter boat, "No Quarter" with Brittany Handler, Kelsey Kerrigan, Jessica Kemske, Capt. Kyle Peet and mates Jon Meade, Rob Smulski and Jimmy Hukill when she hooked the wahoo while trolling in 50 fathoms in the Washington Canyon. Pictured at Bahia Marina.

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Delaware Fishing Report

by Larry Jock



Mother nature threw a wrench into the fishing scene over the weekend. Anglers who were able to get out on Thursday found fish inshore and offshore from the Wilmington Canyon down to the Norfolk Canyon. Friday was decent until the afternoon, when things got chunky, and Saturday and Sunday were too gnarly to get anything accomplished.

Joe Morris at Lewes Harbour Marina said flounder catching remained pretty good for fishermen who figured out how to properly work Delaware Bay artificial reefs. Sites 6 and 7 at Brown Shoal were productive, as was Reef 8, the Star Site.

Flounder aficionado Joe Walker and his crew pulled 9 keeper flatties off Site 8 on Tuesday. Joe concentrated on Site 7 on Thursday for 8 more nice fluke. Captain Brent's flukers aboard the "Katydid" captured 19 quality flatfish at Site 7 on Thursday. Brent set a good example for his patrons by boating a 7.1 pound doormat himself. The "Katydid" returned to Sites 6 and 7 on Saturday where the group on board put 26 fine fluke in the box.

Ocean bottom yielded flatfish last week too. Scott Ayars fished the Old Grounds with Captain Ricky Yakimowicz on Wednesday and said that despite strong winds and lumpy seas, the flounder were chompin'. Scott ended up with



Andrew Gazzillo of Pottstown, PA caught this 7 lb. 3 oz. flounder while fishing on the "Sea Legs" with Chuck Gazzillo. Andrew's big flounder was caught on a squid and minnow combination at Site 10 and was weighed at Rick's Bait & Tackle.

three keepers weighing up to 3.61 pounds. Wayne Demarco and fishing pals Paul, Joe and Doug beat up the bottom between "DB" Buoy and Site 11 on Friday. Their efforts resulted

in a boat limit of 16 flatties. Wayne noted that a bucktail and smelt combo was the downfall of most of their fish.

Back in the Delaware Bay, croakers continue to please

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anglers of all skill levels. Hardheads were found just about anywhere in the Bay, in the Lewes Canal and Broadkill River, and along Broadkill and Lewes Beaches. Jack Thompson was winding in a small croaker he hooked from the Lewes Beach when it was inhaled by a 3.3 pound flounder. Saucer sized spot, puffers, spike trout and kingfish rounded out the panfish mix.

Sizeable kings continue to be recorded. Daryl Plotcher decked a 1.38 pounder aboard the "Angler", and Reilly Burnett boated a 1.2 pound citation earner on the "Indian".

A few black and red drum have also been caught. Jeff Drury got a 5.53 pound red using live killifish near the train bridge on the Lewes Canal.

After being absent most of the summer, schools of snapper bluefish showed up along the Outer Wall and Ice Breakers. Anglers encountered the scrappy snappers tearing through groups of silversides under diving gulls and terns. Tossing a small bucktail, Kastmaster or Gator Spoon into the melee resulted in plenty of action. Many casters use ultra light rods and reels for extra fun. Triggerfish, sheepshead and spadefish also roamed the rocks of the Outer Wall and would eat sandfleas, shrimp or clams. Triggers hung out on artificial reef structure too.

On the offshore scene, boaters told of whales, porpoises and baitfish in 30 fathoms between the Hot Dog and Tea Cup, but hooked only an occasional yellowfin or wahoo. Plenty of whales were reported in the Baltimore Canyon too, and trollers took a

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few tuna, billfish and mahi there pulling ballyhoo and plastics among the pods of finbacks, pilot whales and two tone porpoises. Whales were also abundant in the Washington Canyon, and that location seemed to hold the most yellowfins as well. Crews trolled among the feeding mammals, often in quite close proximity to other boats vying for a crack at tunas feeding below. The best tuna bite happened after dark when yellowfins fed actively on squid and tinker mackerel. Wes and Shane Olson ran to the Washington on Thursday night in their center console and set up on the east side near the tip. Within a couple hours they had chunked up their limit of 6 yellowfins and released a half dozen. Other crews also told of good overnights, with limits of tuna caught on live squids and tinkers, butterfish, sardines and a variety of jigs. The majority of yellowfins have been in the 30 to 32 inch range, perfect for battling on spinning gear or lightweight jigging outfits. However, 50 pounders and some slob bigeyes mingled with BLTs to keep the mix interesting.

To the south, Capt. Bert Adams at Hook'em & Cook'em said that the report for the Indian River Inlet hasn't changed much from the past few weeks. A few flounder are being caught, along with some stripers and rays. There was an 8 pounder caught over the weekend by an angler fishing with live bait. Just like in the Ocean City Inlet, flounder fishermen are dealing with a lot of short fish right now and the best location continues to be in the area around the Coast Guard Station. The end of the incoming tide has been the most productive and Bert said the window is actually narrower than that, like 10 to 15 minutes. The fish start snapping and then the bite is over. Very frustrating.

Those flounder fishermen heading outside the Inlet are finding luck at the Old Grounds in 85 to 95-feet of water.

When it comes to the best flounder bait right now, live spot or mullet is at the top of the list. Most of the spot are too large to use whole, so don't be afraid to strip them up. Flounder love em! If you can find live mullet,

than stock up on whatever you can. Live mullet has been hot. After that, Gulp! artificial baits and live minnows round out the top flounder baits.

Bert said that a few weakfish (trout) were caught in the Inlet last week, with emphasis on "few". Artificials tossed at the end of the incoming tide snagged the few weakies. No speckled trout were caught last week.

Jetty jockies are kind of upset right now, because our wonderful government has closed down the north side jetty due to dredging. Nobody knows when it will reopen, but I guess it didn't make any sense to just fence off the area around the jetty to let fishermen up on to the rocks during the popular summer months, because we all know the government is way smarter than us and always so considerate. Therefore, if you wanted to fish off the rocks, you had to go to the south side of the Inlet where anglers caught a few triggerfish, trout and stripers, although the vast majority of linesiders were too short to keep.

In the surf, the kingfish bite has slowed, with only a few being caught all week. Surfcasters are now limited to sand sharks, skates and rays.

The headboats running out of the Indian River Marina had good days on Thursday and Friday, before the bad weather moved in. Flounder fishing definitely improved with several anglers catching their limit last week.

Offshore boats out of Indian River Marina had good days up to Saturday when rough conditions kept most either closer to shore than desired or stuck at the dock. The Washington Canyon yielded some nice catches of bigeyes, with an occasional yellowfin and the Chicken Bone produced a 72 lb. whoo and some dolphin. Billfish were found scattered up and down the line from south of the Wilmington Canyon down into the Norfolk Canyon. We haven't seen any concentration of billfish, but this week's Mid-Atlantic \$500,000 should get a good number of boats looking. Stay tuned!

Until next week, tight lines.



Emily Wilber looks happy with the two 25-inch, slot size stripers she caught while drifting live spot in the Lewes Canal. Photo courtesy of Lewes Harbour Marina.



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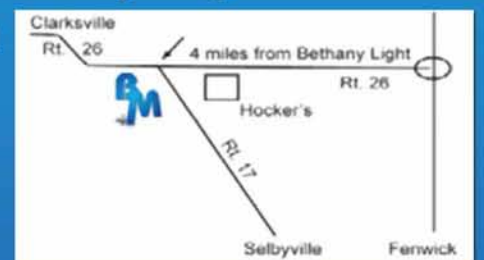
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There are items of electronics, if you have them, that you use almost every trip such as your radar, GPS/Plotter, VHF radio and autopilot. But there are others that you hope to never have to use and, yet, may be the very thing that saves your life on that bad day at sea. What if your boat catches on fire or starts to sink? What if you lose your engine power and you are drifting further offshore? That's just two possible scenarios.

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Beacon) or PLB (Personal Locator Beacon). Both devices work on the same general principle. When activated, they send a signal to a satellite which, in turn, relays to the Coast Guard ground stations in your area to start the process of a search and rescue mission. This all happens very quickly and can mean the difference between life and death.

EPIRB's have come down in price considerably in recent years and PLB's are quite reasonably priced. What is fairly new is the introduction of a service by ACR, one of the most popular manufacturers of EPIRB's and PLB's. This service is named 406link, a satellite testing system used to receive and verify self-test notifications from your emergency position device. Under normal practice, the purchaser of an EPIRB/PLB will occasionally "test" their device according to the device's instructions. It is generally a switch or toggle that you press quickly which lights a strobe momentarily to tell you the unit is functioning. However, it is only testing the internal circuitry of the unit and the "test only" signal it sends. When it is received by a satellite and sent to the ground station, it is ignored as just a test. Beyond that, you just have to trust that, when you need it in a real emergency, it will operate properly.

What the 406link service does is allow you to actually send a signal just like your emergency one. The only difference is that it is specially encoded as a self-test



Josh Allison from Hanover, MD and Ben Taylor from Virginia Beach, VA each caught and released their first white marlin while fishing on the charter boat, "Marli" with Capt. Mark Hoos and mate Mark Stephens. The whites were hooked on trolled ballyhoo in 300 fathoms between the Poor Man's and Washington Canyons. Pictured at Sunset Marina.

registered beacon signal that will go to special 406link ground stations and is decoded in the same way that a real emergency message is done. In seconds, these stations process the information and send you an email and/or a SMS text message confirming your device serial number, emergency contact information, etc. There is a cost involved with this but it is minimal.

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The purchase of this service is separate from the purchase of the EPIRB/PLB. It is accomplished easily by going online after you purchase your ACR device and entering the required information about your contact email address and/or cell phone number along with a credit card for payment of your subscription.

If you don't have an EPIRB or PLB yet, they are something that you really should consider. Starting at only \$315, they are affordable. If you already have a later model ACR unit, all you have to do is go online at www.406link.com and register it. What is your life worth?

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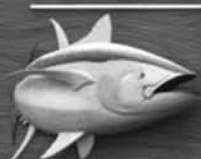
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FISH OF THE WEEK

Brian Smith

3 lb. 15 oz. speckled trout



Ron Kolonick from Shamokin, PA was fishing with a minnow and squid combination in the Indian River Inlet when he hooked into this 23-inch, 5 lb. 8 oz. flounder. Weighed at Bill's Sport Shop.

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Chum Lines

—by Capt. Mark Sampson



I think that some folks are inclined to consider bottom fishing as a very simplistic form of fishing that requires no more skill than being able to put a piece of bait on a hook, send it down and wait for a bite. But such thinking would be akin to saying that marlin fishing involves nothing more than being able to drag rigged baits and lures behind a boat. In both cases, anyone who does it often will probably agree that there are indeed times when it might seem that easy, but most of the time there's so much more to it than that.

Successful bottom fishing starts with getting the boat properly positioned over a productive location, and you can thank the captain and crew for that. But once they're on location it's all up to the anglers to do what needs to be done to get a fish to take their bait while avoiding the many of the following common mistakes so often made by novice bottom fishermen.

Don't neglect your bait!

Fishing with good bait is important, but so often anglers go way too long without changing old bait, or don't replace bait that has been nibbled down by crabs or small fish. It's also not uncommon to see anglers bring up a two-hook bottom rig that's missing a bait and send it back down with one hook still bare. Baits also have to be checked frequently to make sure that they haven't been

stolen off the hook. Anytime someone feels a few nibbles, and then "nothing", they should give it maybe one minute and then check their bait to make sure that there is still something left on the hook. Fish don't usually bite on bare hooks; so don't be lazy about checking your bait.

Don't cast!

If you're anchored up over a wreck or reef, the last thing you want to do is drag your hooks across the structure and risk getting snagged. Casting across the structure only increases the chances of getting hung up. Wreck fishing for sea bass and tautog almost always requires that anglers drop straight down and bring their line back straight up. Casting from a drifting boat makes no sense at all, because to properly feel a bite you want your rig to be as straight down below you as possible, not way out in front of you. When fishing around other anglers, the chances of tangling up with someone greatly increases when an angler decides they need to cast.

Use the proper amount of weight.

To properly get a rig to the bottom and to be able to feel the bites and subtle nibbles of fish on their bait, anglers should strive to maintain a straight line from rod tip to sinker. To accomplish this, enough weight must be used so that the line can be tightened and kept straight against the current allowing the angler to feel their sinker bounce

on the bottom anytime they lift and drop their rod tip. The weight of the sinker is determined by; the depth of the water, the strength of the current and the thickness of the fishing line. Braided line requires less weight than monofilament because it's thinner. From an anchored boat, anglers should add weight anytime they note that the line leaves their rod tip at an angle rather than going straight down. Too much weight is better than not enough, but it can get costly when anglers find they're losing a lot of lead due to snags.

You can't catch fish unless your line is on the bottom!

Particularly with children, a common problem is that they'll get a bite and immediately crank their line all the way to the surface thinking they might have a fish. Unfortunately, what they've done is pulled the bait away from whatever it was that was showing interest in their bait and also wasted fishing time by bringing it up and then sending it back down. When someone gets what they think is a good bite they should set the hook, keep their rod high and give their reel a couple of cranks, but then stop, or at least slow down the retrieve long enough so that they can verify that they have hooked a fish before cranking all the way to the surface. If a fish is not felt tugging at the other end, the rod tip should be quickly lowered and the bait allowed to settle back to the bottom to hopefully get a bite from the same or another fish. The flip side of that is getting a few bites, but not checking to see if the bait has been stolen, and end up fishing with no bait. Anglers just need to refrain from

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cranking immediately after the first bite.

Don't rest the rod on the gunwale!

Successful bottom fishing requires that anglers stay in tune with what's happening at the end of their line, which means being able to feel and if necessary, respond to, every bump, twitch, nibble and bite. With the rod resting on the side of the boat, these messages from below are going to be transmitted to the boat and not the anglers. The rod should touch nothing but the angler, and if he or she really wants to stay on top of their game they can keep a finger on the line coming off their reel just for a little "extra feel".

Don't keep letting out line!

While fishing from an anchored boat, once the weight hits the sea floor, 3 to 4-feet of extra line can be let out if you want your baits to sag closer to the bottom - but that's all. Letting out more line than that only allows the current to put a huge bow in the line that will eventually prevent the angler from feeling any bites and probably tangle with others fishing close by. From a drifting boat letting out more and more line after hitting bottom only increases the odds of snagging bottom and will eventually have the fisherman out of line. Drift fishermen must also be ready to let out or bring in some line anytime they go over a change in depth. If the line coming off the rod tip is more horizontal than vertical - there's way too much line out.

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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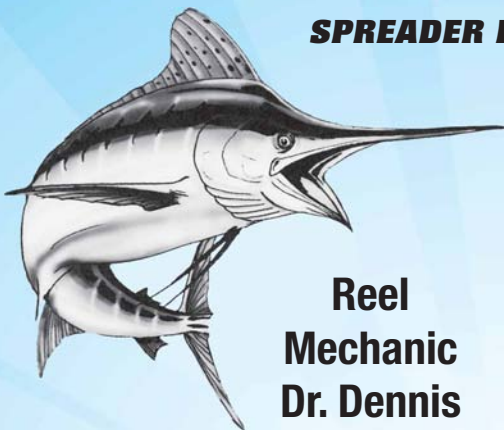
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It was "Bigeye Thursday" at the 2013 Capt. Steve Harman's Poor Girls Open with 13 bigeye tuna weighing on the 1st day of the tournament. Two of the bigeyes were caught on the charter boat, "Playmate" by Brooke Posner (118.1 lbs.) and Morgan Dashiell (192.6 lbs.). The tuna were caught in the Washington Canyon while trolling ballyhoo and spreader bars. Also fishing on the "Playmate" with Capt. Jeremy Shandrowski and mate Paul Daisey were Annie Benza, Meredith Moore and Alicia Mills. Pictured at Bahia Marina.

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DINING ON DELMARVA

The Galley

by Mama Jock



Striper Cocktail Appetizer

2 lbs. skinless, boneless
striper fillets
2 bay leaves
1/4 cup plus 1 tsp. lemon
juice
1 sliced lemon
1 tsp. salt
Pepper
1/2 cup chili sauce
1 1/2 tsp. steak sauce

Cube the striper fillets into
chunks about 1-inch square.

Boil a pot of water with
bay leaves, 1/4 cup lemon
juice, onion, salt and pepper
added.

Boil for 10 minutes.

Add fish chunks.
Cover and boil for another
10 minutes.

Drain fish and cool.
Serve as an appetizer with
a sauce made of the chili
sauce, 1 tsp. lemon juice and
steak sauce.

Maple Teriyaki Tuna Fillets

1/3 cup apple juice
1/3 cup maple syrup
3 TBSP. soy sauce
2 TBSP. finely chopped
onion
3 garlic cloves, minced
4 tuna fillets

In a small bowl, whisk the

first 5 ingredients; blend well.

Remove 1/2 cup for
basting; cover and refrigerate.

Pour remaining marinade
into a large resealable plastic
bag.

Add tuna; seal bag and
turn to coat.

Refrigerate for 1 to 3 hours.

Drain tuna and discard
marinade in bag.

Coat grill rack lightly with
cooking oil.

Place tuna on rack skin
side down.

Grill covered over medium
heat or broil 4-inches from
heat until fish flakes easily
with a fork, basting frequently
during the last 4 minutes.

Serves 4.

Swordfish Salad

1 cup extra-virgin olive oil
1 1/2 lbs. fresh swordfish
steaks or odd cuts, cut
into 1 1/4 in. cubes

1 large onion cut into
1 1/2-inch pieces
2 garlic cloves, chopped
1 each green, red and
yellow bell pepper, cut
into squares
3/4 cup red wine vinegar
1/2 tsp. salt
1 tsp. black pepper
1 TBSP. fresh oregano,
roughly chopped
1 TBSP. orange zest,
julienne
Dash crushed red pepper
2 TBSP. capers, drained
and rinsed
Fresh greens of your
choice

Heat half the oil in a heavy
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the swordfish cubes, turning
carefully with tongs until
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Remove browned pieces
individually and place in
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Heat the remaining oil in the same skillet.

Add the onion; saute for 2 minutes; then add the peppers and garlic and continue cooking for about 3 minutes, stirring occasionally.

Pour in the vinegar and add the seasonings.

Cook 5 more minutes.

Adjust salt.

Pour over swordfish.

Sprinkle capers on top and chill covered, for at least 4 hrs.

Serve over fresh greens.

Serves 4-6.

Bubbly Bluefish

4 bluefish fillets
1 cup mayonnaise
1/2 cup horseradish
1/4 cup green pepper,
chopped very fine
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Place fillets on a buttered sheet of aluminum foil on a

broiler pan.

Mix mayonnaise, horseradish and green pepper.

Spread evenly over fillets.

Broil, 4-inches from the heat, for about 10 minutes.

The fillets will turn a bubbly brown and flake to the touch when done.

Serves 4.

Blackened Mahi-Mahi

1 1/2 cup butter
2 tsp. black pepper
2 tsp. red pepper
2 tsp. white pepper
2 tsp. garlic powder
1 tsp. onion powder
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The Galley, cont'd.

Combine dry spices in a dish.

Melt butter in a pan large enough to accommodate the fillets in a single layer.

Heat a large cast-iron skillet on medium-high.

Dip each fillet in melted butter; roll in spices to coat evenly.

Shake off excess and fry in skillet about 2 minutes on each side.

The spices are blackened by intense heat, leaving meat white and moist.

Serves 8.

Seared Scallops with Bacon

3 center-cut bacon slices,
cut into 1/2 -inch
pieces
6 cups, thinly sliced green
cabbage
1 TBSP. chopped fresh

thyme
1/2 cup water
1 1/2 cups chopped apple
4 TBSP. cider vinegar
1/2 tsp. black pepper
1 TBSP. canola oil
16 large scallops
1/4 tsp. salt
2 tsp. chopped fresh dill

Cook bacon pieces in Dutch oven until crisp.

Remove bacon pieces from pan, reserving 1 1/2 TBSP. drippings in pan.

Add sliced cabbage and chopped thyme to pan; saute for 2 minutes, stirring occasionally.

Add the water, scraping pan to loosen browned bits.

Bring mixture to a boil.

Reduce heat to medium; cover pan.

Cook 5 more minutes.

Stir in chopped apple and cider vinegar; cover.

Cook another 5 minutes.



Derrick Dellinger was surprised when he hooked this small hammerhead shark while fishing on the "PA Posse" with Brad Richwine. Derrick caught and released the hammerhead in the bay behind 14th Street.



Dakota Bittner was drifting with live minnows in the Thorofare when he caught this 3 lb. 3 oz. flounder. Weighed at Oyster Bay Tackle.

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Danny Sargent from Pittsville, MD caught and released this white marlin while fishing on the "Prospector" in the Washington Canyon.



Evan Williams and Judy Novak caught a pair of flounder while fishing with live minnows in the bay behind Assateague Island. Judy's fish was the larger of the two, measuring 21-inches and weighing 3 lbs. 8 oz. on the scale at Fenwick Tackle.

Stir in cooked bacon and 1/4 tsp. pepper.

Heat a large, heavy skillet over high heat.

Add oil to pan.

Sprinkle scallops with remaining salt and remaining pepper.

Add scallops to pan; cook 3 minutes on each side or until scallops are done.

Place 1 cup cabbage on 4 plates.

Arrange 4 scallops on each serving, then sprinkle each with 1/2 tsp. dill.

Serves 4.

Flounder Parmesan

2 lbs. flounder fillets

2 TBSP. lemon juice

1/2 cup grated Parmesan cheese

4 TBSP. butter, room temperature

3 TBSP. mayonnaise

3 TBSP. green onions,

finely chopped

1/4 tsp. Old Bay

seasoning

1/4 tsp. dried basil

Black pepper

1 dash hot pepper sauce

Preheat oven to 350 degrees.

In a buttered 13x9-inch baking dish, lay fillets in single layer.

Brush tops with juice.

In a bowl, combine cheese, butter, mayonnaise, onions and seasonings.

Mix well with fork.

Bake fish 10 to 20 minutes or until fish starts to flake.

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Adam Rones captured this 148 lb. bigeye tuna while fishing on the "Beauty Queen" with Eric Johnson, Ed Oldenberg, April Boothe and Bob Schaubert. The bigeye, a dolphin and white marlin release took place in 200 fathoms in the Washington Canyon.



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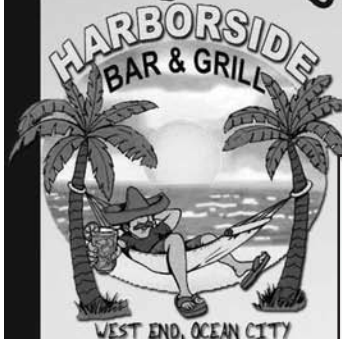
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Larry Wayne caught this 22-inch flounder in the East Channel while fishing with Denny Blessing from Oyster Bay Tackle. Larry hooked the fish on a live minnow. Photo courtesy of Oyster Bay Tackle in Ocean City, MD.

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WHEN: The contest runs through midnight, September 2, 2013 (Labor Day).

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Andrew Schneider was deep dropping cut bait in the Norfolk Canyon when he hooked into this 17.8 lb. bluefin tilefish. Weighed at Lewes Harbour Marina.



On opening day of the 2013 Capt. Steve Harman's Poor Girls Open, Brittany Vogel muscled in this 154.8 lb. bigeye tuna while fishing on the charter boat, "Moore Bills" with Amber Kelly, Erica Hergenroeder, Tina Gland, Jennifer Wojcik, Toni Louth, Capt. Rob Skillman and mate Steve Moore. The bigeye was hooked on a trolled ballyhoo in the Washington Canyon. Pictured at Bahia Marina.



Carolyn Kennington and Melodie Carter each released a white marlin on the 1st day of the 2013 Capt. Steve Harman's Poor Girls Open. The anglers were fishing on the "Pool Party" with Terry Maguire, Debbie Minner, Sandy Gillis, Kim Messick, Capt. Bill Culver and mate Andy Culver. The white marlin were hooked on trolled ballyhoo in the Washington Canyon. Pictured at Bahia Marina.



Dusty Dashiell muscled in a 10.3 lb. dolphin and Katie Tyler released a blue marlin, both while fishing on opening day of the 2013 Capt. Steve Harman's Poor Girls Open. The fish were hooked north of the Poor Man's Canyon while fishing on the charter boat, "M.R. Ducks" with Kristin Hand, Brandi Zirckel, Tara Pitlowski (not pictured), Capt. Donnie White and mate Matt Hamilton. Pictured at Bahia Marina.



Participants in the CD Outdoors Fishing Camp took a flounder fishing trip on the head boat, "Happy Hooker" with Capt. Steve Whitelock and mate John Lewis, and Robert Waller, Matthew Martin, Gabe Knapp and Brody Bushnell each landed themselves a keeper flounder. The anglers were drifting near Buoy #5 in the bay behind Ocean City and used squid and shiners for bait. Pictured at Bahia Marina.



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Virginia Fishing Report

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



As summer begins to wind down, many favorite species are available along the Mid-Atlantic coast, and both the inshore and offshore fishing scenes are noteworthy lately. As for the weather, now we are watching more to our South for tropical developments as hurricane season takes hold.

There's some good news on the flounder front. With clearer water settling in over the past week, the summer's lethargic flounder spell finally turned around. Good numbers of flatfish are filling limits, with many ranging in the 20 to 23-inch range. The largest fish are coming from the 3rd and 4th Islands of the Bay Bridge Tunnel, with live bait and jigs donned with plastics and strip bait working well for anglers working structure. Drifters are also finding good luck with keepers scattered along lower Bay channels, deep water drop-offs, and near Buoys 36A, 42, and the Cell. Both the Lynnhaven and Rudee Inlet are also providing good catches of keeper fish this past week.

Cobia action is good with the fish grouping up to form pods cruising on the surface. Many of these fish are pushing to well over 50-pounds this week. The late summer trend of favoring buoys and bridge pilings is also gaining momentum. This pattern will only improve over the next several weeks as fall approaches. Sightcasters are leading the way, with plenty of fish to pick from, but choose your bait carefully, as these fish have been finicky lately. A few die-hard chummers are also scoring with a some decent fish.

Big red drum are providing excellent late summer, topwater action as huge schools of fish continue to roam near the entrance of the Bay. More catches of jack crevelle also came from these same areas last week. Black drum are still meandering around the islands of the CBBT, but won't be there for long.

Trollers are finding accommodating Spanish mackerel off the oceanfront, from Cape Henry to

Sandbridge. Small gold and silver spoons are the best lures for these fish. Plenty of greedy sharks along Virginia's coastal waters continue to provide some interesting catches. Be sure to review the regulations before targeting sharks.

Sheepshead anglers found good catches last week on crabs, clams and fiddlers, with some fish ranging up to around 13-pounds. More sheepshead are beginning to move onto the tubes of the CBBT, along with lots of big triggerfish. Spadefish are still around, but they are preparing to leave soon.

Croaker are providing good action lately in lower Bay waters and inlets. The bite out of Oyster is also hosting coolers full of nice hardheads from the deeper parts of the channel. Big spot moved into lower Bay waters last week, where anglers are intercepting yellow bellies near Ocean View and from Lynnhaven, Rudee and Little Creek Inlets.

The puppy drum action is still going on within most any skinny water location in Tidewater, with steady action within Lynnhaven and Rudee Inlets. These juvenile reds will hit a variety of baits, with fresh cut mullet and

Gulp! mullets the top choices lately. Good speckled trout encounters also occurred in these same locations last week, with the nicer specks responding on the Poquoson Flats, Back River and the Bayside and seaside creeks on the Eastern Shore.

Tarpon are still active in the backwaters of Oyster, but not for much longer. Amberjack are still available at the South Tower and some of the offshore wrecks, and jack crevelle will make a brief showing at the Chesapeake Light Tower soon. Deep droppers are still faring well off Virginia as boats continue to find a variety of nice tilefish, rosefish, barrelfish and grouper along the edges of the Canyon.

Bluewater anglers are elated with the offshore season so far this year. Hefty bigeye tuna are still around, along with solid yellowfin tuna. But as the billfish population builds into the area, boats are changing over to marlin spreads. Several white marlin, along with scattered sailfish, spearfish, and blue marlin were released last week. Nice gaffer dolphin and wahoo are also still adding some variety.

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

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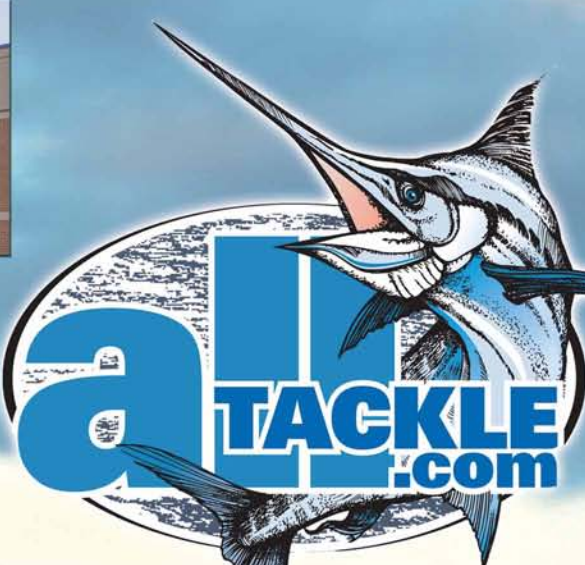
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Sea Bass 	February 2, 2013 Jerry Thadenfelder "Morning Star" 5 lbs. 9 oz.	January 8, 2013 Mike Behney Cape May Rocks 5 lbs.	Mako Shark <i>100 lb. minimum</i> 	June 9, 2013 Kelly Barr "Moore Bills" 209 lbs. 8 oz.	June 11, 2013 Robert Remo Fingers 130 lbs. 5 oz.
Tautog 	February 6, 2013 Arthur Guido "Morning Star" 18 lbs. 6 oz.	May 10, 2013 Robbie Hummel Reef Site 11 14 lbs. 10 oz.	Thresher Shark 	June 9, 2013 Shane Heimer Sausages 485 lbs.	May 27, 2013 J.T. Compton "MEGA-BITE" 252 lbs.
Striped Bass 	May 24, 2013 Zach Goodrich South Jetty 38 lbs.	April 29, 2013 Steven Matarese, Jr. Collins Beach 37 lbs. 12 oz.	Bluefin Tuna 	July 3, 2013 Mike Loudon "Espadon" 202 lbs.	July 6, 2013 Andrew Earle Hot Dog 200 lbs. 2 oz.
Weakfish 	May 16, 2013 Kate Yarzutkina Assateague Bridge 9 lbs. 3 oz.	April 28, 2013 Joel Robinson Lewes Beach 7 lbs.	Yellowfin Tuna 	August 8, 2013 Raymond Shirk Hot Dog 108 lbs.	July 28, 2013 Ralph Driscoll "Katydid" 107 lbs.
Speckled Trout 	April 28, 2013 Big Bird Cropper Assateague Bridge 3 lbs. 8 oz.	NEW August 17, 2013 Brian Smith Lewes Canal 3 lbs. 15 oz.	Longfin Tuna 	June 23, 2013 Mazie Brinker Baltimore Canyon 28 lbs.	June 12, 2013 Tom Ciconte Baltimore Canyon 23 lbs. 4 oz.
Flounder 	July 22, 2013 Bob Alexander "Morning Star" 7 lbs. 9 oz.	May 30, 2013 Phillip Chandler Indian River Inlet 11 lbs. 5 oz.	Bigeye Tuna 	July 27, 2013 Crew "Tighten Up" 286 lbs.	July 18, 2013 Jeremy Diehl Norfolk Canyon 271 lbs.
Bluefish 	June 23, 2013 Hugh Thomas Cropper Jackspot 13 lbs. 3 oz.	June 27, 2013 Jeff Gottshall Hot Dog 14 lbs. 10 oz.	Dolphin 	July 27, 2013 J.R. Smith Norfolk Canyon 50 lbs. 3 oz.	August 8, 2013 Robb Warfel Poor Man's Canyon 33 lbs.
Sheepshead 	July 15, 2013 Chase Eberle Inshore Wreck 11 lbs.	July 22, 2013 Kevin Klaube Haystacks 11 lbs. 8 oz.	Wahoo 	August 3, 2013 Mike Simelis & Dan King "Why Not" 105 lbs.	July 26, 2013 Alyssa Murray Poor Man's Canyon 71 lbs. 8 oz.
Golden Tilefish 	June 17, 2013 Gino Mautschke "Fin Chaser" 54 lbs.	July 6, 2013 Brandon Brown Poor Man's Canyon 37 lbs. 5 oz.	White Marlin 	NEW August 12, 2013 "Wound Up" 14 releases	Most Releases in One Day July 6, 2013 "First Light" 1 release

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Stacy Thomas captured this 261.1 lb. bigeye tuna to win 1st place in the Tuna Division of the 20th Annual Capt. Steve Harman's Poor Girls Open. Stacy was fishing on the charter boat, "Jade II" with Holly Melson, Katie Bohn, Shaquia Johnson, Shelly Lanier, Capt. Ed Kaufman and mate Bobby Layton. Stacy captured the 74-inch bigeye while trolling cedar plugs in the Washington Canyon. They also boated a 228 lb. bigeye during the trip to win 2nd place in the Tuna Division. The "Jade II" team won \$7,710 for their 1st place finish. Pictured at Bahia Marina.



In the 2013 Capt. Steve Harman's Poor Girls Open, Christina Wells captured a 20.1 lb. dolphin on the 2nd day of the tournament and held on to win the Dolphin Division and a check for \$7,710. Christina was fishing on the "Absolut Pleasure" with Jackie Kus, Katie Bucher, Julie Keenan, Dawn Engh, Leah Grosse, Capt. Willie Zimmerman and mates Justin Hart and Jamie Romero. The dolphin, and a white marlin release recorded by Jackie Kus, were hooked on trolled ballyhoo in the Washington Canyon. Pictured at Bahia Marina.



One of the last boats to arrive at the scale of the 20th Annual Capt. Steve Harman's Poor Girls Open was the "Knot Tellin'" after a great day of billfishing in the Washington Canyon. Donna Haffer, Abby Hastings and Michelle Ott each released a white marlin and Michelle Melson released a blue marlin while fishing with Gail Fowler, Liz Steedman, Capt. Bobby Kitchens and mates Scott Cropper, Tommy Fowler and Glenn Hastings. The billfish releases vaulted the "Knot Tellin'" team into 2nd place in the Billfish Release Division and earned them \$19,200 in prize money. Pictured at Bahia Marina.



The lady anglers had an incredible day of fishing in the 2013 Capt. Steve Harman's Poor Girls Open. They weren't content taking 1st place in the Tuna Division with a 261.1 pounder, they also won 2nd place with a 228 lb. bigeye caught by Holly Melson. Holly was fishing on the charter boat, "Jade II" with Katie Bohn, Shaquia Johnson, Stacy Thomas, Shelly Lanier, Capt. Ed Kaufman and mate Bobby Layton. The 68-inch tuna attacked a cedar plug in the Washington Canyon and took Holly 1 hour and 10 minutes to get into the boat. For their 2nd place finish, the "Jade II" team won \$3,726 in prize money. Also pictured with the team at the Bahia Marina scale is Cody Smith and Luke Bargar.



Stephanie Ostrowski caught a 16.2 lb. dolphin on the 2nd day of the 2013 Capt. Steve Harman's Poor Girls Open and ended the tournament in 2nd place in the Dolphin Division. Stephanie was fishing on the "Jenny Poo" with Sharon Pastorius, Jennifer Pastorius, Capt. Richie DiSanto and mates Buddy Sorace and Bobby Pastorius. The 2nd place finish earned the "Jenny Poo" team \$3,726 in award money. Pictured at Bahia Marina.



On the 2nd day of the 20th Annual Capt. Steve Harman's Poor Girls Open, Lisa Myers and Nan Gruden each released a blue marlin and Sherri Green (not pictured) released a white marlin to win 3rd place in the Billfish Division and a check for \$12,800. The anglers were fishing on the "Fin-Ness" with Capt. Marston Jones and mate Ryan Greenway when they hooked their billfish in the Poor Man's Canyon. Pictured at Bahia Marina.



JUNIOR ANGLER AWARD

Lily Phipps
13.8 lb. Dolphin

STATISTICS

Total Boats - 97
Total Anglers - 447
Total Prize Money - \$91,840
Days Fished
Day 1: 20
Day 2: 49
Day 3: 28

TUNA

1st Place
Stacy Thomas
"Jade II"
261.1 lbs.
\$7,710

2nd Place
Holly Melson
"Jade II"
228 lbs.
\$3,726

3rd Place
Michelle Blanchard
"Rhonda's Osprey"
210.4 lbs.
\$2,484

BILLFISH RELEASE

1st Place
"Absolut Pleasure"
2 Blue Marlin
2 White Marlin
\$32,000

2nd Place
"Knot Tellin'"
1 Blue Marlin
3 White Marlin
\$19,200

3rd Place
"Fin-Ness"
2 Blue Marlin
1 White Marlin
\$12,800

DOLPHIN

1st Place
Christina Wells
"Absolut Pleasure"
20.1 lbs.
\$7,710

2nd Place
Stephanie Ostriski
"Jenny Poo"
16.2 lbs.
\$3,726

3rd Place
Lily Phipps
"aquadance"
13.8 lbs.
\$2,484



On opening day of the 2013 Capt. Steve Harman's Poor Girls Open, Michelle Blanchard landed this 210.4 lb. bigeye tuna and held on to win 3rd place in the Tuna Division. Michelle was fishing on the charter boat, "Rhonda's Osprey" with Annette Guinter, Danielle Dumler, Helen Neisser, Renee Hill, Renee Shanahan, Capt. Joe Drosey and mates Brandon Baiocco and Dave Caffrey. The bigeye was 1 of 2 boated while trolling in the Washington Canyon. The other bigeye, caught by Annette, weighed 172.3 lbs. The "Rhonda's Osprey" team won \$2,484 in award money. Pictured at Bahia Marina.



On the 2nd day of the 2013 Capt. Steve Harman's Poor Girls Open, Lily Phipps muscled in a 13.8 lb. dolphin and held on to win 3rd place in the Dolphin Division. Lily, who was also named Top Junior Angler in the tournament, was fishing on the "aquadance" with Mary McLean, Kimberly Schlosser, Capt. Andy Schlosser and mates Mel McGinnis and Luke Phipps. The dolphin was caught on a trolled ballyhoo near the 461 Lump and earned the team \$2,484 in prize money. Pictured at Bahia Marina.



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The lady anglers on the charter boat, "White Lightning" wasted no time getting to the scale, showing up first in the 2013 Capt. Steve Harman's Poor Girls Open with 4 bigeye tuna caught while trolling in the Washington Canyon. Caitlin Bartlett (134.5 lbs.), Meghan Machen (142.0 lbs.), Logan Dow (144.3 lbs.) and Samantha Anderson (155.9 lbs.) each boated an eyeball while fishing with Amanda Mumma, Whitney Benton, Capt. Luke Blume and mates John Griffith and Eric Strauss. Although they didn't place in the Tuna Division, it was an incredible display of fishing. Pictured at Bahia Marina.

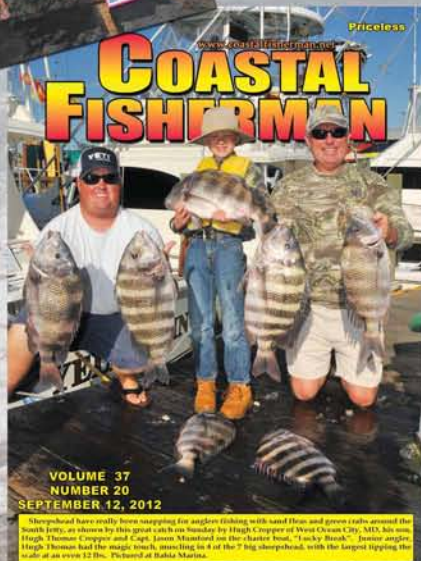


The 2013 Capt. Steve Harman's Poor Girls Open and the Harman family presented a check for \$67,500 to the American Cancer Society for Breast Cancer Research. Representing the tournament and the Harman family are Kathleen Harman, Shawn Harman, Joslyn Harman and Tournament Co-Chair, Early Conley of the Bank of Ocean City. Members of the Poor Girls Open/American Cancer Society Committee are Terri Young, Kendra Maccari, Dawn Hodge, Bean Keagle, Bev Furst, Sue Carpenter, Sue Childs and Susan Braniecki. Since its inception, the Capt. Steve Harman's Poor Girls Open has donated over \$542,500 to the American Cancer Society for Breast Cancer Research. Pictured at the awards banquet held at the Ocean City Marlin Club.

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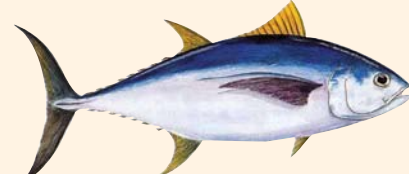
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Lisa Capitelli and Jessie Cropper each landed their 1st white marlin, Barbara Thomas caught a 4 lb. dolphin and Mary Ellen Smar landed a 6.6 lb. mahi, all while fishing on the 2nd day of the 2013 Capt. Steve Harman's Poor Girls Open. The anglers were fishing on the "Yellowfin" with anglers, Loretta Morrow, Dianne Cheng, Capt. Chuck Woodward and mate Jimmy Ruppert. All of the fish were hooked on trolled ballyhoo in the Poor Man's Canyon. Pictured at Bahia Marina.



The lady anglers on the "Pumpin' Hard 58" made a colorful showing at the scale of the 2013 Capt. Steve Harman's Poor Girls Open when displaying the longfin albacore tuna and 3 dolphin they caught while trolling ballyhoo in the Norfolk Canyon with Capt. Gary Stamm and mates Mike and David Burt. Pictured at Bahia Marina are Michele Hall, Shannon Kozlowski, Debbie Wilson and Sheryl Hoffman.



On the final day of the 20th Annual Capt. Steve Harman's Poor Girls Open, Stephanie Lisi, Kristine Warner and Jessica Pruitt arrived at the dock with 4 dolphin caught in the Norfolk Canyon aboard the charter boat, "Foolish Pleasures" with Capt. Dale Lisi and mate Kevin Kurtz. The dolphin weighed in at 9.7, 10.8, 11.2 and 12.8 lbs. on the scale at Bahia Marina.

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Tautog 	January 1, 2013 Mike Acito "Morning Star" Artificial Reef	January 1, 2012 John Murter "Morning Star" Artificial Reef	White Marlin 	June 15, 2013 Tim Hawn "No Quarter" Poor Man's Canyon	May 27, 2012 Grant Clubb "Chain Reaction II" Baltimore Canyon
Striped Bass 	January 1, 2013 Charlie Sitskorn "Slack Grabber" Little Fenwick	January 1, 2012 Josh Fallon "Patty Wagon II" Little Gull	Blue Marlin 	June 21, 2013 Adam Waddell & Keith Cook "Muff Diver" Baltimore Canyon	May 28, 2012 John Elmes "Reel Desire" Washington Canyon
Weakfish 	April 28, 2013 Joel Robinson Lewes Beach	May 12, 2012 Adam Ford Broadkill Beach	Bluefin Tuna 	May 12, 2013 Chris Gaba "Hook'n Up" Baltimore Canyon	April 29, 2012 Mike Sears "Wrangler" Baltimore Canyon
Flounder 	April 1, 2013 Kevin Weber "Patty Wagon" Sinepuxent Bay	April 14, 2012 Aric Gilley "Martini Time" Thorofare	Yellowfin Tuna 	May 17, 2013 Kenny Twilley "Muff Diver" Baltimore Canyon	May 11, 2012 Eric Myers "Foolish Pleasures" Baltimore Canyon
Bluefish 	April 21, 2013 Noah Graulich Cape Henlopen State Park	May 13, 2012 Big Bird Cropper Rt. 50 Bridge	Longfin Tuna 	June 14, 2013 Tom Ciconte "Tressa Lynn" Baltimore Canyon	None Reported
Black Drum 	April 11, 2013 Bill Powell Assateague Surf	April 20, 2012 Lennie Foxwell Assateague Surf	Bigeye Tuna 	June 10, 2013 Phillip Seidenstricker "Reel Addiction" Baltimore Canyon	June 9, 2012 Matt Boomer "Four Eights" Wilmington Canyon
Sheepshead 	June 10, 2013 Capt. Chase Eberle "Flounder Pounder" Ocean City Inlet	May 26, 2012 Robert Reno "Stroker" African Queen	Dolphin 	May 13, 2013 DJ BK "Salty Sons" Norfolk Canyon	May 1, 2012 Eric Polansky "Always Late Too" Baltimore Canyon
Thresher Shark 	May 26, 2013 Charlie Lutes "Shark Killer" Fingers	May 26, 2012 Baron Daiker "Tuna Tango" Fingers	Wahoo 	June 23, 2013 Brandon Cassady "Ridin' Thirty" Baltimore Canyon	May 27, 2012 Michael Willis "Karen Leigh" Baltimore Canyon

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Tash and Paul Lawder, Shanon and Andrew Tryon and Kim and Andy Holloway teamed up to land 20 yellowfin tuna while fishing in the Washington Canyon aboard the "LunaSea".

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Don Riggins from West Ocean City, MD, Tim Kane from Ocean City, MD, Capt. Chester Sadowski and mate Frank Steuernagle had a great day fishing on Fenwick Shoal, returning with 15 flounder and 14 triggerfish. All were caught on squid and minnows. Pictured at Sunset Marina.

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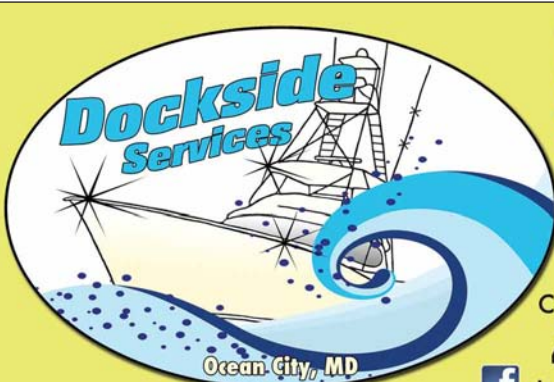
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Cody Crosswell from Pittsville Ford took his first trip offshore and spent the day with his father, Earl Crosswell aboard the charter boat, "Moore Bills" with Capt. Rob Skillman and mate Steve Moore. The anglers caught 11 yellowfins before 10:00 AM and headed in during a nasty thunderstorm. Pictured at the Ocean City Fishing Center in West Ocean City.

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TIDES AND MOON PHASES

OCEAN CITY INLET

Wed. August 21	Low 02:17 am Low 02:29 pm	High 08:40 am High 09:14 pm
Thurs. August 22	Low 03:03 am Low 03:20 pm	High 09:32 am High 09:59 pm
Fri. August 23	Low 03:49 am Low 04:11 pm	High 10:21 am High 10:43 pm
Sat. August 24	Low 04:34 am Low 05:04 pm	High 11:09 am High 11:25 pm
Sun. August 25	Low 05:21 am Low 05:59 pm	High 11:57 am -----
Mon. August 26	Low 06:09 am Low 06:56 pm	High 12:07 am High 12:47 pm
Tues. August 27	Low 06:58 am Low 07:55 pm	High 12:52 am High 01:43 pm
Wed. August 28 Last Quarter	Low 07:49 am Low 08:54 pm	High 01:42 am High 02:47 pm

Add 1.5 hours for bay tides at the Rt. 50 Bridge.

Indian River Inlet - add 25 minutes to high tide

Delaware Bay Entrance - subtract 1 hour 25 minutes to high tide
- subtract 45 minutes to low tide

Wachapreague, VA - add 4 minutes for high tide,
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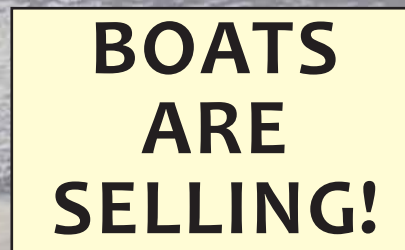
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