



Local boys Caden Schell, Brody Smith, Evan Burris, Dylan Mooney and Brugh Moore found themselves a nice mixed grill from the Massey's Canyon. They were trolling ballyhoo and came back to Hook'em & Cook'em at the Indian River Marina with a 38 lb. yellowfin tuna, 10 lb. mahi and a 52.6 lb. wahoo. Nice job boys!









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The past several weeks have seen some nice bigeye tuna brought to the docks. Capt. Chuck Levee, Paul Levee, Brian Jones, Liod Collier and Dan Erb took an overnight trip to the Washington Canyon on the "Leve'em Limited". They were trolling around 8am the next morning when they connected with this 225 lb. eyeball that hit on a chain on the way, way back line. The crew spent the next 6 hours fighting the fish!



The big flounder were thick last week for Delaware boats. For a moment John Crouse held the title for Heaviest Flounder for the season in DE with this 7.99 lb. fattie he caught at a natural bottom while fishing with Capt. Brent Wiest on the "Katydid" out of Lewes. His time in the sun was short however when we got a report of an over 10 pound flatfish caught a few days later! Pictured at Lewes Harbor Marina.



by Larry Budd

This Week Last Year

- The Big Fish Classic had 110 boats register and a record purse of \$1.22 Million. Most boats chose the 32 hour Friday to Saturday window based on the weather forecast for Sunday. Swordfish dominated the event and the big winner was the "Reel One" with a 301 lb. swordfish. This brute also took the top spot for Heaviest Fish, Stringer, Swordfish and Billfish! The top release boat was "Kilo Charlie" with 1,000 points.
- The inaugural Jimmy Johnson's Quest for the Ring was held in Atlantic City. Local boat "Roll Groove" dominated the event with a 679 lb. blue marlin caught by Darren Helwig. The "Fish On" took top honors in the Dolphin Division with a 36.7 lb. fish.
- The "Makowish" landed a 90 lb. wahoo in 30 fathoms

While the heat and humidity over the past week put the hurt on anglers, it did not seem to bother the fish offshore! The main catch from the canvons and inshore lumps remains yellowfin tuna. We also have seen some nice bigeves hit the docks over the past week, including our new Heaviest for the season. The "Wrecker" set another record with a 276 lb. eyeball they caught in the Washington Canyon last Friday. Outside of tuna, dolphin remains small with the larger ones caught last week in the mid teens. Billfishing is a whole other topic with this season continuing to see poor conditions. More on that below, so lets get to it!

Tuna

The theme over the last week would be 'consistent and larger with a lot of throwbacks'

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to describe the yellowfin tuna catch. We are in that time of the season where some captains are still chunking with cut butterfish at the inshore lumps while others troll in deeper canyon waters. The good news is that both methods everywhere.

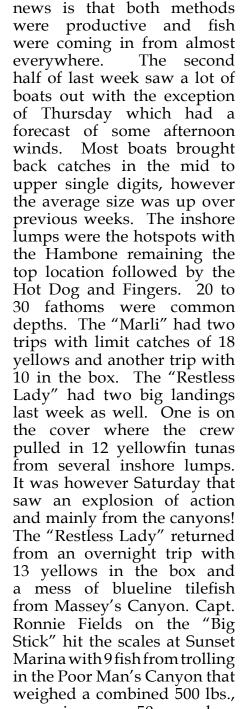
www.coastalfisherman.net piece. The "Capt. Ike II" out of the Indian River Marina got 7 yellows with the largest at 73 lbs. On top of the consistency of the bite and the larger sized fish, we had a new Heaviest Yellowfin for the season reported for Maryland. The crew of the "C-Team" caught an 89.2 pounder in Massey's Canyon using a 8000 class spinning rod!

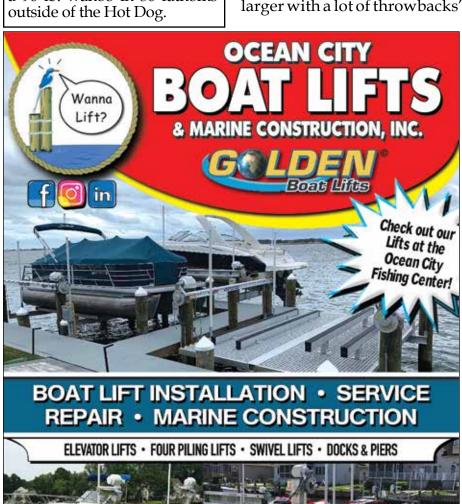
We had 3 reports of bigeye in this issue, all bending the scale at over 200 lbs. Most notable was the one mentioned above from the "Wrecker". The other two were a pair of 225 lb. fish caught on the "Outlaw X" and the "Leve'en Limited". Both were found in the Washington Canyon and both took over 2 hours to land.

Like last week, we had no reports of bluefins or longfins and little tunnys and bonitas remained in the mix.

Billfish

Billfishing remains tough. Clear gulf stream water and warmer temperatures remain with the gulf stream far offshore. Normally by this time of the year an eddy or 'feature' as Capt. Ronnie Fields calls them, would have broken off the gulf stream and brought some of that water closer in. We have just not seen many of those this year, and the ones we have seen are very short lived. For example, there was one on July 16th that was east of the Washington n about 90 miles The "Billfisher" took Canyon out. advantage of that and had 4 white marlin releases and a sailfish as we highlighted last week. The "Fishizzle" was also in the Washington that day and released a tournament sized 80" white. Otherwise,







www.coastalfisherman.net billfish catches have been sporadic with only a few whites being reported last week and a single blue marlin release. Early last week on one of the "Marli"'s big tuna trips, they also released a white in the Baltimore Canyon. The "Kilo Charlie" released 3 whites in the Norfolk and the "Loose Screws" released one at the Hambone that they caught on a jig! The lone blue marlin release, estimated at 250 lbs. was from the "Turnin' Fins" who were also fishing in the Washington Canyon last Wednesday.

The level of action is about to turn up as we formally enter Tournament Season. Over the next 7 weeks we have 6 major offshore events including the Big Fish Classic this weekend and the White Marlin Open, the Poor Girls Open and the MidAtlantic in August. Check out the details in the Upcoming Tournament section!

Until next week, I will see you at the scales! §

Upcoming Tournaments

- The <u>56th Cape May Marlin</u> <u>Tournament</u> is July 28th-30th hosted by the Canyon Club in Cape May, NJ. This is one of the oldest and prestigious release tournaments in the Mid-Atlantic. More at SouthJerseyTournaments. com.
- The next big money tournament in our area is the **Big Fish Classic!** It is the 9th rendition of the event and will be held July 28th - 31st. Unique to the Big Fish Classic is the 32 hour fishing window unlimited anglers allowed during that time. This allows for a lot of time on the water with most boats spending the night offshore from Friday to Saturday. Always lively at the scales with lots of entertainment at the Talbot Street Pier. Scales are open Friday & Saturday 4-9PM and Sunday from 4-8PM with awards & payouts following at 8:30PM. Be sure to check out the action and lively vendor village. More at BigFishClassic.com.







It was a nice father and son day for Nick & Raylan Miller. They were fishing with Capt. Chris Miller on the "Fishizzle" in the Washington Canyon where Raylan reeled in this 48 lb. yellowfin tuna during the Ocean City Marlin Club's Kid's Classic Tournament. Also on board were Cameron Mosmiller, Mike Mosmiller and Jesse Constantino.



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Young Eva Greenlaw & Sophia Perry from Whaleyville, MD with Payton Whitlock of Berlin brought some style to their daddy/daughter fishing trip on the "SKEETS" last week. They reeled in a nice gaffer mahi and 2 yellowfin tuna while fishing with their dads Rich Greenlaw, Twony Whitlock and Rob Perry with Capt. Stu Windsor and mate Chase. Pictured at their slip at the Talbot Street Pier.

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Rich Daiker and Kenny Schoen are finally at it again. They got offshore on Rich's boat "Delicious" and got their 2 man limit of 30 sea bass and 8 flounder fishing at ocean structures.



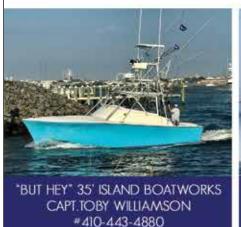
Andrew Knight, Drew Clarke and Cory Gibson fought this 89.2 lb. yellowfin for 2.5 hours on an 8000 class spinning rod (in the forefront) with Capt. Ryan Gibson chasing it down for 3 miles. Shout out to boat owner Jim Clarke for making it possible. The crew were fishing in the Massey's Canyon aboard the "C-Team" and are now the Heaviest Yellowfin for Maryland for the season! Pictured at Ocean City Fishing Center.

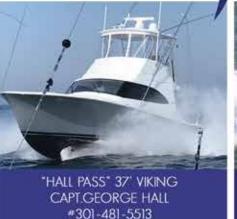


Don Wingate from Selbyville, DE has a lot to smile about from his trip with Capt. John Myers III on the "Last Call". The pair were just off the coast by the Sea Colony complex in Bethany Beach when he connected with this 52" and 56 lb. cobia using a Meat Hog Bucktail with Gulp.











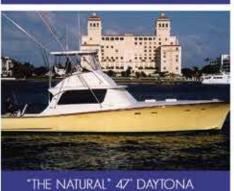


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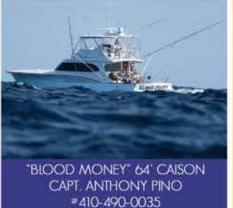
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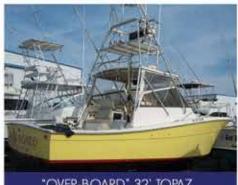
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OCEAN CITY FISHING REPORT by Capt. BJ Pietryak

Heat, heat and more heat! This was the story for the past week in Ocean City. Temperatures in the 90's and turbulent evening storms controlled most of weather. Many anglers chose to stay in the air conditioning and watch fishing shows rather than venturing out on the water. For those that did fish last week, although a little slow, the catch was fairly good. Flounder and sea bass ruled the inshore waters along with a few kingfish, cobia and spanish mackerel to finish off the bonanza of fish.

Sea Bass, Flounder & Tog Nearshore Areas

Sea bass remains fairly good despite the warmer water temps. The deeper wrecks like those of the Jack Spot and Great Eastern Reef are your best locations for keeper fish. The "Angler" headboat was out on the water with Captain Chris Mizurak reporting good catches of sea bass and flounder. He said that despite the hot water, sea bass can still be found on

the deeper wrecks in good numbers with some keepers thrown in. This is the time of year for throwback bass as many have headed for offshore waters.

Dave Sliwinski had a nice box of sea bass up to 2.5 lbs. Fish were caught on squid, clams and jigs. Also on the "Angler" was Bobby Telford with a limit of flatties up to 4 lbs. The "Angler" runs daily trips and is a family friendly boat with plenty of room to enjoy a day on the water. Just a note ... it's usually several degrees cooler on the ocean, and with temps still in the 90's this coming week, that could be a game changer! The Bass Grounds and the African Oueen Reef have been vour usual bunch of throw-back sea bass and flatties. If you pick through the small fish, keepers can be found. Fishing during the week as opposed to the weekend is always a good choice. Fishing early morning or late evening is also a good idea for bringing home a better catch.

The tog bite is slow as is

normal for the summer however, Captain J.D. Eddy of the "Green Reaper" found a nice keeper on a near shore wreck using sand fleas. Mary Eddy also caught a big starfish off the same wreck.

Inshore & Bay

The Assawoman Bay is full of summer boat traffic, but the water has been dirty making fishing harder than normal.

John Lewis of the "Happy Hooker" stated that the water clarity still rules the roost. When the water is clear they catch lots of fish. John reports a lot of the fish are ½" short and as Maxwell Smart said, "missed it by that much". John did say they are catching keepers on his trips, but with the dirty water and warmer temps fishing was a little slow.

For anyone new to Ocean City, the bay head boats such as the "Happy Hooker" are a great place to take the kids out for a few hours on the back bays. You get a great view of Ocean City and the kids can even catch a few fish. If

www.coastalfisherman.net you are lucky and head south from the city you may even see a few Assateague ponies on your trip!

The main Thorofare and East Channel have been the best spots for targeting fish. Tanner Adams of PA, caught 2 keeper fish on the West Channel using Gulp. Pat Degroodt was out this week and caught several flounder in the bay then went to Little Gull and caught triggerfish as well as 24" sheepshead. Nice catch Pat!

Spanish Mackerel & Kingfish

Proseus of "Ocean Arsenal Tackle" was out at Fenwick Shoals this past week and caught several spanish mackerel as well as a few bluefish. Ted stated that the macks would not touch anything on the surface and only wanted the smallest of Clark Spoons. A zero or double zero were the ticket on a #1 planer. Use about a 40 ft. leader off the planer to the spoon. Ted reported that most of the fish were right up on the shallow reef in the middle of the shoals. If you trolled east around the last wreck you would most likely be picked up by hungry small bluefish. Run 2-4 rods depending on the size of your



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www.coastalfisherman.net boat and remember, the line pulled on a planer has a lot of tension on it and will need a stout rod and reel to stop line creep.

Michael Halfen also was out at Fenwick Shoals on his center console late afternoon, and after a slow start due to the 100 plus dolphins, he did manage 2 blues as well as his first 2 macks of the season. A little further out at Jack Spot, Dave and James Weller trolled for most of the day and were rewarded with a 38" king mackerel. those who have never had it, king mackerel makes a great smoked fish dip and is often sold in the Florida Keys as a smoked wahoo dip. Try it, I guarantee you won't be disappointed. The Jack Spot has also been producing a good number of keeper sea bass and an occasional wahoo swimming by. If this warm weather keeps up it won't be long before we see mahi move into the areas inshore. The past couple of years have seen small mahi as close as the Bass Grounds.

Surf Fishing

Assateague Island was packed with beach goers and tourists. This didn't stop Frank Trovato from getting out on the beach and fishing late in the afternoon. Frank and crew caught a plethora of fish, including a way overslot redfish, skates, sharks and black drum. T received several reports of large redfish still in the surf ready to eat as the sun sets. Many rays, skates, and sharks are also patrolling the beach as the evening comes to a close so be ready to have a long fight on your hand if you fish the evening here. The further south you go on the federal beach the better your chances are of nailing one of these brutes.

Until next week...
Tight lines and fins up §

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Angler Jennifer Hanwell of Taneytown, MD got to enjoy a slick calm day at sea with her husband Walter on the "Sea-N-Double"! They fished around the buoys of the sea bass pots inside of the Lightship and snared a 12 lb. mahi as well as getting a 4 lb. flounder at the Old Grounds.



It was a day of firsts for Glenville, PA's Travis Smith, his wife Brandy and son Tyler. They headed to the Hambone on their boat "Loose Screws" where Tyler released his first white marlin on a jig and Brandy caught her first yellowfin tuna (50 lbs.) on her first trip offshore!





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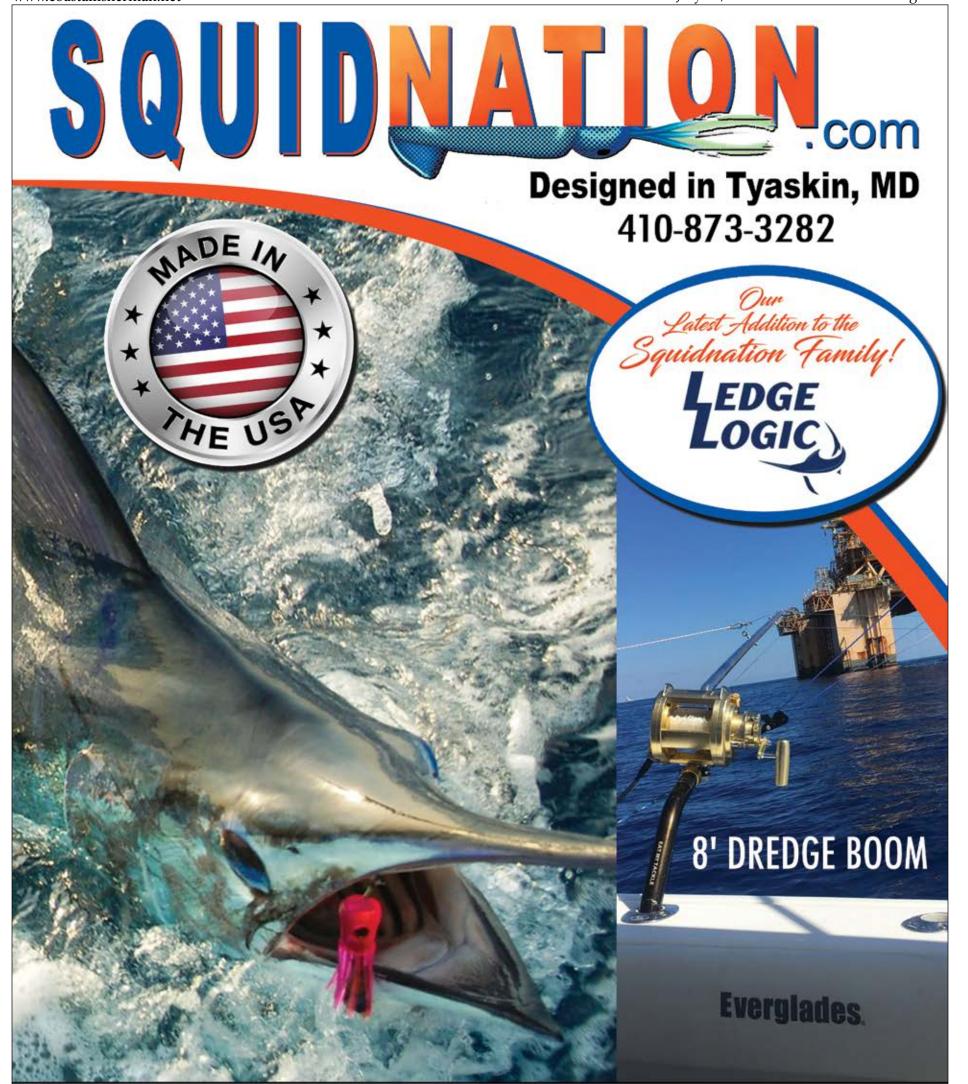
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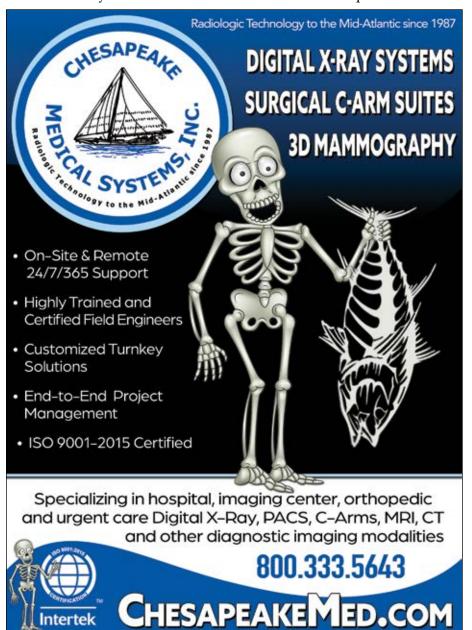
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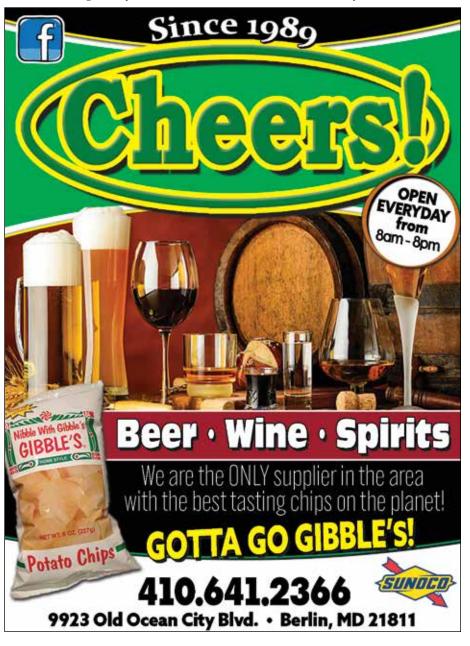


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With the big tournament season upon us, I am sure more than one fisherman will be happy to see this report of an 80" white marlin release! Cameron Mosmiller caught the big white, her first, in the Washington Canyon while fishing with Mike Mosmiller, Jesse Canstantino, Nick Miller and Raylan Miller on the "Fishizzle" with Capt. Chris Miller. The crew also put 6 yellowfin tunas in the box that day.





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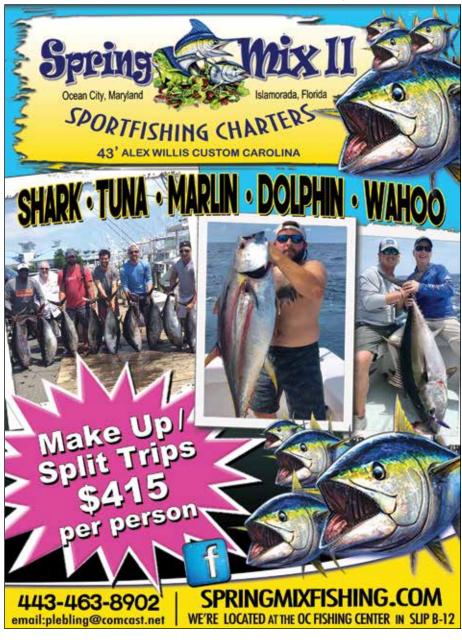


Milo Perrett with Hanna & Aiden Broderick caught 5 nice keepers in the East Channel using orange & pink Ottertail Curly Shorts. The largest was 19". They were fishing on the charter boat "Lucky Break".





It was a mess of mahi for this crew on the charter boat "Spring Mix II". Capt. Chris Watkowski with mate Jacob Bialk and owner Paul Lebling worked the sea bass pot buoys and put anglers Noah, Ace & Leo Lebling with Brandy Lovalvo and Steven Pratt onto over 20 mahi with the largest at 9 lbs.



FISHICCHARTERS



The yellowfin tuna bite has been pretty consistent this last week with a couple outstanding catches. One of those was from the charter boat "Boss Hogg" last week. Anglers Cary White, Mike Gombert, Pat Vaillant, Tyler Vaillant, Steven Fritsch and Allen Fritsch set up chunking in 30 fathoms at the Hambone and caught 10 nice sized yellowfins. The fish weighted a combined 516 lbs. with the largest at 68 lbs. Capt. Alex Beane was at the wheel with mate John Griffith in the pit. Pictured at Sunset Marina.



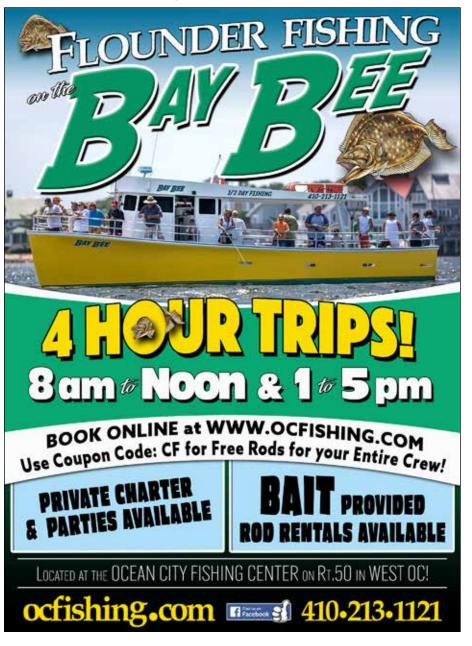


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Anglers Carole Durkin & Brad Durkin York of PA, Ryan Hale with Caroline Esslinger of Perry Hall, MD and Sharon & Matt Esslinger down from Bel Air, MD had a busy day on the charter boat "Get Sum"! Capt. Nick Clemente with mate Willie Poole had them all over the north Ocean City Bay jigging up 9 keeper flounders with Capt. Nick's signature white Gulp Swimming Mullets.





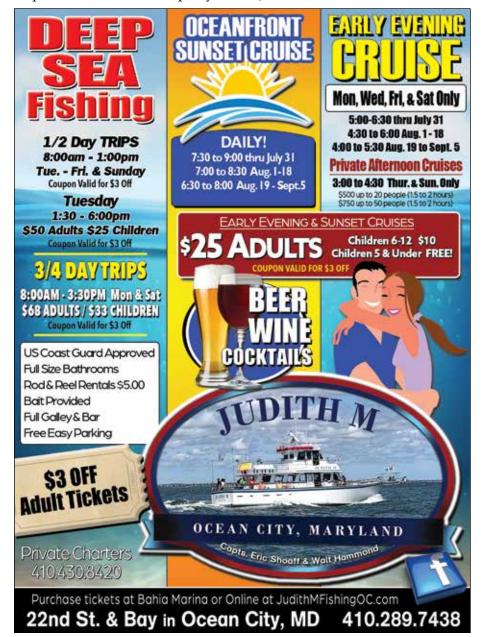




The sea bass bite is still snapping and Nathan Cook from Elmira, NY got in on the action catching a chubby knothead while fishing with Capt. Eric Shoaff on the party boat "Judith M".



We have not seen a lot of tog for this time of year, but JD Eddy of Ellicott City was able to snag a nice 6.3 lb. blackfish at an ocean wreck using sand fleas. He was fishing on the charter boat "Green Reaper".

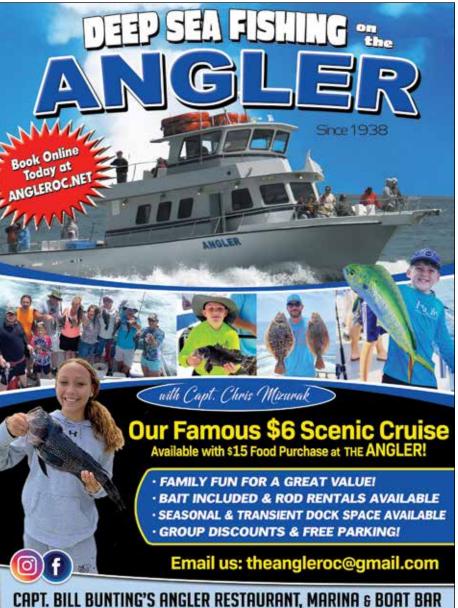




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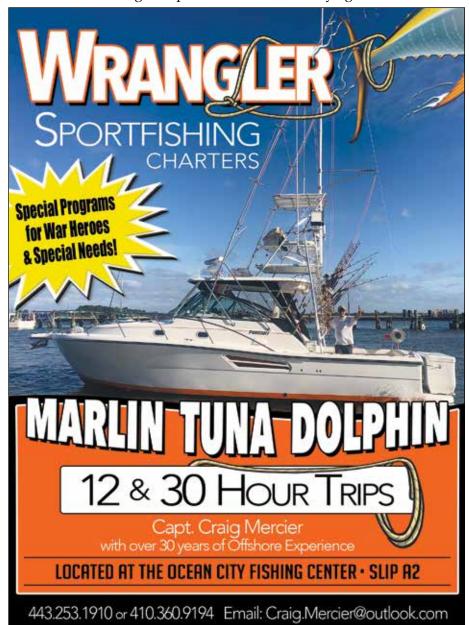
The flounder bite offshore remains solid with many taking advantage on headboats to get to the wrecks and reefs. Ken Chu caught these 3 keepers with Capt. Chris Mizurak on the "Angler" which is based at the Talbot Street Pier.



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It was a day for family on the charter boat "Wrangler". Capt. Craig Mercier took his 90 year old father, retired Colonel Charles Robert Mercier out to the Washington Canyon with Joe Chvati & Chuckie Mercier, and he out fished them all! The Colonel is a Vietnam war hero who survived being shot down several times, receiving a Purple Heart and earned a Flying Cross Bronze Star.

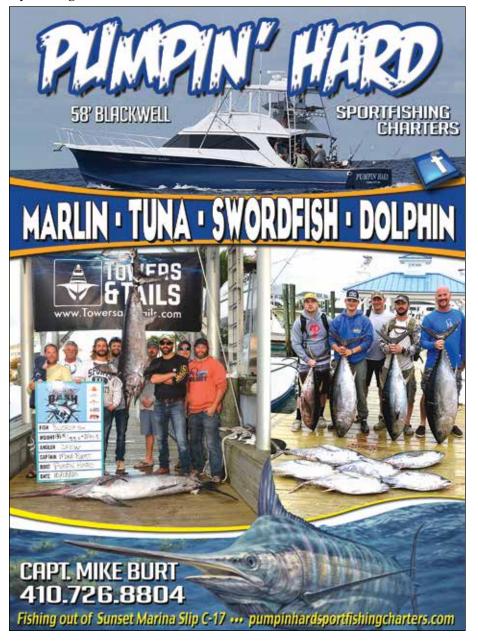


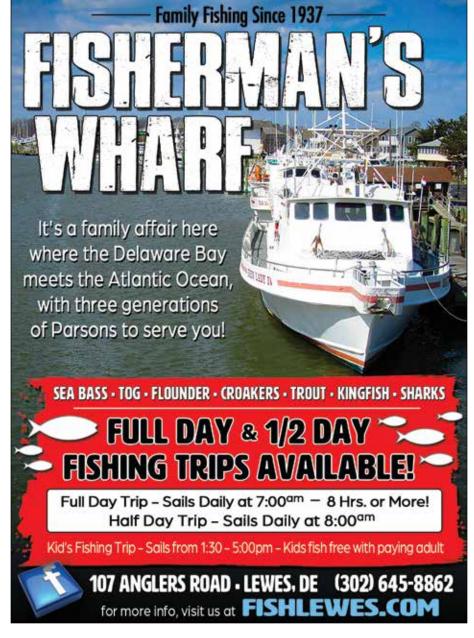
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It was a big day on the rip for anglers Mike Orchulli, Kyle Orchulli, Steve Parkansky, Craig Campbell, Mel Hofecker and Mike Gehr. They were fishing on the charter boat "Marli" with Capt. Mark Hoos and mates Jake Pilkerton & Jax (the cactus kid) Moore in the Baltimore Canyon. Their day was busy catching 10 keeper yellowfin tunas and tossing back more than 25 undersized fish. As if that was not enough, Kyle caught and released his first white marlin that was estimated to be 55" and around 70 lbs!





FSHRECHARTERS



Jeff Pail has the perfect wife, she gave him a fishing trip for his birthday! He and Mike Moyer with Dave Fredericksen headed down from Boyertown, PA to fish with Capt. Buddy Whetzel & mate Joey Collins on the charter boat "Bubblehead" They got these 2 yellowfins on a small llander and a Joe Shute while trolling in the Jack Spot in 45 feet of water. They had a couple other bites, but they did not come tight. Pictured at Bahia Marina.



It may look like one is hiding, but Frederick, MD anglers Dylan Hawse, James Sheckles and AJ Maher did catch 4 keeper flounder! They were on the "Lucky Break" with Capt. Jason Mumford working the East Channel on an incoming tide using minnows and white OtterTail Curly Shorts.









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Chum Lines by Capt. Mark Sampson

Many moons ago I had a friend and client of mine (known locally as "Hurricane Murray") latch into what proved to be a mako of about 500-pounds. Soon after hook-up the fish jumped and we realized the proportions of what we were dealing with. As the fight progressed I began to prepare for the end game by rigging the flying gaff, which prompted Murray to speak up and say, "You won't need that, I want to release this shark."

My mate and I were shocked! At that point in our career it would have been the largest mako landed on our boat, and one that we knew that 99% of our clients would have died to bring back to the dock. But when Murray said "release" I put the gaff away and rigged the tag stick instead. Four and a half hours later I planted the tag in the back of Murray's once-in-a-lifetime fish.

Murray was able to make the decision to release rather than keep that fish because he put "rational thought" before his own "ego". Knowing that the shark would provide more meat than his group could use, that the meat of a really large mako isn't of the same quality as the smaller ones anyway, that day Murray just wasn't up for killing a big old shark. For Murray, those reasons took precedence over the 15-minutes of fame he'd receive from having his picture and name splashed across the fishing papers, and I say, "Good for him!" And to be honest with you, when we tagged that shark and sent it on its way my mate and I realized the pride and satisfaction of knowing we'd been a part of a fishing experience few anglers "allow" themselves to know. Not a lot of people can

say they've caught such a fish even fewer have intentionally released them.

The reason to keep or release a fish varies widely from angler to angler. For some, any legal fish is going to end up dead in the fish box, while others habitually take a lot into consideration before wielding the gaff. Considering the edibility of the meat is nobrainer, because whether by size or by species some fish simply aren't very good to eat. Also, even though they may be "legal", sometimes the size of the fish can still end up being too small or too large on an anglers "ethical" scale. Sometimes the timing of the catch can be wrong, such as with vacationing anglers who may not have a place to properly keep fish fillets or steaks until they can get them back to their home freezers. Putting a little thought into what you decide to keep or release is the difference between being an ethical sportsman or someone who just wants to get some blood on the deck and his ego stroked back at the dock.

It's always interesting how some anglers will justify keeping a fish that they know should probably be released, with lame excuses to mask the truth that they just wanted to throw a fish up on the dock at the end of the day. At the weigh station one evening a friend told me that he normally have released 75-pound (but legal at the time) mako he brought in, but it was his son's first, so he felt he had to keep it. He made it sound as if releasing that fish would have somehow minimized his son's accomplishment. So, instead of learning a great lesson about the reasons for practicing catch-andrelease, I guess that his son got the message that day that it's OK to shift your ethics to suit your own needs.

A better example of a ridiculous excuse was a couple years ago fish, anglers will never when a fellow brought in a similar size make and said that make, or any other size fish, anglers will never if they listen to their constitutions.

www.coastalfisherman.net he only kept it because it was the first mako caught on his new boat. I suppose the "boat" would have been very upset if the fish was released!

Some of the most confusing examples of ethical standards being thrown out the window occur during big money billfish tournaments. On any given day of the summer, if someone were to bring in a white or blue marlin for no other reason than to eat it, they'd be lynched by fellow fishermen who are passionately opposed to anyone boating billfish. The hypocrisy of it all is that most members of such a lynch mob would jump at the chance to bring in billfish if the catch could win them money in a tournament. On one hand they attest that it's best that a species be released for conservation reasons, on the other hand they figure it's alright to kill the fish if they can make money on it - talk about selling out your ethics! And some of those same folks are very quick to bash commercial fishermen claiming that they "catch up all the fish for profit." It's really kinda crazy when you think about it!

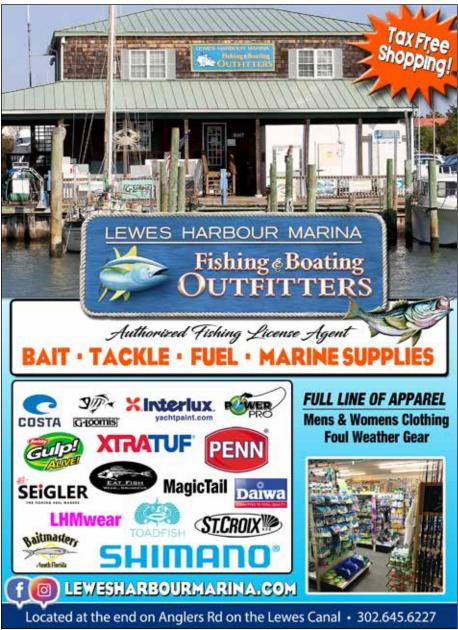
Now before anyone gets the wrong idea, for what it's worth, I'm not suggesting that there is anything wrong with bringing in billfish for tournaments or boating other fish that are legal and meet ethical standards. I do, however, take issue with anglers who seem to turn their morals on and off to suit the moment or the audience. I'm a black-andwhite kind of guy who figures that if a fish is too small (or too large) to keep, then that's it, and regardless of the angler's personal issues the fish should be released - period! Similarly, if a fisherman thinks it's OK to bring a marlin (or other fish) in for a chance to win a million bucks, then he shouldn't get all fired up and in the face of a weekendangler who brings one in to put a little meat on the table.

When it's time to make that life-or-death decision for an 80-pound white marlin, an 8-pound bluefish, a 500-pound mako, or any other size or type of fish, anglers will never go wrong if they listen to their conscience rather than their ego. §





Anthony Bertollo from New Castle, DE did not have to go far to catch this fat fish! He and his buddies Capt. George Prange and guide Danny Benjamin were fishing in the Lewes Canal on the "Stinky Pinky" using a top & bottom rig with white bucktails and 4" white Gulp. At 26" and 6.3 lbs. the fish would have taken 1st Place at the Paradise Grill Flounder Pounder if he had entered!









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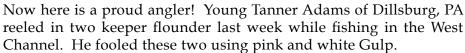
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It was a first trip to the deep for 9 year old Mitchell Harms of Tampa, FL. He and brother Will Harms (11) and Mason Farr (14) took a trip to the Washington Canyon and caught a pair of 44 lb. & 52 lb. yellowfin tunas using naked ballyhoos and a mini flopper.

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24"	-
48"	50 lbs. or 45"
34"	12 lbs. or 29"
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44"	45 Lbs. or 48"
18"	3 lbs. or 19"
45"	15 lbs. or 41"
24"	7 lbs. or 25"
35"	35 lbs. or 40"
14"	1 lb. or 13"
40"	10 lbs. or 26"
36"	45"
Any Size	-
20"	3 lbs. or 17"
20"	8 lbs. or 22"
22"	5 lbs. or 22"
24"	×
40"	44"
24"	7 lbs. or 25"
	24" 48" 34" Any Size 44" 18" 45" 24" 35" 14" 40" 36" Any Size 20" 20" 22" 24" 40"

	MD	DE **
Wahoo	60"	20 lbs. or 50"
Weakfish	24"	3 lbs. or 20"
White Marlin*	Any Size	Any Size
SHARK:		
Blue Shark*	Any Size	100 lbs. or 66"
Hammerhead*	Any Size	100 lbs. or 66"
Thresher*	Any Size	100 lbs. or 66"
Tiger*	Any Size	100 lbs. or 66"
Swordfish	Any Size	Any Size
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False Albacore	24"	12 lbs. or 26"
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Yellowfin***	50"	70 lbs. or 48"

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They get em' big in Delaware! Howie Alley and Jessie Norman from Newark, DE with David Hopkins of Magnolia, DE headed offshore on the "On a Rampage" from the Indian River Marina. They had a productive day catching sea bass and flounder, including this doormat that tipped the scales at 10.4 lbs. making it the current Heaviest Flounder for the region this season. Pictured and weighed at Hook'em and Cook'em.





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This past week in Delaware we saw the end of a great bay flounder tournament from Paradise Grill. Unfortunately, we did not see a cooling of the weather. Temps in the 90's again last week made fishing tough on everyone. Both the fish and many anglers went for cooler areas.

Flounder, Sea Bass & Tog

Congratulations to both Brandon Groce with his first place \$20,000 fish, as well as the top female angler and 6th overall, Laura Forester. I failed to mention the kids division last issue, so a big shout out to Brody Barroncliff with his first place winning 3.3lb flattie, Nicholas Warren with the second place at 3.1 lbs. and Hope Gensemer with a 2.9 lb. fish. All the kid anglers were from Delaware. Great job to all and let me say, that is some impressive fish caught by our youth!

Near Shore and Old Grounds

David Hopkins was fishing aboard "On A Rampage" out of Indian River Marina, and as always there was not a dull Captain Hopkins moment. and crew brought back several big flatties with the biggest at a whopping 10.4 lbs. with a length of 30" and girth of 23". Fantastic job guys! Many anglers spend a lifetime on the water and never come close to a ten pounder. Truly a fish of a lifetime. Welcome to the double digits club. Jesse Norman was the angler that brought in the big fish. He reported this was his 5th season fishing with Captain Hopkins and says he always puts them on the numbers.

Anthony, from New Castle, checked into Lewes Harbour Marina with a beautiful 6.35 lb. fish he caught using Gulp in the deep at an undisclosed location. Mike was fishing with Captain

Brent and mate Mike Cris on the "Katydid" when they got their first citation flat fish of the year weighing 7.99 lbs. caught on Gulp.

Captain Keith on the boat "Surface Tension" had a great week bringing clients back with big loads of keeper flounder as well as buckets of sea bass. The keeper sea bass were mainly caught on Nomad and Magic Tail Jigs. The guys also found a few stray mahi.

Billy Talbot caught his limit of flounder last week with some really stud fish. Wonder if he was using Gulp? Jeff Scurti was fishing the boat "Jay Sea 2" out of Lewes Harbour Marina and caught the biggest of the day with a nice 5.46 lb. fish measuring 26". Jesse Lerch was fishing with Captain Christopher Keller and caught a nice 5.5 lb. flat one near A Buoy caught on a homemade

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jig. Always a record catch when you catch a nice fish like that on your own jig, of course tipped with what? Gulp! Mike Wido and sons, Jake and Mike fished with "Bad Wind Charters" over ocean structure, and although fishing was tough they managed to box 15 keepers and got 2 personal best for the young men. Great job guys.

Indian River & Lewes Canal

Sawyer Wall, 2 years old, and Knox Wall, 4 years old caught their first keepers at 16.5" on an incoming tide while targeting spot with Fish Bites in Indian River. The boys were fishing on their dad's Carolina Skiff. Good to see families out enjoying all our area has to offer and teaching the kids at that young age. I have fished the ocean my whole life and don't think I caught a keeper flattie until I was about 8 yrs old. Great job boys as well as dad!

The back bays have been slow this past week as the high temps have pushed fish to deeper water. If you are targeting fish in the Indian River, try right along the rocks at the inlet where colder ocean water is coming



in. The couple of degrees cooler water often makes the difference in your fishing outcome. On the Lewes Canal, fishing was again slow last week with the warm water, however anglers that fished the incoming tide near the mouth did catch a few nice fish. On the canal, squid and minnows are the preferred bait in this heat.

Sheepshead & Others

Sheepshead remains great this year with multiple citations being brought into Lewes Harbor Marina every day. The rock walls of the Ice Breakers are the prime spot for these big fish. Scott Davis was out with Duck Hunter Dave on "True Life Charters" and brought home a citation 8.03 pound, 22" sheephead caught on sand fleas. Allen Fedale was also out at the Ice Breakers and managed his first sheepie. With all of the big fish being taken off the Breakers this year, the sand fleas are sometimes hard to find.

Many tackle shops in our area have the rakes for sale. Going out at a low tide along the beach and raking at the waterline will produce all you could need for a great day on the water. I'm not sure why all these citation fish are around this year but if you have never caught one before, this is the year for it. The fish fight very hard and are excellent table fare. Contact Lewes Harbour Marina for more details on how to target these fish and who the best guides are at their marina.

Clamming & Crabbing

Clamming was in full swing with many anglers hitting the normal spots near the VFW as well as Holts Landing. The best spot last week was the leading edge of grass along the Rt. 1 roadway from Indian River up to Dewey. With the surging temps, many clams are just below the sandy bottom and easy to find.

Crabbing also remained good, but with the summer heat upon us you should pull pots every 2 days instead of 3 due to low oxygen in the water. I have been averaging 28-35 keepers per 4 pots every 2-3 days this past week. We are finding most are larger males with about third of the catch being over 7 inches.

Until next week... Tight lines and Fins up §



Anglers TJ Haffelfinger, Billy Humpleby, Ryan Stetser and Jason Wardup made a run down to the Poor Man's Canyon from the Indian River Marina with Capt. Beau Fibelkorn and mate Jack Dennis on the "Skipjack". They caught these 4 yellowfins on Sterling Tracker Bars and Crazy Eight Daisy Chains. The largest was a hefty 62 lbs. Ryan also released a nice 72" white marlin that hit on a skirted ballyhoo.





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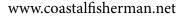


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Justin and Anna Wall have officially given their boys, 2 year old Sawyer and 4 year old Knox the fishing bug! Hopefully they have set up a Qualified Fishing Savings Plan for them. The boys caught their first $16\frac{1}{2}$ " keeper flounder on the incoming tide in the Indian River Bay.



It was a solid day of fishing on the "Kilo Charlie" for Pete Pendleton, Mitch Seitz, Bri Hoover and owner Chris Kinsley. Capt. Howard Lynch with mate Burro Gonzalaz had them in the Norfolk Canyon where they caught 3 fat yellowfin tuna and released 3 white marlin!



THE GALL Sy Chef Christine

Pepper Tuna Steak with Lemon Dijon Cream Sauce

Ingredients:

2 lbs. tuna steaks (6 tuna)

2 tablespoons coarsely ground black pepper

½ teaspoon salt

1 tablespoon olive oil

1 tablespoon butter

½ cup heavy cream

1 tablespoon dijon mustard

½ cup broth (chicken, beef or vegetable)

2 cloves of garlic, crushed

½ lemon juiced (about 1 ½ tablespoons lemon juice)

½ lemon zest

Directions:

Preheat a cast iron skillet over medium high heat.



While it's heating, rub the crushed pepper on both sides of the tuna steaks.

Also sprinkle a bit of salt on both sides.

Once the skillet is heated add the oil and then sear the steaks on both sides.

Sear each side for about 3-5 minutes without disturbing them. The time may differ

depending on how thick your steaks are. The meat will cook it's way up the steak from the bottom. So once it has cooked ¼ of the way up flip it to the other side.

Then take it out of the pan when that side has cooked ¼ of the way up but keep a very rare center

While the steaks are cooking, heat up another skillet.

Add the butter, cream, mustard, garlic, lemon juice and zest and broth.

Whisk and bring to a simmer.

Serve along side or over top steaks.

Rockfish Fillets

Ingredients:

2 lbs. rockfish fillets

1/3 cup butter

1/2 cup fresh mushrooms

1/2 cup blanched almonds

Juice of 1/2 lemon

1 Tbsp. chopped parsley

Salt, pepper and nutmeg to taste

1/2 cup dry white wine or water



Directions:

Preheat oven to 450 degrees.

Place fillets in a buttered pan, and season with salt and pepper.

Chop or slice mushrooms thin, and sprinkle them with lemon juice.

Chop blanched almonds.

Make a mixture of the softened butter, mushrooms with lemon, almonds and parsley; season with salt, pepper and a little nutmeg.

Add the white wine to the pan.

Spread butter mixture evenly and rather thickly over fillets.

Bake in a 450 degree oven for 10 minutes per inch of thickness of fish.

Serves 4 to 6.







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Ingredients:

2 lbs. mahi (4 fillets)

1 lemon, juiced

1/4 tsp. garlic salt

1/4 tsp. ground black pepper

1 cup mayonnaise

1/4 cup white onion, finely chopped



Breadcrumbs

Directions:

Preheat oven to 425°F.

Rinse fish and put in a baking dish. Squeeze lemon juice on fish then sprinkle with garlic salt and pepper. Mix mayonnaise and chopped onions and spread on fish. Sprinkle with breadcrumbs and bake at 425°F for 25 minutes.

Garnish with chopped parsley.

Old Bay Shrimp Boil

Ingredients:

1/2 cup Old Bay seasoning

2 tablespoons salt

4 quarts water

1 (12 ounce) can beer

8 medium red potatoes, cut in quarters

2 large vidalia onions, cut in wedges

2 lbs. smoked sausage, cut in 2 inch lengths

8 ears fresh corn on the cob

4 lbs. large shrimp, in shells

Directions:

In an 8-quart stock pot, bring Old Bay, salt, water and beer to a boil.

Add potatoes and onions; cook over high heat for 8 minutes.

Add smoked sausage; continue to cook on high for 5 minutes.



Add corn to pot; continue to boil for 7 minutes.

Add shrimp in shells, cook for 4 minutes.

Drain cooking liquid; pour contents of pot into several large bowl or shallow pails.

Sprinkle with additional Old Bay.

Pan Fried Sea Bass with Lemon Garlic Herb Sauce

Ingredients:

3 tablespoons butter divided

1 tablespoon extra-virgin olive oil

1.5 lbs. sea bass

1/4 cup all-purpose flour

1 teaspoon kosher salt plus more if needed

1/2 teaspoon black pepper plus

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more if needed

2 cloves garlic minced

1/4 cup dry white wine such as savignon blanc

1/2 cup chicken stock/broth or water, in a pinch

Juice of one lemon, about 2 tablespoons

1 tablespoon fresh oregano, roughly chopped

1 tablespoon fresh thyme, roughly chopped

1 tablespoon fresh parsley, roughly chopped

Lemon wedges for serving

Directions:

Pat the fish dry with a paper towel.

In a shallow dish, mix together the flour (1/4 cup), salt (1 teaspoon), and black pepper (1/2 teaspoon).

Dredge each piece of fish in the flour mixture, coating the entire surface, and shake off any excess.

In a large skillet, preferably stainless steel or nonstick, melt







1 tablespoon of the butter over medium high heat and add the olive oil (1 tablespoon).

Cook the fish in the skillet for 3-4 minutes on each side, until golden brown and fully cooked. Try not to move the fish too much, especially if you are using a pan that isn't nonstick, otherwise the fish may be more likely to stick to the bottom and not get browned as nicely.

Remove fish from the skillet to a plate.

Turn down the heat to low. Add the white wine (1/4 cup) to the skillet to deglaze, stirring up any browned bits. Continue heating until almost all the wine has evaporated.

Add one more tablespoon of butter to the skillet. Once it's melted, add the minced garlic (2 cloves) and fresh herbs (1

tablespoon each of oregano, thyme and parsley) to the skillet and sauté until fragrant, about 30 seconds.

Add the chicken broth (1/2 cup) and bring to a simmer.

Turn off heat and stir in seasoning if necessary.

Serve sauce on top of fish.

Tuna Steak Burgers

Ingredients:

1/2 cup mayonnaise

2 tablespoons adobo from a can of chipotle peppers

2 tablespoons minced fresh parsley

1 tablespoon minced capers

1 tablespoon minced shallots

2 teaspoons sherry or white wine vinegar

1 teaspoon grated ginger (grated on a rasp grater)

1 clove garlic, grated on a rasp

Kosher salt and freshly cracked black pepper

Tuna:

4 fresh or frozen tuna steaks, about 4 ounces each and 3/4 to 1 inch thick, at room temperature

Olive oil, for drizzling

Kosher salt and freshly cracked black pepper

remaining 1 tablespoon butter and lemon juice (about 2 tablespoons). Taste and adjust

4 brioche or potato rolls, split Butter, for the rolls 1 clove garlic, peeled

Butter lettuce leaves, topping

Pickled red onions, for topping

1/2 jalapeno, thinly sliced

Fried Shallots, recipe follows, for topping

Fried Shallots:

6 to 8 medium shallots, very thinly sliced on a mandoline



Neutral oil, for frying

Kosher salt

Directions:

For the chipotle mayo: Whisk together the mayonnaise, adobo, parsley, capers, shallots, vinegar, ginger and garlic; season with salt and pepper. Set aside.

For the tuna: Preheat a large grill pan on high heat until very

Drizzle both sides of each tuna steak with olive oil and season with salt and pepper. Sear the steaks on each side for about 2 minutes for medium.

Meanwhile, toast the rolls, spread with a little butter and rub with the garlic.

Spread both sides of each roll with the chipotle mayo. Then layer on lettuce leaves, a tuna steak and some pickled red onions, jalapenos and fried shallots.

Fried Shallots:

In a medium, heavy-bottomed pot, add the shallots and enough oil to cover by at least 2 inches. Place the pot over medium-low heat and bring to a low simmer, stirring frequently so the shallot rings separate. Cook at a low simmer until





most of the bubbles subside and the shallots are browned and crispy, 20 to 25 minutes. Use a slotted spoon or sieve to remove the shallots, place on a paper towel-lined plate to drain and season with salt. Let dry at least 1 hour. If the shallots are not completely crispy, dry in the oven at 200 degrees F for another 5 to 10 minutes.

Seared Kingfish with Fresh Greens

Ingredients:

1 Tbsp olive oil

1 clove grated garlic



Zest and juice of ½ lime

2 Tbsp. roughly chopped parsley

Salt and pepper to season

1 head broccoli, chopped

2 cups kale

2 Tbsp butter

1 lb. kingfish medallions, 3/4"thick

Lime zest, to serve

Directions:

Place the oil, garlic, lime and parsley in a small bowl. Set aside.

Bring a pot of salted water to the boil. Cook the broccoli, adding the kale in the last minute to wilt. Drain well, then place back in the pot and toss through the parsley mixture.

Heat a frying pan to a mediumhigh heat. Melt the butter and cook the fish for 3-4 minutes each side or cooked to your liking.

Serve the fish with the greens and top with a little extra lime zest.



Spicy & Smoky Tajin Margarita

Ingredients:

30 ml Mezcal

15 ml triple sec

30 ml lime juice

7.5 ml agave syrup

1 pinch Tajin

Directions:

Run a cut lime around the rim

of your old fashioned glass to moisten edge

Line the rim of the glass with Tajin (chile-lime seasoning)

Add all ingredients to your cocktail shaker

Shake with ice for 12-15 seconds

Strain over fresh ice

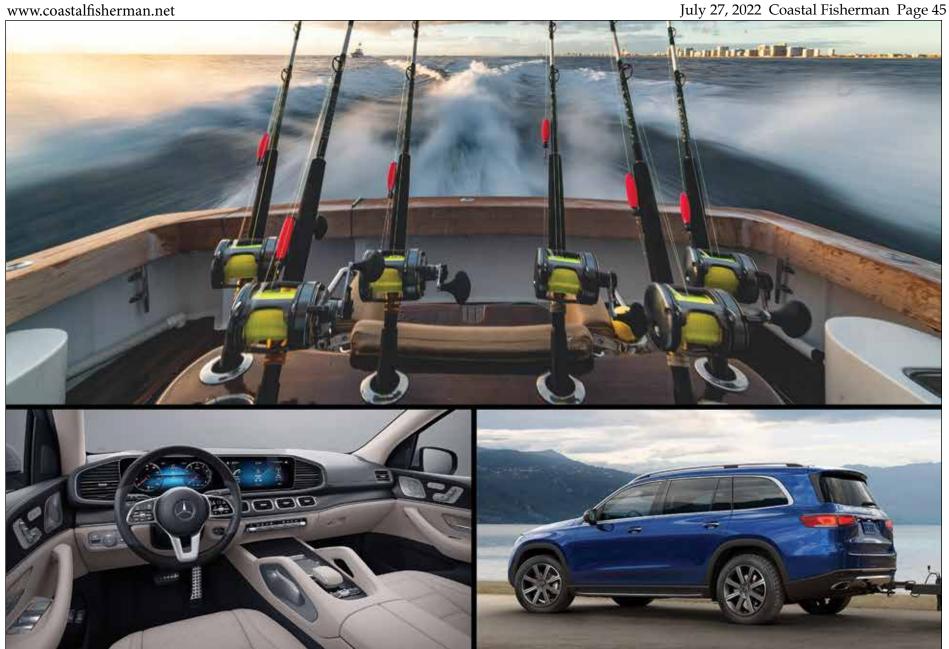
Garnish with a lime wheel Kick back and enjoy! §

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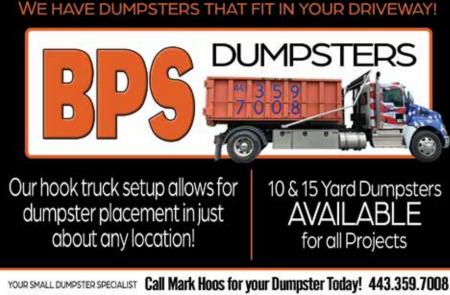


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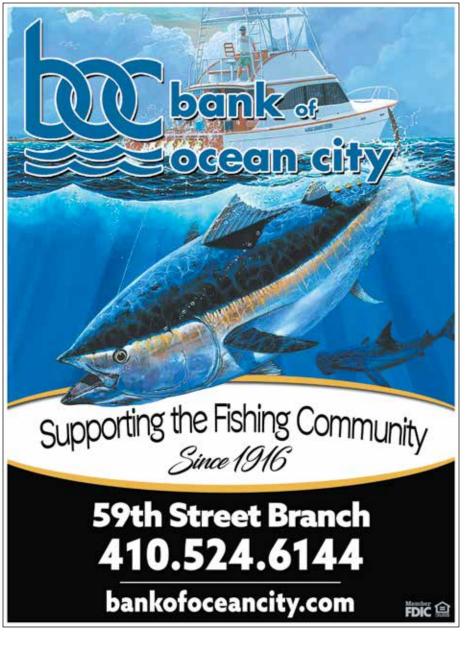
The toothy bait stealing ribbonfish have moved their way up the bay! While fun to catch they can take up your time searching for flounder. Joel Harrison from Timonium, MD found this 27" fish near the Rt. 90 bridge. He was jigging with 3" white Gulp.







Records are made to be broken and the crew of the "Wrecker" did just that last Friday. Capt. Bobby Layton had the boat in the Washington Canyon when the fish hit on a Tiagra 50 LRS with 60 lb. fluorocarbon line. The crew of Charlie Golden, Jamie Nickerson, Adam May, Bubba Burroughs, Travis Pyle and Nelson Bunting all worked together for 2.5 hours to get the fish to the boat and they also boated 6 yellowfins. The 276 lb.w eyeball sets a new record as the Heaviest Tuna for the season!



STEVE'S MARINE SERVICE by Steve Katz

Trailering

Watching people at the boat ramp is a spectator sport, primarily due to the chance of funny or serious events while launching or recovering a trailered boat. While one could write a book about events at the boat ramp, getting to and from the ramp is just as important. Just last week in Kent Island, Maryland, an incident occurred where the boat trailer became separated from the truck and the boat separated from the trailer. While I do not have any details of the timeline or cause of these events, the results are saddening - a twin engine center console with its hull coming to rest on the travel lanes of U.S. Route 50.

While many of us take for granted the hardware and skills needed to transport a boat to and from the boat ramp, there is a lot of equipment that makes it possible to do this safely.

Starting front to back:

The tow vehicle – The vehicle manufacturer publishes specifications regarding the towing ability and capacity of the tow vehicle. Some of this information is indicated on the "Safety Compliance Certification Label" permanently attached

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to the vehicle, usually located on the inside driver's door frame. This information may include GVWR, GCW, GAW and more. All these fields listed on the compliance certification label are pertinent to your car's towing capacity can include: Gross Vehicle Weight Rating (GVWR) – This is the maximum weight that is considered safe for your vehicle, as determined by the manufacturer. Exceeding

this weight can jeopardize the transmission, engine, brakes, and more.

Gross Combination Weight Rating (GCWR) – This number is the maximum weight that is considered safe for your vehicle and trailer combined. This includes people, luggage, cargo, and more.

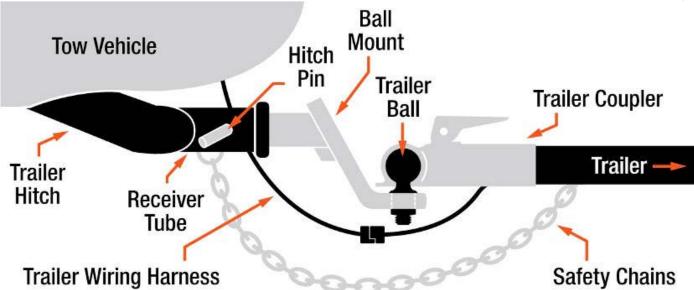
Gross Axle Weight Rating (GAWR) – this number is the maximum weight that is

www.coastalfisherman.net considered safe to place on your front and rear axles. Exceeding this weight can be highly detrimental to your vehicle and trailer.

When trailering, the Gross Combination Weight Rating (GCWR) is the key figure to determine the safety and legal limits of towing for your vehicle. There are many variations within a specific model vehicle that can alter the GCWR capacity such as engine type, pick-up bed size, cab size, drivetrain, and axle ratio. For instance, the popular 2019 Ford F250 pickup has a GCWR ranging from 12,300 to 18,000 lbs. depending on configuration. This information is published by the manufacturer for each combination of vehicle options. You will need to know the actual weight of your boat, trailer, vehicle, and cargo to determine if you are within the factory and legal limits and to be sure your towing hardware is rated for the expected weight load.

Driving your rig to a truck stop and paying a small fee to cross their scale is the easiest way to find out your weights – if you can, it is best to disconnect and weigh the vehicle and trailer separately, since that eliminates the weight transfer from the trailer to the truck through the hitch. It is nice to know these weights before law enforcement decides to bring the scales to you on the side of the highway.





The next key components in the trailering set-up are the connection between the vehicle and trailer and is made up of numerous components:

Trailer Hitch, Ball Mount, Trailer Ball, Hitch Pin, Trailer Coupler, Safety Chains and Trailer Wiring CURT, a popular Harness. manufacturer of USA-made custom trailer hitches provides some clear descriptions of these components:

Receiver hitch - A receiver hitch is a type of trailer hitch that bolts onto the underside of a vehicle, at the rear, and provides a tube for attaching a ball mount or other hitch accessory. Receiver hitches have a vehicle-specific design, a standard receiver tube size and fall within one of five hitch classes.

Ball mount - A ball mount is a receiver hitch accessory consisting of a shank and a trailer ball platform. The shank inserts into the hitch receiver tube, while the platform provides a solid mounting point for a trailer ball. Ball mounts come in a variety of styles and capacities. Some are fixed, made up of a single piece. Others are adjustable. Virtually all ball mounts come with a hole in the shank to accept a hitch pin or hitch lock.

Ball - A trailer ball is the connection point between your vehicle and trailer. It is made up of a metal ball and a threaded shank or stem. Connected to the trailer coupler, a trailer ball allows you to turn corners and travel smoothly over bumps and hills. Trailer balls come in a few standard sizes. This makes things easier when finding the right fit for your trailer coupler.

Hitch Pin - A hitch pin is a small metal rod that keeps a ball mount shank and other trailer hitch parts from sliding out of a hitch receiver tube. Typically, a hitch pin is bent in an "L" shape.

It is designed to insert into the side of the hitch receiver, pass through the ball mount shank and come out the other side. Hitch pins also have a hole on the end to accept a hairpin-shaped clip. The hitch clip is made from spring steel and keeps the pin retained in the receiver.

Coupler - A trailer coupler, is the front part of a trailer and connects to the trailer ball. It is designed to latch onto a trailer ball and articulate around it for smooth towing. Trailer couplers come in standard sizes, and many can be adjusted for a more secure connection. The size of the trailer coupler must match the size of the trailer ball.

Safety chains - A safety chain is a length of chain strong enough to keep the trailer from completely separating from the vehicle if ever becomes disconnected while towing. Two safety chains should be used on every towing setup. Safety chains are fixed

to the trailer tongue and have hooks that allow them to be linked to a vehicle's trailer hitch.

All the above components have a weight capacity rating, usually stamped into the metal of the component (except for hitch pins). As expected, all these components need to meet or exceed the weight of the trailer load you are towing.

Wiring - A trailer wiring harness is a length of wire at the back of a vehicle that allows its electrical system to connect to a trailer. Integrated with the vehicle's existing wiring, it provides a standard connector, such as a 4-way flat plug or round 7 pin plug. A trailer wiring harness is one of the most vital towing parts but can often be overlooked. It supplies power to the trailer lights and synchronizes them with the vehicle's tail lights. It can also be used to connect trailer brakes and auxiliary power. Besides the safety aspect, improperly operating trailer lights are a popular reason for law enforcement to stop you on the road and often perform other unplanned safety inspections.

seasonal review and maintenance of your tow vehicle and all towing equipment should be performed before heading to the boat ramp. Additionally, during towing trip, you should inspect the entire trailer setup before and after use at the ramp. §







We have not seen a lot of wahoo's this season, but the one's we have seen so far have been big! The biggest of the season so far was caught by Ryan Spillman of Bethany Beach last week in the Massey's Canyon. The speedster hit on a purple & black high speed bullet head. Ryan was fishing on the "Freedom" with Gil Hutzler, John Hays Matthai, Mollie Spilman, John Spilman, Joe Hutzler and Katie Novotny. Pictured at the Indian River Marina.

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CROAKER 9" minimum 25 per person/day



STRIPED BASS 28-35" Less than 3 miles from shore 1 per person/day



BLUEFISH 8" minimum 3 per person/day or 5 per person/day Charter



RED DRUM 18-27" minimum 1 per person/day



SUMMER FLOUNDER 16" minimum 4 per person/day



BLACK DRUM 16" minimum 1 per person/day up to 6 per boat/day



SHEEPSHEAD 4 per person/day



TAUTOG 16" minimum 4 per person/day 1/1 - 5/15 2 per person/day 7/1 - 10/31 4 per person/day 11/1 - 12/31



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Capt. Steve Gladwin with mates Steve Danner & Michael Hawkins trolled the Poor Man's Canyon early last week and hooked into this 14 lb. gaffer mahi and a couple false albacore. They then switched to some deep dropping and boated 250 lbs. of blueline tilefish! Pictured at the Ocean City Fishing Center.





It is important to insure your catch is legal, so we recommend always having your official 'measurement kid' on board. Colton Rhode from Berlin did the honors on this trip to the Poor Man's Canyon measuring his 62.6 lb. yellowfin while fishing with Capt. Josh Twilley and Kristin Quinn, Aydan Zimmerman, Piper Ehinger, Gabe Schmidt, Presley Twilley, Brooklyn Torrey and Charlotte Maxwell.



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Laura Foerster came to play during this year's Paradise Grill Flounder Tournament hosted by Paradise Grill in Long Neck, DE. She caught a 231/4" and 4.2 lb. flatfish in the Indian River Bay on the appropriately named "Money Drift" using a top and bottom rig with Fishbites 6" Fight Club bait. The fish earned a combined \$3,500 in prize money for Women's 1st Place and 6th Place overall!



We think Jeff Weeks should win some sort of endurance award! It had been over 20 years since he last caught a tuna when he and Dave Weller, both from Ocean City, headed out to the 20 fathom line. They set a 5 rod spread and got these 2 yellowfin tunas on a green machine and a ballyhoo with a blue & white Ilander skirt. Welcome back to the club Jeff!





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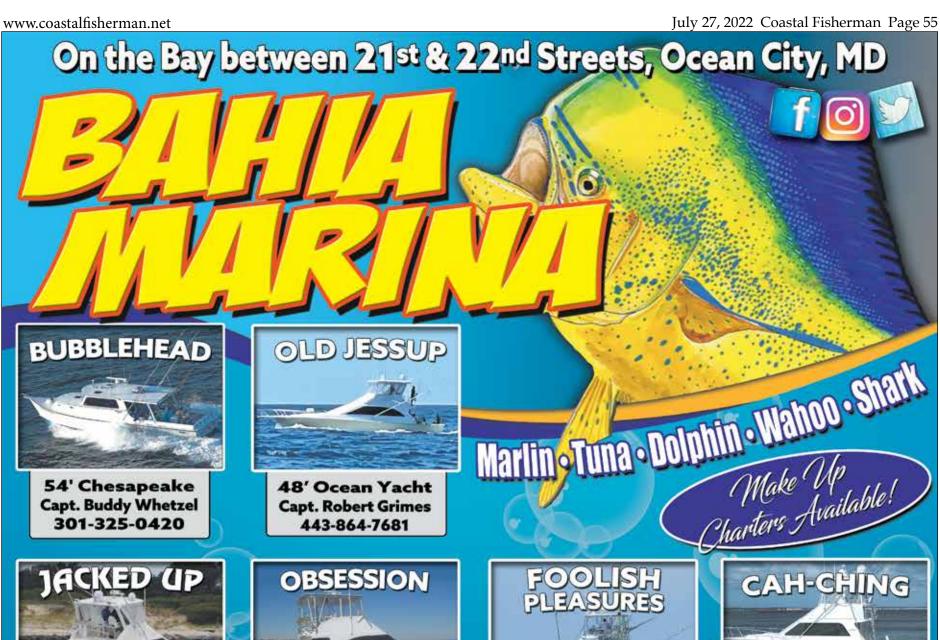
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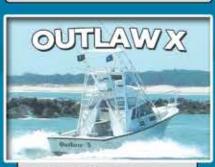
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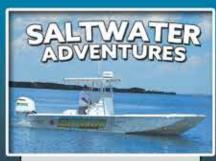
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Capt. Chris Beebe on the "Surface Tension" out of Lewes, DE has been getting a good sea bass bite using Nomad Jigs and Magic Tail jigs. This trip with Florin and crew last Friday started with looking for mahi and then switched to knotheads when they only found one bite.

GEM GIM MIEL High 07:33 am Low 02:04 am WED. JULY 27 High 08:28 pm Low 01:29 pm Low 02:41 am High 08:19 am **THUR. JULY 28** Low 02:08 pm High 09:05 pm **New Moon** Low 03:16 am High 09:03 am FRI. JULY 29 Low 02:46 pm High 09:41 pm High 09:46 am Low 03:49 am SAT. JULY 30 Low 03:25 pm High 10:16 pm High 10:28 am Low 04:21 am SUN. JULY 31 High 10:50 pm Low 04:06 pm Low 04:54 am High 11:08 am MON. AUG 1 High 11:25 pm Low 04:51 pm High 11:49 am Low 05:30 am TUE. AUG 2 High -----Low 05:40 pm High 12:02 am Low 06:09 am WED. AUG 3 High 12:32 pm Low 06:34 pm source:usharbors.com

Add 1.5 hours for bay tides at the Rt. 50 Bridge. Indian River Inlet - add 25 minutes to high tide

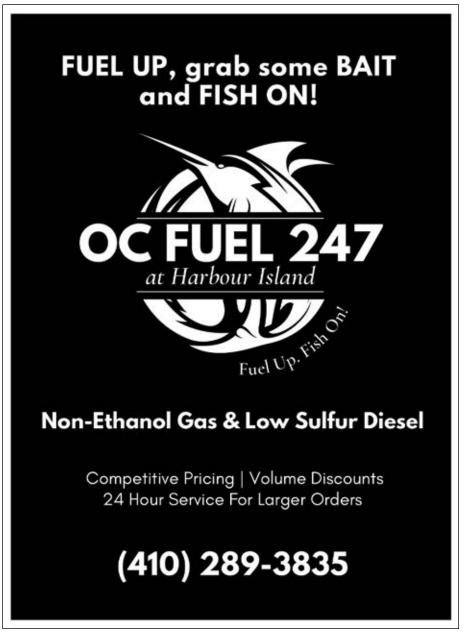
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Wachapreague, VA - add 4 minutes for high tide - 21 minutes for low tide Quinby Inlet, VA - subtract 6 minutes for high tide

These tides are only meant to be a guide, as tides can be affected by storms and weather fronts.



Luke and Carmine Barile from Vineland, NJ, Joe Garrity of Bethany Beach, DE, Mike & Shawn Garrity from Philadelphia, PA, Pat Mollusk also from Philly and Shawn Garrity from Hammonton, NJ got on the tuna last Wednesday. They caught 7 overall with the heaviest yellowfin at 73 lbs. They were on the "Capt. Ike II" with Capt. Dave Collins and mate Alex Weiss out of the Indian River Marina.



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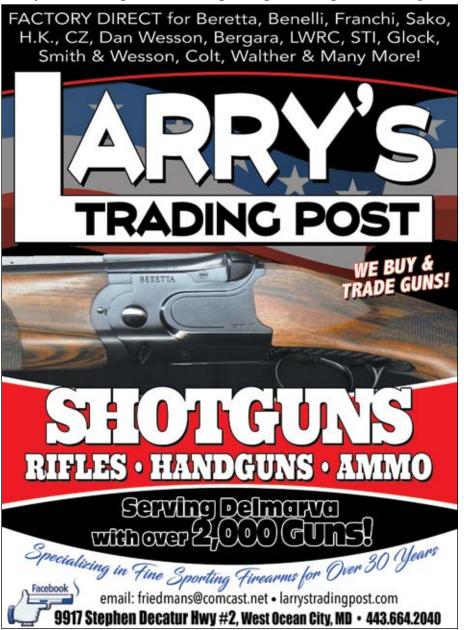


	(AS REPORTED TO THE COASTAL FISHERMAN - MUST BE REPORTED WITH PICTURE WITHIN 48 HOURS OF CATCH)				
Species	2022	2021	Species	2022	2021
Bluefish	April 26 Morgan Mericle South OC Jetty	May 8 Gavin Murray Gull Island	Thresher Shark	May 20 Mike Eid "HotLine" Fingers	May 22, 2021 Patrick Snell "MAKO me CRAZY" Twin Wrecks
Black Drum	March 29 Jay Phillips Assateague Island	March 31 Allen Sklar Assateague Island	Bigeye Tuna	June 12 Richie Widmayer "HotLine" Baltimore Canyon	May 28 Pete Gudiatis "Blood Money" Poor Man's
Cobia	June 11 Numen Bilal Fenwick Beach Island	June 17 Shannon Pickens South OC Inlet	Bluefin Tuna	May 17 Andrew Dietz "Take Em" SE Poor Man's	May 7 James Hammond "Hot Lick" Norfolk
Flounder	April 3 Scott Lenox Thorofare	April 18 Danny Cox Rt. 90 Bridge	Longfin Tuna	June 5 Chad Tingle "Sea Bear" Wilmington Canyon	July 17 Morgan Michael "Reel Fun" Baltimore Canyon
Sea Bass	May 15 Jeremy Michalski Jack Spot	April 12 Camryn Baeder Inshore Wreck	Yellowfin Tuna	May 17 James Haren "Take Em" SE Poor Man's	May 28 Bill Pino "Blood Money" Poor Man's
Sheepshead	June 4 Blake Gunther OC Inlet	June 17 Veronica Cannuli Outside OC Inlet	Dolphin	May 29 Adam Davidson "HotLine" East of Poor Man's	June 10 Michael Seicke "Second Chance" S. Poor Man's
Striped Bass	April 20 Shaun Flaherty Rt. 50 Bridge	May 6 Buddy Martin East Channel	Swordfish	June 4 The Crew "Espadon" Poor Man's Canyon	New Category for 2022
Tautog	March 27 Michael Guigley Stinky Beach	January 1 Mike Sadowski "Tide Runner" Ocean Structure	Blue Marlin	June 13 The Crew "Rhonda's Osprey" Poor Man's Canyon	New Category for 2022
Wahoo	June 30 Tim McCartney "Chasin Tides" Hot Dog	June 17 Gary Welch Washington Canyon	White Marlin	June 6 Kevin Gibb "WRECKER" Baltimore Canyon	June 13 Brad Young "TUNAFOWL" Washington Canyon



This is probably one of the nicest pictures we have gotten from night fisherman on the Rt. 50 Bridge! Even though angler Josh Salter from Accident, MD was able to pull in a keeper 'slot' rockfish at 28 1/8", he and Kevin Salter of Mt. Airy, MD decided to release this one to grow a little more. He was tricked by a Got-cha Plug and the team was assisted by another angler with a long 'bridge net' to get the fish up!





FISHING REPORT by Capt. Matt Abell

Well, with temperatures like these, one could say fishing should get easier. The fish may want to leap from the hot waters of the ESVA to cool down in a frying pan of grease. Now that's a bit of a fish tale exaggeration, but it is pretty dang hot! Lucky there's some fish and fishermen alike that are tough enough or possibly crazy enough to brave the heat to keep things going.

Flounder, both inside the barrier islands as well as on near shore wrecks have been the center of our inshore activity. The flood tide still is producing the best conditions around the inlets with its cool clean water pouring in from the Atlantic. It's truly amazing to feel God's air conditioning kick in as you near the inlet. The thoughts of hot, stifling temperatures that leave us in a glaze of salt from perspiration instead of sea spray are literally melted away and replaced with bent rods and

smiles. The baits of choice are silversides or minnows coupled with Gulp and teasers with color combinations including orange, chartreuse, pink and white. The flatties that have taken up residence on our nearby reefs and wrecks have been taking jigs tipped with Gulp twitched directly over the structure.

Elsewhere, in the clear blue waters adjacent to our Eastern Shore, triggerfish continue to stretch lines around shallow wrecks where anglers offer small pieces of clam floated back in chum slicks. The sighting of coastal cobia have also improved around some of these same structures that offer an oasis of sea life.

In deeper depths, tuna are smoking drags as the chunk bite continues to keep steaks on the grill and smiles on our faces. Anglers on the troll have also had the chance to tango with some tuna as well as a handful of billfish, bigeyes, mahi and even a reported king sized king mackerel to add to the pelagic prize list.

The middle Chesapeake has had a little bit of an increase of activity in regards to speckled trout. Early morning flood tide has allowed some cooler water during prime feeding time. These spotted trophies of the shallows have been tempted into the net by paddle tails, mirrodines and topwater "walk the dog" lures fished through the thick grasses of the ESVA Chesapeake shores and islands.

Anglers continue their quest for cobia from the Smith Island target ship all the way down to the Chesapeake Bay Bridge Tunnel. Sight casting has been the most productive technique as these brown suited brawlers have spread throughout the area. Anglers targeting spanish mackerel have had increasingly www.coastalfisherman.net good results trolling 0 size Clark spoons trailing #1 and #2 planers. Silver, pink, green and gold spoons have helped to lure these speedy spotted quarry into the cooler and onto the dinner table. The reefs of the lower Chesapeake as well of the CBBT have been the scene of some pretty good sheepshead fishing along with a by-catch of juvenile black drum.

Bottom fishing has been fairly steady with anglers boating a mix of kingfish, hardheads and spot on bloodworms and crab baits.

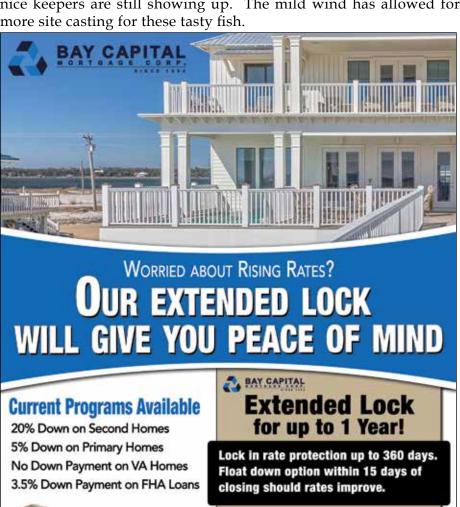
We are so lucky to have such opportunities to enjoy the waters around the Eastern Shore. This week in addition to world class fishing there will be the 97th pony swim at Chincoteague. This is a really neat spectacle to participate in that leaves a mark on all, young and old alike. So whether you're wrangling a tuna, tempting a trout or watching the saltwater cowboys swim a herd of Eastern Shore mustangs across Assateague channel, get out there, stay hydrated, and enjoy this awesome place we call home! §







The cobia bite in the lower Chesapeake Bay has slowed, but a few nice keepers are still showing up. The mild wind has allowed for more site casting for these tasty fish.





Another short day for the "Rhonda's Osprey". Capt. Joe Drosey with mates Eric Strauss & Mario Rosales made fast work getting the Charles gang onto some nice fish and back to the dock early with 5 good sized yellowfins in the box. Pictured at OC Fisherman's Marina.



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Mike Bostic (far right) and his Church Hill, MD crew had an epic day onboard his charter boat "MARLI" with Capt. Mark Hoos and mates Jake Pilkerton and Jax (the cactus kid) Moore. Mike and crew boxed 18 yellowfin tunas and released another 50+. The sharks also had their way by snacking on 10 additional tunas. Overall the crew encountered 75+ bites. The Penn rods and reels, and Sterling Tackle got a workout.

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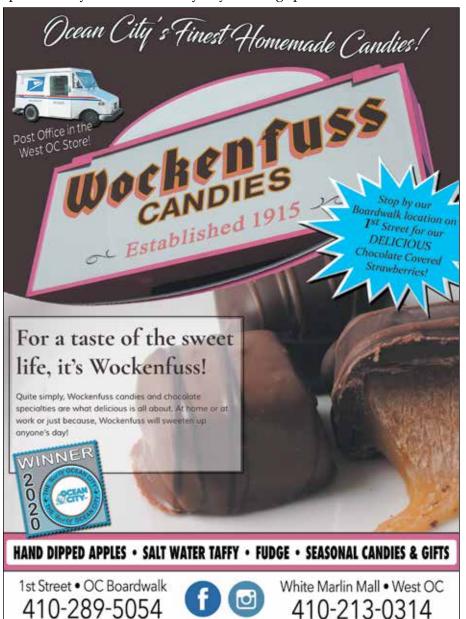


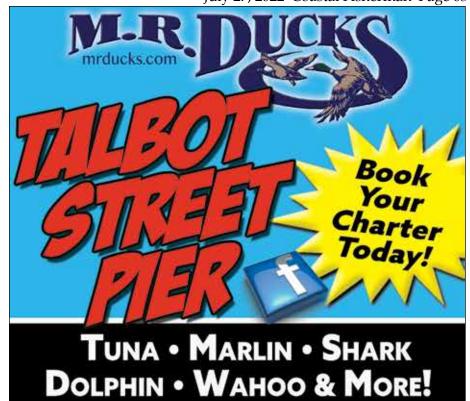
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The headboat "Judith M" based at the Bahia Marina participated in the Wish a Fish event coordinated with the Ocean City Marlin Club on July 16th. The Wish a Fish organization puts on events to give special needs kids an opportunity to go fishing. Dozens of anglers and their families spent the day in the Ocean City Bay catching spot, croakers and flounder.









DELAWARE OCEAN CITY Species OCEAN CITY DELAWARE Species Bluefish **Thresher Shark** June 5 May 27 May 30 Mlke Botsaris Mike Greene Dan Cavey S. OC Jetty 3 R's **Fingers** 10 lbs. 12 0z. 12.5 lbs. 373 lbs. **Black Drum Bigeye Tuna** July 4 July 23 April 16 May 22 Crew "Reel Fast" **CW Wells** Crew - Wrecker Mike Strain Washington Canyon Washington Canyon Assateague Island Coral Beds 220 lbs. 276 lbs. 70 lbs. 78 lbs. Cobia Bluefin Tuna July 15 June 25 June 10 Scott Brooks John Stackhouse Corev Healy Off Bethany Beach **Baltimore Canyon** Kelly's Reef 89.2 lbs. 46.25 lbs. 243 lbs. Flounder **Longfin Tuna** June 5 July 10 July 20 Cosmo Berezowski Chad Tingle Jesse Norman Wilmington Canyon **OC Inlet Ocean Structure** 49.5 lbs. 5.75 lbs. 10.4 lbs. Yellowfin Tuna **Sea Bass** June 30 May 31 May 26 June 10 Justin Eddy Kase Andrews **Brian Mayer** John Savoca Poor Man's Ocean Structure **Washington Canyon Baltimore Canyon** 85.5 lbs. 4.7 lbs. 3.125 lbs. 75 lbs. Sheepshead June 27 Dolphin July 4 June 26 JC Dennis Jason Whaley Joe Rogers OC Inlet **Ocean Structure** Norfolk Canyon 13.75 lbs. 12 lbs. 20.6 lbs. Swordfish Striped Bass June 30 May 20 Steve Stallings **Bud Martin** Poor Man's Canyon Rt. 50 Bridge 288 lbs. 17.19 lbs. **Tautog Blue Marlin** April 22 April 22 Kelly Langion-Milano Billy Thornatore **Artificial Reef** Ocean Wreck 18 lbs. 7.5 lbs. Wahoo White Marlin July 16 Ryan Spilman Massey's Canyon 87 lbs.

To report your catch, call the Coastal Fisherman at 410-213-2200 or email to coastalfisherman@comcast.net



Grayson Kelley from York, PA caught himself a slammer bluefish last Friday from under the Rt. 50 Bridge. The 10.3 lb. hit on a live spot and is currently the heaviest blue from a boat at the Ocean City Fishing Center. He was fishing on the "OC Guide Service" with his Uncle James 'Jimmer' Goodyear and John Taylor.





Our favorite Canadian Gerard Chaveca finally got offshore last week on the "Turn Me Loose" with Dave & James Weller. Unfortunately the fishing was slow at the Jack Spot with only 1 bite at the end of the day, this 38" kingfish.



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Another new Heaviest Flounder for MD was set by Cosmo Berezowski with a 23" and 5.75 lb. flounder he caught at the OC Inlet using Gulp. He was fishing with Blake Gunther and they had 6 keeper flounder overall with three over 20".



Michael Halfen popped out to the Fenwick Shoals after work for a quick fishing trip. He was greeted by over 100 mahi feeding at the shoals which made for a slow start since he was targeting other fish with his Clark Spoons. He managed a couple bluefish, his first 2 spanish mackerels for 2022 and a kid's beach shovel!



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Groom Evan Zimmer had an epic day on the water for his bachelor party! He and Michael Thomson, Spencer Schenking, Gavin Zimmer and Best Man Grayson Zimmer were fishing on the "Big Stick" with Capt. Ronnie Fields and mate Brad Wilson. They bucked the chunking trend a caught these 9 yellowfin tuna while trolling in the Poor Man's Canyon. The fish totaled 500 lbs. with the heaviest at 65 lbs. Pictured at Sunset Marina.



A Buoy was a hotspot for Jesse Lerch with Capt. Christopher Keller and Charlie Keller. He caught this 5.5 lb. flounder there using a homemade bucktail with Gulp!





Another big eyeball hit the scales last week! The crew of the "Outlaw X" out of the Bahia Marina landed a 225 lb. bigeye tuna they caught in the Washington Canyon on a skirted horse ballyhoo. The big fish hit on a rod fit with a 30 and it took the crew of Capt. Mike Hutchins, Jarry Norton, Amy Norton and Tony 'Southside Grille & Deli" Kolb 5 hours to get to the boat.



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