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The heaviest flounder caught so far this year out of Ocean City was muscled in by Jerry Gray of Berlin, MD. Jerry's 28.5-inch flattie tipped the scales at 10 lbs. 6 oz. and was caught on live spot during the incoming tide while fishing on the "12 Pack" in the East Channel, north of the Rt. 50 Bridge. Weighed at Ake Marine.

Double Lines

by Dale Timmons



Before Hurricane Earl came up the coast last week, white marlin fishing off Ocean City was nothing short of phenomenal, with double digit catches fairly common. On Monday, August 30, several boats broke the Ocean City record for a single day white marlin catch, which had stood at 27. The "Billfisher," with Capt. Jon Duffie and Mates John Prather and Anthony Pino, set a new benchmark, however, with an amazing 57 white marlin releases in one day, and I just want to add my own congratulations to the "Billfisher" crew. I have known the Duffie family for many years, since Jon and his brother Jeremy (who with his mom and dad was an angler that day) were little kids, and the other John since he first

became a mate, and it is nice to see them doing so well. Lynn Jarman at Ake Marine passed on an amusing anecdote about the "off the hook" recent white marlin fishing. He had a customer who told him he was fishing next to the "Billfisher" when his boat hooked a yellowfin tuna. He said it took them 23 minutes to land the tuna, and in that time, he watched the "Billfisher" catch seven white marlin—that's some darn good fishing, no matter what part of the world you are fishing in...nice going, guys...



It is a serious subject, I know, but every time I hear one of the TV weather people go on and on about the rip current risk being "high" or "low" I

have to chuckle to myself. A storm or even just high winds from something like a cold front or a northeaster does not suddenly create a rip current. They may make the current stronger if tides are higher than normal, but the "rip" must already be there. Every experienced surf fisherman knows that a rip is created by a "break in the bar", also known as a "cut" or "outsuck". Most surf edges consist of a shore break where the waves hit the beach, followed by a "slough" (pronounced "slew" in these parts) of deeper water, then an outer sandbar running sort of parallel to the beach. When the tide rises, the water fills the slough, and when it goes out, the water looks for a weakness, or low spot, in the sandbar. Eventually, it will cut a "break" through the bar, and where water rushes out of this break you have a "rip" current. Think of it as sort of an underwater inlet, or in this case, an outlet. Actually, most good breaks are formed during periods of relative calm, and sometimes

storms will actually fill them in. As the water rushes out of these breaks, it will actually flow from the north on the north side of the break and from the south on the south side of the break. This current is often called "undertow", and it can pull your feet from under you or move an 8-ounce sinker swiftly down the beach. The "rip" itself may go straight offshore, or it may cut through the bar on an angle. These breaks in the sandbar are good spots to fish, as species such as red drum, stripers or even the smaller kingfish use them as highways to move in and out of the slough. That access, plus the fact that the current pulls small fish and crabs along and makes them vulnerable, are what attracts the large predators. Maybe what coastal communities need to do is to hire surf fishermen to identify the rips, then make those areas off limits to swimming and create "fishing beach" areas for surf anglers, rather than keeping them off the

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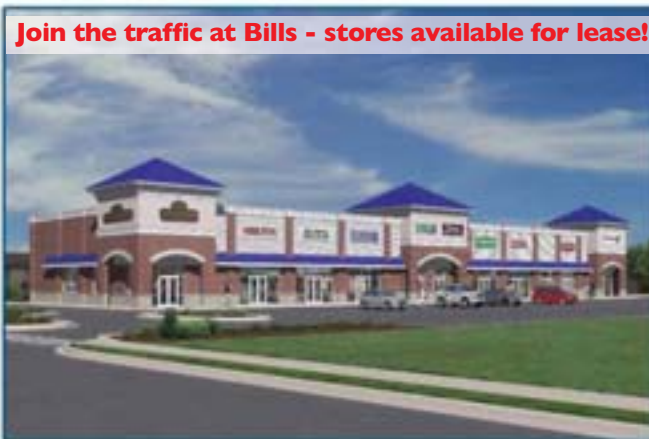
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Jose Guevara hooked this 23.6 lb. bull dolphin while trolling ballyhoo at the Hambone aboard the "Katy Did" with Capt. Brent Wiest and Mate Dave Walker. Weighed at Lewes Harbour Marina.



Jenna Enfield from Redline, PA muscled in this 20-inch flounder after hooking it on a white Gulp! minnow while fishing around the Rt. 50 Bridge.



Mike Malone from Bel Air, MD really showed his father-in-law, Bruz Herbert, how to land the big flounder with this 30-inch, 8 lb. 13 oz. flattie caught on a live minnow in the East Channel, north of the Rt. 50 Bridge.

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Eric Pickholtz from Ocean View, DE was fishing on the south side of the Indian River Inlet near the mouth of the marina when he hooked this 2 lb. 13 oz. weakfish on a live spot. Weighed at Hook'em & Cook'em.

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beach...yeah, like that'll happen...



On August 23, 2010, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency was petitioned by the Center for Biological Diversity and others to ban lead from ammunition and fishing tackle, including sinkers, jigs, weighted fly lines and components containing lead, such as brass and ballast in lures, spinners, stick baits and other fishing products.

On August 27, the EPA denied the petition regarding ammunition, but let stand the petition to ban lead in fishing tackle and has opened a short period for taking public comment. If you think this proposed ban is as ridiculous as I do, you need to let the EPA and your representatives in Congress know how you feel. One simple way to do so is to go to the Keep America Fishing website. There you can fill out a short form and an automated letter will be e-mailed to the

EPA director and the proper representatives for your area. It only takes a few minutes, and if there are enough of them, maybe it will make a difference. The website is: keepamericafishing.org. Do it now, or you don't have the right to complain if they take your jigs and sinkers away...



I see where my favorite group of nut cases, PETA (People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals), is once again practicing their favorite pastime— intimidation. This time they bullied a Sacramento, CA restaurant into taking an item off the menu. The item was called "Dancing Shrimp" (apparently a favorite in Japan...gotta love those folks), and it was basically live shrimp that you squirted lemon juice on and ate them while they were still alive. The dish in itself sounds crazy enough to me, and not my cup of tea, but I don't see where it would matter to the shrimp whether they were eaten this

way or boiled and covered with Old Bay...or even mashed in the throat crushers of a red drum...



Last week, during Earl, I was going through my surf box, and I decided I might start my own acronym group, AWHALOS, or Anglers Who Have A Lot Of Stuff (the last word is not really what I had in mind, but the publisher would probably censor the original, so I compromised). Actually, I had two surf boxes, a small one for "traveling light," (also a joke), and my original larger box that I am getting too old to even pick up. As you can imagine, I already had a lot of rigs made up—kingfish rigs, drum rigs, puppy drum rigs, bluefish rigs, and even some flounder rigs—but all summer, in between making rigs for other folks, I would take a break and make a few for myself. These I threw in the small box, until I could barely get the lid closed (it's one of those orange watertight plastic ammo can types).

Anyway, I went through both boxes, in order to consolidate everything into the large one, and I really couldn't believe just how many rigs and how much other stuff I had in there. Add to it all the rods, lures, plastic bodies, tackle bags, terminal tackle, sinkers and so on that fill up my garage. I'm reminded of that old joke, "When I die I hope my wife doesn't sell this stuff for what I told her it costs." Anyway, I really think I have a problem, so I might start this AWHALOS group, and we could all sit around and confess our addiction. Of course we could also talk fishing and rigs and new tackle and other neat stuff. Maybe I'll even charge a little bit for dues, and if you join I could give you some little fishing item that you probably don't need and will never use in this lifetime...



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The crew on "That's Right" had a great day fishing in 30-40 fathoms of 75-degree water near the Hot Dog. They returned with a dolphin and 7 wahoo that weighed between 30 and 40 lbs. Fishing with Capt. John Oughton and Mate Jason Genthner were Kim and Tom Miller from Middle River, MD, Karen Stevens and Bob Pulliam from Centreville, MD and Greg Perl from Timonium, MD. Pictured at Fisherman's Marina.

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Ocean City Fishing Report

by Larry Jock



Well, Hurricane Earl blew by the coast of Delmarva on Friday with merely a whimper, not affecting much except for making everyone's life a little hectic for a few days. Boats are now back in the water and it looks like the offshore marlin bite isn't missing a beat.

Marlin

Early last week, we saw what was no doubt the best white marlin bite seen around here in years. By now, everyone has heard about the incredible action on Monday, August 30th when several boats returned to the dock with release numbers that would have broken the Ocean City record of 27 white marlin releases in a single day. The "Billfisher" led the way with an amazing 57 releases. It was certainly a day that will be remembered for a long, long time.

After the hurricane, billfishermen were chomping at the bit, wondering if the bite was going to continue. Well, their questions were answered on Sunday when boats were able to leave the dock and ventured deep (1,300-1,500 fathoms) outside the Norfolk Canyon and racked up some



On Sunday, anglers on the "Pumpin' Hard 66" released 14 white marlin while trolling in 1,500 fathoms outside the Norfolk Canyon. Fishing with Capt. Dan Burt and Mates Mike and David Burt were Andrew Adler, Burk Flickinger, Francis Kane, John Sculley and J.D. McLoughlin. Pictured in the slip at Sunset Marina.

numbers.

- "D.A. Sea" - 34
- "Reel Chaos" - 28
- "Legasea" - 24
- "Pumpin' Hard 66" - 14
- "Grandé Pez" - 14
- "Let It Ride" - 10
- "Par Five" - 9

Other boats on Sunday had luck releasing a few whites in the Poor Man's Canyon and around the Hot Dog.

There were a couple of blue marlin caught right before the hurricane. On Tuesday, the "Miss Annie" released a blue marlin and on Wednesday, the "D.A. Sea" released a blue in the Washington Canyon.

Finally, on Sunday, Brooke Duvall on the "Last Call" released a longbill spearfish in 1,000 fathoms outside the Poor Man's Canyon. Brook told me that this was his 10th species of billfish that he has released. Nice work!

Wahoo

It was definitely a great Labor Day weekend for wahoo fishing with quite a few being caught. Most of the action centered in the area around the Sausages and Hot Dog in 30-50 fathoms. "That's Right" returned on Sunday with 7 nice wahoo caught in 75 degree water near the Hot Dog. The "Banshee" was in the same area and boated 4 wahoo. Also on Sunday in the Labor Day White Marlin Tournament, the "BBG" captured a 60.4 pounder near the Hot Dog and the "Pole Cat" boated a 54.4 lb. speedster down at the Rockpile.

The largest wahoo was caught on Sunday by Bob Ambrose on the "Excavator" when he hooked a 67 pounder on a ballyhoo dressed up with a blue and white Ilander in 50 fathoms south of the Rockpile. Also on Saturday, the "Bimini" weighed at 66 lb. wahoo that they caught in the Washington Canyon.

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caught in good numbers. This past weekend, dolphin were caught around the Rockpile, near the Hot Dog and in the Poor Man's, Washington and Norfolk Canyons. They were everywhere!

The "Jezebel" fished in 50 fathoms between the Poor Man's and Washington Canyons on Sunday and caught 60 dolphin. The largest looked around 10 lbs.

Although we are still seeing boats with loads of peanut dolphin, a couple of larger mahi were caught as well.

On Sunday, Bill Burton on the "BBG" landed a 26.8 pounder east of the Hot Dog. Also on Sunday, Bill Regan muscled in a 15.6 lb. mahi that he hooked at the Rockpile.

Tuna

It hasn't been a good couple of weeks for tuna fishing. With most boats searching for white marlin, emphasis on catching yellowfin tuna has dwindled.

Right before the hurricane, the "Restless Lady" ventured out to 40 fathoms near the Hot Dog and boxed 11 yellowfins and 4 gaffer dolphin. Quite a catch!

On Sunday in the Labor Day Tournament, the "Last Call" threw some beautiful yellowfins on the dock at Sunset Marina. The tunas weighed between 64.2 and 74.4 lbs. and were caught in 1,000 fathoms outside the Poor Man's Canyon. Kudos to Jenn Pettolina for muscling in two yellowfins weighing 72.4 lbs. and 74.4 lbs. Good thing she has been hitting the gym lately!

Also in the tournament, Jeff Schnader on the "Pole Cat" caught a 35.8 lb. longfin albacore tuna near the Rockpile.

Flounder

Those seeking flatfish this past week probably weren't very happy. Flounder fishing was down right pathetic, due to dirty, muddy water.

The good news is that our bay is absolutely loaded with bait. Mullet have been seen around the Rt. 90 Bridge, spot are being hooked in the canals and in the marinas and peanut

bunker and shiners are all over the bay. What this means is that once the water cleans up we should see some good flounder fishing.

The largest flounder caught in Ocean City this year was landed earlier in the week by Jerry Gray on the "12 Pack". Over the last couple of weeks, we've been recommending to fish the deep holes for the larger flounder and that's exactly what Jerry did. He landed the 10 lb. 6 oz. flattie on a live spot in a deep hole just north of the 4th Street Bulkhead in the East Channel. Jerry fishes hard and is very well deserving of this great catch.

Sheepshead

On Sunday, Mark Fleetwood caught the largest sheepshead so far this year in Ocean City. Mark was fishing at the South Jetty, using sand fleas for bait, when he hooked the 26-inch, 11 lb. 9 oz. *semicossyphus pulcher*.

Sea Bass

The only sea bass I saw were filleted carcasses coming off the "Morning Star" last week. On Sunday, Capt. Monty reported sea bass being tepid until the current slowed and then it was "game on". One angler ended up with 24 keepers.

Striped Bass

Anglers are continuing to peck away at stripers under and around the Rt. 50 Bridge. Those letting a live spot work its way under the bridge are able to pull out some nice linesiders.

Upcoming Tournaments

It will be a busy weekend for fishermen interested in getting a trophy or a check.

On Thursday, the rescheduled Branch Kreppel Memorial Blue Marlin Tournament will be begin at Sunset Marina. Anglers can fish 2 of 4 days on Thursday through Sunday with weigh-ins each day from 4:00 PM to 8:30 PM. In addition to a Blue Marlin Division and a White Marlin Release Division,

anglers will also compete in "Winner Take All" divisions for dolphin, tuna, and wahoo. Registration is on Wednesday, September 8th from 4:00 PM to 6:00 PM.

On Saturday, September 11th, the Ocean City Fishing Center will be holding their 10th Annual Spot Tournament. Hard to believe it has been 10 years since the start of this tournament. Anglers must fish from the dock at the OCFC from 5:30 PM to 7:30 PM with registration at 4:00 PM. Although many adults fish this tournament, it is really the kids who steal the show, so if you have a little one that likes to fish, you can't lose with the Spot Tournament.

On Sunday, September 12th, the 5th Annual Bahia Marina Flounder Pounder will be held with fishing hours from 10:00 AM to 4:30 PM. Weigh-ins will be at Bahia Marina from 3:30 PM to 5:00 PM. This is an inexpensive tournament to enter and is always a lot of fun. Bahia Marina always does a great job with their tournaments for both anglers and spectators.

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Grant Clubb prepares to release his first white marlin after hooking it on a skirted ballyhoo in 800 fathoms outside the Baltimore Canyon. Grant was fishing on the "Chain Reaction" with Raymond Johnson, Capt. Brad Clubb and Mate Ross Clubb. The group also caught 10 dolphin during the trip.

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A week before the "White Marlin Blitz of 2010", the crew on the "Tighten Up" ventured out to the Baltimore Canyon and released 10 white marlin after hooking them on naked ballyhoo. Fishing on the "Tighten Up" were anglers Chandi and Jay Keller, Capt. Keith Robinson and Mates Michael Murray and Will Hathaway. Pictured in the slip at the Ocean City Fishing Center.



Joe Walker, Tony Vansant, Bobby Bryant and Joe Walker, Jr. teamed up to land their limit of flounder while fishing at Delaware Reef Site 10. The fish were caught while drifting squid and shiners and weighed up to 6 lbs. 6 oz. on the scale at Lewes Harbour Marina.



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A photograph of three people on a boat. On the left, a man in a dark tank top and sunglasses holds a large fish. In the center, a woman in a pink shirt holds a large fish. On the right, a man in a dark t-shirt and sunglasses holds a large fish. They are all smiling and looking at the camera.

Jake Seuss released his first white marlin while fishing on the “JoJoe” with Joe and Erica Seuss and Joe Jordan. The white marlin, along with a 10 lb. dolphin, a 30 lb. yellowfin and a 40 lb. wahoo were caught while trolling in the Baltimore Canyon.

A photograph of three people on a boat. On the left, a man in a blue t-shirt and cap holds a large fish. In the center, a man in a yellow t-shirt and sunglasses holds a large fish. On the right, a man in a dark t-shirt and cap holds a large fish. They are all smiling and looking at the camera.

Junior Horn, Joe Hicks and Ron Hicks, all from Millsboro, DE ended their day with 5 striped bass in the cooler after fishing in the Indian River Inlet using live spot for bait. The stripers measured between 29 and 31 inches.

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A photograph of two people on a boat. On the left, a man in a dark t-shirt and cap holds a large fish. On the right, a man in a white t-shirt and cap holds a large fish. They are both smiling and looking at the camera.

Butch Sample from Essex, MD and Bob Gunkel from Pasadena, MD were fishing on the “Hammertime” at the African Queen and ended up with 4 flounder weighing between 2 lbs. 12 oz. and 6 lbs. 1 oz. All were caught on live spot and weighed at Fenwick Tackle.



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David Macy from Lansdale, PA boated this 20.5-inch flounder while fishing in the East Channel, south of the Rt. 50 Bridge. David was fishing on the "Get Sum" with Capt. Nick Clemente and Tyler Hasenei and caught the flattie on a peanut bunker.



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Driftin' Easy

by Sue Foster



I had a cell phone call the other day from an angler out on the water who had caught a couple of fish with black stripes and wanted to correctly identify them. They were both good size and I was pretty sure that they were either sheepshead or black drum. It's important to be able to tell the difference since there is a size and creel limit on black drum in Maryland but none on sheepshead!

Off the top of my head, I told the customer that sheepshead had teeth similar to a tautog and that a black drum had barbels beneath its chin. I silently hoped I gave the customer enough information so he'd wouldn't get in trouble and mentally told myself I needed to look these fish up on the internet and have more information the next time someone asked this question!

I've caught a few black drum in my life, but only one sheepshead, and that was many years ago in Florida. Over the years there have been some hefty sheepshead caught around the Ocean City Inlet including the Maryland State Record caught by Raymond Daniel on July 25th, 2004 in the Ocean City Inlet. It weighed 17 lbs. 8 oz.

The last couple of weeks we have had several sheepshead caught by boaters

around the South Jetty. Also some young black drum. They both have black and white stripes and they both have been running in the 6 to 9-pound range. How do you tell them apart?



Sheepshead, or *Archosargus probatocephalus*, is a member of the porgy family. It is silvery in color with 5 or 6 distinct vertical black bands on its sides. It has prominent teeth, including incisors, molars and rounded grinders. Some anglers say their mouth looks like a "mouthful of marbles!" Again, sheepshead have no barbels on the lower jaw. It has strong and sharp spines on the dorsal and anal fins. Spadefish also have black and white stripes but have small, brush-like teeth.

As a black drum (*Pogonias cromis*) matures, the vertical barring disappears, but a juvenile black drum, weighing 5 to 15 pounds, has stripes similar to the sheepshead! Black drum can get really big, with the Virginia state record at 111 pounds. It was caught off of Cape Charles in 1973. Young black drum are a little more gray than silver. Their

teeth are rounded and they have powerful jaws capable of crushing shellfish, one of their favorite diets.

The sheepshead's mouth is straight out like a tautog, while the black drum's mouth is slung down like a big croaker. The sheepshead tail is forked, whereas the black drum tail is straight. The black drum also has a high arched back. A really distinctive feature of a black drum is its numerous pairs of small barbels along the lower jaw that almost look like whiskers! Drum have a large swim bladder that produces a "drumming" sound. You will usually hear this when you catch one. This is how "drum" got their name.

Both sheepshead and black drum feed on crustaceans. Sheepshead have similar feeding habits as tautog, and anglers usually catch them when they are fishing specifically for tautog along the South Jetty rocks.

Like tautog fishing, anglers use a 1/0 to 3/0 Octopus styled hook tied short on a 40-pound test leader in the holes near the rock jetties. Sand fleas are the preferred baits and anglers can put one, two or even three fleas on a single hook. Flip into a hole with 1 1/2 to 3 ounces of weight and wait for the "tap tap" of a bite. Wait for the fish to take the bait into its mouth, then set the hook. Like tautog, sheepshead will take the crab into its mouth to crush the bait. Sheepshead are very strong fighters, just like tautog, and you must get them up quickly before they go into the rocks and snag up your line.

Black drum also feed on crustaceans and are often caught on sand fleas, but they also like sea clam, peelers, hard crab, and shrimp. They are often caught on cut bait and even live spot when anglers are fishing the South Jetty or along the rocks near Gudelsky Park for stripers or red drum. I know a man that catches a lot of small black drum using several grass shrimp threaded on his hook. (He catches the grass shrimp with a shrimp

net.)

"Should I fish strictly for sheepshead?"

No, because they aren't there every day. But if you fish for tautog in any rocky area such as the North or South Jetty, the bulkhead along 2nd through 4th Street or at 9th Street, it's good to have some idea of what one looks like in case you happen to catch one, so you can tell the difference between a sheepshead and a black drum.

In 2010, Maryland regulations only allow anglers to keep one black drum as long as it is 16 inches in length or larger. The most likely place to catch one is in your boat along the South jetty or on an inshore wreck. They are more of a southern fish, but are caught up here when the water is warm.



Black drum can be caught along the South Jetty, North Jetty, around the Rt. 50 Bridge, Rt. 90 Bridge, Verazanno Bridge (quite a few of them were caught there last year with peeler crab), and the Fenwick Ditch around the Bridge by Rt. 54. Quite a few black drum are also caught in the Indian River Inlet on clam at times.

So, if you catch a fish with black vertical strips, and it has a face like a porgy with a mouthful of weird looking teeth (like a mouthful of marbles) with prickly fins and a forked shaped tail, it's most likely a sheepshead. If you catch a striped fish that has lots of barbels (whiskers) with a turned down mouth that starts making a drumming sound, well, get the ruler out, you've probably got a black drum. Both are excellent to eat!

Good fishing....

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



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Andrew Pikounis of Baltimore, MD was fishing from the Rt. 50 Bridge when he landed this 20-inch flounder. Photo courtesy of Oyster Bay Tackle.



Mark Parsons from Perkasio, PA caught and released this cobia while fishing with bunker off Fenwick State Park. The cobia was estimated to weigh 50 lbs. Photo courtesy of Fenwick Tackle.

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Bill Hunsberger from Pottstown, PA had his hands full with this white marlin that he caught and released while fishing on the "JoKen" with Kenny Smith. The fish was hooked while trolling in the Baltimore Canyon.



Trent Hurley, Bob Piper, Jim Lynam, Tyler Zimmerman and Garnet Zinn ended their day with yellowfin tuna, bonita and dolphin in the box after fishing in the Wilmington Canyon aboard the "Blue Collar Man" with Capt. Jim Mahoney.

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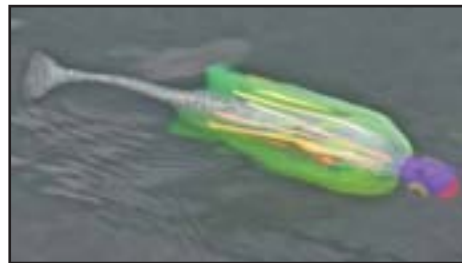

Steve Fink from Windsor, PA decked a 4 lb. 9 oz. flounder and Danny Cox muscled in a 5 lb. 10 oz. *paralichthys dentatus* while drifting in the West Channel with live spot.

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3 TBSP. flour
2 cups vegetable or chicken stock
1 quart whole milk
3 cups corn, fresh or frozen
8 oz. fresh lump crab meat
4 small bread bowls, hollowed out, preferably sour dough

Heat a stock pot over moderate heat.

Add oil and butter.

Add the chopped veggies, and bay leaf.

Season with salt and pepper and Old Bay seasoning.

Saute 5 minutes, then sprinkle in flour.

Cook flour for 2 minutes, stirring constantly.

Stir in broth and combine.

Add the milk; mix well.

Bring soup up to a bubble then add the corn and crab meat.

Simmer for 5 minutes.

Adjust the soup seasonings.

Remove bay leaf.

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Pour bottle of dressing over all.

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Reserve marinade.

Grease grill well.

Place steaks on grill and brush on marinade throughout cooking.

Grill until well seared on one side; turn, baste and cook until opaque.

Serves 4.

Sweet Chili Wahoo with Rice

2 lbs. wahoo
Flour
Olive oil
4 oz. broccoli crowns
4 oz. mushrooms, quartered
4 carrots, thinly sliced
2 oz. red, yellow and orange peppers, thinly sliced
2 small cans sliced water chestnuts, drained
1 can corn
1 jar sweet chile sauce
1 jar black bean garlic sauce
8 servings of rice cooked separately

Cut wahoo into bite size cubes.

Flour the cubes.

In a saute pan, fry the cubes until tender and moist. Set aside on paper towels.

In another skillet saute the vegetables in 2 TBSP. of olive oil; cook al dente.

Add the corn, water chestnuts and 2 TBSP. of black bean garlic sauce.

In a large saucepan over medium heat, pour in a half jar of the sweet chili sauce. Once it comes up to temperature, add the cubed wahoo. Add more chili sauce, if needed, at this time.

Plate rice, vegetables, then fish.

Garnish with chopped parsley.

Serves 4.

Sea Bass with Tomato Pesto

1/3 cup sun-dried tomatoes, drained
1/4 cup roasted almonds
2 TBSP. plus 1 tsp. olive oil
1 cup quick-cooking polenta
2 cups low fat milk
4 black sea bass fillets
9 oz. bag spinach

2 TBSP. finely chopped fresh basil

Preheat oven 450 degrees.

In food processor with knife blade, pulse tomatoes, almonds, 2 TBSP. oil and 1/4 tsp. pepper until coarsely ground.

In a large microwave glass bowl, whisk polenta, milk, 1/2 tsp. salt and 3 cups water.

Microwave on high 4 minutes. Whisk; cook 7 minutes or until very thick.

In a jelly roll pan, rub fish with 1 tsp. of oil.

Sprinkle with 1/8 tsp. each salt and pepper.

Roast 8 to 10 minutes or until just opaque throughout.

Cook spinach as label directs.

Stir basil and fish juices into pesto.

Whisk polenta; place on plates with spinach and fish.

Top with pesto.

Serves 4.

Pan-Seared Scallops with Bacon and Spinach

3 bacon slices
12 jumbo sea scallops
1/4 cup plus 1/8 tsp. salt, divided
1/4 tsp. black pepper, divided
1 cup chopped onion
6 garlic cloves, sliced
12 oz. fresh baby spinach
4 lemon wedges

Cook bacon until crisp.

Remove bacon from pan, reserving 1 TBSP. drippings, coarsley chop bacon and set aside.

Increase heat to high.

Pat scallops dry with paper towels.

Sprinkle evenly with 1/4 tsp. salt and 1/8 tsp. pepper.

Add scallops to drippings in pan; cook about 2 1/2 minutes on each side.

Transfer to a plate; keep warm.

Reduce heat to medium; add onion and garlic to pan, saute 3 minutes.

Add half of spinach, cook 1 minute, stirring frequently.

Add remaining half of spinach, cook until just wilted.

Remove from heat; stir in remaining 1/8 tsp. salt and 1/8 tsp. pepper.

Divide spinach mixture among 4 plates; top each evenly with crumbled bacon and 3 scallops.

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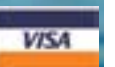


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Kevin DiEmidio landed this 744 lb. blue marlin while fishing southeast of the Norfolk Canyon on the "Fish Whistle" with Capt. Charlie Horning and Mate Josh Beall. The crew thought they had a chance of breaking the current Delaware state record of 820 lbs. set by angler Bruce King in July 1986. Jim's fish measured 153-inches overall with a LJFL of 121-inches and a girth of 71-inches. Also pictured are Owen and Larry Horning. Weighed at Hook'em & Cook'em at the Indian River Marina.

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On the second day of the 52nd Annual Labor Day White Marlin Tournament, the anglers on the "BBG" had a great day with Travis Jackson landing a 60.4 lb. wahoo to win the Wahoo Division and a check for \$2,700. Bill Burton caught a 26.8 lb. dolphin to win 1st place in the Dolphin Division and Jaclyn Childers released a white marlin and landed a 17 lb. dolphin to win 3rd place in the Dolphin Division. All of the fish were caught in 30-50 fathoms east of the Hot Dog. Also fishing on the "BBG" were Kyle Wratten, who released a white marlin, Steven Pilipauskis and Capt. Christopher Hardesty. Pictured at Sunset Marina.



The crew on the "Grandé Pez" took top honors in the Billfish Division of the 52nd Annual Labor Day White Marlin Tournament with 16 white marlin releases during their 2 days of fishing. Joining Capt. Pat Svehla and Mate Jake Emche were anglers Bill Fenwick, Bob Wimbrow, Dave Jones, Gunnar Zorn and Jim Frack. The billfish were released in 1,300 fathoms outside the Norfolk Canyon and earned the crew \$5,190 in award money.

52nd Annual Labor Day White Marlin Tournament

September 4-6, 2010

| TUNA DIVISION | BILLFISH DIVISION | DOLPHIN DIVISION | WAHOO DIVISION |
|---|--|--|---|
| 1st Place Jenn Pettolina "Last Call" 74.4 lbs. No calcuttas entered | 1st Place "Grandé Pez" 16 white marlin releases Last release - 2:45 PM \$5,190 | 1st Place Bill Burton "BBG" 26.8 lbs. No calcuttas entered | 1st Place Travis Jackson "BBG" 60.4 lbs. \$2,700 |
| 2nd Place Jenn Pettolina "Last Call" 72.4 lbs. No calcuttas entered | 2nd Place "Fin-ness" 16 white marlin releases Last release - 3:26 PM \$1,765 | 2nd Place Jim Emche "Pole Cat" 18.8 lbs. No calcuttas entered | 2nd Place Jeff Schnader "Pole Cat" 54.4 lbs. No calcuttas entered |
| 3rd Place Maddie Pettolina "Last Call" 64.6 lbs. No calcuttas entered | 3rd Place "Spike's Boat" 14 white marlin releases \$600 | 3rd Place Jaclyn Childers "BBG" 17.0 lbs. No calcuttas entered | 3rd Place Kyle Wratten "BBG" 43.4 lbs. No calcuttas entered |
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In the 52nd Annual Labor Day White Marlin Tournament sponsored by the Ocean City Marlin Club, the anglers on the "Last Call" with Capt. Frank Pettolina at the helm and Mates Franky Pettolina and Luke Blume in the cockpit, threw some beautiful yellowfin tuna on the dock and swept the Tuna Division. Jenn Pettolina muscled in a 74.4 lb. yellowfin to win 1st place and a 72.4 pounder to take 2nd place in the tournament. Maddie Pettolina caught a 64.6 lb. yellowfin and won 3rd place in the Tuna Division. Angler Brooke Duvall caught a 64.2 lb. yellowfin and released a longbill spearfish during the trip. The fish were caught on trolled ballyhoo in 1,000 fathoms outside the Poor Man's Canyon. Pictured at Sunset Marina.

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On the final day of the 52nd Annual Labor Day White Marlin Tournament, Jim Emche boated an 18.8 lb. dolphin to win 2nd place in the Dolphin Division. Jim was fishing on the "Pole Cat" with Mike Frick, who landed a 13.6 dolphin, and Bill Regan. The mahi were hooked on trolled ballyhoo in 100 fathoms in the Washington Canyon. Pictured at Sunset Marina.



The "Fin-ness" continued their hot streak in tournaments this summer, finishing in 2nd place in the Billfish Division of the 52nd Annual Labor Day White Marlin Tournament. The anglers released 16 white marlin during their 2 days of fishing deep outside the Norfolk Canyon. Fishing with Capt. Howard Lynch and Mates Josh Farr and Ryan Greenway were Steve Dougherty, John Green, Danielle Green, Tim Hake, Barry Hake and Donnie Moore. The "Fin-ness" crew took home \$1,765 for their 2nd place finish.



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On the final day of the 52nd Annual Labor Day White Marlin Tournament, the crew on the "BBG" finished their fantastic tournament performance with a 43.4 lb. wahoo caught by Kyle Wratten to win 3rd place in the Wahoo Division. Bill Burton also landed a 40.6 lb. wahoo during the trip. Both fish were caught east of the Hot Dog. Also fishing on the "BBG" were Jaclyn Childers, Travis Jackson, Steven Pilipauskis and Capt. Christopher Hardesty. Pictured at Sunset Marina.



On the second day of the 52nd Annual Labor Day White Marlin Tournament sponsored by the Ocean City Marlin Club, Jeff Schnader captured a 54.4 lb. wahoo and held on to win 2nd place in the Wahoo Division. Jeff was fishing on the "Pole Cat" with Jim Emche, Bill Regan and Jake Graves. The wahoo was caught on a trolled ballyhoo at the Rockpile. Jeff also caught a 35.8 lb. longfin albacore tuna and Bill landed a 15.6 lb. dolphin during the trip. Pictured at Sunset Marina.

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Theresa Bly from Mt. Airy, MD, Jennifer (not pictured), Billy and Marlin Feagans from Kearneysville, WV, Mike Johnson from Shepherdstown, WV and Tony Ritchie from Martinsburg, WV teamed up to release 3 white marlin and boat 8 dolphin during a trip to the Rockpile aboard the "Pumpin' Hard 58" with Capt. Gary Stamm and Mates Mike and David Burt. It was Marlin's first trip offshore and he made the most of it, releasing his first white marlin and catching his 1st dolphin. Pictured at Sunset Marina.



David Leizear from Willards, MD hooked this 31-inch striper on a Roy Rig near the Rt. 50 Bridge at night during the incoming tide.

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On August 30th, now known as the "White Marlin Blitz of 2010", Terry, Denny and Calvin Jones, Jason Apple and Duane Broughton had a day to remember, releasing 22 white marlin while fishing on the "Playmate" with Capt. Willie Zimmerman and Mate Jason Hart. The white marlin were hooked on trolled ballyhoo in 700 fathoms outside the Washington Canyon.



The crew on "Moore Bills" took advantage of the tremendous white marlin bite on August 30th, releasing 25 while trolling in 600 fathoms outside the Washington Canyon. Fishing on the "Moore Bills" were Austin, Adam and Shane Moore, Justin and Frank Edwards, Capt. Rob Skillman and Mates Chris Hornung and Tucker Colquhoun.

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The "Pumpin' Hard 58" was right there, outside the Washington Canyon on August 30th during the "White Marlin Blitz of 2010" and ended their day with 19 white marlin releases. The whites were hooked on trolled ballyhoo with Capt. Gary Stamm at the helm and Mates Mike and David Burt in the cockpit. Photo courtesy of Jim Whaley.

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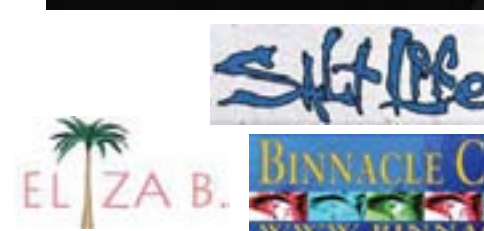
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Delaware Fishing Report

by Rick Willman



Hi folks. I hope everyone had a great Labor Day weekend and thank goodness we were spared the wrath of Mother Nature.

Fishing activity was slow due to the threat of the storm and rough water after the storm. We were seeing an upturn in bottom fishing prior to the storm and hopefully things will improve even more.

Tog season is closed until the end of the month but there should be plenty of flounder and sea bass action to come. It should not be long before the water starts to cool and the bigger fish start turning on. Now is the time to gear up for the coming striper season. Be sure your equipment is ready to do battle with feisty linesiders. Bucktails, worms, Stretch 25's, and plenty of bait rigs need to be



Skeeter Lokey from Long Neck, DE was fishing off the pier at Massey's Landing when he hooked this 26.5-inch flounder on a live spot. The fish weighed 7 lbs. 8 oz. on the scale at Rick's Bait & Tackle.

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Back Bay action is still producing flounder, croaker, spot and blowfish. There are still more throwbacks than keepers, but some nice fish are being caught. Captain Chuck of "First Light Charters" fly fished at the Outer Wall and caught several stripers on dark colored bunker imitation flies. Michael Silar of Georgetown took his boat "Screamn" to Site #10 and scored a 7 lb. 12 oz. citation flattie.

Offshore action has been spotty other than for those in search of dolphin. Capt. Cory Waddington was at the helm of "Another Bill", trolling the 30 line near the Tea Cup when angler Ron Campbell caught a 49 lb. wahoo. A few days later

Capt. Dan Waddington took the helm of the same boat and Jay Tucci scored a 20.5-pound wahoo.

At Bill's Sport Shop, Capt. Bill tell us the Wharf Restaurant in Lewes is the location for this year's striper tournament weekly Friday night buffet. The 2010 Striper Tournament will be held from Oct. 15th to Dec. 10th. First place will pay \$3,000 while the 2nd place winner will pocket \$2,000 and third place will win \$1,000.

Offshore, Jonathon Thompson, Mike Thompson, Jeff and Matt Sherwood and crew ventured out to the Baltimore Canyon where they released 4 whites, landed 2 tuna and 10 gaffer dolphin. Chris Wagner landed a 109 lb. yellowfin tuna after it circled the

boat 12 times while trolling between the Chicken Bone and the Hambone. Also while trolling, he found a bucket floating and picked up several gaffer and peanut dolphin. Capt. Steve Peterson on the "Pandemonium" took Frank Perna and crew out to the Poor Man's Canyon and ended up with a 63 and 68 lb. yellowfin. They also released a 425 lb. blue marlin. On another trip, they took Jamie Greer and crew back to the same area and went 3 for 3 on the white marlin and caught 6 gaffer dolphin.

Capt. Oak Thompson reported: "We had a good day fishing in the Indian River Inlet on Saturday. Phil O'Connor and I caught and released 40 plus flounder, the only keeper was my 23", 4 lb. 6 oz. flattie caught on minnows and cut spot. We also had bluefish, croaker, sea bass, spot and blowfish on clams and FishBite bloods".

At Rattle & Reel Sporting Center, Eric tells us there are still lots of throwback flounder being taken in the Back Bays. Minnow/squid combo or Gulp! seem to be the ticket. Stripers are being taken in the Indian River Inlet at night. Dolphin are anywhere from the Lightship to the Tea Cup.

Bert at Hook'em & Cook'em Bait & Tackle reports inshore ocean action holds a mix of sea bass, flounder, blues, croaker, and triggerfish. Before the blow, the headboats were providing customers with a mix of all. Bluefish and stripers are being caught in the Indian River. A 744 lb. blue marlin was landed near the Poor Man's Canyon. Capt. Bert said fishing has been slow for anglers fishing from the surf.

Joe Morris at Lewes Harbour Marina said the white marlin bite offshore has probably been the best that many anglers will ever experience. Large packs of whites roamed the Washington Canyon, balling and cutting baitfish, and boaters that encountered the feeding billfish were treated to some wild action. Those who went a week ago this past Monday saw

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Michalla Redick from Bear, DE was drifting a minnow near the "DB" Buoy and hooked this 25.5-inch, 5 lb. 4 oz. flounder. Weighed at Rick's Bait & Tackle.

spectacular fishing, with a small fleet in 700 fathoms of the Washington releasing more than 300 white marlin. Monday's fishing was the hottest, but marlin were caught all week leading up to the passage of Hurricane Earl on Friday. Whites were reported in the deep of the Washington, inshore of Poor Man's and in the Baltimore Canyon as well. Some days, marlin were more difficult to entice because they were keyed in on small bait. Crews that were able to locate fish away from the crowds of boats usually had better results. Traditionally, September has been the choice month for marlin fishing, and it was encouraging to see such numbers of billfish in August. It will be interesting to see what develops in the next few weeks.

Inshore tuna trolling showed promise this week as well. Decent numbers of yellowfins came from 20 fathom structure of the Hot Dog and Hambone. The "Skipjack" returned from the Hambone with 5 yellowfins weighing up to 42 lbs., 3 dolphin up to 21 lbs. and a 35 lb. wahoo. On Monday, guys on the "Grizzly" trolled the Dog for 4 yellowfins and David Wilson's 52.5 lb. wahoo. On Tuesday, Captain Jeff's

anglers aboard the "Ocean City Girl" put 14 yellowfins in the box at the Hot Dog. Jeff said he pulled a mix of ballyhoo and plastics, and it was tough to keep hoards of hungry false albacore away from baits.

Inshore bottom bouncers had a mix of sea bass, croakers, snapper blues and a few keeper flounder on the Old Grounds and at Site 11. Croakers remained elusive in the Delaware Bay. Boaters concentrating on the rubble of Reef Sites 4, 6, 7 and 8 found some legal flounder prior to windy weather at the end of the week. Mara Danoff decked a 7.58 lb. doormat on Wednesday while drifting a reef on the "Top Fin". After Hurricane Earl went by, Captain Brent on the "Katy Did" made it out for a half-day trip on Saturday morning and managed a bucketful of 28 blowfish while anchored at the Star Site. Puffers have been plentiful on reef junk, and the eating quality of the odd looking "sea squab" is excellent.

Until next week, have fun and be safe!

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| Tautog  | February 2, 2010 Frank Graziano "Morning Star" 19 lbs. 10 oz. | April 22, 2010 Ryan Falgowski Outer Wall 11 lbs. 2 oz. | Thresher Shark  | June 4, 2010 Kevin Taylor Hot Dog 627.6 lbs. | June 11, 2010 Jay Richwine "Saltwater Cowboy" 560 lbs. |
| Striped Bass  | April 23, 2010 Tom Walker Assateague Surf 45 lbs. 4 oz. | May 7, 2010 Bill Winkler Indian River Inlet 42 lbs. 15 oz. | Bluefin Tuna  | July 7, 2010 George Poveromo "That's Right" 126 lbs. | July 3, 2010 Thomas Miles Southeast Grounds 109 lbs. |
| Weakfish  | No Weights Reported | June 6, 2010 Domenic Caputo Roosevelt Inlet 7 lbs. 2 oz. | Yellowfin Tuna  | August 20, 2010 Brian Thompson "Reel Chaos" 105 lbs. | August 25, 2010 John Kucyk "American Ambition" 80 lbs. |
| Speckled Trout  | No Weights Reported | No Weights Reported | Longfin Tuna  | August 20, 2010 Harvey Fisher "Jade II" 40 lbs. | July 16, 2010 Jimmy Saunders Spencer Canyon 47.3 lbs. |
| Flounder  | NEW August 31, 2010 Jerry Gray East Channel 10 lbs. 6 oz. | July 27, 2010 Lisa Koshinskie Indian River Inlet 12 lbs. 11 oz. | Bigeye Tuna  | June 13, 2010 Ron Los, Jr. "Marli" 211 lbs. | August 25, 2010 Pat Hanley "Pandemonium" 188 lbs. |
| Bluefish  | June 5, 2010 Jeremiah Leader Inside Rockpile 14 lbs. 5 oz. | June 12, 2010 Kyle Falgowski Hot Dog 12 lbs. 6 oz. | Dolphin  | August 17, 2010 Vincent Baiocco "American Lady" 56 lbs. | July 8, 2010 Jere Bryant "Wave Dancer" 37.8 lbs. |
| Sheepshead  | NEW September 5, 2010 Mark Fleetwood South Jetty 11 lbs. 9 oz. | July 23, 2010 Herbie Shorthose Ice Breakers 12 lbs. 15 oz. | Wahoo  | July 11, 2010 Gary Tanner "Bill\$ 4 Bills" 75 lbs. | August 14, 2010 Johnny Horning Baltimore Canyon 62 lbs |
| Cobia  | June 24, 2010 Juan Franzetti African Queen 61 lbs. | July 27, 2010 Porter Krisher "A" Buoy 51.9 lbs. | White Marlin  | Most Releases in One Day August 30, 2010 "Billfisher" 57 releases August 31, 2010 "Fish Whistle" 15 releases | |

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Mara Danoff reeled in this 7 lb. 9 oz. flounder while drifting over a Delaware Bay reef aboard the "Top Fin" with Capt. Pete Haines. Weighed at Lewes Harbour Marina.

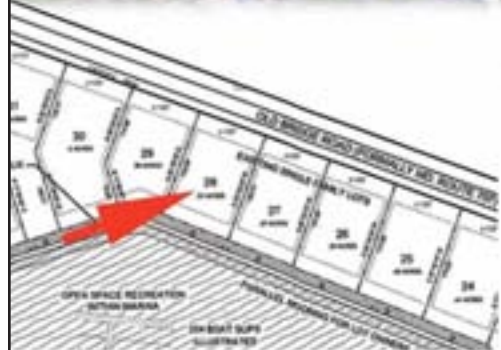


On Sunday, Mark Fleetwood from Laurel, DE, pictured with Travis Hastings, captured this 26-inch, 11 lb. 9 oz. sheephead while fishing with sand fleas around the South Jetty.

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The day after the "White Marlin Blitz of 2010", the crew on the "Partner-Ship" headed to the Washington Canyon and returned with 7 white marlin releases. Pictured are Troy Purnell, Bobby Kitchens, Mark Cropper, Spencer Cropper and Greg Steen.



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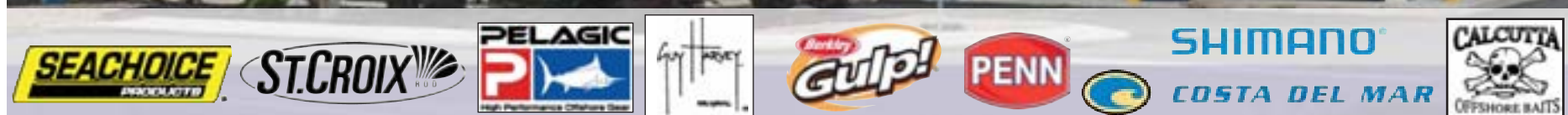
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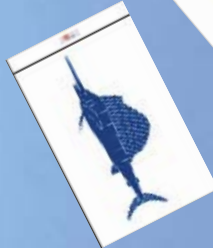
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With Labor Day now behind us, I think it's safe to say that this is going to prove to be at least the third summer in a row that most of our local charter fleet has spent more time tied up to the dock than out fishing and earning a paycheck. While many captains will be quick to blame the state of the economy and changes within the fishery on their lack of bookings, there's others who have managed to

stay busy enough, that even during these difficult times they can already call this season "a success." These captains might not run the biggest boats, have the fanciest websites, spend a bundle of money on advertising, or even catch anymore fish than the other guys, but they're doing "something" right that's keeping their phones ringing and their businesses in the black during a time when so many other captains are struggling to stay afloat.

Unless you're running a boat that belongs to some "fat-cat" who is willing to pay you a salary even if you don't leave the dock, charter fishing is a tough business to make any money at. Before I started running my own charters I worked at a marina and booked trips for about 14 boats. The time spent behind the counter was a great opportunity to see and learn first-hand what worked and what didn't for the different captains, and the experience helped me prepare my own business plan when I decided to move from the dock office to the helm of my own boat. Since then, every one of my 24-seasons has been a financial success. I only mention that to give credence to the following recommendations I'm going to make to other captains who might be looking for a way to improve their own charter bookings. These are some guidelines that have worked for me:

Don't rely on the marina you operate out of to handle your charter bookings or get you customers: You want potential clients to speak to you directly because you are your boat's best salesman - not someone in the dock office who probably doesn't know as much about fishing as you do and certainly doesn't know as

much about your boat and your trips. If you want to get lots of charters you'll need to do your own advertising and self promotion. These days, every captain needs their own website and someone to follow-up promptly on email requests.

Captains and mates should always look and behave professionally: No matter if they're working on the boat or walking across the marina parking lot. A captain or mate could, at any time, run into a potential customer. Whether their assessment is accurate or not, potential customers know nothing more about the captains and mates than what they "see" and they will surely be a lot more inclined to spend their hard-earned vacation money they set aside to take their family out fishing on a boat that's run by a clean, well dressed, polite and respectful captain and mate than a scraggly looking, bare-foot-bare-chested, beer in one hand, cigarette in the other crewmember they encounter hanging out behind a boat at the marina.

When the fishing day is over GO HOME: When I'm done on the boat each day I head directly home and typically spend about an hour answering emails and returning calls from people who left messages on my answering machine about charters. I book a lot of trips before (and during) dinner and can't imagine how many trips I'd lose if I included a "Happy Hour" stop between the boat and home every night. The fishing season is short, the bars are open all year, captains should decide if it's more important to "socialize" or "book trips." On a similar note; all customers deserve 100% performance from both captain and mate, so there's no place on a charter boat for a crewmember with a hangover.

Always maintain a happy environment on the boat: People go fishing to have an enjoyable day on the water, it's

not "all" about catching fish. Even on days when the fish are biting like crazy, the "fun" part of the trip can easily be ruined for the clients by poorly chosen actions or words from the crew. No matter how tough the day is going, the crew must stay up-beat and positive, and should never argue with each other or use profanity in front of their clients. If the chemistry between the captain and mate is sour, or one of them insults, intimidates, or is in anyway disrespectful to a client, it can put a dark cloud over the entire trip and certainly ruin the chance that the group will ever book the boat again. Captains and mates have to think "long-term" and treat every client in such a way that they will want to come back again. There are a lot of other boats that customers can select the next time they want to go fishing!

Have the right boat for the job. Let's face it, if you spend a million dollars on a boat you're going to have to run a lot of charters and charge a lot for them if you expect to turn a profit at the end of the year. Rather than being flashy and loaded with every accessory and high-tech gadget possible, charter boats that actually turn a profit tend to be more on the sturdy, practical and economical side. More stuff just means more maintenance, more expense and less money in the bank. Someone who has overcapitalized will never make money running charters and should consider downsizing to a vessel that's more practical for the job at hand.

Educate your customers: Anyone can take people out and help them catch fish. But crews should also act as "guides" and make the extra effort to explain to their clients not only how to catch a fish but also a thing or two about the interesting local marine life (turtles, whales, sunfish, birds), facts about the weather and how it affects sea conditions, navigation, and details about the boat and its

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systems. These are the things that customers enjoy hearing and appreciate learning about and what will help bring them back to the boat each year.

Know your expenses and fish on a budget: Captains need to keep abreast of the cost of fuel, bait, ice and other expenses for any given trip. If charter prices were set based on daily runs out to the Hot Dog and the bite turns on way out at the Wilmington Canyon, a decision will have to be made whether to raise prices, stick to the budget and only go so far as the Hot Dog, or run the extra distance and take the loss of income. Catching fish at any expense is seldom a good option for charter captains who are struggling to turn a profit. And if you're not making a profit what's the point of being in the business in the first place?

It's a lot easier for a captain to blame the economy, the fishing, or the dock office for not getting many charters rather than consider that it

could be his own actions that's stifling the business. I've been around the docks long enough to know that a lot (if not most) other captains will look at these suggestions and blow them off as useless or not appropriate for their own charter operations. But the fact is, there are indeed a few boats in town who have managed to stay busy this summer. Keeping a full schedule is doable but only for those willing to run their business like a "business." Any charter captain who has just spent five or more days of each week tied to the dock rather than out fishing, but still insist that they there's no need for them to change the way they conduct their operations should give an honest answer to a simple question; How's that business plan working for you?

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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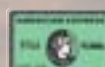
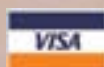


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In recent years, a system has been activated to help those in need of assistance and it is referred to as DSC or Digital Selective Calling. All VHF radios manufactured today are

required to have this feature. You will often see it on your VHF as a red window that is marked "DISTRESS" OR "EMERGENCY". Depending on the model, you may also see another button on the radio that is marked DSC. Although broadly referred to as DSC, they actually perform two distinct functions, one being the distress call in an emergency and the other being a means of communicating back and forth between selected vessels.

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Once that is complete, you have both distress and digital selective calling available to you. If you have an emergency, you should lift the cover on your radio marked "distress" or

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Some VHF's have the ability to monitor two channels

independently so that you can "stand by" on channel 70 for DSC calls while operating on another channel. Using DSC is actually not difficult once you get it set up and understand its operation. For more precise details on setting up and using DSC on your own radio, you should consult your operator's manual.

One side note here is that DSC is part of a larger program by the Coast Guard referred to as RESCUE 21, which will aid the Coast Guard in carrying out all the missions the Coast Guard performs by providing an advanced command, control, and communications (C3) system that is more reliable, and more capable than the current system. Not all areas have the full system installed at this time. Check with your local Coast Guard to see if they have Rescue 21 implemented and/or if they monitor Channel 70.

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Mary DiCarlo of Berlin, MD showed sons, Jim and P.J. how it's done, capturing these 2 flounder while drifting minnows between the East and West Channel aboard the "Rylie & Boomer". The flounder measured 19.5 and 22-inches.

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This group of anglers had a great day flounder fishing aboard the "Morning Star" with Capt. Monty Hawkins and Mates Rich Silvani and Mike Kinder. Pictured are Ethan Joseph and Laura Myers from Wilmington, DE, Cross Ferrara, Brendan Massey and Nicholas Ferrara from Middletown, DE and Vinnie Manetti from Bear, DE. All of the fish were caught on an artificial reef on flounder belly, squid and green crabs. Vinnie's flounder was the largest of the trip, coming in at 4 lbs. 12 oz. Pictured at the Ocean City Fishing Center.

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Chincoteague

Anglers have been enjoying good fishing in the area. Flounder have actually been caught from the surf lately, along with pinhead croaker, spot, small black sea bass, striped bass, and sharks. Inshore, flounder catches have been steadily picking up, while croaker and kingfish catches were decreasing. The Canal, Buoy 14, Buoy 19, the Southside of the Queen Sound Bridge, and the area in front of Capt. Bob's Marina were just a few spots where keeper flounder have been caught.

Offshore, dolphin were abundant and a yellowfin tuna was brought from the Lumpy Bottom. The wrecks were hot with nice sized flounder.

Wachapreague

According to staff at Captain Zed's, a red drum release citation (51 inches) was recorded last weekend from Buoy 42A. A citation-sized wahoo was also caught off of Wachapreague weighing over 37 pounds. Anglers continued to catch flounder, despite the slowing bite. Small croaker were also available, but few large ones have arrived.

Cape Charles

Flounder fishing has been good, according to staff at Chris' Bait and Tackle, and recent croaker catches have yielded large fish as well. Last

week, croaker were still biting well in Oyster and around Buoy 262.

Lower Bay/Bridge Tunnel

Flounder, very close to citation size, were reported from Salt Pond's Marina last week. Staff also mentioned that cobia and croaker have been caught, along with a few spot.

Kathy, at Wallace's Bait and Tackle, reported that a few more cobia were weighed in last weekend. Last week's citations included two red drum release citations (47 and 50.5 inches) and a 7-pound, 15-ounce flounder caught over the weekend. Cobia were spotted in good sized groupings around the buoys, and anglers caught flounder around the Chesapeake Bay Bridge Tunnel. Spot and croaker were reported from the Back River area, as well as some nice puppy drum (juvenile red drum).

Spot have started to show up in the York River and croaker fishing has been pretty good, according to staff at the York River Fishing Center. Numerous cobia were caught by sight-casters, and large flounder were scattered across the Bay. Medium-sized spot were biting at the Gloucester point pier.

Virginia Beach

Dr. Julie Ball, IGFA International Representative for Virginia Beach, contributed the

following:

The Labor Day weekend marks the end of summer fun for many, but not if you are an angler on the Mid-Atlantic coast! This is a great time of year on the local fishing front. So, while keeping a watchful eye on hurricane Earl, anglers scrambled to get in some fishing before the weather hit. The fish seemed to cooperate with this plan.

Cobia action is still on fire as the fish gather in droves near the mouth of the Bay and nearby coastal waters. Anglers are also finding more fish crowding around bridge pilings and buoys. Huge schools of cobia are cruising in open water as they prepare to head south, readily taking baits from sight casters. Action is also heating up along the Virginia Beach ocean front as more fish head in that direction.

Flounder action is still very good right now, but rain and wind from Earl could shut this down. Flatfish continue to assemble along channel edges, shoals, and structure as they prepare to exit the Bay. Drifting along the channel edges and near the Bay Bridge Tunnel is generating keeper-sized fish, with a few doormats mixed in. Anglers targeting flatfish with live bait and jigs are finding some big fish along the Chesapeake Bay Bridge Tunnel, with all four islands providing good action. Inshore and nearshore wrecks are also good places to try right now. According to the folks at Long Bay Pointe Bait and Tackle, the flounder bite inside the inlets eased up recently.

Spot are already thrilling local anglers as they fill coolers from lower Bay fishing piers. One couple ran out of bloodworms after filling two coolers with keeper-sized spot while fishing from the Lynnhaven Fishing Pier last week. According to the folks at The Virginia Beach Fishing

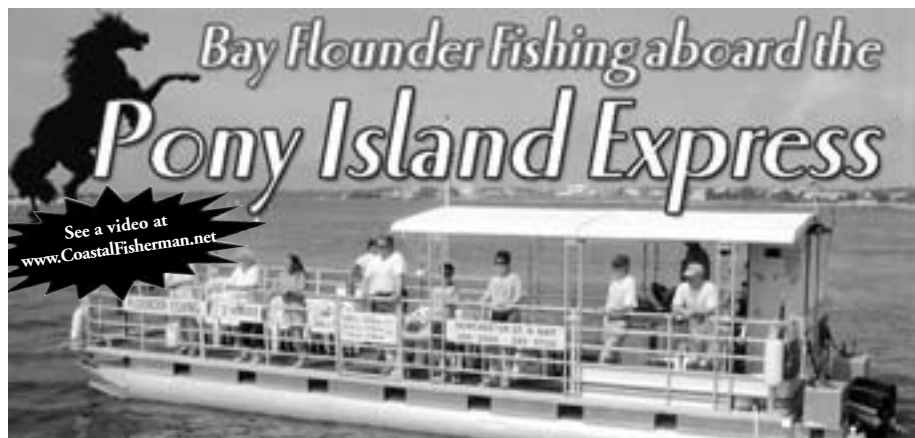
Center, spot are also coming from both Rudee and Lynnhaven Inlets. This action should only improve over the next few weeks. Big croaker are hitting in the backwaters of Oyster right now, with many hardheads ranging to nearly two pounds.

Large red drum are still roaming the lower Bay shoals, the Eastern Shore barrier islands, and the islands of the Chesapeake Bay Bridge Tunnel, where anglers are scoring with big fish on lures. Also look for red drum schooling off the ocean front. Puppy drum (juvenile red drum) are still around in local inlets, but the bite has slowed. Speckled trout are also showing promise, with some fish pushing over 9 pounds caught lately. The best places to try for specks are Lynnhaven, Rudee, and Little Creek Inlets, as well as the Poquoson flats and Hungar's creek.

To sheepshead hunter's delight, these fish are still going strong. Anglers are taking sheeps from the Chesapeake Bay Bridge Tunnel structure on fiddler crabs and clam. Triggerfish are still staging in all the same locations, presenting an easy target. Some of these fish are over 3 pounds.

King mackerel have yet to take off, but a nice 36-pound smoker boated off Sandbridge last weekend is encouraging. September and October are good months for kings, so anglers are still hopeful. Spanish mackerel are still providing action within the Bay and along the ocean front. On the Eastern Shore, tarpon are still active, but this could end with the effects from Earl. Big amberjack continue to take baits and jigs at the Southern Towers, while both crevalle jack and amberjack are a possibility at the Chesapeake Light Tower.

Deep dropping is going well with nice blueline tilefish, golden tilefish, blackbellied rosefish, and big sea bass, but most folks are now focusing on the hot marlin bite. Most offshore boats are heading north towards the Washington Canyon, where several boats released dozens of white marlin



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J.L. Cropper from West Ocean City, was fishing with her husband Hugh (not pictured) and children Hugh Thomas and Myra Cropper when she caught and released this red drum, measuring over 50-inches, while drifting live spot in the Middle Ground off Cape Charles. The red drum was one of five released that day.

last week. Scattered blue marlin and sailfish are also around. A good number of nice wahoo and some large gaffer dolphin also hit spreads last week. Swordfish will become a target as the waters cool.

Outer Banks, NC

Offshore fishing out of Oregon Inlet has been affected by the large swells generated by Hurricane Earl. However, after the storm passed and the seas subsided, there was generally nice weather following a hurricane. Earlier last week, tuna (yellowfin, blackfin, bigeye, and skipjack) were caught in good numbers. Dolphin, wahoo, king mackerel, and amberjack were caught with a little less regularity. Billfish catches were dominated by sailfish. King mackerel were working about eight miles offshore. Various snapper, grouper, blueline tilefish, and sea bass were caught by bottom fishermen in deeper waters.

Around the shallower-water artificial reefs sea bass, tautog, and sheepshead were hooked. Nearshore boats, pier fishermen, and surf anglers found bluefish, Spanish mackerel, spot, croaker, pompano and puffers. Inside water anglers were targeting speckled trout and flounder.

South of Oregon Inlet, the Park Service has closed many of the beaches limiting angler opportunities. It is difficult to predict when these beaches will be reopened. Early last week, bluefish were reported around the Point, and Spanish mackerel, bluefish, and puppy drum were spotted south of the Point.

Offshore fishing out of Hatteras Inlet produced good numbers of dolphin catches, as well as wahoo and blackfin tuna. Rough seas have kept a lot of boats tied up at the dock, but inshore fishermen have seen puppy drum, speckled trout, and flounder.



Ken Dodson from Ocean View, DE boated this 24-inch, 4 lb. 14 oz. flounder while fishing on the "Angler" with Capt. Chris Mizurak and Mate Matt Temple. The flounder was caught on a bluefish fillet at the Great Eastern Reef. Pictured at Capt. Bill Bunting's Angler Dock on Talbot Street in downtown Ocean City.

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Jeff Schmidt from West Ocean City, MD has had a good summer catching flounder off the 4th Street Bulkhead. Here, Jeff is pictured with a 22-incher caught on live spot.



Paul Taylor from Long Neck, DE captured this 43 lb. wahoo while trolling at the Tea Cup. Weighed at Rick's Bait & Tackle.

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On Sunday, there was a hot wahoo bite around the Hot Dog and these anglers on the "Banshee" were there to take advantage of it. Fishing with Capt. Terry Murray and Mate Chris Ragni were Justin, Jason and Greg Goe, Brady Groff, Bill Miller and Scott Cunningham, all from Lancaster, PA. The anglers ended up with 4 wahoo and some tuna, with all caught on trolled ballyhoo. Pictured at Fisherman's Marina.



Anglers on the "Jezebel" crushed the dolphin on Sunday, coming home with 60 in the box after fishing in 50 fathoms between the Poor Man's and Washington Canyons. Fishing on the "Jezebel" were John Leichling from Chestertown, MD, Savannah and John Leichling from Greensboro, MD, Brad Blades from Kent Island, MD, Capt. Chester Sadowski and Mates Joe Maffei and Frank Steuernagle. Pictured at Sunset Provisions.



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Heath Brothers Win 52nd St. Croaker Tournament



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Baron Daiker from Reisterstown, MD released his first white marlin while fishing on the "Reel Desire" with his dad, Rich Daiker, Capt. Scooby and Mate Travis Brown. The white marlin was 1 of 4 hooked during the trip in the Washington Canyon.

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Bob Ambrose from Pasadena, MD caught this 67 lb. wahoo while fishing on the "Excavator" with Giuseppe Serio, Jim Daniel (not pictured), Martin Aldred (not pictured), Capt. Mike Courtney and Mate Joe Ungvarsky. The wahoo was hooked on a skirted ballyhoo in 50 fathoms south of the Rockpile. The group also caught 33 dolphin and released a white marlin during the trip. Pictured at Sunset Marina.



Professional headboat fisherman, George Henning from Ocean City, MD was joined by "Tuna Dale" Seiger from West Lawn, PA for a day of fishing aboard the "Morning Star" with Capt. Monty Hawkins and Mate Tucker Colquhoun. George ended up with a 22-inch flounder and Dale landed himself a 25-incher on a strip of squid. Pictured at the Ocean City Fishing Center.

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Maryland Coast Day and Coastal Clean-Up Set for September 18th

Assateague Coastal Trust (ACT) announced that it is time to plan for the annual MARYLAND COAST DAY and COASTAL CLEAN-UP on Assateague Island, scheduled for Saturday, September 18.

The day begins at the Assateague National Seashore north parking lot at 8:30 a.m. where volunteers will register, pick up a data card, and then head out along the beach and dune lines to collect trash. Each volunteer gets a free Coastal Clean-Up t-shirt.

Staff and a truck will be available to pick up large items like tires, lumber or even car parts. Kim Fehrer, Event Coordinator, explained, "One year we actually found a Volkswagen engine block and in subsequent years volunteers found a VW wheel and other parts. We hope to eventually retrieve the entire car!"

In last year's Regional Coastal Clean-Up, 2,500 volunteers collected approximately 35,000 pounds of trash from shorelines in Delaware and Maryland's lower Eastern Shore, including the Coastal Bays watershed.

Clean-up starts on the Assateague Island National Seashore where the entrance fee will be waived for the event. Volunteers need to tell the Ranger at the booth that they

will be helping with the cleanup efforts. Trash bags and data cards will be provided. Volunteers are encouraged to bring water, hat, gloves, insect repellent and sunscreen.

Also on September 18th, the 14th Annual "Maryland Coast Day", hosted by Assateague Coastal Trust, Assateague State Park, Friends of Assateague State Park and the Maryland Coastal Bays Program, takes place in the Assateague State Park parking lot from 11:00 am to 4:00 pm. It is free to the public and offers visitors to Assateague Island a fun day listening to local entertainment, eating BBQ and checking out the many educational displays as well as arts and crafts booths.

This event attracts more than 3,000 visitors for exhibits, local food, music and children's activities.

Fehrer added, "Maryland Coast Day is fun-filled with something for everyone, like the hands-on educational activities for kids at ACT's Coast Kids activity booth and DNR's Scales and Tails interactive displays. Assateague Coastal Trust will be joined by other environmental organizations and agencies demonstrating what they do and what YOU can do to protect our coastal bays and beaches."

If you have questions about either of these events, please call Kim Fehrer, at Assateague Coastal Trust, 410-629-1538.



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Names & towns of others in photo

Weight and/or length of fish

Bait or lure used

Location of catch

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*As always, we do our best to run the pictures we receive; however, we are sometimes unable to run all of the pictures due to space restrictions and other circumstances.

TIDES & MOON PHASES

OCEAN CITY INLET

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|---------------------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Wed. Sept. 8 New Moon | Low 01:50 am Low 02:11 pm | High 08:14 am High 08:44 pm |
| Thurs. Sept. 9 | Low 02:36 am Low 03:03 pm | High 09:07 am High 09:32 pm |
| Fri. Sept. 10 | Low 03:32 am Low 03:57 pm | High 10:00 am High 10:20 pm |
| Sat. Sept. 11 | Low 04:09 am Low 04:52 pm | High 10:52 am High 11:07 pm |
| Sun. Sept. 12 | Low 04:58 am Low 05:50 pm | High 11:46 am High 11:56 pm |
| Mon. Sept. 13 | Low 05:50 am Low 06:52 pm | High ----- High 12:43 pm |
| Tues. Sept. 14 | Low 06:46 am Low 07:55 pm | High 12:49 am High 01:48 pm |
| Wed. Sept. 15 First Quarter | Low 07:46 am Low 08:58 pm | High 01:50 am High 03:01 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
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September 17 - 18 • OC Marlin Club
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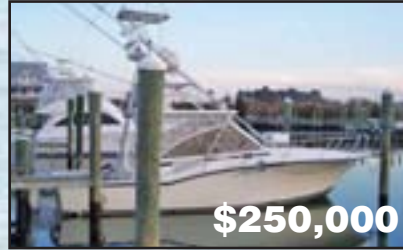
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