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There was big news on Saturday, a report of the first thresher shark of the season at Bahia Marina! Patrick Snell Jr., with Capt. Patrick Snell Sr. from Ellicott City, MD had in fact caught a nice 81" and 267 lb. thresher! They were fishing at the Twin Wrecks on the charter boat "MAKO me CRAZY" with Stacy Snell & Hannah Snell from Ellicott City, MD with Wesley McMahon and Andrew Howard from Olney, MD and mate John Adams from Berlin, MD. They were in 60' water when this one hit on a whole mackerel securing their spot as first thresher for 2021 which was extra special since we did not have any threshers reported in 2020!



Chic Stearrett from Ocean View, DE braved the rocks at the Indian River Inlet earlier in May to land this 43", 35 lb. rockfish. He was fishing with 30 lb line on a Penn rod/Shimono reel combo using a jig head with a Bass Assassin. This one went back into the drink for another day with different regulations!



Sea bass does make you smile! Melissa Kormanec was almost ear to ear sharing the fish she caught with Capt. Chris Mizurak on the headboat "Angler"! These two were 2 lbs. and went for clams at an artificial reef.

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Not be left out, our own Rich 'Delicious' Daiker with Kenny Schoen and his son Ashton headed out on opening day for sea bass to work some of the OCRF reef numbers. They were not disappointed and found fish up to 19" using squid, clams and Gulp.



James and Julie Trickey from Wilmington, DE went out with Sean Tate from Smyrna, DE last week to try their luck at the Del-Jersey reef. Their jig heads with Gulp did the trick and they got their limit of sea bass with fish up to 3 lbs!


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The charter boat "Ro Sham Bo" with Capt. Willie Zimmerman gave us all a nice surprise on Sunday when he returned to the Ocean City Fishing Center with a boat load of fish! Not waiting for the warmer water to come to us, he went to them during a 36 hours trip south starting in the Norfolk Canyon. There he found a patch of 70° water and within an hour they hooked up with a blue marlin that hit a Fish Down Sea Tuna Flare. This one was estimated at over 500 lbs., but got off. They hooked into another blue that ate their 18" Sterling Sidetracker before it got loose! Things turned after that when they went 2 for 3 on white marlin, also caught on the Tuna Flare. Then they moved to the Washington Canyon for the night and released a blue shark, 2 dusky's and boated a 72" male mako with 61 sea bass and 32 tilefish!

Upcoming Tournaments

- Next weekend is the first Franky Pettolina Memorial Day Tournament and the 12th installment of this venerable event. Fishing will be 1 of 2 days on Saturday or Sunday and you do not need to be a member of the club to participate. Weigh-ins are 3-6PM at Sunset Marina.

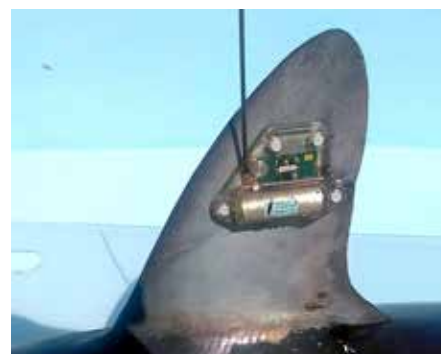
- The next weekend is the aforementioned 25th Annual Mako Mania Tournament at Bahia Marina. This event was canceled last year due to the pandemic so there is a lot of excitement building. Weigh-ins will be held at Bahia Marina from 3:30-7:30pm.

- Also on the radar is a new tournament, Tuna & Tiaras Ladies Tuna Tournament on June 18 & 19 being held at the Ocean City Fishing Center. This is the first NOAA registered ladies' tournament with tuna as the primary catch!

Until next time I will see you around and at the scales for the Franky Pettolina Memorial Day Tourney! §


Snell Jr., with his dad Capt. Patrick Snell Sr. from Ellicott City were working the Twin Wrecks in 60° water when they connected with an 81", 267 lb. thresher using whole mackerel for bait. This was a big event for us as we did not record or see a thresher shark catch for the entire season in 2020!

Our very own Mark Sampson on the "Fish Finder" also did well last week. He had one trip last Friday where they caught and released 4 mako sharks in the Fingers using sea bass for bait in 61° water. They ranged from an estimated 75 to 200 pounds. Three of



these were also fitted with satellite SPOT tag transmitters and the fourth with a conventional shark tag. These satellite devices will enable researchers and the public to track their movements over the next 1-2 years. On the next day Saturday they also released a blue shark, another mako caught by Trent White. They were also surprised to catch and release their first tiger shark for the season. The water was only 62° and is typically too cool for tigers. Last week you will also remember that Capt. Mark Malamphy on the "Finatic" released a dusky shark.

All this shark action and the cover being pictured at Bahia Marina and Fish Tales in Ocean City is perfect since the 25th Annual Mako Mania Tournament is just



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- This Week Last Year**
- The flounder fishing was strong in the Lewes and Rehoboth Canal.
 - Rockfish were running off the beaches as were drums with citation fish being caught.
 - Weather was an issue with strong winds and a tropical system passing off shore.
 - The "Wrecker" landed a 74" swordfish on May 14th.
 - First mako of the year was brought in by the "Finatic", 84" female weighing 165 lbs.
 - Dylan Wiley reported the first yellowfin tuna from the Washington Canyon.

While the story for last week remains a strong flounder bite and good action for sea bass and rockfish, the warmer waters in the canyons are slowly moving toward us! Some boats are making the trip south to find the tips of these warm water areas with good success. For example, we had our second bluefin tuna report for the season from Capt. JT DiGuglielmo on the "Gringo Loco" out of Lewes, DE. They ran down to



the Washington Canyon and boated a 31 lb. and 36 inch bluefin caught on a Joe Shute lure. This was the first fish reported from Delaware!

Shark fishing is also on the rise and much closer for some. Our cover this week is a nice thresher shark caught by the "MAKO me CRAZY" out of the Pines Point Marina in Berlin, MD. Patrick



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The anglers on the "Judith M" headboat out of Bahia Marina enjoyed a beautiful day of sea bass fishing. While fishing at several inshore reef sites, Angler Christina McDonald from Georgetown, DE found this sea bass while Capt. Eric Shoff had the boat in 80-100 feet of water using squid, clams and some artificial lures for bait.

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by Capt. BJ Pietryak



The key change this week is twofold, a lot warmer weather and a lot more people in town. This also means a lot more anglers on the water catching fish.

Flounder

Flounder remains strong in the back bays of Ocean City. The area behind Assateague Island is the hotspot again this week. Find the deeper holes on the bends and near flats and you will find the fish. Gulp is starting to be effective but the killer combo of squid and minnows still rules for getting keeper fish. The main thoroughfare has also started to heat up with fish being caught in front of the Coast Guard station. Be careful when you drift this area as currents are strong and the remnants of

the old railroad car tracks are very snaggy. The area along the 2nd street causeway is also producing. On the near shore coral and wrecks we still have very few reports of flounder being caught. With the recent heat wave the water should be warming up and should start producing flounder on the wrecks. Big gulp is the go to baits on the wrecks and coral. Tip of the week... The flounder on most wrecks are usually found on the down current side, so as the wreck appears on your sounder drop your bait down. Due to the movement of the boat your bait should touch bottom just on the down current side right where the flounder are staging. When targeting flounder on deeper wrecks as well as natural bottom, live spot or large minnows can be

the trick to catching a trophy flounder.

Sea Bass

Sea bass remains strong on the deeper wrecks. The go to sites this week are the Jacks spot and the Great Eastern reef. Target the deeper holes with fresh clam or sand fleas and you're sure to do well. The rough bottom at the Jack Spot has been holding some nice fish up to 4 lbs. The light winds this week made for a long drift and plenty of action. This week was also a lot less crowded out there so the fish bit more aggressively. In shore the areas of the African Queen as well as the Bass Grounds also began to turn on this week with some nice fish being caught. Targeting the wrecks by anchor or a slow drift over them seemed to be the ticket to filling

www.coastalfisherman.net the boat with dinner. Again, fresh bait is working much better than the frozen or salted ones. Word from the headboats is that they are experiencing some great trips with customers slinging tons of fish over the rails. Jigging is also a great way to catch sea bass. The jigs target the bigger fish and although you won't catch as many, the ones you do catch are mostly nice size keepers. Metal spoon type jigs or the flat fall jigs are the most widely used and are carried by most tackle shops in the area. There are also a few local guys who make a more solid smaller jig which are also a great option. Whatever your choice, now is the time to get out if you love sea bass as many do! As the weather warms the sea bass will go deeper and be more difficult to find.

Rockfish, Bluefish & Sharks

The rockfish bite showed an increase this week in the bay areas of Ocean City. The top spot was right by the Rt. 50 bridge. Big Bird once again was

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 casting his jigs along the pilings of the bridge and took home a few nice keeper rockfish. Tip of the week... Position your boat just up current of the bridge pilings and let your paddle tail jig bounce along the bottom between the pilings. These fish sit right next to pilings waiting for bait or small fish to swim by ambushing them as they do. Expect some snags when fishing this way so bring a supply of jigs for you will surely use a couple. Cut bait can also work well but will attract more bluefish than stripers. The area of the Verrazano Bridge was also a good area to target rockfish this week, however, the fish there were smaller. The good news is there was a lot more of them and seemed more eager to strike the bait. Bluefish also had a rise in catches this week. Night time is best when targeting these fish. The area around the Rt. 50 bridge is always a great spot to try, however, don't overlook the area along the bulkhead at 2nd Street. Drifting cut bait along the wall is always a crowd favorite. The only problem with this area is you have to watch out for anglers fishing from shore.

Surf Fishing

Surf fishing has tempered down. Even the Assateague surf, which has been on fire the past few weeks, has shown sign of slowing down. Fresh crab or sand fleas is your best bait. The fish are still tight to shore so don't cast too far past the breakers or you will overthrow these fish.

Clams & Crabs

Clamming is starting to turn on, however clams are deep so rake over the same area a few times to get deep enough. Crabbing is slow due to the fact that most females have eggs and cant be kept. Ratio is about 4-5 keepers per pot with most being female.

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They tuna are coming, the tuna are coming! Capt. J.T. DiGuglielmo of Lewes, DE took Colleen Bailey and Grier Wakefield, also from Lewes, down to the Washington Canyon to find this 36" and 31 pound bluefin tuna as well as two tilefish. They were fishing on the "Gringo Loco" when they caught this first bluefin for Delaware in 2021 using a Joe Shute lure.

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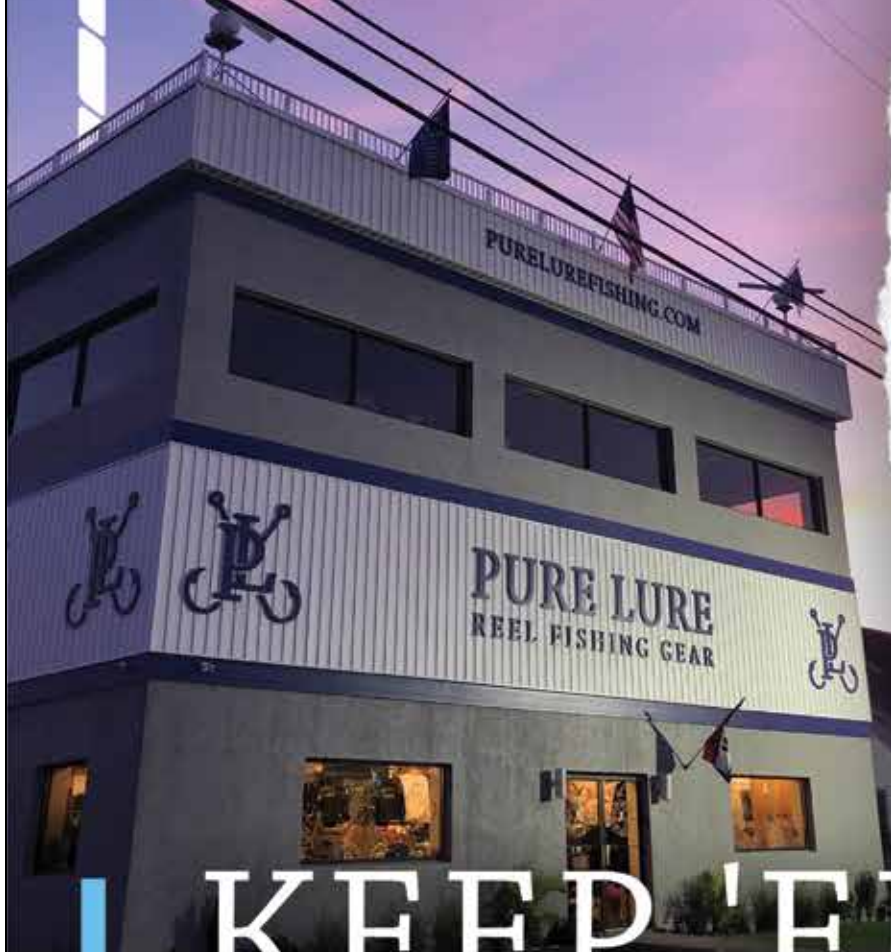
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They grow the flounder big on the Virginia Peninsula. Katelyn Wingate from Selbyville, DE traveled south to Wachapreague, VA to bag this 20" flounder and 3 other while fishing with her dad using shiners and minnows. Nice job!

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Albert Bayard from Meadowsburg, MD was one of the lucky ones to be part of the sea bass opening day crew fishing on the headboat "Judith M" out of Bahia Marina in Ocean City. Capt. Walt Hammond put the anglers over several natural and artificial reefs in about 80 - 100 feet of water where they caught fish in the 14" - 18" range using clams, squid and some artificial lures.

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Wayne Gower had a nice double hook up last week with fish up to 2.5 lbs. while sea bass fishing on the deep sea vessel "Angler" based at the Talbot Street Pier. He was with Capt. Chris Mizurak and mates Rich and Steve at an artificial reef.



Another successful run on the headboat "Judy V" with Capt. Christopher Adams. This trip was to the Del-Jersey Reef with clams & squid for bait.

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She was 'just a bit outside'! The crew of the "Ro Sham Bo" released 2 white marlin and connected with a 3rd while on a 36 hour trip to the Norfolk Canyon. They were just outside the 100 mile limit set for our First & Heavy Fish categories as well as the Ocean City, Fisherman's United and Marlin Club prize monies for first white released each season! Still great to know they are close! These whites hit on a Tuna Flare from Fish Down Sea.



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The Buzas family had a nice day on the water last week while fishing with Capt. Dustin Lorah and mate Al Mullins. Lilly, Jack and Charlie with mom and dad Robin and Chris headed out to the Great Eastern Reef. Despite the 'extra' weather they found offshore, the kids did great handling the chop and reeling in the fish! Pictured at Fisherman's Marina.

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Another successful trip for the headboat "Judith M" moored at the Bahia Marina! Capt. Eric Shoaff took this group 18 - 20 miles offshore to find plenty of knoheads in 100 feet of water using squid, clams and shiners for bait. Tamera Johnson shows off sea bass and local flare with a Secrets sweatshirt!

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FISHING CHARTERS



Jeff Kirby is all smiles to be back in OC and after his trip with the family on the "Ocean City Guide Service" with Capt. John Prather. Jeff was a mate on the old Ocean City charter boat "Muff Diver" years ago. They fooled these four flounder using pink or white Otter Tails tipped with minnows.

Brothers Bryan Jr. and Braiden Miller with their dad Bryan from Waterford, VA fished May 21st for sea bass on the "Bubblehead" at the Great Eastern Reef with Capt. Buddy Whetzel and Mate Lisa Dudley. The crew kept a few for dinner while they threw back twice as many. The trip also included a shark dad hooked on the spinning reel that he fought for nearly an hour until it broke the line less than 20' from the boat!



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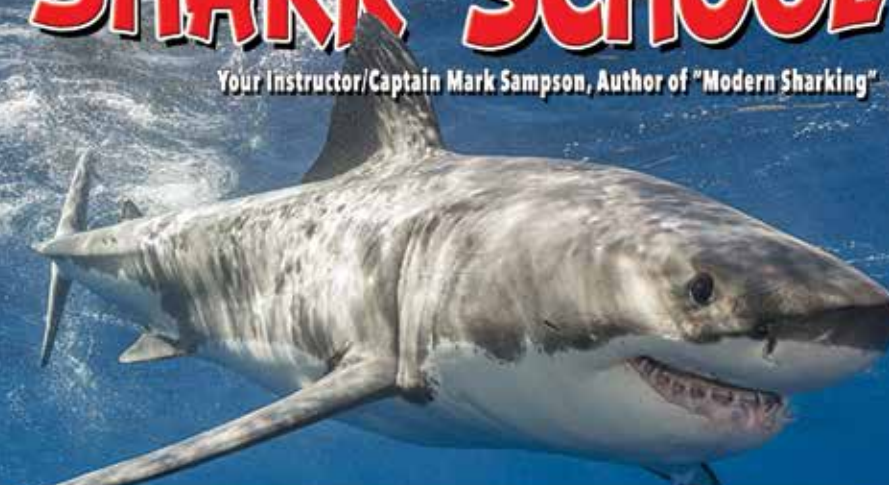
For those astute readers who remember Mark Sampson's Chum Lines article from last week, here is a pool noodle in action on the "Fish Finder"! This mako was 1 of 4 released on this trip last week ranging from an estimated 75 to 200 pounds. They were hooked at the Fingers on sea bass for bait in 61° water.



J.C. Dennis, Lyn Dennis, Jason Widgeon, T.J. Riley and Don Coffin from Berlin, MD fished Del-Jersey reef site on the "Capt. Ike II" early last week and caught some black sea bass.. Capt. Dave Collins noted the bite had slowed some since opening day weekend, but they managed to bring some fish back to the dock.

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FISHING CHARTERS



Who says you can't have it all? April Hillier, Tom Darling, Renee Miller and William Miller Jr. from upstate NY took a ride with Capt. Dave Caffrey of "On the Run" charters. They started in the Thorofare and boated 4 keeper flounder with Gulp, then ran offshore to a reef foundation site to get their limit of sea bass using squid!



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11 year old Gabriel Dalfonso from West Ocean City was casting a crank bait at the inlet toward the end of high tide where he caught multiple 16 to 18 inch stripers. He was fishing aboard the "Drop Money" with his dad David and sister Kyley.

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Pam Taylor took some time off her work running the upcoming Tuna & Tiara's Tournament to shoot out to the edge of the Jack Spot with Capt. Ron Taylor, Garrett Benner, Nick Mather, Kyle Dunn with Tim and Sydnie Wells of "Barstool Outdoors". Fishing on the newly re-powered "Playmaker" they made short work of this sea bass catch using squid and only managed to lose one crew member off the dock while unloading! Pictured at Sunset Marina.

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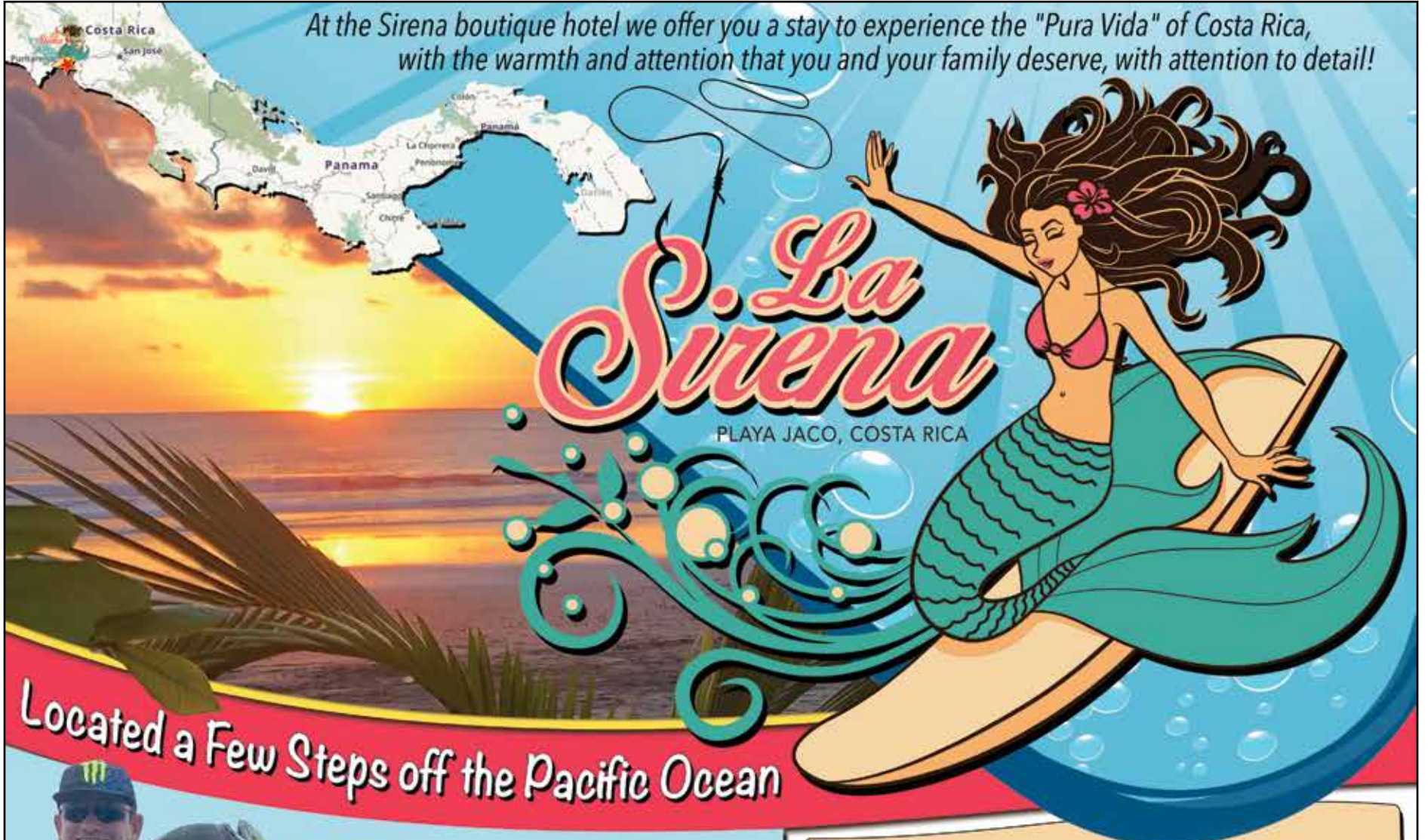
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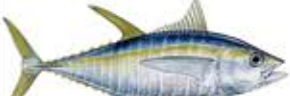






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(As reported to the Coastal Fisherman - TIES GO TO FIRST FISH REPORTED. HOOK & LINE ONLY)

Species	OCEAN CITY	DELAWARE	Species	OCEAN CITY	DELAWARE
Bluefish 	No Weights Reported	May 8 Gavin Murray Gull Island 15.1 lbs.	Mako Shark 	No Weights Reported	No Weights Reported
Black Drum 	April 11 Emily Blume Assateague Island 48 lbs.	May 7 Adam Clarke Slaughter Beach 77.5 lbs.	Thresher Shark ★ New 	May 22 Patrick Snell Twin Wrecks 267 lbs.	No Weights Reported
Cobia 	No Weights Reported	No Weights Reported	Bigeye Tuna 	No Weights Reported	No Weights Reported
Flounder 	May 8 Kevin Mcnelis Thorofare 4.2 lbs.	No Weights Reported	Bluefin Tuna 	No Weights Reported	No Weights Reported
Sea Bass 	No Weights Reported	No Weights Reported	Longfin Tuna 	No Weights Reported	No Weights Reported
Sheepshead 	No Weights Reported	No Weights Reported	Yellowfin Tuna 	No Weights Reported	No Weights Reported
Striped Bass 	May 6 Buddy Martin East Channel 17 lb. 8 oz.	No Weights Reported	Dolphin 	No Weights Reported	No Weights Reported
Tautog 	April 27 Kurtis Berry Ocean Structure 22.7 lbs.	April 19 Johnny Justison Ocean Structure 8.9 lbs.	Wahoo 	No Weights Reported	No Weights Reported
Weakfish 	No Weights Reported	No Weights Reported	White Marlin 	No Weights Reported	No Weights Reported

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Henry Busby was fishing in the Cast for a Cure Tournament last weekend which is sponsored by Delaware Fisherwomen and Old Inlet Bait & Tackle. This 37" rockfish took his cut spot off of Fenwick Island State Park, however being just over the limit, back she went to be caught another day.



The blues are starting to show up in larger numbers. Michael Higgins Jr. and his father Michael Sr. cast lures around the south Ocean City Bay behind Assateague with Capt. Jason Mumford and mate Ethan Nock. They used Old Skool Tackle Company soft plastics and Otter Tails to boat this 21" flounder and limit of 3 bluefish.



UPCOMING TOURNAMENT!

12th ANNUAL FRANKY PETTOLINA MEMORIAL DAY TOURNAMENT
To benefit the Catherine & Charles Kratz Memorial Foundation and Scholarship Fund
Registration: May 28, 6:30 - 8:00pm
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Weigh-Ins: May 29 & 30 4:30-7:00pm at Sunset Marina

TOURNAMENT SERIES

2021 SCHEDULE

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<p>42nd ANNUAL SMALL BOAT TOURNAMENT Registration: June 25, 6:30-8:00pm Fishing Days: (1 of 2) June 26 & 27 Weigh-Ins: June 26 & 27, 3:00-6:30pm at Sunset Marina</p>	<p>39th ANNUAL CANYON KICK OFF * Registration: July 1, 6:30-8:00pm FREE TO PAID OCMC BOAT MEMBERS Fishing Days: (2 of 3) July 2, 3, 4 Weigh-Ins: July 2-4, 5:00-7:30pm at Sunset Marina</p>	<p>17th ANNUAL KID'S CLASSIC * To benefit the Wish-A-Fish Foundation Registration: July 16, 6:00-8:00pm Fishing Days: (1 or 2 of 2) July 17 & 18 Weigh-Ins: July 17, 3:00-6:30pm and July 18, 3:00-6:00pm at Sunset Marina</p>	<p>13th ANNUAL OCMC LADIES' TOURNAMENT "HEELS & REELS"* To benefit the Marlin Club Crew of OC Scholarship Fund Registration: July 29, 6:00-8:00pm Fishing Days: (1 of 2) July 30 & 31 Weigh-Ins: July 30 & 31 5:30-7:30pm at Atlantic Tackle</p>
<p>6th ANNUAL OCMC vs OCLTC SHOOT-OUT Angler Meeting: August 26, 7:00pm Fishing Days: (2 of 3) August 27, 28, 29 No Weigh-Ins</p>	<p>63rd ANNUAL LABOR DAY WHITE MARLIN TOURNAMENT * Registration: September 2, 6:30-8:00pm Fishing Days: (2 of 3) September 3, 4, 5 Weigh-Ins: September 3,4,5 6:00-8:00pm at Sunset Marina</p>	<p>43rd ANNUAL CHARLES KRATZ & SCOTT SMITH CHALLENGE CUP Registration: September 16, 6:00-8:00pm Fishing Days: (2 of 2) September 17 & 18 No Weigh-Ins</p>	<div style="border: 2px solid black; padding: 10px; text-align: center;"> <p>CHECK FOR UPDATES on our WEBSITE & SOCIAL MEDIA</p> </div>

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Bloody Mary-

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- 1 oz. Fresh Lime Juice
- 1 dash Worcestershire
- 1 Tbsp Tabasco

- 1 Tbsp Fresh Horseradish
- 1 tsp Fresh Ground Black Pepper

Garnish-

- 2 Medium Shrimp
- 2 Slices Bacon
- 2 Sun Dried Tomato Stuffed Olives
- 2 Gherkins
- 2 Cherry Tomatoes
- 2 Pepperoncini
- 1 Sprig Fresh Dill
- 1 Celery Stalk
- ½ Carrot

Directions:

Fill a large glass half way with ice. Add all Bloody Mary ingredients and stir well with a bar spoon.

Garnish

Dust 2 pieces of shrimp with Old Bay seasoning and wrap with bacon. Put bacon wrapped shrimps on skewers and broil or grill until bacon is crispy -

about 2 minutes per side.

Skewer olives, tomatoes, gherkins, and pepperoncinis. Add to glass along with dill, celery, and carrot.

Enjoy as you see fit!

Dog Beach Shrimp Bake

This recipe comes to you from the South Bethany, DE dog beach. Our dog and CF mascot Marlin met Miranda on the dog beach last year and quickly fell for her. They've spent hours chasing each other around the sand. One day I learn that Miranda's owner Liz had a Shrimp Bake recipe that had to go in the Galley section. Sometimes what happens on the dog beach, can't always stay on the dog beach!

Ingredients:

- ¾ cup rice
- 1 tbsp. butter
- 2 tbsp. diced onion
- 2 tbsp. olive oil
- 1 teaspoon garlic
- ¾ lb. shrimp
- 6 oz. artichoke hearts, drained
- 1 6 oz. mozzarella, diced
- ¼ cup Parmesan cheese

Directions:

Rice: melt butter and sautéed diced



onions on a low flame until they are clear. Add rice to the onion and butter, and stir until the rice is coated. Add 1 ½ cups of boiling water to the rice and simmer for about 30 minutes or until water evaporates.

Bake olive oil and garlic for 2 minutes at 450°F.

De-vein and shell the shrimp. Combine shrimp, artichoke hearts, mozzarella and Parmesan cheese with olive oil and garlic. Transfer rice to a baking dish coated with canola or olive oil. Add all ingredients over the rice and bake for 10 - 12 minutes at 450°F. If using jumbo shrimp

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Spinach Stuffed Flounder

Ingredients:

Flounder Fillets. I like using medium-sized fillets that are about six ounces each, without skin, and of even thickness. Since you'll be filling and rolling them, it's important that they are sturdy enough not to tear during the prep or cooking.

Olive Oil, or another oil of your choice.

Old Bay Seasoning. You can also use cajun seasoning or your favorite fish seasoning.

For the Spinach Filling:

Fresh Baby Spinach. I like using fresh baby spinach the most because it is tender, has almost no stems, and a very mild flavor. If you have frozen spinach, you can use it instead.

Cheese. We'll use a combination of three kinds of cheese: shredded mozzarella, crumbled feta, and cream cheese. You won't believe how tasty this combination is! If you don't like feta, parmesan can be used instead.

Directions:



Prepare the filling. Place the cream cheese, mozzarella, feta, and chopped baby spinach into a large mixing bowl. Massage the spinach and the cheeses with your hands until they are well combined (it should look like a thick paste). Set aside.

Season the fish. Place the flounder fillets onto a large board. Sprinkle the desired amount of Old Bay Seasoning onto each fillet.

Stuff the fish. Divide the stuffing into 6 equal portions. Working one at a time, shape the portion of the stuffing into an egg shape and place it close to the tail of the fish. Then, starting from the tail, roll each fillet up jelly-roll style and place it seam side down on the baking dish.

Season again. Sprinkle some more

Old Bay seasoning on top, and using a pastry brush, spread some olive oil over the fillets.

Bake at 350°F for about 20 minutes, until the fish is cooked through.

Grilled Salt-and-Pepper Black Bass with Curry Verde

1 cup grapeseed or other neutral oil, divided, plus more for grill
1 Tbsp. vadouvan or other curry powder

1 green chile (such as serrano or jalapeño), finely chopped

11" piece ginger, peeled, finely grated

1 garlic clove, finely grated

1½ cups finely chopped cilantro, plus 1 cup leaves with tender stems

3 Tbsp. fresh lime juice, divided
Kosher salt

Two 1½-2-lb. head-on black sea bass or other whole fish, cleaned
8 scallions, 4 whole, 4 very thinly sliced on a diagonal

Freshly ground black pepper

Lemon wedges (for serving)

Flaky sea salt

Directions:

Prepare a grill for medium heat. Heat ½ cup oil in a small skillet over medium. Once oil is

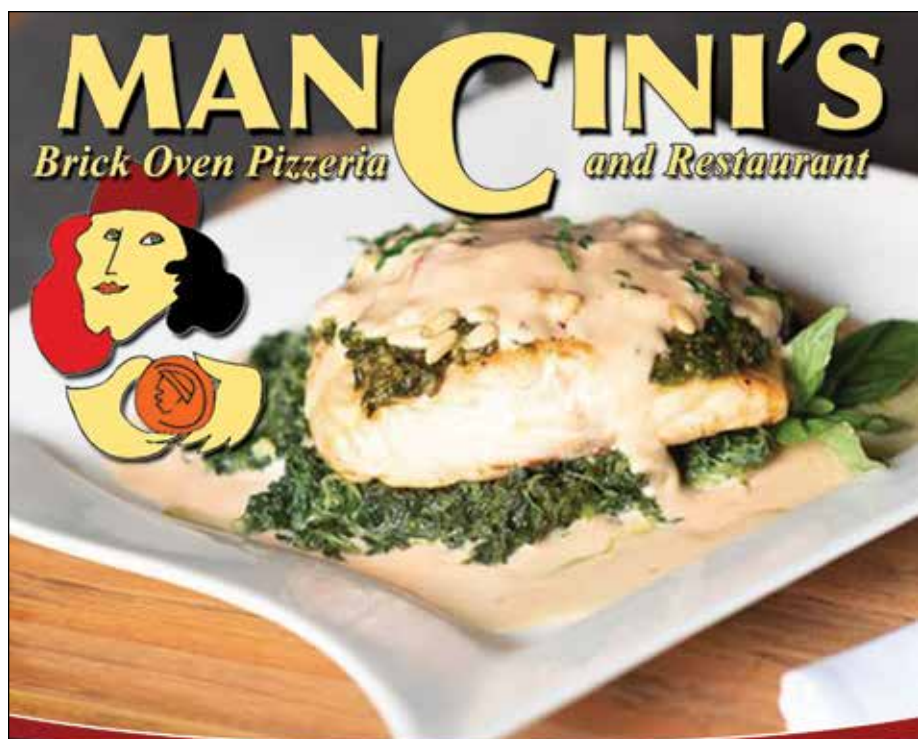
simmering, stir in vadouvan and remove skillet from heat (it should foam a little). Let cool in pan.

Combine curry oil, chile, ginger, garlic, chopped cilantro, and 2 Tbsp. lime juice in a small bowl. Season curry verde with kosher salt and set aside.

Place fish on a cutting board and pat dry thoroughly with paper towels (inside and out). Using a sharp knife, make slashes



crosswise on a diagonal along the body every 2" on both sides, cutting all the way down to the bones (this will help the fish cook evenly). Place fish and 4 whole scallions on a rimmed baking sheet; season fish generously inside and out with kosher salt and pepper. Drizzle fish and



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scallions with remaining 1/2 cup oil (this may seem like a lot, but it's the best way to prevent the fish from sticking to the grate).

Clean and oil grate, then immediately place fish and whole scallions on grill. Grill, turning scallions occasionally, until lightly charred all over, about 4 minutes. Transfer to a cutting board. Continue to grill fish, undisturbed, 8-10 minutes. Lift up slightly from one edge to see if skin is puffed and lightly charred and easily releases from grate. If fish is not ready, let it grill another minute or so, then try again. Once it releases easily, gently slide 2 large metal spatulas underneath and turn onto second side. Grill until the other side is lightly charred and skin is puffed, 8-10 minutes, depending on size of fish.

Finely chop grilled scallions and add to reserved curry verde.

Toss sliced scallions, cilantro leaves, and remaining 1 Tbsp. lime juice with a pinch of kosher salt in a medium bowl.

Spoon curry verde on a platter and set fish on top. Scatter scallion mixture over and sprinkle with sea salt.

Strawberry Shortcake

It's strawberry picking season on the peninsula! I went to Magee Farms in Selbyville, DE to pick some beautiful red juicy strawberries this week and they screamed for shortcake.

Ingredients:

2 pints ripe, well-rinsed strawberries

1/2 cup sugar, or more to taste



- 4 cups flour
- 3 tablespoons sugar
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 5 teaspoons baking powder
- 1 1/4 cups butter
- 3 cups whipping cream
- 1/4 teaspoon vanilla extract

Directions:

Pick over and hull strawberries. Cut in half or slice, depending on size. Gently crush about a quarter of the berries with a fork to release their juices. Mix with remaining berries and the 1/2 cup of sugar, adding more sugar if necessary. Set aside, covered, for about half an hour to develop flavor.

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Preheat oven to 450 degrees.

Into a large mixing bowl, sift together flour, 3 tablespoons sugar, salt and baking powder. Add 3/4 cup of softened butter, and rub into dry ingredients as for pastry. Add 1 1/4 cups cream, and mix to a soft dough. Knead the dough for one minute on a lightly floured pastry board, then roll it out to about 1/2-inch thickness. Using a 3-inch biscuit cutter, cut an even number of rounds - 2 rounds per serving.

Use a little of the butter to grease a baking sheet. Place half the rounds on it. Melt remaining butter and brush a little on the rounds; place remaining rounds on top. Bake for 10 to 15 minutes, or until golden brown.

Remove from the oven, and pull shortcakes apart. Brush the insides with some of the remaining melted butter.

Beat remaining cream until it thickens. Add vanilla. Beat again just until thick.

Place a bottom half of a shortcake on each plate. Top with a generous spoonful of berries. Cover with a top half, add a few more berries, and top with whipped cream. Serve immediately. §

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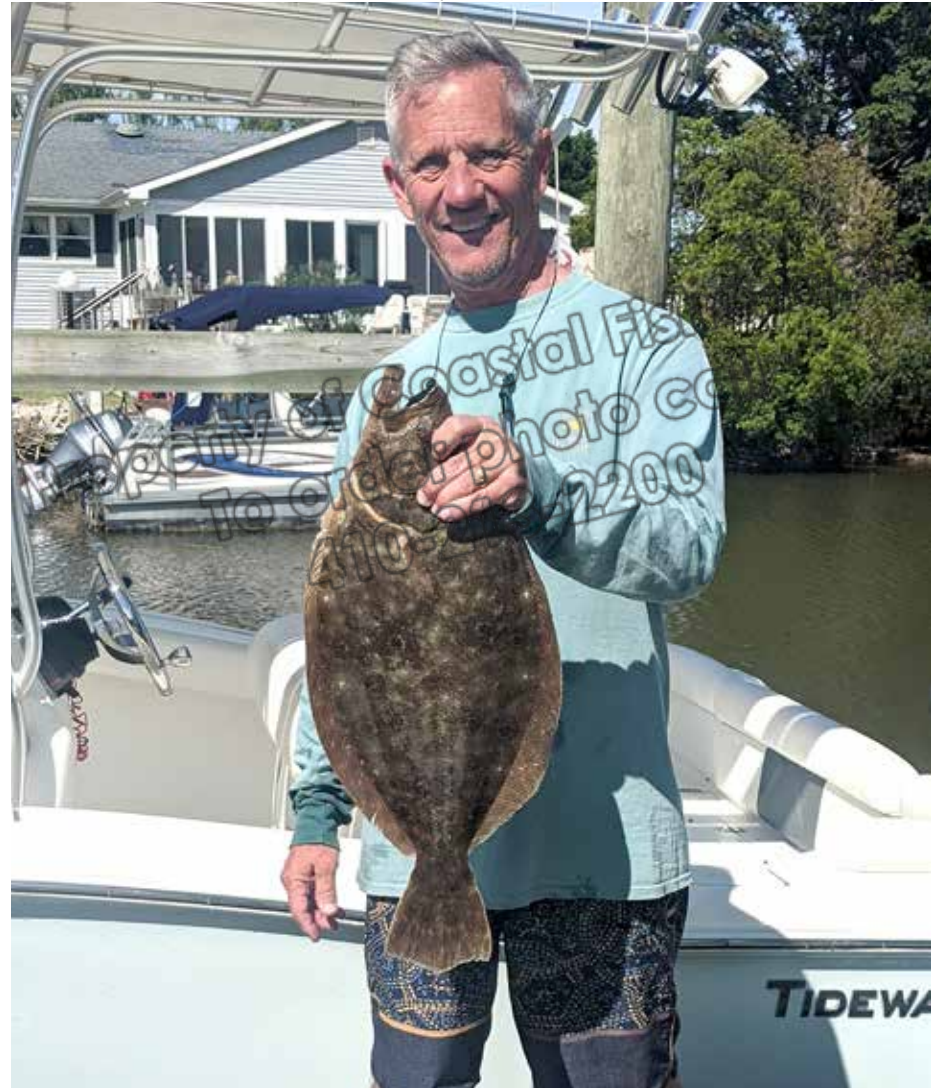
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Angler Brent Bortner from York, PA was one of the many at the Del-Jersey Reef on opening day for sea bass. He and the rest of the crew with Capt. Billy Burkhardt on the "Green Machine" caught over 50 fish that day on cut clam.



Apparently it is a good thing to let Mark Cooper of Bishopville, MD be unsupervised. He went solo on his boat "Unsupervised" to the Bass Grounds early last week to drift for sea bass, instead he caught this 22" flounder in 70' of water!

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DELAWARE FISHING REPORT

by Capt. BJ Pietryak



This week brought us warm weather. Temperatures in the high 70's thru low 90's brought a renewed warmth to bay waters. This week being cruisers week showed a ton of people in town and on the water.

Flounder

The big news in flounder this week was the Joe Morris Memorial Canal tournament out of the Lewes Marina. This tournament is a local favorite for a great cause. It supports pancreatic cancer and ran on Friday May 21st. Top prize went to Ricky Blitz with a 4.44 lb. flounder caught on minnows. Second place went to Heather Strickland at 4.08 lbs., third place was Shawn Carpenter at 3.83 lbs. Fourth place went to Kara Smith weighing at 3.67 lbs. and rounding out the top five in fifth place was Austin Presley at 3.50 lbs. I spoke with many anglers who said that the canal was on fire with most anglers at least going home with a nice fish for dinner. The majority of anglers

reported that the fish were caught with live minnows from the Lewes Harbour Marina store. Further down the coast the Indian River area is reporting a few flounder being caught in the main thoroughfare as well as by the cut near the VFW. However, flounder fishing is still a bit sluggish. Minnow and squid combos for bait are getting the best attention. I did hear of a few keeper flounders caught in the Fenwick ditch near Harpoon Hannas.

Sea Bass

Sea bass remains strong this week with the NJ/DE reef again being the top spot for this fine table fare. Top bait was fresh clam outshining all other baits. Many anglers reported using salted clams or squid and watching neighboring boats pull in double the fish while they used fresh clam. Many of the tackle shops have fresh clams in stock, however, with the warming of bay waters, raking for clams in the bay is a good and cheaper alternative. The area around Holts Landing

is the spot for clams right now. Sea bass on the near shore wrecks at Site 10 and 11 were strong but you had to weed through a lot of throwbacks. A few tog are still being caught but as the water warms up the fish will head offshore to deeper colder water. Tog along the wall of the Indian River has really slowed up and is coming to an end for the summer. Although some will be caught throughout the summer these fish prefer colder water and are tougher to find in the summer. Green crab and clam are the top baits for tog this time of year.

Rockfish, Bluefish, Sharks

A few rockfish are still being caught in the inlet at night along with a few schoolie blues but the action has slowed down. If you are catching one or two stripers at night you're doing better than most. The surf is even slower. A few over slot fish are being caught on peeler crab or sand fleas at night but the big numbers that Assateague Island had for

the past weeks seem to have passed us by on their way north. More dogfish sharks have been caught in the surf showing a warm up of the ocean temps. I know Larry received reports of a thresher shark caught this week. Hopefully this means a warm up of our waters and the bigger fish aren't far behind. I'm sure the next couple of weeks will see our dusky sharks as well as more threshers coming closer to shore. The Fenwick Shoals are a great spot to set up for both cobia as well as inshore sharks. The area above Site 10 and just below the mouth of the bay is another good area for sharks close to the beach. Remember to check the regulations before you head out as many sharks like the dusky are protected and can not be harvested

Surf Fishing

Surf fishing remains quiet with the most productive areas being north in Lewes by the point. A few night time rockfish are being caught but the numbers have really fallen off. A few snapper blues are being caught on mullet rigs and cut bait but again the numbers are not as good as in previous years. A few kingfish are showing up

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in the surf which is a good sign, meaning the water temps are rising. Tip of the week... When fishing the surf, set one lure out far with a long cast and one just beyond the breakers. Many times the close to shore bait gets the strikes. Many surf anglers are reporting when they catch one of the rockfish it's right in or just beyond the breakers.

Clams & Crabs

Crab numbers have really dropped off as the pots this week are filled with sponge crabs. Although this means less keepers, it is showing a positive growth in the population. Clamming has started to turn on this week with Holts Landing being the hot spot. Rehoboth Bay should follow along by next week.

So enjoy the early summer warmth!

Tight lines and fins up!
 Captain B.J. Pietryak §



Capt. Ed Wagner on the "Miss Ene III" took anglers Mike Zabinko from Wilmington, DE, Len Zabink from Ann Arbor, MI and Jeff Micsky of Fenwick Island, DE for some fishing out of the Indian River Marina. They are about to clean their catch of sea bass and a flounder at Hook'em & Cook'em at the marina.

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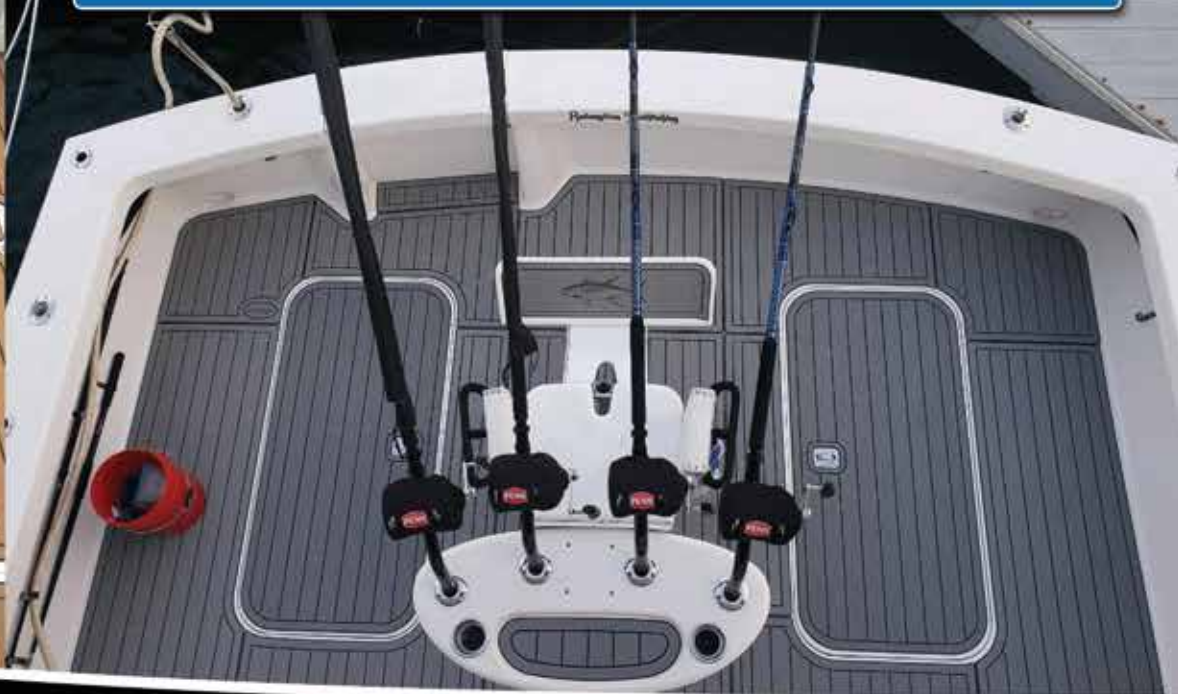
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Roger Rabain of Wilmington, De caught this 16.9 lb and 35 inch striper using a Z-Man Plastics on a jig head. He was fishing along the Indian River Inlet in the early hours of the morning. Pictured at Hook'em and Cook'em at the Indian River Marina.

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Underwater Lights

A walk down the docks at nightfall will reveal many boats with colorful lights illuminating the water around the boat. Underwater lighting is certainly not new but has advanced in recent years. Let's look at some of the modern advances in underwater lighting.

Underwater lights are special lighting fixtures that are attached to or installed into the hull of a boat below the water line. Most underwater lights are installed on the transom or hull sides, only a few models and brands of lights are designed to be installed on running surfaces.

While lights that attach to the hull are the most popular, there are a few underwater lights available that can attach to other underwater items, like trim tabs or even replacing the transom drain plug. Most underwater lights require drilling a hole into the boat, below the waterline to route the wire

from the light to the power source. There are a few surface mount underwater lights where the wire is surface mounted to the transom and runs through openings above the water line.

The most popular underwater light is a surface mount fixture that requires a small hole, usually less than 1/2" for the wire to enter the hull. This style light is mounted on the surface of the hull and usually protrudes about 3/4" or more from the hull surface. The light fixtures are attached to the hull with screws and sealed with marine underwater sealant.

The top-of-the-line type of underwater light fixtures is the thru-hull style, where a fixture is installed through the hull, often in a hole of 2' or larger in diameter, that is accessible from inside the boat. These lights are two parts, the light source and the thru-hull fixture. The major advantage of this type of underwater light is that the light can be serviced, repaired, replaced or upgraded without hauling the boat out of the water. This type of light fixture is virtually flush with the hull surface providing a cleaner look and less likely to interfere with fishing activities etc.

Underwater lights are available in many colors and intensities. While most current product offerings use a LED light source, many of the

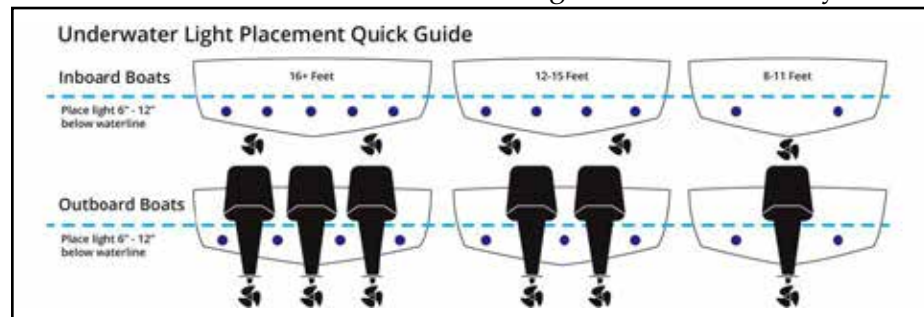
original underwater lights used an incandescent light source such as halogen, tungsten or HID type light sources. Even with today's LED offerings there is a wide variety of brightness and colors—generally proportional with cost.

The most basic underwater lights are offered in a single color, often white or blue. Higher end options include multiple colors or even an unlimited color pallet. Controlling these light color options can be as simple as the flip of a switch or as complex as using your boat's MDF/ Chartplotters to graphically control the lighting. For even more options, underwater lighting (and deck lighting) can be synchronized

of underwater light, Lumitec, has a built-in protection circuit that will automatically dim the light if the power supply is inadequate, often resulting in curious "blinking" lights.

Underwater lights are available in a wide price range, beginning around \$100/light and going up to \$2000/light with a few as much as \$5000/light. Surface mount lights are the least expensive and the thru-hull lights are often 2-3 times as much as the surface mount lights, along with a more complex installation procedure.

Installing underwater lights is often best left to a professional though skilled do it yourself



with a source of music on the boat - yes, think disco!

Electrical requirements vary depending on the brand and model of light. Most modern underwater lights are operated with a 12v or 24v DC power source. While many boaters think a LED, it does not need much power and unintentionally undersized the power wiring, causing problems with the light's operation. Manufacturers, in an effort to offer brighter and brighter lights, pack more and brighter LED's into the fixture, requiring more power than intuitively expected. One brand

boat owners can install lights by following the manufacturer's instructions. Here are a few tips:

Access- Installation requires knowledge of the outside and inside of the boat's hull, you need to be sure the outside area where you plan to install the light does not interfere with the operation of the boat or accessories. At the same time, the inside of the boat needs to be accessible behind the light to gain access to wiring or the fixture depending on the style. The mounting surface must be flat so that the light fixture can be attached properly and create a waterproof seal to the hull.

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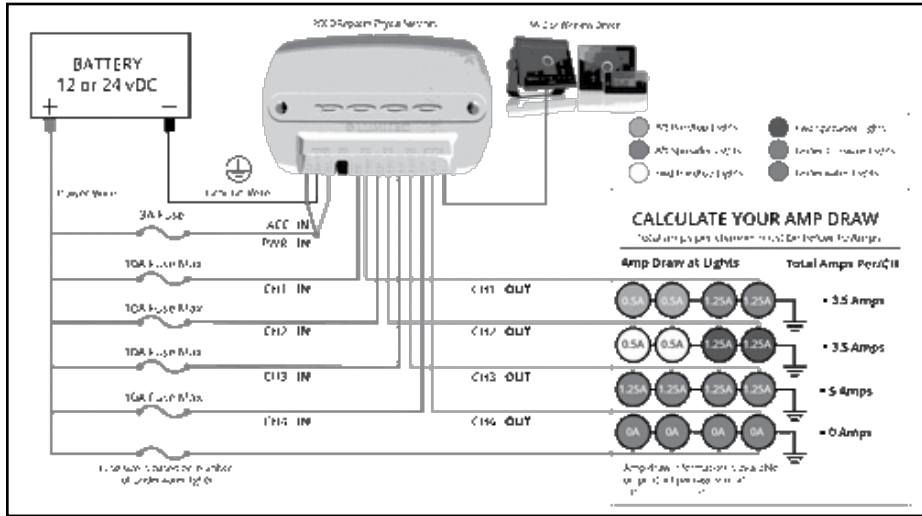
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Location

Most underwater light manufacturers recommend that the lights be installed 6"-12" below the water line. This is important since most light fixtures are cooled by the water, if mounted too high or even above the water light may cause the light fixture to overheat and may be permanently damaged. Most Lumitec brand lights have a thermal sensor, reducing the light output to prevent overheating.

Sealing-Once the location is determined, as part of your preparation, be sure to remove the bottom paint under the light

mounting surface so that the underwater sealant can properly attach and seal the light fixture to the hull. Most manufacturers provide details on the type of marine sealant to use and where to apply it to ensure a watertight installation.

Wiring

Be sure to check the manufacturer's requirements for power requirements and wire size. Do not judge the wire size by what the manufacturer uses at the fixture, usually this is a short run that is expected to be attached to a heavier wire to make the long run to a switch or power source. Many LED's

are susceptible to problems with low voltage which are a result of long runs of undersized wire. While connecting the lights to each other at the transom seems like a good idea, it's often better to run each power wire to the light switch or source of power - this eliminates a junction in the bilge area and often ensures proper power to each light.

Caution

The USCG often reminds us that "Boaters should be concerned about installing "decorative" lighting on their boats in various places, including underwater, on the rubrail, or just above the waterline. Care must be taken that these lights: cannot be mistaken for navigation lights, do not impair the visibility or distinctive character of approved and properly placed navigation lights, and do not interfere with the operator's ability to maintain a proper lookout. Such circumstances may represent a violation of Rule 20"

Specific to underwater lights, the USCG cautions that "blue underwater LED lights can appear to be flashing if there

is any wave action, giving the appearance of a flashing blue light only authorized to be used by law enforcement vessels per 33 CFR 88.05" Some states even outlaw the use of any type of blue light when the vessel is underway. Most of these regulations do not apply while the vessel is tied up at the dock.

Attracting Fish

Most boaters with underwater lights can attest that the lights attract fish at the dock and while night fishing. Underwater lights may not attract the species you are targeting but may attract smaller fish in the food chain of the target species. Scientific research shows that most fish have eyes that are sensitive blue and green- so if your goal is to attract fish, be sure that your lights can produce either or both colors.

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 Black Drum	March 31 Allen Skylar Assateague Island	April 19, 2020 Bill Grubb Fenwick Island State Park	 Thresher Shark	 May 22, 2021 Patrick Snell "MAKO me CRAZY" Twin Wrecks	June 13, 2020 Charlie Boyles "Hook It Up" Old Grounds
 Cobia		June 21, 2020 Aaron Reeves "On the Run" South Jetty	 Bigeye Tuna		May 27, 2020 Ryan Turner "Full Service" Norfolk Canyon
 Flounder	April 18 Danny Cox Rt. 90 Bridge	May 5, 2020 Mackenzie Cathell Thorofare	 Bluefin Tuna	May 7 James Hammond "Hot Lick" Norfolk Canyon	June 9, 2020 Shannon Gore Baltimore Canyon
 Sea Bass	April 12 Camryn Baeder Inshore Wreck	May 15, 2020 Brent Bortner "Green Machine" Offshore Wreck	 Longfin Tuna		June 9, 2020 Evan Winterbottom "PYY Fishing" Poor Man's Canyon
 Sheepshead		June 12, 2020 Keith Smith "On the Run" South Jetty	 Yellowfin Tuna		April 29, 2020 Dylan Wiley Washington Canyon
 Striped Bass	May 6 Buddy Martin East Channel	May 7, 2020 Patricia Cropper Rt. 50 Bridge	 Dolphin		May 23, 2020 Jeremy Phares "Reel Fin Addiction" Norfolk Canyon
 Tautog	January 1 Mike Sadowski "Tide Runner" Ocean Structure	January 2, 2020 Patrick Enoch "Morningstar" Artificial Reef	 Wahoo		June 18, 2020 Jack Hannum "Blood Money" Poor Man's Canyon
 Weakfish	May 6 Rich Harpel North Jetty Indian River Inlet	June 17, 2020 Muhamad Arshad Oceanic Fishing Pier	 White Marlin		May 23, 2020 Carl Sauer "Reel Escape" Washington Canyon

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Connor Lillquist clearly got the job done while sea bass fishing with his Dad Adrian! He and the crew of 4 fishing that day bagged their limit of 15 each and were back to the dock in time for lunch! Conner is shown here with a 3 lb. sea bass from the batch. Pictured at Hook'em & Cook'em.



It must be summer because Rich 'Delicious' Daiker has his shirt off!! He and Kenny Schoen were at it again targeting the South Ocean City jetty. They landed these keeper stripers, up to 33" on minnow lures during the incoming tide.

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- The yellowfin tuna is among the larger tuna species, reaching weights over 400 pounds, but is significantly smaller than the Atlantic and Pacific bluefin tunas, which can reach over 990 pounds, and slightly smaller than the bigeye tuna and the southern bluefin tuna.
- The second dorsal fin and the anal fin, as well as the finlets between those fins and the tail, are bright yellow, giving this fish its common name. The second dorsal and anal fins can be very long in mature specimens, reaching almost as far back as the tail and giving the appearance of sickles or scimitars. The pectoral fins are also longer than the related bluefin tuna, but not as long as those of the albacore. The main body is a very dark metallic blue, changing to silver on the belly, which has about 20 vertical lines.
- Yellowfin tuna are epipelagic fish that inhabit the mixed surface layer of the ocean above the thermocline. Sonic tracking has found that although yellowfin tuna, unlike the related bigeye tuna, mostly range in the top 330 ft. of the water column and penetrate the thermocline relatively infrequently, they are capable of diving to considerable depths. An individual tagged in the Indian Ocean with an archival tag spent 85% of its time in depths shallower than 246 ft., but was recorded as having made dives to 3,810 ft.
- Yellowfin tuna often travel in schools with similarly sized companions. They sometimes school with other tuna species and mixed schools of small yellowfin, and skipjack tuna, in particular, are commonplace. They are often associated with various species of dolphins or porpoises, as well as with larger marine creatures such as whales and whale sharks. They also associate with drifting flotsam such as logs and pallets, and sonic tagging indicates some follow moving vessels. Hawaiian yellowfins associate with anchored fish aggregation devices and with certain sections of the 50-fathom curve.
- Yellowfin tuna prey include other fish, pelagic crustaceans, and squid. Like all tunas, their body shape is particularly adapted for speed, enabling them to pursue and capture fast-moving baitfish such as flying fish, sauries, and mackerel. Schooling species such as myctophids or lanternfish and similar pelagic drifffish, anchovies, and sardines are frequently taken. Large yellowfins prey on smaller members of the tuna family such as frigate mackerel and skipjack tuna. In turn, yellowfin are preyed upon when young by other pelagic hunters, including larger tuna, seabirds, and predatory fishes such as wahoo, shark, and billfish. Adults are threatened only by the largest and fastest hunters, such as toothed whales, particularly the false killer whale, pelagic sharks such as the mako and great white, large Atlantic blue marlin and Pacific blue marlin, and black marlin. The main source of mortality, however, is industrial tuna fisheries. Yellowfins are able to escape most predators, because unlike most fish, tuna are warm-blooded, and their warm muscles make them extremely strong swimmers, with yellowfin tuna reaching "speeds of up to 50 miles per hour". They can navigate enormous distances, sometimes crossing entire oceans.

Source:
Wikipedia.com



Greg Hellman and his mom, "Ms. Marlene" took a ride on the "Morning Star" with Capt. Monty Hawkins early last week for some sea bass fishing. It took some work, but they hit their limit and Greg even won the pool money for the day as well.



Michael Cooper from Martinsburg, WV took a solo trip with Capt. Mark Sampson on the "Fish Finder" and he caught and released 4 makos!. Three we're fitted with satellite SPOT tag transmitters that will enable researchers (and the public) to track their movements over the next 1-2 years.



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Angie, James and Courtney Kirby with Colton Glunt, all from Chambersburg, PA caught 4 keeper flounder using minnows with pink and white Otter Tails. They were in the south Ocean City Bay with the incoming tide on the "Lucky Break" with Capt. Jason Mumford. Biggest fish was 20".

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SAT. MAY 29	High 11:00 am High 11:42 pm	Low 05:00 am Low 04:46 pm
SUN. MAY 30	High 11:57 am High -----	Low 05:58 am Low 05:46 pm
MON. MAY 31	High 12:40 am High 12:58 pm	Low 06:58 am Low 06:50 pm
TUE. JUNE 1	High 01:41 am High 02:06 pm	Low 07:56 am Low 07:55 pm
WED. JUNE 2 • • 3rd Qtr. Moon • •	High 02:44 am High 03:17 pm	Low 08:50 am Low 08:59 pm

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Add 1.5 hours for bay tides at the Rt. 50 Bridge.
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 - subtract 45 minutes to low tide
 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.



Sharon Fischer of Perry Hall, MD was in on the ongoing flounder action over the past couple weeks. She caught this 21" fattie weighing 3.6 lbs. using an artificial lure near the Rt. 90 Bridge.

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I've been writing this weekly column for the Coastal Fisherman since 2012, and I know that in those nine years there have been more than just a couple articles that have been a bit on the "lack-luster" side of the riveting scale. Take last week for instance; the entire column was about "pool noodles!" Informative - maybe. But pool noodles? Really? Then again, there were a few times when I was actually kinda proud of the words I had mashed together in such an order that I thought they came out timely, informative, thought provoking, and evoked just enough controversy to ruffle a few feathers without prompting enraged torch wielding crowds to encircle my home at night! One such article appeared in this paper six years ago. It's such a favorite of mine that I thought I'd "play it again" for those who missed it the first time...

Chum Lines - August 2015

There's a rubber rat that's been sitting on the dash of my boat for more than 25 years. In all that time we've had a lot of fun with "Lucky" the rat,

particularly when the action was slow and we'd tell kids to squeak the rat for good luck and then sometimes someone would catch a fish. "See that"! We'd say, "Never underestimate the power of the rat"! After a while I found myself religiously squeaking the rat a couple times before locking up the boat for the night - just a little assurance for good fishing tomorrow. Besides the rat, there was also a coffee mug I had determined to be good luck because one morning I drank from it and that day we had an exceptional catch, then the next day I used the same mug and we had similar results. "It must be the mug" I thought, so I began drinking from it every morning before I went fishing.

For at least a couple years I continued my daily rituals of drinking from the same mug and squeaking the rat, and of course, in that time we had our share of good days as well as bad days of fishing. I expect that any rational person (which would include anyone on the planet who doesn't wear my shoes) would conclude that the rat

and the mug have absolutely nothing to do with whether or not we would catch fish on any given day and the mere suggestion that there might be any correlation between the two is beyond absurd. But it was so easy to reach up on the dash and squeak the rat each evening and to choose my lucky mug off the shelf instead of any other in the morning that I was going on the "what can it hurt?" principal as I preformed my superstitious rituals each day. If there was anything at all to the power of the rat and mug I didn't want to miss out on having a good day on the water over it.

To those of you reading this right now, "yes", I do know how ridiculous that all sounds. While I know that over the years I've many times written a lot of stuff that not everyone has agreed with, I'm pretty certain that I'd be hard pressed to find anyone who would disagree that a rubber rat and coffee mug cannot alter the outcome of a fishing trip. If I had burned the rubber rat over a hot fire and smashed the mug into a million pieces our successes and failures on the boat would not have changed one bit. You don't have to be an Einstein to figure that one out. And with that thought, my fellow boaters and fishermen, let me now

take a long overdue and much needed dive headfirst into the topic of

"BANANAS ON BOATS"!

While there are a few different stories about how bananas became symbols of bad luck on boats, the one that seems to be most prevalent is about how, back in much earlier days of shipping, when vessels took-on bananas as cargo they would sometimes find that they had also been loaded with stowaways in the form of tarantulas and other unwanted critters that lived among the fruit. Obviously such an infestation could create more than just a little havoc on a boat, so even though the bananas themselves were harmless, crews anticipated bad things to come when they saw the yellow cargo coming aboard.

How that story morphed into the current and widely held "stupid-stition" about bananas on fishing boats I don't know, but at least in the fishing community, it has by far surpassed people's concerns for walking under ladders, breaking mirrors, or having black cats cross their paths. Some fishermen take the superstition so much to heart that they have "No Bananas" signs posted on their boats, their brochures, their websites,

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and I wouldn't be surprised if someone somewhere doesn't have it tattooed to their forehead! I've met people who have paid thousands of dollars to go fishing on a charter boat only to have the captain and mate literally cuss them out because part-way through the day they pull a banana out of their lunch cooler! Obviously that's a captain who is not concerned about having return customers.

OK folks, there's nothing at all wrong with having a fun with a superstition; wear the lucky fishing hat, always make your first cast off the port side of the boat, eat PB&J's for lunch, squeak the rat, whatever. And if you want to tease someone about bringing bananas, then have some laughs with it. But if you're one of those fishermen who takes the superstition about bananas so seriously that you would actually become angry with, or insult someone for bringing them aboard a boat, then I say to you without

reservation that buddy you've got a problem! IT'S A FRUIT - IT HAS NO MORE MYSTICAL POWER THAN A COFFEE MUG OR A RUBBER RAT - GET REAL!

OK, I know, right now some of you are remembering a time or two when you were out fishing with friends and where having a horrible day until someone found a banana on the boat, you threw it overboard and suddenly (miraculously!) everyone started catching fish after fish! And you'll go to your grave claiming that certainly PROVES that there is "something" about bananas on boats that brings about bad luck. I don't know, maybe bananas emit a smell that's offensive to fish, maybe when the sunlight reflects off the yellow skin it scares fish away, or maybe the superstition was started by someone who wanted to make fishermen look like fools - I'm betting on the latter.

As I stand here on my soapbox,

bashing folks who truly believe in the power of the banana, I'm going to shift gears a little and appeal to those of you who believe in the existence and the power of God. Yes, I said "God". You know the "supreme being", the "creator of Heaven and Earth" the one who made you, me, AND even the bananas! I wonder how many fishermen take the time or even think about pausing for a few moments as they prepare for their time on the water and ask God to bless them with a good day of fishing. After all, if you believe in God then you know that it's He who dictates how a day is going to go from start to finish, so shouldn't it be Him who we turn to for "luck" each day rather than a silly rubber rat or dirty old fishing hat? And if we hold that a banana (of all things) has the power to shape the outcome of our day, then aren't we in turn suggesting that God's role in our lives can be overshadowed by a fruit?

Wow! I know I'm getting into some pretty heavy stuff here and not what most folks expect to read in a fishing paper, but I'm not ashamed to say that after spending most of my life making a living by trying to get a fish to bite a hook, I have come to know that my successes (and failures) can not be attributed solely to my own actions and abilities, there's more to it than that. There are times out on the water when a chain of events will just "happen" with an outcome that cannot be explained in mortal terms, and I for one will not give credit for such events to a ceramic mug or a snack someone has in their food cooler!

The bible teaches us to put aside false idols and pray to God for what we want in life. So I say this: Ask God to grant you a safe day on the water and a good catch of fish, and don't be afraid to demonstrate your faith in Him and His supreme power by bringing bananas for lunch! §

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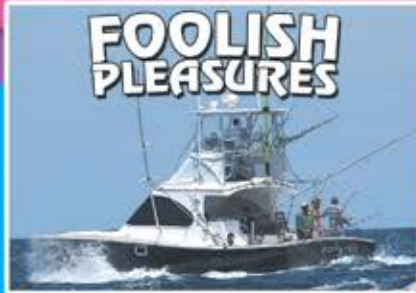
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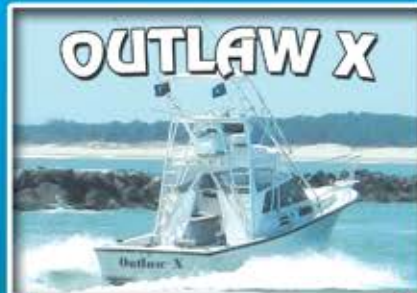
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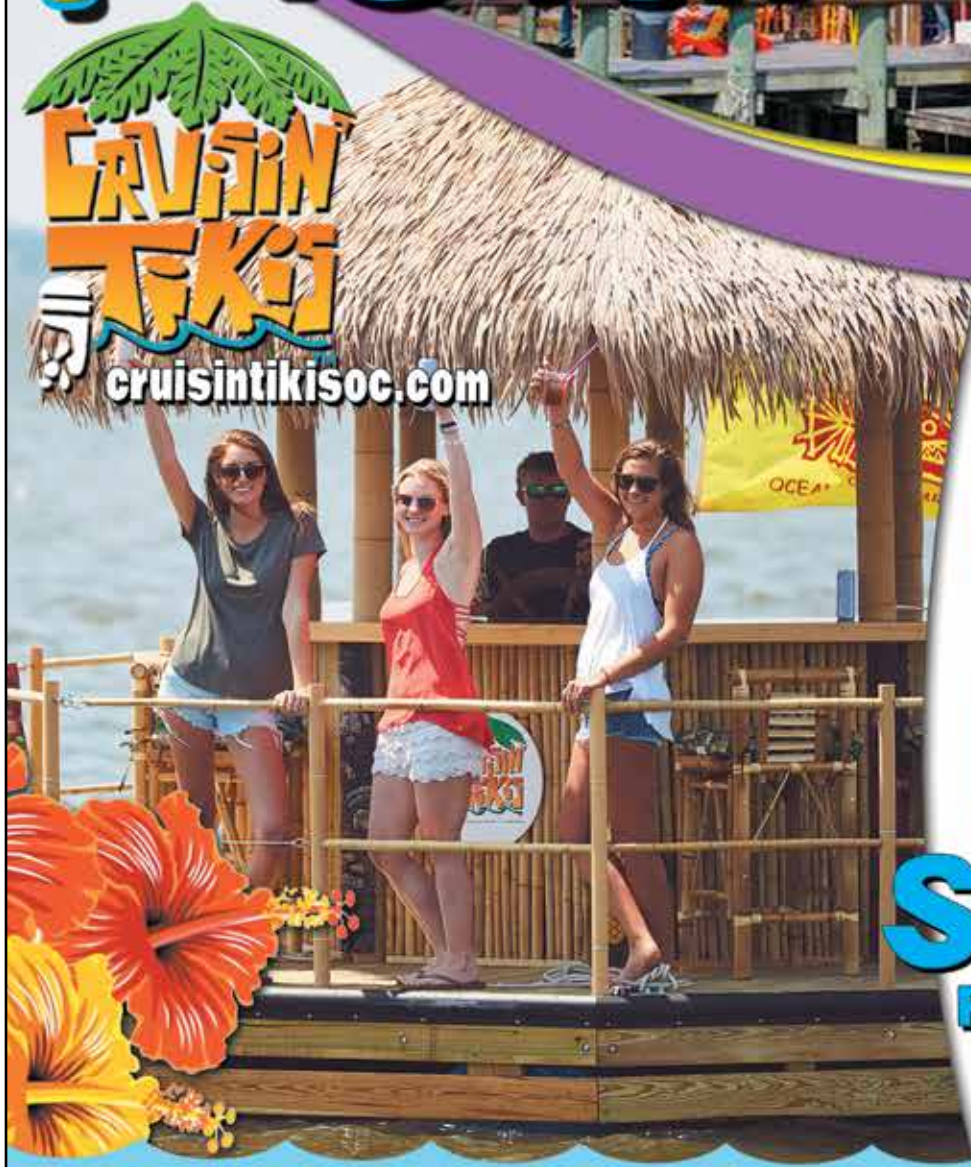
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Heather Strickland proudly holds out this 4.08 lb. flounder she caught mid morning during the Joe Morris Memorial Flounder Tournament held at Lewes Harbor Marina on May 21st. She was in first place for about an hour before moving to 2nd place where she finished for the day!



Rich Attkinson must have used his camo to sneak on this 3.98 lb. doormat he caught during the Joe Morris Memorial Flounder Tournament held at Lewes Harbor Marina on May 21st. This one held off all challengers the finish 3rd place for the tournament.

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It was a beautiful day for the Joe Morris Memorial Flounder Tournament held at Lewes Harbor Marina on May 21st. There were a lot of changes to the leaderboard throughout the day, but at the end it was Ricky Blitz who held on to the lead with this 4.44 lb. winner he brought in at noon from the Lewes/Rehoboth Canal.

JOE MORRIS MEMORIAL CANAL FLOUNDER TOURNAMENT



The leaderboard at the Joe Morris Memorial Flounder Tournament held at Lewes Harbor Marina on May 21st saw a couple of changes mid day as some fatties were brought to the scale. Shawn Carpenter with his 3.83 lb. held onto 3rd place for about an hour, but was able to hang onto 4th place at the end of the day!

Kara Smith snuck in this 3.67 lb. flattie late day to take 5th place in the Joe Morris Memorial Flounder Tournament held at Lewes Harbor Marina on May 21st. Hitting the scales at 3:11PM she just edged out Austin Presley's fish that was on the board all day!



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