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Event	13th Annual OCMC Ladies Tournament
Species	White marlin release
Weight	9.46, 10.04, 11.75, 15.50
Angler	Crew
Boat	Knot Again
Date	07/31/21

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Friday's weather kept most of the 64 boats in the 13th Annual OCMC Ladies Tournament "Heels & Reels" in the slip, so it was Saturday, Day 2, that saw a lot of action at the scales. While lots of tuna and mahi made their way to the dock, only single and a few double releases were being reported in the Billfish Division. That all changed a little bit before 6PM when Delaware anglers Cathy Adams, Dana Hess, Lynnette Baker, Michele Pollinger, Katy Ferguson and Bernadette Mumford on the "Knot Again" handed in their catch report with 4 white marlin releases! Capt. Darryl Scuse stared south of the Poor Man's Canyon at the Rock Pile and worked eastward finding only 4 bites for the day, but Cathy, Dana, Lynnette and Michele got the work done getting all 4 to the boat. Despite a challenge from another boat with 4 releases, theirs were caught earlier and held onto 1st Place in the Billfish Release Division earning \$32,085 for the crew.



Ryan Lefever, Rick Lefever and Ryan Frank of Willow Street, PA caught some nice fatties at Site 10 while fishing on the "Soulshine" out of the Indian River Marina. Two flounders were over 20" with the largest at 24" and 5.5 lbs., all fell for minnows and pink Gulp Grubs.



While the Old Grounds sometimes runs cold on the flounder bite, when it goes hot the fish are big. Prince Lindsay from Lewes, DE was there on a 'hot' day and caught this 27" and 7.6 lb. doormat. Pictured at Rick's Bait and Tackle.

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The **OFFSHORE REPORT**
by Larry Budd

This Week Last Year

- The 12th Annual OCMC Ladies Tournament "Heels & Reels" saw 57 boats compete for \$79,240 in prize money. The "Billfisher" took 1st Place in the Billfish Release Division and the top tuna was from "Liquid RX" at 63.4 lbs. The Dolphin Division ended in a tie with both "Reel Joy" and the "Brenda Lou" dropping 36 lb. mahis on the dock.
- Yellowfin tuna fishing was strong, especially while chunking at the Hot Dog and Hambone. Double digit and limit catches were common.
- Tropical storm Isais flew through the region resulting in the White Marlin Open extending the fishing days to an unprecedented 7. Still, a record 433 boats participated for a record purse of \$6.8 million.

The highly anticipated White Marlin Open is finally upon us. As I write this on Monday almost all of the record 444 boats are out looking to set the bar early in this 5 day event! With a purse of over \$9,000,000 there is a lot at stake. The billfish were snapping over the weekend and some 100 lb. tunas showed up, however, weather is potentially a factor for Wednesday and Thursday. This should make for a lot of excitement at Harbor Island scales and the Marlinfest event at 3rd Street.

Last weekend saw the 13th Annual Ocean City Marlin Club Ladies Tournament "Heels & Reels" with scales held at Atlantic Tackle in Ocean City. A record 64 boats entered creating a record purse of over \$100,000. The two day event was held last Friday and Saturday. With the weather on Day 1 looking

questionable, only 8 boats tried their luck. The Baltimore Canyon was the place to be with 4 of the 8 boats reporting white and blue marlin releases and the "Bent Tent" releasing a spearfish! All were in deep water east of the Baltimore Canyon or a little north of it. The "Reel Chaos" with 4 white marlin releases ended the day in the top spot.

That put the remainder of the boats offshore on Day2! Three were waiting for the scales to open and we continued to have a steady stream of boats coming in, sometimes with a line of 6 boats




deep. 18 in all came through in the 2 hour window with mainly a mix of yellowfin tuna and a few mahi with some single white marlin or blue marlin releases. The action was concentrated from between the Wilmington and Baltimore Canyons to the Baltimore proper with longfins being caught further south towards the Poor Man's Canyon. Billfish were reported from all of these locations with several captains commenting on releasing some nice size fish. Some standouts from Day 2 were the "Knot Again" who also released 4 white marlin that slid them into 1st Place in the Release Division due to earlier catch times, and the "Playmate" and "Business" weighing two identical 17.6 lb. mahi just minutes apart to tie for top honors in the Dolphin Division. The big commotion however had to be in the Tuna Division. It was

www.coastalfisherman.net really anybody's game until late in the day when the "Southern C's" arrived sliding a bigeye onto the dock. It was their only fish, but at 107.6 lbs. it rocketed into the top spot. 30 minutes later the "Point Runner" arrived with 2 bigeye of their own. There was tension as the weighmaster hoisted the larger of the two, could it set a new number 1? The weight was called at 107.4 lbs., just a few ounces short! Their second bigeye also passed the 100 pound mark pushing all of the yellowfins out of the top three with "Point Runner" ending in both 2nd and 3rd Place for the tournament with "Southern C's" holding top honors.

Outside of the tournament, we saw most captain's last week working mostly the same areas from the mid to lower Wilmington through the Baltimore to the Poor Man's Canyons. Wednesday and Thursday last week saw a nice mix of multiple releases for white marlin and singles for blue marlins. The white marlin are reported to be hitting ballyhoo while the blues hit a mix of lures and skirted ballys. The tuna action was in the same area and were mainly yellowfin with a few nice sized longfins mixed in. A real highlight came from the "Nina's Revenge" when Capt. Rob Rondini brought a 257 lb. bigeye to the scales at the Ocean City Fishing Center last Wednesday. Not only did it take over 5 hours to boat this behemoth, the trip and fight itself was a story. They started fishing with most of the fleet deep in the Washington Canyon. They were marking fish but could not get any bites. After their shotgun line got run over by another boat, Capt. Rob had enough and headed out and away from the crowd. They connected with the tuna around 1PM in 1500 feet of water and over the fight the moved eastward into 3500 feet. Even though they had the leader in hand 13 times they could not get the fish to turn and at one point the line got fouled in the running gear and



The only multiple winner of the White Marlin Open, Tommy 'two times' Hinkle had been sidelined from offshore fishing due to neck surgery, but he is back at it! Fishing on the one and only "Fish Whistle", he and Stephen Schwing with Greg Hutton caught these yellowfin trolling with ballyhoo and spreader bars in the Baltimore Canyon.



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the mate had to jump overboard to clear it. Eventually getting it up one more time the captain put the boat in a centerline spin for 30 minutes to follow the fish before finally getting a gaff in it! It is our new Heaviest Bigeye for the season.

You will also see more wahoo in this week's paper which is nice as they were very elusive last year. Some real big ones have shown up including a 92 pounder Capt. Johnny Oughton found on the "That's Right" last Sunday. These big ones seem to favor the Hot Dog and 19 Fathom Lumps.

Lastly, the mahi remain peanut to gaffer size and most recent reports were from the Wilmington. The largest we have seen in recent weeks are in the teens up to 20 lbs.

Upcoming Tournaments

• The big show of the 48th Annual White Marlin Open is here! Scales will be at Harbor Island from 4-9:15PM as usual, however we recommend checking out the Marlinfest, a new free outdoor viewing experience at the 3rd Street Bayside Ballpark that will coincide with the annual fishing tournament. The event will feature a festival-like atmosphere as well as real-time, unobstructed views of the live stream of the tournament weigh-ins via large LED screens as well as views of the boats returning in the harbor.

• The 28th Annual Steve Harman Poor Girl's Open is back after a pandemic hiatus last year. This is a ladies only billfish release event benefiting breast cancer research. Held at the Bahia Marina on August 12th - 14th, the event is always fun filled with a vendor village, colorful outfits from the anglers and great food at Fish Tales.

• The 30th Annual Mid-Atlantic Tournament will be held from August 16th - 20th with weigh-ins from 5 - 9PM at both the Canyon Club Marina in Cape May and at Sunset Marina in Ocean City. This is another tournament with a multi-million dollar purse sure to bring big fish to the docks!

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Danny Cox of West Ocean City was fishing at the Rt. 90 Bridge when he caught these 2 flounders on Gulp and minnow. The largest measured 23"! Submitted by his biggest fan Nancy Cox.



Hotline Sportfishing made pretty work catching these 5 yellowfin tunas while fishing the west wall of the Baltimore Canyon. They were trolling in 78.5° water using wide trackers with a green machine and sea witches. Anglers were Brendan Dougherty, Brad Dougherty and Ryan Cook with Capt. Zach Brunner at the wheel.

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Delaware anglers Hunter Culver, Corey Evans and John Tkacz took the flounder to task late last week on the "Fishing Tradition". They worked the Old Grounds and had a 3 man limit of keepers plus some throw back flounder, all jigging Gulp.



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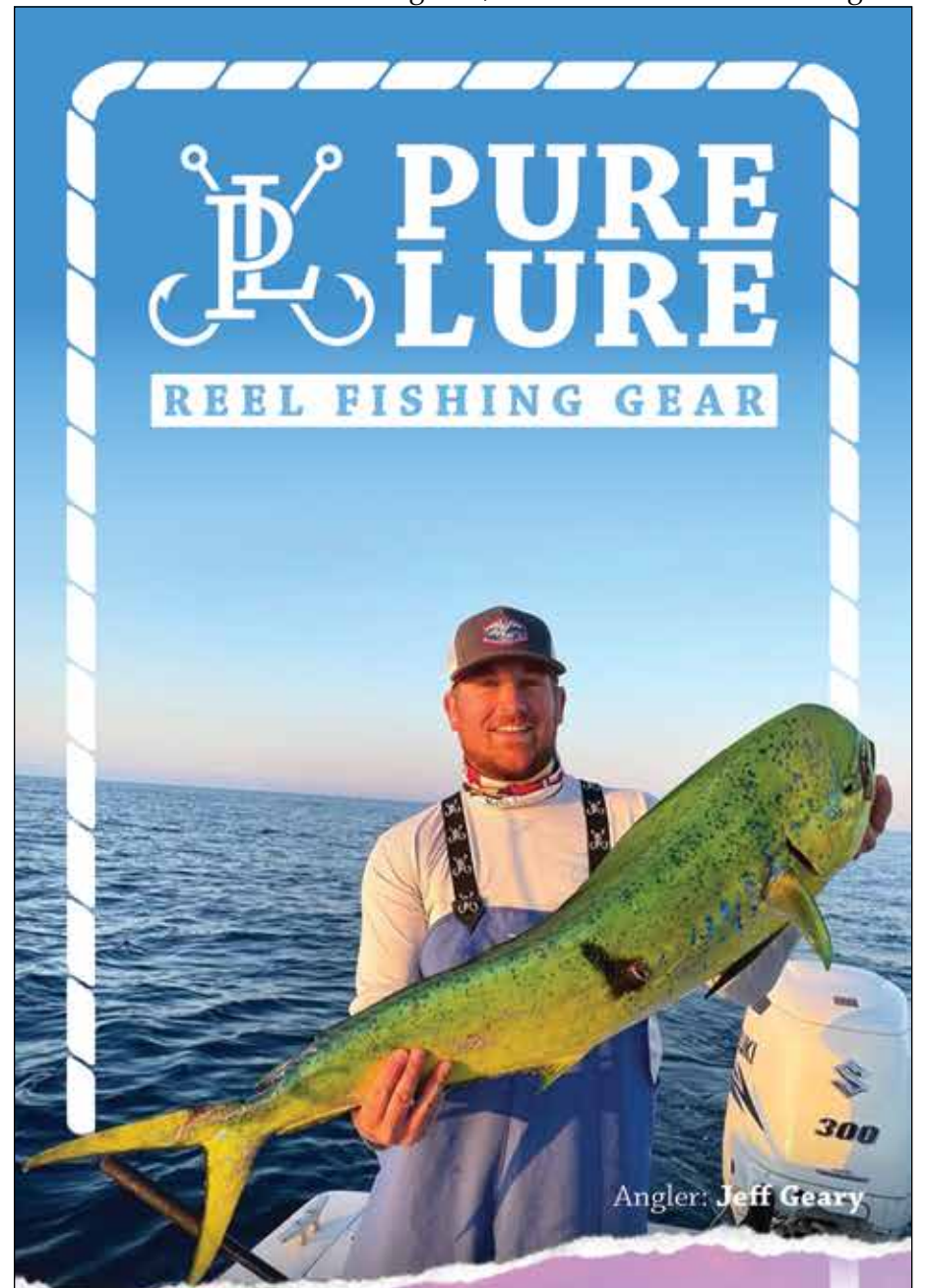
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OCEAN CITY FISHING REPORT

by Capt. BJ Pietryak



Warm days and low winds was the story for this week in Ocean City. Tons of boat traffic and heavy fishing pressure has slowed the catches in the back bays as well as the near shore wrecks and reefs. Good fish can still be found if you fish during the week and put in the effort. Flounder remains the mainstay for inshore and bay fishing but croaker is coming in at a close second.

Flounder, croaker and bay fish flounder in the back bays remain pretty strong. The back bays are full of boats with the summer in prime tourist season. This traffic pushes the fish down and makes catches harder to find. Targeting areas that are not heavily fished are your best option but not easy to find. Spending a day riding around and exploring new areas of the bay is a fun way to learn new locations and also a great way to see the wildlife of the Ocean City back bays. These bays offer many diverse wildlife that many people have never experienced. The

wild ponies of Assateague Island are more than happy to make an appearance in various areas. The bays are also home to many birds such as osprey which can be found nesting on many of the channel markers and poles in the bay. Flounder are in most of the main channel areas. The area behind Assateague Island is one of the best producing areas this week. The deeper holes near the airport are always a great spot for some big flounder. Drifting squid strips tipped with a live minnow are your best bait. The main entrance to the inlet is also a good spot and during slack tides is one of the few spots that almost always has moving water. Drifting along the rock is the main area to target flounder however many times the middle of the inlet can be very productive. The Bay Bee reports that their trips have been very good lately with anglers bringing home keeper fish on most trips. The Tortuga bay boat reports a banner season with many

anglers bringing home some nice flounder. Mike reports the boat has been so crowded that you should book in advance to make sure you can get your family out on the trip you want. Kevin Twilley reports his clients have gotten some quality flounder as long as they fish hard through the slack tides. John Forman reported a 28.5" flounder on Thursday this week. That is a big fish and will make a great dinner. The nearshore wrecks are also holding some great fish. This week was a very slow drift so jigging the down current side of the wrecks was the best option to catch these fish. A bucktail tipped with squid or a Gulp type bait is the best option. The wrecks at the African Queen have been giving up some real nice flounder. The wrecks at the bass grounds were a little slow this week but I believe the lack of drift had a lot to do with the lack of catches. Croaker, both in the bay as well as the near shore areas, is also heating up with large groups of fish

www.coastalfisherman.net being found. Small pieces of squid and bloodworms are the best baits. The bay area above the Rt. 50 Bridge on the east side is beginning to show some big schools of croaker which make for a fun day with small children. Croaker are very happy to bite just about any bait put in front of them. At the inlet and near the fishing piers, sea trout are biting both swim and floated baits. Evening hours and early morning are the best times for these fish. Spadefish have also been caught along the rocks and sheepshead in the deep hole at the end of the south side jetty rocks. Small hooks tipped with crab and sand fleas are the baits following these fish into biting. This area gets very heavy traffic in the summertime and caution should be used when fishing. The hole is also well known and many anglers will jockey for the best position making it near impossible to get close enough to effectively fish it. Getting here very early or late in the afternoon would be a smart choice if you want to try your luck. Weakfish are also in the inlet and along several bulkheads. Spec rigs as well as paddletails are the best way to target these fish. The high tide after dark usually



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James, Karen, Mackenzie and Brooke Cathell with Carrie Deem and Tessa McNeill took a trip with Capt. Jimmy Hahn and mate Patrick Snipes on the "Bent Tent". All the girls caught multiple fish ending the day with a ~40 lb. yellowfin tuna and 12 tilefish.

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There were lots of yellowfin tuna on the charter boat "C-Boys" last Thursday. Capt. Luke Blume had anglers Tom Covert from Elkton, MD, Brian Simmons of Rehoboth, DE, Don Wall from Lewes and Tony Covata trolling in the Baltimore Canyon about 72 miles out where they raised these nice 6 tunas.



David, Phelan, Ava and Mason Ortiz from Sussex County, NJ definitely got sum on the charter boat "Get Sum"! They were fishing with white Gulp in the Ocean City Bay behind Assateague Island with Capt. Nick Clemente at the helm.

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The Edelman family had a great day fishing on the charter boat "Instigator" with Capt. Josh Wentling and mate Kye Shipp. Seven year old Cole landed a nice yellowfin, his first ever, and Bob, Dianna, Nick and Deanna rocked the tilefishing bringing 15 fish back to the dock. Pictured at the Ocean City Fishing Center.

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Christina Puglisi shares a triple hookup on sea bass with mate Frank during her full day trip on the headboat "Capt. Bob II". Capt. Chris Adams was at the helm and put her and the other anglers over some offshore structures using squid and shiners to land these knotheads..



It was feast or famine for Jason Delp, Emilia Tallarico, Chad Melnick and Rick Melnick on the "Pumpin' Hard" last week. They got 3 yellowfin tunas and 3 mahis, both caught as triples! Capt. Mike Burt had them in the Baltimore Canyon trolling spreader bars and ballyhoos.

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Deborah Szarko is no stranger on the headboat "Angler", fishing several times a season with Capt. Chris Mizurak and mate Rich Fouts. On this trip her prey was keeper flounder at an offshore structure.



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Capt. Joe Drosey mixed it up last Sunday doing both a little chunking and some trolling in the Baltimore Canyon. The effort paid off for Virginia anglers Mike Richardson, Henry Hernandez, Shane Adams and especially Ryan Methany who reeled in a big yellowfin with the group boating 6 in total.

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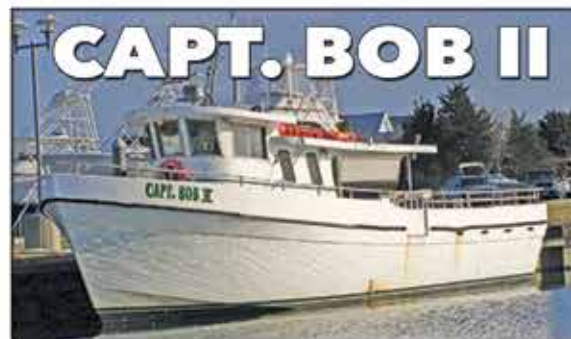
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Surely I'm not the only one who's fishing career started on the bank of a pond with a can of worms, some string, a bamboo pole, a bobber, a hook, and just enough patience to wait for a bite from a bluegill. Fishing doesn't get much simpler than that, and now, whether we spend our time in the blue water, the bay, a big river, a tropical flat, or a long stretch of ocean beach, so many of the simple lessons we learned at the edges of those farm ponds will still come to play no matter how glorious our fishing pursuits become throughout a lifetime of angling. Of those early lessons, knowing "how to bait a hook" is a skill that might appear to be so simplistic that it's not even worthy of much concern, but in reality not doing it right can absolutely sabotage a fishing trip.

I can still remember, as kid, sticking a worm on a hook, flipping it out in the pond, nibble-nibble-nibble - and then no bait! Re-bait and repeat, re-bait and repeat until I finally figured out that if I didn't find a way to hook a fish without losing my worm I'd have to leave the pond and go dig some more! And so began what has turned out to be a never ending

quest to figure out the best ways to put a bait on a hook. Of course it's not as simple as that because there's all kinds of bait, all kinds of hooks and so very many different techniques for fishing those baits and hooks that it's close to impossible to know how to properly stick a hook in every kind of bait for every situation. Fortunately, there are some basic hook-baiting techniques that are a step up from farm pond fishing but not so advanced that the average angler shouldn't have trouble learning and remembering them.

Don't clump it up

One of the biggest mistakes many anglers make is to clump so much bait up inside the bend of the hook that when it's time to impale the fish there's not enough open space between the point and the shank of the hook to get a good sturdy bite in the jaw. This is not as much of a problem with a very soft bait like worms or clams, but sturdy baits like squid, live bait or cut baits can definitely make it difficult to properly hook a fish if it's blocking too much of the gap.

Baits should flutter, not spin

A lot of folks don't realize how

much a fish will be turned off by a spinning bait. Whether it's a strip of squid, fillet of fish, a crab, a live bait, or even a big chunk of something to catch a shark on - it's crucial that it be put on the hook in such a way that it doesn't spin. Spinning can usually be prevented by trimming baits so they are streamlined and by impaling them close enough to one end that a big flap of bait doesn't fold over and create a lip as it's moving through the water. When in doubt, anglers can check for spinning by casting and retrieving bait a short distance or observing as it hangs in the current or is lowered a few feet below the surface.

Leave the hook exposed

There are good and bad points to having a very exposed hook protruding from a bait: The good news is that, for some reason, fish will often get so focused on eating a bait (or lure) that they ignore the fact that there's a big shiny hook protruding from it, and that's a good thing, because the more the hook is exposed, the better chances it has of impaling the fish. So when you can get away with it, it's always an advantage to leave as much of the hook exposed as possible.

Of course, we never know what's going on beneath the waves. We might be having what we "think" is great success and yet be missing opportunities at the same time to hook more, bigger, or even

different types of fish that are reluctant to eat something that has a chunk of metal protruding from it. In some cases we might be getting bites by only the still young and foolish or half-blind fish who just don't know better! Hide the hook - or expose the hook? There's nothing wrong with experimenting with both techniques to see what's going to work best on any given trip.

Hooking live bait

When hooking a live bait such as a spot, pinfish, or mullet, anglers must decide whether to hook it the front, the back, or in the tail. Each has its advantages and disadvantages. Take a spot for instance; hooked through the bottom lip and out the top it will be streamlined and make for a nice bait to cast and retrieve or to fish in a strong current. However, when it's needed for such a bait to swim down in relatively calm water or be suspended under a float, it's sometimes better to hook it in the back which allows it to swim more naturally and for the fish that eats it to take it headfirst which is often the preferred direction.

Unfortunately, live baits like mackerel or bunker can sometimes be too soft to effectively be fished with a hook in their back - they just won't stay on the hook. Also, because of their size or unique body shape, certain baits like eels, live minnows and shiners

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are almost always hooked in the front of the head, but there are so many variable situations that anglers will have to make a judgment call each time they fish with almost any kind of live bait.

What I've put forth here is just a slight taste of things anglers should consider when they have a bait in one hand, a hook in the other and are trying to figure out the best way to put the two together. There's so much more that can be said about how to hook a bait; like using a bite sized bait so that fish won't grab just the back end and pull it off the hook, using rubber bands to help hold a soft bait in place, and impaling a cut bait through the meat and out the skin so the meat doesn't get all squished up. Oh yeah, and if the bluegills keep stealing your worms, try threading them on the hook like the way you pull on a sock. It's far better that going off to dig more worms in the middle of a hot bite! §



These boys from York, PA have plenty to be pleased about. Anglers Dave Carley, Robb Etzweiler, Michael Kapsak and Erma Strausbaugh (not pictured) headed out of the Indian River Marina on the private boat "York Fire". They were in 75-80 feet of water southwest of B Buoy jigging with Gulp and live minnows. Capt. Bob Etzweiler was at the helm with mate Michael Kapsak in the pit.



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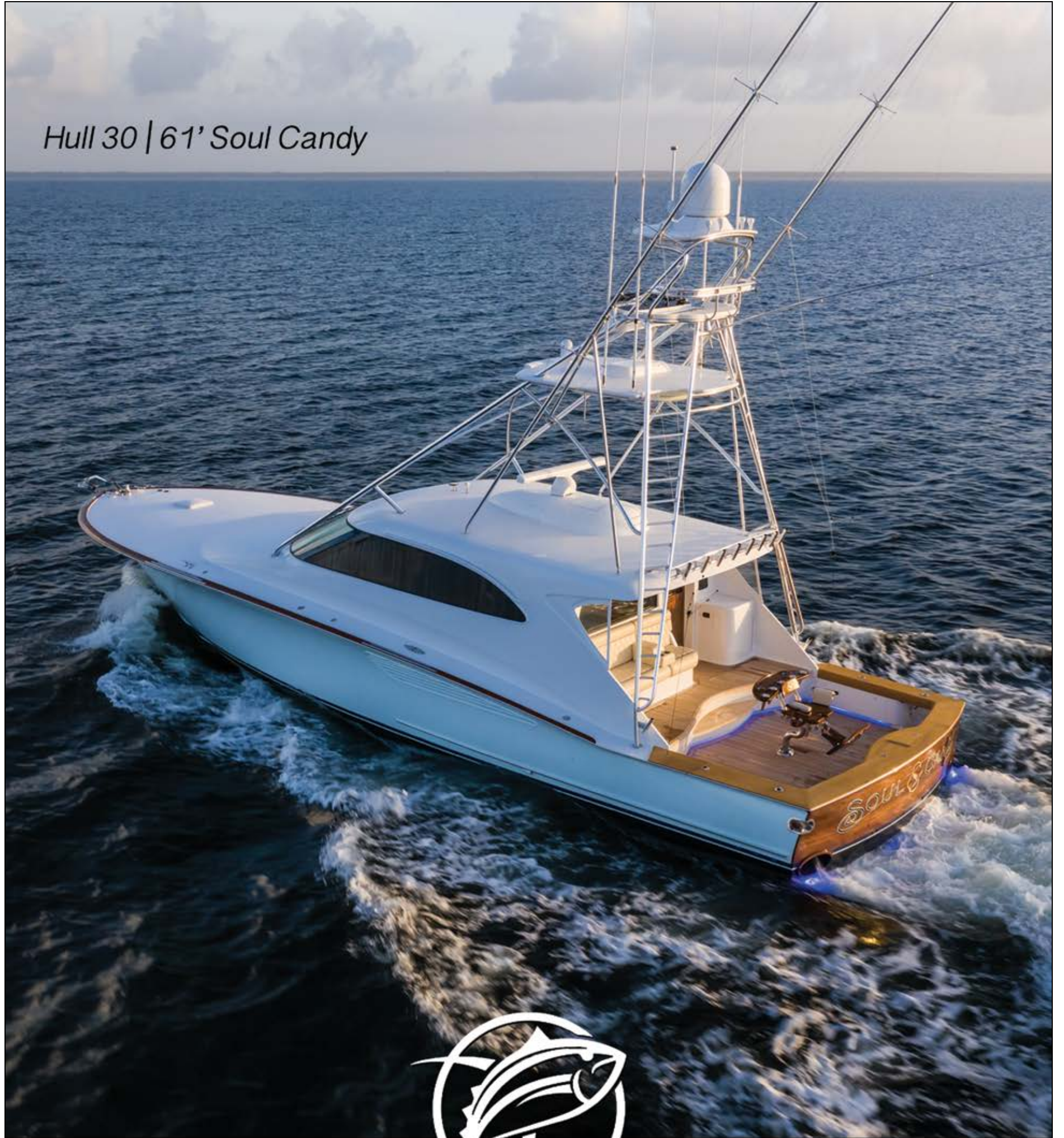
It was a boat full of firsts for Savannah Gable, Jenny Madden and Terri Gable, all catching their first flounders! They were with John Madden and Layla Gable fishing the outgoing tide at the Indian River Inlet and were using custom tied Larry Burns Flounder Rigs baited with a minnow and squid combo. Two of the fish were keepers with the largest at 19".

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Dolphin	45"	15 lbs. or 41"	Mako*	Any Size	250 lbs. or 83"
Flounder	24"	7 lbs. or 25"	Thresher*	Any Size	100 lbs. or 66"
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King Mackerel	40"	10 lbs. or 26"	TUNA:		
Red Drum*	36"	45"	Longfin Albacore	36"	30 lb. or 32"
Sailfish*	Any Size	-	False Albacore	24"	12 lbs. or 26"
Sea Bass	20"	3 lbs. or 17"	Bigeye***	60"	70 lbs. or 48"
Sheepshead	20"	8 lbs. or 22"	Bluefin***	55"	100 lbs. or 60"
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 Bluefish	June 9 Shaun Flaherty Rt. 50 Bridge 12 lbs. 3 oz.	May 8 Gavin Murray Gull Island 15.1 lbs.	 Mako Shark	July 1 Vince Cusimano Poor Man's 250 lbs.	No Weights Reported
 Black Drum	April 11 Emily Blume Assateague Island 48 lbs.	May 7 Adam Clarke Slaughter Beach 77.5 lbs.	 Thresher Shark	June 7 Roman Brady Fingers 542 lbs.	June 17 Rory Badger Old grounds 458 lbs.
 Cobia	June 17 Shannon Pickens S. of OC Inlet 36 lbs.	No Weights Reported	 Bigeye Tuna ★ NEW	July 28 John Edward Washington Canyon 257 lbs.	July 11 Fiore Celano Poor Man's 171 lbs.
 Flounder	July 4 Richard Rudell Old Grounds 10 lbs.	July 20 Mark Bonk Site 10 8.8 lbs.	 Bluefin Tuna	May 28 James Hammond Poor Man's 150 lbs.	No Weights Reported
 Sea Bass	May 27 Michael DePalma Jack Spot 4.05 lbs.	May 28 Denise Eddinger Del Jersey Reef 4.1 lbs.	 Longfin Tuna	July 17 Kayler Michael Baltimore Canyon 61 lbs.	No Weights Reported
 Sheepshead	July 14 James Williams OC Inlet 13 lbs.	July 8 Chris Gratton Indian River Inlet 6.1 lbs.	 Yellowfin Tuna	July 24 Shane Surrency Spencer Canyon 111 lbs.	June 26 Julia Dadisman Poor Man's 118 lbs.
 Striped Bass	May 6 Buddy Martin East Channel 17 lb. 8 oz.	No Weights Reported	 Dolphin	June 25 Jimmy Carr Washington Canyon 28 lbs.	July 15 Bill Dickinson Poor Man's 26.6 lbs.
 Tautog	April 27 Kurtis Berry Ocean Structure 22.7 lbs.	April 19 Johnny Justison Ocean Structure 8.9 lbs.	 Wahoo	July 19 Brian Jacobs Hot Dog 90 lbs.	No Weights Reported
 Weakfish	June 23 Doug Stewart OC Inlet 3.9 lbs.	July 3 Michael Steffy Outer Wall 5.95 lbs.	 White Marlin	July 24 Frank Green Washington Canyon 72 lbs.	No Weights Reported

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Five year old Max Koehler from Mountville, PA is definitely hooked on fishing now. He caught his first flounder using pink Gulp during the outgoing tide while fishing the Ocean City East Channel with his big brother Mason.



Shawn Flaherty And Big Bird Cropper continue their summer of striper marathon! These 2 keepers measured 33" and 29" and were caught using a stretch 20 at the Rt. 50 Bridge. The big one tried to get off by running in between the bridge pilings, but there is no getting away from these two!

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Ingredients:

Tautog:

- 1 lb. tautog filets
- smoked paprika
- salt and pepper
- shredded parmesan cheese

Directions:

Preheat the oven to 425° and line a baking sheet with tin foil or parchment paper.

Arrange fillets on the baking sheet and sprinkle each fillet on both sides evenly with smoked paprika, salt, pepper and shredded parmesan cheese. Bake for 7-10 minutes, or until cooked through.

Herb Lemon Sauce:

- 1 tbs. unsalted butter
- 2 tbs. extra virgin olive oil
- 4 cloves garlic, minced
- Juice and zest of 1 large lemon



Directions:

In a small saucepan, melt butter over medium heat then add in olive oil and garlic. Bring to a low sizzle for 2 minutes, then turn the heat off and stir in lemon juice and zest, salt and pepper to taste and herbs.

Let the herbs marinate in the sauce for at least 10 minutes, and then strain the herbs out (optional) before drizzling over the fish. You can use this sauce to drizzle over the rice too!

Frankenfish Tacos

Ingredients:

Chimichurri Marinade:

- 1/4 cup white vinegar
- 2/3 tablespoon dried oregano
- 1/2 tablespoon crushed red pepper
- 1/2 tablespoon kosher salt
- 7 cloves garlic, peeled
- 1 1/2 bunches fresh flat-leaf parsley, stemmed
- Juice of 1 fresh ripe lime
- 3/4 cup extra-virgin olive oil
- One 12-oz. skinless fillet snakehead, sliced into 1-inch-thick slices

Grilled Corn Salsa:

- 4 1/2 ounces onion, small dice
- 2 ears corn, grilled until blistered, kernels removed
- Juice of 2 ripe limes
- 1 jalapeno, seeded and finely diced
- 1/4 bunch fresh cilantro, stemmed and roughly chopped
- Kosher salt

Slaw:

- 1 1/2 cups mayonnaise
- 1/8 cup sugar

- 1/8 cup white vinegar
- 1 1/2 tablespoons chipotle in adobo, pureed
- 1/2 tablespoon fresh lime juice
- 1/2 head cabbage, shaved
- Canola oil, for cooking fish
- Kosher salt
- Grilled 6-inch tortillas, for serving
- Fried sweet potato sticks, for serving
- Lime slices, for serving

Directions:

For the chimichurri marinade: Combine the vinegar, oregano, crushed red pepper, salt, garlic, parsley and lime juice in a food processor. Slowly add in the olive oil while blending.



Cover the snakehead with the desired amount of chimichurri marinade and refrigerate while preparing the slaw and grilled corn salsa.

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For the grilled corn salsa: Combine the onions, corn, lime juice, jalapeno and cilantro in a mixing bowl and season with salt. Taste and adjust the seasoning as necessary.

For the slaw: Whisk together the mayonnaise, sugar, vinegar, chipotle and lime juice in a bowl until combined. Slowly add the slaw mix to the cabbage until desired consistency is reached. If you would like more heat, add more chipotle puree.

For assembly: Heat a saute pan over high heat and coat with oil. Once the pan is hot and the oil slides freely across the pan, place the snakehead in the pan and sprinkle with salt. Cook until tender to the touch and the fish begins to flake when pushed with a spatula. This fish cooks extremely fast!

Place the grilled tortillas on a plate and top with the snakehead, grilled corn salsa, slaw and fried sweet potato sticks. Garnish with lime slices.

Cook's Note:

If snakehead is not available, it can be substituted with another in any other white fleshed fish.

Best Gazpacho

Ingredients:

About 2 pounds ripe red tomatoes, cored and roughly cut into chunks

1 Italian frying (cubanelle) pepper or another long, light green pepper, such as Anaheim, cored, seeded and roughly cut into chunks

1 cucumber, about 8 inches long, peeled and roughly cut into chunks

1 small mild onion (white or red), peeled and roughly cut into chunks

1 clove garlic

2 teaspoons sherry vinegar, more to taste

Salt

½ cup extra-virgin olive oil, more to taste, plus more for drizzling

Directions:

Combine tomatoes, pepper, cucumber, onion and garlic in a blender or, if using a hand blender, in a deep bowl. (If necessary, work in batches.) Blend at high speed until very smooth, at least 2 minutes, pausing occasionally to scrape down the sides with a rubber spatula.

With the motor running, add

(preferably glass) and chill until very cold, at least 6 hours or overnight.

Before serving, adjust the seasonings with salt and vinegar. If soup is very thick, stir in a few tablespoons ice water. Serve in glasses, over ice if desired, or in a bowl. A few drops of olive oil on top are a nice touch.

Grilled Marlin Steaks

Ingredients:

2 large marlin steaks, about 3/4-inch thick

1/3 cup pineapple juice

2 tbsp. grapeseed oil

2 tbsp. sesame oil


1/2 tbsp. low-sodium soy sauce

1 large clove garlic, minced



the vinegar and 2 teaspoons salt. Slowly drizzle in the olive oil. The mixture will turn bright orange or dark pink and become smooth and emulsified, like a salad dressing. If it still seems watery, drizzle in more olive oil until texture is creamy.

Strain the mixture through a strainer or a food mill, pushing all the liquid through with a spatula or the back of a ladle. Discard the solids. Transfer to a large pitcher




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1/2 tsp. fresh ginger, minced
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Directions:



In a small bowl, combine pineapple juice, grapeseed oil, sesame oil, soy sauce, garlic, ginger and black pepper. Whisk all the ingredients until well blended.

Put marlin steaks in a large re-sealable bag and pour the marinade over. Close the bag and massage/flip it until the steaks are well coated. Transfer to the refrigerator for 1 to 1 1/2 hours, turning and massaging steaks once or twice.

Preheat barbecue to 500-550°F.

Place the marlin steaks on a plate and discard the marinade.

Transfer the steaks on the hot grill, close the lid and grill for 3 minutes on one side. Flip them and cook

for another 2 minutes with the lid closed.

Broiled Flounder with Parmesan "Caesar" Glaze

Ingredients:

8 skinless flounder fillets, 4 to 5 oz. each

Kosher salt and freshly ground black pepper

1/3 cup good-quality mayonnaise

1/2 cup freshly grated Parmigiano Reggiano, grated on the small holes of a box grater

1-1/2 Tbs. loosely packed finely grated lemon zest

1 Tbs. fresh lemon juice

1/2 tsp. Worcestershire sauce

1 small clove garlic, minced

2 Tbs. coarsely chopped fresh flat-leaf parsley

Directions:

Position a rack 4 inches from the heat element and heat the broiler on high. Lightly season both sides of the fillets with salt and pepper. Set a fillet before you, skinned side up, and starting at the narrow end, roll up the fillet. Repeat with the remaining fillets.

Spray a broiler pan with nonstick

cooking spray. Arrange the flounder rolls, seam side down, in the pan. Broil until the tops are lightly browned, 7 to 8 min. Meanwhile, whisk the mayonnaise, parmesan, lemon zest and juice, Worcestershire, and garlic in a small bowl. Season with pepper to taste.

When the tops of the fillets are lightly browned, remove the fish from the broiler. Spread equal



amounts of the mayonnaise mixture over the top of each fillet. Return to the broiler until the topping is golden brown and bubbling, 1-1/2 to 2 min. Transfer the fillets to four dinner plates and sprinkle with the parsley. Serve immediately.



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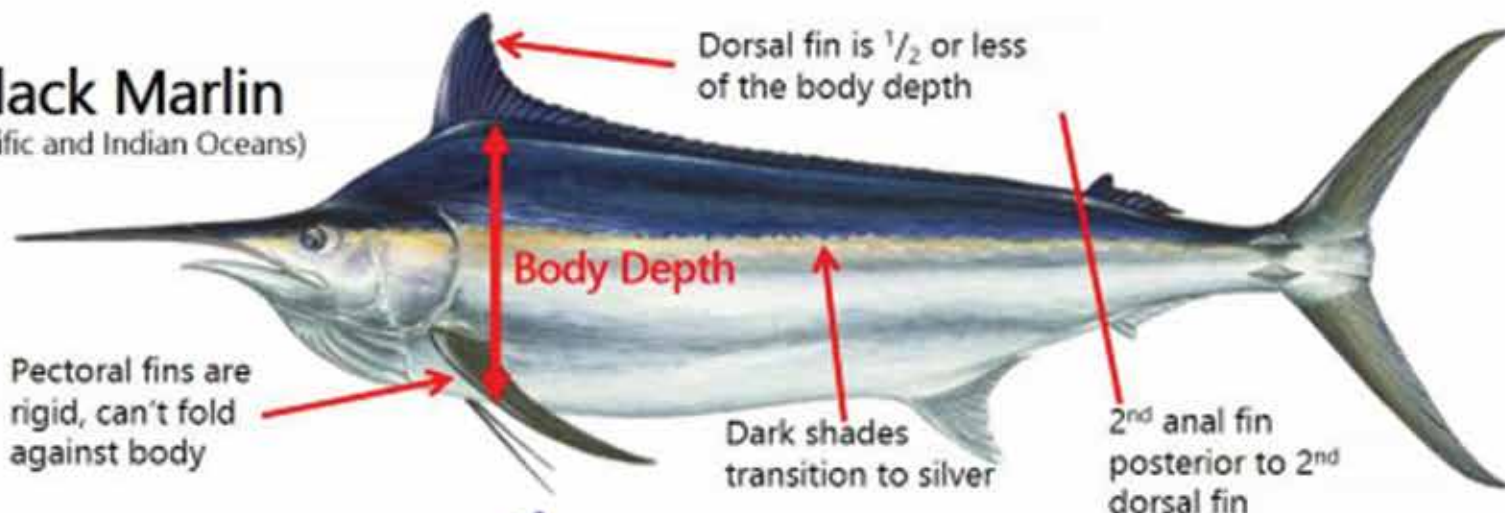
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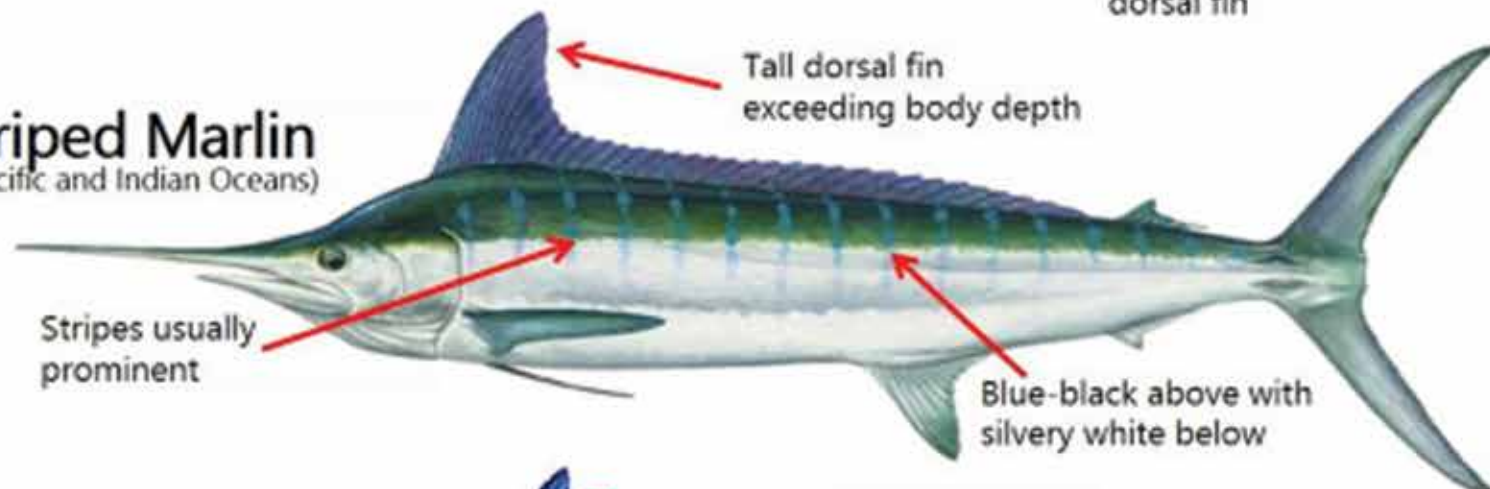
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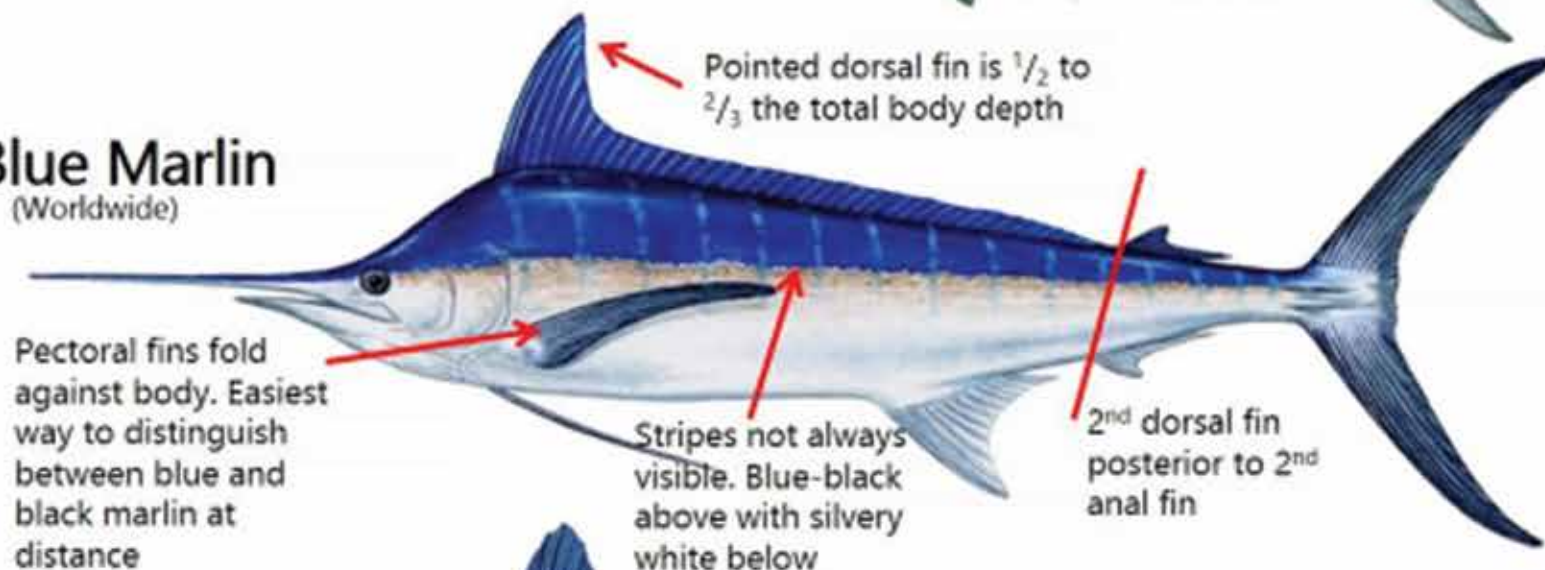
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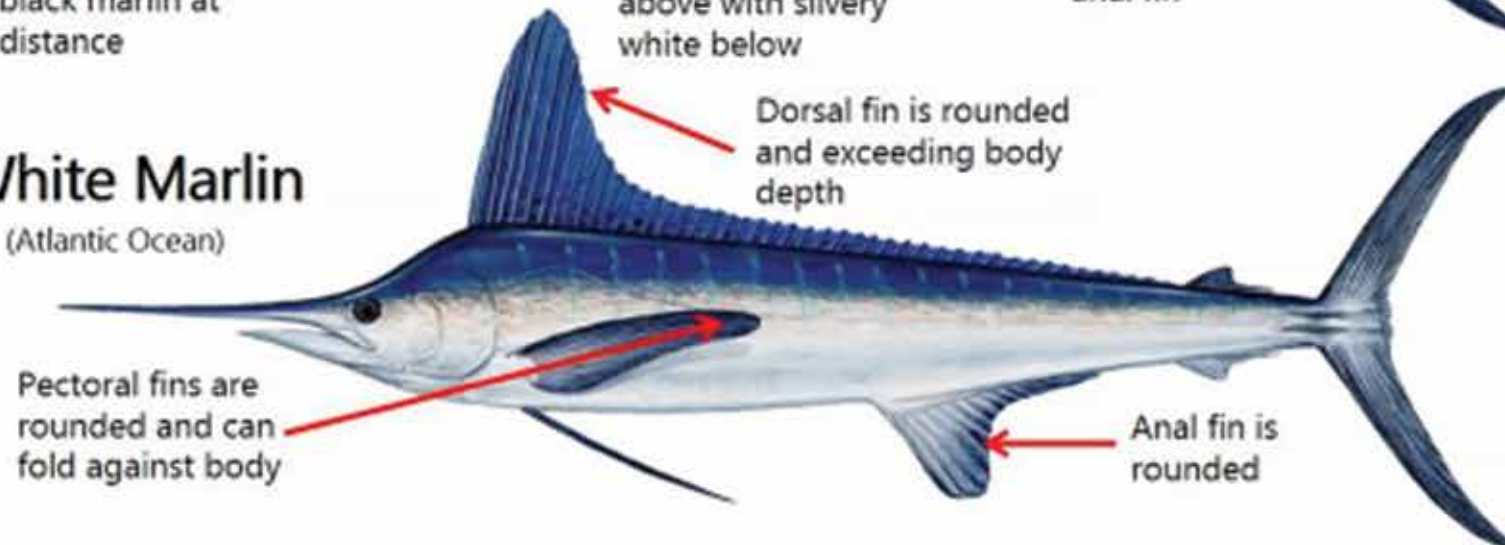
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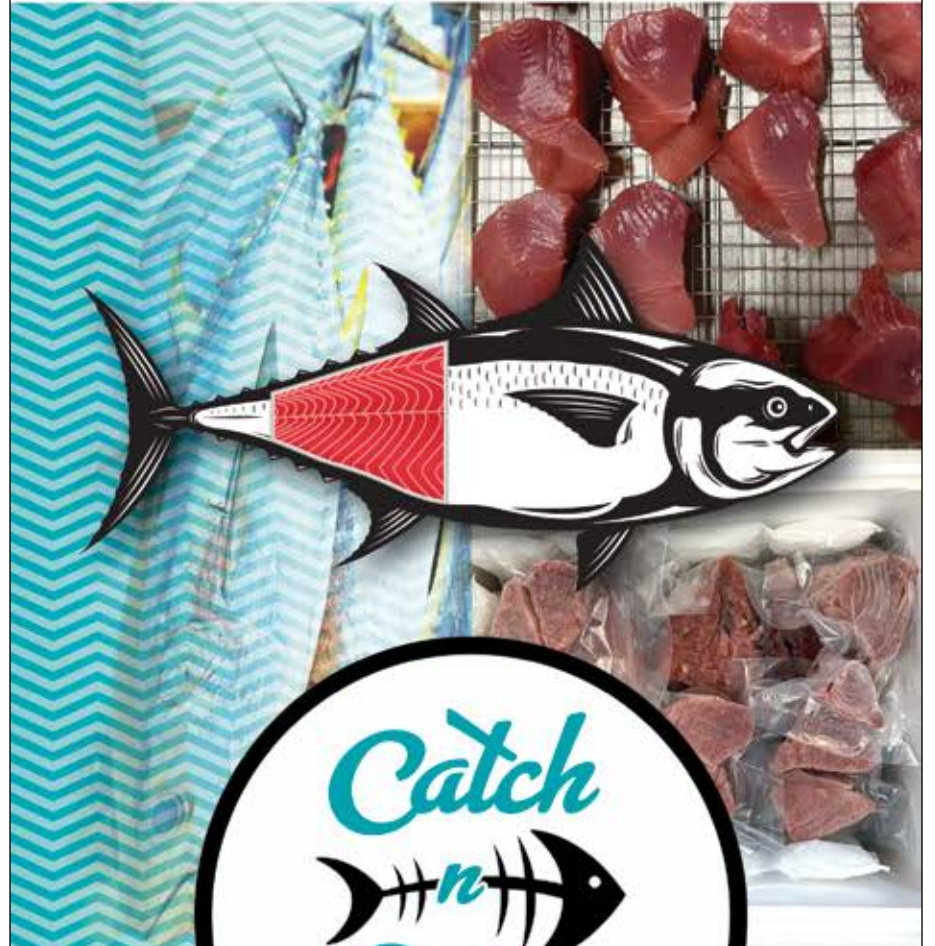
This crew has a reason to smile, not only catching a 257 lb. bigeye tuna, but having an epic fish story to go with it. Anglers John Edward and Katherine Anderson from Linn Valley, KS were fishing with Capt. Rob Rondini and mates Yanni Harris & Doug Collison on the "Nina's Revenge". They caught this one east of the Washington Canyon after a 5½ hour fight. At one point the mate had to jump in the water to untangle the line from the prop and at the end Capt. Rob had to spin the boat in place for 30 minutes to get the beast to turn. Congrats on setting the new Heaviest bigeye for MD.



Erin Yoder from Quarryville, PA caught this big knothead at an ocean structure using squid. She was with Capt. Adam Leemon on the "Midnight Express". Pictured at Dan's Tackle Box.

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Five year old Max Koehler from Mountville, PA had quite a week. Fishing with his brother Mason aboard the Orange Crusher earlier in the week, he caught his first flounder. On this trip the pair caught some nice triggerfish at an inshore reef using cut squid.



Anglers Gary Chandler and Capt Rich Harpel found some keeper flounders while drifting at the Old Grounds. They were using top & bottom rigs tipped with squid and cut bait. These 4 ranged from 17" to 19".



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FISHING REPORT

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This week saw calmer seas and very warm days. Flounder slowed a little this week, however most of that was due to no drift. Sea bass is still very productive for as warm as the water is.

Flounder, Redfish & Bluefish

Flounder has slowed a little this week mostly due to low winds and a very slow drift. Most days saw a drift of around .03 mph causing many boats to have to bump the boat forward with the motor in order to move fast enough to trigger strikes. Michelle King was out at the Old Grounds and managed a nice catch of flounder. Frank Tucker, Jon Little, and Thomas Dukes had a tough day on Wednesday but did manage to bring home a few fish for dinner. Frank and

crew fished the Old Grounds but had very little drift. Good job bringing home the 5 keepers that they did. Gale Force charters managed a few nice fish with Logan Warner catching a 25.5" flounder weighing an impressive 6.2 lbs. It is always good to see our youth catching nice fish like this one. Great job, Logan. Looking in the back bays, Patrick Debel caught a nice 18" flounder in the Lewes Canal. The Savannah Lynn had a small group on Tuesday but was rewarded with a big catch of really nice keeper flounder. Both adults and the 2 kids all caught fish making everyone very happy. Marylou Kachel caught a nice 20" flounder out of Massey's Ditch channel on Thursday. In the back bays of Indian River, Massey's Ditch and the area

in front of the Coast Guard station remain the hot spots. Off shore the Old Grounds area is the best chance to catch some keeper flounder. When the drift is slow, jigging bucktails along the bottom tipped with squid strips is the best option to combat the slow drift. Nighttime rockfish and bluefish in the inlet this week were slow with only a few reports coming in of undersized fish being caught off the rocks near the bridge. Cut bait was the key to get these fish to bite this week. A few tog were also taken off the rocks at the inlet. Sand fleas and cut crab accounted for these tasty fish. Further back in the bay I have reports of puppy drum otherwise known as redfish being caught on swimbaits behind the power plant. The right side of this channel is the deeper part and is where you find these fish. They stage along the grass growing on the bank and any fallen structure along the banks.

Sea Bass, Triggerfish & Croaker

Sea bass remains very strong for this time of year. Those looking to catch keeper fish should target deeper water at 80 feet or deeper. Clam and squid are working about the same this time of year. The Judy V reported some nice flounder catches and a few keeper sea bass on the near shore wrecks. The Judy V is also seeing the croaker starting to turn on. Within the next two weeks, these fish should be all over the near shore structure and humps. For those with small boats, the humps just outside the inlet are a great spot to target these fish. Small pieces of squid or fish bites work best for these fish. The discharge pipe in front of Bethany Beach is also a good place to

target these fish. After dark the croaker will stage on the pipe in large numbers. The bay areas will also hold some impressive schools and can be targeted by boats that are not big enough to make the trip out the inlet. Triggerfish have really gotten good on most of the near shore wrecks. These fish are a great table fare with a firm white meat that rivals even the best offshore fish. The wrecks near the Fenwick Shoals are known for holding big numbers of these fish and would be a great place to start when looking to catch them. Speaking of the Fenwick Shoals, trolling small spoons and bucktails at a slow speed at high tide is producing some nice bluefish and a few sea trout. The wrecks here, which include the boiler, are a great spot to dive and spearfish for triggerfish as well as several other species. This area is also good to target sharks and cobia by anchoring near the wrecks and structure, and chumming. Late afternoon after many anglers have returned to the dock is the best time.

Crabs & Clams

Crabbing is in full swing in the Indian River Bay with average catches being around 12-14 keepers per pot. Bunker is far out fishing the normal chicken bait. Spend the extra money for the bunker and I promise you will be much happier with your catches. Deeper channel areas in the 6 ft depth are your best area to set your pots. The tidal flow of the water will produce bigger crabs and larger catches. Clams are also doing great. The area near Holts Landing and the VFW are the strongest areas. The Rehoboth Bay has also been very productive. The state parking areas along route 1 are easily accessed and have been very productive. This is a fun activity for families whether you are visiting or a local.

Until next week...

Tight lines and fins up



Ryan Cowder caught a fat 21 inch flounder in the Thorofare while fishing with Jason Pylypczuk. He caught this toothy one using white Gulp at the beginning of the incoming tide.



Rilee (12) and Chase (9) Neumayer from Hanover, PA caught this 17" flounder drifting a salmon red colored Gulp near Harbor Island during the incoming tide and a 10" croaker on white Gulp in the Thorofare.

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Capt. Dave Caffrey took his charter boat "On The Run" out to fish some wrecks last week with Laura Slemph from Hanover, PA. She caught this 4 lb. flounder using cut tuna strip. Pictured at Bahia Marina.



The bulk head in Ocean City between 2nd and 4th streets has been very productive lately. Travis Gosnell from Ocean View, DE got a nice surprise catching this 13" croaker there using sand fleas.

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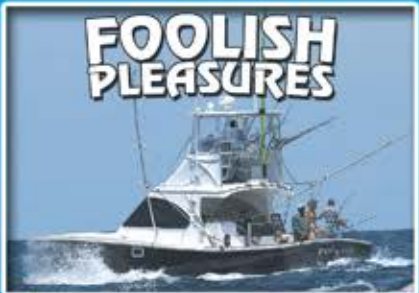


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Let's review a popular topic during fishing tournaments - Time of day

While many fishing crew may not wear a watch while fishing, keeping track of the correct time is even more critical during a tournament. With so many electronic gadgets supplying the time, we expect the time we see to be correct and synchronized between all

devices and the tournament organizers. A marine Chartplotter or GPS, as with most modern timekeeping devices, needs to be properly programmed to your location for the proper time zone and daylight savings time if applicable. Many of us on a boat have come to rely on the time on the chartplotter or related device for the proper "official" time.

How does a GPS chartplotter know the correct time?

These chartplotters receive the time from the GPS satellites. In addition to longitude, latitude, and altitude, the Global Positioning System (GPS) provides a critical fourth dimension - time. Each GPS satellite contains multiple atomic clocks that contribute very precise time

data to the GPS signals. GPS receivers decode these signals to the UTC standard and effectively synchronize each GPS receiver to the world's atomic clocks. This enables users to determine the exact time to within 100 billionths of a second, without the cost of owning and operating atomic clocks.

The manufacturers of these GPS receivers generally automate the device's time settings, allowing the time to be automatically adjusted based on your GPS location, just like a smartphone. Seems like a good idea, right? Well, many of the devices may be too smart; they know when your boat moves into a different time zone or time of year and even when it has exceeded the coastal 12-mile territorial waters of the USA. Once beyond the 12-mile coastal limit, the Chartplotter often automatically eliminates the daylight savings time (subtracting one hour in the summer) on the way to the distant fishing grounds and then adding back that hour on the return trip to the dock, at that same 12 mile territorial water limit. If your system is not set-up properly, your GPS time while offshore may be an hour different from the official time back at the dock!

The best way to deal with this issue and synchronize the vessel's time to the same time zone at port is to manually configure the time zone (or offset) of your GPS display systems. Often, the time of day menu on the chartplotter has a setting to adjust the display format and offset adjustment from UTC time reference. Keeping the same time at sea and at port will also allow your calculated ETA to be correct.

Here in Maryland during the summer, the time zone is -4 (minus 4 hours) from UTC.

Popular Garmin chartplotter devices generally default to an automatic time zone setting and need to be adjusted

to a manual time zone configuration to eliminate the 12 mile offshore time change. The steps below are for the most popular current Garmin devices, other brands may be similar.

- Start from the Home screen
- Select Configure/Settings
- Select Preferences
- Select Units
- Select Time
- Select Time Zone

Select Custom, then change to -4 for summer season on the east coast.

GMT or UTC?

Many of us once referenced time based on Greenwich Mean Time (GMT). GMT is a time zone in England that also happens to be the same as UTC.

The Universal Time Coordinated (UTC) is an international standard referenced around the world. UTC is an atomic timescale; it usually has 86,400 seconds per day but is kept within 0.9 seconds of the mean solar time as by the introduction of occasional leap seconds. If you are curious, there are currently 37 worldwide time zones, with some zones 30- or 45-minute intervals as compared to the traditional one-hour differentials based on 1 hour per 15 degrees longitude.

If you are using a digital video camera or still camera (especially in tournaments) be sure you check and set the device's time, so the image's timestamp is correct with the time zone and season.

Setting your ships clocks and devices to the correct time will allow you to be sure you start and stop fishing at the correct time, fill out the catch reports properly and have the correct estimated time of arrival (ETA) for your trip.

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Rich Daiker and Kenny Schoen are at it again. This trip saw them catch their limit of red drum (up to 23") and flounder (up to 21") at the Rt. 50 Bridge. They were fishing on the "Delicious" using bunker and mullet.

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We got a great picture from Capt. Zach Brunner of Hotline Sportfishing from a trip last week. Angler Tommy Ridge was in the Baltimore Canyon in 80° water when the only bite for the day hit a Hook'em n Hang'em wide tracker with a sea witch on the flat line.

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At first glance it may look like Dave Borrell from New Bloomfield, PA wants to give you this fish, but it is one of the first keepers he has had in many years so hands off! He fooled this 17" flat fish in the Thorofare with a live minnow.

OCEAN CITY INLET TIDES & MOON PHASES

WED. AUG 4	High 05:10 am High 06:13 pm	Low 11:06 am Low -----
THUR. AUG 5	High 06:00 am High 06:59 pm	Low 12:37 am Low 11:55 pm
FRI. AUG 6	High 06:49 am High 07:42 pm	Low 01:19 am Low 12:41 pm
SAT. AUG 7	High 07:37 am High 08:24 pm	Low 01:57 am Low 01:26 pm
SUN. AUG 8 <i>New Moon</i>	High 08:24 am High 09:05 pm	Low 02:33 am Low 02:09 pm
MON. AUG 9	High 09:10 am High 09:44 pm	Low 03:08 am Low 02:53 pm
TUE. AUG 10	High 09:55 am High 10:23 pm	Low 03:44 am Low 03:39 pm
WED. AUG 11	High 10:40 am High 11:02 pm	Low 04:22 am Low 04:28 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
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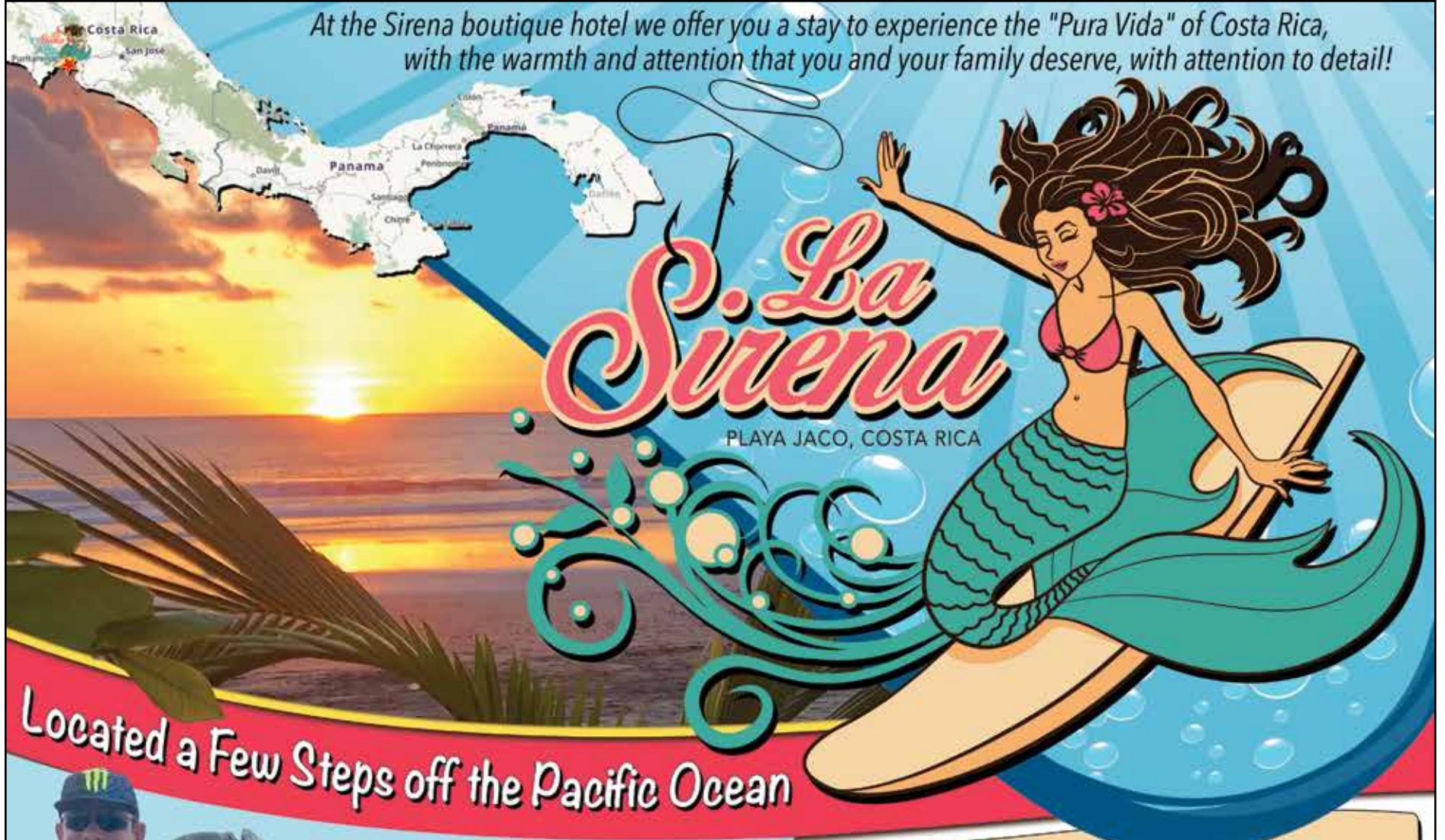
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Last Saturday during the final day of the 13th Annual OCMC Ladies Tournament "Heels & Reels", Shelby Rineholt reeled in a winning 17.6 lb. dolphin while fishing on the charter boat "Playmate". Capt. Jeremy Shandrowski had the girls trolling in the Baltimore Canyon near some lobster trap balls to tease this fish up. It finished the event in a 2 way tie for 1st Place in the Dolphin Division earning \$11,677 in prize money. Rounding out the crew were Katie Larrimere who released a blue marlin, Kaitlyn Collins, Hannah Dann, Meg Bisasky and Ashley Larrimore with mates Zack Little and Brendan Barby.



Maryland anglers Jennie Bowers, Emilee Metlow, Denise Seidler, Melissa Tewey, Katie Millford and Michele Kaatz really got down to business on the final day of the 13th Annual OCMC Ladies Tournament "Heels & Reels" last Saturday. They brought a total of 3 yellowfin tunas and 2 qualifying mahi to the scales and reported a blue marlin release from their day fishing on the "Business" in the Wilmington Canyon. It was the 17.6 lb. dolphin though that placed them in the money in a tie for 1st Place in the Dolphin Division earning \$11,677. Capt. Dave Goddard with mates Eddie Huffman & CJ Janiszewski put them on some weed lines to find this winner.



13TH ANNUAL OCMC LADIES' TOURNAMENT "Heels & Reels"

BILLFISH RELEASE		
1ST PLACE • "KNOT AGAIN"	400 Pts. •	\$32,085
2ND PLACE • "REEL CHAOS"	400 Pts. •	\$6,831
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TUNA		
1ST PLACE • "SOUTHERN C's"	107.8 lbs. •	\$19,237
2ND PLACE • "POINT RUNNER"	107.4 lbs. •	\$4,117
3RD PLACE • "POINT RUNNER"	102.6 lbs. •	\$2,745

DOLPHIN		
1ST PLACE (TIE) • "PLAYMATE"	17.6 lbs. •	\$11,677
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Wade Henderson sponsored the anglers on the "Reel Chaos" in memory of his wife Lisa during the 13th Annual OCMC Ladies Tournament "Heels & Reels". Capt. Anthony Matarese with mates Jake Graves and Mike Matarese had anglers Brooke Borrelli, Donna White, Katie Fallow, Beth Hannon, Stacy Thomas and Carolyn Downey east of the Baltimore Canyon. There, Brook and Donna released their 1st white marlins ever and Katie and Beth released a white earning the team a combined total of 400 points and securing 2nd Place in the Billfish Release Division earning \$6,831 in prize money.



On the final day of the 13th Annual OCMC Ladies Tournament "Heels & Reels", the Tuna Division got hot with the first bigeye tuna brought in by the "Southern C's" tipping the scales at 107.8 lbs.! Angler Sarah Dent took over 2.5 hours to get this winner to the boat after it hit on a dink 20 rod while trolling in the outside the Baltimore solidly in 1st Place for the division. Despite a challenge from another bigeye just 0.4 pounds short, their fish held onto 1st Place in the Tuna Division earning \$19,237. Putting the team on the action were Capt. Dennis Bennett with mate Garrett Simpson along with Gus Croll for support.



On the last day of the 13th Annual OCMC Ladies Tournament "Heels & Reels", the crew of the "Whiskey Kilo" brought 3 qualifying mahi to the scales! Anglers Danae, Natalia and Madison Ross connected with the fish in a triple hookup while trolling between the Wilmington and Baltimore Canyons in about 1000 fathoms earning the crew \$2,745 in award money. Rounding out the crew were fellow anglers Courtney Ross, Shawna Berger and Jordan, Tanya and Shanshaina Cauahan. Capt. Jojo Joachimowski was at the helm with mates Brad Clark, Conrad Ross and Austin Craig in the pit.

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On opening day of the 13th Annual OCMC Ladies Tournament "Heels & Reels", only 8 of the 64 boats headed out due to weather conditions. It was tough going in the morning but anglers Laney O'Connor, Jenna Daugherty and Erika Glass toughed it out and were rewarded with 2 white marlin releases as well as a blue marlin earning 350 points. They were fishing on the "Kilo Charlie" with Capt. Howard Lynch III, mate Burro Gonzalez, Andrew Kinsley and Chris Nolt east of the Baltimore Canyon in 700 - 800 fathoms. This score held onto take 3rd Place in the Release Division earning \$4,554 in prize money.



The charter boat "Point Runner" certainly came to play during the 13th Annual OCMC Ladies Tournament "Heels & Reels"! Coming to the scales late on the final day anglers Donna Haffer, Dana Quinn, Sarah Dent, Anita Dent, Jenny Yates and Denise See put 2 bigeye tunas on the dock. Sarah Dent caught the larger of the two in Wilmington Canyon in 500 fathoms. It had hit on a dink 20 rod and she had to work the fish for over 2.5 hours! Weighing in at 107.4 lbs. it was just 0.4 pound short of the lead, however combined with the 2nd 103.6 lb. bigeye the crew secured both 2nd and 3rd Place in the Tuna Division earning a combined award of \$6,862. As always Capt. Chris Kubik was at the wheel with mates Lucas Tolly & Richard Wright in the pit.



Natalia Ross took top honors in the Junior Angler Division of the 13th Annual OCMC Ladies Tournament "Heels & Reels" earning a cool \$500 in prize money. She was fishing on the "Whiskey Kilo" with Capt. Jojo Joachimowski and mates Brad Clark, Conrad Ross and Austin Craig between the Wilmington and Baltimore Canyons in about 1000 fathoms.

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