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First place in the Bluefin Division of the 28th Annual Canyon Kick-Off went to angler Shane Mitchell and the crew on the "Jezebel" for their 106.6 lb. bluefin caught in 74-degree water south of the Marine Electric. Fishing with Shane was Joe Maffei, Tim Kane, Keith Jacobs, Nick Miller, Capt. Chester Sadowski and Mate Frank Steuernagle. The 59-inch fish was hooked on a trolled ballyhoo and earned the crew \$2,210 in award money. Pictured at Sunset Marina.

Double Lines

by Dale Timmons



In a blurb on the disqualification at this year's Big Rock Tournament in North Carolina last week, I briefly mentioned the new National Saltwater Registry. There is apparently some confusion between this requirement and the federal HMS (Highly Migratory Species) permit. An article in one of the local weeklies last week stated, "First of all, NOAA requires boats and anglers fishing for tuna, dolphin, marlin and other game fish to hold a Highly Migratory Species (HMS) permit. Licensed charter boats must hold an HMS permit, as well as the captain, mates and any anglers fishing a-board [sic] them. The boat's HMS permit does not cover everyone on board and each individual on

the boat, including the captain, mates and any anglers must have individual HMS permits."


This is simply incorrect. The HMS permit, which covers tuna, marlin, swordfish and sharks (not dolphin), is in fact a vessel permit. On the National Marine Fisheries Service website (www.nmfs.noaa.gov), under the Latest Recreational Fishing Compliance Guide, Section I. Permits, it states, "In order to fish recreationally for Atlantic HMS in federal waters, fishermen must have a valid federal fishing permit for their vessel. There are a variety of different permits available. The required permit will depend upon the species being fished for, what type of gear is being used, and how

recreational fishing activities are being conducted. There are three types of permits that can be used to recreationally fish for Atlantic HMS: HMS Angling, HMS Charter/Headboat, and Atlantic Tunas General category. Please note that only one type of recreational permit can be issued to a vessel. Once a vessel is issued a recreational HMS permit, all passengers may recreationally fish for Atlantic HMS species." I underlined the last sentence for emphasis. To reiterate, all boats, but not all individual anglers, must have an HMS permit. Private boats need an HMS Angling category permit, while charter boats get an HMS Charter/Headboat permit. This is nothing new — it has been a requirement for years. When you weigh a bluefin tuna, shark or billfish at a tournament such as the White Marlin Open, you will have to fill out a Maryland "catch card", and the first thing you will probably be

asked for is your vessel's HMS number.

Now, back to the National Angler Registry, which is a whole different animal. Starting January 1, 2010, all anglers are required to register with NOAA before going fishing. The new registry will hopefully give a more accurate picture of the recreational anglers' impact on both the economy and the fisheries than the old MRFSS survey did. Technically called the MRIP (Marine Recreational Information Program), the registry is required of all anglers who do not live in a state with a saltwater license that automatically provides the necessary information that federal officials desire. This year, that includes Maryland. By next year, Maryland officials will probably have a saltwater license in place for the whole state that automatically registers anglers with the MRIP. To get your National Angler Registry card

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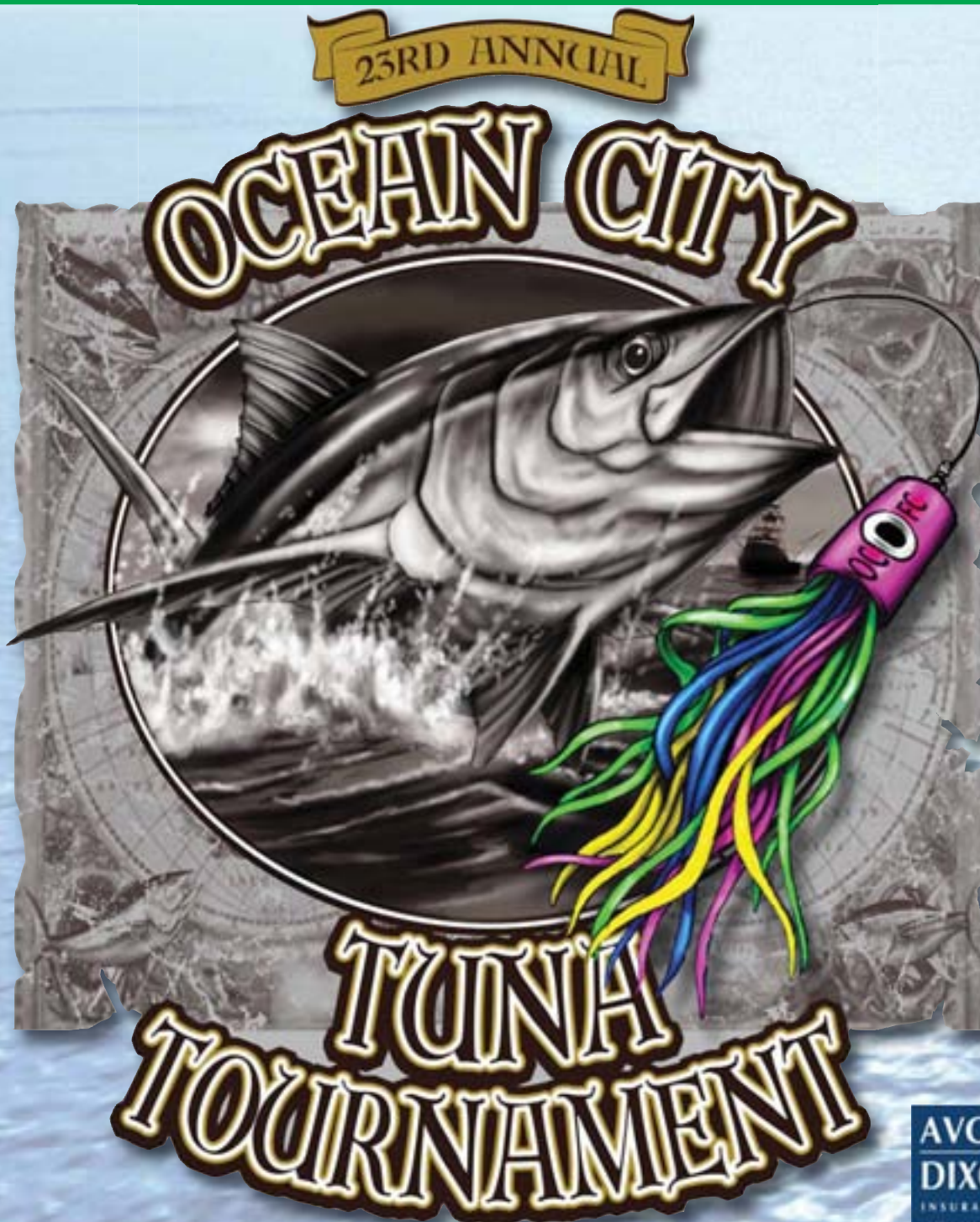




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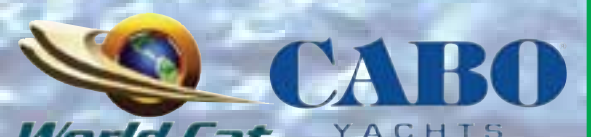


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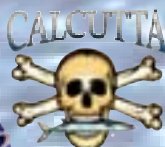
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Tony Fidyk from Davidsonville, MD boated this 32-inch striper during a trip aboard the "Get Sum" with Capt. Nick Clemente and Mate Tyler Hasenei. The linesider ate a live bunker at the South Jetty.



On Saturday, Kevin Miga from LaPlata, MD (right) had his good luck charm along, nephew Phillip Kitts, also from LaPlata, MD when he caught this 24-inch, 5 lb. 9 oz. flounder on a live minnow in the East Channel.

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Nicole Gray and Steve Ritz from Baltimore, MD and Bruce Cox from West Ocean City, MD caught some nice sea bass while fishing on the "Angler" with Capt. Chris Mizurak and Mates Dean Lo and Matt Temple. Steve reeled in the heaviest sea bass of the trip, a 3.5 pounder caught on squid at the Jackspot. Bruce's fish each weighed 3.5 lbs. while Nicole's tipped the scale at 2.5 lbs. Pictured at Capt. Bill Bunting's Angler Dock in downtown Ocean City.



On Thursday, Gary Powlus from Berwick, PA landed this 9 lb. 2 oz. flounder while fishing in the Indian River Inlet. Weighed at Oyster Bay Tackle.



Mike and Jennifer Preteroti of St. Clairsville, OH, Jim and Darlene Wendell from Waynesburg, PA and Raymond Bell of Canonsburg, PA ended their day with 2 bluefin tuna in the box after fishing on the "That's Right" with Capt. John Oughton and Mate Jason Genthner. The bluefins, measuring 42 and 54-inches, were caught on trolled ballyhoo in Massey's Canyon. Pictured at Fisherman's Marina in West Ocean City.

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this year, if you haven't already, simply go online to www.countmyfish.noaa.gov or call 1-888-MRIP-411 (1-888-674-7411). The process is fairly simple and free (this year). Technically, all anglers need to register, and if you are fishing any tournaments, you better make darn sure you do...



After I wrote a paragraph last week about the Triple Surgeon's Knot and connecting a shocker or bite leader with the Bristol knot, I received a new issue of "Sport Fishing" magazine. They invited readers to submit knots they use for basically the same thing—joining a leader to braid using a double line loop and another connection. The knots were tested, and the reassuring thing was that most of the strongest connections also used a Bristol or an Improved Bristol knot. For the double line loop, however, most still preferred a Bimini

(in braid, the editors recommend a 12-turn Bimini rather than the traditional 20 turns), and if I were fishing for blue marlin or big tuna, I probably would agree...



Last week I was asked what I would pick if I had to choose just one lure for inshore fishing. This is not a new question, and it has been kicked around plenty of times before, but it's still tough to answer. Even though it leaves out my favorite plug, the Mirr-O-Lure, and another old reliable, the Hopkins "metal," I guess my answer, however, would have to be the bucktail jig, known around here as just a "bucktail." In this age of super realistic lures that catch a lot of us fishermen, the bucktail doesn't really look like anything in nature, except for maybe a passing resemblance to a squid or small baitfish. It also doesn't have any natural action, and the angler is required to

provide all the action with his or her rod tip and retrieve speed. All a bucktail does is consistently catch fish. It comes in a variety of sizes, from an eighth ounce up to more than six ounces, and it can be used for everything from flounder to bull dolphin, especially with a wide variety of "trailers" that are used, including strips of "meat" such as squid or fish belly and enticing plastics such as curl tail grubs or the latest Gulp! products. Bucktails also come with several different head shapes. One of the first lures I ever bought was probably an old "shark face" jig with a green plastic skirt. There is one head called the "boxing glove"; another is the "lima bean". I kind of like the plain round head as well as the new "minnow" style, exemplified by the Spro series of jigs. A thinly shaped head, such as the lima bean, will slice through the water and sink faster than a round head, for instance. When I was much

younger, many local anglers favored jigs made by a local angler, "Baltimore George" Richter. I once wrote a feature article on this gentleman, who used a plasticized paint and heated the jig heads as many as four times in the oven, which made the paint like a hard rubber that was very resistant to chipping on the jetty rocks. I still have my little stash of "Baltimore George" bucktails, but I hesitate to use them, and they'll probably still be there when I die. George made one version with a yellow head and yellow hair, which, tipped with a strip of pork rind, was my favorite for catching the big weakfish (gray trout) many years ago, especially at night on the North Jetty. I don't think anyone can actually teach you to use a jig. You have to develop a feel for the lure through practice, whether you are bouncing it along the bottom for flounder or retrieving it in a strong current around bridge pilings.



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Sometimes it works best with no action and a very slow retrieve. Other times you need to burn it. Once you learn to fish a bucktail jig, however, you can always feel pretty confident if there are fish around. In fact, I think I could go to fisherman's heaven with a couple of "Baltimore Georges" in my pocket and hang with the best of 'em...




Hard to believe, but this weekend kicks off the 23rd Annual Ocean City Tuna Tournament at the Ocean City Fishing Center. Good luck and fair seas to all of the anglers and crews who are fishing. I'll be at the weigh station helping out weighmaster Capt. Jack Kaeufer and my other partner in crime, Dave "Gulp" McKay. Hope to see you on the dock...



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On Saturday, the flounder were really snapping for the anglers on the "Get Sum", who returned with 9 keepers in the box and a bunch of releases. Fishing with Capt. Nick Clemente and Mate Tyler Hasenei were Bill Dees from Annapolis, MD, Glenn Miller from Forest Hill, MD, Rob Sasko from Bowie, MD and Eddie Velasquez from Frederick, MD. The fish, ranging from 19 to 22-inches, were caught on squid and shiners and Gulp! Swimming Mullet in the West Channel. Pictured at the Ocean City Fishing Center.





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Ocean City Fishing Report

by Larry Jock



ANNOUNCEMENT

As a result of the change in bluefin regulations this year, allowing recreational anglers only 1 bluefin per trip measuring between 27" and 59", the Ocean City Tuna Tournament has announced the following changes:

1. Lines in at 7:00 am... lines out at 3:00 pm
2. Boats will only be allowed to weigh 1 bluefin tuna measuring 27" to less than 59" each day.
3. Only bigeye and yellowfin tuna will count in the big money, Added Entry Level "F", \$5,000 Pro Jackpot. Bluefins will not count.
4. Minimum weight for tuna will be 25 lbs.
5. Added Entry Level "G" will be a 50/50 charity split with 50% going to the single largest fish and the other 50% going to charity.

You could not have asked for nicer weather then we had in Ocean City this past Independence Day weekend. Offshore waters were bumpy, especially on Sunday, but anglers still threw some nice fish on the dock.

The Canyon Kick-Off was held on Friday, Saturday and



Why is one angler smiling and one isn't? It's probably because "Smiling" Jimmy Fields of Jupiter, FL landed the 2 largest flounder of the trip, while fishing with Harry Trimble from Berlin, MD. Jimmy's fish measured 23 and 24-inches and tipped the scales at 5 lbs. and 5 lbs. 9 oz. All 4 keepers were caught at the South Jetty on bucktails tipped with Gulp! artificial baits. Pictured at Ake Marine.

Sunday. On the first day, we saw mostly dolphin arrive at the scales with the "Sea Witch" weighing the only bluefin.

Saturday was a busy day, highlighted by the 106.6 lb. bluefin weighed by the "Jezebel". The bruiser was caught just south of the Hambone in 74-degree water.

Also weighed on Saturday was the 1st place dolphin, weighing 22 lbs., caught on the "Carol's Teakettle" in Massey's Canyon. The other highlight of the day was the "Cyntinory" releasing 3 white marlin in 500 fathoms, northeast of the Wilmington Canyon. Their 3 releases won the "Cyntinory" crew 1st place in the Billfish Division.

On Sunday, several changes were made to the leaderboard. The "Second Chance" landed an 81.8 lb. bluefin at the Hot Dog to win 2nd place in the Bluefin Division. The "Billfisher" weighed a 67.6 lb.

yellowfin, caught in the Spencer Canyon, and won 1st place in the Yellowfin Division. The last boat to hit the scales was the "Playmate", who arrived with a 62 lb. yellowfin, also caught in the Spencer Canyon, and won 3rd place in the Yellowfin Division. Both the "Lil' Man" and the "Reel Joy" each released 2 white marlin to win 2nd and 3rd place in the Billfish Release Division.

Overall, sixty boats competed for over \$45,000 in prize money with some quality fish being weighed. Kudos to Amanda, Mark and Sharon from the Marlin Club and Brian Tinkler from Sunset Marina for a well run tournament.

Bluefin Tuna

We saw bluefins being caught all week from boats running out to the triangle made up of the Twin Wrecks, Massey's Canyon and the Hambone. The "Jezebel" weighed the largest of the week (59-inches, 106.6 lbs.), but several other bluefins over 50-inches were also landed. On Saturday, "The Zipper" returned with a 52-incher caught at the Fingers.

Most of the bluefins were caught on trolled ballyhoo with some hooked on trolled green machines.

Dolphin

A load of dolphin hit the scales during the past week, and especially over the weekend. With the warm weather we have been having, ocean temperatures have risen, resulting in dolphin being hooked as close as 5 miles off the beach. Heck, even an angler on the headboat,

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"Morning Star" hooked a mahi at the Great Eastern Reef early in the week.

Nearly all of the dolphin were caught by anglers targeting tuna. Catches were recorded at the Sausages, Massey's Canyon, Poor Man's Canyon, Chicken Bone and the Wilmington Canyon. I think you get the idea. Dolphin are spread all over our waters and are there for the catchin'.

Yellowfin Tuna

We saw some excellent catches of yellowfin tuna over the weekend. Saturday was the big day with the "Canyon Hunter" returning with 4 yellowfins (35-51 lbs.) from the Poor Man's Canyon. "Billfisher" weighed a 54 pounder, caught in the Spencer Canyon. "Cyntinory" caught 2 yellowfins (45.2 & 49 lbs.) in the Wilmington Canyon. "Second Chance" weighed 6 yellowfins caught around the Hot Dog and the "Crush Em" boxed 5 yellowfins from deep outside the Wilmington Canyon.

On Sunday, the best yellowfin catch we saw was the "Billfisher", returning from the Spencer Canyon with 5 in the box weighing between 49 lbs. and 67.6 lbs. The "Lil' Man" ended their day with 3 yellowfin caught in the Wilmington Canyon.

White Marlin

Most of the white marlin action was in the northern canyons where the "Reel Joy", "Cyntinory" and the "Lil' Man" each released 3 whites around the Wilmington Canyon, and the "Billfisher" released two in the Spencer Canyon. On Sunday, the "Keep Er Wet" returned from an overnight trip with a white marlin and a blue marlin release in the Wilmington Canyon. In addition to keeping a mako and 5 dolphin, they released 4 makos, 2 hammerhead sharks and 3 blue sharks during the trip.

Striped Bass

The striper bite around the South Jetty is definitely not as

hot as it was a few weeks ago but anglers are still able to pick at a few while using live spot, peeler crabs, Storm lures and bucktails tipped with Gulp! artificial baits.

Flounder

We saw a lot of flounder this week, highlighted by the "Get Sum" returning with 9 keepers from their afternoon trip. The fish were caught north of the Rt. 50 Bridge in the West Channel. The "Bay Bee" also returned with some nice catches from the bay behind Assateague Island.

The largest flounders we saw this week were the twin 5 lb. 9 oz. flatties caught by Kevin Miga in the East Channel and Jimmy Fields on the outside of the South Jetty. Most of the keepers range in size from 19-inches to 22-inches.

Anglers fishing with live spot, minnows, squid and shiners are doing well, but we have seen a definite increase in the number of flounder being caught on Gulp! artificial baits, especially the Swimming

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Mullet. Chartreuse seems to be the hot color right now.

Sea Bass

We didn't see a lot of sea bass come in this week except from anglers fishing on the "Morning Star" and the "Angler". Captains Monty Hawkins and Chris Mizurak have been having luck at the Great Eastern Reef in addition to other ocean wrecks and reefs. Squid and clams have been the baits of choice when fishing for knotheads.

Upcoming Tournament

The Ocean City Tuna Tournament will be held at the Ocean City Fishing Center from Friday through Sunday. This is always one of the top tournaments of the year with exciting action at the scales. Weigh-ins are from 4:00 to 7:30 each day.

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Dave and Skip Twardowski, Michael and Christian Szczerba and Bob Chandlee teamed up to catch 3 yellowfin tuna and a mako shark while fishing on the “Mega-Bite” with Capt. Tom Murphy in the Poor Man’s Canyon. Pictured at Hook’em & Cook’em.



The first sheephead checked in at Lewes Harbour Marina was caught by Herbie Shorthose while fishing with sand fleas at the Ice Breakers. The fish tipped the scales at 7 lbs. 15 oz.

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Debbie Grindstaff from Lavonia, GA caught a 21-inch flounder while her fishing partner, Kathy Poole, also from Lavonia, GA landed a 19.5-incher while fishing with minnows and flounder belly off the Rt. 50 Bridge.



Barbara and Steve DiToto from Bowie, MD were fishing on "The Zipper" with Capt. Ed Zajdel and Mate Ronnie Zajdel when Barbara captured this 52-inch bluefin tuna and Steve caught a bull dolphin, both on trolled ballyhoo at the Fingers. Pictured at Sunset Marina.



Gil Simon from Hampstead, MD caught these 15-inch tautog while fishing with sand fleas on the outside of the South Jetty. Photo courtesy of Oyster Bay Tackle.

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The flounder were snapping on Saturday and anglers on the "Bay Bee" were there to take advantage of it. Joe Mimm from Philadelphia, PA, Jessica Slike from Ellicott City, MD, John Slike from Parkville, MD and Ty Hubicki from Quakertown, PA brought back 5 keeper flounder and a tautog while fishing with Capt. Bob Gower and Mate Tyler Adkins in the East Channel. John landed the largest flounder of the trip, measuring 20.5-inches. All of the fish were caught on squid and shiners. Pictured at the Ocean City Fishing Center.

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Driftin' Easy

by Sue Foster



You have a little boat and you go out there flounder fishing every day. Sometimes you feel like doing something different! We did exactly that the other day. We grabbed a

crab net, a couple packs of chicken necks, a half dozen crab throw lines and decided to do a little "chicken necking" for blue crabs.

The most important thing to know about blue crabs is that the larger male crabs run close to the green marshes in 4 to 8 feet of water in the bays far away from the Rt. 50 Bridge. You can anchor up from north of the Thorofare in the West Channel to up past the Rt. 90 Bridge. You can venture into Herring Creek or crab close to the green marshes, north of the Rt. 90 Bridge. The ADC map of Ocean City actually circles this area as "crabbing." A creek area where the water is slightly brackish is always good. In the East Channel you can crab anywhere north of 33rd Street.

In the bay behind Assateague, anywhere by the green marshes going south past the Airport all the way to past the Verrazano Bridge and around by South Point or into Ayres Creek (if you live back there) is good. Stop and try a location. If nothing happens in 15-20 minutes, try another one.

Female crabs tend to be in running water closer to the inlet. If you are only catching female crabs you are crabbing in water that is too deep, too sandy a bottom, or too close to the inlet. This year, in 2010, crabbers in the coastal bays ARE allowed to keep a mature female crab as long as it is not egg bearing. To me, male crabs are much, much better to eat!

Anyway, we anchored up our little boat, unraveled half the 25 feet of line off the crab throw lines which are a wire triangle with a molded weight attached. We half-hitched the line around the wire triangle where we wanted it to stop.

(The whole 25-feet of line is just too much if you are crabbing in only 4 or 5 feet of water!) Then we pierced on a couple chicken necks on the wire triangles. It's like using a giant safety pin. I noticed my husband was piercing them long ways so they didn't dangle off the triangle and he was catching more crabs!



We let the lines sit for 4 or 5 minutes and started slowly pulling them up. When the line was REALLY heavy, we knew we had a big, rusty jimmy crab (male crab) and had to get the net. We did screw up a couple time and hit the crab with the rim of the net and scared it away. We were trying to reach too far with the net. You need to get the net close to the line and under the crab without hitting it with the rim. If you have a real little boat with a lot of stuff in it, sometimes it's easier to net the crab yourself! We were playing around in Herring Creek, where you need a little boat because the water was very "skinny" (shallow). My husband could see the water was 3 feet here, and 3 feet there, and then would see a little hole where the water got to 4 or 5 feet and this is where he would anchor the boat and we would do the best.



We saw some people crabbing under the Herring Creek Bridge and they were doing pretty good as well. They had traps which gives you a better chance to catch more crabs. There's no legal parking at the bridge anymore, so if you crab there, you need to get someone to

drop you off. The Bridge is located just past Ocean City Floor Gallery if you are heading west.

When we were driving our little boat around after launching it at Gum Point Road, we noticed someone had put a line of crab traps out on buoys. This is a legal way to crab also. Crabbers are allowed 25 collapsible traps per boat if two crabbers are in the boat. (10 per person if crabbing from the shore.) You can also use a trotline, up to 600 feet, which are legal in the Coastal Bays in 2010. If you do either of these things, you want to be far away from boat traffic and fishermen!



I am known to write about being prepared, but in reality, I'm not always so prepared! The one thing I forgot to grab at my store was a pair of crab tongs to grab the crabs. We used some variety of kitchen tongs and they worked OK, but sometimes the crabs slipped away from us! If we netted a questionable crab, we would drop it in the bottom of the boat and then my husband would pick it up with the tongs and lay it against the ruler of the cooler and see if it was 5-inches tip to tip. (A crab caliber would have been better to have!)

If the crab was legal we put it in the cooler. I had the cooler prepared with a bag of ice spread out on the bottom of the cooler. Then I spread a wet newspaper (sorry Larry, it was an old Coastal Fisherman!) over the ice. The crabs would stay cool, but not fall in the icy water which would kill them. We made sure the crabs were dark side up. Upside down will stress them out.

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them home to cook. Most people put the crabs in a steamer pot with some water and a little vinegar in the bottom, sprinkle them with Old Bay, and steam them for 25 minutes. We have discovered in Virginia a different way that you may want to try. We clean the crabs first. Take off the shell, apron, dead man's fingers and eye balls. You can stab them at the point of the apron to kill them first. Hose out the entrails, and then steam them cleaned! If you cook them this way, you must do it immediately after cleaning the crabs or they will get mushy. We sprinkled the layers with Old Bay and black pepper and steamed them about 20 minutes once the water got to a rolling boil. The neat part is that it's less messy when you eat them, and the spice gets right on the crab meat. Left over crabs will last longer in the refrigerator. Hint: Either way, when the crabs are done, take off the lid so they can breathe. Then dump them out on newspaper (sorry Larry!) and let them sit 5-10 minutes before eating them!

Good crabbing....

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

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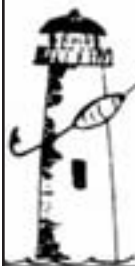
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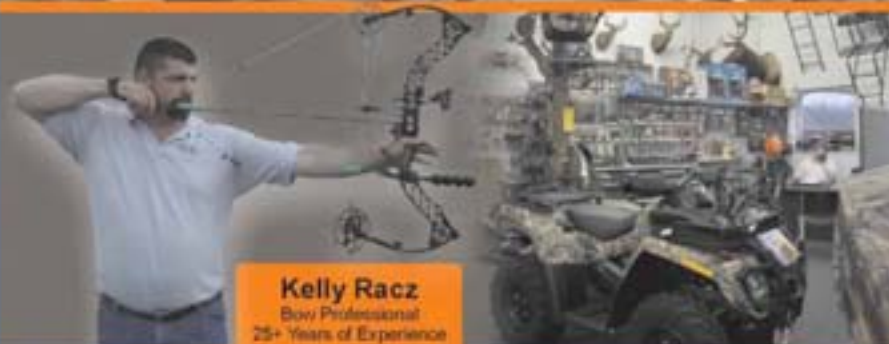
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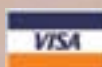


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- 1 tsp. salt
- 1 tsp. pepper
- 4 tuna fillets

Sauce:

- 3 TBSP. lime juice
- 3 TBSP. olive oil
- 2 TBSP. water
- 2 tsp. red wine vinegar
- 1/2 cup fresh cilantro
- 1 shallot, peeled
- 1 TBSP. capers, drained
- 1 1/2 tsp. chopped, seeded
jalapeño pepper
- 2 garlic cloves, peeled and
halved
- 1/4 tsp. pepper

In a small food processor, combine the first six ingredients, cover and process until blended.

Pour into a large resealable plastic bag.

Add the fillets; seal bag and turn to coat.

Refrigerate for 30 minutes.

Coat grill rack with cooking spray before starting the grill.

Drain and discard marinade.

Grill fillets, covered, over medium heat for 3 to 5 minutes on each side or until fish flakes easily with a fork.

Meanwhile, combine sauce ingredients in a small food processor.

Cover and process until blended. Serve with fish.

Serves 4.

Cajun Flounder and Remoulade

- 1/2 cup mayonnaise
- 1 TBSP. capers, drained and
chopped
- 1 1/2 tsp. spicy brown
mustard

- 1 tsp. cider vinegar
- 1/4 tsp. hot sauce
- 4 flounder fillets
- 2 tsp. Cajun seasoning
- 1 lemon, thinly sliced
- Brown rice, cook as directed
on package

In a small bowl, mix together the first five ingredients.

Cover and refrigerate remoulade.

Heat oven to 450 degrees.

Coat a 13x9x2 baking dish with nonstick cooking spray.

Place one fish fillet in prepared dish and sprinkle with 1/4 tsp. of the seasoning.

Flip one long end over the other like a book.

Sprinkle another 1/4 tsp. of seasoning over top of fillet.

Repeat with remaining fillets. Top each with a slice of lemon.

Bake for 18 to 20 minutes.

Serve with the sauce and the brown rice, if desired.

Serves 4.

Tuna-Pasta Salad

- 1 lb. medium shell pasta
- 1 cup mayonnaise
- 1/2 onion, chopped fine
- 2 ribs celery, sliced very thin
- 1 carrot, chopped fine
- Salt and pepper, to taste
- 2 cups cooked tuna
- Cooked pasta, cooled

Cook pasta and cool in cold water. Drain well.

In a large bowl, mix remaining ingredients together.

Refrigerate, serve when cold.

Serves 4.

Flounder with Lemon-Parsley Relish

- 1 lemon
- 1/4 cup chopped fresh
parsley
- 2 1/2 TBSP. extra-virgin
olive oil
- 2 tsp. rinsed and chopped
capers
- Salt and pepper
- 1 shallot, thinly sliced
- 2 bags baby spinach
- 8 thin flounder fillets
- 1/2 cup dry white wine

Cut off top and bottom of lemon, then slice away peel and white pith exposing the segments. Cut out segments and chop; transfer to a small bowl.

Squeeze juice from membranes into same bowl.

Stir in parsley, 1 1/2 TBSP. oil and the capers.

Season with salt and pepper.

In a large skillet, heat 1 TBSP. of oil over medium-high heat.

Add shallot and cook until softened.

Gradually add the spinach; cook and toss until just wilted.

Season with salt and pepper. Transfer to a bowl and keep warm.

Wipe skillet clean.

Season fish with salt and pepper.

Fold each fillet into thirds.

Place fish in the skillet and pour in wine; bring to a boil over high.

Cover, reduce heat to low and cook until fish is just opaque, 4 to 6 minutes.

Serve with lemon-parsley relish and spinach.

Serves 4.

Coconut-Mango Mahi Mahi

- 1/2 cup flour
- 2 eggs, beaten
- 1 cup panko bread crumbs
- 1 cup flaked coconut
- 6 mahi mahi fillets
- 2 TBSP. peanut or canola oil
- 2 medium mangoes, peeled
and cubed
- 1/4 cup white wine or
chicken broth
- 2 TBSP. brown sugar
- 2 garlic cloves, halved
- 1 tsp. finely crystallized
ginger
- 1 tsp. soy sauce
- 1/8 tsp. pepper
- 2 TBSP. minced fresh basil

Place flour and eggs in separate shallow bowls.

In another shallow bowl, combine panko bread crumbs and coconut.

Dip fillets in the flour, eggs, then bread crumbs mixture.

In a large skillet over medium heat, cook fish in oil for 4-5 minutes on each side or until golden brown on the outside and fish just turns opaque in the center.

Meanwhile, in a food processor, combine the mangoes, wine, brown sugar, garlic, ginger, soy sauce and pepper; cover and process until blended. Stir in basil.

Serve with fish.

Serves 6.



Brian and Teresa Eder, Jason Williams, Matt Cairns and Don Thomas caught 3 yellowfin tuna and recorded a white marlin release while fishing on the "Marli" with Capt. Mark Hoos, Jr. and Mate Eric Strauss. Jason's white marlin release and the yellowfins were hooked in 500 fathoms outside the Baltimore Canyon. The white marlin ate a trolled ballyhoo while the yellowfins were tricked with trolled ballyhoo and spreader bars. Pictured at Sunset Marina.



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Gene Davis from Sarasota, FL caught this 38-inch striped bass while fishing on the "Skip's Charters & Guide Service" with Tim Davis from Osprey, FL, Capt. Skip Maguire and Mate Anthony Cannuli. The fish was caught on live spot at the South Jetty where the duo released another 15 stripers during the trip.



Mike Miller from Fawn Grove, PA boated this 87 lb. bluefin tuna and an 11 lb. dolphin while trolling ballyhoo at the Driftwood, located between Massey's Canyon and the Hambone. Mike was fishing on the "Hammertime" with his dad, Marty Miller and Tom Kovalchick.

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On the second day of the Canyon Kick-Off, Pat McAteer, Dennis Rehmann and Brian Rossi each released a white marlin and held on to win 1st place in the Billfish Release Division. The anglers were fishing on the "Cyntinory" with Val Lynch, Kevin Clark, Randy Newcomer, Capt. Rick Carney and Mates Chad DiFebo and Rob Velcher. The fish, along with 2 yellowfin tuna, were hooked in 500 fathoms, northeast of the Wilmington Canyon. The "Cyntinory" crew earned \$14,400 for their 3 white marlin releases. Pictured at Sunset Marina in West Ocean City.



Angler Michael Colaiani fought this 81.8 lb. bluefin for over an hour on the final day of the Canyon Kick-off and won 2nd place in the Bluefin Division for himself and the crew on the "Second Chance". The big bluefin was caught on a trolled ballyhoo at the Hot Dog while fishing on the "Second Chance" with Joe Herring, Jr., Joe Deinlein, Matt Haynes, Roddy Kibbler, Capt. Joe Herring and Mate Bob Ahearn. On the first day of the tournament, Joe Herring, Jr. boated a 63.8 lb. yellowfin to win 2nd place in the Yellowfin Division. The "Second Chance" crew walked away with \$2,395 in award money for their 2nd place finishes.

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On the second day of the 28th Annual Canyon Kick-Off, Tom Brinker of Selbyville, DE boated this 22 lb. dolphin while fishing on "Carol's Teakettle" with his son, Tim Brinker of Selbyville, DE and his daughter, Christy Drummond of Frankford, DE. The mahi-mahi was caught on a Squidnation Rasta Daisy Chain in Massey's Canyon and was good enough to earn 1st place honors in the Dolphin Division. Tom's catch earned the crew \$1,050 in award money. Pictured at Sunset Marina.



On the final day of the 28th Annual Canyon Kick-Off, John Wolf of Eldersburg, MD caught a 67.6 lb. yellowfin tuna to win 1st place in the Yellowfin Division. John's fish was one of 5 yellowfins caught this day by anglers Dennis King of Annapolis, MD and Dan Gough from Glenwood, MD while fishing on the "Billfisher" with Capt. Jon Duffie and Mate John Prather. The yellowfins and a released white marlin were all hooked on trolled ballyhoo in the Spencer Canyon and the 1st place tuna won the crew \$12,390 in award money. Pictured at Sunset Marina.



The crew on the "Lil' Man" won 2nd place honors in the Billfish Release Division of the Canyon Kick-off held over the weekend. Dirk Dayton, A.J. McDevitt and Steve Dayton teamed up to release 1 white marlin on Saturday and another 2 on Sunday while trolling ballyhoo in the Wilmington Canyon where they also caught 3 yellowfin tuna. The anglers were fishing with Capt. Eric Blanks and Mate Wayne Blanks and lost 1st place on a tiebreaker. Their 2nd place finish earned the crew \$2,160 in award money. Pictured in their slip at Sunset Marina.

28th Annual Canyon Kick-Off

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<p>BILLFISH RELEASE DIVISION</p> <p>1st Place "Cyntinory" 3 white marlin released Last fish released at 2:37 pm - Day 1 \$14,400</p> <p>2nd Place "Lil' Man" 3 white marlin released Last fish released at 2:01 pm - Day 2 \$2,160</p> <p>3rd Place "Reel Joy" 3 white marlin released Last fish released at 3:05 - Day 2 \$1,440</p>	<p>DOLPHIN DIVISION</p> <p>1st Place Tom Brinker "Carol's Teakettle" 22.0 lbs. \$1,050</p> <p>2nd Place Don Clauson "Nontypical" 20.0 lbs. \$0</p> <p>3rd Place Ed Balcerzak "Reel Pleasure" 19.6 lbs. \$1,575</p>	<p>WAHOO DIVISION None Weighed</p>	<p>YELLOWFIN DIVISION</p> <p>1st Place John Wolf "Billfisher" 67.6 lbs. \$12,390</p> <p>2nd Place Joe Herring, Jr. "Second Chance" 63.8 lbs. Winnings included in bluefin amount</p> <p>3rd Place Jack Shandrowski "Playmate" 62.0 lbs. \$1,596</p>	<p>BLUEFIN DIVISION (winner take all)</p> <p>1st Place Shane Mitchell "Jezebel" 106.6 lbs. \$2,210</p> <p>2nd Place Michael Colaianni "Second Chance" 81.8 lbs. \$2,395</p> <p>3rd Place Mike Spillane "Sea Witch" 66.0 lbs. \$945</p>
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60 Boats Registered

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On the second day of the Canyon Kick-Off, the crew of the "Nontypical" showed that they can catch more than sharks, landing these two dolphin weighing 20.0 lbs. and 15.4 lbs. The 20 pounder was good enough to earn angler Don Clauson of Leesburg, VA (center) and the crew 2nd place in the Dolphin Division. Fishing with Don was Jim Hughes of Ocean City, MD, Jimmy Fields of Jupiter, FL and Capt. Terry Layton. Since they weren't entered in the dolphin added entry level, no money was won for their 2nd place finish. Weighed at Sunset Marina.



Kelly Freburger, Samantha Florich (not pictured) and Ryan Ellerman each released a white marlin during the Canyon Kick-off and won 3rd place in the Billfish Division. The anglers were fishing with Gary Beach, Jeanette Beatley, Ed Ellerman, Capt. Dale Gurgo and Mate Andy Helms on the "Reel Joy" and hooked their fish on trolled ballyhoo in the Wilmington Canyon. The crew lost 1st and 2nd place on a tiebreaker but still took home \$1,440 in award money for their 3rd place finish. Pictured in the slip at Sunset Marina.

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On the second day of the 28th Annual Canyon-Kick-Off, Ed Balcerzak of West Ocean City, MD (left) boated a 19.6 lb. dolphin and held on to win 3rd place in the Dolphin Division. The dolphin was hooked in 50 fathoms, north of the Washington Canyon while fishing on the "Reel Pleasure" with Lou Schultheis of Ocean Pines, MD. The duo earned \$1,575 for their 3rd place finish. Weighed at Sunset Marina.



Mike Spillane caught this 66 lb. bluefin tuna on opening day of the Canyon Kick-Off and held on to win 3rd place in the Bluefin Division. Mike was fishing on the "Sea Witch" with Zeke and Jordan Spillane, Tony Brazell, Capt. Tim Mullray and Mate Barron Pritt. The crew earned \$945 for their catch. Weighed at Sunset Marina.



Jack Shandrowski of Falston, MD boated this 62 lb. yellowfin on the final day of the 28th Annual Canyon Kick-Off to win 3rd place in the Yellowfin Division. Jack was fishing with his son, Jeremy Shandrowski, Capt. Willie Zimmerman and Mate Justin Hart on the "Playmate" and hooked the fish in 300 fathoms in the Spencer Canyon. The crew took home \$1,596 in award money for their 3rd place finish. Pictured at Sunset Marina.

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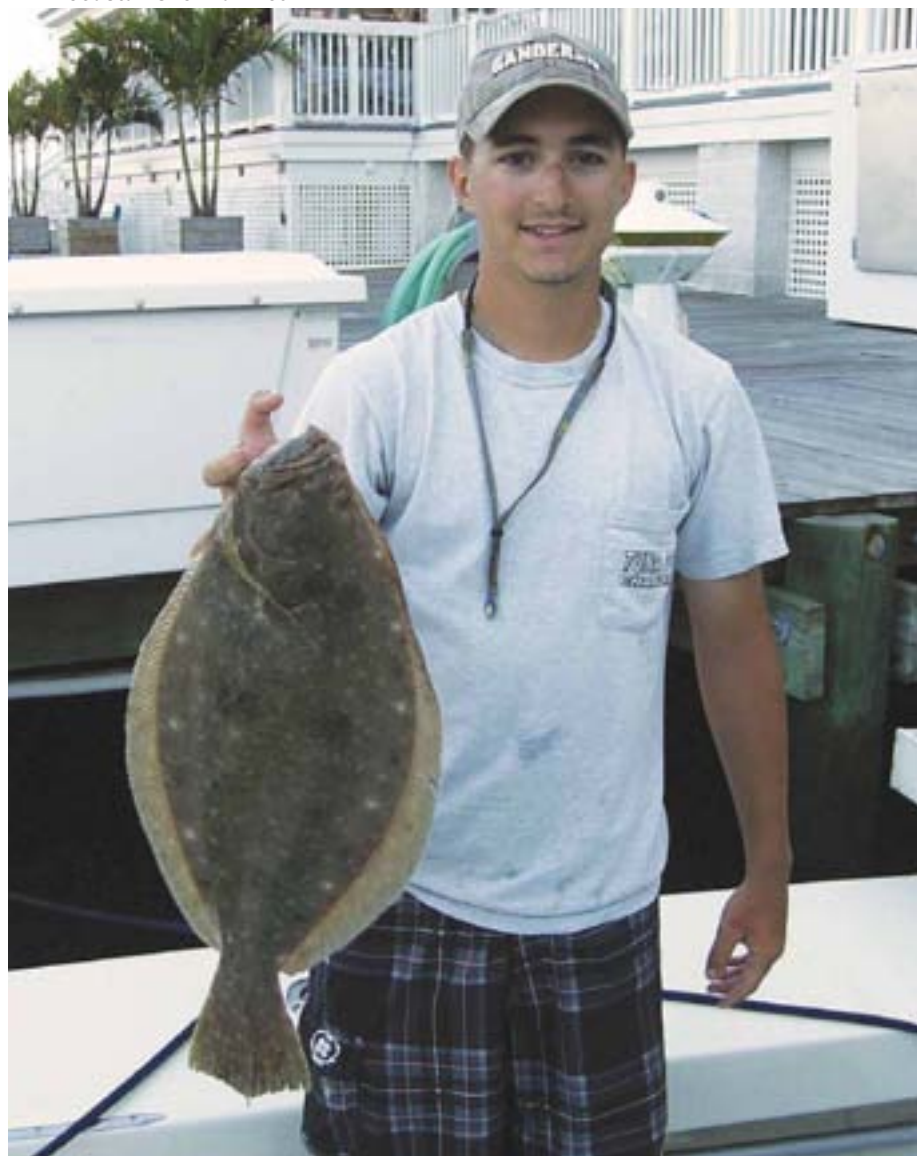
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Joe Nolan from Stuart, FL along with Greg Steen and Tommy Fowler from Berlin, MD caught a smorgasbord of fish at Russell's Reef on Saturday while fishing on the "Magic". The anglers returned with flounder, cod, dolphin and sea bass, all caught on flounder belly. Pictured at the Talbot Street Pier.

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Logan Pusey hooked into this 49.75-inch bluefin tuna while fishing on the "Topless" with Capt. Perry Romig and Mate Kyle Kraybill. The bluefin ate a trolled ballyhoo skirted with a blue and white Ilander at the 26 Mile Hill south of Wachapreague Inlet.



Bailey Harrison used a minnow to fool this 3 lb. 2 oz. triggerfish while fishing from the Cape Henlopen Pier. Weighed at Lewes Harbour Marina.

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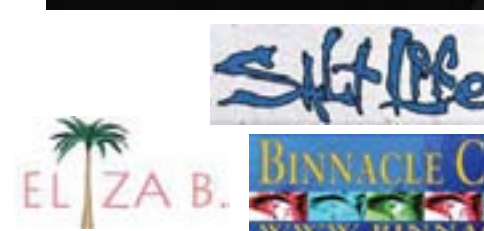
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Delaware Fishing Report

by Rick Willman



Hi folks! I hope everyone had a great Holiday weekend! The waters had a makeover, at least for the weekend. The surface was painted with boats of all sizes, styles, and colors. There was a whole lot of fishing going on, but it seems there was not nearly enough catching going on.

We had a few flatties brought in to be weighed, but just not the numbers we all would hope for. Maybe the amount of boat traffic really put a damper on things. For those folks scoring some flounder, the preferred baits continued to be a minnow/squid combo, frozen shiners, Gulp! and smelt.

If you are fishing the Gulp!, you may want to try threading the bait onto a jighead and bouncing it off the bottom. You can also use a bucktail jig to accomplish this. I think some of the best advice I could give is to



Sometimes it's better to be lucky than good as shown by the 8 lb. 13 oz. flounder caught by first time fisherman, Terry Stough from York, PA. Terry hooked the big flattie on a 6-inch pearl Storm lure in the Indian River Inlet and weighed his catch at Hook'em & Cook'em in the Indian River Marina.

find a drop-off or slough where there is little or no boat traffic and give that area an honest try. The fish seem to be really scattered about in the Rehoboth and Indian River Bays.

Bluefish continue to invade the Inlet and back bays. If you see the birds working, try to get as close to the area as possible without going into the school of fish. Throw a shiny spoon or a small bucktail, with or without meat, and you should be in for some fun times.

Ocean fishing has also been a bit slow as the tog have not realized the season is open again and they are supposed to be eating green crabs and sand fleas. Guys anchoring up on structure are reporting some light bites and a few tog, but not the activity expected. Sea bass and flounder action has been best between the DB Buoy and DA Buoy, with the better being near DA Buoy.

Offshore action has been full of hit or miss tuna activity at

Massey's Canyon and the Hambone, Hot Dog and Sausages areas. Yellowfin action has been in the Poor Man's and Baltimore Canyons. Dolphin have been picked up at all locations, including a few being trolled up just east of the Delaware Lightship.

A few of the week's weigh-ins included Shane Weist and his dad, Bill, trolling the Hambone to quickly score a 57 lb. bluefin on the "Five4Fighting". John Faren scored a 9 lb. 4 oz. flattie while drifting the Old Grounds. Mike Smith fooled a 4 lb. 12 oz. flounder in the Indian River Inlet using Gulp!. David Moses fished the surf at 3R's Road early in the morning to score some flounder and bluefish. Richard Cordy scored a 5 lb. 9 oz. flattie fishing the Old Grounds. Ron Hildenbrand nailed a 3 lb. 8 oz. flounder from the back bay. Lori Nickler tricked a 2 lb. 13 oz. flattie. Jack Steward fished Massey's Landing to score an 8

lb. 9 oz. bluefish on a Rick's Chicken/minnow combo.

On the boat "Black Dog", Tony Dambro and Bill Kommer trolled the Hot Dog to score dolphin weighing up to 20 lbs.

Time is running out to get signed up for the Rick's Bait & Tackle/Sea Side Gas & Grill Inshore Tournament. The contest runs from July 17 through July 24 at 4:00 PM. The tournament includes flounder, bluefish, sea bass and croaker. A prize of \$200 is awarded to the heaviest fish in each category. The entry fee is \$25 per person and deadline is 10 PM on July 16th. On the evening of July 24th, when prizes are awarded, we will have a blast as the well-known blues band, "Pork Roll Project" will be performing at Sea Side Gas & Grill. Don't miss out on all the fun!

From Bill's Sport Shop in Lewes, we heard that Tom Flickenger fished east of the Hot Dog and went 4 for 7 on sharks. The party kept a 110 lb. mako, and released 2 hammerheads and a thresher. Tim King was fishing the back bay of the Indian River and caught 3 keeper flounder up to 5 lbs. on minnows. Chuck Nagle caught 3 flounder up to 20-inches at Massey's Landing on a Gulp! Natural Eel. Tom Bailor, with his brother Frank and son Mike, caught their limit of 2 bushels of nice fat crabs using a trot line with chicken necks near Gull Point, where crabbing is excellent!

Walt and Sharon Donaldson fished an artificial reef at Site #11 on their boat, the "No Rulez". Using clams for bait, they caught some nice keeper size black sea bass. Dawn Olah and Brian Palmer from Baltimore fished the Cape Henlopen Pier with minnows and came away with 2 keeper flounder up to 22-inches with close to a dozen throwbacks. Steve Johnson from Lebanon, PA caught a 3.25 lb., 21-inch flounder at Cape Henlopen Pier using squid.

On Friday, Charlie Helmer of the "Tranquila" had a sea bass trip to Site 11 and caught fish pretty steadily with 6 keepers, along with a 22-inch flounder. On Saturday, the crew went to

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the Baltimore Canyon and found some life in 70 fathoms, on the East Wall of the notch. We caught a 50 lb. yellowfin, a 20 lb. dolphin, a 5 lb. dolphin and raised a white marlin. According to Charlie, fishing is heating up and should be a good year offshore.

Henlopen Bait & Tackle reported croaker and spot at the Henlopen State Park Pier. There were also croaker and flounder found in the Delaware Bay close to Lewes. Megan Jobs of Middletown, DE tricked a 7 lb. flattie to earn a citation.

Ron at Rattle & Reel Sporting Center on Long Neck Road informed us that the outer wall at Lewes in full of triggerfish. There are so many triggers that it's difficult to get your bait down to the tog. Flounder in the back bays are being caught using a minnow on a bucktail or jighead. You may also want to try tipping your jig with Gulp!

Capt. Joe Morris at Lewes Harbour Marina said that bluefins made a good showing during the week. A few boats found tuna mid-week along the inside edge of twenty fathoms from the 275 to 300 lines. Structure changes between that area and the South Paw also produced bluefins. By Saturday, there was quite a fleet working the fish. Boats on the grounds at daybreak had the best success, before traffic drove tuna down. Traditional trolled lures like cedar plugs and Green Machines accounted for numbers of bites, but when conditions permitted, ballyhoos skirted with heavy Jag lures and various other witches pulled way back tempted the biggest tuna. Drone spoons or ballyhoo towed behind a #32 planer got bit when tuna were deep.

When tuna move toward the bottom due to numerous boats driving overhead, or bright daylight, offers a good opportunity to jig for the fish. Tuna will respond with a reactive strike to Butterfly and other flutter-style jigs when they won't take a trolled offering close to the surface. Savvy skippers cruise the area with eyes on the depth finder looking for tuna marks in the lower part of the water

column. When fish are spotted, jigs are dropped to the proper depth, and often result in immediate hookups. Jigs can also be utilized to attract other bites while fighting fish hooked on the troll. Many times, there will be other tuna traveling with the one that ate a trolled bait, and pitching a jig when a fish is hooked trolling, may result in another hookup.

Dolphin were mixed in throughout the same area where bluefins were located. On Saturday, the guys on the "Port-A-Bella" returned with one bluefin and 3 mahi. "Jam-Man's" crew put a nice bluefin in the box. The group aboard the "Reel Tease" ended up with a 65 lb. bluefin and a 15 lb. dolphin on Saturday. The "Big Herring" brought in a 70-pounder.

Ocean bottom fishermen had success with flounder while drifting around the Old Grounds. Jigging Spro Bucktails or drifting strips of cut meat, such as mackerel, were effective. Eddy Corado checked in a 5.8 lb. flattie that he caught on the "Tranquilla". Angelo Delapo decked a citation winning 7.82 pounder at Reef Site 10. In the Delaware Bay, good numbers of flounder were located in the Cape May Channel, west of Prissy Wicks Shoal. The keeper-to-throwback ratio was pretty decent. Patrons aboard the "Angler" headboat kept nice fluke on Saturday's six-hour trip. Guys who know how to properly work the artificial structures in the bay pulled a few flatties from Reef Sites 5, 6, 7 and 8.

Flounder remain in the Lewes Canal and the shallow water along Lewes Beach. Anglers continue to sing the praises of Gulp! artificials for catching flounder. Berkley's claim that "Gulp! outfishes all other bait", just may be true. Joe Shaffer fished the pier at Massey's Landing on Saturday, where he scored a pair of legal fluke. One was a whopping 7.19 lb. doormat.

The summer tautog season opened on July 1st. Toggers told of good catches along the rocks of the Outer Wall and Ice Breakers, while using sand fleas and green crabs. Blackfish also

hung out on wrecks and reefs. Numerous triggerfish were mixed in with tog on hard bay structure. Sand fleas, shrimp and clams on small hooks tempted triggers. July 1st also marked the start of the slot season for striped bass, when rockfish between 20 and 26-inches may be kept from Delaware Bay and its tributaries. Slot rock were reported from the Lewes Canal by fishermen using pencil eels and clams around the drawbridge. Boaters casting RatLTraps and Bombers at the Ice Breakers landed linesiders during evening and nighttime tides. Spot and small croakers were hooked from the Cape Henlopen and Cape Shores piers by folks using bloodworms and Fishbites. Boats anchored west of the Star Site picked at a mix of spot, small croakers, kingfish and blowfish while baiting with bloodworms.

Until next week, have fun and be safe!

Rick and his wife Deb are owners of Rick's Bait & Tackle in Long Neck, DE.



Chris Brenne from Marshall's Creek, PA was drifting a live minnow in the Indian River when he hooked into this 19.75-inch flounder. Picture courtesy of Capt. Mac's High Performance Tackle in Fenwick Island, DE.

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Tautog 	February 2, 2010 Frank Graziano "Morning Star" 19 lbs. 10 oz.	April 27, 2010 Brian Osborne "Karen Sue" 10 lbs. 2 oz.	Thresher Shark 	June 4, 2010 Kevin Taylor Hot Dog 627.6 lbs.	June 11, 2010 Jay Richwine "Saltwater Cowboy" 560 lbs.
Striped Bass 	April 23, 2010 Tom Walker Assateague Surf 45 lbs. 4 oz.	May 7, 2010 Bill Winkler Indian River Inlet 42 lbs. 15 oz.	Cobia 	June 24, 2010 Juan Franzetti African Queen 61 lbs.	No Weights Reported
Weakfish 	No Weights Reported	June 6, 2010 Domenic Caputo Roosevelt Inlet 7 lbs. 2 oz.	Bluefin Tuna 	June 27, 2010 Charlie Totaro Hambone 117.8 lbs.	June 12, 2010 Steve Fleming Massey's Canyon 70.6 lbs.
Speckled Trout 	No Weights Reported	No Weights Reported	Yellowfin Tuna  	July 4, 2010 John Wolf "Billfisher" 67.6 lbs.	June 26, 2010 Larry Watson Linden Kohl Canyon 45 lbs.
Flounder 	June 13, 2010 Hunter Dortenzo East Channel 9 lbs. 11 oz.	April 15, 2010 Brian Wirts VFW Slough 11 lbs. 5 oz.	Longfin Tuna 	No Weights Reported	No Weights Reported
Bluefish 	June 5, 2010 Jeremiah Leader Inside Rockpile 14 lbs. 5 oz.	June 12, 2010 Kyle Falgowski Hot Dog 12 lbs. 6 oz.	Bigeye Tuna 	June 13, 2010 Ron Los, Jr. "Marli" 211 lbs.	June 26, 2010 Tony Burr Linden Kohl Canyon 170 lbs.
Sheepshead 	May 23, 2010 Dave Pasun Inshore Wreck 7 lbs. 8 oz.	 June 27, 2010 Herbie Shorthose Ice Breakers 7 lbs. 15 oz.	Dolphin 	June 25, 2010 Tyler Smith Washington Canyon 24 lbs.	June 26, 2010 Larry Wilson Washington Canyon 27.7 lbs.
Black Drum 	May 28, 2010 Maggie Magee Assateague Surf 22 lbs. 8 oz.	May 2, 2010 Lucas May Coral Beds 85 lbs. 8 oz.	Wahoo 	No Weights Reported	No Weights Reported

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Larry Heinsey from New Holland, PA, Mitch Heinsey from Lancaster, PA, Tony Joynes of Forest Hill, MD, Barbara and Tony Palmer from Laurel, DE and Jeff Arvig of Baltimore, MD had a great day fishing on the "Bay Bee" with Capt. Bob Gowar and Mate Spencer Cropper. The anglers had 6 keepers ranging in size from 19-inches up to 20.5-inches and were caught while drifting shiners and squid in the East Channel. Pictured at the Ocean City Fishing Center.

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Matt Crocco from Coatesville, PA and Gary Leslie of Thomdale, PA teamed up to catch 2 sea bass and a 5 lb. 4 oz. flounder while fishing near "DB" Buoy. The flattie was caught on cut mackerel and the sea bass was hooked on salted clam. Weighed at Hook'em & Cook'em in the Indian River Marina.



Julian Torres from Ewa Beach, HI landed his first tuna while fishing on the "Shark Tooth" with Jake Straw, Paul Torres, Zilca Torres, Capt. Kurt Howell and Mate Dillard Howell. The bluefin weighed 64.4 lbs. gutted and was caught on a trolled ballyhoo at the Sausages. The group also landed a dolphin during the trip. Weighed at Sunset Marina.

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Shannon Faust from Dalmatia, PA was drifting a live minnow in the West Channel when she hooked into this 21.5-inch, 2 lb. 11 oz. flounder. Pictured at the Ocean City Fishing Center.



Alexis Cathell, who is "almost" 10 years old, from Berlin, MD landed this 4 lb. tautog while fishing with green crabs at Winter Quarter Shoal. Alexis was fishing with her parents, Kathy and Phil Cathell and ended their day with another tog and a sea bass in the box. Pictured at Sunset Marina.

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As long as I can remember, I've had a love-hate relationship with cobia. I absolutely love to catch - and for that matter - eat them, but I also hate them for making me look and feel like a ranked "amateur" fisherman most of the times I cross paths with one or more of these crazy fish. Except maybe for the permit I pursue in south Florida each winter, no other species of fish treats me with such disrespect as the cobia, and I swear that sometimes I can even see a little smile on their brown mugs as they happily swim away from my boat after each frustrating engagement!

From now until we start to see a drop in water temperatures in September, many local anglers will have encounters with cobia that give them the opportunity to also enjoy the frustration of having a big fish leisurely swimming under and around their boat while ignoring every bait or lure drawn past their nose. Cobia are curious fish that naturally seek out and investigate large objects in the water such as floating debris, sea turtles, other large fish such as sharks or rays, buoys or day markers, bridge pilings, and of course - boats. The problem is that "curious" cobia are not always "hungry" cobia and just because they show up under a boat doesn't mean they're

going to be an easy catch. To be sure, a cobia can be one finicky critter!



Those who follow the fishing reports will note that cobia might be encountered anywhere from the surf to more than 40-miles offshore and a few will even be caught in the back bays. No matter where they're taken, most cobia are hooked accidentally by anglers while fishing for other species. Inshore or offshore, it doesn't seem to matter, as long as the water is warm and bait is plentiful, cobia could show up. Unfortunately, around here it's almost impossible to go out and actually target cobia - this isn't the Bay Bridge Tunnel where good numbers hang out in predictable locations, or Florida where they can be found under rays swimming near the surface. Rather than trying to find the cobia, local anglers pretty much have to go out and fish for other things like sharks, tuna, or bottom fish and just hope the cobia pay them a surprise visit. The key to at least having a shot at landing one of these fish is to "be prepared" when they do show up.

Being prepared starts by knowing what you're looking at. In many cases the first reaction a lot of fishermen have

when they see a cobia is that a small shark has swum up to the boat. A cobia's brown back, white belly, and wide head help foster this illusion and probably prompts a lot of fishermen to pull their lines out of the water, after all - who in the heck wants to catch a shark?! But if anglers have the chance to see the fish clearly enough they should be able to note that the top lobe of the cobia's tail is not long like that of a small dusky shark that they so easily can be confused for. They also don't have the shark's tall dorsal fin.

While these fish will sometimes hang around a boat for most of the day, once a cobia is identified, anglers need to get a bait or lure to it FAST because they'll often only make one or two passes under the boat and then be gone for good. From late June until the end of September, anytime we're offshore we'll always have at least one rod rigged and standing-by that we can drop over within a few seconds of spotting a cobia. We'll usually have one rod set up with a large bucktail or soft-plastic such as a Storm lure and another with a small "live-bait" or circle hook rigged on 30-pound fluorocarbon leader that we can quickly attach to a live or strip bait.

When conditions are such that we're starting to see cobia on a regular basis we'll often bring with us 2-4 live baits such as eels or spot. For extra quick deployment, these baits can be pre-rigged on the hook and then left hanging either in the livewell or in the water beside the boat just a foot or two under

the surface - don't let them out too far or they might get cut off by a shark you don't see coming. Live baits are one of the best things going but they're not a guarantee to success. Cobia will pass them up as well. Remember - it's their life's mission to frustrate anglers!

Live baits can be cast or flipped out to cobia and allowed to swim freely and do their own attracting, but lures need to be properly worked to get the bite. Bucktails and other jigs should be cast or dropped out in front of a cobia then bounced-bounced-bounced and finally allowed to drop 5-10 feet straight down. The bouncing will often get the cobia's attention and the drop will solicit it to follow and strike. Anglers should keep in mind that, whatever it is they're using to catch a cobia, they should usually use a relatively slow retrieve as these fish are seldom inclined to chase down and attack something that moves too fast.

Much has been written about how feisty cobia can be when they're brought into a boat and I'm not going to argue the fact. Just like dolphin or any other decent size fish that tends to go ballistic when gaffed, cobia should be stuck, swung directly into a fish box, and the lid slammed shut, all in one motion. But cobia don't always create havoc inside the boat, and when they do I'm suspect that it's because the particular fish didn't expend enough energy during the fight. Cobia "can" be excellent fighters, but there are also times when one

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will be hooked and pretty much allow the angler to easily lead them to the boat as if they don't really know that anything is wrong (I never said they were smart) until they're stuck with a gaff and find themselves on the deck of a boat - then they go nuts and use all their stored-up energy!

In Maryland and Delaware waters, there are no size or creel limits for cobia, even in Federal waters. In Virginia, anglers are allowed to keep one cobia per day that is at least 37-inches in length, measured to the tip of its tail. Most cobia found off our coast will meet that minimum size.

Cobia is one of my favorite fish to eat and I wish we caught them more often. Their meat is very firm and the flavor reminds me of halibut, slightly fishy but very good. Cobia are wonderful fish that I just love to hate!

Captain Mark Sampson is an outdoor writer and captain of the charter boat "Fish Finder", docked at the Ocean City Fishing Center.

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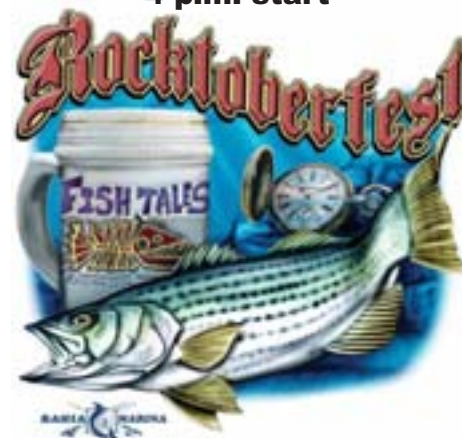
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At a list price of \$995, which puts it substantially higher than the typical home instrument, you might wonder why this would be appealing to the marine consumer. The answers are actually numerous. First, it has no

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Although manufactured by AirMar and providing a standard NMEA 0183 output, this unit is designed to go with the Furuno RD30 remote display. If you add their “smart sensor” to it, the RD30 gives you depth sounder capabilities and can even be added to your Furuno VXII NavNet system.



Emily Pivec of Jarrettsville, MD boated this 52 lb. bluefin tuna while fishing on the “Miss Emily” with John Brittingham, Chris Kavanaugh, Adam Pivec and Frank Pivec. The bluefin was hooked at the 000’s on a trolled ballyhoo and weighed at Bahia Marina.

Installation of this product on a Furuno RD30 couldn’t be easier. It comes with their standard 7-pin data plug so this is truly one of those “plug and play” units. If you just want to connect your weather instrument to a display like the RD 30, you just need the PB150 and the compatible display. If you want to add a smart sensor for depth sounding capabilities and/or connect to a PC or a NavNet display, you will need their “combiner” unit. It has a list price of \$550, making the total package list at \$1,545. Of course, it will normally be discounted at the point of purchase but that price will vary as with all equipment.

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Dom Scaglione, Ward Parkin and Glen Lauver joined Russell Applegit on the "Toy Boy" for some dolphin fishing in Massey's Canyon. The group ended their day with 3 in the box, with the largest tipping the scales at 18 lbs.



C.T. Amari from Winchester, VA (center) muscled in this 20.5-inch flounder on a Gulp! Swimming Mullet in the West Channel. C.T. was fishing on the "Get Sum" with Richard and Jo Jo Amari of Winchester, VA, Gregory Lenger of Stephens City, VA, Capt. Nick Clemente and Mate Tyler Hasenei. The group also returned with a 1/2 bushel of crabs and a bucket of clams. Pictured at the Ocean City Fishing Center.

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Inshore waters really warmed up during the streak of warm weather in Ocean City and Carla Casey was there to hook this 11 lb. dolphin while fishing on the “Morning Star” with her son, Michael, Capt. Monty Hawkins and Mate Rich Silvani. The dolphin was caught on a chunk of clam at the Great Eastern Reef. Pictured at the Ocean City Fishing Center.

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Bess Gobeler from Marlton, NJ boated this 25-inch flounder after hooking it on a minnow and Fish Bites combination in the East Channel.

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Charlie Totaro of Kent Island, MD (right) landed this 117.8 lb. bluefin tuna to win 1st place in the MSSA Tuna-Ment held at Sunset Marina. Charlie caught the bluefin on a trolled, skirted ballyhoo in 30 fathoms, south of the Hambone while fishing on the “Off the Top” with Pete Gahles of Brookville, MD. The duo also boated a 17.3 lb. dolphin at the Jackspot. For his 1st place finish, Charlie took home \$2,248 in award money.



Jeff Hartman from Westminster, MD (pictured) and Robert Hartman, also from Westminster, MD won the Heaviest Dolphin Division with a total of 48.4 lbs. caught during their 2 days of fishing. The anglers three dolphin weighed 9 lbs., 13.9 lbs. and 25 lbs., and were caught on trolled ballyhoo at the Chicken Bone. Jeff and Robert were awarded \$765 for their 1st place finish.



On the 2nd day of the 21st Annual MSSA Tuna-Ment, Steve Ramsey of Fallston, MD captured this 75.8 lb. bluefin tuna and held on to win 2nd place in the Heaviest Tuna Division. Steve was fishing on the “Lady Luck” with Mark Ensor of Forest Hill, MD, Capt. Tommy Baldwin and Mates Austin Ensor and Jody White. The bluefin was caught in 100 fathoms in the Washington Canyon and was worth \$10,033 in award money. The group also released a blue marlin and a white marlin during the trip. Pictured at Sunset Marina.

21st Annual MSSA Tuna-Ment

June 25 - 27, 2010

Heaviest Tuna Division

1st Place

Charlie Totaro

“Off the Top”

117.8 lb. bluefin

\$2,248

2nd Place

Steve Ramsey

“Lady Luck”

75.8 lb. bluefin

\$10,033

3rd Place

Charlie Reichert

“Special K”

50.3 lb. bluefin

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Heaviest Dolphin Division

(3 heaviest fish)

1st Place

Jeff Hartman

48.4 lbs. total

\$765

25 Boats Entered

Total Award Money: \$14,597

VA / NC Fishing Report

Virginia Marine Resources Commission
"The Saltwater Review"

Chincoteague

Captain Bob's saw keeper ratios of 25-to-1 for flounder with Queens Sound being the angler's choice. Kingfish are being reported around the inlets of seaside bays, along with some croaker. Several sharks are being caught as well.

Wachapreague

Last weekend was a great fishing weekend, according to staff at the Wachapreague Marina. Bluefin tuna, yellowfin tuna, white marlin, cobia, king mackerel—the kitchen sink were hooked! All the usual locations were productive, including the 26-Mile Hill, Norfolk and Washington Canyons, and the Lumpy

Bottom. Flounder are still holding as well. Even though number of larger fish has diminished, there are still some keeper flounder to be had in the area.

Staff at Captain Zed's reports that flounder fishing has been good out of Wachapreague, but there has been a lot of throwbacks. Anglers are hooking flounder around Sandy Point (near Marker 6), the north side of the inlet (in front of Cedar Island), Millstone Creek, and Bradfords, Green, and Drawing channels. Most of the larger fish have been caught in the deeper water. Sand mullet have been biting in the area as well.

Offshore, anglers hooked bluefin and yellowfin tuna, citation-sized king mackerel, and white marlin.

Lower Bay/Bridge Tunnel

Two citation flounder were reported last week at Cobb's Marina. The first was 11 pounds, 15 ounces, and 29.5 inches long and was caught off of the Concrete Ships. The second was 8 pounds, 3 ounces, and 26.75 inches long and was caught near the fourth island of the Chesapeake Bay Bridge Tunnel.

Staff at Sunset Boating Center reports that local anglers are catching coolers full of croaker. Flounder have also been reported, but there is a high throwback ratio.

Salt Ponds Marina staff also reported two flounder citations last week (7 pounds, 9 ounces and 7 pounds, 2 ounces). Both fish were caught using bucktail at the Chesapeake Bay Bridge Tunnel. According to staff, fishing has been improving in the last few weeks, and anglers are hooking up a little bit of everything.

Wallace's Bait and Tackle staff reports several citations for red drum and cobia over the last week. Hot spots for red drum have been the Highrise of the CBBT, Grandview, and Horseshoe Shoal. Cobia are being caught in the Baltimore Channel, along the CBBT, and the Hump. The largest flounder last week came from the CBBT at 9 pounds, 2 ounces (28.5 inches).

The York River area has a mixed bag with croaker, flounder, cobia, bluefish, and Spanish mackerel, according to staff at the York River Fishing Center. The Gloucester Point Pier has also reported croaker and flounder with a few spot mixed in.

Cape Charles

Chris and Mark at Chris' Bait and Tackle report plenty of action around the lower Eastern Shore. Spadefish are hitting around Plantation Light and the CBBT-High Rise Bridge. Cobia are still providing plenty of action around Buoys 13 and 16, with a 60 pounder hitting the scales last week. Sea mullet have shown up in the vicinity of the little bridge onto Fisherman's Island, and flounder are still hitting at the Cell. Chris also made note that big red drum are still being found in the surf of the barrier islands and Fisherman's Island.

Virginia Beach

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

The good fishing trend should continue its momentum

with flounder on most anglers' minds. Although not on fire, the flatfish bite is more consistent with the usual summer pattern lately, which is good.

With limits of keeper flounder becoming more common, anglers are pounding the Bay Bridge Tunnel and other lower bay structures, mostly with live bait and jigs. Many fish ranging over 22 inches, with a few doormat-sized trophies pushing over 7 pounds, are biting lately. Live spot is working well near structure, while 2-ounce jig heads adorned with plastics are a good choice for jigging around the piling bases. Strip baits are also producing some decent fish for drifters. The edges of the Baltimore Channel and Buoy 36 are the best places to try this week. Lynnhaven and Rudee inlets are also giving up some good catches of keeper flatfish.

The Spanish mackerel scene is another hot topic. Folks trolling the lower bay, the Chesapeake Bay Bridge Tunnel, and the ocean shorelines are finding limits of Spanish mackerel ranging up to 22 inches with plenty of Taylor bluefish. The largest fish are coming from off Cape Henry, near the pound nets. Small silver and gold spoons weighted with in-line sinkers will do the trick in anywhere from 18 to 30 feet of water. King mackerel are next. Anglers continue to report sightings of kings skying and crashing on bait inshore, while small kings are biting trolled baits on the inshore lumps.

Tautog are back in the picture, with anglers beginning to show some interest. Most fish caught near the Bridge Tunnel are ranging around 3 to 4 pounds. The Chesapeake Bay Bridge Tunnel structure is also providing decent catches of sheepshead, with clams and fiddlers working well. Pier anglers are finding fish pushing over 11 pounds off the Sea Gull Fishing Pier at the 1st island of the Chesapeake Bay Bridge Tunnel. Triggerfish are also in the same areas.

Cobia catches slid a little last week, but some nice fish are still responding for both chummers and sight-casters. The really big fish should make another

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showing within a week or so as they migrate out of the rivers. The Inner Middle grounds and Latimer Shoal are providing the best results on cut bait. A few red drum are also taking these baits intended for cobia.

Black drum continue to hit around the artificial islands of the Chesapeake Bay Bridge Tunnel, where anglers are hooking an occasional fish while casting grubs and shads.

Spadefish are pretty much everywhere right now. The Chesapeake Light Tower and the Chesapeake Bay Bridge Tunnel are giving up good numbers of fish, with most averaging around 4 to 5 pounds lately. The Cell area is still the best area for the largest fish.

Puppy drum (juvenile red drum) are becoming more active within Lynnhaven Inlet, with reports of some fish measuring up to 30 inches.

According to the folks at Chris' Bait and Tackle, although the croaker have not yet arrived in Oyster, tarpon are making a stealthy showing, but there is no word of any hook-ups yet. Nice sea mullet are hitting in the

southern small boat channel at the Chesapeake Bay Bridge Tunnel and the inlet to Magothy Bay.

Amberjack are a good bet at the Southern Towers and some offshore wrecks, such as the Triangles, and the Ricks, and Hanks Wrecks. Live bait is working well, while jigs are also good alternative bait.

Deep droppers are still finding nice blueline and golden tilefish, wreckfish, and blackbelly rosefish. Some nice black sea bass are available on the nearshore wrecks as well as structures around 30 miles out. Black sea bass are also scattered among catches of blueline tilefish in deeper water.

The offshore scene is offering some good options. Billfish are starting to show, with a good blue marlin presence lately. The yellowfin tuna action is still slow, with only scattered fish boated so far. Bluefin tuna are the main draw right now, with school-sized fish ranging from 70 to 90 pounds taking trolled baits on the inshore sea mounds, from 26-Mile Hill to the Cigar. A few

blackfin tuna and gaffer dolphin are also in the mix.

Outer Banks, NC

Offshore fishing out of Nags Head continues to be headlined by dolphin with most boats going out coming back with their limits. Other species being caught include tuna (yellowfin, blackfin, and bigeye), wahoos, king mackerel, bonito, and amberjacks. The billfishing is producing a few blue and white marlin as well as sailfish, but the fishing is not as good as one might hope for.

Bottom fishing results have been a mixed bag with blackbelly rosefish, vermillion and red snapper, snow and yellowedge grouper, and black sea bass.

There are still striped bass eight miles offshore, but it is illegal to target or keep them from federal waters (greater than three miles offshore).

Nearshore artificial reefs were holding triggerfish, tautog, black drum, and sheepshead. Nearshore, surf and pier anglers found good bites of bluefish and Spanish mackerel on artificial lures. Sea mullet, spot, croaker,

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puffers, pompano, spadefish, flounder, and other summer denizens were being caught on cut bait and blood worms.

The sounds and inlet continue to see flounder and speckled trout being the main targets. Flounder can be found on the dropoffs next to sand bars in the inlet, and the trout will be working around sea grass beds and bridges in the sound. Cobia are still being caught in the night time hours.

The fishing south of Oregon Inlet has been slow due to the strong southwest winds. Some bluefish and Spanish mackerel were around the Avon Pier, with plugs being the main weapon. Small flounder, sea mullet, and bluefish were reported in the area of Ramp 49.

Strong southwest winds kept most boats in port the past few days. When boats did go out, dolphin and blackfin tuna were being caught. The inlet was producing bluefish and Spanish mackerel. Puppy drum (juvenile red drum), could be found in the channels and around the oyster beds adjoining salt marshes.

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Eric Budd from Berlin, MD captured this 42-inch, 51.5-lb. bluefin tuna on Saturday while fishing on the "Good Time" with Capt. Mike Sigmund from Somerset, PA and Mate Michael Sigmund of Newark, MD. The bluefin was hooked on a trolled ballyhoo at the Fingers and weighed at Ake Marine in West Ocean City.



Mike Malkasian from Annandale, VA caught this 5 lb. flounder on a strip of squid and Fernando Duarte from Laurel, MD landed a 3 lb. sea bass on a chunk of clam, both while fishing on the "Morning Star" with Capt. Monty Hawkins and Mates Tucker Colquhoun and Mike Kinder. The fish were caught on an ocean wreck. Pictured at the Ocean City Fishing Center.



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Jeff Bryant of Stevensville, MD used live minnows to fool these 3 flounder while drifting in the bay, north of Harbour Island. One of the fish measured 20.5-inches, while the other two came in at 21.0-inches apiece.

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Mike Caffarella from Rotterdam, NY caught this 21-inch flounder while fishing from the Rt. 50 Bridge during the incoming tide. Mike used a minnow for bait and weighed his catch at Oyster Bay Tackle.



Greg Roth of West Ocean City, MD captured these two flounder while fishing with minnows from the beach on Gudelsky Park. The fish measured 19.5 and 20-inches.

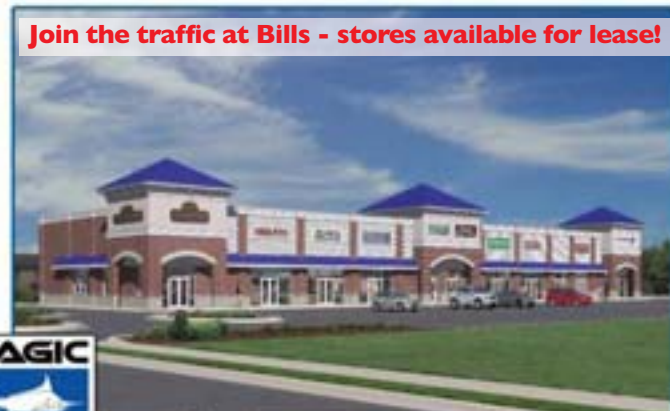
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John Schnaitman, Bobby Bryant and Tom Richardson took advantage of a good flounder bite at an ocean reef site while fishing on the "Nervous Wreck". John scored an 8 pounder, while Bobby's came in at 6 lbs. 2 oz. and Tom's weighed 7 lbs. 11 oz. The fish were among 10 keepers the anglers caught during the trip. Weighed at Lewes Harbour Marina.



Ryan Craig from Carroll County, MD caught these 2 sea bass, measuring 17 and 17.5-inches, while fishing with clams at the Great Eastern Reef. Ryan was fishing on the "Morning Star" with Capt. Monty Hawkins and Mates Tucker Colquhoun and Rich Silvani. Pictured at the Ocean City Fishing Center.

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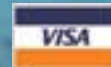


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Rob Jager from West Ocean City, MD landed 2 flounder weighing 4 lbs. and 5 lbs. and Russian visitor Renat Nureev caught his first keeper, weighing an even 3 lbs., both while fishing with Danny Cox in the Thorofare. The fish were caught on live minnows.



Eddie Kehl, Randy Maui, Rich Sammons and Larry Moore teamed up to bring 2 yellowfin tuna to the dock after trolling ballyhoo north of the Washington Canyon aboard the "Bill Collector". Photo courtesy of Hook'em & Cook'em.

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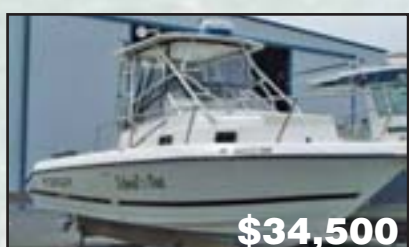
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