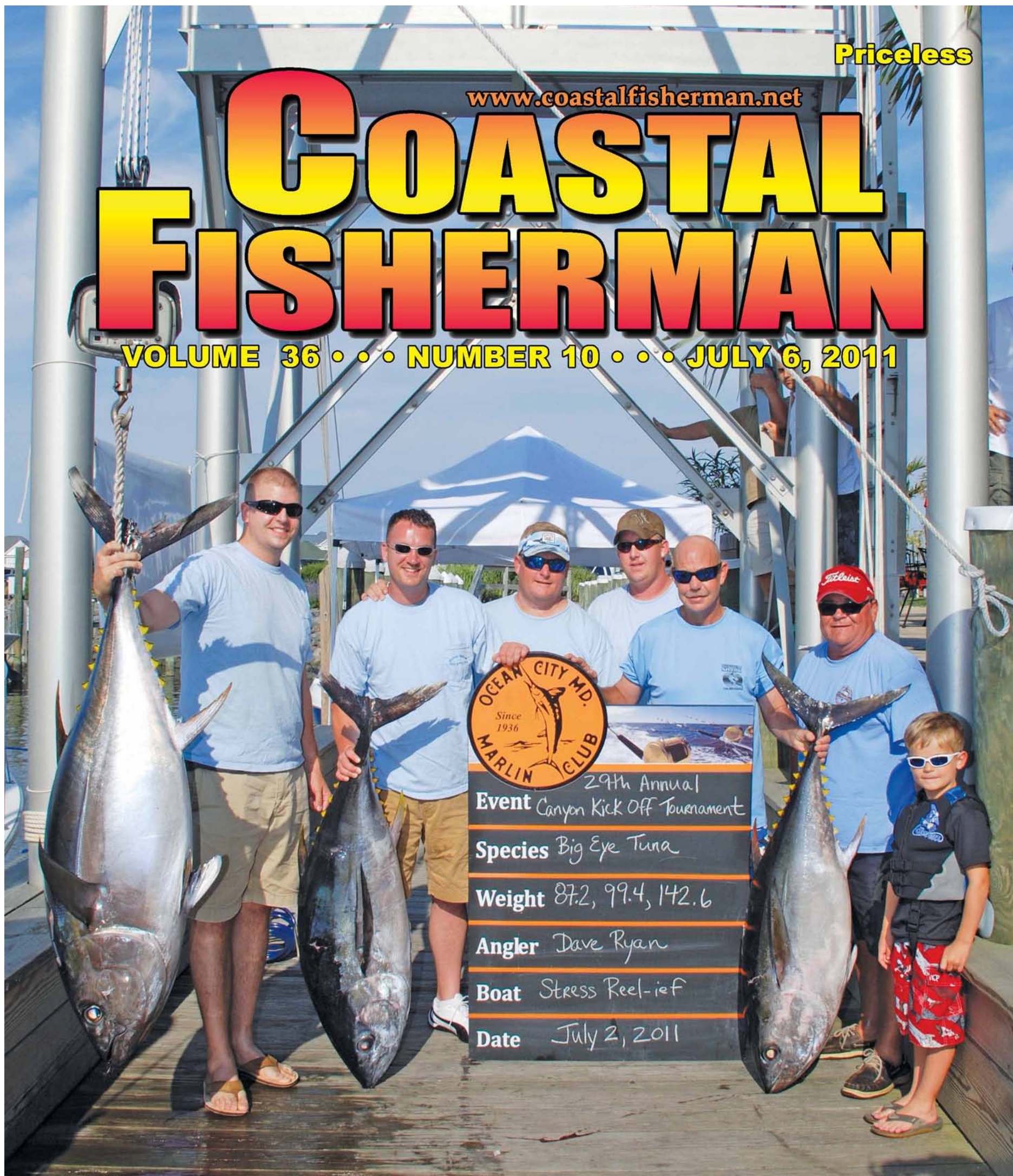


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Species Big Eye Tuna

Weight 87.2, 99.4, 142.6

Angler Dave Ryan

Boat Stress Reel-ief

Date July 2, 2011

Tim Corbin from Snow Hill, MD boated a 142.6 lb. bigeye tuna and Dave Ryan captured a 99.4 pounder to win 1st and 2nd place in the Tuna Division of the 29th Annual Ocean City Marlin Club Canyon Kick-Off held over the weekend. The anglers were fishing on the "Stress Reel-ief" with Todd Dickerson of Ocean City, MD, Chuck Durbin of Silver Spring, MD, Tom Dickerson of Fenwick Island, DE, Trent Dickerson from Damascus, MD and Capt. Richie Baldwin. The first and second place fish, along with an 87.2 pounder, were caught on ballyhoo and spreader bars in the Poor Man's Canyon. The "Stress Reel-ief" crew took home \$24,828 in award money. Weighed at Sunset Marina.

Fish Facts



Atlantic Croaker *Micropogonias undulatus*

Key Distinguishing Markings:

- Chin with 3-5 pairs of small barbells and 5 pores.
- Dorsal fin deeply notched, with 10 spines in the anterior portion and 1 spine and 26-30 soft rays in the posterior portion.
- Upper dorsal side with numerous brassy spots that form wavy bars (less distinct in large individuals).

Size:

- Maximum adult size is 50 centimeters total length (1.6 feet) in the Chesapeake Bay area.

Distribution:

- Found in the western Atlantic from Massachusetts to Florida and throughout the Gulf of Mexico.
- This species is uncommon north of New Jersey.

Food Preference:

- Atlantic croakers are bottom feeders that consume polychaete worms, mollusks, a variety of small crustaceans, and occasionally small fishes.

Spawning:

- First spawning occurs at age 2-3 in continental shelf waters from July through February, with peak spawning from August through October in the Chesapeake Bay area.

Fun Facts:

- Atlantic croaker get their common name from a large and elaborate swim bladder that, by using special muscles, can resonate to produce croaking or drumming sounds.

Reference: www.dnr.state.md.us



Early in the week, the crew on "That's Right" really smoked the yellowfin tuna while trolling ballyhoo and spreader bars in the Washington Canyon. They ended up with 19 yellowfins in the box along with a white marlin release. Pictured are John Matera of Oak Ridge, NJ, Joe Matera from Closter, NJ, Amaury Perez from Hewitt, NJ, Tim Gillespie of West Milford, NJ and Paul Daprato from Lake Hopatcong, NJ who recorded the white marlin release. Pictured at Fisherman's Marina.

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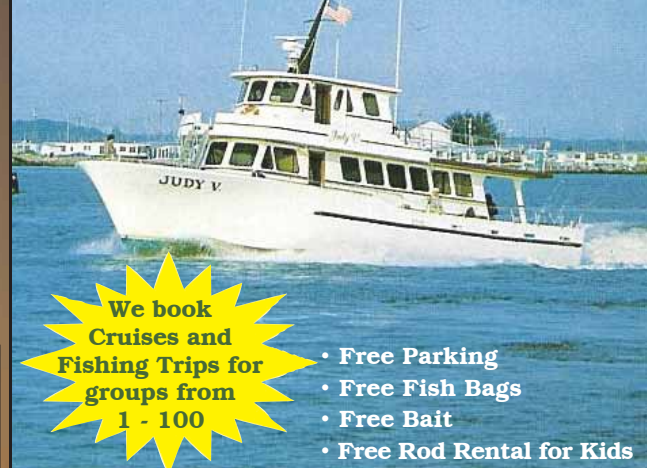
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While fishing on the "Silver Cloud", Harry Cloud (right) landed this 33.4 lb. dolphin after hooking it between the Chicken Bone and the Hambone. The duo went 5 for 7 on dolphin during the trip.



Tom Crowley, Gary Liptrap, Terry Perry and Mary Beth Perry each released a white marlin while fishing on the "Marli" with Amanda Perry, Randy and Ryan Dean, Capt. Mark Hoos, Jr. and mates Anthony Pino and Frank Mattes, Jr. The white marlin, along with 3 yellowfin tuna were caught in the Poor Man's Canyon. Pictured at Sunset Marina.

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Big Bird Cropper and David Leizear, both from Powellville, MD caught 5 flounder (4 pictured) while fishing with Gulp! Swimming Mulletts in the Ocean City Inlet. The largest flattie measured 22-inches.

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Jermaine Dickerson of Salisbury, MD set a new potential Maryland state record for bluefin tilefish when he caught this 15.4 pounder while fishing on the "Morning Star" with Capt. Monty Hawkins. The 34.5-inch fish was caught on a chunk of clam over an ocean reef. Currently, there is not a state record category for bluefin tilefish, but the state is considering adding one due to this catch. Pictured at the Ocean City Fishing Center.



Joe, Jake and Zach Appelbaum from Potomac, MD caught 13 yellowfin tuna and a dolphin while fishing on "Rhonda's Osprey" with Capt. Joe Drosey and mate Rusty Reddish. The fish hooked on trolled ballyhoo and spreader bars at the south end of the Poor Man's Canyon. Pictured at Sunset Marina.

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Sonny Beatly, I.G. Burton, Spencer Zebley, Zeb Zebley, Ralph Zebley and Dave Arnold returned to Sunset Marina with a white marlin release, a blue marlin release, 12 yellowfin and some dolphin after a day on "Rhonda's Osprey". The anglers were fishing in the Wilmington Canyon with Capt. Joe Drosey and mate Rusty Reddish. Bottom picture is Sonny Beatly with his white marlin release.

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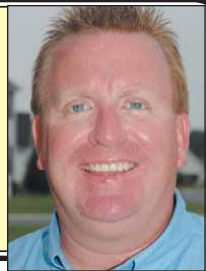
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Ocean City Fishing Report

by Larry Jock



What a week of fishing out of Ocean City. Now is the time to get a charter booked to take advantage of the excellent tuna, dolphin and marlin fishing we are seeing off our coast.

Canyon Kick-off

The Ocean City Marlin Club Canyon Kick-off was held this past weekend and the action was fast and furious on the first day when 23 boats hit the scales to weigh fish. Although the first day was the most active, the 2nd day provided most of the winning fish. The bigeye tuna brought in on the "Stress Reel-ief" had a lot of heads turning, as did the 7 white marlin released on "Spike's Boat".

Overall, it was a good tournament with some quality fish hitting the scales. You can see all the results starting on page 22.

Tilefish

Last Thursday, Capt. Monty Hawkins on the "Morning Star" took his anglers on a long, 16-hour trip where Jermaine Dickerson ended up landing a potential Maryland state record blueline tilefish that tipped the scales at 15.4 lbs. Jermaine caught the fish over an ocean reef on a chunk of clam. I say "potential", because Maryland



Steve and Frankie Adams from Strasburg, PA, Bob Adams from Drumore, PA, Ray Bleistine and Terry Euston from Lancaster, PA and Eric White from Millersville, PA caught 7 yellowfin tuna and a wahoo, all while fishing on the "Marli" with Capt. Mark Hoos, Jr. and mates Frank Mattes, Jr. and Anthony Pino. The fish were caught in 100 fathoms in the Washington Canyon. Pictured at Sunset Marina.

never had a state record category for blueline tilefish, but Capt. Monty has been in contact with DNR representatives who have told him that they will create one starting with this catch.

Flounder

Anglers continue to weed through a lot of "short" flounder to find their keeper. The throwback-to-keeper ratio can run as high as 25 to 1 on some days, but those willing to stick it

out have been rewarded with some nice flatties.

Most of the flounder hooked last week came from the East Channel and up in the Thorofare. A few were caught at the mouth of the Commercial Harbor and down behind the Ocean City Airport. As always, finding clean, clear water was the key.

The largest flounder landed last week was Ryan Snyder's 5-pounder caught on Sunday off the 4th Street Bulkhead. This area has produced a lot of nice fish this year. If you remember a few years ago, some structure was sunk along that bulkhead and those flounder are using it to stack up against. It has really turned into a productive area to fish. Just watch the snags.

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Anglers using Gulp! artificial baits are really catching a lot of fish, but those using live spot seem to have the better chance at catching a keeper.

Croaker

What happened to the croaker everyone expected to be caught last week? They showed up briefly during the previous week, but last week were a no-show.

Bluefish

Bluefish were absent last week. Those that had been lurking around the Rt. 50 Bridge seemed to have vanished.

Sea Bass

We continued to see good catches of sea bass off the local headboats who are venturing off the coast to ocean wrecks and reefs. Anglers fishing with clams and squid are having good results.

Weakfish

I went fishing with my dad one night last week and actually caught a spike trout on a white Gulp! Swimming Mullet. We were drifting just south of the Bridge over by the West Channel. It was quite a surprise to see the weakfish since I probably haven't caught one since I was 15 years old. Gillnetters also reported finding weakfish in their nets last week. Small fish in the 10-12 inch range.

Could we be seeing a comeback for this species? For those of us who fished back in the 70's, you know that was a primary species that we caught. If you didn't catch weakfish, especially in the Delaware Bay, you probably went home with nothing. Some folks blame the lack of weakfish on netters at the mouth of the Delaware Bay. I believe it is the result of the historical comeback of striped

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bass. I once saw a chart that showed the estimated population of striped bass versus the population of weakfish. The graphs were mirror opposites of each other. When striped bass were hurting, weakfish thrived. As striped bass increased in population, the weakfish stock decreased almost at the same rate. Pretty interesting.

Marlin

Several blue marlin were hooked last week. On Friday, the "Tuna Box" hooked 4 blue marlin, getting 2 to the boat, while fishing in 70 fathoms inside the Poor Man's Canyon. On Sunday, the "Playmate", "Jade II" and the "Always Late" each released blue marlin in the Poor Man's.

White marlin were caught in good numbers throughout the week, with the top catch coming on Friday when "Spike's Boat" released 7 in the Washington Canyon. The majority of boats recorded 1-3 releases during their trip to either the Washington Canyon or the south end of the Poor Man's. Only a few were cut loose in the Baltimore Canyon.

Bigeye Tuna

Conditions have been ripe for catches of bigeye tuna in our canyons and on Saturday, the "Stress Reel-ief" boated three of them weighing between 87.2 and 142.6 lbs. The fish were caught on ballyhoo and spreader bars at the south end of the Poor Man's Canyon.

Yellowfin Tuna

Once again, yellowfin tuna hit the docks in big numbers throughout the week with some of the best fishing we have seen in years. On Tuesday, the "Marli" boated 24 yellowfins and "That's Right" had 19, all in the Washington Canyon. "That's Right" followed that up with another 14 on Wednesday. On Thursday, the bite shifted to the southern end of the Poor Man's Canyon, where "Rhonda's Osprey" captured 17 yellowfins and the "Fish Bonz" returned with 8 in the box.

With the 1st day of the Canyon Kick-Off on Friday, a lot of boats headed to the Poor Man's where loads of tuna were caught. Most of the fish weighed between 40 and 50 lbs. "Rhonda's Osprey" and "That's Right" each returned with 13

yellowfins, while the "Banshee" ended up with 11 in the box.

The weekend produced some excellent catches, still mainly in the Poor Man's Canyon. "Moore Bills" caught 10 on Saturday and several boats recorded catches of 3-4 yellowfins during their trip.

Bluefin Tuna

A few bluefins were caught last week by boats fishing at the Fingers, Jackspot and in Massey's Canyon. On Monday, the "Anticipation" boated a 105 pounder at the Fingers. Over the weekend, "Hammer Down" captured an 88.4 lb. bluefin at the Parking Lot on Saturday and on Sunday, the "Why Not" captured an 82 pounder in Massey's Canyon.

Wahoo

It's still a little too early for good wahoo fishing off our coast, with most still heading north from the Bahamas. The only wahoo we saw last week came in on Friday when the "Marli" arrived with one caught in the Washington Canyon. A late report arrived on Monday morning that a boat landed a 50 pounder on Sunday. We should have that picture in next weeks issue.

Dolphin

For the last 3 weeks, we have seen the average size of dolphin caught increasing each week, and last week continued the trend.

Many mahi over 20 lbs. were landed and even a few over 30 lbs. as well. Two anglers caught 38 pounders during the week. On Thursday, Keith Kaler landed one in the Washington Canyon and Chris Ragni landed one the next day near the 461 Lump. Chris also had a 32 pounder on that same trip.

There aren't any local tournaments on the schedule this weekend.

The following weekend is the Ocean City Tuna Tournament at the Ocean City Fishing Center. The tournament runs from Friday, July 15th to Sunday, July 17th. Weigh-ins are from 4:00 to 7:30 pm on Friday and Saturday and 4:00 to 7:00 pm on Sunday.

I hope everyone enjoys the off weekend for tournaments and has a great time fun-fishing!



Wayne Warner of Ocean Pines, MD caught a 110 lb. mako shark while fishing with Colin Campbell (not pictured), Jennifer Blunt, Capt. Jeremy Blunt and mate Mark Stephens in the Poor Man's Canyon. The anglers also landed 4 yellowfin during the trip. Pictured at the Ocean City Fishing Center.

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Bubba Usavage wrestled in this 20-inch flounder while drifting a bucktail in the East Channel. He loaded up the bucktail with a Gulp! artificial bait and a smelt from Oyster Bay Tackle.



Cara and Mark Richardson from Lutherville, MD, George Lenz from Ocean City, MD and Karen Carpenter from Laytonsville, MD caught some nice flounder during a trip on the "Bay Bee" with Capt. Bob Gowar and mate Spencer Cropper. George's flattie was the largest of the group, measuring 21.5-inches and was caught on a live spot. The other three were fooled with squid and shiner combinations in both the East Channel and in the bay behind Assateague Island. Pictured at the Ocean City Fishing Center.

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Tia, Hunter, Eliza and Joe Howe from Durham, ME were fishing on the "Last Call" with Capt. Frank Pettolina and mates Franky and Jenn Pettolina when they boated this bluefin tuna at the Twin Wrecks. The anglers hooked 4 bluefins during the trip on trolled artificial lures. Pictured at the Ocean City Fishing Center.



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Pat Bartenfelter of Baltimore, MD caught a 105 lb. bluefin tuna while fishing with Steve Sauble of Perry Hall, MD, Capt. Al Frizzell and mate Jon Yost. The big bluefin, along with another bluefin and a dolphin were hooked on ballyhoo and green machines at the Fingers. Pictured at Bahia Marina.



William Bonniwell muscled in this 11 lb. 11 oz. tautog during a trip aboard the "Indian" with Capt. Ted Moulinier. The big tog was hooked on a green crab over a wreck and weighed at Lewes Harbour Marina.

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Nathan McGinnis, age 10, from New Holland, PA captured his first tuna while fishing on the "Barbed Wire" with Capt. Dean Metcalfe and mate Mel McGinnis, Jr. The bluefin was hooked on a cedar plug at the Jackpot. Pictured at Bahia Marina.



Sea bass, cod and tautog were on the fishing menu this day for anglers aboard the "Morning Star" with Capt. Monty Hawkins and mate Mike Kinder. Sue Foster of Oyster Bay Tackle & Fenwick Tackle landed a 25.5-inch cod, Dennis McDermott from Ake Marine (right) boated a nice size tog, Ken Strohm also caught a tog and Dan Krupanski hooked a big sea bass, all while using clams for bait. Pictured at the Ocean City Fishing Center.



On Friday, Chris Ragni of Lewes, DE (center) captured 2 bull dolphin while trolling ballyhoo around the 461 Lump. Chris was fishing with Jimmy Kersey of Lewes, DE and Ted Marra of Westchester, PA on the "Sea Wolf" when he landed the 32 and 38 pounders. The anglers also landed 3 other dolphin during the trip.



Mike McCarthy, Grant McCarthy, Frank Sherman and Bill Britt, all from Ashton, MD, Rick Culler from Las Vegas, NV and Ed Meadows from Pasadena, MD teamed up to land 17 yellowfin tuna and 3 dolphin while fishing on "Rhonda's Osprey" with Capt. Joe Drosey and mate Rusty Reddish. The fish were caught on trolled ballyhoo and spreader bars in 76-degree water in the Poor Man's Canyon on Thursday. Pictured at Sunset Marina.

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Driftin' Easy

by Sue Foster



"What's this Gulp stuff?"

Gulp is a product made by Berkley, a division of Pure Fishing. Like FishBites, years of research went into the making of this extremely popular bait. They look like soft plastic lures immersed in some kind of liquid. I read on the internet that Gulp is made from a water-based resin while other soft baits like plastic worms and grubs are made from an oil based resin. The Company explains: "Berkley Gulp and Berkley Gulp Alive baits are not

really made of plastic, but a bio-degradable, dense "sponge-like" material that "soaks all the scents up." When fishing with Gulp, it is important to fish the bait slowly and allow the bait to do what it is intended to do, disperse scent."

Everything about Berkley Gulp is secret. It's a secret bait immersed in a secret juice that is supposed to send out scents 400 times more powerful than real bait. Well, I'm not sure about all that, but it is an extremely popular bait and worth talking about for a few hundred words.

"What kind do I buy? There are hundreds of them on the shelf?"

First of all, there is the regular Gulp in little packages that cost around \$8.00 and the same lures in a Tub with a little handle that cost around \$20. The tubs are called "Gulp Alive". Gulp Alive comes in a pail with more of the powerful juice while regular Gulp comes in a bag with just a little juice. I'm not sure about one juice being more powerful than another since all the juice smells the same but one thing is for sure; Berkley keeps



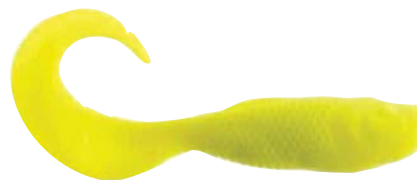
all its secrets shrouded in mystery. All I know is that if you buy one tub of Gulp Alive, you can open the little bags and toss them all in the juice, mix the colors, and have no problem with bleeding colors.

In our area of Ocean City, MD and surrounding areas of Delaware, the most popular Gulp in the summertime is the 4-inch Swimming Mullet. Anglers use it primarily for flounder fishing. You slide it right on your hook, bucktail or jig head just like a regular curltail grub.

Anglers are always asking, "What is better? A live minnow

or Gulp?" Well, although many good anglers use Gulp by itself with no other bait, the best way to use Gulp is in combination with real bait. Slide the Gulp Swimming Mullet on the hook; then attach the live minnow thru the lips. The minnow wiggles, giving the Gulp a nice natural look in the water. The extra scent of the Gulp is extremely effective when flounder fishing, plus you have the color and good looks of the Swimming Mullet.

Gulp makes all kinds of colors and sizes of their baits. In the Swimming Mullet, the pearl white and the chartreuse colors are the most popular followed by pink. Sometimes anglers get into colors called smelt or orange, but if you choose two colors, stick to white and chartreuse. The Gulp



Shrimp also works well for flounder. If you are jigging for flounder and other species like stripers, use the Jerk Shads. Sometimes when anglers are slow trolling and trying to wade thru small flounder to catch keepers, the large 6-inch Swimming Mullet is used. This also works well on a bucktail jig for stripers.

There are Peeler Crab Gulp baits for trout and yes, flounder will take them too. There is a Sand Flea Gulp that works well for tautog and Bloodworm Gulp for bottom fish although I still prefer FishBite Bloodworm when it comes to the bloodworm scent.

Last fall when we were fishing in Virginia, I started throwing the 3-inch curltail swimming mullet on a 3/8 ounce lead head for speckled trout and it worked great! There's also a variety of Gulp Alive baits called Crazy Legs that have a really nice action. Sometimes Gulp works good when fishing offshore in addition to squid and clam for sea bass and offshore flounder.

Be careful, Gulp can leak! This is a common complaint. If you open a package of Gulp, always make sure you seal it back up or the juice will get all over your other tackle. That nice odor will get tiresome when it gets on everything.

The juice can also get all over the boat. It can be slippery on board so if it gets on the floor, be sure to wipe it up so no one slips. The Berkley rep told me to take a knife and cut a big slit in the white paper over the top of the Gulp Jar rather than take the whole paper off the top of the lid where it adheres to the sides. "This will help with the leaking problem," he said. He also mentioned that the new jars out this year are better than the original ones. They have a slightly different shape. The only problem for us retailers is that we are getting some of the old ones and some of the new ones when we order from different companies!

Regardless, the stuff works, so we have to suffer through the leakage problems. Plano and a few other companies have actually come up with special Gulp containers that do not leak.



I read on the Internet that men were swiping their wives Tupperware Containers to store their Gulp Alive in! I will warn you, cheap plastic containers and even good Ziplock bags do not work! The juice eats right thru them! One man said he keeps his Gulp jars in a small cooler and just wipes it out occasionally. I store mine in a 5-gallon bucket in the garage, so if it leaks, it's all in the bucket.

The biggest advice for using Gulp is this. Take it off your hook at the end of the day and put it back in the juice. If you don't, it shrivels up to a quarter of its original size and gets hard as a rock on your hook. Then you have to chisel it off with a sharp knife or throw your rig away!

Gulp is great bait, but if you use it alone, you need to keep it moving. If it's been on the hook for a half an hour, put it back in the juice to rejuvenate and hook up a new one.

Good fishing...

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

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Jake Allnut from Ocean City, MD caught this 20-inch flounder while drifting a minnow/Gulp! combination in the Thorofare. Jake also caught 20 throwback flounder and a "short" striper during the trip. Photo courtesy of Oyster Bay Tackle.

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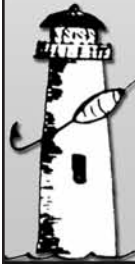
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Fred Jones from York, PA, Ali Leaf from Westchester, PA, Eric Leaf from Downingtown, PA and Rob Miller from Princess Anne, MD brought back some nice sea bass after spending the day fishing on the "Angler" with Capt. Chris Mizurak and mate Dean Lo. The fish were caught on squid at a natural reef with the largest fish weighing in at an even 4 lbs. Pictured at Capt. Bill Bunting's Angler Dock.



Ronald and Bettylou Smith from Seven Valleys, PA teamed up to land this 79 lb. bluefin tuna after hooking it on a green machine spreader bar at the Hambone. Pictured at Ake Marine.

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A group of eight men and one young boy are posing for a photo in front of a green tarp-covered structure, likely a fishing boat or storage area. Each man is holding a large fish, and a large pile of fish is on the ground in front of them. The men are dressed in casual attire, including t-shirts, shorts, and caps. The young boy is also holding a fish. The ground is wet, suggesting recent rain or a recent catch.

Jeff Schenk, Dave Phillip, Fernando Lopez, Louie Panella, Matt Birney, Andrew Kaczmariski, Sr., Andrew Kaczmariski, Jr. and Jim Doyle had an awesome trip aboard the "Katy Did" with Capt. Brent Wiest and mate Dave Walker. The 21 yellowfins, weighing up to 51.7 lbs., took trolled ballyhoo and strip baits in 75 fathoms inshore of the Baltimore Canyon. Pictured at Lewes Harbour Marina.



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Yellowfin fishing has been red hot and these anglers on the "Marli" showed how hot it was on Thursday when they threw 24 in the box. Fishing with Capt. Mark Hoos, Jr. and mates Anthony Pino and Frank Mattes were Don Loucks from Ephrata, PA, Elmer King from Youngwood, PA, Ron Wagner from Hunker, PA, Bill Fryberger from Denver, PA, Keith Loucks from West Newton, PA and Jon Loucks from Greensburg, PA. The yellowfins were caught on ballyhoo in the Washington Canyon. Pictured at Sunset Marina.



Anglers have had to wade through a lot of short flounder to find their keeper, but Capt. Chase Eberle and angler Tyler Barnes were able to boat these big flatties while fishing on the "Flounder Pounder" in the Fishbowl and East Channel. Chase's 23-inch was hooked on a live spot and Tyler fooled his 22-inch with a shiner and squid combination. Pictured at the Hooper's Crab House dock.



On Sunday, Bella Teague from Ashburn, VA and Ernie Teague from Beltsville, MD each landed a keeper flounder while fishing on the "Flounder Magic" with Alex and Marco Delpierre, also from Ashburn, VA, Capt. Alan Bowmaster and mate Sonny Layton. The 18 and 19-inch flatties were caught in the Thorofare. Pictured at Old Town Marina.

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Mike O'Neill caught and released his first blue marlin, estimated at 250 lbs., while fishing on the "JoJoe" with Rich Turkin, Paul Henkelman and Capt. Joe Jordan. The fish was caught in the Baltimore Canyon. Paul landed his first yellowfin tuna during the trip.



Brendon Morrisey released his first white marlin and Zach Blessing boated a dolphin, both while fishing on the "O.C. Joy" with Denny Blessing, Dave Blessing and Steve Spidel. The fish were caught on skirted ballyhoo in the Baltimore Canyon. Photo courtesy of Oyster Bay Tackle.

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3 TBSP. green onion
1/4 tsp. salt
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Combine remaining ingredients and spread mixture on fish.

Broil fish for 10 minutes or until top is lightly brown and fish flakes easily with fork.

Serves 6.

Baked Flounder with Scallop Stuffing

Stuffing:

1/2 cup butter
1 clove garlic, minced
1 small onion, finely chopped
1/2 lb. scallops, chopped
Salt and pepper
Dry white wine
Breadcrumbs

Fish:

6 flounder fillets
1/4 cup butter, melted
1/2 cup hot water

White Sauce:

2 TBSP. butter
2 TBSP. flour
1 cup milk
Salt and pepper
Dry white wine, to taste

In large skillet, melt 1/2 cup butter.

Add garlic and onion; sauté until onions are translucent.

Add scallops; cook 3 minutes.

Season with salt, pepper and white wine.

Add sufficient breadcrumbs to prepare a moist stuffing.

Place each flounder fillet dark-side-up on a flat surface.

Place the scallop stuffing in the center of each fillet.

Fold both ends of each fillet over the stuffing, overlapping the ends.

Pour the melted butter and the hot water into a 9x12 inch baking dish.

Place fillets and bake 20 minutes while you prepare the white sauce.

In small saucepan, melt butter, then whisk in the flour.

Cook over low heat 2-3 minutes, whisking constantly.

Add milk, salt, pepper and white wine.

Increase heat to medium, stirring until sauce has thickened.

Cook 3 more minutes, stirring.

Serves 6.

Tuna over Rice

1/4 lb. bacon
1 large onion, chopped
1 green pepper, chopped
1 lb. tuna, cut into 1-inch cubes

Flour for coating
Salt and pepper
1 bay leaf
2 TBSP. sherry
2 tsp. sugar
Salt and pepper
1 (15 oz.) can tomatoes
Rice, cooked as directed on package

Cut the bacon into small pieces; fry 4 minutes, then add the onion and green pepper; fry 4 more minutes.

Coat fish in a storage bag with the flour, salt and pepper.

Shake excess flour off and add to the vegetables and bacon in skillet.

Fry 5 minutes. Add bay leaf, sherry, tomatoes, salt, pepper and sugar.

Simmer for 10 more minutes.

Serve over cooked rice.

Serves 3-4.

Barbecued Shrimp and Peach Kabobs

1 TBSP. dark brown sugar
1 tsp. ancho chile powder
1 tsp. paprika
1/2 tsp. ground cumin
1/4 tsp. cayenne (red) pepper
Salt and pepper
1 lb. shrimp (16 to 20 count) shelled and deveined
3 medium peaches, cut into 1-inch chunks
1 bunch green onions, white parts only, cut into small pieces
Lime wedges, for serving

Heat grill for direct grilling on high.

In large bowl, combine brown sugar, chili powder, paprika, cumin, cayenne, 1/4 tsp. each of salt and pepper.

Add shrimp, peaches and onion; toss until evenly coated.

Thread shrimp, peaches and

onion alternately onto skewers.

Grill 3 to 4 minutes or until shrimp just become opaque throughout, turning once.

Serve with lime wedges.

Serves 4.

Beer-Battered Fish Tacos with Tomato-Avocado Salsa

Fish fillets
3 TBSP. flour
1/8 tsp. ground cumin
1/8 tsp. salt
1/8 tsp. cayenne pepper, to taste
1/3 cup beer
1/2 pound flounder fillet, cut crosswise into 1-inch wide strips
2 tsp. canola oil
4 taco shells, warmed

Combine flour, cumin, salt and cayenne in a medium bowl.

Whisk in the beer to create a batter.

Coat the fish pieces in the batter, letting excess batter drip back into the bowl.

Heat oil in a large nonstick skillet over medium-high heat.

Add fish; cook 2 to 4 minutes per side.

Serve with the taco shells, salsa and sour cream.

Tomato-Avocado Salsa:

1 large tomato, diced
1/4 cup diced red onion
1/2 jalapeno, minced
2-3 TBSP. lime juice
1/4 tsp. salt
1/8 tsp. pepper
1/2 avocado, diced
1/4 cup cilantro, chopped
Pinch of cayenne, if desired

Combine first 6 ingredients in medium bowl.

Stir in avocado and cilantro. Add cayenne, if using.

Serves 2.


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Chase Moulton came up from Pensacola, FL to do some fishing with his uncle, Ronnie Spittle of LaPlata, MD and ended up with 3 flounder between 18 and 19-inches. The flatties were caught on Gulp! and minnow combinations in the bay behind the Ocean City Airport.

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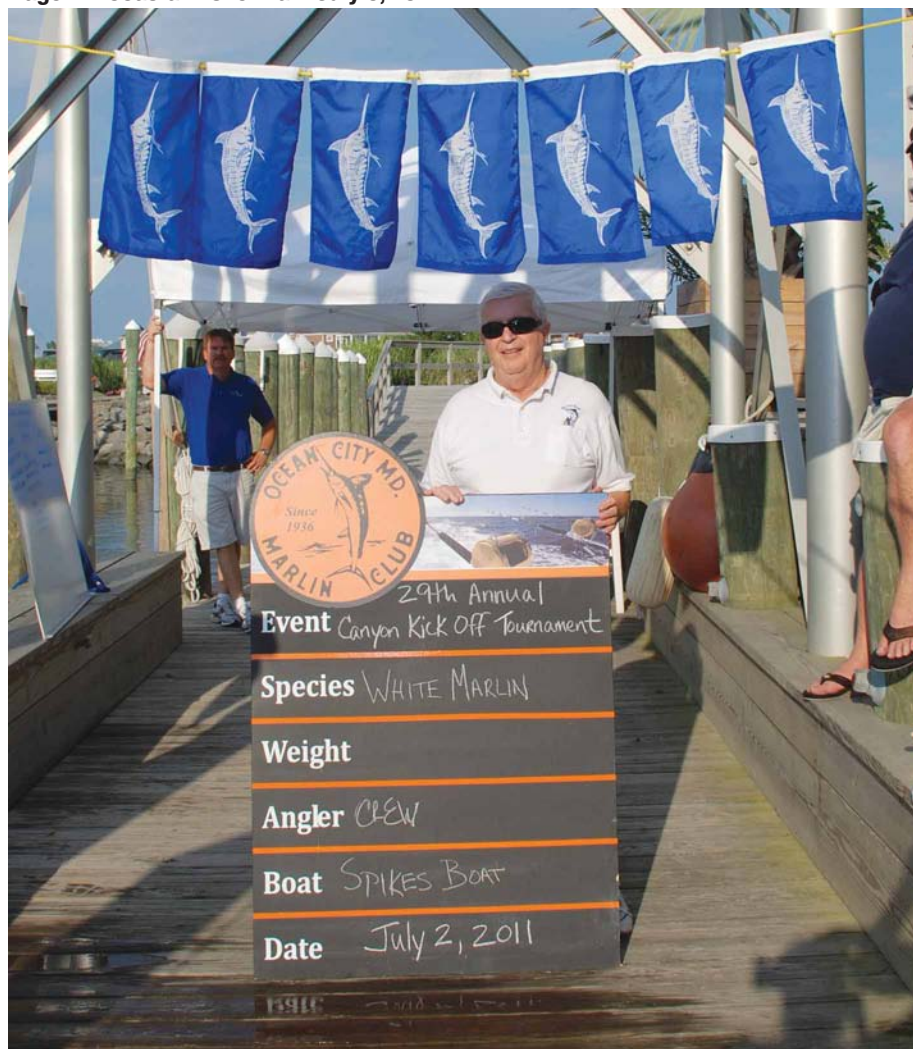
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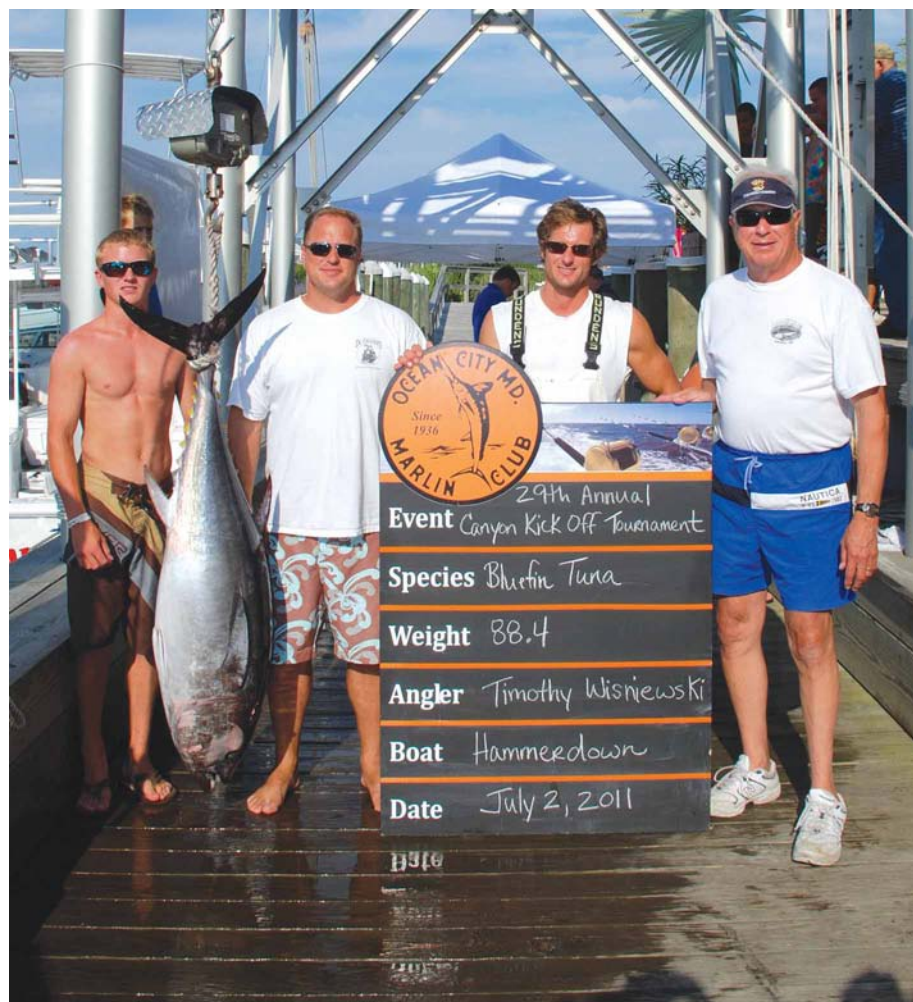
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On the 2nd day of the 29th Annual Ocean City Marlin Club Canyon Kick-Off, anglers on "Spike's Boat" released 7 white marlin in the Washington Canyon and held on to win 1st place in the Billfish Release Division. The crew consisted of Capt. Don Speicher (pictured), Abby Hopsin, Jason Bohlen and Carole Speicher. The marlin were hooked while trolling ballyhoo and won the crew \$4,500 in award money. Pictured at Sunset Marina.



On Saturday, Steve Martyn of West Ocean City, MD landed a 34 lb. dolphin to win 1st place in the Dolphin Division of the Ocean City Marlin Club Canyon Kick-Off. Steve was fishing on the "Vapor Trail" with Erick Martyn, Jay Martyn and Brandon Eckerd. The winning dolphin, along with an 18.8 pounder, were hooked on spreader bars in the Baltimore Canyon and won the "Vapor Trail" crew \$2,562 in award money. Pictured at Sunset Marina.



Timothy Wisniewski of Salisbury, MD caught an 88.4 lb. bluefin tuna to win 1st place in the Bluefin Division of the 29th Annual Canyon Kick-Off. Timothy caught the winning fish at the Parking Lot while fishing on the "Hammer Down" with Richie Willinger, Tom Wisniewski and Capt. Chris Wisniewski. The 1st place fish earned the crew \$1,080 in award money. Pictured at Sunset Marina.



During the first 2 days of fishing in the 29th Annual Ocean City Marlin Club Canyon Kick-Off, Bob Keeney, Matt Keeney, David Conner and Jaclyn Childers each released a white marlin while fishing on the "Brenda Lou" with Steven Pilibauskis and Capt. Frank Goodhart and won 2nd place in the Billfish Release Division. The fish were hooked on ballyhoo in the Poor Man's Canyon and won the crew \$1,440 in award money. Pictured at Sunset Marina.



On the first day of the 29th Annual Canyon Kick-Off, Judy Duffie (not pictured) landed a 27.6 lb. dolphin to win 2nd place in the Dolphin Division. Judy was fishing on the "Billfisher" with Danny Gough, Sam Lancelotte, Capt. Jon Duffie and mate John Prather. Judy also released a white marlin during the trip to the Poor Man's Canyon where they also boated a 40.6 lb. yellowfin and a 20.2 lb. dolphin. The 2nd place finish was worth \$9,329 in award money. Pictured at Sunset Marina.



Second place in the winner-take-all Bluefin Division was won by Frank Watkins of Ocean Pines, MD for the 43 lb. bluefin he captured on the 1st day of the 2011 Canyon Kick-Off. Frank was fishing on the "Dolphin Seeker" with Frank Usavage of Ocean City, MD, Al Kindley from Ocean Pines, MD and John Kindley from Bel Air, MD. The bluefin was hooked on a ballyhoo in Massey's Canyon. Pictured at Sunset Marina.

29th Annual Canyon Kick-Off

July 1-3, 2011



Dolphin Division

1st Place
"Vapor Trail"
34 lbs.
\$2,562

2nd Place
"Billfisher"
27.6 lbs.
\$9,329

3rd Place
"Dilligaf"
21.2 lbs.
\$503

Bluefin Division (Winner Take All)

1st Place
"Hammer Down"
88.4 lbs.
\$1,080

2nd Place
"Dolphin Seeker"
43.0 lbs.
\$0

Wahoo Division
None Weighed

63 Boats Registered
Total Prize Money: \$53,280

Billfish Release Division

1st Place
"Spike's Boat"
7 White Marlin released
Last fish released at 9:04 a.m.

Days 2 & 3
\$4,500

2nd Place
"Brenda Lou"
4 White Marlin released
Last fish released at 1:50 pm
Days 1 & 2
\$1,440

3rd Place
"Always Late"
3 White Marlin released
1 Blue Marlin released
Last fish released at 1:36 pm
Days 2 & 3
\$2,079

Meatfish (Tuna) Division

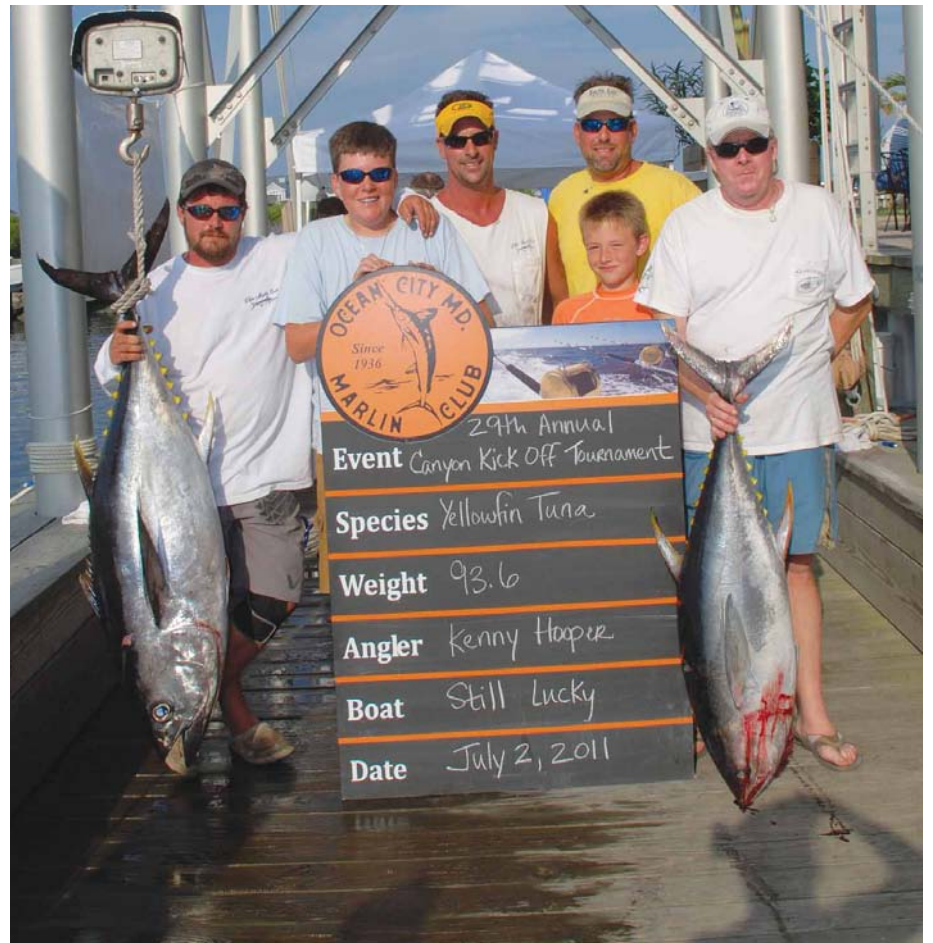
1st Place
"Stress Reel-ief"
142.6 lbs.
\$20,740

2nd Place
"Stress Reel-ief"
99.4 lbs.
\$3,080

3rd Place
"Still Lucky"
93.6 lbs.
\$0



The last boat to hit the scales at the 29th Annual Ocean City Marlin Club Canyon Kick-Off was the "Dilligaf" with Sandy Crickenberger's 21.2 lb. dolphin, good enough to win 3rd place in the Dolphin Division. Sandy was fishing with Fred Crickenberger and Fred Crickenberger, Jr. when she hooked the dolphin on a green machine in Massey's Canyon. The 3rd place dolphin was worth \$503 in award money. Weighed at Sunset Marina.



On the 2nd day of the 2011 Ocean City Marlin Club Canyon Kick-Off, Kenny Hooper of Bishopville, MD muscled in a 93.6 lb. yellowfin tuna to win 3rd place in the Tuna Division. Kenny was fishing on the "Still Lucky" with Lucas Weber, Cory Lednum, Bryant Danner, Steve Lednum and Capt. Andrew Weber. The 3rd place tuna, along with a 56.6 pounder, were caught in the Poor Man's Canyon. Weighed at Sunset Marina.



Alex Moser from Lancaster, PA, Bill Kunkel from Wellsville, PA, Sam and William Elicker from Dillsburg, PA, Richard Vance from Gettysburg, PA and John Brawley from Kingston, PA returned to the Ocean City Fishing Center with 3 yellowfins, 1 white marlin release and a blue marlin release. The anglers were fishing on the "Jade II" with Capt. Ed Kaufman and mate Will Hathaway. The fish were hooked in 100 fathoms at the south end of the Poor Man's Canyon where Capt. Ed reported water temperatures at 77-degrees.



Jack Shandrowski, Craig Childres, Dave Vach, Mike DeLuca, Jr. and Mike DeLuca, III returned to the Ocean City Fishing Center with a blue marlin release, 4 yellowfin tuna and a dolphin after spending the day fishing on the "Playmate" with Capt. Jeremy Shandrowski and mate Paul Daisey. The fish were caught in 70 fathoms on the north tip of the Poor Man's Canyon on Sunday. The blue marlin was estimated to weigh 400 lbs.



Tony and Cody Maddox from York, PA, Matt, John and Will Keller from Selbyville, DE and Bob Bolties from York, PA returned to the Ocean City Fishing Center with 3 keeper flounder in the box of the "Get Sum" with Capt. Nick Clemente and mate Lizzy Brittingham. The fish were caught on Gulp! artificial baits and the largest flattie measured 21.5-inches.

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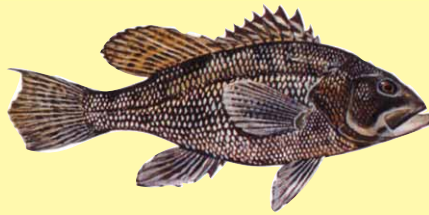
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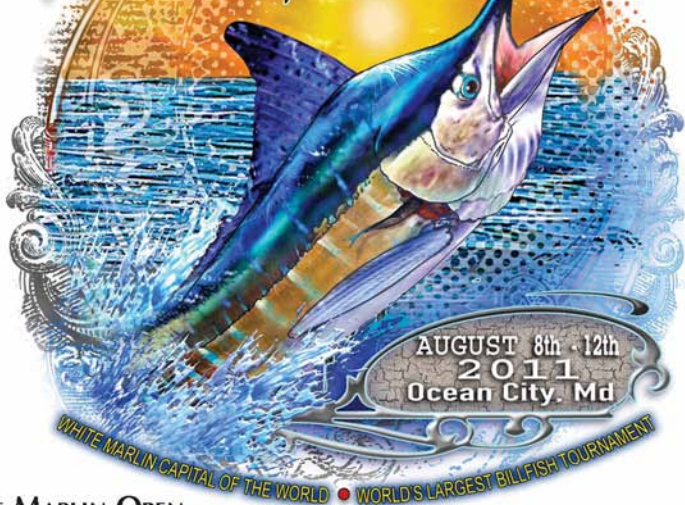


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Mike Mesol, John Hall, Brian Pruitt, Jon Marsicano, Tony McClendon, Lynn Nixon and Joe New landed a nice size bluefin tuna during a trip aboard the "Binnacle" with Capt. Rick Grapes. The fish hit a Binnacle Tackle bullet head at the Jackspot. Pictured at the Ocean City Fishing Center.



Keith Kaler from Catonsville, MD landed a 38 lb. dolphin while fishing on the "Baits Motel" with Tim Callender, Jerry Holz, Ryan Kaler and George Smith. The big bull dolphin, along with a bluefin tuna were caught on chuggers in the Washington Canyon. Pictured at Sunset Marina.

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Bob Murphy pulled this 8 lb. 1 oz. flounder from Site 10 while fishing on the "Katy Did" with Capt. Brent Wiest and mate Dave Walker. Bob fooled the big flattie with a squid and minnow combination. Weighed at Lewes Harbour Marina.

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On Friday, the crew on the "Banshee 2" returned to Fisherman's Marina with 11 yellowfin and 1 dolphin in the box along with a white marlin release by Tom Hook of St. Mary's County, MD. Fishing with Tom were Alex Evitts, Ryan Selph, Bruce Henderson and Bill Peterson, all from St. Mary's County, Capt. D.J. Churchill and mate Jake Graves (pictured). The fish were caught on ballyhoo and spreader bars in the Poor Man's Canyon.

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Awards Banquet: July 4, 1-3 p.m.

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Fishing Days: (1 of 2) August 5 & August 6

Awards Banquet: August 6, 6:30-9 p.m.

53rd Annual Labor Day White Marlin Tournament

NO OCMC MEMBERSHIP NEEDED TO PARTICIPATE

Chairmen: Bob Wimbrow & Bill Fenwick

Registration: September 1, 6:30 p.m.

Fishing Days: (2 of 3) September 2, 3, & 4

Awards Banquet: September 4, 6:30-9 p.m.

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NO OCMC MEMBERSHIP NEEDED TO PARTICIPATE

Chairmen: Bill Regan, Annette Cropper, & Pat Svehla

Registration: July 22, 6:30 p.m.

Fishing Days: (1 or 2 of 2) July 23 & July 24

Cook-Out: July 16, 6:30 p.m. for Wish-A-Fish Kids

Carnival & Awards Banquet: July 24, 5-8 p.m.

33rd Annual Challenge Cup

Chairmen: Jon Duffie & Pat Svehla

Registration: September 15, 7 p.m.

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Awards Banquet: September 17, 6:30-9 p.m.

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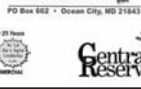
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Delaware Fishing Report

by Rick Willman



Hi folks! I hope everyone had a happy and safe July 4th holiday!

Fishing and crabbing was a great way to spend the weekend. Back bay reports consisted of throwback flounder with a few keepers in the mix. A few croakers and some blowfish also gave it up for anglers. Minnows, squid, and Berkley GULP! again seemed to be the hot baits.

Dave Carroll of Wilmington, DE fished in the Indian River Bay and used a minnow to trick a 7 lb. 10 oz. citation flattie to come aboard for a ride home.

Inshore fishing has been improving for those soaking baits on the ocean bottom. Sea bass action is still slow but flounder activity is picking up. A lot of short flatties are being caught but the number of keepers are improving. Site #10, the "DB" Buoy and "DA" Buoy areas are the places to be along with the



Dave Carroll of Wilmington, DE used a minnow to fool this 7 lb. 10 oz., 23.5-inch flounder while fishing in the Indian River Bay. Weighed at Rick's Bait & Tackle.

Old Grounds. Try to find areas with some sort of structure on the bottom to make the most of your efforts.

The Indian River Inlet is still producing stripers. The most productive times are the end of an early morning or late night incoming tide. Flounder and blues are also being caught in the Inlet.

Capt. Bill Baker at Bill's Sport Shop reminds us the striped slot season opened Friday in the Delaware Bay and its tributaries. Anglers can catch 2 fish between 20 and 26 inches only. Tog season is open July 1st until August 31st. The size limit is 14 inches and you may keep 10 per angler per day.

Bill Jr., of Bill's Sport Shop, fished Massey's Landing and on his third cast he landed a 22" flounder using Marty's bucktails and flies. The last cast of the day produced a 20" flounder on a spec rig and Gulp!

David Souders of Harrington, DE nailed a 24.5-inch, 5.45 pound flounder at the Indian River Inlet on a fly. Ryan Corsiatto of Middletown MD, caught his limit of flounder, all over 20 inches. He went to the Inner Wall, the Pier and Roosevelt Inlet fishing chartreuse and pink Gulp! artificial baits.

Surf fishing was a little on the slow side with crabs stealing the bait, but Joe Noel and Bill Weiss managed to beach spot and croaker by the old Life Saving Station using Maws Tails #6 hooks tipped with bunker.

Deanna at Hook'em and Cook'em Bait and Tackle in the Indian River Marina said that flounder fishing remained steady with more keepers coming to the docks. Most anglers are using squid and minnows, Gulp! baits as well as live spot. The minnows and the Gulp! will get you more of the smaller variety and the live spot are hooking larger flatties. We have still seen some rockfish.

Striped bass are being caught with flies or live spot, mostly at night.

The Canyons have been producing a lot of nice yellowfin tuna this year. They seem to be closer to us this year and not as far south. The boats are generally fishing between the Wilmington and Baltimore Canyons. Some are stopping in the Poor Man's. There have also been some nice size dolphin caught. Kelly Horning, from the "Fish Whistle" caught a beautiful 42.6 lb. mahi.

The inshore bite has started to pick up with more keeper sea bass coming in, as well as the return of triggerfish.

Surf fishing hasn't changed from previous weeks. Small king fish and an occasional blowfish on bloodworms are being caught.

Joe Morris at Lewes Harbour Marina said tuna action was still a hot topic at the dock. The yellowfin bite was good in the Baltimore Canyon at the beginning of the week, but shifted south as the week wore on. By the weekend, tuna seemed to be more plentiful at the south end of the Poor Man's. Early in the week, the "Katy Did" had an awesome offshore trip. Their group trolled up a limit of 21 yellowfins weighing up to 51.7 pounds and released a white marlin near the 250 line in 75 fathoms. Ed Sigda and the gang on the "Snow Goose" kept 5 good-sized yellowfins and released 8 others between the Baltimore and Poor Man's on Saturday.

Numerous billfish were reportedly mixed in among tuna. "Rockfish Ed" Healy released a pair of blue marlin during a single trip to the south end of the Poor Man's. Rick Fisher and crew kept a pair of yellowfins and some dolphin, and released a 300-pound class blue marlin after an extended battle on a 30-pound outfit in the Poor Man's on Saturday.

Big dolphin have shown up in warm water too. Chris Ragni and Jimmy Kersey brought in a pair of magnum mahi weighing 38 and 32 lbs. that they caught trolling on the 461 lump.

Inshore trolling boats found bluefins at the 19 Fathom Lump, Hambone, Jackspot and as close as the 12 Fathom Lump outside Delaware Light. Dolphin and triggerfish were also hanging out around Delaware Light. Bluefins were landed by crews anchored and chunking butterfish at Massey's Canyon as well.

Boaters drifting rough bottom of the Old Grounds between "DB" and "DA" Buoys had success with flounder. Reef Sites 9 and 10 gave up flatties too. Anglers on the "Katy Did" put 24 keeper fluke in the box on Saturday. Captain Carey's fishermen on the "Grizzly" got 13 keepers at Site 10 on Thursday. Flounder were found on Delaware Bay reefs as well, but the bite was not consistent. Drift conditions in the Bay were tough around the new moon. Joe Walker, Tom Coyle, Larry Coyle and Barry Gerhard managed 12 keeper fluke at the Star Site on

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Tuesday. Flounder continue to come from Lewes Canal and near the Ferry Jetty and Inner Wall. Gulp! was the hot bait.

Linesiders were caught in the Lewes Canal around the drawbridge using eels, clams, cut tuna bloodline and topwater poppers. Rockfish were hooked by boaters casting Rat-L-Traps and Storm Shads, or live eels and spot around the Outer Wall and Ice Breakers at night.

Tog season reopened July 1st, and good numbers of tautog were pulled from the rocks of the Outer Wall and Inshore wrecks. Bill Bonniwell boated an 11.69-pound bruiser blackfish aboard the "Indian" on opening day.

Sheepshead have shown up with warm water. Kyusok Yi captured a whopping 12.54-pound sheepshead using crab at the Ice Breakers. Folks on the rails at Cape Henlopen pier got into spot and croakers using bloodworms and Fishbites.

Until next week, have fun and be safe!

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



Kyusok Yi reeled in the heaviest sheepshead landed in Delaware this year, a 12.54 pounder, while fishing with box crabs at the Ice Breakers. Weighed at Lewes Harbour Marina.



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Greg Robinson of Ocean View, DE caught and released his first white marlin in 500 fathoms in the Baltimore Canyon. Greg was fishing with Richard Fischer and Hank Draper, both from Milton, DE.

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Ship To Shore

by Pat Schrawder



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In today's world of electronics, it's all about computers. Practically everything has some computer controlled feature, including your ship's electronics. Unless you have a full power outage at your house, you're going to be fine. Your boat is a little bit of a different situation.

DC voltage on your boat varies a lot. Every item you have that puts a drain on your batteries can add up to a critical situation on board. If your alternator is operating properly, you should be able to overcome power insufficiencies. However, your alternators are only working when your engine(s) is running, and running your engines all day is costly. In addition, because of

the computerized nature of many of today's marine electronics, a temporary dip in voltage supply caused by starting your engines can wreak havoc with your equipment causing it to scramble its microprocessors programming.

One company has cornered the market on a variety of devices to prevent voltage problems. The company is NewMar. Widely known for their line of battery chargers and conditioners, they produce much more. They can be found online at www.newmarpower.com if you want to check out all of their products. I'd like to focus on just two of them right now.

First is their "Start Guard" backup power supply. Measuring roughly 8" x 5" x 4",

this small powerhouse provides supplemental voltage to connected devices when the engine is started to eliminate problems caused by temporary low voltage. Similar in design and purpose to a backup power supply for your home computer, it contains a sealed rechargeable battery that provides power to your electronics whenever the starter switch or solenoid on your boat is engaged. Once your engine is running, it switches off automatically and begins recharging itself with your boat's alternator. It is simple to hook up, small in size and weight (5 pounds) and relatively inexpensive, retailing for \$215.00. It provides 20 amps of backup so you can easily calculate how many items you can connect to any one unit.

Similar to the "Start Guard" is their "Nav-Pac" power conditioner/noise filter/spike protector". In fact, it's almost like a deluxe Start Guard in that it does what the Start Guard does but has some additional features. For one, it includes a filter that reduces electrical interference (noise) coming from other sources on your boat and it absorbs line spikes from motors and alternators. One feature that is particularly nice is the remote monitor panel that is included with the main unit. It shows power input and output as well as level of "Nav-Pac" engagement.

The "Nav-Pac" provides back up power for 15 minutes for 7 amps, 8 minutes for 10 amps, 2 minutes for 15 amps and 1 minute for 20 amps. To

give you an idea of how this works out, a typical VHF draws 5 amps on transmit and considerably less on receive. A GPS plotter draws around 2 or 3 amps and an LCD fishfinder about the same. If you want to figure out just how much your equipment draws, you can find it listed in the manual or brochure. You're looking for amps, but if your unit's specifications show watts instead, you can do the math using Ohm's Law or go to any number of websites to do the calculation for you. One such site is: <http://www.sengpielaudio.com/calculator-ohm.htm>.

Clearly, the "Nav-Pac" is not designed to take the place of your ship's batteries but rather to supply temporary power for short bursts. Of course, today's electronics typically draw very little current as stated above. This unit obviously costs more than the "Start Guard" because it does more. The "Nav-Pac" retails for \$439.00. It is also simple to install and comes with full instructions on how to do so.

Both of these units are excellent devices. You might want to consider adding one or the other to your electronics package to keep your equipment running at its peak and reduce the chances of needless service calls.

Pat and her husband, Larry are owners of L&L Marine Electronics on Golf Course Road in West Ocean City, MD.

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John Jewer was fishing with Bill Bundy and brothers Anthony and Giovanni when Anthony landed this 18.5-inch flounder. The two junior anglers caught a total of 6 flounder during the trip.



Charles Braught was fishing on the "G-Force" with John Kleinfelter, Gavin Obetz, Seth Obetz and Capt. Mike Davidson when he caught his first dolphin while trolling at the Hambone.

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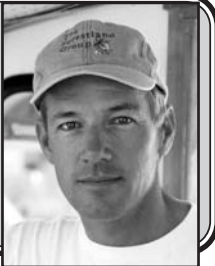
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Chum Lines

by Capt. Mark Sampson



Last week I took a client out who had a goal to take a shark on a fly. We could have fished anywhere but I chose to fish the Jackspot because between baitfish and bigger fish there has been so much activity there that I thought the shoal might also hold some of the toothy predators. I also figured that while we were at it, he might get a shot or two at bonito, dolphin and if we were really lucky maybe even a tuna. When we arrived, I noted that the current was running to the south which gave me the idea to set up in the shallow water on the south side of the shoal so that our chum would flow over the drop-off and into the deeper water on the premise that bigger fish would be cruising along the edge waiting to ambush baitfish that were holding up on the shoal. We hoped that sharks or other fish would get a whiff of our chum, follow it up onto the shoal and hopefully be willing to take one of our flies.

Both offshore and inshore shoals can be extremely productive places to catch fish, but the dynamics of what goes on over and around any particular shoal can change dramatically from day to day and sometimes hour to hour.

Anglers who get up on a shoal and without any specific plan or forethought fish just any old place might get lucky and pull off a catch, but they might also wind up hooking nothing while just 50-yards away there's an underwater feeding frenzy going on without them ever knowing it. Simply because someone caught a bunch of fish in one location on or around a shoal one day doesn't mean that they'll be able to experience the same action a couple weeks or even a couple days later. Tide, current, water depths, changes in water temperatures and even the presence or absence of birds or other predators can effect the actions of baitfish and big fish on or near a shoal and anglers who understand even a little of what might be going on beneath the waves will have a better chance to be there when the action is happening.

Back bay shoals, or "sandbars" as they are so often called, are typically avoided by most fishermen in fear of having their boat damaged or at best "stuck" in the shallow water. Besides, who would ever think that a patch of bottom that's visible at low tide would hold anything but crabs, shrimp, and little minnows? But it's the very

presence of those little critters that gives the bigger fish a reason to want to be there as well. Probably because there is less chance that they will be ambushed from below, natural bait uses the shallow water as a refuge from larger predators. Big fish know this and when the tide is low will often patrol the edges of the shoals watching for bait that strays too far from their refuge. As the tide begins to rise, big fish will often follow it up onto the shoals to feed. Even though during a full high tide some shoals might still be too shallow for a big fish to feel comfortable (they're always afraid of becoming a meal for something as well), many will have little troughs or depressions that might be a foot or maybe just a few inches deeper than the rest of the shoal and allow big fish access and a place to set up an ambush spot.

The rising tide can be a good time for anglers to be in the deeper water casting up onto the shoal, or to move their boat very quietly up on the shoal and cast to the depressions and troughs. Big fish in shallow water are always on high alert, not just for their next meal, but also for signs of danger that might send them darting off to the deep. So when targeting fish on a shoal, it's always crucial that anglers approach these areas as slowly and as stealthy as possible.

As the tide begins to fall, big fish will slip off the top of shoal and often take a position along the edge where they can face into the flow and watch for bait that's being swept along by the receding water. Under these conditions, anglers will usually find that they'll get the best action by positioning themselves up on the shoal and working their baits or lures into the current from deep to shallow water.

Besides being a place for big fish to find or ambush prey, shoals also act as travel corridors that help fish find their way from one location to the next. This in itself can make the edge of a shoal a productive place to drop anchor in hopes of hooking fish as they cruise on by.

Offshore shoals provide some of the same dynamics

found in the shallow bays, but there are some notable differences, particularly when it comes to water depths. In the ocean we don't have to worry about running aground and no matter how low the tide gets the shoal is not going to stick out of the water. The nearshore shoals might rise from 60 to 25 feet, the Jackspot goes from 110 to 55 feet and the Hot Dog from 140 to maybe 85 feet on the top, so in most cases big fish can be found on offshore shoals even during low tides. A very notable aspect of many offshore shoals are the rips or upwellings that occur when the current rushes across the sudden changes in depth. These conditions can consolidate and push plankton and other small food up to the schools of hungry baitfish that are so often found over or around the offshore shoals. While inshore the baitfish might consider the shallows to be a sanctuary, offshore they're more of a cafeteria. Either way, from an angling standpoint all we have to know is "where there's bait there's going to be predators" and that's just one of the reasons why offshore shoals can at times be very productive places to fish.



That's also why we chose the Jackspot for last week's fly-fishing foray. How'd it work out? Well, my client didn't get his mako, although he did get multiple casts off to a couple of hammerheads and spinner sharks that apparently wanted "meat" not "feathers" for lunch. He did land a bunch of little bonito, a dolphin and as luck would have it - a bluefin tuna. Never underestimate the virtues of a good shoal!

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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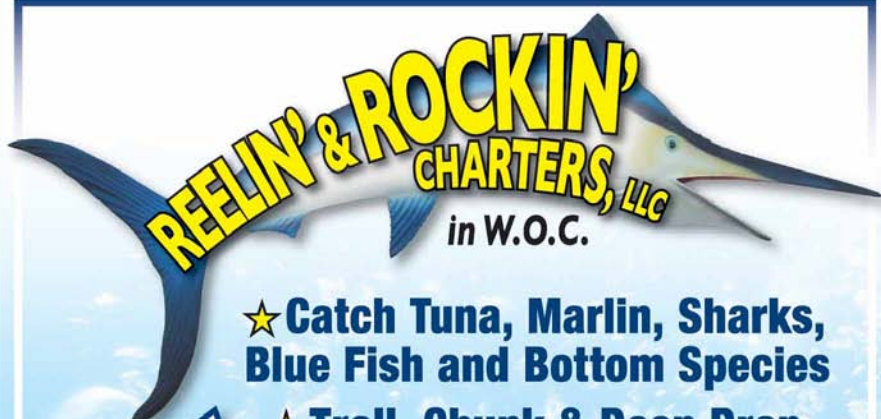
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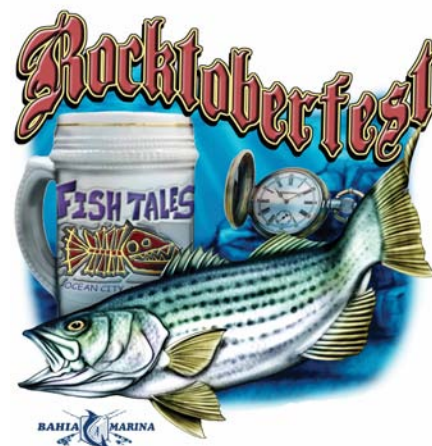
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Virginia Fishing Report

Dr. Julie Ball
I.G.F.A Representative



Fishing has been explosive and this positive trend should continue with flounder leading the way.

The flatfish action really picked up last week, with limits of keepers becoming common. Several fish are pushing to over 7-pounds, with a few going to over 10-pounds. The big doormats are falling for live bait presented near structure, while 2-ounce jig heads adorned with plastics or Gulps! are a good choice for jigging around the pilings. Strip baits are also producing some decent fish on the outgoing tide. Lynnhaven Inlet is producing catches up to 24-inches, especially for anglers wading near the Lesner Bridge. Don at Ocean's East 2 recommends a tandem style rig with strip bait or plastics. According to the folks at Chris' Bait and Tackle, the action around Buoy 36 and the Cell is

consistent recently, with keepers the norm.

The cobia bite is on again, off again. Although a few days of decent activity showed promise, it is not where it has been in recent years. Folks are beginning to speculate about the menhaden boats which have been working the lower Bay area for about two months. The thought is that the lack of bait could be affecting the fish's food chain. Sightcasters are still working hard for their fish, while chummers are having better luck, but the fish are ranging on the smaller side. The Inner Middle Grounds and Latimer Shoal areas are providing the best results on live and cut bait.

The Spanish mackerel scene is a hot topic right now. Folks trolling the Virginia Beach shorelines are finding good limits of big Spanish and a

smattering of tailor bluefish. Small silver and gold spoons weighted with in-line sinkers or small planers will do the trick. Spanish are hitting off Cape Henry and near the islands of the CBBT. Tailor blues along with a few flounder and croaker are available within Rudee Inlet.

Tautog are back in the picture and showing with a bang. Tog are available along the structure of the CBBT and on most inshore wrecks. Sheepshead action is still going strong, with boats finding dozens of willing fish. Clam and fiddler crabs work well for both tog and sheepshead, but one of my sources advises "don't have a heart attack if you can't get fiddlers!" Many folks are scoring with other offerings such as sea clams, mussels and hard crabs for sheeps and tog. Joe Hudgins of Chesapeake took the lead in the state for this year with a huge 14-pound sheepshead he caught while fishing at the CBBT last week.

Spadefish are pretty much everywhere. The Chesapeake Light Tower and the 3rd and 4th Islands of the CBBT are giving up some fish, with most averaging around 4 to 5-pounds. A few fish over 7-pounds were also boated last week.

Although red drum are becoming more elusive, a few big reds are still taking baits intended for cobia near the CBBT. Black drum continue to bite grubs around the artificial islands of the Bridge Tunnel.

Croaker are an easy target throughout the lower Bay, with some fish pushing 1.5 pounds near the Bay Bridge Tunnel and the Cell. The flurry of anglers rushing into Oyster is an indication that the hardheads made their debut in their back waters. A few rumored tarpon hook-ups are also encouraging anglers to frequent their secret tarpon holes off Oyster last week. Nice bluefish ranging to 30-inches continue to take offerings of live bait tossed near the Little Creek jetties.

Amberjack are a good bet at the southern towers and several offshore wrecks. Live bait is working well, while jigs are also a good alternative. Deep droppers are still finding plenty of tilefish, wreckfish and blackbelly rosefish. Sea bass are available on the near shore wrecks as well as structures to around 30-miles out.

The offshore season is really taking off. Billfish are making a good showing, but the tuna action is claiming most of the attention. Plenty of yellowfin from 60 to 80-pounds are making a good presentation, along with big gaffer dolphin ranging to over 25-pounds. Good numbers of bluefin tuna are also adding to the menu, with fish up to 100-pounds hitting spreads, especially near the Fingers lately. A few bigeye tuna and mako sharks are also in the mix. One bigeye hit the deck last week at an impressive 228-pounds after a 2.5-hour battle. For more information, go to www.drjball.com.

Dr. Julie Ball is the I.G.F.A representative for Virginia Beach, VA. For more information, go to www.drjball.com.

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Sam Fisher, captain of the "Right Hook" is pictured at the scale with his crew that took 1st place in the MSSA Tuna-Ment with a 111.4 lb. bluefin tuna. The team took home \$10,854 for their catch. Pictured at Wachapreague Marina.



In the 22nd Annual MSSA Tuna-Ment, the crew on the "Lady Luck V" won 1st place in the Dolphin Division with their 3 heaviest mahi totaling 72.8 lbs (32.5, 22.3 & 18 lbs.). The crew consisted of Keith Peters of Bel Air, MD, Mike Altadonna from Bel Air, MD, Melissa Sexton from Berlin, MD, Capt. Tommy Baldwin and mate Austin Ensor. The fish were caught on ballyhoo in the Washington Canyon and were worth \$960 in award money. Pictured at Sunset Marina.



Steve Ramsey from Forest Hill, MD muscled in this 108.3 lb. bluefin tuna to win 2nd place in the Tuna Division of the MSSA Tuna-Ment held over the weekend at Sunset Marina. Steve was fishing on the "Lady Luck V" with Mark Ensor, Kenny Peters, Capt. Tommy Baldwin and mate Austin Ensor. The fish was caught in 20 fathoms near the Lumpy Bottom on a ballyhoo and was worth \$4,253 in award money. The crew also landed a couple of 13 lb. dolphin during the trip. Pictured at Sunset Marina.

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Heaviest Tuna Division

1 st Place	2 nd Place
Sam Fisher	Steve Ramsey
"Right Hook"	"Lady Luck V"
111.4 lb. Bluefin Tuna	108.3 lb. Bluefin Tuna
\$10,854	\$4,253
3rd Place	
Tony Tolbard	
89.9 lb. Bluefin Tuna	
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Heaviest Dolphin Division (3 heaviest fish)

1st Place
Crew
"Lady Luck V"
72.8 lbs.
\$960

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Thirteen yellowfin tuna were captured by anglers Drew Brady, Demi Moon, Steve Johnson, Russell Spameni, Steve Hubbard and Dave Talbot while fishing on "That's Right" with Capt. John Oughton and mate Joe Bonvetti. The tuna were caught on ballyhoo and spreader bars in 60-100 fathoms at the south end of the Poor Man's Canyon. Pictured at Fisherman's Marina.



Charles and Shelby Weber from Mount Joy, PA landed these 3 keeper flounder while drifting shiners in the East Channel on Saturday. The anglers were fishing on the "Happy Hooker" with Capt. Stephen Whitelock. Pictured at the Talbot Street Pier.

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Summertime.....and the Fishing is Easy

I was down at the beach for vacation last week, and had a chance to casually get around to observe all that was happening first hand. My wife and I spent one evening over at Sunset Marina checking out the flags flying from the offshore fleet and the catches that came in. We spent other opportunities to walk the beaches of Assateague and Ocean City in late afternoon and evenings and talk to the surf fishermen. We also dropped by the Rt. 50 Bridge and Gudelsky Park too. Purposefully, I did not pick up a rod myself. I wanted to just soak in what others were up to and see how they were doing and observe how much their fishing experience meant to them. I came away with a really good feeling for what fishing meant for the various people I chatted with. Whether it was the gentlemen on 128th street that was down from Pennsylvania for the week with family, and he was

fishing with his 12 year old daughter on the beach for a couple of hours, or it was a retiree from Ocean Pines catching the prime first two hours of the flood tide on the Rt. 50 bridge for flounder. They all had a common theme. While catching fish was desirable, these folks were all clearly "breaking away" from the day to day grind, and their time fishing was as much therapeutic as anything else. Did it matter if they caught fish? Maybe. But at the end of the day, all of them were clearly enjoying their time. Some to be with others, some just to be alone and relax, and others like the group I talked to at Sunset arriving back to dock with several yellowfin were really looking for the camaraderie with some friends they only see once in a great while. And it was also clear to me that Ocean City is a unique place that offers these opportunities for folks of all means. George Gershwin surely had his own meaning when he composed 1935's "Summertime", but for me, it

came to mind observing all the folks enjoying their fleeting time away from the hustle and bustle of everyday life. I'll bring a rod the next time I'm back down.

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Add Bahia Marina at 22nd Street and the Bay in Ocean City, and Buck's Place on Rt. 611 down toward the Assateague Island seashore parks to the list of over a dozen locations where you can buy your fishing license. And just a reminder to those visitors and others that were not aware, Maryland now has a comprehensive saltwater fishing license for anyone that is fishing in our coastal waters (back bays, inlet, surf and waters offshore to 3 miles). If you are fishing in any of these locations and are 16 years of age or older, you will need a fishing license. There are some special exceptions, and more information can be found on Maryland DNR's website: http://dnr.maryland.gov/service/fishing_license.asp.

Maryland DNR Summer Flounder Catch Rate Survey

Last week I mentioned a new, innovative survey being launched by MD DNR under the supervision of Fisheries Service statistician Dr. Linda Barker. The survey is officially underway and will be running through the end of August. DNR is proud to announce that Alltackle.com will be offering two special prizes for anglers that participate by filling out the survey cards and submitting them. A random drawing of submitted survey cards will be made at

the end of each two month long survey. One lucky angler will be chosen to win a gift certificate for \$100 to Alltackle at the end of July and another at the end of August. Additionally, an Alltackle visor (\$20 value) will be sent to each angler submitting a card while supplies last. Special thanks to Keith Fraser and his staff at Alltackle for their support of the survey to compare catch rates of summer flounder between boats arriving at public ramps and private docks and ramps.

Maryland Saltwater Sportfishermen's Association (MSSA) volunteers will distribute simple, easy to fill out survey cards to anglers on the water during their fishing trips, capitalizing on the rapport between fellow anglers. Here is an example of the survey card that will be handed out to other boat fishermen on the water by the MSSA volunteers.

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Mike, Brandon and Kim Ennis from Parsonsburg, MD ended up with 4 yellowfin in the box of the "Intimidator" after spending the day trolling in 80 fathoms in the Baltimore Canyon. The crew also released a blue marlin during the trip.



Patrick O'Donnell from Kensington, MD captured this 28-inch striped bass while fishing on the "Lucky Break" with his dad, John O'Donnell and Capt. Jason Mumford. The striper was fooled with a live spot in the Ocean City Inlet.

Radford Update

I've been providing updates each week on the sinking of USS Radford, a 573-foot long Navy Destroyer for the largest artificial reef on the Atlantic coast. This week's update is for everyone to hold their breath just a little longer. We are still waiting for final approval from the EPA and the United States Coast Guard. We had hoped for the week of July 11th, but as of Friday, July 1st, approval had not been granted. We'll break the news to the readers of the *Coastal Fishermen* just as soon as we know. For now, we remain on hold.

Questions From Coastal Fishermen Readers?

I welcome any questions you may have on fisheries management, sport fishing licenses, or any other fisheries related questions. Please e mail your questions to:
mlgary@dnr.state.md.us

Until next week.....good fishing!

Marty Gary is Assistant Director/Fisheries Ecologist at the Maryland Department of Natural Resources, Fisheries Service.



Fred and Ann Scriba from Millersville, MD, Amy and Mark Shepherd, also from Millersville, MD and Ryan Cury from Washington, DC had a good day fishing on the charter boat "Get Sum" with Capt. Nick Clemente and mate Lizzy Brittingham, returning with 5 keeper flounder in the box. The anglers hooked the flatties on Gulp! Swimming Mulletts in the East Channel and at the mouth of the Commercial Harbor. Pictured at the Ocean City Fishing Center.

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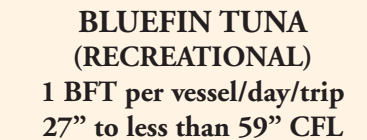
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Don Morey from the City of Brotherly Love caught this 19.25-inch flounder on a live minnow in the East Channel.



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Tautog 	March 30, 2011 Scott Allison Ocean Wreck 19 lbs. 8 oz.	July 2, 2011 William Bonniwell Wreck 11 lbs. 11 oz.	Thresher Shark 	May 29, 2011 Charlie Lutes Fingers 470 lbs.	May 31, 2011 Alex Capozio "DB" Buoy 487 lbs.
Striped Bass 	April 20, 2011 Robert Remo Rt. 50 Bridge 36 lbs.	May 18, 2011 Bill Winkler Indian River Inlet 45 lbs. 2 oz.	Bluefin Tuna 	June 19, 2011 Bill Walls "Restless Lady" 110 lbs.	July 2, 2011 Fran Gessler Baltimore Canyon 89 lbs.
Weakfish 	June 1, 2011 Paul Gillespie East Channel 4 lbs. 6 oz.	No Weights Reported	Yellowfin Tuna 	June 10, 2011 Joe Cox Baltimore Canyon 103 lbs.	June 12, 2011 Tony Burr Wilmington Canyon 90.6 lbs.
Speckled Trout 	No Weights Reported	No Weights Reported	Longfin Tuna 	No Weights Reported	No Weights Reported
Flounder 	May 28, 2011 Bob Spetzler East Channel 8 lbs. 8 oz.	June 17, 2011 Mike Esham Indian River Inlet 9 lbs. 3 oz.	Bigeye Tuna 	May 31, 2011 Aaron Saulsbury Washington Canyon 172.4 lbs.	June 12, 2011 C.C. Lee Wilmington Canyon 157.6 lbs.
Bluefish 	May 21, 2011 Alexa Lamplugh Fingers 14.8 lbs.	June 2, 2011 Lex Robertson 12 Fathom Lump 10 lbs.	Dolphin 	June 30, 2011 Keith Kaler Washington Canyon 38 lbs.	June 18, 2011 Dustin Kope Baltimore Canyon 27.3 lbs.
Sheepshead 	June 18, 2011 Michael Guigley South Jetty 13 lbs.	July 2, 2011 Kysok Yi Ice Breakers 12 lbs. 9 oz.	Wahoo 	No Weights Reported	May 22, 2011 Dave Woods Linden Kohl Canyon 11.9 lbs.
Cobia 	No Weights Reported	No Weights Reported	White Marlin 	July 2, 2011 "Spike's Boat" Washington Canyon 7 releases	Most Releases in One Day June 10, 2011 "Blue Water Obsession" Wilmington Canyon 1 release

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Harrison Mertins, Katie Wilcox, Chase Gasper and Courtney Gasper, all from Alexandria, VA, caught 4 yellowfin tuna during a trip to the Wilmington Canyon aboard the "Amanda Sue" with Capt. Mark Stephens and mate Paul Daisey. All of the fish were caught on trolled ballyhoo. Pictured at Sunset Marina.


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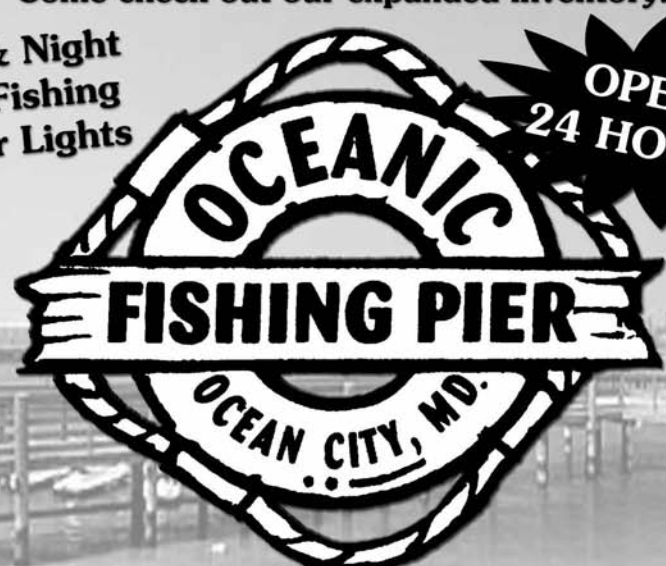
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Fri. July 8	Low 07:59 am Low 08:44 pm	High 01:49 am High 02:33 pm
Sat. July 9	Low 08:53 am Low 09:50 pm	High 02:49 am High 03:36 pm
Sun. July 10	Low 09:50 am Low 09:57 pm	High 03:52 am High 04:40 pm
Mon. July 11	Low 10:49 am Low -----	High 04:55 am High 05:40 pm
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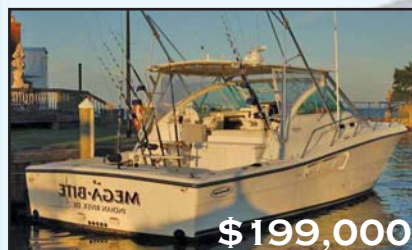
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