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Virginia Beach Anglers' Club

TIGHT LINES

August 2014

Events

Aug 7 Club Meeting The Clubs' own Power Couple **Kevin & Beth Synowiec** will be speaking on catching sheephead!

Aug 9 CCA Club Challenge: a friendly competition amongst the local area angler clubs whose purpose is to raise money for needy children and award club bragging rights. Each club is entitled to enter up to five boats; there is a diverse list of species for anglers to target. We are looking for interested captains and crews for this event. See George Gabriel, Jerry Hughes, or Larry Regula for details.

Aug 10: Summer Pier Tournament #3 on Lynnhaven Pier. Volunteers are always needed to help staff this event! Contact Jerry Hughes at jandmahughes@cox.net or 757-567-8728 to volunteer.

Surf Fishing Report

We have reached the beginning of August which means that tournament time is one month away. The balances of the lodging for the tournaments are as follows:

Hatteras Village – September 4-6
\$51.00 due August meeting

Long Beach Island- September 27
nothing due (approx cost \$125/room/night)

Nags Head – October 8-12
\$52.00 due September meeting

CHAC – November 5-9
\$103.00 due October meeting

Check the team and alternate lists to see who you fish with and when you go. Remember to check your tackle then get to the beach and practice.

Tight Lines, Robbie

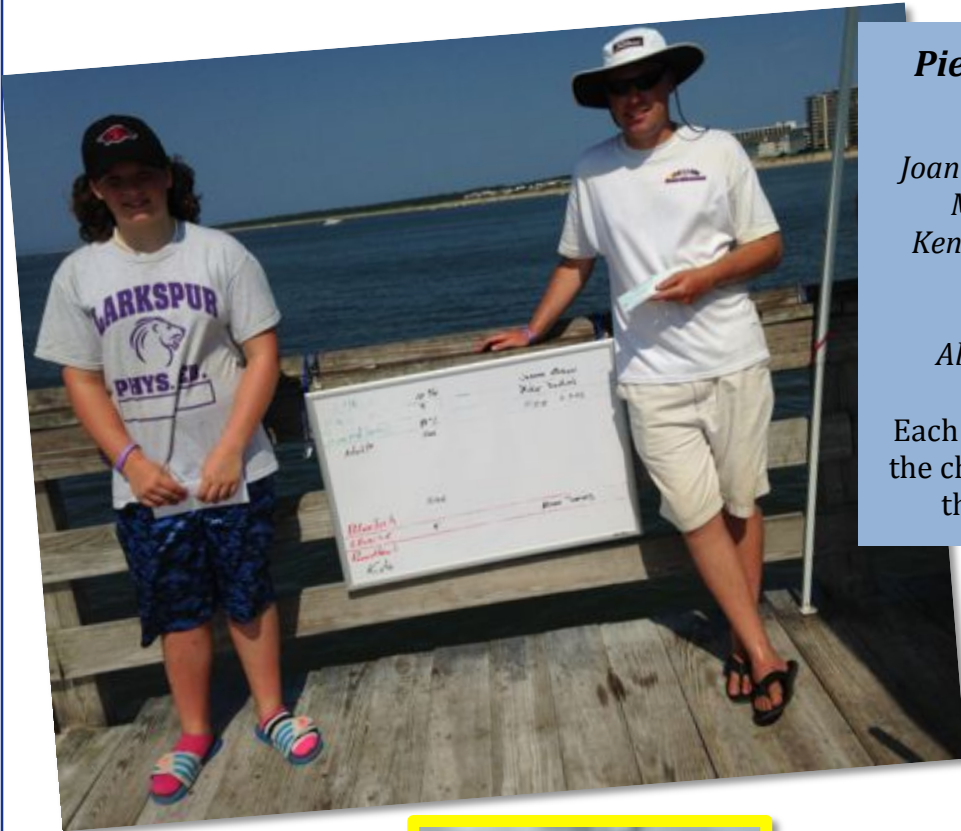
Darlin' Marlin

Fishing report by George Gabriel

July 6th, just a few days after Arthur's glancing blow: Chris Schneider arranged a jaunt aboard the Rebel hailing out of Virginia Beach in an attempt to add scientific data as to whether pelagics go back on the feed after a right hurricane. The formidable crew included Michelle, George Gabriel, and Pete Feds. The seas were calm; the skies were clear- the Rebel motored along at a comfortable pace of 30+ knots. Arriving at the desired fishing grounds in short order, the spread was established and the troll began. Not 15 minutes into our troll, one of the 50's started squealing; the mate promptly shouted "Big Eye", and the battle was on. While the mighty fish was fought by our formidable crew, the spectators were dazzled by the acrobatics of some dolphin not far in the distance. In fact the acrobatic dolphin always seemed to be in the general direction of the "Big Eye" we were battling. After any number of near reel-spooling runs, the captain announced what we were beginning to suspect- our Big Eye was actually the dolphin, foul-hooked by its dorsal fin. We can attest to the fact that trying to safely release a fighting foul-hooked porpoise is no easy feat; but eventually it was achieved. With that out of the way, we continued our troll for tuna. Our resulting contribution to the science of fishing after a hurricane: the tuna weren't interested. So let's try a little bit of deep dropping, the captain suggested. Not long into this endeavor, mighty Pete's rod gets slammed and judging by the expression on his face: it was something huge. The crew gets to watch yet another formidable battle, as Pete reels and deals with this beast of the deep. Some minutes passed, and we saw color. One last hoist by Pete and the 17 ounce tinker mackerel was slashing on the deck of the Rebel. We were confronted by a rather excited captain who yelled for us to put more line down now! I thought to myself "Is this a

madman who commands this ship? He is excited by little tinker mackerel! And we want tuna!" The mate jumped to his captain's command, and more lines were dropped into the depths. Two more mackerel obliged our baits, and again our captain was exuberant. Perhaps our captain knew something we did not, as he yelled for us to bait those tinkers and begin trolling for marlin. Not 15 minutes into the troll and a reel squealed... jumping behind the boat this time was no porpoise, but rather an acrobatic White Marlin. Chris made relative order of the fight, and released a beautiful marlin boat side. No sooner did we get the lines back in the water than "tinkerbell" worked her magic and drew more jumping marlin behind the boat. With two white marlins caught and released and an energetic fish on the line, the captain convinced our crew that white marlin is quite tasty fare. The decision was made to get this one boat side and keep the meat! As our captain promised, white marlin made excellent sushi, and was quite tasty on the Barbi!!!





Pier Tournament Winners

Adults

Joanna Brown Bluefish 10 3/4 inch
 Mike Donlon Croaker 9 inch
 Ken Lake Roundhead 11 7/8 inch

Child

Allison Daniels Croaker 8 inch

Each adult winner received \$50 and the child won a \$50 gift certificate to the Fishing Pier Tackle Shop.

Bob Stuhlman went fishing with George Gabriel on Saturday 7/12/13 and caught numerous sharks, rays, skates and 1 cobia.



Russell Willoughby went looking for shellcrackers and caught a state citation... but he also had an unusual visitor- a hummingbird that landed on his rod!

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RULES

Tournament is open to all.
Rain or shine.

Fish must be caught on the pier during Tournament times and
alive when brought to the judging table.

Winner will be determined by length.

Ties will be determined by earliest entry time.

Winners do not have to present at 4 PM.

All prize money will be awarded. If no entry in a species, prize money will be
divided and awarded to the winner with largest entry in remaining species.



1 Species = \$150 to the winner
2 Species = \$75 each winner
3 Species = \$50 each winner



Child's prize will be for largest fish caught that day from the three species.

Please park in lot across the street from pier in parking slots 22 or greater.

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Boat For Sale

Fellow angler Tony Lundie has passed away, and his wife needs to sell their boat. It is a 2007 26 ft C-Hawk with a full bracket. 225 Optimax with SST Prop. Custom Tuna Tower. Asking price is \$28,000.



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VBAC MISSION & OBJECTIVES

The purpose of the Virginia Beach Anglers' Club is to encourage sport fishing, both freshwater and saltwater, while supporting prudent governmental and other policies that promote the preservation, conservation and ecology of all marine life.

Our objectives are to:

- Monitor legislative and regulatory activities relating to management of local and regional fisheries and participating actively, where appropriate, to assure the adoption of sound management policy and practices that best serve the interests of VBAC members.
- Promote interest and participation in recreational angling by conducting programs and activities that encourage sport fishing.
- Educate members and others in the techniques of sport fishing to enhance their enjoyment of the sport.
- Conduct social activities that create a wholesome climate for deriving the maximum pleasure from sport fishing by members, their families and guests.
- Plan and conduct fundraising activities to provide the revenues needed to support these objectives.

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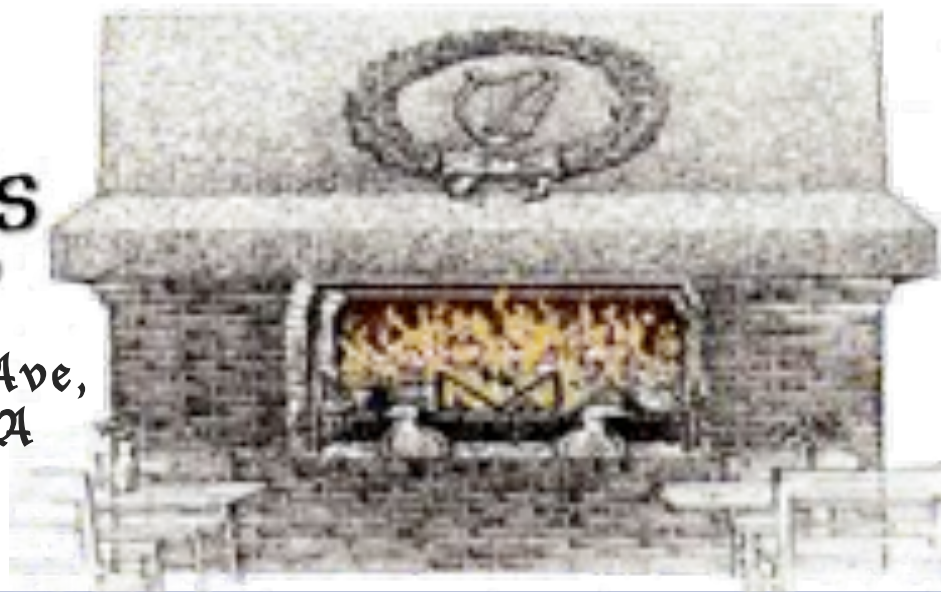
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