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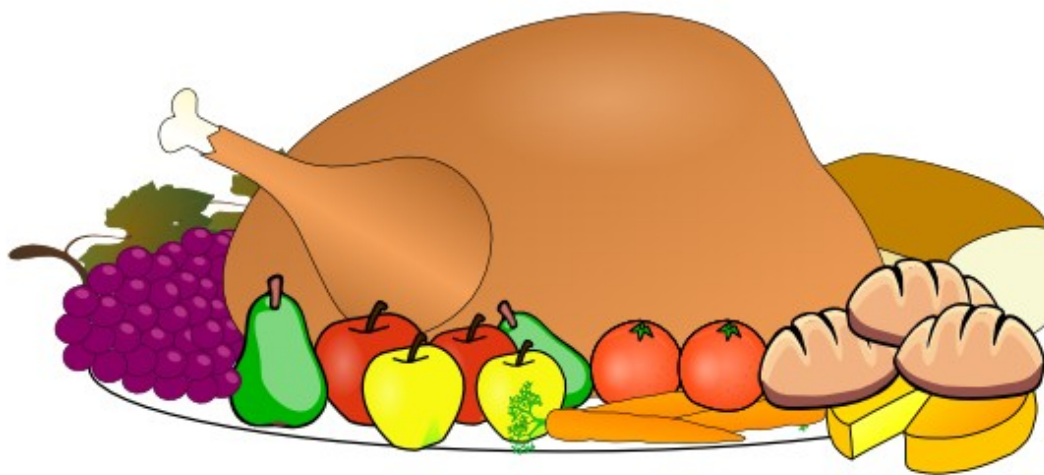
The Virginia Beach Anglers Club meets the first Thursday of each month at 7:30 p.m. at Foundry United Methodist Church located at 2801 Virginia Beach Blvd., Virginia Beach, VA next to Beach Ford

- Guest Speakers
- Refreshments
- Raffles
- Prize Fish

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Thanksgiving**



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Officers and Board Members for 2010

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President	Butch Eason	424-3624
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Please do not hesitate to call one of these people with any questions you may have.

Board Members

Robbie Parks	Jerry Mariano	Kevin Meyer
Rich Maguire	Bob Stulhman	Gary Doerhoff
Doug Wehner	Preston Mangum	Jerry Hughes

Next Board Meeting:
@ Foundry United
Methodist Church

Members News

Membership Dues: The membership dues for the VBAC are \$20 for individual and \$30 for family. You can pay them at the meeting or mail to VBAC, P. O. Box 8602, Virginia Beach, VA 23450

NOTE: Only members in good standing are eligible for tournament competition consideration!

Have a boat and need a crew? Want to fish but need a boat?

Rich Maquire - needs crew	619-4851	Howie Dorfman— available	621-2220
Bob Wuorinen - available	486-8588	Wayne Johnson— available	689-0367
Leonard Harris - available	455-8667	Frank Donohue - need crew or available	589-8021
Jerry Mariano— available	563-6365		
David Harwood-available	340-6187		
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Bruce Agnor—Available	302-562-4783		
Brian Brewster—Available	202-2580		
Wayne Burton—needs crew	420-3117 or 620-0413		
Jack Guthrie— available	647-4490		
James Tarr- available	351-0571		

Share the ride and share the expense. If you would like your name added or deleted call me George Gabriel at 757-619-1638 or email georgedgabriel@gmail.com

November 2010

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4 ▶	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18 ♦	19	20
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28	29	30				

Upcoming Dates:

September:

▶ Monthly meeting for November is on the 4th, beginning at 7:30 pm. *This month's guest speaker Capt. Michael Scherner (known as "southpaw" on tidalfish) A seasoned native of NY, Mike has extensive freshwater and saltwater fishing experience. He has a lifetime expert angler award for large mouth bass as well as a couple years of BASS regional tournament experience and 7 years of commercial hook and line experience. Mike has caught 50+ lb stripers in four different states. Come listen to him share his techniques for chunking, use of depth control, jigging, and lure techniques on stripers.*

♦ This month's Board Members meeting is on Nov 18th , @ 7:30 pm at the Foundry United Methodist Church

SAVE THE DATE: Dec 3rd and 4th is the VBAC annual Rockfish Rodeo and Bluefish Roundup. Tell your friends and come on out.. (See page 9 for details)

Please remember to submit your fish tales or interesting boating adventures to share with our club members.

CLUB NEWS

This year's Oyster Roast was held on Saturday, Oct 16th at the Oceana picnic grounds. Looking at some of the photos from the day, we had a great turn-out, exceptional fare, plenty of spirits, laughter and fellowship. The weather gods were kind as well, as long as you didn't blow away; but thanks to more than enough food, most were weighed down just fine by days end. Thanks to Chef Jerry (Mariano), Oyster Master Russell (Willoughby) and SOU Chef Mike (Anderson), the Oysters were plump and juicy, the shrimp fried and scampi, and steak sandwiches succulent. To all our side dish and desert contributors, the compliments were found in the total consumption of your tasty treats.



Nominate Your Salt Water Kid

While reading this month's Salt Water Sportsman, I noticed an opportunity for readers to nominate a young angler for recognition by the magazine for their accomplishments in the saltwater-fishing arena. The program is called Salt Water Kids, where nominees will be selected based on exceptional conduct in the field of saltwater fishing. This could be forming a fish club, starting a monofilament recycling program, organizing a beach clean-up, or the like. Its not about who caught the biggest fish. Sounded interesting, thought I would pass it along. To nominate, send e-mail to swkids@saltwatersportsman.com.

DID YOU HEAR??

On the evening of October 10th, I received a call about a big Darwin's Slimehead that had just arrived at the dock at The Virginia Beach Fishing Center. The existing IGFA All Tackle Slimehead was the fish I weighed for Ron Van Kirk in 2008, which weighed 7.5-pounds. The word was that this fish weighed over 8-pounds! So I hopped in my truck and met the angler and his crew at the Fishing Center. They were all very excited. The slimehead tipped the scale at 8-pounds, 5-ounces, so I proceeded with the photos, measurements, and paperwork.

Kevin Wong of Virginia Beach and his crew had just returned from an overnight trip of trolling and deep dropping aboard the Wave Runner, skippered by Michael Meridith. The Darwin's Slimehead hit squid offered in over 200 fathoms of water near the Norfolk Canyon. Kevin reeled for nearly 20 minutes, when the fish finally popped up on the surface, and his buddy swung the fish onboard, but no one knew what it was. Kevin decided that after such a workout for a useless fish, he was done reeling and opted to relax for the remainder of the trip. Little did he know his useless fish was a new pending world record! Another outstanding catch from Virginia waters. Congratulations to the angler, captain, and crew!

Dr. Julie Ball
IGFA Representative, Virginia Beach

NEW Club T-Shirts are in!!

The Club is offering newly designed t-shirts for sale. See Ron Jeffords at the meeting for details or to buy your t-shirts.

WANTED:

Got fishing tips, spots, or recipes you are dying to share? Send them to George at vban-glbersclub@yahoo.com and share your wealth of experience with your fellow fishing mates. We are looking to make this a monthly feature in our news letter— for the benefit of all our members.

MEMBER FISHTAILS

Surf Fishing Report

With 2 of the 3 fall surf fishing tournaments already completed, I wanted to update the club on how we have fared so far. The long and short of it is that we have had some pretty rough tournaments. Hatteras Village in September was the first. The club sponsors 2 teams in this tournament and we did a fair job in this one. The "A" team finished in tenth place out of 78 teams and the "B" team finished in 17th place. The "B" team was in third place at the end of the first day but flat beaches and no fish caused the fall to 17th.

The Nags Head tournament was in October and the team finished tied with several other teams for 60th place out of 80 teams. The water had not quite cleared from the recent storms on Thursday and the weather was almost too pretty for surf fishing. The water was clearer on Friday but the fishing was still slow unless you were in the right site. The winning team fished a site on Friday afternoon that our team fished on Thursday afternoon. We threw everything we had at that site because there was a nice break in the bar in the middle of the site and it just looked fishy. We caught one shark about 3½ feet long, some small black drum and other little stuff. The winning team caught 70 fish for 139 points there Friday Afternoon. In this case we were a day early instead of a day late.

The third tournament is the Cape Hatteras Angler's Club tournament in November. Wish the best for Julie Ball, Steve Wray, George Schuchman, Carl McCoy, Russell Willoughby, and Robbie Parks, our team for that one.

On a local note, I hear from a reliable source that as of October 15th there are still some drum at Sandbridge as well as blue fish, round heads and other surf stuff. The stripers should be around the Lesner Bridge soon if not already, so don't put the long rods away just yet! The weather is still great for being on the beach so go give it a try!

Tight Lines!!
Robbie Parks



Inspired by last month's speaker, Al Bunnell, and armed with Al's expert advice, club member Kevin Meyer set out to test the expert.

Friday night Oct 8th the weather was just too nice to stay inside and Rachel and I decided to go fishing. I had attended the club meeting Thursday evening and listened to AL Bunnell talk about tips and tactics for catching Puppy Drum and he even provided some tips and locations for catching the big reds when they move out of the bay. I figured we would give the Puppy Drum a shot on this trip even though the reports were not encouraging. We trailered over to Owl Creek and launched the boat around 6 pm and went out in search of bait.

Rachel manned the cast net and proceeded to catch about 30 shrimp in the net on the first throw!! (Many of them were 2 inches or bigger) we had seen some large schools of mullet swimming nearby and she was able to get some really nice mullet in just a few throws. With our bait caught we decided to head to one of our most productive fishing holes and we setup in about 16 feet of water casting to grass bank on a point.

The tide was still coming in and the fishing was slow to start off, as the sun went down and the tide changed I had a very large fish on and about 2 minutes into the fight the line broke...Bummer!! I checked the line and it was scuffed up pretty good and I guess the Oyster shells won that round. The tide has now changed and we relocated the boat to get into a better casting position and as I'm putting the first line out the rod was nearly torn from my hand and the fish took off like a rocket and was tail-walking across the water like a sailfish!! It was a really nice fish and I wanted to get it to the boat but it had other ideas and was on the run into the oyster bed....this too was a short fight and the oysters claimed another victory. (Now I'm looking forward to the OYSTER ROAST to get some payback!!!)

I reset out 3 lines and in short turn 2 of them go off at the same time and now Rachel and I are both hooked up with fish and proceed to get them both to the boat. Rachel had a 18.5 inch Pup that had 12 Spots and I had a 17.95 inch that just wouldn't measure so back he goes. With one fish now in the box it was looking up. We had a couple of 16 and 17 inch fish up next but not big enough. we seen some very large schools of mullet come through and something was chasing them. I casted back into the school and immediately hooked up a nice one that took off to deep water, as I'm fighting this fish, Rachel has another one on and gets it to the boat and as I'm lifting mine into the boat it came off. I didn't even have time to think about losing the fish as the third rod is now bowed up with a fish I picked it up and got it to the net another 18.5 incher for the box. We stayed or another hour and ended up with 2 in the box for dinner, 4 released to fight another day and 6 that we never got to the net. This was our first Pup trip of the year. We went 6 for 12 on the pups and following some dismal reports from other anglers that the pups were not co-operating it was good to see there are still some around.

Gear for This Trip:

Rods: Diawa Millionaire Classic medium-heavy action 6 foot casting rods.

Reels: Diawa Millionaire Classic 300 casting reels spooled with 30# Power pro.

Terminal tackle: Fishfinder rigs with 2-3 Feet Bill Fisher 60# leader attached to 6/0 Gamakatsu Circle hooks.

Bait: Grass Shrimp and Cut Mullet.

CLUB LEADER BOARD

Angler	Age Division	Species	Release	Club Record	Pounds	Ounces	Length	Girth	Date of Catch
Melanie Bayford	a	**Ribbonfish**	y	n			29		8/31/2010
Beth Synowiec	a	Amberjack	y	n			50"		7/27/2010
Susan M. Smith	a	Black Drum	y	n			48"		6/5/2010
Beth Synowiec	a	Blackfin Tuna	n	n	18		28 1/2"	20"	2/21/2010
Melanie Bayford	a	Blue Catfish	y	n			32"		3/30/2010
Beth Synowiec	a	Bluefin Tuna	n	n	148		65"		3/15/2010
Katie Synowiec	g	Bluefish	n	n	1	0	14.5		8/26/2010
Melanie Bayford	a	Bluegill	y	n			8		8/29/2010
Melanie Bayford	a	Bowfin	y	n			30"		7/18/2010
Melanie Bayford	a	Chain Pickerel	y	n			22"		2/23/2010
Rachel D. Meyer	a	Channel Catfish	n	n	13	6	26"		9/6/2010
Rachel D. Meyer	a	Channel Catfish	n	n			23"		9/6/2010
Beth Synowiec	a	Cobia	n	n	30	10	45		8/10/2010
Alexis B. Lee	j	Hickory Shad	y	n			16 1/2"		3/21/2010
Melanie Bayford	a	Long Nose Gar	y	n			43		9/20/2010
Beth Synowiec	a	Red Drum	y	n			46"		5/14/2010
Beth Synowiec	a	Red Drum	y	n			50 1/2"		5/19/2010
Melanie Bayford	a	Round Head	y	n			16		9/11/2010
Beth Synowiec	a	Sheepshead	n	n			24.25"		9/24/2010
Angela Olah	a	Speckled Trout	y	n			26 1/2"		2/21/2010
Melanie Bayford	a	Sunfish	y	n			8.5"		8/7/2010
Beth Synowiec	a	Tautog	n	n			24"		9/29/2010
Clara Synowiec	g	Triggerfish	n	n	3	12	18"	17.5"	8/26/2010
Melanie Bayford	a	White Perch	y	n			11"		4/18/2010
Melanie Bayford	a	Yellow Perch	y	n			11 1/2"		4/29/2010
Kevin Synowiec	a	Amberjack	y	n			51"		7/27/2010
David J. Smith Sr.	a	Black Drum	y	n			50"		6/5/2010
Kevin Meyer	a	Bluefin Tuna	y	n			70"		2/20/2010
Ron Jeffords	a	Bluegill	y	n			8		8/29/2010
Ron Jeffords	a	Bowfin	y	n			28"		3/28/2010
Ron Jeffords	a	Chain Pickerel	y	n			22"		4/18/2010
Ron Jeffords	a	Chain Pickerel	y	n			23.5		9/18/2010
Don Bayford	a	Channel Catfish	y	n			28"		3/30/2010
David J. Smith Sr.	a	Cobia	n	n	44	7	53		8/21/2010
Steve Harding	a	Crappie	n	n	2	11	16 1/2"	13 1/2"	4/2/2010
David J. Smith Sr.	a	croaker	y	n			18		9/25/2010
Bob Wuorinen	a	Flounder	n	n	7	6	27.5"		7/24/2010
Ron Jeffords	a	LM Bass	y	n			18.5		9/18/2010
Don Bayford	a	Long Nose Gar	y	n			36"		8/15/2010
Bob Lee	a	Rainbow Trout	y	n			15 1/8"		3/24/2010
Josh Regula	j	Red Drum	y	n			46"		5/30/2010
Roy McCausey	a	Red Drum	Y	n			48"		6/12/2010
Kevin Synowiec	a	Sheepshead	n	n	10	1	23.75		10/2/2010
Josh Regula	j	Spadefish	n	n	5	4			6/21/2010
Russell Willoughby	a	Spadefish	n	n	8	2			6/25/2010
David J. Smith Sr.	a	Spanish Mackerel	y	n			21"		7/10/2010
Dwayne Olah	a	Speckled Trout	y	n			28"		2/1/2010
Tyler Olah	g	Speckled Trout	y	n			28"		2/1/2010
Roy McCausey	a	Spot	y	n			10.75		9/26/2010
Dwayne Olah	a	Striped Bass	y	n			45"		1/21/2010
Don Bayford	a	Sunfish	y	n			8"		4/8/2010
Kevin Synowiec	a	Tautog	N	N			23.25"		3/21/2010
David J. Smith Sr.	a	Wahoo	n	n	34	3			3/20/2010
Ron Jeffords	a	White Perch	y	n			11 1/2"		3/10/2010
Ron Jeffords	a	Yellow Perch	y	n			11"		3/10/2010
Bob Wuorinen	a	Yellowfin Tuna	n	n	67				4/25/2010

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FRIDAY, DECEMBER 3RD AT 6:00 PM

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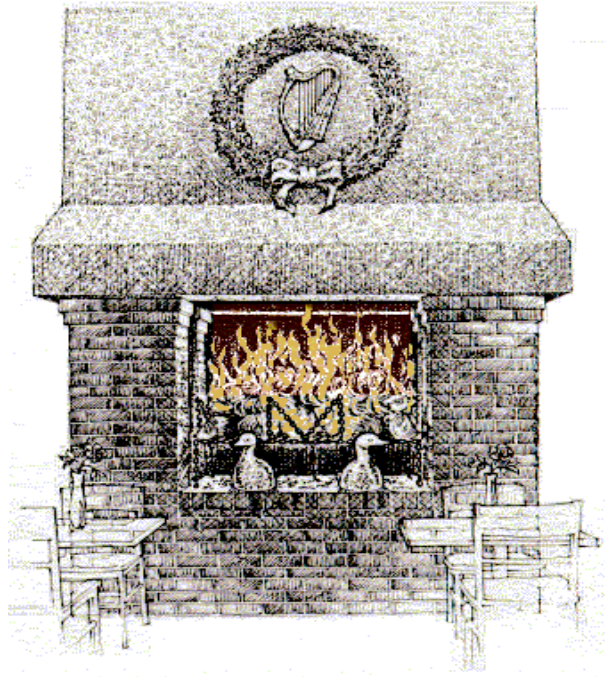
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- Promote interest and participation in recreational angling by conducting programs and activities that encourage sport fishing.
- Educate members and others in the techniques of sport fishing to enhance their enjoyment of the sport.
- Conduct social activities that create a wholesome climate for deriving the maximum pleasure from sport fishing by members, their families and guests.