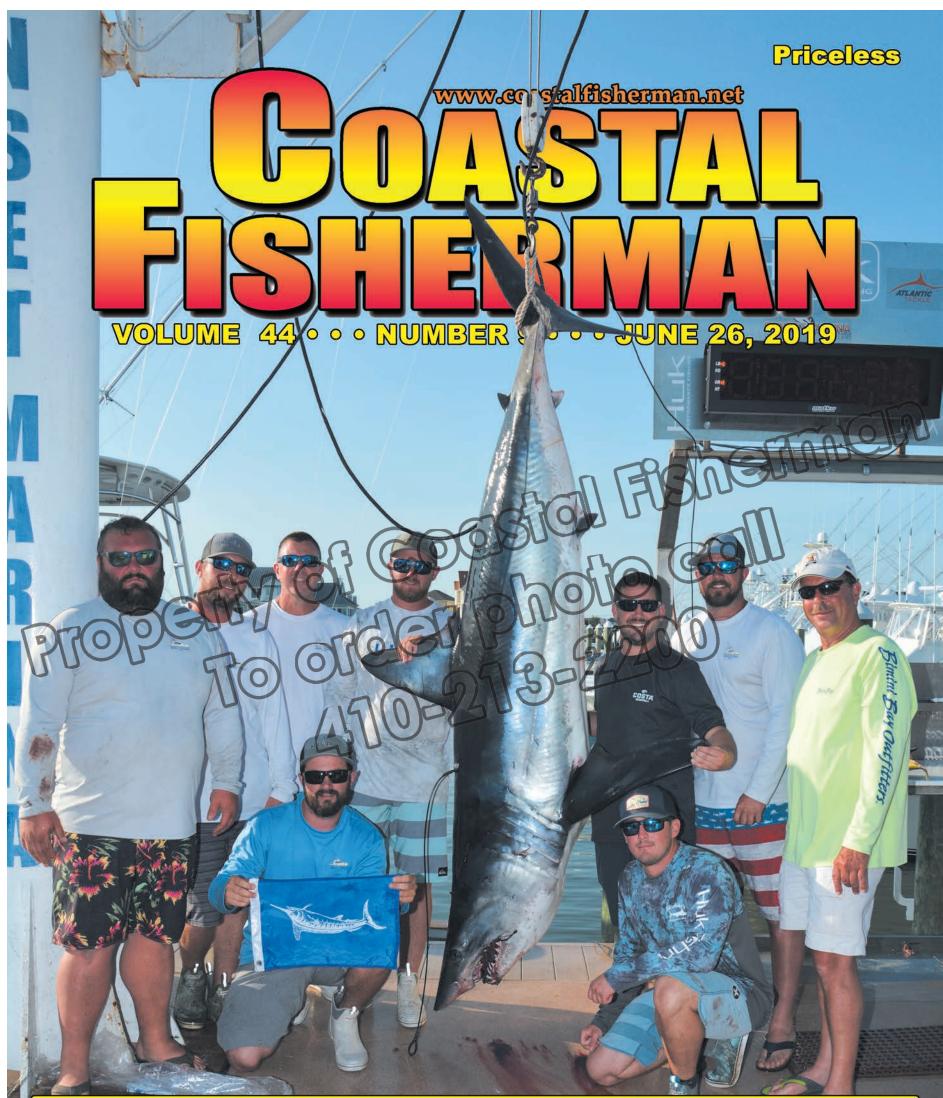
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The crew on the "Reel Tight" had a memorable weekend fishing in the Chesapeake Bay Sportfishing Association Tuna-Fortuna Tournament. They placed 2nd in the Heaviest Stringer Division with 201 lbs. of yellowfin tuna caught during their two days of fishing. The highlight of their weekend came on Sunday when they captured a 486 lb. mako shark while soaking a chunk of swordfish in 100 fathoms below the Washington Canyon. Angler John Dudley brought the big mako to the boat after only a 10 minute fight while fishing with Brian Stempowski, who released a white marlin during the trip, Buddy Nicholson, Tyler Beck, Johnny Botts, Nick Pilipauskis, Brian Stewart, Capt. Steven Pilipauskis and mates Jeff and Chris Hardesty. Weighed at Sunset Marina.

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The flounder bite in the ocean has been steadily getting better and Emma and Braedon Orlen from Milton, DE show off 4 nice size keepers they caught at the Old Grounds. The junior anglers were fishing with their dad, Jason Orlen when they used bucktails and Gulp artificial baits to catch a total of 8 keepers. Photo courtesy of Rick's Bait & Tackle in Long Neck, DE.



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On Monday morning, anglers on the charter boat, "That's Right" returned from an overnight trip with a 147 lb. swordfish and 4 bluefin tuna after fishing north of the Chicken Bone. The swordfish was a team effort between anglers Pat Columbia and Kyle McCreary after they hooked the fish on a tinker mackerel. Also pictured are John Mattson, Sr., John Mattson, Jr., Phil Lyons, Ted Crampton, Ron Bauguess, Cody Ream, Capt. Austin Bickford and mate Brian Riley.

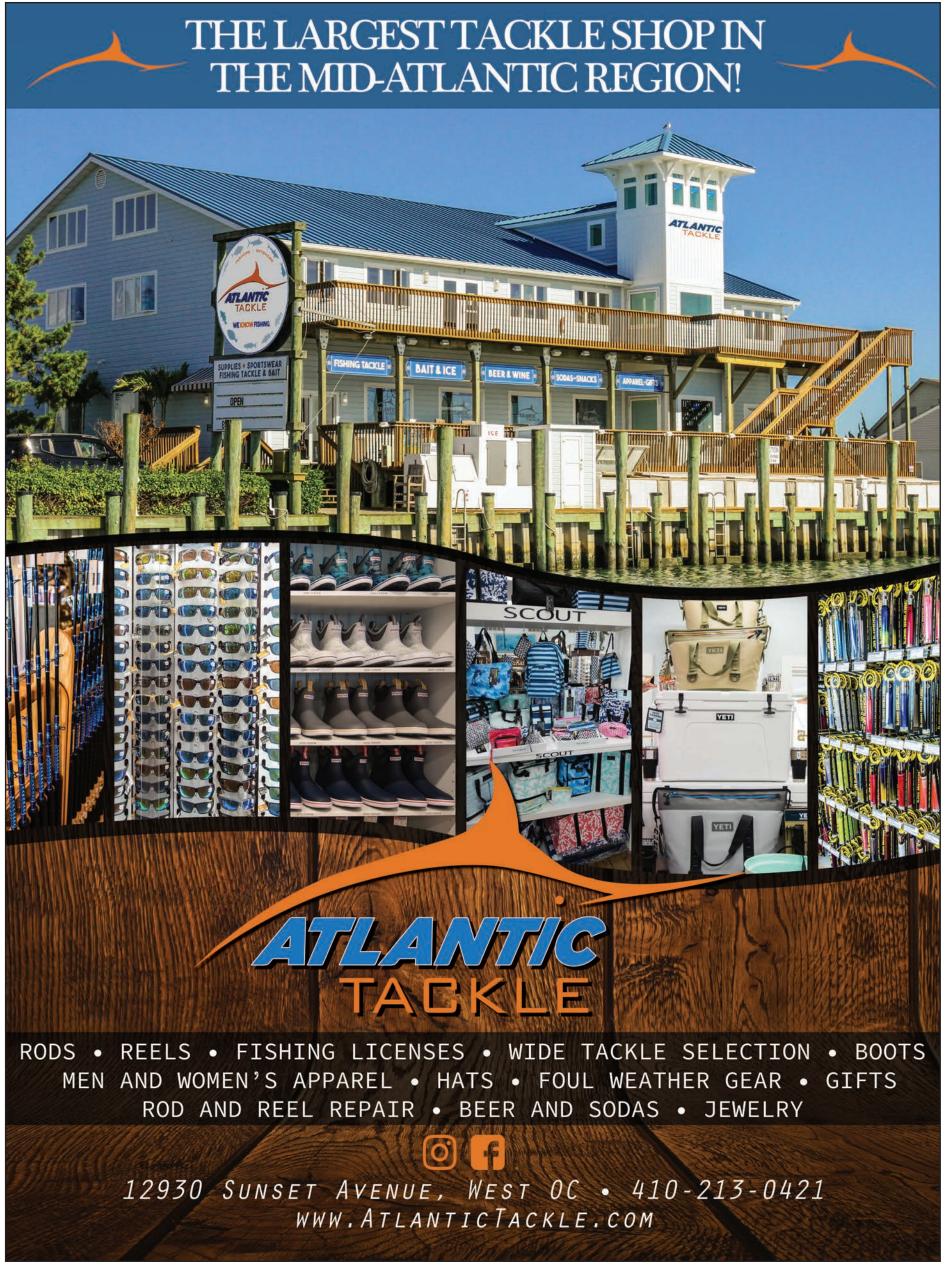


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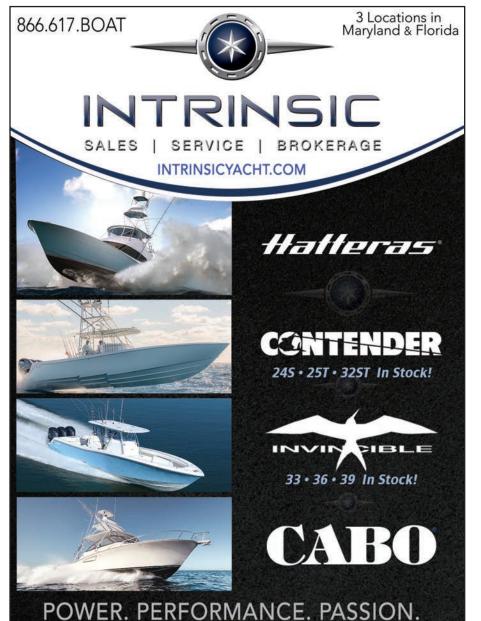
There were 18 yellowfin tuna on the dock when this group of anglers posed for a picture after fishing on the charter boat, "Rhonda's Osprey" with Capt. Joe Drosey and mate Matt Bierley. The fish were caught in 100 fathoms in the Baltimore Canyon. Pictured at Sunset Marina are Marcus Femal, Joe Miller, Doug Littleton, Tom Pignatelli, Lou Cianelli and Mike Gallion.



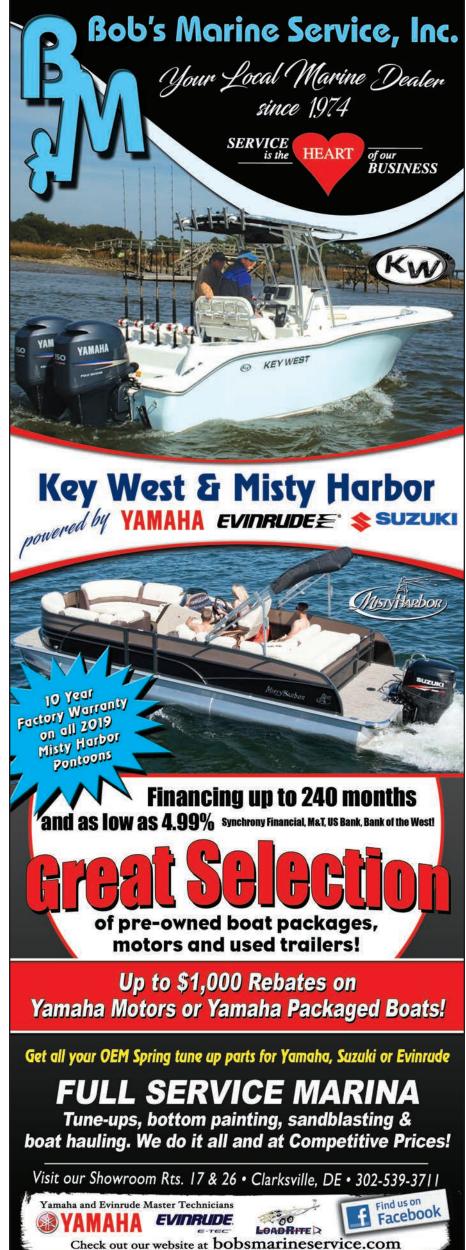
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Emily Gilbert used a yellow spinner to compliment the minnow she was drifting in the East Channel when she captured this 19-inch flounder.



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This Week Last Year •Tuna bite was in 100 fathoms in the Baltimore and Poor Man's Canyons.

• A 185 lb. bluefin was caught 20 miles straight out from the Ocean City Inlet.

•Several white marlin and a couple of blue marlin were released in the Baltimore and Poor Man's.

• Clean water produced good flounder fishing in the bay.

• Larger flounder coming in off reefs and wrecks.

• First croaker of the year was caught in the Thorofare.

• A few weakfish were caught around the South Jetty.

• Anglers on the "Get Sum" caught 2 cobia in the Ocean City Inlet.

• Around the bridges are loaded with snapper blues. • Sheepshead caught at North and South Jetties.



Let's start out this weeks report with a big congratulations to the team on the local boat, "Top Dog" who won the 61st Annual Big Rock Blue Marlin Tournament. Angler Todd Dickerson caught the tournament record 914 lb. blue marlin on the final day of the event to win \$793,188 in award money. With Capt. Ryan Knapp





at the helm, Todd fought the monster for over 5 hours, but the work wasn't done. They needed another 90 minutes to get the 15footer partially into the 60-foot boat. It had to be one of the most exciting endings in tournament history with 1 blue marlin boated and 5 being battled, including the "Top Gun", when the final day ended. Again, congratulations to Capt. Ryan, Todd and the entire "Top Dog" team for their very impressive win.

Tuna

Last week we saw some exceptional yellowfin tuna It started in the action. Baltimore Canyon and progressively moved south with bites over the weekend coming from the Poor Man's and Washington Canyons and points in between. Early in the week we saw several boats return with upper-teen catches and it remained steady through Thursday. Friday was a blowout and the tuna bite was decent on Saturday and very slow on Sunday. There was also a very noticeable decrease in the average size of the yellowfins caught over the weekend, with most fish in the 25 to 30 lb. range.

Bluefins popped up in Massey's Canyon and other close-by locations, between 20 and 35 fathoms, with fish hitting the dock weighing up to 88 lbs.

The highlight of the week was the 237 lb. bigeye tuna caught on Tuesday by anglers Bill Pino and Bill Keller aboard the "Blood Money". The fish was hooked on a skirted ballyhoo in 200 fathoms in the

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Poor Man's Canyon in 68-degree water. It took the two Bill's over 100 minutes to get the 71-incher to the boat.

Swordfish

We saw 3 swordfish caught this weekend. Matt Crim and James Coats were the first to arrive on Sunday with an 87 pounder caught in 1,700 feet outside the Washington Canyon. Also on Sunday, anglers on the "Quick Draw" boated a 78 pounder while deep dropping in 1,200 feet in the Washington Canyon. Finally, on Monday morning anglers fishing on "That's Right" returned from an overnight trip with a 147 lb. swordfish and 4 bigeyes after fishing north of the Chicken They hooked the Bone. swordfish at 2:00 in the morning.

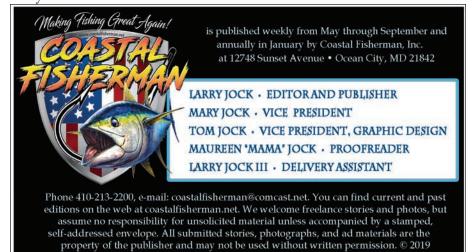
Sharks

Anglers dealt with sharks all week attacking their yellowfin tunas in the canyons and reports from boats overnighting in the Washington had some releasing several mako sharks. It was still a great surprise to see the "Reel Tight" arrive back at Sunset Marina on Sunday with a 486 pounder they caught on a chunk of swordfish in 100 fathoms below the Washington Canyon. Amazingly, it took angler John Dudley only 10 minutes to get the big shark to the boat.

On Saturday, we also saw a mako weighing 111 lbs. (gutted) come in on the "Hall Pass" after they hooked the 79-incher on a Stretch lure around the 800/800.

Sea Bass

The mid-to-late June sea bass bite is historically tough and it wasn't easy pickings last week either. However, we did see some nice catches come in from anglers fishing on local headboats, even though windy conditions did not make life easy. We still haven't seen one over 5 lbs. this season and the



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Striped Bass

There was a quiet, but good striper bite last week around the South Jetty with mainly small, undersized fish keeping anglers busy while using light tackle. A few keepers were pulled out of the rocks as well.

Flounder

Anglers really had to work hard for their keepers last week. It wasn't like you could stay in one location all day and return with your limit. Fish were caught in the East Channel, the West Channel, the Inlet and the north end of the bay behind Assateague. You really had to be flexible to put keepers in the cooler.

The best flounder bite right now is the improved action we are seeing on ocean reefs and wrecks. It's a far trip out of Ocean City, but anglers up in Delaware are seeing good bites and nice size fish on spots around the Old Grounds and at Sites 10 and 11. Now is a good time to sign-up for membership to the Ocean City Reef Foundation so you can get their reef charts. Many of their reefs are prime flounder spots, not just for fishing right now but also throughout the season.

Anglers are having the best results by using white Gulp Swimming Mullets for bait, but the old tried and true minnow and squid combination is working well also.

Sheepshead

We are still seeing a few sheepshead caught around the South Jetty. On Saturday, Don Lordon caught one while using sand fleas for bait.

In the Surf

Small bluefish and kingfish are being caught in the surf from Assateague up into Fenwick Island. Anything will work for bluefish and the kingfish seem to like Fishbites.

Upcoming Tournament

The only local tournament on the schedule is the inaugural Fish N Paddle Saltwater Slam for those who like to fish from kayaks and stand up paddleboards. The tournament is Saturday and Sunday with weigh-ins at Atlantic Tackle. For more information call 443-783-7410.

Until next week, I'll see you at the scales!



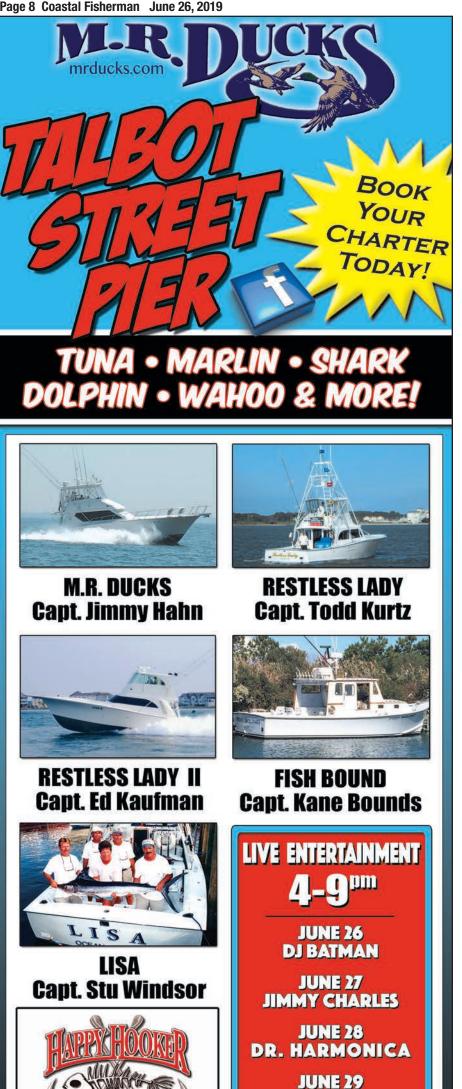
Last Wednesday, Bill Pino and Bill Keller teamed up to catch the largest bigeye tuna of the year while fishing on the "Blood Money" with Ernie Eckenrode, Josh Keller, Zak Smith, Capt. Anthony Pino and mate Frank Mattes. The 71-inch, 237 lb. bigeye was hooked on a ballyhoo dressed up with a black and purple skirt in 200 fathoms in the Poor Man's Canyon where Capt. Anthony found water temperatures sitting at 68-degrees. The fish put up a 100 minute fight before the guys got it into the boat. They also caught 11 yellowfins during the trip. Pictured at Sunset Marina.



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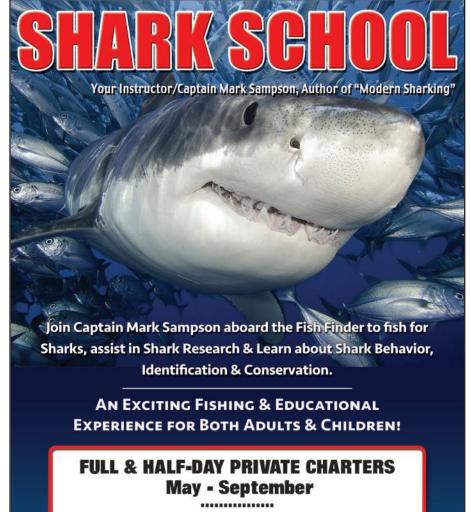
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Chris Helmick, Chris Daugherty, Bill Miles and Matt Crocket teamed up to catch 18 yellowfins and release another dozen while fishing on the "Magic Moment" with Capt. Jim Bugg and mate Richard Hutchison. The tunas were caught in 200 fathoms in the Poor Man's Canyon where they found 73-degree water. Pictured back at the dock at Sunset Marina.

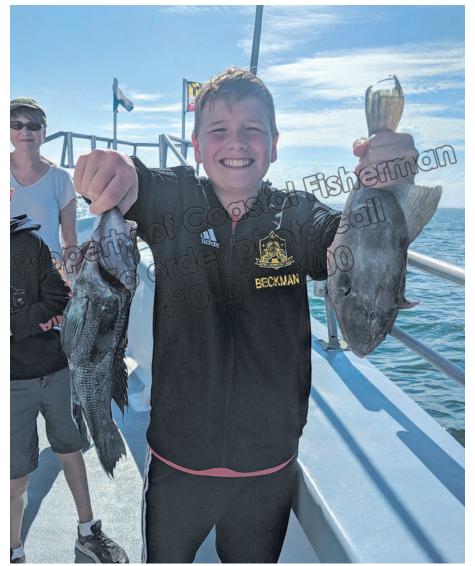


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Carter Beckman is very happy with the 14-inch black sea bass and the 14-inch triggerfish he caught during a trip on the headboat, "Judith M" with Capt. John Bunting. The fish were hooked on squid and clams at the Bass Grounds.



While trolling ballyhoo and spreader bars in 80 fathoms in the Baltimore Canyon, this group of anglers captured 19 yellowfin tuna while fishing on the "Reel Attitude" with Capt. James Coane and mate Bobby Pastorius. Fishing on the "Reel Attitude" were Al Rosenberg, Mark Barnhart, Andy Goldberg, Roger Williams, Todd Markiewicz and David Drinard.



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During an offshore trip on the charter boat, "Restless Lady" with Capt. Todd Kurtz and mate Kevin Kurtz, anglers Mike Falzone, Sr. from Panama City, FL and Mike Falzone, Jr. and Mike Falzone, III from Smithsburg, MD had a great day catching yellowfin tuna. The trio of Falzone's muscled in 14 yellowfins after hooking them on trolled ballyhoo and spreader bars in 75 fathoms in the Baltimore Canyon. Pictured at the Talbot Street Pier.

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Ella Thiele from Raleigh, NC caught this 18-inch flounder while drifting a white Gulp Swimming Mullet in the East Channel, south of the Rt. 50 Bridge. Ella was fishing on the charter boat, "Get Sum" with Capt. Nick Clemente and mate Willie Poole. Pictured at the Ocean City Fishing Center in West Ocean City, MD.



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What does summer in Ocean City and winter in Florida have in common? A lot of sunburned vacationers! Whether we migrate south for a winter vacation or just wander over to a Delmarva beach for a few days of summertime R&R, it's easy to get too much sun and with all we know about skin cancer and other harmful effects from solar exposure there's no reason why anyone should spend any moment of their life looking like a crustacean in need of a good whacking with a wooden hammer.

Too much sun can be bad, real bad, like "death" kind of bad, yet soaking up rays is still one of those things that so many people still want to do these days. I understand the desire – that warm sun sure feels good, particularly after a long cold winter, but like so much in life, the short-term pleasure isn't worth the longterm suffering when things go awry.

We fishermen know about the sun. It kind of comes with the territory because we tend to do most of our fishing in either the summer season or in hot tropical locations in the winter. But unlike other sports or activities that sometimes allow enthusiasts to participate indoors or at least in the shade, fishing, particularly saltwater fishing, seldom allows any relief from the sun. So, unless anglers wish to do all their fishing at night, the only option they have is to protect themselves. Fortunately, over the last couple of decades as the public has become increasingly aware and concerned over the risks of even short-term overexposure to the sun, countless products have been developed to help those who find themselves under the sun for long periods of time.

As a charter captain and fishing guide, dealing with the sun is yet another line in my job description. Sun block and protective clothing are tools of the trade that are just as important as any lever drag reel or spool of leader material. But someone doesn't have to fish a lot to need protection from the sun. For some people, just one good dose of sunburn has been enough to cause lifethreatening ailments. Anglers should also keep in mind that sun protection is always needed, not just in the early season before they've managed

to work up a "base" tan.

Of course, the use of sunscreen is one of the most popular ways to protect oneself from the sun. It's easy to find, inexpensive, simple to use, and comes in sprays, lotions and sticks. Despite all this, some folks are reluctant to properly use sunscreen. Some don't like the hassle of smearing gook all over themselves or the feel of it afterwards. Some don't like to have it running in their eyes when they sweat and some anglers don't want to run the risk of having the smell of sunscreen transfer from their hands to their baits or lures and possibly spook the fish. All of these are legitimate arguments, but none are good enough to override the need for sun protection. Are you willing to put up with the hassle of using sun protection or are you willing to risk dying from skin cancer? Two choices - pick one. By the way, if you haven't checked, sunscreen products have come a long way over the years and there are plenty out there that offer the protection without the goopyness.

Besides using sunscreen, another way to protect oneself from the sun is just to cover-up. Down in the Florida Keys where many anglers and guides spend 12-months of the year fishing from open boats that offer no shade whatsoever, they've learned how to "wear their shade" by donning clothing that both keeps them

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cool and protects them from being burnt to a crisp by the relentless tropical sun. Sunscreen is not so critical when you're literally covered from head to toe in high-tech soft breathable fabrics that allow the air to flow through, but keeps the suns rays out.

Vented, long pants and long sleeve shirts have been popular for some time and are now quite commonly used in the north. Fishing hats have also evolved from baseball caps that were only good for covering bald spots and advertising products into devices that can keep the head cool as well as shading your neck, ears and Fishermen face. should consider a quality hat that protects their eyes from glare and their head from the sun every bit as important a piece of equipment as any rod or reel they own.

Most good fishing hats have long bills for extra eye protection and fold down or removable "capes" that cover the back of the neck and ears. In some cases the cape is wide enough that it can be wrapped around and fastened in front to offer protection to the nose and rest of the face. While these capes offer great protection, on breezy days they tend to get pushed around and are not as effective, so many fishermen who are really serious about avoiding sun damage have recently started to wear "buffs" to ensure full-time solar



protection for their face, neck and ears.

Buffs are nothing more than a tube of very light and breathable material, about 10inches wide by 20-inches long, that are pulled down and worn over the face and neck. Buffs can be adjusted such that they cover everything above the collar that's missed by the hat sunglasses, which and translates to "total" coverage and great protection. Because buffs are made of such light and stretchy material they hug the head and don't get blown out of place by the wind or while riding in a fast boat. Someone wearing a buff up over their face might look as though they're better prepared to rob a bank than catch a fish, but the garment is extremely comfortable to wear, doesn't affect breathing or hearing, and offers superb protection not only from sun, but also insects that like to bite your neck, splat on your face or fly into your ears.

To complete their "solar ensemble", anglers can protect

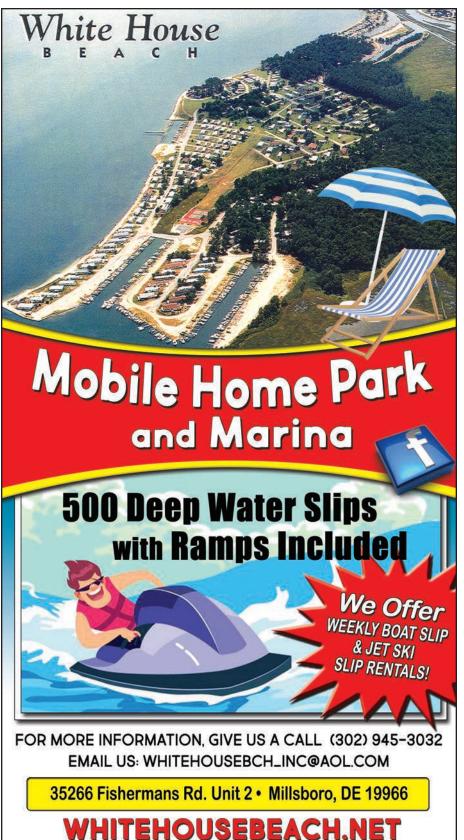
the back of their hands by donning a pair of "sun-gloves", which are very light and stretchy spandex-like gloves that have the ends of the fingers removed to allow the dexterity needed to tie knots, use tackle and handle fish. These gloves are so shear that you hardly notice you're wearing them and they offer great protection for a part of the body that is often neglected.

Although some folks will allow their own vanity to sway them away from wearing sunscreen or the right clothing, the dangers from the sun are real and something fishermen of all ages need to take very seriously and always safeguard against.

Capt. Mark Sampson is an outdoor writer and captain of the charter boat, "Fish Finder", docked at the Ocean City Fishing Center. During the winter months, Capt. Mark runs charters in the Lower Keys.



Wayne Davis from Harrisburg, PA used a Storm lure to fool this 34-inch, 12 lb. 8 oz. striped bass while fishing in the Indian River Inlet during the incoming tide. Weighed at Hook'em & Cook'em in the Indian River Marina.





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Even though the wind was blowing hard and the seas were sporty, black sea bass were really chewing for this group of anglers fishing on the headboat, "Morning Star" with Capt. Monty Hawkins. Kevin Mahoney of Ames, IA led the way with 13 keepers and Bill Wilczynsky won largest fish honors with a 19 1/2-incher. Also pictured are Greg Erb, Carson Strong, Wade Schoor, Ian Malrenny, Anthony Powell, Evan Carpenter and Scott Carpenter. The "Morning Star" is docked at the Ocean City Fishing Center.



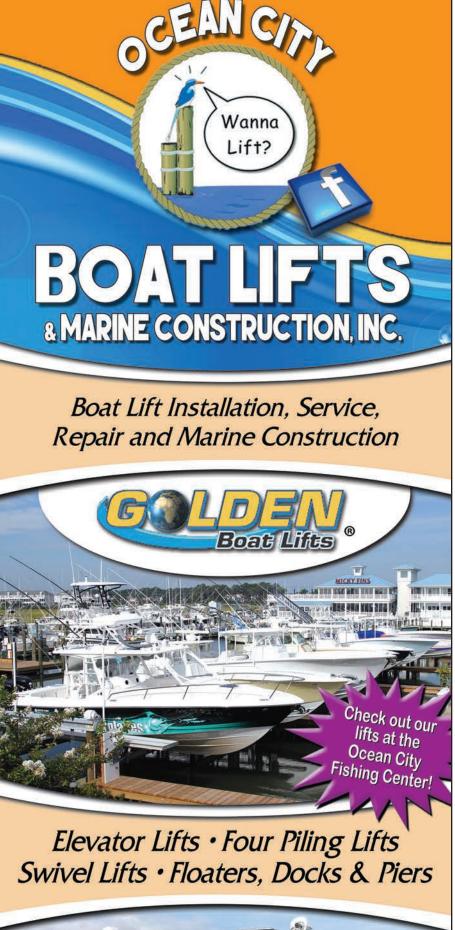
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Georgia Merrick of Dagsboro, DE couldn't be happier after she boated this 24-inch, 6 lb. flounder while drifting a white Gulp Swimming Mullet in the Indian River Bay. Georgia was fishing on the "Dad & Me Too" with her dad, George Merrick.







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Bluefish	A	Mars 1, 0010	Mako Shark	May 18, 2019	May 23, 2018

Bluefish	April 17, 2019 Big Bird Cropper South Jetty	May 1, 2018 Big Bird Cropper South Jetty	Mako Shark	May 18, 2019 Brandon Malamphy "FINATIC" Wilmington Canyon	May 23, 2018 Fred Weinhold "Marli" Marine Electric
Black Drum	April 9, 2019 Allen Sklar Assateague Surf	April 19, 2018 Allen Sklar Assateague Surf	Thresher Shark	May 18, 2019 All Anglers "Over-Board" Jackspot	May 26, 2018 Don King "Shallow End" Fingers
Cobia	June 2, 2019 Tony Lane Fenwick Surf	July 10, 2018 Mitchell Clark "Judith M"	Bigeye Tuna	May 27, 2019 Pat Petrera "Priceless" Poor Man's Canyon	May 26, 2018 Tanya Devine "Wrecker" Poor Man's Canyon
Flounder	April 4, 2019 Kristin Lenox Sinepuxent Bay	April 14, 2018 Mike Tuel Thorofare	Bluefin Tuna	May 7, 2019 Scot Wells "Restless Lady II" Wilmington Canyon	May 24, 2018 Donna Gutridge "Marli" Poor Man's Canyon
Sea Bass	May 15, 2019 Tom Lane "Morning Star" Artificial Reef	May 15, 2018 Wayne Diaz "Morning Star" Artificial Reef	Longfin Tuna	June 1, 2019 Ed Luhrman Baltimore Canyon	June 9, 2018 Mike Lloyd Wilmington Canyon
Sheepshead	May 26, 2019 Mark Shwetz "On the Run" South Jetty	June 4, 2018 Hanna Bartell "On the Run" South Jetty	Yellowfin Tuna	May 25, 2019 Ryan Young "Brenda Lou" Poor Man's Canyon	May 24, 2018 Mike Curran "Marli" Poor Man's Canyon
Striped Bass	Apirl 12, 2019 Kern Ducote Rt. 90 Bridge	January 2, 2018 Jon Pulsifer Little Gull Shoal	Dolphin	May 19, 2019 Bill Johnson "Bubblehead" Wilmington Canyon	May 24, 2018 Steve Cumor "Marli" Poor Man's Canyon
Tautog	January 4, 2019 Dan Iacangelo "Morning Star" Ocean Wreck	January 3, 2018 Dennis Muhlenforth "Morning Star" Artificial Reef	Wahoo	No Legal Size Fish Reported	July 12, 2018 Jon Gross "Restless Lady" Washington Canyon
Weakfish	May 19, 2019 Jackson Chin Indian River Inlet	June 2, 2018 Matt Boyer Indian River Inlet	White Marlin	June 1, 2019 "Uncle Keith" Poor Man's Canyon	June 13, 2018 Ron Bennett "Stalker" Poor Man's Canyon

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Bill and Bob Hopkins from Frankford, DE, Dave Beauchamp and Sam Hopkins from Germantown, MD, Luke Kohler from Lusby, MD and Doug Collison from Westminster, MD teamed up to catch 15 yellowfin tuna and a pair of mahi while fishing on "Nina's Revenge" with Capt. Rob Rondini and mate Marc Gross. The fish were caught on the troll between the Baltimore and Poor Man's Canyons. Pictured at the Ocean City Fishing Center.



Last Sunday, Matt Crim and James Coats went daytime swordfishing and ended up catching this 87 pounder after hooking it in 1,700 feet of water outside the Washington Canyon. The fish put up a 30 minute fight after it was hooked on a rigged, skirted eel. Weighed at the Ocean City Fishing Center.



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Warren Hall, Alan Reed, Roger Chabot, Scott Spencer, Cliff Wasser and Brock Spilker (not pictured) jumped on the good yellowfin tuna bite and returned to Sunset Marina with 18 yellowfins in the box. The anglers were fishing on the charter boat, "Boss Hogg" with Capt. Brian Porter and mates Rich Tshudy and Marshall Freng when they hooked the tuna on ballyhoos, spreader bars and Flippy Floppys in 80 fathoms in the Baltimore Canyon.

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Black drum are still being found roaming the waters around the South Jetty and Ryder Getchis from Lancaster, PA was there last week to catch one. Ryder was fishing on the charter boat, "Lucky Break" with Capt. Jason Mumford when he hooked the black drum while using sand fleas for bait. He also caught and released a good number of tautog during his trip.





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Noah Markle, Sam Sterner, Madison Wagman and Sheryl Ludwig returned to Bahia Marina with 3 nice size flounder in the box after drifting Gulp artificial baits in the East Channel. The anglers were fishing on the charter boat, "On the Run" with Capt. Dave Caffrey. Sam's 3 pounder was the largest fish of the day.



Thomas Gebhart of Hanover, PA just hit the minimum size requirement for northern mackerel when he caught this 14-incher while fishing on the headboat, "Judith M" with Capt. John Bunting, 10 miles off the coastline. Thomas was using squid and clams for bait. The "Judith M" is docked at Bahia Marina.



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Don't be fooled! That's not Santa Claus who was fishing on the charter boat, "Get Sum" last week with Capt. Nick Clemente and mate Willie Poole . It was Kevin Garner who was joined by Kellie, Kim, Stephanie, Tim and Jeff Garner, all from Palmyra, PA and Manheim, PA. The anglers returned to the Ocean City Fishing Center with 7 flatties in the box and all were caught on Gulp artificial baits in 67-degree water in the East and West Channels. Their largest flounder measured 18-inches.



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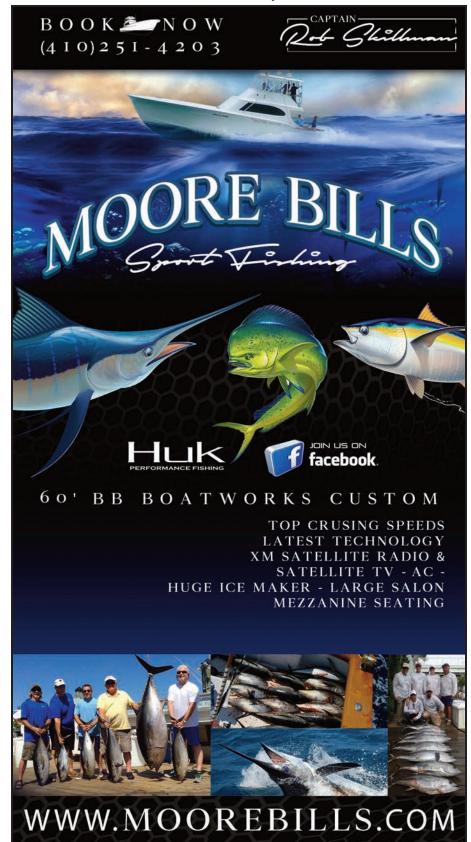


Max Robichaud, Mike Murray, Jim Schaffer, Cody Cole and Matt Tull ventured out to the Baltimore Canyon and returned to the Indian River Marina with 11 yellowfins in the box during a trip on the "Knot Again". Photo courtesy of Hook'em & Cook'em.





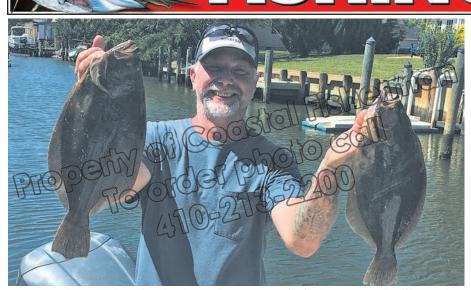
In early June, it was Mahi-Palooza for anglers fishing on the "Primary Search" when they returned with 163 lbs. of fish. They ended up with 15 in the box and released a mako and 3 undersized yellowfins during the trip. They also jumped off a white marlin. Fishing with Capt. Austin Ensor were Tommy Clark, Brandon Records, Aaron Colegrove, Brandle Ruble, Andrew Suschke, Bo Wilkerson, Brian Suschke and Anthony Clark.



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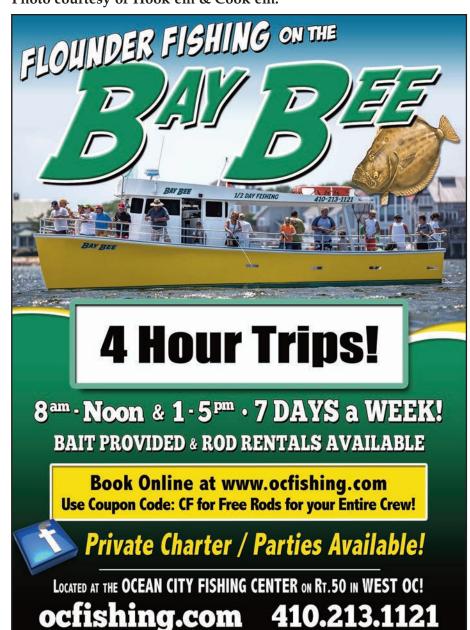


Heath Husky had the pleasure of fishing with flounder pounders, Nate Gregory and Katie Thatcher and he ended up catching a pair of keeper flounder in the Thorofare. The fish were hooked on Gulp artificial baits and measured 17 and 19 1/2-inches.





Abby and Liv Meyer from Centre Hall, PA weren't fishing far off the Fenwick coast on the headboat, "Judy V" with Capt. Chris Adams. The lady anglers caught a mixed bag of kingfish, spadefish and weakfish. The "Judy V" is docked at the Indian River Marina. Photo courtesy of Hook'em & Cook'em.



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Austin, Mark, Jackson, Mason and Phil Townsend joined Collin Beall, Wendy Beall (not pictured), Zach Burt, Capt. Mike Burt and mates David Burt and Dan Burt for a trip on the charter boat, "Pumpin Hard" and were rewarded with 17 yellowfin tuna and 3 mahi. The fish were caught on trolled ballyhoo and spreader bars in 80 fathoms between the Baltimore and Poor Man's Canyons. Pictured at Sunset Marina.



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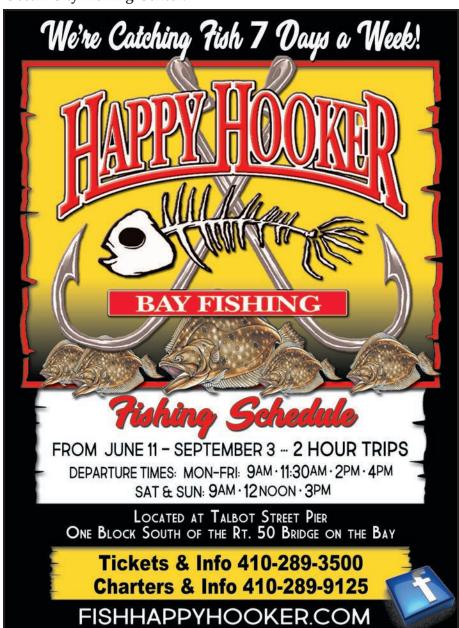
Luke, Michael and Bennett Scott from Berlin, MD drifted white Gulp Swimming Mullets in the East Channel, north of the Rt. 50 Bridge and came away with 4 keeper flounder, measuring between 17 and 20-inches. All were caught at the turn of the outgoing tide





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The black sea bass bite started off pretty good for anglers fishing on the headboat, "Morning Star" last week, but as the day went on the fish got picky. However, Shannon Heal from Smyrna, DE put on a clinic for the rest of the boat, ending the day with the most keepers, including this doubleheader. Whit Holden took the Largest Fish pool with an 18 3/4-incher. The "Morning Star" is docked at the Ocean City Fishing Center.



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Shawn, Tammi and Caleb Morris joined Robbie Brown for a trip on the charter boat, "Lucky Break" with Capt. Jason Mumford and mate Ethan Nock (pictured). The anglers caught 7 keeper flounder, with the largest measuring an even 20-inches. All were hooked on Gulp and Z-Man artificial baits in the Thorofare and around Drum Point. The "Lucky Break" is docked at Frontier Town.



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Jen Weddle from Elkton, MD caught a 17-inch, 1 lb. 12 oz. flounder while fishing on the headboat, "Tortuga" with Capt. Drew Zerbe. The flattie ate a pink Gulp and squid combination in the bay behind Assateague Island and was weighed at Bahia Marina.

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Anglers on the new "Primary Search" were chomping at the bit to get in on the tremendous yellowfin tuna bite in the Baltimore Canyon and on this day they returned to Sunset Marina with 19 in the box in addition to a mahi. Joining Capt. Austin Ensor were Joe Tull, Will Stafford, Brandon McFadden, Daniel Favato, Jaden Grimes, Eric Spiroff, Jordan Bosse and Kevin Logue.



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Over the last couple of weeks the yellowfin tuna bite has been exceptional and this group of anglers fishing on the charter boat, "Spring Mix II" jumped right in on the action last week, returning with 13 yellowfins and a pair of dolphin. The fish were hooked on ballyhoo and spreader bars between the Baltimore and Poor Man's Canyons. Fishing with Capt. Chris Watkowski and mate Ayrton Pryor were Paul Lebling, David Taylor, Dave Sauerzopf and Reid Carey. Pictured at the Ocean City Fishing Center.



This bald eagle was standing guard at the South Jetty when Rich Daiker caught it on camera during a trip aboard the "Delicious".

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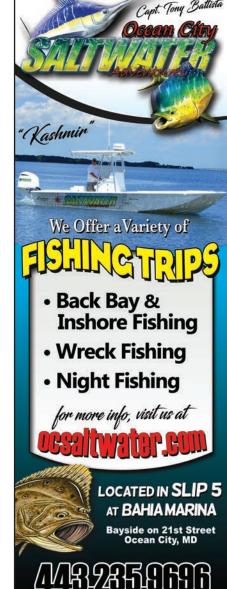
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mackerels.

I watched as three of my four rods were bowed up with fish. The port engine was still in gear keeping the "Last Call" in a slow turn. Come On! Where is number four???? Just as I was about to give up and stop the boat the last rod started shaking and we had completed our quadruple hookup. My anglers were all cranking away and I saw one of the fish break the surface.

"Woohoo! We've got a jumper!!!"

A few minutes later all of the fish had been landed and my trusty mate, Mr. Evans was resetting the spread. That pass over the edge of the shoal produced a mixed bag quad of bluefish and Spanish mackerel. I was really pleased to see the Spaniards. Usually these fish do not show up until the middle of July. I can't say I was surprised however. The night before I saw a post on social media from my friend Kevin who works on the charter boat "Fish Bound". The boys on that rig had put their charter on a mess of Spanish and king mackerel, as well as the ever popular bluefish, for the day. After a quick text to Kevin, I had the scoop on the location of the hot bite, as well as a tip on the best lures to use. (I owe ya a beer Kevin!) Surprised or not, I was still happy to see the

Over the past few years we have been seeing some of the most consistent Spanish and king mackerel fishing that I can ever recall in Ocean City. On light tackle these fish are loads of fun and they are decent table fare as well. I find that the best spots to catch them are on the shoals and lumps in 30 to 60 feet of water, places like the First Lump or Fenwick Shoal for example. Pretty much any edge up and down the coast can hold the fish though. Most of these spots are within fifteen miles of Ocean City, so on the right day even the small boat crowd can get in on the action. Heck, my old mate Travis and his buddy Colby have even made the trip to one of the shoals on a pontoon boat!

As far as what type of tackle to use I would recommend twelve to twenty pound test on a light action rod. Spinning or conventional tackle will work equally well. When trolling, I use Shimano TLD 20 reels on a 20 pound class star rod. If you find the fish on the surface and want to cast to them with spinning tackle I would say twelve pound test is plenty heavy enough.

For trolling, the best lure to use is a spoon. I like Clark spoons about the size of my

(they pinky have size designations, but I don't remember what size they are called). About three inches. Both gold and silver work. Some days one color will out produce the other, so it pays to experiment. On the troll, spoons work best behind a small rod planer or an inline lead weight. I like a three to four ounce in-line lead with a twenty to thirty foot length of 30 pound test leader. It is a good idea to put a small ball bearing swivel at the half way point of the leader to help eliminate line twist. Spoons do a lot of spinning! When putting the spoon behind the rod planer I like to go a little longer with the leader, maybe thirty five or forty feet, again with a swivel at the half way mark. My typical mackerel spread has a spoon and planer on each flat line and the spoon behind the inline lead on the right outrigger. If your boat doesn't have outriggers it will work right off the rod tip too. Now here comes my super sneaky tip. On the other rigger (or off the other tip if you are rigger-less) I like to troll a small skirt lure. You can buy these at most tackle shops. Just a plane skirt about three inches long. Blue and silver or black and silver work the best. Put a half to three-quarter ounce egg sinker in the head of the skirt. Thread thirty pound leader through the skirt and tie a hook on that has just a little more gap than the diameter of the sinker. I use a long shank hook and try to position it so the bend of the hook is right at the end of the

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skirt tentacles. Sometimes you need to use a spacer bead if the shank of the hook is a little short. The leader can be shorter on this rig. Maybe twelve feet or so. You want to make sure to use a very small snap swivel on this set up. Both Spaniards and their royal cousins will attack the swivel if you have one that attracts too much attention. And these critters are toothy!!! Your trolling speed should be between five and half and six and half knots.

I don't do much casting for the mackerels, but my friends who do tell me that you can use some weighted spoons or two ounce diamond jigs (Hopkins and Stingsilver are some good choices). Captain Wayne Blanks of "Bayside Guide Services" told me that you have to have a swift retrieve to trigger the most bites. He is a pretty fishy dude so I would heed his advice.

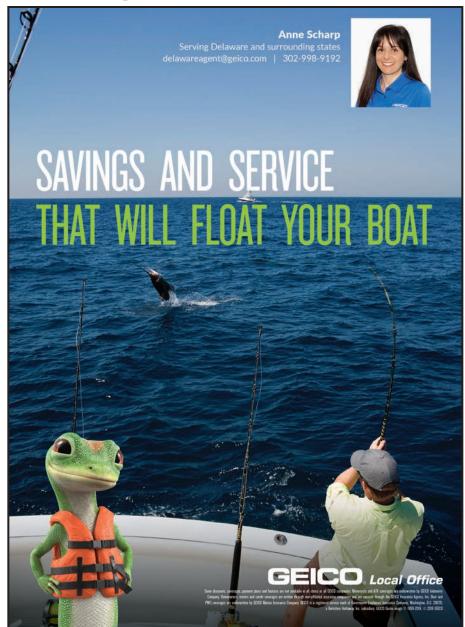
Hopefully the mackerel bite is as good this summer as it has been the past few years. It is definitely off to a good start. Maybe I will even see one of you out on the shoals with me cashing in on this exciting fishery!

Capt Franky Pettolina is Co-Captain of the charter boat, "Last Call" which is docked at the Ocean City Fishing Center, owner of Pettolina Marine Surveying, Inc. and multi-term President of the Ocean City Marlin Club. If you would like to book a charter on the "Last Call", please call 443-783-3699 or 410-251-0575.





Travis and Matt Meushaw caught some bluefish and Spanish mackerel while fishing on the charter boat, "Last Call" with their members of their family, Capt. Frank Pettolina, Capt. Franky Pettolina and mate Chris Evans. They also ventured off to southeast of the Jackspot where they released a hammerhead, dusky, blacktip and Atlantic sharpnose sharks.





While fishing on the charter boat, "Boss Hogg" with Capt. Corey Kennington and mates Marshall Freng and Wil Kennington, anglers Dennis Madden, Steve Godstrey, Bruce Booberg, Ed Herzing and Mark Stahl captured 6 yellowfins and 3 dolphin, all in 80 fathoms between the Baltimore and Poor Man's Canyons.

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On some days last week, 80 fathoms between the Baltimore and Poor Man's Canyons was where you wanted to be and that is the spot that Capt. Mark Hoos and mates Dakota Bittner and Josh Lowery headed with their anglers on Wednesday. Greg Schaub, Tom Perella, Nick Skidmore, Jerry Marquardt, Steve Shepos and Rob Howrey had a busy day cranking in yellowfin tuna and ended up with 18 in the box after hooking them on spreader bars and daisy chains. Pictured at Sunset Marina.



Last Saturday afternoon, Lee O'Malley, Steven Ward and Grace Ward caught 6 flounder while fishing on the charter boat, "Get Sum" with Capt. Nick Clemente and mate Willie Poole. All of the flatties were fooled with white Gulp Swimming Mullets in the East Channel. Pictured at the Ocean City Fishing Center.

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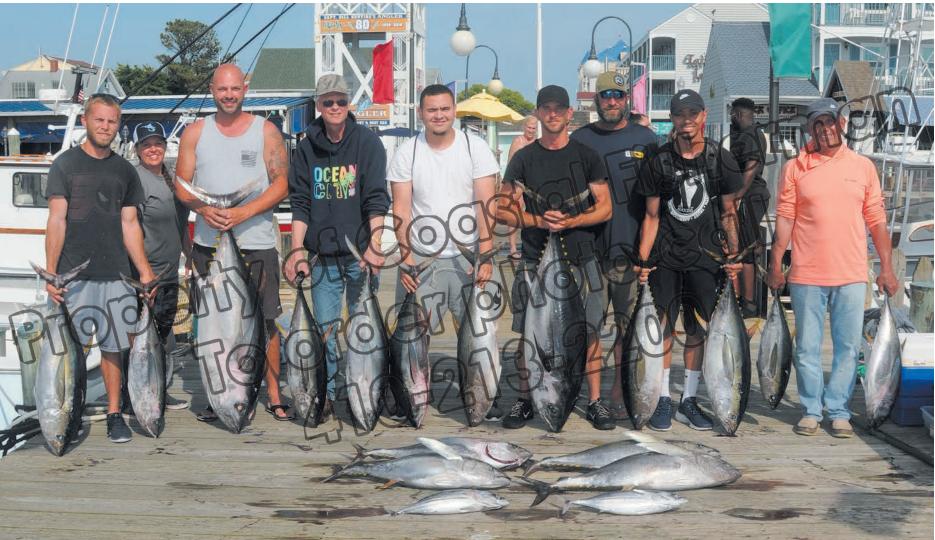
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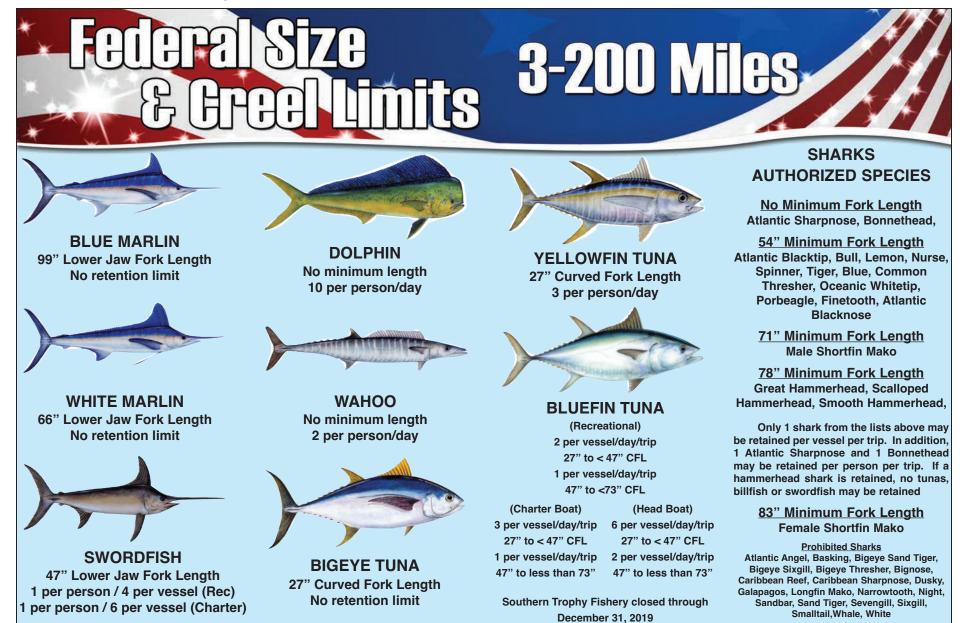
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Dennis Morgan and Craig Hyson from Lewes, DE, Brett Hyson and Jadon Halliday from Georgetown, DE, Adam Aguado and Charles Aguado from Seaford, DE and Cam Halliday from Millsboro, DE had a great day fishing on the "Restless Lady II" last week with Capt. Ed Kaufman and mates Shannon Ehinger and Adam Price. The anglers returned to the Talbot Street Pier with a pair of bigeye tuna, weighing 105 and 115 lbs., and 14 yellowfin tuna. All of the action took place while trolling ballyhoo and spreader bars in 100 fathoms between the Baltimore and Poor Man's Canyons..



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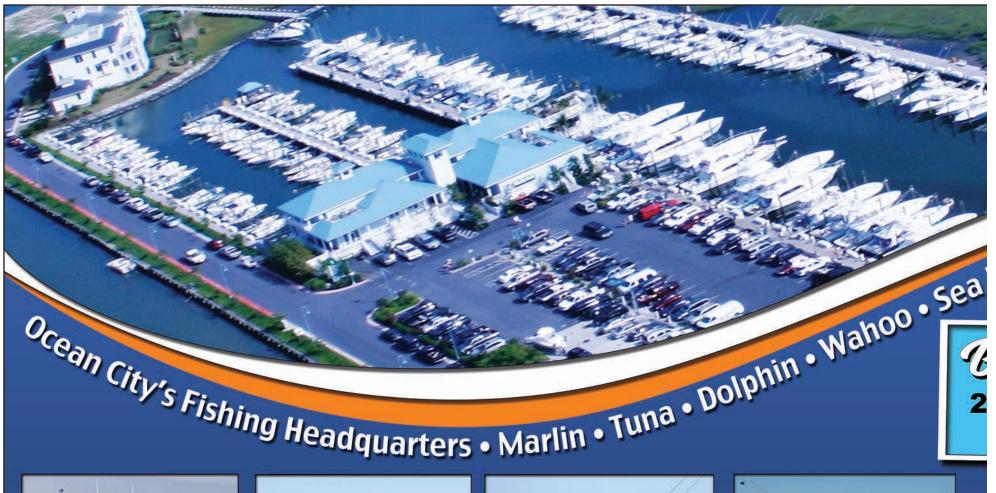
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This 9 lb. 8 oz. bluefish fell at the hands of Allison Lorden while she was drifting a Gulp and minnow combination in the East Channel off 9th Street aboard the "WIZZY".



It was a windy day and the Thorofare was choppy, but the water was clean enough for Josh Rosenberger of Gettysburg, PA to fool this 18-inch flounder with a white Gulp Swimming Mullet.

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Adrian Lillquist muscled in this 38.8 lb. golden tilefish while fishing on the "Annie Lee" with Justin Faulkner. The 39 1/4-inch fish sported a 34-inch girth and was pulled from the deep in the Washington Canyon last Sunday.

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Over the weekend, we saw a couple of swordfish hit the local docks including this 54-incher caught on the 'Quick Draw". The sword was caught while deep dropping in 1,200 feet of water in the Washington Canyon where they also boated a yellowfin tuna on a Sterling Tackle Crazy 6. The swordfish tipped the Sunset Marina scale at 78 lbs. The first swordfish of the day was caught on the "Longshot" in 1,700 feet of water outside the Washington Canyon. Pictured are "Quick Draw" anglers Wayne Demarco, Paul DiFebo, John DiFebo, Jim Zimmerman and Capt. Ken Fleetwood.



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Grilled Mahi-Mahi with Yellow Pepper-Cilantro Pesto

- 2 TBSP Spanish paprika
- 1 TBSP ancho chile powder
- 2 tsp. ground cumin
- 2 tsp. dark brown sugar

1 tsp. chile de arbol powder

- 1 tsp. kosher salt
- 1 tsp. coarsely ground
- black pepper 2 large yellow bell

peppers, grilled, peeled, seeded and chopped

- 2 cloves garlic, chopped
- 2 TBSP pine nuts
- 1 cup chopped fresh
- cilantro leaves 1/2 cup extra-virgin olive
- oil

Brick Oven Pizzeria

3 TBSP grated Parmesan1 tsp. kosher salt1 tsp. ground pepper4 mahi-mahi fillets4 tsp. olive oilCilantro leaves

Heat grill to high. Combine the first seven ingredients in a small bowl for a rub.

Place peppers, garlic, pine nuts, cilantro and cheese in a food processor and process until combined.

With the motor running, add the oil and process until emulsified.

Season with salt and pepper, to taste.

Brush each fillet on both sides with oil.

Rub 1 side of each fillet with 1 TBSP of the barbecue rub and place on the grill, rub

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side down and cook until slightly charred and a crust has formed, about 2 to 3 minutes.

Turn the fish over and grill for 3 to 4 minutes longer or until cooked to medium doneness.

Top each fillet with a few TBSP of the pesto and garnish with cilantro leaves. Serves 4.

Honey Mustard Glazed Salmon

1/4 cup Dijon mustard 1/4 cup whole-grain

- mustard
- 1/4 cup honey
- 2 TBSP soy sauce
- 2 garlic cloves, minced 1 1/2 tsp. thyme, finely
- chopped 4 skinless salmon fillets Canola oil, for brushing Kosher salt

Freshly ground pepper

In a medium bowl, whisk the mustards with the honey, soy sauce, garlic and thyme.

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The honey mustard can be refrigerated overnight.

Heat the grill to mediumhigh heat and oil the grate.

Brush the salmon fillets with oil and season with salt and pepper.

Grill the fillets for about 3 minutes.

Turn and grill about 3 minutes longer, until the tuna is nearly cooked through.

Generously brush both sides of the salmon with the honey mustard and grill, turning frequently, until richly glazed, about 1 minute.

Transfer to a platter or plates and serve with the remaining honey mustard.

Spicy Shrimp Tacos with Garlic Cilantro Lime Slaw

1/4 cup oil
1/4 cup water
1/2 cup green onions, chopped
1/2 cup cilantro leaves
3 cloves garlic



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Last Thursday, Marty Shaeffer, Brad Hale, Wyatt Hale, Jean Boudreux, Scott Garland and Dave Ruby teamed up to catch 14 yellowfin tuna while fishing on the charter boat, "Pumpin Hard" with Capt. Mike Burt and mate David Burt. All of the fish were fooled with trolled ballyhoo and spreader bars in 75 fathoms outside the Rockpile. Pictured at Sunset Marina.

1/2 tsp. salt Juice of 2 limes 1/2 cup sour cream for the shrimp tacos 1 lb. shrimp, peeled, deveined and tails removed 1 tsp. chili powder 1 tsp. cumin 1 tsp. southwest seasoning 1/4 tsp. cayenne pepper 3 cups shredded green cabbage 8 small corn tortillas 1-2 avocados Cotija cheese and additional cilantro for topping Lime wedges for serving

Pulse the first 7 ingredients in a food processor.

When smooth, add the sour cream and pulse until combined. Taste and adjust as needed. Set aside.

Heat a drizzle of oil in a large skillet over mediumhigh heat.

Pat the shrimp dry with paper towels and sprinkle with the spices.

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Add the shrimp to the hot pan and saute for 5 to 8 minutes, flipping occasionally, until the shrimp are cooked through.

Toss some of the sauce (not all) with the cabbage until the cabbage is coated to your liking. It should resemble a coleslaw. You want it to be covered with enough sauce so the cabbage is weighed down a little bit.

Use leftover sauce on top of the tacos.

To serve tacos, smash a spoonful of avocado on the tortillas and top with a few pieces of shrimp and coleslaw.

Finish with Cotija cheese, cilantro and lime wedges.

Stir-Fried Scallops & Asparagus

- 1 package (3 oz.) chicken ramen noodles
- 1 lb. fresh asparagus, trimmed and cut into 1-inch pieces
 1 medium sweet red pepper, julienned



- 1 TBSP olive oil
- 2 garlic cloves, minced
- 3 green onions, thinly
- sliced
- 1 lb. sea scallops, halved horizontally
- 1 TBSP lime juice
- 2 TBSP reduced-sodium
- soy sauce
- 1 tsp. sesame oil
- 1 tsp. hot pepper sauce

Discard seasoning package from ramen noodles.

Cook ramen noodles according package to directions; keep warm.

Meanwhile, in a nonstick skillet or wok, stir-fry asparagus and red pepper in oil for 2 minutes or until vegetables are crisp-tender.

Add green onions and garlic, stir-fry 1 minute longer. Stir in scallops.

Stir-fry for 3 minutes or until scallops are firm and opaque.

Combine the lime juice, soy sauce, sesame oil and hot pepper sauce. Stir into skillet. Serve with ramen noodles.

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Sauteed Flounder with Seasoned Brown **Butter**

- 2 flounder fillets Salt and pepper 2 cups flour
- 1 stick butter
- 3 TBSP parsley, minced
- 1 lemon, half for juice and
- half cut into wedges

Pat fillets dry and season with salt and pepper.

Dredge in flour and shake off excess flour.

In a measuring cup, melt butter in microwave.

Heat non-stick skillet over medium-high heat.

Pour in clear butter and leave milk solids in measuring cup.

Place fillets in hot butter and cook until golden.

Flip fillets and cook other side until golden brown.

Remove fillets to paper towels to drain.

In a small skillet, heat butter over medium-high heat until milk solids begin to

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This 19-inch flounder made the grave mistake of going after the Gulp artificial bait being offered by Jared Elderth, age 13, from Colora, MD while drifting in the East Channel. Jared was fishing on the charter boat, "Lucky Break" with Capt. Jason Mumford.



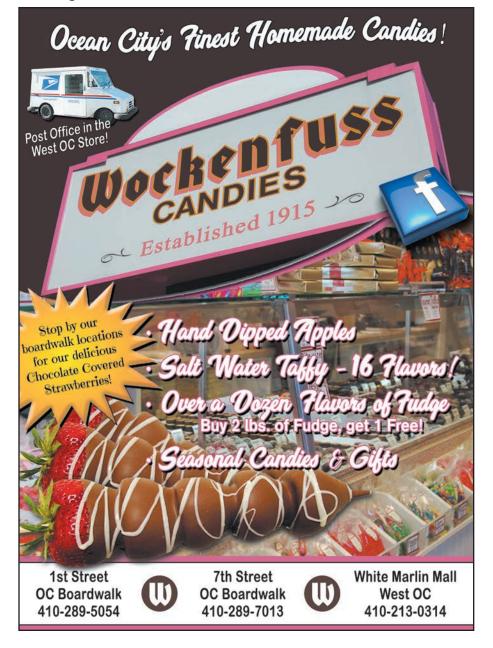


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Joel Carlise muscled in this 76 lb. yellowfin tuna while fishing in the Washington Canyon with Brian Gay, Eric Gay, Jacob Bower and Tom Jackson. The anglers went 14 for 19 on yellowfins during their trip.



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Stir in lemon juice and parsley.

Drizzle browned butter over fillets and serve immediately.

Yellowfin Tuna with Olive, Cucumber and Cilantro Relish

3 cucumbers

1/2 cup pitted mixed olives, cut into a 1/4inch dice

1/4 cup packed fresh cilantro leaves2 TBSP fresh lemon juice,

plus lemon wedges for serving

1/4 cup plus 3 TBSP extravirgin olive oil

Sea salt

Freshly ground pepper

6 tuna steaks

4 TBSP unsalted butter

Using a vegetable peeler, remove half of cucumber peels in alternate strips.

Halve the cucumbers

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lengthwise and scoop out and discard seeds.

Cut cucumbers into a 1/4-inch dice.

In a small bowl, combine cucumbers, olives and cilantro.

Add lemon juice and 1/4 cup oil.

Season with salt and pepper.

Season tuna fillets with salt and pepper.

Heat a large, heavy castiron skillet over high heat.

Add 2 TBSP oil to skillet. When oil begins to shimmer, add 3 tuna steaks.

Sear 1 minute, then flip and cook 30 seconds more.

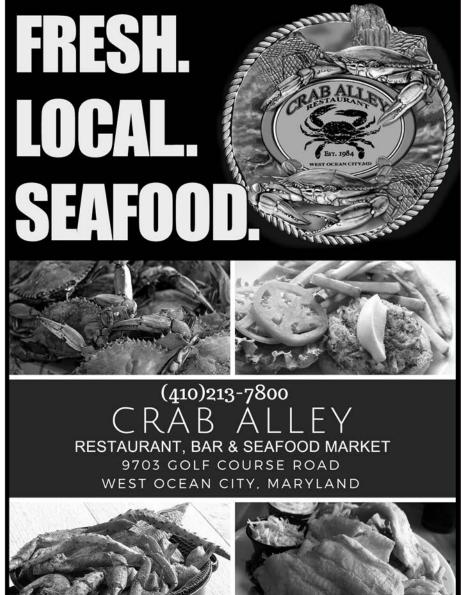
Add 2 TBSP butter, swirl to melt and cook 10 seconds more.

Transfer fish to a platter, tenting with foil to keep warm.

Wipe out skillet and repeat with remaining 1 TBSP oil, 3 tuna steaks, and 2 TBSP butter.

Top tuna with relish. Serve with lemon wedges

and more relish alongside.



www.coastalfisherman.net Crab Casserole

Salt and pepper to taste 3 slices bread, made into fine breadcrumbs

- 1 tsp. dry mustard
- 3 TBSP Worcestershire
- sauce
- 1 cup mayonnaise, plus an additional 4 TBSP (optional)
- 1 small onion, diced
- 1 1/2 green peppers,
- chopped
- 3 eggs, beaten3 lbs. jumbo lump crab meat

2 egg whites (optional)

Preheat oven to 350degrees.

In a large bowl, sprinkle breadcrumbs over crabmeat.

Saute onion and peppers until soft.

Beat eggs, dry mustard, salt and pepper, mayonnaise and Worcestershire sauce.

Grease a 13x9 baking dish. Add crab to baking dish. Pour egg mixture over crab and sprinkle onion and peppers evenly over the top. Bake for 40 minutes.

If desired, beat two egg whites with three to four TBSP of mayonnaise. Spread on top of casserole and bake for two more minutes.

Blackberry Balsamic Weakfish

- 1/2 cup blackberries
- 2 TBSP orange juice
- 1 TBSP orange zest
- 1 TBSP balsamic vinegar
- 1 TBSP extra virgin olive
- oil 1 TBSP honey
- 1 tsp. Dijon mustard
- 1 tsp. soy sauce
- 2 garlic cloves, minced
- 1 TBSP fresh basil Salt and pepper to taste 1 lb. weakfish fillets Salt and pepper to taste
- 2 TBSP fresh basil, torn 2 cups blackberries

Puree first ten ingredients in a food processor.

Season the weakfish with salt and pepper to taste



Brush on 1/2 of the blackberry glaze and bake in a preheated 400-degree oven until just cooked, about 10-15 minutes.

Drizzle on the remaining blackberry sauce and sprinkle on the basil and fresh blackberries before serving.

Serves 3-4.

The Chelsea Sidecar

1 oz. gin

- 1 oz. triple sec
- 1 oz. lemon juice

Combine all ingredients in a cocktail shaker and strain into a cocktail glass.

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2 oz. Tito's vodka

- 1 oz. triple sec
- 1 oz. cranberry juice
- 1/3 oz. lime juice
- 1 Swedish Fish candy

Frost rim of martini glass with sugar.

Half fill cocktail shaker with crushed ice.

In the cocktail shaker, combine vodka, triple sec, cranberry juice and lime juice.

Shake for 30 seconds.

Pour into glass and garnish with Red Swedish Fish candy.



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While fishing on the "All In" with Capt. Scott Stapleford, anglers found this mako shark, estimated at 68-inches, curious in what they had to offer. The shark was also interested in taking a chunk out of their boat. The blue marks on the sharks nose is the bottom paint off the "All In".



Gabriel Dalfonso, age 9, from West Ocean City, MD caught his very first yellowfin tuna last week during a trip on the "Drop Money" with David Dalfonso, Earl Starner and Martin Koerner. The anglers hooked 4 yellowfins during the trip with the heaviest tipping the scale at 55 lbs. All were caught on spreader bars and daisy chains in the Baltimore Canyon.





Kim Justice from Bishopville, MD ventured over to the Chesapeake Bay and while fishing out of Wenona, MD she caught and released this 41-inch red drum after hooking it on a peeler crab.



Patrick Brannan from Kempton, PA, Dan Petrus from Tatamy, PA and Brenton Riegel from Germansville, PA went 4 for 6 on yellowfin tuna while trolling naked ballyhoo and spreader bars in 100 fathoms between the Baltimore and Poor Man's Canyons. All three anglers landed their very first tuna while fishing on the "Too Easy". Their heaviest fish weighed 40 lbs.





For this group of anglers fishing on the charter boat, "Reel Chaos" with Capt. Anthony Matarese and mates Mike Matarese and Jake Graves, 18 yellowfin tuna and 8 mahi hit the deck while trolling ballyhoo and spreader bars in 100 fathoms in the Baltimore Canyon. Pictured back at Sunset Marina are Garrett Mullaney, Ryan Mullaney, Megan Mullaney, Jay Binsted and Andrew McNulty.



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During a trip on the charter boat, "On the Run" with Capt. Dave Caffrey, anglers Grayson Dwyer and Brian Bartell boated a couple of striped bass while tossing rubber shads around the South Jetty. The stripers measured 32 and 35-inches. Pictured at Bahia Marina.



Flounder fishing on the outside of the South Jetty can be a very productive way of catching some nice size flatties and that is exactly what the Cannuli girls did before heading off to church on Sunday. Philomena and Veronica used peanut bunker to fool a pair of 17 1/2inch flounder and a 16 1/2-incher while fishing with their dad, Vince Cannuli.



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Tuna fishing was red hot last week and this group of anglers fishing on the charter boat, "Marli" got right in on the action. Matt Carter, Jacob Kaplan, Emil Kock, Dave Kaplan, Ryan Rae and Bill Vernon reeled in 18 yellowfins while trolling spreader bars and daisy chains in 80 fathoms in the Baltimore Canyon. As always, Capt. Mark Hoos was at the helm and mates Josh Lowery and Dakota Bittner were in the pit. Pictured at Sunset Marina.



Kathy Creel from West Ocean City, MD is an avid angler and loves to head out on the headboat, "Morning Star" with Capt. Monty Hawkins. On this day, Kathy took largest fish honors with an 18 1/2inch black sea bass in addition to a nice size flounder.



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The Green Wire

A quick look at the electrical wiring on your boat will easily demonstrate how popular green wiring is in a vessel. What make this green wire so popular and what is its purpose?

In general, the color green is used for grounding and bonding on a boat, similar to the land-based use in residential and commercial electrical wiring. Though just looking at the wire's color on a boat is not enough to understand its purpose unless you know how it is connected.

The most common use of the green wire is to act as an electrical safety ground for AC (Alternating Current) that is supplied by shore power or your generator. This is similar to household wiring in color and function. Alternating current uses at minimum, a pair of electrical wires to carry power to an appliance, light or other consumer of electricity. The green ground wire is NOT normally a current carrying conductor unless there is a fault in the appliance, equipment, wiring, etc. This green grounding wire is often referred to as a safety ground.

This green wire can act as an alternate electrical current path in the event of a short circuit at any of the AC appliances on board.

Without this green ground, the electrical current could flow to a person as a ground – which could be felt as an electrical shock. A properly wired ground will allow the leaking electrical current to flow to the ground and therefore tripping the circuit breaker, shutting off the source of power to the defective appliance or circuit.

All the green safety ground wires are tied together at a single common point on a boats electrical system, usually behind the main panel.

What if there is an electrical problem that is not a direct short, but a low amperage "leak" due to faulty equipment or wiring? In this case there is not enough loss for the circuit breaker to trip and the small

amount of electricity ends up on all the interconnected green wires. This current may go unnoticed until somebody gets shocked when touching something metal on-board or while in the water near the boat.

This shocking situation is avoided if a GFCI outlet was used. A GFCI outlet is used in residential bathrooms, kitchens and other wet or damp areas. This type of device recognizes an imbalance of electrical flow and trips when there is electrical leakage. Installing GFCI outlets on everything that uses AC power on a boat is not practical, but installing a similar special breaker to protect the whole boat has become common practice in new boats and required on most new boats since 2014. The device is called an equipment leakage circuit interrupter or ELCI and functions similar to a GFCI outlet, but protects the entire boat at the entry point of the shore power connection.

Many marinas have begun updating their electrical system to meet new regulations and have installed Ground Fault Protection (GFP) or Ground Fault Equipment Protector (GFEP) breakers at the shore power pedestals. If the boat has electrical leakage, this shore-based breaker will trip and shut off power until the on-board problem is fixed. Often boaters do not know if they have problem until they plug into shore power at a marina with a newer electrical system. This shoreside solution is to help ensure electrical shock safety for all boats, especially those who do not have an ELCI onboard. In addition to helping to prevent on-board problems, these systems help prevent drowning deaths (Electric Shock Drowning) most common in freshwater where the boat's leaking electrical current energizes the water around the boat and shocks and drowns swimmers or anybody in the water near the boat.

If your boats shore power circuit is tripping one of these safety devices, the exact problem within the boat can be difficult to find and can cause problems between marina staff and the boats crew.

Some common sources for electrical problems relating to shore power imbalance/leakage are:

• faulty power cord, splitter or smart Y adapters

• corroded electrical connections

• faulty galvanic isolators,



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washers and dryers, hot water heaters, battery chargers, ice makers, refrigerators, airconditioning control boards, inverters and generator transfer switches.

This is not an inclusive list, but a good place to start if your boats electrical system is having a problem.

If you are experiencing a problem, one way to narrow it down is to turn off power to all devices on the boat by turning off all alternating current breakers on the boat and then try connecting to the dock. If that doesn't trip the dockside beaker, then turn on one circuit at a time until you find the problem circuit or circuits. Then you can investigate that circuit and the connected devices. If the dockside breaker still trips with all of the breakers off, then the problem is isolated to the shore power cord and connected hardware before the main electrical panel.

For those interested:

• A Ground Fault Protection (GFP) breaker trips at 100 milliamps, Ground

•Fault for Equipment (GFEP) trips at 30 milliamps, Equipment Leakage

•Circuit Interrupter (ELCI) trips at 30 milliamps and a Ground-Fault

•Circuit Interrupter (GFCI) receptacle trips at 5 milliamps.

Green wire on a boat also serves as another important function in creating a bonding system for underwater metals, which we will cover in Part II next week.

Captain Steve Katz is the owner of Steve's Marine Service and holds NMEA, AMEI and NMEA2000 certificates along with ABYC Master Technician certification and factory training from many manufacturers. To reach Steve, call 410-231-3191.



While fishing at the top of the outgoing tide at the Inner Wall in the Delaware Bay, angler Hunter Walsh from Lewes, DE captured a pair of 20-inch flounder on pompano jigs tipped squid and Gulp Swimming Mullets.



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Kelly Ehrmann from Philadelphia, PA is all smiles after battling this 5 lb. bluefish while fishing on the "Lucky 1" with Charlie Donohue. Kelly hooked the gator on a Rat-L-Trap by the Rt. 50 Bridge.



Kyle Bartley from Magnolia, DE muscled in this 79.7 lb. yellowfin tuna while fishing with Capt. Travis Scott and mate Andrew Brown on the "Canyon Hunter". The guys were trolling ballyhoo and spreader bars in the Baltimore Canyon. Weighed at Hook'em & Cook'em Tackle Shop in the Indian River Marina.



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In the 1st Annual Chesapeake Bay Sportfishing Association Tuna-Fortuna Tournament held last weekend, the crew on the "PYY Marine" brought a pair of yellowfins to the scale that weighed 27 and 31 lbs. in addition to an 11 lb. mahi. All of the fish were caught on trolled ballyhoo and spreader bars in 50 fathoms near the Rockpile. Pictured at the Sunset Marina tournament scale.





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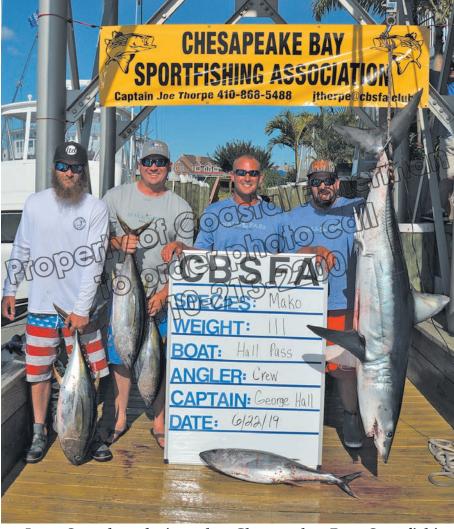
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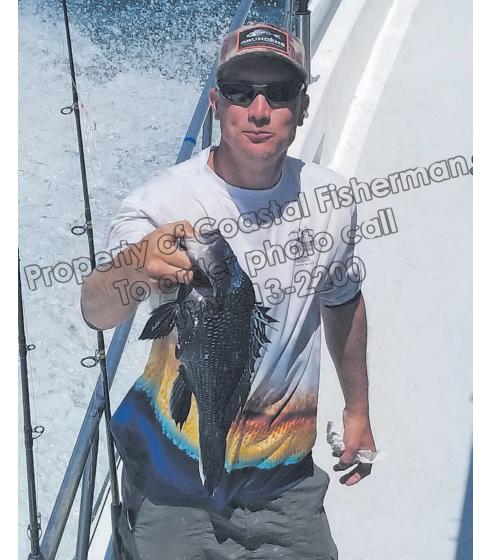
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Bluefish	June 2, 2019 Isabel Blanks Rt. 50 Bridge 14 lbs. 12 oz.	June 13, 2019 Ray Mast Delaware Bay 17 lbs.	Mako Shark	June 23, 2019 John Dudley Washington Canyon 486 lbs.	June 2, 2019 Mike Baumgartner Poor Man's Canyon 159 lbs.	
Black Drum	No Weights Reported	May 22, 2019 A.J. Marta Delaware Bay 64 lbs.	Thresher Shark	June 1, 2019 Marc Troch Fingers 553 lbs.	June 15, 2019 Dave Twardowski Old Grounds 528 lbs.	
Cobia	No Weights Reported	June 7, 2019 George Simon Fenwick Surf 34 lbs. 11 oz.	Bigeye Tuna	June 19, 2019 Bill Pino & Bill Keller Poor Man's Canyon 237 lbs.	June 15, 2019 Steven Davis Poor Man's Canyon 168.8 lbs.	
Flounder	June 4, 2019 Budd Heim East Channel 6 lbs.	June 21, 2019 Georgia Merrick Indian River Bay 6 lbs.	Bluefin Tuna	May 27, 2019 Steve Brokenshire Poor Man's Canyon 155 lbs.	June 2, 2019 John Klerlien Baltimore Canyon 157.4 lbs.	
Sea Bass	May 15, 2019 Bobby Eberhard Ocean Wreck 5 lbs.	June 6, 2019 Elaine Becker Ocean Wreck 3 lb. 3 oz.	Longfin Tuna	No Weights Reported	June 1, 2019 Ed Luhrman Baltimore Canyon 54 lbs.	
Sheepshead	June 7, 2019 Ron Nickey "On the Run" 11 lbs. 12 oz.	No Weights Reported		June 15, 2019 Joel Carlise Washington Canyon 76 lbs.	May 31, 2019 Brent Huey Poor Man's Canyon 24.5 lbs.	
Striped Bass	May 9, 2019 Dan Rivera Ocean City Inlet 37.5 lbs.	May 9, 2019 Bob Holsberger Indian River Surf 15 lbs. 6 oz.	Dolphin	May 31, 2019 Steve Hamilton "The Zipper" 25 lbs.	June 8, 2019 Brent Huey Baltimore Canyon 24 lbs.	
Tautog	May 7, 2019 Eddie Santiago "Fish Bound" 20 lbs.	January 7, 2019 Steve Kiibler Site 11 19 lbs. 13 oz.	Wahoo	No Weights Reported	No Weights Reported	
Weakfish	June 6, 2019 Rich Daiker South Jetty 6 lbs. 8 oz.	June 5, 2019 Ryan Lewis Indian River Inlet 5 lbs. 6 oz.	White Marlin	June 1, 2019 "Uncle Keith" 2 releases	Day (trolling only) June 2, 2019 "Rock On" 1 release	

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Last Saturday during the Chesapeake Bay Sportfishing Association Tuna-Fortuna Tournament, anglers on the "Hall Pass" captured a a 79-inch, 111 lb. (gutted) mako shark in addition to 4 yellowfin tuna. The mako hit a Stretch lure and the tunas were hooked on spreader bars, all around the 800/800. Fishing with Capt. George Hall were Nick Lane, Kiel Fisher and Alias Jenkins.



Bobby West used a strip of squid to pull this 3 lb. black sea bass off a natural ocean reef during a trip on the headboat, "Angler" with Capt. Chris Mizurak and mates Rich Fouts and Dean Lo.



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This Week Last Year •Flounder fishing improving on ocean structure and especially at the Old Grounds, Site 10 and around "B" Buoy.

•Flounder fishing picked up in the Lewes Canal.

•Throwback ratio was high for sea bass. Had to go 30-miles offshore to find larger fish.

Inshore flounder spots holding a lot of sea robins.Spot showed up in the

Rehoboth Bay.

• Kingfish biting on Delaware Bay reef sites and in the surf off Fenwick.

• A few sheepshead were caught off the South Jetty at the Indian River Inlet.

•Tremendous tuna bite in the Baltimore and Poor Man's Canyons with some flipping over to chunking.

•Short stripers in Fenwick Ditch.

Last weekend was the 5th Annual Kids Catch-All Tournament at the Indian River Marina and it was a fantastic tournament. This year they had 107 kids registered which was a big jump from last year when they had 68 kids entered. As always, there were a lot of croaker, spot, bluefish, some flounder, weakfish, triggerfish, tuna and even a 470.2 lb. thresher shark brought in by Thomas and Tanner Haugh that was caught near "B" Buoy on fresh bunker. Most importantly, there were a lot of smiling faces at the scales!

At Hook'em & Cook'em Tackle Shop in the Indian River Marina, Capt. Bert Adams reported a slow flounder bite in the Indian River Inlet with only a few limits coming in throughout the week. Bert said that the bite was better for anglers in boats than it was for those fishing off the shoreline. Gulp Pink Shine and Nuclear Chicken seemed to be the top producers and those drifting near the Coast Guard Wall were probably in the best location. Bert did say that some flounder were caught in the Indian River Bay last week near Holt's Landing.

Also in the Inlet, a few weakfish were caught and a couple of sheepshead were hooked by anglers fishing off both jetties with sand fleas. Although keeper striped bass have been more scarce than people who use their turn signals, some small throwbacks have kept some anglers busy while fishing from the rocks at night.

In the surf off Indian River, surfcasters are finding snapper bluefish eating anything tossed their way. Most of the fish are in the 12-inch range. The kingfish bite is still rolling along. Anglers found them when they started casting further off the beach than normal while using Fishbites and bloodworms for bait. There was also a 40-inch cobia caught last week off the beach in South Bethany and a 28-incher was released closer to Indian River. Some Spanish mackerel were hooked on spoons 30 yards off the beach.

The "Judy V" out of Indian River found very good flounder fishing on Friday, 7 to 12 miles off the coast and anglers on the "Capt. Bob" had a good bite first thing in the morning on Sunday. In the first hour of fishing they had 18 keepers in the box and another 30 throwbacks.

Speaking of flounder, the ocean bite is really starting to pick up, especially at the Old Grounds and Sites 10 and 11. Bert had a 9 pounder come in last week from an angler who was fishing 7 miles off, outside of Site 10. If you like flounder fishing and have never ventured out to the ocean reefs and wrecks, you really should give it a try. The fishing can be excellent plus you don't have to contend with the boat traffic as much.

Capt. Mike at Rick's Bait & Tackle reported that he hasn't heard of much coming from the Lewes Canal. Mike also said that

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the ocean is where you want to be for flounder fishing right now. He has also seen an improvement in that bite with several fish coming into the shop that weighed over 5 lbs.

Anglers are still picking at sea bass although most seem to have flipped over to flounder fishing. Anglers still seem to be heading to the DelJerseyLand site where they are finding some sea bass and flounder.

Weakfish were caught at the Star Site Reef and at both the Inner and Outer Walls.

The croaker bite is getting better and Mike said it is showing some consistency. His anglers are catching them on the south side of the Indian River Inlet on Fishbites, Gulp and squid.

Small bluefish are being caught at Fenwick Shoal and I wouldn't be surprised to see a few mackerel caught there as well.

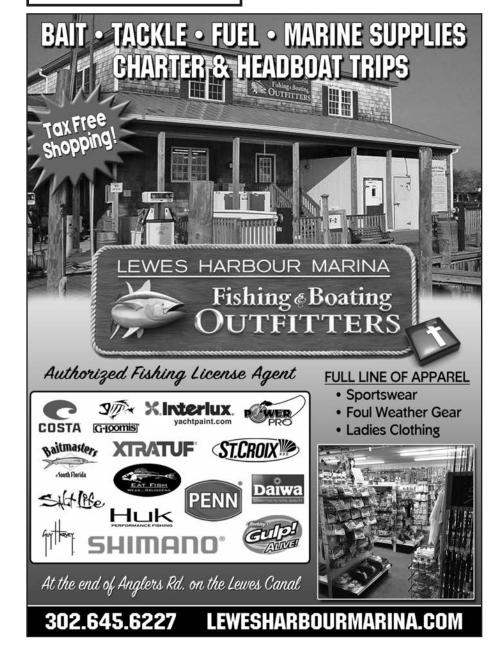
At Fenwick Shoal, Capt. Matt said that he is seeing snapper bluefish and kingfish come in from surfcasters fishing off Fenwick Island. The bluefish are eating everything and the kingfish are being hooked on bloodworms and Fishbite sand fleas. As always, sharks, skates and rays are dominating the surf action at night.

Surprisingly, he also saw a 23-inch bluefish captured in the Fenwick Ditch.

Offshore, we saw tremendous yellowfin bites in the Poor Man's and Washington Canyons, especially around the 800/800. We typically see this action taper off on the weekend when a thousand boats converge on the area and it was no different last weekend. The yellowfins definitely got smaller over the weekend with most in the 25 to 30 lb. range. Mahi were mixed in with the yellowfins and were usually in the 8 to 10 lb. class of fish. Bluefin tuna popped up again on inshore lumps around the Hot Dog, 8-Mile Lump and the Parking Lot.

We mentioned the thresher shark that was caught by "B" Buoy earlier in the column. There were also numerous makos hooked down in the Washington Canyon and tuna fishermen had to content with sharks attacking fish as they were being reeled in.

Until next week, have fun and tight lines.



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Greg Bowman from Harrisburg, PA caught his limit of flounder while fishing from his kayak in the Lewes Canal. Greg used Gulp artificial baits to fool the flatties that ranged in size from 17 to 21-inches. Pictured at Lewes Harbour Marina.



D.J. Mattis caught and released his very first white marlin and Marty Shaeffer added another one to his list while fishing on the charter boat, "Pumpin Hard" with Brad Hale, Jimmy Wagner, Tom Cote, Cody Joiner, Capt. Mike Burt and mate David Burt. The group also took advantage of the hot yellowfin tuna bite in 70 to 100 fathoms in the Baltimore Canyon where Capt. Mike found water temperatures between 69 and 70-degrees. Pictured at Sunset Marina.

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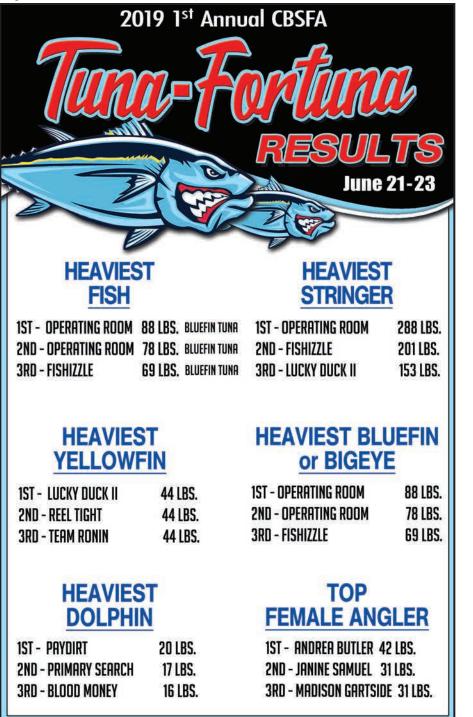
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On the 2nd day of the inaugural Chesapeake Bay Sportfishing Association Tuna-Fortuna Tournament, the crew on the "Lucky Duck II" arrived at the scale after catching 17 yellowfins and 3 mahi while trolling ballyhoo and spreader bars around the 800/800. Their 44 lb. yellowfin ended up in 1st place in the Heaviest Yellowfin Division and their 153 lb. stringer weight put them in 3rd place in the Heaviest Stringer Division. Fishing with Capt. Corey Kennington and mate Bill Mengason were Art Boykin, Kurt Wallace, Mark Bowen, Joe Gale, Chad Barrick, Tina Boykin and Brian Horman. Art also released a white marlin during their trip. The "Lucky Duck II" team took home \$23,188 in award money.



On the final day of the Chesapeake Bay Sportfishing Association Tuna-Fortuna Tournament, anglers on the "Fishizzle" weighed a 69 lb. bluefin tuna to jump into 3rd place in the Heaviest Fish Division and the Heaviest Bluefin Division. They weighed 2 additional bluefins that tipped the scale at 48 and 49 lbs, all caught near Massey's Canyon on ballyhoo and spreader bars. This put their 2-day stringer weight at 201 lbs., good enough for 2nd place in the Heaviest Stringer Division. Their 2 days of fishing earned the team \$10,692 in award money. Fishing on the "Fishizzle" were Brinley Fried, Nick Miller, Tommy Collins, Jim Griswold, Mike Mosmiller and Capt. Chris Miller. Pictured at Sunset Marina.

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On Saturday, the crew on the "Pay Dirt" pulled up to the Sunset Marina tournament scale with their 3 heaviest yellowfins and a 20 lb. dolphin that held on to win the Heaviest Dolphin Division in the Chesapeake Bay Sportfishing Association Tuna-Fortuna Tournament. Mark Benzing captured the winning dolphin while trolling ballyhoo and spreader bars at the 800/800, earning the team \$3,240 in award money. Joining Mark were Jason Delucia, Madison Gartside and Capt. Jason Gartside. Madison ended up placing 3rd in the Top Female Angler Division with a 31 lb. yellowfin, earning her \$360 in award money. Pictured at Sunset Marina.



The last boat to arrive at the scale on the 2nd day of the Chesapeake Bay Sportfishing Association Tuna-Fortuna Tournament was the "Reel Tight" after catching 11 yellowfins on the troll by the 800/800. Their heaviest fish weighed 44 lbs. which ended the tournament in 2nd place in the Heaviest Yellowfin Tuna Division. Fishing on the "Reel Tight" were Tyler Beck, Johnny Botts, John Dudley, Nick Pilipauskis, Brian Stewart, Capt. Steven Pilipauskis and mates Jeff and Chris Hardesty. Their 2nd place finish earned the team \$2,857 in award money.

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On Sunday, the crew on the "Team Ronin" weighed a 44 lb. yellowfin that ended the tournament in 3rd place in the Heaviest Yellowfin Division, worth \$855 in award money. They caught 3 yellowfins on Saturday and a pair of yellowfins and a dolphin on the final day of the tournament. The 3rd place tuna was hooked while trolling ballyhoo and spreader bars in 700 fathoms between the Baltimore and Poor Man's Canyons. Fishing on the "Team Ronin" were Kevin Grapes, Rob Overfield, Wes Muller and Capt. Minh Dang. Pictured at Sunset Marina.

On the final day of the Chesapeake Bay Sportfishing Association Tuna-Fortuna Tournament, Andrea Butler caught a 42 lb. yellowfin tuna to win 1st place in the Top Female Angler Division, worth \$900 in award money. Andrea hooked the winning fish while trolling ballyhoo and spreader bars between the Poor Man's and Washington Canyons. Andrea was fishing on the "Reel Insanity" with David Laux, Matthew Kitts, James Kitts, Dennis Brillhart and Capt. Scott Meckley. Pictured at Sunset Marina.



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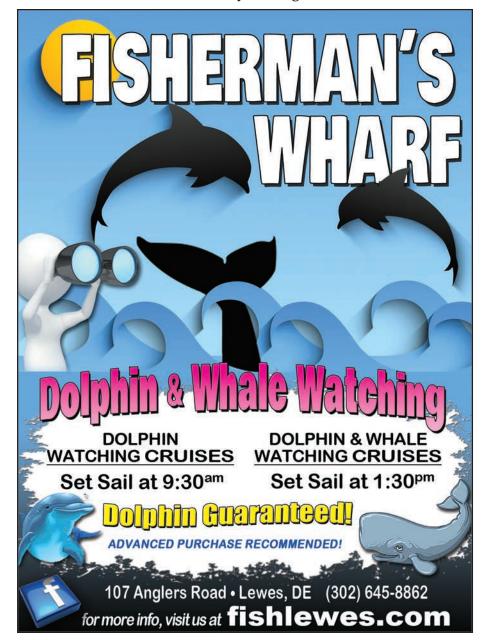
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While drifting at the north end of the bay behind Assateague Island, 3 flounder, measuring up to 18-inches, fell at the hands of Lloyd, Angela, Mikaila and Joey Riser during a trip on the charter boat, "Get Sum" with Capt Nick Clemente and mate Willie Poole. All were hooked on white Gulp Swimming Mullets. The "Get Sum" is docked at the Ocean City Fishing Center.

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Anglers fishing on the charterboat, "Moore Bills" jumped on the good yellowfin tuna bite deep in the Baltimore Canyon and returned to the Ocean City Fishing Center with 17 in the box, including one that got whacked by a shark during the fight. Fishing with Capt. Rob Skillman were Bob Faust, Sr., Bob Faust, Jr., Bob Faust, III, Drew McKone, Bob Eichelberger and Kyle Eichelberger.



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The highlight of this years Indian River Kids Catch-All Tournament was the 470.2 lb. thresher shark brought to the scale on the final day of the tournament by anglers Thomas and Tanner Haugh on the "Salt Shaker" with Capt. Ryan Haugh. The big thresher was hooked on fresh bunker inshore of "B" Buoy and weighed at Hook'em & Cook'em in the Indian River Marina.

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BLUEFISH	Giovanni Baiocco	1 lb. 13 oz.				
CROAKER	Gavin German	5 oz .				
FLOUNDER	Juliana Freeman	41b.4oz.				
MACKEREL	Fisher Low	l lb. ll.5 oz.				
MAH	Levi Wingert	10 lb.8 oz.				
SEABASS	Briar Wingert	lib.5oz.				
SHARK (Thresher)	Thomas & Tanner Hau	gh 470.21bs.				
SPOT	Matt Santoro	5 oz .				
TRIGGERFISH	Nicky Niebauer	21b.12oz.				
TROUT	Zane Winkler	lib.8 oz.				
TUNA	Isabella Abbonizio	39 lb.8 oz.				
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Giovanni Baiocco caught a 1 lb. 13 oz. bluefish on Sunday and held on to win 1st place in the Bluefish Division of the Indian River Kids Catch-All Tournament. Giovanni was fishing on the "Miss Ene III" and caught the winning bluefish on a squid and minnow combination at the Coral Beds. Pictured at the Hook'em & Cook'em Tackle Shop in the Indian River Marina.



On the first day of the Indian River Kids Catch-All Tournament, Juliana Freeman muscled in a 4 lb. 4 oz. flounder and held on to win 1st place in the Flounder Division. The winning fish was caught on a minnow and squid combination at "A" Buoy while fishing on the "Stampede" with Luca DiFebo and Bob DiFebo. Luca caught a 2 lb. 15.5 oz. flounder during the trip. Pictured at the Hook'em & Cook'em Tackle Shop in the Indian River Marina.

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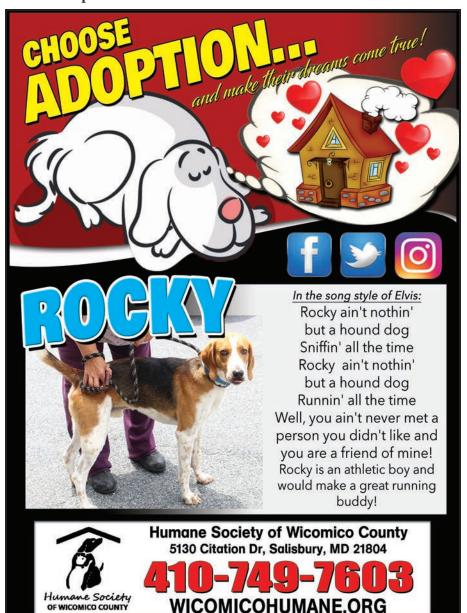
On opening day of the 5th Annual Indian River Kids Catch-All Tournament, Fisher Low on the "Bird Dog" captured a 1 lb. 11.5 oz. Spanish mackerel while trolling spoons in 65-degree water at Fenwick Shoal. It was one of 20 caught this day in addition to kingfish and bluefish. Fisher's Spanish mackerel held on to win 1st place in the Mackerel Division.



On the final day of the Indian River Kids Catch-All Tournament, Briar Wingert captured a 1 lb. 5 oz. black sea bass to win the Sea Bass Division. Briar hooked the winning sea bass on a squid and clam combination at an ocean reef site. He also caught bluefish and ling during the trip on the "Mean Business" with Capt. Casey Cook. Weighed at the Hook'em & Cook'em Tackle Shop in the Indian River Marina.



First place in the Mahi Division of the Indian River Kids Catch-All Tournament was won by Levi Wingert with a 24 lb. 4 oz. fish caught on a trolled ballyhoo in 100 fathoms in the Poor Man's Canyon. Levi was fishing on the "Collective Bargaining" with Capt. John Leichling and weighed his catch at the Hook'em & Cook'em Tackle Shop in the Indian River Marina.



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A 5 oz. croaker caught by Gavin German on the final day of the Indian River Kids Catch-All Tournament ended up winning 1st place in the Croaker Division. Gavin caught the fish in the Indian River Inlet while using shrimp for bait. Weighed at the Hook'em & Cook'em Tackle Shop in the Indian River Marina.



Zane Winkler caught a 1 lb. 8 oz. trout (weakfish) to win 1st place in the Trout Division of the Indian River Kids Catch-All Tournament held last weekend. Zane hooked the winning trout at an inshore wreck on cut bait while fishing on the "Castin' & Blastin'" with Zachary and Nathan Montague. The anglers also caught triggerfish, spot and bluefish during their trip. Pictured at the Hook'em & Cook'em Tckle Shop at the Indian River Marina.



Matt Santoro caught a 5 oz. spot to win 1st place in the Spot Division of the Indian River Kids Catch-All Tournament held last weekend. Matt hooked the spot, in addition to a toadfish and a croaker, while fishing with bloodworms at the Cape Henlopen Pier. Weighed at the Hook'em & Cook'em Tackle Shop in the Indian River Marina.



While fishing on the "Boy's Toy" on opening day of the Indian River Kids Catch-All Tournament, Isabella Abbonizio captured a 39 lb. 8 oz. yellowfin and held on to win 1st place in the Tuna Division. Isabella hooked the winning tuna on a spreader bar in 50 fathoms in the Baltimore Canyon where they found water temperatures at 70-degrees. It was 1 of 6 yellowfins caught on the trip with Mary, Francesca and Lucas Gessler, Matthew Abbonizio and Georgia Merrick. Pictured at the Hook'em & Cook'em Tackle Shop at the Indian River Marina.



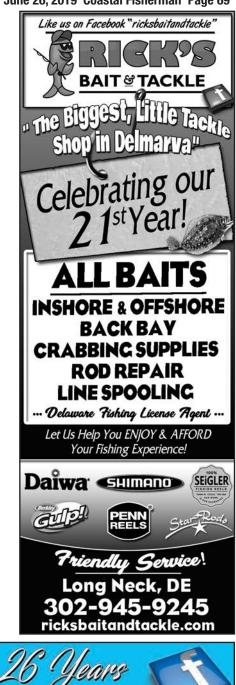
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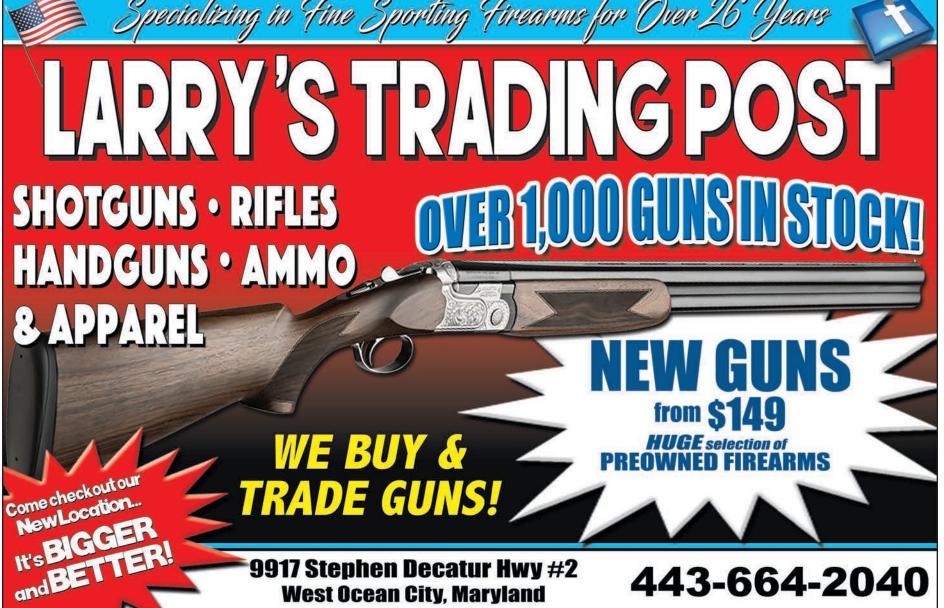
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Nicky Niebauer caught a 2 lb. 12 oz. triggerfish on the final day of the Indian River Kids Catch-All Tournament to win 1st place in the Triggerfish Division. Nicky was fishing on the "Miss Ene III" and hooked the winning fish on a chunk of clam at the Coral Beds. Pictured at the Hook'em & Cook'em Tackle Shop in the Indian River Marina.





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