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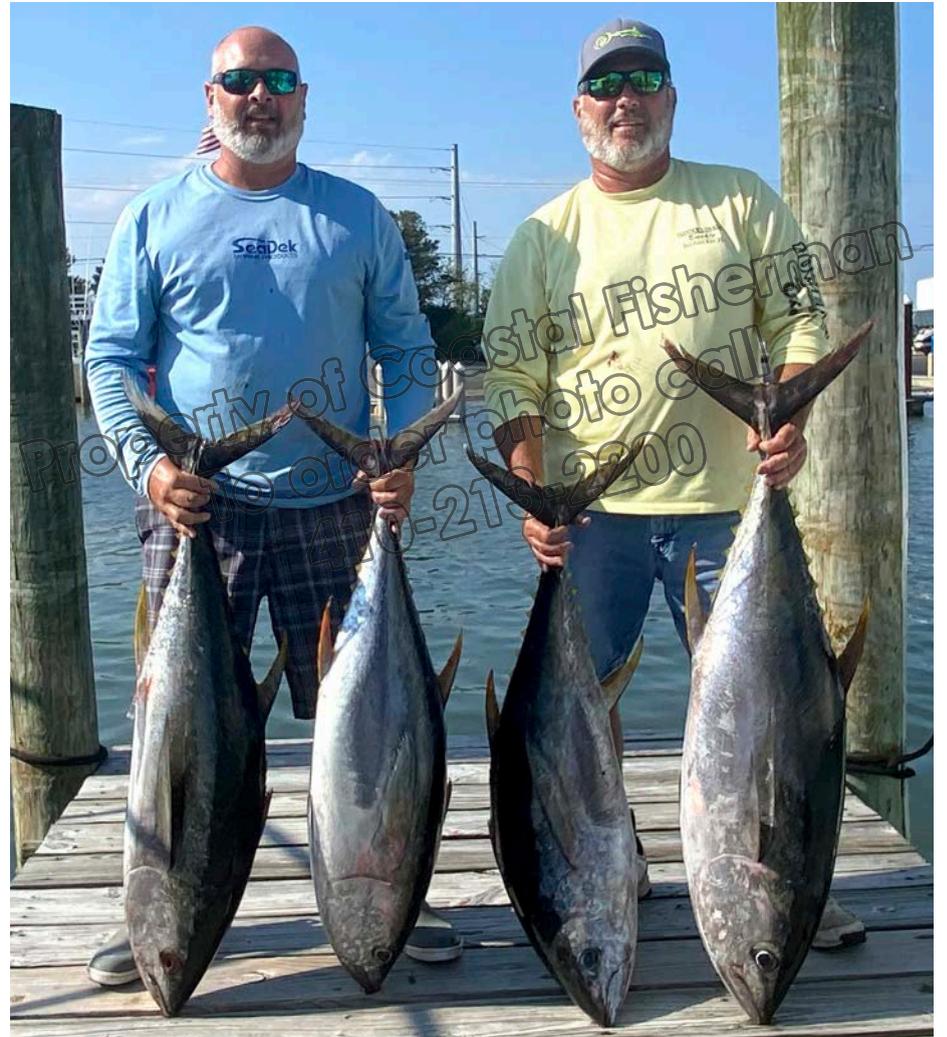
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It was a family affair last Sunday when the crew of the "Reel Chaos" went out to the Washington Canyon for some fishing to celebrate Capt. Anthony Matarese Jr. brother's birthday. It turned out to be quite a day catching this 281 lb. swordfish and a yellowfin tuna. Mates Mike Matarese and Jake Graves took good care of the crew of Bobby Graves, Chad DiFebo, Samantha Matarese and Anthony Matarese, Sr.



5 year old Reid Leedy of Gettysburg, PA. is all smiles with this 19" flounder he caught in the Thorofare. The fattie hit on a pearl white Gulp Swimming Mullet. 19 flounder overall were boated with this being the only keeper. Cool snake t-shirt too!



The tuna action was hot when Andy Nitkowski of Lincoln, DE and Dave Biles of Greenwood, MD. hit the Washington Canyon. These 4 nice yellowfins took everything in their spread from daisy chains to ballyhoo to wide trackers. In addition to the 180 lbs. of tuna, they also released an ocean sunfish and jumped of a white marlin.

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The crew of the private boat "Old Hat" out of the Ocean City Fishing Center took advantage of the tuna bite over the last few weeks. They caught 6 yellowfins near the Washington Canyon on skirted ballyhoo and daisy chains with green machines. On this trip were CA Hunter, Jake Hunter, Capt. Al Hunter, Dan Winters, Dean Groff, Steve Hunter, Brian Fink, and Jim Frazetti.

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# THE OFFSHORE REPORT

by Larry Budd

## Tuna

Early last week saw bigeye tunas being caught from the Baltimore to the Poor Man's Canyons averaging in the mid 100's in weight. They were in the warmer water anywhere from 300 to 800 fathoms. That bite cooled quickly as we moved into the week. The yellowfin bite remained consistent last week and saw steady and regular catches in the single digits with single and double hookups common. Capt. Mike Burt on the charter boat "Pumpin Hard" and Brian Porter on the "Boss Hogg" reported good yellowfin catches between the Poor Man's Baltimore Canyons. Last weekend saw some spikes with yellowfin catches in the teens.

## Billfish

As was mentioned in the Marlin Club Canyon Kickoff Tournament review, the white marlin fishing is very strong, seemingly across the central canyons. Skirted ballyhoo and spreader bars are doing the trick. Not many blue marlin releases are being reported but a highlight for this week was a 650 lb. blue that was brought into Hook'em & Cook'em at the Indian River Marina. That monster was on the rod for 6.5 hours!

## Deep Dropping

Lots of reports of anglers deep dropping for swordfish & tilefish last week. We had 3 swords reported with a big 281 lb. beauty landed by "Real Chaos" on July 5th. Also ones reported from "Bar South" and "Blue Eyes" being caught between the Baltimore and Washington Canyons. Most effective bait was tuna or mahi belly. Several golden tilefish were reported and a few of these deep droppers got rose fish as well.

Overall offshore has been producing well, but we have some concerns with upcoming weather.

Until next week, I'll see you at the docks.

### This Week Last Year

- The yellowfin tuna bite was good mid-week between the Poor Man's and Baltimore Canyons. Fish size grew with many in the 40 lb. range with an 88.2 lb. fish reported. The bigeye catch came in strong late in the week.
- Billfishing was strong with lots of white marlin releases between the Baltimore and Poor Man's Canyons. Several blue marlin releases in the Wilmington, Baltimore and Poor Man's Canyons.
- No real reports of dolphin, cobia or swordfish this time last year.
- Inshore the black sea bass bite was downright disappointing. The fish were out there, they were just not biting.

We have definitely entered full tournament mode with last weekend's Ocean City Marlin Club Canyon Kickoff, next week's Ocean City Tuna Tournament and one pretty much one every week until late August! These have been notably different events this year with precautions being taken to keep anglers, tournament officials and spectators safe. We at the Coastal Fishermen look forward to bringing our readers coverage of these events.

It was beautiful weather for the Marlin Club Canyon Kickoff last weekend. Many yellowfin tuna were brought to the scales from several different canyons and the Hotdog. Most of the action was on Friday when the leader-board changed hands several times in the first few hours. The first day ended with "Lucky Duck II" holding the lead at 51.4 lbs. and

"Grande Pez" holding a close 2nd at 51.2 lbs. Over the course of 3 days the top two tuna's held their place from Friday, but it was "Roll Groove" that sneaked into third place late on Sunday with a 50.8 lb. yellowfin. Only 9.6 ounces separated the top 3 fish! Interesting that no bigeye or longfin tuna made their way to the scales given the action on those just a few days prior. Last year's tournament tuna division was dominated by bigeye catches with the winner weighing in at 142.8 lbs caught by the "Sindaco".

The action was hot in the Billfish Division as well with many white marlin releases being reported. Several boats like the "Buckshot", "First Light" and "Fish On" reporting 5 releases in a single day. Other reports of 3 or 4 per day were not uncommon. When it was all over and done on Sunday, there was a tie for first place in this division. The "Buckshot" and "First Light" both released a total of 8 whites over the course of the tournament. It took a review of the release times to declare the winner with "Buckshot" coming out on top having released their 8th white about 80 minutes earlier than "First Light".

The Dolphin Division did not have the drama of the other two. The "Makenzie Rae" came to the scales on Friday and put the hammer down with a 36 lb. dolphin they caught in 150 fathoms in the Poor Man's Canyon. This mahi bested the 2nd place winner by over 10 lbs. Full details and pictures and winners from the Canyon Kickoff start on page 58.

Beyond the Tournament there was good and consistent offshore

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Rob Gothier on the private boat "Bar South" took a group of his local bankers to do some deep dropping for swordfish. This group definitely cashed in catching not only a nice swordfish, but also a yellowfin tuna and released 3 white marlin. Fishing with Capt. Raul Gonzales and mates Rusty Redish, Corey Lednum and Jax Moore were anglers Mark Cunningham, Steve Rieger, Jack Melocik and Randy Jones. Nice day on the water!

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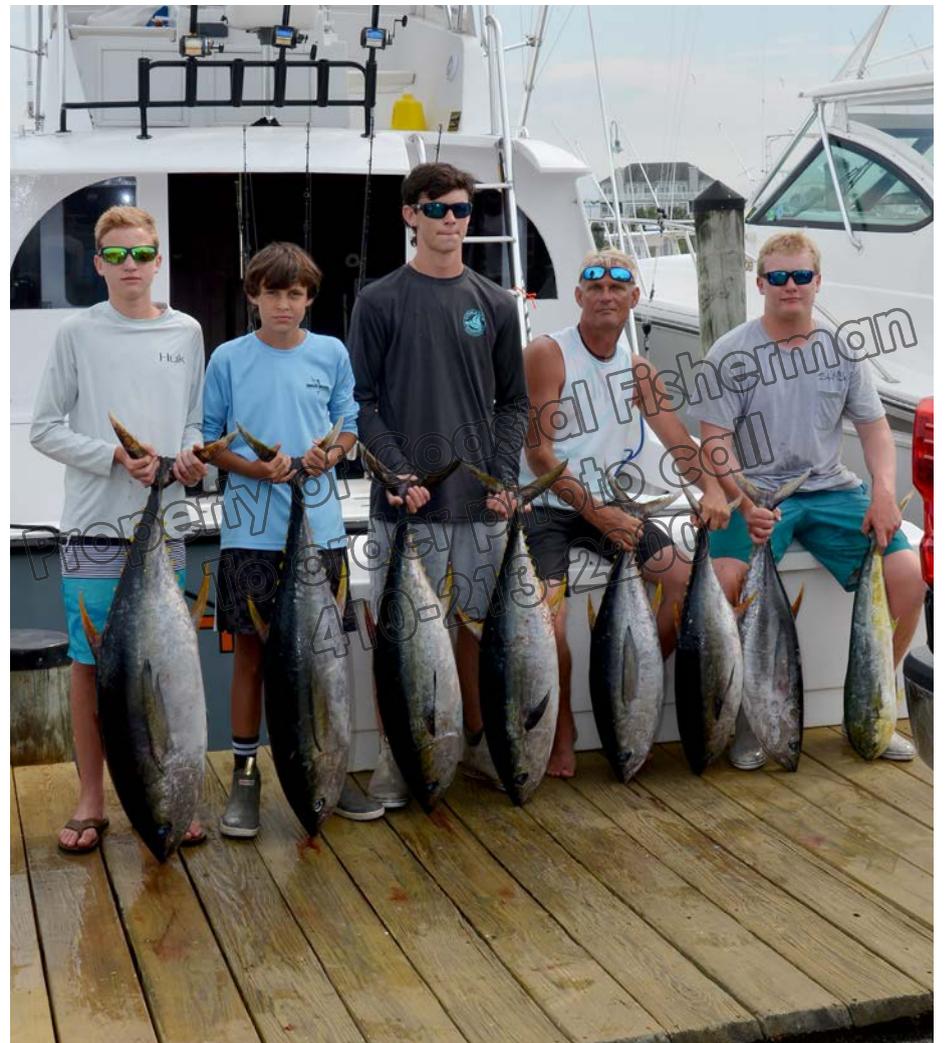
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Former NASCAR driver Mike Arnold and current NASCAR official Tracy Day made a pit stop at the 9th Street bulkhead in Ocean City to land these 2 keeper flounders using minnows. Thanks for stopping by our office for a photo!



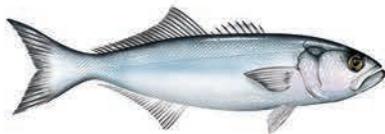
Capt. Doug Bramble on the charter boat "Shorebilly" kept the tuna action alive from the Washington Canyon on July 1st, coming back to the dock with 7 yellowfin tuna and a mahi. Extra credit for lining them up by size! The anglers from Easton, MD. were Ian Miles, Will & Miles Abell, Colin Campbell and Zach Bramble.

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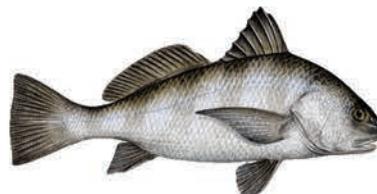
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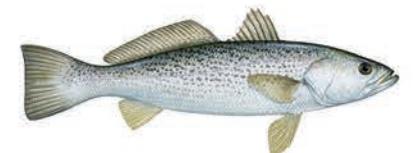
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Tim Marchetto from Bethlehem, PA found some alone time one evening last week at Homer Gudelsky Park in Ocean City (aka 'Stinky Beach') to catch these two fatties on live minnows and shrimp baits. They measured 19" and 17".



We have a new 'Heaviest Fish' for sheephead in Delaware this week! Mike Behney from Rick's Bait & Tackle reported that Alan Rosenberger from Laurel, DE. caught this 9.5lb sheephead on a sandflea while fishing at Site 10.



Tom Murry had to work to hold up this 23", 5.8 lb. doormat when he showed up at Rick's Bait and Tackle in Long Neck, DE. He found this one while fishing in the Old Grounds using Gulp.

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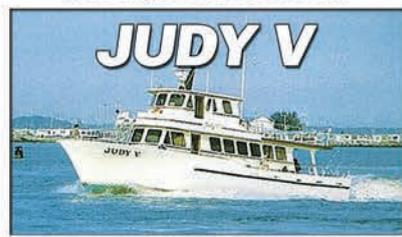
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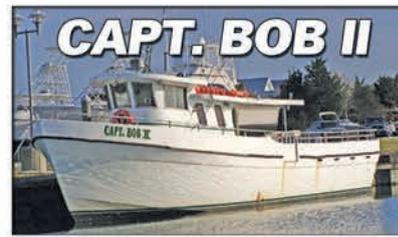
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# OCEAN CITY FISHING REPORT

by Capt. B.J. Pietryak



This week in Maryland saw a rise in water temperature as well as catches of more summer species. As the water approaches 70 degrees the spring fish begin to move out and the warm water fish move in.

## SEA BASS & TOG

Tog season is open again. Maryland tog season opened July 1st with a size limit of 16" and a creel limit of 2 per person. As the water warms you can seek these fish in deeper wrecks where the water is colder at the bottom. Deeper wrecks like those of the Jackspot or NJ/DE reef are your best chances for these fish. Crab and sand fleas are the most common baits. Just a reminder, if you get green crabs from the tackle shop do not discard them in the water if you have any left over as they are an invasive species not common to our waters.

Sea bass is really slowing due to warmer water. Jackspot and deeper wrecks are holding the most keepers. Near shore sites like the Bassgrounds have tons of small fish but keepers are hard to find.

## BLUEFISH, SHARKS & RAYS

As the water heats up more

larger sharks are being caught close to shore. Many bluefish and rays are still being caught at the Rt. 50 bridge. The Rt. 90 Bridge area is holding bluefish as well with several nice sea trout. Casting small spoons for these fish seems to be the ticket. Craig Cropper had a great week catching lots of trout and blues throughout the back bays of Ocean City.

## COBIA

Many anglers chumming for cobia at the Little Gull shoals are finding more larger sharks than anything else. Several reports are coming in of cobia being taken in the bay area. As the water warms to 70 degrees, many more cobia will move into these waters near the shore areas. Fenwick shoal is a great spot to target the "Man in the Brown Suit". Live eels and cut bait work well. Baits such as bucktails and artificial lures also work well when the fish is spotted. Cast your lure in front of the fish and retrieve it quickly. Cobia are a great fish but make a blistering first run and will quite often bite through the line on these runs. Using a small wire leader or a thicker mono/fluorocarbon leader will help prevent this.

## SHEEPSHEAD

This time of year also brings the return of sheepshead. These fish are mostly targeted just outside of the Ocean City Inlet, but can also be found in the surf. Peeler crabs, shrimp, clams, and fiddler crabs are amongst the best baits. Notorious bait stealers, these fish are not easy to catch. Bridges, docks, and jetties are the best place to target these fish.

## FLOUNDER

The back bays of Ocean City are really starting to come alive. The flounder bite is getting red hot! Many anglers are using squid tipped with minnows. Gulp and other artificial baits are also catching their share of flounder.

Key areas are behind the airport as well as the area by the Verrazano Bridge. The main channels near the Rt. 50 bridge are producing some of the best keepers. The area on the outside of the south side of the main inlet is also holding fish. Fish this area close to the rock wall.

## CLAMS & CRABS

The north end of the bays are still producing the best

catches of crabs. Carl from Bob's Marine said he is averaging about 12 keepers per pot on a 3 day soak.

Clamming around Assateague Island is still the best spot with the sand bar in front of Hoopers being a close second. Many of the clams are big and make a great clam chowder.

## SURF FISHING

Surf fishing is getting into our summer months and fish are getting scarce. With many tourists as well as locals heading onto the beach as well as playing in the water, fishing will become more difficult. Times to target the surf are after 6pm when most have gone home to dinner or even after dark as temperatures cool down. Small sharks and blues can still be found in the surf as well as an occasional cobia. The best baits for blues this time of year is finger mullet on a mullet rig cast just past the breakers. Often at night these fish will swim very close to shore causing many anglers to over cast their prey. Weakfish and sea trout can also be found in the surf this time of year. Small hooks baited with bloodworms or squid can be an effective tool in catching these fish.

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Chris Connolly was at York Crossing in Fenwick during a falling tide fishing for kingfish with Fishbites Bloodworms when he landed this nice spadefish. He had it weighed at Hook'em & Cook'em Outfitters in South Bethany and it was 18" and just under 6 lbs.



Sharon and Gary Sacra were fishing in the East Channel when they caught a couple of fatties. Hers was 17" and his just made it at 16 1/2". Both fell for white Gulp.

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Robert and Jeff Hartman finished June strong, landing this 80 lb. swordfish on mahi belly while deep dropping south in the Poor Man's Canyon. One of the earlier swordfish catches for the season. Photo credit to Robert's wife, Sandy.

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 Bluefish <span style="color:red">★</span>	July 4, 2020 Rich Daiker Rt. 50 Bridge 17.5 lbs.	May 23, 2020 Kathy Grab Fenwick Island Surf 12.25 lbs.	 Mako Shark	June 9, 2020 Joe Wilkenson Baltimore Canyon 330 lbs.	June 13, 2020 Todd Middendorf Baltimore Canyon 330 lbs.
 Black Drum	No Weights Reported	May 18, 2020 Benjamin Attanasi Broadkill Beach 82.4 lbs.	 Thresher Shark	No Weights Reported	June 13, 2020 Charlie Boyles Old Grounds 321 lbs.
 Cobia <span style="color:red">★</span>	July 1, 2020 Justin Cronshaw Little Gull Bank 32 lbs.	<span style="color:red">★</span> July 1, 2020 Nick Fulford DE Light Ship 32 lbs.	 Bigeye Tuna	June 21, 2020 Griffin Wingenroth Poor Man's Canyon 270 lbs.	June 17, 2020 Chris Middendorf Baltimore Canyon 212 lbs.
 Flounder	June 26, 2020 Karen Rhody Ocean Wreck 7.11 lbs.	June 16, 2020 Gary Michael Hall Site #11 7.9 lbs.	 Bluefin Tuna	No Weights Reported	No Weights Reported
 Sea Bass	May 27, 2020 Conrad Lesnewski Offshore Wreck 3.5 lbs.	<span style="color:red">★</span> June 29, 2020 Levi Wingert B Buoy 2.9 lbs.	 Longfin Tuna	June 26, 2020 Jared Romberger Poor Man's Canyon 61.5 lbs.	No Weights Reported
 Sheepshead	June 12, 2020 Keith Smith South Jetty 10.25 lbs.	<span style="color:red">★</span> June 30, 2020 Alan Rosenberger Site 10 9.5 lbs.	 Yellowfin Tuna <span style="color:red">★</span>	June 26, 2020 Corey Kennington Washington Canyon 50.4 lbs.	June 26, 2020 Brian Lecont Washington Canyon 40 lbs.
 Striped Bass	May 26, 2020 Cody Martin Rt. 50 Bridge 14.2 lbs.	June 14, 2020 Sue Krepshaw Indian River Jetty 13 lbs.	 Dolphin <span style="color:red">★</span>	July 3, 2020 Shane Breen Poorman's Canyon 36 lbs.	June 26, 2020 Kimmy Zapata Baltimore Canyon 19.1 lbs.
 Tautog	No Weights Reported	No Weights Reported	 Wahoo	June 19, 2020 Henry Glanding Poor Man's Canyon 72 lbs.	No Weights Reported
 Weakfish	No Weights Reported	No Weights Reported	 White Marlin	No Weights Reported	No Weights Reported

To report your catch, call the Coastal Fisherman at 410-213-2200 or email to [coastalfisherman@comcast.net](mailto:coastalfisherman@comcast.net)



John Timmons sent this nice picture of a flounder his 'unnamed' friend caught last Friday. They were fishing near Site 11 when the fish ate a custom jig with a Gulp, squid & minnow combination. Weighed in at 5.8 lbs. at Hook'em & Cook'em at the Indian River Inlet. In addition to this one, they ended the morning with 8 flounder between 16.5" - 25".



Capt. Mark Hess and mate Terry Hartlaub on the private boat "Slaughterhouse" put anglers Vincent & Pat Petrera and Jeff Waxman on the meat! Their strategy for working the Baltimore Canyon 60 fathom line was somewhat unique, it was to leave the dock late and come back early!



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by Steve Katz

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## THE NEVER-ENDING HI-TECH SEARCH FOR FISH

When the topic of finding the best fishing grounds comes up, some captains seem to have that 5th sense and can navigate their boat a productive spot by observing the conditions by eye along with chart data. On the opposite end of the spectrum, some captains won't leave the dock without all the high-tech gadgets, such as satellite images, altimetry data and multiple on-board fish finding sonars. For most captains, there is a happy medium of local knowledge along with the right amount of technology to help guide the captain the most fertile fishing grounds.

Once you arrive at the fishing grounds, how do you know that the fish are there? Most of us use a finely tuned echo sounder/fishfinder/sonar. What if there was something even better, a way to "see" if there are any fish around your boat in real time?

### TRADITIONAL SOUNDER

While many captains are familiar with sounder/fishfinder/sonar there are major technical differences on how they operate. The

most basic fishfinder has a transducer that sends out sound waves in an inverted cone shape and then listens for its return to determine distance of an object, bottom or fish. The processor and display converts this sound image to a useful picture. This picture is a historical view of what was below the bottom of the boat as you move along.

There have been a lot of advances in fishfinders, such as CHIRP, wide angle, forward looking transducers and faster and more detailed data processing. All of these improvements have made even the most inexpensive and high end fishfinders able to do a great job displaying the bottom structure and fish under the boat.

When it comes to commercial and government applications there are a few other types of sounder systems that have recently become more common in sportfishing such as multibeam sonar and scanning sonar. These systems are now in use within the sportfishing community due to their increased ability to accurately detail the environment below the boat and some even provide real-time data.

### MULTIBEAM SONAR

A multibeam sonar has array has multiple sonar emitters in one fixed transducer. These multiple beams are digital "moved" to scan a wide angle, often 120-degree coverage using hardware and software, a traditional echosounder has a beam as narrow as 4 degrees. Examples of popular multibeam sonar used in sportfishing include Garmin Panoptix, Simrad StructureScan® 3D and Furuno DFF-3D. These systems allow you to see a historical view of what your boat passed over. Their wide view allows you to "see" the water column to the sides of boat, helping you learn if you are in an area where there are fish or structure.

### SCANNING SONAR

A scanning sonar works like your radar underwater; a transducer housing is lowered into the water from a storage tube within the hull of the boat. This internal transducer is rotated and tilted within the housing. The transducer can rotate up to 360 degrees, allowing an image to be created of the water area all around the boat. The tilt angle is also adjustable for varying water depths and task at hand. The Furuno "Searchlight" (CH-250) is a well know scanning sonar used in sportfish and commercial fishing boats along with the Koden units that are quickly gaining

[www.coastalfisherman.net](http://www.coastalfisherman.net) in popularity. While this technology may seem new, the original Furuno Searchlight has been in use for over 10 years and newer models are currently available.

### THE OMNI

Technology has enabled the development of newer scanning sonar that does not need to rotate mechanically to capture the 360-degree area under the boat. The newest scanning, the Furuno Omni (CSH-8LMARK -2), sonar uses a sound dome (transducer) that deploys downward from the hull, like the Searchlight but consists of multiple stacked elements to transmit the sonar signal in all directions, virtually simultaneously. The combination of the processing power of the hardware and the multiple sonar elements allows the system to provide a real-time image of the water below the boat. Yes, that means you can see fishing moving in and out of the sonar beam coverage area out to about 1000 feet from your boat!

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Last week David Ward and Colin Wilson caught a 44 pound grouper, white hake and multiple tilefish south of the Washington Canyon with Capt. Tony Bonacci and Mate Matt Franz on the boat "Gone Phishin".



Courtney Melocik Kenny started her Fourth of July with a bang, landing our newest 'Heaviest Bluefish' for Maryland last Friday from the Ocean City Inlet. She snared both of these blues with a Rattletrap. Largest was 8.8 lbs. and 32" long. Fishing with her were Joe Kenney and Chris Melocik on the private boat "Go Fish". Photo taken at our office.

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Nice to see spanish mackerel, king mackerel and some green bonito showing up at the docks last week. This crew went trolling spoons with Capts. Cade Seely and Adam Wilson of "Chasing Tides" charters and ended the day with 11 spanish mackerels, 1 king mackerel and 3 green bonitos.



Charter boat "Reel Chaos" hit the tuna hard in the Poor Man's Canyon the other week. They went trolling in 200 fathoms and a cool 67° water temp to land 4 bigeye and 7 yellowfin tunas. All fell for spreader bars and ballyhoo. Captain Anthony Matarese Jr. and mates Mike & Jake Graves took good care of anglers Paul Davolos, Anthony Matarese Sr. and Stephen Degan.

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Bob Telford ventured out to a natural inshore reef with Capt. Chris Mizurak on the headboat "Angler" out of the Talbot Street Pier last week. He was handsomely rewarded with his limit of flounder, the largest up to 4 1/2 lbs.



Charter boat "White Lighting" worked hard last Wednesday to find and catch 7 yellowfin tuna, all were single hookups. John Simpson also spent 40 minutes on the rod to catch and release a white marlin. Capt Bill Raab and mate Paul Daisey took fellow anglers Chad Heaps, Gordon Smith and Ron Sutton south in the Poor Man's Canyon for this action. Photo at Sunset Marina.

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Where do you start with this picture - WOW! Capt. Jason Mumford on the charter boat "Lucky Break" put this crew to work on July 2nd. Anglers Keith, Kevin, Kyle, Cole & Roger Ketterman along with Dan Lewis show off their catch with the help of mate Ethan Nock. The fatties were all caught on the incoming tide using minnows and Gulp in the Thorofare, the 2 largest measured 22". The 2 black drum on the left were taken from the inlet.

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# FISHING CHARTERS



The charter boat "Restless Lady" has had success with putting together 'make up' charters of anglers who can't form their own group of 6, but can book a slot or 2 on these types of charters. This example came back to the dock last Friday with 10 yellowfin tunas and a nice mako shark. Capt. Todd Kurtz and mates Kevin Kurtz & Brian Hazard took good care of anglers Mel Fitchette, Jeff LaJoy, Chris Hammond, Bret Cropper, Aaron Repsher and Steve Kreft. Having a tuna in the sharks mouth is a nice touch.



While the sea bass fishing has slowed from the crazy days of June, good catches are still being made daily on the natural inshore reefs. Steve Doctor took a trip with Capt. Chris Mizurak on the headboat "Angler" to get this 3 1/2 lb. beauty using squid.

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Greg Alt of Harrisonburg, PA. took all the day's pool money Sunday on the head boat "Morning Star" with Capt. Monty Hawkins with this knot headed sea bass!



Nice to see more cobia being brought to the dock! Capt. Wayne Anderson and angler Justin Cronshaw on the charter boat "Just A Toy" found this 45", 32 lb. example while fishing the Little Gull Bank. They just happened to spot him swimming by the boat while trolling for mackerel. This is the first cobia report we have from a charter boat.

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It was a couples trip on the charter boat "Boss Hogg" when Lori & Cork Blake, Victoria & Jeff Gibbons and Bonnie & Rick Klein headed out to the Washington Canyon with Capt. Brian Porter and mates Rick Tshudy & Brad Wilson. They landed these nice 5 yellowfin tunas with Bonnie claiming the title for biggest fish!

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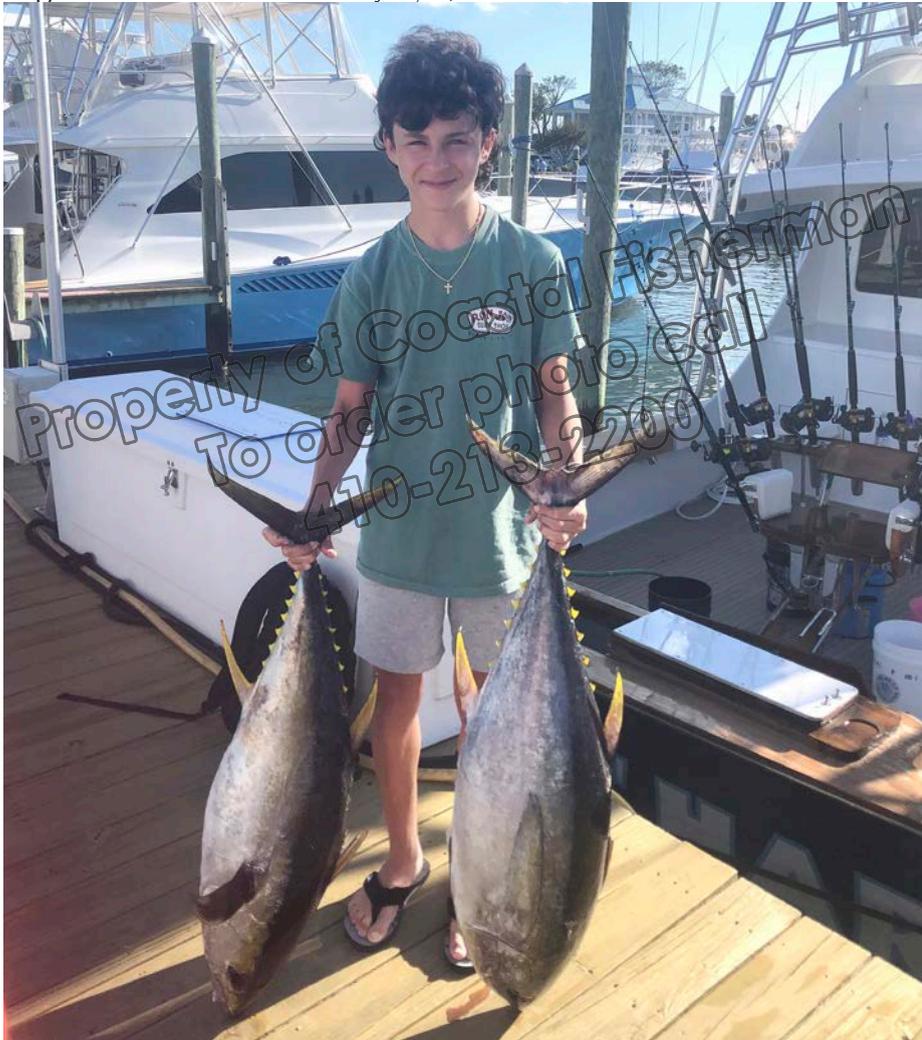
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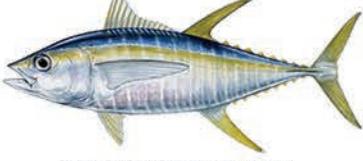
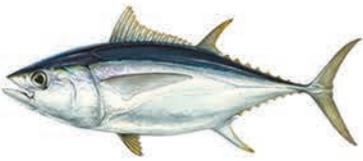
There is little that equals the thrill of your first tuna catch and Adam Glushakow got that feeling when he landed these two nice yellowfin tunas in the Poor Man's Canyon. He was fishing on the charter boat "Pumpin' Hard" with Capt. Mike Burt, mate Dave Burt and anglers Scott Castiglione and Gavin, Mark, Andrew, Adam & Colin Glushakow.



Private boat "Blue Eyes" had a lot to cheer about on July 3rd when they caught this 200+ lb. swordfish and several yellowfin tunas. Capt Jason Blake with mates Scott Peters and Ross Quilter took anglers Derrick Richardson, Kate Blake, Lilli Querker, Ben Simon, Lani Beaudette and Addie Spain to the Washington Canyon to catch this beauty on tuna belly.

# Federal Size & Creel Limits

## 3-200 Miles

 <p><b>BLUE MARLIN</b> 99" Lower Jaw Fork Length No Retention Limit</p>	 <p><b>DOLPHIN</b> No minimum Length 10 per person/day</p>	 <p><b>YELLOWFIN TUNA</b> 27" Curved Fork Length 3 per person/day</p>	<p><b>SHARKS AUTHORIZED SPECIES</b></p> <p>No Minimum Fork Length Atlantic Sharpnose, Bonnethead</p> <p>54" Minimum Fork Length Atlantic Blacktip, Bull, Lemon, Nurse, Spinner, Tiger, Blue, Common Thresher, Oceanic Whitetip, Porbeagle, Finetooth, Atlantic Blacknose</p> <p>71" Minimum Fork Length Male Shortfin Mako</p> <p>78" Minimum Fork Length Great Hammerhead, Scalloped Hammerhead, Smooth Hammerhead</p> <p>Only 1 shark from the lists above may be retained per vessel per trip. In addition, 1 Atlantic Sharpnose and 1 Bonnethead may be retained per person per trip. If a hammerhead shark is retained, no tunas, billfish or swordfish may be retained.</p> <p>83" Minimum Fork Length Female Shortfin Mako</p> <p><b>Prohibited Sharks</b> Atlantic Angel, Basking, Bigeye Sand Tiger, Bigeye Sixgill, Bigeye Thresher, Bignose, Caribbean Reef, Caribbean Sharpnose, Dusky, Galapagos, Longfin Mako, Narrowtooth, Night, Sandbar, Sand Tiger, Sevengill, Sixgill, Smalltail, Whale, White</p>
 <p><b>WHITE MARLIN</b> 66" Lower Jaw Fork Length No Retention Limit</p>	 <p><b>WAHOO</b> No minimum Length 2 per person/day</p>	 <p><b>BLUEFIN TUNA</b> (Recreational) 2 per vessel/day/trip 27" to &lt;47" CFL 1 per vessel/day/trip 47" to &lt;73" CFL</p>	<p>(Charter Boat) 3 per vessel/day/trip 27" to &lt;47" CFL 1 per vessel/day/trip 47" to &lt;73" CFL</p> <p>(Headboat) 6 per vessel/day/trip 27" to &lt;47" CFL 2 per vessel/day/trip 47" to &lt;73" CFL</p>
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# DELAWARE FISHING REPORT

by Capt. B.J Pietryak



This week in Delaware fishing the word is hot! All water is approaching the 70 degree mark, making fishing for some species difficult while also bringing in the summer species.

## TAUTOG

Great news! Tog is back open in Delaware as of July 1st. Tog has to be 16" with a limit of 4 per person. Green crabs and sand fleas are the best baits. Remember Tog hang right in the wrecks so pay attention to the bites as they are usually very light. Tog once hooked will head straight into the wreck and hang you up. The old saying is Tog separates the boys from the men.

## SEA BASS

Sea bass continue to be slow due to warmer water. Seek deeper wrecks for keepers. Site 11 still seems to be the best area for keepers. The Coral areas still have sea bass around but keepers are hard to find. Old inlet has green crabs and sand fleas.

## BLUEFISH & SHARKS

Small bluefish are still in back bays as well as the surf. Near shore shark fishing is heating up as the water warms with

many larger sharks being taken within 10 miles of the beach.

## FLOUNDER

Flounder fishing gets better every day. Most inshore coral is holding nice flounder. Several smaller flounder must be picked though, but limits are being caught. Pink, red, green and white large Gulp baits are among the best baits. Squid and spot are also working well. B and A buoy are the hot spots, although some of the wrecks are also producing some nice fish. Remember to hold on to your rod instead of putting it in the rod holder as many bites are soft and often missed by rods in the rod holder. Matt from Fenwick Tackle says that the back bays are producing some nice flounder with many using spot to catch the keepers.

## CROAKER

Croakers have begun to show up in the surf which means the area in front of Indian River Inlet as well as the area by Lewes lighthouse should begin holding these fish very soon. Small fish bites, bloodworms, and squid are the best baits

## CRABS & CLAMS

Crabbing remains hot with the best areas being in the back bays from Holts Landing to the power plant. Bunker is still the best bait. Many are also switching to trot lines and single traps with bunker or salted eel. I personally am averaging about 10-12 keepers per pot on a 3 day soak. Clamming is also good but many of the smaller clams have been picked out leaving the larger clams. These large clams can be used for chowder or stuffed clams. Holts Landing still seems to be the hot spot.

## SURF FISHING

Small blues and rays are still around. This week both sea trout and weakfish have really started hitting in the surf. As the water warms the surf fishing begins to slow down. Use small bloodworms for kingfish. Spanish mackerel have been taken in the surf using spoons. Old Inlet reports Ryan O'Neil (Wilmington) Caught a 28 lb Cobia in the surf last Sunday. Matt (Fenwick Tackle) reported that a nice run of bluefish came in this week from the surf which is

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## OTHER REPORTS

Many reports coming from Fenwick shoals stating the blues and Bonito being caught trolling small plugs and spoons. Cobia are beginning to show up in our waters. These fish can get very big and put up a great fight. Live spot and live eels tend to be the best baits. Bright color bucktails with long worm trailers or feather trailers also work well. The meat of the cobia is great table fare with many people who try it for the first time saying it's one of the best fish they have ever eaten. Cobia can be baked, fried, or even poached. Boiling in a bath of hot water and brown sugar makes the meat taste very much like lobster. About 1/2 of a small box of brown sugar to a spaghetti pot of water is the mixture used. Don't get scared of the sugar as it does not sweeten the meat of the fish as you would expect.

So as the water continues to heat up so does the fishing. Get out and catch a few today.

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Sam Harden from Sikesville, MD had a good start to the holiday weekend last Friday when he caught this 49 lb. yellowfin tuna on a blue and white Ilander while trolling in the Baltimore Canyon. Weighed at Rick's Bait and Tackle in Long Neck, DE.



The man in the brown suit is back in town. Nick Fulford from Laurel, DE caught this 32 lb., 45" cobia on a whole squid after it followed a hooked mahi to the boat. Measured and weighed at Rick's Bait & Tackle in Long Neck, DE.

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Species	2020	2019	Species	2020	2019
 <b>Bluefish</b>	May 29, 2020 Kathy Grab Fenwick Island State Park	April 17, 2019 Big Bird Cropper South Jetty	 <b>Mako Shark</b>	April 16, 2020 Ron Griggs "Finatic" Wilmington Canyon	May 18, 2019 Brandon Malamphy "Finatic" Wilmington Canyon
 <b>Black Drum</b>	April 19, 2020 Bill Grubb Fenwick Island State Park	April 9, 2019 Allen Sklar Assateague Surf	 <b>Thresher Shark</b>	June 13, 2020 Charlie Boyles "Hook It Up" Old Grounds	May 18, 2019 All Anglers "Over-Board" Jackspot
 <b>Cobia</b>	June 21, 2020 Aaron Reeves "On the Run" South Jetty	June 2, 2019 Tony Lane Fenwick Surf	 <b>Bigeye Tuna</b>	May 27, 2020 Ryan Turner "Full Service" Norfolk Canyon	May 27, 2019 Pat Petrera "Priceless" Poor Man's Canyon
 <b>Flounder</b>	May 5, 2020 Mackenzie Cathell Thorofare	April 4, 2019 Kristin Lennox Sinepuxent Bay	 <b>Bluefin Tuna</b>	June 9, 2020 Shannon Gore Baltimore Canyon	May 7, 2019 Scott Wells "Restless Lady II" Wilmington Canyon
 <b>Sea Bass</b>	May 15, 2020 Brent Bortner "Green Machine" Offshore Wreck	May 15, 2019 Tom Lane "Morningstar" Artificial Reef	 <b>Longfin Tuna</b>	June 9, 2020 Evan Winterbottom "PYY Fishing" Poor Man's Canyon	June 1, 2019 Ed Luhrman Baltimore Canyon
 <b>Sheepshead</b>	June 12, 2020 Keith Smith "On the Run" South Jetty	May 26, 2019 Mark Shwetz "On the Run" South Jetty	 <b>Yellowfin Tuna</b>	April 29, 2020 Dylan Wiley Washington Canyon	May 25, 2019 Ryan Young "Brenda Lou" Poor Man's Canyon
 <b>Striped Bass</b>	May 7, 2020 Patricia Cropper Rt. 50 Bridge	April 12, 2019 Kern Ducote Rt. 90 Bridge	 <b>Dolphin</b>	May 23, 2020 Jeremy Phares "Reel Fin Addiction" Norfolk Canyon	May 19, 2019 Bill Johnson "Bubblehead" Wilmington Canyon
 <b>Tautog</b>	January 2, 2020 Patrick Enoch "Morningstar" Artificial Reef	January 4, 2019 Dan Iacangelo "Morningstar" Ocean Wreck	 <b>Wahoo</b>	June 18, 2020 Jack Hannum "Blood Money" Poor Man's Canyon	June 23, 2019 Vince Cusimano "My Time" Washington Canyon
 <b>Weakfish</b>	 June 17, 2020 Muhamad Arshad Oceanic Fishing Pier	May 19, 2019 Jackson Chin Indian River Inlet	 <b>White Marlin</b>	May 23, 2020 Carl Sauer "Reel Escape" Washington Canyon	June 1, 2019 "Uncle Keith" Poor Man's Canyon

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Hugh, J.L., & Hugh Thomas Cropper with Bill Sulosky had a nice day on their boat "Myra HT" taking a cruise to the Bassgrounds. They were targeting spanish mackerel using spoons. From the looks of the catch they made it was the right decision!



Capt. Mike Adams on the private boat "She Said No" knows how to end the month. He and Bill Sands (no relation to Billy Sands), Darryl Greg and Mike Stewart were fishing the Poor Man's Canyon on June 30th when 3 bigeyes hit at one. The boys landed these two weighing in at 157 lbs. and 128 lbs at Atlantic Tackle.



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**Weigh-Ins: September 4, 5, 6**  
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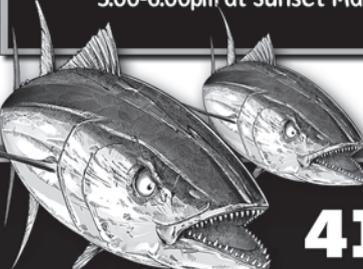
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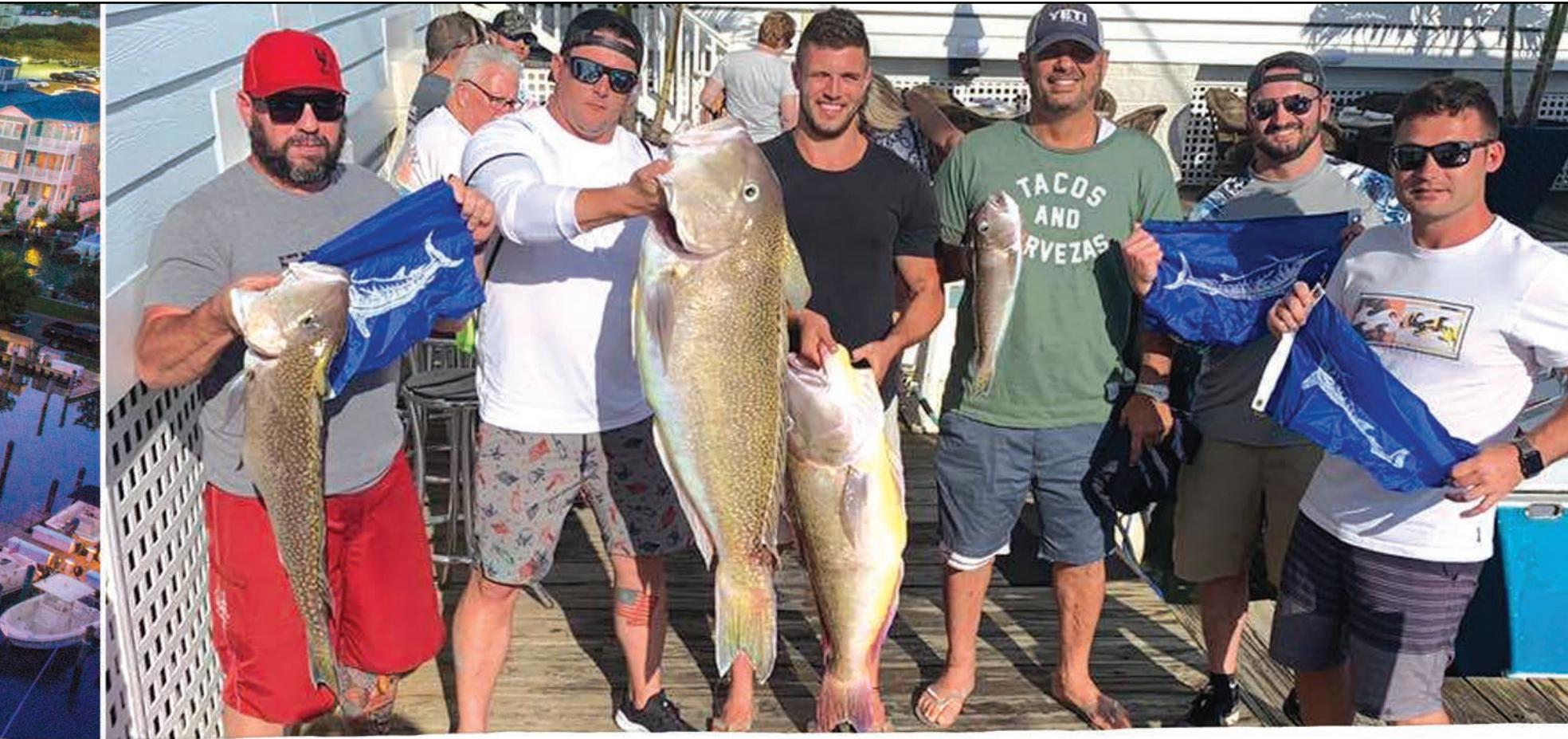
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# CHUM LINES

by Capt. Mark Sampson



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

to take our flies.

Both offshore and inshore shoals can be extremely productive places to catch fish. But the dynamics of what goes on over and around any particular shoal can change dramatically from day to day and sometimes hour to hour. Anglers who get up on a shoal and without any specific plan or forethought fish just any-old place might get lucky and pull off a catch, but they might also wind up hooking nothing while just 50-yards away there's an underwater feeding frenzy going on without them ever knowing it. And simply because someone caught a bunch of fish in one location on or around a shoal one day doesn't mean that they'll be able to experience the same action a couple weeks or even a couple days later. Tide, current, water depths, changes in water temperatures, even the presence or absence of birds or

other predators can effect the actions of baitfish and big fish on or near a shoal and anglers who understanding even a little of what might be going on beneath the waves will have a better chance to be there when the action is happening.

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Even if during a full high tide a shoal might still be too shallow for a big fish to feel comfortable (they're always afraid of becoming a meal for something as well) many will have little troughs or depressions that might be a foot or maybe just a



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Back-bay shoals or "sandbars" as they are so often called are typically avoided by most fishermen in fear of having their boat damaged or at best "stuck" in the shallow water. Besides, who would ever think that a patch of bottom that's visible at low tide would hold anything but crabs, shrimp, and little minnows? But it's the very presence of those little critters that gives the bigger fish a reason want to be there as well. Probably because there is less chance that they will be ambushed from below, natural bait uses the shallow water as a refuge from larger predators. Big fish know this and when the tide is low will often patrol the edges of the shoals watching for bait that strays too far from their refuge. As the tide begins to rise big fish will often follow it up onto the shoals to feed.

few inches deeper than the rest of the shoal and allow them access and a place to set up an ambush spot.

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

As the tide begins to fall big fish will slip off the top of shoal and often take a position along the edge where they can face into the flow and watch for bait that's being swept along by the receding water. Under

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 these conditions anglers will usually find that they'll get the best action by positioning themselves up on the shoal and working their baits or lures into the current from deep to shallow water.

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

Offshore shoals provide some of the same dynamics found in the shallow bays, but there are some notable differences particularly when it comes to water depths. In the ocean we don't have to worry about running aground and no matter how low the tide gets the shoal is not going to stick out of the water. The nearshore shoals might rise from 60 to 25 feet, the Jackspot goes from 110 to 55 feet, and the Hotdog 140 to maybe 85 feet on the top, so in most cases big fish can be found on offshore shoals even during low tides. A very notable aspect of many offshore shoals are the rips or

upswellings that occur when the current rushes across the sudden changes in depth. These conditions can consolidate and push plankton and other small food up to the schools hungry baitfish that are so often found over or around the offshore shoals. While inshore the baitfish might consider the shallows to be a sanctuary, offshore they're more of a cafeteria. Either way, from an angling standpoint all we have to know is "where there's bait there's going to be predators" and that's just one of the reasons why offshore shoals can at times be very productive places to fish.

That's also why we chose to do our fly-fishing foray on the near an offshore shoal. How'd it work out? Well, our client didn't get any bonito or dolphin but he did get multiple shots at some big dusky, sandbar, and spinner sharks and although most were apparently hoping to find real "meat" rather than fur and feathers at our end of the chumline he did manage to fool and land two nice duskies and a spinner shark with his flies.

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James Andrews of Annapolis, MD with a fly caught spinner shark.

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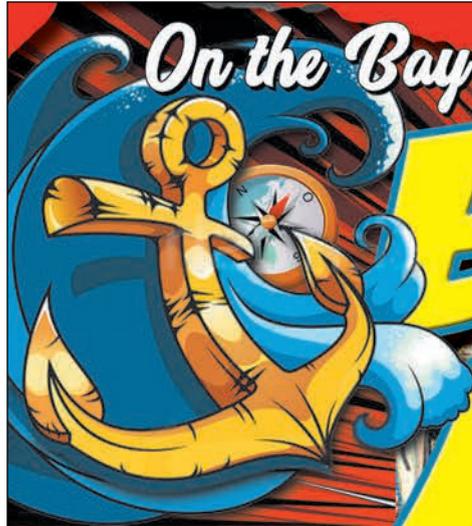
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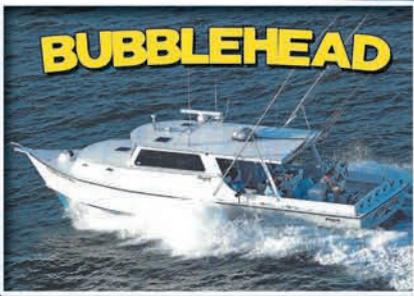
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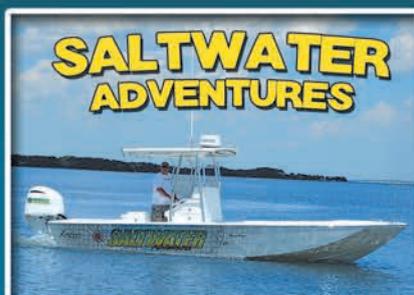
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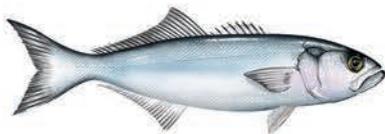
Rich 'Delicious' Daiker was at it again. He and Ed Cook fished in a small Fourth of July Tournament in his community on 24th St. in Ocean City. Richard took first and second place with two flounders measuring 19¾" and 18¼". Both were caught at the Rt. 50 bridge on live mullet. Ed took third place with a 17" fattie.

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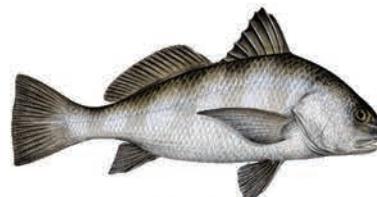
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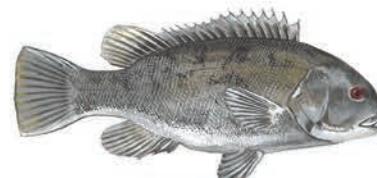
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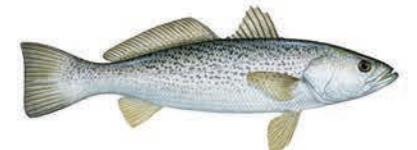
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A kid and a big flounder is a great picture. Thanks to Capt. Nick Clemente of the charter boat "Get Sum" for sending this one of Aaron Ginsburg of Sciota, PA. This doormat fell for white Gulp Swimming Mullet in the East Channel and measured 22.5" and 5.8 lbs.



Why catch one when you can catch two? Ron Tenly had a great day keeping this young lady, Michelle Laspino, busy all day on sea bass, flounders and sea robins. She was fishing on the private boat "Scales N Whitetails" 23 miles off of Ocean City.

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# THE GALLEY

by Christine Budd

## GINGER GLAZED MAHI

marinate.

### Ingredients:

- 3 tablespoons honey
- 3 tablespoons soy sauce
- 3 tablespoons balsamic vinegar
- 1 teaspoon grated fresh ginger root
- 1 clove garlic, crushed or to taste
- 2 teaspoons olive oil
- 4 (6 ounce) mahi mahi fillets
- Salt and pepper to taste
- 1 tablespoon vegetable oil

Heat vegetable oil in a large skillet over medium-high heat. Remove fish from the dish, and reserve marinade. Fry fish for 4 to 6 minutes on each side, turning only once, until fish flakes easily with a fork. Remove fillets to a serving platter and keep warm.

Pour reserved marinade into the skillet, and heat over medium heat until the mixture reduces to a glaze consistently. Spoon glaze over fish, and serve immediately.

### Directions:

In a shallow glass dish, stir together the honey, soy sauce, balsamic vinegar, ginger, garlic and olive oil. Season fish fillets with salt and pepper, and place them into the dish. If the fillets have skin on them, place them skin side down. Cover, and refrigerate for 20 minutes to

## CREOLE CAST IRON GROUPE

### Ingredients:

- 1 lb grouper
- 3 Tablespoons olive oil
- 4 cloves pressed garlic or minced
- 1 tablespoon Emeril's Creole Seasoning (see recipe below) or your favorite creole seasoning

1-2 TB finely grated Parmesan cheese

### Emeril's Creole Seasoning:

- 2 1/2 TB paprika
- 2 TB salt
- 2 TB garlic powder
- 1 TB black pepper
- 1 TB onion powder
- 1 TB cayenne
- 1 TB dried oregano
- 1 TB dried thyme

### Directions:

Preheat oven to 425 degrees. Place cast iron skillet in oven while preheating. (If you don't have a cast iron skillet, just use a roasting pan, but don't preheat the pan)

In a small bowl mix together oil, garlic, 2 -3 tablespoons of the seasoning, and Parmesan cheese. Brush the fish generously with mixture and place in hot skillet (be careful and don't forget to use an oven mitt!!). Place skillet and fish back into oven. Cook for about 12-15 minutes, depending on thickness of fish, until fish is translucent and flaky.

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### Ingredients:

#### For the Lemon Garlic Mixture:

- 2 Tablespoons salted butter, softened to room temp
- 1 Tablespoon freshly chopped chives or parsley
- 2 Tablespoons garlic cloves, minced
- 1/8 tsp kosher salt
- 1/4 tsp freshly ground black pepper
- 1 Tablespoon juice from fresh lemon
- 1 Tablespoon grated lemon peel

#### For the Fish:

- 2 TB olive oil
- 4 (1-inch thick each) mahi-mahi fillets, 4 oz. each
- Kosher salt and freshly ground black pepper

### Directions:

Preheat oven to 400F with rack on middle position. In a small pan, combine all lemon garlic mixture ingredients and stir to fully

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Use paper towels to pat dry all excess moisture from the fish fillets. This step is important, so be sure to pat off as much moisture as you can.

Evenly sprinkle both sides of fillets with pinches of kosher salt and freshly ground black pepper. Set aside. In a large, oven-proof pan, heat the olive oil over high heat. Once oil is sizzling hot, add the fish fillets to pan and let cook until browned on one side, about 3 minutes (do not move fish around much.) Carefully flip fish fillets over to the other side, turn stove burner off, and immediately transfer pan into already-hot oven. Let fish roast at 400F about 5 minutes or just until the top is golden and center is just cooked through. Take care not to overcook.

A minute before fish is done cooking in oven, cook small pan of prepared lemon-garlic mixture over medium high heat, constantly stirring, just until melted and bubbly. Immediately turn heat off and pour mixture over the cooked fish. Be sure to pour on any juices from the fish pan as well.

## PAN ROASTED COBIA WITH DOUBLE BASIL PESTO

### Ingredients:

- 2 tablespoons olive oil
- 4 cobia steaks, cleaned of all dark meat
- Salt and pepper
- 1 lemon, zested
- 2 cups sweet basil
- 1 cup Thai basil
- 1/4 cup chives
- 1/4 cup parsley
- 1/4 cup pistachios (toasted)
- 1 lemon, zest and juice
- 2 garlic cloves
- 1 pinch red pepper flakes
- 1/2 cup olive oil
- 1/2 cup fresh parmesan cheese, grated (optional)

### Directions:

Preheat the oven to 400\*. Preheat a large skillet over med-high heat. Add 2 T oil and heat until oil begins to shimmer. Sprinkle both sides of fish liberally with salt and pepper. Place fish in hot pan and DO NOT touch it for a couple of minutes. Once it has



Looks like a mixed grill evening for the crew of the "Fightin Lady". Anglers Brad Taylor, Mike Lloyd, Steve Todd and Buddy Hornsby had a great day in the Baltimore Canyon last week. They started by catching 3 yellowfin tunas, then ended the day by deep dropping for tilefish, the largest at 30 lbs. They also pulled up a few rose fish from the deep using squid.

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cooked for 2-3 min, gently nudge one of the steaks and if it releases from the pan, flip the steaks over. If it doesn't move, let them cook a bit longer, checking to see if they release every min or so. They should have a nice crust on the cooked side now.

Once you have flipped the fish, place the pan in the preheated oven and roast for 10-15 minutes depending on the thickness of your steaks.

Meanwhile, combine all the herbs, nuts, lemon juice and zest, garlic, red pepper and a pinch of salt and pepper in a blender or food processor. Pulse to chop up the herbs, then begin to drizzle in the oil until a nice thick sauce consistency is reached. Pour into a dish and stir in the parm if using. Taste for seasoning and add more salt, pepper, or lemon as needed.

Remove fish to a plate, sprinkle with lemon zest and squeeze a bit of lemon juice over each. Top with pesto.

\*I serve with green beans, baby carrots, and squash that I steam in the microwave for a few minutes. Then I season them with salt, pepper, and a clove of minced garlic and toss them in with

the fish about the last 5 min of roasting. Just don't cover the fish up, or you'll lose the crust on top. push the fish to the side of the pan and put the veggies on the other side. You can top the veggies with some of the leftover pesto. I put both the veggies and the fish on top of "Cauliflower Rice." (Basically just mince some onion and garlic and saute with a bit of olive oil, then add in cauliflower that has been pulsed in the food processor til resembles rice, cook 5 minutes, then season with salt and pepper.)

### GRILLED KING FISH FILLETS

#### Ingredients:

- 6 kingfish fillets
- 1 cup - buttermilk, or plain milk
- 2 teaspoons - Essence seasoning, or similar Cajun fish seasoning
- Salt and pepper

#### Directions:

Place kingfish fillets in plastic bag with buttermilk (or plain milk), Essence or Cajun seasoning, and some salt and pepper. Allow to marinate in fridge for 30-60 minutes (milk will help remove

some of the "fishy" flavor from the fillets).

Heat grill to medium heat and spray with non-stick cooking spray; then place fillets on grill and cook 5-7 minutes per side (depending on thickness of fillets) until lightly browned and cooked through.

Tastes delicious served as is or add some zest by serving with salsa or butter sauce.

### SEA BASS WITH LEMON CAPER SAUCE

#### Ingredients:

- 1/3 cup all-purpose flour
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 1/4 teaspoon pepper
- 1 1/4 lb. sea bass fillets, cut into 4 pieces
- 2 tablespoons olive oil
- 1/3 cup dry white wine
- 1/2 cup reduced-sodium chicken broth
- 2 tablespoons lemon juice
- 1 tablespoon capers, rinsed, drained
- 1 tablespoon chopped fresh Italian parsley

#### Directions:

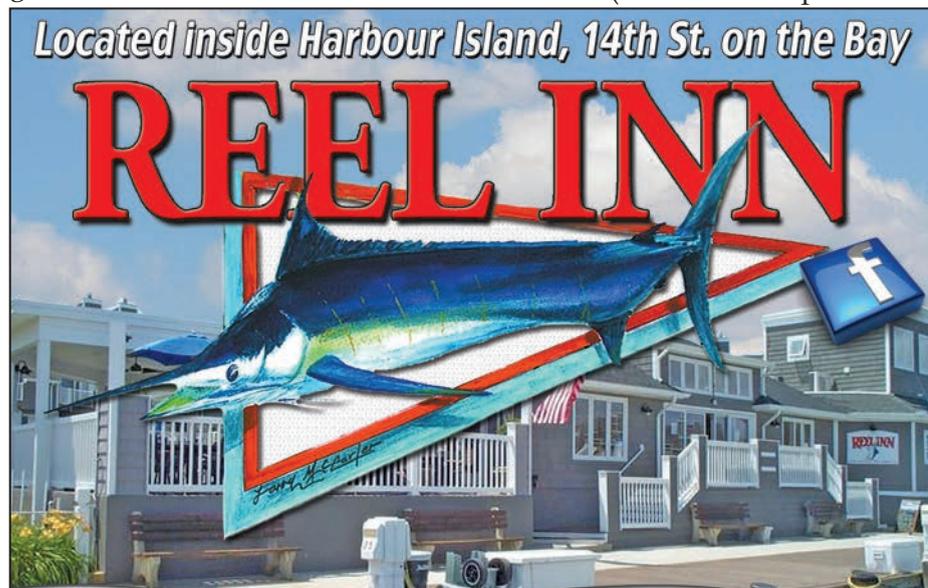
In shallow dish, stir flour, salt and pepper. Coat fish pieces in flour mixture (reserve remaining flour mixture). In 12-inch nonstick skillet, heat oil over medium-high heat. Place coated fish in oil. Cook 8 to 10 minutes, turning halfway through cooking, until fish flakes easily with fork; remove from heat. Lift fish from skillet to serving platter with slotted spatula (do not discard drippings); keep warm.

Heat skillet (with drippings) over medium heat. Stir in 1 tablespoon reserved flour mixture; cook and stir 30 seconds. Stir in wine: cook about 30 seconds or until thickened and slightly reduced. Stir in chicken broth and lemon juice; cook and stir 1 to 2 minutes until sauce is smooth and slightly thickened. Stir in capers.

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Coastal Fisherman contributor Capt. B.J. Pietryak took some time off to practice the trade aboard Titan Yachts last week. He was just north of the Poor Man's Canyon deep dropping and got his limit of golden tilefish including this 20+ lb. example. Several rose fish and blueline tilefish also found their way to the boat. Caught in 700 ft water on clams.



Capt. Ken Thompson on the charter boat "Oppor-Tuna-Ty Too" took the family out for a nice day of tuna fishing. It was a ladies choice day and the girls were the ones who brought home the meat. Allyson Jablonski and Casey Batsler Thompson fought their first tunas to land these nice yellowfin. Ken and twin sons Adam and Andy got to be the mates. Good prep for the Poor Girls Open?

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# FISH STORIES

by Capt. Franky Pettolina



Those of you that have been reading my Fish Stories over the years probably know a few things about my personal life. Things like my love of heavy metal music for example. Or maybe that I am prone to pushing the limits of getting my column in before the noon on Thursday deadline (for the record it is a little past 1030 on Wednesday night, so I am doing well this week). And I dare say that a good portion of you know that I am a cat person. I can accept that my pet preference is borderline heresy on the Eastern Shore of the great state of Maryland, where Labradors of every shade are the norm and all of the docks are dog friendly, but what can I say. Feline, Fish and Franky all start with F. That must be it.

Over the years I have mentioned my friends Annie and Jose several different times in this column. Miss Annie crossed the

rainbow bridge in the spring of 2019, and sadly, Senor Jose went to join his sister at the beginning of the Covid quarantine. I was not cat-less when my buddy Jose took his leave from this world though. Last August my wife and I adopted Natty the Adventure Kitten from the Worcester County Humane Society. Little Natty turned out to be good luck when it comes to blue marlins and her months being Jose's understudy prepared her to be the cat in charge of the house (and presumably Annie left a "How to Care for Humans" manual in the underside of my ottoman). Over the past month, however, she has had to learn a new role. That of being a big sister to not one, but two, kittens. Doc and Millie. My house is at CATpacity with three little furry terrorists now.

What does all of this have to do with fishing you might ask? Well let me tell you. I have often

compared White Marlin fishing to a cat chasing a ball of string. Tease Whitey long enough and he will pounce. The tail will twitch and wiggle faster as he is getting ready to do so. Put something shiny and fish shaped in front of him and he will follow it. Make that shiny shape shimmy just right and it will be irresistible. Trust me on this. I know a little bit about White Marlin....and I study cat behavior daily.

The fact that I study cat behavior daily will make the next thing I am going to tell you about somewhat embarrassing. Fishing is not simply the act of tossing a bait in the water. There are all sorts of preparations that must be made prior to a fishing trip. Chasing big game pelagic species like White Marlin means that the boat has to be fueled and properly provisioned for the voyage. The rods and reels have to be in tip top shape and prepared for some of the toughest fish in the ocean. Baits and lures have to be properly rigged. And in order for the baits to be rigged for a day of White Marlin fishing additional prep work is involved. Circle hooks need to be snelled to 50 or 80 pound monofilament leaders. Lots of hooks and leaders are necessary, and a long time ago I learned that it is easier to make these rigs at home in a comfortable chair rather than on a swaying deck with salt spray splashing off of my head. Well it used to be easier that is.

A few hours ago I set out my rigging supplies on my ottoman (the one with the "How to Care for Humans" manual in it). A spool of monofilament leader material. A few boxes of circle hooks. A package of crimps. A crimping tool. A pair of rigging pliers. Rubber bands, copper wire, and aluminum foil. My plan was to snell circle hooks to leaders in batches of ten. Then use a light piece of copper wire to bundle the hooks together and aluminum foil to wrap the bundled hooks to prevent them from tangling. Afterwards I would coil the ten leaders in a loop and secure it with a rubber band before putting the batch of rigs in a Ziploc bag to transport to the Last Call.

Remember what I said earlier about a White Marlin being like a cat chasing a ball of string? A spool of monofilament leader material is basically a ball of

[www.coastalfisherman.net](http://www.coastalfisherman.net) string, and I have three cats! Doc is usually a bit more timid than his sisters so I was pretty surprised when he moved in first and attacked the spool. My surprise was short lived however. Millie made the next move and began chewing on the leader I was snelling to a hook. Apparently kitten teeth are sharp enough to nick 80 pound monofilament. One rig ruined.

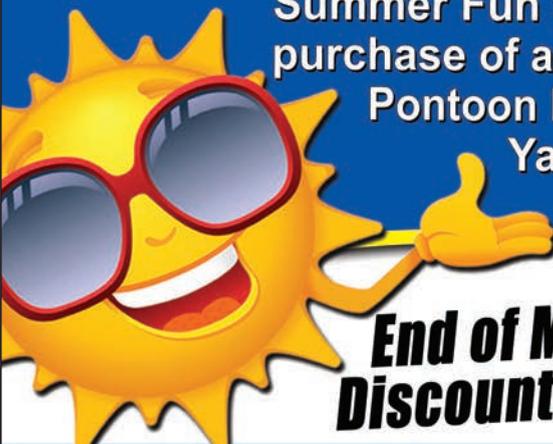
Then my toes were attacked from beneath the ottoman. Natty must have been reading the chapter on proper human distraction in the manual, because I was very distracted when the toe torment began. Alas I had to divert my attention from saving my toes back to the nine hooks laid out on the ottoman, because Doc decided to have a seat right on top of them. Thankfully I didn't have to perform any hook extractions from his furry backside!

While I was tending to Doc, Natty and Millie decided to take a break from helping me rig. I am thinking they went to have a snack or attend to some other serious cat business. Once Doc was out of the hooks he went to see what his sisters were up to. This allowed me enough time to make a whopping four out of my first batch of ten rigs before I noticed some tension on leader number five as I was beginning to snell the hook I was holding. Looking down at the spool I saw that Millie had returned and her kitten teeth were back to work. Ugghhhh....

And sure enough I had barely removed the leader from Millie's mouth when I heard Doc leap back up on to the ottoman and begin looking for the rest of his hooks. Thankfully my toes were safe for a minute because Natty was tangled up in my four finished rigs. I had no choice but to admit defeat. I called my wife from the other side of the sectional couch to help me untangle Natty and distract the kittens long enough for me to take my rigging supplies and retreat upstairs to my office to do my rigging behind a closed door.

Without any cat interference I managed to make up a few ten rig bundles for my upcoming fishing trips. Then I decided I might as well type this week's Fish Story. After all, I was already in the office!

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The Brown boys finally found their smiles when Bobby Keller from Hayden Colorado joined Richard and son Rick on a trip to the Baltimore Canyon. The were fishing the 100 fathom line on the private boat "Miss Darlene" out of Ocean View, DE. last Thursday when they took these 2 yellowfin tunas and single mahi.

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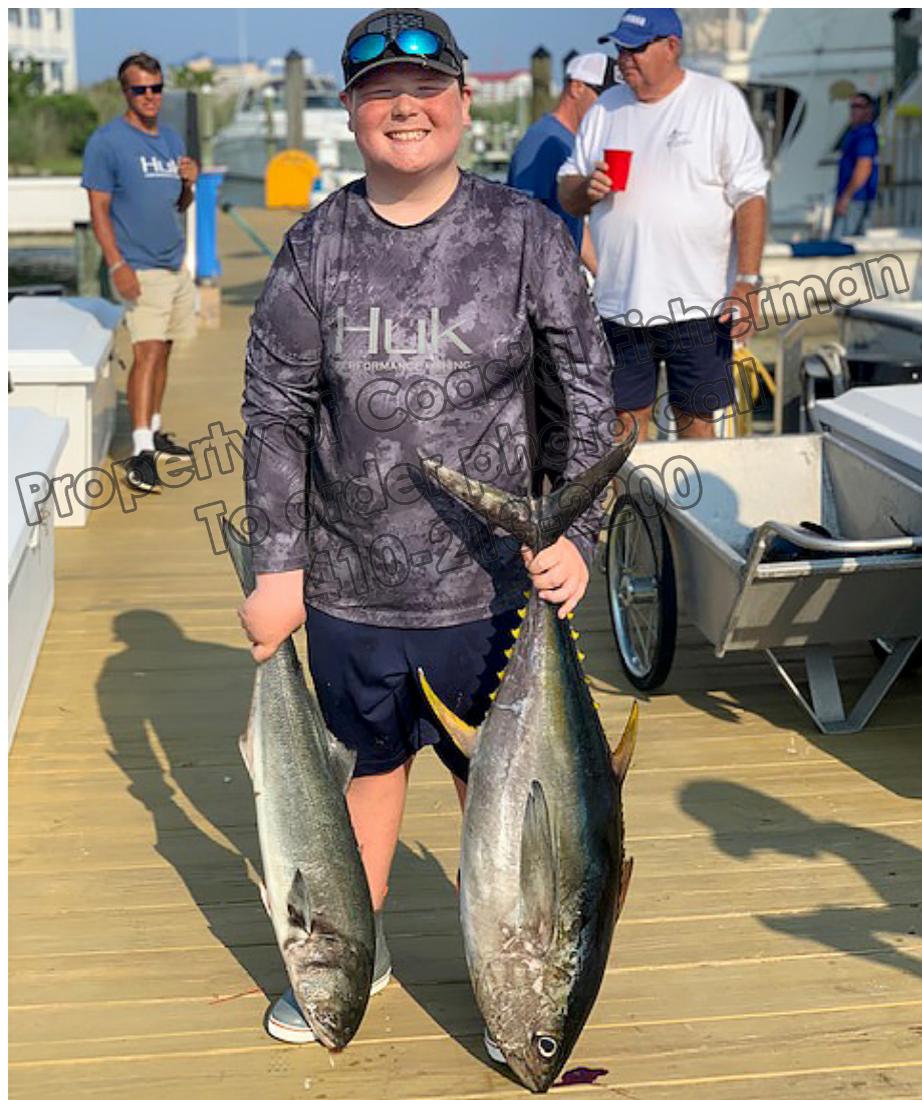


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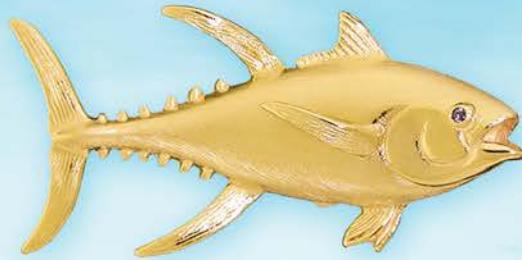


12 year old Brandon Hamm had a couple of firsts last week, catching his first yellowfin tuna (45 lbs.) and slammer bluefish (10 lbs.) on the charter boat "Top Shelf Sport Fishing" out of the Ocean City Fishing Center.



Another solid tuna trip for the charter boat "Always Late". Last week Capt. Larry Richardson and mates Eddie Braxton and Mike Bartemy headed to inside the Washington Canyon to find 75° water in 40 fathoms to boat these 5 yellowfin tunas. Anglers from Elkton, MD were Steve Barlow, Evan Rollings, Cameron Brown, Skip Brown and Ellis Rollins.

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Brittany Baeder and her dad Darrel chased the outgoing tide at the Ocean City Inlet to get this nice set of fish. She caught an 18" flounder using white Gulp. Dad's 15 1/2" sea trout was fooled by a white buck tail with Gulp.



9 year old Will Harms caught this nice longfin tuna last week in the Poor Man's Canyon. Not only is this unique as a longfin tuna, but it was also his first tuna catch and first offshore trip!

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David Ditch of Ocean Pines, MD picked the right shirt for his trip to the Poor Man's Canyon last week. He caught this matching 40", 20 lb. Mahi while fishing with his son Christopher.

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Always fun to post an unusual catch. Tim Murray, Michelle, Brian and Ashton Lambie (not pictured Greg Duncan) brought home 8 flounder, 4 sea bass and a shiny ribbon fish.. The fish were caught on squid and shiners over ocean structure.



Megan Fischer of Perry Hall, MD. is one happy fisherwomen holding this 19" flounder she caught using a minnow and pink Gulp (nicely showcased in the picture!) in the East Channel.

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“First Light” from Bethany Beach, DE took it to the next level last Sunday in the Ocean City Marlin Club Canyon Kickoff tournament, releasing a total of 5 white marlin. Combined with the 3 releases they had on Friday put them in a tie for 1st place in the Billfish Release Division. After the release times were reviewed, “First Light” capture 2nd place in the division and earned \$3,078 in award money! Capt. Jim Rodgers and mate Wil Kennington with anglers Steve Magdeburger and Ed Specht also brought back a nice yellowfin on Sunday as well.



There were a lot of yellowfin tuna brought to the scales on the first day of the Ocean City Marlin Club Canyon Kickoff Tournament last Friday. The top 3 positions in the Tuna Division changed hands several times until the crew from “Lucky Ducks II” brought this 51.4 lb. one to the scales. Art, Tina & Ben Blykin and Scott Graczkowski went to the Wilmington Canyon for this tuna that held onto 1st place by 0.2 lbs. to secure their \$11,047 in award money! 2 white marlin releases and a small dolphin added to the day as well.

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<b>2ND PLACE -</b>	<b>"FIRST LIGHT"</b>	<b>800 PTS.</b>	<b>\$3,078</b>
<b>3RD PLACE -</b>	<b>"FISH ON"</b>	<b>700 PTS.</b>	<b>\$2,052</b>

**Tuna (Yellowfin, Big Eye, Longfin)**

<b>1ST PLACE -</b>	<b>"LUCKY DUCK II"</b>	<b>YELLOWFIN</b>	<b>51.4 lbs.</b>	<b>\$11,047</b>
<b>2ND PLACE -</b>	<b>"GRANDE PEZ"</b>	<b>YELLOWFIN</b>	<b>51.2 lbs.</b>	<b>\$10,350</b>
<b>3RD PLACE -</b>	<b>"ROLL GROOVE"</b>	<b>YELLOWFIN</b>	<b>50.8 lbs.</b>	<b>\$2,713</b>

**Dolphin**

<b>1ST PLACE -</b>	<b>"MAKENZIE RAE"</b>	<b>36 lbs.</b>	<b>\$21,397</b>
<b>2ND PLACE -</b>	<b>"GRANDE PEZ"</b>	<b>24.2 lbs.</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>3RD PLACE -</b>	<b>"C-BOYS"</b>	<b>18.8 lbs.</b>	<b>\$2,713</b>

**Bluefin Tuna**  
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The crew of the “Makenzie Rae” were all smiles when they brought the first mahi to the scales during the Ocean City Marlin Club Canyon Kickoff Tournament last Friday. They were one and done, holding onto 1st place in the Dolphin Division with this 36.0 lb. bull. Worm Conner, Eric Gee, Shane Breen and Brian Kabjeski worked the Poor Man’s Canyon in 150 fathoms to raise this award winning fish and took home \$21,397 in award money!



There were a lot of white marlin releases during the Ocean City Marlin Club Canyon Kick Off Tournament and the crew from "Buckshot" show off the flags from their 5 releases last Sunday. The crew of Billy Miller, Dion Stanton and C.J. Miller also caught and released 3 white marlin the day before while trolling in the Wilmington Canyon to bring their total to 8 for the tournament and set a tie with the boat "First Light". "Buckshot" prevailed after the release times were reviewed and showed these boys caught their 8th white marlin a little over an hour before "First Light". That was a valuable hour as the "Buckshot" took home \$21,330 in award money.



Shadows and smiles meet the crew of C-Boys on the 4th of July as they brought their catch to the scales for the Ocean City Marlin Club Canyon Kickoff Tournament. Paul Crampton, Jr., Paul Crampton III, Lance Crampton, Sandy Bass with Capt. Luke Blume and mates Josh Blume & Wyatt Melocik displayed their American pride, 2 dolphins and a white marlin release flag. The larger mahi at 18.8 lbs. held on to win 3rd place in the Dolphin Division and was awarded \$2,317 in prize money.



On the last day of the Ocean City Marlin Club Canyon Kickoff Tournament the boat "Roll Grove" came to the dock late in the day and rolled right into 3rd place in the tuna division with this 50.8 lb. yellowfin. Fishing on the "Roll Grove" were Steve Poore, Eddie Kehl, Darren Helwig, Emma Helwig and Donnie Moore.

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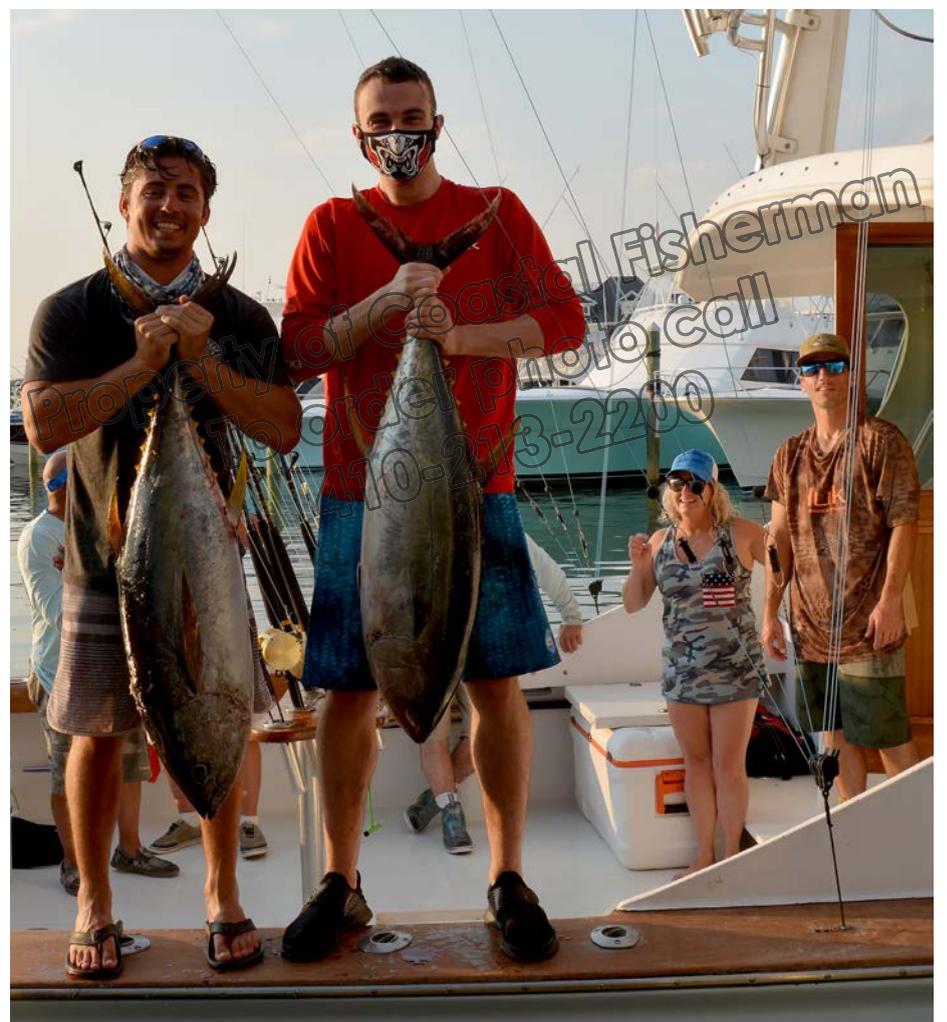
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The crew of the new "Longshot" sure was happy when they brought these two yellowfin tuna to the scales during the Ocean City Marlin Club Canyon Kickoff Tournament last Friday. While their journey to the Wilmington Canyon did not yield a prize winning catch, Adam and Ethan Lankford with Carey Cox, Kevin Weber, Jack Bauman, Thomas Jackson and Stevo Martin did get a chance to run the new boat and get some nice tunas.

# FACTS ABOUT... THE MAN IN THE BROWN SUIT



## Description

The body is elongate and torpedo-shaped with a long, depressed head. The eyes are small and the snout is broad. The lower jaw projects past the upper jaw. The skin looks smooth with very small embedded scales. Easily distinguished by the first dorsal fin which is composed of 7-9 short, strong isolated spines, not connected by a membrane. Second dorsal fin is long with the anterior portion elevated. The caudal fin is round to truncated in young fishes, and lunate in adults with the upper lobe extending past the lower. The origin of the anal fin is beneath the second dorsal apex and the pectoral fin is pointed. Cobia lack an air bladder. The body is dark brown to silver, paler on the sides and grayish white to silvery below, with two narrow dark bands extending from the snout to base of caudal fin. These dark bands are bordered above and below by paler bands. Young cobia have pronounced dark lateral bands, which tend to become obscured in the adult fish. Most fins are deep brown, with gray markings on the anal and pelvic fins.

## Habitat

As a pelagic fish, cobia are found over the continental shelf as well as around offshore reefs. It prefers to reside near any structure that interrupts the open water such as pilings, buoys, platforms, anchored boats, and flotsam. The cobia is also found inshore inhabiting bays, inlets, and mangroves. Remoras are often seen swimming with cobia.

## Diet

As voracious eaters, cobia often engulf their prey whole. They are carnivores, feeding on crustaceans, cephalopods, and small fishes such as mullet, eels, jacks, snappers, pinfish, croakers, grunts, and herring. A favorite food is crabs, hence the common name of "crabeater". Cobia often cruise in packs of 3-100 fish, hunting for food during migrations in shallow water along the shoreline. They are also known to feed in a manner similar to remoras. Cobia will follow rays, turtles, and sharks, sneaking in to scavenge whatever is left behind. Little is known about the feeding habits of larvae and juvenile cobia.

## Fishery

Cobia is considered an excellent game fish and are highly prized by recreational fishers. It is a powerful fish and exciting to catch on hook and line. In the US, cobia are caught commercially in pound nets, gill nets, and seines. They are also taken incidentally by shrimp trawlers and longliners in the Gulf of Mexico. Cobia are usually caught in small quantities due to their solitary existence. It is a good food fish for human consumption and is typically marketed fresh, frozen, or smoked.

## Size

Weighing up to a record 135 pounds, cobia are more common at weights of up to 50 pounds. They reach lengths of 20-47 inches, with a maximum of 79 inches.

## Range

The cobia is distributed worldwide in tropical, subtropical and warm-temperate waters. In the western Atlantic Ocean this pelagic fish occurs from Nova Scotia (Canada), south to Argentina, including the Caribbean Sea. It is abundant in warm waters off the coast of the US from the Chesapeake Bay south and through out the Gulf of Mexico. During autumn and winter months, cobia migrate south and offshore to warmer waters. Cobia prefer water temperatures between 68°-86°F. Seeking shelter in harbors and around wrecks and reefs, the cobia is often found off south Florida and the Florida Keys. In early spring, migration occurs northward along the Atlantic coast. In the eastern Atlantic Ocean, cobia range from Morocco to South Africa and in the Indo-West Pacific from East Africa and Japan to Australia. Cobia do not occur in the eastern Pacific Ocean.

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Jeremy Kohl from Dagsboro, and Rick Hoover from Ocean View, DE. went out on the private boat "Scuttlebutt" to the Baltimore Canyon to do some deep dropping for tile fish. While they did take 2 golden tiles, they also pulled up a elusive snowy grouper and a yellowfin tuna. The grouper weighed in at 26.3 lbs. at Hook'em & Cook'em at the Indian River Marina. Cool catch.

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Ray Comacho of Ocean View, DE shows off a pretty sea bass he reeled up while fishing on the head boat "Morning Star" on the inshore wrecks and reefs. Good fishing in the morning, but real tough when the current shifted mid-day.

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TRUST ME TOO - 2004 62' Titan Call Jimmy Fields



**\$399,000**  
IRONED OUT - 1989 61' Buddy Davis Call Jeff James



**\$1,049,000**  
SUTHERN'S PRIDE - 2004 61' Viking Call Preston Stofer



**\$875,000**  
APAVA - 1969 56' Rybovich Call Jimmy Fields



**\$549,000**  
HALCYON - 1998 55' Viking Call Jimmy Fields



**\$625,000**  
NATURAL - 1978 53' Monterey Call Jimmy Fields



**\$599,000**  
SALVATION - 1977 Omie Tillet Sportsman 50' Custom Carolina - Call Jeff James



**\$199,000**  
MR DUCKS - 1993 50' Hatteras Call Ronnie Fields



**\$299,000**  
LIBATION 2000 46' Buddy Harris Call Rich Sowden



**\$525,000**  
2016 43' Everglades Call Jimmy Fields



**\$399,000**  
GRET'S THREE J'S - 2008 43' Gillikin Express - Call Ronnie Fields



**\$340,000**  
2012 42' Invincible Call Jimmy Fields



**\$314,500**  
CHUBBY - 1995 42' Liberty Call Jeff James



**\$695,000**  
DONA LUCY - 2017 41' Ronin Custom Call Jimmy Fields



**\$427,000**  
STEAMER - 2008 41' Albemarle Call Erik Anderson



**\$155,000**  
DREAMIN' ON - 2002 40' LUHRS Call Terry Layton



**\$225,000**  
CONSTELLATION - 1984 37' Sunny Briggs - Call Ronnie Fields



**\$124,900**  
2004 35' Marlago Call Terry Layton



**\$155,000**  
CLEAR SHOT - 2006 33' Rampage Express Call Jimmy Fields



**\$85,000**  
BLUE ROSE - 2006 32' Sea Ray Call Jimmy Fields



**\$75,000**  
MISS SIS - 2001 31' Pursuit Call Jimmy