



The Angler

Newsletter

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The official newsletter of the Virginia Anglers Club

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Angler of the Month for March is New Member **Thomas Embry** with a BOWFIN, 7lb, 14oz, caught in Powhatan Creek Park.

April Membership Meeting is the ANNUAL FISH FRY

Members should start to save fish for the event NOW and be sure it's fully thawed when bringing the fish to the event. **THANK YOU!** - *The Cooks*

**MORE IMPORTANT INFO
ON PAGE 11!!!**

APRIL 25TH

5:30PM

AT



THE ROBBINS NATURE CENTER AT MAYMONT, 2201 SHIELDS LAKE DRIVE, RICHMOND, VA, 23220

President's Message

Howdy Virginia Anglers Club!

It's an honor to be the President of such a great club. When I joined VAC just a few years ago it was pretty much just to be around folks that loved fishin' and to go on more trips. I never thought that I would be where I am now and how much more I've gotten out of this club than I thought I would... so thank you all. I'd like to share with you a fond VAC memory I have from when I was a new member.

I believe that the second fishing expedition that I attended was the trout trip to Cedar Springs, VA to catch trout. We were fishing the big stream on a really cold morning; I believe it was about 18 degrees. My morning had been really slow which can be soul crushing when you're seein' other folks catchin' fish. I was wandering up the stream from the parking area. Captain Mike and Lynda Richardson were farther upstream and I saw Frank Hart fishing in the area of the creek where there's a tight bend before the bridge. (Many of you know the stream well and will know of the spot I'm writing about.) About 25 yards from Frank I passed a fella and his son who looked to be about 7 or 8. I asked 'em how they were doing and they had a few trout on a stringer which made me feel great since I didn't have any yet. I pulled up next to Frank and asked if he minded if I casted in there a few times. Well, that particular fishin' spot has a steep bank, probably 3 or 4 feet.

The sun had been out for a bit and the surface of the frozen dirt was getting slick as an eel. I was standing on the top of the bank and cast across and downstream with a Joe's fly and bang! First cast and I knew it was a good-sized trout. I took a step and "Uh Oh"! I had a total yard sale down the side of that greasy, muddy bank. I must have looked a lot like when one of those Olympic ski jumpers has a crash landing with the addition of clothing and fishing gear flying in every direction. I did about 3 different styles of rolls, barrel, forward, and log for sure, I ended up partially in the water laying on my back.... but I still had the fish on. I got up, worked the trout to the bank and Frank netted it for me. A 5 pound rainbow and the first citation rainbow for me. I looked like I had just lost a mud wrestling competition. Mud on my face and all in my hair, just a mess. A few minutes later that fella and his little boy walked up to see what I had caught. I asked the little guy if he had seen me catch that trout and he giggled and said "Yeah mister, that was AWESOME!", we all laughed. A win win in my book.

I'm really excited about the year ahead of us. We've already had a couple of great programs, both of which had awesome membership turnout. The club has seen a significant number of new members so far this year, 9 I believe. New member Thomas Embry was our Angler of the Month for March with a 393 point, 7lbs 14 oz bowfin on 2 spin. An impressive catch for sure but pales in comparison to his dedication to being on the water. We learned at our March program meeting that Thomas fished every single

day last year! 365 days! Incredible indeed and it was a great laugh to see the legend, Glenn Carter, initiate a standing ovation for such an impressive feat, Thomas has set the bar pretty high to say the least. New member Andy Cortez has a strong background in conservation and legislation and has offered to work with Capt. Chris Dollar to be our liaison for C&L in the area. We have a stellar line up of expeditions and tournaments scheduled thanks to work of Frank Hart, 15 or 16 I believe, Great job Frank. Then there's our April 25th fish fry at Maymont, Kids fishing Day, the Oyster Roast, etc. What a great year!

I sure hope that I get to see many of you at our fish fry this April 25th at Maymont. Please save some fish to bring, thawed out of course. If anyone has any ideas about programs, expeditions or tournaments they would like to see in the future please reach out to myself, Cliff Phipps, or Frank Hart. Hope you all get to fish soon and often and I look forward to seeing ya soon!

Dinkus Deane
President



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Welcome to Our Latest Communication Tool!!!

***SIGN UP FOR
VAC TEXT MESSAGING!***

To join the text group:
Scan the QR code on the right:

Your texting app will open with a new message of **vactexts** being sent to **18045679579**.

- Press the Send button.
- After about 60 seconds, you will receive the following text:

VACTEXTS: Alerts: Welcome to the VAC Membership **Text Group**! Reply Stop to optout. Msg&data rates may apply.

Your cell number has been added to the VAC Membership **Text Group**

OR

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This is a QR code. Scan it with the camera on your phone and see what happens!

JOIN US FOR KID'S FISHING DAY!!!



Kids Fishing Day - Saturday May 6 (day after Full Moon), RAIN DATE: Sunday, May 7

The club is having our kids fishing day on May 6 starting about 2 pm at the home of our esteemed President Dinkus Deane and his wife Roni, located at 15546 St. Peters Church Road, Montpelier. This event is for kids and our hope is plant that seed that someone in our lives planted for us that resulted in our interest in fishing. We fish with worms and floats and hope that waiting and watching that float go under will spark that same lifelong interest in these kids. So bring a kid or kids, we plan to fish until the kids get tired and then we will have a picnic supper.

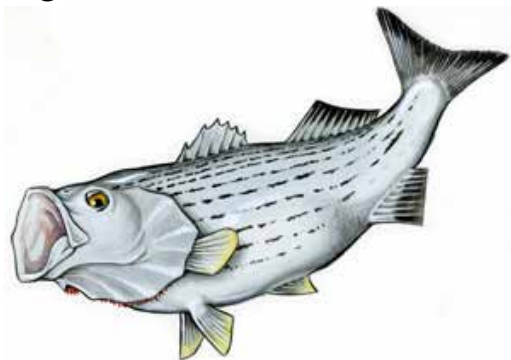
We will supply the worms, you bring a pole for your kid. We will provide the hot dog supper with the fixings and will have waters and juices for everybody.

Please let me know by May 3 if you plan to attend or have questions. I may need to contact you in the event of bad weather.

For more information contact, Stuart Lee. (804) 467-7080

From Chris Dollar, Conservation & Legislation

1. Blue Catfish - Talk about a hot-button issue. Va legislators have passed legislation that ramps up efforts to catch bluecats. The Maryland governor sent a letter recently to the US Sec. of Commerce asking "the federal government to declare the expanding population of invasive fish species—including blue catfish, flathead catfish, and snakehead—to be an ongoing commercial fishery disaster in the Maryland waters of the Chesapeake Bay. an emergency See link Governor Moore Requests Federal Fishery Disaster Declaration for Invasive Blue Catfish - Press Releases - Office of Governor Wes Moore (maryland.gov)



2. Menhaden MOU Working Group: I have heard no updates regarding this since it was passed Dec. 6, 2022 VMRC meeting. If fisheries conservation is a marathon, then menhaden work is an ultra-marathon. I was asked, and accepted, to represent VAC on the VSSA board. There is a meeting sched. 4/15 so I imagine it will be discussed.

3. Speckled Trout Fisheries Management Plan: NC Fisheries Div. hosted several public hearings to scope its speckled trout fisheries plan. Because Virginia fishes that same stock, the VMRC announced it plans to host public scoping meetings "dates to be determined) to discuss and collect public input on potential management changes to the Virginia spotted seatrout fishery in response to the stock assessment results." I'll let folks know if I hear about dates. Also, check VMRC website for updates.

4. Habitat Restoration & Artificial Reefs: After many years of being vacant, VMRC filled the Artificial Reef Coordinator position in late Jan. internally, tapping Hunter Smith. We met with him and his supervisor Alicia Nelson to discuss potential sites to place reef balls and pyramid style reef structure. On **TBD**, CCA Virginia will partner with James River Boys & Girls Club of Scottsville to build reef balls as part of CCA's Living Reef Action Campaign. Click here to volunteer or reach out to me if anyone has questions. Habitat restoration may be something our Club may want to consider getting involved in. (See next page for information and links.)

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Capt. Chris D. Dollar

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Press Releases of Interest... From Chris Dollar

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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WHO: Coastal Conservation Association Virginia and James River Boys & Girls Club

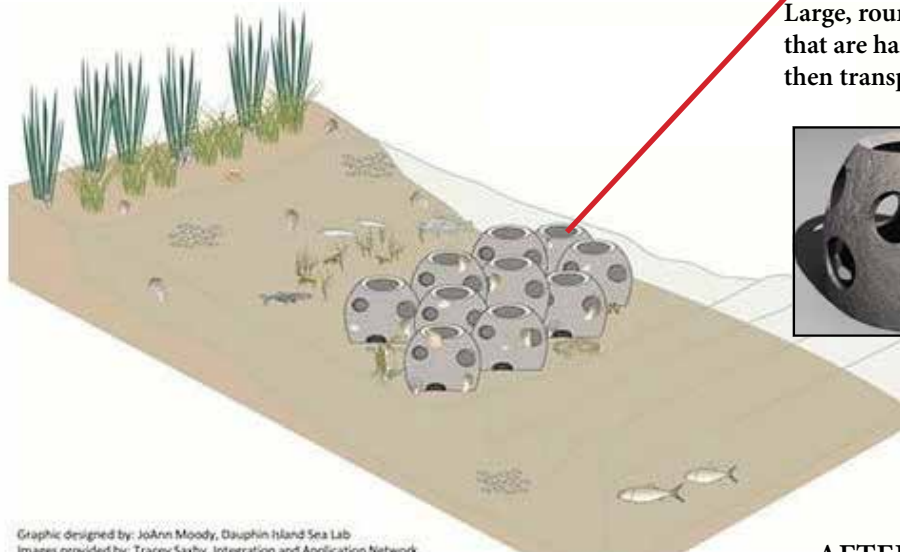
WHAT: Reef ball build hosted by Coastal Conservation Association's "Living Reef Action Campaign" (LRAC). This event was organized by new CCA Virginia members and partners and is an exciting next step in our efforts to expand our work throughout the Commonwealth. LRAC is Coastal Conservation Association's flagship habitat and education program that engages students and communities throughout the Chesapeake Bay. Since 2014, LRAC has engaged with thousands of students and community members across fifteen counties in Maryland and Virginia in hands-on, educational experiences that improve the health of the Bay and its rivers while inspiring stewardship of our marine resources.

WHEN: TBD

WHERE: Scottsville, VA. [Click here to volunteer.](#)

About CCA Virginia: [CCA Virginia's](#) mission is to advise and educate the public on the conservation of marine resources. The objective of CCA is to conserve, promote, and enhance the present and future availability of those coastal resources for the benefit and enjoyment of the general public. For more information and to support our efforts, visit ccavirginia.org.

Reef Ball Living Shoreline



Graphic designed by: JoAnn Moody, Dauphin Island Sea Lab
Images provided by: Tracey Saxby, Integration and Application Network.

What the heck is a reef ball?

Large, round, concrete shapes with holes that are hand poured by volunteers and then transported to sites needing habitat.



BEFORE



AFTER

Press Releases of Interest... From Paige Pearson/DWR



DEPARTMENT OF
WILDLIFE RESOURCES
CONSERVE. CONNECT. PROTECT.

For Immediate Release

February 6, 2023

Contact: Jeff Williams, fisheries@dwr.virginia.gov, (276) 783-4860

MUSKY BROODSTOCK COLLECTION PARTNERSHIP WITH NC WILDLIFE RESOURCES COMMISSION

RICHMOND, VA- the Department of Wildlife Resources (DWR) fisheries biologists will be working with staff from the North Carolina Wildlife Resources Commission (NCWRC) during the month of February to collect adult musky from the lower New River. This is a continuing partnership in which DWR provides a small number of adult musky to NCWRC. These fish are then taken back to NCWRC hatcheries and used to produce fingerling musky for stocking in North Carolina. In return, DWR receives a large number of musky fingerlings for stocking throughout the Commonwealth.



For the last several years, all musky that have been stocked in Virginia have come through this cooperative effort. Last spring, DWR provided NCWRC with five adult musky: two females and three males. For that investment, DWR received nearly 27,000 fingerlings that were stocked in waters across Virginia. The adult fish taken to North Carolina are not returned to Virginia waters due to disease transfer concerns. However, DWR staff make sure to rotate collection locations to keep from impacting the population in any one area of the river.

We are grateful to have this close relationship with our friends to the south of us as it greatly improves our ability to meet the needs of Virginia anglers.

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Press Releases of Interest... From Will Isenberg/VDEQ

The Virginia Coastal Zone Management Program at DEQ is a partner with the Mid-Atlantic Regional Council on the Ocean (MARCO) on a Prevent Balloon Litter Campaign, a project funded by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration's Marine Debris Program.

Our goal is to stop intentional releases of helium-filled balloons. 100% of balloons released into the air return to Earth (many onto the ocean) as deadly litter. Wildlife often confuse the balloon material and ribbon for food. We have created digital and print ads aimed at reaching as many people as possible to stop the intentional release of balloons.

You can learn more about our efforts by visiting PreventBalloonLitter.org.

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THIS SEA TURTLE THOUGHT SHE SWALLOWED FOOD NOT A BALLOON.


RELEASED BALLOONS CAN HARM WILDLIFE.

PLEDGE NOT TO RELEASE BALLOONS!

[Prevent Balloon Litter.org](http://PreventBalloonLitter.org)
Prevent Balloon Litter.org is a project funded by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration's Marine Debris Program.

 **MARCO**
Mid-Atlantic Regional Council on the Ocean

 **Virginia Coastal Zone**
MANAGING OUR COAST



IMPORTANT NOTICE!!!

CHANGE IN THE BY-LAWS NEEDS A **VOTE** from the membership DURING OUR MAY 2023 MEETING!



We will be voting on By-laws Revisions by a show of hands at the membership meeting on May 23rd.

Changes are minimal and include the following:

- 1) Separation of the roles of webmaster and newsletter secretary.
- 2) Rather than having 2 election judges to certify our annual vote for the Leadership Team, a procedure is added in case the results are contested. Postmarking for ballots deleted, as they are now electronic.
- 3) Rather than specify that the Board meets on the second Tuesday of each month, state that the Board meets at a minimum 6 - 7 times/year, and more frequently if needed. Prior to each Angling year, the Board will review and approve at a minimum the proposed budget, the proposed slate of officers and directors, and the proposed changes to Angling Rules.
- 4) Annual meeting - the President (rather than the officers) will make an annual report.
- 5) Membership - clarify that the Board of Directors serve as the Membership Committee. Section 5 (membership meeting requirement if within a 25 mile radius of Richmond), combined with Section 2 regarding requirements and approval, and deleted that the prospective member must be accompanied to the first meeting by his or her first sponsor, as many of our prospective members find us on the internet. Delete the requirement that directors must be present to vote on membership, as that occurs electronically.
- 6) Rearranging of the order of some sections to make the flow more logical.

**If you have questions or concerns prior to the meeting please contact
Dinkus Deane or Karen Anderson.**

2023 Program Schedule

From **Cliff Phipps,**
Programs

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THANK YOU! - *The Cooks*

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Silent Auction Items for Fish Fry (We would LOVE more items!!!)

- 1) **Dinkus Deane** - handmade (by Dinkus himself!!!), walnut, table top fly tying station
- 2) **Carter Clevenger, from Chris Dollar**, a salt water jighead box (\$60 value on his website)
- 3) **Bob Brown**, rod & reel????
- 4) **Lynda Richardson** from DWR - TBD

Raffle, Green Top \$25 gift cards

UPCOMING Speakers, Thank you Cliff!

May 23, **Wayne MacMasters**, Cobia on fly, conventional

June 27, **Bob Woods**, Custom Rod Builder

August 22, **Keith Nutall** - Speckled trout

October 24, **Mike Ostrander** - Light Line Catfishing

Sept or Nov 28, **Christopher Siess** - North Carolina Red fish on fly

PAST PROGRAMS

February 28- **Mike Isel**/DWR spoke on the biology of Lake Anna followed by **Alex McCrickard**, Fishing Education Coordinator/DWR, who provided angling techniques for the various species available in Lake Anna, focusing on stripers and striper hybrids.



Awesome info!! Thank you Mike and Alex!

March 28 - **Reed Parker**, part owner of **Current Culture Fly Shop**, here in Richmond, discussed techniques for shad fishing in the James River.



Reed spoke about various techniques for catching shad and stripers in downtown Richmond. Great stuff!

**Thank you
Reed!**



2023 Expedition & Tournament Schedule

From FRANK HART, Angling Activities Chair

I am very excited to share that we have a number of angling activities for the upcoming angling year. Member participation in expeditions and tournaments are a great way to get connected to other members and to our club. They also provide an excellent opportunity to discovery new interest and learn new techniques. I hope you can join us for these fun club events. Be on the lookout for additional information about each of these activities as we get closer to the dates. Note, some information and dates are still TBD. Tournament rules to be distributed to club members prior to the tournament and subject to change if agreed upon at a prior date and time to the activity. More details page 15!

Please contact **Frank Hart** with questions or to express interest in attending any of these events. (859) 808-0431

Virginia Anglers Club 2023 Angling Activities Calendar

April 1 st to April 16 th	James River	Hickory Shad	Tournament
April 15 th	James River	Shad Expedition	Expedition
April 1 st – November 15 th	East Coast	Puppy Drum	Tournament
◆ April 29 th	Atlantic Ocean	Surf Expedition	Expedition
May 6 th	Dinkus Dean Home	Bluegill, Crappie, Bass	Kids fishing day
May 21 st	Chickahominy Lake	Large Mouth Bass	Tournament
◆ June 3 rd	Hatteras NC	Surf Fishing	Expedition
June	TBD	Small River Wade Trip	Expedition
June 24 th	South Anna River	Small River Kayak/Canoe Trip	Expedition
July or August	Canada	Walleye/ Northern Pike	Expedition
August	Upper James River	SM Bass / Muskie	Expedition
October	TBD	Speckled Trout	Expedition
November	James River	Catfish	Tournament
◆ December 17 th to 19 th	Cedar Springs	Trout	Expedition

Notes about some of our trips

- ◆ Surf Trip April 29th with Bob Shepherd (Red Drum): first blow date is April 30th, second is May 13.
- ◆ Surf Trip June 3rd with Buddy and Danny Noland, Hatteras NC. (pompano, sea mullet, blues)
- ◆ Cedar Springs Trout Expedition December 17th to 19th: VAC has reserved the entire stream, includes two nights lodging and two days fishing.

2023 Expedition & Tournament Schedule

Some Important Details

Hickory Shad Fishing Tournament

The Virginia Anglers Club will be hosting a Hickory Shad Fishing Tournament open to all 2023 VAC Club members in good standing. All Tournament entries will be in compliance with local regulations and caught from the James River starting on April 1st up and including April 16th. We will have two winners determined by the highest point, and the heaviest Hickory Shad cards submitted to the VAC database. Card submissions must be turned in no later than Tuesday April 18th. A \$25 Green Top gift card will be awarded to the winners. A single person is eligible to win both prizes but it must be done with two separate fish submissions. In the event of a tie, the first fish caught will be the winner. A third prize (\$25 gift card) will be awarded to the highest point fish (non-hickory shad) caught while fishing for Shad.

Shad Expedition

We will have a member shad expedition on April 15th, those wishing to participate should plan to launch at Ancarrow's boat ramp before the parking lot fills up. If you do not have a boat make a few phone calls to some fellow members to make some plans. Alternately, there are plenty of bank fishing opportunities along the river above the boat landing.

Puppy Drum Tournament

April 1st to November 15th, VAC will conduct a puppy drum tournament. The winner will be determined by the puppy drum having the most spots (one side). First tie breaker is the largest fish up to 27 inches. Second tie breaker is first fish caught.

Surf Expedition

April 29th, Bob Shepherd will be hosting a surf expedition for members to the barrier islands off the Eastern Shore (first blow date is April 30th). You will need to contact Frank Hart ASAP to be included on this expedition.

**DON'T FORGET TO
SAVE FISH FOR THE FISH FRY!!!**

2023 Tournament Results

Virginia Anglers Club Yellow Perch Tournament Results

The Virginia Anglers Club conducted a Yellow Perch tournament from Feb. 18th to March 5th. If you missed out on the perch tournament be sure to participate in the upcoming VAC shad tournament starting April 1st.

Highest point yellow perch:

Cliff Phipps, 1 lb. 6 oz Yellow Perch on 2 spin for 361 points

Heaviest Yellow Perch:

Frank Hart, 1 lb. 3 oz Yellow perch on 4 spin for 258 points

Highest point other: (no photo provided)

Bob Brown, 1 lb. 12 oz Crappie on 2 -spin for 277 points

Each of the winners will receive a \$25 Green Top gift card at the next membership meeting. Big thank you to everyone who participated in the 2023 tournament. Congrats to all the winners!



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HIGHEST POINT WINNER



Frank Hart, 1 lb. 3 oz yellow perch on 4 spin for 258 points
HEAVIEST WINNER

2023 Expedition to Lake Anna

Additional photos from Jan 16th



Starting to wonder about these guys...well, it was pretty cold out there!



2023 Species Leaderboard as of 04/08/23

PRESIDENT'S AWARD FRESHWATER

Species	Name	Weight	Line	Division	Points	Date	Location	Bait
CATFISH, BLUE	C PHIPPS	50-12	4	GEN	541	2023-01-24	JAMES RIVER, VA	Gizzard Shad

PRESIDENT'S AWARD SALTWATER

Species	Name	Weight	Line	Division	Points	Date	Location	Bait
SEATROUT, SPOTTED	M MASON	4-14	12	SPIN	195	2022-12-19	JAMES RIVER, VA	Artificial Shrimp

DIVISION AWARDS FRESHWATER

Species	Name	Weight	Line	Division	Points	Date	Location	Bait
BOWFIN	T EMBRY	7-14	2	SPIN	393	2023-03-22	POWHATAN CREEK, JAMES CITY CO, V	Power Bait Trout Worm
CATFISH, BLUE	C PHIPPS	50-12	4	GEN	541	2023-01-24	JAMES RIVER, VA	Gizzard Shad
CATFISH, FLATHEAD	SC LEE	31-0	4	PLUG	449	2023-02-08	JAMES RIVER, VA	Bucktail
TROUT, BROOK	R HART	2-8	4	FLY	250	2022-12-21	CEDAR SPRINGS, VA	Mop Fly

DIVISION AWARDS SALTWATER

Species	Name	Weight	Line	Division	Points	Date	Location	Bait
SEATROUT, SPOTTED	M MASON	4-14	12	SPIN	195	2022-12-19	JAMES RIVER, VA	Artificial Shrimp

"HIGHEST POINT" SPECIES AWARDS FRESHWATER

Species	Name	Weight	Line	Division	Points	Date	Location	Bait
BASS, LARGEMOUTH	C PHIPPS	5-9	4	SPIN	278	2023-02-20	COHOKE MILL POND, VA	Blade Bait
BASS, STRIPED (HYB)	C PHIPPS	3-2	2	GEN	188	2023-03-29	LAKE ANNA, VA	Minnnow
BASS, STRIPED (LL)	C PHIPPS	3-6	2	PLUG	112	2023-02-08	LAKE ANNA, VA	Blade Bait
BOWFIN	T EMBRY	7-14	2	SPIN	393	2023-03-22	POWHATAN CREEK, JAMES CITY CO, V	Power Bait Trout Worm
CARP	R HART	21-0	16	PLUG	238	2022-12-18	COHOKE, VA	Blade Bait
CATFISH, BLUE	C PHIPPS	50-12	4	GEN	541	2023-01-24	JAMES RIVER, VA	Gizzard Shad
CATFISH, FLATHEAD	SC LEE	31-0	4	PLUG	449	2023-02-08	JAMES RIVER, VA	Bucktail
CRAPPIE, ALL	RJ BROWN	1-12	2	SPIN	277	2023-03-04	COHOKE CREEK, VA	Grub
FALLFISH	T FRANCO	1-0	6	FLY	227	2023-01-16	SOUTH RIVER, VA	Fly Helgramite
GAR, ALL	G ALVIS	22-6	6	SPIN	369	2023-04-02	NOTTOWAY RIVER, VA	Crappie Jig
PERCH, WHITE	C PHIPPS	1-0	2	SPIN	263	2023-02-11	COHOKE MILL POND, VA	Hand Poured Grub
PERCH, YELLOW	C PHIPPS	1-6	2	SPIN	361	2023-02-20	RAPPAHANNOCK RIVER, VA	Hand Poured Grub
PICKEREL, CHAIN	C PHIPPS	2-9	4	SPIN	188	2023-02-10	COHOKE MILL POND, VA	Blade Bait
SHAD, AMERICAN	JH SHEFFIELD	2-8	4	SPIN	149	2023-03-27	TAR RIVER, NC	Shad Dart
SHAD, HICKORY	J DOUGHTY	2-5	2	SPIN	262	2023-03-29	NOTTAWAY RIVER, VA	Shad Dart
SNAKEHEAD	C PHIPPS	4-13	2	SPIN	275	2023-02-24	RAPPAHANNOCK RIVER, VA	Hand Poured Grub
SUNFISH	C PHIPPS	0-13	2	SPIN	213	2023-04-03	COHOKE MILL POND, VA	Hand Poured Grub
SUNFISH, REDEAR	T EMBRY	0-12	2	SPIN	119	2023-03-26	LITTLE CREEK RES, JAMES CITY CO,	Powerbait Trout Worm
TROUT, BROOK	C PHIPPS	2-4	2	SPIN	255	2022-12-14	CRIPPLE CREEK, VA	Mini Jig
TROUT, BROWN	M OSTRANDER	4-2	6	FLY	184	2022-12-20	CRIPPLE CREEK, VA	Mop Fly
TROUT, RAINBOW	R HART	4-6	2	SPIN	273	2022-12-20	CEDAR SPRINGS, VA	Cliff Hand Made Plastic

2023 Species Leaderboard...continued

"HIGHEST POINT" SPECIES AWARDS SALTWATER

Species	Name	Weight	Line	Division	Points	Date	Location	Bait
SEATROUT, SPOTTED	M MASON	4-14	12	SPIN	195	2022-12-19	JAMES RIVER, VA	Artificial Shrimp

"HEAVIEST" SPECIES AWARDS FRESHWATER

Species	Name	Weight	Line	Division	Points	Date	Location	Bait
BASS, LARGEMOUTH	M MASON	7-2	12	SPIN	178	2023-03-24	SWIFT CREEK RESERVOIR, VA	Jerkbait
BASS, STRIPED (HYB)	C PHIPPS	3-2	2	GEN	166	2023-03-29	LAKE ANNA, VA	Minnow
BASS, STRIPED (LL)	J GORMAN	6-9	6	GEN	105	2023-03-08	LAKE ANNA, VA	Minnow
BOWFIN	T EMBRY	7-14	2	SPIN	393	2023-03-22	POWHATAN CREEK, JAMES CITY CO, V	Power Bait Trout Worm
CARP	R HART	21-0	16	PLUG	238	2022-12-18	COHOKE, VA	Blade Bait
CATFISH, BLUE	S KNOX	61-0	20BR	GEN	314	2023-02-06	JAMES RIVER, JONES NECK CUT-OFF,	Cut Shad
CATFISH, CHANNEL	C PHIPPS	1-4	2	PLUG	50	2023-02-08	LAKE ANNA, VA	Blade Bait
CATFISH, FLATHEAD	SC LEE	31-0	4	PLUG	449	2023-02-06	JAMES RIVER, VA	Bucktail
CRAPPIE, ALL	RJ BROWN	1-12	2	SPIN	277	2023-03-04	COHOKE CREEK, VA	Grub
FALLFISH	T FRANCO	1-0	6	FLY	227	2023-01-16	SOUTH RIVER, VA	Fly Helgramite
GAR, ALL	G ALVIS	22-6	6	SPIN	369	2023-04-02	NOTTOWAY RIVER, VA	Crappie Jig
PERCH, WHITE	C PHIPPS	1-0	2	SPIN	263	2023-02-11	COHOKE MILL POND, VA	Hand Poured Grub
PERCH, YELLOW	C PHIPPS	1-6	2	SPIN	361	2023-02-20	RAPPAHANNOCK RIVER , VA	Hand Poured Grub
PICKEREL, CHAIN	BL NOLAND	2-15	6	PLUG	171	2023-03-28	GODDINS POND, WEST POINT , VA	Chatterbait
SHAD, AMERICAN	JH SHEFFIELD	2-8	4	SPIN	149	2023-03-27	TAR RIVER, NC	Shad Dart
SHAD, HICKORY	JH SHEFFIELD	2-8	4	SPIN	238	2023-03-17	WELDON, NC	Spoon
SNAKEHEAD	C PHIPPS	4-13	2	SPIN	275	2023-02-24	RAPPAHANNOCK RIVER , VA	Hand Poured Grub
SUNFISH	C PHIPPS	0-13	2	SPIN	213	2023-04-03	COHOKE MILL POND, VA	Hand Poured Grub
SUNFISH, REDEAR	T EMBRY	0-12	2	SPIN	119	2023-03-26	LITTLE CREEK RES, JAMES CITY CO,	Powerbait Trout Worm
TROUT, BROOK	R HART	2-8	4	FLY	250	2022-12-21	CEDAR SPRINGS, VA	Mop Fly
TROUT, BROWN	M OSTRANDER	4-2	6	FLY	184	2022-12-20	CRIPPLE CREEK, VA	Mop Fly
TROUT, RAINBOW	R HART	4-6	2	SPIN	273	2022-12-20	CEDAR SPRINGS, VA	Cliff Hand Made Plastic

"HEAVIEST" SPECIES AWARDS SALTWATER

Species	Name	Weight	Line	Division	Points	Date	Location	Bait
SEATROUT, SPOTTED	M MASON	4-14	12	SPIN	195	2022-12-19	JAMES RIVER, VA	Artificial Shrimp

NEW CLUB RECORDS FRESHWATER

Species	Name	Weight	Line	Division	Points	Date	Location	Bait
BASS, STRIPED (HYB)	C PHIPPS	3-2	2	GEN	166	2023-03-29	LAKE ANNA, VA	Minnow
BASS, STRIPED (LL)	C PHIPPS	3-6	2	PLUG	112	2023-02-08	LAKE ANNA, VA	Blade Bait
CATFISH, BLUE	SC LEE	55-10	8	GEN	468	2023-01-24	JAMES RIVER, VA	Cut Gizzard Shad
GAR, ALL	G ALVIS	22-6	6	SPIN	369	2023-04-02	NOTTOWAY RIVER, VA	Crappie Jig
SNAKEHEAD	C PHIPPS	4-13	2	SPIN	275	2023-02-24	RAPPAHANNOCK RIVER , VA	Hand Poured Grub
TROUT, RAINBOW	D HOWARD	6-8	12	SPIN	141	2023-02-23	COLUMBIA RIVER, WA	Soft Plastic Swim Bait (Green)
WALLEYE	D HOWARD	8-1	12	SPIN	264	2023-02-22	COLUMBIA RIVER, WA	Soft Plastic Crawdad (Green)

2023 Species Leaderboard...continued

NEW CLUB RECORDS SALTWATER

Species	Name	Weight	Line	Division	Points	Date	Location	Bait
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YOUTH FRESHWATER

Species	Name	Weight	Line	Division	Points	Date	Location	Bait
CATFISH, BLUE	HENRY TOWNSEND 7_12	38-8	12	GEN	267	2023-03-24	JAMES RIVER, VA	Hickory Shad

YOUTH SALTWATER

Species	Name	Weight	Line	Division	Points	Date	Location	Bait
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NON-LOCAL AWARD FRESH OR SALTWATER

Species	Name	Weight	Line	Division	Points	Date	Location	Bait
WALLEYE	D HOWARD	8-1	12	SPIN	254	2023-02-22	COLUMBIA RIVER, WA	Soft Plastic Crawdad (Green)

NEW MEMBER AWARD

Species	Name	Weight	Line	Division	Points	Date	Location	Bait
BASS, LARGEMOUTH	T EMBRY	2-4	2	SPIN	150	2023-04-07	POWHATAN CREEK, JAMES CITY CO, V	S K KVD Splash Top Water Popper
BOWFIN	T EMBRY	7-14	2	SPIN	393	2023-03-22	POWHATAN CREEK, JAMES CITY CO, V	Power Bait Trout Worm
CRAPPIE, ALL	T EMBRY	0-15	2	SPIN	148	2023-03-28	LITTLE CREEK RES, JAMES CITY CO,	Powerbait Trout Worm
PERCH, WHITE	T EMBRY	0-0	6	SPIN	50	2023-03-05	POWHATAN CREEK, JAMES CITY CO, V	Power Bait Trout Worm
PERCH, YELLOW	T EMBRY	0-9	2	SPIN	148	2023-03-20	POWHATAN CREEK, JAMES CITY CO, V	Power Bait Trout Worm
PICKEREL, CHAIN	T EMBRY	1-8	4	SPIN	110	2023-03-21	POWHATAN CREEK, JAMES CITY CO, V	Power Bait Trout Worm
SUNFISH	T EMBRY	0-5	2	SPIN	82	2023-03-31	NW RIVER PK POND, CHESAPEAKE, VA	Power Bait Trout Worm
SUNFISH, REDEAR	T EMBRY	0-12	2	SPIN	119	2023-03-28	LITTLE CREEK RES, JAMES CITY CO,	Powerbait Trout Worm
TROUT, BROOK	T EMBRY	0-0	6	SPIN	50	2023-03-18	ARMISTEAD PT PK POND, HAMPTON,	Power Bait Trout Worm
TROUT, BROOK	T EMBRY	0-0	6	SPIN	50	2023-03-18	ARMISTEAD PT PK POND, HAMPTON, V	Gulp Minnow
TROUT, BROWN	T EMBRY	0-0	6	SPIN	50	2023-03-18	ARMISTEAD PT PK POND, HAMPTON,	Power Bait Trout Worm
TROUT, RAINBOW	T EMBRY	0-0	2	SPIN	50	2023-03-31	NW RIVER PK POND, CHESAPEAKE, V	Power Bait Trout Worm
Total					1400			



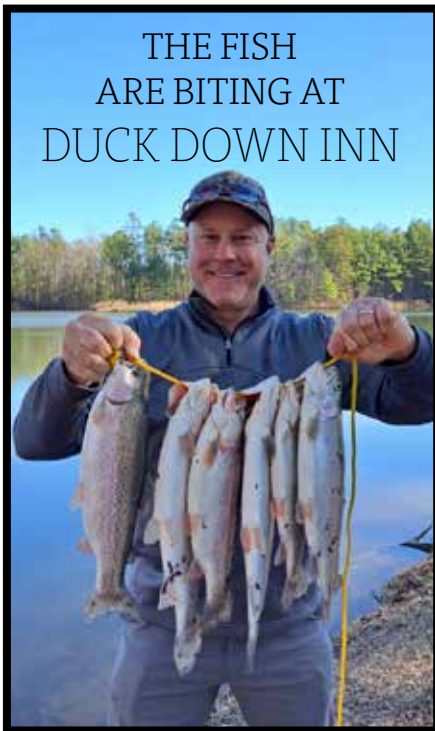
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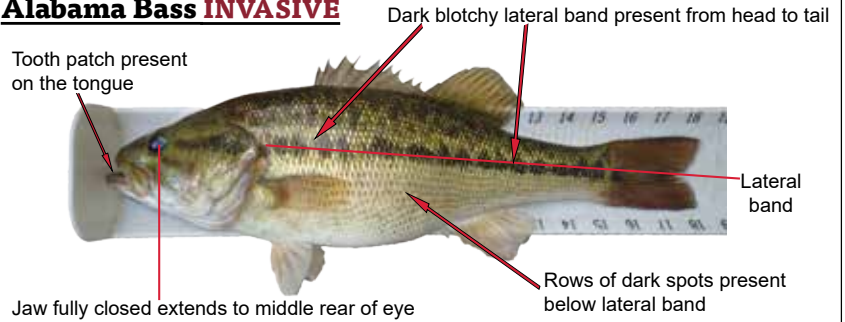
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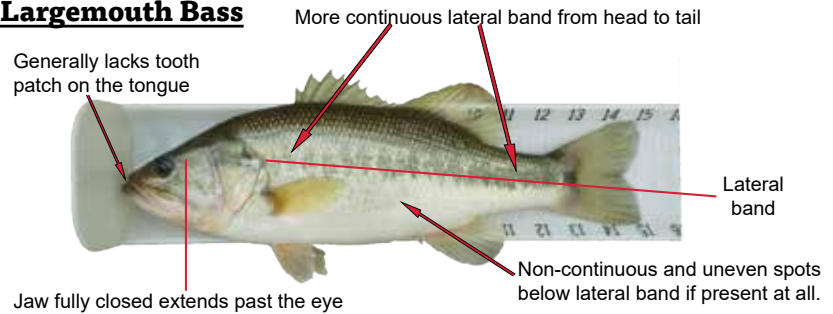
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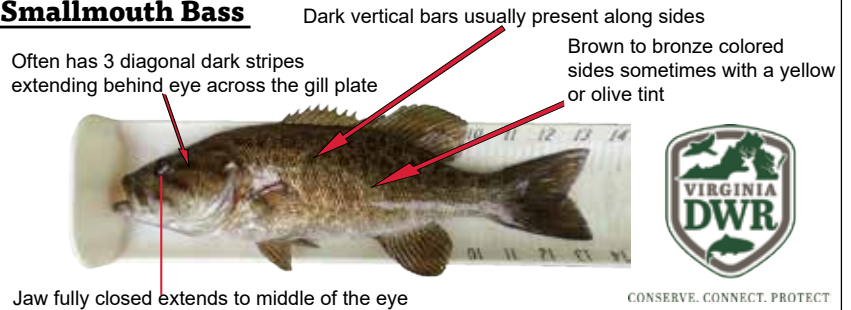
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Largemouth Bass

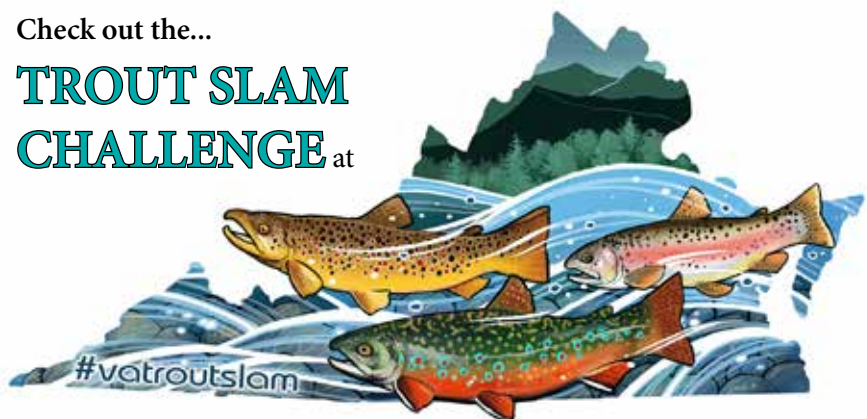


Smallmouth Bass



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TROUT SLAM CHALLENGE



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Fishing Memories APRIL/MAY 2023



Brent Boshier

OMG! Rainbow trout, 8.55lb



First Grouper!



Cliff Phipps

Snakehead, 4lb 13oz, 25 inch caught on 2 lb test line.



Tricia Pearsall

Chain Pickerell

Fishing Memories APRIL/MAY 2023



Lynda Richardson

First saugeye, 4 lb+



Mike Ostrander

First saugeye, 4 lb+



Cliff Phipps

Largemouth Bass



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Frank Hart



Carter Clevinger



Cliff Phipps



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