

Merry Fishes and
a Happy New Year!



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**NEXT MEMBERSHIP MEETING –
FEBRUARY 24, 2015 7:00 pm**

**NO MEMBERSHIP MEETING IN
DECEMBER**

**ANNUAL AWARDS BANQUET -
2015 AWARDS FEBRUARY 6, 2016**

VAC ANNUAL AWARDS BANQUET DATE SET – SAT. FEB. 6, 2016

Banquet Chairman Gary Green has reserved a room at Sam Miller's Restaurant for the 2015 Virginia Anglers Club Awards Banquet (called 2015 because awards for the 2015 angling year will be presented). The Banquet will be held on Saturday evening, February 6, 2016 at 7:00 PM, Sam Miller's restaurant. Please note this date on your activities calendar. More details coming after Jan. 1, 2016. Cost \$35 per Member or Guest.



BACKLASH

*Commentary from the
Board of Directors
-By John Wetlaufer, Sr.*

2016 DUES ARE NOW DUE – PLEASE PAY PROMPTLY

Late payment causes your volunteer fishing friends on the leadership team a lot of needless work later in the year running down those with unpaid dues. Payment now is truly appreciated.

HAVE A COMMENT OR QUESTION ABOUT THIS ISSUE OF THE ANGLER?

When you close your copy of The Angler, just do a "reply", write down your comment or your question and hit "send". Your reply will be directed to the staff of The Angler for attention. All comments or questions are welcome.

PAY DUES ONLINE

If you have not yet paid your 2016 dues, you can do so quickly and easily by paying online with your credit card*.

In-state pay \$60.00 per year. Out-of-state pay \$40.00 per year.

To pay In-State dues now, click here: <http://tinyurl.com/vacdues>

To pay Out-of-State dues now, click here: <http://tinyurl.com/vacdues-nl>

*You do not need a PayPal account. To pay with your credit card, simply click the "Don't have a PayPal Account?" link on the bottom right of the page.

To pay By Check, follow the instructions on the Annual Dues Invoice you recently received in the mail.



VOTING IS OPEN FOR OFFICERS AND 3 DIRECTORS NOMINATED FOR THE 2016 ANGLING YEAR

If you have not voted already for the Officers and the 3 incoming Directors, please go to <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/CP3KNNX> and cast your votes. You may vote for the candidates noted or make a write in for each office posted. We are again using the voting software Survey Monkey that automatically tallies and reports each vote. Note that voting closes at midnight, December 31st, 2015. Recipients of paper copies of The Angler will also get paper ballots on which to vote.

A complete list of the proposed Leadership Team for 2016 is found below.

Leadership Team Nominees 2016

Officers

President - Bobby Broughton
1st CO-VP (programs) - Art Conway
1st CO-VP (programs) - Mike Ostrander
2nd CO VP (tournaments) - Andrew Campbell
3rd VP (cons. & legis.) - Lynn Spurlin
Treasurer - Bill Butler
Recording Secy. - Karen Anderson
News Letter / Web Secy. - Johnny Wetlaufer

Directors - Class of 2018

Bob Brown
Gary Green.
John Wetlaufer, Sr.
(Vote for the Above)

Committee Chairmen

Angling Rules - Stuart Lee
A.R. Statistician - Stuart Lee
Banquet - Gary Green
Country Store - Joe Lovasz Sr. & Joe Lovasz Jr.
Membership - John Wetlaufer Sr.
Orientation - Bob Brown
Scale Certification - Larry Allen & Ryan Noland
Special Activities - Don West
Surf. Team Captain - Danny Noland
Website Assistant - Eric Webster

FEBRUARY 23, 2016 MEMBERSHIP MEETING PROGRAM

The details of the 2016 Membership Meeting are being assembled by Art Conway. Details of the February Meeting will appear in the February issue of the Angler.

NOVEMBER PROGRAM – CAPT. GEORGE BECKWITH DOWN EAST GUIDE SERVICE

“A YEAR IN THE LIFE OF THE DOWN EAST GUIDE SERVICE”

Capt. George Beckwith of the Down East Guide Service gave us a very informative program on both the biological side and the catching side of the fish he catches in during his charters on the Neuse River, Pamlico Sound, Roanoke River, Cape Lookout/Crystal Coast, Costa Rico, Argentina and Belize.

FIRST TOURNAMENT OF 2016 – TWENTY DAYS LONG! THE 2016 CHESAPEAKE BAY AND VIRGINIA TRIBUTARIES STRIPER TOURNAMENT

DECEMBER 12TH THRU 31ST, 2015

This tournament is the first tournament of the 2016 Angling Year. The tournament has three weekends of open for fishing during the 20 day length of the tournament. Please turn to page 7 of this issue of The Angler for all the tournament details, including some new features.

2016 COMBINED TOURNAMENT AND EXPEDITION SCHEDULE ONE LIST FOR ALL VAC ANGLING ACTIVITIES

Angling Activities Chairman Andrew Campbell and Expedition Leader Mike Ostrander have combined the 2016 Tournament and Expedition activities into one consolidated schedule. Andrew and Mike are also working with Program Chairman Art Conway to secure speakers who are pros at catching the species in the Tournament/Expedition that follows the particular Membership Meeting.

You will see that some activities have duration of one month; one is for the most species (FW & SW combined). Andrew and Mike worked hard to create these angling opportunities.

The combined schedule can be found on page 6 of this issue of The Angler. Start marking the dates on your calendars. Ask any questions by doing a “reply” and they will be answered.

TOURNAMENT AND EXPEDITION PARTICIPATION, CARD SUBMISSION DISAPPOINTING IN 2015

The Leadership Team is very concerned about the general decline in participation in VAC Tournaments and Expeditions in 2015. Some of these activities experienced no participation by Members. Please take a moment to do a “reply” to the E-Mail that brought you the copy of The Angler and let the Leadership Team know why you did or did not participate in these activities. Also, any changes you would like to see in this area of the VAC will really be appreciated. The Leadership Team needs input from all Members so we can plan activities that will appeal to all. Thanks in advance for your help.



**FREE FOR SALE AND WANT ADS NOW
CARRIED FREE IN THE ANGLER
THE ANGLER'S EXCHANGE**

Please turn to page 6 of this issue of The Angler for November's bargains offered by and the needs of your fellow VAC Members.

**COUNTRY STORE AVAILABLE FOR
MAIL ORDERS**

If you need some item from the Country Store during December and January, please contact Joe Lovasz, Sr. at lovasz@aol.com or Joe Lovasz, Jr. at jlovasz96@gmail.com or mail order service.

First Country Store opening in 2016, the February Membership Meeting, February 23, 2016.

**ENHANCMENTS MADE TO THE
CATCH DATABASE
TRY IT OUT – YOU CANNOT HURT IT**

The Catch Database is the collection (think giant spread sheet) of data from all Entry Cards (E-Cards and Paper Entry Cards) ever submitted. A check at this writing shows 11,803 individual entries! That's a lot of entries and even a larger amount of data. The data is easily retrieved by selecting search criteria in the boxes provided (Date, Year, Species, Division, Line Test, Etc.) at the Catch Database (search) screen.

You cannot screw up anything by playing with the Catch Database. Enter the Members Area, select "Catch Entries" and then select "Catch Database (Search)". Up come 10 items to search the database. Johnny Wetlaufer (Webmaster) and Stuart Lee (Angling Rules Chairman) have spent many hours verifying the accuracy of the Catch Database. Johnny has added Water Type (FW/SW), Tournament Entries and Record Only to the available searches.

Let's say you are going to Big Rapids River in Wyoming in September and want to try to break some brown trout records with some 4# and 6# tippet fly tackle. Want to know what the standing records are for brownies for 4# tippet? Open the Catch Records. Click on the down arrow and from the lists select as follows: Species - Trout Brown, Water - Fresh, Line - 4# Division - Fly and Records Only. Looks like the fishing you are planning at 4# tippet is wide open. Call your guide and book another week.

(Don't confuse the Catch Database with the tables of Basic Weights or the "Catch Records" on the home page of the web site.)

**9TH RICHMOND FISHING EXPO JANUARY 15-17.
FARM BUREAU CENTER AT THE MEADOW
EVENT PARK**

Go to page 9 of this issue of The Angler for complete details.

FALL BASS AND CRAPPIE TIPS

Yes, Virginia, there are bass and crappie around this time of year. Check out tips on how to catch these fish in late Fall cold (really?) weather. Page 9.

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WISDOM FROM THE TACKLE BOX

"Give a man a fish, and you'll feed him for a day; give him a religion, and he'll starve to death while praying for a fish."
~Author Unknown

John Wetlaufer, Sr.
Membership Chairman



“Catchy Comments”

By Stuart Lee

For the past couple of weeks, I have been helping Johnny Wetlaufer with a project to reconcile our club record sheet to our computerized catch database. We have quite a few old entries that are not in the database but are listed as club records. Johnny’s goal is to use the catch database to identify new club records upon entry in the database, which will eliminate a large manual effort to keep our club records up to date.

This exercise has caused me to reminisce about a few of the remarkable catches that members have made since I have been in the club. It also has reminded me that our club has, and has had, a number of very good fishermen. A catch that continues to amaze me was a 63 pound, 6 ounce White Marlin that was caught by Bill Rewalt on May 13, 1977, off the south coast of Barbados, which was part of Bill’s Master Angler requirement. The remarkable part was the fish was caught on an Ensley Reaper which is a grub-like lure on 6 lb spinning tackle. To catch a 10 to 1 game fish on spinning tackle is extremely difficult given the inherent problem of line twist in a prolonged fight. We all know that if you turn the handle of a spinning reel and have any line slippage; twists will develop in the line causing weakness.

Virgil Hughes’ 11 pound, 14 ounce Speckle Trout, caught on May 13, 1977, in the Piankatank River on 4 lb spin is another catch that I have always marveled at. That fish was a World Record for many years.

Another remarkable catch that I witnessed was made by Bill DuVal on July 1, 1988. We were fishing offshore with Norman Miller off Ocracoke, NC, on some live bottom using 2 ½ oz bucktails with a squid strip, and Bill had hooked a very nice fish early in the trip that took him in the bottom and broke him off. Bill is a master at this technique of drifting with a bucktail and of having exactly the right amount of line out to maintain contact with the bottom in deep water. He always makes a fool out of me. Later that afternoon, we returned to this same location, and Bill again hooks a very nice fish. After a prolonged struggle to get the fish off the bottom, he begins to get line and works the fish to the boat. It turned out to be a 50 pound, Warsaw Grouper, but before we could get the fish in the box and looking forward to grouper sandwiches, I noticed the fish had two identical bucktails (which I had made) in his mouth. It was the same fish that Bill had hooked and lost earlier that morning. It remains a club record.

I talked last month about rockfish. I want to pass along some encouraging news on the status of our local rockfish based on a personal observation. I had a friend come from Winchester who wanted to catch some rockfish on fly. We ran out into the mid-bay one very rough and nasty day last week and were greeted with birds working and fish splashing over a very large area. Most of the fish were small and some were very small, but there were some fish of decent size. The wind subsided after lunch, and we fished until mid-afternoon and ended up with 125 fish up to almost 12 lbs on fly. While I have seen better fishing for larger fish, I can say I was most encouraged by the amount of small fish that I saw and would say this holds great promise for the future. Merry Christmas to all.

Stuart



Doug Moran's 22.5" Citation Rainbow Trout



Max Moran's 27" Citation Rainbow Trout on 5wt fly



Ben Hebner's first Albacore



Rob Choi with a 22" tautog



Drew Campbell's first Sailfish



2016 COMBINED TOURNAMENT AND EXPEDITION SCHEDULE
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February -- Tournament Friday February 26 to Sunday March 13
Yellow Perch Tournament

April -- Tournament Sat/Sun April 16/17. Blow Date: April 23/24
Shad Tournament

April – Expedition Saturday, April 30
Trout Fishing on the South River (Lead by Eric Webster)

May -- Expedition Saturday, May 28
Chickahominy Lake Fishing & Lunch (Lead by Art Conway)

June -- Expedition Saturday June 25
Flathead Catfish Wade Fishing Trip (Lead by Billy Nicar)

July -- Expedition Saturday July 30
James River Float Trip (Lead by Steve Knox)

August– Expedition Saturday June 25
Smallmouth & Sunfish Wade Fishing Trip (Lead by Mike Ostrander)

September – Tournament All Month
Most Species Caught by Member

November - Tournament All Month
Blue Catfish on the James River

This schedule will be posted on the VAC Website.

DECEMBER’S “FOR SALE” AND “WANTED” ITEMS

THE ANGLER’S EXCHANGE

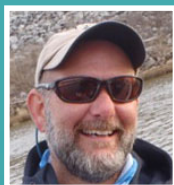
For Sale: Autographed copy of Carolina Flare, Outer Banks Boat Building & Sportfishing Heritage by Neal, John and Jim Conoley. Two hundred and eighty-six pages, over 600 historical and contemporary pictures. Reduced to \$20.00. Contact John Wetlaufer, Sr. at 804-513-4677 © or E-mail at jlwsr@rcn.com.

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TOURNAMENT NEWS



BY DREW CAMPBELL - ANGLING ACTIVITIES CHAIRMAN

THE 2016 CHESAPEAKE BAY AND VIRGINIA TRIBUTARIES STRIPER TOURNAMENT DECEMBER 12TH THRU 31ST, 2015

It is that magic time of the year~

Time to get on the Striped Bass also known as the Rockfish, Linesider and most common name in Virginia (and King of the Chesapeake bay ~) Striper !!!

The venerable Striper is the most sought after near shore species on the East coast.

This Sporty fish is caught on foot on kayak and on some of the largest sport fishing vessels on the bay and everything in between (highly accessible) Techniques range from soaking cut bait on the beach to trolling, jigging, live baiting and fly casting!

Reports of huge fish being landed are surfacing from the Northern Chesapeake Bay to the Bay bridge tunnel ... after several less then productive years it seems as if we may be into a substantial year class this year ... show us what you've got and enter this year's VAC striper tournament !

NEW this year we will be introducing the team format , a new way to enter~

Teams are a way to get together with family/friends or VAC buddies or make new friends sharing time on the water.

Teams can be made up of 2 to 4 people. To fish as a team you must let the Tournament chair Andrew Campbell know that you plan to fish in this way by e-mail at campbellx2@verizon.net with the subject line , "Team Entry" and in the body list the names and number of the members in your team (teams are not limited to VAC members)

IF you prefer to fish on your own and keep that "secret spot or technique to your self you may still enter as an individual.





FROM THE DECEMBER 9, 2015 EDITION OF THE OUTDOOR REPORT



(Do You Know This Member of the VAC?)

Consider a gift certificate for a guided family fishing trip with experienced guides like those featured in TOR Fishin' Report. Pictured here is long time contributor Art Conway of Conway's River Rat Guide Service who reports on the Chickahominy. You can talk with Art and numerous other guides at the upcoming Richmond Fishing Expo January 15-17 at the Meadow Event Park in Doswell. Visit the website for details on exhibitors and seminars by the pros to get the most out of your fishing adventures. Photo by David Coffman, Editor TOR.

GIFT SUGGESTIONS FOR YOUR FAVORITE ANGLER (BY SARAH WHITE)

Many of us have anglers on our Christmas lists this year but, fortunately, there are lots of items that they will really like. "Really like", not the way they like the hand knitted orange and purple wool scarf from Aunt Hattie. Another lucky thing is that there are fishing related gifts to fit any budget. The least expensive items for your fisherman are lures. They tend to be under \$5 and can, of course, be used again and again for years to come. Try to find out what kind of fish and what time of day and weather your angler likes to fish in so that you can get the right one. The internet and your local tackle merchant should be able to help you with this, as will reading the Fishin' Report !

A good rod is always a welcome gift, and they range in price so there are lots of options. Take note, there are rods designed especially for women nowadays. For your little angler or soon to be angler, you have plenty to choose from. There are rod kits that are designed around popular cartoon characters; with Sponge Bob, Spiderman, Toy Story, Cars, Barbie, Disney Princess and Disney Fairies, and Mickey Mouse to name but a few. Some of these are suitable for very young kids. For the older and more serious child angler Ugly Stick and Zebco have rod and lure kits.

But fishing involves more than rods and lures. For example, there are now many soft-sided, durable tackle boxes. When that lure pays off and the fish is brought up, there are many welcome gifts that can help; such as pliers, line clippers and hook removers. Then the angler needs a fish ruler and scale. Scales come in digital and old fashioned spring scales, with digital ones being more costly. If it's a keeper, scale scraper, filet knives and boards and safety gloves come in handy. An emergency hook extractor may also prove invaluable. For anglers who use live bait, a baitfish net would be gratefully received; as would a good bait bucket.

Safety oriented gifts are also welcome. Everyone who fishes from a boat should have a life jacket. The new and improved 'inflatables' are comfortable and affordable and provide full range of motion for casting and hauling in the biggin'. There should also be a first aid kit. The pre-made ones tend to be pricey, and it's often better to get a fanny pack and fill it up with first aid items. Fire extinguishers are an excellent idea as are signal whistle and a good flashlight.

If your angler is a real die hard who fishes every chance he gets, you might want to consider a lifetime fishing license. They are priced according to the age of the recipient, with older ones being less expensive. A recent retiree who now has lots of time to fish would love it.



9TH RICHMOND FISHING EXPO JANUARY 15-17.

FARM BUREAU CENTER AT THE MEADOW EVENT PARK

The family-oriented show is geared to be a fun and educational experience for all who attend, providing the largest array of tackle and some of the finest professional talent sharing their experience with you. VDGIF staff will be on hand to answer questions on Agency programs, angling education, special training events, regulations and opportunities to enjoy Virginia's great outdoors. The Outdoor Report e-newsletter will feature information on where to get the latest "how are they bitin'" info on more than 25 primary lakes and rivers statewide through the Fishin' Report, exclusive for TOR subscribers. Many of TOR Fishin' Report contributors will have exhibits at the Show where you can meet and talk with them about their services. Also follow us on Facebook. For detailed information visit the Show website.

FALL BASS AND CRAPPIE TIPS

Chasing bass in fall does not need to be a chore. Fall Movement to Consider! As we move further into the fall and early winter bite movement of the bass become more predictable than ever. Bass are very much creatures of habit and understanding their patterns and locations carry over from one year to the next. Location becomes key and fishing where the fish are, is much easier than not. As the cooler water temperatures start to infiltrate the deeper levels of water, the suspending bass and lethargic actions start to change drastically and location, bass movement and strategy becomes easier. Continue reading at <http://www.odumagazine.com/fall-movement-to-consider/>

If your crappie tackle box doesn't have bladed jigs, like the Road Runner Original Marabou Jig and the Bass Pro Shops Tube Stump Jumper Jigs, you're missing a serious slab-catching bait for fall. The design of this jig features a swivel and spinner blade connected to the underside of the head. This hardware gives them extra action crappie can't resist. Here are 3 reasons why you need to fish a bladed jig for slabs in the fall: Slow Sink, Baitfish Flash and Bite Indicator. Continue reading at <http://www.odumagazine.com/bladed-jigs-for-fall-crap-pie/>

HELP KEEP ANGLING LEGAL - REPORT VIOLATIONS

Freshwater

If you suspect or witness an angling or hunting violation, report it to
VADGIF Wildlife Crimeline at 1-800-237-5712.

Saltwater

If you have a need to report to the VA Marine Resources Commission any emergency,
boating accident or other violation, call the Marine Police Dispatch Center
toll free at 1-800-541-4646

HELP SUPPORT



The Virginia Wildlife Crime Line has become a valuable tool in the enforcement of the Commonwealth's game, fish and boat laws. Reward payments are approved and funded through the Virginia Sportsman Reward Fund, Inc. The Virginia Sportsman Reward Fund's mission is to promote the enforcement of hunting, fishing, and boating laws in Virginia by supporting the Wildlife Crime Line in cooperation with the Virginia Department of Game and Inland Fisheries.

Tax-deductible donations can be made to:
Virginia Sportsman Reward Fund, Inc.
P.O. Box 11104, Richmond, VA 23230-1104
or by calling (804) 367-1242



ANNUAL AWARDS 2015

President's Award Freshwater

Species	Name	Weight	Line	Division	Points	Date	Location	Bait
BASS, LARGEMOUTH	F COUSINS	5lb-10oz	2	SPIN	375	6/5/15	Elly's Pond, VA	Art. Worm

President's Award Saltwater

Species	Name	Weight	Line	Division	Points	Date	Location	Bait
DRUM, RED	B SHEPHERD	46lb-0oz		SURF	328	5/23/15	Virginia Barrier Islands, VA	peeler crab

Division Awards Freshwater

Species	Name	Weight	Line	Division	Points	Date	Location	Bait
BASS, LARGEMOUTH	F COUSINS	5lb-10oz	2	SPIN	375	6/5/15	Elly's Pond, VA	Art. Worm
PERCH, YELLOW	R CHOI	1lb-2oz	2	GEN	239	3/8/15	Piscataway creek, VA	Minnow
SHAD, HICKORY	J DOUGHTY	1lb-3oz	2	PLUG	134	4/11/15	Nottoway River, VA	dart
TROUT, BROWN	A CAMPBELL	7lb-0oz	6	FLY	312	7/26/15	Bull Pasture River, VA	Prince Nymph

Division Awards Saltwater

Species	Name	Weight	Line	Division	Points	Date	Location	Bait
BASS, STRIPED	A CAMPBELL	12lb-6oz	8	FLY	206	12/28/14	Chesapeake Bay, VA	half and half Clouser
BASS, STRIPED	B BROUGHTON	8lb-0oz	4	PLUG	160	11/15/15	James River, VA	Bucktail
COBIA	W MOSLEY	42lb-0oz	12	SPIN	280	5/30/15	York Spit, VA	Bucktail
DRUM, RED	F COUSINS	45lb-0oz	12	GEN	321	8/30/15	Pamlico Sound, NC	Cut Mullet
DRUM, RED	B SHEPHERD	46lb-0oz		SURF	328	5/23/15	Virginia Barrier Islands, VA	peeler crab

"Highest Point" Species Awards Freshwater

Species	Name	Weight	Line	Division	Points	Date	Location	Bait
BASS, LARGEMOUTH	F COUSINS	5lb-10oz	2	SPIN	375	6/5/15	Elly's Pond, VA	Art. Worm
BASS, SMALLMOUTH	C MORRISON	1lb-12oz	2	SPIN	175	5/30/15	Petersburg, VA	Artificial worm
BOWFIN	A CAMPBELL	5lb-0oz	12	FLY	121	5/25/15	James river fall line, VA	Cone head bugger fly
CATFISH, CHANNEL	W MOSLEY	5lb-12oz	4	SPIN	171	11/8/15	Little Creek Reservoir, VA	Z-Man TRD
CATFISH, FLATHEAD	A CAMPBELL	17lb-0oz	20	FLY	144	3/19/15	James river, VA	small Chartruese Clouser
CRAPPIE, ALL	C MORRISON	1lb-0oz	2	SPIN	158	4/11/15	Petersburg, VA	Artificial Worm
PERCH, WHITE	B BROUGHTON	0lb-9oz	8	FLY	110	4/11/15	James River, VA	Fly
PERCH, YELLOW	ROB ROBINSON	1lb-4oz	2	SPIN	328	3/23/15	Mattaponi River, VA	Jig / Grub
PICKEREL, CHAIN	A CONWAY	3lb-6oz	4	SPIN	248	11/18/15	Chickahominy Lake, VA	Strike King swimbait
SHAD, AMERICAN	MB KODROFF	3lb-4oz	4	SPIN	194	4/8/15	Tar river nc, NC	Dart
SHAD, HICKORY	J BLANKENSHIP	2lb-4oz	4	FLY	267	4/11/15	James River, Richmond, VA	Fly
SUNFISH	SC LEE	0lb-14oz	4	SPIN	190	9/22/15	Private Pond, VA	Jig-n-minnow
SUNFISH, REDEAR	W SHANDS	1lb-0oz	2	SPIN	158	11/7/15	Wyndham Lake, VA	Yamamoto grub 1/32 jig
TROUT, BROWN	A CAMPBELL	7lb-0oz	6	FLY	312	7/26/15	Bull Pasture River, VA	Prince Nymph
TROUT, RAINBOW	A CAMPBELL	5lb-0oz	6	FLY	223	7/25/15	Bull Pasture river, VA	Bottle fly (dry)

"Highest Point" Species Awards Saltwater

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AMBERJACK, GREATER	B BROUGHTON	19lb-8oz	16	PLUG	108	7/3/15	Nags Head, NC	Bucktail
BASS, STRIPED	B SHEPHERD	23lb-0oz		SURF	230	5/15/15	Barrier Islands, VA	Peeler crab
BLUEFISH	F COUSINS	5lb-8oz	2	SPIN	183	4/27/15	Rudee Inlet, VA	Grub
COBIA	W MOSLEY	42lb-0oz	12	SPIN	280	5/30/15	York Spit, VA	Bucktail
DOLPHIN	DN NOLAND	31lb-0oz	30	GEN	103	6/5/15	Hatteras, NC	ballyhoo
DRUM, RED	B SHEPHERD	46lb-0oz		SURF	328	5/23/15	Virginia Barrier Islands, VA	peeler crab
TUNNY, LITTLE	J BLANKENSHIP	11lb-0oz	16	FLY	157	11/16/15	Cape Lookout shoals, NC	anchovy fly

"Heaviest" Species Awards Freshwater

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BASS, LARGEMOUTH	F COUSINS	5lb-10oz	2	SPIN	375	6/5/15	Elly's Pond, VA	Art. Worm
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New Club Records Freshwater								
Species	Name	Weight	Line	Division	Points	Date	Location	Bait
BASS, SMALLMOUTH	A CAMPBELL	5lb-0oz	6	FLY	357	8/22/15	St. Lawrence River Canada, OTHER	Chartreuse and white dunnies
BASS, SMALLMOUTH	A CAMPBELL	4lb-8oz	12	FLY	195	8/23/15	St. Lawrence River Canada, OTHER	Small Chartreuse Deceiver
BOWFIN	A CAMPBELL	5lb-0oz	12	FLY	121	5/25/15	James river fall line, VA	Cone head bugger fly
CATFISH, CHANNEL	W MOSLEY	5lb-12oz	4	SPIN	171	11/8/15	Little Creek Reservoir, VA	Z-Man TRD
SUNFISH	A CONWAY	0lb-7oz	2	SPIN	115	9/19/15	Chickahominy Lake, VA	Nikko stonefly
SUNFISH	SC LEE	0lb-14oz	4	SPIN	190	9/22/15	Private Pond, VA	Jig-n-minnow
SUNFISH, REDEAR	W SHANDS	1lb-0oz	2	SPIN	158	11/7/15	Wyndham Lake, VA	Yamamoto grub 1/32 jig
TROUT, RAINBOW	RL WHITE	17lb-8oz	16	FLY	377	12/12/14	Jurassic Lake, Patagonia, OTHER	Prince Nymph
TROUT, RAINBOW	RL WHITE	16lb-0oz	20	FLY	285	12/12/14	Jurassic Lake Patagonia, OTHER	Prince Nymph
New Club Records Saltwater								
Species	Name	Weight	Line	Division	Points	Date	Location	Bait
COBIA	W MOSLEY	48lb-0oz	50BR	GEN	117	5/30/15	York Spit, VA	Eel
SNOOK	JL WETLAUFER, JR	4lb-1oz	2	SPIN	135	4/5/15	Punta Gorda, FL	Beetle Spin
Pajchak Award								
Species	Name	Weight	Line	Division	Points	Date	Location	Bait
MARLIN, WHITE	BL NOLAND	0lb-0oz	30	GEN	148	7/19/15	Norfolk Caynon, VA	Live Mackerel
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MARLIN, WHITE	BL NOLAND	0lb-0oz	30	GEN	148	8/21/15	Washington Canyon, VA	Ballyhoo
MARLIN, WHITE	BL NOLAND	0lb-0oz	30	GEN	148	8/1/15	East of Cigar, Va. Beach, VA	Ballyhoo
Youth Saltwater								
Species	Name	Weight	Line	Division	Points	Date	Location	Bait
DRUM, RED	Anna Maria Brink 13_17	41lb-0oz	20	GEN	215	6/29/15	Hatteras Inlet, NC	Menhaden
Non-Local Award Fresh or Saltwater								
Species	Name	Weight	Line	Division	Points	Date	Location	Bait
SAILFISH, PACIFIC	SC LEE	0lb-0oz	20	FLY	500	3/10/15	Iztapa, Guatemala, OTHER	Cam Siegler Popper
New Member Award								
Species	Name	Weight	Line	Division	Points	Date	Location	Bait
SHAD, HICKORY	J BLANKENSHIP	2lb-4oz	4	FLY	267	4/11/15	James River, Richmond, VA	Fly
TUNNY, LITTLE	J BLANKENSHIP	11lb-0oz	16	FLY	157	11/16/15	Cape Lookout shoals, NC	anchovy fly
Total					424			

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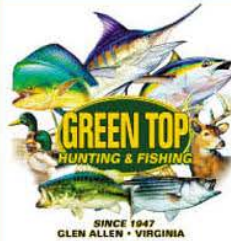
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