

Expedition Time!



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### **NEXT MEMBERSHIP MEETING – MAY 22, 2018 7:00 pm**

Doors open at 4:30 PM  
Meeting Starts ~ 7:00 PM

Keagan's Irish Restaurant and Bar [keagan-  
richmond.com]  
2215 Old Brick Road Glen Allen, VA  
Phone: 804-360-9240



### **BACKLASH**

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

### **NEXT-UP ANGLING ACTIVITY ALERT**

May 22 - May Membership Meeting –  
State Record White Catfish Opportunities VDGIF  
Biologist Chad Boyce

June 2 - Expedition – Fishing Chickahominy  
Lake – Art Conway Leader J

June 30 - Expedition – Small River Wade Fishing  
– Mike Ostrander Leader

### **MAY PROGRAM – FISHING OPPORTUNITIES IN SUFFOLK, VA** **(By Mike Ostrander)**

Biologist Chad Boyce from the Department of Game and Inland Fisheries will speak on the fishing opportunities in Suffolk Virginia. There are many impoundments that hold citation sized fish for many freshwater species. Each year 2+ pound shellcrackers come from the Suffolk lakes as well as the real opportunity to catch a Virginia State Record White Catfish. Chad will discuss the where and when for white catfish. Bring your questions on other species as well, as Chad a long time biologist with the Department.

### **CHANGE – SUBMITTING PHOTOGRAPHS FOR THE ANGLER**

From now on, please send photographs for publication in The Angler to Carter Clevinger (carter.clevinger@dominionenergy.com) AND John Wetlaufer, Sr. (jlwsr@rcn.com).

Please no longer send photographs to Johnny Wetlaufer...

### **COUNTRY STORE CLOSES ITS DOORS – SPECIAL ORDERS SURVIVE**

The Virginia Anglers Country Store has closed its doors after many decades of service to the Members of the VAC. In the future, VAC “gear” and other items will be available to Members on Special Orders only. The last Special Order was for hooded sweatshirts printed with the VAC logo on the front and a special fish print by Rob Choi on the back. Members need to suggest special orders. The leadership team will not be the source of ideas for suggestions for special orders.



## MAY 2018 CONSERVATION AND LEGISLATION REPORT Suzanne Lucas – C&L VP

This month's C&L report is a compilation of a link to additional information on the DGIF website and two articles found elsewhere in this May issue of The Angler.

### DGIF 2018 Aquatic Wild Life Regulation Review and Amendment – Call for Public Comments

The DGIF is seeking public comments on some fishing regulation amendments being proposed by the DGIF. The comment period opened April 30th and will close July 28th. If you wish to review the regulation, the proposed amendments and comment on the changes, please open:

[https://www.dgif.virginia.gov/regulations/2018-aquatic-wildlife-regulation-proposals/?utm\\_source=dgif\\_homepage&utm\\_medium=slider](https://www.dgif.virginia.gov/regulations/2018-aquatic-wildlife-regulation-proposals/?utm_source=dgif_homepage&utm_medium=slider)

You can register your comments while at this website.

### Northern Snakehead Fish Found in Lakeview Reservoir in Colonial Heights

The DGIS issued a press release concerning the above invasive species of fish found in a local Virginia body of water. Read the entire press release on page 6 of this issue of The Angler.

### With The ASMFC's Menhaden Regulations Virginia Is Out Of Compliance

John Paige Williams, Senior Naturalists with the Chesapeake Bay Foundation, summarized the ongoing efforts to protect the Atlantic Menhaden in the Bay as "like pushing a rock up a hill over and over. The threats keep just keep coming." The well intentioned request from Virginia's Governor Ralph Northam to the Virginia General Assembly to cap the menhaden catch to comply with the ASMFC's Amendment 3 was kicked under the menhaden steamer by the General Assembly. Read more about Virginia's non-compliance with the ASMFC's catch cap on page 7 of this Angler.

### New E-Mail Address for Conservation and Legislation Items

To send C&L items to me, please use: [conservation@virginiaanglersclub.org](mailto:conservation@virginiaanglersclub.org).

This address is intended to be used for Conservation and Legislation related items only. All C&L items welcome.

## WELL LIKED VAC MEMBER, DICK STEPHENSON, PASSES

Forty-six year Member of the Virginia Anglers Club, Dick Stephenson, pulled lines for the last time on Thursday, April 19, 2018. Member Stuart Lee shares his memories of Dick in the memorial tribute to Dick that follows:

Dick Stephenson (By Stuart Lee)

I met Dick Stephenson in 1972 in Virginia Beach when I was working on a charter boat. He was, at the time, implementing probably the best conceived business plan of all time. He and his friend and business partner Pete Pajchak had in 1970 opened the first Skilligalee restaurant at Staples Mill and Glenside Drive in Richmond. They also owned a boat and leased an apartment within a block of Rudee Inlet. Their plan was that each week one partner would manage the restaurant in Richmond while the other stayed in Virginia Beach and tried to catch the fish that could be transported back to Richmond and served in the restaurant. For two young, single guys who loved to fish, it was an ideal plan and both guys greatly enjoyed the lifestyle. Pete Pajchak was tragically killed in an auto accident in 1973, and Dick assumed ownership of the restaurant and oversaw the designing, building, and furnishing a much larger new restaurant in 1984.

Dick allowed the Anglers Club to meet at his restaurant for a number of years. Most members will argue that it was the best of all the meeting locations that the club has used since our inception. The private dining room was the perfect setting for the Board of Directors' meetings, and the Punt Gun room was used for membership meetings until the restaurant closed.

I fished and duck hunted with Dick for many years and have a multitude of memories. He was the greatest guy to travel with because he always knew where to eat and what to order. He did love good food of all kinds, and fishing or hunting with him was always a culinary treat.

Dick liked old Chesapeake Bay and Eastern Shore decoys, little clams from around Willis Wharf, salty Chincoteague oysters, silver queen corn, sleeping late, old Corvettes, and old wooden Chesapeake Bay boats.

If I were asked to describe Dick Stephenson in a single word, I would say that he was a gentleman. He was a gentleman who enjoyed life, which is a fine legacy.



Stuart Lee

Dick Stephenson



Dick Stephenson



Bill DuVal

Stuart Lee

Dick Stephenson



**TWO EXPEDITIONS COMING UP IN JUNE**

**CHICKAHOMONY LAKE – LEADER ART CONWAY**

Saturday, June 2nd  
(By Art Conway)

Location: Ed Allen’s Boat Landing  
Time: Saturday, June 2 Lunch at 1:30 PM  
Fishing starting time variable Coordinator: Art Conway  
[aconway@vcu.org](mailto:aconway@vcu.org)

Folks who bring their own boats can launch as early as they want. Mr. Allen usually opens about 5:30 AM. There may be one or more club tournaments running, so launching right at sun-up may be a little congested. If people want to deal with that, they are free to do so, but waiting until at least 7 to launch usually skips most of the mess. The crappies, yellow perch, and bluegills do fine later in the morning, but the bass fishing may be best just before and right after sunrise.

People who want to rent boats will have to wait until Mr. Allen gets any tournaments out of the way before he can do boat rentals. Sunrise is shortly before 6 on June 2, so Mr. Allen will probably start doing boats about 6:30 AM.

Launch any time after 5:30 AM for those with their own boats. Launch fee \$8 per day or \$125 annual pass

Boat Rentals start about 6:30 AM

Prices below are 2018 prices.

14 foot jon boat and motor (16 available, capacity 2 or 3 people per boat): \$55 per day for basic 14 foot jon and 9.8 horse motor. Add trolling motor and battery to jon boat (a few available): add \$15 per day

A few larger jon boats are available with motors for \$60.00 or \$65.00.

Pontoon boat and motor (3 available, capacity about 6 people per boat): \$125 half day, \$200 full day

Lunch at Lakeside Restaurant (at the marina) at 1:30 PM. Fishing continues afterwards.

If you want to reserve a boat rental, please call 804-966-5368 and tell them you are with Art Conway’s group. All renters will need to fill out rental forms and pay on Saturday morning.

If you want lunch in the restaurant with the group, please email me ([aconway@vcu.org](mailto:aconway@vcu.org)) the names of the people coming by Tuesday May 29 so I can give Mrs. Allen an accurate count of how many of us to prepare for. Dutch treat, variety of fast foods, reasonable prices.

If you would like a fishing report, I’ll be happy to email out the report I do on Wednesday evenings. You can also access those reports at <http://edallens.com/fishing-report/>.

Ed Allen’s Boats and Bait is at 1959 Allen Road, Lanexa, VA 23089 if you are using a GPS to find it.

I’ll be in a Nissan pickup pulling a camo aluminum jet boat that looks like a giant jon boat with a center console. My logo is on the cap on the pickup. My cell phone is 804-514-1486 if you need to reach me around meeting time.

Note: For turn-by-turn road directions, please hit “reply” while you have The Anger open and ask for directions. They will be sent to you.

**SMALL RIVER WADE FISHING –**

**LEADER MIKE OSTRANDER**

Saturday, June 30

(8 Angler limit - Details in the June Issue of The Angler)  
SPECIAL 2 DAY FLOAT TRIP EXPEDITION GIUIDED  
BY WES HODEGES ON THE NEW RIVER  
JULY 17TH & 18TH

Member Robert Thomas has arranged a two day trip in July with Wes Hodges, the speaker at our March 27th Membership Meeting. Participation is limited to five VAC anglers so be sure to make your reservation before the June 16th deadline. Full details are found on page 8 of this issue of The Angler.

For more information about Wes’ guide offerings, please check out: <https://www.wesleyhodgesflyfishing.com/>

**ANNUAL VAC FISH FRY A TOTAL SUCCESS AGAIN**

About forty VAC Members and guests of all ages attended the VAC’s Annual Fish Fry under the tent at the Maymont Nature Center on April 24th. The rain did not deter all in attendance from having a great time.



World Class Hush Puppy Chef Jeff Doughty

You will have to go a long way to find any fish fry that offered as many species as the VAC Fish Fry. Here is what species, fried and lightly breaded, were available on the buffet line:

Yellow Perch, Crappie, Black Seabass, Sun fish, Yellow Fin Tuna, Blow Fish, Cat Fish, Flounder and Large Mouth Bass



Glenn Carter's Catch At The Fish Fry  
(Erin Lee Broughton, Brenda Lee, Glenn and Judy Carter)

The Virginia Anglers Club famous VAC Fry Team nailed it again with their culinary skills. Setting up an amazing portable kitchen under portable pop-up shelters, they effortlessly cooked nine species of fish to perfection and set out all the fixings like there was nothing to it. Jeff Doughty again fried his special hush puppies and Fred Cousins served his special tarter sauce. The 2018 Fry Team was Buddy, Danny and Ryan Noland, Jeff Doughty, Fred Cousins and Billy Nicar. We Members cannot thank them enough for their efforts.



Three John Wetlaufers Waiting For Food Line To Open  
(Johnny, Jake and John)

The Fry Team wants to thank those Members present at the Fish Fry who helped with the clean up at the end of the Fish Fry. Stripping the Tyvek® table cloths, policing up the trash and securing the tables and chairs allowed the Team to concentrate on knocking down their amazing portable kitchen. Thanks also to Member Fred Murray who made arrangements for the use of the tent for the Fish Fry.

SCALE CERTIFICATION AVAILABLE NOW BY  
"APPOINTMENT ONLY"

If you have any new or un-certified scales on which you will be weighing catches for submission for catch credit, please contact the below for scale certification. Larry Allen at: (804)-781-0907 (H), (804)-241-3706 (C) or allenhouse75@comcast.net  
Ryan Noland at: (804)-658-1955 (H), (894)-896-4178 (C) or ryan.n.noland@usa.dupont.com  
Please remember to be sure your scales are in working order, the barrels are oil free and are placed in a Zip-Loc type sealable plastic bag with your name on the outside.

HUMOR FROM THE TACKLE BOX



For The Leadership Team,  
John Wetlaufer, Sr., Director & Membership Chairman



## **FOUR VAC MEMBERS RECOGNIZED IN THE DGIF'S 2017 ANGLER HALL OF FAME**

In the May/June 2018 issue of Virginia Wildlife, The Virginia Department of Game and Inland Fisheries recognized the Virginia anglers who are members of the "2017 Anglers Hall of Fame". Among the numerous anglers recognized were four Members of The Virginia Anglers Club who are participants in the Virginia Angler Recognition Program. Three Members attained Master Angler recognition in three levels and one Member was recognized among the 2017 Anglers of the Year. Congratulations to all four.

### Master Angler Program

Arthur "Art" F. Conway – Master Level I

Robert "Rob" Y. Choi – Master Level II

Andrew "Andy" D. Bagwell – Master Level II

### 2017 Master Anglers of the Year Program

William "Billy" Nicar – Flathead Catfish (44 lbs., 44" long, James River, 05-25-2017)

Note: To find out all you need to know about the Trophy Fish Program, open [www.dgif.virginia.gov/fishing/trophy-fish](http://www.dgif.virginia.gov/fishing/trophy-fish) or call (804)-367-1000.

## **WHAT BAIT WILL WORK BEST FOR ME?**

Did you even wonder what baits work best for what species in a specific stream, river or lake? That information is as close as the "Search Catch Data Base" feature of the Member's Area of the VAC Website. Open this data base and you will see baits on which over 12,200

entries have been caught. You can even gain some insight to what bait has worked best in what month. Take a minute to check out this handy feature of our Website. There is a wealth on information therein based on actual catches.

## **Northern Snakehead Fish Found in Lakeview Reservoir in Colonial Heights**

RICHMOND, Va. (WSET) -- According to a release from the Virginia Department of Game & Inland Fisheries (DGIF), biologists have confirmed the presence of Northern Snakehead fish in the Lakeview Reservoir in Colonial Heights.

This is the ninth discovery of the exotic species in a Virginia body of water. The first on being in 2004 in the Potomac River.

The presence of this fish in the Lakeview Reservoir is the first confirmation of its existence in the James River Reservoir.

Exotic species can have a major impact on natural aquatic systems. Snakeheads can compete with fish native to the body of water which effects their feeding.

They can also transmit foreign parasites and diseases to native wildlife.

Despite depictions in popular media, Northern Snakeheads can't actually move across land. They are usually introduced to an area by people intentionally putting them in new bodies of water.

Doing so is a Class 1 misdemeanor and is punishable by up to 12 months in jail, a fine of \$2,500 or both.

The DGIF recommends that if you catch a Northern Snakehead, you take a photo and contact them at (804) 367-2925.

The DGIF also recommends that you kill all snakeheads if caught.



**With The ASMFC's Menhaden Regulations Virginia Is Out Of Compliance**  
**(Chesapeake Bay Magazine, Bay Bulletin, 5-3-2018, John Evans) (BB)**

The Atlantic States Marine Fishery Commission (ASMFC), a federally sanctioned board of scientists, analysts and state representatives charged with coordinating and managing Atlantic coast fishery resources, has ruled that the Commonwealth of Virginia is “potentially out of “compliance” in response to the state’s failure to implement a mandatory 51,000-metric-ton cap on its Chesapeake Bay menhaden harvest. The next step would be to refer the violation to the office of the U.S. Secretary of Commerce, which could shut down Virginia’s menhaden fishery entirely.

Virginia’s massive reduction fishery is dominated by Texas-based Omega Protein operating out of a Reedville factory employing about 200 people. The company benefits from an allocation representing nearly 80 percent of the allowance for the entire east coast. Omega operates a fleet of ships, purse seine boats and spotter planes to find and capture entire schools of these ecologically important forage fish. The fish are hauled to Reedville where they are processed into additives for cosmetics, health products, animal feed and fish meal. Menhaden are critical components of the Chesapeake ecosystem as food for other keystone species such as striped bass, bluefish, dolphin, and osprey, and they filter the Bay by consuming algae from the overly nutrient-rich water. Scientists have established that controlling the removal of menhaden is necessary for the health of the ecosystem. Consequently, ASMFC is following through with plans for factoring in the ecological value of menhaden in the management plan, a direction that Omega Protein and some in the Virginia legislature are resisting.



An Omega Protein menhaden factory ship at work on the Chesapeake Bay.

Virginia is unique in that the state’s menhaden fishery is managed by the legislature instead of by professional state-employed fisheries managers, thus throwing the decisions on harvest into the political realm. At the moment, the Virginia legislature is still in session to consider various amendments and vetoes from Governor Northam. Therefore, ASMFC decided to postpone the non-compliance referral until August while they monitor the harvest and any movement by the legislature to comply.

It’s important to note that Omega’s average Chesapeake Bay harvest over the last five years has fallen well below 51,000 tons in spite of the fact that the allowed harvest has been upwards of 80,000 metric tons. In fact, ASMFC reports that the 2017 Chesapeake Bay harvest was about 20,000 metric tons. The company’s total 2017 coast-wide harvest was nearly 130,000 metric tons. Fisheries analysts at ASMFC feel it is unlikely that Virginia will be able to exceed the new Chesapeake Bay cap even considering Omega’s considerable capacity, based on current fish population estimates.

In a statement, the Coastal Conservation Association, a national fisheries advocacy group, applauded ASMFC’s move to hold Virginia accountable, stating, “This is a fair step given the situation, but it should be made absolutely clear that the ASMFC will not stand by and allow a state to simply disregard provisions of a duly approved and adopted management plan. We support the ASMFC’s action and hope Virginia will agree to reasonable regulation of the menhaden reduction industry in the Chesapeake Bay.”

Chesapeake Bay Magazine is following this important issue, and we will keep you posted.

**SPECIAL 2 DAY FLOAT TRIP EXPEDITION GUIDED BY WES HODGES  
ON THE NEW RIVER JULY 17TH & 18TH**

Arrive 6pm on Monday, July 16th.

Guided float fishing on Tuesday the 17th and Wednesday the 18th. Mid-July is prime time for top water action on the New River. The fish are looking up and they are eating.

Leave after fishing Wednesday.

Cost of trip is \$725.00\* per person. A deposit of \$250.00 is required to hold your place--first come--first served. Balance is due upon arrival.

\*Price includes Lodging; all Meals--Dinner Monday, Breakfast, Lunch, and Dinner Tuesday, Breakfast and Lunch Wednesday--; Snacks and Drinks on the boat; 2 days of Guided Fishing. \*\*Tips for the guides are not include but are much appreciated. They work hard to make sure you have a great time on the water.

5 anglers are required to make this work. The five slots will be held for VAC members until June 16th. After that time non-VAC members will be offered the opportunity to fill any remaining slots.

Deposits should be mailed to: Robert Thomas

806 Wilmer Ave  
Richmond, VA 23227

If anyone has questions, contact Robert: Cell: (804) 307-7122  
E-mail: rtp photography@comcast.net

**WHEN FISHING - REMEMBER HYPOTHERMIA**

The USCG reports that statistically cold water incidents peaked on nice, sunny weekends. Research has shown that the two factors which best relate to cold water fatalities are "Cold Water Shock" and hypothermia. Cold Water Shock occurs when water is below 60 degrees and the difference between the water and air temperature is >15 degrees. Hypothermia threat increases significantly in water temperature less than 60 degrees.

Water Temp (°F)	Loss of Dexterity (with no protective clothing)	Time to Exhaustion or Unconsciousness	Expected Survival Time
32.5 °F	Under 2 minutes	Under 15 minutes	Under 15 – 45 min
32.5 – 40°F	Under 3 minutes	15 – 30 minutes	30 – 90 minutes
40 – 50°F	Under 5 minutes	30 – 60 minutes	1 – 3 hours
50 – 60°F	10 – 15 minutes	1 – 2 hours	1 – 6 hours
60 – 70°F	30 – 40 minutes	2 – 7 hours	2 – 40 hours
70 – 80°F	1 – 2 hours	2 – 12 hours	3 hours – Indefinite
> 80 °F	2 – 12 hours	Indefinite	Indefinite



80lb Tarpon



37 Inch Snook



4lb Peacock Bass

Andy Bagwell's trip to Florida



Clown Knifefish

Jacob Nixon with a nice grass carp



Grass Carp 15lb 8oz



## ANNUAL AWARDS 2018

## President's Award Freshwater

Species	Name	Weight	Line	Division	Points	Date	Location	Bait
GAR, ALL	F COUSINS	11lb-8oz	2	PLUG	418	2017-12-22	JAMES RIVER, VA	Grub

## President's Award Saltwater

Species	Name	Weight	Line	Division	Points	Date	Location	Bait
DRUM, RED	R CHOI	53lb-0oz	20	FLY	441	2018-05-14	EASTERN SHORE, VA	Half and Half Fly

## Division Awards Freshwater

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CARP	J NIXON	15lb-8oz	6	FLY	403	2018-04-18	RICHMOND CITY, VA	Self tied topwater fly
CATFISH, BLUE	B SHEPHERD	31lb-0oz	4	GEN	330	2018-02-24	JAMES RIVER, VA	cut shad
GAR, ALL	F COUSINS	11lb-8oz	2	PLUG	418	2017-12-22	JAMES RIVER, VA	Grub
PERCH, YELLOW	DN NOLAND	1lb-2oz	2	SPIN	296	2018-02-15	PISCATAWAY CREEK, VA, VA	Grub

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DRUM, RED	R CHOI	53lb-0oz	20	FLY	441	2018-05-14	EASTERN SHORE, VA	Half and Half Fly
DRUM, RED	BL NOLAND	32lb-0oz		SURF	228	2018-05-13	HATTRAS POINT, NC	Tuna belly
SEATROUT, SPOTTED	LR ALLEN	5lb-11oz	8	SPIN	189	2017-12-22	CORROTOMAN RIVER, VA	mirrolure
TAUTOG	W MOSLEY	7lb-10oz	50BR	GEN	0	2018-04-22	CBBT, VA	Crab

## "Highest Point" Species Awards Freshwater

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BASS, LARGEMOUTH	DL NOBLES	5lb-8oz	8	GEN	146	2018-04-18	PRIVATE POND, VA	blue gill
BASS, STRIPED (HYB)	F COUSINS	4lb-7oz	4	SPIN	221	2018-05-01	CHEROKEE RES., TN	Topwater Plug
BASS, WHITE	F COUSINS	1lb-3oz	4	SPIN	127	2018-05-01	CHEROKEE RES., TN	Grub
BOWFIN	ROB ROBINSON	6lb-12oz	2	PLUG	337	2018-02-18	CHICK RIVER, VA	blade
CARP	J NIXON	15lb-8oz	6	FLY	403	2018-04-18	RICHMOND CITY, VA	Self tied topwater fly
CATFISH, BLUE	B SHEPHERD	31lb-0oz	4	GEN	330	2018-02-24	JAMES RIVER, VA	cut shad
CRAPPIE, ALL	R CHOI	1lb-12oz	2	GEN	224	2018-02-11	PISCATAWAY CREEK, VA	Minnow
GAR, ALL	F COUSINS	11lb-8oz	2	PLUG	418	2017-12-22	JAMES RIVER, VA	Grub
MUSKELLUNGE, ALL	R CHOI	19lb-0oz	20BR	GEN	115	2017-12-07	JAMES RIVER, VA	Hellhound Lure
PERCH, YELLOW	DN NOLAND	1lb-2oz	2	SPIN	296	2018-02-15	PISCATAWAY CREEK, VA, VA	Grub
PICKEREL, CHAIN	DL NOBLES	2lb-14oz	2	GEN	230	2018-02-21	CHICKAHOMINY LAKE, VA	minnow
SHAD, HICKORY	G ALVIS	2lb-4oz	2	FLY	321	2018-04-12	JAMES RIVER, VA	Shad Fly
SUNFISH	DL NOBLES	0lb-8oz	2	FLY	166	2018-04-18	PRIVATE POND, VA	golden retriever streamer
SUNFISH, REDEAR	DL NOBLES	0lb-12oz	2	FLY	150	2018-04-18	PRIVATE POND, VA	golden retriever streamer
TROUT, BROWN	J NIXON	3lb-8oz	6	FLY	156	2017-12-17	SOUTH HOLSTON RIVER, VA	Brown Prince nymph (gold beaded)
TROUT, RAINBOW	C CLEVINGER	4lb-12oz	4	SPIN	215	2017-12-21	BULL PASTURE, VA	Joe's Fly

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BLUEFISH	BL NOLAND	11lb-8oz		SURF	164	2018-05-18	CAPE POINT, NC	Tuna Belly
DRUM, RED	R CHOI	53lb-0oz	20	FLY	441	2018-05-14	EASTERN SHORE, VA	Half and Half Fly
POMPANO, COMMON	RN NOLAND	2lb-3oz		SURF	218	2018-05-19	FRISCO, NC	Sand flea
SEATROUT, SPOTTED	LR ALLEN	5lb-11oz	8	SPIN	189	2017-12-22	CORROTOMAN RIVER, VA	mirrolure



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PERCH, WHITE	J NIXON	0lb-4oz	2	FLY	83	2018-04-14	JAMES RIVER, VA	Shad fly
PERCH, YELLOW	SC LEE	1lb-2oz	4	SPIN	244	2018-01-26	PISCATAWAY CREEK, VA	Hair Jig
PICKEREL, CHAIN	A CONWAY	3lb-2oz	4	SPIN	229	2018-02-14	CHICKAHOMINY LAKE, VA	Bobby Garland Baby Shad Swimr
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### New Club Records Freshwater

Species	Name	Weight	Line	Division	Points	Date	Location	Bait
CATFISH, BLUE	W THOMPSON	13lb-0oz	8	PLUG	136	2018-02-18	CHICKAHOMINY RIVER, VA	Blade bait
MUSKELLUNGE, ALL	R CHOI	19lb-0oz	20BR	GEN	115	2017-12-07	JAMES RIVER, VA	Hellhound Lure
PICKEREL, CHAIN	J NIXON	2lb-12oz	8	FLY	165	2018-03-10	SWIFT CREEK RESERVOIR, VA	Black clouser with green flash

### Non-Local Award Fresh or Saltwater

Species	Name	Weight	Line	Division	Points	Date	Location	Bait
POMPANO, COMMON	RJ BROWN	2lb-8oz	4	SPIN	250	2018-04-13	IMPERIAL RIVER BONITA SPRINGS	Jig

### New Member Award

Species	Name	Weight	Line	Division	Points	Date	Location	Bait
CARP	J NIXON	15lb-8oz	6	FLY	403	2018-04-18	RICHMOND CITY, VA	Self tied topwater fly
PERCH, WHITE	J NIXON	0lb-4oz	2	FLY	83	2018-04-14	JAMES RIVER, VA	Shad fly
PICKEREL, CHAIN	J NIXON	2lb-12oz	8	FLY	165	2018-03-10	SWIFT CREEK RESERVOIR, VA	Black clouser with green flash
SHAD, HICKORY	J NIXON	1lb-4oz	2	FLY	178	2018-04-01	JAMES RIVER, VA	Purple Shad Dart
TROUT, BROWN	J NIXON	3lb-8oz	6	FLY	156	2017-12-17	SOUTH HOLSTON RIVER, VA	Brown Prince nymph (gold beaded)
TROUT, RAINBOW	J NIXON	3lb-6oz	4	FLY	191	2018-01-28	SOUTH HOLSTON, VA	Size 18 rainbow warrior

**Total** **1176**

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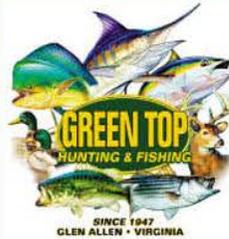
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