

CHUMLINE



Newsletter of the Peninsula Salt Water Sport Fisherman's Association



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The PSWSFA is a family-oriented fishing club established in 1957. Our meetings are held on the 3rd Tuesday of each month (March-Dec.) at 7:00pm. We meet at the Plumbers & Steamfitters Local Union 540, 7812 Warwick Boulevard, Newport News, VA 23607. The meetings are free and open to the public. Our meetings are a great place to swap stories with other local fishermen, find new fishing partners and plan trips together. We have raffles with nice giveaways-donated by local businesses. Each month we have speakers sharing their experience on one of the local fisheries. Come join us and get to know some of the other fishermen in your local area. Directions can be found at www.pswsfa.com/meetings.htm.

<u>Editor's note:</u> Apologies for the missing issues of the Chumline during the last two months. As the fishing season heats up, there will be plenty to report on for the next several issues. If you have announcements, fishing pictures or reports you would like to share with your fellow club members, please send them to me at the following email address pswsfa_chumline@cox.net.

Come join us this Tuesday, June 18th for the monthly meeting. Charles Southall will be sharing his knowledge on boating safety precautions. This is a really important topic as more boaters are on the water this time of year. Some of us are just getting our boats in the water for the first few times this year. It is always a good idea to remind ourselves to put safety first. This will be a good opportunity to hear some ideas that we may not have previously thought important.

The fishing started off really slow in the early months of the year. The winter weather wasn't much help. Things have gotten much better for those anglers that have been on the water for the last several weeks.

The red drum bite on the shoals was not as good as it has been in the past, but a handful of anglers had some really good trips. Many anglers have found the large schools of red drum as these fish move into the area.

Black drum were hungry and many anglers had really nice catches this year. A good number of the black drum were not the big tanks we have seen in previous years but there are plenty of juvenile fish to make for a fun trip

As the bay waters begin to warm, many species have started make there way onto the end of someone's line.

The early season cobia bite has been phenomenal, with some anglers boating upwards of twenty fish on one trip.

I have seen several reports of really nice sheepshead being caught while folks are fishing for drum.

Spadefish and spanish mackerel have shown up we are seeing more reports of these nice table fare fish.

There have also been a few reports of nice flounder catches along the CBBT.

Offshore action has been really good from Ocean City all the way down to Hatteras. Big-eye tuna have shown up in numbers that haven't been seen in years, with many boats coming to the docks with five or six of these large tunas. Anglers are competing with sharks to get these fish all the way to the boat.

Nice gaffer dolphin have been showing up in people's spreads for several weeks now. Many of our club members have had very successful dolphin trips.

Stay tuned.... hopefully the fishing will continue to get better as the summer season makes its way to the east coast.

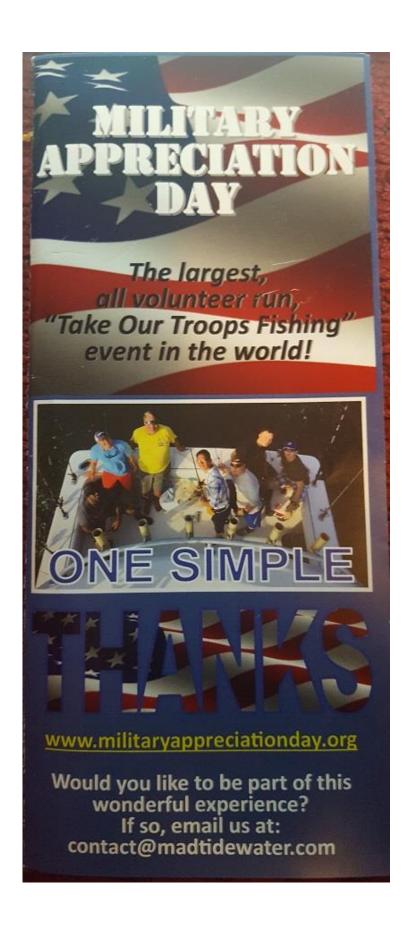
This last weekend had some really nice reports from the Norfolk Canyon with boats hitting the docks with nice yellowfin tunas, and gaffer dolphin. Some boats were also showing off release flags for both blue and white marlin

For Sale: Former club member Jack Lawson has many different size lead sinkers with brass swivels for sale at 18 cents/oz. Most of these are 12 and 13 oz with a handful of 14, 16 and 20 oz sinkers as well. Jack can be contacted at 757-771-0433

Upcoming RFAB meetings-open to the public:

7/8/19-5:30pm and 7pm 9/9/19-5:30pm and 7pm

Coming this August: Take our service men and women fishing. There are many ways to help. Go to the website on the flyer.



BRAGGING BOARD





Help fill this space up. Send your fishing pics to pswsfa chumline@cox.net

























As we eagerly look forward to spring, what better way to get ready for fishing season than checking out the Virginia Game Fish Tagging Program's (VGFTP) mobile ready platforms? Now, anglers who catch a tagged fish can easily enter their tagged fish's information such as number, species, date, location, length, and even choose their recapture reward.

Anglers can keep their eyes out for VGFTP target species such as black drum, black sea bass, cobia, grey triggerfish, red drum, spadefish, sheepshead, speckled trout, summer flounder and tautog. For more information about the Virginia Game Fish Tagging Program visit: www.vims.edu/vgftp/ and to report a tagged fish use:

https://www.vasaltwaterjournal.com/report tagged fish.php

Susanna Musick, VIMS



Monthly Tournament Awards

SPECIES	MIN. SIZE	ANGLER	LENGTH
Albacore Tuna	35 inches		
Amberjack	40 inches		
Bigeye Tuna	40 inches		
Black Belly Rose Fish	14 inches		
Black Drum	40 inches		
Blackfin Tuna	20 inches		
Bluefin Tuna	45 inches		
Bluefish	25 inches		
Blue Line Tile Fish	20 inches		
Blue Marlin	Release		
Channel Bass	40 inches		
Cobia	40 inches		
Croaker	16 inches		
Dolphin	35 inches		
False Albacore	25 inches		
Flounder	22 inches		
Golden Tile Fish	30 inches		
Gray Trout	24 inches		
Grouper	16 inches		
Jack Crevelle	36 inches		
King Mackerel	35 inches		
Pompano	12 inches		
Sailfish	Release		
Sea Bass	15 inches		
Shark	60 inches	Danny Wallace	65"
Sheepshead	15 inches		
Snapper	12 inches		
Spadefish	18 inches		
Spanish Mackerel	20 inches		
Spearfish	Release		
Speckled Trout	21 inches		
Spot	8 inches		
Striped Bass	36 inches		
Swordfish	Release		
Tarpon	Release		
Tautog	18 inches		
Triggerfish	15 inches		
Wahoo	40 inches		
White Marlin	Release		
Whiting (Roundhead)	14 inches		
Yellowfin Tuna	35 inches		

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Black Drum	40 inches	Dennis Wallace	48"
Blackfin Tuna	20 inches		
Bluefin Tuna	45 inches		
Bluefish	25 inches		
Blue Line Tile Fish	20 inches		
Blue Marlin	Release		
Channel Bass	40 inches	Dennis Wallace	52"
Cobia	40 inches		
Croaker	16 inches		
Dolphin	35 inches		
False Albacore	25 inches		
Flounder	22 inches		
Golden Tile Fish	30 inches		
Gray Trout	24 inches		
Grouper	16 inches		
Jack Crevelle	36 inches		
King Mackerel	35 inches		
Pompano	12 inches		
Sailfish	Release		
Sea Bass	15 inches		
Shark	60 inches		
Sheepshead	15 inches		
Snapper	12 inches		
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Spanish Mackerel	20 inches		
Spearfish	Release		
Speckled Trout	21 inches		
Spot	8 inches		
Striped Bass	36 inches		
Swordfish	Release		
Tarpon	Release		
Tautog	18 inches	Wally Veal	23.5"
Triggerfish	15 inches		
Wahoo	40 inches		
White Marlin	Release		
Whiting (Roundhead)	14 inches		
Yellowfin Tuna	35 inches		

If you need an entry form, you can download a copy from the club's website at http://www.pswsfa.com/MonthlyEntry.pdf

MAIL ENTRY FORMS TO:

MR. MILTON HUDGINS 1894 KATIE LANE HAYES, VA 23072

(e-mail: <u>judygee03@gmail.com</u>)

Month of Entry:	Deadline: (Board Mtg.)		
Jan.	Feb. 12		
Feb.	March 12		
March	April 9		
April	May 14		
May	June 11		
June	July 9		
July	Aug. 13		
Aug.	Sept. 10		
Sept.	Oct. 8		
Oct.	Nov. 12		
Nov.	Dec. 10		
Dec.	Jan. 14		



2019 PSWSFA TOURNAMENTS

Download "Official Entry Form" at

http://www.pswsfa.com/MonthlyEntry.pdf



FOR ALL TOURNAMENTS

You must register prior to fishing and use the official monthly form filled out by an official weigh station with time, date and weight of fish, & weight master's signature to verify catch. All Club Tournaments will have Awards for the first 3 places.

Questions Contact: Tournament Director Rick Wineman: rick@getanetsportfishing.com or 757-268-1539.

CLUB TOURNAMENTS

For Club Members: \$20 entry fee for each individual tournament or \$60 if you sign up for all tournaments at one time

Bishop's Triple Threat Tournament

Cobia – Channel Bass – Black Drum

"Combined total number of inches" April 1, 2019 through July 31, 2019

\$20/each member & \$30/each non-member
Leave from any port, no weigh in (length total of 3 fish)
Must Receive Completed Form no later than the Board Mtg. Aug.13, 2019
See Rules below for Catch and Release fish totals. (Witness or photo)

Don Forman Club Cobia Tournament sponsored by Bishop Fishing Supply

August 1-31, 2019

\$20/each member & \$30/each non-member Leave from any port

Must Receive Completed Form no later than the Board Mtg. Sept. 10, 2019

Grafton Fishing Supply Club Spot Tournament

September 21-22, 2019

\$20/each member & \$30/each non-member Weigh in: 2:00pm Sept. 22rd at Dare Marina All entries will be weighed using the same scale

followed by the Annual Club Picnic and Awards Ceremony for the Spot and Youth & Ladies Croaker / Flounder Tournaments

Spot Tournament - Two categories with 1st - 3rd place winners:

"ADULT ENTRIES" and "YOUTH ENTRIES"

(Anglers for the Spot Tournament must be present to win)
RSVP by Sept. 17th if you are coming to the Annual Club Picnic to the
Tournament Director

Wilcox Bait and Tackle Irv Fenton Rockfish Tournament

December 1-31, 2019

\$20/each member & \$30/each non-member

Must Receive Completed Form no later than the Board Mtg. Jan. 14, 2020

MAIL ENTRY FORMS TO: MR. MILTON HUDGINS, 1894 KATIE LANE, HAYES, VA 23072 (e-mail: judygee03@gmail.com)

Youth and Ladies Croaker/Flounder Tournament

July 1-31, 2019

Free Tournament for Lady and Youth members/Guests
(Do not need to register to participate)

Must Receive Completed Entry Forms no later than the Board Mtg. August 13, 2019

Awards will be given at the Annual Club Picnic on Sept. 22rd at Dare Marina
(Anglers for the Youth & Ladies Tournament are not required to be present to win)

RSVP by Sept. 17th if you are coming to the Annual Club Picnic to the Tournament Director

2019 PSWSFA Tournaments Rules

ALL Club Tournaments (Except as noted on front):

- Entry Fees: \$20 for member & \$30 for non-member. Youth and Ladies croaker/flounder tourney is free.
- You must register before fishing by e-mailing Rick Wineman: rick@getanetsportfishing.com or call 757-268-1539.
- Leaving a message will be sufficient to register, give all anglers names (specify club members and club guest), and also give a phone number.
- Guest(s) must fish with at least one member on boat/shore/pier/kayak
- Use a club "Official Entry Form" and weigh in fish at any Va. Saltwater Tournament official weigh station. Record the
 weight of fish, date and time caught and have the weigh master sign the form to verify catch. If two identical fish are
 caught on the same day, the earlier fish wins. That is why time is so important. Triple Threat entries require witness
 or photo since this is a length total tourney.
- All pertinent PSWSFA bylaws apply.

To register or ask questions, e-mail Rick Wineman, Tournament Director at rick@getanetsportfishing.com or call Rick @ 757-268-1539

MEASURING INSTRUCTIONS

With the fish lying on a flat surface, measure in quarter inch increments, from the tip of the mouth to the tip of the tail with the fish in a natural position and the mouth closed.



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PSWSFA 2019 MEMBERSHIP

Dues: \$30 per year for entire *family

(January through December - not prorated throughout year)

New Membership Renewal

	(Ple	ease Print)		cash check		
Name:	: Spouse:					
	Dependents	Names and	l Ages:			
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Boat Name/Call Sign: _						
Total number in your m	embership:	Please	check one of the following	ng:		
Send this form with a check (payable to PSWSFA) to:		Yes	Yes, please add my name to the club Membership Book			
PSWSFA		! No	. No places do not publish my information			

P.O. Box 5194

Newport News, VA 23605

__ No, please do not publish my information

***Don't forget to fill out a new membership form even if you are renewing an old membership or have already paid your dues for 2019. We are updating all our records and want to ensure accuracy of the information.

Attention Club Members:

To sign up and save 50% off a Boat U.S. membership, contact Gary Donaldson at garyd66@cox.net



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