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Newsletter of the Peninsula Salt Water Sport Fisherman's Association



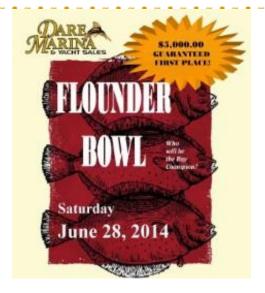
April 15th - Speaker: Wally Veal



Drum Fishing

Regular Membership Meeting - Guests Welcome

- Held 3rd Tuesday of the Month March through December 7:00 p.m.
- ♣ Plumbers & Steamfitters Local Union 540 7812 Warwick Blvd., Newport News, VA 23607
 - Across from Peninsula YMCA Directions: http://www.pswsfa.com/meetings.htm
 - Door Prize Raffle Ticket for All Attendees



The "Flounder Bowl" is back.

This year's tournament is scheduled for June 28 with a captains meeting June 27.

This event is a two-day party with a fishing tournament on the side. The Flounder Bowl is hosted by the Peninsula Salt Water Sport Fisherman's Association but it is the many businesses that sponsor this event which make it such a great time. These businesses are providing a guaranteed First Place award of \$5,000. They also make it possible to provide food, drink and music for participants at both the captains meeting and at the weigh-in. The sponsors provide for team buckets given out at the captains meeting and they are also providing various prizes which will be given away at the weigh-in. Each team will find door-prize tickets in their team buckets which will give them chances to win these prizes.

The Flounder Bowl will be held out of Dare Marina and Yacht Sales (www.daremarina.com). Boats will be allowed to fish from any port but the fish must be brought to Dare Marina for weigh-in.

This is a team tournament with an entry fee of \$200 per boat with up to 4 anglers (\$125 early entry). Additional anglers will cost \$25 each. Winners will be determined by the combined weight of the team's top three fish. Cash prizes will be paid through six places.

To give everyone a chance to win, teams not placing in the top six will be entered in a "Lucky Dog" drawing. The team drawn will win an additional cash prize.

There will be a prize for the heaviest flounder caught by a child and a prize for the heaviest flounder caught by a woman in the tournament. There will also be a prize for the heaviest flounder weighed in by a member of the Peninsula Salt Water Sport Fisherman's Association.

Teams will be given the option of entering a "Big Fish Calcutta" for an additional \$100 entry fee. This is a 100% payout to the team that has entered the Calcutta, which weighs in the single heaviest fish.

There will be a second optional "Stringer Calcutta" with a \$100 entry fee. This is a 100% payout to the team that has entered this Calcutta, which has the heaviest stringer weight.

There is a special Sponsors' Challenge Division where teams entered by the tournament sponsors will compete with each other for the special Sponsors' Trophy. The winning sponsor will get to keep this trophy until next year's tournament. Currently, the Sponsors' Trophy is in the possession of Just Plumbing.

There are a few things new for 2014. The tournament will be capped at 120 boats. Online registration is available and encouraged at www.flounderbowl.com. The "weather advisory" rule has been modified a bit. Instead of waiting to hear what the NOAA radio is saying at 5 AM the morning of the tournament, we will now use what is forecast at 5 PM the evening before the tournament. Basically, we will know for sure at the captains meeting if the next day is a fish day or not.

The 2013 Flounder Bowl had a total cash payout of \$16,750 plus sponsor donated merchandise prizes. The winnings are expected to be larger this year. This is your chance to fish with and against some of the best flounder anglers in the state. There will be food, drink, music, and multiple chances to win. Come on out and join the fun!

You can find the Flounder Bowl on Facebook and visit www.pswsfa.com and www.flounderbowl.com.

Sponsor support for this event is nothing short of fantastic! These businesses are going out of their way to make sure that the local fishing community has a good time. We encourage Flounder Bowl participants to support the sponsors who make this event possible.

Generous sponsor support has allowed the Flounder Bowl to support various worthy causes.

Flounder Bowl proceeds have been used to make donations to the Children's Hospital of the King's Daughters, the CCA, the RFA and to support the free Youth Fishing Clinic.

Sponsor donations were used to contribute to the medical fund for a young lady who required multi-organ transplants.

If you are interested in becoming a Flounder Bowl Sponsor, contact

Nelson Ortiz: (757) 812-0769 or Capt. Jorj Head: (757) 262-9004, jhead@ycsd.york.va.us





Atlantic Bluefin Tuna Angling Category Fishery: Southern Area Trophy Fishery Closing April 11, 2014

The National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) closes the Atlantic bluefin tuna (BFT) Angling category fishery for large medium and giant "trophy" BFT (measuring 73" or greater) in the southern area effective 11:30 p.m. local time, Friday, April 11, 2014, through December 31, 2014. The southern area is the area south of 39°18'N (off Great Egg Inlet, NJ) and includes the Gulf of Mexico.

Information from the NMFS Automated Landings Reporting System and the North Carolina Tagging Program indicate that the codified southern trophy BFT quota (2.8 mt) has been taken. Retaining, possessing, or landing large medium or giant BFT south of 39°18' N. lat. by persons aboard vessels permitted in the HMS Angling category and the HMS Charter/Headboat category (when fishing recreationally) must cease at 11:30 p.m. local time on April 11, 2014. The intent of this closure is to prevent any further overharvest of the Angling category southern area trophy BFT subquota. Catch-and-release fishing is permissible as described below. The annual Angling category trophy limit of one large medium or giant BFT per vessel remains in effect for vessels fishing in the northern area.

This closure applies to vessels permitted in the HMS Angling category and the HMS Charter/Headboat category fishing in the southern area, which includes the Gulf of Mexico. Please note, while this inseason action prohibits retention of large medium and giant BFT by persons aboard HMS Charter/Headboat category vessels while fishing recreationally, commercial retention of large medium and giant BFT on HMS Charter/Headboat category vessels is currently prohibited because the General category is closed until June 1, 2014. For more information on BFT fishing regulations, including recreational size and retention limits, please go to https://mseason.org/headboatcategory vessels is currently prohibited because the General category is closed until June 1, 2014. For more information on BFT fishing regulations, including recreational size and retention limits, please go to https://mseason.org/headboatcategory vessels are the fishing regulations, including recreational size and retention limits, please go to https://mseason.org/headboatcategory vessels are the fishing regulations, including recreational size and retention limits, please go to https://mseason.org/headboatcategory vessels are the fishing regulations.

Fishermen may catch and release or tag and release BFT of all sizes, subject to the requirements of HMS catch-and-release and tag-and-release programs. NMFS regulations require that all BFT that are released be handled in a manner that will maximize their survival, and without removing the fish from the water. For additional information on safe handling, see the "Careful Catch and Release" brochure available at www.nmfs.noaa.gov/sfa/hms/. This notice is a courtesy to BFT fishery permit holders to help keep you informed about the fishery. For additional information, call (888) 872-8862 or (978) 281-9260, or go to hmspermits.noaa.gov. Official notice of Federal fishery actions is made through filing such notice with the Office of the Federal Register.

The 2014 Anglers Club Challenge VININGS BAY POINT MARINA (AT LITTLE CREEK) Friday, August 8th (Captains Meeting) Saturday, August 9th (Fishing)



Free Fishing Days Try it, You'll Be Hooked June 6-8, 2014

June 6, 7, and 8, 2014 have been designated as **Free Fishing Days** in Virginia.



No fishing license of any kind will be required for rod and reel fishing in freshwater or saltwater, except in designated stocked trout waters, on these days. Access Permits will also be waived on Free Fishing Days for anyone fishing or with someone who's fishing.

Plan some time to go fishing and boating; take the family fishing and boating or learn to fish and boat!

See our Where to Fish section to get started!

Attention Charter Captains: If you are a paid dues member of the club and would like to list your charter service with the Chumline, please let of the board members know.



2005 Regulator 26FS w/Twin Yamaha 250's

GET ANET

Capt. Rick Wineman

Fishing areas range from all over the Chesapeake Bay, Coastal waters off the Eastern Shore down to Ocracoke

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MONTHLY TOURNAMENT AWARDS

January Winners

SPECIES	MINIMUM SIZE	ANGLER'S NAME	LENGTH	
Blackbelly Rosefish	14 inches	Wally Veal	16"	
Blueline Tilefish	20 inches	Wally Veal	26"	
Grouper	16 inches	Wally Veal	24 ½ ""	
Speckled Trout	21 inches	Eric Wynings	30"	
Tautog	18 inches	Wes Blow	25"	

February Winners

SPECIES	MINIMUM SIZE	ANGLER'S NAME	LENGTH	
Blueline Tilefish	20 inches	Wally Veal	24"	
False Albacore	25 inches	Wally Veal	28"	
Sea Bass	15 inches	Rick Wineman	22"	
Speckled Trout	21 inches	Wes Blow	31"	
Striped Bass	36 inches	Jody Linthicum	36"	
Tautog	18 inches	Steve Martin	29 ½ "	

Deadline for turning in your entry forms:

Month of Entry:	<u>Deadline by Mail</u> <u>or turn in at</u> <u>Board Meeting</u>	Monthly Club Meeting Dates:
Feb.	March 11	March 18
March	April 8	April 15
April	May 13	May 20
May	June 10	June 17
June	July 8	July 15
July	Aug. 12	Aug. 19
August	Sept. 9	Sept. 16
Sept.	Oct. 14	Oct. 21
Oct.	Nov. 11	Nov. 18
Nov.	Dec. 9	Dec. 16

Entry sheets can be downloaded from the club's forum's board. If you have any problems accessing the forums board, contact Gary Donaldson at gary66@cox.net and he will get you set up.

MAIL ENTRY FORMS TO:

MR. MILTON HUDGINS 1894 KATIE LANE HAYES, VA 23072

(e-mail: judygee03@gmail.com)or bring them to the meeting!



Hunter Southall & Ken Neill





Jody Linthicum, Stan Simmerman, Chris Boyce, Wes Blow, Ken Neill, Hunter Southall



Despite the rain,
approximately 70 interested recreational
anglers listened to a variety of speakers
at the Sportfishing Symposium.
Arranged by Chris Martin
the event was held
on Saturday, March 29, 2014
at VIMS.





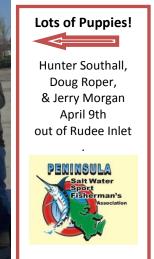






With the weather being so iffy lately, it's great that some folks were able to get out and have a little fun!







Tanner Hurst (pictured w/fishing guide) caught his first tarpon Monday, April 7th, out of Cudjoe Key, FL.
CONGRATULATIONS, TANNER!









PSWSFA 2014 MEMBERSHIP

Dues: \$30 per year for entire *family (January through December - not prorated throughout year)

New	New Membership		
Renewal			
cash	check		

(Please Print) Name: Spouse: Dependents Names and Ages: 2)______ 5)_____ _____ 6)____ *FAMILY – must be living with you Address: City:_____ State:____ Zip____ Home Phone: _____ e-mail: _____ Cell Phone: _____ Boat Name/Call Sign: _____ Total number in your membership: _____ Send this form with a check (payable to PSWSFA) to:

PSWSFA

P.O. Box 5194 **Newport News, VA 23605**



Late Breaking News...

RE: Speckled Trout Season Closed

Season is closed March 1, 2014 through July 31, 2014

Childrens Fishing Clinic Date & Location Changed

New Date: July 26, 2014 New Location: Buckroe Beach Fishing Pier

Links to Information & Resources...

PSWSFA Facebook Page:

https://www.facebook.com/pages/Peninsula-Salt-Water-Sport-FishermansAssociation/343865285718776?ref=hl

Flounder Bowl Facebook page:

https://www.facebook.com/pages/Flounder-Bowl/124271620922637?ref=hl

PSWSFA Club Webpage:

http://www.pswsfa.com

VA Marine Resources Commission:

http://www.mrc.state.va.us/whatsnew.shtm

The Recreational Fishing Alliance:

http://joinrfa.org/

VA Dept. of Game and Inland Fisheries http://www.dgif.virginia.gov/boating/

VA Institute of Marine Science:

http://www.vims.edu/

PSWSFA Members Only Forum:

For access contact Gary Donaldson: garyd66@cox.net

Gary supplies group # needed for 50% off annual membership.

A HUGE THANK-YOU To Ruth McCormick

For her help in providing information and guidance for the newsletter.

Her help is INVALUABLE!

KUDOS, Ruth, for a GREAT job!

A rest is well deserved!

Submit Newsletter items to Angie Smith:

angelaraysmith@gmail.com
cell: 757-870-6819

Suggestions/Corrections/Feedback Welcome!



2014 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 - Red Drum - Black Drum

"Combined total number of inches" April 1, 2014 through July 31, 2014

\$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 Aug.12, 2014
See Rules below for Catch and Release fish totals. (Witness or photo)

Grafton Fishing Supply Club Spot Tournament

September 27-28, 2014

\$20/each member & \$30/each non-member Weigh in: 2:00pm Sept. 28th at Dare Marina All entries will be weighed using the same scale followed by Picnic and Awards Ceremony Two categories with 1st – 3rd place winners:

"ALL ENTRIES" and "KID ONLY"

RSVP by Sept. 24th if you are coming to the cookout to Tournament Director

Don Forman Club Cobia Tournament sponsored by Bishop Fishing Supply

August 1-31, 2014

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

Must Receive Completed Form no later than the Board Meeting Sept. 9, 2014

Wilcox Bait and Tackle Irv Fenton Rockfish Tournament

December 1-31, 2014

\$20/each member & \$30/each non-member All entries due by January 13, 2015

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 12-27, 2014

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

 $6{:}00pm$ Picnic on July 27^{th} at Dare Marina, Awards Ceremony to follow

YOU HAVE TO BE AT THE PICNIC TO PICK UP YOUR PRIZE

RSVP by July 23th if you are coming to the cookout to Tournament Director

OPEN TO PUBLIC

PSWSFA/Dare Marina Flounder Bowl

First Place: \$5,000 guaranteed

Contact Nelson Ortiz Call (757)812-0769

Saturday, June 28, 2014

Lines in at 6:00am - Must be in the weigh-in line by 5:00pm \$125 per boat** (4 anglers per boat - \$25 each additional angler)

Boat entries only. No individual entries.

Optional Big-Fish Calcutta: \$100 per boat – winner take all Optional Heaviest String Calcutta: \$100 per boat – winner take all Sponsors Challenge Division \$250

**Early Bird Entry \$100. Deadline June 14th.

2014 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.
- "Awards" for Tournaments with a picnic, will be given out at the picnic. You must be present to receive
 your prize.
- You must register before fishing by e-mailing Rick Wineman: <u>rick@getanetsportfishing.com</u> 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 and trophy Reds are catch and release, and most Black Drum are also released.
- 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.



www.pswsfa.com



COOPERATING GROUP PROGRAM

As a member of Peninsula Salt Water Sport Fisherman's Association, Inc., a Cooperating Group with BoatU.S., you are invited to become a BoatU.S. Member at a special discounted rate:

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Existing BoatU.S. Members:

If you are not currently receiving the discount, please email **membership@boatus.com** or call **800-395-2628**. Mention the code BoatU.S. Coop # above.





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