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Newsletter of the Annapolis Chapter of the MSSA

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#### MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

It has been customary for the Annapolis chapter to suspend our usual monthly meetings during the summer months as many of our members spend time with their families and hopefully fit in a few fishing trips. The past few years we have reconvened in September with our annual crab feast. This year we met at Mikes Crab House on the South River and had a fantastic night of great food and fellowship. It was fun hearing all the summer fish tales. I would like to thank Mikes for treating us so well and I want to especially thank Larry Muscatello for organizing another highly successful crab feast. Thanks Larry!!

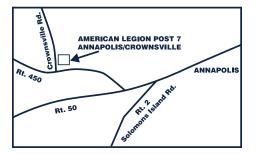
I hope everyone had a good summer of fishing. We are so fortunate to have the Chesapeake Bay with all of its rivers and tidal waters and the nearby Atlantic Ocean that produce so many different species, giving us the opportunity to try so many different styles and verities of fishing. Many of our members took advantage of our light tackle "summer fish" organized by Ron Schaefer where they live lined for rock and night fished for croakers while others were able to troll offshore for marlin or chunk for tuna. Many members also fished out of Ocean City on the Morning Star thanks to Lee Slagle's efforts. At the Annapolis chapter of the MSSA we have Captains and anglers that do it all. If you have an interest in any fishing style, come to our meetings held the third Wednesday of every month. Meet the guys and learn from our guest speakers, you'll be glad you did.

Please check the news letter for details on coming events. We have a lot going on this fall including the MSSA Fall Rock Fishing Tournament. I look forward to seeing you at our chapter meeting October 17 at 7:30 pm. Fish-em-up!

Bob Sheehan President

#### OCTOBER MEETING

The MSSA Annapolis Chapter October meeting is set for Wed., Oct. 17th at 7:30 pm at American Legion Post #7 at Rt. 450 and Crownsville Road in Annapolis. Our guest speaker is Captain Tom Hughes who will discuss light tackle fishing at the Chesapeake Bay Bridge Tunnel. Tom is a talented guide and provides an excellent presentation. We will also be joined by Gary from Spankin' Stripers Lures who will have a display of his lures for sale—all just in time for the fall season. Everyone is welcome!



# CRAB FEAST A BIG SUCCESS

The Annapolis Chapter of the MSSA held it's Crab Feast for 57 members and their guest on September 19th. Mike's Crab House did a great job for us again this year. The crabs were heavy, and the ribs were exceptional. Earl Macy won the heavy eater award, and would have set a restaurant record had time not run out. Thank you to everyone who supported the Crab Feast.

Larry Muscatello

#### 2013 SALTWATER FISHING EXPO

The SALTWATER FISHING EXPO will be held on Saturday Feb. 23rd from 8 AM to 3 PM at the Annapolis Elks Lodge. This event has grown into one of the most popular Winter Fishing Shows in this area featuring expert Seminar Speakers, Top Quality Tackle Dealers and local Charter Captains and Guides. Please mark your calendar and plan to attend this major fundraiser for the Annapolis Chapter.

Kevin McMenamin Saltwater Fishing Expo Chairman

### LOWER BAY FISHING UPDATE

Hi Anglers! We have been busy working on the Reel Relief getting it ready for the best fishing in the fall. This is when the Spanish leave and we have the schooling Stripers and Bluefish action. We can cast to them or jig them up with metal. Both ways are great action. The mornings depending on the winds have fish near the shore line and some up to 24 inches now. Yes we catch small ones also while trying to catch big Stripers but that is fishing.

Friday we tried an AM trip and found fish at Cedar Point in good numbers. Because of so many weekend boats we jigged our fish for about three hours before the fish went down with a changing tide. Trolling was better for some boats but the crazy patterns left no room to move on the fish. So we got in the middle of the school and worked up our catch.

On Saturday we tried a few locations on the structure but wanted more action, so back to the Point. Where we did well again until about 10 am and it was over. The Blues are heavy hitters and running about 3 pounds or more. Many of the Stripers are just undersize at 17 inches but lots of them.

What this next cold snap will do to those fish is anyone's guess. The Blues may head south and that leaves us with trolling to fish the Stripers.

Across the Bay are fish as well, down the Bay are more schools showing up when the they come up to feed. There are Trout caught jigging under those breaking schools, so jigging with a little finesse is called for here. Those Trout have soft mouths and you will pull the hook out easy. No Flounder to speak of yet, but the Perch are still biting. Red drum are getting bigger and some are at 18 inches and keeper.

That is what I know for now and will be fishing this Thursday with some Professional. Let's see how we do by day's end.

Looking for a fall trip, call now. I will be fishing the Reel Relief until Oct. 20th here in Solomons, then I will be moving it to Florida in November. I will be changing over to the Margie D which holds up to six anglers. It is a big 46 foot Bay Style craft with all the accommodations'. Costs more to operate but that heater and bathroom are great when it gets cold. So call for your fall date.

Life is short – fish often,

#### WACHAPREAGUE FISHING REPORT

I had the chance to go Offshore Fishing Sept. 28th with Captain Keith Neal on the TEASER along with Jeff Lee from Chincoteague and Dan Campbell from Bethesda. We left the dock at O Dark Thirty in an attempt to be out at the fishing grounds around dawn. We put lines in just past the 30 fathom line and headed east. Within an hour, the long rigger pops out of the clip and the drag starts to sing Fish ON. I grab the rod and come tight to a fish determined to swim to the horizon. Once Keith pulls back on the throttles and Jeff and Dan are clearing lines the fish changes its mind and heads for the boat. I crank as fast as I can to keep the line tight and call for more forward speed from the Captain. After about 5 more minutes of fighting the fish my suspicions are confirmed when a 25 lb. Wahoo surfaces near the back of the boat. Keith leaders the fish and Jeff sinks the gaff into the first Wahoo of the day. The fish is quickly dispatched into the box and lines are once again back in the water. About 30 minutes later, the port long rigger pops out of its clip followed by the port short rigger and then the starboard long rigger -3Fish ON. Dan, Jeff and I each grab a rod while Keith scrambles to clear the remaining rods. Jeff's fish is the first to come to the boat and Keith sinks the gaff into a 30 lb. Wahoo. Dan's fish is next and Keith sinks the gaff into another 30 lb. Wahoo. Then I bring my fish to the boat and Keith sinks the gaff into a 37 lb. Wahoo. The Triple Header has us all saying WAHOO as we ice down the fish and get the spread back in the water. Things are quiet for a long time as Keith keeps working the area when suddenly the long center (aka shotgun) pops from the clip and the drag screams. Jeff takes the rod and quickly realizes that he is hooked to a bigger class of fish. I strapped a kidney harness to Jeff and the reel lugs and Jeff puts the boots to this fish. In short order, a big Wahoo surfaces behind the boat. Keith leaders and I sink the gaff into a 55 lb. Wahoo. Our second citation Wahoo of the day! The rest of the day brought us one more Wahoo and two nice dolphin that were hanging out by a piece of 4x4 lumber floating on the surface. We finished the day with 6 Wahoo and 2 Dolphin (aka Mahi Mahi). It was another great day of late season offshore fishing on the TEASER in Wachapreague VA.

Kevin McMenamin



Pictured from left to right are Keith Neal, Kevin McMenamin, Jeff Lee, and Dan Campbell with a fine catch of Wahoo and Dolphin in Wachapreague VA.

# 31 FOOT 1994 DIESEL POWERED TIARA FOR SALE

Pete Abbott has listed his boat, TOMCAT, with John Kaiser at Yachtview Brokers in Harold Harbor. Many of you are familiar with this boat and her history of recently being repowered with Steyr diesels, a new generator, and full Furuno NaVNet2 navigation and ship control systems including autopilot, Sirius Weather System, and AirMar atmospheric instrumentation. Recent additions to improve engineering reliability and replacement of cockpit canvas and seat covers renders the boat in very good material condition. She has heat pump A/C and Heater, new entertainment system with iPod integration, and hot water, refrigeration and Vacuflush head. Asking \$89,900, the price approximates the cost of the recent major equipment (250 hp diesel engines, 3.5 KW diesel generator, and the Furuno, Simrad and ICOM electronics). She is fully fitted to fish competitively in the Bay and has proven herself capable of success in the ocean, placing 2nd in the 6 fish TWT in the 2012 TUNAMENT. If you are interested in the details of the listing, go to www.yachtview.com and look in the list of brokerage vessels. Questions should be directed to John Kaiser.



in April, 2011

### SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION NEWS

At the September meeting of the Board of Directors, several decisions were made to modify the format of the 2013 Sportsman's Raffle to expand the number of winners and to broaden the appeal of the prizes to a wider audience including women. We are in the process of soliciting prizes from a broad array of donors and will continue seeking prizes until we get near the drawing next May. Dave Smith has committed to getting tickets for a Ravens game and an Orioles game for us, and several charter captains, including Bruno Vasta (DOTTIE V), Randy Dean (BAY HUNTER), and Charlie Sisson (BACKDRAFT) have already agreed to take charter parties of 4-6 anglers out for a day in 2013. Each of these kind gifts become a PRIZE for the 2013 Raffle. We will draw as many winners as we have prizes. If we get 10 or 50 donations, we will match each one with a ticket. To increase the appeal of this raffle, tickets will be sold for \$5 each or 5 tickets for \$20. We expect to have tickets available before the Holiday Season with an initial Prize List to give early notice that this will be a worthwhile investment in a very good cause. All the proceeds of this Raffle will be used for scholarships to be awarded next summer.

I hope you will take a few minutes to give some thought as to whether you or someone you know may be in a position to make a tax deductible donation of a product or service that would be a suitable prize. Event tickets, gift certificates from restaurants and specialty stores, services from spas, health clinics, and personal care gifts like an auto detail come to mind as items that would be worth winning. We will have several fishing related prizes and I have several more prospects to contact over the next few weeks in this community. Send me an email or call me if you have any ideas or specific suggestions for other prizes we should seek out to add to our rapidly growing list.

Pete Abbott President, MSSA Scholarship Foundation abbottgru@aol.com 443 871 5342

### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

#### October

- 4-6 Mid-Atlantic Surf Fishing Tournament, Ocean City,MD
- Pasadena Sportfishing Group meeting at 7:30p.m., Earleigh Heights Fire Hall, Richey Hwy, Severna Park, MD. www.pasadenasportfishing.com
- 11-14 U.S. Powerboat Show. Annapolis City Dock. www.usboat.com
- 13-14 13th Annual Rocktoberfest Tournament, OC Bahia Marina (410) 289-7473 www.ocfishing.com
- 17 MSSA Annapolis Sportfishing Chapter Meeting, American Legion Post 7, Crownsville, MD at 7:30 pm. www.mssaannapolis.com
- West River Heritage Oyster Festival. 12:30 5:00 pm, Captain Avery Museum Shady Side (410) 867-4486 www.captainaverymuseum.org
- 22 CAPCA Meeting, Annapolis Elks Lodge #622, Edgewater. Social hour starts at 6:30 pm. Meeting starts at 7:15 pm. 'Crashing through the surf with the USCG' www.capca.net
- 26-27 Monster Rockfish Tournament, Bay Bridge Marina, Rod'N' Reel Dock, Breezy Point Marina, Calvert Marina and Point Lookout Marina. www.monsterrockfishtournament.com

#### November

- 2-4 18th Annual Rockfish Tournament, Colonial Beach Dockside Restaurant And Blue Heron Pub & CBVFD (804)224-8726 www.colonialbeach.org
- Fish for a Cure Fishing Tournament, Annapolis www.fishforacure.org
- Pasadena Sportfishing Group meeting at 7:30p.m., Earleigh Heights Fire Hall, Richey Hwy, Severna Park, MD. www.pasadenasportfishing.com
- MSSA Chesapeake Bay Fall Classic Captains Meeting, 6-8 pm at AllTackle 2062 Somerville Rd, Annapolis www.mssa.net
- 17-18 20th Annual Chesapeake Bay Fall Classic www.mssa.net
- 21 MSSA Annapolis Sportfishing Chapter Meeting, American Legion Post 7 Crownsville, MD at 7:30 pm. www.mssaannapolis.com
- 26 CAPCA Meeting, Annapolis Elks Lodge #622, Edgewater. General meeting starts at 6:30 pm. www.capca.net

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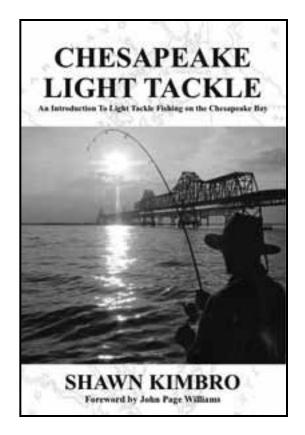














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