



THE HARBOUR LIGHT



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EVENTS IN AUGUST

BOARD MEETING: 04 AUGUST

7:30 P.M at the Community Center

MEMBERSHIP MEETING: 11 AUGUST

At the Community Center on Mill Creek Rd.

7:30 PM: Doors Open Early - Come Help Set Up.

7:45 PM: Meeting Starts With Club Business:

- Committee Reports
- Intro to VHFC Dinner
- Bluefish Fish of the Month Award
- 2006 Tournament Plans
- Introduction of Fluke & Sea Bass Tourney
- All-Present Fishing Discussion Break
- Speaker Capt. Adam Nowalsky Fishing for Sea Bass

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE by John Borick.

We are now experiencing the hot days of summer. In the bay fishing is three hours after sun rise, and three hours before sunset. I see a lot of individuals fishing the bay, coming back with no fish, only because they are starting out too late. Since I do not like to return in the dark, as it is difficult to follow one buoy marker to the next, without a GPS. The main secret about summer fishing in the bay is leaving the dock at first light. If you happen to hit the first three hours of the incoming tide or the first three hours of the outgoing tide all the better is your chance of catching fish. This does not pertain to ocean fishing, where the water is much deeper, and you are fishing over a wreck. If you like to spend some time on the water in the bay. Crabbing is excellent this time of year, and children love to crab, so do I. Clamming in the shallow water is a great idea for August, providing you have a clamming license, and a clamming rake. When you pick up your clamming license, you will receive a map, as to where to clam in the bay. Just remember to wear sneakers, as there are a lot of

sharp objects that careless individuals throw into the water.

We have an excellent speaker planned for our August general meeting. Captain Adam Nowalsky will be talking about, "Fishing for Sea Bass." Don't miss this seminar, if you fish the ocean wrecks, lumps, and rock piles.

Our Fluke and Sea Bass Tournament will be on August 26. Ed Wetmore and Bill Logan will be having a special barbeque after the tournament at Bill Logan home. Those of you who sign up for the tournament will be able to attend. This is a great way to make friends, to share and learn helpful fishing information, and get to know the members of the VHFC.

The big event of the year will be our August 18 yearly dinner dance. In the August issue of the newsletter, you will find the sign-up sheet for the dinner dance. If you are on vacation, and miss our general meeting, fill out the form along with your check, and mail it to the address shown. This will be a fun filled evening of food, music, dancing, and door prizes. Whatever you do don't miss this event.

The sea bass hands-on not only supplied the VHFC members with additional fishing knowledge, but Ron Nachmann supplied the club with filleting knives at an excellent price.

In the July issue we have included the VHFC membership address booklet for 2006. You may find members on your own block, or near by you street to go fishing. At this time I would like to welcome all of this year's new members. We are open to any suggestions you would like to share, as new members. If you are interested in being on the board, or would like to attend a board meeting, just contact one of the board members.

Whatever you do enjoy the summer, and don't forget to attend the general meetings.

2006 TROPHY FISH OF THE YEAR PROGRAM

by George Fruh

The same seven species will continue for our 2006 Trophy Fish of the Year Program.

Blackfish
Bluefish
Fluke
Sea Bass
Striped Bass
Weakfish
Winter Flounder

CURRENT STANDINGS

Winter Flounder	Bill Logan	2lb. 4oz.
Weakfish	Basil Dubrosky	2lb. 6oz.
Sea Bass	Bob Dodds	3lb. 10oz,
Striped Bass	John Kleban	29lb. 12oz.
Tog	Ron Nachmann	5lb. 13oz.
Blue Fish	Paul Galasso	14lb. 11.2oz.
Fluke	Steve Cook	5lb. 1.6oz.



Steve Cook's 5.2 lb Fluke Caught in ICW

Steve caught this fish on one of those lousy fishing days! On July 11th, the wind was blowing hard out of the southwest & the tide was going out so his boat stood still for about an hour. However, this Fluke wanted to join Steve & Margie for dinner!

2006 FISH OF THE MONTH AWARDS by George Fruh.

The winning Fish of the Month award for July goes to Paul Galasso for a 14 pound 11.2 ounce Blue he caught on July 3rd 7 miles south of the North Ridge. Vince Sibona caught the winning Fluke for June with a 2lb. 13 oz. fish.

2006 FISH OF THE MONTH by George Fruh

The same eight species will continue for our 2006 Trophy Fish of the Month Program:

March & April	Winter Flounder
May	Weakfish
June	Fluke
July	Bluefish
August	Sea Bass
September	Fluke & Croaker
October/November	Striped Bass & Bluefish

JCAA Fluke Tournament Report by Basil Dubrosky

The JCAA tournament was held on Saturday, June 10th. The weather was cold and windy with NW winds gusting to 30 MPH. Dave Sikorski and I headed out at 4:30 AM. We fished the bay around Barnegat Inlet in horrible wind and snot grass conditions. We arrived back at the dock at noon, totally drenched by the spray. To our surprise, only 9 fish were weighed in for the 10 port prizes at Fisherman's Headquarters. Dave Sikorski took 8th place. Dave has placed in this tournament 3 out of the last 4 years including one first place finish.

FISHING ON THE NORTH PLAT RIVER IN COLORADO by Bill Dabney

Attached are some photos from a fishing trip I took with my son in early July on the North Plat River

Nice Fish!





Trout!

July Fluke & Weakfish Tournament Results by Basil Dubrosky - The weather was hot and humid but the fish finally started to arrive on the scene for this July 29 event. Ray Williams took both Fluke and Weakfish prizes with a 3.05 pound Fluke and a 2.75 pound Weakfish. The Weakfish was caught in Marsholders Channel and the Fluke in Great Bay. Close behind Ray were Pete Figlia, Basil Dubrosky and Dave Sikorski. Everyone enjoyed the weigh in festivities and refreshments at American Sportsman. Thanks to American Sportsman for hosting us!



Tourney Chairman Presents Winning Money



The Winning Fish!

RECIPES & PICTURES NEEDED by Ray Williams. We need your pictures & recipes to publish in the newsletter. Share those pictures with us. Send your pictures to us at VHFCInfo@aol.com & we'll put them in the paper. If you have a story to go with the picture, that's even better. We're also looking for recipes to publish.

RECIPES FOR THE DISCRIMINATING COOK by John Borick

TWO CHEESE FLOUNDER ROLLS

- 1 pound of flounder fillet (4 pieces)
 - 1 egg beaten
 - 1/3 cup of Parmesan cheese
 - 3 tablespoons of yellow cornmeal
 - 3 tablespoons of flour
 - 1/2 tablespoons each, salt and pepper
 - 4 slices of American cheese
 - 2 tablespoons of margarine, melted
- Pat fillets dry on paper towels, then dip into beaten eggs. Combine Parmesan cheese, cornmeal, flour, salt and pepper. Turn fillets in mixture to coat. Position slice of American cheese on each fillet and roll, securing with toothpick. Place in greased baking dish and drizzle with melted margarine. Bake at 350 degrees in oven for about 20 minutes or until fish flakes easily with fork

JERSEY CLAM PIE by Flo Williams

- Pastry for two-crust pie
- 1/2 cup chopped onion
- 6 tbsp. butter
- 1/2 cup all-purpose flour
- 3 cups clam juice (save juice from clams)

4 cups chopped clams (chowder size)
5 oz. frozen peas
Chopped canned pimento
2 cups chopped potatoes

Prepare pastry

Cook onion in butter till tender. Blend flour, 1 tsp. salt, add all other ingredients. Cook until potatoes are tender then add pepper to taste. Pour into prepared pastry and bake at 450 degrees for 20 to 25 minutes.

IS FLUKE FISHING ALMOST OVER? By Dave Sikorski & Dick Vesper

The NMFS wants to reduce the total allowable landings (TAL) for fluke from the 23.6 million lbs the states were assigned in 2006, to 5.2 million lbs in 2007.

The effect in NJ will be that each of our approximately 800,000 Fluke anglers will be allowed to keep only 0.57 fluke for the entire year! Why, it's not because the fish are in danger of extinction, it's not because the fishery is over fished. In fact, the Fluke population has more than doubled to 112 million lbs, since 1993. It is because an arbitrary target of 204 million lbs of Fluke is not likely to be achievable by the year 2010 (as mandated by the 2000 revision of the Magnuson Stephens Act).

The NMFS, which has previously lost a lawsuit to environmentalists over not meeting fisheries targets, is pushing for this TAL reduction to avoid another lawsuit.

Unfortunately, the real losers will be the Fluke anglers and the businesses and workers that depend on this fishery.

Your favorite Bait and Tackle shop could easily be sold to land developers for conversion to Condos.

The VHFC Regulatory Committee will provide additional information as we get any. In the meantime, we are helping JCAA in launching one or more initiatives to counter this serious threat.

We will probably be sending you all a sample letter and a request that you send it to one or more of your Government representatives - to be named with the request.

BOATING GEAR FOR SALE by Ray Williams. If you placed these ads, please note expiration dates & let us know if you wish to continue ads.

1. 1997 GSI SEA DOO Jet Ski. Rebuilt in 2004 Runs great \$1,000.

Attwood Ballistic stainless prop for Mercury engine 3 blade 14 3/4" 17 pitch \$100.

Call John at 609-597-5383

2. Car Top boat launcher Call Joe at 609-971-3666

FISHING WITH CLUB MEMBERS

(These ads expire 08/01/06; unless owners renew)

1. Jerry, a newly retired club member, is looking for someone to fish with any day of the week. Will share expenses. Call Jerry Papp at 609-812-1432.

2. Bill Jann, a member with a great bay boat, is looking to go outside with someone with a bigger boat. He offers to help defray costs. Contact Bill at 856-786-8999 or wjann@voicenet.com.

PLACE YOUR AD HERE. IT'S FREE!

AUGUST SPEAKER by Bill Dabney

Our speaker for Aug 11th is Capt. Adam Nowalsky from the Karen Ann II charter; he will speak on sea bass fishing. He specializes in this type of fishing out of Great Bay Marina.



Village Harbour Fishing Club's

August 26th 2006

August Fluke & Sea Bass Tournament

This fishing event is open to all active members, co-members, & junior anglers (2006 dues paid) with or without boats. Entry Fee is \$10 per angler & all entry fees will be distributed as prizes. We are asking all participating boats **to fly our flag** so we can identify each other and aid one another as needed.

Entries: Prizes will be awarded at the September VHFC meeting. We need you to sign the sign-up sheet and thereby acknowledge your understanding of the rules and responsibilities to qualify for the event.

Prizes: One half of the total entry fees will be awarded for each of the heaviest keeper Fluke and Sea Bass. In case of equal weights, the longer fish will win. Identical fish will split the prize money for that species. If only one species is caught, then prizes for 1st & 2nd size fish will be awarded. Entered fish must comply with current NJ regulations. Soft drinks and refreshments will be available at Bill Logan's House 70 Howard Drive Beach Haven West starting at weigh in till 5 PM.

VHF channel 72 is the day's communication channel. Hail VHFC members on # 9 and switch to #72

Fishing Time: 6:30 AM-2:00 PM on August 26th

Fishing Area: North/South Bays and all Ocean Waters

Chairman: Ed Wetmore & Bill Logan

Schedule Weigh In: Weigh-ins will be done at Bill Logan's House, 3-3:30 PM sharp.

Prize Awards: Prizes will be awarded at the September VHFC meeting.

SIGN UP SHEET

Signed entries with entry fees can be mailed to VHFC, P.O. Box 1026, Manahawkin, NJ 08050 or presented at meetings and must be received by the August 25th in order to complete final arrangements.

- Formal participation includes a commitment to hold harmless the Village Harbour Fishing Club, Inc, its officers and directors for any damage or injury, which may result from participation in this event.
- Each Captain is responsible for the safety of his or her boat and all the people aboard.
- Village Harbour Fishing Club, Inc. does not inspect the boats or assess the training and experience of the Captain or crew.
- Each Captain is responsible for all the decisions regarding the safe operation of their vessels, including the decision to leave the dock.
- Event dates are scheduled well in advance of any weather forecast. Conditions necessary for safe operation are different for different vessels and Captain and crew experience levels. The Captain of the participating vessel who signs this entry form agrees to take full responsibility for all decisions affecting the safe operation of his vessel and agrees to indemnify and hold the club harmless from any claims made by anyone affected by the operation of the Captain's vessel.

Captain's Name: _____ Signature _____ Date _____

Boat Name: _____ Captain's Phone # _____

Crew Names

Signatures

Date

_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____



The Annual VHFC Dinner Dance

- The Cost - \$25 per person (Tax and gratuities included)
- The location- Ocean Acres Golf Club
- The Date and Time- Friday August 18, 2006: 7:30PM-10:30PM
- Dancing to the 50's and 60's music performed by "The Prescriptions"
- The Menu:
 - Tossed Salad with Blue Cheese or Vinaigrette
 - Melon with Prosciutto
 - Vegetables: Asparagus & Duchess Potato
 - Entrees: Any one of the following:
 1. Prime Rib,
 2. Chicken In Puff Pastry , or
 3. Broiled Seafood Combo (Includes shrimp, scallops and flounder)
 - Dessert - Banana Foster, Coffee, Tea
 - Door Prizes
- Reservations accepted no later than August 10th

DIRECTIONS: Rt. 72 West (under parkway). Pass 1st traffic light & make a right onto the next street; Lighthouse Rd. Stay on Lighthouse for about 1 1/2 miles to Buccaneer Rd. turn right onto Buccaneer for mile. Ocean Acres Country Club is about 2/10 mile on the right.

 Complete the following form &, with your check payable to VHFC, mail it to:

VHFC, PO Box 1026, Manahawkin, NJ 08050

RESERVATIONS ACCEPTED NO LATER THAN AUGUST 10TH

Please Print: **Member Name:** _____

Tel.#: _____

ENTER BELOW THE NUMBER OF DINNERS YOU WANT FOR EACH OPTION:

SEAFOOD: ___ **CHICKEN:** ___ **PRIME RIB: WELL** ___ **MEDIUM** ___ **RARE-**

TOTAL # PERSONS _____

TOTAL AMT. PAID \$ _____

2006 Village Harbour Fishing Club, Inc. Meeting and Events Schedule (Revised 8/2/06)

<p align="center">April 14 2006</p> <p>Fish of the Month: Winter Flounder 7:45 APRIL 14:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Club business ➤ 2005 Awards Presentations for 7 "Trophy Fish of the Year" & for the Oct & Nov Fish of the Month ➤ Intro - Surf Tournament ➤ All Present - Fishing Discussion ➤ Speakers: Joe Campisano & Matt Lees 	<p align="center">May 12 2006</p> <p align="center">-DUES ARE DUE BY MAY 12-</p> <p>Fish of the Month: WEAKFISH 7:45 MAY 12:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Club business ➤ W. Flounder FoM Award ➤ Update - Surf Tourney ➤ All Present - Fishing Discussion ➤ Mel Boytos, Fisher Queen Charters, Fishing for fluke, weakfish and stripers with artificals and Gulp baits. 	<p align="center">May 6th</p> <p align="center">SURF TOURNAMENT</p> <p align="center">Chairmen: John Borick Roland Dixon Basil Dubrosky</p> <p align="center">Entry Form in this issue</p>
<p align="center">JUNE 9 2006</p> <p>Fish of the Month: FLUKE 7:45 June 9:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Club business ➤ Weakfish Fish of the Month Award ➤ Intro to North & South Bay Fishing Tourney ➤ Hands-On Fluke & Weakfishing ➤ All Present - Fishing Discussion ➤ Flea Market 	<p align="center">June 17th</p> <p align="center">NORTH & SOUTH BAY FISHING TOURNAMENT</p> <p align="center">Chairman: Ron Nachman</p>	<p align="center">JULY 14 2006</p> <p>Fish of the Month: BLUEFISH 7:45 July 14:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Club Business ➤ Fluke Fish of the Month Award ➤ Report -N. & S. Bay Fishing Tourney ➤ Intro-Fluke & Weakfish Tourney ➤ Intro to VHFC Dinner ➤ All Present - Fishing Discussion ➤ Hands-On Sea Bass Rigs
<p align="center">JULY 29TH</p> <p align="center">FLUKE & WEAKFISH TOURNEY</p> <p align="center">CHAIRMAN: BASIL DUBROSKY</p> <p align="center">Species: Fluke & Weakfish</p>	<p align="center">AUGUST 11 2006</p> <p>Fish of the Month: SEA BASS 7:45 Aug. 11:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Club business ➤ Bluefish of the Month Award ➤ Report Fluke & Weakfish Tournament ➤ All Present - Fishing Discussion ➤ Speaker Capt. Adam Nowalsky <p>Fishing for Sea Bass</p>	<p align="center">AUGUST 18TH</p> <p align="center">VILLAGE HARBOUR FISHING CLUB DINNER</p> <p align="center">CHAIRMEN: Bill Logan & Ed Wetmore</p>
<p align="center">August 26th</p> <p align="center">FLUKE & SEA BASS TOURNEY</p> <p align="center">CHAIRMEN: ED WETMORE & BILL LOGAN</p> <p align="center">Species: Fluke & Sea Bass</p>	<p align="center">SEPTEMBER 08 2006</p> <p>Fish of the Month: FLUKE & CROAKER 7:45 Sept. 08:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Club business ➤ Sea Bass Fish of the Month Award ➤ Report - Fluke & Weakfish Tournament ➤ All-Present - Fishing Discussion ➤ <u>Hands-On Surf Fishing</u> 	<p align="center">October 13 2006</p> <p>Fish of the Month: Striped Bass & Bluefish 7:45 Oct. 13:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Sept. Fish of the Month Award ➤ Report on Fluke & Sea Bass Tournament ➤ All Present - Fishing Discussion

Monthly meetings are 2nd Fridays starting promptly at 7:45 PM. Doors open at 7:30 – Come early and help us get set up.

No Membership Meetings are planned for the months of November through March.

**The following have offered a discount with the presentation of current VHFC Membership Card
Discounts normally do not apply to items that are fair traded or items on sale**

<p>FISHERMAN'S HEADQUARTERS Causeway, Ship Bottom, NJ 494-5739 10% discount on bait & tackle</p>	<p>BOBBIES 7th & Bay Ave., Barnegat Light, NJ 494-1345 10% discount on bait & tackle</p>	<p>TIP'S HARDWARE West Creek, NJ 296-3192 10% on bait, tackle & supplies</p>
<p>THE CHUM BUCKET BAIT & TACKLE 381 Rte. 9, West Creek, NJ 294-2500 10% discount on bait & tackle</p>	<p>CAUSEWAY BOAT RENTALS On the LBI Causeway 494-1371 10% discount on bait and tackle.</p>	<p>GALLIVANT GRAPHICS BOAT LETTERING We come to you ---- 10% off for members 609-812-9883</p>
<p>AMERICAN SPORTSMAN BAIT & TACKLE Mill Creek Plaza 597-4104 10% discount on bait & tackle</p>	<p>THE BOAT SHOP 756 E. Bay Ave., Manahawkin, NJ 597-1271 10% discount on regular prices</p>	<p>BARNEGAT LIGHT BAIT & TACKLE Bay Avenue & 15th St., Barnegat Lt. 494-4566 10% discount on bait & tackle</p>
<p>FIRST BRIDGE MARINA & KAYAKS 500 Great Bay Boulevard, Tuckerton 296-1888 10% discount on bait & tackle</p>		<p>BOAT U.S. VHFC members only pay \$12.50 for a year of Boat U.S. Forms for members' use will be at VHFC meetings or call Charlie Kochka</p>

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