



HARBOUR LIGHT

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OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF THE VILLAGE HARBOR FISHING CLUB

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NEW MEETING PLACE

Bay Avenue Community Center

775 E. Bay Ave., Manahawkin.

Doors open at 7:30 PM

Parking is in back.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hi everyone,

I hope all of you live long enough to see my reincarnation; I'm coming back as a highly paid meteorologist and I will look like Mad Magazine's Alfred E. Newman. You'll get that wide-gap toothy grin and a wink after every "major event" weather forecast, just letting you know that I don't know what the hell I'm talking about, but still making the BIG bucks passing on the bunk!

After having had my bulkhead replaced last week, I was sort of looking forward to the forecasted rain to help settle in the sand and muck in my back yard so that I can get new

stone put in next month. Plus, we really need some rain for all the usual reasons. What did we get? NADA! I'm glad Hermine was not a major event and NJ didn't suffer damage, but come on, at least get close!

We've got the annual VHFC dinner on September 17, 2016 at Villaggio's. It is always nice to socialize with club members and their spouses, have a nice meal, consume a little joy juice and hear some of the most outlandish tales that few would have the courage to try tell at a sober club meeting. Sign up this Friday at the meeting – just \$36.00 per person – BYOB.

There has been a lack luster response from our members to holding an auction during the November meeting. I'll ask again at this Friday's meeting and determine if we should have it or wait until next year after we all have some more time to develop a need by breaking stuff and, or to accumulate more good stuff to auction off.

The lagoons and creeks all along Barnegat Bay are absolutely filled with peanut bunker. The gulls are gorging themselves; I've even seen a mallard duck with one in its bill – hadn't seen that before! Hopefully all of this bait will produce a great Fall

fishery in the bay like we experienced in 2010 & 2011. Striper fishing was fantastic those two years with plenty of 30"+ bass just a short run from home!

Looking forward to seeing you Friday,

Dave

EVENTS IN September and October

BOARD MEETING: September 2 and October 7

September 17, 2016 – VHFC Annual Dinner at Villiaggio's

7:30 P.M at the **Bay Avenue Community Center**

725 Bay Avenue
Manahawkin, NJ

MEMBERSHIP MEETING: September 9 and October 14

At the **Bay Avenue Community Center**

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

7:45 PM: Meeting Starts With Club Business:

- _ Committee Reports
- _ 8:00 pm Guest Speaker Capt. John Lewis
- _ All-Present Fishing Discussion Break

This month's speaker

This month's speaker is Dante Soriente, MagicMann Guide service, and owner Magic tail bucktails- will discuss Shark fishing,

Last months speaker was Capt. John Lewis Thanks for a very informing presentation.

Come on - Come All

Village Harbour Fishing Club Dinner

VHFC will be our annual Dinner on Saturday, September 17, 2016 at 6:00PM At Villaggio

100 McKinley Avenue, Manahawkin, NJ 08050

Menu choices must be sent in and paid for by September 9th, 2016. Send payment and form to: VHFC, PO Box 1026, Manahawkin, NJ 08050 or bring it to the next club meeting and pay Vince Sibona. Bring your wife, husband, friend, significant other for a night of good food and great fun.

See attachment Flyer.

ANY THOUGHTS TO A FALL SURF STRIPER TOURNAMENT!

Give us your opinions. We want to hear from you!

VHFC Tournament Standings

Fish of the Month Leaders 2016

March/April WINTER FLOUNDER	No Entries		
May Striped Bass	No Entries		
June Fluke			

July Bluefish			
August Fluke & Seas Bass			
September Sea Bass & Weakfish			
October Bluefish & Stripe Bass			
November Bluefish & Stripe Bass			

2016 TROPHY FISH OF THE YEAR

Trophies will be awarded to the anglers catching the largest fish in each of the following species

Winter Flounder	No Entries
Blackfish	Striped Bass
Weakfish	Fluke
Bluefish	Dave Spendiff 17 lbs 10 oz.
Fluke	Fluke
Seabass	Sea Bass & Weakfish
Stripe Bass	No Entries

The same seven species will continue for our

2016 Trophy Fish of the Year Program.

The rules are simple: you have to catch a fish of the above species, take it to one of our official weigh stations to have it weighed and recorded on our official weigh-in forms. If you have weighed in the largest fish of a particular species for the calendar year 2015 then you win the FOY trophy for that species. **Note:** your dues have to be paid before you catch an eligible fish. .Go to our website for more information.

(<http://vhfishingclub.com/conteststournaments/vhfc-standings/>)

**Regulatory & Legislative Report
September, 2016**

There is not report this Month

IN THE Reading Room

Check out the Books and DVD at the meeting

by

Bill Dabney

If you borrowed anything from our library over the winter, please make sure to return it at the next meeting so that other members may enjoy our library collection.

OLD FISHING BOOKS WANTED

Bill Dabney has accumulated some very good books & videos for our library but we will gladly accept any donations if you have fishing or boating books or videos you would like to donate to our library. If you have something, either bring it to a meeting or call Bill at 978-6893 to make arrangements for us to get your book or video.

Take a look at the new additions to our library

Boat US also have their publications on line. There you can find back issues. Go to

[:http://www.boatus.com/magazine/archives/default.asp](http://www.boatus.com/magazine/archives/default.asp)

But you will also need your Member number to access them



Boat Owners Association of The United States

(Vessel Safety)

Jeff Orsoe

It seems that the area has dodged the bullet on another potential storm this past weekend. I will be returning from Florida this weekend. Last week my wife and I were on the Gulf coast and even though "Hermine" was a tropical storm for most of the week, IT JUST SEEM TO Hang Around. It just ended any plans of fishing and enjoy the Gulf Coast. From the reports that I have heard, the LBI area has seen pretty much of the same. On that note, I found the following article that I thought would be of interest from the BoatUS website entitled "Storm Prep, Day by Day" just follow the link.

Storm Prep, Day By Day

By Tim Murphy

A hurricane or other major storm brings four threats — wind, rain, waves, and surge — and you can improve your boat's odds against all four by preparing early.

<http://www.boatus.com/magazine/2016/august/storm-prep.asp>

The second piece that I wish to share with everyone is another piece that deals with "Swamping" With Striper Season upon us along with the possibility of treacherous or dicey water a few tip is not going to hurt any of us. GO to:

Avoiding Capsizing And Swamping

A study of five years of capsizes and swampings reveals how they happen and what you can do to avoid them.

<http://www.boatus.com/seaworthy/magazine/2016/august/avoiding-capsizing-and-swamping.asp>

Finally I was looking at some of the other links and articles when I came across the link if frequent ask questions. Inside this like was a question regarding the various towing packages and explained the difference between them. While it may be too late for this year, I may make a difference with the level you choose next year.

Towing FAQs:

<http://www.boatus.com/towing/faq.asp>

T-Shirts are still Available

VHFC T- shirts will be available at all meetings. The cost is \$18. Please see Vince to purchase yours while supplies last. T shirts may also be purchased by mail.

Please send a check for \$23 which includes shipping to: VHFC, P.O. Box 1026, Manahawkin, NJ 08050.

These shirts are very nice & are being sold at cost



I encourage everyone to go to the RFA website at (www.joinrfa.org) . Along with the current information that is on the website. They also put out a quarterly publication call "Making Waves". The latest issue that is on the site can be located at:

http://issuu.com/recreationalfishingalliance/docs/spring_2015_making_waves/1

Take a look at it.

Taken from the RFA Website



As I mentioned earlier that I have been in Florida, we took a ride on one of our rainy days over to Dania, Florida to visit the IGFA. While the museum itself has been moved to Springfield , Missouri, the headquarters has remained in place. I had taken my scale to them to be certified and spoke with Jack as he was doing the calibration. Surprisingly , he had remembered from my last trip down and we began discussing the happenings since the move of the museum. The subject had gotten onto the subject of the "School of Sportfishing" which had been offered at the headquarters. I inquired into the future of the school. The

response is that is kind of on hold as they are looking at various options. One of them is to take the school on the road. Maybe they might do a class on Stripers up here? Who knows, just a thought. And yes, All of my Boga Scales got recertified. Then it was on to the Islamorada Restruant for a lunch/dinner, followed by a trip into BassPro.

With the Striper season approaching , knowing that many of us will be trolling spoons and whatever, I came across the following item regarding Trolling and Bait and thought that it may peak some interest.

Please go to :

IGFA - Trolling Speed and Bait Position

<https://www.igfa.org/About/Trolling-Speed-and-Bait-Position.aspx>

FISHING REPORTS

I suggest that you look at the VHFC webwsite at <http://www.vhfishingclub.com> to catch up club news and fishing reports.

MONTHLY HANDS ON

Estimating Monofilament Backing When Using Braided Spectra

This following piece could have easily been place under the IGFA report as I found this on their website. There has been talk of using a monofilament line backing when using a braided line as your main line. Follow the link to t

He page to see how it is done and how much to use.

<https://www.igfa.org/About/Estimating-Monofilament-Backing-When-Using-Braided-Spectra.aspx>

Let me know if you want to help out or just stop by if you have any fishing questions.

CLASSIFIED ADS by Jeff Orsoe

Classified ads may be placed free of charge by any club member for non-commercial fishing related items. Please contact Jeff Orsoe via email at jorsoe786@comcast.net to place your ad. if you wish to place a free ad.

.FISHING WITH CLUB MEMBERS

Members may place free ads in this section if you wish to find someone to fish with. Maybe you need to find someone with a boat or you are interested in finding someone to share expenses on your boat.

What's This KNOT?

A new column is being started with this month's issue entitled "What's This KNOT". Each month issue will highlight a fishing knot and how to tie it. This month We are taking a link from Fly Fishing in Salt Water. The second is a repeat from last month for those that may have missed it. It can also be found at the IGFA web-site.

If any one wishes to see a particular knot featured, simply send me an email at jorsoe786@comcast.net and I will put it in the newsletter.

BUY, SELL or TRADE

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OFFICIAL VHFC WEIGH-IN STATIONS

As of this time, we have 8 official weigh-in stations. More are in the process of being added. If you know of tackle shop that may become a club sponsor and also become a weigh station, forward that to a member of the board. The two sponsors are both Club Sponsors & offer VHFC members nice discounts: The 3 Weigh Stations are:

Fisherman's Headquarters, Ship Bottom

American Sportsman Bait & Tackle, Mnahawkin

Bill's Surf and Tackle, Harvey Cedars

Captains Quarters Bait & Tackle, Brighton Beach

Creekside Outfitters, Waretown

Jingles Bait & Tackle, Beach Haven

West Creek Bait & Tackle, West Creek

Viking Outfitters, Historic Viking Village

CALENDAR

MEETING DATES

Board Meeting **Friday, 1 April, 2016**

Club Meeting **Friday, 8 April, 2016**

Board Meeting **Friday, 6 May, 2016**

Club Meeting **Friday, 13 May, 2016**

Board Meeting **Friday, 3 June, 2016**

Club Meeting **Friday, 10 June, 2016**

Board Meeting **Friday, 1 July, 2016**

Club Meeting **Friday, 8 July, 2016**

Board Meeting **Friday, 5 Aug, 2016**

Club Meeting Friday, 12 Aug, 2016

Board Meeting Friday, 2 Sept, 2016

Club Meeting Friday, 9 Sept, 2016

Board Meeting Friday, 7 Oct, 2016

Club Meeting Friday, 14 Oct, 2016

Board Meeting Friday, 4 Nov, 2016

Club Meeting Friday, 11 Nov, 2016

Board Meetings are open to any members wishing to attend/

Reminder: New Meeting Location

Bay Avenue Community Center

775 E. Bay Ave., Manahawkin

USEFUL INFORMATION LINKS

Boat/US:

<http://www.boatus.com/>

United States Coast Guard Auxiliary:

<http://www.cgaux.org/>

Notice to Mariners (District 5)

<http://www.navcen.uscg.gov/?pageName=InmDistrict®ion=5>

Fisherman's Headquarters:

<http://www.fishermansheadquarters.com/>

The Boat Shop:

<http://theboatshoponline.com/>

The Bass Barn:

<http://www.thebassbarn.com>

Barnegat Fishing Hole:

<http://www.barnegatfishinghole.com/ubbthreads/ubbthreads.php>

Animated Knots

<http://www.animatedknots.com/>

Vessel Safety Checks

Vessel Safety Checks: Call Jeff Orsoe @ 732-672-5530 and leave a message or email him at jorsoe786@comcast.net

DEADLINE FOR NEXT ISSUE IS:
30 October 2016

at jorsoe786@comcast.net

Our Sponsors: 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



10% discount on bait & tackle

American Sportsman LLC *Bait and Tackle*

Hunting, Fishing, Crab and Shellfish

857 Mill Creek Rd



609-597-4104

Manahawkin, NJ 08050



David Kelton

10%

discount on bait & tackle

BRASWELL TROPHY & ENGRAVING

Ken Braswell, Owner

618-1744

10% Discount to VHFC Members

BOAT U.S.

VHFC members only pay \$9.50 for a year of Boat U.S. Forms for members' use will be at VHFC meetings

Or call Jeff Orsoe 732-672-5530

CAUSEWAY BOAT RENTALS

On the LBI Causeway

494-1371

10% discount on bait and tackle



www.theboatshoponline.com

10% discount on regular prices

GALLIVANT GRAPHICS

BOAT LETTERING

We come to you ---- 10% off for members



609-812-9883

BILLS SURF AND TACKLE

6332 Long Beach Blvd, Harvey Cedars

609-342-1372

15% discount on everything in the shop, EXCEPT FUEL AND OILS. Present VHFC card before purchase

BOAT & ENGINE PARTS / SERVICE / REPAIRS



Boat Slips & Storage • Boat Hauling • Mobile Service
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460 Dock Road • West Creek, NJ 08092
"Honest Work For-a-Fair Price"

10% Discount

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SALES/RENTALS
RECREATION/FISHING
224 MAIN STREET (ROUTE 9)
WEST CREEK, NJ 08092
Phone: 609-296-3030
Fax: 609-296-8030
Email: westcreekkayakandcanoe@comcast.net

10% Discount

Viking Outfitters

W 19th and Bayview, Historic Viking Village

609-361-9111

609-389-3647

10% Discount