

## HARBOUR LIGHT

#### **OFFICIAL VHFC NEWSLETTER May 2024**

Editor: Ed Valitutto VHFC Website: http://www.vhfishingclub.com

# VHFC meets the second Friday of each month from April through November

Location: Manahawkin Community Center

775 East Bay Ave Manahawkin, NJ

Doors open at 7:00; Meeting begins at 7:15 PM

Next meeting: 10 May 2024

#### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

#### Hälsningar från Sverige!

That means "Greetings from Sweden" and I have no clue how to say it! My wife and I have been enjoying a Scandinavian holiday since April 24, starting first in Denmark, then a week in Norway and now we are in Stockholm, Sweden returning home on Tuesday May 7. The trip has been great but everytime I read the reports from Marty, the Leary clan, Bayside Dave, the phenomenal day Pat and friends had on the LBI sands and now the start of fluke season, I really want to be out fishing. Lamenting to my wife does no good since all she replies is "Oh shut up! The fish will be there when you get back." But I'm not convinced! Anyway....

Our spring season got off to a good start with reports of drum, stripers, bluefish and white perch coming from both the bay and the ocean. However, despite the good news, club weigh-ins and reports had been slow. The weather, especially the winds, have probably kept anglers at home. But then things improved. White Perch are a few weeks behind schedule but are now starting to make a decent showing. No definite proof that a spring Bluefish run is here but I read that

'gators' were caught outside Manasquan inlet, Barnegat Fishin Hole mentioned blues being caught near the BB buoy and 9 Blues were entered into the LBI Spring Derby in the last 5 days!

But it's May and the air and water temps are rising. Summer Flounder (Fluke) opened yesterday May 4th but only cold and windy conditions were reported. The new fluke regulations certainly provide ample opportunity to fish more and take home a few filets for some fine eating. Try to fish the outgoing tide and favor shallow water for the best chances to connect. If wreck fishing is your thing, Seabass opens on May 17 and runs through June 19 with a 10 fish limit at 12 1/2 ". So before the weather really heats up and the summer crowds arrive, get out there and do some fishing and please share your reports for fellow club members!

One other thing to mention, VHFC has been working hard to get new members to join our club. As of today, we have **27** new members for 2024! So if you see a new face at our meeting, introduce yourself and make that person feel at home. Finally, I look forward to seeing everyone on May 10th at our next meeting. Once again, **meetings start at 7:15!** As always, be sure to take a photo of your catch for our awards and submit a report for others to enjoy and learn where the fish are biting.

**UPCOMING VHFC EVENTS - For your long term planning and participation.** 

MAY 10 CLUB MEETING - Doors open at 7:00 PM

JUNE 5 BATTLE ON THE BEACH - 4-7 PM at 7th St Barnegat Light

MAY 21 BOTTOM FISHING TRIP - On the spacious Mary M IV out of Barnegat Light

JULY 13 FLUKE TOURNAMENT / BBQ - Great day for family fun and fishing competition

JULY 27 / 28 TRI-CLUB FLUKE TOURNAMENT / BBQ - Compete against anglers from Fish

Hawks and Forked River clubs for the largest 5 club fluke

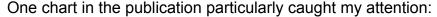
FALL DINNER - Great time at Kostas Grill in Tuckerton No date yet

OCTOBER 8 BOTTOM FISHING TRIP - On the spacious Mary M IV out of Barnegat Light

MAY SPEAKER JENNI ACKERMAN, *THE FISHERMAN MAGAZINE* – If you haven't seen Jenni in her weekly "Open Boat" presentations as part of the Fisherman Magazine videos, you have been missing out on a ton of extremely useful tips on fishing the New Jersey coast. Although still early in her life and career, Jenni has been fishing since her days growing up in NJ and fishing the beach with her family. Jenni will discuss fluke fishing in our waters, just in time for the opening of the 2024 fluke season.

**NEW JERSEY FISHING REGULATIONS by Phil Simon -** If you haven't already seen it, here is a link to the 2024 NJ saltwater fishing regulations: 2024 NJ Fishing Regulations, You may also

want to pick up a free copy of the New Jersey Marine Digest at your local B&T store or, you can read/download it at 2024 New Jersey Marine Digest Included in this issue are all the 2024 regulations for fishing and shellfishing, with seasons, bag limits, size limitations, and identification picture of nearly all the fish you will encounter this season. Plus it's full of nuggets of info on contacting officials regarding fishing issues, guidelines for how much toxic content there is in our fish, how to measure your fish correctly, state fishing records, and so much more.



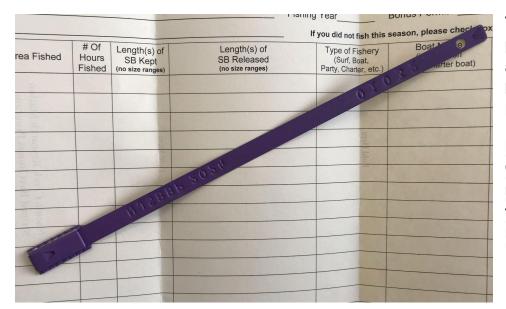


This chart shows participation in the New Jersey Saltwater Recreational Registry Program since its inception in 2011. Either the number of saltwater anglers in New Jersey is in a steady decline, or most NJ anglers are not signing up with the free registry. Which do you think it is? I suspect people think "why bother?" When you are stopped by the fish police, do they ask to see your registration? Or do they stick to checking how many and what size fish you have on board? And do the judges want to waste court time with minor infractions?

The problem is, the politicians use this kind of information as a sign that the saltwater recreational community is unimportant, and are not a constituency to be listened to. No wonder it took three years to get the governor to fill those empty seats on the NJ Marine Fisheries Council. No votes, who cares? Right? By the way, have you signed up yet this year? If you are age 16+ or you have not yet renewed your registration for 2024, go to NJ Fish & Wildlife Electronic License System and complete the appropriate form. Registration / renewal is free and required if you fish NJ waters. Also, your registration number is needed if you apply for a Striped Bass Bonus Tag.

**NEW JERSEY STRIPED BASS BONUS PROGRAM** - The 2024 Striped Bass Bonus Program (SBBP) opens in ten days. Applications for individuals and party/charter boats are currently being accepted. Permits issued in 2023 are NOT valid in 2024.

Please visit the <u>SBBP webpage</u> for application instructions and additional information. Your tag allows you to keep a bass between 24" and less than 28" in length regardless if caught by boat, off the surf or on a party boat throughout New Jersey.



That's my 2024 dark purple tag waiting to be attached to a striped bass. Tags are valid from May 15 to Dec 31.

Full rules on the website
Once a tag is filled and
reported, you are eligible
for additional tags as
long as supplies last!

**SOCIAL MEDIA by Bayside Dave Etelman -** VHFC now has a Facebook page and an Instagram account. You can find them by searching "Village Harbour Fishing Club" on both platforms. For your convenience, both links are provided <u>VHFC FB Site</u> and <u>VHFC Instagram</u>. Both sites are starting to gain followers and are putting out at least 2 posts a week. Our club accounts will be regularly sharing what we do within the club, including the dates and times of our events and monthly meetings. We will also be sharing pictures and stories of our members fishing outings, as well as tips for fishing and boating.

As a follower of these platforms you can be interactive with the posts by sharing your thoughts, ideas and pictures in the comments. VHFC has been working to build



Here's a recent post showing a foggy start to a day's fishing.

BOTTOM FISHING ON THE MARY M IV by Phil Simon- We are scheduled with Capt Sam (Rescigno) for a bottom fishing trip on Tuesday, May 21 2024, on the Mary M IV. The average cost per person should be about \$100 including tip depending on the total number of anglers. The 2024 regs are the same as last year - 10 fish at 12.5 inches May 17 - June 19. So we will be hitting the wrecks just days after opening. Sign up for some great early season bottom fishing. We already have 13 members plus 4 - 5 guests signed up but we expect more soon, so sign up now! VHFC will provide coffee and donuts for your enjoyment. Contact Phil Simon at sciman2@gmail.com



The 62' Mary M IV is Barnegat Light's largest charter boat and has the speed and range to get you to the best fishing grounds on the Jersey Coast! She has a large heated cabin where you can stow your gear or eat your lunch. The decks are fully walkaround and can accommodate up to 38 anglers on fishing trips.

ROD N' REEL RAFFLE by Ed Valitutto - Hey folks, Fisherman;s Headquarters has generously donated a quality rod and reel to the club for our first raffle. Thank you Greg Cudnik! The rod is a Shimano Talavera Inshore 7' rated for power as Medium Action: Fast, suitable for 10 - 20+ lb Braid and Lure Weights of 1/4 to 5/8 oz. The reel is a Penn Fierce IV 3000 that will hold a generous amount of line: Braid 15#/250 yds, 20#/180 yds, 30#/130 yds. I think this would be a perfect combo for fluke or casting a light lure. Total value is ~\$200. Tickets are 1 for \$5 or 5 for \$20 with the drawing at the June Meeting (Attendance not required). Get in on the action and buy your tickets!

**NEW MEMBERS by Ed Valitutto -** VHFC has really worked hard at recruiting new members via posters, a Sand Paper ad, The Boat Shop open house, Southern Regional Flea Market, social media and especially recruitment from our own members. As a result, VHFC is pleased to welcome in 27 new members for 2024. My advice to the new recruits to get the most from their club membership: a) Come to our meetings and meet our members b) Enter your catch for a chance at our many prizes c) Share your fishing experiences by submitting a report for our website and d) Participate in our events. If you have any questions, contact me or any board member either at our meeting or by email, text or phone. Our new members for 2024 are:

Patrick Barrett, James Borkowski, Michael Burns, Ken Chew, Dave Clelland, Paul Costello, David Gering, Jerry Gherardi, Tom Godfrey, Chaytan Goracy, Dave Hoegler, Mike Katen, Robert Long, Tim Naples, James Pankewicz, John Pastor, Karl Pfeil, George Pica, Amelia Puzak, Garry Reid, Tom Santaguida, Julian Saquicela, Joe Schafaren, Bob Schlichting, Tony Simmins, Dave Weaver and James Witczak

Welcome and I hope you enjoy your membership. If I missed anyone, my sincere apologies and please let me know.

**FLUKE RULE TO REMEMBER by Ed Valitutto -** If you want to read the whole story go to <u>Your President Broke the Law</u> in our June 2021 Newsletter. Basically, I was out fishing with two other club members in the busy High Bar Harbor area when NJ F&W approached my boat and asked to board. After they measured my monster 18 1/4" fluke and were about to leave, one of them noticed the strip hanging off my teaser. When asked what it was, I responded "fluke belly." Since I didn't have the carcass onboard, it was case closed and I paid a \$50 fine!

First off, I was not using fluke belly. I had the outer fins or ribbons from both the white and dark sides of a fish taken a week prior that I salted and froze for this trip. If you look closely you will see the striations or lines running across the strip that enable a fluke to flutter its fins. These strips are usually discarded during filleting. Unfortunately, that doesn't matter to NJF&W. Look, I know F&W has a tough job enforcing our laws over a large area with too few officers. But you also need to know the law. If you want to use these strips or ribbons, you are required to have the carcass on board and it counts towards your total three man limit.

Ever since, I have the carcass on board, frozen and folded in three, that I took the ribbons off from a prior trip. But honestly, I'm not 100% sure that will satisfy F&W but that is the best I can do, And those ribbons make a great fluke bait! Now that you know the law, you decide what's best for you.

**BATTLE ON THE BEACH by Ed Valitutto -** This year's annual high school surf fishing contest is scheduled for Wednesday June 5th starting at 4:00 PM on 9th Street in Barnegat Light with June 6th as the rain date. Four high schools (Southern Regional, Barnegat, Lacey Township and MATES Academy) compete for bragging rights and displaying the coveted trophy engraved with their school name for one year in their school lobby. In addition, the winning school receives a \$1,000 scholarship provided by LBI Surf Fishing Committee.

Each school gets one entire block to fish for 45 minutes before being rotated to a new block. The process continues until all four schools have fished all four blocks. Since VHFC officiates the event, eight volunteers are needed. One person does the tape measurement and one person records the entries for one of the four blocks.

This is a great opportunity to enjoy a day on the beach, spend time with our future anglers and learn how to read the beach from a very knowledgeable angler, VHFC's Bob Massa. Bob will provide all materials for manning the 4 stations. Anyone interested should contact me to confirm your support. I'll send out further details as available to all participants. We usually meet at 3:30 at 9th St and walk in together. Note that at this time of the year the wind changes to the SE in the later afternoon and it can get quite chilly. Therefore, dress appropriately for a day on the beach. The photo below is from 2019 as the contest was just getting started and schools were walking to their assigned first street to fish..



#### PHOTO OF THE MONTH by Phil Simon & Jerry Nichols Here are the Rules:

- 1. Photos must be either taken by a member of the club or, taken by someone with the club member at the time the photo was taken.
- 2. Photos submitted for a particular month's contest must have been taken during that month and must be submitted no later than three days after the end of the month.
- All photos submitted as part of a member fishing report will automatically be included in that month's photo of the month contest as well (excluding pictures of fish submitted for measurement).
- 4. Photos not submitted as part of a member fishing report should be texted or emailed to Phil Simon: Text: 908-656-4086; email: <a href="mailto:sciman2@gmail.com">sciman2@gmail.com</a>
- 5. Selection All photos will be reviewed by the selection committee, currently consisting of Jerry Nichols, Phil Simon, and a special, external professional photographer.
- 6. The winner each month will be based on the following criteria:
- 7. Subject matter: fishing activities, fishing locales, sunsets, beaches, club activities, and similar subjects.
- 8. Selection criteria: composition, proper exposure and focus, and an emphasis on the fun of fishing and related activities
- 9. The winning photo will be published each month in the club newsletter.
- 10. Grand prize \$50 FHQ award will be drawn randomly from monthly winners at the November meeting.



John
Stuebing
submitted
the winning
photo taken
at Graveling
Point in early
March

Nice Work John!

JOE MATUSKA TRI-CLUB FLUKE CHALLENGE by John Stuebing - This event was started by Joe Matuska who belonged to all three clubs: Fish Hawks, Forked River Tuna Club and the Ground Swipers Rod & Gun Club. After Joe passed away, the Ground Swipers backed out of the tournament and for several years this event was a Bi-Club tournament between Fish Hawks and the Forked River Tuna Club.

In recent years, Creekside Outfitters became a sponsor and interest in the event grew between the two clubs. This year, Village Harbour Fishing Club has been invited to join the event and it will once again be a Tri-Club Event. The event is held on July 27 and 28. The first day is the fishing tournament followed on Sunday with the picnic and awards.

There is no entrance fee for the tournament. Only Club Members are eligible to fish. All fish must be weighed in at Creekside Outfitters in Waretown. Individual Prizes: \$100 for 1st Place, \$50 for 2nd and \$25 for 3rd through 6th place. All prizes are Gift Certificates to Creekside Outfitters. The real prize is bragging rights and a trophy for the winning Club. Each club enters the 5 biggest fish that their members caught. The club with the biggest gross weight wins. Anglers must be present at the picnic to receive an award.

There is a \$5 per person fee for the picnic. Anglers are welcome to bring family and friends as long as everyone pays the \$5 fee. The picnic is held at the Forked River Tuna Club facility. There will be plenty of food and a cash bar. The facility offers both outdoor and indoor tables so there is plenty of room for everyone to enjoy their meal in air conditioning.

I will have sign up sheets for the Tournament and picnic at the May meeting. This will be our first year in the event and hopefully we will have a big turnout and take home *all the prizes*! I will discuss further and answer any questions at the May meeting.

**Fish of the Month (FOM)** - The largest fish caught during the specified period will be awarded a \$50 gift certificate to a local tackle shop. For 2024, there are 29 FOM adult awards and 5 Junior Angler Only awards each for a \$50 certificate. Open contests are shaded Green.

#### **Junior Angler FOM Contests**

Month	Species	Name	Size
1 April – 30 September	White Perch	No Entry	
1 April – 30 September	Bluefish	No Entry	
1 June – 30 September	Kingfish		
1 June – 30 September	Blowfish		
4 May – 25 September	Fluke	No Entry	

### **Adult Angler FOM Contests**

Month	Species	Name	Size
1 March – 30 June	Striped Bass	No Entry	
1 March – 30 June (Surf Only)	Striped Bass	No Entry	
1 Mar – 31 Dec (No Size Limit)	Striped Bass	No Entry	
1 March – 30 September	Bluefish	No Entry	
1 March – 30 Sept (Surf Only)	Bluefish	No Entry	
1 March – 31 October	White Perch	Dave Puzak Leads	10 1/2"
1 March – 31 December	Red Drum	No Entry	
1 March – 31 December	Black Drum	Ken Chew Leads	30"
1-30 Apr & 1 Aug – 30 Sept	Blackfish	Tyler Leary Leads	22"
1 April – 30 June	Weakfish	No Entry	
1 April – 31 October	Blowfish	No Entry	
1 April – 31 October	Kingfish	No Entry	
1 May – 30 November	Triggerfish	No Entry	
1 May – 30 November	Porgy	No Entry	
17 May – 19 June	Sea Bass	No Entry	
4 May – 30 June	Fluke	No Entry	
4 May – 25 Sept (Surf Only)	Fluke	No Entry	
1 – 31 July	Fluke		
1 – 31 July	Sea Bass		
1 July – 31 October	Weakfish		
1 – 31 August	Fluke		
1 – 31 August	Seabass		
1 – 27 September	Fluke		

1 Oct – 31 Dec	Bluefish
1 Oct – 31 Dec (Surf Only)	Bluefish
1 Oct – 31 Dec	Striped Bass
1 Oct – 31 Dec Surf Only)	Striped Bass
1 Oct – 31 Dec	Blackfish
1 Oct – 31 Dec	Sea Bass

**2024 FOM ENTRIES** - Here's the list of entries since our last Newsletter. Overall, catches are off to a slow start. Hopefully warmer weather will encourage more anglers to venture out on the water. Go to **VHFC Standings** for the complete list of 2024 entries to date.

04-08-24	Blackfish	21 1/2"	Marty Friedrich	LE Reef
04-08-24	Blackfish	19"	Bill Figley	LE Reef
04-18-24	Black Drum	30"	Ken Chew	Sod Banks
04-28-24	Blackfish	22"	Tyler Leary	Wreck

Here are a few photos to show both the nice fish caught and also how to measure them.



That's Tyler Leary's 22" Blackfish



That's Dave Puzak's White Perch currently in the lead at 10 1/2 "



Ken Chew caught this Black Drum that Weighmaster Pat determined to be 30". Note: We recommend a hard ruler like shown in the perch photo and the ruler should be under the fish.

#### QUICK RULES REVIEW FOR FOM ENTRY: Go to VHFC Contest Rules for full details.

- 1) Measure fish from the tip of the closed mouth to the center / fork of the tail except for Striped Bass and Kingfish.
- 2) Striped Bass must be measured per NJ F&W guidelines. Bass MUST be measured from the most forward point of the head with the mouth closed, to the farthest tip of the tail with the tail compressed or squeezed, while the fish is lying on its side.
- 3) Due to their sloping tail, Kingfish are measured to the bottom of the tail fin.
- 4) All fish must be in season and legal size except for the FOM for "Over Slot" Stripers which should be quickly measured and released. Bluefish must be 14" minimum.



Definitely NOT the way to submit a fish for FOM!! Bayside Dave sent this to Pat and I to get a laugh. It certainly got our attention and eventually a smile!

But still a very nice Bluefish off the sands.

LBI 22nd Annual 2024 Spring Derby - See <u>LBI Spring Derby</u> There's still plenty of fishing time remaining.



STARTS: Saturday, April 6nd, 2024 @ 12 AM ENDS: Sunday, June 23th 2024 @ 6 PM \$20 - Registration Fee For All Anglers 100% Payout Prize Structure Striped Bass 50%/25%/10% Bluefish 15%

As of today, day 30 of the LBI Spring Derby, 21 Striped Bass and 13 bluefish have been entered and one of those bass belongs to VHFC Dave Etelman and is currently in third place!

**FRIED CALAMARI RECIPE by Ed Valitutto -** I saw this recipe on Cook's Country on TV and really liked it. Besides using it to fry Calamari, I think it would be great for frying shrimp or even fish strips cut from a larger filet or taken off a blowfish. I usually keep blowfish whole but if you remove the two strips off the carcass, this would be ideal.

#### Ingredients:

1 - 1 1/2 lbs Calamari cut into 3/4" rings. Leave tentacles whole. Or use an equal amount of shrimp or fish strips.

1/2 c milk mixed with 1 tsp table salt

1 1/2 cups flour mixed with 1 tbsp baking powder and 1/2 tsp pepper. Add other spices like paprika, onion or garlic powder, etc. if you like

1 cup sliced pickled banana peppers - Optional

#### **Directions:**

- 1) Add Calamari to the milk mixture and stir well. Remove half at a time and let drain before adding to the flour mixture. Coat well and let dry on a wire rack for 15 minutes.
- 2) Add banana peppers to the flour mixture and coat well. Move to a wire rack to dry.
- 3) While calamari and peppers dry, heat vegetable oil (~ 1 inch deep) to ~350 degrees.
- 4) Add half of the calamari to hot oil. Fry for 3 minutes. Remove and drain on a wire rack. Lightly salt while still warm and move to a 250 degree oven. When the calamari is all fried, add banana peppers and fry for 3 4 minutes. Drain and add both peppers and calamari to a serving platter.
- 5) Garnish with lemon wedges and a few uncooked pepper rings. Note: Shrimp or fish strips should take about the same time to cook. Serve with tartar sauce or spicy ketchup. Enjoy!

FISHING REPORTS by Ed Valitutto - Please go VHFC Fishing to read our fishing reports submitted by fellow club members. Please submit your reports using the simple form on the pull down menu. If you do not feel comfortable using the form, please email Ed Valitutto @ edvalitutto@gmail.com or call 609 994 1311 and provide me with the details so I can do a report for you. Please take a moment to provide a report for other members to enjoy and gain some valuable fishing insight. There were 7 reports since the April Newsletter.



That's Marty Friedrich with a nice opening day 7 lb tog that he released after he measured 21 1/2 ".

They ended the day with a four man limit.



Bob Dodds and John Stuebing each got a keeper bass on our early season Brett Tayleor charter. My fish is a 'little hard to see'!

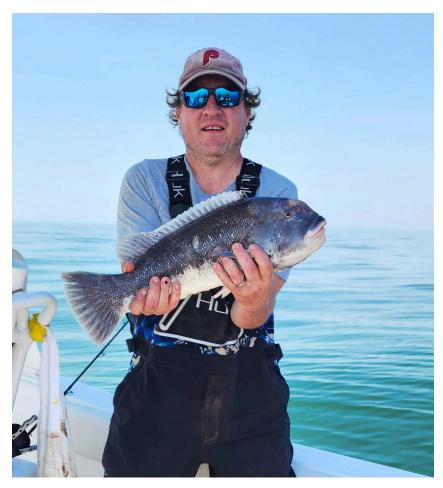


That's Marty and friends with their four man limit once again!

The man definitely knows how to catch tog! He also knows seabass, fluke, stripers, etc.



That's a great looking table of tog waiting for the knife, New member Tlm Naples had a great first trip to start the season,



That's Marty's pal Carl holding a 6.25 lb white chin.

Once again, Marty managed a four man limit!



That's Tyler Leary holding his FOM leading 22" blackfish which is still safely swimming and growing out there! Brian, Tyler and friend Smitty safely released several other big ones. But seven tog were invited home for dinner!



Weighmaster Pat, club member Bill and friend Tom had a phenomenal day on the LBI sands. Bill caught two, 28 1/2 & 31 1/4" and Tom had a 29 and a 30".

Pat was high hook with 5 fish from 24 to 37 and one beast that broke his braid!

**VESSEL SAFETY CHECKS By Jeff Orsoe** - Both the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary and the United States Power Squadrons have certified vessel examiners who will perform a free Vessel Safety Check ("VSC") at your boat, at a time of mutual convenience. There is no charge and no consequences if your boat doesn't pass. Our goal is simply to help make boating as safe as possible for you, your family and your friends. Personal pleasure craft, only.

I am available to perform a Vessel Safety exam on your vessel any time after May 8th and have the VE stickers (Vessel Exam decal) that is placed on the vessel upon successful completion of the checklist. As stated above, there is no charge for the exam and if you do not qualify for the sticker, the results will not be reported to any agency. The boat owner just needs to take care of the problem and reschedule another exam for the decal to be awarded. **Contact: Jeff Orsoe Cell / Text: 732-672-5530 or email: jorsoe786@gmail.com**.

A fire extinguisher is required onboard and all fire extinguishers now have a 12 year qualifying life cycle. If you look at the bottom, you will see the year it was made. Just add 12 years to that date to figure the expiration date. Also, NJ law now requires a PFD be worn by all occupants if your vessel is less than 26 feet while underway between Nov 1 and May 1.

#### **CLASSIFIED ADS BUY, SELL or TRADE**

Classified ads may be placed free of charge by any club member for non-commercial fishing related items. Please contact Ed Valitutto via email at <a href="mailto:edvalitutto@gmail.com">edvalitutto@gmail.com</a> to place your ad.

Member Bill Kleimenhagen sold his big sportfishing boat so he has no use for two huge coolers any more. Bill has both the 200 Quart and 320 Quart SSI Coolers for sale. Bill would like \$200 for the 200 qt and \$320 for the 320 qt. See the links for the new cost and a description.

https://www.marineboatingsupply.com/10ssibigco20.html

https://www.marineboatingsupply.com/10ssibigco32.html

**VHFC Hats** - Hats are khaki colored and feature a high definition VHFC patch on the front. They are high quality and available at club meetings for \$20. If you would like a hat,come to a meeting to purchase one.

VHFC Shirts - Only 2 are left on hand - White 3XL & Blue Medium. We must order a minimum buy of 12 and prefer to have ~6 spoken for before we place an order. So please let us



know your size and color preference. Sizes range from XS (Extra Small) to 6XL and are available in nine colors. Shirts have long sleeves and feature UPF 50 Sun Protection. These are quality shirts to be worn proudly. White is shown in the photo. Sizes: XS, S, M, L, XL, 2XL, 3XL, 4XL, 5XL, & 6XL. Colors: White, Pale Green, Sand, Pale Orange, Pale Yellow, Pale Teal, Aqua, Lime & Medium Blue. Contact Phil Simon

at <u>sciman2@gmail.com</u> for placing an order. Last order prices were from \$30 - \$36 depending on size.

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**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. With gas prices reaching the sky, helping out with fuel costs is almost a necessity.

#### **USEFUL INFORMATION LINKS**

See the full list on our website **Links** 

Wave Information (Height, Period, Direction and Water Temperature) from a Buoy 15 Miles Outside Barnegat Inlet Updated Every 30 minutes: <u>Buoy #44091</u>

Boat/US: http://www.boatus.com/

United States Coast Guard Auxiliary: <a href="http://www.cgaux.org/">http://www.cgaux.org/</a>

Notice to Mariners (District 5): <a href="http://www.navcen.uscg.gov/?pageName=InmDistrict&region=5">http://www.navcen.uscg.gov/?pageName=InmDistrict&region=5</a>

Fisherman's Headquarters: <a href="http://www.fishermansheadquarters.com/">http://www.fishermansheadquarters.com/</a>

The Boat Shop: <a href="http://theboatshoponline.com/">http://theboatshoponline.com/</a>

The Bass Barn: http://www.thebassbarn.com

Barnegat Fishing Hole: <a href="http://www.barnegatfishinghole.com/ubbthreads/ubbthreads.php">http://www.barnegatfishinghole.com/ubbthreads/ubbthreads.php</a>

Animated Knots: <a href="http://www.animatedknots.com/">http://www.animatedknots.com/</a>

**Long Beach Island Water Temperature & Winds:** 

https://seatemperature.info/long-beach-island-water-temperature.html

**SPONSORS** - The following sponsors offer a discount with the presentation of your current VHFC Membership Card. Discounts normally do not apply to items that are fair traded or items on sale.

**BHW Marine Center** 10% discount with VHFC card 857 Mill Creek Rd Manahawkin, NJ 08050 **609-709-5424** 

#### Boat U.S.

Special membership price call Jeff Orsoe. Forms for members' use will be at VHFC meetings or call Jeff Orsoe 732-672-5530. Also, VHFC members only pay \$9.50 for a year of Boat U.S.

Creekside Outfitters 10% discount with VHFC card 403 Rt. 9 Waretown, NJ 08758 609-242-1812

**D & S Marine Service** 10% discount on parts with VHFC card6 460 Dock Rd, West Creek NJ 08092 **609-296-0309** 

**Fisherman's Headquarters** 10% discount with VHFC card 280 West 9th St, Ship Bottom, NJ 08008 **609-494-5739** 

**JB Awards** 10% discount on engraving and trophies with VHFC card **609-290-5851** 

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