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Next Membership Meeting

Tuesday, April 26, 2011 - 7:00 PM

Skilligalee Restaurant
Glenside Ave, just North of Broad Street
Come ~ 5:30 PM and enjoy good company
over dinner from the menu

MAY MEMBERSHIP MEETING MOVES TO MAYMONT

Thanks to the good help of President Fred Murray, the May Virginia Anglers Club meeting will again move to The Maymont Nature Center. The regular crew will be cooking. Start lining up (or catching) some of your fish to bring along (thawed out, please). Price, menu, time and all the details will be in the next the May copy of *The Angler*. Remember, May Month is Maymont.



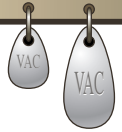
BACKLASH
Commentary from the Board of Directors
-By John Wetlaufer, Sr.

APRIL PROGRAM – BOB SHEPHERD ON FISHING VA’S BARRIER ISLANDS

VAC's own, Bob Shepherd will be speaking on surf fishing the barrier islands of Virginia for red and black drum. Bob will share some of the best (and most accessible) lower Eastern Shore surf fishing locations as well as demonstrating and explaining some of the tackle and techniques recommended to catch big drum from the surf.

NEW MEMBER THOMAS LEE HUSS VOTED INTO MEMBERSHIP

Thomas “Lee” Huss was voted into membership in the VAC at the April 12th Board of Directors Meeting. Lee lives in Richmond and enjoys both freshwater and saltwater fishing. He is a social studies teacher at Patrick Henry High School Lee has attended the last two Membership Meetings. Lee will be recognized at the April Membership Meeting. Lee’s picture appears on page 3 of this issue of *The Angler*.



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VIRGINIA ANGLERS CLUB MEMBER MIKE SWEENEY PASSES AWAY

Virginia Anglers Club Member Mike Sweeny passed away unexpectedly on Sunday, March 27, 2011. A "Lines Out" remembrance of Mike appears on page 4 of this issue of The Angler.

THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY HATS AND SWISS ARMY KNIVES HAVE ARRIVED

Country Storekeeper Eddy Johnston will have the special Fiftieth Anniversary Virginia Anglers Club commutative embroidered hats and engraved Swiss Army style knives for sale at the April Membership Meeting. The hat sells for \$15.00 and the knife sells for \$20.00. **Quantities of each item are limited.** Pictures of the hat and the knife are found on page 5 of this issue of The Angler.

SPECIAL RAFFLE – APRIL AND MAY MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS

A signed print of an original painting by waterfowl artist Sharon Shacochis will be offered for raffle at the April and May Membership Meetings. The print was the show print for the 29th Annual Rappahannock River Waterfowl Show in White Stone, Virginia. The lucky winning ticket will be drawn at the May Membership Meeting. See page 5 in this issue of The Angler for more details and a picture of the print.

ARE YOUR DUES PAST DUE?

Some twenty (20) members who have not renewed their 2011 VAC Memberships will be getting a past due notice from The Club. Please pay your dues promptly when OR BEFOR the notice is received.

REMINDER CATCH SUBMISSIONS RECOGNIZED FOR PAID-UP MEMBERS ONLY

If for some reason, your 2011 VAC dues have not been paid (postmarked for mailed in dues) by February 28, 2011, any catches made on or after that date and submitted on an entry card are automatically disqualified for entry into the catch data base of the VAC. Catches made after the date that dues are again made current will be eligible for entry into the catch record data base if properly submitted on an entry card. Why the disqualification? The Entry Card System is only available to paid-up voting members, Life Members and Honorary Members.

LAST CALL FOR SCALE CERTIFICATION AT APRIL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

The Scale Certification Team will be certifying scales for the last time during the April Membership Meeting. After April 26th, please contact Danny for your certification needs. Contact information for Danny can be found in the membership roster in the Members Area of the VAC Web Site. Danny will gladly work with you to arrange a mutually agreeable, individual scale certification.

KNOW A FACE BUT I CANT REMEMBER A NAME? NAME TAGS HELP

All anglers and guests attending VAC Membership Meetings are encouraged to pick up, fill out and wear an adhesive-backed name tag. Name tags are available at the Country Store on your way into the meeting room.

For the Leadership Team
John Wetlaufer, Sr., Secretary



CATCHY COMMENTS

by Buddy Noland

The azaleas are blooming and the Shad are in the rivers. Discussion at the board meeting this past Tuesday indicated that several boats had caught over 200 Shad per boat during the tournament last weekend. It seems that the larger fish had arrived several weeks ago; and now, smaller Shad are being caught.

Leroy Houser turned in his entry card for the “heaviest” Blue Catfish of the year. **Leroy** and **Gary Martel** were fishing the James River, February 27th and landed several fish over 50 pounds. The largest was the 76 pound, 8 ounce, Blue Catfish on 12# general worth 531 points and new 12# general Club Record. The fish was also “released” to fight another day.

Fred Cousins and **Reggie White** went “Gar” fishing to Chipokes Creek in early March. **Fred** caught a 9 pound Gar on 2# plug for 327 points. But, **Reggie** managed to top that catch with a 11 pound, 14 ounce, fish on 2# spin worth 431 points. **Reggie’s** fish now takes the lead for “spin division”, “species”, and also the “heaviest” category. Later in the month, **Fred** and **Reggie** went back to the “Hot Ditch” for Speckled Trout. **Reggie** started it off with a 5 pound, 12 ounce, Trout on 4# spin for 287 points. That evening, **Fred** beat **Reggie** on points with a 5 pound, 10 ounce, Spotted Seatrout on 2# spin for 375 points.

Billy Nicar was fishing Raintree Lake on March 8th and caught a nice 8 pound Largemouth Bass. **Billy** was using a jig to land the 266 point fish on 8# plug. The Largemouth will take the lead for the “heaviest” division and is one of the more difficult entries for the Master Angler Award.

Bob Shepherd and **Fred Murray** were again fishing for Blue Catfish on the James River. **Bob** ended the day with a 53 pound Catfish on 6# general for 498 points. The fish is a little smaller than Bob’s earlier Blue Catfish entry of 57 pounds.

Robbie Robinson and **Mike Cline** fished the Chickahominy River the middle of March. **Mike** had the best Ring Perch. **Mike** was jigging a “blade bait” on 2# spin to land the 1 pound 4 ounce fish for 328 points. The Yellow Perch will lead the “species” and “heaviest” categories. Not to be outdone, **Robbie** went on a rampage to catch three “species” leaders. Robbie first caught a 337 point Bowfin on 2# plug, a 4 pound, 8 ounce, Largemouth Bass for 300 points, and finally a 1 pound, 4 ounce, Crappie on 2# spin worth 198 points. The Largemouth is also the 2# plug Club Record. Not a bad day!

Fishing for Shad on St. Patrick’s Day at Weldon NC; **Jim Sheffield** and **Mickey Kodroff** had a successful trip. **Jim** caught a 2 pound Hickory on 2# spin for 227 points and takes the “heaviest” lead. The following day at Rocky Mount, **Jim** landed a huge 5 pound American Shad, using two shad darts, on 2# spin for 400 points. The American Shad leads the “species” and “heaviest” categories.

Parks Rountrey fished the Elizabeth River one more time this Spring. **Parks** finished the day with a 3 pound Spotted Seatrout on 2# spin for 200 points. **Parks** was using a grub to catch this trout.

Brothers, **Eddy** and **Nelson Johnston** were Shad fishing the James River during the middle of the week to avoid some of the weekend crowds. **Nelson’s** best catch was a 1 pound, 11 ounce, Hickory on 6# spin for 184 points using a dart for bait. **Eddy** had the top fish for the day, a 1 pound, 12 ounce, Hickory on 2# tippet worth 250 points. **Eddy’s** fish now leads both the “species” and “heaviest” categories for Hickory Shad.

David Nobles has been using some free time away from his CCA responsibilities to fish some ponds and creeks this year. Fishing a private pond in Lanesville, Virginia, on March 22nd, **David** entered an 8 ounce Sunfish and a 5 pound, 13 ounce Largemouth Bass using a Golden Retriever fly on 6# tippet. The Sunfish is worth 113 points and the Largemouth 290. The following weekend, while fishing Beaver Creek, **David** landed a 2 pound, 2 ounce Rainbow Trout for 120 points on 4# fly.

The saltwater fishing is beginning to pick up in Virginia with the Flounder and Croaker around the CBBT and rivers.

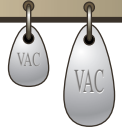
Off North Carolina, the tuna are getting more abundant along with large Dolphin and a few billfish being caught off Hatteras. I’m looking forward to the winds to slow down a little!



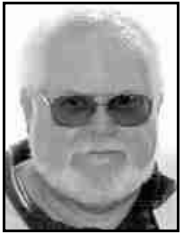
New Member - Lee Huss

Good luck,

Buddy



VAC MEMBER MIKE SWEENEY PULLS LINES ON MARCH 27, 2011



Virginia Anglers Club Member Mike Sweeney passed away unexpectedly on Sunday, March 27, 2011. Mike joined the VAC in September, 2009. Although Mike was a member of the VAC for a relatively short time, he was a faithful in his attendance at the VAC Monthly Membership Meetings (“the guy with the white beard who sat up front on the left side”). Mike was also a member of the CCA-VA and was a willing volunteer to help any way he could with any CCA-VA function. Mike spent most every weekend at his cottage on Gwynn’s Island. Rockfish and speckled trout were his favorite species to catch. A faithful member of the Virginia Anglers Club has pulled lines for the last time.

AMERICAN SHAD RESTORATION PROJECT IS UNDERWAY

The American Shad Restoration Project is underway to collect American shad eggs and stock the young fish when they're only a few days old as part of a cooperative effort to replenish shad stocks in the James and Rappahannock rivers. Eggs are collected from American shad in the Pamunkey River for the James stockings and from shad in the Potomac River for the Rappahannock stockings. Since 1992 over 111 million shad fry have been stocked in the upper James, and since 2003 over 30 million have been stocked in the upper Rappahannock.

SHAD CAM IS READY TO ROLL AS FISH PASSAGES OPEN

The Boshers Dam fishway is now open for the season and Shadcam is up and running. Once again, enthusiasts will be able to enjoy capturing images of American shad and the 20+ other species of riverine fishes that typically pass through the fishway on the James River each spring.

ATTENTION FRESHWATER ANGLERS FISHING IN “ANADROMOUS” TIDAL WATERS

If you are a freshwater angler who is fishing for "anadromous" species in tidal waters or rivers where anadromous fish migrate upstream to spawn, you need to be aware of new regulations enacted by the Virginia Marine Resources Commission (VMRC) that affect you. The new **Saltwater Fisherman Identification Program (FIP) requires Angler Registration starting January 1, 2011 for all saltwater anglers.** VMRC will also implement a free state saltwater angler identification program as of January 1, 2011. Purchasers of annual Virginia saltwater fishing licenses do NOT have to register. The Virginia Fisherman Identification Program (FIP) will require unlicensed saltwater anglers aged 16 and older to register and receive an identification number annually. **Adult anglers who fish for anadromous or marine species in freshwater must also register.** These species include striped bass (rockfish), shad or other tidal species that live in saltwater but spawn in freshwater. So if you're fishing for, or may catch, a saltwater fish such as a striper anywhere in Virginia's tidal waters, you'll need either a Virginia saltwater fishing license, or to register with the FIP.

There is no cost for registration. Online registration is available on VMRC’s website. To register by phone, call toll-free 1-800-723-2728. For more information, visit VMRC’s website or contact VMRC at (757) 247-2200.

50TH VAC ANNIVERSARY HAT AND KNIFE ON SALE IN APRIL

The official Virginia Anglers Club 50th Anniversary Commemorative Hat and Knife will go on sale at the Country Store at the April Membership Meeting. Supplies of each are limited.



The hat is a light cotton baseball style hat from the Adams Sunblock Collection with a cooling mesh lining, a substantial sweat band and a long bill with a dark green underside. The words “Virginia Anglers Club, Richmond, VA” are embroidered in black on the front and 1961-2011 embroidered in black on the back in back. The size is adjustable. The hat is treated with Dupont Repel®'ae Teflon®'ae fabric protector and will repel water and oil based materials. The fabric has also been treated with Rayosan®'ae UV Protector with a resulting UPF (Ultraviolet Performance Factor) of 45 (1/45th of the ultraviolet radiation hitting the fabric passes thru the fabric). The price of the hat is \$15.00.



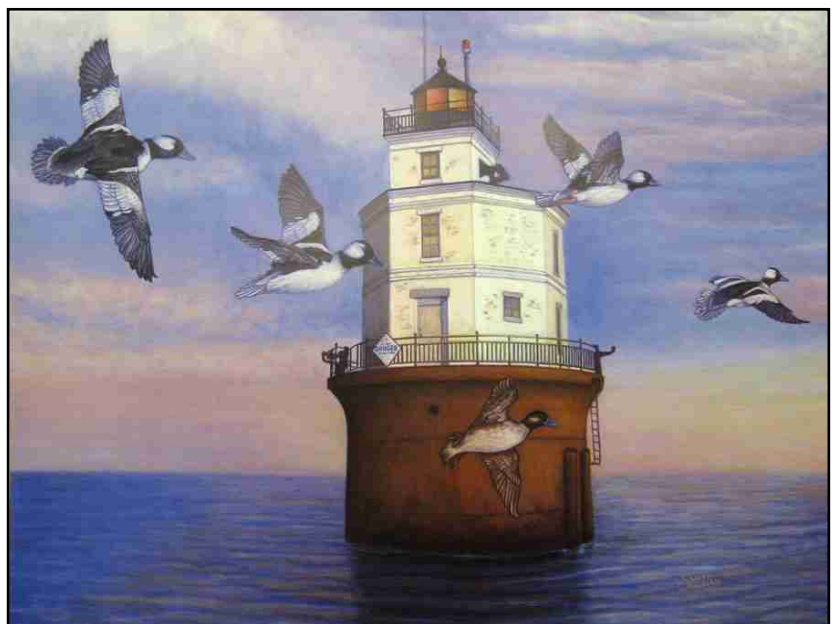
The knife is made by VICTORINOX, the makers of the original Swiss Army knife. The knife has an overall length of 2 •bc” and the sides of the knife are engraved red plastic. The knife has the following pull out tools: scissors, a knife with a 1 3/8” long blade, a nail file with a small Phillips head screw driver on the end, a bottle opener with a flat blade screw driver on the end and a white plastic tooth pick held in a small slot in the end of the knife. The split ring on the end of the knife can be used to connect the knife to a key chain, etc. The price of the knife is \$20.00

Remember, quantities of both the hat and the knife are limited.

WATERFOWL PRINT – SPECIAL RAFFLE – APRIL & MAY MEETINGS

The winning raffle number of a signed copy of the above print of the original painting by waterfowl artist Sharon Shacochis will be drawn off at the May Membership Meeting to be held at Maymont. Sharon was selected to paint the show print for the 29th Annual Rappahannock River Waterfowl Show in White Stone, Virginia held on March 15th & 16th, 2008. The print is a copy of which the painting she presented. The total size of the print is 22” W by 15” high and the size of the actual image is 16” wide by 12” high.

Raffle tickets for the print will be available from Special Activities Chairman Don West at both the April and May Membership Meetings. Tickets are available for a donation of \$1.00 per individual ticket or six (6) tickets for a donation of \$5.00.



LOOKING FOR SUCCESSFUL LARGE MOUTH BASS FISHING??

The March 9, 2011 *Outdoor Report* issued electronically by the Virginia Department of Game and Inland Fisheries contained an article about which Virginia reservoirs offered the best large mouth fishing. Here is the article as quoted from the *Outdoor Report* noted (underlining added). The last three articles below are quoted from the same source.

**** Virginia Reservoirs Ranked for Largemouth Bass Fishing ****

(Quoted from the Virginia Department of Game and Inland Fisheries March 9, 2011 *Outdoor Report*)
 “VDGIF aquatic biologists spend considerable effort and resources to manage, enhance, and protect largemouth bass populations in Virginia's public fishing reservoirs, lakes, and ponds. Most of these waters are sampled each year, or every few years, to assess current largemouth bass population parameters such as age and growth, spawning success, and size distribution. These population samples are generally collected using daytime, boat electrofishing gear targeting largemouth bass and are conducted in a manner that allows several comparisons to be made concerning fish populations. Since many Virginia anglers target largemouth bass, and fish larger than 15 inches are considered "preferred" nationwide; the following summary contains information about bass over 15 inches (preferred size).

Relative stock density of preferred fish (RSD-P below) is the proportion of bass in a population over eight inches (stock size or recruits) that are also at least 15 inches. Thus, this index describes the size structure of the population and the bigger the number, the higher the percentage of big bass (>15 inches) in the population. Catch-per-unit-effort of preferred fish (CPUE-P below) is a measure of how many bass over 15 inches are collected by biologists during a set unit of effort (in this case, 1-hour of electrofishing). Thus, the higher the number, the more abundant big bass were during the sample.

Several factors can bias these data (e.g., weather conditions, fish behavior), but samples were conducted with efforts to minimize these biases. The following is a summary of these data with lakes ranked by CPUE-P and divided into the four management regions of the state. Those lakes ranked at the top of the table will provide excellent opportunities for anglers to catch quality largemouth bass. You might notice that some of the large reservoirs are ranked lower than you might expect. Smaller reservoirs normally have higher sampling efficiency and will thus rank higher based on this evaluation. This is a guide for anglers to use and not necessarily the entire picture of Virginia bass fisheries but it will provide a good place to start. We hope you find this useful.

Region I (Southeast - Tidewater)*

Reservoir	Rank	Year	Size (ac)	County	CPUE-P	RSD-P
Chesdin		2010	3,100	Chesterfield	37	69
Prince		2010	777	Suffolk	35	66
Waller Mill		2009	360	York	26	51
Meade		2010	512	Suffolk	25	61
Chandler's Millpond		2010	75	Westmoreland	25	32
Western Branch		2010	1,579	Suffolk	24	94
Diascund		2010	1,110	James City	24	39
Harwood's Mill		2009	265	York	23	59
Trashmore		2010	52	Virginia Beach	23	65
Maury		2010	165	Newport News	22	71
Cphoon		2010	510	Suffolk	22	66
Burnt Mills		2006	610	Isle of Wight	18	41
Smith		2007	222	Virginia Beach	17	39
Sandy Bottom Pond		2009	12	City of Hampton	16	61
Gardy's Millpond		2009	75	Northumberland	16	23
Speight's Run		2008	197	Suffolk	15	37
Airfield		2010	62	Sussex	12	48
Chickahominy Lake		2010	1,230	New Kent	10	20
Beaverdam Swamp		2010	635	Gloucester	10	17
Swift Creek		2010	156	Chesterfield	10	20
Lakeview		2010	42	Colonial Heights	8	20
Little Creek		2010	947	James City	8	17
Back Bay (creeks)		2010	22,000	Virginia Beach	7	28
Finger (Lone Star Lakes)		2007	22	Suffolk	6	60
Woodstock Pond		2008	7.5	York	6	11
Harrison		2010	82	Charles City	5	13
Lee Hall		2010	230	Newport News	3	33
Emporia		2009	210	Emporia	2	11
Oak Grove		2010	70	Chesapeake	0	0

(End of quoted article)

Please note that there are similar tables for VDGIF reservoirs in Regions II-IV in the *Outdoor Report* noted above.

HELP KEEP ANGLING LEGAL – REPORT VIOLATIONS
If you suspect or witness an angling violation, report it to the Wildlife Crimeline at
1-800-237-5712.



Legislation and Conservation

By Matt Balazik

Local News:

Flounder:

The Virginia Marine Resources Commission has voted to lower the recreational size limit for flounder, allowing anglers to keep more of the flounder they catch this year. This was possible due to a higher quota from an increase in biomass over the past few years. The new size limit will be 17.5 inches, with a four fish possession limit and no closed season. Last year's limits were 18.5 inches with a four fish possession limit and no closed season.

Local Blue Crabs:

The Virginia Marine Resources Commission and Maryland fishery managers today announced that the Chesapeake Bay's blue crab population is at its second highest level since 1997 and well above the target for the third year in a row. The results of the 2011 Blue Crab Winter Dredge Survey indicate that management measures put into place in 2008 to conserve female crabs are continuing to pay dividends for the crab population, the seafood industry, recreational crabbers and those who just plain enjoy the Bay's favorite crustacean.

Sturgeon Report:

Tried some large mesh gillnets upstream with no luck. They are catching juveniles downstream that we put transmitters internally. These tags will last 4 years and there is very little chance the tag will be expelled.

He is a 4 foot fish tagged and released on April 18th. The water being pumped over his gills is a low MS222 dilution to sedate the fish.

I'd like to thank William Gottwald for his very generous gift to the VCU Rice Center for sturgeon research.



Tournament News

4-9/10-2011 KELLY STAFFORD MEMORIAL HICKORY SHAD AND WHITE PERCH TOURNAMENT COMPLETED

We nailed it again - - a nice weekend near the peak of shad season. Most boats had over 100 fish – some over 200. At least 13 members came out and enjoyed good shad fishing. Perch fishing was poor with only a few small fish caught. Following the fishing we had a tailgate social on Parks' truck under a shade tree at the ramp. All enjoyed hot homemade Brunswick stew, snacks and cold beverages. Thanks to all who came! Results as follows:

Shad Points:

Fred Cousins 1-10 on 2 fly = 232 pts (wins Greentop giftcard)

Eddy Johnston 1-9 on 2 fly = 223 pts.

Parks Rountrey 1-9 on 2 spin = 177

Shad Weight:

Fred Murray 2-4 (wins a Greentop giftcard)

Bob Brown 1-5

Parks Rountrey 1-4

Perch Points:

Fred Cousins 0-7 on 2 fly = 145 pts (wins a Greentop giftcard)

Parks Rountrey 0-6 on 2 spin = 98 pts

Perch Weight:

Parks Rountrey 0-6 (wins a Greentop giftcard)

More Tournament news on page 9...

Tournament News

BERNIE SKYDANEK MEMORIAL EASTERN SHORE VA SURF-RED DRUM MAY 14-15 (BLOW DATE MAY 21-22)

Back by popular demand. Our Club has not done this for years. Don't miss this one! Our tourney date is near peak of the spring drum migration. You should have waders, a fairly shallow draft boat (or ride with a fellow member) and be prepared for a long hike after anchoring your boat in shallow water behind a barrier island. Contact **event chairman Bob Shepherd** to confirm your participation and also to check event dates if weather or surf conditions are questionable.

Times: Sun-up Saturday to Sundown Sunday

Location: Barrier Islands of Virginia Eastern Shore

For those who may be unfamiliar with the Eastern Shore, but still would like to fish, please contact Bob Shepherd (tournament chairman). Bob will be glad to lead people to the fishing grounds (keeping in mind that different sized boats may have to take different paths to access the islands).

Tips: Peeler crabs and fresh cut bait (such as croakers, whiting, bluefish, menhaden, etc.) are all good red drum baits. Black drum are frequently caught from the surf this time of year as well, so fishing with peeler crabs opens the opportunity to catch those as well. A half dozen peeler crabs can get an angler through the day when things are slow, but on a good bite, or when bait stealers are prevalent, it's not uncommon to burn through 1.5 dozen peelers per angler per day.

Bob's contact info:

email: bshepherd@medivisuals.com

cell: 804-241-0870 (sometimes unaccessible at Bob's Eastern Shore cottage) Bob's Eastern Shore

land line: 757-678-7847

Social gathering at Mike Ostrander's parent's house from 5:00 to 6:30 PM Saturday will include grilling burgers – and or fish, sides, and bring your favorite beverage. There may also be room to pitch a tent at Mike's parents property – call Mike for details (cell 938-2350)

Parks will be out of town Saturday but you can still register your catches by calling or e-mail entries to Angling Activities Chairman Parks Rountrey 804-349-6001 (prountrey@comcast.net).

Special Rules for this event: Since there are no line classes in surf division - all red drum will be entered in the weight division (largest fish wins). Any other species of fish caught in the surf will be entered based on points calculated by surf base weights.

One angler can win both weight and points divisions by entering 2 different fish.

One angler can only enter two fish.

Call in entries within 24 hours from the end of tournament to Angling Activities Chairman Parks Rountrey 804-349-6001. You can not change an entry once you have registered it with the Chairman. You do not need to fill out cards to turn in for the tournament, but do need a card if you want it to be registered as a club entry.

Tournament First Place Awards for both weight and points = Anglers Choice: Traditional pewter cup, \$40 Greentop gift certificate or a VAC Banquet ticket.

VIRGINIA ANGLERS CLUB - 4/16/11

<u>SPECIES</u>	<u>ANGLER</u>	<u>WEIGHT</u>	<u>LN</u>	<u>DIV.</u>	<u>PTS</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>BAIT</u>
2010 SPECIES LEADERS - SALTWATER								
BASS, STRIPED	F Cousins	5-0	2	Fly	166	12/18/10	Elizabeth River, Va.	Clouser
SEATROUT, SPOTTED	F Cousins	6-12	2	Spin	450	1/16/11	Elizabeth River, VA	Jig w/Grub
2010 SPECIES LEADERS - FRESHWATER								
BASS, LARGEMOUTH	Robbie Robinson	4-8	2	Plug	300	3/12/11	Chickahominy River, VA	Blade Bait
BOWFIN	Robbie Robinson	6-12	2	Plug	337	3/12/11	Chickahominy River, VA	Blade Bait
CATFISH, BLUE	B Shepherd	57-0	6	Gen	536	2/12/11	James River, VA	Cut Shad
CATFISH, FLATHEAD	J Sheffield	27-8	6	Gen	321	2/28/11	James River, VA	Minnow
CRAPPIE, ALL	Robbie Robinson	1-4	2	Spin	198	3/13/11	Chickahominy River, VA	Jig/grub
GAR, ALL	RL White	11-14	2	Spin	431	3/2/11	James River, VA	Grub
PERCH, WHITE	F Cousins	1-2	2	Fly	375	12/18/10	Elizabeth River, VA	Clouser
PERCH, YELLOW	M Cline	1-4	2	Spin	328	3/12/11	Chickahominy River, VA	Blade Bait
SHAD, AMERICAN	JH Sheffield	5-0	2	Spin	400	3/18/11	Rocky Mount, NC	Shad Darts (2)
SHAD, HICKORY	ES Johnston	1-12	2	Fly	250	3/21/11	James River, VA	Fly
SUNFISH, ALL	D Nobles	0-8	6	Fly	113	3/22/11	Pvt. Pond Lanesville, VA	Golden Retriever
TROUT, RAINBOW	D Nobles	2-2	4	Fly	120	3/29/11	Beaver Creek, VA	Crawdad Fly

2010 DIVISION LEADERS - SALTWATER								
BASS, STRIPED	F Cousins	5-0	2	Fly	166	12/18/10	Elizabeth River, Va.	Clouser
SEATROUT, SPOTTED	F Cousins	6-12	2	Spin	450	1/16/11	Elizabeth River, VA	Jig w/Grub

2010 DIVISION LEADERS - FRESHWATER								
GAR, ALL	RL White	11-14	2	Spin	431	3/2/11	James River, VA	Grub
PERCH, WHITE	F Cousins	1-2	2	Fly	375	12/18/10	Elizabeth River, Va.	Clouser
CATFISH, BLUE	F Cousins	30-0	2	Plug	461	2/6/11	James River, VA	Silver Buddy
CATFISH, BLUE	B Shepherd	57-0	6	Gen	536	2/12/11	James River, VA	Cut Shad

2009 SPECIES LEADERS LARGEST - SALTWATER

BASS, STRIPED	F Cousins	5-0
SEATROUT, SPOTTED	F Cousins	6-12

2009 SPECIES LEADERS LARGEST - FRESHWATER

BASS, LARGEMOUTH	W Nicar	8-0
BOWFIN	J Doughty	10-8
CATFISH, BLUE	L. Houser	76-8
CATFISH, FLATHEAD	J Sheffield	27-8
CRAPPIE, ALL	J Doughty	1-12
GAR, ALL	RL White	11-14
PERCH, WHITE	F Cousins	1-4
PERCH, YELLOW	M Cline	1-4
SHAD, AMERICAN	JH Sheffield	5-0
SHAD, HICKORY	JH Sheffield	2-0
SUNFISH, ALL	D Nobles	0-8
TROUT, RAINBOW	D Nobles	2-2

NEW CLUB RECORDS - FRESHWATER

CATFISH, FLATHEAD	J Sheffield	27-8	6	Gen	321	2/28/11	James River, VA	Minnow
BASS, LARGEMOUTH	Robbie Robinson	4-8	2	Plug	300	3/12/11	Chickahominy River, VA	Blade Bait
CATFISH, BLUE	L. Houser	76-8	12	Gen	531	2/27/11	James River, VA	Cut Shad





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Robert Thomas

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