

What happened to Summer!?!?



September 2013

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Next Membership Meeting:

September 24th, 2013 - 7:00 PM

DGIF Richmond Headquarters

4010 West Broad Street -Eastern-Most Building -
Enter at Rear - DGIF BOD Meeting Room



BACKLASH

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

SEPTEMBER PROGRAM

CATCHING ROCKFISH IN THE CHESAPEAKE BAY

Around this time of the year, some anglers start thinking about the upcoming season for fishing for rockfish in the Chesapeake Bay. Capt. Ryan Rogers, owner of Midnight Sun Charters, will present a program full of information of how to catch rockfish in this nearby body of water. Please turn to page 3 of this issue of The Angler to learn more about Ryan and his business.

OCTOBER PROGRAM

"WHAT'S NEW IN MARINE ELECTRONICS"

The speaker at the October 22, 2013 Membership Meeting will be Steve Lane from Green Top. He will give a talk about what is the latest marine electronic gear available for the sport angler. Bring your need-to-get lists and your questions about marine electronics. You may hear about an item that would fit in that empty corner of your center console.

ANGLING RULES COMMITTEE SEEKS MEMBER INPUT FOR 2014

The VAC Angling Rules Committee is seeking comments from any member about angling rules, awards, basic weights etc. that are felt to be needed for the 2014 Angling Year. The Committee will meet in the coming month and forward the Board of Directors for approval in November any item that comes before them that leads to a change in the Angling Rules.

The members of the Committee, Chaired by Stuart Lee, are ready to take any comments members might have. The other members are Bill Duval, Glenn Carter, Buddy and Danny Noland and Billy Nicar. Contact any member and let them know if you want a change in the Angling Rules discussed. Changes in Angling Rules, if any, will be announced at the November 24th Membership Meeting and covered in The Angler.



**VAC CONTRIBUTES TO BEAU BEASLEY'S
CROWN GRANT CLASSES**

A contributing \$200 dollars was made in August to the Virginia Conservation Network (<http://www.vcnva.org>) and was earmarked for Beau's Classes.

**INDIVIDUAL SUPPORT OF BEAU'S CROWN
GRANT CLASS**

Individual support of Beau Beasley's program to bring "Beau's Crown Grant Class" to all areas of the Commonwealth is easy to accomplish. A check made out to "Virginia Conservation Network" with "Beau's Crown Grant Class" written on the Memo line is all that it takes. Send the check to:

Virginia Conservation Network
422 East Franklin Street
Richmond, VA 23219

**SPECIAL RAFFLE – SEPTEMBER MEMBER-
SHIP MEETING***

A special raffle of a "Buff – the original multifunctional headwear" and a fly fishing guide, The Ultimate Fly Fishing Guide – Guide to the Great Smokey Mountains, will be held at the September Membership Meeting, the proceeds of which will support Beau's classes. See Don West for raffle tickets at the September Meeting. If you cannot attend, give some money to a fellow Member who will attend. He/she can buy tickets in your name. Please turn to page 3 for details of each of the auction items.

Note: This Special Raffle, originally scheduled for the August Membership Meeting, was not held at that Meeting.

**2014 DGIF OUTDOOR CALENDARS AVAILABLE
AT SEPTEMBER MEETING**

Special Activities Chairman Don West will have 2014 DGIF Outdoor Calendars for our annual calendar sale at the September Membership Meeting. The selling price remains the same as last year.... \$8.00 each. Please have your customers lined up and see Don for however many calendars you need. Generous terms are available for multiple copy "orders". Pay by cash or check.

If you cannot attend the September Meeting, read on....

HOME DELIVERY AVAILABLE !

Don West will personally deliver to you any number of 2014 DGIF Outdoor Calendars you will need for your sales. Call Don at his office at 371-6748 or his home at 897-8723 and let him know how many copies of the calendars you will need. Don will gladly deliver the number of calendars you need to your home, your business or where ever else it will be convenient for you to pick calendars up from Don.

**COUNTRY STORE WILL OPEN FOR THE
SEPTEMBER MEMBERSHIP MEETING**

The Country Store will be open at the September Membership Meeting. This opening in an odd numbered month is a make up opening for the missed appearance at the August Membership Meeting. If you have a special need for an item from the Country Store that you cannot be present to pick out of stock, please contact Storekeeper Eddy Johnston (fishhead55@hotmail.com) and arrange a special pick up.

**STEP UP AND HELP LEAD
THE VIRGINIA ANGLERS CLUB**

Our club just does not happen. A group of twenty-two (22) volunteer Members, some elected by the membership) form the Leadership Team of the Virginia Anglers Club. Some jobs require attending the monthly Board of Directors' Meeting (2nd Tuesday of each month) and other have attendance that is "seasonal" (eg. Banquet Chairman and Surf Team Captain). No prior experience is needed; just an interest and commitment to help the VAC offer the diverse programs and activities it provides to the Membership.

If you are interested in stepping forward for consideration to be part of the Leadership Team, please let President Glenn Carter know at:

glennfishes@gmail.com

FROM FROM THE TACKLE BOX

"My biggest worry is that my wife, when I am dead, will sell my fishing gear for what I said I paid for it" – Koos Brant

For The Leadership Team
John Wetlaufer, Sr., Secretary



MEET CAPT. RYAN ROGERS
- OUR SEPTEMBER SPEAKER -

Capt. Ryan Rogers, owner of Midnight Run Charters, will join us on September 24th to present a program about catching rockfish in the Chesapeake Bay. Ryan runs the charter boat Midnight Sun. Ryan has fished the Bay all of his life, so he knows his subject very well. Ryan's P.O. address is Reedville and his boat is located just inside where the Little Wicomico River enters the Chesapeake Bay. He offers angling trips to both Maryland and Virginia portions of the Chesapeake Bay, to the Potomac River and will venture out into the Atlantic Ocean. He will also take tours to Tangiers and Smith Island. Roger welcomes fly fishing and light tackle fishing from the Midnight Sun. Ryan holds a 100 ton inspected Coast Guard license.

You can find about Ryan's charter offerings by going to:
www.fishmidnightsun.com

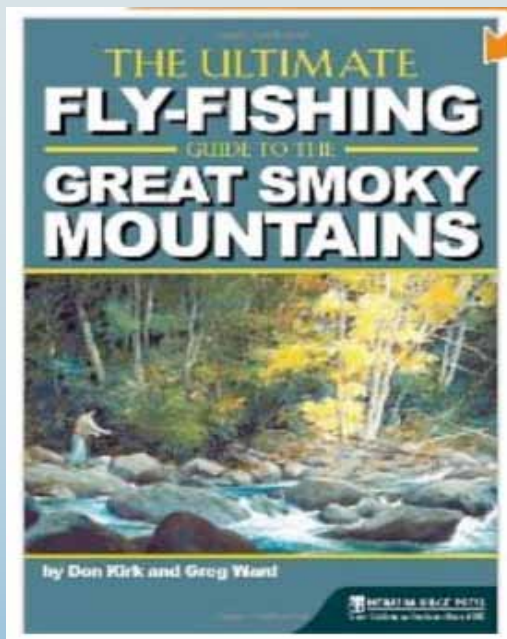


SPECIAL RAFFLE – SEPTEMBER MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Don West will have tickets for sale for the Special Raffle to support Beau Beasley's "Crown Grant Classes" in the coming year. The Buff and a copy of The Ultimate Fly Fishing Guide – Guide to the Great Smokey Mountains written by Don Kirk and Greg Ward and published by the Menahsha Ridge Press will be the raffle prizes. Tickets are the standard \$1.00 each, 6 for \$5.00.

The Buff is a versatile seamless tube of polyester fiber cloth that has un-numbered used for cold and warm weather protection and comfort. The best way to understand what a Buff is is to view the short video at:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TuPZAQuQijA>



The Guide, The Ultimate Fly Fishing Guide – Guide to the Great Smokey Mountains, is described as follows on the Amazon web site:

“The Ultimate Fly-Fishing Guide to the Smoky Mountains does more than any other book in print to bring success to a fishing trip. This newly updated landmark volume is an essential guide for anyone planning to fish the rivers, streams, and lakes in the Smokies — these fisheries are some of the greatest in the nation. For successful fly-fishing, this guide is as important as the right tackle.

The first half of this guide offers advice and history. The second half examines each of the 13 watersheds found within the park. Don Kirk and Greg Ward provide information about trail access, fishing pressure and quality, species, fly hatch information, and campsite availability.”

Here is an image of the Guide copied from the Amazon Website at:

<http://www.amazon.com/Ultimate-Fly-Fishing-Guide-Smoky-Mountains/dp/0897326911>

(Sorry, but the “click here” works only on the web site)



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If you have a need to report to the VA Marine Resources Commission any emergency,
boating accident or other violation, call the Marine Police Dispatch Center
toll free at 1-800-541-4646

NEW TECHNOLOGY IN FISH LENGTH MEASUREMENT





TOURNAMENT NEWS

BY LEE ROTHGEB

SEPT 14-15 NEW RIVER VA SMALLMOUTH TOURNAMENT RESULTS

River was beautiful, and a great classic sunny cool fall weekend. Unfortunately only 3 club members and 1 guest participated.

Weight:

Steve Knox	2-8 (wins Greentop giftcard)
Steve Knox	1-15
Bobby Broughton	1-12

Points:

Bobby Broughton 1-8 on 6# spin for 85 pts (wins Greentop giftcard)

NEXT TOURNAMENT - VIRGINIA SPECKLED TROUT (October 26th and 27th)

(Details coming in the October issue of The Angler)



New River



Wrong specie for the tournament

VIRGINIA ANGLERS CLUB - 8/10/13 (Not updated for Sept)

SPECIES	ANGLER	WEIGHT/LN	DIV.	PTS	DATE	LOCATION	BAIT	
2013 SPECIES LEADERS - SALTWATER								
AMBERJACK, GREATER	B Broughton	18-8	12	Plug	123	07/05/13 Oregon Inlet, NC	Bucktail	
BASS, STRIPED	F. Cousins	45-0	4	Gen	750	12/17/12 Chesapeake Bay, VA	Live Eel	
COBIA	A. Campbell	18-0	20	Fly	90	07/08/13 York Spit Cannel	Baitfish Pattern	
CROAKER	RJ Brown		1-4	2	Spin	186	06/24/13 York River, VA	Jig
DRUM, BLACK	B Shepherd	42-0	30	Surf	350	4/26/13 Barrier Islands, VA	Peeler Crab	
DRUM, RED	Robbie Robinson	55-0	8	Plug	687	07/21/13 CBBT	Jig / Gulp	
FLOUNDER, SUMMER	L Huss	4-3	12	Gen	104	06/21/13 Lynnhaven Inlet, VA	Gulp/Mullet Combo	
SEATROUT, SPOTTED	Robbie Robinson	8-0	2	Spin	533	5/26/13 Mobjack Bay, VA	Jig-Jerk Bait	

2013 SPECIES LEADERS - FRESHWATER

BASS, LARGEMOUTH	B Shepherd	3-10	2	Spin	241	3/11/13 Private Pond, VA	Grub
CATFISH, BLUE	RJ Brown	43-0	8	Gen	361	4/3/13 James River, VA	Cut Bait
CATFISH, FLATHEAD	L Rothgeb	26-0	20	Gen	154	4/10/13 James River, VA	Cut Bait
CRAPPIE, ALL	M Cline	1-11	2	Plug	267	1/12/13 Chickahominy River, VA	Blade Bait
PERCH, WHITE	F Cousins	0-12	2	Spin	197	07/10/13 East River	Grub
PERCH, YELLOW	RJ Brown	1-1	2	Spin	279	1/22/13 Chickahominy River, VA	Grub Tail
PICKERAL, CHAIN	M Cline	4-10	2	Plug	462	2/2/13 Chickahominy River, VA	Blade Bait
SHAD, AMERICAN	M Kodroff	3-12	4	Spin	224	3/21/13 Tar River, NC	Dart
SHAD, HICKORY	R Choi	2-2	4	Fly	252	3/24/13 James River, VA	Shad Fly
SUNFISH, ALL	JP Rountrey	0-10	2	Fly	208	4/17/13 Private Pond, VA	Shad Fly
SUNFISH, REDEAR	W Nicar	1-4	4	Gen	125	5/23/13 Lake Prince, VA	Night Crawler
TROUT, BROOK	D Nobles	0-15	2	Fly	133	5/24/13 Spring Creek, VA	Nymph

2013 DIVISION LEADERS - SALTWATER

SEATROUT, SPOTTED	Robbie Robinson	8-0	2	Spin	533	5/26/13 Mobjack Bay, VA	Jig-Jerk Bait
SEATROUT, SPOTTED	F. Cousins	4-2	2	Spin	275	12/28/12 Elizabeth River, VA	Mirrolure
SEATROUT, SPOTTED	S. Lee	4-12	8	Plug	158	12/4/12 James River, VA	Zoom Cluke
SEATROUT, SPOTTED	S. Lee	5-0	8	Fly	208	12/24/12 James River, VA	Half and Half
BASS, STRIPED	F. Cousins	45-0	4	Gen	750	12/17/12 Chesapeake Bay, VA	Live Eel
DRUM, BLACK	B Shepherd	42-0	30	Surf	350	4/26/13 Barrier Islands, VA	Peeler Crab

2013 DIVISION LEADERS - FRESHWATER

PERCH, YELLOW	RJ Brown	1-1	2	Spin	279	1/22/13 Chickahominy River, VA	Grub Tail
PICKERAL, CHAIN	M Cline	4-10	2	Plug	462	2/2/13 Chickahominy River, VA	Blade Bait
SHAD, HICKORY	R Choi	2-2	4	Fly	252	3/24/13 James River, VA	Shad Fly
PERCH, YELLOW	JP Rountrey	1-3	2	Gen	252	1/20/13 Chickahominy River, VA	Live Minnow

2013 SPECIES LEADERS LARGEST - SALTWATER

AMBERJACK, GREATER	B Broughton	18-8
BASS, STRIPED	F. Cousins	45-0
CROAKER	Robbie Robinson	1-5
COBIA	A. Campbell	18-0
DRUM, BLACK	B Shepherd	42-0
DRUM, RED	Robbie Robinson	55-0
FLOUNDER, SUMMER	B Schepker	6-14
SEATROUT, SPOTTED	Robbie Robinson	8-0

2013 SPECIES LEADERS LARGEST - FRESHWATER

BASS, LARGEMOUTH	B Shepherd	8-4
CATFISH, BLUE	RJ Brown	43-0
CATFISH, FLATHEAD	L Rothgeb	26-0
CRAPPIE, ALL	M Cline	1-11
PERCH, WHITE	F Cousins	0-12
PERCH, YELLOW	JP Rountrey	1-3
PICKERAL, CHAIN	M Cline	4-10
SHAD, AMERICAN	M Kodroff	3-12
SHAD, HICKORY	JH Sheffield	2-6
SUNFISH, ALL	RJ Brown	0-12
SUNFISH, REDEAR	W Nicar	1-4
TROUT, BROOK	D Nobles	0-15



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NEW CLUB RECORDS - SALTWATER								
SEATROUT, SPOTTED	S. Lee	4-12	8	Plug	158	12/4/12	James River, VA	Zoom Cluke
SEATROUT, SPOTTED	S. Lee	5-0	8	Fly	208	12/24/12	James River, VA	Half and Half
BASS, STRIPED	F. Cousins	45-0	4	Gen	750	12/17/12	Chesapeake Bay, VA	Live Eel
MACKEREL, CERO	JP Rountrey	9-0	20	Gen	120	1/15/13	Fort Lauderdale, FL	Live Bait
DRUM, BLACK	B Shepherd	42-0	30	Surf	350	4/26/13	Barrier Islands, VA	Peeler Crab
SEATROUT, SPOTTED	L Allen	7-9	4	Gen	302	06/30/13	Fleets Bay, VA	Live Minnow
NEW CLUB RECORDS - FRESHWATER								
PICKERAL, CHAIN	M Cline	4-10	2	Plug	462	2/2/13	Chickahominy River, VA	Blade Bait
BASS, LARGEMOUTH	A Campbell	7-8	12	Fly	234	2/9/13	Private Lake, VA	Half & Half Clouser
CATFISH, FLATHEAD	L Rothgeb	26-0	20	Gen	154	4/10/13	James River, VA	Cut Bait
HIGHEST POINT NON-LOCAL CATCHES - SALTWATER								
MACKEREL, CERO	JP Rountrey	9-0	20	Gen	120	1/15/13	Fort Lauderdale, FL	Live Bait
SEATROUT, SPOTTED	D. Nobles	3-12	8	Spin	125	4/15/13	Mosquito Lagoon, FL	DOA Plastic

2013 C.V. KINNARD AWARD COMPETITION - THRU 6/10/13

<u>ANGLER</u>	<u>FIRSTS</u>	<u>SECONDS</u>	<u>THIRDS</u>	<u>PLACES</u>	<u>POINTS</u>	<u>AVERAGE</u>
Bob Brown	4	1	1	6	1397	232
Bob Shepherd	1	0	1	2	516	258
Parks Rountrey	0	2	0	2	460	230
Fred Cousins	0	1	0	1	248	248
Andrew Campbell	1	0	1	1	234	234
Billy Nicar	0	0	1	1	147	147
Lee Huss	0	1	0	0	104	104



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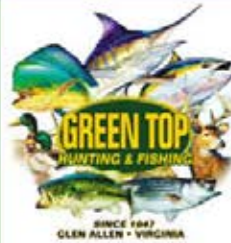
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