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NEXT MEMBERSHIP MEETING –
TUESDAY, May 26, 2015 7:00 pm
-----NEW LOCATION!!!-----
ANNA’S ITALIAN RESTAURANT
7017 Mechanicsville Turnpike (Rt. 360)
Mechanicsville, VA 23111 (804) 730-7203

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

NEW LOCATION FOR THIS UPCOMING MEETING
Anna’s is located in the shopping center diagonally across from Lee-Davis High School. Coming east into Mechanicsville, at the 5th traffic light east of I-295 on Route 360 east, turn right at the light and then left at the entrance to the shopping center (left at Tractor Supply). If you are coming west into Mechanicsville on Route 360 west, turn left at the light at the Walgreens Drug Store and then left at the entrance to the shopping center (left at Tractor Supply).

The room is reserved starting at 6:00 PM. Come early and try the food. After the BOD held their May meeting at Anna’s, Anna’s was selected as another potential meeting place to try with food and beverage service.

MAY PROGRAM –
VDGIF SHAD POPULATION ENHANCEMENT

The most popular fishing “season” with the Virginia Anglers Club is likely the shad run on the James River that occurs annually right in our own back yard. Bob Greenlee, Eastern Regional Aquatic Resources Manager at the VDGIF Suffolk, VA office, will give a presentation about what the VDGIF is doing in its program to enhance the population of this sought after species. Bob seeks our input and will welcome comments about VAC Member’s experiences, observations and future expectations for the shad fishery. Bob is also the DGIV representative in the Suffolk Area for the Agencies fishing tackle loaner program.

APRIL FISH FRY - GREAT FUN AND GREAT EATS

Highlighted by spectacular food prepared and served by the famous VAC Fry Team, the 2015 edition of the Annual VAC Fish Fry is in the books and will be remembered as another great social event for the VAC. Those who attended were treated to Jeff Doughty’s homemade Wahoo salad and regular and high test hush puppies. There must have been at least 10 species of fish to sample. In addition to Jeff, the dinner was prepared by Buddy, Danny and Ryan Noland, Billy Nicar and Willis Thompson.

The son of new member Doug Moran, 16 year old Max Moran, gave seasoned VAC casters a lesson in casting and won the distance fly casting contest. Max won two gift cards and Rob won one gift card, all generously donated by Green Top. If you want some casting lessons, Max said he could work you in after school one day.
**NEXT TOURNAMENT - BERNIE SKYDANEK MEMORIAL EASTERN SHORE VA SURF**
*May 23, 2015 – (One Day Only)*

Bob Shepherd is leading this special opportunity to fish the secluded beaches of the barrier islands of Virginia. Bob needs a head count for this tournament, so please let Bob know if you are going to fish this tournament.

Please see the complete write-up on page 10 of this issue of The Angler.

**NEXT VAC EXPEDITION – POP-N-FLY – WESTERN BRANCH RESERVOIR**
*Saturday, June 6, 2015*

Pan Fish and Bass – Coordinator Andrew Campbell

The second VAC Expedition will be held on Saturday, June 6, 2015 on the Western Branch Reservoir. Complete details are found on page 7 of this issue of The Angler.

**JAMES RIVER BLUE CATFISH INFO SESSION – MAY 28th**

On Thursday evening, May 28th, Bob Greenlee, Eastern Regional Aquatic Resources Manager, Virginia Department of Game and Inland Fisheries, will lead an informal information session on fishery and trends of the blue catfish in the James River. The meeting will start at 6:00 PM and will be held at the DGIF Charles City office, Route 5 (3801 John Tyler Memorial Highway, Charles City, VA).

Blue Catfish have for many years provided a world class trophy fishery that is in a decline, and will likely continue to decline to some unknown point. After four decades this population has past the post-introduction boom of rapid expansion and very fast individual growth rates. The population has now entered a period of decline towards an as yet unknown equilibrium state. Individual growth rates have declined significantly, and continue to decline, and the VDGIF recently documented dramatic declines in abundance. So, times are changing, and are likely to continue to change in the foreseeable future.

The information session will also cover some interesting management scenarios are playing out within the Chesapeake Bay drainage. Interested anglers are encouraged to be part of this discussion.

All interested Members of the Virginia Anglers Club are encouraged to take advantage of this informative opportunity.

**CBF ANNOUNCES NEW INFORMATION PACKAGE**
**THE HISTORY AND VALUE OF THREE-DIMENSIONAL OYSTER REEFS**

VAC Member John Page Williams, Senior Naturalist for the Chesapeake Bay Foundation has forwarded word of a new of information about the history and value of three-dimensional oyster reefs on CBF’s Anglers for Clean Water website. For a quick overview of the contents of the package with some links related to the contents, please turn to page 9 of this issue of The Angler.

**VDGIF HEADQUARTERS HAS MOVED TO NEW LOCATION**

The VDGIF is now located at 7870 Villa Park Drive. The move has given the VADGIF a single roof under which to locate all of personnel formerly located in three buildings on West Broad Street and a location that has ample covered room to store equipment and motor vehicles. Villa Park Drive is easy to access. Coming onto Parham Road West from I-95, pass thru the traffic light at Brook Road. At the next traffic light, take a left on to Villa Park Drive and drive 0.6 miles. Coming north on Brook Road from Richmond, at the next traffic light past the Brookside Grille & Bar, take a left onto Villa Park Drive.

**SCALE CERTIFICATION NOW AVAILABLE ONLY BY REQUEST**

All future certifications will be by appointment only. To request an appointment for scale certification, please contact:

Ryan Noland at ryan.n.noland@usa.dupont.com or at (804)-658-1955 (Home) or at (894)-896-4178 (Cell)

Danny Noland at danny.n.noland@usa.dupont.com or at (804)-858-0650 (Home) or at (804)-383-3736 (Office)

Remember the following scale preparation pointers:

- Be sure your scales are operating freely and free of rust.
- Clean the outside of the barrel so certification stickers will adhere
- Gather your scales together in one or two Zip Lock type bags.
- Write your name on the outside of the bag.
- Leave your bagged scales on the certification team’s table (just inside the entry door to the DGIF building).
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First VAC Expedition – Chickahominy Lake – Now History

Expedition Summary by Capt. Art Conway – Expedition Leader

The Virginia Anglers Club’s small but very enthusiastic expedition to Chickahominy Lake set out from Ed Allen’s Boats and Bait at 9 AM on Saturday (5/9/2015). Water temperatures were in the mid to high 70’s in the main lake and the lake level was a few inches above the top of the dam. The water was light to moderately brown and very slightly turbid in the lower lake, which is typical for this time of year. The weather was cloudy and overcast when we set out, but cleared within an hour and we had a beautiful day with relatively light winds. Bluegills were in loose clusters on the banks, interspersed with a scattering of other species, all of which hit a variety of small jigs on light spinning gear. Karen Anderson, Maggie Billingslea, and Art Conway released 31 bluegill, 1 shellcracker, 3 crappie, 4 yellow perch, and 1 bass by 1 PM, at which point we repaired to Lakeside Restaurant for lunch. We had a really fun day and plan to reassemble the crew to do it again as soon as schedules permit.

Karen Anderson with a Crappie

“right at 12 inches and about 15 ounces” as reported by Art Conway.

Maggie Billingslea with a Shellcracker

“a little over 8 inches and about 8 ounces”, as reported by Art Conway.
In late April, New Members Jack Dietrich and Doug Moran were voted into Membership in the Virginia Anglers Club. A picture of each new member and a brief bio for each member follows below.

NEW MEMBER JACK DIETRICH
Jack is recently retired and is ready to devote more time to his main angling interest, freshwater fishing. He lives in Mechanicsville. Among the species that Jack has landed over the past five years are largemouth bass, hickory shad, catfish, croaker, shark and blue fish. Jack would like to gain knowledge and experience fishing the rivers around Richmond and then move on to the Chesapeake Bay and other Virginia Tidal Areas. Jack’s first VAC meeting was the March Membership Meeting and he got a good taste of the social side of the VAC at the April Fish Fry. If you have room on your boat for another angler, please consider Jack. If you have the experience that Jack is seeking and no boat, contact Jack who will be glad to carry you along on his 14 foot Triumph outboard.

NEW MEMBER DOUG MORAN
At the moment, Doug may be better known as the father of “Max, The Caster” Moran of fish fry casting contest fame. Both live in Henrico. Doug is a lifelong angler and has, like many of us, had the joy of having a son who took up angling with such passion that the dad’s angling has been taken to a new level. Doug is a kayak angler, fishing from a 13 foot kayak while accompanied by Max in a similar craft. Doug’s membership application listed 10 freshwater species as the fish he caught during the past five years and he has landed citation white marlin, small mouth bass and blue catfish. Doug is anxious to expand his knowledge of angling and to enjoy the fellowship offered by the Virginia Anglers Club. Doug’s first meeting was the March Membership Meeting. Doug was out of town for the fish fry, but Max and Doug’s wife, Laurie, represented him at the fish fry. If you are looking for a kayak angler alongside of whom to fish or just information on fishing from a kayak, Doug is the man to see.

WISDOM FROM THE TACKLE BOX
“There he stands, draped in more equipment than a telephone lineman, trying to outwit an organism with a brain no bigger than a breadcrumb, and getting licked in the process.” ~Paul O’Neil, 1965

For The Leadership Team,
John Wetlaufer, Sr.
Membership Chairman
The weather in central Virginia has finally stabilized, and one would think that the fishing would be taking off. Judging from entries from club members, this is not the case. Our members are either not fishing much, or they are not entering any of their catches.

Fred Cousins fished inside Rudee Inlet one day in late April and caught some nice bluefish, up to 5½ lbs., which is a size that we seldom see in our area. Rob Choi has been fishing the Eastern Shore’s Barrier Islands for big drum and, like most drum fishermen, he is not saying much.

I have always been intrigued how the big drum seem to appear almost everywhere along the coast at about the same time. Often they will show up in North Carolina at Ocracoke and Hatteras and Virginia’s Eastern Shore in the same week. Most people believe that our Virginia drum migrate north after spending the winter in the offshore waters off North Carolina. I am not sure that this is necessarily true.

The single best fisherman that I have ever encountered in my lifetime is a guy named Bobby Scarborough, who lives in Hatteras and who ran a charter boat named the Red Fin I out of Oden’s Dock in Hatteras for years. In the mid-1970’s, he bought a big trawl boat and started commercial fishing full time. He told me some years after he started commercial fishing that the largest bunch of big red drum that he had ever encountered was off Smith Island, Virginia in deep water in mid-January.

This would indicate that perhaps some portion of the big drum population that we see in Virginia in the warm weather simply go offshore when it gets cold and work back to the beach and the Bay when the water warms. This is what Bobby Scarborough told me that he believed.

An east-west rather than a north-south migration of the drum would better explain how they seem to show up everywhere at about the same time each year.

Finally, I would like to commend Will Mosley for taking his mother croaker fishing last weekend for Mother’s Day.

Stuart

Andrew Campbell with a NC shark on fly
Pretty work from Jay Blankenship on a NC shark.

Andrew Campbell showing us how Cobia on Fly is done.
SECOND VAC EXPEDITION – WESTERN BRANCH RESERVOIR
SATURDAY JUNE 6TH.

VAC Expedition: Pop – N – Fly~

Join Andrew Campbell on a fly fishing adventure on Western Branch Reservoir one of Virginia’s premier trophy Pan Fish and Bass waters!

We will be invading this water way on the first weekend in May PRIME TIME for top water in shallow water~

Boats will be launched 6-7 AM from the fishing station located on Girl Scout Road (Route 605) below the Lake Prince Dam. Bank fishing is prohibited. Gas motors up to 9.9 horsepower are allowed. The City of Norfolk has amended their codes to allow boats with outboard motors larger than 9.9 horse power to access the lake if the outboard is disabled (prop removed or fuel removed). The boat ramp and lake are open sunrise to sunset and a Norfolk boat permit is required.

Information on boat permits; http://www.norfolk.gov

Things to bring; polarized sun glasses, drinking water, fly rods 2 – 6 weight rods or ultra-light spinning rods and a selection of brim and bass poppers and lunch~

VGIF Biologist; “Western Branch would have to be my top pick for big shellcrackers, or more properly, redear sunfish. The large expanse of sandy, stump-infested flats and points in the lower end of the lake offer perhaps the best habitat in Tidewater to catch a trophy redear.”

So bring your scales … It might just be your lucky day!!!

Contact: Andrew Campbell
804 658 8297
campbellx2@verizon.net

Good advice to all anglers

HELP KEEP ANGLING LEGAL – REPORT VIOLATIONS

Freshwater
If you suspect or witness an angling or hunting violation, report it to VADGIF Wildlife Crimeline at 1-800-237-5712.

Saltwater
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
FROM RECENT EDITIONS OF DGIF’S THE OUTDOOR REPORT

TROUT UNLIMITED TRI-STATE CONSERVATION AND FISHING CAMP
JUNE 21-26 IN MADISON

Young men and women aged 13-17 should check out the Trout Unlimited [TU] Tri-State Camp, a week-long residential camp where they will learn fly casting, fly tying, and fish daily for native brook trout in the Shenandoah National Park and other locations. Campers will learn about wildlife conservation and the protection of water quality, and their importance to fishing and our ecosystems. Join professional instructors, State and Federal fisheries biologists, and conservation professionals in a fun learning environment. Learn more and apply online at www.tucamp.org. Cost is $800 for the week, all inclusive, and financial sponsorships are available. Apply now, space is limited!

CONSERVATION POLICE OFFICERS MAKE AN INTERESTING CATCH

On April 12, 2015 Senior Conservation Police Officer Hurst and Officer Boyette were patrolling the New River in Carroll County. While checking fishing licenses they noticed two individuals backing an old boat into a nearby landing. The boat was not registered and did not have any motor mounted. Officers noted that it seemed like a big boat for that area of the river, and continued down the river to a vantage point overlooking the river. The officers were observing several fishermen, when Senior Officer Hurst saw that the boat had been set adrift in the river. Several miles down the road officers were able to locate and stop the truck pulling the now empty boat trailer. Initially the men stated that they had left the boat tied up at the landing, but with further questioning the true story came out. The passenger admitted that the boat was his and he was abandoning it because it would cost more to fix than it was worth. The driver, the owner’s cousin, admitted to helping his cousin take the boat to the river and setting it adrift. Officers and the men went back to the landing where men were able to retrieve the boat from a shallow area where it had become stuck. With the boat loaded back on the trailer, the men started back to the owner’s house with officers following them. Soon the truck was forced to stop when one of the trailer’s wheels fell off, rolled over the bank and into the river. With one tire flat and the other now missing, the officers instructed the men to leave the boat on the side of the road and return to get it the next day. Both individuals were charged with littering/dumping in a public waterway, and the boat was removed the next day. Both men admitted to officers that they had made a dumb decision in abandoning the boat, and it seemed quite fitting that one man was wearing a tee-shirt that read, “Not even duct tape can fix stupid – it only muffles the sound.”

It includes:
- A 28-slide PowerPoint presentation with script that CBF’s Fishery Director, Bill Goldsborough, developed for fishing clubs and other groups. It has been well received by multiple groups in MD, and we’d like to offer it to cbf.org visitors, as well get it in front of VA angling groups.
- A four-minute video of the oyster community that has colonized a reef ball planted in Tangier Sound in 2003 (not originally set with spat),
- An oyster quiz; for each person who takes it, the Orvis Company will donate a dollar ($1) to CBF’s restoration program,
- An illustrated story about fishing two restoration reefs in Maryland, and
- A Fish Stories link for club members (and any other angler) to post a profile about what clean water means to them (Hint for those of you who haven’t posted yet: check out Kendall Osborne’s excellent piece, Every Little Bit Makes a Difference!).
Red Drum, known scientifically as *Sciaenops ocellatus*, also go by other names like Channel Bass, Puppy Drum, Red Bass or Redfish. Black Drum known scientifically as *Pogonias cromis* is also known as Striped Drum.

Drum gets their name from the sound they create from their swim bladders, which resembles that of a beating drum. Fishing for Drum usually starts around April for Black Drum and early May for Reds. Black Drum fishing kicks off when the Dogwoods are blooming and continues usually through November. Anglers start to search for Drum along the coast of the Eastern Shore around the Concrete Ships and the Barrier Islands of the Eastern Shore.

Now for gear; Leaders traditionally range from 50-80 pounds. Hooks range from 7/0-9/0 again depending on bait size. Circle hooks are encouraged and should be used on softer baits and whenever possible to help prevent the fish from gut hooking. The preferred bait for Drum is crab. You want to remove the top of the shell and cut the crab into two pieces. Run the hook through a leg hole and then into the meat of the crab. A trick to help with spinning is to take a rubber band and wrap the legs along the shank of the hook. You can also use fresh chunks of menhaden or spot.

When someone assists the angler fighting the fish by taking hold of the leader, that person must be within one rod length of the angler fighting the fish.

**TIP:** When using circle hook, reel down and lift slowly to set the hook after letting the fish eat for a moment. Once hooked, tighten the drag slowly to Strike and enjoy the fight.

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 tournament guide Bob Shepherd before the 10th to confirm your participation and also to check if weather or surf conditions are questionable and may lead to a blow.

**Times:** Sun-up Saturday to Sundown Saturday  
**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. 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 spot, 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 inaccessible at Bob’s Eastern Shore cottage)  
Bob’s Eastern Shore land line: 757-678-7847

- Tournament First Place Awards for both weight and points = Anglers Choice: Traditional pewter cup, $40 Green Top gift certificate or a VAC Banquet ticket.
- We will recognize three places for heaviest weight fish caught and three places for highest point fish caught. First = 3 pts. Second = 2 pts. Third = 1 pt. These points will apply towards the annual Tournament Angler of the Year competition.
- Each fish entered must be specified as a points entry or a weight entry, but can not qualify in both categories. Only two fish of each specified tournament species can be entered in any tournament.
- The 2015 Tournament Chairman is Andrew (“Drew”) Campbell. To qualify, tournament entries must be sent to Drew within 24 hours of the end of each tournament.
- The preferred method of notification is the E-Card (electronic entry card) with the Tournament box checked. Andrew will automatically get your tournament entry E-Card if the Tournament box is checked.
- Tournament entries can be submitted to any via E-Mail to Andy at campbellx2@verizon.net or phoned in at (804) 658-8297.
### ANNUAL AWARDS 2015

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