



September 2026

VIRGINIA BEACH ANGLERS CLUB

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Upcoming Events

Upcoming Events:

Monthly Meeting: Foundry United Methodist Church.

When: September 3, 2026 at 6:30 P M.

Where: Foundry United Methodist Church

2801 Virginia Beach Boulevard

Virginia Beach, VA 23452

Speaker: Mark and/or Kyle from the Rudee Angler

Subject: Fishing the offshore turbines & how the turbines are relieving the pressure on the near shore wrecks.

9/10 thru 9/12 – Hatteras Village Invitational Surf Fishing Tournament.

9/12 - Crab Creek Cleanup.

If you would like to help, please meet Ronnie at the Crab Creek boat ramp on Saturday morning at 9:30. There will be food afterward for the participants.

9/17 - Board Meeting – Foundry United Methodist Church.

9/18 & 9/19 – Red Drum Classic Surf Fishing Tournament.

VBAC Fishing Roulette 2026

Species

Angler

Weight

Bowfin

Russell Willoughby

4lb 3oz.

Spot

Liam Schramm

8 oz.

Sheepshead

Cobia

George Gabriel

49lb 4oz.

Tautog

Roulette Submissions
Virginia Beach Anglers Club:
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Ike Eisenhower –
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Want-to-go-fishing?

See Page 16.

The President's Message

Hopefully cooler weather will make fishing more tolerable as well as improve the bite. its been a lost summer for me in terms of fishing, but I'm back in the game in September. I am hoping the slot Drum fishing picks up in the Lynnhaven, but it has been rough due to the cold stun die off last winter. Flounder and Drum fishing have been reported to be pretty good at the CBBT. The wind turbines have produced stellar reports of not only BSBs and Flounder, but Dolphin and some Cobia. Speaking of BSBs, I'm finalizing the BSB trip on the Rudee Angler on 24 October. It will be a 9 hour trip, and will cost around 150 bucks with the club picking up the tip for the mates. I will send out an email when the trip is finalized, but mark your calendar if you want to go. The big News for September is the Red Drum classic. We really want this to go off well, so please participate and think of volunteering. I know Patty needs a couple more food servers. Its really shaping up to be a stellar event, with tons of sponsored giveaways and Randy's famous Barbecue. We have one more crab creek cleanup on 12 Sept. Please take pictures of your fish and report for the Newsletter.

No Oyster Toads,
Rich

Prize Fish

2026 Prize Fish Leaders for June

Freshwater Catch

Species	Angler	Division	Date	Weight	Location

Freshwater Release

Species	Angler	Division	Date	Length	Location
Black Crappie	Micki Walsh	Ladies	3/21/2026	14.125	Lake Smith
Black Crappie	Russell Willoughby	Mens	2/1/2026	14.5	Lake Smith
Largemouth Bass	Randy Whitman	Mens	3/28/2026	20	Lake Smith
Bluegill	Randy Whitman	Mens	3/25/2026	9.5	Back Bay
Chain Pickerel	Nancy Whitman	Ladies	4/12/2026	18	Back Bay
Chain Pickerel	Randy Whitman	Mens	5/4/2026	21.5	Back Bay
Yellow Perch	Randy Whitman	Mens	3/22/2026	10	Back Bay
Yellow Perch	Nancy Whitman	Ladies	4/3/2026	10.5	Back Bay
Sunfish (other)	Nancy Whitman	Ladies	5/4/2026	8.5	Back Bay
Striped Bass (Fw/)	Sean Poe	Mens	4/11/2026	25	Kerr Lake
Longnose Gar	Bill Seemueller	Mens	5/25/2026	38	Knotts Island

Saltwater Catch

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Division = (A-Adult), (J-Junior), (G-Guppy)

Guppy division's minimum is 25% of State Minimum, Junior division's minimum size is 50% of State

Prize Fish

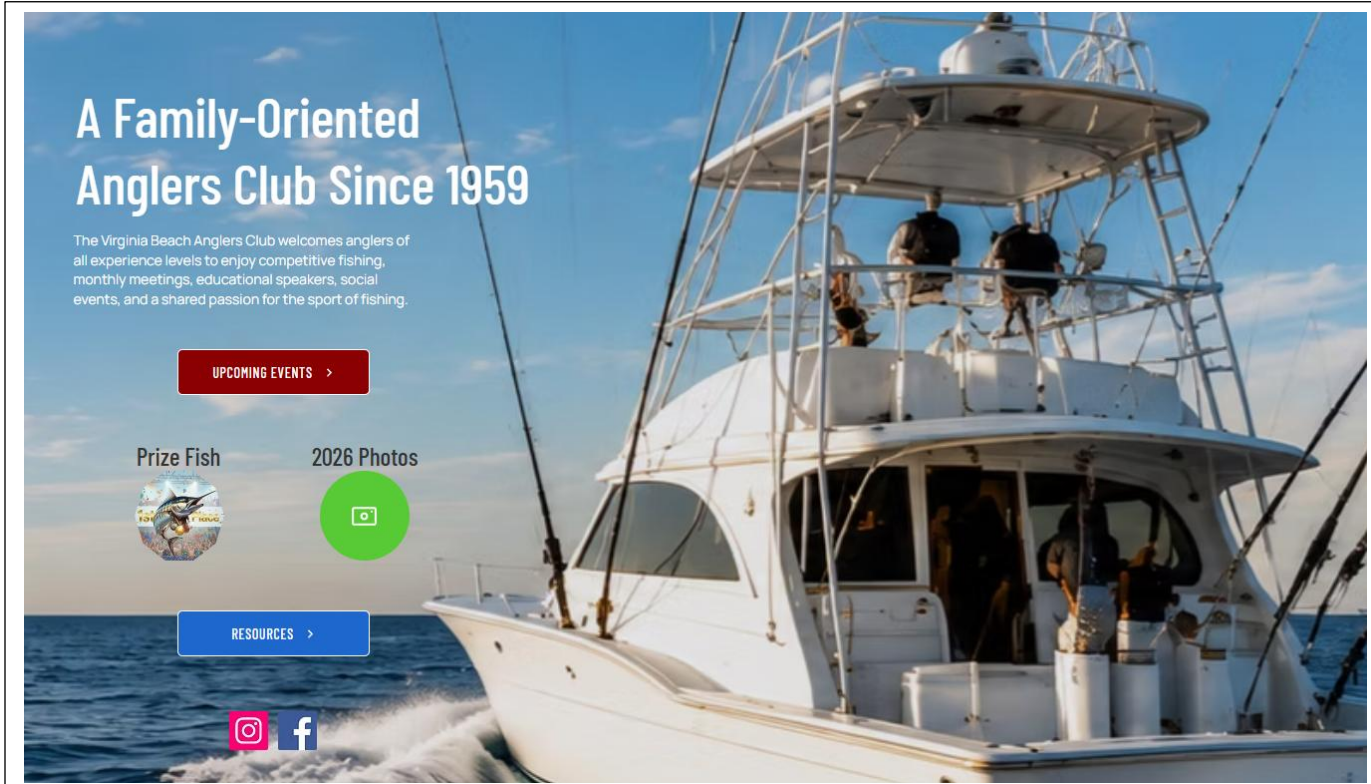
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Roulette Leaders		
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Species		Division	Date	Weight	Location
Bowfin	RUSSELL WILLOUGHBY	MENS	4/12/2026	4.3LBS	??
Spot	LIAM SCHRAMM	JUNIOR	7/4/2026	8.00ZS	RAMP 44
Sheepshead					
Cobia	GEORGE GABRIEL	MENS	6/12/2026	64.3LBS	CHES BAY
Tautog					

Submitted by Chris Schramm

Our New Website



Please, if you haven't already, take a look at our new website. At last, everything in one place!

Prize Fish & Roulette Entry Form

Complete the information below to enter the Prize fish or Roulette contests.

VBAC 2026 Club Calendar

2026 Planning Calendar

July	9	Back Bay F&WL Kids Surf Fishing Clinic General Membership Meeting
	11	Crab Creek Cleanup
	16	Board Meeting
	23	Back Bay F&WL Kids Surf Fishing Clinic
August	1	Membership Recruiting Table
	6	Back Bay F&WL Kids Surf Fishing Clinic General Membership Meeting
	8	Crab Creek Cleanup
	20	Back Bay F&WL Kids Surf Fishing Clinic Board Meeting
	29	Membership Recruiting Table CBF / Hampton Univ. Rod & Reef Fishing Event
September	3	General Membership Meeting
	10-11-12	Hatteras Village Invitation Surf Fishing Tournament
	12	Crab Creek Cleanup
	17	Board Meeting
	18-19	Red Drum Classic Surf Fishing Tournament
October	1	General Membership Meeting
	15-16-17	Nags Head Invitational Surf Fishing Tournament
	15	Board Meeting
	31	Fall Oyster Roast
November	5	General Membership Meeting
	5-6-7	Cape Hatteras Anglers Club Invitational Surf Fishing Tournament
	19	Board Meeting
December	3	General Membership Meeting / Holiday Party / General Elections
	17	Board Meeting

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Volunteers Needed for Red Drum Classic Sept 18-19th. Contact Shannon 757 374 6080 or Chris 252 548 5833

Need 4 volunteer servers for food on Saturday from 2pm to 4pm.

Need volunteers cleanup crew after meal on Saturday. 6pm until complete

Need 3 volunteers to shuttle campers to / from little island to refuge visitors center at 3:45pm Friday and 3:45pm Saturday. Trucks & gear.

Need 2 volunteers to sell raffle tickets and collect cash. 1pm – 5pm Friday

Need 2 volunteers available in 12-hour shifts to answer calls. 4pm – 4am Friday, 4am-4pm Saturday

Red Drum Classic Surf Fishing Tournament: Key times

Registration and angler package pickup at little Island park. 1pm-5pm Friday

Fishing begins at 4:00pm on Friday

Fishing ends at 4:00pm on Saturday

Dinner begins at 4:00pm on Saturday

Awards begin at 5:00pm on Saturday

Depart from little island park at 6:30pm

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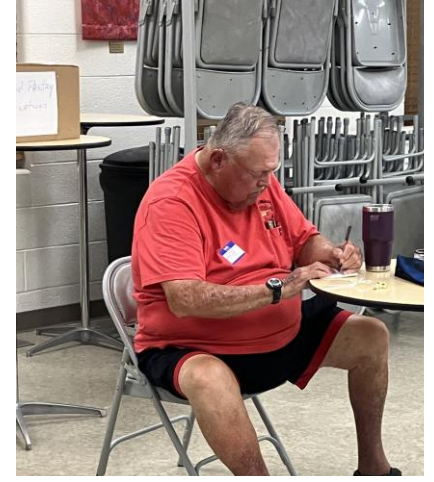
Anglers,

I'm quite sad to report that our awesome Newsletter editor in chief, the indomitable Preston Mangum, is stepping down from his post. Preston has some health issues that preclude his continuation in this job. **Anyone interested in picking up this function should contact me at the number below. The Newsletter is the key communication path from the club to the membership, and has taken on renewed significance with the new website.**

Preston should be available to show the new editor all the “tricks” used each month and to transfer any necessary records to facilitate the transition. His assistance in the future can be relied on to make the monthly effort as smooth as possible.

Screaming Drags,
Rich
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August Meeting



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Anyone wanting to go Fishing

Well, being a new person in the club, there have been many times i have wanted to go fishing but no one to go with. I learned of this way to post a questing or an invite last year, but didn't really use it, my fault. Just wanted to bring this Facebook Group back to the forefront for any new people or old-time members that may have forgotten about it.

This Facebook Group is a member's only group where we can be free to post when and where we are going fishing and invite other members to join us. Also, it allows members who have boats looking for someone to join them on a trip and share the costs. It's a free and easy way to communicate with members and maybe make some new friends!

Once the weather warms up and the snow stops coming every weekend, I intend to hit the waters and start fishing. I intend to post when/where i am going in hopes that other members may reach out and join me. I figure someone has to start the process and be the guinea pig, so Im going to try and be religious about posting on this group.

Below are the instructions for joining the group:

- 1) Sing into your Facebook page
- 2) On your Homepage, go to Groups
- 3) Go to the "Search Groups" section of your Facebook page
- 4) Type in "VBAC Fishing Crew"
- 5) When the site comes up, click "Join" button.
- 6) Site Administrator will approve your request within 24 hours
- 7) Thereafter, the site will be listed in your Groups section so you can easily reach the group when you want to see what's happening. You can answer another members' post or post your own message about when/where you plan to go fishing.
- 8) Feel free to also post your availability as an angler or boat captain; i.e. days of the week, times during the day, etc...

Hope to see some posts on the Group this year!

Submitted by Randy Whittman

Fresh Water

On July 28, had another summer day fishing. Typical with the hot weather, I caught blue catfish, crabs, spot, sunfish, and this nice bluegill. Looking for the fishing to pick up as the weather cools. 80+ degree weather is not very productive.

Melanie Bayford



Surf Fishing

A random NE blow came in hard for a few days Shannon, Liam, KellyAnn and myself took the day off work and shot down to False Cape. And man was it worth it. As a whole we caught 18 over slot Drum up to 40 inches. For the summer time it was a day to remember. – Chris Schramm



Surf Fishing

Another nice random NE blow came through Oreo, Liam and myself headed down to False Cape on the bikes. We found them some solid fish for a quick trip. – Chris Schramm



Committees

2026 Virginia Beach Anglers Club Committees:

<u>Boat Show:</u>	<u>Chair - Russell Willoughby</u>
<u>Calendar:</u>	<u>Chair – Ronnie Nixon</u>
<u>Co-Chairs – Mary Bradley & Bob Burstein</u>	
<u>Crab Creek Clean-Up:</u>	<u>Chair – Ronnie Nixon</u>
<u>Great Bridge Flea Market:</u>	<u>Chair – Preston Mangum</u>
	<u>Co-Chair – Rick Kerns</u>
<u>Banquet/Oyster Roast:</u>	<u>Chair – Patty Searby</u>
<u>Seton Youth:</u>	<u>Chair – Mary Bradley</u>
	<u>Co-Chair – Bob Burstein</u>
<u>Raffle:</u>	<u>Chair – Mike Muller</u>
<u>Audit Committee:</u>	<u>Chair – Mike Anderson</u>
<u>Surf Tournaments:</u>	<u>Chair – Shannon Ferguson</u>
<u>Club Tournaments:</u>	<u>Chair – Bob Burstein</u>
<u>Prize Fish:</u>	<u>Chair – Ike Eisenhower</u>
<u>Nomination Committee:</u>	<u>Chair – Russell Willoughby</u>
	<u>Co-Chair – Patty Searby</u>
<u>Conservation and Regulations:</u>	<u>Chair – Butch Eason</u>
	<u>Co-Chair – Kelly Hoggard</u>
<u>T-Shirt Committee:</u>	<u>Chair – Patty Searby</u>

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¼ Page ad: \$15.00 per month, Yearly cost \$180.00 with 13th month free.

½ Page ad: \$20.00 per month, Yearly cost \$240.00 with 13th month free.

Full Page ad: \$25.00 per month, Yearly cost \$300.00 with 13th month free.

You must provide the artwork to be used. A business card can suffice.

Your remittance to the club can be in the form of cash, check, or by donation of goods or services in the amount of your advertising cost.

VBAC Advertising Form

☐ Business card size ad

☐ ¼ Page ad

☐ ½ Page ad

☐ Full Page ad

Payment will be: ☐ Cash ☐ Check or ☐ Donation Amount _____

Vendor name: _____ Company: _____

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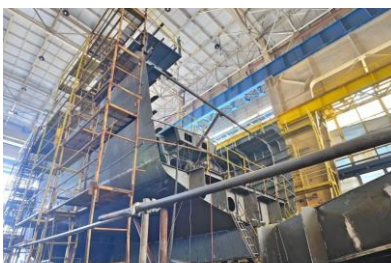

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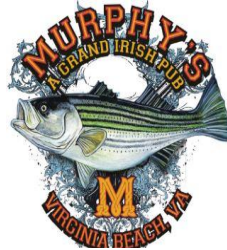
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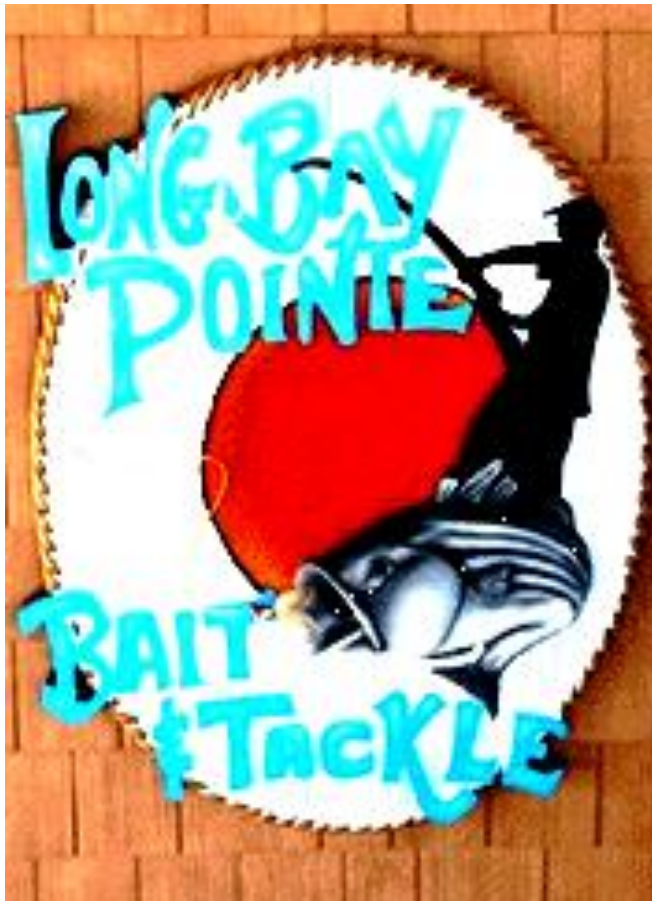
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The purpose of the VBAC is to encourage sport fishing, both freshwater and saltwater, while supporting prudent governmental and other policies that promote the preservation, conservation and ecology of all marine life.

Our Objectives:

- ❖ Monitor legislative and regulatory activities relating to management of local and regional fisheries and participating actively, where appropriate, to assure the adoption of sound management policy and practices that best serve the interests of VBAC members.
- ❖ Promote interest and participation in recreational angling by conducting programs and activities that encourage sport fishing.
- ❖ Educate members and others in the techniques of sport fishing to enhance their enjoyment of the sport.
- ❖ Conduct social activities that create a wholesome climate for deriving the maximum pleasure from sport fishing by members, their families and guests.
- ❖ Plan and conduct fund raising activities to provide the revenues needed to support these objectives.

2026 VBAC Elected Officials

Officers:

President: Rich Califf

First Vice President: Tom Morgan

Second Vice President: Chris Schramm

Treasurer: Robert Oliver

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