

VAC Annual Meeting and Awards Banquet

January 27, 2007
at the
Virginia Crossings Conference
Center and Resort

Cash Bar at 5:30 PM, Dinner at 7:00 PM

BACKLASH

(Commentary from the Board of Directors)

NEXT CLUB FUNCTION: ANNUAL AWARDS BANQUET

JANUARY 27, 2007

CASH BAR AT 5:30 PM, DINNER STARTS AT 7:00 PM

The Virginia Anglers Club Annual Meeting / Awards Banquet will be held at the Virginia Crossings Conference Center and Resort on January 27, 2007. The Resort is the former Figee's facility located just 1 mile east of US Route 1 on Virginia Center Boulevard. The VCB is 1.1 miles north on US Route 1 from Exit 43 on I-295. As in years past, the meal will be a buffet offering. A cash bar will be available. The banquet price is \$40.00 per individual or \$75.00 for you and your significant other. Sorry, guys, but a "couple" is not defined as two VAC Club Members coming to the banquet together. Please send payment via separate check, made out to "Virginia Anglers Club" to:

VAC c/o Eddy Johnston 3312 Stuart Avenue Richmond, VA 23231-2329

Phone: 355-3877 (H)

Early payment would be appreciated.

The increase over last year's Banquet price is not a function of the change in venue. As the Banquet Chairman made numerous contacts with candidate locations in the Richmond area for this year's Banquet, he found pricing similar to or more than the \$40.00 ticket for our banquet.

Elly Robinson To Be Awarded 6th Master Angler Rating Award

Elly Robinson will be honored at this year's Awards Banquet for achieving his Rating of Master Angler. Known for his angling skills and unending energy for the sport of angling, Elly already has accomplished the ratings of Fresh and Salt Water Expert. He holds or has held numerous IGFA world records. Elly is only the 6th member of the Virginia Anglers Club to achieve the Club's most respected angling rating.

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Membership Fees Are Due as of December 1, 2006

Membership fees are due as of December 1, 2006. There has been no increase in dues for 2007. Active Members residing in state pay \$60.00 per year and active members residing out-of-state pay \$40.00 per year. Life and Honorary Members pay no dues. Mail dues payments as individual checks made out to "Virginia Anglers Club" to:

Treasurer, Virginia Anglers Club Post Office Box 31494 Richmond, VA 23294-1494

Riverkeeper of the James to Speak

Chuck Frederickson, the "Riverkeeper" for the James River Association, will speak at the Tuckahoe Library in Henrico County on Monday, March 26th at 7:00 PM. He will describe his job as an on-the-water advocate for the James River, monitoring its conditions, identifying problems, and ensuring that solutions are properly executed. If you have already forgotten when and where the talk will be, log on to www.henricolibrary.org. You can get a reminder via e-mail of the date and time of Chuck's talk that will be sent two day prior to the talk. The Tuckahoe Branch of the Library is located at 1901 Starling Drive (Phone Number 270-9578). Chuck's talk is one of a four part series on issues impacting the environment. Check all four presentations at the web site. The library is located off Parham Road near Regency Mall.

VAC Youth Award Might Be a Sleeper

There may be some misunderstanding about the VAC's Youth Award. Check out commentary elsewhere in this issue of the Angler to learn a little about this award. The Youth award is one worth helping a kid earn.

For the Leadership Team John Wetlalufer, Sr., Director



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CATCHY COMMENTS

By Danny Noland

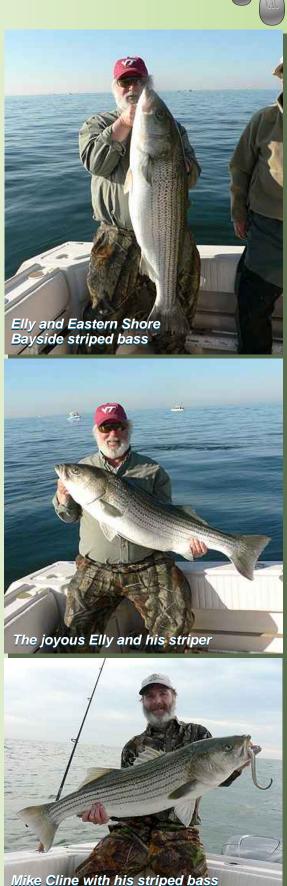
It's amazing what the Fish Managers can do when they are serious about saving a specie of fish that is near collapse. In 1982, the population of adult stripers was at one of the lowest levels ever, but was able to produce their best spawn in decades. The coastal fish Managers knew that the future of the Striped Bass population depended on the 1982-year class. They put together a plan to protect this year class of stripers through the next two decades with the use of moratoriums of catching and keeping stripers, and with slot limits to ensure that this year class would have ample time to spawn year after year. For once, the Managers withstood the pressures put on them by both the commercial and recreational fisherman and protected the striper population. We are now experiencing the results of good management. I just hope that they can look back at this success and apply it to other species that are in trouble.

December provided our anglers with one of the best striper fisheries for big fish on light tackle ever. Bruce Henderson, Jim Sheffield, Mike Cline, Elly and Robbie Robinson tried their luck at "eeling" off the Cape Charles area. They had numerous large fish, with several near World Record misses. Jim battled two potential WR fish on 2# test and unfortunately lost both near the boat. Elly landed the best fish, with a 39-0# on 4 general for 650 points for a new club record. Elly also set another club record with a 31-0 on 8 general for 344 points. Bruce was close behind with a 38-0# striper on 4 general for 633 points. Jim took another trip in his flats boat with his wife Kathi. She hooked a nice striper and after a long battle, landed a potential woman's line class World Record with a 40-0# on 4 general. That's a 666 point catch. Outstanding catch, Kathi. Stuart Lee also fished the Cape Charles area and came away with two new club records, a 42-0# on 16 general for 262 points and a 26-8# on 16# fly for 265 points. Travis Henderson set a club record with a 39-0# striper on 6# general for 520 points and Bob Brown picked up a new club record with a 26-0# on 8 spin for 325 points. Bob also caught a nice 12-0# bluefish on 8 spin for 200 points. The ocean season should continue to be hot for several more weeks, so get out and catch a striper.

Bill Duval was in Key West and caught a club record 65-8# Wahoo on 16 general for 284 points. **Mickey Krodoff** tried the surf in the Kitty Hawk area and caught 2-4# spotted seatrout for 112 points. Great to see Mickey out wetting a line.

Scott Johnston and Fred Cousins were out scouting the Chickahominy River to see what was biting. I heard they had about 25 fish, with an equal split between the fly rod and spin and plug rods. Scott had a 0-12# crappie on 2 fly for 150 points and a 2-1# chain pickerel on 2# fly for 257 points. The private ponds are hot as **Bob Brown** fished with **Mike Ostrander** at Taylor's pond and caught a 7-0# largemouth on 6# spin for 280

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points. Fred fished a private pond and caught a 6-14# largemouth on 2 spin for 458 points. Soon its yellow perch on the Chick and its not long before the shad are on the Nottoway.

The results of the 2006 Angling Year will be in next month's newsletter. Come to the banquet and see Elly become the 6th Master Angler in club history.

It's been an outstanding start to the 2007 angling year, so lets keep the entries coming in. Remember that there is an award for New Member Angler of the Year for the member who has joined in the last 2 years. Also, there were not any youth entries 2006. Remember to take a kid fishing, and then be sure to turn in an entry card for him or her. It doesn't have to be your child either, so any youth fishing with you can win.

Tight Lines Danny



Upcoming Angling Events

Virginia Catfish

January 1st through February 4th, 2007

Location: All Virginia waters

Awards: 1 cup highest point Catfish (100 pts. min.)

1 cup highest point Catfish on Fly

(100 pts. min.)

1 cup highest point Jungle Rules Catfish.

(15 lb. min.) 1 cup highest point

Other, Fly, Spin, Plug, General

(100 pts. min.)

*****(one fish per cup)*****

Comments: Call within 5 Days of the day you land

he fish.

Give: Date / Species / Weight / Caught By / Tackle class

Chairman: Bob Brown H 746-1934

C 833-2786

Jungle Rules: Fish may be taken with any hook and line

tackle used in a sportsman like manner. Any line material and breaking strength

is acceptable.

Chickahominy River Grab Bag

Sat. - Sun. February 3rd and 4th Sat. - Sun. February 10th and 11th

Location: Chickahominy River

Chairman: Fred Cousins

Awards: 1 cup highest cumulative points with one

fish per species.(100pt min) 1 cup highest point crappie 1 cup heaviest fish all tackle

Report In: Bruce Henderson within 5 days (266-3910).

Chickahominy River Yellow Perch

Sat. - Sun. February 17th and 18th Sat. - Sun. February 24th and 25th

Location: Chickahominy River

Chairman: Scott Johnson

Awards: 1 cup highest point yellow perch any tackle

(100 pt. min.)

1 cup highest pt yellow perch on fly

(100 pt. min.)

1 cup highest pt. other specie (100 pt. min.)

Report In: Bruce Henderson within 5 days (266-3910)





VIRGINIA ANGLERS CLUB - 1/12/07

SPECIES	ANGLER	WEIGHT	<u>LN</u>	DIV.	<u>PTS</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>BAIT</u>
2007 SPECIES LEADERS - SALTWATER								
BASS, STRIPED BLUEFISH SEATROUT, SPOTTED	E. S. ROBINSON BOB BROWN MICKEY KODROFF	39-0 12-0 2-4	4 8 6	GEN SPIN SURF	650 200 112	12/29/06 12/17/06 12/13/06	CAPE CHARLES, VA CHES BAY, VA KITTY HAWK, NC	EEL STORM JIG GRUB
2007 SPECIES LEADERS - FRESHWATER								
BASS, LARGEMOUTH CATFISH, BLUE GAR, ALL CRAPPIE PICKERAL, CHAIN	F. COUSINS S. LUTEREK F. COUSINS W. S. JOHNSTON W. S. JOHNSTON	6-14 56-0 12-0 0-12 2-1	2 16 2 2 2	SPIN GEN PLUG FLY FLY	458 331 436 150 257	12/28/06 12/1/06 12/6/06 12/29/06 12/29/06	PRIVATE POND, VA JAMES RIVER, VA JAMES RIVER, VA CHICKAHOMINY RIVER, VA CHICKAHOMINY RIVER, VA	
2007 DIVISION LEAD	ERS - SALTWATE	<u>R</u>						
BASS, STRIPED BASS, STRIPED BASS, STRIPED SEATROUT, SPOTTED	E. S. ROBINSON BOB BROWN S. C. LEE MICKEY KODROFF	39-0 26-0 26-8 2-4	4 8 16 6	GEN SPIN FLY SURF	650 325 265 112	12/29/06 12/17/06 12/17/06 12/13/06	CAPE CHARLES, VA CHES BAY, VA CAPE CHARLES, VA KITTY HAWK, NC	EEL STORM JIG DECEIVER GRUB
2007 DIVISION LEAD	ERS - FRESHWAT	ER						
CATFISH, BLUE GAR, ALL PICKERAL, CHAIN BASS, LARGEMOUTH	S. LUTEREK F. COUSINS W. S. JOHNSTON F. COUSINS	56-0 12-0 2-1 6-14	16 2 2 2	GEN PLUG FLY SPIN	331 436 257 458	12/1/06 12/6/06 12/29/06 12/28/06	JAMES RIVER, VA JAMES RIVER, VA CHICKAHOMINY RIVER, VA PRIVATE POND, VA	CUT SHAD GRUB FLY WORM
NEW CLUB RECORDS - SALTWATER								
BASS, STRIPED BASS, STRIPED BASS, STRIPED BASS, STRIPED BASS, STRIPED BASS, STRIPED WAHOO NEW CLUB RECORE	E. S. ROBINSON E. S. ROBINSON S. C. LEE S. C. LEE TRAV. HENDERSON BOB BROWN W.B.DUVAL DS - FRESHWATER	26-0 65-8	4 8 16 16 6 8 16	GEN GEN GEN FLY GEN SPIN GEN	650 344 262 265 520 325 284	12/29/06 12/18/06 12/24/06 12/17/06 12/21/06 12/17/06 12/23/06	CAPE CHARLES, VA CAPE CHARLES, VA CAPE CHARLES, VA CAPE CHARLES, VA CHES BAY, VA CHES BAY, VA KEY WEST, FLA	EEL EEL DECEIVER EEL EEL LIVE SPEEDO
CATFISH, BLUE	S. LUTEREK	56-0	16	GEN	331	12/1/06	JAMES RIVER, VA	CUT SHAD
CATFISH, BLUE	S. LUTEREK	42-8	20	GEN	219	12/1/06	JAMES RIVER, VA	CUT SHAD
2007 HIGHEST POINT NON-LOCAL CATCHES - SALTWATER								
WAHOO	W.B.DUVAL	65-8	16	GEN	284	12/23/06	KEY WEST, FLA	LIVE SPEEDO
2007 HIGHEST POINT NON-LOCAL CATCHES - FRESHWATER								
(none yet)								
2007 TOP SPOUSE CATCHES - SALTWATER & FRESHWATER (LOCAL)								
BASS, STRIPED	KATHI SHEFFIELD	40-0	4	GEN	666	12/30/06	KIPTOPEKE, VA	EEL (WR)

	C.V. KINNARD AWARD COMPETITION - 2007						
Al	NGLER	FIRSTS	SECONDS	THIRDS	PLACES	POINTS	AVERAGE
			(No entri	ies yet as	of 1/12/07	7)	
TO	DTALS	0	0	0	0	0	0

he Lumker (heaviest fish)

	VAC 2007 Angling Year	ling Year	Club Historical Record	Record		VAC 2007 Angling Year	lling Year	Club Historical Record	Record
Species	Angler	Weight	Angler	Weight	Species	Angler	Weight	Angler	Weight
BASS, LARGEMOUTH	Bob Brown	0-2	Dr. Mickey Kodroff	10-12	FLOUNDER, SUMMER			Pat Dudley	10-5
BASS, ROCK & ROANOKE			Eric McDuffie	1-7	GROUPER, GAG GROUPER, HISTORIC			Elly Robinson Bill DuVal	9-12 63-8
BASS, STRIPED HY			Bill Ross	9-8 6-10	GROUPER, OTHER			Bruce Henderson	21-8
BASS, STRIPED LL			Gary Anderson	23-6	JACK, CRAVELLE			Ronnie Sides	34-0
BASS, WHITE			John Wycoff	2-12	LADYFISH			Tom Barnett	3-12
BOWFIN			W.H. McCarthy	12-11	MACKEREL, CREO			Bill DuVal	8-0
CARP			Fred Cousins	25-8	MACKEREL, KING			Bill DuVal	62-0
CATFISH, BLUE	Steve Luterek	26-0	Steve Luterek	26-0	MACKEREL, SPANISH			Bill DuVal	4-0
CATFISH, CHANNEL			Fred Murray	12-4	MACKEREL, SPANISH (HIST.)*			C.O. Mather	18-3*
CATFISH, FLATHEAD			Lynn Spurlin	27-8	MAKLIN, BLACK			F.D. Gottwald	1075-0
CATFISH, HISTORIC			D.N. Jones	22-12	MARLIN, BLUE AIL & PAC			Steve Huchins	691-5
CRAPPIE, ALL	Scott Johnston	0-12	Gary Donahue	2-14	MARLIN, WIRITED			C.O. Mather	266-U 113-7
MISKELLINGE ALL			Dick Goode	70 7	PERMIT,			Bill DuVal	42-0
MOSNELLONGE, ALL PERCH WHITE			Eric McDuffie	1-0-1	POMPANO. AFRICAN			Elly Robinson	33-0
PERCH, YELLOW			Robbie Robinson	1-13	POMPANO, COMMON			Parks Rountrey	1-8
PICKEREL, CHAIN	Scott Johnston	2-1	Regaie White	7-10	ROOSTERFISH			W.C. Askew	50-8
PIKE, NORTHERN			L. Kesteloo	17-8	RUNNER, RAINBOW			Pat Quisenberry	20-5
SALMON, ATLANTIC			H.A. Claiborne	19-0	SAILFISH, ATLANTIC			C.O. Mather	86-3
SALMON, CHINOOK			Scott Johnston	34-0	SAILFISH, PACIFIC			J.F. McNeace	140-0
SALMON, COHO			P.W. Hughes	16-8	SEATROUT, SPOTTED	Mickey Kodroff	2-4	Virgil Hughes	11-14
SHAD, AMERICAN			P. Dasher	7-4	SHARK, MAKO			C.O. Mather	486-0
SHAD, HICKORY			Dr. Mickey Kodroff	3-4	SHARK, OTHER			L. Kesteloo	500-0
SUNFISH, ALL			Roy Jones	2-4	SHEEPSHEAD			Dr. Jim Wright	14-0
TROUT, BROOK			Joe Brooks	8-0	SNAPPEK, CUBERA			Bill Duval	48-8 47.8
TROUT, BROWN			Bill Barnett	28-0	SNAPPEK, MOLION			BIII Duvai	27.0
TROUT, CUTTHROAT			C.O. Mather	3-12	SNAPPER, OLDER			Bill Duval	32-0
TROUT, LAKE			Mark Sosin	30-0	SNAPPEK, KEU			Dick Storboneon	2-0
TROUT, RAINBOW			Fred Cousins	9-4	SPANEEISH			Fily Robinson	11-15
MALLEYE			Starrillord Inford	0-0-0	SPOT			Dr. Jim Wright	1-2
WAELLIL			I vnn Spurlin	0-14	SWORDFISH			Stuart Lee	363-0
			5	<u>t</u>	TARPON			E. Dunham	120-0
AMBERJACK, GREATER			Bill Rewalt	91-2	TAUTOG			Dr. Jim Wright	15-8
BARRACUDA, GREAT			Reggie White	48-0	TRIGGERFISH			Bill DuVal	10-0
BASS, BLACK SEA			Jim Sheffield	7-4	TUNA, BIGEYE ATL			F.C. Willson	215-0
BASS, STRIPED	Stuart Lee	42-0	C.V. Kinnard	48-0	TUNA, BLACKFIN			Ronnie Hogge	38-0
BLUEFISH	Bob Brown	12-0	Paul Richie	22-0	TUNA, BLUEFIN			R.L. Gilliam	1080-0
BONEFISH			F.W. Lawrence	13-14	TUNA, SKIPJACK			Bill DuVal	18-0
COBIA			Bill DuVal	77-0	TUNA, YELLOWFIN			Bill Rewalt	231-0
CROAKER			Dr. Jim Wright	4-0	TUNNY, LITTLE			Buddy Noland	19-8
DOLPHIN			A.M. McCarthy	0-09	WAHOO	Bill Duval	65-8	Bill DuVal	98-0
DRUM, BLACK			Robbie Robinson	82-8	WEAKTISH	(0 m () 0 m () 1 m ()		Bill Gallasch	12-0
DRUM, RED			Dennis Cline	62-0	Includes Cero and Narrow Barred Mackerels	ed Mackereis			





Clam chowder
Salmon
Chicken breasts
Smithfield pork chops
Salad
Vegetables
Bread
Dessert

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Driving Directions

From Washington, DC

From Washington, DC Take I-95 South. Exit 86B onto Route 656, Elmont West. At second light, turn left onto Route 1 South for one mile. Turn left onto Virginia Center Parkway. Follow Virginia Center Parkway for 9/10 of a mile and turn left into the Resort entrance.

From Charlottesville, Virginia

Take I-64 East to I-295 South. Follow I-295 for 8 miles. Stay in right lane and merge "To Exits 43 D-C-B-A, US 1". Take Exit 43C US 1 North to Ashland. Exit ramp will merge onto US 1 North (Brook Road). Follow US 1 for 3/10 of a mile to first stop light at Virginia Center Parkway, turn right. Follow Virginia Center Parkway for 9/10 of a mile and turn left into the Resort entrance.

From Richmond, Virginia & North Carolina

Take I-95 North to Exit 84 B. Exit ramp will merge on to I-295 North. Remain in right lane. Take Exit 43C to Ashland and US 1. Exit ramp will merge onto US 1 North (Brook Road). Follow US 1 to first stop light at Virginia Center Parkway, turn right. Follow Virginia Center Parkway for 9/10 of a mile and turn left into the Resort entrance.



Map from maps.google.com

From Virginia Beach / Norfolk, Virginia

Take I-64 West to I-295 North. Follow I-295 north for 15 miles. Stay in right lane and merge "To Exit 43 B-C-D toward Richmond/Ashland /US 1". Take Exit 43C to Ashland and US 1 North. Exit ramp will merge onto US 1 North (Brook Road). Follow US 1 to first stop light at Virginia Center Parkway, turn right. Follow Virginia Center Parkway for 9/10 of a mile and turn left into the Resort entrance.

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VIRGINIA ANGLERS CLUB YOUTH AWARD(S)

Does the kid taken fishing in pursuit of the VAC Youth Awards have to be related to the angler who is taking the kid? A lot of Members may think the kid needs to be kin to the Member. The fact is that any kid will qualify, as long as she/he is 16 or younger and is fishing with a Member. Relationship to the Member is not an issue. Of course, VAC angling rules apply in terms of tackle configuration; bait presentation, landing the catch, etc. Entry cards for the kid's (kids') catches are filled out and submitted by the VAC Member taking the kid fishing. Please write "Youth Award" on the card to be sure the entry card gets proper credit.

How many Youth Awards are offered...one? Maybe two..girl and boy? Nope, there are 6 Youth Awards possible based on age and waters fished. The three age groups are 0 thru 6 years, 7 thru 12 years and 12 thru 17 years of age. Take this one step further by making entries in the fresh and salt water classifications and the total Youth Awards possible is six. Girls and boys are both eligible for the six VAC Youth Awards.

Who is going to take you fishing when you are an old angler? The kids fishing today. Be sure you include time for fishing with

pop for fuel and bait.	ome back to you many times over, although you may still want to				
	nniversary Banquet January 27, 2007 vm. Payment is expected for all reservations.				
Mail form with check to VAC c/o Eddy Jol	nnston, 3312 Stuart Ave, Richmond, VA 23221.				
Member's name	@ \$40 single =				
OR with spouse (spouse's name)	@ \$75 couple =				
Guest's name	@ \$40 =				
Guest's name	@ \$40 =				
Please include a check made out to VAC. Mail by Friday, January 12th. Must be received by Friday, January 19th. For late reservations, call Eddy at 355-3877 or 586-7012. Messages may be left at either number. Please call Eddy for clarification on prices if needed.					
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Address					
Phone	Email				
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