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October Membership Meeting: "Snaggin' Taugs"

Tuesday, October 28, 2008 at 7:00 PM

Skilligalee Restaurant

Glenside Ave, just north of Broad Street Come early (5:30 PM) and enjoy good fellowship over dinner from the menu

BACKLASH

(Commentary from the Board of Directors)

October Membership Meeting: "Snaggin' Taugs"

Dr. Julie Ball will be our speaker at the October Membership Meeting. Julie will present an illustrated program about how to catch Tautog. She will give us an update about what is happening with the IGFA. Julie, one of Virginia's IGFA representatives, is a skilled angler in her own right and a well known, easily recognized, reporter on saltwater fishing in the waters of the Commonwealth. Julie authors and issues a weekly fishing report. She will join us as our guest for dinner.

November Membership Meeting will Wind up the Angling Year

The November Membership Meeting will be the last meeting

of the VAC Angling Year, which ends on Sunday, November 30, 2008. This meeting has some special features, one beer on the Club (read A FREE BEER) for those who choose to have one, a special presentation by Stuart Lee on how to jig and fly fish for stripers, special discounts on all Country Store inventory and some extra items being raffled. Look for more details elsewhere in this issue of the Angler. The revisions for the Angling Rules for 2009 will be presented and reviewed.

New Member Matt Balazik Voted Into Membership

Matt Balazik was voted into membership at the October Board of Directors Meeting. Matt gave us the interesting presentation at the August Membership Meeting on sturgeon living in the James River. Matt lives in Quinton, VA, and is a doctorial candidate at VCU. Matt is the president of the VCU Fly Fishing Club. Please welcome Matt when you see him next.

Angling Rules Committee Meets Week of October 20th

The Angling Rules committee met on October 21st. and developed changes to be made in the VAC Angling Rules for the 2009 Angling Year. This committee will report back to the Board of Directors at their November meeting and present the recommended changes for approval by the Board.

<u>Virginia Anglers Club</u>





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Changes will be presented at the November Membership meeting as well as appear in the November issue of the Angler. Thanks to Bill DuVal, Buddy and Danny Noland, Glenn Carter and Scott Johnston for their participation on this committee. Stuart is Chairman of the Angling Rules Committee this year and has worked hard to keep our rules relevant and fair.

CCA-VA 13th Annual Banquet October 25, 2008

The 13th Annual CCA-VA Banquet will be held on Saturday, October 25th at the Jefferson Lakeside Country Club. Price per person is \$75 and includes a new/renewal membership in the CCA-VA. Parks Rountrey is looking to fill a table with VAC Members. Contact him if you are interested. More details appear elsewhere in this edition of the Angler.

VAC Ukrop's Golden Gift Program Nets Club \$121.20

Thanks to all who submitted their Ukrop's Golden Gift Certificates to Justin Shrinel. Justin received a check for \$121.20 as the share of the program garnered by VAC members. The funds have been deposited into the VAC general fund.

Columbia Shirts Ready for Pick-up at the October Membership Meeting

Storekeeper Eddy Johnston will have the shirts that were recently ordered at the October Membership Meeting. Please have your funds ready for Eddy if you have not paid him in advance for your shirts.

DGIF Calendar Sale Nearly Sold Out!

Don West, VAC's Director of DGIF Calendar Sales reports that all 300 of the 2009 DGIF Outdoor Calendars he has purchased from the DGIF this year have been picked up from him or sold. He sold 189 by himself! If you still need a calendar, Buddy Noland still has a few that he will have at the October Membership Meeting. Don reminds all who picked up calendars to please return their money to him promptly so our books on calendar sales can close by the end of October.

2009 Annual Awards Banquet Reminder

The 2008 Annual Awards banquet will be held on Saturday, January 24, 2009 at the Virginia Crossings Resort, starting at 5:30 PM. The contract has been completed with The Virginia Crossings Resort and the meal price per person will be \$48. Eddy Johnston would like to have suggestions for items to add to or suggested changes to make in the banquet format, etc. He can be reached easily on his cell phone (804) 586-7012.

CATCHY COMMENTS

By Buddy Nolan



The *Flathead Catfish* fishing has paid off for three of our anglers as they were awarded recently with IGFA World Records for their efforts. **Bob Brown** received two world

records. One for his 31-0 pound *Flathead* on 6# Fly and another for his 28-0 on 16# Fly. **Parks Rountrey's** record is a 29-8 pound on 4# fly. Last but not least is **Glenn Carter's** world record 28-8 pound *Flathead Catfish* on 8# Fly. Congratulations to all on the Fly catches.

The month started out slow with only a few entries because of the high winds and rain. **Jamie Pitts** continues to catch the big fish with a 34 pound *Cobia* caught at the CBBT on a bucktail on 20# line. But, since we do not have a 20# plug category, I entered the catch in 20 general which gave **Jamie** 130 points for the catch.

Rob Choi had a big month with five fresh water entries. He caught a *Smallmouth Bass* with a Gulp Worm on 2# spin for 112 points and several *Largemouth*. **Rob** also released a *Rainbow Trout* in the Great Smokey Mountains Park in Tennessee. His best catch was a new 2# spin "club record" for *Channel Catfish*. The fish weighed 6-4 pounds and was worth 250 points.

Bruce Henderson was fishing off Oregon Inlet and had several nice entries. His 1 pound 12 ounce *Black Sea Bass* on 4# spin takes the specie lead for *Sea Bass*. **Bruce** also had a 4-8 pound "club record" *Blueline Tilefish* on 12# general.

Parks Rountrey fished the James River with "corn" as the preferred bait and caught an 11 pound 8 ounce *Carp* on 2# general for 287 points. Hard to top last months *Flathead* fishing.

Scott Johnston spent some time in September fishing the non-local waters of the Detroit River in Michigan. Using 4# fly, Scott caught a *Rock Bass* worth 101 points and his best catch was a 4 pound 8 ounce *Smallmouth Bass* for a new "club record" worth 409 points. I'm not sure, but I believe **Scott** might have tried to slip in a 2-14 pound *Smallmouth* for the 16# fly club record. The fish was worth 99 points because we round "down" for entries and not "up"! An entry must be worth 100 points minimum to be a club record.

It appears that **Eddy Johnston** must have cohered **Elly Robinson** away from the TV for a day of fishing at Rudee Inlet. **Elly** considers himself a college football expert and emails a daily "blog" on ACC sports.



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Eddy had several *Spot* entries on a
Fish bite jig combination. His 8
ounce 2# spin entry sets a new "club
record" and his 8 ounce *Spot* plug
entry takes the "specie" lead. Both fish were
worth 185 points with the plug entry being the
"early entry". Eddy also entered a nice 2-2 pound *Speckled Trout* for 141 points on 2# spin from
Rudee Inlet.

Take care



Larry Allen with his tournament winning 6lb. 5oz. Speckled Trout

Virginia Speckled Trout Tournament Results

Our Virginia Speckled Trout Tournament October 11-12 was a success with 12 members participating. The winners are:

Points Division

Bill Duval with a 174lb. 4oz Halibut caught on 16# test

Larry Allen 6-5 on 2 spin = 420 pts (wins \$40 Green Top Giftcard!) **Fred Cousins** 4-11 on 2 spin = 312 pts **Larry Allen** 3-6 on 2 spin = 225 pts

Weight Division

Wilson Nobles 4-0 (wins \$40 Green Top Giftcard!)

Wilson Nobles 3-14 Robbie Robinson 2-12







November Membership Meeting

Year End Blow Out!!!

Free Beer, Learn, Save, and Special Raffles!

How about a free beer?

Get your beer chilf from Endy Johnston

ond the brew is on the club.

Like to know some stuff about Jigging or fly fishing for stripers? Stuartlee will make a presentation about just this kind of striper fishing

Take advantage of a massive,
never before offered discount for all items in stock
in the Country Store of 25%. Scanning the inventory
at the October meeting is encouraged. Sorry, no lay
away, no special extensions of credit or no
reservation of any item in stock is possible for
the November Meeting

In addition to the monthly raffle for the Green Top Sporting Goods \$25.00 Gift Certificate, multiple special raffles will be held for packages of brand new, assorted baits and other special items courtesy of Green Top.





VIRGINIA ANGLERS CLUB - 10/14/08

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SPECIES	ANGLER	WEIGHT	<u>LN</u>	DIV.	PTS	DATE	LOCAT	TION	BAIT
2008 SPECIES LEAD	ERS - SALTWATER	R							
AMBERJACK, GREATER	DN Noland	22-0	6	Plug	314	8/15/08	Manuela	Wreck, NC	Bucktail
BARRACUDA, GREAT	DN Noland	29-0	6	Plug	446	8/11/08		Splendor Wreck, NC	Tube
BASS, BLACK SEA	B Henderson	1-12	4	Spin	159	10/4/08	Oregon	Inlet, NC	Stingsilver
BASS, STRIPED	JH Sheffield	50-9	2	Gen	1011	12/30/07		e Ships, Va.	Eel
BLUEFISH	ES Johnston	8-4	2	Spin	275	5/1/08	Rudee I		Grub
COBIA	GN Carter	32-0	8	Plug	355	6/6/08		Inlet, NC	Bucktail Jig
CROAKER DOLPHIN	ES Johnston GN Carter	1-10 4-12	2 4	Spin Spin	216 135	6/6/08 6/6/08	Gwinn's The "Po		Jig Bucktail Jig
DRUM BLACK	J Pitts	65-0	20	Gen	185	5/22/08	CBBT, V	•	Clam
DRUM, RED	J Pitts	45-0	20	Gen	236	6/8/08	CBBT, V		Crab
FLOUNDER, SUMMER	W Mosley	3-4	2	Plug	270	6/14/08	HRBT, V		Grub
JACK, ALMACO	DN Noland	23-0	6	Plug	460	8/12/08	E.M. Cla	rk Wreck, NC	Bucktail
POMPANO, AFRICAN	DN Noland	18-0	6	Plug	400	8/15/08		Wreck, NC	Bucktail
SEATROUT, SPOTTED SPOT	F Cousins ES Johnston	6-2 0-8	2	Spin Plug	408 185	1/13/08 10/3/09	Elizabet Rudee li		Grub
TILEFISH, BLUELINE	B Henderson	0-8 4-8	12	Gen	112	9/13/08	Oregon		Fish Bite Jig Squid
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2008 SPECIES LEAD	ERS - FRESHWATE	ER							
BASS, LARGEMOUTH	L Allen	6-8	2	Spin	433	3/22/08	Private	Pond Caroline	In-line Spinner Bait
BASS, SMALLMOUTH	DN Noland	3-0	2	Fİy	375	3/6/08	Nottowa		Dan's Peach Shad Fly
BOWFIN	JP Rountrey	6-8	4	Gen	198	5/2/08		ominy River	Cut Bait
CARP	F Cousins	22-0	2	Spin	687	2/3/08		Lake, Va.	Rattle Trap
CATFISH, BLUE CHANNEL CATFISH	F Cousins JH Sheffield	64-0 11-4	6 2	Gen Gen	602 359	1/5/08 1/23/08		River, Va. River, Va.	Cut Gizzard Shad Minnow
CATFISH, FLATHEAD	JP Rountrey	37-0	4	Plug	627	8/3/08	James F	•	Plastic Grub
CRAPPIE, ALL	M Kodroff	1-2	2	Spin	178	2/5/08	East Lal		Spinnerbait
GAR, ALL	F Cousins	11-0	2	Plug	400	4/26/08	James F	,	Fin S Grub
PERCH, WHITE	BL Noland	1-0	2	Fly	333	4/13/08	Nottowa	y River	Road Runner
PERCH, YELLOW	F Cousins	1-1	2	Spin	279	12/8/07		ank River	Grub
PICKERAL, CHAIN	M Kodroff	2-12	4	Spin	202	2/5/08	East Lal	,	Plastic Tail & Jig
SHAD, AMERICAN SHAD, HICKORY	J Doughty F Cousins	3-8 2-0	2	Spin Fly	280 285	3/31/08 3/27/08	Nottowa James F		Shad Dart Shad Fly
SUNFISH, ALL	Rob Robinson	1-2	2	Fly	375	5/4/08	Elly's Po		Popper
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2008 DIVISION LEAD	ERS - SALTWATER	₹							
BASS, STRIPED	JH Sheffield	50-9	2	Gen	1011	12/30/07	Concret	e Ships, Va.	Eel
SEATROUT, SPOTTED	F Cousins	6-2	2	Spin	408	1/13/08	Elizabet		Grub
JACK, ALMACO	DN Noland	23-0	6	Plug	460	8/12/08		rk Wreck, NC	Bucktail
DRUM, RED	SC Lee	14-0	12	Fly	175	7/26/08	Oregon	Inlet, NC	Sardina Fly
2008 DIVISION LEAD	ERS - FRESHWATE	ER							
CATFISH, BLUE	F Cousins	64-0	4	Gen	682	1/5/08	James F	River, Va.	Cut Gizzard Shad
CARP	F Cousins	22-0	2	Spin	687	2/3/08		Lake, Va.	Rattle Trap
CATFISH, FLATHEAD	JP Rountrey	37-0	4	Plug	627	8/3/08	James F		Plastic Grub
CATFISH, FLATHEAD	JP Rountrey	29-8	4	Fly	625	8/27/08	James F	River	Streamer Fly
2008 SPECIES LEAD	EDGLADGEST SA	\			2008	SDECIE (LEVDE	RS LARGEST - F	DESUWATED
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AMBERJACK, GREATER		22-0				LARGEM		L Allen	6-8
BARRACUDA, GREAT	DN Noland	29-0			BASS	SMALLMO	JUTH	DN Noland	3-0 6-8
BASS, BLACK SEA BASS, STRIPED	B Henderson JH Shiffield	1-12 50-9			CARP			JP Rountrey F Cousins	6-8 22-0
BLUEFISH	ES Johnston	50-9 8-4				SH, BLUE		F Cousins	64-0
COBIA	GN Carter	37-0				SH, CHAN	NEL	JH Sheffield	11-4
CROAKER	ES Johnston	1-10				SH, FLATH	IEAD	JP Rountrey	37-0
DRUM, BLACK	J Pitts	65-0				PIE, ALL		M Kodroff	1-2
DOLPHIN	GN Carter	4-12			GAR,			F Cousins	11-0
DRUM, RED	J Pitts	45-0				H, WHITE H, YELLOV	v	BL Noland F Cousins	1-0 1-1
FLOUNDER, SUMMER JACK, ALMACO	J Pitts DN Noland	3-8 23-0				REL, CHA		M Kodroff	2-12
POMPANO, AFRICAN	DN Noland	18-0				AMERICA		M Kodroff	3-8
SEATROUT, SPOTTED	SC Lee	7-0				HICKORY		M Kodroff	2-0
SPOT	ES Johnston	0-8				SH,ALL		R Robinson	1-2
TILEFISH, BLUELINE	B Henderson	4-8							
NEW CLUB RECORD	S - SALTWATER								
BASS, STRIPED	JH Sheffield	50-9	2	Gen	1011	12/30/07		e Ships, Va.	Eel
DRUM, RED	M Cline W Moslov	6-10 3-4	2	Plug	165 270	6/7/08	Mobjack	• •	Jig Grub
FLOUNDER, SUMMER COBIA	W Mosley SC Lee	3-4 19-4	2 16	Plug FLY	270 120	6/14/08 6/14/08	HRBT, V Oregon		Grub Half & Half
JACK, ALAMCO	ES Robinson	20-0	6	Spin	400	8/4/08	Hatteras		Bucktail
JACK, ALMACO	DN Noland	23-0	6	Plug	460	8/12/08		rk Wreck, N.C.	Bucktail
JACK, ALMACO	BL Noland	19-0	6	Gen	271	8/12/09	E.M. Cla	rk Wreck, N.C.	Bucktail/Pinfish
TILEFISH, BLUELINE	B Henderson	4-8	12	Gen	112	9/13/08	Oregon	Inlet	Squid





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SPECIES	<u>ANGLER</u>	WEIGHT	<u>LN</u>	<u>DIV.</u>	<u>PTS</u>	<u>DATE</u>	LOCATION	<u>BAIT</u>
NEW CLUB RECORE	OS - FRESHWATER							
CATFISH, BLUE	F Cousins	64-0	6	Gen	602	1/5/08	James River, Va.	Cut Gizzard Shad
CATFISH, CHANNEL	JH Sheffield	11-4	2	Gen	359	1/23/08	James River, Va.	Minnow
CATFISH, FLATHEAD	JH Sheffield	25-0	4	Spin	423	1/11/08	James River, Va.	Jig & Gulp
CARP	F Cousins	22-0	2	Spin	687	2/3/08	Private Lake, Va.	Rattle Trap
CATFISH, FLATHEAD	F Murray	22-0	4	Fİy	466	2/17/08	James River	Streamer
CARP	F Murray	20-0	4	Spin	500	2/17/08	James River, Va.	Silver Buddy
CATFISH, FLATHEAD	F Murray	27-8	4	Spin	466	2/17/08	James River	Jig
CATFISH, BLUE	RJ Brown	47-0	12	Gen	326	3/3/08	James River, Va.	Cut Bait
SHAD, AMERICAN	M Kodroff	3-0	6	Fly	179	3/13/09	Weldon, N.C.	Shad Fly
CATFISH, BLUE	WS Johnson	8-14	2	Fly	170	4/17/08	Piankatank River	Clouser Fly
TROUT, BROWN	RL White	21-0	16	Fly	452	3/20/08	Tierra del fuego. Argentina	Fly
TROUT, BROWN	RL White	20-0	20	Fly	357	3/21/08	Tierra del fuego. Argentina	Fly
CATFISH, CHANNEL	JP Rountrey	7-1	4	Gen	166	7/1/08	James River, Va.	Live Bait
CATFISH, FLATHEAD	JP Rountrey	18-8	6	Fly	337	7/26/08	James River	Fly
CATFISH, FLATHEAD	RJ Brown RJ Brown	16-0 14-0	8 16	Plug Plug	205 120	7/26/08 7/26/08	James River James River	Gulp Jerk Shad Gulp Jerk Shad
CATFISH, FLATHEAD CATFISH, FLATHEAD	RJ Brown	14-0 17-8	12	Spin	180	7/26/08	James River	•
CATFISH, FLATHEAD	RJ Brown	21-8	8	Spin	275	7/26/08	James River	Gulp Jerk Shad Gulp Jerk Shad
CATFISH, FLATHEAD	JP Rountrey	29-0	4	Fly	614	7/27/08	James River	Streamer Fly
CATFISH, FLATHEAD	RJ Brown	13-0	12	Fly	167	7/27/08	James River	Leach Fly
CATFISH, FLATHEAD	RJ Brown	18-8	20	Fly	171	7/27/08	James River	Leach Fly
CATFISH, FLATHEAD	GN Carter	28-8	8	Fly	456	7/30/08	James River	Clouser Fly
CATFISH, FLATHEAD	RJ Brown	31-0	6	Fly	565	8/8/08	James River	Clouser Fly
CATFISH, FLATHEAD	RJ Brown	24-0	16	Fly	258	8/8/08	James River	Clouser Fly
CATFISH, FLATHEAD	RJ Brown	28-0	16	Fly	301	8/15/08	James River	Clouser Fly
CATFISH, FLATHEAD	GN Carter	23-8	12	Fly	302	8/19/08	James River	Clouser Minnow
CATFISH, FLATHEAD	JP Rountrey	27-0	20	Fly	250	8/19/08	James River	Clouser Fly
CATFISH, FLATHEAD	JP Rountrey	29-8	4	Fly	625	8/27/08	James River	Streamer Fly
BASS, SMALLMOUTH	WS Johnston	4-8	4	Fly	409	9/29/08	Detroit River, Michican	Clouser Fly
2008 HIGHEST POIN	T NON-LOCAL CAT	CHES - FRI	ESH\	VATE	<u>R</u>			
TROUT, BROWN	RL White	22-0	12	Fly	597	3/21/08	Tierra del fuego. Argentina	Fly
BASS, SMALLMOUTH	WS Johnston	4-8	4	Fly	409	9/29/08	Detroit River, Michican	Clouser Fly
2008 HIGHEST POIN	T NON-LOCAL CAT	CHES - SAI	LTW	ATER				
COBIA	Q Corbett	17-0	8	Gen	154	2/18/08	Islamorda, FI	Pilchard
2000 TOD SPOUSE (CATCHES (LOCAL	NON MEM	DED	-DE	CU a C	• A I T\A/A	TED) (a ana amhailte dont fan G	2000
2006 TOP SPOUSE (CATCHES - (LOCAL	, NON-IVIEIVI	IDEK	, FKE	on or a	ALIWA	TER) (none submitted yet for 2	2008)
2008 TOP YOUTH CA	ATCHES - FRESHWA	ATER (LOC	AL)					
SHAD, HICKORY	0-6yr R Farley	0-14	2	Spin	100	4/16/08	James River	Shad Fly
2008 TOP YOUTH CA	ATCHES - SALTWAT	TER (LOCA	<u>L)</u>					
Bass, Striped	7-12yr Justin Pitts	18-0	8	Gen	231	5/23/08	CBBT, Va.	Live Bait
-	•							

ANGLER	FIRSTS	SECONDS	THIRDS	PLACES	POINTS	AVERAGE
Fred Cousins	1	2	1	4	1975	493
Jim Sheffield	2	0	0	2	1303	651
Parks Rountrey	1	1	2	4	1087	539
Bob Brown	0	1	0	1	565	565
Will Mosley	1	1	0	2	470	235
Larry Allen	1	0	0	1	433	433
Glen Carter	0	0	1	1	413	413
Bruce Henderson	1	0	0	1	352	352
Rob Choi	0	1	0	1	281	281
Eddy Johnston	0	1	0	1	275	275
Scott Johnston	0	0	1	1	250	250





Upcoming Angling Events

Virginia / North Carolina Striped Bass Tournament December 15-31 (no blow date)

Our tourney will be at peak time for big winter Rockfish. Drifting live baits or conventional trolling are preferred methods for the heaviest fish. For light tackle points - various soft plastic baits are effective on light spinning and plug gear. Fly fishing is also productive when you can find fish near the surface. A number of club members like Cape Charles and CBBT areas this time of year, but you can fish any Virginia or North Carolina salt waters. Remember - this is our first tournament for the new angling year — so be sure to plan on fishing.

Two ways to win! We will recognize three places for heaviest weight fish and three places for highest point fish.

First = 3 pts. Second = 2 pts. Third = 1 pt.

These points will apply towards the annual Salt Water Tournament Angler of the Year competition.

One angler can win 1st, 2nd and 3rd in both weight and points divisions by entering multiple fish.

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

Call in or e-mail entries to Angling Activities Chairman Parks Rountrey 804-349-6001 (prountrey@comcast.net).

NOTES: A fish can be entered by weight or points (angler must declare which category) but not both ways for 1 fish.

You can not change the entry category once you have registered it with the Chairman.

You do not need to fill out cards for tournament entries.

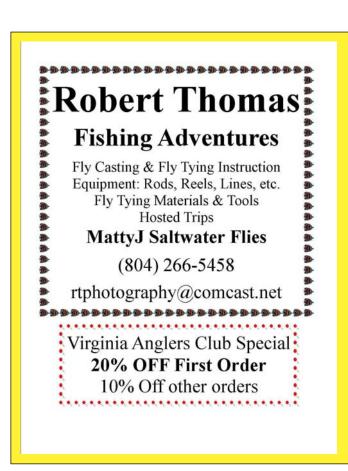
OTHER NEWS

CALENDAR SALES MONEY NEEDS TO BE TURNED IN

There is still some money out there from the sale of the DGIF Outdoor Calendars. Please get all money to Don West so we can close the 2008 books with all proceeds from the sale of the calendars in and accounted for. Don takes cash, checks made out to the Virginia Anglers Club and money orders. Sorry, no promissory notes or IOUs.

JULIE BALL FEATURED AT OCTOBER MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Julie Ball will again join us for a presentation on catching Tautog. She is planning to join us for dinner, so there will be plenty of time before (and during) the meeting to ask questions about Tautog fishing and what's new in the IGFA. Come early and order from the Skilligalee's menu.





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