

# MSSA FREDERICK CHAPTER NEWSLETTER

**Working to Provide a Unified Voice to Preserve and Protect the Rights, Tradition and the Future of Recreational Fishing!  
No Unity, No Voice, No Fish**



The Official MSSA Frederick Chapter VHF Channel is 71

## President's Message

Starting off, just wanted to give everyone an update on some happenings within the Main organization of the MSSA. A much more positive environment has the organization on the upswing over the last couple of months. A full representation of all chapters has returned to the monthly board meetings, the mood is extremely positive, committee chairs have been filled and the board will begin working diligently to make the MSSA stronger than ever to protect the rights of our recreational fishermen. Our interim President (Frank Holden) has instilled a positive attitude to head us in the right direction. Having said all this, there will be a general election of ALL new officers and members at large within the Main in November, 2015. As part of the Nomination Committee, if anyone is interested in running for office and/or would like to nominate someone for office, please contact me prior to our August 12<sup>th</sup> meeting. Rob Pellicott and I have joined the Tournament Committee, we have some great ideas on making the tournaments better, but, would also like to hear some of your ideas. If anyone has any suggestions, please feel free to contact us.

From a chapter perspective, as always, we have a full schedule over the next couple of months for everyone to enjoy. First, our August 12<sup>th</sup> meeting will be a demonstration by Mason Dixon Barbeque on cooking a variety of fish a variety of different ways on the grill. This should be a fun outdoor evening held at the pavilion behind the Moose. We are asking for donations of any species of fish to be brought to next weeks (July 8<sup>th</sup>) meeting or dropped off at Mason Dixon in our chapters name for this event. There will be a cooler with dry ice to preserve the fish until it can be given to them. We will also have their address if you care to drop fish offer directly to them prior to the August meeting. Next, will be our chapter crab feast on September 12, 2015. Tickets will be available for sale beginning this meeting, with final ticket sales at our September 9<sup>th</sup> meeting. No sales the day of the event, NO EXCEPTIONS. Be reminded that for every 10 tickets you sell for our annual fundraiser gets you a free entry to this great feast. This is truly an event that you don't want to miss. Finally, don't forget our annual weeklong "Tackle the Mackerel"

tournament in October. Signups will begin at the August meeting, FIRST COME FIRST SERVE on any available rooms left.

The spot have finally started to show up, so, the live lining has begun with some nice fish being caught. The crabs have also started to show up. Life is GOOD, our Chapter is great.

Fish Hard!.....and often

## Next Meeting

**July 8, 2015**

Food Service begins at 6:15 PM  
Meeting at 7:00 PM

**Speaker: Tom Hughes**

([www.capttomhughes.com](http://www.capttomhughes.com))

**Vendor: Gary @ Spankin Stripers**

([www.spankinstripers.com](http://www.spankinstripers.com))

and

**Joe Cox from The Reel Thing Rod and Reel Repair**

(<http://www.thereelthingjc.com/>)

### **Dinner Menu:**

Beefaroni  
Corn  
Tater tots  
Garlic bread  
Salad  
Dessert

**Attendance at June Meeting: 78**

### **Raffle Winners:**

Deep Fryer : Kelly Rippeon  
Offshore Bird: Tony Tolbert  
Sweepfire 3500 Reel- Logan Harry  
Bust Em Bait Asst.\_ Tom Parker  
Salt Away- John Kisner  
Tackle Lid and Net- Jim Scott  
Offshore Dredge- Jim Bremer  
Bluewater Candy Lures- Craig Abshire  
Bluewater Candy Lures- Jim Stewart

**50/50 Raffle:** Logan Harry \$118

## **Directions To Meeting at the Frederick Moose Lodge: - Map**

From Frederick, take **I-70** east to **exit 56** (Rt. 144W). Turn slight right onto MD-144. Go 0.8 miles to 828 E. Patrick St. on the left

## **Chapter Flounder Tournament Results-**

### **Kids Tournament Winners**

Place	Name	Weight
1st	Hunter Rippeon Rod and Reel Combo/Bag of fishing Rigs	6.7 lbs.
2nd	Hunter Barley Bag Combo	6.1lbs.
3rd	Alexis Linetty Fishing Combo and Gloves	5.9 lbs.

### **Combined Weight of 4 Fish**

1st	Paul Rippeon	15.5 lbs.	\$753
2nd	Jeff Rippeon	13.9 lbs.	\$462
3rd	Chris Linetty	12.8 lbs.	\$211
4th	Ronnie Jenkins	12.1 lbs.	\$114

### **Calcutta**

Chris Linetty 4.4 lbs \$1125

### **Lucky Loser**

John Kisner \$95

## **1<sup>st</sup> Chapter Cobia Tournament**

On July 24-26, the Chapter will hold its first ever Cobia Tournament in Kiptopeke, Va. The tournament will be held from the Sunset Beach Inn Motel, and a dinner will be held on Friday night. The dinner will be Fried Chicken, Pulled Pork, Cole Slaw and Potato Salad, and will be provided by Stingrays Restaurant. The last day to sign up is July 8, 2015 at the regular Chapter meeting. See Jim Lorditch for details

## **Fishing Reports**

### **Ocean City Action**

#### **Oyster Bay Bait and Tackle, Ocean City Md and Fenwick Island Del**

Ocean City Inlet water temp. 73.9 degrees  
Delaware buoy 73 degrees

June 29, 2015

Flounder fishing heated up this week with some nice catches coming from the East Channel and the South Bay behind Assateague. Bob Weaver sent me a picture of a 9 pound six ounce, 28" doormat and a 6 pound 13 ounce 26" flattie his buddy Dan Mattio caught the same day. The big flounder were caught in the East Channel South of the Route 50 Bridge on live minnows.

Anglers tossing Gotcha plugs, spoons and bucktails from the Route 50 bridge, encountered schools of hungry bluefish up to six pounds during the incoming tides. Surf fishermen are catching some nice kingfish and a few croakers on bloodworms and Fishbite bloodworms. Sharks and skates are plentiful in the surf and are chewing on chunks of bunker and squid.

Gray Trout (Weakfish) 15" to 16" surprised anglers fishing the inlet and the Oceanic Pier. Offshore trollers fishing the 20 fathom lumps reported decent catches of yellowfin tuna, bluefin Tuna and dolphin.

## **Maryland DNR Fishing Report**

### **Maryland Weekly Fishing Report Overview | June 24, 2015**

Recently I was reading an article where a group was complaining about trash left by fishermen and their campaign to ban fishing from an area very popular with fishermen. I've found myself reflecting on all the years that I have mentored Boy Scouts, young outdoorsmen and my own sons about picking up other people's trash in the outdoors whether it comes from hikers, campers, photographers, fishermen or just visitors to the outdoors. For those who love the outdoors it is hard to understand why someone would discard trash and disgrace something we love dearly. All of us would never do such a thing and many will shake their heads when they see it. I urge everyone to go one step further and pick up other peoples trash, whether it is fishing line, blister packs or those ever popular containers of Canadian Nightcrawlers. Some of the access points we find so valuable are often abused and the abuse does not go unnoticed by others.

The upper bay region has been offering some great fishing opportunities this week for striped bass. Chumming from the Bay Bridge up to Swan Point near Rock Hall has been popular and boats can be seen anchored up at spots at the bridge and sewer pipe, the Dumping Grounds, Podickory Point, Love Point and Swan Point and several places in between. When traditional locations become crowded often a good depth finder can locate suspended fish near steep channel edges and one can find a little elbow room. Chumming and chunking can be very effective on a good tide and as water temperatures hit the 80° mark the early morning hours tend to produce some of the larger fish. There are a lot of throwback sized striped bass in the chum slicks and anglers are urged to keep their lines tight and set hooks immediately when using J style hooks. Using circle hooks is the most ethical choice to use when chumming and drifting cut baits back in a chum slick and helps significantly cut down on deep hooking of fish.

Trolling is a good option in the upper bay region and a mix of swim shads and bucktails in tandem or behind umbrella rigs has been catching a nice grade of striped bass along channel edges and lumps. Spoons are also being used with inline weights and trolled as a single lure to cut down on tangles. Jigging is another good option where suspended fish can be found. There is a lot of bait in the upper bay region in the form of menhaden which of course attracts the attention of striped bass. Jigging near the bridge piers of the Bay Bridge is always a "go to" option and this nice striped

bass held up by Matt Home who was on a visit from Reno, Nevada would spark up anyone's day.

There are plenty of white perch to be caught in the upper bay region and the action starts in the lower Susquehanna River and extends south along bay shorelines and the lower sections of the region's tidal rivers and creeks. Casting small lures along submerged structure is always a favorite past time during the summer months and early morning and evenings usually offering the best results. Fishing with bait such as bloodworms or grass shrimp can offer some fun fishing from docks and piers or out in a small boat on some of the knolls and reefs out in the bay. There are always plenty of channel cat fishing in the upper bay and the tidal rivers where cut bait and nightcrawlers will do the trick and there also are flathead catfish below the Conowingo Dam.

There is a lot of striped bass action to be had in the middle bay region and much of it is focused around the area west of Poplar Island known as the Hill. There is additional chumming action to the north near the outside edge of Hacketts Bar, east of Bloody Point, Thomas Point and the channel edge south of Buoy 83 to some extent. There are a couple of steep channel edges in Eastern Bay that are worth checking out also, one is near Hollicutts Noose and the other from Wades Point to Tilghman Point. Spot have not shown up in any appreciable numbers yet in the middle bay region so chumming and chunking with menhaden has been popular. Trolling is a good option and the western edge of the shipping channel near Chesapeake Beach has been getting a lot of attention.

Croaker fishing has been an evening affair for the most part for anyone bottom fishing in some of the major tidal rivers and out in the bay. At dusk look for channel edges leading to hard bottomed shoal such as Stone Rock or the edges of the Choptank River channel. During the day the deeper parts of the channels are worth exploring at locations like the Airplane Wreck. Bottom rigs baited with pieces of wild shrimp, peeler crab, strip baits or bloodworms will do the trick.

Shallow water fishing for a mix of striped bass and white perch continues to offer fun fishing in the early morning or late evening hours. Water temperatures are 80° or better in most areas so the best fishing does not occur during the heat of the day. Surface poppers or skipping bugs offer the best entertainment when fishing for striped bass while small spinners, jigs and spinnerbaits work best for white perch.

Fishing for striped bass in the lower bay region has not been an easy affair lately and many of the charter boats that need to produce for their patrons have been running up to the Hill in the middle bay region to chum. There is some chumming action going on at the mouth of the Potomac River for a mix of striped bass and bluefish this week. Trolling seems to be a good option this week in the lower bay region since one can cover a lot of water in the search for striped bass. There is a lot of bait in the lower bay so there is hope some of the striped bass farther up the bay will come down to feed and perhaps stick around. Most are currently trolling a mix of bucktails and spoons along channel edges in the lower Potomac River, the bay and Tangier Sound. Jigging over suspended fish can be productive and also working places where swift currents sweep past prominent points or channel edges. Cedar Point at the mouth of the Patuxent is a favorite location and over on the Eastern Shore the cuts separating Hooper's Island are a great place to work bucktails or soft plastic jigs in the currents along the channel edges. There doesn't seem to be much talk about speckled trout along the Eastern Shore marshes, not that there ever is since this is a hush, hush fishery. This year appears to be a little different so far and the talk around the docks and boat ramps are that speckled trout are few and far between.

Croakers and a mix of large spot, white perch and small bluefish are being caught in the Tangier Sound area this week with the deeper channels being fished during the day and channel edges fished at dusk. The lower Patuxent River has been offering good fishing for croakers and the fishing pier under the Route 4 Bridge has been a good place to fish as well as the Point Lookout

## Virginia Beach Action

Summer officially started this week, with the rising summer heat confirming this event. Although folks may complain about the heat, they are not complaining about the fishing, as the action continues to improve on most all fishing fronts.

Cobia are still the top target for most anglers. The bite is still good for both chummers and sight casters, with some really big fish hitting the scales. Cobia catches are coming from all over the lower Bay, with the best action occurring for chummers near Bluefish rock, the Inner Middle Grounds, and the Nine-foot shoals. Fresh cut bait such as bunker is out producing live bait lately for chummers. Site

casters continue to chase fish near the Baltimore Channel, the 3rd and 4th islands of the CBBT, as well as off the ocean front, with eels the preferred bait for now.

Flounder action is mostly steady this week, although some days are better than others in Bay waters. Plenty of keepers are available in the usual flounder spots. Anglers dragging baits near the 1st and 3rd islands of the Bridge Tunnel are lucking into some decent fish this week. Flatfish are also coming from the Cell, Buoy 42, Back River Reef, and Oyster. The biggest fish are falling for live bait and jigs around the structure of the CBBT, where several trophy fish pushing to over and 10-pounds were boated over the last week.

The Spanish mackerel bite from Cape Henry to False Cape is still good lately, with boats filling their limits with nice fish ranging from 16 to 20-inches. Small gold and silver Clark spoons trolled at 6 to 8 knots with an inline sinker or small planer is enticing the best response. Taylor bluefish are also taking these lures in the same areas.

Spadefish action picked up some at the Chesapeake Light Tower and around the islands and the high rise area of the CBBT this week. Folks are still fishing hard for limits, with a few nice fish scattered in the mix. The sheepshead action continues to escalate as anglers pick big fish off the pilings of the CBBT this week. Grey triggerfish are lurking about in these same areas, creating a nuisance for anglers targeting other species.

Plenty of big red drum are still taking baits along the Eastern Shore shoals, especially on the Nine Foot Shoals, and off Fisherman's Island. Many reds are taking the fresh bait intended for cobia. Schooling reds near the CBBT can also provide great top water action right now.

Small and medium-sized croaker are hitting in the Thimble Shoals Channel, near the 1st island of the CBBT. Larger croaker pushing to around a pound are lurking around the James River Bridge, and the Monitor-Merrimac Bridge Tunnel. Medium-sized spot have also shown within Lynnhaven and Rudee Inlets.

Amberjack are enticing a few anglers to make the long run to the Southern Towers, where a few big fish will test your strength and skills.

Deep droppers are still going strong with catches of tilefish, wreckfish, grouper, and rosefish. Several citation blueline tilefish pushing up to 15-pounds and snowy grouper pushing to 50-pounds came from private

boats trying their luck offshore this past week. Jumbo seabass are still a common bycatch in these areas.

The Virginia offshore season is off to a good start, but the good early yellowfin tuna run has scattered, with big gaffer dolphin taking up the slack. Boats are finding great catches of gaffer dolphin, with some weighing in at over 30-pounds. Billfish are arriving on the scene lately, with several reports of blue marlin hook-ups over the past weeks. Wahoo and mako sharks still a good bet, with some big wahoo pushing to over 75-pounds weighed in this week.

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## Delaware Fishing Report

By Eric Burnley Sr.\*

Updated: June 25, 2015

**DELAWARE BAY** Croaker have become the primary target for head boats and some charter boats operating from Bowers Beach to Lewes. Private boats are also getting in on the hot action. The best bite so far has been on the reef sites with the larger fish holding directly over hard structure.

If you like to catch fish that put up a pretty good fight on light tackle then croaker are for you. All you need is a box of bloodworms, strips of squid or cut fresh bait and you will be ready to catch croaker. A simple two-hook top-bottom rig armed with circle hooks and held to the bottom with a bank sinker is the best setup. Use just enough bait to cover the hooks because croaker are nibblers and will eat away long bait strips never getting to the hook. With the circle hooks I just drop back for a few seconds when I feel a bite and then raise the rod tip to set the hook. Remember, Delaware does have an eight-inch minimum size limit on croaker.

Flounder have been caught over reef sites by those who spend the time to learn how to work the rubble. You pretty much have to be on the structure to catch a flounder. Jigging with a bucktail from a boat that the captain can hold in place has been the most productive technique. Drifting over structure will also produce flounder. Some of the best baits to decorate your bucktail include squid strips, strips of fresh fish, shiners, live minnows and Gulp!

Flounder are still being caught out of the Broadkill River and the Lewes and Rehoboth

Canal. Drifting with live minnows, squid strips or shiners has been the most productive technique. Croaker are beginning to move into these waters as well.

In the upper reaches of the bay croaker have been caught from shore at Augustine Beach on down to the pier at Woodland Beach. Peeler crab is a favorite bait along with bloodworms and squid. White perch and small rockfish have been taken along with the croaker.

In the C&D Canal some big catfish have been caught on chunks of bunker and bloodworms. Reedy Point has produced a few of these nice fish.

The very occasional weakfish has been caught out of Roosevelt Inlet and along the walls in Lewes. Gulp! on a jighead has produced some of these rare fish.

**INSHORE OCEAN** On Saturday I fished on the Rehoboth Star out of Indian River Inlet. We worked Reef Site 11 and the Old Grounds for a decent catch of flounder. The number of boats at both locations indicated this was pretty much the only game in town. I was using my favorite flounder rig, a Delaware Bay Green Machine with a Tsunami Ball Jig. My bait was fresh-caught sea robin and strips of squid. At the end of the day I had boxed three flounder and one lonely sea bass. Another boat out of Southshore Marina had a good catch of sea bass and ling off the ex-destroyer USS *Arthur W. Radford* or the Del-Jersey-Land reef. Sea bass and ling were a common catch at the Old Grounds just a few years ago, but now they have moved much further offshore for reasons we can only guess.

Tuna and sharks are keeping anglers busy at various sea mounts from 20-fathoms on out. So far the tuna bite has been on the troll, but I suspect chumming will soon come into vogue. Sharks are usually caught by chumming and using the freshest bait you can find.

**OFFSHORE OCEAN** Tuna remain the primary target for offshore anglers. Both bigeyes and yellowfins have been caught at the Baltimore and Wilmington canyons. The best action seems to come at dawn and dusk so overnight trips have produced the most fish.

Dolphin and white marlin have been caught, but not in the numbers we will see later in the season.

**INDIAN RIVER INLET** Flounder fishing did improve a bit with fish caught along the southside of the inlet. The VFW Slough and

Massey's Ditch also gave up a few flatfish. Live minnows, strips of squid and Gulp! have all worked.

The best rockfish action has been after dark on drifted sand fleas or cast bucktails. Most of these rock are small with the occasional keeper landed by lucky anglers. Some croaker have shown up in the inlet. Cut bait, bloodworms or squid will attract these fish.

Blues and hickory shad move into the inlet on incoming water. Toss a bucktail to catch the blues or a shad dart to hook a shad.

**SURF FISHING** Other than sharks and skates, it is kings and croakers from the surf. Bloodworms are the best bait for the kings and croakers. Try fishing close to the wash as both species will often feed there.

## DNR in the News

### **NRP Begins Second Season of "Don't Get Pinched" Crab Enforcement Campaign**

June 30, 2015



For the second summer, the Maryland Natural Resources Police is rolling out its blue crab enforcement campaign on the Chesapeake Bay and Potomac River under the banner, "Don't Get Pinched." "Don't Get Pinched" is our way to remind everyone — recreational and commercial crabbers alike — that our officers will be on the water, on the docks, at wholesalers and at roadside stands to ensure that everyone plays by the rules," said Col. George F. Johnson IV, NRP superintendent. The campaign takes aim at those who ignore regulations on minimum sizes, harvest limits and hours, and crab pot registrations.

Officers also will be on the lookout for recreational crabbers who keep female crabs, which is illegal in Maryland. "We will use every enforcement tool available to us, including saturation patrols, undercover operations, night-vision equipment, and the cameras and radar units of the Maritime Law Enforcement Information Network," Johnson said. The reason for the effort is based in science, explained Brenda Davis, chief of DNR's Blue Crab Program.

The [2015 Blue Crab Winter Dredge Survey](#) showed the abundance of spawning-age females was 101 million, a substantial rise from 2014 when adult females were considered depleted. Despite the increase, the number of adult females remains well below the peak levels recorded in 2010 and 2011, and below the established target level of 215 million crabs.

Size, season and harvest limits are the essential management tools natural resource scientists use to protect fish and crabs from being over harvested. Illegal crabbing is a major threat to the sustainability of Maryland's blue crab population.

"We are careful about limiting the number of crabs we harvest so there will be enough crabs to reproduce and replenish the supply, which will provide good crabbing in the future," said Davis. "When crabbers cheat and ignore the rules they diminish opportunities for everyone, especially our children and grandchildren."

This year, Potomac River regulators are joining their Maryland counterparts to get out the "Don't Get Pinched" enforcement message, said Martin Gary, executive director of the Potomac River Fisheries Commission.

Gary said that with temperatures rising in Maryland waters and crabbing activities reaching their peak, now is the time to know and follow the rules.

"Unless we do our part to protect them, a part of our cherished summer tradition could be in jeopardy," Gary said.

## Tips and Tricks

### **ATTENTION TO DETAIL**

Over the years I have watched countless anglers try to catch fish. The idea that 10 percent of the fishermen catch 90 percent of the fish is very close to being true and if you watch how many people approach the sport you too can see why.

Tackle is the first thing you should examine. You don't need the most expensive stuff in the store, but you do need quality products. To this end, I recommend buying from a tackle shop in the area where you

plan to fish. The owner and the help are very familiar with local fishing situations and will guide you to the best equipment for the job at hand.

One of the biggest problems I see with equipment is reels that are half full. This restricts casting distance and also the amount of line you can retrieve with one crank of the handle. Mono line is cheap and there is no reason not to keep the reel full.

I also see many people trying to use one outfit for all fishing situations. The light action spinning rod that works great for croaker in shallow water will not do the job for the same fish when you need four to six ounces to hold bottom in deep water. Look at the base of any rod you buy and you will find information on how much weight it will hold and what pound test line should be used.

Dropping your rig to the bottom then putting the rod in a holder is another bad idea. By doing this you lose complete contact with the bottom and how your rig is working. In deep water it is often necessary to constantly let out line to keep the bait in the strike zone. With the rod in a holder the rig will end up way off the bottom where nothing will find it.

The best technique is to hold the rod and keep the reel in freespool. Jig the rod up and down and let out line when you can no longer feel the bottom. Once you can no longer feel the bottom by letting out line it is time to reel in a start again.

Changing bait is another important thing to do. Keep live bait alive and dead bait fresh. Never use rotten bait that has sat in the sun all day. Keep bait in the cooler until you need it and change everything at least every 15 minutes. Gulp! remains effective for about 30 minutes so remove it and put it in back in the liquid before replacing that bait with a fresh one.

Those 10 percent of fishermen who catch 90 percent of the fish pay attention to every detail. The more you become like them the better your chances of joining that group.

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## FREDERICK MSSA CHAPTER – 2015 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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<b>JANUARY</b>	10	- Dorchester County Flea Market – American Legion Post 91 – Cambridge, MD
	14	- <b>Frederick Meeting</b>
	17	- <b>Frederick Chapter Fishing Expo – Frederick Fair Grounds</b>
	21	- <b>Frederick Board Meeting</b>
	24-25	- Kent Island Chapter Flea Market
	29-2/1	- Baltimore Boat Show – Baltimore Convention Center
<b>FEBRUARY</b>	1-3	- MSSA Convention Center, Annapolis, MD
	11	- <b>Frederick Meeting</b>
	15	- <b>Frederick Board Meeting</b>
	14-15	- Pasadena Flea Market – Earleigh Heights Fire Co, Pasadena, MD
	21	- Saltwater Fishing Expo Annapolis Elks #622 – Edgewater MD
	21-22	- Tri State Marine Flea Market – Deale MD
	28	- <b>Dinner Dance</b> - Frederick Moose Club
<b>MARCH</b>	11	- <b>Frederick Meeting</b>
	14-15	- Essex/Middle River Flea Market
	18	- <b>Frederick Board Meeting</b>
	28-29	- Southern MD Fishing Fair – Solomons Fire Hall
<b>APRIL</b>	4	- <b>Frederick Shakedown Cruise/Brunch</b> – Sandy Point
	8	- <b>Frederick Meeting</b>
	11	- <b>Frederick Board Meeting</b>
	18	- Opening Day - Striped Bass Season
<b>MAY</b>	1-3	- 31th Annual MSSA Spring Tournament – Solomons
	13	- <b>Frederick Meeting</b>
	15-17	- <b>Chapter Flounder Tournament</b> – Chincoteague
	20	- <b>Frederick Board Meeting</b>
<b>JUNE</b>	10	- <b>Frederick Meeting</b>
	17	- <b>Frederick Board Meeting</b>
	19-21	- 22nd Annual MSSA Tunament – Ocean City & Wachapreague
<b>JULY</b>	8	- <b>Frederick Meeting</b>
	15	- <b>Frederick Board Meeting</b>
	24-26	- <b>Chapter Cobia Tournament in Kiptopeke, Va</b>
<b>AUGUST</b>	12	- <b>Frederick Meeting</b>
	19	- <b>Frederick Board Meeting</b>
	22	- 4th Annual MSSA Beach N Boat Flounder Tournament – Ocean City
<b>SEPTEMBER</b>	9	- <b>Frederick Meeting</b>
	16	- <b>Frederick Board Meeting</b>
	12	- <b>Chapter Crab Feast and Picnic</b>
<b>OCTOBER</b>	3-10	- <b>Chapter North Carolina King Mackerel Tournament</b>
	14	- <b>Frederick Meeting</b>
	21	- <b>Frederick Board Meeting</b>
<b>NOVEMBER</b>	11	- <b>Frederick Meeting</b>
	18	- <b>Frederick Board Meeting</b>
	20-22	- 20 <sup>th</sup> Annual MSSA Fall Tournament
<b>DECEMBER</b>	9	- <b>Frederick Meeting</b>
	16	- <b>Frederick Board Meeting</b>