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King Tournament Director TBD Members Meeting at the NCSU University Club. June 20, 2023, 7 PM The June Speaker will be Jodie Gay from Blue Water Candy and he will be speaking on King Mackerel fishing.

June 24 is our Spanish Mackerel outing. All members are encouraged to participate. We will share fishing stories on the fishing that day at Sportsman's Wholesale in Morehead City with refreshments. More details to come.

MEMBERSHIP REMINDER

Memberships renewal are becoming due in July. Memberships run for twelve months, so they become due in different months for different people. Fourteen members come up for renewal in July. I will be sending invoices to you using Square. You may pay using Square with a credit card or by mailing a check to the RSWSC PO Box, or by bringing your payment to the next meeting.

FISHING REPORTS

We had a few fish cards submitted online following the club meeting the other night. All of the attached pictures are from Steve Kuekes

Angler: Steve Kuekes Date of Catch: May 6, 2023 Boat: Small Boat Fish: Wahoo Size: 40 lbs Released: No Details: The fish was fought for 45 minutes

Angler: Steve Kuekes Date of Catch: 5/12/2023 Boat: Small Boat Fish: Mahi and Skipjack Tuna Size: 30" skipjack Released: No

Details: For the Club Mahi tournament we caught 3 mahi, 1 skipjack tuna, and 1 25 lb false albacore (which was released)

Angler: Walter Weeks Date of Catch:5/13/2023 Boat:Small Boat Fish: Wahoo Size: 36" Released: No Details: We fished out of Beaufort and were along a grass line rigged for Mahi. The fight was almost too much for a tired old man!







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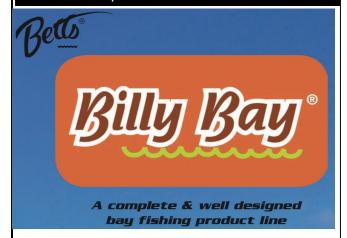
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FISHING REPORTS

Here's a little trout I caught at sunrise this morning on Oak Island. — Mike Murphy:



John McQuaid caught and released this 23.5" Speckled Trout today in the middle marshes during a breezy drizzle on a gold Chatter Bait. (He took the CCA Release Over 20 pledge!).



Morehead Military Appreciation Day (MAD) 2023

Have participated in all the Morehead MADs, with all but two with troops on my boat. First one was boatless and two years ago had a catastrophic trailer failure two weeks prior to event. Something I look forward to each year!

Had a great Plan A this year. Was planning to have my Marine neighbor with Cherry Point's VMU-2 Squadron (unmanned aerial surveillance) and his two buddies on board and have as first mate, a Mariner Harrier avionics sergeant who I had picked up as a stand-by at last year's MAD who was great in the boat. My neighbor was accepted into OCS as enlisted and off to officer basic training and my planned mate was out of town on training. But my neighbor's buddies did make the trip and it worked out great!

I had a Navy Lt Commander chaplain on my boat for last year's MAD and we have kept in touch. Given the persistent nasty NE weather the past couple of weeks, I asked him to say a weather prayer. \bigcirc And it worked! Decent weather with northerly winds < 10 mph and < 2' seas. Ran back to launch at 32 MPH.

My usually MAD plan is to troll for Spanish in the morning to put some fish in the box for the troops to take home to eat and then anchor up, put out some big baits and hope for some pullage by cobia, sharks or big rays.

Marine Sergeants Jubal and Jeremy were a great crew, one of my best and a lot of fun. They caught on quickly to the Spanish trolling deal. We only had one tangle all day and that was a frisky bluefish on the long rig and they had it untangled in a minute. And we only lost one Spanish at the boat. &

Picked at Spanish all morning fishing from Dead Tree Hole out to the Cape. Two #1 downrigger with Clark spoons, two of the speck tail rigs and a long line with a bird and Christmas tree rig. We picked away all morning with half smallish 13-14" early and half nice at 17-20 inches later in the morning. Seemed to like a water depth of \sim 30 ft. Kept 21 Spanish and 4 very nice bluefish that Jubal loves to eat. It was odd the larger spec-type rigs that worked well last year for MAD and the Club tourney were not all that productive this year but did pick up several of the larger Spanish and 3 or 4 bluefish.

Only two bites anchored up west of Bardens but Jeremy got a nice 6 foot, 80+ lb shark (possible a finetooth) and Jubal got a full-grown southern stingray. About 25-30 minutes of pullage for both anglers, which they thoroughly enjoyed.

Got back to our place by 1600 and I cleaned and bagged the fish. Jubal picked up a vacuum packer on the way home.

Chuck Ward with the Club also participated and we fished near each other all morning. Chuck and crew left the Spanish fishing to bottom fish near the Cape Lookout Jetty. Got a call from Chuck that his motor wouldn't start and I was able to relay back to headquarters his issue and TowBoat was on the way. Apparently, TowBoat got there quickly and they caught 6-7 more Spanish on the tow back in. ⁽²⁾ Touched base with Chuck a couple of days later and the issue was a problem with his battery switch, not the motor and repair was pretty simple.



Spanish Mackerel Recipe—Bernie McCants

As an Australian post-doc fellow I worked with would say, in the kitchen, 'I'm about worthless as teats on a bull'. J BUT, fortunately, 49 years ago, I married a great cook!

Below is a recipe for Spanish mackerel Peg often uses in the oven, but also works well on the grill (do know my way around a grill). Maybe other member will share their favorite recipe(s).

I have always eaten Spanish fresh, not frozen, and donate fresh-cleaned fillets to friend and neighbors. Suspect this will work well for vacuum-packed fillets if eaten within a couple of months.

Fillet the Spanish leaving the skin on. A habit I picked up from Dan Sitko is to make a 'V" in cut head end to remove the small pin bones. Can locate by rubbing fillet with finger.

Wash and pat dry fillets and place skin down on well-oiled sheet, or aluminum foil if on the grill. Brush on melted butter and add salt and pepper. Can add a bit of lemon or lime juice as well

We often will sprinkle on some Tony Chachere's Creole Seasoning to add a bit of spice. You can stop here or sprinkle on Panko bread crumbs. And/or add grated parmesan cheese on top, Press down on the topping a bit.

Heat oven or grill to 350 degrees.

Cook for around 15 minutes (less if fillets from smaller fish) and then check. Peg uses a toothpick to pick at the fish at the thickest part and it will be white and flakey throughout when done. <--- this is the key IMO to properly cooked fish. '

As with most fish, the key if to cook just long enough so it is done, but not overcook and dry it out. With the panko/parmesan topping, bake for ~ 12 minutes and change to broil for a few minutes to put a light crust on the topping. Again, do the toothpick check for doneness.

Below is a pic I got from the Reel Good Fish website (<u>https://www.realgoodfish.com/</u>) as an example of Panko/parmesan topped fish.





I spent the last two weeks at Emerald Isle, fishing out of Atlantic Beach and Emerald Isle with Mike Davis, Fred Adams, and Greg Brissette. The fishing hasn't been red hot, but we've landed a few good fish, including these: a Black Drum in the haystacks, an 18" Flounder near Brown's Island, and an 18" Speck in the middle marshes. Also some nice Spanish and a Bonito at AR315. — John McQuaid



Photos at May meeting





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KING TIDES

King tides occur when the earth, the sun, and the moon are aligned. When the sun and the moon are aligned and moon closest to the earth, we get "king tides". The result is extreme high tides, and extreme low tides. This is because the gravitational pull is essentially "stretching" water on the earth. Seawater is then pulled in an upward manner causing higher tides in some areas and lower tides in others.

Knowledge can allow you to plan a trip to look for tailing red drum in spartina or avoid getting trapped fishing skinny water on a falling tide.

Nice article on tides from Carolina Sportsman:

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2023 North Carolina King Tides Calendar

HOW TO SUBMIT AUTOMATED FISHING REPORTS

Dates, locations (general), tackle, bait and tips are greatly appreciated. You can easily utilize the new reporting tool on the Club's website. Fish Card: <u>https://www.rswsc.org/fish-cards</u>

Tripp made updates to the website for members to submit Fish Cards. The application for submitting information is through Google Forms and has been embedded into the website. When submitting a responses, members will have the ability to view other submissions.

"Google does require a Gmail account be used, if a picture was uploaded in the questionnaire. To make things easier, pictures will be emailed separately. We believe the ease of submitting responses and the ability to view all member results will outweigh having to submit a pictures separately."

You can also use the form on the following page if desired and not computer savvy.

Please send in your fishing reports, Fish Cards and photos to share with members in 2022. The newsletters are much better with fishing reports and photos.

Website & Social Media Report—Tripp Adams

Newsletters and Communication:

All other communication is managed through our listserv. Keep an eye out for meeting, newsletter, outing, etc. related emails.

You will also be received the monthly Newsletter.

Be sure to check your spam! Your first few emails could get caught up there...

Lastly – The club website has past newsletters, our events calendar, and club forum. Some features require you to register as a site member. Follow the instructions below to sign up.

1) Visit <u>https://www.rswsc.org/</u>

- 2) In the top right corner, select 'Log in'
- 3) Select 'Sign Up'

4) Select a method for registering. Your options are Facebook, Google, or your personal Email

4B) Be sure to select, 'Join site community' for event updates and forum access.

5) If using your personal email, you will need to create a password

Club Website Improvements — from Tripp Adams:

With the help from Tom Zemonek and Janson Fant, the club has a new website. We launched the new RSWSC website in November of 2020.

Built on a different platform from the old site, the club site now has a more updated and professional look/ feel. You will notice many of the tabs from the original site are the similar, with only a few key differences. Users will experience much faster load times and, a webpage made to fit mobile devices.

One key addition to the new website is the 'Meetings and Outings' tab. <u>https://www.rswsc.org/meetings-and-outings</u>

As the outings calendar is planned and updated, events will be added to the page. We also plan to have virtual club meetings in 2021, which will have meeting information listed. As the club grows into the new site, there is functionality to manage event registration, and event specific communication. These are transitions from our current procedures and will be adopted over time.

The other new feature is the 'Forum' tab. <u>https://rswsc.org/forum</u> visitors to the website will have to make an account to access the information. The idea behind the forum is that, this will be a great way for members to interact with each other, especially during these quarantine times. Several message board topics have already been created in the forum; members can post pictures, experiences with guide services, baits/ tactics, etc. This will also be a great way for members to meet other club member who have experience in their area of the coast.

As we continue to grow into the new website, you may notice changes along the way. While much of the site was built before it was published, there are always new features that can be added or adjusted. in the long term the site should be able to handle club communication for both emails and social media postings. Some of this will be a "learn as we go" process so, bear with us.

We are open to feedback on the new website. Please do not hesitate to reach out to me with questions, suggestions, and/or recommendations. Email me at tripp.adams@field2base.com

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