



Alabama Coastal Fisherman's Association

April 2019

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****April Meeting****

Thurs. April 4,

6:30 pm

Moe's Original Bar B Que

701 Springhill Ave.

Mobile, AL 36602

6:30 pm = Robert Cardin, SeaTow

7:00 pm = Captain Bobby Abruscato

2019 ACFA Calendar

Month	Meeting	Tournament
April	4	6
May	2	4
June	6	8
July	11	13
August	1	3
September	5	7
October	3	19
November	7	No Tournament
December	6*	Fri. Banquet

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Upcoming Dates:

- ⇒ April 4 = ACFA Meeting
- ⇒ April 6 = ACFA Tournament

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

April is already upon us and that's no joke! Our first tournament is in the record books, and we 'broke in' the new tournament weigh-in board. Thanks to Bancroft Enterprises Inc and our stat-man, Robert Thornton for putting that together! We are planning another fine meeting and tournament for April. If you haven't become a member or renewed, you still have a few days to do that online and qualify for our drawings to be held at the April meeting.

Membership Dues:

2019 Membership is open! Register online at www.acfafish.com and pay through PayPal to enter the drawing.

We will have 2 random drawings and give away two Engel bait coolers.

1st drawing will be for all first time members. (All first time members will automatically be entered into the drawing)

2nd drawing will be for everyone that pays via PayPal. (Those that pay through PayPal will automatically be entered into this drawing)



**If you cannot pay/register online, we will accept payment by check or cash at the ACFA meetings, and memberships may also be mailed in. (see page 6 for form and mailing information)*

Spring Breakout Tournament Saturday, April 6, 2019

Species: Speckled Trout, Flounder,
Sheepshead, Red Drum
Ground Mullet/Whiting

Weigh-In: American Legion Post 250

Time: 1—3 pm

Food: Zete Pasta

****You can weigh-in LIVE fish at any tournament weigh-in***

April Meeting Preview:

Our first speaker of the evening will be Robert Cardin of SeaTow. Robert will discuss the advantages of having a SeaTow membership and hold a Q&A session.

The main speaker for the meeting will be Captain Bobby Abruscato. Capt. Bobby will reveal some great tips and techniques for spring time speckled trout.

Corporate Sponsorship

For more information please contact David Thornton or John Erwin

ACFA Corporate Membership Tiers

\$500 Sponsorship—includes 3 Memberships, a 12x12 Logo on the Tournament Trailer, Logo in the Monthly Newsletter and Recognition at ACFA Monthly Meetings.

\$250 Sponsorship—Includes 2 Memberships, Logo in the Monthly Newsletter, and Recognition at ACFA Monthly Meetings.

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Company Name: _____

Primary Contact & Phone Number: _____

Memberships: _____, _____, _____

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****W-9 Available upon Request**

Food Report

A nasty weather day still turned into a pretty great weigh-in. The food was fabulous thanks to Romie Perez and his lady. The chicken and sausage gumbo was awesome. He made it on site very impressive, a true professional. Tina Pace put together a very nice salad and brought St. Patrick's Day cookies. Matt Hoffman helped set up, break down and brought home made banana pudding. Lynda Capp added her delicious brownies. Thanks to everyone that helped out.

Aprils food will feature Tom Brooks Zete Pasta. **We are still looking for help with French bread, salad and dessert. Let me know if you can help.**

June is still open for cooking volunteers. It's not that hard. Try it you might like it!

Send me a text. Thanks and God bless
Kyle Eckhoff 251-259-2357

2019 ACFA Tournament Weights and Lengths

Adult & Junior Tournament Minimum Length/Weights
BLACKFISH— 18"
FLOUNDER— 12"
SHEEPSHEAD— 12"
SPECKLED TROUT— 14"
REDFISH—SLOT ONLY— 16"-26" (PINCHED TAIL)
SPANISH MACKEREL— 1#
WHITE TROUT— 0.50#
GR. MULLET/WHITING— 0.50#

ADULT BFC Minimum Weights/Lengths
BLACKFISH—7 #
FLOUNDER—2 #
GR. MULLET/WHITING— 0.50#
REDFISH—5# (SLOT ONLY 16"-26")
SHEEPSHEAD— 5#
SPANISH MACKEREL— 2#
WHITE TROUT— 0.50#
CPR 23" MIN. LENGTH

JUNIOR BFC Minimum Weights/Lengths
BLACKFISH—5#
FLOUNDER—1#
GR. MULLET/WHITING—0.50#
REDFISH—2#
SHEEPSHEAD—2#
SPANISH MACKEREL—1#
WHITE TROUT - 0.50#
CPR 20" MIN. LENGTH

March Madness Recap

The day started out rainy, windy & COLD! The weather did not let up and all but the rain lingered into weigh-in time. The turn-out was what you might expect with such conditions, but a few anglers managed to bring some fish to the weigh-in table.

The Adult Division weighed in the following:

14 Speckled Trout with the top spot going to Shon Pipkin

@ 3.94 lbs.

6 Redfish with the top spot going to Mark Jones (N),

fishing in his first ACFA tournament, @ 25 ¼" & 7.10 lbs.

3 Sheepshead with the top spot going to Donnie Vinson

@ 2.75 lbs.

The Junior Division weighed in the following:

1 Redfish with the top spot going to Noah Jones (J)(N),

fishing in his first ACFA tournament @ 17" & 2.11 lbs.

1 Sheepshead with the top spot going to Candace Vinson

(J) @ 4.97 lbs.

The Sausage & Chicken Gumbo was awesome thanks to Romie Perez and his crew. Thank you also to all those who provided deserts. While the turnout was not as large as other ACFA tournaments, a big thanks goes out to all those who participated in any capacity.



March Meeting Recap:

It was a good sized crowd at Moe's BBQ Thursday March 7th for our second meeting of 2019. Kudos to all who bought raffle tickets to raise (more) money for the family of Officer Sean Tudor. We raised another \$250, and Tim Pierce (who won the drawing) redonated the rod & reel combo back to the club. Also we were privileged to have Jim Ising present to relay some sentiments from his daughter (Krissy Tudor) about the **We've Got Your VI** tournament and other efforts on their behalf. May the Good Lord (and all of us) bless them in this time of great loss!

Also present were representatives from the Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources. Thank you Director Scott Bannon, Chief Biologist Kevin Anson, Chief Enforcement Officer Major Jason Downey, Captain "Bo" Ellis and Lieutenant Troy Fisher for making yourselves so available to the fishing public. Kevin Anson gave us a very detailed stock assessments on flounder and speckled trout stocks. He highlighted how potential changes in the management of these species could help the stocks and gave us plenty to consider. We as concerned citizen/fisher folks were encouraged to let our opinions be known to the Director via his email, scott.bannon@dcnr.alabama.gov or to contact the others by accessing their emails from <https://www.outdooralabama.com/saltwater-fishing/saltwater-contacts>

And thanks to Marcus Kennedy for talking us through the process of his experiences while dealing with the ever tightening fishing regulatory process on the federal side of things. As one of the few recreationally inclined voices (at those meetings), he was speaking passionately on behalf of our interests. Many times this was in opposition to those who were only concerned for themselves, and what they could reap (or is it "rape") from the resource and the process that is supposed to protect it for everyone's benefit. He urged all present to "speak up now, to have input in this process at the state level." Thanks again Marc!

We ran a bit over on time by then, so we tried to wrap things up quickly. But we felt it was to our benefit to learn all we could about what has been happening to the flounder, and what could happen to our great recreational speckled trout fishery IF we don't act soon! I urge everyone to make their informed opinion heard as our guests encouraged (if you haven't already). That way we (and our descendants) may continue to fully enjoy these fishing resources into the future.

We have had a LOT of people sign up or renew their membership online so far. Remember, signing up online qualifies you for a special drawing at the April meeting. Just one more week to take care of that and qualify for a great prize.

Thanks to our returning sponsors: Moe's original Bar-B-Que, Tackle This - Shoot That (Jay Kretzer), Frogg Toggs (Will Fowler) and Great Days Outdoors magazine/Alabama Saltwater Fishing Report Podcast (Joe Baya) for again supporting the club. And to our new sponsors: Blake Pendleton (Skip Grizzle) and welcome aboard Bancroft Enterprises Inc. who made the new tournament weigh in board, which we christened in March.

ACFA MEMBERS IN OTHER TOURNAMENTS

The 'WE'VE GOT YOUR VI' fishing tournament was held at the American Legion Post 250 on DIP. The weather was absolutely beautiful all day, which based on what we say come by the weigh-in table, was great for the fishing as well. The food was excellent as was the entertainment. Congratulations to Justin Fadalla and his crew for an outstanding job on putting this tournament on.

Several of our ACFA members placed high in the rankings. Congratulations to all who participated in this very worthwhile event.





PLAQUE PRESENTATION as of 2019-03-16



ADULTS				JUNIORS			
PL	SPECKLED TROUT	WT	NETMAN	PL	SPECKLED TROUT	WT	NETMAN
1	SHON PIPKIN	3.94	DAVID SKOGLUND	1			
2	DAVID SKOGLUND	3.67	SHON PIPKIN	2			
3	DAVID SKOGLUND	3.55	BRAD McDONALD	3			
PL	REDFISH		NETMAN	PL	REDFISH		NETMAN
1	MARK JONES (N)	7.10	DAVID JONES (N)	1	NOAH JONES (N)	2.11	NOAH JONES (N)
2	JAMES WILSON	3.62	JAMES WILSON	2			
3	MIKE FOSTER	3.49	MIKE FOSTER	3			
PL	SHEEPSHEAD		NETMAN	PL	SHEEPSHEAD		NETMAN
1	DONNIE VINSON	2.75	DONNIE VINSON	1	CANDACE VINSON	4.97	DONNIE VINSON
2	DAVID JONES	2.00	DAVID JONES (N)	2			
3	BARRY KEITH	1.60	TREY HOLLADAY	3			
PL	GR.MULLET/WHITING		NETMAN	PL	GR.MULLET/WHITING		NETMAN
1				1			
2				2			
3				3			
PL	WH. TROUT		NETMAN	PL	WH. TROUT		NETMAN
1				1			
2				2			
3				3			



ADULTS NETMAN POINTS as of: MARCH 16, 2019



PL	NETMAN NAME	TOT PTS	SP	BLKF	FLDR	GM/W	REDF	SHPS	SP TRT	SP MC	WH TRT	MAR PTS
1	DAVID JONES (N)	11	2				5	4				11
2	DONNIE VINSON	7	2					5				7
3	MIKE FOSTER	7	3				3		1			7
4	DAVID SKOGLUND	6	1						5			6
5	BRAD MCDONALD	5	2						3			5
6	JAMES WILSON	5	1				4					5
7	SHON PIPKIN	5	1						4			5
8	TREY HOLLADAY	4	1					3				4
9	ALEX BEEBE	3	1						2			3
10	TYLER DIXON	3	1				2					3
11	BARRY KEITH	2	1				1					2
12	ANDY LAYNE (N)	1	1									1
13	DOUG DAVIS (N)	1	1									1
14	HENRY NALL	1	1									1
15	KYLE ECKHOFF	1	1									1
16	RICHARD HOFFMAN	1	1									1
17	SANDY TILLERY	1	1									1
18	TERRY WILSON	1	1									1
19												0
	TOTAL PTS. TO DATE	65	23	0	0	0	15	12	15	0	0	65



BFC CURRENT STANDINGS - ADULTS

as of: 2019-03-16



PL	PTS	BLACKFISH 7# min	WT	PL	PTS	FLOUNDER 2# min	WT	PL	PTS	GR. MULL/WHTG 0.5#min	WT	PL	PTS	REDFISH 5#min Slot Only	WT	PL	PTS	CPR 23" min	Length
1	10			1	10			1	10			1	10	MARK JONES	7.10	1	10	GRADY LeBLANC	25 7/8"
2	9			2	9			2	9			2	9	NOEL RILEY (N)	7.04	2	9	JEB MANN	24 3/4"
3	8			3	8			3	8			3	8	JOSH TIDMORE	6.04	3	8	GRADY LeBLANC	24 1/8"
4	7			4	7			4	7			4	7			4	7	JOHN HOWARD	23 3/8"
5	6			5	6			5	6			5	6			5	6	JOHN HOWARD	23 1/8"
6	5			6	5			6	5			6	5			6	5		
7	4			7	4			7	4			7	4			7	4		
8	3			8	3			8	3			8	3			8	3		
9	2			9	2			9	2			9	2			9	2		
10	1			10	1			10	1			10	1			10	1		
PL	PTS	SHEEPSHEAD 5# min	WT	PL	PTS	SP. MACKEREL 2# min	WT	PL	PTS	SP. TROUT 4# min	WT	PL	PTS	WH.TROUT 0.5# min	WT	PL	PTS		
1	10			1	10			1	10			1	10	JOHN HOWARD	2.12	1	10		
2	9			2	9			2	9			2	9	JOHN HOWARD	1.91	2	9		
3	8			3	8			3	8			3	8	JEB MANN	1.90	3	8		
4	7			4	7			4	7			4	7	JOSH TIDMORE	1.24	4	7		
5	6			5	6			5	6			5	6	JOSH TIDMORE	1.22	5	6		
6	5			6	5			6	5			6	5			6	5		
7	4			7	4			7	4			7	4			7	4		
8	3			8	3			8	3			8	3			8	3		
9	2			9	2			9	2			9	2			9	2		
10	1			10	1			10	1			10	1			10	1		

**** New Club Record * First to weigh in (N) New Member (L) Lady Angler**



ADULTS TOURNAMENT LEADERBOARD

as of: MARCH 16, 2019



PI	ANGLER NAME	TOT PTS	SP	BLKF	FLDR	GM/WH	REDF	SHPS	SP TR	SP MC	WH TR	MAR PTS
1	MARK JONES (N)	7	2				5					7
2	DONNIE VINSON	6	1					5				6
3	SHON PIPKIN	6	1						5			6
4	DAVID JONES (N)	5	1					4				5
5	DAVID SKOGLUND	5	1						4			5
6	JAMES WILSON	5	1				4					5
7	MIKE FOSTER	5	2				3					5
8	BARRY KEITH	4	1					3				4
9	DAVID McDONALD	4	1						3			4
10	ALEX BEEBE	3	1						2			3
11	SANDY TILLERY	3	1				2					3
12	TREY HOLLADAY	2	1				1					2
13	VICKI FOSTER (L)	2	1						1			2
14	BRAD McDONALD	1	1									1
15	BRAD PIERCE	1	1									1
16	DOUG DAVIS (N)	1	1									1
17	KYLE ECKHOFF	1	1									1
18	MICHELLE NALL (L)	1	1									1
19	RICHARD HOFFMAN	1	1									1
20	TERRY WILSON	1	1									1
21	TYLER DIXON	1	1									1
TOTAL PTS TO DATE		65	23	0	0	0	15	12	15	0	0	65



BFC CURRENT STANDINGS - JUNIORS

as of: 2019-03-16



PL	PTS	BLACKFISH	5# min	WT	PL	PTS	FLOUNDER	1# min	WT	PL	PTS	GR. MULL/WHTG	0.5# min	WT	PL	PTS	REDFISH	2# min Slot Only	WT	PL	PTS	CPR	20" min	Length
1	10				1	10				1	10				1	10	KENZLEIGH BOSARGE (J)	7.22	1	10				
2	9				2	9				2	9				2	9	RAELYNN BOSARGE (J)	6.60	2	9				
3	8				3	8				3	8				3	8	NOAH JONES (J)(N)	2.11	3	8				
4	7				4	7				4	7				4	7			4	7				
5	6				5	6				5	6				5	6			5	6				
6	5				6	5				6	5				6	5			6	5				
7	4				7	4				7	4				7	4			7	4				
8	3				8	3				8	3				8	3			8	3				
9	2				9	2				9	2				9	2			9	2				
10	1				10	1				10	1				10	1			10	1				
PL	PTS	SHEEPSHEAD	2# min	WT	PL	PTS	SP. MACKEREL	1# min	WT	PL	PTS	SP. TROUT	2# min	WT	PL	PTS	WH. TROUT	0.5# min	WT	PL	PTS			
1	10	CANDACE VINSON (J)	4.97	1	10					1	10				1	10	KENZLEIGH BOSARGE (J)	1.38	1	10				
2	9				2	9				2	9				2	9	RAYLEE STORER (J)	1.24	2	9				
3	8				3	8				3	8				3	8			3	8				
4	7				4	7				4	7				4	7			4	7				
5	6				5	6				5	6				5	6			5	6				
6	5				6	5				6	5				6	5			6	5				
7	4				7	4				7	4				7	4			7	4				
8	3				8	3				8	3				8	3			8	3				
9	2				9	2				9	2				9	2			9	2				
10	1				10	1				10	1				10	1			10	1				

** New Club Record * First to weigh in (N) New Member



JUNIORS TOURNAMENT POINT TOTALS

as of: MARCH 16, 2019



PI	ANGLER NAME	TOT PTS	SP	BLKF	FLDR	GM/WH	REDF	SHPS	SP TR	SP MC	WH TR	MAR PTS
1	CANDACE VINSON (J)	6	1					5				6
2	NOAH JONES (J)(N)	1	1									1
	TOTAL PTS TO DATE	7	2	0	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	7



JUNIORS NETMAN POINTS

as of: MARCH 16, 2019



PL	NETMAN NAME	TOT PTS	PP	BLKF	FLDR	GM/W	REDF	SHPS	SP TRT	SP MC	WH TRT	MAR PTS
1	NOAH JONES (J)(N)	2	2									2
2		0										0
	TOTAL PTS. TO DATE	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2

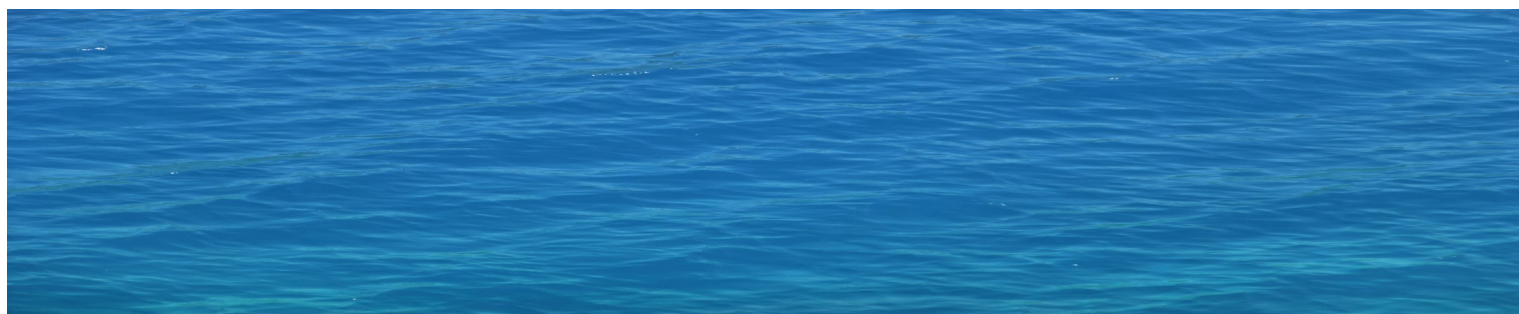


BFC CURRENT STANDINGS - JUNIORS as of: 2019-01-29



PL	PTS	BLACKFISH	5# min	WT	PL	PTS	FLOUNDER	1# min	WT	PL	PTS	GR. MULL/WHTG	0.5# min	WT	PL	PTS	REDFISH	2# min Slot Only	WT	PL	PTS	CPR	20" min	Length
1	10				1	10				1	10				1	10	KENZLEIGH BOSARGE (J)	7.22	1	10				
2	9				2	9				2	9				2	9	RAELYNN BOSARGE (J)	6.60	2	9				
3	8				3	8				3	8				3	8			3	8				
4	7				4	7				4	7				4	7			4	7				
5	6				5	6				5	6				5	6			5	6				
6	5				6	5				6	5				6	5			6	5				
7	4				7	4				7	4				7	4			7	4				
8	3				8	3				8	3				8	3			8	3				
9	2				9	2				9	2				9	2			9	2				
10	1				10	1				10	1				10	1			10	1				
PL	PTS	SHEEPSHEAD	2# min	WT	PL	PTS	SP. MACKEREL	1# min	WT	PL	PTS	SP. TROUT	2# min	WT	PL	PTS	WH. TROUT	0.5# min	WT	PL	PTS			
1	10				1	10				1	10				1	10	RAYLEE STORER	1.24	1	10				
2	9				2	9				2	9				2	9			2	9				
3	8				3	8				3	8				3	8			3	8				
4	7				4	7				4	7				4	7			4	7				
5	6				5	6				5	6				5	6			5	6				
6	5				6	5				6	5				6	5			6	5				
7	4				7	4				7	4				7	4			7	4				
8	3				8	3				8	3				8	3			8	3				
9	2				9	2				9	2				9	2			9	2				
10	1				10	1				10	1				10	1			10	1				

** New Club Record * First to weigh in (N) New Member



BFC LEADERBOARD - JUNIORS as of: 2019-01-14



PL	ANGLER NAME	POINTS	BLACKFISH	FLOUNDER	GR.MUL/WHT	REDFISH	SHEEPSHEAD	SP. MACKEREL	SP. TROUT	WH. TROUT	CPR
1	KENZLEIGH BOSARGE (J)	10				10					
2	RAYLEE STORER	10								10	
2	RAELYNN BOSARGE (J)	9				9					





Alabama Coastal Fisherman's Association Membership Application Form

Mail to: Sean Gibbs, 9792 Camberwell Drive, Daphne, AL 36526

Date: _____

Name: _____ (Please use common name (nickname, Sr. Jr. etc)
that you will use in the tournaments and wish to have listed on member lists and in the newsletter to help avoid confusion.)

Street Address: _____

City, St & Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

First Time Member: _____ Y _____ N

Online Screen Name: _____ (if registered on the online forum)

Boat Type/Make: _____

Boat Name: _____

% time fishing with: Artificial _____ Live Bait _____

Topics you would like discussed at meetings:

% of time targeting: Speckled Trout _____ Redfish _____ Flounder _____

White Trout _____ Sheepshead _____ Spanish Mackerel _____

Referred/Sponsored By: _____

Family members that qualify to fish tournaments on your membership, including step children.

Spouse _____

Children (under age 16 before February 1st) _____

I hereby release ACFA (Alabama Coastal Fisherman's Association), its officers and members from any and all damages, claims, demands, costs or expenses relating to injury or damage I suffer or cause whether known now or which I may sustain or which I may cause by reason of participating in or in conjunction with this or any other ACFA Club function including but not limited to; tournaments, meetings and other events.

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