

Alabama Coastal Fisherman's Association



August 2010

Next meeting: August 5th
Time: 7:00 p.m.
Speaker: Capt. Dan Kolenich
Quick Hits: Joey Gates
Mini-seminar: Dave Thornton
Next tournament: August 7th
 Mobile Bay Grandslam
 American Legion Post 250

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President's Message

The dog days of summer are here and with any luck, the fishing will be just as hot in the coming weeks. We had another great tournament in July. Thanks to Keith Kenney for assisting with cooking, Vicki Foster and George Harrison with cleanup, it was appreciated. With the closure of the bay waters to shrimping, most shrimpers being with the V.O.O. and the actual cost of shrimp at this time, the August tournament weigh in will most likely NOT be a shrimp boil. We will most likely have red beans and rice or sandwiches. We are trying to line up our "liar extraordinaire", Mike "Captain T-Bone" Thompson to speak at the August meeting. See you at the meeting.



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David Montgomery proves there is still fun to be had in the Alabama waters that are only open to catch and release fishing with this nice slot red.

July Meeting Recap

A pile of fishing related junk was peddled at bargain basement prices prior to the meeting at the annual "July Junksale". Bill "Banditt" Brady's family donated the remainder of his personal tackle store to be sold for the benefit of the club. Banditt's trinkets raised \$80 for the club. That's more buns than even Vince can burn. On the more serious side, Dr. John Dindo from the Dauphin Island Sea Lab discussed the potential impacts of the oil spill on our local waters and the Gulf, and Major Chris Blankenship with AMRD explained the temporary regs in place because of the closed waters. Mike Lee gave the Quickhits on tips for fishing with kids.

Junk Sale Reminder

To those that were able to clear out their closets, garages, storage sheds, etc. by getting rid of some of their junk at the July Junk Sale, please remember to pay 10% of your proceeds back to the ACFA as soon as possible. Its not just a service we offer the members, but also a fundraiser for the club.

July "Rodeo Warmup" tournament results

The July Rodeo Warmup was held on July 10, 2010. In spite of there being no Rodeo to warmup for some nice fish were brought to the scales. No one died from Vince's cooking either (that we are aware of), so it was a success all around.

Speckled Trout Creel

1. Mark McPherson & Brad McDonald	19.75
2. Budd Barr & Jimbo Miller	16.95
3. Trevor Wood & Greg Robinson	14.70
4. Ed Greer & Jay O'Brien	13.45
5. Mike & Vicki Foster	6.80

Blackfish

1. Donal Garrettson	12.60
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Flounder Creel

1. John & Donnie Fassbender	6.75
2. Tim & Teena Pierce	6.35
3. Ed Greer & Jay O'Brien	5.30
4. Bill Perry & Alvin Bell	5.15
5. Doug & Carson Tierce	5.05

White Trout

1. Trenny Woodham	1.00
2. Lee Eubanks	0.90
3. Mark McPherson	0.65*
4. Brad McDonald	0.65
5. Theo Koulianos(J)	0.65

Redfish

1. Tyler Dixon	5.65
2. Bill Graves	5.20
3. Rick Tourne	5.10
4. Bob Ward	4.70
5. Trenny Woodham	4.00

Junior White Trout

1. Theo Koulianos(J)

August Meeting –August 5th

David Thornton will be the Mini-seminar speaker at 6 p.m. He will put his computer nerddom to use and discuss internet resources concerning the oil spill. He will also put his decades of pier fishing experience to use to discuss catch and release fishing from the Gulf State Park pier. Local inshore guide Capt. Dan Kolennich will be the main speaker. Joey Gates will give the Quickhits.

August “Mobile Bay Grandslam”-August 7th

The categories for the August tournament will be speckled trout, redfish, flounder, white trout and blackfish. There will also be an award for the angler that weighs in the biggest “Grandslam” of speckled trout, redfish and flounder. Also, five “bonus” tournament points will be awarded to any angler that places in each of the three slam categories. In years past, this has been an almost impossible feat, but now that places are awarded 1st through 5th place, rather than just 1st through 3rd, there is an increased chance that some lucky angler will complete the coveted Slam.

Outdoor News

State of the Causeway Tournament-Saturday, July 31st

Various local conservation organizations and the club are sponsoring the State of the Bay Tournament and Oil Spill Discussion. A captains meeting will be held Thursday July 29th at the Delta Fish House(formerly Oysterellas) from 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm. Speakers will include Dr. George Crozier, Capt. Joey Aburscato, and Ken Rice of the Oiled Wildlife Rehab Center. The tournament will be held on Saturday July 31st from 5 am to 2:30 pm with a weigh-in from 2:30 pm to 3:30 pm at the Delta Fish House. Categories include speckled trout, flounder and blackfish. Tickets are \$10 for adults. Kids 12 and under fish for free. The trout category will have a 14-20 inch slot. 1st and 2nd place finishers will receive cash. There will be band from 4:30 pm to 6:30 pm and a cash bar. The purpose of the tournament is to update local anglers on the state of our waterways, share information, have questions answered and socialize with other anglers. Please consider attending the captains meeting and buying a ticket even if you can't fish the tournament. Any money collected that goes beyond expenses and tournament payouts will be donated to a worthy cause. Attend the captains meeting or contact Kendall Dexter (251-583-4598) for more information.

5th Annual Tarponalooza-August 14th

For at least four years now, a dedicated group of club anglers has made an annual pilgrimage to assorted parts of the middle of the Bay, immersed themselves in pogie filth, and done battle with countless jacks and hardheads in a fruitless quest to land the elusive tarpon. Albert Einstein once said the definition of insanity is doing the same thing over and over again and...I forget. This year's Tarponalooza has been set for August 14th. We have no idea where we will be leaving from, where we will be fishing, or when we will be leaving. Its all part of the fun. For more information, or lack of information, see the webforum <http://www.acfafish.com/cms/phpBB2/viewtopic.php?f=5&t=10025> or contact moi.

ACFA'ers in other tournaments

Mississippi Deep Sea Fishing Rodeo-July 1st-4th, Gulfport, MS

Congrats to O.P. Harrison and Trenny Woodham for a good showing in the Mississippi Deep Sea Fishing Rodeo. O.P. and Trenny took 2nd place in the 5 speckled trout creel. Trenny also took 1st place speckled trout, and O.P. took 2nd place flounder.

Louisiana Saltwater Series-Empire, LA -July 10th

Congrats to Bernie White, and his dad Steve White, for placing third in the Louisiana Saltwater Series Redfish Tour tournament out of Empire, LA, on July 10th. Team White weighed in a two fish stringer of 16.34 lbs. Club members Joey Gates and Rusty Young took 4th place with a stringer of 16.03 lbs. and also took the big fish pot with an Oprah Winfrey-sized slot red of 9.08 lbs.

HT3 Redfish Tour-Delacroix, LA- July -24th

Barnie White and partner Chad Dufrene took first place at the HT3 Redfish Tour out of Delacroix, LA on July 24th. Congrats. Again.

Liar Liar-July 17th

Club founder Mike Thompson took the threepat for the Alabama Deep Sea Fishing Rodeo liars contest on or about July 17th. Mike claims he has now retired from the contest, but few believe him. Even without an actual fishing tournament, the ACFA still dominates.

2010 Tournament Point Standings

19 pts- Trenny Woodham;

18 pts-O.P. Harrison. Theo Koulianos(J), Tim Pierce;

17 pts-Donald Garrettson;

15 pts-George Harrison, Rick Tourne;

14 pts- Alvin Bell), Ed Greer;

13 pts- Bob Ward;

12 pts- Doug Tierce;

11 pts- John Fassbender;

10 pts- Rudy Baugh (N), Bud Barr, Shawn Dixon;

9 pts-Mark McPherson;

8 pts- Tyler Dixon, Jackson Eubanks (J), Danny Fassbender, Brad McDonald, Henry Nall, David Thornton, Teena Pierce (L), Trevor Wood;

7-pts- Erik Nelson, Doug Smith, Carson Tierce (J);

6 pts- Noah Barker (J), Jamie Dixon, Lee Eubanks, Richard Hoffman, Jr., Joseph Hughes (J), Jared Kelly, Chase Maxwell(J), Jimbo Miller, Jay O'Brien, Steve Odell, Bill Perry, Bryan Sullivan (J);

5 pts- Bill Graves, Mike Foster, Vicki Foster(L), Vince Hawkins, Chrisitan Howell (J), Jerome Parsons, Donna Schantz (L);

4 pts- Daniel Ford, George Koulianos, Greg Robinson, Richard Schantz(N),

3 pts- Adam Barker, Shane Ford, Jim Foster, Todd Golomb, Jackson Hughes (J), Patrick Hughes, Ryan Hoffman (J), Bill Midgette, Frank Mitternight;

2 pts- Patric Garmeson, Jacob Guy (J), Donny Howell, Ted Lawson, Bubba Maxwell, Jason Miller, Richard Hoffman (Sr.),

1 pt- Kaleb Barker (J), Gene Cooper, Chloe Chaffin (J), Ronnie Dyson, Danny Finch, Evan Fassbender, Marty Garmeson, Taylor Guy (J), Phillip Guy, Lindsey Hawkins(J), Doug Houston, Donny Hester, Keith Henry, Bruce Howle, (J), Barry Keith, Keith Kenny, Anna Kouilanos (J), Steve Laurendine, Austin Lee, Mike Lee, Autumn Lundy (L), Jeb Mann, Bob Maclay, Bill Patterson, Joe Sirmon, Leslie Smith, Jerry Torrans, Phillip Ward, Larry Watkins.

2010 Bigfish Standings

	Blackfish	Wt	Flounder	Wt	Ground Mullet	Wt	Redfish	Wt
1 st	Ed Greer	13.00	Alvin Bell	5.15	Marty Garmeson*	2.50	Theo Koulianos(J)	7.75
2 nd	Donald Garrettson	12.60	Bill Graves	4.86	David Thornton	2.30	Theo Koulianos(J)	6.95
3 rd	Kyle Mitternight	11.20	Doug Tierce	4.42	David Thornton	2.15	Trenni Woodham	6.85
4 th			Jamie Dixon	4.31	Marty Garmeson	2.15	Donald Garrettson	6.55
5 th			Sharon Markow(L)	4.06	Tim Pierce	1.00	Jim Foster	6.45
6 th			Jamie Dixon	3.87			Bob Ward	6.20
7 th			Bill Midgette	3.09			Tyler Dixon(J)	5.65
8 th							Phillip Guy	5.40
9 th							Tyler Dixon(J)	5.40
10 th							Bill Graves	5.20
	Sheephead	Wt	Spanish Mackerel	Wt	White Trout	Wt	Speckled Trout	Wt
1 st	Vicki Foster(L)	9.62	Vicki Foster	3.03	George Harrison	1.48	David Thornton	6.60
2 nd	Theo Koulianos(J)	9.45			Jackson Eubanks (J)	1.25	David Thornton	6.56
3 rd	Patric Garmeson	9.36			George Harrison	1.22	George Harrison	6.36
4 th	Kyle Mitternight	9.24			Carson Tierce	1.05	Bill Perry	6.20
5 th	Ed Greer	7.80			Trenny Woodham	1.00	Ed Greer	6.16
6 th	Bill Graves	7.70					Donald Garrettson	6.15
7 th	Theo Koulianos(J)	7.50					Trenny Woodham	6.05
8 th	Mike Foster	7.05					O.P. Harrison	6.05
9 th	Vicki Foster	7.03					Trenny Woodham	6.02
10 th	Henry Nall	6.55						

*New Club Record

CPR Speckled Trout: 1st -Carson Tierce(J) 27.75", 2nd -Noah Barker 25.50", 3rd -George Harrison-25.00", 4th -Patric Garmeson-25.00" 5th -Adam Barker 24.25, 6th -George Harrison 23.75", 7th - Doug Tierce 23.50", 8th -Chloe Chaffin (J)-22.00"

Reminders

All monthly meetings are held at American Legion Post 88 on Halls Mill Road, at 7 p.m. on the first Thursday of every month
2010 dues are due now, pay by mail to avoid crowds and qualify for prizes.

2010 Big Fish Contest is now running until Nov 14, 2010. Our Statistician MUST receive cards within 30 days of catch.

Fill out and send Bigfish cards to: Adam Barker 1682 Heartland Circle Robertsdale, AL 36567(947-2579)

Please remember, NO SMOKING in the meeting room. Thanks for helping to make a healthier family environment.

Please buy your drinks for meetings and weigh-ins from the American Legion. Outside alcohol is not allowed.

And PLEASE be respectful of our speakers (and members who want to hear them) by refraining from any unnecessary talking or moving about during the presentations. And we ask that you save your questions until the end of their talk.

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ACFA----We catch fish----Get the net!!!

Under no circumstances will the Alabama Coastal Fisherman's Association (ACFA) be responsible for the welfare of any members, guests or equipment while attending meetings or engaging in ACFA tournaments or the challenge.