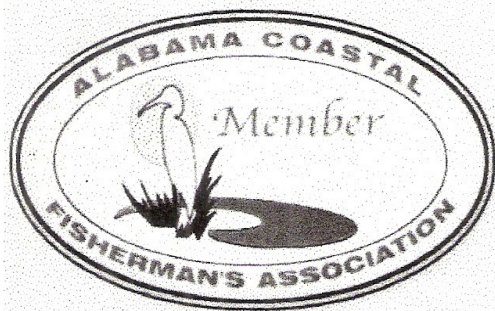


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JULY Newsletter

The July meeting of ACFA will be held on Thurs. July 3rd at 7pm at the American Legion Post 88, 2663 Halls Mill Road. (Please note that this is the last night before the big, 3-day 4th of July weekend!)

This is our once only, annual Junk Sale meeting when our members will be selling their used or unneeded sporting items throughout the evening. In addition, our program for the evening will be a preview of the 2003 Alabama Deep Sea Fishing Rodeo which will be presented by members of the Mobile Jaycees and, finally, the twice rescheduled fisherman's tour of Gaillard Island with Bill Midgette doing the "guiding".

June Tournament

On Sat. June 7th we were mostly spared by the wet weather that has been plaguing our area and our tourney fishing members were able to get in a fairly dry Saturday of fishing. Some decent fish were presented to weighmaster Pat Hughes with winning weights that were better than those posted on a public tournament held on the same day.

Once again our June tournament/fish fry was a great success. Thanks to Post 250 for allowing us to use their fine facilities. And special thanks to Charlie Dowdle for bringing a good plan to a great conclusion! Charlie and Mr. John Boudan (member of Post 250) did all the frying and more thanks to Joe Sirmon who handled the fish cleaning duty. Where would we have been without these folks?? It's estimated that we fed upwards of 125 people which included members of the post and our fishermen and ACFA family members.

Results from the competition follow:

Speckled Trout

Frank Mitternacht	5.90lbs.
Earl Hopper	4.75lbs.
Jep Hill	4.45lbs.

Flounder

Keily Fulmer	2.75lbs
John Fassbender	2.50lbs
Kyle Mitternacht	2.35lbs

White Trout

Bud Barr	1.90lbs.
Donald Garrettson	1.40lbs.
Matt Perry	1.10lbs

Ground Mullet

Scott Lewis	1.10lbs
Bobby McElroy	.65lbs
Barry Keith	.60lbs

No July ACFA Tourney

Be sure to remember that in deference to the Alabama Deep Sea Fishing Rodeo (3rd weekend in July) and our members who regularly participate in it, we do not schedule a July tournament. Our next tourney will be the Mobile Bay Grand Slam on August 9th.

Congratulations!

Several ACFA members have scored big in recent public tournaments and we thought that you should know who they are: Bekki Ludlam finished 1st in Spanish Mackerel at 6.15lbs. and was named Lady Angler in the Yellowjacket Tournament; Donald Garrettson won the Speck division with a 6.56lb. fish in the Mystic Stripers Rodeo; and Bill Patterson had a 5.6lb. Speck to capture second in the recent Education Tournament.

Continuing Club Business

1. The attendance contest jackpot prize continues to grow. Be sure to sign in at the door.
2. Remember to pick up your free pair of new, larger 2003 boat decals if you haven't already done so. See Bekki!
3. Tee shirts, fishing caps, and the new logo'd fishing/boat towels will be available at this meeting. See Bud Barr!
4. If you are able, Bekki Ludlam is still accepting donations (items or cash) to enhance the attendance prize package. Small or larger donations will be gratefully accepted.

ACFA Rod Raffle

For the first time ever ACFA is conducting a fishing rod raffle in order to raise funds for future club activities. This rod will be a custom job from local rod builder Don Ludlum. Basics on the rod are: 6'1/2' medium power with fast action tip, 8 Fuji eyes, and cork handle. The rod will be personalized with the winner's name. The retail price for this unit is about \$100.00. Raffle tickets have been priced at a low \$2/ ticket or 3 tickets for \$5. We don't think that you can beat this for value, and we hope that you and your friends will assist ACFA by purchasing several tickets. Raffle tickets will be available at our July meeting with the winner to be drawn in the near future. We will appreciate your support in the endeavor.

ACFA July Junk Sale

It's that time again. Time for our second annual "junk" sale. As fishermen and boaters we always seem to have an accumulation of "stuff" that we really don't use (or want) any longer. Well, get ready to move those items off the shelf, from the boat, closet, storeroom, or garage and bring them to our July meeting. Operating under the old axiom that "somebody's trash will surely be someone else's treasure" ACFA conducts this yearly opportunity for you to A) Relieve yourself of some unwanted items and make some money in the process; B) Buy that item that you've been wanting at a greatly reduced price; and C) Make a little money for our club treasury. Items for this sale can be anything (large or small) even remotely related to fishing, boating, and trailering. We hope that every member will check through their tackle and boating items and bring a couple of things to the meeting. Don't worry about age or condition—just price each item at whatever you can stand and watch it find a new home. Last year many items changed hands and about \$200.00 was spent by the membership. Of course, we hope to better those figures in 2003.

Using the honor system we ask that each seller total up his sales for the evening and then deliver 10% of the total to our club treasurer Tom Duncan. This means that if you sell an unwanted ice chest for \$5.00 you take \$0.50 to Tom. We don't pretend to make a lot of money from this junk sale—just some to help with future club projects. We do depend on the honesty of our individual members to get 10% to the treasurer for the sales they make during the evening.

This year the junk sale begins at 6:30 and continues 'til trading is completed. Get there early for the best selection and great deals.

Each member having items to sell should place those items on the table at which you're sitting. This way the members can browse all around the room and you can better tend to your sales.

We hope to have some price tags and scotch tape available at the meeting, but it would help if your items are clearly priced when you arrive to avoid confusion. Remember--1) Be sure to attend this meeting. 2.) Bring something to sell. 3.) Bring some spending (mad) money. 4.) Try to bring that money in change and small bills.

Big Fish Contest Standings 2003

6/23/2003

	Blackfish	WT	Flounder	WT	Ground Mullet	WT	Redfish	WT
1			Eugene Pierce	3.65	Bruce Howle, Jr.	1.67	Bud Barr	7.05
2			Patrick Hughes	3.25	Doug Smith	1.20	Charlie Dowdle	6.80
3			Bruce Howle, Sr.	3.00	Scott Lewis	1.10	Gerald Markow	6.65
4			John Fassbender	3.00	Bruce Howle, Jr.	1.08	Bobby McElroy	6.65
5			Larry Markow	2.90			Mike Thompson	6.20
	Sheepshead	WT	Speckled Trout	WT	Spanish Mackerel	WT	White Trout	WT
1	Bruce Howle, Jr.	9.88	Michael Pierce	7.00	Becki Ludlum	6.15	Kyle Mitternight	2.33
2	Don Ludlum	9.55	Billy Hurd	6.98	Don Ludlum	5.25	Del Delchamps	2.26
3	Angie Howle	9.25	Bruce Howle Jr.	6.96			Bud Barr	1.90
4	David Hare	9.15	Alvin Bell	6.95			Eugene Pierce	1.93
5	Brooke Jemison	8.60	Bruce Howle Jr.	6.58			Eugene Pierce	1.82

ACFA TOURNAMENT STANDINGS

PLACE	MEMBER	POINTS
1	Kyle Mitternight	24
2	Bobby McElroy	19
3	John Fassbender	13
3	Barry Keith	13
4	Bud Barr	12
4	Charlie Dowdle	12
4	Scott Lewis	12
5	Kelly Fulmer	11
5	Bill Midgee	11
5	Michael Pierce	11
6	Alvin Bell	10
6	David Hare	10
6	Frank Mitternight	10
7	Bruce Howle Jr	9
7	Eugene Pierce	9
7	Doug Smith	9
7	John Winer	9
8	Donald Garretson	8
8	Don Ludlum	8
9	Earl Hopper	7
10	Angie Howle	6
10	Wes Knight	6
11	Frank Durnievy	5
11	Matt Perry	5
11	Oce Wade	5
12	Jep Hill	4
12	Larry Markow	4
12	Howard Perry	4
12	Joe Sirmann	4
12	Keith Vaughn	4
13	Mutt Burke	3
13	Jeff Dure	3
13	Gerald Markow	3
13	Mike Thompson	3
14	Del Delchamps	2
14	Bruce Howle Sr	2
14	John Markow	2
14	Nicolas Markow	2
15	Ray Dutton	1
15	Pam Durnievy	1
15	Briney Howle	1
15	Billy Hurd	1
15	Doug Houston	1
15	Pat Hughes	1
15	Brooke Jemison	1
15	Peyton Jemison	1
15	Bekki Ludlum	1
15	Sharon Markow	1
15	Bill Patterson	1
15	Burch Pierce	1
15	Tommy Pond	1

****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.****