



Virginia Coastal Fly Anglers

JANUARY 2013

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NEXT MEETING: SATURDAY, JANUARY 19, 2013

Bayside Presbyterian Church at the corner of Ewell Road and Independence Boulevard. Social hour will begin at 6:30 with dinner starting around 7:15. There will be a cost of \$15.00 per person and a side dish is requested from each family.

You need to RSVP to DavidDembickiDM@gmail.com or Virginia-CoastalFlyAnglers@gmail.com.

Please confirm soon so we can adequately plan.

PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

Happy New Year! Here's wishing all of you and your families a very prosperous and Happy New Year filled with lots of tight lines! We have a lot planned for the year and want to make it the best ever for VCFA. But we know we don't have all the answers or know what everyone would want from the club, so if you have any trips you would like to see us sponsor or a subject you would like for a monthly speaker, be sure to contact any of the club officers. Our next big event is the Annual Banquet on Saturday, January 19, 2013 when we will install our new officers and board members plus have a great night of fellowship.

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2013 MEMBERSHIPS

Membership renewals are now being accepted. The yearly membership fee will remain the same, \$30.00. You can get the membership application on the website – vdfa.org. Please submit a form with your renewal so we can make sure the database is updated with your current information. Membership form can be found on the back page of this newsletter.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS: Mike Buss, President; OPEN, Vice-President; Dave Dembicki, Treasurer; Larry Clemens, Secretary;

MEMBERS AT LARGE: Chris Burbage, Mike LaHorner, Kendall Osborne, MEETING Ed Owens, Arlene Rephan, Jack Rephan Scott Reppert, Ron Russell,

MEETING SCHEDULE

All information is tentative and subject to change. Current information will be posted on the Website (www.vcfa.org) and Facebook

JANUARY 19	Annual Dinner
FEBRUARY 21	Allen Cain, Redfishing in Wilmington, NC
MARCH 21	Vinc Staley, Rappahannock Shad
APRIL 18	Late Spring Fishing Opportunities
MAY 16	Trout Fishing



TRIPS in the planning

Cape Henlopen, MD

Wade Fishing trip for flounder.

Wilmington. NC

Redfish on the flats. Boat trip or guide opportunities.

Harker's Island

October 19 0 November 03. Same details as in the past years

Contact Mike Buss for reservation information

Mike4519@verizon.net

Presidents Message (Continued from Page 1)

Congratulations to all of our new officers and board members. The board members are: Chris Burbage, Noel Horne, Mike LaHorner, Kendal Osborne, Ed Owens, Jack and Arlene Rephan, Scott Reppert, and Ron Russell. I will again be your president with Larry Clemens as secretary, and Dave Dembicki the treasurer. Ron Russell received a strong write in vote for vice president and will serve as the vice president until someone will step up and help him.

Be sure to mark your calendars for Saturday, January 19, for the Annual Banquet. We will have it at the Church with a social hour beginning at 6:30 pm and food served at 7:30 followed by a fishing slide show and raffles. The cost will be \$15 per person and we are asking everyone to bring a dish. Please RSVP to Dave Dembicki at **DavidDembickidm@gmail.com** so he can coordinate the dishes and we don't end up with everyone bringing a tub of potato salad! In addition, Kevin DuBois is putting the picture show together and he needs pictures of fish you all have caught throughout the year, so if you would like to share your successes with us, be sure to email those pictures to him. Kevin's email is ispeakforthewetlands@verizon.net. We already have a lot of really neat raffle items and it is always a fun time. Annual dues are also due and payable and if you pay at the banquet you get 10 free raffle tickets. We have kept the cost the same, \$30 for the year and that includes all family members. We have a couple of really good speakers scheduled to get the year off to a great start.

In February, Capt. Allen Cain from Wilmington, North Carolina will be speaking to us about the fishing possibilities around his home waters of Wilmington. He will also show us how to tie some of his favorite fly patterns during the fly tying session prior to the regular meeting that starts at 6:30 pm. In March Vince Staley from Fredericksburg will talk about all the fishing opportunities on the Rappahannock River. He was the guy who clued us in on where to fish for shad and stripers last year and we had our best year ever for shad and we started to catch some stripers with his help! It should be a very informative session. We will again have the house at Harkers, and this year we will be checking in Friday, October 18, and checking out Sunday, November 3, the day after the BBQ.

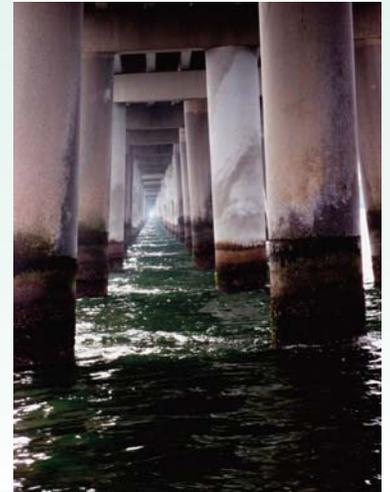
I moved the dates up a week to avoid the traditionally unpredictable November weather and it will allow us to fish the late Spanish Mac bite. They typically run over 5 pounds. We will also be renting a boat for use by those staying at the house. More details will follow as we get closer to October. We also have a shad trip planned for April with the dates and details TBD. I'm sure after Capt. Cain's talk in February there will be some interest in going down there as well. Fishing is picking up for the big stripers and will get better with each passing day. Larry's brother was out trolling off Cape Henry last week and in just a couple of hours caught 2 stripers over 50 pounds and 4 of them over 40 pounds. He said they were not deep and we would have had a shot at them with flies.

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The fish are here, now we just need the weather to cooperate and the winds to lighten up and we will be able to get out after them. One last note, many of you requested we continue with the newsletter. It is labor intensive, but we will try to get it out quarterly but we need your input to make it more interesting. So if you have any pictures, news of trips you have taken or anything else you would like to see in the newsletter, please let us know.

Thanks again for all of your help this past year and I look forward to another great year!

Tight lines to all! Mike Buss



Virginia Coastal Fly Anglers **MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL**

Date: _____ (dd/mm/yyyy)

Membership is **\$30.00** annually and includes all family members. Please complete this form with a check made payable to VCFA. You can bring the completed form and check to the next meeting, or mail it to our club treasurer at VCFA, P.O. Box 2866, Virginia Beach, VA 23450-2866

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Please Circle: **New Member** **Renewal**