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## FIRST CLASS MAIL DATED MATERIAL

## **JCAA Hi-Roller Raffle**

July 11<sup>th</sup> • \$3,285 in Prizes

JCAA Annual Fluke Tournament Suspended



### Jersey Coast Shark Anglers 2024 Tournament Schedule

Kids Fishing Fever - July 20 Flukin' Fiesta - August 17 Striper Fever - November 2-9

For information go to www.jcsa.org

#### Forked River Tuna Club 2024 Tournament Schedule

War at the Shore Meeting - March 17 Fishing and Hunting Flea Market - April 6 Bi-Club Fluke Tournament - July 27 Tuna Tournament - August 24, 25 Tournament Rain Date - August 31, Sept. 1

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New Jersey Beach Buggy Association PO Box 511, Seaside Park, NJ 08752 Buggy Membership Info: Ken Hollins 732-814-7021 www.NJBBA.org Fighting for Beach Access & Conservation Since 1954



**Manasquan Fishing Club** PO Box 513, Manasquan, NJ 08736

Meetings held first Friday of the month at 7:30pm Manasquan Woman's Club, 62 Main Street www.manasquanfishingclub.com

## JCAA NEWSPAPER MAY 2024

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"WORKING FOR MARINE RECREATIONAL ANGLERS"

#### JCAA REGULAR MEETING

April 30th, 2024, 7:30pm

Jersey Coast Shark Anglers Building 385 Herbertsville Rd, Brick, NJ 08724 or via Zoom, for link contact:

tothjohn@verizon.net or mtsport64@aol.com

#### NEXT JCAA BOARD MEETING Thursday, May 9th

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Committee and Chairpersons listed on last page

#### **IMPORTANT DATES**

April 30<sup>th</sup> JCAA General Meeting May 9<sup>th</sup> JCAA Board Meeting May 19<sup>th</sup> Governor's Surf Fishing Tourn. @IBSP May 28<sup>th</sup> JCAA General Meeting June 13<sup>th</sup> JCAA Board Meeting June 25<sup>th</sup> JCAA General Meeting July 11<sup>th</sup> JCAA Board Meeting

No General Meetings in July & August

August 1<sup>st</sup> -4<sup>th</sup> Heavy Hitters Tournament August 8<sup>th</sup> JCAA Board Meeting

## JCAA Hi-Roller Raffle

By Paul Haertel

Once again, this year we will be having our Hi-Roller Raffle and as you can see there are some really nice prizes. This is one of our major fundraisers so please buy some tickets. If you buy tickets, I absolutely guarantee you will have a chance to win. If you want tickets call the office at 732-506-6565 or email jcaa@jcaa.org. The prizes listed below have a *total value of \$3,285*.

The drawing will be held **July 11, 2024**, during the July JCAA board meeting. Note that the drawing will take place at the old JCAA location in Toms River NJ.

#### New Jersey Amin. Code § 13:47-8.7

Location: At the JCAA office located at: 1594 Lakewood Rd., Unit 13, Toms River, NJ 08755

Drawing Date: July 11, 2024, at 7:30 pm NJLGCCCC Identification: #475-4-32152 Municipal Raffle License: #9702 Beneficiary: Jersey Coast Anglers Association

Price of Ticket: **\$2 each, 3 for \$5, or a book of 7 for \$10** 

#### List of Prizes & Retail Values

- Jersey Nutz Six Man Charter (6-hour, 6-man inshore weekday charter) – \$1200, Donated by Captains Robert and Cody Melton
- 2. 7' Palmarius Model 1/Canyon HS 16 Conventional Combo – **\$545**, *Donated by Palmarius Rods and Canyon Reels*
- 3. \$500 Gift Certificate from Fisherman's Headquarters – **\$500**, *Donated by Fisherman's Headquarters*
- 4. 10'6" Tsunami Airwave/SaltX 4000 Spinning Combo – **\$500**, *Donated by JCAA*
- 5. 7' Magictail/Penn Battle III DX Spinning Combo – **\$390**, Donated by Magictail Outfitters and Penn Fishing
- 6. 7' Penn Battle II 4000 Spinning Combo **\$150**, *Donated by Penn Fishing*

*Note*: No substitution of the offered prize may be made and no cash will be given in lieu of the prize.

## **President's Report**

By Mark Taylor

It is the time that everyone is getting excited for, to get their tackle and boats ready for the spring fishing season. As all of us have experienced, from time to time it doesn't always go as planned but seems to always to work out. I want everyone to go enjoy the sport they love and the memories that last forever. JCAA would like to wish everyone a safe and enjoyable season.

As we enter the month of May, the major show season, that JCAA had booths and tables in, has come to an end. There are still flea markets and seminars held by fishing clubs and local bait and tackle shops. Please support them when you can because they support you.

In the March newsletter, I mentioned that JCAA was going to have their election of YR2024 Officers tabled for a few reasons. However, all concerns have been addressed and the election will be held on April 30th at the General Membership Meeting. I am highly recommending each club to have

their club representative at this meeting either in person or by zoom. We need to continue to move forward as an Association and this is a key component.

An update on the new Jersey Coast Anglers Association Office. It is a slow process, but it is moving in the correct direction. At this point of time, I will be scheduling the May JCAA Board Meeting at the new office in Wall Township. I think it would be more productive for the board to answer more questions about what needs to be done and what order to complete the new office. If any individuals are willing to volunteer in this effort, please contact me at 732-245-9445. I would like to thank those that have volunteered already and are continuing to do so.

The Jersey Coast Anglers Association thanks Ricciardi Brothers Paint for their donation of 14 gallons of Benjamin Moore paint to repaint the interior of the new office. Thank you to Jeff LaFrance of the Sales and Marketing Department for arranging this. Also thank you to Peter Merkel, Manager of Ricciardi Brothers Eatontown store for making up the paint. The JCAA is truly appreciative of this donation. The JCAA still needs volunteers to help with the repainting of the office. This was all coordinated by Stephen Machalaba who has been a real force with the new office, wish there were more like him. Thank you, Steve.

Remember that the High Roller Raffle is in full swing and is a fundraiser for JCAA. If you have not purchased raffle tickets at one of the shows or fleamarkets that JCAA was at, please reach out to JCAA to purchase a book or two. This drawing is July 11th so don't miss out on these great prices and helping support JCAA.

It is not too early, if you are like me and try to plan things in advance, mark your calendar. I want you to plan on attending these next events. In August, JCAA we will be holding the Heavy Hitters Tournament which Paul Haertel will be coordinating and be chairman. For more information, read his articles. On November 10th JCAA will be having if Annual JCAA Sportsperson of the Year Dinner. This is an outstanding event every year. Make sure you plan to participate in both.

I have been invited to attend the American Sportfishing Association (ASA) Government Affairs Committee Meeting in Alexandria, Virgina on April 24th and 25th. This is two days of information on issues throughout the United States. I am very honored to be invited. I am hoping to write more articles about the information I receive at these meetings and bring it to you. Hoping the weather starts getting better for people to do what they need to do and start enjoying the sport you love. It is extremely important to pass your knowledge and love for the sport to others, especially the younger individuals.

Get Involved, unite as a community so the future of recreational fishing as we know it will not be gone.

**Important Information**: JCAA will be suspending its coastwide JCAA Fluke Tournament for 2024 because of the lack of participation. Please support the JCAA Heavy Hitters, Hight Rollers Raffle and JCAA Dinner. I will cover this in more detail in the next JCAA newspaper.

The next meeting is scheduled for May 28<sup>th</sup> at 7:30pm and will be held in person at 385 Herbertsville Rd., Brick, NJ 08724. (Hybrid Meeting)

## JCAA Show Season Recap

By Mark Taylor

It is extremely important to acknowledge the individuals that volunteer their time to support JCAA and for others to see who they are. As everyone knows JCAA was at two multi-day and several single day shows. I will do my best to acknowledge everyone, but I am sure I will miss some individuals, I want to apologize in advance. You will see there are names that will appear at other shows but what it does not show is the individuals that volunteer more than one day at a show. It would be nice if more individuals step up, so they do not have to take away more time from their busy schedules just to help JCAA. This is not fair to them, so I hope others step up and to give them a break, it is your association too. Below you will see the shows with the list of individuals.

The 37<sup>th</sup> Annual Saltwater National Seminar Series featuring George Poveromo was at Resorts Casino Hotel in Atlantic City on Saturday February 3<sup>rd</sup>. The three individuals that were there were **Don Marantz**, **Al Marantz**, **Steve Machalaba**.

The 2024 Atlantic City Boat Show was held at Convention Hall in Atlantic City from Wednesday February 28th to Sunday March 3<sup>rd</sup>. This was JCAA's first multi-day and longest show of the YR2024 which requires a lot of volunteers to be effective. The great group of individuals are **Frank Macalik**, **Chris Tyls**, **Karen Noe, Michele Kohler, Eleanor Bochenek**, Ron Zastocki, Ron Nachmann, Bill Figley, John Toth, Todd Heinemeyer, Ryan Germain, Andrew Giordano, Tom Gestite, Paul Haertel, Eric Engard, Robert Wood, Mark Taylor, Jack Pongracz, and Todd Heinemeyer.

The 2024 Saltwater Fishing Expo was held at the Raritan Center in Edison from Friday March 15th to Sunday March 17<sup>th</sup>. This was the second multi-day show that JCAA was at. This show's volunteers were **Karen Noe**, **Michele Kohler**, **Paul Haertel**, **Tom Gestite**, **Mike Taffuri**, **Steve Machalaba**, **Stephanie Regetz**, **Mary Regetz**, **Paul Shafer**, **Jack Pongracz**, **Mark Taylor**, **John Toth**, and **Andrew Giordano**.

There were a few fishing club flea markets that JCAA had tables at. **Paul Haertel** was the major force coordinating this. I would like to thank Paul for all he has done and continues to do. We all owe all these people that volunteer time from their busy personal schedule a huge gratitude.

## Fisheries Management & Legislative Report

By Tom Fote

#### **ASMFC Spring Meeting**

Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission's 2024 Spring Meeting April 29-May 2 will be the week the newspaper comes out so the committee chairs and I will report on the meeting next month. JCAA is still looking for chairpersons for the species committees that will attend the meeting virtually and write a report on the meeting. If you cannot attend the meeting on the ASMFC schedule, you can listen to the tape of the meeting that is recorded and read the summary on your time schedule. This information is usually posted the week after the meeting on the ASMFC web page. If you have any questions, please give me a call and I will walk you through it.

#### Two Supporters of Sportspersons throughout New Jersey Passed this Month

#### Edward John Markowski Jr

I first met Ed when he was a Conservation Officer with the NJ Division of Fish, Game and Wildlife. He ultimately retired from this vocation after 27 years of service, ascending to the rank of Deputy Chief. His

roles with the division were varied, ranging from game warden in the southern district to water pollution and marine enforcement. In all these roles he would aways answer JCAA and my questions about laws governing NJ wildlife. He became a great resource for the questions I had. He freely gave me his insight into what I and JCAA should be doing on several issues. When he retired, he became very involved in the NJ State Federation of Sportsmen Clubs continuing his work on protecting our environment. Edward became involved with the New Jersey Outdoor Alliance (NJOA), where he held the role of President until his passing. It was an organization that brought three of his greatest passions together - a love for biology and science, a dedication to law enforcement and a desire to protect and preserve our environment. Ed passing is a great loss to his family but also to all of New Jersey and not just the sportspersons of NJ.

#### **Buch Pawson**

I knew Buch for years. He was always a great supporter of JCAA. He would tell us what a great job we were doing. I think the first time I met him was giving a talk at Saltwater Anglers of Bergan County. He is a past President of the SWBC and a member HRFA. I know he was also a member of many other clubs. He supported JCAA by donating many prizes over the years to our many functions. If JCAA needed prizes for our raffle, kids and veterans' events, we could always count on Buch. He and Michelle would attend and support the JCAA Dinner over the years. He was the type of club member you wanted since he would not sit by the sidelines but roll up his sleeves and get involved and help a club grow. Besides being a great loss to Michelle and his family, he will be a loss to the many clubs he belongs to.

#### ASA Government Affairs 2024 Spring Meeting Overview

#### By Tom Fote

Mark Taylor and I drove to DC on Tuesday for the ASA Spring Government Affairs Meeting that started Wednesday morning. When you look at the agenda below, you see that we had full days. This was Mark's second year at this meeting. He is learning about the members and how the committee functions. There are many topics covered and Mark attended every meeting. The briefing book for this meeting is over 30 pages long and chock full of information. There were 32 members of the ASA Government Affairs Committee in attendance. Even though those 32 members are not on all of the subcommittees, most of them attended all of the meetings. A large portion of those 32 members come from the companies what are members of ASA. Some, like JCAA, belong to NGOs that are affiliated with fishing. It is amazing to me how ASA Government Affairs has grown.



Left to right: Patrick Gill (TackleDirect), John DePersenaire (Viking Yachts), Mike Waine, (ASA, group co-lead), Kevin Blinkoff (On the Water Media), Thomas Fote, (JCAA), Mark Taylor (JCAA)

When I began attending these meetings it was before the Sportfishing Institute became ASA. That was 15 members sitting around a table with some NMFS members and others discussing issues once a year. When the trade show joined with the Sportfishing Institute and became ASA, there was a Government Affairs Committee. We looked at all the issues as a whole. We did have a Commerce Committee, Saltwater Committee and a Freshwater Committee. Over the years this has greatly expanded. Mike Leonard's job is Vice President for ASA and Government Affairs. Now there are different committees with different staff. Mike Waine is in charge of North SNE East. Martha Guyas is the staff person for Saltwater South East, Larry Phillips for Saltwater Pacific and Connor Bevan for Fresh Water. These ASA staff persons go to Council Meetings, Commission Meetings, and many others for their area of responsibility. It gives ASA a real voice in the whole country. They have not only become important players for our issues on Capitol Hill but with all this extra staff they are now involved in individual states, councils, and commissions. They are there looking out for the rights of saltwater and freshwater anglers throughout this country. They have become an important voice for us nationwide.

Besides the agenda, Mark and I were included in making Hill visits to Federal legislators. We did that on two topics that are important on both coasts: wind power and the right whale rules. When we walk into those offices, they know who ASA is and have had many conversations with ASA staffers. We serve as the local voice. I am proud to be a member of ASA Government Affairs and will continue to do this work for as long as I can. I need to give a special thanks to Glen Hughes, president of ASA, for his guidance and leadership in moving ASA forward. If you are a manufacturing company, a tackle representative, or an NGO, you should belong to ASA. If you are an individual, you should join ASA's advocacy group, Fish America, and sign up for their alerts.

#### Wednesday, April 24

• 7am – 8:30am	Breakfast – Foyer outside of Ballroom
• 8:30am – 10am	Full Committee – Ballroom
• 10am – 11am:	Saltwater East – Ballroom
• 11am – Noon	Congressional Staff Panel on
	Right Whales – Ballroom
<ul> <li>Noon – 1pm</li> </ul>	Lunch - Foyer outside of
	Ballroom
<ul> <li>1pm – 2:30pm:</li> </ul>	Saltwater East (continued) –
	Ballroom
<ul> <li>2:30pm – 5pm</li> </ul>	Saltwater West– Ballroom
<ul> <li>5:15pm – 5:30pm</li> </ul>	Uber to TRCP Dinner – National
	Building Museum, 440 G St NW

#### Thursday, April 25

•	7am – 8:30am	Breakfast – Foyer outside of Ballroom
•	8:30am – 10am	Freshwater – Ballroom
•	10am – 11am	Trade & Commerce – Ballroom
•	11am – Noon	Federal Marine Fisheries Data Collection Discussion with Anderson Tran (Rep. Garret Graves)
•	Noon – 1pm	Lunch
•	1pm	Depart for Capitol Hill Meetings
•	5pm – 7pm	CSF-ASA Reception – American Legion, 224 D St. SE

You can find a summary of the ASA's Government Affairs committee spring meeting on their website at <u>this link</u>. For any questions, contact Mike Leonard at ASA (<u>mleonard@asafishing.org</u>).

## JCAA Membership Report

By John Toth

Moving all of our JCAA equipment from our Toms River location to Camp Evans is a work in progress with painting to be done and carpets to be cleaned and still function to do the administrative things that must be done. On April 9th, Karen Noe, Paul Turi (our former office Manager) and I met at the Camp Evans office and worked on producing the invoices for club dues that will be sent to all clubs who have not paid their dues to date. To expedite this process, I have used our JCAA envelopes with our former address and covered them with Avery labels that are not professional looking but are functional. All invoices for JCAA club dues have been mailed to member clubs. Please make your checks payable to the JCAA and mail them to the Camp Evans address and not at my home anymore.

I have received checks from these clubs as payment for their membership dues and sponsorships: **Hi-Mar Striper Club** - \$500, **Salt Water Anglers of Bergen County** - \$100, **Raritan Bay** - \$50, **Spring Lake Live Liners** - \$50 dues & \$50 purchase of JCAA Raffle Tickets, **Manasquan Fishing Club** - \$50 dues & \$250 Sponsorship, **Newark Bait & Flycasting** -\$100, **Seaside Heights Fishing Club** - \$100, **Sunrise Rod & Gun Club** - \$50, **Paul Shafer** - \$200 Sponsorship, **Jon Brunetti** - \$100 Sponsorship.

Mark Taylor and I met with the Sunrise Rod & Gun Club on April 5th to talk about fishing regulations and windmills that are planned for New Jersey. As always, we had a good time meeting with this club and enjoyed their company.

If you are still interested in having a presentation to your club, please contact me at my email address or phone number mentioned below. To schedule a presentation, I need to know the date, time, and address of your club meeting and a contact person to coordinate with. I have been contacting clubs to schedule a presentation and I would appreciate your getting back to me at your earliest convenience.

Our next JCAA General Membership meeting be on **April 30<sup>th</sup>**, **2024**, and it will be held as an inperson meeting at the Shark Anglers Building in Herbertsville and by ZOOM starting at 7:30 p.m.

*I can be contacted at <u>tothjohn@verizon.net</u> or at (732)* 656-0139 if you have any questions.

## **Youth Education Report**

By Greg Kucharewski

#### 33<sup>rd</sup> ANNUAL GOVERNOR'S SURF FISHING TOURNAMENT

The 33rd Annual Governor's Surf Fishing Tournament (GSFT) will be held at Island Beach State Park on Sunday, May 19, 2024. Get ready to enter the largest surf fishing tournament along the Jersey Shore. Don't miss a day of family fishing fun! Pick up a brochure about the tournament at Island Beach State Park or at your favorite tackle dealer. Admission to the park is *FREE* for the tournament. Early registration ended on April 19 so see the NJ Fish & Wildlife tournament page for more registration information.



If you would like to enter a surf fishing workshop for veterans the day before the tournament, please <u>register</u> <u>online</u> or contact Alanna Newmark 609) 462-0743.

We would like to remind our physically challenged anglers that there is an area at OBA 1 with beach wheelchairs available. Anglers that are not able to walk in the sand can now get to the water and try surf fishing. The JCAA Youth Education Committee is helping novice and physically challenged anglers at the Governor's Surf Fishing Tournament. Celebrity Ford Toms River, NJ will assist physically challenged anglers with a NEW 2024 4x4 VIP vehicle to transport anglers that will fish the reserved area in front of OBA 1. Members of the Vietnam Veterans of America (Chapter 12) and volunteer anglers from various fishing clubs will also aid physically challenged anglers. If you know a disabled veteran or angler that would like to fish the tournament, please phone Kevin Nolan, American Warrior Outdoors at 732-504-5492.



#### 4x4 VOLUNTEER JUDGES NEEDED AT ISLAND BEACH STATE PARK

The State of New Jersey 33rd Annual Surf Fishing Tournament at IBSP is looking for volunteer judges to ride the beach during the tournament and verify the length of fish caught by contestants.

Volunteers that would like to be a part of the tournament and measure fish will receive a 2024 Judges hat and compensation for fuel on the beach. We already have some Play HOOK-e from PTSD veteran volunteers signed up to judge.

For details, please contact Ken Hollins, Judge Chairman to become a volunteer judge, email to rugburnsbleed55@optimum.net or phone Gary Conk @ 1-609-556-9241.

#### FREE VETERAN FISHING CHARTER

Sandy Hook Bay Anglers and Play HOOK-e will sponsor two free Veterans charters with Dark Horse Charter Captain Justin. Each boat will accommodate six passengers.

To reserve a space contact Karen Noe at <u>ginoe0113@gmail.com</u>. Date: May 7th, 1-5 PM, Atlantic Highlands Marina. Special thanks to JCAA, VVA Chapter 12 and WYLD Grant Format Imaging, Barry Hessinger and others who are making this possible.

#### EARLE NAVAL PIER FISHING CLINIC

Disabled veterans learn how to fish Earle Naval Fishing Pier, Fishing Clinic date: May 9<sup>th</sup> and Fishing on the Pier May 25<sup>th</sup>. Sean Moley, Pier Fishing Program Monitor, and members from American Warrior Outdoors are assisting disabled veterans with learning how to fish at the pier. Contact Sean for more information at: <u>seanmoley66@gmail.com</u> or Phone:732-895-6032.

#### JCAA YOUTH EDUCATION

Learn about how you can help protect recreational fishing. Become a member volunteer or an associate member to support the voice of recreational anglers. Is recreational marine fishing getting better or worse? Let us know so we can do something about making saltwater fishing better for the future of fishing. Become a JCAA associate member today. Click this link to register.

#### HIGH SCHOOL SURF FISHING CHALLENGE AT ISLAND BEACH STATE PARK

The Jersey Coast Anglers Youth Education Committee is encouraging high school students to participate at the Island Beach State Park 33rd Annual Surf Fishing Tournament. High school teams are already gearing up for the tournament. Five students per team plus a high school representative must accompany each high school team. If you know a school team that would like to register for this event, please email Karen Byrne at karen.byrne@dep.nj.gov.



Please visit the JCAA Website for updates and don't forget to register for the <u>Free NJ Saltwater Recreational</u> <u>Registry Program</u>.

#### 9<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL HOFNOD YOUTH FISHING CHALLENGE

NJ Fish and Wildlife presents its ninth annual Get Hooked On Fishing, Not On Drugs Youth Fishing Challenge on the weekend of June  $1^{\text{st}}-2^{\text{nd}}$ . The free event is held and multiple locations throughout New Jersey and each may have their own start and end times. For list of host sites and other information, monitor <u>this</u> <u>page</u> at NJ DEP.



#### NEWARK BAIT AND FLY-CASTING CLUB VETERAN FISHING TRIP

Newark Bait and Fly-Casting Club will host their annual veteran fishing trip on the Big Mohawk out of Belmar on Monday, June 10<sup>th</sup>. This trip fills quickly, register early so you do not miss a fun fishing trip. This is always a fun event and as is the past Play HOOK-e will supply a rod and reel prize for our veterans. Contact Rich MacDonald for more information about this trip at <u>rich@nbbcc.org</u>.

#### FINS FOR FREEDOM VETERAN FISHING TRIPS

Fins For Freedom will take place on May 18, 2024. Fishing and the day's events will be held at Atlantic Highlands Municipal Marina, 2 Simon Lake Drive Atlantic Highlands, NJ 07716. For more information visit their <u>website</u>.

#### SUCCESSFUL WOMEN VETERANS AND ACTIVE-DUTY FISHING DAY



Photo by Kevin Nolan

Karen Noe, JCAA Office Manager and organizer of our first JCAA and Vietnam Veterans Association Chapter 12 Play HOOK-e Women Veterans/Active-Duty Fishing Day on April 20, 2024. It was a momentous success in bringing awareness to PTSD among our Women Veteran population. Everyone had a fun time "playing hook-e" from stress, catching fish and eating 'Italian hot dogs' at Vito Cardinales' Ponderosa Estates at Lake Julianna. Many thanks to the Manasquan Elks for sponsoring the 'Italian Hot Dog' lunch by Chef Michele, VVA-12 for sponsoring the band 'IT'S COUNTRY' who played the 70's and 80's for all to enjoy. And of course, Vito for providing a spectacular setting.



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