

THE NORFOLK ANGLERS CLUB

# WIRELINE

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*Adventures On The Water*, Inshore Fishing on Light Tackle

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# Leadership Notes...

Fellow Norfolk Anglers,

What a great time the Fall Social was! A beautiful day, great friends, and lots of food made the day special. Thanks to all that supported the event with their side dishes, desserts, and helping out.

There's two events coming up you should take interest in. On November 28th at 4:00pm at VMRC (Ft Monroe) the Menhaden Management Advisory Committee is meeting to consider management actions. On December 6th is the next Marine Resources Commission meeting. Both meetings are in the VMRC meeting room, 380 Fenwick Rd, Ft Monroe, VA 23651.

- Will



## On The Cover:

Brian Westmoreland from Harrisburg, PA joined fellow Norfolk Anglers for a perfect day fishing the Norfolk Canyon for Sea Bass, Black Belly Rose Fish, and Blueline Tilefish.

## Meeting

**Guest Speaker:** Captain Robert Smith with *Adventures On The Water*, specializing in light tackle inshore fishing.

Whether your choice is fishing the inshore waters, local bridge structures, or the back rivers Capt Smith will be sharing his expertise targeting a variety of species on light tackle.



**Important:**  
**November 21st**  
**NAC Meeting at Boil Bay**  
**Seafood City, Norfolk, VA**

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## Club Calendar

### November

Mon, Nov 21st: Regular Club Meeting, Boil Bay  
Seafood City, Norfolk

Mon, Nov 28th: 4:00pm Menhaden Management  
Advisory Committee (MMAC) Meeting,  
Fort Monroe

### December

Tues, Dec 6th: Virginia Marine Resources  
Commission Meeting, Fort Monroe

Mon, Dec 19th: Club Holiday Party, Boil Bay  
Seafood City, Norfolk



Earlier this year, we told you about the RecFish app being developed by Dr. Lisa Kellogg and colleagues at the Virginia Institute of Marine Science. Its goal is to encourage recreational anglers to collect and contribute catch data to help improve fisheries science. Once it's fully developed, the user-friendly, free app will also tell anglers the species and length of their catch and whether it is legal to keep and safe to eat.

Dr. Kellogg says that, with the help of photos you submitted, the computer model can now identify 60 fish species with 95% accuracy and another 20 species are in the works. That represents thousands of submitted pictures!

You can help by going to [www.recfish.org](http://www.recfish.org) and uploading your fish photos. RecFish especially needs photos of:

- Kingfish (a.k.a. Roundheads, Kingcroaker, Whiting, Sea Mullet)
- Flounder and other flatfish

Phase 2 of app development is almost complete, and, when it is, you will be able to use the app to upload your fish photos directly from your phone. Until then, keep those pictures coming at [www.recfish.org](http://www.recfish.org)!



Photo: Joy Baber

**Norfolk Anglers Club Prize Fish Entries**  
**January 1, 2022 - October 31, 2022**

<b>Freshwater</b>	
Species	Name (#Entries)
Crappie	James Eisenhower (5) Russell Willoughby (6)
Chain Pickerel	Russell Willoughby (1)
Blue Catfish	Mary Troutner (1) George Langdon (1)

<b>Saltwater</b>	
Species	Name (#Entries)
Shark	Kelly Hoggard (2)
Roundhead	Kelly Hoggard (1)
Speckled Trout	James Eisenhower (8) Ned Smith (1) Bert Sainz (1) Louis Glaser (1)
Cobia	Alex Perez, Sr (2)
Red Drum	Kelly Hoggard (4)
Blueline Tilefish	Jere Humphrey (1) Mike Hubert (2) Mike Burton (1) Henry Troutner (1)
Blue Marlin	Mike Hubert (1)
Pompano	Kelly Hoggard (1)
Black Sea Bass	Mike Hubert (1)

\*\*\*\*Virginia Saltwater Tournament (Saltwater) or Department of Wildlife Resources (Freshwater) Citation paperwork or the Norfolk Anglers Club Prize Fish entry form must be submitted to James "Ike" Eisenhower via email to [NorfolkAnglersClub@gmail.com](mailto:NorfolkAnglersClub@gmail.com)

***For the 2022 Tournaments, ALL entries need to be submitted to [NorfolkAnglersClub@gmail.com](mailto:NorfolkAnglersClub@gmail.com)***

***Documentation from Virginia or North Carolina Fisheries or Wildlife agencies, as well as, the Norfolk Anglers Club Prize Fish paperwork is acceptable.***

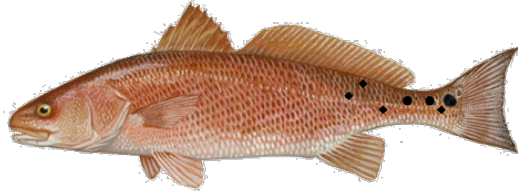


**Speckled Trout  
Club Members Tournament  
May 1st - November 30th**



- This is a Norfolk Anglers Club Members tournament running from May 1st until November 30th
- Targeted Species is Speckled Trout (any length)
- \$5 Entry Fee due before fishing
- For fish caught in Virginia and/or North Carolina waters only
- This is a Total Length Tournament Only
- Winner determined by; 1. Total Length of fish, 2. Date of Catch, 3. Date of entry submission
- 1st Place \$100 Gift Card and 2nd Place \$50 Gift Card
- All fishing must be in accordance with State fishing regulations for recreational anglers
- Entries must be submitted via the Norfolk Anglers Prize Fish Entry Form (Available at [www.NorfolkAnglersClub.com](http://www.NorfolkAnglersClub.com)) and submitted by email to [NorfolkAnglersClub@gmail.com](mailto:NorfolkAnglersClub@gmail.com)

# Club Members Tournament for 2022



## Redfish "Spots" Tournament

### Rules

- Must be a Norfolk Anglers Club Member
- Tournament for fish caught between January 1, 2022 and December 31, 2022
- Must have the Norfolk Anglers Club decal in the photo with the fish on a measuring device\* showing the total length of the fish. See NAC Prize Fish Contest Rules for measuring info. \*Entries received with decal and no measurement can only be judged by number of spots.
- Red Drum/Redfish up to 26 inches in length only and caught in Virginia and North Carolina waters
- Awards determined by 1st: number of Spots (on one side), 2nd: Largest Fish up to 26 inches, 3rd: Date of Catch
- Entries submitted on the Club Prize Fish Entry Form with photo (can be sent electronically to [NorfolkAnglersClub@gmail.com](mailto:NorfolkAnglersClub@gmail.com))
- No entry fee except the cost of the decal (\$1)
- \$50.00 Gift Card to the 1st Place Angler, \$25.00 Gift Card for the 2nd Place Angler.



## Oyster Toadfish Tournament

### Rules

- Must be a Norfolk Anglers Club Member
- Tournament for fish caught between January 1, 2022 and December 31, 2022
- Awards determined by 1.Total Weight, 2. Date of catch, 3. Date of entry submission
- Additional Award for Best Oyster Toad Photo
- Entries submitted by email to [NorfolkAnglersClub@gmail.com](mailto:NorfolkAnglersClub@gmail.com) in the form of a Fishing Report; who was fishing, stating total weight, with photo of the fish on the scale
- Weighing need not be on a certified scale and may be done by the angler, just try an avoid weighing fish on a pitching boat
- No entry fee (we would never charge a fee for catching Toads)
- Winners will be determined by our Tournament Director

"AJ" Perez, the Oyster Toadfish Tournament Director (OTTD)





## Fall Social

Many THANKS to those who helped put this together! Michel & Ned Smith, Mary & Henry Troutner, John Curry, Mike Hubert, Sam Justice, Karen Schrader, and Alex Perez. Many offered to help in many ways and all of your assistance made the event a tremendous success. What better way to spend a beautiful fall day with our fellow Norfolk Anglers.









# Norfolk Anglers Club

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## Fishing Tips...

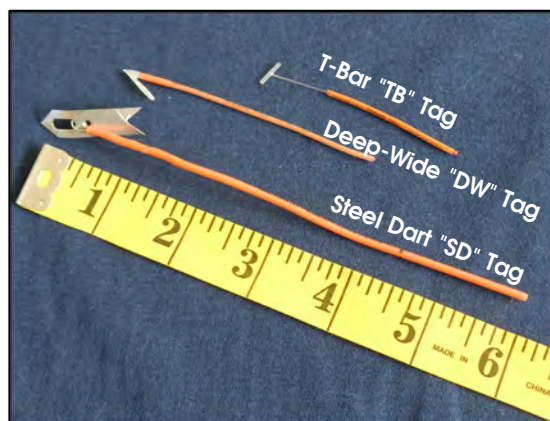
### Virginia Game Fish Tagging Program

*Susanna Musick, Marine Advisory Program,  
Virginia Institute of Marine Science*

In 1995 the Virginia Marine Resources Commission (VMRC) and the Virginia Institute of Marine Science (VIMS) recognized the need to collect seasonal movement data on a number of species. Thanks to the efforts of Claude Bain (VMRC) and Jon Lucy (VIMS) the Virginia Game Fish Tagging Program was created using local anglers for tagging multiple species.



The Tagging Program is made up of 200 volunteer taggers with funding from VMRC's Saltwater Recreational Fishing Development Fund and funds from the Virginia Institute of Marine Science. The program's focus is to train and maintain an experienced group of anglers who volunteer their time to catch, measure, document, and release their tagged species. Each year the program conducts a tagging workshop to introduce new taggers to the program with instructions on how to properly handle, measure and document, then tag & release the targeted species.



There are primarily two types of tags used by the program. The most common tag found is a small thin orange tag approximately 2.5 inches in length. This is the program's "T-Bar" tag which is applied similarly to inserting an attachment to clothing (same small anchoring device). The second is a 6 inch tag called the Steel Dart tag. This larger tag is used on larger fish such as cobia and larger drum species, generally fish over 27 inches in length. Each of these tags has a serial number beginning with "TB" or "SD" with a six digit number following. There's another experimental dart tag that Speckled Trout anglers may find. Similar in appearance to the "TB" tag but start with "DW" and are little bit longer. All are labeled "REWARD" with the program phone number (757)491-5160 to report a tagged fish. Anglers can also report their tagged fish by going to the Virginia Saltwater Journal at;

[https://vasaltwaterjournal.com/report\\_tagged\\_fish.php](https://vasaltwaterjournal.com/report_tagged_fish.php)

**Game Fish Tagging Program**  
Virginia Marine Resources Commission  
Virginia Institute of Marine Science

Tag Number:

**Tagger: WILL BRANSOM**  
Hometown: VIRGINIA BEACH, VA  
Date Tagged: 2022-05-09  
Species: 3360 - Black Sea Bass  
Location: 1303 - Santore Wreck  
Fork Length: 0.00  
Total Length: 10.00  
Release Weight: 0.00  
Bait Type: Dead  
Bait Other:  
Fish Condition: Excellent  
Hook-Removed  
Double Tag No.  
Remark: Caught on cut squid bait

Recapture Information		Length	Fate	Condition
Date	Release Location			
1. ALAN HARRIS - SUFFOLK VA 2022-05-21 Santore Wreck Remarks: Black Sea Bass	Days Out(513004): 16	TL 1.30 in.	RELEASED W/ TAG	good
2. JAY HOLLOWAY - FREDERICKSBURG VA 2022-06-02 Santore Wreck Remarks: Black Sea Bass	Days Out(513004): 27	TL 10.00 in. Est	RELEASED W/ TAG	good

So, what "Reward" awaits you? Depending on inventory, reward items include program ball caps, t-shirts, fish pins, and decals. Anglers reporting a recaptured fish also get a Recapture Report (left) detailing when and where the fish was first tagged, any previous recaptures, and your own recapture data. Like the Recapture Report pictured. Tagged by Will Bransom on May 6th of this year on the Santore Wreck off Virginia Beach, recaptured by Norfolk Angler Alan Harris 15 days later, and then again 27 days later by Jay Holloway from Fredericksburg, Virginia.

The recapture information you provide helps fisheries management and scientist assess critical habitat and seasonal movement of ten important species in our area.





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## Fishing Tips...

Those species are Cobia, Red Drum, Black Drum, Summer Flounder, Triggerfish, Sheepshead, Speckled Trout, Spadefish, Black Sea Bass, and Tautog. Each year VMRC/VIMS jointly publishes their Virginia Game Fish Tagging Program Annual Report. The report outlines program objectives, responsibilities and database management/improvements. It also includes program accomplishments, including tagging effort, recapture fish

results, and result highlights by individual species from the previous year.

Anglers can find the Annual Reports by visiting the Virginia Institute of Marine Science, Marine Advisory Program website at;

<https://www.vims.edu/vgftp/>

### What, When, Where, and How Many?

#### ***VGFTP Data Summary 1995 - 2021***



Speckled Trout (Spotted Sea Trout) >136K Tagged  
Prime Timeframe: October-*Ft Monroe Area/Pier*  
Recapture Range: Maryland to Georgia



Summer Flounder >90K Tagged  
Prime Timeframe: June-*Gloucester Pt Fishing Pier*  
Recapture Range: Rhode Island to South Carolina



Red Drum >71K Tagged  
Prime Timeframe: September-*York River Hot Ditch*  
Recapture Range: New Jersey to Florida



Black Sea Bass >48K Tagged  
Prime Timeframe: August-*Ft Monroe Area/Pier*  
Recapture Range: New York to Georgia



Tautog >24K Tagged  
Prime Timeframe: April-*CBBT 4th Island*  
Recapture Range: Delaware to North Carolina



Spadefish >7.8K Tagged  
Prime Timeframe: July-*Chesapeake Light Tower*  
Recapture Range: Maryland to North Carolina



Cobia >7.1K Tagged  
Prime Timeframe: June-*Baltimore Channel*  
Recapture Range: Rhode Island to Mississippi



Black Drum >5K Tagged  
Prime Timeframe: May-*Inner Middle Ground Shoal*  
Recapture Range: Delaware to North Carolina



Triggerfish >1.8K Tagged  
Prime Timeframe: July-*False Cape Area*  
Recapture Range: Virginia to North Carolina



Sheepshead >1.7K Tagged  
Prime Timeframe: May-*York River Hot Ditch*  
Recapture Range: Virginia to North Carolina





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## Fishing Tips...

The Virginia Institute of Marine Science and the Marine Resources Commission aren't the only organizations with a tagging program. Our neighbors in Maryland and North Carolina also offer tagging programs for saltwater (and freshwater) species. In fact, many states have their own program and the number of colored tags are many.

Susanna Musick, Marine Recreation Specialist for the Virginia Institute of Marine Science can assist if you catch a fish with a tag you don't recognize or know where to go to report it. Just remember to note the species, location, length (total length and fork length), and the color and number on the tag.

Susanna Musick [Susanna@vims.edu](mailto:Susanna@vims.edu) (804)684.7166



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# Fishing Reports...



10 OCT: The Chuckatuck gang (George, Troy, and myself) took my boat out for stripers. I stopped at the Chuckatuck for a couple of passes and had no luck.

I went to the JRB, caught two keepers and two shorts, and lost three. They were caught on bandit lures—slow troll up the current side of the bridge on an ebb tide.

- John Curry

7 OCT: A gorgeous day, and John Curry invited Mary and me for mid-day fishing on the James River. We started bottom fishing for an hour or so for Red and Black Drums without any success. These fish haven't gone through as we saw a boat land one that looked like a nice Black Drum.



It took both guys to pull the netted fish into the boat. With no success on Drum, we changed tactics and started to troll for Stripers. Like the day before, the Red/White Stretch 20s were successful. We landed two before we had to head in, a 22 1/2" & 25".

The outgoing current was ripping, which made boat handling along the pilings intense. When cleaning fish, I always check their stomach to see what they have been eating. The Stripers we caught the last two days had empty stomachs.

- Mary and Henry Troutner





6 OCT: The first nice day since the opening of the Striper season. Mary, George Langdon, and I headed out on the James River in the Shamrock. While waiting for the total outgoing current, we anchored and fished for the Red and Black Drum.



Things were slow, with me catching a short Red and Mary hooking a giant ray, which we eventually broke off to get back to fishing. With the current rolling, we started to troll the JRB. Red/White Boomers and Stretches were the hot color.

We had our 3-man (3 fish) limit on one pass between the lift and the small boat channel. All the fish were schoolish, with Mary catching the biggest at 22 1/2". Hopefully, this is the beginning of a great season.

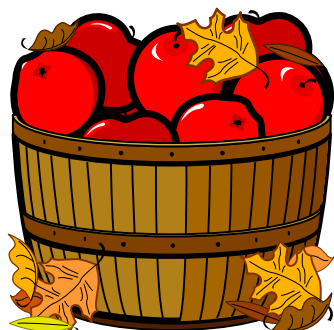
- Mary and Henry Troutner



OCT 9: Troy Lane and I took an hour and went for stripers on the Chuckatuck. It was a beautiful day, and Troy caught one and lost three.

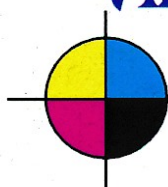
It was an ebb tide, and we trolled along the bridge. The Chuckatuck gang is looking forward to a good striper season.

- John Curry



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On Saturday morning, October 22nd, I fished Tanner Point in the Lafayette River during the outgoing tide.

Alternating a combination of Gulp 3-inch shrimp and Zman 2-inch grubs, I caught and released one 16.5-inch Puppy Drum and 30 Speckled Trout up to 17.5 inches.

Returned on Tuesday afternoon, October 25th, during the incoming tide to find the same size Speckled Trout actively feeding and letting me catch, tag, and release another 27 Trout, up to 13 inches, for the Virginia Game Fish Tagging Program.

For every fifth to sixth fish, I would change to a Mirrolure 27MR. Trying to find a more significant size Trout but couldn't find them that day. The water temperature was 62 degrees.



Puppy Drum returning home



Beautiful Speckled Trout



12.25-inch Trout being returned with tag

- Alex Perez Sr.



24 OCT: Little Creek produced some nice trout for Ned Smith and me in solid northwest winds.

My friend Mike landed a pretty 26 " trout while we were fishing next to him. The water temperature was 63.  
Tight lines!

- Louis Glaser





11 Oct: A perfect day to head offshore! With fellow Norfolk Anglers and one guest (Brian Westmoreland) aboard, we headed out to the Ocean Venture for sea bass and blueline tilefish. Wreck fishing was great and we landed 61 nice sea bass and 18 Bluefish before heading SW of the Norfolk Canyon for tilefish. We got our limit of tiles pretty easily. We tried for golden tilefish and had a few hook ups however, nothing got to the boat. We landed a number of nice black belly rosefish. Henry Trountr landing three at a time and also getting a blueline tilefish citation. Mike Hubert landed a quality 36 inch balloon with a perfectly timed gaff shot (we really hate finding those). It was a

really nice day to spend offshore with my fellow Norfolk Angler friends.

- Will Bransom







10 OCT: My buddy, Brian Westmoreland, from Pennsylvania, made his annual visit for a few days of fishing. He could not have scheduled better weather.

Monday morning Brian, Mary, and I were out in the skiff on the Chuckatuck fishing for Speckled Trout and Red Drum. I hooked a Speckled Trout on the first cast, and the bite was on. Although all but one 17" were undersized, we were using ultra-light equipment and had fun.

After catching about 20, we moved further up the bank, looking for Reds. We caught eight Reds, two keepers, and a few more Speckled Trout.



Brian caught a small flounder. On the way in, we trolled for about 15 minutes. Brian caught a 21 1/2" Striper, and Mary lost one.

Congratulations to Brian for his Chuckatuck Grand Slam; Speckled Trout, Red Drum, Striper, and Flounder. This was the start of a great day that continued Tuesday.

(See Will Bransom's offshore report).

- Mary and Henry Troutner

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16 OCT: John Curry and I fished the James River. We started bottom fishing for Red and Black Drum but struck out with them; although John did catch four flounder, one of which would have been a keeper, it got off at the boat. This is the second time we bottomed fished without catching a Red or Black, so we're thinking they have moved out of this location. We then made a couple passes along the JRB for Stripers. First, we trolled Stretches without a bite. We then cannonballed storms along the pilings also without a bite. We did see and mark large schools of Menhaden all along the bridge, so maybe the Stripers had already eaten.

21 OCT: John Curry took Mary and me to the JRB for an hour or so of Striper

fishing. During the outgoing tide, we were trolling a red/white Stretch, an indescribable Bandit. Within minutes Mary had a Striper that pulled the split ring on her lure. I gave her my rod while I replaced it. When I finished, as she handed me back my rod, a fish hit. I landed a 21 1/2", which Mary keeps claiming she hooked. Shortly after that, Mary landed a nice 27 1/2". We then lost two stripers and caught & released a Bluefish before John got a 22 1/2" Striper. With our 3-man limit, we headed in as I had to hit the marsh to get fiddlers for tomorrow's Tautog trip.



22 OCT: Mary, John Curry, Kevin Parker, and I fished the Shamrock at the CBBT, expecting to catch some Tautog. After launching at



Lynnhaven, we anchored at the 4th Island over the tunneling 20 feet of water. We used fiddlers on typical Tautog rigs; smaller hooks fished right in the rocks. Kevin had the first fish. Too big to be a tautog, so I expected a sheepshead. Up came a 31" Red.

John then landed an 18" Tautog. The Reds were biting, Mary landed two, and John got one, all over the slot in the 30" range.

We did catch three more short Tautog, a few small Seabass, and of course, a dozen or more Toadfish. John submitted his Tautog carcass to VMRC.

- Henry and Mary Troutner





22 Oct: It's a regular theme...the weather forecast looked great for the entire week, a great wind/wave prediction, a day you look for, a perfect fall day. There was only one day and then only a few hours that an alternate forecast was put up online. The law of averages, right?

Seas were not so friendly for a trip out to the Norfolk Canyon. The wind/wave forecast wasn't close to the majority of forecasts during the week. We toughed it out and fished four wrecks near the canyon. The first three gave us a load of really nice quality black sea bass. Anything over 14.50 inches stayed with the boat and under that size were tagged and released back down to 200ft on a Seaqualizer Release Mechanism.

The SeaQualizer is an excellent method to return fish experiencing barotrauma back down to a depth that maximizes their survival. The SeaQualizer has a metal lip grip that holds the fish during the descent and an adjustable pressure release that opens at the preset depth.

After fishing the first three wrecks we headed over to another close to the Continental Shelf and didn't stay long. As soon as the baits hit the bottom we were hooked up with blueline tilefish. In a brief 15 minutes we'd boated our limit of 12 tilefish and were on our way to the next location. We tried prospecting a few locations along the continental shelf without success. While we were finding the right bottom conditions we didn't land on any of the golden tilefish colonies.

We stopped at the Ocean Venture and picked up more black sea bass. While the other wrecks provided only a few undersized fish the Ocean Venture had lots of undersized sea bass for us to deal with. Everything released was sent back down to 100ft with a Virginia Game Fish Tag attached.

The ride back to Rudee Inlet wasn't fun. Though the wind and waves were behind us the wind/wave conditions were just right to make it a miserable ride. With the crew in their bean bag seats we just got it done.

- Will Bransom





# Angler Interests

## Coastal Virginia Offshore Wind (CVOW) Update



Dominion Energy's Unexploded Ordnance (UXO) Survey within the nearshore export cable corridor (Area A) is complete, while activities within the offshore cable corridor (Area B) and the Coastal Virginia Offshore Wind (CVOW) lease (Area C) are expected to continue through 2022. The vessels being deployed and the areas to be surveyed are identified below.

Mariners transiting or fishing in the survey area are requested to provide a 0.5 NM wide clearance to survey vessels, which may have limited maneuverability due to towing gear up to 1,000' behind the vessel. Mariners should operate in a manner that will not endanger themselves, the survey vessels, its crew or the equipment. Survey vessels include the *Minerva Uno* and *Shearwater*, pictured on the next page.

All mariners are encouraged to contact Dominion Energy's Fisheries Liaisons below with any specific questions about the status of the projects in relation to fisheries.

### Contact Fisheries Liaisons

#### Sea Risk Solutions, LLC

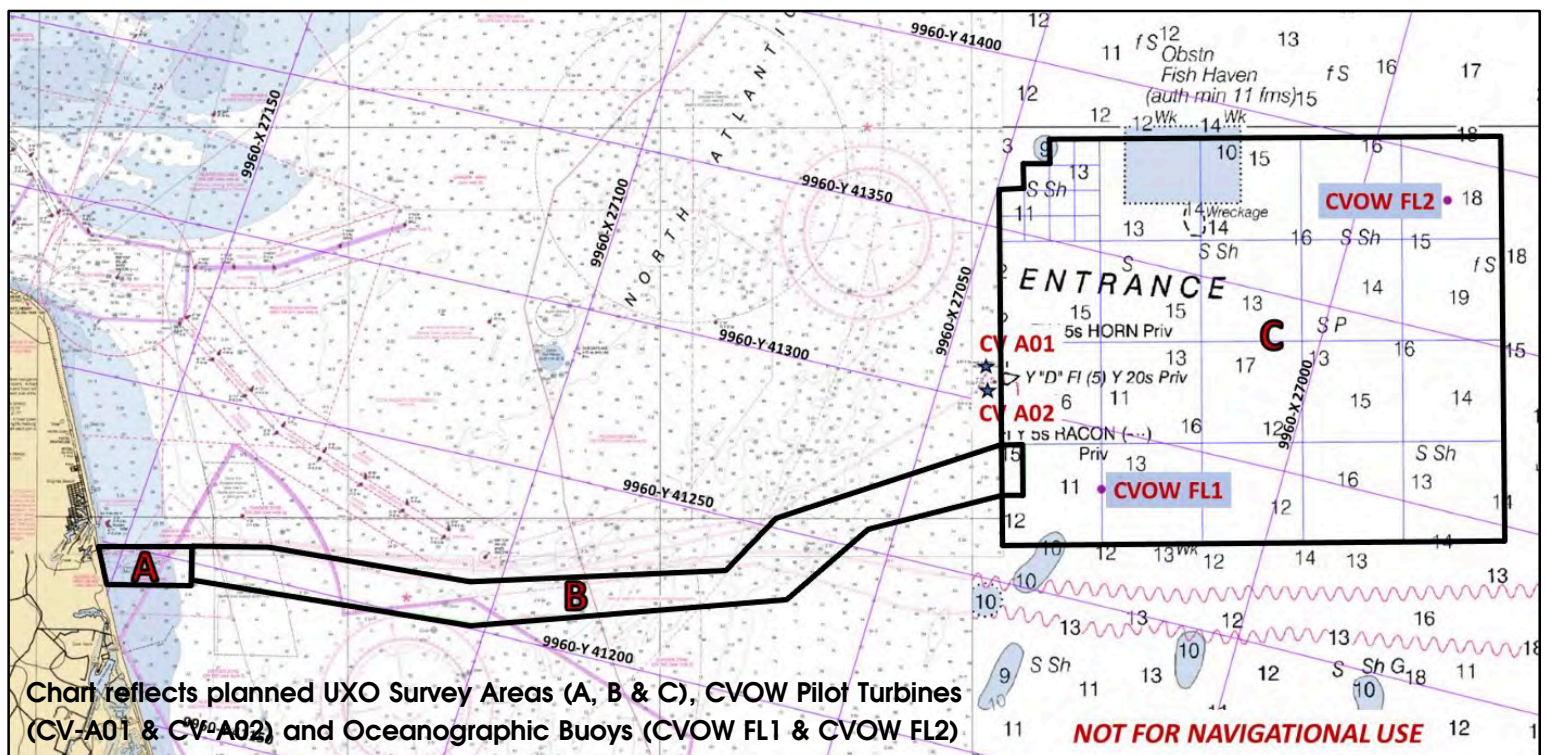
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# Angler Interests

## Minerva Uno

24/7 operations in Zone B & Zone C beginning 30-JUL-2022

Call Sign: IZVM

Flag: Marshall Islands

MMSI: 247080700

LOA: 155 ft

IMO: 9262077

Beam: 30 ft



## Shearwater

24/7 operations in Zone B & Zone C beginning 51-Aug-2022

Call Sign: WDF5838

Flag: USA

MMSI: 368528000

LOA: 110 ft

IMO: 8993966

Beam: 39 ft



The two (2) turbines making up the CVOW Pilot Project have been operational in federal waters since October 2020, providing enough clean, renewable energy to power up to 3,000 Virginia homes at peak. These turbines are displayed on the updated National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) Nautical Charts (Charts 12200 and 12221); the GPS positions are provided below. Fishermen are allowed to fish close to the turbines but coming into contact with them is prohibited. Mariners are also advised to be mindful of maintenance vessels that may need to access the turbines and are requested to make way for them so that they can safely access their work site.

The two (2) oceanographic buoys deployed within the CVOW lease, which have been providing near real-time oceanographic conditions for over a year, will be recovered in OCT/NOV '22. Once they are recovered, they will also be removed from nautical charts. Until then, data can continue to be accessed on the buoy vendor's website: <http://rt.eolosconnect.com/>.

Pilot Turbine CV-A01	36° 53.778' N	75° 29.498' W
Pilot Turbine CV-A02	36° 53.210' N	75° 29.495' W
Meteorological Buoy CVOW-FL1	36° 50.737' N	75° 25.845' W
Meteorological Buoy CVOW-FL2	36° 58.122' N	75° 14.695' W
















# THE VIRGINIA MARINE RESOURCES COMMISSION ***WANTS YOUR FISH.... TO MEASURE AND AGE.***



*You catch it, you fillet it,  
but instead of throwing the remains in the trash,  
please donate them to science.*

The Marine Sportfish Collection Project will focus on species of fish that are difficult to collect through the agency's normal sampling program. Anglers are asked to donate their filleted carcasses (head and tail intact) of legal and fresh-caught:

<b><u>BLUEFISH</u></b> (GREATER THAN 36 INCHES) 	<b><u>TAUTOG</u></b> 	<b><u>COBIA</u></b> 	<b><u>RED DRUM</u></b> 
<b><u>SHEEPSHEAD</u></b> 	<b><u>SPADEFISH</u></b> (GREATER THAN 12 INCHES) 	<b><u>SPANISH MACKEREL</u></b> (GREATER THAN 22 INCHES) 	<b><u>SPECKLED TROUT</u></b> (GREATER THAN 22 INCHES) 
<b><u>BLACK DRUM</u></b> 	<b><u>TILEFISH</u></b> (BLUELINE OR GOLDEN) 	<b><u>WRECKFISH, SNOWY GROUPE, .</u></b> 	

**In return for participating in the project, the agency will provide  
ONE FREE PROJECT TEE SHIRT, OR HAT FOR EACH PARTICIPANT,  
PER MONTH of the DONATION.**



## **Please visit these merchants to participate:**

Ocean's East-Eastern Shore (Capeville)  
 Port Messick Marina (Poquoson)  
 JEB Little Creek (Virginia Beach)  
 Long Bay Pointe Marina (Virginia Beach)  
 Lynnhaven Municipal Marina (Virginia Beach)  
 Mill's Marina (Seaford)

