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JUNE MEETING:

Tuesday, June 21st at 7:00 PM. The club meets at the NC University Club at 4200 Hillsboro St. Meals available for purchase. Speaker: Joey Crisp with Simrad. (SKA Profile) https://www.fishska.com/competitors/angler-profile.php?angler=533/

Mahi Competition Extended

Due to high interest and some uncooperative weather, the Raleigh Saltwater Sportfishing Club is thrilled to extend our Summer Mahi Challenge through July 31st! This gives everyone more time to reel in that big mahi-mahi and enjoy the excitement of offshore sportfishing.

Captains: If you have spots available on your boat, please reach out to our eager members who are looking for an opportunity to join you.

Notify Trey Lowdermilk at hllowder@hotmail.com if you plan to participate and remember to send in pictures of your catch!

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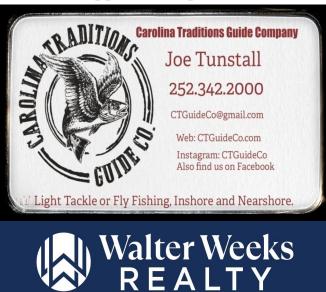
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Kids Outing June 22nd:

Join us for a fun-filled club outing at the Newport River Pier and Ramp on Radio Island on June 22nd! We warmly invite all members to bring along their kids and grandkids for a memorable day of fishing and family activities. The event will take place at the pier near the Radio Island boat ramp, providing a perfect spot for everyone to enjoy the beauty of the river and the thrill of catching fish.

We encourage participants to sign up in advance to ensure we have enough resources for everyone. Additionally, we're seeking enthusiastic volunteers to assist the children with catching fish, gathering bait, and baiting hooks. Your help will make this event a success and create lasting memories for the young anglers.

** A cookout will follow the outing

Location: 301 Highway 70, Morehead

City, NC 28557

Date: Saturday, June 22nd

Time: 9am - 12pm

Participants and Volunteers Sign Up

Here!

Fish Cards:

Update the club on your recent catch by submitting fish cards!

Entries are featured in club newsletters and entered to win prizes at year-end Submit your catch here or by emailing reports and pictures to Bo Nowell.

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SCHEDULE OF RSWSFC 2024 EVENTS

Outing: Kids Spanish Mackerel (Date Tentative), Sat, Jun 22. Morehead City,

Meeting: Speaker Ann Staples with the NCDMF Tagging Program, Tue, Jul 16, Raleigh, 4200 Hillsborough St, Raleigh, NC

Outing: Old Drum (Date Tentative), Sat, Sep 07, Cedar Island NC

Meeting: Topic TBD, Tue, Sep 17, Raleigh, 4200 Hillsborough St, Raleigh

Meeting: Topic TBD, Tue, Oct 15, Raleigh, 4200 Hillsborough St, Raleigh

Social/Oysters at Brewery (Date Tentative)

Meeting Tue, Nov 12, TBD

Christmas Party, Mon, Dec 02 Note: Date Tentative) TBD

BOAT AND TACKLE FOR SALE



2005 Trophy Pro 2002WA. Price \$18,950

21' 7" fiberglass, 3 motors, cabin, walk around, Mercury 150 Opti-Max Saltwater motor, 15 Four Stroke motor, and electric trolling motor in front Minn Kota.

Contact Renee Page if interested at 803-804-6922. Garner, NC.

I purchased and will be selling Rocky's fishing tackle. Items include rod and reels, tackle boxes, Penn down riggers, lures, terminal tackle, filet knives and much more. These items are now in ready to fish or like new condition. Please give me a call if interested. 919-413-2235—Steve Rhoads

MAHI CHALLENGE UPDATE

Participants:

Jeff Becker Beats Working

Victor Tucker Anchor911

Trey Lowdermilk Horseplay

Greg Brissette Emerald Mist

Scott Vahue Carol Jean

(Pictured right)

Carroll Get Away

Graham Clements

Fred Adams

Andrew Jefferies

Will Owens

Chris White

Steve Kuekes Salty Tapir

Paul Tew

Mike Cotton Talkin Trash



If you would like to enter please email Trey Lowdermilk (hllowder@hotmail.com)

If you need crew members (anglers) check the sign-up sheet at: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0848A8A728ABFA7-49927837-raleigh/1924452#/

LEADERS:

FIRST FISH – Scott Vahue / Carol Jean / 34"

MAY – Jessica Carroll / Get Away / 40"

Honorable Mention: Victor Tucker / Anchor911 / 25 bailers

JUNE (To Date) – Mike Cotton (KWLA Tournament – ladies Big Rock) – 20"

Keep the reports coming!!!

Trey Lowdermilk (hllowder@hotmail.com)

FISHING REPORTS—Jeff Becker fishing at Rio Colorado, Costa Rica

Amazing fishing.. right on the beach.. reminds me of Drum Inlet.. My wife went with me day two.. First day 150 plus.. 7 amazing jumps 9 times around the boat one hour. plus fight .. some during a heavy squall. Day toe.. jumped two very large fish in fit 30 min... Then bingo.. a huge tarpon hooked up.. several great jumps hour plus fight.. 170 LB plus fish... Then the fish of the trip.. After 3 more bites and no serious hookups a vicious knock down and a 8ft jump with a 360 flip.. 5 more monster jumps.. 7-8 times around the boat .. landed a 120 tarpon.. this guy was the real deal.. We only fished 5 hours due to AM rain and mostly because this 71 yr. old man had had enough.. The guy I charter was amazing.. 500 bucks full day, perfect English and good tackle.. we stayed in the Tortorga Lodge.. about 45 min away from fishing grounds although you can stay right at the river mouth but not as fancy accommodations.. The RSWFC should organise a trip.. 10 plus stars.











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| Angler (Club Member) | Date of Catch | Date of Catch | Catch (Species) | Weight/ Length | Released: | Tell us about your catch (location, bait, the fight, etc.) |
|---|------------------|------------------|---|---|-----------|--|
| Scott Ackerman | 4/30/2024 | Surf | Red Drum | 28" | Yes | Ocracoke Surf Fishing practice session. Caught on a double dropper rig with cut finger mullet on the first part of the ebb tide. |
| Tripp Ad- ams | 5/5/2024 | Small Boat | Bonito | 22 inches | No | Fred Adams, Greg Brissett, and I went out of bogue inlet prepared for cobia, bonito, and Spanish. While it was too choppy for cobia, we trolled for 4 hours catching bonito, Spanish, and false albacore. Our first bonito hit a small cedar plug. The largest bonito hit a silver clarkspoon attached to a bird on the long line. We had a bit of a scare coming out of bogue inlet, taking a breaker over the bow. Otherwise, it was a great day on the water. |
| Victor Tucker, BJ Medlin, Kellen Tucker Josh Tuck- er | 5/13/2024 | Small Boat | King and spanish mackerel, bonita, banded Rutterfish | 12.2 King , 28" cobia re- leased | No | Planned on going for mahi but the wind was NE at 20 so we went to AR 315 to see if we could find any leftover Bonita. I will have to admit I was sort of feeling the doom and gloom of not being able to go Offshore but that ended shortly after the anchor rope came tight. By 9:30 we had caught 8- Bonita 8 spanish, 3 kings (2 undersize) and 2 banded Rutterfish. We then headed to the cape to fish for cobia. We caught menhaden anchored up but got no love from the cobia. We returned to Ar 315 and set out live baits. Within 5 mins a 12.2 lb King had our hearts racing. BJ then caught and released a 28" cobia on the bottom with a live bait before calling it a day. |
| Scott Va- hue | 5/17/2024 | Small Boat | Mahi mahi | 34FL and 41TL | No | Big Rock area on ballyhoo with pink seawitch |
| Scott Va- hue | 5/17/2024 | Small Boat | Needle- fish | Didnt measure but proba- bility around 40in. | Yes | Big Rock area ballyhoo with pink seawitch |
| Tom Zemonek | 5/6/2024 | Small Boat | Spanish Mackerel (5) | 11 3/4 inches | Yes | Trolling with Clark spoons and #1 planer boards at AR 360 |
| Steve kuekes | 6/2/2024 | Small Boat | Atlantic Bonito | 16 | No | Cape Lookout shoals near shark island trolling clarkspoons. |

MORE FISHING REPORTS

John McQuaid Small Boat May 20 We were the second boat at AR 314 this morning but it quickly became a parking lot. We were spot locked in the middle a dozen boats all spot locked. The five nearest us were fishing and chumming with live bait. The Bonita action was nonstop for them. We caught one casting a Kastmaster. Also caught four large bluefish 19 inches And three small Spanish 12 inches trolling along Atlantic Beach and Shackleford Banks.

John McQuaid Small Boat May 19 My friend Bob caught this 28 1/4 inch speckled trout in the Haystacks on cut Bluefish on a circle hook rigged for Drum. He released it and filed for a citation. (Release over 20" on my boat!) He has caught Wahoo and Mahi on a charter but this was his first Speckled Trout! The fish of a lifetime.





| Angler (Clu | RSWSC ub Member):_ outh angler) | | | | | |
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| | Small Boat | | Pier | Surf | (Circle one) | |
| Location: | | | | Da | te: | |
| Best Catch: | Species: | | | | | |
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| (Note: larger s | - | ort term ads are | | _ | tiable. Contact a club | officer |

HOW TO SUBMIT AUTOMATED FISHING REPORTS

Dates, locations (general), tackle, bait and tips are greatly appreciated. You can easily utilize the new reporting tool on the Club's website. Fish Card: https://www.rswsc.org/fish-cards

Tripp made updates to the website for members to submit Fish Cards. The application for submitting information is through Google Forms and has been embedded into the website. When submitting a responses, members will have the ability to view other submissions.

"Google does require a Gmail account be used, if a picture was uploaded in the questionnaire. To make things easier, pictures will be emailed separately. We believe the ease of submitting responses and the ability to view all member results will outweigh having to submit a pictures separately."

You can also use the form on the following page if desired and not computer savvy.

Please send in your fishing reports, Fish Cards and photos to share with members in 2022. The newsletters are much better with fishing reports and photos.

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Website & Social Media Report—Tripp Adams

Stay Connected and Up to Date:

The Raleigh Saltwater Sportfishing Club (RSWSC) offers several ways for members to stay informed about our latest meetings, outings, and to connect with other members. Here's how you can stay connected:

- Website: Visit www.RSWSC.org for:
- Event Calendars
- Current and Past Newsletters
- Members-Only Forum (requires creating a login)
- Digital Fish Card
- Outings and Meetings

For the most up-to-date calendar, refer to the Upcoming Events page on our website. Many outings and social events require signing up via SignUpGenius. Links are sent directly from SignUpGenius and are also included in general update emails and newsletters.

Newsletters: Club newsletters are a staple for members. Newsletters from the past five years are available on the website, with a more extensive library available upon request.

Forum: Our forum is a message board for members to communicate, share ideas and advice, post items for sale, and more. It's an excellent way to stay connected and engaged with the club community.

Social Media: Stay updated with our social media platforms:

Facebook: The Raleigh Saltwater Sportfishing Club (Public): Open to members and non-members. This page features the latest updates and public announcements.

The Raleigh Saltwater Sportfishing Club (Private): Requires approval to join and is geared towards active members sharing their catches and communicating with each other.

Instagram and Twitter: Follow us for updates and club-related content. Facebook sees the most activity among club members, so be sure to stay active there.

Past Speakers List and contact information

| Presenter | Website/Email | Topic | Phone |
|-------------------------|--|--|----------------|
| Rob Koraly | www.sandbarsafari.com | Bonita Fishing | 252-725-4614 |
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| Dave Anderson | www.collinsboating.com | Engine & Boat Maintenance | 919 934-3143 |
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| Capt Daniel Jarvas | www.flatfootcharters.com | Bonita Fishing in New River Inlet | 828-308-6726 |
| Capt. Gary Dubiel | www.specfever.com/blog | Large Drum on artificial bait | 252-249-1520 |
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| Seth Vernon | www.captainsethvernon.com | Double Haul Guide Service | 910-233-4520 |
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