A Message from the President -

Hello fisher people! I hope each and every one of you has had a wonderful start to the Holiday season. It probably seems like it has been forever since there has been a Marlin Bill, and the truth of it is that it has been forever. Amanda and I tried to find a happy medium between email blasts, weekly menu and tournament reminders, monthly dinner reminders, “breaking news” sort of items, and the Marlin Bill. I think Amanda did a truly fantastic job with all of the former, and I did a truly horrendous job with the latter, but we are working on it. Over the past 2 years we have become much more internet/social media dependant in our communications (trying to keep up with the times) and I have had both positive and negative feedback (mostly about quantity of emails) from members. Our goal is to keep you informed, but at the same time not flood your inbox or news feed with stuff from the Marlin Club. My guess is that you will see more consistent Marlin Bills in the “off season” and more up to the minute updates via Facebook and email blasts in the “on season.”

Speaking of the “off season,” there are times when I wonder whether there truly is such a thing any more. We still slow down, but we don’t stop. That is for sure. This weekend marks the start of the 2nd Annual OCMC Rockfish Tournament. Colin Campbell made some changes to the tournament that hopefully will see it grow. I know the stripers have been hit or miss, but in the past few days it has been more of a hit. Good luck to everyone that is fishing the event. Catch them up!!!

Another tournament that is going to see some changes in the coming season is the Kratz Memorial Tournament (formerly the Bluefish Tournament). With the consistent early season Mako and Tuna action of the past few seasons it was decided to add categories for both to the tournament. Terry Layton has agreed to co-chair the tournament with me, and we are working on the format changes. Keep an eye out for the updates.

Over the next few days you will see the Marlin Club exterior get an addition in the form of a Flag Pole. Mike Diffendal and Ron Callis have headed up this endeavor, along with generous donations from Pete Meeks and Dan Burt. I would like to thank all of these gentlemen for their efforts. I am looking forward to seeing Old Glory proudly on display in front of the building.

I was out of town for the November Monthly Dinner, but I understand the event was a success, although the attendance was a little off. Up next is the Christmas Dinner and The New Years Eve Party. I am sure both of these will be heavily attended and I look forward to seeing you at both. Our Auxiliary and Staff really work hard at these events, so be sure to attend if you can! I look forward to some silly pictures from the Christmas Delmarvalous Photo Booth.

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I spoke to the boys on the docks down in Morehead City in recent days and the Giant Bluefin have made a decent showing there. I took part in that fishery for 6 seasons, and I can tell you from experience that it is pretty awesome when they are biting. I have also had reports from the crews in Los Sueños and the sails are already chewing pretty good (although the Tuna Bite crew has been slack in the dorado department). I also understand that the South Florida fishery is coming to life, when the weather allows it. I will be in Islamorada over Christmas so I hope to have some fish stories to tell.

All the news can not be good however. I am sad to report that our long time house keeper Robert passed away recently. He was a true gentleman, and always had a kind word and a smile every time I saw him. I offer sincere condolences to his family.

In closing this month I have a few upbeat notes to share. I would like to say Happy Birthday to Jean Miles (Mama Ake as I like to call her). Also I would like to congratulate my dear friends Missy and Chris Evans on their recent marriage. From what I can recall it was a heck of an event. Lastly I would like to welcome little Connor Hart to our fishing family, with special congrats to Great Grandparents John and Mary Sippel.

Until next time, I will see ya around the club. Think Fish!!!

Franky

PS- please share fishing stories or some OC fishing memories with us and we will put them in future issues of the Marlin Bill.  info@ocmarlinclub.com or surveyfp@yahoo.com
5th Annual Memorial Day Bluefish Tournament

1st Place: "Sea Hunt 26" Robin Ritter & Ron Vito .75 lb bluefish
2nd Place: "Sea Hunt 26" Robin Ritter & Ron Vito .50 lb bluefish
3rd Place: "Sea Hunt 26" Robin Ritter & Ron Vito .30 lb bluefish

35th Annual Small Boat Tournament

Yellowfin Tuna
1st Place: Seaduction 64.8
2nd Place: Tide Up 59.8
3rd Place: Tide Up 59.8

Billfish Release
1st Place: 200 points Tide Up
2nd Place: 100 points CO2

Dolphin
1st Place: Odd Couple 18.4
2nd Place: Brenda Lou 14.0
3rd Place: Family Tree 12.2

Sea Bass
1st Place: Just Add Sauce 2.6
2nd Place: Jezebel 2.4
3rd Place: Just Add Sauce 2.2, 2.2

Tog
1st Place: Jezebel 3.4
2nd Place: Myra HT 2.4

Flounder
1st Place: Oasis 6.2
2nd Place: Jus A Breez 4.8
3rd Place: Seacraft 23 4.2

Bluefish
1st Place: Myra HT 8.6
2nd Place: Myra HT 8.2
3rd Place: Myra HT 8.0
32nd Annual Canyon Kick Off

**Dolphin**
1st Place: TIE Billfisher 18.0
1st Place: TIE Proud Papa 18.0
3rd Place: Dilligaf 17.0

**Tuna**
1st Place: Jenny Poo 267.2
2nd Place: No Quarter 163.8
3rd Place: Absolut Pleasure 158.4

**Billfish Release**
1st Place: Billfisher 300 points
2nd Place: Canyon Hunter 200 points
3rd Place: First Light 100 points

10th Annual Kids Classic

**Billfish Release**
“Boss Hogg” Tom Albed 100 pts. 10:05 AM

**Dolphin**
“Spring Mix II” Sam Tinkler 12.2
“Reel Estate” John Hay Matthai 9.8
“Spring Mix II” Spencer Paquette 8.8
10th Annual Kids Classic

**Tuna**
“Reel Chaos” James Doerzbach 63.6 Yellowfin
“Boss Hogg” Corey Burns 59.8 Yellowfin
“No Limits” Tanner Gladwin 58.0 Bluefin

**Rockfish**
“Reel Fantasy” Anna Pence, Wil Kennington & Courtney Grady 9.6

**Bluefish**
“Ashy’s Boat” Ashton & Morgan Clarke
“Ocean City Guide Service” Jack & Alec Burbage 4.0
“Ocean City Guide Service” Jack & Alec Burbage 3.2

**Flounder**
“Get Sum” Kevin & Corey Burns 3.0
“Double Trouble” Graham Hammond 2.4
“Lucky Break” Charlie Brinker 2.4

**Spot**
“Bobby Lou” Emily Miller 1.4
“Partnership” Addison & Brynlee Lane 1.4
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“Reel Fantasy” Anna Pence, Wil & Caroline Kennington, Courtney Grady, Emma & Ava Helwig, Ashton Cherivtch, & Rylan DiLodovico 1.4

**Croaker**
“Absolut Pleasure” Fisher Zimmerman, Dylan Churchill, Aidan & Rilyn Romero, Addy Wilkerson 2.4
“Double Trouble” Graham & Gavin McCabe, Hunter & Graham Hammond 2.4
“Gretchen Ann” Ella Peters, Walker & Harper Hastings 2.4

**Mackerel**
“Jezebel” Jacob & Ella Wozer, Cameron & Carleigh Neville 1.4
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“Kingfisher” Iris & Elijah Lillie, Alexandra Jones, & Kelsey Deppe 1.4

**Unusual Catch**
“Partnership” Addison Lane Fishing Pole
“Absolut Pleasure” Aidan Romero Tooth
“Gretchen Ann” Ella Peters, Walker & Harper Hastings Towel 4.0
6th Annual OCMC Ladies Tournament

Billfish Release:
Sea Slammer  Vicky & Debbie McCann, Suzette Frank, Maria Herron  500 points 2:22 PM
Jenny Poo  Jenn Pastorius & Kristen Brown  400 points 11:46 AM
Brenda Lou  Monica Freese & Brenda Goodhart  400 points 1:59 PM

Dolphin:
Knot Again  Bernadette Mumford  49.6
Knot Again  Maria Baiocco  18.4
Last Call  Jen Otto  17.0

Tuna:
Grande Pez  Tamara Sears  63.8
Slaughterhouse  Corky Mock  62.8
Grande Pez  Tamara Sears  57.2

Top Junior Angler:
White Lightning  Shannon Stickles  16.8 Dolphin
56th Annual Labor Day White Marlin Tournament

Billfish Release:
Billfisher  2,650 points
DA Sea     2,400 points
Fin-Ness   1,300 points

Dolphin:
Fin-Ness   31.4
Dilligaf   30.8
Jezebel    28.8

Master Angler Award:
Ed Dunn 12 wm self-hooked

36th Annual Scott Smith & Charles Kratz Challenge Cup
1 Day Shoot-Out Saturday, September 13, 2014

2014 TOURNAMENT RESULTS & WINNER:
Cape May Marlin & Tuna Club

Most Points Day One Cape May: Insure 400 points
Most Points Day One OCMC: Reel Joy 300 points
Most Overall Points: Insure 450 points
Calcutta Winner: Insure 450 points

Final Score:
Cape May Marlin & Tuna Club 1950 points / 325
Ocean City Marlin Club 1275 points / 212.5
Fish News:

Ocean City, MD: Atlantic Sailfish caught on the “Reese’s Piece” Angler: Kevin McKnight, Mate: Dave Frederick, OCMC Full Member & Owner: Reese Cropper III

Ocean City, MD: Tom Albed’s 1st white on the “Boss Hogg” during the 10th Annual Kid’s Classic! OCMC Boat Member & Owner, JC Grimberg
Fish News:
Ocean City, MD: The kids had so much fun on the “Reel Fantasy” during the 10th Annual Kid’s Classic! OCMC White Marlin Level Corporate Sponsor & Owner: Schrader Grady (Fantasy World Entertainment)

O.C., MD: Chad Swiderski’s 1st white on the “Hell Bent” with Tony Deisel 6.17.14 @ 3:45 PM (Not pictured: OCMC GM & Head Chef, Mikey J.)

E-mail us your fish tales & catch them in the Marlin Bill!!
Send pictures &/or stories to: info@ocmarlinclub.com
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