



# THE HOOK

FEBRUARY 2012

## FROM THE PRESIDENTS COMPUTER

Tips and Tricks to Catch More Fish is Saltwater:

- Drop a dropper. When jigging on a salt water fly or soft plastic bait above the jig, use a dropper. Some theorize that fish are competitive and the jig looks like a fish chasing a smaller bait fish and then they dart in and try to steal the food.
- How to Fix Knot Problems  
Tying good knots is a skill all fisherman must master. Two factors are important in tying good secure knots. The first is practice, and plenty of it. The second is having a

- good knot tying book or guide to teach how to use the various knots when fishing.
- Pink Balloons for Live baiting are Best  
This next tip has no scientific basis that I know of. But what I do know, and my view is shared by more than a few good and great fisherman, is that using pink balloons to hold up live bait seems to attract more Kingfish to the bait. When using a balloon as a live bait float remember to tie the balloon off to the rod end of the swivel. If you tie it off to the bait end you can almost guaran-

- tee leader line twist and tangles.
- Detecting a Sticky Drag  
The best way to detect a sticky drag is to put the reel on a rod, thread the line through the guides and have a friend, partner or child pull off the line while walking briskly away. Hold the rod at about 45 degrees. If the rod tip nods up or down as the line is pulled off against the drag, you've got a problem.
  - Cracked Guides Hard to See  
Cracked guides are hard to see, but they can do some... Cont on pg 3

## CAPT ED'S REPORT

Since I frequently write about the South Atlantic Fishery Management Council (SAFMC) and their recommendations relative to federal regulations for the south Atlantic Ocean, I thought an explanation of "Scoping Meetings" and "Public Hearings" would be in order. When the SAFMC is considering the need for

management, the scoping process provides an opportunity for the public to make suggestions BEFORE the SAFMC makes any decisions regarding management actions. Using input received during the initial scoping process, the SAFMC may then develop management alternatives to address these issues. These alternatives are then included in a

public hearing document. A series of these public hearings is held with a written comment period established for the public to provide input on these alternatives and for any other additional recommendations relative to the fishery in question. This is a very basic explanation, for further information, please call me. Just a.... Cont on pg 3

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**MY DREAM  
CATCH?**

**MY NEXT  
CATCH.**

**-FLIP PALLOT**

**MONTHLY PLANNER**

**February**

9th– Club Meeting, Spaghetti Dinner, Speaker

**March**

8th– Club Meeting, Covered Dish, Auction Meeting

**April**

12th– Club Meeting, Covered Dish, Speaker

27th– Captains Mtg – Flounder Tourney

28th—Flounder Tourney

**UPDATES**

Reminder: Dues for the year are \$40. Please make sure you get your money in to Anne Seay as soon as possible!

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**RECIPE OF THE MONTH: MOLTEN CHOCO CAKES**

1/2 cup butter  
 4 (1oz) square bitter-sweet chocolate  
 2 eggs  
 2 egg yolks  
 1/4 cup sugar  
 2 tsp flour

Preheat oven to 450. Butter and flour 4 oz ramekins or custard cups. In the top half of a double boiler set over simmering water, heat the butter and the chocolate

until the chocolate is almost melted. Beat the eggs, egg yolks and sugar together until light colored and thick. Beat together the melted chocolate and the butter. While beating, slowly pour the chocolate mixture into the egg mixture then quickly beat in flour and mix until just combined. Divide the batter between the four

450 for 6-7 minutes. The centers of the cakes will still be soft. Invert cakes on serving plates and let sit for about 15 sec, then unmold. Serve immediately, with whipped cream if desired.



PLAN YOUR YEAR FOR FISH!

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.... Real damage to your line, and cost you fish. Usually cracked guides are only revealed when the rod is under load. The easiest way to discover cracked guides is to pull a piece of stocking or piece of cotton wool through the guides. Even better is to get someone to pull down on the rod tip, and then pull the stocking through the guides.

- How to Un-Stick Two Piece Rod Ferrules  
Sometimes trying to separate the joints on two (or more) piece rods can be an exercise in frustration, as the joint just does not seem to want to come off. I do not know how or why this works, but put the rod behind your back and pull the

joint apart, works most times!

- Chick



*The longer the fish is out there struggling, the harder it is on him and the harder it is for you to catch him.*  
*-Flip Pallot*

Capt. Ed's Report, Cont

Reminder, voting for the new Club logo will be held at the Feb meeting. We need Co-Sponsors and fish bowl prize donations for the Flounder Tournament. THANKS!

Tight lines,

Capt. Ed

WHY YOU NEED TO GET INVOLVED.... FROM THE EDITOR

During our February meeting, 2012 GSSAA Committee volunteer sheets will be going around. There are 28 different positions and committees that we need people to volunteer for. Some of the committees require more time than others, some are more organizational, some deal with people, some are behind-the-scenes....the point is- there is something here for everyone. Every club most people have ever been in has had the same issue- 20% of the people do 80% of the work. Help out your fellow GSSAA members and your club. Look over the list, and find something that you would like to be a part of. Let's make 2012 our finest year, with the most participation, yet!!!

If you know that you will not be able to make the meeting, please email me or call me and I will email you, or mail you, a copy of the sign-up sheet. Involved= More FUN!!!!

GSSAA LEADERBOARD 2012

Species	Angler	Weight	Date
Summer Trout	Carolyn Carver	1 lb 2 oz	11/19/11
Whiting	James Carver	13 oz	11/19/11
Red Drum	Bill Cash	28 lbs	11/21/11
Black Sea Bass	Bill Cash	1 lb 8 oz	11/21/11
Weakfish	Tom Phillips	2 lbs	12/12/11
Black Drum	Frank Easton	3.4 lbs/ 18.3 in	1/5/12

Quote of the Month:

Fish bite best when its raining, and when it ain't.

-Glen Lau

## FISHY TIMES...

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## FISH ON!!!

Not only did the Sumerians invent the wheel, new agricultural techniques and the first written language, but they were also the first group of fish-keepers in the world, beginning some 4500 years ago. Pretty impressive society, eh?

Students who are fish owners score the highest on both math and verbal SAT's, with a combined score 200 points higher than non-pet owners.



Furthermore, high schoolers that keep fish or other pets have an average off 3.5, versus a high of 3.2 for non-pet owners.

Bet the Sumerians didn't know that keeping fish would affect students as much as it ended up being an influence!!!

### FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS!

17th- Bob Hansen

14th- CUPID :)

#### Member FYI's

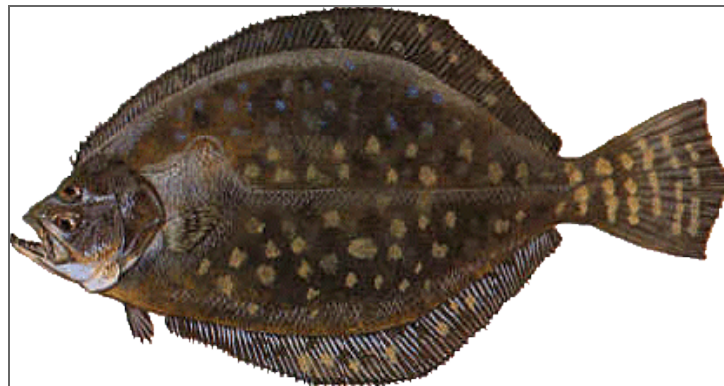
If any of your information has changed, phone numbers, addresses, etc.... Please let us know!

Email me at [jseay@horrycountyschools.net](mailto:jseay@horrycountyschools.net), call me at 241-5713 or let us know at the meeting!

## 2012 Annual Flounder Tournament is on April 28th.

We need volunteers to work with Bill Cash in getting the Flounder Tournament set up and manned.

Every should try procure the tournament you know businesses would like to help the 2012 Tournament please go ask them!!!



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Last year we had a great turnout, and had a blast all day! Lets all pitch in and help make the 2012 GSSAA Annual Flounder Tournament the most awesome tournament in South Carolina!!!