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## Monthly Meeting Via Zoom Meeting Until Further Notice "WORKING FOR MARINE RECREATIONAL ANGLERS"

### JCAA REGULAR MEETING

January 25th, 2022 via Zoom Meeting

Starting at 7:30 PM

NEXT JCAA BOARD MEETING

Thursday, February 10th, 2022

Via Zoom Meeting

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### IMPORTANT DATES

January 25<sup>th</sup> JCAA General Meeting

February 10<sup>th</sup> JCAA Board Meeting

February 8<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup> MAFMC Meeting

February 22<sup>nd</sup> JCAA General Meeting

March 2<sup>nd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> Progressive AC Boat Show

March 10<sup>th</sup> JCAA Board Meeting

March 18<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup> Progressive Saltwater Fishing Expo

March 29<sup>th</sup> JCAA General Meeting

March 28<sup>th</sup>-30<sup>th</sup> NOAA REC Summit

### President's Report

*By Mark Taylor*

As we enter into 2022, my name is Mark Taylor, the newly elected President. Unfortunately, there are still issues that the recreational community has to deal with year after year. As the newly elected President of Jersey Coast Anglers Association (JCAA), some of my goals are to get more recreational individuals more involved and build a stronger JCAA. JCAA will be reaching out to individuals at different events that we attend such as the Atlantic City Boat Show (March 2nd-6<sup>th</sup>), Saltwater Fishing Expo (March 18<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup>), Fishing Clubs and many others. If you fish in the surf, bay or ocean and consider yourself as part of the recreational community, we want to talk to you. There are a lot of people that don't know, but think they do, how things are done to come up with bag and size limits. I been involved for some time and still don't know everything but I have the drive to continue learning. I truly believe that all the people that fish recreationally want pretty much the same things, to be able to fish for years to come while being able to catch some for the family to enjoy at home. If you're that person or club then contact JCAA and we will help get you involved.

There are people out there who don't realize that tackle manufactures, tackle stores and marine

manufactures are involved fighting to help the recreational community to continue to enjoy this sport for years. We as a community need to support them because without them there is no fishing in the future. One of our major sponsors, who has been with us for many years, is Yamaha. They have been fighting and getting involved for years. They have different programs from supporting marine training programs in high schools to training technicians to work on marine equipment to supporting fishing tournaments. I hope this little, but important, information opens your eyes and will encourage you to get involved.

JCAA is looking for volunteers to help staff the booths at both shows that I mentioned earlier. If you are willing to help or not sure and want to learn more about helping contact me. My email is [mtsport@aol.com](mailto:mtsport@aol.com) or cell 732-245-9445.

JCAA is looking for a Fluke Tournament Chairperson to run our Annual JCAA Fluke Tournament and to be our Office Manager. If you think this is something you are interested in or would like to know more about, call 732-506-6565 and leave a message or send an email to [JCAA@JCAA.org](mailto:JCAA@JCAA.org). When leaving a message speak clearly and say the number twice and someone will contact you.

As President I am available to help you or your club get more involved. I can make arrangements to have someone from JCAA come out and talk to your club. You can reach out anytime at [mtsport@aol.com](mailto:mtsport@aol.com) or 732-245-9445.

Together we can build a stronger Recreational Community with a voice for the future of fishing.

## **2022 Show Time is Just Around the Corner**

*By Mark Taylor*

Jersey Coast Angler Association (JCAA) has contracts signed and planning on having a booth at two major shows in 2022. 2022 Progressive Atlantic City Boat Show (March 2<sup>nd</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup>) will be the first one followed by 2022 Progressive Saltwater Fishing Expo (March 18<sup>th</sup> to 20<sup>th</sup>). I will be looking for volunteers to work the JCAA Booths at both shows. I will be contacting people that have worked the shows in the past as well. JCAA will be taken every precaution that we can for the volunteers that work the booth. There will be hand sanitizer, masks, gloves to use and a

booth protocol document at the booth which must be followed. If you have something that you personally would like to bring with you and use it is perfectly alright. The safety of the dedicated individuals that volunteer is very important to JCAA. Jersey Coast Anglers Association (JCAA) had a rough year with our fundraiser as did everyone else during the COVID pandemic. What this Association as well as clubs, individuals and others continue to fight for by supplying their educated input for the fair share and protecting the fisheries for the future continues to be challenging. JCAA as well as others need to raise fund for this fight. If you are looking to volunteer at one or both of these great events please contact Mark A. Taylor at [mtsport64@aol.com](mailto:mtsport64@aol.com) or text your name and which show you can help to 732-245-9445. Looking to hear from you and see you at the shows.

### **2022 Progressive Atlantic City Boat Show**

March 2-6, 2022

Atlantic City Convention Center

1 Convention Blvd, Atlantic City, NJ 08401

<https://www.acboatshow.com/>

### **2022 Progressive Saltwater Fishing Expo**

March 18-20, 2022

New Jersey Convention and Exposition Center

97 Sunfield Ave, Edison, NJ 08837

<https://saltwater.sportshows.com/>

## **JCAA Fisheries Management & Legislative Report**

*By Tom Fote*

There is information about two upcoming meetings below. I am an optimist. I am hoping some of you will attend the upcoming meetings virtually. With virtual meetings you don't need to leave home. You can attend and comment online. There are no travel expenses, and your voice makes a difference.

Sometimes I feel like a broken record. We alert you to upcoming meetings and the meetings I attend have few if any members of the recreational community in attendance. The same four or five recreational members are always the ones in attendance. The commercial community does a better job in getting people to attend and voicing

their strong opinions about decisions to be made. The recreational community relies on others to attend. We need you to attend. I know I am repeating myself but it is frustrating when there is no public input from the recreational community. Please help.

### **PowerPoint Presentation**

The JCAA has just updated our PowerPoint presentation that covers JCAA's mission. If you contact John Toth, the new membership chairman, or me we will try to get someone to your club to share this presentation.

When we put together this presentation years ago, I included the number of meetings JCAA Board members attend. With this update, I left in the number of 400 or more attended by JCAA members in a year. I was questioned about this number because there was some fear that this number would be challenged. I explained that in the month of January I have attended 16 meetings for JCAA, not including the upcoming week for ASMFC. These meetings are not always all day and include lengthy phone calls or webinars that a representative of JCAA should attend. If you are a board member, you attend the monthly board and general meeting. This does not include special meetings for issues like the fluke tournament. We are also attending meetings on wind, meetings for other organizations, council meetings and commission meetings. When I do a total, I think 400 is a low number. My number alone is at least 200 meetings/contacts each year. A few years ago I totaled the number of years I spent at commission meetings and at that point already totaled 3 years of meetings.

The reason we all have to attend so many meetings is because those meetings are important to recreational fishing.

That brings me to the other problem. When I started volunteering for JCAA we had 15 – 20 people helping with our operations. They came from many different clubs and we were able to work together. When I first went on the board in 1986, I was the fifth youngest board member. That was a long time ago and I have gotten much older. But the sad fact is I am still the fifth youngest board member. As you know, Paul Turi is retiring as office manager and fluke tournament director. He does a great deal more than just these two jobs. He will be sorely missed. I need for the clubs to

get their members to get involved. This is the only way to protect our right to fish. We need the perspectives of the 30, 40 and 50 year old members who are not on the board. Without these perspectives, contributions, time and energy, JCAA, like other organizations, will simply die. Ask us to come visit your club and see if we can motivate your members to help keep JCAA strong.

## **Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council has Released its February 2022 Meeting Agenda**

The ASMFC Policy Board will be meeting with the Council (via webinar) on Tuesday, February 8th from 2-5 PM to consider approval for public comment the Council's Recreational Harvest Control Rule Framework and the Commission's Draft Addenda for Summer Flounder, Scup, Black Sea Bass, and Bluefish.

Please note that immediately prior to this meeting, the Council will consider revising the Council recommendation for 2022 recreational management measures (if needed) in response to possible action the Commission's Summer Flounder, Scup and Black Sea Bass Management Board may take in January at the Commission's Winter Meeting.

### **February 2022 Council Meeting (Webinar)**

The Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council's next meeting will be held Tuesday, February 8 - Wednesday, February 9, 2022. Due to concerns about the continued spread of COVID-19, this meeting will be conducted entirely by webinar. A portion of the meeting will be conducted jointly with the Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission's ISFMP Policy Board

### **Agenda and Briefing Materials**

A detailed agenda is [available here](#). Briefing documents and presentations will be posted on the [February 2022 Meeting Page](#) as they become available. Most briefing materials will be posted by January 28, 2022.

### **Public Comments**

Oral public testimony will be accepted on all major agenda items. Written comments must be submitted by 11:59 p.m. on Wednesday, January 26, 2022 to be

included in the briefing book or by 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, February 3, 2022 to be posted with the supplemental meeting materials. Written comments may be submitted using the online comment form linked below or via email, mail, or fax (see this page for details). Comments submitted after February 3 may only be submitted using the [online form](#).

## Webinar

Webinar connection instructions will be posted on the [meeting page](#) at least two weeks prior to the meeting.

**Questions?** Contact Mary Sabo, [msabo@mafmc.org](mailto:msabo@mafmc.org), (302) 526-5261.

## Two Meetings on Draft Amendment 14

*A supplement to Draft Amendment 14 to the 2006 Consolidated Atlantic Highly Migratory Species Fishery Management Plan*

We will hold a special HMS Advisory Panel meeting and a Public Hearing webinar to make additional public comment period to discuss the supplement. To get all the information and documents go to [this link](#).

## Half-Day Advisory Panel Webinar

A half-day HMS AP webinar is scheduled for Friday February 11 from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. It is a meeting to discuss the Supplement to Draft Amendment 14.

What is this Supplement? The supplement revises one of the preferred management options for Draft Amendment 14 that received several comments and questions. Based on feedback during the comment period, we added more details and reworked this option.

The Supplement to Draft Amendment 14 provides more details regarding the preferred Management Option A3 on the tiered acceptable biological catch (ABC) control rule. Based on public comments, NOAA Fisheries reworked Management Option A3 so the tiers apply to all sharks that have a stock status of healthy (i.e., not subject to overfishing and not overfished), experiencing overfishing, or unknown. Shark stocks that are: (1) under a rebuilding plan, (2) assessed (or could be assessed) by the scientific body of the International Commission for the Conservation of Atlantic Tunas (ICCAT), or (3) in the prohibited shark complex would be outside of these tiers.

There are no regulations, changes to quotas, or HMS fishery management measures associated with Draft Amendment 14 or the supplement.

## Public Webinar

Wednesday Feb 23, 2022 from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.

## Public Comments

Comments will be accepted during the public webinar.

## WebEx Login

Meeting link: [Click here](#)

Meeting number: 2760 815 8576

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## Membership Report

*By John Toth*

I am now the new Membership Secretary for the JCAA. I, along with Paul Haertel and Tom Fote, are currently putting together a new PowerPoint presentation about the JCAA. Our goal with this new presentation is to tell our member clubs what the JCAA is all about – its background, its committees, what issues it is involved with, the organizations it interacts with to reach its goals, what it is currently working on, and its accomplishments. Also, this presentation will include its current projects, its positions on various issues and what clubs can do to help the JCAA in its mission to protect the fishing rights of all anglers who fish in New Jersey.

We are in the process of testing this presentation in a PowerPoint format and the time it takes to present all the materials we want in it. This presentation is geared to be no more than 45 minutes or less. I have arranged speakers for my Saltwater



Anglers of Bergen County club for many years and my experience with speakers is that when the 45-minute time limit is exceeded, attention by members to what the speaker is saying starts to decline. Also, in conjunction with a speaker and club business, members need to exit the meeting at a reasonable time frame and a long-winded speaker does not become a hero.

I will be reaching out to clubs in the near future to show this JCAA presentation when I think it is finalized. I can be reached at (732) 656-0139 or at [tothjohn@verizon.net](mailto:tothjohn@verizon.net).

Also, please pay your JCAA club dues for 2022. You will receive a request for payment in the near future. Please fill out the information requested completely – who is your club president, treasurer and the representative (s) who will be at the JCAA General Club Membership meetings that are always held on the last Tuesday of every month, except in July and August when we are fishing and doing our best to land the Big Ones!

## Office Manager

*By Paul Turi*

At the end of the year, after 25 years of service, I will be retiring from JCAA. At that time, I will be approaching my 79<sup>th</sup> birthday and I feel it is time to move on. I wear many hats for JCAA. Two of those hats are Office Manager and Fluke Tournament Director. This year I am stepping down as the Fluke Tournament Director and, as I said, at the end of the year I will be stepping down as the Office Manager and will be totally retiring from JCAA. So that being said, we currently need a Fluke Tournament Director who will also take over as the office manager. I will work with that person in running the tournament and also what has to be done in the office. This is a part-time paid position and salary is negotiable. If anyone is interested in the position, please contact me at 609-709-9215 or by email [pturi72@gmail.com](mailto:pturi72@gmail.com) or the JCAA office email [jcaa@jcaa.org](mailto:jcaa@jcaa.org).

One of the other hats I wear at JCAA is Editor of the monthly newspaper, and as part of the Office Manager's job I print the monthly newspaper. In the very near future we will be moving to a digital newspaper. Mailing, printing and paper costs have gone up significantly over the years necessitating the

move to a digital format. Therefore, we are going to have to update our database of email addresses. If you wish to still receive the JCAA newspaper every month, or are not in our database and wish to receive the newspaper, please email us your email address along with your name and address and we will update our database.

## Youth Education Report

*By Greg Kucharewski*

### HIGH SCHOOL TEAM COMPETITION 31<sup>st</sup> ANNUAL GOVERNOR'S SURF FISHING TOURNAMENT

The Governor's Surf Fishing Tournament will be held on Sunday, May 15<sup>th</sup> and the tournament committee is encouraging High School fishing clubs, along with other school-based fishing teams to get ready for the Annual Governor's Cup School team competition. If you know a school team that would like to register for this event, please email Karen Byrne at: [karen.byrne@dep.nj.gov](mailto:karen.byrne@dep.nj.gov). To register your High School team [click here](#).

Please visit the JCAA Website for updates and don't forget to register for the Free NJ Saltwater Recreational [Registry Program](#).

### NEW OPPORTUNITIES FOR VETERANS AND THEIR FAMILIES



NJ DEP, Division of Fish and Wildlife will partner with Vietnam Veterans of America Shore Area Chapter 12 (VVA 12) to increase freshwater and saltwater fishing opportunities for veterans. Karen Byrne, Education Bureau of Information and Education is working with VVA 12 and the Recreational Boating and Fishing Foundation (RBFF) to propose new fishing and boating opportunities for veterans and their families. The grant proposal will

complement segments of our “Play HOOK-e from PTSD” surf fishing program that began during 2012 with the Jersey Coast Anglers Youth Education Committee. We will also partner with MA Deuce Deuce to continue to getting veterans on the water to learn about fishing and boating.

### **NEW JCAA YOUTH EDUCATION COMMITTEE MEMBER**

We are proud to welcome Sean Moley, Play HOOK-e volunteer to the JCAA Youth Education Committee. Sean has volunteered at Lake Julianna to help disabled youngsters learn to fish and would like to aid the JCAA Youth Education Committee with our youth and veteran fishing programs. Sean joins committee members, Dr. Eleanor Bochenk, Don Marantz, Tom Fote, Tim Burden, Paul Smith, and Eileen Smith.

### **TAKE ME FISHING**

Visit the Recreation Fishing and Boating Foundation’s Take Me Fishing to discover the [best places to fish](#) in New Jersey. Spend time investigating the best places to fish in New Jersey before the fishing season begins by researching Take Me Fishing New Jersey.

### **NJ HOFNOD FUNDING**

Please mention to your clubs that we would like to continue our efforts to increase funds for NJ HOFNOD. We are asking you write to your legislators. The importance of properly funding NJ HOFNOD is essential to provide needed funds to expand NJ HOFOD. The bill appropriates \$450,000 to the Department of Environmental Protection to fund the cost of implementing the Hooked on Fishing-Not on Drugs Program. The money would be appropriated from the "Drug Enforcement and Demand Reduction Fund," a statutory account established to receive fines and penalties from convicted drug offenders that are used to support State-authorized drug and alcohol abuse abatement programs. The bill encourages the Legislature to appropriate sufficient funding annually from the "Drug Enforcement and Demand Reduction Fund" or any other appropriate source to maintain the operation of the program in future years.

If you would like to become a certified NJ HOFNOD instructor, please contact: *Liz Jackson, NJ DEP Division of Fish & Wildlife, Hooked on Fishing - Not*

*on Drugs, 605 Pequest Road, Oxford, NJ 07683, 908-637-4125 x122*

Or visit the [NJ HOFNOD website](#) to view a group near you.

### **FREE MOBILE SPORTFISHING PERMIT**

We remind all eligible disabled veterans to apply for an IBSP 2022 Mobile Sportfishing Permit to drive on the beach. Please apply for your mobile permit ASAP as there is a limited amount available. Veterans must supply the following: Form DD 214 Honorable Discharge, Valid NJ Driver License and Registration, Veterans ID Card proof of service-connected disability. If you plan to fish on the beach you must [register](#) for a Free NJ Saltwater Recreational Registration Card. It is suggested new beach drivers take a beach safety driving course. NJBBA offers a beach driving course: [link here](#). For more information about permits and hours contact: Island Beach State Park, 732-793-0506.

### **SUPPORT LOCAL TACKLE DEALERS**

Do not wait till the fish are biting to have rod and reel repairs done. February and March are the perfect months to get your equipment ready for fishing. Shop local and visit our [tackle dealers list](#) for veteran discounts.

## **Amazon Smile**

*By Paul Turi, Office Manager*

Amazon Smile is a program where Amazon donates 0.5% of the purchase price of eligible products to the charitable organization selected by its customers. JCAA is a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization and is registered with Amazon Smile to receive these donations from Amazon. If you would like to support JCAA in this manner, whenever you buy something on Amazon, simply go to [smile.amazon.com](#) whenever you make a purchase from Amazon and when asked indicate the Jersey Coast Anglers Association as the charitable organization you would like the donation to go to. You will still get the same price you would normally get but Amazon makes the 0.5% of the purchase price donation to JCAA. It’s that simple and it is a great way to support JCAA.

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