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"WORKING FOR MARINE RECREATIONAL ANGLERS"

JCAA REGULAR MEETING

September 29th, 2026, 7:00pm

Jersey Coast Shark Anglers Building
385 Herbertsville Rd, Brick, NJ 08724

or via Zoom, for link contact:

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NEXT JCAA BOARD MEETING

Thursday, July 9th

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IMPORTANT DATES

July 9th JCAA Board Meeting

July 9th JCAA High Roller Raffle Drawing

**July 30th-August 2nd JCAA Annual Fluke
Tournament**

No General Meetings in July & August

August 13th JCAA Board Meeting

**August 22nd 10th Annual Veterans, Disabled Children
& Active Military Fishing Day**

September 10th JCAA Board Meeting

September 29th JCAA General Meeting

November 14th Sportsperson-of-the-Year Dinner

JCAA Hi-Roller Raffle

By Mark Taylor

Congratulations to all the winners of the **2026 JCAA High Roller Raffle**. We sincerely thank the anglers who supported JCAA through this fundraiser. We enjoyed speaking with attendees at each event where raffle tickets were sold. The drawing was held on July 9th at 7:30 p.m. at the Toms River Knights of Columbus #4969 Building, 113 Tennyson Ave, Toms River, NJ 08753. (NJLGCCC Id #475-4-32152, Municipal Raffle License: #9951)

All winners have been contacted and are in the process of receiving their prizes. For those to whom I had the opportunity to personally deliver prizes, we enjoyed meaningful discussions about fishing. A future article will have pictures of the winners.

List of Prize Winners & Retail Values (*Total Value \$3,143*)

1. John Tulko - Brick, NJ – Jersey Nutz Six-Man Charter

Experience an exciting six-hour inshore weekday charter for up to six guests with Jersey Nutz. This prize, valued at \$1,300, offers a memorable outing on the water. Donated by Captains Robert and Cody Melton

2. **Ron Fanelli - Pittman, NJ – 10' 6" TFO Tactical Surf Rod and Shimano Reel**

Win a 10' 6" TFO Tactical Surf Rod (TAC SUS 1064-2, two-piece) paired with a Shimano Sustain 8000FE reel, valued at \$625. This combo is perfect for surf fishing enthusiasts. Donated by JCAA / Tom Fote

3. **Joe McGovern - Sewell, NJ – \$500 Gift Certificate from Fisherman's Headquarters**

Receive a \$500 gift certificate to Fisherman's Headquarters, a fantastic opportunity to select top-quality fishing gear or accessories. Donated by Fisherman's Headquarters (Stan and Greg Cudnik)

4. **Bill Dougherty - Shark River Hills, NJ – Engel 123 QT High Performance Hard Cooler and Ice Box**

Take home an Engel 123 QT high performance hard cooler and ice box, valued at \$469. This cooler is ideal for keeping your catch or refreshments cold all day long. Donated by Engel Coolers

5. **Harry Roecker - Wildwood, NJ – 7' Penn SSVI6500LL701MH Spinfisher VI Spinning Combo**

This prize includes a 7' Penn SSVI6500LL701MH Spinfisher VI spinning combo, valued at \$249, perfect for your next fishing adventure. Donated by Penn Fishing

of Cheeses, Fresh and raw Vegetables & Italian Provisions with crackers and Ranch Dressing

- **For Dinner** – Five Leaf Salad with Citrus Vinaigrette Dressing & Homemade Dinner Rolls with Butter. Dinner selections include Grilled Salmon, Sausage and Peppers, Eggplant Rollatini, Chicken Francese, Penne Vodka, Seasonal Vegetables, and Seasonal Potatoes. Carving Station for Roast Beef and Turkey.
- **For Dessert** – Dessert Platters served with Coffee, Decaffeinated and Assorted Teas

We will have many Tricky Tray prizes along with a Silent Auction and a 50/50. Clubs that want to make a donation to add to the list of prizes should contact **Don Marantz** at (908) 347-1434.

The price for the dinner is **\$850 per table of 10, or \$90 as an individual**. This dinner is a fundraiser for the JCAA to continue protecting the rights of all anglers who fish in New Jersey.

Nominations for the Sportsperson of the Year Dinner will be made at the JCAA's General Membership Meeting on **September 29th**. Start *now* to think of who from your club should be nominated to receive this prestigious award. When writing your nomination, please limit it to 500 words or less so it can be easily read at our **September 29th** General Membership Meeting. Contact JCAA Dinner Chairman John Toth at (732) 656-0139 or tothjohn@verizon.net.

JCAA Sportsperson of the Year Dinner November 14

By John Toth

Save the Date! Our Sportsperson of the Year Dinner is going to be held on **Saturday evening on November 14th starting at 6:00 p.m. at the Spring Lake Manor** located at 414 Highway 71, Spring Lake, NJ. This dinner will be served as a buffet and will include:

- **Cocktail Hour** – 1 Complimentary drink ticket for Beer, Wine, Sangria and unlimited soft drinks. Cash Bar will be available. Includes an assortment

President's Report

By Mark Taylor

With children out of school for the summer, let us remember that they are the future of recreational fishing and stewardship of our waterways. Whenever possible, take them fishing, share your knowledge, and create lasting memories. One day, they may become members of your fishing clubs and get involved with JCAA. JCAA wishes you and your family an outstanding summer filled with memorable moments together.

Although summer is here, fisheries management meetings continue throughout the season. We encourage everyone who is truly dedicated to recreational fishing to get involved, or at least stay informed, by participating in these webinar-based meetings. The websites linked below provide valuable

information that all anglers should review. The Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission ([ASMFC](#)) holds the most meetings during the summer. In July, ASMFC will address Atlantic menhaden, spiny dogfish, Atlantic striped bass, summer flounder, scup, black sea bass, and bluefish. In August, ASMFC will hold its 2026 Summer Meeting from August 4th to 6th, followed by the ASMFC/Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council meeting from August 10th to 13th, covering Atlantic striped bass stock assessment and sector separation. The [New Jersey Marine Fisheries Council](#) has a meeting in early July and another in September. The Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council ([MAFMC](#)) is scheduled to meet on August 10th.

If you have not noticed, the fishery management process is highly complex and time consuming. It is unrealistic for a small group or any individual to manage it effectively on their own. For this reason, I am asking each club to become more actively involved and to encourage member participation. As you will see from the list of meetings I listed above, there are numerous types of meetings where representation from the recreational community is essential. Even simply attending, gathering information, and sharing it back is valuable. Active participation is critical if we want to ensure a strong and sustainable future for our sport. I am looking forward to building each of the JCAA Species Committees with dedicated individuals that I know will do an excellent job for this organization and our sport. If you have names or if you are one of them, please contact me ([mtsport64@aol.com](#)), so I can achieve this goal.

The **JCAA Annual High Roller Raffle** drawing will be held at 7:30 p.m. on **Thursday, July 9, 2026**, at the Toms River Knights of Columbus Council #4969, 113 Tennyson Ave., Toms River, the same evening as our Board Meeting. I will personally call each winner to arrange delivery of their prize as quickly as possible. Winners will also be posted on our Facebook page and website within a few days of the drawing, with a follow-up article in the next JCAA newspaper. Thank you to everyone who purchased tickets and continues to support the Jersey Coast Anglers Association. Your support allows us to keep fighting for the rights of the recreational fishing community.

If you have not already done so, there is still time to participate in the **JCAA Annual Fluke Tournament**. This year's tournament promises to be an event you will not want to miss, so be sure to save the dates: **July 30th through August 2nd**. Participants

may choose one of the four tournament days to fish, selecting the day that best fits their schedule, and all tournament rules are followed. For complete details, visit the JCAA [website](#), where everything you need to know is available. Chairperson Frank Macalik has done an outstanding job coordinating this tournament. We encourage everyone, including friends, to participate, follow the rules, and help make the event run smoothly and become an enormous success.

The 2026 Annual Sportsperson of the Year Dinner will be held on **November 14th**, but that date will arrive quickly. Because some clubs do not meet during the summer as well as JCAA membership, clubs planning to nominate someone should submit their nominee and 500-word summary as soon as possible to Tom Fote ([tfote@jcaa.org](#)), Vice President Steve Machalaba ([smachalaba@aol.com](#)), John Toth ([tothjohn@verizon.net](#)) and me ([mtsport64@aol.com](#)). Once received, the summaries will be sent to all JCAA club representatives so they can vote at the September 29th General Membership Meeting. If submitted on time, the summaries will also be printed in the next newspaper. This year's dinner will be held at Spring Lake Manor, a beautiful Victorian mansion in Spring Lake Heights, NJ, which provides an ideal setting for the occasion. Clubs are encouraged to reserve a table or gather friends to attend together. Anyone planning to attend should contact John Toth ([tothjohn@verizon.net](#)) as soon as possible so he can coordinate the many behind-the-scenes details required for this event. Clubs or individuals planning to donate gifts for dinner should also contact John and me so we can organize the tricky tray and silent auction items. I hope to see everyone there.

Every angler should make it a priority to visit the NJDEP – NJ Fish & Wildlife website, which offers a wealth of up-to-date information essential for saltwater fishing in New Jersey. Be sure to thoroughly review all resources available on saltwater fishing and complete your annual registration or renewal for the **2026 NJ Saltwater Recreational Registry** at [this link](#). Registration is free and must be completed each year. By participating, anglers help ensure that saltwater fishing activity is accurately tracked in New Jersey. This data is vital for determining federal funding eligibility and allocation, which supports ongoing fisheries research and management efforts.

Staying informed and actively involved is essential for all anglers. By engaging in fisheries issues and following important developments, our recreational community can strengthen its voice in

decision-making and help shape a positive future for our sport.

Upcoming JCAA Meetings

The Jersey Coast Anglers Association (JCAA) has several important meetings scheduled for the coming months. These sessions provide opportunities for members and recreational anglers to stay informed, participate in discussions, and help guide the future of the organization.

- **July 9th at 7:30 pm:** JCAA Board Meeting. This session will be held in person or via Zoom, allowing board members to participants to join remotely.
 - *High Roller drawing at 7:30pm*
- **June 28th: No JCAA General Membership Meeting**
- **August 13th at 7:30 pm:** JCAA Board Meeting. This session will be held exclusively via Zoom, allowing board members and participants to join remotely.
- **August 25th – No JCAA General Membership Meeting**
- **September 10th at 7:30 pm:** JCAA Board Meeting. This session will be held exclusively via Zoom, allowing board members and participants to join remotely.
- **September 29th at 7:00 pm:** JCAA General Membership Meeting. All members are invited to attend either in person at 385 Herbertsville Rd., Brick, NJ 08724, or remotely via Zoom. This meeting will use a hybrid format to accommodate both in-person and remote participants and is open to recreational anglers.
 - Club Representatives will be voting on the person to be honored as 2026 Sportsman of the Year

Your participation in these meetings is encouraged. Whether attending in person or via Zoom, members and anglers alike can stay connected, contribute to important discussions, and help shape the direction of JCAA. Please remember to add these dates to your calendar and join us for meaningful engagement.

Fisheries Management & Legislative Report

By Tom Fote

The ASMFC Summer Meeting will take place August 4th-6th in D.C. and MAFMC meeting and the Joint meeting with ASMFC for next year's Summer Flounder will take place in Philadelphia. I have included the agenda for the ASMFC meeting but there was no agenda for the MAFMC and the Joint meeting posted on the website at this time.

There are many important issues coming up in both meetings. The MAFMC is in Philadelphia so you can go for the day and attend for the day and see how we never get the increase that we should. All you need to do is go to the MAFMC website and check when the agenda is posted.

Why JCAA is an association of clubs not a general membership organization?

When JCAA was formed, it was formed by seven clubs trying to work together on specific issues. The clubs at that time had many members who wanted to get involved and the clubs would send delegates to the meetings. The process was simple. Presentations were made at meetings and a motion might be made. If delegates were not comfortable voting for their clubs at that time, they would take the motion back to their clubs and a vote would be held at the following meeting. We were lucky to have a very diverse number of clubs from different sectors of the recreational industry and also some environmental members. We had the beach fishermen, the offshore fishermen, and the inshore fishermen. We did not have to go out to a general membership since they were represented by their club. At that time, we did not have the internet/technology that we could use to sample the entire fishing community. I think this gives a great diversity of JCAA. What we need is more participation from clubs that are no longer members. When I was at the last general meeting someone said to me "your club" insinuating that JCAA was my club. I pointed out that since I don't represent a club at general meetings, I don't even have a vote. The clubs need to attend and vote for their members.

If you belong to a fishing club, this is your organization. Make sure your club belongs to JCAA and is actively involved. The more clubs we have, the

more clout we have and the more likely our legislators are to listen to us. A general membership organization takes people to reach out to the membership, monitor membership and keep in touch with everyone. We don't have the people that this work would require. If you look at general membership organizations, most of them have a paid director. The other organization that has a general membership is the NJ State Federation of Sportsmen Clubs. They have chapters in every county that meet and bring positions to their general membership meetings. They are a much bigger organization than JCAA and they have the money and a great number of volunteers that would be required. We are always open to suggestions, but we need to get the support of clubs. Without the clubs JCAA cannot exist.

ASMFC Summer Meeting Preliminary Agenda

August 4-6, 2026

Tuesday, August 4

10 – 11 a.m. Atlantic Herring Management Board

- Review 2025 Benchmark and 2026 Management Track Assessments

11:15 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. American Lobster Management Board

12:15 p.m. – 1:30 p.m. Lunch Break

1 – 4 p.m. Committee on Economics and Social Sciences (CESS)

- Updates on Ongoing Tasks
- Updates from Atlantic Striped Bass Recreation Demand Model Modelers
- Discuss AI and Economics
- Discuss Process for Better Utilizing CESS Expertise
- Outline Risk and Uncertainty Changes for the Risk and Uncertainty Work Group

1:30 – 2:30 p.m. Winter Flounder Management Board

- Consider Technical Committee Report on Potential Impacts of Increasing Bag Limit in Southern New England/Mid-Atlantic

- Review New England Fishery Management Council's Groundfish Specification Process

2:45 – 4:45 p.m. Tautog Management Board

- Consider Approval of Draft Addendum I for Public Comment: Measures to Address Changes in Stock Status for New Jersey-New York Bight and Delaware-Maryland-Virginia Stock Units
- Review Risk and Uncertainty Decision Tool Scores

5 – 6 p.m. ASMFC Public Outreach (Westin Lobby)

- Informational Exchange among Commission Members, Staff, and Meeting Attendees; All are Welcome; Light Snacks

Wednesday, August 5

8 – 9 a.m. Executive Committee

8:30 a.m. – 4 p.m. Committee on Economics and Social Sciences (*continued*)

9:45 – 11 a.m. Spiny Dogfish Management Board

11:15 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Coastal Pelagics Management Board

- Set Cobia Fishery Specifications
- Update on Benchmark Stock Assessment
- Consider Cobia Fishery Management Plan Review and State Compliance Reports for 2025 Fishing Year

12:30 – 2 p.m. Luncheon for Legislative and Governor Appointee Commissioners

12:30 – 2 p.m. Lunch Break for Commissioners & Proxies

2 – 5:30 p.m. Atlantic Menhaden Management Board

- Consider Approval of Draft Addendum II for Public Comment: Modifying the Chesapeake Bay Reduction Fishery Cap
 - Review Work Group and Technical Committee Report on Board Task
- Review CESS Report on Board Task
 - Impacts to Bait Fishery from Changes in Chesapeake Bay Reduction Fishery Cap

- Consider Guidance to Technical Committee on 2027-2029 Specifications

Thursday, August 6

8:30 – 9:30 a.m. Atlantic Striped Bass Management Board

- Consider Comments to NOAA Fisheries on its Document: *Charting A Course for Striped Bass: Science and Regulatory Innovation for Offshore Aquaculture*
- Consider Fishery Management Plan Review and State Compliance Reports for 2025 Fishing Years

9:45 – 11:45 a.m. Interstate Fisheries Management Program Policy Board

- Review Commission Guiding Documents
- Discuss *De Minimis Guidance*
- Committee Reports: Assessment Science Committee and Committee on Economics and Social Sciences
- Update on Recreational Angler Partnership Improvement Directive (RAPID)
- Review Noncompliance Findings, if necessary

11:45 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. Commission Business Session

- Consider Changes to Commission Rules and Regulations
- Consider Noncompliance Recommendations, if necessary

JCAA New Ad Program

By Tom Fote

The full-page ads in our newspaper cost \$1,000 for the year and we are pleased to announce [Engel Coolers](#) as our first full-page ad under our new ad program.

These ads can be for tackle stores, fishing clubs and any other individuals who would like to advertise in our newspaper. It is easier to change a full-page month to month so if your tackle store is running a special sale, you could have a new ad for that specific event for the month before and the month of. Clubs can list their tournaments, flea markets or any other event by just submitting a new ad to replace the existing one. If you have any questions, contact Tom Fote at (732)

270-9102 or email at tfote@jcaa.org. This does not replace the \$500 or \$250 business ad already in place. We are hoping to use the ad money to pay for the operation of the newspaper. We hope that you will solicit ads and get your club to take an ad. It is a great way to publicize your club and get new members. We will also have a link to the sponsors' webpages. Please call me if you have any questions. Mark also has put together some forms that will be ready by the next newsletter.

JCAA Membership Report

By John Toth

First of all, I want to **Thank** all clubs that have already paid your 2026 dues and sponsorships!

We are approaching half of the year and a number of clubs still have not paid their dues. Please pay your club's dues to keep your JCAA membership active. The following are checks we have already received from clubs to date:

Clubs:

- Spring Lake Live Liners - \$300
- Seaside Heights Fishing Club - \$100
- NJ Beach Buggy Assoc. - \$300
- Hi-Mar Striper Club - \$500
- Surf Kings Fishing Club - \$100
- Salt Water Anglers of Bergen County - \$100
- Belmar Fishing Club - \$100
- Manasquan Fishing Club - \$300
- Beach Haven Marlin & Tuna Club - \$50
- Delaware Shad - \$150
- Fun Under Boats (FUB) - \$50
- NJ Council of Diver's Club - \$50
- Menhaden Defenders - \$100
- Sandy Hook Bay Anglers - \$300
- Berkeley Striper Club - \$300

Sponsorships:

- Paul Shafer - \$259
- Susan Gene Geld - \$50
- Barnegat Animal Clinic - \$100
- Adam T. Piaseki - \$50
- Fins on Feathers - \$50
- In Memory of Tom Ortman - \$100
- Linda/Charles Jules - \$100
- John Zingis - \$50
- L. Raymond Hunphreys, Jr. - \$100

- Jon Brunetti - \$100
- Louis Schott - \$100
- Joe Palumbo - \$500

Our next JCAA General Membership Meeting will be held on **June 30th, 2026**, at the Shark Anglers Building in Herbertsville. It will be done as an in-person meeting and by ZOOM starting at **7:00 p.m.**

After our June 30th meeting, our next JCAA Club Membership Meeting will be held on **September 29th**. **Have a great summer and catch a lot of fish!**

I can be contacted at tothjohn@verizon.net or at (732) 656-0139 if you have any questions.

Youth Education Report

By Greg Kucharewski

SUNSHINE FOUNDATION FISHING FUN

This fishing day was always a favorite event for Tom Siciliano, Past President JCAA and Saltwater Anglers of Bergen County. I can remember volunteering with Tom when this event first started. The Fishing Tournament is raising funds to make Ace's dream come true. Ace is diagnosed with *Lennox-Gastaut syndrome* (a rare and severe form epilepsy), Agenesis of the corpus callosum (the structure connecting the brain's left and right hemispheres is partially or completely absent), and neuro disability. Ace loves water, and it provides great therapy. Ace dreams of an above-ground swimming pool for play and therapy.



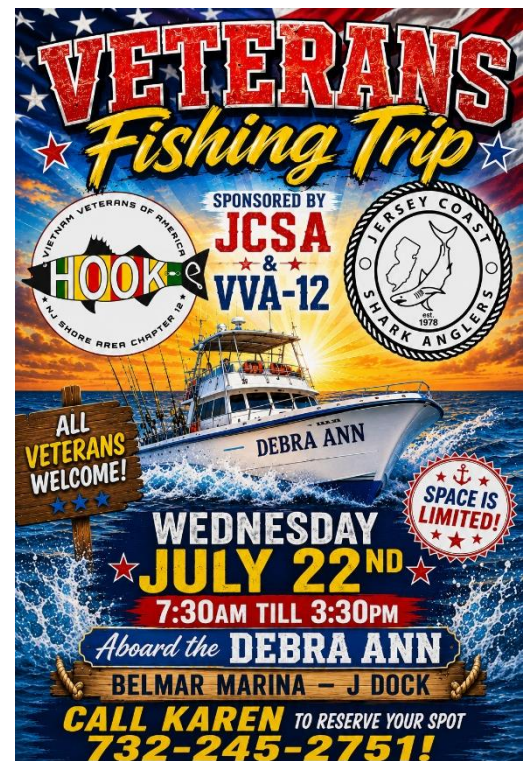
BEGINNER SURF FISHING CLINIC

George Brown and his crew of expert angler volunteers are gearing up to teach beginner surf fishing clinics at Island Beach State Park. Register and learn from some of the best fishing experts along the Jersey Shore. Learn how to tie knots, how to read the beach, what species to catch and how you can improve your skills! Every Friday morning starting July 11th, till August 30th. Cost: Still only \$10. [Register here.](#)



JERSEY COAST SHARK ANGLERS 3rd ANNUAL VETERAN FISHING CHARTER

The Jersey Coast Shark Anglers will co-sponsor a fishing trip for veteran men and women with Play HOOK-e from PTSD, Vietnam Veterans of America, Shore Area Chapter 12. Register early this fishing trip will fill up fast. Manasquan Elk's will also help and make sure our veterans have a fun fishing experience. Phone Karen Noe and Michele Kohler to reserve your space. We thank the membership of JCSA for making this an annual event. View their [website here.](#)



10th ANNUAL VETERANS, DISABLED CHILDREN & ACTIVE-DUTY FISHING DAY

Yes, we are traveling back to NJ to attend the 10th Anniversary festivities and see all our NJ friends at Lake Julianna.

The 10th Annual Play HOOK-e Veterans, Children and Active-Duty Military Fishing Day will be held on Saturday, August 22, 2026, at Lake Julianna, Ponderosa Estates Farm in Millstone, New Jersey. Celebrating a decade of service, the event honors the program's long-standing mission of supporting post-traumatic stress disorder veterans, active-duty military personnel, and disabled children through a free day of fishing, fellowship, and family-centered outdoor activities. Since its founding in 2017, Play HOOK-e has grown into a meaningful multigenerational tradition that promotes healing, mentorship, and community connection.

*** See flyer below ***

JCAA member clubs please pass our flyer along. Don Marantz wants to reach a new goal of 1000 participants. Okay Don, I might bring my guitar and sing a tune or two with the VVA 12 Guitars 4 Vets group at Lake Julianna.

2026 JCAA YOUTH EDUCATION AWARD

The JCAA Youth Education Committee is accepting nominations for the 2026 Youth Education Award. Youth Education Award Criteria: Promoting "Hooked On Fishing Not On Drugs (HOFNOD)," Certified HOFNOD instructors, number of fishing or aquatic education events, JCAA lending library usage, and creativity for promoting youth events. We already have one nomination from Berkeley Striper Club. Submit your nominations in writing and email to gkucharews@jcaa.org.

CHILDREN'S FISHING DAY AT ECHO LAKE

A fun time was had by all that attended the NJ HOFNOD Fishing Challenge at Echo Lake. Spring Lake Liveliners Fishing Club volunteers were doing a wonderful job of assisting children with casting. The event was sponsored by: Howell Township Department of Community Relations, Howell Township Municipal Alliance, The Optimist Club of Howell, Spring Lake Fishing Club, NJ Division of Fish & Wildlife, Palmetto Animal Assisted Life Services (PAALS), Saker ShopRite of Howell. All participants enjoyed fishing

and catching fish. JCAA volunteers were also helping youngsters catch their first fish.



NBFCC ANNUAL VETERAN FISHING TRIP

Veterans aboard the Mi-Jo enjoyed a fun fishing trip hosted by the Newark Bait and Fly- Casting Club. As always Rich MacDonald and his volunteers do an excellent job organizing the annual veteran fishing trip.



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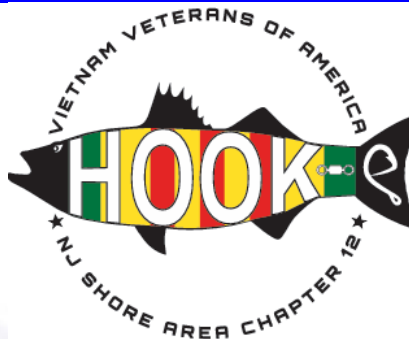
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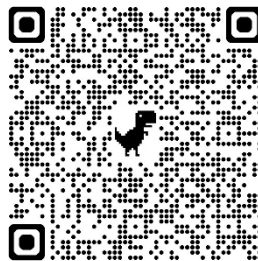
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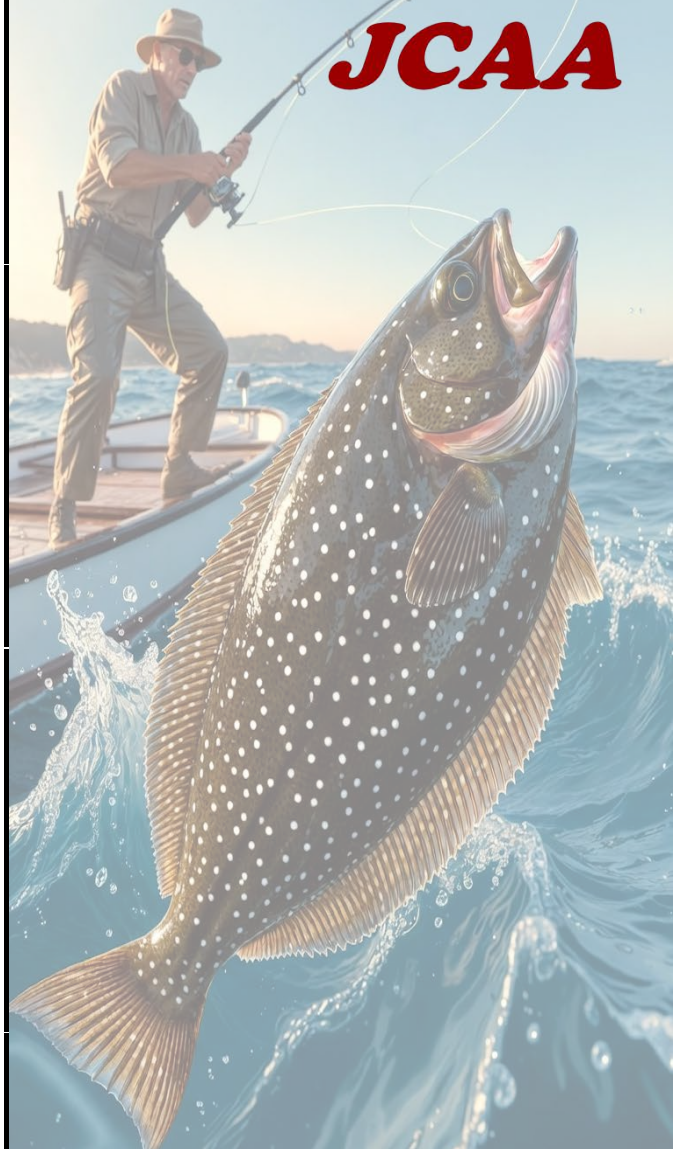
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