

# Alabama Coastal Fisherman's Association



**September 2010**  
**Next meeting:** September 2<sup>nd</sup>  
**Time:** 7:00 p.m.  
**Speaker:** Capt. Scott Ritter  
**Quick Hits:** Capt. Pete Burns  
**Mini-seminar:** Barnie White-Tournament Fishing  
**Next tournament:** September 4<sup>th</sup>-“End of Summer”

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## President's Message

The tournament season is nearing the end and looks to be a tight race for Master Angler. Thanks to Mr. Charlie Dowdle and Joe Sirmon for the meal at the weigh in. Please \*\*\*\*NOTE\*\*\*\* - the End of the Year Awards Banquet and Christmas Party will be held on FRIDAY, DECEMBER 10<sup>TH</sup>. The newsletter from February listed it as the 3<sup>rd</sup>, but the Dance Hall was already booked for the 3<sup>rd</sup>. We will start a signup sheet at the next meeting. Estimated cost for a non-member/guest will be \$14. We will once again ask that you bring a 2 liter drink and a dessert. Our own Terry Quint will once again be catering the event.



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**Donald Wayne Garrettson** displays the winning blackfish he caught during the August Grandslam tournament. Statsmaster **Adam Barker** looks on with envy.

## August “Mobile Bay Grandslam”-tournament results

### Speckled Trout

|                    |       |
|--------------------|-------|
| 1. George Harrison | 5.05  |
| 2. Trevor Wood     | 4.10  |
| 3. Phillip Ward    | 3.85* |
| 4. Noah Barker(J)  | 3.85  |
| 5. Bill Midgette   | 3.80  |

### Blackfish

|                     |       |
|---------------------|-------|
| 1. Donald Garretson | 19.50 |
| 2. George Harrison  | 13.55 |
| 3. Rick Tourne      | 9.55  |
| 4. Ed Greer         | 8.35  |
| 5. O.P. Harrison    | 7.70  |

### Flounder

|                    |       |
|--------------------|-------|
| 1. Barry Keith     | 3.50  |
| 2. Patric Garmeson | 3.30  |
| 3. John Fassbender | 3.25  |
| 4. Bill Perry      | 2.95* |
| 5. David Hare      | 2.95  |

### White Trout

|                    |       |
|--------------------|-------|
| 1. Mike Thompson   | 1.20* |
| 2. Danny Fing      | 1.20  |
| 3. Patric Garmeson | 1.15  |
| 4. Tim Pierce      | 1.10  |
| 5. Henry Nall      | 1.05  |

### Redfish

|                     |      |
|---------------------|------|
| 1. Dennis Craig     | 6.60 |
| 2. Henry Nall       | 6.05 |
| 3. Patric Garmeson  | 6.00 |
| 4. Bruce Howle, Jr. | 4.90 |
| 5. Phillip Ward     | 4.00 |

### Junior Redfish

|                 |      |
|-----------------|------|
| 1. Jacob Guy(J) | 3.85 |
|-----------------|------|

### Grandslams (Speck, Red, Flounder-Total weight)

|                    |       |
|--------------------|-------|
| 1. Phillip Ward    | 10.35 |
| 2. Henry Nall      | 9.20  |
| 3. George Harrison | 9.00  |
| 4. Phillip Guy     | 6.30  |
| 5. Vicki Foster    | 5.60  |

### Junior Speckled Trout

|                  |      |
|------------------|------|
| 1. Noah Barker   | 2.80 |
| 2. Carson Tierce | 1.55 |

### Junior White Trout

|                  |      |
|------------------|------|
| 1. Carson Tierce | 0.65 |
|------------------|------|

### Junior Flounder

|                  |       |
|------------------|-------|
| 1. Carson Tierce | 2.10  |
| 2. Kyle Wood     | 1.30* |
| 3. Jacob Guy     | 1.30  |

\*First to weigh-in

## September Meeting –September 2<sup>nd</sup>

The September meeting will be on Thursday, September 2<sup>nd</sup>. Club member and expert tournament redfisherman Bernie White will kick things off with the Mini-Seminar at 6 p.m. Bernie will discuss tournament fishing. Capt. Scott Ritter will be the main speaker. Scott is also an expert redfisherman.

## September “End of Summer” Tournament-September 4<sup>th</sup>

The September tournament will be held Saturday, September 4<sup>th</sup> at the usual tournament weigh-in location at American Legion Post 250 just north of Fowl River on Hwy. 193. The categories are speckled trout, redfish, flounder, white trout and Spanish mackerel. As with every weigh-in, food will be provided and even if you don't have anything to weigh-in, you are encouraged to come by and enjoy the food and fellowship.

## **New Officer Elections**

Its that time of year again. If you would like to volunteer your time to give back to the best inshore angling club on the Gulf Coast, now is your chance. Talk to any of the Club Officers listed on the front page, or El Presidente, Vince Hawkins, about opportunities to give your time as a Club Officer or committee member. The club is what it is due to all the officers, and members that are willing to chip in and help. New officer elections are held in November.

## **Outdoor News**

After a nightmare, Hollywood disaster movie'esque, summer, the gusher has finally been plugged and all Alabama state waters have finally been reopened to catch and keep fishing. It will take years to know the full impact of the Deepwater Horizon spill on the marine ecosystem, but it is nice to have some sense of normalcy finally return. I, for one, was getting pretty sick of looking at boom everywhere.

There is also good news for those of us who occasionally venture into the Gulf. After suffering a chronic case of cranial rectal inversion, the NMFS may actually have a temporary recovery and do something smart for once. The Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council has recommended that the 2010 red snapper season be extended since the closures of federal waters due to the oil spill prevented the quota from being filled. The season would be open Fridays through Sundays from October 1<sup>st</sup> through November 22<sup>nd</sup>. Although no decision has been made, an official with NMFS has reportedly stated that he did not see any reason why the request would not be granted.

## **ACFA'ers in other tournaments**

Several local conservation organizations held an impromptu State of the Bay Tournament on July 31<sup>st</sup> on the Causeway. As usual, the ACFA was well represented in both attendance and on the leader board. The not necessarily complete or correct ACFA winners based on third hand sources are believed to be:

1<sup>st</sup> place trout- Jim Foster

2<sup>nd</sup> place blackfish-Rick Tourne

1<sup>st</sup> place junior trout-Chloe Chaffin

2<sup>nd</sup> place junior trout- Katie Mitternacht

1<sup>st</sup> place junior blackfish-Kristen Mitternacht

## **2010 Tournament Point Standings**

**25 pts**-George Harrison;

**23 pts**-Donald Garrettson;

**21 pts**- Tim Pierce;

**20 pts**- O.P. Harrison; Trenny Woodham;

**19 pts**-Rick Tourne;

**18 pts**-. Theo Koulianos(J),

**17 pts**-Ed Greer;

**15 pts**- John Fassbender;

**14 pts**- Alvin Bell, Bob Ward, Henry Nall;

**13 pts**- Doug Tierce, Patric Garmeson, Trevor Wood;

**11 pts**- Rudy Baugh (N);

**10 pts-** Bud Barr, Shawn Dixon;

**9 pts-** Bill Perry, Mark McPherson, Noah Barker (J),Teena Pierce (L);

**8 pts-** Brad McDonald, Carson Tierce (J), Danny Fassbender, David Thornton, Erik Nelson, Jackson Eubanks (J), Tyler Dixon;

**7-pts-** Barry Keith, Doug Smith, Richard Hoffman, Jr.;

**6 pts-** Bill Graves, Bryan Sullivan (J), Chase Maxwell(J), Danny Finch, Dennis Craig, Jamie Dixon, Lee Eubanks, Jared Kelly, Joseph Hughes (J), Jimbo Miller, Jay O'Brien, Mike Foster, Mike Thompson, Phillip Ward, Steve Odell, Vicki Foster(L), Vince Hawkins,;

**5 pts-** Bill Midgette, Chrisitan Howell (J), Daniel Ford, Jerome Parsons, Donna Schantz (L);

**4 pts-** Adam Barker, George Koulianos, Greg Robinson, Frank Mitternacht; Richard Schantz(N), Shane Ford;

**3 pts-** Bruce Howle, Jr. (J), Jim Foster, Todd Golomb, Jacob Guy (J), Jackson Hughes (J), Patrick Hughes, Ryan Hoffman (J), Ted Lawson,

**2 pts-**David Hare, Donny Howell, Donny Hester, Bubba Maxwell, Jason Miller, Phillip Guy, Richard Hoffman Sr.,

**1 pt-** Anna Koulianos (J), Austin Lee, Autumn Lundy (L), Bill Patterson, Bob Maclay, Bruce Howle, Chloe Chaffin (J), Doug Houston, Evan Fassbender, Gene Cooper, Jeb Mann, Jerry Torrains, Joe Sirmon, Kaleb Barker (J), Keith Henry, Keith Kenny, Kyle Woodham, Larry Watkins, Leslie Smith, Lindsey Hawkins(J), Marty Garmeson, Mike Lee, Richard Crist, Ronnie Dyson, Selene Finch, Steve Laurendine, Taylor Guy (J),

### 2010 Bigfish Standings

|                  | Blackfish              | Wt    | Flounder         | Wt   | Ground Mullet       | Wt   | Redfish           | Wt   |
|------------------|------------------------|-------|------------------|------|---------------------|------|-------------------|------|
| 1 <sup>st</sup>  | Rick Tourne            | 22.27 | Alvin Bell       | 5.15 | Marty Garmeson*     | 2.50 | Theo Koulianos(J) | 7.75 |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup>  | Kristen Mitternacht(j) | 20.71 | Bill Graves      | 4.86 | David Thornton      | 2.30 | Theo Koulianos(J) | 6.95 |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup>  | Donald Garrettson      | 19.50 | Doug Tierce      | 4.42 | David Thornton      | 2.15 | Trenni Woodham    | 6.85 |
| 4 <sup>th</sup>  | Rick Tourne            | 18.40 | Jamie Dixon      | 4.31 | Marty Garmeson      | 2.15 | Dennis Craig      | 6.60 |
| 5 <sup>th</sup>  | Kyle Mitternacht       | 17.30 | Sharon Markow(L) | 4.06 | Mike Lee            | 1.10 | Donald Garrettson | 6.55 |
| 6 <sup>th</sup>  | MA Wing                | 14.97 | Bill Midgette    | 3.96 | Shane Ford          | 1.07 | Jim Foster        | 6.45 |
| 7 <sup>th</sup>  | Kyle Mitternacht       | 14.68 | Jamie Dixon      | 3.87 | Shane Ford          | 1.06 | Bob Ward          | 6.20 |
| 8 <sup>th</sup>  | George Harrison        | 13.55 | Barry Keith      | 3.50 | Tim Pierce          | 1.00 | Henry Nall        | 6.05 |
| 9 <sup>th</sup>  | Ed Greer               | 13.00 | Patric Garmeson  | 3.30 |                     |      | Patric Garmeson   | 6.00 |
| 10 <sup>th</sup> | Donald Garrettson      | 12.60 | Trenny Woodham   | 3.27 |                     |      | Tyler Dixon(J)    | 5.65 |
|                  | Sheephead              | Wt    | Spanish Mackerel | Wt   | White Trout         | Wt   | Speckled Trout    | Wt   |
| 1 <sup>st</sup>  | Vicki Foster(L)        | 9.62  | Vicki Foster     | 3.03 | George Harrison     | 1.48 | Trenny Woodham    | 7.20 |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup>  | Theo Koulianos(J)      | 9.45  |                  |      | Ed Greer            | 1.30 | David Thornton    | 6.60 |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup>  | Patric Garmeson        | 9.36  |                  |      | Jackson Eubanks (J) | 1.25 | David Thornton    | 6.56 |
| 4 <sup>th</sup>  | Kyle Mitternacht       | 9.24  |                  |      | George Harrison     | 1.22 | George Harrison   | 6.36 |
| 5 <sup>th</sup>  | Ed Greer               | 7.80  |                  |      | Mike Thompson       | 1.20 | Bill Perry        | 6.20 |
| 6 <sup>th</sup>  | Bill Graves            | 7.70  |                  |      | Danny Fing          | 1.20 | Ed Greer          | 6.16 |
| 7 <sup>th</sup>  | Theo Koulianos(J)      | 7.50  |                  |      | Patric Garmeson     | 1.15 | Donald Garrettson | 6.15 |
| 8 <sup>th</sup>  | Mike Foster            | 7.05  |                  |      | Tim Pierce          | 1.10 | Trenny Woodham    | 6.05 |
| 9 <sup>th</sup>  | Vicki Foster           | 7.03  |                  |      | Carson Tierce       | 1.05 | O.P. Harrison     | 6.05 |
| 10 <sup>th</sup> | Will Parker (J)        | 6.77  |                  |      | Henry Nall          | 1.05 |                   |      |

\*New Club Record

**CPR Speckled Trout:** 1<sup>st</sup> -Carson Tierce(J) 27.75", 2<sup>nd</sup>-Noah Barker 25.50", 3<sup>rd</sup>-George Harrison-25.00", 4<sup>th</sup>- Patric Garmeson-25.00" 5<sup>th</sup> -Jim Foster 24.75 6<sup>th</sup>-Adam Barker 24.25, 7<sup>th</sup> -George Harrison 23.75", 8<sup>th</sup>- Doug Tierce 23.50", 9<sup>th</sup>-Chloe Chaffin (J)-22.00"

## **Reminders**

All monthly meetings are held at American Legion Post 88 on Halls Mill Road, at 7 p.m. on the first Thursday of every month

2010 dues are due now, pay by mail to avoid crowds and qualify for prizes.

2010 Big Fish Contest is now running until Nov 14, 2010. Our Statistician MUST receive cards within 30 days of catch.

Fill out and send Bigfish cards to: Adam Barker 1682 Heartland Circle Robertsdale, AL 36567(947-2579)

Please remember, NO SMOKING in the meeting room. Thanks for helping to make a healthier family environment.

Please buy your drinks for meetings and weigh-ins from the American Legion. Outside alcohol is not allowed.

And PLEASE be respectful of our speakers (and members who want to hear them) by refraining from any unnecessary talking or moving about during the presentations. And we ask that you save your questions until the end of their talk.

**Check Us Out Online @ <http://www.acfafish.com/>**

**ACFA----We catch fish----Get the net!!!**

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