

# Alabama Coastal Fisherman's Association



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**Meeting:** June 7, 2012 **Time:** 7:00 PM  
**Place:** American Legion Post 88 2663 Halls Mill Road  
**Main Speaker: Donald Garrettson**— Summer tips, tricks and tactics for summer species  
**Quick Hits: Alvin Bell**  
**Mini Seminar @6pm: Patric Garmeson & O.P. Harrison** -"New School & Old School"

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## Important Dates

**Saturday June 9: ACFA "Summer Starter"**  
**Sunday June 17: Fathers' Day**  
**Wednesday June 20: First Day of Summer**  
**Saturday June 23: 2nd Alabama Inshore TT**  
**Thursday July 5: next ACFA meeting**

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## "Young Guns" On Target In Speckled Trout Challenge!

Angler Name	Age	Wght	Place
Trevor Wood	Y	7.00	1
Patric Garmeson	Y	5.35	2
Donald Garrettson	Y	5.30	3
Rudy Baugh	O	5.25	4
Carson Tierce (J)	Y	5.00	5
Chris Pierce	O	4.80	6
David Thornton	O	4.55	7
Joey Gates	Y	4.55	8
Jeb Mann	Y	4.40	9
Doug Tierce	O	4.15	10

Young Gun" (under age 41) Y  
 "Old Salt" (age 41 or over) O

The inaugural intra club tourney Speckled Trout Challenge was handily won by the under age 41 team nicknamed "Young Guns". The final score was 38 -17. Making the 'beat down' even harder to swallow is the fact that almost twice as many team "Old Salts" weighed trout in possibly the most impressive Top 10 creels in club history. The first five places consisted of speckled trout all over 5 pounds! Some guys just know where to find that one BIG trout ;-). Congratulations to all our anglers, and THANKS to the team of ex-president cooks who put together a fish fry feast for all the participants!!



Team "Young Guns" Trevor Wood landed the above 7 pound speckled trout to take first place in the ACFA and UCP tournaments! Congrats!

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### President's Message:

Officially it is still spring but we are in full blown summer pattern. Shrimping season is open in the bay, trout are staged up on deep structure, spanish mackerel all over the bay, and water temperatures are in the mid 80's. There are numerous ways to catch fish this time of year, so get out and do what you know will work for a little while and do some experimenting to keep yourself sharp. The May tournament, unofficially dubbed "old salts vs young guns" was well received and enjoyed by all. The weigh in had delicious food prepared by past presidents Doug Smith, Vince Hawkins, Bruce Howle and were well supervised by Belinda Smith, Brenda and Pete Burns. Thanks for all the hard work folks! On another note.... For those of you who don't know, several of our long time members have been ill lately. Bill Midgette was recently diagnosed with cancer. So everyone please keep our sick friends, in particular Bill and his family in your prayers. Bill has contributed his time towards the ACFA and continues to play a large role in the continued success of the club.

Capt. Patric Garmeson

**May 5, 2012 ACFA SPECKLED TROUT CHALLENGE RESULTS**

Place	Weight	Angler	Y points	O points
1	7.00	Trevor Wood	10	
2	5.35	Patric Garmeson	9	
3	5.30	Donald Garrettson	8	
4	5.25	Rudy Baugh		7
5	5.00	Carson Tierce (J)	6	
6	4.80	Chris Pierce		5
7	4.55 *	David Thornton		4
8	4.55	Joey Gates	3	
9	4.40	Jeb Mann	2	
10	4.15	Doug Tierce		1
<b>Totals</b>			<b>38</b>	<b>17</b>

\* tie first to weigh in

Y = "Young Guns" less than age 41 O = "Old Salts" age 41 or more

**Junior Angler Category**

- 1st----- Trevor Harrison -----3.15 lbs
- 2nd----- Matthew Morgan -----3.10 lbs
- 3rd-----Lindsey Hawkins -----2.70 lbs
- 4th----- Kenneth Alsbrooks -----2.45 lbs

**Tournament Notes**

The weather was cooperative for most of the ACFA anglers who fished the tournament. There were a few showers in the lower bay early that brought some relief to the heat and bright sunshine that prevailed elsewhere. An afternoon seabreeze helped keep things from getting too hot at the Causeway weigh in location. If you didn't make it to the weigh in you missed a parade of dozens of fine speckled trout. We definitely raised the competitive bar this year and everyone there seemed to enjoy the new format and have fun with it.

The anglers were treated to fried fish, cheese grits, coleslaw and pasta salad. Our Food Chairman **Vince Hawkins** wrote on the ACFA website: "THANKS AGAIN to Velvet Tines (Brenda) for the slaw, salad and condiments. BIG THANKS to Doug (Smith) and Bruce (Howle) for cooking and Belinda, David T, VT, Pete and Charlie C for help with setup. Great food and fellowship, as always. Special people make this organization what it is and I appreciate them!!!"  
 Doug had a new 'double barreled' fryer that cooked the fish just right and kept it coming. He later stated that the winning team in this year's contest had to cook the next time. LOL! The price of glory is high folks ;-)

**May Meeting Recap:**

The May ACFA meeting had something for just about everybody and plenty of opportunities to interact with our speakers. Local photographer **Jon Hauge** ad-libbed his visual presentation (due to a technical glitch) into a Question and Answer session covering topics such as when to (and not to) use your camera flash to decrease shadows and highlight your subject better. And the use of photo 'suite' programs for processing photos and enhancing colors and other attributes of the image to get the most out of the pictures you take. And he stressed patience, persistence and anticipation when seeking 'the right shot' especially when photographing wildlife in their natural habitat and activities, and introduced many of us to the "Rule of Thirds". Jon is a well known and respected free-lance photographer who stages weddings, portraits and scene shots. And his work has been published in several area newspapers and magazines. He has posted many fine examples of his craft on our own ACFA website in the "Off Topic" and "Fishing Reports" forums. Additionally, his work can be seen on his website @ [www.jonimages.com](http://www.jonimages.com) Thanks again Jon!

Member **Don Ludlam** (Lud Stud rods) did the 'Quick Hits' segment concentrating on proper rod and reel care. Lately he's seen a lot of damage to rods or guides caused by weighted floats improperly hooked to the rod or 'beating' the against rod in the wind. He also went through his recommended reel washing and care techniques to extend the life and lower maintenance of the reel and rod.

Our main speaker for the evening was Captain **Bo Willis** of Alabama Marine Resources Enforcement Division - Mobile County.

He covered a variety of topics and opened the floor to questions from the audience. Capt Willis stressed the importance of the Salt Water Angler Registry and what it means to the state Marine Resources in getting their fair share of matching (3:1) funds from the Federal government. He also pointed out the departments presence on Facebook and noted the recent changes in creel and size limits on sheepshead and tripletail which took effect May 23, 2012! Captain Willis closed with an appeal to the members to call and ask questions or report violations as soon as they are observed in order to help them do their job more effectively.

If you haven't seen the new plaques (sponsored by Skeeter Boats and Legendary Marine) you are in for a surprise. They are bigger and nicer than what we have been using and at no cost to the club! Being an ACFA member has its 'perks', and we have more this year than ever before. More local and national sponsors too as Frogg Toggs sent us some gift certificates for door prizes and H&H lures. Deer River Bait & Tackle has donated certificates for free live shrimp and boat launches. Tackle This, Shoot That is offering ACFA members a 10% discount VIP rewards card and "a select inventory and competitive pricing" said owner Jay Kretzer. Also it was announced at the meeting that George of George's Water Sports is offering 10% off for all ACFA members there. And Battery Sales & Service @ 3502 Hwy 90 announced it would offer ACFA members a 5% discount on battery purchases.

The picture raffle raised almost \$200 for the club after expenses. It was won by David Thornton. YES! Thank you very much ;-)  
 BTW, the excellent nautical frame was done by Mike Foster's son. He can be reached at (251)263-2220 or (251)680-2227

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“Meet the Angler” will return next month because we finally have our first **Letter to the Editor:**

Why ACFA???

I'm really not a big “joiner” and when I support something I usually do it from the back row, however when I first heard about ACFA I thought it was almost too good to be true. You see hunting and fishing have always been my first loves, but you just can't hunt year 'round. Fishing, on the other hand, allows you to be on the water year-round here on the coast.

The cost for membership in a club of this caliber is so nominal and it seems that our leaders always strive to deliver “maximum bang for your buck.” Even the ‘membership kit’ I received upon joining seemed to say—” Welcome, we're glad to have you as one of our members,”

Where else can you get a shrimp boil as a “Thank You!” for being a member, a big end-of-the-year seafood buffet at the annual Awards Banquet, and great food at every tournament for absolutely no extra expense? And remember your one membership includes your wife and all your children under age 16.

But I digress; inshore fishing is what brought me to ACFA and how ACFA handles that sport is what, I suspect, will keep me in this organization for many years to come. For instance, ACFA not only sponsors 8 monthly tournaments but also has a 'Big Fish' competition for 8 species that runs every day of the year so that anytime you're fishing you are eligible to enter that 'big-un' you may catch.

I'm proud to see our members names on the leaderboards of the numerous tournaments held around the bay each year. That alone tells folks about the caliber of our membership. I also appreciate the fact that within our club we don't fish for money or prizes, but instead we fish first for fun, and secondly, for personal recognition and that it's all done on an “on-your-honor” basis. In my opinion all this speaks very well for ACFA.

It's hard to believe but our club, unlike other fishing organizations, actually strives to help all members become better fishermen and to experience more enjoyment on every fishing trip. The seminars (held before most meetings) and fishing oriented presentations by experts are the focal point of every monthly get-together. Add “Quick Hits” and fishing reports from the membership and others in attendance should gain helpful information for more successful future fishing adventures.

With a membership of around 200 our club consists of licensed charter captains and guides, above average fishermen, average saltwater anglers, and some folks who may be considered novice fishermen. But we all seem to blend together as members of the ACFA and I think that's just great! Acquaintances and friendships made within our club are immeasurable and all I've learned through ACFA couldn't begin to be covered here.

Think about it... Even our give-a-ways are fantastic, as over \$100 worth of 'free stuff' is given away at each meeting and a 'Grand Attendance Prize' worth hundreds of dollars is drawn at year's end for one of our members as a reward for just showing up. Add those 'Membership Refund' drawings awarded each spring and last, but certainly not least, the over 200 plaques and trophies the ACFA presents members throughout the year to recognize their fishing exploits.

And now a question for each of you - - Have you ever taken a moment to consider just what this club is worth to you? If you haven't, you should! And when you do I think you'll be justifiably proud. ACFA is good for each member, good for our gulf coast, and good for the sport of inshore fishing around the Mobile Bay area. If you agree, please read on...

Why won't more of you 'step up' and volunteer to help our club move forward as others have done over our 15 years of existence? What if others hadn't? There are about 15 positions (chairs) of varying degrees of leadership and talents in the ACFA. Some require a little more time and attention than others, but there are some that require less than 2 hours per club year of your time to accomplish. And in this club plenty of help and support from others comes with each position. We will NOT let a chair fail!

I've volunteered because I want ACFA to endure and I suspect you do too. You'll never regret your decision and the experiences you'll have and bonds you'll form will be unforgettable. You might even think about assisting a current chair and that's alright too! No matter what you do, you'll still have that personal satisfaction that comes from contributing to the future continued success of your club.

And lastly, each of us can always help ACFA by attempting to recruit at least one new member every year. How have you done in this respect in 2012? Always carry 2 or 3 ACFA business cards in your wallet and your tackle box (the cards with all those important and helpful telephone numbers on the backside). Don't fail to give a card to a potential member whether on land or while out on the water. I promise you won't regret this. Believe me, there are plenty of fishing folks out there who haven't gotten our ACFA 'message' and can't possibly know what they're missing in the world of inshore saltwater fishing.

THANK YOU past and current ACFA leaders for your dedication to this organization! And now, as it is in every organized group, it's time for our 'next line' to step up. PLEASE consider joining those ranks.

A. Member

**Tournament Point Standings after 3 tournaments:**

**Statistics...** as of May 25, 2012

PI	NAME	TOTAL
1	John Fassbender	17
2	O.P. Harrison	13
3	David Thornton	12
3	Trenny Woodham	12
4	Mike Foster	10
4	Patric Garmeson	10
4	Tim Pierce	10
5	Donald Garrettson	9
5	Doug Tierce	9
5	Taylor Guy (J)	9
6	Erik Nelson	8
7	Chris Pierce	7
7	Rick Tourne'	7

**The following anglers have...**  
**6 points:** Jacob Guy, Jay O'Brien  
**5 points:** Alvin Bell, Bill Perry, Henry Nall, Vicki Foster (L)  
**4 points:** Jeb Mann, Rudy Baugh  
**3 points:** Bob Ward, Brad McDonald, Carson Tierce (J), Eugene Pierce, Joey Gates, Pat Sirmon, Trevor Wood  
**2 points:** Bill Midgette, Danny Finch, Donnie Howell, George Koulianos, John Burke, Kyle Eckhoff, Kyle Mitternacht, Marty Garmeson, Michael Nicholas, Mike Vickery, Phillip Guy, Richard Hoffman Jr, Selene Finch (L), Ted Lawson, Theo Koulianos, Tom Brooks  
**1 point:** Adam Davis (N), Barry Keith, Blake Buxton (N), Bobby McElroy, Bubba Williams, Christian Howell (J), Dan O'Conner, Ed Greer, Gary Tingle, George Harrison, Gerald Hatch (N), Gill Singleton (N), Gregory Robinson, Jonathon Law, Katie Mitternacht (J), Kenneth Alsbrooks (N)(J), Kevin Owens, Kristen Mitternacht (J), Lindsey Hawkins (J), Marcus Lanier, Matthew Mattox (N), Matthew Morgan (J), Paige Hinton (L), Pat Hughes, Richard Beech, Ronnie Dyson, Ryan Hoffman (J), Steve Hawkins, Steve O'Dell, Trevor Harrison (J), Wayne Hawkins

PL	CPR Speckled Trout (in)	
1	George Harrison	27.00
2	Donald Garrettson	26.00
3	Trevor Wood	25.00
4	O.P. Harrison	24.75
5	Jay O'Brien	24.00
6		
7		

**Catch, Photo and Release (CPR) Speckled Trout Contest Standing as of May 25, 2012**

At least the top 5 place CPR Speckled Trout will receive plaques at the end of the year.

Keep in mind that EVERY participation point you earn in each of our 8 club tournaments gives you another chance in our 'PP Drawing' at the end of the year Awards Banquet (held in December).

**Net Man of the Year Point Standings** after three tournaments:

**NOTE:** these point totals are entirely separate from the traditional Tournament Point Standings and have no bearing on the Tournament Points or Master Angler

PI	NAME	TOTAL
1	David Thornton	12
1	O.P. Harrison	12
1	Trenny Woodham	12
2	Chris Pierce	10
2	Donald Garrettson	10
4	Mike Foster	8
4	Mike Vickery	8
4	Phillip Guy	8
5	Alvin Bell	7
5	Doug Tierce	7
5	Rick Tourne'	7
5	Tim Pierce	7
5	Vicki Foster	7
6	Jacob Guy (J)	6
6	John Fassbender	6

**The following anglers have:**

**5 points:** Erik Nelson, Henry Nall, Jay O'Brien, Kyle Mitternacht  
**4 points:** Christian Howell (J), Danny Finch, Michael Nicholas  
**3 points:** Bill Perry, Brad McDonald, Pat Sirmon, Patric Garmeson  
**2 points:** Donnie Howell, Kyle Eckhoff, Richard Hoffman Jr, Ronnie Dyson, Rudy Baugh, Tom Brooks  
**1 point:** Adam Davis (N), Barry Keith, Bill Graves, Bill Midgette, Bob Ward, Bobby McElroy, Bubba Williams, Dan O'Conner, Ed Greer, Gary Tingle, George Harrison, George Koulianos, Gerald Hatch, Gil Singleton, Jeb Mann, Jerry Torrans, Joe Cieutat, John Burke, Kenneth Alsbrooks (J), Kyle Doster, Larry Watkins, Marty Garmeson, Matthew Mattox, Pat Hughes, Ryan Hoffman (J), Skip Hinton, Steve Hawkins, Steve O'Dell, Ted Lawson, Theo Koulianos, Wayne Hawkins

**New: NETMAN (or WOMAN) of the Year Category!**

19. Any ACFA angler at the time of their weighing in a tournament fish who declares the eligible member or dependant who actually netted that fish for them (including themselves) will be awarded the same number of points in a separate category called "Netman of the Year". These points will be tallied and kept for the duration of the tournament season and the angler with the most accumulated "net" points will receive this award during the December Banquet.

**5th Annual UCP Tournament results...**

- Noah Barker 3rd Flounder
- Trenny Woodham 1st White Trout
- Vicki Foster 2nd White Trout
- Trevor Wood 1st Speckled Trout
- Patric Garmeson 3rd Speckled Trout
- Trevor Wood/Doug Tierce/ Carson Tierce 1st Speckled Trout Jackpot
- Rick Tourne'/Donald Garrettson 3rd Speckled Trout Jackpot

**ACFA Members at the UCP Tournament May 5**



***Statistics...***

as of May 25, 2012

**The BIG Fish Contest**Mail your 2012 Big Fish Contest entries to: **David Thornton 31 Hannon Ave. Mobile, AL 36604 ( ph: 251-458-2775)**

Big Fish Contest Standing		25-May-12							
Blackfish	WT	Flounder	WT	Ground Mullet	WT	Redfish	WT		
1		1	George Harrison 3.78	1	John Fassbender 1.90	1	Carson Tierce (J) 6.90		
2		2	Norman Lewellen 3.59	2	David Thornton 1.77	2	Trenny Woodham 6.40		
3		3	O.P. Harrison 3.17	3	David Thornton 1.44	3	Donnie Howell 6.40		
4		4	Marty Garmeson 3.10	4	O.P. Harrison * 1.15	4	O.P. Harrison 6.35		
5		5		5	Tim Pierce 1.15	5	Trenny Woodham 5.55		
6		6		6	Taylor Guy (J) 1.00	6	O.P. Harrison 5.60		
7		7		7		7	Pat Sirmon 5.55		
8		8		8		8	Mike Foster 5.15		
9		9		9		9			
10		10		10		10			
Sheepshead	WT	Spanish Mackerel	WT	Speckled Trout	WT	White Trout	WT		
1	John Fassbender 9.00	1	David Thornton 4.19	1	Patric Garmeson 8.05	1	Bill Midgette 2.54		
2	Henry Nall 8.70	2	David Thornton 3.97	2	Trenny Woodham * 8.00	2	O.P. Harrison 2.48		
3	Bill Perry 7.45	3		3	George Harrison 8.00	3	Marty Garmeson 2.47		
4	Vicki Foster (L) 7.15	4		4	George Harrison 7.78	4	O.P. Harrison 2.00		
5	Alvin Bell 6.65	5		5	O.P. Harrison 7.28	5	Patric Garmeson 1.86		
6	Mike Foster 6.30	6		6	Trevor Wood 7.00	6	Trenny Woodham 1.70		
7	Vicki Foster (L) 6.00	7		7	Trenny Woodham 6.80	7			
8		8		8	Jay O'Brien 6.44	8			
9		9		9		9			
10		10		10		10			

\* First to weigh in (N) New Member (J) Junior Angler (L) Lady Angler

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**ACFA June Meeting Preview**

The Mini-Seminar will consist of a Q&A session comparing and contrasting the fishing styles of Pat Garmeson and O.P. Harrison. Our main speaker for the evening will be Donald Garrettson who will discuss various summer fishing styles and tips for specks, redfish and possibly blackfish (IF his buddy Rick will let him ;-)) We expect a lively discussion with plenty of slang and metaphors! There should be a representative from the Stormin Norman Inshore Challenge present to talk about the tournament and answer any questions you may have. There are several upcoming tournaments in June so check out the details on page 6. Also Bill Chapman of Coastal Angler Magazine should be at the meeting with copies of the FREE monthly magazine and some other 'goodies'. The Alabama Gulf Coast edition features local guides and anglers fishing forecasts for the month. Check it out! The raffle for this month is a Pflueger Echelon LP (low profile) baitcasting reel on a 7'2" All Star ASR 865C Redfish rod. The combo is at least valued at \$125, but it can be yours for the cost of a raffle ticket of \$1. Special this month, 5 tickets for \$5 ;-)) See Joey Gates at the meeting to purchase your tickets. And good luck! Thanks again Joey for finding these nice items each month!

**ACFA June Tournament Preview**

The ACFA June "Summer Starter" Tournament will be held Saturday June 9, and the weigh in will again be from 3-5pm at the American Legion Post 200 on DIP (Hwy 193) near the Greer's Food Tiger store. We will be fishing for points, plaques (as well as trophies for the Junior anglers) in 5 species! Speckled Trout, Redfish, Flounder, Spanish Mackerel and Ground Mullet are on tap. Vince Hawkins is tentatively planning to have plenty of red beans and rice on the menu, so bring your 'hungry' and your fish!

Be sure and check out the info on the next page about the Yellow Jacket Open Fishing Tournament that will run concurrently...

**Other Tournaments in June**

The 15th annual Yellow Jacket Open Fishing Tournament will be held on Saturday June 9, the same day as our ACFA tournament. The weigh in for that is at the Dauphin Island Marina from 1-5pm so there is plenty of time to go to both especially if you fish the island that day. Call 251-445-2934 for more information about the tournament, but tickets are \$25 for adults and \$15 for Junior angler (age 12 and under). There is also a 'Speckled Trout Jackpot' for an additional \$25 per boat and everyone fishing in the boat MUST have a regular tournament ticket. Tickets can be purchased at the Dauphin Island Marina office, Ben Buerger's Ship and Shore on Dauphin Island, McCoy Outdoor and at McGill-Toolen Highschool in Mobile. The Adult and Junior anglers will each be fishing in 5 inshore categories (Speckled Trout, White Trout, Flounder, Sheephead and Spanish Mackerel) and 5 offshore categories (Red Snapper, King Mackerel, Cobia, Bonita and Triggerfish). In addition to the nice prize packages they usually offer there will also be cash prizes for the Speckled Trout jackpot, mystery fish, master angler, lady angler and junior angler.

On the following Saturday (June 16) there will be THREE open tournaments (simultaneously) two at the Dauphin Island Marina. The 10th Annual Mystic Stripers Rodeo will offer enhanced \$500 cash prizes for their King Mackerel and Speckled Trout jackpots in addition to \$250 for the heaviest Blackfish. The rodeo has 16 categories and will award prizes for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place in each. Regular rodeo tickets are \$25 and jackpot tickets are an additional \$25 per boat, and everyone on the boat is required to have a regular ticket. Ticket outlets include Ship & Shore on Dauphin Island, Jemison's Bait & Tackle and Cedar Point Pier, Greer's Food Tiger near Fowl River, Southern Bama Bait & Tackle on DIP in Mobile, West Marine on Hwy 90 and the Royal Knight. For more information call (251)689-7057 or (251)422-2534 or go to [www.mssrodeo.com](http://www.mssrodeo.com)

The Annual Kyser Miree Memorial Fishing Tournament benefiting the Rotaract Club of the Mobile area will also be held that day. The Rotaract Club will contribute a big portion of the proceeds to the Kyser Miree Memorial Scholarship Fund (Kyser was a member of that club, who you may recall was tragically murdered two years ago in his midtown home in Mobile). The all-day fishing event has a \$30 registration fee and offers prizes in 1st, 2nd and 3rd place in Red Snapper, King Mackerel, Speckled Trout and Flounder, and a "Most Unusual" fish to be determined by the judges at the weigh in. More information @ [www.rotaractmobile.org](http://www.rotaractmobile.org)

Running concurrently on Saturday June 16 is the Stormin Norman Inshore Challenge. Weigh in will be at the American Legion in Fairhope (1 mile south of the Fairhope Pier) and runs from 12-3pm. Category species are Adult and Junior Speckled Trout, Redfish (slot), Tripletail and Flounder. Tickets are \$20 per angler with an optional \$10 'Lunker' fee for each species. Tickets are available @ West Marine (on Airport Blvd in Mobile) and Fisherman's Discount (on Hwy 98 south of Fairhope). <http://www.storminnorman.org/store>

And the following Saturday June 23 will be the date of the second in the Alabama Inshore Championship Tournament Trail which several ACFA teams and members are competing. The weigh in site has been changed to the Blue Gill on the Causeway according to their Facebook page.

If you have pictures or reports of ACFA members participating in any tournaments please post them on the website or email them to me at [pierpounder2001@hotmail.com](mailto:pierpounder2001@hotmail.com)

**ACFA Members In Other Tournaments**

**Home Builders Association**  
Friday April 27, 2012



← Left: Jay O'Brien and Doug Tierce display their winning team creel. 5 speckled trout @ almost 25 pounds!



→ Right: Trevor Wood had the 'lunker' speck of the tourney @ 8.15 lbs. Trevor's fishing partner Rick Tourne gives a smile of approval over Trevor's shoulder :-)

**Alabama Inshore Championship Fishing Tournament Trail**



George Harrison holds the 7.78-pound speckled trout that earned him and partner O.P. Harrison lunker honors for the Alabama Inshore Championship Tournament Trail event on April 21.

**Christ The King Inshore Classic Fishing Tournament**  
Saturday May 19, 2012



← From left to right: Adam Barker with 2nd place white trout, (front) Noah Barker with his 4.5# speck, Donald Garrettson 4.8# speckled trout, Rick Tourne 5.90# 1st place speck, Doug Tierce 5.27# speckled trout, Trey Pitts 2.60# 2nd place flounder.

Congratulations guys!

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