

# The Marlin Bill

April 2009

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## A Message from the President

*By Franky Pettolina*

Spring has sprung- at least a little bit. While March certainly did not go out like a lamb, the first few days of April have been a little better. And the best days are still ahead of us.

I would like to officially welcome Mike Johnston to the club as our Food Service Manager. Mike is a heck of a nice guy who has a passion for his work. He comes to us highly recommended and I look forward to working with him at the club. Oh, and by the way, he loves to fish!!

Along those same lines I would like to, again, thank Chief for all of his hard work over the past few months. Also, I would like to wish him the best in his new endeavors with Mickey Fins. Please be sure to stop by and see him there.

Ladies' night on Wednesdays seems to have been a big hit. I have not had a chance to come by in my skirt and wig to take advantage of the half off drinks yet, but all of the feedback I

have been hearing is really positive. And yes we will be carrying Ladies' night all through the year.

The next BOD meeting will be held on May the 8<sup>th</sup>. Following the BOD meeting we will be having a general membership meeting at the Club at 7:30. The Directors and Officers will be there to answer questions and provide some insight to what is happening "behind the scenes" so to speak. I look forward to seeing you there.

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*Jumping striped marlin released by the "Huntress" with Capt Mike Bulkley fishing out of Zihuatanejo, Mexico.*

I received a phone call from Capt. Butch Davis of the *Cerveza* the other day. Excitement rang in his voice. He was

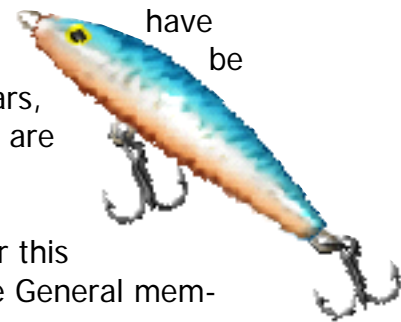
***A General Membership Meeting will be held at the Clubhouse on Friday, May 8th at 7:30 PM. The Directors and Officers will be there to answer your questions.***

home taking a break from his winter fishing home of Los Suenos in Costa Rica. Prior to his homecoming he had the opportunity to fish on a sea mount that is roughly 140ish miles from the marina. Capt. Butch, with Jon Meade running the cockpit, accomplished something that has only been done a handful of times in the history of sportfishing.

They captured a quadruple grand slam. I believe their tally included 4 blue marlin 11 striped marlin and 11 sails in a single day. That is just plain amazing. Double digits on two species and a quad slam, WOW!! My only regret is that I

wasn't fishing near him to hear the excitement over the radio. The crew of the *Cerveza* is world class, no doubt about it. Congratulations guys. When any of you see Butch around this summer, ask him about putting a lifejacket on a rod and reel and tossing it overboard too. I won't do it justice writing about it here, you have to hear it straight from Butch.

The Nautical Flea market is scheduled for May the 9<sup>th</sup> (see page 4) to be held under the club house. There have been some great deals to be had over the past few years, so plan to attend. Tables are still available.



That about wraps it up for this month. See you all at the General membership meeting.

*Franky*



*Sailfish released by the "Huntress" with Capt Mike Bulkley fishing out of Zihuatanejo, Mexico.*





Photo compliments of Franky Pettolina.



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## Eastern Shore Dinner

*Launch into summer with the Season Opening Party*

**Saturday, May 2nd**

**\$30.00 per person**

**Guests of Honor: Mac Simpson and Darrell Nottingham**

**Fried Oysters, Crab Cakes, Fried Chicken & Much More  
(All your Eastern Shore Favorites!)**

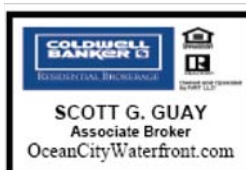
**Live Music with DJ**

**6:30 Appetizers and Complimentary Cocktail**

**7:00 Dig In - Dinner is served**

**An assortment of delicious desserts to follow**

**Warning to Procrastinators!** This is always a sell out, so call for your pre-paid reservations early: 410.213.1613 Monday through Friday between 8 AM & 2 PM. Visa, MasterCard and Discover accepted.





## 4<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL NAUTICAL FLEA MARKET

It's that time of year – pull out all that fishing and nautical related stuff you have laying around and get some money for it!!!

Sell it at the 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Nautical Flea Market at the Ocean City Marlin Club on Saturday May 9th from 8 till noon.

You can rent a space under the club for \$20 and set-up one of your tables, throw out a couple of blankets or just put your stuff in some boxes or on the ground.

One man's trash is another man's treasure so start clearing out your boats, sheds, trucks, trunks, attics, etc. and sell it at the flea market. You don't have to be a club member to rent a space.

For more information or to reserve a space call 410-208-4510 – ask for Mark or Tami



Ladies' Night  
Every Wednesday is  
Ladies' Night at the Club

50% off drinks all night long

A Featured Entrée Salad Each Week for only \$4.95.



Hild's Marine Service





**30TH ANNUAL SMALL BOAT TOURNAMENT**  
Open to all boats 34 feet and under  
June 19 – 21  
Registration and Captain's meeting:  
June 19th

Fish 1 of 2:  
June 20th or 21st  
Awards Banquet:  
June 21st

**27th ANNUAL CANYON KICK-OFF**

July 2 – 5  
Registration and Captains Meeting:  
July 2nd  
Fish 2 of 3 : July 3rd, 4th & 5th  
Awards Banquet: July 5th

**5th ANNUAL KIDS CLASSIC FISHING TOURNAMENT**

Benefiting WISH-A-FISH Foundation, Inc.  
July 17-19  
Open to all anglers age 19 and under  
Every angler receives an award  
Registration: July 17th  
Fish 1 or 2: July 18th – 19th  
Awards and Carnival July 19th

**FIRST ANNUAL OCMC LADIES TOURNAMENT**

July 30 – August 1  
Registration and Captain's Meeting: July 30th  
Fish 1 of 2: July 31st – August 1st  
Awards Banquet: August 1st

**51st ANNUAL LABOR DAY WHITE MARLIN TOURNAMENT**

September 3-6  
Registration & Captain's meeting: 9/3  
Fish 2 of 3: September 4th – 6th  
Awards Banquet: September 6th

**31st ANNUAL CHALLENGE CUP TOURNAMENT**

Open to members of the Cape May Marlin & Tuna Club and the Ocean City Marlin Club  
September 17 – 19  
Registration & Captain's Meeting:  
September 17th  
Fish 2 of 2:  
September 18th & 19th  
Awards Banquet:  
September 19th



Photo compliments of Franky Pettolina.





**A Special Day in Maryland History**  
**Saturday, June 6th**  
**10 AM – 1 PM**

Catherin Charles Kratz Memorial Foundation and Scholarship Fund with the 101st Airborne Division, the only one to get a presidential citation in history, will have members present at a special day in Maryland history. This event will be at the historical memorial park at David Ridge Cemetery at 7900 Park Heights Ave. in Baltimore, Maryland. Located right off of the beltway – exit 21, the site has plenty of free parking.

- ◆ Guest of Honor, ex-Marine Colonel Senator John C. Astle
- ◆ Free food, drinks and souvenirs will be provided and children are encouraged to participate.
- ◆ Honor Guard will be the Young Marines
- ◆ The Mooring Army Aviation Support Facility of Aberdeen, MD will be flying a combat Black Hawk helicopter.
- ◆ Meet the troopers that are keeping our freedom today.

The invasion of Europe that saved world freedom was June 6th, 1944 and was called D-Day. D-Day is honored each year on June 6th to commemorate those veterans who fought so valiantly. The 101st stands as the Army's and world's only air assault division with unequalled strategic and tactical mobility.

**OPEN TO THE PUBLIC**

*Time:*  
Noon – 4:00 PM

**Annual Jewelry Show**

*Thursday, August 6th*

**At the Ocean City**

**Marlin Club**

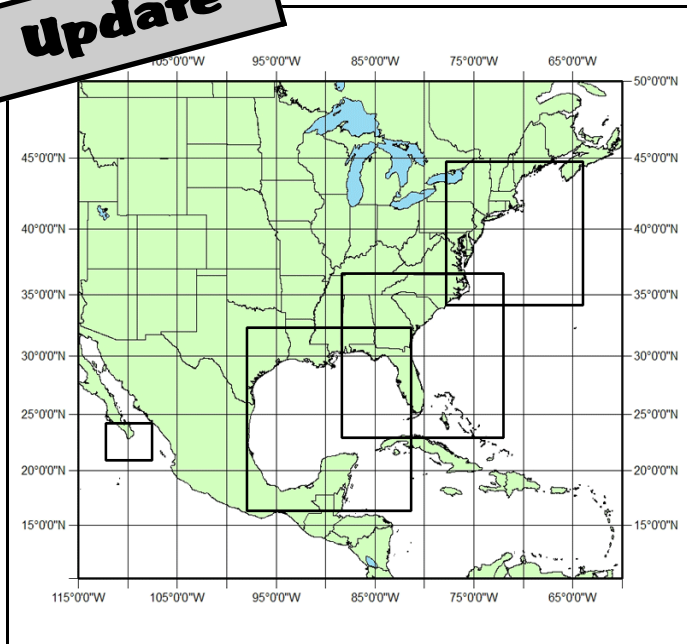
Come and enjoy a spectacular array of fine jewelry, sterling silver, sea glass, & fashion accessories.

**\$5 Admission Includes:**  
 Complimentary glass of wine, beer or cola  
 Proceeds to benefit the Bertha Holloway Scholarship Fund for Stephen Decatur High School Students

Looking for More Details??  
 Call 410-213-0477 or 410.213.7663 or email donovanstitch@yahoo.com.

**Captain Ron Callis hard at work on the Sea Wolf. Sent in compliments of Dennis Meinhart.**

**Update**



**Roffer's Offers  
50% Club Discount**

Roffer's Ocean Fishing Forecasting Service, Inc. would like to offer the members of the Ocean City Marlin Club a 50 % club discount for seasonal plans for 2009. For the club to qualify a minimum of 15 members will need to sign up for seasonal pre-paid plans. We currently have 10 members signed up (paid), and 3 interested of the 15 members needed to qualify for the club discount. The Club Plan Discounts are 50% off regular season prices. (Excluding the unlimited plan which has no discount and would be \$2000.00) This club discount is available for all club members and requires at least 15 members. Pre-paid plans can be mixed and matched.

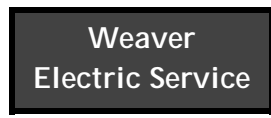
- 36 Analyses Plan: \$760 (Regular \$1520 for Season)
- 25 Analyses Plan: \$580 (Regular \$1160 for Season)
- 16 Analyses Plan: \$456 (Regular \$912 for Season)
- 12 Analyses Plan: \$360 (Regular \$720 for Season)

These seasonal plans are for the 2009 fishing season and can be used from March 1,2009 - November 30,2009. If you have any questions please email fish7@roffs.com or call 1-800-677-7633. You can also visit the website at www.roffs.com.



**SEND IN YOUR FISHING PICS AND GET THEM IN THE MARLIN BILL THE OC MARLIN CLUB SENDS THIS NEWSLETTER TO OVER 900 HOUSEHOLDS. IT IS A GREAT WAY TO SHOW A LOT OF PEOPLE WHAT YOU'VE CAUGHT!**

**EMAIL SUBMISSIONS TO:  
info@ocmarlinclub.com**



Happy Easter  
& Passover

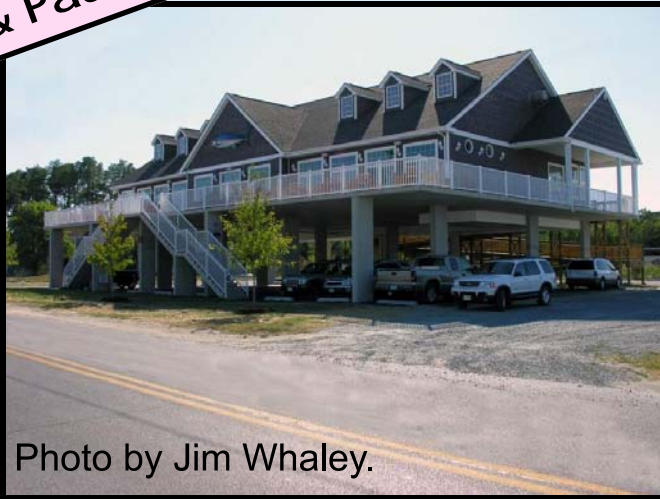


Photo by Jim Whaley.

CLUBHOUSE HOURS  
Wednesday – Sunday  
Bar Opens at 3:00  
Food Service begins at 4:00

OFFICE HOURS  
Monday – Friday  
8:00 AM – 2:00 PM



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