

## Northern Neck Anglers Club

### December 2015 Newsletter

([www.northernneckanglersclub.wordpress.com](http://www.northernneckanglersclub.wordpress.com)).

The club's 2015 fishing season has ended and the final tournament and Angler of the Year (AOY) results have been posted on the club's website. The AOY competition this year was close once again as the winner wasn't decided until the final tournament. Congratulations to Jay Straughan of Lottsburg, the 2015 NNAC Angler of the Year. The top six AOY placings follow:

1 <sup>st</sup>	Jay Straughan	18 points
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Scott Houghtaling	15 points*
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Jan Jamrog	15 points*
4 <sup>th</sup>	Tom Smith	14 points
5 <sup>th</sup>	Stuart McKenzie	13 points*
6 <sup>th</sup>	Scott Gregg	13 points*

\* points tie breaker determined by number of 2015 first place tournament finishes

The Board of Directors met Friday December 4 to plan for the coming year. The year 2016 will bring six member tournaments from May through November and member meetings in April, June, August and October.

The last member fishing tournament of 2015, the Bonus Rockfish Tournament, was held on Saturday November 28 and Sunday November 29. Members found fair weather and calm seas over the weekend. Results are set forth below:

1<sup>st</sup> – Mark Roy (13lb 7oz) 2<sup>nd</sup> – Jimmy Morgan (12lb 6oz)  
3<sup>rd</sup> – Jim Shimchick (12lb 2oz) 4<sup>th</sup> – Jan Jamrog (10lb\*)  
5<sup>th</sup> – Scott Houghtaling (10lb\*) 6<sup>th</sup> – Evan Gregg (8lb 4oz\*)  
7<sup>th</sup> – Tom Smith (8lb 4oz\*) 8<sup>th</sup> – Scott Gregg (6lb 8oz)  
9<sup>th</sup> – Tom Hedgpeth (5lb 4oz) 10<sup>th</sup> – Steve Hedgpeth (4lb 8oz)  
11<sup>th</sup> – Jay Straughan (3lb 4oz)

\* Tie breakers (by weight) are determined by the earliest weigh-in time.

The Best of Species competition for the year has also been concluded and posted on the club website, with John Elkin's 37lb rockfish (club record 4<sup>th</sup> largest) during the May Trophy Rockfish Tournament highlighting the list. Winners for the other tournament species were Tom Hedgpeth (bluefish – 2lb 2oz), Jeff Griffin (croaker – 12oz), Scott Gregg (flounder – 2lb 10oz), Tom Smith (spanish mackerel 2lb 4oz) and Stuart McKenzie (spot – 12oz). All awards were based on tournament results with no citation fish reported by club members during the tournament season. There were no tournament entries for speckled trout. Congratulations to the winners, each of whom will receive a plaque from the club.

The club elects Officers (President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer) and Directors (3) annually in December for the coming year (2016). The current Officers and Directors have each volunteered to run for re-election. Ballots have been e-mailed to those who receive club communications electronically. A ballot is attached to this newsletter for those members who receive club communications by regular mail. Instructions are set forth on the ballot, including how to vote for a member not listed on the ballot. Please complete the ballot and return by e-mail to [joconnor47@aol.com](mailto:joconnor47@aol.com) or by mail to the club post office address (NNAC P.O. Box 294, White Stone VA 22578)

Remember to thank and patronize those businesses that have sponsored club tournaments and awards during 2015 and the marinas and weigh-in locations that support the club's monthly tournaments. Our success as a club is dependent upon this support.

In closing, I would like to wish each of you a wonderful holiday season and a joyous and prosperous new year in 2016.

Tight lines !!

John O'Connor  
NNAC President