

Northern Neck Anglers Club

February 2016 Newsletter

(www.northernneckanglersclub.wordpress.com)

Greetings from Florida. Fortunately, we left Northern Virginia in January, just days ahead of the record winter snow storm, and have settled in here until April. Weather here has been chilly and windy by Florida standards so not boating and fishing so far. I am not complaining. That should change in the near future and we will again be boating and fishing in the Gulf of Mexico.

February is a month that starts members thinking about the end of winter weather and the upcoming boating and fishing season. The Super Bowl is over and the focus now shifts to getting tackle and lures ready for fishing Chesapeake Bay and its tributaries. Before long, the boats will be coming out of winter storage and back into the water.

Dues for 2016 are now being collected and are due by March 31. The membership renewal form was included with last month's newsletter and is available at the club's website. Now is a good time to recruit family members, friends and neighbors to join the club. The club's expenses are funded through member dues. Sponsors contribute to the gift certificates awarded to the first and second place finishers for each species targeted during member fishing tournaments during the year. The club's success depends upon a strong membership base and the support of sponsors and participating marinas. Remember to patronize and thank sponsors and marinas throughout the year.

The NNAC has been a member of the Boat U.S. Cooperating Group Program since 2012. Under this program, NNAC members who are or become Boat U.S. members are entitled to a discount on the annual \$30 Boat U.S. membership fee – the fee is discounted to \$15 for NNAC members. To receive the discount, an NNAC member needs only to enter the club's Cooperating Group ID Number on the initial or renewal membership form. The Cooperating Group ID Number can be found in the NNAC Members Only section of the club's website.

Tight lines !!

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