

OUTDOORS

New DNR croaker rules allow us 20 keepers per day

By **DON CARPENTER**
For The Capital

New croaker regulations by the Department of Natural Resources will permit sportfishermen to catch and keep up to 20 per day — as long as they measure nine or more inches.

Commercial men can only keep croakers measuring at least 10 inches. Thank you DNR!

Adults may fish without a license on June 5, 12 and July 4 during DNR's Free Fishing Days in Maryland. But all fishing regulations must be observed.

Rental boats at Quade's Store on the Potomac River at the mouth of the Wicomico made a killing last week.

On the oyster bars in the river, Holloman and Bill Dement last Thursday took home 22 white perch and two yellow Neds all over nine inches. They caught hundreds of perch, but culled them to a 9-inch minimum using bloodworms and peeler crab baits.

Rental boats also caught some big catfish and croakers.

With less than a week remaining in our special spring rockfish season, some of the best areas to try are: Cove Point, The Gooses, C&R Buoy, The Hill and Gum Thickets.

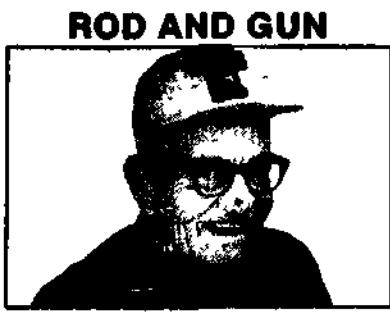
Trollers are using large, green and white spoons or bucktails tipped with artificial lures.

Good catches of white perch and catfish were reported last week in the Magothy and Patapsco Rivers, Hart and Miller Island, also Susquehanna, Chester and Corsica Rivers.

The perch biting on bloodworms, grass shrimp, nightcrawlers and clam snouts; the catfish cut fish baits and chicken livers in rivers.

In the tidal Potomac River: Arkandale Flats, Smoot Bay, Nanjemoy Creek and the mouth of Mattawoman Creek, good numbers of 12- to 15-inch large-mouth bass and a few 3- to 6-pound bass have been taking crawfish imitation crankbaits and black and blue artificial worms presented over the grass beds have worked well.

On May 15 Marty Hullihen of Glen Burnie set a state record for walleye with a 30-inch, 11-pound, 6-ounce at Deep Creek Lake.



ROD AND GUN

By **DON CARPENTER**

Winner of The Tackle Box surf casting rod and reel prize for landing the first surf bluefish was Ben Nolan of Great Mills who beached a 15-pound 12-ounce chopper at the Point Lookout State Park Beach on a hunk of cut bait.

St. Mary's County trollers and chummers last week took home few three-foot striped bass but did throw back many under-sized rockfish weighing about 10 pounds each.

Tasty spot have arrived in the bay at Tangier and Pocomoke Sounds, along with croaker and weakfish. Some speckled trout catches have been made along the marsh banks in 3 to 5 feet of water. And with peeler crab baits available, bottom fishing is good.

Keith Walters, author of Chesapeake Strippers, a book about rockfishing, caught a weather balloon package while trolling for trophy strippers in the Chesapeake Bay near the C/R buoy recently.

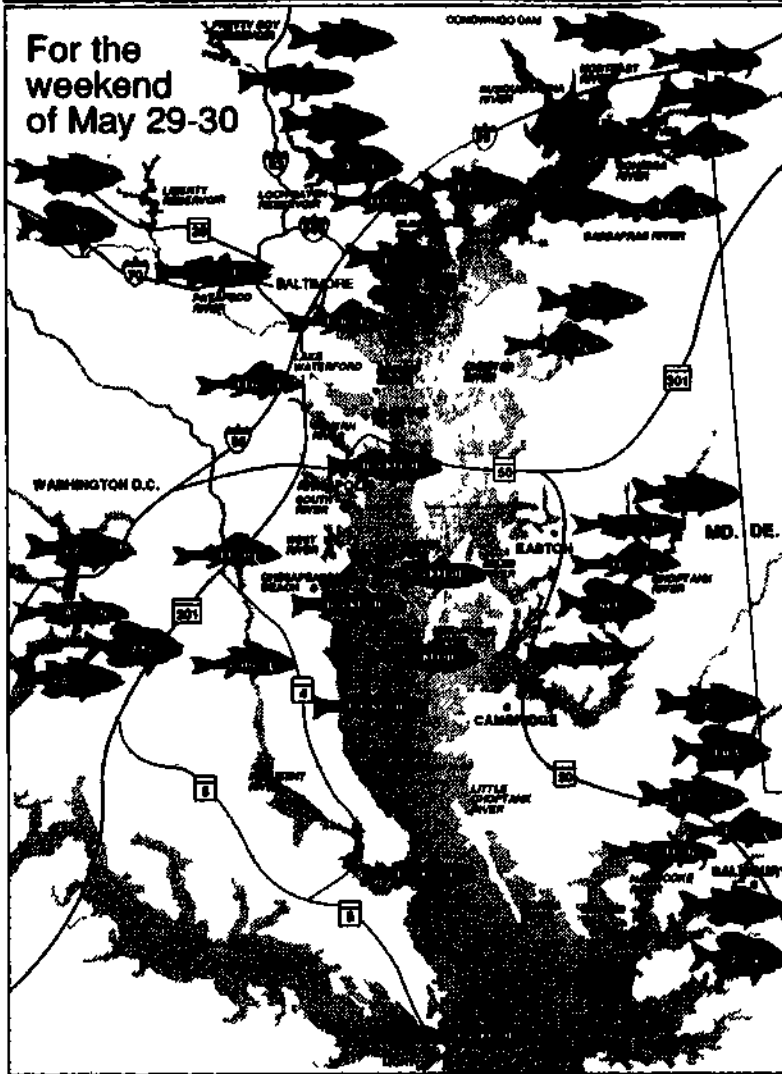
"I recently recognized the white carton as a Radiosonde package with its orange parachute," Walters said, "because I once photographed a story on weather balloons for the National Weather Service."

Radiosonde balloon releases amount to 200 each day nationwide. They gather information about weather, which the balloon then bursts back to earth. The balloon then bursts in the upper atmosphere, and the scientific package parachutes back to earth, often landing in farm fields or large bodies of water.

"We didn't catch a single rockfish," Walters said.

BAY FISHING GUIDE

For the weekend of May 29-30



Holiday means fishing is about to kick into gear

By **TOM GOODSPEED**
Capital Outdoors Writer

Historically, the Memorial Day weekend always has been just about the peak time for fishing — anywhere, on the sweet or the salt.

The BIG red drum are now in the surf of the barrier islands on the lower Eastern Shore, the black drum are in the Cabbage Patch off of Cape Charles, the bluefish are beginning to invade the Chesapeake Bay and the spring run of crappie will produce the lunkers of the year.

It's still a bit early for the flounder in the Chesapeake but they could appear momentarily down behind Ocean City I was fishing the South Jetty at O.C. last Thursday evening (launching at West Ocean City), casting bucktails to six-pound blues that the birds had marked for us and the evening was great.

Down at Crisfield, the big red drum will be taken as they move into the shallows to feed on the flooding tide and

GOODSPEED'S FORECAST

most grassy points down there can be good. I like both Fox Island south of town and Kedges Strait north of town.

The sea trout have also appeared at Kedges but it is the speckled trout that I flip over. The spawning run is on and a piece of soft crab soaked in the mouth of one of the many tidal creeks along the bay's eastern shoreline can produce

The season closes Monday for the spring trophy rockfish and not too many fish above 36 to 38 were taken.

At least it looks good for the future. A sleeper in the bay this spring might be some lunker cobia taken by live eels or trolled spoons down around the Virginia line Onancock probably would be the best launch site.

Finally, the fresh water fishery is in fair shape despite all the rains last week and a lot of run-off could clear the waters by this weekend.

RUNNING

Get in stride as a beginning runner

It's never too late to learn. Or so more than 20 men and women are learning through the Annapolis Striders' Beginning Running Program.

The program drew a record 37 people to its first meeting on May 11 at the Bates Track in Annapolis. And about 20 people — mostly women — have continued with the program, now in its third week.

"So far, so good," said director Evan Thomas, himself a veteran runner. "Some of them are coming along and some have difficulty making it. We'll see."

Already, several other veterans have joined the group during their thrice-weekly sessions to talk about shoes, proper clothing, nutrition and "the older athlete."

Anyone is welcome to join — the runners are up to 2 minutes of continuous running, followed by 1 minute of walking, for 20 minutes.

The group meets at the Bates Track (the old Annapolis High School) on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 6 p.m. and Saturdays at 10 a.m. A donation of 50 cents per session is requested to cover the cost of hand outs and the track cleanup.

Bello Machre has announced a new run to benefit the organization dedicated to helping the mentally retarded.

In conjunction with their annual walk-a-thon, the nonprofit Bello Machre will also hold a 5K Run on June 12, beginning at 7:30 a.m. The race will start and end at Harundale Mall and will run along the B&A Trail.

Awards will be given to the overall male and female winners, as well as the first two finishers in the following age groups: 15 & under; 16 to 19; 20 to 29; 30 to 39; 40 to 49; and 50 & over.

All entrants will receive a T-shirt.

The registration fee before June 1 is \$10; \$15 on race day, with race day registration beginning at 6:45 a.m. Applications can be obtained by writing to Bello Machre, P.O. Box 969, Glen Burnie, MD 21060 or by calling event coordinator Cheryl Moore at 255-3805 or race director Pam Thompson at 636-8373.

Speaking of applications, better get yours in for the Annapolis 10-Mile Run, to be held on Sunday, August 29, at 7:50 a.m. The course runs through downtown Annapolis, the Naval Academy, across the Old Severn River Bridge and back to the U.S. Navy-Marine Corps Memorial Stadium.

The field is limited to 3,500 runners and generally fills up very quickly. The fee is \$15 if postmarked by June 30; \$20

RUNNING



By **GABRIELLE DeGROOT**

if postmarked by August 1. Applications can be picked up at the Athlete's Foot in the Annapolis Mall or at Merritt Athletic Club. Or call race director Sue Briers at 721-1442 or the Annapolis Striders hotline at 268-1165.

For those of you who have been collecting Annapolis Run premiums over the years, you'll be pleased to note that this year's premium is a nylon sports bag, with zippered pockets and even an inner shoe pocket. I've seen them and you won't want to miss getting one of your own.

RACE RESULTS

Commuterline Classic 10K Race, May 23
Sue Briers, 42:53; Meredith Bonta, 44:08; Sean Sweeney, 44:15; Evan Thomas, 44:37; Ben Moore, 46:15; Tom Prandki, 38:04; Bill Heima, 43:58; Linda Simpson, 52:25; Doug Custer, 43:28; Kitty Good, 45:05; Dave Wall, 38:28; David Webster, 33:28; Nancy Mann, 49:45; Alan Wycherley, 50:06; Fred Shanklin, 39:12; Jim Carter, 46:54; Joan Foreman, 55:54; Roy Elder, 40:20; Francisco Sanchez, 37:09; Nancy Hana, 54:53; Kevin Murrane, 54:59; Mark Chaput, 46:00; Neal Hinkle, 45:31; Cibi Hinden, 44:06; Tom McKee, 49:25; Esther Weisman, 52:42; Jim Noodin, 42:13

Baltimore Road Runners 5K, May 24
Matt Maco, 28:32; Rose Malloy, 31:42; Evan Thomas 34:58; John Strunski, 40-plus

Harundale Classic 30K, May 22
Ed Klobe 40:45, 1st master's runner, 4th overall

UPCOMING RACES

May 29 — Chestertown Tea Party 10K, 8 a.m., Mary Stetson Chestertown Bank, 213 High St., Chestertown, MD 21620

June 5 — Key to the City 10K, 8:30 a.m., Washington, DC 200-288-0888

June 6 — State of Israel 45th Anniversary 5K Run, Baltimore 410-882-6465

June 12 — Bello Machre 5K Benefit Run, 7:30 a.m., Harundale Mall, Glen Burnie 255-3805 or race director Pam Thompson 636-8373

June 13 — Junior Striders Track Series, 6 p.m., Bates Track, Annapolis Scott Eden, 263-5117

June 13 — Crofton Kiwanis 10K Challenge, 8 a.m., Crofton Country Club 721-3390 or (301)859-0454

June 17 — IM and 4M Summer Fun Run Series 6 p.m. Bates Track Annapolis 268-1165

June 20 — Father's Day 10K, 8 a.m., Loch Haven Recreation Area, Edgewater, 268-1165

July 10 — John Wall Memorial 1M Track Race, 6:30 p.m., Bates Track Annapolis 268-1165

July 17 — Women's Distance Festival 5K and Run After the Women 5K, 8 and 9 a.m., West Annapolis Elementary School Part Bember 263-2274

August 8 — Dog Days of Summer 5K, 9 a.m., Anne Arundel Community College Earl Scott, 268-6013

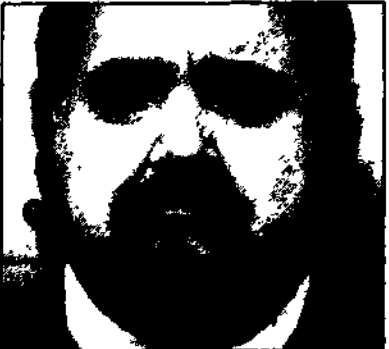
Fun Run — Every Wednesday at 6 p.m. at Anne Arundel Community College track in Arnold Earl Scott 269-5013

Marathon Training Run — Saturdays at 7 a.m. behind the Conte building on Route 450 and Sundays at 7:30 a.m. at Memorial Circle in downtown Annapolis

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