

OUTDOORS

Safety must come first for hunters

By DON CARPENTER
For The Capital
First time hunters in Maryland must complete a hunter safety course before they can buy a hunting license. The course is free, with registration now being taken for classes on Sept. 13, 15, 18. The classes will be held at the Three Rivers Sportsmen Club in Harwood. For more information contact

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Buddy Abner, P.O. Box 219, Harwood, Md., 20776 or phone him at (410) 987-0107.

This course has saved many lives. Hunter safety course classes will also be held: Sept. 14, 16, 19; Oct. 5, 7, 8, 19, 21, 23 and Nov. 2, 4 and 6 at the Anne Arundel Fish & Game Association. To register call Tom Carpenter 757-1945.

The Marlin Firearms Co. of 100 Kenna Drive, Northaven, Conn., 06473-0903, which has been making firearms since 1870, has now created a new gun safety lock system for rifles, shotguns and handguns. The system utilizes a combination lock.

In general, fishing prospects for the Labor Day holidays look good. Offshore, deep-sea canyon trolling is still good for billfish, dolphin and wahoo or shark into October, while the surf offers a variety of fish.

At the mouth of the Chesapeake Bay some hefty amberjack will hit live spot baits around the ship buoys and big cobia also like the area around navigational buoys, where live eel bait will take them.

Literally millions of fish use the mouth of the bay as a funnel to go out to or return from the Atlantic Ocean so it is really a good place to find fish or many varieties and sizes.

Amberjack to 60 or more pounds hit around the Chesapeake Tower in the mouth of the bay. The other hot spots are the Bridge-Tunnel islands and the bridge fishing pier, famous for large striped bass in the fall months, along with big tautog.

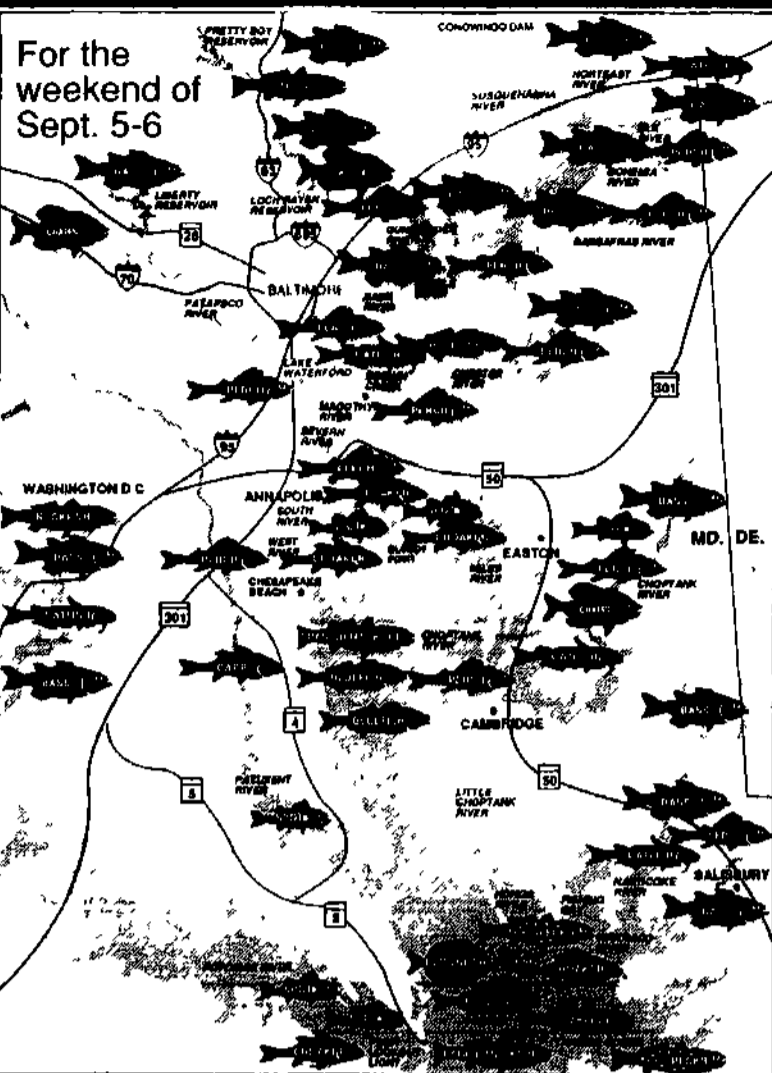
Point Lookout at the mouth of the Potomac River offers a wide variety of game fish from the pier, beach or a boat. It is close to the Middle-grounds, a popular trolling and chumming Mecca for bluefish, rockfish, seatrout, hardheads and Spanish mackerel.

Cove Point at the mouth of the Patuxent River offers excellent bottom fishing and trolling with really good weakfish found near the Power Plant for really large weakies.

Stone Rock and the Sharps Island Light area offer late season bluefish catches near the mouth of the Choptank.

BAY FISHING GUIDE

For the weekend of Sept. 5-6



Soak up bottom angling while action is still hot

By TOM GOODSPEED
Capital Outdoors Writer
Bottom fishing — soaking a piece of fresh bait in your favorite fishing hole — seems to have been the best action in the bay this past summer. And as we go into the early days of autumn, with the sweltering heat and humidity of July back with us again, bottom fishing is still the way to go.

It's the abundance of Norfolk spot and hardhead (golden croaker) in the bay that makes for the fine fishing and they can be found from the bay bridge south into Virginia waters.

Surprisingly, it's not the weakies nor the specks that are exciting the fishermen; there's not too many of either trout in the bay this summer.

Traditionally, the croaker has not been in abundance at all in recent years. More an occasional catch, the croaker is then usually too small to be legally kept for the table, with ten inches being the minimum.

Back before World War II, I understand the croaker was the bread-and-butter fish in the bay, growing to 4 or 5 pounds and there being enough to more than satisfy everyone.

I remember catching these huge croakers from the Jersey surf as a

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youngster back then so they must have been plentiful all along the mid-Atlantic coast. Shrimp was our prime bait in those days and as recently as 15 years ago we caught these big 4- to 6-pound croakers for several summers running in the surf of Assateague Island, using fresh shrimp as bait.

Today, I'd work the lower Potomac for both spot and croakers, with Coles Point, Sandy Point and Ragged Point — all on the Virginia shoreline — being the hot spots. The boats out of Point Lookout are also working the waters close to home and as far out as the Middle Grounds.

On the far side of the bay, Honga River and the Hooper Straits are hot as is Tangier Sound and the Holland Strait water, with most boats coming out of Crisfield.

Close to home, it's Sharps Island, of course, and on up into Eastern Bay Even Hacketts is supposedly holding legal croakers — and nice spot, too.

With bloodworms more expensive than shrimp, you might want to give some thought to a switch in your usual bait. It's worth a try!

RUNNING

Volunteers are real winners in Annapolis Ten Mile Run

RUNNING



By GABRIELLE DeGROOT

Even if we aren't runners, most of us are familiar with the Annapolis Ten Mile Run — when 3,600 runners from 24 states and the District of Columbia converge on the city for a day.

What we might not be familiar with are the countless hours of work put in by volunteers, police agencies, the Annapolis Striders, sponsors and others to make this event work.

This year, for the first time ever, the Striders honored some of those folks — specifically the city, county and state police — with beautiful acrylic sailboats.

"We need to recognize the people who do so much for this race," said race director Sue Briars. "They did a lot of work."

In addition to clearing the roads on race day, frequently bearing the brunt of motorists' anger when made to take a detour, the police also meet with the race directors months before to map out strategy.

"We wanted to show our appreciation for all their help and all they do to meet the needs of the community," Briars said.

Special thanks also go to the event's corporate sponsors, without whom the race could never take place, Briars said.

Katcef Brothers makes a large contribution each year, not to mention supplying beer at the finish line. Other local sponsors this year included Koons Ford of Annapolis, Annapolis Publishing, Loews Hotel, the Sports Medicine Center of Annapolis, Nationwide Insurance Co., First National Bank of Maryland and the Anne Arundel County Department of Recreation and Parks.

Also this year, Kraft Food donated Tombstone pizzas and Breyer's ice cream and Gatorade, Snow Valley and Powerbar also donated their products to the racers.

Over the years, and unbeknownst to many, the Annapolis Ten Mile Run has contributed tens of thousands of dollars to the American Heart Association's Children's Early Detection Program. Although final figures are not yet available, Briars estimated the club's contribution this year would exceed \$8,000.

RACE RESULTS
Annapolis 10 mile Run
Overall men Gerry Clapper 52:01 Stephen



Runners head down main street during last Sunday's annual running of the Annapolis Ten Mile Run.

By George M. Lundskow — The Capital

Clark 52:31 Mark Donohue 52:44 Doug Mock 53:08 Michael Regan, 53:28 Ken Fowler, 54:10 Chris Nugent, 54:22 Dennis Miccy 54:30 James Garnett 54:32 Dominique Da Luz 54:35

Overall women Donna Moore, 1:01:01 Cynthia Carpenter 1:02:02 Janet Healy 1:02:26 Ben Marie Fritsch 1:04:25 Wendy Brown 1:04:33 Elizabeth Andrews 1:04:47 Susie Kinnecome 1:05:14 Mary Gaylord 1:05:20 Maureen Hall 1:05:56 Stacey Ward 1:05:59

Men 13 & under Michael Anderson 1:42:36
Men 14-19 Aaron Price 59:08 Marcos Torres 1:00:05 Brad Boedig 1:01:15 Brian Carlson 1:07:35 Steve Twigg 1:08:20

Women 14-19 Cynthia Symanczyk 1:18:33 Mary Norton 1:29:20 Cynthia Kelly 1:29:54 Kaha Foley 1:33:51 Beth Rappold 1:38:39

Men 20-24 Robert Meglin 54:56 Christopher McGovern 56:16, Chris Ciarrara 56:26 Daniel Holland 56:31 Matt Adams 56:49

Women 20-24 Stacey Ward 1:05:59 Barbara Kannewurf 1:06:50 Allison Thomson 1:11:12 Deirdre McCarthy 1:12:26 Jennifer Haas 1:12:33
Men 25 to 29 Doug Mock 53:08 Michael Regan 53:28 Ken Fowler 54:10 Chris Nugent 54:22 Dennis Miccy 54:30

Women 25 to 29 Bea Marie Fritsch 1:04:25 Susie Kinnecome 1:05:14 Mary Gaylord 1:05:20 Maureen Hall 1:05:56 Robin Humphrey 1:06:14
Men 30 to 34 Dominique DeLuz 54:35 Joseph Blackmon 54:48 Ron Kulk 55:09 Mark Jones 55:12 Bryan Pownall 55:46

Women 30 to 34 Wendy Brown 1:04:33 Elizabeth Andrews 1:04:47 Patricia Keaney Ryan 1:04:47 Pat Whitson 1:07:04 Meg Jern 1:07:37
Men 35 to 39 Pete Gilson 55:25 Dave Kannewurf 55:37 Deane Burke 56:52 Jeff Sanborn 57:37 Rusty Moore 57:52
Women 35 to 39 Nad Taylor-Toibert 1:07:58 Linda Wach 1:08:56 Margaret Starnes 1:09:03

Susan Carr 1:09:18, Kshl Canese 1:10:46
Men 40 to 44 Ric Banning, 55:04 Chuck Mooser 55:32, Michael McHale 57:27 David Webster 57:50, James Carbery 59:15
Women 40 to 44 Beverly Pitts 1:10:25 Sharon Riedel 1:10:57 Judy Bender 1:11:51 Patty Shackleton 1:11:52, Karen Erb 1:12:15
Men 45 to 49 John Sherlock III 59:44 Reuben Beauchamp 1:00:53 Herbert Tolbert 1:01:05 John Kirkpatrick 1:01:43 George Myers 1:01:49
Women 45 to 49 Barbara Erstrom 1:11:03 Debby Gebhardt 1:14:47 Dee Nelson 1:15:17 Meredith Bonia 1:17:07 Frances Clark 1:17:51
Men 50 to 54 John Benkert 57:58 John Haubert 1:04:06 Fred Shanklin 1:06:25 Jerry Solomon 1:06:33 John Pizarra Sr. 1:06:42
Women 50 to 54 Janice Stoodley 1:13:03 Elaine Unterman 1:13:46, Janet Newburgh 1:16:11 Erics Williams 1:16:59 Jane Metzler 1:21:14
Men 55 to 59 Fay Bradley 1:00:17 Kirk Davies 1:07:10 Bill Elzinga 1:08:35 Dick Jamborsky 1:09:51 Art Morey 1:11:02
Women 55 to 59 Betty Tucker 1:22:45 Tam Graf 1:23:20 Jill McIlus 1:25:28 Loretas Paupman 1:36:12 Phyllis Mirarch 1:36:41
Men 60 to 64 George Yannakakis 1:10:14 Lawrence Dickerson 1:11:36 Copley Smoak 1:17:38 Joseph Rutrowski 1:17:41 Francis Gignac 1:18:56
Women 60 to 64 Nancy Bertell 1:36:13 Esther Wasman 1:36:26 Marjorie Lane 1:36:59 Betty Moore 1:43:59
Men 65 to 69 Dixon Hemphill 1:16:13 Bill Morrison 1:18:29 Harry Bratt 1:26:14 Bill Osburn 1:28:32 Richard Johnson 1:32:03
Women 65 to 69 Kay Morrison 1:45:10 Patricia Wesley 1:56:32 Phyllis Edwards 2:11:03
Men 70 & over Oscar Fox 1:22:34 Francis Pierce 1:28:00 Jack Boldi 1:46:36 Leonard Salatti 2:06:59
Women 70 & over Hedy Marque 1:34:20

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