

This year is our 15th Annual Tappahannock Rotary Club Croaker Tournament! Each year we try to add something new to encourage you to come back again and this year is no exception. We are committed to holding the line on entry fees at the same level as last year. Remember, it pays to register early! Those who register before May 1st will save \$25 off the normal entry fee and receive one free t-shirt. The Tournament will be supported from our regular locations, the Dock Street ramp in Tappahannock, June Parker Marina and Garrett's Marina is the Tournament Headquarters. For your convenience, you may have your prize catch tagged and checked in at June Parker Marina or the Dock Street ramp and transferred by Rotary Club contest officials to the final weigh-in at Garrett's Marina.

So, mark your calendars for May 19th, gather your friends, and visit us online at <a href="www.bigcroaker.com">www.bigcroaker.com</a> where you can conveniently register your boat, order your T-shirts, and pay by credit card. If you prefer, you are welcome to fill out the registration entry form below and mail it with your check for your registration fee and extra T-shirts you ordered. The registration fee for 2018 remains \$150 per boat, but it is discounted to \$125 per boat for registrations paid online or postmarked before May 1, 2018. Registrations before May 1st will also include one free T-shirt per entry. Additional T-shirts may also be ordered online or by the registration entry form below. Full tournament rules are online at <a href="www.bigcroaker.com">www.bigcroaker.com</a> and on the back of this form.

Captain's packages will be mailed to contestants that register before May 1, 2018. T-shirts will be available for pickup on Friday, May 18th (5 to 7pm) at Roma's Restaurant in Tappahannock. Captain's Packages will also be available at that time for those registering after May 1st. Please mark your planned launch point on the entry form so that we may have your Captain's package and t-shirts waiting for you on the morning of the tournament if not picked up Friday evening.

Weigh-in activities will include door prize drawings along with complimentary hotdogs and hamburgers. Pass on the word to your friends and have them join in the fun. May is the prime month for the "big ones" and with your participation we hope to make this a great tournament that also benefits our community! Be sure to check our website and Facebook page for updates.

#### Have fun, and good luck fishing!

Jay Brimmer, 2018 Tournament Committee Chair, jaybrimmer@gmail.com

## Tappahannock Rotary Andrew Reavis Memorial Croaker Tournament

Saturday, May 19, 2018 - 7:00 am to 4:30 pm

Largest Croaker caught by any fisherman registered by May 1st wins a \$500 cash bonus!

1st Prize: \$1,500 ~ 2nd Prize: \$1,000 ~ 3rd Prize: \$500 ~ 4th Prize: \$250 ~ 5th Prize: \$150 Youth Angler 16 years or younger: 1st Prize: \$300 ~ 2nd Prize: \$200 ~ 3rd Prize: \$100

### Entry Fee: \$125 per Boat before May 1 - \$150 per boat after May 1 - one form per boat

Name:	Phone:	Mobile:	
Address:		_	
Boat Registration Number:		-	
Planned launch site (Check one) : June			
T-Shirt size: S M L XL	XXL XXXL Total	number of shirts ordered:	
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### **Tappahannock Rotary Andrew Reavis Memorial Croaker Tournament**

#### **Tournament Rules**

- Date is May 19th, 2018 Rain or Shine
- Hours 7:00am to 4:30pm. Any fish at weigh-in after 4:30pm will be disqualified
- Fishing is only permitted between the bridges at Tappahannock and White Stone
- All fish must be caught on hook and line
- You may bring your fish by boat to Garrett's Marina, or turn your fish in to Rotary Tournament officials at either June Parker Marina or the public boat ramp (Moose Lodge) on Hoskins Creek in Tappahannock between the hours of 3 pm and 4 pm and it will be transferred to Garrett's Marina for weigh-in. No fish will be allowed to the weigh-in by any means other than boat by anyone other than Rotary members. Boats must be in the breakwater by 4:30 PM at Garretts or 4:00 PM at June Parker Marina or Hoskins Creek.
- Your contest number must be displayed on your boat at all times during the tournament
- Only Croakers are eligible for prizes
- State certified scales will be supplied by the Commonwealth of VA.
- Prizes (total \$4,500):

#### **Adult Division**

1st Place \$1,500.00\* 2nd Place \$1,000.00\* 3rd Place \$500.00 4th Place \$250.00 5th Place \$150.00

#### Youth Division-16 years old and under

1st Place \$300.00 2nd Place \$200.00 3rd Place \$100.00

- Additional bonus \$500 for largest fish for a fisherman registered by May 1st
- Only one prize will be awarded per boat in the adult division
- In the event of a tie, the winner will be decided by the earliest date of registration. (Determined by postmark)
- Any deviation from the rules will result in disqualification from the tournament
- Make certain that your boat is equipped with all of the necessary safety equipment as members of the Department of Game & Inland Fisheries will be on duty
- The most important thing..... HAVE FUN!!!

### Register/Pay online at www.bigcroaker.com

or mail your completed form to: Tappahannock Rotary Club, P.O. Box 2672, Tappahannock, VA 22560

# \*Again This Year\*

# Win your entry fee back!

Every boat entered before May 1st will have an opportunity to win their entry fee back.

Drawing will be held the day of the tournament during the prize giveaways.

## Tournament within a Tournament!

with \$25, \$50 and \$100 buy-in options.

<sup>\*1</sup>st & 2nd place winners will be required to complete and sign IRS form W-9, "Request for Taxpayer Identification Number", which requires winners name, address & social security number.