

## September 2023 President's Message

Its prime Marlin season in MidAtlantic region. As predicted in last month's Captains Corner, fishing started to heat up just in time for the Mid-Atlantic.

One third of the boats that won money in the Mid-Atlantic were CMMTC member boats. Our member boats that made the trip to the Podium for the 2023 event for photos with Happy Gilmore check were Common Sense, Taylor Jean, Viking 80, Big Oil, Covert Mission, Liquidity, Quick Raise, Y-Not, and Judge. We have some of the best owners, boats, captains, mates, and anglers in the world as CMMTC members and if you didn't believe that then here is some solid proof.

The bite continued during the Labor Day Overnighter with action from the Spencer to the Norfolk Canyons. Many boats had multiple releases, and some were double digits. As I write this, several of our members are out doing overnighters again and we are hearing reports of double digit and even over 20 billfish releases per boat, and we expect a great week of fishing. Hope it keeps going for a few more weeks.

- CMMTC Ladies Billfish Invitational Ladies Week Despite the weather hampering a bunch of boats from fishing, the event was nothing short of spectacular. We have heard countless rave reviews about this being the best Ladies Day (Week) in CMMTC history. Special recognition must go out to our Ladies Week Event Committee including Madison O'Donnell, Rachel Linus, Sandy McCarthy, Michelle Ragno, Brian Lempa and Fred Tuttle. We also must recognize Diane Diluzio and Art Kushner who both staffed the membership and apparel booths for all three nights. We could not have the event without our sponsors including D'Antonio Excavating as the title event sponsor for 2023.
- CMMTC Apparel We have burgees, visors, and apparel in stock currently, including the Ladies Neon Pink Performance Hoodies along with the Men's Blue Performance hoodies.
- Challenge Cup 2023 Fishing Days: (2 of 3 Captains Choice) September 14, 15 & 16. Per the rules, if one boat fishes one day then the tournament is official. CMMTC and OCMC Challenge Cup Chairs are communicating related to weather. If there are any changes or cancellations as a result of the weather, it will be conveyed to all.
- Annual Awards Banquet Saturday, November 18<sup>th</sup> at 6pm at The Grand Hotel. Tickets will be \$100 per person for members and guests. Guests of members are welcome to attend. There will not be assigned seating. We will have live entertainment, cocktail hour, dinner, dancing, open bar, auction

items, 50/50 and of course of 2023 Award Recipients. The CMMTC will be closed on November 18<sup>th</sup>. Invitations will be sent out shortly.

- 2023 Tournament Committee We all owe an extra special Thank You to the 2023 Tournament Committee. 2023 Members are – Fred Tuttle, Chair, Brian Lempa, Co-Chair, Russel Yost, Frank Wise, Madison O'Donnel, Rachel Linus, Mike Linus, Michelle Ragno, and Jim McCarthy. These members put in endless Volunteer hours with little to no recognition. So next time you see one of them tell them thank you, apologize for inappropriate things that you said to them this year, and buy them a drink for all that they do for our club.
- CMMTC Sponsorship Packets for 2023/2024. Please consider supporting the club through sponsorship; these sponsorships benefit both you and your business. They are crucial to support the ongoing operations and Capital Improvements at the club. For any questions and to sign up, contact the club at <u>cmmtc@capemaymarlintunaclub.com or Tournaments@capemaymarlintunaclub.com</u>
- Pictures, Photos, Videos, & Stories. Members, boat owners, captains, mates, and anglers please send us your pics, videos, stories, and results. Send to <u>cmmtc@capemaymarlintunaclub.com</u>
- Missing Member Information There are about 25 members that we do not have a functioning email for, or your emails are incorrect, mailing address is wrong, or we are missing phone numbers. Please email accounting <u>Accounting@capemaymarlintunaclub.com</u> with your current information so we make sure everything is current. If you have not been receiving club emails, and you don't send your information to accounting, then it is no one's fault but your own.
- If you have questions comments or suggestions for the club, please email them, come to a Board Meeting, or put them in the suggestion box. It is not appropriate to corner a Board member in the club while they are trying to relax and enjoy their personal time with your issues. The Board members are all volunteers that give countless hours of their time to try and make the club a better club, but none of us are paid and none of us are your employees.

Tight Lines and Following Seas,

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