

March 2024 President's Message

Can you believe it March already!! It's time to schedule the spring work for your boats and get your tackle in good shape. Maybe purchase a new boat. Remember that we have several members who are professionals in all of these industries who can assist you with your needs. Don't forget to schedule your make ready services and your launches for the upcoming season. Get your tackle ready and other preseason preparations. Fluke limits have also recently changed to 3 fish at 18" for 2024—awesome for Flounder fishing.

- March 6th Anonymous Email. There was an anonymous, non-club email sent to past and current club members containing fabrications and unfounded statements. For almost a month now, there has been ongoing interaction with the Cape May Police Department associated with a criminal investigation that has been reported to CMPD by CMMTC. At this time, we cannot share any information to preserve the integrity of the investigative work being done by Cape May's finest.
- ➤ 2024 CMMTC Seminar Series. CMMTC will be hosting seminars throughout the season with topics ranging including fishing techniques, CPR training, AED training, etc. These seminars will be free of charge to our members and guests. Be on the lookout for these events in the upcoming months. If you are an expert in any fields of interest, please reach out if you would like to be the presenter at one of the seminars.
- CMMTC Sponsorship Packets for 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 cmmtc@capemaymarlintunaclub.com or Tournaments@capemaymarlintunaclub.com.
- > Stop at the Club and visit our Awesome Bar Staff. CMMTC is open Wednesday through Sunday at 4pm over the winter season. Stop in and see our fantastic bar staff and have some of their custom creations. They rely on all of us members to stop in an patronize the bar.
- ➤ ROFF's discount plan for CMMTC members and their boats. We have again worked with ROFFS to put together a great discount plan for CMMTC Members. You can get discounts up to 50% off which is not available on any other plan without being a CMMTC member. The information is a link that is being emailed out to all members. When you contact ROFFs tell them you are a CMMTC member and which plan that you want. That's all you need to do to get the discounted rate.

- ➤ **Use of Parking Lot.** The CMMTC parking lot has very limited spaces. Parking lot is for the use by club members in good standing while patronizing the club during operating hours of the club and should not be utilized for parking at other times. Staff has been authorized to call the Cape May Police and sign the citation to have nonmember vehicles towed.
- ➤ **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.
- ➤ **CMMTC Member Discipline.** The Board takes every disciplinary action extremely serious and disciplining a member is the last thing that the Board wants to do. The discipline process is an objective process, and the matter is fully deliberated by all members of the Board. If the Board must discipline a member; that action is warranted for the violations committed. In closing let's all enjoy the CMMTC and follow the rules and make the club an enjoyable and fun place for our members and guests.
- ➤ 2024 Board Meetings. Off season board meetings are being held by zoom since many board members are not present in Cape May over the winter. The Board will be having a brief Board meeting on March 20th at 7:30pm followed by a private, in person Executive Session to discuss various personnel materials, legal matters, and disciplinary matters. The April Board meeting will be held via Zoom only at 7:30pm on April 17th.
- ➤ **Pictures, Photos, Videos, & Stories**. Members, boat owners, captains, mates, and anglers please send us your pics, videos, stories, and results. Send to cmmtc@capemaymarlintunaclub.com
- ➤ 2024 Tournament Schedule. The Tournament Committee has met and should be finalizing the Tournament schedule shortly. We are waiting for some other tournaments to provide their dates to avoid conflicts or coordinate formats.
- ➤ 2024 Challenge Cup Save the dates: September 11 through 14th. OCMTC Cocktails and captains Meeting September 11th. Fish 2 of 3 days 12th thru 14th captains' choice. CMMTC captains meeting to be announced. Boat must be owned by a member in good standing and have met the CMMTC minimum requirements to be eligible for entry. Alternately, you may sponsor at a level of Silver Sponsorship or higher and it includes eligibility to enter the tournament without needing to fish the Two CMMTC Tournaments
- If you have questions comments or suggestions for the club, please email them to the club, or attend a Board Meeting,

Tight Lines and Following Seas, Captain. Jim McCarthy, President