



WHAT'S BITING

2008 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

TOURNAMENTS

General/Shakedown (Fish Fry April 13)	April 12
Bluewater Captain's Meeting May 15	May 15-17
General	May 31
Powder Puff Captain's Meeting June 5	June 7, 7/14
General	June 28
Young Anglers	July 12
General	July 26
Kingfish/General	August 9
General	September 6
General	October 4
Inshore Fish Fry Oct. 26	October 25

*General Tournaments: Weigh In ** 5:30pm – 7:00pm
Other additions and/or amendments could be made to the tournaments.*

MEETINGS

- February 10** (*Oyster Roast Sunday*)
Forrest City Gun Club
- May 15** (*Blue Water Captain's Meeting*)
Savannah Yacht Club
- August 7** (*Thursday*)
Savannah Yacht Club
- October 23** (*Inshore Captains Meeting Thursday*)
Savannah Yacht Club
- December 5** (*Annual Meeting*)
Savannah Yacht Club

All of these meeting are open to the entire membership and their guest.

2008 OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS

Officers

President	Richard Coomer
Vice President	Mike Dodd
Treasurer	Beau Lynah
Secretary	Dave Hickey

Board Members

Carter Mobley (2008)	Barry Bazemore (2008)
Ryan Martin (2008)	Steve Miller (2008)
Wright Smith (2009)	Nick Hale (2009)
Mike Sweeney (2009)	Brent Bazemore (2009)
Robert Hale (2010)	Mike Smith (2010)
Lee Yates (2010)	Chuck Stein (Past Pres.)

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

There are presently 225 club members.

The following individual(s) have been invited to membership: **Barry Vien & Frank Scarborough**

The following individual(s) have been proposed for membership: **Robert Benson, Juha Jaukkloa, Chris Gall, Robert Daily, & Eric Oetgen**

Waiting list: Currently 16 people are on the waiting list

UPCOMING EVENTS

Oyster Roast – February 10th 2:00pm Forest City Gun Club.
This is a great time to bring prospective new members.

Shakedown- Saturday April 12 will be the fish day. The shakedown fish fry dinner on Sunday April 13th.
Location to follow.

DUES

If you haven't paid them, they are late. Please pay immediately or you will be dropped from the roles of the SSFC per the bylaws.

FUNDRAISING

It is that time of year again. The fundraising committee will begin beating the bushes again to raise enough money to put on some of the finest fishing and party events in town. So please if you would like to contribute by purchasing an advertisement please contact Brent Bazemore @ 912 656-5507.

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

If you have a prospective member and need an application please contact Dave Hickey at 912 484-3061, and bring them to the oyster roast on February 10, 2008 at the Forrest City Gun Club. Applications are also available on the www.SSFC.org website.

SSFC WEBSITE

If you haven't looked yet make sure that you log on to the web site **www.SSFC.org**. Our Web Site is kept up to date with any changes or information that you as a club member might need. You now can download club membership applications from the site. Please get us your fishing pictures so we can post them for the world to see.

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Remember please continue sending me fishing reports, so we can inform everyone **What's Biting**. Note please Northing and Easting, only if they are biting.

CIRCLE HOOKS

HMS permitted boats awarded prizes or points for bill fish will be required to use circle hooks on any rigs using a bait of any kind, whether bare or in combination with a lure. Watch for more information from the tournament rules committee next month.

CCA BANQUET

The Coastal Conservation Association, Savannah Chapter, is having a dinner and auction on February 21, 2008 at the Alee Temple. The event starts at 6:00pm. Money raised at this event helps with local projects, which included the Peach State Reds restocking program in which the SSFC is a partner. For more information contact Ricky Friedenber at 912-663-0116.

MEMBERSHIP ALERT

A meeting of the Gray's Reef Council is scheduled for January 31 from 3 Pm until 8 Pm at the Bamboo Farm. The entire meeting is open to the public, but a presentation on the planned closing of a portion of this reef to fishing, diving, and spear fishing, including trolling through the closed area, should begin around 5:30 PM and conclude at about 7 PM. At this time the floor will open for questions and public comment, and if this is anything like the meeting I attended Saturday, Jan 19, 2008, at Sapelo SFC, questions and comments will run for about an hour.

I don't think this closing is necessarily a bad thing, but we want you to be able to hear for yourselves the specifics of what NOAA has planned and why. We and NOAA want you to have an opportunity to voice your opinion(s), favorable or otherwise before a plan is cast in concrete. I recognize this is short notice, but this will not be the only meeting open to the public for comment. There will be several more before a final plan is implemented, but the sooner you can bring ideas and concerns forward, the better our opportunity to influence the process.

Good Fishing,

Brent Bazemore

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