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Annual Meeting of Saltwater Tournament Committee Set

The annual meeting of the Tournament Committee of the Virginia Saltwater Fishing Tournament will be held Wednesday, November 12th at Marina Shores in Virginia Beach. The meeting is scheduled to start at 6:45 pm in the Pool Lounge.

The meeting will begin with a public comment period, providing anglers an opportunity to address the Committee with their suggestions and concerns relating to the operation and policies of the program. Following the public comment period, the Committee will proceed with its formal meeting. Major agenda items include: review results of a pilot study investigating movement and release mortality involving large striped bass in the winter fishery off the Virginia coast; review of the 2007 Citation data; State Record status report for Blueline tilefish, Golden tilefish and Snowy grouper. A copy of the meeting agenda is attached.

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