

## Pro Staff News

### Team Ocean Kayak Takes First Place at Gibbons Open

The final leg of the Gibbons Creek Open tournament series concluded on April 15. This was the final tournament in the three part Texas Kayak Fishing Series. Vincent Rinando came into this series in sixth place, needing a win if he hoped to place in the year to date standings. Vincent's three bass total length of 51.75" was enough for a first place finish and his 17.75" bass was the largest bass caught for the day. With this win Vincent placed third in the final standings for the tournament. Admittedly a coastal angler, Vincent finished the tournament series with the top 2 largest bass

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### REI Demo Days a Big Success

Robert Harvey and Jeff Herman loaded up the trailer with a wide variety of Ocean, Necky and Old Town Kayaks for the REI Demo Day event in Cypress, Texas. More than a hundred adults and almost as many children took advantage of the warm weather to try out their favorite kayak. Robert and Jeff also brought with them a fully rigged tournament kayak to demonstrate the various products our team uses during competition.



Robert Harvey introduces a new kayaker to an Old Town Derigo

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### Team Ocean Kayak Takes The Lead in KayakMasters Tournament Series

The first event of the KayakMasters tournament series was held at Lake Conroe, Texas on March 25, 2006. Anglers were greeted with unusually cold conditions and ice at launch time. The change in weather conditions forced most anglers to rethink their game plan. Vincent Rinando placed 3rd in the overall stringer division placing Team Ocean Kayak in first place for the Team of the Year standings. Robert Harvey placed fourth in the Big Bass competition and Captain Filip Spencer placed 6th in the total stringer division. It was a great turnout and a great start to the tournament series.



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Gibbons Creek Open Winners

### Promotional Events

[April 6-9, 2006 Bass Pro Shop Bossier City, LA](#)

[April 15, 2006 REI Demo Days Cypress](#)

[April 22, 2006 REI Paddle Clinic Austin](#)

[April 29-30, 2006 Bass Pro Shop Camping and Boat-ing Classic Katy](#)

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### Cabela's Watersport Weekend Buda, Texas

Captain Filip Spencer attended the Cabela's Watersport weekend March 17, 2006 in Buda, Texas. Buda is located just outside Austin. Filip spent the day talking with customers about kayak fishing and the products we use. Introducing customers to new products and gathering feedback from them on existing products is one way Team Ocean Kayak stays in touch with the marketplace and keeps their finger on the pulse of the kayaking industry. It is one of Team Ocean Kayak's goals this year to expose as many inland lake and river fishermen to the world of kayaking through tournament participation and promotional events.

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### Team Ocean Kayak Place 3rd in Galveston Specktacluar Tournament.

The first Galveston Specktacluar series was held on March 11, 2006. This tournament series is the largest speckled trout tournament on the Gulf Coast. This year they have added a kayak division, and included a three tournament series competition. Captain Filip Spencer and Vincent Rinando placed third in the tournament and are also currently third in the yearly standings. The Specktacluar tournament series will have an invitation only high profile event for the top 6 kayak teams in July. This event promises to have great exposure in the Houston/Galveston area. Filip and Vincent are poised to participate in the invitation only event with their third place finish in the inaugural event.

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### Team Ocean Kayak on HookNLine Maps

Team Ocean Kayak was asked to participate in the creation of kayak launch spots on the navigational maps made by HookNLine map company. HookNLine produce the waterproof navigation and fishing hot spot maps most widely used on the Gulf Coast. Team Ocean kayak provided HookNLine with areas that are kayak launch friendly. The areas were then noted on the maps and a legend added for kayak sites. For this information HookNLine maps added the Team Ocean Kayak logo to both the front and back of the Galveston Bay Complex, Matagorda bay (Middle Texas Coast) and the Lower Laguna Madre (Lower Texas Coast) maps. HookNLine also added the team website to the logo.

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Capt. Filip Spencer demonstrates Scotty products during Cabela's Watersport Weekend.



Capt. Filip Spencer and Vincent Rinando Place 3rd in the Galveston Specktacluar Series.



Team Ocean Kayak Logo on HookNLine Maps

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### Team Ocean Kayak Speaks at Texas Parks and Wildlife Flat Out Fishing Expo in Corpus Christi

Texas Parks and Wildlife Department asked Jeff Herman to be a guest speaker at this year's event in Corpus Christi to talk about kayak fishing the Texas Coast. Of all the kayak anglers on the Texas coast TPWD choose Jeff for his extensive knowledge of kayak fishing and his ability to relate that knowledge to others. This was a great opportunity to introduce people to the sport of kayak fishing, as well as the products we use.

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### Team Ocean Kayak goes to Louisiana

Captain Filip Spencer attended the Bass Pro Shop kayak promotion in Bossier City, LA on April 6-9. A typical kayak promotion consists of an above ground pool along with many different types of Ocean, Old Town and Necky kayaks. Filip was on hand to discuss kayak fishing and give kayak demonstrations and lessons. Turnout was great and many people got their first ride in a kayak.

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Jeff Herman demonstrates products at Texas Parks and Wildlife Flat Out Fishing Expo in Corpus



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