

# Pro Staff News

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## Team Ocean Kayak wins the IFA

Team Ocean Kayak's Vincent Rinando, Captain Filip Spencer, Clint Barghi, and Cameron Barghi fished the second leg of the IFA held in Rockport, Texas.

Clint Barghi took home 1st place with a 27.5" redfish and a 20" speckled trout for a combined stringer of 47.5".

Capt. Filip Spencer placed 3rd overall and had the largest speckled trout at 23" of the tournament. Filip moves into 1st place for Angler of the Year, with the final event in Rockport, scheduled for September.

Anglers Cameron Barghi and Vincent Rinando placed 6th and 12th. Cameron struggled to get a trout, but managed a keeper just before the end of the tournament. Vincent Rinando caught a nice 25" redfish, but was unable to land a keeper trout.

The final regional event will be held in Rockport on September 23, 2012. This event will combine regional venues into a one day regional tournament event, with the winner of the Regional Angler of the Year awarded. Currently Capt. Filip Spencer is in 1st place, and Clint Barghi is within striking distance.

The national championship will be held again this year in Chalmette, LA in November. This year Team Ocean Kayak hopes to have a team member win the regional title and compete against the other regional winners for the national title.

We will be in the process of the next couple months of contacting sponsors and raising money to travel to this championship event. We will need to stay in venue for a couple days and locate some fish prefishing.

## Upcoming Events

July 14, 2012 Galveston  
Redfish Series Galveston



Clint Barghi 1st Place, Captain Filip Spencer 3rd Place and Big Trout.





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Team Ocean Kayak's Vincent Rinando, Clint Barghi, and Cameron Barghi helped out again for the 2nd leg of the Lonestar Kayak Series, a grass roots kayak tournament event held in Galveston, Texas. This event again had good participation with 61 kayak anglers entered.

The Lonestar Kayak Series has four events for 2012, with two more remaining. Team Ocean Kayak is on hand to answer any questions the anglers might have about tournament fishing and to help out the tournament director Dustin Koreba with any administrative tasks he might need.

The series has a low entry fee, allows for live or dead fish stringers and includes cash and prizes for the top 15 places. It's a great way for anglers to get their feet wet with the process of tournament fishing from a kayak without a large investment. Locally run, operated and staffed by local fishermen and women it's a great way to continue to strengthen the friendships and give a venue for like minds to gather and have a great time.

The weigh ins are held at Louis Bait camp on Highway 6. They have been very gracious hosts, and have some great food as well.

At the final event one Angler of the Year will be crowned, and awarded cash and prizes.





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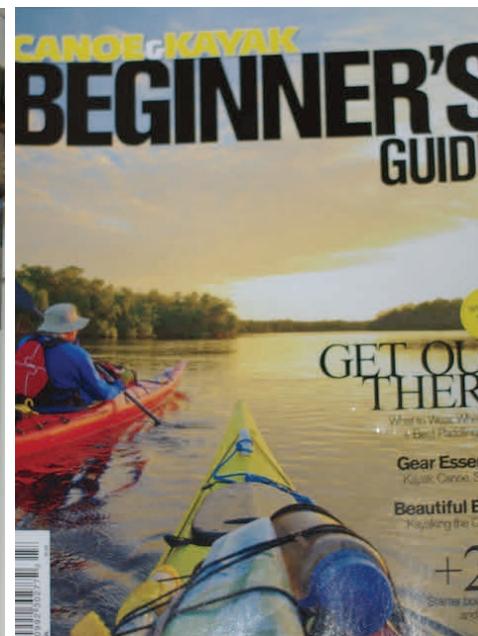
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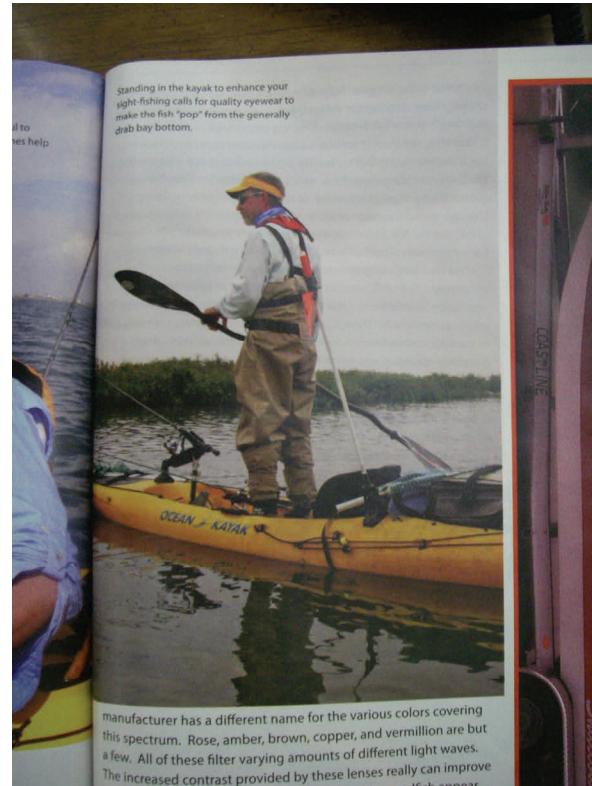
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### Team Ocean Kayak place 2nd at Casting for a Cause Tournament Corpus Christi, TX

Team Ocean Kayak's Vincent Rinando, Sam Rinando, Capt. Filip Spencer, Clint Barghi, and Cameron Barghi fished the 5th annual Casting for a Cause Charity tournament in Corpus Christi, Texas.

Team Ocean Kayak's Sam Rinando and Gina Murphy placed 2nd overall out of 152 kayakers in the 5th annual Casting for a Cause charity tournament. This event was one of the largest kayak tournaments ever gathered in the state of Texas with 152 entrants. This tournament benefits Heroes on the Water and the Multiple Sclerosis Society. The event this year raised over \$100,000.00 for these worthy charities.

Tides around Corpus Christi and Port Aransas were extremely low, which eliminated access to many of our favorite fishing spots.

Sam and Gina used this to their advantage and relocated to a traditionally deeper water spot.

The rest of the team managed average fish, but this was a great time to mingle with over 150 kayak anglers at both the captain's meeting and the weigh in and raffle event.

The Team brought down their families from Houston and surrounding areas and we stayed at a nice condominium on the beach in Port Aransas. We spent the down time between this tournament on Friday and the IFA on Sunday, by relaxing on the beach with our family and swimming in the pool.



Sam Rinando and Gina Murphy take 2nd Place.



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