

## Pro Staff News

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### Team Ocean Kayak at Mud Outdoors in Austin, TX

Team Ocean Kayak's Captain Filip Spencer was on hand for this year's Mud Outdoors Paddle Demo near Austin, Texas. The weather was beautiful and the crowds strong for this year's event. Captain Filip Spencer provided the crowd with several seminars focused on kayaking and kayak fishing. Seemed every time Filip sat down a small crowd would gather around him to pick his brain about kayaking and kayak fishing. Nothing pleases Filip more than sharing his passion for the sport of kayaking with others and he was more than happy to spend his time answering any and all questions asked of him. Filip brought with him the team's Malone kayak trailer fully rigged with a couple of Ocean Kayak Tridents and the crowd seemed to enjoy seeing all the rigging possibilities and equipment provided for the event.

Mud Outdoors is located just outside Round Rock in Marble Falls Texas in the heart of lake and river country where water sports are king. This was a great venue and Team Ocean Kayak looks forward to the next event.

#### Promotional Events

June 6, 2009 Wind and Wave Paddle Demo Corpus Christi, Texas

June 13, 2009 Third Coast Kayak Series Port O'Conner, Texas



Captain Filip Spencer always seems to draw a crowd



Break time is always a good time to ask him a question

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### Team Ocean Kayak at Bass Pro Shop Classic Katy, TX

Team Ocean Kayak's Vincent Rinando, Jeff Herman, and Sam Rinando were on hand at this year's Bass Pro Classic in Katy Texas. The team setup two fully rigged Ocean Kayak Tridents right outside the front door of Bass Pro Shop in a perfect location. Bass Pro provided an above ground pool to allow customers to demo their favorite Ocean Kayak. Each member was given the opportunity to speak to the crowds in the store at the seminar stage.

Jeff Herman, one of the team's three American Canoe Association certified instructors gave a seminar about kayak safety, trip planning, and equipment. Vincent Rinando gave a seminar about shallow water redfish tactics and targeting trophy trout from a kayak. Sam Rinando gave a seminar about kayak rigging and kayak fishing for redfish. On Sunday the weather became a bit rainy and the team moved their gear inside the store and setup.

Team Ocean Kayak would like to thank the wonderful staff at Bass Pro for the hospitality they always provide the team during one of their events it's always a pleasure to do an even at Bass Pro.



Front and Center setup



Tournament kayak rigged and on display



Vincent Rinando talks about shallow water tactics



Jeff Herman talking about kayak safety



Sam Rinando talks about kayak rigging

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### Team Ocean Kayak at Texas Kayak Series Freeport, TX

Team Ocean Kayak took one step closer to repeating as Team of the Year and Angler of the Year in the third tournament of this four tournament series by pulling within a couple points of first place for the team standings as the two man team of Vincent Rinando and Captain Filip Spencer placed fourth in the team event and Captain Filip Spencer sits alone in first place for Angler of the Year with only one event left for the series. The final leg of this series will be held in Corpus Christi in July, Captain Filip Spencer's home waters. The entire team had a good showing as the weather was beautiful. This is the first venue for this series this year where winds were below 35 mph. Although the tides were extremely low, the team was able to locate their fish and have fish for the weigh in. The Texas Kayak Series is a televised event that airs on Fox Sports Southwest during the fall and runs on reruns throughout the year.

Once again the cameraman found teammate Cameron Barghi and interviewed him for an upcoming episode. Clint and Cameron Barghi are the defending 2008 Angler of the Year and Team of the Year for this series. It looks as though Captain Filip Spencer and Vincent Rinando may trade places with them for the 2009 season. This would be awesome for the team to get that kind of exposure. The competition is tough, but with one tournament left, the team is poised to repeat.

Teammates Vincent Rinando, Captain Filip Spencer, Jeff Herman, Sam Rinando, Clint Barghi, and Cameron Barghi have put in a lot of work toward repeating as champions of this tournament series and have gotten some excellent television exposure from this series.



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