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Team Ocean Kayak at Jacksonville Classic Jacksonville, FL

Team Ocean Kayak's traveled to Jacksonville, Florida for the Jacksonville Kayak Fishing Classic. There were 430 kayakers entered in this tournament and well over 600 people attended the captain's meeting and weigh in.

The team rented a nice house on the beach in St. Augustine and we had a great time hanging out and relaxing. We learned one valuable lesson on this trip to Jacksonville, if you want to catch fish in Jacksonville, you'll have to use bait.

Team mate Clint Baghi caught what was probably one of the only slams on artificial, unfortunately his trout was undersized and didn't count. Captain Filip Spencer was asked to speak at the captain's meeting, and it was great exposure for the team and a fun trip. Captain Filip Spencer, Clint Barghi and Rick Spillman drove the team's trailer from Texas, while Vincent, Sam, and Jeff flew in a couple days later. It was amazing to see that many kayakers at a tournament and shows that one well run tournament held each year can be successful.



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Upcoming Events

June 6, 2010 XRT Kayak Fishing Tournament Matagorda, TX

June 13, 2010 IFA Kayak Tournament Rockport, TX



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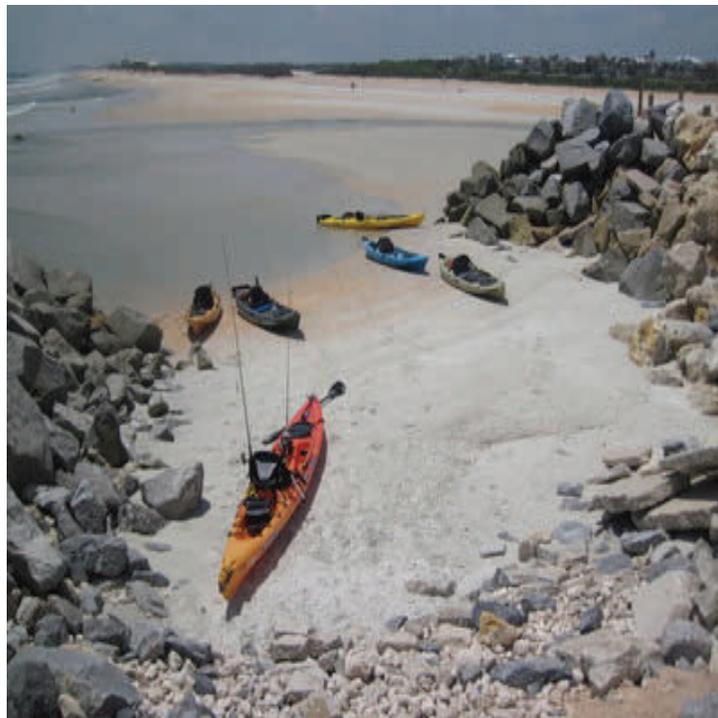
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Team Ocean Kayak filming with The Kayak Fishing Show crew for WFN St. Augustine, FL

Team Ocean Kayak had the pleasure of fishing with the Kayak Fishing Show crew in St. Augustine during our visit to Florida. Ocean Kayak Prostaff Jim Sammons and his film crew Will and Ken from Helconia Press, joined the team out in the Atlantic for some offshore fun. The water was beautiful and calm, little did we know we were paddling out into the Cobia and Manta ray migration that occurs off the eastern coastline this time of year.

We had some exciting encounters. Sam had a five foot long cobia swim right up to his kayak as soon as we got out in the water. Vincent had a similar experience when a 200lb tarpon surfaced within reach of his kayak.

The team had a great time landing some blue fish and sharks, but the experience, the company and the scenery really made this a memorable experience. Hopefully some of the footage shot during this outing will make the airwaves on the Kayak Fishing Show on the World Fishing Network.



Launching into the Atlantic Ocean



Fishing in the Atlantic Ocean

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Team Ocean Kayak's Round Table Discussion at Bass Pro Shop Katy, TX.

Team Ocean Kayak's Vincent Rinando and Sam Rinando were asked again to participate in a kayak fishing roundtable discussion held at the Bass Pro Shop in Katy, Texas. Team Ocean Kayak brought with it a fully rigged tournament kayak, along with a laptop with videos and pictures of the topics discussed.

Discussions centered around kayak rigging, shallow water redfish tactics, how to spot waking fish, and trophy trout tactics. Team Ocean Kayak's Vincent Rinando also gave a quick paddle instruction on proper paddling techniques.

The crowd was a bit smaller than the first roundtable, with about 15 participants. But the crowd was well engaged, participated, and seemed to enjoy the presentation.



Nice comments from an attendee

It was an incredible two hours..... went by too fast..... Vincent and Sam had a fully rigged OK Trident Kayak on display and showed and explained all of their gear. I just had to pick up a couple of new items after the Roundtable was complete. Film footage was exciting and used as a tool to explain how to Sight cast and Blind cast for those fish. Top waters, soft plastics, etc were discussed and the Improved Clinch and Rapala knots were demonstrated. Vincent also demonstrated proper paddling techniques. This was all free and I recommend anyone who missed this Roundtable to be sure to attend the next one. Thanks Vincent and Sam for an exciting two hours.



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