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Team Ocean Kayak's Vincent Rinando, Captain Filip Spencer, and Clint Barghi provided interviews that were published in a series of articles on the Milkcrate, an online blog.

Editorial Team
Ocean Kayak
By Andy Cameron
May 28, 2012 |

This issue of The Milkcrate has us talking with four members of Team Ocean Kayak, a venerable tour de force of kayak angling talent and passion. With a tour schedule rivaling that of the biggest rock bands, Team Ocean Kayak travels about the country in search of podium finishes at a variety of angling events. The group in question has taken Team of The Year titles from a variety of tournaments, including Shimano Extreme Edge Fishing, Texas Kayak Series, Third Coast, and Kayak Masters. Team members have also been named Angler of The Year in many of the same events. Impressive in its own right, the team's ability to land champion-level catches is trumped only by their desire to promote and grow the sport through demo days, seminars, in-store clinics, and trade show workshops. The term "ambassador" is often mentioned in these pages, and the label is accurately placed upon all who share a love of our sport. However, when like minded anglers combine their stoke and means of promotion, extraordinary things can happen, as is evidenced by the countless throngs of interested people touched by the team's efforts. By participating in highly attended events, including those put on by Bass Pro Shops, Cabelas, REI, and Austin Canoe & Kayak, the members of Team Ocean Kayak have placed the sport in front of tens of thousands of eyes, and have done so with the enthusiasm and dedication of true professionals. With the emerging trend of club formation meeting the already explosive growth of our sport, it can be deduced that the kayak angling world will see rise to many new teams, both sponsored and informal. It is therefore fortunate that the sport has pioneering groups such as Team Ocean Kayak serving as galvanizing illustrations of the benefit of combined passion.

Vincent Rinando

By Andy Cameron
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Vincent Rinando is a Houston, Texas based angler and founding member of Team Ocean Kayak. Currently holding five Texas Parks and Wildlife fly fishing records and a coveted listing among the state's Saltwater Elite Anglers, Vincent is widely recognized as one of the sport's leading talents. Vincent's on-water abilities are matched by an immense propensity to promote and develop the sport, a trait that often has him speaking at demo days, festivals, and clinics. Known for his positive attitude and determination, Vincent is an inspiration for the nation.

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Clint Barghi

By Andy Cameron
May 28, 2012 | Discuss

Coming to us by way of Friendswood, Texas, Clint Barghi is an accomplished angler known for his determination, humility, and sheer talent. A fisherman since his early days, Clint has parlayed his experience into numerous victories, including being named as the Texas Kayak Series Angler of the Year, and crowned as champion of the Redfish Road House. An

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Filip Spencer

By Andy Cameron
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Captain Fil Spencer is a Corpus Christi based fishing guide and Ocean Kayak Pro Staff member. A truly pioneering spirit, Fil has to his name nearly three decades of kayak angling experience. As is the case with the collective Team Ocean kayak, Fil is a champion angler many times over, and holds numerous titles, including Texas Kayak Angler of the Year.

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Upcoming Events

June 2, 2012 Lonestar Kayak Series Galveston

June 8, 2012 Casting for a Cause Tournament Corpus Christi

June 10, 2012 IFA Kayak Series Rockport

June 16, 2012 Galveston Redfish Series Galveston





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Team Ocean Kayak at Galveston Redfish Series Galveston, TX

Team Ocean Kayak's Sam Rinando, Rick Spillman, Clint Barghi, and Cameron Barghi fished the first event for the Galveston Redfish Series. This event was a preliminary event and did not count towards the end of the year standings.

Sam and Rick connected on some nice redfish, on a day that had strong winds and heavy rains. Sam and Rick found a nice redfish, but were unable to pair it with another quality tournament fish.

Clint and Cameron had similar results, early in the season, the larger and heavier redfish are difficult to locate.

This event had over 160 anglers competing with 3 kayak teams entered.

The first event of the standings year will be held in June.

As a team we are having to pick and choose which of these power boat tournaments in which we participate. Entry fees are much higher for this type of event and the expenses involved in pre fishing and locating fish to remain competitive is very expensive. We will probably consolidate our efforts, enter less teams in each event, but continue to support those teams in which we are entered to locate fish and share the expense of prefishing.



Rick Spillman and Sam Rinando with their redfish

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