

## Pro Staff News

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### Team Ocean Kayak takes 1st Place at Xtreme Redfish Series

Team Ocean Kayak's Sam Rinando and Rick Spillman won their 4th consecutive Xtreme Redfish Series tournament. Their 15.71lbs was the heaviest stringer for the tournament and was 1.5lb heavier than the winner of the boat division.

Sam and Rick are current in command of 1st place for Team of the Year with a single two day championship event remaining in Matagorda Texas on October 7-8. Sam and Rick have been on this pattern for big redfish for several weeks, with the recent opening of duck season and gator season, they had to contend with a lot of hunter traffic in and around their redfish spot. As the it got later in the day, many of the hunters left the area and Sam and Rick were then able to locate their fish and bring in this impressive stringer.

Team mates Vincent Rinando and Cameron Barghi opted to fish for big fish in a major river complex. Typical river fishing usually involves catching monster redfish or having a long day in search of the right fish. Unable to locate the bigger fish, Vincent and Cameron had to relocate to a different river system and grind out two fish for the weigh in.

Continuing to produce stringers heavier than the power boats not only gains their respect, it brings about a lot of questions from the other anglers. Interest in kayak fishing among the boat anglers is on the rise, and consistently bringing in heavier stringers is going to make converts out of many of them.



### Upcoming Events

October 7-8, 2011 Xtreme Redfish Series Championship

October 22, 2011 Galveston Trophy Trout Series

November 11-12, 2011 IFA Championship Chalmette, LA



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### Team Ocean wins IFA Corpus Christi, TX

Team Ocean Kayak's Clint Barghi placed 1st in the final IFA held in Corpus Christi. Clint's 51.5 inches was the longest stringer brought in during the Texas IFA Series for 2011. Clint also brought in the largest redfish for the series at 33 inches. Team mate Captain Filip Spencer finished 9th, and also finished 2nd overall for Angler of the Year, narrowly being beaten by just 2 points.

Clint Barghi finished 4th overall for Angler of the Year and Cameron Barghi finished 8th overall. Team Ocean Kayak had 3 anglers finish in the top 10 for Angler of the Year.

All three qualify for the IFA Championship to be held this year in November in Chalmette Louisiana. Last year Team Ocean Kayak had a good showing in the Championship held in Alabama in unfamiliar waters. This year the team is a bit more familiar with the Louisiana coast and we expect to have a good showing for this event.



### Texas Division

Place #	Angler LN	Angler FN	Port Aransas	Rockport	Corpus Christi	Points
1	Kay	John	199	194	197	590
2	Spencer	Fil	196	199	192	587
3	Denham	Al	191	198	198	587
4	Barghi	Clint	198	188	200	586
5	Collins	Mickey	195	200	190	585
6	Moudy	Melinda	193	179	195	567
7	Hood	Chuck	200	182	181	563
8	Barghi	Cameron	178	186	186	550



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Team Ocean Kayak's Sam Rinando and Rick Spillman finished 14th and Clint and Cameron Barghi finished 21st in the final leg of the Galveston Redfish tournament in a field of 50 teams. The Galveston Redfish Series consisted of four events with the top three weights going towards the Angler of the Year Title. More than 100 teams competed in the championship series and Team Ocean Kayak's Clint and Cameron Barghi were barely pushed out of the top 10 by a mere .03 ounces, finishing in 11th Place. Sam Rinando and Rick Spillman finished in 14th place. With only 2 kayak teams competing in a venue of over 100 teams having 2 teams in the top 15 is an amazing accomplishment.

Team Ocean Kayak looks to continue to compete in this high profile, highly competitive tournament series where we can measure ourselves against some of the best tournament anglers in the country. Having so many 17lb stringers is unheard of in redfish tournaments and it happened with regularity in this series in 2011, some stringers were nearly 18lbs. There is no other redfish tournament series in the country that can boast to have this type competition.

Clint and Cameron Barghi finished 2nd in the North region of the Bracket Championship, a competition they won in 2010. Sam Rinando and Rick Spillman finished 4th in the South region of the Championship bracket. Again finishing in the top 16 in an elimination bracket series that span the entire four tournament series.

### Galveston Redfish Series 2011 Angler of the Year

		06/11/11	07/16/11	08/20/11	09/24/11	Total
	TEAM	Weight	Weight	Weight	Weight	Weight
1	Chris Barrett/Corey Sattler	17.14	17.88	16.96		51.98
2	Patrick Whittenburg/Anthony Peiper / Eden Aven Dano	12.25		16.6	17.97	46.82
3	Randy Shipley/Charlie Williamson	15.54	15.61		14.94	46.09
4	Shane Prince / Glenn Vann	13.46		15.27	16.65	45.38
5	Cole Starr / Capt Brent Juarez (Coastline Marine)	17.15	12.76	15.43		45.34
6	Rob Ellis/Eric Renteria (Team Ninja)	14.84		15.99	13.77	44.6
7	Jeremy Turner/Doug Colvin(BAAD Marine/40Creek)		14.51	15.66	14.18	44.35
8	Miles Charlesworth/Trey Russo	14.61		13.38	16.17	44.16
9	Robert Rathkamp / Josh Bryan		14.41	13.42	16.07	43.9
10	Andy Fleshman/Jeff Holt	14.39	11.5		17.74	43.63
11	Clint Barghi / Cameron Barghi	16.05	14.1	13.45		43.6
12	Randy Weaver/Dean Stevens (Team Ninja II)	14.05		15.93	12.81	42.79
13	Bryan White/Glenn Winningham	14.28		14.92	13.21	42.41
14	Rick Spillman/Sam Rinando	13.99		14.56	13.84	42.39

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### Team Ocean at Wind and Wave Paddle Demo Corpus Christi, TX

Team Ocean Kayak's Filip Spencer was on hand for the Wind and Wave paddle demo held at Packery Channel park on Padre Island. The weather was beautiful and there were nice crowds on hand to try out all the new models of Ocean and Necky kayaks on hand. Some of the big winners were the Necky Vector 14 and the Ocean Kayak Tetra models. Paddlers really are excited about the new innovations and designs that Johnson Outdoors has come up with for 2012.



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Team Ocean Kayak's Captain Filip Spencer was on hand for the San Marcos paddle demo held at the ski ranch near San Marcos, TX. The lake itself was reduced in size due to a lack of rain, but the crowds were good and Captain Filip Spencer provided kayak fishing seminars on both days. Kayak sales were also good with many Ocean Kayak, Necky Kayak and Old Town canoes and sit inside kayaks being sold.



### Team Ocean Kayak at Austin Canoe and Kayak Paddle Demo Austin, TX

Jeff Herman from Team OK met Al Dylla in Austin to work ACK's Demo Days. Due to the ridiculous drought conditions there was no actual "Demo" of kayaks this year as the local lake's water level was too low! Yes, that is how bad the lack of rain has been. ACK was undeterred however and set up the event in their parking lot. Crowds were decent Saturday, lured by specials, discounts on accessories, BBQ, and the opportunity to talk with pro staff from the various manufacturers. Hats off to ACK for proving where there is a will, there is a way!



Jeff Herman reviews some maps with some anglers



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Team Ocean Kayak's Vincent Rinando was on hand at this fall's Austin Canoe and Kayak paddle demo held in Missouri City, near Houston. Good crowds both Saturday and Sunday of first time kayak buyers and seasoned kayakers looking to try out the new Ocean Kayak models.

Vincent provided an intro to kayak fishing seminar on Saturday, where he reviewed various products and rigging techniques. On Sunday, Vincent provided an introductory paddle lesson for first time kayakers. He provided training on paddle strokes, kayak entry, safety, trip planning and equipment use.



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