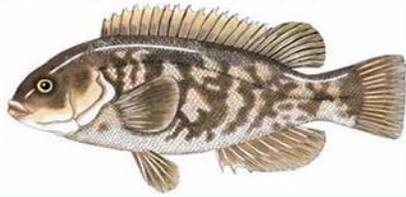


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FISHNET CHARTER (from page 29)

The largest tautog was caught by Captain Mel - who fished with us - which was around 8 pounds. He also caught a nice cod fish.

Captain Mel gave me a lesson in using a tautog jig. I've tried them before on my own, but without a lot of success. Within a few minutes I had the hang of it and was catching fish.

We continued catching and releasing keeper togs until it was time to pull the anchor.



Bill Hubert fish on!

Back at the ramp Captain Mel filleted the fish for us. After taking a few pictures we were soon on our way home with some nice tautog.

Captain Mel provides a great fishing experience with the latest equipment. We would certainly recommend him for a great time on the water fishing for all fish species. Check out



Captain Mel with tautog & cod

his website for his charters, custom rods and coolers at <http://www.captainmeltrue.com>

LESSONS LEARNED (from page 34)

Faced with the likelihood of a secretarial override, commissioners accepted the inevitable and voted against the conservationists' preferred option.

The question now is what happens in 2019, or whenever the menhaden-specific ecological reference points are developed, and are considered by the Menhaden Management Board.



Omega Protein isn't going anywhere. There is no reason to suspect that they will endorse any ecological reference points that are adopted. They will only change the arguments that they use to support the status quo.

The Administration in Washington won't be going anywhere, either, at least not before 2021. The same shark fin soup-slurping opponent of just about anything that promotes conservation will be sitting in the Oval Office, and if Wilbur Ross is no longer the Secretary of Commerce, it's pretty certain that someone else at least as hostile to conservative, science-based fishery management, and as friendly to short-term exploitation, will be.

Which makes the menhaden's future pretty unclear. All that we can do is learn from this loss, and try to prepare a bit better for next time.

And hope that it pays off.