## Operation: Hook It

Veteran organization MA Deuce Deuce (MA 22) will host the largest FREE fishing event for veterans along the Jersey Shore. 300 Veteran Fisherman Hookin' Gills for Veteran Suicide Awareness. Get your rod and reel ready for Saturday, August 22, 2020. Participate at your home launch or marina, ANYWHERE in New Jersey. Private, Charter, and Party boats are welcome to support our PTSD veterans that struggle with the mental ravages of war.

During the COVID- 19 pandemic, veterans are shut in and MA 22 is helping to fight this battle by recruiting enough volunteers with boats to take 300 veterans fishing. Veterans can fish in small groups or teamed with a boat captain/crew. There is no big prize money to win. It is a day to fish and enjoy a friendly competition among veterans to win rod and reel prizes, along with the needed camaraderie of other veterans. Dennis Addesso, President MA 22 stated; "The big payday for this type of sportfishing event is showing support to our veterans and bring awareness to the public about veteran suicide."

To learn more about this fishing event and how you can volunteer your boat or participate, please visit the <u>MA22.org/Hook It</u> website. Contact: Eric Chamberland, Event Chairman MA 22 Hook It for detailed information and donations. @ Hookit@MA22.org