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CMR certifies three saltwater fishing records

BILOXI, Miss. – The state Commission on Marine Resources certified three recreational conventional tackle records during its Aug. 19 meeting.

Thor Goodfellow of Gulfport established a state record for a cownose ray (*Rhinoptera bonasus*) with a 28-pound, 9-ounce fish on July 5, 2014.

Riley Saucier of Pascagoula broke the state record for a gulf kingfish (*Menticirrhus littoralis*) with a 2-pound fish on July 5, 2014. The previous record was 1 pound, 15.36 ounces, set in 2009.

Jordan Mathews of Biloxi broke the state record for a spinner shark (*Carcharhinus brevipinna*) with a 164-pound, 7-ounce fish on July 5, 2014. The previous record was 159 pounds, 4.8 ounces, set in 2004.

Photos courtesy of the Mississippi Department of Marine Resources

Caption 1: Thor Goodfellow set a state record for the cownose ray.

Caption 2: Jordan Mathews set a state record for the spinner shark.

Caption 3: Riley Saucier set a state record for the gulf kingfish.

The Mississippi Department of Marine Resources is dedicated to enhancing, protecting and conserving marine interests of the state by managing all marine life, public trust wetlands, adjacent uplands and waterfront areas to provide for the optimal commercial, recreational, educational and economic uses of these resources consistent with environmental concerns and social changes. Visit the DMR online at www.dmr.ms.gov.

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