Fishtales, Saturday, September 28, 2013 Working Waterfront Festival

Interviewer – Markham Starr Interviewee – Amelia Bailey

AB Bailey

MS Bailey. Alright so we are ready to go. So I'm gonna ask you again. Alright so what is your name?

AB I'm Amelia Bailey.

MS And where do you live Amelia?

AB I live in New Bedford.

MS And how old are you?

AB Nine years old.

MS Nine? Wow, great. So have you ever been fishing?

AB Yes.

MS Where did you go fishing?

AB I went fishing like around the place near Round Hill, like around when you go down on a boat to Round Hill, I fished like right off those rocks out that are called Dumpling Rocks. I fished right out there.

MS Huh, and what did you catch?

AB I caught a fluke

MS A what?

AB A fluke.

MS A fluke, ok. How big was it?

AB 18 inches long

MS Wow! Is that the biggest fish you ever caught?

AB Probably yes.

MS What other kinds of fish have you caught?

AB Um, I've caught bass. I've caught, my brother actually has caught a sea robin. And I've caught a baby, a baby, one of those little sharks that you see in the tanks, I've caught baby ones.

MS Was that fun?

AB Yeah.

MS Yeah. What do you do with your fish. Do you catch and release or do you keep it?

AB Um, we catch and release. We don't put it in a live well or anything. We just catch and release just for fun.

MS And what do you do, do you do any fresh water fishing or is it all salt water?

AB Um, I've done fresh water. My dad actually, my dad's friend actually has bogs and he has lakes and they're fresh water and they have fish in them so we go fishing there with my friend some times.

MS Wow. So you like fishing?

AB Yes.

MS Would you go into it as a commercial fisherman do you think?

AB Um, I don't know. But I do like fishing. I've been fishing at cranberry bogs as long as I can remember.

MS Really?

AB And the first time I went fishing, I caught the fluke on a boat, the first time I went fishing out on sea.

MS Wow. So maybe you're a natural fisherman then.

AB I don't know.

MS And do you fish at all just in the summer?

AB Yeah I fish in the summer.

MS And what grade are you going into, or are you in I mean?

AB I'm in fourth.

MS Wow, great so you've got a lot of fishing ahead of you then. Great well thank you very much.

AB You're welcome.

MS Great.