



Patchogue Fishing Club

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October Newsletter



Presidents Message

Fall is here, and the beaches are starting to show signs of the annual migration of bass and blues to their respective wintering grounds. If you were among the lucky ones to get in on the recent surf action at Southampton and Cupsogue, congratulations and don't forget to get those slips to me by the 10th of November!

The Saltwater license is proving to have the makings of a major division among the recreational fishing community. Assemblyman Thiele has said that while the State has imposed this new license fee on residents, no new programs have been created to benefit fishermen or marine fisheries. The monies appear to be going to pay for existing programs and to pay the salaries of employees that have been cut from the current state budget during the recent fiscal crisis. The three east end townships that have managed to get an injunction put in place until October 22nd, cite the 17th century colonial writs that guaranteed those town residents could "fish and fowl" on town waters for free without hindrance from outside agencies. When the State of New York was formed, the colonial era laws were ratified within the State constitution, giving the Trustees the authority to manage and maintain their own waters, thus superseding State laws. As it stands now, the restraining order that is in place for the Town of Shelter Island, Easthampton and Southampton townships frees surfcasters from having to carry a license from the East side of Moriches where Southampton Town jurisdiction begins to the western boundary of Hither Hills State Park in Montauk. Unfortunately this **DOES NOT** apply to fishermen on boats outside of town waters or in Montauk. It is expected that the Town of

Southold and Brookhaven will also challenge the license in the near future. Stay tuned for further updates on this contentious topic.....

See you at the meeting.

Heidi LeLaidier

NEXT REGULAR CLUB MEETING WILL BE HELD ON:



October 22, 2009

Where: Blue Point Cottage

Time: **8:00 pm.**

Donuts and coffee will be served.

Committee Reports



Outdoor

The Surf Tournament that was held October 2-3 had no winners. Fish were caught, however none were keepers.

The Blackfish Tournament is this coming Saturday, October 24, 2009. There is still room on the boat if you are interested. See Mark at the meeting if you are interested, and be sure to bring your \$50 deposit with you!

The final Tournament for the 2009 season will be held on Saturday, November 14th, 2009, from midnight to 5 pm. This will be a boat/surf tournament for striped bass only. Boundaries are all Long Island waters, however please plan your day accordingly as the only weigh in will be at Dockside 500 (near Matt and John's boat slip) from 5-5:30 pm!



Indoor

There is nothing planned for this month.



Fish of the Month

The Fish of the Month winner for September is Matt Werner for his 3lb 12 oz Porgy! Congratulations Matt!

Weigh Master

Weigh Boards are all up to date.



CONSERVATION

Tom reports that you can no longer fish for sea bass for the next 180 days if in Federal waters (3 miles off shore). If you are targeting sea bass inshore, remember the size limit for sea bass is 12.5 inches and bag limit of 25 per day. Also the Marine Recreational License is now in effect (Saltwater License). The fee is \$10, and it can be purchased at select tackle stores, sporting stores and online at the DEC website. Please be sure to read the President's message for other info regarding this issue.



New York Surf Fishing Tournament

Please remember to get any slips to me by the 10th of the month!



Prizes

All prizes are up to date. Just a reminder, if you receive a prize that comes from J&J Tackle, exchanges are cheerfully done as long as it is within one (1) month of be awarded. You must bring with you the prize slip (the prize card that accompanied your prize stating the prize winner's name, species of fish and place.) as well as the item you wish to exchange. Exchanges **will not** be honored past the (1) month time limit, so if you have a duplicate, or just wish to exchange for a more suitable item that best suits your fishing needs, be sure to make that exchange before the month time limit.



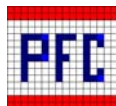
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We will continue with drawings at the meeting!



Newsletter

Anyone without internet access will receive their newsletter in the mail. If you have any problems with the electronic delivery please call Carl at 289-6934. He will be happy to help you.



Website

Remember...we are no longer reading the minutes during the regular meetings but you can find them on website: www.pfc1938.com in case you are interested.



October Birthdays

11th Gregg Maynard
 13th Debbie Remien
 21st Tom Ganetis
 27th Matt Werner

Happy Birthday to all those born in October!



Ladies Night

All is set for Ladies Night. Invitations should have been received, so please be sure to RSVP to Mark and Toni ASAP!

Date: Saturday November 7, 2009

Time: 7-11 pm

Where: Sunset Harbor

Please be sure to bring a bottle for the Basket of Cheer and a door prize valued at \$10. Remember, Ladies Night counts as our November meeting.



2010 Dinner Dance

Mark your calendars for Saturday, March 13th 2010. John and Vivi have secured the Sunset Harbor for our Annual Awards Dinner Dance! Thank you John and Vivi for chairing this committee and handling all the details!

Upcoming Meetings



Regular Meetings

Informal	22-Oct	8pm	Blue Point Cottage
Ladies Night	7-Nov	7pm	Sunset Harbor
Business	17-Dec	8pm	Blue Point Cottage



Marine Recreational Fisheries Regulations

With all the changes in the regs as of late, here are the current ones for your information. As updates are made available, this list will be updated as well. NOTE: All measurements are total length.

BLACKFISH: SIZE: 14 inch minimum. BAG LIMIT: 4 (four) fish per day.
SEASON: Jan 17-April 30 and Oct 1- Dec 20.

BLUEFISH: SIZE: No size limit. BAG LIMIT: 15 (fifteen) fish per day; however no more than 10 may be under 12 inches. SEASON: Open all year.

COD: SIZE: 22 inch minimum in state waters. BAG LIMIT: No bag limit.
SEASON: Open all year.

FLUKE: SIZE: 21 inch minimum. BAG LIMIT: 2 (two) fish per day.
SEASON: Open: May 15-June 15. **CLOSED to Recreational June 16 – July 2*.**
Open: July 3-Aug 17

***Party Boats that have the special permit are allowed to target Fluke during this closed part of the season. There are only 22 boats that have the special permit. Please be sure to note that if you do catch and weigh in during this period.**

FLOUNDER: SIZE: 12 inch minimum. BAG LIMIT: 10 (ten) fish per day. Season: Open only April 1-May 30 in all Marine waters.

POLLOCK: SIZE: 19 inch minimum. BAG LIMIT: None SEASON: Open all year.

PORGY: SIZE: 11 inch minimum. Party Boat Anglers: Season: June 12-Aug 31:
10 (ten) fish per day. Sept 1- Oct 15: 45 (forty five) fish per day
Private/Rental Boat: SIZE: 10.5 inch minimum. Season: May 25-Sept 26: 10 (ten) fish per day.

SEA BASS: SIZE: 12.5 inch minimum. BAG LIMIT: 25 (twenty five) fish per day
SEASON: Open all year

STRIPED BASS: ALL MARINE WATERS SOUTH OF GW BRIDGE: SIZE: 1(one) fish per day 28-40 inches and 1(one) fish over 40 inches*. SEASON: April 15- Dec 15.

***Party/Charter Boats: 2 (two) fish per day 28 inch minimum.**

HUDSON RIVER NORTH OF GW BRIDGE: SIZE: 18 inch minimum BAG LIMIT: 1(one) fish per day. SEASON: March 16-Nov 30.

WEAKFISH: SIZE: 16 inch minimum. BAG LIMIT: 6 (six) fish per day.
SEASON: Open all year.



RECIPE CORNER:

Grilled Swordfish with Picante Spice Paste and Black bean Salad

4 swordfish steaks (I substitute Tuna or Mako steaks) approximately $\frac{3}{4}$ inch thick

Picante Spice Paste:

1 tbs olive oil
½ tsp cayenne pepper
1 tsp cumin
White pepper to taste
Salt to taste
Juice of 1 lime

Combine all ingredients in small glass bowl. Place steaks in shallow baking pan and spread paste evenly over both side of all steaks. Set aside and let sit for 30 min.

Preheat grill. Oil racks well to prevent sticking. Place steaks on grill and cook for 4 mins on one side, turn and cook an additional 4 mins or until fish turns opaque and flakes easily.

Black Bean Salad:

1 poblano chili or green bell pepper
1 red bell pepper
1 jalapeno pepper, seeded and minced (or substitute cayenne pepper to taste)
1 small white onion, chopped
1 mango, peeled and chopped
1 lg can black beans
1 tbs olive oil
1 tbs white vinegar
Juice of 2 limes
1 tsp cumin
¼ cup cilantro minced
Salt to taste

Char poblano chili (or green bell pepper) and red bell pepper on grill. Remove skin and chop. Add remaining ingredients and mix well. Put in frig and chill for 30 mins.

Place bed of lettuce on plate. Place bean salad on lettuce, and top with fish steak. Serve with hot tortilla with butter, and an ice cold corona!

