



# PATCHOGUE FISHING CLUB

## JANUARY

### 2002



### Message from our President:

Dear Members,

## HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Welcome back to a new fishing club season as we prepare to meet in 2002. The PFC board will meet at my house on **Wednesday, January 16 at 8 p.m.** Jason Remien has already booked the dates for all our club meetings and our first club meeting is **Thursday, January 24, 2002 at 8 p.m.** Please mark your calendars at home.

The fishing club board and I will prepare events for our meetings. Communication to all our members is important for our club success. Our annual dinner in March is approaching quickly. We will need all trophies returned for engraving by the January 24 meeting. We look forward to a great year!

Your PFC President,  
Ron Pfister

As you know, the officers and board members were voted on during the December 2001 meeting. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of the dedicated members who have offered their time to contribute to the club over the years. I am excited to welcome George Remien back as the newest member of the board. With only a one year reprieve from previous PFC duties, George was more than happy to offer his time, energy and experience once again. In addition, I would like to thank Mark Tutrani for stepping in as our club President for 2001. It's dedicated members like Mark that keep this club going.

### OFFICERS

President:	Ron Pfister
1 <sup>st</sup> VP:	Heidi LeLaidier
2 <sup>nd</sup> VP:	George Remien
Secretary:	Jason Remien
Treasurer:	John Tighe
Financial Secretary:	Cheryl Dippel

### DIRECTORS

Rich Steinbart
Vinny Smith
George Dietz
David Knieriemen
Tom Wasilewicz



**Chairman of the Board:** Mark Tutrani

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

Below you will find a listing of last year's committees and respective chairperson(s). Although the 2002 committee chairpersons are not finalized yet, I am confident that this year all committees will be taken very seriously. In the very near future you may receive a phone call from Ron or will be approached by any of the board members to chair a committee this year. In the end, you may find many committees being chaired by the same dedicated members who have been doing such a great job over the years. On the other hand, we always encourage new faces and ideas. Remember, **any adult** club member can chair a committee and you don't have to do it by yourself. As the chairperson of a committee, you can ask anyone else in the club for help to make your job easier. No matter what, I would like to thank all committee chairpersons (past, present, and future) for doing such a great job and look forward to an exciting 2002.

### 2001 COMMITTEES

Indoor*.....	<b>See Below</b>
Outdoor.....	Tom Ganetis
Charter Boat Trips.....	Tom Ganetis
Surf Tournaments.....	Ed Harrold, George Dietz
Fresh Water Tournament.....	Bill Rockwell
NY Surf Tournament.....	Heidi LeLaidier
Conservation.....	Gregg Maynard
Scales.....	Bill Rockwell
Weigh Master.....	Heidi LeLaidier
Fish of the Month.....	Heidi LeLaidier
Prizes.....	Ron Pfister
Rules & Records.....	Ed Harrold
Jackets.....	Tom Wasilewicz
Custodian.....	Leo DiDonato
Historian.....	John Tighe
Newsletter.....	Mark Tutrani
Good & Welfare.....	Cheryl Dippel
Publicity.....	Heidi LeLaidier
2001 Dinner.....	David Knieriemen
Weigh Boards.....	John Tighe, Heidi LeLaidier
Casting.....	George Remien
Picnic.....	Vinny & Teri Smith
Ladies Night.....	Mark & Toni Tutrani
150 Club.....	Rich Steinbart
Budget.....	Debbie Remien

\* The indoor committee is probably one of the most challenging yet can be very rewarding if taken seriously. This year, I would like to see one of our club members accept the challenge of organizing an indoor activity for most if not all of our meetings. This chairperson can't do it alone! It has to be a collaborative effort with the head chairperson making sure that things are running smoothly. I've heard some really good ideas for indoor activities. Now, we just need somebody to help make it all happen. Are you that person?

## COMMITTEE REPORTS - CONTINUED

### Outdoor

Attached to this newsletter you will find the 2001 Tournament results. Congratulations to all winners!

Although we don't have an official chairperson for this committee yet, Tom Ganetis suggested several exciting tournaments (and dates) for next year. We can discuss these and other great ideas at the January meeting.

### Indoor

One of our own club members, Don Schaefer, will be presenting fire extinguisher use/safety at the January meeting. We all have fire extinguishers at our homes and in our boats (I hope), but are you sure you have the right kind or know how to use them properly? Don will help answer those questions. Before the meeting, take a look at the kind of fire extinguishers you have and where they are located. You may find out you don't have the right kind.



Don, thanks ahead of time presenting in January.

### New York Surf Tournament

I don't think the final numbers are in I but think our numbers are a little better than last year thanks to a few dedicated surf fishing members in our club. We are still very close to last place and I know we can do much better this year. I understand that there are many surf fishermen in the club who are not sending in weigh slips for the contest. Some how this year, we need to come up with some kind of incentive for people to send in those weigh slips. Honestly, it could not have been any easier with Heidi running both committees. She really does most of the work for you. With that in mind, I would like to thank Heidi first for contributing to the club's total points and second for going the "extra mile" to help other club members get their weigh slips in on-time. The final standings for the tournament will be posted once they are finalized.

### Scales

Please clean up and lubricate your scales so they will be ready for calibration. Remember the following PFC contest rules:

1. All fish must be weighed in on a certified scale
2. Fish must be read in increments as specified by certification

Also, don't forget about the "digital weights to ounces" table prepared in the December 1999 newsletter. The weigh master will be using that table for converting digital weights (measured in 10<sup>ths</sup>) to ounces for the monthly prizes and annual standings. Extra copies of the table will be available at the next meeting.

### Jackets

We have plenty of new PFC T-shirts and hats. It's probably time to replace some worn down T-shirts or lost hats. Both will be available at the January meeting.

## COMMITTEE REPORTS - CONTINUED

### Fish of the Month

Below are most of the fish-of-the-month winners for the 2001 season. We will have the final list, including December's winner(s), available at the January meeting. Congratulations to all prize and trophy winners ahead of time.

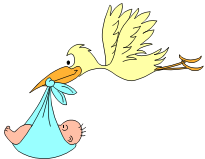
<u>Month</u>	<u>Member</u>	<u>Fish</u>	<u>Weight</u>
January	No fish weighed in this month		
February	No fish weighed in this month		
March	Lorry Mangan	Cod	10-0
April	George Dietz	Cod	18-0
May	David Bodnar	Striped Bass	18-0
June	Cliff Bennett	Striped Bass	34-8
June (Jr.)	Robert Roecklien	Striped Bass	10-0
July	Gregg Maynard	Tuna	71-0
July (Jr.)	Brian Roecklien	Striped Bass	10-0
August	Gregg Maynard	Tuna	80-0
August (Jr.)	Matt Pfister	Bluefish	6-4
September	Joel Fumuso	Striped Bass	27-4
October	Neil VanGinhoven	Striped Bass	28-0
November	Vinny Smith	Striped Bass	28-0
November (Jr.)	Andy Mistina	Blackfish	8-8

### **Congratulations to all Winners!!**

### Prizes

As Ron mentioned in his message, those members who have trophies in their possession need to return them to the club **ASAP!!** The names of the 2001 winners must be engraved before the annual dinner dance on March 2<sup>nd</sup>. Thanks!

### Good & Welfare



As far as I know, all good news. Tom Wasilewicz is recovering very well from a recent surgery and three members of the club, Rich Steinbart, Jason Remien, and Alex Segarra, are each expecting a child in 2002. Congratulations!

### Dues

We will start collecting dues at the January meeting. Below, you will find the dues for 2002:

Adult member:	\$45
Senior member:	\$30
Spouse of adult member:	\$25
Junior member:	\$10
Child of member:	\$5

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS - CONTINUED**

### **150 Club**

It's that time of the year again! As usual, every member will be responsible for selling and/or buying at least (2) 150 Club tickets (\$10/ticket).

We are going to do things a little different this year. To say the least, the past several years have been very challenging for the 150 club chairperson to sell the tickets in a reasonable time frame. In 2001, the club ended buying approximately \$200 worth just to get the drawing going. Luckily, we already won most of the money back. This year, when you pay your dues, you will be handed an envelope with three items in it: Your club membership card and two 150 club tickets that you will be responsible for selling or buying yourself. The club will still depend on some members selling more than two tickets since we don't have enough adult members to make 150 but at least this way every member will be responsible for at least two tickets. Let's hope this new method will allow us to begin the drawings on time this year. Thanks and GOOD LUCK!

### **2001 Dinner**

Plans for the dinner are coming along. David Knieriemen has the Sunset Harbor booked for March 2, 2001. Details to come in the February newsletter.

### **PFC Regular Meeting Schedule**

Attached, you will find the proposed 2002 schedule that will be voted upon at the January meeting. Please take a look at the dates and make sure we did not schedule a meeting on or near any holidays. Thanks!

### **Address & Phone Number List**

The PFC address and phone directory will be available at the January meeting. Please take a look at it during the meeting and let me know if any address, phone number, and/or e-mail addresses need to be changed.

### **Current Standings**

Also attached are the current standings as of December 18, 2001. Heidi will have the final standings available at the meeting in January.

**SEE YOU AT THE MEETING!!**

**RON & JASON**

**2002**

# **PROPOSED** **PFC MEETING SCHEDULE**

Most meetings will be held on the 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of the month  
(Please see below) at the Blue Point Cottage (Henrietta  
Acampora Recreation Center) from 8:00 - 10:00 p.m.

<b>JANUARY</b>	<b>24</b>
<b>FEBRUARY</b>	<b>28</b>
<b>MARCH</b>	<b>21</b>
<b>APRIL</b>	<b>25</b>
<b>MAY</b>	<b>23</b>
<b>JUNE</b>	<b>27</b>
<b>JULY</b>	<b>PFC ANNUAL GEORGE DIETZ PICNIC</b>
<b>AUGUST</b>	<b>NO MEETING</b>
<b>SEPTEMBER</b>	<b>26</b>
<b>OCTOBER</b>	<b>24</b>
<b>NOVEMBER</b>	<b>LADIES NIGHT (November 1<sup>st</sup>)</b>
<b>DECEMBER</b>	<b>19</b>

