



# **PATCHOGUE FISHING CLUB**

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## **MAY 2002 NEWSLETTER**

A **3 pound 8 ounce** weakfish caught by Tom Ganetis took 1<sup>st</sup> place in the May 4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup> weakfish tournament. Ed Harold placed 2<sup>nd</sup> with a **3 pound 4 ounce** weakfish. Unfortunately, there were no other fish weighed in and therefore no third place prize. I know that several club members came out and braved the elements on Saturday and Sunday in an attempt to catch that first weakfish of the 2002 season but alas the weakfish were not quite ready to bite yet. It was fun to fish with some fellow club members on the Laura Lee out of Captree Saturday night even though only one weakfish was caught on the entire boat. I wish I had a better report for the weakfish tournament but we have to hand it to Tom and Ed for managing to pick a few out of the water to win some prizes. Congratulations Tom and Ed!

If you missed out on the first two tournaments of 2002, don't worry, we have another coming up this weekend and one just around the corner in June. Get ready to make that trek out east for the weakfish/bluefish/fluke tournament in the Peconic Bay this Sunday and dust off your freshwater fishing gear and don't miss our annual freshwater tournament to be held on Sunday, June 2<sup>nd</sup>. Bill Rockwell will once again be running the show at Mill Pond in Patchogue. Details on both tournaments can be found in the outdoor committee section of this newsletter. Good Luck!

NEXT REGULAR CLUB MEETING WILL BE HELD ON:

**MAY 23, 2002**

**Where:** Blue Point Cottage

**Time:** 8:00 p.m.

**Indoor:** TBD

*Coffee and Donuts will be served*

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

### Outdoor

Please see the attached "TOURNAMENT REMINDER" for details on the two upcoming tournaments.

Additional notes for the Peconic Bay Tournament:

- Remember, if you don't have a boat or know somebody who owns one; get on one of the many open boats on the North Fork. The weigh-in is later in the afternoon in order to accommodate those without a boat.
- In order to have more club members win prizes, only one fish per member can be weighed in for a prize. In other words, you can't win 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> place in one category and then place again in another category.
- A map and chart have also been included in this newsletter for additional information.

### Indoor

Thanks to Ron Pfister we had the Coast Guard Auxiliary at the April meeting. Three members of the Coast Guard Auxiliary took turns discussing various topics related to New York State and Federal requirements and safety tips for recreational boating. Handouts were available to club members for future reference.

I have not had an opportunity to discuss the scheduled indoor activities with the committee chairman for this month but I know he has a couple of Captains willing to join us during one of our meeting to discuss the 2001 season and what we can expect from the 2002 season. The board has also been discussing the possibility of another Chinese Auction in the near future so start getting prepared and clean out your tackle boxes.

### Scales

If you have not had an opportunity to get your scales certified yet, don't worry. The club voted and agreed to allow club members with certified scales from 2001 to use those scales until they can be certified by Bill for the 2002 season.

In addition, J&J Tackle is allowing the club to use their certified scale for use during club tournaments weigh-ins.

### Fish of the Month

<u>Month</u>	<u>Member</u>	<u>Fish</u>	<u>Weight</u>
January	No fish weighed in		
February	No fish weighed in		
March	Tom Ganetis	Flounder	2-8

*APRIL WINNER TO BE ANNOUNCED AT MAY MEETING*

### **Picnic**

Don't forget to mark your calendar for the George Dietz Annual PFC Picnic on **July 28, 2002**. Hope to see everyone there!

### **150 Club**

George Remien has informed me that he plans to have the first drawing in May so let's try to buy/sell the rest of the tickets by the next meeting.

**Note:** At next week's meeting we will draw winners for March, April and May in order to avoid having to make the 10<sup>th</sup> drawing in January 2003.

### **New Members**

I am very excited to report that we had another new member join us at the April meeting. Please welcome *Christopher Style*, a family member of George Dietz, to the club.

**SEE YOU AT THE MEETING!!**

**RON & JASON**