



# PATCHOGUE FISHING CLUB

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## NOVEMBER/DECEMBER 2002 NEWSLETTER

Can you believe that Thanksgiving is less than two weeks away! The hustle and bustle of the holidays is just around the corner..... I hope everyone is ready. I'm going to try something a little different this year. I'm sending the "December" newsletter out a bit early. Since we already had our November meeting (Ladies Night) I wanted to get a head start on reminders prior to the December meeting.

With that in mind, don't forget that we will vote for the 2003 officers at the December meeting. The nominated members were announced at Ladies Night on November 1<sup>st</sup> as is tradition and are listed under the committee reports.

For those of you who will be unable to join us at the December meeting, let me along with the rest of the Board of Directors take this chance to wish you a.....



NEXT REGULAR CLUB MEETING WILL BE HELD ON:

**DECEMBER 19, 2002**

Where: Blue Point Cottage

Time: 8:00 p.m.

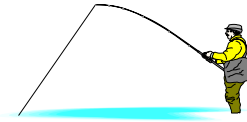
*Coffee and Donuts will be served*

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

### Outdoor



### SURF TOURNAMENTS



Just in case you have not noticed we have not had too many nice weekends as of late. The October 26-27 tournament was blown out and rescheduled for the following weekend. Luckily, some quality fish were caught some time between November 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>. At least six (6) members fished the tournament and the following are the final results:

1 <sup>st</sup> Place:	Don Schaefer	14-0	Bluefish
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place:	Tom Ganetis	10-6	Bluefish
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place:	Bob Smith	9-12	Bluefish

The next surf tournament is this upcoming weekend (November 23-24). It will start on Saturday at 6:00 a.m. and end on Sunday at 3:00 p.m. Anglers may fish from Long Cove (FINS) all the way to the east side of Moriches Inlet (Cupsogue). Any bass, blue, or weakfish caught during the tournament can be weighed at the following places:

- J&J Tackle
- Find George Dietz on the beach (white Ford Explorer)

The final weigh-in will be held at the Smith Point air pumps (Sunday, 3:00-3:30 p.m.). **GOOD LUCK!**

### BLACKFISH TOURNAMENT

When: December 1, 2002  
Where: Orient Point (Nancy Ann)  
Time: 7:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. (**Boat will leave the dock at 7:00 a.m.**)  
Cost: \$75 per person including a 15% tip for mate (Assuming 15 people go)  
Prizes: Largest Blackfish (1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Place Prizes)  
Want to go? Call Joel Fumuso at 821-8084

Joel reports that approximately 15 people are signed up so far. The boat fishes 20 people very comfortably. With that in mind, the cut off for the tournament will be 20 (first come, first serve). Of course, if we end up with a couple of extra in the end that should be O.K. with the captain. Now, as far as cancellations are concerned.....normally the club cancels a boat tournament when there are small craft warnings but in this case, the captain may not necessarily cancel because they feel they can “tuck” themselves in a spot away from the wind. So, to avoid any issues, if there is a small craft warning the morning of December 1<sup>st</sup> the tournament will be cancelled **but the charter will still be on.** If the weather really looks bad and you don’t want to make the trip out to Orient Point to find out the charter is cancelled give Joel Fumuso a call at 821-8084 the night before the trip. Joel should know after 6:00 p.m. if the trip is on or off. Sorry for the drawn out explanation but it wouldn’t be fare to Nancy Ann’s crew if the entire club decides not to show up because of a small craft warning that may not be so bad in the end.

## COMMITTEE REPORTS – Continued

### Indoor

The Chinese Auction was very successful. We had a great turnout and many club members brought in fishing gear. In the end, the club made \$168. Thanks to all those that donated and helped set up for the auction.

### 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	Ed Harrold	Blackfish	11-8
April (Jr.)	Andy Mistina	Flounder	2-4
May	David Bodnar	Striped Bass	25-2
June	Andy Polcha	Striped Bass	22-0
July	David Bodnar	Striped Bass	37-8
August	Steve Musso	Striped Bass	18-0
August (Jr.)	Dylan Jewel	Bluefish	9-0
September	Lorry Mangan	Striped Bass	28-0
October	Joe Mistina	Tuna	61-0

*Congratulations Joe!!*

### Prizes

George Remien reports that all prizes are up to date. He will have the prizes for the Surf Fishing Tournaments and the Blackfish Tournament.

### Rules and Records

The two new proposed rule changes (see below) were voted upon during the October meeting and accepted. Now, with that out of the way, the Constitution and By-Laws of the Patchogue Fishing Club will be updated. Revised copies will be available for distribution in 2003.

- Include a dues exemption to those members serving in the armed forces.
- Allow any people living on Long Island to become members of the PFC. In other words, remove the Suffolk County limitation.

### Ladies Night

Mark and Toni did it again! They managed to fill up an entire side of the room at Sunset Harbor with wonderful prizes. Mark reported that the other side of the room was filled with 47 club members and guests on November 1<sup>st</sup>. In the end, approximately \$297 will come back to the club. This of course would not happen if it weren't for the fact that Mark and Toni donated some of the Chinese auction prizes and all of the wine bottles for the bingo prizes. The extra money made from the basket of cheer also contributed to the successful night. The bottom line is that all had a great time.

## COMMITTEE REPORTS - Continued

Mark and Toni would like to thank:

- David Knieriemen for helping set up the prizes
- Carl Dippel for calling a very quick and efficient bingo game
- Rich for helping dole out the prizes
- All those that helped sell tickets
- And most of all everyone for coming to Ladies Night.

On behalf of the club, I would like to thank Mark and Toni for the time and effort they put into making Ladies Night a great success once again.

### **Dinner Dance**

Mark your calendars! David Knieriemen has booked the Sunset Harbor for the annual PFC Dinner Dance. This year, the dance will be held on Saturday, March 15, 2003. There will be more information to come in future newsletters.

### **Nominations for 2003**

#### **OFFICERS**

President:	Ron Pfister
1 <sup>st</sup> Vice President:	George Remien
2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice President:	Alex Segarra
Secretary:	Jason Remien
Financial Secretary:	Cheryl Dippel
Treasurer:	John Tighe

Chairman of the Board: Mark Tutrani

#### **BOARD**

1 <sup>st</sup> Year:	George Dietz David Knieriemen Tom Wasilewicz
2 <sup>nd</sup> Year:	Vinny Smith Rich Steinbart

### **Current Standings**

Please go to our website to see the latest and greatest standings for our club. Both Cheryl and Carl are working very hard to keep the standings up to date so you can check it out at any time.

**SEE YOU AT THE MEETING!!**

**RON & JASON**