



Patchogue Fishing Club

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April 2008 Newsletter

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NEXT REGULAR CLUB MEETING WILL BE HELD ON:

April 24, 2008



Where: Blue Point Cottage
Time: 8:00 p.m.

Coffee and donuts will be served.

Committee Reports

Scales



Unfortunately, Bill Rockwell will not be at the April meeting to calibrate scales. Scales that were handed in last month will be ready for pickup. If you still have not calibrated your scales and want to drop them off at the April meeting, Bill will be able to calibrate them over the next month and bring them in at the May meeting. Also, arrangements can be made to drop them off and/or pick scales up at Bill's house.

Good & Welfare



We are very sorry to report that Neil VanGinhoven's father, Hans, passed away. Our sympathy goes out to you and your family at this sad time, Neil.

Historian



John is continuing to do an outstanding job keeping our scrapbooks up to date. Pictures from the 2008 Annual Dinner Dance have been added.

Indoor



April

Don't forget...Captain Jerry McGrath will be joining us at the April meeting. Capt. McGrath is an avid fisherman, an award winning adult education instructor, and a former Montauk charter boat skipper. He has authored articles for sportfishing publications, given numerous lectures throughout the Long Island and New York Metropolitan Area, and has produced an instructional video titled "Sportfishing On Long Island". Join us on Thurs, April 24, 2008 for what should be a fun-filled, educational and exciting experience.

Capt. McGrath will be providing a Blackfish Seminar. See below for details:



Bottom fishing is a fun and popular activity practiced by many Long Island anglers. Blackfish, also known as tautog, have earned a reputation as one of the most pugnacious and challenging fish to catch from the sea bottoms of our Long Island waters. Jerry McGrath will give a multimedia presentation on everything you need to know to reel in the elusive tautog. During the program Jerry will discuss bait selection, rigging, and tackle choices, as well as how to locate large "bulldog" blackfish.

May

Patrick Maloit from the NOAA Weather Bureau in Upton, New York will be speaking at the May 22nd regular meeting. Thanks to John Tighe for arranging this indoor activity.

Also, if you would like to learn how to fly cast, Don Schaefer has graciously agreed to coordinate a lesson prior to the regular May meeting. The lesson will be held in the baseball field just north of the Blue Point Cottage prior to the meeting. If you have your own equipment please bring it with you. If not, don't worry...Don has extra and will lend it out for the lesson. Either way, please contact Don prior to the meeting if you are interested (289-5664). This way, he knows who to expect and how much extra equipment to bring.

June

If no other speakers are identified, the PFC will hold its annual Chinese Auction in June. By this time everyone should have gone through and organized all of their fishing gear collected over the years. Hopefully, while organizing, everybody can find a couple of "articles" they could donate to the club for the Chinese Auction. Proceeds will be used to supplement various club committees.

150 Club



Anyone interested in buying or selling extra tickets should speak to Don Schafer.

Prizes



Please let George Remien know if you have any suggestions for new places to get gift certificates and other prizes for the club.

Rules & Records

A new copy of the club's revised Constitution and By-Laws will be available soon (both hard copies and on the website).

2009 Dinner



We need a volunteer to organize the 2009 Dinner Dance. Please let Jim Smith know as soon as possible if you are willing to help out. Thanks!

Dues



Carl will continue collecting dues at the April meeting.

Please remember that this is the last meeting to pay your annual dues and still remain in good standing. Similar to last year, we will be collecting dues and the obligatory 150 tickets together. So be prepared to pay for both. Here are the rates for 2008:

Adult Member + two 150 Club Tickets	\$80.00
Senior Member + two 150 Club Tickets	\$65.00
Spouse + two 150 Club Tickets	\$60.00
Life + two 150 Club Tickets.....	\$20.00
Junior Member	\$25.00

Additional 150 Club tickets will be available.

Junior members are not obliged to purchase 150 Club tickets.

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



Since we are no longer reading the minutes during the meetings, look for them on the website:

April Birthdays



5 th	Charlie Moffett	23 rd	Harvey Holmes
14 th	Joel Fumuso	25 th	Tom Pfister
17 th	Ron Pfister	29 th	Mark Tutrani
20 th	Jen LeLaidier		

Happy Birthday to all the members who were born in April!

If we forgot a birthday please let Cheryl Dippel know and we'll make sure to recognize this special occasion in the next newsletter.

Fish of the Month



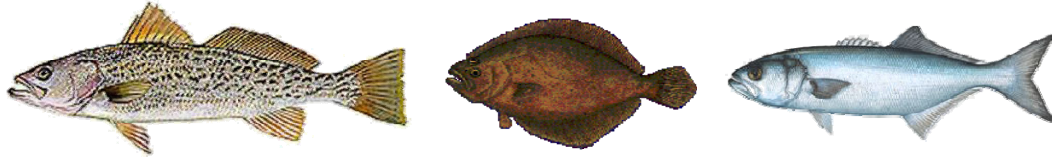
April's prize goes to Chuck Moffett with an 11 pound 4 ounce Cod. Congratulations Chuck!

Outdoor



Unfortunately, the April 12th Codfish Tournament was cancelled due to inclement weather. The outdoor committee will consider coordinating another tournament this year to make up for this cancellation.

UPCOMING TOURNAMENTS



NOTE: Peconic Bay Tournament was changed to Saturday, May 17th, 2008 in hopes of the fluke season being opened by that time.

PECONIC BAY TOURNAMENT

Date: Saturday, May 17, 2008 (Date subject to Season Opening Date)
 Time: Sunrise – 4pm
 Place: Peconic Bay
 Weigh in: From 4 – 4:30pm at the Manhasset Avenue Launching Ramp (Gull Pond)
 Prizes: TBD

Details on the Peconic Bay Tournament will be provided at the April meeting. If you plan on fishing this tournament please make sure you attend the April meeting. If you have any questions or comments regarding any of the scheduled tournaments please contact:

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Upcoming Meetings

Regular Meetings

Type	Date	Time	Location
Informal	28-Feb	8pm	Blue Point Cottage
Informal	27-Mar	8pm	Blue Point Cottage
Business	24-Apr	8pm	Blue Point Cottage
Informal	22-May	8pm	Blue Point Cottage
Informal	26-Jun	8pm	Blue Point Cottage
Casting Picnic	27-Jul	8am Noon	Cathedral Pines
no meeting in August			
Business	25-Sep	8pm	Blue Point Cottage
Informal	23-Oct	8pm	Blue Point Cottage
Ladies Night	TBD	TBD	TBD
Business	18-Dec	8pm	Blue Point Cottage

Directors' Meetings

Day	Date	Time	Location
Wed	19-Mar	8pm	Heidi LeLaidier
Wed	16-Apr	8pm	Matt Werner
Wed	14-May	8pm	Mark Tutrani
Wed	18-Jun	8pm	Ron Pfister
no meeting in July			
no meeting in August			
Wed	17-Sep	8pm	Don Schaefer
Wed	15-Oct	8pm	Tom Ganetis
Wed	19-Nov	8pm	John Tighe
no meeting in December			