



Patchogue Fishing Club

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March Newsletter



Presidents Message

Happy Spring everyone! What a wonderful time of the year! The grass starts to get greener, the birds sing sweeter and everyone seems to have a “spring “in their step. Days are getting longer now, and before you know it the fish will be biting and another fishing season will have begun. I hope you are ready!

See you at the meeting.

Heidi LeLaidier

NEXT REGULAR CLUB MEETING WILL BE HELD ON:



March 26, 2009

Where: Blue Point Cottage

Time: 8:00 p.m.

Coffee and donuts will be served

Committee Reports



Outdoor

The Board members discussed the possibility of adding tournaments to the 2009 schedule so that there will be at least one tournament each month during the summer and fall months. Matt will discuss a few of the proposals at the meeting. It is our hope that with better communication before and after each tournament there will be more club participation. As always, we welcome any and all suggestions from the membership, so please do not hesitate to voice your opinion or suggestions!



Indoor

The Board of Directors is still looking for a member or a few members to chair this committee. As you all know, it takes many hands to get things done. Many of us on the Board wear several hats. The requirement of this committee is simply to make a few calls to people you might find interesting, and who would not mind coming to speak to our club. They can be people from the fishing community, or perhaps even someone with an interesting hobby or job, it is up to you. We already have Kadir Akturk from Aquaskins who will speaking at the May meeting, Mark Tutrani is working on getting Al Goldberg to speak at the April meeting and our annual Chinese Auction which will most likely be held in the fall. That leaves three meetings with nothing scheduled, so step right up and join the fun in bringing new and interesting speakers to our club.



Scales

Bill will be at the March meeting, so remember to clean your scales, oil them up and bring them in to be certified. A reminder to all who participate in the New York Surf Fishing Contest, your scales must be certified by the club if you plan on practicing catch and release.



Fish of the Month

Congratulations to Greg Maynard the winner for February. Greg caught a beautiful 25 lb Cod. Great Job!



New York Surf Fishing Tournament

I will have an information packet to hand out at the meeting with all the information you will need including weigh slips.



Jackets

Ron continues to do a terrific job on this committee and is always working on offering new merchandise and alternative designs. Thanks Ron! We also have plenty of PFC mugs. If you would like a mug, please see me.



Historian

John reports that the album is up to date. We all look forward to seeing the latest addition of photos from the Dance. Thank you John!



Prizes

All prizes have been distributed. Thank you George!



150 Club

150 Club tickets continue to be sold. If you would like to sell some tickets to friends or family, please see Don. Also I would like to take this opportunity to recognize Don for the great job he is doing. Thank you Don!



2009 Dinner Dance

The annual Dinner Dance was an amazing success. **THANK YOU JOHN AND VIVI TIGHE!** There were a total of 42 members in attendance, and from the feedback I've heard, everyone had a great time. There was a new trophy added this year. The "George Dietz Memorial Trophy" which will be awarded annually for the largest fluke was designed and built by Ron Pfister. While there were many special moments during the course of the evening, Ron's presentation to the club of his creation was the one that I think was the most moving. Thank you Ron for your creativity, and congratulations to Mark Tutrani, the first recipient of the Trophy.



Dues

Annual membership dues are now being collected.

Similar to last year, we will be collecting dues and the obligatory 150 tickets together. So be prepared to pay for both. Dues are due as of January 1st, and have to be paid by the April Meeting to remain a member in good standing. Here are the rates for 2009 (No changes):

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*

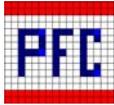
Additional 150 Club tickets will be available.

*Junior members are not obliged to purchase 150 Club tickets.



Newsletter

This year, again, anyone who has internet access will receive their newsletter electronically. We have done this in an effort to save money and time. 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. Many thanks to Carl, our illustrious webmaster for keeping the PFC site up and running. We couldn't do it without you!



March Birthdays

23rd Lorry Mangan

Happy Birthday Lorry! If your birthday is in March, Happy Birthday! Please let me know so I can update our records.



Good & Welfare

Jeff Maggio is recovering from his surgery. We all wish you a very speedy recovery!



Ladies Night

The shopping has ended, and the date has been set for our Ladies Night celebration! This year Ladies Night will be held on Saturday November 7th. Mark your calendars please for this popular night of fun!



Picnic & Casting

Mark your calendars everyone for the annual family picnic and casting competition! As always it will be held at Cathedral Pines on Sunday, July 26. Casting begins at 8:00am. The Picnic starts at noon.



New Business

Cheryl and Carl Dippel suggested that the club and its members work together this year to try and come up with ways to improve our social activities. Perhaps we can plan a family day at a Ducks game, or a Family Day at the Beach with a BBQ, a holiday party, or a Pot luck supper at one of the meetings, the possibilities are endless. We will have an open discussion at the meeting, so if you have any other ideas, please share them! Getting back to basics with family and friends, enjoying the simpler things in life sounds like a good thing to me, how about you?

Upcoming Meetings



Regular Meetings

Type	Date	Time	Location
Business	22-Jan	8pm	Blue Point Cottage
Informal	26-Feb	8pm	Blue Point Cottage
Dinner	14-Mar	7pm	Sunset Harbor
Informal	26-Mar	8pm	Blue Point Cottage
Business	23-Apr	8pm	Blue Point Cottage
Informal	28-May	8pm	Blue Point Cottage
Informal	25-Jun	8pm	Blue Point Cottage
Casting Picnic	TBD	8am Noon	Cathedral Pines
no meeting in August			
Business	24-Sep	8pm	Blue Point Cottage
Informal	22-Oct	8pm	Blue Point Cottage
Ladies Night	TBD	7pm	TBD
Business	17-Dec	8pm	Blue Point Cottage