



Patchogue Fishing Club

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July Newsletter



Presidents Message

Hey everybody! I hope this finds you all enjoying the summer and staying cool during these hot days! Although we usually do not have a newsletter in July or August, I'm trying something new! This will be an informational one with no real committee reports. If anyone has any fishing excursions that they would like to share, or any other news, please send me an email at bchglass2000@yahoo.com and I will get it in the August edition.

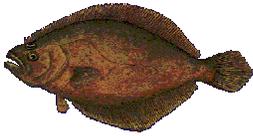
Just a few quick reminders, our annual family picnic is this coming Sunday. Please be sure to see the attached info page at the end of the newsletter for more details. Also, since we do not have a meeting until the end of September, information for the next two tournaments is also listed.

Finally, do not forget to weigh in and photograph your Sea Robin, Skate or Dogfish for the Junkfish category! Remember creativity in the photos is a key element, so have fun with it!

See you at the picnic!

Heidi LeLaidier

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR THE FOLLOWING TOURNAMENTS:



SOUTH SHORE

Species: Fluke

Date: August 28th & 29th

Time: Sunrise Saturday to 4:30pm Sunday

Place: Fire Island Inlet to Shinnecock Inlet

Weigh in: any time up to 4:30pm on the Sunday at J&J Tackle

Prizes: 1st & 2nd place



SNAPPER DERBY

Species: Snappers & Blue Claw Crabs

Date: Sunday, Sept. 12

Time: 9am-1pm

Place: Newport Beach, East Moriches

Weigh in: At Newport Beach

Teams: One adult & one child; only one must be PFC member.

Prizes: First, Most, & Largest Snapper

FRESHWATER TOURNAMENT RESULTS:

We had nine members fish Patchogue Mill Pond on June 27, 2010. The Lake was very overgrown with aquatic plants which made moving around and fishing a bit tough. It was very hot and the slight shower that occurred was a short relief to the heat. Several anglers fished with live freshwater shiners purchased from J&J Tackle and had some success.

Tom Wasilewicz had the best luck shore fishing. He weighed-in a 2lb 8oz largemouth bass and a 14oz pickerel. The only other weigh-in was by Tom Ganetis with a 9 oz pickerel which was released. Cliff Bennet fished with me (Bill R.) and had a nice largemouth next to my canoe but it spit the small bluegill before we could land it. Bob Cromeyn fished in his own boat and Joe Phelan fished from his boat with Tom Ganetis. Chris Moffet, Rich Steinbart and his son tried from the shore.

Bill Rockwell



CONGRATULATIONS TOM!



Congratulations Tom!

"Miracles" at 50 miles out

For the past seven years, my Florida neighbor has taken me salt water fishing out in the Gulf of Mexico, due west from Bonita Springs. We always caught all types of grouper, but never legal size (more than 24 inches). Each trip, conditions permitting, we would venture further out, after catching sufficient bait fish 3-5 miles off shore (blue runners, various small snappers, perch, grunts etc.). Despite our long boat trips and fresh bait, no keepers. Plenty of sun.

However, finally on Saturday, May 1, 2010 after trying five different "Hot" GPS spots, we decided to go out further, at least fifty miles. Although that far out, the water depth was only 80 feet. The trip was worth it.

We finally caught various grouper and red snapper. I managed to land an 8lb.4oz. gag grouper, just over 24 inches. Grouper are very similar to blackfish in that once hooked, they dive and get into bottom structures to prevent being reeled in. A great fighting fish and excellent eating.

During our time at this spot, we noticed a small bird on the rod tip in the corner of the stern. Despite photographing it with a digital camera very close up, the bird stayed put for over a half an hour. It had beautiful tropical colors and did not seem to fear us. After examining its picture and comparing it to local birds in a Florida bird book, it was definitely from Mexico, and named appropriately, a Cliff Swallow. Nice experience. The guy in the picture to my left is my good friend Larry Pierce from Buffalo.

Cliff Bennett



CLIFF SWALLOW



Cliff Bennett with 8lb 4oz Gag Grouper and good friend Larry Pierce.

CONGRATULATIONS CLIFF



Marine Recreational Fisheries Regulations

With all the changes in the regs as of late, here are the current ones for your information. As updates are made available, this list will be updated as well. NOTE: All measurements are total length.

BLACKFISH: SIZE: 14 inch minimum. BAG LIMIT: 4 (four) fish per day.
SEASON: Jan 17-April 30 and Oct 1- Dec 20.

BLUEFISH: SIZE: No size limit. BAG LIMIT: 15 (fifteen) fish per day; however no more than 10 may be under 12 inches. SEASON: Open all year.

COD: SIZE: 22 inch minimum in state waters. BAG LIMIT: No bag limit.
SEASON: Open all year.

FLUKE: SIZE: 21 inch minimum. BAG LIMIT: 2 (two) fish per day.
SEASON: Open: May 15 through Sept 4.

FLOUNDER: SIZE: 12 inch minimum. BAG LIMIT: 2 (two) fish per day. Season:
Open only April 1-May 30 in all Marine waters.

POLLOCK: SIZE: 19 inch minimum. BAG LIMIT: None SEASON: Open all year.

PORGY: SIZE: 11 inch minimum. Party Boat Anglers: Season: June 8-Sept 6:
10 (ten) fish per day. Sept 7- Oct 15: 40 (forty) fish per day
Private/Rental Boat: SIZE: 10.5 inch minimum. Season: May 24-Sept 26: 10 (ten) fish
per day.

SEA BASS: SIZE: 12.5 inch minimum. BAG LIMIT: 25 (twenty five) fish per day
SEASON: May 22-Sept 12

STRIPED BASS: ALL MARINE WATERS SOUTH OF GW BRIDGE: SIZE: 1(one) fish
per day 28-40 inches and 1(one) fish over 40 inches*. SEASON: April 15- Dec 15.
*Party/Charter Boats: 2 (two) fish per day 28 inch minimum.
HUDSON RIVER NORTH OF GW BRIDGE: SIZE: 18 inch minimum BAG LIMIT:
1(one) fish per day. SEASON: March 16-Nov 30.

WEAKFISH: SIZE: 16 inch minimum. BAG LIMIT: 6 (six) fish per day.
SEASON: Open all year.



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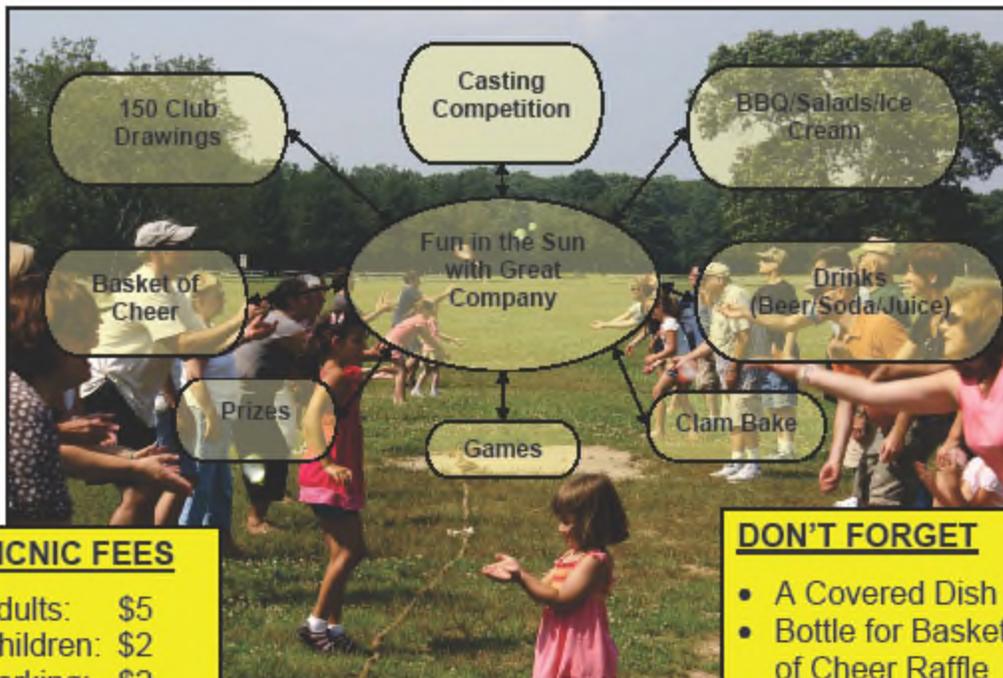


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AND
 THE ANNUAL JIM BELMONTE
 CASTING TOURNAMENT



WHEN: SUNDAY, JULY 25
 WHERE: CATHEDRAL PINES
 TIME: CASTING – 8:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.**
 PICNIC – 12:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.



PICNIC FEES
 Adults: \$5
 Children: \$2
 Parking: \$2

DON'T FORGET

- A Covered Dish
- Bottle for Basket of Cheer Raffle

***Club members who would like to participate in the casting competition MUST be signed up to cast by 10:30 a.m. in order to be eligible to cast.*