

Patchogue Fishing Club

P.O. Box 808; Patchogue, NY 11772 www.pfc1938.com



February Newsletter



Happy February everyone! I hope everyone had a wonderful Valentine's Day and if you were lucky enough to get away this week for Winter Break, lucky you! For all the rest of us, never fear...spring is near, although with the return of some snow today, that is hard to believe!

So, to help us get in the mood for spring, below are some of the upcoming tackle and trade shows not to mention Boat shows to get us thinking of warmer weather!

- Feb 26-27, 2011 at the SCCC Campus in Brentwood is the Suffolk County Boat & Sport fishing Show. This event has a full slate of seminars that are sponsored by the Fisherman. For additional information call 631-834-1355 or visit www.suffolkboatshow.com.
- Feb 27th is also the date for the East Meadow Fishing Flea Market held at the Temple Emanu-el located at 123 Merrick Ave in East Meadow. Hours are from 9 am to 3 pm. Admission is \$4. New and Used fishing tackle is available for sale as well as antique fishing tackle items for you collectors. For more info call 1-718-998-8794.
- March 5th brings us the annual Decoy, Fishing Tackle & Sporting Collectables Show at the IBEW Union Hall, 370 Vanderbilt/Motor Parkway in Hauppauge from 9am – 4pm. Admission is \$6.00 or if you have the flyer or ad, \$5.00. This year there will be Featured Exhibits: Surf Lure Collection of Frank Pintauro and Feather Hunting Display by Frank and Honey Murphy.
- March 3-6 is the big weekend at Suffern, where there's something for everyone. Hours are as follows: Thursday 2pm-9pm, Friday 1pm-9pm, Saturday 9:30 am-5pm, and Sunday 9:30 am-5pm. Adult admission is \$13, and Children under 12 are \$3. For more information visit www.sportshows.com
- March 12-13 is the weekend for the Long Island Recreational Fishing
 Expo. It will be held at Fitzgerald Gym at Queens College. Hours are 10am
 -6 pm on Saturday and from 9am to 4 pm on Sunday. All proceeds benefit

- the NY Coalition for Recreational Fishing. For more info call 1-516-647-8492 or visit www.longislandfishingexpo.com.
- Lastly, the weekend of March 18-20 at the Garden State Exhibit Center in Somerset, NJ is the site for the Saltwater Fishing Expo. Beau and I have gone to this show and I must say it was definitely worth the trip. For more info go to www.sportshows.com.

Our Annual Dinner Dance is fast approaching so please RSVP as soon as possible.

See you at the meeting.

NEXT REGULAR CLUB MEETING WILL BE HELD ON:



February 24,2011

Where: Blue Point Cottage

Time: 8:00 p.m.

Coffee and donuts will be served

Committee Reports



Conservation



There is talk of the new Fluke Regs for the coming season. The quick version is 3 fish per day at 20 ½" with a little longer season. More details will follow.

New York Surf Fishing Tournament

Heidi will be attending the annual meeting in March. Below is one rule change that has been proposed that will presented to the membership and discussed at the meeting. "...High Hill proposes that any member of any participating club who is found to be bartering or selling fish as described in the existing rules of the State Contest shall be prohibited for life from participation in the contest."



Indoor

The line up so far is as follows:

March: We will be watching a Video on Redfishing June: Our annual Chinese Auction/Pizza Night

December: Our 2nd annual Holiday Party

If anyone has any suggestions, PLEASE be brave and suggest it to one of the Board members! We are always looking for new ideas to make our meetings more informative and fun!



Scales

Bill will be at the February Meeting, so clean up your scales, oil them and bring them in to be certified. Remember, if you participate in the New York Surf Fishing Contest, your scales must be certified by the club if you plan on practicing catch and release.



Congratulations to Gregg Maynard for his 11 lb Cod! There were no Junior Member winners.



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 talk to Heidi LeLaidier.

Historian

John reports that the album is up to date and will bringing it to the meeting. Thank you for your hard work and for helping us to keep adding chapters to the club's history!



Prizes

George Remien is requesting the return of all annual trophies ASAP.

Please remember to bring your trophy to the meeting so we can prepare them for the next recipients.

150 Club



Tickets will be sold at the same time dues are collected. As always, if you would like to get friends and family in on the fun, ask Carl for additional tickets to sell!



2011 Dinner Dance

The Annual Dinner Dance is quickly approaching. Be sure to mark your calendars for Saturday, March 19th at the Sunset Harbor. Cocktail hour begins at 7 pm. Dinner and festivities to follow at 8pm. The cost is \$45 per person. John reports that there have been 26 responses to date! This year we will not be having a DJ, however Sunset Harbor has agreed to let us use their sound system. So, if you are handy with making music CD's, feel free to make a music mix cd to play at the dance, or bring in your IPods...George Remien will be mixing it up for us!

Note: Please bring one bottle of wine or other liquor for the basket of cheer that will be raffled at the end of the night. Thank You all for your continued generosity!



Dues

This year's 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 2011 (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*
	T

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.



<u>Website</u>

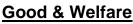
The website has been updated. Please stop by and check it out. Carl does a wonderful job of maintaining it and there are lots of great links! Thank you Carl!



February Birthdays

3rd Cheryl Dippel 15th Bette Herold 4th Bill Rockwell 18th Tisha Werner 11th Heidi Lelaidier 19th Jeff Maggio 12th Neil VanGinhoven Jr

Happy Birthday to all the "Aquarian" members who were born in February!







Ladies Night

Cheryl Dippel, Heidi LeLaidier, Vivi Tighe and Delis Remien will be chairing the Ladies Night committee this year. While we have mighty big shoes to fill, we are hoping that you all will enjoy what we are planning...Stay tuned for updates!

Annual Picnic and Casting

Jason will be securing the date shortly.

Unfinished Business

Debbie will have the 2010 Audit completed and Jason will present the 2011 budget at the meeting. Many thanks Debbie, you're the best! There will be an open discussion at the meeting, followed by a vote by the club.

Neil Van Ginhoven will be taking on the Snapper Tournament, so be on the lookout for details of this fun event in the near future.

Jason is requesting input from the membership for the Blackfish Tournament. If you have any suggestions as to when the tournament should be held or which boat you would like to see the club charter, please share your thoughts with us...there will be an open discussion at the meeting.

Upcoming Meetings



Regular Meetings

Туре	Date	Time	Location	
Informal	24-Feb	8pm	Blue Point Cottage	
Dinner	19-Mar	7pm	Sunset Harbor	
Informal	24-Mar	8pm	Blue Point Cottage	
Business	21-Apr	8pm	Blue Point Cottage	
Informal	26-May	8pm	Blue Point Cottage	
Informal	23-Jun	8pm	Blue Point Cottage	
Casting Picnic	TBD	8am Noon	Cathedral Pines	
no meeting in August				
Business	22-Sep	8pm	Blue Point Cottage	
Informal	27-Oct	8pm	Blue Point Cottage	
Ladies Night	TBD	7pm	TBD	
Business	15-Dec	8pm	Blue Point Cottage	