



Narragansett Surfcasters Newsletter

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Fish Heads

Officers

President: Dave Peterson
1st Vice President: Mark Hudzin
2nd Vice President: Al Corrente
Secretary: Howard Mahady
Recording Secretary: Mark Hudzin
Treasurer: Alan Schmied

Board Members

Nelson Valles
Robert "Woody" Woodard
Andy Lemar

Newsletter Editor & Club Historian

Tom Clune

Ways & Means

Al Corrente, Chair

Do you want to volunteer? Contact a club officer for more information.

Plug Building With Dick

Club member Dick Mandeville gave a very interesting demonstration on the art of plug building. Dick a former school teacher, started building plugs as a hobby. His hobby turned into a small operation for his friends and fellow club members.

Dick discussed everything from the type of wood he uses to the technique involved to add a through wire.

Dick had a handful of lures for sale at a very special price for club members, his stock was cleaned out! Good luck to everyone who pur-



Dick Mandeville discussing his plugs.

chased one of these special plugs.

A very special thanks to club member Dick Mandeville for volunteering his time to give back to the club. Contact a club

officer (Fish Head) if you are interested in presenting your favorite topic.

Tournament Standings

Bass

1st. Tyler Rhoads 35 lbs 2 oz.
length 42" Girth: 28"

2nd Curtis Bruno 29 lbs 8 oz.
Length: 42" Girth 28"

Blue

1st Albert Adams 11 lbs. 8 oz.
Length: 35.5" Girth 16"

2nd West Place 8 lbs 8 oz.

Membership Dues

It is that time of year again, time to pay your yearly membership dues.

Dues are \$35/year and will be increased to \$45/year if you do not pay before 1/1/08. Last month you should have received a membership renewal form. Complete this form and bring it to the next meeting or

mail it to the address shown. Your dues must be paid in order to vote in the November elections.

"This newsletter alone is worth the membership dues"

-Fellow Club Member



September Meeting In Review

During the meeting Club President Dave Peterson informed club members of an error that was communicated to club members regarding the club officer election process. According to the club bylaws elections must happen in November with nominations being collected during the October meeting.

Questions were also addressed regarding the increase in club dues. Club dues were increased due to the rising costs associated with operating the club. Additional funds will also allow the club to do more things for its members. Club members agreed that this was still an excellent value, only \$3 a month!

Howard Mahady read a thank you note from Andy Lemar who has been ill recently. Andy loved the fruit basket that was presented on behalf of the club.

The results of the Narragansett Surfcasters Club Tournament were determined. Cliff Richer helped his team land the 1st prize award. This tournament was a great opportunity to go out and fish and make some new friends. I had a great time fishing with my team that consisted of Norm, Wes, & Bill. Slingshot snakes in the channel didn't result into anything beyond shredded

On a special note, club member Jos Huxley picked up his personal best during the tournament, a 26.5 pound monster! Unfortunately, this was a catch and release tournament, so the fish

was ineligible for weighing. Either way it was a memorable win for Jos!



Jos Huxley with his 25.5 pound personal best.

Business Directory & Classified Ads

Bait & Tackle

Maridee Bait & tackle
10% off for club member
304 Point Judith Road
Narragansett, RI
401-789-5190

Wildwood Outfitters
271 Main St
Wakefield, RI
401-789-1244

Custom Rods, Bait & Tackle

Wickford Rodworks
10% off for club member
7 Main Street
Wickford, RI 02852
401-667-7363
www.wickfordrodworks.com

Graphic Design

Richer Graphics
Ryan & Cliff Richer
401-742-4361
richergraphics@gmail.com

Painting

Sun Coat Painting
Larry McPhillips
401-782-4744

Photography

Tom Clune Photography
10% off for club member
Tom Clune
401-450-9400
tom@tomclune.com
www.tomclune.com

For Sale

10Ft. one piece Harnell Rod,
newly reconditioned, \$80
firm. Call buzz at 401-782-
3563

As a member of the Narragansett Surfcasters, you can place free classified ads on our website: narragansettsurfcasters.com. If you have something fishing related that you would like to sell, email a picture, brief description and your phone number to Tom Clune, tom@tomclune.com or see him at the next meeting.



Do you have a business or provide a services?

Contact Tom Clune to be added to next month's directory.

Fall Surf Fishing Club Challenge

Submitted by Mark Hudzin

The Narragansett Surfcasters have entered the Fall Surf Fishing Club Challenge set for October 19-21. Over 40 members have signed up already. We want you to fish with us!

There is no cost to enter but your name must be submitted beforehand. Contact Mark Hudzin at mhudzin@hotmail.com or call him at 401-475-0987 to get on the list.

Included with the newsletter are the tournament rules and other information including tournament hours of the weigh-in stations.

Special Meeting

All members fishing the tournament for the Narragansett Club are invited to a special meeting of the Board of Directors on Saturday, October 13th at 10am at the community center where our regular meetings are held.

The meeting will be a Q/A and discussion to help you plan your strategy. Featured will be several of the club's fishermen who are acknowledged to be amongst the best ever to stalk a beach.

Somewhat like the wedding of the Don's daughter in The Godfather, this is your semi-annual chance to ask these guys anything you want (the other being the Spring Challenge).

We will also team you up if that's what you would like to do, plan some scouting for the week before, and possibly even take areas to fish if you are willing to coordinate.

As before, to get in the door the secret pass phrase is "I am fishing the tournament".

The Boilerplate

1. If you can't make the special meeting, call Mark and he'll fill you in. 401 475-0987, c 978 609-4273.
2. You don't have to organize with us to fish the tournament. Just enter your name and go fishing.
3. Even if you don't fish the tournament, come join us Sunday morning at the awards breakfast and enjoy our sport's camaraderie.
4. We are fishing for 2nd or 3rd place as much as we are fishing for first. Don't throw anything back because you heard one other club has put up some numbers.
5. And a 1.68lb bluefish was weighed in during the Spring tournament. So you won't be the first, weigh in a dink it could make the difference.

Important Information: Club Elections

Each year, the Narragansett Surfcasters hold an election to vote for all officer and board of director positions.

As a club member in good standing, you are eligible to nominate a fellow club member for a position as well as take part in the voting process.

Nominations will take places at the October meeting. You must be present at the meetings to either nominate a club member for a position or place your vote.

This will be the one and only chance to nominate someone for club office.

A ballot will be produced after the nominations takes place and will be distributed for voting at the November.

Come on out to the next meeting and take part in the nomination process!



*Next Meeting: Tuesday October 16, 2007
7:00 p.m. at Narragansett Community Center*

Next meeting: Taking Photos of Fish & Club Nominations

Club Members,

Join us at the next club meeting for a special presentation of taking photos of fish by yours truly! I'll be covering the basics of photographing fish in different conditions, as well as some camera basics.

Also, club nominations will happen in the October. Come on down and nominate that club member you would like to see in office.

As always, it is a pleasure being your Newsletter Editor, keep those ideas and suggestions coming!

Tom Clune

Newsletter Editor

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FALL SURF FISHING CLUB CHALLENGE

STRIPED BASS - BLUEFISH - SURF FISHING TOURNAMENT

START –FRI. OCTOBER 19, 2007 – 6:00 PM

ENDS – SUN. OCTOBER 21, 2007 –8:00 AM

NAPATREE POINT TO NARROW RIVER NARRAGANSETT, RHODE ISLAND
(NO BLOCK ISLAND)
SHORE/SURF ONLY

WEIGH STATIONS

TOURNAMENT **HEADQUARTERS**

Weekapaug Bait and Tackle
660 Atlantic Ave
Westerly, RI 02891
401-322-8058

Wildwood Outfitters
271 Main St.
Wakefield, RI
401-789-1244

Tournament Hours:
Fri. open 4:00 PM to 10:00 PM
Sat. 7:00 AM to 10:AM and
4:00 PM to 10:00 PM
Sun. open at 7:00 AM

Tournament Hours:
Fri. Closes at 6:00 PM
Sat. 7:00 AM to 6:00 PM
Sun. open at 7:00 AM

AWARDS

1. Surf Club Champion

Weight of 3 Largest Striped Bass + 3 Largest Bluefish

A continuing trophy with the surf club's name and year will be awarded. The winning club maintains the trophy for (1) year.

2. Largest Striped Bass

3. Largest Bluefish

SUNDAY MORNING AWARDS BREAKFAST (8:30 AM)

The Awards Breakfast will be held at the Andrea Resort Hotel at approximately 8:30 A.M. on Sunday morning. Breakfast will be buffet style all-you-can-eat and cost about \$10 per person.

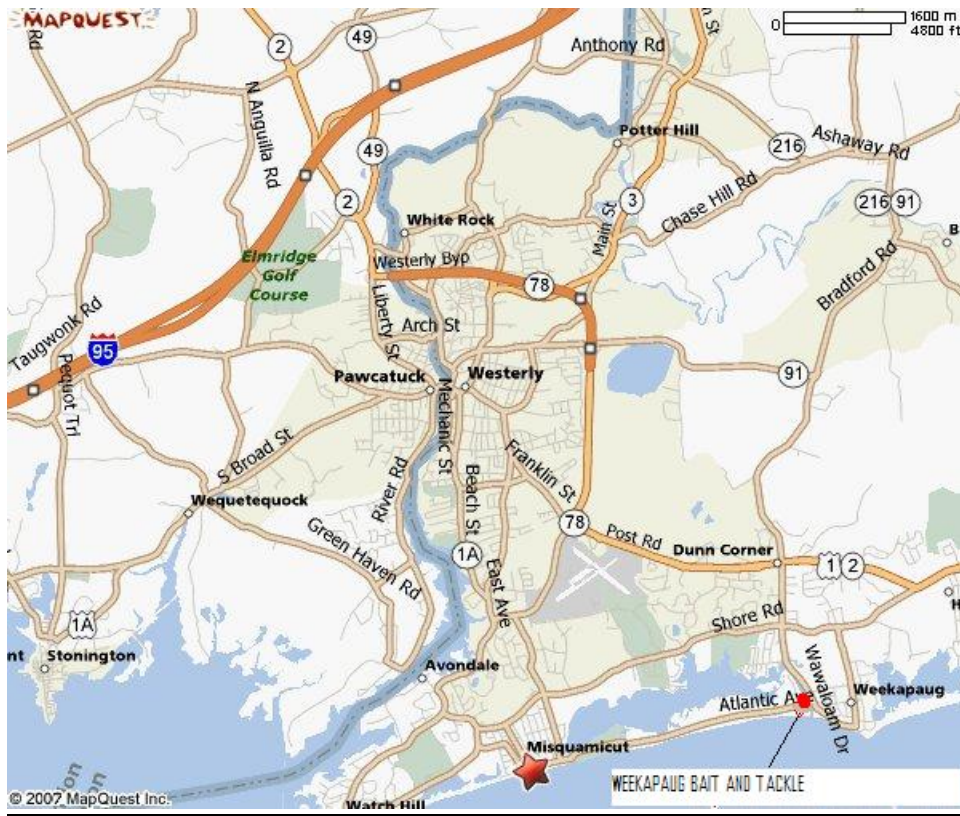
The Surf Club Champion Award and additional prizes for the Largest Striped Bass and the Largest Bluefish will be presented. There will be a raffle.

If any winning angler cannot attend the breakfast his or her prize will be saved for them and given to the club they represent.

Andrea Hotel
89 Atlantic Avenue
Misquamicut, RI 02891
401-348-8788

Directions:

From Rt 1S bear left onto Rt 1A, Shore Rd. Take a left onto Winnapaug Road. Continue straight to ocean. Take a right onto Atlantic Avenue. The Andrea Hotel is approximately 5 blocks ahead on the left side of the street.



OFFICIAL RULES

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DATE AND TIME

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FISHING AREA:

NAPATREE POINT TO NARROW RIVER NARRAGANSETT, RHODE ISLAND
(NO BLOCK ISLAND)

SHORE/SURF ONLY

RULES:

- 1.) All organizations participating in the tournament must be a club, fresh or salt water (officers, by-laws etc).
- 2.) **FISHING AREA: Napatree Point to Narrow River Narragansett, Rhode Island (NO BLOCK ISLAND).**
- 3.) All fish must be caught from the **Shore/Surf** and weighed at **Weekapaug Bait & Tackle in Weekapaug, R.I. or Wildwood Outfitters in Wakefield, R.I.**
- 4.) In the event a tie occurs: The measured length of each winning fish will be added to the total weight.
- 5.) All fish will be measured from the nose to the end of the tail.
- 6.) All fish weighed and entered in the contest, will be entered in the book by someone other than the person who caught the fish.
- 7.) After a fish is weighed and entered in the contest a punch mark or knife cut will be made near the tail. Note: If the angler is going to mount the fish the mark or cut is not necessary.
- 8.) Rhode Island Fishing/ Beach Regulations will be adhered to at all times.