



Narragansett Surfcasters

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Who's Who

Officers

President: Dave Peterson
1st Vice President: Mark Hudzin
2nd Vice President: Buzz Vickers
Secretary: Tom Clune
Recording Secretary: Jos Huxley
Treasurer: Alan Schmied

Board Members

Bill Bento
Bill Ladd
Nelson Valles
*Board meetings are held on the 1st Monday of the month and are open to all club members. See an officer or board member for more information.

Newsletter Editor

Tom Clune

Committee Chairpersons

- Banquet: Mark Hudzin
- By-Laws: Mark Hudzin
- Communications: Tom Clune
- Entertainment: Buzz Vickers
- Historian: Tom Clune
- Junior Activities: Nelson Valles
- Membership: Bill Ladd
- Mentoring: Dave Peterson
- Merchandise: George Fountaine
- Public Access: Little Fox
- Tournament: Don Wilcox
- Webmaster: Tom Clune

Want to get involved and make your club even better? Contact a Committee Chairperson for more information

August Meeting in Review

Opening

The regular monthly meeting of the Narragansett Surfcasters was held on Tuesday August, 19 at 7:00 p.m. at the Narragansett Community Center. 30 club members were in attendance.

Approval of Minutes

Minutes were read, motion to approve was accepted and seconded.

Open Issues

Motion to proceed with Conant ave adopt-a-spot. There was a motion to proceed, motion was seconded and approved, unanimously.

New Business

Club members unanimously approved to have the September club meeting at Dad's

Place, Chowder and clam cakes will be served.

Updates

- Membership: Motion to accept new member Chris McGrath was accepted and seconded.
- Treasurer report was provided by Alan Schmied.
- Membership update provided by Bill Ladd.
- Bylaws update provided by Mark Hudzin.

Knowing What's In Front Of You: Mat Squillante

Local surfcasting legend, Mat Squillante gave a rare presentation on fishing the local waters. Many of you may know

that Mat was a strong surfcaster in the day, catching five 50# fish during the 70's.

Mat stressed that you should always know what is in front of you. Go there in the day to check things out. Watch the tides and see where the rocks are. Look for a change of water in the pocket, that is where the fish are.

Mat covered various aspects of points, pockets and cuts; all of the great places to catch fish. He concluded the presentation with excellent pictures of the local spots we all go to.

I'm sure a lot of guys were inspired to get back out there and try their luck!

Thanks for sharing Mat!

Important: September's Meeting At Dad's Place

An important reminder that the September club meeting (9/16) will be held at Dad's Place 148 Boon St, Narragansett at 7:00 p.m.

As a way to celebrate the unofficial end of summer, the Narragansett Surfcasters will be hosting a Clam Cake and Chowder night for all club members.

Having an accurate count is very important. If you were at the last meeting, you had the opportunity to sign up. If you weren't at the last meeting, you should have received a flyer in the mail and hopefully you RSVP'd with Dave Peterson.

Looking forward to a great time!

Business Directory: Support Your Club Members

Bait & Tackle

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

Middlebridge Country Store
10% off for club member
95 Middlebridge Road
Narragansett, RI
401-465-4345

Quonny Bait & Tackle
Intersection of Routes 216 and 1
Charlestown, RI
401-315-2330

Surfhog Lure Company
P.O. Box 1452
North Kingstown, RI 02852
www.surfhoglureco.com
surfhoglureco@yahoo.com

Wickford Rodworks
Tournament Weigh-In Station
10% off for club member
7 Weaver Rd
north Kingstown, RI 02852
401-667-7363
www.wickfordrodworks.com

Graphic Design

Richer Graphics
Custom signs, Vehicle & Boat
Lettering, Magnetic Signs, Logo &
Graphic Design
401-742-4361
richergraphics@gmail.com

Painting

Sun Coat Painting
Larry McPhillips
401-782-4744

Photography

Tom Clune Photography
Fine Art Prints, Gifts
10% off for club member
Tom Clune
401-450-9400
tom@tomclune.com
www.tomclune.com

Reel Service

Snug Harbor Marine Center
410 Gooseberry Road
Wakefield, RI 02879
401-783-8220
snugharborserv@aol.com

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business card or send your
information to Tom Clune at

Yearly Tournament Standings

Don't forget to send in your tournament forms to get on the board. The forms and current standings are available on the club website or at the next meeting from Don Wilcox.

Bass

1st: Rich Clarke
W: 32 Lbs. L:45 G: 25"

2nd: Jerry Tartaro
W: 30 lbs 12 oz L: 45" G: 23.5"

3rd: Tim Yvon
W: 30 lbs 11 oz L: 42.5" G: n/a



Blue

1st: Buzz Vickers
W: 9 lbs 9 oz L: 33" G: n/a

2nd: Nelson Valles
W: 8 lbs 8 oz L: 32" G: 15"

3rd: Send in your entries!



Spring Tournament Recap-Submitted by Mark Hudzin

What a Summer it's been that it's taken this long to write a wrap up of the Spring tournament, and on the eve of the Fall tournament. Top rod was Al Pellini who scored two bass on BI and went to the trouble of bringing them back on the boat. Word was however that when he got here he didn't know what to do with them. Uhh... weigh station? Thankfully someone got him squared away. Thanks Al!

The redneck award went to Howard Mahady for suggesting we use lights and guns to score some bass. But then he stabbed himself in the finger with a clam knife and had to go home. Hopefully he won't ever consider explosives. We'll give Al and Howard each other's phone number next time and see what the two of them come up with. Tom McGuire was in stealth mode when he ran into the Connecticut Surfcasters gearing up for Napatree. Little did

they know they were talking to a top gun. It occurred to me Napatree must be the first place those guys stop at. Next tournament we'll fish it out the night before. Or Howard, I'm thinking explosives. And can anyone make counterfeit no parking and no trespassing signs? We'll put those up the night before and the out-of-state clubs will never know they aren't real. "Gee, another access gone, fellas. Guess we have to go somewhere else". There's more than one way to gain an edge! We could even put members into rented uniforms and run everyone off from the parking spots. Need volunteers.

Special thanks to Mike Dunphy and Jack Linton for anchoring the special meeting we had to prepare for the tournament. This was Mike's first appearance at these meetings although we've been after him for awhile. It was worth the wait. He shared some great infor-

mation on how to fish the Avenues and Matunuck. Jack however was commandeered by the now fanatical Jos Huxley who got a private tutorial on how to fish Black Point. It could have been you. All you have to do is show up!

Thank you Mike and thank you Jack!



Take a Kid Fishing Date: October 25, 2008

We need your help! Come join us as we help out with the Narragansett Take a Kid Fishing day on Saturday October 25 in the morning.

Twice a year, the Narragansett Surfcaster help out the Town of Narragansett with the Take a Kid Fishing Day held a Sprague Pond.

This is always a great time and all you have to do is assist the kids and weigh and record what they catch, and help give out prizes. Parents will be there so you really don't have too much to do.

Don't feel like you need have kids to participate. Volunteers are always needed to help the kids out. Do you remember your first fish? This is a great opportunity to hang out with some fun kids for the day and take part in the excitement!

If you are interested in helping out, please contact Nelson Valles or a Club Officer/Board Member for more details.



Tournament of the Century



Thriller in Manilla: Get into the ring and take a swing with your club. The Fall Surf Fishing Club Challenge is just a few weeks away. The dates this year are October 24th, 25th and 26th.

Summer training camp is winding down. The Narragansett Surfcasters are in shape and ready to climb in the ring. Mighty Joe's awesome left dropped the greatest, ours will drop the latest.

Camp ends with a special meeting held a week before the bout as usual. The club's heavyweights will be there in our corner. Look for more information at the September and October meetings and in the next newsletter. We want all members in our corner.