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MAY 2007

Presidents Message

Finally, the weather has warmed and the fish have arrived. There's shad up by the village, schoolie bass on the beach and in the river, and what looks like a pretty good Herring run shaping up. Shad fisherman up river have been reporting Herring being caught and released while using darts and flies. I took a drive around myself this week during the early and observed fish in the runs on the Parker river run at Central St. dam and in the Mill river in Rowley. If we want the stripers to continue to comeback strong " and healthy" it is essential to protect not only the Herring but the Menhaden also. As you know the club has adopted a Herring as part of the Herring restoration program on the Ipswich river. If you want to keep track of her progress you can log on to www.ipswichriverherring.com and click on Hannah. The people conducting the survey will be in Jan. 08 to give us a report of their results. Say a prayer for her so hopefully the transmitter doesn't up in an eagle nest somewhere.

Tight lines,
K. Moore

JR's Program

The last meeting of the kids program was on leaders and bait rigs. It has been a popular program in the past and this year proved no different. There new and old faces there and everybody got to tie up some leaders and bait rigs for the up and coming season. As normal, the last classroom meeting gives me a chance to hold a large item give away. Over the course of the year many items are given to me to use for the kids program. I use some during the winter but most I squirrel away for this event. The kids walk away with a bag full of rods, reels, lures, line, hooks, sinkers, etc. The smiles on every bodies face could light up a room as well as my heart. It really puts all the work into perspective. Again thank you to everybody who helped out this year either with classes or items donated or supplied. The names would be to numerous to mention here, you know who you are. Thank you.

The next meeting is on the beach, yea. Sat. May 19th 5-9 p.m. Plum island beach. meet at Surfland at 5 p.m.

K. Moore



JR's Program Schedule

May 19	(Sat.) 5-9 p.m.	"Fishing trip P.I."
June 9	(Sat.) 9-12 a.m.	"Annual casting clinic"
June 22	(Fri.) 6- whenever	"Fishing trip"
July 27	(Fri.) 6- whenever	"Fishing trip"
Aug. 4	(Sat.)	"Yankee Homecoming parade/ cook out at my house"
Aug. 24	(Fri.) 6-whenever	"Fishing trip"
Sept. 15 or 22	(Sat.)	"Member appreciation day/weekend and jr's. fishing tournament"
Sept. 22 or 29	(Sat.)	"Overnighter Plum Island"
Oct .6 or 13	(Sat.)	"Overnighter Plum Island"



50th Anniversary Celebration

Please contact Ruth Temperino with you questions and thoughts on the up-coming celebration.

1-978-346-0123 or rhtemperino@verizon.net

2007 Schedule

- May 15th** Pam Lyons Gromen Fisheries Project Director NCMC's Forage First Campaign-
Conserving Prey Fish for Striped Bass"
Capt. Robert Busch "What the Birds Tell Us"
June 19th Steve Papows "How to Target Large Stripers on Top Water Plugs"
July 17th Dave Pickering "Striper Strategies, 2007"
August 21st TBD
September 18th Al DelDotto "Chatham, Mass., Fishing the Elbow of Cape Cod"
October 16th Capt. Robert Zieba "Secrets to Fishing the Merrimac"
November 20th TBD

The Plum Island Surfcaster's

P.O. Box 1585
Newburyport, Ma 01950

Presents

“Conserving Prey Fish for Striped Bass and other Predator’s”

w/Pam Lyons Gromen, Fisheries Project Director

National Coalition for Marine Conservation

See how the NCMC is working to conserve populations of forage fish and bring back their primary food supply, the Menhaden.

May 15, 2007

7:30pm

Fireman's Hall

Newbury, Ma. 01951

A donation of \$5.00 will be collected at the door from all non-members

PLUM ISLAND 15TH ANNUAL INVITATIONAL FISHING TOURNAMENT

Date: May 26,2007 and May 27,2007

Duration: Tournament hours- Sunday, Midnight 00:01 to 09:00 AM

Place: Plum Island Turnpike at the Plum Island Airport Parking Lot.

Be in parking lot at 11:00 PM, Saturday night May 26 to register teams and review rules.

Registration: Pre-registration- Call Kevin McGrath 978-352-2403 no later than 8:00 PM for pre-registration and info. All participants must sign and submit liability waiver prior to being placed on a team.

Minors: Participating minors (under 18) must submit a signed parental permission note and be accompanied by an adult for the duration of the tournament.

Each participant in any tournament or fishing events sponsored or associated by the PISC hereby agrees to abide by the above rules and regulations set forth for those events. Further, each member participating in the above mentioned events expressly agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the PISC members of the Executive Board, its Advisory Board, members of the judging committee and Organizers of the tournament against any loss, claim, liability, personal injury or expense occurred either by them or against them arising in connection with their participation in the tournament or event, including court costs and reasonable attorney's fees.

By registering for the PISC tournament, I agree to abide by all tournament rules and regulations and acknowledge that I am fishing at my own risk. Any minors participating in the tournament must be accompanied by an adult at all times. The adult signature below assumes all responsibility for the actions, safety and well being of the minor registered.

Name: _____ **Address:** _____

Phone: _____

Club Name: _____

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

(participant or guardian if accompanying a minor)

2007 YEAR LONG BIG FISH TOURNAMENT

MAY 1, 2007 THROUGH OCTOBER 31, 2007

SPECIES: BASS, BLUEFISH, and SBFT

LOCATION: ANYWHERE YOU CATCH THE FISH

VENUE: SURF, BOAT, BAIT, LURE FLY

TROPHY CATEGORIES: SPECIES, BOAT, SURF, AND FLY DIVISIONS, CATCH AND RELEASE OR KILL. ALL TROPHIES WILL BE IN ADULT AND JUNIOR CATEGORIES.

All fish must be recorded on an official weigh in slip. PISC affidavit slips may be obtained at monthly meetings. Photocopies are acceptable, or any official weigh in slip from a weigh station.

All slips must include: species, time and date caught, weight if a kill. length if a catch and release, where caught, how caught and if it was boat or surf. Name and badge number of the angler must be listed as well as a witnesses signature. Time caught may be used as a tie breaker if the need arises. Any incomplete slips will be considered invalid.

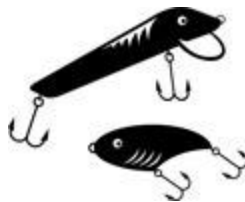
Any angler may hold only one trophy position per category. Slips may be turned in at the monthly meetings , at Surfland or by mail to: Kevin McGrath 52 West St Georgetown, MA 01833. It is wise to keep a photo copy of each slip for your records.

All slips must be turned in by November 1, 2007 or postmarked no later that Nov. 1 2007. Late slips will be considered invalid. PLEASE CALL IN ANY LAST MINUTE SLIPS.

This is a big event each year and promises to keep us all fishing to rack up the scores on the tote board. Updates are listed in the monthly newsletter. Trophies will be awarded at the Awards Night Banquet.

All senior participating slips will be entered in a drawing for a special prize.

All junior participating slips will be entered in a drawing for a special prize.



ANNUAL PLUM ISLAND SURFCASTERS

Boat Fishing Tournament 2007 Registration Form

Date: June 9th & June 10th 2007

Time: Saturday 12:00pm to Sunday 11:59am

Place: Massachusetts/New Hampshire Coastal Waters from Boston Harbor to the Maine Border

Registration: Open to PISC members only. All participants must sign the registration form below. A team member witness must sign the Official Tally sheet before being submitted.

Minors: Participating minors (under 18) must be accompanied by an adult at all times and may fish as a team member with adult Supervision

Each participant in any tournament of fishing event sponsored by or associated with the Plum Island Surfcasters, hereby agrees to

abide by the rules and regulations set forth for those events. Further, each member participating in the above mentioned events

expressly agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the Plum Island Surfcasters, members of the Executive Board, its Advisory Board,

members of the Judging Committee and Organizers of the tournament against any loss, claim, liability, personal injury or expense

incurred either by them or against them, arising in connection with their participation in the tournament or event, including court costs

and reasonable attorney's fees.

By registering for the Plum Island Surfcasters Tournament, I agree to abide by all tournament rules and regulations and acknowledge

that I am fishing at my own risk. An adult must accompany any minors participating in the tournament or events at all times. The

adult signature below assumes all responsibility for the actions, safety and well being of the minor registered.

NAME: _____ **ADDRESS:** _____

PHONE: _____ **BOAT NAME:** _____

SIGNATURE: _____ **DATE:** _____

PLUM ISLAND SURFCASTERS BOAT TOURNAMENT RULES

1. Each participant must sign a registration form. Minors must have an adult guardian sign their registration form.

2. Two rods per person

3. Only 2 fish per team per day may be weighed in.

4. A team shall consist of three persons fishing together. More than one team may fish in a boat provided that the total number of persons

doesn't exceed the safety limits of the boat. Up to 3 Kayaks can be entered as one team. Fish must be weighed in at any local B&T and must

be submitted on an Official PISC Tournament Affidavit.

5. There will be a Weigh-in station set-up at the Salisbury Boat Landing on Saturday Night 9 PM until 11 PM for last minute weigh-ins for

that day.

6. Striped bass only will score.

7. A board member committee will decide final decisions on any discrepancies.

8. The boundaries for the tournament are Massachusetts/New Hampshire Coastal Waters from Boston Harbor to the Maine Border.

9. Only Official PISC Affidavits with member's signatures will be accepted.

Awards:

Members of the 1st Place team will receive a \$150 Gift certificate to be divided amongst their team, 2nd and 3rd place teams will receive Pins.

IMPORTANT POINTS TO REMEMBER

A. Start fishing at 12:00pm Sat. and stop fishing at 11:59am Sun.

B. In case of a Tie the tie -breaker will be the Length followed by Time and Day on weigh-in slip, and Finally a Coin Toss.

C. Weigh-in Slips must be called in to the Tournament Committee by 1:00 PM on Sunday June 10th.

D. Foul Weather Date will be on June 23, 2007

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