



Fish Hawks Celebrates 40 year Anniversary

MAY 2017 FISH HAWKS NEWSLETTER

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MAY'S GUEST SPEAKER – MARK CHARTER – SHARKING AND FLUKE FISHING

SHORE CASTS

MEMBERS ARE REMINDED TO PATRONIZE ALL OF OUR SPONSORS.

Our Club radio channel is **19**. We ask our members to please monitor it at all times.

If you have changed your mailing address, phone number, or e-mail address, please give new information to our Membership Chairwoman, Sandi Roy.

Please call Good & Welfare Chairwoman Sandi Roy if you know of any member who is ill or has been hospitalized. Sandi's cell phone is 609-618-6211 or an email can be sent to robandsandi@yahoo.com. Please do not leave a message on her home phone.

Yearly membership cards for those current in dues are available at the meeting. If you have paid your dues and have not received a current dues card, please see Gail Matuska, Treasurer, at the meeting.

If you have or want a speaker on a specific subject contact Bill Geddes, our Guest Speaker Chairman at bfgeddes@msn.com.

Boat US membership discount code is GA83831B. Ask for new member applications.

Recreational Fishing Alliance Membership discount code is FISHHAWKS11.

*******LACEY FOOD BANK*******

Looking For Food Donations: The Lacey Food Bank has provide us with their most urgent food needs which are as follows: **1. Cereal, 2. Can vegetables, 3. Cans of Tuna, 4. Jars of Peanut butter & Jelly, 5. Pasta Sauce & Pasta and 6. Baby Food or Baby Wipes:** Is in short supply. Please remember that "Hunger never takes a day off" and should you forget to bring something from your pantry, you can always place a couple of dollars (\$\$\$) into our donation canister. As always, your contributions and donations are greatly appreciated. Thanks again for your continued support of others less fortunate in our community.

Sincerely,
Ken Rylak

May 2017 President's Message

I truly wish we had a club historian to tell us how we got where we are today. I welcome anyone to send me any knowledge of past presidents, where and how we started, achievements and anything that could be saved for future generations to come. Fish Hawks is growing, maturing and will be around long after many of us. Please share what knowledge you have, even if it seems insignificant.

I think spring may be here and that ushers in a new fishing season for us and hopefully a productive one. As you may have received and I hope sent back the recent Summer Flounder survey to ASMFC. I did and added the following "I am the president of a local fishing club with approx. 200 members and in private discussions with members I get the impression that there will be a disregard for the new regulation. We ALL have adhered to previous limits but this has gone too far. The amount of shorts, which we throw back, will DEFINITELY have an impact on mortality and have an adverse impact due to the size limit. In addition the 19" size is usually a female and this will impact population growth. Overall this regulation seems to be an attempt to create a negative effect on Summer Flounder." State representatives to the Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission have filed an appeal requesting the commission reconsider its vote significantly reducing the state's recreational-fishing quota for summer flounder, NJDEP Commissioner Bob Martin announced today. For details, see the DEP news release at http://www.nj.gov/dep/newsrel/2017/17_0025.htm.

Recreational Fishing Alliance reports: The recreational fishing and boating community praised the introduction of a bill that addresses critical challenges facing saltwater recreational fishing at the federal level. Led by Congressmen Garret Graves (R-La.), Gene Green (D-Texas), Daniel Webster (R-Fla.) and Rob Wittman (R-Va.), the "Modernizing Recreational Fisheries Management Act of 2017" (Modern Fish Act) would improve public access to America's federal waters, promote conservation of our natural marine resources and spur economic growth. "For decades in federal fisheries management, recreational fishing was always an afterthought," explained Jim Donofrio executive director of the Recreational Fishing Alliance. "The Modernizing Recreational Fisheries Management Act introduced by Congressman Graves and his colleagues finally addresses the specific needs of the recreational fishing community; stands to bring parity to fisheries management and will get anglers back on the water."

The coalition of groups supporting the Modern Fish Act includes American Sport fishing Association, Center for Sport fishing Policy, Coastal Conservation Association, Congressional Sportsmen's Foundation, Guy Harvey Ocean Foundation, International Game Fish Association, National Marine Manufacturers Association, Recreational Fishing Alliance, The Billfish Foundation and Theodore Roosevelt Conservation Partnership.

Let the CONTESTS BEGIN: Remember to mark our free tournament days on your calendar and enter our \$2.00 monthly contest. As you will see those who Jeff Harrop announces at each month's meeting will get their rewards at our Awards Banquet. Hope you attend, as it is a great affair with gifts and prizes for all attending.

Most of all get out and fish! Before I go I always check conditions on the following sites:

Windfinder:

https://www.windfinder.com/forecast/barnegat_inlet?utm_source=www.windfinder.com&utm_medium=web&utm_campaign=redirect.

Tides:

<http://tbone.biol.sc.edu/tide/tideshow.cgi?site=Barnegat+Inlet%2C+Barnegat+Bay%2C+New+Jersey+Current>

NOAA: http://www.ndbc.noaa.gov/station_page.php?station=44091

Island Beach report: <http://magicseaweed.com/Island-Beach-State-Park-Surf-Report/4052/>

Barnegat Fishing Hole <http://bhweb.com/ubbthreads/ubbthreads.php?ubb=cfm>

Speaking of contests the Fisherman Magazine's Dream Boat offers a Steiger pilothouse as 1st prize. First and foremost, you must be a subscriber to *The Fisherman Magazine* to be eligible for the Dream Boat Challenge. From there, after you catch an eligible fish, there are several simple steps that must be adhered to or else your entry will be disqualified. You must follow all of the requirements and include all applicable information for your submission to be rendered valid. Enter the fish at **an official weigh station** and do so as soon as possible. Entries must be received within 10 days of weigh-in the catch and the submission is 100% complete and accurate. Take a photo of your catch-preferably as soon as it is landed and fresh out of the water-and be sure to include the photo with your submission. A photo of the catch at the dock or tackle shop is also sufficient, but keep in mind that we may use your photo in print either in the reports section or on the cover of the magazine, as well as in our weekly fishing forecast videos, so submitting a high resolution quality photo is strongly encouraged. Top 10 contestant images are posted as part of **the current standings**. Entries may be submitted via email at **dreamboat@thefisherman.com** or mail to: Dream Boat Fishing Challenge, 14 Ramsey Rd, Shirley, NY 11967.

Henry Ford quotes: "Don't find fault, find a remedy, anyone can complain". "The only security in life is the people you know and the skills you have"

Thank you for reading my message

"Be active, be aware before your rights become a crime"

Your president

Bill Westervelt

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"THE HAWK" **(May 2017)**

THE BIRD: IT'S BEEN A CRAZY START TO 2017, WITH A RECORD BREAKING FEBRUARY, A VERY COLD MARCH AND A WET WINDY APRIL. THE GOOD NEWS IS THAT THE STRIPERS (MOSTLY SHORTS) ARE IN ABUNDANCE AT THE MOUTH OF THE POWER PLANT OVERFLOW. AS I FLEW OVER THE BRIDGE BY THE POWER PLANT THERE WERE OVER A DOZEN CARS PARKED THERE AND I SAW ONE FISHERMAN CARRYING OFF A 30" BASS. SOFT PLASTICS AND BLOOD WORMS SEEM TO BE THE BAIT OF CHOICE. LIKE A BAD PENNY, KARL KEEPS MAKING THE NEWS (THE HAWK). HE WAS OUT WITH HIS SON & GRANDSONS AT THE OYSTER CREEK OUTFLOW AND HE CATCHES A 22" TOOTHY WINTER FLOUNDER (POTENTIALLY A NEW CLUB RECORD FOR THIS RARE SPECIES). UNDER CLOSER OBSERVATION HIS GRANDSON'S SAY " GRANDPA ITS A FLUKE AND WE GOTTA PUT IT BACK". THE GOLFER (KARL) RELEASED THE FLUKE AND THE FISHERMEN (OWEN & HUNTER) PATTED THEIR GRANDPA ON THE BACK, "GOOD JOB GRAMP"!!!!!! SO THE FLUKE ARE IN BUT WE HAVE A FEW WEEKS BEFORE THEY BECOME LEGAL TO KEEP. ALSO THE BLUES HAVE INVADED THE BAY.

AWARDS BANQUET: MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR SUNDAY MAY 21st AT 6 PM. OUR BANQUET WILL BE HELD AT THE CAPTAINS INN. NOT ONLY WILL WE BE RECOGNIZING OUR ACCOMPLISHED FISHERMAN AND WOMEN BUT WE WILL ALSO BE CELEBRATING OUR **"40th ANNIVERSARY"**. THAT'S RIGHT! **40 YEARS!** YOU'VE MUST COME AND HELP CELEBRATE A MILESTONE OF OUR CLUB. **NOTE:** OUR V.P. & MASTER OF CEREMONIES & MASTER JOKE TELLER COMMITTED TO BUY A DRINK FOR ALL MEMBERS TO COMEMORATE OUR 40th. PLEASE

SUBMIT YOUR CHECK WITH FORM BY NO LATTER THEN MAY 14th. WE WILL ALSO BE ACCEPTING CHECKS WITH FORMS AT THURSDAY NIGHTS MEMBERS MEETING (MAY 5th). ANY QUESTIONS CONTACT KARL (CHAIRMAN) @ (609) 693-4674 OR CO-CHAIR TONY GUADAGNINO @ (609) 242-9471. PLEASE USE REAR ENTRANCE & CHECK IN WITH CHRIS ROSE & BOB KRATCH. BOB WILL BE HANDING OUT A TICKET FOR ONE OF THE MANY DOOR PRIZES (MEMBERS ONLY) AND A \$5 COUPON FOR A DRINK (MEMBERS ONLY)! "HOPE TO SEE YOU ALL THERE"

JUNE: UPCOMMING EVENTS:

LADIES DAY FLUKE TOURNAMENT SATURDAY THE 10th. **SEE ATTACHED FLYER!** YOUTH EDUCATION & FISHING SEMINAR WILL BE HELD ON JUNE 24th. IF YOU ARE AVAILABLE TO ASSIST, PLEASE SIGN UP. ANY QUESTIONS CONTACT JIM GRIFFIN (COMMITTEE CHAIR) @ (609) 971-9637 OR ONE OF THE CO-CHAIRS, KEN RYLAK @ (609) 575-7477 OR TONY GUADAGNINO @ (609) 242-9471. WE WILL NEED A STRIPED BASS, 2 FLUKE & 2 BLUES FOR OUR FILET EXHIBIT. PLEASE CONTACT KARL DAHL @ (609) 693-4674 IF YOU HAVE A FISH TO DONATE. WE'RE EXPECTING 40 YOUTHS AND THEIR MENTORS FROM THE JOINT MILITARY BASE.

JUNE CLUB FISHING TRIP HAS NOT BEEN CONFIRMED BUT WHITEY IS SHOOTING FOR A DATE PRIOR TO JUNE 18th WHEN THE SEABASS QUOTA IS 10 FISH. ANY QUESTIONS CONTACT WHITEY, COMMITTEE CHAIR @ (609) 242-3745 OR CO-CHAIR BOB MERKLE @ (609) 902-7394.

FISH BITES: CLUB RECORDS FOR 2016

WE HAD 4 ENTRIES ACCEPTED FOR 2016. CONGRATULATIONS TO THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS:

ROB ROY: BLACK MARGATE - 5 lbs. 2 oz.

MARTY BERLINSKI: BLUE STRIPED GRUNT - 1 lb. 1 oz.

LEON CHECINSKI: DOLPHIN. - 39 lbs.

HARRY COMBS: BLUE LINE TILE FISH - 6 lbs. 15 oz.

THE TOP 3 RECORD HOLDERS ARE:

TIE FOR FIRST PLACE: JOHN HOWELL & MARTY BERLINSKI EACH HAVE 10!!!!

3rd PLACE: TONY GUADAGNINO, WITH 8!!!!

REGULATIONS:

BLACKFISH: SEASON CLOSED MAY 1st THRU JULY 16th & RE-OPENS JULY 17th THRU NOV. 15th 1 FISH @ 15" INCREASES TO 6 FISH @ 15" ON NOV. 16th. THRU DEC. 31st.

SEA BASS: OPENS MAY 26th TO JUNE 18th. 10 FISH @ 12 1/2". CLOSING ON THE 19th. THRU THE 30th. RE-OPENS JULY 1st THRU AUGUST 31st. 2 FISH @ 12 1/2" CLOSING AGAIN ON SEPT 1ST THRU OCT. 21st. RE-OPENS OCT. 22nd THRU DEC. 31st. 15 FISH @ 12 1/2". HAVE YOU EVER SEEN ANYTHING MORE IDIOTIC THEN THESE REGULATIONS? HOW ON EARTH DO WE PUT UP WITH THESE GENIUSES?

FLUKE: N.J. IS FIGHTING TO MAINTAIN 2016 REGS OF 5 FISH @ 18" AND A SEASON FROM MAY 21st to SEPT. 25th. THE FEDERAL REGS ARE MORE SEVERE AT 3 FISH @ 19" & A SHORTENED SEASON FROM JUNE 1st TO SEPT. 15th. HOPEFULLY WE'LL HAVE A DEFINITIVE ANSWER BY MAY 11th.

STRIPED BASS: OPEN THRU DEC 31st. 1 FISH 28" TO LESS THAN 43" & 1 FISH OVER 43". THE BONUS FISH REGS ARE UNAVAILABLE.

MAY TOURNAMENT DAYS: T-DAY #2 MONDAY MAY 15TH AND T-DAY#3 SATURDAY MAY 27TH.

NOTE: PLEASE SUBMIT YOUR FORMS IF YOU WANT THE NEWSLETTER ELECTRONICALLY. PARAPROSDOKIANS ARE A FIGURE OF SPEECH IN WHICH THE LATTER PART OF A SENTENCE IS UNEXPECTED AND OFT TIMES VERY HUMOROUS.

"I'M GREAT AT MULTI TASKING---- I CAN WASTE TIME, BE UNPRODUCTIVE AND PROCRASTINATE ALL AT THE SAME TIME!!!!

"BE SAFE OUT THERE"

"THE HAWK"

**"FISH HAWKS"
"LADIES DAY FLUKE TOURNAMENT"**

ALL FEMALE MEMBERS & FEMALE FAMILY MEMBERS INCLUDING SIGNIFICANT OTHERS, GIRLFRIENDS & FRIENDLY LADIES, ETC.

DATE: JUNE 10th (SATURDAY)

ENTRY FEE: FREE; O; NADDA !

PAYOUT: 1st PLACE TROPHY + \$50

2nd PLACE \$50

3rd PLACE \$25

NOTE: CAN WIN ONLY ONE PLACE !!!!

RULES: + MINIMUM AGE 12

+ FISH MUST BE HOOKED & FOUGHT TO BOATSIDE BY THE LADIES.

+ NO SIGN-UP; JUST FISH, CATCH & WEIGH-IN

WEIGH-IN: ANY OF OUR 5 CLUB SPONSORED WEIGH STATIONS, CREEKSIDE OUTFITTERS, GRIZZ'S, LACEY MARINE, HIPPO'S & GRUMPYS.

GOOD LUCK TO ALL!

TRADERS CORNER:

Notice: All ads that have run for three (3) months will be deleted for next month's issue unless you renew them. To place a new ad or renewal of an existing ad, please call Bruce Creighton @ 609-971-3282 or send an Email to bacreighton@gmail.com.

***CLAMS CASINO, \$12.00 doz.** (individually frozen and wrapped), Please place orders in advance for upcoming Holidays. (Fish Hawks Special Buy 2 Doz. Get 25 Plus Bacon) Tony G (609) 242- 9471 (4/2017)

FOR SALE: MEDITERRANEAN SAUCE: (A Sauce for all Seafood). Use with baked fish fillets; All Shellfish dishes; (suggested recipe included). Quart container, \$7.00, call Tony @ (609) 242-9471 (4/2017)

FOR SALE: Heavy-duty electric winch. Mounted on dock \$200. Used and you come get it. Call Paul -609-440-0907 (4/2017)

FOR SALE: 2000 HYUNDAI. Std. Transmission runs well; New tires. Asking \$ 650. Contact Paul -609-440-0907 (5/2017)

FOR SALE: Assorted limited sizes FH Gear Available: short and long sleeve tees, henleys, a few guide shirts, hoodies, knit caps and (2) 2x jackets. More information and pricing on embroiderybykc.com go to the Fish Hawks tab or call/txt Kathy 732 580 7571. (4/2016)

WANTED: Looking for a mounting bracket for a Standard Horizon GPS/Chart Plotter model CP175C. Please contact Bill on 732-269-2164. (6/2016)

FOR SALE: 2000,Chevrolet Suburban, 1500 LT, 7 Passenger, leather seats, sunroof, loaded ASKING \$4,500 call Luke 609-618-0925 (10/2016)

FOR SALE: 2001 17' Sea Chaser by Carolina Skiff - 50hp Johnson Runs Great!!! With Trailer and all Paperwork. ASKING \$4,900. Call Doug 845-238-7272 (10/2016)

FOR SALE: Aqua sport 24 ' runabout 1996. 2003 225 four stroke Honda. Lewmor Profish 700 with 200' of ½" line. Furuno 6" color LCD, Garmin 514 GPS, 2 outriggers. Asking \$15,000. Contact Bernie Scesney 752-240-0467 (03/2017)

WANTED: Depth Finder. Any model. Contact 609-812-0821 (01/2017)

FOR SALE: Two 5ft stainless steel deck ladders. Easy to mount on your dock etc. \$50/each. Call Paul - 609-440-0907 (03/2017)

FOR SALE: PORKERT Meat Grinder #10 Includes 1 never used spare cutting blade and assorted

never used accessories. Was \$128 new. Asking \$50. Contact Gene 973 886 9682

FISH HAWKS SALTWATER ANGLER'S CLUB
22nd ANNUAL AWARDS BANQUET
SUNDAY May 21st, 2017 6:00 PM

CAPTAIN'S INN 304 East Lacey Road, Forked River NJ 08731

AGENDA

The annual awards banquet is a **casual** evening of socializing, dining, telling fish stories, and extended truths. The purpose of the banquet is to present trophies and prizes to members, who weighed in the heaviest fish for each species listed in the monthly contest, also to present gift certificates to winners of the monthly contest, also monetary awards to winners of the tournament days. We will also have a "Chinese auction", and 50/50 raffle.

EVENT

Our BUFFET dinner includes:

- Carved Prime Rib**
- Shrimp and Scallop Scampi**
- Chicken Marsala**
- Cheese Tortellini**
- Baked Salmon**
- Roasted Potatoes and Mixed Vegetables**
- Asian and Caesar salads**
- Boston Cheesecake, coffee & tea, for dessert.**

We will open the doors at 6:00 PM, and begin at 6:30 PM, dinner starts approximately 7:00 PM. The club will subsidize the fee for each member; therefore, the cost to members in good standing will be \$20.00. Cost for guests will be \$35.00. Awards will be presented following dinner. Tickets for the 50/50 raffle as well as the "Chinese Auction" will be sold throughout the event. This is always a great evening. We hope to see many members and guests in attendance. Cash bar, with bottles and or pitchers of beer can be purchased. Soda is included throughout the party.

WE WILL HAVE TABLES SET UP FOR 10 PEOPLE. IF YOU HAVE *TEN* PEOPLE IN YOUR PARTY PLEASE COME BY 6:00 PM, TO SAVE A TABLE. MAKE SURE YOU HAVE 10 PEOPLE IN YOUR PARTY TO FILL THE ENTIRE TABLE.

Kindly use Rear Entrance for Check-in purposes

Detach and Return This Section

Make checks payable to Fishhawks, and mail to: Karl Dahl, 416 Conifer Dr. Forked River, NJ 08731. Deadline is May 10th, 2017. I will also take money or checks at meetings.

Member name _____	Fee _____
Member name _____	Fee _____
Guest name _____	Fee _____
Guest name _____	Fee _____
TOTAL _____	