



# Bulletin

## Salt Waters Anglers of Bergen County NJ



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At The American Legion Hall, Post # 170, 33 West Passaic Street, Rochelle Park, N. J.

The Best Fishing Club in NJ

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Our Booth at Garden State Outdoor Sportsman Show, Steve Totten (left), John Piazza (right)  
A special thank you for all that helped make it a successful show for SWABC



### Up Coming Events

- February 21<sup>st</sup> Meeting– Jeff Dement from the American Littoral Society to talk about fish tagging and migration
- March 10<sup>th</sup> – Jersey Shore Fishing Show. Details in bulletin.
- March 16 – 18<sup>th</sup>, Somerset Fishing Show. Our club has a booth at it. Show is geared to saltwater anglers
- March 20<sup>th</sup> – Past President's Dinner at Mountainside Inn in Clifton. Celebration of club's 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.

Good fishing, good friends. That's what SWABC is all about

### February 21st Meeting

The educational part of this meeting will start at 7:30 p.m. Dennis Nieradka and Mike Rochinski to talk about the rigs and techniques they use for catching bluefish.

### Fish vs. Water Temperature

Blackfish---48-52	Mackerel---46-48
Cod-----42-45	Sea Bass----48-60
Flounder---48-52	Whiting----42-45
Fluke-----55-70	Blues-----55-72
Ling-----45-47	Weaks-----56-68

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The regular meetings will be held on the third Tuesday of the month, at 8:00P.M. The only meeting that is not held at the Legion Hall on Tuesday will be the night of the Past President Dinner. That month is March. A \$5 fee is required, for non-members, this entitles them to the 50/50 drawing, refreshments, snacks, and some new tricks about fishing. Welcome all; we hope you enjoy the evening

## President's Corner

We had a booth at the Garden State Outdoor Sportsmen's & Adventure Show (Raritan Show) and it was a very productive and a fun experience for all of us who visited the show, and for members who worked at our booth.

There were so many good buys on fishing gear with 20 to even 30% off fishing tackle! There were also good buys on hunting gear and all types of goodies like those good pickles that most of us bought and could not stop eating! We also signed up new club members because of our attendance at this show. We want to be at this show in 2013 since it was fun and advantageous for our club to be in it!

I want to thank all of our members who worked at our booth and that includes Richie Bunger and John Toth who set up our booth and for those who worked at it: Walter Amos, Steve Totten, Dennis Nieradka, John Piazza, Pat & Butch Pawson, Harold Gusterson, Harry Vogt, Charles Altman, Jim Galanaugh Jr., Dan Eberle, and Mark Capalbo. I want to give a special **Thank You** to **Rich Bunger** who did a fantastic job in making an eye-catching banner to identify our club at this booth. Also, Steve Totten who not only worked on Thursday at the show's opening, but he also stayed at nearby hotel at his own expense to work at our booth on Friday, the following day.

### *Thank you*

Thanks Steve, what a great salesman Steve was at selling our raffle tickets! A thank you goes to John Piazza for swearing in our board members for 2012

(On another subject, I forgot to thank Dennis & Joan Bowman for their shrimp platter contribution at our Christmas party. Sorry)

## January 17<sup>th</sup> Meeting Recap

We had Dr. Judith Weis as our guest speaker who wrote the book "Do Fish Sleep?" Dr. Weis is a professor of biological sciences at Rutgers University and she gave us so much information about fish that included their habitat, sex changes, how they build nests and other interesting information. Yes fish do sleep! It was a very interesting presentation.

## February 21<sup>st</sup> Meeting

The educational part of this meeting will start at 7:30 p.m. with member Dennis Nieradka assisted by Mike Rochinski showing the rigs and explaining the techniques they use to catch bluefish. Dennis's favorite fish to catch is bluefish and he is very good at it!

Our regular meeting will start at 8:00 p.m. and our guest speaker will be Jeff Dement from the American Littoral Society who will tell us some very interesting information about the results of their tagging program. It is amazing how far these fish can swim! Also, he will give a short power point presentation about the migration of eels to the Saragossa Sea that underscores how far eels can swim!

## Jersey Shore Fishing Show – March 10<sup>th</sup> at the Spring Lake Manor (By Dolans)

Shore Catch Guide Service of Manasquan (Jim Freda who came to our November 2010 meeting to talk about baits to use during the Fall season is a participant in this show) and StiperSurf.com will present the Jersey Shore Fishing Show at the Spring Lake Manor on March 10<sup>th</sup>. It is a "hands on" instructional format to address world class inshore and offshore fishing. There are 21 fishing seminars and workshops to attend. The seminars will focus on striped bass and tuna fishing and some of the industry's top tackle manufacturers, shops, plug makers and anglers will be present. The show will focus on fishing for pelagic species like bluefin, yellow fin, mahi, bonito etc., Registration is \$100 and includes an all you can eat buffet and a chance to win numerous prizes. Go to [www.jerseyshorefishingshow.com](http://www.jerseyshorefishingshow.com) for more info and to register.

## MARCH 20<sup>th</sup> MEETING – PAST PRESIDENT'S DINNER & 75<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY

**Our March 20<sup>th</sup> meeting** will be held at the Mountainside Inn in Clifton and it is our annual event to honor all of our Presidents who have served our club over its many years. We will also celebrate our club's **75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary** at the dinner. This dinner will start at **7:00 p.m.** with the reading of the names of all of our presidents. After the invocation is given by Chaplain Dan Eberle, the food will be served family style and it will start flowing with ziti, salad, garlic potatoes, roast beef, oven baked chicken, unlimited beer and soda, coffee and dessert. (The chicken is really good!) **Nobody will go away hungry!!!!!!**

**PAST PRESIDENT'S DINNER & 75<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY continued**

We will have guests from the NJ Outdoor Alliance, the Jersey Coast Anglers Association, boat captains, environmentalists, the press, and other notables involved in the fishing industry. Each guest will be asked to say a few words and you will hear firsthand what is going on with the fishing scene with people who are on top of the serious issues that impact the sport we all love.

The cost of the dinner **remains the same** as last year at **\$25** and **\$30** if tickets are bought at the door. If you have not already done so, see **Harold Gusterson** to buy your tickets at our February 21<sup>st</sup> meeting or call him at **(201) 337-6490** to reserve your tickets so that you do not have to pay an extra charge at the door. By buying your tickets before the event, we can have a better head count to call into the Mountainside Inn. **While everything has gone up in price, we have maintained the same cost for the dinner as last year since we want as many club members and their guests to attend as possible and enjoy themselves!**

**We will also have a great Dark Horse with many prizes to be won.** Our Board members have been working real hard to buy rods, reels and other prizes for you lucky winners

**Club members will also be recognized for the largest fish they caught in the Big Fish Contest that we have.**

**Fishing Expo – Garden State Exhibit Center, Somerset, NJ (March 16-18)**

This is a show that you do not want to miss since its focus is on **saltwater fishing**. **It runs from March 16<sup>th</sup> thru March 18<sup>th</sup>**. Our club will also have a booth at this show and we need volunteers to staff it, at least two minimum per each shift. The show hours and the volunteers needed at specific time slots are listed below. Volunteers get **free admission** since they work at the show. John Toth is organizing the staffing for our booth so please let him know the day and shift that you would like to work. See John at our February 21<sup>st</sup> meeting or call him at (732) 656-0139 or email him at [tothjohn@verizon.net](mailto:tothjohn@verizon.net) to contact him about this show.

<b>March 16 (Friday)</b>	<b>March 17 (Saturday)</b>	<b>March 18 (Sunday)</b>
Noon to 4:00 p.m. Bob Cameron, John Piazza, William & Charles Rupprecht, Steve Totten	10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Harold Gusterson Harry Vogt	10:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Steve Totten
4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.	2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Jim Zimmer Dan Eberle	2:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

**New Club Members – Welcome Aboard!**

Chae P. Hong – Rochelle Park

Ryan Gutherie - Morristown

Ron Nightingale – Hawthorne

Jack O' Hara – Hillsdale

Matt Christensen – Bergenfield

## **Sale of SWABC Items for 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary**

Club member Richie Bunger has been leading the effort (with the help of other members) to develop new items that identify us as members of the Saltwater Anglers of Bergen County. These items have our new 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary logo on them. At our February meeting, Richie will show these items that are available and he will take orders from members on what you want to purchase. Also, if you have any new ideas to celebrate our 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary or for new fund risers for our club, including special fishing trips, Please talk to our president or any of our board members. The items follow are available:

*SWABC Sweat Shirt - \$20 each*

*Large & Extra Large Tee Shirts - \$10 each*

*2 Extra Large & 3 Extra large Tee Shirts - \$15 each*

(For an extra \$5.00 you can order these shirts with a large club logo on the back, and you can have your name, the even, type of fish you caught, size and date!)

*Sample Back Logo*



*SWABC Hats - \$10*

*Hand Towels with clip - \$3*

*Bumper Stickers \$1*

*Window Stickers 50 cents.*

This is the final standing of our Big Fish Contest for 2011.  
Ray Pharao's entry of a big ling was overlooked. **Sorry Ray!**

## Big Fish of the Year

	<b>Species</b>	<b>Min/Wt</b>	<b>Total Wt.</b>	<b>Angler</b>
1	Blackfish	4	11 Lbs.—00 Oz.	Bob Cameron
2	Bluefish	12	18 Lbs. – 14 Oz.	Butch Pawson
3	Cod Fish	10		
4	Flounder	1 1/2	3 Lbs. – 08 Oz.	Butch Pawson
5	Fluke	4	8 Lbs. - 02 Oz.	Walter Amos
6	Ling	3	4 Lbs. – 02 Oz.	Ray Pharao
7	Pollock	10		
8	Porgy	1 1/2		
9	Sea Bass	2		
10	Striped Bass	12	30 Lbs. – 02 Oz.	Chuck Santoro
11	Weakfish	3		

**Upcoming Events and Fish Trips for 2012.** We are just getting charter trips booked and more will be added as the year progresses.

May 19<sup>th</sup> – Striped Bass Trip – Fins On Feathers - John Piazza – (201) 843-1941

September 9<sup>th</sup> – Bocce Tournament – Glen Rock

October 27 – Blackfish Trip – Fins On Feathers – John Piazza – (201) 843-1941

November 3<sup>rd</sup> – Striped Bass Trip – MiJo – Andy Dixon –

November 24<sup>th</sup> – Blackfish Trip – Fins On Feathers – John Piazza – (201) 843-1941

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### **Membership Application for the Saltwater Anglers of Bergen County**

*Mail To: American Legion Hall Post # 170*

*33 West Passaic Street  
Rochelle Park, N.J. 07622*

Please enclose a check or money order in the amount of \$30.00 for a one-year membership, into New Jersey's #1 Salt Water Fishing Club.

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