

CLUB NEWS

October 2009

PO BOX 9, SEASIDE PARK, NJ 08752

www.berkeleystriperclub.org



The purpose of the Berkeley Striper Club is to promote a greater interest in good fellowship and sportsmanship among fisherman, as well as, promoting a more friendly and harmonious relationship between land owners, tenants and municipalities, for the control and preservation of Our natural resources that will help fishing.

2009 Calendar

Thur. Jan. 8th
Meeting
Thur. Feb. 5th
Meeting
Sat. Feb. 28th
Meeting, Flea Mkt.
setup
Sun. Mar. 1
Flea Market
Thur. April 2
Meeting
Thur. May 7th
Meeting
Sat. June 6th
Meeting
July Picnic
To be announced
Sat. Sept. 5th
Meeting
Thur. Oct. 1st
Meeting
Montauk
Sept. 20-21st
Thur. Nov. 5th
Thanksgiving Meeting
Sat. Dec. 5th
Holiday social meeting

OFFICERS

President

Gary Beeg- 732-270-2519

Vice President

Craig Lorenz-732-793-3478

Secretary

Tim Brennan- 609-971-5922

Treasurer

Tom Basile- 732-581-4503

Delegate-At-Large

Steve Perna- 732-221-0540

President's Corner

Dear Members,

Fall is here! This is a great time to be out on the water, many opportunities abound. Baitfish are on the move and the Bass and Blues will be on their tails. So get out and fish, and enjoy your time on the water. The multi-club tournaments resume towards the end of October, check our website for the specific dates. Fred Bogue will be doing a tagging demonstration at the next meeting, which is Thursday Oct. 1st. hope to see you all there. Please remember to release some for next time.

Gary Beeg

Meeting Reminder – Thursday, October 1st, at 7:30pm

The next meeting of the Berkeley Striper Club will be held on Thursday, October 1st at 7:30pm at the Seaside Park Borough Hall.

I have received a number of inquiries about why our intra-club standings have not been reported in our newsletter. The reason is primarily because the deadline for newsletters is the 15th of each month. As of 5/15 I had not received one weigh-in slip.

On another subject, I agreed to be a moderator on a relatively new web site, www.stripedbassobsession.com. If you go on that site and go to Skippy's Forum, you will see that the site has a "sticky" for various fishing clubs including ours. Since our members cannot post info. on our message board until our site is overhauled, we can use this site to exchange info. Also a couple of custom plug makers affiliated with this site have pledged a plug to the person who catches the largest striper in each of the multi-club tournaments this year

Paul Haertel

Saturday Social Meeting

All Saturday meetings are "social"
So don't forget to bring a covered dish of your favorite entrée or desert.
It's not always about fishing you know, we have to eat too!!

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Welcome to all the new members, remember joiners join
And members work. Get involved, you will not regret it!

RICH RITOTA
JOE OCHANAS
DAVE CAHILLY
PHILIPPE REUX

BILL BRADY
ELLEN BLOKING
JOHN BLOKING

WE HAVE NEW SHIRTS!

Frankie Sommerer has made up a beautiful new set of long sleeve shirts and they are available for the low price of \$10.00 each. We also have sweatshirts for \$20.00 and t-shirts for \$8.00. Sweats and t's are limited so get them while you can!!

Tagging 2009

The Tagging studies are done for last year . Please pick one up at a meeting. I also have the printouts for those who participated in tagging last year. If you can't make a meeting feel free to call me at 609-654-2064.

I also have tagging needles and you can purchase tags or needles at a meeting.
Possible fall tagging day for boat anglers. Please call me if you have any interest and I will proceed in setting it up.

Good luck tagging
Fred Bogue

2009 Invitational Tournament Schedule & Rules

There will be 8 Multi-Club tournaments. Minimum size will be 30” for all tournaments. All waters allowed **one fish per day per angler** from shore **ONLY**. A pectoral fin must be clipped at the time of weigh in by the weigh master.

All clubs will hold competitions based on the **five heaviest fish** per club.

A plaque will be awarded to the competing angler who weighs in the heaviest fish in each tournament.

Spring Tournaments

May **19-24** (Tuesday 5pm – Sunday 12noon) Bradley Beach

May **27-31** (Wednesday 5pm - Sunday 12noon) Asbury Park

June **3-7** (Wednesday 5pm – Sunday 12noon) Berkeley Striper Club

June **10-14** (Wednesday 5pm – Sunday 12noon) Monmouth Beach

Fall Tournaments

October **20-25** (Tuesday 5pm- Sunday 12 noon) Bradley Beach

October **28-Nov. 1** (Wednesday 5pm – Sunday 12noon) Asbury Park

November **4-8** (Wednesday 5pm – Sunday 12noon) Monmouth Beach

November **25-29** (Wednesday 5 pm- Sunday 12 noon) Berkeley Striper Club

**** Shark River and Spring Lake will not participate in weekly tournaments and have chosen for month long tourney's at the current time.**

Tentative dates: Shark River May 15 5pm - June 21 12pm

Spring Lake Live Liners: September 28 5pm – Nov. 8 12pm

The current rules are not written in stone but should be something along these lines :10 largest from each club, 3 fish per angler total, 30” Min.

2009 Invitational Tournament Weigh -In Station

Betty and Nicks

807 SW Central Ave.
Seaside Park, NJ
732-793-2708

Surf City Bait and Tackle

317 Long Beach Blvd.
Surf City, NJ
609-494-2333

The Dock Outfitters

Rt. 35 South
Seaside Heights, NJ
732-830-8171

Scott's Bait and Tackle

57 Main Street
Bradley Beach, NJ
732-988-6450

Fisherman's Den

900 Marina Ave
Belmar, NJ
732-681-5005

Surfside Bait and Tackle

Long Branch, NJ
732-222-4436

Reel Seat

Brielle, NJ
732-223-5353

Jersey Coast Bait and Tackle

561 Mantoloking Rd.
Brick, NJ
732-451-1077

The Tackle Box

1134 State Rt. 36
Hazlet, NJ
732-264-7711

Bahr's Landing

2 Bay Ave
Sandy Hook, NJ 07732
732-291-9554

If you have any questions about the Multi- Club Invitational Tournaments please contact Chris LaGrossa at lagrossaf@aol.com or Cell Phone 732-754-2970

Berkeley Striper Club
PO Box 9
Seaside Park, NJ 08752



Next Club Meeting
Thursday, October 1st, at 7:30 PM



History of the Berkeley Striper Club

The Berkeley Striper Club was officially formed and incorporated as a non-profit organization on November 26th, 1966 and was so recorded at the Ocean County Clerk's office. The Certification of Incorporation explains the purpose of the Club is to "promote a greater interest, good fellowship and sportsmanship among surf fisherman, as well as promoting a more friendly and harmonious relationship between land owners, tenants and municipalities with surf fisherman".

The five trustees listed on this certificate who were among the Club's founding members were Steve Celio, Eddie Blase, Joe Devlin, Earl Booher and John Kleva. Some of the other founding that I can recall were Harry & Ruth Moses, Leo Wroblewski, Mahlon Schyler, Mollie Devlin and Phyllis Blase. It is interesting to note that the Club's monthly meetings are still held in the Seaside Park Municipal building as they were when it was formed.

Mike Whalen

BERKELEY STRIPER CLUB
2009 INTRA CLUB AWARDS PROGRAM

Trophy Category

Eddie Blasé Award for Largest Striped Bass - Trophy plus \$100. Cash
Boat Angler of the Year – Trophy or \$40. Gift Certificate
Surfcaster of the Year – Trophy or \$40. Gift Certificate
Largest Bluefish - Trophy or \$40. Gift certificate
Largest Weakfish - Trophy or \$40. Gift certificate
Largest Fluke - Trophy or \$40. Gift certificate

Plaque Category

Striped Bass Division

Shore Caught

1st place - plaque or \$40. Gift certificate
2nd place - plaque or \$35. Gift certificate
3rd place - plaque or \$25. Gift certificate
4th place - plaque or \$20. Gift certificate

Boat Caught

1st place - plaque or \$35. Gift certificate
2nd place - plaque or \$25. Gift certificate

Largest striper caught on an artificial - plaque or \$20. Gift certificate
Largest striper caught out of state - plaque or \$20. Gift certificate
Largest Striper caught by a woman from shore - plaque or \$20. Gift certificate
Largest Striper caught by a woman from a boat - plaque or \$20. Gift certificate
Largest Striper caught by a youth from shore - plaque or \$20. Gift certificate
Largest Striper caught by a youth from a boat - plaque or \$20. Gift certificate

Bluefish Division

Shore Caught

1st place - plaque or \$30. Gift certificate
2nd place - plaque or \$20. Gift certificate

Boat Caught

1st place - plaque or \$20. Gift certificate

Largest Bluefish caught by a woman - plaque or \$20. Gift certificate
Largest Bluefish caught by a youth - plaque or \$20. Gift certificate

Weakfish Division

Shore Caught

1st place - plaque or \$30. Gift certificate

2nd place - plaque or \$20. Gift certificate

Boat Caught

1st place - plaque or \$20. Gift certificate

Largest Weakfish caught by a woman - plaque or \$20. Gift certificate

Largest Weakfish caught by a youth - plaque or \$20. Gift certificate

Fluke Division

Shore Caught

1st place - plaque or \$20. Gift certificate

Boat Caught

1st place - plaque or \$20. Gift certificate

Largest Fluke caught by a woman - plaque or \$20. Gift certificate

Largest Fluke caught by a youth - plaque or \$20. Gift certificate

Special Awards Division

Bill Sculerati All Around Sportsman Award - To be presented to a member of the club who has shown outstanding qualities of an all around fisherman and sportsman. This award shall be inscribed as follows: "The Bill Sculerati All Around Sportsman Award - Presented to ----- in memory of Bill Sculerati, a great sportsman and avid fisherman. This award is given to a member who exemplifies Bill's high standards and dedication to the club." An individual can only win this award once every five years.

President's Plaque - Given to the President of our club each year. If he serves as President for more than one year he can receive a new plaque or turn in the old one for additional engraving.

Boat Angler of the Year

Scoring for this award will be by a point system with 1 point a pound for striped bass, 2 points a pound for bluefish, 3 points a pound for weakfish and 4 points a pound for fluke. However, only the two largest striped bass and single largest bluefish, weakfish and fluke will be scored for each member. A member will have to weigh in a fish for at least 3 different species to be eligible for this award. If no member weighs in eligible fish for at least 3 species, the award will be decided by two species. Minimum sizes to qualify for this award are as follows: Striped Bass 15 lbs, Bluefish 10 lbs., Weakfish 5 lbs and Fluke 4 lbs.,

Surfcaster of the Year Award

Scoring for this award will be by a point system with 1 point a pound for striped bass, 2 points a pound for bluefish, 3 points a pound for weakfish and 4 points a pound for fluke. However, only the two largest striped bass caught during the spring run from April 1st – July 15, and two largest bass caught during the fall run from September 1st – December 31st, along with the single largest bluefish, weakfish and fluke caught at any time throughout the year will be scored for each member. A member will have to weigh in a fish for at least 3 different species to be eligible for this award. If no member weighs in eligible fish for at least 3 species, the award will be decided by two species. Minimum sizes to qualify for this award are as follows: Striped Bass 15 lbs., Bluefish 5 lbs., Weakfish 4 lbs., Fluke 2 lbs.

General Rules

1. For the trophy category, fish may be caught from the shore or a boat.
2. Each fish can only win one award. Additionally, plaques will be awarded provided that a fish that has won a higher award would not have won a lesser award. For example, if the largest striped bass was caught from the shore, it would win a trophy and there would be no first place plaque for shore caught striped bass.
3. Each member can only win one award for each sub-division. For example a member cannot win two prizes for shore caught stripers but he could win one prize for a shore caught striper and another for a boat caught striper.
4. TO BE ELIGIBLE TO WIN ANY OF THE AWARDS, MEMBERS MUST ATTEND AT LEAST FOUR MEETINGS DURING THE CALENDAR YEAR EXCEPT THAT YOUTH MEMBERS MUST ATTEND TWO MEETINGS OR ONE MEETING AND ONE OTHER QUALIFYING CLUB FUNCTION. It is the responsibility of the member to sign the attendance sheet at the meetings. Credit for meeting attendance will be given to any member who attends the annual awards banquet, picnic, or other functions as determined by the club. Credit will also be given for working at our flea market.
5. **An affidavit must be filled out and submitted by the member within one month of catching the fish. THE AFFIDAVIT MAY BE PLACED IN THE CLUB BOX AT BETTY & NICKS, GIVEN TO OUR TOURNAMENT CHAIRMAN, PAUL HAERTEL OR MAILED TO HIM AT: 160 DOHERTY DR., CLIFTON, NJ 07013. DO NOT MAIL INTRA-CLUB SLIPS TO THE CLUB OR FALL DERBY SLIPS TO PAUL OR THEY WILL NOT COUNT. If you are submitting a fish for both the intra club tournament and the Fall Derby, you have to fill out two slips. (Fall derby slips must be mailed to the club at: P.O. Box 9, Seaside Park, N.J. 08751)**
6. All fish must be weighed at a store with a certified scale. The affidavit must be signed by the weigh-master.
7. Members must have paid their dues before a fish is caught in order for it to be eligible.
8. Fish must be caught on a rod and reel in a sporting manner and within compliance of the law. The only help anyone can have in catching a fish is to have someone net or gaff it for him.
9. A member caught cheating in any fishing tournament or for any club award shall be ineligible to win any award from the Berkeley Striper Club.
10. Except for the one out of state award all fish must be caught in New Jersey waters.
11. An artificial shall be defined as a lure having absolutely no natural bait, or synthetic scent attached to it. Fish caught trolling are not eligible for the award for the largest striped bass caught on an artificial.
12. In the event of a tie, the first fish caught shall receive the higher award.
13. The intra club tournament runs from January 1st through December 31st. It shall be the member's responsibility to see that the final standings are correct by checking them at the January or February meeting or by contacting the tournament chairmen. Any appeals must be made by the February meeting.
14. It shall be the responsibility of the individual prizewinners to notify the tournament chairman as to whether a gift certificate, plaque, or trophy is preferred. All gift certificates are ordered from Betty & Nick's. Failure to notify the tournament chairman by the February meeting will result in trophies and plaques being ordered.

15. Any questions or information on current standings may be obtained by contacting the tournament chairman, Paul Haertel at (973)943-8201 cell) or (973) 472-5630 home) or e-mail anglerpqh@aol.com
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Mail Intra- club Tournament slips to: BSC Tournament Chairman,
160 Doherty Dr., Clifton, N.J. 07013 - Mail Fall Derby Slips to:
BSC Derby Committee, P.O. Box 9 Seaside Park, N.J. 08751

Name: _____
Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
Phone Number: _____
Weigh in for: Intra-club: _____ Derby: _____
Species: _____
Weight: _____ Length: _____
Date Caught: _____
Location: _____
Boat or Shore: _____
Bait or Lure: _____
Weigh-in Station: _____
Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
Phone Number: _____
Weigh master's signature: _____

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Phone Number: _____
Weigh master's signature: _____

Committee Chairperson Contact List

Apparel	Fred Bogue	609-654-2064	Linesider50@verizon.net
Apparel	Frank Sommerer	732-793-5622	
Awards Banquet	Mike Tutela Phil LaGrossa	908-910-6273 732-929-0947	mptsr46@aol.com pjlagrossa@hormel.com
BSC Education Fund	Fred Bogue	609-654-2064	Linesider50@verizon.net
Club By-Laws	Fred Bogue	609-654-2064	Linesider50@verizon.net
Club Newsletter	Tim Brennan	609-971-5922	tbthirty@hotmail.com
Derby	Dominick Talerico	201-725-7726	bigbassking2@aol.com
Entertainment	Jim Konrad	215-470-9715	
Fishing Activities	Rich Kostrub	609-314-0987	Rkostrub1@excite.com
Flea Market	Nancy Peterson	732-280-3281	seascape41@optonline.net
Historical Archives	Mike Whalen	732-793-2466	mjwglass@yahoo.com
Library	Greg Rasar	609-668-4931	tickle41@comcast.net
Membership	John Budish Sr.	732-793-6516	
Intra-Club Tournament	Paul Haertel	973-472-5630	AnglerPMH@aol.com
JCAA	Joe Chrzanowski	609-693-8042	joe2el@aol.com
Legislative	Al Gabriel	732-929-0375	
Montauk	John Budish Jr. Tim Brennan	732-674-2774 609-971-5922	mako7@comcast.net tbthirty@hotmail.com
Multi-Club Tournament	Chris LaGrossa Mike Tutela	732-754-2970 908-910-6273	lagrossaf@aol.com mptsr46@aol.com
Picnic	Ken Hollins	848-333-2767	Bigfishboy50@aol.com
Steward	Steve Perna	732-221-0540	SRPerna@aol.com
Spring Tournament	Paul Haertel	973-472-5630	AnglerPMH@aol.com
Tagging Program	Fred Bogue	609-654-2064	Linesider50@verizon.net
Treasurer	Tom Basile	732-581-4503	5basiles@comcast.net
Tagging Sales	Gary Beeg Sr.	732-270-2519	Plumbob046@verizon.net
Ways & Means	Ken Hollins	848-333-2767	Bigfishboy50@aol.com
Website Admin	Tom Gallagher	215-702-3558	webmaster@berkeleystriperclub.org

Newsletter Submissions

We welcome contributions to "Club News." Areas of interest can include but are not limited to: General Member News; Fishing Techniques & Tackle; Fishing Success Stories and Experiences; Book Reviews; Tip of the Month; Recipes; Articles from area newspapers relating to fishing etc. **If you would like to contribute something to the newsletter, please send your information with a contact name and phone number to Tim Brennan at tbthirty@hotmail.com NO LATER THAN THE 15th OF THE MONTH.** If your submission is not received by this date, there is no guarantee that it will make the next issue. Thank you for your cooperation.

PLEASE NOTE: Newsletter submissions also apply to all committee chairpersons – email Reminders will no longer be sent.

WE NEED YOU!!!

Volunteers are sorely needed to help with club activities

And functions. Rich Kostrub has stepped up to the plate as fishing activities chair, go get em Rich! We also need people to help with the spring tourney, the awards banquet and the many other things that make this club what it is.

It's time to step up guys and gals and do your part to help the club make 2009 a year to remember!!

2007 Intra Club Standings

Trophy Category 1 st striper – Shell E.Caris 51 lbs. 12 oz.	Largest Striper caught on an artificial – Dominick Talerico 41 lbs. 11 oz.	Bluefish – youth
1 st blue –	Largest Striper caught out of state –	Weakfish Division Shore Caught 1 st – Dominick Talerico 9 lbs. 11 oz.
1 st weak – Phil LaGrossa 15 lbs. 10 oz.		2 nd – Paul Haertel 9 lbs. 5 oz.
1 st fluke – Lou Alfonso 14 lbs.	Largest Striper caught by a woman from shore	Weakfish – boat 1 st – see trophy category
Plaque Category Striped Bass Division - shore 1 st See trophy category	Largest Striper caught by a woman from a boat	Largest weakfish caught by a woman -
2 nd . Phil LaGrossa 46 lbs. 11 oz.	Largest Striper caught by a youth from shore	Largest weakfish caught by a youth -
3 rd Mark Brancaccio 45 lbs. 4 oz.	Largest Striper caught by a youth from a boat	Fluke Division Shore Caught 1 st - Rodney Erdo 4 lbs. 5 oz.
4 th Dominick Talerico 43 lbs. 11 oz.	Bluefish Division Shore caught 1 st –	Boat Caught 1 st – see trophy category
Striped Bass – boat 1 st - Lou Alfonso 44 lbs. 10 oz.	2 nd	Largest Fluke caught by a woman
2 nd - Phil LaGrossa 42 lbs. 11 –	Bluefish – boat 1 st –	Largest Fluke caught by a youth
Surfcaster of the Year Dominick Talerico Phil LaGrossa Chris LaGrossa (all very close and will not be decided until after the fall)	Largest Bluefish caught by a woman	Boat Angler of the Year Phil LaGrossa

Stripers Forever – the Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission – ASMFC – the group of East Coast states that regulate striped bass, is taking public comment and holding public hearings on a proposal to allow states with commercial quotas to transfer the quota that they did not report as caught in one year to the next year. This means that if, in a given commercial state, the quota was 1,100,000 pounds, and only 990,000 was caught in 2011, then in 2012 the new quota could be 1,210,000 pounds.

Stripers Forever thinks this is just a thinly disguised attempt to add to commercial quotas, and that it is a very bad idea. Here is why:

1. If the state fails to reach its quota over the course of an entire season, it is a very good indication that there simply are not as many striped bass out there as the fishery managers estimated. Given the fishing reports that we have been receiving this is a very likely scenario. Just adding one year's deficit to the following year simply compounds unwarranted pressure on the fish. Fishery management needs to be more risk averse, not more intent on vacuuming up every possible fish for the market.
2. Transferring uncaught quota to the next year provides an incentive for some commercial fishermen to sell their catch under the table and, as a bonus, receive a larger quota the following year. Time and again some members of the commercial community have shown their willingness to sell under the table. Every year there are arrests and convictions. The ASMFC ignores this and makes no estimate of the illegal catch nor allowance for it in their management plans. They are sticking their head in the sand.

We are urging all of our members to write to the ASMFC as indicated in the last paragraph of the instructions below, and/or to attend the meeting in your state – also listed below – and let officials know that you oppose any commercial quota rollovers.

Brad Burns President Stripers Forever

New Jersey Division of Fish and Wildlife

October 6, 2009; 7:00 PM

Toms River Township Clerk's Office

L. Manuel Hirshblond Room

33 Washington Street

Toms River, New Jersey

Contact: Tom McCloy at (609) 292-7794

*** Public comment will also be gathered on Weakfish Draft Addendum IV (8:00 PM)**

Fishermen and other interested groups are encouraged to provide input on Draft Addendum II, either by attending public hearings or providing written comments. ~Copies of Draft Addendum II are available via the Commission's website at www.asmfc.org under Breaking News. ~Public comment will be accepted until 5:00 PM (EST) on October 16, 2009 and should be forwarded to Nichole Meserve, FMP Coordinator, 1444 'Eye' Street, NW, Sixth Floor, Washington, DC 20005; (202) 289-6051 (FAX) or at nmeserve@asmfc.org (Subject line: Striped Bass Draft Addendum II).

Fluke

In case you have not seen the e-mail or heard, Dave Chandra has restricted flounder from being caught in the Governor's Tournament on October 4.

