

Pioneer Valley Boat & Surf Club Meeting

Wednesday February 4, 2015

Springfield Yacht & Canoe Club

Board of Director's Meeting 7:00pm

Regular Meeting 7:30pm

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Our speaker tonight will be Al Gag. Al will be showing a video of his Whip-it-fish jig. Al will show how to use this lure and various techniques. He will have jigs on hand to sell.

Last month's speaker was Dennis Zamboratta who did a nice presentation on fishing the needlefish plug. He also went into detail on how to fish Block Island. Dennis also talked about the history of Rhode Island surf fishing and of the better well known fisherman.

Membership dues are \$30 and should be paid to our treasurer Don Prior. Please see Don if you have a change of address or email.

Fish slips should have been given in by now to Sean Carey.

We are getting ready for the Springfield Sportsman's Show which will be held on February 19, 20, 21, and 22. We need volunteers to set up on Wednesday night at 6:00pm. Volunteers are needed to man the booth daily. We will have a signup sheet at this meeting. If you volunteer you will get a parking pass and free entry on the day you work. Hours are Thursday 3-9; Friday 12-8; Saturday 9-7; Sunday 10-5. We will also need help in taking down the booth on Sunday at 5. The show is held on The Big E fairgrounds in West Springfield, MASS. We have a large booth with fishing equipment, a kayak, and pictures of fishing events. We sell raffle tickets for the fishing trip on "The Ernit" with Captain Jim Puhala. Please support our booth and sell raffle tickets in which this is our largest fund raiser for

the club for the year. Ray Nacewicz has the raffle tickets and if you need some, he will gladly give you some. All members are encouraged to sell raffle tickets.

Our ice fishing get together will be on Sunday February 15, 2015. The place is at Camp Ramah in Palmer, MASS. Time will be 8am to 12noon. Prizes and food will be served. We encourage all young fisherman and fisherwoman to attend. Sean Carey will be hosting and cooking at this event. We will have a signup sheet at our next meeting. Please indicate how many will be in your party that will attend and how many young fisherman you have with you.

Ray Nacewicz will have the tickets for the RISAA show at this meeting for those who purchased them ahead of time.

The 7th annual fishing and hunting swap will be in Feeding Hills March 8, 2015. Cost is \$2 to get in. This event will be held at the Polish Club. Ray Nacewicz will be getting a table for our club to sell raffle tickets. Volunteer needed to help Ray. Any member who would want a table to sell their fishing or hunting gear can contact Dave Dussault at 413-427-0846.

Our club banquet will be held on March 28, 2015 at the Cavalier restaurant in Chicopee. Time will be 6:00-6:30 social hour. Dinner served at 6:45pm. Cost is \$30 per member. Choice of boneless breast of chicken; filet mignon; or broiled scrod for dinner. The meal will come with chicken noodle soup, oven browned potatoes, green beans, and apple pie with ice cream for dessert. There will be a sign up sheet at our next meeting. Thanks to Tom Misiewicz for making the arraignments. Jim McKeough will be purchasing the raffle table prizes. All members are encouraged to bring a raffle prize for the table. Club fishing awards will be given at this event. Member of the year award will be given, and we are looking for nominations for member of the year. Please let me know of a deserving member. We also invite the Hartford Surf Club to attend this event.

50/50 Raffle takes place every meeting. Special thanks to Bob Genetelli for running this monthly raffle. Thank you to Bob for getting the coffee and refreshments at all of our meetings.

Future Events & Meetings:

February 15, 2015 – Ice fishing get together –Camp Ramah, Palmer, MASS. 8am-12noon.

February 19, 20, 21, 22, 2015 - Sportsman's Show at the Big E.

February 27 – March 1, 2015 – RISAA Saltwater Fishing Show.

March 4, 2015 – Regular Meeting – Speaker John Panetta.

March 21, 2015 – Pomeroy's Sugar House Breakfast.

March 28, 2015 – Club Banquet at Cavalier Restaurant.

August 1, 2015 – Red Cliffe summer get together.

Sincerely,

Bob Ruzala

President