

Pioneer Valley Boat & Surf Club Meeting

Wednesday February 7, 2018

Board of Director meeting 7:00

Regular meeting 7:30

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This month's speaker will be Al Gag. Al will present his latest lures for salt water fishing. Al's lures were very productive this year at the canal. Al is a very colorful speaker with a great presentation for us to enjoy. Al has been a very good supporter of our club.

Last month we had our club auction. Thanks to Peter Jezouit who did a great job organizing and chairing this event. Peter and Chris Noftall did a nice job auctioning off the many items.

Please pay your dues for this year's membership to Don Prior, our treasurer. The dues are \$30.

50/50 raffle takes place every meeting. Special thanks to Roy Britton for running this event. Thank you goes to Ken Adams along with Peter Jezouit for running the snacks and coffee.

The Springfield sportsman show will take place on February 23-25 at the Big E in West Springfield, Mass. We will need to set up for our booth on Thursday night at 6:00pm. All members who help out at the booth will be able to enter the show for free. We will also have free parking for those who help out. The show runs Friday through Sunday. We need everyone's help to man the booth. Sign up at our February meeting to volunteer. Show times are Friday 12-8, Saturday 9-7, Sunday 10-5. We also will have a new membership drive at this show in which any new member that signs up will be awarded a ticket for a drawing for a salt water rod and reel. This drawing will be at our March meeting, and the new member needs to be present to win. We ask those in attendance at our booth to sell raffle tickets to the visitors.

This month Ray Nacewicz will have raffle tickets for our clubs largest fund raiser. This will be for the fishing trip on “The Ernit” captained by Jim Puhala. We thank Jim again for donating this trip to our club. All members are encouraged to sell at least \$10 worth of tickets.

Discount tickets for the RISAA salt water fishing show for March 9-11 will be \$8.00. All tickets must be paid for at the February meeting. Ray Nacewicz will be collecting money for this show. He will have the tickets you purchase at the March meeting. Show times are Friday 1-8pm, Saturday 9am-7pm, Sunday 10am-5pm. Sunday is family day, all women and kids are free admission.

The 8th annual Agawam fishing and hunting swap will take place on March 4th. The show will be at the Polish American Club in Feeding Hills, Mass. Hours are 8am to 1pm. Our club will have a booth there. There will be 50 tables of fishing and hunting items for sale. Many good deals are found at this show in the past.

Our club banquet will be April 7, 2018 at the Cavalier restaurant in Chicopee, Mass. Hartford surf club also joins us for this night of camaraderie and fun. Jim McKeough will be purchasing items for our super raffle. Members are encouraged to bring prizes for the raffle. Choice of meals will be Filet Mignon, Boneless breast of Chicken, or Broiled Scrod. Cost of the meals will be determined at our board of director meeting on February 7th. Social time starts at 6:00pm. Fishing club awards will be presented. We will eat dinner at 6:30. Thanks to Tom Misiewicz for making the plans and for contacting the restaurant.

Let me know of any guest speakers you would like to see for our future meeting. We are looking for speakers for the rest of the year. As always club members are welcome to do a presentation.

Future Events & Meetings:

February 7, 2018 – Regular meeting, Speaker Al Gag

February 23 –25 - Springfield sportsman’s show, Big E, West Springfield

March 7, 2018 – Regular meeting, Doc Rubin will be speaking on ticks and items needed for a first aid kit for fishing.

March 4, 2018 - Agawam fishing and hunting swap, Polish American Club, Feeding Hills, Mass.

March 9-11, 2018 - RISAA Salt Water Fishing Show, Providence, RI

April 7, 2018 – Club Banquet at Cavalier restaurant, Chicopee, Mass.

August – Red Cliff Summer get together and picnic, South Hadley, Mass.

Sincerely,

Bob Ruzala

President