



# Narragansett Surfcasters Newsletter

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## Who's Who

### Officers

President: Dennis Rebelo  
1st Vice President: Dave Peterson  
2nd Vice President: Al Corrente  
Secretary: Howard Mahady  
Recording Secretary: Mark Hudzin  
Treasurer: Alan Schmeid

### Board Members

Nelson Valles  
Robert Woody Woodard  
Andy Lemar

## Merchandise

Have you seen the new Narragansett Surfcasters merchandise? Cliff will be taking orders at our next meeting for new club t-shirts, sweatshirts and hooded sweatshirts. These new items are high quality items and come at a great price for club members!

## Newsletter Option

Do you want to go paper-free? Save the club money and the environment by choosing to receive your monthly newsletter via email. Send an email to Alan Schmeid [eschmied@cox.net](mailto:eschmied@cox.net) if you are interested.

## Next Meeting: 1/16/07 7:00 p.m. "The History of the Needlefish Plug"

Our next meeting at the Narragansett Community Center will include a special presentation by local fisherman DZ. "The History of the Needlefish Plug" will cover the history and development of needlefish plugs from the 1940's through current day models.

This presentation is based on a chapter from his book project entitled

"The Snowstorm Blitz" and will focus on the time period during the 1980s when needlefish popularity soared during the great striped bass runs on Block Island .

DZ will also include some interesting needlefish facts and effective techniques to use while casting needlefish.

The presentation will

conclude with a question and answer session as well as various needlefish on display.

*DZ has been surfcasting for striped bass since the early 1970s. The highlight being the mid 1980s when he was fortunate enough to have taken part in the great runs on Block Is-*

## Banquet News Save The Date March 20th

Banquet committee member Mark Hudzin informed us that the club has reserved the upstairs of the Senior Center for our yearly banquet. We will need a total headcount of members and spouses attending by the February meeting. This is very important. Please RSVP to Mark at [mhudzin@hotmail.com](mailto:mhudzin@hotmail.com) or at the next meeting.

The banquet committee is still working out the menu and all costs associated with the banquet.

We have roughly \$625

dollars in our budget for this event. Several options were offered by Mark to pull this off.

1. Review the menu offered by Rivers Edge and use all \$625 available.
2. Supplement the \$625 with potluck-- with members supplying the additional food required.
3. Supplement the \$625 with cash-- with members paying the difference required.

4. Leave the \$625 in the kitty, use some of the

\$625 for door prizes and make members pay for the total cost of food for the event. The idea being that if members were to pay we could guarantee attendance

Mark will present sample menus and costs per person at the next meeting in January. We are asking for your help in rounding up door prizes and or the event!

**Please complete the form on page 3 of this newsletter so we can get a better headcount for the banquet.**

# Tournament News



Tournament committee member Bob D'Oliver reported the final tournament standings for the year. They are as follows:

## Bass

1st Place: Thomas McGuire, 35.84 lbs, length unknown, girth unknown

2nd Place: Thomas McGuire, 34.8 lbs, length 42 1/2", girth 22"

3rd Place: Mark Maldonis, 30.76 lbs length 40" girth 23 1/2"

## Bass Junior Division

1st Place: Anthony Tartaro, 15 lbs 12 oz, length 36", girth 18 1/2"

## Blue

1st Place: Nelson Valles, 12lb., length 33", girth ?"

2nd Place: Nelson Valles, 10.5lbs, length 32", girth 15"

3rd Place: Paul McAdam, 10lb., length 32", girth 15"

Congratulations to these anglers for their efforts!

Addressing members concerns, board members suggested a change in next years tournament structure.

One of the suggestions brought forward was to limit each angler to one fish placed per species. A discussion was also raised to extend the length of the tournament, possibly having it run from January 1 through December 31. The idea of including a fly fishing category to our yearly tournament was also discussed.

A motion was made and passed to table the issue until the next meeting in January.

## Treasurer Update

Club Treasurer Alan Schmied reported a balance of \$1572.00 in the club treasury. Expenses in the previous month included: \$267.00 for club patches and \$58.00 in postage fees to cover newsletter expenses.

Alan issues membership cards for the club. If you have paid your dues for the upcoming year and have not received a membership card, please contact Alan at [eschmied@cox.net](mailto:eschmied@cox.net) or see him at the next meeting.

## Entertainment

Woody Woodard is now in charge of Entertainment for the club. If you have any suggestions for upcoming speakers for our monthly meetings please contact Woody at [maduke@cox.net](mailto:maduke@cox.net) or see him at the next meeting.

## Classified Ads

Got some fishing gear to sell?

Rods, Reels, Lures, Boots, Boats?

As a member of the Narragansett Surfcasters, you can place free classified ads on our website:

[www.narragansettsurfcasters.com](http://www.narragansettsurfcasters.com)

We will keep your item posted on them posted for thirty days or until the item sells, whatever comes first.



If you have something fishing related that you would like to sell, email a picture, brief description and your phone number to Tom Clune, [tom@tomclune.com](mailto:tom@tomclune.com) or see him at the next meeting.

# Annual Banquet Attendance Form

Please let us know if you plan to attend the Annual Banquet on March 20<sup>th</sup>, 2007. Bring this form with you to the next club meeting or mail to Mark Hudzin at the below address

Rather use email? Send response to [mhudzin@hotmail.com](mailto:mhudzin@hotmail.com)

Rather use the phone, or have questions? Call (401) 475-0987 (Mark Hudzin)

*Please print carefully*

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Will you attend the banquet?

Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

No. of guests \_\_\_\_\_

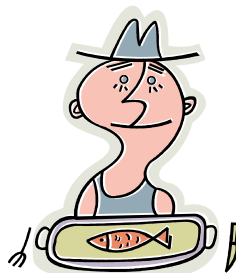
*Cost has not been determined yet, but should not be more than a few dollars each, or no cost at all.*

**Mail response to:**

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# **Newsletter Announcement**

Welcome to the new year! We hope you had a great holiday season and Santa got you that new Van Staal you've been admiring.

As we start a new year, we also have a new newsletter design!

I'll be your Newsletter Editor and I look forward to bringing you the latest club information.

This is your newsletter, so feel free to send me your thoughts and ideas or see me at the next meeting.

Tom Clune

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