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## THE PLUM LINE

The Official Newsletter of The Plum Island Surfcasters

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### Presidents Message

July has finally arrived and things are actually starting to dry out. The fishing is starting to go into its normal summer time patterns and larger fish are starting to show up on the club tournament front. Take advantage of the cool nights and you might be rewarded with a cow. I hope everyone has a great summer, but be safe.

K. Moore

### JR's Program

You asked for it you got it. The JRS program will once again be participating in the Yankee Homecoming parade on Sunday August 6th. Volunteers will be needed for the float and as many participants as possible. Two flags representing the kids program are going to be made and carried in the parade as well as the club banner. Following the parade there will be a cook out at my home for all participants and their family. If planning to walk in the parade, remember to wear comfortable sneakers, sun screen, and a hat. It's a pretty good walk and it can be warm. Water and drinks will be available. Be at the Market Basket parking lot before 11 a.m.

The next JRS fishing trip will be on Friday July 28th. Meet at Surfland at 5:30 p.m. for supplies and fishing location.

K. Moore

### Jr's. Program Schedule

Sites to be determined by fish:

Friday July 28th: Fishing trip

Friday August 25th: Fishing trip/ possible overnighter

Friday September 29th: Plum island overnighter

Friday October 13th: Plum island overnighter

Saturday September 16<sup>th</sup>: Beach Blast

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The Plum Island Surfcasters are offering a presentation by  
**Don Jalbert**

"Late Summer Fishing in New Hampshire"

He will be sharing his insight on where, how and why you should be fishing the stretch of water along Route 1 A in New Hampshire. He will be sharing his 35 years of fishing experience from Marblehead to Portsmouth NH.

**July 18, 2006 @ 7:30 PM**  
at the Newbury Fire Hall, Newbury Ma.

The doors will open at 7pm for coffee and conversation; a short general meeting will take place prior to the start of the presentation. A light dinner will be offered prior to the meeting for a donation of \$3.00.

For more information please contact: Larry Craig at 978-828-4441  
For information about our JR Program, please call Kevin Moore at 978-255-1028

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### REFRESHMENTS

**NO TIME TO EAT BEFORE THE MEETING, NO WORRIES.**

The refreshment committee will be offering a nice home cooked meal before each meeting for a donation of \$3.00. Below you will find the menu for the next three months. So come **HUNGRY!**

July: Hamburgers & Hot Dog on the grill

Coffee and snacks will continue to be offered for a small donation.

The refreshments committee, and the JR. Surfcasters Thank You for your continued support.

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### Legislative update

The proposed ocean legislation that the PISC have been opposing for the past year is in its waning hours in the state Senate. The efforts of this club along with countless others have had a tremendous impact to keep this ill-conceived bill from leaving the Senate. Things are looking good that this bill will die a deserving death as the July 31st legislative session closes in. The Recreational Fishing Alliance will be keeping close tabs on any developments that occur over the next few weeks. However, we are quite optimistic that we will have a victory on this issue.

The Massachusetts striped bass commercial season will start on Wednesday, July 12th. The same structure as last year is in effect this year. Open fishing days are Sunday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. Commercial daily possession limits are 5 fish on Sunday and 30 fish on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. The season will be open until the striped bass state quota is reached.

As a reminder, the Massachusetts state minimum length on cod is 22 inches. In the federal waters of the Gulf of Maine, the minimum length on cod is 24 inches. There is a daily bag limit of 10 cod whether fishing state or federal waters. Minimum length on haddock in both state and federal waters is 19 inches with NO daily bag limit.

## **TOURNAMENTS**

### **Plum Island Invitational Results:**

1st Place Team #7 Stripers Unlimited 132 Fish

Ron McKey  
Edward Trost  
Paul Trost  
Steve Mantia  
Fred Steele

2nd Place Team #2 PISC "B" 107 Fish

Aaron Quinlan  
Dan Quinlan  
Shaun Quinlan  
Joe Camilliere  
Kevin Moore  
Anthony Temperino

3rd Place Team MSBA "A" 60 Fish

Lee Perry  
Bill Prodouz  
Charlie Murphy  
Chris Lincoln  
Patrick Paquette

Largest on Bait; Dan Pittinger 36"  
Largest on Lure: Kevin McGrath 27"  
Most Points: Paul Trost 42 points

### **Club year long tournament standings:**

#### **Striper from Surf Kept - Senior**

1<sup>st</sup> place - Kevin McGrath - 27 lbs 8 oz.  
2<sup>nd</sup> place - Kevin Moore - 13 lbs 12 oz.

#### **Striper from Surf Released - Senior**

1<sup>st</sup> place - Kevin McGrath - 40"  
2<sup>nd</sup> place - Pete Hofstetter - 32"

#### **Striper from Boat Kept - Senior**

1<sup>st</sup> Place - John Noonan - 10 lbs 12 oz.

**Striper from Boat Released - Senior**

1<sup>st</sup> place - John Noonan - 43"

2<sup>nd</sup> place - Rodney Radcliffe - 39"

3<sup>rd</sup> place - Daniel Shine - 37"

**Bluefish from Boat Released - Senior**

1<sup>st</sup> place - John Noonan - 34"

Plum Island Year Long – May 1<sup>st</sup> – October 31<sup>st</sup>

Tri-State Tournament – Maine Leg – September 8<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>

Exotics – October 1<sup>st</sup> – November 1<sup>st</sup>

Tri-State Tournament – Rhode Island Leg – October 27<sup>th</sup>, 28<sup>th</sup>, 29<sup>th</sup>

Die Hard – November 1<sup>st</sup> – November 30<sup>th</sup>

**2006 SCHEDULE:**

**July 18- Don Jalbert, "Late Summer Stripers in NH"**

**Aug 15- Kevin Moore, "Surf Fishing the Island from the River to the Refuge"**

**Sept 19 – Steve McKenna, "Techniques for Big Bass After Dark"**

**Oct 17 – TBA**

**Nov 18 – Saturday Awards Banquet/Photo Contest/Fish Stories**

**Dec 19 – Yankee Swap – Gifts and Desserts**

**Club meetings are the 3rd Tuesday of every month at the Newbury Fireman's Hall. Doors open at 6:30pm for setup. A short business meeting will start at 7:30pm, followed by a quick raffle drawing, and then our speaker will follow. We try to be done by 9:30pm. The hall is located off Route 1A@Morgan Ave, behind the Newbury Town Hall and Fire Dept.**

Plum Island Surfcasters

General Meeting Notes

June 20, 2006

The President called the meeting to order at 7:30p

Minutes for last Board meeting read & General meeting were approved as printed in the newsletter

**Sergeant at Arms** reported

33 Members

6 Board Members

5 guest

3 JR

**Treasures Report:**

Dean Wills gave his report and it was placed on file

**Report of Committees**

Membership:

Don Jalbert reported 160 members and 5 new at June's meeting

**Ways & Mean:**

No report given

**Junior's Program:**

Friday's fishing trip had 8 kids/4 Adults everyone was into fish at 9:15 we were chased off the beach by bug and everyone went out for ice cream. The casting Clinic was held on Saturday and we had a great turn out, for most of the morning with things petering out around 11:30p. Sunday was the Mackerel Fishing Trip, the fishing was not very good and members had to be turned away.

**Programs:**

October's meeting will be a round table of experienced members, sharing their knowledge of the area and the sport.

**Internet Coordinator:**

No report given

**Tournaments:**

Kevin McGrath gave a report on the Club Invitational, he outlined the Boat Tournament. He announced the change in the Exotics Tournaments date, it will take place from Sept. 1st thru Nov 1st.

The Year Long Current Standing were announced and Tim Brooks spoke about the Tri-State  
Sept. 8,9,10 Maine Oct. 27, 28, 29 RI

**Legislation:**

No report given, President asked if any members had any new knowledge of legislation to share with no one responding.

Old business

Go Fish September 16th at the PI Refuge and the rain date is Sept. 17th. More information will follow.

**New Business**

The Surfcasters will be participating in the Yankee Homecoming Parade again this year, the President had a request for interested members to contact Jean Moore if they are interested in helping with the float or being in the parade.

Tri-state team, please contact Tim Brooks or Kevin McGrath

A motion was made to adjourn, the president closed the business meeting at 7:50pm and Dave Hadden was introduced as the evening speaker.