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Fifty Years-A Half Century

Who would have thought, from a first meeting of a small group of surf fishermen and Mildred Randall (our treasurer to be for 27 years), in a basement on 55th St. Plum Island, an organization to be called The Plum Island Surfcaster would go on to celebrate a 50th anniversary.

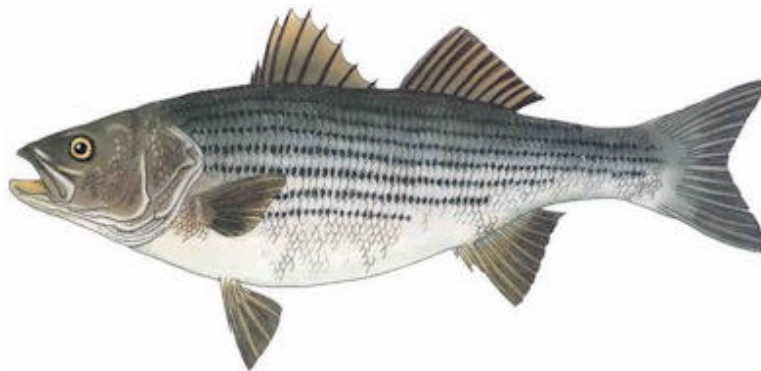
Looking back at over 50 years as a surfcaster, 30 years as newsletter editor –incredible experience. If we were to stand at the ocean's edge, and live again the lost battles and tall tales of striper fishing – endless memories. The pursuit of striped bass had few boundaries. Sleep was secondary. The submerged rocks of Boar's Head, the silent waters of Joppa Flats. The many islands of Boston Harbor to the outer beaches of Cape Cod.

Over the years we have watched spring cross this island's threshold and with it came the annual beach clean-up followed by the beach buggy parade and the club's bass tournament. Seaworms were second to bloodworms as the bait of choice and the glassy bellies of a summer sea consumed them all. Skates and dogfish were there for the night fishermen as the full moon paled into the heavens and a river of life flowed across the nights sky—the wild music of Canada geese.

Memories are like poetic seascapes—we hang 'em on the mind's wall. Perhaps because we feel we may never see 'em again—but we do.

Year after year, after year.

Bob Smith



Presidents Message

Happy birthday Plum Island Surf casters you're fifty years old. The anniversary dinner is booked and all that's left is to get together and have a good time. I hope to see everyone there Ruth has worked very hard as well as everyone else who has lent a hand. The seasons winding down and a memorable one it was. Some truly impressive fish were taken by the surf crew this year starting with Tim Brooks setting the bar pretty high right off the bat with a fish over thirty, only to see that trumped by John Noonan with a fish approaching forty, and then came Aaron Quinlan with a forty. There is a lot of fine fisherman in this club, some of the best on the North shore. It would be a wise man to sit down at the anniversary dinner with one of these guys, have a beer and pick their brain for a while.

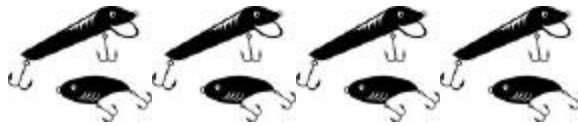
Congratulations to Peter Graves and John Fish on their election by the club at the October general meeting to Life membership.

See you at the dinner,
Kevin M. Moore

JR's Program

The jr's program is done till after the holidays and will start up again the last Saturday in January with our classroom instruction at the Wildlife refuge headquarters. I will be putting together this year itinerary together over the next few months. See you in January.

K. Moore



*The final tournament standings will be announced at the banquet
this year.*

Welcome to our new members

Mark Pine Matt Tobin

If you are interested in serving on the 2008
PISC Board, please see a board member.

Or make your nominations at
the November meeting.

**Plum Island Surfcasters
50th
Anniversary Celebration**

Saturday

November 17, 2007

Elks Lodge

Low Street Newburyport

6pm until 11pm

Catered Italian Buffet
Music and Raffle Table

Tickets go on sale

October 1, 2007

15.00 per person 40.00 per family

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