Berkeley Striper Club Newsletter



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President's Corner

Hi Folks,

First and foremost, I truly hope everyone is safe and healthy as we navigate through these unchartered waters as a club, individuals, and a country. With daily doses of uncertainty, a few hours to get away and catch a few is much needed therapy for the mind and body! As I type this, more restrictions are coming down on travel limiting the times and areas we will be allowed to fish. That being said, now is a great time to get tackle ready, review logs, and get out when you can. We are moving into my favorite time of the year, the spring run! The ospreys, bunker and bass have started showing up in the normal locations a tad earlier than in years past, more than likely due to the exceptionally mild winter.

As you can imagine, all meetings have been put on hold for the time being and the sedge trip has been canceled. Our plan is to communicate through email and FACEBOOK until we get to the other side of this. The officers are meeting via conference call and making sure all the club responsibilities are takin care of.

The officers and committee heads are still working diligently to keep all events and functions on track for this spring summer and fall, we will have to wait and see what impact this shut down will have as we get closer to each event.

If you know a member, a group, or organization that may be able to use our help please communicate to the officers. This is certainly a time when we need to be there for one another, with any luck we will be out of this sooner than later! Stay healthy and safe!!!

John

2020 Calendar

Meeting, Wed.1/8, 7:30PM Meeting, Wed.2/5, 7:30PM

Meeting, Sat 2/29, 6:00PM Toms Rv.Int. North School

Flea Market, Sun 3/1, 6:00AM

Meeting ,Wed.4/1,7:30PM

Meeting, Wed.5/6, 7:30PM

**Meeting, Sat.6/6, 7:30PM

Picnic, July 19th

**Meeting, Sat.9/12,7:30PM

Meeting, Wed.10/7,7:30PM

Meeting, Wed.11/4,7:30PM

**Meeting,Sat.12/5,7:30PM

**Saturday meetings, please bring a covered dish

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*Due to the ongoing issues associated with the Corona virus we will need to cancel our planned trip to Sedge Island (May 1-3). We will look to reschedule if possible.

Thanks.

Steven Perna

25th Annual BSC Fishermen's Flea Mkt Report

To all the BSC Members here and Volunteers "Thank You" for making the 25th Anniversary Berkeley Striper Club Fishing Flea Market one of the best events of the Show Season here in New Jersey.. It was a great success and a fantastic day all around as I have received a lot of positive feedback from the vendors and attendees that visited, and that would not be the case if it wasn't for all of you and the hard work that goes into running this type of show. It really shows and stands out the extra added effort put in by everybody involved. We hit our target number of paid attendees through the door and just came up shy of breaking our overall record of total dollars raised for the club.

"Thank you" again everyone. Steve George

Dear members,

Hopefully you are all staying safe and practicing social distancing. We are all looking forward to getting "back to normal". This summer we are still moving forward with having our annual **BSC Pete Kras Memorial Summer Picnic**. This year we return to **JOHN C. BARTLETT**, **JR. COUNTY PARK AT BERKELEY ISLAND** located at *399 Brennan Concourse in Berkeley Township on* **Sunday July 19**th **2020**

They have been closed since Hurricane Sandy. However, the park was redesigned and reconstructed. There is a large 100' fishing/crabbing pier. A children's splash park was added along with a new playground. New picnic areas, bocce, corn hole and horseshoe courts were also added. There are new bathrooms and a new pavilion. We have a beer/wine permit so if you are interested, you are welcome to bring your favorite drinks to enjoy. Please note that no balloons of any kind or any Styrofoam products are allowed.

Since I expect additional children to come to the picnic this year, I have asked Ed if he would provide rods/reels, tackle, and crabbing supplies that could be used during our picnic to take advantage of the new pier. Bait will also be supplied. Thank you Ed!

If you are interested in helping out, please email me at basiles5@verizon.net and I will add you to the list. We need volunteers to help get the supplies, cook some crabs, and help out the kids fishing/crabbing during the day. I also need to hire 2 grillers to cook the burgers and set up the tables during the day. If you know someone that may be interested, please reach out to me with their contact information or have them reach out to me directly.

Looking forward to seeing everyone soon.

Tight lines,

Tom