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If you have changed your mailing address, phone number, e-mail address, or you do not receive or miss an issue of the newsletter, please contact Membership Chairwoman, Sandi Roy. Sandi's cell phone is 609-618-6211 or an email can be sent to robandsandi@yahoo.com. Please do not leave a message on her home phone.

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Yearly membership cards for those current in dues are available at the meeting. If you have paid your dues and have not received a current dues card, please see Mickey Sherry Treasurer, at the meeting. If you have or want a speaker on a specific subject, please contact our Guest Speaker Chairman Ken Kawalek at 609-575-1230

“SEA TOW offers 13 months for the price of 12 and an additional \$20.00 off for a yearly membership for Fish Hawk members!”

Boat US membership discount code is **GA83831B**. Ask for new member applications.

Presidents Message

Fellow Fish Hawks,

As we turn the corner into October, the air is getting crisper, the days shorter, and the fishing still excellent! While Fluke season has closed, Seabass is now open again with a bag limit of 10 fish per angler—plenty of opportunity to bend a rod before winter sets in.

Our Members Picnic on September 13th was a fantastic success. A big shoutout to Tony and Cy for organizing the day, and to everyone who pitched in to make it run smoothly. From setting up tables, organizing food, shucking clams, and cleaning up afterward—it truly took a team effort. The food was outstanding (those clams were the talk of the day!), and the camaraderie made it even better. Thank you all for making it such a memorable event.

Looking ahead, our next meeting will be held on October 2nd, 2025. We're excited to welcome Mr. Paul Jeffries from Re-Clam the Bay as our guest speaker. He'll share insight into their important work and how we as anglers can get involved. It promises to be an informative and engaging presentation you won't want to miss.

As always, tight lines, fair seas, and I look forward to seeing you on the water.

Dave
Vice President

Fish Hawks Boat Trips

All payments for the Boat Trips must be in 10 days before the scheduled trip.

Oct 7, Sea Bass & Bottom Fish, (10) Fish limit

Nov. 19, Blackfish/ TOG, (5) Fish limit

Any Questions call Bob Merkle 609.902.7394 or Whitey 609-242-3745

“THE HAWK”
(OCTOBER 2025)

THE BIRD: A FEW OF OUR MEMBERS WERE ABLE TO FISH THE OFFSHORE WRECKS THESE PAST FEW WEEKS FOR FLUKE. ROB ROY & HIS CREW HAD 4 IN THE BOX WHEN WE SPOKE TO HIM ON FRIDAY. THE SEABASS FISHERY WAS CLOSED FOR SEPTEMBER & YOU WERE ONLY ALLOWED 1 TOG. VAL & KENN HAVE BEEN LIMITING OUT ON TOG FISHING THE INLET. WE ARE ALL LOOKING FORWARD TO THE FALL FISHERY.

OCTOBER TOURNAMENT DAYS

TD #15; SUNDAY OCT. 5th , TD #16; FRIDAY OCT. 17th , TD #17 MON, OCT. 27TH

AUGUST MONTHLY CONTEST RESULTS

THERE ARE 8 FIRST PLACE ENTRIES FOR THE MONTHLY CONTEST \$25 BONUS.

THE ENTRIES WERE:

<u>BLACKFISH:</u> 4.35 lbs. ROBERT MAURO	<u>BLOWFISH:</u> 1.10 lbs. ROBERT MAURO
<u>FLUKE:</u> 6.22 lbs. DOUG ITJEN	<u>BLUEFISH:</u> 5.78 lbs. KENN SEEFELT
<u>SEA BASS:</u> 2.29 lbs. DAWN ITJEN	<u>LING:</u> .98 lbs. ROBERT MAURO

BAY TOURNAMENT (AUGUST RESULTS)

ADULTS: **BLOWFISH;** ROBERT MAURO 1.1 lbs. **KINGFISH;** ROB MAURO .85 lbs.
VALARIE SEEFELT .46 lbs. NO 2nd PL.
NO 3RD PL. NO 3rd PL

YOUTHS: **BLOWFISH & KINGFISH;** NO YOUTHS PARTICIPATED

GO TO OUR WEBSITE FOR ALL CONTEST & TOURNAMENT RESULTS

ANNUAL CLUB MEMBERS PICNIC

WE HAD ANOTHER OUTSTANDING 1st CLASS PICNIC & THE WEATHER WAS GREAT. APPROXIMATELY 90 MEMBERS & THEIR GUESTS ENJOYED THE FOOD, GAMES & COMRADERIE. THANKS TO THE INCREDIBLE NUMBER OF VOLUNTEERS OUR PICNIC WAS A HUGE SUCCESS! SPECIAL THANKS FOR ALL THE “HOMEMADE” FOOD. FRANK GENTY FOR ALL THE COOKING POTS & BURNERS

MEMBERS PICNIC CONTINUED

& THE LINGUINI FOR THE SEAFOOD; CY GUADAGNINO THE SAUSAGE & PEPPERS; TONY G THE MEDITERRANEAN & THE NEW ENGLAND CLAM SAUCE. TO RICH MOHRBUTTER FOR THE BUSHELS OF THE SWEETEST CORN I'VE EVER TASTED.

THANKS TO ALL THE BAKERS WHO PROVIDED THE FANTASTIC DESERTS, BILL WESTERVELT WHO PROVIDED ICE, BRIAN CIDERN WHO TOOK CARE OF THE BEER, SODA, WINE, ICE, MUSIC & TENT. SANDI AT THE "WELCOME" TABLE (STICKING EACH OF US WITH A CUSTOMIZED NAME TAG).

CHUCKY, JOHN PORPORA & JOHN OSTMAN OUR "CLAM SHUCKERS" ROB ROY & TOM KOWINSKI ON THE GRILL, ROBERT MAURO 50/50, ALL THE WIVES WHO HELPED SERVE (RUTH, LORI, & PAT) & THE GUYS WHO SET-UP & CLEANED UP.

TONY & CY GUADAGNINO (CHAIR & CO-CHAIR) OF THE PICNIC COMMITTEE WOULD LIKE TO THANK EACH & EVERY ONE OF YOU FOR YOUR HARD WORK & SUPPORT!!!! (SORRY TO THOSE I MISSED)!!!!

FISH BITES: FLUKE SEASON CLOSED SEPTEMBER 25th

**SEABASS RE-OPENS OCTOBER 1st THRU OCTOBER 31st
10 FISH @12 1/2"; NOVEMBER 1st - DECEMBER 31st; 15 FISH @ 12 1/2"**

**BLACKFISH OPEN THRU NOVEMBER 15th; 1 FISH @15"
NOVEMBER 16th - 12/31, 5 FISH @ 15"**

DENNY'S HAS A SLOGAN, "IF IT'S YOUR BIRTHDAY, THE MEAL IS ON US & IF YOUR IN DENNY'S ON YOUR BIRTHDAY, YOUR LIFE "SUCKS"!!!!

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*******LACEY FOOD BANK*******

October 2025

October brings a chill into the Air: Once again, Good Ole' Mother Nature has sent a chill into the air as a warning to start preparing for the cold weather that is about to come our way. With that in mind, the Lacey Food Bank is asking its supporters to drop off **“soup items”** in addition to the regular items listed below. I'm sure that there might be other items that will warm and satisfy the body chill on those cooler days that are to come.

Let's strive in to make our October meeting have 100% participation. If everyone were to bring just one or two cans of soup or any of the items on the list below to the meeting, that would be a home run for the Fish Hawks. If by chance, you wish to make a monetary donation to the Lacey Food Band at our October meeting, there is a canister next to the Lacey Food Bin to deposit your check made out to the Lacey Food Bank or place money into.

This list of items that are needed at the Food Bank, but any food contribution is welcomed. Here is a short list of items: **However, all food items are welcomed besides those listed below.**

Peanut butter

Jelly

Macaroni and cheese

Pasta and Spaghetti sauce

Cereals

Chicken noodle soup

Spaghetti O's

Snacks like pretzels, peanut butter crackers, Goldfish crackers, fruit snacks, cookies, etc.

Juice boxes

Apple juice

Applesauce

Thanks again for your support.

Sincerely

Ken Rylak

Nomination of Officers



The time has come again to nominate the Officers of the Fish Hawks Club. As we grow in membership, we need to have a rotation of officers to continue the life of this wonderful club and the things we as fishing people support and enjoy.

Many of the current officers are serving way beyond their call of duty.

So, we are asking for your support. Think about offering your time and talents and placing your name for nomination or nominating another talented member, please fill out the information area below of who you would like to be a officer, please include your name.

Thank you for any consideration you may have in becoming an officer or nominating someone.

Contact: Bob Merkle UBFishing@comcast.net 609-902-7394 or

Ken Kawalek klsancap@verzion.net 609-575-1230

You can also bring this filled in form to the October and November meetings.

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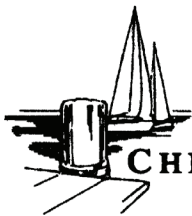


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