

THE REEL NEWS



Sorry, I couldn't resist

North Brookhaven Sport Fishermen Club Newsletter * Feb 2025

Find us on Facebook at North Brookhaven Sport Fishermen (NBSFC) and on the web at NBSFC.com

Next General Club Meeting

We will hold our next meeting **Monday, February 10, 7:30PM** at the Rose Caracappa Senior Center located at 739 Route 25A, Mt. Sinai, NY 11766. Our guest speaker will be Tara McClintock, Fisheries Program Mgr., Cornell Co Op (Suffolk Cty).

Board Meeting

The Board met Jan 27th at the *Heritage Diner* to discuss the club status, upcoming general club meeting agenda and any future events. Jim Courtney reported a treasury balance of \$7,000.



Cash or checks accepted

*** Awards Dinner \$50/pp**

*** Dues \$50/ea.**

*** Sell your Raffle tickets & hand in \$\$\$**

More details Pages 3 and 6

**** Still Have the Winter Blues? – See Page 5 ****

Wish You Were Here – The pool is 5 months running, so be sure to make February's meeting for a pool that could reach **\$200**

Mark Ernst was NOT at the January meeting & missed out on the \$168 pool, which will roll over to the February meeting. Remember you must be at the meeting & participate in the pool (\$1.00/pp) for your chance to win. See Carl DeMarco at the meeting to join.

NBSFC at the Striper Day Show

The Club had a table at the Jan 19 Striper Day Show at Ward Melville HS. Though not as large as the upcoming March 2025 show there was a good crowd that braved the elements before the afternoon snow hit the Island. About a dozen members helped out at the table or stopped by to say hello. The event gave us a chance to showcase the Club to local surfcasters and share information with potential members.



Upcoming 2025 Events

**** The Club will have a table at the 2/15 AND 3/1 shows ****

Feb 15 (Sat) – Rocky Pt Fishing Expo (RP-HS) - 1st time show at this location

See Flyer that was attached to the email

March 1 (Sat) – Ward Melville HS Fishing Expo ****Not to be Missed Show ****

April 5 - The Club assisting NYS/DEC @ Belmont Lake St Park, North Babylon

April 5 – 13 Freshwater Tournament Week. All Club rules apply.

April 19 - Sinker Melt, Eddie's House ~ Ridge, NY

Current Fishing Contests

NYS Surf Contest - This contest is month-to-month.

* We need a new volunteer to be our Club Representative for the NYS Surf for 2025

* The **Fluke, Albie & Bonito** proposal is still under consideration for the NYS Surf Contest

NBSFC Saltwater Contest – See Dan Viafore. (dviafore@aol.com)

NBSFC Freshwater Contest – See Rob Randise at meeting or email (rrandise@optonline.net)

You can hand-in hard copies at the meeting or go to NBSFC.com and complete an electronic version. Due dates for the club's internal contests are meeting-to-meeting.

Upcoming 2025 Guest Speakers

March – Capt. Jeff Recko – Aqualina2 Charters - Light tackle fluke fishing in Moriches Bay

April – Heidi, the NYDEC Fisheries Manager

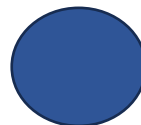
May – Rich Conolly, Custom Rod Builder

If you have any ideas for future guest speakers please contact our Club President, Robert Raps.

We need speakers for the latter part of 2025.



Full Moon – Feb 12



New Moon – Feb 27

2025 Club Dues

You can see Eddie at the next meeting to pay your **\$50** club dues.

Cash or check payable to NBSFC. Memo field “2025 Dues”.

New Party Boat Coordinator in 2025

Jack Bowman will be heading up the effort in 2025 to coordinate Party/Charter Boat trips for the club's members. Using *WhatsApp* and other messaging tools we are looking to expand the effort of communicating with all members about who is going on a planned party boat trip and what members would be interested in joining. More info to come in the next few months.



See Eddie or Jack at the next meeting to make sure your name is on the [contact list](#) if interested.

Awards Dinner



Mark your calendar for **Thursday, Feb 20, 2025** to celebrate the event winners and the accomplishments of the club at the ***Sonoma Grill***, 1730 No. Ocean Ave. Holtsville. **Start time – 6PM**. The menu will include 4 main dishes (chicken, shrimp, sausage & peppers and pasta/veggies) with unlimited salad, soda, coffee/tea and cookies/cake. **\$50/pp**. Cash Bar. See Eddie at the February meeting to sign up. Pay by cash or check. Mark memo field “Awards Dinner”. This is a great event to bring your spouse/partner and show off the club.

- **Remember to bring Singles (\$1 Bills) for the Dollar Raffle Box.**
- **If you have new or gently-used fishing related items that you would like to donate to the raffle table at the dinner, please contact Steve Schumacher at 631-356-9321**

Annual Raffle

Raffles tickets are available for our Annual Fundraiser to be drawn at the Awards Dinner. Point person for tickets is Anita. If you did not get your tickets at the past meetings they were mailed to you. Prizes: *Amazon* gift cards: First Place is \$400 & 2nd place \$150. We are asking every member to sell at least \$20 worth of raffles but would appreciate anything more you can do to make this year's fundraiser a big success.

Let's Hit Our



Stay Connected to other Club Members with WhatsApp

Download the app and contact Rob Raps or Garrett (Admins) to give you access to the NBSFC group



More Popular Fishing Movies

(Suggested by one of our Club Members)

Captains Courageous (1937) Spencer Tracy	Bait Shop (2008) Bill Engvall
Grumpier Old Men (1995)	Orca (1977)
To Have and Have Not (1944)	Breaking Point (1950)
The Gun Runners (1958)	Alamo Bay (1985)
Moby Dick (1956)	12-mile Reef (1953)
Boy on a Blue Dolphin (1957) - Sophia Loren	The Mag (2018) like Jaws but bigger
Fisherman's Friends 1 & 2 (2019 and 2022) Based on a true UK story.	

A Club Mold is MIA

One of our club's molds is Missing In Action. Please see if you have the following in your possession that you borrowed and forgot to return. Return to Steve Schumacher. **Do-It Ultra Minnow Jig (Spro type) ½ - 1 ½ oz jig.**

Save the Date

It's not too early to get out your 2025 social calendar and mark off Saturday, August 16th for our Annual Club BBQ & Picnic

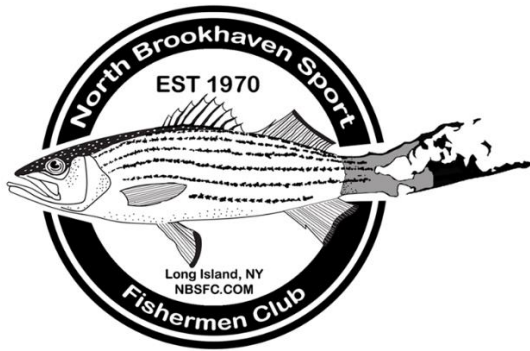


**ROSES ARE RED.
VIOLETS ARE BLUE**



**FISHING IS CHEAPER THAN A DINNER
FOR TWO**

***Make sure you
practice reciting
before Feb 14th***



***Your 2025 NBSFC Board
Members are Looking
Forward to a Great Year
while Celebrating Our 55th
Anniversary***

President – Rob Rapisarda VP: Steve Schumacher Treasurer: Jim Courtney

Recording Secretary: Anita Castorina Financial Secretary: Eddie Fraczak

Sgt@Arms: Chris Sabella Corresponding Secretary: Carl DeMarco

Board Trustees: John Lebrun, Doug Brodsky & Jack Bowman

Special Committee (Contests Coordinators): Dan Viafore & Chris Arfsten

The Reel News Editor – Carl DeMarco