I’d like to take a moment to say hello and thank you for electing me as President. I’d like to start off by saying that we’ve had a difficult first half of 2008. Due to serious illness, the membership function has lagged behind. I believe the worst has past and Terri is well on her way to recovery. That also affected publication of this newsletter. That being said I look forward to regaining our momentum.

NJBBA is an active participant in the Cape Hatteras National Seashore Recreation Area access issues. In June through July we ran a fund raiser that raised over $12,000 for OBPA / CHAPA for their legal fund.

In New Jersey, your association was involved in the ordinance change in Long Beach Township to restrict beach vehicle access. That ordinance was tabled. The Borough of Stone Harbor apparently backed away from a plan to turn the Point area into a bird sanctuary that would have banned beach vehicles and restricted pedestrian access. NJBBA sent a letter to Commissioner Jackson of the NJDEP voicing our opposition to the proposal by several municipalities to have the public banned from jetty access due to safety concerns. Commissioner Jackson told a group including JCAA, NJSFSC and NJOA members that that would never happen.

NJBBA is an active member of the New Jersey Outdoor Alliance, NJOA. Formed in 2007 to fight for sportsmen’s rights during the fall election it has gone on to hire a lobbyist in Trenton to further the sportsmen’s voice in the legislature. NJBBA is a member of the council.

See our 2008 calendar. There are many worthwhile activities planned for this year. They include beach clean-ups, HOFNOD youth events, Disabled Veterans fishing outings, free ASAC tournament fishing, Hunting & Fishing Day, our 30th Great Fall Classic, Presidents Cup and our member fishing contests and pool.

Your board is active in state and national organizations to further support our rights to access and resources. They include New Jersey Federation of Sportsmen’s Clubs, New Jersey Outdoor Alliance, UMS, United Four Wheel Drive Association and ASAC to name a few.

Look for changes to our website. It is undergoing a face lift. As it’s a “work in progress” it will change from time to time. Check in often.

Tight Lines,
Eric
Another fishing season is gone. I hope everyone was able to wet a line a much as they wanted. Home and work pressures, not to mention fuel costs, make it harder and harder to find time to sneak in the needed relaxation that fishing brings to many of us. I know that I plan on making more of an effort to get my feet in the sand this year. Our free member fishing contest had 20 entrees for 15 available cash prizes. The member fish pool, $2 entry per species, had 26 entrants. Below are the results of the two contests. Congratulations to the winners. Send your entries for 2008. Get out there and fish. Don’t let the free money slip away. Entry / affidavit forms are in the newsletter and enclosed with your membership renewal. Copy them as much as you need. Remember to submit your entries within 5 days of the catch.

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NJBBA Annual Meeting Election Results – Your New BoD’s for 2008

By Eric Paulson #1665, Nominating Committee Chair

On Sunday February 10, 2008 NJBBA held its annual meeting at the Centre City Fire Company, Mantua, NJ. The meeting was attended by 45 voting members. As part of the annual meeting, election of officers and directors was held. This year there were six (6) officers to be chosen; President, 1st Vice President, 2nd Vice President, Treasurer, Recording Secretary, Membership Secretary and Corresponding Secretary. In addition, there are five (5) Directors slots open. They are: three (3) for a term of three (3) years and two (2) for a term of one (1) year. The slate ran unopposed with two exceptions. There was a run off for 2nd Vice President between Gary Conk and Ron Patten. Gary won the election and Ron took a one year directors slot. The other exception was there was no nominee for Corresponding Secretary. That position remains open.

Below is the new Board of Directors for 2008. Congratulations to all the new and returning Board members.

**Officers**

President: Eric Paulson #1665

1st Vice President: Kurt Renart #1740

2nd Vice President: Gary Conk #1585

Treasurer: Becky Jones #194

Membership Secretary: Terri Gilliland #4077

Recording Secretary: Pete D’Alessio #171

Corresponding Secretary: OPEN

**3yr Directors**

Tom Pinto #232

Doug Taylor #3641

Tom Valentino #556

**2yr Directors**

Bob Conover #337

Sherri McAllister #3928

Al Sutherland #81

**1yr Directors**

Chris Farrell #30

Carole Harris #120

Paul Harris #239

Bill Mackintosh #1090

Ron Patten #88

**Chairman of the Board of Trustees**

Reb Gilliland # 3724
HERE COME DA JUDGE!!  HERE COME DA JUDGE!!

The Governor’s Cup Surf Fishing Tournament committee is looking for judges. Sign-up to judge the tournament. This year it will be held on Sunday, October 5, 2008. Each judge will receive a special issue Governor’s Cup Surf Fishing Tournament ball cap with “JUDGE” embroidered across the back. In addition, a stipend is available to help offset the cost of fuel burned while on the beach judging. Additionally, the IBSP beach pass is not required for judges during the tournament.

Anyone interested please contact me at RBthePirate@verizon.net or 609-685-6403.

Thanks in advance,
Eric Paulson

Courtesy Patrol

Courtesy Patrol #3 at IBSP did a great job in 2007 with 2,880 hours of patrol time to the park and state. I am looking forward to a good 2008 season from all the patrol members. Thanks for last year, we did good.

Thank you,
Paul Harris
Courtesy Patrol Coordinator

VOTE -Make your voice heard- VOTE

Are you happy with the lot of sportsmen/women? Are you happy that you have a registration of saltwater anglers being forced upon you? Are you comfortable that the animal rights groups have the ears of our legislators both in Trenton and Washington, D.C.? Do you support the judges that legislate from the bench and bypass the public in decision making?

Well, you can change that. Register and vote in every election. Be sure all your friends and family register and vote also. Voter registration and all other voter info can be found at www.NJVoterInfo.org. If you say, “my vote doesn’t make any difference”. Well it does. That was proven last year when the sportsmen of NJ banded together to oust Senator Karcher and Assemblyman Panter in Monmouth County. Take the time to “Google” the candidates in your area. Know their positions on the things that are important to you. Know their position on sportsman’s issues and access. A source of info for sportsman’s issues can be found at the New Jersey State Federation of Sportsmen’s Clubs website, www.njsfsc.org, and the New Jersey Outdoor Alliance, www.njoutdooralliance.org. Don’t let apathy win the next election. Get out and vote!!
CAPE HATTERAS UPDATE and PLEA FOR ACTION

Eric Paulson

NJBBA is at a very interesting point in access and political issues. Our access is being threatened on a biblical scale at Cape Hatteras in North Carolina. The deep pockets of the Defenders of Wildlife and the National Audubon Society are trying to essentially close most of Hatteras and Ocracoke Islands to vehicle and pedestrian access. Their lawsuit to close all potential nesting habitat for piping plover and other wildlife, threatened and endangered or not, could possibly spell the end of access at the seashore. There would be very small areas available for access if the DoW and NAS are successful. OBPA, NCBBA, Dare County and Hyde County are interveners in the lawsuit along side the NPS. At the same time negotiated rulemaking is progressing to develop and adopt an ORV plan acceptable to all user groups. On April 16 an agreement (forced) was reached between the parties. A Consent Decree was sent to Judge Boyle of the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of North Carolina for his approval. It maintains limited access, but imposes large buffer zones around nests and limits night time driving during the sea turtle nesting period. Go to www.NCBBA.org or www.OPBA.org to see the maps of buffer zones and the consent decree. Keep checking the NCBBA and OBPA websites for up to date information.

On June 11, 2008, U.S. Sens. Elizabeth Dole and Richard Burr and U.S. Rep. Walter Jones introduced legislation in the Senate and House of Representatives that would reinstate the Interim Management Strategy governing off-road vehicle use on Cape Hatteras National Seashore (CHNS). The reinstatement of the original Interim Management Strategy, issued by the National Park Service (NPS) on June 13, 2007, would set aside current mandates and requirements which were put in place in the wake of a consent decree filed in the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of North Carolina, that prevent off-road vehicle and citizen access to a significant portion of this National Seashore.

These bills, S.3113 and H.R.6233, need our support. The bills need sponsors. Having a Senator or Congressman/woman saying that they support this bill doesn’t mean anything. Your elected official needs to sign on as a co-sponsor. That’s where the rubber meets the road. The rest is just lip service. Write your Senators and Congressmen/women about how you feel on these bills. The best impact is a handwritten letter, next is a signed letter, then emails and faxes. On the following page is a sample letter from the ASA. Feel free to copy it, scan it, re-write it by hand, edit it- whatever you want. Just send it in. If you don’t know who your senators or congressmen/women are they can be found in the phone book or at www.senate.gov or www.house.gov. You can also send an email or print out a copy of this letter from the website at:

http://capwiz.com/keepamericafishing/issues/alert/?alertid=11575146&PROCESS=Take+Action
Sample Letter Congressman/woman in support of bill H.R. 6233
(House of Representatives)

Dear Congress (man/woman) _____________,

As an avid angler on the North Carolina seashore, and your constituent, I am writing to ask that you co-sponsor H.R. 6233. This bill reinstates the Interim Protected Species Management Strategy (IMS) governing off-road vehicle (ORV) use in the Cape Hatteras National Seashore Recreation Area (CHNSRA). This would allow avid fishermen like me reasonable access to the beaches while still providing shorebirds and other species adequate protection.

Recreational fishing is one of the most enjoyable American pastimes, and CHNSRA has some of the best surf fishing locations on the east coast – accessible only by ORV. However, a recent consent decree is prohibiting both ORV and pedestrian access to vast areas of the Seashore, preventing more than just anglers from enjoying this national treasure.

Despite the fact that the IMS was being implemented by the National Park Service (NPS) to protect shorebirds and other wildlife and a negotiated rulemaking committee was convened to developed a long-term management plan for the use of ORVs in CHNSRA to balance the resource needs of the shorebirds and appropriate access for ORVs and pedestrians, members of the environmental community sued the NPS claiming that the IMS was not protective enough. This resulted in the Consent Decree, which went into effect on May 1, 2008. Instead of allowing restricted, yet reasonable access to the beach, the Consent Decree has forced the NPS to implement vast beach closures that have also resulted in cutting off access to the most popular fishing spots, like Bodie Spit, Cape Point, and Hatteras Inlet.

The Cape Hatteras community, lifelong stewards of the CHNSRA, have all but been kicked out of the Seashore they call home. Visitors have cancelled their trips because they can no longer access the most popular portions of the Seashore. The entire economy of this historic beach community, which depends on tourism and ORV access, is now suffering undue economic impacts.

Please support passage of H.R. 6233 so the Cape Hatteras community can regain its voice in the Negotiated Rulemaking process, appropriate access to this national treasure can be preserved for our future enjoyment, and the economy and lifestyle of the entire Outer Banks can be saved. The IMS is a reasonable plan that protects wildlife while still allowing ORV and pedestrian access to all groups that use the beach, including fishermen, kiteboarders, birdwatchers, and families.

Thank you for your consideration,

Your Name
Sample Letter to your Senator in support of bill S.3113 (Senate)

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Your Name
The spring meeting of UMS was held on March 1, 2008 and was hosted by Assateague Mobile Sportfishermen Assoc. (AMSA) at the Wicomico Youth & Civic Center, Salisbury, MD. The NJBBA delegation consisted of Paul & Carole Harris, Chris Farrell, Joe McGowan, Bob DeLeonard and Eric Paulson. There were 26 member groups present.

Reports were lead off by AMSA on the on-going issues to designate about 8,000 acres, about 7.5 miles of beach, of Assateague National Seashore, MD into a Wilderness Area. It would close about half of the seashore to all vehicular traffic, including the NPS. The process is going slowly with the feeling that the NPS doesn’t want two major access issues going on at the same time (Cape Hatteras being the other one). ASMA has donated $50,000 towards the new visitor center. They sponsored the saltwater aquarium display. There was conflict with Nat’l Parks Conservation Assoc. using pictures of AMSA events as justification to restrict ORV’s. Go to www.NPCA.org. The ORV annual fee structure is: $90, 5am to 12 midnight access; $110, 24 hour access, no bull pen privileges; $150, 24 hour access, with bull pen privileges, self contained only.

Cape Cod – No new issues. Bad beach erosion at Nauset. MBBA is continuing with the process to try to gain exemptions to the ESA because the piping plover have recovered in that region.

Cape Hatteras – Negotiated rule making has had its second meeting. Very little progress at that meeting. Topics discussed were speed limits and beach carrying capacity. The next meeting’s topic will be seasonal closures at the villages. The DoW/Audubon’s lawsuit intends to seek injunctions for the 2008 season. That would close all the popular fishing areas, all of Oregon inlet, Cape Point, Hatteras Inlet, the north end of Ocracoke and the south end of Ocracoke. Write to your US senators and congressmen to support the NPS in this fight.

Delaware Mobile Sportfishermen – The Delaware fishing license is a dedicated fund for fisheries, split 80/20, saltwater/freshwater.

NY/LI – saltwater fishing license by the end of 2008.

UMS awarded two (2) scholarships in 2007.

A special award was presented NJBBA’s Bob DeLeonard for his years of dedicated service as Executive Director of UMS.
**NJBBA Website**

NJBBA has recently changed webmasters and the site will be going through some major changes in the near future. We apologize for any delay in updating information but our current webmaster and committee are working on some new ideas and formats that will make the site more "user friendly" and informative. We hope to have it completed very soon. We are always glad to hear from our members with any questions, concerns or ideas.

Thank you for taking the time to keep up with the website! We like to know that members are checking it out! Check back often to see if the new changes have been put up!

**TOYOTA Backs Audubon Society in Closure of Cape Hatteras National Seashore Recreational Area**

Eric Paulson, #1665

As many of you may know on March 26, 2008 Toyota donated $20 million to the National Audubon Society. The donation was to fund “Together Green, a nationwide Audubon program to fund conservation projects, train environmental leaders, and offer volunteer opportunities to significantly benefit the environment.” Now imagine if some one gave you some money to spend on your monthly bills. What would that do? It would free up the money you already had put aside for those bills to do with as you pleased. This is what Toyota did. Now NAS has $20M that they didn’t have before, more money to put into their plan to restrict the public from public access of public land.

The fight down at Cape Hatteras is at critical stage. With $20M more dollars to spend who’s next? Assateague is already being threatened to be turned into a Wilderness area. That means NO human access, by foot or vehicle, including the NPS. Cape Lookout, NC is just starting their ORV ruemaking process. NAS and DoW are on the Neg-Reg committee at Hatteras, but that didn’t stop them from going to court to try to get their way. Will they keep going up and down the coast? Cape Cod, MA? Assateague Island, MD? Padre Island, Texas? When they’re done in the federal courts it’ll be on to the states.

You can read the press release at: http://www.toyota.com/about/news/environment/2008/03/26-1-audubon.html. Of course there was an outcry from outdoorsmen/women and Toyota responded by saying that their donation would be only used for the programs identified, not to be used for any other purpose. Yeah, right. What kind of training do you think the NAS will give the environmental leaders of tomorrow? They’ll teach them the same dogma that they spout now. It’s a self fulfilling mission.

Toyota runs a blog page. The comments on that page run 99+ to 1 against Toyota. That page is at: http://blog.toyota.com/2008/03/toyota-and-the.html#more. Go there. Read the comments. Make your own statements. Remember that this is a moderated blog. That said, be professional. No foul language or threats of violence. They can refuse to post anything that they feel is out of line. To their credit, they are posting the negative comments. Email your local Toyota dealerships. Let them know of your displeasure of the $20M to NAS. In recent years Toyota has made a large dent in Ford, Dodge and GM’s 4x4 business. Is Toyota short sighted enough to fund an organization that may well have an affect on their sales? Toyota can’t pick and choose what they can and can’t be associated with when they donate funds to NAS. If they’re in for the good then they’re also in for the bad. Make you voices heard!
New Jersey Outdoor Alliance
Marty Boa / Eric Paulson #1665

Some of you may remember last fall a grass roots movement started among sportsmen in response to the legislative bills to take the Fish and Game Council from the scientists and sportsmen and have it run by political appointees and animal rights activists. That movement had a name it was New Jersey Outdoor Alliance (NJOA). The NJOA is a PAC, political action committee. The rallying of sportsmen against this bill and its sponsors was something not seen before in New Jersey politics. Sportsmen are usually so fractionated that it’s rare that hunters will back fishermen or trappers will side with archers or fresh water fishermen will support their salt water brethren. This cause brought all of us together. The two sponsors of this bill, where anti-sporting activists Senator Ellen Karcher and Assemblyman Michael Panter of the 12th Legislative District in Monmouth County were soundly defeated. The NJOA-PAC and NJOA-CF remain dedicated to the concept that actual votes are more important than money.

Due to that success, the New Jersey Outdoor Alliance (NJOA) is alive and well and not going away now that the 2007 state legislative elections are over. On the contrary, the highly successful political action committee reaffirmed its mission and formed a council at a meeting held on January 9, 2007 in Freehold Township. That council developed into the NJOA-CF, a non-profit dedicated to conservation.

The NJOA-PAC and the NJOA-CF will continue to identify and actively support legislative initiatives and legislators that support hunting, fishing and trapping in New Jersey. The NJOA and NJOA-CF will also continue to work toward the defeat of anti-sportsman legislation and those legislators who act in opposition to the sporting community. Legislative proposals and the respective sponsoring legislators will be supported or opposed regardless of party affiliation.

While the NJOA-CF is an organization that is separate from the NJOA itself, it will act in concert with the NJOA in order for hunters, anglers and trappers to present an ongoing, united front to the legislature in Trenton.

The NJOA-CF is composed of 15 statewide and county-based outdoor sporting and conservation organizations. Additional council members are expected to be added. NJBBA is represented in the NJOA-CF. The council will advise and inform the NJOA of current legislative and political issues that impact the outdoor sports and those who participate in them.

The NJOA and council remain committed to a grassroots base that incorporates an extensive communications network. Three regional managers and 30 representatives are now in place to advance the organization’s mission with legislators at the district level throughout the state. These representatives will also initiate fund-raising activities and coordinate voter registration campaigns.

NJOA and the council are now reviewing a list of legislative bills that relate to hunting, fishing, trapping and associated conservation issues including youth programs. The bills are being prioritized so that they can be addressed in order of importance. Legislative issues with high priority include but are not limited to:

- A state constitutional amendment to guarantee the right to hunt, fish and trap in New Jersey;
- The use of commercial fishing pots on artificial reefs;
- Clarifying and maintaining the Fish and Game Council’s authority to regulate freshwater fishing, hunting and trapping;
- Establishing and appropriating funds for a Hooked on Fishing-Not on Drugs Program within the Department of Environmental Protection.

Individuals can become members of the NJOA or make donations at: www.NJOutdoorAlliance.org. Please go there and support the cause. As you well know those that want to take away our rights never go away.
On March 29, 2008 NJBBA held its annual banquet at the Buena Tavern in Buena Twp. This was the second year that we held the banquet at the Buena Tavern. In all 39 members attended. Music was provided by their house DJ. A buffet style dinner was presented. The food was very good. Dishes ranged from pasta to sausage and fish to chicken and more. The desert table was great. Door prizes were called by ticket number. I’d like to thank Rip Tide B&T of Brigantine, Absecon Bay Sportsman Center of Absecon and Grand Pop’s Country Store for their contributions. The highlight of the evening was the presentation of awards. Our Membership Secretary, Terri Gilliland was recognized for achieving LIFE member status. In NJBBA Life memberships can’t be bought, but must be earned through service to the association. The Jeff Paul Scholarship was awarded to Caitlyn Conk, daughter of 2nd VP Gary Conk. Congratulations Caitlyn! Seven Sustaining members were recognized with their awards plaque. They are: Christian Varga #1704, Dr. Stuart Palmer #4154, Jeffery Hoffberger #4113, Ed Janowiak #3912, Alexander Condos #4000, Robert Dziergoski #1826, M.D. Johnson #4196. Service award “Star” jackets were given out to five members for service to the association. For the first time “Six” Star jackets were issued to two long time members that keep on volunteering. The “Star” jacket recipients were: 2 STAR ~ Robert Conover #337; 3 STAR~ Becky Jones #194; 5 STAR~ Kurt Renart #1740 and 6 STAR~ Paul Harris #239 and Ron Patten #88. The winners of the fishing contest and pool were announced and the prizes were presented. Finally, the new Board of Directors and officers for 2008 were introduced and their plates given. Thanks to Kurt and Becky for pulling this together.
NJBBA and Bass River State Forest Project at Brigantine

Eric Paulson #1665/ Kurt Renart #1740

On March 30, 2008 fifteen NJBBA members, Bass River Supt. Coritz and Division of F&W biologist Todd Pover met at the North Brigantine Natural Area (NBNA) for a work project. The weather was sunny but cold and windy. The day had three goals. 1) re-string the existing symbolic fencing in Piping Plover nesting areas, 2) do a trash sweep of the beach and 3) to maintain the cross over trail to the back side near the north end. We accomplished two of the three objectives. The symbolic fencing was re-strung at the southern end, in the middle just north of the pilings and around the over wash area at the northern tip. The cross-over trail was given a once over and put in ship shape condition. The beach looked in fairly good condition at the time and no large amounts of trash or debris were removed.

It may sound like we’re helping the “enemy” by putting up symbolic fencing for the Piping Plover. But it is in our own best interest, let me explain. The north end of Brigantine is a Natural Area, not a state park. That being said the Natural Area Management Plan defines the rules to be followed. As the plan relates to threatened or endangered species; If the Natural Area allows human activity and there are threatened or endangered species present then in order for the area to remain open to the public the habitat that most likely would attract the threatened or endangered species must be segregated from the area open to the public. In this case it is symbolic fencing. The string that you see strung between the metal posts up on the beach away from the waterline. If this activity is not done by the first week in April (the exact date escapes me) then the whole Natural Area must be closed to all human access. That means a closure from April through mid-August, perhaps an extra six weeks.

NJBBA tries to maintain a good working relationship and keep an open dialog with DEP F&W and the Bass River State Forest management. In this period of budget cuts volunteers helping the park personnel goes a long way towards helping our cause for just a little effort. F&W works with the user groups in that F&W moves the closure boundaries as the chicks fledge. If no pairs nest, they don't close the whole beach. Many other areas close the whole area regardless of the status of plovers.

It’s interesting to note a comment made was that it’s the fishermen that usually volunteer for work like this, but rarely any animal rights groups. Thank you to all that came out and chipped in!!
New Jersey Beach Buggy “Mascot”

In November 2007 we took our mascot back to Island Beach State Park for the second time. On this trip Bob Lick a one-time Model A owner, driver and past-president of NJBBA came and helped us make a video of the history of the Model “A” beach buggy at IBSP. We drove down the beach from Gilliken’s Road to A7 getting looks from fishermen that never saw a Model “A” on the beach. They asked “is that 4 wheel drive?” When told no, “then how can it go so good on the beach?” Bob drove it like he has never been out of one. We drove the mascot down the beach while George Chase and our friend Pete McLain did the video taping and recorded the history of the beach buggy’s at Island Beach.

Paul Harris

Mascot Trailer

We are coming along good making the trailer for our mascot. I would like to thank everyone that has donated money, time and materials to do this project.

Bill Mackintosh  Tom Pinto  Eric Paulson  Tom Valentino  Pat Leahey
Ed Jones  Pete D’Alessio  Rich Hedenberg  Mark & Valarie Dzindzio

Thank you,
Paul Harris

LOCAL ACCESS NEWS

In March Long Beach Township proposed an ordinance to modify their ORV access rules. One change included extending the seasonal closed period from June 1 to Sept 20 to May 15 to October 1. The other change was to create a buffer of 25 feet from the toe of the dune toward the ocean. In many areas of the township at certain tides that would essentially close the beach. Local businesses, fishing clubs, fishermen and NJBBA sent letters and emails to the township committee. The committee pulled the proposed ordinance pending further investigation. At the committee meeting that was well attended on April 4 the mayor announced that the township wanted to gather the user groups together to determine if the changes were necessary and if so to what extent. Along with local businesses, fishing clubs and fishermen, NJBBA signed on to be part of the solution. Plans have yet to be announced for this group to meet. On June 3, 2008 the township held elections. The township now has a new mayor, Joseph Mancini. The previous mayor, DiAnne Gove is now committee member. We’re all waiting and watching to see what will happen.

In the spring there were reports that the Borough of Stone Harbor was thinking about closing vehicle access to it’s beaches, particularly the point/inlet area. This concern arose after the NJDEP closed Champagne Island due to nesting birds. There was talk of giving the inlet area over to a conservation group that would have made that area a bird sanctuary. All vehicle access would have been banned and serious restrictions placed on pedestrian access. At the May 6, 2008 Borough Council Work Session Councilmember Miraglia stated that the Borough has signed a five (5) year Point Management Agreement with the NJDEP which includes access to the Point for beach vehicles. Time will tell.
The New Jersey Beach Buggy Association
15th Annual
HOOKED ON FISHING NOT ON DRUGS TOURNAMENT
for children ages 16 and under

When:     September 14, 2008
Where:    Island Beach State Park, Seaside Park, NJ
Time:   Registration 8:00-10:00 am at Swimming Area #1

Dear Parent,

Your family is invited to attend our 2008 HOFNOD children’s tournament. Together with family bonding your child will have a chance of winning some great awards and prizes.

Registration is FREE

Here’s how it works:

The contestants are placed in 3 age groups with 1st, 2nd and 3rd place winners in each group.

Parents accompany their children to instructional tables. The contestants then receive a colorful HOFNOD tee shirt, bait and tackle for a fun day of fishing and family bonding.

The tournament fishing will begin at 10:00am and end at 1:30 pm.

Hot dogs and beverages are then served while the judges review the weigh in sheets.

2:30 awards ceremony.

NO CHILD GOES HOME EMPTY HANDED.

The 2007 tournament had sixty five participants with eleven place winners that received over $ 2,000 in awards and prizes.

The NJBBA members will be at the waters edge to assist the participants.
**30th Annual Great Fall Classic**

**SATURDAY OCTOBER 11th & SUNDAY OCTOBER 12th 2008**

**HEADQUARTERS:** First Aid Station on 15th Ave. & the beach in North Wildwood, NJ

**PRE-REGISTER:** Contact our tournament chairman

Eric Paulson  609-685-6403  * RBthePirate@verizon.net
253 F Street, Carneys Point, NJ 08069

**JUDGES:** Will monitor C.B. Ch. 13  All fish measured in accordance with A.S.A.C. rules

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**TEAM / INDIVIDUAL TOURNAMENT:** (ASAC Sanctioned)

Saturday October 11th 2008
Registration will be from 5:30-6:30 am

TEAMS - $50   INDIVIDUALS - $10

1st position 7am-9am * 2nd position 9:30-11:30 * 3rd position 12:00-2:00

Cash Prizes for the 1st, 2nd & 3rd place teams
& the individual with the most fish points.

Prize awarded for the Largest Fish.

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**INDIVIDUALS ONLY TOURNAMENT:** (NOT ASAC Sanctioned)

$10 ENTRY FEE

Begins  5:00 PM Saturday Oct. 11,2008 — Ends Noon Sunday Oct. 12,2008

Registration for the individual tournament will be closed as of 9:00am on Sunday.

Cash Prizes awarded in the Men, Women & Youth divisions.

Prize awarded for Largest Fish.

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**AWARDS  TROPHIES  DOORPRIZES  50-50**

**WILL BEGIN IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING TOURNAMENTS**

For those interested there will be a Calcutta.

AS ALWAYS HOT CHOCOLATE, COFFEE, TEA & SNACKS FOR PARTICIPANTS!

Please come join us for a fun filled weekend of fishing !!!!
# ASAC 2008 Calendar of Events

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## ASAC – Association of Surf Angling Clubs

New Jersey Beach Buggy Association is a member of ASAC. ASAC holds surf fishing tournaments on Saturdays throughout the spring and fall. If you would like to fish any one of these tournaments please call me. NJBBA pays all the entrance fees for the team tournaments and up to $25 for bait. You don’t have to commit to all of the tournaments. Fish only the ones you can. Come by yourself, come with your fishing friends. The team fills up at six people. The only stipulation is that all are NJBBA members. See the schedule of ASAC tournaments in this newsletter. Call ahead, no later than Friday afternoon the day before, to secure your spot on the roster. Any of you that fish as individuals or with a club that is filled up but still want to fish are welcome to fish with NJBBA. Help make ASAC events a success – FISH!!

Paul Harris
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NEW EGYPT GIRL CATCHES PENDING SMALL FRY RECORD WEAKIE

(Reprinted from “The Fisherman”)

Bobbie Heatwol looked a little skeptical when Gary Conk told her the cooler he and Mike McGuire were carrying contained a world record fish. But the Pennsylvania woman jumped back in shock when Conk lifted the lid of the cooler to reveal the fish inside. "You caught that?!" she said to Alexa Natalicio, the 9-year-old from New Egypt who caught the 13.1-pound weakfish at Island Beach State Park. “It looks like it weighs more than you!”

Alexa grinned and nodded. She was among 77 fourth-graders from Dr. Gerald H. Woehr Elementary School in New Egypt who were taken on an all-day environmental education field trip to the state Park on June 12 that includes a little bit of surf fishing. Alexa was fishing a bunker chunk and clam on a Daiwa Apollo two-piece rod paired with a Daiwa AG2600X reel spooled with 20-pound pink Ande monofilament when the weakfish hit - the first fish of the outing.

“lt was heavy”, said Alexa, who said she’d been fishing just once before. “I was pulling it in but it was just fighting back.”

A quick weight check on the beach indicated it was a heavy fish, and though it wasn’t as heavy as first thought, the 13.1 pounds that registered on the scale at Grumpy’s Bait and Tackle in Seaside Park, making it a pending International Game Fish Association girls small fry world record. The existing girls small fry record—which signifies girls10 and under—is 9 pounds, 15 ounces set by Melissa Andrews in 2004 with a fish caught in Great South Bay, NY.

The class trips began seven years ago when Kathy Lopresti, a special education teacher at the school, won a grant whose goal was to get the special-needs students out into real-life situations. Conk, who teaches health and physical education at the school, suggested the fishing trip, and they’ve been doing it ever since, even after the grant ran out. Volunteers from the New Jersey Beach Buggy Association come out to help the kids, Conk said, and sponsors (including Grumpy’s) help with some of the costs, donating bait and other items for the trip. “You know, I’ve missed two hours of fishing because of this”, Conk said to Alexa, joking. She just smiled. “I got a world record”, she said to no one in particular, as it began to sink in.
NJBBA President’s Cup Tournament
November 2, 2008
By Eric Paulson #1665

This year the NJBBA President’s Cup Tournament will be held on Sunday, November 2, 2008. This is a FREE event for all NJBBA members in good standing and is sponsored by your Courtesy Patrol. There are six (6) beaches designated for the tournament. They are: Sandy Hook, Island Beach State Park, LBI / Holgate, Brigantine, Corsons Inlet SP and Wildwood. There are three (3) prizes for each beach, 1st, 2nd and 3rd place, and an overall winner for the state. The prizes are: for 1st place a reel, for 2nd place an NJBBA sweatshirt, for third place an NJBBA hat and tee shirt. The overall winner for the state receives an NJBBA jacket with “President’s Cup Winner” embroidered on it. Prizes will be given out at the annual NJBBA Banquet in 2009. Fish will be scored by length. Eligible fish will be Weakfish, Bluefish, Striped Bass and Kingfish. Each beach will have a captain. Sign-in begins at 6am, fishing starts at 7am and ends at 2pm. Fish entry will end by 3pm. This is a FREE event. Get out there and fish!!

Only beaches that have beach captains will be eligible. Sign-up to be a beach captain and receive a NJBBA ball cap. The beach captains will be announced on the web site, www.NJBBA.org, as they are firmed up. Check the web site during October.
State of New Jersey
17th Annual
GOVERNOR’S SURF
FISHING TOURNAMENT
at
Island Beach State Park
October 5, 2008

TOURNAMENT DAY REGISTRATION OPENS AT 5:00 AM
FISHING STARTS AT 6:30 AM

TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE EARLY ENTRY INCENTIVE!
If postmarked by September 14, 2008 you will:
+ SAVE $5.00 on adult registration fee!
+ BE ELIGIBLE for special prizes offered only to pre-registrants on tournament day!
+ AVOID DELAYS! Your pre-registration will ensure prompt entry to the park.

REGISTRATION FEES:
ADULTS (ages 18 & over) $10.00 ($15.00 on Tournament Day)
CHILDREN (ages 13-17) $5.00
CHILDREN 12 & UNDER: FREE!

Food and beverages will be available for sale from C.T.’s BAR-B-QUE

PICK UP YOUR APPLICATIONS HERE!
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Get on our email alert list. Keep in touch. It’s a simple way to get out information quickly. Event information, access news, issues, concerns and more, can all be communicated in a timely fashion. It’s easy to do. Send an email to Eric Paulson at RBthePirate@verizon.net and you’re in.
IBSP - Beach Clean-ups

On April 26, 2008 NJBBA participated in Clean Ocean Action’s statewide beach cleanup. Volunteers cleaned debris from the beach between Ramp 23 and the jetty. Thanks to all that helped.

On May 3, 2008 NJBBA lead a special clean-up of the bathing beach area. The park asked if we could do a special clean-up before the season opening on Memorial Day weekend. Thanks to those who came out.

NJBBA helps the state parks recycle used fishing line. Based on a need expressed by the IBSP Supt., NJBBA stepped up. Using an existing recycling station as a model, NJBBA built eight (8) recycling stations. Six (6) were donated to IBSP and two (2) to Bass River State Forest for use at the North Brigantine Natural Area.
Disabled Vets Enjoy a Day of Fishing

Eric Paulson #1665

On Saturday, August 16, 2008 a group of veterans from the Vineland Home were hosted to a day of fishing by the NJBBA. In all, nine disabled vets plus their aides enjoyed a beautiful summer Saturday fishing in Stone Harbor, NJ. The location, at 81st and the bay, was ideal. Most of the men are wheel chair bound and would have been unable to navigate on a sand beach. This location in Stone Harbor has a newly renovated walkway and bulkhead. Access was easy and the vets could get right up next to the water. In addition to the easy access, there is a wheel chair accessible gazebo so they could get out of the sun. The Borough of Stone Harbor provided a handicap portapotti. There were a good deal of fish caught. Although most were small sea bass and sea robins, a nice 18” fluke was taken and returned. For lunch the NJBBA provided a picnic of hot dogs, beans, potato, macaroni and bean salads, chips, desserts and cold drinks. No one went away hungry.

It was satisfying to spend time with these men that have served us all in past conflicts from WWII to Korea to Viet Nam. They are all unique and have a story to tell. These men are no newcomers to fishing either. Almost each one of them had their own set up. They get out fishing every so often as a regular Home activity.

At the end of the afternoon each man was given a couple of gifts to take with them. Each received a throw blanket embroidered with “NJBBA thanks our Vets”. Also, each man got a tote bag to hang on the arm of his wheel chair to carry items in.

All in all this was a very satisfying and enjoyable day. We usually host two outings each summer. Our first outing in June was cancelled by the Home due to excessive heat and humidity. Look for our 2009 activities calendar in the new year for the dates scheduled for next summer. Plan on coming out and help make it a success.

I’d like to thank all of our members that came out to help including our own vets Jim Gilke and Bill Macintosh.
2008 Calendar of Events

AUGUST
11 – NJBBA Board Meeting, 6:30pm
16 - Disabled Veteran’s Outing – Stone Harbor, 9am

SEPTEMBER
6 - ASAC - Men’s Open Brigantine
7 - Beach Plum Festival IBSP, 9am
8 – NJBBA Board Meeting, 6:30pm
14 - NJBBA Youth Tournament IBSP, 7am
20 - ASAC - OCFC Ocean City
27 - Hunting & Fishing Day IBSP, 7am
27 - ASAC - LBIFC Harvey Cedars

OCTOBER
4 - ASAC Pennsauken FC – NWW
5 - Gov’s Cup IBSP (Judges 4am)
11 & 12 - NJBBA 30th Great Fall Classic NWW
13 – NJBBA Board Meeting, 6:30pm
18 - ASAC Women’s SFC Sea Isle
25 - ASAC Anglesea FC NWW

NOVEMBER
1 - ASAC Hudson River FC Seaside Park
2 - NJBBA Presidents Cup
8 - ASAC Shaner Seaside Park
10 - NJBBA Board Meeting, 6:30pm

DECEMBER
8 - NJBBA Board Meeting, 6:30pm
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