



Newsletter January 2010

January Meeting on the 21st

The January meeting will be Thursday,
January 21st at 7:30 P.M. Come
on down to clubhouse for a warm fire and

some interesting conversation. The
highlight of the meeting will be the club
officer nominations for 2010.

Membership Renewal 2010

The board of directors has decided to
keep the 2010 dues at \$125 for regular and
\$75 for junior members. Due to some of
the computer issues described below no
invoices will be mailed this year. The club

is a great bargain in these tough times.
We urge you to renew early in the year.
You can mail your check to the address at
the top of the page.

Elections for 2010

It's time for the annual elections for club
officers and directors. All the officers and
two board members are up for election.
The process starts with a nominating
committee that is appointed by the
president. Jon has appointed Ray
Capobianco, Bill Hagar and Bob
Timmerman as the committee. At the

January meeting they will announce their
nominations for all offices. Other
nominations may be made by members as
long as seven members sign the
nomination and it is submitted to the
secretary at least 21 days before the
February meeting (by January 28th). The
election will be held on February 18th.

Web Site and Email Woes

The club web site has been unavailable for
a while because it is in transition to a new
internet provider. We hope it will be back
up soon. This also affected emails to any
of the troutpond.com email addresses.
We apologize for any inconvenience this
may have caused.

In an unrelated problem there have been
issues with distributing the newsletters by
email recently. Email recipients did not
receive the November and December
newsletters. These back newsletters will
be available on the web site once it is back
up.

New House

There isn't much news on the proposed new house across the pond from the clubhouse. The project is still under consideration by the Needham Conservation Commission. The next hearing on the subject is January 28th. The

club committee lead by Doug Donaldson has been keeping track of the process. In December the committee drafted a letter expressing our concerns with the project, which was submitted to the commission.

New Angler Registry for 2010

The federal law that requires individuals fishing for migratory saltwater fish to register with the government became effective January 1st, 2010. If you fish for migratory species in saltwater, which includes striped bass and bluefish (including in state waters, not just waters under federal jurisdiction), you are required to register with the National Marine Fisheries Service. For more information on this federal program go to https://www.countmyfish.noaa.gov/faq_registry.html

It's easy and free to register for this year. You can use a web site or by telephone.

To register on the web go to:

https://www.countmyfish.noaa.gov/faq_registry.html#2

To register by telephone call (888) MRIP-411 seven days-a-week between the hours of 4:00 am and 12:00 am (EST).

For 2011 the Commonwealth plans to have a saltwater fishing permit program in place which will cost each angler \$10.

This state program will replace the federal registry program. For more information on this see the Massachusetts Division of Marine Fisheries web site:

http://www.mass.gov/dfwel/dmf/recreationalfishing/rec_license.htm

Fishing Report

We're just dreaming of spring

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