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CLUB/STATE DUES

Great job and thanks to all of you that managed to get your club dues paid in a timely manner. If you didn't happen to get a chance to join the State Federation through Charlie, you can do so by going to the "Fed" website at www.nybassfed.com

CHANGE IS GOOD

Well, it didn't take long to make a change to our schedule. Don't bother showing up on Saturday for the pike tournament, we'll be going out on Sunday instead. We also may have a shot of going out earlier at Oneida Lake, so don't get comfortable with the idea that you may be able to sleep in that weekend. Other than the Pike Tournament, all dates should be good. Keep an eye out for the "Rev dates" to ensure you have a current schedule.

A Message From the "Prez"

Between canceling the January meeting and living in a deep freeze I almost forgot I was President of the Albany Area Bassmasters. Taking the month off may not have been a good idea.

I hope all of you have seen the Tournament Schedule planned for you for the coming season and are happy with it. Our new Vice President, Jimmy Underhill, will tell you about a couple of minor adjustments and you can subject Jim to any hostilities you feel about the schedule.

Our 13-term Treasurer, Paul Pflieger, will let us know what our finances look like as we head into the new year.

Our re-elected Secretary, Al Maher, will be dutifully recording all of our discussions, so when Mike Richard, Bobby Simek and Anthony Curcurito, Jr. are celebrating the Clubs 50th anniversary they can make fun of us.

I'm going to be looking for volunteers to Chair a number of committees including: Membership, Safety and Conservation. I certainly invite those who chaired these committees last year to volunteer again.

Tim Blodgett from Saratoga Tackle will be talking to you at this meeting as well.

We have also been invited to conduct a Casting Kids Contest by Dick's Sporting Goods at Crossgates Mall. I think we need to seriously consider this opportunity.

It's been a long winter already and I sincerely look forward to seeing everyone at the February meeting.

The problem with the gene-pool is that there is no lifeguard!

ALBANY AREA BASSMASTER'S 2004 TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

(Rev. 1 Feb_04)

<i>Sunday, May 2nd</i>	Partners Pike Tournament	Saratoga Lake, State launch site 6AM - 2PM
Saturday, May 22nd	Kid's Tournament	Saratoga Lake, State launch site 7AM - 1PM
Saturday & Sunday, June 12th & 13th	POINTS	Rouses Pt., Lake Champlain 5:30AM - 1:30PM
Saturday, June 26th	POINTS	Great Sacandaga Lk. Sunset Bay 5:30AM - 1:30PM
Saturday, July 17th	Husband/Wife	Cossayuna Lake, State launch site 6AM - 1PM
Saturday & Sunday, July 31st & August 1st	POINTS	Oneida Lk., Oneida Shores Park 6:30AM - 2:30PM
Saturday, August 14th	POINTS	Saratoga Lake, State launch site 5:30AM - 1:30PM
Saturday & Sunday, September 25th & 26th	POINTS	Ticonderoga*, Lake Champlain 6AM - 2PM
	*(Port Henry if Ti ramp is unavailable)	
Saturday, October 16th	POINTS	Schroon Lake, State Launch 7AM - 3PM
Saturday, October 23rd	Pick-your-Partner	Mohawk River, Schoharie Crossing 7AM - 3PM

Rouses Pt
 The Anchorage Motel (518) 297-4211

Oneida Lake
 Belair Motel (315) 699-5991
 Town & Country (315) 546-7127

Ticonderoga/Port Henry
 Circle Court (518) 585-7660
 Stonehouse (518) 585-7394
 Super 8 (518) 585-2617
 Family Fun Cabins (518) 546-7127

Redneck's Ode to a Valentine

Kudzu is green. My Dog's name is Blue.
And I'm so danged lucky to have a sweet thang like you.

Yore hair is like cornsilk, A-flappin' in the breeze.
Softer than Blue's And without all them fleas.

You move like the bass which excite me in May.
You ain't got no scales But I luv you anyway.

Yo're as graceful as okra jist a-dancin' in the pan.
Yore as fragrant as Mountain Dew Right out of the can.

You have all yore teeth For which I am proud.
I hold my head high When we's in a crowd.

On special occasions, When you shave yore armpits,
Well I'm in hawg heaven. I'm plumb out of my wits.

And speakin' of wits, You got plenty fer shore.
'Cuz you are my woman. I can't ask fer more.

Like a good roll of Duct Tape Yo're there for yore man
To patch up life's troubles And stick 'em in the can.

Yo're as strong as a four-wheeler Racin' through the mud.
Yet fragile as that singer named Naomi Judd.

Yo're as cute as a Junebug A-buzzin' overhead.
You ain't mean like no far ant On which I oft tread.

Cut from the best pattern Like a flannel shirt of plaid,
You sparked up my life Like my Rattletrap Shad.

When you hold me real tight Like a padded gunrack,
My life is complete. There ain't nothin' I lack.

Yore complexion's perfection Like the best vinyl sidin',
Despite all the years, Yore age, it keeps hidin'.

And when you get old Like a '57 Chevy,
I won't put you on blocks and let grass grow up heavy.

Me 'n' you's like a Moon Pie with a cold RC drank.
We go together Like a skunk goes with stank.

Some men, they buy chocolate For Valentine's Day.
They git it at Wal-Mart. It's romantic that way.

Some men, they git roses On that special day
From a collar at Food World. "That's impressive," I say.

Some men buy fine diamonds From a flea market booth.
"A diamond's forever," They explain, suave and couth.

But for this feller, honey, These will not do.
For you are too special, You old sweet thang, you.

I got you a gift without taste nor odor.
Better than diamonds, it's a new trollin' motor.

Meeting Reminder...

The next meeting of the Albany Area Bassmasters will be **Friday, February 6th** at the Watervliet K of C hall at 8:00 PM sharp.

Place
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