

# Albany Area Bass Times

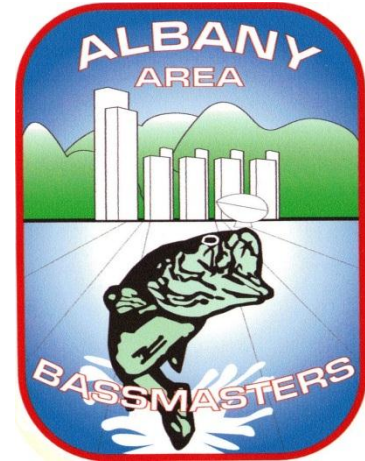
## MESSAGE FROM THE PREZ

Whew!-our Vice-President reminded me Saturday that we are now halfway through our season-summer seems to be going very fast! I hope that all members are getting out on the water as much as they can while we can enjoy it.

Our next Meeting is this Friday at 7:30. We will be doing the partner draw for Saratoga Lake and discussing the upcoming He/She tournament. Please let us know if you are fishing Saratoga and will not be attending this meeting.

We have had a couple of tournaments since our last newsletter. First of all I would like to congratulate **Al Dickinson** on his second win of the year with a 14.29 lb. bag of fish at **Schroon Lake**. It is an accomplishment to win even one tournament a year in this club and Al has already done it twice! We will all be looking forward to his presentation at the next meeting on how he won those two tournaments-Rouses Pt. and Schroon. Congratulations also to Gene Lavigne who finished second at Schroon with a weight of 13.65lbs. Although the fishing there was somewhat difficult with clear water and some heavy boat traffic, the results overall were pretty good. The first and second lunkers were 4.13 and 3.98 lbs. We did get off to a sketchy start with Joe's boat being broken down, but both fisherman were transferred to other boats quickly and Frank's decision to idle out through the fog to the open lake proved to be a great one when we saw that the lake was clear and safe to navigate. I had the pleasure of fishing with Steve B., new member, and I can tell you that he is a fast learner and a very enthusiastic angler! I heard that George Liebach and Terry Fleming have a good fish story to tell. It was good to see Brady back and I was pleased with the attendance at this event.

It was a shame that Joe had boat problems, but then again, like Charlie's problem at Rouses Point, sometimes you just should not let other family members do any work on your boat!-more to come on that point later.



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Mr. Rossetti will have standings done for us at our meeting and we will pass them out and go over them at that time. This year is certainly shaping up to be interesting.

I hope that by the time we meet that Rick will have his new replacement boat and a brand-new life vest. Our season is pretty short and you don't want to lose a good portion of it due to boat problems. We should all wish Rick good luck with his new rig.

We had a great partner's tournament on **Ticonderoga**. This is the only opportunity for some of our boaters to actually fish together in a bass tournament so it certainly has a different aura. In spite of all of the pressure on the lake some very good 6-fish limits were caught. The border state team of **Underhill and Underhill** prevailed with a limit of 25.20 lbs., while Al & George finished second with 19.667 and Charlie and Joe finished third with 17.90 lbs. beating Mike and myself by .41 of a pound. No benefit of the doubt there! Thanks to Charlie and Sandy for running this tournament for us. Champlain once again showed itself to be a great fishery in spite of great pressure.

Our club Team will be leaving for Ogdensburg later this month so we should wish them well. It is always a bit of an adventure to fish the St. Lawrence River, but the fishing there can be fantastic. I am hoping that Charlie remembers to bring hats for the team to the meeting and he might even owe a hat to our newest member. I heard that Ted was already working on some food ideas for us. I sure hope that the younger team members give us seniors a break at this event. I am not even sure that I will be able to fish for four days in a row!

By now, most of you know that local angler Mike Marini won the FLW Rayovac tournament out of Plattsburgh on Lake Champlain. That is quite an accomplishment for a local angler and he went up against a good number of well-known pros to get that win. On the last day of the tournament his 16 year old co-angler also clinched the win on the co-angler side. The waters around Ticonderoga yielded many 18 to 19 lb. limits during that tournament. This week is the BASS Open on Lake Champlain, again out of Plattsburgh. There will be quite a few Elite anglers fishing this in order to get classic qualification.

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If you have any issues or topics to discuss at the next meeting please feel free to bring them forward. My phone has been quiet. I can't tell whether things are going along good or if nobody cares!

See You all Friday at 7:30 PM.

Your President

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## MEETING MINUTES

### Treasurers Report: \$4695.78

- Expenses: Club team shirts

### Tournament Committee:

- Aug 9 - Saratoga Lake
- Aug 23 -Saratoga Lake - He/She

### Membership:

- "Triple Steve" – Voted in as member.

Welcome to the club!

### Conservation:

- None

Safety: None

### State Report:

- 2015 Schedule released.
- Club Team – Aug 14-17<sup>th</sup>

## Tournament and Committee Officers

### President

Paul Pflieger

### Vice President

Frank Rossetti

### Treasurer

Al Maher

### Secretary

Felix Ortiz

### Weighmaster

Charlie Curcurito

### Timekeeper

Joe Curcurito

### Measurer

Jim Underhill

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## Old Business:

- None

## New Business:

- None.

## Fish Talk

### Al Maher

Winner: Mohawk River,  
Alcathy's Launch.

Terrible conditions. Muddy  
waters.

Went SMB fishing with zero  
luck early.

Saw where Charlie and Bob  
Richards were and they were  
catching.

Explored new waters. Found  
a pattern by the  
waterchestnuts. Huge area  
and pretty deep. Caught fish  
on Frogs and Beavers mostly.

They were not taking the bait  
fully so we missed a lot of  
fish.

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## NEXT MEETING:

Friday August 1st, 2014

American Legion Melvin Road Post

7:30 PM

### Calendar

July 11

Next Meeting

May 10

Lake Champlain

(Ticonderoga) - Pike

June 14, 15

Lake Champlain (Rouses

Point)

June 28

Mohawk River - Al Cathys

July 13 - Lake Champlain

(Ticonderoga) - Partners

July 26 - Schroon Lake

**Aug 9 - Saratoga Lake**

**Aug 23 - Saratoga Lake -**

**He/She**

Sept 13, 14 - Lake Champlain

(Ticonderoga)

Oct 25 - Mohawk River -

West - (Schoharie Creek)