

Minutes of Trustees' Meeting
August 9, 2017
Rella's Tavern, Brielle, NJ

President Michael Benti called the meeting to order. Officers in attendance were Past President Ralph Munsie, Vice President Jimmy Carton, Treasurer Butch Kross and Secretary Christian Guthrie. Trustees in attendance were Jack Novak, Mike Polaski, Bill Ruckert, John Tiano and Ken Warchal.

Ken provided the fisheries update; Sea Bass will be open to 15 fish per person for the months of November and December. There was a Sand-mining meeting on 7/26 with the NJDEP. Commercial and recreational interests attended the meeting and primary discussion revolved around what is being looked into as potential Sand-mining on Manasquan Ridge. Sand-mining on Area "B" off Ortley Beach which includes the lump inside the Axel Carlson is underway.

The club has received an application for new membership from Bryan Dwyer who fishes on his boat, "Slabjack". The trustees are in the process of vetting the applicant and if you care to make a comment, please contact one of the officers or trustees. This is your Club and your membership. Your opinions are important and will be carefully considered.

The Annual Fluke Tournament and Awards Party were a great success. We had nearly 50 boats fish the tournament, John Collins took first place while Joe Harriman and Mike Cuccia took second and third places respectively. The Pig Roast on Sunday afternoon to conclude the tournament was also very well attended and it looks like we will be doing it again for next year! Thanks to Paul Faist, Steve Clavelle, Joe Puntasecca, Bob Nelson (former member), Andy Tuohy, Don Larr and Pickle for all the help with the event and spending the entire day cooking an amazing meal and preparing such a great event!

Jimmy Carton provided a summary on the War at the Shore and congratulations to the Manasquan River Marlin & Tuna Club for taking top club honors in this year's event. Our burgee will remain on display on top for the next year down in the Beach Haven Marlin & Tuna Club's clubhouse. Again, this was

another great event for the club and we are looking forward to continuing this tradition and making it a success again next year. Jimmy also reported back that we have been receiving great press on the event as Editor Jim Freda included a fantastic write-up following the event in the Coast Star.

The Offshore Open is right around the corner and we are in the home stretch. I'm sure you have all seen banners throughout the area and hope you can fish the tournament and participate! The Bucket Party will be held on Tuesday 8/22 at Jim Carton's house at 6:00 PM. We remain in need of help for this event and if you are free on Tuesday night please feel free to give Jim a call at 732-829-5567 and come over to help. The Offshore Open Captain's meeting is also coming up very quickly, and Jim continued to reiterate that we could use help during the event as well. This is the club's largest and most labor intensive event of the year and if you are free to help man a table or set up on Friday 8/25 it would be greatly appreciated.

Billy Ruckert gave an update on the Mates program and was pleased to announce that the 1st Annual Mates Manasquan River Fluke Tournament was a success. Thanks to the Mates for setting this up and Chip Smith for helping to guide the tournament.

There being no further business, the trustees wish you well in the fishing season ahead.

M.R.M.T.C.**TREASURER'S REPORT**

August 8, 2017

PNC Checking Account	\$	83,760	
PNC Money Market	\$	36,719	
Less: Earmarked Funds (listed below)	\$	(43,025)	
Net Operating Funds			\$ 77,455

M.R.M.T.C. Artificial Reef Fund:	\$	23,837
George Burlew Scholarship Fund	\$	9,160
M.R.M.T.C. Offshore Open Account:	\$	19,222

** Funds below are earmarked in PNC Acct for future distribution:*

Monthlies:

* 2016 Monthlies Balance	13,550	
* 2016 Monthlies Payouts	(12,730)	
2016 Monthlies transferred to Burlew	(820)	
		\$ (0)

2017 Monthly Tournament Entries (43@ \$200)	8,800	
2017 Mako Tournament Entries (13@ \$100)	1,300	
2017 June Striper Super Monthly (23@ \$50)	1,150	
2017 July Tuna Super Monthly (16@ \$100)	1,600	
2017 Aug Fluke Super Monthly (21@ \$50)	1,050	
2017 Offshore Open Monthly (13@ \$150)	1,950	
2017 Monthlies Expenses/Payouts	-	
* 2017 Monthlies		\$ 15,850

Fishery Issues Fund:

* 2016 Fishery Issues Fund	11,117	
* 2017 Fishery Issues Fund Activity	(1,950)	
Fishery Issues Fund Balance		\$ 9,167

Mates Program

*2016 Jr Achievement & Mates Program	17,333	
*2017 Jr Achievement & Mates Prog Activity	(3,129)	
Mates Prog Balance		\$ 14,204

Club Tournaments

* 2016 Club Tournaments	3,258	
* 2017 Club Tournaments Activity	3,381	
Club Tournaments Balance		\$ 6,639

Ladies and Juniors Tournament

*2016 Ladies and Juniors Balance	7,015	
*2017 Ladies and Juniors Activity	(10,325)	
Ladies and Juniors Balance		\$ (3,310)

Catch-a-Dream Foundation

*2016 Catch-a-Dream Foundation	9,475	
*2017 Catch-a-Dream Activity	(9,000)	
Catch-a-Dream Balance		\$ 475

Total Earmarked Funds**\$ 43,025****Membership Status**

Paid Members to date (for 2017):	218
New members for 2017:	7
Life Members:	6
Comp Members:	3
Members in good standing:	234