

***Minutes of Trustees' Meeting***  
***November 8, 2017***  
***Rella's Tavern, Brielle, NJ***

President Michael Benti called the meeting to order. Officers in attendance were Past President Ralph Munsie, Treasurer Butch Kross and Secretary Christian Guthrie. Trustees in attendance were Mike Polaski, Ken Warchal, Jack Godwin, Dan Purdy, JP Dalik and Billy Ruckert.

The club has received an application for new membership from Dr. Dan Burzon who fishes on his boat, "Teddi B". 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.

Bill Ruckert gave an update from the membership committee and will continue working to evolve the new member process and guidelines. More information to come from the membership committee as we head into 2018. Please note that your dues renewals notices for 2018 will be arriving at your home shortly!

Ken provided information on the fisheries issues front and the main topic currently at hand revolves around the future of the Menhaden quota for the Mid-Atlantic States. Omega protein is lobbying for a 20% increase in quota or an additional 40,000 metric tons bringing the quota from 200,000 to 240,000 metric tons. This remains a highly debated topic and will continue to keep an eye on its progress. The Officers and Trustees would like to thank Ken for his years of service on the board of the MRMTC and all that he has helped accomplish on behalf of the club. He has been a strong supporter of fisheries issues and most recently a driving force in the continuation of growing our artificial reefs. As Ken's term has come to an end please join us in giving him a big thanks for all that he has done!

Planning for this year's Christmas Party which will be held on Saturday December 2, at the Manasquan River Golf Club is in full swing! If you have not gotten your RSVP in yet please do so IMMEDIATELY! The deadline to RSVP has been extended through 11/25. If anyone would like to donate items for the live and silent auctions they will greatly appreciated. Reach out to Butch Kross as he is

in the process of coordinating donations and auction items for the event. We hope to see everyone at this year's Christmas Party as it will definitely be one to remember!

Dan Purdy provided the scholarship update and was excited to propose four recipients for a total award of \$5,250. The proposed winners are as follows:

Jessica Valenti –	Rutgers
Meghan Henderson –	Stony Brook
Lauren Kirchner -	FAU
Christopher Murray -	UConn

Bill Ruckert gave an update for the mates program and that their winter project for this year will be a rod building class. There will be seventeen mates returning from last year's program and they will be able to learn the process of building a rod from start to finish. Billy also announced that Rick Popovitch has been generous enough to offer his support and donate the rod building components for all of the mates to the club. A big thanks to Rick for his support of the club and the mates program! Billy is also looking into scheduling a safe boating class. More to come as dates and details become solidified.

As 2017 comes to a close, there will be a vote held at the Christmas Party for the 2018 slate of Officers & Trustees. Please see proposed slate below:

Michael Benti – President  
Ralph Munsie – Past President  
Jim Carton – Vice President  
Butch Kross – Treasurer  
Christian Guthrie – Secretary  
Dan Purdy – Trustee  
JP Dalik – Trustee  
Jack Novak – Trustee  
Mike Polaski – Trustee  
Bill Ruckert – Trustee  
Jack Godwin – Trustee  
Chip Smith – Trustee  
Tom Trageser – Trustee

There being no further business, the meeting was dismissed.

**M.R.M.T.C.**  
**TREASURER'S REPORT**  
November 7, 2017

PNC Checking Account	\$ 71,908	
PNC Money Market	\$ 36,722	
Less: Earmarked Funds (listed below)	\$ (37,865)	
Net Operating Funds		<b>\$ 70,764</b>

M.R.M.T.C. Artificial Reef Fund:	<b>\$ 23,842</b>
George Burlew Scholarship Fund	<b>\$ 2,660</b>
M.R.M.T.C. Offshore Open Account:	<b>\$ 39,897</b>

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

<b>Monthlies:</b>		
* 2016 Monthlies Balance	13,550	
* 2016 Monthlies Payouts	(12,730)	
2016 Monthlies transferred to Burlew	(820)	
		<b>\$ (0)</b>
2017 Monthly Tournament Entries (45@ \$200)	9,000	
2017 Mako Tournament Entries (14@ \$100)	1,400	
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 (14@ \$150)	2,550	
2017 Monthlies Expenses/Payouts		
* 2017 Monthlies		<b>\$ 16,750</b>
<b>Fishery Issues Fund:</b>		
* 2016 Fishery Issues Fund	11,117	
* 2017 Fishery Issues Fund Activity	(1,950)	
Fishery Issues Fund Balance		<b>\$ 9,167</b>
<b>Mates Program</b>		
*2016 Jr Achievement & Mates Program	17,333	
*2017 Jr Achievement & Mates Prog Activity	(5,904)	
Mates Prog Balance		<b>\$ 11,429</b>
<b>Club Tournaments</b>		
* 2016 Club Tournaments	3,258	
* 2017 Club Tournaments Activity	171	
Club Tournaments Balance		<b>\$ 3,429</b>
<b>Ladies and Juniors Tournament</b>		
*2016 Ladies and Juniors Balance	7,015	
*2017 Ladies and Juniors Activity	(10,400)	
Ladies and Juniors Balance		<b>\$ (3,385)</b>
<b>Catch-a-Dream Foundation</b>		
*2016 Catch-a-Dream Foundation	9,475	
*2017 Catch-a-Dream Activity	(9,000)	
Catch-a-Dream Balance		<b>\$ 475</b>
<b>Total Earmarked Funds</b>		<b>\$ 37,865</b>

**Membership Status**

Paid Members to date (for 2017):	218
New members for 2017:	8
Life Members:	6
Comp Members:	3
Members in good standing:	235