

## History Committee



# 10 Years Ago...

**Gisele Golembeski**  
Chairperson



*Here is part of what the JUNE, 1999 issue of the RISAA newsletter looked like*

### Monthly meeting location to change

It has been apparent in the past few months that the RISAA has outgrown the meeting room so graciously provided to us by the Rhode Island Yacht Club. Our March and April meetings had filled the hall to capacity, and some members grumbled about having to walk 1/2 mile because there was not enough parking for the 90 - 100 cars that arrive with our meetings.

Our Board of Directors has gone to each meeting wondering what we would do if hundreds of our members all decided to show up at the same time! Our membership is still growing - at the rate of 15-25 new members per month - and we came to the realization that we could not continue this growth and still remain at the RIYC facilities.

We quickly instituted a search for another facility that could accommodate a larger crowd, and have settled upon the Coventry-West Greenwich Elks. It is with regret that we lose the view of Narragansett Bay during our meetings, and the camaraderie that we have enjoyed with officials and members of the RIYC each month, but we really have no choice.....

### Committee Report ...

## FUND-RAISING COMMITTEE

**Bill Alsfeld, Chairman**



Our June 1st meeting of the Fund-Raising Committee has been rescheduled to later in the month. As of the newsletter deadline, a new date had not been selected, but all committee members will be notified. The agenda will be the big fall raffle.

### Committee Report ...



## LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

**Mike Lanni, Chairman**



Both Steve Medeiros and I attended the May meeting of the Rhode Island Marine Fisheries Council (RIMFC). The beginning of the meeting consisted of a public hearing for the Council to hear testimony regarding proposed changes to regulations for scup and striped bass.

The scup regulations required changes to reflect revised quota given to Rhode Island by the Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission (ASMFC) requiring the reduction of commercial landings to bring Rhode Island in compliance with the quota, and to change the wording to reflect percentages rather than current poundage.....

## TRI-STATE TOURNAMENT COMMITTEE

by **Don Smith, Chairman**



### RISAA TEAM SEEKS ANGLERS TRI-STATE TOURNAMENT FOR 1999 SET TO BEGIN

The RISAA has been invited to participate in the 1999 Tri-State Tournament which has been held annually since 1965.

This is a shore fishing (surf and fly fishing) catch and release event that consists of three legs:

**June 4 to 6 at Cape Cod in West Yarmouth**

**Sept. 10 to 12 at Old Orchard Beach, ME**

**Oct. 22 to 24 at Westerly, RI**

The team will be made up of six anglers and the same anglers do not have to fish all 3 legs. You can fish the legs that you are available for. After fishing on Saturday a cookout and raffle is held. On Sunday after fishing ends winners are announced and awards are given out. It's a great way to fish new areas, make new friends and learn techniques that work for other anglers. Many people bring their family and make it a vacation weekend.

If interested contact Don Smith, Tri-State Tournament.....

### Committee Report ...



## TOURNAMENTS COMMITTEE

**Dave Fewster, Chairman**



Congratulations to the winners of the Spring Tautog Tournament. From the reports I received fishing was spotty. One day was great and the next the fish had lockjaw.

On Sunday I caught my fish at Conimicut Light on a clam worm. The broken-up quahogs for chum definitely helped!

If there is no closed season on tautog next year, we might push the tourney up a week.

The next tournament is June 11-20 Striped Bass Tourney open to all members. There's not enough room in this article to write in detail about them, but I talked with **Harley Benton** about how best to win a spring striper tournament. To sum it up he recommended using eels from the second week in May to the end of June in the usual striper places at night should result in great rewards.....