

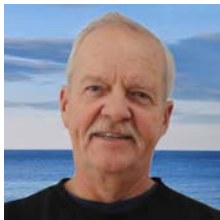


# Meet Your 2021 Officers and Directors



**Stephen Medeiros: President**

One of the founding members, Steve is serving a 24th term as President. He is also the Executive Director. Steve is the Newsletter Editor and chairs the Saltwater Fishing Show. He is also director of the annual Youth Fishing Camp, plus he serves on 14 other committees.



**Capt. Richard Hittinger: 1st Vice President**

Rich is now in his 14th year as an officer. He is chairman of the RISAA Legislative and Artificial Reefs Committee. He also serves on the Political Action Committee and Youth Fishing Camp Committee. He co-chairs RISAA's bi-annual Recreational Fishing Symposiums. Rich represents RISAA on several state fisheries and environmental groups. He previously served on the R.I. Marine Fisheries Council for eight years.



**Capt. David Monti: 2nd Vice President**

Dave is now serving his 9th term as an officer. Dave is Vice Chairman of the R.I. Marine Fisheries Council and Vice Chair of RISAA's Legislative Committee. He is co-chair the Recreational Fishing Symposium, works on Youth Fishing Camp and is a licensed charter captain. He is a fish advocate providing anglers, captains/guides and fishing association leaders with conservation training and advocacy. He is an American Saltwater Guides Association Board member and a fishing writer for the Providence Journal and 11 other newspapers, and also the Marine Fish Conservation Network blog often writing about fish policy, climate change and ocean wind.



**Susan Lema: Secretary**

A member for the past 16 years, Susan is serving her second term as RISAA Secretary. She is also a member of the Charter Trips and Legislative Committees. Considered a top angler, Susan has presented seminars at RISAA meetings and at the New England Saltwater Fishing Show.



**Peter O'Biso: Treasurer**

Peter is serving his 10th year on the Board and 8th year as Treasurer. A very active 17-year RISAA member, he serves on the Charter Trips, By-laws, Fly-Fishing, Legislative, Saltwater Fishing Show, Surfcasters and Youth Fishing Camp Committees.



**Capt. David Michel: Sergeant-At-Arms**

A 12-year RISAA member, this is David's third term as an officer. He has been a member of the Scholarship Committee for the past 12 years, and has been its Chairman for the past 8 years. He also serves on the Education and Legislative Committee.



**Gary Johnson: Board Member**

This is Gary's 4th term on the Board. He has been a RISAA member for 19 years, and chairs of the Merchandise Committee. In addition he serves on the Legislative, Saltwater Fishing Show and Youth Fishing Camp Committees.



**Robert Murray: Board Member**

A RISAA member for 16 years, this is Bob's 8th term on the Board. He is administrator of RISAA's Tag & Release program, and is an active member of the Legislative Committee.



**Richard Reich: Board Member**

Richard has been a member for 18 years. He previously served on the Board in 2017 and 2018. He is Vice Chair of the Surfcasters Committee and also serves on the Legislative and Youth Fishing Camp Committees.



**Roger Tellier: Board Member**

This is Roger's 10th term on the Board. A RISAA member for 21 years, he serves on the Legislative and Youth Fishing Camp Committees and is a very active member helping on nearly every club event.



**Capt. Greg Vespe: Board Member**

A nine-year member, this is Greg's second term serving on the Board. He serves on the Education and Legislative Committees. Considered one of RI's top anglers, Greg has presented seminars for RISAA and other local clubs, and multiple times at the New England Saltwater Fishing Show.



**Dawn Filiatreault Wood: Board Member**

Dawn has been a RISAA member for 13 years, and is now serving her third year on the Board. Dawn is the Vice Chair of the Education Committee and also serves on the Charter Trips, Legislative, Saltwater License Plates, Saltwater Fishing Show and Welcome committees.