

## CHARTER TRIPS (from page 7)

The Group Leader is also responsible for getting the story and pictures back to Steve Medeiros for publication in the newsletter within two weeks of the trip. That does not mean that he has to write it alone or take the pictures – this should be a team effort!

### What are the responsibilities of the winners?

Have fun, catch fish! Communication is key let the group leader know if there are any issues, if you can't make the trip let the Alternate Coordinator (Gary Perschau, as explained in the instructions issued to you upon winning) and the Group Leader know 7 days prior to sailing or as soon as possible in emergencies.

### What kinds of charters are offered?

Virtually every type of fish available in the local area is targeted. Every kind of angling; bottom fishing, trolling, top water, fly, and kayak is offered. The areas fished range from the Providence to River to Coxes Ledge and even Stellwagen Bank.

Please take note of what is being offered so if you have a physical limitation for kayaks or a strong preference for only one type of fishing you may not want to participate in that raffle or a date that is not convenient.

Remember all fishing charters are going to be weather permitting, they will all sail but the dates may vary a bit. Many of the charter captains present their fishing strategies at monthly seminars and at the Fishing Show.

### How many members won trips last year?

We had 63 winners on 18 Charter Trips; check out any RISAA Newsletter to see all the happy anglers and their catch. And we expect similar numbers in 2018.

### How does a member Charter Captain participate in the program?

We are always looking for new charter captains to participate in the program, so if you are interested please contact any member of the Charter Committee; Hal Gibson (Chair), Brian Beltrami (Vice Chair), Capt. Ed Cook (Secretary), Gisele Golembeski, Susan Lema, Peter O'Biso, Gary Perschau, Dawn Wood and Tom Wood at a monthly meeting. You can also contact me at; 401-524-9035, or [gibson@risaa.org](mailto:gibson@risaa.org).

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As of March 1, 2018 Rhode Island has joined other states across the country in providing fishing and hunting licenses online, and now at one web site.

Licenses, permits, tags and stamps will all be available to purchase online at [DEM.RI.GOV/HUNTFISH](http://DEM.RI.GOV/HUNTFISH).

This new service expands the current online offerings of fishing licenses to include hunting licenses, permits and tags, as well as trout and state waterfowl stamps.

According to **Catherine Sparks**, DEM Assistant Director for Natural Resources, "DEM has worked diligently to develop and test this new system and we are excited to see it roll out."

All proceeds generated by the sale of hunting and fishing licenses and permits support Rhode Island Fish and Wildlife Conservation Programs. These monies are a critical source of funding and are leveraged to match Federal Wildlife and Sport Fish Restoration Program dollars.

"Hunters and anglers are our most important conservation partners," said Sparks.

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