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October 8th, 2007
Martins Restaurant

Meeting Agenda:

Members stood for the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Meeting was called to order by President "Ike" Eisenhower at 1910.

Absent officers were the Treasurer, Past President, and Co-Events Coordinator.

Attendance: 24

Treasurer's report: No Treasurer's report due to his absence.

- 1. One new member joined at tonight's meeting. Dues of \$17.50*
- 2. The raffle brought in \$68.00*

Old Business

1. President "Ike" appealed for members to submit more entries for the fish awards competition. He noted again that it was based on length of the fish, not the weight. Lucian reiterated the need for award submissions, and noted that he would send the entry forms out by email. Forms also available in the Wireline.

New Business

1. Mark Pulliam announced the upcoming Rockfish Tournament on 16-17 November, sponsored by the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers and Cobb's Marina. The entry fee is \$25/angler, with all proceeds going to the United Way charity. Guaranteed prizes of \$250, 150 and 100 are donated, as is all the food (Cobb's). Mark noted that there were 25 boats last year and they are looking for a good increase this year. Entry forms available at Cobb's Marina.

Fishing Reports

- 1. Cathy Hodson reported on catching seven different species on October 4th, including flounder, puppy drum, black sea bass, striped bass, oyster toad, and bluefish. She was with Jim Hambley at the 3rd Island.*
- 2. Lucian reported on the great experience of participating in Wish-A-Fish. He told about the family that fished with him, and urged members to participate in this event in the future – by bringing a boat, by crewing on a boat, or as shore support. Lucian also complimented Bob Cherry on his fantastic support efforts for this event – from setting up tables to whatever else was needed to make it work!*
- 3. Bob Cherry thanked Doug Johnson for volunteering his time at Wish-A-Fish.*
- 4. Brian Hodson reported on their black-bellied Rosefish caught in 802-feet of water on a seamount southeast of the Norfolk Canyon on October 7th.*
- 5. Dr. Ike reported on a nice catch of Blueline Tilefish and Black Sea Bass in the Norfolk Canyon on October 7th, onboard "Seaduction" with Mike Avery.*

Presentation:

Lou Rajnys was our guest speaker this evening, and the subject was fishing for Striped Bass. Lou addressed a range of methods, including early-evening topwater with plugs, live baiting with spot or croaker, trolling with Mojoes and big bunker spoons on wireline rigs, and using umbrella rigs. Some of

Lou's best tips included: being aggressive with lure placement close to the rocks; using short, 80# leader to resist biteoffs by bluefish; using circle hooks; clipping a small weight to the snap shackle above the leader when live-baiting; hooking live bait through the back instead of the lower and upper jaw; using shorter leaders and longer droppers with the spoons; and using Tony Aceda "Pet" spoons. Perhaps the best tip of all was Lou's description of the right time for evening topwater – the time between having to take off your sunglasses until the time when you couldn't see the rocks well enough to cast within six inches of them! And did I mention that Lou really likes CIRCLE hooks.... Lou's presentation was interesting, informative, humorous, and enjoyed by everyone. Many thanks to Lou Rajnys for his great presentation.

Welcome to our new member, Jim Holloman, who joined at tonight's meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 2100.

Minutes of the meeting prepared by Brian Hodson, Secretary.