



# BASS TAPS

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## President's Line

*By Steve Socko*

Just came back from the New York State Six Man team event held on Owasco Lake in upstate New York. Fishing wise; well let's just say that Owasco is the middle lake of New York's Finger Lakes. The weather was great Wednesday thru Saturday, but come Sunday it was like fishing in a monsoon, everything became wet and I mean everything. But not one member of our team quit and we all fished to the last minute. What a great bunch of anglers we had this year, everyone helping each other, sharing ideas and all and all having a great time. I wish every member at least once in their tenure in the Long Island Bassmasters be afforded the chance to experience this event.

On the home front, Mitch Bernstein is leading the Angler of the Year category with 127 points. Mitch has three 1st place finishes this year and may even add one or two more by the end of the season. Jay Stiklickas is second, followed by George Kowalinski and myself tied for third. There are more anglers mathematically still in the hunt for first, but if I were a betting man, my money would be on Mitch, which would be nice that this long time member finally receives his just deserving achievement.

Sadly, the most important news for August wasn't the 6mt event, or the tournament season, but the unfortunate passing of Past-President and LIB Life-member Pat McNamara. His close friend, Eric Fieldstadt provided a very beautiful and moving dedication to Pat at our August General meeting. Past and present members all joined in to tell enjoyable stories they had with Pat and although this was a solemn occasion we all were able to remember fond memories and shared a few laughs reminiscing about our Past President. I once again on behalf of the Long Island Bassmasters wish our sincerest condolences to Pat's family and hope that by being at this meeting it lessened some of the pain for Pat's brother, sister, and two daughters who were present.

No one wanted to stop talking about Pat and the time flew by, but eventually we did, and were able to get to a few Club duties. One topic which was tabled and will be discussed at our September meeting was a possible By-Law change, which reads as follows;

The Board has proposed the following recommendation to the General membership as a possible By-law change:

With regard to Article II – Membership; Section II – Requirements for Membership (b) in part, "Chapter dues will be prorated effective September at 60% for the remainder of the year"

The Board suggests Chapter dues will be prorated effective by the June General meeting (second Thursday of the month) at 50% for the remainder of the year.

So please make every effort in making the September General meeting and have your vote count.

Thank you all for attending the August meeting, it was great to see so many past and present members, it made for what eventually became an enjoyable night on an otherwise sad occurrence. Regards, Steve

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## New Dues Payment Schedule Available

Starting at our August meeting, any member who would like to make partial payments toward there 2011 Dues may do so. You may pay by cash or by check and I will keep a record of all payments. We do ask however, that your total dues, including national and state federation dues, be made in full by our December meeting: This will avoid any penalties for late payments. This change is being made to help those of us who may have a hard time paying dues at the same time that many of us are doing holiday shopping. Please e-mail me if you have questions JOHNARCURI@aol.com

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### ..... Jim's Jigs Summer Clearance Sale .....

There are way to many items to list...here are some items I am offering at slashed prices ... while supply last...

Call for an appointment to shop...631-727-1264

Jim's Jigs \$1.00 - \$2.00 each

Jim's Double Tail Hula Grubs \$3.00 12 pk

Jim's Do-Da Tubes \$2.00 12 pk

Jim's Buzz Frogs \$2.50 6 pk

Yamamoto ....4" & 5" Senko's....\$ 4.80 pk

Gambler Paddle Tail Worms \$2.65 pk

Gambler Toads \$2.65 pk

All new in the box....

Arbogast Mud Bugs... \$10.00

Bandit Crankbaits \$3.00

Lucky Craft 100 Pointer DD \$10.00

X-Rap Treble Tail Hooks \$2.00

Reduced 35%(only use a few times)

Vendetta 7'6" H Rod (new \$89.95).... \$58.00

Vendetta 7'0" MH Rod (new \$79.95).. \$51.00

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### FOR SALE....\$300.00

CANOE, ROGUE RIVER 14', 42" Beam, (with two paddles)

Contact: Ernie 369-8830