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## John Strada Stepping Down as DRFA President; Club Members Needed To Fill Important Roles

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As is true in so many areas of life, all good things must come to an end. That is exactly what happened for the DRFA when club president John Strada announced at the May meeting that he had to relinquish his leadership role in order to pursue job opportunities in Florida.

John's departure after eight years at the helm of the group leaves the organization with lots of roles to be filled. But the list of jobs to be done also gives the club guidelines and serves to remind members of all the ways John helped to build up the membership and the vitality of the club.

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*(See page two for the list of tasks that need to be picked up by various club members to keep the club moving forward.)*

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John presided over the growth of the club from less than 100 members to nearly 400 members. In addition to his regular duties as president, he and his wife Diane have handled a number of additional responsibilities ranging from newsletter distribution to membership secretary, to 50-50 raffle coordinator, to helping

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*John Strada (shown on right above presenting an award to a recent Big Cat Shootout winner) has played a large role in the recent success of the DRFA – from fund raising events like the catfish tournaments to new member recruitment at the outdoor shows and seminars.*

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institute and manage the DRFA "Big Cat Shootout" catfish tournaments. It is largely through John's efforts that the club has cleared more than \$4,000 over the past few years on these tournaments. John's behind-the-scenes work on that tournament extends far beyond Tournament Day. His creation of the registration forms, boat passes, promotional fliers and banners, plus his procurement of door prizes from major fishing tackle manufacturers are what has made this tournament so popular and so well praised by the competitors.

But beyond those "official" duties, Strada played an even more important role as an ambassador for the club. He fished with numerous club members. He pitched in to help with registration

and weighmaster duties for numerous club tournaments, and he was constantly selling the merits of the Delaware River Fishermen's Association to anyone who expressed an interest in fishing the river – whether that was at the January outdoors show or at the boat ramp where John was loading his boat on the trailer after another day on the water. And John was never afraid to share his knowledge of the river, even going so far as to direct members to specific hot spots that he had found on the river.

Now, the club needs a number of different members to assume both those "official" and "unofficial"

### Important Dates

**Saturday June 22:**

Club catfish tournament at Frankford Arsenal Ramp. Check-in before 7:00 am start. Weigh-in at 1:00 pm sharp. See the May newsletter for the flier containing map and rules.

**Thursday June 27:**

7:00 pm. Monthly meeting. Back upstairs meeting room of The Sportsmen's Center, Route 130 North, Bordentown, NJ. This is an important meeting as we discuss how to fill the important jobs created by John Strada's relocation.

**Saturday July 13:**

Club largemouth tournament at Frankford Arsenal Ramp. Special summer hours! Check-in before 6:00 am start. Weigh-in at 12:00 noon sharp.

roles. Fortunately, no one has to do it all alone. Belos, is the list of functions and skills that are needed:

**President** – Run meetings, coordinate volunteers, be central point of contact for club business

**Membership Secretary** – Must be able to maintain membership roster in Microsoft Access database, and print out listings for member directory and tournament weigh-in sheets.

**Treasurer** – Must coordinate signature authorization with John and Commerce Bank in June. Must keep books, enter payments, and write checks throughout the year.

Other needs include:

Getting from John the list of contacts for all purposes (*Sportsmen's Center meeting coordination, Big Cat sponsors, sponsoring businesses, Associate Member Club contacts, hat/T-shirt orders, patches, stickers, trophies, newsletter printing, tournament permits for Pennsy, etc.*)

Sell 50-50 tickets at meetings.

Monthly newsletter printing, labeling, addressing, mailing.

Coordinate Fort Washington Outdoor Show.

Obtain, store, and deliver tournament trophies.

Pick up and maintain scale, tables, and baskets for tournaments.

Order, store, and sell hats and T-shirts. (*Bud Faux has already volunteered.*)

Big Cat Shootout (*June and September*)  
- Door Prizes and T-shirt sponsors (*June only*)

- Promotional Fliers
- Administrative/Registration
- Tub/Chute/Bags/Tables

In addition, anyone who can take over the Web site or newsletter or help Pete Antoniewicz with them, will free up more of Pete's time to help in other areas.

Over the next few months, we will have to have nominations and elections for the three club officer roles. Other jobs can be filled on a voluntary basis. All parties interested in helping are encouraged to come to the June 22 catfish tournament and the June 27 club meeting at the Sportsmen's Center to discuss how we can divide these responsibilities.

### President's Message

This is my 90th and final president's message. As some of you may have heard, I will be relocating to Florida on July 1st in order to pursue a business opportunity. I am very proud of the things we have accomplished together in the last seven plus years, and I hope things continue to improve.

My sincere thanks go out to all those who helped out at The Big Cat Shootout. The tournament ran like clockwork and the club earned over \$1,800 from the event.

I hope to see many of you at the June meeting. It's been lots of fun and I wish you all good fishing.

Regards, John Strada

### Minutes Of The May Meeting

The May 30, 2002 meeting of the DRFA was called to order by Club Secretary Pete Antoniewicz at 7:20

pm due to club president John Strada's delay in traffic. 28 members were in attendance. Vice President Mike Hall read the minutes.

**Treasurer's Report:** The treasury balance was at \$9,144 – helped in large part by the 60 registrations collected for the Big Cat Shootout.

**Environmental:** Club members discussed recent fishing conditions in the river. They also discussed the apparent parking conflicts in the area of the Trenton Fishermen's Wharf near the KatManDu nightclub, where parking spaces have been lost to construction.

**Old Business:** Mike Hall volunteered to help Ron Soto and Tom Zerumski with the registration and weigh-in for the June 22 tournament. Volunteers for the Big Cat Shootout were reminded that boat checks would begin at 5:30 am and weigh-ins at 12:00 noon.

John Strada presented the trophies and winner's checks for the first two DRFA tournaments. Anthony Scholl won \$125 for the shad tournament. Bill Marshall won \$125 for taking first in the 2002 Dave Bryant Memorial Smallmouth Tournament, while Bob Bonczyk earned \$75 for second and Steve Schumacher took the \$50 third prize.

**New Business:** Members were reminded to respond to the initial DRFA E-mail notification if they had not already done so. Any member who has not received a recent E-mail from the new DRFA E-mail notification account <DRFA\_TheRiverNews@hotmail.com> should contact Pete Antoniewicz with their up-to-date E-mail address.

John Strada announced his need to step down as club president due to his impending move to Florida for business purposes. He asked members if he should include fliers for the September Big Cat Shootout II in the captain's bags for the June tournament. Club members agreed, saying that they would fill the responsibilities for that tournament in John's absence.

The group then discussed a list of responsibilities that would need to be assumed by other club members. These include the role of president, treasurer, and membership secretary, as well as a number of other routine tasks. (*See the complete list in this month's newsletter and think about how you might help.*) Members will determine how to divide these responsibilities at the upcoming meeting.

Pete Antoniewicz said that he would post the list of tasks on the Web site and in an early June edition of *The River News* so that as many members as possible would be aware of the situation before the June 22 catfish tournament.

Bud Faux volunteered to handle the T-shirt and hat sales. Dave Wermuth asked about what would be involved in handling the newsletter. The meeting adjourned at 8:29 p.m.

### **E-MAIL ALERT!!!** **Have You Received And Responded To Your DRFA E-mail Address Check?**

If you have not already responded to <DRFA\_TheRiverNews@hotmail.com> to confirm your receipt of our recent E-mail test, please double-check your E-mail files and respond today.

We tried to use the E-mail addresses included on membership application forms to test a way to notify club members when they could download their newsletters from the DRFA Web site. Between typographical errors, trouble reading some handwritten E-mail addresses, or a recent change in your E-mail address, we might have missed you.

If you have not been contacted by us from the new DRFA E-mail address listed above, please drop us a line at that address and let us know the E-mail address where you'd like us to reach you.

We'll notify you when we post the most recent newsletter on the Web site, make last-minute tournament changes, or when we have special meeting announcements such as voting or a special guest speaker.

You can also use that new address <DRFA\_TheRiverNews@hotmail.com> to submit fishing reports and other information to both the Web site and *The River News*.

### **Angler of the Year Top Ten Standings**

*Here are the leaders in the race for the 2002 Dave Bryant Angler of the Year award. Standings are current as of the May 18th smallmouth bass tournament.*

| #   | Name             | Points |
|-----|------------------|--------|
| 1.  | Anthony Scholl   | 100    |
| 2.  | William Marshall | 100    |
| 3.  | Bob Bonczyk      | 99     |
| 4.  | Steve Schumacher | 98     |
| 5.  | Phil Bakanowsky  | 97     |
| 6.  | Bill Etzl        | 96     |
| 7.  | Curt Kirby       | 95     |
| 8.  | Mike Geppart     | 94     |
| 9.  | Scott Ferral     | 93     |
| 10. | (none)           | --     |

### **Remaining 2002 Tournament Schedule**

Mark your calendar with this list of DRFA club tournaments scheduled for the remainder of this season. *The Big Cat Shootout tournament shown in italics is open to the public and require a special entry fee for club members and non-members alike.* All other events are open to registered DRFA members only – with no additional entry fee. Several dates include an alternative site in case the event needs to be moved, due to low water-conditions or other logistical problems. ***Be sure to check your newsletters, the DRFA Web site, or the new Tournament Hotline (215-945-3635) in the weeks before each tournament to confirm any changes.***

| <u>Day</u>  | <u>Date</u>     | <u>Event</u>      | <u>Hours</u>       | <u>Location</u>                           |
|-------------|-----------------|-------------------|--------------------|---|
| Sat.        | June 22         | Catfish           | 7 am - 1 pm        | Frankford Arsenal                         |
| Sat.        | July 13         | Largemouth        | 6 am - 12 noon     | Frankford Arsenal                         |
| Sun.        | Aug. 11         | Catfish           | 6 am - 12 noon     | West Deptford<br>(alt. Frankford Arsenal) |
| Sun.        | Sept. 8         | Largemouth        | 7 am - 1 pm        | Frankford Arsenal<br>(alt. West Deptford) |
| <i>Sat.</i> | <i>Sept. 14</i> | <i>Big Cat II</i> | <i>7 am - 3 pm</i> | <i>Lightning Jack's Marina</i>            |
| Sun.        | Sept. 29        | Smallmouth        | 7 am - 1 pm        | Byram                                     |
| Sun.        | Oct. 13         | Catfish           | 7 am - 1 pm        | Frankford Arsenal                         |

## Club Member Directory Available

DRFA members who would like to have a directory of phone numbers and E-mail addresses so they can contact other club members for fishing and club-related activities can now obtain one. This will now be more important than ever as we recruit new volunteers to help with the many responsibilities being handed over to new members as a result of John Strada's move to Florida. You can receive a PDF file via E-mail to print at your own convenience. Contact Pete Antoniewicz to request your copy via E-mail, by mail, or at club meetings and tournaments.

## Fishing Reports

*The following reports were gathered on the weekend of June 14 - 16th.*

### Tidal River:

The following fishing report was posted by Bill Brinkman on Thursday, June 13th on the Web site of **Brinkman's Bait and Tackle** in Northeast Philly (215-632-0674) <<http://members.aol.com/wormpeople/>> A more detailed report is available on that site.

"Well the weather is dealing us another fine week with the temperature all week into the 90's and for the weekend cool, cloudy and rain. But I guess it could be worse. The Delaware River has come back to a fishable level and color as of yesterday. I had a few guys go up to the Trenton area for stripers and have a pretty good day of it. One guy was up early to catch the herring only to find them not biting at all. He was able to pick up a few white perch for bait but did nothing on the perch. He did have a real good day on stripers with surface lures and sassy shads. He was using the Storm Big Bug in chrome and also

white and chartreuse and green sassy shad with a 1/2 oz. head. Boating 17 fish, 4 being over 30 inches and the rest from 30 inches down to 18 inches. Still not a bad day. The other customer was up late in the afternoon and was able to catch about 25 herring in a couple of hours and then went up the river for stripers. This customer and his wife ended the day with 19 stripers and one really big catfish. The catfish was over 14 pounds and hit a dead herring on a drift. The stripers ranged from 20 to 36 inches. Now he tried using surface lures and Bomber crankbaits with only one hit and no fish. I hope I will be able to give you my report when I get up there again next week. That is if the river is still fishable.

"Now the lower river around here has been really good for smaller stripers and catfish. The perch are kind of everywhere also but they are small and great bait stealers. The stripers have been hitting bloodworms, herring, clams, cut eels and chicken livers. They have also picked a lot of fish up on white Sassy Shads, white Twister Tails, silver Rattle Traps and Bomber Model A's. Most of the fish seem to be holding around the bridges with some fish still being picked up around the creeks. The fish are in anywhere from 5 to 25 feet of water. I would say most of the fish are still in under 15 feet of water. Now the catfish have not changed at all with baits ranging from herring, nightcrawlers, chicken livers, shrimp, cut eels, clams, bloodworms and beef chunks. The bass fishing in the coves has slowed a bit but they are still picking up fish here and there. I think with the warmer water temperatures a lot of the largemouth bass are starting to move into the main river. And if they have not done so by now the next few weeks they will.

"With the upper river's level coming down and clearing up they

had a few good days on smallies this week. Most of the guys got out on Tuesday and Wednesday and had good catches on bass. I talked to several guys that were up and they all told me the same thing that most of the fish they caught were on grubs and fire tiger crankbaits. Most all took minnows up with them and did catch fish but all were on the small side. But again all fished artificial and picked up all the bigger fish on the grubs and crankbaits. The Zoom 5-inch Fat Albert grub has been the hot grub on the river the past few years. Watermelon seed, white, chartreuse and pumpkinseed have been the better colors. And Bomber, Rapala and Berkley crankbaits were the crankbaits that were used. Some of the catches were from the drift from Frenchtown to Byram. One boat landed 55 fish from 10 to 16 inches. Another customer just stayed along the wall at Byram and boated 22 smallies and 8 catfish. The smallies were from 12 to 15 inches and the catfish were up to 5 pounds. Another customer waded the river around the Boy Scout camp and had a good day landing 18 smallies, 15 stripers and 5 catfish. All his fish were on artificials. So if we don't get any really hard rains this should get better each week from now on.

"Another really good spot this past week was the Susquehanna River. This river did come up a bit but never really changed in the color. With the higher water the fishermen were able to get around the river better and had better catches with numbers and size. I had two different groups go out and both did the drift trip from Clemson Island to the 322 bridge. One boat landed over 100 smallies up to 19 inches. Most of his fish were taken on minnows and leeches but he also had a great day with grubs and tubes. The other couple were out yesterday and boated 95 smallies, two fish over 5 pounds, 4 catfish all over 6 pounds

and 2 walleye that were just legal. Again most of his fish were taken on minnows but he also did well with the grubs, tubes, spinners and spinner baits. One other customer was out with one of the guides around the Harrisburg area and he is now hooked on this river. They only were out 6 hours with himself boating 50 smallies, all on artificials. They used mostly watermelon tubes with a 1/8 oz. head. He landed 6 fish 18 inches, 2 fish 19 inches and one 21 inch fish. He also had the pictures to back up his story. So again if no major rains come this is going to be my pick of the week to head to. That is if you have the time.

“Another good spot this week was up at Hulmeville falls on the Neshimany creek. This is right off Hulmeville Road right off street road at Fisher's restaurant. Here they had a good week on carp, catfish, bass and crappies. The carp have been hitting corn meal and corn the best, bass on minnows and worms, crappies on small minnows and jigs and the catfish on pretty much anything.

“Well that is all. Good luck and don't forget your rain gear this weekend. Regards, Bill”

**Trenton/Yardley/Lambertville:**

When asked for a fishing report, Dan at **HL Bait & Tackle** in Morrisville, Pennsylvania (215-295-1400) laughingly replied, “The river is high and muddy, and nobody is catching anything.” While Dan has had no fish weighed in at his shop recently, he says that fishing success has reflected the weather's effect on river conditions. “When we get a little clearing, I've had reports of keeper-size stripers being caught in the Yardley area on pencil poppers,” he told us. “Also, there have been a number of smaller stripers in the 20” range being taken from lower in the tidal river.”

Ron Ernst, owner of **Ron's Trigger and Reel** in Ewing, New Jersey (609-695-2818), agrees that the high muddy waters have put a damper on fishing activity, and says that he has had no herring reports for the past week-and-a-half and that those fish are most likely gone for the year. He cites the evidence that stripers are now starting to hit plugs and white perch more readily, in the absence of their favorite springtime forage. Ron says that 4” to 5” Bombers, Yo-Zuris, Rebels and Rattle Traps (*especially in the higher muddier waters*) have been working.

Striper fishermen have been successful in the Yardley/Scudder's Falls area, even in some of the recently rougher water conditions, when they explore the edges of the shoreline. He adds that some smallies are also being taken on some of those large plugs by steeper fishermen.

**Easton/Phillipsburg Area:**

Bill Pierce of **Bill's Bait and Tackle** (908-859-5729)

Phillipsburg, NJ

<<http://community-2.webtv.net/BILLSBAIT/FISHINGREPO RT/>> says that over the most recent weekend, smallmouth fishing had started to rebound nicely in the P'burg area of the river, at least with the smaller size fish. As of Saturday, anglers were doing well at the mouth of the Lehigh River, including one fly rod angler fishing a bug. Bill also says that cut herring has been a popular bait for stripers and catfish, with several stripers in the 9-10 lb. range being weighed in recently.

**Belvidere Area:**

The weather and poor water conditions have cut short the shad season for guide **Gene Neiderlander** (908-475-5493). His last trip was on Memorial Day weekend. He's only hoping that water conditions settle down

enough for the start of his guided smallmouth trips starting on June 22. With a little luck in the weather and in finding a new source of supply for hellgrammites, Gene hopes to have a better report for us in July.

**Lackawaxen Area:**

Dimitri at **The Angler's Roost**

(570-685-2010) in Lackawaxen, PA also reports that the series of recent rains have left the river higher and dirtier than normal, hurting the shad fishing season there. Water temps are currently in the mid to upper 60s. “When we get good weather, the water settles down a little and the shad are aggressive and strong,” he notes, “but it seems that as soon as that happens, we get another load of rain.”

Trout fishing in the Lackawaxen River has also been tough due to high waters from constant releases out of Lake Wallenpaupack. Dimitri says that the best fishing has been in the smaller cleaner feeder streams when the larger rivers are running high.

## From A to Z

by Pete Antoniewicz

I've never been big on showy, emotional “good-byes” – at the airport, at family get-togethers, funerals, or even leaving home for a business trip. To me, the separation is either just a temporary thing, or it's something over which I have no control. When the latter is the case, I prefer to focus on the positive experiences, the joyful memories, the good times shared.

Over the past five years that I have been a member of this club, John Strada has given me a lot of positives to remember.

When I first attended meetings hoping for a few “words of wisdom” on how to fish the river, John was the first person to speak

up – not in vague generalities, but in specifics, naming lures, locations, and conditions. Then, as I became involved in club activities such as the newsletter and the Web site, I got to experience, first-hand, how much work he also did behind the scenes. *(And how hard it was to refuse him when he asked for help with the club that meant so much to him.)*

I've fished days with him when we had a ton of fun catching one fish after another. And I've had fun with him when we fished all day long and didn't get so much as a nibble.

John made it all so easy because there was never any question of power or ego, just of wanting to share the pleasure of fishing the river that he enjoyed so much. I've seen him do the same in so many ways with other club members and with fishermen we'd meet along the way, at the boat ramp, on the water, or at one the the new member registration opportunities.

Those jobs are collectively our jobs now – to trade stories at meetings, to share some good-natured ribbing *(and a little self-deprecating humor)* at the tournaments, to spread the word about the DRFA at seminars, shows, and launching ramps, to take a kid fishing, and to help our fellow club members to keep this club fun and educational, with a healthy level of friendly competition and reward.

I say that if we all do them to the best of our abilities, that's the best "Thank you" we could give to John who has made a \$10 or \$15 annual DRFA membership the "best bargain in fishing."

After talking with a number of club members over the past few weeks, I'd like to echo their sentiments by saying, "Thank you, John. Thank you for everything."

**July Tide Predictions, NOAA National Ocean Service**

Readings taken at Municipal Pier 11, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania  
All listings are prevailing time (Daylight Savings Time)

| Day   | Time     | Ht. | Time     | Ht. | Time     | Ht. | Time     | Ht. |
|-------|----------|-----|----------|-----|----------|-----|----------|-----|
| 1 M   | 143am L  | 1.2 | 716am H  | 6.2 | 217pm L  | 0.8 | 758pm H  | 5.8 |
| 2 Tu  | 233am L  | 1.1 | 812am H  | 6.0 | 303pm L  | 0.7 | 853pm H  | 5.9 |
| 3 W   | 327am L  | 1.1 | 909am H  | 5.9 | 350pm L  | 0.7 | 946pm H  | 6.0 |
| 4 Th  | 424am L  | 1.0 | 1005am H | 5.8 | 440pm L  | 0.7 | 1038pm H | 6.2 |
| 5 F   | 521am L  | 0.8 | 1058am H | 5.7 | 532pm L  | 0.6 | 1127pm H | 6.4 |
| 6 Sa  | 617am L  | 0.7 | 1149am H | 5.6 | 623pm L  | 0.6 |          |     |
| 7 Su  | 1213am H | 6.6 | 711am L  | 0.5 | 1238pm H | 5.6 | 714pm L  | 0.6 |
| 8 M   | 1257am H | 6.8 | 803am L  | 0.4 | 123pm H  | 5.6 | 804pm L  | 0.5 |
| 9 Tu  | 139am H  | 6.9 | 853am L  | 0.3 | 207pm H  | 5.6 | 853pm L  | 0.5 |
| 10 W  | 219am H  | 7.1 | 942am L  | 0.3 | 249pm H  | 5.7 | 942pm L  | 0.5 |
| 11 Th | 300am H  | 7.2 | 1029am L | 0.3 | 332pm H  | 5.8 | 1031pm L | 0.5 |
| 12 F  | 342am H  | 7.2 | 1116am L | 0.2 | 417pm H  | 5.9 | 1121pm L | 0.5 |
| 13 Sa | 427am H  | 7.2 | 1203pm L | 0.2 | 505pm H  | 6.0 |          |     |
| 14 Su | 1212am L | 0.6 | 516am H  | 7.1 | 1250pm L | 0.2 | 558pm H  | 6.2 |
| 15 M  | 105am L  | 0.6 | 611am H  | 6.9 | 139pm L  | 0.2 | 656pm H  | 6.3 |
| 16 Tu | 201am L  | 0.6 | 711am H  | 6.6 | 230pm L  | 0.2 | 756pm H  | 6.5 |
| 17 W  | 259am L  | 0.6 | 813am H  | 6.4 | 323pm L  | 0.2 | 856pm H  | 6.7 |
| 18 Th | 359am L  | 0.6 | 916am H  | 6.2 | 417pm L  | 0.2 | 955pm H  | 6.9 |
| 19 F  | 459am L  | 0.5 | 1016am H | 6.1 | 513pm L  | 0.2 | 1051pm H | 7.0 |
| 20 Sa | 558am L  | 0.4 | 1114am H | 6.0 | 608pm L  | 0.3 | 1144pm H | 7.2 |
| 21 Su | 656am L  | 0.3 | 1208pm H | 6.0 | 702pm L  | 0.3 |          |     |
| 22 M  | 1235am H | 7.3 | 750am L  | 0.3 | 100pm H  | 6.0 | 754pm L  | 0.5 |
| 23 Tu | 123am H  | 7.3 | 841am L  | 0.4 | 149pm H  | 6.0 | 843pm L  | 0.6 |
| 24 W  | 209am H  | 7.3 | 928am L  | 0.5 | 237pm H  | 6.0 | 931pm L  | 0.8 |
| 25 Th | 254am H  | 7.2 | 1014am L | 0.6 | 323pm H  | 6.0 | 1016pm L | 0.9 |
| 26 F  | 337am H  | 7.1 | 1056am L | 0.7 | 408pm H  | 6.0 | 1059pm L | 1.0 |
| 27 Sa | 420am H  | 6.9 | 1137am L | 0.8 | 453pm H  | 6.0 | 1142pm L | 1.1 |
| 28 Su | 504am H  | 6.7 | 1217pm L | 0.8 | 539pm H  | 5.9 |          |     |
| 29 M  | 1226am L | 1.1 | 550am H  | 6.4 | 1257pm L | 0.8 | 626pm H  | 5.9 |
| 30 Tu | 112am L  | 1.1 | 639am H  | 6.1 | 137pm L  | 0.7 | 716pm H  | 5.8 |
| 31 W  | 200am L  | 1.0 | 732am H  | 5.8 | 220pm L  | 0.7 | 808pm H  | 5.8 |

| Station                                       | Time Differential |       | Height Differential |       |
|---|-------------------|-------|---------------------|-------|
|   | High              | Low   | High                | Low   |
| Marcus Hook, Pa.                              | -1 29             | -1 16 | *0.90               | *0.90 |
| Bridgeport, Raccoon Creek, N.J.               | -1 13             | -0 55 | *0.87               | *0.87 |
| Darby Creek, Pennsylvania                     |                   |       |                     |       |
| Tincum National Wildlife Refuge               | -0 26             | +0 18 | *0.71               | *0.71 |
| Paulsboro, Mantua Creek, N.J.                 | -0 25             | -0 28 | *0.90               | *0.90 |
| Woodbury Creek, N.J.                          | -0 19             | -0 23 | *0.93               | *0.93 |
| Schuylkill River, Pennsylvania                |                   |       |                     |       |
| Market Street Bridge                          | -0 26             | -0 09 | *0.97               | *0.97 |
| Westville, Rt 47 bridge, Big Timber Creek, NJ | 0 04              | -0 06 | *0.94               | *0.94 |
| PHILADELPHIA, Municipal Pier 11               | +0 00             | +0 00 | +0.00               | +0.00 |
| Bridesburg, Philadelphia, Pa.                 | +0 11             | +0 13 | *1.04               | *1.04 |
| Palmyra, Pennsauken Cr., Rt 73 bridge, N.J.   | +0 49             | +0 57 | *0.84               | *0.84 |
| Pompeston Creek, N.J.                         | +0 19             | +0 37 | *1.02               | *1.02 |
| Bridgeboro, Rancocas Creek, N.J.              | +1 09             | +1 09 | *1.03               | *1.03 |
| Cornwells Heights, Pa.                        | +0 40             | +0 49 | *1.14               | *1.14 |
| Burlington, N.J.                              | +0 41             | +0 58 | *1.17               | *1.17 |
| Egely, Pa.                                    | +1 02             | +1 19 | *1.24               | *1.24 |
| Fieldsboro, N.J.                              | +1 01             | +1 30 | *1.26               | *1.16 |
| Trenton, N.J.                                 | +1 12             | +1 48 | *1.30               | *1.05 |

Height Differences: For most stations, use of a predicted height difference would give unsatisfactory predictions. In such cases they have been omitted and one or two ratios, indicated by an asterisk (\*),

# DRFA Summer Club Largemouth Bass Tournament

Saturday, July 13, 2002

6:00 am until 12:00 noon

Frankford Arsenal Ramp

Off Tacony Street, Philadelphia, PA (just south of the Tacony-Palmyra Bridge)

## RULES:

- All participants must check in between 5:00 AM & 6:00 AM before fishing.
- There is no entry fee.
- Only paid members of the D.R.F.A., and qualifying family members \*, may participate and weigh-in fish. (*The most recent membership list will be present at weigh-in.*)
- Only one (1) largemouth bass per person will be weighed. The heaviest fish will determine the winner.
- In the event of a tie in weight, the longest fish will determine the winner.
- The fish must have been caught on that day, during the hours of the tournament.
- The fishing area will be limited to the part of the Delaware River and tributaries that can be reached by boat from the Frankford Arsenal Ramp. Shore fishing is permitted.
- Weigh-in is at 12:00 sharp. Those arriving after 12:00, will not be permitted to weigh-in fish for prizes or points.
- Only legal fishing methods, of the States of New Jersey and Pennsylvania may be used. Live bait is permitted
- The largemouth bass must be a minimum of 12" (legal size) and be alive to be weighed. All fish will be released after weighing.
- The tournament judge will have final say in all disputes.

PRIZES:      1st Place-\$125  
                  2nd Place-\$75  
                  3rd Place- \$50

Tournament Hotline: 215-945-3635

Tournament Coordinator: Mike Hall 215-945-0126

All anglers weighing in fish, no matter where they place, will accumulate points towards the "Dave Bryant Memorial Angler of the Year" contest.

\*Qualifying family members can only participate if a Family Membership has been purchased. Qualifying family members include any member of the immediate family residing at that home and any immediate children, up to the age of 16, no matter where they live. Grandchildren up to the age of 16 also qualify, no matter where they live.

