



Charter Trips

Committee

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Are you a “Chotta Head” (“Charter Head” for our MA & CT members) You should be!

The RISAA Charter Raffles begin at the March meeting

The RISAA Charter program is one of the best benefits of being a member and they will be sailing soon, so check the *Q and A* below and get ready for the 2018 season.

What is the RISAA CHARTER TRIP RAFFLE PROGRAM?

The RISAA CHARTER RAFFLE PROGRAM is a raffle for Charter Trips with some of the best charter captains in Southern New England and is open to all members.

Who is eligible to enter?

The raffle is open to all members *in good standing*, that is to say, a member whose dues are paid.

You have to be present at the end of the meeting.

A member can win only one trip per year. Not a member? The RISAA Secretary can sign you up at any meeting. There is also membership application on the last page of every Newsletter, or see us at the RISAA Fishing Show March 9-11, 2018.

There is also a *Ladies Only* trip that will sail in June.

What does it cost to enter?

FREE! Although the trip is free, it is customary for the winners to tip the captain or mate 15 to 20% of the cost. However, we ask each WINNER to provide either a check for \$50 or a credit card number. This to insure that the member will show up at the time and place of the charter and will only be used if the member does not show.

In addition to the winners for each

trip we also draw 5 to 7 alternates who will fill the slots if a winner (s) is not able to make a trip. We need to have time to contact the alternates. If a member cannot make a trip after winning and follows the prescribed procedure for opting out they are eligible for future raffles that year.

2018 CHARTER TRIPS TO DATE

Block Island Fishworks
with Capt. Christopher Willi

Booked Off Charters
Capt. Tony Guarino

Captain Sheriff's Fishing Charters
with Capt. John Sheriff

Carol J Charters
with Capt. Paul Johnson

Fin Reaper Charters
with Capt. Bruce Weinstein

Flippin' Out Charters
with Capt. B.J. Silvia

Here We Go Again Charters
with Capt. Al Passarelli

Lady K Charters
with Capt. Stephen Babigian

No Fluke Charters
with Capt. Dave Monti

Northeast Boat & Kayak Charters
with Capt. Jerry Sparks

On The Rocks Charters
with Capt. Rene LeTourneau

Pura Vida Charters
Capt. Jonathan Lewie

Reel Cast Charters
with Capt. Mike Roy

Snappa Charters
with Capt. Charles Donilon

Stuff-It Charters
with Capt. Joe Pagano

Teezer Charters
with Capt. Eric Thomas

How does a member enter?

At every meeting from March through September the Charter Trips Committee will have a table in the rear corner with all of the raffle forms and information about the charters to be offered that night. The member will fill out the raffle form and winners will be chosen at the end of the meeting.

Why do Charter Captains off these Trips?

In return for providing the trip, the charter captains that participate in the program get advertising space in the Newsletter, have their RISAA dues waived, and get a story of the trip written by an accomplished angler that gets published in the monthly RISAA Newsletter. Many captains also use these stories on their web sites.

Why do we choose a Group Leader and what do they do?

We choose a Group Leader because he/she is the point person for **all communication** between the winners and the charter captain. We optimally choose a member who has been on charters before and understands the protocols.

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TRIPS RAFFLED AT THE MARCH 26 MEETING

DATE	COMPANY	CAPTAIN	# ANGLERS	TRIP
May 9	Flippin' Out Charters	Capt. B.J. Silvia	3	Night squid trip - Newport
May ?	Stuff It Charters	Capt. Joe Pagano	3	Bass & blues - Providence River
May ?	Reel Cast Charters	Capt. Mike Roy	2	Bass & blues - CT River
June ?	On The Rocks Charters	Capt. Rene Letourneau	2	Fly/Light Tackle - Narragansett Bay