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Tuna Tower News

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Incoming President's Message

Welcome to the Freeport Tuna Club 2024 season. We are fortunate to have very capable Board members who will serve this coming year. I would like to express my thanks to the membership and Board of Directors for allowing me to have such a great honor. My hope and goal as President will be to keep up the traditions of our club and keep everyone's club experience the best it can be.

Participation is going to be one of our goals this year. From General Meetings, Captains and Anglers, Fishing Shows, Flea Market, Fluke Shootout, Mardi Gras, Oktoberfest and, of course, our Christmas Party---- they were all successful thanks to the efforts from our Committee Heads, Board of Directors and Members. I urge every one to get involved.

We are always looking for suggestions on how to improve our club, please feel free to call or email: 516-417-4733 or dukier46@otonline.net

At the end of my year in office it will be very gratifying to think I had contributed in even a small way to the efforts of those who have preceded me in the Freeport Tuna Club.

Once again I thank all of you for this opportunity. I wish you all a Happy and Healthy New Year!

Anthony J. Alfieri



Property

Happy new year! Anybody still looking for winter storage Please call me we still have a few spot available. There are a couple payments due for winter storage. Please send in your payment in as soon as possible, or you can give it to me directly I can meet you at the property.

The summer lease agreements for 2024 will be mailed out in the next week it is \$80 a foot with a 20 foot minimum. In the contract, there are additional charges if storing a trailer on the property for the summer additional \$175 freezes \$200 Please put in the full amount, so I don't have to remind you that you forgot to pay for the additional.

Thank you everybody that stores their boat on the property for winter storage and of course summer Freeport tuna Club appreciates it immensely and thank you and have healthy and happy new year any questions please call

Thank you for your support,

Bob Dimino

Business Property Manager

Captains & Anglers

Wishing everyone a happy and healthy New Year!!!!

Thank you, *Jim Rooney*



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A SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM

*the President and his
Executive Board*

Have you ever considered the dynamics that take place behind the scenes that run this club of ours?

Have you ever thought about becoming a board member?

All are welcome to come down to a board meeting held at the Property.

Board members generally conduct business the third Wednesday of every month, but are also subject to change. We are currently looking for more participation. Remember, it's **YOU** who make this club! **Be involved! Be a part of it!** For the betterment of your club. For more information or to confirm the time and date of the Board Meeting contact Anthony Alfieri



Striper Diaries EPISODE 50

Season Wrap Up! It's no secret that 2023 was an incredible fishing season. Things started out strong for the spring run and opening day of striped bass produced fish in the 15 and 20 pound class. These fish stayed to the west and we were rewarded with notable catches throughout the month of April and May. By early summer the fluke bite was hot in the back bays with several doormats landed, and by mid summer, the sea bass bite heated up at our local reefs. In July, the striped bass regulations changed which affected everyone on the east coast and even though the size limit was lowered, there was no shortage of fish in our area. By the time August approached the Spanish Macks arrived which were a blast to catch



and in September the false albacore made an appearance. In October the fall run began and we saw dozens of striped bass in the 40 and 50 pound class with Tuna in the mix hitting mojos. What a blast!! The striped bass stuck around for weeks in huge numbers and it seemed that everyone got in on the action. Once the water cooled down, we were catching black fish at our local bridges which quickly turned into dinner! What a year it was!!! A big Thank you to the Freeport Tuna club for allowing me to chronicle by fishing trips. Wishing everyone a Happy and Healthy New Year.

Until my next adventure, Tight lines.

Capt. Barbara Solomon

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Membership

Greetings Freeport Tuna Club Members,

I trust you all had a fantastic holiday season, filled with joy and memorable moments. As we step into the promising year of 2024, I can't help but feel an immense sense of excitement for what lies ahead for our club.

I truly believe that 2024 is going to be an amazing year for the Freeport Tuna Club. We're set to welcome great new members into our community, and I want to express my heartfelt gratitude to our loyal members for sticking around. Your continued support is the backbone of our club.

This year is brimming with opportunities for us to create lasting memories. I hope everyone has received their membership reapplications in the mail. Your prompt return of these forms will make the process smoother for everyone involved. If, by any chance, you haven't received your reapplication, please don't hesitate to reach out – we're here to assist.



In more exciting news, we have confirmed dates for the Freeport Recreation Center Fishing Show – it will be held on the 17th and 18th of February. We're looking for volunteers to man our booth during this event. If you're interested in being a part of this fantastic opportunity, please give me a call or shoot me a text. Your involvement will undoubtedly contribute to the success of these shows.

As we embark on this new year together, filled with possibilities and adventures, I want to wish each and every one of you a Happy New Year! Here's to a year of great fishing, wonderful camaraderie, and making memories that will last a lifetime.

Best regards,

Zachary Introp

Derbies, Awards & Contests

Awards Committee: Chairman Ray Geiger, Bill Morrogh & Harry Sbaschnig

Welcome to our 2024 season and thanks to all of you members got out to fish and sent us your slips! Well done to you all!

Weigh slip submission for annual awards will officially close effective January 14th. If you are holding any slips, please see us at the GM or make sure they are postmarked no later than 1/14.

Stay tuned for updates regarding when/where our Award Night will be:

Blackfish
 1st Place: **Gabriel Gomez** 7.06 lb F/V Cora Marie
 2nd Place: **Mike Zullo** 6.63 lb F/V Magic Too

Bluefish
 1st Place: **Adam Bollaci** 16.13 lb F/V Hooker
 2nd Place: **Andrew Hepworth** 14.31 lb F/V Reel Happy

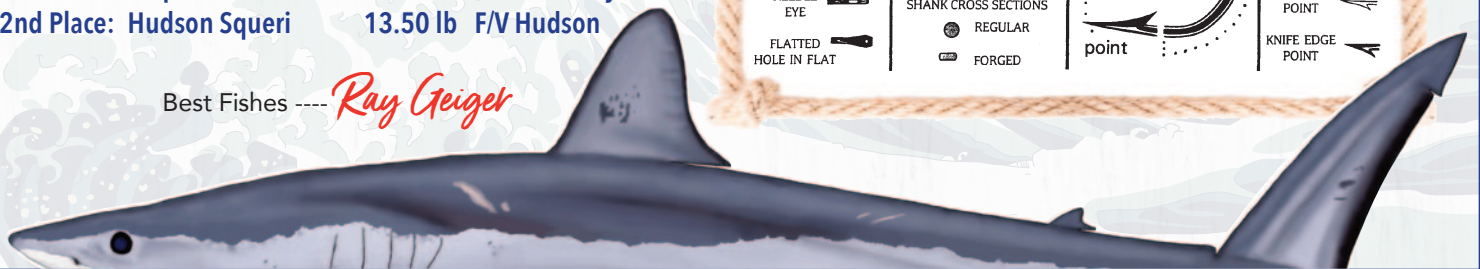
Striped Bass
 1st Place: **Ralph Drewes** 14.04 lb F/V No Mercy
 2nd Place: **Hudson Squeri** 13.50 lb F/V Hudson

Best Fishes ---- *Ray Geiger*

KNOW YOUR HOOKS

Today's sophisticated sportsman knows that there's a lot more to catching fish than just tying any type hook to the line. Hooks just may be the most important part of your arsenal, and if you skimp in this area, your results may suffer accordingly. That's why it's important to find the hooks that work best for you, and stick with them. Hook size is determined by its pattern, and is given in terms of the gap widths in the hook. The two important dimensions of the hook are its gap and throat, as illustrated by the Mustad-Viking hook below.

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