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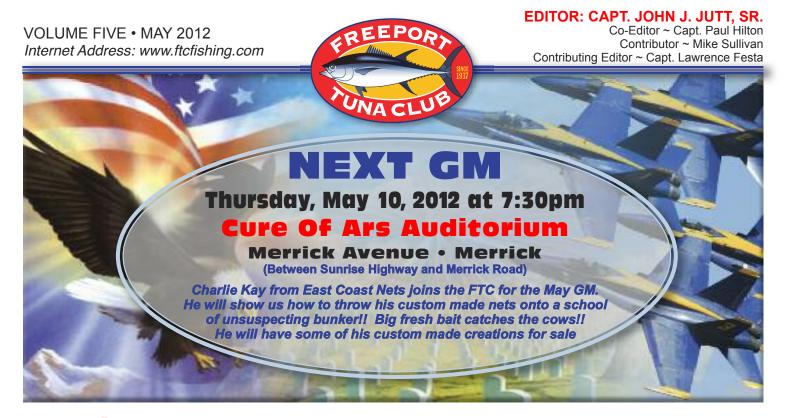
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Tuna Tower News



President's Message

Dear Members.

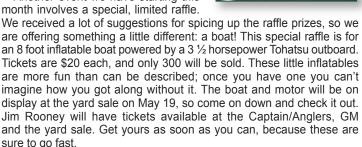
WHERE IS EVERYBODY?

That's the question the Board of Directors has been asking for the last year or so-Where are all our members? We have the best fishing club on Long Island, filled with members ready, willing and able to share their knowledge and experience for the asking, and yet attendance at both the General Meetings and Captains/Anglers has been going down for the past two years Every month the General Meeting provides food, drink, entertainment, information and laughs—all for a ten dollar bill. Every week from Spring to Fall the Captains/Anglers get-together provides all that, and the latest information on the local fishing scene, for the same ten dollar charge. We all know the economy stinks and money is tight everywhere, but come on—you can't get through the drive-through at McDonald's for ten bucks, and Ronald isn't going to give you the lowdown on the where the bass bite is hot with your fries. Take advantage of all your club has to offer and attend as many meetings as you can. If you have a question about anything-where to fish this weekend, how to tie a rig, a problem with your boat, the best way to cook today's catch—anything at all, just seek out a Board member and ask. That is why the Board members wear their blue shirts: it is so the membership knows who they are. Somewhere in this club is a member who has the answer to your question, and any Board member will help you find them.

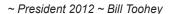
If all that isn't enough we are starting a new incentive to get members to the GM: starting with the May GM we will be awarding a door prize at each meeting. The winner will receive \$25 cash, and a voucher good for \$25 worth of raffle tickets at any future GM. All members in good standing are eligible to win. One name will be picked at random from the membership list---BUT—the winner must be present to collect the prize. This will be a progressive prize, so if the winner is not present the money goes back in the pot, and next meeting the prize will be \$50 and the raffle voucher, and so on each month until we have a winner and start all over again.

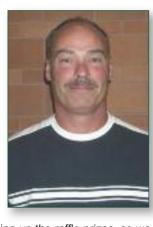
The meetings have a lot to offer, but the club is so much more than just meetings. This is our 75th anniversary, and to mark the occasion we are going to have a dinner cruise aboard the Capt. Lou on June 28. Hot buffet dinner, open bar, music and the company of good friends, all for \$65 a ticket. It is the best value for a night out you can find anywhere. See Jim Rooney for tickets and information.

Another event we have starting this



Lots of things are happening in your club; come on out and be a part of it. I hope to see you all soon.





FTC Fishing Report

April showers Bring Ma



Bring May Flowers.....

Our season is starting. All recreational anglers as in years past are reminded that they will once again need a NYS DEC Fishing License. The License is free and can be obtained by accessing the following website: http://www.dec.ny.gov/permits/6091.html

In addition to your DEC Fishing License all offshore anglers looking to fish for Pelagic Species will need a NMFS Permit. The permit can be obtained by accessing the following websites: http://www.nmfs.noaa.gov/permits.htm,https://hmspermits.noaa.gov/PermitList.asp. The cost is \$20.00 for this permit.

Our recent run of mackerel is finally over and it was a stellar one! In all my years of fishing mackerel back in the day, this run of fish was one of the best. The fish were extremely close to our inlet and it lasted over three weeks!.......That is a long run. Let's hope it sets a positive tone for our season.

Fluke opened up this past Tuesday May 1st. Our DEC regs are calling for four (4) Fluke @ 19.5". A bag limit we can all live with so catch them up. In addition our an-



nual "Duke of Fluke" Contest is on, so see Captain Mike Sullivan to get in on this event.

Bottom fishing on our local wrecks and out as far as the 20 mile pieces are producing nice keeper Codfish & Ling. Remember Seabass is currently closed and due to re-open June 15th so any Seabass caught must be released.

For all current DEC regulations access the following website:http://www.dec.ny. gov/outdoor/7894.html

Striped bass fishing is also picking up nicely. Jigs, Bunker, Clams & Trolling the beaches using shad rigs and bunker spoons all seem to be productive. Members are reminded that you cannot fish striped bass in Federal Waters, so be mindful of your distance offshore when trolling or jigging.

Our Annual Offshore Cod Trip took our members and guests to the far off canyons for Tile & Wreck Fish. Conditions were not stellar; however we did manage to put a catch Together. I very fine "Pool Winning" 42 pound Golden Tile was angled by Captain Dave Pincus. We all once again thank Captain Harry Weinblatt for putting this club event together.

In closing our 2012 Derby Date's along with our Club's Minimum weights are posted on our website @: http://www.ftcfishing.com/derbies.html

Tight Lines

- ~ Captain Larry Festa
- ~ F/V KRISTEN

Membership

Several new members will be sworn in at the May meeting. John Kiley from West Hempstead loves to fish and is looking forward to developing some new fishing buddies to share his passion with. Chris Lee from Flushing lists fishing as his sole interest and will be keeping his 35 Bruno at the property. Paul Giurco from Wantagh is the proud captain of the 35' Cabo "Laura Line".

Fluke Calcutta

Fluke are now open. 68 members have joined the 2012 Fluke Calcutta. This contest, which is open to club members only, provides a head-to-head competition to determine who the best fluke fisherman is. There are no limits on where to fish, \$10 entry fee, winner take all format. Fish must be caught on hook and line. Contact Mike Sullivan to enter. ftc1937@verizon.net.

Remember you have to be in it, to win it.

Good & Welfare

No news is good news I hope.

~ Jeff

Captain & Anglers

We had our first Captain Anglers on April 19th, with a great attendance of 52 people. PAUL NOTTO won the 50/50 and donated his winnings back to the Captain Angers...Thanks Paul!

The committe would like to thank SHARON MISSAN for preparing a chimichurri steak sauce that was delicious. Thank You also to DON MORIN and JOHN CAMPA for picking up and delivering our new oven, deepfryer, stainless steel pots and pans, tables and much more.

Besides the great food and commraderie Capt Anglers offers each member the opportunity to meet fellow members, find out current fishing news and the ability to crew up and fish together.

Join us at the Freeport Tuna Clubs marina and Clubhouse every Thursday starting 6:30 and Enjoy.

~ Bob Pandy

Property

Still looking to fill 4 slips. If you are interested or you know a person looking for a slip have them Contact: Property@FTC-fishing.com. Looking for help on the Property committee, looking for a volunteer to take over weed control on the property. Just need a little time once a month. We have all the supplies

~ Dor

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FTC Raffle

FTC Raffle tickets and Dinner cruise tickets will be available at all general meetings and Captain & Anglers.

Raffle committee is looking for members to help sell raffles see Jim Rooney.

~ Thank You. Jim



Fluke Season is Open



With the reduced number of winter flounder and small bag limits, the closure of spring blackfish, and the delayed sea bass opening, anglers have eagerly awaiting the opening of the 2012 Fluke season. Fluke are easily the single most popular species targeted by anglers on Long Island.

The 2012 fluke season opened May 1st and will run through September 30th.

New Minimum Size Limit – New York has finally given us a break and lowered the minimum size limit to 19.5". This will make it easier to bring home a few fillets and reduce mortality, hopefully a step in the right direction as the fishery continues to build.

Other Important NY Regulations – Summer flounder (fluke) may not have heads or tails removed or be otherwise cleaned, cut, filleted, or skinned until brought to shore, with the following exception: the white side fillet or white skin only of a legal size fluke may be removed to use as bait. The carcass of the fluke with dark side completely intact must be retained for inspection of size limit and counts against the possession limit.

Fluking is already well underway in the back bays and Reynolds Channel, in all the usual hotspots. Anglers out of Orient and Montauk are targeting the run of large fish that occurs early in the season.

The Freeport Tuna Club has a Fluke Calcutta that runs all season long.

Entry fee is \$ 10.00 per angler. Contact Mike Sullivan for entry.

~ Paul Hilton / Emily S.

May 2012 Derby, Awards & Contests Report

Awards Chairman: Captain Bill Morrogh Committee Team: Captain Lavry Festa, Captian Michael Zullo

Our 2012 Derby season has begun! Good luck to everyone. Don't forget those annual awards and send in your weigh slips!

The Striped Bass Derby opened on Saturday, 5/5. The fish are here! There's still time to get out and hit the Winter Flounder Derby. If you have Cod weigh Slips get them in right away.

THE FOLLOWING DERBIES ARE IN DROGRESS:

Cod (6 lbs.)	March 17th – May 6th
Flounder (1.5 lbs.)	April 1st - May 13th
Striped Bass (15 lbs.)	May 5th - June 10th
Weakfish (5 lbs.)	May 12th – June 24th
Fluke (3.5 lbs.)	May 26th - July 4th
Shark (125 lbs.)	May 26th - July 4th
Bluefish (8 lbs.)	May 26th - July 4th
See you on	the water

Tournament Committee

Chairman: Matt Errett Members: Chris Bellinzoni

- Cape May Shark Tournament June 7th - 10th (609) 884-2400
- 2. 26th Annual Star Island Shark Tournament
 June 14th, Captains meeting, fish dates, June 15th -16th
- 3. Freeport Hudson Anglers Shark Tournament
 June 16th, Rain date June 17th
- 4. 51st Annual Bayshore Mako Tournament
 June 23rd
- 5. Woodcleft Shark Tournament
 June 23rd, Rain date June 24th (516) 378-8748
- 6. Great Gun Anglers Club
 June 23rd, Rain Date June 24th (631) 698-1742
- 7. Montauk Marine Basin 43rd
 Annual Shark Tag Tournament
 June 29th 30th (631) 668-5900
- 8. South Jersey "on the meat" Over-nighter (new tournament, multiple specis offshore) July 20th - 22nd
- 9. 20th Annual Star Island Mako Thresher Tournament August 2nd - 4th
- **10. Mid Atlantic *500,000**August 19th 24th (609) 884-2400

Please check the ftc website for additional information on tournaments as it becomes available.

Good luck & be safe!!!!!

Mark Your Calendar For Upcoming FTC Events



May 19th Garage Sale

June 28th

FTC 75th Anniversary Dinner Cruise

July 20th, 21st & 22th
FTC Rodeo (July GM will be held at the Rodeo)

July 28th & 29th FTC Salmon Trip (sold out)

August 9th FTC Luau



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