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# TUNA TOWER NEWS

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I hope everyone had a happy and safe Fourth of July. With things starting to open up, we have had a few successful socially distanced Captains and Anglers. Last week Bruce Forster and his band Southern Guns rocked the club during the bbq. It was a great night for all that attended.

So far July has been a solid month for fishing. On the inshore grounds fluke and sea bass have been solid. Offshore quite a few nice threshers were taken and the tuna grounds both for Bluefin and the canyon have seen good fishing. And just this weekend the mahi showed up in full force on the pots down in the 100sq.

As we are still navigating these uncertain times. The Board of Directors and Officers of the club thank you all for standing by the club with your continued support. We are all working hard behind the scenes to make sure we come out on top, stronger and better. As always, if anyone has any questions or concerns I can be reached at 516-322-0030 or at adambollaci@gmail.com.



Tight lines, *Capt. Adam*

## A SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT & 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 and to confirm the the time and date of the Board Meeting, contact Adam Bollaci - cell 516.322.0030

# A MESSAGE FROM THE BOARD

## RESIGNATION & APPOINTMENT

Ken Donowski has resigned his position as 2nd Vice President of the Executive Board. The Board of Directors and the General Membership would like to thank Ken for his contributions to our club. We are sure Ken will still contribute his time in the future as he has done in the past (Ken, don't go too far, we need good men like you!).

Our President and his Board have approved Robert Cincotta placement to the Executive Board as 2nd Vice President. Anyone wishing to help Robert (or any Board Member) in their task, please contact the President, Adam Bollaci (516) 322-0030 or the 2nd Vice President, Robert Cincotta (516) 987-4850.

Good Luck to Robert in his new position! *The Board of Directors*

## PROPERTY COMMITTEE

Our two boat planters have finally left. Charlie Goldstein has been doing a fine job weed whacking and stacking blocks along with keeping an eye on the property in my absence. Don and Charlie have been moving trailers in an effort to maximize parking on the property. Ray Geiger picked up a new flag and we raised it on Saturday, July 18. No major problems at this time other than we have two boats in slips that have not paid dues yet. The dumpster pick-up is now on an every other week basis, if needed it can be changed. The ice machine appears to be handling the load OK if all abide by one bucket per boat. We are not a storage facility so whoever left a pile of rods in the wooden storage shed please remove them ASAP. Let's not forget the Covid-19 virus is still a serious threat, so while you are at the property please wear a mask and respect social distancing.

*Your Property Committee*



**ICE MACHINE RULES:** One 5 gallon bucket per member and/or boat crew per day (5 members on your boat = ONE 5 gallon bucket TOTAL). Our ice machine is limited and can not handle multiple large coolers. If you need more ice, please make other arrangements. Noncompliance will lead to the ice machine being locked and used for club events only.

Thank you. *Jim Rooney*

## ENTERTAINMENT

I hope everyone is enjoying their summer and getting in on the fishing action. We are fortunate to be able to pursue our passion during these crazy times. **IF** we have a meeting in September, Christopher LaPorta, DEC Reef Manager, will update us on recent developments. Hope to see you all then.

*Bruce C. Forster*

*F/V Oh Reely and F/V Oh Yeah*

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## GOOD & WELFARE

Congratulations to Michael and Cynthia Sullivan on the latest addition to their family. They welcomed another grandchild, Lilly Anne Sullivan. A keeper at 9lbs. 1oz. May God bless her and watch over her.

Congratulations to Robert Cincotta upon his appointment to the Executive Board as 2nd Vice President

*Jeff Squeri* 516-652-5981





# FLAG RAISING

Saturday, July 18, 2020

A new flag was raised on the property at 0900 on July 19th. A special thanks to Ray Geiger for heading this project!

A JOB WELL DONE RAY!

*It Looks Great!*



## DERBIES, AWARDS & CONTESTS

Awards Chairman: Ray Geiger | Committee: Bob Benzenberg, Harry Sbaschnig & Captain Bill Morrogh

Reminder: FTC current derby dates and the link to our club fishing regulations (including minimum weights) are located at: <http://ftcfishing.com/derbies.html>

I wish to thank all the members who have submitted slips thus far. I know the keepers have been elusive to say the least, but they might have been on lockdown too.

**Please congratulate the following Derby winners so far:**

### COD

First: Mike Zullo 7.25 lb F/V Magic Too

### BLACKFISH

First: MaryEllen Zullo 5.38 lb F/V Magic Too

Second: MaryEllen Zullo 4.38 lb F/V Magic Too

### SHARK

First: DJ Toback 217 lb F/V Corazon

Second: Al Casiano 151 lb F/V Four Bells

Good luck to all and stay safe!!

Best Fishes, *Ray Geiger*



## THE FOLLOWING DERBIES ARE OPEN THIS MONTH

WEAKFISH	Aug. 8 - Sept. 20
TUNA	Aug. 8 - Sept. 20
FLUKE	Aug. 15 - Sept. 13
FALSE ALBACORE	Aug. 15 - Sept. 27
GREEN BONITA	Aug. 15 - Sept. 27
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# MEMBERSHIP

Our current membership count is 203 - this will definitely climb as the year progresses!

Please note from the clubs by-laws regarding membership. On the first day of the calendar year following the eighteenth birthday of such Junior Member, he or she shall be entitled to Regular Membership. Such Junior Members shall be obligated to pay regular dues to the Corporation but no additional initiation fee shall be charged.

# CAPTAINS & ANGLERS

Our Captains & Anglers BBQs committee will be looking for extra volunteers to help with the continuing reopening mitigation efforts. Please keep an eye on the FTC Web page, Facebook and email notifications for best up to date information. Looking forward to seeing all our members soon.

Thank you, *Jim Rooney*

## CAPTAINS & ANGLERS' needs volunteers!

Interested? Please contact Bob Pandy or Jim Rooney

# SHOOT-OUTS

I am currently in contact with other clubs in reference to upcoming shoot-outs. If you have any suggestions or ideas, please don't hesitate to let me know.

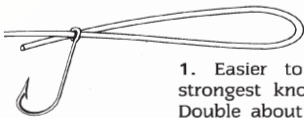
Thank you.

*John Rooney*

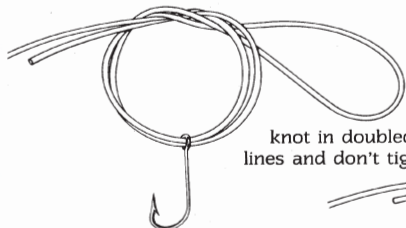


## Know your Knots

### Palomar Knot

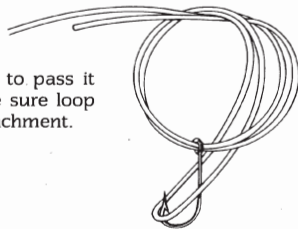


1. Easier to tie right, and consistently the strongest knot known to hold terminal tackle. Double about 4" of line and pass loop through eye.



2. Let hook hang loose and tie overhand knot in doubled line. Avoid twisting the lines and don't tighten knot.

3. Pull loop of line far enough to pass it over hook, swivel or lure. Make sure loop passes completely over this attachment.



4. Pull both tag end and standing line to tighten. Clip about 1/8".



## IN THE NEWS!

### Caught off Nickerson



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Photos: Massive, Near 400-Pound Bull Shark Caught Off Long Island Coast

### Shark Sightings Close Long Island Beaches

"Just another day in 2020," Nassau County Executive Laura Curran tweeted.

By Alex Costello, Patch Staff  
Jul 27, 2020 11:34 am ET | Updated

Laura Curran  
@NassauExecutive

At 3pm, a shark was spotted at Jones Beach Field 6 – 5 miles from the County's Nickerson Beach. We've temporarily closed Nickerson for swimming & to additional visitors. We'll reassess in 1 hour.

@NassauCountyPD's air patrol is on alert & will continue to monitor the coast.



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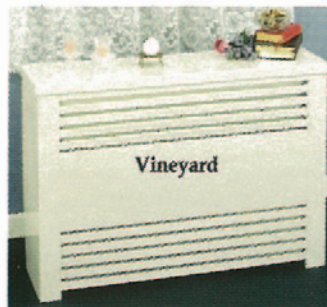
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