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# Tuna Tower News





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# **NEXT GM**

Thursday, October 13, 2011 at 8pm Cure Of Ars Auditorium Merrick Avenue • Merrick

(Between Sunrise Highway and Merrick Road)

Have A Safe & Spooktacular Halloween.

The guest speaker for the October 2011
General Membership meeting will be Lt. Col. David Ruvloa,
New York Air National Guard (ret), 106th Aerospace Rescue and Recovery
Squadron. Lt. Col Ruvola will be speaking on his participation as
helicopter pilot on what will be the 20th anniversary
of "The Perfect Storm"

## President's Message



Dear Members.

The summer season is over and the fall season is upon us. The spices may have changed, but there is still plenty of fishing to be done. We currently have several derbies in progress along with shoot-outs, and many pending annual awards. Check out our FTC website for the dates. Fluke is now closed but Blackfish is opened and from the first reports it going to be a good season.

If you missed this Fall Rodeo you missed one of the best Rodeos the FTC has had in years. You can say it was a clam bake rodeo with steak. I would like to thank all the members of the Captain Anglers crew for the hard work and hours of preparation that goes into putting together a rodeo. "Thank You".

The October's GM will be having the second part of "The Perform Storm" story. Retired Lt. Col Dave Ruvola will be our guest speaker and giving us his side of the venture as the pilot of the helicopter on that heroic day. This is the 20th Anniversary of this event in history and the FTC is proud to have Lt. Col Ruvola as a guest speaker. This is a GM's that you don't want to miss!

Jim Rooney will be chairing our Nominating Committee. November is election month. Any member that is interested in running for a board seat please contact Jim Rooney. You will need ten signatures of members in good standing to be added to the ballot. All candidates must officially submit to our Secretary Bill

Morrogh Seven days prior to our November General Meeting.

The FTC would like to once again have our Wild Game Dinner this year but we need help from the members of the FTC that hunt. If possible please help by donating any game harvest for this event. The success of our dinner depends on your donations and most of all your participation. Please see Dave Massa or Bob Benzenberg for info.



I would like to remind our members that

winter storage at our property is by far the best deal in town. Get in touch with John Gerrity ASAP if you wish to winter store on our property or in water this year. Space is going fast, so act now. There also a waiting list if you're interested in keeping your vessel at our beautiful marina for our upcoming 2012 season. We will have slip available for vessels up to 36 Feet.

Sometimes people call me an idealist. Well, that is the way... I know I am an American. America is the only idealistic nation in the world. ~Woodrow Wilson

God Bless America

~ President 2011 ~ John H. Rooney

#### FISHING BULLETIN

Now that the month of October has officially settled in on the calendar, it is time to enjoy the last quarter of our year as our season kicks in toward the start of the fall migration. As we transition into the month of October, the opportunity gradually diminishes to plan an offshore trip beyond a 24 hour weather window. In order to be suc-



cessful at this time of the year you need to have a flexible schedule, which in turn will allow you to get your vessel off the dock. Our recent foiled weather forecasts have had our club vessels tied to the dock. The upcoming weather pattern shows moderating temperatures and subsiding winds so let's get those dock lines untied and bring some fish back to the scales.

On the offshore scene; it has basically been a blow out, high winds have kept our offshore crews at bay awaiting a window of opportunity to cast their lines off. However in between the high winds Chris Gerhart has been able to get his Wasabi offshore to the deep water. During one blustery overnight trip Chris, Bobby Hindenlang and crew were able to land a beautiful 200lb. class swordfish along with a smattering of yellowfin tuna. The high light of that trip was during the fight when terminal tackle failure required that the line be spliced to another outfit as the boat pitched in between the ocean swells that evening. The crew all acting in concert were able to subdue the fish after an epic hour long battle. Congratulations on a great job well done! A week later Chris quickly mustered up another crew to take advantage of the weather and again he and his crew landed two swordfish and two dozen yellowfin and longfin tuna.

Closer to shore Capt Larry Festa skippered his Kristen to the twenty fathom curve area looking to do what he does best; find the man in the blue suit. He and his crew found them, however they were on the smallish side and both fish were tagged and released to fight another day. Along the way to the grounds a few false albacore and bluefish were trolled for fresh bait which was utilized during the day.

On the local fishing front, our fluke season is officially closed. However blackfish season has opened up fairly strong, as such last weekend Tim Sherman teamed up with Brian Dougherty for some great local blackfish action. They limited out with the largest fish reported in the 6.0 lb class. Local blackfish experts, Bobby Hindenlang and Mike Zullo have both reported similar action as well. There have also been reports of a few bass being chummed in the inlet recently, both sides have produced action.

Well that is it for this month. I will have additional reports by the October GM. Good luck to all and be safe.

Sincerely,

~ Captain Harry Weinblatt F/V Blue Marlin

#### **CAPTAIN & ANGLERS**

Oct 20th will be Oktoberfest at the club house. German beer, German food, and loads of fun for all. Anyone who has a German specialty and would like to participate contact Jim Rooney or John Weber.

# PROPERTY WINTER STORAGE

The Freeport Tuna Club is pleased to extend this offer to store your boat at its property for the 2011 - 2012 winter seasons. The Rates for this season will remain the same as last year @ \$14 a foot minimum \$275 with season extended to June first.

At the present time we have one open slip on the line, with the possibility of several more slips being available for the 2012 season. Get your name on the waiting list for next year.

Contact Don Granger at 516-749-4712 or property@FTC.com

#### CONSERVATION REPORT

Please be aware of all the changing fishing regulations.

Fluke closed on October 1st. Blackfish opened on October 1st we are allowed 4 fish at 14 inches or greater. This will remain in effect until December 20th. 2012 requirements are uncertain at this time. Sea Bass closed on October 1st and will reopen for November 1st. We are allowed 10 fish at 13 inches. Porgies are now extended until December 25th in NYS waters within 3 miles of shore. NY limit is 10 fish at 10.5 inches. Striped Bass remain open until December 15. Cod remain at 10 fish over 22 inches all year!

~ Committee Chairman Dennis Cataldo

#### **GOOD AND WELFARE**

Jeff Squeri 516-2216343 / c 516-652-5981. Not much to report All is good on the FTC Front. Have a safe and Happy Halloween. ~ *Jeff* 

#### BULLETIN

Want to receive the monthly bulletin even faster? Did you know that you can sign up to receive electronic delivery? And you don't have to be a computer genus to take advantage of this. All you need is a valid e-mail address. If you would like to give it a try, send your request to ftc1937@verizon.net. And don't worry. You will still receive a paper bulletin by mail.

#### **PROPERTIES**

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#### **FLUKE CALCUTTA**

Charlie Sporing has won the 2011 Calcutta with a 9 lb. 8 oz. fish, just nudging out Joe Mangiapanello impressive 9 lb. 7 oz fish. There is \$720 in the pool. Congratulations to Charlie on a fine catch!

~ Mike Sullivan



# CATCH MONTH Black Sea Bass

Once the effects of Irene subsided, local Sea Bass fishing was just hitting stride just as our NY season came to a close. Many anglers reported good catches in water ranging from 50' out to 100' plus.



Our "Catch of the Month" goes to Charlie Goldstein who caught this impressive 5 lb 6 oz sea bass while fishing a "twenty mile wreck" on board Don Granger's Split Shot.

For bragging rights, please email me at philton@optonline.net or text me at 516 721 8907 to be considered for "Catch of the Month" by the bulletin committee.

Include a picture and some catch details. Thanks to all who submitted entries this Month and please keep them coming.

~ Paul Hilton / Emily S

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As We Come To The Close Of The 2011 Derby Year, There Are 5 Derbies Left To Go With Options For Both Inshore And Offshore Anglers. While Our Last Round Of Derbies Were Plagued By Bad Weather And Fickle Fish, These Last 5 Derbies Are Always Competitive! Even Cod Looks Good So Get Out There And Fish! Don't Forget To Weigh Your Catch. You've Got To Be In It To Win It!

#### THE FOLLOWING DERBIES ARE RUNNING:

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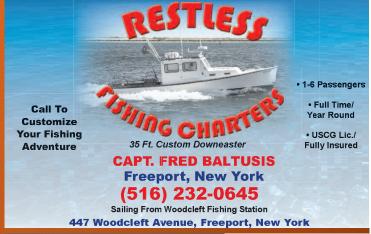
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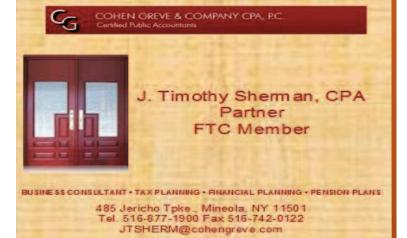
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