

Freeport Tuna Club, Inc.

# TUNA TOWER NEWS

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happy  
holidays!



## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

It is hard to believe that I am coming to the end of my second term at the helm of the Freeport Tuna Club. It has been an amazing two years with some highs and some lows, but in the end it has been an experience that will last a lifetime. Many thanks to the Board of Directors for all their support and for giving me this opportunity.

When I think of the word volunteerism, what comes to mind is the FTC. All the committees, Board of Directors, Captains and Anglers. It is what keeps the wheels turning even when times are tough. After many years running our property, serving on the Board and the Executive Team Bob Sabella is stepping down from his post. Bob, your tireless effort and commitment to the FTC has laid the groundwork and set the bar high for all who follow in your footsteps. We all send our gratitude and thanks. We would like to welcome Tom Leprine and Brendan Kaelin, they will now be overseeing the Property committee. Thank you both for stepping up to fill this important role.

The year has been challenging and the FTC has risen up and made the best of the circumstances. We were fortunate to be able to take advantage of our wonderful property throughout the summer thanks to the Captain and Anglers crew that made it all possible. There are some exciting projects in the works that will help to enhance the property and everyone's enjoyment of it — stay tuned for details.

Wishing everyone a Merry Christmas, Happy Holidays, and a happy and healthy New Year

*Capt. Adam*



2021 happy new year

# THE YEAR IN PICTURES



# DERBY, AWARDS & CONTESTS

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

Another fishing season/year in the books as is often said. On behalf of our committee, we wish to thank and congratulate each and every one who participated.

The following derbies ended on November 22nd.

**SHARK | BLUEFISH | STRIPED BASS | BLACKFISH**

Best Fishes! *Ray Geiger*



## DOCKING NOTE...

If you are keeping your boat on the property please contact Chris Squeri prior to placing in the yard. He is making sure we maximize space to accommodate everyone. He can be reached at 516-523-3444

## CAPTAINS & ANGLERS

Our annual turkey fry was a great success to cap off the 2020 season. The Captains & Anglers committee would like to thank all the club members who participated in the Thursday night BBQs this year. A special thanks goes to the C&A crew for their hard work and dedication, and all the members who volunteered to help when asked.

On behalf of the Captain and Anglers committee we wish you a happy and healthy holiday season.

Thank you, *Jim Rooney*

## PROPERTY COMMITTEE

If you are storing your boat for the winter at the property (and you haven't yet...) be sure to send a copy of the lease (downloadable from the website) proof of insurance and your check for your storage. Send to Freeport Tuna Club, PO Box 5, Freeport, NY 11520 - Attn: Don Granger. Just a reminder to those who have not paid as yet there will be late fees assessed for late payment as noted in the lease agreement.

We retain the right to move boats as needed to keep a full marina. Stay safe, stay warm... spring is just around the corner.

*Your Property Committee*

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## GOOD & WELFARE

Our prayers and thoughts go out to the family of Arnold Fleisher on his passing and also to the family of Henry Dam on the passing of his mother

Any good and welfare to report... please contact

*Jeff Squeri*  
516-652-5981

## HELLO FTC MEMBERS

I hope everyone had a great thanksgiving with family and friends. I would also like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas, Happy Hanukkah. Those still fishing tight lines! Be safe and stay healthy.

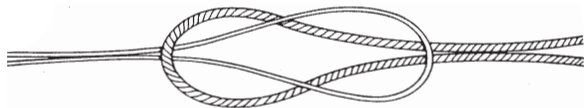
Semper Fi! *Robert Cincotta* 2nd VP  
F/V The Flounder Flopper

## ENTERTAINMENT

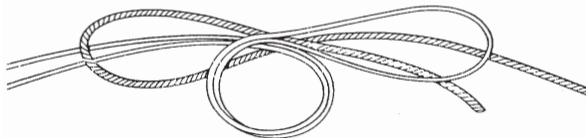
The Turkey raffle was quite the success at the Property and I did enjoy being the emcee, although perhaps more than Dave Denenberg did! I hope everyone had a safe and healthy Thanksgiving. It looks like our get togethers will be quite curtailed for the next few months due to the ever present Covid Virus. I would like to thank all the Board Members and FTC volunteers for making our club a hiatus from the craziness this year. I look forward to next year when life returns to some reasonable state of normal. Please enjoy your Holiday Season, stay safe and Healthy.

Regards, *Bruce C. Forster* F/V Oh Reely & F/V Oh Yeah

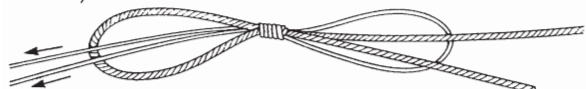
### Know your Knots Shack Leader to Line



1. When leader is five times or more the pound/test of line, double ends of both leader and line back about 6". Slip loop of line through loop of leader far enough to permit tying Uni-Knot around both strands of leader.

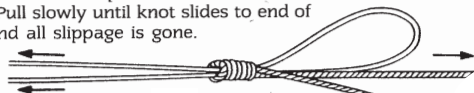


2. With doubled line, tie Uni-Knot around the two stands of leader. Use only four turns.



3. Put finger through loop of line and grasp both tag end and standing line to pull knot snug around loop of leader.

4. With one hand pull standing leader (not both strands). With other hand pull both strands of line (see arrows). Pull slowly until knot slides to end of leader loop and all slippage is gone.



### Double Line Shack Leader



1. As a replacement for Bimini Twist or Spider Hitch, first clip off amount of line needed for length of loop desired. Tie the two ends together with an Overhand Knot.

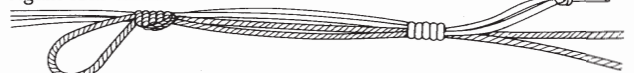


2. Double end of standing line and overlap 6" with knotted end of loop piece. Tie Uni-Knot with tied loop around doubled standing line, making four turns.

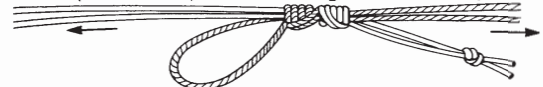
#### The Uni-Knot System



3. Now tie Uni-Knot with doubled standing line around loop piece. Again four turns.



4. Hold both strands of doubled line in one hand, both strands of loop in other. (See arrows.) Pull knots together until they barely touch.



5. Tighten by pulling both strands of loop piece but only main strand of standing line. Trim off both loop tag ends, which eliminates Overhand Knot.

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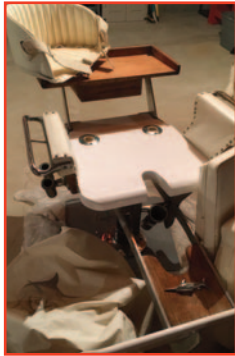
*the President and his Executive Board*

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 and to confirm the the time and date of the Board Meeting, contact Adam Bollaci - cell 516.322.0030



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*On Behalf of the Editorial Staff and the Board of Directors, we wish you and your families a happy and healthy holiday season. May the Fish Gods smile down upon us in the upcoming year and give us plenty of fish!*

*Capt. John J. Jutt, Editor*

*F/V Red Dawn Rising*

*F/V Bunker Dunker*

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