



"Sabby the Lingo?" Maritime Language - XXVII

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As noted prior, each discipline has a language and that language conveys competency to the listener. This column is part of a series of maritime vocabulary words. So you can sound like the salty ol' mariner you are... We'll run enough of these to get the major concepts and phraseology from Alpha to Zulu in front of you!

W - Whiskey

International Meaning:

I require medical assistance.

• **Wake** - Moving waves, track or path that a boat leaves behind it, when moving through the water; the track of disturbed water a boat leaves as it moves.

• **Warming the Bell** - Striking "bells" a little before the proper time at the end of a watch. More generally, doing something unjustifiably or unnecessarily early.

• **Warp** - (1) To warp is to move a vessel by lines - move a boat by hauling on lines attached to docks or anchors. (2) The longitudinal threads in canvas and other textiles. (3) Hawser used when warping. (4) The line by which a boat rides to a sea anchor. (5) Mooring ropes.

• **Warrant Officer** - A range of ranks above enlisted men and below commissioned officers, usually having specialized knowledge and skills. 1

• **Washing Down** - Said of a vessel when she is shipping water on deck and it is running off through scuppers and freeing ports.

• **Watch Buoy** - A buoy moored near a Lightship from which she can check her position to make sure that she has not moved by dragging.

• **Waterline** - The line where the water comes to on the hull of a boat. Design waterline is where the waterline was designed to be, load waterline is the waterline when the boat is loaded, and the painted waterline is where the waterline was painted. Actual waterline is where the waterline really is at any given time.

• **Waterline Length** - The length of the boat at the waterline.

• **Waveson** - Goods floating on surface of sea after

a wreck.

• **Way** - A vessel's movement through the water; such as headway, sternway, or leeway.

• **Way Enough** - Order given to a boat's crew when going alongside under oars. Denotes that boat has sufficient way, and that oars are to be placed inside the boat.

• **Waypoint** - A charted feature or chosen position on a chart

• **Ways** - The framework of timber, etc., on which a vessel is built, from which she is launched into the water.

• **Wear** - 1) To wear a boat is the operation of bringing a sailing vessel onto the other tack by bringing the wind around the stern, as opposed to tacking, where the wind is brought around the bow. 2) In respect to the flying of flags, a ship flies her national flag or ensign, but wears a personal flag.

• **Weather Helm** - The natural tendency of a sailboat to come up into the wind. The helm must be held over to keep the boat from coming up in the direction of the wind.

• **Weatherly** - A sailing vessel is said to be weatherly when she can sail closer to the wind than the average, thus gaining an advantage when the destination is to windward.

• **Weigh Anchor** - To raise anchor in preparation for departure.

• **Well Found** - Said of a vessel that is adequately fitted, stored, and furnished.

• **Wet Dock** - Repairs made without removing the vessel from the water.

• **Wet Locker** - A locker equipped with a drain so that wet clothes can be stored in it without damaging other objects in the boat.

• **Wetted Surface** - The whole of the external surface of a vessel's hull that is in contact with the water in which she is floating.

• **Whack** - An old term for a seaman's daily rations.

• **Wharf** - Man-made structure of wood or stone

parallel to the shoreline, used for loading and offloading of cargo, embarkation and disembarkation of passengers, or making fast. Virtually the same as a quay, except a quay is generally built only of stone.

• **Where Away?** - Inquiry addressed to a look-out man, demanding precise direction of an object he has sighted and reported.

• **Whistling for Wind** - Based on an old tradition that whistling at sea will cause a wind to rise.

• **Whistling Psalms to the Taffrail** - Nautical phrase that means giving good advice that will not be taken.

• **White Horses** - Fast-running waves with white foam crests.

• **Wholesome** - Said of craft that behaves well in bad weather.

• **Wide Berth** - To avoid something by a large distance.

• **Wind Dog** - An incomplete rainbow, or part of a rainbow. It is supposed to indicate approach of a storm.

• **Wind Shadow** - The wind being blocked by a land mass, obstruction, or sails from another boat. This creates a windless area on boats downwind away from them.

• **Winding** - Turning a vessel end for end between buoys, or along-side a wharf or pier.

• **Windward** - Towards the wind. Windward is an adjective meaning the direction from which the wind is blowing. The windward side of a boat is the one which the wind hits first. "Sailing to windward" means sailing towards the wind. Opposite of leeward.

• **Wrack** - (1) To destroy by wave action. (2) Seaweed thrown ashore by sea.

More in the weeks ahead...

BTW, if you are interested in being part of USCG Forces, email me at JoinUSCGAux2008@aol.com or go direct to Lisa Etter, who is in charge of new members matters, at FSO-PS@emcg.us and we will help you "get in this thing..."



FISHING WITH TONY

IT'S FLUKE HEAVEN ON BOTH SHORES

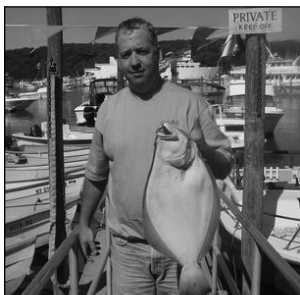
by TONY SALERNO

Although the springtime temperatures are almost summer like outside, the water temps surrounding Long Island remains quite chilly. In fact, so chilly, I received reports of some cod and ling on the inshore grounds this week. Despite the cold waters its business as usual on the north and south shore bays and harbors.

Candy Caraftis down by the ramp on Main Street in Port Jeff Harbor (631) 473-2288 is reporting fluke heaven along the shoals just east of buoy 11 with Dennis Dennehy nabbing a beautiful flattie weighing in at a six and a half pounds. Bucktails tipped with sand eels, squid or spearing is doing the trick. Candy suggests working different depths from 15 to 30 feet of water. For one of the latest hot spots and hottest baits, stop in at Caraftis Fishing Station where Tim and Candy will help you with all your bait and tackle needs.

In addition, the area party and charter boats are also banging away at the current fluke run. Both the Celtic Quest and the Osprey have been sending anglers home smiling with tired arms and healthy bags of tasty fillets. The waters are chock full of sand eels, which should keep the fluke in the area for at least the next six weeks.

Along the south shore the caliber of the action may not be the way the north shore is, but when conditions are right, it's pretty darn close. All the local party and charter boats from Shinnecock and Moriches ports have been slamming fluke to 8 pounds both in the bays and the ocean. Captain James Russo of the Moriches based open boat the Rosie has been mixing it up according to the tide both inside Narrows Bay and in 45 feet of water just east of the inlet. All fares are seeing fast action catching 10 to 15 fluke apiece with most anglers going home with a healthy bag of fillets of their 2 fish at 21 inches or better limit. Over at Hampton Bays, both the Shinnecock Star and the Hampton Lady is experiencing similar results as Moriches with both boats also mixing it up between the bay and ocean depending on conditions. The fishing is red hot. Now is the time to grab a rod and hit the water.



Dennis Dennehy six and a half pound fluke weighed at Caraftis Fishing Station in Port Jeff

Tides for Moriches Inlet starting with June 2, 2010

Day	High/Low	Tide Time	Height Feet	Sunrise/Sunset	Moon Time	% Moon Visible
Wed. 2	Low	5:14 AM	0.3	5:21 AM	Set	77
2	High	11:49 AM	2.6	8:17 PM		
2	Low	5:20 PM	0.7			
2	High	11:54 PM	2.9			
Thur. 3	Low	5:57 AM	0.4	5:21 AM	Rise	69
3	High	12:35 PM	2.6	8:17 PM	Set	
3	Low	6:14 PM	0.8			
Fri. 4	High	12:40 AM	2.7	5:21 AM	Rise	59
4	Low	6:45 AM	0.5	8:18 PM	Set	
4	High	1:19 PM	2.7			
4	Low	7:17 PM	0.8			
Sat. 5	High	1:25 AM	2.7	5:20 AM	Rise	50
5	Low	7:36 AM	0.5	8:19 PM	Set	
5	High	2:03 PM	2.7			
5	Low	8:21 PM	0.8			
Sun. 6	High	2:13 AM	2.5	5:20 AM	Rise	41
6	Low	8:27 AM	0.5	8:19 PM	Set	
6	High	2:49 PM	2.9			
6	Low	9:19 PM	0.7			
Mon. 7	High	3:05 AM	2.5	5:20 AM	Rise	31
7	Low	9:16 AM	0.4	8:20 PM	Set	
7	High	3:38 PM	3.0			
7	Low	10:10 PM	0.5			
Tus. 8	High	4:02 AM	2.5	5:20 AM	Rise	22
8	Low	10:02 AM	0.4	8:21 PM	Set	
8	High	4:28 PM	3.1			
8	Low	11:00 PM	0.4			
Wed. 9	High	4:57 AM	2.6	5:19 AM	Rise	14
9	Low	10:49 AM	0.3	8:21 PM	Set	
9	High	5:16 PM	3.3			
9	Low	11:48 PM	0.2			
Thur. 10	High	5:49 AM	2.7	5:19 AM	Rise	8
10	Low	11:37 AM	0.2	8:22 PM	Set	
10	High	6:03 PM	3.5			
Fri. 11	Low	12:37 AM	0.1	5:19 AM	Rise	3
11	High	6:38 AM	2.8	8:22 PM	Set	
11	Low	12:26 PM	0.1			
11	High	6:48 PM	3.6			
Sat. 12	Low	1:26 AM	-0.1	5:19 AM	Rise	0
12	High	7:25 AM	2.9	8:23 PM	Set	
12	Low	1:17 PM	0.1			
12	High	7:34 PM	3.7			
Sun. 13	Low	2:14 AM	0.2	5:19 AM	Rise	0
13	High	8:13 AM	3.0	8:23 PM	Set	
13	Low	2:08 PM	0.0			
13	High	8:22 PM	3.7			