



"Sabby the Lingo?" Maritime Language - VIII

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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!

C - Charlie

International Meaning: "Yes" or "affirmative". Change of Course.

- Company - The whole crew of a ship.
- Complement - The number of officers and crew employed upon a vessel for its safe navigation and operation.
- Cordage - Any rope or line.
- Corinthian - A 19th century term for a yachtsman who sails his own yacht without the help of a professional skipper.
- Cuddy - A small sheltered cabin on a boat.



D - Delta

International Meaning: I am maneuvering with difficulty; keep clear.

- Danforth Anchor - A brand of light-weight anchor. It has pivoting flukes that dig into the ground as tension is placed on the anchor.
- Davy Jones - Nautical slang for the spirit of the sea, usually in the form of a sea devil. Davy Jones's Locker is the bottom of the sea, the final resting place of sunken ships, articles lost or thrown overboard, and of men buried at sea.
- Daybeacon - A fixed navigation aid structure, visible during the day, used in shallow waters upon which is placed one or more daymarks.
- Daymark - A signboard attached to a daybeacon to convey navigational information presenting one of several standard shapes (square, triangle, rec-



tangle) and colors (red, green, orange, yellow, or black). Daymarks usually have reflective material indicating the shape.

- Dead Ahead - A position directly in front of the vessel.
- Dead Astern - A position directly aft or behind the vessel.
- Dead on End - Said of wind when exactly ahead; and of another vessel when her fore and aft line coincides with observer's line of sight.
- Dead Reckoning - The process of plotting a theoretical position or future position based on advancing from a known position using speed, time, and course, without aid of objects on land, of sights, etc. Term comes from deduced reckoning, abbreviated first to "ded reckoning".
- Deadhead - (1) A floating log. (2) A useless member of the crew.
- Deadlight - Fixed ports that do not open which are placed in the deck or cabin to admit light.
- Deadrise - The measurement of the angle between the bottom of a boat and its widest beam. A vessel with a 0° deadrise has a flat bottom, high numbers indicate deep V shaped hulls.
- Deviation - (1) Differences between the compass reading and an actual magnetic direction caused by magnetic forces in the vicinity of the compass, which are usually the result of masses of metal, speaker magnets, etc. (2) Vessel departure from specified voyage course.
- Deviation Card - A listing of a particular boat's steering deviation on each point of the compass.
- Devil to Pay - Old seafaring term meaning something very difficult or awkward.
- Dock - The area a boat rests in when attached to a pier or wharf; also the act of taking the boat to the pier to secure it.
- Dog - Heavy latch by which doors, hatches, portholes, etc., are secured; verb - to latch.
- Draft - (1) The depth of the boat below the waterline; the amount of vertical distance from a boat's water line to the bottom of its keel. (2) The depth of water necessary to float a vessel (3) The belly or chord depth of the sail, its fullness.

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

FLUKE IMPROVES ON SOUTH SHORE AS SEA BASS DELIGHTS

by TONY SALERNO

While striped bass and bluefish have proved there is no shortage of the duo along the south shore bays this week, the fluke fishing did need a bit of a shot in the arm by anglers to get a few keepers in the box. Yes, there are plenty of fluke around, especially near Buoys 8 and 9 in Narrows Bay; however, the keeper ratio in that area leaves much to be desired. Anglers fishing the Narrows are finding plenty of action on the summer flatties on either moving tide with most fishing stretching out to 19 inches or so, with an occasional fish going to 25 inches. According to Bob over at Mr. B's Bait and Tackle at 580 Route 112 in Patchogue, most anglers are nabbing a keeper, while others are limiting out with persistence. Fishing bucktails tipped with spearing or squid has been best. Bob states that most of the keepers are in the 21 to 23 inch range. In addition, Bob says the bay is beginning to see a better ratio of keepers, particularly near Buoy 12 and down by the Coast Guard Station near Buoy 23. Squid and spearing are your best offerings in the bay.



Howie Fey holding a double seabass caught aboard the Rosie in Center Moriches.

Bluefish and bass can be found popping up just about anywhere at no given time. However, the Patchogue L-Dock and the surrounding piers and bulkheads continue to produce the duo on a consistent basis and according to Bob at Mr. B's, it has been one of the most memorable seasons along the Patchogue shores as blues to 15 pounds and stripers to 26 pounds are gobbling down bunker and mackerel chunk offerings by elated anglers.

If you are looking for a different angle in the choice of species, you may want to consider an open boat trip on the Rosie located at Center Moriches Yacht Club. Captain James has been doing a sensational job of filling buckets for happy patrons with an assortment of jumbo sea bass, fluke, ling and porgies. Not only are these trips action packed and great for kids, anglers are coming off the boat smiling with plenty of fillets for the table and freezer. For more info on sailing and the current action, you can give Captain James a call at (631) 831-6859.

Tides for Moriches Inlet Starting with June 10, 2009

Day	High/Low	Tide Time	Height Feet	Sunrise/Sunset	Moon Time	% Moon Visible
Wed. 10	Low	3:16 AM	0.1	5:19 AM 8:22 PM	Set 7:34 AM Rise 10:47 PM	95
	High	9:28 AM	2.6			
	Low	3:12 PM	0.5			
	High	9:33 PM	3.2			
Thur. 11	Low	3:53 AM	0.2	5:19 AM 8:22 PM	Set 8:35 AM Rise 11:16 PM	91
	High	10:12 AM	2.6			
	Low	3:49 PM	0.5			
	High	10:14 PM	3.0			
Fri. 12	Low	4:29 AM	0.3	5:19 AM 8:23 PM	Set 9:36 AM Rise 11:41 PM	85
	High	10:56 AM	2.5			
	Low	4:27 PM	0.7			
	High	10:55 PM	2.9			
Sat. 13	Low	5:05 AM	0.4	5:19 AM 8:23 PM	Set 10:37 AM	78
	High	11:38 AM	2.6			
	Low	5:08 PM	0.7			
	High	11:38 PM	2.9			
Sun. 14	Low	5:43 AM	0.4	5:19 AM 8:24 PM	Rise 12:04 AM Set 11:38 AM	69
	High	12:20 PM	2.7			
	Low	5:59 PM	0.8			
Mon. 15	High	12:22 AM	2.8	5:19 AM 8:24 PM	Rise 12:26 AM Set 12:39 PM	60
	Low	6:27 AM	0.4			
	High	1:02 PM	2.7			
	Low	7:05 PM	0.8			
Tus. 16	High	1:09 AM	2.7	5:19 AM 8:24 PM	Rise 12:48 AM Set 1:43 PM	50
	Low	7:19 AM	0.4			
	High	1:47 PM	2.9			
	Low	8:16 PM	0.7			
Wed. 17	High	2:01 AM	2.7	5:19 AM 8:25 PM	Rise 1:12 AM Set 2:50 PM	40
	Low	8:16 AM	0.4			
	High	2:37 PM	3.0			
	Low	9:18 PM	0.6			
Thur. 18	High	2:59 AM	2.6	5:19 AM 8:25 PM	Rise 1:39 AM Set 4:01 PM	30
	Low	9:12 AM	0.3			
	High	3:32 PM	3.2			
	Low	10:16 PM	0.4			
Fri. 19	High	4:04 AM	2.7	5:19 AM 8:25 PM	Rise 2:11 AM Set 5:15 PM	20
	Low	10:06 AM	0.2			
	High	4:31 PM	3.4			
	Low	11:11 PM	0.2			
Sat. 20	High	5:07 AM	2.8	5:20 AM 8:26 PM	Rise 2:51 AM Set 6:30 PM	12
	Low	11:01 AM	0.1			
	High	5:29 PM	3.7			
Sun. 21	Low	12:06 AM	0.0	5:20 AM 8:26 PM	Rise 3:42 AM Set 7:41 PM	5
	High	6:06 AM	2.9			
	Low	11:57 AM	-0.1			
	High	6:24 PM	3.8			