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EAST END REPORT

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THIS WEEK'S BEST BET:

Things continue to be quiet along the east end, however that should all change once porgy and fluke season's debuts in a couple of weeks. Hopefully the Peconic Bay run of jumbo scup will come firing out of the barrel right from day one, which is Wednesday May 1st. In the meantime, bunker, herring and mackerel are all inside the Peconic Estuary which bodes well for the weeks ahead.

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At **Star Island Yacht Club**, John tells us all remains quiet with only a couple of boats in the water but no reporting back. Everyone is anticipating the opening of fluke and porgy season.

The shop is open every day from 7 A.M. to 5 P.M. and will be carrying all the inventory needed for a great season of fluke and porgy fishing. Don't forget that the 33rd Annual Star Island Shark Tournament is slated for Friday and Sat-

urday June 14 and 15 with the Captains Meeting Thursday June 13. For more info, call (631) 668-5052.

Chris Miller over at **Westlake Marina** reports the shop will be fully operational by May 2nd with all baits and tackle needed to slam those big stripers and fluke. Stay tuned for the latest fishing reports from Tonya, Chris and David.

Capt. Pete Casale of the **My Mate** is now booking inshore and offshore trips for the 2019 season and Capt. Pete does have availability for prime dates and can be reached at (917) 543-3115 to book a great trip.

Capt. Ron Onorato, of the **Captain Ron** reports the boat will be back fishing off Montauk mid-May for stripers and fluke. The captain will also be chartering trips for cod and sharks on Saturday's during July, August and September, while the other days will be devoted to stripers and bottom fishing. Book early at (516) 835-4910 before the prime dates are all filled.

Capt. Steve of **Top Hook Fishing Charters** reports he will begin by the start of fluke season and is now accepting reservations for the 2019 fishing season, specializing in inshore striper and bottom fishing as well as offshore shark trips. The captain also specializes in full moon elongated night trips using live eels. Now is the time to give a call at

(516) 658-6812 and secure your dates before they become booked.

Capt. Tom of the **Sea Wife IV** used the down time this week by finishing up some exterior and interior painting. Capt. Tom and Capt. Vern are ready to go and has upcoming dates available for cod and ling for the remainder of April as well as May. Give the captain a call at (631) 680-1025 and enjoy a great day on the water. Please note that the captain is also accepting bookings for the 2019 season and strongly suggest booking early as prime dates and weekend's book quickly.

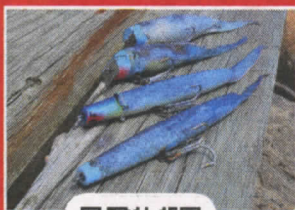
Capt. Kenny of the **My Joyce III** is now accepting reservations for the 2019 season specializing in both inshore and offshore fishing. Booking early is strongly suggested especially if the 2019 season is anything like the 2018 for just about all species. A call at (516) 641-2138 will seal the deal and a visit to the website www.myjoycefishing.com for details and up to the date reports.

Capt. Sal of **Moondance Charters** is getting ready for the season. People have started booking choice dates. Porgies will start sometime in May. Stripers start to appear in June. And for the last couple of years the end of June has seen the big stripers move in. If you are looking to fish July and August, please don't wait too long as dates are

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EEL-SKIN LURES

Skinning an eel and draping the skin over a plug may is an "old school" sharpie's technique for tempting striped bass in the surf, especially on those nights when fish seem to turn their nose up at all other offerings. Check out this exclusive "how-to" video with The Fisherman's Toby Lapinski.



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