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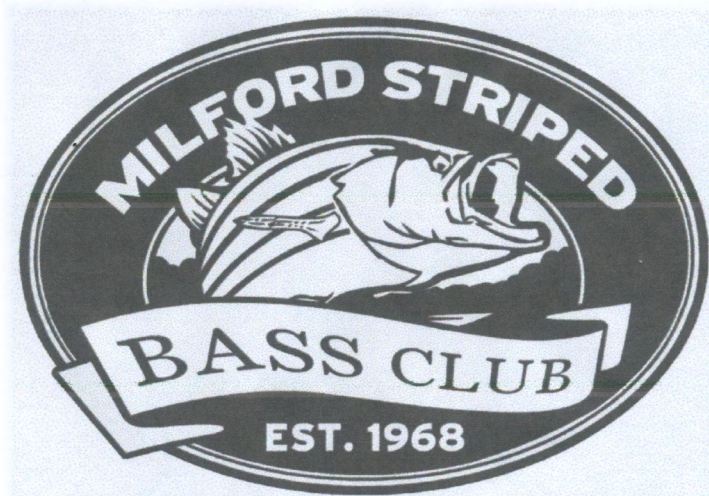
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**NEWSLETTER OF THE MILFORD STRIPED BASS CLUB**



**JANUARY 2018**

## General Meeting

This month's general meeting will be held at 7:30 PM, January 31th, 2018 at the American Legion Hall, Merwin Ave., Woodmont, CT.

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and Jim Pritchard

It's Your Newsletter!

Remember to give Harry Novak a call if you have something to put in the "Tite-Lines".

203-261-4361 or harryn321@charter.net

I am trying to get the news letter out via e-mail and would like to get your current e-mail addresses.

### Upcoming Events

1. Inerclub Awards Dinner  
January 26th, Vazzies Four Seasons  
Restaurant. 337 Kenyon St, Stratford,
2. General Meeting, January 31th, 2018  
7:30 PM, at the American Legion Hall,  
Merwin Av. Woodmont, CT
3. MSBC Awards Dinner, Feb. 10th,  
Birchwoods Banquet Facility, 1027  
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## President's Letter

Our first snow storm has come and gone which means we are getting just a little bit closer to spring. But before we get there we have some exciting things on the horizon. First on the agenda is the Interclub banquet. I am very pleased with the number of members and guests that we have attending. We have 50 on our list for the club. I hope that we surpass that for our awards banquet. Speaking of our awards banquet for those of you that haven't gotten the information our banquet is on February 10th. The banquet is being held at Birchwood's Banquet Facility 1027 Racebrook Road in Woodbridge. The event is from 6 to 9. Please contact Graham ASAP if you are planning to attend as we need to nail down the head count. You don't want to miss this one.

Also, coming up is our bowling night that John Nangle is planning, the details will be e-mailed as soon as we know them.

At our last board meeting after reviewing our expenses and future budget, we struggled with the decision to make a slight increase in our annual dues. They haven't gone up in many years, while our expenses, like insurance have gone up. The new dues are, individual, \$65.00, family membership, \$75.00, senior membership, \$35.00, senior family is \$45.00, and couple membership is \$75.00. The slight increase will put our budget back on track for 2018.

This year being our 50th anniversary we want to plan some new and exciting events. Anyone that has ideas or suggestions, or speakers for our meetings please let us know.

Thanks for your understanding the dues increase, because of your support, we are one of the best and most successful fishing clubs in the area!

Fish on! Jim





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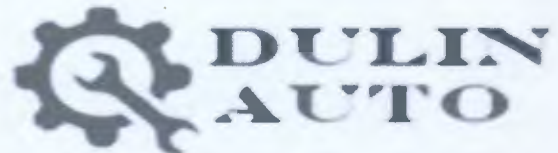
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# Striped Bass and Bluefish Love Eels

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Notice the eel laying between Bill's feet and Boston behind him.

Striped bass and bluefish love eels. A live eel swimming for the bottom doesn't last long when a striped bass or bluefish sees it. They just attack.

Bill uses a double bucket method of keeping eels alive. Because they secrete so much slime they will drown in it if left in a single bucket for too long. With a double bucket the one that holds the eels has holes drilled in the bottom and is stacked inside the second bucket to collect the slime. Add a little ice and a wet rag on top and the eels will keep.

Hook an eel with a circle hook through the lips and releasing a striper is much more effective. You can see the circle hook in the corner of the bass' mouth. Bluefish, on the other hand, just chop away at the eel often cutting it in half and killing it. When on the feed blues are the proverbial barbaric hoard chopping and slicing prey and leaving pieces floating.

I think the hardest hardest part about eel fishing is hooking them through the lips. They squirm more than any creature I know and having them ice cold helps slow them down for a moment. A towel helps hold them too. Still if you can't hook them quickly they have to go back on ice for awhile.

In the photo of Bill holding a big bass you can see the channel we were casting as the tide went out. We'd pitch the eels out into the current and reel them slowly back. The eels would dive toward the bottom, bass would see them and grab them. We'd let them take it for a moment and then tighten up the line without striking. The circle hook would find its way into the corner of the bass' mouth. What a fight!