



Striped bass tagged in RI by RISAA member turns up 13 years later

Fish sets new ALS record

The American Littoral Society (ALS) announced on November 2 that a striped bass tagged by R.I. Saltwater Anglers Association member **ED KEARNEY**



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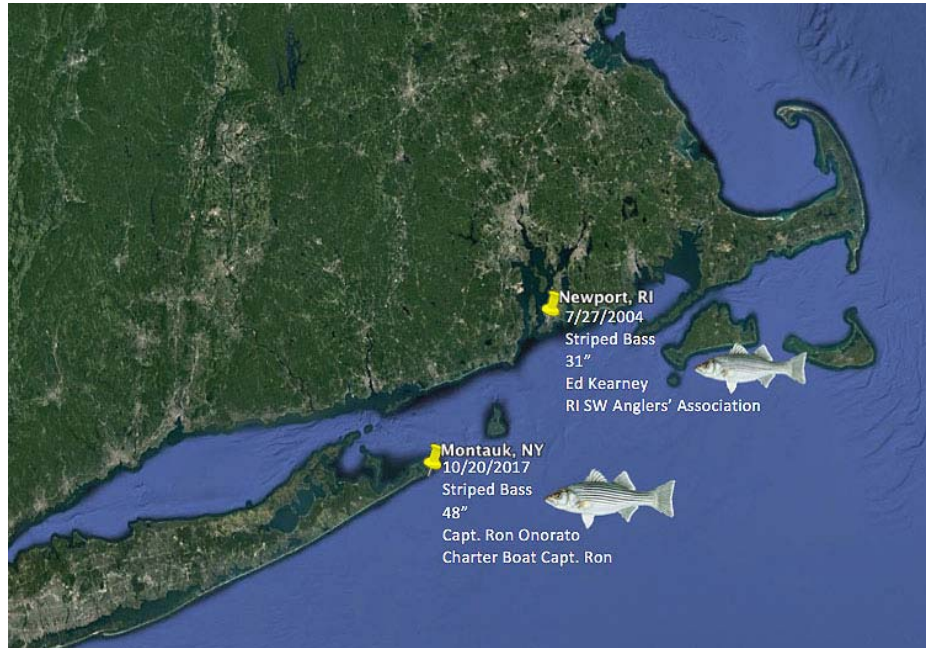
on July 27, 2004 has been recaptured off Montauk, NY on October 20, 2017..... thirteen years and three months later!

This broke the ALS record for “Time Out” and “Time At Large” for a tagged striped bass. The previous record held for many years at 11 years, 9 months.

When Kearney tagged and released the fish in 2004 he reported it at 31 inches.

The same tagged fish was recaptured in October by **Capt. Ron Onorato** fishing aboard his boat, *Capt. Ron*, out of Montauk. He released the fish in good condition. It now measured 48 inches. No weight was taken in an effort to get the fish back in the water as soon as possible.

Using a striped bass grown chart compiled by Maryland DNR Fisheries, Ed’s 31 inch fish was approximately 8 years old when he tagged it, making it 21 years old today!



RISAA members can also get involved in tagging fish by contacting Bob Murray, coordinator of the RISAA Tag & Release Program. Thanks to a grant from the RI Saltwater Anglers Foundation, tagging kits are provided to members at no cost. Tagging kits are available at most of the RISAA monthly seminars or by contacting Bob Murray by email at murray@risaa.org

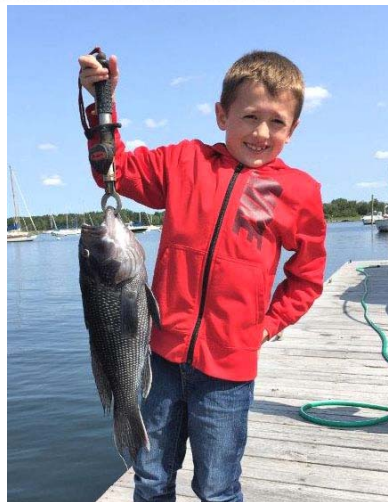
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DAVID GARZOLI

with a 12 pound bluefish that he landed in early August off the center wall at Point Judith.



8 Year Old Junior Member AIDEN BELTRAMI

Aiden displays the 3.75 lb black sea bass that he caught on August 26 while fishing on his grandpa **Brian Beltrami**’s boat. The fish currently holds 2nd Place in the Junior Division of the RISAA Yearlong Tournament