

# HOOK, LINE & SINKER

### FISH AND PLAY THE SENIOR ANGLER WAY

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### Fish Tales from Your President's Perspective.

August is that time of year when things start heating up, including the fishing. At least that is what I have been told. I want to start August off with a note about July. Wow what a great month it was. That was some awfully good smoked marlin and dip Jeff made up at the meeting, thanks so much. Our second picnic of the year was awesome. **Brenda McQueen, John Jessup, Ron Quinlan and Ron Parker** and everyone involved did such a good job. Did I mention the marinara sauce? I am working on bribing Brenda for the recipe. I know it's a while away but I am so looking forward to our Fall Feast.

As for fishing, you had to try it to believe it. Saltwater was heating up, those of you into Bass had a resurgence of bites and the sizes of the Crappie coming out of some of the lakes were huge. I was in San Diego bay twice with some not quite legal bass that were a whole lot of fun. Funny thing was I was fishing for Halibut. Maybe I should have fished for Bass, and then I would have caught some Halibut, Oh well.

I am actually writing this on July 27 and missing our Catfish Challenge. I had planned on going but got stuck doing some not so fun work and ran out of time. I hope everyone up there has an awesome time; the weather is beautiful. Good luck all!

As for the rest of August, Dixon will have a catfish plant on July 28 and again later in August. Hodges is still biting strong with no boats allowed but kayaks and float tubes ok. Wohlford got 750 pounds of catfish in also. The eastern sierras are reporting lots of water still in all the streams with very good fishing all around. Another native cutthroat was caught in June Lake. See, Ron Parker's wasn't a fluke. Sure makes our June Lake trip look mighty inviting in September but I'm getting ahead of myself. I will be heading to El Capitan next week and hoping for a boatload of crappie and some bass pictures. I will also be back down in the bay to try my luck again.









### Fish Tales from Your President's Perspective Continued

The tuna boats are coming back with some good fish counts of reasonable size fish. Let's see how **Jim Stevenson** did at the Rocas Alijos (Alijos Rocks). From the initial reports it sounds like another successful trip. For those of you who missed our last meeting you missed some wonderful filets that he gave out.

We have lots of activities planned for the rest of the year. Look for something that you would like to join in on. We would love to see you out and about.

Invite a friend, acquaintance or total stranger to our next club meeting on August 11.

Paul Lorson
President

### **PROGRAMS**

August Speaker: Lucky Ketcham, San Diego Fly Fishers

Lucky grew up in the small town of Otisville in the Catskill Mountains of upstate New York. As a youngster, he loved to turn over rocks to catch and study aquatic insects and learned to fly fish on the nearby Neversink and Delaware Rivers. His fascination with the natural world led to his BS degree in Invertebrate Zoology. Lucky is a long-time member of the San Diego Fly Fishers (SDFF) and the Golden State Fly Casters clubs. He has been teaching the weekly SDFF fly tying class for the past 13 years. He enjoys fishing in both salt and fresh water while targeting different species and visiting many bodies of water in and around San Diego County. He has fly fished for trout extensively in the Green and Provo Rivers in Utah, and in the Big Horn and other waters around Yellowstone National Park. Professionally he worked for the San Diego County Department of Environmental Health for 30 years. The last 15 years he served as a Senior Vector Ecologist studying how various animal species such as mosquitoes, rats and other vectors transmit infectious diseases to humans.

**Bill Modi**Programs

# **FRESHWATER**

#### **UPCOMING CAMPOUTS**

June Lake—September 17-24

Wagon Masters: Al and Colleen Wilson

If you have any questions contact Colleen or Albert at 760-310-3750.

Santee Lakes—November 5-10

**Wagon Masters: Tony and Monique Smock** 

If you have any questions contact Monique at 760-703-4657

### MORE FRESHWATER

### CATFISH CHALLENGE

The night Catfish Challenge started out very hot but was beautiful after sun went down. There were four of us in the Challenge: **Hank Skaja**, **John Jessup**, **Ron Bloom** and me. Thanks to Hank for reserving the pontoon boat for us.

We had no action until after the sun went down. Hank was the first to hook up to a catfish, which I knocked off trying to net it (hey, got to keep the competition down). I was next to hook up to a 2 lb. catfish.



Around 9 pm we noticed a strange bubbling noise coming from the rear of the boat. It was also settling in the rear and we decided to head back to the dock. I called the challenge void and returned money to the participants.

Keep on fishing but be cautious with this heat,

Al Wilson
Freshwater Vice President

## **SALTWATER**

August is here. **Rich Bruemmer** has made plans for another Pronto trip (see the next page for details) and Cheryl has surf trips scheduled.

I went on a Rancho Bernardo trip on Tuesday, July 25, 5:30 am to 5:30 pm. Unfortunately, the captain couldn't find any fish and the trip ended with only two fish caught, one bluefin and one yellowfin. Hopefully, the next two RB trips will do better.

I will miss the August meeting as I will be on a fishing trip to Ketchikan, Alaska. See you all in September.

Saltwater Vice President

# ON SHORE FISHING

We had one of our best outings on July 31 at Carlsbad Lagoon. There were only three anglers plus **Frank Mancha's** grandson Jaxon Hilbert.

Frank, with the help of Jax, was the first to catch a fish and went on to catch three bass and one yellow croaker. The bass weren't of legal size but the croaker was a keeper.



Jim Davidson caught six fish including bass and one yellow Croaker weighing in at 1 lb. 04 oz. The croaker was the biggest fish of the outing. I had five bass with one weighing in at .98 lb. I also caught an undersized halibut and a nice size stingray. The stingray gave me quite a fight. We probably lost as many as we caught. The bait of the day was frozen anchovies.





We were visited by two Game Wardens checking our fishing licenses. Very nice wardens who now have Game Warden printed on their sleeves and "Police" printed on the back of their uniforms. I asked about it and they said that they were Game Wardens but are legally Police too and this was something new added to their uniforms. This was the third time I've been asked for my license at the Lagoon. A good reminder to always have your fishing license with you when fishing.

Our August outing is tentatively scheduled for August 21. Information will come by e-mail.

**Cheruf Brandstrom**On-Shore Chairperson

# PRONTO SALTWATER FISHING TRIP

# DATE:September 12, 2023

**Chartermaster – Rich Bruemmer** 

Morning of Charter - Cell: 760 212-9064

Pre-trip Questions - Home: 760-749-8239

COST: \$121.00

TIME: 7:00am – 4:00pm

Be at dock 6:00am for check-in and loading Boat leaves promptly at 7:00am

Meet at the Pronto Dock - Oceanside Sea Center

No Galley on-board boat
Bring own food and drink
Small ice chests are allowed
The Pronto is a smaller fishing boat please limit what you bring aboard
Poles, Small Tackle Box, Small Ice Chest etc.
Live Bait will be provided
Fishing License Required

Call Rich with Questions 760-749-8239

# **COMMUNITY EVENTS**

It looks like the Anglers will be making their mark in Escondido this Fall. We start with the Escondido Grape Day Festival on September 9. Grape Day is one of the big opportunities to grow our club with lots of people turning out for this Escondido tradition. We will have a booth, and we will need a couple of people at a time to talk up the club. I'm thinking about a new feature with a small display of really old fishing tackle; I know there are some really old fishermen out there who could help out. There will be a signup sheet at the August Meeting; just save Saturday, September 9, for a couple hours under the shade trees.

Also developing: a new incarnation of Youth Day. Orange Glen High School has secured funding to help introduce first time fisher-people to an activity that precedes the great American pastime (Go Padres). We will be able to work with volunteers from the school, and Dixon Lake, to get support for this endeavor. What is needed are people to help teach some basic knot tying, rig management, and fish handling. This event includes a little time in a rental boat to help reach the hot spot of the day. The East Escondido Group has already set up three ocean trips. We are still figuring out the best date to hold this event where there will be a good chance to catch some fish. It will probably be October or November.

Finally, the Dixon Lake Fishing Derby and Kiddie Pond is shaping up. More details are to come but it is usually the first week December. This event is ALWAYS a blast. We will need volunteers on the Senior Pier to help with kids, and other folks to man the scale and record book for the fishing derby. Bring an appetite! The derby draws from all of Southern California, and the Kiddie Pond ... just as far. There is nothing like seeing these youngest of fishermen get hooked on fishing.



Gary Beckman

Community Events

# ON THE LIGHTSIDE





I hate it when
I see some old
person and then
realize we went
to high school
together.



Submitted by John Tester

Submitted by Tony Smock

# **CLUB EVENTS**



### **SUMMER PICNIC**











# **SUNSHINE**

We were so sorry to hear that our friend Colleen Wilson fell and broke a bone in her leg. Larry Pall had surgery. We're wishing both a quick recovery.

### **DID YOU KNOW?**

In the month of August (named after Caesar Augustus) this year we'll have three special moons.

August 1: Super (Sturgeon) Full Moon August 16: Micro New Moon August 31: Super Blue Moon.

**Joann Jauert**Sunshine

# **OUR CATCHES**



Jim Stevenson Back from his 7 day trip

### LARGE FISH 2023

Freshwater Class I - **Tony Smock** with a 7 lb. 8 oz. Rainbow Trout

Freshwater Class II— **John Tester** with a 9 lb. 6 oz. Rainbow Trout

### **MEMBERSHIP**

### FISHING FOODIES

Our Fishing Foodie winner for the \$25 gift card to The Golden Egg Omelet House was **Cathy Diaz**.



I heard that there was a good turn out and the meal was enjoyed by all.

The Fishing Foodie \$25 Gift card for August will be to The Olive Garden. Come join us for Lunch after the meeting.

### OPPORTUNITY DRAWING

The July Opportunity Drawing winners were:

Ron Bloom Dawn Schultz
Linda Ogilvie Joan Madison
Charles Ogilvie Nicky Lovejoy
Cindy Bruemmer Mike Diaz
Jeff Routsong

I would like to give a BIG thank you to **Betty Allen** for doing such a wonderful
job taking over my membership duties at

the last meeting. We had the largest turn-out of the year, so far.



To our new members:



Harold and K. Day Lange and Doug and Adriana Paulson

8/01 Mary Brenda McQueen 8/07 **Jeff Routsong** 8/07 **Anitra Gehrke** 8/08 **Josephine Tester** 8/08 **Sharon Ayo** 8/10 Karen Kirchnavy 8/11 **Larry Cusack** 8/11 **Carol Duke** 8/12 John Perdue 8/18 **Monique Smock** 8/23 Marge Lovelady Lawrence (Bud) McKellar 8/25 8/27 Alice Lage 8/27 Randy Brown 8/27 **Mark Bauer** 8/29 Joann Jauert 8/30 Linda Ogilvie



8/03 Henry & Janet Skaja 8/08 John & Josephine Tester Jerry Watanabe & Daria 8/15 Gardynik 8/23 Mike & Cathy Diaz 8/23 **Brian & Dawn Schultz** 8/26 Dan & Patti Engelbrecht 8/27 Larry & Betty Allen 8/27 Gerald & Natalia Graf

Linda Perdue

Membership Director

# CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2023

	June 7	Club BBQ - Lake Dixon	Club Event
	June 9	Board and General Meeting - Hubbs-Sea World Research	
		Institute	
	June 20	Pronto Fishing Trip	Saltwater
	June 26	On Shore Fishing	Saltwater
	July14	Board and General Meeting - The Firehouse Chef	
	July19	Summer Picnic—Lake Dixon	Club Event
*	July 26	CPR/AED Class -Cancelled	Club Event
*	July 27	Catfish Challenge—Dixon Lake	Freshwater
*	July 31	On Shore Fishing—Carlsbad Lagoon	Saltwater
*	Aug 11	Board and General Meeting - San Diego Fly Fishers	
*	Aug 21	On Shore Fishing	Saltwater
	Aug 29	Time Out Tuesday	Club Event
	Sept 8	Board and General Meeting	
	Sept 12	Pronto Saltwater Trip	Saltwater
	Sept 17-24	June Lake Campout	Freshwater Camping
**	Oct 5-10	Cabo Trip	Saltwater
	Oct 13	Board and General Meeting	
	Oct	Fall Feast	Club Event
	Oct 13	Board and General Meeting	
*	Nov 5-10	Santee Lakes Campout	Freshwater Camping
	Nov 17	Board and General Meeting	
*	Dec 2	Awards Banquet and Holiday Party	Club Event
	Dec 8	2023 and 2024 Board Member Meeting	-



Senior Anglers of Escondido Mailing address and meeting place:

Park Avenue Community Center Home of Escondido Senior Center c/o Senior Anglers of Escondido 210 PARK Ave. Escondido, CA 92025

General Meeting: 9:30 AM 2nd Friday of the month





### LARGE FISH DOCUMENTATION

Member Name	Phone No				
Identify Species (common name) and attach a picture					
Weight (lb. and oz)	Date Caught				
Location (place and body of water	r)State				
Signature	Witness				
Category	How Verified				
1 Salt Water Class I	1 Club Scale				
2 Salt Water Class II	2 Club Approved Scale				
3 Surf Class I	Belongs to				
4 Surf Class II	3 Boat/Lake Scale				
5 Fresh Water Class I	4. Measurement				
	Length				
6 Fresh Water Class II	Girth				
NOTE: A Class I trip is club Sponsored A Class II trip is not Club Sponsored					
Billfish, Sharks, Rays, Black Sea Bass and other protected species will not be considered. Carp will be considered only for the largest fish of the species.					
Largest fish of the outing ( )					
Larg	gest fish of the month ( )				
Larg	gest fish of the year ( )				
	gest fish of it's species ( )				
Larg	est rish of it's species ( )				
Notes or additional information.					
Return the completed form to the appropriate Vice President by the end of the month.					

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