



Senior Anglers of Escondido

December 2008 Issue

President's Message

Ron Parker, President



"Ron's Rhetoric"



The November Board of Director's (BOD) Meeting and the General meeting were not as I expected; however, they were productive, informative, and fun. Looking back at our meetings this past year, I would say that any meetings that fit these criteria would be considered as satisfactory meetings. Let me briefly review the November 21st meetings, and I think you'll see what I'm trying to get across. The BOD showed up and most members were in a very good mood, as they normally are, and ready to conduct business. The meeting went smoothly, and we accomplished everything on the agenda, barely, as time is always an issue, and they were ready to kick us out of the room. We adjourned the meeting and headed for the auditorium to get ready for the General Meeting. Bob Lage's phone rang and in a moment he asked to talk to me. The speaker for today's meeting had a medical emergency so we had to change our agenda, slightly? I had a little talk with some of the BOD members and asked that they spend a little extra time in each of their responsibilities, address some of the details, thus filling the gap for the absent speaker. This group of leaders jumped at the chance and we had one of the most informative and fun meetings of the year. Thanks guys and gals; you are a special group!

Our Nomination Committee headed by Past President Carl Arnold came up with a slate of officers for the 2009 Year. This slate was formally announced to the membership and nominations from the floor were requested. After a brief period the motion to accept the nominations was made, seconded and a vote brought forth a unanimous decision. We have a 2009 BOD that is the same as 2008. Most members said they have started projects and want to see them finished. I am a very lucky President, this is an outstanding BOD and they can be proud of their accomplishments, and I'm so looking forward to working with them next year. We also had more than ninety members present, a record for this year, and membership Director Minerva Martinez announced a 30% growth in membership for the year. Good job everyone, and I hope this increase continues so more can join in our fun. Do your part and bring in some more good people. Also I want to thank all that contributed to our Bake Sale this meeting. It too was a big success and thanks to Karen Entwistle for the idea and for chairing this event. Every time you look around we have different people taking charge and heading up our various events. This is another example of it being your club and you make the difference.

Our VP of Fresh Water, Dave Martinez found another super camping/fishing area, and it's less than two hours from home. Lake Hemet is located just below the mountain town of Idlewild, at 4,500 feet. The lake there is approximately 500 acres. I won't go into details but fifteen units tried out this camping spot in early November and we had a great time, caught plenty of trout, and thanks to Wagon Masters Sandy & Dave, the campfires were super, and as always the food and programs were superb. I think this campout turned out so well that it may turn into a regular on our schedule. Check with Dave's trip report.

Dotty & Carl have been working on our Banquet for months, and we need to acknowledge their efforts. I was looking at the agenda and boy do we have a lot of people to recognize this year. I can't wait! With the banquet being held at the Escondido Country Club, the atmosphere including a massive fireplace, some mood music, a nice taste of the vine, great dinner, awards, prizes, and who knows what else the Arnolds have planned, suggests that everything's on pace for one super evening. This is one event of the year you shouldn't miss. If you can't go this year for one reason or another make sure to keep the Awards Banquet date open for 2009. It's a winner!

Activities & schedules for 2009. – The planning for 2009 has begun. It may only be in the preliminary stages but the BOD is already asking for suggestions and looking into making a list of possible activities and locations to explore. If you have any ideas or requests, find the right BOD and give him or her a call. If you don't know who to see, give me a buzz, and I'll find you the right person to talk to. Keep in mind we are attempting to make communication easy and information very clear. Our major source, besides the general meetings, for doing this is, our newsletter and our website. Our newsletter comes out every month, and you are notified by e-mail that the download is available, or it can be found on the website "www.senioranglersofescondido.net," or you can have it send by snail mail. All of the monthly newsletters for the current year are available on the website. We have plenty of photos of our various events and other interesting photos on the website. A composite of our yearly schedule of activities is also on the website. If you haven't used it in the past, try it next year. I think you'll find it informative and fun to check out. We will be having a naming contest for our newsletter next year with a nice prize to the winner. Look for details in the December newsletter. Another major source for information is our annual membership directory. Membership Director Minerva has been working on the directory input, and is also making a format change that will be easier to use. We are planning to have a photo of each member. If you haven't had one taken at the meeting, send a portrait to Minerva for inclusion in the directory. Minerva is hoping to have the new directory ready for the January's meeting.

At this time I would like to thank all of our membership for a very successful and fun 2008. I hope you all have a very Merry Christmas, a Happy Holiday Season, and a safe New Year. Enjoy your family and friends and come back to our club meetings ready to have some fun, and plan on getting involved. I know once you get on a committee and work with some of our fishing experts you will want to do more. I did, and I'm having a ball. Remember, fish hard, fish often and have a wonderful time on the water.

Catch you later,

Ron

What do you get if you cross a trout with an apartment?
A flat fish!

Programs

Bob Lage, Program Director

Our general meetings are held the third Friday of the month from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Jan 16 th	Fishing at Queen Charlotte with dual speakers: Ronnie Kovach, television host of <i>Fishing Ventures</i> and Valerie and Ron Hoperich owners/operators of <i>Queen Charlotte Safaris</i>
Feb 20 th	Mitchell Perdue, Senior Biologist with the Naval Systems Engineering Command, San Diego
Mar 20 th	TBD
Apr 17 th	Ernie Cowan, <i>North County Times</i> writer of <i>Fishing and Hunting Outdoors</i> weekly column

January Program

We are most fortunate to book great speakers for our January 16th Senior Anglers meeting. They are Ron Kovach, television host of *Fishing Ventures*, and Valerie and Ron Hoperich, owners/operators of Queen Charlotte Safaris, a first class fishing resort located in British Columbia. They will not only educate us on fishing for salmon, halibut, ling cod, and yellow eye snapper at Queen Charlotte, but hearing about their luxurious accommodations but will be very entertaining as well. This will be an informative and exciting program. They will be willing to answer questions on fishing accommodations in other parts of British Columbia and Alaska.

Bob

Public Relations

Sharon Martineau, Public Relations Director

I want to say a big thank you to all that have helped with articles from the newspaper, and those that helped with the ads for the directory. We hope that this next year will be another great year for the Senior Anglers. If you are new or old members, get active and help with a project in the club, or just come camping with the Fresh Water group. There is nothing better than a good camp-out and fishing with friends! See you all in January 2009.

Sharon

Derby Scoreboard Presentation

By Ron Parker, President

Presenting the Derby Scorecard to the City Supervisor of Park Rangers, Tony Smock, prior to the Escondido Trout Derby in November 2008



Pictured: Park Ranger Supervisor Tony Smock, Wil Cozzens, Ron Parker and Ron Casapulla.

Recently the Senior Anglers of Escondido presented a new Derby Scorecard to the city of Escondido for use at the Trout Derbies at Lake Dixon. The Senior Anglers of Escondido designed, funded, and had this sign built by All Star Sign Company. The committee responsible for this project was headed by Ron Casapulla, Wil Cozzens, and Ron Parker. It will be used in all Trout Derbies held at Lake Dixon in Escondido.

Ron

Membership

Minvera Martinez, Membership Director

Welcome! *New Members*

Frank & Jan Bigelbach
Escondido, CA

Bernie & Beverly Rubalcaba
Escondido, CA

Don & Jan Bowyer
Fallbrook, CA

Tom & Marty Tiedman
Escondido, CA

Charlotte Heath
San Marcos, CA

Happy Anniversary! *November Anniversaries*

29th Dan & Wendy Hunter (*Ooops, this should have been in November's issue!*)

December Anniversaries

1 st Joe & Sandra Matalavage	21 st Jerome & Christine Nava
15 th Rudy & Louellyn Fritz	22 nd Dick & Peggy McSpadden
16 th Henry & Betty Lewis	23 rd Tom & Marty Tiedeman
18 th Donald & Rawanda Taylor	

Happy Birthday! *December Birthdays*

6 th Marvin Van Voorst	18 th Jerry Porter
8 th Sam Ostrow	18 th Don Bowyer
8 th Lily Aquilina	23 rd Glen Yaukey
10 th David Haven	24 th David Martinez
10 th Genie Woods	24 th Rita Miller
11 th Terry Thielen	25 th Billy Matthews
12 th Carol Parker	27 th Susan Conner
14 th Edward Kearey	29 th Willus Nowell
14 th Nora Potter	31 st Rudy Fritz
16 th Paul Sebourn	31 st Anna Hoving
17 th Larry Allen	31 st Bob Posten

A friendly reminder to our members...we need your membership data up-to-date, your membership dues paid, and a photo for whosoever desires to have it included in the directory, by December 30th. We would like to have the directories available for the January meeting.

Please update me on any spelling corrections or changes to your mailing address, e-mail address, or phone numbers since last year's directory was published. I prefer to have the pictures and any corrections e-mailed to Minerva Martinez. Thanks!

Minerva

Youth Fish-Out

Youth Fishing Day is coming up on Saturday, Feb. 21, 2009. This is the day that we anglers take 20 enthusiastic kids ranging in age from 9-12 fishing at Lake Dixon. After fishing and hiking, we then serve up a delicious lunch for the kids, counselors, and all adults. It starts at 8am and is over by 1 pm. Get involved and join the fun. There will be a get-together on Jan 5th at Tom Martinez's house at 10:00 a.m. to make sure the fishing poles are in good shape. Please join us to prepare the fishing poles...you don't need to bring anything with you, just yourself.

Dave

Newsletter Naming Contest

Karen Entwistle, Correspondence Secretary

Ron Parker wants to give our newsletter a name! So he's decided to ask for your help in coming up with a name for our newsletter. Think about some good ideas for names for our newsletter, and submit your suggestions to us at the January meeting. The top names will be submitted to the Board of Directors for a vote. We will announce the winning name at the February meeting. There will be a prize for the person who submits the winning name.

Karen

Sunshine Report

Alice Lage, Sunshine Director

Three members with December surgeries:

John Rushing had surgery December 2nd. It went well but he had to miss the Christmas dinner.

Al Green is scheduled for full shoulder replacement on December 16. He also has knee surgery scheduled after the 1st of the year.

Floyd Lamb is scheduled for upper spine/neck surgery on December 16.

We wish them all well and will have an update for the January Newsletter.

Alice

Salt Water Fishing

Barbara Gattuso, Salt Water Vice President

The Bait and Tackle store is going out of business and having a 50% off sale. It's located at the S.E. corner of Valley Pkwy. and Rose St. (shopping ctr). Tell Bob (owner) that Barbara sent you. Please pass this along.

Barb

2008 Awards Banquet

Carl & Dottie Arnold, Co-ordinators

The awards banquet was held December 2nd, 2008 in the fireside room at the Escondido Country Club. The event was chaired by Carl and Dottie Arnold. Many compliments were received and appreciated, for a well presented banquet. Everyone appeared to enjoy themselves. The food was very good and there was plenty of it. The piano music that was provided was excellent. Each couple and single person received a wrapped Christmas gift. The raffles for cash and See's candy certificates were also appreciated and fun. There were 78 people in attendance and many deserved awards were given out.

Dottie

2008 Awards Banquet

Report by Ron Parker



The 2008 Awards Banquet recognized many Senior Anglers of Escondido on the eve of December the 2nd. The Wagon Masters that organized and managed the seven different RV Fishing Trips were given gift cards and certificates of appreciation. Major event chairpersons were also given gift cards and certificates. These were the people who organized and orchestrated the various picnics and the club sponsored events. The Fish Fry, Italian Feast, Turkey Fry, and BBQ were among those honored as well as the chairpersons for the Fundraiser, Youth Day at the Lake, Trout Derby's, Awards Banquet and the Bake Sale. The above activities take a lot of time and effort from the leaders of each event and countless number of people who volunteer to help in each of our activities.

Trophies were presented to the winner of the largest fresh water fish Class I, a 7 lb. 3 oz. rainbow trout and Class II, a 6 lb. 10 oz. rainbow trout, David Martinez. David had a great year fishing, and took both major awards for freshwater. The Trophy for the winner of the largest saltwater Class II fish was Bill Borst with a 77 lb. halibut.



The Trophy for the **Woman Angler of the Year** award was presented to our VP of Salt Water, Barbara Gatusso. Great job this year Barbara; you deserved this distinguished award.

The Founders Award, which is awarded annually to the member or members who have voluntarily contributed their efforts to serving and improving the Senior Anglers of Escondido, was given to Karen and Bill

Kirchnavy. This couple is always helping and giving of their time to our club....another of our well deserved winners of this major award.

Also introduced and honored was the 2008 Board of Directors. At the end of the awards, the 2009 Board of Directors were introduced and sworn in by one of our Founder's Award winners, Bill Kirchnavy. This club is very lucky to have a hard working group of men and woman who represent the Board of Directors. Thanks to all of you who make this club run smoothly and offer so many diverse activities.

A fun evening was had by all, and thanks to the Arnolds for organizing this event. What a beautiful room to celebrate our awards banquet and start the holiday season. We appreciate the effort and unselfish work our members demonstrated this year, and want to thank each and everyone.

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Bake Sale Fundraiser

Karen Entwistle, Co-ordinator

At our November meeting, we had a great Bake Sale silent auction. The members overdid themselves by bringing 48 delicious baked items for sale, such as cookies, pies, and cakes. The club raised close to \$280 at the sale. We even had a couple of members make donations without taking home any of the sale items. Thanks, Senior Anglers!

Karen

Fresh Water Report

David Martinez, Fresh Water Vice President

Lake Cahuilla Jan. 19th – 23rd 2009

This is our first freshwater outing of the year, and in the years past we have always had a good time. Weather is generally mild during the day and cool in the evening. This is near Palm Springs in the La Quinta area. Fishing has been good, with trout, bass and catfish. If you are thinking of going, **MAKE YOU OWN RESERVATIONS NOW!** The campground maybe full due to the fact snowbird campers from Canada spend the winter months there. Wagon Masters are **George & Minerva Martinez** with Assist. Larry & Betty Allen. If you have any questions give them a call. Reservations # 1-800-234-7275 or www.riversidecountyparks.org

Lake Morena Feb 23rd - 27th 2009

This campout has turned out to be very popular with club members. The last count for members attending are 30 rigs. Yes 30, which means 60 people. So if I were you, I would make reservations, just to make sure you get the spot you want. This lake has been very productive to us the last couple of years we have gone. Some of the largest fish caught on our outings have come from Lake Morena. Last year the winning jackpot was a 7lb. 3oz. trout. The lake also has bass and catfish. Wagon Masters are **Armond & Sharon Martineau** with Assist. Norm & Cathy Martineau. Any questions give them a call. Reservations # 1-877-656-3600 or www.sdparcs.org.

On the following page I am including a copy of our “Trip Report” used for each outing. We will be discussing the use of it at the next general meeting.

David

**SENIOR ANGLERS OF ESCONDIDO
TRIP REPORT**

DATE(S) _____ WEIGH IN TIME _____
 WAGONMASTER or CHARTER MASTER _____
 (Club Member, if Class II)
 LOCATION (Name of Ocean Boat, Lake, River or Stream) _____

 JACKPOT WINNER _____
 JACKPOT FISH _____ WEIGHT _____
 SPECIES RECORD FISH _____ WEIGHT _____
 CLASS II FISH _____ WEIGHT _____
 (Fish caught on non-club sponsored outing)

	FISH CAUGHT	QUANTITY
*SPECIES		
1	_____	_____
2	_____	_____
3	_____	_____
4	_____	_____
5	_____	_____
6	_____	_____

CHARTER MASTER, WAGONMASTER OR WEIGH IN PERSON'S SIGNATURE.
 SIGN HERE _____ TITLE _____

For Class II fish have a responsible individual sign for charter master, eg,
 Park Ranger or weigh in person, (who is not a club member)

VP FRESHWATER OR SALT WATER SIGNATURE _____
 (Submit to Historian)

**Specie:* designate the kind of bass, trout, catfish, salmon, tuna, etc.
Club Sponsored Trips are those organized at club meetings by Club
 Officers/appointed Chairpersons at which members sign-up to participate in the trip.
 For purposes of Club records & awards, there shall be only two classes as follows:

Class 1: All fish caught in fresh or salt bodies of water by members on *Club
 Sponsored Trips* anywhere in the world providing said Specie is "a legal catch" from
 water where caught. ***Fish caught in saltwater on troll do not qualify.***

Class 2: Same as for *Class 1* except trip is *Not Club Sponsored.*

Trophy Awards: There shall be only four (4) as follows:

	Fresh Water	Salt Water
Largest fish caught during the yr. Class 1	Yes	Yes
Largest fish caught during the yr. Class 2	Yes	Yes

Club Specie Record: Club Historian shall record all Specie certificates submitted *if it
 is the first for that Specie.* Any current Specie Record shall be deleted & replaced by
 a new Specie certificate that shows a larger weight. Thus, it is so recorded & there
 shall be NO Trophy.

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Lake Hemet Trip Report

By David Martinez



Our Lake Hemet trip turned out to be a success. Thirteen rigs showed up, plus we had some members come up for the day. Weather was windy with some rain the first day there, but to be honest with you, for the month of November, and staying at an elevation of 4000 ft. I think we did good. This being our first time up there, we were taken by the beauty of the lake and

surrounding mountains and trees. Campsites were big, and plenty of room for your rigs to pull in with no problems. We later found out that you can

camp on the shoreline of the lake. (No hookups) All in all, we all had a great time. Fishing turned out to be good. Many anglers limited out, with a total of 55 trout caught. The largest fish and jackpot winner was a 1 lb. .69 oz. trout by Warren Estes. Many members are thinking about next year, and maybe camping on the shoreline or on the peninsula, depending on the weather. Those of you who were unable to attend this outing, you missed out.



David




At the Lake Hemet outing, the Senior Angler women put their sewing and quilting skills to work for charity. Sandy Martinez, Karen Kirchnavy, Nora Potter, Nat Estes, Carmen Martinez, Karen Taylor, Betty Allen and Wendy Hunter worked on 12 "Cuddle Quilts" for the children at the Violence

Intervention Program at the Los Angeles County Hospital. This project was not only a worthy cause, but a fun one as well.

Mark Your Calendar

Senior Anglers of Escondido Activities

<i>4</i>	<i>When</i>	<i>Where</i>		<i>Description</i>
	2008			
✓	Jan 21-25	Lake Cahuilla		Freshwater Campout
✓	Feb 23	Lake Dixon		Youth Fishout
✓	Feb 25-29	Lake Morena		Freshwater Campout
✓	Apr 10	Lake Dixon		Pasta & Sausage Picnic
✓	Apr 13-14	San Clemente Island		Saltwater Fishing
✓	Apr 20-27	Lake Lopez		Freshwater Campout
✓	Apr 26-27	Lake Dixon		Escondido Fishing Derby
✓	May 7	Lake Dixon		Fish Fry
✓	May 25-26	San Clemente Island		Saltwater Fishing
✓	Jun 2-6	Lake Cuyamaca		Freshwater Campout
✓	Jun 16	Local or Mexican waters		Saltwater Fishing
✓	Jun 25	Lake Wohlford		Picnic
✓	Jun 27-Jul 4	Homer, AK		Saltwater Fishng
✓	Jun 30	Local or Mexican waters		Saltwater Fishing
✓	Jul 20-22	Local or Mexican waters		Tuna Fishing
✓	Aug 10-12	Local or Mexican waters		Tuna Fishing
✓	Sep 9-16	June Lake		Freshwater Campout
✓	Sep 28-30	Local or Mexican waters		Tuna Fishing
✓	Oct 6-10	Lake Cuyamaca		Freshwater Campout
✓	Oct 22	Tomas & Carmen Martinez's		Turkey Fry & Silent Auction
✓	Oct 27	Local or Mexican waters		Saltwater Fishing
✓	Nov 3-7	Lake Morena		Freshwater Campout
✓	Nov 8-11	Lake Dixon		Escondido Annual Trout Derby
✓	Nov 8-13	San Jose del Cabo		Saltwater Fishing
✓	Dec 2	Escondido Country Club		Christmas Banquet
	2009			
	Jan 19-23	Lake Cahuilla		Freshwater Campout
	Feb 22	Lake Dixon		Youth Fishing Day
	Feb 23-26	Lake Morena		Freshwater Campout
	Apr 19-25	Lopez Lake		Freshwater Campout
	Jun 1-5	Pinezanita/Cuyamaca		Freshwater Campout
	Sep 9-16	June Lake		Freshwater Campout
	Oct 19-23	Pinezanita/Cuyamaca		Freshwater Campout
	Nov 2-6	Lake Hemet		Freshwater Campout

