



HOOK LINE & SINKER

From the President's Pole

Here it is the "dead of winter", it is 70 to 80 degrees outside, yellowtail and some tuna are still around. Our local lakes are kicking out some whoppers; the East Coast is suffering severe snow storms and very cold weather. Gee, where would you want to be??

Club members just returned from Lake Cahuilla. Be sure to come to our meeting on February 13th and hear about the one that got away. Speaking of club activities our **Italian Festa** will be on May 12, at Dixon Lake. **Cheryl Brandstrom and Barbara Gattuso** will be the chairs for this one. **The Club Picnic** is on July 16th at Dixon Lake. **Monique and Tony Smock** will be in charge. **Wings and Things** will be on August 11th at Dixon Lake. Yours truly will be starting this one up. Our **Fish Fry** will be on September 3, at Dixon Lake. **Brenda McQueen** is leading this always tasty activity. Everyone please mark your calendars and offer to help out our event chairs.

Now for something on the serious side, Western Outdoor News (WON) in several recent Editorials (Dec. 19, 2014 and Jan. 19 and 23, 2015 issues) has been highlighting some drastic changes to the Department of Fish and Wildlife (DFW) stocking program. On November 7, 2014, the agency indicated it would be **reducing the state wide trout stocking by half, yes 50%. Better yet, the fish will now weigh 1/4 pound instead of the current half pound!!**

WON further states, "the agency will only plant 1.6 million pounds of trout state wide in 2015, violating a state law passed in 2006 that mandates the agency plant 2.75 pounds of trout per fishing license sold." DFW stocking is about 1 million pounds short.

WON points out in their January 16th Sound off Column, the Director of DFW, Chuck Bonham made monetary allocations within the agency affecting the stocking program. Mr. Bonham was the head of trout unlimited before coming to the agency. This group only wants wild trout in our waters. It appears his personal preferences are being implemented in a public agency!! The DFW also indicate their budget and the lack of rain fall are also factors.

Please take a minute, review the articles and do any other research you desire. After your study, if you are opposed to this stocking change, please write letters opposing this change to the governor, your state senator (38th District, Escondido) Joel Anderson, Capitol Office, State Capitol, Room 5052, Sacramento, CA 95814-4900 (916) 651-4038) an assemblywoman, Marie Waldron, 350 West 5th Avenue, Suite 110, Escondido, CA 92025, 760-480-7570) and to Chuck Bonham, DFW.

To insure a successful 2015 fishing season guys, don't forget Valentine's Day, see everyone at our meeting.

Jim Stevenson
President

2015

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PROGRAM

FEBRUARY SPEAKER

The February 13th Escondido Senior Angler's meeting guest speaker will be **Ernie Prieto**, owner/operator of the Chubasco 2 deep sea charters. Ernie will speak on current fishing operations and discuss some options for our club members to participate in inclusive Escondido Senior Angler charters available in 2015.

MARCH SPEAKER

Our March 13th guest speaker will be **Irv Erdos**, local humorous and newspaper columnist for the San Diego Union Tribune. Irv brings local and personal humor to everyday life.

These will be two very special programs, so please plan to attend the aforementioned meetings for a good time held by all.

Dick Montague
Program Director

FRESH WATER

LAKE WOLFORD FISHING CHALLENGE

Our club's first Fish Challenge took place at Lake Wohlford. The lake was stocked with 3000 Rainbow Trout (Tail Walkers). Upon my arrival to the lake I had never seen so many fishermen. The parking lot at the Lake Wohlford Café was full, people where lined up to the café door entrance waiting to purchase their fishing permit. Although the lake was stocked with lots of fish, fishing was not the best. Our Fish Challenge winner went to **Cheryl Brandstorm**. The wining Rainbow Trout was a 2lb. 5.6 oz. trout. Congrats to **Cheryl**.

Next Fish Challenge will be **Feb. 12, 2015** at Lake Dixon. If you did not sign up at the meeting and wish to enter the challenge notify me. 760 216 8124.

LAKE CAHUILLA CAMPOUT

The first campout of the year was at Lake Cahuilla in La Quinta, Ca. The weather was great except for a day or two with winds. Fishing was not the best, but fish were being caught. Daily winners; **Dave Gehrke, Larry Allen, and Warren Estes** and we had a tie one day with **Tomas Martinez and Warren Estes**. The largest fish caught on the outing was by **Dave Gehrke** with a 1lb. 8.7oz, Rainbow Trout. The difference between first and second place was .1 oz. Total fish caught during the outing - 46 Rainbow Trout. I have to give thanks to my wife **Sandy Martinez** and my Assist. Wagon Masters **John & Linda Perdue** for a great job done.

The Winner's Circle



FRESH WATER (CONT.)



Our Wagon Masters



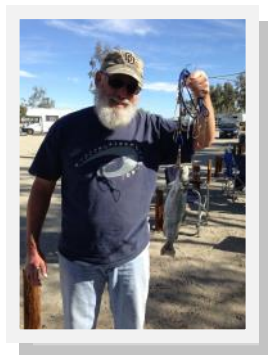
A Left Right Center Winner



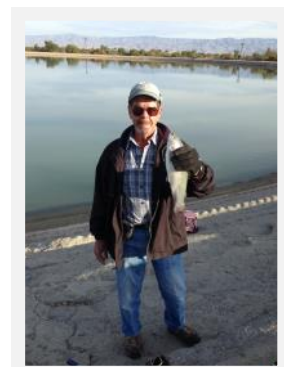
A little chilly?



The Quilters



More Fishermen



UPCOMING CAMPOUTS

Lake Morena --- Feb. 22 to 27, 2015

Bob and Karen Taylor will be Wagon Masters. Dave and Anitra Gehrke will be assistants. Signups will be at the next general meeting. Reservations can be made by calling 877 565 3600. If you have made reservations, be sure to let the Taylors know.

San Onofre — March 22-27 The camping trip for March is still not confirmed with the Military Base, however we are moving forward as if we are going. The cost is \$30.00 per night for campsites and \$60.00 per night for Cottages. (\$150.00 for 5 nights camping; \$300.00 for 5 nights in Cottages) We have 15 RV'ers signed up and reservations for 20 RV's. Please turn in all money to **Barbara Gattuso** at the next regular meeting. Checks should be made out to Senior Anglers of Escondido. Barbara will hold checks all until we are confirmed we are going and then they will be deposited and you will be notified via e-mail. If you plan to fish, when we arrive there is a \$25.00 fee that **Wil Cozzens** will be collecting and will explain to us.

Lake Lopez--- April 12 to 19, 2015

Dick and Laura Montague with John and Linda Perdue will be Wagon Masters. This is a beautiful trip with lots of wildlife and fun activities. There is a trip to Madonna Inn for those that want to go and the ever popular evening at Jocko's. Check it out with them at the meeting.

Lake Cuyamaca ---May 25 to 30, 2015

Jim Stevenson will be Wagon Master. Let's try to get someone to assist Jim on this outing.

See you at the lake,

David Martinez

Assistant Freshwater Vice President

COMMUNITY EVENTS

8TH ANNUAL YOUTH DAY AT LAKE DIXON

We will be searching for anglers to participate in the Youth Day at Lake Dixon which is scheduled for Saturday March the 21st. **Roy Roque** will be chairing the Youth Day project and the planning phase has started. We need a couple of men and/or women to join Roy's committee to finalize the planning of this event and we also need help on the day of the event for fishing, hiking, cooking, serving, cleanup, eating and just having fun. Some of the details must be decided so we can meet with the lake officials to get the final approvals. Signups will be available at the February meeting for both helping on the committee and helping at this event.



KIWANIS TROUT DERBY



The Kiwanis Trout Derby will be the last weekend in April so we will be starting signups for this event at the February meeting. I need someone to help me chair this event. It's a fun and rewarding committee to be part of so give me a call or see me at the February meeting.

We passed out the free fishing and boat permits that the city gave us for helping at their Trout Derby in December. If you weren't at the January meeting and didn't get your permit see me at the February meeting.

I'm looking forward to fishing and attending some of our Senior Angler functions in 2015 and hope you will be joining us. Thanks again for your help throughout the year.
Catch you later, Ron

Ron Parker
Community Events

Senior Anglers of Escondido

Mailing address and meeting place:

**Park Avenue Community Center
Formerly Joslyn Senior Center**

c/o Senior Anglers of Escondido
210 PARK Ave.

Escondido, CA 92025

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

www.senioranglersofescondido.net

SALT WATER

SALTWATER TRIPS

Can you believe this fishing season is continuing into 2015? The water temp is still in the 60's and the fish are still biting. The HALF DAY boats are catching yellowtail in January!!!

So by June, our 3/4 day trips should be catching TUNA. Sign up before they are full. The dates again are **June 29, July 20 and Aug 24** on the Chubasco 2.

Captain Ernie will be our speaker at the February meeting so ask him any questions you may have. There's a lot of changes occurring for Mexican permits and multi-day visa's. Ken Franke will be going to Mexico City and will keep us informed on the changes. This may affect our 3/4 day or overnight trips into Mexico. We'll wait and see.

Our first Salt Water camping trip to San Onofre military camp ground on March 22-27 is on unless we hear differently from the base. Payment will be due at the next meeting. See Freshwater Trips on page 3 for more details.

CABO TRIP

The Cabo Oct 13-18 trip is filling so if you are interested sign up at the meeting or call me. If the fishing season continues, which is predicted, by Oct the fishing will be awesome.

Barbara Gattuso

Saltwater Vice President

CLUB ACTIVITES

CPR/AED CLASS

Barbara Gattuso will be providing a CPR/AED class after the April 10 meeting. The cost is \$15.00 for material. Payment is due at sign up. You can learn how to operate an AED and save a life. Most heart attacks happen at home so the life you save may be a loved one or friend.



SAM AWARD

At the January meeting **Ron and Carol Parker** were surprised with the **Senior Angler Memories Award** for the outstanding job creating the Slideslow of the years activities.

We know this was hours and hours of work, and the results were really professional.

Thanks to the Parkers!!!

CLUB ACTIVITIES

OTHER ACTIVITIES

We have some great outdoor events planned for May, June, July and September. See **The President's Pole** on Page 1 to mark your calendars so that you won't miss a thing!



SPECIAL GUEST SPEAKER



DON'T MISS THE
March 13th Program



Irv Erdos

Award winning columnist, humorist, speaker,
and funny guy from Escondido by way of NY, NY



MEMBERSHIP

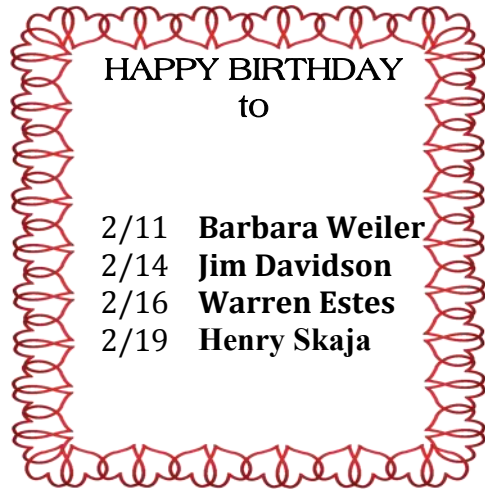
WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

**John and Susan
Anella**



**HAPPY BIRTHDAY
to**

2/11 **Barbara Weiler**
2/14 **Jim Davidson**
2/16 **Warren Estes**
2/19 **Henry Skaja**



Our GREETER
for February will be

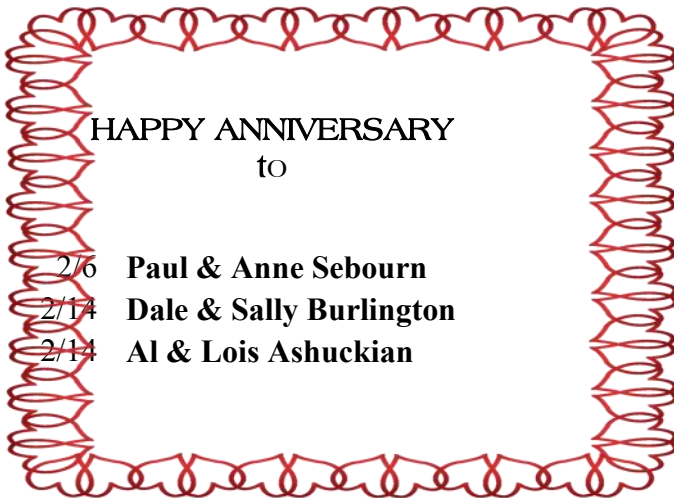
Dale Burlington

Thank you !



**HAPPY ANNIVERSARY
to**

2/6 **Paul & Anne Sebourn**
2/14 **Dale & Sally Burlington**
2/14 **Al & Lois Ashuckian**



The January Attendance
Award
For \

Phil's Barbeque
went to

Jo Tester



The Directory is expected to be ready for Pick-up at the February Meeting. Please stop by the Membership desk to pick up your copy.

Cheryl Brandstrom
Membership

CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2015

Feb. 12	Fishing Challenge– Lake Dixon	Club Event
Feb 22-27	Lake Morena	Freshwater Campout
March 5	Fishing Challenge - Lake Poway	Club Event
March 22-27	Campout -San Onofre Military Base Confirmation pending	Saltwater Campout
March 21	8th Annual Youth Day at Lake Dixon	Community Event
April 12-19	Lake Lopez	Freshwater Campout
April 23	Fishing Challenge - Lake Dixon	Club Event
April 25-26	Kiwanis Trout Derby at Lake Dixon	Community Event
May 12	Italian Festa at Lake Dixon	Club Event
May 25-30	Lake Cuyamaca/Pinezanita	Freshwater Campout
June 29	3/4 Day on the Chubasco	Saltwater
July 11	Catfish Derby at Lake Wohlford	Community Event
July 16	Club Picnic—Lake Dixon	Club Event
July 20	3/4 Day on the Chubasco	Saltwater
August 11	Wings and Things at Lake Dixon	Club Event
August 24	3/4 Day on the Chubasco	Saltwater
October 13-18	Cabo Trip	Saltwater
Sept 3	Fish Fry at Lake Dixon	Club Event
Sept	June Lake	Freshwater Campout
Nov 7-11	Escondido City Trout Derby-Lake Dixon	Community Event
Dec	Awards Banquet	

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SENIOR ANGLERS of ESCONDIDO

LARGE FISH DOCUMENTATION

Member Name _____ Phone _____

Weight _____ Date caught _____

Identify Species (include picture) _____

Location (Name of Body of Water) _____ State _____

Signed by Member _____

Witness _____

Method of Determining Weight

____ ESA Club Scale ____ Personal Scale (certified following catch)

____ Lake Scale/ Boat scale ____ Length x Girth measurements (fish released)

Length _____ Girth _____

Note: Billfish, Sharks, Black Sea Bass and other protected species will NOT be considered.

Fresh Water: ____ Class 1 ____ Class 2 Salt Water: ____ Class 1 ____ Class 2

____ Largest Fish of the Year ____ Largest Fish of the Species (Club Record)

Turn in completed paperwork to the Vice-president no later than November 1st. Any fish caught after October 31 will be listed for the following year.

VP/rec'd date _____ Hist./rec'd date _____

10/10/2014