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A Line from your President....

As the temperature begins to rise around the county, and 4th of July approaches, I find myself wondering what fun activities I can participate in during this Covid 19 summer. After a little bit of thought, I realized that there are some great options for getting out, but still social distancing and keeping safe.

Now that the beaches are reopened, with a little bit of caution and planning you can enjoy a nice day on the coast. With 17 miles of coastline and 4,600 acres around Mission Bay Park, San Diego offers a wide variety of beaches and amenities. I would avoid the traditionally crowded areas like La Jolla and Mission Beach, but there are a lot of lighter used areas where if you stay towards the back of the beach you can stay well-spaced from others.

You can take a leisurely stroll in one of the county's open space preserves like Daley Ranch and Blue Sky Preserve. Have your mask ready if you need to pass others closely along the trail. Or if you are feeling more energetic, you can visit the local mountains for hiking. Now that many campgrounds are open you can combine one or more nights camping with your trip. By camping solo or with your spouse you can avoid the risks currently associated with camping with others.

Of course, there is my favorite activity available, fishing. Most of the county lakes are now open and bass and catfish fishing is available in most lakes. I have recently been bass fishing with my brother-in-law at El Capitan and San Vicente Reservoirs. Fishing was good at both lakes. My brother-in-law landed an 8 lb. bass on the San Vicente trip. By fishing the opposite ends of the boat we maintain social distancing while still being able to socialize. You can do the same in one of our up-coming fish challenges or on the monthly shore fishing event.

You can also take a trip up to the Sierras now that they are also open for business. You can either do a solo trip staying in remote campsites, or contact Albert and Colleen Wilson to sign up for the annual June Lake Trip. They are currently working out a strategy to try and keep everyone who comes as safe as possible.

For those with a higher risk threshold, several of the landings are now taking reservations for salt water outings. They are reporting good catches and are making an effort to keep their boats sanitized.

Due to the continued closure of the Senior Center, we will not be meeting again this month. Monique and I wish all of you a safe and happy month and look forward to seeing you all again. Happy 4th of July.

Tony Smock President

So Many Fish.....So Little Time





FRESHWATER

UPCOMING CAMPOUTS

June Lake—September 13-19

Plans are going forward for our trip to June Lake. We have 14 rigs, so



far. If you have any questions about this trip, contact AI and Colleen Wilson.

Cuyamaca-Pinezanita— October 12-17

At this point, it is doubtful if Pinezanita will be open in the fall. The Allen's will continue to monitor the situation and keep us informed.

Hope to see you soon,

Albert Wilson Freshwater Vice President

SALTWATER

I hope you and your loved ones are all well and keeping safe.

The fishing reports I have gotten are spotty. Some days are good and some are difficult. Wind is sometimes a problem. Those who have chanced an off shore trip or farther north did better than inshore for tuna. The calico bite has been amazing. One of our members went to the Coronado's and reported lots of very hungry seals and boats. Catch reports are OK, but not great yet.

CCA has reported a new bill, AB3030, that would affect us all in a very bad way. You recently received an email from Karen Taylor that included the bill and the issues at stake. It's an important issue.

Barbara Gattuso Saltwater Vice President

ON-SHORE FISHING

From the shores of Oceanside Harbor . . .

After months of self-imposed exile being off the water, we finally felt safe enough to resume our monthly On-Shore Fishing Tournaments. Our June 8th tournament was well attended by numerous members, and their guests. Eighteen anglers from both Senior Anglers of Escondido and Oceanside Senior Anglers participated. Wearing ours masks, and staying 6' apart—mostly (a few welcome-back hugs exchanged).

ON-SHORE FISHING (CONT.)

The Oceanside beaches were opened to all activity, except for parking. It was great to see families again enjoying our beautiful beach and kids playing in the sand and surf.

The tournament was held between the Oceanside Harbor jetties. Weather and surf conditions were great, but unfortunately fishing was extremely slow.

Those in attendance from both clubs were **Cheryl Brandstrom**, **Randy Brown**, **Don Continelli**, **Brian Doeing**, **Dan Englebrecht and grandson Luke**, **Ken Harrison and guest Tiani Hernandez**, **Marge Lovelady**, **Frank and Pat Mancha**, **Camille Martineau**, **Randall Mattes**, **Bill Modi**, **Richard Reed**, **William Ross**, **Jeff Routsong**, **Jerry Watnanabe**.



Only one fish was caught. OSA's **Randall Mattes** "landed" the single 3.2 ounce Corbina . . . and the \$90 jackpot! "I feel bad about taking it," said **Randall** on his jackpot win.

Fine, then you'd think he'd invite some of us to lunch? He really didn't need to.

We had already had a filling late breakfast at the Harbor Denny's prior. Based on our fish count, it would seem we're an eating club that likes to fish, rather than the other way around.



Wouldn't you know it . . . just as the tournament was ending around 1:00p.m., the city came through and removed all the parking barricades for the Harbor Beach parking lots. We still had a long walk back to our previously parked cars.

September RV/Surf Fishing Trip - If you have a campsite reservation for the annual RV fishing trip to Jalama Campground in Santa Barbara County, please notify Wagon Master Don Continelli.

Next Joint-Club On-Shore Tournament - Our annual On-Shore Tournament picnic will be at the small Oceanside Harbor Pier (near the Harbor Police station) on Thursday, July 27. High tide will be a little after 4:00 PM. Sign-ups will start at 2:00 PM at the Pier.

As a California public pier, no fishing license is required. Our disabled members can easily walk (or roll) out onto the short pier and enjoy fishing. We had 25 attend last year. More information to follow including picnic plans. Non-tournament club members are invited too.

Due to the on-going health crisis you will be on-your-own for any picnic lunch or dinner. There are several take-out eating establishments at and near the pier. The pier has a small grassy area so you may wish to bring chairs and a canopy for your significant others or guests. If you have any

questions, contact Don Continelli. RSVP so we'll have a rough head count.

Don Continelli Ken Harrison Program Chairpersons

MEMBERSHIP



Glenn Van Hest 7/01 7/04 Julie Miller 7/05 Walter Rehm 7/07 Annetta Mabrey 7/09 Ron Bloom 7/09 Al Ashuckian 7/09 Kara Colling 7/12 Carolyn Phares 7/13 Robert Lage 7/17 Ron Parker Joan Palley 7/30



- 7/07 Brian & Patricia Doeing
- 7/09 Richard & Laura Montague
- 7/11 Jim & Lynda Davidson
- 7/13 Ron & Loretta Casapulla

Linda Perdue Membership Director

ON THE LIGHT SIDE

Fifty ways to beat COVID-19

Don't hop on the bus, Gus, Stay away from the pack, Jack, Sneeze into your sleeve, Steve, To keep virus free.

Stop touching your face, Grace, Stay back to six feet, Pete, Keep washing your hands, Stan, And heed CDC.

Don't visit your Gran, Jan, Wipe down every toy, Roy, Don't hoard all the food, dude, Please buy sensibly.

Just use some Purell, Mel, Keep wipes near at hand, man. Don't listen to John, Don -You don't need more TP!

This isn't Spring Break, Jake, Stay home if you're sick, Dick, Just follow the rules, fools, And stay virus free!



Contributed by Tony Smock.

CLUB EVENTS

VIEJAS TRIP

After much consideration, Tony and Barbara have made the decision to cancel this event, in the interest of good health for all.

OTHER EVENTS

The advisability of other events will be determined as we go forward,

CATCHES



Tony and his brother-in law at Lake San Vicente. The bass is 7.96 lbs.



Ron Bloom and his Lake Wohlford Catfish



Our newest member Deb McGregor caught this nice trout at Lake Cuyamaca

Members,

There isn't much going on now, but hopefully you can get out and fish. I'd love to have some pictures each month of fish you have caught for this section. Send them to me at karen.t22@sbcglobal or text them to me at 760-518-2557.

Karen Taylor

CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2020

| | June 8 | Saltwater On-shore Fishing Challenge —South Cardiff Beach | Saltwater |
|----|---------------|--|--------------------|
| * | July 10 | Meeting Jeff Brown - Diamond Valley Lake Cancelled | |
| * | July 15 | Club Picnic Cancelled | Club Event |
| * | July 27 | Saltwater On-shore Fishing Challenge —Oceanside Harbor | Saltwater |
| | July 29 | Day at the Races - Del Mar | Club Event |
| | August 14 | Meeting Stephen Raphael - Big Bear Lake and Fishing and Hatchery | |
| | August 19 | Club Picnic | Club Event |
| | August 20 | Saltwater On-shore Fishing Challenge - South Ponto | Saltwater |
| | Sept 11 | Meeting Ron Parker - SAE's 2020 Fishing Recap Program | |
| | Sept 13-19 | June Lake Campout | Freshwater |
| | Sept 28-Oct 4 | Jamala Beach County Park - Campout and Surf Fishing | Saltwater |
| | Oct 9 | Meeting | |
| | Oct 20 | Saltwater On-shore Fishing Challenge—Location TBD | Saltwater |
| * | Oct 12-17 | Lake Cuyamaca/Pinezanita | Freshwater |
| ** | Oct 17-23 | Cabo Trip (to be determined) | Saltwater |
| | Nov 1-6 | Santee Campout | Freshwater |
| | Nov 13 | Meeting Lake Cuyamaca - Winter Fishing and Hatchery Program | |
| | Nov 20 | Fall Feast | Club Event |
| | Dec 3 | Awards Banquet and Holiday Party | Club Event |
| | Dec 4-6 | Escondido City Trout Derby | Community Event |
| | Dec 8 | Viejas Trip—-Cancelled | Club Event |
| | Dec11 | Board Meeting | Community Event |

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

* New or Changed ** Non-club sponsored event