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Fish Tales from Your President's Perspective.

Have you seen the price of eggs lately? Now, they are saying coffee beans are skyrocketing. So, what does this have to do with fishing? For one thing, now I have to make a choice between chicken eggs and nightcrawlers, between coffee or power bait—you get the picture. I think it's time we took the bull by the horns and fix this stuff.

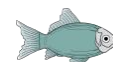
Everyone knows fish eggs are better all around than chicken eggs, so instead of having chicken coops in our yards, we should have fish coops. Growing environments that allow easy harvest of this important food source. Did you know that fish eggs have an extremely high nutritional value - they do? I know the "Free Rangers" will have a cow about this, but if they do, they are producing excess greenhouse gases. Anyhow, with just one ocean sunfish we could produce 3,000,000 (source National Geographic) eggs a year. WOW!!! Another benefit to fish egg ranching is waste; yes, the waste products produced are very beneficial for agriculture. So the waste produced can increase your yields of produce in your gardens or orchards or whatever. Also disease, fish don't get bird flu, another amazing phenomenon.

I could care less about the price of coffee beans (I'm a tea drinker myself), but many of you are coffee addicts. Well, for you, I say cow pellets; yep, you heard me right. With an unlimited supply of cow droppings, add heat and a little pressure, and you get cow pellets. These babies are perfect for your early morning pick-me-up. They have a distinct aroma and produce a flavorful cup of Joe. Since they are a by-product, we are achieving the 3 R's: reduce, reuse, recycle. And to top it off, the cost of a cup should be pennies. What an inflation beater!

With a few more of these ideas, you might be able to afford a ¾ day or maybe a 1 ½ day boat trip every month. Now, that's worth it by itself. Now is the time for you to take charge of these unpalatable prices and create cheaper and more environmentally sound innovations. In the meantime, I'm off to the tackle store to get some bait. I will see you on the water with my cup of tea, knowing all will be better in the world.

Paul Lorson
President

So Many Fish.....So Little Time



PROGRAMS

March Speaker: Dr. Grossman , Dermatologist

Dr. Grossman will discuss the medical issues of interest to outdoor enthusiasts: the health risks associated with UV light exposure and how to maximize protection when enjoying activities during sunlight conditions,

He was born in Philadelphia and attended Temple University. He did graduate work at George Washington Medical School in Washington, D.C., took a dermatology residency at Balboa Naval Hospital in San Diego and was on the staff at Bethesda Naval Hospital in Maryland. He was in private practice in North San Diego County for 35 years and on the staff at UCSD during that time. He is a former president of the San Diego Dermatology Society. Jay volunteered for 19 years at Camp Discovery sponsored by the American Academy of Dermatology for kids with skin diseases.

Bill Modi
Program Director

FRESHWATER

UPCOMING CAMPOUTS

Santee Lakes March 9 - 13

Wagon Masters: Tony and Monique Smock

We're looking forward to our Santee Lakes Campout this month. If you haven't made reservations, and want to join us, contact Monique for details.

Pinezanita/Cuyamaca May 19-23

Wagon Masters: Rich and Cindy Bruemmer

People have expressed interest and are "biting the bullet" to make their reservations! Don't worry; plenty of spaces are on hold for everyone who wants to go. Don't try to make a reservation just yet, or they won't assign you to our group area. Cindy is keeping a log of those who have expressed interest and those confirmed. Want to get on the list? Email: cbruemmer7@gmail.com or Text: 760 212-9712 or call/leave message at 760 749-8239. She will contact everyone by email and/or text in plenty of time for you to get your spot!



MORE FRESHWATER

LAKE MORENA CAMPOUT

If you like a beautiful campground, good friends, great food, good game playing, gorgeous weather, AND CATCHING FISH to boot, you missed a great campout at Lake Morena. Rich and Cindy Bruemmer were the Wagon Masters and couldn't have picked a nicer week to camp and fish! There were supposed to be 12 rigs, but one was lost to illness and another to a repair the dealer didn't complete in time. Both were missed.



There were 20 fish caught, with David Martinez being the big winner with a 2 lb. 14.2 oz. trout. Bob Taylor came in second with a 2 lb. 12.7 oz. trout. Fortunately, every fisherman caught at least one fish!



The weather was great for walking. Fariba, Marilyn, Sharon and KT had a great walk everyday and ended the week with a walk on the Pacific Coast Trail. We had the use of the Pavillion for games each afternoon and one evening.



The food was beyond good, with such delicacies as homemade soups, pulled pork, meatball sandwiches, and the grand finale – Breakfast for Dinner, complete with pancakes, biscuits & gravy, eggs, sausage, and almost 5 pounds of bacon! Oh, and don't forget the desserts! No one left hungry!



It was a good trip. We hope you'll join us next time.

MORE FRESHWATER

TROUT CHALLENGE

It was disappointing to have to cancel the last Trout Challenge due to the rain. Hopefully we will have better luck in March.

The next two trout challenges will be at Lake Wolford. The first will be Thursday, March 6th, and the second will be Thursday, March 27th. The challenge will run from 6:00 am until 12:00 noon. I will be at the senior shoreline or ranger station (where you get your permit).

I hope to see you there.

Al Wilson
Freshwater Vice President

OCEANSIDE MULTI-CLUB FISH DERBY

On February 28, OSA co-hosted a fishing derby at Lake Dixon in Escondido. OSA was joined by Senior Anglers of Escondido for a morning of fishing, followed by a picnic lunch and award ceremony. Each angler paid \$25 to enter the Derby. Fourteen anglers from each club, plus one guest angler.



Gift cards from Turner's Outdoorsman were awarded for Largest Trout, Second Largest Trout, Heaviest Stringer (any fish), Second Heaviest Stringer, and Largest Other (Bass, Carp or Catfish).

The winners were:

Brett Palmer (SAE) – Largest Trout - 4.1 lbs. \$75

Kevin Lord (SAE) - Second Largest Trout - 2.6 lbs. \$25

Kevin Lord (SAE) – Heaviest Stringer – 8.7 lbs. \$75

Bret Palmer (SAE) – Second Heaviest Stringer – 5.7 lbs. \$25

Brian Schultz (SAE) - Largest Other Fish – 3.1 lb. Large Mouth Bass -\$75.



MORE FRESHWATER

Though OSA was soundly out-fished in this, the First Annual Lake Dixon Derby, everyone seemed to have a good time, and the social interaction between club members was great (many anglers are members of both clubs, anyway). After fishing, we had a great lunch of Polish dogs, baked beans, coleslaw, and cookies. We ended the day with a free drawing for 15 prizes ranging from fishing combos, fishing reels, custom-tied flies, custom made tube bates, a \$25 gift card, and other miscellaneous gifts donated by club members.



This event was made possible by the work of several volunteers and drawing gift donors. Volunteers included Kelly Kissinger (BBQ beans) and Paul Berinson (Polish dogs and toasted buns). Sharon Evans Shari Hunter Sharon Ayo (and Carol Cox (Champagne Village Rep) signed in anglers, organized the picnic, and served the food. Lastly, thanks to Albert Wilson (SAE), who helped OSA staff organize the Derby.

Drawing prizes were donated by Albert Wilson (SAE), Jim Hunter (OSA), Kevin Lord (SAE), Paul and Agnes Berinson (OSA), Rancho Bernardo Anglers (Squidco gift card), Eugene Simon (OSA), Dick Reed (OSA) and John DeWitt (OSA – No Tackle Left Behind).

I'm declaring the Lake Dixon Derby to be an unqualified success. The overall fishing was less than stellar, but some nice fish were caught, the weather exceeded expectations and the social interaction and camaraderie were exceptional. Thanks to everyone who contributed and participated in the Dixon Derby.

Dick Reed
Event Coordinator

SALTWATER

There's not a lot happening for Saltwater right now. The fish for catching are Sand Bass, Spotted Bass, Calico Bass, Halibut, Shark, Barracuda, and Bonita. There are plenty of ½-day and ¾-day boats going out of San Diego, Mission Bay, Oceanside, and Dana Point.

Don't forget the 2-for-1 Tuesdays out of Dana Point!

We are looking forward to our Ensenada Fishing Convoy in April.

MORE SALTWATER

Congratulations to Cheryl Brandstrom for her nice catches. See the Large Fish of the Year report below. Way to Go, Cheryl!

Barbara Gattuso has started planning her annual trip to Cabo, October 28 to November 2. Save the date.

Let me know if you go fishing onshore or by boat. Have it verified, and you could be eligible for the "Catch of the Month"!

Rich Bruemmer
Saltwater Vie President

ON SHORE FISHING

Now that we are getting into the better surf fishing time of the year, I can set some dates, times, and locations for our next events. Our first outing will be on Tuesday, March 18, behind the Army Navy Academy at 8:00 am. An exact location and reminder will be sent a few days before the event. Our next outing in April will be Tuesday, April 22, in Del Mar, just south of Dog Beach. Again, an exact location and time will be sent out in advance.

The club has asked Jerry Watanabe and me to combine the annual Spring Fling with the surf fishing event for May. We have chosen Wednesday, May 28, at a location in Mission Bay. We fished there a few months ago, and it's beautiful. There is a large gazebo with several picnic tables near the water. We will fish early in the morning and start the picnic around 11:30. See details on page 7.

Cheryl Brandstrom
On Shore Fishing Chairperson

LARGE FISH OF THE YEAR

Name	Caught By	Pounds	Ounces	Species
Freshwater Class I	Bob Taylor	3	3.5	Trout
Freshwater Class II	Brian Shultz	4	8	Bass
Saltwater Class I				
Saltwater Class II	Cheryl Brandstrom	15		Tuna
On Shore Class I	Cheryl Brandstrom	1	1	Spotted Bay Bass
On Shore Class II				

MEMBERSHIP



The Senior Anglers of Escondido would like to give a friendly welcome to new members:

Warren (Bud) and Georjean McLaren and Dane Clark and his daughter, Ashley Clark

We would also like to welcome back, after a long absence, **Jim and Sharon Reser and Larry Cusack.**

FISHING FOODIES

The winner of our Fishing Foodie gift card was **Ron Casapulla**. We had a nice group at Shakey's pizza.



Next month we will go to Board and Brew. I have been staying away from downtown because of the road construction there.

OPPORTUNITY DRAWING WINNERS



Linda Perdue, Gary Beckman(2), Ron Casapulla, Julie Lorson, Hank Skaja, Jerry Watanabe, and Dane Clark

CELEBRATIONS

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!



3/6	Jerry Oliver
3/16	Gerald Graf
3/17	Loretta Casapulla
3/21	Brian Schultz
3/23	Cindy Bruemmer
3/31	Carol MacIsaac

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY



3/5	Kevin & Catherine Lord
3/14	Mike & Karen Springer
3/15	Earl & Annie Brown
3/20	Tony & Monique Smock

Linda Perdue
Membership Director

CLUB EVENTS



SENIOR ANGLERS OF ESCONDIDO

JOIN US FOR OUR SPRING FLING PICNIC AND SOCIAL EVENT

Date: Wednesday May 28th, 2025

Time: 11:30 am

Where: Mission Bay (Directions to Follow)

COST: \$6.00 PER PERSON

Organized by Cheryl Brandstrom and
Jerry Watanabe

Questions: Cheryl (760) 310-6536

Jerry (925) 519-5616

We will be serving Teriyaki Chicken Burgers and Hamburgers as
our Main Course along with Beverages

Sign-ups at our next meeting for, Cole Slaw, Salads, and
Desserts



Note: This is a combination event. On Shore Fishing will start early in the morning and Club picnic will begin at 11:30.

CLUB EVENTS

TIME OUT TUESDAY

It was a lovely day for Time Out Tuesday on February 25. There was a smaller group than usual, but the weather was perfect, and we all enjoyed our time together. We hope you can join us next time on March 25

ON THE LIGHT SIDE



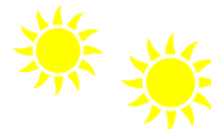
Submitted by John Tester

SUNSHINE

It seems like it was a good month for our members. I didn't hear of anyone having health problems. Let's keep that up!



DID YOU KNOW?



Each Leaf of the Four Leaf Clover represents different virtues: Faith, Kindness, Hope, and Good Fortune.

Many people keep them to attract Good Luck in their lives.



Joann Jawret
Sunshine

Senior Anglers of Escondido
Mailing address and meeting place:

American Legion Post 149
c/o Senior Anglers of Escondido
230 E Park Ave.
Escondido, CA 92025

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

COMMUNITY EVENTS

From the Desk of the Director of Community Events

Youth Day

I have established contacts with the local Boys and Girls Club, the Dixon Lake Park Rangers, and the Escondido Union School District. I had hoped to have a confirmed date by now, but it is still being finalized. The activities will be from 8 am through 4 pm (8:30-3:30 at the lake.) My projections are for 7 Senior Anglers for each shift (3 fishing, two hiking, two craft preparation, and cooking, although more are appreciated. Food will include Hot Dogs, Hamburgers, Cheeseburgers, Chips, Soda, and water. I hope to get the details and signup sheets at our March meeting.

April Kiwanis Derby- April 5th and 6th

I currently have 10 slots filled but am looking for 40 slots (4 shifts at the weigh station and two at the Kiddy Pond daily). I am confident that more will show up to assist. I will have the signup sheets for the March Meeting, along with the Flyers.

The Kiddy Pond assembly is scheduled for Monday, March 31st, at Dixon Lake from 3 to 5 pm (last time, it took only an hour).



November Kiddy Pond Assembly

Kiddy Pond fish delivery is scheduled for April 2nd or 3rd (coordinated with Lake Stock). Hours of the derby will be from 6 pm to 5 pm on Saturday, April 5th, and 6 am to 4 pm on Sunday, April 6th. Food and drinks will be available via vouchers. Please use one voucher per meal; I will make them available if we need more.

Salt Water Youth Event

I am still interested in a saltwater (shore or sea) youth event. We have many opportunities to participate in Escondido Street Fairs, events, or parades if the club wishes to “spread the word.” If anyone has suggestions, all will be appreciated.

Jim MacIsaac
Community Events

CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2025

	Jan 10	Board and General Meeting Year in Review-R Parker	
	Jan 23-28	Yucaipa Campout	Freshwater
*	Feb 13	Trout Challenge Lake Wolford Cancelled	Freshwater
	Feb 14	Board and General Meeting-Tim Huckaby, SD Fly Fishers Club.	
	Feb 17-21	Lake Morena Campout	Freshwater
	Feb 25	Time Out Tuesday	Club Event
*	March 6	Trout Challenge –Lake Wolford	Freshwater
	March 9-13	Santee Lakes Campout	Freshwater
	March 14	Board and General Meeting– Dr. Grossman , Dermatologist	
*	March 18	On Shore Fishing	Saltwater
*	March 25	Time Out Tuesday	Club Event
*	March 27	Trout Challenge –Lake Wolford	Freshwater
	March 31	Kiddy Pond Assembly for the Trout Derby	Community Event
*	April 5-6	Escondido Kiwanis Fishing Derby	Community Event
	April 11	Board and General Meeting	
	April 22	On Shore Fishing	Saltwater
*	April 29	Ensenada Fishing Convoy	Saltwater
	May 9	Board and General Meeting	
	May 19-23	Cuyamaca/Pinezanita Campout	Freshwater
*	May 28	Spring Fling Picnic	Club Event
	June 13	Board and General Meeting	
	July 11	Board and General Meeting	
*	July 23	Summer Picnic	Club Event
	August 15	Board and General Meeting	
	Sept 12	Board and General Meeting	
	Sept	Fall Camping Trip	Freshwater
	Oct	Board and General Meeting	
**	Oct 28-Nov 2	Cabo Trip	
*	TBD	Fall Feast	Club Event
	Nov	Board and General Meeting	
	Dec	Holiday Party and Awards Banquet	Club Event
	Dec	Board of Directors Board Meeting	

* New or changed event **Not a club sponsored event





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) _____ State _____

Signature _____ Witness _____

Category

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| 1. _____ | Salt Water | Class I |
| 2. _____ | Salt Water | Class II |
| 3. _____ | Surf | Class I |
| 4. _____ | Surf | Class II |
| 5. _____ | Fresh Water | Class I |
| 6. _____ | Fresh Water | Class II |

How Verified

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| 1. _____ | Club Scale |
| 2. _____ | Club Approved Scale |
| | Belongs to _____ |
| 3. _____ | Boat/Lake Scale |
| 4. _____ | Measurement |
| | Length _____ |
| | 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.

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| _____ | Largest fish of the outing | () |
| _____ | Largest fish of the month | () |
| _____ | Largest fish of the year | () |
| _____ | Largest fish 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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