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A Line from your President....

November was a month of firsts for the Senior Anglers of Escondido. For the first time since March of 2020 we met indoors at the Park Avenue Community Center. It was wonderful to see everyone together again and to renew old acquaintances. Our guest speaker was fishing guru from Turner's Outdoorsman, **Lori Sachau**. Lori presented a very interesting talk about Charter opportunities, and what lures are hot for saltwater and fresh water fishing.

Also, for the first time in nearly two years we finally were able to sponsor a Club camping trip. Twenty-three people attended the camping trip to Santee Lakes at the beginning of November. The first day the bite was almost non-existent, but picked up when we moved to a different lake. Several limits and a few large rainbows were taken. We had great weather and a good time was had by all.

The ladies enjoyed cards, sewing and LDO (Ladies Day Out). They went shopping at what is quickly becoming their favorite store, GTM, and for lunch they tried the new seafood restaurant that was built on a deck over the lake inside the park, the Tin Fish. Most of those who ate there said it was delicious. The men enjoyed their daily poker games. For YOYO night most went to Phil's BBQ, followed by a campfire and trivia night. **Monique and I** were the Wagon Masters for this one. Look for more about this event, including the winners of the fish challenge in the Freshwater Report of this news letter.

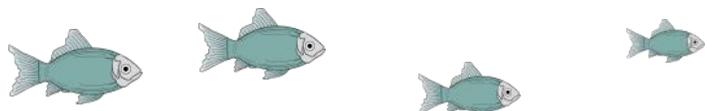
Remember that there is no General meeting in December. We will meet again at the Park Avenue Community Center on Friday, January 13. Current board members and in-coming board members, remember we will be meeting December 10 at 9:30 in our usual meeting room.

Monique and I would like to thank all the Board of Directors and Coordinator's, Carol Parker for her photography over the years, and the chair people of the Picnics and Awards Banquet for their support this year, and throughout the Covid closure months. It has been an honor and a pleasure to serve this club as President these past four years.

We would like to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Healthy and Happy New Year.

Tony Smock
President

So Many Fish.....So Little Time



CAPTAIN ROBERT LAGE
July 13, 1930 – November 26, 2021



Captain Robert Lage was a career Surface Warfare officer with the United States Navy. Captain Lage commanded various Destroyers during his illustrious military career. He had three tours on the staff of the Chief of Naval Operations (Pentagon) in Washington DC but his love was his sea duty where he served as Training/Readiness Officer for Commander Naval Surface Forces Pacific as well as Executive Officer on several US Destroyers in the Pacific. Retiring after 29 ½ years he served as a consultant to various companies in Navy Warfare Readiness Issues.

Bob was a devoted family man and taught his kids, two boys and a daughter, the love of the outdoors, camping and fishing. Recently he has been encouraging his grandchildren and great grandchildren the same love for the outdoor sports. He planned annual fishing and camping trips to the High Sierra and chartered a sports fishing boat every year. This past year he couldn't make the trip but was on the dock to welcome the boat back, the Vagabond, and as usual it was full of huge Bluefin tuna.

Bob and Alice joined the Senior Anglers in the early 2000's and promptly contributed to our club in many ways. He served on the Board of Directors as the Program Director for several years bringing in very interesting and different programs. An example, Harbor Master of Oceanside harbor, a CHP Officer to discuss safety when driving or towing RV's or trailers, the Dam Keeper of Lake Hodges, the owner of Queen Charlotte Safaris lodge and the owner/operator of the sports-fishing boat "Vagabond". The Lage's were very active in our club bringing in new members and supporting our club in so many ways.

Bob was a great person and his love for fishing and the outdoors was infectious. I first met the Captain on the beach while camping at Lake Lopez. While we were introducing ourselves we watched a crow steal bait from Al Ashuckian's worm can. Al was half asleep or concentrating on his fishing pole. While we were laughing at this incident, one of our members slid down the bank and ended up in the lake. It was a very cold day so this little accident, although it could have been serious, was hysterical. After this introduction we had many more experiences including going on camping/fishing trips to the High Sierra and salmon fishing in Canada. We also worked on many projects and committees at the church.

Captain Lage will be missed by his family, the church family, the Senior Anglers and his many friends. I have been very fortunate to have been close to Bob and shared our love of Christ, family, country and the outdoors. Thank you so much for everything my friend, you have been a great part of our lives and we will never forget those memories. Rest in Peace Robert!

Ron Parker

FRESHWATER

CAMPING TRIPS

Hello fellow anglers. A great time was had at the Santee Lakes campout. The weather was beautiful.



The fishing started out really slow on the first day, but then things picked up with some with daily limits taken. There were thirty-two trout caught. **Bob Taylor** took the challenge with a 2 lb. 10 oz. fish. **Ron Parker** came for the day and caught a 4 lb. trout but wasn't in the challenge. He still took a pin and the Rod and Reel trophy for the largest fish of the month.



We hope to see everyone at Holiday Party.

Al Wilson
Freshwater Vice President

SALTWATER

There's still good bottom fishing on half day boats and I think all the non existent tuna from Baja migrated north. The one and 1 1/2 day boats are catching lots of tuna.

Remember if you go out to turn in a fish report.

I hope you all read the CCA report. Lots of good information for all fishing.

Barbara Gattuso
Saltwater Vice President

MEMBERSHIP



- 12/11 **Roy Roque**
- 12/12 **Carol Parker**
- 12/12 **Jack Pease**
- 12/17 **Larry Allen**
- 12/18 **Thomas Galyean**
- 12/21 **Chuck Fowler**
- 12/22 **Smick Smeskal**
- 12/24 **Janet Skaja**
- 12/24 **David Martinez**
- 12/31 **Anna Hoving**



- 12/22 **Andres and Kathy Hark**
- 12/28 **Charles & Linda Ogilvie**

2022 DUES REMINDER

We are still collecting SAE dues for next year. If you haven't renewed your membership yet, please do so now by sending a check to the address below.

Linda Perdue, Membership Director,
905 Carriage Dr., San Marcos, CA 92069.

We haven't been able to get much in-person time, we have decided to waive the late fee for dues collected for the remainder of the year.

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FISHING FOODIES

With our in-person meetings returning, we will begin our fun Fishing Foodies drawing and lunch again. This is an opportunity to get together, enjoy good food and visit with other members after our meeting. A restaurant is selected and will be announced in the Monthly Newsletter. At the start of the meeting, members will be asked who thinks they will be attending in case reservations are required. At the end of the meeting, a Bingo card will randomly be selected and the corresponding number from the sign-in sheet will receive a \$25 gift card to that restaurant.

January's gift card and lunch will be to Cocina del Charro in Escondido.



Linda Perdue
Membership Director

OUR CATCHES

Congratulations to our Large Fish of the Year award winners.

LARGE FISH 2021

Class II Saltwater: Steve Palmer 218 lb. Blue Fin Tuna

Class I On Shore: Cheryl Brandstrom— 2.2 lb. Corbina

Class I Freshwater: Paul Lorson — 6 lb. 8 oz. Rainbow Trout

LARGE FISH 2020

Class II Saltwater: Barbara Gattuso—70 lb. Yellowfin Tuna

Class I On Shore: Thomas Galyean - 1 lb. 2 oz. Barred Perch

Class II On Shore: Don Continelli - 2 lb. 10 oz. Spotfin Croaker

Class I Freshwater: Tony Smock - 5 lb. Trout

Class II Freshwater: Tony Smock—3.8 lb. Bass

SUNSHINE



Seasons Greetings to all our Senior Anglers.

We have been informed that **Warren and Nat Estes'** son was in a very serious car accident. He is still in the hospital and expected to be there for quite some time. They are in our thoughts, with wishes for a complete and speedy recovery. Nat also is recovering from surgery last month.

Colleen Wilson had knee surgery. She is doing well, recuperating at home.

We were sad to hear of **Bob Lage's** passing and have sent a sympathy card to **Alice** and the family.



DID YOUKNOW?

During Christmas of 1880 **Thomas Edison** created the first strand of electric lights.

Marge Lovelady
Sunshine

ON THE LIGHT SIDE



CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2021

Dec 3-5	Escondido Trout Derby	Community Event
Dec 8	Awards Banquet and Holiday Party	Club Event

CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2022

	Coming Soon	
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* New or Changed ** Non-club sponsored 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

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

www.senioranglersofescondido.net

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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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