



Senior Anglers of Escondido

January 2009 Issue

President's Message

Ron Parker, President



"Ron's Rhetoric"



Happy New Year!

I hope everyone enjoyed a healthy and joyful holiday season. It was a very busy couple of weeks of family, friends, indulging in much too much food, and too little fishing. A very special time of the year, and I'm truly thankful for so many wonderful blessings that we have been given. Now it's back to getting things in order for a new year of fellowship, fishing, and fun.

Our general meeting is just around the corner, Friday the 16th at 9:30 AM, and again we will be meeting at the Joslyn Senior Center on Park Avenue. We have been given a city permit to use this great facility in 2009 both for our Board of Directors meeting and the General Membership meeting. If you get a chance, thank the Joslyn Senior Center Staff for their hospitality and making us feel welcome each month. I don't have any idea how many years the city of Escondido has allowed us to meet and use this facility... it's been a lot of years; but, on behalf of our club I want to thank them for all their support.

Bob Lage is starting to develop another outstanding program list for our general meetings, and it all begins this month. In January, we have the owners of ***Queen Charlotte Safaris Fishing Lodge***, located on Queen Charlotte Islands in B.C. Canada, Valerie and Ron Hoperich. They are joined by TV personality, and host of several fishing shows, Ronnie Kovach. This should be a great program, so get there early to get a good seat, and be ready to start our meeting at 9:30 sharp. Keep checking on our website and/or in our newsletter for the rest of the programs scheduled for this year.

Speaking of our newsletter, we want to give our newsletter a name, so we're asking for your input. The editor, Karen Entwistle, will be asking for your suggestions at the January meeting. Use your imagination, come up with an appropriate title, and see if you can be the winner of this naming contest. There will be a prize, and the winning name will be announced at the February meeting. For details, see Karen or read her column on this subject.

The Board of Directors are busy developing the schedules for the year. Fishing dates, places and times, picnics, parties, and other events are now in various stages of planning. This is a lot of work and we need volunteers. One area is the RV fishing trips, where we need a couple of Wagon Masters. See VP of Fresh Water, David Martinez, and he will fill you in on all the details. If you have any ideas or want to get involved, see one of our Directors, as there are tons

of other jobs where we could use some assistance. This is your club, so join one of the many committees that are required to make our projects successful throughout this new **2009** year.

Another example of a project that is underway and scheduled for late February is the Youth Day at Lake Dixon. Dave Gehrke is the Chairman of this committee, and will need a lot of help in various areas to make this day a success. This is also one of the undertakings that demonstrate how the Senior Anglers of Escondido give back to our community and to our Youth. We had a lot of fun working on this last year, and I'm looking forward to a fun day again. See Dave Gehrke for details, and to sign up for this team.

The 2009 Directory is being developed by our Membership Director, Minerva Martinez. She is adding pictures of our membership this year, so if you haven't had your picture taken for the directory, do so at our next meeting, or send a portrait of yourself and your spouse to Minerva. See Minerva for any questions or formats.

Remember, fish hard, fish often, and have a wonderful time on the water.

Catch you later,

Ron



What do you call a fish with no eyes?

Fsh

Youth Fish-Out

Dave Gehrke, Coordinator

The poles are fixed and ready to go in anticipation of Youth fishing Day on Feb.21st. A group of Anglers met at Tom Martinez's home to prepare some fishing poles. Those attending included Tom Martinez, Ron Parker, David Martinez, Ron Casapulla, Bob Posten, John Tester, Al Ashuckian, and Dave Gehrke. Thanks to these men for taking the time to help out. Special thanks go to Tom and Carmen Martinez for hosting the get-together and providing goodies.

Youth Fishing Day is the day that we Senior Anglers take 20 enthusiastic kids, who range in age from 9-12, fishing at Lake Dixon. After they go fishing and hiking, we serve up a delicious lunch for the kids, counselors, and all adults. The event starts at 8 a.m. and is over by 1 p.m. So please, sign up as a volunteer at the January meeting to get involved and experience the fun.

Dave

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> re: fishing for Salmon and Halibut in B.C.
Feb 20 th	Mitchell Perdue, Senior Biologist with the Naval Systems Engineering Command, San Diego
Mar 20 th	Ray LaBouze & Chad Houck of <i>B & C Auto Repair</i> re: getting your RV and towed vehicles safe and ready for extended trips after winter layover
Apr 17 th	Ernie Cowan, <i>North County Times</i> writer of <i>Fishing and Hunting Outdoors</i> weekly column

January Program

The speakers for our January 16th Escondido Senior Anglers meeting are Ronnie Kovach, television host of *Fishing Adventures* and Valerie Hoperich, owner/operator of *Queen Charlotte Safaris*, a first class fishing resort located in British Columbia. They will brief us on fishing for salmon, halibut, lingcod, and yellow eye snapper at Queen Charlotte, and their luxurious accommodations. This will be an informative and exciting program. They will also be prepared to answer questions on fishing in other parts of British Columbia and Alaska.

Bob

Membership

Minerva Martinez, Membership Director

Happy Anniversary!

January Anniversaries

6 th Bob & Karen Taylor	16 th David & Sandra Martinez
15 th Ron & Carol Parker	27 th Carroll & Leslie Saunders

Happy Birthday!

January Birthdays

4 th Jean Ostrow	18 th Bill Kirchnavy
5 th Jo Ciaraldi	18 th Bobbye Simpson
6 th Gerry Ciaraldi	20 th Ann Aldridge
7 th Mary Jane Fioretta	20 th Bob Bryden
10 th Gene Jennings	20 th Ronald Gonsalves
11 th Joyce Van Voorst	26 th Bill Borst
16 th Wil Cozzens	28 th Al Green

Minerva

Public Relations

Sharon Martineau, Public Relations Director

Just a note to say Happy New Year to All! We will be working on something special for next month and we hope you enjoy the article. In the meantime, shhhh! It's a secret project! Also, a reminder to all chairpersons: if you would like a newspaper article written about your project...let me know, and maybe we can get a picture to make your project special. Thanks and keep watching the news!

Sharon

Newsletter Naming Contest

Karen Entwistle, Correspondence Secretary

Have you thought of a great name for our newsletter yet? We will be asking you to give us your suggestions for our newsletter name at the January meeting. The Board of Directors will be selecting their favorite potential names, then they'll submit those to the members for a vote at the February meeting. The person who suggested the winning name will win a prize. You are welcome to submit as many potential names as you can think of...maybe one of those names will be the winner!

Karen

Calling Commitee

Dave Gehrke, Calling Director

We have a few new voices that will be calling to remind you about the upcoming meetings this year. I'd like to introduce the new people who have volunteered to be callers. They are Marlys Collum, Lou Fritz, Joyce VanVoorst, and Shelly Wagner (who will start in April after her trip to Australia.) They join an existing team of superb callers who are Peggy Borst, Betty Lewis, Carmen Martinez, Sandy Martinez, Kathy Martineau, Marilyn Prewett, Irene Richards, Mary Roy, Anne Sebourn, Theresa Smith, Sue Takemoto, and Jean Ostrow. I thank all of the ladies for providing a valuable service to our organization.

Dave

Salt Water Fishing

Barbara Gattuso, Salt Water Vice President

We have a great year of salt water fishing coming up this year. I am currently coordinating our 2009 schedule and will let you know as soon as I have some dates and times set.

Barb

Sunshine Report

Alice Lage, The Sunshine Director

The members who had surgeries in December are recovering nicely, though slowly.

Floyd Lamb had upper spine/neck surgery on December 16th, and went home the next day. He is out and about some for short distances. He has trouble walking very far. I guess we all have a "touch" of arthritis.

Al Green had a full shoulder replacement on December 16th. He had pieces replaced and a teflon socket inserted. He is doing as much as he can with his good arm and having post- surgery physical therapy on the other one.

Although Frank Juresich is no longer a member of the Senior Anglers, it was good news for my sunshine report to see him in church on Sunday. I also sent a get well card to Gene Jennings, a former member who is suffering from shingles.

Keep in touch with me, your Sunshine Lady.

Alice

Fresh Water Report

David Martinez, Fresh Water Vice President

Senior Anglers, Happy New Year, and I hope your Holiday Season went well. It's always nice during the Christmas season to be with family and spend some time together, but it's also nice to get it over with and know we can focus on some fishing time. Yes, our local lakes are all stocked with good size trout from Nebraska, with an average size of two pounds. So I suggest that you change your line on your reels and put on some fresh 4 lb. test line. Check your tackle box and restock it with fresh gear. Remember our club sells power bait at a really good deal. With fresh line and with your tackle box all restocked, we can start doing some fishing at Lake Wohlford on Thursdays. On the fourth Thursday, we will try another lake. That location will be mentioned at our general meeting on the third Friday of the month.



Lake Cahuilla Jan. 19th – 23rd 2009



This is our club's first freshwater campout of the year. Wagon Masters are George & Minerva Martinez with Assistant Wagon Masters, Larry & Betty Allen. George & Minerva have already issued the campout itinerary. It looks like we're going to have a great time with some good potluck dinners scheduled. This lake is near Palm Springs, in the La Quinta area. In the years past, fishing has

been very good there. Last year, David Gehrke caught a 5 lb. 8 oz. catfish and Al Ashuchian caught a 3 lb. 8 oz. trout. Although the campout is for only scheduled four days, most members will remain for a week. So if you not signed up for the campout and would like to come, check with the Wagon Masters. You will have to make your own reservations for a campsite, though. (Reservations # 1-800-234-7275 or www.riversidecountyparks.org) If you want to come over for a day, you're welcome to join us; it's only a short two hour drive the at the most. Weather in the past has been great, with day temperatures in the 70's and evenings in the 40's.

Lake Morena Feb 23rd - 27th 2009

Wagon Masters and Assistant Wagon Masters are all of the Martineau bunch. This lake has been really good to us. Last year Bob Taylor limited out, with a stringer of trout that I believe was over sixteen pounds, and most other members caught limits. Sign-ups will be at our next general meeting. (Reservations # 1-877-656-3600 or www.sdparcs.org.) The last time I talked to the Martineaus, they had close to 30 rigs signed up.



Wagon Masters Needed!


I need wagon masters for our Pinezanita campout in October 2009 and for our Lake Hemet campout in November 2009. I also need a wagon Master for our Lake Lopez trip in the year 2010. The reason we need to make arrangements so early is that we need to make reservations a year in advance. That means during the Lopez campout in April, we will be making reservations for our 2010 trip. Contact me if you are interested in helping out the club.

David

Mark Your Calendar

Senior Anglers of Escondido Activities

2009



Jan 19-23	Lake Cahuilla	Freshwater Campout
Feb 22 21	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



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