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A Line from your President....

I would like you all to join me in saying, "Thank heavens 2020 is over, and Happy New Year." It was a year filled with superlatives, and one that none of us will ever forget. Besides the worst pandemic in a century, we had a record fire year, a record hurricane season, volcanoes erupting, and an election like no other. But despite the gloom of last year, the New Year offers us much hope. Now that the year is over and vaccinations for Covid are on the way, we can all look forward to a gradual return to normalcy.

Though last year was tough, it gave us all a chance to spend time with our thoughts. After so much time with my thoughts I have just realized that I still have so many unanswered questions! I never found out why we don't ever see the headline "Psychic Wins Lottery"... why abbreviation is such a long word... why dyslexia is so hard to spell ... why lemon juice is made with artificial flavor yet dish-washing liquid is made with real lemons... why they sterilize the needle for lethal injections... and, why do you have to "put your two cents in" but it's only a "penny for your thoughts". Where's that extra penny going? Come to think of it, maybe I have spent too much time with my thoughts.

Anyway, I am looking forward to the time when we can all get together again. Until that time comes, please keep in touch with each other.

For those of you who have been fishing during the down time, please let **Albert Wilson** know about any freshwater fish you may have caught, and **Barbara Gattuso** know about your saltwater catches. You can find the fish report form at the end of each month's newsletter and in the Club's website. This helps us with information for the monthly newsletter and helps us keep the yearly records up to date. Photos for the newsletter are also greatly appreciated.

I want to end my letter by asking all of you to spend a moment remembering those current and past members who we lost this year. Please help me in remembering **Betty Wood, Beverly Cozzens, Shelley Wagner, Ross Ganados, James Lofthouse, and Clete West.**

Until we see you again, **Monique** and I would like to wish you all a Safe and Happy New Year!

Tony Smock
President

So Many Fish.....So Little Time



SALTWATER

Hi there, I don't have any Saltwater news this month. I do want to wish you all a very happy and health New Years.

I miss you all,

Barbara Gattuso
Saltwater Vice President

ON-SHORE FISHING

DECEMBER ON-SHORE TOURNAMENT

This month's On-shore Tournament was held on the morning of December 17th at Buccaneer Beach in Oceanside.

Marge Lovelady, Cheryl Brandstrom, Daria Gardynik, Jerry Watanabe, Jim Davidson and I enjoyed a cool (but not uncomfortable) morning with mild, weedless surf conditions and an extremely high tide.

We landed sixteen small barred perch using live mussels or worms. **Marge, Jim** and I each caught the largest fish, 3 oz perch and shared the \$30.00 pot.



Jerry and I pitched various swim baits in the hopes of landing a halibut but no such luck. **Jerry** did have a large corbina strike but it threw the hook when it jumped out of the water.

Yes, our fish were small, but you must remember we're fishing with light line and tackle and the fish that feed in the shallow surf hit hard and are unbelievable fighters.

ON-SHORE FISHING

JANUARY ON-SHORE TOURNAMENT

Our 2021 On-shore Fishing Tournament Season will begin January 19th on the Oceanside Fishing Pier (weather permitting). This is the Ocean, not the Harbor Pier, for you flatlanders. We will sign-up on the pier at 8:30 am and finish about 2:00 pm. The entry fee is \$5.00. If we have more than 10 anglers the pot will be split with half going to the person with the largest fish and half to the person with the most fish landed.

If you recall, this is where and about when, **Tom Galyean** landed his 1 lb. 2 oz. barred perch last year. He was using a live blood or lug worm dropped into the breaking surf.

First timers, there is a small kiosk that sells frozen bait and snacks along with a restaurant, but these may not be open.

If you have any questions or suggestions, direct them to my email (djcont@aol.com).

Don Continelli
Program Coordinator

MEMBERSHIP



1/6 **Michael Springer**
1/10 **Marilyn Francis**
1/13 **Donna Turrentine**
1/16 **Will Cozzens**
1/18 **Bill Kirchnavy**
1/19 **Fariba Talebi**
1/22 **Natalia Graf**
1/26 **Karen Springer**
1/26 **Bill Borst**
1/31 **Colleen Wilson**

Happy Anniversary

1/06 **Bob & Karen Taylor**
1/15 **Ron & Carol Parker**
1/16 **David & Sandra Martinez**

Happy New Year!

Linda Perdue
Membership Director

ON THE LIGHT SIDE



"We are all a little weird and life's a little weird, and when we find someone whose weirdness is compatible with ours, we join up with them and fall in mutual weirdness and call it love."
 ~ Dr. Seuss

Celebrating New Year 2020 2021



My bed is a magical place where I suddenly remember everything I forgot to do.



Contributed by Tony Smock and Barbara Gattuso

*CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2021

*	Jan 8	Zoom Meeting – Shawn Arnold, Publisher of the Fish Taco Chronicles - Winter Trout Fishing	Saltwater
*	Jan 19	On-Shore Surf Tournament—Oceanside Fishing Pier	

*This is usually about a page and a half long in January, full of all the fun events planned for the year. Hopefully we will be able to start filling it up soon.



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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