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A Line from your President....

I am happy to report that progress is being made towards the club being able to return to monthly meetings, but we will have to wait a little while longer. The Community Center's meal program hall is being renovated and will not be finished until at least August 1. In the meantime, they are using the auditorium where we normally meet as their temporary dining hall. Because of this, the city is not allowing large group meetings until the work on the dining hall is completed.

The Center is allowing smaller groups to meet in their meeting rooms, so I have asked to use the Cedar Room to restart the board of directors meetings. I am calling the board to meet on August 9th at 8:45 am so we can start planning for recruitment of new board members for 2022 and to plan our calendar for the remainder of the year.

The Board of Directors is the central core of the Senior Anglers of Escondido. Without a fully functioning board our organization will cease to exist. We have several vacancies that need to be filled on next year's board. I am asking all members to consider stepping up and volunteering to fill one of these vacancies. Being a member of the board comes with certain benefits including: having a say in future planning and changes to the Club, serving with other dedicated members and developing new bonds and friendships and the satisfaction of being a central part of a great organization. If you would like to be considered for a position on the board please contact me or any of the other Board members.

Fishing in local lakes has slowed down with catfish being the main species currently being caught. Beginning on July 9, Dixon Lake will begin allowing night fishing on Friday nights in the months of July, and hope to go to two nights a week in August. Anglers participating in night fishing must leave the park no later than 11:45 P.M.

So Many Fish.....So Little Time



A Line from your President....

Saltwater fishing is picking up with lots of Bluefin Tuna being caught on 1.5 day boats. Half day boats are targeting calico and sand bass and a variety of bottom fish.

Monique and I hope to see you all soon. In the meantime, go out and enjoy your summer. Do things you haven't been able to do for the past year, and have a great 4th of July.

Tony Smock
President

FRESHWATER

CAMPING

June Lake/Pine Cliff Resort — Sunday 9/12 to Sunday 9/19

Wagon Masters: **Linda and John Perdue**
Assistant Wagon Masters: **Ann Savage and Gary Beckman**

We are looking forward to our June Lake campout at Pine Cliff Resort. Many people have signed up and sent their cashiers check or money orders to me. Thank you!!

As a reminder, if you have not signed up yet or are one of the campers that contacted me and said you were interested, the cost will be \$45.80 per night \$320.60 for the week. A cashiers check or money order for \$160.00 made out to Pine Cliff Resort is the required deposit. The balance, \$160.60 **in cash**, is due upon arrival at Pine Cliff.

The \$160.00 cashiers check or money order and the information requested below must be received by me by **July 14th**.

Required Information:

1. Your name
2. Address, city, state, zip
3. Phone numbers and corresponding names
4. Number of nights you will be attending
5. Is this your first time here?
6. Number of People
7. Number of Pets
8. Two sites that you would like to have. You can call me if you have a question about which are available.
9. Is your vehicle a Motor home, Trailer, 5th wheel, Tent or a Rental?
10. Length of vehicle
11. Slide outs on drivers side: are in the Front Center Back
12. Would you be willing to make an appetizer or dessert to share?



Mail deposit and Information to:
Linda and John Perdue
905 Carriage Dr
San Marcos, CA 92069

Linda Perdue
Wagon Master

Fun times in the Sierras await you.....

SALTWATER

Fishing is very good and there are openings with the Rancho Bernardo club for some great trips. Friends and family are welcome.

July 21: It's an overnight Ensenada Rockfish trip. The cost is \$160 including breakfast.

July 28: It's an overnight/day trip, on the Voyager/Seaforth. The price is \$265, meals not included.

Frank Moton is the Charter Master. For reservations: call or email 858-220-0388, frankmoton@hotmail.com
Make your check payable to RB Anglers and send to Frank Moton, 1204 Las Nubes Ct., San Marcos, Ca.
92078

Barbara Gattuso
Saltwater Vice President

ON-SHORE FISHING

The June outing was not as successful as May, but five of us enjoyed the beach and just getting out fishing. We caught a total of three fish, with the largest one (6 oz. Corbina) caught by **Ron Bloom**. In attendance were **Cheryl Brandstrom, Marge Lovelady, Frank Mancha, Jim Davidson** and **Ron Bloom**.

We were fishing in the State Park system near Cardiff Beach. When **Ron** caught his fish and was bringing it in to weigh, we were visited by Ranger Michael. He asked to see Ron's fishing license. We learned that the State Park Rangers help out Fish and Game doubling as Game Wardens in the Park System. Of course, **Ron** had his fishing license and all was well, although with all the excitement we forgot to take a picture of his fish. A good reminder that we must always have our fishing license on us or in close proximity.

The next planned Surf Fishing outing will be on Monday July 26, 8:00 am. I'm thinking either Oceanside Harbor or somewhere near Oceanside Pier. I will check out both locations and confirm a week in advance. Again we will be fishing during a Grunion Run so I'm hoping the fishing will be good. It will be low tide when we start with high tide coming in.

Hoping to see more of you at our future outings. We have a great time, fish or no fish



Cheryl Brandstrom
On-Shore Chairperson

MEMBERS

Al Ashuckian

July 9, 1928 – May 29, 2021

Al and Lois Ashuckian were long time members of the Senior Anglers of Escondido. Al lost Lois in 2018. Both served as officers in our angling club, Al was president in 1999, treasurer several years prior to that and headed up many committees over the years. Lois also served as President. Al also was the go-to-guy at year end when asked to conduct internal audits of our clubs financials. Our membership, who represent diverse backgrounds and talents, had Al who was a financial and business professional where he managed an auditing team for major corporations. He was a major contributor to our organization in so many ways and one of the many quality members that we find on our roster. This gentleman will be missed by all.

Al was an avid fisherman, he just loved it, and he and Lois were part of our RV Fishing Trip group for many years until health forced them to sell their coach. He was also very active in the community fishing derbies and the Youth Day which the club sponsors and assists.

Actually the event known as Youth Day at the Lake was his brain storm many years ago. He, **Tomas Martinez** and myself sat in the first meeting with the YMCA and planned the event. Well, who would have known that this would be a major event every year since, except for the Pandemic year of 2020. A total of 13 or 14 consecutive years and he was at most of them doing what he could to make sure the kids had their fishing, hiking, BBQ lunch, did their crafts and played their games. In the early years of the event he did a lot of the leg work which garnered most of the food and prizes donated by various stores therefore reducing the cost to our club.



Al was also a major contributor by collecting gift certificates from local stores and restaurants which would be given away, as incentives to attend and stay beyond the break, at our meetings. What a guy!



At our Awards Banquet in 2014 Al was acknowledged for his efforts with the “Humanitarian of the Year”. I think this award was supposed to be a surprise but I’m not sure it was? Look at the beautiful red blazer this guy wore to the party. And catch his smile! This was a well-deserved tribute and probably long overdue for one of our terrific members.

A call a few years ago from Al went like this, “Want to go fishing at Lake Dixon? They’re open late and planting a lot of catfish. I’ve got a free pass for two plus a free boat rental. How about it?” I said, “sure let’s do it but have you ever gone catfishing?” Well, we went, and yes we caught some nice catfish. Guess who wanted to skin them and take them home to eat? YES, Al! It was a beautiful and fun evening and when he called to thank me for going I asked if he wanted to do it again. “Nope, getting in and out of that boat was harder than I thought! I don’t want to do that anymore”.

MEMBERS (CONTINUED)



After Al and Lois sold their RV, he was truly missing the trips. When the club journeyed to Lake Hemet he made arrangements to join us. Only a couple of hours by car from Escondido, he arrived at 7 am. We met him at the gate and headed to the lake. Part of our group chose to fish in the area we called “the peninsula”. Envision 10 or 12 senior anglers, including Al, lined up with their chairs, a couple of rods each and sharing stories that would fill many books. It was an incredible day and Al was in his glory hanging out with his buddies, and still part of the camping group.

We will all miss this ole fisherman, his dry humor, enthusiasm, guidance and his dependable help. He was one heck of a guy and one that is now home with his creator. No doubt lined up and sharing stories as we did on the shore of Lake Hemet.

RIP AI



Written by **Ron Parker**

MEMBERSHIP



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



- 7/07 **Brian & Patricia Doeing**
- 7/11 **Jim & Lynda Davidson**
- 7/13 **Ron & Loretta Casapulla**

A Big



To our
New Members

**Andres and
Kathy Hark**

Linda Perdue
Membership Director

FROM THE EASTERN SIERRA

Good news on CDFW stocking of the Eastern Sierra lakes. Announced a few weeks ago; the Hot Creek Hatchery was quarantined with the finding of the dreaded *Lactococcus Garvieae* virus. After a testing from all runways, only one fish was found to have the virus. And it was a bacterial strain that could, if needed, be treated prior to stocking. Stocking by CDFW has resumed on a limited capacity.

Check out a complete list of CDFW stocking schedules for California's inland waters on the CDFW website under "fish plants." Search by county, individual waters, or type of fish.

Meanwhile, local resorts, landings, and tourism agencies are continuing to buy and stock the Oregon Trophy trout – usually 3 – 5 lb. but some up to 9 lb.. So the theme this year is one or two big fish to post on Facebook, thus creating a buzz for the eastside in the angler community. Limits are few and far between. I have yet to see or hear of anyone catching a five-fish limit.

The ticket for July, with now warmer water, is early morning or late evening, when the sun is off the water. Ernie's suggests a four-foot, 2 lb. leader – six foot if using a dry fly/bubble. The usual baits/lures/flyies are all working. Believe it or not, according to our radio station's weekly fishing reports from **Ernie's in June Lake**, **Rick's Sport Center in Mammoth**, and **Convict Lake**, the trout's color preferences of Berkley Power Bait and Mice Tails do seem to change week-by-week. Strange? But true! Check in with any local tackle shop for the latest in colors.

Campers arriving without site reservations are being disappointed, finding most campgrounds full with many first come - first serve sites are now under the reservation system, snuck through by the Forest Service and their concessionaires during last summer's COVID-reduced attendance.

Several fishing tournaments are going on this summer from Convict Lake up to Walker Creek, with cash and prizes. Check out the Mono County's Tourism website. You can also subscribe for a nice and colorful "things-to-do" email update as well.

There's a Bass Tournament series ongoing on August 8 and October 2 in Bishop-area lakes. Bass? In the Eastern Sierra? Well attended it seems, even by some famous pros. I guess not everyone goes after our beloved trout.



As News & Sports Director for Bishop's KIBS 100.7 FM and AM 1230 KBOV radio, Ken recently found himself heading to the fire line of a recent big fire above Lone Pine.

Dedicated to news reporting, he'd still rather be fishing.

Ken Harrison
Programs and Public Relations

OUR CATCHES

LARGE SALTWATER FISH 2021

Class I Surf Fish: Cheryl Brandstrom— 2.20 lb. Corbina.

LARGE FRESHWATER FISH 2021

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



Jim Stevenson, Barbara Gattuso and Jerry Graf from their current Alaska trip.



Tony with one of four bass over 2 lbs. each.

SUNSHINE



A card was sent to the Ashuckian family on behalf of the club.

If you know of anyone who is ill or in need of some Sunshine please let me know.

THOUGHT OF THE MONTH

It is not how many years we live, but what we do with them.

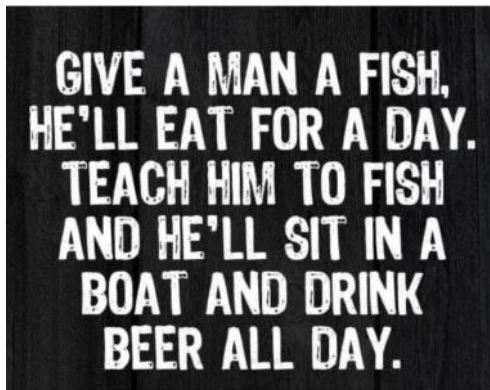
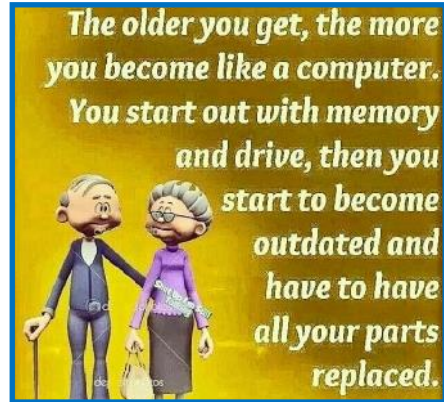
Let's never get tired of doing what is good....

Hope to see all your smiling, sunshine faces soon! Love to all.

Your Sunshine Gal,

Marge Lovelady

ON THE LIGHT SIDE



Contributed by Tony Smock and Barbara Gattuso

CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2021

*	July	On-Shore Fishing	Saltwater
	Sept 26-Oct 1	Jalama Beach Campout	Saltwater Camping
	Sept 12—19	June Lake	Freshwater Camp- ing
**	Oct 28-Nov 2	Cabo Trip	Saltwater

* New or Changed ** Non-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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