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Fish Tales from Your President's Perspective.

It's March already and for some reason March makes me melancholy. Not sure why that is because March is a time of renewal and change, but maybe that is the reason why I feel that way. So being a person who tries to figure things out, I thought why not look back so I can look forward. As I did, I found some interesting things. First it was 14 years ago in February when I was welcomed as a new member of Senior Anglers of Escondido. I know many of you have been members longer but to me that is something to be proud of and brings back a flood (no pun on the current weather) of special memories.

I remember that **Dave Gehrke** was our President and he and **Anitra** had just gotten a "new" Class A RV and I thought it was amazing. **Bob Taylor** was our Vice President of Freshwater, and they were planning a trip to Santee Lakes (sounds suspiciously familiar), a new destination for the club. **Ron Parker** was in charge of Youth Day at Dixon and that was the first event I participated in with the club. For some reason I really remember how good the hot dogs were that day. We had 8 saltwater charters that year with $\frac{3}{4}$ day boats going for \$50 and Coronado Island Trips were \$70. I booked my first charter with **Glenn Van Hest** as the charter master for the end of June. I can't remember how many fish I caught but I sure remember that the hamburger I got on board was outstanding.

The next event was the annual Fish Fry. What a spread of wonderful food. I was in seventh heaven with the huge variety of fish that was donated by members. And then there were those homemade curly potato chips made by **Will Cozzens** that were to die for.

I went on a tuna trip later in the year and was overwhelmed by the comradery of the folks on the boat. I had only been on cattle boats and let's say people weren't always friendly on those boats. This was so different. I had people helping me out and showing me what I was doing wrong and a couple of times someone actually cut my line for me because my fish had swum over their lines. But then something miraculous happened. A member caught a yellow fin tuna and when he brought

So Many Fish.....So Little Time



Fish Tales from Your President's Perspective. (continued)

it in, it wasn't the biggest fish by far and everyone was catching fish so why was this so special? Then I saw that the person who caught the fish had pulled out a large filet knife and some condiments and began slicing the tuna into thin slices. I knew for sure he was cutting everyone some new bait and thought how courteous that was. Then people started lining up to get the bait. I watched. They would take a couple of slices of the tuna and then they poured some soy sauce on it and spread some green stuff, wow a secret sauce like garlic spray for trout. What happened next astounded me, instead of baiting their hooks with the tuna they ate it; right there, totally raw! Disgusting! But no, not only did they say how great it was, they lined up for more. At this point curiosity got the better of me and I snuck over to the line and waited my turn to eat some bait. A shiver went up my spine – Paul are you nuts! It soon was my turn, and I was offered some of the tuna and I took it. I put some soy sauce on it and some of the green stuff (one of the guys said just take a little so I heeded his advice). I paused for a little and I took a bite. To my surprise this stuff was great. I asked for more and he graciously cut up some more. I asked what this wonderful discovery was called? He said Sashimi. I can't remember how many pieces I ate that day, and the funny thing is I can't remember how many more fish I caught either.

At this point, in writing this letter, I realized I wasn't feeling melancholy anymore but I was feeling excited about the fantastic activities and events we will be having this year at Senior Anglers of Escondido. I looked at the clock and realized it was a little after 3 pm, and I hadn't had anything to eat since a Danish and tea for breakfast. It made me wonder, was I melancholy or was I just hungry?

Have a great March everyone and I hope to see you all at the general meeting March 8.

Paul Lorson
President

PROGRAMS

March Speaker : **April Esconde**



California Department of
Fish and Wildlife

The CDFW manages and protects the state's wildlife, wildflowers, trees, mushrooms, algae, and native habitats. The department is responsible for regulatory enforcement and management of related recreational, commercial, scientific, and educational uses. The department also prevents illegal poaching. CDFW wardens are armed law enforcement officers with statewide arrest authority. Their mission is to enforce California state laws related to hunting, fishing, pollution, endangered species, and wildlife habitat destruction. However, they can enforce any state law, anywhere in the state. Vehicles used range from patrol pickups to boats, catamarans, four-wheelers, snowmobiles, horses, helicopters, and planes. The wardens investigate, collect evidence, serve search warrants, arrest criminals, and ensure public safety. Wardens patrol the state of California and 200 miles off the coast. April has a background in animal science and wildlife management and will discuss changes in state regulations regarding fishing and boater safety.

Bill Modi
Programs

FRESHWATER

FEBRUARY TROUT CHALLENGE

Hello fellow anglers. The morning started out cold, but after the sun came up it was a beautiful day for our Challenge. We had plenty of refreshments: brownies, hot dogs and trimmings, chips, macaroni and potato salad and sodas . There were 4 trout caught. The winner was one of our newer members **Kevin Lord**, with a 2 lb. .02 ounce trout caught on a night crawler with power bait. The 2nd place winner was **Brian Schultz** with a 1 lb. 1.4 ounce trout on power bait.



There were thirteen members in the challenge. Thanks guys for showing up and I hope you had as much fun as I did.



Bob Taylor receiving the coveted Large Fish of the Month Award for his catch at Lake Yucaipa in January.

UPCOMING CAMPOUTS

Lake Hemet Campout - March 24-28 **Wagon Masters: Rich and Cindy Bruemmer**

We have 9 rigs signed up to camp and catch fish at Lake Hemet. The lake is scheduled to do another stocking just before the week so great fishing is anticipated. It should be a great week for all!

For those of you that have been before, there is a new, much nicer area, where we will be camped right by the water.

If you are interested in coming for all or part of this trip, please contact Cindy at 760-749-8239.

Cuyamaca/Pinezanita Campout - May 27-Jun 1

Wagon Masters: Tony and Monique Smock

The May campout will be at Pinezanita Campground near Lake Cuyamaca. The 5 night cost will be \$270. If you are interested in joining us you will need to make your reservation directly with the Park Office at (760) 765-0429 no later than April 30. When you reserve let them know you are with Tony Smock and the Senior Anglers of Escondido. We have set aside campsites 181 to 188 and site 231. The Wagon Master site will be site 184A. Once you have booked a site please contact Monique at monique818@sbcglobal.net.

Al Wilson
Freshwater Vice President

SALTWATER

Hi Everyone,

There hasn't been too much to report on salt water fishing. I hope you all had a great month even though it was raining cats and dogs! Wouldn't it be nice if it rained fish like trout and tuna?

We received the Oceanside Senior Anglers trip schedule. It is on the following page.

We do have a new opportunity to join the Rancho Bernardo Club for a trip. Contact Frank Moton if you are interested at 858 220-0388 or fmoton803@gmail.com

Ensenada Day Trip with Rancho Bernardo Club

March 12 or May 9 This is the plan:

Ten people at \$175 each.

Van pick up at 6 am at Brown Field

Breakfast on the boat - Ensenada

Bottom or Game Fishing

The boat returns to Ensenada at 3 to 4:00pm

Fish are filleted for tips

Maybe dinner in Ensenada and return to Brown Field

Rich Bruemmer
Saltwater Vice President

ON SHORE FISHING

I plan to get a schedule out for our 2024 On Shore Fishing in the next week or two.

Cheryl Brandstrom
On-Shore Chairperson

OUR CATCHES

LARGE FISH OF THE YEAR



Freshwater Class I - Jerry Watanabe	5 lb. 04 oz. Bass
Onshore Fishing Gene Smallwood	1.06 lb. Jack Smelt



Contact the listed Charter Master if you are interested in joining some of these trips.

**O.S.A.
2024 CHARTER SCHEDULE**

DATES	DAYS	TYPE	LOCATION	BOAT	LANDING	C/M	Phone	Spots	Cost
JAN									
FEBRUARY									
7 & 8	W & TH	O/N	Islands	Relentless	H&M	B Modi	760-580-3254	14	360
MARCH									
19, 20 & 21	T, W & TH	2	Colonet	Relentless	H&M	D Evans	951-551-7885	13	668
APRIL									
3, 4 & 5	W, TH & F	1.5	Cortes	Relentless	H&M	C Bentley	909-921-1855	13	530
MAY									
8, 9, & 10	W, TH & F	1.5	60 Mile	Relentless	H&M	K Kissinger	760-803-9752	13	530
JUNE									
5, 6 & 7	W, TH & F	1.5	Clemente	Blue Horizon	Sea Cent	S O'Brien	760-419-0714	12	550
JULY									
14, 15 & 16	SUN, M & T	1.5	Offshore	Relentless	H&M	B Modi	760-580-3254	14	595
22	Tues	3/4	Inshore	Blue Horizon	Sea Cent	P DiTullio	951-852-3660	16	119
AUGUST									
6, 7 & 8	T, W & Th	EX 1.5	Offshore	Blue Horizon	Sea Cent	J Mauritz	760-450-7060	12	550
8	Th	3/4	Inshore	Blue Horizon	Sea Cent	J Mauritz	760-450-7060	16	119
14	Wed	FULL	RockCod	Blue Horizon	Sea Cent	J Mauritz	760-450-7060	13	242
26	Mon	3/4	Inshore	Blue Horizon	Sea Cent	R Reed	530-313-8884	16	119
		FULL							
SEPTEMBER									
9, 10, 11 & 12	SU, M, T & W	2.5	Offshore	Relentless	H&M	D Carter	951-388-9148	17	790
16	Mon	3/4	Inshore	Blue Horizon	Sea Cent	S O'Brien	760-419-0714	16	119
		FULL							
		FULL							
OCTOBER									
1, 2, 3 & 4	T, W, Th & F	2.5	Offshore	Relentless	H&M	J Mauritz	760-450-7060	17	790
NOVEMBER									
5, 6 & 7	T, W & TH	1.5	60 Mile	Relentless	H&M	D Carter	951-388-9148	13	530
DECEMBER									
6, 7 & 8	F, S & SU	EX 1.5	SC Island	Blue Horizon	Sea Cent	J Mauritz	760-450-7060	12	550

COMMUNITY EVENTS

LAKE DIXON FISHING DERBY

The next Escondido Fishing Derby and Kiddie Pond is 9 weeks away, and already there are 9 volunteers signed up to help out. The dates are April 27 and 29. While the derby is getting covered fairly well, we still need help on the Kiddie Pond; there are 4 shifts, with only two people so far. If you haven't yet seen the Kiddie Pond, check around at the next couple meetings -- this is one of the best, most fun activities of the year. There are usually high school Key Clubbers, and several Kiwanis members on site, but sometimes a little more expertise is in order (Turn The Crank Now, You Got One!)

Sign up at the next club meetings, March 8 and April 12.

Gary Beckman
Community Events

ON THE LIGHTER SIDE



Submitted by Tony Smock



Submitted by John Tester

MEMBERSHIP

FISHING FOODIES

The January winner of the \$25 Fishing Foodie gift card to Shakey's Pizza was **Gene Smallwood**. A number of us enjoyed the salad, pizza, pasta and chicken bar, while others had Fried Chicken and Chicken sandwiches.



The March Fishing Foodie Gift card will be to **The Olive Garden**

We will meet there after our March 8 the meeting. Come and join us.

The winners of the Opportunity Drawing were:

- Gary Beckman**
- Linda Ogilvie (2)**
- Earl Brown**
- Al Wilson**
- Dan Englebrecht**
- Jeff Routsong**

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 Maclsaac

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

SUNSHINE

Thinking of You cards were sent to **Dick Reed**, who had heart surgery and to **Ann Savage** who had cataract surgery. Wishing both a speedy recovery.

Sandy's Martinez's mother passed recently. A sympathy card was sent to **Dave and Sandy** on behalf of the club.



DID YOU KNOW?



A dog's nose print is unique, much like a persons finger print.

Joann Jauert
Sunshine

CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2024

	Mar 8	Board and General Meetings April Esconde, Game Warden, State of California, Department of Fish and Wildlife	
*	March 24-28	Lake Hemet Campout	Freshwater
	April 12	Board and General Meetings Larry Hansen, Pacific Sportfishing Alliance	
	April	Campout	Freshwater
	April 27-28	Kiwanis Fish Derby	Community Event
	April 30	Time Out Tuesday	Club Event
	May 10	Board and General Meetings	
	May	Spring Fling	Club Event
	May 19	Escondido Street Fair	Community Event
*	May 27-Jun 1	Cuyamaca/Pinezanita Campout	Freshwater
	June 14	Board and General Meetings	
	June 25	Time Out Tuesday	Club Event
	July 12	Board and General Meetings	
	July	Summer Picnic	Club Event
	Aug 9	Board and General Meetings	
	Aug 26	Time Out Tuesday	Club Event
	Sept 13	Board and General Meetings	Club Event
	Sept 15-22	June Lake Campout	Freshwater
	Oct 11	Board and General Meetings	
	Oct	Campout	Freshwater
	Oct 28	Time Out Tuesday	Club Event
**	Oct 28-Nov 2	Cabo Trip	Saltwater
	Nov 8	Board and General Meetings	
	Nov	Fall Feast	Club Event
	Dec	Escondido Kiwanis Fish Derby	Community Event
	Dec	Awards Banquet and Holiday Party	Club Event
	Dec 13	Board Meeting	

**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





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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