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A Line from your President...

Those of you who did not attend the Catfish Challenge on August 22nd missed out on a great experience. We fished under a cool starlit sky, enhanced by the sight of the boat and dock lights reflecting off the water. Just before sunset, while we were fishing on the buoy line, we were treated to a parade of 6 coyotes walking across the dam, one of whom had only three legs. After it got dark the coyotes serenaded us with their mournful howls. Like many raucous parties, the coyote gathering turned into a fight, and we could hear their snarls and growls and could hear the yelps from the apparent losers. Though it was not a wide open bite, most of us ended up with one or two catfish on our stringers.

Since many of the camping group, including myself, will be gone during the September meeting, **Ken Harrison** will be filling in for me. He will be presenting an updated version of the crowd pleasing program he presented last September. Various club members will be regaling you with stories of their fishing exploits. This will be accompanied by a slide show of some outstanding fish and fishing locals from their fishing adventures.

We still need to fill **Hank Skaja's** position of Community Events Director on the Club's Board of Directors. This position consists of organizing and signing up volunteers for three events during the year; the two Trout Derbies at Dixon Lake and Youth Day. If you would like to become more involved with helping to make decisions for the club, and if you would like to get to better know those who work behind the scenes to make our club a success, please contact myself or **Hank Skaja**.

Fishing off the coast is heating up. Full day and longer boats are experiencing a great tuna bite. Especially for Yellowfin, with lots of Yellowfin limits being taken. Bluefin and Yellowtail are also making a good showing. San Diego based half day boats are bringing in good catches of bottom fish. Up in Oceanside the Chubasco II is catching impressive numbers of Calico Bass. It is time to get out and get your line wet.

Tony Smock
President



So Many Fish.....So Little Time



PROGRAMS

Our September meeting will be the club's annual Summer Fishing In Review program We will highlight member's fish tales, with photos to prove, from around California, Baja, and the West.

SAE member and past president, **Jim Stevenson**, will show off his club record 35 lb. King Salmon caught on his recent trip to Sitka, Alaska. Jim currently holds the club's 2019 largest fish record with an 80 lb. BluefinTuna.



Other guest speakers will be **Ron Casapulla and Hal Reeser** recapping their Shelter Cove Salmon trip in Northern California. Two members will share about a new charter service they've been on, that makes Baja fishing EZ Peazy – Baja Fishing Convoys will pick up at Brown Field, travel by van to Ensenada, spend the day fishing on a beautiful boat, stop at a local Taqueria for dinner, and return by bus. The club has our 8-person trip scheduled for November 25.

Members **Ken Harrison, John Jessop, and Don Continelli** will show off fish and techniques from the club's ongoing monthly Surf Fishing Tournaments, held up and down the SoCal coast.

Paul Lorson will offer a loving tribute to his father-in-law **Ray Beven**, labeled by many members as the best fisherman in the club. Beven passed away earlier this year.

Ken Harrison
Programs

FRESHWATER

UPCOMING CAMPING TRIP



Pinezanita, Cuyamaca October 13-18

Betty Allen has made arrangements for this outing. She will not be at the September meeting, But Linda Perdue will be taking sign-ups. See her if you are interested in joining us.

This is a beautiful, wooded campground, and there are some rentals for those who don't have RVs. It's a short drive, so we often have folks come up for a day of fishing and a meal with the campers.

Santee Lakes November 3-7

It is time to sign up for the Santee Lakes campout. This is always a popular outing since it is the closest to home. For those of you interested in joining us please contact **Monique Smock** at

monique818@sbcglobal.net. You must sign up and give your check to Monique by October 1.

For those who would like to try one of our outings, but do not have an RV, the park has several floating cabins that can be reserved on the outing dates. You can see these cabins and make reservations on the Santee Lakes web site.

FRESHWATER

We will be heading up to June Lake soon (September 8 to 15). The last report from the campground was that most lakes have lots of water and the weather is very pleasant. Colleen and I will be Wagon Masters for the trip. If you have any questions please call us at 760-310-3750.

CATFISH DERBY

We had a beautiful evening for the Catfish Challenge at Lake Dixon on Thursday, 8/22. There were a total of 8 members attending and a total of 8 fish caught. The Challenge winner was **Tony Smock** with a 2 lb. 2.9 oz. catfish. The bait of choice was cut mackerel. Fish were caught by the buoy line and Whisker cove.

LARGE FISH 2019

Class I **Tony Smock** - 7 lb. 14oz. Trout

Albert Wilson
Freshwater Vice President

SALTWATER

The day trip to Ensenada with Baja Convoys that was announced via e-mail, as of this writing, has only 4 spots left. Contact Barbara: bgattuso@san.rr.com or 858-774-6724 call or text. The cost is \$125 this year and will go up to \$156 in 2020.

The Rancho Bernardo Club has spots on Oct 7-9 for a 1.5 day trip on the Relentless. The cost is \$375. Call **Frank Moton** 858-220-0388. Remember our Club Share trips are considered Class I, so be sure to bring a Large Fish report with you.

The MPA (Marine Protection Agency) is cracking down on people fishing in protected areas. If you are either surf fishing or fishing a private boat be sure to know where that invisible line is.

LARGE FISH 2019

Class I **Jim Stuka** 3 lb. 9 oz. Red Rockfish Class II **Jim Stevenson** 80 lb. Bluefin Tuna

Class I Surf Fish **Don Continelli** 2 lb. 8oz. Corbina

Class II **Cheryl Brandstrom** 8 oz. Corbina

I will be out of the country from Sept 7-Oct 15.

Happy Fishing,

Barbara Gattuso.
Saltwater Vice President

SALTWATER

SURF FISHING REPORT

.From the shores of Silver Strand State Beach . . .



The August Surf Fishing Tournament was held at Silver Strand State Beach, south of Coronado, on August 11 and 12. It was the first ever Surf Fishing Tourney that was also a camp out (other than the annual San Onofre campout). Competing members were **Frank Mancha, Dan Engelbrecht, Cheryl Brandstrom, Jim Reser, and Don Continelli**. It was a beautiful beach that was relatively uncrowded, but the lack of sand crabs and a tremendous amount of sea grass and kelp created very poor fishing conditions.

There were mixed reviews about the campground. It is your typical California State Beach. A large parking lot lined with campsites slightly larger than those at the local supermarket. There were electric and water hook ups at each site.

The largest fish caught was **Jim Reser's** shovelnose shark. Unfortunately, Jim didn't weigh it. He also caught a small barred perch. **Cheryl Brandstrom** landed a 4-ounce Corbina. **Frank Mancha and Don Continelli** caught small barred perch that weighed less than 3 ounces.



Tournament Leaderboard

Don Continelli is the tournament's largest fish leader with a 2 lb. 8 oz. Corbina. **Frank Mancha and Don Continelli** are co-leaders in the most fish caught category (8 fish each) followed by **Cheryl Brandstrom** with 5 fish and **Tony Smock** with 4 fish.

The Club's next surf fishing tourney will be a four-day campout competition at Jalama County Beach, north of Santa Barbara. The campout is on Sunday, September 29 through Wednesday, October 2. Those that signed up will be given the itinerary at the next meeting or by email.

ON THE LIGHT SIDE

Submitted by John Testor

Stop by and get your free raffle tickets, John.



APPAREL

Apparel has two fishing caps at \$14 each and several SAE shopping bags for \$5 each. Come see me at the back table if you are interested.

Linda Perdue
Apparel

COMMUNITY EVENTS

ESCONDIDO TROUT DERBY

I will start taking sign-ups for the Escondido Trout Derby at our September meeting. It will be held on the first weekend in December. This Derby is a lot like the Kiwanis Derby, except it is over three days, instead of two which means it will require more help.

The plan is to have three volunteers at the weigh station, both morning and afternoon and five at the Kiddy Pond for each of the four time periods. This requires a lot, but if we are going to do outstanding work, which makes the Club look great, we need plenty of help. If you can work more than one period, your help will be greatly appreciated.

Please mark your calendars so you can help on this busy weekend.

I'll see you at the meeting ,

Hank Skaja
Community Events

KIWANIS TROUT DERBY

Senior Anglers Play Big Part in Record Bass

Most anglers throughout Southern California have heard about the record breaking large mouth bass caught at Escondido's Dixon Lake in April. It officially became a new International Game Fish Association's record for the women's 4-pound line class, at 11-pounds, 8-ounces, almost tripling the previous record.

During Escondido's annual Kiwanis Trout Derby, Temecula resident Tracy Hartman caught the large fish on a trout rig casting from shore in about 20 feet of water.

"They put the fish in a tub of water and brought it up to our weigh-in station," said Ron Parker, one of the Senior Anglers of Escondido's weigh masters. The club provides the official scales and weigh-ins for the lake's derbies.

Immediately after the weigh-in, the bass was released back into the lake. The rangers started investigating the IGFA size and records, and the paperwork needed. The IGFA needed more than just photos. They needed certification, witnesses, and most of all, an accurate scale.

"We took our scale to the San Diego County Department of Weights and Measures to be certified, " said Parker. Sure enough, lucky for Hartman, the Senior Anglers scale was certified as right on the money – totally accurate to the 100th of a pound.

"I think we're the ones that got her the record in the books," said Parker.



Article by Ken Harrison

CLUB EVENTS

AUGUST PICNIC

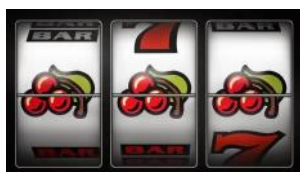


Out Chair Ladies



Another lovely evening at Lake Dixon. This time we were treated to a pulled pork dinner with all the side dishes and desserts you could mange to eat. **Pat Stevens** and **Cheryl Brandstrom** did a fantastic job. We did have a mishap that put the damper on the fun for our friend **Pat**, which ended up with some broken bones in her foot.

VIEJAS BUS TRIP



We need a few more sign-ups. If you haven't signed up and want to or you have and still need to pay, see **Cheryl Brandstrom** at the October meeting. The date is November 11.



Remember if you don't want to spend the whole day at the casino, there is always the outlets stores, where you can shop, shop, shop. .

CPR/AED CLASS

Barbara Gattuso will be offering another CPR/AED class on November 8. The class is normally \$45 per person and she is only charging \$10 for material for our club.

FALL FEAST and AWARDS BANQUET

It seems like ages away, but we'll soon be taking sign-ups for these two special annual events. The Fall Feast will be November 15 and the Awards Banquet will be December 5. Sign-ups will start soon.

SPOTLIGHTING OUR MEMBERS

This month I want to tell you about two of our Members that contribute to every General meeting and every event. **Michael Springer**, our Opportunity Drawing Director and **Karen, Mike's** wife and assistant. The two collect prizes and conduct the drawing to the benefit of the club and add some excitement to our gatherings.

Gary Farrar
Historian

MICHAEL AND KAREN (CORNELIUS-CORDEIRO)SPRINGER

I (Karen) was born and raised in San Diego. I was married at 20 and had one daughter. While living in Hawaii I worked for Hickam Air Force base and Tripler NCO club. When I came back to the mainland I worked for Emcon in Sorrento Valley for 10 years, then for Eastman Kodak for 18 years. I worked at Torrey Pines research for 4 years. I loved electronics.

I started making jewelry as a hobby. I have loved bringing my beads to camp outs and helping people make something beautiful. I also love quilting and the ladies in the club have inspired me to try new things.

Michael was born in Mt Vernon, Washington. He has an identical twin and a younger brother. He moved to Carlsbad at the age of 6 months and his mom bought 3 acres in San Marcos when he was 5 years old. We live on the same property today. He has 3 daughters from his first marriage. He went in the Army in El Paso in 1965 and was stationed in Greece for 2 years. He worked as foreman for SDG&E for 35 years. Among his other hobbies, Mike is an RC Airplane Flyer.

I met **Mike**, of all places, on Matchmaker.com. My girlfriend at the time said they had a free month. I said no because I worked 40+ hours a week and took care of my granddaughters on the weekends. My girlfriend didn't take no for an answer and put my photo on the website. On the last day of the free month, Mike wrote to me. His daughter had put Michael on the same web site! We went on a date and that was all it took. We will celebrate our 20th anniversary on March 14. We have a combined 4 daughters, 8 grandchildren and 3 great grandchildren. Oh what a ride it has been!



We both love fishing and joined the Oceanside Senior Anglers, where we heard about the Escondido Senior Anglers. It sounded like a great fit because we have an RV and love to camp. We have had great times camping and fishing with the group. We also have passion for helping kids fish, so the annual Youth Day and the Kiddies Pond at the Derbies are perfect for us. Mike and I love doing the opportunity drawing because we get to meet and talk to most of the members.

MEMBERSHIP



- 9/2 **Tony Smock**
- 9/5 **Paul Wilton**
- 9/5 **Marcia Walker**
- 9/8 **Leslie Wilton**
- 9/8 **Gloria Continelli**
- 9/11 **Jim Walker**
- 9/14 **Barbara Gattuso**
- 9/14 **Linda Perdue**
- 9/16 **Ann Savage**
- 9/17 **Pat Mancha**
- 9/18 **Bob Prewett**
- 9/19 **Harold Reeser**
- 9/22 **Al Phares**
- 9/23 **Jeannie Cusack**
- 9/24 **Richard Montague**
- 9/28 **Donald Continelli**
- 9/29 **Debbie Grauer**
- 9/29 **Bill Modi**



- 9/3 **Warren & Nat Estes**
- 9/3 **Waylan Smedley & Pat Stevens**
- 9/3 **Robert & Alice Lage**
- 9/13 **Dave & Anitra Gehrke**
- 9/24 **James & Diane Lofthouse**
- 9/27 **Larry & Betty Allen**



Lunch after Meeting News

We had a nice group lunch last month at Chili's. **Hank Skaja** won the free lunch.

After our Sept. 13 meeting, we will go to **The Old Spaghetti Factory**.

Hope to see you there



Pat Stevens
Membership

SUNSHINE

Happy sunny days to all of you!! We had good news that **Dick Montague** is recovering well from his surgery.

I sent out a card to **Pat Stevens** last week. Unfortunately, she fell at the picnic and broke 2 bones on the top of her foot! She will have to wear a foot brace for 8 weeks. **Waylan** is taking good care of her.

We had bad news from the **Perdues**. **John's** indigestion turned out to be a heart attack. The good news is that he got to the hospital, they inserted a stent, and he was home the next day, and is doing very well.

Warren Estes had accident on a ladder that landed him in the hospital for three days. He is healing slowly from broken ribs and a punctured lung.

THOUGHT OF THE MONTH

When we do the best that we can, we never know what miracle is wrought in our life, or in the life of another.

Your Sunshine Gal,

Marge Lovelady

AUGUST MEETING



Jim Stevenson and John Jessop got “pinned” for their August catches,



Tony Williams, creator and owner of **Bite-On Baits** was a great speaker, full of fishing tips and enthusiasm.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2019

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|----|----------------|--|--|--------------------|
| | Sept 8-15 | June Lake Campout | | Freshwater Campout |
| | Sept 13 | Meeting | Senior Anglers Year in Review | |
| | Sept 29 –Oct 3 | Saltwater Campout | Jalama County Park-Surf Fishing | Saltwater Campout |
| | Oct 11 | Meeting | | |
| | Oct 13-18 | Campout | Pinezanita/Cuyamaca | Freshwater Campout |
| ** | Oct 30—Nov 4 | Cabo Trip | | |
| | Nov 3-7 | Lake Santee Campout | Santee Lakes Campground | Freshwater Campout |
| | Nov 8 | Meeting | | |
| | Nov 15 | Fall Feast | | Club Event |
| | Dec 5 | Awards Banquet and Holiday Party Bernardo | The County Club of Rancho | Club Event |
| | Dec 6 —8 | Escondido Trout Derby | Dixon Lake | Community Event |
| | Dec 11 | Viejas Trip | | Club Event |

* 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



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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