



# HOOK, LINE & SINKER

FISH AND PLAY THE SENIOR ANGLER WAY

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## September—Volume 48 Issue 9

### *Fish Tales from Your President's Perspective.*

What a difference a month makes! As you know, we had a shocker from the City of Escondido, who will raise our rent by over 400%. In our meeting last month, we announced the increase and that we could not afford to pay those fees. We asked everyone to put on their thinking caps and look for alternatives; sure enough, you guys came through. As we said in our special email blast, we have begun the process to meet at the American Legion, right next door to the Senior Center, starting with our January 10, 2025 meeting. I can't thank all of you enough for your ideas, support, and well wishes. This club is awesome.

Now, on to even more fun stuff, fishing, camping, and getting together. Our annual trek to the Eastern Sierras is almost upon us. We have a strong showing of members coming up for what should be a fantastic trip. Oh yeah, since the weather is all discombobulated, the campground we are staying at is supposed to have had its first snow by the time we get there. It should be a wonderful trip with great vistas, great fishing, and great friends.

For those of you who missed the catfish challenge, you missed a fantastic evening with great weather and calm waters. The only problem was that the fish decided not to show up, with a total of three fish caught. You will get more info on that at the meeting.

More fishing and feeding coming up soon. Remember to start getting stuff ready for our auction coming up at the Fall Feast.

We are still looking for members to join us on next year's board; let any board member know of your interest.

See you at the meeting and hopefully out there fishing.

*Paul Lorson*  
**President**

So Many Fish.....So Little Time



## PROGRAMS

### September Speaker: Brian Nguyen of Live Bait Flylining Actuals

Brian Nguyen brings over two decades of sales, marketing, product development, and technical experience in the fishing tackle industry. Having represented some of the finest names in manufacturing, Brian's expertise with fishing equipment and his knack for recognizing new trends have helped to pioneer some of the finest rods, reels, lures, and techniques on the market today.

His tenure in the fishing tackle trade allowed fishing opportunities in many places, but his passion lies in the saltwater fishery of Southern California. With Local and Long Range fishing experience, his passion for the sport and industry, and his desire to help others understand and use products make him one of the West Coast's most sought-after advisers and outfitters.



•Bait tank standards  
 •Bait Selection  
 •Hook Placement  
 •Boat Drift  
 •Procedural Casting  
 •Rod and reel handling  
 •Expectation of a bite  
 •Rail Awareness

SPORTFISHING WORKSHOP

**FLYLINING ACTUALS**

A fundamental skill of the 10% who catch 90% of the fish

*Bill Modi*  
Programs

## FRESHWATER

### UPCOMING CAMPOUTS

#### Creekside RV Park—September 15-22

**Wagon Masters: Al and Colleen Wilson**



The Bishop Creekside campout has generated great interest. Currently, we have 12 rigs with reservations at the campground, and some members have reserved accommodations at or near the campground.

The itinerary will be sent out soon. If you have a portable propane campfire, please bring it along. We have friends who are camping up by Mammoth this week. They have had a light dusting of snow and bear sightings at their campground. It sounds like we should prepare for any kind of weather.

Call **Colleen or Al Wilson** at 760-310-3750 with any questions.

#### Santee Lakes – November 3-7

**Wagon Masters: Tony and Monique Smock**

We are looking forward to our Santee Lakes campout. This should be a good time to go since it is the opening of trout season and the Lakes will be stocking trout on November 1. We've got a great group signed up. Its going to be a fun outing. If you are interested in joining us and want to reserve a spot, please contact Monique at

# MORE FRESHWATER

## CATFISH CHALLENGE

Nine club members arrived at the lake for the challenge. The weather was warm but continued to cool down during the evening. Members rented two boats and a pontoon. Most of the fishing was done by the bouy line ( with cut mackerel). Three catfish were caught. **Bill Colwell** got two, and the winner. It came in at 4.62 lbs. **Kevin Shultz**, on the same boat, also got a catfish.

Thanks to  
showed up.



everyone



who

*Al Wilson*  
Freshwater Vice President

# SALTWATER

It's that time again - a new month is upon us! Our club members, Gerry Graf and Jim Stevenson, and non-club members made a 6-day catching trip to Sitka, Alaska. The fishing was excellent, with catches of King Salmon, Silver Salmon, Chum, and Halibut. One lucky person in the group (non-club member) caught two Halibuts, each 125lb. Now that is catching!



Let's have some great "catching" in September! Remember to send in your fishing reports and pictures. See the following page for the Oceanside Charter Schedule.

*Rich Bruemmer*  
Saltwater Vice President

# ON SHORE FISHING

FEBRU-

Our last outing was on Friday, August 23. Three Anglers attended the event: Jerry Watanabe, Ron Bloom, and me. My daughter and grandson Klaus were there, too. As always, Klaus entertained us. We could see fairly good-sized Corbina in the surf; however, we couldn't get them to bite. Someone nearby caught two nice-sized Corbina earlier on. Sandcrabs seemed to be the best bait, although we tried everything.

We ate well. Jerry brought us some sausages and cooked them on the beach. I supplied potato salad and fresh watermelon. Yummy!!

Our next outing has yet to be scheduled for September. I will check tides, moon phases, etc., and email the information. I hope to see you there.



*Cheryl Brandstrom*  
On Shore Chairperson



OCEANSIDE SENIOR ANGLERS CHAR- TERS									
DATE	DAY	TYPE	LOCA- TION	BOAT	LAND- ING	CM	PHONE	LOA D	COS T
<b>Sept</b>									
5	Thurs	Full	Offshore	Voyager	Seaforth	P DiTullo	951-852-3660	15	\$222
9,10,11,12	S, M, Tues	2.5	Offshore	Relentless	H&M	D Carter	951-338-9148	17	\$790
16	Mon	3/4	Inshore	Blue Horizon	Sea Cent	R Reed	530-313-8884	16	\$119
20	Fri	Full	Offshore	Voyager	Seaforth	C Bently	909-921-1855	15	\$222
<b>Oct</b>									
1,2,3,4	T,W,Th,F	2.5	Offshore	Relentless	H&M	J Mauritz	760-450-7060	17	\$790
8	Tues	Full	Offshore	Voyager	Seaforth	F Moton	858-220-0388	15	\$222
<b>Nov</b>									
5,6,7	T,W,Th	1.5	60 Mile	Relentless	H&M	D Carter	951-338-9148	13	\$530
<b>Dec</b>									
6,7,8	F,S,Sun	EX 1.5	SC Island	Blue Horizon	Sea Cent	J Mauritz	760-450-7060	12	\$550

## COMMUNITY EVENTS

The Grape Day Festival is September 15th this year. We would like 2 or 3 more volunteers to pass out flyers and tell people about our club. You can sign up at the club meeting on September 13th. This is a fun event under the trees at Grape Day Park; there will be music, food, and grape stomping. We still need a couple of people for the afternoon.

Please mark your calendar for October 20th, the next Escondido Street Faire. We will be in a booth on Grand (somewhere between Ivy St. and Maple St.). Many passersby are potential members: let's reel them in!

Lastly, the Escondido Fishing Derby and Kiddie Pond is scheduled for 11/23 and 11/24. This is the highlight of the year's events, with prizes for large trout contestants and a kiddie pond for kids up to 8 years old. The kiddie pond is a blast. There is a guaranteed catch for all kids up to 8: their smiles are only matched by their parents. And we don't have to clean any fish.

*Gary Beckman*  
Community Events

## MEETINGS



**Cheryl presented Nikki Lovejoy with a Pin for her 3 lb. 2.oz On Shore catch.**



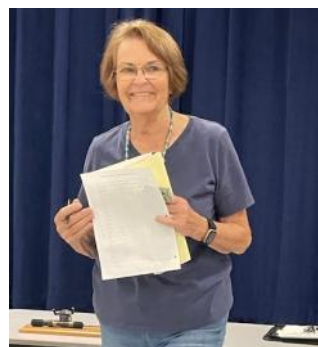
**Ron Bloom earned a Pin and the Fishing Pole for his 4 lb. 3 oz. Cat-fish**



**Our August Speaker, Ernie Cowan, once again entertained us and shared great fishing stories.**



**Jim Stevenson received a Pin for his 56 lb. Halibut**



**Betty Allen provided the monthly Financial Report**





**Wilford (Will) G. Cozzens**  
 01/16/1934 – 08/04/2024



This month, we lost Will Cozzens, a longtime member and a very active Senior Angler of Escondido. He was a friend, my buddy, and a darn good fisherman. He was the Vice President of Salt Water for many years, went on most RV fishing trips, helped with picnics, youth events, city fishing derbies, and fishing challenges, and was the first to volunteer when we had something special happening. He also helped in the design and presentation of the Fishing Derby Score Board that we presented to the city.



Will and Bev Cozzens were always in the middle of our projects. When we cooked our turkeys for the Fall Feast, Cozz had his fryer at the event. Most years, he purchased the turkeys, prepared them for the event, and ensured we had enough volunteers to cook them. And for the picnics, he made fried potato chips. WOW, they were a treat! Maybe not the healthiest snack, but they were so delicious!

Cozz retired as an engineer in the Air Force, and his background and talent were made available to us. He could make anything. He poured lead for fishing weights, made and repaired fishing rods and reels, and fixed our RVs when needed. He knew so much about everything; he even bought a Greyhound bus, yes, an old bus, and converted it into an RV. The inside of this bus was incredible, with customized white oak cabinetry, stainless sinks in the kitchen, oak wine racks, captain chairs, and plush carpeting. Bev and Cozz used this bus for years but eventually bought a smaller Class “C” and continued joining the RV group on their fishing trips.

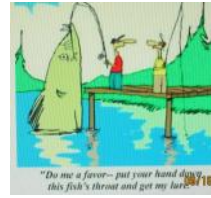
When he was the VP of Salt Water, he set up a schedule with the landings at the beginning of the year, so we always had boats available during the season when the bites were hot. Year after year, he chartered a ¾ day boat out of Seaforth Landing called the “Sea Watch” twice a month; from spring through the fall, it was available for our club. Remember! We sold tickets to 25 fishermen/women, costing \$28 apiece. Our meetings had a lineup: first come, first serve. He arranged overnight and 1½ day trips during the tuna season and several trips each winter for bottom fishing. In the off-season, we also used the “Legend.” The manager of Seaforth Landing knew the Senior Anglers and Cozz very well, and we did a lot of saltwater fishing. Will Cozzens just loved to go fishing!



We will miss this guy; he was one of a kind. His laugh, the smile, and the devilish look, you knew something was about to happen, and it wasn’t always welcome? Like the time he said, “Hold out your hand” and put a newborn rat in it, or your bowl of ice cream had a spoon full of habanero jelly on it. Or his pomegranate margaritas that would put you to sleep early! He was a character, and we loved him. Those of you who have camped or fished with Cozz know he was a very special person.

Thanks for the memories, Will Cozzens; you will be missed! RIP

## ON THE LIGHTER SIDE



Submitted by John Tester

Submitted by Tony Smock

## OUR CATCHES

### LARGE FISH OF THE YEAR



Name	Caught By	Pounds	Ounces	Species
<b>Freshwater Class I</b>	Bob Taylor	7	8.7	Trout
<b>Freshwater Class II</b>	Brian Shultz	7	8	Bass
<b>Saltwater Class I</b>				
<b>Saltwater Class II</b>				
<b>On Shore Class I</b>	Gene Smallwood	1	6	Jack Smelt
<b>On Shore Class II</b>	Nicky Lovejoy	5	5	Spotted Croaker



## SUNSHINE

Sadly, two sympathy cards were sent this month Linda Ogilvie for the loss of her husband, Chuck, on August 6 and to the family of Will Cozziens, who passed away on August 4

Thinking of You cards were sent to Rich Bruemmer, who had COVID-19, and to Randy Brown, who had a knee re-

### DID YOU KNOW?

Sharks in the wild very, very rarely swim with their dorsal fin exposed above the water surface.

*Joann Jauert*

## MORE CLUB EVENTS

Our Club Events are a big part of why this is such a vibrant and fun club. It's time to start planning for the biggest event of the year, The Fall Feast. We are looking for a Fall Feast Chairperson. There will be plenty of help, as there always is in this club. If you would consider it or want to hear more about what it entails, please call Paul Lorson or let us know at the meeting.



## MEMBERSHIP

### FISHING FOODIES

The winner of The Fishing Foodie \$25 gift card to Board and Brew was **Hank Skaja**.



It was a beautiful day and we had a nice turn out.

September's Fishing Foodie \$25 gift card will be to **The Wrangler BBQ**. It is one of our favorites due to the food and the price.

Come and join us!!

#### Opportunity Drawing Winners

**Mike Diaz**  
**Al Wilson**  
**Jerry Watanabe**  
**Joan Madison**  
**Carol Parker**



The Senior Anglers of Escondido would like to give a big Welcome to our new members:

**Ralph and Lori Medina**

**Michael and Brenda Bell**

We hope to get to know you at our many



9/02 **Tony Smock**

9/07 **Lori Medina**

9/12 **Adriana Paulson**

9/14 **Barbara Gattuso**

9/14 **Linda Perdue**

9/14 **Gary Murphy**

9/16 **Ann Savage**

9/22 **Al Phares**

9/23 **Jeannie Cusack**

9/25 **Cathy Diaz**

9/26 **Ron Sharp**

9/27 **Brian Gompper**

9/29 **Bill Modi**

9/29 **Mike Diaz**



Members,

As hard as it is to believe, October is just around the corner. This means our SAE membership dues will start being collected on October 11 and then on November 8. They are still \$20, and for the few of you that need it mailed, that will be an extra \$10. Please, Cash or check made out to SAE.

*Linda Perdue*  
**Membership Director**



## CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2024

July 8	On-Shore Fishing	Saltwater
July 12	Board and General Meetings Barbara and Greg Gattuso	
July 24	Summer Picnic	Club Event
Aug 9	Board and General Meetings Ernie Cowan	
Aug 23	On-Shore Fishing	Saltwater
Aug 26	Time Out Tuesday	Club Event
Sept 6	On-Shore Fishing	Saltwater
Sept 13	Board and General Meetings	Club Event
Sept 14	Grape Day Festival	Community Event
Sept 15-22	Creekside Campout—Bishop area	Freshwater
Oct 11	Board and General Meetings	
Oct	Campout TBD	Freshwater
Oct 20	Escondido Street Festival	Community Event
Oct 28	Time Out Tuesday	Club Event
Oct 31	On-Shore Fishing	Saltwater
** Oct 28-Nov 2	Cabo Trip	Saltwater
Nov 3-7	Santee Lakes Campout	Freshwater
Nov 8	Board and General Meetings	
Nov 13	Fall Feast	Club Event
Nov 18	On-Shore Fishing	Saltwater
Nov 23-24	Escondido Kiwanis Fish Derby	Community Event
* Dec 7	Awards Banquet and Holiday Party	Club Event
Dec 13	Board Meeting - 2024 and 2025 Board Members	

\* New or changed event    \*\*Not a 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**

- |    |                   |          |
|----|-------------------|----------|
| 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<br>Belongs to _____    |
| 3. | _____ Boat/Lake Scale                            |
| 4. | _____ Measurement<br>Length _____<br>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.

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Return the completed form to the appropriate Vice President by the end of the month.

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