

Chum Line



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REGARDING OUR COVER: Thanks to Opie Riddell of the *Pacific Dawn* for this excellent shot of the floating "Candy bait".

April 27th Dinner Meeting to Feature Capt. David Bacon

Capt. David Bacon, of Wave Walker fame out of Santa Barbara will be the featured guest. He writes for many fishing publications and will discuss fishing opportunities around the Channel Islands. He runs a charter operation and is well versed on springtime fishing and has an informed perspective on the MLPA process. Please come to hear him talk also about his non-profit org. founded to provide at-sea education.

Phone in your reservations to Mike Godfrey at the dinner hotline 818.808-4909 or email: larrcdinnersvp@yahoo.com



President's Message by Scott Schiffman

The signs are everywhere, spring is in the air! As an indicator of things to come, April is one of my favorite months of the year. The LARRC's first event of the year, the Lou Berke Trout Derby for special needs children, occurs. The rockfish closure ended in March and the warming water signals that the bite should be improving as well. On a more serious note, the MLPA marches forward, with or without our involvement.

As a club, we really shine when it come to the Lou Berke Trout Derby, the enthusiasm displayed by our members is contagious, and the kids have a day they will not soon forget. Personally, I have been deeply touched by the kids at this event, by the unbridled joy that emanates from the kids as they catch their first fish.

As with all club events, we depend on the participation of club members to make the event a success. In the past few years, we have been depending more and more on volunteers from outside the club to staff these events. I wish I could say it was due to the growth of these events that we need outside help. Unfortunately, that is not the case, active participation by our members has been in steady decline for the past few years, despite constant calls for volunteers at our dinner meetings, and in the *Chum Line*.

While a common interest has brought us all together, fishing, it

seems that the idea of participating in club activities has fallen by the wayside. I don't really understand this, why join a club if you don't want to engage in club activities. I completely understand that "things" come up, but we have longtime members that never participate in any club functions. If there is some underlying reason, or something that I can do to generate more active participation in our club events, please let me know.

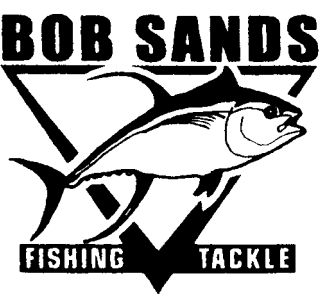
As we move ahead toward the end of the first quarter of the year, MLPA banter grows, and the process moves forward. We are, to my knowledge, the only fishing club in the area, with multiple stakeholder representation. With the time and efforts of **John Ballotti**, **Joel Greenberg**, and others, we are fortunate to have them as club members. Why is it that the club as a whole does not participate in the opportunities that the MLPA process provides us as fishing enthusiasts? That is to have a voice heard, and to rally support for our cause.

Just steps from the Fred Hall Show in Long Beach, there was the opportunity for the average fisherman to be heard.

As a club, with a focus on offshore fishing, why is it that our stakeholder reps and a select few are alone, surrounded by legions of individuals without our

best interests at hand? In this respect, I am guilty as well, as I did not attend the MLPA or the Fred Hall Show.

This year take a pledge to get involved, this is your club and our sport! Take advantage of the opportunity to attend an MLPA meeting, make your voice heard. If you have never participated in the Kids Trip out of Pierpont, or the Mentors Trips out of Marine Del Rey, sign up and show up and participate. Who knows you just might like it. This is your club and our sport. ■



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"Ask About My Club Discounts"

Santa Rosa Island Reds on the Pacific Dawn

By Jim Carlisle

The club kicked off the 2009 fishing season with the first *Pacific Dawn* Charter of the year. Our LARRC group gathered at Ventura's Harbor Village on Friday evening March 12. Most people arrived early and enjoyed dinners at either Andria's, or Brophy Brothers for seafood, or Milano's for pizza. The boat returned from its Friday trip at about 7:30pm and we were happy to see 3 full tanks of squid aboard for bait. We boarded shortly after 8 p.m. and were greeted by long-time crew of owner/ **Pat Cavanaugh**, 2nd Capt. **Dustin**, **Mike "Opie" Riddell**, **Mike "ManDog" Nickerson**, and new crew member **Whitney** (in the galley and very



Jan Howard and Jason Fleck.

accommodating). As we signed the manifest, **Jan Howard** gave everyone a package of Gulp grubs and a 7-Strand hand towel which were courtesy of **Bob Hoose at Berkeley Products**. We were on our way before 9:30, our destination was Santa Rosa Island, and the weather forecast said it would be a bit windy and bumpy.

The wind was up and crossing to the islands was bumpy. Good news is there wasn't much swell with the wind. We bounced around in our bunks until around 3 a.m. When we heard the anchor drop, we all figured we'd made the 52-mile run

to Santa Rosa Island—it turns out **Dustin** decided that the run across to Santa Rosa for Santa Cruz was too rough so he'd ducked us into a cover out of the wind near the west end of 'Cruz along with several other sport boats. At daylight the wind backed off and we made a comfortable crossing to Santa Rosa Island as **Whitney** cooked up tasty breakfasts of either french toast and eggs, or breakfast burritos.

Because of the windy conditions, Capt. **Pat** kept us out in deeper water. The quality of the vermillion rockfish (AKA reds) we caught was absolutely fabulous. While jigs were not as effective as usual on this day, two Kenji flies and a sinker were the way to go. Adding a strip of fresh dead squid to the flies worked well but we quickly found out that putting on one of the big Gulp grubs behind the Kenji Fly was what the big Reds really wanted.

We plugged away at the fish all morning. The deeper water meant more work than usual, but the quality of the fish made it worthwhile. **Ger Steinberg** caught an absolutely huge red that was in the 8-to-10-pound class while fishing up on the bow. **Al Scow** and **Dave Permut** also caught big reds. **Frank Polak** brought along **Gabe Monteiro**, one of our junior members, as his guest. It was great to see Gabe's enthusiasm and he was very happy with a very large bocaccio and all the other fish that he caught. We also had **Jason Fleck** of *EXCEL* fame, and his girlfriend **Hillary**, with us. Jason was able to join us since the



Above: **BIG RED** by Ger with help from **Mike Nickerson**.

Right: **JP-winner, Dave Hockman** with **Opie Riddell**.



EXCEL is still in dry-dock for maintenance. Kudos go to **Dave Hockman** who landed the jackpot red.

The wind started kicking back up at about 1:45 pm and **Pat** made the call to head for home. We had a nice smooth ride home as **Whitney** served up some great fish enchiladas or fish burgers for lunch. Later on, after nap time, she served fish tacos so no one would get hungry on their ride home. **Pat** pulled the *Pacific Dawn* into the dock around 6:30 pm and after we quickly unloaded our gear, **Mike & Opie** handed us our bags of fillets up on the parking lot. What a great crew and fabulous trip! Not only was it good fishing with good friends but it was fishing on a clean, comfortable and well maintained boat with an owner and crew that care. We'll just have to do it again in April. ■

NOT Just Another Cow Tuna Story!

"Those of you serious fishermen (and ladies) who attend the annual Fred Hall Tackle Show are probably familiar with Pete Haynes. Pete is an icon in this business and part of his fame is having been a representative for the Izorline International tackle company. His main claim to notoriety were his knot tying seminars. Also a friend of many years, he told me this story during the current Hall Show when we visited. I hope readers will appreciate this anecdote as I did."

(Comment by Eric Rogger)

The year was 2000 and Pete was working the Izorline booth at the Fred Hall Show. Izorline was sponsoring a "Super Bowl Knot Tying Contest". He and Kathy Rounds were instructing basic monofilament knot tying at Turner's booth, this clinic being sponsored by Izorline and later by Shimano.

Kathy and Pete had just finished teaching the San Diego Jam Knot to those who were interested, when a cute, freckle faced eight-year-old girl tugged at Pete's sleeve. "Mr. Haynes could you teach me that knot?" She was with her dad, Mike Reader and with his approval they got down to work. Within a few minutes Sarah was tying the knot like a pro. Subsequently she qualified for the finals in the knot



Sarah's big fish.

tying contest that was held the last day of the show. It was called the Pee-Wee division—kids 11 and under.

Pete saw her next the last day of the show, with her family there for support, when her knot, a 25-lb. Izorline Jam Knot, broke at 39 lbs. for third place. A subsequent interview with the three winners reminded Pete that he had taught her that knot just

a couple of days earlier.

This story happened nine years ago during each of which Sarah Reader and her dad Mike, would stop by at the show and say "hi" at the knot tying booth. Sarah grew into a beautiful young woman of seventeen years and a senior at South High School in Torrance. Pete continues the story: "One week ago I was reading *Western Outdoor News* and checking-out the catches of the monster yellowfin tuna by most of the long range boats out of San Diego. I got to the section where the *Red Rooster III* was reporting and "BAM!!!", there was Sarah Reader's name. She caught a 237-lb. YFT on the *Rooster!* I spoke with dad Mike and he indicated that she caught that fish completely by herself and needed very little help from anyone."

SARAH READER IS THE FIRST FEMALE TEENAGER EVER TO CATCH A YELLOWFIN TUNA OVER 200

LBS. IN THE HISTORY OF THE SAN DIEGO LONG RANGE FLEET!!!

Sarah will now become one of the knot tying instructors—known as "Knotty Ladies"—during the Hall Shows' clinics sponsored by Bart Hall and producer Mike Lum to the benefit of the show-going fishing public. Thanks.....Pete Haynes ■

CONSERVATION NEWS

MLPA UPDATE BY JOHN BALLOTTI

After attending the MLPA meetings in Long Beach it is easy to judge our club's interest in the process that will eventually restrict or eliminate fishing along portions of our coast. It is practically non-existent. Even with it being held in our backyard concurrent with the Fred Hall Show, we could not drum up interest in what is turning out to be a public relations battle between those who fish and those who would place unreasonable and economically damaging restrictions on the use of our ocean resource. I wonder how many of

our members were at the Fred Hall Show on the afternoon of Wednesday, March 4—a mere few hundred yards from the MLPA meeting—and could not trouble themselves to drop by and support those who are fighting for their right to fish and maintain a sustainable resource. **Eric Rogger, Mike Godfrey, and Mike Cimmarusti** cared. How about you?

A whole issue of the *Chum Line* could be devoted to what took place at the two-day meeting. By examining the scope of the three external proposals, a good perspective on the extent

of differences in approach can be had.

- **Proposal A** was submitted by a coalition of commercial and recreational fishing interests sponsored by the Fisherman's Information Committee. It is referred to as the "Fic/Fin" proposal.
- **Proposal B** was submitted by United Anglers of Southern California and is referred to as the "UASC" proposal.
- **Proposal C** was submitted by Channel Keepers and Bay Keepers and is referred to as the "Environmental" proposal, but in all fairness it is so extreme that some members of the RSG immediately started to distance them-

A quick overview of each proposal is needed to see the similarities of Proposal A and B and the startling difference of Proposal C. A table is best used to compare the three.

% OF STUDY REGION	A—FIC/FIN	B—UASC	C—ENVIRONMENTAL
All MPA's Combined	10.2%	20.1%	33.0%
SMR – no Take	9.1%	7.8%	30.7%
SMR in Hard Bottom Area <100m	6% (approx)	6% (approx)	45% (approx)
SMR in Kelp Forest	8%	9%	44%

selves from Proposal C.

UASC has proposed making the entire Catalina Island a State Marine Recreational Managed Area with existing commercial take regulations and placing slot and take limits for recreational fishermen.

Each of the three working groups also developed two proposals for consideration by the Science Advisory Team (SAT). A total of nine proposals will be reviewed by the SAT. At our

FUTURE MLPA MEETINGS

**April 1—Embassy Suites Hotel
9801 Airport Blvd. LA 90254**

**April 6—1:30 pm via teleconference and
online meeting**

**South Coast Regional Future Meetings can
be listened to in real time via Internet
webcasting, <http://www.cal-span.org/>
For a listing of meetings go to:
<http://www.dfg.ca.gov/mlpa/meeting.asp>**

next meeting April 28-29 the SAT's comments will be reviewed and each proposal will be reworked to better align with the SAT's guidelines. The external proposals will also undergo SAT review with the opportunity for the proponents' to make changes for the next round. There will be three rounds with the hope that the proposals come closer together after each round. Time will tell! ■

Dedicated to Fishing, Fun, Relaxation, and Companionship!

OFFICIAL CLUB CHARTERS

Please note that official LARRC Charters - official meaning that the club has a financial commitment to the boat owners are enclosed in a blue box on this page. Members signing up for a club trip are obligated to pay the full fare in case they cannot make the trip for some reason. We will attempt to fill your space - or you may do the same - in a timely manner.

ALL PACIFIC DAWN TRIPS—both Ventura and San Diego—are Chartermastered by Jim Carlisle. Information and confirmation questions should be addressed to him as follows: Jim Carlisle (562) 598-0940 (H), (310) 332-9770 (W)—EMAIL jncarlisle@verizon.net. Co-chartermaster is Jan Howard (949) 837-1431, EMAIL saltwaterwoman@cox.net.

Pacific Dawn Weekend Charters 2009:

VENTURA, Ventura Harbor Village 1 Day Overnight Fishing Sat., April 11; Mon., May 4

- 1—Departure: 9-10 pm. evening prior to fishing.
- 2—Return: Approximately 7 pm.
- 3—Cost: \$185
- 4—Not included: fish cleaning, food & drink, tips.(15-20%), license and fuel surcharge if required.
- 5—Limited Load: 16. chartermaster may overbook by one.
- 6—Deposit: 100% payment required to reserve spot.
- 7—Call or email to confirm if spots are available.
- 8—Checks: payable to LARRC. Send to Jim Carlisle at 7128 Seawind Drive, Long Beach, CA 90803.

Pacific Dawn Tuna Trip 2009: SAN DIEGO, Fishermen's Landing 1.5 Day TUNA TRIP Fishing Sunday, August 23.

- 1—Departure: Leaves Saturday evening 8/22 at 9 pm.
- 2—Return: Monday am. 8/24 at 6 am.
- 3—Cost: \$420 includes Mexican permits
- 4—Not included: fish cleaning, food & drink, tips.(15-20%), fishing license and fuel surcharge if required.
- 5—Limited Load: 16. chartermaster may overbook by one.
- 6—Deposit \$210 required to reserve spot. Balance \$210 due 7/15.
- 7—Call or email to confirm if spots are available.
- 8—Checks: payable to LARRC. Send to Jim Carlisle at 7128 Seawind Drive, Long Beach, CA 90803.

Qualifier 105 Tuna Trip 5 Days—7/20 - 7/25/09

"New Pricing" This trip with 24 participants will be \$1995 per person (includes Mex.permits), with 23 anglers price will be \$2095, with 22 anglers price will be \$2195, with 21 anglers price will be \$2295.

All repeaters from the 2008 trip will be given first choice at spots and extra consideration when it comes to stateroom assignments. Commit now to secure your spot as we expect another sellout. Send a deposit of \$500 ASAP—additional deposits of \$500 will be due in December and March 1, 2009. The final deposit will be due June 1st 2009. **For additional information call the charter master. Dave Levinson at (818)785-1776 or email dajplevin@roadrunner.com**

RE Q105 TRIP: Please note that an additional price incentive has been graciously granted by owner John Klein. We will take up to six students at half price on this LARRC charter. This is a great opportunity to take that son and daughter, grandchild, niece or nephew on a great trip at a great price. This will be first come/first serve! Thanks John!!! ■

OUR SALMON DILEMMA A recent report from OCEANA pointed out that last years (2007) return of king salmon spawners up the Sacramento River included 70,000 fish. Six years earlier the return count was about 800,000. Recreational Fishing for salmon along the Pacific Coast this year has been pretty much closed down.■



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Special EXCEL 7-day trip

Dan Felger writes... Please join fellow LARRC members **Dan Felger, Al Scow, Jan Howard, Jim Carlisle, Tom Carlisle and Chas. Schoemaker** for this September 9-16 trip. The 2008 trip was great. The trip cost is \$2,245, exclusive of permits and a fuel surcharge (if any). **Please call the EXCEL office for reservations at (619) 223-7493.**

The Foundation Needs YOUR Donations

The Foundation is looking for donated tackle and related items for future auctions. If you have items to donate please contact **Steve Simon at 818.980.7470 or email: simonmurphy08@sbc.net** .

Arnie Cohen Charter aboard RED ROOSTER

This five-day trip is scheduled for Aug. 18-23rd. Cost is \$1700. **Make a call to Arnie to get availability information at 818.368.5834. Deposits of \$300 go to Arnie Cohen, 11101 Viking Ave, Northridge, CA 91326.**

WLARR TRIPS OPEN TO ALL

The following trips were organized by WLARR but are open to all. The price includes the trips, galley, tips and fish cleaning. The asterisk indicates prior night departure. Double asterisk refers to special charter conditions listed below.

<u>FISHING DATES</u>	<u>BOAT</u>	<u>LANDING</u>	<u>ANGLERS</u>	<u>VENUE</u>	<u>COSTS</u>
April 27*	Pacific Dawn	Ventura	15	White SB, Rock Fish	\$295.
May 20*	Ultra	Newport	8	YT, WSB, Calico	\$395.
June 13-14*	Ultra	Newport	8	Alb. YT, WSB	\$595.
July 3-4*	Limitless	Newport	6	Alb. YT, WSB	\$630.
July 8-12	Vancouver**	QC Safaries	12	Salmon, Halibut	\$4000.
Aug.7-8*	Limitless	Newport	6	Alb.YT, Calico	\$630.
Sept.7-8*	Pacific Dawn	Fishermen's	15	Albacore, YFT	\$550.
Sept. 28	Highliner	Redondo	6	Calico, YT	\$280.
Oct. 17	Highliner	Redondo	6	Calico, YT	\$280.
Nov.7-12	La Paz**	David Jones	12	Tuna, Dorado	\$1500.

Please contact Barry Cohn for additional information and to book local trips. First come first serve (310) 479-9600 xt 221 - Mail deposits (25%) to Barry Cohn, 11400 W. Olympic #630, LA 90064. **4 SPOTS OPEN ON 4/27 TRIP. ONE SPOT OPEN ON 5/20 TRIP.**
**SEE BLUE BOX BELOW.

QUEEN CHARLOTTE ISLANDS - 7/8-7/12

Queen Charlotte (Q.C.) Safari—Our past experience at the Queen Charlotte area has been outstanding. As a result of a personal inspection trip, we are using a new lodge (Queen Charlotte Safaris) this year. It accommodates 26 with two to a room, lounge area, buffet service for breakfast, packed lunches for the fish days. Two to a boat fishing, 10-hr. days on boats with enclosed cuddy cabins (w/ port-a-potty). Tackle is provided. The quoted price is an all included estimate which breaks down as follows: Charter: \$2950, trip insurance \$130, est. air fare \$650 via Air Canada through Vancouver, gratuities about \$250. Twelve sign-ups so far.

LA Paz MEXICO 11/7-11

8 hours per day of fishing. Two to a panga. All meals and beverages, all gratuities and transportation to and from the airport & beach. Quoted La Paz price includes air transportation.

For information re: these out of country trips contact Bert Serden: (310) 278-3439 or email bserden@sbcglobal.net

TROPHY CONTENDERS 2009 AS OF MAR. 25

SPECIES LINE TEST ANGLER LB.OZ.

MEN'S

OCEAN WATER

Tuna, Yellowfin	100	Dennis Saylor	140	5
Tuna, Yellowfin	130	Dennis Saylor	174	8
Tuna, Yellowfin	130	Dennis Saylor	182	2
Tuna, Yellowfin	125	Al Scow	237	0

FRESH WATER

Bass, LG Mouth	6	Andy MacDonald	3	9 *
Bass, LG Mouth	10	Joel Steinman	3	8 *

WOMEN'S

Marlin, Striped	50	Jan Howard	Released	
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JUNIOR MEMBERS

Trout, Rainbow	4	Alexis Warren	6	5 *
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*Possible Record.

STAN RICHSTONE SENT THIS IN-

"THE DAILY NEWS HAD THIS ARTICLE WHICH I'D LIKE TO SHARE WITH OTHER LARRC MEMBERS"

FROM LONDON – A school of mechanical, battery powered robots in the shape of fish will be released into a Spanish port to help monitor pollution there, scientists said Friday.

The 5-foot long robots work by mimicking the swishing movements of a fish's tail according to University of Essex robotics expert Huoshu, whose team is manufacturing the machines.

He said the robo-fish would be equipped with sensors to monitor oxygen levels in the water, detect oil slicks spilled from ships or contaminants pumped into the water from underground pipes.

The robotic fish will patrol the harbor of Gijon, in northern Spain under a \$3.6 million grant from the European Union. He said Gijon was chosen because Port Authorities there had expressed an interest in the technology.

Each fish costs about \$28,000 to make and BMT estimated their speed about a yard per second. ■

GOODWILL & CHEER

Arnie & Joan Stein are delighted to report that their granddaughter Marnie Burgoyne has been accepted to UC Davis Veterinary School and will begin classes in the fall.

Don Culbertson recovering nicely after aortic valve replacement surgery. LARRC wishes you speedy recovery and return to normalcy.

Norm Weinstock reports cousin Ger Steinberg underwent successful knee replacement surgery at Cedars. Good news for his friends in the LARRC but bad news for the tuna.

Note: Bert Serden new email address: bserden@rr.socal.com

CALENDAR

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Dinner Meetings

APRIL 27

Next: MAY 18

Use the hotline for your reservations (818) 808-4909 or email LARRCDinnerRSVP@Yahoo.com. RSVP at least two days prior to meeting and confirm if you are having dinner.

**4557 Sherman Oaks Ave
Note: We are back at Valley Inn**

Board Meetings

APRIL 20

Next: MAY 11

All Club members are welcome to attend. Please RSVP to Scott Schiffman at 818/341-7528, email schifty57@sbcglobal.net at least two days prior to meeting and confirm if you are having dinner.

Dinner: 6:00 pm • Meeting: 7:00 pm

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Other Dates

April 3, 2009

**Lou Berke Trout Derby
(Volunteers Needed)**

April 4-5

**Annual Marina Del Rey
Halibut Derby**

July 13

**Annual Kids' Trip, Pierpont
Landing**

August 3

**Marine Mentors' Trip
Marina Del Rey/ Betty O**

August 9, 2009

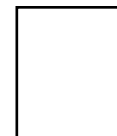
Family Picnic

August 17

**Marine Mentors' Trip
Marina Del Rey/ Betty O**

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