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What's On My Mind?

by John Ballotti



MARINE MENTORS TRIPS—UP CLOSE AND PERSONAL

Last month I wrote about the hard work and preparations

required to put on our annual Kids' Trip. It gives me great pleasure to report that the Kids' Trip this year was a great success. Even the fish and weather cooperated. Good fishing was on tap on both the morning and afternoon runs. Wind and swell were minimal. The kids had a great time enjoying the food, fish, and ocean air. Smiles, giggles, and fun were abundant.

The keys to the success of the day's events were the volunteers. An outstanding turnout by LARRC members, family, friends, corporations, and other clubs, allowed each child to get the attention required to insure a successful day. All totaled, 94 volunteers, 70 from LARRC, helped 200+ kids have a meaningful experience on the water and on shore. I would like to express my appreciation and gratitude to all who gave their time to help the kids have a great experience. One of my goals this year was to increase the number of club members who volunteer for

our annual events. So far, with the Special Needs Trout Derby and Kids' trip completed I can honestly say you have exceeded my expectations.

This brings us to the last of the annual events, the two Marine Mentors Trips. If the Kids' Trip is all about bringing the ocean experience to as many kids as possible, the Marine Mentors' Trips are about giving a small group of kids an intimate one-on-one lesson about fishing, the environment, and responsible behavior. **Frank Polak** instructs the volunteers to approach the day as if you are taking a neighborhood boy or girl fishing the first time. On the ride out to the fishing area adults and kids are paired off and each child remains with the same adult throughout the 3/4 day adventure. The transformation that occurs during the day is remarkable. Timid at first, the kids often hang back. Eventually they warm up to the situation and their mentor. Before long, you find one child instructing another on the finer points of hooking bait or the best side of the boat to fish. The kids quickly get into the spirit of the day with bragging rights firmly established for the largest and most fish caught. Sound familiar? I am happy to report that both Marine Mentor trips have a volunteer waiting list. **Next month: A Marine Life Protection Act Update** ■

AVET REEL Manufacturers to visit LARRC Dinner Meeting, August 28th

Program Chair **Bob Selvin** has lined up speakers from this Chatsworth based Reel manufacturer whose products are gaining increasing attention from anglers. Avet reels utilize a new gear system. Their new high speed retrieval and lower reel weight are but some of the advances. For those fishing the bigger tunas, the Avet Reel System also features a drag system that has the ability to free spool at full drag settings. Be there to hear the latest.

Call in your dinner choices and reservations to: (818) 808-4909 or email: Larrcdinnersvp@yahoo.com



Absolute Last Call!!

The fourth annual LARRC Picnic will take place on Sunday, Aug.13 at Lake Sherwood. Time is 1-7 p.m. Boat cruises, fishing and games are on the menu.

Contact Steve Simon, 11604 Addison St., Valley Village, CA 91601, (818) 980-7470 or email simonmurphy08@sbcglobal.net The cost is \$25

July 12 LARRC Charter—A fine trip but no Cigars!

Report by Lynne Ballew

For a person who writes virtually everything on a computer I had to overcome a bit of reluctance in giving this fish report. Although assured that I would attain worldly acclaim, I prefer to get my recognition as being a participant for a fourth year on this five-day trip. Also, being the daughter of former President, Ben Susman, and wanting to be a member of this club since age 10, I felt I had some obligation. Here goes....

Everyone has suggested that “fishing is not always catching” and that I had been spoiled by prior trips. This year’s trip was my reality check! We had a wonderful time but the fish were not biting much. Despite scanty fishing some notable records were set. Starting on Wednesday July 12th with a ready boat, captain and crew waiting for **Brad and Dan Felger** to return from picking up some lunch. There were several anonymous offers to pitch in the money to pay for Brad and Dan’s trip so that we could leave without them. Of course we all said “no” as we wouldn’t want to leave without Brad. We picked up a load of nice bait but no albacore on our first day.

Thursday morning saw **Sam Rubinfeld** land the first fish of the trip, an approximately 15-lb. yellowtail, caught while trolling. Dan Felger caught the next, a beautiful dorado and Brad another yellowtail. By midday we had not had a stellar day, and two players had not caught a fish. Many of those hooked were released—being too small to keep on this second day. I started to worry and I was not the

only one.

Friday morning we visited Cedros Island. We hooked at least as many seagulls as we did fish at this stop. You had to constantly rebait since the gulls were so active. The stop yielded yellowtail, barracuda, calico bass and a seal that ate 1/4 of Paul Giannini’s yellowtail. This

line. Crewman Armando was able to untangle us but my fish broke off immediately thereafter. I was overheard muttering, some un-lady like language and Todd chided me saying that some of “the other guys were offended”.

Doc Horowitz good a good calico bass and released it. This caused **Tom Carlisle**



A very hungry Pelican competing for jackpot fish.

stop also yielded me a lesson a “if-it-looks-too-good-to-be-true,-it-is” lesson. I heard someone say: “well Ben, you brought her up right”. Evidently, **Skipper Sims** had announced that we were leaving due to the small size of the fish we were catching. **Pete Giannini** was on a fish and all others had stopped. I am confident that the next trip it will be a different faux pas that I will be observed committing.

Our next stop yielded something for **Todd Thibodo** to tease me about for the rest of the trip. I was on a good size fish when that sloppy Ben Susman tangled my

to bring out his fly fishing rod and catch a 25-lb. yellowtail on 12-lb. test line. We had an important visit from a hungry pelican who decided to check the quality of his preening by landing on **Wayne Cox’s** shiny bald head in order to view himself in the reflection. Late afternoon at Cedros saw us attempting to make bait using the quadruple bait rigs which was a new experience for me. The effort ended shortly with only some minimal success. The day ended with a beautiful sunset but did not result in that green flash I had anticipated.

Saturday morning we spent fishing—

not catching. At 10:15, a bunch were in the galley playing "Aggravation" (a game designed by **Tom Polliard**), gin and backgammon, while six paddy yellowtail were caught and consigned to the galley. We had departed for a more promising tuna area about 100 miles south of Point Loma.

At about 6 pm our long day of frustration turned to glee. We hit albacore on the troll and also the bait lines. **Dave Levinson**, next year's chartermaster, caught the first albacore. The second was mine, if accepted it will be a club record in the women's division. (33 lb. 4 oz. on 20-lb. test.) There was another more important record broken at this stop. I have been fishing with **Brad Felger** since our pre-teens and never before has there been a stop during which I brought a

fish on board and Brad did not—**please note that this record was broken on Saturday July 15th, 2006.** We caught a few more albies, saw a nice sunset, but alas, no green flash. Sunday we had some early morning rain, a few small yellowtail and some yellowfin tuna. Brian tried his best to find us some "going home" albies but no luck. He was able to find what the US Coast Guard was not able to find. He located a US Air Force target drone and he called in its location. That was when the fat lady sang and we headed for the barn. Another nice sunset but no flash.

Thanks to Dan Felger for many years of rewarding trips from all of us on this year's charter. Thank you for your hard work and for always being the target of some great jokes. Dan is stepping down and Dave Levinson is taking over. And if I may take some license here...thanks Daddy for sharing this wonderful sport with me, I treasure it and the time we spend together



US Air Force target drone.

practicing it. Another record—I didn't break any of your equipment! Thanks to all the LARRC players:

Tom Carlisle, Abe Cohen, Brad and Dan Felger, Pete Giannini, Bob Horowitz, Dave Levinson, Larry Methvin, Frank Polak, Eric Rogger, Sam Rubinfeld, Jamie and Julie Smith, Stan Snyder, Ben Susman, Todd Thibodo and Julian Wolf.


Guests included: **Eric Almquist, Wayne Cox, Sean McKenzie, Daryl Rich and Paul Giannini.**

Jackpots were: Julie Smith 51 lb. Yellowtail, Tom Carlisle with a 46-lb. yellowtail, and Abe Cohen with a 42-lb. yellowtail.

PS. Thanks to Eric Almquist, a friend of Frank Polak's for the pictures. ■



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SPECIES	LINE TEST	ANGLER	LB.	OZ.	SPECIES	LINE TEST	ANGLER	LB.	OZ.
OCEAN WATER									
Albacore	12	Wayne Caywood	21	12	Steelhead	8	Bert Serden	12	0
Albacore	60	Larry Martinez	14	5	Trout, Brown	15	Don Lee	16	3 *
Bass, Calico	4	John Ballotti	3	4	Trout, Lake	16	Al Scow	17	0 *
Bass, Calico	6	Chas. Schoemaker	3	4	Trout, Lake	16	Jim Carlisle	14	13
Bass, Calico	30	Chas. Schoemaker	7	8	MEN'S RELEASED				
Cod, Red Rock	30	Barry Cohn	6	0 *	Bass, Peacock	8	Joel Steinman	—	
Cod, Red Rock	25	Steve Simon	10	4	WOMEN'S				
Dorado	65	Joel Steinman	19	0 *	Albacore	20	Lynne Ballew	33	4 *
Halibut, California	40	John Ballotti	22	0 *	Dorado	40	Pamela Warren	43	0 *
Rooster Fish	40	Earl Warren	42	6 *	Pike, Northern	8	Mimi Susman	21	0 *
Rooster Fish	40	Charles Schoemaker	35	0	Tuna, Yellowfin	30	Jan Howard	50	5
Sheephead	4	John Ballotti	5	7 *	Tuna, Yellowfin	40	Jan Howard	106	6 *
Sheephead	10	Barry Cohn	6	8 *	Yellowtail	40	Jan Howard	29	1
Tuna, Yellowfin	130	Dan Felger	228	0	SARDINES				
Yellowtail	12	Steve Ex	13	4	Bass, Large Mouth	8	Holden Rosberg	2	2
Yellowtail	12	Tom Carlisle	25	0	Bass, Large Mouth	8	Ian Sharon	2	13
Yellowtail	60	Tom Carlisle	46	3 *	Bass, Large Mouth	8	Miles Rosberg	2	14
White Sea Bass	10	Wayne Caywood	30	8	Bass, Large Mouth	8	Miken Rosberg	1	12
FLY ROD					Bass, Sand	15	Todd Gruberger	3	0
Trout, Brown	15	Don Lee	16	3 *	Bass, Spotted Bay	4	Jack Uribe	1	3
Trout, Lake	12	Tom Carlisle	13	0 *	Halibut	20	Mitchel Weinstock	10	0
Trout, Lake	16	Rick Uribe	10	0	Yellowtail	20	Christian Hernandez	26	3
White Fish, Lake	6	Tom Carlisle	5	0 *	* New Club Record				
FRESH WATER									
Bass, Large Mouth	8	Joel Steinman	2	11	FIRST GAMEFISH OF THE YEAR				
Bass, Large Mouth	8	Dan Felger	4	2	David Levinson—White Sea Bass—17 lbs. 8 oz.				
Bass, Large Mouth	10	Joel Steinman	3	7 *	FIRST ALBACORE OF THE YEAR				
Bass, Peacock	8	Joel Steinman	2	0 *	Larry Martinez—14 lb. 5 oz.				
Bass, Striped	20	Joel Steinman	13	0 *					
Burbot	30	Al Scow	6	7 *					
Pike, Northern	15	Al Scow	15	11 *					

PRIVATE CHARTER REPORT by Mike Grossman (AKA Hawk)

The Small Slam and the Grand Slam

In fishing a slam is considered three gamefish of determined species in one day.

A grand slam would be four. For example, there might be a billfish slam consisting of a Blue Marlin, a Sailfish and a Striped Marlin. This would be converted to a grand slam if on the same day the angler caught a White Marlin or a Swordfish or another billfish species. We often joke with each other locally about different local slams or grand slams. I have heard of a Santa Monica Bay grand slam consisting of a tom cod, a mackerel, a kelp fish and a lizard fish. Not too appetizing.

Last month I accomplished a Santa Cruz small slam one morning aboard the *Island Tak*, consisting of a legal White Seabass (thirty-five pounds), a three-pound calico bass (released) and a legal halibut. That catch was converted to a Santa Cruz Grand Slam later in the day; when I hooked and landed a...pelican. Yes, released. But I hear they taste like frog's legs.

Editors Note: Isn't there some kind of a trophy due here? ■

MULTIPLE DAY CHARTERS

THESE TRIPS ARE PRIVATE CHARTERS AND THE FULL CHARTER PRICE MUST BE PAID BY LARRC IRRESPECTIVE OF THE NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS. THEREFORE, IF YOU SIGN UP YOU WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE FULL AMOUNT OF THE TRIP COST IN THE EVENT YOU CANCEL AND A REPLACEMENT IS NOT AVAILABLE. LARRC MEMBERS WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE CONDUCT AND FINANCIAL OBLIGATIONS OF THEIR GUESTS.

The chartermaster on the Qualifier Trips will be Dan Felger.
ADDRESS: Dan Felger, Dart Realty, 860 Hampshire Road, Suite W, Thousand Oaks, CA 91361. Dan can be reached at (805) 370-1632, (805) 370-1483(FAX) OR dan@dartrealty.net

Qualifier 105—8-Day LARRC Charter 9/12-20— ONE OPENING

Note: Cancellations Do Occur
 Call Chartermaster Dan Felger for information

**Make all Checks Payable to LARRC. NOTE that
 Cancellations Do Occur. Call Charter Master for Latest
 Standby Information.**

The Charter Master on the Pacific Dawn Trips will be James Carlisle. **ADDRESS:** 7128 Seawind Dr., Long Beach, CA 90803, (562) 598-0940 H or (320) 332-9770 W or email jamesnc@earthlink.net Or contact Jan Howard at (949) 837-1431 or email: saltwaterwoman@cox.net

Pacific Dawn — Ltd. Load Trips (15) San Diego—Fisherman's Landing 1 1/2-day trip Sun. August 27 SOLD OUT

Cancellations Occur — Contact Chartermaster Jim Carlisle

Pacific Dawn

Oxnard—Captain Hook Sportfishing

Preparations are being made for an additional overnight weekend charter. Exact dates late October or early November being negotiated. Contact Jim Carlisle. See address above.

RED ROOSTER III — 4-Night Tuna Trip SAN DIEGO—Sept. 5th-9th

**There are some spots open at this
 time...Price is \$1190**

Note: Cancellations Do Occur

Call Chartermaster Arnie Cohen for information
 home 818 368-5834
 office 818 366-3300 ext 122

KINGFISHER LODGE — Sitka Alaska August 2, 2007

Final Cost to be announced. 4 nights and 3 days of fishing. Included will be food, fishing, lodging, snacks, soft drinks, fish cleaning and packaging for trip home, Alaska license and salmon stamps, rain gear, tackle, bait and transport from airport to lodge. Excluded are tips and alcoholic beverages. A \$500 deposit made out to Arnie Cohen will reserve your spot.

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2007 QUALIFIER 105 Skiff Trip Announced

The Los Angeles Rod & Reel Club has chartered the Qualifier 105 for a 2007 skiff trip. The dates selected are 2 weeks later than previous trips, which should mean better weather and fishing. The details are as follows:

1. The dates are Saturday, June 16 - June 23, 2007
2. The cost is \$2175 per person.
3. Limited load of 18. Charter Master may overbook by 1.
4. Not included: drinks, beer, tackle, fish cleaning, tips and Mexican permits, jackpot and fuel surcharge.
5. A reservation will only be accepted if accompanied with an initial deposit of \$575. Subsequent deposits of \$400 each will be due October 15, 2006, January 15, 2007 and April 15, 2007. Check to be made payable to LARRC & sent to Dan Felger. See policy message above.

Dedicated to Fishing, Fun, Relaxation, and Companionship!

The 56th Annual Kids' Trip—One for the Books!

Photos and Text by Will Ebersman



Frank Polak and John Rhind, The Tackle Guys.

Funds for this trip came from the Foundation in the form of swap meets, donations and services that are sold during our annual banquet. Even more important than the cash to pay for the expenses is the active participation of the members who donated their time. About 20 individuals showed up at Pierpont Landing on Sunday in order to organize things.

Rods & Reels were assembled, terminal tackle tied, a check-in station was set up, a food station staffed and food prepped. Approximately 100 volunteers and 40 + chaperones had to be divided into batches for three boats doing the trips to give the more than 200 kids a great experience.

Monday began about 5:30 a.m. I worked on the *Tradition* along with 15 other individuals. We also used the *Native Sun* and the *Toronado*. The groups being hosted included the Boys & Girls Clubs of San Fernando Valley, Oxnard and Hollywood, along with a group from the Masonic Homes. Many of them had never been on the boat, or even near the ocean.

Both morning and afternoon trips were productive for sand bass and a few halibut. Volunteers working both shifts helped immensely. The LARRC Board is considering changing the trip format and going for a single, longer run, possibly leaving the dock at 8 a.m.. In order to



Kid with a fish.

accommodate the same number of kids it would mean using more boats. Please let Kids Trip Co-chairs Paul Varenchik or Bernice Mahfet know what you think of the possible format change. ■



Paul Varenchik and Jim Port cranking up the BBQ.

C A L E N D A R
LARRC Charters 2006



2006 Weekday Charters on the Sea Biscuit berthed at Channel Islands Landing in Oxnard.

- 1) Usual Departures are 4 a.m. and returns about 4 p.m. (\$130)
- 2) Charter Master will notify of early departures.
- 3) Children are half price with a full-price paying adult. Limit is 12 adults.
- 4) Boarding is open after 6 p.m.
- 5) The boat has a full galley—please no ice chests!

Checks should be made payable to Arnie Cohen. For additional information please call Arnie at 818 368-5834 hm or 818 366-3300 x1221 ofc.

S C H E D U L E :

<p>August 16, Wednesday August 30, Wednesday September 13, Wednesday September 27, Wednesday</p>	<p>October 11, Wednesday October 25, Wednesday November 15, Wednesday</p>
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**MARLIN WEARING A
 SPEARFISH BILL CAUGHT
 OFF KONA**

The 759-pound blue marlin brought in at Kona (dead at the boat or it would have been released) had a bill—but not its own. Crew Kenny Papini aboard the charter boat *Jun Ken Po* had to work extra hard to pull in the marlin lacking a bill to grab onto. Marlin without bills are of course, rare, though hardly unheard of. But once Papini and skipper **Mike Holtz** had this marlin aboard, they noticed the bill of a spearfish broken off and sticking out of the marlin's forehead. Holtz figures the spearfish was defending itself and may have sacrificed its bill to escape become a meal for the 3/4 grander. *Note that such a sacrifice does not guarantee safety. In 2004 skipper Kevin Hibbard boated a 707-pound blue that also had a spearfish bill stuck in its head. But back at the dock Hibbard found the spearfish in the marlin's stomach.*

Source: Jim Rizzuti in *Sportfishing*. ■

**New Twilight Trip
 Endorsed by Board**

The board has opened the Club's junior member twilight sand bass trip scheduled for Saturday, Aug. 5 to ALL Juniors, not only junior members of the club as was originally intended.

The 65-foot R&R has been chartered out of Marina Del Rey Sportfishing for this twilight trip leaving at 4 p.m. and returning about 10 p.m. There will be a limited load of 40Mm. Cost is \$50 for members, who must be accompanied by at least one junior (under 16). A member can bring up to three juniors (under 16) for FREE. Other adults are also \$50. Includes the full cost of the galley and crew tip to be paid by the club!

**DIRECTIONS TO MARINA DEL REY
 AVAILABLE ON THE NET:
<http://www.marinadelreysportfishing.com/>
 PARKING WILL BE AT DOCK 52.**

Dinner Meetings

August 28

Next: September 25

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.

THE VALLEY INN
 4557 Sherman Oaks Avenue, Sherman Oaks

Board Meetings

August 21

Next: September 18

All Club members are welcome to attend. Please RSVP to John Ballotti at 310.252.2258 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 Events

- August 5 Junior Member Twilight Sand Bass Trip from Marina Del Rey
- August 7 & 21 Annual Mentor's Trips out of Marina Del Rey
- August 13 Lake Sherwood Picnic
- September 8 Volunteers "Thank You" Trip

Membership News

Gerald (Jerry) Cohen, Granada Hills applied for active membership back in April of this year. He was posted in the May issue of *Chum Line*. Jerry, sorry, but you must have fallen through the cracks! The board voted at the July meeting to accept you as a new member.
LARRC welcomes you!

IS IT A WRAP? THE LATEST ON THE MLPA CLOSURES

In 1999 a number of well-meaning people helped sponsor a bill called the **Marine Life Protection Act (MLPA)** in the State Legislature. Since the State was experiencing financial difficulties this act languished in limbo until the current legislature resurrected it aided by a bunch of money from private sources.

The California Fish & Game Commission adopted (Aug 2005) a MLPA framework master plan to establish guide lines for the next stages of the initiative. This was to develop marine protected areas between Point Conception to Pigeon Point (in the Monterey area.) This is the central third of the coast and the newly established BRFT (Blue Ribbon Task Force) has held over 30 hearings for over a year at different venues listening to the many stakeholders involved. The BRFT has also had much input from the SAT (Science Advisory Team—partly financed by private money).

Meetings taking place in Sacramento, Monterey, and Santa Barbara in August will take up the recommendations suggested by the task force. These are known as packages 1, 2R and 3R. The DFG has also forwarded a “preferred” option known as “P”. The commission is the official decision maker in this process. You will recall that the commission members are politically appointed and we have had a series of lobbying efforts to have “fair” commissioners brought on board. **Recreationals should vigorously support package 1.**

A number of us will also remember the successful efforts to restrict recreational fishing at the Channel Islands. A suit was filed to invalidate this but the Ventura County Fishermen, supported by certain rec/fish groups didn't have sufficient funds to carry on this litigation. The restricted areas have since been expanded into federal waters.

Perhaps the group formed in the fall of '04 will fare better. This is the California Fisheries Coalition, representing both commercials and recreationals. RFA is one of the members, Sportfishing Association of California, Central Coast Fisheries Conservation Coalition among others are also members. We realize the combined efforts of about 20 CFC entities stand a better chance to effect a credible, fair and science based outcome.

You might have heard that there is a lawsuit pending, filed by Coastside Fishing Club, in protest to the use of private funds to arrive at regulatory i.e. state, decisions. Stay tuned on this item. Also not resolved, the big IF as to the funding of MLPA closures.

Finally, it is my understanding that the Fish & Game Commission has received more than 3000 messages in support of packages 2R and 3R. Wow—those NGOs surely enjoy a lot more clout than we do. **The South Coast Region—Point Conception to the Mexican Border—is scheduled to have a planned completion by 2008. We are next.**

Compiled by Eric Rogger ■

COMPUTER PROBLEMS...

Tech Support: *How may I help you?*

Customer: *I'm writing my first email.*

Tech Support: *O.K What seems to be the problem?*

Customer: *Well, I have letter 'a' in the address, but how do I get the circle around it?*



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"Ask About My Club Discounts"

From *The Monterey County Herald* (Excerpted June 15 issue)

An alliance of commercial and sport fishers is urging California Fish and Game Commission to lean toward keeping the coast fisher-friendly when it adopts a network of marine protected areas (MPA's) this year.*

The coalition (CFC) of 23 sport and commercial associations commissioned a peer review dealing with the findings of the Blue Ribbon Task Force (BRTF) and its Scientific Advisory Team (SAT).

The coalition (CFC) document was prepared by three West Coast fisheries biolo-

gists: **Ray Hilborn** of the University of Washington; **Carl Walters** of the University of British Columbia, and **Richard Parrish**, who retired this year from the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS). It is intended, according to coalition officials to correct assertions made by the state's 18 member science advisory team.

Parrish said the original Marine Life Protection Act envisioned seven marine habitats that needed protecting, which was later expanded by the science advisory team to 20, and

the result was a proposal for 30-plus marine protected areas in central California, with the potential for 100 such area along the state's entire coast from Oregon to Mexico.

A spokesperson for the Ocean Conservancy, one of the organizations that has been working on the marine protection plan, noted that many West Coast species are at populations of 10 percent of what they used to be and questions the validity of the new scientific review.

The commission is considering three options. The CFC coalition believes the

state's proposals would close about 40 percent of its most productive ocean fishing grounds.

The co-chair of the Alliance of Communities for Sustainable Fisheries, **Kathy Fosmark**, said that local fishing restrictions in marine protected areas will not do anything for ocean protection. She claims that "fish stocks are coming back from a decline and claims that fishing off California is a \$5 billion dollar industry. ■

THE BATHTUB TEST

It doesn't hurt to take a hard look at yourself from time to time, and this might get you started:

During a visit to a mental asylum, a visitor asked the Director what the criteria was that defined whether or not a patient should be institutionalized.

"Well", said the Director, "we fill up a bathtub; then we offer a teaspoon, a teacup, and a bucket to the patient and ask him or her to empty the bathtub."

"Oh, I understand" said the visitor. "A normal person would use the bucket because it's bigger than the spoon or the teacup.

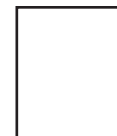
"No" said the Director, "A normal person would pull the plug. Do you want a bed by the wall or near the window?" ■



Joel Zide shows off catch from one of Michael Grossman's local island trips.

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