

Chum Line

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Bill Boyce a Favorite Guest Speaker Don't Miss this on Jan. 25th

Bill has been a guest speaker on several prior occasions but to update any older bio material your editor went on line. If you really want to do this guy justice you'd replicate what you can read on his website www.boyceimage.com. Bill is a native Californian who has been active in angling, conservation and the journalistic aspects of sport fishing since virtually the age of 14. With a degree in fisheries biology his career began with the US Forest Service performing habitat and fish population work in Colorado, Alaska and Oregon. Next came a stint with the Inter American Tropical Tuna Commission (IATTC). Aboard major fishing vessels he helped supervise the catch of many pelagic species in the Eastern Pacific. Bill's interest in underwater photography led to his success with some of the most prestigious angling events and support of treaties by the US Govt. to endorse international fishery treaties. Check out his "in the nets" tuna pictures.

Now recognized as an international photo journalist his images can be seen in many magazines, TV productions documenting events at many sport fishing venues. He has many feathers in his cap possibly none more telling than being a co-producer on "Inside Sportfishing" and features shown on the Outdoor Channel. In his "spare" time he builds rods, markets photos, represents the IGFA in California, is a member of the board at NCMC (National Coalition for Marine Conservation), etc. etc. Call him at 800-319-8216 or fax at 661-296-6681. See also "Angler's Digest" which he directs and produces...more info on bboyce@igfaanglersdigest.com. If you miss this dinner event you'll truly be sorry!

Be there and call in your reservations to Mike Godfrey at:
818 808-4909 or email larrcdinnersvp@yahoo.com



Message from the President

As we enter into the Holiday Season, I want to take this opportunity to wish all the club members and their families a very happy and healthy holiday season.

With the water cooling, and the San Diego fleet soon to be home for the winter, I look back on the year. We have had some outstanding fishing in Mexico this year, and local fishing was at times, simply amazing. But, for myself, it is the club events that stand out, and define the year.



This year's Lou Berke Special Needs Trout Derby was a rousing success, with the best trout fishing in the events' history. A beautiful day, filled with the cries of laughter from children catching fish, and having a great time. In July, our premiere event, the Annual Kid's trip out of Pierpont Landing was a very successful event. The day was beautiful, the sea was flat, and many of the boats had wide open barracuda bites that lasted all morning. In August, we had two Marine Mentor trips, both with a record number of volunteers giving of their time to take these deserving kids fishing. We also had the Annual Club Picnic at beautiful Lake Sherwood, offering food, fishing, boating and fun; with a record number of club members and their families. Finally, in October our King of the Calico Tournament was a successful event spent on the water vying for the title.

I would be remiss if I did not mention what may well be a turning point in our sports future. The Southern California MLPA process is nearing completion, with many questions and even fewer answers regarding access to our coastal waters. This has been a brutal fight to protect our beloved sport, with three of our own heavily involved in the battle. **John Ballotti, Merit McCrea and Joel Greenberg**, I salute your efforts and commitment.

While the year and my term as president in this wonderful club is waning, I foresee an exciting year to come. We have over ten club charters for 2010, with Vancouver and Baja Sur on the itinerary. Our board of directors will have new blood, with new members getting involved, and making our club better than ever.

Finally, I would like to thank the officers, board of directors, chairs, and trustees, for helping make this a year I will never forget.

Happy Holidays,

Scott Schiffman

December 14—Next Board Meeting

The next board meeting will feature the combined 2009/2010 Officers and Directors.

Location: the MARINA CITY CLUB
4333 Admiralty Way
Marina Del Rey
(310)822-0611.

Cocktails: 6:00 pm.

Dinner: 7:00 pm.

Info Call: Steve Simon (818) 980-7470

PICTURES ARE WHAT MAKE THESE PAGES MORE INTERESTING!

By Will Ebersman

Club member Will, an avid photographer, has sent along some guidelines for getting better photographic results during your fishing outings.

1-Get down on the same level as the kids and shoot straight on when you can.

2-Try to position yourself to shoot so the sun illuminates the subjects' faces. This eliminates dark shadows around the eye sockets.

3-Zoom in or out to frame the subjects in the viewfinder, leaving enough room for cropping (trimming) the image.

4-Try to get some action shots rather than the usual static shot of a fish suspended by the tail or standing on its nose.

5-Remember to get your subject to smile!

When sending the photographic images via electronic media, choose a resolution size that is large enough for a quality reproduction. I suggest no more than 2 megapixels so the images are easy (and quick) to transmit. Since the *Chum Line* pictures are relatively small, there should be more than enough detail in the picture.

Consult your camera manual for directions on setting the image size. I also suggest you try sending an image at several resolution settings before a fishing event to verify the image quality. ■



Fish Report for Nov. 7-11, La Paz Charter, by Bert Serden

With sunny skies, temperature in the 80's, all the food and drink you could want—what could have been better? Members **Dietmar Kruger, Dave Levinson, Sam Rubinfeld, Bert Serden** and **Ted Weitz** and four of Dietmar's crew, great pangeros and calm seas, the group did very well. (Sorry but Jerry Weisman had to stay home and be Nurse Nancy to his wife)

Fish count:

- 2 wahoo, including a 50# by Bert on 30-lb. line.
- 2 rooster fish, including a 60# by Ted Weitz on 30-lb. line
- 61 yellowfin tuna
- 17 dorado including a 37# by Dave Levinson on 40-lb. line
- 5 Pargo and 4 Cabrilla

- A gazillion needle fish, the pest of the sea, and a variety of aquarium species, the bait of sardinias, lady fish, cocinero and some of the biggest bonita I've ever seen

It sure was interesting to watch this group rise at 0400 (0300 LA Time) to ride out to the beach for an hour to start fishing at day break and watch the golden sun rise over the horizon. La Paz is situated on a large, u-shaped bay and it is more practical to drive to the launch site rather than spend two hours going around the corner to the prime fishing areas

The pangeros surprised us with the way they find the various species and the baits that attract them. I've been doing it for more than 15 years and I continue to be amazed at their ability.

Come join us for the next trip. ■



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LARRC 2010 CALENDAR OF MEETINGS

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JANUARY

18 Board Meeting
25 Dinner Meeting

FEBRUARY

15 Board Meeting
28 Awards Brunch
Dinner Meeting None

MARCH

22 Board Meeting
29 Dinner Meeting

APRIL

19 Board Meeting
26 Dinner Meeting

MAY

17 Board Meeting
24 Dinner Meeting

JUNE

21 Board Meeting
28 Dinner Meeting

JULY

19 Board Meeting
26 Dinner Meeting

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Foundation Meetings to be announced.

All meetings begin 6 pm.

Dates and locations to be determined.

AUGUST

23 Board Meeting
30 Dinner Meeting

SEPTEMBER

13 Board Meeting
27 Dinner Meeting

OCTOBER

18 Board Meeting
25 Dinner Meeting

NOVEMBER

15 Board Meeting
22 Dinner Meeting

DECEMBER

20 Board Meeting
Dinner Meeting None

JANUARY 2011

24 Board Meeting
31 Dinner Meeting

FEBRUARY 2011

21 Board Meeting
27 Awards Brunch
Dinner Meeting None

CALENDAR

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Dinner Meetings

No Dinner Meeting in DEC.

Next: January 25th

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.

At Valley Inn
4557 Sherman Oaks Ave, Sherman Oaks

Board Meetings

December 14

Next: January 18

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.

Next Board Meeting is at the Marina City Club, see page 2 for details.

Dinner: 6:00 pm • Meeting: 7:00 pm

At Valley Inn
4557 Sherman Oaks Ave, Sherman Oaks

Other Dates

December 19, 2009
Foundation Tackle Sale
J&T Tackle, Simi Valley

February 28
Annual Awards Brunch,
Braemer Country Club

March 3-7
Fred Hall Tackle Show, Long Beach

March 24-28
Fred Hall Tackle Show, Del Mar

October 5
King of the Calicos Tournament

FINAL ELECTIONS RESULTS ANNOUNCED!

The following members have been elected to the LARRC Board of Directors:

Rob Baldwin
Nick Ekdahl
Stan Choo
Mark Manculich
Bert Serden

These results were not in order of votes received.
Congratulations!

-Norman Weinstock, Election Chairman

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.

Pacific Dawn Local Charters

Pacific Dawn Weekend Charters 2010

Ventura-Harbor Village

Sat. Mar. 13, Sat. April 10 and Monday May 3rd

1-Departures: 9-10 pm prior to fishing date.

2-Return: Approximately 7 pm

3-Cost \$185—Not Included Fish Cleaning, Food & Drinks, fishing license (-15%) Gratuities and fuel surcharge if required, 100% payment required to hold your spot

4-Loads limited to 16 but Chartermaster may overbook by 1.

Pacific Dawn Tuna Charter

San Diego—Fisherman's Landing, 1.5-Day Fishing

1-Departure: Sunday, August 22 at approx. 9 pm.

2-Return: Monday morning, August 23 at 6 am.

3-Cost: \$420—50% deposit required to reserve spot (\$210).

Make all checks payable to LARRC and send to Jim Carlisle 7128 Seawind Drive, Long Beach, CA 90803. For information call (562)598-0940(H) or (310)332-9770(W) email; Jamesnc@earthlink.net (H) or james.carlisle@ngc.com (w). Co-charter person is Jan Howard (949)837-1431 saltwater-woman@cox.net

Qualifier 105 5-Day Tuna Trip

July 25-30, 2010

For information call Dave Levinson at (818) 785-1776 or email: dajplevin@roadrunner.com

Terrific price announcement—based on light load of 24.

More than half sold out as of 10/30. Spots not sold will be filled by Q105. \$1795 is the tab. Sign up now as we have a promised El Nino year coming up!

ANNOUNCEMENT...

Eric Rogger's annual *Polaris Supreme Charter* is scheduled for Aug 7-12, 2010. The days are Saturday through Thursday. For information contact Eric at (310) 476-5936 or wstridge@aol.com.

NORTH KING LODGE -

Bert Serden Charter Master

35 MI NW OF Prince Rupert in British Columbia. This is a floating lodge between Rivers Inlet and Prince Rupert on the mainland side. The owner advises that 2009 was the best year of fishing they can recall. Fishing is done near shore and not on the open ocean.

Rooms are double with ensuite facilities. Two sets of foul weather gear provided for nice or nasty days. Fully guided 10-hour days of fishing including day of arrival.

After overnight, departure is from Vancouver's South Terminal to Sandspit and then a float plane to the lodge arriving about noon. Present plans call for July 3rd (Sat.) to July 6 (Tue) departing July 2nd from LA. The lodge is fully booked for every other date in July and August.

Nine players are booked so far. The price will be \$3,245 Canadian plus air to Vancouver, plus one night hotel and gratuities. Players booking this trip will need birthdate to secure trip cancellation insurance. Regarding time for deposits and other details contact: Bert Serden (310) 278-3439 or email: bserden@roadrunner.com

The Lodge at Walters Cove, Kyoquot Inlet, Vancouver Island

Charter Master - Arnie Cohen: (818) 368-5834.

The package includes round trip to (air) Port Hardy from Vancouver with connecting floatplane service to Walters Cove. Hot tubs, lounge and poker table, deluxe private bathrooms, all meals snacks and soft drinks. Ten hrs. of professionally guided fishing per day includes all tackle and bait. Lockers for raingear and boots, cleaning, filleting, vacuum packing, flash freezing and boxing of catch.

Roundtrip air from LAX to Vancouver @ \$356. One night at Vancouver Hotel \$90 per person/double occupancy. Fish limits as of Jan.09 = 4 king salmon, 4 silver salmon, 3 ling cod, 4 snappers and two halibut. Prices: 2 guests per room/boat \$2695, 3 per room/boat \$1995. **The Lodge has a web site www.westcoastresorts.com or call Arnie: (818) 368-5834**

Charter listings are continued on next page.

Club Charters continued...

	<u>FISHING DATES 2010</u>		<u>BOAT</u>	<u>LANDING</u>	<u>ANGLERS</u>	<u>NOTES</u>	<u>COSTS</u>
TRIP 1	May 15	Sat.	<i>Highliner</i>	Redondo Beach	6		\$285.
TRIP 2	June 15-16	Tue.-Wed.	<i>Ultra/alt. Amigo</i>	San Pedro	8	WSB opener	\$325.
TRIP 3	June 26-27	Sat.-Sun.	<i>Toronado/alt. Amigo</i>	Long Beach	15 (+ kids)		\$325.
TRIP 4	July 2-6	Fri.-Mon.	(N. King Lodge)	Vancouver		Salmon, Halibut	\$3950.
TRIP 5	July 24-26	Sat.-Mon.	<i>Ultra</i>	San Diego	8	Tuna, 1.5 day	\$695.
TRIP 6	Sept. 11-14	Sat.-Tue.	<i>Pacific Dawn</i>	San Diego	16	2.5 day	\$895.
TRIP 7	Oct. 5-6	Tue.-Wed.	<i>Toronado</i>	Long Beach	13x2	King of the Calicos	\$200.
TRIP 8	Oct. 23	Sat.	<i>Highliner</i>	Redondo	6		\$285.
TRIP 9	Nov. 13-17	Sat.-Tue.		Baja		Not including air.	\$895.

The price of these trips includes tip, galley (except *Highliner*, bring your own lunch) and fish cleaning.
Charter Master is Barry Cohn, 310. 479-9600 Xt. 221 or email: bcohn@cohandler.com



FISH OF NOTE...

WON reports on several unusual blue fin tuna caught off Cape Cod this season. Angler, **Ken Huff** of Seal Beach latched on to a 925-lb. blue fin for his “fish of a life time”. The story mentions that he also had a 815-lb. fish. Using a 30W Penn Reel with 200-lb. spectra and a 200-lb. mono top shot the fish had to be winched aboard since they were too big to be gaffed. Wow!

Also reported on was a 313-lb. yellowfin caught aboard the *Royal Star* by fisherman **Mark Oliver**. Dock reporter, Bill Roecker's story related this catch as most unusual since it was accomplished on 60-lb. test. He said it was the biggest tuna caught on such light line in 16 years. ■

Mark Oliver's supercow. Bill Roecker shot this at the landing.

Foundation Activities

The Foundation's 3rd Annual Pre-Owned Tackle sale at Bob Sands produced a whopping \$3550.

Special thanks go to **Chas, Will, Tom, Marv, Tom, Andy, Scott, Arthur, Mike, Rob and Ross** for all their help with the Swap Meets—without all of you we wouldn't have been able to do such a great job. Special thanks and with great appreciation to **SAL VAL-LONE** for permitting us to use the parking lot facilities at Bob Sands Fishing Tackle.

We will be taking remaining tackle to J & T Tackle in Simi Valley on December 19 for their monthly swap meeting. Tell all your friends!

Foundation Awards Scholarships

The LARRC Foundation recently awarded scholarships to four outstanding CSULB students. The winners were selected from twenty applicants majoring in marine biology. Graduate students, **Kady Lyons** and **Victoria Gray**, received \$2000 awards and undergraduates, **Joanne Linnenbrink** and **Justin Hackitt**, received \$1000. All four have been invited to attend the club dinner meeting in January 2010. The graduate winners will be scheduled as dinner speakers later in the year so they can share their marine research with the club members.

February 28th will be the Annual Awards Banquet & Auction

At this time donations have been coming in **very slowly**—would appreciate any of our members who are able to solicit items for the auction—if the would, could do so to make our auction a great success.

For information contact **Steve Simon: 818-980-7470, cell 818-469-7561.** ■

HOW THE FIGHTS START! Sent by Bert Serden...Thank you!

One year, a husband decided to buy his mother-in-law a cemetery plot as a Christmas Gift.

The next year, he didn't buy her a gift. When she asked him why, he replied, "Well you still haven't used the gift I bought you last year!

And that's how the fight started...



I asked my wife, "Where do you want to go for our anniversary?"

It warmed my heart to see her face melt in sweet appreciation.

"Somewhere I haven't been for a long time!" she said.

So I suggested, "How about the kitchen?"

And that's how the fight started...

Thank YOU!!!

The following members have donated to the Foundation with their annual membership renewal. You are herewith honored!

Wayne & Linda Caywood, Arnie Cohen, Goody Epstein, Michael Hartt, Dave & Joan Levinson, Gabriel Martinez, Bernie Mayers, George Mio, Sam & Ann Rubenfeld, Joseph Palty, Arnold Stein, Norm Weinstock



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TEN NOVEMBER DAYS ABOARD THE Q105



Expectations ran high when 25 of us assembled at the Point Loma landing in preparation for our long-range **Larry Brown** charter. It looked like the height of the albacore season but without parking problems and at least five long-range boats getting ready to load.

Since this was not an LARRC oriented trip I will only say that we had a group of nice guys but with extraordinary amounts of tackle. You could not have placed another duffel or reel bag or tackle box on the deck. A full load of sardine

bait took hours to load but lasted us throughout the trip. With some question remaining about the availability of Guadalupe, we headed straight for the "ridge". A series of high spots along the western edge of Baja's Peninsula was the target. Our arrival at the Potato Bank was greeted by four other boats already kite fishing, etc. over what I presume is a relatively small area. No room at the inn!

We tried for the finger banks and then made a move towards Alijos Rocks, some hours into that direction the skipper got some

better news and turned around. Never have so many anglers caught so few fish for the first 2.5 days. Most frustrating for all! We got caught up on reading, trolling and knot tying adventures. The weather? Gorgeous! After 3.5 days found ourselves in the area off Magdalena Bay. Never have I seen such a wide-spread area of dolphin breaking the surface. It just seemed to go on indefinitely with the beautiful sea mammals riding the bow waves.

Then it broke wide open....yellowfin tuna, although not the larger version they were catching a

few of at the Potato bank! Fish from 15 to 35 lbs. readily took the baits and the decks ran red...We would fish for a couple of hours then move on to the next dolphin area. It was not hard to get a bite including good results with blue and white Tady lures. The next few days also saw some decent yellowtail fishing off Cedros and Benitos. What seemed to produce most results were the dropper loops with 8-oz lead to get you down. This resulted in many yellowtail up to 35 lbs. We saw but 16 wahoo for the trip and three of these took the jackpots.

Totals: 493 yellowfin, and 201 yellowtail, one dorado.

If you can overlook the fact that we did not encounter the larger model yellowfin tuna it was a great trip. Anyone who wanted limits could get them. Lots of action on the albacore sized tuna. Good practice for next year. The **Q105** crew was great and the food good and plentiful and the skipper, **Joe Ricci**, never quit looking. Want to join me next year? —Eric Rogger

TROPHY CONTENDERS 2009 AS OF NOVEMBER 25

SPECIES	LINE TEST	ANGLER	LB.OZ.	SPECIES	LINE TEST	ANGLER	LB.OZ.
MEN'S OCEAN WATER				MEN'S RELEASED			
Albacore	25	Chas. Schoemaker	25 4	Bass, Striped	6	Scott Schiffman	11 9 *
Bass, Calico	4	John Ballotti	4 15 *	Bass, Striped	8	Scott Schiffman	9 7
Bass, Calico	6	John Ballotti	5 13 *	Bass, SM Mouth	4	Scott Schiffman	3 11 *
Bass, Calico	15	Nick Ekdahl	3 14	Trout, Lake	12	Al Scow	36 0
Bass, Calico	15	John Ballotti	4 15 *	Trout, Rainbow	3	Steve Simon	3 0 *
Bass, Calico	20	Joel Steinman	4 0	MEN'S RELEASED			
Bass, Calico	30	John Ballotti	7 3	Black Sea Bass	40	Kevin Jusilla	Released
Bass, Calico	12	Steve Simon	4 11	Halibut, Pacific	100	Dietmar Kruger (320+)	Released
Black Sea Bass	40	Kevin Jusilla	Released	Roosterfish	20	Chas. Schoemaker	Released
Halibut, California	8	Rob Baldwin	30 0 *	Roosterfish	25	Brad Stich	Released
Halibut, California	12	Steve Simon	23 4	Roosterfish	50	Bob Selvin	Released
Halibut, California	16	Paul Varenchik	35 5	Roosterfish	50	Alan Dunn	Released
Halibut, California	30	Randy Sharon	46 0 *	Roosterfish	65	Chas. Schoemaker	Released
Jack Cravalle	20	Chas. Schoemaker	16 2 *	Sailfish	25	Rob Baldwin	Released
Jack Cravalle	30	Earl Warren	26 8 *	WOMEN'S			
Jack Cravalle	50	Alan Dunn	27 0 *	Amberjack	30	Pamela Warren	26 8
Jack Cravalle	65	Chas. Schoemaker	25 0 *	Mackerel, Sierra	30	Pamela Warren	10 12 *
Red Rock Cod	25	Barry Cohn	4 8	Marlin, Striped	50	Jan Howard	Released
Roosterfish	30	Earl Warren	77 6 *	Roosterfish	30	Pamela Warren	17 8
Roosterfish	50	Earl Warren	92 6 *	Salmon, King	25	Mercedes Giannini	43 0 *
Salmon, King	20	Barry Cohn	25 0	Tile Fish	65	Jan Howard	26 0 *
Salmon, King	25	Pete Giannini	31	JUNIOR MEMBERS			
Sierra	40	Bob Selvin	10 2 *	Albacore	25	Dominique Perriseau	34 9
Tuna, Bluefin	25	Chas. Schoemaker	37 0	Albacore	30	Sophia Perriseau	39 3 *
Tuna, Bluefin	30	Dan Felger	32 4	Albacore	30	Dominique Perriseau	38 6
Tuna, Bluefin	40	Mike Hartt	80 4 *	Barracuda	10	Arthur Schiffman	8 7 *
Tuna, Bluefin	50	Jim Carlisle	60 11	Barracuda	10	Arthur Schiffman	10 0 *
Tuna, Yellowfin	100	Dennis Saylor	140 5	Bass, Calico	12	Dominique Perriseau	5 2 *
Tuna, Yellowfin	130	Dennis Saylor	174 8	Bass, Lg Mouth	8	Ryan Weinstock	3 0 *
Tuna, Yellowfin	130	Dennis Saylor	182 2	Bass, Lg Mouth	8	Miles Rosberg	3 2 *
Tuna, Yellowfin	125	Al Scow	237 0	Bass, Lg Mouth	8	Miles Rosberg	3 2 *
Vermillion Rockfish	50	Nick Ekdahl	6 0 *	Bass, Striped	8	Arthur Schiffman	11 8 *
Wahoo	60	Chas. Schoemaker	47 10 *	Bass, Striped	6	Arthur Schiffman	10 4 *
White Sea Bass	20	Larry Dinovitz	25 0	Blue Gill	8	Drew Dickter	Released
White Sea Bass	20	Dirk Perriseau	21 4	Jack Cravelle	50	Jackson Dunn	25 6 *
Yellowtail	30	Carl Ekdahl	30 0	Halibut, California	15	Dominique Perriseau	26 1 *
Yellowtail	30	Nick Ekdahl	30 0	Red Rock Fish	25	Dominique Perriseau	8 1 *
FLY ROD				Roosterfish	40	Jackson Dunn	Released
Barracuda	12	Rob Baldwin	6 8 *	Sheepshead	25	Dominique Perriseau	12 6
Bass, Calico	12	Rob Baldwin	3 8 *	Trout, Rainbow	4	Alexis Warren	6 5 *
Bass, Calico	16	Jim Carlisle	3 2 *	Tuna, Bluefin	30	Sophia Perriseau	47 1 *
Bonito	12	Rob Baldwin	8 6 *	Tuna, Yellowfin	25	Dominique Perriseau	37 2 *
Trout, Cutthroat	4	Bert Serden	3 3 *	Tuna, Yellowfin	30	Dominique Perriseau	43 12 *
FRESH WATER				Whitefish	12	Jesse Nangle	2 8 *
Bass, LG. Mouth	3	Andy MacDonald	4 1 *	White Sea Bass	15	Dominique Perriseau	20 8 *
Bass, LG Mouth	6	Joel Steinman	4 11 *	Yellowtail	30	Dominique Perriseau	31 8
Bass, LG Mouth	6	Scott Schiffman	5 9 *	*Possible Record.			
Bass, LG Mouth	10	Joel Steinman	3 8 *	First Game Fish of the Year-White Sea Bass			
Bass, LG Mouth	20	Dan Felger	3 15	21.4 lbs—Dirk Perriseau—22 May 09			
				First Game Fish of the Year-Albacore			
				Dan Felger—8 June 09			

The Most Unusual Catch of the Season!

It is probable that most of you will not remember the details of the last major fundraiser/annual banquet held at the Braemar Country Club. It was February '09 and one of the silent auction bid items donated was a trip on Sam Rubinfeld's boat out of Marina Del Rey. I bid on this trip hoping to help the Foundation as well as to have a good time with some LARRC buddies.

For various reasons we could not take advantage of this until late August. **Sam, Steve Simon, Andy MacDonald** and I made up the motley foursome. It was a beautiful summer day on the water, enhanced by a full tank of sardines, and the sandwiches and fruit brought to keep the well-fed contingent from starving.

The water temperature measured about 65 degrees with only a slight chop barely resulting in whitecaps. Fishing was normal for a couple of hours with the requisite number of small sand bass and occasional bonito being hooked. The water looked fairly green. Nothing exciting happening so we prevailed on Sam to take the boat a bit more offshore. All had been reading about the good yellowfin tuna fishing presently going on. A couple of hours of driving in a southwesterly bearing saw us closer to Catalina than originally planned. Our skipper noted that the water temps had crept up and now was in the low seventies! He was looking for color breaks and signs of other sea life, including the possibility of encountering that perfect kelp paddy. I jokingly suggested that we put out the trolling lines but of course we were not equipped for "bigger" stuff. Luckily, Sam has a rack of gear mounted on the ceiling

of the "HMS Rubinfeld's" cabin. So we recruited a 665X rod which was joined to a Penn 30 International filled with 50-lb. mono.

As they do on the big boats, we took turns at trolling while the others were debating the important issues of the day. Sam, on the bridge, was trying to follow the plume of warmer water we had come across. It was not consistent but we finally did see some bird life and distant breaking surface activity. It was at this point that the cedar plug being dragged was hit by a small tuna which we released. This activity really woke up the entire contingent. Another strike turned out to

be a very small yellowtail but at least things were happening.

I'm not good at reading ocean charts but believe we were near the southern tip of Catalina when Sam noted that we would have a long ride home. Just then another jig strike!. This one bent the rod but good and Steve was on....That fish took one heck of a run and half spooled the reel with Steve hanging on for dear life and screaming for a belt. A small Smitty belt was produced and with the boat following the fish he was starting to gain line when it took off again.

Sam...that cockpit of yours will have to be modified if you intend doing this kind of fishing! Let me tell you guys, Steve Simon got the cardiovascular exercise of this life and I'm glad we didn't have to have him airlifted to the nearest hospital.(joke)

About 50 minutes later the fish came to the swim step. We realized that we didn't have gaffs to cope with the fish we saw and the cockpit would not have accommodated it anyway. Besides what would you do with a monstrous fish once you got it back to Marina Del Rey? So, being the good sportsmen, we released it after prying the lure out of its mouth. We all eyed this beast up close and agreed that it would have been a jackpot contender on a long-range boat. Of course no one had thought of bringing a camera on such a mickey mouse excursion. So to document his experience, Steve got a friend to lend him a fish mount so he could at least have some after the fact satisfaction and bragging rights. See attached and stare in awe! —by Eric R. ■



Final Word on the MLPA Process... (maybe)

The State of California Fish & Game Commission will be meeting at **The Raddison Hotel, Los Angeles Airport, ABC Ballroom on DEC 9th.** The hotel is located at **6225 Century Blvd.** Public Speaker cards will be available at 9:00a.m. and must be turned in by 10 a.m. Public Testimony will be heard until approximately 12:30 p.m. The time allotted will be determined by the number of speaker requests.

At approximately 1:30 p.m. a joint session will be convened with the MLPA Blue Ribbon Task force and the F&G Commission to overview the MLPA process. Discussion items: Time, Public Participation and Budget, Comparison of four proposals., Science Advisory Team Analysis, Ecotrust economic impact analysis, Feasibility Analysis by Dept. of Fish & Game, Department of Parks Feasibility Analysis!

The meeting continues to December 10th. For a complete agenda go to www.fgc.ca.gov.

Regarding December 14 Board Meeting

The next Board Meeting will Feature the combined 2009/2010 officers and directors.

The location will be...

the Marina City Club
4333 Admiralty Way
Marina Del Rey
(310) 822-0611.

Time for Cocktails is 6:00 PM..

Dinner at 7:00 PM.

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