

Chum Line

Good Sportsmanship is Worth More Than all the Fish in the Ocean



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Our cover photo is of Dan Felger. It dates from one of his proudest moments when in 2005 he caught this beautiful yellowfin tuna weighing 301 lbs. One of the club's originals, Dan passed November 19th.

Mike Rossberg, his son-in-law, authored the obituary on page 2 "Tribute to a Most Unusual Person".



There is no December dinner meeting. LARRC members of all faiths will hopefully have a joyful and peaceful Holiday Season! We look forward to another year of "doing our thing", enjoying our outings, fishing responsibly, loving the camaraderie and being good neighbors!

TRIBUTE TO DAN FELGER

Dan lost his courageous battle against carcinoma on November 19th at the age of 80. He died peacefully with his wife and family at his side.

Born in Los Angeles in 1930, Dan was a highly successful real estate developer and investor. He served in the Navy during the Korean War, was a graduate of UCLA and lived overlooking Lake Sherwood.

A true sportsman, he engaged his lifetime passion for fishing and pioneered long-range fishing in Southern California and joined the LARRC in its founding year, 1950. He helped guide the club into becoming one of the leading sport fishing clubs and was its first two-term president. Also serving as chairman of the Foundation he held many offices and was instrumental in developing the Kid's Trips which has since been emulated by other clubs.

Club presidents and other officers found a mentor and advisor in Dan helping to insure the long-term success of the organization. He was passionate about his sport and was as comfortable fishing for giant tuna as well as largemouth bass. Advice to novices was never lacking and he also passed on this passion for fishing by quietly paying the dues for members who had fallen on hard times. He would often pay for a trip having no plans to attend, passing his spot to a club member who could not afford to go.

Dan beautifully integrated his passion for family, Real Estate and Fishing. "Gramps" to all his fishing friends, "Mr. LA Rod and Reel Club" to all those who knew of his dedication to all things fishing. He changed the rules to allow women members, was twice president and almost single-handedly saved the club in the '80s. He served on every committee since the club's founding in 1952. The continued success of the LARRC can be gratefully placed in his honor. He was personally known to all the San Diego sport fishing fleet. He was a constant source of fishing information especially the Long Range Fleet. The Excel, Q105, Polaris Supreme, are a few of boats he knew and loved.

The only thing he loved more than fishing was catching. In November 2005 he set a record that is yet to be matched. He caught seven yellow fin tuna over 200 lbs. and one over 300.

Dan lived his life with class, hard work, generosity, integrity and love. Husband, father and friend, he is survived by his loving wife Carolyn, his brother Richard and wife Silke, daughter Tracy and her husband Michael, his daughter Karen, his son Brad and wife Valerie, his son Donald and wife Robin, grandchildren Katie, Megan, Danielle, Haley, Miles, Mikey, Holden and great grandchildren Ivory and Dominique.

He was a friend to all and he will be missed. May his memory be a blessing.



This obituary was prepared by Mike Rossberg, Dan's Son-In-Law- and also a member of LARRC. Thanks Michael!

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE By FRANK POLAK

Much has been written on these pages about the passing of **Dan Felger**, our last remaining charter member and possibly the most influential person in LARRC history. There were three things about Dan to keep in mind as we sign off on 2010 and head for 2011

Dan was generous about things like paying dues for members experiencing financial difficulties and picking up the tab for fishing trips for those same members. Thing was, he didn't want you to know it.

When it comes time to donate to the LARRC Foundation, keep in mind the kids getting their first fishing experience. It's the main thing the Foundation does, along with grants to fisheries enhancement research. The Kid's Trip and the Marine Mentors Trips don't exist without your help. Dan was a big supporter of both. He just never made a big deal about it.

Dan was also unique in that he had a passion and the means to pursue it. Lots of anglers fish without involving others. Dan lived on a lake and could go out whenever he desired. But he never ventured out alone.

Dan enjoyed taking other people with him and introducing them to the freshwater side of the game at his home at Lake Sherwood. Same held true for saltwater. He encouraged many a member (including your club president) to participate in multi-day and long-range trips.

He offered advice (some of it you even asked for!) and would even let you use one of his outfits or lures to get you bit. The lesson...take somebody fishing... especially a youngster or someone who has never fished before. Nothing

like that first fish as a lifelong memory. Dan provided plenty of them.

Lastly, flat out, Dan loved the Club. Whenever someone brought a guest on a Club trip, he would always say, "get him (or her) a membership application." LARRC always came first with him. Know someone who likes to fish? Bring them to a meeting. Better yet, get them on trip, then bring them to a meeting.

It's the way Dan Felger did things during his 61 years as a member of the LARRC. As the wise man said, "Couldn't hurt!"

Here's how you can contact me for information on becoming a bigger part of the LARRC!

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FINAL ELECTION RESULTS.

Rob Baldwin, Elections Chairman, has announced the following members who have been elected to the Board of Directors: **Barry Cohn, Ross Lombard, Andy MacDonald, Cathy Needleman, Bob Selvin and Joel Steinman.**

The listing is not in order of votes received.

Congratulations!



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My \$2,500 TUNA! A Fish Report by Eric Rogger

It's the end of November—that time of the month where I start thinking about the next issue of the *Chum Line*. Not too many people out fishing this time of year so there's not much point in nagging others for the usual reports.

It did happen, however, that I just returned from a 10-day trip aboard the *Q105* and even though I was the only club member aboard, it was interesting enough—I hope—to merit your attention. Besides, I need to fill up these pages.

We left Nov. 4th rounding the point, with over 20,000 sardines aboard, a bit after noon. Judging from the fish caught by incoming boats laid out at the landing I felt certain that our destination would be Alijos Rocks. The marauder lures were at the ready. A short load of 20 was soon to learn of discouraging reports from boats that had just visited the rocks.

The run there takes almost three days but we made an early course correction and headed east towards the “ridge” about four hours west of Magdalene Bay. The fourth morning, saw us among vast schools of dolphins, bird activity and water temperatures in the upper sixties/lower seventies. The kites were set out and a rotation started.

Spirits were high and anticipation intense as we were in cow territory. Soon the kites with their double sardine rigs started to get bites. I didn't stand around taking notes but it took almost two hours for me to get a hook-up. The gear, a boat rig, included 130-lb. test mono with a 200-lb. leader. My last act before leaving home was to leave my large belt—thinking we'd be

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Right: Eric Rogger with 198-lb. tuna calf. Bottom right: Jackpot winners Bottom left: Fish on deck.



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concentrating on wahoo and school-size tuna...my bad! A big mistake! Should have done more push-ups too.. Well I finally boated a tuna that turned out to be a "calf"—198 lbs. Why do my fish always insist running from stern to bow and make me need help to get around the anchor?

I'll spare you the agony and can assure you that particular fish would never have qualified for anything under IGFA rules. We spent three more days in this area. The night of the third day we moved closer to the bay and loaded up on mackerel. The fourth day—back at the banks—and another day of significant tuna fishing. I say significant because we wound up with about 40 extra large YFT. 15 of the 20 anglers aboard achieved their personal best. The largest fish caught turned out to be a 345-lb. monster, the biggest of the current season. It took 3.5 hrs. to bring to the boat and was dead when gaffed. Most of the tuna fell into the 100- to 220-lb. category. We stopped up the line for a small number of yellowtail and even fished rock fish for a couple of hours.

In conclusion I should note that I lost four of the larger fish with leaders fraying and line parting.

My excuse...I like to fish light tackle and made efforts with 60-lb. line., 60-lb. flouro leaders on a Penn 30W reel. **Captain Joe Crisci** may never let me on the boat again!

PS - Just received word that the largest current cow was boated Nov. 18 on the *Supreme* at 379.8 lbs. ■

MLPA UPDATE

Those anglers not up to date with developments concerning the upcoming fishing closures off our coast can get caught up by looking at the November Chumline and referring to page 3. Your environmental committee posted a memo with many pertinent details. Most important, your club made a donation of \$5000 to the Ocean Access Protection Fund.

The OAPF challenged the conclusions, arrived at by the BRTF/DFG, and asked the court to allow a closer inspection of documents and underlying data than was being allowed. The court decided in favor of the recreational community noting that these activities were State activities and public scrutiny in order.

Los Angeles Rod & Reel Club received the following letter acknowledging receipt of our financial support of the litigation being carried on by OAPF. This is being spearheaded by Bob Fletcher, former President of Sportsfishing Association of California (SAC) with United Anglers acting as facilitators.

TO: MEMBERS OF THE LOS ANGELES ROD & REEL CLUB
FROM: JOHN RIORDAN, TREASURER, UASC.

I wanted to give you our thanks for the \$5000 donation which LARRC made to the Ocean Access Protection Fund. Our legal bills have been mounting but we have won the first round with the judge approving by court order our request for a Public Records Search from the Fish & Game Commission, California Dept. of Fish and Game, MLPA Blue Ribbon Task Force, Science Advisory Team and Stakeholders Groups.

This has amounted to over 10 gigabytes of information being transmitted thus far which the legal team has been poring over. We can't reveal much more at this time due to legal issues involved. The fight is proceeding and you will be hearing more in the future.

Signed - John Riordan, Treasurer

Note: It appears they were given but ten days to review these documents.

We noted that the DFG has posted a memo to the net re: proposed changes to MPA's in the South Coast area. (On 11/23/2010) Persons interested in these details can find them at: <http://www.fgc.ca.gov/regulations/new2010/proposedregs10asp#632SC>

Individuals interested in making their personal contributions to the OAPF can find out more about it at www.OceanAccessProtectionFund.org or send their checks to: 1933 Temple Ave. Signal Hill, California 90755 (562)494-9900

FINAL DECISIONS HAVE BEEN PROMISED BY END OF THIS YEAR. SO TIME IS OF THE ESSENCE!!

OFFICIAL CLUB CHARTERS

Please note that official LARRC Charters—official meaning that the club has a financial commitment. 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 Weekend Charters

The board has asked that the price of charter trips be adjusted to more inclusive so as to minimize out of pocket expenses once aboard. The Ventura overnight trip price now includes food, fish cleaning and crew gratuities. The only additional out of pocket expenses once aboard are beverages and the optional jackpot. The San Diego 1.5 day trip price now includes food, Mexican permits, and crew gratuities. The only out of pocket expenses once aboard are beverages, fish cleaning and optional jackpot.

VENTURA - Harbor Village

1-Day Overnight Fishing Sat. March 12; Sat. April 09; Mon. May 02

- 1) **Departure:** Trips depart 9 p.m. the evening prior to fishing
- 2) **Return:** Approximately 7 p.m.
- 3) **Cost - \$260. Includes:** Food, Fish Cleaning and crew gratuities
- 4) **Not Included:** Beverages (Beer, Soda, water) & optional jackpot
- 5) **Limited Load:** 17 Anglers
- 6) **Deposit:** 50% deposit (\$130) required to reserve spot. Balance due no later than 30 days prior to trip.
- 7) **Checks:** Payable to LARRC. Send to Jim Carlisle at 7128 Seawind Dr. Long Beach, CA 90803

SAN DIEGO - Fisherman's Landing

1½ Day - Fishing Sunday Aug. 21st

- 1) **Departure:** Trip leaves Saturday evening 8/20 at 9 p.m.
- 2) **Return:** Monday morning 8/22 at approximately 6 a.m.
- 3) **Cost - \$510. Includes:** Food, Mexican Permits, and crew gratuities
- 4) **Not Included:** Beverages (beer, soda, water) fish cleaning & optional jackpot.
- 5) **Limited Load:** 16 anglers
- 6) **Deposit:** 50% deposit (\$255) required to reserve spot. Balance due no later than 30 days prior to the trip.
- 7) **Checks:** Payable to LARRC. Send checks to Jim Carlisle at 7128 Seawind Dr. Long Beach, CA 90803

For more information, contact the charter master: Jim Carlisle
(562) 598-0940 (H) jncarlisle@verizon.net
(310) 332-9770 (W) james.carlisle@ngc.com

Qualifier 105 5-Day Tuna Trip

July 16-21, 2011

- 1) Price is \$2095 which includes tips & Mexican Permits - actually cheaper than the 2010 trip.
 - 2) Limited Load of 24.
 - 3) Only extras will be beverages.
- Sign Up Now! Call Dave @818 785.1776
email: dajplevin@roadrunner.com

Salmon, Halibut and Nature Fishing July 1st - July 5th

For the second year, we return to **North King Lodge** to fish the protected waters for runs of salmon as they return to the rivers of their birth as well as for hefty halibut.

Several hundred miles north of Vancouver in a desolate bay, the only fishermen to be seen for the entire duration of your trip is our group! Fish in well-equipped boats with tackle using barbless hooks (for salmon). North King provides every room with a well marked chart of spots that have been productive in the past and which allow the angler to choose guided, partially guided or unguided options with confidence.

Your boat will be cleaned and refueled whenever you return to the dock. You can return to the lodge at any time for lunch or other reasons, since the fishing areas are close by. For the diehard fisherman, you can have your lunch delivered to your boat and get comfort knowing your boat is available from dawn (6am) to dusk (10pm). Your room has two complete en-suite facilities, and the lodge provides warm pants and jackets, boots and rain gear. Tackle and bait are provided as well.

Packages range from \$3200 to \$3700 depending on the guiding option chosen and may even be reduced by an additional \$300 if we meet certain numbers of reservations. Airfare to Vancouver and gratuities are not included. This trip is limited to the first 20 callers, and we already have half that number. Call Bert Serden at (310) 278-3439 or mail@bserden@roadrunner.com.



Fish for the Exotics The "Grandslam of Fishing" is to catch a bonefish, a permit and a tarpon on the same trip. For six days beginning **April 28-May 2, 2011**, Bert Serden will be leading a group anglers to the **Florida Keys** for just such an experience. These fish are so spooky that guides pole their boats in shallow waters to avoid alarming them and to give the fishermen an opportunity to sight cast to the fish.

The total cost is estimated at \$1750 per person including guides, tips, air fare, transportation and hotel.

If you would like to be included, call Bert Serden at (310) 278-3439 or email at bserden@roadrunner.com. The number of fishermen who can be accommodated is limited, so first come first served.

TROPHY CONTENDERS 2010 AS OF NOV. 25

SPECIES LINE TEST ANGLER LB.OZ.

MEN'S OCEAN WATER

Albacore	20	Wayne Caywood	31	0
Albacore	25	Earl Warren	33	8
Albacore	25	Barry Cohn	21	0
Bass, Calico	20	Chas. Schoemaker	5	2
Bass, Calico	55	Joel Steinman	3	8 *
Ling Cod	80	Barry Cohn	26	8
Rockfish, Copper	50	Nick Ekdahl	6	0 *
Roosterfish	17	Chas Schoemaker	6	10 *
Roosterfish	25	Andy MacDonald	23	7 *
Roosterfish	65	Mike Grossman	80	0 *
Roosterfish	80	Joel Steinman	80	0 *
Salmon, Coho	30	Bert Serden	11	0
Salmon, King	25	Allan Gorden	26	0
Salmon, King	25	Dave Levinson	23	0
Salmon, King	30	Bert Serden	26	8
Snapper, Cubera	65	Joel Steinman	26	0 *
Tuna, Yellowfin	100	Sherwood Kingsley	216	0
Tuna, Yellowfin	130	Al Scow	112	8
Yelloweye Cod	80	Barry Cohn	10	0 *
Yellowtail	20	Sherwood Kingsley	15	0
Whitefish	6	Joel Steinman	7	10 *
White Sea Bass	25	Arnie Stein	30	3

MEN'S RELEASED

Jack Cravelle	6	Chas Schoemaker	Released
Jack Cravelle	6	Steve Simon	Released
Marlin, Striped	80	Carl Ekdahl	Released
Roosterfish	8	Steve Simon	Released
Roosterfish	15	Nick Ekdahl	Released
Roosterfish	17	Chas Schoemaker	Released
Roosterfish	25	Chas Schoemaker	Released
Roosterfish	20	Kristofer Ekdahl	Released
Roosterfish	30	Andy MacDonald	Released
Tarpon	20	Merit McCrea	Released
Tarpon	40	Merit McCrea	Released
Tarpon	40	Earl Warren	Released
Tarpon	50	Earl Warren	Released
Tarpon	65	Earl Warren	Released

FLY ROD

Bass, Striped	10	Rob Baldwin	8	0 *
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SPECIES LINE TEST ANGLER LB.OZ.

FRESH WATER

Bass, LG Mouth	6	John Ballotti	6	3 *
Bass, LG Mouth	6	Marc Manculich	4	1
Bass, LG Mouth	8	Joel Steinman	3	15
Catfish, Channel	6	Earl Warren	10	0 *
Pike Northern	4	Ben Susman	12	8
Salmon, Kokanee	6	Tom Speirs	2	6 *
Trout, Lake	8	Ben Susman	44	0 *
Trout, Mackinaw	8	Tom Speirs	14	8 *

WOMEN'S

Salmon, Silver	10	Helayne Sharon	12	0 *
Sheephead	30	Pamela Warren	12	2 *

JUNIOR MEMBERS

Albacore	20	Blake Rosen	21	2 *
Bass, LG Mouth	6	Montana Manculich	3	13
Bass, Lg Mouth	6	Ian Sharon	2	9
Bass, Lg Mouth	6	Dylan Varenchik	2	1
Bass, LG Mouth	8	Miles Rosberg	2	15
Bass, LG Mouth	8	Miles Rosberg	2	13
Bass, LG Mouth	8	Holden Rosberg	2	1
Catfish, Channel	6	Montana Manculich	3	0
Pike, Northern	4	Jake Susman	16	0 *
Salmon King	40	Doug Smith	32	10 *
Salmon, Silver	10	Ian Sharon	10	0 *
Salmon, Silver	10	Olivia Sharon	10	0 *
Sheephead	25	Adam Jussila	6	0
Sierra	20	Mitchel Weinstock	3	8 *
Trout, Lake	10	Jake Susman	29	0 *
Trout, Rainbow	6	Hailey Varenchik	2	0 *

First Game Fish of the Year

Yellowtail	65	Randy Sharon	20	0
June 11, 2010				

First Albacore of the Year

July 19, 2010	Earl Warren	33	8
July 19, 2010	Sherwood Kingsley	20	Est.

Future Meeting Dates...

DEC. 20th—Board Meeting No Dinner Meeting

The Foundation Wishes to Acknowledge Receipt of these December Tributes Received.

In Memory of Diane Vogel

by Linda and Steve Simon

In Memory of Dan Felger

by Linda and Steve Simon

Tammy and Joel Steinman

Nickie and Michael Godfrey

Sandi and Norm Weinstock

Pamela and Earl Warren

Tom Carlisle

Eric and Jeanne Rogger

Ruby and George Mio

Francine and Paul Varenchik

Roberta and John Rhind

Silvia and Miro Hussenjam

Margeret and George Meigs

Todd Thibodo

In Memory of Pam Warren's Father

by Tammy and Joel Steinman

FOUNDATION ACTIVITIES

SWAP MEET -November 13, 2010. We participated in the JT Tackle Swap Meet in Simi Valley. With donations collected, we sold \$1100 worth of tackle. We have a lot left over for the February Swap Meet....Location to follow...

Thank you Scott Schiffman, Arthur Schiffman, Tom Speirs, Barry Cohn, Will Ebersman, Emilio Rebollar, and future member Tim Morian.

ANNUAL AWARDS BANQUET & AUCTION

- Date set for February 27, 2011 at Braemar Country Club. We are now starting to collect items for the auction. Put your "running shoes" (fishing waders) on - we need lots of items to make this another successful auction.

8TH ANNUAL LOU BERKE TROUT DERBY

- April 8, 2011 This year the principals of the schools asked if they could bring additional students. With that WE NEED MORE VOLUNTEERS. Please talk to your family and friends - we will need at least 50 more bodiess or a total of approximately 150 volunteers.

*Thank you Everyone,
for all the help during 2010!
Steve Simon*

Memberships

Applied for Family Membership...
Jessica and Lior Lewensztain

Health & Welfare

LARRC send condolences To Bill Vogel on his loss of his Life Partner Diane.

CALENDAR

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Dinner Meetings

JANUARY 31

Next: NO DINNER MEETING IN DEC.

All Club members are welcome to attend. Please RSVP to: Mike Godfrey 818.808.4909; or email larrcdinnersvp@yahoo.com at least two days prior to meeting and confirm if you are having dinner.

Dinner: 6:00 pm • Meeting: 7:00 pm
At Valley Inn
4557 Sherman Oaks Ave, Sherman Oaks

Board Meetings

DECEMBER 20

Next: JANUARY 24

All Club members are welcome to attend. Please RSVP to Frank Polak at 818/881.8634, email frankpolak@wolveshockey.net at least two days prior to meeting and confirm if you are having dinner.

Dinner: 6:00 pm • Meeting: 7:00 pm
At Valley Inn
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Sherman Oaks

Other Dates

February 27
Annual awards Banquet
Braemar C.C.

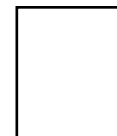
April 8
Lou Berke Trout Derby, Hansen Dam

January Dinner Guest
Announced...

Mark Mills of Shimano will present
New products

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