

# Chum Line

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



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## MARCH 22 DINNER SPEAKER.....

Legendary founder of Seeker Rods, Joe Pfister, will be our guest speaker in March.

This guy has a wealth of knowledge on both the long range and local fishery and it's a program you will not want to miss!

Call Steve Simon with your dinner reservations. (818) 980.7470 or email [simonmurphy08@sbcglobal.net](mailto:simonmurphy08@sbcglobal.net)

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE By Frank Polak

Aaah...it's finally spring. The days are getting longer and a bit warmer. The squid are starting to show around the islands and there's talk of white sea bass. Thanks to El Niño, lakes, streams and rivers are filling up. The Fred Hall Show is here (Mar 3 -7). It's time to go fishing.

With the "rough seas" of 2009 behind us, 2010 promises to be a better year for everyone, especially LARRC. We're already rolling with the January dinner meeting nearly filling the dining room at the Valley Inn for Bill Boyce and his presentation on Costa Rica. By the time you read this we will have held our annual Awards Banquet and Foundation auction with a sold-out crowd. Haven't been to a dinner meeting for a while? Time to check things out. Our fine program chair, Bob Selvin, has covered the bases. You can find out what to use (Joe Pfister, Seeker Rods;

Wendy Tochiara, Izorline, to how to cook your catch (superchef Mike Cimarusti).

Need a fishing trip? We're offering a record number of charters this year. The choices include local excursions (the *Highliner* from Redondo Beach) to the always popular *Pacific Dawn* trips from Oxnard and San Diego. In addition to the annual *Qualifier 105*, five-day trip, there are a number of trips sailing from LA Harbor and San Diego. The full schedule can be found in the *Chum Line* (but you already knew that!) Chartermaster names, telephone numbers and email address are available in the same section.

There is good news and bad news on this front. The good news—plenty of trips to choose from. The bad news—many of these trips are sold out, or nearly sold out. Don't wait if you want to get on any of these fine trips, get in touch with the appropriate

chartermaster for details.

Lastly, don't forget to save a day to pass along your love of fishing to a deserving youngster. The Lou Berke Trout derby in early April, the Kids' Trip out of Pierpont Landing in July, and the Marine Mentors trips in August are just 3 ways to give a "little something" back to the sport. It only takes a day. The memories last a lifetime.

LARRC is also looking for a few new members this year. To accomplish this goal, we're preparing a membership drive with a special prize for the current member bringing the most new members into the club. Details will be available at the next dinner meeting and in upcoming *Chum Line* issues.

So come on out and join us, whether it's on the water or a dinner meeting. It's going to be a great year!

Dedicated to Fishing, Fun, Relaxation, and Companionship!

# FOUNDATION ACTIVITIES

*Your LARRC Foundation is a charitable organization. Donations may be deducted. The Foundation allows members to perpetuate sportfishing, help needy kids and entertain those with handicaps to enjoy the pleasures of our favorite pastime.*

Tammy Steinman, will be happy to take your calls and requests for information at  
818- 987-2645  
fax 818 345-6104 or email her at [tammy2509@socal.rr.com](mailto:tammy2509@socal.rr.com)

*TRIBUTES are acknowledged from...*

**Cathy Needleman...**  
*“Congratulations on **Frank Polak** Becoming the new LARRC President”.*

**Also from Cathy and Steve Needleman...**  
*honoring her father, long time club member **Don Lee**, on his 80th birthday.*



## Lou Berke Seventh Annual Trout Derby for Special Needs Children

Please reserve this date:

**FRIDAY APRIL 9**  
**7:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m**

**LOCATION: Hansen Dam Aquatic Center**  
**Lake View Terrace**

**BREAKFAST AND LUNCH WILL BE SERVED**

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**THE FOUNDATION IS AGAIN LOOKING FOR 100 VOLUNTEERS TO SUPPORT OUR TOURNAMENT/DERBY FOR 40 SPECIAL NEEDS CHILDREN!**

# FISHERY ITEMS OF INTEREST

**MORE BLUEFIN UPDATES** The Obama administration has expressed support for listing the Atlantic Bluefin Tuna under the CITES treaty. It did so in a conditional way pending the nature of new restrictions and reduced quotas—which haven't been enforced in the past. Cites listing for any species means it cannot be traded internationally. The Cites nations (175 strong) have a meeting scheduled in Doha, Qatar March 13-25th.

**SALMON FORECAST FOR 2010 OPTIMISTIC** *West Coast*

*Highliners* reports that on Wednesday, Feb. 24th, the Pacific Fisheries Management Council (PFMC) released projections showing California's Sacramento fall-run Chinook salmon as partially recovered from a historic low abundance. Scientists have concluded that in 2010 the number of returning Sacto-River adult fish is expected to exceed the conservation objective by 123,000 fish. Recreational anglers have

been banned from pursuing these fish since Nov. 2007 and may see a return in 2010.

**FISH FARMING PITFALLS**

A column in the Feb. 15 *LA Times* carries the byline of Rosamond L. Naylor and George H. Leonard. Ms. Rosamond is director of the program on food security and environment at Stanford University. George Leonard is director of the aquaculture program at the Ocean Conservancy in Santa Cruz.

More than half of our seafood comes from aquaculture, often from foreign sources. Just as growing pigs or chicken in tight quarters, so does raising fish carry high risks. Diseases and parasites are easily transmitted. Caged fish sometimes escape and threaten native species. In Chile such environmental impacts were ignored and salmon aquaculture there has collapsed, it was one of their leading exports and job creators.

Rep. Lois Capps (D.Santa

Barbara) has introduced a bill in the House "National Sustainable Offshore Aquaculture Act" to address potential threats of the new poorly regulated fish farming industry.

**\$177,000 WAS THE PRICE** paid at a recent Tsukiji (Tokyo/Japan) auction for a 513-lb. blue fin tuna. *The NY Times* (1/10/10) article noted that it was the highest price paid for the disappearing species since 2001 when a 440-lb. fish sold for \$220,000.

**HELP ON THE WAY FOR SHARKS**

Anyone who's been out fishing knows how frustrating it can be to finally get that trophy fish to with-in gaffing distance only to have it torn to pieces by a shark. Now we are asked to think of these predators as a necessary part of the ocean environment. Due for a vote in the Senate is bill S850, The Shark Conservation Act. It was passed in the House last fall. As readers might already know, for

many years sharks have been longlined, their fins and tails cut off, and then thrown back still alive. Certain oriental cultures crave these parts for their beneficial—medicinal (?) values. The act would require all sharks to be landed with their fins intact and would apply to all vessels in US waters. Non-conformance by other nations would result in sanctions.

**FERC BEING SUED FOR LACK OF WAVE ENERGY PLANNING**

Late last fall, six groups representing California fishermen, local governments and environmentalists sued the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission to require better planning for wave energy projects on the west coast. The FERC people have received applications for 20 such projects. They have conducted no studies or developed plans to guide the projects which re certain to impact fisheries.



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## 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  
Cost \$185

### **Pacific Dawn Tuna Charter**

San Diego—Fisherman's Landing, 1.5-Day Fishing  
Fishing Sunday, August 22  
Cost: \$420 (Includes food and Mexican permits.)  
All trips are full but cancellations do happen. Accepting fishermen on wait list. Call or email Jim Carlisle for up to date information! [jncarlisle@verizon.net](mailto:jncarlisle@verizon.net); 562.598.0940 (H) or [james.carlisle@ngc.com](mailto:james.carlisle@ngc.com); 310.332.9770 (W).

### **Qualifier 105 5-Day Tuna Trip**

July 25-30, 2010  
For information call Dave Levinson at (818) 785-1776 or email: [dajplevin@roadrunner.com](mailto:dajplevin@roadrunner.com)  
Terrific price announcement—based on light load of 24. **Trip is filling fast, all unsold spots will be filled by Q105 after February 15th.** \$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](mailto:wstridge@aol.com).

### **The Lodge at Walters Cove, Kyoquot Inlet, Vancouver Island**

This is a five-day trip. All but three slots are filled. For information and additional details call: Arnie Cohen (818) 368.5834. Note: The Lodge has a web site [www.westcoastresorts.com](http://www.westcoastresorts.com)

### **North King Lodge**

July 2-6 A floating lodge NW of Prince Rupert in British Columbia. This trip is currently sold out but may be expanded. For details call Bert Serden (310) 278-3439 or email [Bserden@roadrunner.com](mailto:Bserden@roadrunner.com)

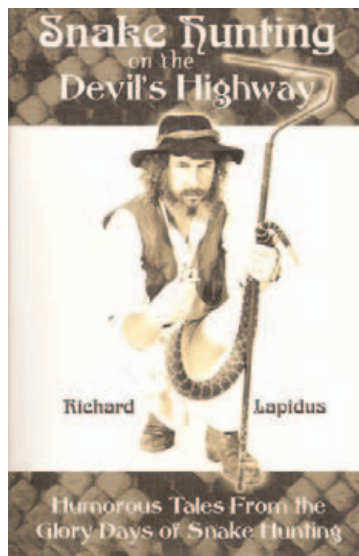
## More Club Charters

	<u>DEPART</u>	<u>RETURN</u>	<u>LANDING</u>	<u>VESSEL</u>	<u>ANGLERS</u>	<u>DESTINATION</u>	<u>COSTS</u>
TRIP 1	5/15-6AM	5/15-7PM	REDONDO	<i>Highliner</i>	6	LOCAL	\$285
TRIP 2	6/14-9PM	6/16-7AM	PIERPONT	<i>Pacific Star</i>	8	WHITE SEABASS	\$325
TRIP 3	6/24-5PM	6/28-9PM	CANADA	<i>N. King Lodge</i>	15 (+ kids)	SALMON, HALIBUT	\$4000*
TRIP 4	7/24-9PM	7/26-7AM	SAN DIEGO	<i>Ultra</i>	8	TUNA	\$635
TRIP 5	8/20-9PM	8/22-AM	SAN DIEGO	<i>Ultra</i>	8	TUNA	\$635
TRIP 6	9/11-9PM	9/14-7AM	SAN DIEGO	<i>Pacific Dawn</i>	13x2	TUNA	\$895
TRIP 7	10/5-9PM	10/6-7PM	LONG BEACH	<i>Toronado</i>	13x2	King of the Calicos	\$200
TRIP 8	10/23-6AM	10/23-7PM	REDONDO	<i>Highliner</i>	6	LOCAL	\$285.
TRIP 9	10/30-2PM	11/3-3PM	LA PAZ	Various	Not including air.		\$950

**FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL: Barry Cohn, 310. 479-9600 Xt. 221 or email: [bcohn@cohandler.com](mailto:bcohn@cohandler.com)**

\*The charter master for the North King Lodge is Bert Serden. The trip is currently sold out but may be expanded. Call Bert (310)278-3439 or email: [bserden@roadrunner.com](mailto:bserden@roadrunner.com)

**ANNOUNCING 2 NEW BOOKS  
BY L. A. R. R. C. MEMBER RICHARD LAPIDUS**

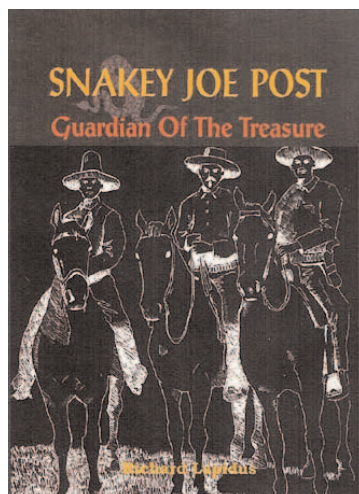


**Snake Hunting on the Devil's Highway**

**HUMOROUS TALES FROM THE GLORY DAYS OF SNAKE HUNTING**

On his first snake hunting trip to southeastern Arizona, the author was taunted and belittled by the owner of a small café because he expressed a fear of insects. The author extracted revenge by releasing a large rattlesnake in the crowded eatery. That's where the fun begins in this humorous accounting of the true-life trials and tribulations of two friends as they hunted for snakes and found themselves in the middle of sometimes dangerous, always funny, situations.

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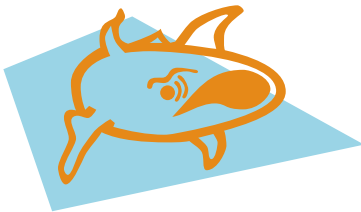
## 2010 Meeting and Event Calendar

Monday	January 18 <sup>th</sup>	Board Meeting	The Valley Inn, Sherman Oaks
Monday	January 25 <sup>th</sup>	Dinner Meeting	The Valley Inn, Sherman Oaks
Monday	February 15 <sup>th</sup>	Board Meeting	The Valley Inn, Sherman Oaks
Sunday	February 28 <sup>th</sup>	Awards Banquet	Braemar Country Club, Tarzana
Monday	March 15 <sup>th</sup>	Board Meeting	The Valley Inn, Sherman Oaks
Monday	March 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Dinner Meeting	The Valley Inn, Sherman Oaks
Friday	April 9 <sup>th</sup>	Lou Berke Trout Derby	Hansen Dam
Monday	April 19 <sup>th</sup>	Board Meeting	The Valley Inn, Sherman Oaks
Monday	April 26 <sup>th</sup>	Dinner Meeting	The Valley Inn, Sherman Oaks

Additional dates and events to be posted soon.....

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Emilio Repollar has applied for membership.



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### BIG AL SCORES AGAIN.....

As reported in the December *Chum Line*—see page 4—**Al Scow** made his own personal history by landing a 334-lb. Yellowfin Tuna on one of his frequent *Excel* Trips. **Here we go again!**

On another 16-day, *Excel* excursion (2/6/10) Al was on the kite, fishing a double sardine rig, when he latched on to his latest outstanding successful catch. A beautiful cow yellowfin tuna weighing in at 212.8 lbs. hit the scales at the landing.

Report and picture by Bill Roecker.

## CALENDAR

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### Dinner Meetings

March 22

Next: April 26

All Club members are welcome to attend. Please RSVP to Steve Simon at 818/980.7470, email [simonmurphy08@sbcglobal.net](mailto:simonmurphy08@sbcglobal.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**  
4557 Sherman Oaks Ave, Sherman Oaks

### Board Meetings

March 15

Next: April 19th

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

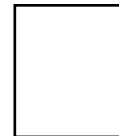
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### Other Dates

- March 3-7 Fred Hall Tackle Show, Long Beach
- March 24-28 Fred Hall Tackle Show, Del Mar
- April 9 Lou Berke Trout Derby Hansen Dam
- July 12 Annual Kids' Trip Pierpont Landing
- August 2 & 16 Mentor's Kids' Trips
- October 5 King of the Calicos Tournament

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