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LARRC Planning Annual Kids' Fishing Trip—Our 54th—for July 7th Reserve the Day Now

All club members should mark their calendars right now for Monday July 7th for the LARRC's 54th Annual Kids' Fishing Trip. We need volunteers to work as deck hands, dock crews, and all of the activities to assure another great day for the kids. This is the "premier" event of the year sponsored by LARRC and the Foundation. It requires a huge amount of organization and work by our members, but when you see the faces of these kids light up when they are fighting, possibly their first ever fish, it's all well worth it.

Last year we asked for your suggestions to make future trips even more successful. Last week we met to discuss each of the 24 suggestions and decided to implement most of them. It's your club,

your money and we listen. The most frequent comment was we had too many kids or needed more boats and we all agreed. This year we will be chartering a fourth boat from Pierpoint Landing so we can comfortably accommodate 400 kids. All of your comments and our decisions will be available by email on the LARRC website for your review. If you helped last year, I'm sure you'll want to help again. If you did not, please support your club this year—help the kids and have a blast. Here are a few quotes from last years' deckhands:

"Mackerel City—Kids reacted as if they'd caught a bluefin tuna."—Steve Simon.

"The kids seem to love the action at the bait tank and feeding the seagulls as much as catching fish."—Brad Stich.

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Impact of Recreational Fishing

The L.A. Times recently reported on a study, conducted every five years, by the Census Bureau and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. This study was given wide distribution by the ASA (American Sportfishing Association) and many in the media picked it up. The results might be expected but here it is in black and white:

Fishing remains the most important popular outdoor activity in the U.S. Its

huge ripple effect on the economy is virtually at all levels. Anglers contributed expenditures related to fishing—valued at \$42 billion. Additionally the broad economic values were estimated at \$116 billion for 2001. Sportfishing also supports more than one million jobs.

Now if we could only organize this massive resource as one potent voice. ■



Capt. Dave Bacon

Wave Walker Dave, featured May Speaker

THE MAY 19TH DINNER WILL HAVE SIX PACK CHARTER CAPTAIN DAVE BACON AND JENNIFER BACON AS OUR GUESTS. HIS BIOGRAPHICAL MATERIAL FOLLOWS:

Capt. David is an active sportfishing captain and owner/operator of Wave Walker Charters (a private charter, 6-pak service) in Santa Barbara. He grew up fishing the entire Southern and Central coast of California, and the islands of the SoCal Bight, as well as numerous fishing forays into Baja California. He knows most the fish out there on a first name basis, and has keen insights on how they feed and what they prefer. He writes columns and feature articles for: *Pacific Coast Sportfishing* magazine, *Fishing & Hunting News*, *The Log Newspaper* and the *South Coast Beacon*. He has occasional feature articles in nationally distributed magazines such as *Big Game* and *Sport Fishing*. He submits entertaining and narrative fishing reports to various fishing-related websites. Capt. David, a featured seminar speaker at fishing conventions, travels Southern and Central California to put on talks and seminars for fishing clubs and sporting goods stores, and has made numerous guest appearances on TV and radio shows. He can be reached at (805)964-2046 (h) or (805)895-3273 (Cell). Visit him at: <http://www.wavewalker.com> ■



Players (L to R): Stan Richstone, Max Wunderman, Arnie Cohen, Bob Jones



Kids' Trip

Continued from page 1

"It was wonderful seeing the kids faces when they caught a fish. They really seemed to enjoy the experience and the day."—Mike Godfrey.

"All the kids were well-behaved and got along beautifully."—Anonymous

"I see myself 40 years ago and wish I had had a club treat me to a day of fishing. Now I can make up for this and help other kids. I loved it."—Larry Brown

"The best part of the day was when one of the smallest kids pulled up a halibut that any club member would have been proud to land on his own. The look on the faces of the kids were priceless."—Andy Keowen

To sign up as a deckhand please call **Jim Port (909/783 2100)** or **Larry Brown (310/578-2288)** emails are—**jimport@prodigy.net** or **LMBrownxx @earthlink.net**. Tell us if you will be working all day or just a.m. or p.m., your T-shirt size and if you will be available the evening before for tackle assembly. ■

LOCAL CHARTER RECOUNTED

The Wednesday, April 9, club trip aboard the *Pacific Clipper*, saw seven brave souls leave Cisco's Landing at 5 am. Departing for Santa Cruz Island were members Max Wunderman, Ivor Hodis, Arnie Cohen and Stan Richstone as well as new LARRC member Bob Jones. Under direction of skipper Bruce and Deckhand Teddy, they encountered some pretty cold water.

Total Count for the day was 12 whitefish—one to 12 lbs., 22 ling cod, one calico bass, 12 miscellaneous rock fish and sculpin. All except, the calico were released.

Our intrepid reporter, Stan Richstone noted that all fished hard but suggested the 52-degree water slowed the bite. The day was beautiful and Max was funny. It was a fun experience and they're all hoping the water will warm up soon.

by Stan Richstone

EDITORS NOTE: Stan, since you didn't pass on any of Max's humor Chum Line will furnish it's own. (See next column).

Bert Serden is responsible for these.

QUOTATIONS ATTRIBUTED TO JEWISH MOTHERS!!!

GEORGE WASHINGTON'S JEWISH MOTHER—"The next time I catch you throwing money across the Potomac, you can kiss your allowance good-bye!"

MONA LISA'S JEWISH MOTHER—"After all that money your father and I spent on braces, That's the biggest smile you can give us?"

THOMAS EDISON'S JEWISH MOTHER—"Of course I'm proud that you invented the electric light bulb. Now turn it off and get to bed!"

ALBERT EINSTEIN'S JEWISH MOTHER—"But it's your senior picture. Couldn't you do something about your hair?"

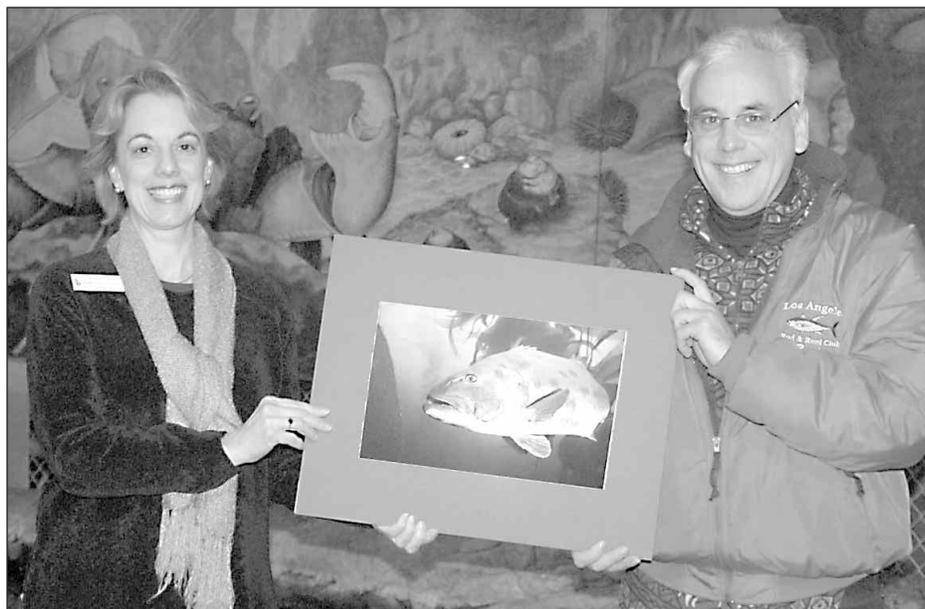
LARRC Honored at Cabrillo Marine Aquarium

By Randolph Sharon

The Grunion were running Friday night April 4, and the Cabrillo Marine Aquarium used the occasion to thank and honor their corporate and foundation sponsors with a special Meet the Grunion Evening. Foundation President **Randy Sharon** and **Helayne** and the kids, and Trustees **Mike Godfrey** and **Larry Brown** with their wives **Nickie** and **Marie** represented LARRC at this family and festive event.

All of the aquarium's fabulous exhibits were open. There was a great 15-minute video on the life cycle and sex life of the grunion. Hundreds of jars containing Grunion eggs were passed out and when technicians circulated with fresh sea water we all agitated the eggs, simulating a high tide, and watched with amazement the instantaneous live birth of hundreds of grunion. It was truly amazing—the miracle of life. Refreshments were served and then we all walked to the beach and waited for the grunion. Those who were able to brave the wind and cold were rewarded by millions of grunion riding the rising tide to perform their mystery mating ritual. The females burrow tail first into the soft wet sand and deposit their eggs, while the males fight to wrap around their chosen mate and deposit their sperm into the sand and fertilize the eggs. The eggs will hatch with the next rising tide sending billions of grunion out into the harsh sea.

The Cabrillo Marine Aquarium is a fantastic marine facility and the largest marine education aquarium in the word. They have wonderful exhibits and great education programs. The



Randy Sharon Foundation Chair with Kathlean Gahagan of the Cabrillo Museum.

LARRC Foundation researched several facilities in 2001 and decided to award a \$3000 grant to provide scholarships to 7800 underprivileged kids from the greater LA area to attend CMA's half-day Sea Search scholastic program. The program was a great success and in 2002 the Foundation voted a \$5000 grant to continue helping local underprivileged kids experience the CMA Sea Search program. **These are YOUR DOLLARS AT WORK.** You can be proud of the LARRC Foundation's efforts to help LA's kids experience and appreciate the ocean, frequently for the very first time.

Any LARRC member is invited to sit in and observe Sea Search class. I would certainly recommend a visit to the Cabrillo Marine Aquarium, especially with your kids or grand kids. I'm the kid in our family and totally love it. ■

BOB SANDS



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BOARD BUSINESS

by Jim Carlisle

YEARBOOK

Yearbook Information will be added to LARRC club site. LARRC.org

DINNER MEETINGS

Brett Goldberg will take over Dinner Meetings from Mike Godfrey

CHUM LINE

Directors discussed the need for sending *Chum Line* hard copies (mail) when the *Chum Line* is published on the internet as well. A questionnaire will reach members soon. Each member can then decide if they wish to discontinue their mail copy.

MERCHANDISE DISTRIBUTION

Francine Varenchik has volunteered to take over merchandise distribution.

CLUB PICNIC

Directors discussed a club picnic at Lake Sherwood for Sunday 7/27. Details to follow.

Health, Welfare and Happenings

Norman Weinstock had arthroscopic surgery on his knee. He will be recuperating for six weeks on crutches. We all wish him a speedy recovery!

Membership News

John Wyson has applied for non-resident membership. John lives at 29332 Tereee St. Laguna Niguel CA 92677. He's a CPA with Deloitte & Touche.

Michael Hartt has applied for active membership. He's in real estate and lives with wife, Ten, at 27475 Revere Way, Agoura, CA 91301

Robert Jones has applied for active membership. Bob is a teacher and lives with wife Ilyne at: 18789 Braemore Rd., Northridge, CA 91326

Scott Cohen has also applied for active membership. He's a marketing director who lives at: 22100 Burbank Blvd. #334-D in Woodland Hills, CA 91367.

Troy Varenchik has applied for Associate Membership. He's a CPA with Deloitte & Touche and lives with wife Alicia at 223 Prospect St. #A, Newport Beach, CA 92663

Trophy Winners as of April 25, 2003

SPECIES	LINE TEST	ANGLER	LB.	OZ.
OCEAN WATERS				
Albacore	30	Eric Rogger	26	
Bass, Calico	8	Richard Lapidus	2	3
Dorado	30	Earl Warren	26	4
Dorado	30	Earl Warren	35	6
Yellowtail	30	Don Lee	26	3
Yellowtail	50	Don Lee	27	14
FLY ROD				
Blue Fish	20	Eli Livnat	5	2 *
Bonefish	8	Raymond Yu	Released	
Bonefish	10	Raymond Yu	Released	
Bonefish	12	Don Lee	Released	
Cobia	20	Eli Livnat	28	0 *
Grouper	20	Eli Livnat	4	6
Sierra	20	Eli Livnat	5	4 *
Sailfish	20	Pam Warren	Released	
Trevally, Blue	12	Don Lee	Released	
FRESH WATER				
Bass, Peacock	20	Michael Grossman	17	0 *
Bass, Striped	2	Steve Greanias	6	8 *
MENS RELEASED				
Sailfish (8)	30	Earl Warren		
WOMEN'S				
Albacore	25	Jan Howard	31	5 *
Tuna, Yellowfin	100	Jan Howard	115	6
Wahoo	40	Jan Howard	35	0 *

WOMEN'S RELEASED

* New Club Record

First Game Fish of the Year

Jim Carlisle—White Seabass, 20 lb.—4-12-03

First Albacore of the Year

Eric Rogger—2-13-03



MULTIPLE DAY CHARTERS- 2003

Club Members please note: LARRC guarantees the boat operator the contracted number of passengers and payment for each charter trip. Your commitment to go makes you responsible for your fare and that of your guests.

QUALIFIER 105

5-DAY CHARTER — July 15-20, 2003

This trip is presently sold out. However, there is always the possibility of a cancellation. If you wish to be put on the waiting list, please contact the Chartermaster, Dan Felger at (805) 370-1632 or dan@sdartrealty.net

ALASKA TRIP

June 19-23rd 2003 Kingfisher Lodge at Sitka.

This trip is full but you may wish to be on standby.

For further information contact Arnie Cohen. Day Phone: 818-366-3300, Night Phone: 818 368-5834.

RED ROOSTER TRIPS 2003

4-DAY TRIP

Departs July 16th (Wednesday) at 1 p.m. Return July 20th (Sunday) at 9 a.m.

Cost is \$1165. \$200 Deposit to reserve your spot.

3-DAY TRIP

Departs September 10th (Wednesday) at 1 p.m. Return September 13th (Saturday) at 9 a.m.

Cost is \$795. \$100 Deposit to reserve your spot.

Mail checks to :

Arnie Cohen

11101 Viking Street, Northridge, CA 91326

Phone ofc: 818-366-3300

Home: 818 368-5834

QUALIFIER 105

CALICO BASS TRIP—Fri., June 6 - Fri., June 13, 2003

Contact Q105 office for details: 619 223-2786.

QUALIFIER 105

5-DAY TRIP— September 18 (Thurs.) - 23 (Tues.), 2003

1-Departure: Thursday, September 18. This trip will depart approximately at noon and return at 7 am.

2-Return: Tuesday September 23.

3-Cost: \$1635 which includes galley drinks, tips and Mexican permits.

4-22 Anglers will repeat last year's successful trip. Chartermaster may overbook by one. To secure your reservation send deposit of \$535 by November 30, 2002. Second deposits are due by April 1 (\$550) and final payment by July 1 (\$550).

Please don't hesitate to send in your deposit to: **Richard Stone c/o Richard Stone & Associates, 27600 Bouquet Canyon Rd., Suite 212, Saugus, CA 91350.**

Preliminary Information on LARRC's Annual "King of the Calicos" Tournament

The trip is tentatively scheduled for July 7th with an approximate departure of 9 pm from Pierpont Landing in Long Beach. Yes, that's the date and venue being considered at this time. According to Calico Bass Tournament Chair Bob Selvin, Curt Wegner, Skipper of the AZTEC, suggested that contestants board his boat on the same day as the Kid's Trip.

This would avoid another round trip for the players, most of whom don't live near the landing anyway. The return is scheduled for 6-7pm of July 8th and a limited load of sixteen has been signed up. "Bribe Me" Dan Fink and John Turner have volunteered to be judges. Additional details are being worked out and will follow next month. Call Bob Selvin (310)474-4143, email: RKSTBRED@aol.com



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Meet New Board Member Dan Fink

Rogger is apparently hard pressed for *Chum Line* material. He keeps bugging me for a bio or something for the newsletter. His is a thankless job and he managed to guilt me into providing filler.

I've been a member of the LARRC since the mid-'80s, but aware of the club my whole life. They used to charter my father's sport-fishing boat back in the '50s. Somewhere around here are photos from that era showing founders and early members (imagine Felger in his early 20s) with trophy catches. Dr. Charles Dorshkind's 20-lb. test club record white seabass was taken from that boat. I grew up not knowing our club founders, but knowing of them, and their legacy. I'm proud to be a member of the LARRC today.

I've been involved with fishing my whole life. I've worked with and for retailers, wholesalers and manufacturers. I've participated in design, development, marketing and sales of various fishing products, some many of you have probably used.

I've also worked on sportboats and managed a landing. Unable to satiate the need to fish, on occasion I've been known to take off on commercial fishing ventures. I've worked bonita and thresher sharks, the live fish markets,



Dan Fink on a good day of fishing.

seiners and light boats for squid and jugged albacore.

Nowadays, I'm content to stay closer to the beach and this past year, under doctor's orders, I've had to do so, I've recently been cleared to return to work, so please consider this a resume. This past year, with an excess of free time available, I did quite a bit

of volunteer work with United Anglers and California Sportsmen's Coalition. I strongly oppose marine closures and am doing all I can to fight them. A result of this is that I am your Marine Life Protection Act Citizen Committee Recreational Angler Representative. This is a state government selected group participating in deciding where we will and won't be allowed to fish along the coast. My group is responsible for Santa Barbara, Ventura and northern Los Angeles County. Please feel free to share your opinions and positions on these issues.

Let me add that anyone who enjoys fishing needs to be concerned and involved. Join either, or better both, United Anglers and the Recreational Fishing Alliance. Stay on top of what's happening and be ready to jump in when asked. The effect

of letters and emails to various government officials can be powerful when well timed. LARRC members have always been aggressive regarding fishery issues. A legacy I am proud of.
—Dan Fink ■

ADVERTISING POLICY

1/8 page: \$20 (standard business card)
1/4 page: \$40
1/2 page: \$80
Full page: \$160

- LARRC members will receive 50% discount on all ads;
- All ads must be submitted in finished form;
- Finished ad copy, together with payment, must be in the Editor's office by the 25th of the month to appear in the following month's issue;
- All ads shall be approved by the Editor prior to publication;
- No charge for ads from members pertaining to fishing trips or sale of personal items.

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7am - 3 pm

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C A L E N D A R

LARRC Charters 2003

MAY	15	Thursday
JUNE	4	Wednesday 25 Wednesday
JULY	10	Thursday 23 Wednesday
AUGUST	6	Wednesday 21 Thursday
SEPTEMBER	17	Wednesday
OCTOBER	8	Wednesday 22 Wednesday
NOVEMBER	12	Wednesday
DECEMBER	10	Wednesday



1. Departure time will be 5:00 AM SHARP, from Cisco Landing in Oxnard. However, some trips may depart earlier. These earlier departures will be at the sole discretion of the Charter Master after consultation with the Skipper.
2. The trips will be planned for local surface calico bass; however, opportunities to fish for exotics, such as white sea bass and yellowtail or salmon, will take precedent. Also, several trips will be for light tackle rock-fish and/or halibut at Santa Rosa or San Miguel.
3. Return time will usually be 4:00 - 4:30 PM, but could be earlier or later depending on fishing conditions and weather, and will be determined by the Skipper.
4. Sleeping accommodations will be assigned by the Charter Master. Please note that this boat has 3 state-rooms and 7 bunks.
5. This is a 6-pac charter. Loads will be limited to 6 people, including juniors. There will be no over-booking and juniors will pay full price.
6. Cost: \$140 Earlier departures will cost additional.
7. Charter price includes trip, bait, fish cleaning and tips. Not included are soft drinks, beer and food.
8. Reservations should be made through Arnie Cohen, 11101 Viking Ave., Northridge, CA 91326. Phone-msg. ctr. 818/366-3300, home phone 818/368-5834, fax 818/366-4945.



Dinner Meetings

May 19

June 30

Please note the HOT LINE number for future reference. Be sure to call it if you intend coming to our dinners. HOT LINE (818) 808-4909

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Board Meetings

May 12

June 23

All Club members are welcome to attend. Please RSVP to Paul Varenchik at 818/285-4645 at least 2 days prior to the meeting to confirm attendance and if you will be having dinner.
Dinner: 6:00 pm • Meeting: 7:00 pm

THE VALLEY INN
4557 Sherman Oaks Avenue, Sherman Oaks

Other Events

July 12, August 30, September 20
RFA 2003 Calico Bass Classics
Call 805 497-2333 for info

Foundation Meetings

June 2

September 1

December 1

All at 6pm at the Valley Inn

Upcoming Speakers

May 19

Capt. Dave Bacon & Tiffany Bacon

June 30

Phil Friedman 967-Tuna

July 28

Frank LoPreste of Royal Polaris

LARRC Weekend Charters Aboard the Pacific Dawn

The LARRC has scheduled 5 weekend charters aboard the 60 foot PACIFIC DAWN. 3 trips will leave from Captain Hook's Landing in Oxnard and 2 will leave from San Diego. Pat Cavanaugh recently purchased the PACIFIC DAWN and is planning extensive renovations, including new sleeping accommodations (20 individual bunks), larger bait capacity, and fish hold. Pat grew up in Ventura County and spent 9 years as deckhand and operator of sportfishing boats in the Port Hueneme, Oxnard and Ventura area. The past six years he has been operator of the EXCEL. The details of the charters are as follows:

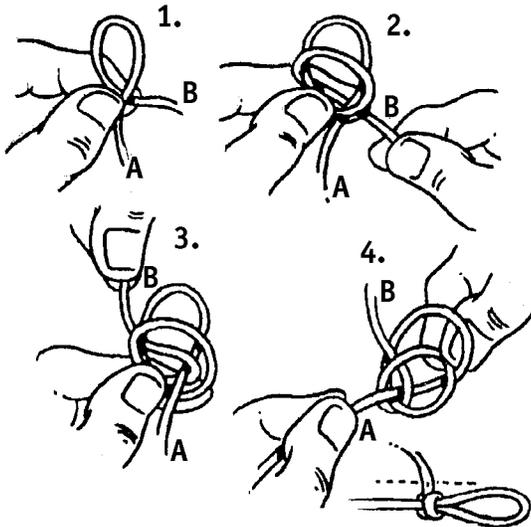
OXNARD *Departure Time:* 9:00 pm the evening before the scheduled trip.
Return time: 4 p.m.- 6 p.m.
Cost Per Person: \$125.00
Dates: Saturday, April 12, Sunday, May 18 (The above dates have been selected to coincide with the most advantageous moon phases.)
Boarding time: 8:00 p.m.

SAN DIEGO *Departure Time:* 11:00 p.m. (Saturday)
Return Time: 7:00 a.m. (Monday)
Cost per Person: \$315.00
Dates: June 28-29, August 23-24

Other Charter Policies: 1-Bunks are on a first come basis and cannot be reserved or saved; 2-Charter Price does not include, food, drinks, fish cleaning, tips or Mexican permits; 3-Club members are responsible for the conduct and financial obligations of their guests; 4-The Chartermaster will collect the trip costs at the time of the trip. However, if you sign up you will be responsible for the full amount of the trip cost in the event that you cancel and a replacement is not available; 5-The passenger limit is 15, but the Chartermaster shall have the right to overbook by one; 6-Reservations should be made through Arnold Scherpenborg at 805.376.2227(bus.)805. 376.2027 (fax) or 805 857.3171 (home)

Pete Thomas, our last speaker, talked knots. Here are some that you might want to practice in advance of the coming season.

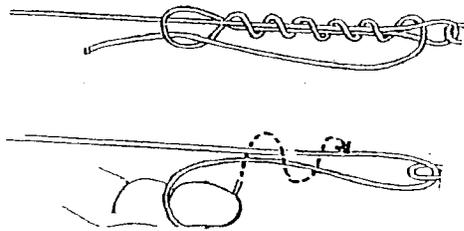
The Perfection Loop



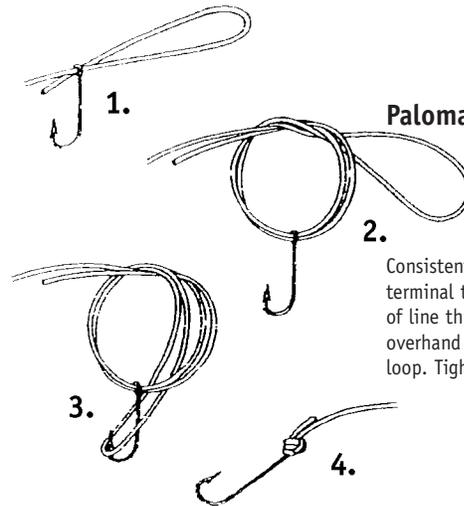
The perfection loop is a solid loop knot that does not slip. This knot is used by many anglers to give both bait and lures a natural look of movement from side to side.

1. To begin the knot make a loop, as shown in FIG.1, and hold the loop with your thumb and index finger.
2. While holding the loop, wrap line "B" around your thumb and the loop and hold as in FIG. 2.
3. Make additional wrap using line "B" and hold both wraps as shown in FIG. 3.
4. As shown in FIG. 4, grasp the first wrap with your thumb and index finger and pull it through the original loop. Holding the line "B" loop, seat the knot by pulling the line "B" loop and line "A" in the opposite direction.

San Diego Jam Knot

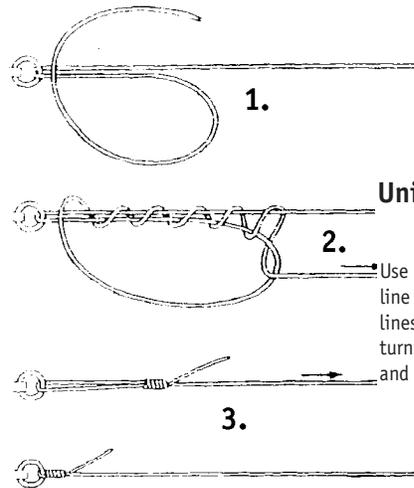


1. Run six inches of line through the eye of the hook or swivel and fold it back to make two parallel lines.
2. Holding both lines in your right hand, wrap the tag end around your finger, as shown above. Bring the tag back towards the eye using five or six spiral wraps around the two parallel lines. Pass the tag through the loop above the hook and then back through the loop caused by your finger. Pull the tag and standing lines together forming the knot above the hook. Wet the knot and carefully draw it down until it touches the hook.
3. Using double lines to tie the above knot can improve the breaking strength to upwards of 95 to 100 percent.



Palomar Knot

Consistently the strongest knot to hold terminal tackle. Double about 4 inches of line through eye of hook. Tie an overhand and then slip hook through loop. Tighten and clip closely.



Uni Knot

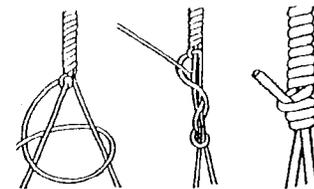
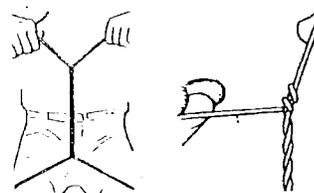
Use with lure, hook or swivel. Run 6" line and fold to make two parallel lines. Bring end through and make six turns. Snug knot and slide knot to eye and trim.

Bimini Twist

These directions apply to tying double lines of around five feet or less. For longer double-line sections, two people may be required to hold the line and make initial twists

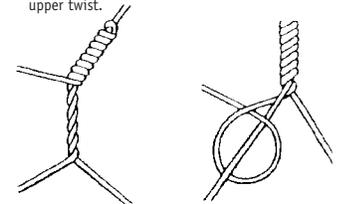


1. Measure a little more than twice the footage you'll want for the double line. Bring end back to standing line and hold together. Rotate end of loop 20 times putting twists in it.



With half-hitch holding knot, release knee pressure to keep loop stretched out tight. Using remaining tag, take half-hitch around both legs of loop, but do not pull tight. Make two more turns with the tag end around both ends of the loop, winding inside the bend of line formed by the loose half-hitch and toward the main knot. Pull tag end slowly, forcing the three loops to gather in a spiral.

2. Spread loop to force twists together about 10" below tag end. Step both feet through loop and bring it up around knees so pressure can be placed on column of twists by spreading knees apart.
3. With twists forced tightly together, hold standing line in one hand with tension just slightly off the vertical position. With other hand, move tag end to position at right angle to twists. Keeping tension on loop with knees, gradually ease tension of tag end so it will roll over the column of twists, beginning just below the upper twist.



4. Spread legs apart slowly to maintain pressure on loop. Steer tag end into a tight spiral coil as it continues to roll over twisted line.
5. When spiral of tag end has rolled over column of twists, continue keeping knee pressure on loop and move hand which has held standing line down to grasp knot. Place finger in crotch of line where loop joins knot to prevent slippage of last turn. Take half-hitch with tag end around nearest leg of loop and pull up tight.

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