

Chum Line



Good Sportsmanship is Worth More Than all the Fish in the Ocean NOVEMBER 2015

LARRC Dinner Guest Speaker

GARY BULLA ~ FLYFISHING THE EDGE, BAJA CALIFORNIA

Gary Bulla's presentation will take anglers through the fishing season in Baja Mexico. Panga fishing from large outboard skiffs close to deep-water can produce rod bending, spool burning skipjack and yellowfin tuna that test your knot tying.

It can also mean sight casting to rooster fish or dorado on the surface, a sport sure to provide a large dose of adrenalin when a fish takes a fly.

But fishing the edge in Baja can also mean paddling kayaks or wading in a river estuary among the mangroves casting lighter tackle for broomtail grouper, corvina, mangrove snapper, jack crevalle, spotted bay bass and African pompano.

Gary will share his discoveries with the club, including tackle and techniques for the dazzling variety of fish south of the border.

Before he discovered Baja, Gary Bulla grew up on the beaches and waters of the Southern California coast. He quickly realized that there was not a great deal of information out there about catching salt-water species on the fly and began to use his knowledge of tides and tidal life to not only chase down surf perch, but also corbina, halibut, and sea bass.

In 1989, he began accompanying his wife Theresa, on trips to Baja's Magdalena Island to experience the gray whales and their young. He brought a fly rod and he was astounded at the incredible variety of fish that were available in the waters of Baja. Thus began a second quest and



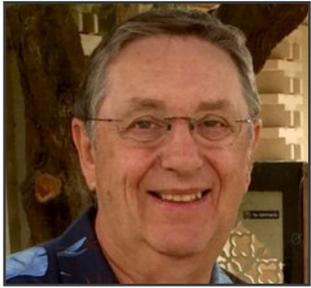
more years of experimentation that have led to his being one of the most active fly fishing guides for Baja waters and one of the more knowledgeable salt-water fly-fishers from Point Conception to the Sea of Cortez. He has landed over 140 species of fish in the salt on the fly. And he holds IGFA World Record for Flyrod on California Yellowtail. He spends several months a year hosting fly fishing blue water panga trips at Punta Arena/Cerralvo Island (in the Sea of Cortez) and other saltwater destinations. He also guides kayak fly fishing trips to Magdalena Island, Espiritu Santo Island and San Jose Island. Back at home he presents programs, teaches surf fishing clinics, writes articles and guides in the surf in southern California waters. His photos have appeared in The Drake, Fly Rod and Reel, Patagonia Catalog, Southwest Flyfishing, Flyfishing in Saltwaters, BBC Wild World and more. Idyllwilde Flies named him a "Signature Tyer" and launched their saltwater line of flies using his proven patterns.

**Change of Location for LARRC Dinner Meeting -
November 30, 2015**

**CORKY'S RESTAURANT - 5043 Van Nuys Blvd., Sherman Oaks
Please RSVP — ASAP!**

Email your RSVP to mgodfrey2@socal.rr.com • mgodfrey2@yahoo.com • LARRCDinnerRSVP@Yahoo.com

Please note: You do not need to select your entrée. If you are bringing a guest, state his or her name. See page 2 for more info.



WHAT'S ON MY MIND

By John Ballotti

Drift Gill Nets - Please read this insightful article by Theresa Labriola, West Coast Fisheries Project Director for Wild Oceans re-printed with her permission.

Driftnets are So Last Century

Memo to California

by Theresa Labriola, West Coast Fisheries Project Director

California takes prides in its reputation as a leader in environmental solutions that both protect our natural resources and spur economic growth, often inspiring other states, the U.S. government, and even other countries to follow suit. But when it comes to protecting open-ocean ecosystems from indiscriminate drift gillnets, California not only fails to lead, it's far behind the rest of the country and most of the fishing world.

High seas drift gillnets gained popularity in the mid 1900s when fishermen began deploying nets as long as 30 miles on the high seas, catching every- thing that came their way, including salmon, squid, tuna and swordfish as well as unwanted fish like marlin and shark, marine mammals, turtles and birds. They became known as "walls of death."

The preferred method of curtailing the impact of fishing with drift gill or entanglement nets has been to out-law them. In fact, today the U.S. west coast stands out as one of the few places these nets are still allowed. California's stubborn refusal to give up its fishery stymies efforts at the Pacific Fishery Management Council to move to more environmentally-friendly gears.

In 1987, the U.S. passed a law limiting the length of nets used in American waters to 1.5 nautical miles. In 1992 the United Nations made that the law on the high seas, banning the use of driftnets longer than 2.5 km in inter- national waters. Since then, because of continued bycatch problems with the shorter nets, many countries have completely banned the use of drift- nets, irrespective of length. New Zealand was one of the first, totally eliminating driftnets from its coastal waters in 1989. The 28-nation European Union did it in 2002 and a year later, the Inter- national Commission for the Conservation of Atlantic Tunas banned all drift netting in the Mediterranean Sea. This year, even Vladimir Putin announced that Russia will prohibit drift gillnets in his country's waters.

But the U.S. has a patchwork of rules, leaving it up to the states and Regional Councils to regulate driftnets of up to 1.5 miles. California's driftnets are about 1 mile in length (and 50 yards deep) and used to catch swordfish. Everywhere else in the U.S., these nets have been totally removed from fisheries for tuna,

billfish and sharks. Washington and Oregon, also members of the Pacific Council, banned them for swordfish and thresher sharks in their state waters. The Western Pacific Council bans driftnets from a 1.5 million square mile area surrounding the Hawaiian archipelago. The National Marine Fisheries Service has enforced a coast-wide prohibition on the use of driftnets in the Atlantic highly migratory fisheries since 1999.

"California is swimming against a national and global tide."

California and the Pacific Council are clearly swimming against a national and global tide that is doing away with drift gillnets because of the enormous ecological and economic costs of managing an unmanageable gear. Command and control of this fishery – time-area closures, changes in net depth, "pingers" to scare away whales, hard caps on protected species – just doesn't work. It diminishes the profitability and productivity of fishing while asking the taxpayer to subsidize efforts to keep driftnets fishing despite continued bycatch.

Undeniably, the fishery is a net loss to the economy and the environment. California needs to cut its losses and step up as the environmental leader it usually is, and help takes this gear out of the water and replace it with safer, greener alternatives that protect the health of ocean resources and coastal economies.

CHANGE OF LOCATION FOR LARRC DINNER MEETING - NOVEMBER 30, 2015 CORKY'S - 5043 Van Nuys Blvd., Sherman Oaks, CA 91403

The LARRC dinner meeting this month is scheduled for NOVEMBER 30, 2015 at CORKY'S Restaurant, 5043 VAN NUYS BLVD., Sherman Oaks, just North of the 101 freeway on Van Nuys Blvd (west side of the street). The cocktail and social hour begins at 6 p.m. and the dinner meeting starts at 7 p.m. Parking at side and rear of Corky's.



This month's guest is Gary Bulla, an expert in salt-water fly-fishing. If you've never experienced salt-water fly-fishing, now's the time to learn more about it. Join us for an informative and fun evening.

PLEASE NOTE YOU DO NOT HAVE TO SELECT YOUR MENU UNTIL YOU ARRIVE AT CORKY'S. HOWEVER, YOU DO HAVE TO RSVP.

Reserve Now: RSVP to: mgodfrey2@socal.rr.com or magodfrey2@yahoo.com or LARRCDINNERSVP@YAHOO.COM

Please include your name, and if you're bringing a guest, state your guest's name. Happy fishing - see you at the

MEMBERSHIP NEWS

At the October board of directors meeting the members completed three important tasks by approving Life Memberships, Distinguished Memberships, and Honorary Memberships.

Life Members are club members who in addition to previously being designated Distinguished Members have been club members for at least 30 years. The members approved for this prestigious category of membership are: Earl Warren, Shelly Balzac, Robert Horowitz, Don Lee, Jim Port, Seymour Rimland, Ben Susman, Bill Vogel, Phil Bardack, Sherwood Kingsley, Robert Selvin and Randy Sharon.

Distinguished Members are club members who have been members of our club for at least 20 years and have held a position on the board of directors, club officers, or trustee of the foundation. The new Distinguished Members are: Alan Dunn and Will Ebersman.

Honorary Members are non club members who have by virtue of their actions gave significant support to our club or the sport fishing industry. The club Honorary Members are: Don Ashley, Larry Brown, Bob Fletcher, and Mike Reinsch. Congratulations to everyone!

Lou Berke Trout Derby for Special Needs Children

The date is APRIL 8, 2016

HANSEN DAM

LAKEVIEW TERRACE

7:30am - 2:00pm.

Family and friends are more than welcome to join us.

You can sign up by emailing

Steve Simon at

simonmurphy08@sbcglobal.net

Thank you to all club members for their expressions of sympathy and tributes in Joan's name, not only from me, but from everybody in my family.

David Levinson

3 Generations Enjoy the Club Picnic at Lake Sherwood

By Michael Dickter

My son David, along with my two grandson's Drew, age 10, and Hayden, age 7, and myself had an action filled day at Lake Sherwood. We picked the last pier, next to the boat ramp to fish.

I bought Drew and Hayden 5 foot, lightweight spinning rods at Bob Sands. With a #2 hook, and frisky night crawlers, the action started. At the end of the pier, there was a good size opening between two boats, for Hayden to land a quality Large Mouth Bass. At the same time, Drew was on a giant sized Bluegill. We had to tighten the drag to get his Bluegill out of the lake.

That flurry of action was followed by 3 more bent rods, with quality landings. David and I photo'd, weighed and released all the fish.

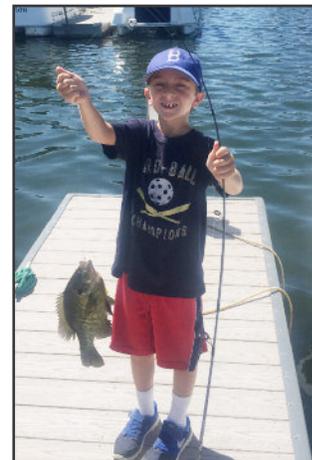
After a break for A Paul Varenchik BBQ lunch, with Steve



Drew's largest bass of the day!

Simon serving, we adjusted the gear and headed back to the lake. Tammy Steinman and her grandson Kevin, age 7, joined us for an afternoon of fishing. Kevin Steinman and Hayden Dickter were on the same Encino Little League team.

Drew finished with the largest Bass catch of the day. His Bass was so big it broke the 6 lb. line, as the fish flopped to the deck! Hayden finished up with another large Bluegill.



Hayden's big bluegill!

Drew and Hayden had their personal best day of fishing, with 5 Bass and 2 Bluegills between them. A special thanks to Rob Baldwin and his helpers, for putting on the Lake Sherwood event.



Michael with Hayden's bass!

Dedicated to Fishing, Fun, Relaxation, and Companionship!



COASTAL CONSERVATION ASSOCIATION OF CALIFORNIA

WHAT: CCA-CAL LA CHAPTER MEETING

**WHERE: LONG BEACH ROD AND GUN CLUB
3333 PACIFIC AVE, LONG BEACH, CA 90807**

**WHEN: WEDNESDAY, NOV 11TH DOORS OPEN 5PM
MEETING 6:30pm – 8pm**

Please RSVP: CCACALLA@yahoo.com

EVERYONE WELCOME!

Bring a Friend !!!

FOOD AND DRINKS AVAILABLE

GREAT RAFFLE PRIZES



SPECIAL GUEST SPEAKER: PAT MURRAY – PRESIDENT CCA

CONSERVING THE RESOURCE AND ANGLER'S ACCESS TO IT

Volunteers Needed for POLAHS Event

Volunteers needed!!

**When: Saturday, November 14, 2015
from 7am until noon**

Where: Cabrillo Beach Fishing Pier, San Pedro

**What: Port of Los Angeles High School
Fishing Club pier fishing event**

Please come and help these students learn the basics of pier fishing. This is the third year that our club and foundation has supported the POLAHS fishing club and each year attendance has grown. We have 20 students signed up for the event. Come on out and have some fun with your fellow club members and a great bunch of kids.

*Thanks,
John Ballotti*

CALENDAR

**Board Meeting
NOVEMBER 23, 2015**

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



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NOVEMBER 30, 2015**

Dinner: 6:00pm Meeting: 7:00pm
AT CORKY'S RESTAURANT
5043 Van Nuys Blvd., Sherman Oaks



**SAVE THE DATES
FOR 2016**

APRIL 8TH

Lou Berke Trout Derby at Hansen Dam
Lakeview Terrace
7:30 am - 2:00 pm

Sign up by emailing Steve Simon at
simonmurphy08@sbcglobal.net

AUGUST 1ST & 15TH

Marine Mentors Trips

AUGUST 6, 7, 8TH

Pac Dawn 2 Day

AUGUST 8, 9, 10TH

King of the Club

Chum Line Advertising

Do you have a business that fellow members would be interested in? If so, place an ad in the monthly Chum Line!!

Advertising Pricing

1/8 page: \$20 per month or \$240/year

1/4 page: \$40 per month or \$480/year

1/2 page: \$80 per month or \$960/year

Full page: \$160 per month or \$1920/year

Buy 12 months and get one month free!

Checks should be made payable to LARRC. The ad will be published once payment and graphics are received.

Contact Sophia (fishnsoph@gmail.com) or Donald (donald@dgoldsobel.com) for more information.

Thank you!!



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MEMBER

**NEW FOR
CLUB
MEMBERS**

COMING IN NOVEMBER

Show everyone, everywhere you drive, you are a member of the LOS ANGELES ROD AND REEL CLUB! Replace your car dealers' license plate frames with the beautiful, new LARRC frames. The board only approved a limited number!!! They will go fast!!

The SECOND new item...everyone who travels needs to have these... Three color, LARRC "logo" luggage tags. Replace your old tags with the new club logo tags.



Final pricing has not been set, but they will be affordable. Due to limited supply and pre-sale demand, the above items will be sold as a package to members.

Let me know if you want your name on the "first offer" list.
Michael Dickter, Project Manager, 818-986-3477.

LOS ANGELES ROD AND REEL CLUB

Los Angeles Rod & Reel Club Foundation

Tribute Opportunity

Tribute Cards are available when you want to send your thoughts or feelings for –

- Anniversary
- Appreciation
- Baby Announcement
- Bar/Bat Mitzvahs
- Best Wishes
- Congratulations
- Graduation
- Illness
- In Memorandum
- New Home

Your LARRC Foundation is a charitable organization. Donations may be deducted.

Tributes will be posted in the Chum Line. Tribute cards will be sent to recipient.

Information Request and Donations may be addressed to:

Mrs. Tammy Steinman
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Encino, CA 91316
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Health and Happiness

Linda Simon is our contact for "Health and Happiness" - please contact Linda either by phone (818-980-7470) or email (simonmurphy08@sbcglobal.net)

for any information about our club members/ family - i.e., happy or sad news; health issues; graduation or congratulations, etc.

5 Huge Black Sea Bass Caught and Released on 2nd LARRC Veteran s Fishing Trip

By Phil Bell

The 2nd LARRC Vets Fishing Trip was very unusual and exciting. 6 Vets and 4 LARRC volunteers had a great time, especially when the Black Sea Bass started biting. 5 big BSBs were caught and carefully released by the crew. Several large calico, sand bass, sheepshead and bat ray were also caught. The Vets each brought home a nice bag of filleted fish. Kudos to the LARRC volunteers: John Ballotti, Donald Goldsobel, Steve Simon, and Phil Bell for mentoring the Vets. Also Captain Mike, his wife/chef Patty, and the crew Bradley, Mikey, and Chris did an admirable job.

The Veterans were very appreciative and

thanked the LARRC volunteers for a great day of fishing. It was an honor for LARRC volunteers to fish with the Vets and show them appreciation for protecting our country. This is one of the outstanding programs LARRC sponsors.

Meeting up with a school of Black Sea Bass seems to point to a comeback for the species. We hooked up with as many as we caught and released. They immediately dove into the rocks and the 30-pound test was no match for the big bass and the structure. We also caught an under size White Sea Bass which was released. There is a perfect example of a comeback for an endangered species.



MEMBERS CALL TO ACTION

Report by Eric Rogger - Comments Are Welcome!

Members of LARRC were recently informed of a crucial meeting by the PFMC (Pacific Fisheries Management Council) scheduled for Nov. 14-19, in Garden Grove. While the club has supported efforts to have "Advisory Members" seated during the discussions centering on gillnet and forage fish issues the response from club members has been less than sterling. The advisory members are from organizations that have "clout" and can certainly affect decisions made on behalf of the recreational fishing community. (IGFA, Wild Oceans, CCA)

We are attempting to get a group of supportive members to come to a PFMC meeting scheduled for Sunday Nov. 15th. If you can make this Sunday morning meet please let us hear from you. Contact: Eric Rogger wstridge@aol.com (310) 476-5936. Last call!

IN OTHER ENVIRONMENTAL NEWS:

Fishing for salmon in Alaska's Chukchi and Beaufort seas banned. (for now) Scheduled auctions for drilling rights have been cancelled for the next two years. The areas involved already have a number of leases. No doubt the current drop in oil prices plus the risk of spills were factors in the administration's decision. It is also true that Alaskan revenues will be affected.

AMERICAN CATCH FACTS:

A third of US Seafood is exported while we import more than 90% of the seafood we eat. Shrimp is the best selling seafood in the U.S. 90% of which is imported and farm raised. 79% of Alaska salmon is exported, while two-thirds of the salmon consumed is imported and farm raised.

(Source: Paul Greenberg – North Pacific Focus)

RE: SB 345 FISHING LICENSES

There has been a precipitous decline in the sale of recreational fishing licenses. Probably because licenses are not good for a whole year from the time they are bought. A study by the California Sportfishing League found that since 1980 recreational license sales have dropped by 55%. This in a state that has seen a 60% increase in population.. Why not email the Department of Fish and Wildlife Director: Chuck Bonham@Director@Wildlife.Ca.Gov. and urge him to support this legislation.? The bill was passed by the State Senate but without the key provision to make licenses valid for a year from date of purchase.

RUSSIAN FOOD ON OUR TABLES

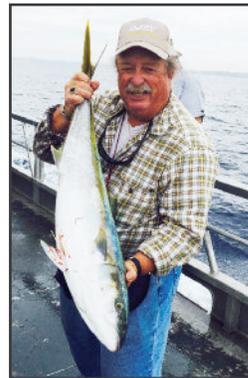
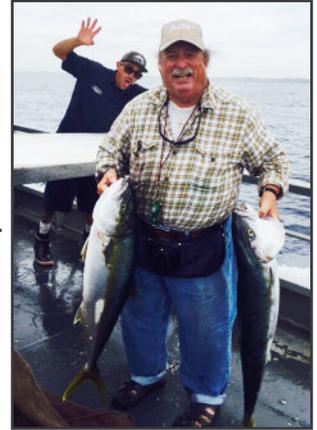
In 2014 Alaska's contribution of frozen king crab was 21.1% of domestic consumption. Russia's Imports accounted for 72.3%.

(Source: Nat'l Fisherman)

C'mon LARRC Anglers Get Out and Fish Out of Marina Del Rey

By Phil Bell

I do not ever remember an October of sportfishing in Santa Monica Bay like this year. Every time I go out on a 1/2 day or 3/4 day boat there are yellowtail. Oct. 28th I went on the New Del Mar 1/2 day out of Marina Del Rey. We took a long boat ride to Rocky Point and joined the Redondo Boats who were already on the fish. I caught my first yellow fly lining a sardine and my second yellow on the dropper loop with a mackerel These fish are not line shy.



I used 40# test on a Talica 12 reel and Phexnix 30 to 80 lb 7 ft. rod. We had good size sardines, mackerel and nice anchovies. Some anglers caught their fish fly lining anchovies. El Niño is in full force right NOW. MDR reservations at 310 822-3625.

FROM THE DESK OF LARRC MEMBER, MICHAEL DICKTER, RHU

By the way.

Would you like to own a special "bucket" of money that will give you a tax free income for life?

- > Imagine, tax free money to do anything you want, including fishing trips for life!
- > Today, most of the money you get has to be shared with your co-partners. . . the IRS, and the state!
- > Good news! Under current tax laws, you can set up your own non-qualified, insured, supplemental private pension plan.
- > There is no substitute for tax free money!
- > This plan works best if you start before age 55, and are in good health.
- > Your income can start any time after one year. The longer you wait, the higher the payment.

If you would like to discover how this plan could work for you, give me a call or email me.

(818) 986-3477, or (800) 444-7404

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Thank you,
Michael
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What A Year!

By Randy Sharon

Several years ago, we changed the format of the "King of the Calicos" Tournament to the "King of the Club" Tournament. The reason for the change was to allow for the possibility that the calico bass fishing may be slow and the fishing for other game fish may be very good. So, we included yellowtail, white seabass and halibut (in addition to calico bass) to the fish that count towards the tournament.

About a week before this year's tournament, Steve Simon came to me and said "have you considered the possibility that we might catch yellowfin tuna in the tournament? and shouldn't that count in the tournament?" I smiled and thought to myself that there is no possibility that we will catch yellowfin tuna on a 3/4 day trip out of Oxnard - so I did not change the rules. Well, I was wrong - and I am now considering a rule change for next year's tournament.

Earlier this month, club members, Michael Godfrey, Chas Shoemaker and Joel Steinman and I were aboard the Island Tak for a "not so typical" 3/4 day of fishing. Unfortunately, several other people were not able to join us on the trip. When I got on the boat the night before, Joel told me that he spoke with the skipper, Steve Kelley, and he said that we may be fishing for tuna. That day, the Aloha Spirit on its way back to the dock saw big schools of yellowfin tuna, but unfortunately did not have any bait and did not get any bites.

We left the dock at about 4:30 a.m. The skipper put out trolling lines - one for marlin - and the other for tuna. We got to the area (between Anacapa and Santa Cruz) and found the porpoise schools but no tuna. We looked around for about an hour - no bites. So, we decided to fish Santa Cruz for calico bass and try the tuna later in the day. We had excellent calico bass fishing with fish up to 5 lbs.

We heard that the other boats were catching tuna and headed towards that area. We found the porpoise schools and the yellowfin were swimming with them. Joel got the first tuna. The skipper said that this was the first yellowfin tuna that he had caught on the boat in 30 years. We ended the day with 14 yellowfin tuna for the four of us with fish up to about 35 lbs. Michael got the big fish of the day after a long battle.

Look for changes in the rules for next year's tournament to include tuna and wahoo (yes, one or more of the other boats caught a wahoo out of Oxnard earlier this year).

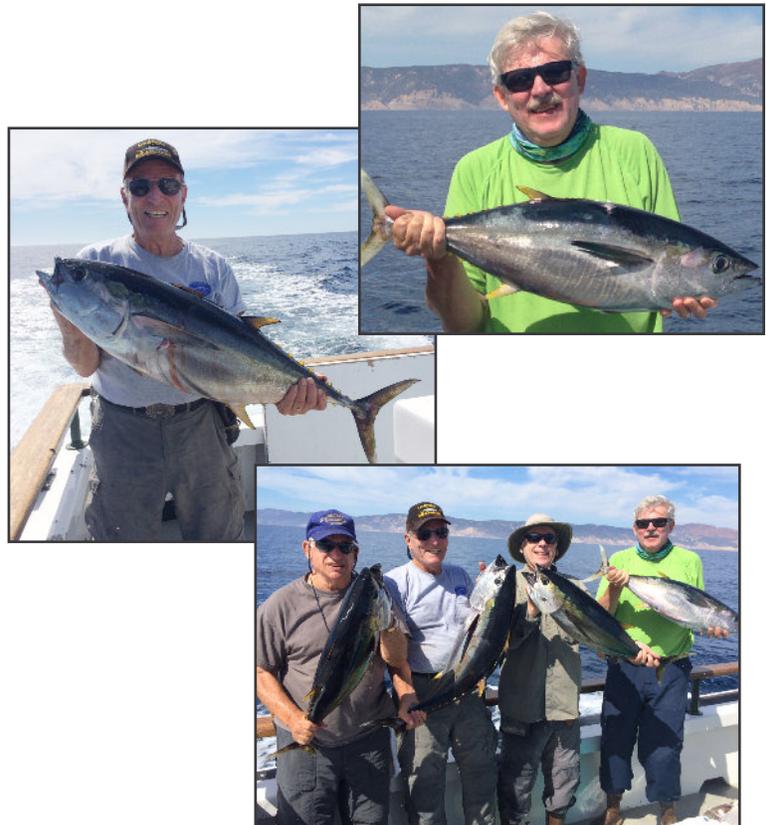
She told me to whisper something sexy in her ear.

I said **Let's Go FISHING!**



Island Tak Tuna

On October 8, 2015, four lucky LARRC members boated the first tuna on the Island Tak in 30 years. Joel Steinman, Michael Godfrey, Randy Sharon, and Chas Schoemaker are the lucky anglers. They fished sardines at Santa Cruz Island and ended the day with 14 tuna plus limits of calico bass, released. What a great day!!





Ultra Yellowtail - Mike Godfrey with a beautiful yellowtail.
Can you spot the difference in the two pictures?

Welcome New Member

Mark Peranich, Northridge, CA

The Foundation
Acknowledges this
Tribute Received to Honor

*Margie and Tom Spiers
in Memory of Albert John Susanka*

Linda and Steve Simon

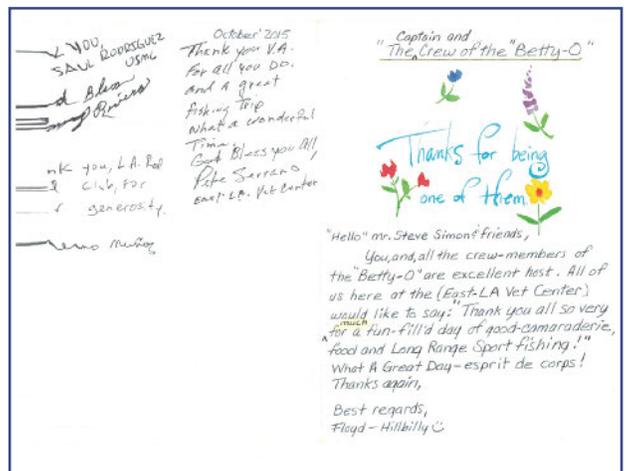
*Dave Levinson
in Memory of Joan Levinson*

Jeanne and Eric Rogger,
Nickie and Michael Godfrey,
Charles Schoemaker,
Cathy and Steve Needleman,
Roberta and John Rhind,
Helayne and Randy Sharon,
Ted Feit, M.D.
and LARRC Board of Directors

30 Yellowtail on the New Del Mar 1/2 Day

By Fisherman Phil Bell

Friday, October 23rd was one great day on the New Del Mar 1/2-day boat out of MDR. Captain Danny put us on fish right away. The Skipjack tuna were wide-open fly lining an anchovy. 30 Yellows were caught on the dropper loop set up with sardines. The Yellows were nice size between 15 and 30 lbs. I caught 2 nice Yellows and 1 skippy. Absolutely amazing what we are catching on the 1/2 day and 3/4 day boats. El Niño rules. You can make reservations at (310) 822 3625 for the New Del Mar 1/2 day or the Spitfire and Betty-O which are 3/4 day boats.



THE TRIP THAT NEVER ENDED

Contributed by Reza, the Charter Master, Malekzaedeh

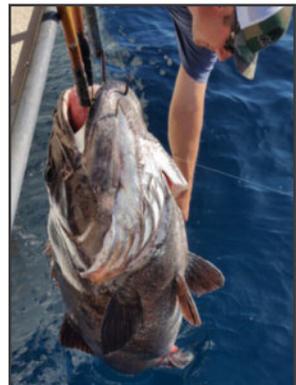
Our club 2 day trip aboard the Pacific Dawn in late October was a memorable trip with great friends full of never ending fishing and catching. The 2 day trip departed out of Ventura landing headed toward Cortez Bank for the first day and then onto San Nicolas Island for the second day before coming home. The boat left the landing at 8pm. The trip down was very calm and smooth. We arrived at our destination early in the morning. Our bait was mostly anchovies and limited sardines and as such we fished #2-4 sized hooks.

The first day of fishing, I have to say, did not disappoint any of us. The tuna bite was excellent almost nonstop whether we were drifting or trolling. In fact each time we trolled there was a hook up, both days. The quality and diversity of the game fish the first day was equally good. In fact we caught more tuna than most recent long range trips. When we were not fishing, the galley did not disappoint with the quality of food. By mid-day



we had made the trip up to Tanner Ridge and fished there as well and again the fishing did not disappoint. Along the way we stopped regularly as we caught yellow fin and did not stop for other game fish. At the end of the first day the total count for yellow fin tuna alone was 100 for 14 anglers. Not to mention the plethora of skip jack that was kept for the lobster fishermen back at the landing.

I have read about surfing and spoken to die hard surfers about Cortez Bank, but seeing it up close was amazing. Watching the surf above a seamount in the distance, I realized what would drive someone to come out here just to surf.



The second day of fishing at San Nicolas was supposed to be shallow water rockfish. We made a few initial drifts, catching rock fish and, huge white fish, however soon the charter master caught a nice size yellowtail on the iron and soon the whole boat switched to irons

and back to game fish. The second day was a clinic on fishing yellowtail on the iron. This trip had no end in sight...rockfish, I don't think so-maybe for the December trip, but not



this trip. San Nicolas was beautiful, especially for fishing. One of the highlights was the catching and release of a big, beautiful, black sea bass-what a gorgeous fish seen up close. Even on the troll we caught yellowtail. At the end of the day all of us were tired, sore and very happy with our success...little did we know just how much we caught. After lunch and a couple of Advil...the crew began the arduous task of fish cleaning.



The total fish count for our two day adventure for 14 anglers: 11 White fish, 100 yellow tail, 101 yellow fin, 45 rock fish, 8 sheephead, 1 ling cod....numerous skip jack and bonito released. 1 black sea bass released.

Well, the time came for people to pay the fish cleaning bill and I heard a lot of grumbling that my fishing trip ended up being too expensive. I pleaded with them that they just caught too many fish. Back on the dock our numbers were called and called and called. Smiles turned to exasperation as there was no room for ice as the ice chests were filled with fish. Needless to say this was a trip that was filled with memories and sore backs and made fishermen and friends receiving fish quite happy. The only complaint...if there was one...next time bring a bigger ice chest.





Donald Goldsobel

Great Poke Recipe

Dave Levinson shares this great poke recipe that will amaze your friends and family. Give it a try and let Dave know what you think.

INGREDIENTS

2 lbs fresh ahi tuna
1 small round onion, julienne cut (Maui Onions preferred)
3 green onions, diced
1/2 teaspoon freshly grated fresh ginger
3 finely diced garlic cloves
1/2 cup soy sauce
1 teaspoon sesame oil
1/2 teaspoon crushed red pepper flakes
1 teaspoon Chinese chili sauce (Rooster Brand)
1 teaspoon Hawaiian sea salt or 1 teaspoon kosher salt

DIRECTIONS

Cut Ahi into at least 1/2" cubes - set aside & refrigerate.

Combine all other ingredients in a large glass bowl & refrigerate for at least 30 minutes.

When ready to serve toss ahi and other ingredients together.

Serve on chilled platter with chopsticks .

SHEEPSHEAD CAN BE THE HERO OF YOUR DINNER!!

Many anglers throw back sheepshead believing that it cannot be cooked the way other Rockfish are cooked. But, wait. The Italians catch sheepshead in the arms of the Mediterranean Sea and treat it like veal. They cook it picata, Milanese...almost any-way you would cook veal in a sauté.

There is a special way to treat the sheepshead to be able to get special results. It tends to be tough or chewy if not treated to a good spanking with a kitchen mallet, just the way one would pound out chicken breasts or veal cutlets. Not too thin as they will not hold together, nor too long as they are difficult to flip with out breaking. Put the fillet between two sheets of plastic wrap or in a plastic market bag and gently pound with a kitchen mallet, rolling pin or wine bottle.

I season them with salt and pepper, then dredge them in a combo of wheat and rice flour. I pan fry them in a medium hot pan that has some olive oil and butter. Do not let the butter brown. It is ready when is foams white. After each batch, I wipe out the pan so there are no crumbs to burn in the next batch.

To make a sauce, mix some butter, olive oil, dry white wine and lemon juice in the pan and add capers, maybe a little parsley or your favorite olive. Buon appetito! A pinot grigio would go well with this.



MORE
CALLING ALL COOKS
Donald Goldsobel

AHI POTSTICKERS

AN AWSOME IDEA!!

I had so much tuna in the freezer and had just returned from a Pac Dawn charter with more fresh Yellowfin Tuna... and guests for dinner the next night. I decided to sear some ahi and make a potsticker appetizer, but stuffed with fresh ahi. I had internet help with ideas. Here is the final. This recipe makes about 20 or so potstickers. They are simple to make. I freeze them on a cookie tray and when they are solid, put them in a plastic container. They are cooked frozen...no need to thaw. They will keep in the freezer for months if they are in a tightly sealed container.

INGREDIENTS:

For the filling:

¾ pound of ahi cut into ¼ inch or smaller dice.
3 TBS Mirin, Japanese rice wine for cooking
2 TBS light soy sauce
1 inch piece of fresh ginger, grated
3-4 cloves of garlic, grated
Bunch of scallions chopped fine. The bunch should be small. Use the white and green parts
2 TBS cornstarch to bind it

1 package of square or round Won Ton skins. Make squares into rounds by cutting off the corners of the whole package at one time.

½ cup of water or vegetable consommé

For the Sauce

¼ cup light soy
3 TBS Mirin
1 TBS grated ginger (optional)
1 tsp Siracha or your favorite hot sauce (optional)
A little bit of sesame oil to taste. Start with 3-4 drops

DIRECTIONS:

Mix all the ingredients for the filling in a bowl. Place one wrapper on a flat surface and spoon some filling in the center. The amount should not be so much that you cannot close the wrapper.

If the skins are round, wet the edge of half of the circle. If square, wet two adjoining edges. For the round ones just fold in half. For the square ones, fold point to point to achieve a triangle. When you join the wet to dry edges, remove any trapped air. I wet and join the tips of the triangle. Repeat the process till you run out of filling. Lay them out on a non-stick cookie sheet and freeze. When solid, remove to an air-tight container.

To cook them: Use a large skillet with a tight fitting lid. I used stainless with a see through lid. Lightly oil the surface, turn on the heat to high and fill with one layer...do not over crowd the pan. When the bottoms are well browned, add a half cup of water or vegetable consommé. Cover tightly and when the liquid is absorbed, remove from pan and do the next batch.

For the sauce, simply mix the ingredients and serve at room temperature.



CHARTERS 2015

| DATE | DESTINATION | AVAILABILITY | CONTACT |
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| Dec 4-5 | Pacific Dawn Overnight Details: Depart 8pm Dec 4th/Return 8pm Dec 5th Ventura Sportfishing Landing Target species: Rock fish, white fish, sheephead, halibut, bass, white sea bass, yellow tail *Gratuities included. Not included in fare: Jackpot, parking, fish cleaning, drinks and snacks. | 7 SPOTS (Limited Load - 17 Max) Cost: \$278.00* | Reza Malekzadeh drpdmalek@yahoo.com 562-824-7727 |

CHARTERS 2016

| DATE | DESTINATION | AVAILABILITY | CONTACT |
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| Feb 12-28 | Red Rooster III: 16/13 days fly back option Larry Brown and LARRC Shared Charter Details: Cow tuna and wahoo. Izorline will co-charter and have staff on board for added fun and SWAG! Target species: Offshore/Freelance * Not included in fare: Gratuities, jackpot, parking, fish cleaning, drinks and snacks. | OPEN Cost: \$4,955.00* | Red Rooster III www.redrooster3.com 619-224-3857 |
| Jun 11-18 | Royal Star 7 Day Larry Brown and LARRC Shared Charter Best Deal of the Year | OPEN Cost: \$2,025.00* | Royal Star www.royalstarsportfishing.com 619-224-4764 Tracy |
| Aug 6-8 | Pacific Dawn 2 Day Tuna Trip Details: Depart 8pm Aug 8/Return 6pm Aug 10 More Details to Follow Cost: TBA (Gratuities & Snacks included. NOT included in fare: jackpot, parking, fish cleaning & drinks) | | Mark Manculich mmanculich@socal.rr.com 818-613-6575 |
| Aug 23-28 | Red Rooster Five Day! Shared Charter Larry Brown and LARRC Shared Charter Perfect dates, boat, and crew targeting Bluefin, Yellowfin, Yellowtail and Dorado | 10 SPOTS Cost: \$1,995.00* | Red Rooster III www.redrooster3.com 619-224-3857 Christina |

NOTE:

LARRC members signing up for club charters are obligated to pay full fare in the event they cannot make the trip. The club will attempt to fill your space and you may try to do the same in a timely manner. There may be surcharges this year based on fuel price increases. Bunks are assigned by the charter master in order received. So book early! If you have any special needs please make the charter master aware of them at the time of booking.

Contact Mike Hartt or Ted Feit
LARRC Club Charters in **BLUE**
Shared Charters in **GREEN**

TROPHY CONTENDERS 2015

| SPECIES | LINE TEST | ANGLER | LBS. | OZ. | SPECIES | LINE TEST | ANGLER | LBS. | OZ. |
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| MEN'S OCEAN WATER | | | | | WOMEN'S OCEAN WATER | | | | |
| Albacore | 25 | Earl Warren | 24 | 9 | Steelhead | 12 | Cathy Needleman | 11 | 0* |
| Albacore | 30 | Earl Warren | 25 | 7 | Rainbow Runner | 30 | Pamela Warren | 10 | 0* |
| Albacore | 60 | Earl Warren | 26 | 7 | Snapper, Mullet | 25 | Pamela Warren | 25 | 0* |
| Amberjack | 25 | Mark Manculich | 26 | 8 | Snapper, Mutton | 15 | Pamela Warren | 8 | 0* |
| Bass, Calico | 15 | Nick Ekdahl | 5 | 9 | Trevally | 12 | Cathy Needleman | 15 | 0* |
| Bass, Calico | 15 | Chas Schoemaker | 5 | 0 | Trevally, Golden | 12 | Cathy Needleman | 5 | 0* |
| Bass, Calico | 20 | Chas Schoemaker | 6 | 0 | Tuna, Blackfin | 20 | Pamela Warren | 21 | 0* |
| Bass, Calico | 50 | Joel Steinman | 5 | 8 | Tuna, Bluefin | 50 | Sophia Huynh | 148 | 6* |
| Bass, Calico | 65 | Mike Godfrey | 6 | 3 | Tuna, Bluefin | 50 | Wendy Tochiara | 69 | 3 |
| Makeral, Kind | 6 | Earl Warren | 7 | 6* | White Sea Bass | 30 | Cathy Needleman | 41 | 0 |
| Salmon, King | 25 | Jim Carlisle | 45 | 0* | White Sea Bass | 50 | Cathy Needleman | 46 | 0* |
| Sargo | 12 | Kristofer Ekdahl | 2 | 9* | White Sea Bass | 60 | Cathy Needleman | 68 | 0* |
| Sheephead | 6 | Joel Steinman | 8 | 9* | Yellowtail | 60 | Cathy Needleman | 40 | 0* |
| Snapper, Mullet | 25 | Earl Warren | 21 | 8* | WOMEN'S FLY ROD | | | | |
| Trigger Fish | 15 | Kristofer Ekdahl | 2 | 9* | Bonefish | 12 | Cathy Needleman | 9 | 0* |
| Trigger Fish | 20 | Nick Ekdahl | 5 | 10* | Humop Humo | 12 | Cathy Needleman | 10 | 0* |
| Tuna, Bluefin | 40 | Barry Cohn | 41 | 8 | Trevally | 12 | Cathy Needleman | 15 | 0* |
| Tuna, Yellowfin | 6 | Wayne Caywood | 18 | 0* | Trevally, Golden | 12 | Cathy Needleman | 5 | 0* |
| Tuna, Yellowfin | 8 | Wayne Caywood | 21 | 0 | WOMEN'S FRESH WATER | | | | |
| Tuna, Yellowfin | 10 | Wayne Caywood | 17 | 8 | Bass, Peacock | 4 | Robin Hunter | Released | |
| Tuna, Yellowfin | 40 | Earl Warren | 34 | 6 | Catfish, Channel | 4 | Robin Hunter | Released | |
| White Sea Bass | 15 | John Ballotti | 19 | 3 | Steelhead | 10 | Cathy Needleman | 10 | 0 |
| White Sea Bass | 30 | Barry Cohn | 37 | 0 | Steelhead | 12 | Cathy Needleman | 11 | 0 |
| White Sea Bass | 60 | Jim Carlisle | 64 | 0* | WOMEN'S RELEASED | | | | |
| Yellowtail | 8 | Wayne Caywood | 22 | 0* | Salifish, Atlantic | 20 | Pamela Warren | 2 Released | |
| Yellowtail | 20 | Kristofer Ekdahl | 38 | 0 | Sailfish, Pacific | 30 | Pamela Warren | 5 Released | |
| Yellowtail | 30 | Nick Ekdahl | 36 | 0* | Tuna, Atlantic Bluefin | 180 | Sophia Huynh | 570 Taped | |
| Yellowtail | 30 | Carl Ekdahl | 55 | 0 | JUNIOR MEMBERS | | | | |
| MEN'S FLY ROD | | | | | Amberjack | 25 | Montana Manculich | 38 | 0* |
| MEN'S FRESH WATER | | | | | Bass, Johnny | 40 | Jesse Nangle | 4 | 2* |
| Bass, Lg Mouth | 3 | Wayne Caywood | 6 | 8* | Bass, Lg Mouth | 6 | Drew Dickter | 4 | 4 |
| Bass, Lg Mouth | 6 | Tom Speirs | 7 | 8* | Bass, Lg Mouth | 6 | Hayden Dickter | 2 | 3* |
| Bluegill | 4 | Joel Steinman | Released | | Bluegill | 6 | Hayden Dickter | 1 | 8* |
| Carp, Common | 2 | Steve Simon | 5 | 15* | Sheephead | 20 | Jesse Nangle | 8 | 8* |
| Crapple, White | 4 | Paul Varenchik | 2 | 0* | Catfish, Channel | 4 | Avery Carlson | 14 | 0* |
| Trout, Brown | 4 | Mark Manculich | 2 | 6 | Rockfish, Starry | 20 | Jesse Nangle | 3 | 6* |
| MEN'S RELEASED | | | | | Whitefish | 40 | Jesse Nangle | 7 | 2 |
| Halibut | 80 | Phillip Bell | Released | | Yellowtail | 20 | Jesse Nangle | 9 | 12 |
| Lingcod | 60 | Donald Goldsobel | Released | | FIRST GAME FISH OF THE YEAR | | | | |
| Sailfish, Atlantic | 30 | Earl Warren | 2 Released | | Yellowtail | 20 | Jesse Nangle | 9 | 12 |
| Sailfish, Pacific | 30 | Earl Warren | 5 Released | | 21-Mar-15 | | | | |
| Tuna, Yellowtail | 135 | Barry Cohn | 288 | Taped | FIRST ALBACORE OF THE YEAR | | | | |
| Tuna, Atlantic Bluefin | 180 | Kevin Boyle | 850 | Taped | Albacore | 25 | Earl Warren | 24 | 9 |
| WOMEN'S OCEAN WATER | | | | | 18-Aug-15 | | | | |
| Barracuda, Great | 20 | Pamela Warren | 26 | 0* | | | | | |
| Bonefish | 12 | Cathy Needleman | 9 | 0* | | | | | |
| Humop Humo | 12 | Cathy Needleman | 10 | 0* | | | | | |
| Jack Cravelle | 25 | Pamela Warren | 25 | 0* | | | | | |
| Mackeral, King | 6 | Pamela Warren | 7 | 8* | | | | | |
| Mackeral, King | 20 | Pamela Warren | 25 | 0* | | | | | |
| Steelhead | 10 | Cathy Needleman | 10 | 0 | | | | | |



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