

# Chum Line

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Club Member Rose Burns submits IGFA application for this great yellowtail catch.

Rose notes that she was fishing on the *Shogun* during a five-day trip which culminated in her 33.9-lb. yellowtail taken at Guadalupe Island, August 8th. She declared that although she normally fishes heavier gear, this fish was taken on her new Seeker 970 rod with lightweight roller guides. Another passenger had an IGFA record book and suggested that Ms. Burns might indeed have a potential new ladies IGFA contender in the 10 kilogram class.

## Accurate Reel Owners to Be Guest Speakers on October 27

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## President's Message

Summer is over and we're looking at fall fishing. The tuna are still biting and we can look back on one of the most productive seasons in decades. LARRC members should turn their attention to our annual election process. Ballots for next year's directors will soon be in the mail. This club functions because of volunteer directors. If you have not served in some capacity please give me a call. This should be a moral obligation for all club members. You might even find a great deal of satisfaction in contributing to the direction of this group.

A well-qualified guy in the leadership department, Brad Stich, will serve as president for the coming year. Let's hear from you. A volunteer organization can only function with interested participants.

I have made many new friends and hope to continue being involved for many more years.

—Thanks, Paul ■

## Attention All Members of LARRC...

The following members have been selected by the nomination/election committee to run for the board of directors for the year 2004: Stan Snyder, John Balloti, Bob Selvin, Royal MacNair and Tom Polliard.

The By-Laws of the club state that this list shall be made known to all Club members at least 15 days prior to the mailing of the ballots. Any active member in good standing who wishes to be added to the ballot, needs to make a written request by October 25. Send your request to: Norman Weinstock, Election Chairman, 4216 Nogales Dr., Tarzana, CA 91356. ■

# Wide Open Blue on the Red Roo!

By Richard Lapidus

**A**rníe Cohen's annual 3-day excursion on the *Red Rooster III* turned into an epic adventure

this year for the lucky eleven LARRC members and sixteen others who had signed on to this trip.

It actually didn't start out so hot. During the afternoon seminar conducted by **Captain Andy Cates** and shortly after we baited up and left the harbor, we were informed that the conditions lately were not all that promising. All the boats were doing more scratching than catching and the trip immediately preceding ours had been somewhat disappointing. The one good thing was that the weather had improved.

We started trolling on Wednesday, Sept. 10th by putting out the trolling lines just before the sun went down. Almost immediately my brother **Michael** and my son **Jamie**, the latter being on his first ever tuna trip, got hooked-up with nice yellowfin tuna. Ironically, these were the only yellowfin caught.

In addition to the Lapidus crew, the club members were **Arnie Cohen, Mike Godfrey, Brett Goldberg, Mark Lemp** (who flew in from St. Louis with his twin brother) **Tom Polliard, Phil Press, Sam Rubinfeld, Ger Steinberg and Brad Stich.**

Day two started out slowly with lots of trolling and not much stopping. But in the late afternoon, Captain Cates cut the engine and announced that we were sliding into a sizeable school and to get

ready. Within minutes it was bluefin city.; Everyone was hooked up at the same time; there were massive tangles; people were yelling "color", (some were yelling other things too!); deckhands were everywhere;

the bait tank waiting for a jig stop.

Friday started pretty good, as we were parked over fish, and they bit right into the grey. Then there was hardly any action until the late afternoon when all hell broke loose again. At one point Captain Andy yelled out, "If you're not having fun now, you better find a new hobby, cause it doesn't get any better than this."

Some members' comments: "First time I ever caught two skipjack on the same hook." "The hook went through the gills of the first fish and was then attacked by another."—*Sam "Skip" Rubinfeld.*

"For the second year we've had a terrific trip. Credit to the professional approach of the skipper and crew."—*Mike Godfrey.*

"Outstanding ratio of fish landed to hook-ups."—*Tom Polliard.*

"Muscles in my arms are twitching; my back is broken. My legs are weak. Man, did I have a good time!"—*Mike Lapidus.*

"A state-of-the art trip."—*Arnie Cohen.*

It would be difficult to duplicate the excellently prepared food and friendly service.

The final tally: 409 bluefin tuna, 88 albacore, 2 yellowfin tuna. What a great trip. "Azul." ■



"Los Tres Azules", Mike Lapidus, Mike Godfrey and Arnie Cohen.

and fish were coming over the rails. I learned a new word that day, "azul," as some of the deckhands call the cherished bluefin tuna.

This bite lasted into the dark, although I must say that several folks stopped fishing when they had enough fish. Even so, by 8:00pm the tally was 2 yellowfin tuna, 30 albacore and 90 "azul". It was interesting for me to watch my son during this chaos. First he burned his thumb by holding it down on the reel when his first bluefin was screaming out. Then he got hit in the head with a rod butt. He complained a few times, but always with a smile. At the beginning of the trip I helped him tie hooks and cast out. By the second day he was doing everything himself, including standing by

# Meet Your Vice President, Brad Stich

Anyone who has ever fished with LARRC member **Brad Stich**, knows that he loves to fish. In fact, you probably get tired of hearing him say it. In confidence the 39-year-old tells me, "It's not only the act of fishing that I love, but it's everything about the sport."

From the preparation of the gear, to the journey to the fishing grounds, to the landing of the fish, to the cleaning and maintenance of his tackle, this man is hooked.

Stich, who was born and raised in Southern California, started fishing local freshwater lakes and streams as a young boy. By 9, he had progressed to 1/2-day boats and a few overnight trips. However, it was during a summer vacation in Oklahoma when fishing took on a different meaning. He caught his first "decent size" large mouth bass. While a 3 3/4-lb bass is no trophy, for a young boy it was the catch of a lifetime. This was no bait or luck fish. It was a true talent fish, hooked on a top-water lure while out solo in a small aluminum rowboat. A rush of adrenaline overtook Stich and created a level of excitement that would eventually fuel a long-lived passion. As Stich says: "You either get it, or you don't."

In the last decade, Stich spent several years fishing the amateur freshwater bass circuit. However, his love for fishing started to feel more like work, so after three years of tournament fishing, he decided to focus on saltwater fishing. Stich states that he loves the variety of saltwater fish-not to mention that the fish are much larger.

Having fished Baja and Southern California for many years, Stich makes an



Brad Stich "fooling a calico."

effort to fish whenever he travels. His adventures stretch from Florida, Costa Rica, Jamaica and beyond. His many trips to Florida have included fishing the inshore fishery for snook and redfish, "digging" in the Gulf of Mexico for grouper, and landing his first Atlantic Sailfish off of Key West. He even made it to the inter-coastal waterways and Lake Okeechobee for largemouth bass fishing.

At home, Stich and his wife, **Jo**, have two young children, **Samuel** and **Sydney**, with whom he looks forward to spending many hours on the water. While not spending time with his family or fishing, he works in Camarillo, CA in the electronics manufacturing industry overseeing engineering and quality assurance functions.

Stich currently sits on the LARRC board of directors and serves as the club's vice president, where he plans to help automate some of the more tedious tasks, such as a membership database and publishing the club's yearbook. ■

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# Trophy Winners as of SEPTEMBER 24, 2003

SPECIES	LINE TEST	ANGLER	LB. OZ.	SPECIES	LINE TEST	ANGLER	LB. OZ.
<b>OCEAN WATERS</b>							
Albacore	16	Tom Carlisle	32 3 *	Blue Fish	20	Eli Livnat	5 2 *
Albacore	16	Tom Carlisle	29 0	Bonefish	8	Raymond Yu	Released
Albacore	20	Richard Lapidus	31 6	Bonefish	10	Raymond Yu	Released
Albacore	20	Julian Wolf	23 1	Bonefish	12	Don Lee	Released
Albacore	25	Joel Steinman	19 10 *	Bonita	20 Tippet	Eli Livnat	13 0 *
Albacore	25	Barry Cohn	38 5 *	Cobia	20	Eli Livnat	28 0 *
Albacore	30	Eric Rogger	26	Dorado	20 Tippet	Eli Livnat	15 0
Albacore	40	Al Scow	38 2 *	Grouper	20	Eli Livnat	4 6
Barracuda	20	Joel Steinman	9 0 *	Jack Cravelle	20 Tippet	Eli Livnat	7 0 *
Bass, Calico	4	Brad Stich	3 0 *	King Mackerel	20 Tippet	Eli Livnat	9 0 *
Bass, Calico	6	John Ballotti	2 8 *	Rainbow Runner	20 Tippet	Eli Livnat	4 0 *
Bass, Calico	6	Michael Grossman	4 2 *	Sailfish	20	Pam Warren	Released
Bass, Calico	8	Richard Lapidus	2 3	Sierra	20	Eli Livnat	5 4 *
Bass, Calico	8	Eric Rogger	6 0 *	Skipjack, Black	20 Tippet	Eli Livnat	6 0 *
Bass, Calico	16	Warren Hoberman	6 11	Snook	12 Tippet	Eli Livnat	9 15 *
Bass, Calico	16	Al Scow	7 2	Trevally, Blue	12	Don Lee	Released
Bass, Calico	20	John Ballotti	8 0	Triple Tail	20 Tippet	Eli Livnat	5 8 *
Bass, Calico	20	Bob Selvin	10 10 *	Trout, Brown	12 Tippet	Don Lee	6 8 *
Bass, Calico	25	Bob Selvin	8 4	Tuna, Blackfin	20 Tippet	Eli Livnat	25 0 *
Bass, Calico	25	Bob Selvin	9 2 *	Yellowtail	20 Tippet	Jim Carlisle	15 6 *
Bass, Sand	4	Royal MacNair	2 1 *	<b>FRESH WATER</b>			
Bass, Sand	16	John Ballotti	6 8 *	Bass, Peacock	20	Michael Grossman	17 0 *
Dorado	30	Earl Warren	26 4	Bass, Striped	2	Steve Greanias	6 8 *
Dorado	30	Earl Warren	35 6	Bass, Striped	4	Royal MacNair	8 0 *
Halibut, CA	20	Brad Stich	37 2 *	<b>MENS RELEASED</b>			
Halibut, CA	25	Tom Carlisle	26 0 *	Sailfish (8)	30	Earl Warren	
Pargo	40	Joel Steinman	16 0 *	Seabass, Black	20	Barry Cohn	
Pargo	50	Joel Steinman	17 0 *	Sturgeon	80	Al Scow	
Salmon, King	10	Eric Rogger	16 0 *	Sturgeon	100	Al Scow	
Salmon, King	10	Larry Dinovitz	26 8 *	Sturgeon	100	Tom Carlisle	
Salmon, King	20	Barry Cohn	26 0	<b>WOMEN'S</b>			
Salmon, King	25	Earl Warren	32 2	Albacore	25	Jan Howard	31 5 *
Salmon, King	25	Al Scow	30 6	Salmon, King	6	Connie Dinovitz	31 5 *
Salmon, Silver	20	Barry Cohn	11 0 *	Salmon, King	8	Connie Dinovitz	22 0 *
Salmon, Silver	20	Al Scow	13 0 *	Salmon, King	20	Pamela Warren	27 9
Tuna, Bigeye	80	Tom Carlisle	70 13 *	Salmon, King	25	Pamela Warren	29 9 *
Tuna, Bluefin	10	Eric Rogger	27 6 *	Salmon, Silver	6	Connie Dinovitz	9 0 *
Tuna, Bluefin	16	Jim Carlisle	35 0	Salmon, Silver	8	Connie Dinovitz	8 0 *
Tuna, Bluefin	20	Michael Lapidus	39 5 *	Tuna, Bluefin	25	Jan Howard	43 5 *
Tuna, Bluefin	25	Richard Lapidus	41 6 *	Tuna, Bluefin	60	Jan Howard	110 2 *
Tuna, Bluefin	25	Barry Cohn	36 0	Tuna, Yellowfin	100	Jan Howard	115 6
Tuna, Bluefin	30	Julian Wolf	36 9	Wahoo	40	Jan Howard	35 0 *
Tuna, Bluefin	60	Frank Polak	118 0	Yellowtail	25	Rose Burns	33 9 *
Tuna, Bluefin	80	Al Scow	148 1 *	<b>SARDINES</b>			
Tuna, Bluefin	80	Al Scow	148 2 *	Trout	4	Harrison Hunter	2 8
Tuna, Yellowfin	30	Barry Cohn	58 6	<b>* New Club Record</b>			
Tuna, Yellowfin	130	Dan Felger	171 3	<b>First Game Fish of the Year</b>			
Wahoo	50	Dan Felger	37 8	Jim Carlisle—White Seabass, 20 lb.—4-12-03			
White Sea Bass	20	Jim Carlisle	50 2	<b>First Albacore of the Year</b>			
Yellowtail	20	Michael Lapidus	26 14	Eric Rogger—2-13-03			
Yellowtail	25	Brad Stich	31 3 *				
Yellowtail	30	Don Lee	26 3				
Yellowtail	40	Paul Varenchik	44 6 *				
Yellowtail	50	Don Lee	27 14				
Yellowtail	60	Jonathan Varenchik	43 4 *				
<b>FLY ROD</b>							
Albacore	20 Tippet	Tom Carlisle	22 0 *				
Albacore	20 Tippet	Jim Carlisle	21 8				
Bass, Striped	12 Tippet	Eli Livnat	19 0 *				
Blue Fish	12 Tippet	Eli Livnat	9 0 *				

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## MULTIPLE DAY CHARTERS- 2004

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. (Italics indicate private i.e. not LARRC charter.)

### ALASKA – KINGFISHER LODGE

**June 3-7, 2004**

Price is \$1595 and includes all meals, filleting, and packaging for shipment, Alaska Fishing License, only 6 spots left. Fares do not include tipping and air transportation (about \$510) to Sitka.

**Contact:** *Arnie Cohen, 11101 Viking St. Northridge, CA 91326, 818- 366/3300 Home: 818 368/5834. Make checks payable to Arnie Cohen.*

### QUALIFIER 105—Baja Skiff Trip

**ONLY ONE OPENING AVAILABLE**

**7-DAY TRIP—June 5-12, 2004**

Price is \$1800, reservation requires a \$300 deposit. LARRC participants in the 2003 trip have first priority. Limited load is 18. Not included are soft drinks, beer, tackle, tips, jackpot, any fuel cost increase and mexican permits.

Subsequent deposits due (\$500) Nov. 15, 2003, Feb. 15, 2004 and April 15, 2004.

Barry Brightenberg was our generous sponsor in 2003 and has agreed to redo it in 2004.

**Contact:** Dan Felger 805 370-1632 or fax 805 370-1483. Address is 860 Hampshire Rd., Suite W, Thousand Oaks, CA 91361. Make checks payable to LARRC

### QUALIFIER 105—Albacore/Bluefin Trip

**THIS TRIP IS SOLD OUT BUT THERE ARE FREQUENTLY CANCELLATIONS. IF INTERESTED IN STANDBY CALL DAN FELGER.**

**5-DAY TRIP— July 14-19, 2004**

**Departs NOON, July 14**

Price is \$1675. Limited load of 22, Not included are tips, drinks, tackle, mexican permits and fuel surcharge if any. LARRC participants in the 2003 trip will have priority. An initial deposit of \$475 must accompany reservation with additional payments (\$400) due Nov. 15, Feb.15 2004 and April 15 2004. Checks are payable to LARRC.

**Contact:** Dan Felger 805 370-1632 or fax 805 370-1483.

Note: The Qualifier 105, September 9-14 Trip for 2004 Currently being negotiated. The charter master for next year will be Sherwood Kingsley. He's accepting reservations now. Please call Sherwood for details of this 5-day trip. 310/836-3934 fax 310/836-9352

## Some of Us Do Fish Locally

LET'S HAVE A REPORT ON A LOCAL TRIP OUT OF CISCO'S

by Stan Richstone

On Thursday, 8/21, the *Pacific Clipper* baited-up and headed directly for Anacapa Island with an arrival there of 6:15am. Following an attempt to jig for squid we went to the backside and the action started at once. Two hours of non-stop yellowtail bites left smiles on our faces. Even though our final fish count was modest this trip proved to be a lot of fun for these participants—**Norm Weinstock, Stan Richstone, Arnie Stein** and 10 year old grandson, **Sean, Vince Shriver and Fred Trebow.**

I want to report that Grandpa Stein and Grandson Sean had a very close rapport and the capture of a few whitefish made the kid's day. We saw lots of action although, I lost a nice yellowtail when I tried splicing the line. We all got good workouts.

The final tally was 6 yellowtail lost, 3 yellowtail landed (20-25 lbs) 5 whitefish, 1 sculpin, 1 sheephead and 2 blue perch. We also got a black seabass and a ling cod both of which were released. Well, it wasn't an albie charter but the enjoyment was there nevertheless the weather cooperated—a beautiful day on the water. ■



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## Membership News

**LARRC Club welcomes the following new members:**

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**Tyler Keene (Junior)**  
5134 Boda Place  
Woodland Hills, CA 91367  
818/594-7245  
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## Goodwill and Cheer

**Chum Line** has learned that **Otto Painter**, LARRC member since '65, has been awarded a 50-year Masonic Pin. **Congratulations Otto on this rare honor!**

We extend our condolences to **Sophia Brodetsky** and family on the passing of her mom. Sophia, as you know, is our ever pleasant hostess/owner at the Valley Inn Restaurant.

**LARRC is proud to announce the Honorary Membership of Frank LoPreste.**

Frank and wife Brook reside at 379 San Antonio, San Diego, CA 92106. One of our true fishing icons, Frank owns the *Royal Polaris* and is partner, with Bill Poole, in Fisherman's Landing. One of the innovators of long range fishing, Frank has been active in the industry for over 30 years.  
**619/226-6030 fax 619/226-8092.**

## F2F—The Freedom to fish act recent developments

Rhode Island Governor Don Carcieri has signed Rhode Island Freedom to Fish and Marine Conservation Act. The law establishes important standards that must be met before "No-Fishing" Marine Protected Areas are established in state waters.

"This is part of a broad initiative launched this year by the Recreation Fishing Alliance(RFA) to seek passage of Freedom to Fish legislation in coastal states." RFA teamed up with affiliates of the Rhode Island Saltwater Anglers Association and the Rhode Island Marine Trades Association, according to Jim Donofrio RFA Executive Director and Michael Doebley, RFA Deputy Director of Government Affairs.

*(Source The Fisherman 7/03)*

Maryland has also approved F2F legislation although the act was modified to also include commercial fisheries. Intensive lobbying by the Recreational Fishing Alliance helped get the agreement signed

*(Source: National Fisherman 10/03)*



## October Humor

A man was crossing a road one day when a frog called out to him and said "if you kiss me, I'll turn into a beautiful princess." He bent over, picked up the frog and put it in his pocket.

The frog spoke up again and said: "If you kiss me and turn me back into a beautiful princess, I will tell everyone how smart and brave you are and how you are my hero".

The man took the frog out of his pocket, smiled at it, and returned it to his pocket.

The frog spoke up again and said: "If you kiss me and turn me back into a beautiful princess, I will be your loving companion for an entire week." The man took the frog out of his pocket, smiled at it, and returned it to his pocket. The frog then cried out: "If you kiss me and turn me back into a princess, I'll stay with you for a year and do ANYTHING you want." Again the man took the frog out, smiled and put it back into his pocket.

Finally, the frog asked: "What is the matter? I've told you I'm a beautiful princess, that I'll stay with you for a year, do anything you want. Why won't you kiss me? The man said: "Look I'm computer programmer. I don't have time for a girlfriend, but a talking frog is cool!"



# LARRC CHARTER ON THE QUALIFIER 105,

by Larry Brown

**N**orin Grancell told all of us his wife, **Nona**, would catch the first fish and just after we anchored off the Jurassic Guadalupe Island she connected with a powerful yellowfin



David Lodge with 93.1-lb. jackpot Yellowfin.

tuna to officially begin the catching phase of our 5-day club charter. Nona's fat 30-pound tuna was quickly followed by **Sherwood Kingsley** and 82-year-old **Judge Pete Giannini**, receiving violent strikes on their sardines and battles that took them running in opposite directions over and under a web of lines. Only the instant and expert attention of the crew of the *Qualifier 105* got Sherwood and Pete out of the multiple tangles and allowed each fish to be gaffed.

Adrenaline was on overdrive but again the crew was coaching and reminding all of us of the critical importance of working together. That's one of the really nice features of a limited-load, club charter where most the of the passengers are friends and experienced anglers and a first class boat and crew.

The 16 LARRC members and 7 other cordial anglers met on September 18 to begin their annual 5-day fishing adventure on the streamlined and luxurious *Qualifier 105*. **Captain Brian Sims** welcomed us aboard during the fist seminar on the way to the fishing grounds and gave us the initial game plan. The fishing reports were dismal. The albacore and bluefin tuna fishing had dramatically dropped off. Benitos and Cedros Islands had poor conditions and few fish and the



Bob Horowitz with his "praying-to-the-albacore-god" hat.

north end of Guadalupe Island had not been fished in nearly a week. Sims said we were headed for Guadalupe.

Seeing tuna crashing and boiling all around the boat is a fisherman's dream. Watching and experiencing the violent predator-prey relationships is awesome. Tuna chasing and missing frantic flying fish escape from one wave top to the next before the prey is swallowed in mid-air before your stunned eyes is thrilling. Everything there is simultaneously both prey and predator, except for the great



Abe Cohen, Pete Giannini and Bob Horowitz our famous octogenerians.

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## C O R R E C T I O N

LARRC Members,

“Internet fisherman”. Not so long ago that was a complete oxymoron. Not so any longer. If you’re reading this you are indeed an internet fisherman. The September *Chum Line*, which is available online at [www.LARRC.org](http://www.LARRC.org) attests to that fact. The first page bears a short list of websites for fishermen. One of the most extensive resources in the list is Allcoast Sportfishing. The website address for that site has a typo—a dropped hyphen. It should read [www.sport-fish-info.com](http://www.sport-fish-info.com). Perhaps easier to remember, [www.internetfishing.com](http://www.internetfishing.com) will also take you there.

Most folks visiting Allcoast go right to the message boards at

<http://www.sport-fish-info.com/dcforum/cgibin/dcboard.cgi>

However, there are a couple of other very useful pages on Allcoast that you should know about. One has links to daily sportsfishing reports and websites for all the landings on the SoCal coast. This page is at

<http://www.sport-fish-info.com/cnt0.html>

Besides the fish counts, nothing is more important than the weather. An extensive list of very helpful marine weather websites can be found at: <http://www.sport-fish-info.com/weather.html> You’ll want to add these links to your favorites.

—Joel Greenberg - [webmaster@larrc.org](mailto:webmaster@larrc.org)

## Q105 Charter

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white. In one visit **Whitey** (the great white) swallowed three of our hooked tuna and another half, within a few feet of gaff, probably 125-lbs of meat. Incredible! Don’t fall in the water!!!

We enjoyed a steady pick on 25- to-30-lb. yellowfin tuna with a handful of 40-pounders mixed in. Captain Brian reported poor conditions on the albacore grounds and at Benitos and Cedros Islands and decided to continue fishing Guadalupe. Good call!! Nona started the action again on day 2, but **Al Scow** and **Eric Rogger** were right behind with big bends in their rods. Eric made several attempts to set club records on 10- and 12-lb. line but did not succeed. The 3 Larrys,

**Methvin, Diamant** and **Brown** were the next lucky threesome to score.

**Richard Stone** took a nice tuna around the boat before he subdued it.

The second and third days produced more and better grade tuna. Several 80-lb-plus fish were lost but **David Lodge, Dan Felger** and **Keith King** combined to best three of the largest fish for trip honors. Dave’s beautiful 93.1-pounder was first, Dan’s scored second with a 77.6-lb. tuna and Keith King’s 55.4-lb. fish was third.

**Bob Horowitz**, at age 84, bested a 50-lb. beast—not a mean accomplishment.

Our three octogenarians, **Bob Horowitz, Abe Cohen** and **Peter Giannini** were an inspiration to their fellow anglers displaying a great deal of tolerance to us whippersnappers and being good sports.

In addition to a good score of yellowfin tuna, we also caught some nice Guadalupe Island yellowtail to 35 lbs, 3 black seabass (released) and one lonely wahoo. **Rob Baldwin** caught his first ever wahoo, trolling for only five minutes!

Thanks, **Chartermaster Richard Stone!** Lots of laughs and enough fish. Thanks to **Brian Sims** and the entire excellent crew—**Tommy, Brook, Armando, Travis, John** and **Chef Tony and RC**—you were professional courteous and expert. You can see photos of the trip at [www.976.com](http://www.976.com). Click on the photo gallery at the top right hand side of the home page and scroll down to the *Q105* trip. ■

C A L E N D A R

LARRC Charters 2003

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 rockfish 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 staterooms 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.

**HALIBUT NEWS**

BUT YOU AIN'T SEEN NOTHING YET!

In case you didn't learn about this earlier, this spring's Santa Monica Bay Halibut Derby set some new records.

**Dan Erickson** of Hacienda Heights set a new derby record with a California Halibut weighing 52.33 lbs. It was taken on a live squid off Malibu Pier. **Matt Porter** of Lawndale took second spot with a 31.90-pounder.

(Source: Sport Fishing 7/03) ■

**Pete Thomas** in the *LA Times* (9/16) reports on a real barn door. This one was caught by commercial fishermen in the Bering Sea. It measured 8'2" and weighed 553 lbs. While no records are kept for commercially caught fish, the record on sport caught halibut is 450 lbs. reeled in near Dutch Harbor, Alaska. ■

**WHITE SEABASS  
 COMMERCIAL CATCH  
 RISES—ANGLERS' CATCH  
 FALLS**

While the recreational catch of white seabass aboard the Southern California party boats and private boats dropped about 15% from 2001 levels, the commercial catch increased by about 50% during the same period. These estimates are from the Pacific States Marine Fisheries Commission ([www.recfin.org](http://www.recfin.org)) and the California Dept of Fish and Game ([www.dfg.ca.gov/mrd](http://www.dfg.ca.gov/mrd)) ■



**Dinner Meetings**

OCTOBER 27

November 17

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**

OCTOBER 20

November 17

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

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**Other Events**

- October 23, 2003  
 Inter-Club Tournament on the AZTEC
- February 21, 2004  
 Annual Awards Dinner
- December 1st  
 Foundation Meeting at Valley Inn
- March 3-7  
 Hall Tackle Show, Long Beach
- March 17-21  
 Hall Tackle Show, Del Mar
- April 15-18  
 Hall Tackle Show, Ventura

**Foundation Meetings**

SDecember 1st  
 All at 6pm at the Valley Inn

**Upcoming Speakers**

- October 27  
 Jack Nilsen/Linda Hicks  
 Accurate Reels
- November 24  
 Barry Brightenberg, Fish Trap Lures

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