

Chum Line

Good Sportsmanship is Worth all the Fish in the Ocean



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Elections Announced

Election Chairman Norm Weinstock is rallying the membership to participate in this important annual function. Do your part and volunteer to head a committee, be on the board, or pitch in with the many functions it takes to run the club.

The following have been selected by the nomination election committee of the club to run for the board of the LARRC: **John Ballotti, Mike Godfrey,**

Bob Selvin, and Steve Simon.

The by-laws of the club state that this list be circulated to the general membership 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 request to me by October 25th. Please write or call: Norman Weinstock, 3626 Paseo Primario, Calabasas, CA 91302 818-591-0450. ■**

IGFA'S Weighty Decision

In case you haven't read this—*The L.A. Times* Outdoor Section (Tues. 9/27/05) carried an article on activities at the International Game Fish Association. In the future fishing record titles will also be granted upon the successful, healthy, release of the fish in question. This is a radical departure from what we're used to.

The 67-year-old organization is probably thinking about the depletion of some fisheries, particularly billfish and exotics destined to become mounts or photographic souvenirs. Current rules require possible trophy contenders to be weighed on land but since the fish normally die during this process it required a rule change.

Under the new rules, the angler can submit a measurement of the

length of the fish, instead of its weight. The IGFA will consider counting it as a record provided the fish was returned to the water and swam away in good health.

Scott Doggett, the *Times* Staff Writer, quotes a report from the journal *Science*, which indicates that the variety of tuna, marlin, swordfish and other big ocean predators has declined by up to 50% in the last half-century.

Dissent comes from those who feel it is impossible to accurately measure the length of a wildly thrashing fish. Others will claim that verification of catches by photo is not reliable. No doubt IGFA is addressing these problems. ■

Founders' Night Scheduled for October 24th

The Los Angeles Rod & Reel Club will proudly host a number of founding members and past presidents from the 1950-1979 era, at the October 24 dinner meeting at the Valley Inn. As usual the social hour begins at 6 pm and the meeting at 7 pm.

The topic for the night will be "LARRC Relives the Past" as the honorees will each be given a few minutes to discuss the club's rich history, what the club has meant to them and some fond memories during their presidency.

Many of the honorees don't get a chance to get to the meetings any more, so this will be a great opportunity to meet and greet some of the integral people who helped form and structure the club into what it has become today. Don't miss this evening!

Call Michael Godfrey with your reservations and be sure to bring any old pictures or mementos. (818) 808-4909. ■

Rooster Tales by Richard Lapidus

We learned pretty quickly that we were in for it. On **Arnie Cohen's** annual *Red Rooster III* 3-day trip, September 7-10. **Captain Andy Cates** told us that it was going to be a rough and tumble boat ride, and it would be a long one at that. Usually the 3-day trips were offshore trolling expeditions with no land in sight, but that bite was not happening and conditions...well, to put in the vernacular—they sucked. We were going to Guadalupe Island where fishing had not been so good either, but we would at least have a chance at some bigger fish. Plus the weather should be better there.

To say that it was a long, rocky boat ride would be putting it on the mild side. For those interested in such statistics, about 15% of the charter had felt better the last time they had the flu.

Once at the island however, it was calm and warm, and everyone's hopes were up. This chronicler was the first to hook up, and I broke the ice on a 22-pound yellowfin about 9:45 am., and we were fishing. For most of the day the bite was slow but steady, with mainly larger tuna and yellowtail showing their beautiful fluorescent colors when pulled to the surface.

LARRC was represented by two **Phils (Bell & Press)**; two **Mikes (Godfrey & Lapidus)**; one **Sam (Rubinfeld)**; one **Arnie (Chartermaster Cohen)**; one **Marv (Smith)**; one **Dave (Permut)**; one **Mark (Lemp Jr.)**, an out of state member who traveled from St. Louis with 2 brothers, **Bill and Rick**, for this adventure); one **Shelly**

(Fried) prospective member; and yours truly. In the afternoon, the crew brought out the kites, and many of us fished them for the first time. A few nice tuna were landed as the result. First day's count was: 25 YFT and 37 YT. Because we had a 20-hour ride home in choppy seas, we were only able to fish until around noon on the second day, and the results were 5 YFT, and 2 YT.

Lots of credit should be given to Captain Andy, who runs a first-class operation, and goes to every extreme to find fish. In addition, the *Rooster* crew seems to go out of their way to learn everyone's name and takes a personal interest in our success and comfort. Quotes from the guys: **Phil Bell** – *"My highlights were catching a huge yellowfin that took me up to the bow, and having Brian, a great deckhand, coaching me. That fish had me whipped."*



ABOVE: Mike Lapidus with his 'Brace of Fish'
BELOW: Mike Godfrey with yellowtail.





Sam's Third JP Winner, 74 pounds.

Another great moment was seeing Sam hooking up on the kite and getting pulled hard into the rail."

Chartermaster Arnie: "Catching my first fish on the kite. It took me around the boat twice. About a 60-pounder". The general consensus was that the counts weren't great but the size of the fish made up for it. Only problem was that several guys did not catch anything.

It would be neglectful not to mention the new plasma T.V. in the galley, and the wonderful meals prepared by **Chef George**, especially the last night's filet mignon.

Jackpot winners were Marvin C. Smith with a 79-lb. 8-oz. YFT, Phil Bell with a 77-lb., 1-oz. YFT, and Sam Rubinfeld with a 74-lb YFT. Especially remarkable was Phil Press' 58-lb. 3-oz.



Arnie Cohen with tuna.

YFT on 20# test. And Mike Lapidus' 57-lb 9-oz. YFT and 34-lb. 6-oz.YT, both reeled in on 30# line, are also noteworthy.

For me, I can't think of a finer group of guys to fish with. Thanks to Arnie Cohen for going through all the hassles of making the arrangements, to the captain and the crew of the *Red Rooster III*, and to all the participants.

INTERCLUB CALICO BASS TOURNAMENT

On Friday, the 29th of July we boarded the "Thunderbird" out of Queens Wharf in San Pedro with high hopes of taking back the trophy that has evaded us for the past two years.

It was a smooth ride to the Pyramid Cove at San Clemente Island. On board were 12 players and 10 others representing the San Fernando Valley Club.

We kicked things off at 6 am and noted that they had a couple of 'hot sticks' when it comes to calico bass fishing.

Our own group was on fire as well and we claimed bragging rights and the trophy. It turned out to be a 60 lb to 30 lb victory!

Top fish honors went to Brad Stich for a 4 lb. fish and the biggest stringer went to Steve Simon at 23.10 lbs.

Thanks to all who participated.

Reported by Paul Varenchik ■



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MULTIPLE DAY CHARTERS

THESE TRIPS ARE PRIVATE CHARTERS AND THE FULL CHARTER PRICE MUST BE PAID BY LARRC IRRESPECTIVE OF THE NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS. THEREFORE, IF YOU SIGN UP YOU WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE FULL AMOUNT OF THE TRIP COST IN THE EVENT YOU CANCEL AND A REPLACEMENT IS NOT AVAILABLE. LARRC MEMBERS WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE CONDUCT AND FINANCIAL OBLIGATIONS OF THEIR GUESTS.

The chartermaster will be Dan Felger. **PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO THE LOS ANGELES ROD & REEL CLUB AND SEND TO:** Dan Felger at 860 Hampshire Road, Suite W, Thousand Oaks, CA 91361. Dan can be reached at (805) 370-1632, (805) 370-1483(FAX) OR dan@dartreaty.net

Qualifier 105—2006 5-Day Tuna Charter

- 1-**Departure:** 11 am, Wednesday, July 12, 2006
- 2-**Return:** 7 am, Monday July 17, 2006
- 3-**The cost:** is \$1965 per person
- 4-**Passenger load limited:** to 22 (1 less than 2005)
Chartermaster may overbook by one.
- 5-**Not included:** are soft drinks, beer, tackle, fish cleaning (if permitted) crew tip, Mexican permits, jackpot, fuel charge.
- 6-**A reservation** will only be accepted if accompanied with initial deposit of \$465. **Subsequent deposits of \$500 each will be due Nov. 15, 2005, Feb. 15 and April 15 of 2006. See conditions above!**

Qualifier 105—2006 8-Day LARRC Charter

- 1-**Departure:** 11 am Tuesday, September 12, 2006
- 2-**Return:** 7 am. Wednesday, September 20, 2006
- 3-**The cost:** is \$2935 per person
- 4-**Passenger load:** 22. Chartermaster may overbook by one.
If there is a 23rd spot sold, there will be a rebate of \$125, which will reduce the cost to \$2810
- 5-**Not included:** in the cost are soft drinks, beer, tackle, fish cleaning (if permitted), crew tips, Mexican permits, jackpot and fuel cost charge.
- 6-**A reservation** will only be accepted if accompanied with an initial deposit \$685. **Subsequent deposits of \$750 each will be due Dec. 15, 2005 March 15 and June 15 of 2006. See conditions above!**

PACIFIC DAWN2006

Oxnard: Saturdays—Overnight

Mar. 11, Apr. 15, May 20

San Diego: 1.5 day trip Sun. August 27

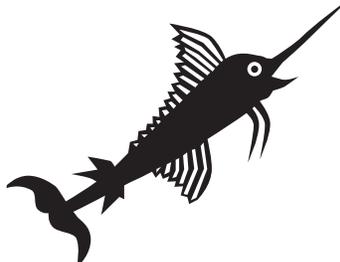
Trips to be run by Jim Carlisle and Jan Howard.
Call Jim for further Information (562) 598-0940 or email jamesnc@earthlink.net or
Jan at Email: saltwaterwoman@cox.net

KINGFISHER LODGE

4 nights, 3 days of fishing.

SITKA, ALASKA – June 10 to June 14. Cost is \$1795. This includes food, fishing, lodging, snacks, soft drinks, fish cleaning and packaging for home trip, Alaska license and salmon stamps, rain gear, tackle, and bait, transportation to lodge from airport.

Excluded are tips and alcoholic beverages. **A \$500 deposit made out to Arnie Cohen will reserve your spot. For additional information call (wk) 818- 366-3300 or (home) 818 368-5834.**



RED ROOSTER III

4-Night Tuna Trip

SAN DIEGO—July 8th-12th

Total Cost to follow –

Send \$200 deposit made out to Arnie Cohen.

RED ROOSTER III

4-Night Tuna Trip

SAN DIEGO—Sept. 5th-9th

Total Cost to follow –

Send \$200 deposit made out to Arnie Cohen.

WEEKEND CHARTER GOES THE DISTANCE

Submitted by Charles Shoemaker

Scheduled to leave at 10 pm, Saturday Aug. 27, our 15 LARRC members and guests had boarded early, the *Pacific Dawn* had already topped off the bait tanks and was headed out of the San Diego harbor by 9:30, watching the remaining remnants of the day fleet return. It had been a brutal day for the overnight fleet, with some boats not reporting fish counts and some boats only having five or eight fish. Since we were on a day-and-a-half trip, we had the extra time to go and find fish. Joining us on the trip were **Jim and Tom Carlisle** and their nephew **Sean Flanagan, Sol and Joel Zide, Mike Hartt, BJ Beck, Jack Graham, Mel and Robbie Stein** and their friend **Andy Gyenizse, Jack Genero**, his nephew **Hunter Lyden** (our newest junior member), and his brother-in-law **Pat Lyden** from Arizona as well as yours truly **Charles Shoemaker**.

Still, we were surprised when **Captain Pat Cavanaugh** announced that we would have to go 120 miles down the coast to find the fish, as the fleet had been generally skunked in the 90- to 100-mile range. So, we hit the bunks, figuring we would be fishing by noon the next day. During the morning Pat received reports from various

sources indicating that the schools he was hoping to locate had moved another 22 miles to the south. Undaunted, he told the passengers he would be heading the extra distance, and we did not get to the fishing grounds until 2 pm. There were no stops on the way except for one small kelp, which produced a few small yellowtail, so at least we had a few fish on board.

Unfortunately, the area where the fish had been was now pretty barren. The area was holding acres of fish several days before but those modern marvels of efficiency known as purse seiners had cleaned the area out. We

were now the only sport boat in the area so anything we found would be ours. We were about 142 miles out and it was beginning to be nervous time when at 6 pm when one of the crewmen found a kelp paddy. The kelp paddy was the mother lode of the trip, first yielding small yellowtail, then dorado and yellowfin tuna, which ranged from rats to the mid-20s. The bite was very productive, everyone got at least one fish. Boat totals by dark were 20 yellowtail, 11 dorado and 62 yellowfin tuna for the trip.

Captain Pat once again put in the extra effort and pulled the rabbit out of the

hat to produce a miracle stop at the last moment. And this was literally the last moment. Scheduled to be in around 6:am Monday morning, we arrived at San Diego at 1 pm. But hey, what's eight hours on a work-day when you are catching fish.

Had anyone checked the fish counts, you might have noticed a lack of reports. It was a hard day for the rest of the fleet. I thought it was a great trip. See the announcement for future trips on the *Pacific Dawn* on page 4. ■



King of the Calicos Report—Where's the Fish?

As we boarded the Thunderbird for the 2005 King of the Calicos tournament a bright, full moon greeted us. Anticipating a successful tournament, everyone went about his business preparing for the next of fishing. Team members conferred on tactics and stern rotation plans. Each tournament participant received a goodie bag compliments of **Rick's Bait and Tackle** in Long Beach. A trip to Bill's bait receiver yielded a load of excellent anchovies and very weak sardines. The crossing to San Clemente Island was as smooth as I have ever experienced. Waking in the pre-dawn hours, the full moon that had been our companion for the trip was just dipping out of sight behind the rugged mountains of the island. As dawn broke over the mainland, the horn sounded and the tournament was on. Unfortunately, no one told the fish we were coming.

You could say fishing was tough, but

that would be the understatement. Spot after spot yielded not a single calico bass. We rounded the corner into Pyramid Cove with high hopes only to find the *Freedom* and the *Fury* already there experiencing the same poor results. These boats would be our companions for the rest of the day as each captain played leap frog with the other down the lee side of the island looking for fish that would bite.

Finally, a late morning stop yielded results. With about an hour-and-a-half left in the tournament the first calico was landed. Not the first legal calico, the **FIRST** calico. The bit turned wide open with 10 and 11 inch fish. The mood of the group intensified as everyone realized that just one or two legal fish would win the tournament.

When the dust settled and the final stop fishing horn sounded, **Randy Sharon** and **Brett Goldberg** took top team honors with three legal fish that weighed 2 lb. 9

oz. Brett took top individual honors and **Andy MacDonald** had the heaviest fish at a whopping 1 lb 4 oz. A total of 8 legal fish were weighed for the 18 talented anglers on board.

In addition to **Randy, Brett, and Andy, John Ballotti, Brad Stich, Bob Jones, Stan Richstone, Chas. Shoemaker, Joel Steinman, Michael Grossman, Phil Bell, Stanley Weintraub, Scott Cohen, Bob Stern, Jack Graham, Matt Wayne, Nick Varenchik, and Jonathan Varenchik** experienced a trip that they will never forget. Weighmaster and Judge **Steve Ex** was caught napping several times during the day due to the lack of activity.

This trip absolutely validated our club motto "Good Sportsmanship is Worth More than All the Fish in the ocean" or in this case "no fish in the ocean".

Submitted by John Ballotti. ■

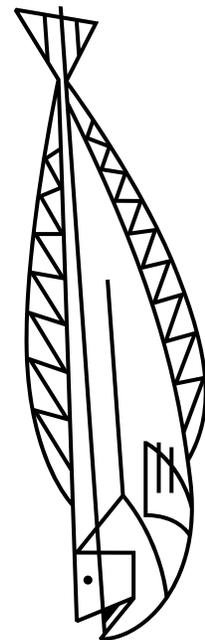
Board of Directors Adopts Amendment to By-Laws Re: Membership Renewals

The Board of Directors adopted the following amendment to Section 5, Article IV of the Club By Laws regarding membership renewals:

If a member's renewal form and dues payment have not been received by December 31 preceding the year of renewal, then the member may, upon board action, be placed on pending status for a period of up to one year and shall not appear in the Roster for the following year. Pending status shall mean that for up to one year following the applicable December 31 renewal deadline the pending member is eligible for reinstatement without any

further action, upon receipt by the Board of the member's renewal payment and renewal form. The membership of any person who is a pending member for any consecutive one-year period shall expire at the end of such one-year period.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, a member who has failed to renew by the December 31 deadline, may not be placed on pending status if at least one Board member shall state that he has personal knowledge of that member's intention not to renew membership. In such case that membership shall expire as of December 31 of that calendar year. ■



C A L E N D A R

LARRC Charters 2005

2005 Weekday Charters on the *Sea Biscuit* berthed at Channel Islands Landing in Oxnard.

RULES FOR 2005 ARE:

- 1) Usual Departures are 4 a.m. and returns about 4 p.m. (\$130)
- 2) Charter Master will notify of early departures.
- 3) Children are half price with a full-price paying adult. Limit is 12 adults.
- 4) Boarding is open after 6 p.m..
- 5) The boat has a full galley—please no ice chests!

Checks should be made payable to Arnie Cohen. For additional information please call Arnie at (818) 368-5834 hm or (818)366-3300 xt.1221 (ofc.)

SCHEDULE

October 19—Wed November 16—Wed December 1—Thurs



Dinner Meetings

October 24th

November 28th

Use the hotline for your reservations (818) 808-4909 or email LARRCDinnerRSVP@Yahoo.com. RSVP at least two days prior to meeting and confirm if you are having dinner.

THE VALLEY INN
4557 Sherman Oaks Avenue, Sherman Oaks

Board Meetings

October 17th

November 21st

All Club members are welcome to attend. Please RSVP to Bob Selvin at least two days prior to meeting and confirm if you are having dinner.

Dinner: 6:00 pm • Meeting: 7:00 pm

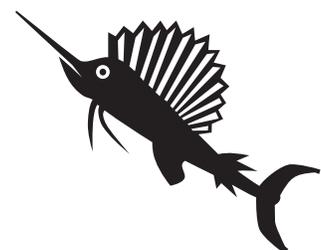
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Foundation Meetings

Nov. 7—Mon.
Valley Inn

Other Events

Feb 19 '06
Annual Brunch/Installation/Auction



Membership News

Membership Applications Received:

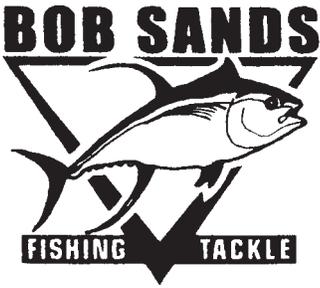
Applied for Active Membership:

Michael Dickler, *Encino, CA*
Dajvid Hockman, *Encino, CA*

Applied for Non-Resident Membership:

Ray McIntosh, *Temecula, CA*
Chip Fitch, *Chandler, AZ*
Tom Phelps, *Phoenix, AZ*

Note: In accordance with new rules addresses, phone numbers and emails will no longer be published in the *Chum Line* since this information also appears on our web site. It was felt that this could compromise someone's privacy. If you need phone numbers or other information please contact the membership chair, Tom Carlisle. Addresses etc. will of course appear in the 2006 year book.



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Trophy Winners as of September 25, 2005

SPECIES	LINE TEST	ANGLER	LB.	OZ.	SPECIES	LINE TEST	ANGLER	LB.	OZ.
OCEAN WATER					FRESH WATER				
Albacore	12	Don Lee	27	0	Bass, Large Mouth	2	Frank Polak	3	10 *
Amberjack	30	Earl Warren	32	10	Bass, Large Mouth	8	Andy McDonald	3	14
Bass, Calico	8	John Ballotti	6	4 *	Bass, Large Mouth	10	Curtis Hunter	Released	
Bass, Calico	10	John Ballotti	7	0 *	Bass, Striped	8	Joel Steinman	2	8
Bass, Calico	40	Joel Steinman	7	4 *	Catfish, Channel	12	Wayne Caywood	9	10 *
Bass, Calico	50	Rick Uribe	8	0 *	Steelhead	16	Don Lee	12	8
Bass, Spotted Bay	6	Rick Uribe	3	0 *	Trout, Lake	4	Ben Susman	9	12
Cabrilla, Leopard Grouper	15	Michael Grossman	9	8 *	Trout, Lake	8	Ben Susman	36	0 *
Cabrilla, Leopard Grouper	30	Michael Grossman	14	10 *	Trout, Lake	20	Al Scow	30	0 *
Dorado	80	Dan Felger	33	0 *	Trout, Rainbow	6	Paul Varenchik	9	4 *
Halibut, California	20	Dan Felger	25	0 *	MEN'S RELEASED				
Halibut, California	30	John Ballotti	17	5	Sailfish	30	Charles Shoemaker		
Halibut, Pacific	80	Phil Bell	210	0 *	Tarpon	25	Charles Shoemaker		
Halibut, Pacific	80	Earl Warren	61	0 *	WOMEN'S				
Mackerel, King	20	Barry Cohn	6	0 *	Albacore	25	Jan Howard	45	2 *
Salmon, King	16	Norm Carabet	38	6 *	Amberjack	30	Pamela Warren	28	8 *
Salmon, King	25	Barry Cohn	24	0	Bass Largemouth	10	Robin Hunter	Released	
Dorado	80	Dan Felger	33	0 *	Halibut, Pacific	80	Pamela Warren	62	6
Tarpon	25	Earl Warren	102	0 *	Tuna, Bluefin	30	Jan Howard	42	0 *
Tarpon	25	Charles Shoemaker	85	0	Tuna, Yellowfin	40	Jan Howard	68	2
Tarpon	25	Barry Cohn	45	0	Yellowtail	40	Jan Howard	29	3
Tarpon	40	Earl Warren	112	0 *	SARDINES				
Yellowtail	10	Eric Rogger	22	1 *	Bass, Large Mouth	8	Harrison Hunter	Released	
Yellowtail	40	Thomas Carlisle	47	0	Bass, Large Mouth	8	Micaele Rosberg	2	7
Yellowtail	80	Dennis Saylor	52	0 *	Bass, Large Mouth	8	Miles Rosberg	2	10
Tuna, Bluefin	50	Dan Felger	48	10	Dorado	40	Hunter Lyden	5	5
Tuna, Yellowfin	30	Michael Lapidus	57	9	Tuna, Yellowfin	20	Hunter Lyden	16	4
Tuna, Yellowfin	40	Richard Lapidus	36	3	Tuna, Yellowfin	20	Hunter Lyden	Released	
Tuna, Yellowfin	60	Dennis Saylor	110	0	Yellowtail	30	Hunter Lyden	20	0
Tuna, Yellowfin	80	Eric Rogger	223	7	* New Club Record				
Tuna, Yellowfin	100	Al Scow	204	0	FIRST GAMEFISH OF THE YEAR				
Wahoo	40	Earl Warren	39	6	Barry Cohn - White Sea Bass				
White Sea Bass	16	Barry Cohn	22	0	2-9-2005 22.0 oz				
Yellowtail	30	Michael Lapidus	57	9	FIRST ALBACORE OF THE YEAR				
Yellowtail	40	Richard Lapidus	34	6	Jan Howard				
Yellowtail	50	Dan Felger	40	6	6-28-05 26lb -6 Oz.				
FLY ROD									
Bass, Calico	20	Eli Livnat	5	12 *					
Trout, Lake	8	Al Scow	8	0 *					
Tuna, Yellowfin	20	Jim Carlisle	20	14					
Yellowtail	20	Eli Livnat	20	0 *					



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8 - Day Trip by Dan Felger

The recently concluded *Qualifier 105* club trip (Sept.7-12) can only be categorized as fair. The first day of fishing produced near limits of small yellowtail.

Fishing offshore the next day was for a modest catch of small dorado. In the day and a half at Guadalupe, 35 yellowfin tuna were caught out of about 100+ hookups. The dropping of the anchor must have sounded like a dinner gong to the great white sharks. Although these magnificent animals put on a spectacular show, they do limit the catching opportunities. This year and last year albacore and bluefin were not available. By contrast, the July 5-day trip produced limits of large albacore, limits of 20-30 lb. yellowtail, and 3/4 limits of bluefin tuna.

Captain Brian Simms is of the opinion that we are in a cycle and will probably not get albacore or blue fin again in September for several years.

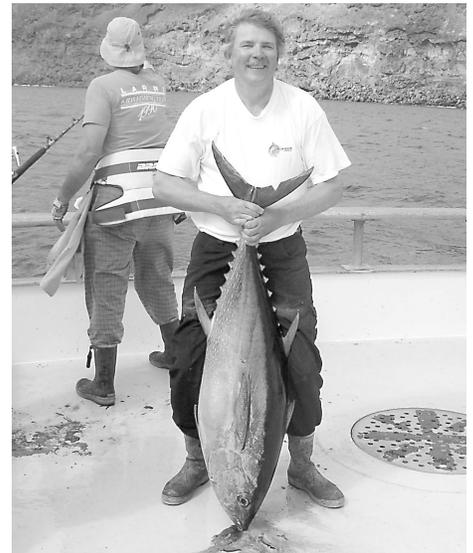
These are some of the reasons that the LARRC September trip has been changed to an 8-day. The extra days permit the *Qualifier 105* to fish further south (Alijos Rocks and a series of high spots along the Mexican coast known as the Ridge.) The longer, early fall trips typically produce good catches of wahoo, large yellowtail, yellowfin

tuna, gulf grouper, dorado and even marlin.

Pertinent details regarding the 8-day trip are on page 4. Participants of this year's trip will have until October 15 to commit to the 2006 trip. Please inform me if you don't intend to go in 2006 as there are people on the "wait" list. ■



Al Scow, Cal Link, and Dan Felger with remnant.



Charles Shoemaker.



Happiness is a guy with a 71-lb. fish. Richard Stone on Q105.

CLUB RECORDS IN PERSPECTIVE

If you follow the applications for club record contenders, you will notice several very nice tarpon catches. The August issue of *Salt Water Sportsman* reports on another tarpon catch: For **Erich Lichtenberger**, the trick to tarpon fishing is taking some time off. About four years after his last tarpon catch, the Florida angler hooked into a 6½-ft. giant near the Sunshine Skyway Bridge in Tampa Bay. Fishing a threadfin herring on a circle hook with a 40-lb. line and spinning tackle, Lichtenberger didn't hold anything back. Five jumps and two hours later, Lichtenberger brought the fish boatside for some photographs and then released it. With a 47-inch girth, he estimated the fish to weigh 236 lbs. He says he hopes not to have to wait for another four years before his next tarpon wondering "how can I ever top that fish?"

Also from *Salt Water Sportsman*, Aug 2005, In the early 1900s, **William H. Wood**, the pioneer for tarpon fishing, developed a formula for estimating the weight of tarpon in pounds. Its' girth (squared), times its' length divided by 800, each measured in inches. It's a fairly accurate formula that gives the approximate weight of almost every type of fish, no matter what shape or size.

—Robert Sloan ■

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