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Chum Line



Dedicated to Fishing, Fun, Relaxation and Companionship!

A MATTER OF IMPORTANCE...An Editorial by David Lippey

The President's Corner in the May issue of the Chum Line contained the following comment:

"For some years now the membership of LARRC has hovered around the present number of 115. Attrition through death, disability and removal has been just about balanced by the signing of new members. We are left about 35 members short of the "legal" limit of 150 and have, at times in the past, been close to that limit."

The above was followed with a plea to the membership to bring new members into the Club. Surely, our President is correct when he stated that everyone of us has a relative, a friend or associate who can be a potential member. Then why have we not obtained a single new member since the President's appeal of three months ago?

Perhaps we make it too difficult and too time-consuming to attract new members. Let me review the procedure for new members to qualify:

1. The By-Laws (Sec. 4) requires the applicant to attend at least two dinner meetings and to fish with at least one club member other than the two members who sponsor the applicant.
2. The Membership Committee is then required to investigate the applicant and report its findings to the Board of Directors.
3. The applicant cannot be accepted until after his name is published in the Chum Line.

The above terms and conditions that we impose on a prospective member are more restrictive than most other organizations require. And the time it takes (about three months after he attends his first meeting) can become very frustrating.

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We should be more honest about it. We do not learn very much about a new applicant (if that is the purpose) when he attends two meetings or when he fishes once with one of us. Surely, he will be on his best behavior on those occasions and I know that very few are investigated by the Membership Committee.

Also, in my opinion, it is not really fair to publish the name of a new applicant before he is accepted. It is not fair to expose the man in this manner so that somebody can oppose him for some reason that has no relation to his qualifications for LARRC membership. After all, we are not operating a Masonic Lodge.

There is also the matter of cost that is created by our procedure. This is particularly applicable to younger guys that are so urgently needed for the future survival of LARRC. When the cost of two dinner meetings with drinks, raffle tickets, parking and tips is added to the cost of a fishing trip it can be more than some applicants, especially some younger men, can afford. That is even before they pay the dues and initiation.

Section 4 of the By-Laws was added after we had some unpleasant experiences with a few members (I can remember only two of them) but I do not think that it keeps out undesirable applicants. It only creates unnecessary obstacles and causes unnecessary delays.

I strongly recommend that if the applicant has been sponsored by two members, has been investigated by the Membership Committee and has been approved by the Board, then we should accept his money and welcome him into the Club. Sec. 4 of the By-Laws should be amended to reflect these requirements.

I have attempted, without success, to convince our Board that we must make it easier and less time-consuming to admit new members. These pages are open for further discussion if others would like to express themselves regarding this important matter. Send your comments to Dr. Henry Levy, the Chum Line Editor, or convey your feelings to the Board.

FROM THE HISTORIAN'S RECORDS...Fish to Beat for a Trophy

Pacific Sailfish,	130-lb	on 30-lb	line at Acapulco	by Carolyn Felger
"	Albacore,	21-lb	4-oz 12-lb	" " 60-Mile " Ben Susman
"	"	22-lb	on 12-lb	" " " " " Dan Felger
Atlantic Bonafish	1-lb	12 oz	on 12-lb	line " Norm Carabet

Surely, we have more catches that can qualify for trophies. Send in those cards to Otto Painter, our new Historian.

FAMILY ALBACORE TRIP...VERY SUCCESSFUL

Polaris De Luxe was the vehicle for one of the most outstanding albacore trips in recent history. It brought the owners, Ingrid and Bill Poole, out on the docks from their Montana retreat. The catch was 393 albacore plus blue fins, yellow fins, skipjacks, yellowtail and 7 dolphinfish. One big-eye weighed 52# was caught trolling by Howard Susman. Two huge ones spit out the hook because they were played too hard due to a time limit.

A group of families, led by Chartermaster Felger, was aboard with his son Brad and his son-in-law Pete. Co-chairman Greenfield and son Steve, Ben Susman with son Howard, Henry Levy with daughter Marilyn were included. Marv Resnick had a picture of his new daughter and her new tooth. The roster was completed with Bcky, Richard, Rimland, Ross, Pearlman, Stein and Palty. The weather and the ocean was very pleasant.

The last stop on Sunday night when 77 albacore were landed was indeed an awesome spectacle. The fish were acting like they wanted to jump into the boat. Fish were lost at the gaff because it became dark. It was madness! Some men landed 10 at that stop! Brad did not even have time to jackpole.

The first day the fish were overshot and the inside boats had a killing while the big boats on the outside were scratching. All that changed when they came in at night. The fish averaged better than 18# and several were in the 30# class. The variety spiced the catch and shushi was served each day. Bill Pearlman got the "gold" with most hook-ups. Dan Felger was shoulder-to-shoulder with him. The total catch was 7,000 lbs!

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FIESTA TIME

Casa de Felger
19333 Wells Drive
Sunday August 19, 5 p.m. - ?

COME JOIN THE FUN!!!

SIP COOL MARGARITAS (STRAWBERRY ONES TOO),

PLENTY OF CHIPS AND SALSA, PLUS APPETIZERS.

CREATE YOUR OWN TOSTADAS.

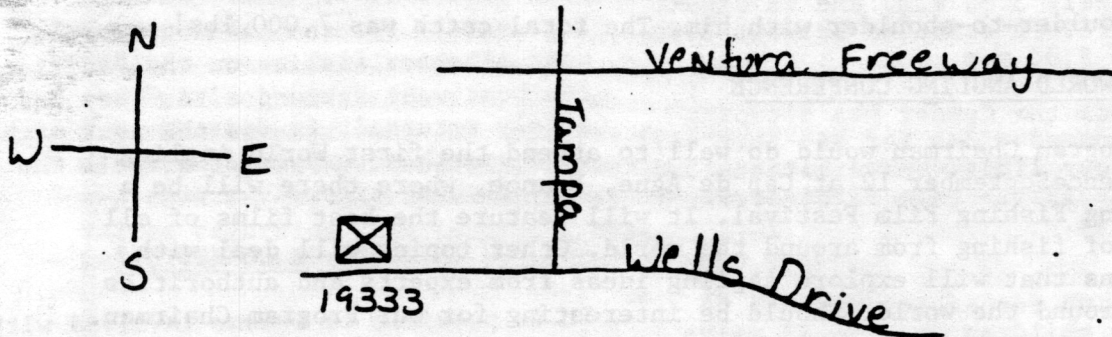
STEAK PICADO, CHICKEN, RICH & BEANS.

FRESH FRUIT, FLAN AND STRAWBERRY TARTS.

MARIACHI BAND

SPECIAL NOTICE

THERE WILL NOT BE ANY
DINNER MEETING DURING
THIS MONTH BECAUSE OF
THE FELGER FIESTA.



I WILL BE ATTENDING THE FIESTA PARTY ON AUGUST 19th

MEMBERS NAME: _____

TOTAL RESERVATIONS, INCLUDING GUESTS: _____ @ \$20.00 each

MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO "LOS ANGELES ROD & REEL CLUB"

MAIL TO: DON LEE, 6161 BLUEBELL, NORTH HOLLYWOOD, CALIF. 91606

FAMILY FISHING TRIP

Saturday, Sept 8

The annual Los Angeles Rod and Reel Club's Family Fishing Trip will be on September 8th aboard the Condor from Sea Landing in Santa Barbara.

Fishing format will be somewhat similar to last year; i.e., we will fish either Santa Rosa Flats or San Miguel for bass and various shallow water rock fish.

For those of you who participated last year, I am sure you will remember the great fun we had at San Miguel Island when Johnny Bass, Chuckle Heads and Rock Fish were swarming around the boat like Calico Bass, and every person aboard, including 3 1/2 year old Will Zuckerman, caught the 15 fish limit.

Our departure time will be approximately 3:00 a.m. and we expect to return sometime between 3:00 and 5:00 p.m.

Since the Condor has sleeping accommodations for 46, that will be our limit. Reservations are on a first-come, first-serve basis.

The cost of the trip will be \$50.00 for adults and \$25.00 for children who are 18 years and under. Checks should be made payable to Los Angeles Rod and Reel Club and sent to Dan Felger at 4626 Van Nuys Boulevard, Van Nuys, CA 91403. The cost of this trip includes soft drinks, beer, sacks, and tips. Not included are food and fish cleaning. There is a full galley aboard.

TO: DAN FELGER
4626 Van Nuys Blvd., #2
Sherman Oaks, CA 91403

I hereby commit to go on the LARRC Family Fishing Trip of September 8, 1984 as follows:

_____ Adults @ \$50 = \$ _____

_____ Children
Under 18 \$25 = \$ _____

Total Amount = \$ _____

Please Make Checks Payable To
"Los Angeles Rod & Reel Club"

PACIFICA IN TROUBLE-NO LARRCs ABOARD

Fortunately for the LARRC group that went albacore fishing on the Pacifica, the boat went aground after they had safely returned. It was the next night when something happened to spoil the next fishing trip.

ARE YOU INVOLVED OR COMMITTED?

It is possible to become involved without being committed. For example, in a plate of ham and eggs, the chicken is only involved while the hog is really committed.

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We regret to learn that Dave Steele will soon enter the hospital for minor surgery. It is hoped that his pishing ability will be thereby improved. Dave, get well quickly.

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ABOUT THE FOUNDATION FISHING TRIPS

For those who are not actively engaged in the process of planning and conducting these fishing trips for underprivileged kids it may appear to be a rather simple matter. But when the amount of kids reaches into the hundreds, comprising ten different groups from ten different areas, a great deal of time, effort and ability is needed to make it happen successfully. The last minute changes are often difficult to handle.

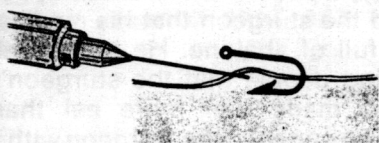
After the arrangements are completed for the children and the boat or barge is chartered, the venture is faced with the logistics of procuring and storing the food, tackle, gifts and prizes. All of which must be delivered and transported on time. And after the fun is over there are loose ends that must be attended. Bills must be paid, letters sent to thank contributors and many other chores.

Dr. Herman Epstein, who has conducted many of these trips, begins to plan the project many months in advance to line up the groups of kids and the boat or the barge. He also gets his committee organized and delegates the duties to each member. The program is really a major undertaking and the people who make it possible deserve full credit.

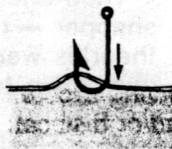
Clinical Highlights

THREE USEFUL TECHNIQUES FOR REMOVING EMBEDDED FISH HOOKS

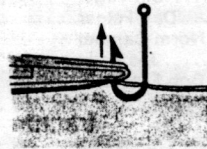
1. In an office or emergency room where anesthesia is available and the point of the fish hook is close to the skin:



Obtain local anesthesia overlying the point of the hook. Then ...



... force the point through the anesthetized skin, ...

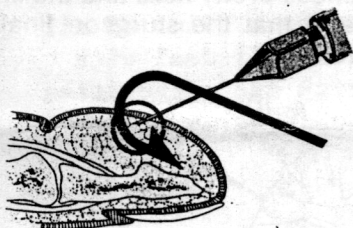


... clip off the barb, ...

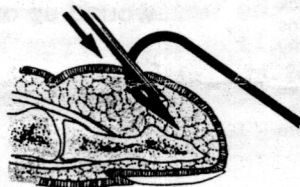


... and remove the rest of the hook by reversing the direction of entry.

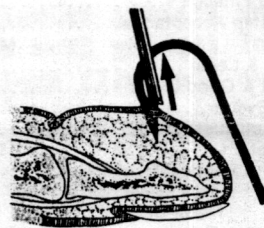
2. Another possible maneuver using anesthesia may be helpful if the hook is large and again not too deep in the skin:



After anesthetizing the area with 1% lidocaine ...

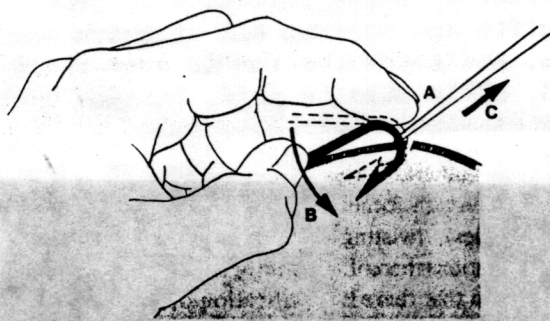


... insert a short-bevel 18-gauge needle and attempt to sheath the barb of the hook within the needle.



If this is done correctly, the hook and needle may then be backed out together.

3. When anesthesia is unavailable, or the barb of the fish hook lies too deep to force out through a second wound without significant additional damage:



Loop a piece of string around the belly of the hook and hold it down against the skin with the index finger of the left hand (A). Then depress the shaft of the hook against the skin with the middle finger and thumb of the left hand to disengage the barb from the subcutaneous tissue (B), and pull sharply on the ends of the string with the right hand (C) to remove the hook through its entry wound.



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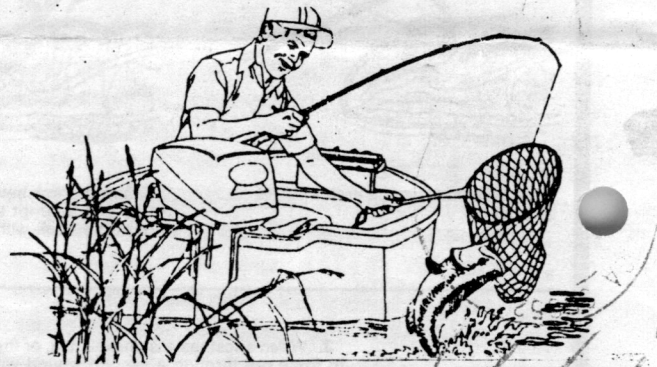
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FISH STORY

Once upon a time there was a brilliant sturgeon on the staff of the Community Health Fishility. In fact he was one of its flounders. Wiser than salmon, a fin fellow, he would never shrimp from his responsibilities. In short, he was happy and successful and always whistled a happy tuna.

Then one day, a patient — a mere whipper snapper — told the sturgeon that his medical theories were full of abalone. He trouted all over town telling people that the sturgeon's treatments had made him more eel than before. Finally, he conched the sturgeon with a malpractice suit.

The sturgeon realized he was in a real pickerel. The board demanded his oyster and chased him off the staff. But because the case smelt to high heaven, the judge finally denied the plaintiff's clam, whereupon the board tried to hire the sturgeon back. Alas, he had started hitting the bottleneck pretty hard and the end of our shad tale is that the sturgeon finally wound up on squid roe.



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