

Chum Line



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CMO'S!

We had an extremely nice meeting last week — moved up by one week to avoid an academy awards conflict — with good attendance and interest shown. Let's hope Judge Ito doesn't decide to start scheduling night court.

I'd like to thank, in particular, Randy and Pam, a new board member, for making the dinner successful with the new format. I'm sure that they would respond to any club member who thinks more changes could be made. Also Richard Lapidus, a relatively new member, and newly on the board, tried to rouse the troops to send petitions concerning the "Rigs-to-Reef" project. Thanks to those members who participated. And you should know that Garo Minassian — is he really in the Armenian mafia? — did the last *Chum Line*. He may decide to do this every third month. Garo is also a new member of LARRC and the board.

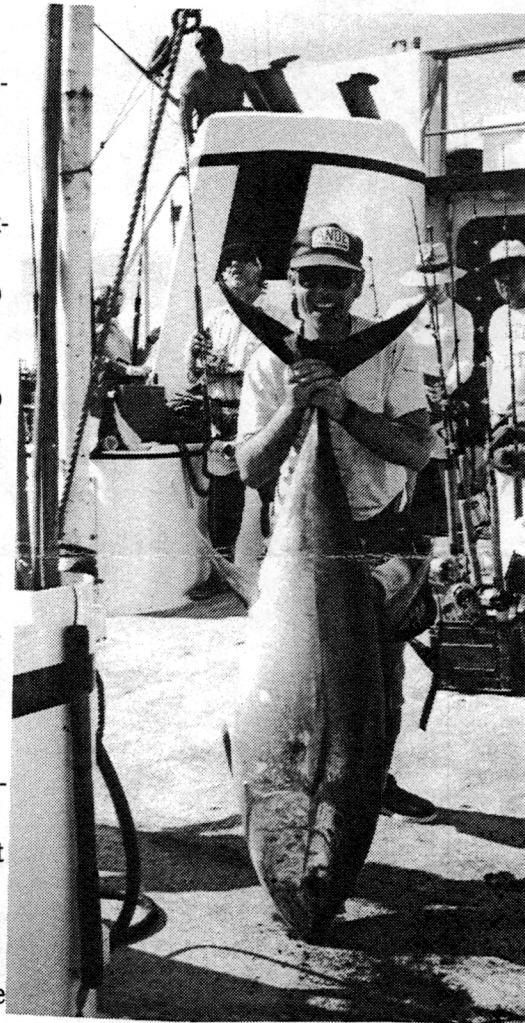
What's the point of all this? A CMO is a Club Maintenance Officer! This is the opposite of a CDO. CDO stands for Club Development Officer. Of course I'm referring to our newly appointed Board. We have an opportunity to enhance this organization and to draw the membership into activities by our example.

The nature of our club membership has changed. We added a lot of new talent to the mix. I suggest to the board, and to the membership at large, that you participate in our activities, start your own, or be a bench warmer. What we can do is only limited by our imagination. Are you a CMO or a CDO?

PS. Thanks to Dan Frumkes for his interesting Rigs-to-Reef talk.

PPS. The next guest speaker is Bill Henderson, Lure Manufacturer. Be sure to call in your reservation to the Hot Line at 818 710-7701. See you then.

—Joe Mahfet, President



Randy's "Personal Best" 135 lbs — 100lb. test

President's Message

Dirty Dozen Members Raise Their Scrawny Necks! ***re: private charters***

In line with our new policy we are hereby announcing the resurrection of some serious fishing trips aboard the "Indian." A long time fixture in earlier days, this might appeal to those members who live in the lower part of the basin and who feel that travel to Santa Barbara would be too time consuming. These trips will operate out of 22nd Street landing in San Pedro.

Dates are: April 26, May 10, May 31, June 7 and June 21.

Trips will be limited to 18 players and are open to all club members and friends.

Interested parties should call (310) 410-4468.

Bob Horowitz is the organizer and will answer any questions you might have.

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Letters to LARRC

To: *Our Resident LARRC chauvinist (H.G.)*
From: *An Ardent Admirer, Sally Vickers (Steinberg)*
Subject: *Woman. Little Danny Felger. Russia. Jaded Wit.*

Cheers to Pam Warren for serving on the board. This is just her first step. Watch out H.G. her turn as President is coming up, and then you'll never get to digress at the meetings. Harold, give the club & your wife a break. go fishing! Get a Life! Write your autobiography! It ought to be a best seller. (in Russia.)

As a matter of fact there's a Russian trawler leaving next week, with an all girl crew. We DARE you.

And to think at one time I loved your stories. Your dry wit. Your jaded philosophy. What became of Good old Goodman? The bully in you picks on Little Danny Felger (he can't help it if he was born on the rail.) But that definitely made him more Open Minded.

Give us all a break, Harold. Come fishing with us. Sometimes we're short on bait.

To: *LARRC Members*
From: *Eric*
Subject: *Charters*

At the last board meeting a good deal of time was taken up in a discussion of club — and private — charters. By private charters I mean those organized by individuals who then decide to invite their friends. The private charters are not underwritten by the club while the Wednesday trips on the Sea Hawk, as well as the 5-day deal in September, are a contract with the boat owners.

In an effort to stimulate the camaraderie among club members and get some of the newer members involved, Chum Line will publish your private agenda (charters) if you find you need bodies or want new friends. The board hopes such charters will not compete with our own. Joe Mahfet has suggested the board review this from time to time should any conflict develop as a result of the publicity given these private trips.



Membership News

LARRC Welcomes...

Alan Dunn has been elected to membership. Alan is a builder in Calabasas.

Chum line Contributors this Month....

SALLY VICKERS
RANDY SHARON
DAN FELGER

Goodwill & Cheer

by **Otto Painter**

Abe Zide is doing well and has gained back 17 lbs.

Marty Laskowitz looking more cheerful.

Dr. Harold Goodman recovering from aneurism surgery and now home.

Bob Thompson's BW Elizabeth rushed to hospital with a heart scare but now doing well.

Get well fast everybody!

To: Editor, Chum Line

From: Randy Sharon

A Truly Magical Fishing Trip

We all know what a magical feeling it is to be out on the water and holding a fishing rod in your hands. From March 3rd through March 12th, twenty-one other fishermen and I had an extra-magical experience. After a year of planning, I finally made it to the fishing grounds that I had been dreaming about for almost twenty years.

I chartered the Qualifier 105 for eight days, which left from and returned to Cabo San Lucas, Mexico. We fished the Revillagigedo Islands (specifically Roca Partida and Clarion Island), home of the greatest fishing in the world for wahoo and giant yellowfin tuna.

Although the fishing was never wide-open, we did catch our share of wahoo and yellowfin tuna up to 175 pounds:

Some of the highlights of the trip include:

- Yours truly catching and releasing a beautiful 300+ lb. blue marlin from an anchored boat, as well as catching my first yellowfin tuna over 100 lbs.
- Watching humpback whales throughout the days care for their young, breach, and play near the boat.
- Barry Taper, making remarkable recovery from his past surgery, being out on the ocean, and fighting (and catching) his share of fish including a yellowfin tuna over 100 lbs.
- Attila Kocs, making his first ever fishing trip, helping Barry whenever in need, as well as catching his first fish.
- Dan Felger, forgetting the pain that he must feel in his knees, while fighting tuna after tuna.
- Jay Lash, in charge of making sure that everyone had their share of laughter; and fighting and landing a 78 lb. yellowfin tuna on his halibut rod and 30 lb. test.
- Steve Simon, always lending a hand to anyone in need (except for the time when he caught a big yellowfin tuna in almost record time)
- Sally Vickers never giving up (and doing a heck of a job) fighting and getting spooled by a big yellowfin; tying on a back-up, only to make a "long-release" after a grueling battle.
- Gerald Steinberg expertly fighting and releasing (at color) a beautiful yellowfin tuna on his long rod.
- Getting to know Tom Polliard (who was introduced to us through Sally and Gerald). Tom is a real gentleman and a hero on the trip— he helped fix the air conditioning on the boat. Thank you Tom.
- Miro Hussenjian, looking after all on board, when not fighting big fish after big fish.
- Bernie Mayers, leading us in the "fish dance", as well as catching more than his share of chopra, needlefish, rainbow runners, and a nice yellowfin tuna.
- Dave "Pirate" Neufeld, always the first one out on the deck, and the last one to stop fishing, catching his first wahoo, as well as fighting big yellowfin after another.
- Howard Weinberger, calmly catching a 150+ lb. yellowfin tuna; and when asked "if he wants to mount the fish?," responding that he "merely wants to shake hands."
- Getting to know new member Emet Mathews, and seeing him catch a big yellowfin tuna.
- Jack Wax, tangled with Morry Yettra (who was hooked up with a screaming wahoo), running up to the bow to follow Morry's fish, while yelling obscenities to Morry along the way.
- Morry Yettra (a friend of Jack Wax, and now a friend of all of us on the trip) giving professional advice to all on board.
- Leon and Brad Friedman, who have only fished in Alaska before this trip, catching wahoo and tuna like veteran fishermen.
- Bill Vogel, catching wahoo and big tuna on 30 and 40 pound test line.
- Gabe, brother Loren, and dad Ross Martinex, who are my dearest friends, catching the biggest fish of their lives; and me being one of the first to hug them for their accomplishments.

In my thirty-plus years of fishing, I have never been on a fishing trip where I enjoyed the companionship of my fellow fishermen and crew more than I did on this trip. Everyone on board developed a closeness with all of the others that we will not soon forget. The smiles and the laughter were non-stop. The trip was one that I believe we will all remember forever.



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Looking Back at Our Club

Most social clubs, such as the LARRC, go through changes and transitions from time to time. Ours has gone through a big one. Almost 50% of the membership, a good percentage weren't even born when the Los Angeles Rod & Reel Club was formed in 1950.

Why and how was LARRC founded? Firstly, let's deal with why! "Gentlemen" angling clubs were originally formed in Southern California in the 1910's and 20's. Many of these prestigious organizations are still active today, including the Balboa Angling Club and Southern California Tuna Club. Membership was not a "gimme." Selection was based on social standing, wealth, and heritage. The last qualification was the reason for the LARRC. Returning World War II veterans were just not content to accept rejection because of religious bigotry. Thus, denied entry into the establishment, three young attorney's met in 1949 to do something about it.

The three founders were Myron Glauber, Max Fenmore and Robert Thompson. Their

main criteria was to form a fishing club that would accept members irrespective of race or religion and establish initiation fees and dues that would be affordable to almost anyone. This they certainly did. The 1950 initiation fee of \$50 and annual dues of \$9 were quite modest even then. When you consider 45 years of inflation, membership in the LARRC is still the best bargain in town.

The LARRC was up and running in early 1950, and the first meeting was held at But Otto's Steak House on 3rd Street near La Cienega in either January or February. One month shy of my 20th birthday, I joined as a junior member, in March, along with my two fishing buddies, Eddie Gordon and Alan Fond.

The format of the meetings was quite similar to today's dinner meetings. After devouring a great steak dinner (cost \$2.75), President Myron Glauber would start out with fishing reports. This invariably was frustrating to stuffy Myron, due to the antics of the club clowns, Sid Feder and Bunny Cohen. Yes, you read it correctly. Bunny, along with his side kick, Sid, were good for many laughs. Today's members are pussycats compared to those two. Fortunately, fines were only a quarter. After fishing reports, announcements and special events were given; then our guest speaker; and lastly, the raffle. If one were lucky you could win a split bamboo regulation 3/6 rod, Penn 155 reel, or a couple hundred yards of linen line. — Dan Felger

Letters to LARRC cont.

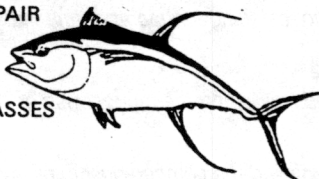
To: LARRC Members Dan Felger / Arnie Cohen
From: Anonymous Source



A West Coast First: A swordfish tagged off Hawaii by a longliner in mid-1993 was recovered by a local swordfish driftnet vessel off San Clemente Island in Southern California. The fish was at large 610 days, travelled 1,852 miles, and grew 117 cm. This was the first time a swordfish tagged near Hawaii was recovered on the West Coast. (Dave Holts, 619 546-7186 Source: NMFS)

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Laser Surgery Cures Snoring

While snoring was once believed to protect sleeping pre-historic families from night predators, today's rumblings serve only to aggravate the household. But thanks to a new minimally invasive laser surgical technique, the habitual snorer can be cured by raising and tightening the soft palate of the mouth, creating a wider airway.

"Nearly 50 percent of men and 30 percent of women snore at least occasionally," says Dan Castro, M.D., professor of head and neck surgery. "Of this group, half are estimated to be habitual snorers. Besides being an annoyance, snoring can be a risk factor for a more serious problem—sleep apnea, which is caused by a temporarily obstructed airway and may lead to high blood pressure and/or cardiac diseases," Dr. Castro notes.

The new procedure, laser-assisted uvuloplasty, has a 90 percent cure rate for snoring. In one or two 15-minute procedures, surgeons use a carbon dioxide laser to create tiny trenches on each side of the uvula, in the back of the top of the mouth.

"Creating the trench and reducing the size of the uvula raises the soft palate, which makes more room for the air to get through and eliminates snoring," Dr. Castro explains.

Source: UCLA Med Ctr. Bulletin 3/95

1995 LARRC King of the Calicos Tournament

DATE: June 7, 1995 WHERE: Sea Landing, Santa Barbara, CA

RULES, REGULATIONS & INFORMATION

BOATS — Seahawk LVX (Capt. Merit McCrea)

Charger (Capt. Rick Craddick)

COST — \$100 per fisherman (includes break fast, lunch, beverages, crew tips, gift pack and some fabulous prizes!)

DEPARTURE TIME — 4:00AM Sharp (please note)

Each participant is limited to FIVE rods. Please keep in mind there is a limit to the storage space aboard the boats.

Fishing will begin and end when the judges give the word by voice command or whistle. This rule will be enforced at all stops the boats make. Once the judges have blown the whistle for the end of fishing, no additional fish will be weighed in unless it is on the boat prior to the whistle being blown. No trolling coming up to a stop will be allowed.

Decision of the judges will be final. All fishing must be in compliance with applicable laws.

This is an "anything goes" tournament. Anglers may fish with bait, plastics or jigs. Fish scents may be used.

Only two members of each team may fish the stern area at one time. The stern area will be marked with a ribbon on the rail.

On the Seahawk, use of artificials is restricted to forward of the bait tank. On the Charger, anglers may throw plastics or jigs from anywhere on the boat. The strategy of the team captains will determine which of their team members fish on which boat.

Only calico bass count for weigh in. Catch and release is strongly recommended. A participant may keep fish in compliance with LARRC's new limit rules (seven legal-size fish).

All fish 12" or longer must be weighed in at the time of catch; fish are to be handled by crew or judges only for the purpose of

weighing and (hopefully) releasing.

The ten largest calico bass caught by each participant will be used for weighing and scoring.

There will be THREE team prizes, THREE individual prizes and FIVE raffles.

The Grand Prizes and 1995 King of the Calico's trophies will be awarded to the team with the greatest total poundage of calico bass caught and scored in accordance with the rules.

The remaining two team prizes (in order) will be second most total pounds, and third prize will go to the team that catches the most fish (even if it's a team with a poundage award).

The individual Grand Prize will be awarded to the angler with the greatest total poundage (up to the ten fish limit). Two runner-up prizes will be awarded, one to the angler who catches the largest calico and the other to the angler who catches the most legal calicos. No angler can receive more than two individual prizes.

The tournament will be limited to 30 anglers. The first 30 anglers to send the tournament chairman their checks (made payable to LARRC) will be designated players. There will be a waiting list after that.

There will also be a great raffle for tournament players. In order to encourage early sign-up for the tournament, participants will be given ONE raffle ticket for every two days they sign up beginning April 1 and ending at the May 22 club meeting. For example, a check received April 1 will provide the player with 26 raffle tickets. Late signups will be "penalized" by receiving fewer raffle tickets. The raffle will be held at the May 22 club meeting.

So there is very good reason to sign up early! Mail \$100 checks (payable to LARRC) to Bob Selvin, P.O. Box 24630, Los Angeles, CA 90024.

It Was A Very Good Year: U.S. albacore trollers caught 1,000 fish per day in the North Pacific albacore fishery in 1994, with the catch exceeding 10,000 metric tons for the first time in over a decade. Vessels traveled as far west as 173° E near the Emperor Seamounts. The good catches and large fish found west of the International Date Line encouraged fishermen; many probably will fish these areas again in the 1995 season. (Dave Holts, 619 546-7186

Source: NMFS

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Trophy Contenders as of March 22, 1995

SPECIES	LINE TEST	ANGLER	LB.	OZ.
OCEAN WATERS				
Calico Bass	N/A	Earl Warren	4	8
Tuna, Yellowfin	50	Jason Lash	78	0
Tuna, Yellowfin	50	Marty Laskowitz	165	5
Tuna, Yellowfin	50	Mark O'Brien	155	2
Tuna, Yellowfin	50	Randy Sharon	125	0
Tuna, Yellowfin	50	Bill Vogel	125	0
Tuna, Yellowfin	50	Dan Felger	108	0
Tuna, Yellowfin	50	Miro Hussenjian	105	0
Tuna, Yellowfin	80	Dan Felger	145	0
Tuna, Yellowfin	130	Howard Weinberger	155	0
Tuna, Yellowfin	130	Randy Sharon	135	0
Wahoo	16	Eric Rogger	46	2
Wahoo	50	Dave Neufeld	55	0
MEN'S RELEASED				
Marlin, Blue	130	Randy Sharon	N/A	
Tuna, Yellowfin	80	Steve Simon	N/A	
LADIE'S RELEASED				
Amberjack	30	Sally Vickers	N/A	
Tuna, Yellowfin (3)	50	Sally Vickers	N/A	

Reminder: To be eligible for a trophy a member shall have attended a minimum of three regular meetings during the calendar year. This rule does not apply to junior members or ladies.

Weight certificates must be signed by a witness to the catch and witness to the weight, other than the angler.

Weight certificates must be postmarked within 15 days of the catch, unless a written explanation is submitted to the Board of Directors for approval.

Send Weight Slips To:

Dan Felger
5530 Corbin Avenue, Suite 120
Tarzana, California 91356
FAX: 818 708-3657



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BAJA GAVIOTA FLEET

G-1	33'
G-2	28'
G-3	26'
G-4	33'
G-5	31'
G-6	36'
G-7	33'
G-8	33'

SAN DIEGO SIX PACKS

Baja Dream	60'
El Patron	65'
Patriot	65'
Manaña	50'
Fathom This	46'
Jubilee	44'
Lydia Lee	42'

CORTEZ YACHT CHARTERS

7824 Longdale Drive, Lemon Grove, CA 91945
(619) 469-4255 FAX (619) 461-9303

CORRECTION: In the newly published LARRC Yearbook the phone number at Emet Mathews' business was stated incorrectly. Please note. (213) 651-1515

Meetings

	Dinner Meetings	Board Meetings
Apr	24	17
May	22	15
Jun	26	19
Jul	31	24
Aug	28	21
Sep	18	11
Oct	30	23
Nov	27	20
Dec	Dark	11
Jan '96	29	22
Feb '96 Awards 25		12

AFTCO Day at the Lots

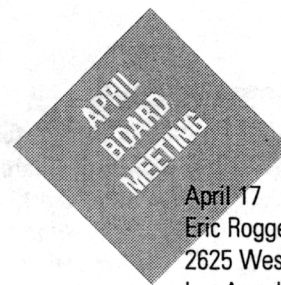
On Saturday May 6th, 9-3pm, AFTCO will have their annual sale of Blue Water Clothes and tackle show at their parking lot. Members anxious to get some beautiful fishing clothes — discontinued styles, odd sizes, etc. at great discounts, should take a trip down there. Get off at Jamboree Road and go east to Kelvin. Turn right one block and turn left. The address is 17351-B Murphy Avenue. (714) 660-8757 for details

LARRC Other Events

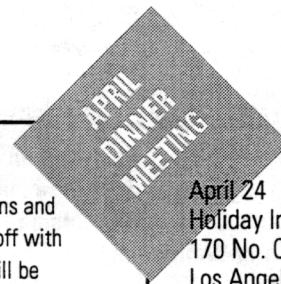
- May 6**
AFTCO Annual Parking Lot Sale & Show, Irvine
- May 13**
United Anglers Annual Banquet & Auction Balboa Bay Club
- June 7**
King of the Calico's Tournament
- July 10**
LARRC Kids' Trip Redondo Barge
- Sep9-13**
LARRC Trip — Qualifier 105

United Anglers Annual Fund Raiser and Auction

— May 13th is the date at the Balboa Bay Club in Newport Beach. Some fabulous prizes, vacations and fishing paraphernalia will be drawn for and auctioned off with silent and regular bidding. Most of your dinner tabs will be deductible. Please call Eric for further information. LARRC is anxious to fill two tables — 10 couples — in support of this environmental cause. **(310) 476-5936**



April 17
Eric Rogger's
2625 Westridge Road
Los Angeles, CA 90049
(310) 476-5936
(If you are not a board member please call Eric to tell him to set an extra plate)
Time: 6:00 pm
Meeting: 7:00 pm



April 24
Holiday Inn
170 No. Church Lane
Los Angeles, CA 90049
(310) 476-6411
Cocktails at 6:00 pm
Dinner at 7:00 pm

LARRC Charters 1995

LARRC WEDNESDAY CHARTERS ON THE SEA HAWK LXV SEA LANDING — SANTA BARBARA

4/12, 4/26, 5/10, 5/24, 6/7, 6/21, 7/12, 7/26, 8/9, 8/23, 9/13, 9/27, 10/25, 11/8-9*, 11/22, 12/6
*2-Day trip to San Miguel

- Departure Time will be at 5:00 am, from Sea Landing, Santa Barbara. However, some trips may depart earlier. These earlier departures will be at the sole discretion of the CHARTER MASTER after consultation with the Skipper.
- The trips will be planned for local surface calico bass; however, opportunities to fish for exotics, such as white sea bass and yellowtail, will take precedent. Also, several trips will be for light tackle rock fish and/or halibut at Santa Rosa or San Miguel Island. Other trips may be to Point Conception.
- Return time will usually be 4:30 - 5:00pm, but could be earlier or later depending on fishing conditions and weather, and will be determined by the Skipper.
- Bunks will be on a first come basis and cannot be reserved. However, the CHARTER MASTER may reserve two, large forward bunks for those participants who because of age or physical limitations require special consideration. If you think you qualify please let the CHARTER MASTER know.
- Loads will be limited to 16 adults or 17 people if juniors are participating. The CHARTER MASTER reserves the right to overbook by one.
- Cost: \$75.00 5:00am departure 2-day Trip — \$245 2am departure
\$95.00 2:00am departure
Junior members pay 50% (up to 2 per trip). With the uncertainty of fuel costs there may be a fare adjustment.
- Charter price includes trip, bait, soft drinks, beer, icing fish, BREAKFAST AND LUNCH. Not included are tips and fish cleaning. (Please be generous with the tips for the crew).
- 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. Your reservation, written or verbal, is your commitment to pay, even if you do not go, and your agreement to abide by club charter policies as established by the CHARTER MASTER.



**The Dinner Hot Line
number is:
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April Dinner Speaker Announced

Our speaker at the April 24th dinner meeting will be Bill Henderson, owner and operator of Big Hammer Lures. The Big Hammer Lures are one of the newest and hottest plastic lures on the market for calico bass. Bill will talk about different calico bass techniques and will share his expertise on how to improve your fishing success.

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