

Chum Line



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From the President

What is the difference between the Los Angeles Rod and Reel Club and the Los Angeles Reel Foundation? Although many of us seem to treat our club as one organization, we really have two organizations: the Los Angeles Rod and Reel Club and the Los Angeles Rod and Reel Foundation. The Los Angeles Rod and Reel Foundation is a charitable organization — the main purpose of which is to support our annual Kids' fishing Trip and other charitable and conservation-minded activities. In my opinion, the Foundation serves some of the most important functions of our organization.

Are non-board members allowed to attend board meetings for the Club and Foundation? YES. Not only are non-board members allowed to attend, they are welcomed and encouraged to attend. Attending board meetings is perhaps the best way of getting more involved in the Club and Foundation. The board meetings for the Club are held once

a month (normally the second to the last Monday of each month), dinner starts at 6:00 pm, and the meeting begins at 7:00 pm. The Foundation board meetings are held on a less frequent basis. The Chum Line lists the dates of all of these meetings. If you have any questions concerning these board meetings, please give me or one of the other directors a call.

Who was that new smiling face at the front desk taking your money at the last dinner meeting? Steve Simon has agreed to be the chairman of our dinner meetings. Steve has a tough act to follow (Pamela Warren is now in charge of merchandise). I have no doubt that with a little help from Pam, Steve will do a fine job. By the way, expect to see some new club merchandise (thanks to Pam) at the upcoming meetings.

Randy Sharon



Vignettes from the Braemar Shindig

TOP: Heavy Hitters Bill Alpert and Joel Steinman Discussing Calico Bass Techniques.

Bottom left: Tony Mindlin smiling benignly upon Dan Fink.

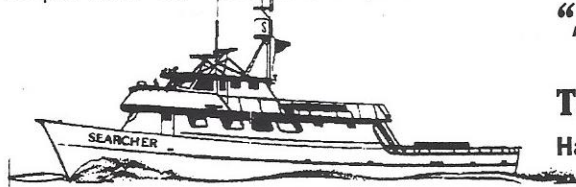
Bottom right: Sal & Louise Vallone with Sy Rimland after their third trip to the food tables.

Courtesy of Barry Fisher Studios.



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SEARCHER



Uncle Dan & United Anglers of California Need You !!

"See the World" (Back side of Catalina anyway)

THE MISSION: Capture White Sea Bass for the Carlsbad Hatchery; aboard the 95' Searcher with Captain Art Taylor.

WHEN: Leave 9:00 pm, Friday, April 26th — Return 5:00 pm, Sunday, April 28th

WHERE: (Note new departure location) Redondo Harbor, load at the hoist, far south end of the parking lot.

EXPECTATIONS: Fish squid all night; white sea bass all day

ANSWERS TO FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS:

- Yes, you can keep other fish caught incidentally, but no we won't start chasing other fish if the white sea bass are difficult. All D.F.G. laws apply.
- Yes, you can keep ONE white sea bass per day provided the fish fails to survive capture (28" size limit applies).
- Yes, you can keep fishing after landing one white sea bass.
- Yes, the D.F.G. will be on board.

BRING: Squid jigs, heavy iron, white and squid colors are good. Light tackle (12 or 15# test) for inshore; heavy (30 or 40#) for deep water fishing, jigs or drop loops. Torpedo sinkers, 2 thru 8 oz.

COST: \$166.66 p/player (that's right for a two-day trip). Includes all meals too.

DOES NOT INCLUDE: Beer, soda, fish sacks, jack pot (optional), fish cleaning or tips.

Call Dan Fink at (818) 710-0570 and book now.

Those of you that already committed, send your money now.

Be able to claim lineage to tomorrow's quality fishing

Membership News

LARRC Welcomes...

New Member Justin Warren.

Harold Price has re-enlisted — Welcome Back!

Applied for membership...

Wie C. Wong, Attorney
James M. Smith, Insurance

Chum Line Contributors this Month....

HAROLD GOODMAN
RANDY SHARON
BILL ALPERT
DAN FELGER

MIKE GROSSMAN
MARK O'BRIEN
DAN FINK

Goodwill & Cheer

Did John Klein get a keeper? YES. The Club congratulates club member/skipper of the *Qualifier 105*, John Klein, and his wife Lisa on the birth of their daughter Zoe. We wish the three of them all of the best.

LARRC congratulates Hal & Abbey Clark on the birth of their first grandchild Caitlyn Beth Jack, born 3/25/96

Harold Goodman writes:

We share the sadness of Maurice Levy at the loss of his gin rummy pal, George Burns.

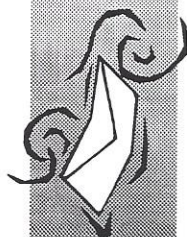
Orchids to Tony Mindlin and Dan Felger on the 1996 Year Book. Very nicely done. I expect to refer to it often.

LARRC has received the following card from Lucy Shimon:

Please accept my sincere thanks for your generous donation to the Shriners Hospital for Crippled children. This was Earl's favorite charity after LARRC — only he had been doing it a lot longer — about 25 years to be exact.

Earl was very pleased to be a member of LARRC and thought highly of its members. I know he would have appreciated your gift. — Thanks again, Lucy Shimon

(Note LARRC made this donation in lieu of flowers.)



Letters to LARRC

TO: LARRC Members
 FROM: Mark O'Brien
 SUBJECT: Giant Bluefin Off Cape Hatteras, N.C.

Eric Rogger, John Whalen (Vista, CA) and I just returned from fishing for giant bluefin off Cape Hatteras, NC, during the week of March 11. A major nor'easter, with 50 mph winds, wind-chill of 17°, and 30' waves offshore kept us in the motel for the first three days. The weather finally lightened enough that, on March 13, our chartered boat, the 57' *Citation* (Capt. Fred Parsons, tel. 919/986-2594) and two other boats ventured about 45 miles offshore. Although we located an amazing temperature break of 52/68.5°, and ran over big meter marks, we caught only smaller yellowfin, blackfin and bluefin tuna and king mackerel in the 25-50 lb. range.

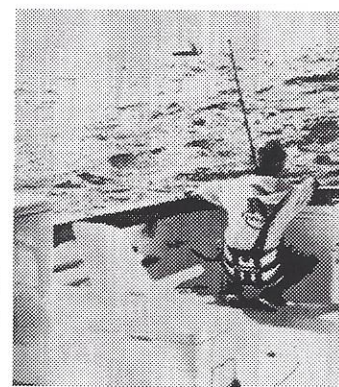
Our second day offshore, March 14, turned out to be one of the greatest days of fishing I have ever experienced. Again running to the same general area 45 miles south-east of Hatteras Inlet, the fleet of maybe 40 boats found a massive school of giants averaging over 200 lbs., with many fish exceeding 300 lbs. Eric, John and I tagged and released 14 bluefin and gaffed a "baby" of 135 lbs. to eat. (The feds closely regulate the endangered Atlantic bluefin fishery and allow each boat to keep only one tuna a day under 73 inches, or about 220 lbs.) Boats are licensed to keep one giant (over 300 lbs.) annually.

The boats chunk briefly with menhaden, then toss out a whole, dead bait armed with a 16/0 circle hook (Mustad 39960ST). To avoid harming the fish by a prolonged battle, most boats used 130-class tackle with drag settings of 100 lbs. at full. Using a bucket harness in the chair, we were able to tag 300-lb. fish in as little as four minutes. After getting accustomed to the incredible power of these fish, which instantly lift you out of the chair when they strike, we caught four on stand-up gear, using an 80ST (50 lbs. of drag at full), Fenwick 655XXH, and 100-lb. Big Game.

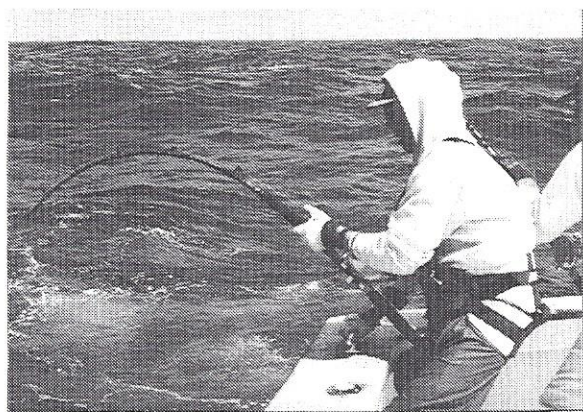
Very few of the Carolina crews had ever seen California-style stand-up gear and techniques. The other boats would back up to us, checking us out with binoculars and telephoto lenses as we fought the giants standing up. Between the extreme drag pressures and towering, closely-set swells, it was frequently tough just to remain on your feet and in the boat.

On our third day, March 15, we chartered the *Dream Girl* (Capt. Billy Baum, tel. 919/473-5157). Breaking swells up to 15' made us grateful for the boat's 56' length, flared Carolina bow, and 30-knot-plus cruising speed. We again found the bluefin, but in green, 54-degree water. The tuna were much more finicky, but John and I managed to land and release three successive double-headers up to 275 lbs. on stand-up gear. Eric nearly lost a custom rod and 80ST when a harness clip snapped under pressure. The large fish, extreme drag pressures and rough weather frequently caused equipment failures. Any knot, crimp, leader or other gear that was less than perfect would quickly pop.

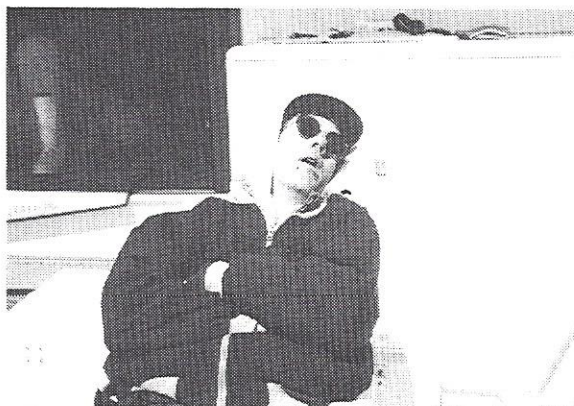
The bluefin season off Hatteras runs from January to March. Eric, John and I are already planning to return next year and wish only to have better luck with the weather.



Praying to the tuna God.



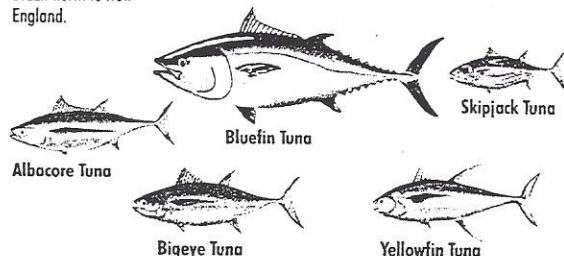
HARD WORK



Big tuna spark a new industry

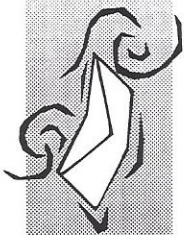
Sports fishermen from all over the world are being lured to bluefin tuna fishing off Hatteras. The big tunas make good sport because they are abundant, weigh up to 1,200 pounds and give fishermen a good fight.

	Maturity		
	AGE	LENGTH	WEIGHT
■ Habitat: Open oceanic waters. Tuna usually travel in schools near the surface.			
Bluefin Tuna	6 years	5.2 feet	300 lbs.
Yellowfin Tuna	2-3 years	38 inches	55 lbs.
■ Range: Tuna are found worldwide. In the Atlantic Ocean they are found from Brazil north to New England.			
Bigeye Tuna	3 years	37 inches, male 43 inches, female	100 lbs.
Skipjack Tuna	2 years	19-26 inches	40 lbs.
Albacore Tuna	5 years	35 inches	22 lbs.



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TO: LARRC Members
FROM: Eric Rogger
SUBJECT: UASC Annual Banquet and Auction May 18, 1996

Saturday, May 18th is the date for this annual event. Last year we filled three tables with LARRC members. Thousands of dollars (approximately \$70,000) in donated items which included fishing gear, trips, artwork etc. were auctioned off at bargain prices.

Again, we will have a great dinner with the highlight being the presentation of a conservation award to Fred Hall. Door prizes and a live auction conducted by Pete Gray and Marty Milner make for a fun evening. A special hotel rate is being offered by the Balboa Bay Club and most of us who stayed over enjoyed a huge brunch with our friends before driving home.

Tickets are \$75 per person. To obtain tickets send your checks to UASC, 16835 Algonquin St. #357, Huntington Beach, CA 92649. Call (714) 846-8259 for information. Or call Eric Rogger for info. (310) 476-5936. Two thirds of the tab is deductible due to the 501C3 status.

TO: LARRC Members
FROM: Bill Alpert
SUBJECT: The Big Shoot Out LARRC vs SFVSF

On March 10, seventeen fishermen went to war. LARRC was represented by Hal Clark, Bob Selvin, Sy Rimland, Dan Fink, Mike Grossman, Joel Zide, Tim Vowels and Bill Alpert. SFVSF fielded Dimtri Peros, Rick Estrada, Dave Oshima, George Soto, Rick Nabor, Tom Gutting, Bob Edman and Bers Hakimian. The battle ground on the *Seahawk LXV* included Naples Reef, Tajiguas and Elwood. After seven hours of intense fishing, 79 Bass were landed, 40 by LARRC and 39 by SFVSF. A scant 11 ounces separated the two teams. In spite of the valiant efforts of Hal Clark and Joel Zide the trophy went to the valley fishermen. The bite was basically anchovies. This definitely was not to the liking of the majority of both teams. Sardines and squid hardly caught the Calicos' attention. The largest bass of the day, however, was landed by Bill Alpert on a jig. Hardly a bull, this bruiser tipped the scale at 2 lbs. 10 oz. Anglers Clark and Zide totaled 8 lbs. 11 oz/each for LARRC and Tom Gutting 8 lbs. 14 oz. for SFVSF.

A great time was had by all. Wonderful weather, delicious food and the usual quality treatment by the crew of the *Sea Hawk LXV* were enjoyed by both clubs.

A special thanks goes to Brett Pauly of the Daily News for his expert officiating and clever running commentary.

TO: LARRC Members
SUBJECT: White Seabass Gear

Mark Wisch, an acknowledged expert on the subject, recommends the following:

Outfit #1:	Heavy Bait	Outfit #2	Medium Bait
Rod:	Cal Star 270-8H	Rod:	Cal Star 270-8
Reel:	Daiwa SL30	Reel:	Daiwa SL30
Line:	25# or 30#	Line:	20#

This outfit is used for fishing iron or for the largest seabass.

This outfit is used for fishing bait in deep water, near kelp or reef areas.

Outfit #3	Light Bait
Rod:	Cal Star 270-8
Reel:	Daiwa SL20 or Calcutta 400
Line:	15#

This outfit is used for daytime fishing along the beaches.

Light surface jigs: Tady 45 and C in white
Heavy jigs: Tady 4/0, TLC in white and scrambled egg.
Hooks: Eagle Claw 118 or Mustad 9174 3/0
Egg Sinkers 1/4 thru 1 oz.
Torpedo Sinkers: 2.4 & 6 oz.
Lead Heads: 1/4 to 3/4 oz. — owner style hooks.

Please note that glass rods are recommended over graphite due to the greater forgiveness of glass.

Source: This listing sent in by Bill Alpert from an article in WON.

Bluefin tuna High prices but problems ahead

By Michael Rivlin
Field Editor

On July 4, the first fish of the season for Newbury port, Mass., bluefin fisherman Joe Jancewicz turned out to be a beauty. The fish sold at auction on the Tokyo market for \$72.44/lb. One of just a half-dozen fish for sale in the sushi-starved country on a day with a record weak U.S. dollar, the 308-lb. (dressed) fish fetched \$22,311.

Although the exchange rate eventually returned to more normal levels, 1995 was still an excellent year for bluefin. The season average ex-vessel price paid by Jancewicz' buyer was \$15.49/lb., compared to \$13.65/lb. in 1994.

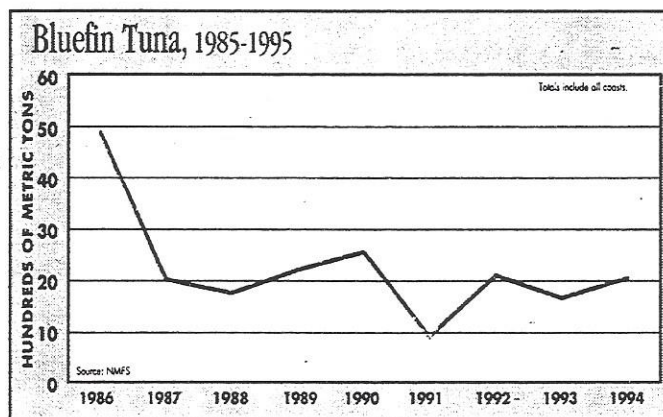
Strong 1995 prices may have also been the result of a new effort by rod-and-reelers to avoid flooding the market with fish in September and October, when the catch rate can be so high that quota often runs out before the season ends. Instead, explains Rich Ruais, executive director of the East Coast Tuna Association. Part of the fleet took voluntary days off in an attempt to apportion the quota and the fishery over the entire four-month season.

Among changes on the international scene was implementation of measures the International Commission for the Conservation of Atlantic Tunas (ICCAT) adopted in 1994 allowing the organization to recommend trade sanctions against non-member countries fishing in a manner that undermines its conservation program.

Also making waves toward the close of 1995 was the conclusion of a United Nations brokered Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks Agreement that should strengthen and reform ICCAT.

A stock assessment to be conducted by ICCAT this fall, based upon finding by NMFS and scientists from other members countries, is being monitored closely by the fleet — hopeful the estimate will be higher than 1994 determination. That assessment suggested there might be some good year classes about to come into the fishery. NMFS scientist Dr. Jerry Scott confirms that the number of 5- to 7-year-old fish is increasing.

Acknowledging a "bulge of young adults" from the 1987 year class, the National Audubon Society's Dr. Carl Safina is worried that the appearance of those fish may lead fishermen



to mistakenly assume the stock is rebounding. "When the snake passes that egg, I believe it will be skinnier than ever," warns Safina,

who predicts that following the population bump is "a near decade long hole of very, very poor year classes."

1995 saw fishermen mustering their own arguments and evidence with which they hope to sway the NMFS stock reevaluation. According to Ruais, a past "blunder" by NMFS led the agency to underestimate by a factor of two or three the size of the angling fleet, and as a result incorrectly estimated bluefin stock size. NMFS is having these estimates reviewed both inside the agency and by outside academics.

Stock assessment in hand, in November ICCAT commissioners will take an entirely different approach to formulating bluefin quotas for 1997 and beyond. In 1995, they asked ICCAT's scientific body to develop a Bluefin Recovery Plan whose scope would be broader and longer than the current two-year quota period.

Having successfully repelled efforts by NMFS to institute a 50% reduction in landings, at least for the moment, 1995 saw the intensification of a war among various bluefin gear categories quarreling over the ICCAT quota.

"When NMFS was trying to reduce our quotas, it was easy for fishermen to stick together, whether they were harpooners, handliners or trollers," observes harpooner Steve Weiner. "What I see now is everybody getting greedy, looking out for their own self-interest. If you want more tonnage then you ought to go fight to get a bigger quota. If you don't stay unified, you haven't got a prayer."

Source: *National Fisherman* 4/96

Waiting for the Salmon Run?

An announcement by the State of California Fish & Game Commission lists a number of items for their next Agenda, April 5th at Sacramento — among them—

16. Receipt of Public Testimony on proposed changed to Section 27.80, Title 14, CCR, Re: Ocean Salmon Sport Fishing Regulations. (Adoption Hearing is scheduled for April 25th, 1996 Teleconference Hearing in Sacramento).

ITEM FROM WESTERN OUTDOOR NEWS: (3/22/96)

PORTLAND ORE. — Southern California had its best-ever salmon season and the entire state had an epic year in 1995, but the euphoria has collided with disbelief as the statewide season will be likely slashed in half and the minimum size may rise from 20 inches to 24 inches.

The Pacific Fisheries Marine Council met last week to determine the fate of the salmon and salmon fishermen in the coming season and were faced with an ultimatum by the federal government — cut the ocean salmon take off the entire coast of California by 50 percent.

DEATH WARRANT FOR SALMON?

The Endangered Species Conservation Act of 1995, SB 1364, does just the opposite of what its name suggests. This is the most extreme assault ever on the Endangered Species Act and, if passed, would make it very difficult to add threatened species to the list and to protect animals and their habitat. Ramifications for endangered wild stocks of Pacific Salmon would be serious indeed.

Source: Ken Hinman, National Coalition for Marine Conservations (NCMC) 3 West Market Street Leesburg, VA 22075 (703) 777-0037.

Anyone out there who thinks this is a lot of baloney ignore it! All others may write their sentiments to (or call) their senator to vote NO on SB 1364. To reach your senator or representative call the Capitol switchboard (202) 224-3121 or write the Honorable _____ United States House of Representatives or the United States Senate, Washington, DC 20510.

Charter member, William (Bill) Stein, passed away on March 25th after a long illness. He was 72 years old. Bill was very active in the Los Angeles Rod & Reel Club throughout the '50s, '60s, '70s and in to the '80s. Unfortunately, due to his debilitating illness, not many of the present Los Angeles Rod & Reel Club members got an opportunity to know him.

Bill attended Beverly Hills High School and Stanford University. During World War II he flew many missions over Europe as co-pilot of a B-17. Co-pilot status changed in a hurry when Bill had to pilot his badly damaged bomber back to England with a mortally wounded pilot.

The family suggest remembrances be sent to OPICA at 11759 Missouri Ave., Los Angeles, CA 90025, or to Jonsson Cancer Center Foundation at 8-950 Factor Building, 10833 La Conte, Los Angeles, CA 90025.

Former Los Angeles Rod & Reel Club member, Sol Shalevets, passed away recently. Sol was a member of the Club from 1979 to 1990.

— Dan Felger

Trophy Contenders as of March 25, 1996

SPECIES	LINE TEST	ANGLER	LB.	OZ.
OCEAN WATERS				
Tuna, Yellowfin	80	Gerald Steinberg	170	0
FRESH WATER				
Bass, Peacock	12	Don Lee	13	8 *
MEN'S RELEASED				
Tuna, Bluefin (10)	130	Mark O'Brien	N/A	
LADIES				
Tuna, Yellowfin	80	Sally Vickers	139	10 *
Wahoo	30	Sally Vickers	46	8

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

The Bass are Getting Smarter

I have often wondered why it appears that fishing gets harder and harder as the years go by. There are the obvious reasons — I am getting older, my eyesight is not as good as it used to be (in spite of Dr. Bill Alpert's superb eyecare), and I am not as fast as I once was. Then there are the environmental and conservation factors such as overfishing and pollution that have taken their toll. But this phenomenon also seems to be at work in environments that are not affected by either overfishing or pollution — for example bass fishing in fresh water reservoirs where the fishing is primarily catch and release. Why does it become harder and harder to catch fish in that environment? I have also noticed what appears to be a phenomenon of fish getting "wise" to a particular artificial lure or color pattern. A lure that once caught fish quite effectively now lies unused in the bottom of the tackle box. All of this has been hunch or my observation unsubstantiated by any scientific data.

What follows is a brief article written by Brett Rowley and reproduced with his permission. Mr. Rowley has been a hatchery manager and student of fisheries for over twenty years. The implications for our Calico Bass fishery are astonishing, if the phenomenon he writes about carries over.

Catchability, or better stated, gear susceptibility is an inherited trait. This has been demonstrated in farm produced catfish and seines used to harvest them, as well as in largemouth bass produced in hatcheries and typical bass fishing gear. The work in largemouth bass was done at the Heart of the Hills hatchery in the Texas hill country. The study showed that easily caught bass produced easily caught young, and difficult to catch bass produced difficult to catch young. The terminology they used was "wary", and "not wary". At any rate, they showed that catchability can be affected by genetic selection pressure as a result of fishing.

Applying this discovery to a fishery has some interesting and troubling implications. A theoretical fishery opens and meat fishermen (and women) catch and eat their catch early on in the life of the fishery. This continues throughout the course of the fishery. In a typical Texas fishery, it is a crowded one, with many fishermen coming to take part. Quickly, the easily caught individuals are removed from the population, leaving the difficult to catch ones to produce the next generation. Of those, the fewer easily caught ones are removed as they get large enough to be of legal size. After several generations, the

fish left are still abundant enough to support a fishery, but they seem to be "not biting" very much. Selection pressure has resulted in a population of "wary" individuals.

I know for a fact that even in the presence of mostly catch and release fishing, many meat fishermen work over the population pretty effectively. I've done lots of electrofishing on public and private fisheries, and I can usually tell you what the size restrictions on fishing are by looking at the population. For instance, if a 16" minimum length limit is in effect, most of the bass in a survey will be 15 15/16" in length. A 16 1/4" fish is a rarity. Some smaller than 15 15/16" will be in the population. I've also observed that those under 16" may have several hookburns in the mouth, while the few over that size do not. Either the bigger ones are not being caught and released, or they are just not being caught.

In some instances this can be applied in reverse. That is how we manage our bass breeding scheme where I work. We take broodfish from the population by fishing for them, hopefully acquiring the "not wary" individuals. We breed them, and some may be stocked into "new" or unpopulated lakes where they grow. After a couple of years, we take broodfish from those areas by fishing for them and produce a new generation of (hopefully) easily caught bass. Our fisheries are strictly catch and release, and if fish are removed, we do so by electrofishing or seining so as not to apply the negative genetic selection pressure. We also are very careful in our breeding scheme to produce outbred strains of both northern and southern derivatives. Our goal is not to have giant bass that won't be caught except by electrofishing, but to have bass that are easily caught by our guests. Bass that are also well adapted to our environment, growing well and not susceptible to extremes of weather.

Brett Rowley
Fisheries Biologist
Great Lakes Sportfishing Resort and Koi Breeding Farm
West Columbia, Texas

Source: Mike Grossman

KUDOS ARE DUE: Garo Minassian — Thank you for your help with your quarterly handling of the *Chum Line*. Al Spievak deserves thanks for distributing our newsletter — Wendy Mahfet for her cheerful help in getting LARRC the labels.

Real Estate Loans For Reel Fisherman



Hal & Abbey Clark of Clark Financial Company
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Tony Mindlin Confesses!

The following information on two esteemed club members was inadvertently omitted from the '96 year book. Also please note Tony's fax number which you could use to congratulate him on being human.

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Alan's Occ. Builder, Consultant
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Woodland Hills, CA 91367
(818) 887-2192
FAX: (818) 887-2196

Teresa's Occ: Interior Designer
Bus: Same as Alan's

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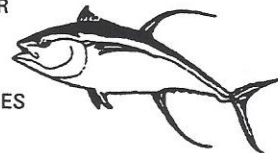
Will's Occ. DWP Conservation Rep.
*Bus: 333 S. Beaudry Ave, Ste 1745
Los Angeles, CA 90017
(213) 481-3563
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Marti's Occ: Utility Management Asst.
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Swordfish wound fatal to fisherman

HONOLULU — A fisherman died a day after being speared in the eye by a swordfish, it was reported yesterday.

The man was on a commercial fishing vessel about 250 miles southeast of Hawaii's biggest island when the freak accident occurred Wednesday. The 58-year-old man, who wasn't identified, died before he could be picked up in an emergency airlift.

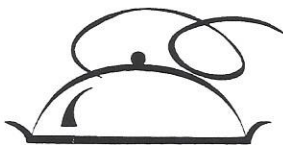
Such accidents are rare on commercial fishing boats, said fisherman Sean Martin. He said some swordfish weigh up to 2,000 pounds and became very violent when brought up against a boat.

While most swordfish caught by long-line fishing are dead by the time they are brought on board, fishermen expecting dead fish sometimes let their guard down and are caught unprepared by live fish, he said.

Source: San Diego Union Tribune, 3/17 — Via Larry Edward:

Meetings

	Dinner Meetings	Board Meetings
Apr	29	22
May	20	13
Jun	24	17
Jul	29	22
Aug	26	19
Sep	30	16
Oct	28	21
Nov	25	18
Dec	Dark	16
1997		
Jan	27	20
Feb	Dark	10



The Dinner Hot Line
number is:
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LARRC Charters 1996

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

1996 — 4/3, 4/17, 5/1, 5/15, 5/29, 6/12, 6/26, 7/10, 7/24, 8/7, 8/21, 9/4, 9/18, 10/2**, 10/16, 10/30, 11/13-14*, 12/4

*2-Day trip to San Miguel **King of the Calicos

1. 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.
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 Island. Other trips may be to Point Conception.
3. 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.
4. 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.
5. Loads will be limited to 16 adults or 17 people if juniors are participating. The CHARTER MASTER reserves the right to overbook by one.
6. Cost: \$85.00 2:00am departure; \$75.00 5:00am departure 2-day Trip — \$245
Junior members pay 50% (up to 2 per trip). With the uncertainty of fuel costs there may be a fare adjustment.
7. 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).
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. 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.

LARRC Other Events

- Apr 10-14**
Annual Hall Tackle Show
Ventura Fairgrounds
- Apr 27-28**
Special White Seabass
Charter
- May 4**
AFTCO Annual Tackle Show
and Parking Lot Sale
- May 18**
UASC Annual Dinner/Auction
Balboa Bay Club
- Jul 15**
LARRC Annual Kids' Trip
- Sept 6-11**
LARRC Club Annual 5-Day Trip
- Oct 30**
King of the Calicos



April 22
Randy Sharon's Office
14120 Victory Blvd.
Van Nuys, CA 91401
818/908-0567
As a courtesy to the hosts please RSVP if not a board member.
Time: 6:00 pm
Meeting: 7:00 pm



April 29
Holiday Inn
170 No. Church Lane
Los Angeles, CA 90049
310/476-6411
Cocktails at 6:00 pm
Dinner at 7:00 pm

April Speaker:

Our Monday, April 29th, featured speaker will be the infamous Russ Harmon. This poor individual will attempt to explain what madness led him to buy Cisco's Landing in Channel Islands Harbor, what improvements he has made, and plans for the future.

Hear tales of embittered battles with the U.S. Coast Guard, state, county and city bureaucrats, and raging storms of insurance adjusters; why bait boats radio in excuses and the tricks employed with fish counts and the trick of dropping the word grouper from salmon.

Come to understand the reasoning behind buying a 35-cent burlap sack for a dollar, then leave it behind.

With luck, perhaps he'll share with us the mystical sea chanties he mutters and show us the idols he prays to in hopes of conjuring up salmon or albacore. Then, if we behave, perhaps, he'll share with us how many beers he had drunk prior to catching the current world record California Halibut. Come hear this colorful landing operator who hasn't wet a line since he bought the landing.

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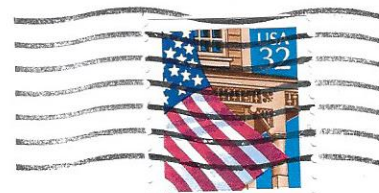
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