



MAY 1992

Chum Line



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MAY DINNER MEETING
MONDAY MAY 18 TH 1992
ANDRE'S RESTAURANT
8635 WILSHIRE BLVD. B. H.

6:00 P. M.-B. S. TIME.
7:00 P. M. DINNER IS SERVED.
TOM ROTHORY, skipper of the
Polaris Supreme will be our guest
speaker for the evening.

It was 10 years ago that we lost
one of the sweetest guys in this
world. Selig Smith passed away on
5/20/82, at 7:30 A.M. Selig wasn't
that good a fisherman but he always
had a good hello for you & a smile
on his face. R.I.P. old friend.

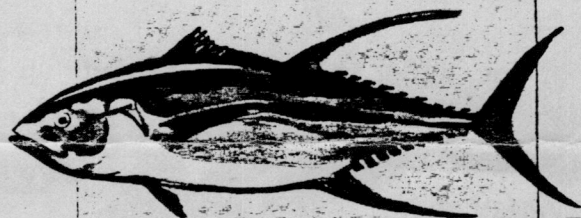
Miriam & Gus Rich are about to
celebrate their 60 th anniversary
together. They don't look 60.

SALLY VICKERS has applied for
membership. We welcome you Sally.
Welcome to LARRC is also extended
to Art Stanman who was voted to be
a member.

Make your reservations to LARRC's
Dinner meetings by calling our Hot-
Line with your order for meat, fish
or chicken. The # is (818) 710-7701.

I am glad to report that I do not
know of any member who is seriously
ill. Good, lets keep it that way.

Those of us who are members of UNITED
ANGLERS, it is time to pay your 1992
dues.



Taking on the Tuna Killers Greenpeace Asks That Loopholes be Closed

The American tuna fleet is still permitted to
cast nets on dolphins, which frequently swim
with tuna, and to kill up to 20,500 dolphins per
year under its Department of Commerce
General Permit. On February 5, Greenpeace,
the Sierra Club Legal Defense Fund, Defenders
of Wildlife and Environmental Solutions
International, filed an administrative petition to
close the loophole in the Marine Mammal
Protection Act that allows the fleet to continue
to kill dolphin.

WHAT YOU CAN DO:

Write the Secretary of Commerce,
14th Street and Constitution Aves., N.W.,
Washington, DC 20230, and demand immediate
revocation of the U.S. tuna fleet's General
Permit to kill dolphins in tuna nets.

FROM: GREENPEACE NEWSLETTER/ APRIL-JUNE

Have a great holiday with your
family but please get home safe.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

DINNER MEETING:

For those who have not been attending the dinner meetings you've been missing some great programs. Norm is doing a great job! Dr. Robin Love spoke at our May meeting. He was one of the best speakers we have ever had, and very funny too! Tony Mindlin helped us out with the slide projector, but was no match for the wit of Dr. Love...Tony maybe you should of had a couple more drinks!. Tony thanks for the help.

Guys...Dave Wende is doing a great job on the dinner reservations, but he needs your help. Every month 15 or 20 more show up that have not called in on the Hot Line. That makes it awfully hard on the kitchen at the restaurant. Please help us out use that HOT LINE!

KIDS TRIP:

The Kids Trip is creeping up on us. We need all the help we can get. Please contact Bill Adams or Joel Steinman if you can contribute.

SATURDAY CHARTERS:

Alan Manhiem needs your help. We still have several openings. Bring your kids or grandkids. Let's make the Saturday Charter a success.

ABE

Los Angeles Rod & Reel Club

1992 Kids Fishing Trip

The 1992 Kids Fishing Trip will be held on Monday, July 13, 1992, aboard the Barge "Annie B" from Ports 'O Call, San Pedro. 450 disadvantaged youngsters, most from the Los Angeles Ghettos and Barrios will be offered the time of their life. With club members acting as deckhands the kids will be taught the basics of sport fishing and fed all the hot dogs, hamburgers, snacks and drinks they can consume.

There will be two half day sessions; morning, 6:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.; afternoon, 11:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Your better half (wife or ?) is welcome if she is willing to work. Also junior members (over 16) should be encouraged. All participants will receive a shirt especially designed for the occasion.

If you are able to commit, please fill out and mail to:

William B. Adams
5530 Corbin Avenue, Suite 120
Tarzana, CA 91356

Yes, I will serve as a deckhand for the Kids Fishing Trip on July 13, 1992.

Circle One:

Name: _____
(Print)

Shirt Size S M L XL

Other: _____

Shirt Size S M L XL

Check One:

a.m. _____

p.m. _____

All day _____

Signature: _____

AMENDMENT TO BY-LAWS
OF THE
LOS ANGELES ROD & REEL CLUB

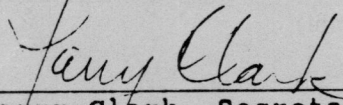
ARTICLE IV b., of the By-Laws, which previously read:

"Inactive Members: Any gentleman angler who is not a resident of Southern California and/or any active member who, because of illness finds himself unable to participate actively in the affairs of the Club, provided he requests to be placed in the class of inactive membership, subject to approval by the Board of Directors."

Is hereby amended to read:

"Inactive Members: Any gentleman angler who is not a resident of Southern California and/or any active member who, because of illness finds himself unable to participate actively in the affairs of the Club, provided he requests to be placed in the class of inactive membership, subject to approval by the Board of Directors. Inactive status shall be reviewed annually by the Board and may be continued or discontinued by Board vote. Inactive members shall pay an annual subscription fee for the Chum Line, the amount of which the Board shall determine annually, but which may be waived by the Board where hardship is demonstrated."

THE UNDERSIGNED CERTIFIES THAT THE FOREGOING AMENDMENT WAS ADOPTED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF LOS ANGELES ROD & REEL CLUB AT THEIR REGULAR MEETING OF APRIL 20, 1992.



Larry Clark, Secretary

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NEW CHARTER RULES

The LARRC Board has instituted a new rule regarding all club charters. Effective immediately, all players on a club charter will be subject to standards of good conduct and sportsmanship. The Charter Master, along with the boat Captain, have the complete discretion on where to fish and how long to fish and their determination shall not be interfered with by the players. If, in the opinion of the Charter Master, a member gets out of line he will be given a warning. If, after one warning, a player continues to be out of line, he can be prohibited from joining a future charter by the Charter Master.



Los Angeles Rod & Reel Club Foundation

A Non-profit Corporation

THE STORY BEHIND THE LOS ANGELES ROD & REEL CLUB ANNUAL KIDS' TRIP

Since its inception in 1950, members of the LARRC have believed that sportfishing is a form of wholesome recreation and a worthwhile activity for kids in the Southern California area. LARRC members have, therefore, committed themselves to taking underprivileged youths on a fishing trip, thereby giving something back to the community of which the members are a part.

On Monday, July 13, 1992, the Los Angeles Rod and Reel Club will hold its 43rd annual Kids' Fishing Trip. For the second year in a row, we will take fishing over 400 underprivileged boys and girls. In addition, we will provide them with an abundance of hamburgers, hot dogs, sodas and gifts. For many of the youths, this will be both their first fishing experience and their first experience on the ocean.

The disadvantaged youths we invited are from throughout the Southern California area. They belong to such organizations as the McKinley Home for Boys, Echo Park Boys' and Girls' Club, Masonic Home, Boys' and Girls' Club of Santa Clarita Valley, Boys' and Girls' Club of San Fernando Valley, Boys' and Girls' Club of Hollywood, Optimist Boys' Home Transitional Treatment Program, Vista Del Mar Child Care Services, Watts Willowbrook Boys' and Girls' Club, Salesian Boys' and Girls' Club of Los Angeles and the Pacific Lodge Boys Home. Also, we will again take kids who previously went on a similar outing sponsored by the Los Angeles County Fish and Game Commission.

In addition to the counselors accompanying the groups, we hope that at least 90 members of the Los Angeles Rod and Reel Club will volunteer to serve as deck hands. On board deck hands will actively participate in teaching the basics of sportfishing, untangling lines, unhooking and sacking fish and preparing and serving food and drinks. We also need volunteers to work before and after the event on such things as repairing and assembling the tackle; obtaining, storing and transporting the food, drinks and gifts; cleaning, disassembling and storing the tackle and securing donations to help fund the trip. As was the case last year, all of the deck hands will receive a "classy" t-shirt identifying them as people who generously donated their time and services for this trip. If you wish to volunteer, please call Bill Adams at (818) 708-3278.

Funds for the Kids' Trip are provided by the LARRC Foundation, a non-profit charitable organization. The Foundation also provides money for marine research, artificial reefs, university scholarships and other ocean related projects, all of which are intended to enhance the Southern California marine environment. The Foundation raises its funds from members of the LARRC and from individuals and organizations outside the club. If you or someone you know would like to make a tax deductible contribution to the Foundation, please send the contribution, payable to the Los Angeles Rod and Reel Club Foundation, directly to Phil Bardack. Phil's address is 16633 Ventura Blvd, Suite 510, Encino, CA 91436. If you or someone you know would like to donate food, gifts or tackle, please contact Bill Adams.

To: Members LARRC
From: Eric Rogger, Conservation Matters

Subject: AB 51 and AB 2343. The NCMC Abundent Ocean Plan!
**PLEASE READ THIS CAREFULLY, IT IS ONE OF THE MOST IMPORTANT
BILLS TO COME BEFORE THE LEGISLATURE SINCE PROP. 132 WAS PASSED!**

You have all heard of the "Abundant Oceans Plan" which has been just introduced into the California Legislature. This plan is authored by Assemblymen Gerald Felando, Jim Costa, Gil Ferguson, Bill Filante, Dan Hauser, Ted Lempert and Tom Mays. Senators Frank Hill, Milton Marks, Dan McCorquodale, Bob Beverly, Art Torres co-signed the bill.

Bill Beebe, the Western Outdoor News Writer, noted that the authors consider this bill, a combination of AB 51 and AB 2343, a landmark of model legislation. It seeks to take authority from the California Fish and Game Commission and vest it in a council consisting of nine members.

This council of nine would be appointed by the Governor and administered by DFG Director. Assemblyman Felando noted that financing of this bill would be decided later (?). The council would consist of 'qualified' men chosen by the Director of Fish & Game. Two each persons would come from the commercial and recreational fishing interests. One each from the commercial passenger boat interest, marine biology, one from the public, one environmentalist and finally a consumer!

The bill came as a surprise to all and no other interested parties had prior notice. This included United Anglers lobbyist, John Beutler as well as Al Taucher of the Fish and Game commission.

The whole plan is to be based on a MSY program (maximum sustainable yield) such as is used off the Northwest Coast in Federal Waters. Allocations are to be made by the council to determine how much fish may be taken by the various interested groups.

There you have the National Coalition for Marine Conservation plan!

PLEASE THINK THIS THROUGH GUYS! Russ Izor said it earlier "How can we arrive at a maximum sustainable yield when there is no way to measure the resource?" Do the fish not migrate across political boundaries? Where is the money coming from to do this study? Felando says to worry about the money later! Will we see new increases in our licenses and those of the sports boat?

How can we trust the appointments of a Director who may owe the fishing interests some favors? The bill notes only that "allocations" be fair but this is a vague concept.

Dan Frumkes, a biologist, notes that most species of fish, for which records are kept are already BELOW the MSY - maximum sustainable yield.....

POSTPONED TO MAY 12th

A hearing is scheduled on this ~~April 28th~~....Stand by!
THIS IS AN ACTION ALERT AND WE MAY NEED YOU TO WRITE LETTERS AND OR MAKE PHONE CALLS. CALL ME IF YOU CAN GIVE A COUPLE OF HOURS!

Eric Rogger (310) 476-5936

SEA SHEPHERD NABS ILLEGAL U.S. TUNA BOAT

The Sea Shepherd Patrol of the Eastern Tropical Pacific (ETP) ended on March 17 with the arrival of both our ships in Los Angeles harbor.

The *Sea Shepherd II* and the *Edward Abbey* completed a long voyage from Key West, Florida as part of our campaign to investigate Mexican tuna boats in the ETP.

The Eastern Tropical Pacific is a large expanse of ocean and although we covered thousands of square miles of off-shore waters, we were unsuccessful in finding any Mexican vessels in operation.

However, on March 5, our ships did discover an American registered vessel engaged in the practice of setting nets on dolphins.

The Captain of the *Bold Adventuress* out of San Diego began to run from us. This was the opportunity that we had been waiting for.

In the past, the tuna boats had always been able to outrun the *Sea Shepherd II*. This time, we had the *Edward Abbey*. It very soon became painfully obvious to the tuna boat skipper that he could not escape from us. The top speed of eighteen knots was far below the top speed of our new high speed patrol boat.

The tuna boat immediately denied that they were setting on dolphins. However, the evidence was plain to see. The ship carried a helicopter and six dolphin chase boats.

The *Edward Abbey* stayed with the tuna boat for 18 hours waiting for it to make an attempt to fish on dolphins. Finally, unable to continue fishing because of our tail, the U.S. boat headed towards Mexico.

We reported our discovery of the U.S. vessel on our return to the proper authorities. It appears that U.S. tuna boats are continuing to fish on dolphins and that they are working in close cooperation with Mexican fisheries to off-load their illicit catch.

We are continuing our investigations.

INCIDENTAL DRIFT NET KILLS

Incidental Kill Figures for four percent of North Pacific Drift Net Squid Fishery, 1989. Observations made by observers onboard Japanese ships. Observers employed by U.S. National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA).

Species	Observed Kill	Estimated Overall Kill
Pomfret (fish)	1,433,466	35,836,650
Albacore Tuna	59,060	1,476,000
Blue Sharks	58,100	1,452,500
Yellowtail Tuna	10,495	262,375
Shearwaters	8,536	213,400
Dolphins	914	22,850
Albatross	539	13,475
Porpoises	141	3,525
Salmon	79	1,975
Fur Seals	52	1,300
Puffins	25	625
Sea Turtles	22	550
Storm Petrels	17	425
Individual Deaths	1,571,316	39,229,000
Fish	1,561,200	39,030,000
Birds	9,117	227,925
Marine Mammals	1,107	27,675
Turtles	22	550

Figures not available for target squid mortality.

Figures do not include incidental kill for drift net fleets that target salmon.

Figures do not reflect kills by Taiwanese and Korean vessels.

SEA GREEN

Cruising World magazine and other experts on motion sickness suggest doing the following to help prevent and treat the ailment:

- Take preventative medication before any trip if prone to seasickness. Most remedies do not work once the symptoms have occurred.
- Avoid enclosed or confined areas once the symptoms have begun. Get out on deck and focus on a stationary object.
- Avoid the bow or stern area of a boat. The middle of any vessel seems to be where people feel movement the least.
- Do not sit or lie inert. Instead, ride the waves by sitting upright and allowing trunk and neck muscles to keep your head and upper body balanced over your hips as the boat moves.
- Pace yourself if forced to work below deck or in an any enclosed area. Take a break every few minutes.
- Avoid alcohol. It can make you dizzier with every movement.
- Try to force down small amounts of food. Repeated vomiting causes the body to lose necessary fluids, glucose and electrolytes that must be replenished.
- Consult a doctor about possible side effects of motion-sickness drugs.

April 10, 1992

To: Members LARRC
From: Eric Rogger
Subject: AB 2924

Assemblyman Dan Hauser, R-Santa Rosa has introduced this bill on which hearings were supposed to have been held by the Fish & Game Dept. April 2nd, at San Pedro.

AB 2924 deals with the issuance of PERMANENT licenses for the long line mako shark fishery. The past four or five years have seen such licenses issued on an "experimental" basis. The fishery, has seen such pressure that in '91 the "experimental" program limited to 175,000 lbs. of take, resulted in only four boats taking no more than 10,000 ea. The Hauser bill calls for 200,000 lbs a year. Makes sense?

The F & G Commission hearings scheduled for San Pedro have been re-scheduled to take place at Bakersfield on May 14th. I guess they thought they would face too much opposition from local opponents of this bill.

Many of us don't fish shark regularly but it is a mainstay of many private boaters. Also, the sharks, like it or not, has an important part in the food chain and ocean ecology. Finally, such open ended issuance of permits would set a dangerous precedent. We must oppose this at all costs!

United Anglers will let local legislators know about this boondogle by a legislator from Northern California.

United Anglers is chartering a bus to go to Bakersfield and those of you interested in helping the protest can call Bill Shedd at AFTCO (714) 660-7857 and leave your daytime phone. The date is May 14th.

Mr. Otto Painter
Editor
Chum Line

Dear Mr. Painter,

I am Student Government Representative for Ms. Lessing's fifth grade class at Fairburn Elementary School and I am writing you on behalf of my class. Mr. Zide asked us to write his President's Message this year and Ms. Lessing let us do it because she thought it would be a good exercise.

We have worked very hard on our assignments. Even though we had to use smaller words than usual to make our President's Messages sound more like Mr. Zide wrote them, we are still proud of our work. Ms. Lessing says that our essays are well written, stick to the point and spelled correctly. Because of these things, we do not understand how come our writing was confused with Harold Goodman's. It hurt our feelings and we hope you will not allow that sort of thing to be printed again.

Thank you,

J. Didion

April 20, 1992

To: Otto Painter, Editor Emeritus
From: Eric Rogger
Subject: Los tres barcaderos viajar hacer Loreto....

This is a fishing report, of sorts! After long periods of nagging, Marvin Smith persuaded me to join him and Alan Mannheim to travel to Loreto during the first week of April. I had never gone panga fishing and this was to be the height of the season for los pescados con colas camarillos.

So off we went some late afternoon with all our gear, something like four rods apiece etc. etc. and were met by a very efficient lady name Rosa who arranged for our transfer and luggage to the hotel. Since we arrived late there was no chance to order the customary box lunch but we had prepared for this and brought food for the first day. (Good thing too the jefe had gotten us some burritors -for breakfast?) Allan brought salami por cuatro dias.

We met our guide Roberto. No back rests, no shade, no TV. Its before sunrise and we make for the bait boat. Sold out! What a bummer. We then left for Isla Coronado where we made about six baits in two hours and then joined the fleet at Isla Carmen, the local hot spot. There were about 30 other boats with lots of fat gringos anxious for some action. Allan hooked up first with an 8oz lead sinker and a makeral and got his jollies cranking up a 15 to 20lb yellowtail. This was all the action for a while and so we nodded off when Allan got another fish while flat on his back across one of the seats. This turned out to be the only action for all three of us during three days. Panga fishing, without a back rest, unreliable outboard, and exposed to the elements is not going to be my favorite type of fishing. Besides if I want to go bottom fishing for yellowtail I can easily do this without incurring Montezcuma's revenge for ten days after I got home.

The return trip took two hours, it should have taken one! The ocean was so rough that the wind blew the tops of the white caps into the boat. We had some serious reservations about trying this again since during the morning hours the outboard kept conking out. Here we are in the middle of the Cortez about to deprive the LARRC of three of its most supportive members.

I was never so glad to see the Hotel Pinta in my life. Being good troopers we tried again the next two days, got up earlier to get the bait boat before they sold out, got another outboard but not much better...the only thing good...the wind eased up. We walked the town of Loreto and ate at Cesars. This was o.k. until I learned that Pres. Bush had eaten at our table and I almost did some of that Bushuru! The metropolis left much to be desired. I made up my mind that if I want to go bottom fishing for Yellow Tail I should have more comforts. I polled Marv and he agress but since Allan caught ALL the fish he may want to go back.

MOTOR SAILING FROM PEURTO VALLARTA TO LAPAZ

BY LEO PEARLSTON

I flew to Peurto Vallarta on April 3 rd & met my Son Mel, who has been sailing in the area since Jan on his Tri-Maran which he calles Surrender. It is a 50 by 25 ft beam & sleeps 12. A beautiful lounge and a large galley area. He has every safety feature you would ever need, 3 heads + 2 showers.

After checking through customs, took a cab to the Marina, got my gear in place, & waited for the tide to come in so we could get through the jetty. At about 5 p.m. we shoved off & headed for LaPaz approximately 400 miles away. After sailing the night & part of the day, we pulled into Isabela Isle about 80 miles N. W. of Peurto Vallarta & near Tres Marias Isle, the prison colony for the area.

After dinner & a good nights sleep we had breakfast & headed for Punta Los Frailes which is about 50 miles north of Cabo. As we approached the entrance to the Sea of Cortez, being about half way between Cabo & Mazatlan, we put out a jig line, within 30 minutes we had a strike & pulled in 12 lb Dorado. No sooner dropped the jig in the water again we had a strike again, a 15 lb yellow-fin tuna. Total catch, 1 Dorado, 4 yellowfins.

After running under motor & sails for about 35 hours we arrived at Frailes point about 2 a.m. On the morning of the 2 nd day we anchorerd & hit the sack. About 9 a.m. we pulled anchor & took off for Bahia D Los Muetes about 50 miles west of LaPaz, spent the day, then took off for Pt. San Lorenzo, & continued on to Peurto Ballandro which is 10 miles East of LaPaz, a beautiful anchorage off the beach, A good snorkel & swimming area. We anchored for a day & then took off for LaPaz. We arrived in the harbor about noon.

After spending a very enjoyable 8 days motoring & sailing with my Son, I took off that night for home.

Leo Pearlston

P.S. About 30 years ago Mel built a beautiful boat called the "MELODY". Leo invited Sam Stone, Al Perlin & myself to go Albacore fishing. We killed them or they killed us.

The boat was built for Frankie Laine & what a boat she was. Mel was a great host & showed us a royal time. In those days Leo must have owned some land because he was a great farmer.

Otto

This is the first article that Past President Leo Pearlston has written for the Chum-Line in 40 years & it is a good one. I hope that Ethyle is feeling fine & regards to Mel.

Disappearing Salmon Prompts Restrictions

■ **Fishing:** Officials shorten Northern California sports and commercial seasons.

By VIRGINIA ELLIS
TIMES STAFF WRITER

SACRAMENTO—With California's once-abundant salmon fishery facing potential collapse, state fish and game officials have joined the federal government in imposing extraordinary restrictions on sport and commercial salmon harvesting along the North Coast.

In a move expected to have severe economic repercussions for California's \$4-billion recreational fishing industry, the State Fish and Game Commission has voted unanimously to curtail ocean sport salmon fishing from water's edge to three miles offshore. At the same time, Department Director Boyd Gibbons has taken similar administrative action to limit commercial fishing in the same area.

Both decisions mirrored action by the Pacific Fishery Management Council earlier this month to impose unprecedented restrictions for the 1992 season on commercial and sports salmon fishing along the entire coasts of California, Oregon and Washington. The federal action, which still must be endorsed by U.S. Secretary of Commerce Barbara Hackman Franklin, affects fishing from three miles to 200 miles offshore.

"This salmon season will probably be the last for a number of people in the industry," said John Beuttler, executive director of United Anglers of California. "We will probably see the ripple effect of this all the way down to Ventura."

But of most concern to fishermen, Beuttler said, are the conditions in the fishery that made the action necessary.

"At this point I hope California is getting the message that one of its treasures is becoming extinct," Beuttler said.

The new fishing restrictions

were recommended by state regulators after marine biologists reported alarming declines in the salmon population brought on by six years of drought, water diversions from the rivers of Northern California and "less than optimum survival conditions" in the Pacific Ocean.

Of particular worry to both federal and state officials were conditions in the Klamath River, where Chinook salmon come to spawn in the early fall. Officials said at a minimum 35,000 fish need to spawn this fall so future production is adequate.

Even with fishing being curtailed, Fish and Game marine biologist Alan Baracco said projections now are that only 27,000 salmon will return to the river to lay eggs.

For an area stretching roughly from San Francisco Bay to the Mexican border, salmon fishing regulations this year will be nearly the same as last year. The season will run from Feb. 29 to Nov. 1, and fisherman will have a salmon bag limit of two per day. However, Beuttler predicted conditions in the fishery make it likely that Southern California anglers will find few fish to catch.

In contrast, in Northern California from Humboldt Bay to the Oregon border, salmon fishing season will not start until July 6 and will end Sept. 7. Even worse news for the weekend angler, salmon fishing will be allowed only Monday through Wednesday of each week, and the day bag limit will be one fish. In normal years, the fishing season for this area would have run from Memorial Day through Labor Day, with seven-day-a-week fishing and a two-fish-per-day bag limit.

From San Francisco Bay north through Shelter Cove, the season will run the same as the Southern California season—February through Nov. 1—but for a 29-day period in mid-summer no salmon fishing will be allowed at all. The fishing ban will extend from June 1-29.

These Hapless Fish Are Fast Food Before They're Out of the Water

By CARRIE DOLAN

Staff Reporter of THE WALL STREET JOURNAL

VACAVILLE, Calif.—Marshall Sayegh knows it can be frustrating trying to catch a sturgeon, one of the biggest fish in California waters.

"Many have fished for the elusive fish for years without success," he says. "Now success is virtually guaranteed."

Mr. Sayegh recently opened Fishin' Buddy's Bay, a place designed for people who don't have the patience, or the stomach, for fishing in the wild. Here, clients simply select a sturgeon; the staff straps a harness on the fish; the harness is connected to a line on the customer's pole; the fish is released into a half-acre concrete pond. "The more macho guys have the opportunity to experience the thrill of sturgeon wrestling, without having the barbaric vision of hooks in the mouth," Mr. Sayegh says. (One can, however, choose to use a hook and wait for a bite.)

"I like fishing," says Linda LeBard, who recently landed a 14.9-pound sturgeon for \$93.12. "I just don't like taking [fish] off the hook. They're so . . . slimy."

There are other advantages. Along with sturgeon, the four-foot-deep pond, formerly a bumper-boat pool, contains locally hatched trout and catfish. Tables, umbrellas, chairs and flowers sit on the blue carpet that surrounds the pond. A computer program measures the "bite factor," or how many fish are in the water; their number can be adjusted, depending on how long a person wants to wait for a nibble.

"The whole fun of fishing is reeling it in, not waiting around," says Shelli Ellis, of Sacramento, casting on a recent day. "I'd rather fish on the river, but it takes so long." On a previous visit, her husband, Randy, caught five fish in 10 minutes at Buddy's Bay, at a cost of \$21.

Some say the main challenge is to the wallet. "The only thing that would limit you here is your budget," says Ray Howell, who brought his sons to help them "build tolerance" for more rugged fishing. Picking up a bucket, he says "we've had all the fun we can afford." Though his four-year-old was thrilled to catch a pair of trout, another son found the pond "too boring," after having caught a 43-pound halibut in Alaska when he was seven.

Not everyone is hooked on the concept. "It's ridiculous," says Ron Grant, president of North Bay Sturgeon Anglers. "A sportsman isn't going to put a harness on one, just to say he got a sturgeon. . . . That's like filling a pheasant full of lead balls so it can't fly, then stepping on it, and saying 'I got a pheasant.'"

1992 TROPHY CONTENDERS AS OF APRIL 30, 1992

SPECIES	LINE TEST	ANGLER	LB	OZ
LOCAL WATERS				
HALIBUT	30	MAX WUNDERMAN	22	8*
FOREIGN WATERS				
BONEFISH	4	OTTO PAINTER	10	5*
BONEFISH	12	NORMAN SCHINDLER	10	0*
MARLIN, STRIPED	20	LAD RUBAUM	170	0
MARLIN, STRIPED	30	BARRY TAPER	128	8
MARLIN, STRIPED	30	LAD RUBAUM	122	0
PERMIT	8	OTTO PAINTER	11	12*
SALMON, KING	16	EARL WARREN	16	2*
STEELHEAD	12	EARL WARREN	11	2
STURGEON	30	MAURY GOLDFARB	50	4
TARPON	20	OTTO PAINTER	71	0*
TUNA, YELLOWFIN	80	ERIC ROGGER	334	8*
TUNA, YELLOWFIN	80	LARRY CLARK	122	5
TUNA, YELLOWFIN	130	JIM MARSHALL	271	10*
WAHOO	20	LAD RUBAUM	82	0
WAHOO	30	LAD RUBAUM	65	0*
YELLOWTAIL	50	JOEL STEINMAN	30	0

MEN'S RELEASED

MARLIN, STRIPED	30	BARRY TAPER	N/A
STURGEON	30	NAT MERIN	N/A

JUNIOR

YELLOWTAIL	50	ROBIN STEINMAN	30	0
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FIRST GAME FISH OF THE YEAR

STILL AT LARGE

*Club Record

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 a 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.

1992 Wednesday Seahawk Charters

Jun/3-17
Oct/14-28

Jul/1-15-29
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Aug/12-19
Dec/1&2*-16

Sep/16-30

* 2 day trips to San Miguel

Charter Data and Policies

1. Departure Time will be 5:00 a.m. from Sea Landing, Santa Barbara. However, some trips may depart as early as 12:00 a.m. These earlier departures will be at the sole discretion of the CHARTER MASTER after consultation with the skipper.
 2. Generally speaking 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 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 - 5:00 p.m., but could be earlier or later depending on fishing conditions and weather, and will be determined by skipper and CHARTER MASTER.
 4. Two days prior to the scheduled charter the six (6) outside bunks and the double bunk will be assigned by the CHARTER MASTER to those seven (7) individuals who committed to the charter the earliest.
 5. The boat will be available for boarding after 9:00 p.m., or after 11:00 p.m. when the Seahawk is on a twilight trip.
 6. Reservations are restricted to club members and their guests up to 30 days prior to trip date. Then they will be open for nonmember participation.
 7. Loads will be limited to 14 adults or 15 people if juniors are participating.
 8. Cost: \$ 70.00 5:00 a.m. departure 2 Day Trips - \$235 2 a.m. departure
 \$ 90.00 2:00 a.m. departure (All meals included)
- Junior members pay 50% (up to 2 per trip). With the uncertainty of fuel costs there may be a fare adjustment.
9. Soft drinks and beer are included. The galley will not be open--Be sure to bring your own food.
 10. Reservations should be made through Dan Felger at his business, 5530 Corbin Avenue, Suite 120, Tarzana, California 91356, (818) 708-3278. 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.

Dan Felger
Charter Master

WEIGHT SLIPS ARE TO BE SENT TO:

Dan Felger
5530 Corbin Avenue, Suite 120
Tarzana, CA 91356



Los Angeles Rod & Reel Club

April 13, 1992

Mr. Thomas Gwynn, Chairman
California Coastal Commission
43 Fremont Street #2000
San Francisco, CA 91405-2219

Dear Mr. Gwynn:

I am writing on behalf of some 140 members of the Los Angeles Rod & Reel Club.

We are asking that you give favorable consideration to the proposal seeking to establish a major fish hatchery in the Carlsbad area.

It is our understanding that the monies for this hatchery will originate with the operator of the San Onofre Nuclear Generating Plant. You are no doubt aware that there have been significant declines in our coastal fisheries, both sport and commercial, and that in particular the white sea bass have been impacted. Last year less than 2000 were caught off California.

It may be that in the future the only fish caught will be those raised through some form of aquaculture. United Anglers and Hubbs Seaworld Institute have been active in such a program but this new facility would give them an adequate capacity which they do not now have.

Thank you for your interest,

Eric Rogger, Environmental Issues
Los Angeles Rod & Reel Club

If there are any of you out there who have rods & reels that you are not using anymore & do not know what to do with them I wish you would give a thought to putting them to good use. I have many kids in my area who I have been taken care of for years. They now have their own club & go fishing whenever their fathers can take them. I have taught them to wrap rods & I help them fix conventional & spinning reels. These kids are from 6 to 14, boy & girls & every denomination. It's a mitzva.

United Anglers of Southern California

April 10, 1992

Dear Friends:

This is your special invitation to attend our Fund Raising Banquet and Auction on Saturday, May 16, 1992 at the Balboa Bay Club in Newport Beach.

Place: The Balboa Bay Club
1221 West Coast Hwy. (PCH), Newport Beach
Time: Cocktails at 6:00 P.M./Dinner at 7:00 P.M.

The primary objective of this event is to raise money to help us re-establish the white seabass fishery in southern California. This is an exciting project, and we are sure that you will want to join us in our efforts to raise enough money to make this dream come true.

Our dinner committee has obtained some great items to be given away as door and raffle prizes and also additional items that you will have an opportunity to purchase during the auction. (Fishing equipment, fishing and vacation trips, bait tanks, gold jewelry, art, etc.)

Joey Bishop will be our master of ceremonies, and Boyd Gibbons, our new Director of the California Department of Fish and Game is planning to attend. Other invited guests include UASC member Jim Everett (Rams quarterback), and members of the state assembly and senate who have worked closely with us on issues affecting southern California fisheries.

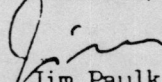
Tickets are \$50 per person* and include not only dinner and wine but a special raffle ticket for a great prize - you do not have to be present to win.

This will be an exciting, humorous evening, and best of all, you can help us achieve our most important goal for 1992.

For information, call 714/891-5055. For tickets, mail checks payable to UASC to:

7755 Center Ave., Suite #800
Huntington Beach, CA. 92647

Sincerely,


Jim Paulk
Director

* Not tax deductible due to our political activities.

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DIRTY DOZEN DIARY

Like I said I'm going to keep you up with the doings of the Dirty Dozen. The trip on April 15th was pretty scratchy. We started out for Clemente but turned back to Catalina because of wind and waves and were looking at Avalon when the light came up. I got a couple of keeper calicos but it was slow for the rest of the gang so we moved over to in front of the quarry where I got another but the others weren't doing so good so we moved again. Didn't matter to me 'cause I'll pick up fish anywheres. On the next stop I went over to where Schwartz was feeding line into the water and looking grim. I said, "How you doing, Hank?" He looked at me but didn't answer. I looked up his bag number and checked. The bag was empty. I said, "Would you like me to fish next to you for a while so you can watch?" No answer. I dropped in next to him anyways and got a nice fat calico and said it looked like I was well on the way to a limit. Being sensitive to his feelings I asked how come he wasn't catching any fish and would he like me to pull him out of the weeds so the deck hands didn't have to do it again? He was probably getting embarrassed having to call for help so often. Deck hands tend to look down on inept people who go fishing. He didn't even look at me but backed up and signaled to a deck hand who sighed and came over and did the job. I said, "Let me look at your terminal tackle, Hank. Aha! I'd suggest you use a half ounce sliding sinker whose bulge tends to overhang the hook point and, therefore, pushes the seaweed aside causing it to avoid the hook tip as you reel in. You must also develop a fine feel for when the fish has taken the bait and before he starts a run for the kelp. So be prepared to set the hook and start reeling rapidly with a steady turn. Do not pump as it is unnecessary. Calicos aren't strong or heavy enough to break your line." Again he didn't answer and I wondered if he hadn't taken out his ear plugs when he left the sack. I glanced over without seeming to and he didn't have ear plugs in. Maybe he wasn't in the mood to talk so I just went about getting two more calicos. I told him that I was going to go in for a sandwich and beer even though it was only ten o'clock and I didn't want to get my limit too early. I checked his bag after eating and it was still empty. Wanting to cheer him up I said, "Don't worry, Hank, it looks like the morning bite is over but it may pick up before we head back in. Even I don't have my limit yet. I'll promise you this, Hank. I'll put fish in your bag right after I get number ten." Just to keep him company I perched on the rail next to him and hummed a little tune not even trying to fish since it was obvious they were taking a siesta. I suggested he take a little nap or have a bite to eat. I could tell he didn't want to talk so it was up to me to make conversation. I said, "If you get a fish on, hold your rod tip way up high and make him swim upwards. The kelp leaf turns up off the stalk and, keeping the fish's head up reduces the surface area onto which your hook is likely to fasten. Often it's the fish and not the hook which stops the return. Then you have a chance to back him out. I like to put on three or four feet of slack, tighten up again then jerk the rod up and down hard several times. This stuns the fish, disorients him, and he may back out in confusion. That's your chance to bring him in. It takes a little practice, Hank, but you'll thank me after you've done it successfully a few times." Silence. "I like to lip-hook my fish in case it turns out undersized." Silence. "Does no good to return a fatally wounded undersized fish." Silence. "But, if you bump him too hard you can lose a lip-hooked fish." He brought in his line and banked the rod against the rail and stared at me for a long, long time so I went over to chat with some of the other guys.

Dirty Dozen Reporter

Go try to be nice to people.

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