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What's On My Mind?

by John Ballotti



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No, not the strike delayed action series, but the fact that this is my 24th and final message to you as President of the Los Angeles

Rod & Reel Club!

It is hard for me to believe that 2 years have passed since I became President. No one can do this job alone. I would like to thank the club officers, board members, committee chairs, charter masters, volunteers and members for helping me. The club will be in good hands as **Chas Schoemaker** takes over at the Annual Banquet later this

month. I hope you will attend. The Annual Banquet is a time for fellowship and fun. We will install the officers and directors for 2008 as well as honor the 2007 fishing trophy winners. A very important segment of the Annual Banquet is the Foundation's silent and live auctions. This is the major Foundation fundraiser and its' results will greatly influence what the Foundation will be able to accomplish in the coming year. There will be some great items to bid or be bought.

I hope you have enjoyed these messages. I am sure you have not agreed with everything that I wrote. If the messages made you think and perhaps act, then I accomplished my mission.

John Ballotti ■

About Our Future Club Meeting Dinner Menus...

Dinner Chair Mike Godfrey announced that he had negotiated for new selections since a number of members had expressed dissatisfaction with certain menu listings. It now includes:

- Fresh Talapia with veracruz sauce, Chicken Piccata, Traditional Pot Roast and Penne Pasta.
- There is no dinner meeting in February!

Please record these contacts for the future:

Reservations Hotline (818)808-4909
email: larrcdinnersvp@yahoo.com

restaurant, hotels, stores etc. One unique live auction item will be a FISHING KAYAK PACKAGE (see pg 4). You might also put together a basket for the auction!

Thanks for your help...Contact Jack Genero or email: jmgenero@aol.com for additional information or pick up.

The Woodland Hills Country Club is easily accessed—Take the 101 freeway and exit at DeSoto. Proceed south across Ventura Blvd., DeSoto becomes Serrenia Ave., to Dumetz Road. Turn west (right) and look for WHCC sign! **ANNUAL AWARDS BANQUET AUCTION AND BRUNCH SUNDAY FEBRUARY 24TH, 2008**

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Annual Awards Banquet, Auction and Brunch: Sunday, February 24th, 2008

By this time I am sure you've received your invitations. Be sure to RSVP early. Please remember to invite your family and friends. We will have plenty of room at our new location. The Foundation will be holding the silent auction in the same room with a talented pianist who will take requests!! There will be a slide presentation of events, which took place in 2007.

A delicious brunch buffet will be served with some treats for the kids.

LARRC's own

Mel Stein will entertain us with his magic tricks. Be there!

We have collected some exciting auction items—but can still use your help in additional donations. You can help by getting gift certificates from your favorite



Meet New Board Member **ARNIE STEIN!**

Arnjie left the Bronx at age 15 to travel to Los Angeles where he's been a resident ever since. He started fishing on the east coast for flounder,



Arnie with a respectable pacific halibut (103 lbs.) which was caught off Craig, Alaska.

fluke and blue fish at age seven and has been fortunate to fish many of the rivers and oceans of the world since.

After a two-year stint in the military he worked in the Heating, Ventilating and Air conditioning industry (HVAC) and as a contractor for thirty years. He retired to enjoy more time with wife Joan, five children and eight grandchildren. His many hobbies include the enjoyment of food and wine (his collection includes 3,000 bottles) traveling the world, playing bridge and of course, fishing with many old and new friends.

Welcome to the Board! ■

Annual Trout Derby at Hansen Dam



Trout derby organizer **Steve Simon** has scheduled the next event for Special Needs Kids for April 4th at Hansen Dam. The event is now known as the Louis Berke Trout Derby honoring this new foundation benefactor. It takes place at the Lake View Terrace venue from 7:30-2:00 p.m., Paul Varenchik and his trusty food wagon will be on hand for breakfast and lunch. Please make your plans now to help out for this most worthy cause. **For further information call Steve Simon at (818) 980-7470. ■**

When Scopolamine May not be Advisable

One of the benefits of being a mature fisherman is having an enlarged prostate. Now we are advised that certain anti-seasickness medications may aggravate your problems. Urinary retention, potentially serious, may occur.

The writer wrote of an incident on the *Excel*, during a trip to Guadalupe. A passenger found himself in extreme discomfort until a catheter was found and a fisherman/doctor was called into action.

It is suggested that you not "borrow" such medications while on a trip and rather rely on the advice of your physician if you're prone to mal-de-mer. This article was excerpted from the magazine *Western Outdoors* (12/07). ■

OFFICIAL CLUB CHARTERS

These trips are private charters and have been contracted for by LARRC. Therefore the club is committed for the full price of the charter. If you sign up you will be responsible for the full price of the trip in the event that you cancel and a replacement is not available. LARRC members will be responsible for the conduct and the financial obligations of their guests.

7-Day Skiff Trip aboard the Q105

June 14-21

Cost \$2200—limited load of 18

Contact: Chartermaster is John Ballotti (310) 618-2004

john.Ballotti@mattel.com

A \$600 deposit will hold your spot. \$600 due 9/15/07 and \$500 each due on 12/15/07 and 3/15/08

5-Day Tuna Trip aboard the Q105

July 19-24 Only 4 spaces left...Book NOW!

Cost \$2195—Includes Mexican Permits and substantial (\$600)

Jackpots. A \$500 deposit will hold your spot. \$500 due 12/1/07, \$500 due 3/1/08. Final payment of \$695 due 6/1/08.

For details and availability contact Chartermaster Dave Levinson (818) 785-1776 or email dajplevin@roadrunner.com.

Pacific Dawn Weekend Charters 2008: OXNARD-Capt. Hook's Sportfishing

**1 Day, Overnight
Fishing Sat. Mar. 15, Sat. Apr. 12,
Mon. May 5, and Sat. Nov. 1**

1-Departure: Trips Depart 9-10 pm night prior to fishing.

2-Return: Approximately 7 p.m.

3-Cost: \$170 (includes estimated fuel surcharge)

4-Not Included: Fish Cleaning, Food & Drinks, Tips (15%) Fishing License and additional fuel surcharge if required.

5-Limited Load: 16

6-Deposit: 100% payment required to reserve spot.

7-Call or email to confirm if spots are available.

8-Checks: Payable to "LARRC". Send to: Jim Carlisle at 7128 Seawind Drive, Long Beach, CA 90803.

NOTE:

2007 PARTICIPANTS WILL HAVE FIRST CHOICE ON THESE TRIPS. Chartermasters have the right to overbook by 1. Not included on these trips are drinks, filleting, fuel surcharge if necessary, Mexican permits. Departures are usually by noon but CM will notify in case of early departure. Checks should be made out to LARRC and sent to CM. Important! Fishing in Mexican waters in 2008 will require a valid passport.

SAN DIEGO-Fisherman's Landing

**1½-Day Fishing
Sunday, August 24**

1-Departure: Leaves Saturday night 8/23 at 9 p.m.

2-Return: Monday a.m. 8/25 at 6 a.m.

3-Cost: \$420 (Includes Mexican Permits, estimated fuel surcharge.)

4-Not included: Fish Cleaning, Food & Drinks, Tips (15%)

Fishing Licenses and additional fuel surcharge if required.

5-Limited Load: 16

6-Deposit: \$210 required to serve spot. Balance \$195 due 7/15.

7-Call or email to confirm if spots are available.

8-Checks: Payable to LARRC. Send to: Jim Carlisle at 7128

Seawind Drive, Long Beach, CA 90803

More Info: Jim Carlisle (562)598-0940 (H), (310)332-9770 (W)

Email jamesnc@earthlink.net (H) james Carlisle@ngc.com (W)

Jan Howard (949) 837-1431 saltwaterwoman@cox.net

Pacific Dawn Additional Trip Announced OXNARD-Capt. Hook's

Two Days, Fishing Mon. June 2-3

1-Departure: Sunday Night—Approx. 10 p.m.

2>Returns: Tues. June 3rd—Approx 6 p.m.

3-Cost: \$350, includes all meals but not a possible small fuel charge

4-Not included: beverages, fish cleaning or tips

5-Limited load: 16

6-Checks: payable to LARRC and send to Bob Selvin or give him check at next meeting or mail to 10820 Holman Ave. #301 LA 90024, (310) 474-4143 email: calicobob1010@aol.com



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Live LARRC Foundation Auction Features Kayak

This Kayak will be offered at the Sunday, February 24 Banquet/Auction. Model is called the "Ocean Kayak Scupper Pro" This package includes

- Tank-Well Model
- 2 Forward Rod Holders
- Canon Carbon Paddle and Leash
- Hummingbird Fish Finder and Battery
- Crack of Dawn Apex Seat
- Seatback Gear Bag with 2 Rod Holders
- Transport Wheels
- other specs: 14.5 ft length, weighs 55 lbs., holds up to 250 lbs and is nearly new. Owner offers a free kayaking lesson. ■

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NEW LARRC ONE DAY TRIPS ON 8-pak CHARTER BOAT ANNOUNCED

To fill the need for one-day trips during the week, the club has chartered the fast eight-pak ULTRA, which has made a huge name for itself in just a short time both for comfort, speed and fish catching since being completely refurbished in 2004. Several Club Members, knowing the Ultra reputation, have already indicated great interest in fishing on the Ultra, which has eight roomy bunks.

As longtime members know, LARRC "cut its teeth" on overnight charters, fishing San Clemente Island and, of course, Catalina as well. In recent years, very few club charters have fished those waters, as most trips departed out of Oxnard. All trips will be targeting the great yellowtail and

white seabass fishing most of us have missed the last couple of years. The Ultra has been on top of the white seabass bite every year. For more information on the Ultra, go to: www.ultrasportfishing.com

All trips depart out of Newport Landing..for directions call (949)675-0550 or mapquest Newport Landing, 309 Palm Street, Balboa, CA 92661. I'm speculating that mileage-wise, Newport Landing in Balboa might be a shorter trip or about the same compared to Oxnard for many club members.

CHARTERMASTER: Bob Selvin. Please bring Bob a check to a board or club meeting or mail to: 10820 Holman Ave. #301 Los Angeles, CA 90024.

ULTRA TRIP #1

1- LEAVES:

Sunday night, July 13 (10 p.m.?)

2- RETURNS: *Monday night, July 14*

3- LIMITED LOAD: *8 anglers*

4- COST: *\$210. Does not include food, beverages, fish cleaning or tip.)*

5- GALLEY: *Galley has basics on board*

6- BUNKS: *First come first serve*

ULTRA TRIP #2

1- LEAVES:

Monday night, Aug. 11 (10 p.m.?)

2- RETURNS: *Tuesday night, Aug. 12*

3- LIMITED LOAD: *8 anglers*

4- COST: *\$210. Does not include food, beverages, fish cleaning or tip*

5- GALLEY: *Galley has basics on board*

6- BUNKS: *First come first serve*

ULTRA TRIP #3 (fall)

1- LEAVES:

Monday night, Oct. 6 (10 p.m.?)

2- RETURNS: *Tuesday night, Oct. 7*

3- LIMITED LOAD: *8 anglers*

4- COST: *\$210. Does not include food, beverages, fish cleaning or tip*

6- BUNKS: *Galley on board has basics*

6- Bunks: *First come first serve*



**HAPPY 100th BIRTHDAY,
BERNARD!**

The January 28 Dinner Meeting featured a visit by LARRC's most senior and prized member. Bernard Mayers celebrated his 100th birthday this January and was presented with an appreciative plaque by Steve Simon.

2007 TROPHY WINNERS

SPECIES	LINE TEST	ANGLER	LB.OZ.	SPECIES	LINE TEST	ANGLER	LB.OZ.
MEN'S OCEAN WATER				WOMEN'S			
Albacore	16	Barry Cohen	27 0	Albacore	25	Jan Howard	31 2
Albacore	30	Barry Cohen	29 0	Bass, Largemouth	6	Robin Hunter	1 6
Albacore	40	Donald Culbertson	40 6	Bass, Largemouth	6	Robin Hunter	Released
Barracuda	10	Larry Martinez	8 5 *	Bass, Sand	15	Robin Hunter	2 6
Bass, Calico	4	John Ballotti	3 13 *	Salmon, Coho	20	Pamela Warren	9 10 *
Bass, Calico	8	Joel Steinman	7 3 *	Salmon, King	20	Pamela Warren	17 0
Bass, Calico	30	John Ballotti	7 9	Yellowtail	30	Jan Howard	31 4
Bonefish	12	Dan Williams	1 0	JUNIOR MEMBERS			
Bonito	30	Bob Selvin	12 11 *	Albacore	25	Sophia Perriseau	42 6
Grouper	40	Paul Varenchik	35 0	Albacore	30	Hannah Ballew	25 0
Halibut	4	John Ballotti	6 4 *	Albacore	30	Noah Hauptman	24 0
Halibut	6	John Ballotti	10 4	Barracuda	15	Olivia Sharon	7 0
Halibut	25	Al Scow	32 6 *	Bass, Calico	12	Miles Rosberg	1 8
Halibut, Pacific	80	John Ballotti	135 0	Bass, Calico	12	Dominique Perriseau	4 8
Ling Cod	40	Randy Sharon	16 0	Bass, Largemouth	5	Samantha Hunter	1 6
Perch, Rubberlip	15	Steve Simon	2 7 *	Bass, Largemouth	6	Ian Sharon	2 10
Salmon, Coho	25	Michael Dickter	7 0 *	Bass, Largemouth	8	Olivia Sharon	2 5
Salmon, King	25	Al Scow	37 0	Bass, Largemouth	8	Miles Rosberg	2 2
Salmon, Pink	25	Michael Dickter	5 2 *	Bass, Largemouth	8	Holden Rosberg	2 0
Sargo	2	Dan Williams	1 0 *	Bass, Largemouth	12	Anthony Scherpenborg	2 3 *
Seabass, White	30	Joel Steinman	16 0	Bass, Sand	15	Harrison Hunter	5 9
Shark, Mako	80	Steve Ex	82 6 *	Bass, Sand	15	Samantha Hunter	2 6
Shark, Thresher	80	Joshua Burnham	211 0 *	Bass, Sand	15	Amanda Chamberlain	1 5
sheephead	20	Michael Feinberg	14 7 *	Bass, Sand	20	Holden Rosberg	5 3
sheephead	25	Paul Varenchik	14 0 *	Bass, Sand	20	Robbie Stein	2 7
sheephead	30	Scott Schiffman	12 6	Bass, Sand	20	Gianna DiGuiseppe	2 5
Tuna, Bluefin	25	Charles Schoemaker	39 6	Bass, Sand	20	Jenny Stein	1 8
Tuna, Yellowfin	40	Bill Vogel	62 6	Bass, Spotted Bay	6	Anthony Williams	1 8 *
Yellow Eye Cod	100	Al Scow	22 0 *	Bass, Striped	4	Arthur Schiffman	4 7
Yellowtail	20	Randy Sharon	27 0	Catfish, Channel	2	Arthur Schiffman	1 12
Yellowtail	25	Charles Schoemaker	29 3	Catfish, Channel	6	Arthur Schiffman	20 0
Yellowtail	30	Scott Schiffman	50 0	Corbina	6	Anthony Williams	4 8 *
Yellowtail	40	Larry Martinez	36 0	Croaker, Spotfin	6	Marco Uribe	2 8 *
Wahoo	40	Bill Vogel	55 4	Croaker, Yellowfin	6	Anthony Williams	1 0 *
Wahoo	50	Jim Carlisle	52 0	Halibut, Northern	80	Mitchel Weinstock	55 0
Wahoo	60	Dennis Saylor	60 0 *	Halibut Pacific	30	Arthur Schiffman	5 0
FLY ROD				Ling Cod	15	Olivia Sharon	Released
Bass, Peacock	40	Don Lee	2 9 *	Ling Cod	20	Miles Rosberg	Released
Whitefish, Lake	4	Jim Carlisle	4 8	Ling Cod	20	Dominique Perriseau	11 4
FRESH WATER				Ling Cod	80	Mitchel Weinstock	40 0
Bass, Large Mouth	2	Jason Fleck	4 1 *	Perch, Black	6	Jack Uribe	2 8
Bass, Large Mouth	6	Joel Steinman	3 1 *	Salmon, King	25	Mitchel Weinstock	23 0
Bass, Large Mouth	8	Andy MacDonald	3 8	sheephead	25	Dominique Perriseau	17 7 *
Bass, Large Mouth	12	Jason Fleck	6 6 *	Whitefish	30	Christian Hernandez	6 7
Bass, Peacock	65	Don Lee	8 3 *	Yellow Eye	80	Mitchel Weinstock	20 0
Bass, Striped	4	Scott Schiffman	4 6	Yellowtail	30	Arthur Schiffman	36 0
Pike, Northern	20	Al Scow	18 0 *	* New Club Record			
Trout, Lake	6	Ben Susman	30 8 *	FIRST GAME FISH OF THE YEAR—Joel Steinman			
Trout, Lake	16	Al Scow	40 0 *	May 16, 2007—White Seabass, 16 lbs.			
				FIRST ALBACORE OF THE YEAR—Barry Cohn			
				June 30, 2007—27.0 lbs.			

Speaking of Cows (Cash and Otherwise)

A rare column by Pete Thomas, in the LATimes (1/4) reports that California has 1.5 million anglers and 274,000 hunters. They spend \$3.6 billion a year, support 35,000 jobs and generate \$452 million in state and local taxes. California ranks third behind Texas (1) and Florida (2).

The current long range tuna season could go down as one of the most successful San Diego based tuna catches in recent history. The fleet scored 268 cows - over 200 lbs. and 15 weighed more than 300 lbs. One fish weighed in at 359 lbs. ■

GER STEINBERG GOES COW FISHING



He fished on a January trip aboard the *EXCEL* and was off Toussaint Bank. This nice fish was caught using 100-lb. flouro with Spectra as the main line. It weighed in at 190 lbs. Ger's largest ever tuna was 305 lbs. and he's caught many others over 200 lbs. **Way to go!** ■



CALENDAR

DINNER HOTLINE
(818) 808-4909
USE IT!

Dinner Meetings

No Dinner Meeting

Next: March 24

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

THE VALLEY INN
4557 Sherman Oaks Avenue, Sherman Oaks

Board Meetings

February 17

Next: March 17

All Club members are welcome to attend. Please RSVP to Chas Schoemaker at 818/300-0311 at least two days prior to meeting and confirm if you are having dinner.

Dinner: 6:00 pm • Meeting: 7:00 pm
THE VALLEY INN
4557 Sherman Oaks Avenue, Sherman Oaks

Other Events

February 24, 2008

Annual Banquet and Foundation Fundraiser
Woodland Hills Country Club.

March 5-9

Annual Fred Hall Show, Long Beach

March 26-30

Annual Fred Hall Show, Del Mar

April 4

LARRC Foundation's Louis K. Berke Annual Trout Derby Hansen Dam

July 7

Annual Kids' Trip-Details to follow

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Marine Mentors' Trips-Details to follow

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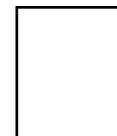
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