

**The 65th Annual  
Dan Felger Awards Banquet  
and Foundation Auction  
Sunday, February 28, 2016  
at the Braemar Country Club  
4001 Reseda Blvd, Tarzana**

The Foundation will be auctioning some fantastic prizes.

Make sure to RSVP!

Check your emails for announcements.

**WINNERS NEED NOT BE PRESENT**

All proceeds are used to support  
the Annual Kids' Trip and Marine Mentors' Trips.

**PLEASE NOTE - THERE IS NO  
DINNER MEETING THIS MONTH**

# Fabulous Raffle Prizes

## Back by popular demand. . .

This year at our annual club banquet and Foundation fundraiser on Sunday, February 28, 2016, we will again have an amazing raffle with 5 prizes with a retail value close to \$5,000. In addition to **3 premium reels**, there is an **Apple iPad Air 16GB**, AND a **Go Pro Hero 4 Camera with Pole**. All funds raised by this raffle go towards the Foundation's programs of taking economically disadvantaged, at risk, and special needs children fishing, as well as in support of education, habitat restoration, and other worthy projects that benefit recreational fishing, students and the environment.



Avet JX / Seeker SSR6650



Avet MXL / Seeker SS980



iPad Air



Avet SX6/4 / Seeker SS980



GoPro Hero 4 Camera with Pole



# WHAT'S ON MY MIND

By John Ballotti

## 2016 65th Annual Dan Felger Awards Banquet

It is that time of year again. By now you should have received your invitation to the 65th Annual Dan Felger Awards banquet and Foundation Fundraiser on Sunday, February 28th, at the Braemar Country Club. I hope you have already responded indicating that you will attend the premier club event of the year. At the awards banquet we will be introducing the 2016 club officers, directors, and foundation trustees. In addition, the LARRC special award winners and 2015 fishing trophy winners will be recognized. However, this event is more than about awards. It is also the primary fundraising event for the LARRC foundation. Proceeds from the event fund our kids fishing trips throughout the year. If you have never attended one of our annual awards banquets, I urge you to attend this one. Bring the whole family. You will not be disappointed.

With the annual banquet comes the end of my term as your president. As all past presidents know, this is not a one-man job. I would like to thank all who have helped me make it through the year. The club is in great shape. I am leaving it in the capable hands of Donald Goldsobel who will lead the club to even greater accomplishments. Please continue to give him the outstanding support and encouragement you have shown me. See you at the banquet!

*Fred Hall Show*  
*March 2-6, 2016*

**The Los Angeles Rod and Reel Club will have a booth again!**

**Our plan is to have a slideshow playing so people can see all the stuff we do! If you have any pictures or videos you would like to share at the Fred Hall Show, send them to me at [fishnsoph@gmail.com](mailto:fishnsoph@gmail.com)**

## Pacific Fisheries Management Meeting

The December Chum Line (page 14) carried the report on the November 13th meeting of the Pacific Fisheries Management Council meeting, held in Garden Grove.

Representing the sportsfishing community in general, and LARRC in particular, were Mike Godfrey, Joe Mahfet and Steve Simon. Also shown are Theresa Gabriola, the West Coast fisheries director for wild oceans and Wayne Kotow of CCA. Eric Rogger was camera shy!

The main topic was our opposition to remaining gill net fisheries.



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# LARRC BOOTH AT FRED HALL SHOW

## WE NEED VOLUNTEERS TO STAFF THE BOOTH

### FREE ADMISSION

This year we will again have a LARRC booth representing both the club and foundation. We will be selling raffle tickets and publicizing our organizations. **We need volunteers** to staff the booth on Saturday and Sunday, March 5 and 6. The Saturday shifts are from 9:30 am - 2:00 pm, 1:30 - 6:00 pm and 5:30 - 8:30. Sunday shifts are 9:30 am - 1:00 pm, 12:30 - 4:30 and 4:00 till 7:00.

**Our volunteers will be admitted to the show FREE.  
You may take time to shop and visit the entire exhibit.**

This year the show is a total sellout of exhibition spaces.  
This the biggest show of its kind ever!

**Your club and the foundation need your help.**  
We can always use extra staff during the week.

**CALL, TEXT, or EMAIL  
DONALD GOLDSOBEL  
818-970-4578 (Cell)  
818-348-1772 (Home)  
donald@dgoldsobel.com**

## *Fred Hall Show*

March 2-6, 2016  
Long Beach Convention &  
Entertainment Center  
300 E. Ocean Blvd.  
Long Beach, CA 90802

# 11TH ANNUAL LOU BERKE TROUT DERBY

Friday, April 8, 2016

*How would you like to get a FREE  
breakfast AND lunch?*



*All it takes is a little work for  
a whole lot of fun!*

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!**  
**12th Annual Lou Berke Trout Derby**  
**Friday, April 8, 2016**  
**7:30am - 2:00pm**  
**Hansen Dam Aquatic Center**  
**Lakeview Terrace**

*Friends and family are welcome - you don't have to fish to attend.  
We need volunteers to check in students, prepare food, serve food,  
and help with the students.*

***Breakfast and lunch will be available for all volunteers***

*For further information - please contact Steve Simon -  
818-469-7651 • [simonmurphy08@sbcglobal.net](mailto:simonmurphy08@sbcglobal.net)*



## ENVIRONMENTAL NEWS

### IN CASE YOU HAVE NOT HEARD... ENVIRO NEWS!



Those were the good old days! A returning long range boat docked at Fisherman's Landing in San Diego.

We never had it so good! 2015 will go down as one of the most unusual fishing seasons in memory. Sports fishermen experienced a bunch of pelagics including a total of 256 Wahoo caught north of the Mexican border according to Sportfishingreport.com. The dock master at Marina Del Rey Sportfishing, Michael Franklin, 56, noted that this had been the best year of his career with lots of yellowtail and even marlin in Santa Monica bay.

This dynamic northward movement of warmer waters, the result of our current El Nino period, certainly helped California's fishing industry which generates about \$1.8 billion dollars a year. We figured you should have the good news first.

**Reported by Channel NewsAsia:** A Japanese sushi boss paid \$117,000 for a giant blue-fin tuna in Tokyo's Tsukiji fish market. Although this was not the highest ever paid for a bluefin in Japan, moves are on to save this endangered species. Japan, the largest consumer of bluefin tuna, is facing growing calls for a reduction in their consumption of the fish. The Pew Charitable Trust's director of Global Tuna Conservation noted that these fish are at 4% of unfished levels. Sportfishing for bluefin this season means two per day with a max of 3 days.

San Diego's commercial tuna fleet of 37 boats may be denied fishing rights in a large part of the Pacific. Boat owners had pledged \$67 million for 5,700 days of fishing.

Some of the boat operators have balked at this and asked to have this reduced to 3700 fishing days. This because of a bad season last year. The Solomon Islands based Pacific Islands Fisheries Agency – an international body – insists payments are due although the current treaty may bankrupt the American fleet and jeopardize thousands of related jobs. The State Department has been asked to intervene.

This past December, Time magazine carried an article that the FDA has approved the sale of genetically altered salmon. Currently there are no regulations that require salmon for sale to be labeled as such. They will be bred in land based tanks in Canada and Panama. Acquabounty's salmon (the developer) will not be carried by major retailers such as Costco, Whole Foods, Safeway, Trader Joe's etc. at this point.

Speaking of salmon, in order to save California's endangered salmon runs we now have a team, out of a lab in Santa Cruz, using the latest procedures attempting to produce salmon genetically.

If you are interested in doing something on behalf of our fishing environment please contact Eric Rogger. ([wstridge@aol.com](mailto:wstridge@aol.com)) Thanks!!!

## Health and Happiness

Linda Simon is our contact for "Health and Happiness" - please contact Linda either by phone (818-980-7470) or email ([simonmurphy08@sbcglobal.net](mailto:simonmurphy08@sbcglobal.net)) for any information about our club members/ family - i.e., happy or sad news; health issues; graduation or congratulations, etc.



On February 2 at the request of LARRC president-elect Donald Goldsobel there was a meeting of past presidents of the club to discuss long range planning for future of the club. We believe this photograph shows the most LARRC presidents together in one place at one time.

*Pictured left to right are: Top Row: Mike Godfrey, Barry Cohn, Paul Varenchik, Chas Schoemaker. Middle Row: Bob Selvin, Joel Steinman, Scott Schiffman. Front Row: Michael Grossman, John Ballotti, Donald Goldsobel, Joe Mahfet.*

### Los Angeles Rod & Reel Club Foundation

#### Tribute Opportunity

Tribute Cards are available when you want to send your thoughts or feelings for –

- Anniversary
- Appreciation
- Baby Announcement
- Bar/Bat Mitzvahs
- Best Wishes
- Congratulations
- Graduation
- Illness
- In Memorandum
- New Home

Your LARRC Foundation is a charitable organization. Donations may be deducted.

Tributes will be posted in the Chum Line. Tribute cards will be sent to recipient.

Information Request and Donations may be addressed to:

Mrs. Tammy Steinman  
5826 Ostrom Avenue  
Encino, CA 91316  
818-987-2645  
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*Incoming President, Donald Goldsobel ready for his term.*

### MEMBERSHIP NEWS

Gary Honjio a retired college instructor and coach living in Valley Village has applied for membership.

To the Members and Family of  
LARRC

It is with a heavy heart and profound sadness that I must tell you that Frank Polak passed away the first week of February. Frank joined LARRC in 1993. Serving terms as President of the Club and Chairman of the Foundation, Frank left an indelible mark on everyone. His enthusiasm and dedication to the youth of Los Angeles had no bounds. He was first to lend a hand and last to leave a venue. I will forever remember Frank for his sage advice, wit, and insistence that there are fish east of Pacific Coast Highway.

## First Game Fish of 2016!



**WEATHER WINDOW WHITE SEABASS -**  
Cathy Needleman of the LA Rod and Reel Club scored first game fish and the first white seabass of the year honors last week while fishing out of Dana Wharf Sportsfishing with Brandon Hayward of [onemancharters.com](http://onemancharters.com). The 55.2 pound white ate a live mackerel fished on 50-pound Seaguar fluorocarbon and a 7/0 Owner hook.

*As printed in the February 5, 2016 Western Outdoor News*

## Chum Line Advertising

Do you have a business that fellow members would be interested in? If so, place an ad in the monthly Chum Line!!

Advertising Pricing

- 1/8 page: \$20 per month or \$240/year
- 1/4 page: \$40 per month or \$480/year
- 1/2 page: \$80 per month or \$960/year
- Full page: \$160 per month or \$1920/year

**Buy 12 months and get one month free!**

Checks should be made payable to LARRC. The ad will be published once payment and graphics are received.

Contact Sophia ([fishnsoph@gmail.com](mailto:fishnsoph@gmail.com)) or Donald ([donald@dgoldsobel.com](mailto:donald@dgoldsobel.com)) for more information.

Thank you!!

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Donald Goldsobel's

## CALLING ALL COOKS

### Lainie's Wahoo Marinade

Originally posted online

<http://www.food.com/recipe/lainies-wahoo-marinade-126219>

Submitted by Sophia Huynh

After our 10-day trip and coming home with delicious wahoo I started to look for recipes online. I found this one and decided to give it a try for a dinner party with some friends. Below are the original directions and I also included my variation.

#### Ingredients

- 1/2 cup butter, melted
- 1/2 cup extra virgin olive oil
- 6 fresh garlic cloves
- 1/3 cup fresh cilantro or 1/3 cup parsley
- 2 tablespoons Cajun seafood seasoning
- 1 lemon, juiced
- 6 wahoo fillets, about 1/2 inch thick
- lemon wedge to garnish

#### Directions

1. Spray grill with nonstick spray or brush with oil to prevent sticking. Preheat on high for about 10 minutes.
2. Mix first six ingredients in a blender. Puree into a smooth sauce.
3. When ready to cook, brush both sides of fillets with sauce. Place fillets on grill and cook, turning once or twice. Brush more sauce as needed.

4. Fish is done when it flakes easily (about 5 minutes). Serve with lemon wedges.

#### Sophia's alternative directions

1. Mix first six ingredients in a blender. Puree into a smooth sauce and pour in Ziploc bag with fillets.
2. Marinate for a few hours in refrigerator.
3. Heat a nonstick pan on high and when hot, pour all contents of bag into pan.
4. Spread out the fillets so they cook evenly and hopefully get a nice brown color. Flip fish once after about 4 minutes or when you see the upside start to cook. The sauce will start to bubble and seem like its going to over cook the fish but don't worry. I left it in the pan for 5-8 minutes and then checked it for doneness.
5. If the fish flaked easily, it is ready. Pull the fillets from the sauce and place in a separate dish. Even if it is a little raw, it will be cook through as it rests.

It turned out delicious but I cooked it in a pan with the marinade instead of on the grill. I am sure on the grill it will be just a tasty but please try and see which way you like it!

## A SPECIAL REQUEST FROM THE EDITORS

We would like to honor Frank Polak in the March issue of Chum Line.

Please email any pictures and/or stories to either

Sophia - [fishnsoph@gmail.com](mailto:fishnsoph@gmail.com) or to

Donald - [donald@dgoldsobel.com](mailto:donald@dgoldsobel.com)

Thank you

# CHARTERS 2016

DATE	DESTINATION	AVAILABILITY	CONTACT
<b>May 27</b>	<b>Pacific Dawn 2016</b> Ventura Sportsfishing - Best time for Sea Bass Trip to leave the night before *NOT INCLUDED - Jackpot, fish cleaning, drinks. Fuel surcharge may apply.	<b>3 SPOTS</b> (Limited Load - 17 max Cost: \$284.00*	Reza Malekzadeh <a href="mailto:drpdlmalek@yahoo.com">drpdlmalek@yahoo.com</a> 562-824-7727
<b>Jun 11-18</b>	<b>Royal Star 7 Day Larry Brown and LARRC Shared Charter</b> Best Deal of the Year	<b>WAIT LIST</b> Cost: \$2,025.00*	Royal Star <a href="http://www.royalstarsportfishing.com">www.royalstarsportfishing.com</a> 619-224-4764 Tracy
<b>Jun 23-24</b>	<b>Pacific Dawn Malibu Fish'n Tackle and LARRC</b> Details: Depart 9pm June 23, Return 7pm June 24 Ventura Sportsfishing *Food, Gratuities, Drinks & Snacks NOT included.	<b>20 SPOTS</b> Cost: \$170.00*	Wayne Caywood <a href="http://www.malibufishntackle.com">www.malibufishntackle.com</a> 805-496-7332 Tom Trainer
<b>Jun 28 - Jul 1</b>	<b>"The Alaska Adventure"</b> Three full days of fishing at Sportsman's Cove Lodge We have one slots remaining on our reserved LARRC boat and more slots available	<b>OPEN</b> Cost: \$2,495 plus airfare to Ketchikan	Sportsman's Cove Lodge <a href="http://www.Alaskabestlodge.com">www.Alaskabestlodge.com</a>
<b>Jun 29- Jul 3</b>	<b>Excel Malibu Fish'n Tackle and LARRC</b> Details: Depart in AM June 29, Return in AM July 3 Fisherman's Landing, San Diego *Gratuities, Drinks NOT included.	<b>3 SPOTS</b>	Wayne Caywood <a href="http://www.malibufishntackle.com">www.malibufishntackle.com</a> 805-496-7332 Tom Trainer
<b>Jul 30 - Aug 6</b>	<b>Intrepid 7 Day Shared Charter</b> Permits included, no fuel surcharge Target Species: Bluefin, Yellowfin, Yellowtail, Dorado	<b>WAIT LIST</b> Cost: \$3,175	Intrepid Sportfishing <a href="http://www.fishintrepid.com">www.fishintrepid.com</a> Steve 619-224-4088
<b>Aug 6-8</b>	<b>Pacific Dawn 2 Day Tuna Trip</b> Fisherman's Landing Details: Depart 8pm Aug 6/Return 6pm Aug 8 Target Species: Bluefin, Yellowfin, Yellowtail and Dodos Fee Includes: Fare, Food, Mexican Permits & Crew Gratuities	<b>6 SPOTS</b> Cost: \$740	Mark Manculich <a href="mailto:mmanculich@socal.rr.com">mmanculich@socal.rr.com</a> 818-613-6575
<b>Aug 23-28</b>	<b>Red Rooster Five Day! Shared Charter Larry Brown and LARRC Shared Charter</b> Perfect dates, boat, and crew targeting Bluefin, Yellowfin, Yellowtail and Dorado	<b>WAIT LIST</b> Cost: \$1,995.00*	Red Rooster III <a href="http://www.redrooster3.com">www.redrooster3.com</a> 619-224-3857 Christina
<b>Sep 7-10</b>	<b>Royal Polaris Malibu Fish'n Tackle and LARRC</b> Details: Depart 10am Sep 7 / Return Sep 10 6pm Fisherman's Landing, San Diego *Gratuities, Snacks,Drinks & Mexican Permits NOT included.	<b>20 SPOTS</b> Cost: \$1,275.00*	Wayne Caywood <a href="http://www.malibufishntackle.com">www.malibufishntackle.com</a> 805-496-7332 Tom Trainer
<b>Oct 21</b>	<b>Pacific Dawn Overnight</b> Ventura Sportsfishing - Trip leaves night before Target Species: Rock Cod, Lings, Yellowtail, Halibut, Sea Bass *NOT INCLUDED - Jackpot, fish cleaning, drinks. Fuel surcharge may apply.	<b>SOLD OUT</b> (Limited Load - 17 max Cost: \$284.00*	Reza Malekzadeh <a href="mailto:drpdlmalek@yahoo.com">drpdlmalek@yahoo.com</a> 562-824-7727

# CHARTERS 2016

DATE	DESTINATION	AVAILABILITY	CONTACT
Dec 3	<b>Pacific Dawn 2016</b> Ventura Sportsfishing - Trip leaves night before Target Species: Rock Cod, Lings Spawning, Yellowtail, Halibut, Sea Bass *NOT INCLUDED - Jackpot, fish cleaning, drinks. Fuel surcharge may apply.	<b>1 SPOT</b> (Limited Load - 17 max)	Reza Malekzadeh drpdlmalek@yahoo.com Cost: \$284.00* 562-824-7727
<b>NOTE:</b> LARRC members signing up for club charters are obligated to pay full fare in the event they cannot make the trip. The club will attempt to fill your space and you may try to do the same in a timely manner. There may be surcharges this year based on fuel price increases. Bunks are assigned by the charter master in order received. So book early! If you have any special needs please make the charter master aware of them at the time of booking. Contact Mike Hartt or Ted Feit LARRC Club Charters in BLUE Larry Brown Shared Charters in GREEN Malibu Fish'n Tackle, Wayne Caywood Shared Charters in ORANGE			

## TROPHY CONTENDERS 2016

SPECIES	LINE TEST	ANGLER	LBS.	OZ.
<b>MEN'S OCEAN WATER</b>				
<b>MEN'S FLY ROD</b>				
<b>MEN'S FRESH WATER</b>				
<b>MEN'S RELEASED</b>				
<b>WOMEN'S OCEAN WATER</b>				
White Sea Bass	50	Cathy Needleman	55	0
<b>WOMEN'S OCEAN WATER</b>				
<b>WOMEN'S FLY ROD</b>				
<b>WOMEN'S FRESH WATER</b>				
<b>JUNIOR MEMBERS</b>				
<b>FIRST GAME FISH OF THE YEAR</b>				
White Sea Bass	50	Cathy Needleman 25-Jan-16	55	0
<b>FIRST ALBACORE OF THE YEAR</b>				

## CALENDAR

**Board Meeting**  
FEBRUARY 22, 2016

Dinner: 6:00pm Meeting: 7:00pm  
At Valley Inn  
4557 Sherman Oaks Ave., Sherman Oaks

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**NO Dinner Meeting**

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**SAVE THE DATES**

**FEBRUARY 28TH**  
Annual Awards Banquet at  
Braemar Country Club

**APRIL 8TH**  
Lou Berke Trout Derby at Hansen Dam  
Lakeview Terrace  
7:30 am - 2:00 pm

**JULY 11TH**  
Annual Kids' Trip

**JULY 18TH, 19TH, 20TH**  
King of the Club

**AUGUST 1ST & 15TH**  
Marine Mentors Trips



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### 2015 OFFICERS

President	John Ballotti
Vice President	Donald Goldsobel
Secretary	Mark Manculich
Treasurer	John Rhind
Historian	Joel Steinman

### 2015 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

John Ballotti	Tom Spiers
Michael Godfrey	Ted Feit
Michael Hartt	Brett Goldberg
Joe Mahfet	Donald Goldsobel
William Davis	Sophia Huynh
Reza Malekzadeh	

### 2015 FOUNDATION TRUSTEES

**Joel Steinman, *Chairman***

Cathy Needleman	Ron Ashimine
Mark Manculich	Randy Sharon
Scott Schiffman	Steve Simon

### 2015 COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS

Annual Picnic	Rob Baldwin
Awards Banquet 2016	John Ballotti
By-laws and Legal	Randy Sharon
Charters	Michael Hartt & Ted Feit
Chum Line Editors	Sophia Huynh & Donald Goldsobel
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Dinner Meetings	Mike Godfrey
Dinner Speakers	Wayne Caywood
Elections	Mark Manculich
Environmental Affairs	Frank Polak
Fishing Records	Joel Steinman
Fly Fishing	Rob Baldwin
Louis Berke Trout Derby	Steve Simon
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Webmaster	John Ballotti
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Kid' Fishing Trip	John Ballotti & Scott Schiffman
King of the Club	Randy Sharon & Earl Warren
Marine Mentors' Trip	Frank Polak & Michael Grossman
Trophies	Sophia Huynh
Yearbook	John Ballotti