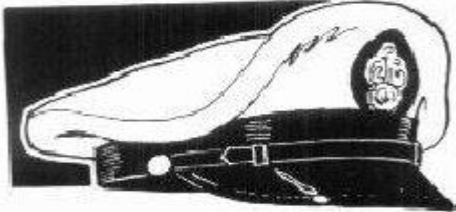


# ~~~~~*Bluewater Bulletin*~~~~~

**November, 2012**

**Meeting: Nov. 1st, '12**

- Happy Hour 6:00
- 7:00 Meeting at the Bali Hai
- Ken Franke



**President**  
**Rhonda Ito**

Hello FCM's  
If you missed our October meeting, you really missed out on great presentation by Lyall Bellquist from Scripps Institution of Oceanography. I couldn't believe how quiet it was during the presentation. If any of you want to get involved with Lyall, please let us know and we will add you to his email blasts on any of his upcoming trips.

For the month of November, our speaker will be Ken Franke. When Ken Franke was 13 years old, his father taught him how to operate the family's 26-foot

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speedboat. "A half-hour later I was rescuing a man whose boat had gotten stuck in the rocks on the Niagara River," Franke said. During his years as a Harbor Police Officer, he has logged thousands of hours patrolling San Diego Bay aboard the vessel Point Loma, and has rescued many people who've fallen from boats and docks and ended up in the bay. After more than 28 years of service to the Harbor Police Department, Ken Franke retired on October 28, 2009, his 50th birthday. "It's been a great career," Franke said. "I've enjoyed working with the waterfront community, that includes business owners and military organizations." Please see Tim Foote's article for more details, and then come see Ken at the next meeting.

As many of you know, we usually hold our Christmas meeting at Silver Gate Yacht Club, unfortunately this year SGYC will be undergoing major renovations. We have made arrangements to have our December 6<sup>th</sup> meeting at Marina Village. Don't miss out on our annual visit from Bill Boyce and Mr. and Mrs. Claus. Also in the month of December we will be holding elections. There will be several positions available on the board, so please, if you have some time to spare and would like to lend a helping hand, we would really appreciate it if you ran for the board. Being on the board

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really is a lot of fun and it is a very rewarding experience.

Some of you may have heard that Tom Gruber's wife, Barbara, passed away on Saturday, October 20th. Please keep Tom and his family in your prayers during this difficult time.

Please also keep thoughts and prayers for the Chesney family as Ed Chesney passed away on the same day.

As we are told, both individuals will have a burial at sea with dates unknown at this time.



**Vice President**  
**Lou Douchene**

Hello FCM's  
Well it is November already and the tuna are still around. Maybe we will have a stuffed tuna instead of a turkey this year for Thanksgiving!

Next month is one of the most important meetings of the year - December is election of officers for the board of directors for

2013. There are four seats on the board available. Being on the board is a very satisfying and rewarding position. The board makes the decisions the membership wants, for tournaments, meetings, monthly club functions, monetary decisions to keep the club solvent, along with day to day business. We welcome you to run for a board position, we need your support and guidance. If you would like to throw your hat into the ring, there are a couple of things you can do; contact a board member and let them know you are wanting to run for the board so they can get your name on the ballot, or send a brief email as to why you want to run to Rhonda Ito, Gary Mouritzen or myself, and we will get it in the monthly bulletin.

The membership needs your help and encourages you to bring to the table your new thoughts and ideas, and to be a team player for your club. Get in the race TODAY !!!!!

We have arranged to have as our speaker this month, Ken Frankie, president of SAC, Sportfishing Association of California. We welcome him and his views on where our sport is going in the future with regards to rules and regulations, both in American and in Mexican waters. Ken is a sport boat owner and very involved in the bass tagging research program, along with his daily duties as president of SAC. We are fortunate to have him as a speaker and share his wealth of knowledge with us. Be sure to

be there to ask your questions, and give your input, which he welcomes. Come on out and meet the President of SAC.

See ya at the meeting.  
Lou



**Tournament Master:**  
**Lee Fleming**

Our final tournament of the year will be Saturday, 17 November '12. This will be an inter-club tourney with the San Diego Anglers. We need everyone to fish this one! The format will be a bay bass tourney with a halibut side-pot. Weigh your heaviest bass (sandy, calico, or spotty) for the usual club points and cash awards. Lines in at first light and weigh-in at the "Wave" on Shelter Island, 1400-1500 hours. The boundaries are the line from the Point Loma Light House to the tip of Zuniga Jetty. Restricted areas are as usual; 100 yards away from the bait barge and all Naval and Port Police zones as enforced by their respective distances.

The lobster tourney was great fun for all who attended. Butt Time with Fox Ludwig and Gary Mouritzen took first and

third place with lobsters weighing 1.70 and 1.14 pounds. 4D's with Daryl White and Alex Williamson took second place with a lobster weighing 1.25 pounds. These gentlemen needed more competition, "easy money!"

I am beginning to look at next year's tournament schedule and formats. Give me some feedback, or I will follow similar series.

Lee Fleming  
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**Pictures of the Month**



Fox with another quality Halibut! Fox scored this 27 lb'r the day of the lobster tourney

He also got these monster lobsters on opening day of the lobster season. The big one weighed 8 pounds!





**Clothing Master**  
**Lori Byron**

Our clothes closet is full of all styles. It's starting to cool down, so come and check out our thermal hooded sweat jackets. We can always add your name, or boat name, to your jackets and other clothing. This might be a great Christmas gift to have some custom embroidery put on your boat attire. Please stop by with any requests or suggestions on what you'd like to see on the clothing table. Happy Holidays, Lori Byron - Sachau CHUCK BYRON YOUTH ART, INC. Chuck Byron Products 619-301-3193 [www.chuckbyron.com](http://www.chuckbyron.com)



Kurt and son, Luc, Hoffman score some nice bluefin on a two day trip. WTG Team!



**Membership**  
**Daryl White**

Hello fellow SDRR club members. Can you believe October is almost over? With that, we are well on the way to building our roster for 2013! I want to first thank Margie Williams for stepping up and helping me with the renewals. With her help, we had 31 members and spouses renew for the upcoming year! Those members that took the plunge received 3 chances to win the Shimano Tyronos 8II and Temarar TMCX80MH Combo. This is one sweet setup worth over \$400. If you didn't renew during the October meeting, you can get 2 chances at the next meeting; or, for the really late comers, 1 chance at the December meeting, where we will do the raffle. We also had some new members join at the last meeting. Please join me in welcoming Bill and Deb Renick, Wes Ciesielski and Stan Zahrt to the club. Be sure to introduce yourselves at the next meeting and make them feel welcome. If you have friends and/or acquaintances that like to fish, now is the time to get them to join the club for the upcoming year. The fish are biting and the club is a great

way to hook up with others to make the cost of heading out more reasonable, or buddy boating with a FCM to cover more ground. If nothing else, we have the best resource of experience in fishing the waters of San Diego within the membership of the club. When you bring a guest, you get 10 free tickets for the raffle and, if they sign up, they get 10 free tickets as well.

Well, that's it for this month. Let me know if there is any other information that you would like for me to put together and I'll get it going. See you on the water and keep them hooked up.

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**Weigh Master Report**  
**Rex Finney**

As we go to press, there are still fish being caught offshore. So, get out there and get that last tuna, Yellowtail or Dorado. The lobster tournament was held on Saturday, October 13<sup>th</sup>. Only two boats weighed in. The Sea Fox group (Fox Ludwig and Gary Mouritzen and a third non-member) took



1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> with a 1.70 lb bug and a 1.14 lb bug. They caught twelve lobsters for the night. The Four Ds group (Daryl White and Alex Williamson) took 2<sup>nd</sup> with a 1.25 lb bug.

Some of the highlights in the weight receipt department: Rolly Lira's son, Roman, provided a weight receipt for his Dorado he caught near the 182 spot. It weighed in at 26.4 lbs, beating out Harry Okuda's 19.65 lb Dorado. Roman used 25lb test line to bring the Dorado in. Hector Lopez caught a 47lb Bluefin Tuna a hundred miles south of Point Loma using 40lb test with a sardine. Fox caught a 29.75lb halibut off of Imperial Beach using a sardine. DJ Ludwig caught a 26lb Bluefin at the 1010 Trench south of Ensenada, using a sardine on 25lb test line. DJ also got a 90lb sailfish at the East Cape on 30lb test using a Caballito. To top it off, she also caught a 26.3 lb Yellowtail near the 182 spot.



Hector with his 47 lb Bluefin



**PR:**  
**Tim Foote**

We had an excellent presentation by Lyall Bellquist from Scripps Institution of Oceanography at our October meeting. Amazingly, everyone was quiet during his presentation. We need to reward the club for such good behavior, or was that because Pepe was gone? Lyall sends out emails periodically regarding upcoming free fishing trips for tagging. If you want to get on his list, you can email him at: [lbellqui@ucsd.edu](mailto:lbellqui@ucsd.edu) Tell him that you are a member of the San Diego Rod and Reel Club.



Our next speaker is Ken Franke. Ken is a retired San Diego Harbor Police Lieutenant serving 30 years. Ken's real

passion is sportfishing and marine research. His grandfather was the lighthouse keeper in San Diego and took him fishing his first time when he was 6 years old. He has owned and operated charter sportfishing boats for over 35 years off the coast of California. Recently, Ken received an award from the United States Assistant Undersecretary of Commerce for his work coordinating the NOAA science community and the captains in the SAC fleet, to forward all of their habitat data collected during their many years of fishing. In April 2009, Ken assumed charge as President of the Sportfishing Association of California. His primary focus has been to promote the marine recreational industry and build strong relationships with all organizations that affect the SAC's ability to operate. Ken was appointed this year to be an advisor to the Undersecretary of Commerce while participating in the Marine Fisheries Advisory Committee. He has also been appointed as the Chairman of the Recreational Fishing Subcommittee within MAFAC. Ken has also been working with the Mexican authorities to get clarification on visa requirements for fishing in Mexico.



**The 8th Annual Chuck Byron FISH ON!** was held last month and was another success. On Saturday, September 22nd, the San Diego Rod & Reel Club hosted a Yellowtail / Dorado tournament and opened it to non-members and members to fish. This was in support of the changes made from the previous Fish On! tournaments. The club's support really helped in making it successful. Several of our club members offered to take a father-child team out on their boat and joined in the day of catching. Yes, catching. Everyone weighed in fish and the, "big fish" winners were awarded on the following day. The *Bali Hai Restaurant* offered their outdoor pavilion on the bay for a fun and exciting fund raiser. Over a delicious luncheon, prizes were awarded to the winners of the Chuck Byron Youth Marine Art Contest, where young artists from 5 to 17 years old submitted artwork prior to this event. Our live auctioneer was there to help auction the kids artwork, along with original art from top marine artists. The fishing industry and art community donated thousands of dollars in products to raffle on Sunday to help raise funds to take these young artists out fishing and teach them an understanding of our marine resources. Teaching them the "Art of Fishing" has inspired many kids over the past eight years through this program and annual event. The *Friends Rollo*

*Foundation* and the *San Diego Rod & Reel Club* have been huge supporters of the *Fish On!* event, taking hundreds of kids fishing since 2004 when the *Chuck Byron Fish On!* began.

Thank you again to everyone that helped out again this year, I really appreciate it.

Lori Sachau

*Fish On!* Director

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<b>SAN DIEGO ROD &amp; REEL CLUB 2012 Weight Receipt List*</b>						
<b>LOCAL SPECIES (Plaques)</b>	<b>Lbs.</b>	<b>Name (Men's)</b>	<b>Lbs.</b>	<b>Name (Women's)</b>	<b>Lbs.</b>	<b>Name (Juniors)</b>
<b>Albacore (Local)</b>						
<b>Big Eye Tuna (Local)</b>						
<b>Barracuda (Local)</b>	7	Dennis Burlason				
<b>Bluefin Tuna (Local)</b>	47	Hector Lopez	26	DJ Ludwig		
<b>Bonito (Local)</b>						
<b>Calico Bass</b>	6.12	Dennis Burlason				
<b>Rockfish</b>	5.2	Harry Okuda				
<b>Dorado (Local)</b>	26.4	Roman Lira				
<b>Halibut (Local)</b>	29.75	Fox Ludwig	11.5	DJ Ludwig		
<b>Lingcod (Local)</b>	7.7	Harry Okuda				
<b>Mako Shark (Local)</b>						
<b>Sand Bass</b>	4.69	Dennis Burlason				
<b>Spotted Bay Bass</b>						
<b>Striped Marlin (Local)</b>						
<b>White Sea Bass (Local)</b>						
<b>Yellowfin Tuna (Local)</b>						
<b>Yellowtail (Local)</b>	23.25	Dennis Burlason	26.3	DJ Ludwig		
<b>SPECIES +150 Miles (Certificates)</b>						
<b>Blue Marlin</b>						
<b>Dorado (+150)</b>			40	Cheri Fleming		
<b>Halibut (+150)</b>						
<b>Sailfish (+150)</b>			90	DJ Ludwig		
<b>Wahoo (+150)</b>						
<b>Yellowfin Tuna (+150)</b>	237	Hector Lopez				
<b>Yellowtail (+150)</b>						
<b>Albacore (+150)</b>						
<b>Barracuda (+150)</b>						
<b>Big Eye Tuna (+150)</b>						
<b>Bluefin Tuna (+150)</b>						
<b>Bonito (+150)</b>						
<b>Lingcod (+150)</b>						
<b>Mako Shark (+150)</b>						
<b>Striped Marlin (+150)</b>						
<b>White Sea Bass (+150)</b>						
<b>Roosterfish</b>						
<b>Honorable mentions:</b>	*You must fill out an official weight receipt in order to be listed.					
<b>1st Striped Marlin (Local, kill or released w photo &amp; weight Est.)</b>						
<b>1st Albacore</b>						
<b>1st Yellowfin (Local)</b>						
<b>1st Yellowtail (Local)</b>	22	Harry Okuda				
<b>1st Dorado (Local)</b>	19.65	Harry Okuda				



# San Diego Rod and Reel Club

## Membership Application

### 2013



**Free For Active Duty Military**

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EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

PLEASE CHECK ONE: NEW MEMBER: \_\_\_\_\_ RENEWAL: \_\_\_\_\_

BADGE ONLY: \_\_\_\_\_ ADDR.CHG: \_\_\_\_\_

ADULT MEMBERSHIP (18 AND OVER) \_\_\_\_\_ \$60.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

SPOUSE/FAMILY MEMBERSHIP \_\_\_\_\_ \$10.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

NAME BADGE \_\_\_\_\_ \$5.00 EA. \$ \_\_\_\_\_

NAME BADGE \_\_\_\_\_ TOTAL: \$ \_\_\_\_\_



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UPCOMING EVENTS:

- **November 1<sup>st</sup>** – Club Meeting at the Bali Hai
- **November 17** – Bay Bass Tournament vs. San Diego Anglers
- **December 6<sup>th</sup>** – Club Meeting w/ a Special Guest and Bill Boyce. Meeting will be held **at Marina Village.**
- **January 10<sup>th</sup>, 2013!** – **Happy New Year!!!** 1<sup>st</sup> club meeting of the year.