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**San Diego Rod and Reel Club**

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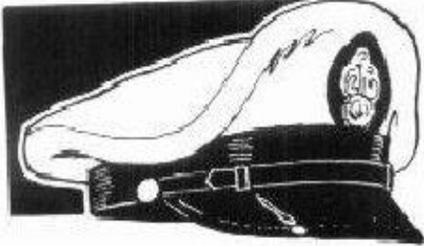
**Meeting: April 4<sup>th</sup>, '13**  
**at the Bali Hai**

- Happy Hour 6:00
- Meeting at 7:00
- Shimano speaking

meeting was great; we had Kurt Hoffman and Mike Shane talking about Halibut and White Sea Bass. It was a great presentation and we really appreciate the time they spent with us.

rotten away) and hope to have it back in by our next update. We are still on line for a sea trial in June.

See you all on the big pond.  
Alex Williamson  
San Diego Rod & Reel President



**President**  
**Alex Williamson**

Greetings Members,

We had a great turnout for the Bay Bass Tournament and BBQ afterwards. Even if you didn't fish it, you are always welcomed to come to our BBQ's and just say "Hi" and hang out. Our next tournament will be on the 20<sup>th</sup> of April. Once again, we will arrange a BBQ, so be sure to join us.

Speaking of the next meeting, we have a huge raffle and an excellent speaker. Marc Mills from Shimano will be talking about on and off shore fishing equipment. The raffle promises to be a good one as it will be stacked with Shimano products, and we brought back the \$100 dollars for the 180 tickets. If you bring a first time guest to the meeting, and they sign in, your guest will also receive 10 free raffle tickets. Our last

We are very excited about the upcoming Del Mar Fred Hall Show and Day at the Docks. No doubt the bulletin will be published after the Del Mar Fred Hall Show, but I hope to see most of you out there. There was a large group of us that went up to the Long Beach Fred Hall Show. It was great seeing so many of you up there. My wife Sue even went and had a great time. The Fred Hall Show and Day at the Docks is a great way to meet people and an excellent place to showcase the club. As always, Day at the Docks is about the kids fishing, so we need all the help we can get. It is very rewarding to teach a child how to fish and see them get excited about catching their first fish. Come on out and get involved, it's a lot of fun and helps out our community. We will be there all day on the 21<sup>st</sup>.

This month's update on Jon's and my boat, or as some of you have suggested, "Our oversized flower pot". I got the bottom deck in, and it is solid. Jon has most of the wiring completed and he will start putting the engine fuel lines and carburetors back in. We tore out the upper deck (it was mostly



**Vice President**  
**Billy Roach**

Hi FCM's,

Hope to see all of you at the April meeting. We will be back at the Bali Hai. The Fred Hall Show was tremendous with inquires and support for our club. The rod and reel raffle was a big hit. Thanks to all who turned out and helped. All our efforts helps us take kids out fishing, which is our future.

It is a pleasure to be your Vice President. The President and I are working on some new projects and special events for this year. I heard your President cooked hot dogs and hamburgers after the bay bass tournament. Way to go Alex!

See you at the meeting,  
Billy



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

Our next tourney will be Saturday, 20 April '13. this will be an open ocean with a weigh-in between 1500-1600. The species will be Halibut and the side pot will be called on the Wednesday night before the tourney, April 17th, and will be based on the species biting at that time. There was a good yellowtail bite during the March tourney, and several members didn't fish the tourney because of it. There will be a BBQ following the Halibut tournament.

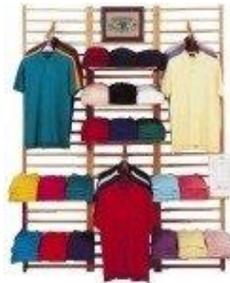
Sunday 21 April will be the Day at the Docks event at the Sportfishing parking lot on Scott Street. SDRRC has a booth and we work the fish pens for the kids. We need volunteers to help throughout the day. Signup sheet will be available at the April 4th meeting at the Bali Hai.

Our May 4th tourney will be "Bottom Fish" and will be coincidental with the SWYC Benefit Tournament with the weigh-in being at their dock. The 15 June Tourney species

will be called out at the June 6th meeting.

Call me for tournament sign-ups no later than 2100 the night before the events.

Lee Fleming  
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**Clothing Master**  
**Lou Duchene**

Hello Fellow Club Members,

Thank you to all who purchased clothing at the March meeting. We are taking a new outlook on the clothing table. We will be having new items for the future.

Coming soon will be a lot of close-out super specials. We still have plenty of sweatshirts and long sleeve shirts for those cold mornings on the water, and short sleeve shirts for the summer months.

Please support your club by purchasing and wearing club clothing.

Lou



**Membership**  
**Margie & Michael Williams**

Greetings Fellow Members!

It was great to see most of you at our March meeting at Marina Village. We are hoping that we have a bigger turnout at our April meeting, now that the flu bug seems to be moving its way out of town. Please stop by the membership table to sign in for the meeting. Doing so lets us know how many people are attending the meeting and allows us to plan accordingly.

Don't forget that if you bring a friend to our next club meeting, you will receive 10 FREE raffle tickets. If your friend decides to join our super-awesome club that very night, you will receive an ADDITIONAL 10 tickets for our raffle! A total of 20 tickets, you really can't beat that!

For those of you have yet to renew your club membership for 2013, it is not too late. Please be sure to stop by the Membership table at our April meeting on April 4. The cost is only \$60 for one adult or \$70 for your entire family. And for those of you that are already members please be sure to wear your name badge to the next meeting to get entered into our badge raffle.

We have two new members; please welcome Dustin Blanchard and Chris Kugel. Congratulations to Daryl White for winning last month's raffle! Michael will be behind the Membership table at our April meeting. Be sure to stop by and say hello.

Keep your lines wet!  
-Margie & Michael Williams



**PR:**  
**Mike Gladden**

types can use. Shimano has been a great sponsor of the club and helped make our raffle so successful. Mark the date down and plan to be there.  
Mike Gladden  
PR Director



**Big Fish Director**  
**Rhonda Ito**

Hello FCM's

Well, Lou, Ellie, Tom and I made some great headway up in Long Beach and Del Mar reaching out to major sponsors and getting some great commitments for our 30<sup>th</sup> Annual Big Fish Tournament.

I mentioned in my last article that the tournament date was the 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>, but it is REALLY the 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup>. So please save the dates. We want to make this year's tournament bigger and better than ever. If you have any thoughts or suggestions, please do not hesitate to visit with Lou or I. We are really excited and looking forward to a fantastic tournament!

Till next month,  
Rhonda

## **Picture of the Month**



As a result of the Big Fish Tournament, the first Kids Fishing Trip took place on March 3<sup>rd</sup>. There were many hookups, many for the first time; such as this one. He wants to know when he can go again! Everybody was so thankful and appreciative for the opportunity. This what it's all about!!!

Spring is here in San Diego and I know that we are all getting ready for fun times fishing with family and friends. Between fishing trips I've been cleaning my rods and getting new line placed on reels. I've seen lots of great deals at both the Long Beach and the Del Mar Fred Hall shows. It was great to see old faces and make new friends at both shows. It's my hope that everyone has been able to attend the show and check out some great deals.

Our March tournament had a very nice turn-out. Our next tournament is coming up on April 20. We're planning a bottom fishing tournament and the details will be announced very shortly. Also, note that Day at the Docks will be the following day on April 21. Our next club meeting will be back at the Bali Hai on April 4, 2013. I'm looking forward to seeing everyone there. We have an exciting speaker from Shimano who will be talking about the latest advances in Shimano technology and equipment. Shimano has lots of great gear that fisherman of all



**Weigh Master**  
**Curt Itogawa**

It was a beautiful day on San Diego Bay for the boats and members of the club that participated in the Bay Bass Tournament. Fishing was good for undersized bass and lizard fish, but the money fish (halibut) was a no-show. So, the jackpot will grow for the next chosen fish.

We did have some legal bass weighed in that met the 14-inch minimum. This included one Spotted Bay Bass that was caught by Daryl White. However, he was 10 minutes late to the weigh-in. He used the excuse that he stopped to help another boater... Sure Daryl!



The real winners were the club ladies. First Place went to Janet Fleming for an 18 inch, 2.98 lb. Sand Bass. Second Place went

to Cheri Fleming for a 17 inch, 2.44 lb. Sand Bass. Tournament Third Place went to the only male member to officially weigh in a bass, Tom Gruber', who brought in a 15 inch, 1.72 lb. Sand Bass. Since it is a new year, this also puts him as the sole place holder in the men's overall division. Ellen Duchene took Third Place in the ladies division with a 15 inch, 1.40 lb. Sand Bass.

Until the next weigh-in, stay safe and have fun.

Curtis Itogawa



**Raffle Master**  
**Robert Watson**

Hello fellow club members,

Sorry if you missed last month's meeting - it was a good one as always! We had a great speaker talking all about white sea bass ... it was quite informative.

In the raffle I put out a Shimano Tiagra 12 two speed worth \$483.00. There was also a Shimano Citica 200g reel, Shimano Caeman 100 reel , Two boxes of irons , Six pack of tuna clones and more.

Next month's meeting we will be putting out more Shimano high end products in respect for our guest speaker. Don't miss

this meeting coming up - you will be surprised at the raffle table goodies. Also remember to bring your guests and receive 10 raffle for you to do as you please with.

**ROLL THE BARREL !!!**

Robert Watson



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The Yellowtail are coming, The Yellowtail are coming!!! Sound the bells! The season is starting off to be a very promising year when you see a hot bite of Yellowtail at the islands! I've been stuck at work and Little League has started, so not much luck for me in getting out there. I know John Carrol got out there and loaded up on all quality size Moss Backs ... nothing under 20 lbs and all on the iron! That's hard to chew on when he puts out the invite and I couldn't go. I did get out on the Kids Fishing Trip and that was probably just as rewarding!

Get Bent!

Gary Mouritzen