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**San Diego Rod and Reel Club**

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**AUGUST, 2014**

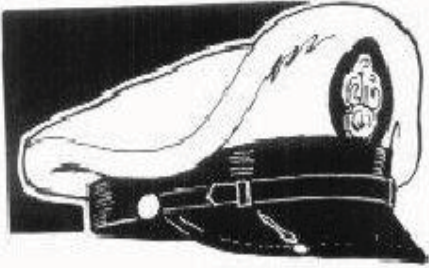
**Meeting, Aug 7<sup>th</sup>**

**\*\*at the Bali Hai\*\***

**Speaker: Eddie Howerton**

Happy Hour at 6:30

Meeting starts at 7:00



**President**  
**Alex Williamson**

I hope you all came out to the BBQ at our last meeting. I know we had a lot of you there and we had just enough ribs to feed everyone. Looks like my secret rib recipe has finally been perfected!

Ron Baker did a great job on his presentation and the ears were wide open.

I would like to thank each of you who helped make it a fun night, but there are too many for me to recall all of you. I have been doing quite well getting everyone out by 9pm the last several meetings as I know most of us need to go to work the next day. So come on out to say "Hi" and join the fun.

It looks like we have several of you going on the September 4th fishing trip as all spots are now full. I was thinking of holding

another fishing trip in October. The date I was looking at is a two and a half day trip on the Chief, which leaves at 9pm on Sunday, October 12th and returns Wed, Oct 15th at 6am. Let me know if are interested at the next meeting.

Also, I wanted to let you know we've added a Big Fish page on the web site to keep you up to date on the event. We do need more fish donations for the August seminar. Curtis was able to donate some fish (Thanks Curtis!) and I added some fish from a recent trip I took as well. Let us know if you have any fish for Pepe's fish tacos (Pepe perfected his recipe a long time ago), we will need them by the 24th to start preparing them. Just call me and I will come out and get them.

So, anyone been fishing lately? I want to start doing some surf fishing. Jon Padilla and I have gone out and it was a lot of fun. Let me know if you are going out and maybe we/I can join you ... I keep my rod in the car - LOL.

Remember that we've been doing a free BBQ at the club tournaments and it looks like it is really beginning to catch on. Next BBQ is on August 23rd for the Patty Hopper Tournament. Come on out and enjoy the fun. You don't need to be fishing to go.

Boat time: Jon and I have got more done. We now have several club members helping on our boat's recovery. We put in new vent boxes and battery box. Next is the carburetor and console. We are taking advice from most of you to get all the little things done now, as once the boat gets in the water; fishing will take a higher priority. I think my wife will not miss her 36 foot long flower/weed garden once we pull the boat out. How much longer?... not much now. I hope we will find an open slip for us. I need to be put on a waiting list I fear (Norm).

Well, that is all I have for this month, I hope I see you at our next meeting. Fish now, they're biting!  
Alex

## **Picture of the Month**



Ex-FCM, Mack Poborca, who moved to Hawaii, showed what the locals can do...

Nice Triple!!!



**VP**  
**Rhonda Ito**

Hello FCM's,

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Well, the fishing season is off to a fast start. The week of the 14th was crazy down at the launch ramp and bait receiver, so hopefully some of you were able to get out there and get some of those Yellowtail, Yellowfin and Bluefin that everyone is talking about. But, of course, come tournament time, everything slowed down – go figure! But none the less, it is always a great time on the water with friends, family and club members (you too, banana girl!).

Congratulations to Alex for, once again, putting together an excellent BBQ. Also, thanks to John and Sue Jocher for helping out. I am sure Alex appreciates all of the help. I hope everyone enjoyed the wonderful rib dinner Alex put together. I must say, there wasn't a single thing left over, so it must have been great. A huge thanks to Larry and the wonderful crew at the Bali Hai – they always take

such great care of u,s and the potato salad was excellent.

I know everyone gets excited when we all get together at the meeting, but I don't think everyone knows just how much your voices carry forward during the meeting. With that being said, when the meeting is under way, please try to show some respect for those who are up on the microphone, it is very difficult to talk over everyone.

On August 9th, we have the Shelter Island Pier event that we usually team up with the San Diego Anglers. Unfortunately, the Anglers have a conflict this year, so we really do need to ask that anyone and everyone who can come out and lend a hand – come on out and join us! This is one event that we do not have to cook at. All we have to do is assist with sign ups and help keep track of what the kids catch. It is an easy day and a very rewarding one as well. This year they are starting the event an hour earlier, so if you can show up around 7:00 that morning, it would be greatly appreciated. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Tom (760) 533-6920 or Rhonda (619) 829-5146.

Till next month,  
Tom and Rhonda



**Tournament Master:**  
**Rolly Lira**

Hi all,

Please see the attached flyer for all the details about our upcoming tournament ... the Patty Hopper.  
Rolly

**PR Director**  
**Tim Foote**



I was in Alaska, so I missed the last meeting. Thanks to Lou's help, we were able to get Captain Ron Baker who gave us a great presentation on fishing for tuna with anchovies. I hope everyone has been getting out and enjoying the amazing fishing in our local waters from the nine mile bank to San Clemente Island. I have heard

that there have been some Bluefin caught over 100 lbs. On a trip about five years ago we caught nine 25lb Yellowfin tuna at the nine mile bank. I never thought there would be an opportunity to do that again.

Speaking of catching big fish, we have two meetings in August, one on the 7th and the Big Fish seminar on the 26th. Our speaker for August 7th will be our own Eddie Howerton. Eddie is well known all over Southern California for his excellent fishing skills. He is often a guest speaker at the Fred hall Shows and was our Sportsman of the year for 2013. Eddie is known for ocean bass fishing, but he is also knowledgeable about fishing big fish locally. He will cover techniques for fishing the larger fish, including proper use of spectra and the right gear for the bigger tuna and yellowtail. Bring some questions for him so that you can make sure that you can get your giant Bluefin into the boat the next time you get hooked up. There are a lot of nice fish being caught right now but there are also fish being lost. Eddie will steer you in the right direction for successful catching this season.

Tim Foote



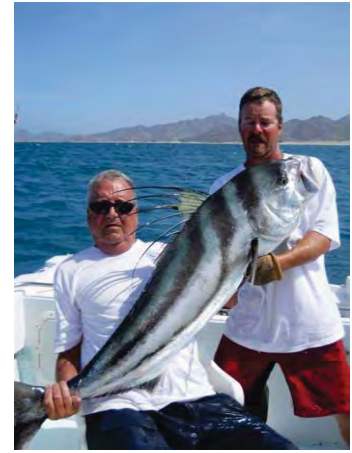
**Weigh Master**  
**Curt Itogawa**

The July Yellowtail Tournament turned out to be a beautiful day in the neighborhood, with every neighbor that owns a boat on the water! Well, the swells were small, the winds were calm in the morning, and we had sardines for bait, not a bad day; (And now for the “but”) but the fishing was really slow. It was so slow that by the end of the day, many boaters were chasing radio fish.

The tournament results are as follows: Ellie Duchene takes all the marbles with her 6.48 lbs. Yellowtail, including 5 lady’s sport points. All the rest of us who fished get one sport point.

Rolly Lira wins the bass side pot fishing on my boat. He caught a nice 3.14 lb. Calico Bass, one of four legal bass caught in the morning.

Until our next weigh-in, stay safe and have fun.  
Curtis Itogawa.



**Raffle Master**  
**Lou and Ellie Duchene**

Hello FCM'S,

It was a good meeting and raffle last month. Glad to see such a good turnout and your support for the club raffle, as well as Janet's baskets – which are terrific. Our next raffle at the August meeting will be just a small sample of what to expect for the BIG FISH SEMINAR. Keep buying those tickets and we will keep rolling the barrel!

Lou and Ellie



**Big Fish Director**  
**Michael Williams**

Hello Everybody,

We have great fishing right now and it's getting better all the time. Even though Conapesca has closed the BF fishery down in Mex for now, we have them swimming in American waters! We have a good class of tuna within 9 miles of us.

Lou and I are excited that the 31st Annual Big Fish tournament has such a fantastic outlook right now. There are 60# tuna close to us for the taking. If you are not honed in on anchovy fishing, now is the time to get back on the water and practice. Be slow and smooth, get that bait you want pinned and get it in the water and get bit. Easy enough if you practice.

We are going to have great fishing this year and this tournament is going to be a lot of fun.

Check our website for the Seminar and Tournament flyers and sign up for your piece of the prize money.

Smokin' drags,  
Michael Williams



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**Gary Mouritzen**

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Hello FCM's!

All I have to say is ... good thing it wasn't a tournament!

I took a friend, his son and my 7 (almost 8) year old fishing on the same day as our Yellowtail tournament, but our focus was on the tuna, so we didn't enter the tournament. Note to self... don't 2<sup>nd</sup> guess your instincts when your friend loads his fishing gear on your boat! I can't tell you the last time I saw a fishing rod with a wood handle, and the old Penn 500's looked like they were just dusted off. The line was your standard clear line, but this was off-white! I thought to myself, "This doesn't look good.", but I decided not to be rude and just go have fun.

The first hook up his son had appeared to be a good, standard Bluefin, but as it started to fight back, he lost it. Reel in the line and, sure enough, the line

broke. My first thought was about the age of the line, but after further inspection, the drags were buttoned down. Note to self, check your friend's drags prior to letting them put the line in the water.

The next hook up was a big one. It started off with a "Nest", but they were able to get some line on for a cushion. Then the fish woke up and went dashing for the races. As I could see the line was approaching the nest, I fired up the engine and chased the tuna down. I chased it, backed down on it and swirled around to keep to fish nearby. The drags on this reel were shot and he wasn't getting a good handle on this fish. We finally got it to the surface, but it was about 10 yards away. Even at that distance, I could see this was a big fish ... easily a 60 pounder, and it would have been the biggest tuna on my boat – ever! After a couple more runs and getting the fish back to the surface, and I continued the back down, chase and swirls, and then, after 2 hours of fighting ... pop! I told him that the end of the line was going to have a bunch of nicks in it and, sure enough, it did! The Bluefin's teeth had finally prevailed and the fish was lost. I felt bad for him, and he apologized a bunch to me. I wasn't mad, it was a fun fight.

Every day of fishing creates learning situations for us all, but go with your gut instinct!

Now... Get Bent!  
Gary Mouritzen



**San Diego Rod and Reel Club Tournament Results and Sports Points**

**Yellowtail Tournament Results**

20-Jul-14

1st Place: Ellie Duchene, 6.48 lbs. Yellowtail. (5 Lady's sport points)

Side Pot: Rolly Lira, 3.14 lbs. Calico Bass

**Sport Points Standing July 2014**

(Includes points from tournament placing and one point for members fishing the tournament.)

Men	Ladies	Juniors		
Mike Ito	8 pts.	Ellie Duchene	12 pts.	Matt Jordan Jr. 8 pts.
Rex Finney	7 pts.	Nancy Oritz	7 pts.	Ben Perez 6 pts.
Tim Foote	7 pts.	Shelly Cochlin	7 pts.	Sara Itogawa 2 pts.
Fox Ludwig	6 pts.	Rhonda Ito	7 pts.	
Dennis Burlason	6 pts.	Denise Lira	7 pts.	
Ed Howerton	4 pts.	D.J. Ludwig	1 pts.	
Lee Fleming	4 pts.	Cheri Fleming	1 pts.	
Tom Gruber	4 pts.	Janet Fleming	1 pts.	
Curt Itogawa	4 pts.			
Lou Duchene	3 pts.	This list reflects corrections from the previous tournament.		
Rolly Lira	3 pts.			
John Plemons	3 pts.			
Daryl White	3 pts.			
Dennis Johnson	3 pts.			
Jay Perez	2 pts.			
Mike Kline	2 pts.			
Frank Crawford	1 pts.			
Gary Glockzin Jr.	1 pts.			
Derik Ito	1 pts.			
Bill Fleming	1 pts.			
Robert Wood	1 pts.			

## PHOTO GALLERY



**Gordie Howe** is known as El Pescador when he crosses the border. As everyone knows he can bait, fish, catch and gaff his own fish. On this particular day he was on a 1 day charter on the Hijole where he caught 10 yellowtail and 4 YFT. Excellent anchovies and just about 2 miles south of the North Coronado Island.

### Curtis Itogawa



21 anglers on the two day IZORLINE sponsored outing July 11-13, produced 1 BFT, 1 Dorado, 76 YFT, and 181 YT, with many fish ranging from 18 to 25 lbs. Saturday morning's gray light jig stop action produced two YFT that, in turn, produced two additional bait YFT landed by Curtis Itogawa from El Cajon and the next by Mark Cantrell from Huntington Beach. Orange/Yellow patterns, Zucchini, Purple and Black, Yellow/Green jig colors produced trolled fish while Sardines was the bait of choice by most anglers at jig stops.

Sunday morning a small meter mark fish stop produced the first YFT of the day landed by Dixran Hagopian using #40 Izorline first string. Action continued with kelp paddy hopping producing many fish. The afternoon culminated into run and gun style fishing, chasing common porpoise holding tuna. With minutes left of fishing, the trip culminated with a quad YFT hook up on the trollers with all fish being landed.

Jack Pot winners were Curtis Itogawa day 1 and Tom Roney of Hemet, day 2.

Captain Tommy Lee and crew are to be commended for their outstanding work in making this trip a pleasurable and rewarding experience for all passengers. Thank you, Tommy Lee.

### Yellowtail Tournament



Ellie with her winning YT



Rolly with his side pot Calico



### Fox Ludwig, on Gary Glockzin's boat...

At day break, we started trolling outside the 371 and found some porpoise working deep bait. We trolled with them for a while and then moved up to the best spot of school of porpoises and waited. Turns were diving for bait a few seconds later, triple hook up on the troll. After bringing those aboard, we chased them down again and then got another triple hook up on cedar plugs and pink and white feathers. We also landed a Bluefin on bait on that jig strike. The porpoise disappeared, so we continued trolling to the 425.

We found a nice patty and we told everyone that we will troll by it first. We watched a 34 pound Yellowtail bomb out and hit the trolled cedar plug! We landed 4 more yellows on bait, and then went back to trolling.

10 minutes later we spotted a monster patty ... trolled by it first and had quad hook up of Yellowtail. 15 yellowtail landed, wide open, limited by the second drift on the patty!

Trolled back North toward the 302 with numerous triple hook ups on patties for more yellowtail and just released them. Once we were at the 302 landed, we landed 2 more Yellowfin on blind jig strikes. We then had more blind jig strikes for 4 and 3 more Yellowfin.

We made it back to clean the boat and the fish, etc. ... finished at midnight Wednesday the 16th of July.  
Total Fish Count: 13 Yellowfin tuna, 1 Bluefin and 31 Yellowtail

### Crystal Pier Kids Fishing...

Thanks to all the club members who were able to make it out to help with this great event!



**SAN DIEGO ROD REEL CLUB 2014 WEIGHT RECEIPT LIST**

Jul-14

<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>						
<b>Bluefin Tuna (Local)</b>	31.9	Roman Lira				
<b>Bonito (Local)</b>						
<b>Calico Bass</b>	8.06	Ed Howerton			1.88	Marco Mouritzen
<b>Rockfish</b>	6.4	Harry Okuda	5.1	Nancy Ortiz	2.8	Matt Jordan
<b>Dorado (Local)</b>						
<b>Halibut (Local)</b>			35	DJ Lugwig		
<b>Lingcod (Local)</b>	17.35	Harry Okuda	12.3	Millie Velez		
<b>Mako Shark (Local)</b>						
<b>Sand Bass</b>			2.28	Shelly Cochlin		
<b>Spotted Bay Bass</b>	1.72	Rolly Lira				
<b>Striped Marlin (Local)</b>						
<b>White Sea Bass (Local)</b>						
<b>Yellowfin Tuna (Local)</b>	18.19	Curt Itogawa				
<b>Yellowtail (Local)</b>	29.4	Rex Finney				
<b>SPECIES +150 Miles (Certificates)</b>						
<b>Blue Marlin</b>						
<b>Dorado (+150)</b>						
<b>Halibut (+150)</b>						
<b>Sailfish (+150)</b>						
<b>Wahoo (+150)</b>						
<b>Yellowfin Tuna (+150)</b>						
<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>	16.3	Curt Itogawa				

**Honorable mentions:** \*You must fill out an official weight receipt in order to be listed.

**1st Striped Marlin (Local, kill or released w photo & weight Est.)**

<b>1st Albacore</b>		
<b>1st Yellowfin (Local)</b>	<b>18.19</b>	<b>Curt Itogawa</b>
<b>1st Yellowtail (Local)</b>	29.4	Rex Finney
<b>1st Dorado (Local)</b>		



# AUGUST

## **Patty Hopper Tournament**

**Date :** August 23rd, 2014

**Lines in :** @ 6:00 am boats may leave the night prior for offshore banks.

**Weigh in :** Between 5:00 pm - 6:00 pm. on Saturday the 23rd @ **the WAVE**

**Species :** Dorado, Yellowtail, White Sea Bass and Halibut

**Price:** \$ 20.00 Dollars per angler for members  
\$ 25.00 Dollars per non member (guests)

**Junior Anglers:** Fish for free, \$25.00 gift card. for 1st place, \$15.00 gift card for 2nd place and \$10.00 gift card for 3rd place Juniors.

**Guests:** All guests may fish 2 tournaments with out being a member as long as they are fishing on a Members boat or have a member with them on their boat.  
**All persons and guests on every boat must be entered in the tournament.**

**Tournament Rules :** Each angler may only weigh their heaviest fish. (one fish of any species per angler). The three heaviest weighed fish of any species will take 1st, 2nd and 3rd place.

**Sports Points:** The sports points will be awarded to three anglers with the heaviest fish in the tournament . One fish per angler of any species will receive 5 points for 1st, 4 points for 2nd and 3 points for 3rd, in Mens, Womens and Juniors.

**Side Pot :** Largest Calico, Sand Bass or Spotted Bay Bass

**Side Pot Cost :** \$10:00 All anglers per boat must be entered in the side pot to win...

**Weigh Master :** ( Curt Itogawa ) Any and all protests must be made at the scale during the weighing of any fish, All ties will go to the angler who weighed in first. Final time is determined by the weigh masters watch. Any questions call Curt @ 760-791-7225

**Tournament Master :** ( Rolly Lira ) May call off any tournament due to small craft warnings or postpone at his discretion. Any questions call Rolly @ 619-892-4118

**Tournament Channel :** - 68

**Tides:** Low: High:



# 31st ANNUAL BIG FISH TOURNAMENT

BENEFITTING KIDS FISHING PROGRAMS

September 13th – 14th, 2014

**\$10,000.00 PAYOUT**

THREE SEPARATE SIDE JACKPOTS PER BOAT  
Tuna (best 3); YT (best 3); Halibut, WSB, Dorado

## BIG FISH SEMINAR

TUE. Aug. 26 7:00 p.m. Bali Hai Restaurant, Shelter Island

HUGE RAFFLE WITH FANTASTIC PRIZES!

PEPE'S AWESOME FREE FISH TACOS!

PROMINENT GUEST SPEAKERS & MAJOR VENDORS!

Early Tournament Sign-up Drawing! Win a 2 Speed Reel & Rod Combo!

## CAPTAIN'S MEETING

FRIDAY Sep. 12, 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. at the WAVE, Near Shelter Island Launch Ramp  
(Captain's Meeting is mandatory and last chance for tournament sign-up)

## AWARDS BANQUET

SUNDAY Sep. 14, 1:00 p.m. at the Bali Hai Restaurant  
HUGE RAFFLE WITH FABULOUS PRIZES & SILENT AUCTION

**Entry Form & More Info at [www.SanDiegoRodAndReel.com](http://www.SanDiegoRodAndReel.com)**

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

- **August 7<sup>th</sup>** – Club Meeting
- **August 9<sup>th</sup>** – Shelter Island Pier Kid's Fishing event
- **August 23<sup>rd</sup>** – Club Tournament ... Patty Hopping
- **August 26<sup>th</sup>** – Big Fish Seminar (this is a Tuesday)
- **September 13<sup>th</sup> - 14<sup>th</sup>** – Big Fish Tournament and Banquet