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San Diego Rod and Reel Club

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December, 2014

Club Meeting

December 4th at
Silvergate Yacht Club
Speaker: Bill Boyce
Meeting: 7:00



Lou Duchene
November 22, 1942
November 14, 2014

Who was Lou Duchene? Lou was a great friend to the San Diego Rod and Reel Club. He joined the San Diego Rod and Reel club in 1982 and after being a member for 2 years, he was elected to the board and served on the board for 30 years. Lou dedicated his life to the San Diego Rod and Reel Club, his passion for the Big Fish Tournament and the kids' fishing programs is what



brought all of us together. Lou was an avid fisherman and loved his trips to Baja.

I first met Lou in 1982 while working at Lincoln Mercury in Escondido; he was the service manager and was my boss. His love of fishing, combined with mine, brought us together to form a lifelong bond. Everyone who knew us, knew that where they found one of us, the other would not be far behind.

Lou will be greatly missed, not only by the San Diego Rod and Reel Club, but also by the entire fishing community. The Big Fish Tournament will never be the same. Alex, Lou wanted you to know he will be watching you, and I will be filling his shoes! So don't even think about it!!

On behalf of Ellie and myself, I would like to thank everyone who came out to the Celebration of Life at the Bali Hai and would especially like to thank Jim Hughes, the owner of the Cortez, for generously donating his boat so we could lay Lou to rest. John Plemons for the wonderful DVD tribute. Pepe Valdvia and Gary Mouritzen for taking all of the photographs, both on the boat and at the Bali Hai.

Lou, till we meet again
Your brother from another
mother,
Tom



Last year Lou celebrated his 71st birthday in the hospital. Just a few months ago, Lou said he wanted to have a Birthday Party for his 72nd birthday. On Saturday, November 22nd, we had his Celebration of Life at the Bali Hai and many were in attendance... on Lou's actual 72nd birthday! Lou is survived by many, but particularly by the San Diego Rod & Reel Club.



VP
Rhonda Ito

Hello FCM's

Happy Holidays!

For the month of December we will be meeting at Silvergate Yacht Club. Please remember, there is NO outside food allowed to be brought in and you MUST park ACROSS the street. There is NO parking in the Silvergate parking lot. Silvergate will not be serving food, so please plan ahead. We have lots of exciting things planned for this meeting, as we do every December.

We are lucky to have Bill Boyce as our speaker and we are sure he will put on an excellent show - as always. Be sure to check out some of his prints for last minute Christmas ideas!

Mr. and Mrs. Claus are scheduled to make an appearance, so parents, if you would like Santa to give your child a "special" gift, please have it wrapped and labeled so we can make that happen for you. All children in attendance

that evening will receive a special gift from Mr. and Mrs. Claus as well, so be sure to bring your cameras. You won't want to miss this "Mr. and Mrs. Claus", we guarantee this will be a once in a life time opportunity!

Lastly, we will once again have our \$10.00 gift exchange. Bring a wrapped \$10.00 gift to the meeting to participate in the gift exchange and be part of the Merry evening!

Till next month,
Tom and Rhonda



PR Director
Tim Foote

We had a very interesting presentation on the development of rock cod with Nick Wegner, a Research Fisheries Biologist with NOAA Fisheries, at our last meeting. They use very sophisticated electronic sensors placed out at the 43 spot in order to track the movements and survival rates of tagged rock fish. Nick explained the importance of using the proper deep water

release of rock fish and how the practice can improve the regulated take of rock fish for sport fishermen in the future.



Bill Boyce will be our guest speaker for the December meeting. Bill is one of the top nature photographers in the country and it is always a great treat to have Bill speak to us. Bill has a Bachelor of Science degree in Fisheries from Humboldt State University. He has been a fisheries biologist with the U.S. Forest Service and worked for the American Tropical Tuna Commission (IATTC), at Scripps Institute of Oceanography in La Jolla. He has presented his slide show regarding tuna and dolphin to the United States Congress in regards to the ratification of an international fisheries treaty.

Bill's articles and images are seen monthly in publications such as Marlin magazine, Sport Fishing, Salt Water Sportsman, Big Game Journal, Pacific Coast Sportfishing, and Australia's Blue Water magazine. Bill has traveled the globe and shot videos for award winning television programs including Inside Sportfishing T.V., for which he worked as an

associate producer. He has also been the host of the offshore fishing show, World Class Sport Fishing, on the Outdoor Channel.

Bring a little extra cash and buy some of his pictures. They look great framed on your wall. Bill has been a strong supporter of our club, so please support him as well. For those of you who are not familiar with Bill's work, please check out his website at <http://www.boyceimage.com/>



Membership
Margie Williams

Happy Holiday Season!

Please join us at our December meeting for our final month of the 2015 membership drive opportunity drawing. If you renew/sign up for your 2015 membership at our December meeting, you will receive one ticket towards winning an overnight trip out of Fisherman's Landing. We will be picking the winner that night! A 2015 membership

costs just \$60...and only \$70 for you and your spouse/family. Please keep in mind that all of the money we raise for the Club goes towards getting kids out on the water and catching that fishing bug!

I also wanted to send out a HUGE thank you to everyone that bought a ladies basket raffle ticket in the months of October and November. All of the proceeds of those two raffles helped my sister and I raise funds to walk in the Susan G. Komen 3-Day Walk. We are truly thankful for each and every one of you for your support!

Keep your lines wet!

-Margie

PICTURE OF THE MONTH



Gordie Howe with his side-pot winning Halibut. There were many weighed in, but not close to what Gordie decided to catch that day! WTG Gordie!!!



Editor
Gary Mouritzen



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For the tournament, I took my youngest, Marco Antonio, and old time FCM, Einar Aguila. We really enjoyed the day on the water and Marco really enjoyed reeling in fish. His best of the day was his Halibut. It put up a good fight and taught him that "the rail is your friend!" A 25 incher!



He wanted to catch more and more – he is hooked! So proud of you, Pappash!! Keep it up and the fish will get bigger and bigger! Now, Get Bent! Gary



Weigh Master's Report November 2014

The November club and inter-club San Diego Bay Tournament went off under beautiful weather and poor tidal movement. The San Diego Rod and Reel Club vs. the San Diego Anglers Club started on a sad note, with the passing of long time SDRRC member and past club president Lou Duchene. He was planning to fish this tournament to help our club reclaim the inter-club trophy. Ellie Duchene fished the tournament on Tom Gruber's boat in honor of Lou and his wish to win back the trophy.

We had a very good turnout for the tournament, but the fishing was difficult for Spotted Bay Bass and Sand Bass. The other targeted species, Halibut, were biting a little better with a total of 9 weighed in for our club.

The club tournament results are as follow: **First Place; Dennis Burlason**, 3.46 lbs. Sand Bass. **Second Place; Cullen Wilson**, 2.00 lbs. Sand Bass. **Third Place; Mike Ito**, 1.38 lbs. Sand Bass. No legal Spotted Bay Bass were caught by adult participants. **First Place Junior Angler; Henry Hammer**, 1.18 lbs. Spotted Bay Bass.

Gordie Howe wins the Halibut side pot with his 11.74 lbs. California Halibut.

The inter-club tournament weights were rounded out to determine the heaviest fish of each species. The winning club is determined by whichever has the largest fish by weight of Sand Bass, Spotted Bay Bass and Halibut.

	<u>SDRRC</u>	<u>SDAC</u>
Sand Bass	2.0 lbs.	3.5 lbs. *
Spotted Bay Bass	1.2 lbs. (way to go Henry)	1.3 lbs. *
Halibut	11.7 lbs. *	6.5 lbs.

The San Diego Anglers Club won by a score of (2 of 3) to our club's (1 of 3) species. (* indicates winning fish) Lou, we'll do better next year!

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

Curtis Itogawa.



CABO!!

By Gary Mouritzen

Our company had a contest for the Top 5 loan officers in our branch would win a trip to Cabo... Guess who got to go?! They set us up in a Beautiful home that looked out to the Pacific. Each day I could see the fleet of boats returning to the marina. With a telescope available off the back porch, I could look to see what flags were flying as I waited patiently for my fishing day to come.



We were there from Nov 6-9 (yes, during the last club meeting!) and my fishing day was set up for Saturday the 9th. We chartered "The Blue Marlin", which was one of the recommendations I found on Bloody Decks. I brought a couple lures with me and 3 bait sticks in hopes



of hooking some fish on bait. The unfortunate thing was that there was a full moon the day before fishing, so the bait was not very appealing. The target fish were Dorado and one of the lures I brought was a King at killing Dorado! It has always produced the largest Dorados I've ever caught (except one, which was on Tany Belanderas' pink Marlin lure a few years back!).



The first fish of the day was a Dorado hitting a black and purple tuna feather. They have a thing about not bringing the Dorado on board before killing it. They want to gaff it, hold it at the side and kill it there rather than letting it go crazy on board. I had that fish to the side of the boat 3 times, but they wouldn't stick the fish. There we are, on open water along a sandy beach with no rocks around. I bring the fish to the side of the boat one more time when what do I see? A



Seal! Next thing you know, I'm in a very Short battle against the seal and the seal won! The next hookup was one of a kind. We had 5 lines out trolling and I had just got done talking to my buddy about how Dorado travel in schools. Five minutes later, Bam! Bam! Bam-Bam - Bam! All 5 lines get hit for a Quintuple Hook Up! Yes, all 5 lines were hooked up with Dorado.

The first rod I grabbed was the one with the "special" Dorado lure, which kept taking line. The other two guys brought in the other two fish while I continued fighting my one. Sure enough, the largest Dorado of them all came up to the gaff ... and I did Not lose it to a seal! Shy of 21 lbs.



It was a great trip with perfect weather (80 during the day, 70 at night). The town was pretty well cleaned up after the hurricane, but you could still see remnants of the disaster. Spanish tile shingles ripped off of buildings, palm trees with no leaves or simply broken in half. A couple hotels still closed down, which has left a lot of people without jobs. Overall, though, the people came together in good spirits and have made the town look good again and many tourists coming in again.

Get Bent, Gary Mouritzen

SAN DIEGO ROD REEL CLUB 2014 WEIGHT RECEIPT LIST

Nov. 2014

LOCAL SPECIES (Plaques)	Lbs.	Name (Men's)	Lbs.	Name (Women's)	Lbs.	Name (Juniors)
Albacore (Local)						
Big Eye Tuna (Local)						
Barracuda (Local)	5.81	Dennis Burlason				
Bluefin Tuna (Local)	31.9	Roman Lira				
Bonito (Local)	10.5	Gary Mouritzen			1.9	Gabriel Mouritzen
Calico Bass	9	Dennis Burlason			1.88	Marco Mouritzen
Rockfish	6.8	Norm Campbell	5.1	Nancy Ortiz	2.8	Matt Jordan
Dorado (Local)	24.38	John Plemons				
Halibut (Local)	18.04	Curt Itogawa	35	DJ Lugwig	19.3	Henry Hammer
Lingcod (Local)	17.35	Harry Okuda	12.3	Millie Velez		
Mako Shark (Local)						
Sand Bass	3.6	Foote/Howerton	2.36	Shelly Cochlin	1.86	Conner Bennett
Spotted Bay Bass	2	Rolly Lira			1.18	Henry Hammer
Striped Marlin (Local)	Rel.x2	John Ashley	121	Millie Velez		
White Sea Bass (Local)						
Yellowfin Tuna (Local)	32.19	Dennis Burlason	19.4	Millie Velez	19.9	Trevor Trussell
Yellowtail (Local)	29.4	Rex Finney				
SPECIES +150 Miles (Certificates)						
Blue Marlin						
Dorado (+150)	20.82	Gary Mouritzen				
Halibut (+150)						
Sailfish (+150)						
Wahoo (+150)	54.06	Paul White				
Yellowfin Tuna (+150)	19.31	Paul White				
Yellowtail (+150)	23	Paul White				
Albacore (+150)						
Barracuda (+150)						
Big Eye Tuna (+150)						
Bluefin Tuna (+150)						
Bonito (+150)						
Lingcod (+150)						
Mako Shark (+150)						
Striped Marlin (+150)						
White Sea Bass (+150)						
Roosterfish	16.3	Curt Itogawa				
Honorable mentions:						
1st Local Striped Marlin (caught or released) Millie Velez, (2)						
1st Albacore						
1st Yellowfin (Local)	18.19	Curt Itogawa				
1st Yellowtail (Local)	29.4	Rex Finney				
1st Dorado (Local)	24.38	John Plemons				

You must submit an official weight receipt or weigh-in during a club tournament in order to be listed.

San Diego Rod and Reel Club Spotted Bay & Sand Bass Tournament results.

18-Nov-14

1st Place: Dennis Burlason, 3.46 lbs. Sand Bass. (5 Men's sport points)

2nd Place: Cullen Wilson, 2.00 lbs. Sand Bass. (No points, fishing guest)

3rd Place: Mike Ito, 1.38 lbs. Sand Bass. (4 Men's sport point)

1st Place Junior Angler: Henry Hammer, 1.18 lbs. Spotted Bay Bass. (5 Junior's sport points)

Side Pot: Gordie Howe, 11.74 lbs. California Halibut.

Sport Points Standing November 2014

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

<u>Men</u>		<u>Ladies</u>		<u>Juniors</u>	
		Ellie			
Dennis Burlason	16 pts.	Duchene	13 pts.	Matt Jordan Jr.	14 pts.
Rex Finney	15 pts.	Shelly Cochlin	9 pts.	Henry Hammer	12 pts.
Curt Itogawa	15 pts.	Nancy Ortiz	8 pts.	Ben Perez	6 pts.
Mike Ito	15 pts.	Rhonda Ito	8 pts.	Trevor Trussel	6 pts.
Tim Foote	14 pts.	Denise Lira	7 pts.	Sara Itogawa	2 pts.
Ed Howerton	10 pts.	D.J. Ludwig	1 pts	Conner Bennett	1 pt.
				Marco	
Fox Ludwig	6 pts.	Janet Fleming	1 pts.	Mouritzen	1 pt.
Rolly Lira	5 pts.				
Tom Gruber	5 pts.				
Daryl White	5 pts.				
Lee Fleming	4 pts.				
John Plemons	4 pts.				
Dennis Johnson	4 pts.				
Lou Duchene	3 pts.				
Jay Perez	2 pts.				
Mike Kline	2 pts.				
Frank Crawford	2 pts.				
Gary Mouritzen	2 pts.				
Tony Jordan	2 pts.				
Pepe Valdivia	2 pts.				
Gordie Howe	2 pts.				
Charles Hammer	2 pts.				
Gary Glockzin Jr,	1 pts.				
Derik Ito	1 pts.				
Bill Fleming	1 pts.				
Robert Wood	1 pts.				
Norm Campbell	1 pts.				
Hector Lopez	1 pts.				

Upcoming Events

- **December 4th** – Lake Poway 2014-2015 Trout Season Opening Day
- **December 4th** – Holidays Celebration meeting at Silver Gate Yacht Club
- **January 8th** – Club Meeting at the Bali Hai
- **February 5th** – Club Meeting at the Bali Hai
- **February 7th** – Poway Lakes Trout Derby / Hotdogs