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San Diego Rod and Reel Club

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## Club Meeting

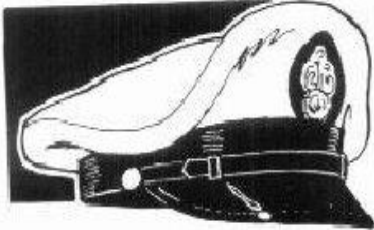
**Wednesday, October 12<sup>th</sup>**

**At the Bali Hai**

**Speaker: Bob Dawson**

**Happy Hour at 6:30**

**Meeting at 7:00**



## President

**Tom Gruber**

Hello FCM's

Here we are into October, my favorite time of the year. The water is still warm, the fish are still biting and the crowds are lighter.

This month's club meeting will be on WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 12<sup>TH</sup> at the beautiful Bali Hai. Larry and his team work so hard to make sure we have a "home" every month, but sometimes we have to change our date; however, we are HAPPY to move it around when necessary.

Our guest speaker this month is Bob Dawson from Safari Travel Insurance. Some of you may remember Bob, he was a club member for years before he really got into hunting and safari's. Bob has also been a guest on Let's Talk Hoop Up with Pete Gray and Rock Cod Rick. His presentation will be

very informative for everyone, as he talks about travel insurance even for long range fishing trips.

October is our early bird sign-ups for the 2017 year. Since this is the first month for early bird sign-ups, fellow club member John Jocher is going to be donating prizes for a special kids raffle, so bring the family. Also, we have some incentives for you adults to renew your membership during the early bird months!

We have a couple of openings on the board if you would like to give back to your club and be a board member. It is a very rewarding experience and we have a fun group of people currently on the board that makes it fun.

We will have a great raffle and lots of great fish stories as 12 of your club members will be fresh back from Palmas De Cortez down in Baja.

This month's tournament will be a Halibut tournament with a Bass side pot on October 15<sup>th</sup>. See details in the bulletin. We would like to have a BBQ afterwards if someone would like to volunteer to put it together. Please call me and let's get it arranged!

Lastly, I will be collecting the tournament fees from the last tournament at the October meeting. Those who fished it, please be sure to bring your entry fee. Since there were no Dorado

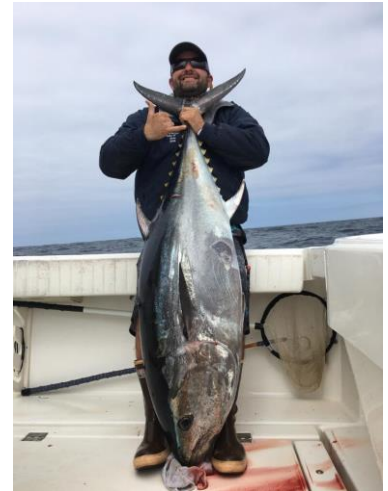
caught, you can hold onto your \$10.

Until then, tight lines and great fishing,

Tom

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## Picture of the Month



Michael Mooradian's Tuna:

"It was on a friends boat called Get Knotty. We left at 3am from SWYC and started trolling a yummy flier from the kite at 6:30am around the 43 area. The bite was around 11am when it happened to be my turn on the rod. After making a big splash and inhaling the yummy, he ran almost 600 yards, nearly spooling me, until I put the reel into full and we started to chase him down a bit. After that, it was steady to the boat. We marked other fish the rest of the day, but didn't get any other strikes. He weighed 112 lbs gilled and gutted, so probably about 120 - 130 lbs whole weight. "



**VP**  
**Norm Campbell**

Hello FCMS,

Here we are in October! Where did this year go? I can only say this has been a difficult year for fishing. We have seen the largest Bluefin ever available in our waters and adapted back east techniques to catch them on kites and yummy flyers. While the tuna are close in, they are difficult to catch, to say the least. I usually always catch, this year I have several trips with no tuna to show for the effort.

We have seen the tuna seiners catching small yellowfin and I could not figure out why. I was later informed they are grinding these small yellowfin to feed the bluefin in the pens as sardines are in decline due to the 50 year life cycle of the species. In the near future we will have only anchovies to use for bait. When I was a young fisherman, not able to see over the top rail, the only bait available were anchovies. It doesn't take a crystal ball to see this in our future. As far as the small yellowfin being fed to the bluefin in pens, it will affect the future years of fishing yellowfin.

I am a board member of the CCA "Coastal Conservation Association" to do as much as possible to protect the future of our fishery. If you are not a member yet, please consider joining as it will be the best \$30 dollar investment you can make to protect the sport we enjoy so much.

Our next scheduled tournament is for Halibut. This should be a fun filled day fishing for these wonderful tasting bottom dwellers. We will have the rules and such in an email and discuss this at the meeting on **WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 12th**, at the Bali Hai. Please note the change in date. Until then, get out and enjoy a day of fishing!

Norm

**SEA TOW**



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

It was a pleasant day on the water for the Paddy Hopper Tournament, but the fishing went south (literally). The fishing was so slow, some boats came in early and some just stayed out trying the catch something. Only one boat made it to the weigh-in with fish. Gary Mouritzen wins the tournament with a 17.06 lbs. Yellowfin Tuna. Leonardo Torres takes the junior division with his 17.34 lbs. Yellowfin Tuna, fishing onboard Gary's boat, "Get Bent". If Gary does not divulge his winning secrets in this newsletter, we will get him to talk at the next meeting. I want to thank Gabriel Sequera for performing the duties of Weigh Master for this tournament.

The results of the tournament are as follows:

1<sup>st</sup> Place: Gary Mouritzen, 17.06 lbs. Yellowfin Tuna. (Men's sport points 5)

Leonardo Torres, 17.34 lbs. Yellowfin Tuna. (Junior sport points 5)

There were no qualifying fish caught for the side pot.

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

Curtis Itogawa.



**Clothing Master**  
**Rhonda Ito**

Hello FCM's,

For the month of October, I will have the final inventory of Big Fish apparel. We have T-Shirts in all sizes and a couple of hats and bags left. I will also have the rest of the inventory with me as well:

- \$12.00 Men's T-Shirts With and Without Pockets
- \$25.00 Hooded Sweatshirts Pullover & Zipper
- \$25.00 Pullover Sweatshirts
- \$30.00 Men's Polo Shirts
- \$10.00 Men's Tank Tops
- \$15.00 Men's Long Sleeve Shirts
- \$12.00 Ladies T-Shirts in Oval and V-Neck style
- \$15.00 Ladies Long Sleeve in Lavender and Gray
- \$10.00 Ladies Tank Tops
- \$20.00 Ladies Golf Shirts
- \$30.00 Ladies Button Down Dress Shirts
- \$12.00 Baseball Hats
- \$10.00 Beanie's
- \$35.00 Zippered Sweat Jackets

If you have some thoughts on what you would like to see, please email me at [Rhondag4fishin@cox.net](mailto:Rhondag4fishin@cox.net). Till next month,  
Rhonda  
619-829-5146



**Raffle Master**  
**Ellie Duchene**

Hello FCM'S,

With heartfelt thanks and appreciation for coming through again for the Big Fish raffles. The main raffle, ladies raffle and silent auction were a huge success. Thank you for your continued support.

Looking forward to our October raffle where we will have some great items to give away. Janet made an amazing lobster basket, which we will be raffling off. So plan on attending.

I want to thank Sharon and Sue for helping with the raffle, and also Gary Mouritzen – he is always there when we need him. Also Aden for his help checking ticket numbers and passing out prizes, he did a great job!

See you in October!!!!

Roll the Barrel,

Ellie



**Membership**  
**Gabriel Segura**

Fishing Club Members,

Early Bird sign-ups for your 2017 membership begins at the October meeting. Be sure to stop by the table for your chance to win a great prize just for signing up early!

If you lost your name badge, would like a duplicate or never received one, stop by the sign in table! Name badges are \$5 and while you are there, don't forget to sign in. We will be raffling a rod and reel combo at the end of the year and every member that signs in gets a ticket going towards that raffle! All membership applications and name badge applications can be mailed to the clubs P.O. Box – found at the bottom of the membership application.

Till next time Club Members,  
“Don't forget to get your FISH ON!”  
Gabe Segura



**Editor  
Gary Mouritzen**



**SUPREME  
LENDING**

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Hello FCM's,

If you missed my posting on Bloody Decks, here's my report on my son Marco's awesome fishing day:

Decided to take my "soon to be 10" year old son to the Islands in hopes to get him hooked up on his 1st Yellowtail. We went straight to South Island and began slow trolling deans at 8:00 am. Within 5 minutes we had a double on Bonito. I made sure one was hooked and then put it back in the rod holder. My son fought the first one, and then I had him reel in the 2nd one.



Back to slow trolling and we get hit again within minutes... This was the right kind! The fish did the typical YT Dance and took my son for a ride. He wanted help, so I gave him a rod belt! I told him, "No, you can do this... you can win this battle!" Finally we get color and his first YT is on board!! He was SO stoked that he accomplished the battle ... even more so that it was on his own.



After he limited out on Bonito, we decided to hit S. Kelp. On the way down, we find a door floating. Had to be from the Invicta that sank this weekend. Since it was an obvious hazard, I took it out of the water and put it on the side rail. Next thing I know, I'm picking up big chunks of this and that, a lot with exposed screws that could do some damage to somebody's boat and/or prop. My good deed for the year is done!! The boat is now history, so if you want a piece of that history, PM me.



Get Bent!  
Gary

## San Diego Rod and Reel Club Paddy Hopper Tournament results.

September 22, 2016

### Tournament Results:

- 1st Place: Gary Mouritzen, 17.06 lbs. Yellowfin Tuna. (5 Men's sport points)  
 2nd Place: No qualifying catch. (4 Men's sport points)  
 3rd Place: No qualifying catch. (3 Men's sport point)

### **Side Pot; No qualifying fish caught.**

Juniors:

Leonardo Torres, 17.34 lbs. Yellowfin Tuna.  
 (5 Junior sport points)



### Sport Points Standing September 2016

(Includes points from tournament placing and 1 point for members fishing the tournament.)

<u>Men's</u>	<u>Ladies</u>	<u>Juniors</u>
Rex Finney 20 pts.	Rhonda Ito 8 pts.	Leonardo Torres 7 pts.
Daryl White 10 pts.	Shelly Cochlin 2 pts.	Macy Mooradian 1 pts.
Rolly Lira 8 pts.	Sue Campbell 2 pts.	Sara Itogawa 1 pts.
Gary Mouritzen 7 pts.		Marco Mouritzen 1 pts.
John Plemons Jr. 7 pts.		Aden Talbot 1 pts.
Tom Gruber 7 pts.		Claire Chukta 1 pts.
Curt Itogawa 6 pts.		Maddie Chukta 1 pts.
Dennis Burlason 6 pts.		
Tim Foote 6 pts.	<b>Men's cont'</b>	
Ed Howerton 5 pts.	John Plembons 1 pts.	
Norm Campbell 4 pts.	Rubert Rosas 1 pts.	
Dennis Johnson 3 pts.	Tyson Lew 1 pts.	
Mike Ito 2 pts.	James Nygen 1 pts.	
Tony Belandres 2 pts.		
John Plemons Sr. 2 pts.		
Kirk Johnson 2 pts.		
Michael Mooradian 1 pts.		
Gabriel Sequra 1 pts.		
Michael Guidroz ! pts.		
John Chukta 1 pts.		
Harry Okuda 1 pts.		
Jim Simons 1 pts.		



A great ending to a slow day of fishing! We left at 10:00 pm and motored out to San Clemente Island, but no fish were being caught. Why?! I finally get to go out there and the 80-200 pound fish are gone!! We finally came upon fish at the 9 where we found Dolphin and birds. Run and gun, chasing them and it finally paid off! Leo got his on a Hookup Bait and I got mine on the sardine color Butterfly Jig (flat iron). At the filet table, decided to see what they've been eating... Leo's fish was stuffed with small mackerel and ... a small Yellowtail!! So, technically he caught both species of the tournament!



# October Tournament

Halibut Tournament  
October 15, 2016



- Lines in: @6:00AM
- Weigh in: 3:00PM – 4:00PM At the Wave on Shelter Island
- Location: Any waters you can reach and make it back in time for the weigh in
- Species: California Halibut
- Price: \$20.00 per angler for members  
\$25.00 per nonmember (guests)
- Junior Angler: Fish for free, \$25.00 gift card for 1<sup>st</sup> place, \$15.00 gift card for 2<sup>nd</sup> place and \$10.00 gift card for 3<sup>rd</sup> place.
- Guests: All guests may fish 2 tournaments without being a member as long as they are fishing on a member's boat or have a member with them on their boat.  
**ALL PERSONS AND GUESTS ON EVERY BOAT MUST BE ENTERED INTO THE TOURNAMENT**
- Tournament Rules: The three largest Halibut will determine the 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> place winners
- Sports Points: Each Angler's single largest fish will go to determining the sports points. The top three heaviest fish will receive 5 points for 1<sup>st</sup>, 4 points for 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3 points for 3<sup>rd</sup> respectively in Men's, Women's and Juniors.
- Side Pot: Largest Bass. Cost: \$10.00 All Angler's 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 master's watch. Any questions, call Curt at 760-791-7225.
- Tournament Master: (Tom Gruber – Temporary) May call off any tournament due to small craft warnings or postpone at his discretion. Any questions, call Tom 760-533-6920.
- You must notify Tom by 8:00PM on October 14<sup>th</sup> if you are fishing and with whom, as well as if you are in the side pot. Any Angler who notifies the club they are fishing will be expected to pay the appropriate fees at the weigh in.

**SAN DIEGO ROD REEL CLUB 2016 WEIGHT RECEIPT LIST**

Sept. 22, 2016

<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>	8.18	Daryl White				
<b>Bluefin Tuna (Local)</b>	147.3	Dennis Burlason				
<b>Bonito (Local)</b>	11.1	Rolly Lira			4.88	Marco Mouritzen
<b>Calico Bass</b>	9.26	Dennis Burlason	9	Josephine Pemberton		
<b>Rockfish</b>	3.02	Rex Finney	2.9	Rhonda Ito		
<b>Dorado (Local)</b>						
<b>Halibut (Local)</b>	13.5	Tony Balandres	5.8	Shelly Cochlin		
<b>Lingcod (Local)</b>			4.14	Shelly Cochlin		
<b>Wahoo (Local)</b>						
<b>Sand Bass</b>	2.5	Daryl White	3.38	Shelly Cochlin		
<b>Spotted Bay Bass</b>	2.6	Dennis Burlason				
<b>Striped Marlin (Local)</b>						
<b>Dary White</b>						
<b>Yellowfin Tuna (Local)</b>	17.06	Gary Mouritzen			17.3	Leonardo Torres
<b>Yellowtail (Local)</b>	33.55	Michael Mooradian			7.69	Marco Mouritzen
<b>SPECIES +150 Miles (Certificates)</b>						
<b>Blue Marlin (+150)</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>	35	Curt Itogawa				
<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>						

**Honorable mentions:**

<b>Billfish Release:</b>		
<b>1st Albacore</b>		
<b>1st Yellowfin (Local)</b>	17	Gary Mouritzen
<b>1st Yellowtail (Local)</b>	32	Hector Lopez
<b>1st Dorado (Local)</b>		

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