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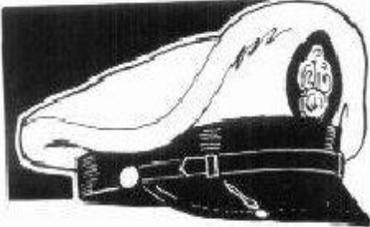
January, 2017

San Diego Rod and Reel Club

(760) 533-6920

Club Meeting

January 5th, 2017
Happy Hour at 6:30
Meeting at 7:00



President
Tom Gruber

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year's!

Where has the time gone? Next time we meet it will be 2017. 2016 was a great fishing year; one for the record books!

I want to thank Tony Belandres and Bill Renick for stepping up and committing to joining the board of directors. I am still looking for two more people to join the team. These are the people that make your club what it is today.

How about the Christmas Party at Silver Gate Yacht Club?! I hope everyone had a great time. It was great to see so many fellow club members and their families attend this event. **We had an amazing raffle thanks to Ellie and Sharon. **The target raffle by Janet was beautifully done as always.

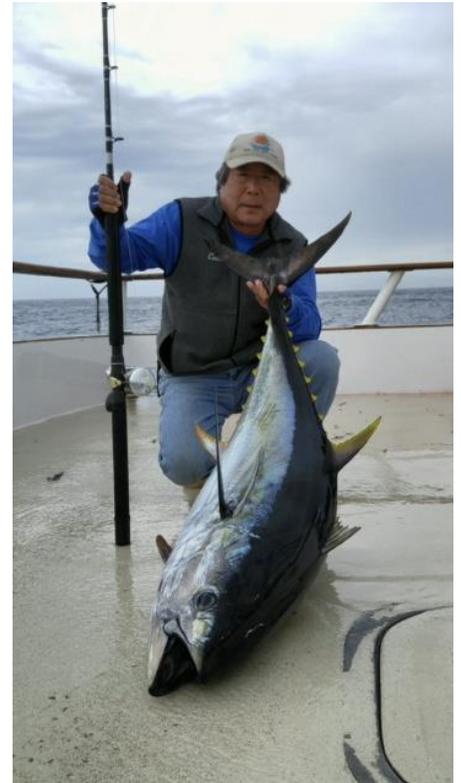
**A huge thank you to the Boy Scouts for donating a Christmas tree.
**And the ladies raffle by Sue was another huge success!
**Thank you to Mr. and Mrs. Claus, we know you are very busy this time of year.
**Pepe, thank you for taking all the Christmas photos.
**Also, I would like to thank Sharon for donating the poinsettia plants that we raffled off at the end.

We had a ladies coat left at the event and will bring it to the January meeting, please see one of the board members if it is yours.

Our speaker for January is Kirk Mitchell who will be talking about traveling and fishing in Baja.

Until 2017,
Happy Holidays and Tight Lines
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Picture of the Month



Curt Itogawa decided to head out to Guadalupe Island and caught this 112 pound beast. See his article for what knot helped him.





VP
Norm Campbell

Hello FCMS,

The fishing has slowed down. The Bluefin bite at Tanner Bank has been slower and the weather is a factor; I mean, after all, it is winter!

I enjoyed a visit to Hubs Sea World where Lil Norm the Halibut is swimming in the quarantine tank. The survival rate is at 100%, I am happy to report. The care and handling at capture and transport was obviously excellent. The fifteen Halibut and one White Seabass are adding to the genetic diversity of the program. There are more Halibut needed for the program and there will be a trip in the New Year to get additional Brood Stock. I learned quite a bit on the tour; currently the breeding program has several species that I was unaware of. Most know of the White Seabass program, the others are Yellowtail, Halibut and some beautiful tropical fish.

The tropical fish program had Fire Angelfish that are truly beautiful. The problem is, they

are very shy and tend to stay hidden in the reef and impossible to catch. So, leave it up to us humans to figure a way to catch them. I was informed the method used is to infuse cyanide on the reef to get the shy fish out. Many things die in the process, the coral, several other species, and yes, some of the Fire Angles die as well. The stunned and poisoned fish are quickly sold to the first of many middlemen on the way to the retail aquarium stores. Only the truly strong make it to the tanks in someone's home. They are very expensive as far as money goes, but the true cost of all the other creatures killed in the process seems to be too expensive. So, to raise these beautiful, highly prized little beauties in captivity, really seems like a great way to go.

The big picture is starting to be seen, and hopefully for the sake of our children, the generations to come will benefit. There are a lot of very smart folks in the Hubbs program and the results of their hard work will truly benefit our world. The Yellowtail in the Brood tank were 50-60 pounders. Man, I wanted to throw a Tady Iron so bad, kinda just a natural reaction, but that would just be wrong on so many levels. However, I do know where to get the next derby winner! Just kidding! The security down there is very good.

I look forward to seeing everyone after the holidays and on to a New Year of endless possibilities. May 2017 be your best year ever!!
Norm



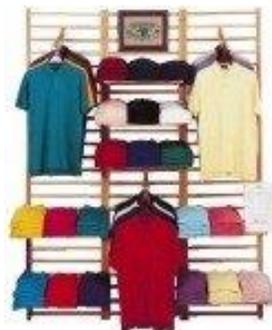
Weigh Master
Curt Itogawa

It is the Holiday Season, so that means it is the end of the club's fishing season. I now have the task of compiling the awards for this past year. We are going to have a great awards banquet, so stay tuned for all the details to come later.

I spoke at our Christmas party about my recent fishing trip to Guadalupe Island. Because I had a knot failure on my previous trip, I changed from using a San Diego Jam knot to using a Trilene knot to tie on the hook. I highly recommend the Trilene knot for these mean tuna. You can see how to tie this knot by going to Let's Talk Hookup videos on YouTube, video #39 "Royal Star Trilene Knot". Rick Jensen has chartered the Royal Polaris for another 6 day Guadalupe Island trip next November. If you are interested in a great trip, give him a call: Rick Jensen, Sportfishing Financial (949)481 1807.

Have a happy Holiday Season and until our next weigh-in, stay safe and have fun.

Curtis Itogawa



Clothing Master
Rhonda Ito

Hello FCM's,

I hope everyone had a wonderful Christmas and a great New Year's Eve!

For the month of January, we are having a

**HUGE
BLOWOUT
SALE!**

on all clothing
(except sweat jackets).

**ALL t-shirts and tank tops
will be \$5.00
and**

ALL dress shirts ... \$10.00!

This is **Limited Time Offer** and is available to what we have on hand in inventory only. So, **don't miss out on this great sale**, we want to order new inventory and need a start fresh.

If you have any thoughts on items you would like to see on the clothing table, be sure to drop me a note or let me know at the meeting.

Till next month,
Rhonda



Raffle Master
Ellie Duchene

Hello FCM'S,

Wow another great Christmas party, raffle, beautiful baskets, jewelry and Mr. and Mrs. Santa arriving to Silvergate was fabulous. I appreciate so many members and new members attending, it was truly a fun evening. Thank you Tom for putting together the raffle table - it was a huge success.

As another year comes to a close, I would like to thank the board for all the hours and commitment they all put into making this club run smoothly and keeping the ship steady. It isn't always easy to do, but the dedication and loyalty is there for all members to appreciate and enjoy.

Thanks to Gary and Frankie for always helping Sharon and I to assist with the raffle, and for our little Santa's helpers reading and checking raffle tickets.

Gabe has agreed to do the shopping for the January raffle, so please plan on attending. I know he will do a great job.

See you all in January!!!
Roll the Barrel...

Love, Ellie



Membership
Gabriel Segura

Membership drive continues!

Tell your friends, family, past members, and future members- that the SDRRC is open for 2017 sign ups, we would love to have you back! Membership rates are: \$60.00 for one year membership and an additional \$10.00 for spouse or family member ... children under 17 are free.

Also, bring a friend to a meeting and get 20 free raffle tickets!

So, if you love fishing- saltwater or freshwater, come and spend a few hours hanging out and check out what's going on around the fishing community. I'm sure you'll love it!

Our club membership application can also be found on our web page. You can print and mail your membership application to us. The SDRRC P.O. Box can be found at the bottom of our membership application.

Thank You All & Happy
Holidays!
Gabe Segura



Editor
Gary Mouritzen



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Happy New Year to all!!

So, what to fish for? More Bluefin, bottom critters, bay fish, Lobsters, etc.?! So many choices, I don't know where to start! I want to kick off the New Year with some fishing!

50 lb Bluefin off the Tanner Bank using live squid with sliding glow-in-the-dark sinkers sounds fun! Or keep the expenses down and fish the coast and/or bay with my little one. I don't think he's ready for a 50 lb tuna yet, but he did gain some experience on a heavy pulling Yellowtail this year! Maybe we try for the 1st Yellowtail??

So many options... I love living in San Diego!

Marco was so stoked on the pull of his first Yellowtail that he wants more. He loves the battle! You know your kid is officially into it when he gets tired of catching Bonito and wants something that fights harder! The next battle is to help him get his sea legs!! He's not old enough for Bonine, he had the wrist band on that day, and Dramamine is crap. So, he just needs to spend more time on the water and figure out a way to get over it.

My older brother is the one that got me into fishing. It seemed like every half day trip and rock cod trip I did, I got sea sick; but I loved fishing so much that I was willing to endure the pain just for that one hookup. It doesn't help that I have an equilibrium problem with my one bad ear. Heck, I get dizzy just picking up a pen off the floor and standing up too quickly. Yet, I have a boat and I love going fishing!

What's my medicine? Well, a combo of things. Have you ever heard of feeding a Cold? Well, I feed the sea sickness cold!! I take Bonine the night before and then eat and drink specific foods throughout the day. Ask Kirk Johnson... he doesn't even have to take a food order before we go out – he already knows what I want!! LOL

If I go on a long-range trip, then the patch is the way I go. I put it on my bad ear side and then I'm stable. I remember being on a long-range trip with the patch. I took a shower and then accidentally wiped the patch off

with the towel. The next day I started feeling queasy and couldn't understand why. I started my food routines to get over it. A few hours later, I was putting on sunscreen why I realized I didn't have the patch on anymore ... No Wonder!

Well, I have to say, I am very envious of those who don't get seasick and I know there are temporary ways of fixing my ear (with a temporary tube), but the daily routines of my life are more cumbersome to avoid water getting in my ear. So, I will stick with pigging out on my fishing trips!!

The only regret I have for 2016 was that I didn't get a Dorado. I got everything else I hoped for, along with my surprise Wahoo! That was my personal best and I was more than happy – especially because I didn't have a wire leader!

Get Bent!
Gary



Jr.
FCM Leo Torres with 2 of the Lobsters he got during an outing with his school's fishing club. A very successful bugging charter!

SAN DIEGO ROD REEL CLUB 2016 WEIGHT RECEIPT LIST						Dec. 14, 2016	
LOCAL SPECIES (Plaques)	Lbs.	Name (Men's)	Lbs.	Name (Women's)	Lbs.	Name (Juniors)	
Albacore (Local)							
Big Eye Tuna (Local)							
Barracuda (Local)	8.18	Daryl White	6.5	Josephine Pemberton			
Bluefin Tuna (Local)	252	Chad Reed					
Bonito (Local)	11.1	Rolly Lira	7.75	Josephine Pemberton	4.88		Marco Mouritzen
Calico Bass	9.26	Dennis Burlason	9	Josephine Pemberton			
Rockfish	3.02	Rex Finney	2.9	Rhonda Ito			
Dorado (Local)							
Halibut (Local)	13.5	Tony Balandres	7.92	Rhonda Ito			
Lingcod (Local)			4.14	Shelly Cochlin			
Wahoo (Local)							
Sand Bass	2.5	Daryl White	3.38	Shelly Cochlin			
Spotted Bay Bass	2.6	Dennis Burlason	2.06	Josephine Pemberton			
Striped Marlin (Local)							
White Sea Bass							
Yellowfin Tuna (Local)	17.06	Gary Mouritzen			17.3		Leonardo Torres
Yellowtail (Local)	33.55	Michael Mooradiar	14.6	Josephine Pemberton	7.69		Marco Mouritzen
SPECIES +150 Miles (Certificates)							
Blue Marlin (+150)							
Dorado (+150)			35.3	Shelly Cochlin			
Halibut (+150)							
Sailfish (+150)							
Wahoo (+150)	27	Gary Mouritzen					
Yellowfin Tuna (+150)	112	Curt Itogawa	22.1	Shelly Cochlin			
Yellowtail (+150)	35	Curt Itogawa					
Albacore (+150)							
Barracuda (+150)							
Big Eye Tuna (+150)							
Bluefin Tuna (+150)							
Bonito (+150)							
Lingcod (+150)							
Mako Shark (+150)							
Striped Marlin (+150)	240	Gary Mouritzen					
White Sea Bass (+150)							
Roosterfish							

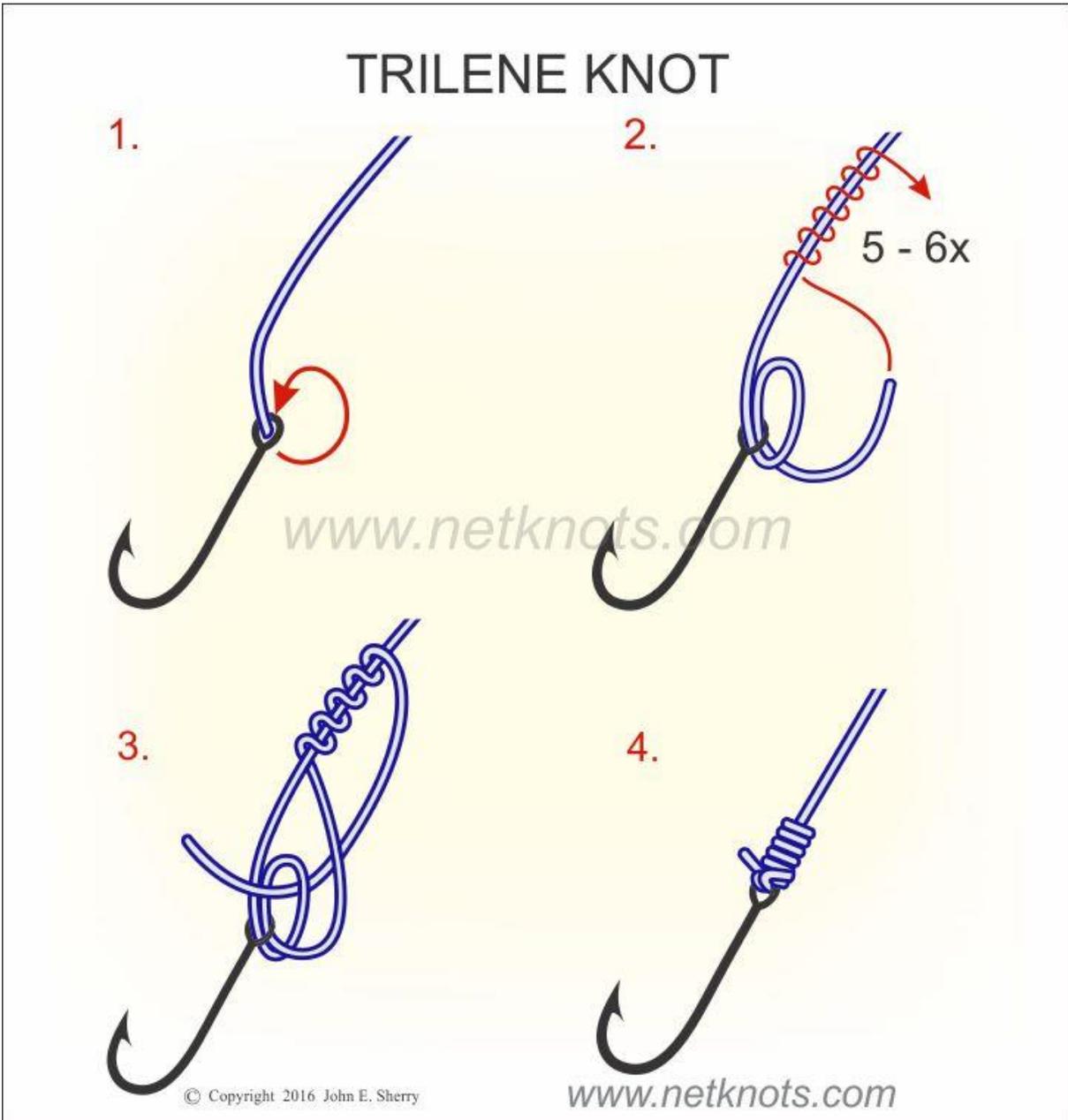
Honorable mentions:

Billfish Release:	1ea.	Gary Mouritzen & Tim Foote
1st Albacore		
1st Yellowfin (Local)	17	Gary Mouritzen
1st Yellowtail (Local)	32	Hector Lopez
1st Dorado (Local)		

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

Trilene Knot

How to tie the Trilene Knot: The Trilene Knot is a strong and reliable connection to be used in joining monofilament or fluorocarbon to swivels, snaps, hooks and artificial lures. The knot is said to retain 85-90% of the original line strength. The double wrap of line through the eyelet provides a protective measure for added safety.



Tying Instructions Pass the end of the line through the eye of the hook or lure two times creating a loop behind the eye.

Make five or six wraps around the standing line with the tag end.

Feed the tag end through both loops.

Moisten knot and pull tight with steady pressure.