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**July, 2018**

**San Diego Rod and Reel Club**

**(760) 533-6920**

## Club Meeting

**\*\* July 11th \*\***

**\*\* At Silver Gate Yacht Club \*\***

Speaker: Steven Mote from CCA

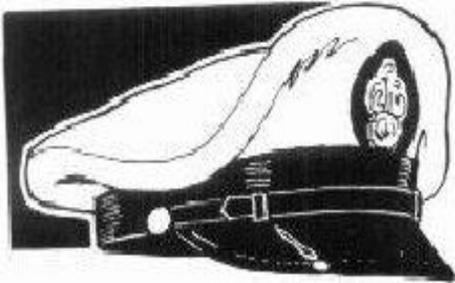
Happy Hour at 6:30

**Meeting begins at 7:00**

fish in the bait tank -- perfectly normal kid behavior. After all, a fish in the hand beats fish in the ocean any day of the week. One little guy went home soaking wet from water that sloshed out. Yep, we saw -- and we didn't do a thing about it!

reasons. Instead, **this August we are planning the Biggest Fish Tournament.** Simple explanation: from an assortment of eligible fish, biggest fish wins. Future plans include a **surf fishing tournament in September** (see Tim Foote's 'surf cannon' post on the club's Facebook page), and we're hoping for another **twilight charter in October**, before the time change.

Until next month,  
Tom 760-533-6920  
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**President**  
**Tom Gruber**

Hello, Fellow Club Members!

We just had the BEST time on the June 23<sup>rd</sup> twilight charter! It was not too crowded, even with the boat at full capacity, but it was a great evening. Most went to have fun; few were very serious about their fishing. Even though you had the option to earn tournament points, for most it was just a relaxing evening out with friends and family. The kids were SO excited. It was great to see members' kids and some of the older members' grandkids getting such a thrill out of fishing, or just being on the boat. Many were so proud to get to go out on the BIG boat and fish just like the grownups. Some of us old-time club members fished a bit and then sat on the engine hatch with beers, reminiscing about other trips with our kids, and now with grandkids. Many kids were riveted by the up-close

Not too many got into the optional tournament, but many got into the side pot. Congrats to renewed member **Tyson Lew**, who scored \$410 on the side pot and generously split it with the crew of the New Seaforth. Winners of the tournament were **Tim Foote**, new member **Jon Deinard**, and **Curt Itogawa**.

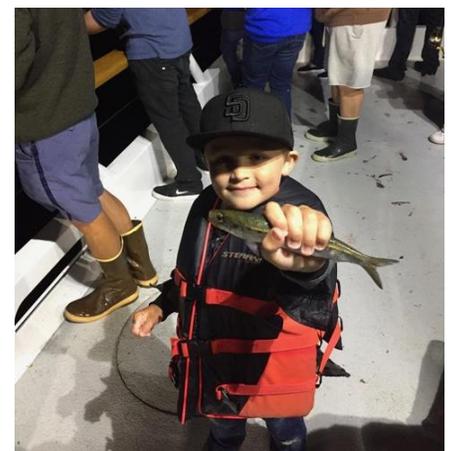
**Our next tournament for yellowtail is scheduled for July 21<sup>st</sup>. It's 'open boundaries'**, because there probably aren't many yellowtail in the bay, right? The weigh-in is planned for Pepper Park, or it may get moved the day before, depending on the location of the bite. Better check in with Pepe and keep an eye for our emails and our Facebook posts.

**July's meeting is at Silver Gate Yacht Club on Wednesday, July 11<sup>th</sup>.** The speaker will be **Steven Mote** from CCA -- Coastal Conservational Association California. There may possibly be an additional speaker with tips on catching yellowtail.

As you have already heard, we are skipping our Big Fish Tournament this year, for many



## Picture of the Month



Twilight trip happy camper with his full fisted sardine. Even bait makes kids happy, so take them fishing every moment you get!



**VP**  
**Bill Renick**

Hello FCMs

The future will be busy. In addition to tournaments in July and August, we will also support kids events at Crystal pier (July 22nd), Shelter Island Pier and Chula Vista Harborfest (in August).

**Please sign up for the Crystal Pier event so we can be sure to register you for entry at the gate.**

I also have a request from the City to take kids fishing. It would be small groups and not worth chartering a sport fishing boat. I am open to your ideas.

I am asking again about getting the SDRRC Kids Fishing event back on our calendar. We could use our own boats, catch a lot during the daytime and have an early evening picnic. Please see me at a meeting or email me via the club website if you want to change things.

Please contact me if you have any suggestions or ideas for future club events! I look forward to working with all of you.  
Bill



**Tournament Master**  
**Pepe Valdivia**

July Yellowtail Tournament  
Saturday, July 21st, 2018

Ok all you fisher-persons, it's time to get our fishing gear in the water and go fishing. Yellowtail have been biting in good numbers for several weeks now, and bass are being caught in very good numbers from Imperial Beach to La Jolla. If we can get lucky with some great weather like we have had for the previous tournaments so far this year, we should have a great day of fishing and catching. The tournament is 'open boundaries', and the weigh-in is from 4:00 to 5:00 at the Pepper Park Launch Ramp in National City. The side pot is for Bass --Calico Bass, Sand Bass, and Spotted Bay Bass.

The July tournament is only \$20 for SDRRC members and \$25 for a guest. Juniors (kids who were under age 16 on 1/1/2018) fish for free, so please take a junior fishing. Please pay for the Yellowtail Tournament at the July meeting. The meeting is on Wednesday the 11th, at Silver Gate Yacht Club.

We have had good participation for our tournaments in April and in May. The winners for these tournaments have received some very good awards, but we have not had a winner for the side pot yet. We should, because it's for bass, and there are lots of them to catch right now. Read the report for the June Twilight Trip. The amount that was won by our Club Member, Tyson Lew, was an \$\$\$ UNBELIEVABLE JACKPOT \$\$\$!

Don't forget to get some of the kids fishing, please. We had 17 kids fishing on the Twilight trip and they had a great time.

Please read the July Tournament Rules sheet in this newsletter for more details.

Until the next hookup,  
Pepe



Sea Tow



**Weigh Master**  
**John Chuckta**

**THE TWILIGHT TRIP HAD A  
HUGE HAUL –  
ONE TON OF FUN!!**

We had a great turnout on Saturday, June 21st on our club's sponsored Twilight Charter on the New Seaforth out of Seaforth Sportfishing in Mission Bay. For the 75 people who attended, adults and kids, everyone had a great time!

We left the landing about 6:00pm and all of us wanted to know how the people coming back on the New Seaforth had scored, hoping we could do the same. They were coming back from an afternoon at the Imperial Beach flats, catching lots of Sand Bass and some Calicos. But, they had a rough ride back to Mission Bay. The wind was blowing from the south and made for some sick people, especially those with rental rods. The wind didn't seem to be getting any better for us.

We had some small anchovies with some good size sardines from the bait barge. Instead of heading towards IB, the captain thought we should go close by, towards La Jolla. We stayed in just two, maybe three places for

the entire time. The first move was fast, because the boat moved off the original spot and the captain wanted to fish. From the beginning, our group of adults and kids were hooked up with some legal Calico Bass. That was our species for most of the trip, with some rockfish in the mix. We had a few people who came to watch and have a few to drinks. Some kids stayed by the bait tank touching and talking to the bait. I'm sure they smelled fishy all the way home!

Most people on the trip tried the excellent cookies Mary sent along for all of us to enjoy. She even made some oatmeal cookies for those of us with nut allergies. I had three, including a tasty dark chocolate espresso cookie. Thanks, Mary.

We are making plans to schedule another Twilight Trip in October. I bet we'll have as much fun on the next trip as we all did on this one. I'm sure many of the same people will want to go again, so make sure to pay for the trip as soon as we start collecting for it. For those of you trying to win the Sportsman of the Year Award, we also include a tournament on the charter, so you can continue to score Sportsman's Points.

I'm sure we'll have another good-sized side pot. On this twilight trip, the **side pot winner was Tyson Lew**. His Calico Bass was just under 4# and he won \$410! Congratulations to Tyson, who brought his two daughters; they all had a great time.

The winners of the June Tournament were;  
**1st Place, Tim Foote,**  
**2nd Place Jon Deinard, and**  
**3rd Place Curt Itogawa.**

The Junior winners were;  
**1st Place, Cooper Lopez;**  
**2nd Place, Davon Gonzalez;**  
**and tied for 3rd Place,**  
**Maddie Chuckta and Evan Lopez.**

Their prizes were gift cards. The kids' Side Pot prizes were five rod and reel combos, awarded to **Claire Chuckta, Rachael Nguyen, Michael Goodsell** (also the bait tank champion!), and two others who evidently were too excited to give their names!

**Testimonial from**  
**Mike Goodsell:**

My 5 year old grandson, Michael, had a great time on the recent club twilight trip, his first on a sport boat. Unlike my boat, he was impressed that he was able to buy chips and a hotdog. He caught several bass but his greatest fun was playing in the bait tank. His father told him to stop. I replied, "Leave him alone, we all did this at his age, you included!" The fishing rod was an unexpected bonus for him. As he often says, "This was the greatest day ever!"

John Chuckta  
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**Clothing Master**  
**Mary Belandres**

(That's actually Mary pictured!)

### ARE YOU ONLY HALF-DRESSED?

If you you're not stepping out in a San Diego Rod and Reel Club T-shirt or sweat shirt along the waterfront, in tackle shops or at angling events, why? You may as well be only half-dressed! Gain instant recognition and street cred when you proclaim, without a word, that you belong to this elite group. Prepare to gain instant stature once they get a look at your logo. Little alligators and polo ponies can't hold a candle to our proud symbol of exclusivity, am I right? Play it cool in a tee-shirt, then one-up them with your cool factor!

All those kids who went out on the Twilight charter were waaaay excited to be out fishing on the big boat, just like the hard core, experienced grownups. Can you imagine how thrilled they'd be to not only walk the walk, but prove their status to their pals? Get your little fishing buddy a kid's tee or sweatshirt - they start at

just \$14. Better yet, get matching shirts!

We're halfway to the combination of 24 tees and sweatshirts that we need ordered before we send our list to the silk screener. We try to get an assortment of sizes that are likely to be wanted. But by ordering exactly the sizes, styles, and colors wanted, it helps keep us from ending up with an odd assortment that wasn't needed this time around. We want to have 24 pre-ordered, and then we'll complete the required order of 48 items with our best guess at another 24 in various sizes. Order now, rather than counting on us to not run out of your size, cut, or preferred color. Ladies, don't settle for wearing a guy's shirt – get one that fits you properly. 2 extra raffle tickets for mentioning to the raffle table that “I need to buy a T-Shirt.”

We only have four of those great folding chairs left, so if you've had your eye on them, you might want to get yours before someone beats you out. I'm glad mine is embroidered, too – people hesitate to plop down in it, or pretend they thought it was theirs! It's definitely the most comfortable seat at any outdoor gathering!

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

Hello FCM'S,

The June meeting at Silver Gate was very entertaining and interesting so don't miss the July meeting on the 11th at Silver Gate. We plan on having another fun and good time. All members are welcome to enjoy the great food at Silver Gate we have an amazing chef that does great meals at very reasonable prices.

We are going to raffle off the Avet 2 speed reel and Calstar Roller Guide Rod at this meeting so you won't want to miss your chance on winning this amazing combo. The club board decided that even though we didn't reach our targeted goal of 100 tickets, it is time to give it away and let someone enjoy using it.

Kudos to the club for chartering the New Seaforth for a twilight club trip. It was awesome to see 74 members, family and friends turn out and spend quality time on the water together. The crew and boat were terrific. So much fun to see all the juniors catching fish and playing in the bait tank. After 3 hours of fishing, we all enjoyed over 200 delicious cookies that Mary baked for all



to enjoy. Hope we can do another charter in the fall.

We are planning another great raffle and opportunity raffle items, so plan on joining us.

Till then, Roll the Barrel.  
Love, Ellie



**Membership**  
**By Tony Belandres**

### MAKE NEW FRIENDS, BUT KEEP THE OLD

We have had a nice batch of new members join this year. At our next meeting, we hope you're there to meet them as we ask them to stand. Of course, we hope they also make the July meeting! New members include some who have not belonged for a while:

Jon & Nina Deinard, and their kids Andrea & Nathan  
Mark & Jody Fleming  
Ronald Kirkpatrick  
Tyson & Trang Lew, and their kids Joylyn and Suelyn

Isaac Lira  
Scott Losner  
Michael & Elvia Maher, and their kid Pantera  
Mike McGrath & Sandy Kaiser  
Paul Moullet  
Marc Daniel Nunez  
Rupert & Danielle Rosas, and their kids Hanna and Olivia  
George Toth  
Pepe Valdivia added his grandkids Asa and Elias  
and  
Adam Williams

We're pleased that this year we have had three members of our armed forces join the club: Jon Deinard, Paul Moullet, and Adam Williams. We're glad that you have elected to join us, thank you for your service, and we are proud to know you. If any know an active member of the military who might enjoy the club, pick up a brochure and a membership application for them. Their basic membership is free. Your other like-minded friends are always welcome to visit the club meetings up to twice before making their decision to join. As an added plus, you, as their host, get extra badge raffle tickets.

In case you were not at the June meeting and missed the announcement, long-time club member and avid fisherman Dennis Johnson died suddenly. Even worse for his family, his daughter passed soon after. Our condolences have been sent to

his family, but of course you can also send a card.

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Hello Fellow FCM's,

I just saved a client \$1,464 per month by tapping into their equity on their home and consolidating debt ... and even with pulling out an additional \$62,000 for home improvements!! Call me to see if refinancing makes sense for you.

Don't own a home? I have programs to help you with down payment and closing costs. Ask me how you can qualify.

If it has a roof, I have a loan!  
I look forward to helping you!!

Gary Mouritzen

## IN THE NEWS ... THINGS AFFECTING FISHING

### **The Shelter Island Launch Ramp**

is reported to be on track for completion later this year. To make up for lost time caused by the unexpected amount of buried cement debris, the crew is putting in ten-hour days. The breakwater is 75% done, and expected to be completed in early July. The cement walkway on the west side is under construction, and as for the ramp itself, pouring should begin in early July. The increased size and ease of use, plus amenities, will be noticeable. – Port of San Diego

### **Opah have been reclassified**

into 6 separate species, up from a mere two. In order to notice the difference, you have to have multiple Opah side-by-side, which happened when a buyer noticed the differences between Opah at a Honolulu fish auction, where this fish is more frequently found. Researchers at NOAA's Southwest Fisheries Science Center in La Jolla examined DNA and physical traits (eye size, fin length, and spot patterns, among others). They are the only *fully* warm-blooded fish, and they range from tropical to sub-polar waters, and to depths of up to 1,300 feet. –San Diego Union

### **Breaking the ice:**

A massive 16,000-ton, 30,000-horsepower Coast Guard icebreaker recently was in port here, not a common sight for us. The Healy stopped in for supplies from Scripps Institute of Oceanography, after maintenance in its home port of Seattle. Besides its ice-breaking duties, it participates in many scientific missions, usually funded by science institutions like Scripps, NOAA, the Office of Naval Research, and the National Science Foundation. In addition to its own crew of 85, it carries 50 civilian academics from the University of Washington and Woods Hole. –San Diego Union

### **Remember Lindo Lake?**

How an algae bloom caused the cancellation of the kids' fishing derby by the beginning of June? Algae blooms across the country, with their accompanying cyanobacterial toxins, are becoming more common, more frequent, and longer lasting. Higher summer temperatures and more frequent heat waves, with heavier rains washing nutrients into warm, still lakes and reservoirs, are to blame. People have gotten sick, and water districts scramble to keep the water supply safe. In 2014, Toledo, Ohio, the main water source was cut off to over 400,000 people for two days. Some small studies suggest a link with neurodegenerative disease and liver cancer caused by long term exposure to lower doses. - Associated Press

### **NOAA ABOUT TO**

**UNDERGO CHANGES?** The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, part of the Department of Commerce, may experience a shift in its mandate. It's current mission statement lists three things, starting with "to understand and predict changes in climate, weather, oceans, and coasts." Now "climate" has been expunged, and the first line has been replaced with "to observe, understand and predict atmospheric and ocean conditions." There's also a new emphasis: "To protect lives and property, empower the economy, and support homeland and national security." NOAA's duties encompass the National Weather Service, and fisheries management, forecasting cycles like El Niño, and tracking hurricanes. The past mission focused on resiliency, including "healthy ecosystems, communities and economies that are resilient in the face of change." Now the focus is on "a safe, secure and growing economy empowered through accurate, reliable and timely environmental information." While new administrations commonly shift priorities, sweeping changes to an agency's core mission are rare. NOAA is subject to 127 congressional mandates, and the proposed changes may require considerable action on the part of Congress. – The New York Times



## **SDRRC's YELLOWTAIL TOURNAMENT**



**Side Pot: BASS**



**Saturday, July 21, 2018**

**Lines in :** @ 6:00 am.

**Weigh in :** 4:00PM – 5:00PM at *Pepper Park launch ramp National City*

**Species :** *Yellowtail*

**Price:** \$ 20.00 per angler for members

\$ 25.00 per non-member (guests)

**Junior Anglers:** Fish for free. Prizes awarded to Juniors are \$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 on every boat must be entered in the tournament.**

**Tournament Rules:** Each angler may only weigh their one heaviest fish (one fish of each species per angler ~ Yellowtail for prize money and Bass for the side pot ~ ). The three heaviest weighed Yellowtails will take 1st, 2nd and 3rd place for cash prizes. The one single heaviest Bass will take the side pot.

**Sports Points:** The sports points will be awarded to three members with the heaviest fish in the tournament. The top three member anglers will receive 5 points for 1<sup>st</sup>, 4 points for 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3 points for 3<sup>rd</sup> in Men's, Women's and Junior's categories.

**Side Pot : *Largest Bass*** ~ Bass will consist of *Calico Bass, Sand Bass, or Spotted Bay*

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

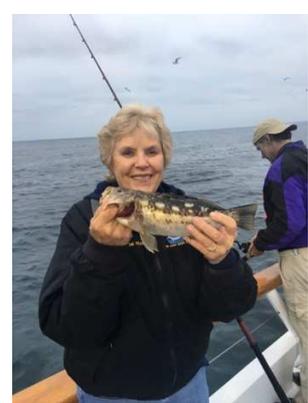
**Weigh Master:** (John Chuckta) Any and all protests must be made at the scale during the weighing of any fish. All ties will go to the Angler who weighed in first. Final time is determined by the weigh master's watch. Any questions, call John at 858-860-6414.

**Tournament Master:** (Pepe Valdivia) May call off any tournament due to small craft warnings or postpone at his discretion. Any questions, call Pepe Valdivia, 619-384-1138.

**Tournament Channel :** - 68

# PHOTO GALLERY

Twilight Trip (6/23/18):



## San Diego Rod and Reel Club Twilight Tournament Results.

June 23, 2018

### Tournament Results:

#### Men's Division

1st Place: Tim Foote, 2 lbs. 14 oz. Calico Bass

2nd Place: Jon Deinard, 2 lbs. 7 oz. Calico Bass

3rd Place: Curt Itogawa, 2 lbs. 3 oz. Calico Bass

Tim Foote receives 6 Men's Sport Points for Men's 1st Place.

Jon Deinard receives 5 Men's Sport Points for Men's 2nd Place.

Curt Itogawa receives 4 Men's Sport Points for Men's 3rd Place.

#### Kid's Division

1st Place: Cooper Lopez, 2 lbs. 9 oz. Calico Bass

2nd Place: Evan Lopez, 1 lb. 6 oz. Calico Bass

3rd Place Tie: Maddie Chuckta and Devon Gonzalez 1 lb. 4 oz. Calico Bass

4th Place: Nathan Deinard 1 lbs. 3 oz. Calico Bass

5th Place: Claire Chuckta 13 oz. Calico Bass

Maddie Chuckta receives 6 Junior Sports Points

Nathan Deinard receives 5 Junior Sports Points

Claire Chuckta receives 4 Junior Sports Points

**Side Pot: Tyson Lew won \$420**

#### Sport Points Standing as of end of June 2018

(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	12 pts.	Charo Mouritzen	6 pts.	Maddie Chuckta	6 pts.
Tim Foote	12 pts.	Kelly Chuckta	1 pt.	Nathan Deinard	5 pts.
Gary Mouritzen	6 pts.	Shelly Cochlin	1 pt.	Claire Chuckta	4 pts.
John Chuckta	6 pts.	Deb Renick	1 pt.	Rachael Nguyen	1 pt.
Hector Lopez	6 pts.	Elli Duchene	1 pt.	Nathan Nguyen	1 pt.
Curt Itogawa	5 pts.			Jaylyn Lew	1 pt.
Jon Deinard	5 pts.			Suelyn Lew	1 pt.
Pepe Valdivia	3 pts.			Adam Johnson	1 pt.
Tony Belandres	3 pts.				
Gordie Howe	3 pts.				
Daryl White	2 pts.				
James Nguyen	2 pts.				
Frank Hernandez	2 pts.				
Einar Aguila	2 pts.				
Rick Beck	2 pts.				
Alan Beilstein	1 pt.				
Jonathan Aguila	1 pt.				
Ivan Lemus	1 pt.				
Dennis Johnson	1 pt.				
Mark Nunez	1 pt.				
Scott Losner	1 pt.				
Tyson Lew	1 pt.				
Mike Goodsell	1 pt.				
Manny Granillo	1 pt.				
Bill Renick	1 pt.				
Wes Ciesielski	1 pt.				
Michael Maher	1 pt.				
Tom Gruber	1 pt.				
Ron Kirpatrick	1 pt.				
Manny Granilo IV	1 pt.				
Isaac Lira	1 pt.				
Vinny Glen	1 pt.				

<b>SAN DIEGO ROD REEL CLUB 2018 WEIGHT RECEIPT LIST</b>					6/25/2018	
<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>Barracuda (Local)</b>						
<b>Big Eye Tuna (Local)</b>						
<b>Bluefin Tuna (Local)</b>						
<b>Bonefish (Local Release) Inches</b>						
<b>Bonito (Local)</b>						
<b>Calico Bass (local)</b>	4.65	Rex Finney	1.76	Charo Mouritzen	1.4	Maddie Chuckta
<b>Dorado (Local)</b>						
<b>Halibut (Local)</b>			5.2	Shelly Cochran		
<b>Lingcod (Local)</b>						
<b>Rockfish (Local)</b>	3.34	Gary Mouritzen			1.1	Maddie Chuckta
<b>Sand Bass (Local)</b>	3.9	Tim Foote				
<b>Spotted Bay Bass (Local)</b>	1.4	John Chuckta	2.18	Shelly Cochran		
<b>Striped Marlin (Local)</b>						
<b>White Sea Bass (Local)</b>						
<b>Yellowfin Tuna (Local)</b>						
<b>Yellowtail (Local)</b>						

<b>SPECIES +150 Miles (Certificates)</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 Tuna (+150)</b>						
<b>Barracuda (+150)</b>						
<b>Big Eye Tuna (+150)</b>						
<b>Bluefin Tuna (+150)</b>						
<b>Blue Marlin (+150)</b>						
<b>Bonito (+150)</b>						
<b>Dorado (+150)</b>						
<b>Halibut (+150)</b>						
<b>Lingcod (+150)</b>						
<b>Roosterfish (+150)</b>						
<b>Sailfish (+150)</b>						
<b>Striped Marlin (+150)</b>						
<b>Wahoo (+150)</b>						
<b>White Sea Bass (+150)</b>						
<b>Yellowfin Tuna (+150)</b>			18	Kelly Chuckta		
<b>Yellowtail (+150)</b>						

**Honorable mentions:**

<b>Billfish Release:</b>		
1st Dorado (Local)		
1st Yellowfin Tuna (Local)		
1st Yellowtail (Local)		
1st Albacore (Local)		

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