

The Chumline
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No August Meeting

There will be no August meeting in lieu of the annual barbeque. Remember, barbeque, 3:00 PM Sunday, August 9th at 4209 Hitch Blvd. Moorpark.

July Meeting

The Ventura County Sport Fishing club held its regular meeting on Tuesday July 7th. Our guest speaker was Ben Frazier, representative of Avet reels and a long time regular angler on offshore and long range trips. Ben discussed offshore issues and preparing for a long range trip.

Barbeque set

Save the date, the club has set Sunday, August 9th for the annual club barbeque. As usual, it will be from 3:00 PM to dark, with fish entrées, drinks and good cheer provided. Guest will bring appetizers, salads and desserts.

We will be raffling off a custom wrapped Bob Tidemann rod. This will be a deluxe, off shore special designed for the yellow tail and mid size yellow fin that are in our waters this year.

Current Fishing Conditions

The water is warming, yellowtail, yellow fin as well as usual rockfish and white Sea bass offerings. San Diego boats are getting dorado, yellowtail and some big blue fin and mixed size yellow fin.

2015 Charter schedule

Scott Williams has put together our charter schedule for 2015. Last trip remaining is the three day on the First String, SOLD OUT.

8/16-8/19 9:00 PM FIRST STRING H&M Landing \$780 Three day

A seven day trip on the INDEPENDENCE out of Point Loma departing on Saturday, 5th of September at 9:00 AM, returning on Saturday, September 20 Cost \$2695. Contact Judy at Independence sport fishing, (619) 226-6006 SOLD OUT

A ten day trip on the ROYAL STAR out of Fisherman's Landing departing November 4th at 10:00 AM, returning November 14th, cost \$3595. This is a VCSC open charter, with about half the spots filled by club members. This is a great trip to fish with your friends. Contact Brian Zimmerman, (818) 991-0453 or Tracy at (619) 224-4764 SOLD OUT

All reservations require a 50% deposit to confirm. Final payment is due 45 days prior to departure. No refunds will be made unless the spot is filled from a waiting list. If you wish to cancel, to assure getting a refund, sell your spot to someone else, save us the hassle!

Kid's trip a success

The kid's trip was a great success. Geoff Mosdale once again coordinated this great event. We had 30 kids from county foster care, plus some from both the homeless shelter and the women's shelter for a total of 50 anglers plus foster care representatives. with 15 club members and the crew of the Speedtwin helping out, the kids had a great time.

On the way out, the kids were treated to a pod of dolphins who appeared to be feeding on a small school of mackerel. with ohs and ah's we proceeded to Anacapa but the current was too strong, so we crossed the channel to Santa Cruz. With several stops, the kids all caught rockfish including a couple of reds and a few large white fish. In addition, everyone caught a few mackerel. A couple of bonito joined into the fray. The trip in was marked by a whale sighting, which thanks to the Speedtwin crew, the kids were able to get a really great up close view as it sounded.

Thanks again to Geoff Mosdale, the crew of the Speedtwin, Friends of Rollo and the club members and friends who volunteered to make this day a fun day for these deserving young people.

El Nino 2015

El Nino is here. We have warm water off the coast. Dorado, Yellow fin and blue fin tuna are being caught in American waters. This is as powerful and el nino as the 97-98 event. There are some differences in the water pattern though. the 97-98 event had more warm water concentrated along the Baja coast while this event has the warmer water off southern California. In addition, there is a large blob of warm water off the Pacific Northwest, Oregon and Washington in particular. This warm blob feeds the high pressure ridge that blocks the normal pacific storms out of the north. But with the warm water off our coast, we should continue to see both good fishing and repeats of the past couple of tropical storms that dropped summer rains.

Cooking your catch

This month we will do baked rock fish with slivered almonds.

2 6-8 oz rock fish fillets, skin off.

1/4 cup slivered almonds

minced cilantro

1/8 cup melted butter

1 Tbsp lime juice

salt and pepper

Pre-heat oven to 350 degrees. Place rock fish fillets in greased baking dish. Sprinkle with almonds and cilantro. Mix lemon juice and melted butter. Pour over fish fillets. sprinkle with salt and pepper to taste. Bake for 10 minutes per inch of fish thickness. Serve with veggies and enjoy.