



# ***Liar's Corner***

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**November 27, 2022**

***Presidents Corner by Tom Fitzgerald***

Greetings Saltwater Anglers,

As I write this, we are less than a week away from Thanksgiving. It's hard to believe the year has gone so quickly. Our last charter of the year out of San Diego is complete. Please read **Eric's** thorough report on the trip below. **Thanks, Eric!** We still have a **December 3rd** twilight trip on the **Spitfire** with 8 spots open. This is always a fun trip. Please contact **Steve Berczik** to reserve your spot. We also have room for one person on our **East Cape club challenge** July 6-11. Contact **Steve** for more information.

At the last board meeting, there was a discussion about putting together a trip to **Cedros, Loreto**, or the **East Cape** for next year. If you are interested, please get in touch with Marty Levy or Steve Berczik. Several members took a trip to **Loreto** last summer and had a great time. The **July newsletter** has an excellent report written by **Dan Keck** about the Loreto trip.

We are still in the process of booking charters for next year. If you have a boat you would like us to consider; please feel free to let any of the board members know. Please remember that our charters are usually limited to 18 - 20 anglers which unfortunately eliminates many of the larger boats due to cost. You are always welcome to attend a board meeting to share your thoughts. Our charter schedule may look slightly differently next year due to the new rockfish regulations.

We do not have a club meeting in December, so our next meeting will be on **January 4<sup>th</sup>**. I wish you and your family a Happy Thanksgiving!

Tight lines,

Tom

**Future speakers.**

**2023**

4-Jan	Phil Freedman	Walk with Phil
1-Feb	Todd Mansur	Boardroom Sportfishing boat
1-Mar	Banquet	
5-Apr	Vincent Lueras	Shimano

***November trip report by Eric Huizar***

**A ROCK'N TRIP**

(In more ways than one)

Our final 1.5-day club trip on the Pacific Dawn departed Fisherman's Landing with 17 club members. The trip was set to be a Bluefin Tuna trip since the bite had recently picked up again. However, the weather change had something else in store for us that would alter the course and outcome of the trip. We were told we would have a bumpy ride, but nothing prepared us for what awaited us.

We drove out to the area of San Clemente Island, and in the middle of the night or early morning, the "rock'n" started. We were met with swell that rocked the boat and slowed our driving time. At times the swell was so heavy and deep that it bounced us up in our bunks.

As the sun rose, the winds began to pick up, and the sea was rolling. We started our search for tuna, and the weather got progressively worse. The white caps appeared, and the swell became so heavy that it knocked several of us (including myself) to the deck. There were no signs of Bluefin anywhere, and the other two boats in the area were reporting the same. After doing this for a few hours, with no signs of Bluefin anywhere, we had enough of getting beat up by the swell and wind. So, to make the best of a bad situation, we collectively decided to go to San Clemente Island and fish for **Rock'n Rockfish**. The plan was to fish for rockfish until sundown and then come back to look for a Bluefin night bite at night.

Battling the wind and swell made it feel like the longest ride to the island, even though it seemed like it was right in front of us. When we arrived at the island, we began fishing for rockfish and were quickly rewarded with quality rockfish, including some very nice reds. We fished until sundown and went back out searching for the Bluefin night bite with the same weather and water conditions we faced earlier in the day. Needless to say, there was no Bluefin bite.

Who would have ever guessed that two rockfish would take the jackpot on a "tuna trip." Rob Provost won first place, with his goliath red coming in at 4.45 lbs. I came in second with a staggering 3.90 lb. monster red. 😊

In the end, we ended up with 88 rockfish for the trip. This will be a trip not long forgotten, and many of us have the scrapes, bumps, and bruises to go along with it. I guess that's how fishing goes. You are dealt a hand, and you make the best of it. Things could have always been worse right?

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### **Fisherman Of The Year Derby**

*Each year we award a Fisherman of the Year Trophy to one of our members. The Trophy is won by earning points on Club Trips out of Calif. Ports. Points are awarded for going on a trip, winning, or coming in second in the Jackpot, and for the biggest fish caught in a cited species and the year's biggest fish. All members are automatically eligible.*

### **Current 2022 ISWAC Fisherman of the Year Point Standings**

- First Place – Dan Keck – 15 Points
- Second Place – Robert Reeder – 12 Points
- Third Place – Stan Reeder – 10 Points
- Fourth Place – Marty Levy – 10 - Points

### **2022 FISHING SCHEDULE**

<b>TRIP#</b>	<b>LEAVE</b>	<b>RETUR N</b>	<b>BOAT</b>	<b>LOA D</b>	<b>PRIC E</b>	<b>LANDIN G</b>	<b>TRIP DETAILS</b>
<b>9</b>	<b>12/3</b>	<b>12/3</b>	<b>Spitfire</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>\$60</b>	<b>Mr DI Ry</b>	<b>Twilight</b>

#### **Monthly Club Meetings**

**Brandon's Diner**  
**370 N. Mountain**  
**Upland, CA**  
**Time: 7:00 to 9:00 P.M.**  
**First Wednesday of the month**

#### **Board Meetings**

**Brandon's Diner**  
**370 N. Mountain**  
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**Time; 6:00-8:00 PM**  
**Third Wednesday of the month**

#### **ISWAC Contacts**

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### **Board Members & Years remaining on their term**

**Jim Padilla 3, Steven Spenser 3, Rob Provost 2, Bob Eads 2, Dan Keck 1, Dave Kush 1**