



From the Helm

by Art Ponce, Club President

Hello San Diego Marlin Club members. I'm looking forward to being your club president for the upcoming year. I've lived in San Diego for 50 years, and I've also been a member of the boating community for nearly 30. I had the good fortune to meet some club members 8 years ago, who encouraged me to join the club. I can confidently say that I've learned twice as much about fishing since I joined the club, than the previous 22. It is this spirit of camaraderie and education which will become the focus of my attention, in the years to come.

I would also like to thank Charles Been for his ideas and expertise that he provided the club during his term. I'll champion, and try to implement many of his ideas. I would also like to thank the board of directors for having the confidence to elect me as president. I look forward to meeting everyone.

If you have any comments or suggestions, I can be reached at aposprey@hotmail.com or 619-253-0420.

Now that the rains have passed us for a while, and spring is just around the corner, many events are scheduled in March and April to keep us busy.

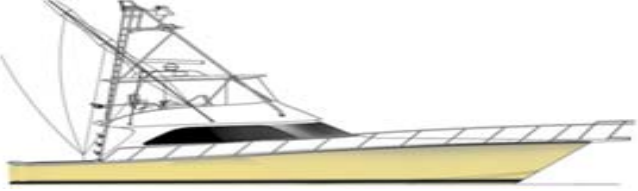
First the RFP committee will be working to make sure that The Marlin Club interests are well represented in the ongoing proposals before the Port District Commissioners regarding the redevelopment of the waterfront property which the Marlin Club occupies. The proposals are due to be voted on soon, and we will have a say in the process.

Second, our annual meeting is April 1st at the SWYC at 7pm, and Charles has provided us with probably the best program in recent times. Steve Lassley and Pete Groesbeck will present a seminar for us, and the new Viking 60ft. "Bad Company Edition" sport fisher will be at the docks for us to see. This will be the premier unveiling on the vessel on the west coast.

April will also be the annual "Day at the Docks" festival and we need your help in our booth. Please drop me a line if you can donate a few hours to tell others about our club. We will also host an open house at the club, and sponsor a kids fishing contest at on the docks, just like years past. I need your help in this.

Finally are currently assessing maintenance needs at the club, and Wayne Slahor will have a sign-up sheet at the club with projects that have to be done prior to the open house.

Thank you,
Art

<p>San Diego Marlin Club Annual Meeting With Guest Speakers</p> <p>Steve Lassley and Pete Groesbeck</p> <p>Tuesday, April 1, 2008 at 7:00PM</p> <p>Southwestern Yacht Club, 2702 Qualtrough St., San Diego, Ca 92106</p>	 <p>Also on Display for the first time in San Diego, the 60 ft. Viking Sportfisher "Bad Company Edition"</p>
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Annual Trophy Awards Dinner
February 9, 2008, at the Bali Ha'i Restaurant

Jon Wilson

Thomas N. Hoopes Perpetual Trophy - First Marlin of the Season - July 26, 2007 - 146.0 pounds
C. H. Gardner Trophy - 1st Marlin by a Man - July 26, 2007 - 146.0 pounds

Derek Wattenbarger

Henry B. Cramer Perpetual Trophy - Last Marlin of the Season - October 10, 2007 - 130.0 pounds

Bill McCleod

Frank G. Belcher Perpetual Trophy - Largest Billfish of the Season - October 8, 2007 - 179.0 pounds
C. J. Hendry Perpetual trophy - Largest Marlin of the Season - October 8, 2007 - 179.0 pounds
Frank E. Naso Memorial Trophy - Largest Marlin by a Man - October 8, 2007 - 179.0 pounds
Stanley Andrews Perpetual Trophy - Largest Marlin on Light Tackle - October 8, 2007 - 179.0 pounds
Nelson-Moore Perpetual Trophy - 1st Button fish of the season - September 1, 2007 - 160.5 pounds

Walter Gutjahr

Frank E. Pastore Perpetual Trophy - Smallest Marlin of the Season - 126.0 pounds

Michael Fitzgerald

New award added for Competition - First release - August 4, 2007
Howard Minor Perpetual Trophy - Highest Accumulated Championship points in a single day ---
260 points - 2 releases

Jack Hawthorne

Norman McLean Perpetual Trophy - Largest Marlin on Medium Tackle - August 11, 2007- 159.0 pounds

Mark Henwood

Mrs. W. A. Hoss Perpetual Trophy - Most releases on Light Tackle - 3 Releases
Harbor Island Marina Perpetual Trophy - Most releases by a male - 4 Releases
Chuck Gillam Trophy - Most Marlin using natural bait - 4 Fish

Shimano Tiagra 30 - Most Releases - Donated by Doug Kern, Fisherman's Landing Tackle

Sandy Falk

Harbor Island Marina Perpetual Trophy - Most releases by a Lady - 1 Release

Carl Smith

William A. Hoss Perpetual Trophy - Most releases on 3/6 (20 pound) Tackle - 1 Release

Skete Simmons

Last release of the Season - October 27, 2007

-----**JUNIORS**-----

David Larson

Jack Carlson Perpetual Trophy - First Marlin of the season by a Junior - September 1, 2007
First Release by a Junior - September 1, 2007

Kaden Lapham

D. D. Williams Trophy - Last Marlin of the Season Catch/release - October 7, 2007
Last Release of the Season - October 7, 2007

-----**BOAT AWARDS**-----

MIL-SO-MAR

Al Penrose Memorial Trophy - Boat scoring the most Championship Points in a single
day - August 7, 2007 - 1,170 points
Frank L. Hope Perpetual Trophy - Boat with the most Tagged & Released - 12

BOAT AWARDS - continued

SNOOPER

Thompson/Cottrill Trophy - Boat changing the most Associate Members to Active - 2

M. ANGELINA

First Marlin of the season - July 26, 2007 - 146.0 pounds

-----OTHER AWARDS-----

Charles Been

Mel Ibey Trophy - Largest Tuna of the Season - 11.5 pounds

Donna McKee

Jack Bohannon Trophy - Largest Yellowtail of the Season - 32.3 pounds

Bill McLeod

Shirley Blackman Trophy - Largest Halibut of the Season - 44.6 pounds

Robert Pennell

R. David Verdugo Trophy - Largest Albacore of the Season - 38.0 pounds

Gene Wessel

Hubbs/Sea World Trophy - Largest White Seabass of the Season - 50.6 pounds

Bob Woodard Jr.

Baja On The Fly Trophy - Largest Gamefish on a Fly Rod - 6.5 pounds

-----LABOR DAY TOURNAMENT-----

Bill McLeod

Largest Marlin by a Male Member - September 1, 2007 - 160.5 pounds

SQUARED AWAY

Highest Release Boat - September 1, 2007 - 1 Marlin

-----2007 MARLIN BUTTONS-----

Bill McLeod

Green Marlin Button - Marlin taken on Light Tackle, 100 pounds or more

Don Wroncy

Green Marlin Button - Marlin taken on Light Tackle, 100 pounds or more

-----SPECIAL AWARDS-----

Marty Morris

Silver Special Award Button

Ed Waldman - I.L.T.T. Sponsor



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Words of Wisdom

Give a man a fish and he has food for a day; teach him how to fish and you can get rid of him for the entire weekend.

~Zenna Schaffer

DATES TO REMEMBER for 2008

Awards/ Trophy Dinner	February 9, 2008
General Membership Meeting	April 1, 2008
Club Clean Up Day	April, 2008
Open House/Day at the Docks	April, 2008
Potluck	
Spring Shootout*	May, 2008
Don Blackman Memorial	
Halibut Derby*	June, 2008
Potluck	August, 2008
Juniors' Tournament	August, 2008
Couples' Tournament	August, 2008
Labor Day Tournament	September, 2008
ILTT Tournament &	September, 2008
Dinner Awards Banquet	
Small Boat Tournament*	October, 2008

*Open to the public



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