



The Gaff Line September

From the Helm

by Art Ponce, Club President

Hello fellow club members. The club has been a busy place this past month. We have concluded two tournaments, we've weighed a few fish, and we've been hosting Friday sundowners all month long. The season action has been slow but fairly steady. The only problem has been that the marlin have been spread out over a large area, with no large concentrations at any one place.

The season has been stronger than usual for other pelagic as even yellowfin tuna have been caught close to shore. So if you didn't find a marlin at least you have a good chance to come home with a great dinner.

The Juniors Tournament was held Aug 22nd. Unfortunately the weather didn't co-operate and many anglers didn't get a chance to get off shore due to heavy seas and weather. A good time was still enjoyed by all.

The Small Boat Tournament saw improved conditions but slow marlin fishing. Don Wroncy did a great job organizing the tournament, and we are very appreciative of his efforts. Congratulations go out to Jeff Meeker for his first place release and Conan Houghtaling who's fish earned him the second place prize. Conditions are improving daily so I'm sure we will see more action in the days to come.

The Marlin Club Labor Day Tournament will be held September 5th and 6th. This is a free tournament, so it has been very competitive in years past. We will be hosting the ILTT Gene Grimes Memorial Tournament September 18th and 19th. I hope all the regular boats will be back, along with some new competitors. We will have many great prizes, so please sign up ASAP to register for the early bird drawing.

Arthur J. Ponce

Welcome New Members

Alex Vecchiet

Scott Cagaro – 26' Blackman - CONNIE

Connie Cheng – 26' Blackman - CONNIE

Michael Leung – 26' Blackman – CONNIE

Alex and Shannon Conger

Cherie Prothro - EHUKAI

Gene Grimes Memorial/ ILTT Invitational Light Tackle Tournament



Club Challenge

Claim the Perpetual Trophy for your Club!

When: Sept. 18, 19, 2009 Dinner on 20th

Where: The Marlin Club of San Diego

What: 30lb tackle release format

Visit www.themarlinclub.com for rules and entry form.

Questions? Call Wayne Slahor @ 760-443-6849

The San Diego Marlin Club 2009 Catch Detail

Marlin		
Released	19	67.9%
Weighed	9	32.1%
Smallest	104.5	
Largest	148.0	
Ave Weight	118.1	

Members		
Angler	15	53.6%
Boat	21	75.0%
Skipper	21	75.0%

Bait/Lure		
Bait	4	14.3%
Lure	23	82.1%

Line Test		
12#	0	0.0%
20#	0	0.0%
30#	4	14.3%
40#	8	28.6%
50#	15	53.6%
60#	1	3.6%
80#	0	0.0%

#	Date	Angler	M	WT/R	Test	Boat	M	Skipper	M	B/L	Location
1	7/14	Martin Banos	M	104.6	40#	TUNA306	M	Eddie Martinez		L	Hidden Bank
2	7/18	Eric/Walter Meins		148.0	60#	CASTANET		Eric Meins		L	32.35.68 - 117.31.55
3	7/26	Gary Wells		•R•	40#	OFISHALL BUSINESS	M	Carl Nelson	M	L	32.08 - 117.16
4	7/31	Wayne Slahor	M	•R•	40#	SQUARED AWAY	M	Art Ponce	M	L	NW 224
5	8/1	Richard Keesee	M	•R•	50#	CONCUBINE	M	Skete Simmons	M	L	Upper Finger/101
6	8/1	Simmon Cottrall	M	•R•	30#	CONCUBINE	M	Richard Keesee	M	L	Upper Finger/101
7	8/2	Eric Balint		134.0	50#	MAXUM		Eric Balint		L	430-302
8	8/2	Skete Simmons	M	114.0	30#	CONCUBINE	M	Richard Keesee	M	L	Inside Upper Finger/101
9	8/1	Mark Henwood	M	•R•	30#	SEA TREK IV	M	Chuck Smith	M	B	1m E of 182
10	8/1	Mark Gruwell		•R•	50#	MIL-SO-MAR	M	Rich Hamilton	M	B	Upper Finger
11	8/1	Scott Gruwell		•R•	50#	MIL-SO-MAR	M	Rich Hamilton	M	L	Upper Finger
12	8/5	Cameron Lapham (Jr)	M	•R•	50#	SNOOPER	M	Chris Lapham	M	L	152
13	8/15	Lan Tran Okuda	M	•R•	30#	ALFRESCO III	M	Harry Okuda	M	L	138
14	8/26	Chuck Gilson	M	•R•	40#	CHEASAPEAKE CHARLIE	M	Chuck Gilson	M	L	Coronado Canyon
15	8/26	Chuck Gilson	M	107.0	40#	CHEASAPEAKE CHARLIE	M	Chuck Gilson	M	L	Coronado Canyon
16	8/19	Rick Maxa	M	•R•	40#	DOUGOUT	M	Doug Kern	M	B	9 mile Bank
17	8/21	Toby-Jarro-Mitch		137.0	50#	FRESHIE		Jarro		L	NE of 302
18	8/21	John Perron		107.8	50#	FISHER		Todd Fisher			2m outside of 302
19	8/26	Doug Kern	M	•R•	40#	DOUGOUT	M	Rick Maxa	M	L	9 mile Bank
20	8/27	John Ashley	M	106.0	50#	LANAI KAI	M	Chuck Maunez		L	9 mile Bank - bottom
21	8/23	Donna McKee	M	•R•	50#	RADAR	M	Bob Hargraves	M	L	33-04/117-31
22	8/29	Skete Simmons	M	•R•	50#	BANDIT		Tommy Neikirk		L	5m E end, San Clemente
23	8/29	Chris Meeker		•R•	50#	DOG HOUSE	M	Jeff Meeker	M	B	15m - 215 MB
24	8/29	Conan Houghtaling		104.5	40#	DOG HOUSE	M	Jeff Meeker	M	L	14.5m - 214 MB
25	8/31	Michael Morienes		•R•	50#	PLAN B	M	Bob Woodard Jr	M	L	4.5m E of SC Dome
26	8/30	Jeff Cardoza		•R•	50#	FRANTIC	M	John Brudvik	M	L	9 mile Bank
27	8/29	David Griffiths		•R•	50#	SAFARI		Rich Hamilton	M	L	SCI
28	8/29	Dave Willden		•R•	50#	SAFARI		Rich Hamilton	M	L	SCI

Club Hours: Tuesday & Wednesday 5 to sunset - Thursday thru Monday 1pm to 5pm

If you need something at a different time call Penny @ 619-742-8225

IF YOU HAVE A FISH TO WEIGH CALL:

BOB-(619) 227-5478, CRIS-(619) 225-0505, DON-(858) 272-5621, WAYNE-(760) 747-6239, SHERI-(619) 865-9261

Words of Wisdom

"Some go to church and think about fishing, others go fishing and think about God."

--Tony Blake

DATES TO REMEMBER for 2009

Awards/ Trophy Dinner	February 21, 2009
General Membership Meeting	April 7, 2009
Club Clean Up Day	April 11, 2009
Open House/Day at the Docks	April 19, 2009
Sundowner	May 31, 2009
Spring Shootout*	May 16, 2009
Don Blackman Memorial Halibut Derby*	June 13, 2009
Presidents' Tournament	August 8, 2009
Juniors' Tournament	August 22, 2009
Small Boat Tournament*	August 29-30, 2009
Labor Day Tournament	September 5-6, 2009
BBQ	September 7, 2009
ILTT Tournament & Dinner Awards Banquet	September 18-19, 2009 September 20, 2009

Sundowners – Every Friday

***Open to the public**



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