



## APRIL 2024 NEWSLETTER

**Our Guest Speaker for April will be return star Brian Nguyen**

A fishing tackle industry veteran with over two decades of experience, please join the Turner's Outdoorsman Rod and Reel Club and renowned tackle outfitter and advisor, Brian "The Cigar A'fishin'ado" Nguyen, for an incredible evening featuring a comprehensive seminar that will add to your on-the-water confidence, knowledge, and success:

### **Operation: Offshore Topwater Fishing**

Learn what makes an efficient and effective popper system for West Coast tuna fishing on sport boats! Rod and reel selection, line set-up, types of poppers, rigging methods, at-the-rail mechanics, and efficient fighting techniques. This is one you won't wanna miss! Don't just stare at the foamers this season!!



**CLUB MEETING WEDNESDAY, APRIL 10, 2024, 7 PM at  
MATT DENNYS ALE HOUSE RESTAURANT ENCLOSED PATIO.  
COME AS EARLY AS 5:30 FOR DINNER**

## President's Message for April 2024

The "Show Season" is almost over and the Rockfish opening day is April, 1, 2024. Let the fishing begin. But looking at the change of dates AND the recent changes in limits, i.e. the vermillion rockfish limit being cut in half in California waters. I again must urge ALL members to become part of the fight to save fishing by joining CCA! I can't stress this enough. CCA has won some battles but the fight continues and we can help by supporting CCA by becoming a member and/or attending a fundraiser. Fundraisers to date include:

1. Raffle to win a Hobie Kayak
2. May 4, 2024 Kern County Chapter Hold Em Tournament
3. May 16, 2024 San Diego Chapter Apps and Taps at Marina Village Baja Room
4. STAR Tournament, happening all summer for only \$40.
5. June 27, 2024 Anthony Hsieh Conservation Awards Dinner
6. October 25, 2024 Orange County Golf Tournament

These and other fundraising events are and will be listed on CCA's website [CCACalifornia.org](http://CCACalifornia.org). If interested in any of the above events, please go to the webpage.

The Marina Del Rey Anglers are hosting a Halibut Derby June 1 & 2, 2024 for more information go to Marina Del Rey Anglers website online. There will be great prizes for the biggest fish, not just halibut. (\$\$\$)

Turner's Charters are filling up so time to get off the dime and get your name on the to go list! The charters unless otherwise stated are overnight and they leave the night before. Listed is the DAY WE FISH. Please don't call me and ask me what day the trip is.

1. May 31, 2024 Endeavor 3 spots
2. June 8, 2024 Triton Day Trip 3 spots
3. June 21, 2024 Amigo (Full, will take standbys)
4. July 14, 2024 Fury (Full, will take standbys)
5. August 11, 2024 Triton Day trip 12 spots
6. September 27, 2024 Fury 15 spots
7. October 13, 2024 Amigo 11 spots
8. November 2, 2024 Endeavor 13 spots

Please make sure I have a GOOD phone number, preferably one you can receive text messages and IF you have a guest, make sure I have their phone number. I send out trip information via text. If the trip gets cancelled of there is any information, I think you might need I send it via text so PLEASE make sure I have a valid phone number.

This month's speaker is not to be missed. Brian Nguyen. He is a noted expert of JIGGING for tuna. If you are fishing tuna this year you need to attend this meeting. Brian will have all kinds of tips for everyone this month.

William Davis. President

**INVITE A FRIEND TO THE APRIL MEETING**

## **CCAcalfornia.org**

2024 California STAR Tournament. This Tournament is open to all California anglers. CCA membership is also required. Prizes are BIG! You can enter it by joining CCA and submitting an entry fee of only \$40 for the entire summer fishing season. The Tournament runs **Saturday, May 25, 2024 – Monday, September 2, 2024**. With your entry they provide a special measuring device to each person and an app to submit your entries. All the details are online at: <https://ccacalifornia.org/star/> You can enter up to 2 fish per day per category. This increases your chances of winning. Each entry gets you into the drawings for prizes.

Eligible fish include:

- Saltwater Bass: Sand Bass, Calico Bass, Spotted Bay Bass (18 inches)
- California Halibut (28 inches)
- Yellowtail (36 inches)
- White Seabass (36 inches)
- Tuna: Bluefin, Yellowfin, Big Eye, Albacore (36 inches)

This Tournament is going to grow every year. This is a good time to get in at the beginning. There are weekly drawings also with great prizes.

### **Tentative Freshwater Dates**

April 27<sup>th</sup> Castaic Lagoon/Lake  
May 18<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup> Big Bear  
June 15<sup>th</sup> Perris  
July 20<sup>th</sup> Skinner  
August 24<sup>th</sup> Santa Fe Dam  
September 14<sup>th</sup> Legg Lake & Picnic  
October 26<sup>th</sup> Puddingstone

### **APRIL 27<sup>TH</sup> FRESHWATER EVENT AT CASTAIC LAGOON/LAKE**

Per Jim Speck: Fishing will start at 6 a.m. Saturday morning and your entry for the Club event needs to be turned in to me by 12 noon. I will be on or near the Lagoon pier. Winner will be whoever gets the biggest fish, any species. Make sure you check in with Jim when you get there and when you leave. Jim's phone or text: 626-230-3132. Let's have a good turnout for this event.

## **CALENDAR**

1. **April 3, 2024 Turner's Board Meeting 7 PM Online**
2. April 6, 2024 TackleMeet in Bellflower
3. April 6, 2024 Spring Fest Los Angeles- Volunteers needed to help kids practice casting.
4. April 7, 2024 9am - 5pm Day at the Docks Festival 2803 Emerson St, San Diego, CA 92106
5. **April 10, 2024 General Meeting at Matt Dennys**
6. April 13, 2024 Tackle Swap meet at Long Beach Rod & Gun Club
7. **April 27, 2024 Club Freshwater event Castaic Lagoon 6a.m.- 12 Noon.**
8. May 3, 4, 5 West Coast Outdoors and Sportfishing Expo, Ventura Fairgrounds

## **BIG BEAR LAKE WEEKEND**

The weekend freshwater event at Big Bear Lake will be May 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> this year. Fishing will be both Saturday and Sunday. Each day will be a separate fishing event. Big Bear offers a variety of options, you can stay overnight or drive up one or both days. Accommodations are plentiful with advance reservations, including camping. If you plan to bring your boat, be sure to check the regulations ahead of time. Big Bear Lake is open 24/7 year-round. If you are going to attend, please let Jim Speck & Denise Davis know. If you want to do something as a group in addition to fishing, we need to plan it.

## March Drawings

Grand Prize: Phenix Rod won by Randy Kroll  
Surf Rod 10 ft-Eddie Garcia  
Shimano Rod- William Davis  
Shimano Rod-Jose Huerta  
Tuna Jigs, white/yellow-Jim Sainz  
Pink Chase Baits & jig Heads- Jim Speck  
Trout Bait pack- Jose Huerta  
Pliers/ Chase Bait-William Davis  
Tuna Spike/Popper-William Davis  
Pliers/Aftco fishing gloves-William Davis  
25 lb. Flouro-Jose Huerta  
40 lb. Phenix Braid-Don Merrill  
Sun Mask/Weights-Robert Lopez  
Pliers/Squid jig-Dick Guiliani  
Pair of Jigs-Dick Guiliani  
Green Carry Bag with Scents x2-Don Merrill  
Magnetic rod Holder-Jose Huerta

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Unused tackle laying around? Please consider donating new items to the Club Raffle. Most of the items above were donated by William Davis.

## MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

Your membership dues should already be paid for 2024. If you have not yet paid dues, please get them in. They were due in January. Your dues must be paid in order to participate in the Whopper Board before you can submit any fish. The Membership Chair is Jose Dominguez.

### 2024 MEMBERSHIP SPECIAL OFFER

Jose is again offering a limited time special for those members who recruit new paid members for the Club. This is for new members only, people who have never been in the Club previously. For anyone who recruits 2 new members, you will receive your \$60 membership cost back. Help us grow. Jose has business cards for recruitment purposes if you request them. Jose reserves the right to revoke this offer at any time, so get these new folks active ASAP.

### CLUB SHIRTS, POLOS AND JACKETS

When the order comes in, we will have a few extra T shirts for sale in limited numbers. Jose will have them at the meetings as long as they last. Jdominguezjr22@gmail.com is Jose's email or you can TEXT him at 323-356-1507. He does not answer phone calls from unknown numbers. Club hats are WON on Charters or Freshwater events and are not usually for sale. We do not submit orders for one or two items. Our vendor is very busy and prefers larger orders. Once you submit an order it may take several months to get it in, because we wait until we have a decent sized order.

### Turner's Membership/Discount Card

Your Turner's Rod and Reel Club membership card is good for a 10% discount at all Turner's stores. It is only good for the fishing department, not guns or archery items. If the cashier is not familiar with the program, just politely ask for the manager and they should be able to help you.

Also, do not attempt to return items you've won at our raffles to the Turner's store. Many items are not purchased there and we have a "no return" policy as well.

If you have new or used tackle items you wish to sell you can advertise them in this newsletter. This is for paid members only and is free. Just email Turnerstaes@aol.com with a description, price, and your contact info.

## 2024 Saltwater Charter Schedule – Limited Loads

### PRINTED DATE IS THE DATE YOU WILL BE FISHING!!!

Endeavor, Ventura Landing, May 31 O/N \$240	3 spots
Triton, LA Harbor, June 8, Full Day \$155	3 spots
Amigo, 22 <sup>nd</sup> St Landing, June 21 O/N \$270	Full
Fury, Dana Wharf, July 14, O/N \$240	Full
Triton, LA Harbor, August 11, Full Day \$155	12 spots
Fury, Dana Wharf, Sept 27, O/N \$240	15 spots
Amigo, 22 <sup>nd</sup> St Landing, Oct 13, O/N \$270	11 spots
Endeavor, Ventura Harbor, Nov 2, O/N \$235	13 spots
Betty O, MDR, TBD, Twilight TBD	

**Printed date is the date you will be fishing.** Overnight trips load the night before. Full payment is required to reserve a spot. Prices subject to change if surcharge is charged to the Club. Make checks payable to William Davis. Expect to pay cash for your own food, tips and fish cleaning on the boats as always. No alcohol or drugs to be brought on board. Please plan to buy your food on board, we have a galley minimum to meet.

Questions: William L Davis 626-390-7673 phone or text. Email: [WilliamLDavis7@gmail.com](mailto:WilliamLDavis7@gmail.com)

Checks payable to William Davis. Mail to 897 W Huntington Dr #D, Arcadia CA 91007. Please write the trip number in the memo on your check. Verbal reservations will not be accepted from anyone.

Departure times are tentative. They can change if everyone shows up.

I ask that younger more agile members and guests take the upper and lower bunks leaving the middle bunks to the more senior(age) members and guests. Bring your own bedding and no food is allowed in the bunk room. Due to limited tackle box space, please consider bringing smaller or soft sided tackle box.

THE CHARTERMASTER RESERVES THE RIGHT TO OVERBOOK THE TRIPS BY ONE PERSON TO ENSURE THE CLUB DOES NOT LOSE MONEY.

Each trip stands alone. By that I mean each trip is a separate entity. You can write a check for multiple trips. Bring your own bedding on trips. Do not show up sick.

All Club members and guests are expected to abide by the Department of Fish and Wildlife rules.

I will contact you prior to each trip. Each trip is best fishing available so don't call and ask. Come prepared.

### Whopper Board 2023-2024 Saltwater (Top 3 to date)

#### Rockfish, Whitefish, Sheephead, Sculpin

1. Karl Penson Sheephead 9.36lb. 12/17/23
2. Davy Schweikert Sheephead 4.40lb. 11/29/23
3. No Entry

#### Lingcod

1. Karl Penson Lingcod 12.96lb. 12/17/23
2. No Entry
3. No Entry

#### Bonito/Barracuda

1. No Entry
2. No Entry
3. No Entry

#### Halibut

1. Karl Penson Halibut 11.45lb. 12/17/23
2. No Entry
3. No Entry

#### Surf Perch/Corvina/Croaker/Corbina/Sargo

1. No Entry
2. No Entry
3. No Entry

### IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR LARGE FISH

To estimate the weight of a Bluefin/Yellowfin Tuna, the following universally recognized formula will be accepted: *Measure fork length; multiply by the girth squared; then divide by 800.* This method may be used only when the catch is over 50 pounds, and a digital scale is unavailable. The weigh-in process must be photographed. It must be performed by a qualified crewmember, and the results recorded in a dated signed statement.



**Kelp Bass/Sand Bass/Spotted Bay Bass**

1. Karl Penson Kelp Bass 2.73lb. 12/17/23
2. No Entry
3. No Entry

**Yellowtail/ Dorado**

1. No Entry
2. No Entry
3. No Entry

**White Seabass**

1. No Entry
2. No Entry
3. No Entry

**Tuna/Wahoo**

1. Davy Schweickert Bluefin Tuna 18.45lb. 11/11/23
2. No Entry
3. No Entry

**Salmon/Striped Bass**

1. No Entry
2. No Entry
3. No Entry

**Whopper Board 2023-2024 Freshwater (Top 3 to date)****Channel Catfish/Blue Catfish/Bullhead Catfish**

1. No Entry
2. No Entry
3. No Entry

**Rainbow Trout/Brown Trout/Brook Trout**

1. Tom Loy Rainbow Trout 3.25lb. 2/27/24
2. Don Merrill Rainbow Trout 2.06lb. 3/25/24
3. Robert Lopez Rainbow Trout 1.16lb. 11/4/23

**Largemouth Bass/Smallmouth Bass/Spotted Bass**

1. James Speck Largemouth Bass 5.56lb. 9-12-23
2. No Entry
3. No Entry

**Crappie/Bluegill/Sunfish/Perch**

1. No Entry
2. No Entry
3. No Entry

**Striped Bass/Salmon**

1. No Entry
2. No Entry
3. No Entry

**UPDATED INFORMATION****PLEASE READ****WEBSITE SHOULD BE UPDATED SOON****Saltwater Categories & Points Scoring Per Pound**

Rockfish/Whitefish/Sheephead/Sculpin - 8 Points/2 Points Long Range

Lingcod – 8 Points/2 Points Long Range

Bonito/Barracuda – 20 Points

Halibut – 4 Points/1 Point Long Range

Surf Perch/Corvina/Croaker/Corbina/Sargo – 40 Points

Kelp Bass/Sand Bass/Spotted Bay Bass – 20 Points

Yellowtail/ Dorado – 6 Points/4 Points Long Range

White Seabass – 4 Points

Tuna/Wahoo – 2 Points/1 Point Long Range

Salmon/Striped Bass – 4 Points/2 Points Long Range

**Freshwater Categories & Points Scoring Per Pound**

Channel/Blue/Bullhead Catfish – 10 Points/5 Points Pay

Lake/Rainbow/Brown/Brook Trout – 20 Points/10 Points Pay Lake

Largemouth/Smallmouth/Spotted Bass – 20 Points

Crappie/Bluegill/Sunfish/Perch – 40 Points

Striped Bass/Salmon – 10 Points/5 Points Long Range

**DO NOT WEIGH BABY FISH.****KEEP THEM SUBMERGED AND RELEASE THEM!**

Member and Freshwater Chair Jim Speck was at Santa Fe Dam to catch, photograph and release this large mouth bass on March 16<sup>th</sup>. My bet is that he caught it with one of his TRBs. (Tournament Ready Baits)