## **August 2010 Newsletter**



#### **This Month's Program**

Our August speaker is

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#### August 2010 President's Message

I lieu of a message, this month I get to tell a fishing story.

Last month Denise and I went to Sitka Alaska. We stayed with Kingfisher Lodge. It was an adventure. I had been to Alaska many times in the past. I usually fished by myself, staying at hotels, making separate plans for meals, fish cleaning, boat charters, the whole thing was done piecemeal. When I agreed to a trip with Denise, I knew that would not fly. We booked with Kingfisher Lodge in Sitka. It was transforming. We were picked up from the Airport and shuttled to our hotel, we had taken an extra day to site see. Hank Monroe, a local taxi driver drove us around Sitka and on a trip to the mountains. He took us to King fisher the next day. At the lodge you are served breakfast and dinner. They prepare a sandwich, drinks and snack which are on the boat. You fish four to a boat. Our group fished as a boat in order to make it easier for the captain. We divided all the catch. There is a limit of one King salmon, five Coho salmon five pink salmon, five black bass and one yellow eye a day but two for the season.

On day one we fished with Captain Brian, I forgot the name of his boat. We caught our limit of King Salmon right off, so we had to stop fishing after about six Coho salmon. We caught our limit of Black Bass in about ten minutes. They bit on just about anything. Then it was off to seek halibut. My first was approximately 65 pounds, your record is safe this year Ernie. We limited out so were back at the lodge by 2pm. The sun does not go down until about 11-11:30pm and the weather was beautiful. Denise was surprised when she brought up an octopus. It was about six feet across. I tried to have her keep the beak, but she was not having any of that. It was used for bait for the halibut.

Day 2 found us with Jim on a boat called Pockets. We made the same plans, salmon, black bass, halibut. This time the Coho were on the bite and we caught 17 before we caught our 4 Kings. The Black Bass were biting as good as the day before but this time I caught a Yellow Eye, one of the two I could catch for the season. It also counted as a bottom fish, so our halibut count was down to three that day. Again, we limited out early and were back at the lodge around 2 pm.

Day 3 found us back with Captain Jim on Pockets. The weather had changed and it was overcast, rain and drizzle, and the ride was a little choppy. The ride was longer than the day before. The kings were on the bite and we got out limit along with 9 Coho. The Black Bass were biting as usual and a very big Ling Cod chased one of Denise's Bass to the boat. Unfortunately Ling's were out of season. It was very big. Another shark was landed. The halibut were slow in biting but we caught limit. The fishing part of the trip ended with another choppy ride. The seas were not high but the ride in the smaller boats was a roller coaster ride.

Every night the lodge prepped our fish. They were cleaned and sealed individually in air tight freezer bags. They were flash frozen and boxed for the return trip. The food was great. I got some great recipes for the halibut. I've already cooked some of the black bass and it is very good. I look forward to returning soon.

The lodge made everything as easy as possible. The fish were prepared nightly. You knew

#### **Treasurer's Report**

Report is available from Ron Coleman

#### Welcome New Members

The club currently has 48 paid members.

#### **Raffle Winners**

You have to be there to win!!!

#### **Club Calendar**

#### **Club Meetings**

Date	Speaker
1/13	Captain Tom Lee
2/10	Captain David Bacon
3/10	Steve Smith
4/14	Tony Simson
5/12	Mark Franko
6/9	Mark Franko
7/14	Buy Sell Swap
8/11	
9/08	
10/13	
11/110	
12/08	Banquet

# Whopper Board Standings

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July 2010

#### **Fresh Water**

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	Tro	out
1st	Don Udlock	4.24
2nd		
3rd		
	Panfish /	Steelhead
1st	Jim Schroeder	1.1
2nd		
3rd		
	Large / Small	<b>Mouth Bas</b>
1st	Randy Mindoro	4.25
2nd	Don Udlock	2.5
3rd		
	Striped	d Bass
1st	Mike Muarizio	6.06

Don Udlock

2nd 3rd your totals by the numbers on the posted board every day. The fish was loaded and taken to the airport for you. All you had to do was check in. The fish boxes were already added to your luggage count. We ended up with approximately 237 pounds of fresh fish. For my money, Kingfisher is the way to go. No hassles with finding a restaurant every night for breakfast, lunch and dinner, no hassle with the fish cleaning and processing and no hassle with getting your catch to the airport. It was an all inclusive package and a great fishing trip. My next big adventure is supposed to be Belize, but I will return to Sitka as soon as possible.

I'm sure Denise will add to the story at the next meeting. I hope she has the pictures to show. She gets on me for never taking pictures of her fishing, but when fishing is this good; pictures are the last thing on my mind.

Anyway the year is now over half way over and many categories have not been filled. Get out and fish. The prizes and trophies are still up for grabs. Stay safe healthy and active. Until next month or the next adventure, fish!

See you on the water or at least I want to read about it, with pictures in the newsletter.

#### William

president@turnersrodandreelclub.com

#### Salt Water Charter Update

There still is a lot of people that need to pay up for the July/August Tak trip. Please do so at the July meeting because I will not be at the August meeting. Thank you Your Charter Master Richard Jenkins

#### **Turner Rod and Reel Club Charters 2010**

Date	Landing	Boat	Departure	Price	Spots
7 Aug 8 <sup>th</sup>	Newport	Aggressor	12:30 PM	\$56.00	Cancel
8 Aug 21st	Oxnard	Island Tak	4:30 AM	\$120.00	Full
9 Sept 22 <sup>nd -</sup> 27th	San Diego	American Angler Sept 22 <sup>nd</sup>	12:00 PM	\$1725.00	2
10 Oct 16 <sup>th</sup>	Oxnard	Island Tak	4:30 AM	\$120.00	2
11 Nov 27th	Oxnard	Island Tak	4:30 AM	\$120.00	6

On all Island Tak trips if fuel goes over \$3.00 a gallon there will be a \$50.00 surcharge

Charter Master Richard Jenkins (818) 246-4723 Home (818) 939-2654 Cell chartermaster@turnersrodandreelclub.com

#### Catfish

1st	Jim Schroeder	1.75
2nd		
3rd		

#### **Salt Water**

#### Calico / Sand Bass

1st	Don Merrill	6.0
2nd	Ernie Branch	5.75
2-4		

#### **Bonito / Barracuda**

1st 2nd 3rd

#### Yellowtail / Dorado / White Sea Bass

1st 2st 3rd

#### Tuna

1st	Glenn Bummer	205.00
2nd	Richard Jenkins	178.00

#### **Bottom Fish**

1st	Ernie Branch	125.0
2nd	Gary Gilingham	13.00
3rd	Paul Yazaki	10.88

#### Angler of the Year Salt Water Dec 2010

1	Ernie Branch	240
2	Richard Jenkins	225.20
3	Glenn Bummer	205.00
4	Don Merrill	202.50
5	Don Udlock	150.43
6	Mike Maurizio	140.63
7	Gary Gilingham	104.00
8	Jim Schroeder	94.5
9	Paul Yazaki	87.00
10	Randy Mindoro	84.80

#### **July 2010 RAFFLE NEWS**

#### **MEETING LOCATION**

Marie Callender's 2300 E. Foothill Blvd. Pasadena, CA 91107 626-792-3109 | FAX 626-792-2034

Our Meeting Location team has secured the upstairs banquet room for our meetings. They serve their standard menu and also serve beer and wine.

Support Marie Callender's by purchasing your meal prior to the start of the meeting. Meeting will start at 7:30 pm.

Invite a fisherman to the next meeting or bring a friend. Get involved in our monthly raffles and sign up for our monthly charters and our monthly freshwater events. There is always a



#### Name of Trip

Boat Island Tak

Landing Channel Islands

Departure 4:30 AM August 21st Return 4:30 PM August 21st Channel Island Harbor 4151 South Victoria Ave

Oxnard Ca 93035 Phone # (805) 985-8511

11 Anglers

Trip Fare \$120.00

No personnel ice chests allowed on the boat. There will be a big ice chest in the bow of the boat for your food and beverage. There is a micro Range for our use, also beer, soda and water are on sale on the boat.

Charter Master Paul Yazaki (818) 240-3757 Home (818) 357-9711 X-64035 Work

#### Fresh Water Event Update

Sept 11th Diamond Valley Res. and maybe a couple of surf fishing trips mixed in, to be announced later.

See you at the meeting,

Mike Maurizio the freshwater guy. freshwater@turnersrodandreelclub.com lot going on at the Turner's Rod and Reel Club. Come early and have dinner or a dessert before the meeting. See you there!

#### 2010 Membership Drive

The 2010 Membership Drive is on!!!! Pierre will have pre-printed forms Just bring your check or cash and validate your personal information on the pre-printed forms. The dues have changed: \$45 for an individual and \$60 for a family membership. That entitles you to one T-shirt for individuals and 2 T-Shirts for family members.

The data on the pre-printed forms comes from the club database. This is the best time to verify and update your information.

(Please make every effort to use the pre-printed forms rather than fill out a blank form. I have had instances when people supplied "new" or "revised" information (or I couldn't read their writing), only to have to change the information back at a later date! Thanks for your consideration and cooperation.)

#### **Membership Card Reminder**

All members are reminded that your club membership entitles you to a 10% discount on NON-SALE fishing tackle items at Turner's Outdoorsman stores. This discount is not available for guns or ammo. You are also reminded that after January 1 2010, your 2009 membership card is void. In order to receive the discount, a current 2010 membership card will be required. All store managers are aware of this and there are NO EXCEPTIONS.

#### **Website Update**

All of the updates have been entered into the Website. If you have anything you would like to add, e-mail it to <a href="mailto:newsletter@turnersrodandreelclub.com">newsletter@turnersrodandreelclub.com</a>.

#### July RAFFLE

Winners:

AVET 2 spd Reel- Don Merrill

Mystery Prize-Ralph Fregoso

Shimano Pliers Kit-Hugo Gutierrez

Seagar Flouro-Denniis Dickson

Net- Fred Bernthal

Grab Bags-William Davis

Will Ebersman Jim Clough Hugo Gutierrez Jerry Watlins Ralph Fregoso

OK Guys- Now is the time to tell Lynn Adams what you would like to see for the Annual Awards Banquet Raffle held in December.

#### **Members Reports**

#### **SIERRA FISHING**

By Pierre Sycip

(I never thought I'd be writing this. I've stated several times over that I don't like to fish lakes. It's too passive, the catch is too small, and the lake is too large to fish effectively, especially when I don't own a boat. You can only reach so far from shore... and it's even harder to entice fish to find you.)

Miracles happen. This year, my fishing buddy (Skip Ricarte) planned a Sierra lakes fishing trip, and I tagged along. My other companions were Jon Hauser and Norberto Pautassi. And, this is my tale of four days of freshwater adventure. (I swear it's all true! You can ask Skip, Jon, or Norberto.)

Day 1 (Friday, July 16, 2010)

My day started at 1:30AM. Skip planned to drive up and pick me up at 2AM as I live along the way to June Lake. I took a shower and parked my bag (clothes, shoes, camera, sun screen, bug spray, and sunglasses), straw hat, rods, reels, tackle bag, and food in the driveway. I was all set to kill some fish. (The sun screen, bug spray, sunglasses, and straw hat are essentials!)

Our first stop was Whitney Portal. It has a tiny pond with tiny

### Let's say surf-fishing recap.

By Mike Maurizio

It turned out be a great morning Sat. the 17th at Bolsa Chica. Kevin and Marsella were prepping their gear as I walked to the parking lot spot. The tide was ok - not to flat and not to ripping. By judging the surfers on the outer breakers, they weren't drifting at all. So the tide and swell/breakers came straight into the beach. The perch were not in the area but Marcella managed to land 3 rays on cut squid that she gently released. Kevin couldn't get the cut mackerel to stay on the hook. I tossed a walmart special 3in. shad like rubber swimbait. Not much at first. Dave Craig comes strolling up without any gear. Just came to enjoy the morning, (surfer girls).

I finally got a small hit but missed. Several cast later in the same area I hook a small halibut ,10 inches or so. As time went on Dave and myself shooting the breeze I hook another fish. He thinks it's a ray, in my mind I don't think so. It turns out to be larger halibut 18 inches approx. guess. It was fun watching the fish come in making short runs in the clear water trying to escape. A Crowd gathers, Kevin and Marcella come over and I beach the fish. After a quick picture by photographer Dave, I release the fish. It follows the tactics the guest speaker said at the Wednesday meeting. Time on the water or sand will eventually pay off. The crowd arrived

trout. It was an opportunity to assemble our gear, stretch our lines, and practice some casting. It was a shutout. No hits all around. I got a couple of small trout to chase a microtube (1/32 Power Bait orange), but no hits or bumps.

Our second stop was the Owens River, near the bridge, just off Whitney Portal Road. It's teeming with rainbow trout! We bagged six in about an hour, each about 6 inches. My friend, Jon, had the hot rod, with four trout. He was using a Tasmanian Devil (Taz). I continued casting the microtube and it was getting bumped, but no takers. The water wasn't clear, so I didn't see the action of the lure or the chase. The rainbow trouts were excellent! We had them for dinner! After seeing this action, I had to get some Tasmanian Devils.

(If you're heading west on Whitney Portal Road, look for a dirt road (left side) immediately after the bridge. Turn left (southbound) on the dirt road, and then head for the trees. It's a fishing spot. Camping is prohibited. And, the sheriff checked me for my fishing license.)

The rest of the afternoon was spent driving up to June Lake, our destination/home base.

Our third stop was Convict Lake. Skip tried the Taz. I stuck with the microtube. No hits.



Our fourth stop was Silver Lake. I continued casting with the microtube. No hits.



Day 2 (Saturday, July 17, 2010)

Our fifth stop was June Lake. We tried to rent a boat, but they were all taken. They were having a tournament. At the marina, the small Tasmanian Devils were \$4. I grabbed a couple. early and so we left at 9:00am. It was fun!



# Island Tac report By mike maurizio

Well where do I start? Ok it goes like this. Laney Hackman and myself seem to take turns driving up to the Oxnard landing. It was his turn to drive. I meet him at his house at 8:00pm and arrive there as the sun sets into the sea. It looks like everyone who's going is already there. Missing are some of the regulars, Rich, Glenn, Paul Yasaki, Sam. New faces take their places, David, Steve, Noland, Charlie, Herb, Joel, Kristeen, Jim Clough, Dennis, Laney and yours truly round out the group.

The Tac is always an adventure even before it leaves the dock. As each one of us retire into our cozy bunks, it's not long before the snoring begins. If your awake, it's hard to fall asleep. Noise comes from the head and the back-end (really) all night long. And to spice up the action, someone yells in their sleep loud enough to be heard outside. I know I was walking around. Kristeen yells out SHUT UP\*^##@!

4:30 comes around and the engines start up. As we make a right turn out of the harbor we feel a very serious rough swell beating up the boat. Was this a prelude to what the day is going to be! As we get closer to the islands the ride gets smoother.

We start off the morning picking away at the calicos. It's not wide open but enough to keep our interest going. Jim pulls up a dinosour of a cabizon, the biggest I've seen. My reaction-- jackpot all the way. John the deckhand is quickwitted and the other end of his jokes are of course who other than Herb. Herb hooks a styrofoam cup and you guess what follows. Herb being good natured goes along with it and takes it in stride.(he's the man)

We move from spot to spot . No white sea bass show up but the barracuda breeze thru. They were 6&7 pounders. As time runs out ,weigh in for the JP begins. David wins the calico pot. Jim and Laney square off between the cabizon and a log barrie. It leans toward the cuda. I decide to weigh my Krocadile caught barrie. It turns out to be a decision, thats why I'm writing this letter. I win the other JP! Sorry Laney. It was a good day ,Steve was cheerful and only got mad at two boaters who got too close to our bow--stupid ignoramouses!! I gave Laney gas money, gave John the jack-pot money,and brought home an assortment of fish. All in all Calicos, barracuda, cabizon, several buttermouth perch,assorted rock bass, one sea gull and a coffee cup were caught. Not a bad day!!

I'm tired of writing

mike maurizio



Our sixth stop was Gull Lake. We were able to rent a boat. By most accounts (fishing store, marina personnel, and other fishermen and fisherwomen), Power Bait rainbow (with specks), salmon eggs, cheese, or garlic were the weapons of choice.



I started with the microtube. I tried casting it... jigging it (deep)... and bobbing it (shallow). No hits.

I changed to Taz. I threw it in deep water. I retrieved it deep (slow). I retrieved it shallow (fast). I threw it towards the shoreline. I threw it towards the reeds. No hits.

Skip drew first blood with the inflated earthworm. I tried several inflated earthworms. No hits for me.

Close to the end of the day, I tossed in Zeke's orange garlic deep. Bingo! Hookup! I was finally on the board. We had seven rainbows from Gull Lake, ranging from 6-8 inches. Most of the damage was done with the inflated earthworm.



Rick's Tackle in Mammoth has the greatest assortment of Tasmanian Devils I've ever seen. They have three sizes. Their large ones are only \$6.38. I grabbed a couple more Tazes: one with mackerel colors and one with sardine colors. I'm anxious to try them in the ocean!

Day 3 (Sunday, July 18, 2010)

We spent the morning at Yosemite. We met the local



Yosemite Conservancy volunteer. He told us about limiting at Ellery Lake in an hour and his wife bagging a whopper at Saddlebag Lake.



Our seventh stop was Ellery Lake. There were no boats in the lake and no fishermen around the lake. We decided against trying it.

Our eighth stop was Saddlebag Lake. We talked to the marina girl. She said there's tons of fish and everything's working: worms, Power Bait, and lures. We asked the shoreline fishermen. No one's caught a thing. We decide to believe the fishermen and move on.



Our ninth stop was Bridgeport Reservoir. Jack from Fisherman's Access (Brea) recommended it. We open the car doors and smell a foul, rotten odor in the air. We then notice a full algae bloom, still waters, no boaters, no shore fishing, and one lone sailing boat. We decide to move on.

Our tenth stop was Twin Lakes (upper). The wind was brisk. We tried inflated worms, Power Bait, and Taz. No hits.



Our eleventh stop was Silver Lake. We tried inflated worms, Power Bait, and Taz. No hits.



Day 4 (Monday, July 19, 2010)

We made a shopping stop at Rick's in Mammoth. I grabbed a couple more Tasmanian Devils. This time they had "Luminous" ones.

Our twelfth stop was the Owens River, Benton Bridge Crossing. Jon tried fly fishing... no hits. I tried Taz and teased out several small trout. My smallest Taz was larger than the trout's head. These trout were maybe 3-4 inches. I switched to a fly. I went to the same spot. I couldn't teased out these small trout with the fly; however, the frys (about an inch) were having a field day nibbling on the fly threads. Otherwise, no hits.



We made a stop at Manzanar. Skip had been there before. He wanted us to see the fishing display. The bad news is that the fishing display has been removed. (We found out later that the display is on tour.)

Manzanar was the Japanese internment camp from World War II. Despite the prison conditions, the internees "escaped"... just to go fishing. They risked death and injury just to go fishing. They had to shimmy under the barbed wire in the still of the night, and the guards sometimes fired upon them. The Owens River is a distance away and it took a day to trek to the river, fish, and return to the camp. The amazing stat is no prisoner "escaped" from Manzanar... they all returned after fishing. Another amazing stat... no Japanese internees were ever prosecuted or convicted of conspiracy or espionage. (I wanted to see what they used for hook and bait.)

#### From Barbed Wire to Barbed Hooks http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zqPEozm4kTE

Our thirteenth stop was the Owens River, Whitney Portal... again. We tried inflated worms, Power Bait, and Tasmanian Devils. I used the green/yellow/red sparkly Taz and scored my limit within an hour. (Warning: I got caught in the weeds and reeds several times. I'm glad I loaded up with P-Line. I was able to pull my lure out most of the time. I eventually lost my green/yellow/red sparkly Taz to the river weeds.)

The inflated worms didn't work this time. After a while, the Tasmanian Devil stopped working and Power Bait salmon egg took over. We had seventeen rainbows (between four anglers), about 6 inches.

#### **Summary**

I loved fishing the Owens River, Whitney Portal. I still hate lake, river, and shoreline fishing. I've grown to love the Taz lure, and I'm anxious to take them to the ocean. It was a great trip... non-stop action. The drive was tedious, but the mountain air and fresh fish was well worth the price of admission. Besides, Skip did all the driving.

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