

May 2011 Newsletter



This Month's Program

Our speaker for the Wednesday, April 11th will be someone, I'm quite sure you all know. Bobby Ota from Johnny's Sport Shop, Below is part of an article written about the Ota family and their success in the fishing industry.



Warren, Itsy and Bobby Ota

There is a store on North Lincoln Avenue which gives Disneyland some real competition when it comes to being "the happiest place on Earth."

At Johnny's Sport Shop, three generations of a single family have served several generations of fishermen and women learn the art and craft of fishing and – apart from stories about the "big one that got away" – pursue the happiness and tranquility of one of the world's oldest sports.

"We do have lot and lots of old customers that come here," says Isuko "Itsy" Ota, who opened the store with her husband Johnny in 1958.

The store has evolved and grown over the decades (from six types of reels to its current 240!) but its cheerful atmosphere hasn't. From the homemade cookies on the counter to the infectious laugh of son Bobby Ota, one can't help but feel comfortable even if the incredible quantity of fishing gear is a bit intimidating to the uninitiated.

Newcomers are welcome, Bobby says, and he relishes helping a man or woman who comes in to the store, interested in reacquainting themselves with a pastime they remember enjoying with their father or grandfather.

The store is well known among longtime aficionados. Ota says that Johnny's sends gear around the world, from commercial fishing tackle up to Alaska, to a sports fishing resort down in Brazil – even to a client on board a United States aircraft carrier in the Indian Ocean!

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Treasurer's Report

Report is available from Ron Coleman

Welcome New Members

The club currently has 74 paid members.

Raffle Winners

You have to be there to win!!!

Club Calendar

Club Meetings

Date	Speaker
1/12	Tom & Darlene Lee
2/09	Mike Simonowski
3/09	Captain Steve Smith
4/13	John Fuga
5/11	Johnny's Sport Shop
6/08	
7/13	
8/10	
9/14	
10/12	
11/09	Elections
12/14	Banquet

Fresh Water Events

Event	Date	Location
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May 2011 President's Message

Well the season is in full swing. Fred Hall is past so you should be geared up. If you haven't been out, you are behind schedule. Fish are biting so where are you? The trips are filling up and I believe this will be a banner year. High winds kept some people in at Ventura last week but the weather seems to be calming down and it is warming up. GET out and FISH!

Some people have asked to bring things in to sell or barter with other club members. Although I set aside the July meeting as our annual Buy, Sell Trade or Swap date, it is always ok to bring items in. It is a fishing club and I think we all enjoy the art of the deal. Try to make it before the meeting and respect our speakers who are giving of their time and efforts to come speak to us.

I have had people congratulate us for our contribution to the MLPA fight. I want to express my great admiration for the club for taking the lead in this matter. Dick speaks for the industry and we put our money where our mouth was and stepped up when it counted. Along with Friends of Rollo contributions, we have really shined these past few months.

Friends of Rollo, 976 Tuna, Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts and Dan Hernandez are just a few of the organizations which can use volunteers. I hope you take time to volunteer with one of these organizations or at least introduce someone new to fishing. To maintain the sport we must bring in new sportspeople. Will, Denise, Ralph and Becky are just a few of our members who do a lot of volunteer work to bring kids into fishing. I hope others follow their lead and do the same!

If you go fishing and stand up and tell us about it at the meeting, send your pictures and written article to Sam for the newsletter and Warren for the Whopper Board. I am very guilty of just fishing and bragging, no article or picture.

Remember last year's banquet had several prizes go unclaimed. The Crappie prize was won by mere ounces. C'mon we can do better than that!

Anyway, Good fishing and good luck this year. See you out there!

William
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Whopper Board Standings

YTD STANDINGS **Dec 2011**

Fresh Water

Trout

1st	Karl Penson	5.8
2nd		
3rd		

Panfish / Steelhead

1st	Ernie Branch	0.4oz
2nd		
3rd		

Large / Small Mouth Bass

1st		
2nd		
3rd		

Striped Bass

1st		
2nd		
3rd		

Catfish

1st	Karl Penson	2.8
2nd		
3rd		

Salt Water

Calico / Sand Bass

1st	Ernie Branch	4.11
2nd		
3rd		

Bonito / Barracuda

1st		
2nd		
3rd		

Yellowtail / Dorado / White Sea Bass

1st	Dick Guiliani	46
2nd	Ernie Branch	36.11
3rd		

Tuna

1st	Glenn Bummer	286
2nd	Jerry Watkins	216.8
3rd	Rich Jenkins	173

Bottom Fish

1st	Ernie Branch	17.1
2nd	Christine Tureaud	3.10
3rd	Joel Tureaud	3.0

Angler of the Year **Salt Water** **Dec 2011**

#	Name	Points
1	Ernie Branch	365.56
2	Glenn Bummer	286
3	Dick Guiliani	276
4	Jerry Watkins	216.8
5	Rich Jenkins	205.8
6	Karl Penson	116.3
7	Christine Tureaud	24.63
8	Joel Tureaud	24
9	Jim Clough	21.76
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Salt Water Charter Update

**We need two people for the May Tak trip. I know it's not a Dan Hernandez trip but you can support your club!
I have updated the 2011 Charter doc please put in news letter.**

Turner Rod and Reel Club Charters 2011

Date	Landing	Boat	Departure	Price	Spots
2 May 12th	Ventura	Pacific Dawn May 11th	10:00 PM	\$160.00	Full
3 May 27th	Oxnard	Island Tak	4:30 AM	\$105.00	2
4 June 6 th	Ventura	Pacific Dawn June 5th	10:00 PM	\$160.00	Full
5 June 23rd	Oxnard	Island Tak	4:30 AM	\$105.00	Full
6 July 23rd	Oxnard	Island Tak	4:30 AM	\$125.00	6
8 Aug 27th	Oxnard	Island Tak	4:30 AM	\$125.00	Full
9 Sept 18th `25th	San Diego	American Angler Sept 18th	12:00 PM	\$2275.00	12
10 Oct 22nd	Oxnard	Island Tak	4:30 AM	\$125.00	Full
11 Nov 26th	Oxnard	Island Tak	4:30 AM	\$125.00	4

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May 2011 RAFFLE NEWS

MEETING LOCATION

**Marie Callender's
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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 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!

2011 Membership Drive

The 2011 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 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 2011, your 2010 membership card is void. In order to receive the discount, a current 2011 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 newsletter@turnersrodandreelclub.com.

Name of Trip

Boat	Island Tak	
Landing	Channel Islands	
Departure	4:30 AM	May 27th 2011
Return	4:30 PM	May 27th 2011
Channel Island Harbor 4151 South Victoria Ave Oxnard Ca 93035 Phone # (805) 985-8511 11 Anglers		
Trip Fare	\$105.00	

THERE WILL BE A \$5.00 FUEL SURCHARGE PER HEAD

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.

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Fresh Water Event Update

Freshwater Schedule

May 14 Bolsa Chica or Silverwood

Our April 23rd freshwater trip was a short drive up the 15 to Silverwood lake. I would like to start off by saying the drive up was not a pleasant one the rain started somewhere around the citrus off ramp on the 210 by the time I reached the 15 traffic was starting to back up 10 min. later we were driving about 20 mph and could only see about 50 feet. If I didn't have kids birthday parties to attend I would have turned right around and gone back to bed. Once at the lake I was amazed to see an opening in the clouds that seemed to be put there by the fishing gods (their only gift of the day). After my friend Pablo and I got our boat we were off. after about an hour of getting our lines wet I spotted 2 faces I knew Don and Dave made their way over to us said our hellos and were talking about the bite or lack of and just enjoying the morning as Dave and Don made their way up the shoreline Dave was able to catch what would be the only fish we would see that day. Way to go Dave!
We stayed on the lake and continued to try our luck the wind started to kick up about noon so Pablo and I decided to try fishing from the shore with no luck. So after all is said and done I had a great time fishing and can't wait for this month's trip. I would like to have a surf fishing trip so if you know when would be a good weekend for this please let me know. I have never been and can't wait to do it.

Hugo Gutierrez the freshwater guy.
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May RAFFLE NEWS:

From the Secretaries Office of Denise Davis
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More News

Ron Coleman

Ron has 2 spots open on his 2 day July 19-20 Tuna trip on the Pegasus.
If you would like to go or have any questions call Ron at 626-355-9216

Circle Hook

John Fuqua, owner of the Sea Jay, was our speaker at the last meeting. In his talk he said that he really liked a 196 circle hook. After I looked all over for the 196 and could not find any, I e-mailed John and he gave me the *correct* number.

Eagle Claw Lazer Sharp L197F.

I ordered them from Bass Pro Shop (very easy to find online when you have the correct number); they were \$10 for a box of 40 hooks. I got a box of 4/0 and 5/0; both sizes will work fine.
Ron C.

Opening on May 13 Trip

We have an opening on the May 13 Pacific Dawn trip. This will be a full-fare \$160 spot. The reason this is a full-fare spot is because as a club we are trying to make this trip as fair as possible for Pat Cavanaugh. Anyone interested in going on this trip please call Ron Coleman at 626-355-9216 as soon as possible. The first person to call obviously gets the trip. Ron was the Charter Master on the tsunami trip and will also be the Charter Master on this re-scheduled trip.

Denise Williams

I have an idea that you may or may not want to use. How about asking people to submit an article about their lifetime most memorable fishing experience. This could be interesting. Some of the more senior members could have some great stories.

Members Reports

Pacific Dawn April 11, 2011

By
Jeff Crane

Pictures
By
Rich Jenkins

Hoping to get a good bunk my father, Ralph Crane, and I arrived at the landing a little early, about 8:00. Of course Christine, Joel and Kaili were already there along with John and James Ward, and a few others. The boat was no where in sight. We asked where the boat was and were told they were coming in late as they had a hard time finding fish and would be in around 9:30. Great, I thought, no fish. The boat did get back about 9:30 with not a lot of smiling faces. A few of the guys getting off said they hoped our trip was a little better, fish and weather wise. A quick wash down and 17 of us were boarding, usual safety and game plan talk and we were out of there. We would head over to Santa Rosa, try to pick up some squid and start the day looking for the White Seabass. As it had been a long day for me, it was off to bed.

Hunting Trip
By
Ron Coleman

After meeting Ryan Cavanaugh on our last Pacific Dawn trip I was very impressed at what a very nice young man he is. Ryan and I talked a lot on the trip about his many fishing and hunting trips that he has been on with his father, Pat. On the boat I talked with Pat to see if it would be a problem for Ryan to miss a day of school if I could arrange a turkey hunt for Ryan. Pat said that Ryan is a good student and missing a day would not be a problem. We did not tell Ryan about the plans until I could contact my friends and get the trip set up. My friends said that they would love for me to bring a 14 year old down to their property to try to get a turkey. They also warned me that it has been a very tough year and no one has been successful yet this year.

After completing arrangements I explained to Pat and Ryan that they had to be there the night before the hunt so I could explain all of the scenarios that might happen the next day.

Leaving the harbor, I could feel the boat being tossed a bit but nothing like the March 11th trip.

I guess I staggered up on deck at about 6:00, it was still dark out. The squid lights were out and the whole stern of the boat was surrounded with squid. I have never seen squid so thick outside of a bait receiver. The crew was netting the squid by the barrel. They filled the bait tanks and then some trash bags for use on future trips. Cap'n Pat suggested we pin one on and send it to the bottom in hopes of enticing one of the Seabass. We must have been drowning bait for a half an hour with no luck when Cap'n said we were going outside to try our hand at the bottom fish. A little bumpy and windy but very fishable. In a couple of hours the sun would come out and it was t-shirt weather. The first spot was a great choice with a good number of nice reds coming over the rail. Same with the next couple of spots, mostly reds with a few other species mixed in including some nice Ling cod, which turned out to be the first and second place jackpot. Mine tipped the scales at 9 lbs 11 oz. taking first and Laney Hackman took second with, I believe, a 6 pound, 3 ounce. Congrats to him. With limits of rock fish for all, we would go back inside for one last drift for the Seabass (unsuccessful) and then head for home.

Shel, our incredible chef, had been keeping everybody happily fed all day, offered up some incredible clam/seafood chowder and fresh caught fish tacos for the ride back to the landing. So, after a couple of tacos and a bowl of chowder, I went down below to try to get some sleep.

I guess we were traveling about a half an hour when I heard a loud thud and then the engines quit. I laid in my bunk for a few minutes and when I did not hear anything, I decided to go up on deck to see what was going on. We had hit, what I would guess as, a couple hundred yards of 3/4 inch, rope and it was wrapped around the prop. The crew quickly pulled the bulk of the rope on board, it covered most of the stern. I saw that 4 strands were still going over the rail and under the boat. Capt. Pat started the engines and we were off. I assumed, at this point, the rope was just wrapped around the rudder and we were OK. I once again retired to my bunk only to be woken up a short time later to lack of engine noise. I again went up to see what was up. Cap'n. Pat had motored the boat up close to the island into sheltered water and was dressed in his wet suit. The rope had fouled the prop and he needed to go over the side and try to cut the rope off the shaft. After a very noble attempt, he was unsuccessful. We would have to limp in with only one engine. The one remaining engine, dragging the other one along, was only able to generate about 4 1/2 knots. It was going to be a long ride home. We finally got back to the dock at about 10:00. My thanks to Rich Jenkins, our charter master, and Ron Coleman along with everybody else there, I had a great time.

The Pacific Dawn is a great boat with a great Captain and crew. Couple that with a fun group of people from the club and you can't come up with a better way to spend the day out on the water.

The morning of the hunt the three of us were in the field with the turkey decoys set up by 5:45 a.m. The excitement started early as we heard many turkeys gobbling giving us high hopes for the day. At about 6:30 a.m. we had two hen turkeys walk right into the decoys, 17 yards from us. For the next 10 minutes they entertained us as they talked to the decoys and walked around staring at them. Finally one of the hens got mad at the anti-social decoy and started pecking at it--and finally gave up and walked away in disgust.

Then the looong waiting game started for us. We continued to hear tom turkeys gobble all around us all morning, but it was very deceiving how far their voices traveled. Finally at 2:45 p.m. we heard a very loud gobble, and I told Ryan to take his safety off and get his gun ready. The schooling we had had the previous night paid off as nobody moved, and I was able to call the two big toms to the decoys.

After five minutes of the bigger tom strutting and drumming, he finally give us a profile look and made the fatal mistake of sticking his neck out. That's when the high fives and hugs began. The turkey was sporting a 9 3/4" beard and 1" spurs, which is a very huge turkey. In fact, Ryan has actually created a challenge for himself: He's 14 years old and he's already taken a trophy turkey! Hopefully he will have many more turkey hunts and someday be able to match his trophy tom.





Cal Delta 4/20/11 to 4/24/11

By
Ed Cazares

Hey guys we visited the Cal Delta 4/20/11 to 4/24/11 and absolutely whacked 'em...

We had fish over 7lbs every day up to 11.2lbs. We lost another min 12lbr at the boat that shook one last time. The amount of fish we caught in four days was mind boggling.

If all I threw was the Senko in dark green pumpkin/amber it would have still been a phenomenal trip with the same heavyweight pigs. We did catch fish on the blade, jig, frog, plastic craw baits and the chatter baits. Everything worked but the Yamamoto Senko was the main bait of choice.



The water temps were very unstable... We would find excellent 62-65 degrees in an entire area only to find it as low as 57-58 degrees the very next day. Our group of boats traveled every day and covered water from Discovery up Walnut Grove and everywhere in between. We found a few areas where the water temps were consistently stable between 62-67 degrees every day and as you would guess that is where ALL of our big fish came for the four and half days.

My hat goes off to Joe and Kim at Happy Harbor for excellent food and service. They took care of us and we sure took care of them in return. It was another fantastic trip to the Delta where we spent this fifth annual fun fishing trip at B&W resort who also showed us another phenomenal time. Can't wait to go back!

Later; Big Ed!



