



MAY 2024 NEWSLETTER

Andrew Mack, Freshwater Guide, IGFA Grand Slam Member



Let's welcome Andrew Mack this month as our speaker. It is his first time to visit us. Andrew is a Licensed Freshwater Fishing Guide, owner of Macks Fish Reports & Guide Service. He is also the only registered bow fishing guide for Big Bear Lake and offers trout trips as well. Besides his own social media pages, he does social media for Evike.com and runs saltwater trips for them. He is the freshwater guy and a part of the Angler Chronicles Crew, doing both TV and radio for them. He is a representative for Bite-ON Red Crimson and is also featured on the label of each bottle. He promotes the Fishing Syndicate Trout Series rods. He has been an IGFA Representative since 2021 and holds a certificate for the IGFA Trout Super Grand Slam Club for catching four different species of trout on the same day as well as a Royal Slam certificate for catching 7 trout species in a lifetime. And you likely have seen his name as a writer for Western Outdoor News.

As a bow fisherman, Andrew has removed thousands of invasive carp from Big Bear Lake to Lake Elsinore as well as other inland lakes where bow fishing is legal.

Andrew is going to share his tips for successful freshwater trout fishing. Hopefully we can have him touch on bowfishing and talk about his Grand Slam as well, but he has so much to offer we may need a return visit.

CLUB MEETING WEDNESDAY, MAY 8, 2024, 7 PM at

MATT DENNYS ALE HOUSE RESTAURANT ENCLOSED PATIO.

President's Message for May 2024

The active fishing season has started. The shows and conventions are over and now the fight to be freshwater and/or saltwater angler of the year begins! An early lead in freshwater has already been established by an early season win by Jose M Dominguez! Can he hold the lead and sweep thru to the championship? That remains to be seen. This year the club has 15 club events (worth double points on the whopper board) which you can attend. These events are not the only events in which you can make whopper board entries but include:

1. Castaic Lake April 27, 2024
2. Big Bear May 18-19, 2024
3. Endeavor overnight trip May 31, 2024 Leaves May 30, 2024 8pm Ventura Landing
4. Triton Day trip leaves 5am LA Harbor June 8, 2024
5. June 15, 2024 Lake Perris
6. June 21, 2024 Amigo leaving June 20, 2024 8pm 22nd Street
7. July 6, 2024 Twilight trip Betty O Marina Del Rey Leaves 430pm
8. July 14, 2024 Fury Dana Point landing leaves July 13 8pm
9. July 26, 2024 Lake Skinner
10. August 11, 2024 Triton LA Harbor
11. August 24, 2024 Santa Fe Dam
12. September 14, 2024 Legg Lake (Club Picnic)
13. September 27, 2024 Fury Dana Point Landing leaving September 26, 2024 8pm
14. October 13, 2024 Amigo 22nd Street leaving October 12, 2024
15. October 26, 2024 Puddingstone
16. November 2, 2024 Endeavor leaving November 1, 2024 Ventura Landing

I know there are 16 dates shown. Remember our Angler of the Year competition runs from November 1 to November 1 of each year.

RULES for overnight trips

1. We board the boat in the order in which you purchased your charter UNLESS you have a medical need i.e. C Pap machine or need to be near an electrical outlet.
2. We fish the best fishing available. The captain decides where we fish and what species we go after. I will try to make a determination but it's captains' choice.
3. I need the name and phone number of ALL non club members you are bringing on the charters. Preferably a number at which they can receive a text message as I send out text messages to all anglers on a charter with trip information.
4. I do not control the weather, fuel surcharges or if the boat adds an extra \$3.00 to put bacon on your cheeseburger.
5. Bring your own bedding. Covid, not being the problem it once was, is still considered a threat.
6. If you are ill for ANY reason, STAY HOME. Come on the next trip.
7. Questions???? Text me at 626 390 7673.

CCA California

The Star Tournament is beginning See CCA California.org for more information and /or another page.

CCA Fundraising Events

1. Channel Islands Chapter Hold'em Tournament May 4, 2024
2. San Diego Chapter APP and Taps May 18, 2024
3. CCA now has a Podcast
4. CCA is measuring and sponsoring the WSB head collection. See CCAcalifornia.org for locations
5. CCA and BD Outdoors is putting on a Bay Bass Classic May 11, 2024

Fishing in the City

Fishing in the City is a youth program for kids under the age of 16 (when you need a license). Local lakes are stocked with catfish or trout and we give local kids the opportunity to enjoy a day outside in nature and with family. At most events we provide tackle, bait, and free lunch and raffle prizes usually consisting of fishing tackle. There is no better way for an angler to give back to the sport of

fishing than to pass on your love of the sport. Besides kids, after the event adults can usually fish the lake. Confirmed 2024 dates are:

1. South Bay Youth Fishing event Calendar Park May 11, 2024
2. Chollas Kids Fishing Derby Chollas Lake (San Diego) June 8, 2024
3. Cerritos Kids Fishing Derby Don Knabe Park Cerritos June 15, 2024

There are 8 other tentatively scheduled events so far for 2024. You MIGHT consider volunteering at one or more of the events to help with set up, rods and just helping kids/parents learn to fish. If interested please see me. I will list events as they are approved.

So, you have opportunities to fish salt and freshwater with the club or on your own. As you fish and take those vacations, please send in your stories, pictures etc.

Finally, as anglers and club members remember to submit your pictures on a digital scale using decimals not ounces and ALL fish should be legal sized fish, please. A one-ounce baby bass will not get you recognition as a great angler.

Thank you, see you on the water.

William Davis. President

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**. ALL SUMMER! 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. California fish only.

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. You only have to submit a fish to possibly win, it doesn't have to be the largest catch.

Tentative Freshwater Dates

May 18th & 19th Big Bear

June 15th Perris

July 20th Skinner

August 24th Santa Fe Dam

September 14th Legg Lake &
Morning Picnic

October 26th Puddingstone

BIG BEAR EVENT DETAILS

Per Jim Speck: Make sure you check in with Jim when you get there and when you leave. Jim's phone or text: 626-230-3132. He wants to meet both mornings at Boulder Bay Park at 7 a.m. He will award 2 packs of his TRB baits. The lake is open at sunrise. Deadline for entries is 12 noon each day. Each day is separate.

For those staying Saturday night, Jim suggests we all meet for dinner. Suggestions?

CALENDAR

1. May 3, 4, 5 West Coast Outdoors and Sportfishing Expo, Ventura Fairgrounds. Opens 10 a.m. every day.
2. May 8, Meeting at Matt Dennys with Speaker Andrew Mack
3. May 11, Brea Tackle Swap Meet sponsored by Fishers of Men
4. May 18 & 19, Big Bear Lake Club Fishing event
5. May 30, Endeavor Charter leaving the dock, fishing May 31, 2024.

BIG BEAR LAKE WEEKEND

The weekend event at Big Bear Lake will be May 18th and 19th 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. See Jim's information above for more details. Dress in layers, it is likely still chilly up there.

APRIL DRAWINGS

1. Blue hookup bait large - William Davis
2. Green Sala surface iron- Sergio Gonzalez
3. Daiwa deckhand pliers - Dick Guiliani
4. Yellow slow pitch jig & mini Coltsniper - Steve Bermudes
5. Blue slow pitch jig - Robert Stigile
6. Yellow silver slow pitch jig - Ron Berry
7. Red white blue slow pitch jig- Jimmy Garcia
8. Popper & Tuna Killer - Dick Guiliani
9. 2 small jigs - William Davis
10. Shimano casting Rod – Michael Ross

Unused tackle laying around? Please consider donating new items to the Club.

Grand prize Avet Reel LX 4.6:1 won by Jimbo aka Jim Sainz (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 CARD/DISCOUNT

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.

2024 Saltwater Charter Schedule – Limited Loads

Endeavor, Ventura Landing, May 31 O/N \$240	Full
Triton, LA Harbor, June 8, Full Day \$155	3 spots
Amigo, 22nd St Landing, June 21 O/N \$270	Full
Betty O, MDR, July 6 Twilight \$55	Open
Fury, Dana Wharf, July 14, O/N \$240	5 spots
Triton, LA Harbor, August 11, Full Day \$155	12 spots
Fury, Dana Wharf, Sept 27, O/N \$240	15 spots
Amigo, 22nd St Landing, Oct 13, O/N \$270	11 spots
Endeavor, Ventura Harbor, Nov 2, O/N \$235	13 spots

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

Questions: William L Davis 626-390-7673 phone or text. Email: 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. **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 coolers, alcohol or drugs to be brought on board. Please plan to buy your food on board, we have a galley minimum to meet.

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.



Castaic Report 4/27/2024

Today we fished Castaic Lake. The people that attended are Sergio Gonzalez, Jim Speck, Jose L. Dominguez and Jose M. Dominguez. Bill Sullivan also drove up there. Today the weather was very windy and cold. Fishing was very tough. The park didn't allow any boats on the lake because of high winds. It was very tough fishing. I couldn't see many people catch fish. I got lucky and found an area where there's trout. My biggest trout was 1.43lb caught it on garlic Power Bait. I was very happy to catch fish.

From:
Jose M Dominguez

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.

NEWS FROM THE BOARD

It was brought up at the most recent Board meeting that good sportsmanship includes the careful handling of juvenile fish. When the Board agreed in 2022 that all legal fish were eligible for the Whopper Board, they assumed that the members would not submit juvenile fish for points on the Whopper Board. Good sportsmanship does not include the weighing of juvenile fish. Juvenile fish are to be handled minimally, kept in the water if possible while removing the hook. Also, since it is not a Whopper, a photo is not necessary either. The Board is requesting that the members remember this and refrain from handling all juvenile fish.



ONLY AT TURNER'S ROD & REEL CLUB

In April we started a special drawing for a Daiwa Tanacom 500 electric reel. It retails at \$599.99 plus tax. This reel will be excellent for fishing rockfish 300 feet and deeper. We will have this reel to display at the meetings. The drawing will be held the first week of July. Tickets will be \$20 each or 6 for \$100. At this time the opportunity is limited to Club members only. If you can't make a meeting, contact David Ige at dige@earthlink.net. Your dues must be paid in order to buy tickets.