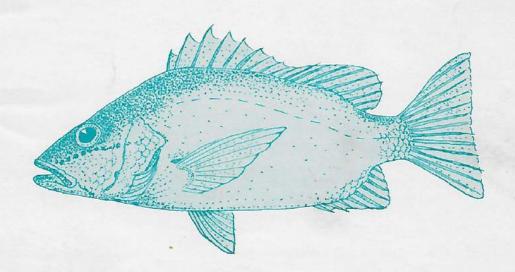


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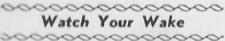
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By Gene Henry

At the risk of being too optimistic too soon, I would say there have been definite signs the past two months that surf fishing in the Cholla Bay area is picking up.

Reports have been coming in of good seatrout and pompano catches both at Cholla and the First Estuary. The boys and I found fishing slow, but steady Labor Day Weekend. Then last weekend, fishing with the Valentines and guests, we hit into a hot school of seatrout and pompano at the Estuary.

We were discussing this over drinks at the Valentines. The general concensus was that the wind and storm conditions that have prevailed this summer have slowed inshore commercial fishing and have allowed schools to build back up along the beaches. If this is the case, and good weather returns, we can probably expect heavy gill netting to resume and surf fishing return to its former lousy state.

One type of fishing that has been hot all summer is close off-shore fishing for mackerel. Due to the lack of school fish along the beaches, many surf fishermen have been bringing their small bass and cartop boats to troll the mack hotspots off Pelican Point, Pinto Point,

Sandy Beach and Rocky Point.

This is fishing the whole family can enjoy. There is nothing my three girls enjoy more than trolling for macks. You haven't lived until you skipper a small boat full of squealing girls all tied up to macks going in different directions. Needless to say, under conditions like this, Poppa shouldn't plan on fishing himself.

The favorite and most effective way of hooking into these



"Who Sez Girls Can't Catch Fish"
String of Mackerel caught trolling
between Pelican and Pinto PointsJune, 1970

Left, Becky Davies Right, Leslie Henry

stream-lined speedsters is by trolling two to three lines at a fairly fast clip. You don't need to let out a lot of line and macks seem to hit best in the white water churned up by the motor.

You also do not need expensive special equipment for this fishing. Any fairly stiff action light

trolling rig will do - a fresh water bass bait casting or spinning outfit works fine. Pick up a dozen or so short wire or nylon-covered wire leaders (be sure they have a swivel on one end to keep the line from twisting); and a handful of Tony Acetta Pet Spoons in sizes 14 or 15 (I personally prefer 14); and you're in business.

If you want to add to the fun of mack fishing, toss in a spinning rig set up for casting. When one or more of your party gets a hookup trolling, cast right behind the hooked fish. There are generally several macks following close behind and the chances of getting a hookup are real good.

If you do plan on fishing for macks - and you are missing a lot of fun if you don't - here's a few tips I've found most helpful:

- 1. Take along a plastic bucket or garbage can to put fish in when caught. Macks are a heavy bleeder and have slimy scales that come off at the slightest touch. This can save a mean job of cleaning your boat after the fishing's over.
- 2. Carry a big cloth to wipe your hands on and a sponge to wipe up blood and scales before they dry to a glue-like finish.
 - 3. By all means, have a pair of

long-nose pliers on board to remove the lure. Macks have a full set of razor-sharp teeth which you want to keep your fingers clear of.

4. And last, throw in a large piece of cloth or a gunny sack to wet and lay over the fish to keep them cool and moist until you can clean them.

Incidentally, mackerel usually stay in the Cholla Bay area until late November.

Most of you Cholla Bay Old Timers will remember my eldest son Mike, who has been living in Missouri the past five years. He, his wife Joan, and our two little granddaughters moved back to Phoenix this summer and Mike is now working in the Sporting Goods Department of Kelly's at 35th Avenue and Northern. I hope all of you will get a chance to meet Mike. They have a complete line of salt water tackle at Kelly's and I can vouch that this young man can answer any questions you might have concerning fishing and fishing tackle.

Also, in closing, I'd like to say it's been a real pleasure working with Dr. Tom Burch on the Chatter these past few years. The Club has been fortunate indeed to have such a dedicated and efficient volunteer as Editor.

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ARTHUR SCHWARZ

When You Are Away From Someone You Love The Months Pass Quickly — It's The Days That Are So Long.

Doc Burch informed me this would be the last issue of the Chatter he could edit before moving to Hawaii. It is with deep regret that we part with Doc. He did a great job and performed admirable service to the Club. It was a time consuming and often a thankless job. At times he did not have enough articles submitted to make up a paper. Like most other clubs this club has many members who like our publication, but they won't spend ½ hr. or so writing up their experiences at the Bay. Won't you members who have had a harrowing or amusing experience drop a line to the new editor and give him something to fill in the pages? Send pictures, they are always interesting. Everyone who has had Search and Rescue tow them in has a story to tell. Publishing it in the Chatter may aid some other member in the future. Maybe your dog wandered off and you thought he was lost and later you found him. You know, its a good idea to mark your

cabin number on the back of his vacination tag or license tag. You don't have to be a correspondent and english perfect. My articles are full of gramatical errors and spelling but I sure don't worry about it. Most of them are corrected before they appear in printing.

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SO LONG. . . . IT'S BEEN NICE TO HAVE YOU ABOARD

By Wes Douglas

As most of you know by now, our editor of the monthly Chatter is leaving us for never-never land. I guess the gentle breezes, swaying palms and the young maidens has been just too much for him to back off from.

The most difficult and least appreciated job in the Cholla Bay Sportsmen's Club is being the editor. Tom Burch has given freely of his time and know how for the benefit of the Club and I'll make a bet that there are not more than fifty percent who know him or even give thought to the work behind putting out our monthly Chatter. This is a job that nobody wants and few are qualified to do the things necessary to give us our Chatter each month. Tom has repeatedly requested articles and pictures for use in the Chatter and with a very few exceptions his plea has gone unanswered.

In my book Tom has done one helluv-a-job for a long time without any pats on the back. Just complaints and uncomplimentary remarks has been something that he has had to put up with.

I think I am well qualified to make such a statement for I have numerous times bitched about the Chatter and its contents. Even to this day I still do not agree with some of the things that are put in the Chatter, but I must give Tom credit for he has been loyal to his

convictions, regardless of how many complaints and uncomplimentary remarks that have been tossed his way he has stood up on his two hind legs and defended his opinions.

I am happy to say that all of my complaints about the Chatter that were given to him as well as anyone else that would listen have been accepted without any recriminations. I was willing at any time to say what I had to say to Tom in person and was not one that would go behind his back and fuss and raise the devil because I did not agree with something he had in the Chatter, and clam up and say nothing when Tom was around to defend himself.

I am happy to say that there has been no time that any of my complaints have not had an ear and without Malice Tom was big enough to consider the situation and then go ahead with his convictions.

At this time I am also happy to state that even though Tom and I had many disagreements about the Chatter everthing I had to say was meant to be and accepted by Tom as Constructive criticism and he was man enough to accept it on that basis, but still go ahead and do the job on the Chatter that he thought best.

We now have over one thousand members and even with this amount it is going to be very difficult to find someone who will put in the time and effort that is necessary to put out a good Chatter.

I know that Tom is looking around and trying to find someone who would be willing to take on this difficult & thankless job. If there are any of you who have had experience or would have the time to devote to this job it would be a real big help for Tom and The Club to have you step forward and fill in the big gap that Tom's leaving is going to create.

So now that you are leaving us Tom, I am very happy to know that my complaints were not at you personally and you accepted them as such. In the many years of my membership in the Club we have not been lucky enough to have one with your intelligence and time to do the job; Of course there is no man that is irreplaceable, but it is going to be difficult to find someone to take your place.

So, at this time I guess the only thing I can say further is good luck in your new endeavors, and I guess it would be in line to say ALOHA.

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By the time you fishermen read this mishmash, the Sailfish will be far on south down the Gulf in much warmer water. If you missed a chance to tangle with one this past summer, you really have no one to blame but yourself. There were more Sails in the offshore Cholla blue water this year than there has been for the last ten. And baby, they were hungry - so darn hungry they were whapping rubber squids, knuckle heads and even feather jigs. The few times I was able to get bait, Mullet, they flat gobbled em up. The Dolphin were a different breed of fish, tho, where they all were or hung out, I'll never know. I just flat couldn't find one, and normally, the ratio of Dolphin to Sailfish caught is at least ten or fifteen to one.

One thing I'd sure like to see everyone who fishes for these magnificent fish do, is to not kill them. These beauts put on a fight and aerial show for an angler that is unsurpassed, and when you (or I mean if you) finally bring him, completely exhausted up to the side of your boat -- it's just criminal to kill him in order to hang him up like a slab of beef -- unless he happens to be your very first Sailfish and you want a picture of him, or, if he kills himself during the fight -- a very rare occurance. They make the

lousiest eating you can imagine - like boild rubber tires! Nine out ofsten times, you can revive an exhausted fish that appears 'dead' by grabbing his bill in both hands and plunge him up and down, much in the manner you use a 'plumbers helper' to unclog a drain - - this forces water back and forth thru his gills, reviving him to fight another day.

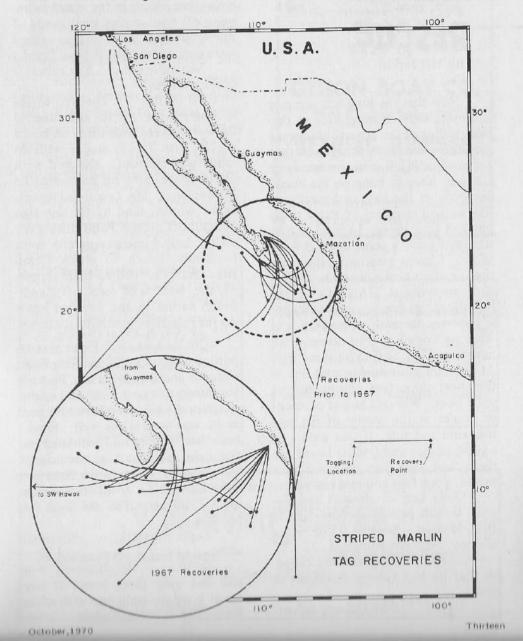
If he's swallowed your hook, just clip your leader as close to his mouth as possible, otherwise, if he's hooked in the jawbone, just twist it out.

We started tagging our Sailfish last year, and believe me, the day after you've caught one, it sure is one helluva good feeling to realize that the old boy is swimming freely in the blue water and not hanging black and lifeless from a scaffold to just rot in the sun.

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Bureau of Sports Fisheries, Tiburon Marine Lab, P.O. Box 98, Belvedere-Tiburon, California 94920, has instituted a 'cooperative tagging program', whereas if you write them requesting a tagging outfit, they will send you the complete setup (including tags and instructing you how to use them) along with annual reports as to the recovery of tagged fish. They are endeavoring to compile a record of the migration habits of sport fishes, and need the help of all interested anglers. Till last year, there had been no Billfish tagged in the upper portion of the Gulf, so Bill Hammer has the distinction of putting the first tag on a Sailfish, and some day, if some other lucky fisherman hooks this fish, he'll report where he nailed it, and we can get a pretty good idea of where these beauts roam in their endless search for chow.

Tagging is not restricted to Sailfish only - any migratory gamefish that you have no reason for killing should be tagged - released and reported. They've tagged Tuna, Dolphin, Roosterfish and Marlin, and are keeping close tabs on the movements of all gamefish.

Believe me - - it really gives you a deep sense of gratification to not kill a good antagonist - - someday one of your kids might have the chance to hang a hook into the same great battler - - he never will if you kill that fish.





By Mel Jarvis

Now that the long hot summer is almost over, fishing, etc. at the bay will start in ernest. It seems that there is always the chance that someone will fall into the hands of fate and have to hang on the hook. Someone at the bay, or Search and Rescue will be called by Patty to go out and find them. I would like to stop and push a point around for a while. I know you have all at one time or other heard me make the renark, or write it, HANG ON THE HOOK. That hook as you all know is your anchor and hanging on it is what we hope you'll be doing, if we have to go looking for you some day. At the Bay your anchor and line is the most important equipment on your boat. Without power or anchor you're at the mercy of the sea, the wind and tide. If you didn't carry a good anchor and line on board get them and care for them as you would your best rod and reel.

Daily Log . . . Search and Rescue launch permit station, Cholla Bay, Mexico - Sept. 7, 1970 - sea choppy, 50 boats launched . . .

0999 . . . S.M. Calwey called in that he had George Schauina in

10:00 . . . S.M. Galwey report-

ed that he had Schauina boat in the bay.

10:00 . . Roger Dina . . Phoenix made it into the bay under his own power, in reverse, no forward gear from off pelican point, no help needed.

10:00 . . . Ramon Perez called in that he found a boat, A2-1221 with three people in the water swimming off and around their boat, 12 miles out on a 210° course - (they were checked out for Pelican Point.)

September 8 . . . Sea calm. 7 boats launched.

18:00 hrs. . . . checked to see if boats were all in and Ronald Brewer of Mesa with three on board a 17ft, with 75H.P. engine with no radio was still out; checked with other boats, no one had seen the Brewer boat. Mr. Leo Rossi reported he would stand by for any sign of lights off Pelican Point during the night; Lalo Luncher operator went to Sandy Beach to check Camp site and other people there reported the boat was seen off Sandy Beach earlier in the day but heading for Pelican Point about sundown.

20:30 hrs . . . Light was reported seen on a 270 heading. Scott Chesnut and Don Peterson, Phoenix volunteered to go out but had engine trouble. Leo Rossi offered his boat as he was not feeling well: Rossi's boat was readied and launched but the light could not be seen again. Mr. Peterson believed the light was signaling S.O.S. A watch was kept until 2300 hrs. The red light was left on.

Sept. 9, 1970 . . . Sea small chop.

0630. . . Mr. Brewer's boat still out only three boats at bay, Rossi boat the only one with radio. Sandy beach checked again . . . same

report.

0800 . . . Ramon Perez took charter boat J.T. out on 270 heading to look for Brewer boat.

0830 . . . Sent Jim Skinner of Phoenix to search close to beach toward sand dunes.

0900 . . . Rossi boat going out on 280.

0945 . . . Rossi boat called in they found chaise lounge type mattress floating in water. No other debris. Was still holding course 280.

10:00 hrs. . . Rossi boat reports along side Brewer boat, everyone OK. They passed over food, water and gasoline as they had run out of gas.

12:15 . . . all search boats in except Skinner boat. End of report.

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new fuel line; use it. Dispose of your old ones or give them to your buddy. You could give your new fuel line to your buddy also since it will work on his old engine too. By the way, the new type fuel line is identified by a yellow band, just in case you have to borrow one for some reason or other.

A fuel line with no band or a red band can be used on all engines except 85 - 115 engines, 1969-1970 models. If you have an 85 or 115 1969 engine and your hot light comes on, even if the engine isn't heating at all, you should take the engine in to a evenrude shop and they will know what to do about it, it would take too long to explain here.

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They will be making their new home in Hawaii in November.

Doc, the Council Members want to thank you for the conscientious and sometimes thankless job that you have done on the "Chatter" for the past years.

We are all going to miss seeing you "cooting around Cholla" and digging holes in the tide flat.

All we can say is, we hope you are happy in Hawaii and "Via Con Dios".

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GOD SEND

While most people were disappointed that we could not have the Derby because of wind, twice this year, some good did come out of it.

All the food we were going to have was taken to the Granja Felix Orphanage at Sonoyta. This included 200 lbs. beans, 40 lbs. masa flour, and all the lettuce, celery, and carrots for salad.

Rev. Espinosa described it as a "God Send" and said it could not have come at a better time.

Although the orphanage was intended to care for 20 children they now have 31. On behalf of these 31 children and Rev. Espinosa I want to thank all the club members who each paid a small part of this gift. Thanks — Bob Morris.



French-Fried Shrimp

1 1/2 lbs. shrimp, fresh or frozen

2 eggs, beaten

1 teaspoon salt

1/2 cup flour

1/2 cup dry bread crumbs

Peel shrimp, remove the sand veins. Wash. Combine egg and salt. Dip each shrimp in egg, and roll in flour and crumb mixture. Fry in deep fat 350 F for 2 to 3 minutes or until golden brown. Drain on absorbent paper. Serve with tartar sauce.



ALEX KERSTITCH FISH PHOTOS

The photographs of the Drum Fish and Damsel Fish in the last issue were printed upside down and the Jawfish photo should have been vertical instead of horizontal. Sorry about that. Sure hope the next Editor proofreads everything.

KINO CROSSING

A movie by Dick Knowles showing his crossing from Kino to the "Island of the Birds" will be shown at the October meeting in Phoenix.

MEMBERSHIP DUES

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Where do waves come from?

The commonly seen waves on the surface are caused principally by wind. However, submarine earthquakes, volcanic eruptions, and tides also cause waves.

A breeze of less than 2 knots (2 nautical miles per hour) can form ripples. As the wind speed increases, larger more visible waves form. The wave height in feet usually will not be more than half the wind speed in miles per hour, although individual waves may be higher.

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As long as the wind blows consistently from the same direction, the waves are referred to as sea. When the wind stops or changes direction, the waves that continue in a direction different from that of the local winds are called swell.

Why is the ocean blue?

Not all sea water is blue. Water of the Gulf Stream, off the eastern coast of the United States, is a deep blue, but water of a similar current off Japan is so dark that it has been named Kuroshio (Black Stream). In other areas water may be various shades of green, brown, or brownish-red.

The sea is blue for the same reason that the sky is blue. The blue of the sea is caused by scattering of sunlight by tiny particles suspended in the water. Blue light, being of short wave length, is scattered more effectively than light of longer wave lengths.

Although waters of the open ocean are commonly some shade of blue, especially in tropical or subtropical regions, green water is commonly seen near coasts. This is caused by yellow pigments being mixed with blue water. Microscopic floating plants (phytoplankton) are one source of the yellow pigment. Other microscopic plants may color the water brown or brownish-red. Near shore silt or sediment in suspension can give waters a brownish hue; outflow of large rivers can often be observed many miles offshore by the coloration of suspended soil particles.

The color of the sea changes constantly because of clouds passing across the face of the sun or because of the angle of the sun's rays passing through the atmosphere.

Oceanographers record the color of the ocean by comparison with a series of bottles of colored water known as the Forel scale.

How high is the highest wave?

An American tanker, the USS RAMAPO, reported the highest wave that has been measured with any degree of certainty. In 1933, while proceeding from Manila to San Diego, she reported a wave 112 feet high; it was produced by winds of 60-68 knots operating over a fetch of several thousand miles.

Most ocean waves are less than 12 feet high. Waves more than 25 feet high are rare, and waves in excess of 50 feet develop only during very severe storms.

It is very difficult to measure wave height from a ship. Height can often be estimated with reasonable accuracy by comparison with the freeboard of the ship, but accuracy decreases as wave height and ship motion increase.



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By Betty Munro

What did Art Schwartz who was in charge of the Derby do? I imagine he said something like this:

O-Gee it's not Happy Times for me. Frank and Norma Too have to go tell Debbie J. Evie B. My Maggie, Polly C and the others the derby plans have run into a lost Weekend-er. La Siesta for the second time in one year. What Aggravation! La Bruja wind is like La Otra Mujer, a real Homebreaker. Through the howling of the wind you can hear La Sirena as she Cu Cu Ru Cu Cus to the Poco Loco El Gringo on shore. Utters were heard throughout the bay for Mas Tequila which enfolded the stomachs of The Proud Five, Five of us and The Pieces of Eight like a Centipede. Oso soon those born under the sign of Aquarius got a little Borracho from the Misty Keela. Tu Tuzz

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overheard JR. and JT promise Toots, Mama's Mink, Manana Maybe. She got so excited she forgot she was in Mexico and instead of saying si si The Padre heard her say Wee Wee. The Pez Vela and Pez Dorado sounded to be rid of the storm as the Pelicano Alegre and La Gaviota donned their Yellow life Jackets and sat on the deck of Lil Honky' with Ana Luisa.

Whose joy was all this wind and rain? Jay's Joy of course, at least he didn't have to be towed in. Johnny says that's La Dolce Vita. I'm willing to bet if you ask Art if he will be in charge of next years derby he will say Nunca Jamas. And that goes for Me Too.



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