



INFORMATION FOR NEW MEMBERS

Welcome to the Oceanside Senior Anglers. One must be 50 years young to qualify for membership. Annual Membership fees for 2012 are \$15 for either renewals or new members, with an additional \$15 fee to cover costs if the monthly newsletter is mailed, as opposed to getting it off the web. Renewals are due on October 1, and the deadline is December 31st. Renewals and new memberships after the deadline are not guaranteed to be in the Annual Directory, which is normally published in January. New memberships signing up after October 1st will be valid until the close of the following year.

Our general meetings are held at the OCEANSIDE SENIOR CENTER 455 Country Club Lane, Oceanside, CA at 9:00 AM the first Tuesday of each month unless otherwise notified. Board meetings are *generally* held on the 4th Tuesday of every month at the *new* Senior Center, but on occasion will be at the Country Club location.

Our Club objectives are to pursue the enjoyable sport of Ocean Fishing and assist in preserving our marine fisheries habitat. In addition, several social events are held each year, such as clam bakes, shrimp boils, fish fries, sausage fests and picnics at local lakes to meet with and enjoy the companionship of other club members.

Club Officers are elected or appointed on a yearly basis. All members are encouraged to get involved in this process if they so choose. The club's Board consists of 9 members: the President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and Head Chartermaster are elected at the November meeting, while the Program Director, Membership Director and Social Events Director are appointed by the incoming President. The remaining Board member is the immediate past President.

The Head Chartermaster is responsible for the chartering of all boats for the upcoming year, establishing with the landings and boat Captains the fees for filleting, and for the costs for each member going on these trips. He shall also retain a Trip Chartermaster for each trip. Certain procedures and guidelines have been established over the years to assist in making our fishing more pleasurable and equitable. This also applies to other club functions. The Trip Chartermaster will have signup sheets at the meetings approximately 3 – 4 months before the trip date. Payment of fees reserve you a spot on the trip. Trips must be paid in full no more than seven(7) days after you sign up. After the allotment of days has passed, the Chartermaster will fill your spot with another member. If a trip is full you can sign up as a standby (alternate) list with the Chartermaster. Any individual's cancellation requires that you contact the Chartermaster and see if there are any standbys. YOU will be responsible to get a replacement to fill your slot on the trip if the Chartermaster does not have any standbys. Refunds will not be made, however, emergencies will be considered by the Head Chartermaster and the Board.

All club trips are for club members only unless it is announced that the trip or event is opened to guests. Guests are the responsibility of the sponsoring club member.

On Club Sponsored Fishing Trips, either only monofilament line or Spectra with a minimum 100ft topshot can be used for surface fishing (100 yard topshot for trolling) unless otherwise specified. Dacron, Spectra, Kevlar and wire type line are required for Club-sponsored Rock Cod trips. No monofilament line is permitted on deep water Rock Cod trips. The boats we use all have galleys and cooks. No ice chests or beer is permitted by the boats. Jackpots for biggest fish are usually \$5 per day to buy in, winner takes all unless otherwise noted by the Chartermaster. No sharks, rays or eels count in the jackpot. ANY fish caught trolling will not count in the jackpot. You must hook the fish and bring it to gaff, and no handoffs will be allowed. The crew may provide assistance in untangling the lines and going under/over the anchor line (if deployed).

When fishing is concluded, any eligible jackpot fish must be brought to the Chartermaster and crew when the announcement is made. The Chartermaster will make the final determination of the winner.

If anytime you have any questions or wish to make a suggestion, please contact one of the Board Members.

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~ Fish & Play the Senior Angler Way ~