

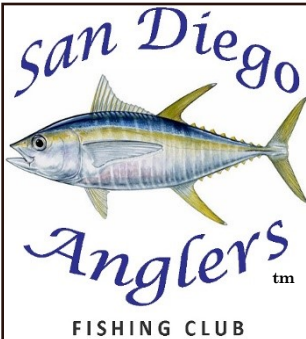
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**Notice: The San Diego Anglers' February 3rd, 2021 meeting will be held online/remotely via Zoom. The Zoom Webinar will open at 6:45 PM and the meeting will start promptly at 7:00 PM.** You will receive a link to the Webinar in an email. To join the Webinar, open the email and click on the link to the Webinar.

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February 3rd  
SDA Club Meeting  
Online/Remote

February 10th  
SDA Board Members  
Meeting - Remote

February 27th  
SD Anglers  
Susan B Johnson  
Memorial Tournament

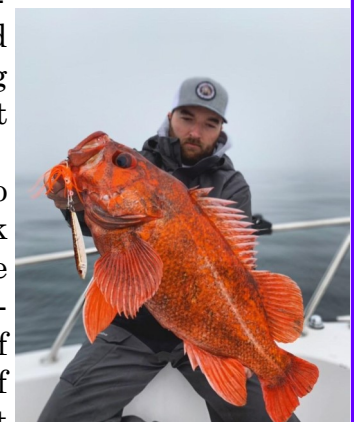
## The San Diego Anglers

Are Proud to Present Guest Speaker  
Tristan Merlaud and Will Smith



A Northern California original since 2015, Pitbull Tackle was created by fishermen, for fishermen. With a primary goal of designing species-specific fishing equipment for our local waters, they still hold that true to continue to design new and improved fishing tackle for anglers of all skill levels. They specialize in gear designed for Salmon, Rockfish, Ling Cod, Halibut, and Albacore Tuna but are constantly expanding to incorporate new products for as many of our West Coast fish species as possible. All of their products are created and tested in the California Bay Area and the surrounding fisheries, and they take pride in creating lures that will help catch any angler more fish.

Their major focus for all Pitbull Tackle lures is to enhance the product with either Glow-in-the-Dark or Ultraviolet (UV) colors. Oftentimes they create unique combinations of both enhancements together in the same lure. This addition to their line of products greatly increases the effectiveness of their baits and lures as it gives the fish a target that they can see extremely well.



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## IN MEMORIAM

### EARL ASBURY

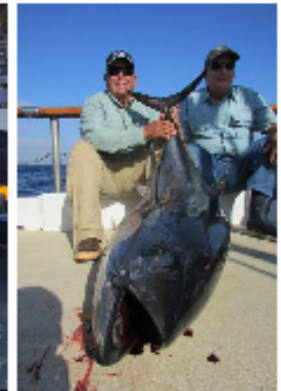
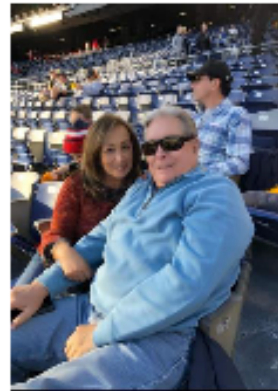
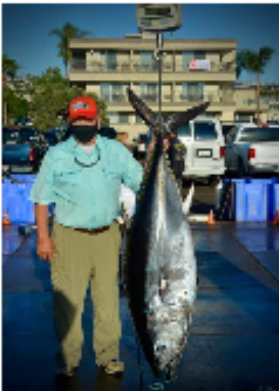
August 1, 1946 – January 23, 2021



Earl Asbury tragically lost his fight with COVID this week. He was a founding member of the San Diego Anglers and held many board positions throughout its history. Most recently he was our Treasurer and Membership Chair, but he has done our behind-the-scenes databases and maintained our finances over many years.

He graduated Crawford Senior High School in 1964 and then attended San Diego Miramar College. He has had many diverse jobs in his lifetime, including police officer and service manager at Weseloh Chevrolet Hummer. He has also had memberships and held board positions with the Poway Cruisers car club, San Diego Corvair Club, Club Cascadas De Baja California Sur, among others. He loved refurbishing old cars and helping other people with their cars and their computer work, was an avid patron of many sports teams around San Diego, the Old Globe Theater, the Poway Rodeo, and was a generous friend, neighbor, and fishing friend. Please keep long-time partner, Bessie Casison, and daughter, Danielle, in your thoughts and prayers at this time.

Earl liked nothing better than a good fight with a big fish, whether it was fishing for Tuna and Wahoo on a charter or fishing Bass in El Salto. He will be greatly missed.



## 2021 San Diego Anglers Tournaments

2021 is off to a less-than-favorable start, but the club is extremely excited about our updated tournament schedule and new tournament age brackets. With these changes, along with publishing the entire tournament schedule ahead of time, we hope to encourage more participation from club members. These tournaments are structured in a way that both private boaters and charter boaters have a level playing field.

<u>Month</u>	<u>Tournament Title</u>	<u>Date(s)</u>	<u>Specie(s)</u>	<u>Jackpot</u>
<u>January:</u>	No Club Tournament			
<u>February:</u>	Susan B. Johnson Memorial	2/27/21	Calico, Sand, and Spotted 3-fish sack	YES largest
<u>March:</u>	NEW - SDA Rockfish/Ling cod	March 5 Thru 21	Any legal variation of either species	NO
<u>April:</u>	SDA Halibut Monthlong	April 2 thru 18	Halibut California/Pacific	NO
<u>May:</u>	SDA Yellowtail Monthlong (In conjunction with SWYC Tournament)	May 1 thru 23	Yellowtail	YES Jackpot fish largest Halibut
<u>June:</u>	No Club Tournament			
<u>July:</u>	SDA 3-B's Monthlong	July 1 thru 19	Bass, Barracuda, & Bonito	YES 3-fish sack largest
<u>August:</u>	Monthlong Multi-species (In conjunction with IGFA)	August 6 thru 23	All Species on Club List (must be weighed and converted to points)	NO
<u>September:</u>	NEW - Monthlong Tuna/Yellowtail/Dorado	September 4 thru 20	Blue or Yellowfin Tuna, Yellowtail, Dorado	NO 3 fish sack (must be weighed and converted to points)
<u>October:</u>	No Club Tournament			
<u>November:</u>	SDA Bass Slam	November 13 or 20 - TBD	Calico, Sand, & Spotted	NO
<u>December:</u>	No Club Tournament			



## New Junior Class Breakdown for Tournaments

The Board of Directors have come up with new Junior Class Breakdown for tournaments. In order to have a more level playing field for the junior anglers we have come up with the idea breaking down the Junior Anglers group for fishing in tournaments. There will be three different classes, broken down by age, so the younger kids will not have to compete with the older, more experienced ones.

The classes will be:

- Peewee Class: 1 - 6 years of age
- Pony Class: 7 - 11 years of age
- Varsity Class: 12 - 16 years of age

The class designation will be based on the Junior Angler's age on the 4<sup>th</sup> of July. (middle of the year).

We hope this will help make it easier for the families to keep the kids interested in fishing and involved in the club events.



**KEEP  
CALM  
AND  
RENEW YOUR  
MEMBERSHIP**

### **It's that time of the year to renew your SDA membership for 2021**

Your Board of Directors has decided to reduce the Membership cost by 50% for those who were members in 2020, so an Individual Membership will be \$35.00 and a Family Membership \$40.00 for 2021.

New 2021 memberships remain the same: Individual \$70.00 and Family \$80.00.

All memberships expired on December 31, 2020 and should be renewed by the February 3, 2021 club meeting in order to maintain your membership in good standing.

## San Diego Anglers

### 2020 Angler of the Year

Congratulations to our 2020 Angler of the Year winners. This was such tight competition throughout the year. Great job by all that participated!

The winners are:

- ◆ Men's: Robert Tressler with 889.20 points
- ◆ Woman's: Lori Heath with 898.51 points
- ◆ Junior's: Vincent Hauser with 582.48 points.

Another great Award winner is Jack Smith. He won the Homer Johnson Award this year with an impressive Broadbill Swordfish weighing 174.6lbs and a monster bluefin weighing 248.2 lbs. gilled-and-gutted weight. This award hasn't been won in some time, let alone by a junior.





# SDA 2021 Calendar

*This is a tentative calendar of events. Please make sure to visit SDA website for revised dates.*

**February 2021**

3	Wed	SDA Club Meeting ( <b>REMOTE</b> )
10	Wed	SDA Board Meeting ( <b>REMOTE</b> )
18	Thurs	SDA Voting Members Meeting
27	Sat	SDA Susan Johnson Memorial Tournament (Mission Bay)

**March 2021**

3	Wed	SDA Club Meeting ( <b>REMOTE</b> )
5-21		Rockfish/Lingcod Tournament
10	Wed	SDA Board Meeting
<b>Cancelled?</b>		Fred Hall (Del Mar Fairgrounds)

**April 2021**

7	Wed	SDA Club Meeting ( <b>REMOTE</b> )
2-18		Halibut Tournament
14	Wed	SDA Board Meeting ( <b>REMOTE</b> )
TBD		SDA Awards Banquet
TBD		Day at the Docks (Fishermans Landing)

**May 2021**

5	Wed	SDA Club Meeting ( <b>REMOTE</b> )
1-23		Yellowtail Tournament
12	Wed	SDA Board Meeting ( <b>REMOTE</b> )
TBD		SDA Campout (Lake Morena)

**June 2021**

2	Wed	SDA Club Meeting ( <b>REMOTE</b> )
9	Wed	SDA Board Meeting
TBD		SDA Foundation Kids Fishing Derby J Street Pier (Chula Vista)

**July 2021**

1-19		3 B's Tournament
7	Wed	SDA Club Meeting ( <b>REMOTE</b> )
14	Wed	SDA Board Meeting ( <b>REMOTE</b> )
TBD		SDA Foundation Crystal Pier Kids Classic (Pacific Beach)
TBD		SDA Summer BBQ (De Anza Cove)

**August 2021**

4	Wed	SDA Club Meeting ( <b>REMOTE</b> )
11	Wed	SDA Board Meeting ( <b>REMOTE</b> )
6-23		Monthlong Multi-species In conjunction with IGFA

**September 2021**

1	Wed	SDA Club Meeting ( <b>REMOTE</b> )
4-20		Tuna / Yellowtail / Dorado Tournament
8	Wed	SDA Board Meeting ( <b>REMOTE</b> )
TBD		SDA Volunteer Party
TBD		SDA Foundation Fishing in the Pines

**October 2021**

6	Wed	SDA Club Meeting ( <b>REMOTE</b> )
13	Wed	SDA Board Meeting ( <b>REMOTE</b> )
TBD		SDA Foundation Big Brother / Big Sisters Day on the Bay (San Diego Bay)

**November 2021**

3	Wed	SDA Club Meeting ( <b>REMOTE</b> )
9	TBD	Bass Slam
10	Wed	SDA Board Meeting ( <b>REMOTE</b> )
13 or 20	TBD	SDA Bass Slam

**December 2021**

1	Wed	SDA Club Meeting ( <b>REMOTE</b> )
8	Wed	SDA Board Meeting ( <b>REMOTE</b> )
TBD		SDA Voting Member & Committee Heads Holiday Party



## 2020 Award-Winning Catches as of January 25, 2021

**Bass 5 lbs and over: Robert Tressler 6.74 Sand Bass, Chad Gerlich 5.50 Calico Bass**

**Bass 10 lbs and over:**

**Marlin under 200 lbs:**

**Marlin over 200 lbs:**

**Marlin on 20-lb test or less:**

**Broadbill Swordfish:**

**Yellowtail over 25 lbs:**

**Yellowtail over 40 lbs:**

**Yellowtail on 8-lb test or less:**

**Tuna 30 lbs and over:**

**Tuna 100 lbs and over: Robert Tressler 102.45**

**Tuna 200 lbs and over:**

**Albacore over 25 lbs:**

**Albacore over 40 lbs:**

**Albacore on 12-lb or less:**

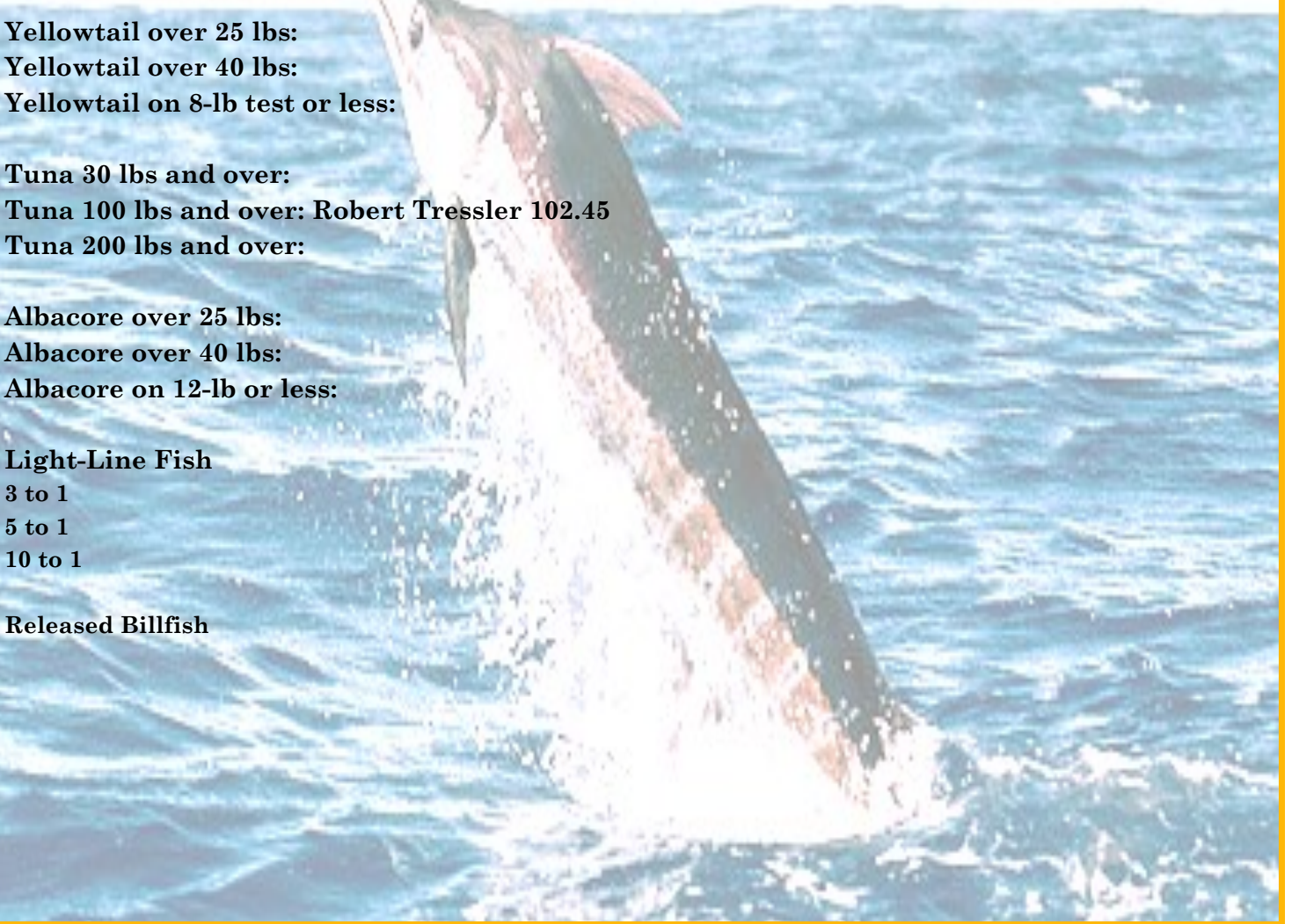
**Light-Line Fish**

3 to 1

5 to 1

10 to 1

**Released Billfish**



## 2021 Angler-of-the-Year Standings as of 01/25/2021

Men's Division			Women's Division			Junior Division		
Angler	Qualified	Points	Angler	Qualified	Points	Angler	Qualified	Points
Robert Tressler	N	518.71	Linda Power	N	274.57	Justin Larson	N	42.50
Chad Gierlich	N	215.60	Lori Heath	N	228.30			
Reminder - Adults need 7 species to qualify.						Reminder-Juniors need 5 species to qualify		



# 2021 WEIGHMASTER'S REPORT

Andrew Hauser, Weighmaster

The *San Diego Anglers* wish to recognize club members who have managed to convert luck and skill into notable angling achievements. Anglers will be acknowledged and awarded for these catches at monthly membership meetings. Weight receipts received prior to the 10th of each month will be published in the monthly newsletter and awards presented at the next monthly meeting.



### PROCEDURE TO APPLY FOR AWARDS:

Submit all weight receipts within 30 days of catch.

1. Weigh your catch. Any scale known to be accurate may be used.
2. Complete a *San Diego Anglers* weight receipt. Enclose a photograph, if possible.
3. Submit all weight receipts to: Andrew Hauser, at [dadsells@yahoo.com](mailto:dadsells@yahoo.com)



**LARGEST FISH AWARDS** will be awarded at the annual banquet.

## Weighmaster Report as of January 25, 2021

	MEN'S	WOMEN'S	JUNIORS
First Albacore			
First Tuna			
First Marlin			
Albacore *			
Barracuda (Pacific) *			
Bass (Barred Sand) *			
Bass (Calico) *			
Bass (Calico) **			
Bass (Spotted Bay) *	Ken Pucillo (2.14)		Cash Troop (2.46)
Bonito (Pacific) *			
Corbina *			
Dolphinfish (Dorado) *			
Dolphinfish (Dorado) **			
Halibut (California)*			Justin Larson (8.50)
Halibut (Pacific) **			
Ling Cod *	Robert Tressler (9.98)	Linda Power (19.41)	
Ling Cod **			
Marin (Striped) *			
Marin (Striped) **			
Marlin (Blue)			
Marlin (Black)			
Rock Fish *	Robert Tressler (7.49)	Linda Power (7.29)	
Rock Fish **			
Sailfish (Pacific)			
Shark (Other) *			
Shark (Other) **			
Shark (Mako) *			
Shark (Mako) **			
Shark (Thresher) *			
Shark (Thresher) **			
Tuna (Big Eye-Pacific) *			
Tuna (Big Eye-Pacific) **			
Tuna (Bluefin) *	Robert Tressler (102.45)		
Tuna (Bluefin) **			
Tuna (Yellowfin) *			
Tuna (Yellowfin) **			
Wahoo *			
Wahoo **			
White Sea Bass *	Chad Gierlich (22.0)		
White Sea Bass **			
Yellowtail (California) *			
Yellowtail (California) **			

\* local caught fish

\*\* fish caught beyond 125 miles from Point Loma





# San Diego Anglers

## Susan B. Johnson Memorial Mission Bay Bass Tournament RULES AND ENTRY FORM



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- The official starting time of the tournament is 06:00 am on Saturday, February 27, 2021. The official ending time of the tournament is 4:59 pm on Saturday, February 27, 2021. **THIS WILL BE A MEASUREMENT RULE TOURNAMENT.**
- Boats may depart prior to the official starting time of the tournament. Boats must depart from and return to any port within the county of San Diego. No tournament fishing is allowed prior to the official tournament starting time. All club tournaments are operated on an honor system.
- The fishing areas of the tournament shall be limited to those waters of the MISSION BAY. (Drawing an Imaginary line between the ocean ends of the North and South Entrance/Exit Jetties, This part of the Entrance Channel will be considered part of Mission Bay waters for this tournament.)
- During the tournament, fishing can be done from any fishing platform, including Sportfishing boats.
- Bait may be caught, purchased, or acquired as available prior to the official tournament starting time. Bait may be kept aboard tournament boats, used, or transferred at the discretion of the anglers or skippers throughout the tournament.
- IGFA angling rules will be used for this tournament. Angling rules can be found in the San Diego Anglers Yearbook under General Angling Rules. Anglers are responsible for compliance with all California or Mexican fishing and boating laws and regulations, as applicable.
- All fish entries photographs must be emailed to [lindseysj@aol.com](mailto:lindseysj@aol.com) with an email date/time of no later than 5:00 PM, Saturday February 27, 2021. Late entries will not be accepted. There must be two photos per fish:  
 First Photo: Shall show the whole fish and the Angler's name printed legibly on an Index Card with the measuring device behind the fish so as the see the over length of the fish.  
 Second Photo: Shall be of the same fish, this time of the tail section of the fish against the measuring device so as to be able to read the length of the fish to the nearest 1/8".  
 Photos that are not in focus enough to be properly read will not be accepted. You will be notified as soon as the photos are reviewed, if they are not acceptable.
- Eligible Species: Calico, Sand, and Spotted Bay Bass. Entrants can only submit one fish from each species.
- Prizes will be awarded in the following categories: Longest Sack Measured - 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> place for adults; 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> for juniors. Regardless of length, 3-fish sack beats a 2-fish sack and 2-fish sack beats 1-fish sack. There will be no ties in any category. When two sacks of the same length are submitted, the first sack submitted (based on the date time stamp on the email) will be considered the winner. Tournament awards will be presented at the next monthly club meeting.
- Jackpot:** There will be a \$10.00 optional Jackpot for the heaviest single fish from the eligible species.
- All anglers are responsible to stay aware of current weather/sea conditions. Monitor NOAA weather radio for info.
- All tournament anglers must complete, sign and submit a Tournament Entry Form and a COPY OF THEIR CURRENT BOAT INSURANCE POLICY prior to wetting a line in this fishing tournament. Entrants may sign up any time prior to the tournament starting date and time. The entry forms must be turned in to the locations or persons listed on the back of this form. All entrants in the tournament must be current members in good standing or non-members fishing as a guest of a club member. Entry forms can be scanned and emailed to Tournament Director with all pertinent signatures, boat insurance info (if applicable), and date/time stamp. By signing the application, Applicant does assume all risks of injury or property damage, and does agree to hold the San Diego Anglers harmless should any injury, death or property damage occur.
- Failure to comply with any of these rules will result in the offending angler's disqualification from the tournament and possible termination of club membership.
- Tournament Angler of the Year and Skipper points will be awarded for this tournament.

**ALL ENTRANTS MUST BE MEMBERS OR GUEST OF A MEMBER OF THE SAN DIEGO ANGLERS IN GOOD STANDING**

### FEBRUARY 27, 2021 SUSAN B. JOHNSON MEMORIAL MISSION BAY BASS TOURNAMENT ENTRY FORM

		<u>ENTRY FEE</u>	<u>JACKPOT</u>
Angler #1 _____	Man / Woman / Junior – age _____ Signature _____	\$ _____	\$ _____
Angler #2 _____	Man / Woman / Junior - age _____ Signature _____	\$ _____	\$ _____
Angler #3 _____	Man / Woman / Junior – age _____ Signature _____	\$ _____	\$ _____
Angler #4 _____	Man / Woman / Junior – age _____ Signature _____	\$ _____	\$ _____
Angler #5 _____	Man / Woman / Junior - age _____ Signature _____	\$ _____	\$ _____
Boat Name _____		Total \$ _____	

Skipper's telephone number (in case of cancellation) (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Date Rec'd \_\_\_\_\_

ADULT MEMBERS \$20.00, JUNIOR MEMBERS \$5.00, ADDITIONAL ADULT GUESTS \$30.00, JUNIOR GUEST \$15.00

**\$10.00 OPTIONAL JACKPOT FOR HEAVIEST SINGLE TOURNAMENT FISH**

Contact: Sam Lindsey, Tournament Director: (858) 740-1917 or [lindseysj@aol.com](mailto:lindseysj@aol.com)

## PROTESTS

1. The Protest Committee will be made up of:
  - a. Sam Lindsey
  - b. Andrew Hauser
  - c. Ray Broadfoot
2. The Protest Committee has the right to disqualify any angler who exhibits unsportsmanlike conduct.
3. Any protest relative to the length/weight of a fish, manner of measuring/weighing, or the manner of catching/landing the fish must be made prior to the notification of placement in the tournament or the fish being removed from the scale. The protest must be made to the Tournament Weighmaster and Tournament Director at that time.
4. Any protest, except weight, must be filed in writing with the Protest Committee no later than 24 hours after the ending time of the tournament. The protest may be filed with any member of the Protest Committee.
5. The San Diego Anglers take no responsibility for personal injury, death, or property damage resulting from any misconduct, negligence, and adverse weather conditions or otherwise, of any persons or its members at sponsored events and tournaments.
6. The San Diego Anglers does not investigate weather or sea conditions, or the possibility of other boating activities, when scheduling its events.
7. By signing this application, the applicant assumes all risks of injury, death, or property damage, and agrees to hold the San Diego Anglers harmless should any injury or damage occur.

## RECOGNIZED TOURNAMENT APPLICATION DROP-OFF POINTS:

- Sam Lindsey, Tournament Director: Email to: lindseysj@aol.com or TEXT to (858) 740-1917, or mail to: 102339 Caminito Rio Branco, San Diego, CA 92131, or in person at a monthly club meeting.
- All mailed-in applications shall have a check payable to San Diego Anglers for the total amount of the entry fee and/or Jackpot fee. Jackpot is optional
- Applications can be turned into to a CURRENT Board of Director Member: via e-mail or in person.

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## INSURANCE CERTIFICATION SUBMITTAL

In order to participate in a San Diego Anglers club-sponsored event and/or fishing tournament in which you provide and/or use your own, borrowed, or leased boat, **you must submit a copy of the current Boat Insurance Certificate**, certifying that you have the necessary **BOAT & PERSONAL LIABILITY INSURANCE**, and that it is in effect during the event and/or tournament.

**BY SIGNING BELOW, I CERTIFY THAT I HAVE SUBMITTED THE NECESSARY CURRENT BOAT/PERSONAL LIABILITY INSURANCE COVERAGE TO THE TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR OR SDA CLUB BOARD MEMBER.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
SIGNATURE

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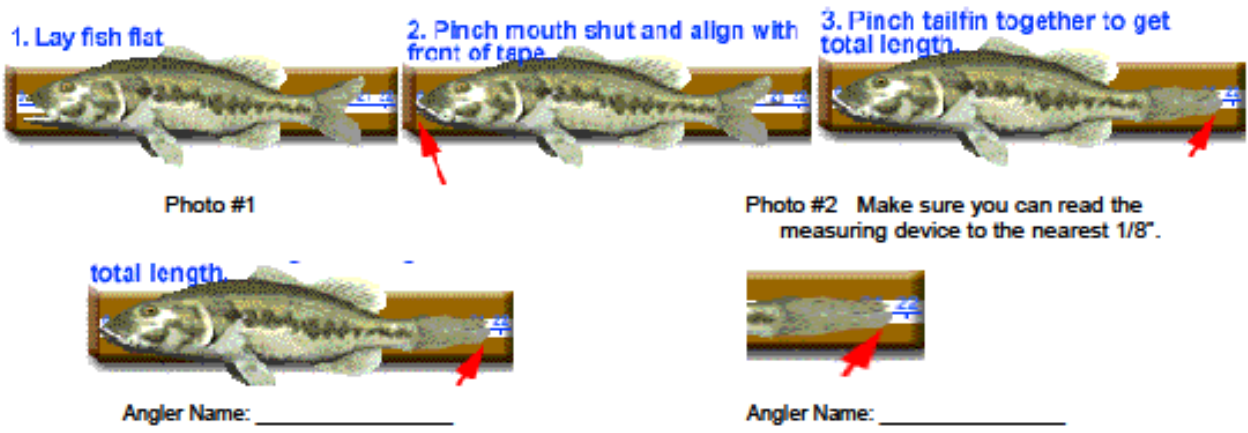
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DATE

## San Diego Anglers Measurement Tournament Information

- 1) The 2021 Susan B. Johnson Memorial Mission Bay Bass Tournament will be a one-day event under the SDA Measurement Rule.
- 2) All anglers MUST BE signed up PROIR TO FISHING. All entry forms must be sent in before 6:00 AM the date of the event.
- 3) All fish MUST BE of legal size to be scored, even if the fish is released. The fish must be photographed against the measuring device as depicted in diagram below.
- 4) All fish must be measured the same way. Nose of the fish at the "0" end of the scale, fish lying flat on the scale. Closed mouth, pinched tail flat on the scale with a clear view of measuring device.
- 5) The photos of the catch MUST BE IN FOCUS. First Photo shall show the whole fish, with a clear view of where the tail comes to on the measuring device, and the Angler's name. The Angler's name may be written on an index card or the back of your hand, either way it must be legible. Second Photo shall be of the tail section so as to be able to easily read the measuring device to the nearest 1/8".
- 6) The Photos and Measurement Rule Tournament Fish Report form (Fill out completely for each species being entered. Example: Three species, three forms and 6 photos) must be e-mailed to [lindsevsil@aol.com](mailto:lindsevsil@aol.com) before the closing deadline, 5:00 PM, February 27, 2021.
- 7) All length will be determined/confirmed by the tournament director based on photo sent in.

### HOW TO MEASURE TOTAL LENGTH OF CATCH

The **total length** is the maximum length of the fish, with the mouth closed and the tail fin pinched together. The best way to obtain this length is to push the fish's snout up against a vertical surface with the mouth closed and the fish laying along a tape measure, then pinch the tail fin closed and determine the total length. Do NOT pull a flexible tape measure along the curve of the fish. Prior to getting a final measurement the caudal (tail) fin will be pinched shut.



### Measurement Rule Tournament Fish Report:

**(THIS IS NOT A WEIGHMASTER'S REPORT. It must be reported separately to the Weighmaster, Andrew Hauser)**

Anglers Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Time: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Species of Fish: \_\_\_\_\_ Number of entries: # \_\_\_\_\_  
 Length of fish: \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ " All measurements shall be to the 1/8".  
 Previous entries: NO \_\_\_ YES \_\_\_ Date/Time of previous entry: \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_ : \_\_\_\_ am/pm  
 NOTES: \_\_\_\_\_

## New SD Anglers Junior Tournament Age Breakdown for 2021

Old system was one junior class was ages 1 - 16.

New system starting for 2021:

- Ages 1 - 6 will be the Peewee class.
- Ages 7 thru 11 will be the Pony class.
- Ages 12 thru 16 will be the Varsity class.

\*This something we are starting with the 2021 tournaments. **PLEASE enter Junior Angler's age on tournament entry form for placement in correct junior class.**