



SBSFC NEWSLETTER

MARCH 2025

Hi Gang!

**Our meetings are now back in the upstairs
Harbor Marine Center Classroom. It's the building
between Brophys Brothers Resturant and the
Harbormasters Office
125 Harbor Way 6:30 - 8;30 PM.**

**Our Meetings will be held the First Wednesday of
every month**

Time to meet and share our love of fishing and everything outdoors!

We will be holding our meetings jointly with the SB Chapter of the CCA.

This month we will be showing the first chapter of the History of Sportfishing.

A 12 chapter documentary series by Michael Fowlkes

<https://thehistoryofsportfishing.com/>

Bryan Davis and I went out to check on the local coastal scene, and we ran into a nice snap on the Calico and Sand bass. Nothing huge, but Bryan's big bass weighed in at over 4 lbs and mine was a little over 3 lbs and we had over 50 bass in total. A very fun time!





If you have fishing pictures you'd like to share, please send them in!

Here's the So Cal Surf Fishing Report for Match from [fishthesurf.com](https://www.fishthesurf.com)

<https://mail.google.com/mail/u/3/#inbox/FMfcgzQZTVqLKHCczQxqvfdhkcKngTdG>

If you are a member of CCA please be sure to renew your membership when due, if you are not a member Please consider joining.

Here are a few of the things that CCA has accomplished on our behalf over the last for years.

CCA Played the leading role in defeating the AB3030 legislation. After that success, Governor Newsom created a 30x30 Executive Order keeping alive interests of the extreme environmental community to increase no fishing protected areas along the California coastline from the current 16% to 30%. Currently we are still in this battle as both implementing real conservation efforts and eliminating unnecessary closures remains the top priority of CCA Cal. We partnered with the American Sportfishing Association (ASA) and others to eliminate drift gillnets via successful state and federal legislation. We worked with the ASA, IGFA, Wild Oceans and others to prevent the establishment of a longline fishery off our coast. We continued to provide the primary sportfishing community leadership for the white seabass hatchery program. While halibut is still only at the experimental stages outside of Ocean Resources Enhancement Hatchery Program, "OREHP," we continue to encourage CDFW to allow hatchery halibut raised at Hubbs to be released into the wild and for halibut to become a formal part of OREHP. Pushed to have the Fish and Game Commission grant a 2 fish Bluefin tuna bag limit, instead of a complete closure. We have been working with Dr. Barbara Block by supporting her efforts to satellite tag larger Pacific bluefin in hopes of developing the actual Pacific bluefin spawning age and migratory patterns.

In addition, we partnered with SAC to ensure sardines remained available as live bait. We passed legislation to create a 365-day fishing license when others had tried and failed. We passed regulations for descending devices while rockfishing and got the cowcod conservation area opened after a 24-year closure. We stopped further bag restrictions on California halibut. We are currently playing an important role with Barred Sand Bass– a major source of enjoyment for many anglers. Just a few weeks ago CCA California worked with the Fish & Game Commissioners to avoid an in-season closure of Barred Sand Bass, and we have pledged to work with CDFW and others to help deliver accurate data collection on sand bass over the next three years.

The above is just a partial list of the battles your contributions helped us win.

Please support CCA, they are working hard for our rights to fish!

Join CCA CAL
<https://ccacalifornia.org/>

The CCA Cal Star Tournament Starts 5/24/25 and ends 9/01/25 you have a chance to win a brand new Parker 18' Center Console Boat with a 150 HP Yamaha. Here's the link
<https://ccacalifornia.org/star/>

Important things to check out.

VISTAS LIFELONG LEARNING

MARCH 5 9:30 - 12:00

Will have a presentation by Dr. Milton Love “Research on the Fishes of the So. Cal. Oil/Gas Platforms”

<https://www.vistaslifelonglearning.org/new-events/fascinating-fish-of-the-pacific-coast>

<https://static1.squarespace.com/static/5d408a0e5e528700016a3a39/t/67c087b21bf5582bfc18ca6c/1740670900739/Flyer.Love.Fishes+of+SoCal+platforms.pdf>

Dr. Milton Love will discuss the results of his more than 30 years of surveys of the fish and invertebrate populations associated with the oil/gas platforms and natural reefs throughout the Southern California Bight. He will talk specifically about oil platform fauna and discuss the questions surrounding the decommissioning of the platforms and what might happen next. Whether you are emotionally prepared or not, Dr. Love will discuss some of his lab’s findings on the role that California oil and gas may (or may not) play as a habitat for fishes. And finally, Dr. Love looks forward to your sharp and pointed questions, and will feel bereft if there are none.

The Santa Barbara Flyfishers will be hosting a Fly Fishing Film Tour



Tickets for the F3T2025 are on sale now at the Lobero box office or online at

<https://www.lobero.org/events/fly-fishing-film-tour/>

Check out The California Collaborative Fisheries Research Program

<https://www.ccfprp.org/>

Cal Fish and Game Commission
Marine Resources Committee meeting March 13.
Here's the link to the Agenda

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The Pacific Coast Sportfishing Show is Coming March 6-9
<https://sportfishingfestival.com/>

SAVE THE DATE

The SB Chapter of the CCA will be holding a Beach Cleanup & Bar-B-Q on March 23, 2025

Beach Cleanup on West Beach, Santa Barbara Harbor, W. Cabrillo Blvd

Bar-B-Q Picnic, Raffles, Speakers, Games, at the Veterans Memorial Building Courtyard, 112 W. Cabrillo Blvd, Santa Barbara CA 93101 to follow the cleanup.



To Our good buddy Bruce Trowbridge we are thinking of you!

If you'd like to send Bruce a text that you are thinking of him or would like to say hello he can be reached at 805 403-5742 if you'd like to send him a note or a card he can be reached at

Bruce Trowbridge
294 Savona Ave.
Goleta, Ca. 93111

Guest Speakers to come:

Katelyn Sprofera California Marine Sanctuary Foundation,
<https://www.californiamsf.org/>

Is there someone who you'd like to come speak to the club?

Bring your ideas for club events.

Lets Help Make the Club Grow

If you have any suggestions, ideas, or Guest Speakers Topics that you would like, please contact Whitney Uyeda

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