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## 2021 CALENDAR

- April 7th - Monthly Club Meeting 7PM  
**IN PERSON at Me 'n' Ed's Pizzeria**
- April 30th - Deadline for Lobster Card Submission
- June 5th - Blue Water Meet
- June 15th - Limit on White Seabass (*Atractoscion nobilis*) increases to 3 per day
- October 2nd - Spiny Lobster Season Opens
- October 9th - Fall Classic
- November 25th - Thanksgiving
- December 25th - Christmas

## FISH STANDINGS

### CALIFORNIA

Calico Derby

Calico Bass

White Seabass

Yellowtail

Halibut

Sheephead

Bonito

Barracuda

Dorado

Bluefin Tuna

Lobster

### OUT OF STATE/COUNTRY AWARDS

Yellowfin Tuna

Reef Fish

Pelagic, non-tuna

### Kent McIntyre Award

Open

### Perpetual Big Fish Trophy

Open

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# MONTHLY CLUB MEETING & AWARDS BANQUET

APRIL 7th 7:00 PM



**This month's club meeting will be held IN PERSON, at  
Me-n-Ed's Pizzeria**

**4115 Paramount Blvd, Lakewood, CA 90712**

**We have reserved 50 seats outdoors, social distancing and  
masks are REQUIRED**

**Let's get together and have a good time!**



# PRESIDENTS LETTER



Happy Spring everyone. If the wind ever quits blowing, days like this are in our future.

Seabass hunting has been challenging to say the least in these early spring days but it will get better for sure. I'm going to take the Flattie to Catalina and see if things are fishier there than the coast.

Don't forget the April club meeting (April 7th) will be at Me-n-Ed's and it will be our Awards night. I'm looking forward to handing the trophies to the winners.

This year I hope you all shoot some trophy fish and get in on the competition for the awards. The Calico Derby continues through March and the tentatives can win too. Good luck.

Dive safe everyone, I'll see you soon.

Paul Zylstra

# EDITORS NOTE

Tides changing, current running, skittish bait, ghosts croaking.

All things Southern California spearfishers dream of. That brief moment of opportunity realized after hours, even days spent in the search of our elusive game is what keeps us coming back for more.

Numb fingers and toes are the price we pay for our addiction. Endless searching for that one chance at success, and hours spent prior in preparation for it.

Spring is here, lets do what we do best.

Good hunting folks, may your fish be large and plentiful.



**Juan-Carlos Aguilar**

# New addition to the Neptune family

Let's welcome "BOZO" to the Hughes clan



Two off-duty LAPD officers are free diving at Guadalupe Island, Mexico. They were on a quest to spear giant, bluefin tuna. Both men were brutally attacked by a great white shark. A lucky shot killed the shark almost immediately. The shark's surviving mate—a unique, mutated variant—observed the killing and now demands revenge. She tracked her prey over hundreds of miles of open-ocean, and eventually followed them to Northern California. The magnificent shark had amazing reasoning skills. She was vicious, vindictive and cunning—the ultimate killer. Will she prevail?

During a SWAT raid, the same officers kill the favorite son of the leader of ISIS. The leader unleashed a small band of terrorists to find and kill the men. Sensitive, well-placed bombs were armed and ready to detonate, shots were fired and an unconscious officer had a knife to his throat, one stroke away from losing his head. Can the two officers survive being pursued by these relentless, powerful forces?

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**Here's the cover, back page and spine of a book I just completed. It's about two LAPD cops who are also Neptunes. They are being pursued (hence the name) by a mutated white shark that has evolved into a dangerous variant. The same officers are also being pursued by ISIS assassins for killing the son of the ISIS leader during a SWAT call up. A few Neptunes are named in the book, no worries, they are good guys. It's fiction, of course. I think-- and hope--it will be an entertaining read.**

**-Tom Blandford**

Available soon on Amazon.com



# The adventures of Ethan Smith







I managed to secure a couple last minute bugs on the closer. Beautiful conditions, calm seas and good visibility. Found the biggest bug canoodling with the second biggest in about three feet of water. I only lasted about an hour in the chilly 59° F water.

-Juan-Carlos Aguilar



# Byron Quinonez lands some solid bugs



Eric Schlobohm  
finds a couple  
bugs to finish  
off the season



We'll be  
back for  
more next  
season!

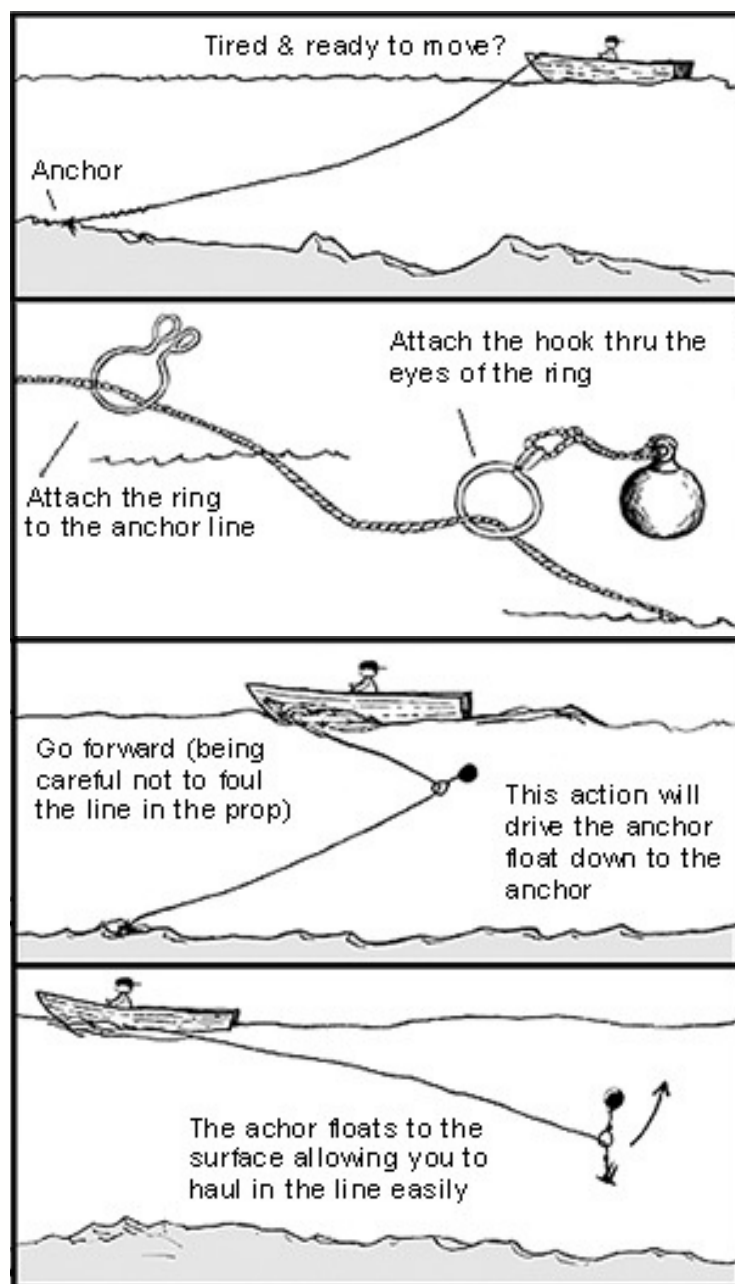


Finally, on the end of the anchor, take a few wraps (I use 3-4) of seizing wire through the nearest chain link and through the hole in the anchor. I use 0.041 inch/1.04mm seizing wire (link) but you may want to use a larger diameter wire on a larger boat.

This allows for the anchor to release in case one of the flukes or fingers of the anchor gets caught under a rock. The seizing wire will break before your anchor line or chain do, and the anchor will be pulled from the forward side where the shackle is attached, lifting clear of the obstruction.

The anchor ball (fender) needs to be large enough to float all your chain and anchor. The carabiner must be high quality, and strong enough to handle the force.

The diagram depicts how to effectively use the system. Once the anchor ball system is deployed on the anchor line, attach the anchor line to the bow or midship cleat, and make a large arching turn at a safe speed. Be very careful to not run over your line! Once the anchor and chain are hanging from the fender, simply turn around and retrieve the anchor rode without having to lift the weight of it.



Using a chain splice ([link](#)) to attach the anchor line to the chain allows for smooth operation of this system. If there is a thimble or shackle at that attachment point, it can foul on the open stainless ring of the anchor ball system and make things go awry.

It's a very effective, inexpensive, and quick way to pull your anchor without the need for a windlass.



**Be safe folks, and take care of your back!**  
**- Juan-Carlos Aguilar**

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# Sea Hunt 2001 Triton 210 Center console

## 21 ft. \$19,900 obo



Selling my Sea Hunt 21 ft. Center Console/ Wide 8' Beam / Deep V-Hull / T-Top / Mercury 150 two stroke Outboard

Great Boat and well taken care of with regular preseason maintenance. Comes with Brand New VHF radio, New Upgraded Antenna and New Bottom Paint. Includes a 4 step detachable swim ladder. 80 gallon gas tank replaced a few seasons ago.

Also includes a detachable Garmin GPS, quick attach & release Garmin 2 Frequency Fish Finder, Sony Quick Eject Radio and standard Richie Compass. There are 4 marine batteries with switch.

This Sea Hunt is equipped with 2 Bait Tanks that can hold half a scoop each. 6 Stainless Steel Rod holders on T-Top and 6 Stainless Steel Rod Holders comes standard in boat and console.

Also Included is a Magic Tilt Aluminum Trailer, redone with new springs, bearings and 4 new tires in 2020.

Many memories were made at Catalina and Clemente with this great boat. I'm going to really miss her but have to let her go. I just bought a new boat that's more accommodating to my family.

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