

ROD & GUN Chatter

By DONNA BARKDULL

Labor Day week end found deep-sea fishing at its highest peak with more varieties of popular game fish churning local waters than can be remembered in the last umpteen years.

Sportfishing landings report record hauls of barracuda, bonito, yellowtail, and white sea bass. Horseshoe Kelp, only a short run from the Long Beach Breakwater, did most of the yielding with Rocky Point and areas off Dana Point running close seconds. Plenty of bill fish from San Diego to Catalina for those wishing something on a larger scale. All you have to do is name the variety of aquatic vertebrate you want to don the dinner table, chances are you will have very little difficulty connecting with a couple.

With albacore schools about a 60-mile run from the Point Loma docks, most of the San Diego fleet can again intensify action around the Coronado Island for scrappy yellowtail. Dock totals jumped to 'way over the 1000 mark daily.

Yellows are so thick that it would be almost impossible to bring home a dry sack. Plenty of big boneheads and barracuda in the same area with a smattering of big blue-fin tuna. Qualifying weight in the Annual San Diego Yellowtail Derby now at a record 30 pounds, could even go higher if the new schools of long-fin move in closer.

The Sept. 1st opener of the 1957 dove shoot found the traditional hot-spot, Blythe, again overrun with Torrance scattergunners. Limits came easy, even after summer rains sent many flights heading south the week before. Only difference from past years was the scarcity of white wings. Even so, most managed to get a couple in their limits of morning dove.

Holiday Doubles Winners Named By Tenpin Alley

Unofficial results of the Torrance Bowl-O-Drome Labor Day Doubles Sweep have been released.

Doubles winners were K. Gorseth and J. Walker, 1427, first; J. Mintzer and P. Koening, 1371, second; D. Cole and R. Davis, 1355, third; and W. Mitchell and K. Halbert, 1340, fourth.

Daily single winners taking first, second and third places were: Aug. 30—P. Buckner, 645; P. Darris, 643; W. Wicker, 634; Aug. 31—L. Mincer, 718; P. Koening, 711; A. Coast, 688; Sept. 1—H. Hull, 691; G. Bennett, 671; S. Zawicki, 665; Sept. 2—K. Gorseth, 728; R. Davis, 707; K. Gorseth, 699.

Following a week's layoff, league play again got under way this week at the Bowl-O-Drome. There are still a few openings left, according to officials at the lanes.

In addition to the Doubles Sweeper winners, big news at the local sport center was Bob Prince's 20th 300 game.

Prince, an instructor at the Bowl-O-Drome, rolled his fourth ABC sanctioned thriller last week in league play at Van Nuys.

Prizes and awards for the city's top bowler are still being made.

HUMAN TRACES

Traces of human occupancy of Carlsbad Caverns in New Mexico date back to at least 4000 years.

Speaking of limits, if any one knows what a limit of mermaids is they might let me know. Al Coast, Gene Tolson, Joe Martin, and myself are going to try bringing a couple to gaff Friday night at the Torrance plunge. Went up there last Sunday a.m. to try and figure out what kind of tackle should be used. I don't know, but if Friday night turns out like Sunday morning, I for one will end up with a dry sack. Gene and Al slowed theirs down somewhat, but you can be sure it will be a battle. Also during the show, Al is going to match his skill with a rod against a canoe full of paddling gals. Going to try and keep them from getting away. Should make for good fun.

Civic Group Election Set For Tonight

Election of new officers for the North Torrance Civic Improvement Assn. will be held tonight at a meeting of the organization at McMaster Hall, 174th and Yukon, beginning at 8. All members are being urged by retiring president John Kesson to attend the important meeting.

Any paid up member of the organization will be permitted to offer nominations from the floor for the offices, Kesson said.

Refreshments will be served following the meeting.

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