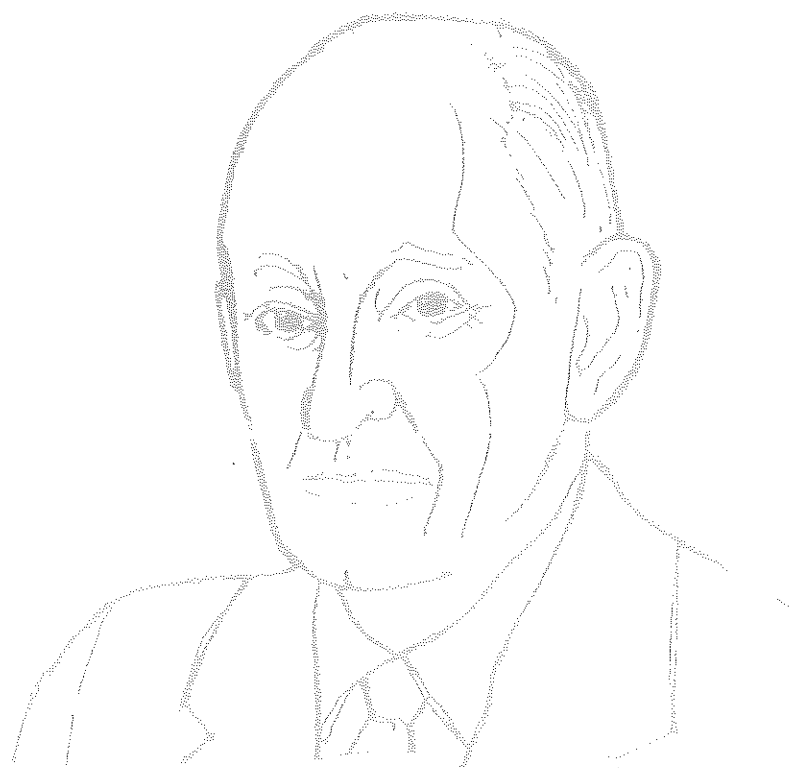


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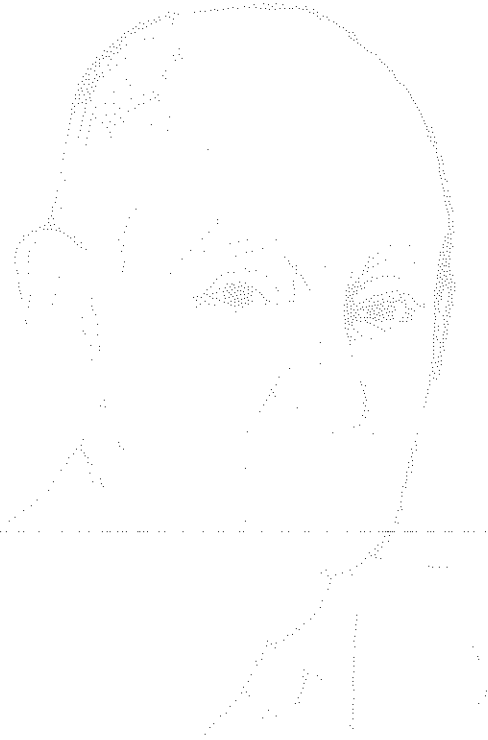


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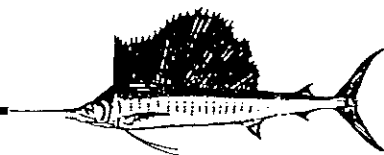
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*We have been unable to identify many of the people in the pictures. Hope you will forgive us.



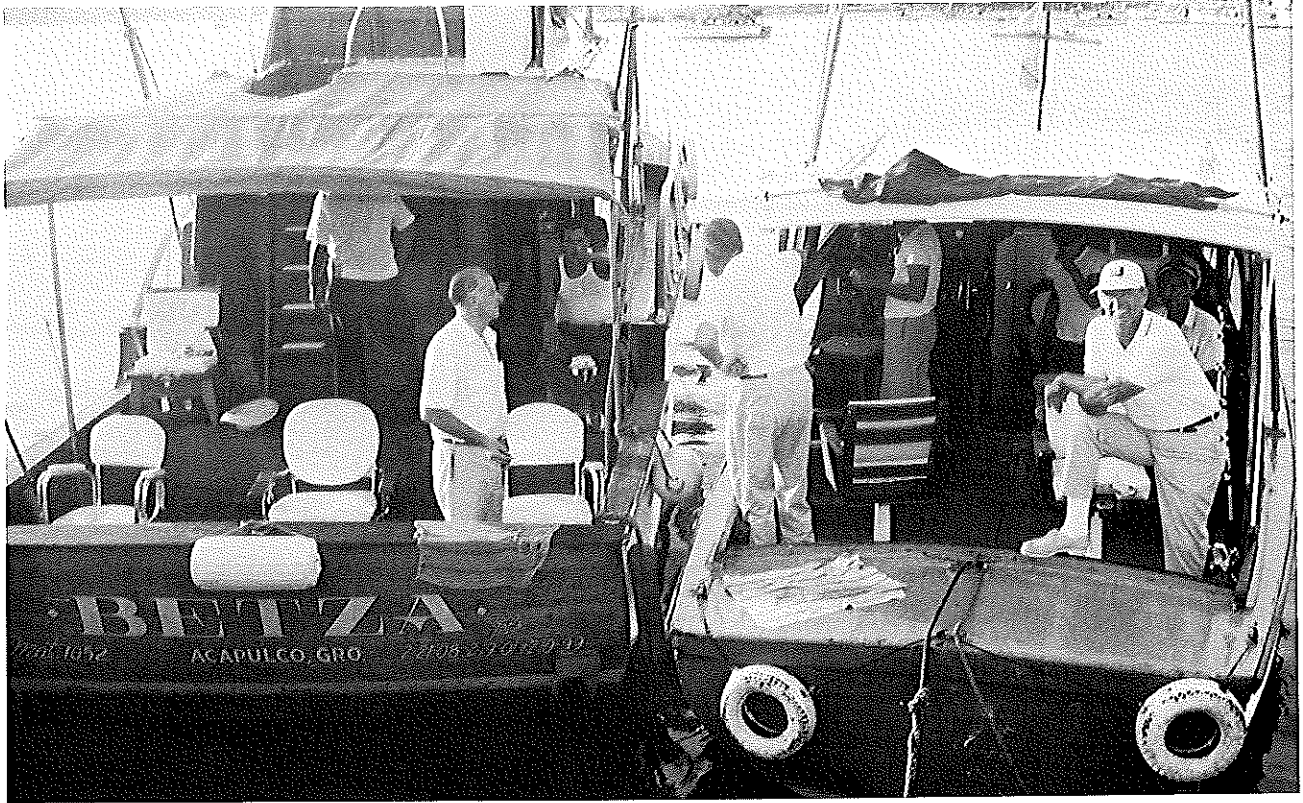
8th Tournament

Winning Team — Tuna Club of California. Left to right: Bob Gill (Ft. Lauderdale), John Rybovich (Palm Beach), Jim Logan (Palm Beach), D.H. Sluder (Newport Beach), John Ritchey (Ft. Lauderdale), (?), and Frank Bivens (Santa Monica).



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Winning Club — Long Beach Yacht Club Anglers of California. Left to right: Dr. Jack Dorsey, Glenn Bracken, Al Roig, Harrison Moore, and L.T. Verner.



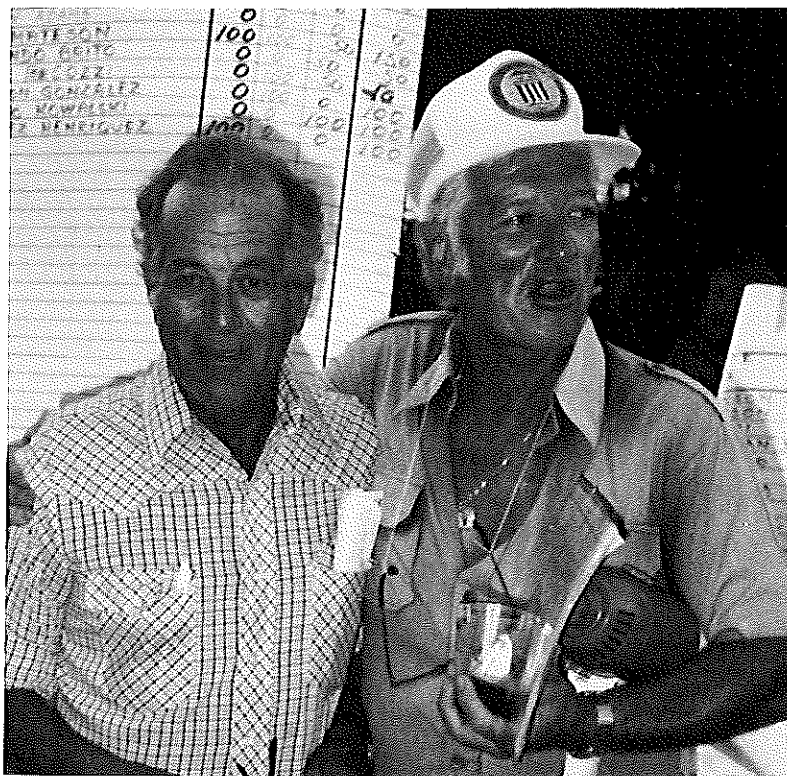
Discussing where to go fishing?



They decided.



Felix McGinnis, Hank May, Tim Tate



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Jorge Innes and Monty Padilla

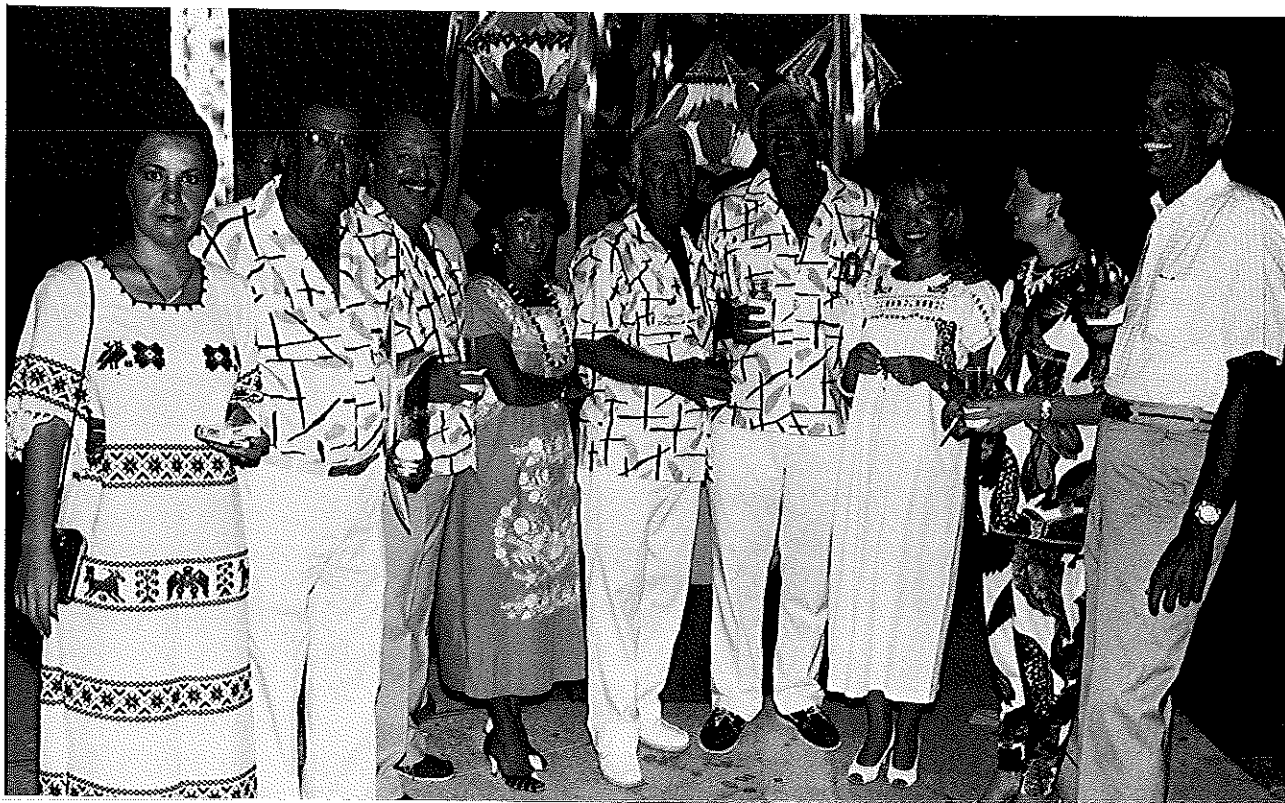


46th Tournament

Left to right: Jorge Martin, Chairman; Kiko Sanudo, Bernardo Fernandez del Castillo, Jorge Innes, (?), Jorge Rivera, Fernando Huerto Garrastachu, Dr. Dean, Augustin Sanudo, Monty Padilla, Bruno Rodriguez.



Jorge Martin, Chairman



The Mexican Committee and their wives with Mr. and Mrs. Bruno Rodriguez.

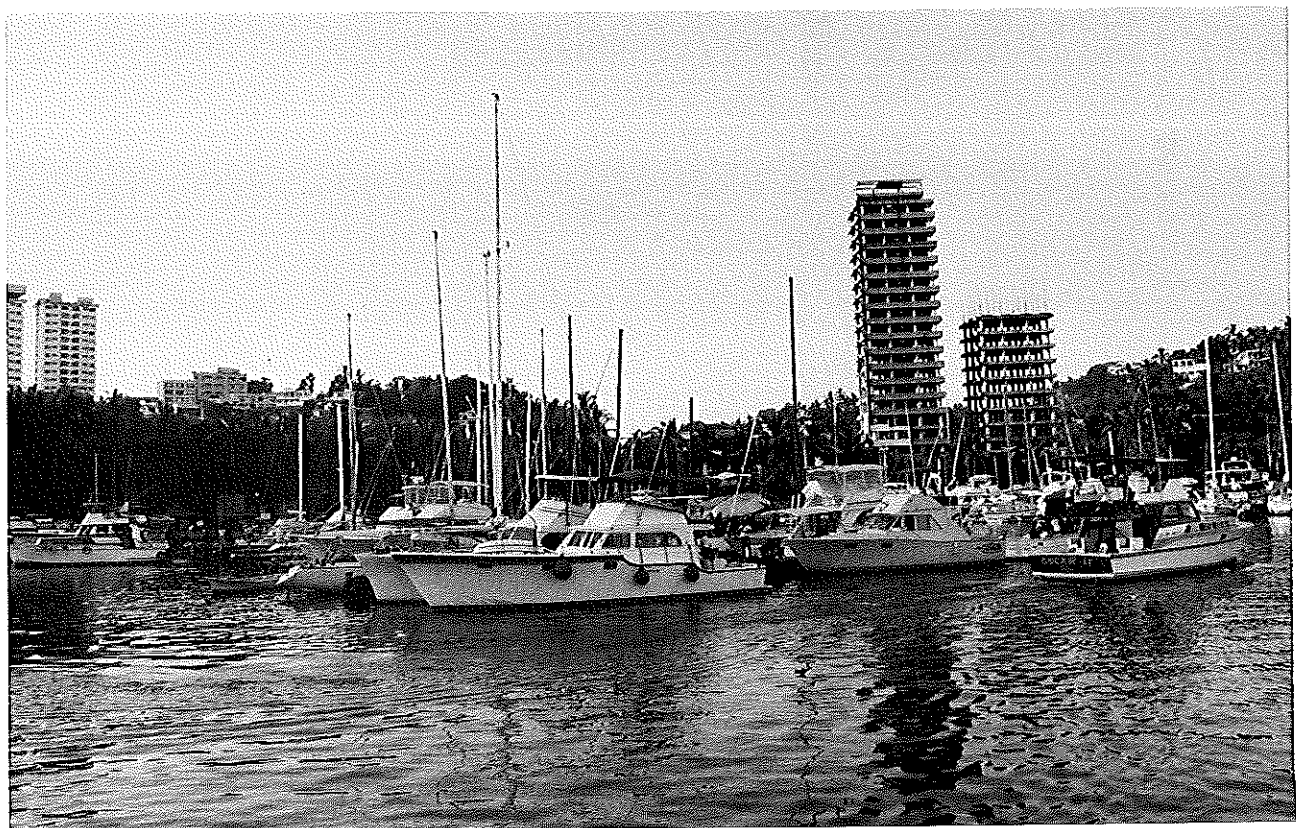


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Jorge Martin and his committee, i.e. — (?), Jorge Rivera, Bernardo Fernandez del Castillo, Jorge Martin, Kiko Sanudo, Monty Padilla.



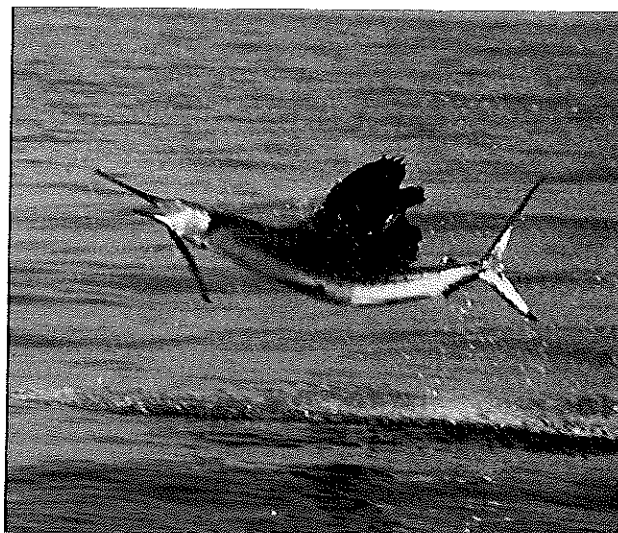
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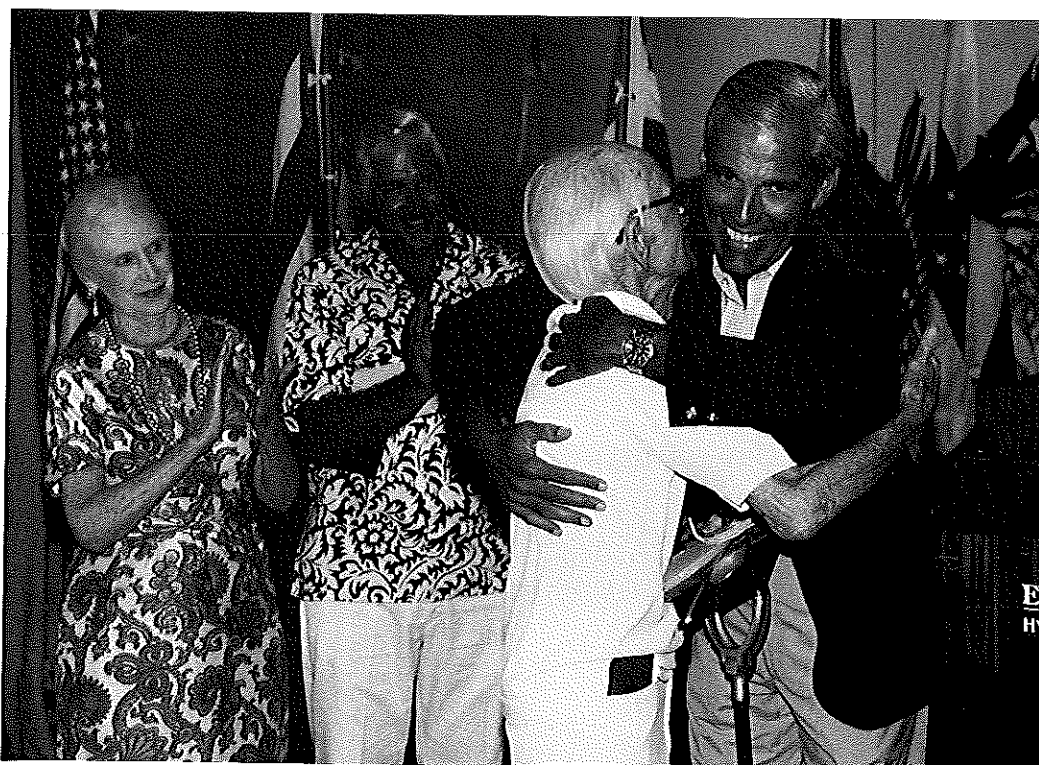
At the Acapulco Yacht Club.



46th Tournament — Hook-up.



Hooked Sailfish.



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Mrs. Dita Dean, Jorge Martin, Dr. Dean, Bruno Rodriguez.

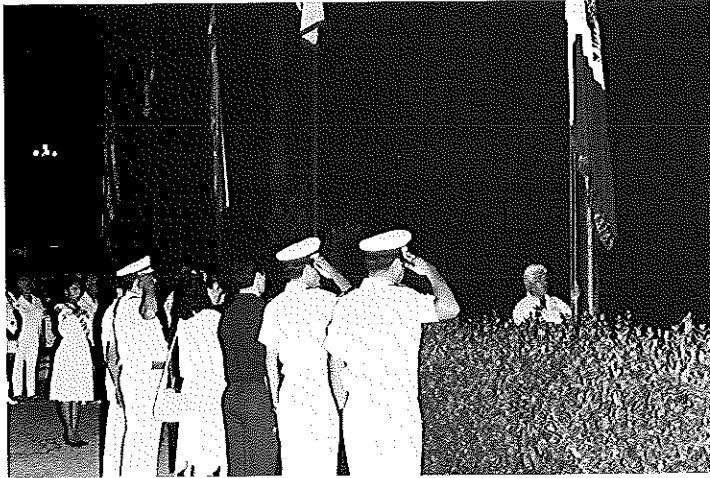
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In 1981, ten years after retirement, the Deans were making plans to repatriate . . . to Wichita Falls, Texas, Dita's hometown . . . when a letter arrived informing Dr. Dean that the 41st was to be held at Acapulco in November, and would be called "The Roy B. Dean" Tournament.

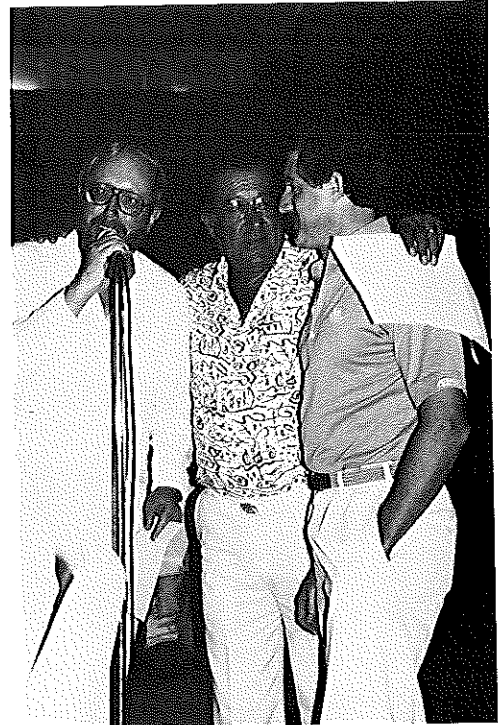
This decision had been made in Florida with no knowledge that the Deans' repatriation was planned and for November.

Dr. Dean had crossed the Rio Grande at Comargo, Nuevo Leon, by rowboat on January 1, 1921. It was an American Airlines jet that, at tournament's end, flew him and his wife Dita from their beloved Mexico, at Acapulco.

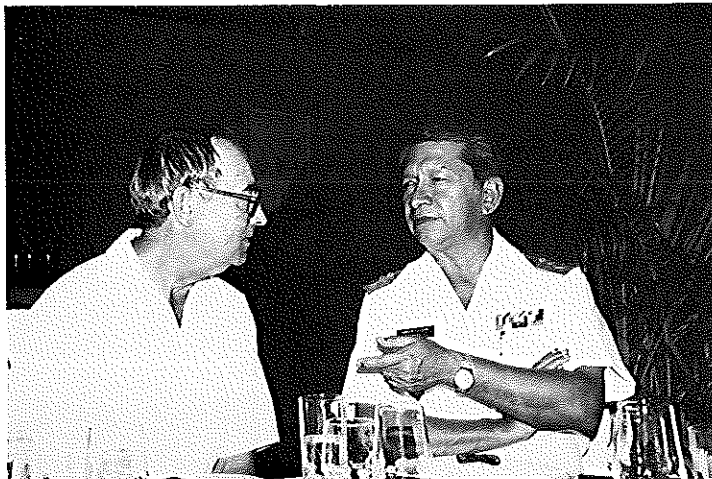
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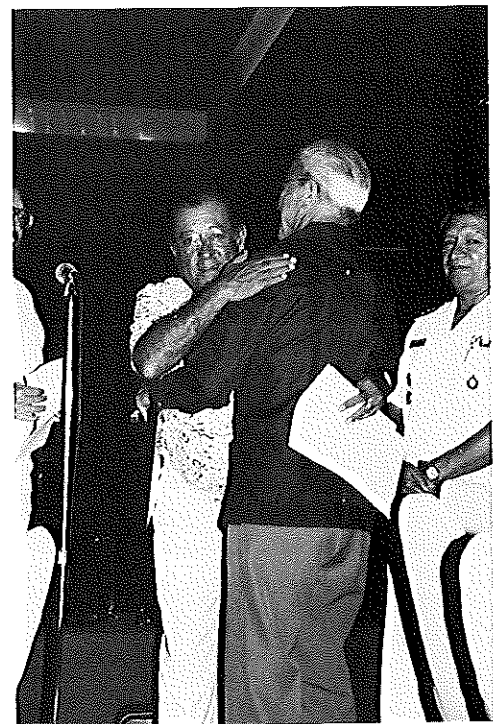
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Pedro Pinzon, Jorge Rivera,
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President Tom Westcott with Vice-Admiral
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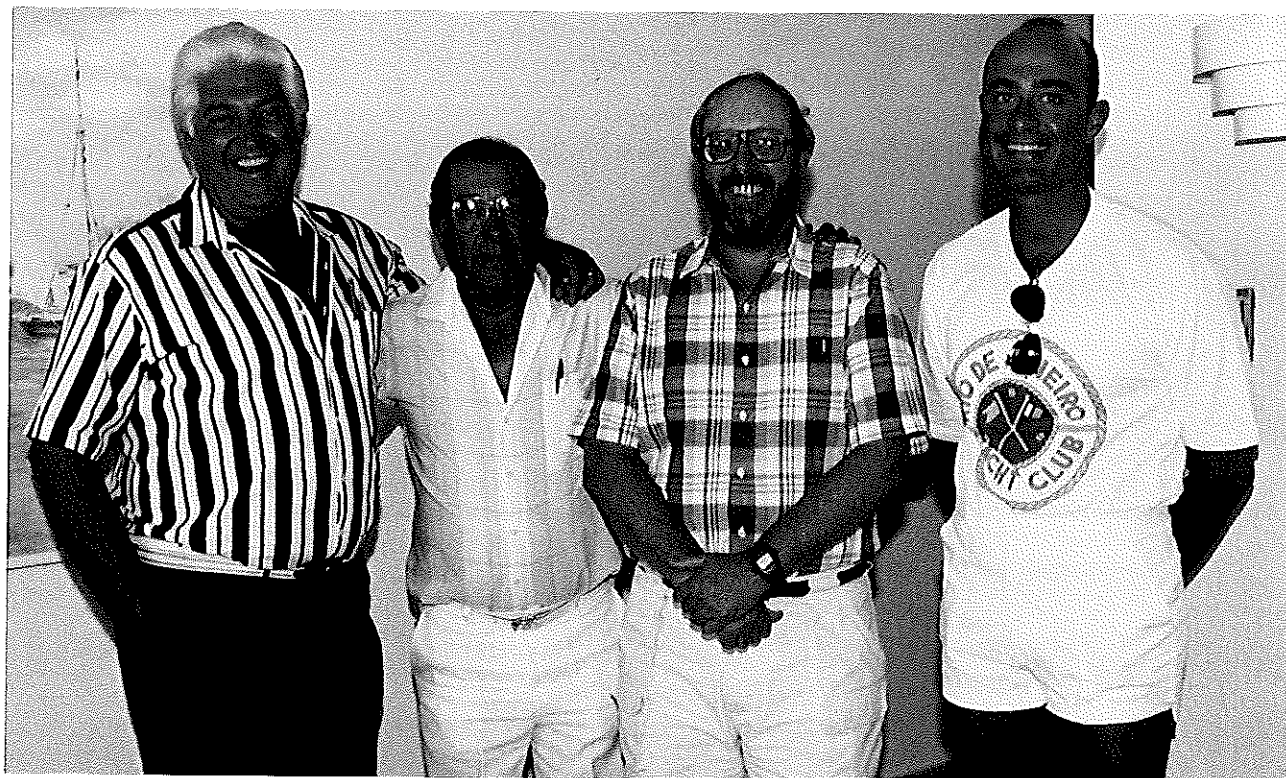
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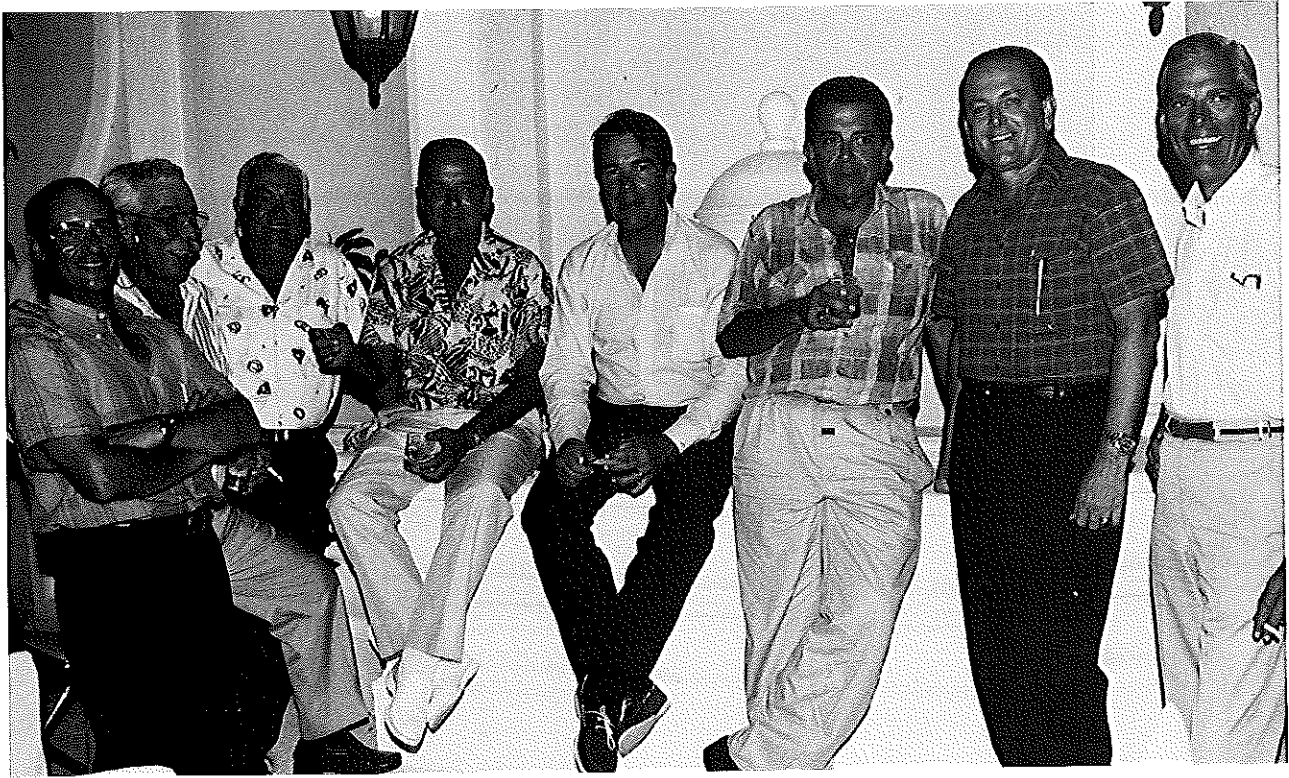
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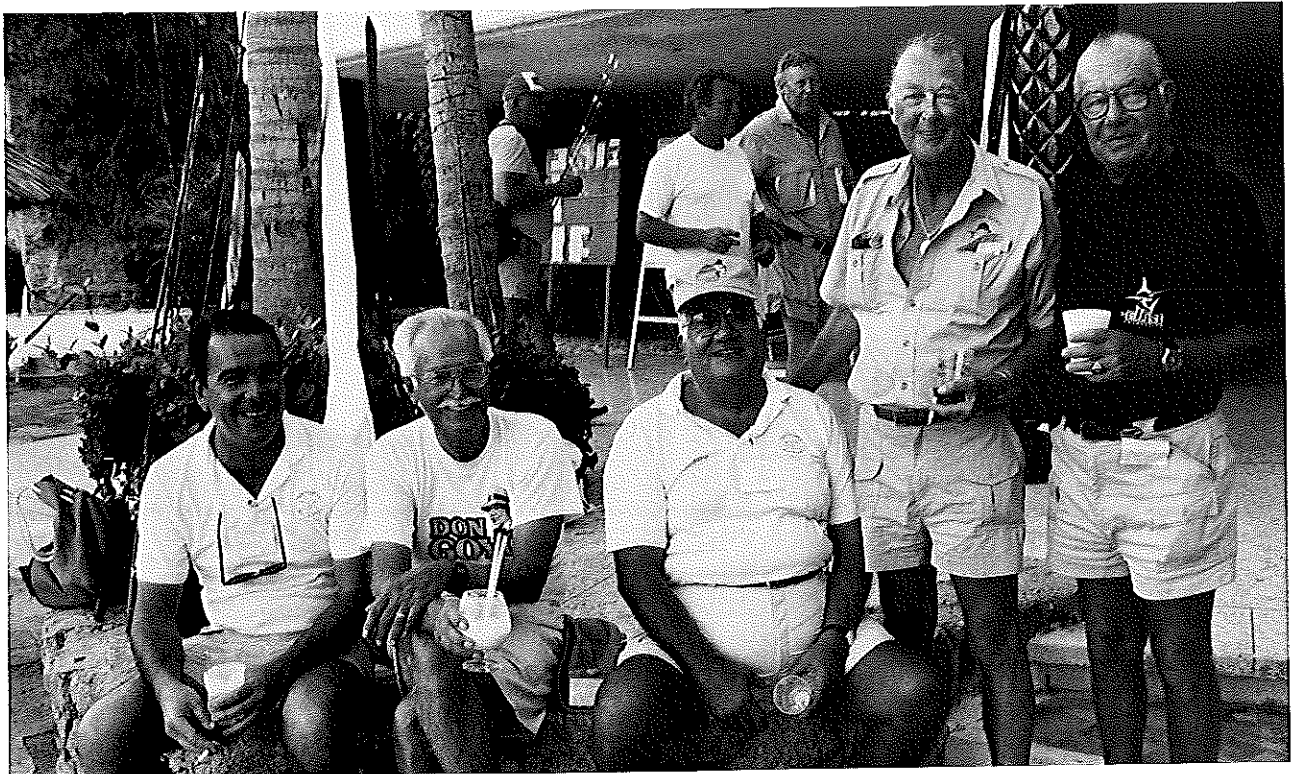
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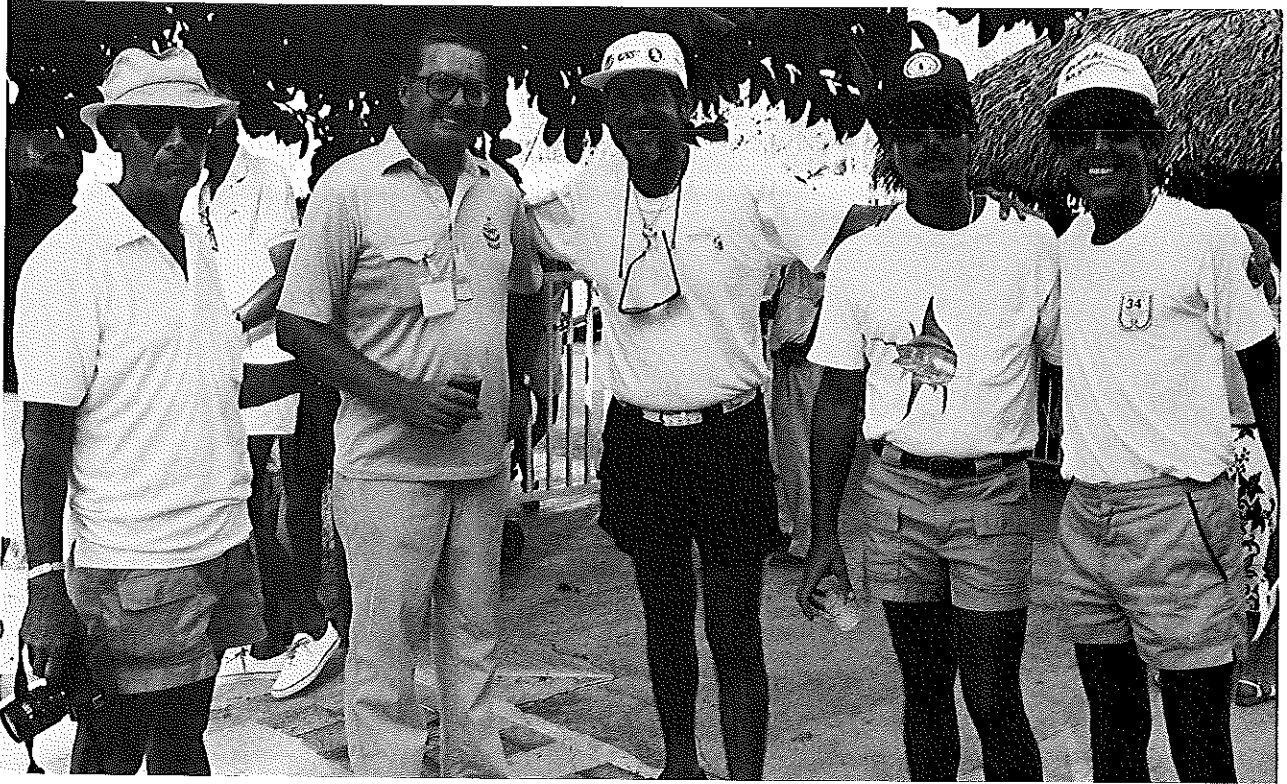
The 50th Committee
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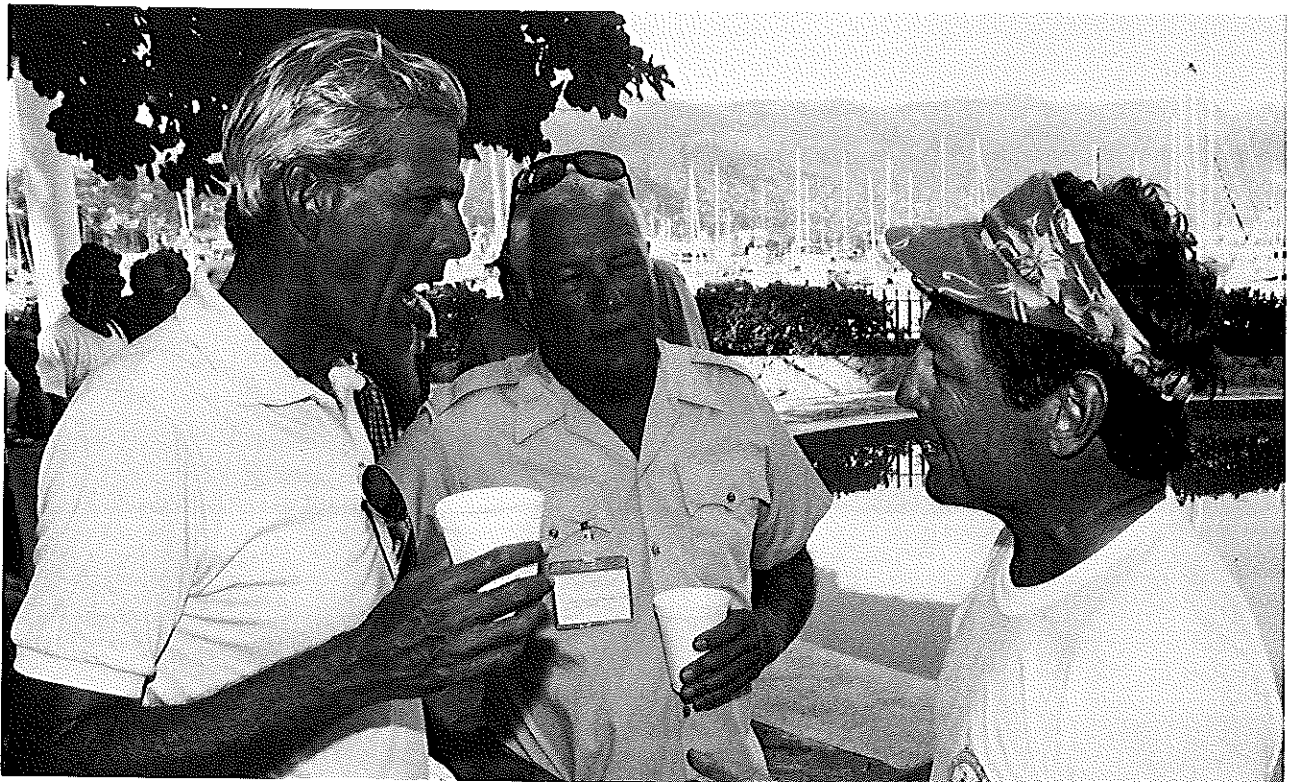
The Boys from Puerto Rico!



Left to right — Joe Martin, Manuel Cuebas, Tito Infanson, Lynn Gavitt, Bob Herder



President Tom Westcott, Bill Hall, Cap Farrat, Otto Verguelro, Paulo Pessoa



Bruno Rodriguez, Captain Harry, Tim Choate



"BIG BELT" WINNERS
Curacao Yacht Club
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International LIGHT TACKLE TOURNAMENT

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1946-1961

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DR. ROY B. DEAN

Most tales grow larger in the telling and many fish stories have been so accused. The growth in popularity of The International Light Tackle Tournaments cannot be attributed to any such tales—but to the work of many individuals who are members of clubs affiliated with The International Game Fish Association.

During the second world war, I had considerable correspondence with Forest Hallet, Secretary and Treasurer of The Pacific Sailing Club of Balboa, Canal Zone. I believe it was he who first suggested international club tournaments when the war was over.

Before we got around to forming such an organization, fishing tournaments, called 'rodeos,' were becoming popular in Mexico. It was a pleasure to meet and fish with the sportsmen who came to these events from various parts of the Western Hemisphere. The late Tucker McClure of Panama was one of these and another was an old friend and adviser on salt water angling, the late Dr. George Chuck of Long Beach, California. We agreed we would enjoy fishing together occasionally, not only for the gratification of renewing friendships, but, because we came from different sections of the hemisphere, we could exchange ideas of fish and tackle for our mutual advantage and pleasure.

It occurred to me that we should have a token prize to fish for in the annual rodeos held in Mexico. This would not only stimulate interest in light tackle fishing, but would give our group an opportunity to compete with each other in the skilled use of lines lighter than those generally used. So, I had an ornate fishing belt designed. It was Mexican made with the Aztec calendar embossed on one side of the rod socket, and a leaping sailfish on the other, along with what seemed appropriate inscriptions. The Sailfish and Tarpon Club of Mexico proposed to donate the belt as an extra prize to be fished for during the annual Acapulco Rodeo. It was to be contested for by teams made up of members of fishing clubs in order that experienced

anglers could compete with each other using nine-thread line. However, my plan was frowned upon and turned down by the promoters of the rodeo. They explained it would be a tournament within a tournament, which they did not consider desirable.

John Sutcliffe, Secretary of the Sailfish and Tarpon Club of Mexico, had invited some of us to be his guests at his Acapulco home during the 1946 annual spring sailfish rodeo. Dr. George Chuck and Tucker McClure were included in this fortunate group.

The night before the rodeo it was decided that in spite of being turned down by the "brass," we would conduct a (sub rosa) competition and the belt awarded to the club whose member caught the largest sailfish on nine-thread during the rodeo. Since there were only four of us to compete, we formed one-man teams. Dr. Chuck represented The Southern California Tuna Club; Tucker McClure, The Pacific Sailfish Club of Panama; Jack Sutcliffe, The Acapulco Yacht Club; and I, The Sailfish and Tarpon Club of Mexico.

Apparently all of the big sails went for the baits put out by the anglers on heavy tackle who were after those glittering and gleaming prizes secured by the rodeo promoters. An 83-pound sailfish (a bit on the skinny side for Acapulco waters) that I caught, won the belt for my club.

The four of us had so much fun (especially the winner), we decided to get out in the open with our light tackle tournament fishing. The result being, the Sailfish and Tarpon Club of Mexico sponsored an invitational tournament on November 1, 2, 3 of 1946. Invitations were sent to all clubs affiliated with The International Game Fish Association and we decided to follow the rules of that organization. One of the first clubs to send regrets was the Gold Coast Colony in West Africa. We never have heard from Australia. However, The Rod and Reel Club of Miami Beach not only wired but wrote they were sending a three-man team. The Hawaii Big Game Association accepted by sending Dr. Philip

Corboy, who was an old pal, and he darn near won the tournament for his club single handed. George Chuck had an old timer of seventy-four years, the late Allen Wright, fishing with him on The Southern California Tuna Club Team. They hit the jack-pot the final day with a marlin by Wright of 182½ pounds, plus several sails. This won for them the second leg on the belt. Mr. Wright was the popular hero of the tournament. There were 141 sailfish and two marlins caught during the three days.

Many feel this was one of our most enjoyable tournaments. We stayed at the Hotel Riviera and arranged to have our breakfasts and dinners together. This was the first time representatives of leading fishing clubs had competed in an international light tackle fishing tournament. We exchanged ideas on tackle and bill-fishing, women and whiskey. We learned considerable about two of these subjects which had not been previously exhausted.

Jack Bryson, Bert Harborn and Bob Walker were the representatives of The Rod and Reel Club of Miami Beach. They startled some of us with the light leaders they used so effectively, as most of us in Mexico and California used heavier ones. Pete Peterson and Gene Beilharz were there as members of The Three-Six Minus Club of Los Angeles and the argument on the skillful use of three-thread on bill fish is still unsettled. Tucker McClure brought William Stevenson and Herb Knapp from Panama with him. They had much to offer concerning fish and tackle used by the famous Pacific Sailfish Club of Panama. The grand old Tuna Club of Santa Catalina Island had Charles Hopton trolling baits for them. Charlie helped in explaining to some of us less experienced anglers the advantage and pleasure of proper handling of a rod on a fish. We were honored by having the President-elect of Mexico, Lic. Miguel Aleman, fish one day with us and he caught (off the record) a sailfish. The following clubs competed in the second tournament at Acapulco:

- The Sailfish and Tarpon Club of Mexico.
- The Southern California Tuna Club
- The Tuna Club of Avalon
- The Acapulco Yacht Club
- The Hawaii Big Game Association
- The Three-Six Minus Club
- The Rod and Reel Club
- The Pacific Sailfish Club of Panama.

Lic. Genaro Garcia, Bink Goodrich, Elton Silliman, Leslie Bunt, Dr. Charles Cornish, Profe Braniff, and our club secretary, Juan Sutcliffe, all rendered valuable aid to the Mexican club in running the event. Particularly was stressed the importance of releasing all fish not needed for a record, and that anglers of the same club never fish together. The raffling of boats, and a lottery system to assign anglers to fish on them, was discussed. We realized that one and two-man teams in competition with a full team of three men was not ideal but we were not able to come up with the best solution in those days of inexperience.

Tucker McClure extended an invitation from The Pacific Sailboat Club of Panama to hold the next tournament off Rey Island, in the Perlas group, seventy-five miles from Balboa. The contest was held August 28, 29, 31 in 1947 and was a most enjoyable event. The pre-tournament meetings were held in Balboa and then boats, on which we were to fish, took us to Rey Island where we made headquarters in barracks of the United States army. The armed forces had teams in this tournament and a team from Costa Rica, although not a member of the I.G.F.A., was a participant. They did not compete for the belt which is the tournament trophy. There were seven clubs, of two members each, competing for the honor of having a plate with their club's name added to the coveted belt, and thirty-two independent anglers—which made a grand total of forty-five men and women fishing.

The Southern California Tuna Club, captained by Dr. George Chuck, with J. J. Burnett, Jr., as team-mate, won the privilege of keeping the belt until the next meet. They caught five sailfish to tie with the number of sails caught by the Pacific Sailfish Club of Panama. However, since weights were also counted and Burrell had brought in a 111-pound fish, the California team won by a narrow margin. One hundred points were allowed on all released sailfish. The forty-five anglers fishing resulted in a total score of fifty-six sails as well as one black marlin of 258-pounds (taking the nine-thread world record from me), caught by the British Minister to Panama, the Hon. J. D. Greenway. He became one of our staunch supporters in later tournaments until His Majesty's government transferred him to Iceland where there are trout but few, if any, tropical fish. The Rod and Reel Club of Miami

Beach sent three anglers, whereas most other clubs were only represented by two. It was decided to count the team score of two men only. Therefore, Bob Walker dropped off the Miami team after the first days fishing. His tournament catch of three sails would likely have won the belt for his club. All of us felt badly about this matter. It was our inexperience that caused the ruling, but we were learning. The Florida men went to the head of the class in good sportmanship and are still there as far as we are all concerned. One of the principle reasons why these tournaments are such popular events is the high type of contestants that attend.

The other clubs of the I.G.F.A. that competed at Panama were The Rod and Reel Club of Miami Beach with Frank Baxter and Captain Bill Seay, and Bob Walker and Al Pflueger fishing independently. The Three-Six Minus Club of Los Angeles was again represented by Gene Beilharz and V. F. (Pete) Peterson. Gene caught a 109-pound sail for a new three-thread world's record. The Sailfish and Tarpon Club of Mexico was represented by B. N. (Bink) Goodrich and myself. The Acapulco Yacht Club team had Juan Sutcliffe and Arturo Nagle. The latter won the individual prize with a 125-pound sailfish in this his first tournament. The Panama Fishing Club of Panama City had R. K. Morris and Dr. Carlos Brin fishing for them, and the host club was ably cared for by John Gorin and James Ernest. The other Panamanians present were Tucker McClure, Col. Geo. Hesner, William Stevenson, John Writtridge, Frank Cunningham, Herb Knapp, Dr. William Clinchard and John Haas.

The club in Panama, with Cunningham as President, and Slim Hallett as Secretary, did an excellent job of entertaining us and we will always be deeply indebted to them. Tucker McClure, one of the originators of these affairs, did monumental work in putting on the tournament. In all, five new world's records were established. In addition to those already mentioned, Jane Knapp took Dita Dean's nine-thread women's record for sailfish away from her. However, Mrs. Dean was able to establish a new nine-thread wahoo record for women.

The famous Rod and Reel Club of Miami Beach invited us for the next tournament which was held in Miami on November 18, 19, 20 of 1948.

The popular Jack Mahoney was president of the host club and his committees showed us a few things about tournament management. At a post-tournament dinner some of us got our first catch of "mike fright." It was evident we had come a long way with our international fishing events. There were twenty-four teams and sixty-one anglers competing, making this the largest aggregation to date. Fishing was fair. Thirty-seven sailfish were caught, the majority being released as usual. The Sailfish and Tarpon Club of Mexico won their second leg on the belt. The team was made up of Dr. George Chuck, Mrs. Louise Hopton of Long Beach, and myself. Several anglers fished for the first time with our group; some of them are now regulars and seldom miss a tournament. Among them are Alan Ferguson, James O'Donnell, Jr., Howie Sayre, Al Roig, Fred Hershorn, Don Locke, Bill Pigg, Ralph Larrabee, William McClure, Paul Young, Bob Kleiser, Harold Parks, William F. Price, Thomas Shevlin, J. Lee Cuddy, George Bass, Ben Crowninshield and Jack Mahoney. The latter did not fish this time since he was busy running the show.

The following year the reliable Southern California Tuna Club sponsored the annual event which was held in Acapulco, November 16, 17, 18 of 1949. This was called the Fifth International Light Tackle Sailfish Tournament. We called this one the fifth to keep the records correct for the number of tourneys held. What had been called the first was in fact of listing the second tournament—and so on. Believe it or not, when we first started, we were so green we could not even count. We were rapidly learning better ways of handling our affairs and growing pains were in evidence. Dr. George Chuck, the old standby, was general chairman for this Acapulco session. He and his committees did an outstanding job of running this most successful of all our tournaments — fish-wise that is.

Not only did the sailfish cooperate, but fishing became better each day. On the last day we were really in schools of them. The Acapulco black and silver marlin were running and they came off with top honors. There were numerous strikes and between ten and fifteen hook-ups during the days we were there but not one angler caught a marlin on light tackle. Alibis were flying around thicker than a California smog.

Twenty-three clubs were represented and "Angler A" and "Angler B" filled in on the teams made up of one or two men. The late Phil Swaffield, famous in California big game fishing circles, was "Angler A." His splendid fishing resulted in a tie for first place between Hotel Club de Pesca, an Acapulco team, and The Ocean City Light Tackle Club of Maryland. Guy Daniels and Taylor Reedy made up the Mexican team. Alan "Fergie" Ferguson and Reggie Foster were the winners for the Ocean City club. When the results were tabulated we found we had 803 sailfish strikes amongst the sixty-eight anglers and 336 sailfish were caught. All but five of them were released.

Two world records were broken in pre-tournament fishing. Mrs. Frank Linnell of Long Beach upped the ladies six-thread sailfish record to 124 pounds while Don Allison of Los Angeles broke Frank Baxter's nine-thread, 140-pound record with a sail weighing 141 pounds. I personally weighed both fish and took their measurements as International Committeeman for the I.G.F.A.

More regulars were added to the list of participants making their first appearances. Among them were Horace Witherspoon, Charles F. Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Lou Marron, Henry Channin, Jim Locke, Jonah Jones, Dr. L. C. Lowe, George Holstein and Dr. Ernesto Chavez.

The sixth tournament was based at the Palm Beaches, Florida, and jointly sponsored by The Sailfish Conservation Club, The West Palm Beach Fishing Club and The Sailfish Club of Florida. Charles F. Johnson was the efficient general chairman and Bounce Anderson, his hard working secretary. This was the largest turn out to date. One hundred and three anglers were present and there were thirty-four clubs represented to catch a total of 183 sails. West Palm Beach Fishing Club, made up of M. F. (Buck) Baugher, Henry Chanin and Tommy Shevlin won a leg on the famous belt.

Some of us experienced our first "balling the bait" in pretournament trips. The hospitality of the Florida clubs was something we will ever remember. Art Hall, Jack Ardis, Ben Nitzsche, R. E. Slocum, Buck Baugher, Vince Burkhard, J. W. Harrison, V. R. Hoover, H. H. Hyman, Dr. N. McCoy, Charles Swanton, M. C. Gale, R. M. Anderson, E. D. Marin, C. F. Urschel, Jr., Nelson Be-

nedick, G. C. Beckwith, A. J. Doerman, John E. Larson, William Negby, Franklin Smith, P. A. B. Widener, III, Paul Young, Alan LeSavoy, John Kerkam, Frank Wilson, F. Magnus, John Larsen were some of the anglers present as well as many men who had fished in earlier tournaments. Tournament headquarters was the Palm Beach Biltmore Hotel.

The Seventh International Tournament, November 14, 15, 16 of 1951, was sponsored by The Tuna Club, Santa Catalina Island, California, whose president was the efficient Frank Bivens and general chairman was again Dr. George Chuck. It was held in Acapulco and headquarters was the Hotel Club de Pesca with fishing docks on the bay. There were twenty-six clubs affiliated with the I.G.F.A. represented, and a total of eighty-five anglers, which of course meant that several were fishing independently as freelancers.

History repeated itself and excellent fishing was enjoyed. We had a total of 833 sailfish strikes and 362 sails were caught. With very few exceptions, all were released. Repetitions often occur in our tournaments. The Southern California Tuna Club won two times in a row; once at Acapulco and again the following year in Panama. This time the skilled anglers of the West Palm Beach Fishing Club repeated their victory of the previous event held in Florida and another engraved silver plate was added to the famous fishing belt donated by The Sailfish and Tarpon Club. Incidentally, this now made three clubs that had won the belt two times; The Sailfish and Tarpon Club of Mexico, The Southern California Tuna Club and The West Palm Beach Fishing Club. And, getting ahead of our story, in 1955 the Ocean City Light Tackle Club won the tenth annual tournament in Palm Beach, giving them also two engraved silver plates on the belt. When a club wins the trophy three times a gold plate, instead of a silver one, is to be added. Keen interest was now aroused as to which team might be first to win the honor.

Not only were most of the old-timers present but more new faces appeared to join in these greatest of all fishing events. Russell Anderson, Jim Logan, Slim Bauman, Ellis Arkuse, Gilbert Barberias, Ray Call, Mario Gonzalez, Luke Gorham, Wayne Jenkins, Murray Jonas, Leonard Kingsbaker, John Larson, Leslie Lockart, A. N. Mc-

Crate, Sr., Dr. Nevall McCoy, Emerson Miller, Kenneth Neptune, Walter Newcomb, Jr., F. E. Newell, Al Pullen, Frank Rank, Cal Rector, Ray Roemer, John Rybovich, Jr., Fred Schock, J. W. Shekan, Carlton Smith, Dr. Mulford Smith, Harold Steinfeld, Steven Stephanian, William Suero, Frank Usedom, Lee Wilson, Hugh Wright and Paul Young. Actually several of the above men had fished in previous tournaments but they were pitching baits to sails in this tournament as hard as they ever did in their lives. Alan M. "Fergie" Ferguson, one of the most popular of our group, won first place as an individual with 1,375 points. We gave 145 points for six-thread and 125 points for nine-thread. I fished with Fergie the last day. Not only was he "hot" but he did not miss when the frequent opportunities for a hook-up presented themselves. This was the day that, on a double hook-up, Fred Schock's sail ran off all but the last few feet of his line, but he finally caught the fish. What a day! I still glow when I think of it. I saw sportsmanship exhibited at its zenith, but this has always distinguished our get-togethers. Everyone seems to lean over backwards to give his companions-of-the-day a break. The Tuna Club did a marvelous job of handling tournament affairs and everybody left with a keen desire to return for more of that fantastic fishing.

Many thought we could not miss at Acapulco but the fish decide these matters. This we were to find out the following year when The Sailfish and Tarpon Club of Mexico, under the presidency of that genial lawyer, Genaro Garcia, and I as general chairman, sponsored the tournament. November 19, 20, 21 of 1952, were the dates, and again at the Hotel Club de Pesca in Acapulco. Twenty-six clubs were represented and seventy eager anglers were on hand with the intention of again breaking tournament records. The days were sunny and the nights balmy, as is usual in Acapulco during most of the year. The pre-tournament dinner with last minute instructions came off successfully with nearly everyone going to bed early so as to get out there the next day and "knock off" a few sails.

When the boats began to return after four o'clock with only a few release flags visible, some of us learned that "it" can happen in Acapulco too! Let's get it over with in a hurry. The next two days were little more than a Mexican boat ride. Thirty-seven sailfish were released

and 104 strikes reported for the three days fishing. The Tuna Club of Catalina Island, California, won the tourney and for the first time this "daddy" of all fishing clubs received a silver plate, to be attached to the trophy belt with appropriate engraving. D. H. Sluder was the first place winner with 375 points. This, however, seemed to have been one of the deals where, if you catch no fish, you get your money back—some of it anyway. Al Garner, the secretary of The Sailfish and Tarpon Club of Mexico, through miraculous juggling of figures, was pleased to return \$20.50 to ever angler who had paid the \$100.00 entrance fee.

The invitation to hold the Ninth Annual, based at the Palm Beaches and sponsored jointly by The West Palm Beach Fishing Club, The Sailfish Yacht and Beach Club of Palm Beach, and The Sailfish Conservation Club of the Palm Beaches, was eagerly accepted and the dates set for December 8, 9, 10, 11 of 1953.

This was the first and only tournament that I have missed. It was won by The Sportsman's Club of America. Ted Williams, who also plays baseball, was the champion and Gar Wood and Dave Denholm were his team-mates. As has happened to us in other places, the fish failed to cooperate, but poor fishing was again made up for by wonderful hospitality, and good organization on the part of the Palm Beach group. There were thirty-two teams and eighty-two participants. They had 145 strikes and caught 57 sailfish, with practically all of them released.

Panama had made the pitch for the tenth tournament but finally decided not to sponsor it. So, again the Palm Beaches offered to hold it there. This tournament was to prove to everyone that the waters there are potentially as good for sailfish as any that can be found. The pre-tournament fishing had given some of us a chance to "ball the bait." We had seen many sailfish while doing this — although trolling was not yielding very good results.

There were thirty clubs represented — twenty-seven of them made up of three members and the other three only had two anglers to represent them. Fishing was just fair the first two days. There were 23 strikes and five sails caught the first day and 41 strikes and 15 sails whipped the next. A storm blew up the night before the final

day and in the rough water the following morning we found sailfishing exciting enough to please anyone. There were 380 strikes and 154 sailfish caught, making a grand total of 444 strikes and 174 sails registered for the three days.

Everyone returned jubilant from fishing that afternoon, but Jim O'Donnell may have had the widest smile at the banquet. The final count showed him to be the individual high point angler with eight sails for 560 points. His Ocean City Light Tackle Club won the tournament with Alan Ferguson and Osbourn Owings his teammates. They caught a total of 14 sails which gave them 970 points.

The tenth tournament will be remembered always with keen pleasure, especially for the marvelous fishing on the final day. The general chairman was the popular John Rybovich, ably assisted by his committees, and as usual, the hard working Bounce Anderson kept the records.

Representatives of The Balboa Angling Club of California had given us a glowing report in the Palm Beaches of Mazatlan's striped marlin and sail fishing. It was this club that sponsored the eleventh tournament at Mazatlan. Only teams of three men were allowed to enter and the registration for this tournament was complete and closed several weeks before the opening date. Thirty clubs affiliated with the I.G.F.A. were entered, which meant ninety anglers in all.

For some reason, Mazatlan's fishing got off to a late season in January, 1956, but by March it had begun to pick up. When some of us arrived the day before the tournament we were pleased to get, from those who had gone early to warm up, such enthusiastic reports of Mazatlan and its fishing.

A high wind blew up the day before the tournament was to start which slowed up our fishing. During the three days of the tournament 110 bill fish were caught. Whereas, on Friday before the tournament the fleet caught 80 fish (mostly marlin) and on Saturday, 84. There were 179 strikes reported for the tournament.

The winning club was The Sailfish and Tarpon Club of Mexico. High point anglers, Gene Fry and Osbourn Owings, were tied for first place

with 450 points each. The first gold plate to be added to the famous fishing belt was won by The Sailfish and Tarpon Club of Mexico. As said before, any club winning the tournament three times receives a gold instead of the usual silver plate. Dr. Ernesto Chavez, Guy Daniels and I were the anglers on the winning team.

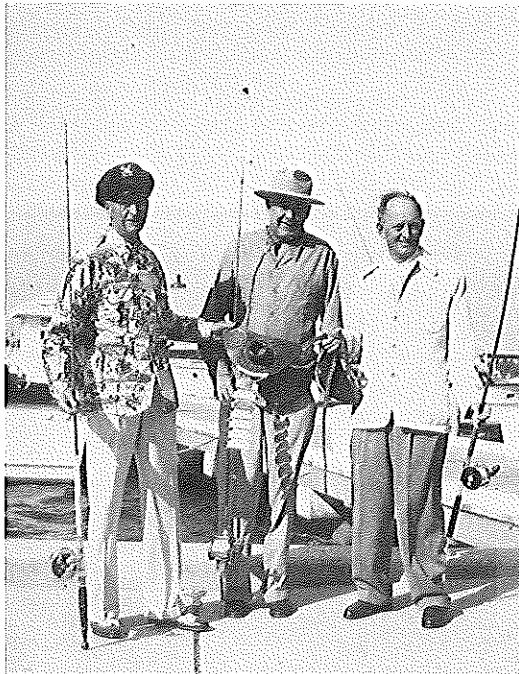
Hard working Horace Witherspoon was general chairman of the tournament. The Balboa Angling Club Committee did splendid work in running our affairs for us. It was one of the most successful events in our history.

While those of us who handled the management of the first tournaments were inexperienced, we tried to keep them on a high plane of sportsmanship in every respect. We had no particular governing body for the first five tournaments. By correspondence between Dr. George Chuck, Tucker McClure and myself we managed to plan the events and then left arrangements up to the clubs sponsoring the tournament.

Eventually it was realized that each section of the Western Hemisphere that sent teams to compete should be represented. Men were picked that we felt had a sincere desire to help with the international aspects and would work for the pleasure of doing a good job.

A governing body was selected after the fifth tournament. It was made up of Dr. George Chuck, Tucker McClure, Herbert Knapp, Bob Kleiser, John Mahoney, Vigo Peterson and myself. The Board of Governors for the seventh and eighth tournaments were: Dr. Roy B. Dean, Dr. George C. Chuck, Tucker McClure, Herbert Knapp, Bob Kleiser, John Mahoney and Donald Allison. At the eighth tournament, held also in Acapulco, our first constitution was proposed and a Board of Directors was elected at the meeting of the "International Light Tackle Sailfish Association." Members of the board were chosen from various sections of the United States, Mexico and Panama. The list follows:

John Mahoney, President	
Dr. Roy B. Dean, Vice-President	
John Rybovich, Jr., Secretary-Treasurer	
A. I. Bauman	James O'Donnell, Jr.
Frank Bivens	Fred Schock, Jr.
Dr. George Chuck	Charles Urschel
Genaro Garcia	Horace Witherspoon



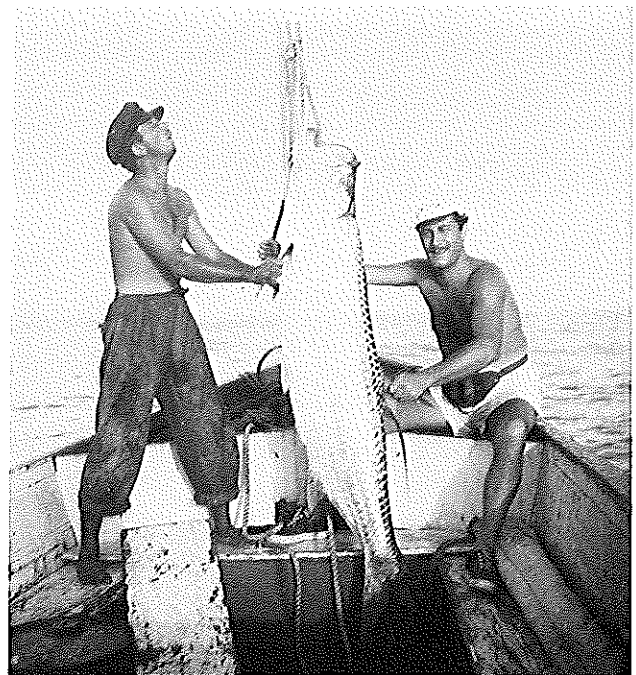
George Chuck — Southern California Tuna Club. After early years spent in the Philippines, George established Long Beach, California as home. George arrived at The Eleventh in Mazatlan with his bride Betty. He died suddenly of an apparent heart attack several months later.

Tucker McClure — Pacific Sailfish Club of Panama. His home was California but he spent most of his time in the Panama area, engaged in airport construction during World War II. It was through correspondence with Roy Dean that he became a member of the "Gang of Four". It was because of his efforts, The Third in Panama was so successful. After attending the first four tournaments, ill health prevented this serious perfectionist from continuing. Death came early to him.

Roy Dean — Sailfish and Tarpon Club of Mexico. He was the son of Colorado ranchers. On January 1, 1921 he crossed the Rio Grande and remained in his beloved Mexico until November, 1981 when he and his Dita repatriated to Wichita Falls, Texas. In 1938 and 1939 Roy Dean did graduate work at U.S.C. in orthodontics. One of his instructors was George Chuck and from this association a close and lasting friendship was born with an interest not only in orthodontics but a common hobby of saltwater fishing.

With his interest in the promotion of good sportsmanship, Doc Dean was often heard to say "I would rather make a friend than catch a fish."

John (Juan/Jack) Sutcliffe — Club de Yates de Acapulco. This charming man-about-town was the youngest of "The Gang". He was born in Mexico of a Mexican mother and English father. His beautiful wife was a member of the Monterrey Madero (ex-president) family. His business was "The New Yorker", a fashionable Mexico City haberdashery. After The Fifth in Acapulco, we saw him no more at the ILTT, as while it was known he had a heart condition, his early death came as a shock.



The "Gang of Four" were men of admirable qualities, qualities that continue to make the International Light Tackle Tournament Association so great.

PAGES FROM THE PAST

DR. ROY B. DEAN: THE MAN BEHIND THE BELT

By Dade W. Thornton

Roy Dean didn't start out as a belt maker. In fact, he only made one belt in his life and that was fifty years ago. But it was a very special belt and means a great deal to hundreds of people around the world and is the symbol of "Doc" Dean's life-long dedication to Light Tackle Fishing. It's the coveted Perpetual Trophy for the International Light Tackle Tournament Association.

Roy Dean was born in Las Animas, Colorado, October 9, 1895, and from early childhood he wanted to be a dentist. He graduated from the University of Denver in 1917, served in the 12th Infantry in World War I and returned to Las Animas to establish his dental practice. In 1921 a Tex-Mex classmate enticed "Doc" to go with him to Mexico City. He loved the country and established a practice in Pachuca in the State of Hidalgo and remained in Mexico until 1981. At that time, Pachuca was the largest silver producing area in the world. In 1926, he discovered tarpon fishing in Tampico, Mexico's booming oil center, and moved his office there until 1929 when he moved his office to Mexico City. Along with his love of dentistry and fishing, Doc had a desire to be a young wealthy entrepreneur and with that in mind invested heavily in a silver mine in the State of Zacatecas. But when the Cardenas Regime expropriated the mines his silver dreams turned to muddy nightmares. He also took a fling as Executive Vice President of Aeronaves Centrales, a Mexican affiliate of Pan-Am, but that too didn't work out. It was obvious that Doc needed help. He needed a strong woman to curb his ambitions and take care of him. He found the perfect lady — a tall, elegant and beautiful blonde with a penchant for fishing and the love of adventure. It took a lot of bouquets and boxes of candy, but on September 13, 1935 he married Dita Lou Russell of Wichita Falls, Texas, and life has been a golden sleigh ride ever since. In no time Dita straightened the Doc out and in 1938 she convinced him to return to the States and get a degree in Orthodontics. After receiving his M.D.Sc. from U.S.C. he and Dita went back to his practice in Mexico City and Doc was the first person to specialize in orthodontics in Latin America. Doc Dean is as famous for his dental accomplishments as he is for his fishing. His medical honors include Honorary Membership in the Pierre Fauchard Academy, Affiliate Member of American Dental Association of Orthodontists, and Ex-Regent of International College of Dentists. Also, he is the

first orthodontist in Latin America to become Diplomate of American Board of Orthodontists.

Doc and Dita's angling adventures took them from Patagonia to Alaska with visits to Peru for swordfish and world record producing quests for black marlin. (Doc held records for sailfish on 3 thread in 1945 and black marlin records for 9 thread and 15 thread in 1946.) One of the Deans' most memorable trips was a week in the mountains of Antumalai, Chile fishing for rainbow trout. Although Dita loved fishing, and at one time, back when you used linen line, she had caught more Pacific sailfish than any woman in the world, she had a problem — she got violently seasick. It took 17 trips and two years during which she tried everything from Mother Sills seasick remedy to prayer before she found a remedy. Finally, she heard that the old Spanish sailors bested mal de mer by taking a raw egg with the juice of a lime over it. She tried it and hasn't been sick since.

Doc is the Founder and Perpetual President of the Sailfish and Tarpon Club of Mexico, the Honorary Vice Commodore of Club de Yates de Acapulco, and since 1944 he's been on the International Committee of the International Game Fish Association and its first Representative for Mexico. I.G.F.A. President, Elwood K. Harry, says Doc Dean is one of the best International Representatives they've ever had and has been an invaluable diplomat in promoting sport-fishing and marine conservation in his adopted country. As an I.G.F.A. Rep., Doc and Dita explored both coasts of Mexico under primitive conditions so hazardous they would have spooked a participant in Outward Bound. One time in Campeche, a group of local fishermen were examining their fancy tackle when one old grizzled veteran stated, "To use tackle like that for me would be like dancing with a beautiful woman with gloves on! I'll stick to my hand lines." Doc and his Sailfish and Tarpon Club were the first to sponsor and pursue tagging in Latin America. It was tough going at first but finally Pan-Am donated a copious supply of the little round disks used at that time and the program took off. Unfortunately, no tagged fish were ever recovered from that period. According to Doc, it was probably because of the bio-degradable quality of the tags.

Doc had long suspected there were white marlin in the Mexican Caribbean although none had ever

been caught and all authorities proclaimed there were none in that vast area. Doc studied the currents and noted that the westerly flow of the equatorial current is deflected north as it reaches South America. The water tends to pile up in the Caribbean and a rapid current of up to five knots surges through the Yucatan Channel. Doc was certain that because of this, White Marlin and even Blues could be found in the deep rougher waters off Cozumel. Because of the difficulty of getting there it was 1962 before the Deans could test Doc's theory. But on their first trip in May, 1962 Doc caught the first White Marlin in Mexico. The sailfish and marlin fishing was great but it was the bonefish fishing that kept bringing them back.

Doc Dean has written numerous articles on both fishing and dentistry, a chapter on Mexico in *Stackpole & Hecht's Encyclopedia of Fishing* and a chapter in *Hart Stillwell's Fishing in Mexico*. Among the volumes of items written about "Doc" Dean and Dita, a paragraph from Kip Farrington's 1949 book "Fishing The Atlantic" stands out: "Dr. Roy B. Dean, Mexico City, is the International Game Fish Association's Representative for Eastern and Southern Mexico and he is a great Sportsman and a fine enthusiastic Angler — a real student of the game. He is an excellent Light Tackle Fisherman and has done a great deal of good for Mexico. His wife, Dita, is also a crack Light Tackle Angler and holds six ladies' records. If you want any information on fishing on both sides of Mexico from the man who knows, don't hesitate to get in touch with Dr. Dean." In a later Farrington article he refers to the Deans as one of the top ten fishing couples in the world.

One of the first to respond to Farrington's "Invitation" was world famous baseball star, Ted Williams, who credits the Deans with his consuming interest in sport-fishing. Warren Spahn and Gar Wood, Sr. & Jr., are some additional famous names who took advantage of the Deans hospitality and knowledge.

Dr. Dean is probably best known for that gorgeous

hand tooled leather belt that now has 49 sterling silver engraved plates hanging from it although few know that "Doc" designed and oversaw the tooling of it. Doc has long been concerned by the huge numbers of bilfish that were boated and left on the dock like stacks of cord wood. He had wanted to start an International All Release Light Tackle Bilfish Tournament and when a Chicago Entrepreneur was promoting a large "Fishing Rodeo" in Acapulco he saw his opportunity. He approached the promoter with his plan. Doc's idea was to have an inter club competition with teams from clubs affiliated with the IGFA to fish under IGFA rules and with his ornate Mexican Fishing Belt as the Perpetual Trophy. Tucker McClure, representing the Panama Fishing Club, George Chuck from the Southern California Tuna Club, John Sutcliffe from Club de Yates de Acapulco and Doc from the Sailfish and Tarpon Club of Mexico would fish the Rodeo with their proposed rules. They were turned down but they fished it anyway as a Sub-Rosa Tournament within a Tournament and that was the first I.L.T.T.A. Tournament. Doc won. It was the Spring of 1946.

He also won the award for Top Individual Angler in 1946 and 1961 and helped his team win also in 1943 and 1956. Since then the I.L.T.T.A. Tournament has been held at least once each year in such diversified spots as Venezuela, Cabo San Lucas, Mazatlan, Rio de Janeiro, Palm Beach, Marathon, The Dominican Republic and Puerto Rico. In September, 1975 in Venezuela Doc was named Director Emeritus for the I.L.T.T.A.

The 50th Anniversary of the I.L.T.T.A. will be held this year, November 27-December 2 at the plush Hyatt Regency Hotel in Acapulco where Doc started it so long ago. Although Doc's health is now pretty frail, both he and Dita are looking forward to being there. It will be a long time before another Roy Dean with his pioneering dedication, his knowledge and his able helpmate come along. Until they open up the moon for bilfishing, there really won't be an opportunity.

Before this Anniversary Edition could be finished, Doc passed away quietly at his home in Wichita Falls, Texas on November 27, 1990 — just two days before the start of the 50th Tournament in Acapulco honoring him for his dedication, hard work, and love of the sport.

He will truly be missed by his many friends and will be thought of often in the years to come, especially when we are fishing . . .

SPORTFISHING

THE PROVING GROUNDS OF TACKLE

By John Rybovich

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The catalyst for the postwar development of fishing tackle was competitive fishing. For the light-tackle angler, there was the International Light Tackle Tournament Association (ILTTA). For the heavy-tackle fisherman, Cat Cay's tuna tournament provided the place and the fish for the angler to learn his limits, as well as those of his tackle. Not to be overlooked was the International Game Fish Association (IGFA) record book — the desire to see one's name listed added yet another tackle-testing facet, particularly when the lighter tackle was used for species formerly considered a challenge even on heavy tackle.

The ILTTA concept was three-man teams fishing separately, changing boats and partners each day. Competition was lightly regimented, good sportsmanship was the name of the game, giving us the opportunity to observe each other's equipment and methods. In the early tournaments, the Californians favored the 3-6 rods, often referred to as "buggy whips" by the Easterners who effectively used much heavier sticks. ILTTA locations were alternated between Pacific and Atlantic hot spots; Palm Beach has played host 11 times, and I have had the honor of being chairman of the event on three of those occasions.

Except for line size, founder Roy Dean and friends set no tackle parameters for the ILTTA except the usual "IGFA rules will apply." Anglers found the format quite acceptable, so when the sixth tournament came to Palm Beach in 1951, 34 clubs were in attendance, making it evident that the ILTTA concept was popular with the anglers.

Generally inhibited by tradition and severe club regulations pertaining to tackle, the Pacific Coast anglers were disadvantaged when competing with their East Coast counterparts. Setting the hook with a buggy whip was a futile gesture. If it weren't for the gluttony of the Pacific sailfish, I think they long would have been using sticks with hook-setting capability. Given a chance an Acapulco sailfish would take two baits. On more than one occasion on the drop-back, I found it necessary to reel to set the hook as my fish was about to take a second bait. Many an angler hooked up only to find the fish had already taken a second bait, which meant neither angler received credit. I always thought the first man to come flight on the fish should own it, and the other line should be broken off at once.

Finding New West Coast Leaders

The difference in terminal tackle was even more noticeable. Most Pacific anglers used cable leaders that looked like a 300-pound test. Leaders were in two pieces, joined in the center by a heavy bronze swivel, with a second swivel at the double line. One West Coast angler informed me that they relied on this extra weight to help set the hook when the fish jumped. They couldn't believe we used No. 7 or No. 8 piano wire. But like the buggy-whip rods, the cable leaders soon disappeared.

At the seventh ILTTA event in Acapulco, a cable leader would keep three Palm Beach anglers fishing. Tommy

Shevlin (who helped the West Palm Beach Fishing Club to its second win), Jim Logan, and I fished together, representing three teams. Bait was hard to come by and fishing had been hot, so by early afternoons we were fishing with our last mullet. Tournament rules wouldn't allow a fisherman to bring his sailfish on board for any reason — especially to use for bait. But while we were discussing our rather bleak bait situation, our boatman steered us to a dead sailfish with a cable leader dangling out of its mouth. Since we three were using wire leaders, it couldn't have been one of our released fish, so without any twinges of conscience, we brought it aboard and cut out enough strips to finish the day.

Going Synthetic

For many West Coast anglers, natural fibers had been a requisite for their rods, and in pre-World War II that's all there was. But in the postwar world, tackle and line manufacturers began experimenting with fibers made of glass, nylon, Dacron, and, in the early 1950's monofilament line in the smaller test sizes were introduced, and I switched from linen to Dacron in 1953, after first trying braided nylon, something I found to have too much stretch. For me, Dacron had the fishing feel I'd long associated with linen, plus an almost unlimited life on the reel, and line-dryers soon were only a line-changing accessory.

ILTTA line specifications changed from thread to pounds with the ninth event in 1953, initially fishing 12-, 20-, and 30-pound classes. Over the next few tournaments, this would change to a standard 20-pound test — either synthetic or linen.

In his ILTTA history, Roy Dean furnishes an interesting statistic on the lines used at the 1958 tournament in Mazatlan, Mexico, a site where anglers fished for both sailfish and striped marlin. Twenty-seven anglers used linen, 36 used mono, 20 preferred Dacron, four fished braided nylon, while seven others used more than one kind. That certainly is different from today. In the recent Masters Invitational Billfish Tournament in Palm Beach, there was only one angler fishing Dacron — me. I prefer the feeling of affinity between myself and the fish that can only be had using a woven line. Back when we were beginning to use monofilament, one of my fishing friends, Buck Baugher, after missing several sailfish — something he seldom did — disgustingly commented, "Using mono is like making love with gloves on," as he picked up his Dacron-spoiled spare.

Which Ted Williams?

Too late I learned it was Audubon Magazine writer Ted Williams of Grafton, Massachusetts — instead of the other Ted Williams — who authored the excellent Audubon article on so-called competitive fishing that prompted my piece in the August issue of *Boating*. I've apologized to Ted (of Grafton) for my error, and he graciously accepted it. This was a lesson in journalism I won't forget.

ILTTA LADIES

By Mrs. Dita Dean

At the Second at Acapulco: No plans had been made for the women to fish ... the women being Louise Hopton from Long Beach, California, and myself — Dita Lou Dean. After insisting on our rights, we were both club members, a boat was given to us and we competed against each other.

At the Third in Panama: There were four women fishing (Jan Knapp and Lena Hass of the Canal Zone, Isabel Stone of Costa Rica, and myself.) We have had problems at most tournaments and certainly we had them in Panama because the Panamanians were not accustomed to tournament fishing.

At the Fourth in Miami: The Sailfish & Tarpon team made a switch. It seems the California Club with which Dr. Chuck was to fish, placed a Mr. Fred Hershorn in his place and Bill Pigg took over the

captaincy. Anyway, George was left out in the cold. The result was that the Mexicans created two clubs. Art Nagel and another angler from Guadalajara or Mazatlan were joined by someone from another club and Doc had as his team both George Chuck and Louise Hopton (both members of Sailfish & Tarpon Club.) This was the only time women fished with the men as a team.

Beginning with the Sixth Tournament, the ladies fished on Ladies Day (this was the day that the men held their Board Meetings and General Meeting.) Thus they have held their own 1-day event ever since.

The Forty-second Tournament in Venezuela: 30 ladies caught and released 76 fish. This was the best score to date.



Sally Johnson and Crew

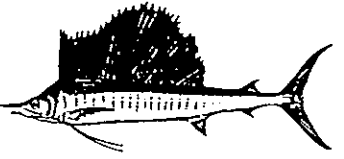
LADIES DAY WINNERS

NO.		POINTS	TOTAL FISH
VI	First Tournament for Ladies — Jean P. Smythe/Dorle Shevlin	Tied for 1st	?
VII	No Information		
VIII	No Information		
IX	No Information		
X	Kay Harrison, Belle Mathews, Ginny Sherwood	Tie 70 points each	?
XI	No Information		
XII	No Information		
XIII	Bettie Sears (California) Helen Crowninshield (Florida) Terry Wood (Florida)	Tie 100 Points each	?
XIV	Mrs. F.W. Roebeling III Miss Liona Sears Mrs. John Raulerson	300 points 200 points 200 points	17 Salls
XV	Mary Verner (Texas) Mary Ehler Gertrude Dale	300 points 200 points 200 points	31 Salls
XVI	Kay Rybovich (Florida) Mrs. David Sidford Mrs. Gar Wood (Florida) Mrs. Robert F. Clarke	300 points 300 points 300 points 300 points	36 Salls
XVII	Wanda Campbell (California) Shirley Munteen (California) Madeleine Huhn (Florida) Terry Wood (Florida)	100 points 100 points 100 points 100 points	4 Marlin
XVIII	Madeleine Huhn (Florida) — (Rough seas — Ladies fished Inshore)		10# Kingfish
XIX	Marguerite Barry (Mexico) Barbara Craig (Florida)	200 points 200 points	5 Salls & 1 Marlin
XX	Ladies did not fish due to bad weather.		
XXI	Mildred Dorsey (California) Madeleine Huhn (Florida) Mary Verner (Texas)	300 points 200 points 200 points	13 Salls & 1 Marlin
XXII	Jackeline Gauthier (Venezuela) Mary Sue Farenthold (Texas) Genoveva Riggs-Miller (Venezuela)	600 points 500 points 400 points	20 Billfish
XXIII	Ruth Moore (California) Madeleine Huhn (Florida) Marge Bracken (California)	200 points 100 points 100 points	15 White Marlin 5 Salls
XXIV	Marilyn Chipman (California) Buffy Reno (California) Mrs. Meyer (New Jersey)	400 points 200 points 200 points	22 Billfish
XXV	Sally Johnson (California) Maggie Gardiner Mildred Mitchell	400 points 300 points 300 points	55 Salls
XXVI	Pat Cornell (California) Vivian Herder (Maryland) Doris Stone (Louisiana)		22 Billfish
XXVII	Vickie Robinson (California) Shirley Wiginton (Louisiana) Mildred Dorsey (California)	200 points 100 points 100 points	
XXVIII	Mrs. James C. Nelson	100 points	1 Billfish
XXIX	Mrs. E. W. Lochrie (California) Vi Stever (California) Mrs. Louise Wiginton (Louisiana)		14 Billfish

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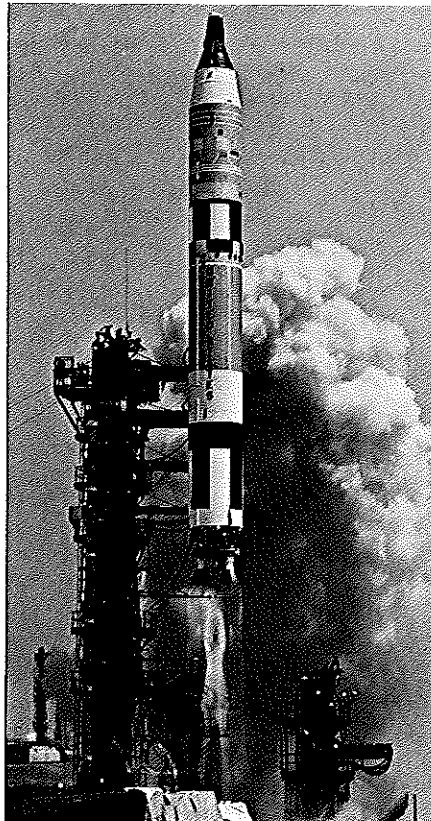
NO.		POINTS	TOTAL FISH
XXX	Vivian Herder (Maryland) Agnes Muller (New Jersey) Vickie Robinson (California)	600 points 250 points	30 Billfish
XXXI	Elena de Martinez (Venezuela) Ana Maria Bellini (Venezuela) Sandy Kaupe (Florida)	400 points 300 points 200 points	20 Billfish
XXXII	Ruth Moore (California) JoAnn Johnson (California) Doris Hillman (California)	200 points 200 points 100 points	8 Billfish
XXXIII	Ana Maria Bellini (Venezuela) Betty Marsch (Baja, California) Marge Ashby (California)	500 points 300 points 300 points	42 Billfish
XXXIV	Mercedes Cuenca (Venezuela) Elena de Martinez (Venezuela) Paula Wright	600 points 500 points 400 points	71 Billfish (2-days)
XXXV	Gloria Okuda (California) Suzanne Moulton (California)	200 points 100 points	3 Billfish
XXXVI	Marcela Garcia (Venezuela) Alicia de Aguilera (Venezuela) Doris Hillman (California)	200 points 200 points 100 points	8 Billfish
XXXVII	Susan Moulton (California) Pam Dempsey (California) Marge Bracken (California)	300 points 200 points 200 points	15 Billfish
XXXVIII	Adalia Garcia (Venezuela) Vivian Herder (Maryland) Puchero de Castillo (Venezuela)	300 points 300 points 200 points	36 Billfish
XXXIX	Katia Redig (Brasil) Lea Nobre (Brasil)		22 Billfish
XL	Marisela Perdomo (Venezuela) Beth Simmington (California) Mary Ann Peach (California)	300 points 300 points 200 points	22 Billfish
XLI	Marcela Garcia (Venezuela) Teresa Mayorca (Venezuela) June Homrighausen (California)	200 points 200 points 100 points	10 Salls
XLII	Beatriz Jurado (Venezuela) Elena de Martinez Puchero de Castillo	700 points 600 points 500 points	76 Billfish
XLIII	Pat Westcott (Massachusetts) Dorie Zuckerman (California)	100 points 100 points	2 Billfish
XLIV	June Homrighausen (California)	300 points	11 Billfish
XLV			14 Billfish
XLVI	Sheila de Brito (Venezuela) Pat Westcott (Massachusetts)		7 Salls
XLVII	Sheila de Brito (Venezuela) Princess Pellerano (Sto. Domingo) Charo Armenteros (Sto. Domingo)	300 points 100 points 100 points	?
XLVIII	Alde Infanzon (Puerto Rico) Sue Pardo Titi Hernandez Sharon Torruella Cecilliana Suarez (Puerto Rico)	150 points 100 points 100 points 100 points 100 points	7 Blue Marlin
XLIX	Marla Gabriela Garcia (Venezuela) Sheila de Brito (Venezuela) Marisela Mayorca (Venezuela)	400 points 200 points 100 points	18 Billfish
L	Tish Locker (Florida) Marge Bracken (California) Sonia Fitzgerald (Mexico)	400 points 400 points 300 points	17 Salls

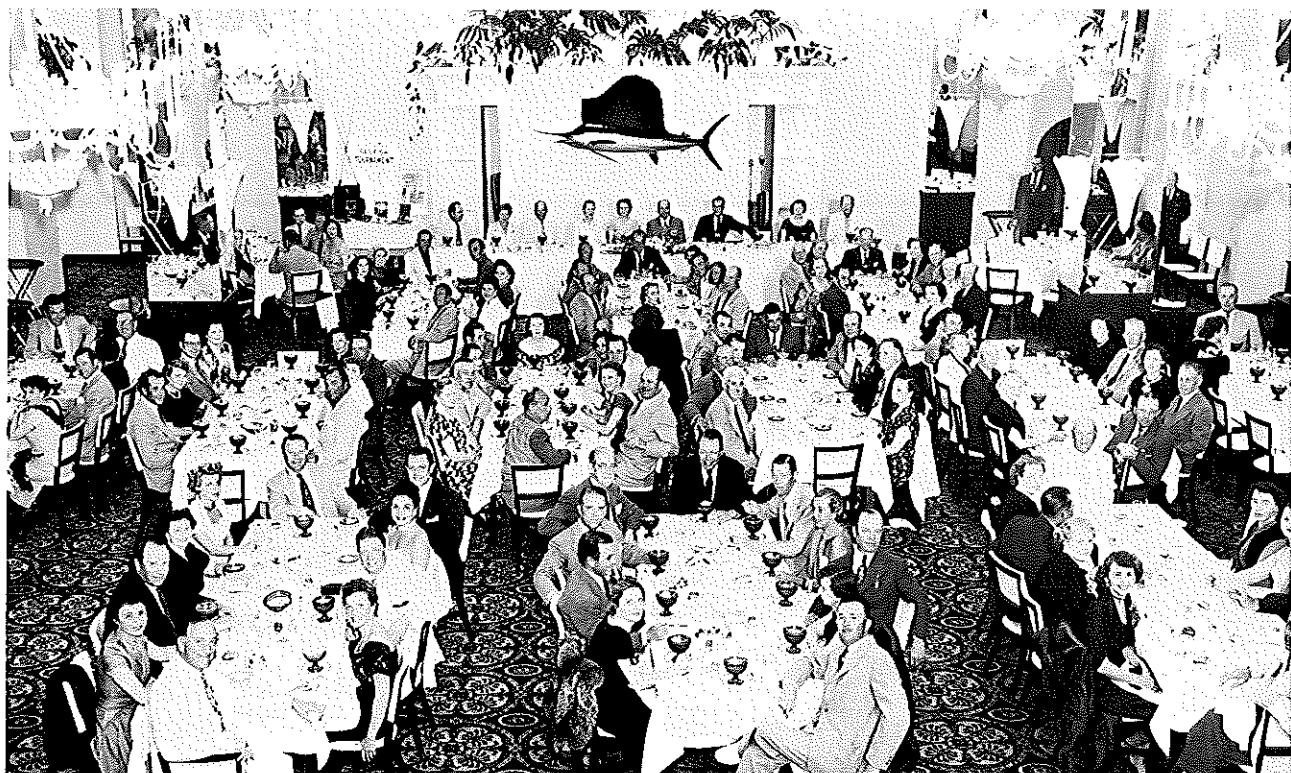
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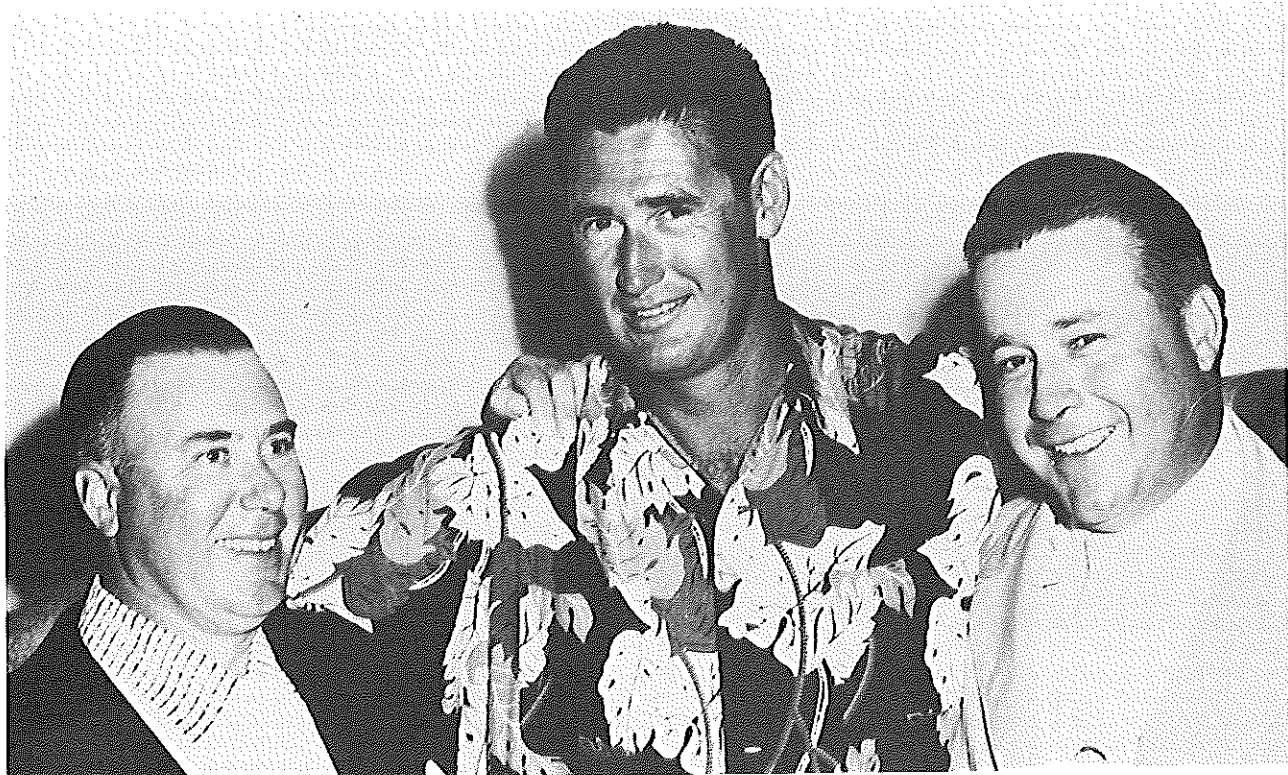


6th Tournament at Palm Beach — 1951

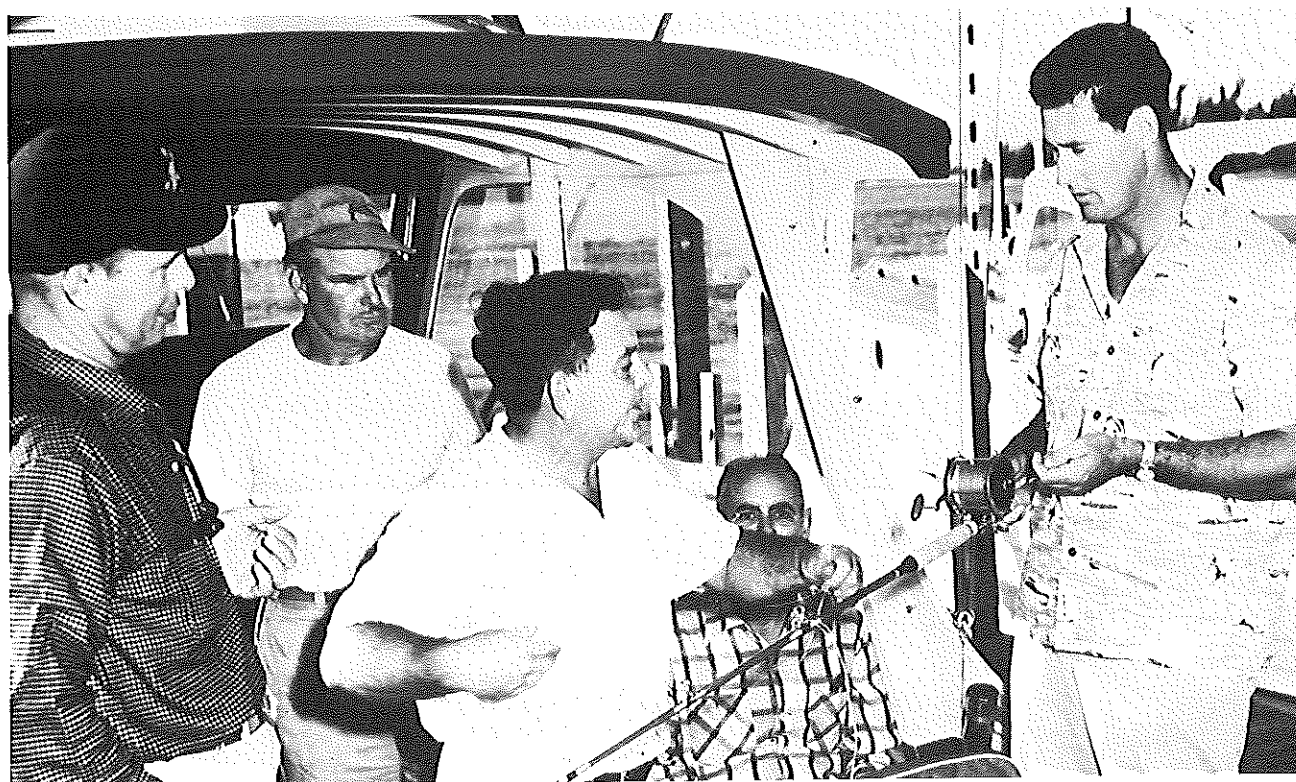
Over-all look at the banquet for the 6th Tournament. James O'Donnell (lower center right) who was very important in developing years and drawing up our By-Laws. This was the first ILTT held in the Palm Beaches.



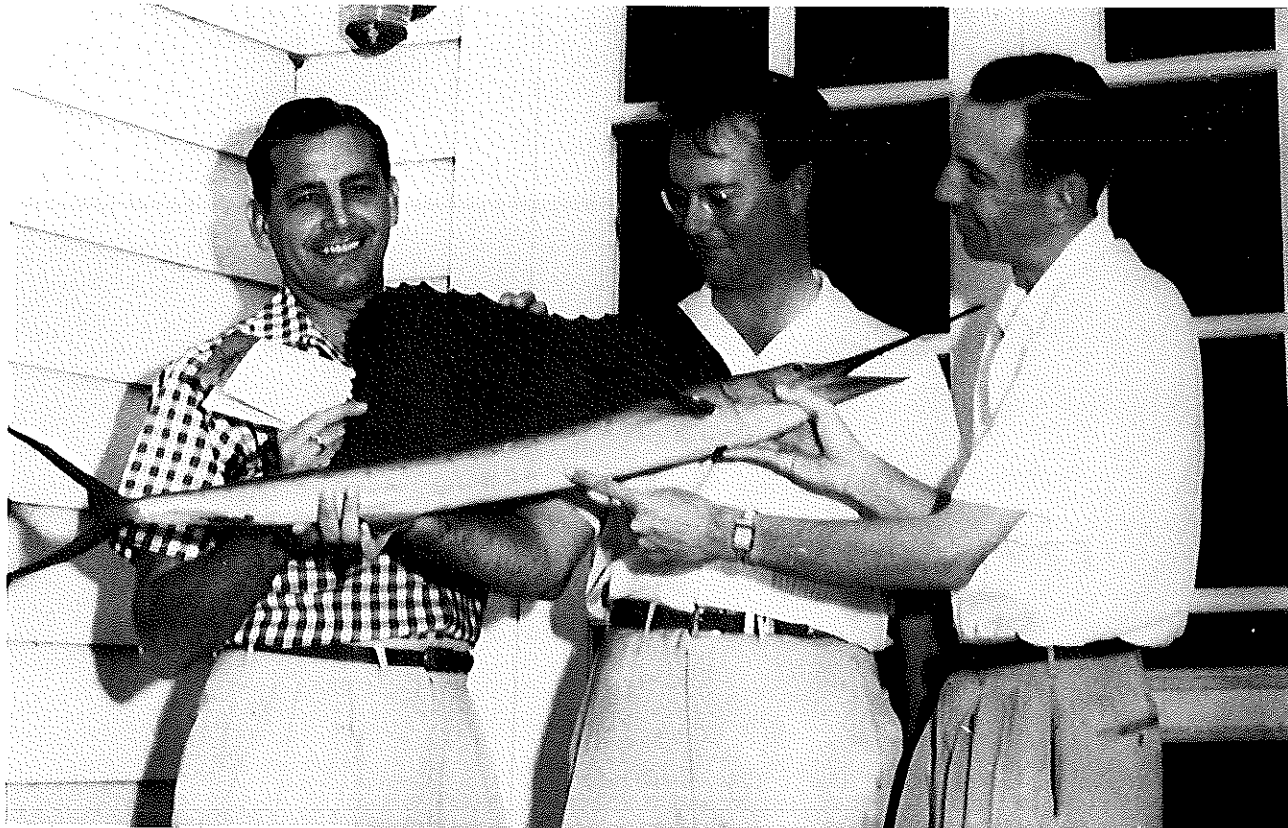
In the early years, there was more formality at tournament banquets. Seated left to right — Dr. Dean, Dita Dean, Francesca LaMont (Secretary to IGFA), James Owens (Mayor of Palm Beach), Edlith Johnson, Charles Johnson, Bounce Anderson, Mrs. Anderson, Tom Keating (Mayor of West Palm Beach) and Mrs. Keating. The Johnsons who contributed much to Palm Beach Tournament entertained lavishly and often and many courtesies to visitors, plus various quien sables??



9th Tournament — Palm Beach 1953
Left to right: Dave Denholm, Ted Williams and Gar Wood, Jr.



Ted Williams getting help with tackle.



9th Tournament — 1953
Left to right: A.J. (Tony) DeLess, PAB Widener III (Pete) and ??



Thomas Shevlin, John Rybovich, Jr. and MF "Buck" Baugher



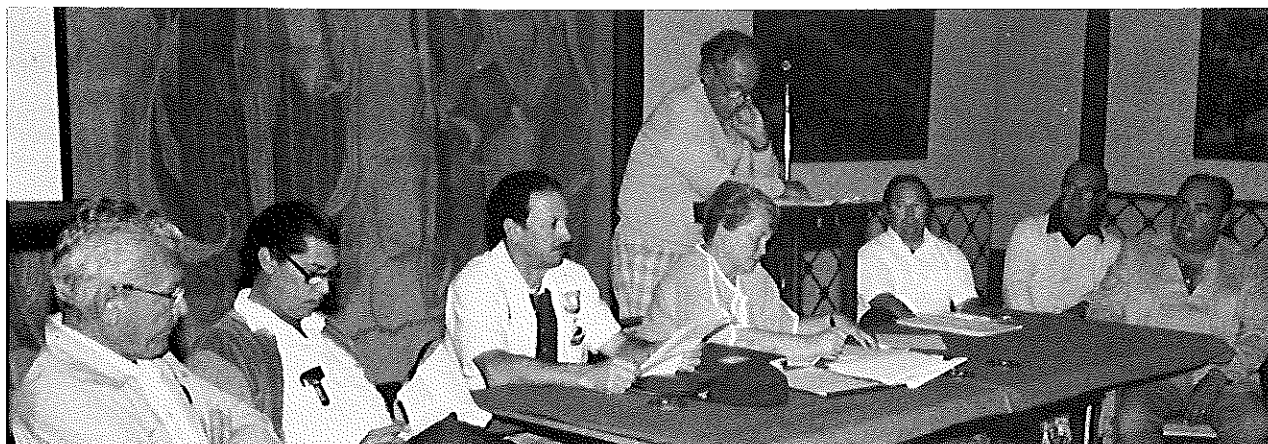
9th Tournament — 1953

Left to right: Pacific Anglers (of California) team of Cy Welch, Bill DeLamar, Dave Denholm and Bill Stone



18th Tournament — 1962 at Duck Key

This is a fair picture of Gar Wood (standing) of Miami, and Jel Larson of Washington, D.C. Gar was a very important man in the beginning years also. It was Gar who brought us the news of the fabulous fishing in Venezuela



40th Tournament — Palm Beach — 1981

Board Meeting — left to right: John Rybovich, Al Roig, Jr., Jack Caldwell, Sam Evert, Helen Smith, Dick Hinkle, Bob Herder and Salomon Kaluf.

VENEZUELA



TOURNAMENTS HELD IN VENEZUELA

XXIX — 1970 — Macuto
XXXI — 1972 — Macuto
XXXIV — 1975 — Macuto
XXXIII — 1978 — LaGualra
XLII — 1982 — LaGualra
XLIV — 1985 — Puerto Azul
XLIX — 1989 — LaGualra

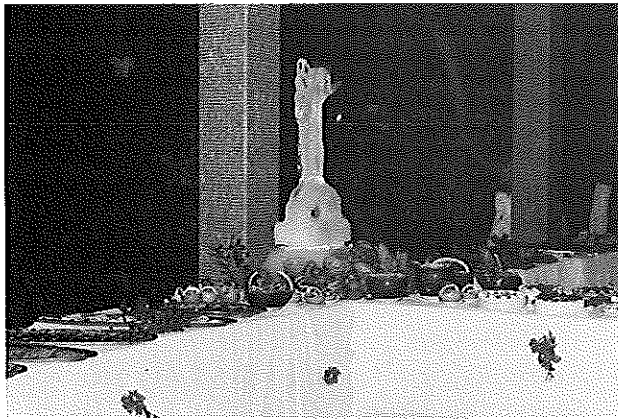


45th Tournament — Puerto Azul — 1985
Off to a good Start!

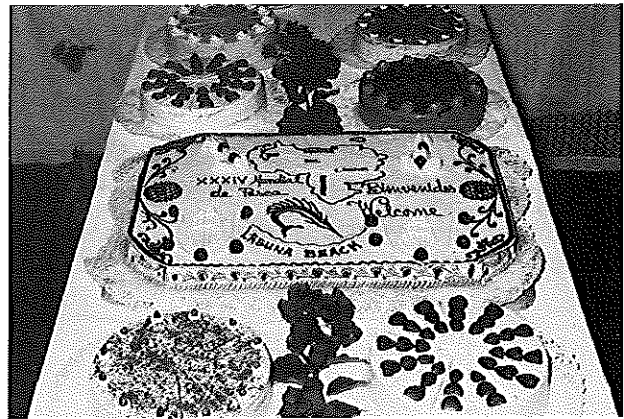


Charlie Johnson (Tuna Club — Calif.) hooks up early

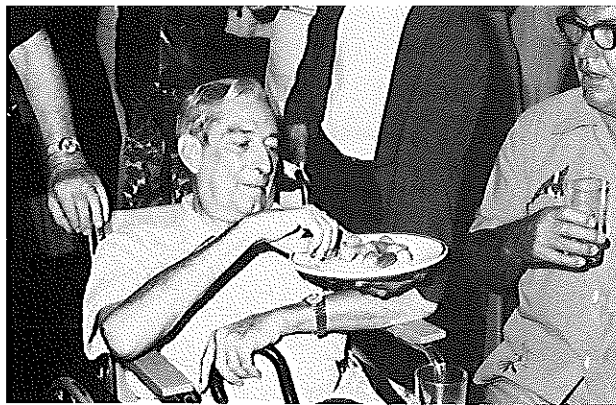
34th Tournament — Laguna Beach Club at LaGuaira



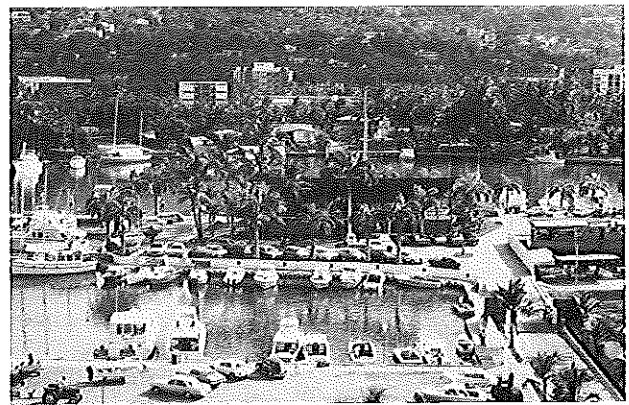
Hors d' Oeuvres table



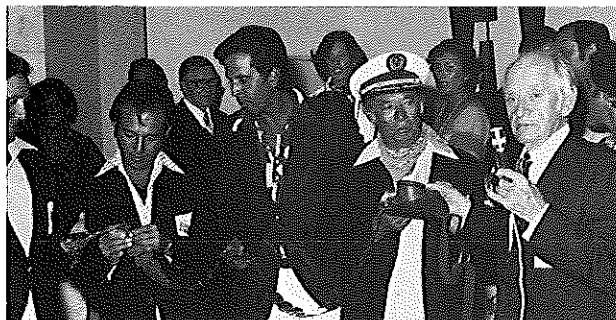
Dessert table



Otis Beasley (In wheel chair)

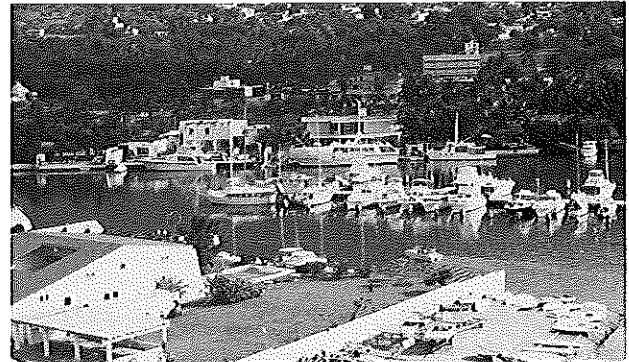


Overlooking Caraballeda Yacht Club



Big Belt Winners

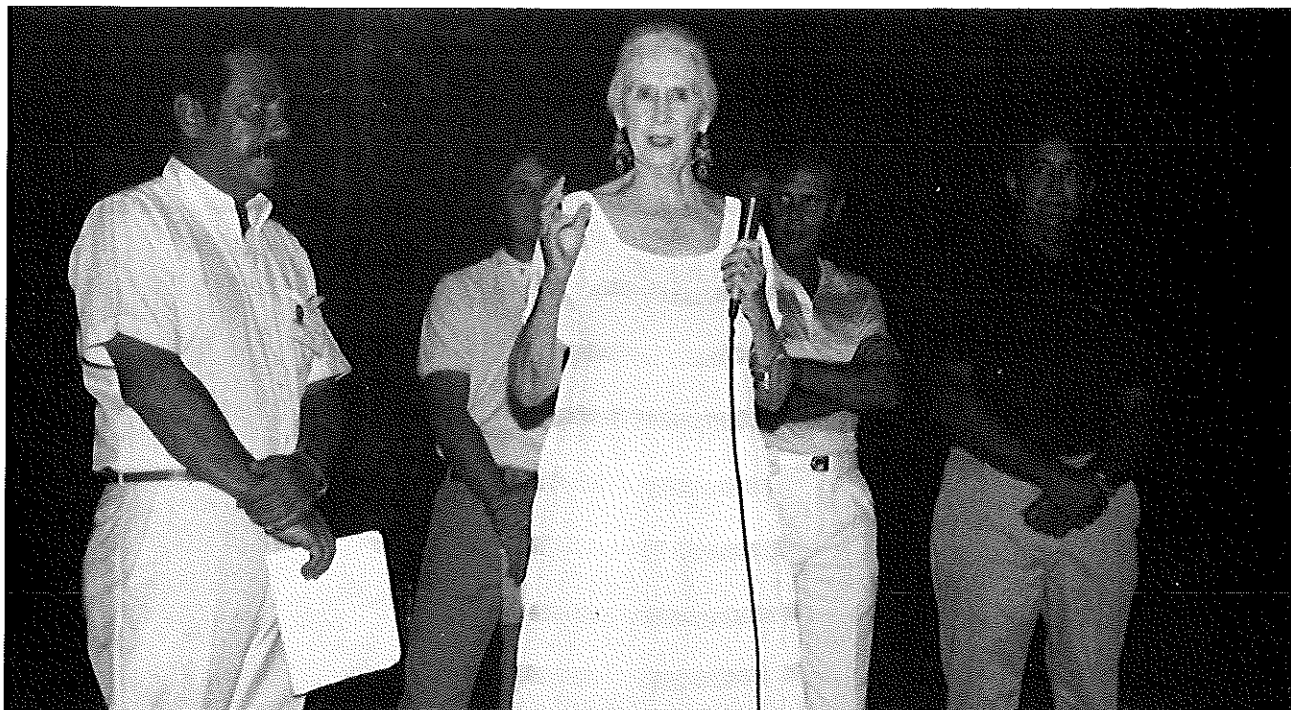
left to right: Gildo Bellini, Ronald Morris, Aquiles Garcia of Laguna Beach Club — ?? and Dr. Dean



Overlooking harbor at LaGuaira

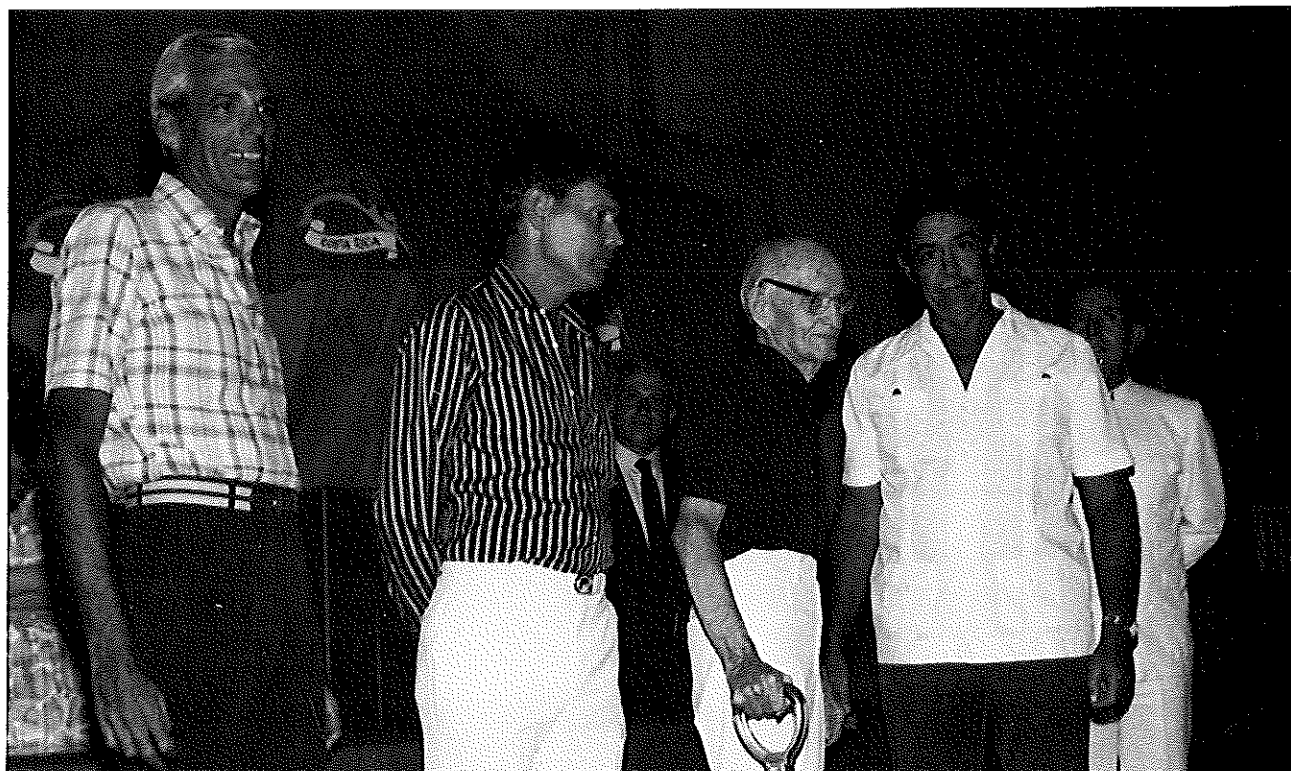


Net Control — Pepe



45th Tournament — Club Puerto Azul — 1985

The Deans attended the Forty-fifth as guests of Honor and, after receiving from Jose de Alba, the lovely plaque, Dita thanked the organization for their many courtesies and made her famous quote: "Para mi esposo, es preferible hacer un amigo than pescar un animal." "I would rather make a friend than catch a fish."



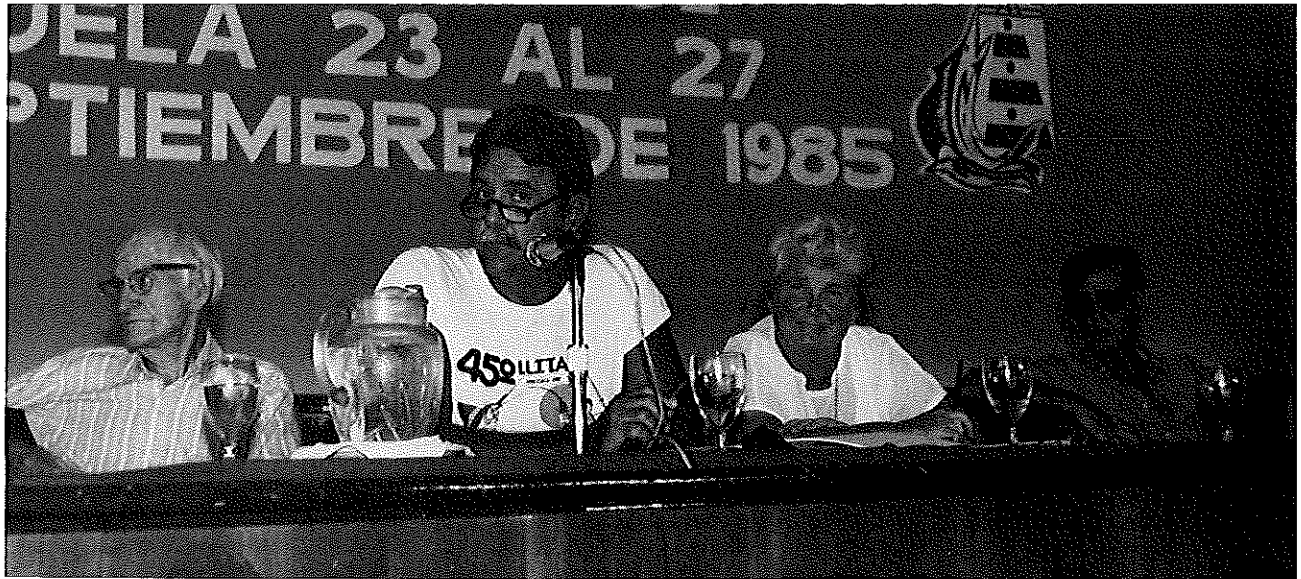
Left to right: Bruno Rodriguez, Jose Alba, Dr. Dean and Jose Castillo



22nd Tournament — Caraballeda Yacht Club, LaGualra — 1965
 left to right: Capt. Pedro Castillo Pena, Carlos Joaquin Perez, Gildo Bellini with Tournament President J. Adalberto Roig, Sr., and Dr. Roy Dean



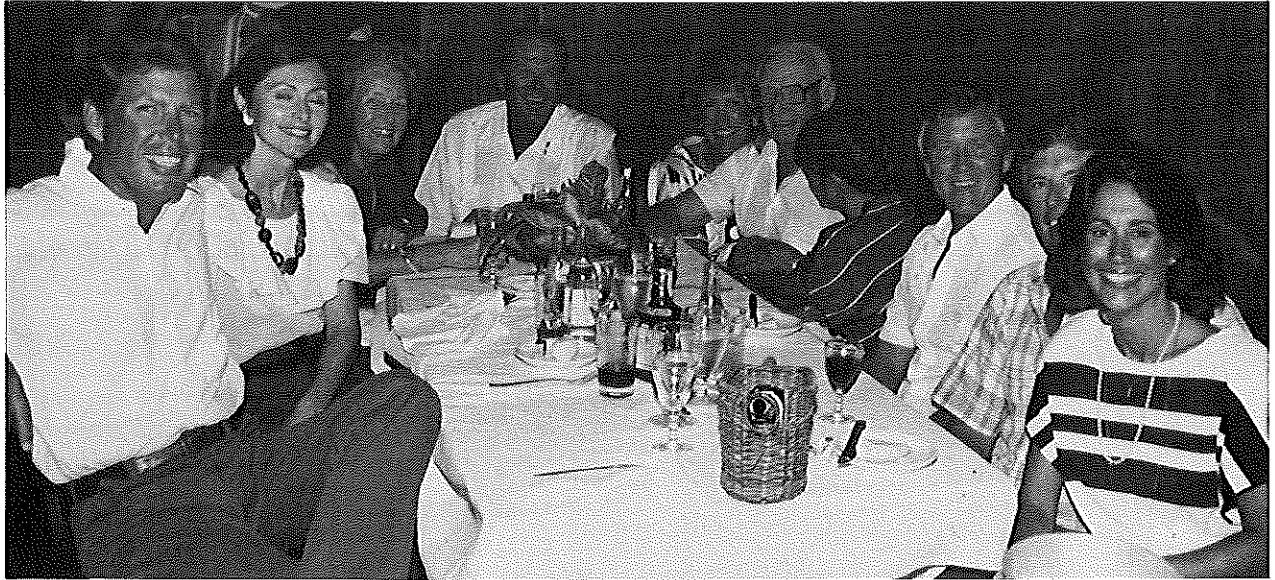
31st Tournament — Caraballeda Yacht Club, LaGualra — 1972
 left to right: John Haines, Dr. Ruben Jaen, Dr. Caesar Acosta, Freddy Benarroch and Chairman Manuel Matos.



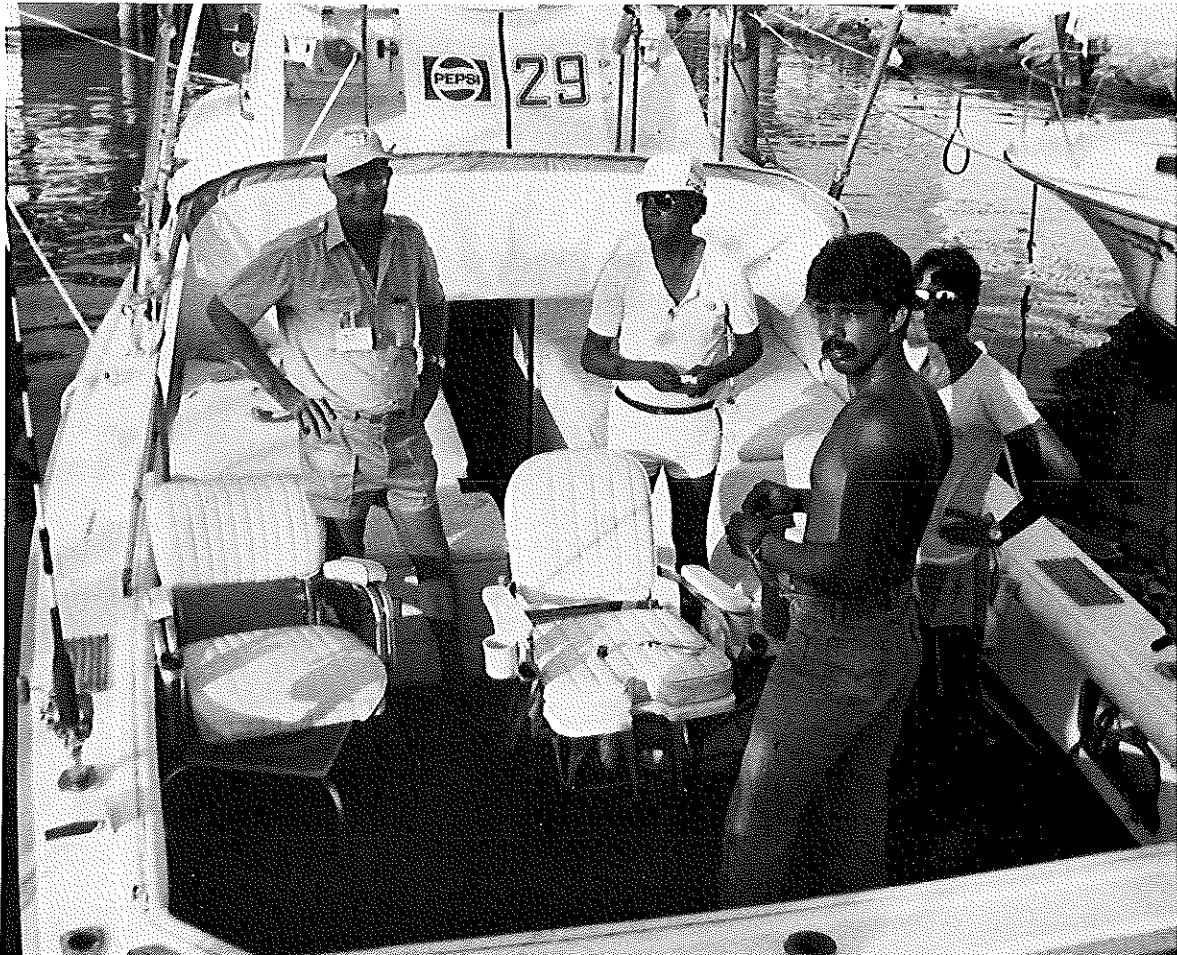
45th Tournament — Board Meeting
left to right: Dr. Dean, Jose Castillo, Helen Smith, and Jose Alba



"One in the air"



Southern California teams
 left to right: Dave and Nicole Denholm, Virginia Wright, John and Wynn Griffith, Hugh Wright, Kathy and
 Charlie John, and Sam and Susie Hill



Lynn Gavit from Port Aransas ready for a day's fishing.

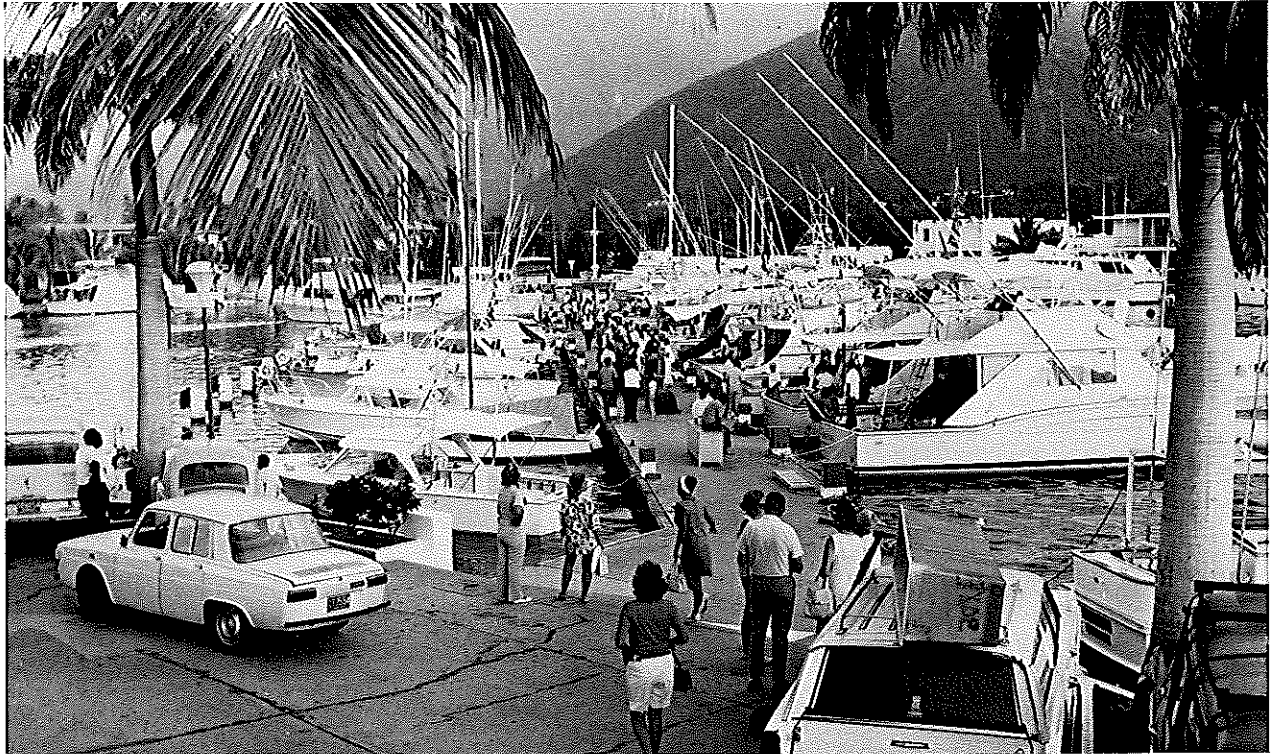


34th Tournament — General Meeting — 1975

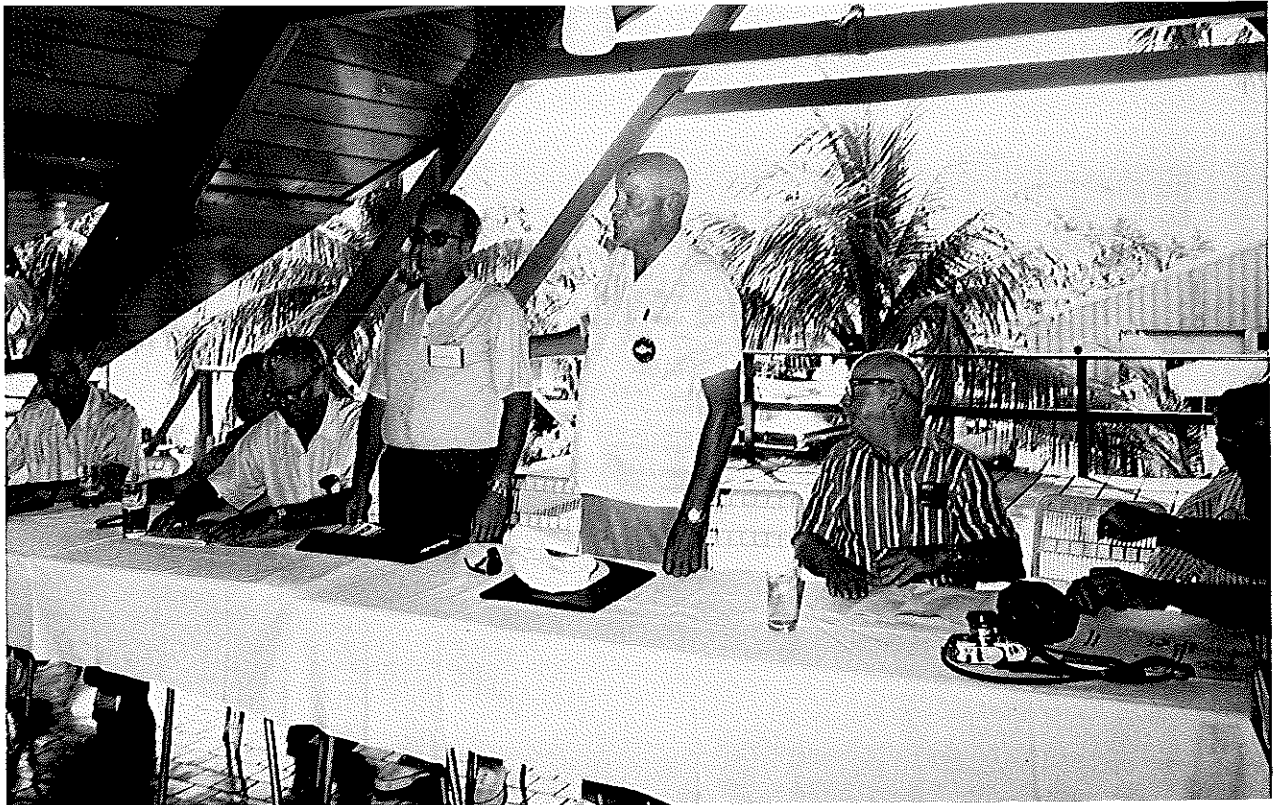


34th Board Meeting

Left to right: Al Roig, Sr., Ken Sperry, Jim O'Donnell, ??, Otis Beasley, Felix McGinnis, Manual Matos, Frank Mather, Cotton Lloyd and Stan Weiss.



31st Tournament — Carabelle Yacht Club — 1972



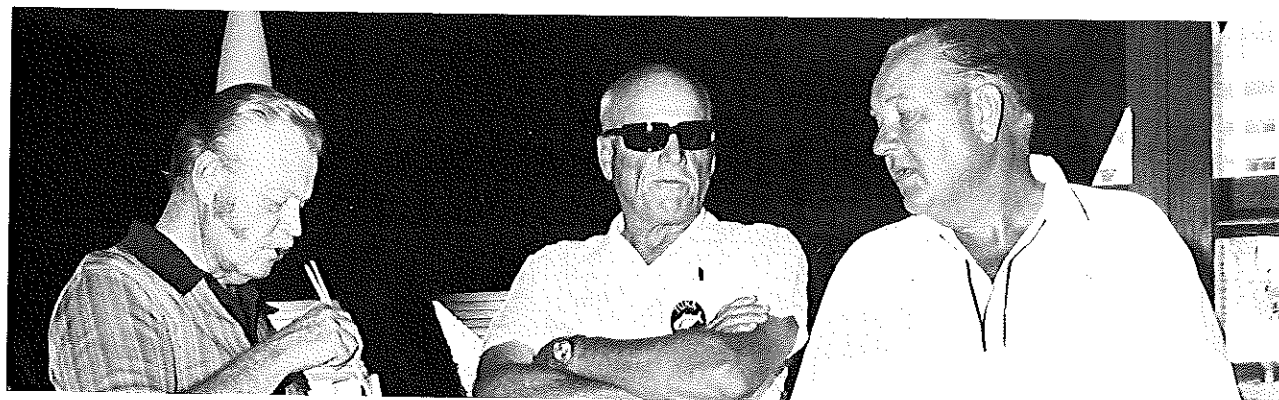
Board Meeting — left to right: Bob Herder, Jim O'Donnell, Stan Weiss, Manual Matos, Felix McGinnis, Cotton Lloyd, Al Roig, Sr.



Luncheon at downtown Caracas — 1972



Overlooking Caracas



3 Southern California Anglers
Dr. Vince Gorrilla, Felix McGinnis and Bill McGee

EXCERPTS FROM THE BULLETIN

(Published and written by our Bait Cutter — Dr. Roy B. Dean)

"During the recent twenty-first International Light Tackle Tournament at Acapulco, the Board of Directors, in solemn and sober session, decided a tournament report should be sent to anglers who had participated in previous competitions. It was also decided to inform you of future plans such as the Twenty-second in September, 1965, at which we will fish for White marlin off Venezuela and the Twenty-third, now planned for the Cabo San Lucas area, south of LaPaz, in Lower California."

So, on January, 1965 — Volume I, No. 1 was sent out by the Bait Cutter . . . Dr. Roy B. Dean.

In this same bulletin, another paragraph:

"We have gone a long way from the first tournament, held in Acapulco in 1946. At that time Tucker McClure of Panama (deceased), Dr. George Chuck of Long Beach, California (deceased), John Sutcliffe (deceased), and Dr. Roy Dean of Mexico decided it was high time to pool knowledge of sailfishing and encourage the use of lighter lines. The idea caught on and that same year we held another tournament in Acapulco, to which we invited certain clubs interested in our kind of fishing and affiliated with the International Game Fish Association. We had our third tournament at Rey Island, in the Perlas Group off Panama. The fourth was in Florida and sponsored by the Rod and Reel Club of Miami. That one really set us up. In Southern California, the Tuna Club of Avalon had already created interest amongst the splendid and knowing groups up there, and now many more of the finest anglers on the east coast became interested in our efforts."

From Vol. I — No. 2 — August 1965

"Some of the finest and most skilled anglers in the Western Hemisphere have competed in our tournaments. While we have expected clubs to send their best talent, that has not always been possible. We make no claims to world championships of any kind, whether for the individual angler prize, or for team competition. As far as this writer's opinion is concerned, the world champion angler is only the figment of a novice's imagination and reeks of inexperience or promotion. Some seem to do better at one type of angling than others. A hell of a lot of us have had more luck than we deserve. However, there has been no one attending our meetings regularly who

has not improved on his fishing and often on his attitude about what goes to make up a really good saltwater fisherman and sportsman."

Vol. III — No. 2 — September 1968

"Plans had crystalized for the anticipated White Marlin fishing in Venezuela . . . Many anglers belonging to our fifty-five ILTA clubs were eagerly seeking places on teams being made up to go to the fabulous Caribbean billfishing resort.

But one never appreciates the force of nature until it kicks and the earthquakes that struck Caracas on July 29th brought lamentable death and destruction. These quakes extended to the coastal area, causing casualties and property damage there also, including the Macuto-Sheraton Hotel which was to be tournament headquarters.

So great was this shock and grief that at this time of national mourning the tournament was cancelled. Our sympathy goes to our unfortunate friends in Venezuela. (many lost condos and many lost family members . . . was dreadful). In this emergency, the Texas Game Fishing Club loyally advanced their date by one year, resulting in Acapulco being chosen for November 30."

From Vol. VI — No. 1 — July 1970

"Tagging of saltwater fish has made great strides since 1945 when this writer spark-plugged a program . . . later sponsored by the Sailfish and Tarpon Club of Mexico and the International Game Fish Association with tags furnished by Pan-American Airways. We used the Peterson discs with a pin bent to hold them in place in the soft tissue, a hands width in front of the dorsal fin. Our records show that more than fifteen hundred fish were tagged, but not one recovery. At least we got anglers and boatmen releasing their first fish, and I learned the true color of the sailfish's eye . . . to which this day the taxidermists do not seem to know. Nowadays, Frank Mather on the Atlantic and Horace Witherspoon on the Pacific have been doing excellent work with the new type of tags which most of our group are familiar."

From Vol. VII — No. 1 — July 1971

"For those interested, a copy of our history, with factual information, is available. Write the new secretary, Mrs.

Helen R. Smith, 2044 Federal Avenue, Costa Mesa, California 92627 — USA. She is taking Lee Jonas' place since he resigned because of illness. What a wonderful job Lee did for us! He and Mrs. Jonas were and will be missed by all who attend our tournaments."

Vol. VIII — No. 1 — April 1973

"The phenomenal growth of the International Light Tackle Tournament Association seems to have paralleled the Dow Jones spurt of January and February 1973. We have applications from salt water angling clubs in countries now acutely conscious of the thrills found in fishing for billfish on light tackle of twenty-pound test lines. New faces, new names and new places are good to tell about and know. We welcome aboard the daddy of all organized sailfish and marlin tournaments where *Sphyrna tiburo* is also counted."

Vol. VIII — No. 2 — August 1973

"The International Game Fish Association was eight years old when we held our first tournament in Acapulco, 1946. Michael Lerner was the principal founder and Miss Francesca LaMonte, associate curator of fishes in the American Museum of Natural History, was the very efficient secretary. One of the reasons we insisted being, or becoming members of the IGFA, was to assist in getting the record-keeping organization better known.

The sport anglers of the world owe an eternal debt of gratitude to Mike Lerner and Panchita LaMonte for showing us a better way of fishing with hard, fast rules for registering our catches."

Vol. IX — No. 1 — April 1974

"Your Bait Cutter editor has wondered at times if The Bulletin might be wasted effort, but so many complimentary messages dispell such conjectures. Needless to say, they are appreciated. In fact, with this issue, The Bulletin is being printed in both English and Spanish for the benefit of our appreciated Latin-American members."

Vol. XI — No. 1 — April 1976

"At the XXXIV ILTA meeting, Dr. Roy B. Dean was made representative-at-large, or Director Emeritus. He has been on the Board of Directors since the inception of the organization and wishes to thank the membership for this recognition and express his appreciation for the evidence of good will toward him!"

Vol. XII — No. 1 — April 1977

"The wonderful hospitality and entertainment at Rio has resulted in a special report by my wife, Dita Lous Dean. With a fishing score of six world records for women, she knows her way around saltwater angling. Because she has attended more ILTA tournaments than other wives, she should be an authority on the hospitality extended our members over these many years."

"As I "harken back" it seemed little had been said of entertainment in The Bulletin, and this seemed the appropriate time to go down Memory Lane recalling the hospitality shown us as we visited the various fishing areas of the Western Hemisphere.

During the time The Bait Cutter edited The Bulletin, he received from ten to fifteen letters after each publication. To our great surprise, this Bulletin, Vol. XII — No. 1, brought us something like forty letters, evidence that the efforts of those of us who had extended hospitality had been appreciated, and remembered."

Vol. XV — No. 1 — December 1980

Then there came a time when we read in The Bulletin:

"Although I shall remain on the Board of Directors, this is my farewell to you as Bait Cutter of The Bulletin of the ILTA. I can no longer attend enough tournaments to keep abreast of current happenings and changes in sentiment and outlooks for our wonderful organization — made up of some of the greatest sportsmen I have known and friends I cherish. Fond memories remain with me of many wonderful anglers I associated with on deep sea fishing trips and around the festive tables. They lived and advocated good sportsmanship. This is the keynote of our success in competing in Pacific and Atlantic waters for the thrilling billfish we love to catch — then release. Thank you for fond memories. Adios.

Dr. Roy B. Dean"

Then going on through the album the Roy B. Dean Tournament should be noted.

Vol. XV — No. 1

"It was with great sadness that the Board of Directors and the membership at large were informed by Dr. Roy Dean that he would no longer be editing this Bulletin, nor participating in the affairs of the Association to the degree that he has in the past. Our

most honored member is retiring to Wichita Falls, Texas — but will remain as Director Emeritus!"

— Director Michael Moulton, M.D.

"Also discussed was the updating of the By-Laws (Sam Evert has already started this). Further discussion took up the matter of monies in the treasury. Suggestions were made of setting some type of Marine Scholarship ..."

This completes the excerpts from The Bulletins as noted by Dita Dean. Our thanks for a wonderful historical outlook on the ILTTA. Dita is looking for some missing Bulletins that can be inserted in the album she is making, i.e.:

Vol. II, No. 1 — Vol. III, No. 1 — Vol. IV, No. 1 & 2
— Vol. V, No. 1 & 2

Also missing are No. 2 Issues of Vol. VII, X and XIV. It would be nice if others had information ... pictures, clippings to insert to complete this album.

Further excerpts from 1980 - 1990

Vol. XVII — January 1983

This 42nd Tournament held in LaGualra, Venezuela topped all previous catches in any of the places we have held tournaments. 911 fish were caught and released, plus 78 fish on Ladies day, making a total of 989 fish. To see the boats returning to port with flags flying all the way down both outriggers was a sight to behold. Anglers reported that fish were in schools (like live bait) ... In all their years of fishing, they had never seen so many billfish in one place.

Vol. XIX — June 1984

Dominican Republic hosted its first ILTT at Club Med. Although it was an hour's drive to the beach where anglers picked up their boats, it was enjoyable and interesting along the way. Listening to the many fish stories kept everyone in high spirits. This was the first tournament to fish 4 days instead of the usual 3. The fact that everyone came from such a distance, it was pushing things to have only three days of fishing for everyone, thus the extra day. No one objected.

Vol. XXII — May 1987

The list of places where we have held the ILTT is getting longer. Not only have we held them in Acapulco, Palm Beach, (Florida), Mazatlan, Panama, Miami, Ocean City (Maryland), Duck Key (Florida), but Baja

Calif., LaGualra (Venezuela), Dominican Republic, Puerto Rico, San Diego (California), and Brazil are now added to the early list. Several of these places have held the tournament more than once or twice.

The ILTTA now has a total of 63 Clubs representing:

Brazil, Venezuela, Dominican Republic, Curacao, United States, Mexico, Baja California, Costa Rica, Guatemala, So. Africa, Puerto Rico, Aruba and U.S. Virgin Islands.

SPECIAL NOTES:

In 1984, 1985 and 1988, ILTTA gave a total of \$25,000 to the Rosenstiel School of Marine and Atmospheric Science at the University of Miami to be used for furthering the education in Marine Science of worthy students.

The ILTTA continues to donate each year to the following:

\$200. to Woods Hole Oceanographic Institute
\$200. to International Game Fish Association
\$200. to National Coalition for Marine Conservation
\$100. to International Oceanographic Institute

In the year of Mexico's big earthquake a few years back, ILTTA donated \$5,000 to be used for emergency purposes.

CABO SAN LUCAS



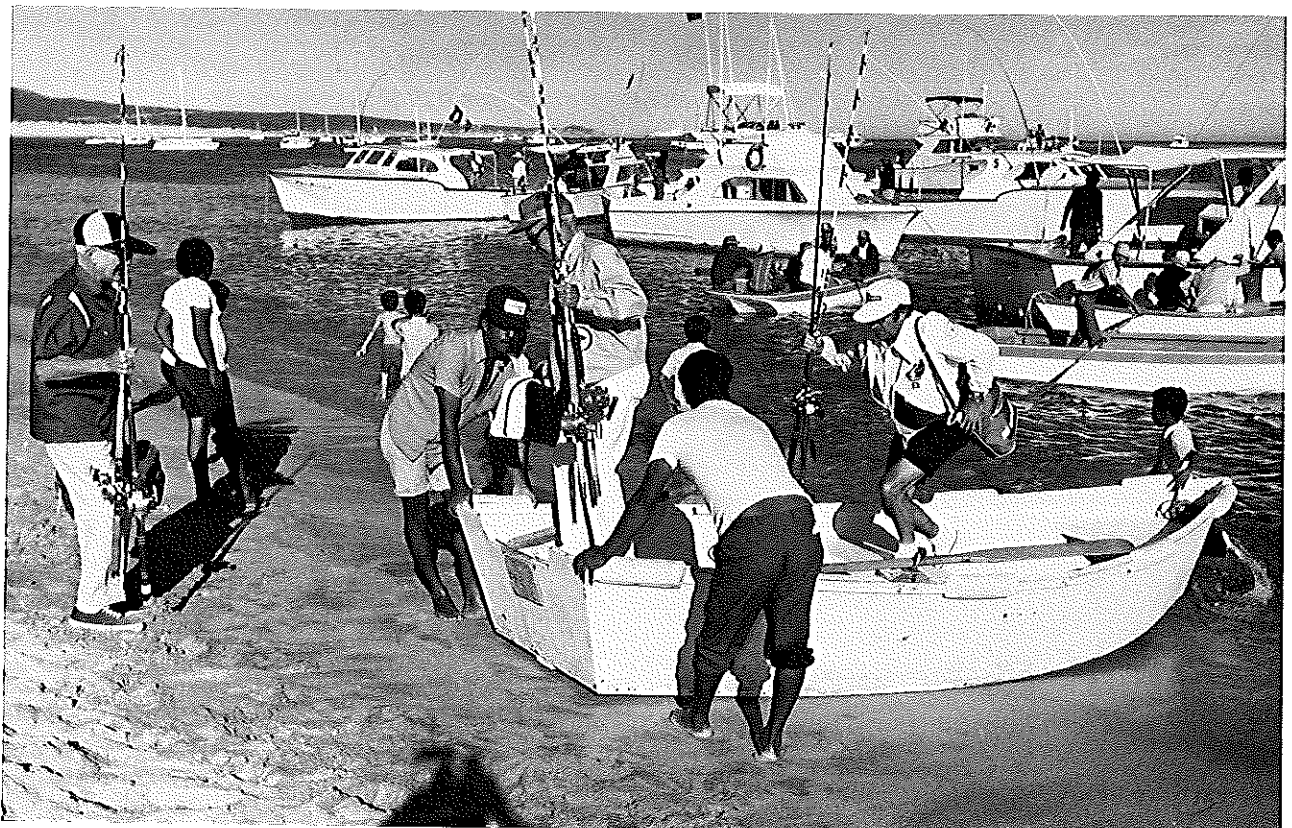
TOURNAMENTS HELD IN CABO SAN LUCAS, BAJA CALIFORNIA, SUR MEXICO

XXIII	—	1966
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XXX	—	1971
XXXII	—	1974
XXXVI	—	1977
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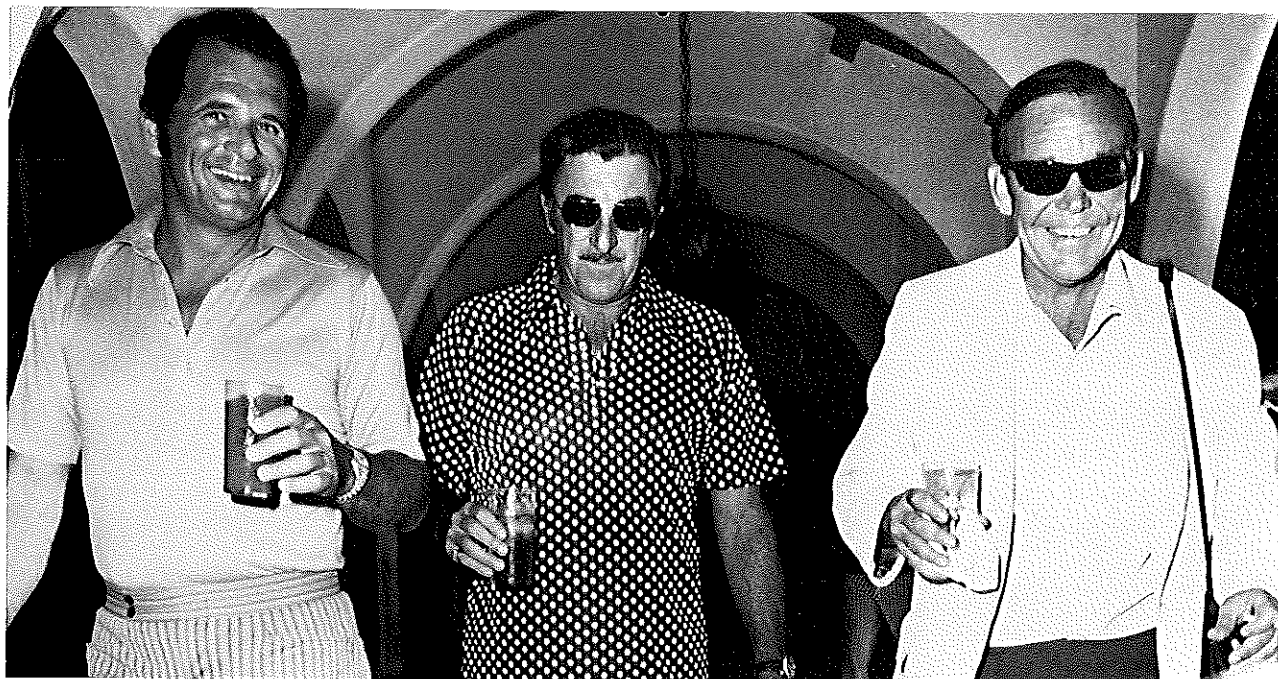




30th Tournament — 1971 — Palmilla
Getting ready to be ferried to their respective boats



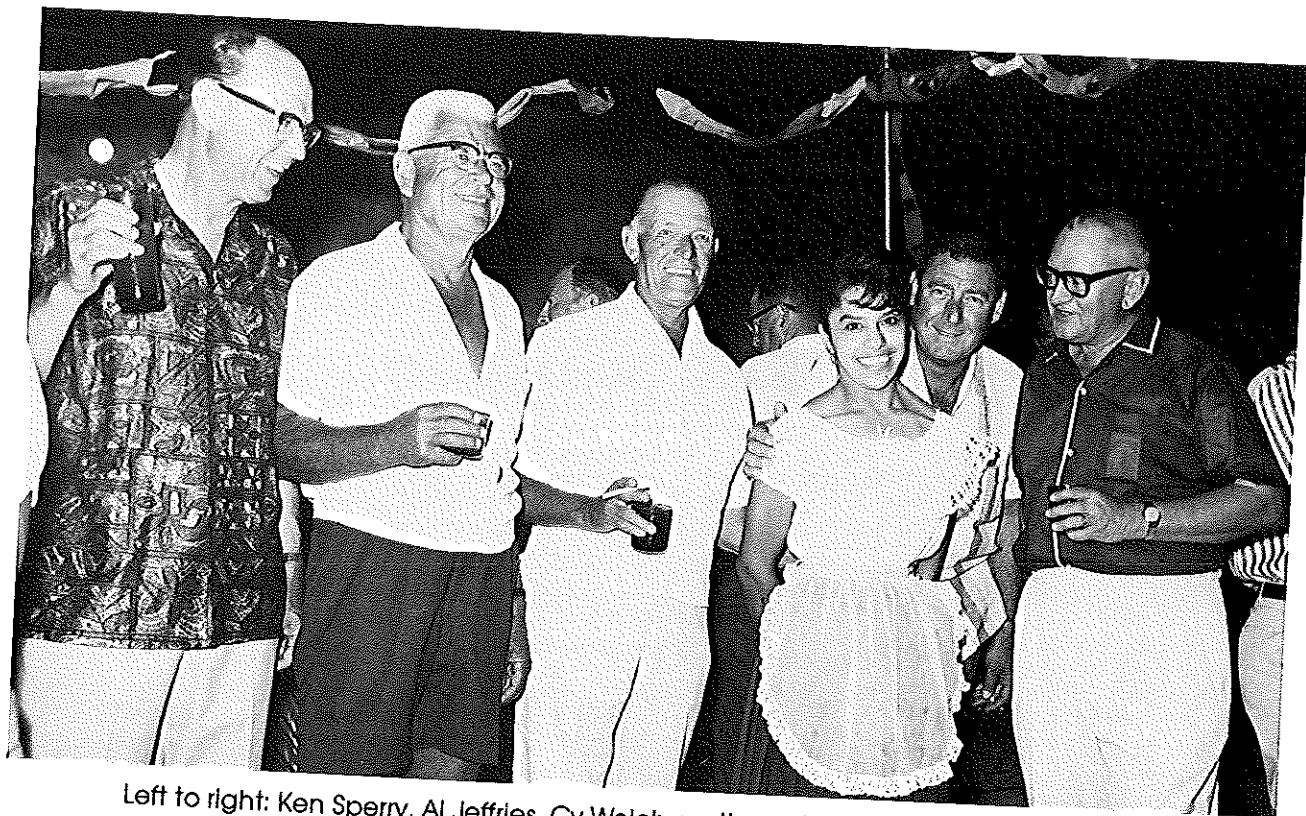
Returning home after a day's fishing



26th Tournament — 1968 — Palmilla
 Left to right: ??, Howard Ashby, Dave Halliburton



Left to right: Gordy Wevill, ??, ??



Left to right: Ken Sperry, Al Jeffries, Cy Welch, waitress, Gordy Wevill and Ward Jewell



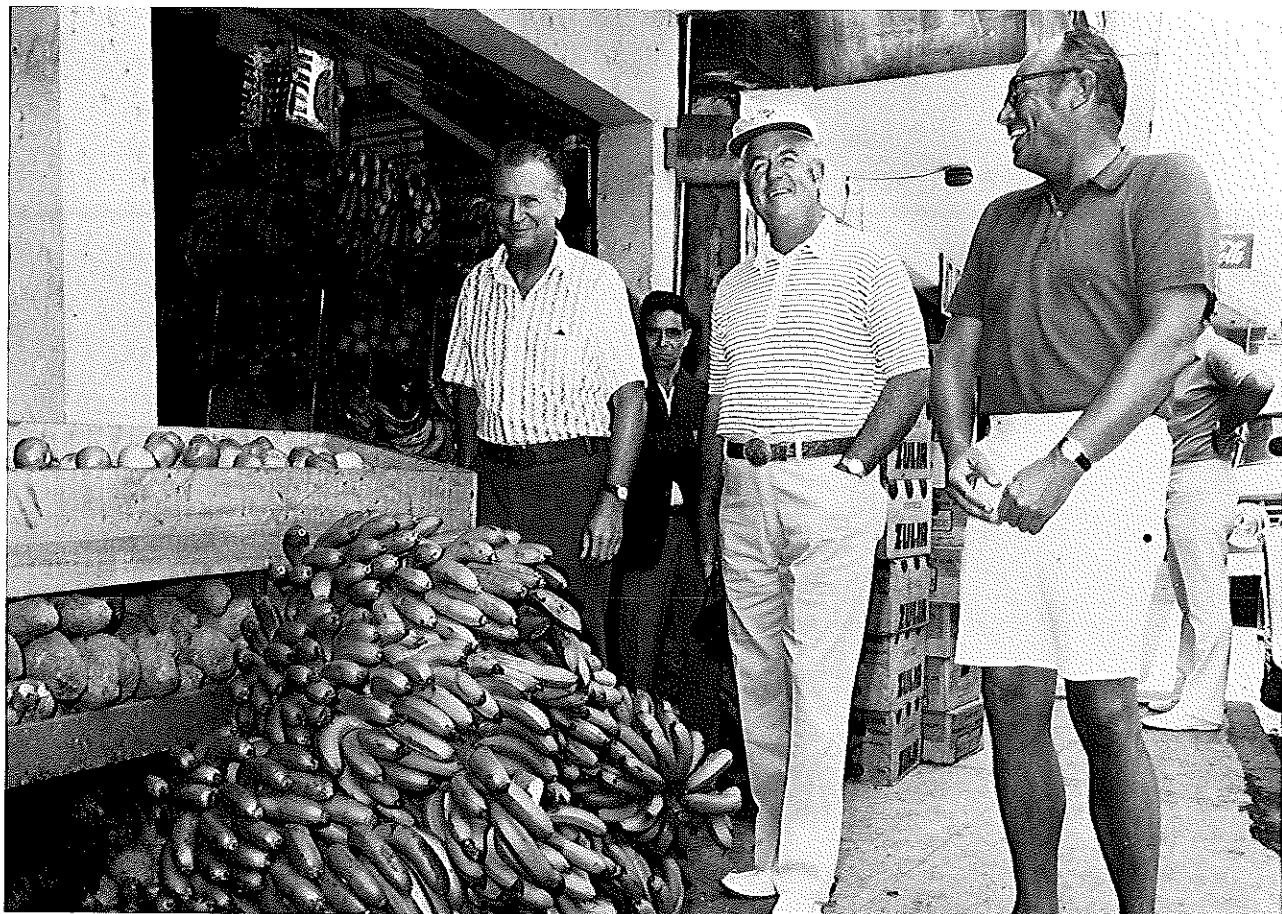
Anglers at ready! Howard Ashby, Troy Miller and Al Butterworth



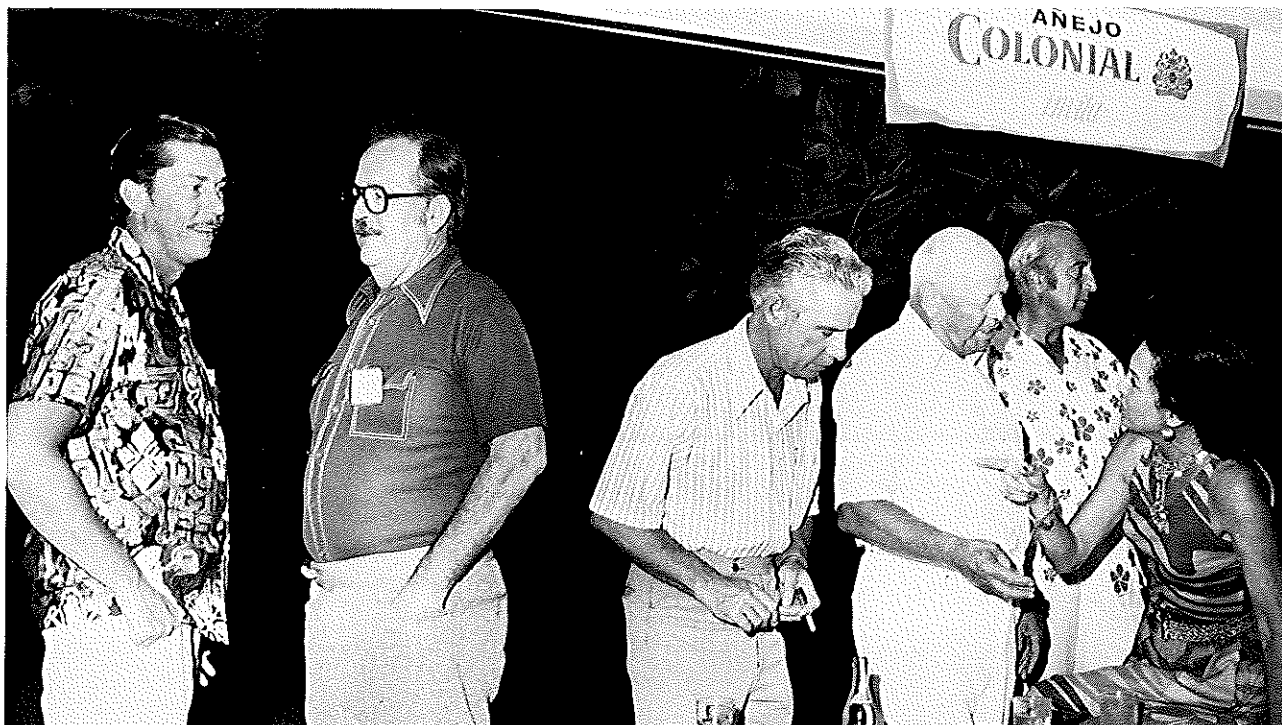
Beach Party for all



Fun and Games



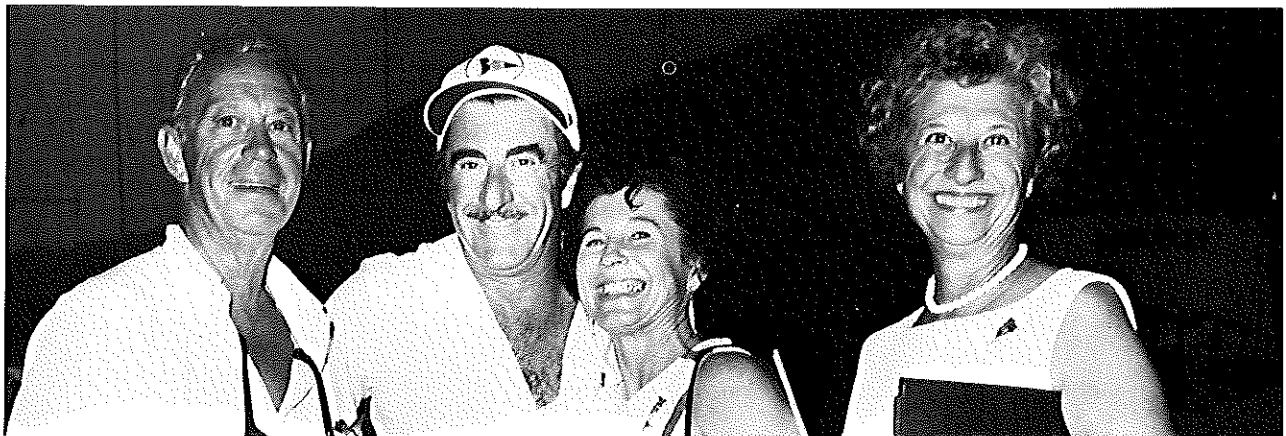
Shopping on day off



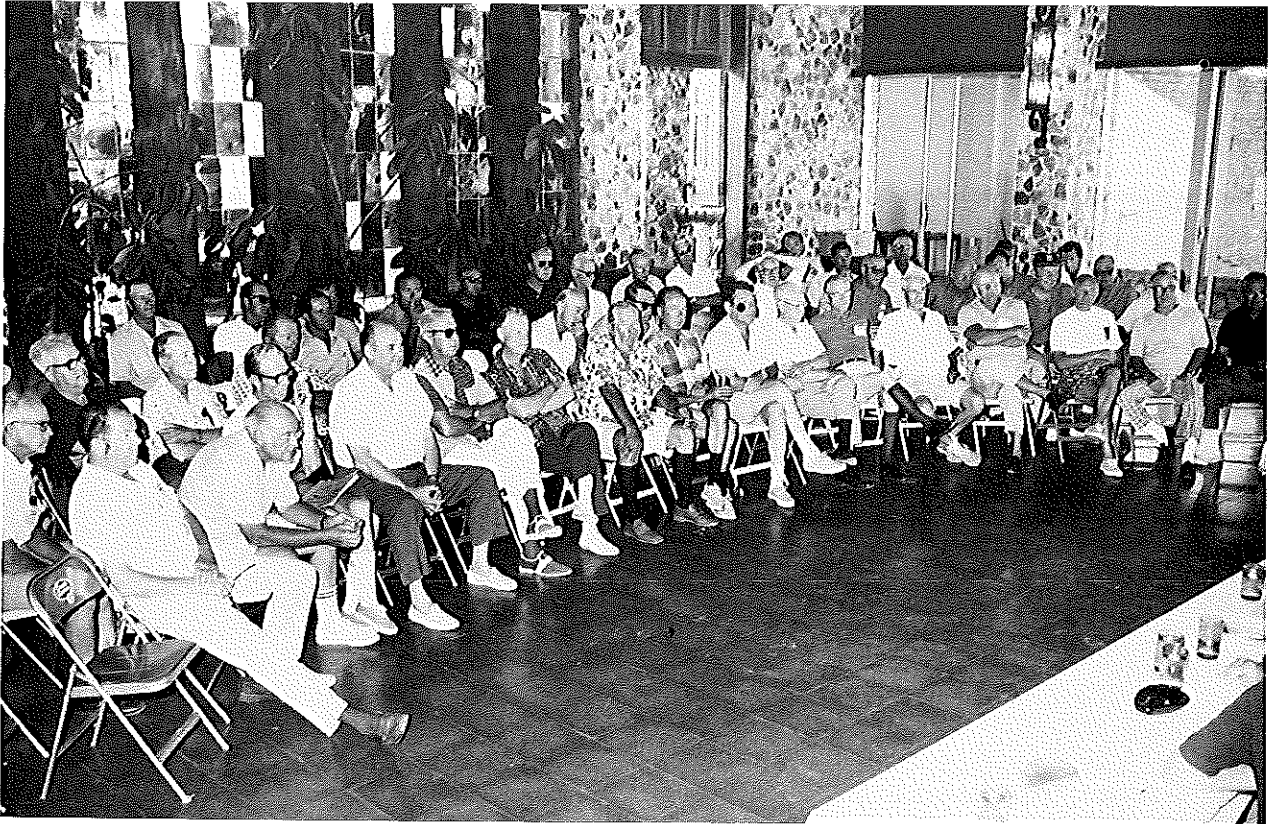
Afternoon refreshments
left to right: Al Rolg, Jr., Virgil Payne, ??, Cotton Lloyd, Mildred Dorsey, ??



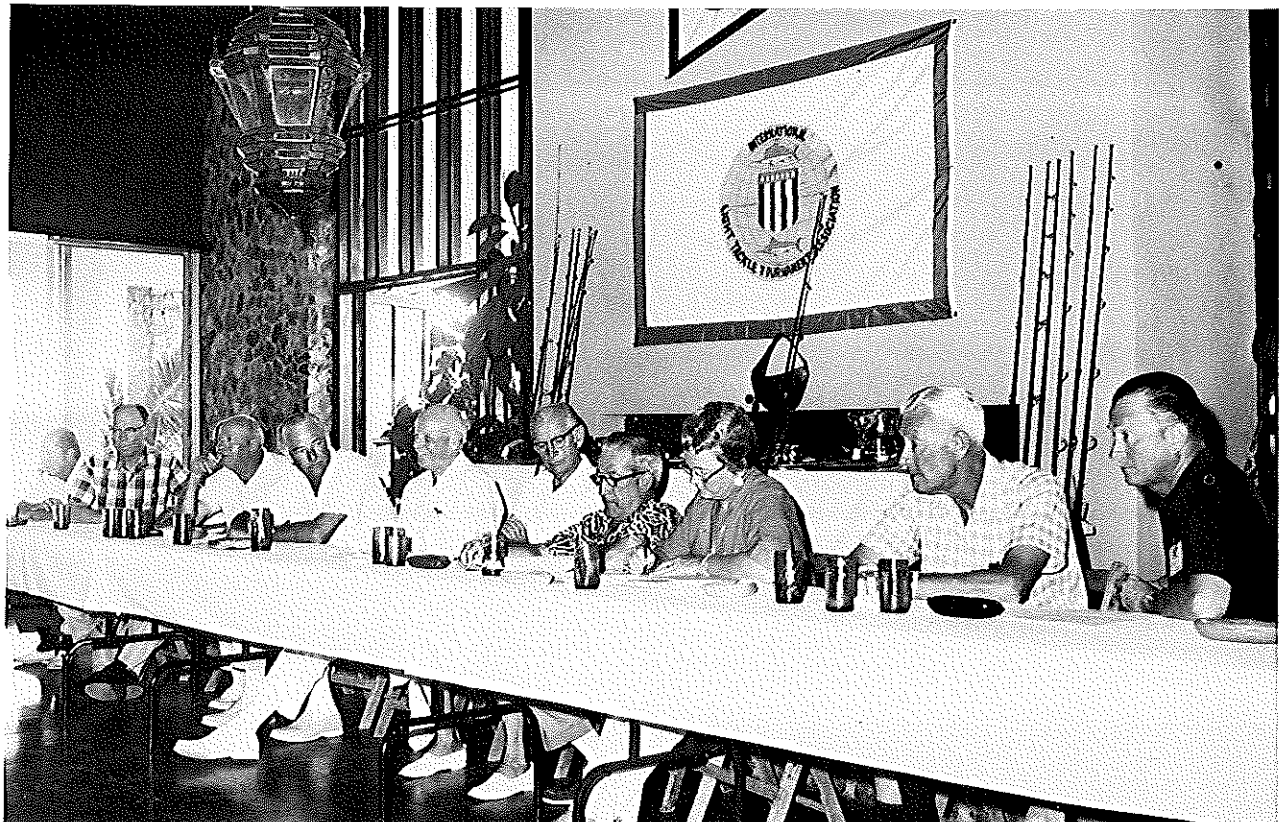
Al Butterworth with horn —



Left to right: ??, Howard and Marge Ashby, ??



General Meeting of 30th Tournament — 1971



Board Members —

left to right: Ernesto Chavez, Ken Sperry, Cotton Lloyd, Stan Weiss, Felix McGinnis, Dr. Dean, Otis Beasley, Helen Smith, Olin Woolson and Jim O'Donnell

DOMINICAN REPUBLIC



TOURNAMENTS HELD IN DOMINICAN REPUBLIC

XLIV — 1984 (Club Med)

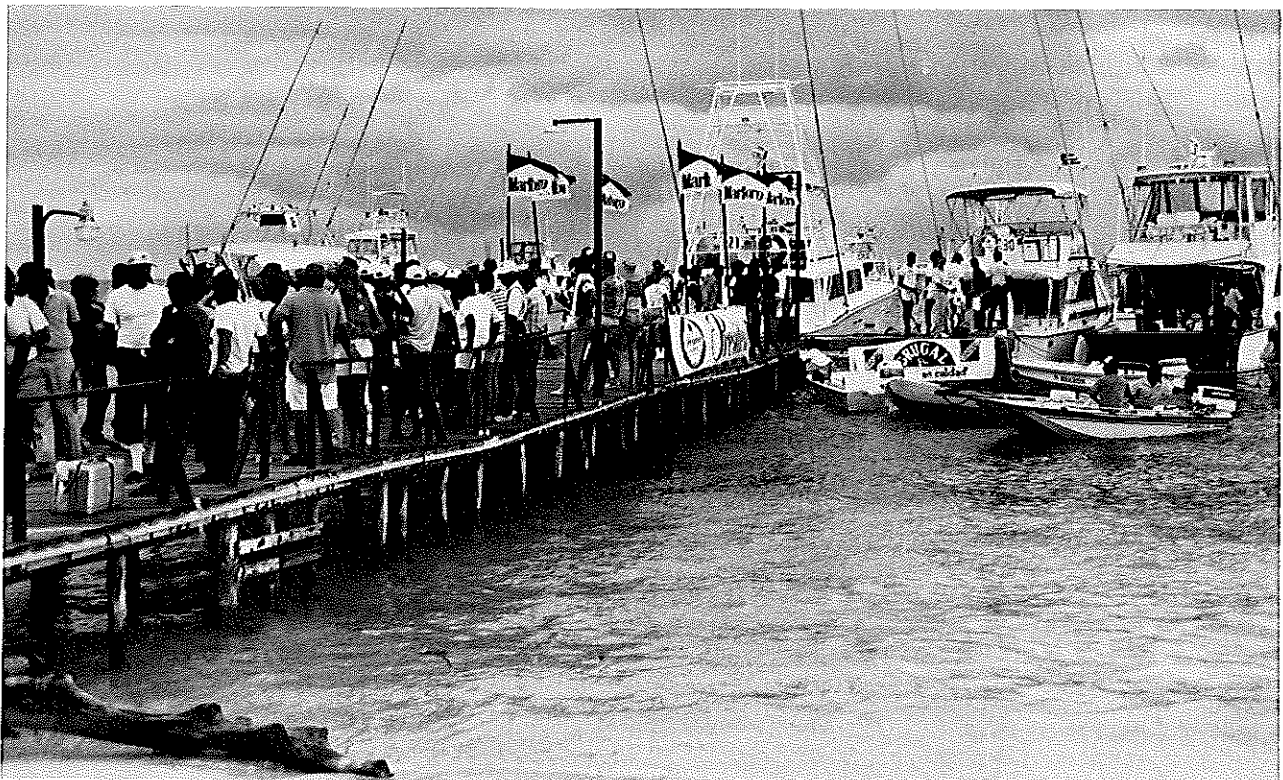
XLVII — 1987 (Cabeza del Toro)



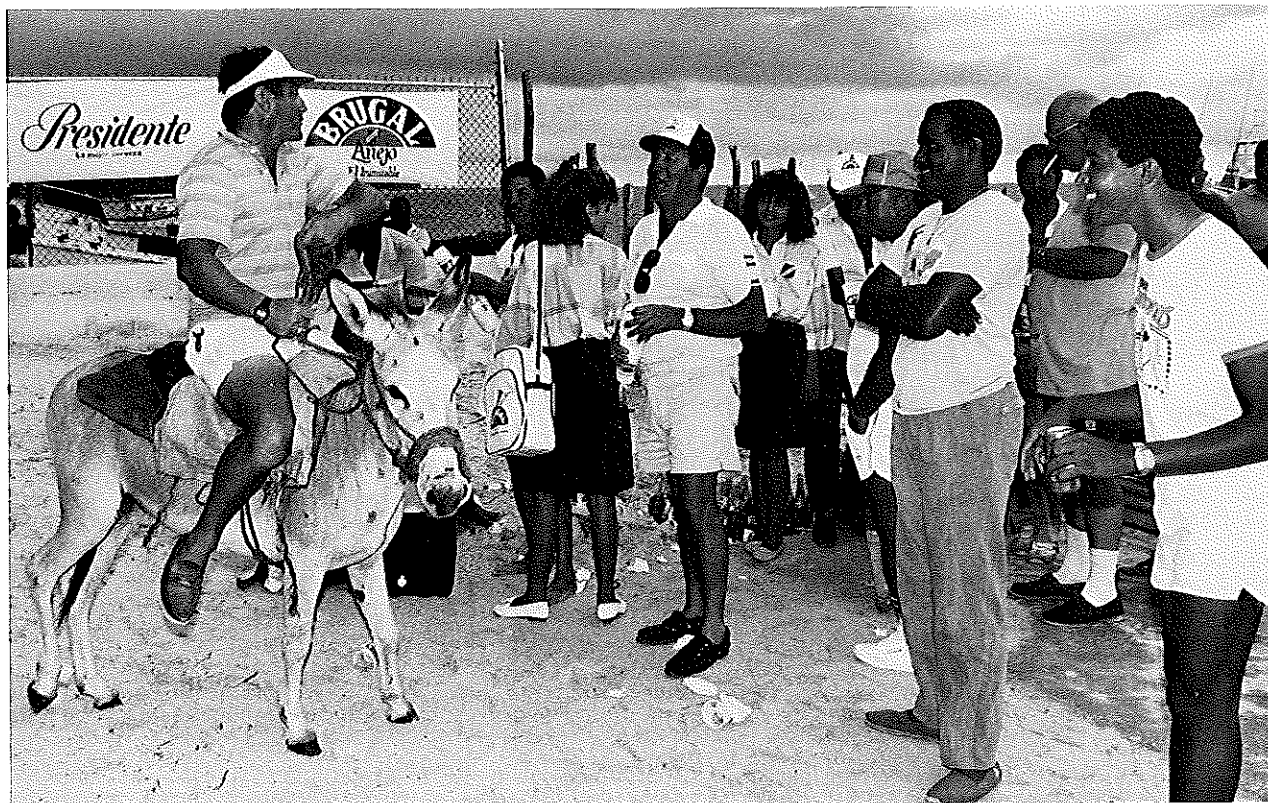
44th Tournament 1984



Leaving for fishing



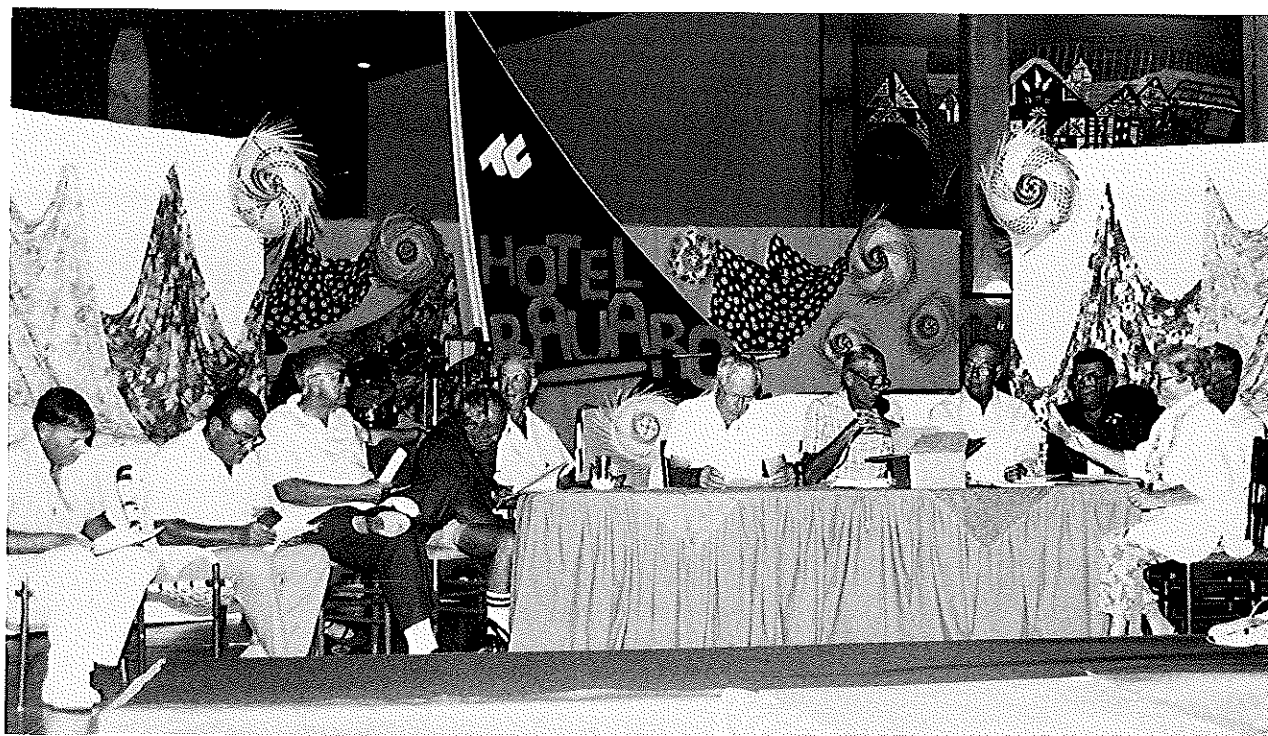
Exchanging fish stories at end of day



Tim Choate furnishing entertainment for the troops — 1987



Leaving for fishing In the AM



Board Meeting — 47th Tournament — 1987

Left to right: Jose Alba, Salomon Kaluf, Louls Robles, Jorge Innes, Harvey Weil, John Rybovich, Bruno Rodriguez, Bob Herder, Tom Homrighausen, Sam Evert and Helen Smith



Opening Dinner at 47th Tournament

Left to right: Mr. and Mrs. Ernesto Vitienes, Mr. and Mrs. Jaak Rannik, and Mr. and Mrs. Bruno Rodriguez with Oscar Beiges at the mike.



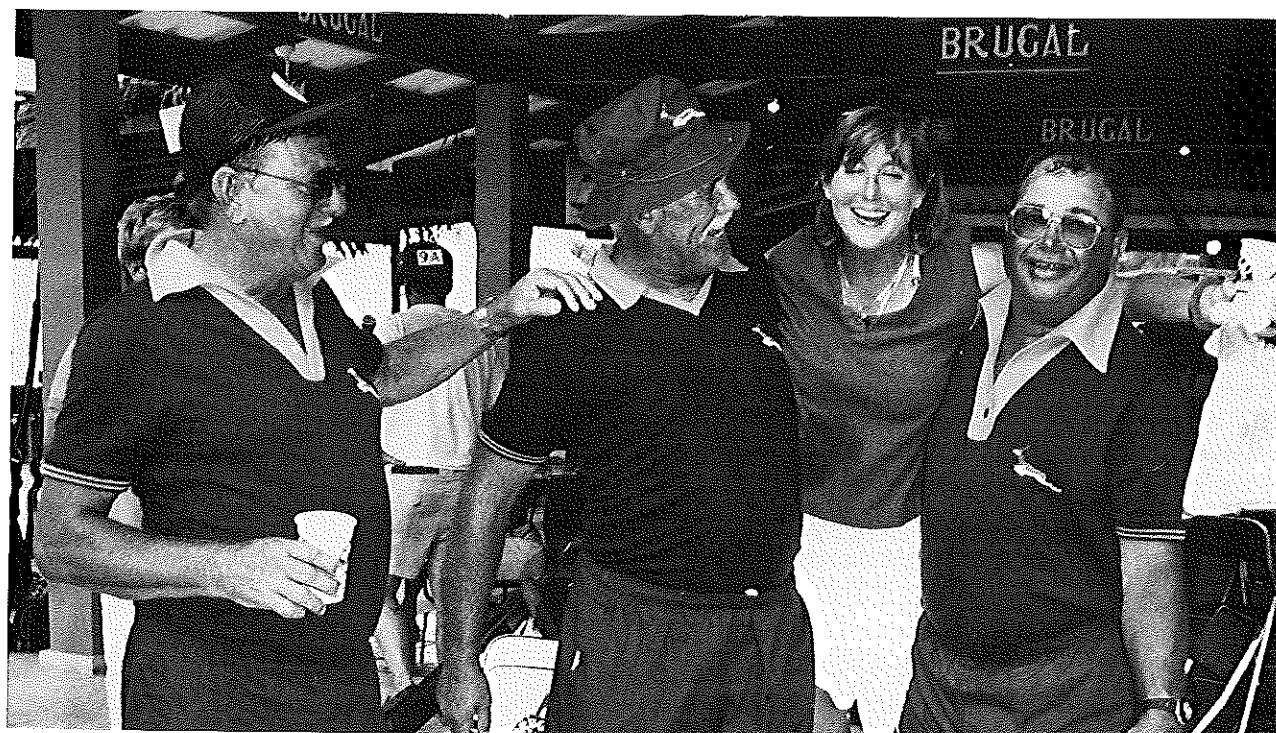
Trophy awards of the 47th Tournament
Paul Matheson, Dirk VanVilet, Oscar Berges



More awards: left to right: Jaak Rannik, Ernesto Vitienes, Bob Herder, Miguel Villeya, Dick Collins and Oscar Berges.



Harvey Well and Bruno Rodriguez



The South Africans
Buck Rutherford, Nic Kellerman, Retief Redelinghuys
(not sure this is their right order of left to right)

TOURNAMENT HISTORIES

I Acapulco, Mexico — March 30, 1946

(No President — No Host Club)

Four 1-man teams:

Dr. George Chuck (So. California Tuna Club)

Tucker McClure (Pacific Sailfish Club of Panama)

John Sutcliffe (Acapulco Yacht Club)

Dr. Roy B. Dean (Sailfish & Tarpon Club of Mexico)

Winner: Sailfish & Tarpon Club of Mexico with an 83# Sailfish — boated*

*The first two tournaments only boated fish counted. The 3rd Tournament was the first time for a release tournament. Largest fish was winner

II Acapulco, Mexico — November 1-3, 1946

141 Sailfish & 2 Marlin

General Chairman: Dr. Roy B. Dean

Host Club: Sailfish & Tarpon Club of Mexico

8 (2-man) Clubs

Winner: So. California Tuna Club

(George Chuck and Allen Wright) 182½# Marlin

III Rey Island, Panama — August 28-31, 1947

56 Sailfish & 1 Black Marlin

No President

Host Club: Pacific Sailfish Club of Panama

7 (2-man) Clubs and 16 Independent Clubs (not affiliated with IGFA)

Winner: So. California Tuna Club

(George Chuck and J.J. Burnett, Jr.) 5 Sails with largest 111#

IV Miami Beach, Florida — November 18-20, 1948

37 Sailfish

No President

Host Club: Rod & Reel Club of Miami

General Chairman: Jack Mahoney

24 Clubs and 61 anglers

Winner: Sailfish & Tarpon Club of Mexico

(George Chuck, Mrs. Louise Hopton, Dr. Roy Dean)

V Acapulco, Mexico — November 16-18, 1949

336 Sailfish (all but 5 released)

No President

Host Club: So. California Tuna Club

General Chairman: Dr. George Chuck

23 (1 & 2-man Clubs) 68 anglers

Winner: (tie) Hotel Club de Pesca, Mexico

(Guy Daniels and Taylor Reedy)

Ocean City Light Tackle Club, Maryland

(Alan "Fergle" Ferguson & Reggie Foster)

VI Palm Beach, Florida — January 9-11, 1951

183 Sailfish

No President

Host Clubs: Sailfish Conservation Club, West Palm Beach Fishing Club and Sailfish Club of Florida

General Chairman: Charles F. Johnson

34 Clubs and 103 anglers

Winner: West Palm Beach Fishing Club, Florida

(M.F. "Buck" Baugher, Henry Chanin & Tommy Shevlin)

- VII Acapulco, Mexico — November 14-16, 1951 362 Sailfish released
 President: Board of Governors
 Host Club: Tuna Club of Avalon, California
 General Chairman: Dr. George Chuck
 26 Clubs and 85 anglers
 Winner: West Palm Beach Fishing Club — Florida
- VIII Acapulco, Mexico — November 19-21, 1952 37 Sailfish released
 President: Board of Governors
 Host Club: Sailfish & Tarpon Club of Mexico
 General Chairman: Dr. Roy Dean
 26 Clubs and 70 anglers
 Winner: Tuna Club of Avalon, California
 (D.H. Sluder, John Ritchey, Frank Blvens)
- IX Palm Beach, Florida — December 8-11, 1953 57 Sailfish released
 President: John Mahoney
 Host Clubs: West Palm Beach Fishing Club, Sailfish Yacht & Beach Club of
 Palm Beach, and Sailfish Conservation Club of Palm Beaches.
 General Chairman: John Rybovich, Jr.
 32 Clubs and 82 anglers
 Winner: Sportsman's Club of America
 (Ted Williams, Gar Wood and Dave Denholm)
- X Palm Beach, Florida — January 10-14, 1955 174 Sailfish released
 President: A. I. Bauman
 Host Clubs: West Palm Beach Fishing Club, Sailfish Yacht & Beach Club of
 Palm Beach, and Sailfish Conservation Club of Palm Beaches.
 General Chairman: John Rybovich, Jr.
 30 Clubs and 87 anglers
 Winner: Ocean City Light Tackle Club, Maryland — 970 points
 (Jim O'Donnell, Alan Ferguson and Osbourn Owings)
- XI Mazatlan, Mexico — April 16-19, 1956 110 Sailfish (mostly released)
 President: Horace Witherspoon
 Host Club: Balboa Angling Club, California
 General Chairman: Horace Witherspoon
 30 Clubs and 90 anglers
 Winner: Sailfish & Tarpon Club of Mexico
 (Dr. Ernest Chavez, Guy Daniels, Dr. Roy Dean)
- XII Ocean City, Maryland — July 6-9, 1956 4 Billfish (all released)
 President: James O'Donnell, Jr.
 Host Club: Ocean City Light Tackle Club
 General Chairman: Osbourn Owings
 33 Clubs and 99 anglers
 Winner: (3 way tie) Panama Rod & Reel Club (Luis De Hoyes) 100 pts.
 Sailfish Club of Florida (John Rybovich, Jr.) 100 pts.
 Sailfish Cons. Club of Palm Beaches (Nicholas Smith) 100 pts.
- XIII Mazatlan, Mexico — April 29-May 2, 1958 31 Marlin & 109 Sailfish released
 President: Horace Witherspoon
 Host Club: Pacific Anglers
 General Chairman: George Griffith
 30 Clubs and 90 anglers
 Winner: Rod & Reel Club of Miami, Florida — 1410 points
 (Jack Christianson, Dave DeTar, Charles Clowe)

- XIV Palm Beach, Florida — January 6-9, 1959 221 Sailfish released
 President: John Rybovich, Jr.
 Host Club: Sailfish Club of Florida
 General Chairman: P.A.B. Widener, III
 38 Clubs and 114 anglers
 Winner: Cocolobo Cay Fishing Club, Florida — 1400 points
 (Gar Wood, Jr., C. Markham Langham, D.R. Smith)
 2nd Place: Rod & Reel Club of Miami — 1300 points
 (Jack Christensen, John Raulerson, Fred Rouse)
 3rd Place: Manasquan River Marlin and Tuna Club — 1100 points
 (Bayard Stockton III, Robert C. Crane, O.G. Dale, Jr.)
- XV Acapulco, Mexico — December 1-4, 1959 169 Sailfish released
1 Striped Marlin released
 President: H.L. Eichelberger
 Host Club: Texas Game Fishing Club
 General Chairman: Larry Verner
 31 Clubs and 93 anglers
 Winner: So. California Tuna Club, California — 1000 points
 (Charles Shore Cox, Glenn L. Bracken, Mulford Smith)
 2nd Place: Ocean City Light Tackle Club — 1000 points
 (Reggie Foster, Jim O'Donnell, Harry Fowler)
 3rd Place: Newport Harbor Yacht Club Tuna Club — 900 points
 (Allerton Jefferies, Ward Jewell, Gordon Wevill)
- XVI Palm Beach, Florida — January 17-20, 1960 287 Sailfish released
 President: Gar Wood, Jr.
 Host Club: Sailfish Club of Florida
 General Chairman: John Rybovich, Jr.
 40 Clubs and 120 anglers
 Winner: Ocean City Light Tackle Club, Maryland — 1600 points
 (Jim O'Donnell, Jr., John E. Larson, Harry A. Dundore)
 2nd Place: Cape Hatteras Billfish Club — 1400 points
 (Dale Critz, Maurice Nelken, Lewis)
 3rd Place: Cocolobo Cay Fishing Club — 1400 points
 (Gar Wood, Jr., D.R. (Doc) Smith, C. Markham Langham)
- XVII San Diego, California — September 19-22, 1961 13 Striped Marlin released
 President: Art Hall
 Host Club: Pacific Anglers, California
 General Chairman: Hal A. Kenoyer
 26 Clubs and 78 anglers
 Winner: Sailfish & Tarpon Club of Mexico — 200 points
 (Dr. Roy Dean, W.F. Plummer, Martin Urrutia)
 2nd Place: Atlantic Tuna Club — 200 points
 (R.V. Boom, E.D. Delaney, Morgan Blissey)
 3rd Place: Lido Anglers, California — 200 points
 (Earl Spainard, Joe Howard, Cliff Brignall)
- XVIII Duck Key, Florida — December 4-7, 1962 30 Sailfish released
 President: Gar Wood, Jr.
 Host Club: Cocolobo Cay Fishing Club, Florida
 General Chairman: D.R. (Doc) Smith
 26 Clubs and 78 anglers
 Winner: Ocean City Light Tackle Club, Maryland — 400 points
 (John E. Larson, Harry Fowler, Gilbert W. Keech)
 2nd Place: Bimini Big Game Fishing Club — 300 points
 (Walter E. Huhn, James M. Watters, C.B. Brooks)
 3rd Place: Brielle Marlin and Tuna Club — 200 points
 (Maurice Meyer, Jr., Louis Marron, R.J. Duffy)

- XIX Mazatlan, Florida — April 22-26, 1963 8 Sailfish released
 President: Dr. Ernestao Chavez, Jr.
 Host Club: Port Aransas Rod and Reel Club, Texas
 General Chairman: Harvey Weil
 25 Clubs and 75 anglers
 Winner: National Capitol Game Fish Conservation Club, Virginia — 600 points
 (James O'Donnell, Jr., Louis S. Allen, John F. Kerkam)
 2nd Place: Ocean City Marlin Club, Maryland — 450 points
 (Paul V. Mumford, Robert Herder, Lothrop A. Luttrell)
 3rd Place: Sailfish and Tarpon Club of Mexico — 450 points
 (Dr. Roy Dean, Dr. Ernesto Chavez, Jr., Wilbur F. Plummer)
- XX Palm Beach, Florida — January 14-17, 1964 72 Sailfish released
 President: James O'Donnell
 Host Club: Sailfish Club of Florida
 General Chairman: Carlton A. Smith
 35 Clubs and 105 anglers
 Winner: Club Pescadores Deportivos, Venezuela — 500 points
 (Edward Riggs-Miller, Harry Santana, Durwood Wheeler)
 2nd Place: Bimini Big Game Fishing Club, Bahamas — 500 points
 (Charles Brooks, Warren J. Schafer, Richard Freyberg)
 3rd Place: Brielle Marlin and Tuna Club, New Jersey — 500 points
 (Louis Marron, Fred J. Schock, J. Neal Dowe)
- XXI Acapulco, Mexico — December 3-6, 1964 193 Sailfish released
4 Striped Marlin released
 President: Ward E. Jewell
 Host Club: Texas Game Fishing Club
 General Chairman: L.T. Verner
 33 Clubs and 99 anglers
 Winner: Long Beach Yacht Club Anglers, California — 1200 points
 (Glenn Bracken, Harrison Moore, Dr. John W. Dorsey)
 2nd Place: Imperial Valley Anglers, California — 1050 points
 3rd Place: Sailfish Club of Florida — 900 points
- XXII Caraballeda, Venezuela — September 22-26, 1966 281 White Marlin released
3 Blue Marlin released
103 Sailfish released
 President: J. Adalberto Roig
 Host Club: Caraballeda Golf y Yacht Club
 General Chairman: Hector Casado
 30 Clubs and 90 anglers
 Winner: Laguna Beach Club, Venezuela — 2600 points
 (Pedro J. Castillo Pena, Gildo Bellini, Carlos Joaquin Perez)
 2nd Place: Playa Grande Yachting Club, Venezuela — 2400 points
 3rd Place: Club Nautico Nubarron, Venezuela — 2200 points
- XXIII Cabo San Lucas, Baja Calif., sur Mexico — May 17-20, 1966 137 Striped Marlin released
 President: Dr. Roy B. Dean
 Host Club: So. California Tuna Club
 General Chairman: Albert Beach
 30 Clubs and 90 anglers
 Winner: Laguna Beach Club, Venezuela — 1300 points
 (Pedro J. Castillo Pena, Gildo Bellini, Carlos Joaquin Perez)
 2nd Place: Newport Harbor Yacht Club Tuna Club, California — 1000 points
 3rd Place: Balboa Club de Mazatlan, Mexico — 900 points

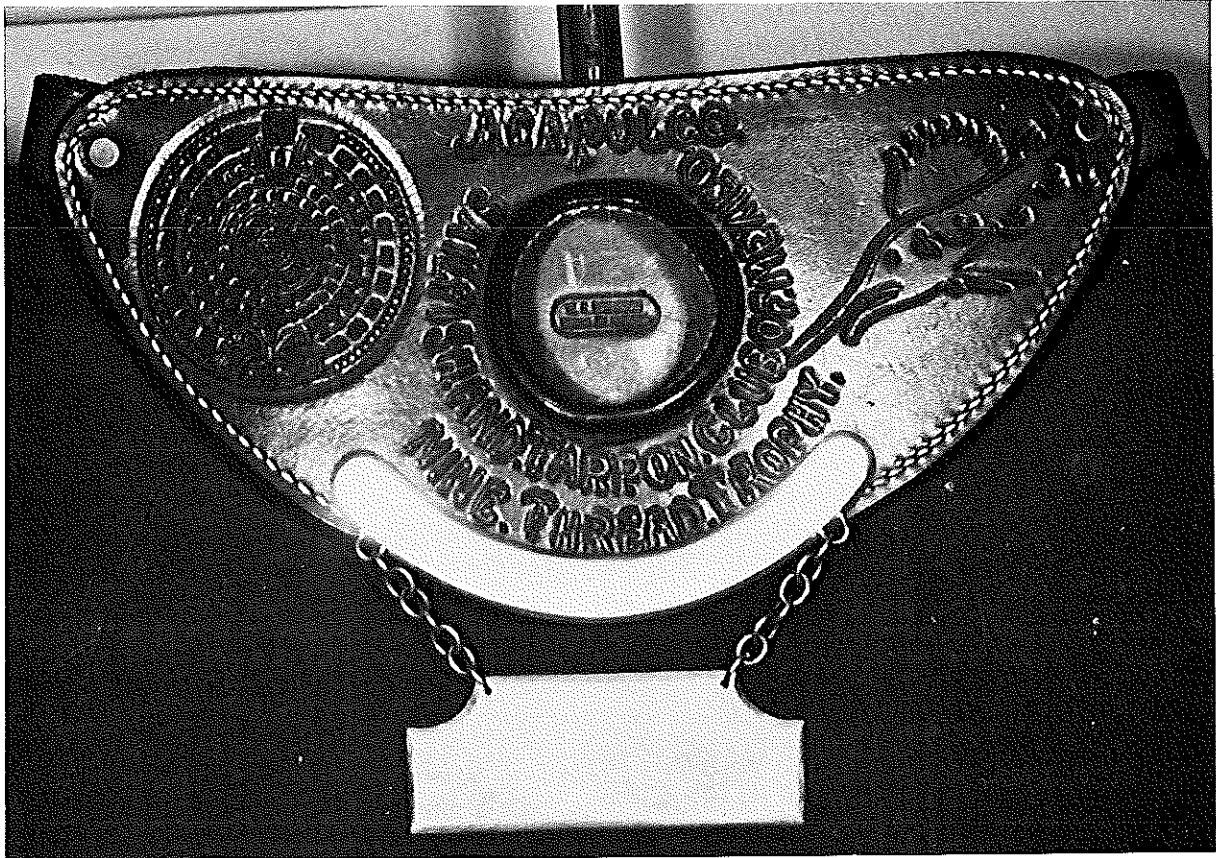
- XXIV Palm Beach, Florida — January 16-20, 1967 217 Sailfish released
 President: J. Otis Beasley
 Host Club: Sailfish Club of Florida
 General Chairman: James H. Kimberly
 39 Clubs and 117 anglers
 Winner: Hatteras Marlin Club, No. Carolina — 1200 points
 (A.B. Dusenbury, Henry Breyer, Harris L. Willits)
 2nd Place: Laguna Beach Club, Venezuela — 1200 points
 3rd Place: Ft. Lauderdale Fishing Club, Florida — 1100 points
- XXV Acapulco, Mexico — November 30-December 3, 1967 260 Sailfish released
 President: D. Otis Beasley
 Host Club: Texas Game Fishing Club
 General Chairman: L. T. Verner Co-Chairman: R.J. Newlon
 29 Clubs and 87 anglers
 Winner: Tuna Club of Avalon, California — 1400 points
 (Charles Swanton, Hugh Wright, Don Locke)
 2nd Place: Balboa Club de Mazatlan, Mexico — 1200 points
 (P. Fred Johnson, Ralph Walker, William McGee)
 3rd Place: Club Rotario de la Ciudad de Mexico — 1200 points
 (Arcadio Gonzales, Raphael Gonzales, Sergio Lunes)
- XXVI Cabo San Lucas, Baja Calif., sur Mexico — June 9-13, 1968 201 Billfish released
 President: R. J. Newlon
 Host Club: Pacific Anglers, California
 General Chairman: Tim Tate Co-Chairman: Pete Cornell
 25 Clubs and 75 anglers
 Winner: Humacao Angling Club of Puerto Rico — 1500 points
 (Adalberto Roig, Charles Swanton, Warren T. Merrill)
 2nd Place: Long Beach Yacht Club, California — 1300 points
 3rd Place: Club Tepeyac de Caza y Pesca, Mexico — 1300 points
- XXVII Mazatlan, Mexico — April 14-17, 1969 No catch record
 President: Felix McGinnis
 Host Club: Texas Game Fishing Club
 General Chairman: L.T. Verner Co-Chairman: R.J. Newlon
 34 Clubs and 102 anglers
 Winner: Sailfish Club of Florida — 600 points
 (James H. Kimberly, Jules VonRebhan, E.D. Martin)
 2nd Place: Virginia Anglers, Virginia — 500 points
 3rd Place: Humacao Angling Club, Puerto Rico — 400 points
- XXVIII Palm Beach, Florida — January 19-23, 1970 48 Sailfish released
 President: James O'Donnell, Jr.
 Host Club: Sailfish Club of Florida
 General Chairman: James H. Kimberly
 35 Clubs and 105 anglers
 Winner: Laguna Beach Club, Venezuela
 (Pedro J. Castillo Pena, Gildo Bellini, Carlos Joaquin Perez)
 2nd Place: Balboa Angling Club, California
 3rd Place: Rod and Reel Club of Miami
- XXIX Caracas, Venezuela — September 22-27, 1970 451 White Marlin released
 President: James H. Kimberly
 Host Club: Club Pescadores Deportivos, Venezuela
 General Chairman: Dr. Carlos Rojas Rohl
 44 Clubs and 132 anglers
 Winner: Laguna Beach Club, Venezuela
 (Pedro J. Castillo Pena, Gildo Bellini, Carlos Joaquin Perez)
 2nd Place: Playa Grande Yachting Club, Venezuela
 3rd Place: Club Nubarron, Venezuela

- XXX Cabo San Lucas, Baja California, sur Mexico — June 13-17, 1971 452 Billfish released
 President: Dr. Roy B. Dean
 Host Club: Tuna Club of Avalon California
 General Chairman: Felix H. McGinnis
 31 Clubs and 93 anglers
 Winner: Rod and Reel Club of Miami — 1300 points
 (S.W. "Johnny" Raulerson, John L. Haines, Harry S. Okuda)
 2nd Place: Club de Parada Chubasco y Pesca, California — 1200 points
 3rd Place: Caraballeda Golf y Yacht Club, Venezuela — 1100 points
- XXXI Caracas, Venezuela — September 13-17, 1972 281 Sailfish released
 President: Felix H. McGinnis
 Host Club: Caraballeda Golf y Yacht Club, Venezuela
 General Chairman: Manual Matos
 40 Clubs and 120 anglers
 Winner: Playa Grande Yachting Club, Venezuela — 2000 points
 (Dr. Ruben Jaen, Dr. Ceasar Acosta, Freddy Benarroch)
 2nd Place: Laguna Beach Club, Venezuela — 1700 points
 3rd Place: Puerto Rico Light Tackle Anglers — 1300 points
- XXXII Cabo San Lucas, Baja Calif., sur Mexico — June 17-21, 1973 61 Billfish released
 President: Manual A. Matos
 Host Club: Pacific Anglers, California
 General Chairman: Tim Tate
 33 Clubs and 99 anglers
 Winner: Balboa Club de Mazatlan, Mexico — 800 points
 (Fred Johnson, Wm. McGee, Horace Witherspoon)
 2nd Place: Pacific Anglers, California — 500 points
 3rd Place: Puerto Rico Light Tackle Anglers — 500 points
- XXXIII Cabo San Lucas, Baja, Calif., sur Mexico — June 9-13, 1974 188 Billfish released
 President: Stanley D. Weiss
 Host Club: Huntington Harbour Anglers, California
 General Chairman: J.L. "Mace" Mason
 25 Clubs and 75 anglers
 Winner: Laguna Beach Club, Venezuela — 2500 points
 (Gildo Bellini, Ronald Morrison, Aquiles Garcia)
 2nd Place: Pacific Anglers — 1300 points
 3rd Place: Club Cabo San Lucas — 1200 points
- XXXIV LaGualra, Venezuela — September 23-29, 1975 371 Billfish released
 President: D. Otis Beasley
 Host Club: Laguna Beach Club, Venezuela
 General Chairman: Gildo Bellini
 40 Clubs and 120 anglers
 Winner: Laguna Beach Club, Venezuela — 2000 points
 (Gildo Bellini, Aquiles Garcia, Ronald Morrison)
 2nd Place: Pez Vela Club de Pesca, Venezuela — 1900 points
 3rd Place: Playa Grande Yachting Club, Venezuela — 1700 points
- XXXV Rio de Janeiro, Brasil — January 8-14, 1977 152 Billfish released
 President: Gene McCoy/John Haines
 Host Club: Iate Clube de Rio de Janeiro
 General Chairman: Helio Barroso
 36 Clubs and 108 anglers
 Winner: Buzios Beach Club, Brasil — 1100 points
 (Raymond de Britto, Roberto de Almeida, Richard Paul Matheson)
 2nd Place: Dos Marimbás, Brasil — 800 points
 3rd Place: Imperial Valley Anglers, California — 800 points

- XXXVI Cabo San Lucas, Baja California, sur Mexico — June 11-15, 1977 **125 Billfish released**
 President: Frank J. Mather III
 Host Club: Pacific Anglers, California
 General Chairman: Tim Tate Co-Chairman: Jack Caldwell
 27 Clubs and 81 anglers
 Winner: Laguna Beach Club, Venezuela — 1300 points
 (Gildo Bellini, Ronald Morrison, Aquiles Garcia)
 2nd Place: Shark Island Yacht Club, California — 1300 points
 3rd Place: Club Perto Azul, Venezuela — 700 points
- XXXVII Acapulco, Mexico — November 16-20, 1977 **191 Sailfish released**
 President: Robert Herder
 Host Clubs: Club Tepeyac, Club de Yates de Acapulco, y Sailfish & Tarpon Club of Mexico
 General Chairman: Monty Padilla
 29 Clubs and 87 anglers
 Winner: Laguna Beach, Venezuela — 1300 points
 (Gildo Bellini, Ronald Morrison, Aquiles Garcia)
 2nd Place: Club Marlinamar, Venezuela — 1300 points
 3rd Place: Rod and Reel Club of Miami — 1300 points
- XXXVIII LaGualra, Venezuela — October 3-8, 1978 **372 Billfish released**
 President: Robert Herder
 Host Club: Club Marlinamar, Venezuela
 General Chairman: Nicanor Garcia Co-Chairman: Carlos E. Tinoco
 46 Clubs and 138 anglers
 Winner: Pez Vela Club de Pesca, Venezuela — 2400 points
 (Manuel Socorro, John Macho, Hilarion Gonzales)
 2nd Place: Club Marlinamar, Venezuela — 1800 points
 3rd Place: Playa Grand Yachting Club, Venezuela — 1700 points
- XXXIX Rio de Janeiro, Brasil — December 9-15, 1979 **177 Billfish released**
 President: Hello Barroso
 Host Club: late Clube do Rio de Janeiro/late Clube do Espirito Santo
 General Chairman: Hello Barroso
 27 Clubs and 81 anglers
 Winner: late Clube do Rio de Janeiro, Brasil — 1700 points
 (Augusto Nobre, Jose Vasco de Costa, Chafic Saade)
 2nd Place: late Club Icarai, Brasil — 1600 points
 3rd Place: Laguna Beach Club, Venezuela — 1400 points
- XL Palm Beach, Florida — January 6-10, 1981 **304 Sailfish released**
 President: J.L. "Mace" Mason
 Host Club: Sailfish Club of Florida
 General Chairman: S.H. "Sam" Evert Co-Chairman: John Rybovich, Jr.
 44 Clubs and 132 anglers
 Winner: Club LagunaMar, Venezuela — 2000 points
 (Ronald Morrison, Aquiles Garcia, Rafael Arnal)
 2nd Place: Sailfish Club of Florida — 1200 points
 3rd Place: Ocean City Light Tackle Club, Maryland — 1200 points
- XLI Acapulco, Mexico — November 18-23, 1981 **248 Sailfish released**
 President: S.H. "Sam" Evert
 Host Clubs: Club Tepeyac, Caza y Pesca — Sailfish & Tarpon Club, and Club d Yates de Acapulco
 General Chairman: Jorge Innes Co-Chairman: Mo Padilla
 43 Clubs and 129 anglers
 Winner: Sailfish Club of Florida — 1300 points
 (Sam Evert, Norm Ehinger, Jay Potsham)
 2nd Place: Union League Club of Chicago, Illinois — 1100 points
 3rd Place: Bucaneros Yacht Club, Venezuela — 1100 points

- XLII** LaGuaira, Venezuela — October 19-24, 1982 **911 Billfish released**
 President: S.H. "Sam" Evert
 Host Club: Playa Grande Yachting Club, Venezuela
 General Chairman: Alfredo Kowalski Co-Chairman: Reinaldo Perdomo
 43 Clubs and 149 anglers
 Winner: Club LagunaMar, Venezuela — 4200 points
 (Aguiles Garcia, Rafael Arnal, Ronald Morrison)
 2nd Place: Club Centro Nautico Marinamar, Venezuela — 3600 points
 3rd Place: Laguna Beach, Venezuela — 3500 points
- XLIII** Cabo San Lucas, Baja California, sur Mexico — June 9-14, 1983 **100 Striped Marlin released**
 President: Jack Caldwell
 General Chairman: Tom Humrighausen
 Host Club: Pacific Anglers, California
 24 Clubs and 72 anglers
 Winner: Club LagunaMar, Venezuela — 2000 points
 (Ronald Morrison, Aquiles Garcia, Rafael Arnal)
 2nd Place: Capitanla Playa Grande, Venezuela — 900 points
 3rd Place: Curacao Yacht Club, Curacao — 600 points
- XLIV** Club Med, Santo Domingo — June 11-16, 1984 **134 White Marlin
1 Blue Marlin released**
 President: Jose Castillo
 Host Club: Club Nautico de Santo Domingo
 General Chairman: Louis J. Robles Co-Chairmen: Oscar Berges & Alberto Bonetti Brea
 41 Clubs and 123 anglers
 Winner: Aso. Dominicana de Pescadores, Sto, Domingo — 800 points
 (Louis Robles, Ricart Nadal, Ruben Cortina)
 2nd Place: Club LagunaMar, Venezuela — 800 points
 3rd Place: Capitanla Playa Grande, Venezuela — 800 points
- XLV** Puerto Rico, Venezuela — September 23-27, 1985 **548 White Marlin released**
 President: Jose Castillo
 Host Club: Club Puerto Rico Azul, Venezuela
 General Chairman: Jose F. Alba Co-Chairman: Jose Manuel Castillo
 44 Clubs and 132 anglers
 Winner: Club Camuri Grande, Venezuela — 3200 points
 (Marcos Jurado, Juan Meneses, Norberto Rivas)
 2nd Place: Laguna Beach, Venezuela — 2500 points
 3rd Place: Bucaneros Yacht Club, Venezuela — 2400 points
- XLVI** Acapulco, Mexico — December 2-7, 1987 **164 Sailfish released**
 President: Bruno Rodriguez
 Host Clubs: Sailfish & Tarpon Club, Rotario de Pesca, Club de Yates de Acapulco,
 y Club Tepeyac de Caza y Pesca
 General Chairman: Jorge Martin S.
 24 Clubs and 72 anglers
 Winner: Club Tepeyac de Caza y Pesca, Mexico — 1400 points
 (Monty Padilla, Augustin Sanudo, Rogello Huerta)
 2nd Place: Sailfish & Tarpon Club, Mexico — 1200 points
 3rd Place: Curacao Yacht Club, Curacao — 1100 points
- XLVII** Cabeza del Toro — Dominican Republic — May 22-27, 1987 **213 White Marlin released
2 Blue Marlin released
4 Sailfish released**
 President: Bruno Rodriguez
 Host Club: Club Nautico de Santo Domingo
 General Chairman: Sebastian "Tito" Infanzon
 34 Clubs and 102 anglers
 Winner: Texas Tournament Anglers — 1200 points
 (Charlie Butler, Ron Storm, Tim Choate)
 2nd Place: Ocean City Marlin Club, Maryland — 1100 points
 3rd Place: Club LagunaMar, Venezuela — 1100 points

- XLVIII Mayaguez, Puerto Rico — September 19-24, 1988
 President: Harvey Well
 Host Club: Puerto Rico Light Tackle Anglers
 General Chairman: Sebastian "Tito" Infanzon
 34 Clubs and 102 anglers
 Winner: Puerto Rico Light Tackle Anglers 1150 points
 (Jose "Pepe" Terrassa, Bruno Rodriguez, Miguel Tirado)
 2nd Place: Aso. de Pesca Deportivos, Sto. Domingo — 700 points
 3rd Place: Club Amateur de Pesca, Costa Rica — 600 points
 111 Blue Marlin released on 30# test
- XLIX LaGuaira, Venezuela — October 21-26, 1989
 President: Tom Homrighausen
 Host Club: Playa Grande Yachting Club, Venezuela
 General Chairman: Reinaldo Perdomo Co-Chairman: Alfredo Kowalski
 48 Clubs and 144 anglers
 Winner: Club Playa Grande Resort, Venezuela — 1800 points
 (Noberto Rivas, Juan Menses, Guido Faoro)
 2nd Place: Club LagunaMar, Venezuela — 1200 points
 3rd Place: Ocean City Marlin Club, Maryland — 1100 points
 259 Billfish released
- L Acapulco, Mexico — November 27/December 3, 1990
 President: F. Thomas Westcott
 Host Club: Sailfish and Tarpon Club of Mexico
 General Chairman: Jose Rivera Lebrija
 31 Clubs and 93 anglers
 Winner: Curacao Yacht Club, Curacao — 1500 points
 (Dirk VanVliet, Robert VanVliet, Oscar Perret Gentil)
 2nd Place: Spaanse Water Sport Fishing Club, Curacao — 1400 points
 3rd Place: Ocean City Marlin Club Inc., Maryland — 1300 points
 210 Sailfish released



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NO.	YEAR	TOURNAMENT SITE	WINNING CLUB	ANGLERS
I	March 30, 1946	Acapulco, Mexico	Sailfish and Tarpon Club of Mexico	Dr. Roy B. Dean
II	Nov. 1-3, 1946	Acapulco, Mexico	Southern California Tuna Club	Dr. George C. Chuck Allen Wright Frank M. Linnell
III	Aug. 28-31, 1947	Rey Island, Panama	Southern California Tuna Club	Dr. George C. Chuck Jack Burrell
IV	Nov. 18-20, 1948	Miami, Florida	Sailfish and Tarpon Club of Mexico	Dr. Roy B. Dean Dr. Geo. C. Chuck Mrs. Louise Hopton
V	Nov. 16-18, 1969	Acapulco, Mexico (Two-Way Tie)	Ocean City Light Tackle Club Hotel Club de Pesca de Acapulco	Allen M. Ferguson Reginald H. Foster Phil S. Swaffield Taylor Reedy Guy Daniels Phil M. Swaffield
VI	Jan. 9-11, 1951	Palm Beach, Florida	West Palm Beach Fishing Club	Thomas Shevlin Henry Chanin M.F. Baugher
VII	Nov. 14-16, 1951	Acapulco, Mexico	West Palm Beach Fishing Club	Thomas Shevlin Henry Chanin M.F. Baugher
VIII	Nov. 19-21, 1952	Acapulco, Mexico	Tuna Club of Avalon Catalina, California	Frank E. Blvens Dr. George C. Chuck Darrell Sluder
IX	Dec. 8-11, 1953	Palm Beach, Florida	Sportsman's Club of America	Ted Williams Gar Wood, Jr. D. S. Denholm
X	January 1955	Palm Beach, Florida	Ocean City Light Tackle Club	James O'Donnell, Jr. Alan M. Ferguson Osborn Owens
XI	April 16-19, 1956	Mazatlan, Mexico	Sailfish and Tarpon Club of Mexico "GOLD PLATE"	Dr. Roy B. Dean Dr. Ernesto Chavez Guy Daniels
XII	July 6-9, 1956	Ocean City, Maryland (Three-way Tie)	Sailfish Club of Florida Panama Rod and Reel Club Sailfish Conservation Club of Palm Beaches	John Rybovich Carlton E. Smith Wm. F. Price Luis de Hoyas Dave Defar Mario Gonzalez Howard Craig Wm. A. Kortenhaus Nicholas Smith
XIII	April 29, 1958 May 2, 1958	Mazatlan, Mexico	Miami Beach Rod and Reel Club	Jack Christenson Dave Defar Bert Harborn
XIV	Jan. 6-9, 1959	Palm Beach, Florida	Cocolobo Cay Fishing Club	Gar Wood, Jr. D. R. "Doc" Smith Markham Langham
XV	Dec. 1-4, 1959	Acapulco, Mexico	Southern California Tuna Club "GOLD PLATE"	Charles S. Cox Glenn R. Bracken Dr. Mulford Smith
XVI	Jan. 17-20, 1961	Palm Beach, Florida	Ocean City Light Tackle Club "GOLD PLATE"	James O'Donnell, Jr. John E. Larson Harry A. Dundore

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XVII	Sept. 19-22, 1961	San Diego, California	Sailfish and Tarpon Club of Mexico	Dr. Roy B. Dean Wm. Plummer Martin J. Urrutia
XVIII	Dec. 4-7, 1962	Duck Key, Florida	Ocean City Light Tackle Club	John (Jel) Larson Harry R. Fowler Gilbert Keech
XIX	April 22-26, 1963	Mazatlan, Mexico	National Cap Game Fish Conservation Club	James O'Donnell, Jr. Louis S. Allen John F. Kerkam
XX	Jan. 14-17, 1964	Palm Beach, Florida	Club Pescadores Deportivos of Venezuela	Riggs Miller Harry Santana Durwood Wheeler
XXI	Dec. 3-6, 1964	Acapulco, Mexico	Long Beach Yacht Club Anglers, California	Glenn Bracken Harrison Moore Dr. John W. Dorsey
XXII	Sept. 22-26, 1965	Macuto, Venezuela	Laguna Beach Club de Venezuela	Pedro J. Castillo Pena Gildo Bellini Carlos Joaquin Perez
XXIII	May 17-20, 1966	Cabo San Lucas, Mexico	Southern California Tuna Club	Pedro J. Castillo Pena Gildo Bellini Carlos Joaquin Perez
XXIV	Jan. 17-20, 1967	Palm Beach, Florida	Hatteras Marlin Club	A. B. Dusenbury Henry Breyer Harris L. Willis
XXV	Nov. 30 Dec. 3, 1967	Acapulco, Mexico	Tuna Club of Avalon	Charles Swanton Hugh Wright Donald Locke
XXVI	June 6-13, 1968	Cabo San Lucas, Mexico	Humacao Angling Club of Puerto Rico	Adelberto Roag Charles Swanton Warren T. Merrill
XXVII	April 14-17, 1969	Mazatlan, Mexico	Sailfish Club of Florida	James H. Kimberley Jules Von Rebhan E. D. Martin
XXVIII	Sept. 23-27, 1970	Palm Beach, Florida	Laguna Beach Club de Venezuela "GOLD PLATE"	Pedro J. Castillo Pena Gildo Bellini Carlos Joaquin Perez
XXIX	Sept. 23-27, 1970	Macuto, Venezuela	Laguna Beach Club de Venezuela	Pedro J. Castillo Pena Gildo Bellini Carlos Joaquin Perez
XXX	June 13-17, 1971	Cabo San Lucas, Mexico	Miami Beach Rod and Reel Club, Florida	S. W. "Johnny" Raulerson John L. Haines Harry S. Okuda
XXXI	Sept. 13-17, 1972	Macuto, Venezuela	Playa Grande Yacht Club, Venezuela	Dr. Ruben Jaen Dr. Caesar Acosta Freddy Benarrouch
XXXII	June 18-21, 1973	Cabo San Lucas, Mexico	Balboa Club of Mazatlan, Mexico	P. Fred Johnson Horace Witherspoon Wm. H. McGee
XXXIII	June 9-13, 1974	Cabo San Lucas, Mexico	Laguna Beach Club de Venezuela	Gildo Bellini Ronald Morrison Aguiles Garcia
XXXIV	Sept. 23-28, 1975	Macuto, Venezuela	Laguna Beach Club de Venezuela	Gildo Bellini Aguiles Garcia Ronald Morrison

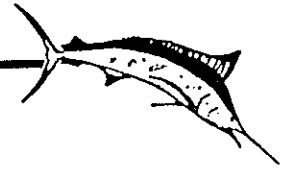
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XXXV	Jan. 8-14, 1977	Rio de Janeiro, Brasil	Buzios Beach Club, Brasil	Raymundo de Britto Roberto de Almeida Richard Paul Matheson
XXXVI	June 11-15, 1977	Cabo San Lucas, Baja, California	Laguna Beach Club de Venezuela	Gildo Bellini Ronald Morrison Aguiles Garcia
XXXVII	Nov. 16-20, 1977	Acapulco, Mexico	Laguna Beach Club de Venezuela	Gildo Bellini Ronald Morrison Aguiles Garcia
XXXVIII	Oct. 3-8, 1978	LaGualra, Venezuela	Pez Vela Club de Pesca Venezuela	Manuel Socorro John Macho Hilarton Gonzalez
XXXIX	Dec. 9-15, 1979	Rio do Janeiro, Brasil	Iate Clube do Rio de Janeiro	Augusto Nobre Jose Vasco de Costa Chafic Saade
XL	Jan. 6-10, 1981	Palm Beach, Florida	Club Laguna Mar Venezuela	Ronald Morrison Aguiles Garcia Rafael Arnal
XLI	Nov. 18-23, 1981	Acapulco, Mexico	Salifish Club of Florida	Sam Evert Norm Ehinger Jay Potsdam
XLII	Oct. 19-24, 1982	LaGualra, Venezuela	Club Laguna Mar Venezuela	Aguiles Garcia Rafael Arnal Ronald Morrison
XLIII	June 9-14, 1983	Cabo San Lucas, Baja, California	Club Laguna Mar Venezuela	Ronald Morrison Aguiles Garcia Rafael Arnal
XLIV	June 11-16, 1984	Santo Domingo	Aso. Dominicana de Pescadores Santo Domingo	Louis Robles Ricart Nadal Ruben Cortina
XLV	Sept. 23-27, 1985	Puerto Azul, Venezuela	Club Camuri Grande Venezuela	Marcos Jurado Juan Meneses Noberto Rivas
XLVI	Dec. 2-7, 1986	Acapulco, Mexico	Club Tepeyac y Caza y Pesca - Acapulco	Monty Padilla Augustin Sanudo Rogelio Huerta
XLVII	May 22-27, 1987	Cabeza del Toro, Sto. Domingo	Texas Tournament Anglers	Ron Storm Tim Choate Charlie Butler
XLVIII	Sept. 19-24, 1988	Mayaguez, Puerto Rico	Puerto Rico Light Tackle Anglers	Jose "Pepe" Terrassa Bruno Rodriguez Miguel Tirado
XLIX	Oct. 21-26, 1989	LaGualra, Venezuela	Playa Grande Resort Venezuela	Norberto Rivas Juan Meneses Guldo Gaoro
L	Nov. 27-Dec. 3, 1990	Acapulco, Mexico	Curacao Yacht Club	Dirk VanVilet Robert VanVilet Oscar Perret Gentil

LIST OF HIGH POINT ANGLERS

NO.	High Point Angler	Points	Club	Residence
1.	Dr. Roy B. Dean	?	Sailfish and Tarpon Club	Mexico, D.F.
2.	Allen Wright	?	Southern California Tuna Club	Long Beach, California
3.	J. J. Burnell	?	Southern California Tuna Club	Long Beach, California
4.	Dr. Geo. C. Chuck	?	Southern California Tuna Club	Long Beach, California
5.	Aaron Saenz	1,250	Club de Yates de Acapulco	Mexico, D.F.
6.	Henry Chanlin	240	W. Palm Beach Fishing Club	Atlanta, Georgia
	A.J. De Less	240	Riviera Beach Fishing Club	W. Palm Beach, Florida
7.	Alan M. Ferguson	1,375	Ocean City Light Tackle Club	Washington, D.C.
8.	D. H. Sluder	375	Tuna Club of Avalon	Pasadena, California
9.	Ted Williams	270	Sportsman's Club of America	Islamorada, Florida
10.	James O'Donnell, Jr.	560	Ocean City Light Tackle Club	Washington, D.C.
11.	Eugene M. Fry	?	Del-Mar-Va Club	Washington, D.C.
12.	Luis de Hoyas	100	Panama Rod and Reel Club	Washington, D.C.
	John Rybovich	100	Sailfish Club of Florida	Palm Beach, Florida
	Nick Smith	100	Sailfish Conservation Club	Palm Beach, Florida
13.	Reginald H. Foster	705	Ocean City Light Tackle Club	Washington, D.C.
14.	Charles F. Johnson	600	Sailfish Conservation Club	Port St. Lucie, Florida
15.	James O'Donnell, Jr.	600	Ocean City Light Tackle Club	Washington, D.C.
16.	J. M. Hutton	800	Sailfish Club of Florida	Palm Beach, Florida
17.	Dr. Roy B. Dean	200	Sailfish and Tarpon Club	Mexico, D.F.
18.	Louis E. Marron	200	Brielle Marlin and Tuna Club	Brielle, New Jersey
19.	James O'Donnell, Jr.	300	National Cap. Game Fish Cons.	Washington, D.C.
20.	Riggs Miller	400	Club Pescadores Deportivos	Caracas, Venezuela
21.	Glenn Bracken	900	Long Beach Yacht Club Anglers	Long Beach, California
22.	Carlos Joachin Perez	1,200	Laguna Beach Club of Venezuela	Caracas, Venezuela
23.	Carlos Joachin Perez	600	Laguna Beach Club of Venezuela	Caracas, Venezuela
24.	Henry Breyer	600	Hatteras Marlin Club	Miami, Florida
25.	J. Donald Locke	1,000	Tuna Club of America	Long Beach, California
26.	Warren Merrill	800	Southern California Tuna Club	Long Beach, California
27.	Adelberto Rolg, Jr.	300	Humacao Angling Club	Humacao, Puerto Rico
28.	Gulido Bellini	?	Laguna Beach Club of Venezuela	Caracas, Venezuela
29.	Freddy Benarroch	1,200	Playa Grande Yachting Club	Caracas, Venezuela
30.	Robert Hillman	900	C. de Parada, Chubasco y Pesca	Corona del Mar, California
31.	Gulido Bellini	1,100	Laguna Beach Club of Venezuela	Caracas, Venezuela
32.	Wm. McGee	500	Balboa Club de Mazatlan	Newport Beach, California
33.	Ronald Morrison	1,100	Laguna Beach Club of Venezuela	Caracas, Venezuela
34.	Luigi D'Amico	1,100	Pez Vela Club de Pesca	Caracas, Venezuela
35.	Roberto de Almeida	600	Buzios Beach Club	Rio de Janeiro, Brasil
36.	Gulido Bellini	800	Laguna Beach Club of Venezuela	Caracas, Venezuela
37.	Gulido Bellini	700	Laguna Beach Club of Venezuela	Caracas, Venezuela
38.	Luis Cuenca	1,000	Club Puerto Azul	Caracas, Venezuela
39.	Jose Priotti	1,000	Del-Mar-Va Anglers	Rio de Janeiro, Brasil
40.	Aquiles Garcia	1,100	Club Laguna Mar	Caracas, Venezuela
41.	Bernard Lindquist	600	Union League Club of Chicago	Chicago, Illinois
42.	Rafael Arnal	1,800	Club Laguna Mar	Caracas, Venezuela
43.	Rafael Arnal	800	Club Laguna Mar	Caracas, Venezuela
44.	Ruben Cortina	500	Aso. Dominicana de Pescadores	Santo Domingo, D.N.
45.	Rafael Arnal	1,200	Club Laguna Mar	Caracas, Venezuela
46.	Salomon Kaluf	800	Curacao Yacht Club	Willemstad, Curacao
47.	Dirk VanVleet	650	Curacao Yacht Club	Willemstad, Curacao
48.	Jose "Pepe" Terrassa	550	Puerto Rico Light Tackle Anglers	San Juan, Puerto Rico
49.	Norberto Rivas	1,100	Club Playa Grande Resort	Caracas, Venezuela
50.	Dirk VanVleet	800	Curacao Yacht Club	Willemstad, Curacao

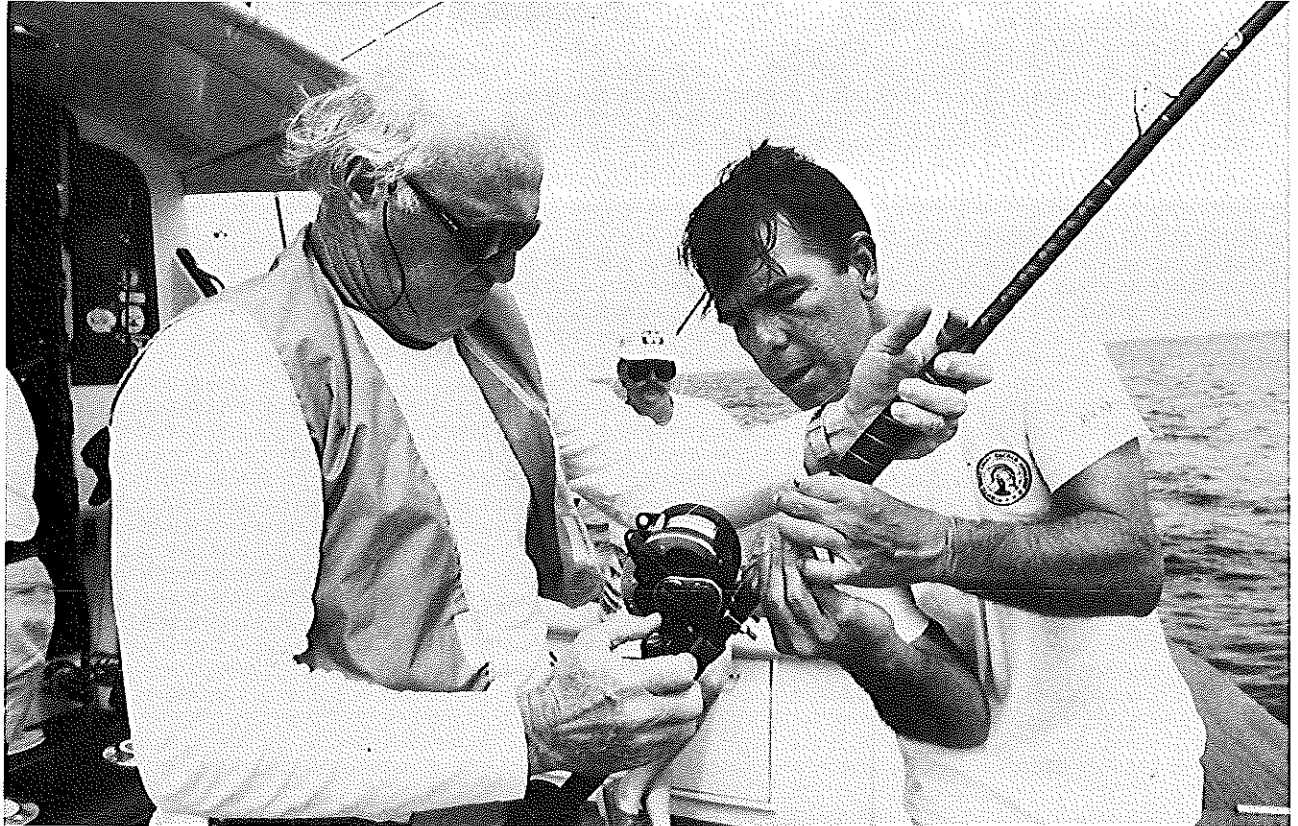
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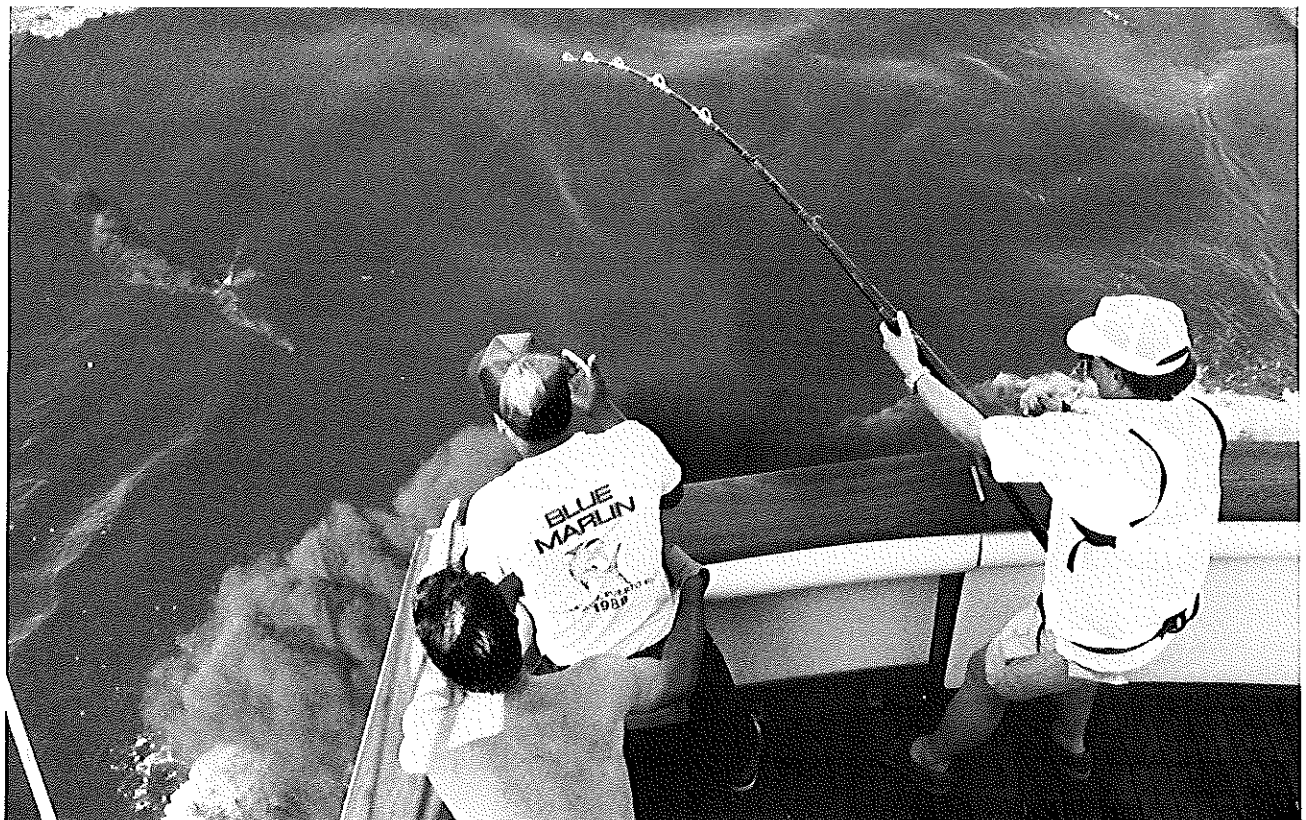
TOURNAMENTS HELD IN PUERTO RICO

XLVIII — 1988 (Mayaguez)





48th Tournament Mayaguez 1988
P.R. Secretary Joe Martin showing guest proper tackle technique



Fish ready to be released



Board Meeting:

Left to right: Helen Smith, Sam Evert, Bruno Rodriguez, Salomon Kaluf, Tito Infanson, Harvey Well, Bob Herder, Roy Sahlstrom, Tom Homrighausen, and Lee Nelson



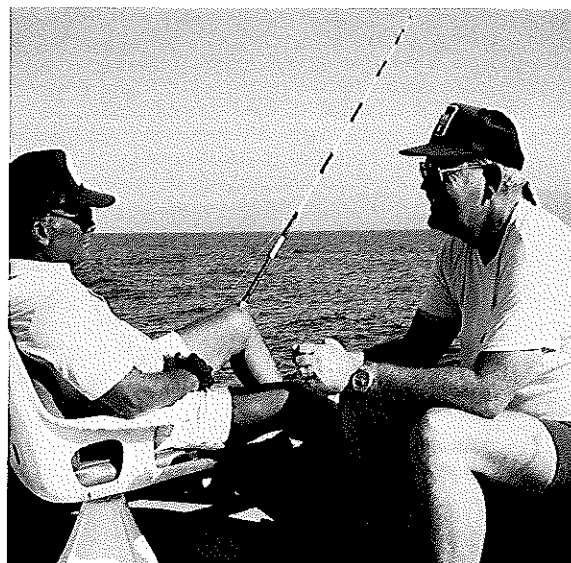
Practicing in the pool



48th Tournament
Party time with guest Inah Fujita from So. California

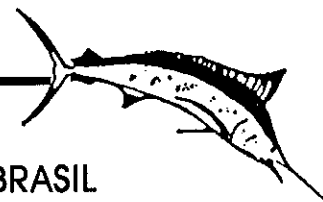


Ladies Day
This returning boat brought in one angler that was not in the tournament i.e., Sam Fujita (with wig and flowered shirt) and wife Inah.



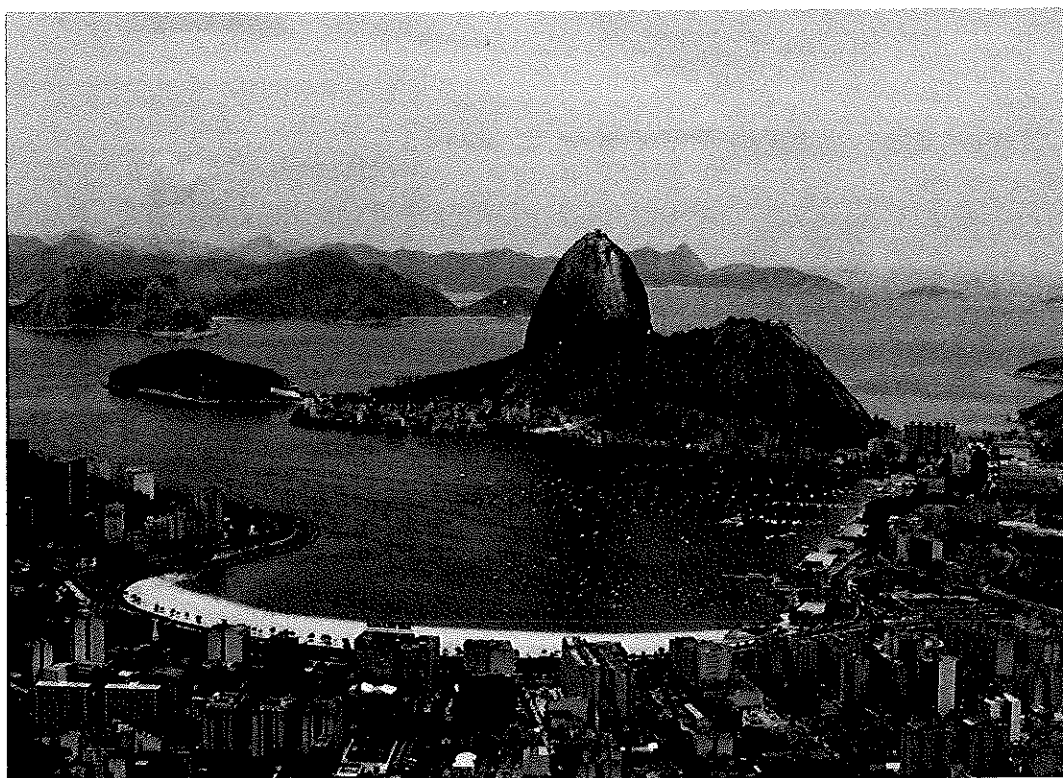
Pete Boinis from Maryland and Lee Nelson from California enjoying a day at sea.

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TOURNAMENTS HELD IN RIO DE JANEIRO, BRASIL

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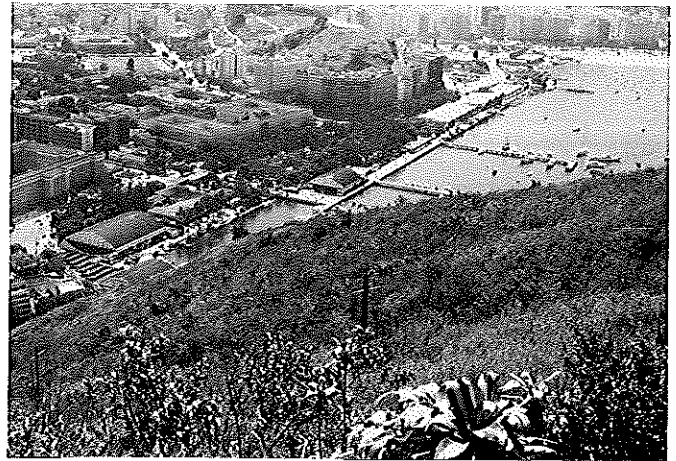


Rio de Janeiro
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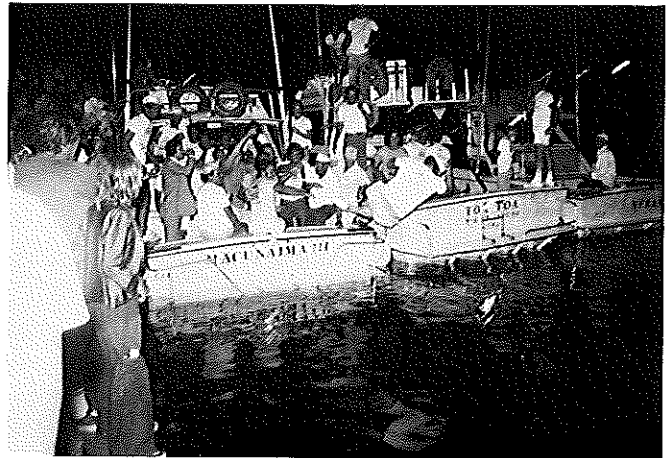
35th TOURNAMENT — 1977 — RIO DE JANEIRO



Yacht Club



Looking down on Yacht Club



Returning heros



John Haines and Elwood Harry presenting winning team with Big Belt Award and trophies

I.L.T.T.A. GENERAL CHAIRMAN

1st — The Gang of Four	(Acapulco, Mexico)	Host: Sailfish & Tarpon Club
2nd — Dr. Roy B. Dean	(Acapulco, Mexico) Nov. 1-3, 1946	Host:
3rd — Tucker McClure	(Panama) Aug. 28-30, 1947	Host: Pacific Sailfish Club of Balboa
4th — John Mahoney	(Miami, Florida) Nov. 17-19, 1948	Host: Rod & Reel Club of Miami
5th — Dr. George Chuck	(Acapulco, Mexico) Nov. 16-19, 1949	Host: So. California Tuna Club
6th — Charles Johnson	(Palm Beach, Florida) Jan. 6-13, 1951	Host: Sailfish Cons. Club of Palm Beaches West Palm Beach Fishing Club Sailfish Club of Florida
7th — Dr. George Chuck	(Acapulco, Mexico) Nov. 12-16 1951	Host: Tuna Club of Avalon, California
8th — Dr. Roy B. Dean	(Acapulco, Mexico) Nov. 18-21, 1952	Host: Sailfish & Tarpon Club
9th — John Rybovich, Jr.	(Palm Beach, Florida) Dec. 8-11, 1953	Host: Sailfish Cons. Club of Palm Beaches West Palm Beach Fishing Club Sailfish Club of Florida
10th — John Rybovich, Jr.	(Palm Beach, Florida) Jan. 10-14, 1955	Host: Sailfish Cons. Club of Palm Beaches West Palm Beach Fishing Club Sailfish Club of Florida
11th — Horace Witherspoon	(Mazatlan, Mexico) Nov. 18-21, 1952	Host: Balboa Angling Club of California
12th — Osbourn Owings	(Ocean City, Maryland) July 6-9, 1957	Host: Ocean City Light Tackle Club
13th — George Griffith	(Mazatlan, Mexico) April 29-May 2, 1958	Host: Pacific Anglers of California
14th — Pete Widener II	(Palm Beach, Florida) Jan. 6-9, 1959	Host: Sailfish Club of Florida
15th — L. T. Verner	(Acapulco, Mexico) Dec. 1-4, 1959	Texas Game Fishing Club
16th — John Rybovich, Jr.	(Palm Beach, Florida) Jan. 17-20, 1960	Host: Sailfish Club of Florida
17th — Hal Kenoyer	(San Diego, California) Sept. 19-22, 1961	Host: Pacific Anglers of California
18th — D. R. "Doc" Smith	(Duck Key, Florida) Dec. 4-7, 1962	Host: Cocolobo Cay Fishing Club
19th — Harvey Weil	(Mazatlan, Mexico) April 22-26, 1963	Host: Port Aransas Rod & Reel Club
20th — Carlton A. Smith	(Palm Beach, Florida) Jan. 14-17, 1964	Host: Sailfish Club of Florida
21st — L. T. Verner	(Acapulco, Mexico) Dec. 3-6, 1964	Host: Texas Game Fishing Club
22nd — Hector Casado	(Caraballeda, Venezuela) Sept. 22-26, 1966	Host: Caraballeda Golf & Yacht Club
23rd — Hector Casado	(Caraballeda, Venezuela) Sept. 22-26 1966	Host: Caraballeda Golf & Yacht Club
24th — James Kimberly	(Palm Beach, Florida) Jan. 16-20 1967	Host: Sailfish Club of Florida

25th — L. T. Verner	(Acapulco, Mexico) Nov. 30-Dec. 3, 1967	Host: Texas Game Fishing Club
26th — Tim Tate	(Cabo San Lucas, Baja) June 9-13 1968	Host: Pacific Anglers of California
27th — L. T. Verner	(Acapulco, Mexico) April 14-17 1969	Host: Texas Game Fishing Club
28th — James Kimberly	(Palm Beach, Florida) Jan. 19-23, 1970	Host: Sailfish Club of Florida
29th — Dr. Carlos Rojas	(Caracas, Venezuela) Sept. 22-27, 1970	Host: Club Pescadores Deportivos
30th — Felix H. McGinnis	(Cabo San Lucas, Baja) June 13-17, 1971	Host: Tuna Club of Avalon
31st — Manuel Matos	(Caracas, Venezuela) Sept. 13-17, 1972	Host: Caraballeda Golf & Yacht Club
32nd — Tim Tate	(Cabo San Lucas, Baja) June 17-21, 1973	Host: Pacific Anglers of California
33rd — J. L. "Mace" Mason	(Cabo San Lucas, Baja) June 9-13, 1974	Host: Huntington Harbour Anglers
34th — Gildo Bellini	(La Guaira, Venezuela) Sept. 23-29, 1975	Host: Club Laguna Beach
35th — Hello Barroso	(Rio de Janeiro, Brasil) Jan. 8-14, 1977	Host: Iate Clube do Rio de Janeiro
36th — Tim Tate Howard Ashby	(Cabo San Lucas, Baja) June 11-15, 1977	Host: Pacific Anglers of California
37th — Monty Padilla	(Acapulco, Mexico) Nov. 16-20, 1977	Host: Club Tepeyac Club Yates Acapulco Sailfish & Tarpon Club
38th — Nicanor Garcia	(La Guaira, Venezuela) Oct. 3-8, 1978	Host: Club Marina Mar
39th — Hello Barroso	(Rio de Janeiro, Brasil) Dec. 9-15, 1979	Host: Iate Club do Rio de Janeiro
40th — S.H. "Sam" Evert	(Palm Beach, Florida) Jan. 6-10, 1981	Host: Sailfish Club of Florida
41st — Jorge Innes	(Acapulco, Mexico) Nov. 18-23, 1981	Host: Club Tepeyac Club Yates Acapulco Sailfish & Tarpon Club
42nd — Alfredo Kowalski	(La Guaira, Venezuela) Oct. 19-24, 1982	Host: Playa Grande Yachting Club
43rd — Tom Homrighausen	(Cabo San Lucas, Baja) June 9-14, 1983	Host: Pacific Anglers of California
44th — Louis J. Robles	(Club Med, Sto. Domingo) June 11-16, 1984	Host: Club Nautico de Sto. Domingo
45th — Jose F. Alba	(Puerto Azul, Venezuela) Sept. 23-27, 1985	Host: Club Puerto Azul
46th — Jorge Martin S.	(Acapulco, Mexico) Dec. 2-7, 1986	Host: Sailfish & Tarpon Club Retario de Pesca Club de Yates de Acapulco Club Tepeyac de Caza y Pesca
47th — Jaak Rannik	(Cabeza del Toro, Sto. Domingo) May 22-27, 1987	Host: Club Nautico de Sto. Domingo
48th — Sebastian "Tito" Infanson	(Mayaguez, Puerto Rico) Sept. 19-24, 1988	Host: Puerto Rico Light Tackle Anglers
49th — Reinaldo Perdomo	(La Guaira, Venezuela) Oct. 21-26, 1989	Host: Playa Grande Yachting Club
50th — Jorge Rivera L.	(Acapulco, Mexico) Nov. 27-Dec. 3, 1990	Host: Sailfish & Tarpon Club of Mexico

I.L.T.T.A PAST PRESIDENTS

Note: At first there were only Chairmen (no presidents), and they were selected by the sponsoring club. In 1957, thanks to Jim O'Donnell, the Articles of Incorporation and By-Laws of the ILTA were formed. This was done at the 12th Tournament in Ocean City, Maryland.

12th — James O'Donnell, Jr. (East-USA)	31st — Felix H. McGinnis (West-USA)
13th — Horace Witherspoon (West-USA)	32nd — Manuel A. Matos (Venezuela)
14th — John Rybovich, Jr. (Florida)	33rd — Stanley D. Weiss (West-USA)
15th — H. L. Eichelberger (Texas)	34th — D. Otis Beasley (East-USA)
16th — Gar Wood, Jr. (Florida)	35th — Gene McCoy (East-USA) John Haines
17th — Art Hall (West-USA)	36th — J. Frank Mather III (Bahamas-Bermuda)
18th — Gar Wood, Jr. (Florida)	37th — Robert Herder (East-USA)
19th — Dr. Ernesto Chavez, Jr. (Mexico)	38th — Robert Herder (East-USA)
20th — James O'Donnell, Jr. (East-USA)	39th — Hello Barroso (Brasil)
21st — Ward E. Jewell (West-USA)	40th — J. L. "Mace" Mason (West-USA)
22nd — J. Adalberto Roig, Sr. (Puerto Rico)	41st — S. H. "Sam" Evert (Bahamas-Bermuda)
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29th — James H. Kimberly (Florida)	49th — Tom Homrighausen (West-USA)
30th — Dr. Roy B. Dean (Mexico)	50th — F. Thomas Westcott (East-USA)

ACTIVE CLUBS AS OF THE 50th TOURNAMENT

Year Admitted	
1985	Aruba Nautical Club
1960	Anglers Club of Washington, D.C.
1982	Aso. de Pesca Deportiva de Puerto Rico
1953	Atlantic Tuna Club — Rhode Island
1953	Balboa Angling Club — California
1985	Bucuti Yacht Club — Aruba
1985	Burbuja Fishing Team — Venezuela
1990	Cap Farrat Aso. de Pesca de Cancun — Mexico
1982	Capitanía Playa Grande — Venezuela
1958	Caraballeda Golf y Yacht Club — Venezuela
1973	Chub Cay Club — Florida
1973	Club Amateur de Pesca — Costa Rica
1967	Club Cabo San Lucas — Baja, California sur Mexico
1979	Club Laguna Mar — Venezuela
1990	Club Nautico de la Base Naval del Pacifico — Guatamala
1959	Club Nautico de San Juan — Puerto Rico
1975	Club Nautico de Sto. Domingo
1954	Club de Parada, Chubasco y Pesca — California
1990	Club de Pesca Barra de Navidad — Mexico
1970	Club Puerto Azul — Venezuela
1959	Club Tepeyac de Caza y Pesca — Mexico
1946	Club de Yates de Acapulco — Mexico
1965	Curacao Yacht Club — Netherland Antilles
1954	Del-Mar-Va Anglers, New Jersey
1978	El Faro de Puerto Azul — Venezuela
1960	Hatteras Marlin Club — No. Carolina
1970	Huntington Harbour Anglers — California
1953	Humacao Angling Club — Puerto Rico
1975	Iate Clube do Rio de Janeiro — Brasil
1956	Imperial Valley Anglers — California

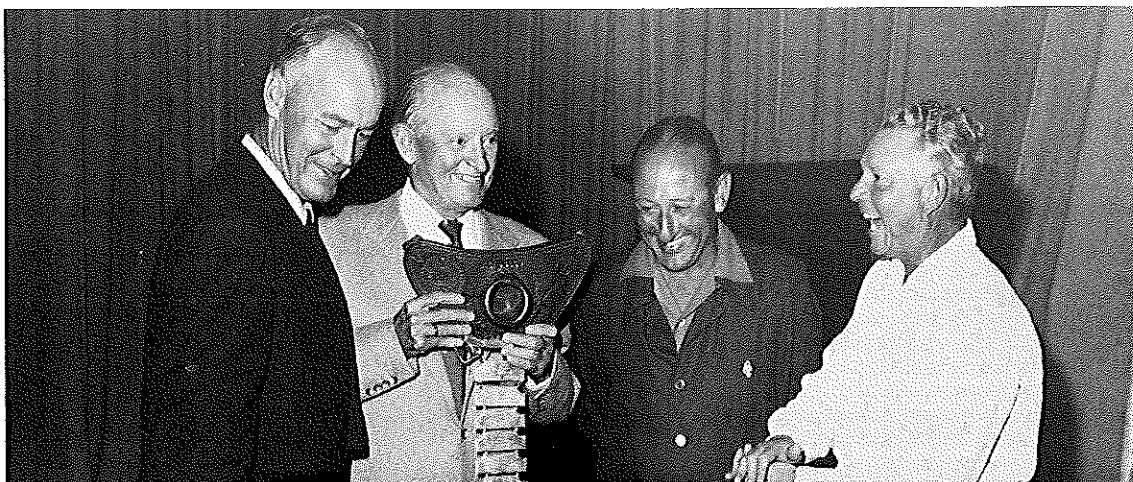
**Year
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1983	Islamorada Fishing Club — Florida
1990	Jupiter Inlet Offshore Fishing Club — Florida
1966	Laguna Beach Club — Venezuela
1965	Long Beach Yacht Club Anglers — California
1962	Marlin Club — California
1956	Marlin Conservation Club — Washington, D.C.
1953	National Capitol Game Fish Conservation Club — Virginia
1949	Ocean City Light Tackle Club — Maryland
1953	Ocean City Marlin Club — Maryland
1987	Ocean City, Maryland International Anglers — Maryland
1979	Old Port Yacht Club — Florida
1953	Pacific Anglers — California
1965	Playa Grande Yachting Club — Venezuela
1953	Port Aransas Rod & Reel Club — Texas
1964	Puerto Rico Light Tackle Anglers — Puerto Rico
1946	Rod and Reel Club — Florida
1950	Sailfish Club of Florida
1959	Sailfish Conservation Club of Palm Beaches — Florida
1946	Sailfish & Tarpon Club — Mexico
1946	Southern California Tuna Club — Mexico
1976	So. African Game Fish Assn. — So. Africa
1980	Spaanse Water Sport-Fishing Club — Netherland Antilles
1988	Spanish Water Fishing Club — Netherland Antilles
1985	Texas Tournament Angels — Texas
1989	Tortuguero Rod & Reel Club — Puerto Rico
1946	Tuna Club — California
1967	Union League Club of Chicago — Illinois
1965	Virgin Islands Game Fishing Club — US Virgin Islands
1950	West Palm Beach Fishing Club — Florida
1976	Yacht Club da Bahia — Brasil

A SPECIAL acknowledgement to the following anglers for their contributions and dedication, especially in the early years, to building the International Light Tackle Tournament Association the organization is has become today.

Otis Beasley	— Rules and strove for excellence
George Chuck	— Rules
Dr. Roy Dean	— Has kept us on an even keel in all things . . .
James Kimberly	— Generosity and entertainment
Jack Mahoney	— Knowledge of tournaments and procedure
Tucker McClure	— Solved all problems
Felix McGinnis	— Legal advisor
James O'Donnell	— Set up By-Laws
Adalberto Roig, Sr.	— Organization
John Rybovich	— Knowledge of history of tournaments
Juan Sutcliffe	— It was in his name in Mexico that the tournament was born and used as headquarters
Horace Witherspoon	— Advisor
Gar Wood	— Introduced ILTT to Venezuelan fishing

plus all the other early anglers that contributed in their own way.

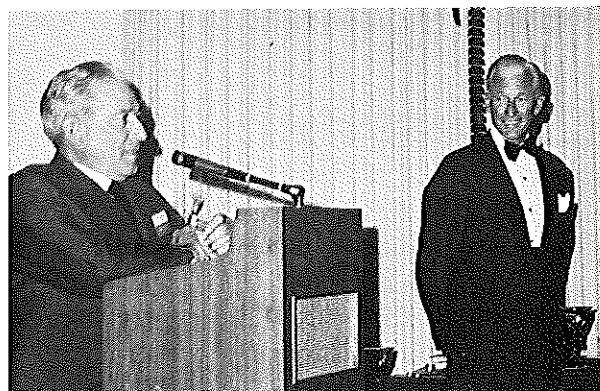


11th Tournament — Mazatlan — 1956

Left to right: Horace Witherspoon presents the Big Belt to the Salfish and Tarpon Club of Mexico . . . Dr. Roy Dean, Dr. Ernesto Chavez and Guy Daniels.



The Al Rolgs from Puerto Rico



Otis Beasley honoring Jim Kimberly of Miami Rod & Reel (Both these men did much in the organization and making ILT the "Top of the Line" in fishing tournament)



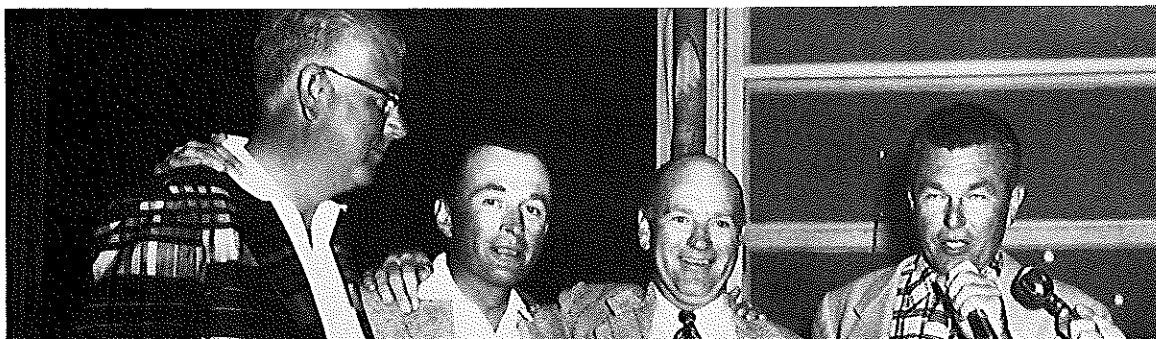
Tito Infanson and Bruno Rodriguez with other unknown guests



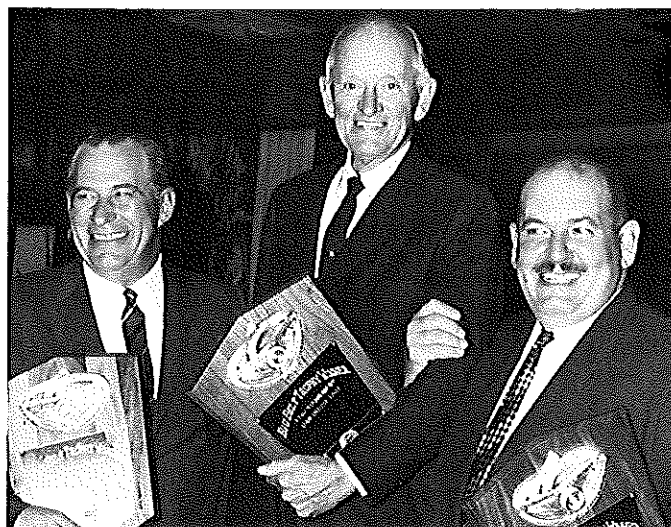
Joe Black of Texas, Otis Beasley of Washington and Roy Dean of Mexico began fishing the ILTTA at the 6th Tournament at the Palm Beaches and continued thru the 34th in Venezuela. No one was more influential in tournament management and standards. Picture taken at 17th Tournament in San Diego California.



A Washington lawyer and wife ??, Mr. & Mrs. Al Rolg, Jr., Al Rolg, Sr., ?? seated — ?? ??



12th Tournament — Ocean City, Maryland — 1956
Left to right: Alan M. Ferguson, James O'Donnell, Osborn Owings and John Rybovich, Jr.



Sailfish and Tarpon Club, winners of San Diego Tournament — 17th — 1961. Art Hall presenting plaques to Bill Plummer, Roy Dean, and Martin Urrutia.



Dade Thornton — one of our Tournament Photographers whose many pictures help put this book together.

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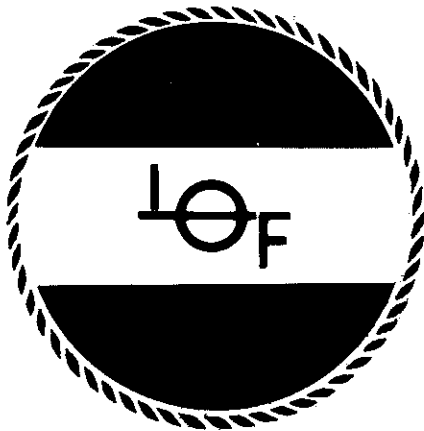
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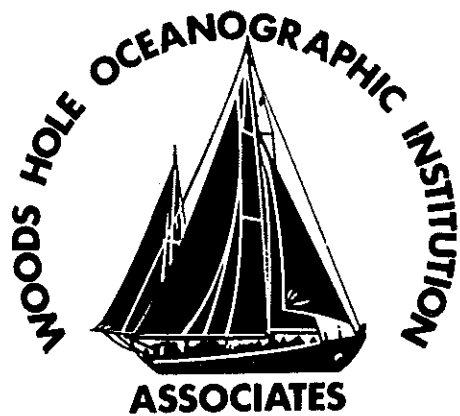
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