



# The Rooster Tails Fishing Club of Northern California, Inc.

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Please plan on attending the Rooster Tail's  
**ANNUAL FISHING CONTESTS AWARDS**  
**BREAKFAST MEETING**  
**Friday, January 18, 2019**














Rooster Tail Member, Spouse/Partner, and family are invited to this special Fishing Contest Awards breakfast meeting. Doors open at 7:00 a.m., breakfast at 8:00 a.m. and Awards Presentation at 9:00 a.m. We will have a super raffle and some surprises... see ya on Friday.

# Fishing Club

OF NORTHERN CALIFORNIA

## ANNUAL JACKPOT CONTEST

2018 2017

	LENGTH	WEIGHT	WATER	DATE	ANGLER	
	Kokanee	18"	1.75	WHISKYTOWN	9-8	B. MIERKY
	Landlocked Salmon	22 3/8"		OROVILLE	6-10	R. CORRAO
	River or Ocean King Salmon	38"	28lb	SACTO RIVER	10-18	M. MCKENDREE
	Striped Bass	34"		S.F. BAY	6-20	D. SOUDERS
	Rainbow Trout	24 1/2"	5.43	PON PEDRO R.	3-15	B. MIERKEY
	Brown Trout	27"	7lb 9oz	DONNER LAKE	8-22	R. NORTAM
	Steelhead	27 1/2"	9lb 7oz	AMERICAN RIVER	1-17	PETER ZITTERE
	Lake Trout (Mackinaw)	22"		DONNER LAKE	8-22	R. NORTAM
	Large Mouth Bass	23"	4lb 8oz	PRIVATE POND	8-28	Rik Cox
	Small Mouth Bass	19 1/2"	4lb 1/2oz	BERRYESSA	2-15	Rik Cox
	Catfish	28 1/2"		CLEARLAKE	11-18	MEL EWING
	Shad	19 3/4"		AMERICAN RIVER	6-23	GREG HICKS
	Croppie	14"		CAMP FAR WEST	5-21	SHAWN COULAN
	Sturgeon	34"		SACTO DELTA	11-18	MEL TAKAHASHI

Rooster Tails Fishing Club Annual Jackpot Fishing Contest **2018** RULES:

Rooster Tail Members in good standing may enter the Club's Annual Jackpot Fishing Contest by paying an entry fee of \$10.00 to the Contest Chairman or Club Treasurer. The payment must be made 2 weeks in advance of your entry and any time between the starting and ending contest dates.

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GRAND SLAM FISHING CHALLENGE						CONTEST DATE
CLUB MEMBER	22 3/4"	38"	12 1/2"	15"	28 1/4"	POSITION
MIC. MCKENDREE						
GREG HICKS						
SHAWN COULAN						
CHUCK MIERKEY						
BOB MIERKEY	25"	34"	13"	18"	28"	
ADAM KOWE						

Rooster Tail Member Grand Slam Fishing Challenge **2018** RULES:

January 1 - November 30. Striped Bass; Kokanee; Large Mouth Bass; Salmon (river or ocean) This is a fishing contest for Rooster Tail members in good standing with paid annual dues and a signed liability form on file with the club. The Grand Slam Fishing Challenge (GSFC) was created for club members with a higher degree of fishing skills, to focus on

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## Calendar of Events

**January 18**  
Breakfast meeting  
2018 Jackpot & Grand Slam  
Award Ceremony

**February 15**  
Breakfast Meeting  
Speaker—to be announced

## January 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		

## Annual Fishing Contests' Rules

### Annual Jackpot Contest Rules—continued

No fish-entry will be accepted without a two week prior entry fee. The contest runs from January 1 through November 30 and only fish caught within this term qualify for the contest. Contest cash prizes and recognition certificates will be awarded at the Rooster Tails Annual Member's Banquet in January of the following year. Contest entrants that do not have a winning Jackpot Contest fish will have a chance (blind bogey) to win a proportionate cash prize based on a random drawing at the banquet. Potential blind bogey winners must be present at the banquet to receive their prize.

Only the following fish species legally caught as defined by DF&W regulations in California inland waters or the ocean waters immediately adjoining the California coast or Delta qualify for an entry as listed on the Jackpot board: ☐ Kokanee ☐ Landlocked Salmon ☐ River or Ocean King Salmon ☐ Striped Bass ☐ Rainbow Trout ☐ Brown Trout ☐ Steelhead ☐ Lake Trout (Mackinaw) ☐ Large Mouth Bass ☐ Small Mouth Bass ☐ Catfish ☐ Shad ☐ Crappie ☐ Sturgeon.

Only the total length of the fish measured on a straight-line from the tip of the nose to the end of the longest lobe of the tail (except Sturgeon to be measured from the nose to the 'V' in the fork of the tail) is to be documented on a contest entry form. Ties for the same length fish species will split that share of the total cash for that species. Fish weight is only for informational purposes and no bearing on entry parameters. Contest entrants are encouraged to release all fish not intended to be kept for table-fare. Catch and release entries are to be confirmed with a photo and witnessed by a current member of the Rooster Tails Fishing Club. All final determination of Jackpot contest winners and the resolution of any conflicts is at the discretion of the Rooster Tail's Board of Directors.

The catch entry form along with a photo must be submitted to the Contest Chairman by hand, mail, or email within 30 days of the catch-date. Entry forms are available from the club web site under the club events tab and clicking on Jackpot contest. Verbal entry information will not qualify as an official Jackpot entry. The leading entries will be posted on the Jackpot Contest Board displayed at every third Friday breakfast meeting.



### Grand Slam Fishing Contest Rules—continued

specific fish species, and to compete to win one large single cash prize and Trophy. This club contest is based on contestants catching and submitting the lengths of only four (4) pre-determined fish species caught in California or adjoining California ocean waters. During the time frame, contestants submit successive entries of increased lengths over their prior catch in any of the four pre-determined fish species (LISTED ABOVE). The final combined total length of the four species by the end of the contest date determines a single winner of the GSFC, however the winning length contestant must have caught at least one of all four species. The standing of each contestant's length tally will be displayed on the GSFC score board at each breakfast meeting and published in the club's monthly newsletter.

1. The GSFC officially starts at safe light on the morning of January 1 and ends at sunset November 30. No fish entry will be accepted prior to the two week minimum entry lead-time.
2. A contestant may enter the GSFC any time during the contest period, but no later than two weeks before the contest ends by submitting a \$50.00 entry - fee dated check, no cash. Hence, the GSFC will be limited to 20 paid contestants, excluding fishing guides, by November 15 with an anticipated single cash prize and GSFC trophy presented at the Rooster Tail Annual Holiday Brunch.
3. All contest fish submitted as entries must be legally caught as per current DF&W regulations. Contest fish must be solely and independently hooked, fought, and landed without aid in any manner of another person. Netting assistance is allowed by a fishing partner.
4. Should a contestant have the longest combined length tally, but not all four designated species, it would preclude him/her from being the winner. The next combined total length contestant that caught all four designated species would win the contest. Should no contestant catch all four species by November 30th, the GSFC cash purse would be rolled over to the following year and added to the New Year's contest entry fees.
5. Catch and release is allowed, but all GSFC entries must be submitted with a photo of the total fish displayed on a ruler/tape measuring devise clearly showing its length. Since the GSFC contest is based on length of combination of four fish, no entry will be accepted without a photo and a verifiable credible witness as determined by the RT Board of Directors (BOD). Contest photos may be taken with cell phone and other cameras and e-mailed as an attachment to [ewingandasocs@regan.com](mailto:ewingandasocs@regan.com) or [info@roostertailsfishingclub.org](mailto:info@roostertailsfishingclub.org).
6. Any discrepancies, disputes, and determination of a contest winner is per the majority decision of the Rooster Tails BOD. At the discretion of the BOD, may choose to add additional funds or other incentives to the GSFC. The BOD reserves the right to make changes, additions, or cancellation of the GSFC and notify participants in writing.

**(PRINT A COPY OF THIS FORM AND KEEP IT IN YOUR TACKLE BOX OR BOAT!) Submit this completed form with a photo of the fish entry.**

A \$10.00 entry fee must be paid two-weeks prior to submitting a contest fish entry. The entry fee and a completed entry form are to be given to the Jackpot Chairman or Club Treasurer.

from \_\_\_\_\_. The fish length was \_\_\_\_\_ inches long; and  
(name of body of water, e.g. lake, river, Delta)

weighed \_\_\_\_\_ pounds/ounces; witnessed in the presence of \_\_\_\_\_  
*(Witnessed and Signature of RT member (preferred), DF&W, or Certified by a Bait/Tackle Store)*

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I would encourage all Rooster Tail members to join us to participate in our fishing contests for the following reasons:

1. The **Annual Jackpot Contest** is 'just for fun competition' and recognition by our club for having the good luck to catch a big fish! The rules are simple and require only \$10 bucks to enter the contest. Even a member that fishes only occasionally has a chance to win one or more of the 14 specie-categories. Any fishing trip you take may be the one with a **BIG FISH** that chooses you!
2. Due to multiple requests, the Rooster Tails Board of Directors created the **Annual Grand Slam Fishing Contest** for the more accomplished angler-member that fish frequently and wanted a more competitive contest with a big cash prize. Many of the rules are similar or the same between both contests, however the entry fee is \$50 dollars. It is important to read the rules for this contest with a potential pay-out of several hundred dollars.
3. Members can enter both the Jackpot and Grand Slam contests by paying the entry fees as per the written rules. Also be aware that one fish-entry can apply to both contests as long as two entry forms and photos are provided. **Photos of your catch and a completed entry form for both contests are required.** *Quality* photos provided from you will be submitted to *Western Outdoor News* and the *Fish Sniffer Magazine* for publication. Please be aware that to have a legal contest entry in either or both contests, you must have paid the **entry fee a minimum of (2) two-weeks** prior to submitting an entry. The Rooster Tails Board of Directors reserve the right to modify the contest rules with thirty days advance notification to participants.



## THE 32ND ANNUAL INTERNATIONAL SPORTSMEN'S EXPO IS COMING TO CAL EXPO, JANUARY 17-20.



Five buildings and 600+ exhibiting companies strong, ISE Sacramento is California's largest presentation of fishing and hunting products, sport-fishing boats, off-road vehicles and travel destinations. A dozen theaters, special features and demo areas host 200+ seminars, clinics and contests at this vast ISE.

Children under 16 and active military with ID enter for no charge. Pass on the outdoor tradition: take your children/grandkids to the weekend Youth Fair, now filling four buildings with hands-on activities at Expo Center.

**New** features include the Lowrance Electronics Learning Center, recommended for RT members. **HONDA MARINE** is the I.S.E. Show entry sponsor - when entering, sign up to win one of two Honda Marine BF2.3 HP motors, a BF9.9 HP Honda Marine motor or a Honda EU2200 Generator, plus daily Gear-Cash Cards.

**Hours:** Thur 11am – 8pm; Fri. 11am – 8pm; Sat 10am – 7pm; Sun 10am – 5pm

**Tickets:** Adult Admission - \$16.00; Youth under 15 and Active Military/I.D. – Veterans: Visit [Vettix.org](http://Vettix.org) for a pass (limited quantity).

**On-line advance ticket purchases** (Recommended to avoid long lines at the gate): <https://secure.interactiveticketing.com/1.8/8dbd6e/?s=ISE>



**Discount Coupons:** Available for pick-up without purchase from Big O Tires, O'Reilly Auto Parts, and Sportsman's Warehouse.

### **CAR POOL FROM THE ROOSTER TAILS BREAKFAST MEETING January 18<sup>TH</sup>.**

**Cal Expo Parking:** \$10 per vehicle (any number of occupants). Typically it is a long walk to the entry gate, wear good walking shoes and bring an umbrella (El Nino rain?). There is handicap parking. Car-pool with other RTs going to the ISE show by logging onto our web site at [www.roostertailsfishingclub.org](http://www.roostertailsfishingclub.org) and click on the **MEMBERS ONLY** password protected tab. It is located on the Rooster Tails web site opening page lower right hand corner to contact members near you. Don't remember the password? Email to [www.judyot@gmail.com](mailto:www.judyot@gmail.com) and type-in PASSWORD UPDATE. The password will be emailed back to you.

**California Fish and Wildlife Headquarters** (Pavilion): buy your 2019 discounted fishing and hunting licenses, talk with your State experts, get free materials.

**Visit the California Sportsmen Theater** (Pavilion), with hourly seminars by the region's top trout, salmon, steelhead, sturgeon and saltwater-species guides and anglers.

**Log-onto for ISE list of exhibitors**, CalExpo exhibition build hall map, Seminar speaker topic description: [www.sportsexpos.com/downloads/files/2019%20Show%20Programs/ISE\\_Sacramento\\_Program-](http://www.sportsexpos.com/downloads/files/2019%20Show%20Programs/ISE_Sacramento_Program-)