



# The San Diego Rod and Reel Club and Reel Club Take Kids Fishing!



On Sunday, the 14<sup>th</sup>, our club hosted 26 kids and 12 parents to a fun 1/2 day trip on the ECLYPSE out of Seaforth Landing. What a nice day. It started out with a few changes, one of those being no hot dogs as planned, but the 3 foot Subway sandwiches (that were not consumed at the YT tourney weigh-in) were enjoyed by kids, crew, and all. The water was almost flat, but so was the fishing as we started out.



Lots of fish were seen under the scanner, but just not biting. Most of the kids and parents had never fished before, so their enthusiasm kept them interested. A couple kids started hanging their heads on the rail, but we knew that as soon as the fishing picked up, and everyone was catching fish, that they'd get through the sickness. After about two stops, and no fish, we headed in closer to the kelp - that's when the bite happened....





Lou, Tom, Daryl, Mike and Billy were busy helping to catch and release fish, and untangle lines. Meanwhile, Lori helped the sick ones get outside to get fresh air and watch, which proved helpful as they ended up joining in and caught fish too. Parents were experiencing their first hook ups too. So, the day was successful, everyone had fun, and we have three or four families interested in joining our club.



This trip was paid for by our club with the money raised from the *Big Fish* tournament. We want to thank all of our members for their efforts to make this happen. As we approach the 2009 *Big Fish* tournament, please remember that the rewards from your participation go to making a difference in a child's life, as we saw on this trip. See you on the next one! Lori Byron

