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CLUB ETIQUETTE

MEETINGS

The monthly GENERAL MEETING is usually held on the second Wednesday of each month at 8pm. All members should endeavour to attend the meeting so as to keep up with club matters.

DRYCASTING

Casting is usually conducted on the first Sunday of each month. Instruction is given to all new members and a competition is conducted to improve and maintain the standard of our members casting.

FIELD DAYS

These normally follow each general meeting on the ensuing weekend. It is compulsory for anglers to attend both the sign-on and the weigh-in. Anglers who cannot attend the sign-on for work or other unavoidable reasons may make prior arrangements for a late sign-on. However, only under very exceptional circumstances will failure to attend weigh-ins not be penalised with the loss of points acquired during that field day.

It is the Field Day Officer's duty to inform the committee of any anglers who fail to attend the weigh-in. It is the committee's duty to decide what action is to be taken.

Disputes may be taken to the committee.

Entries for Game Fish Badge, Club Records and Open Fishing Competitions must be lodged with the Recorder within 30 days of capture.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Please notify the Treasurer and Reel Talk Editor of any change of address or phone number.

GENERAL ETIQUETTE

If you intend to resign from the club a letter of resignation should be forwarded to the Secretary. Please assist the Treasurer by paying your subscription with-in 28 days of the Annual General Meeting. Arrears of 3 consecutive months may cause forfeiture of membership.

CLUB ACTIVITIESAPRIL GENERAL MEETING

WHERE -M.Y.A.S.G. club rooms at the Inglewood Aquatic Centre,
Alexander Drive, Menora.
WHEN -WEDNESDAY 12TH APRIL 1995 at 8.00pm.
INSTRUCTION - John Curtis has consented to come along and give us a talk on
Solunor tides and charts and their relation to fishing.

APRIL DRYCASTING DAY

WHERE -YOKINE RESERVE, Corner Alexander Drive & Wordsworth Avenue.
WHEN -SUNDAY 2ND APRIL 1995, Be present by 8.30am.
EVENTS -112gram level line D/H Accuracy
112gram level line S/H Accuracy
There will be TWO Single Handed Distance Open events also. This is
to complete all events for 1994/5 season. Accuracy rigs will be \$2.00 not \$1.00 as previously
mentioned, for those needing them.

NEXT FIELD DAY

WHERE: OPEN.
WHEN : 15TH - 17TH APRIL, EASTER WEEKEND.
LINES DOWN: SATURDAY, 6.00 am.
SIGN ON: Phone in sign on to F.D.O. by 8.00 pm on the THURSDAY night
WEIGH IN: MONDAY at 9.00 am where ever you are. Results to be phoned to the
FDO by 8.00 pm on the Tuesday.
BOUNDARIES: nil.

FOLLOWING FIELD DAY

WHERE: ROTTNEST ISLAND.
WHEN : 13TH - 14TH MAY.
SIGN ON: 1130 hrs at the Caroline Thompson camp site prior to boarding the
bus
WEIGH IN: 1300 hrs Sunday immediately after arriving back at the camp site.
BOUNDARIES: nil.

LOCAL FIELD DAY FOR APRIL

WHEN: 15TH - 17TH APRIL, EASTER WEEKEND.
SIGN ON: Phone in sign on to F.D.O. by 8.00 pm on the THURSDAY night.
LINES DOWN: SATURDAY, 6.00 am.
WEIGH IN: MONDAY by 9.00 am at G. Holman's house. Scales will be available on
his back patio. Weights must be witnessed by a adult. F D Money to be
left with the scales in an envelope with name. Results to be phoned
into the F D officer by 8.00 pm that night.
BOUNDARIES North Mole to Due's

LOCAL FIELD DAY FOR MAY

WHEN: 13TH - 14TH MAY.
SIGN ON: Phone in sign on to F.D.O. by 8.00 pm on the FRIDAY night.
LINES DOWN: SATURDAY, 1.00PM
WEIGH IN: MONDAY by 12.00 am at G. Holman's house. Scales will be available on
his back patio. Weights must be witnessed by a adult. F D Money to be
left with the scales in an envelope with name. Results to be phoned
into the F D officer by 8.00 pm that night.
BOUNDARIES North Mole to Yanchep

NEW MEMBERSHIP OFFICER

To help with the smooth running of applications for membership in nomination,
fees, protocol, formal application and flow-through, and to make the exercise a pleasant one
for the new members, we have given the responsibility to Ian Pilton to oversee this.
Nominations may be lodged with any committee person.



Editorial...

There doesn't seem to be a month go by that there isn't a bereavement or two which I need to mention and this month is no exception. One of our earlier club members and presidents of this club in Bob Tucker passed away after an illness and to his family, and in particular his son Mark (who was also a past member) I extend condolences on behalf of the Surfcasters. There is an article about Bob elsewhere in this issue.

Our social organiser Murray Shaw, his wife Debbie and family suffered a recent loss on the 15th March when Murray's mother passed away at home. The club extends its heartfelt condolences to you all on your bereavement.

This month has seen a good contribution of articles from club members in Tony Holland, Bob Hardie and Derry Barber and a thought provoking one from Rolly McKay who is with the Queensland Museum and an old club member who keeps in touch at regular intervals. He specialised in researching the Whiting species. I thank them all for their contributions as it sure makes interesting reading and gives you all a rest from my reteric.

On behalf of the club I would like to extend best wishes to all club members (and others) who have qualified for the various State teams competing in Geraldton at this time. I hope their efforts are rewarded and thank the club for its support during the selection process. I hope we have a lot to report on in our next "Reel Talk" on the successful achievements of all concerned.

Our recent Bluff Creek field day was once again enjoyed by a good number of members but a larger attendance would have been even better. The weather was not as kind this time with a fairly strong wind blowing but the fish were there. After you all left on the Monday, Hans Wytenberg and his son Karl along with my wife Kaye, enjoyed a beautiful day and to rub salt into the wound, when we left on the Tuesday the weather was even better. Talking about wounds, guess who had to pull a hook out of Hans Wytenberg's finger? Hans kept right on fishing after the operation!

Next meeting will see the confirmation of our venues for the 1995/6 competition year, the open section and also casting. The new competition year starts on May 1st, so let's all attend these and participate as much as possible.

Murray Shaw, our social organiser, has started to arrange our annual dinner and dance, to be held at the Wembley Lodge on Saturday 24th June, 1995 which is our "big night at which all the trophies etc are awarded for achievements over the last year. Make sure you reserve this date. If you wish to donate a trophy please see Eric Parker and he will be happy to receive some.

At the rear of this issue is a small article on a "New Application Form" along with the form for you to pull out fill in, and then give these to President Sid at our next meeting or the one thereafter...but please do it! The article explains the reasons why and there are numerous and most beneficial to the club and its members.

Ian Cook is off on an overseas trip to South Africa soon to shoot the rapids, climb that mountain and generally take in the sights for nearly three months so I take this opportunity to wish him an enjoyable holiday on your behalf.

Mal and Jenny Head are off again touring our North for three months or so...lucky h.....s!!

Make sure if you go away for a fishing trip that you get an Open Entry Form from our Recorder Dave Maxted as he would be delighted to receive an entry in our Open Section upon your return.

VALE ALAN STEPHENSON

The club wishes to extend its sincere condolences to the family of the late Alan Leslie Stephenson at their recent sad loss.

Alan was one of the characters of the club and made a lot of friends who enjoyed his company. His health deteriorated over a period resulting in the loss of a leg which severely curtailed his activities but he still managed to make our Christmas function a couple of years ago. We will miss his laughter and mirth.



BLUFF CREEK FIELD DAY MARCH 1995

Friday the third of March 1995 saw the beginning of what proved to be an exciting and enjoyable long weekend. Our crew consisted of Ian Cook, Derry Barber and Young Bob Henderson who's back strap and kidney belt was about half the size of his smile when we picked him up. One often wonders where the gear comes from which in our case included prawn baits cut to size, dipped in whale oil and rolled in pollard and icing sugar (prior to being frozen) and for the human variety, Chinese speciality herbs, spices, oils and saki. The six hour trip is well worth it when you sight and drive through the fresh water creek and up the dunes to pick your camping spot with fresh flowing water at your feet. Saturday afternoon was fierce with 28 knot winds and 3 metre swells combined with long sand banks and the need for a cast of at least eighty metres or 100 plus for the prime spots with a heavy drift to contend with and at least 6oz sinkers required. Alan Brayne was the champion on Saturday picking up his bag limit by lights out. Our appetites were wet by the stories and fish to prove it caught by the pre Bluff Creek excursion consisting of Mark Philpot, Darryl Halton, Rom Niciejewski, Morris Kolman and Ron Thompson. Their pleasure could be our gain with the discovery of a new fishing spot which produced a 5.5k Blue Morwong, Great Skippy, 4.8k salmon and for the Palate, succulent large Whiting, plus numerous Samson Fish which were released. The magic spot is Cooder/Murrup Beach, 53k from Northcliffe and about the same distance from Perth as Bluff Creek. There is a sheltered bay in which large Whiting abound and were so thick that every third cast resulted in a double header and has to be a must for consideration in our field day agenda list. We were graced by Lady Kaye Holman to whom George now owes one dinner out, one show and 3 casino all nighters for the pleasure of her company. It didn't however all go Kaye's way as a little educational camping experience occurred which made everyone's day with the possible exception of Kaye. Just imagine the segmented tent with the washing Kaye at one side and noisy revellers at the other when the dainty Kaye with an expert flick of her wrist sped a spurt of water directly at a naked globe which resulted in what sounded like a gunshot and a screeching Kaye wanting to know what George had done now. All however ended well with the male predominance prevailing and one additional casino night added to the list. Sunday night proved to be the prime fishing time particularly on the flat reef which produced some big skippy, giant herring and the odd Brim and flathead. There was a lesson to be learned fishing in these rough conditions which in the case on the reef was a 2oz sinker, large burley cage, sticky burley (special mix of minced fish/prawns, rolled in whale oil and pollard then frozen) and a 15 foot rod to avoid as much as possible hookups on the reef lip and over the smashing waves. Although a heavier sinker kept the line taught and on the bottom the fish preferred the moving bait in the rough swells. 2oz spoons although ideal for skimming to avoid hook ups on the reef lip were moving to fast in the water and as such it was worth the occasional lost rigs to use a 2oz star and to be able to spiral down towards the bottom and tempt the fish. The rough conditions meant that few bites (that is definite bites) were felt with the slackness in the line being the Teltale sign that something down there was taking your bait for a waltz. The average bag weighing was 5k with a mixture of in the main skippy, herring, Pilch, Brim flathead and Whiting. Winner of the field day was Derry Barber who promptly won the job of writing the field day report. Some of the members took a 4W Drive trip to Cheynes Beach and explored the surrounding areas which was not as good as bluff for fishing purposes. Unfortunately Ian Mascarenhas did in a tyre and managed to duplicate that event also on the way out. Think of the next trip Ian, more fish, and less rubber. Greg Buck (never to be seen) dived all weekend into his sleeping bag and surfaced with a yawn at the weigh in and obviously had a relaxing weekend. Bluff Creek is undoubtedly one of the top club field days with the usual Barbecue and great fishing and fellowship. May there be many more weekends for all of us to enjoy time outdoors and be able to bring home a feed. We decided to take a detour on the way home and traversed the Stirling Ranges via Red Gum Road which is 42k of gravel and well endowed with tourist buses and magnificent scenery we were tempted to try our skills at rock climbing particularly when Cooky is going to climb MT Kilumanjaro May/June this year. Time however (thank god said Bob) was against us so we simply enjoyed the scenery and reflected on the enjoyable moments over the long weekend and looked forward to future trips.

CANS CANS CANS

Don't think that because Mal Head in on holidays (AGAIN) with his wife Jenny that you can have a leave pass on bringing in your collection of cans for our club trophy fund. Mal is too smart for that as he has arranged for Bob Henderson and Pat McCormick to collect them so please bring them along to our general meetings and give them to the boys.

President's Report

Hi all. Well, the nationals are nearly on us, and a number of Surfcasters are gearing up to try our skills in Geraldton in the fishing and casting. A lot of the organising of this event is being done by a few Surfcasters too, in particular Peter and Sharon Osborne, and George Holman. Others are getting involved with marshalling events during the competition (eg Bob Henderson), and still others have been preparing gear like sinkers, etc. I haven't got all the names yet, but I'll try and make sure I do by next report, because they all deserve due recognition of their efforts. Meanwhile, the best of luck to all our competitors!

We have the opportunity to take over the running of the annual fishing clinic as a fund-raiser. Why raise more funds when we are already looking extremely healthy? Well, it was agreed in principle by the February meeting that the club ought to have a long term goal of obtaining access to fishing grounds by means of appropriate leases, etc, etc. And that would take money. And in general, it is certainly not going to do us any harm at all to build up the piggy bank a little more. One school of thought is that if we stop raising funds for a while, we will get out of the habit, get lazy, forget how to do it, etc, and one day suddenly find ourselves very low on funds, and unable to react quickly enough to counter the problem. Another school of thought (to which I subscribe) is that things don't change that quickly, and we'd have plenty of warning of dwindling bank balances, and time enough to get back into fund-raising mode. But whichever school you belong to, the fact remains that it can't be a bad idea to do occasional fundraising just so long as you have the volunteers to put in the work. And I think the last Expo showed we have no shortage of members happy to do their bit. So, getting back to the clinic, if we do it, it won't necessarily be in the same 6 night format. In fact, there's nothing to stop us doing it any way we want! I've written to Pat Strahan (the Expo organiser) asking for her thoughts on the possibility of doing a cross between the Expo and the clinic - run by SCACWA. For instance, we could run several repeated half day seminars at a venue with lots of seating, an open area suitable for casting demos, even a pool suitable for fish playing and gaffing and lure demos, and a decent PA system. We could combine theory type lectures with our Expo-style practical demos, use audience volunteers, etc, etc. With the kind of marketing that Strahans can provide, it could be VERY INTERESTING. And that's just one possibility - stay tuned.

Thanks to the few members who gave us suggestions for next year's field days. In most cases we were able to weave them into the list. And it's a nice interesting looking list with a bit of old and a bit of new, something to look forward to.

King George

BEREAVEMENT

The club wishes to extend its condolences to Murray and Debbie Shaw and family at the recent sad loss of Murray's mother. Her passing was sudden and unexpected and our thoughts are with you.

NOTICE OF MOTION

The following notice of motion for a species competition for State Beach Championships for a trial period of 12 months has been recommended by a special committee set up to look at this project. We ask you to read this and the matter will be discussed at our next general meeting:

MOTION - Species Competition: Rock & Beach

That for a trial period of one year from August 1st 1995 for the current State Titles Rock & Beach competition, the current rules pertaining to point scoring be put aside and the following system be adopted. After one year the system to be reviewed for maintaining modifying or reverting to the current rules ie:

- * A maximum of fifty (50) fish in any combination of the nominated species, within the one day bag limit of the Fisheries Dept rules shall apply

- * Points to be on the basis of:-

- 1 point per fish
- 10 points for each of the nominated species
- 8 points per kilo

- * The nominated list of species to be drawn from listing in Attachment "A", whereupon the Club hosting the event can modify to suit the competition/venue/changes to Fisheries Dept Rules.

FIELD DAY RESULTS

VENUE: BLUFF CREEK

DATE: 4 TH - 6 TH MARCH 1995.

ATTENDANCE: SENIORS: 23 VISITORS: 2
 JUNIORS: 2 TOTAL: 28
 M-JUNIORS: 1

TOTAL FISH WEIGHT: 59.95kg



NAME	POINTS	WEIGHT	POINTS	WEIGHT	
BARBER DERRY	160	7.0	SAYER GARRY	77	1.7
HOLMAN GEORGE	153	7.3	MASCARENHAS IAN	52	0.2
BRAYNE ALAN	148	4.8	HENDERSON BOB	40	0.0
BRAYNE PHIL	142	7.2	MORRIS WAYNE	40	0.0
MC CORMICK PAT	140	6.0	MORRIS RONDA	40	0.0
WYTENBURGH HANS	128	5.8	THOMPSON RON	40	0.0
BENNETT JOHN	116	3.6	HOLLAND TONY	40	0.0
COOK IAN	108	4.8	NICKEJEWSKI ROM	30	0.0
KOLMAN MORRIS	97	3.7	HOLMAN KAY	30	0.0
PHILPOT MARK	91	3.1	BUCK GREG	30	0.0
HALTON DARRYL	89	1.9	TAGGART IAN	20	0.0
BENNETT ELEANOR	79	0.9			

M/JUNIOR	POINTS	WEIGHT	JUNIOR	POINTS	WEIGHT
WYTENBURG KARL	56	0.6	TAGGART BRETT	35	0.5
			TAGGART GRANT	20	0.0

VISITORS	POINTS	WEIGHT
KEEFOO	30	0.0
CURTIS JOHN	30	0.0

FIELD DAY PRIZES

BEST BAG OF SCALE FISH.	DERRY BARBER	MIXED	7.0kg
HEAVIEST SCALE FISH.	BRAYNE ALAN	SALMON	0.7kg

SPORTSMAN OF THE YEAR POINTS

BEST BAG OF SCALE FISH.	DERRY BARBER	MIXED	7.0kg
HEAVIEST SCALE FISH.	BRAYNE ALAN	SALMON	0.7kg
BEST M/JUNIOR BAG.	WYTENBURG KARL	MIXED	0.6kg

SENIOR TOP TEN

Dalonzo Tony	1552
Cook Ian	965
Bennett John	925
McCormick Patrick	871
Brayne Alan	854
Wytenburgh Hans	806
Holton Darrell	773
Kolman Morris	597
Brayne Phil	553
Barber Derry	549

JUNIOR TOP FIVE

Taggart B.	136
Pilton S	127
Whiting Debbie	123
Mascarenhas Vivien	118
Neal Ian	86

M/JUNIOR TOP FIVE

Wytenburg Karl	199
Whitting Darren	168
Taggart G	105
Neal Ian	56
Gardener Robert	20

GEAR FOR ROTTNEST TRIP

You are asked to make sure that all your gear is packed or stored in SECURE containers or bags and are clearly marked with your name and that no sharp objects are protruding. If it looks like rain make sure bags with clothing etc can not get wet!

BLUFF CREEK WEEKEND

Friday's forecast: Rain in the city! Bluff Creek is looking good. The first campers arriving under cloudy skies and with a chilly wind gathering strength, decided that Mt Barker Off-shore Club's shack was the place to roost, at least overnight.

Eight in number, they were confident they would outweigh any counter-claim to the shelter, even from the Mt Barker Club, (reputed to have 2 members at the last field day). Besides, they reasoned that any local contenders would be aware of the storm which was brewing, and think twice about setting out on Friday afternoon. A few intrepid campers weathered the night's storm in tents; but most arrived on Saturday and by "sign-on" at 1:00pm, there were 3 groups of tents set up. Fortunately the weather improved as the weekend went on.

We never fail to be amazed at how newcomers miraculously reach their destination following the directions in Reel Talk. I suppose after travelling over 500kms, it is sheer determination which sees them through the final 20-30kms checking the odometer, adding, back-tracking, subtracting, rechecking and rereading, till they stumble on what must be the unmarked entrance to the track and decide to take a punt.

Some of the gang had brought nets for koonac trapping in the lake. So this is how they occupied themselves on Saturday morning prior to the serious business of competition fishing after sign-on; and netted a tidy haul to be cooked and eaten as an entree that night. But what did they catch?.... If gilgies are koonacs and koonacs are gilgies and gilgies in Victoria are called yabbies and gilgies chase marron....if the critters themselves are uncertain how can we be expected to know?....And if marron and yabbies and gilgies and koonacs turn red when you cook them, and taste good when you eat them, who gives a damn?!

Were you a farm boy? Or did your parents have to take you aside to tell you about the birds and the bees when you were coming up for your first pair of long 'uns'? And did you wonder what the heck the birds and bees had to do with talk that followed?...We worked out the connection with the birds: With all those feathers it must be hard for the boys to recognise the girls, but did you ever hear of "gay" birds (eg pouter pigeons)?....And Bluff Creek explained the riddle of the bees rating a mention in the sex lesson:....One "Ladies" and one "Gents" being available to a party of 1 woman and 7 blokes, the inevitable happened, and one male member of the group, caught short, decided to use the "Ladies". Unbeknown to him, bees had made themselves a hive there. Stirred up by the inappropriate, unfamiliar sight and aroma they stung him on the stern!....Now don't tell me bees don't know which way is up!

The social highlight of the week-end was to be the Sunday lunch BBQ, enjoyed by Bandit to the exclusion of many others.

Monday dawned fair, warming up just when most of us were due to head for home. Fishing enthusiasts were able to do some last-minute fishing and some good catches were registered. But, take it from me, thanks to the generosity of certain club members, it is not always those who catch most who go home with the biggest supply of fish!...Thanks guys!!

P.S. Some of us never did get to put up our tents (eg Yours truly with the bad back, an aversion to wind, with the woman who was 'winged'). We were most grateful that the Mt Barker boys did not turn up. And rest assured, we'll keep the reputation of SCAC intact by sending a donation and a letter of thanks to PO Box 72, Mt Barker - for the use of their hut.

Tony Holland

PROPOSED LIST OF FIELD DAYS FOR 1995 -1996

MAY	13th - 14th	Rottnest Island
JUNE (LWE)	3th - 5th	Greenough / Kalbarri in 1995
JULY	15th - 16th	Cape to Cape
AUGUST	12th - 13th	Dewars to Moore River
SEPTEMBER	16th - 17th	Rottnest
OCTOBER (LWE)	30th Sept - 2nd Oct.	Peaceful Bay Area
NOVEMBER	11th - 12th	Hill River
DECEMBER	16th - 17th	White Hills
JANUARY	6th - 7th?	Mandurah 500 combined with the January Field Day
FEBRUARY	11th - 12th	Wedge Island
MARCH (LWE)	4th - 6th	Bluff Creek
APRIL	State Rock and Beach Titles in Esperance? Combined with a week long club trip.	

These field days will be voted on at the April general meeting

FIELD DAY COMPETITION 1994 - 1995.**MARCH 95****SECTION.**

1. HEAVIEST SCALE FISH (1st 6mths)	TONY DALONZO	MULLOWAY	14.15kg
1. HEAVIEST SCALE FISH (2nd 6mths)			
3. MOST MERITORIOUS FISH			
4. HEAVIEST SHARK (4.5kg Min)			
5. HEAVIEST MULLOWAY (1kg Min)	TONY DALONZO	MULLOWAY	14.15kg
6. HEAVIEST TAILOR (1kg Min)	KOLMAN MORRIS	TAILOR	1.77kg
7. HEAVIEST SALMON (3kg Min)	DARREL HOLTON	SALMON	5.25kg
8. HEAVIEST TREVALLY (1kg Min)			
9. HEAVIEST MACKEREL	GEORGE HOLMAN		3.35kg
10. HEAVIEST BAG SCALE FISH	MARK PHILPOT	SALMON	17.15kg
11. HEAVIEST BAG OF MULLOWAY	TONY DALONZO	MULLOWAY	14.15kg
12. HEAVIEST BAG OF TAILOR	D ALONZO TONY		3.05kg
13. HEAVIEST SCALE FISH S/H/ROD 4kg or 9lb b/s line (max)	MARK PHILPOT	SALMON	4.05kg
14. HEAVIEST SCALE FISH OTHER THAN SECTIONS 3 - 9,13 (2kg Min)	PAT McCORMICK	JEWFISH	10.15kg

Please note fish are not to be presented at the weigh-in in plastic bags. Fish quality will deteriorate extremely quickly in plastic containers unless in a frozen state.

ROTTNEST NOTE.

- All gear is to be in strong weather proof containers with lids as your gear may have 100 kgs of esky's etc on top of it. No loose gear to be loaded into crates.
- If it is wet weather your gear will arrive wet at camp as the gear is unloaded onto a flat top open truck for transport.
- Label your gear clearly with your name. Yellow and black ribbon to identify SCAC gear will be available.
- If you arrive late at the terminal to load your gear it will not be allowed on the ferry as we get special crates supplied which get loaded first.
- Protect your rods with stockings rod bags etc and especially the tips.
- Remember the money needed to be paid at the April General Meeting when details about the agenda will be given.

OPEN COMPETITION

- MOST MERITORIOUS FISH**
- HEAVIEST SHARK - (4.5KG MIN)**
- HEAVIEST MULLOWAY - (3.0KG MIN)**
M SHAW 9.5KG - 10 KG (L) FALSE ENTRANCE
- HEAVIEST SALMON - (3.0KG MIN)**
- HEAVIEST DHUFISH**
G HOLMAN, 5.00 KG, 15KG LINE, MULIE, 3/5.0 RIG, FALSE ENTRANCE
- HEAVIEST TAILOR - (1.0KG MIN)**
D MAXTED 4.45KG - 9KG (L) CRAYFISH BAY
- HEAVIEST SAMSON FISH**
- HEAVIEST SCALE FISH - S/H ROD (4KG OR 9lb LINE MAX)**
G HOLMAN TAILOR 3.25KG - 4KG (L) FALSE ENTRANCE
- HEAVIEST PINK SNAPPER**
G HOLMAN 5.0KG - 9KG (L) FLASE ENTRANCE
- HEAVIEST TARWHINE - (SILVER BREAM)**
- HEAVIEST MACKEREL**
G HOLMAN 17.5KG - 10KG (L) FALSE ENTRANCE
- HEAVIEST TREVALLY - (SOUTHERN 1.0KG MIN)**
- HEAVIEST TREVALLY - (NORTHERN 1.0KG MIN)**
M HEAD (GOLDEN) 7.0KG 25LB (L) CAPE LEVEQUE
- HEAVIEST SNOOK/PIKE**
- HEAVIEST SCALE FISH - OTHER THAN SECTIONS 2-14 (2.0KG MIN)**
P BRAYNE SEA KING 13.0KG - 10KG (L) FALSE ENTRANCE



MARCH DRYCASTING

Hi Everybody

March drycasting had a small turnout but competitive none the less. First of all, congratulations must be passed on to Garry Guildersleeve who broke the state record in the Double Handed accuracy component with a score of 167 (previous best was 166) congratulations Garry from all the drycasting members.

A couple of enthusiastic visitors joined in on the day and made statements about learning lots with their own beach gear, club members and visitors and those wishing to get tips on casting or improving themselves are welcome to come along and either join in the day's casting or to get instruction on casting methods and actions, etc after the main meet from any of the participating casters. (That's what we're there for).

Easterly winds restricted distance casting once again but as far as Hans Wytenburg is concerned, nothing could dampen his enthusiasm after casting 135 metres and outdoing George Holman in the last cast of the day in the 112gm open. Well done Hans, I'll teach you more later!! Ha!

Jeff Sullivan had his birthday on the Saturday night prior to drycasting Sunday and in anticipation of the big event passed over the reigns for the day. I hear that the night went off well. Happy 21st (again) Jeff?!

Thanks to Mal Head, Bob Henderson and Ron Thompson for your assistance on the day. Next casting is on Sunday, 2nd April commencing 8:30am sharp. This will be the last opportunity for those going to Geraldton to practice.

Note: Tow (2) single handed open distance events will be held on this day. Good luck to all teams participating in any of the events (Go get 'em).

Ian Pilton (ADCO)

DATE: 12/5/95	112 GRAM			56 GRAM Art Bait			D.H.	S.H.	DAY
NAME	1	2	TOTAL	1	2	TOTAL	ACC	ACC	TOTAL
SENIORS									
R THOMPSON	-	-	-	-	-	-	106	8	114
I PILTON	-	101	10	90	-	9	69	17	105
G GUILDERSLEEVE	120	118	24	-	101	10	167	19	220
H WYTENBURG	122	122	24	-	-	-	56	4	84
I COOK	110	119	23	95	102	20	74	13	130
G HOLMAN	127	129	26	106	102	21	134	22	203
VETERANS									
A THORGERSON	78	82	16	-	69	7	95	4	122
M HEAD	-	93	9	-	-	-	110	23	142
J STRONG	99	103	20	20	86	11	70	6	107
T STAM	78	79	16	40	25	6	51	10	83
T D'ALONZO	111	108	23	103	-	10	145	15	193
R THORPE	104	98	20	81	86	17	122	10	169
LADIES									
B WHITING	-	-	-	-	76	8	80	5	93
P D'ALONZO	100	89	19	90	88	18	89	22	148
C THORPE	63	-	6	66	16	8	26	10	50
JUNIORS									
S PILTON	91	88	18	-	73	7	100	8	133
112 GRAM WINNER	G HOLMAN			27	PTS				
ARTIFICIAL BAIT WINNER					PTS				
56 GRAM WINNER - VETS	G HOLMAN			21	PTS				
D/H ACCURACY WINNER	G GUILDERSLEEVE			167	PTS		Record		
S/H ACCURACY	M HEAD			23	PTS				
112 GRAM OPEN WINNER	H WYTENBURG			135	PTS				
S/H OPEN DIST WINNER					PTS				
WINNER OF THE DAY	G GUILDERSLEEVE			220	PTS				
JUNIOR WINNER	S PILTON			133	PTS				

THANKS FROM MARK TUCKER

On behalf of my father I thank all those of you that were involved in his days at the club. We both have nothing but great memories of our time spent with you all. Dad's ashes are to be thrown in the Ocean at Kalbarri - the place he loved so much. I hope Dad's spirit will live on in the fishing knowledge that he has passed down to many of us.

KALBARRI REPORT

Hi there you lot, from the hot and sweaty mob up here. The weather up here has been putrid, even the wind has been against us, blowing from the east and bringing with it the flies, the type that get into your eyes, ears and while you're swatting these with both hands, you thank god you've got your pants on. I think that is why the indigenous people hold corroborees in the evenings - to get rid of the flies by slapping themselves with gum leaves and the mad waving of arms and stamping of the feet.

Anyhow enough of that nonsense. The fishing has once again got started - just after the Whittings had left - with their bruises - Jumbo tailor are being caught north of the Blue Holes to Chinaman's Rock - but you have to be an early riser (day break) - Don't seem to arrive at dusk. The usual sizes are being caught at Wittecarra. Wageo north and also at Red Bluff right at the beach at the car park.

After the dredging of the river the Mulloway don't seem to be around so much, but the river is producing Blue manner crabs, a few muddies and some real good size bream to 2kg. Plenty of sand whiting around the spit. Out offshore spanish spotted mackerel and blue fin tuna along with their yellow fin mates are giving lures hard time and the sports shops a good living. Sharks are also a health problem.

Our ultra light boat competition which was held late in Jan produced the usual mixed bags: one, two and a new line class of 3kg line were only used: A lady competitor by the name of Val Carter hooked up a Yellow Fin Tuna of 11.7 kg which is a pending record. Its amazing that she landed this fish; not just because of the sharks but because beforehand she had wound 500 metres of 2kg line on the spool to make up the depth of the spool - then wound on another 500 metres of the 3kg line - luckily she tied it on! Food for thought hey?! When the fish took the small purple lure it quickly peeled off the first 500, and very nearly spooled the next, it was a two hour fight and Val was very glad to see the knot wind around the spool and get into the 3kg area; needless to say after the next 500 metres of winding that was all the fishing she was capable of doing for the day. Lets hope it's a good record for Val.

We are dreading the arrival of Rick Parker and his mates, as I believe they are heading this way. The place never seems to be the same when they leave, I think I might go bush - they seem to have the habit of getting me into hot water. Never mind only joking! Bye for now, hope to see a lot of you soon around Easter

The Hardies!!

VALE - ROBERT (BOB) EDWARD TUCKER

On Sunday, 5th March another of our past members in Robert (Bob) Edward Tucker passed on to join his mates where fishing and friendship continues ad infination. To his family the club extends its condolences at their loss.

Bob was cremated and his ashes are to be released over his great love...the ocean at this request.

Bob was born in Fremantle and spent his early days fishing the Swan River and the reefs around Cottesloe.

His first contact with the Surfcasters was in 1956 when he joined our club and it was not long before he was to the fore with our administration - Secretary 1958 - 1960, "Reel Talk" Editor 1961 and president 1962 - 3.

He excelled with his fishing and was possessed of above average ability in this field and caught many varieties and sizes of fish from both river and shore. A trend setter he had a State record silver bream (31b) 1961, caught snapper at Naval Base and was one of the early members to catch a Spanish Mackerel (30lb) just off the old Fremantle Cable Station. Also one of the first to haunt Kalbarri to chase mackerel from the shore designing his own "special" rig for this. Bob also was the instigator of what we now call the double headed white bait rig which most of us now use.

Bob seldom missed club field days. Success on these often depends on fish availability at all spots chosen, but Bob was regularly in the top ten on field days during the 1960's. On Garden Island venues his favourite fishing spots were "The Guns" and "The Caves" at the island's northern end. He also loved Wedge Island venues.

Casting was one of Bob's great loves and he was one of the first casters to use a Mitchell reel on a low mount Alvey Rod, starting a new trend which we have all adopted. Needless to say distances increased because of this and Bob was always a leader. He was especially an exponent of the single handed rod and was the first person in this State to break the 100 yard barrier...no mean feat!

Bob was an expert rod maker and along with one of his mates used to build rods with the "BRUCKER" label on them and all of us "older" members of the club have had one or two of these at some time. He really knew his stuff and used this knowledge to advantage when building rods for casting.

During his years with the club he won many awards and achieved a lot culminating in winning the club "Sportsman of the Year" in 1959/60.

His working years were spent in the main with PMG/Australia Post and in his final years with this group was Senior Postal Clerk at Mosman Park Post Office. He retired on medical grounds.

Bob also introduced his son Mark to fishing teaching him the importance of concentration, attention to detail and patience as well as learning to adapt when the situation called for it. He did not restrict his tutoring only to his son as he was always willing to pass on his knowledge to anyone wishing to learn and this legacy we have all benefited from.

We are all at a loss at Bob's death as we have lost a great fishing mate, teacher and friend.

Mark remained a member of our club for some years and he and Bob were inseparable where fishing was concerned. Mark now teaches at Bunbury.

As a special request from Mark I include a paragraph from a letter he wrote to me as Editor:

"My only wish is that the article mentions that this is my way of thanking Dad for instilling in me a great love of fishing and for all the time we spent as mates fishing together."

Enough said.

SOCIAL CALENDAR

1995 ANNUAL DINNER/DANCE PRESENTATION NIGHT

Has been set for Saturday 24th June and the venue again will be Wembley lodge. The night promises good times and good fun, and the culmination for those who put in the extra effort to be recognised.

Dinner prices have yet to be negotiated but will be kept to a minimum, drinks again will be sold over the bar, table wines will be supplied for the tables.

We (the committee) hope that everyone can attend and make it one helluva good night.

P.S. I am negotiating for a mystery door prize which will be given away on the night...plus a small raffle!

Sound interesting.....Mark that above date on your social calendar...stay tuned....More to follow in the coming months.

P.P.S. Any worthwhile suggestions you may have can be passed on to me by phone or at the meeting regarding the Dinner/Dance.

RECIPE FOR HUMBLE HERRINGS**HERRING IN BUTTER WITH ALMONDS****You will need:**

4 Herring (minus heads & guts)
 Seasoned flour (salt and pepper included)
 3 Tablespoons of butter
 1 Teaspoon chopped parsley
 Juice of 1 lemon
 4 Tablespoons blanched almonds

Method:

Clean wash and dry the fish. Dust the fish in the flour and shake off any surplus. Melt the butter in a frying pan and add the fish, lemon juice and parsley. Cook till one side of the fish is brown. Turn and cook the other side when fish is cooked. Remove and place on a warm serving platter. Toss the almonds in the liquid in the frying pan for a few minutes. Pour almonds and juices from pan over fish and serve.

TAILOR FILLETS IN CHERRY SAUCE**You will need:**

4 Fillets of tailor (skinned)
 Seasoned flour
 1 Teaspoon lemon pepper
 100g Butter
 1 Small can or jar of cherries (cut in halves)
 2 Tablespoons coarse chopped almonds

Method:

Coat the fillets in seasoned flour. Melt the butter in a frying pan and gently fry the fish for about five minutes until slightly brown on both sides. Remove the fish from the pan. Keep hot. Add any remaining butter to the pan and melt. Add the cherries and their liquid. Stir in the chopped almonds. Cook on a low heat for eight minutes. Stir occasionally to stop sticking. Place the fillets on a warm platter, spoon the sauce over and serve with boiled long grain rice.

The Unknown Cooks

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

The following nominations have been received for membership to our club. If any member has any reason why any of these nominations should not be accepted please contact any committee member and state your reasons.

Mark John Eddison
 Beverly Ann Eddison
 Brooke Marie-ellen Eddison
 Alicia Lauren Eddison

Ph: 306 4007

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP ACCEPTED

The following application for membership was accepted at our last General Meeting. We welcome our new member.

Kenneth Roy Killick
 3 Marconi Street
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 Phone 279 1150

CANS CANS CANS

Don't think that because Mal Head in on holidays (AGAIN) with his wife Jenny that you can have a leave pass on bringing in your collection of cans for our club trophy fund. Mal is too smart for that as he has arranged for Bob Henderson and Pat McCormick to collect them so please bring them along to our general meetings and give them to the boys.

SHOULD FERRO-MAGNESIUM HOOKS BE BANNED?

About a year ago I purchased a large selection of fish hooks from NewAge Marine Technologies, Woolloongabba, Brisbane. The salesperson assured me that they would remain perfectly sharp for the complete life of the hook. The theory being that as the point of the ferro-magnesium hook corroded, it became covered with a fine layer of Magnesium Oxide. The point remaining very sharp. In fact, with corrosion in a damp tackle-box, the point of the hook actually became needle-sharp with time and never needed sharpening. Being quite fanatical in keeping my hooks sharp, this new, locally manufactured hook seemed to be the answer to my problem. I would not need to waste time at the fishing spot sharpening hooks whilst other fishers wet their lines. The hook was exceptionally strong, light, with the right set and of the newer, curved, partly circular rotating variety similar to a suicide, but more circular with a curved beaked point. The only slight disadvantage was the lack of an eye in the hook, having a flattened shank in the manner of the old commercial snapper hooks. As I prefer the shank to lie along the line, this was actually an advantage in my opinion, so I purchased every size available from 24 to 8/0. After fishing with the hooks inside Moreton Bay, I found them to be outstanding. They remained exceptionally sharp, showed no signs of rusting, were easily covered with bait, and the rotating action and slight offset on the hook permitted me to set the hook in the fish's mouth with a very gentle strike, merely a flick of the wrist. I returned to NewAge and purchased \$350 of their "FishMaster" hooks; enough to last me a lifetime. Some months later, my assistant and I were collecting fish specimens off the tip of Hook Reef, off Magnetic Island, Townsville. We had set a mist net in the shallows next to the reef and while waiting for it to entmesh specimens, had driven the dinghy to the tip of the reef in deeper water to fish. We could see the reef through the glass-bottomed bucket and to our amazement, saw a school of sweepers, often called bulls-eyes, that were unfamiliar to us both. The tips of the caudal fins were bright lemon-yellow. Probably a new species of *Pomphersis*. Dropping the anchor, we started to fish. I used fresh green prawn bait and a number 22 rotating ferro-magnesium hook on a 1 kg very clear line, minus a sinker. The bait had almost moved within range of the sweepers when a very small honeycomb rock cod took it and snapped it off. Bending on another hook I lowered again. The same cod took the second bait immediately and snapped me off a second time. This called for a new strategy. Thinking that the cod had taken enough, I cast over the school of sweepers and let the bait drift down. To my assistant's great amusement, the little devil of a cod darted out, took the bait again and cut me off. Whilst I admired his audacity, I wanted a sweeper, not a cod, so I switched to a paternoster rig with a very fine shot sinker. Down to the bottom this time and as I watched through the bucket, the damn cod took the bait and hook again. Now very frustrated, and feeling that I had been outwitted, I was determined to have the last word. Choosing a number 12 hook and a slightly heavier line, I baited up and called on the cod. He took it and rushed back home. I broke off again and then rigged for the sweepers knowing that the cod was unlikely to try again. The bait had hardly reached the school when a small sweeper darted up to take the fly hook and I had him. The frantic sweeper tried to re-enter the school when the bloody cod took him and swallowed my specimen. Now enraged, I used a heavier line, and using a number 10 hook, targeted the cod. He moved out of the hole and took the bait for the seventh time. This time I had him and was looking forward to retrieving my lost hooks when a red bass swallowed him and broke me off. My assistant thought this was very amusing, but was himself having difficulty with another red bass that kept taking his new ferro-magnesium hooks one after the other. It was developing into a bad day. Baiting up for the sweepers once again I managed to hook three before losing them to red bass this time. We had lost many hooks and decided to move away to seek another school of the new species of sweeper. We were determined to secure at least one. An hour later, without locating further sweepers, we returned and found the school again. I lost another two sweepers and my assistant had three taken by the red bass. We rigged heavier gear and decided to dispatch a few of the useless red bass. I had hardly hooked one of the bass when a medium sized Graceful whaler *Carcharhinus amblyrhynchus* took him and broke my line. I then used a heavy line with a 8/0 ferro-magnesium hook and a full prawn. The shark took it as soon as it reached the bottom, swallowing my hook and cutting me off. We decided that it was time to pull the net and we would return next day to get the elusive sweeper. This time we planned to use a small quantity of ichthyocide and employ hand spears to collect a few sweepers for identification. Donning our diving gear, we moved down to observe the school that had returned to rest up near the overhang of the reef. This time we speared several of the larger sweepers and put them into preservative. My assistant then noticed one of the red bass behaving in a most peculiar fashion. As it swam around head downwards it emitted a steady stream of very fine bubbles from its anus. We watched it for some minutes, during which time the stream of bubbles continued to pour out; the fish occasionally releasing several larger bubbles of gas from its anus as it moved into deeper water. Another

red bass was in trouble, and as we watched, it rolled belly up to expel a considerable quantity of gas from the vent. It then righted itself only to swim in a disoriented fashion with a column of fine bubbles pouring out from the anus. We returned to the dinghy to fetch our spearguns to shoot one of the red bass. Other red bass in the area were behaving quite normally without emitting gas. Both fish were ridiculously easy to spear. One releasing a mass of gas from the anus as soon as transfixed. Then, to our stupefaction, a small graceful whaler swam by with some difficulty. A steady stream of bubbles rising like a curtain of air from the anal orifice. We startled it and it actually farted a huge bubble of gas into the water before rolling belly uppermost at the surface. My assistant speared it through the head and we pulled it aboard the dinghy. What was very noticeable about the shark was the greatly distended stomach. How could the shark generate gas? Sharks, unlike many bony fishes, do not possess a swim bladder. On gutting the shark ashore, we found the gut contained one bloated red bass and my 8/0 hook. The shiny ferro-magnesium hook was giving off a mass of bubbles as it lay in the digestive fluid. We used a plastic collecting bag to collect as much of the digestive fluid as we could and placed the hook into the bag. Within seconds, the hook commenced to froth violently as it dissolved in the low pH fluid. The swollen red bass contained two sweepers, one inflated rock cod, and two 6/0 hooks my assistant had used the day before. Both sweepers had a hook inside the jaws, and the cod had seven. All hooks were bubbling inside the open gut of the red bass and frothed up when placed into the plastic bag. The other red bass contained only three sweepers with ferro-magnesium hooks in their jaws. We were surprised to observe that a few hooks could cause so much gas to be generated inside the fish. The bellies of the red bass were greatly distended by hydrogen gas and would, in our opinion, have caused the early demise of both fish. This finding has very considerable relevance to recreational fishers concerned with ever dwindling fish stocks. Please do not use ferro-magnesium fishing hooks until further research has been conducted. A search of the literature failed to show that some alloy hooks can generate gas when exposed to low pH gastric fluid. The only other person to have discovered this fact was my good old friend Bert "Panther" Payne back in 1963, or was it 1964? Bert had apparently found that if a Jewie swallowed a titanium or magnesium alloy hook along with a brass swivel and an aluminium or copper coated stainless steel trace, the resulting electrolytic reaction in association with gastric juices below pH 3.4 resulted in the rapid generation of hydrogen gas, forcing the fish to rise to the surface at an accelerating speed so that it sometimes left the surface of the sea and fell into his boat, or exploded violently on contact with the air. It is to my everlasting shame that at that time, being much younger and much less knowledgeable, I was inclined to disbelieve him. I now wish to record my indebtedness to his important observation by naming this electrolytic reaction the Panther Payne Phenomenon.

Rolly McKay

New Application Form

With this issue is enclosed the newly designed membership form. It hasn't got the Club title and logo at the top yet, but it will have soon!

Meanwhile, we would like you all to fill it in and bring it to a meeting, or send it to a committee member. Yes that's right, we want you to re-join the club! But don't worry, it'll cost you nothing and it's for a good cause.

You see, we need some additional information about you, and the easiest way to get it via the new form.

The new info we need is:

Preferred name

What do you want to appear on your new membership card/name tag?

It could be a shortened first name or a nickname, plus your surname.

For example, "Sid" Whiting instead of Sidney, "Blue" Smith instead of Archibald Smith, etc.

Just put your preferred first name - we will add the surname automatically.

Occupation/Skills/Hobbies/Interests

Once this info is collated, we can get a good "cooperative" going within the club. The info is not compulsory, but if you have no objection to other members knowing these details, tick the boxes. We would encourage the volunteering of these details as much as possible, as it will ultimately be of benefit to the Club if Fred can help Charlie one day, Charlie can help Joe the next, and so on. And there's no obligation to make your skills available at any time. If you're a bricklayer, and someone asks if you can help them with a job, it's quite acceptable to simply say "No" in an arrangement like this. But there may be times when you don't mind using your skills to help another member, either for free or for reward. But it won't happen unless you're "on the list". If you've agreed, then we'll compile a sort of "Club directory" of members and their skills and interests, and update it regularly.

Please fill in all the form details from the top down to Hobbies/Interests. To have all your names, numbers etc again will allow us to run an accuracy check of our records. You don't need to sign it. Thanks in anticipation.