



# Surf Casting and Angling Club of WA (Inc.)

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### Committee Person

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### Committee Person

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## Life Members of the Club

Jim Strong, Bob Klein, George Holman, Ric Parker, Ian Cook, Bob Henderson.

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## **Minutes of General Meeting 10 March 2010**

Refer to end of minutes for a list of action points, marked by **AP#**.

**Venue:-** Coolbinia West Perth Amateur Football and Sporting Club room.  
Commenced 8:00 pm. President George Holman presiding.

**Present:-** 29 members, 2 nominees for membership, 4 visitors.

**Apologies:-** Clive Verburgt, Ian Cook, Melvin Wee, Simon Ryan, Andrew Vanzyl, Michelle Walker, Holly Walker, Malcolm Head attended but had to leave early.

**Visitors:-** Steven Gee, Danny Fimeri, Alexander Meiklejohn, Abraham Karakizi.

**New members:-** Stefan Wiklund, Nicholas Edwards, Wayne Shaw, Shane Wignell and Pat McKeown were welcomed to the club and presented with their membership packs. Stefan advised he was going back to Sweden in April and was wished all the best.

**Minutes of previous meeting:-** **Moved** Marcia Pekaar, seconded Jim Strong the minutes of the February meeting as published in Reel Talk are a true record, carried.

**Previous Committee meeting:-** Minutes Secretary Terry Fuller advised the minutes were available on the Club website, now requiring individual logins and passwords. Access details will be updated in Reel Talk. Some copies of the draft minutes of the February Committee meeting were circulated. Some outcomes had been covered in the March Reel Talk.

### **Secretary's report:-**

<b><u>Correspondence In:-</u></b>	City of Stirling	Confirmation of Reserve usage, winter 2010, Rental number 7820
	City of Stirling	Account for Yokine Reserve
	Westpac	Statement 29 Jan to 26 Feb 2010
	Easy Grants	Newsletter February
	Offshore Angling Club	Account and receipt for Kalbarri house advertisement in "Fish Tales"
	Offshore Angling Club	Certificate of appreciation to Terry Fuller
	Coolbinia West Perth Amateur Football and Sporting Club	Increase in charges for use of club rooms for SCAC meetings.
	Quobba	Updated cost details for Quobba safari
	Australia Post	Renewal account for PO B0x
	Northside Mower Repairs	Account for fitting of alternator hour meter.
	Denis Hayes	New member application
	Ray White	Accounts period ending 2 March 2010, including
	Gantheaume Bay Electrical	Account for fitting RCD's and Smoke Alarms
		Electrical Safety Certificate
		Kaz Cleaners account
		Kalbarri house booking details.

<b><u>Correspondence out:-</u></b>	Nick Edwards, Wayne Shaw, Shane & Maureen Wignell, Pat & Aine McKeown, Simon & Alicia Ryan and Clive Verburgt	Acceptance into the Club
	Barry Hayes, Denis Hayes, John Ford, Eamonn Hannah, Diane Ostle and Danny Fimeri	Club information
	Shaun, Anne, Ciara, Stephen, Bridget and Sarah Murphy & Barry Hayes	Names will be placed in March Reel Talk
	Denis Hayes	Name will be placed in April Reel Talk
<b><u>Emails in/out:-</u></b>	Ray White Kalbarri	Installation of 2 RCD's and 2 smoke alarms completed for the quoted price.
	Peet Wessels	Change of email
	Mark & Wendy Hansen	Request return of Rottnest deposit

**Moved** Jim Strong, seconded Allan Jones that correspondence be received, carried.

**Treasurer's report:-**

Terry Fuller reported:-

**Accounts for payment**

Mark & Wendy Hansen	Refund of overpayment Rottnest Oct 2009	\$134.00	
Northside Mowers	Supply and fit alternator hour meter	\$183.34	
Australia Post	Rental of Club PO Box	\$79.50	
Synergy	Kalbarri power 23 Dec to 24 Feb	\$311.10	
City of Stirling	Yokine Reserve Winter season	\$340.00	
Terry Fuller	Receipt book	\$8.45	
Terry Fuller	Officeworks printing of March Reel Talk	\$127.16	
Terry Fuller	Ream of yellow paper	\$14.94	
Terry Fuller	Stamps for postage of Reel Talk	\$71.50	T Fuller
Terry Fuller	Melamine/particle board for box for scales	\$19.98	total
Terry Fuller	Screws for boxes for scales	\$13.97	\$256.00
John Crompton	Photo copying – new member details	\$20.00	
John Crompton	Copy paper 1x A4 ream	\$6.00	Secretary
John Crompton	Raffle books x 6	\$3.00	total
John Crompton	10 stamps	\$5.50	\$34.50
John Crompton	Hot dog rolls 7 @ \$2.40	\$16.80	
John Crompton	Onions - sausages - bacon	\$25.60	Social Org
John Crompton	2 x 1 litre milk	\$4.67	total
John Crompton	2 x biscuits 500 grams	\$7.44	\$54.51
	<b>Total accounts for payment</b>	<b>\$1,392.95</b>	
	Bank Balance as at 10 March	\$13,689.60	
	Available bank balance after payment of accounts	\$12,296.65	
	Outstanding cheques	\$0.00	
	<b>Total</b>	<b>\$12,759.15</b>	

**Income****Cash/cheques already banked**, including money collected at Feb meetings, **\$488.00** made up of:-

February Dry casting fees 14 people	\$122.00	
Drinks at February General meeting	\$9.00	
Raffle at February General meeting	\$87.00	
Nomination fees	\$20.00	
Local Field Day fees February	\$22.00	
Sale of 4 x reef bags	\$40.00	
Flag and 2 car stickers	\$14.00	
Field Day fees February Cervantes	\$174.00	All banked on 18 February.

**Cash/cheques for banking**, including money collected at March meeting, **\$897.50** made up of:-

Drinks at February Committee meeting	\$7.00	
Vehicle safety flag	\$10.00	
Field day fees collected at Bluff Creek	\$116.00	
Local Field day fees March, 10 anglers	\$84.00	
Dry Casting sinkers	\$5.00	
Dry casting fees March, 22 people	\$168.00	
Sausage sizzle and drinks March dry casting	\$89.50	
Kalbarri 1 week rental plus cleaning	\$215.00	
Nomination fee	\$10.00	
Sale of 7 x Reef bags	\$70.00	
Pro rata membership fees 2009/10, 2 members	\$50.00	
March General meeting raffle	\$73.00	All banked on 11 March

In response to a question about the details of income, Terry Fuller said he would provide the details of income in the minutes.

**AP GM3/10 #1**

**Moved** Pat McKeown, seconded John Crompton that the Treasurer's report be received and accounts be passed for payment, carried.

**Property Officer:-**

Malcolm Head was an apology. Booking details will be listed in Reel Talk. Residual Current Devices and two smoke alarms have been installed.

**Field Day Officer:-** A Field Day Officer and Assistant are still needed to fill the vacancies.

George Holman reported on Bluff Creek. Peter Pekaar reported on the fishing at Floreat and Canning Bridge. Trevor Stam fished a Field Day for the first time for many years, weighed in some herring and gave Jim Strong a feed of fish.

Peter Pekaar reported on the protective boxes which Terry Fuller had made for the Club's digital scales.

Peter and Marcia Pekaar are happy to fish with other members at the local Field day. President George Holman thanked Marcia and Peter for their help with local Field days.

**Length competition:-** Mark Hansen reported on entries as recorded in Reel Talk.

**Dry Casting Officer:-** Allan Jones gave details of the March dry casting as covered in Reel Talk. A Single Handed Open will be held in April.

**AAA report:-** The AAA Rock and Beach Championships will be held at Jurien on 13/14 March, with five SCAC members nominating.

Members instructed the Delegates to vote for the motion to change the age for Veterans to 60 years for AAAWA competitions.

Pat McKeown was nominated as proxy for Terry Fuller who will not be able to attend the 16 March AAAWA meeting.

**Social Organiser:-** John Crompton reported that the menus for the Presentation night would be available next week.

Discussion on the colours for club shirts led to a suggestion for a black front, yellow panels under the arms and a yellow back if possible.

**Recorder:-** Vince Iozzi will discuss the Recorder's work with Terry Fuller.

**Reel Talk Editor:-** Terry Fuller thanked new members Andrew Vanzyl and Pat McKeown for Reel Talk articles and comments on the March Field Day.

He advised that folders of many past years of Reel Talks are available for loan to members. See details in Reel Talk under "Back copies of Reel Talk available to members."

**Notice of motion:-** None.

**General business:-** Pat McKeown, Ray Walker and John Curtis were nominated for Committee person positions. A secret ballot was held and all were declared elected.

There was some discussion on the use of the June long weekend for a Field Day at Emu Springs. Ian Cook to be contacted. **AP GM3/10 #2**

Trevor Stam donated some sand spikes for dry casting.

Malcolm Harris advised that the Women's Single Handed Accuracy record was not 29 as reported in Reel Talk, but was 36, held by Vix Alexander. Record listings to be checked. **AP GM3/10 #3**

Peet Wessels advised there were 2 spots still available for Rottnest in May. More details in Reel Talk.

George Holman showed reef bags which are available to buy. Terry Fuller advised to check drainage and recommended a quick release buckle in case of falling in the water.

**Raffle:-** Tackle box won by Allan Jones, second prize, a small lure box, was won by George Holman who donated it back for a redraw and was then won by Geoff Raftis.

**Meeting closed:-** Formal meeting closed at 9:20 pm.

**Instruction period:-** George Holman gave a talk on lures.

<b>Action points from March 2010 General meeting.</b>			
<b>No.</b>	<b>Action</b>	<b>By</b>	<b>Status at 13 March</b>
<b>AP GM3/10 #1</b>	Treasurer to include income details in report	Terry Fuller	Done
<b>AP GM3/10 #1</b>	Contact Ian Cook about June LWE Field Day at Emu Springs	Terry Fuller	Done

<b>AP GM3/10 #3</b>	Records of Women's single handed accuracy record to be checked. Check website.	Allan / Terry / Vince	Website updated.
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<b>Action points from February 2010 General meeting.</b>			
<b>No.</b>	<b>Action</b>	<b>By</b>	<b>Status at 10 March</b>
<b>AP GM2/10 #1</b>	Members to consider donating a trophy for the Presentation Night to be held on 26 June	All members	Ongoing
<b>AP GM2/10 #2</b>	Decide fishing competition times at Rottnest	Committee	Completed. See March and April Reel Talk.
<b>AP GM2/10 #3</b>	Length Competition to be formalized and included in the coming year's events.	Committee	Requires someone to collate results.
<b>AP GM2/10 #4</b>	A busy bee is scheduled for Saturday 6 March at Jim Strong's Unit 2/11 Western Avenue Yokine	All members	Some prior work done by P Pekaar and T Fuller.

### Coming Club events

#### April Dry Casting

**When:-** Sunday 11 April 2010. Competition casting starts 8:30am. **Note NOT** the first Sunday – that's Easter.

**Where:-** Yokine Reserve, Wordsworth Avenue

**Events:-** Double handed accuracy, Single handed accuracy, 56 gram distance, Artificial bait distance, 112 gram distance, Single handed Open.

All casters please assist with the setting up of the casting courts, targets, etc at the beginning of the day after setting up your own casting gear.

Please assist with the retrieval and packing up of the casting equipment at the end of the day's events.

Seniors (and Ladies) will be casting distance first, Veterans will cast accuracy first.



#### April General meeting

**When:-** Wednesday 14 April, 8:00pm.

**Where:-** Coolbinia West Perth Amateur Football and Sporting Club room, off Wordsworth Avenue, Yokine, about 200 metres south east of the Yokine Bowling Club.

**Sign In:-** Please remember to have your name ticked on the attendance sheet. See Jim Strong or Dean Stewart.

**Instruction Period:-** George Holman, drags on reels.  
Terry Fuller, using the dry casting laser measurer.

#### April Committee meeting

**When:-** Wednesday 21 April 2010, 7:30pm.

**Where:-** Coolbinia West Perth Amateur Football and Sporting Club room.

## April Field Day

**When:-** Saturday/Sunday/Monday 24/25/26 April 2010

**Where:-** Bluff Creek.

**Sign On:-** Saturday 12 noon Bluff Creek camping area.

**Times:-** 12 noon Saturday to 10 am Monday, excluding 12 noon to 2:00 pm Sunday. Fish caught between those times are eligible for the Field Day competition and weigh-in. Fish caught before or after those times are eligible for the Open Competition.

**Barbecue:-** 12 noon Sunday to 2:00 pm Sunday. Check at the sign on for confirmation of times. If you don't come to the barbecue, you must stop fishing for those times. It's a great time for socialising with your fellow club members and yet another highlight of the Bluff Creek field days when we go back to how field days used to be "in the good old days".

**Weigh in:-** Monday 10 am Bluff Creek camping area.

**Boundaries:-** As far as you can walk past the rocks at eastern end of the beach, to Cheynes Beach.

<b><u>Tides for Albany</u></b>	Sat	0.45m at	0.88m at	0.67m at	0.95m at	<b><u>Moonrise</u></b>	About 2:45pm at 84 deg
	24 Apr	3:23am	10:01am	3:25pm	9:07pm	<b><u>Sunrises</u></b>	About 6:35am at 75 deg
	Sun	0.50m at	0.95m at	0.57m at	0.91m at	<b><u>Moonset</u></b>	About 2:45am at 273 deg
	25 Apr	3:31am	9:54am	4:08pm	10:00pm	<b><u>Moonrise</u></b>	About 3:15pm at 91 deg
	Mon	0.56m at	1.03m at	0.49m at	0.84m at	<b><u>Moonset</u></b>	About 3:55am at 265 deg
	26 Apr	3:38am	10:05am	4:51pm	10:48pm	<b><u>Sunsets</u></b>	About 5:30pm at 285 deg

## Volunteer Field Day Officer for the April Field Day

George Holman has lots of urgent personal stuff in the next few months and may not be able to go to the April Field Day at Bluff Creek.

If George can't go, a volunteer will be needed to take the scales, sign on members, collect the Field Day fees, record the weights and numbers of fish weighed in, and pass the money and lists to the Reel Talk Editor / Treasurer Terry Fuller who will take over and write up the results. Some articles about what happened would be appreciated.

Having done all this at the March Bluff Creek Field Day, I can assure everyone that this is very easy, you will get lots of help from members, and it takes only a few minutes of your time. Contact Terry for details.

Reel Talk Editor, Terry Fuller

## Local Field Day for April

**When:-** Saturday/Sunday/Monday 24/25/26 April.

**Sign On:** At the General Meeting or to Marcia or Peter Pekaar by 6:00 pm on the day before the Field Day.

**Lines Down:-** Saturday 12 noon

**Times:-** 12 noon Saturday to 10 am Monday, excluding 12 noon to 2:00 pm Sunday. Fish caught between those times are eligible for the Field Day competition and weigh-in. Fish caught before or after those times are eligible for the Open Competition.

**Weigh in:-** Monday at 10 am at G Holman's house. Scales will be available on his back patio. An adult member must witness weights. Field Day money to be left with the scales in an envelope with your name and details written in the carbon copy Field Day book. No money = no points. Results to be phoned or emailed to Marcia or Peter Pekaar by 8:00 pm that night.

**Boundaries:-** Penguin Island to north wall of the Two Rocks Marina, including the Swan and Canning Rivers.

<b><u>Tides for Fremantle</u></b>	Sat 24 Apr	0.65m at 2:20am	0.90m at 9:07 am	0.85m at 1:01 pm	0.94m at 7:01 pm	<b><u>Moonrise Sunrises</u></b>	About 2:50pm at 84 deg About 6:45am at 75 deg
	Sun 25 Apr	0.70m at 2:00 am	0.96m at 8:41 am	0.77m at 2:42 pm	0.90m at 8:39 pm	<b><u>Moonset Moonrise</u></b>	About 2:55am at 273 deg About 3:25pm at 91 deg
	Mon 26 Apr	0.75m at 2:01 am	1.03m at 8:49 am	0.69m at 3:41 pm	0.85m at 9:58 pm	<b><u>Moonset Sunsets</u></b>	About 4:05am at 265 deg About 5:45pm at 285 deg

**Fish together** At the General Meeting prior to each field day, Marcia and Peter Pekaar will confirm if they will be fishing locally, and discuss when and where members can meet.

## **May Field Day**

**When:-** Saturday/Sunday 15/16 May 2010

**Where:-** Rottnest.

**Sign On:-** Saturday 10:45 am at Caroline Thompson Cabins

**Times:-** 12 noon Saturday to 7 pm Sunday. Fish caught within those times are eligible for the Field Day competition and weigh-in. Fish caught before or after those times are eligible for the Open Competition.

**Weigh in:-** Sunday, 9:00 pm at Caroline Thompson Cabins.

**Boundaries:-** All non restricted areas around the island.

**Ferry Transport:-** Check In: Friday 14 May at 5:45 pm. Rottnest Express Fremantle Northport. Departs Fremantle Friday at 6:30 pm. Arrives Rottnest at 7:00 pm.

Ferry departs Rottnest Monday 17 May at 11:30 am. Arrives Northport at 12.00 pm.

Bus Transport to and from West End. Departs Caroline Thompson Cabins Saturday at 11:00 am. Departs West End Saturday at 7:30 pm.

Departs Caroline Thompson Cabins Sunday at 11.00 am. Departs West End Sunday at 7:30 pm.

**Cost:-** \$165 per person. All outstanding moneys to be paid to the Treasurer at or before the April General meeting. See separate article for details of money owed.

Rottnest Field day Coordinator, Peet Wessels

<b><u>Tides for Fremantle</u></b>	Sat 15 May	1.27m at 9:41 am	0.56m at 7:30 pm	<b><u>Moonrise Moonset</u></b>	About 8:10am at 61 deg About 6:15pm at 300 deg
	Sun 16 May	1.27m at 10:14 am	0.55m at 8:20 pm	<b><u>Moonrise Moonset</u></b>	About 9:10am at 60 deg About 7:15pm at 300 deg
		<b><u>Sunrises</u></b>	About 7:00am at 68 deg	<b><u>Sunsets</u></b>	About 5:30pm at 292 deg

## **Local Field Day for May**

**When:-** Saturday/Sunday 15/16 May.

**Sign On:** At the General Meeting or to Marcia or Peter Pekaar by 6:00 pm on the day before the Field Day.

**Lines Down:-** Saturday 12 noon

**Times:-** 12 noon Saturday to 7pm Sunday. Fish caught within those times are eligible for the Field Day competition and weigh-in. Fish caught before or after those times are eligible for the Open Competition.



**Weigh in:-** Sunday after 7:00 pm at G Holman's house.  
Scales will be available on his back patio. An adult member must witness weights. Field Day money to be left with the scales in an envelope with your name and details written in the carbon copy Field Day book. No money = no points. Results to be phoned or emailed to Marcia or Peter Pekaar by 8:00 pm that night.

**Boundaries:-** Penguin Island to north wall of the Two Rocks Marina, including the Swan and Canning Rivers.

**Tides:-** See above.

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**Calendar for next three months**

Here's a calendar showing the dates we will use for Dry Casting, General and Committee Meetings, and Field Days in the next three months.

							<b>22</b> Quobba Safari								<b>26</b> Presentation Night							
<b>7</b> Dry Casting							<b>10</b> General Meeting							<b>15</b> <b>16</b> Field Day							<b>17</b> Committee Meeting	
April 2010							May 2010							June 2010								
Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun		
			1	2	3	4						1	<b>2</b>		1	2	3	4	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>		
5	6	7	8	9	10	<b>11</b>	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	<b>7</b>	8	9	10	11	12	<b>13</b>		
12	13	<b>14</b>	15	16	17	18	10	11	<b>12</b>	13	14	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	14	15	<b>16</b>	17	18	19	20		
19	20	<b>21</b>	22	23	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	17	18	<b>19</b>	20	21	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	21	22	23	24	25	<b>26</b>	27		
<b>26</b>	27	28	29	30			<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	30	28	29	30						

**In pursuit of the King**

As a keen and fanatic fisho, one of my ultimate fishing goals was to land a decent Kingfish from shore. The question was where and how to go about it. The most important step in the process is ultimately to pick the right location. The answer was simple. Join a fishing club.

Now the Surfcasters have been around for many years and they knew where to find these mighty fish.

The place they took me too was on a little Island called Rottnest, more specifically to the most western side of this island is a place called Radar Reef, named after a radar station that was set up there during the Second World War.

The thing I love most about Kingfish fishing is the initial strike, it happens so fast and furious, it gives me a quick fright every time it happens.

Afterwards it keeps me lying awake in bed replaying the excitement over and over and then I can't wait to get back there again.



Rottnest's Radar Reef

I have decided to write this article not because I see myself as a Kingfish expert, but because I have had so many failures and witnessed even more failures of people trying to land a trophy King. This article is specifically written for fishing at Radar Reef for Kings and it should reveal what I personally think works the best. Some of these failures were all preventable and they mainly are due to old line with little nicks in them, poor rigging and poor dragging systems. Believe me if there are ANY faults with your gear or rigging the King will find it quickly and 9 out of 10 times you will lose.

Let's look at safety first. You need to be reasonable fit and be able to walk down and up a reasonable steep goat track. This becomes rather hard work and takes a lot out of you. So plan and prepare to take only the bare necessities. Always try and buddy up with somebody and fish shoulder to shoulder with each other. It's amazing how many times a little help can be the difference between success and failure. Sometimes just a little encouragement or advice can turn the wheel in your favour. Always fish the reef on low and safe tides. Wearing a flotation vest or equipment is strongly advised. Always use proper reef boots with steel spikes. A wet suit is also an important part of your armor against the elements. A proper hat and a good pair of sunglasses that covers the side of the eyes are also important equipment. Don't forget to apply sun block throughout the day, especially a good lip balm for your lips.

**What gear should I use?** Any 12 to 14 feet rod with a solid bottom section and a medium top section will do the job. The main thing is it should be able to lift a big fish from the top of the surf onto the ledge of the reef. There are many affordable lightweight and strong rods on the market these days. Pick a light one for the reef and always carry a spare rod close by. I have seen rods broken on every visit to the reef and it is truly a sad case if you are stranded with no backup.

Reels are a personal choice and a much debatable subject. Personally, my reel must be robust with a smooth drag and easy to use. Remember the main method is bait casting, so you will be casting and retrieving the whole time. I use the Penn 850 SS most of the time. However it did not last the previous King encounters and I had to call in my trusty old Daiwa GS-9.

The next item is the fishing line, even more debatable. All I can say is what I have found worked the best for me. On the reef I use 15kg mono. I have grown up with Maxima and it has never disappointed me. It has all the features that I want in a fishing line and is especially robust on unforgiving reef ledges. I try and buy the Maxima Fibre Glow line whenever I can find it. It works a treat and at night it makes it so much easier to see.

I have found that the 15 kg line class certainly has enough stopping power when targeting the Kings on Radar Reef. Be careful however not to try and overpower the King too quickly.

When they fight hard for deeper water it is better to let them go for 30 or 50 meters. Not only does it keep them higher in the water, it also takes them to friendlier water and you have much better control at 50 m than at 5 or 10m.

If they however want to play dirty and make for the huge caves under the ledge you have no choice but to be dirty and fight back hard.



*Peet Wessels with a Rottnest Yellowtail King*

Fish bigger than 5kg or so usually wins the first round and gets under and into the cave. Now if you have a line that is thick and robust enough, you might have a second chance. If this happens put your reel in free spool and take all the pressure off the line. Wait for a couple of

minutes while keeping a close eye on the line. Don't be surprised to see the line starting to move to deeper water. Let the fish go until it is well and truly clear and you are on for the second round.

**What rig and bait to use?** You can use a floating or bait casting rig with the Mulie as my preferred bait. Bottom fishing usually ends up with a snagged up rig and can be hard to break off especially if you are fishing with heavy tackle. Spinning rigs with shiny metal lures are also very productive. It is handy to have a few available when you run out of Mulies.

My rig of choice is a gang of 3 x 4/0 tarpons tied with an 80lb x 30cm leader to a rolling swivel. On top of the swivel I tie another 80lb x 80 cm leader with a ball sinker (size 5 to 7) sitting on top of the swivel. I tie the end of the leader to another rolling swivel and then to my main line. When venturing out onto the reef I always carry a good supply of these pre-made rigs in little plastic coin bags. It is important to make sure your rig is longer than the fish you are hunting, this helps when a tail wrap occurs and is also very handy when landing the fish.

Other essentials to carry with you: You will need a good self drainable reef bag to carry fish and bait. A bait box with a good knife fitted to a waist belt is mandatory. Long nose pliers, little scissors and some ghost cotton should always be at the ready. A good headlamp is a must. A small gaff that fits into the bottom of the reef bag is also worth its weight in gold.

**Bag limits and size:** You are allowed to keep 2 fish. The minimum length is 600 mm. If you want to gaff a fish to keep it, simply lip hook it if you want to photograph and quickly release it afterwards.

**Warning:** This type of fishing is addictive!!

Peet Wessels

## **Handling fish for photography and release**

With acknowledgement to "Reefishing Research", <http://www.reefishingresearch.org>

With restricted bag limits, some fish must be returned to the water unharmed. However, most fishers want a record of their catch. This is generally done by photographing, weighing or measuring the fish. If you intend to or are required to let the fish go, then there are some things you must do to improve its chances of its survival when released.

**Playing fish.** Choose tackle that will land your target fish in a minimum time without skull dragging the fish. Avoid fishing for large fish with light lines. Long playing times can exhaust fish and cause delayed mortality.

**Landing fish.** The rod or line can be used to land smaller fish up to about 1kg. For larger fish use a knotless landing net to land the fish. Knotted landing nets should be avoided as they remove more protective slime and scales from fish. Hooks are also more likely to tangle in knotted nets. Never use a gaff on fish intended for release.

**Removing hooks and holding fish.** A hookout or long nosed pliers can be used to assist in removing hooks. Very large fish should be left in the water and the hook removed. Fish grips can be used to restrain fish but must be used with care. Avoid grips with inbuilt scales and the temptation to hold the fish vertically by the grips to weigh it. Fish grips are especially useful for fish with sharp or abrasive teeth.

**Weighing fish.** Weighing fish on conventional scales generally results in the fish being hung on the scales by the jaw. This method should not be used for fish being released as this can damage the jaw or gills and the weight of the fish places extra stress on the backbone and internal organs. If weighing a fish is necessary then use a sling to support the fish horizontally.

**Releasing fish.** Hold the fish gently in the water when releasing fish. Fish placed back into the water this way will lay there momentarily then move off with a flick of the tail. A strong kick indicates a better chance of the fish surviving. Longer revival times, and needing to swim the fish around to aid recovery, are indicators of overstraining.

#### Recommended practices on handling fish:

- Avoid long playing times that exhaust fish
- Small fish can be removed from the water by lifting the fish on the line
- Larger fish should be landed using a knotless landing net
- Place fish on a cool wet surface and avoid hot dry surfaces when handling fish
- Use a hookout or long nosed pliers to assist in removing hooks
- Care must be taken if using fish grips to avoid additional damage
- Keep the fish out of the water for the minimum time possible
- Hold the fish horizontally and support its body when releasing and gently place in the water
- Do not place fingers inside the gill cover of a fish as this can damage the gills, or in the eye sockets.

#### Recommended practices when photographing fish:

- Have the camera in a location where it is quickly accessible
- Decide early if you are going to take a photograph so that your fishing mate can get the camera ready
- Lift the fish horizontally supporting its body weight at all times and never hold the fish vertically by the jaw
- Minimise the time the fish is out of the water
- Once photographed release the fish gently back into the water

#### Recommended practices when recording a fish:

- Measure the length and girth of a fish in preference to weighing it as this is less stressful on the fish
- Use a cradle to support the body of the fish if it is weighed

#### **Recommended practices for Kingfish being released:**

- Avoid long playing times
- Use single hooks or barbless trebles on lures
- For bait fishing use hooks that reduce gut hooking eg circle hooks
- Hold the fish horizontally when taking photographs
- Fingers should not be placed inside the gill cover as this can damage the gills

#### The following are the most likely survival issues for Kingfish:

- Playing time for large fish
- Deep hooking when using baits

Reel Talk Editor, Terry Fuller

#### **Rottnest May 2010 costs and accommodation.**

Total cost per person for the May 2010 Rottnest Field day will be \$165. There are 2 spots still available.

Outstanding monies due per person is shown below. All outstanding monies need to be paid at or before the April General meeting.

Caroline Thompson Unit 709 (Booking number 2151258)

Peet Wessels, Sandra Wessels, Theo Van Niekerk, Louise Van Niekerk,

Caroline Thompson Unit 710 (Booking number 2151257)

Vix Alexander, Malcolm Harris, Lea Taylor, Peter Osborne,

Bungalow No 425 + 1 bed (Booking number 2151256)

Ian Cook, Ian Taggart, Josh Lucocq,  
Available, \$165 Available, \$165

Peet Wessels

## **Reef bag safety**

You are fishing on a reef. You have a few fish in your reef bag slung over your shoulder. Suddenly you are in the water swimming. Trying to get out, as you pull yourself over the edge, you find your reef bag now has 10 to 20 litres of water in it and is dragging you back in. No worries, you think, my reef bag has drain holes. But the drain holes are blocked by those fish and anyway it takes a long time for that much water to drain through those holes. OK, try to slip off the bag, but you have to lift the strap and that much weight over your head, and that's not easy in a hurry.



*Adjustable quick release clip on strap of reef bag.*

Some solutions. Get a decent sized mesh panel sewn into the reef bag so that the water will drain out very quickly. Examples are open weave shade cloth or gutter guard.

Or use a quick release clip on the bag's strap. A quick squeeze of the clip is all that's needed and the strap separates and slips off your shoulder.

Yes, you may lose the bag and some fish as the price of getting out of the water and away from those waves and sharp rocks a lot quicker.

Reel Talk Editor, Terry Fuller

## **Heavy duty sewing**

Contact Terry Fuller if you need some heavy duty strong sewing. The sewing machine can handle reinforcing or repairing tarpaulins, rope edging, plastic, canvas, leather, shade cloth, webbing, straps, buckles, etc, for tent flies, windbreaks, bags, fish bags, covers, etc.

Reel Talk Editor, Terry Fuller

## **Bring a friend to a Club activity**

Please bring a friend, a relative, a workmate, neighbour or an acquaintance to a General meeting, to Dry Casting or to a Club fishing Field day.

Let them know what the Club does, and let them find out for themselves some of the benefits of being a club member, particularly getting all those fishing and casting tips from experienced club members.

Show them your copy of Reel Talk and let them know there is a lot more about the club on the Club website <http://www.surfcasters.iinet.net.au/>

Reel Talk Editor, Terry Fuller

## **Bookings for Kalbarri house in 2010**

The Club's Kalbarri house has bookings in 2010 for the following dates. All other dates not listed are currently available. This list is at late March and does not include any bookings which may have been made between then and whenever you read this. Contact Property Officer Mal Head for bookings.

April	1 April to 8 April, 10 April to 17 April, 17 April to 24 April, 24 April to 30 April.
May	1 May to 8 May, 10 May to 23 May.
June	
July	
August	2 August to 11 August
September	25 September to 30 September.
October	1 October to 2 October, 16 October to 31 October.
November	1 November to 6 November.
December	

Property Officer, Mal Head

## **President's report**

A good roll up at our March meeting made it pleasant for me to accept as new members Nicholas Edwards, Wayne Shaw, Patrick and Aine McKeown, Shane, Maureen, Liam, Emma and Sarah Wignell and Simon and Alicia Ryan. Welcome all.

It was even more pleasing for me all when later in the meeting three of our newer members in Pat McKeown, Ray Walker and John Curtis nominated for committee and you the members accepted them. I appreciate your confidence in them and I am sure they will do a very good job for us all. There is still a vacancy available for a Field Day Officer.

I need to say a big thank you on your behalf to Peter and Marcia Pekaar, Terry Fuller and John Crompton who were responsible for helping out our Patron Jim strong with his house, replacing old carpet with the new vinyl. Jim is very appreciative of your efforts.

**Field days.** Thanks to the members who travelled down to Bluff Creek for the March field day. There were 14 present and even though the wind and drift were a nuisance some good fish were caught. I have reported elsewhere.

I had a lengthy talk to Lea Taylor and I must say I am impressed with his attitude to fishing and his talent, as he fishes with lures only. He also won the field day. He has consented to give us a talk at a meeting later on hard body and soft plastic fishing in rivers and the ocean. Thanks Lea.

I wish to thank Peter and Marcia Pekaar for making themselves available for our local fishing on field days with the emphasis on looking after our newer members at a nominated location for a set 4 to 5 hour time frame. When eleven members partake of this and also a Monday morning soft plastic and hard body lures fish in the river, that shows this is really appreciated. Thank you.

The surprise packet was Trevor Stam's effort in going fishing on a field day for the first time in probably fifteen years and weighing in two herring. Look forward to seeing more of this, Trevor.

**Safari.** Good to see the follow-up of members who are going to go to Cape Cuvier on 22 to 29 May this year. The meeting to put this in practice is scheduled for 24 March at my place. If anyone else wants to go please contact me or John Crompton.

**AAA Rock and Beach.** We managed to have only five members represent our club at the recent State Rock and Beach Championships at Jurien Bay. They were Peet and Sandra Wessels, Geoff Raftis, Dave Maxted and me. We hit the jackpot with the tailor, all getting our eight, along with herring and one flathead and two small pike, all quality fish. We were all proud to attend the weigh in with our bags and even though our veterans' team only ran third we were all happy with our effort. We didn't have the variety and the species to win because that is what you need in this sort of competition to win.

Geoff Raftis contributed greatly to making this weekend so enjoyable for the five of us as he made available top-class accommodation, was responsible for nominating where to fish, and nothing was too hard for him to arrange. Thanks Geoff.

Marcia, Peter and Andrew Pekaar fished with the Offshore Club and Marcia was a member of the winning ladies team and I think she hasn't taken her medallion off yet.

**Presentation night.** Remember our Dinner and Presentation night is coming up in June. John Crompton will have information elsewhere in this issue for you all to read. Please make the effort to come along with your partners and also friends are welcome. Also if any of you would like to donate money or prizes towards the trophies we would appreciate this

I forgot to thank Geoff Raftis for his generosity at our general meeting as he has donated six statuette trophies for our presentation night. He certainly has his heart in the right place and is proving to be a very special member. Thanks Geoff.

Terry Fuller continues to supply us with a Reel Talk full of information and I've had a lot of members comment to me about this. It's getting close to a magazine. What's more pleasing is that our newer members are contributing to its content which is great to see.

John Crompton (my right-hand man) never ceases to amaze me with how he is handling the workload thrust upon him. He is doing a tremendous job in communicating with our new members and providing them with a plethora of information and is guiding them in the right direction and helps them at every opportunity. He is also organising our new T-shirts, organising our social activities and presentation night and is being a major worker in looking after our property at Kalbarri with Mal Head being away. Ray Walker has offered to help in this aspect and I know Mal and John appreciate this.

To finish my report I would say "thank you" to you the members for your participation and support of club activities and in particular to our committee members for their positive and helpful approach to managing our club.

President, George Holman

### **New member acceptances**

The following applications for membership have been accepted, and will be invited to the next General Meeting to be welcomed into the Club.

Shaun, Anne, Ciara, Stephen, Bridget and Sarah Murphy,  
Barry and Beverley Hayes,

Secretary and Membership Coordinator, John Crompton

### **New member applications**

Applications for membership have been received and will come before the next Committee meeting. If any member has any reason why any of the applications should not be accepted, please contact a Committee member and state the reason.

None

Secretary and Membership Coordinator, John Crompton

### **Back copies of Reel Talk available to members**

See the article on page 13 of the February Reel Talk for full details of what years are available.

These past copies of Reel Talks were brought to the January and February General Meetings for loan to members who want to look back through some really interesting stuff from the Club's past.

There has been little interest shown to repay the work involved in lugging two heavy crates to the meeting. The extra spare Reel Talks which were not in folders have been dumped, because no one contacted me about taking any of them.

Members who want to borrow some Reel Talks should contact me and I will bring those specific folders and issues to the meeting. My contact details are on Page 1.

Show your friends your copy of Reel Talk and let them know there is a lot more about the club on the Club website <http://www.surfcasters.iinet.net.au/>

Reel Talk Editor, Terry Fuller

### **Wanted - back copies of Reel Talk**

We still don't have some past issue in the Club's Reel Talk Library. We are looking for donations of these issues, or can copy yours if you want to keep them. A few copies from the early months of 1982 are not in good condition, so we would use any better copies if they were offered for donation or copying.

Please see the list in March 2010 Reel Talk.

Reel Talk Editor, Terry Fuller

## **Deadline for Reel Talk articles and reports**

The Reel Talk is published and posted so that it gets to the members some days before the first event held in the coming calendar month. Some months this gets very tight due to the timing of club events in the current month and early in the next month.

The editor would really appreciate getting items a long time before the deadline, particularly if they have to be typed in, scanned, reformatted, etc. Items received electronically can be put into the magazine in a very short time, subject to space.

Because the April Field Day is very late in the month, and May Dry casting is early in the month, I may not get all the contents in time to be able to post a copy of the May Reel Talk to people before the May dry casting. The deadline for items for inclusion in the May Reel Talk is 5 pm Thursday 29 April.

Reel Talk Editor, Terry Fuller

## **Members' stories, photos, tips, etc wanted**

Do you have any new stories, photos, tips, news items, comments on Club events, etc, etc, to share with other club members? Please send them in to the Reel Talk Editor.

An old fashioned tape recorder is available for use by people who don't have computers. They can just talk into it, and Terry Fuller will type it up for the Reel Talk if required.

Thanks to members Andrew Vanzyl, John Lee, Pat McKeown and Peet Wessels for their articles. And thanks to Committee members for the reports about their events.

Reel Talk Editor, Terry Fuller

## **Boxes for the Field Day scales**

New protective boxes have been made for the Club's two sets of electronic scales.



*New boxes for the small and large scales.*

Got out the saw bench, drop saw, drills, clamps and lots of other tools and bits and pieces, grabbed some of those melamine offcuts and foam carpet underlay that has been getting in the way, measured everything up, bought some extra stuff, got cutting and screwing, and some hours later, volia!

The boxes may not be beautiful, they may not be the lightest possible, but they are functional and very strong and above all, were very cheap.

So if anyone says "Aluminium boxes would be better", nothing much has been wasted.



*The old container for the small scales.*



*The old box for the large scales*

Vice President, Terry Fuller



## The website:- a reference source of Club information

The Club website <http://www.surfcasters.iinet.net.au> has a lot of club information and reference material on it. Examples are the Constitution, Competition Rules, past Reel Talks, etc, etc. These are freely available to everyone, to the public and to Club members.

Each member can obtain a unique login and password to access more "Club Members only" web pages as covered in the article "Access to recordings and minutes of Club meetings."

Please give me any suggestions for website content which could be added to the "Club Members only" section of the website. Please note that there must be really good reasons why the content needs to be restricted to club members.

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Website Editor, Terry Fuller

## Access to recordings and minutes of Club meetings.

In accordance with the decision made at the December Committee meeting, the minutes and recordings of General and Committee meetings will be made available to members.

These have been placed on the Club website in pages which are password protected and are not visible from any other pages on the website.

Draft versions of the minutes are posted as they are written. Final versions will be added after the General or Committee meeting passes a version as being a true and accurate record. Minutes of General meetings are also published in Reel Talk.

Please use <http://www.....html> as the entry page.



Log in to access the password protected areas of the Club's web site.

[Not registered yet? Request a Username and Password](#)

Enter Password Protected Area

Username:

Password:

Login

Individual Usernames and passwords are now required to login and access these pages. If you have not already been given a Username and password, then click on the "Request a Username and Password" link and follow the prompts. This needs to be done only once. For later access, just use these and click the "Login" button.

Your Username and password will be sent to the email address you nominate. **Note** that this is not a fully automated system. I will send you an email with your Username and password after I have been notified of your request by the password protect website. Username will be "first name" one space "surname".

The Username and password given to you is only for your own personal use and must not be given to or used by anyone else, even if they are SCAC club members. Access to those particular pages and the use of individual logins is recorded and monitored.

All these pages and the information in them are for the use of SCAC members only, so please do not tell other people about them.

The links I gave previously will also take you to the new login system but the old password will not work anymore.

For help or any questions, contact Minutes Secretary and Website editor Terry Fuller.

Minutes Secretary, Terry Fuller

## **Paying for drinks at Club functions**

The Drinks in the Esky at Club functions have been bought with club money and are for sale, they are not free.

The Esky is not locked, and the Social Organiser has many other things to do at club functions, so we rely on your honesty to pay for what you take, or, if you must, leave an IOU note.

Social Organiser, John Crompton

## **Wanted – Field Day Officer and Assistant**

No one nominated for the Committee positions of Field Day Organiser and Assistant Field Day Organiser. Organising and running the fishing field days are some of the most important activities of the club. Please consider nominating yourself if you can help, or nominate someone else who would be prepared to do the jobs.

Until the club has people elected to these positions, club members will have to pitch in and help run these events. Please contact the Secretary for a list of responsibilities for these committee positions so you know exactly what would be required to be done for the club.

Reel Talk Editor, Terry Fuller

## **Visitors at Committee meetings**

Club members who wish to see what's involved in Committee work may attend Committee meetings by invitation as visitors and observers and at the discretion of the President. Please contact the President or the Secretary well prior to the meeting to arrange your invitation.

Reel Talk Editor, Terry Fuller

## **Vehicle safety flags and vehicle stickers**

The Club's Code of Ethics says "*Vehicles using beaches or accessing beaches shall be encouraged to use a pole carrying a flag or bunting which shall be a minimum of three (3) metres from ground level on all field trips whilst off road.*"

Vehicle orange safety flags are available for \$10 each, and club stickers for \$2 each, from

Secretary and Membership Coordinator, John Crompton

## **Club shirts and polo jackets**

Please contact the Membership Coordinator, John Crompton on 9249 6209 to purchase any of the following:

Shirts, short or long sleeve                      \$30.00                      Polo jackets                      \$50.00 (current stock)

Membership Coordinator, John Crompton

## **Happy birthday**

Happy birthday to Shane Wignell, 14 April, Ciara Murphy, 15 April, Liam Wignell, 16 April, Jim Strong, 26 April.

Some members' birthdays have previously been listed in the Reel Talk. Only the day of the month is listed, not the year of birth, so no one will know how young you are.

Some members definitely do not want their birthdays to be listed. To respect people's privacy, birthdays should not be listed unless the club can be sure the member will allow their birthday to be published.

Please contact the Secretary if you wish or will allow for your birthday (the day and month only, not the year) to be listed. Only people who have advised the Secretary will be listed.

Reel Talk Editor, Terry Fuller

## **March Field Day report, Bluff Creek**

Dave Maxted, Terry Fuller and George Homan drove down to Bluff Creek on the Friday afternoon and teamed up with Pat McKeown at Manypeaks for the trip in and to show Pat the way. After letting out tyres down and traversing the track in we were amazed at the width of the beach compared with last year. You could drive right along the beach to the eastern rocks which was not achievable before.

We were greeted with fine conditions, but the wind was blowing straight down the beach from the east and made fishing hard. A lot of the reefs were under sand and contributed to the strong left to right drift.

Arriving at the campsite we found that Lea Taylor camped with Morris Kolman, and Mal Harris, Vix Alexander and Greg Walker were camped near the creek. Peter and Kaitlin Stoeckel arrived later and joined them. Peet and Sandra Wessels, Theo Van Niekerk and Michael Gaudin were camped behind the sand dunes over the other side of the creek.

Pat McKeown camped near our camp and we also had a past member Wayne Morris came with us and he and Pat fished together which was good to see.

On the Saturday morning we all had a trip up and down the beach and stopped to have a chat with the Wessels. Peet showed us a salmon that didn't get away (caught the previous night) which will go straight into the open section as it weighed 7.1 kg which is a potential club record. Needless to say we were all green and looking forward to catching its mates.

Everyone signed on at 12 o'clock and made their way to their fishing spots. Very noticeable was the smile on Pat McKeown's face as he was enjoying himself immensely and it didn't go away until he left on the Monday. It's good to see new members enjoying themselves.

The fishing was a battle with the wind and the drift and the fish were proving a bit on the light side. On the Sunday we had a two-hour break from 12 to 2 and I would like to thank Peter Stoeckel for making his barbecue available for those gathered at a pleasant time was spent spinning yarns and comparing fishing stories. Back to the fray on Sunday afternoon and some members gave the fishing a serious nudge for little result. Noticed Mal Harris coming in late and he certainly put some hours in.

I had a request from that "lady in pink" Sandra Wessels to drive past her more often as every time I pass by she was landing a herring! Peet's "Indian dance" apparently wasn't working very well.

At the weigh in on the Monday most were packed and ready to go and the remainder left about an hour later with Dave, Terry and myself staying on until the Tuesday.

Morris Kolman did his usual for Bluff Creek tender weighed in on the largest salmon at 3.625 kg so he had bragging rights. His bag was over 4 kg. Others to do well were Mal Harris, Peet Wessels, Theo Van Niekerk, and Sandra Wessels continues to catch good bags of fish. I think I might have to ask for lessons or else she might have to drive past me a few times!

The man of the moment was the Lea Taylor. He not only had the largest bag of quality fish, he also was able to enter one of his salmon in the Baron Lure Salmon section as Lea caught all his fish on metal lures, no bait. Congratulations Lea on a superb effort and shows how good he is with lures. I am sure we will benefit from his experience later.

At this point I will say the three of us (along with Wayne Morris) did enjoy Pat McKeown's company but you have to have a certain tolerance as you don't know what he is going to come out with next.

We left on the Tuesday morning around 9:30 and you guessed it - the wind stopped blowing and there were no whitecaps on the ocean. When we arrived at the beach at the bottom of the track, even though the beach was wide, the water was coming right up the beach and into the creek. We had to be a bit more careful. Tyres pumped up and away on home after a very pleasant weekend.

Arriving home I was contacted by Peter Pekaar with a report on the local fishing and I was pleasantly pleased with the numbers who are partaking of Peter and Marcy's office to fish with them and to learn of the number and achievement of those who fished the river with

them on the Monday morning. Peter has a report elsewhere in this issue of Real Talk. I look forward to continued participation from club members.

I was really pleased to get a report from my wife Kaye that Trevor Stam had weighed in two herring. This is very special as Trevor hasn't fished for about 15 years, and I hope there will be more to come.

Acting F D O George Holman

The people attending the March Field Day were (in no particular order):

Pat McKeown	George Holman	David Maxted
Terry Fuller	Peet Wessels	Sandra Wessels
Theo Van Niekerk	Morris Kolman	Michael Gaudin (visitor)
Vix Alexander	Malcolm Harris	Peter Stoeckel
Kaitlin Stoeckel	Lea Taylor	
Nick Edwards (local)	Wayne Shaw (local)	Simon Ryan (local)
Sarah Wignell (local)	Shane Wignell (local)	Andrew Vanzyl (local)
Ray Walker (local)	Marcia Pekaar (local)	John Curtis (local)
Peter Pekaar (local)	Trevor Stam (local)	

#### Field day section winners for March 2010

Best scale fish	Morris Kolman	Salmon	3.625 kg
Best bag of scale fish	Lea Taylor	Mixed bag	7.008 kg

#### Sportsperson of the Year section winners for March 2010

Best scale fish	Morris Kolman	Salmon	3.625 kg
Best bag of scale fish	Lea Taylor	Mixed bag	7.008 kg

#### Catch results and points for the March 2010 Field Day

Angler	Weight	Species	Fish	Points
Lea Taylor	7.008 kg	3	15	140.1
Malcolm Harris	4.084 kg	4	14	120.8
Peet Wessels	4.81 kg	3	9	118.1
Sandra Wessels	3.296 kg	4	8	113
Theo Van Niekerk	3.273 kg	3	12	102.7
Morris Kolman	4.039 kg	2	5	100.4
George Holman	2.844 kg	3	4	98.4
Michael Gaudin (visitor)	1.124 kg	2	7	71.2
Pat McKeown	0.32 kg	1	2	53.2
Terry Fuller	0.122 kg	1	1	51.2
David Maxted	0	0	0	40
Kaitlin Stoeckel	0	0	0	40
Peter Stoeckel	0	0	0	40
Vix Alexander	0	0	0	40
Peter Pekaar (local)	0.284 kg	1	1	22.8
Shane Wignell (local)	0.252 kg	1	1	22.5
Trevor Stam (local)	0.125 kg	1	2	21.3
Sarah Wignell (local)	0.11 kg	1	1	21.1
John Curtis (local)	0	0	0	10
Marcia Pekaar (local)	0	0	0	10
Nick Edwards (local)	0	0	0	10
Ray Walker (local)	0	0	0	10
Simon Ryan (local)	0	0	0	10
Wayne Shaw (local)	0	0	0	10
Andrew Vanzyl (local)	0	0	0	10

Does not includes points for attendance at March General Meeting.

Species caught on the March Field Day were:- Salmon, Herring, Flathead, Skippy, Wrasse, Banded sweep, Whiting, Tailor.

Local catches recorded by Marcia Pekaar. Bluff Creek catches recorded by and all entered into the Field Day computer scoring system by Terry Fuller

### **Local field day report Monday 1 March**

Left home in the hills around 4:20am to meet with fellow Surfcasters that didn't go on the Bluff Creek trip. Met Shane Wignell, Ray Walker and Marcia and Peter Pekaar bright and early for a 5:45am start under the Canning Bridge at Mt Pleasant area.

After some fishy stories from Peter as to the likely 'hot' spots in the nearby area, it was decided we head back over the bridge and fish lures along the shore.

Peter gave us newer members some instruction on tying a leader to braided line and also how to tie the correct knot to your lure. Thanks Pete for the time taken to show us.

I have never fished lures or plastics before, so I decided to try some soft plastics, whilst the others opted for their favourite hard-bodied lure. Armed with my assorted range of plastic wrigglers, I headed up the shore a few metres and into the water. 1st cast didn't really get much distance on a 1/16 jig head, so remembering my lessons on single handed dry casting techniques, I ripped one further into the river.

Well, it was very worth the long trip down the hill from Gidgegannup; as the moment this second cast hit the water I was on! Let me tell you I was happy. A nice bream of 30cm was now sitting at my feet. You beauty!!!! I heard Marcia and Pete congratulating me and Marcia shouting "I want to use what he's using..."

A few metres ahead Shane is onto a small flathead, whilst the rest of us looked on from a distance. Shane was determined to cover as much ground as possible and was miles ahead of the rest of us. Those on hard lures seemed to avoid the blowies, but I was not so lucky, unhappily feeding them my plastics.

Well as most of the action seemed to occur at first light, and our catch being a few flathead, a grunter and a bream, we all headed back to the car park around 8:45am. What a pleasant way to spend a morning.

On our way back over the bridge, we noticed the schools of large bream gathering underneath us, chasing the small bait fish that were about. Too bad they weren't hungry for lures.

I'd like to thank Marcia and Peter for getting us out there this morning and arranging the time and place. I will certainly be there again next time.

Andrew Vanzyl

### **Another enjoyable field day**

Once again, Peter and I joined forces with a few other members to fish locally on the long weekend. We met up with John Curtis, Ray Walker, Shane Wignell and his daughter, Sarah Wignell, at Floreat around 4.30pm. Sarah fished well and put in a gallant effort lugging the bucket of water from one spot to another to add fish to their collection. Unfortunately, she only weighed in one whiting, albeit of a good size, the others on her hook having escaped. Well, Sarah, that is more than I weighed in.

Peter Pekaar caught a tailor and a Port Jackson shark and that was about it. My catch of a couple of tailor were all too small to keep.

The easterly wind blew all evening, keeping the catch low. There were a couple of men fishing to the south of Sarah and Shane and they landed a small shark. We all gathered around to watch them struggle to remove the hooks. That was quite an exciting end to our fishing session.

Following our weigh-in Ray, Peter and I shared a pizza before heading home. Sarah was a little tired so she and Shane declined to join us.

As Andrew has reported elsewhere in the Reel Talk, on Monday, 1 March, we fished in the early morning in the Canning Bridge area. When we'd had enough, we packed up and made our way back to the car park.

Andrew was inspired to try his luck elsewhere so we parted company and accepted Ray Walker's invitation to join him for a cuppa at his place, nearby in Como. We chatted over coffee at Ray's until we were energised enough to drive home, clean up and enjoy the rest of our long weekend.

I am looking forward to more of these local fishing jaunts. We don't have to drive far or take much gear and the social atmosphere is refreshing. Seeing Sarah Wignell attend with her Dad is encouraging. Hopefully more young members would attend these local field days if they knew other young people were likely to be there. Sarah is now keen to attend dry casting to improve her skills even further.

We plan to attend plenty more local field days when not attending the away venues, so please feel free to contact us to arrange to fish with us and/or suggest venues to try. At the General Meeting prior to each field day, we will confirm if we'll be fishing locally.

Contact details:

Home phone:                              Peter's mobile:                              Marcia's mobile: I  
Email:                                         (home) or (work)

Marcia Pekaar

### **The trip to Bluff Creek**

After much sorting and loading it is finally time to depart for Bluff Creek. Making my way out of Perth at 9 o'clock on Friday the 26th Feb, I headed for my first port of call, Williams. After a long drive with traffic doing things they should not be doing - do double white lines mean pass as many cars as you can without being hit? Anyway the day was very warm, with no air conditioning in this limo.

Arrived Williams about midday, drove through to find a lunch spot, found a good spot with tables and shade, parked up and sat down to have a bite and drink when in drives another vehicle and stops opposite where I am sitting, family gets out with kids real happy to be there. After much whining dad takes bikes off car and lets them run around. So much for peace and quiet, pack up and move on towards Mount Barker.

Arrived Mount Barker and refueled for trip to Manypeaks. Got going again and turned off into Millbrook Road from Albany Highway, going along road was being worked on, slowed down spotted a guy up ahead with a sign reads Stop which I did, no other traffic on road wanders up and leans on the door:- "how ya going?"

"Good" I said. To which he turned the sign and I drove on arriving at Manypeaks.

Looked around, not much happening here, then a teacher comes out of the school and rings a hand bell to end the day for the kids. All six walked across the road under escort from the teacher but wait, there is more happening, the school bus arrives, the local dog runs up and greets a boy getting off the bus. Well after all that George calls and gives me the news he is about an hour away.

So with that I wander into the shop and buy a paper to read whilst waiting. Need a walk so thought well go and see the sights. There's the CWA hall, tennis courts, that's the end of the sights that end of town go the other way and find what seems to be a caravan park and a couple of houses. Oh well back to the paper.

George and his merry band arrive for a bit of a chat (hard to get a word out of George)

Well departed Manypeaks for Bluff Creek down the road somewhat and turn off into the road in next minute the corrugations start and very dusty. Backed off to have a car right up my rear, a local farmer's son left in the dust then it starting raining, turned the wipers then it stopped, oh well it tried.

Met up with George and his merry men to deflate tyres and set up for sand etc.

"Let's go" is the cry from George off we go up and down around corners when all of a sudden is a trailer coming at me George reversing to have another go at getting over the hill. I reverse to get out of the way, anyway off we go onto the beach to head for the campsite, arrived about 6 o'clock. Some are already there from the previous day Peet, Sandra and Wayne Morris.

We set up camp. Terry comes over and invites me to dine with them that evening. How could I refuse. We dine on toast and stew, very nice but wait there is sweets. Terry's special ground rice custard, we all settle down from that when Terry gets up and comes out with pumpkin scones his wife had made. This is high living to the max. Terry and Dave sorted dishes whilst George supervised. I watched in amazement at this well oiled machine in operation.

George put up the Loo. Dave was waiting but I beat him. Most upset was Dave he always test drives the Loo.

### **Saturday.**

Very windy. Set off looking for fishing spots with Wayne. Thanks to Terry's "*Reading the Beach*" talk at the last General meeting it made sense looking at the beach. We went East and West found a couple of spots, went back to camp had a chat, headed back out with George and his merry band looking for spots. Found some more and decided time to fish, loaded up with bait and a 6oz sinker, cast out but a strong wind and undertow brought it back in down the beach. Wayne said you need a bigger sinker and kindly supplied me with one 8oz. My goodness like casting a house brick, anyway got it in the water.

Gave it away for lunch, went back to camp George and his merry crew were there what you get? Nothing I replied. Let's see your rig that's not a rig here copy these which I did. Headed back out at 4 o'clock still blowing, cast out, got a bite then dragged in a good size to me herring. Then a while later another, George was real happy, couldn't catch a herring to save his life but caught other good fish. After 4 hours of wind and sand, time to head home for a feed and a couple of beers.

Said my goodnights and went to bed. Still very windy, rocked the vehicle all night, still warm and out of the weather and a good day.

### **Sunday**

Woke up to a windy day, as a matter of fact a very windy day. George and his bunch of merry men still cutting wood must need their beauty sleep.

Looked over Wayne was stirring waved good morning then onto organizing breakfast. Tried sitting at table, nobody to serve breakfast. Oh well better get it myself. After breakfast had a chat with Wayne decided to go onto the beach and try some fishing. Wind stronger on beach, traveled up and down. Some club members already fishing. Really keen this lot, I thought, better make an effort, located a spot just past the reef at the western end of beach.

Cast in, line came back, caught in rip, oh well, fix that put a bigger sinker on, cast an 8oz out nearly took my arm off, still got out and held bottom. Wayne wanders over, just heard weather forecast winds getting stronger from Albany to Israelite Bay. You beauty more wind. Tried a bit longer, no bites just hard slogging, drove along beach everyone else in same boat. "Just keep trying" is the catch cry.

Wayne and I decided to go back to camp for a while. George and his merry band have woken up and are moving around. Quite a sight in the morning groans, moans much scratching to greet the new day.

George relates the story on the dunny last night. George went up the hill in the moonlight roll in hand, wind blowing, to the spot where the dunny stands but to his amazement it's gone. Can't be I put it here Friday, do we have a dunny napper in the area? After looking around he spots it blown over by the wind. Well no choice but to put it back up, after all effort George sat in the moonlight contented with a job well done. After hearing that, decided time for a cuppa. As time was getting on decided to stay in camp and tidy up ready for the lunch time Barbie.

One more go George decided to go onto the beach and try before lunch, came back no luck.

Well time for the club BBQ over by the creek at the other camp who kindly offered their BBQ to cook on, so cook we did and enjoyed the company at the Barbie. Everyone in good spirits even those that caught a little and those with stories to tell. Well meat is cooked and beer is cold, time to sit and enjoy.

Finished lunch when the dog came over to greet me I thought, but my plate smelt good, better clean that for him thought he, well a few good licks and the plate is like brand new. Well done. Off we go and see what else is on offer at this function thinks he. As the stomach is contented with food and a beer it's time to go back to my camp. Had a chat with Wayne and decide to wait and see if wind dies down. The wind gods must have heard as it got stronger, decided to stay in camp.

George and his merry men came back from the BBQ and decided it was time for a nana nap, off they went snore and more snore then wake up. Terry reading a book, George wandering around, Dave still in bed did not want to get up, any way finally rises and George says "let's have one more cast"

George and Dave got dressed up to go onto the beach, Terry being the sensible one of the merry band takes a chair and book.

Well later on the George and his merry band return to camp windblown, not sure if any fish were caught.

Well had tea and a chat with George, Wayne and the merry band by then time to turn in. Wind rocks me to sleep maybe to dream about the wind calming down and catching that big one or any fish will do.

## **Monday**

Somebody was very keen coming through the camp just before daylight on their way to the beach, hopefully it paid off. After a while daylight started to appear, time to get up and start my final day at Bluff Creek. After making a brew and having breakfast it was time to start packing up. Wayne and I had agreed to travel out together as I was not sure of way out, my wife reckons my sense of direction is off with the fairies. I don't know why she thinks like that!!!

Then George as his merry band appear stunned by daylight!! Well one more cast is the order off they go. Did they catch anything George will have own up to that one.

Any way time is drawing close for the weigh in at 10 o'clock. People assemble all waiting for the clock to chime 10.

Out comes the box with the scales inside. The lid is removed the scales are removed and placed on the table set and ready to weigh the catch with a flurry out come all the prized possessions for the competition weigh in. Lea steps up and weighs in, well done 15 fish @ 7.08kg makes him top dog on the day.

Top Lady on the day is Sandra 8 fish @ 3.296kg, well done. Peet had the fish of the weekend a really good sized salmon. I am sure the photo will be passed around at a few meetings to come!! I would like to add since joining the club and going on field trips I have not gone home empty handed, thanks people.

All the results will be published and announced I am sure.

After much chat about what was caught and missed we all started to think about moving on towards home. I am sure all had a good time with top company with the same interests. I would like to thank all who passed on knowledge and friendship over the weekend.

Well all packed up and ready to go on to Albany to catch with my brother and his family.

Wayne and I set off after saying goodbye to George and his merry band who are staying on until Tuesday. Hope the wind dies down for them?

Well along the track we go, I am in the lead, whoops wrong turn how big is that hill? Wayne catches up and we decide to head for the beach. Smart move can't wander too far there. Arrive at turnoff to Bluff Creek Road track up and over the hill winding through the scrub to



come out by the farm gate, park up to pump up tyres for trip home. Nearly all of the group are there, compressors going flat out.

Then in a flurry of dust motorbikes and quad bikes appear out of the track, load up on their respective trailers and tray tops, all take off down the track. By then we had finished so once more goodbye to group and set off down the road, still very corrugated good to get onto the sealed road again.

Go through Manypeaks for last time for a while. See you all next time as I waved to the dog on side of the road wondering where all the traffic is coming from.

Follow Wayne into a truck bay to offload rubbish from trip, say our goodbyes and head off to Albany with good memories of a trip with the Surfcasters.

### **The Bluff Creek mob**

Terry Fuller, George Holman, Peet Wessels, Morris Kolman, Malcolm Harris, Theo Van Niekerk, Vix Alexander, Kaitlin Stoeckel, Lea Taylor, David Maxted, Sandra Wessels, Michael Gaudin (visitor ) Peter Stoeckel & Me

Pat McKeown

### **Field Day top scores for 2009/10**

Total scores up to and including March Field Day, excluding March General Meeting.

Name	Points	Rank	Name	Points	Rank	Name	Points	Rank
Malcolm Harris	1594.7	1	Morris Kolman	150.4	23	Bev Grigo	50	45
Peet Wessels	1424.4	2	Greg Walker	150	24	Eric Parker	50	46
Sandra Wessels	1233.2	3	Marcia Pekaar	134.9	25	Joseph Kolman	50	47
George Holman	786.7	4	Adam Metro	130.6	26	Steve Gee	50	48
Mark Hansen	773.2	5	Andrew Vanzyl	124.4	27	John Curtis	42.8	49
Theo Van Niekerk	551.1	6	Daniel Jambanis	114	28	Alex Michaelidis	40	50
Vix Alexander	542.6	7	Ian Taggart	112.6	29	Aniello Pizzolante	40	51
Ian Cook	506.1	8	Kaitlin Stoeckel	110	30	Bill Ransted	40	52
Greg Keet	471.2	9	Peter Iozzi	106.1	31	Chrystyne Crompton	40	53
Charles Faure	456.2	10	Nick Edwards	104.2	32	Clive Verburgt	40	54
David Maxted	420.4	11	Wayne Shaw	104.2	33	Daniel McKeown	40	55
Lea Taylor	419.2	12	Holly Walker	100	34	Felicity Keet	40	56
Wendy Hansen	390.8	13	Michelle Walker	100	35	Luke Hatingh	40	57
Peter Stoeckel	311.2	14	Simon Ryan	90	36	Olivia Keet	40	58
John Crompton	269	15	Morgan Keet	80	37	Patrick McKeown	40	59
Peter Osborne	249.4	16	Michael Gaudin	71.2	38	Sharon Wee	40	60
Sabatino Pizzolante	199.5	17	Vince Iozzi	70	39	Shaun Herbst	40	61
Pat McKeown	194.4	18	Josh Lucocq	69.7	40	Tina Lucocq	40	62
Melvin Wee	186	19	Stefan Wiklund	69.2	41	Trevor Stam	21.3	63
Peter Pekaar	182.5	20	Dean Stewart	61.9	42	Sarah Wignell	21.1	64
Shane Wignell	173.5	21	Pat Wee	55.6	43	Ray Walker	10	65
Geoff Raftis	166.7	22	Terry Fuller	51.2	44			

### **Barron Lure competition**

The Barron Lure competition is sponsored by Eric Parker, who donates the trophies. Try Eric's poppers, you will not be disappointed.

Heaviest Tailor on Lure.	George Holman	2.3 kg caught at Wagoie.
Heaviest Salmon on Lure.	Lea Taylor	1.99 kg caught at Bluff Creek.
Heaviest Scale Fish on Lure.	Peet Wessels	6.118 kg Yellow Tailed Kingfish at Rottnest

## Field Day sections up to March 2010

1A	Best Scale Fish (1st Six Months)	Peet Wessels	Yellowtail Kingfish	6.118 kg
1B	Best Scale Fish (2nd Six Months)			
2	Most Meritorious Fish	To be awarded by Committee		
3	Best Shark (4.5kg min)			
4	Best Mulloway (2.0kg min)			
5	Best Tailor (1.0kg min)	David Maxted	Tailor	1.684 kg
6	Best Salmon (3kg min)	Theo Van Niekerk	Salmon	4.432 kg
7	Best Skipjack Trevally (0.5 kg min)	Lea Taylor	Skipjack Trevally	1.14 kg
8	Best Mackerel (2kg Min)			
9	Best Scale Fish (Other than above)	Greg Keet	Yellowtail Kingfish	5.816 kg
10	Best Bag Of Scale Fish	Malcolm Harris	Mixed Bag	14.124 kg
11	Best Bag Of Mulloway (2 Fish Min)			
12	Best Bag Of Tailor (2 Fish Min)	Geoff Raftis	Tailor	6.67 kg
13	Best Fish On S/H Rod 4kg b/s line (max)	Mark Hansen	Flathead	0.566 kg
14	Best Fish Caught on Fly Rod			

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## A great Bluff Creek salmon

Peet Wessels caught this 7.11kg salmon at Bluff Creek on the Friday afternoon before the field day.

Peet has entered it:-

in the Open Competition section 4 for the heaviest salmon

for a Club record

for the Grand Masters badge

and

for a Species badge.



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## Open fishing competition

These are the details of the Open competition sections up to March 2010. Entries for the Open competition close 30 days after capture.

Section	For	Minimum weight	Entry
1	Most Meritorious Capture	None	To be awarded by Committee
2	Best Shark	4.5 kg	
3	Best Mulloway	5.0 kg	
4	Best Salmon	3.5 kg	Peet Wessels, Bluff Creek, 7.11 kg
5	Best Dhufish	Legal size	
6	Best Tailor	1.5 kg	Mal Head, Kalbarri, 2.62 kg
7	Best Samson Fish	1.5 kg	
8	Best Fish on single handed rod maximum 4kg line class	Legal size	
9	Best Pink Snapper	2.0 kg	
10	Best Tarwhine	0.5 kg	

11	Best Mackerel	4.0 kg	
12	Best Skipjack Trevally (southern)	1.0 kg	
13	Best Trevally (northern)	4.0 kg	
14	Best Snook/Pike	0.5 kg	
15	Best Black or Yellow finned Bream	0.6 kg	
16	Best Scale fish other than sections 3 - 15	2.0 kg	
17	Best Fish caught on Fly Rod.	Legal size	

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### **March field day total length competition**

9 entered forms:- 4 local, 5 Bluff Creek. 69 fish made up of 10 species. 17.45 metres in total measured. Peet Wessels won March with a total length of 4.81 metres

Mark Hansen

### **2009 / 2010 State Rock and Beach Championship**

This Championship was held at Jurien Bay on the 13th and 14th March 2010. The briefing, weigh-in and presentation were held at the Jurien Bay Caravan Park.

The boundaries were from Cervantes Jetty to the Greenhead Jetty. This was a very well organized event with a large number of clubs and participants. Our club was represented by the following members: George Holman, Dave Maxted, Geoff Raftis, Sandra and Peet Wessels.

This location is a great venue with very easy fishing and combined with the excellent weather we had, it made for a great week-end's fishing. We all fished shoulder to shoulder and it was great to witness and share some very memorable fishing moments. The fishing started off slowly until just before sunset when we witnessed a very special event. All of a sudden the calm water erupted in a boiling pot. Bait fish were jumping and scrambling in their thousands with hundreds of Tailor leaping into the air. At first we could not understand this commotion, but then when we saw the shark fin in-between the action, we all understood what was happening.

It was not long before our rods started to go off like rattling guns. First Sandra's two rod's went, and then both my two went off and then when I looked over to the other guys they were all standing with bent rods in their hands. Needless to say this was the quickest I have ever seen 5 people catching their bag limits of Tailor. We soon switched over to other rigs and tried to bag a few other species, which included Herring, Snook and Flathead.

At the weigh in on Sunday it was very interesting to see all the fish and species that were weighed in. Our veterans managed to win 3rd prize in their section and proved to still be a formidable force. Top honours went to Jason Pember who weighed in a staggering 11 species. He was also one of the organizers of the event. Congratulations to Jason and well done on a great job.

It was a fantastic weekend away, an opportunity to meet with people from other clubs and say hi to some old friends. It is great to report that our sport is growing and I am delighted to see how many youngsters were participating.

Hope the next time I see you is with a bent rod in the hand. Tight lines

Peet Wessels

### **Buy, sell or swap**

Members who want to buy, sell or swap something fishing related can advertise in the Reel Talk free of charge. Contact me with the details.

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## **AAAWA Report**

There were 13 people present at the March meeting of the above Association. As Pat Shinnick was unable to attend, George Holman chaired the meeting. I was pleased to see Pat McKeown represent our club in the absence of Terry Fuller who had a special function to attend.

Information is starting to come from New South Wales on the forthcoming mid-term meeting at South West Rocks and there will be some follow-up.

Pat Shinnick sent in his President's report and made the point of starting to plan for office bearers for the annual general meeting as he will be stepping down, and feels the Association is on track. He also reported on the forthcoming State Boat Championships to be held at Mandurah this month.

Don Cox and Jason Pember gave a good report on the State Rock and Beach Championships held at Jurien Bay on 13 and 14 March. There were 119 competitors present and some good bags were weighed in.

There were a couple of hiccups with competition numbers and Don and Jason will be holding a meeting soon to iron out any problems and also to have a serious look at next year's Championships at Cheynes Beach. The biggest problem down there will be accommodation as this caravan park has become very popular.

Geraldton Club and Mount Barker Offshore were present at Jurien and it was good to see them present.

The notice of motion to lift the veterans age for future competitions to 60 years commencing 1 August was a unanimous vote in the affirmative.

Offshore Beach are proposing to put forward a super veterans section of 70 years and over for individuals.

I gave a report on the current status with the Western Australian Recreational Campers Organization Incorporated (WARCO) group and later a letter from the President of this group will be circulated.

A brief mention was made about the State dry casting on making sinkers and purchasing a couple of hose reels to hold the ropes which are loose in the trailer.

AAAWA Delegate George Holman

## **Club Competition Rules and Club Constitution**

Printed copies of the Club's current Fishing and Dry Casting Competition Rules and Club Constitution are available.

The latest version of the Competition Rules is dated 11 January 2010. A separate document is also available showing the changes made between the last 2006 and the current 2010 versions. That includes the motions and changes which were found in a search through Reel Talks from those years. Some changes may not have been included because of incomplete records.

The current legal version of the Constitution as registered with the Department of Commerce is dated 30 September 2009 to identify it, but the contents are from an unknown much earlier time.

The Club Constitution is very old and has many problems. New laws for Incorporated Associations now have different requirements. Department of Commerce provides a sample constitution which will make it easier to meet these requirements.

If you have any earlier versions, please mark them as out of date if you want to keep them for future reference, or throw them away and get a current version.

Contact the Secretary for a copy or see the club's web site for the online versions. See <http://www.surfcasters.iinet.net.au/ClubRulesMain.html>

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## Draft calendar for 2010/11

Spot any mistake(s), please. I need people to read and check all these dates. Please tell me if you find anything wrong or if **you think** something's wrong.

<b>31</b>	AAA Event	<b>22</b>	Quobba Safari	<b>26</b>	Presentation Night			
<b>7</b>	Dry Casting	10	General Meeting	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	Field Day	<b>47</b>	Committee Meeting

### Draft SCAC event calendar 2010/11 - Draft version dated 18 March 2010.

All field day dates still have to be confirmed.

May 2010							June 2010							July 2010						
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February 2011							March 2011							April 2011						
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	1	2	3	4	5	<b>6</b>		1	2	3	4	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>					1	2	<b>3</b>
7	8	<b>9</b>	10	11	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>7</b>	8	<b>9</b>	10	11	12	<b>13</b>	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
14	15	<b>16</b>	17	18	19	20	14	15	<b>16</b>	17	18	19	20	11	12	<b>13</b>	14	15	16	17
21	22	23	24	25	26	27	21	22	23	24	25	<b>26</b>	27	18	19	<b>20</b>	21	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>
28							28	29	30	31				<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	27	28	29	30	

5/6/7 March 2011 is also an AAWA event.

WA public holidays, from Department of Commerce website.

Foundation Day	Monday 7 June 2010	Queen's Birthday	Mon 27 September 2010
New Year holiday	Mon 3 January 2011	Australia Day	Wed 26 January 2011
Labor Day	Monday 7 March 2011	Anzac Day	Monday 25 April 2011
Easter	Friday 22 April - Monday 25 April 2011		

Anzac Day and Easter Monday both fall on Monday 25 April. A special public holiday will be proclaimed for Tuesday 26 April.

**WA school holidays** for Primary and Secondary students in Government schools in WA are:- (from <http://www.eddept.wa.edu.au/termdates/> )

Sat 3 July to Mon 19 July 2010	Sat 25 September to Mon 11 October 2010
Sat 18 Dec 2010 to Tue 1 February 2011	Fri 22 April - Sun 8 May 2011

Reel Talk Editor, Terry Fuller

### **Committee's recommended 2010/11 Field Day dates, venues and boundaries**

The list published in the March Reel Talk has been revised, with the June Field Day now proposed for Emu Springs.

The deadline for deciding the final list of venues is the April General Meeting. The list has been discussed at the March General Meeting, and finalised at the March Committee meeting for publishing in the April Reel Talk, to be voted on by the members at the April General Meeting.

Month	Suggested venue	Dates	Boundaries
May 2010	Rottneest	May 15/16	All open waters of Rottneest Island.
Jun 2010	Emu Springs	June 5/6/7	As far as you can drive east or west along the coast.
Jul 2010	Capes North	July 17/18	Busselton Jetty to Margaret River.
Aug 2010	Rottneest	Aug 14/15	All open waters of Rottneest Island.
Sep 2010	S-Bend	Sep 25/26/27 LWE	7-Mile to Tarcoola.
Oct 2010	Local	Oct 16/17	North Mole to Mindarie Marina plus Swan and Canning Rivers.
Nov 2010	Cervantes	Nov 13/14	Cervantes to as far as you can walk north of Hill River.
Dec 2010	Seabird	Dec 11/12	As far as you can walk south of Moore River to Beacons north end of Lancelin.
Jan 2011	Local	Jan 15/16	North Mole to Mindarie Marina plus Swan and Canning Rivers.
Feb 2011	White Hills/Myalup	Feb 12/13	White Hills to Myalup.
Mar 2011	Bluff Creek	March 5/6/7 LWE	Same as AAAWA State Rock and Beach Championships, Bremer River mouth to Albany Harbour jetty.
Apr 2011	Reef Beach	Apr 22 to 26 Easter / ANZAC	Point Charles (east of Bremer Bay) to Reef Beach.

Minutes Secretary Terry Fuller

### **General Meeting dates proposed for 2010/11**

These are all on the standard second Wednesday of the month.

12 May 2010	9 June 2010	14 July 2010
11 August 2010	8 September 2010	13 October 2010
10 November 2010	8 December 2010	12 January 2011
9 February 2011	9 March 2011	13 April 2011

Reel Talk Editor, Terry Fuller

## **Drycasting dates proposed for 2010/11**

These are mostly the first Sunday of the month, except Fathers' Day, or when the Field Day is on then due to a long weekend, or when the Yokine Reserve cannot be booked.

2 May 2010	13 June 2010 (Note 1)	4 July 2010
1 August 2010	12 September 2010 (Notes 1, 2)	3 October 2010
7 November 2010	5 December 2010	2 January 2011 (Note 3)
6 February 2011	13 March 2011 (Note 1)	3 April 2011

**Note 1.** Field Day is on the long weekend. **Note 2.** September avoids Fathers' Day.

**Note 3.** May need to shift to 9 January if the City of Stirling uses Yokine Reserve for a New Year carnival as in 2010.

Reel Talk Editor, Terry Fuller

## **AAAWA State Championships during 2010/11**

State Rock and Beach Fishing Championships Sat/Sun/Mon 5, 6, 7 March 2011, Cheynes Beach Caravan Park. Boundaries Bremer River mouth to Albany Harbour jetty.

State Boating Championships, Saturday 26 March 2011, Marmion Angling Club.

State Estuary Championships, 27/28 November **2010** Swan and Canning rivers and Cockburn Sound. (**Note the correction.** Was shown as 2011 in the January Reel Talk.)

State Dry Casting Championships, Yokine Reserve, Sunday 31 October 2010.

AAAWA Delegate, Terry Fuller

## **Safari for 2010/11**

The October General Meeting agreed that a Safari be arranged for the Quobba/Cape Cuvier area in May - June 2010. The date chosen is 22-29 May 2010. See the President's reports in recent Reel Talks for some more details.

Reel Talk Editor, Terry Fuller

## **Bring a friend to a Club activity**

Please bring a friend, a relative, a workmate, neighbour or an acquaintance to a General meeting, to Dry Casting or to a Club fishing Field day.

Let them know what the Club does, and let them find out for themselves some of the benefits of being a club member, particularly getting all those fishing and casting tips from experienced club members.

Show your friends your copy of Reel Talk and let them know there is a lot more about the club on the Club website <http://www.surfcasters.iinet.net.au/>

Reel Talk Editor, Terry Fuller

## **Please return perpetual trophies**

It's that time again, preparation for the Presentation night.

Please return all perpetual trophies to the Club at the next General Meeting in April.

Reel Talk Editor, Terry Fuller

## **Presentation night in 2010**

This Presentation night will be the culmination of the Club's 2009/2010 competition year.

A booking has been made for Saturday 26 June 2010 at the Glengarry Tavern, corner of Warwick Road and Glengarry Drive, Duncraig for a three course sit down meal. See more details on the inside front cover of Reel Talk. **NOTE:-** Change of venue.

Social Organiser, John Crompton

## Dry Casting report 7 March 2010

A strong gusty wind blowing from the east and the temperature around 30 deg. 22 casters and 3 visitors signed on to enjoy the morning's cast. George and Terry took some other visitors aside and gave tips on casting, etc. Was great to see Mark and Wendy back.

Many thanks to all who set up the courts and to Marcia and Owen for putting out the flags, also to Gary Gildersleeves for collecting them at the end of the day.

That head wind really cut back the distances. The markers said they could see the weights slowing down in the air and just falling down instead of keeping going.

In the Seniors, Peter Pekaar cast a distance of 152 metres in the 112 gram distance. Jeff Hewton scored 2 bullseyes in double handed accuracy.

Congratulations must go to George Holman in the Veterans for setting a club record in single handed accuracy with a score of 37, with 1 bullseye and 3 scores of 9. Well done. Also in the Veterans, Gary Gildersleeves had a cast of 136 metres in the 112 gram distance.

Ladies saw Marcia Pekaar cast a distance of 96 metres in 122 gram. Mini junior Sarah Wignell had a cast of 31 metres in the 112 gram.

Section winners for 7 March

Seniors	Mark Hansen	199	Ladies	Marcia Pekaar	169
Vets	Gary Gildersleeves	262	Mini Juniors	Sarah Wignell	51

At the April Drycasting, Seniors will be casting distance first and then accuracy.  
Veterans will cast accuracy first and then distance.

Ladies and Juniors will probably cast with the Seniors to even out the numbers in each group.

A single handed Open will be held after the usual events have been cast.

I would like to take this opportunity to apologise to Vix Alexander for the mix up with the single handed accuracy record. When I announced that Marcia Pekaar had equaled the record, I was unaware that the previous recorder had not been keeping the records up to date. Mal Harris gave me a result sheet dated 31 August 2003 which shows Vix scoring 36 points, yet the current record sheet dated December 2008 has the Women's single handed accuracy record at 29 points.

Dry Casting Officer Allan Jones

## Dry Casting report Seniors, Ladies, Mini-Juniors

This month, we would like to welcome back Mark & Wendy Hansen to dry casting. Mark has been through a rough time with health issues recently and as a result has missed several months of dry casting. Despite this break, he top scored in double handed accuracy with 118 points and went on to win the Seniors' event with 199 points. Well done, Mark.

Following closely behind Mark in double handed accuracy with 106 points was Jeff Hewton. Two bullseyes on his last two casts received a rousing cheer.

Peter Stoeckel went on to score 24 points in single handed accuracy, making him the winner in that event. Casting with braid for the first time helped Shane Wignell with his overall distances, in fact he won the 56 gram score. Consistent casting helped Marcia Pekaar win the Ladies' division.

This month, we also welcomed our newest Mini Junior, Sarah Wignell. Sarah, Owen and Kaitlin all shared the day's wins in the distance casting events. Sarah won both the double and single handed accuracy events, meaning she was the overall mini-junior winner for the day, with 51 points. This was a great effort for a first-timer.

I would like to thank everyone in our group for helping with scoring on the field, laser duties, and recording scores. Being a small group meant we all had to contribute to the overall success of the day.

Peter Pekaar



## Dry Casting results, 7 March 2010

These results have been prepared from the original hand written distances and scores recorded on the day. Marcia and Peter Pekaar copied the scores from the score sheets into an electronic format, adjusted the distance scores for the 20 metre measurement setback, and cross checked all final figures against the original score sheets.

Terry Fuller used his computer system to process the results to calculate the points, add all together, sort into final score order, extract the section winners and year's best as shown on the second page, and progressive scores for use at the end of the competition year.

Results for the day	56 gram			Artificial Bait			112 gram			Double Handed Accuracy									Single Handed Accuracy					Day Total	Attendance		Total Points	
	Cast 1 (m)	Cast 2 (m)	Points	Cast 1 (m)	Cast 2 (m)	Points	Cast 1 (m)	Cast 2 (m)	Points	Target number									Target distance						DC	GM		
										3	3	1	1	4	4	2	2	Points	L	S	L	S	Points					
<b>Seniors</b>																												
Mark Hansen	82	82	16	84	88	17	90	89	18	18	16	12	22	15	2	21	12	118	0	8	5	7	20	189	10	0	199	
Peter Pekaar	128	0	13	125	119	24	142	152	29	18	12	0	21	0	9	11	11	82	6	8	4	5	23	171	10	0	181	
Jeff Hewton	0	111	11	0	115	12	0	131	13	0	21	12	2	0	21	25	25	106	0	2	7	8	17	159	10	0	169	
Peter Stoeckel	80	83	16	99	91	19	104	107	21	14	1	0	13	0	16	17	0	61	5	8	9	2	24	141	10	0	151	
Shane Wignell	77	89	17	77	77	15	92	0	9	0	0	0	5	0	0	1	6	12	0	0	0	0	0	53	10	0	63	
<b>Veterans</b>																												
Gary Gildersleeves	116	122	24	89	99	19	133	136	27	18	24	23	20	23	22	23	11	164	3	2	9	4	18	252	10	0	262	
George Holman	101	105	21	0	90	9	114	119	23	16	19	10	13	14	15	22	11	120	9	9	9	10	37	210	10	0	220	
Malcolm Head	87	100	19	77	91	17	123	119	24	8	15	14	23	8	23	10	19	120	9	6	6	7	28	208	10	0	218	
Terry Fuller	82	85	17	93	79	17	107	101	21	12	5	15	19	15	18	15	12	111	9	6	0	2	17	183	10	0	193	
Allan Jones	110	109	22	98	96	19	118	118	24	0	18	9	8	1	11	20	13	80	0	6	9	6	21	166	10	0	176	
John Crompton	40	29	7	78	78	16	42	91	13	0	20	23	23	0	0	10	11	87	0	0	5	0	5	128	10	0	138	
Geoff Raftis	83	76	16	92	82	17	0	102	10	10	0	17	19	0	4	14	20	84						127	10	0	137	
Trevor Stam	82	21	10	44	46	9	50	61	11	20	12	21	0	9	4	0	11	77	1	0	8	5	14	121	10	0	131	
Jim Strong										20	4	0	17	0	0	15	9	65	0	4	0	4	8	73	10	0	83	
Pat McKeown	45	54	10	54	66	12	0	42	4	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	14	19	0	9	0	7	16	61	10	0	71	
Ray Walker	61	63	12	66	67	13	72	44	12	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	11	14	0	0	0	8	8	61	10	0	69	
<b>Ladies</b>																												
Marcia Pekaar	84	87	17	79	74	15	98	92	19	17	0	17	0	7	21	20	4	86	8	7	0	7	22	159	10	0	169	
Jennie Stoeckel	69	65	13	57	49	11	66	63	13	11	12	15	0	0	10	0	12	60	0	0	0	0	0	97	10	0	107	
Wendy Hansen	69	0	7	73	66	14	84	89	17	10	9	0	6	0	0	6	11	42	0	2	0	0	2	82	10	0	92	
<b>Mini Juniors</b>																												
Sarah Wignell	22	28	5	18	25	4	31	30	6	0	10	0	0					10	2	5	9	0	16	41	10	0	51	
Owen Williams	20	28	5	25	36	6	40	42	8	0	0	0	0					0	0	1	0	7	8	27	10	0	37	
Kaitlin Stoeckel	9	28	4	14	22	4	30	22	5	0	0	0	0					0	0	0	0	0	0	13	10	0	23	

These scores were compiled on the day of casting and do not include points for attendance at March General Meeting.

## Dry Casting winners for 7 March 2010

Event	Seniors winner		Veterans winner	
56 gram Score	17	Shane Wignell	24	Gary Gildersleeves
56 gram Distance	128	Peter Pekaar	122	Gary Gildersleeves
Artificial Bait Score	24	Peter Pekaar	19	Gary Gildersleeves, Allan Jones
Artificial Bait Distance	125	Peter Pekaar	99	Gary Gildersleeves
112 gram Score	29	Peter Pekaar	27	Gary Gildersleeves
112 gram Distance	152	Peter Pekaar	136	Gary Gildersleeves
Double Handed Acc.	118	Mark Hansen	164	Gary Gildersleeves
Single Handed Acc.	24	Peter Stoeckel	37	George Holman
Section Highest Points	199	Mark Hansen	262	Gary Gildersleeves

Event	Ladies winner		Mini Juniors winner	
56 gram Score	17	Marcia Pekaar	5	Sarah Wignell, Owen Williams
56 gram Distance	87	Marcia Pekaar	28	Sarah Wignell, Owen Williams, Kaitlin Stoeckel
Artificial Bait Score	15	Marcia Pekaar	6	Owen Williams
Artificial Bait Distance	79	Marcia Pekaar	36	Owen Williams
112 gram Score	19	Marcia Pekaar	8	Owen Williams
112 gram Distance	98	Marcia Pekaar	42	Owen Williams
Double Handed Acc.	86	Marcia Pekaar	10	Sarah Wignell
Single Handed Acc.	22	Marcia Pekaar	16	Sarah Wignell
Section Highest Points	169	Marcia Pekaar	51	Sarah Wignell

Event	Overall winner for March		Year's best up to March	
56 gram Score	24	Gary Gildersleeves	30	Ian Cook, Malcolm Harris
56 gram Distance	128	Peter Pekaar	155	Ian Cook
Artificial Bait Score	24	Peter Pekaar	30	Malcolm Harris, Peter Pekaar
Artificial Bait Distance	125	Peter Pekaar	150	Peter Pekaar
112 gram Score	29	Peter Pekaar	35	Peter Pekaar
112 gram Distance	152	Peter Pekaar	179	Malcolm Harris
Double Handed Acc.	164	Gary Gildersleeves	171	Gary Gildersleeves
Single Handed Acc.	37	George Holman	37	George Holman
Section Highest Points	262	Gary Gildersleeves	293	Gary Gildersleeves

## Dry Casting top scores for 2009/10

Total scores up to and including March casting. Only the best 11 months out of 12 will count at the end of the competition year.

Name	Points	Rank	Name	Points	Rank	Name	Points	Rank
George Holman	2702	1	Peter Stoeckel	952	16	Pat McKeown	187	31
Allan Jones	2515	2	Jeff Hewton	928	17	Andrew Pekaar	178	32
Peter Pekaar	2306	3	Bob Henderson	660	18	Owen Williams	151	33
Terry Fuller	2258	4	Holly Walker	566	19	Greg Walker	130	34
Marcia Pekaar	2070	5	Ian Cook	555	20	Ray Walker	128	35
Malcolm Head	1919	6	Rhys Jones	537	21	Michael Goldenberg	102	36
John Crompton	1634	7	Geoff Raftis	535	22	Gino Bird	97	37
Malcolm Harris	1541	8	Jennie Stoeckel	354	23	Andrew Kymantas	69	38
Mark Hansen	1504	9	Jim Strong	350	24	Wilf Core	66	39
Vix Alexander	1355	10	Michelle Walker	327	25	Sarah Wignell	51	40
Gary Gildersleeves	1330	11	Charles Faure	308	26	Kevin Frampton	35	41
Dean Stewart	1289	12	Kaitlin Stoeckel	261	27	Eric Leigh	31	42
Trevor Stam	1134	13	Shane Wignell	248	28	Matt Dillon	31	43
Eric Parker	1088	14	Terry Willison	224	29			
Wendy Hansen	1037	15	Andrew Vanzyl	205	30			

## **Increased size of some fish**

Although I always read the Reel Talks I'm not always conscious of the weights of fish caught and or total bag sizes. I wondered if anyone has noticed that maybe size and bag limit restrictions imposed by officialdom are starting to bring results. I don't often fish these days from shore (or boat for that matter) but in the last couple of years I've noticed that the sizes of fish I've caught have started to increase.

In the case of Snapper and particularly Dhuiies (Jewies in the old money) I think there's still a long way to go because of the incredible pressure caused by an increase in the number of boat anglers. This is exacerbated by technology which has added to the expertise of even novice anglers.

However, in the case of Snapper (at least), although there doesn't seem to be much difference in size, the number of juveniles seems to have increased fairly dramatically. The last time I went out in the boat I didn't get one size Snapper but I caught many juvenile "Squire" size throwback Snapper. I have a spot I regularly fish which most boaties bypass because it's in relatively shallow water (15 metres) and it was most encouraging to see the number of littlies around.

Anyway, the thing that will interest club members most is that the sizes of Tailor locally has definitely increased. I've written about my local beach spot in the Reel Talk before and I had thought my fish captures were an anomaly.

However I've fished a few times at Swanbourne in the last two years and each time the sizes I've achieved have been better than (say) ten years ago.

A couple of weeks back I got four large oceanic blue back Tailor, a Herring and numerous bite offs from very large Tailor and sharks.

I've included a picture and although it doesn't convey their dimensions all that well, three would have been over a kilo and a half and one was probably a kilo and a bit.

A couple of days before that I got a nice school shark and got bitten off by others before I finally beefed up the trace line.



*Four nice Tailor from a local beach.*

For my next sortie there, I intend to try for Yellowfin Whiting. Years ago a good friend and I used to get enormous Yellowfins in roughly the same spot so applying the same size increase logic maybe I'll capture some good whiting next time the weather is hot and calm.

Stay tuned.

John Lee

## **Wanted - aluminium cans**

Wanted - Aluminium cans. Please bring them along to the General Meeting or to Mal Head's home, but not to Dry Casting. Mal saves them up and takes them to the recyclers when he has enough, and the price is right, and donates all the proceeds to the Club.

Property Officer, Malcolm Head

## **Please speak up at meetings**

Some members have commented that they can't hear what some other members are saying at the General Meetings. Sometimes the background noise, fans, refrigeration, etc makes it hard to hear. And yes some of us are older and our hearing is no longer as sharp as it used to be.

Please consider other members and speak clearly and loudly enough for everyone to hear what you are saying. Have a listen to the recordings of the meetings and compare how different people's voices sound.

A reminder that all comments should be made to the whole meeting and only after you have been recognised by the meeting Chairman and invited to speak. You may be answering a question or making a comment in reply to a member near you, but everyone should be able to hear everything that is said.

If you don't want it to be heard by everyone, then please wait until the meeting is over. This is all just the standard protocol for meetings everywhere and helps the meetings run more smoothly.

Minutes Secretary, Terry Fuller

## **Footwear at Club meetings**

The Coolbinia West Perth Amateur Football and Sporting Club has a sign in their meeting rooms banning bare feet. Surfcasters Club members are asked to wear suitable footwear in the Club rooms.

Reel Talk Editor, Terry Fuller

## **June Reel Talk contents and delivery to members**

### **Payment of accounts and recoups in May**

Reel Talk Editor and Treasurer Terry Fuller will be away from Perth and out of email contact from early on Friday 7 May to late on Sunday 30 May. I will not be able to attend the May General or Committee meetings.

I will (of course) start compiling the June Reel Talk before I leave, but I will not be able to include the content about Club activities in May until I return. This will make it VERY tight to finish the Reel Talk and get it posted out to reach people before the Field Day on the long weekend 5/6/7 June. Most of what is needed for that will be in the May issue.

If you have any urgent payments or recoups, please let me know well before I leave, as emails to me will not be handled until I return. The cheque book will be left with a Committee member for urgent payments.

Treasurer and Reel Talk Editor, Terry Fuller

## **Win free Club membership for a year**

As an added incentive for new members to join the Club, the Committee has decided to give away one year's free Club membership.

In the first draw to be held in late June, all members who have been accepted into the club between 1 July 2009 and 30 June 2010 will be in a draw to receive 1 year's free membership. The free membership will be for them and be the same type as they held in 2009/10, that is, single or family, etc.

Please let your fishing friends, relatives, workmates, neighbours or acquaintances know about this "**win free membership for a year**" offer, what the Club does, and the benefits of being a club member, particularly getting all those fishing and casting tips from experienced club members. Show them your copy of Reel Talk and let them know there is a lot more about the club on the Club website <http://www.surfcasters.iinet.net.au/>

It is likely that this offer will be repeated next year for people who have been accepted into the club between 1 July 2010 and 30 June 2011. Check later for confirmation.

Reel Talk Editor, Terry Fuller