

THE SURFCASTING & ANGLING CLUB OF W.A. (INC)  
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CLUB COMMITTEE FOR THE YEAR 1998/1999

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Committee Member  
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Committee Member  
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Committee Member  
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A.A.A. Delegates  
George Holman  
Ross Kember  
Proxy: Wayne Morris

Immediate Past Pres.  
Alan Brayne

CLUB ETIQUETTE

**MEETINGS:** The monthly general meeting is usually held on the 2nd Wednesday of each month at 8.00pm. All members should endeavor to attend the meeting so as to keep up with club matters.

**DRYCASTING:** Dry casting competitions are usually conducted on the first Sunday of each month. instruction is given to all new and existing members who want to learn and maintain the standard of the members casting.

**FIELD DAYS:** These normally follow each General meeting on the ensuing weekend. It is compulsory for anglers to attend both the sign on and the weigh in. Anglers who cannot attend the sign on for work or other unavoidable reasons may make prior arrangements for a late sign on. However, only under very exceptional circumstances will failure to attend weigh-ins not be penalised with the loss of points acquired during that field day. It is the Field day officer's duty to inform the Committee of any anglers who fail to attend the weigh in. It is then the Committees duty to decide what action shall be taken. disputes may be taken to the Committee. Entries for Game fish badges, Club records, and Open fishing competitions must be lodged with the club Recorder within 30 days of capture, and using the approved club forms.

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS:** Please notify the Treasurer and the Reel Talk Editor of any change or incorrect listing of address or phone numbers.

**GENERAL ETIQUETTE:** If any member intends to resign from the club a letter of resignation should be forwarded to the Secretary. Membership fees must be paid to the treasurer, and become due on 1<sup>st</sup> May each year, and must be paid in full by the 31<sup>st</sup> July. All voting/Nomination rights at the A.G.M. will be withdrawn if not financial.

LIFE MEMBERS

VIC DAVIS -D. EDWARD-L. DUNN-E. PARKER-J. STRONG-B. KLEIN-G. HOLMAN

# The Surfcasting and Angling Club of W.A.(inc.)

## Annual General Meeting held on the 11-8-99

The meeting was opened at 8-015 p.m. by President George Holman.

Apologies were received from Basil Marsh, Pat Mulreany, Julie Kember and the Freeman family.

Minutes of the previous general and committee meetings read and accepted. Business arising: Nil.

**Correspondence in:** The usual A.A.A. meeting minutes plus a letter from Kim Wiles explaining some of the pit falls in having a sand pit at the Kalbarri House. After discussion it was decided not to proceed with the sand pit.

**Treasurers report:** Moved Jim Strong, 2<sup>nd</sup> Darren Batchelor that the treasurers report be accepted. Carried.

It was moved Jim Strong, 2<sup>nd</sup> Bob Henderson that the accounts for payments be passed. Carried.

**Property report:** George Holman advised the members present that the Kalbarri house roof has been replaced and that the final repairs to the inside of the house were well under way via our insurance claim.

Thanks were given to all of the people involved with the repairs. A busy bee weekend was now needed to finish all of the other repairs not covered by insurance. Volunteers were needed to go up to Kalbarri and carry out these repairs. Volunteers were scarce to say the least. A meeting of those people prepared to go to Kalbarri is to be held on Monday the 16-8-99 at George Holmans place.

**A.A.A. report:** The Gascoyne Region Fishing Draft Proposal was briefly discussed and members were advised that the report must be sent in by the 27-8-99. Members asked to read the brochure carefully.

Please fill in the answer book and send it in early.

President asked if he could read out his Presidents report which would be going into the Reel Talk as he felt that it may have some bearing on the election of Officers which was about to begin. Carried.

It was moved Jim Strong, 2<sup>nd</sup> Trevor Stam that we suspend standing orders for the election of Officers. Carried.

President declared all positions were now vacant and asked Mark Farnay to conduct the election of President.

Terry Willison and Ken Black were asked to act as scrutineers for the elections.

The following people were elected to office: President — George Holman \*\*\*\* Vice President — Bob Henderson \*\*\*\* Treasurer — Wayne Morris \*\*\*\* Secretary — Ross Kember \*\*\*\* F.D.O. — Darren Batchelor \*\*\*\* A.F.D.O. — Ian Cook \*\*\*\* D.C.O. — Bob Henderson \*\*\*\* A.D.C.O.— Don Batchelor \*\*\*\* Fund raising and Social Organizer — Ken Black \*\*\*\* Property Officer — Wayne Morris \*\*\*\* Recorder — Ian Cook \*\*\*\* Bob Henderson has offered to care take the Reel Talk Editor's position. Committee members are Damien D'Mello, Karen Meder, Morris Kolman and Andrew Aubrey. Immediate Past President is Alan Brayne.

President congratulated all persons elected to office and asked for standing orders to be resumed.

Moved Ian Cook, 2<sup>nd</sup> Jim Strong that standing orders be resumed. Carried.

**General business:** Derry Barber commented on Darren Batchelor's good work over the past 12 months and was pleased that he had decided to take on the position of F.D.O. for the coming year.

Wayne Morris asked the members present to consider staying at the S Bend caravan park for the coming L.W.E. field-day at the end of September so we can all enjoy a field-day fishing together.

Congratulations to Daryl Halton who we understand became a father about 4 weeks ago.

The meeting closed at 10.20 p.m.

### SEPTEMBER 1999 GENERAL MEETING

**WHERE:** M.Y.A.S.G CLUB ROOM AT INGLEWOOD AQUATIC CENTRE ALEXANDER DRIVE  
**WHEN:** SEPTEMBER 8TH 1999 AT 8:00PM  
**INSTRUCTION** BASIC RIGS BY DARREN BATCHELOR

### SEPTEMBER DRYCASTING

**WHERE:** YOKINE RESERVE CNR ALEXANDER DRIVE AND WORDSWORTH AVE  
**WHEN:** 29TH AUGUST 1999  
**EVENTS:** 112GM DISTANCE, 36GM DISTANCE, D/H ACCURACY, S/H ACCURACY.

### SEPTEMBER FIELD DAY

**WHERE** OPEN  
**WHEN** 11/12 SEPT  
**SIGN ON** AT GENERAL MEETING ON SAFTY FORMS  
**LINES DOWN** 12 NOON SATURDAY  
**LINES UP** 12 NOON SUNDAY  
**WEIGH IN** AT G.HOLMAN HOUSE 4:00PM SUNDAY  
**BOUNDRIES** ALL TIDAL WATERS

### OCTOBER FIELD DAY

**WHERE** S/BEND  
**WHEN** 25/26/27 SEPTEMBER  
**SIGN ON** AT S/BEND C/V/PARK 1:00PM SATURDAY  
**LINES DOWN** 2PM SATURDAY  
**WEIGH IN** AT S/BEND C/V/PARK 9:00AM MONDAY  
**BOUNDRIES** SEVEN MILE BEACH TO POINT MOORE

### LOCAL FIELD DAY FOR OCTOBER

**SIGN ON** PHONE IN SIGN ON TO F.D.O BY 2000HRS THURSDAY NIGHT OR AT GENERAL MEETING IN SIGN ON BOOK PROVIDED.  
**LINES DOWN** SATURDAY 1400HRS  
**WEIGH IN** MONDAY 1000HRS G.HOLMANS HOUSE. SCALES WILL BE AVAILABLE ON HIS BACK PATIO. WEIGHTS MUST BE WITNESSED BY AN ADULT. FD MONEY TO BE LEFT WITH THE SCALES IN AN ENVELOPE WITH YOUR NAME. NO MONEY NO POINTS. RESULTS TO BE PHONED TO THE FDO BY 1800HRS THAT NIGHT.  
**BOUNDRIES** SOUTH MOLE TO MINDARIE KEYS INCLUDING THE SWAN RIVER

### FIELD DAYS 1999/2000

SEPTEMBER	OPEN	JANUARY	MYALUP/PRESTON
OCTOBER	S/BEND	FEBRUARY	OPEN
NOVEMBER	CERVANTES	MARCH	BLUFF CREEK
DECEMBER	LOCAL	APRIL	OPEN

## President's Report 1998/99

The 1998/99 year for the Surfcasters has been one of the most tragic and traumatic that I have encountered and whilst the first instance was unavoidable, the remainder were.

Tragedy struck us with the loss of Hans Wytenburg whilst returning from the Bluff Creek field day in a fatal car crash in which his son Karl was critically injured. Karl has subsequently made a full recovery and is back enjoying his outings at the club drycasting days. With the loss of Hans we all learnt how to appreciate just how big an influence he had on us all and also how much he was contributing to the running of our club activities and outside activities as well – AAA of W.A. and Recfishwest. Members of this calibre are rare and we could all take a leaf out of his book, as he was so positive.

With this last comment in mind, if a few of us had taken his lead there would not have been the problems we are currently facing and I will leave it at that!

The club was involved in the Boat Show last August and because of the positive and professional approach the members took we made a lot of friends and did our club name a lot of good. We also made a few dollars. This year's show we had to decline as they did not allow us to fund raise and this was one of the main reasons for our involvement. Thanks to all who helped.

We became involved with Williamson lures through the Boat Show and had them along to a couple of meetings as our instruction periods and also benefited through some products they made available to us. We thank them.

Seabass Lures were another manufacturer who has looked after us over the year and their sponsorship continues through their continual support of the three species (salmon, tailor and largest fish) caught on one of their lures over our competition year. It adds interest to our year and fishing and we appreciate their help.

Because we anticipated problems with the Boat Show we decided to get involved in the Caravan and Camping Show at the invitation of Pat Strahan. This proved to be a good decision and has set us up for future events and we are already looking at next year's event. It was great to see the positive response from all club members even with the short notice we had and because of this it was successful and has a lot of potential from a club aspect.

The social side of the club has been one of enjoyment and has been well organised. Unfortunately our elected Social Organiser Andy Woodford had to step down during the year as he was transferred to Collie and was doing a great job. Thanks Andy. Peter Stoeckel put his hand up and with the assistance of Phil Brayne was the year out and they have to be commended for their work. This culminated with the Dinner and Dance and this complimented their work, as it was a top night. The night casts and barbecues were also appreciated.

Darren Batchelor and Ian Cook did a good job with our field days and Darren's efforts were greatly appreciated particularly the black board summaries of the coming venues with input from Ian and these should be continued. We didn't do much to encourage Darren's efforts though as our attendance on a lot of the venues was tardy and we need to address this problem as this is the very basis of our activities.

Bob Henderson and Peter Stoeckel have done a great job with the drycasting and attendances have been improving although I'm sure they would like to see a lot participate. It is a great social morning and we are all still learning. We have also tutored a lot of people over the year and this is a positive way of obtaining more members.

Our cottage has given us a large headache of late as the roof had reached its use-by date and needed replacing. Murray Shaw had done a good job up to his resignation. A number of club members put their shoulders to the wheel and as a result the roof is on and the repairs are completed at the time of writing this report. We now need a working group to go up and do a few odd jobs and tidy up and then we will have a going concern again. I won't mention names but suffice to say thank you to all that have helped.



Congratulations to Darren Batchelor for winning the club Sportsman of the Year and to Wayne Morris on receiving the Clubperson of the Year. Also to Jennie Stoeckel, Andy Thorgerson and Don Batchelor for their awards for special service to the club. The quality of the efforts of these type of people are what make clubs successful and we should all take a leaf out of their books and follow the example they set. Let's all do this from now on as negativity only creates problems.

To all winners of our competitions during the year I extend congratulations and also to winners in the State events. Participation is what keeps clubs going and participants, usually, are rewarded for their efforts in more ways than one!

Statewise we are looking at the heaviest program I have witnessed in 34 years in the club as crunch time is at our door. We are currently putting submissions in for the Gascoyne Region Management Plan and the local West Coast Management Plan has just commenced. This means a lot of controls etc we are about to face but above all it will mean fishing licences for sure. This time next year we will know the outcome but in the mean time don't sit on your behind and do nothing...get involved and have your say. I know I have been boring you with my reteric but I cannot express the importance of these happenings. You all need to get involved.

In summary I would like to thank the committee for their efforts over the year and you, the members, for your input and involvement. I look forward to 1999/2000 with a positive involvement from you all and lets bury any negativity.

George Holman

### **August Social Report**

Hello! I have taken on the role of Social Organiser and I'm still pinching myself to see if it's all real! There will be a settling in period as I get the feel of my new position.

I have been assured help will be available when required, so I'll be asking some members for assistance and hopefully the work can be rotated to make it easier for all concerned.

Catering is familiar to me as it was my second job for twelve years, in the R.A.N.R., serving on patrol boats (fishery patrols etc), destroyers and shore bases.

We in the club have suffered a very trying year. That, on top of hard financial times, will make fund raising a hard slog. However I know we have enough character within the club to achieve our goals, **if** we are patient and persevere **together**.

Darren has asked for club windcheaters to made available again. Good idea! But we must bulk order to keep costs down.

Club Polo Shirts:	\$20:00
Club T-Shirts:	\$15:00
Baseball Caps:	\$ 5:00
Club Cloth Badges:	\$ 6:00

All these are available from me at the club meetings.

Ken Black



## A.A.A. of W.A. Report

There were twenty-six persons present at the Annual General meeting of the above association. Wayne Morris and George Holman were present representing the Surfcasters.

The treasurer gave his report and made comment on the need for greater involvement from all clubs in raising funds to keep the association financial to benefit us all.

John Curtis gave a lengthy and to the point President's report and this will be tabled at our next general meeting for your perusal.

The election of officers resulted as follows:

President:	John Curtis
Senior Vice President:	George Holman
Junior Vice President:	Kevin Hughes
Treasurer:	Paul Frzop
Competition Officer:	Terry Bell
Secretary:	Max Law
Recorder:	Georgina Grimmet
Publicity Officer:	John Curtis
Assistant Secretary:	Margaret Clegg
Independent Delegate:	Max Law
Independent Delegate:	John Curtis
Trophy Officer:	Dot Griffith
Property Officer:	John O'Brien
Auditor:	Mick Mendelawitz

The general meeting was resumed.

The Sportsperson of the Year awards will be awarded at the November delegates meeting and will be announced soon.

A good deal of discussion was had on the proposed constitutional amendments for Recfishwest which will be voted on in their entirety without debate at their special general meeting. There are four pages of amendments and you have one vote for or against and if you disagree with any point you would naturally have to vote against them. The association decided to vote against the amendments because of the alteration in their primary objects and the proposed inclusion of the Department of Environment in the constitution. This latter point was a worry as you shouldn't incorporate another government body in your constitution but you could do this by a special agreement.

Subscription to the association from clubs is now due.

Clubs were reminded to reserve the fourth weekend in the month for Association competitions and events.

The State Beach Championships are to be held at Esperance over Easter (21<sup>st</sup>-24<sup>th</sup> April) 2000 and clubs are asked to get involved. Start organising now!

The State Casting Championships are to be held on Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> October at Yokine Reserve. Start making team arrangements now. A meeting of anyone interested in casting will be held at George Holman's home, 89 Clontarf Street Sorrento, on **Monday 4<sup>th</sup> October at 8:00pm** to make final arrangements and look into any matters pertaining to casting. Also anyone remotely interested in going to Kangaroo Island National Championships in March 2001, please let us know.

The State Estuary Championships will be held in the Swan River on 27<sup>th</sup>-28<sup>th</sup> November. Further details will be made available later and there will be a group meeting to fine tune this event at which all interested may attend. Kevin Hughes has asked clubs to participate and if they can let him know numbers as soon as practical at would help in the organisation of this event.

George Holman

## President's Notes

Once again we commence a new management year taking us into the new millennium – 2000. The personnel you selected at our Annual General Meeting to fill the positions on committee showed a lot of enthusiasm at their first committee gathering and some new ideas and approaches were put forward. There is a good balance of old and new and a good deal of new blood which is good to see. I look forward to working with them.

Peter Stoeckel came along to the committee meeting as he was unable to attend the AGM, and put his hand up to do the "Reel Talk" officers job assisted by his wife Jennie. Thank you both for coming forward and I know Bob Henderson appreciates your offer, as this is one less hat he has to wear. Peter would like input from members...trips, comments, ideas of a positive nature. Please help him where possible.

Great to see Ken Black take on Social Organiser and he has already formed a social committee and this includes two other new committee persons in Damian D'Mello and Andrew Aubrey. Positive steps and plans are already being looked at by this group. The ten pin bowling night has been abandoned due to not enough feed back and a night cast and barbecue are to be held after the December field day weigh in. This is to be held at the Holman's residence, 89 Clontarf Street, Sorrento. Any other thoughts or suggestions by members on social please address to Ken. He is all ears! Your support and help at general meetings would be a positive way to show your appreciation of his efforts.

Darren Batchelor and Ian Cook will continue the black board talks on the next venues so you may have input also and better attendances would be a positive step in encouraging their efforts – particularly with a better commitment to local fishing if you are unable to go away. There is no excuse not to fish for a couple of hours locally. They have a number of other ideas for future venues as well.

Bob Henderson and Don Batchelor (welcome Don) would like to see a lot more new (and old) faces down at casting and it is only a couple of months away to the State Casting Championships (October 31<sup>st</sup>) and we need team members – ladies, juniors, mini-juniors, vets and open!

Both FDO and DCO will be asking for your opinions at general meetings so when you are asked please oblige in a positive manner. Involvement is the aim and the benefits are numerous!

State Estuary is to be held in the Swan River in November so make yourself available and let Darren and Ian know if you are.

State Beach Championships are to be held over Easter next year down at Esperance and now is the time to book accommodation and let the boys know that you are interested in participating. Planning should start now and working together will make it work!

At the time of writing this report the working group – Wayne Morris, his father, Trevor Stam, Bob Henderson, Roy Killick and Andy Thorgerson – are at Kalbarri doing the painting, odd jobs, laying slabs and putting the new wardrobe and fridge in position at our Kalbarri house. The roof is on and they will tidy up the yard as well. A special thanks to them but it would have been nice to see a few more helpers. Thanks to Allan Jones for his donation towards patrol expenses. All we need now is full bookings. Wayne will give us a report next meeting.

Ross Kember is to be our second delegate to the Anglers Association and Wayne will be our proxy. Thankyou both as the State scene is becoming very heavy with all the management plans and this time next year we will all know where we stand.

### **Hope you have all paid your club fees by now!**

Good to see Daryl Halton at our AGM as we haven't seen him for a while. He mentioned his wife presented him with a son a month ago. Congratulations to you both. Ian Taggart reached the big five-o (50) on the 26<sup>th</sup> and just before Rottnest field day Tony D'Alonso made 66. He had a drink or two with the boys to celebrate. Darren Batchelor achieved 30 years on the 21<sup>st</sup> August and Darren's father, Don, said he is starting to count backwards.

To all the troupes congratulations from the Surfcasters.

Would Karen Mader and Rhys Jones make sure they are present at our next general meeting to receive their membership badges please.

Don't forget this is the last meeting (September) at the Inglewood Pool venue, as renovations are about to commence and the October meeting will be at the Bedford District Youth Club Hall, 1 Catherine Street, Bedford. Let's all get on a positive and active track from now on with friendship, fishing, casting and social being our priorities.

George Holman

## ROTTU

Rottfest this year was another great success with good bags of fish being caught around the West End of the island. The 7:30am ferry proved to be a good idea because this allowed for a much earlier start fishing time of around 11:00am. Ian Taggart fished his usual spot and found the tailor on the boil straight away and enjoyed himself catching and releasing many good size tailor. While this was happening a group of five of us walked around the very end of the island and worked around towards cathedrals. We picked up a few tailor there but not like the last few years, Damien D'Mello got a large treble in his hand and had to have it remove out on the reef, this was done without to much pain but he was paying for it later on that afternoon. We fished this area for a while but with little result so we moved back around to radar reef and found the rest of the group had been having some success with the yellow tail kings so we quickly joined them. All to soon it was time to stop fishing and head back up the cliff to wait for the bus and on reaching the top we found to our surprise the bus was already there which is most unusual.

Back at camp we enjoyed the usual entertainment of tails of the old days and 'I remember when' stories, mainly provided by Tony and George, these nights at rotto after fishing are always very enjoyable and Roy made good use of his oxenometer ( this is used to measure the amount of bull in the air ). With a 6:00am pick up to go fishing again most of the troops hit the sack fairly early after a few drinks. The worst part of the whole trip is in the morning because you know you have to get up and put on a wet and cold wetsuit. On arrival at the west end we found the swell had picked up over night and the tide was also up so this made fishing uncomfortable and difficult the fish from the day before had also disappeared so it was a lot of hard work for little reward. Roy also ended up with a hook in his hand for his trouble. All to soon it was time to head back to camp for the weigh in. It was good to see the high quality of fish being weighed in with large tailor up to 2.5kg and yellow tail kings to 3.0kg. After the weigh in we had a quick tidy up and then off to the bakery for a pie or cake before the ferry.

Well that's just a brief run down on Rotto, this was the last Rottfest trip for this year but I hope many of you will try to make it next time.

## OPEN FIELD DAY

The next field day for the year is an open boundaries event and will be held on the weekend of 11/12 September. This means you can fish in any tidal waters in the state. To sign on for this field day you must attend the next general meeting and fill out a safety sign on form with all the required information. This is for your safety because if you don't fill it out and break down somewhere we will not know where to start looking for you. You must fill out a form even if you are fishing local. Please try to be specific with the areas you intend to go to, don't just put on your form Margaret River or Geraldton because this does not help you. Start fishing is at 12:00 noon Saturday and lines up at 12:00 noon Sunday. The weigh in is at George Holmans house at 4:00pm Sunday. Please try to attend this field day even if you only fish local or at least attend the weigh in.

## SBEND FIELD DAY

The October field day will be held on the long weekend of 25/26/27 September and the club will be based at the SBEND Caravan Park. The sign on will be at 1:00pm Saturday with a lines down at 2:00pm. The weigh in will be at 9:00am Monday at SBEND c/v/park. The boundaries will be from the Seven-Mile Beach ( just north of Dongara ) to Point Moore in Geraldton. There will probably be a b/b/q at SBEND on Sunday lunchtime but there will be more on this at the next general meeting. This should be a good field day and should produce some nice fish, so please try to attend. At this time all on site vans are gone but plenty of campsites are available.

TIGHT LINES  
DASA  
F.D.O.



<b>VENUE :</b>	<b>ROTTA</b>				
<b>ATTENDANCE :</b>	<b>VENUE</b>	SENIORS	10	JUNIORS	0
	<b>LOCAL:</b>	SENIORS	0	JUNIORS	0
	<b>TOTAL:</b>		10		

<u>MEN</u>		<u>NO FISH</u>	<u>NO SPEC</u>	<u>WEIGHT</u>	<u>POINTS</u>
D'ALONZO	TONY	30	9	19.60	338.0
BATCHELOR	DARREN	21	9	16.35	303.5
HOLMAN	GEORGE	17	7	13.30	253.0
KOLMAN	MORRIS	20	6	9.10	201.0
TAGGART	IAN	11	2	11.20	182.0
FARNAY	MARK	11	4	8.80	178.0
KILICK	ROY	13	5	4.85	146.5
GRIFFITHS	ANDY	5	3	5.75	137.5
D'MELLO	DAMIEN	4	4	4.70	137.0
BLACK	KEN	10	3	1.95	99.5

	<u>FISH</u>	<u>KG</u>	<u>LAST YEAR</u>	<u>FISH</u>	<u>KG</u>
<b>TOTALS</b>	142	95.60		150	90.80
<b>NO PEOPLE</b>	10		<b>NO PEOPLE</b>	14	
<b>AVE/MEM</b>	14.20	9.56	<b>AVE/MEM</b>	10.71	6.49

#### FIELD DAY PRIZES

<b>HEAVIEST SCALE FISH</b>	MORRIS KOLMAN	Y.T.KING	3.0KG
<b>HEAVIEST BAG SCALE FISH</b>	TONY D'ALONZO	MIXED	19.6KG
<b>MYSTERY PRIZE</b>	NIL		
<b>JUNIORS PRIZE</b>	NIL		

#### SPORTSMAN OF THE YEAR POINTS

<b>HEAVIEST SCALE FISH</b>	MORRIS KOLMAN	Y.T.KING	3.0KG
<b>HEAVIEST BAG SCALE FISH</b>	TONY D'ALONZO	MIXED	19.6KG

#### FISH CAUGHT ON FIELD DAY

<u>SPECIES</u>	<u>NO</u>	<u>WEIGHT</u>	<u>SPECIES</u>	<u>NO</u>	<u>WEIGHT</u>
TAILOR	40	42.29	SNOOK	2	2.95
Y.T.KINGS	18	28.65	SWEEP	5	2.25
TARWHINE	13	4.95	SKIPJACK	4	2.15
HERRING	31	4.30	B/A SNAPPER	4	1.60
BLACKFISH	11	3.30	LJACKETS	3	0.75
WRASSE	10	2.75	S/S PIKE	1	0.35

#### YEAR TO DATE

<u>MEN</u>		
D'Alonzo	Tony	822.0
Batchelor	Darren	801.5
Kolman	Morris	373.0
Holman	George	362.0
Farnay	Mark	277.0
D'Mello	Damian	272.5
Kilick	Roy	268.0
Taggart	Ian	263.0
Black	Ken	235.5
Griffiths	Andy	227.5

<u>LADIES</u>		
KAREN MADER		100.0
LARA WOODFORD		60.00

<u>JUNIORS</u>		
MATHEW SNEEDON		102.50
JASON REEVES		20.00

<u>MINI JUNIORS</u>		
EMILY WOODFORD		60.00
MOLLY WOODFORD		60.00
DANIEL STOECKEL		32.50
ANDREW STOECKEL		21.00

#### FIELD DAY COMPETITION 1999/00

HEAVIEST SCALE FISH ( 1ST SIX MONTHS )	MORRIS KOLMAN	Y.T.KING 3.0KG
HEAVIEST SCALE FISH ( 2ND SIX MONTHS )		
MOST MERITORIOUS FISH		
HEAVIEST SHARK ( 4.5 Kg MIN )		
HEAVIEST MULLOWAY ( 2.0 Kg MIN )		
HEAVIEST TAILOR ( 1.0 Kg MIN )	DARREN BATCHELOR	2.5KG
HEAVIEST SALMON ( 3.0 Kg MIN )		
HEAVIEST TREVALLY ( 0.5 Kg MIN )	TONY D'ALONZO	0.95KG
HEAVIEST S/FISH OTHER THAN ABOVE	KEN BLACK	Y.T.KING 2.6KG
HEAVIEST BAG OF SCALE FISH	DARREN BATCHELOR	11.05KG
HEAVIEST BAG OF TAILOR	IAN TAGGART	9.8KG
HEAVIEST BAG OF MULLOWAY		
HEAVIEST FISH ON S.H. ROD (4Kg b/s max )	DARREN BATCHELOR	SKIPPY 0.75KG
HEAVIEST MACKERAL ( 3KG MIN )		

## SPECIAL NOTICES

### STATE DRYCASTING

State Drycasting will be held at the Yokine reserve on Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> October 1999.  
A good turn out is once again expected from the Surfcasters.

### NIGHT CAST

A night cast is planned for the 12<sup>th</sup> December after the Field Day. A BYO meat and salad barbecue will be held at George Holman's place after the weigh in. This will be followed by a great night of fun with the night cast. For details of what you will need, contact Bob Henderson. And don't forget the Aeroguard!!

### DRYCASTING DATE CHANGES

The September 5<sup>th</sup> drycasting will be held on the previous weekend of the 29<sup>th</sup> August.

January drycasting will be held on the following weekend of the 9<sup>th</sup> as most will not be fit for the 2<sup>nd</sup> January!

### GENERAL MEETING



Don't forget the change of location for the general meetings. As from October 13<sup>th</sup>, the meeting will be held at the **Bedford District Youth Club Hall**, 1 Catherine Street, Bedford (behind the Bowling Club, corner Catherine Street and Grand Promenade). The September meeting will still be held at the Inglewood Aquatic Centre.

### BOWLING NIGHT

The ten pin bowling night at Rosemount Bowling Club has been **cancelled due to lack of interest.**

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### Thankyou to Trophy Donors Club Members

Pilton Family  
Black Family  
Holman Family  
Kember Family  
Morris Family  
D'Alonzo Family  
Stoeckel Family  
Brayne Family  
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Karl & Marie Wytenburg  
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## **Swan River Action Plan**

I forwarded a report in the Reel Talk a few months ago about the Swan-Canning clean-up program by the Swan River Trust and I am pleased to inform you that action has started promptly.

The algae bloom problems have been attacked with oxygenation in the heavily affected areas using a mobile unit. With the start of winter rains this has flushed some of the affected areas quite clearly.

Community awareness has jumped ahead with education material distributed to all schools to get the younger generation's involvement. The distribution of educational pamphlets to all properties alongside our rivers and its subsidiary tributaries about the streamlined fencing, foreshore revegetation, noxious weed removal, erosion control and landscaping and the closure to stock will keep one and all informed.

In the past I have had very little respect for any Government approved body that sprouts on that they are going to do this and that. I have changed my opinion dramatically towards the Swan River Trust. We have a group of people that truly love our river and are hounding the Water Resources Minister strongly to ensure we save our precious waterways.

A quick phone call to the Swan River Trust on 9278 0400 and register your name to obtain their "Riverview Newsheet" will keep you informed.

Hendo

## **Animal Welfare Position Statement**

The agriculture fisheries and forestry mob have issued a media release outlining their guidelines on humane fishing practices for Australia's recreational fishers.

It will be "policed" by State and Federal "animal welfare officers" to ensure each individuals responsibility to treat all vertebrate animals humanely. As the bait and tackle industry turn over tops \$170 million and the recreational boat industry accounts for another \$500million, I'm sure the Government bodies will return every penny to you recreational fishers to raise awareness.

Recommendations are for barbless hooks that break down quickly, discourage the use of excessively light monofilament fishing lines and braided lines, limited fish handling, restriction on the use of gaffs, use of gloves when handling fish, humane killing of fish quickly, no tethering of fish, discourage live bait fishing and controlled fishing competitions.

Would you believe it has taken them 3 years to prepare these recommendations and to produce a public statement?

Jeez, those bureaucrats could have come to one of our club meetings and discussed it with you and would have been able to put out a press release within "a week". Anyway, what's a few million dollars to spend on common sense?

Ahh...wonderful bureaucracy.

Hendo

**Accepted as new members: Karen Mader  
Rhys Jones**

## **August Drycasting Report**

On behalf of all club members I'd like to congratulate Roy Killick on resetting the long-standing Single Handed record for the Veterans. What with his autism, aneurism, deafness, baldness, dicky ticker, senility and breathlessness, it's amazing that he can go the distance! Still, Roy's a "trier" that's now the "top dog". So well done 'Roy Boy'.

Fellow casters were pleased to see Don Batchelor and Andy Thorgerson turn up at casting. Don's still battling shoulder problems, but stepped up to assist Jennie with the scoring for the Vets and Juniors. Andy's just taking it easy for a while. I noticed that Jim Strong had a huge grin on his face after their Double Handed event. Our Golden Oldies still can perform and obtain quality scores regularly. Well done Jim.

George Holman was invited to comment on 6WF (the previous Saturday morning) about our club's casting activities and gave a good account in the limited time allowed. This led to a few (about a dozen) people turning up to obtain some guidance and assistance to improve their casting. Once again George led the way and those people left with vastly improved techniques and casting distances.

I'll take this time to say a sincere thankyou to my fellow club members who have welcomed and assisted young Karl Wytenburg back to our casting days. It fills me with pride when I have so many great 'clubmen' alongside me.

Well, club elections are on next week and I'll be standing for DCO again because I enjoy drycasting with you lot. In the meantime, Peter Stoeckel and I would like to say thankyou to all that have stepped forward and given their assistance over the past year.

Keep it straight and long,  
Hendo.

## **A Taste of Paradise**

We set off from Perth on a cold and very wet Monday morning, heading north to Broome. We travelled through wet and cloudy conditions practically all the way to our first night's stop at Meekatharra. By next morning the weather had improved and we were leaving the winter behind us. Second night saw us at Port Hedland and after an early start from there we arrived in Broome early on Wednesday afternoon. Bob pulled up at Roebuck Caravan Park and we were delighted at all we saw. A spacious caravan and annex nestled under huge trees and climbing Bougainvillea with a tropical garden to front and side - two large coconut trees, paw-paw trees in fruit (unfortunately not ready to pick!), palms galore, forest ferns, frangipani, hibiscus and various creepers and ground covers. The sea, only about 100metres away, was the most beautiful turquoise colour and the beach proved so interesting with a cluster of mangrove trees to one side and rocks further along, contrasting with outcrops of delicately coloured sandstone. The bird life was abundant and we were woken each morning by a wonderful "dawn chorus" heralding the new day. Wood pigeons wandered around the open patio picking up any crumbs we may have dropped, honey-eaters splashed in the water dish, a pheasant washed amongst the ferns while the reticulation was on, all quite oblivious to our presence. With a long ladder and the help of the gaff Bob 'picked' over 20 coconuts, most of which were put in front of the carport for any free takers and needless to say they soon went. Drinking coconut milk and munching on coconut in a magical setting was truly a taste of paradise.

Fishing took second place to relaxation. With the out going tide, Bob and Roy would wander through the mangrove area, then cast home made lures to attract a feed. They were quite successful in that they produced several feeds of fresh queen fish, trevally and threadfin salmon. One outing to the 1.8km jetty was quite eventful. Roy's little rod suddenly bent double and the action attracted several bystanders. Eventually the fish was brought up, and behold, it was a Spanish mackerel. But alas, it had been foul hooked at just the place where the tail fin starts. Comments overheard were - "I've never seen a fish caught like that before!" and "He must be a bum fisherman!" With that, any thought of gaining his game fish badge evaporated.

Thanks, Bob, for a most unforgettable holiday.

Nita and Roy



**DRY CASTING RESULTS**

1/08/99

SENIORS	112 gram			art. bait			D/H Acc.	S/H Acc.	DAY TOTAL
	1	2	Total	1	2	Total			
B. Henderson	117	111	23	93	105	20	120	17	180
G. Holman	133	135	27	98	104	20	132	18	197
A. Aubrey	109	125	23	0	78	8	50	9	90
G. Gildersleeve	124	0	12	88	96	18	145	22	197
D. Batchelor	126	126	25	108	108	22	92	19	158
E. Parker	117	123	24	99	88	19	54	15	112
K. Black							29	13	42
P. Stoeckel	99	99	20	84	0	8	74	11	113
<b>VETERANS</b>									
J. Strong	70	91	16	58	58	12	141	6	175
D. Redwood	79	83	16	0	89	7	44	14	81
T. Stam	91	100	19	0	78	8	103	14	144
R. Killick	92	99	19	87	85	17	111	29	176
T. D'Alonzo	114	100	21	93	85	18	139	13	191
A. Thorgerson	0	0	0	69	0	7	85	5	77
A. Jones	0	106	11	91	94	19	68	12	110
<b>JUNIORS</b>									
M. Sneddon	91	94	19	80	79	16	67	12	114
<b>MINI JUNIORS</b>									
D. Stoeckel	29	34	6	30	12	4	0	5	15
A. Stoeckel	43	45	9	31	37	7	25	0	41
K. Wytenburg	23	63	9	35	46	8	35	12	64
R. Jones	57	67	12	0	36	4	23	7	46

112 gram Winner  
 Artificial Bait Winner  
 D/H Acc. Winner  
 S/H Acc. Winner  
 Winner of the Day  
 Junior Winner  
 Mini Junior Winner

G. Holman  
 Darren Batchelor  
 G. Gildersleeve  
 R. Killick  
 G. Holman/G. Gildersleeve  
 M. Sneddon  
 K. Wytenburg

**NEXT DRYCASTING DATE : 29TH AUGUST. 8:30am Start**  
**112gram; 56gram; D/H Acc.; S/H Acc.**

## Rotto's Tall Tales

After leaving Fremantle at 7:30am, we were able to start fishing at the West End of Rotto by 11:00am. The fine weekend forecast, however, wasn't to be. The Easterly winds and some rains, with low tides in the late afternoon created a fairly comfortable fishing scene.

I reeled in my small fish, first up this time with the idea of cleaning them for burlie and then going to the bigger gear. All went well until something overpowered the drag on the small alvey, so palm the reel they wrote, but they didn't say it cooks your hand!

With the big alvey and rod I then worked my way up to Ian "Tailor" Taggert's spot. Ian walked up to let me know of his catch of tailor, his best in ten years, with a total of around forty. (He returned a lot). Darren joined us soon after, but the tailor were gone for the day.

I then returned to the main party and as I turned the corner, the most glorious sight greeted me. In the orange sunset, everybody was totally engrossed in catching yellowtail kingfish.

George Holman joined me on the rocky ledge to re-rig, still cursing the 5kg yellowtail he caught, but then dropped while trying to cut it. That evening George fished beside me and gave me a valuable lesson in bait casting over a reef at low tide. He was kind enough to give me the yellowtail he'd landed at that time.

On Sunday, George and I went to another beach, which was a mixture of reef and sand. George tried his new per glass rod with the overhead reel to produce skippy, bream and herring. I was further out on a reef with waist high waves rolling in until it looked unsafe, to produce a herring. (Less feel with the heavier gear) From there, to the west, I found a school of bluff bream feeding in shallow water. A rare but amazing sight.

Now the tide was just right for the big one, the scene was set, enough room for the first run, enough water to drag a fish onto the beach. After a while the target fish (mullo-way) cruised through from my right side and about three metres out from the reef, **TIMING**. My hooks were in my hand for a bait change and I knew any sudden movement would scare the fish. That's one to remember. George explained a lot about the places to fish as we walked to and from the high cliffs to bait cast over the reef. No fish were caught in that short session.

The scenery, although rugged and varied in that area, was still very beautiful. As we sat and waited for the bus, sharing food and drink, we reflected on what could have been – and we both hope a certain couple of fish are still there next time!

Ken Black



## **CHANGE OF VENUE FOR CLUB MEETINGS**

**THE CLUB MEETINGS HELD ON THE 2<sup>ND</sup> WEDNESDAY OF EVERY MONTH WILL  
BE MOVED TO THE "BEDFORD DISTRICT YOUTH CLUB HALL"**

**AT 1 CATHERINE STREET BEDFORD.**

**MEETINGS AT THIS HALL WILL COMMENCE ON OCTOBER 13<sup>TH</sup>, 1999.**

## Steep Point

We had all the gear packed for Steep Point on Thursday. Peter stayed Friday night at Murray Shaws' house; Dave Anticich stayed at Phil's. Ian Mascarambas picked up Phil and Dave and collected me on the way to Murray's place. It was 4:20 am and Murray and Peter were waiting for us. Dave changed vehicles to drive up with Pete and Murray. We departed Perth on a cold, wintry morning on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> August for our destination - Steep Point. We arrived on the point at about 5:15pm and set up camp at the faultline.

The following day we all sent our balloons out and Murray hooked up on a small mackerel, but the line snapped about 15metres off the cliff face. We were all hoping for some more mackerel action but we failed to get any more bites. We headed back to camp to have dinner and a few drinks.

Monday dawned and Murray hooked up a good size snailfish, and after a few spectacular jumps, snapped him off. The wind blew mainly from the east in the morning, but did a 180-degree turn by the afternoon. Nothing more happened throughout the day and by this stage we were getting worried that we might not catch a fish.

On Tuesday, we sent our balloons out, but at about midday we pulled them in and started catching the small reef fish at the base of the cliffs. We were all having fun catching these little reef fish and we managed to score a couple of haldchin and a coral trout, but unfortunately all were undersized. During the course of the day, Peter hooked up on a shark, about 6-foot long, on light spinning gear and nearly spooled him before snapping his line. In the afternoon Phil, Ian and I went to have a look at a western ledge called Freight Trains and the Snapper Ledges.

On Wednesday we ballooned at Freight Trains but nothing was around, so we decided to head back to camp. That afternoon Pete and I went for a walk along the reefs and beaches on the east side of the faultline to fish for tailor, etc with mulies and poppers. On the way we came across a couple of little reef sharks and I managed to hook up on one. After about 15 minutes I had him on the beach and after a couple of photos, let him go. Although he was only about 3-4 foot long, I was pretty happy. We kept trying along rocky reef shorelines. We must have walked 3-4km before we turned back. We saw what was left of a Landcruiser ute. It would have been about a 1985 model - not much of it left now! We tried for some more sharks just before we got back to camp, but failed to entice any. In the late afternoon back at the faultline, we came across a large school of tailor between 3.5kg and 5.5kg. We all got a few of these, but after a few photos let them go. Phil got the biggest one of these that weighed in at about 5.5kg. Although the fishing was slow, we were all having a good time. That night we did a bit of bottom bouncing and Dave managed to catch a nice size dhufie and a sweetlip.

On Thursday Phil managed an 11kg mackerel at the faultline. When the wind changed Phil and I went to a platform, north of Freight Trains, and I had a hook up on a mackerel but failed to land him. During the day we landed many north-west blowies (Italian tuna!). We had strong easterly winds most of the day - not good for the fishing.

On Friday, Murray managed to get his balloon out and nailed a 12kg mackerel. The wind changed so Phil, Dave and I went to the same platform as the day before. When Dave was sending out his balloon, a large mackerel jumped clean out of the water and nailed his gardie. After about 20 minutes he had the mackerel at the base of the cliff, but it somehow managed to snag itself under a ledge. Dave waited patiently and after a while a wave washed the mackerel up on the ledge, so Phil could gaff it. Back at camp we weighed it in at 19.5kg. The wind had gotten worse, so we decided to leave a day early. We started packing the camp up at 10:00am. Ian cut his finger while wildly filleting the mackerel. Phil was dismantling the shower but it tried to dismantle him on the head! After we stopped the blood from running down Phil's face, Dave was having a good laugh at him, but soon stopped short when he got wacked in the face by a tent rope spring. We were all heading for home by about midday - with a ton or two of sand all through our gear. If you have ever travelled with Dave on a trip, you will know that he will keep the entertainment up. With a CB in Dave's hand there is never a dull moment!! We arrived back in Perth at about midnight Friday.

Although we didn't catch too many fish, we all had a great time and that's what counts, doesn't it.

Matt Sneddon & Peter Stoeckel

**Editors note:** Dave Anticich has kindly agreed to let us use his E-mail number for any incoming reports from club members. If you do send something in, please mark it **ATT. Peter or Jennie**. The number can be found on the committee page at the front of the Reel Talk. Thanks Dave!

**OPEN COMPETITION ENTRIES**  
**1999**

**AUGUST**

1	Most Meritorious Fish					
2	Heaviest Shark	4.5 kg min	Lemon Shark	48.0kg	Dirk Hartog Island	Darren Batchelor
3	Heaviest Mulloway	3.5 kg min		3.9kg	Dirk Hartog Island	Ian Cook
4	Heaviest Salmon	3.0 kg min				
5	Heaviest Dhufish					
6	Heaviest Tailor			4.8kg	Dirk Hartog Island	George Holman
7	Heaviest Samson		Sampson Fish	20.0kg	Kalbarri	Fred Neal
8	Heaviest fish, S/H/rod	4.0 kg line class.				
9	Heaviest Pink Snapper					
10	Heaviest Tarwhine					
11	Heaviest Mackerel		Shark Mackerel	6kg	Dirk Hartog Island	George Holman
12	Heaviest Trevally (S)	1.0 kg min				
13	Heaviest Trevally (N)	1.0 kg min	Gold Spot Trevally	7.5kg	Dirk Hartog Island	Glen Stoeckel
14	Heaviest Snook/Pike					
15	Heaviest Scale Fish	2.0 kg min				
	(other than sections 2 thru 14)		Cod	8.8kg	Dirk Hartog Island	George Holman

We have had a lean time with entries into the open comp this month. The last trip to Dirk Hartog Island was a disappointment on the fishing scene as well as was our welcome on the island. There will be a couple of entries submitted as club records. The recorder may have missed out on a possible State and National record for a 2.4kg Striped Sea Perch because the fish was not weighed on certified scales.

I am hoping there will be a couple of entries from Dave Anticich from the Steep Point trip

There have been a number of entries submitted for the Species badge and a group of members are close to achieving their badge. Please keep the entries coming in. Remember to check on the requirements for entries on the back of the entry forms and in the bylaws.

Good Fishing  
Cookie Monster

**LURE FISHING COMPETITION**

**August**

*Chris Scobles has again been willing to support this competition and will be providing the prizes*

Heaviest Tailor	4.8kg		Dirk Hartog Island	George Holman
Heaviest Salmon				
Heaviest Scale Fish	6kg	Shark Mackerel	Dirk Hartog Island	George Holman

Next month an updated list of Club records and corresponding list of State and National records will be published in this location. For any interested people I have a complete list of State and National records.

**ROTTNEST ISLAND trip for next May2000**

Due to the success of the last two Rotto field days I will be trying to book in advance to keep the cost down. Currently we have been getting a really good deal. A 50 % saving on the transport and a little off the camping. We may be required to pay a deposit by December and if so I will need a small advance to cover this. Give this some thought and I will get peoples views at the next general meeting.