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Life Members of the Club

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

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Minutes of General Meeting, 12 December 2007

Venue:

Coolbinia West Perth Amateur Football and Sporting Club Rooms

Time:

2010 hrs

President Presiding:

Malcolm Harris

Present:

27 Members

Apologies:

T Stam, M Wee, D Maxted, A Pekaar

Visitors:

None

New Members:

Hadley & Tracy Markus and Ron Hicks were welcomed and introduced into the Club by **Mal Harris**. All were given the Constitution and Competition Rules Booklet, Club Badges and various fisheries information. Apart from the hard copies, there is a lot of information available from the Members.

Previous Minutes:

As published in the November 2007 Reel Talk.

Moved: Jim Strong **Seconded:** Peter Stoeckel

Previous Committee Meeting:

Held on 21 November 2007. Andrew Aubrey requests all Items to be removed from his work premises by the end of December 2007.

New Members accepted into the Club: Greg Keet, Ron Hicks and Kevin Jackson.

Peter Osborne passes his congratulations to the Surfcasters' success at the AAA event in October 2007 by email.

Get Well Card sent to **Mrs Lorna Maxted** on behalf of the Club.

No Team available for the AAA Estuary fishing competition, unfortunately.

Report on Cervantes Field Day

Instruction Periods:

January 2008, Bluff Creek by Peet Wessels

February 2008, Steep Point by Ian Cook

Field Days away suggestions to be passed onto Ian Cook ASAP

Correspondence In:

Westpac Bank Statement

Ray White Account

Gantheaume Cleaning Services

Joanne Vassallo, information about the Club

Mathew Hutchins, information about the Club

John Allen, information about the Club

Paul Abell, information about the Club

Tracy Reay, information about the Club

Brian & Wanda Hopley, information about the Club

Correspondence Out:

Mrs Lorna Maxted Get Well Card – Glengarry Hospital

Ron Hicks, acceptance of Membership

Greg Keet, acceptance of Membership

Kevin Jackson, acceptance of Membership

ECU, Survey on Immigrants

Joanne Vassallo info about the Club (email)

Brian & Wanda Hopley info about the Club (email)

Andrew Aubrey, items to be removed from Workshop (Telephone)

Syd Bignell, Storage at Yokine Reserve (Telephone)

Marilyn Motu, Storage at Yokine Reserve (Telephone)

Karen Balm, Storage at Yokine Reserve (Telephone)

Acting Treasurer's Report:

John Crompton reported.

Bank Balance: \$11,700.95 as at 30/11/07

Monies Received:

- Dry Casting December 2007	\$148.00
- Sausage Sizzle	\$47.00
- R Hicks Membership Fees pro-rata	\$55.42
- Ian Taggart Rottnest	\$100.00
- Raffle Money, Fishing Jacket	\$79.40

Accounts to be Paid:

- Ray White Account	\$680.31
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Moved: Jim Strong **Seconded:** Morris Kolman

Property Officer:

We have some bookings over Christmas and another Family booking referred by Ian Taggart Received a costing for the two awnings to be installed by a Geraldton contractor including fuel costs to a total of \$1199.00, metal fitted awnings. More quotes are to be obtained. Explanation given to the New Members on the Kalbarri House rental property by **Vix**.

Secretary's Report:

Nothing to report

Field Day Officer:

Mark Hansen: Last Field Day was at Cervantes 8 species of fish caught and one shark by Peter Osborne. **Mal Harris** won the Best Scale Fish. **Peter Osborne** won the Best Bag of Fish. Next Field day is Yanchep to Seabird, sign on at Yanchep Car Park. **Morris Kolman** gave a run down to the secret location near Yanchep similar to the beaches of Cervantes and/or Bluff Creek. All vehicles to have flags displayed, the area is very hilly.

SCAAC Website:

Not Available.

Dry Casting Officer:

2 December was the last Dry Casting Day for the year 2007, weather was fine wind was S/SW. **Peter** also thanked **Peter Stoeckel** for the barbecue. **Bob Henderson** gave a few certificates to **Andrew Pekaar, Peter Pekaar, Allan Jones** and **Gary Gildersleeves** for several dry casting events which they had won.

AAA Report:

Not a lot to report, there are still a few problems with the Dry Casting results. Greetings on behalf of the AAA Association conveyed to all Members.

Recorder:

Nothing to report – **Ian Cook** wishes everybody a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Social Organiser:

Peter Stoeckel thanked **George** and **Kaye** for their generous hospitality of having the Night Dry Casting once again held at their House.

Peter also thanked **Eric Parker** for the donations of the Lures to the Winners.

Trophy Night to be held either June or July due to renovations at the MAAC's Club.

Peter sends the Season's Greetings to all Members.

Reel Talk Editor:

Not a great deal to report, except we need to update the Field Days for 2008.

Recfishwest Report:

All Recfishwest members will be placed in a Raffle Draw.

AAA giving out 10 free memberships to Recfishwest.

General information given out on Recfishwest and most info is available on their Website.

Notices of Motion:

Received from Bob Henderson.

General Business:

Bob Henderson suggests that the Club pays the fees for all the Committee Members to the Annual Trophy Night as gratitude for their continuing support and their personal expenditure in the running of the Club. **George** asks for a total expenditure amount. **Peter Stoeckel** tallies the amount to approximately \$585.00. **Terry** asks if the Club can afford to pay for Bob Henderson's suggestion and that it is put to the members for a decision at the next meeting.

Jim Strong passes his greetings to all the Club Members, and thanks all the new Committee Members for their great help in holding the Club together.

Marcia would like all Dry Casting Members to pick up any rubbish that is laying on the ground, especially the cans that litter the area.

Bob Henderson invites all Members to his house in February for a barbeque, date to be advised.

Mal Head, has made a quite a few berley cages for sale to the Club @ 40c each. All proceeds to go to the Club's coffers. **Mal** also mentions that **Fleets Tackle** has closed down and is selling items at a discount.

Morris Kolman, once again has made his work premises available to store several items removed from Andrew Aubrey's Workshop

Morris will also be taking orders for bucket sinker moulds if anyone is interested contact him.

Greg Walker has finalized a date for Steep Point 28 April to 12 May 2008, keep the date in mind and anyone who wants to come let him know. 12 Members already booked. Four months to go, deposits are being taken. There will be a meeting in January 2008.

Tino gave a summary on Wagoe fishing including a return wave on volume which tossed him over and ripped the reef boot off his foot, ended in hospital .

Vix has requested that the Club uses a common **UHF Channel** which is now set to "**Channel 35**".

Vix also wishes everyone the Best for Christmas and the New Year

Mal Harris has an update on the Chas Riegert situation. A meeting was held with the CEO in the City this morning with Mal and Chas. **Chas** has indicated what he wants most of all is to be able to dry cast and he will be putting in an Application to join the Surfcasting Club. He will be eligible to enter all events but will not receive any Trophies or any remunerations **Terry Fuller** moved a **motion** as follows: That the Application for Membership from Chas Riegert be put before the General Meeting for the Club Members Approval. **Seconded** by George Holman.

All Members Voted in Favour of the Motion.

Instruction Period:

January 2008: Bluff Creek by Peet Wessels

February 2008: Steep Point by Ian Cook

Raffle:

Won by **Alan Jones** – Fishing Jacket to be delivered.

Mal Harris and the all of the Committee Members would like to extend their Greetings to all of the Club Members and their Respective Families,

“Merry Christmas and a Prosperous New Year “

Meeting Closed:

2120 hrs

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.

<u>29</u>	AAA Event																										
<u>8</u>	Dry Casting						11	General Meeting				<u>14</u>	<u>15</u>	Field Day			18	Committee Meeting									
January 2008							February 2008							March 2008													
Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun	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	5	<u>6</u>					1	2	<u>3</u>	31					<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>							
7	8	<u>9</u>	10	11	<u>12</u>	<u>13</u>	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	<u>3</u>	4	5	6	7	8	<u>9</u>							
14	15	<u>16</u>	17	18	19	20	11	12	<u>13</u>	14	15	<u>16</u>	<u>17</u>	10	11	<u>12</u>	13	14	<u>15</u>	<u>16</u>							
21	22	<u>23</u>	24	25	26	27	18	19	<u>20</u>	21	22	23	24	17	18	<u>19</u>	20	21	22	23							
28	29	30	31				25	26	27	28	29			24	25	26	27	28	29	30							

2008 Field Day Dates, Venues and Boundaries

The following is the list of Field Day dates, venues and boundaries.

Dates	Venue	Boundaries and more details
12-13 January 2008	Local	Penguin Island to north wall of the Two Rocks Marina, Including the Swan River and both the North and South Moles.
16-17 February 2008	Cervantes	Cervantes to Sandy Cape
1-3 March 2008	Bluff Creek	Bluff Creek

2007/2008 Dry Casting Dates. All are at Yokine Reserve, Wordsworth Avenue, Yokine, starting 8:30am.

Sunday, 6 January 2008	Sunday, 3 February 2008
Sunday, 9 March 2008	Sunday, 6 April 2008

2008 General Meeting Dates. All at Coolbinia West Perth Amateur Football and Sporting Club room, Wordsworth Avenue, Yokine, start 8:00pm.

Wednesday, 9 January 2008	Wednesday, 13 February 2008
Wednesday, 12 March 2008	Wednesday, 9 April 2008

NOTICE OF MOTION

Reads:

“Each year, the serving committee members shall be rewarded for their volunteered services by having the attendance fee to the annual SCAC presentation evening paid for by the Club.”

I put forward this suggestion to all Club members to consider the time and effort these members provide to the Club. The Club has been well managed and in a good financial position mainly because of these volunteers. Rarely do we see a request for reimbursement from any of these members even though there is a personal cost to each to carry out their Club committee positions.

Because of their efforts there has been no request for extra fund raising activities required. Maybe we could consider this to supplement the costs. It would probably cost approximately \$500 to \$600. They are worth it.

IT IS TIME WE DISPLAYED OUR APPRECIATION.

Presented by Bob Henderson

COMING FIELD DAY EVENTS FOR JANUARY & FEBRUARY 2008

Field Day, Local

- When : 12-13 January 2008
Sign On : At the General meeting or phone the FDO by 18h00
Friday 11 January 2008.
Lines Down : Saturday 12 noon.
Boundaries : Penguin Island to north wall of the Two Rocks Marina,
Including the Swan River and both the North and South Moles.
Weigh In : Sunday, 13 January 2008 at George 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 to Field Day
Officer by 20h00 Sunday night.

Field Day, Cervantes to Sandy Cape

- When : 16-17 February 2008
Sign On : Saturday 11h00 at the car park close to the Hill River mouth.
Lines Down : Saturday 12 noon.
Boundaries : Southern border of Cervantes town site to Sandy Cape north
of Jurien.
Weigh In : Sunday 12 noon, at car park close to the Hill River mouth.

Field Day, Local

- When : 16-17 February 2008
Sign On : At the General meeting or phone the FDO by 18h00
Friday, 15 February 2008.
Lines Down : Sunday 12 noon.
Boundaries : Penguin Island to north wall of the Two Rocks Marina,
Including the Swan River and both the North and South Moles.
Weigh In : Sunday, 17 February 2008 at George 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 to Field Day Officer by 20h00
Sunday night.

YOUNG BLOOD

Well, the Club has done it once again. From the gathering of members we have produced another Junior Champion that will help us stay a force to be reckoned with in the casting arena.

I'm talking about a decent young bloke we nicknamed "Samson". Always willing to assist others, quiet in nature and a bloody nice young bloke.

Early this year, he represented our State at the National AAA Conventions achieving 3rd overall against experienced opponents. Twice he has won the AAA Junior State Drycasting Championship. Twice he has reset various SCAC casting records, only to again reset them in the Junior division.

He has stood up and volunteered his services to the Club by being the Assistant Dry Casting Officer for the 2007/2008 season. In such a short time he has achieved so much.

Fellow Club members take time to give him a pat on the back.

Hendo

Dry Casting Results, 2 December 2007

Results for the day	56 gram			Artificial Bait			112 gram			Double Handed Accuracy									Single Handed Accuracy					Day	Attendance		Total	
	Cast	Cast	Points	Cast	Cast	Points	Cast	Cast	Points	Target Number									Target distance						Total	DC		GM
	1 (m)	2 (m)		1 (m)	2 (m)		1 (m)	2 (m)		3	3	1	1	4	4	2	2	Points	L	S	L	S	Points					
																									Total	DC		GM
Seniors																												
Peter Pekaar	120	135	26	124	130	25	156	0	16	0	6	17	19	0	24	20	19	105	9	7	3	5	24	196	10	0	206	
Malcolm Harris	0	139	14	117	121	24	161	160	32	8	0	18	21	0	0	14	24	85	9	6	6	5	26	181	10	0	191	
Mark Hansen	120	125	25	86	93	18	141	131	27	0	10	20	24	0	0	11	17	82	1	0	0	3	4	156	10	0	166	
Eric Parker	98	89	19	87	83	17	99	104	20	1	0	12	15	3	1	16	12	60	4	3	0	6	13	129	10	0	139	
Greg Keet	72	60	13	80	68	15	89	94	18	0	20	0	20	0	2	17	9	68	0	1	6	0	7	121	10	0	131	
Greg Walker	81	89	17	74	82	16	108	108	22	0	2	4	2	0	0	24	5	37	3	7	5	0	15	107	10	0	117	
Veterans																												
Gary Gildersleeves	133	130	26	121	124	25	143	144	29	21	24	21	23	23	15	19	23	169	9	5	1	9	24	273	10	0	283	
George Holman	124	131	26	112	36	15	140	146	29	16	22	23	16	21	19	12	14	143	9	4	1	10	24	237	10	0	247	
Allan Jones	116	104	22	109	99	21	125	128	25	24	13	14	22	18	0	8	23	122	0	6	7	8	21	211	10	0	221	
Terry Fuller	59	102	16	89	89	18	104	106	21	23	19	23	18	0	11	24	12	130	2	8	6	8	24	209	10	0	219	
Malcolm Head	111	108	22	102	105	21	121	118	24	16	13	0	22	6	17	12	14	100	10	2	9	8	29	196	10	0	206	
Rick Lawrence	72	72	14	72	0	7	81	77	16	4	1	11	1	0	0	17	10	44					81	10	0	91		
Jim Strong																			7	6	7	6	26	26	10	0	36	
Ladies																												
Vix Alexander	100	108	21	0	83	8	109	0	11	17	17	23	14	20	13	0	22	126	6	3	0	7	16	182	10	0	192	
Marcia Pekaar	0	70	7	0	72	7	92	0	9	13	0	0	20	0	0	4	17	54	0	6	7	0	13	90	10	0	100	
Juniors																												
Andrew Pekaar	116	113	23	123	132	26	141	150	29	11	17	14	24	21	17	22	10	136	10	9	7	7	33	247	10	0	257	
Holly Walker	30	41	7	40	35	8	52	51	10	0	0	19	13	0	0	0	1	33	0	0	0	2	2	60	10	0	70	
Mini Juniors																												
Felicity Keet	16	20	4	24	26	5				0	0	11	0	0	0	15	6	32	1	0	0	1	2	43	10	0	53	
Morgan Keet	18	15	3	24	26	5				0	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	4	1	0	0	1	2	14	10	0	24	

Note These scores do not yet include points for attendance at the December General Meeting.

Dry Casting Winners for 2 December 2007

Event	Seniors Winner		Veterans Winner	
56 gram Score	26	Peter Pekaar	26	Gary Gildersleeves, George Holman
56 gram Distance	139	Malcolm Harris	133	Gary Gildersleeves
Artificial Bait Score	25	Peter Pekaar	25	Gary Gildersleeves
Artificial Bait Distance	130	Peter Pekaar	124	Gary Gildersleeves
112 gram Score	32	Malcolm Harris	29	Gary Gildersleeves, George Holman
112 gram Distance	161	Malcolm Harris	146	George Holman
Double Handed Acc.	105	Peter Pekaar	169	Gary Gildersleeves
Single Handed Acc.	26	Malcolm Harris	29	Malcolm Head
Section Highest Points	206	Peter Pekaar	283	Gary Gildersleeves

Event	Ladies Winner		Juniors Winner	
56 gram Score	21	Vix Alexander	23	Andrew Pekaar
56 gram Distance	108	Vix Alexander	116	Andrew Pekaar
Artificial Bait Score	8	Vix Alexander	26	Andrew Pekaar
Artificial Bait Distance	83	Vix Alexander	132	Andrew Pekaar
112 gram Score	11	Vix Alexander	29	Andrew Pekaar
112 gram Distance	109	Vix Alexander	150	Andrew Pekaar
Double Handed Acc.	126	Vix Alexander	136	Andrew Pekaar
Single Handed Acc.	16	Vix Alexander	33	Andrew Pekaar
Section Highest Points	192	Vix Alexander	257	Andrew Pekaar

Event	Mini Juniors Winner	
56 gram Score	4	Felicity Keet
56 gram Distance	20	Felicity Keet
Artificial Bait Score	5	Felicity Keet, Morgan Keet
Artificial Bait Distance	26	Felicity Keet, Morgan Keet
Double Handed Acc.	32	Felicity Keet
Single Handed Acc.	2	Felicity Keet, Morgan Keet
Section Highest Points	53	Felicity Keet

Event	Overall Winner		Year's best up to December 2007	
56 gram Score	26	Peter Pekaar, Gary Gildersleeves, George Holman	30	Malcolm Harris
56 gram Distance	139	Malcolm Harris	154	Malcolm Harris
Artificial Bait Score	26	Andrew Pekaar	29	Malcolm Harris
Artificial Bait Distance	132	Andrew Pekaar	146	Malcolm Harris
112 gram Score	32	Malcolm Harris	34	Malcolm Harris, George Holman
112 gram Distance	161	Malcolm Harris	174	Malcolm Harris, George Holman
Double Handed Acc.	169	Gary Gildersleeves	169	Gary Gildersleeves
Single Handed Acc.	33	Andrew Pekaar	35	George Holman
Day's High Points	283	Gary Gildersleeves	283	Gary Gildersleeves

Note These scores do not yet include points for attendance at the December General Meeting.

Dry Casting Top Ten for 2007/8

Total scores up to and including December casting and now including General Meeting attendance up to October (E and OE.). Only the best 11 months out of 12 will count at the end of the competition year.

1	George Holman	2023	6	Vix Alexander	1379
2	Allan Jones	1778	7	Andrew Pekaar	1370
3	Malcolm Head	1638	8	Mark Hansen	1299
4	Malcolm Harris	1593	9	Eric Parker	1233
5	Peter Pekaar	1501	10	Terry Fuller	1226

DRY CASTING OFFICER'S REPORT DECEMBER 2007

Sunday, 2 December 2007

When we arrived at the oval at 7am, casting conditions were perfect. By the time casting started, the wind was blowing a strong south south-easterly, changing later in the day to a south-westerly for a while. Despite the strong winds, there was generally good casting by everyone. The Seniors had only two out of bounds on distance and the Vets and Juniors had only one.

Among our 18 casters we had one visitor, Rick Lawrence, who George was instructing. Whilst he didn't cast in single handed accuracy, he did cast in the other events and managed to score in all but three casts, which is a really good first time effort.

The Keet family again joined us, with Greg making steady gains from last month. At her first meeting, Felicity Keet managed 53 points, beating brother Morgan, with 24 points. Holly Walker's casting is improving every month with help from Vix. Vix Alexander won all the ladies' events with quite a few 100m+ casts, whilst Gary Gildersleeves was a clear winner in double handed accuracy with 169 points. Looking at double handed accuracy, it surprised me that there were no bull's eyes, but plenty of 23s & 24s. The three bull's eyes in single handed accuracy were by George Holman, Mal Head and Andrew Pekaar.

Andrew Pekaar had a day to remember, scoring a PB of 257 points, which was the second highest score of the day behind Gary Gildersleeves. He outscored the seniors and re-set three Junior SCAC records. He reset his own 112g to 149.53m, artificial bait to 131.56m and single handed accuracy to 33 points. Well done, Andrew.

While injuries restricted Jimmy Strong to single handed accuracy, he still managed a respectable score of 26 points.

Longest Casts

- 56g cast Mal Harris – 139m.
- Artificial Bait Andrew Pekaar – 132m
- 112g Mal Harris – 161m
- Double Handed Accuracy Gary Gildersleeves – 169 points
- Single Handed Accuracy Andrew Pekaar – 33 points

Section Winners

Seniors:	Peter Pekaar	206 pts
Veterans:	Gary Gildersleeves	283 pts
Ladies:	Vix Alexander	192 pts
Juniors:	Andrew Pekaar	257 pts
Mini Juniors:	Felicity Keet	53 pts

Thank you to everyone for helping to set up early so that Mark Hansen could get his casting completed early and get off to his family function. I also thank Peter Stoeckel for giving up his time to come down and set up the barbecue in between packing up to move house.

***Peter Pekaar
Dry Casting Officer***

After our regular competition, we had the last single handed open event for the casting year. We had six competitors in total. Marcia Pekaar and Vix Alexander went first and it was very close with only five metres separating their total distances. Vix won three out of the five casts but Marcia had the longest cast with 42.43 metres. The men's competition was also close with distances ranging from 75.58m to 83.81m. It's a pity more members don't join in to these open competitions.

SINGLE HANDED OPEN 2 DECEMBER 2007

LADIES

Member Name	Cast 1	Cast 2	Cast 3	Cast 4	Cast 5	Best Cast
Marcia Pekaar	41.12	38.73	42.43	33.27	38.23	42.43
Vix Alexander	35.64	40.87	36.43	36.01	39.67	40.87

MEN

Member Name	Cast 1	Cast 2	Cast 3	Cast 4	Cast 5	Best Cast
Peter Pekaar	70.09	73.16	81.39	83.81	81.67	83.81
George Holman	76.63	81.02	79.35	Did not cast	Did not cast	81.02
Andrew Pekaar	71.14	66.70	74.21	78.97	76.66	78.97
Mal Harris	63.98	64.03	70.19	75.58	68.16	75.58

Night Casting At George's - 8 December 2007

As usual, the annual night cast was held at George Holman's on 8 December. A good night was had by all with the beer and good will flowing. Once the sun went down, we ventured across the road to the oval where Peter Stoeckel set up our targets. At the end of the casting the winners were:

Participation Award:	Michelle Walker
Winner Ladies Division:	Wendy Hansen
Runner Up Ladies Division:	Marcia Pekaar
Winner Men's Division:	George Holman
Runner Up Men's Division:	Andy Thorgersen
Winner Juniors Division:	Andrew Pekaar
Runner Up Juniors Division:	Holly Walker

Lures and trophies were awarded by **Peter Stoeckel** who had kept the scores. **Bob Henderson** supplied the trophies and many thanks go to **Ric Parker** for donating his Barron Lures. Our sincere thanks go also to **George** and **Kaye Holman** for their hospitality and the use of their home for the evening.

YANCHEP TO SEABIRD FIELD DAY REPORT

This field day was looked forward to with eager anticipation because it was one with many "firsts". Firstly, it was the first for the summer, secondly it was the first time I had fished that particular stretch of coast, thirdly it was my first one as [Acting] FDO and fourthly it was the closest away field day to home.

We had mostly packed on the Friday night and with a final inclusion of last minute gear [tarps for possible showers] and the two hounds, we left home under threatening skies and made the 40-minute journey to the designated sign on area just in front of the picturesque Yanchep Lagoon. 13 people signed on [12 members and 1 visitor], and after some purchases from the café, nine of us followed Morris to the much lauded fishing spot where he had good results the previous week. Because the Pekaars were staying at Guilderton, that's where they fished. With the odd spit of rain, the convoy of six FWDs bumped along the limestone track towards the coast. After passing through an open gate and driving north along sand tracks, we arrived at the spot where we let our tyres down to 18lbs or less. Hadley informed us that this was his first experience at driving on sand. Once we'd driven the 3 or 4km up the beach, with a couple of bogging incidents, the vehicles were arranged along the sand and all the assorted fishing paraphernalia was unleashed. The conditions were overcast with easterly winds and some precipitation; there was very little swell and even less weed, so the physical act of fishing was rather enjoyable. Too bad that the fish didn't seem all that hungry.

As we fished through the afternoon and into the evening, herring and very small whiting seemed to be the only fish enticed into biting on a baited hook. Vix landed the only tailor that day and Melvin hooked up a ray that took about 20 minutes to land. By about 11pm all but Daniel had retired to bed from the lack of fish and abundance of rain. Daniel fished through the night and had a couple of hook ups on something big [possibly mulloway] but was broken off each time. The weather had become biblical with flashes of lightning; great rumbling peels of thunder and the ever persistent rain. By dawn half of us were up and fishing while the sensible half were warm and dry in bed. A few more herring were caught and Mark managed a couple of tailor by bait casting with mulies. By 9.30am, the rain was torrential and we'd stopped fishing and packed our sodden gear up. The drive back along the beach saw one vehicle repeatedly succumb to the soft sand, but Peter, with his trusty Nissan/snatch strap, dragged the stricken vehicle the entire length of the beach. After re-inflating tyres, the group made its way back to the Yanchep Lagoon car park for some hot café food, chit chat and the weigh in. The Guilderton fishing group proved that pickings were slim there too as only herring made it into Peter and Andrew's bags. Malcolm won the best bag with 30 herring at 4.858kg, Mark had the best scale fish of a 0.582kg tailor and Vix was the only one who caught all three species weighed in that weekend [herring, tailor and whiting].

This Field Day venue looks very promising and should prove more successful under normal summer conditions and I look forward to fishing this bit of coast more often.

Our next field day is a local on January 12/13. This is an easy one where you get to sleep in your own bed and one at which there is less chance of getting bogged! I hope to see you there.

Mark Hansen
Field Day Officer [Acting]

**The December Weigh in at Yanchep.
This is the crew (minus Mal Harris our photographer)**



Mark Hansen, Wendy Hansen, Daniel Plech, Morris Kolman, Peter Pekaar,
Marcia Pekaar, Andrew Pekaar, Peter Stoeckel, Vix Alexander, Melvin Wee,
John Crompton.

FOR SALE

Burley Cages. 40 cents each. Mal Head has plenty for sale.

All proceeds go directly to the club.

Thanks, Mal.

Recorders Report for December 2007

Field Day Sections up to and including December				
Section	Angler	Species	Weight	
1A	Best Scale Fish (1st Six Months)	George Holman	Mulloway	6.640
1B	Best Scale Fish (2nd Six Months)	0	0	0.000
2	Most Meritorious Fish	0	0	0.000
3	Best Shark (4.5kg min)	Mark Hansen	Shark	4.400
4	Best Mulloway (2.0kg min)	George Holman	Mulloway	6.640
5	Best Tailor (1.0kg min)	Mark Hansen	Tailor	2.885
6	Best Salmon (3kg min)	Mark Hansen	Salmon	4.025
7	Best Skipjack Trevally (0.5 kg min)	Ian Cook	Trevally, Skipjack	0.964
8	Best Mackerel (2kg Min)	0	0	0.000
9	Best Scale Fish (Other than above)	Malcolm Harris	Snapper Pink	3.420
10	Best Bag Of Scale Fish	Tino Baiardo	Mixed Bag	13.540
11	Best Bag Of Mulloway (2 Fish Min)	George Holman	Mulloway	8.090
12	Best Bag Of Tailor (2 Fish Min)	Malcolm Harris	Tailor	6.365
13	Best Fish On S/H Rod 4kg b/s line (max)	Peet Wessels	Pike	0.195
14	Best Fish Caught on Fly Rod	0	0	0.000
Sportsperson Of The Year Sections for December				
Section	Angler	Species	Weight	
Best Scale Fish	Mark Hansen	Tailor	0.582	
Best Bag of Scale fish	Malcolm Harris	Mixed Bag	4.858	
Field Day Prizes for December				
Section	Angler	Species	Weight	
Best Scale Fish	Malcolm Harris	Tailor	0.582	
Best Bag of Scale fish	Malcolm Harris	Mixed Bag	4.858	

2006 / 2007 Open Competition Results till December 2007

Please let me know if there are any omissions.

Section	For	Min Weight	Details
1.	Most Meritorious Capture	None	Winner chosen by the Committee, if the Committee considers meritorious enough.
2.	Best Shark	4.5 kg	
3.	Best Mulloway	5.0 kg	George Holman 6.8 kg Wagoë
4.	Best Salmon	3.5 kg	
5.	Best Dhufish	Legal size	
6.	Best Tailor	1.5 kg	George Holman 4.9 kg Crayfish Bay
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	George Holman 3.8 kg False Entrance
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 fin Bream	0.6 kg	George Holman 0.9 kg False Entrance
16.	Best Scale fish other than sections 3 to 14	2.0 kg	
17.	Best Fish caught on Fly Rod.	Legal size	

Field Day Points to December 2007

Malcolm Harris	1104.22
Mark Hansen	756.04
George Holman	601.2
Vix Alexander	591.16
Ian Cook	469.5
Peet Wessels	454.6
Peter Pekaar	420.16
Morris Kolman	416.19
Andrew Pekaar	386.84
John Crompton	369.2
Tino Baiardo	302.14
Peter Osborne	279
Marcia Pekaar	269.9
Sandra Wessels	258.8
Ian Taggart	202.93
Wendy Hansen	170
Melvin Wee	169.12
Peter Stoeckel	162.94
David Maxted	142.84
Greg Keet	117.9
Greg Walker	90
Grant Taggart	65.02
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Stephen Pekaar	54.2
Hadley Markus	50
Terry Fuller	50
Bev Grigo	40
Daniel Plech	40
Mike Traynier	40

Barron Lure Competition

Heaviest Tailor	4.9 kg	George Holman
Heaviest Salmon		
Heaviest Scale fish	4.9 kg	George Holman

Kalbarri House For Rent

The Club has a house in Kalbarri. The house is situated close to the river, beaches and town. It has two bedrooms and will sleep up to eight (max) in 1 double bed and 3 bunks, has reverse cycle air conditioning and ceiling fans to keep you cool in the summer months. Users need to bring their own linen, blankets and towels, tea towels, etc. It has a radio and television, stove with oven, microwave oven, crockery and cutlery and all cooking utensils, fridge and freezer. It does not have a washing machine, but there is a laundromat in town. Outside has a fish cleaning facility and a full width verandah. Rates are:-

Public:-	Off season	\$250 per week	On season	\$390 per week	} all plus \$50
Club Members:-	Off season	\$160 per week	On Season	\$210 per week	} deposit / bond
Club Members:-	Short term	\$45 for one night	\$40 per night for two or more nights		plus \$55.00 } cleaning

Bookings taken for the school holidays go from Saturday to Saturday (leaving by 10am). Outside of school holidays it does not matter. The club has decided that cleaning will need to be paid for and is \$55.00 extra on the rates above for future new bookings. The club is now being charged GST on the cleaning.

Contact Property Officer Vix Alexander for more details and for bookings.

Check in time is 1pm. Check out time is 10am. Keys can be picked up from Ray White, Shop 1, Kalbarri Arcade. If people arrive after hours, they leave a note on the door of their office with a map of how to get to the house and telling them where the key will be.

If any work needs to be done in, on or around the house, please contact the Property Officer for approval. Members who are staying in the house are not allowed to authorize any repairs or services on the house without authority from the Property Officer, Treasurer or President.

Vix Alexander, Property Officer

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Michelle Walker was omitted last month - Happy Birthday, Michelle, for 18 December.

The following members celebrate their birthdays in January:

Heather Hicks	5 January
John Lee	9 January
Andy Thorgersen	26 January

REEF BEACH *Heavy Duty Fishing*

Reef Beach is well known to older members for its promise of something exciting. We have had fish of record size caught at RB. These include Salmon, Skippy, Shark etc. A member caught a Skippy of over 3 kg and I have had gilled and gutted salmon of over 5kg. The bay is made up of a number of small crescent beaches. These have an offshore reef chain about 100 metres out from the beach. The water is very deep right up to the beach with channels running out through the reef. The area has you thinking *large fish country*. The inside of the reefs is still fishable in quite strong winds. The beach is only about 5-8 km long, so we all fish in a relatively small area.

The camp site is just in from the beach front and is not well protected, so bring a strong tent and plenty of tent pegs and guys. Access is by 4WD and you can get a trailer or off road camper in fairly easily. I personally really enjoy fishing at RB as much as the Bluff Creek venue.

Reef Beach is located about 50 km east of Bluff Creek. To get there, you continue past Bluff Creek and turn onto the Bremer Bay Road. Go approximately 28 km and turn onto a track which takes you to the beach. Foster Beach and Dillon Bay are around the next headland to the east.

To get to these locations, go back to the Bremer Bay Road. Proceed approx another 20 km and turn down Dillon Bay Road. This road splits and goes to both Dillon Bay and Fosters Beach. Both these locations have good fishing and are very scenic. As a past FDO, I recommend this venue.

DOLA's Colour aerial photography of this area is very good.

Web site <http://www.landonline.com.au/skyvieww> Follow the prompts, go into low resolution images, select Bremer Bay, utilise the tool bar. If you have any issues give me a ring and I will explain the site.

Tight lines
Ian Cook

SHARK BAY SAFARI 2008

The committee has decided to make the trip to Shark Bay an official Club Safari. The dates are **Monday, 28 April 2008** to **Saturday, 10 May 2008**. School goes back on 29 April.

The trip is for beginners as well as for the more experienced gung ho fisher persons. There is fishing suitable for children near the camping site. The fishing will be from the cliffs, beach and boats. The species you can expect to catch are Mackerel, large Tailor, Tusk Fish, Yellow Fin Whiting, Yellow Fin Bream, Baldchin Groper, Emperor, Shark, Flathead, Pink Snapper and other species. **Tino** fished from the beach in front of our camp on the last trip and caught, Yellow Fin Whiting, Yellow Fin Bream, Flathead and lost some larger fish.

There are areas where you can snorkel and look at coral, sponges, cowry shells and tropical species fish. The water is always warm for swimming, with the camp site on a beautiful beach with shallow water. The camp looks to the east and west so you get great sunsets and sunrises.

The weather at this time of year is still fairly warm. The afternoon sea breezes of the summer period are still there, but lighter. We expect some lengthy periods of easterly winds in the mornings and low swells, which is good for ballooning.

It takes about 12 hours travelling time to get to Shelter Bay. You need to leave at 03:00 hrs to get there with sufficient time to set up camp. Last July, we split the trip up stopping overnight at the Billabong Motel. The trip in the next day got us there about midday with ample time to set up camp. This was a relaxing trip up and we were fresh to start fishing the next morning. Currently, there are approx 16 people going, including five women.

The camp sites only have long drop toilets with no other facilities. Water is available @ \$5 per 20 L. This means that you must be self-sufficient. The nearest service station is the Overlander 200km away. CDMA phone service is to be discontinued in January 2008, so your new phones will possibly not operate. There is a public phone near the ranger's house. At times, insects can be an issue, so remember fly/mosquito nets.

The round trip will be about 2000 km, including trips to locations like False Entrance, Thunder Bay and Shelter Bay. The heaviest rainfall in the area is May through July so take good strong tents and wet weather gear. YES, it does rain in the Shark Bay area – just ask the boys who went in July. Some dome tents can be demolished by the winds at Shark Bay, just ask Melvin Wee. It rains on an average of 10 days of the month. The temperatures range from an average of 26 degrees maximum and an average of 16.5 minimum. Humidity is 73%.

Morris Kolman has purchased cylinders of party gas with balloons from Spotlight. This may be a cheaper way of acquiring the balloon gas. These cylinders are also easy to transport and move round when walking/climbing down to fishing locations.

The overall cost would be in the order of \$500 - \$800. The shared costs must be paid by the beginning of April 2008. An up front non-refundable deposit of \$50 per head is required by the **JANUARY GENERAL MEETING** to get your name on the list. The organisers will sort out camp site bookings, bait, generator and boat fuel. This cost is split evenly between the participants. Smaller groups can then organise their own transport, tenting and cooking arrangements. We will be looking for participants to help with supplying vehicles, HD trailers, boats and equipment like generators, freezers, "engels" etc. There will be an instruction period at the **February General Meeting** as well as other information supplied over the last couple of months before we go. I have a very comprehensive trip list in electronic form if anyone wishes to get a copy.

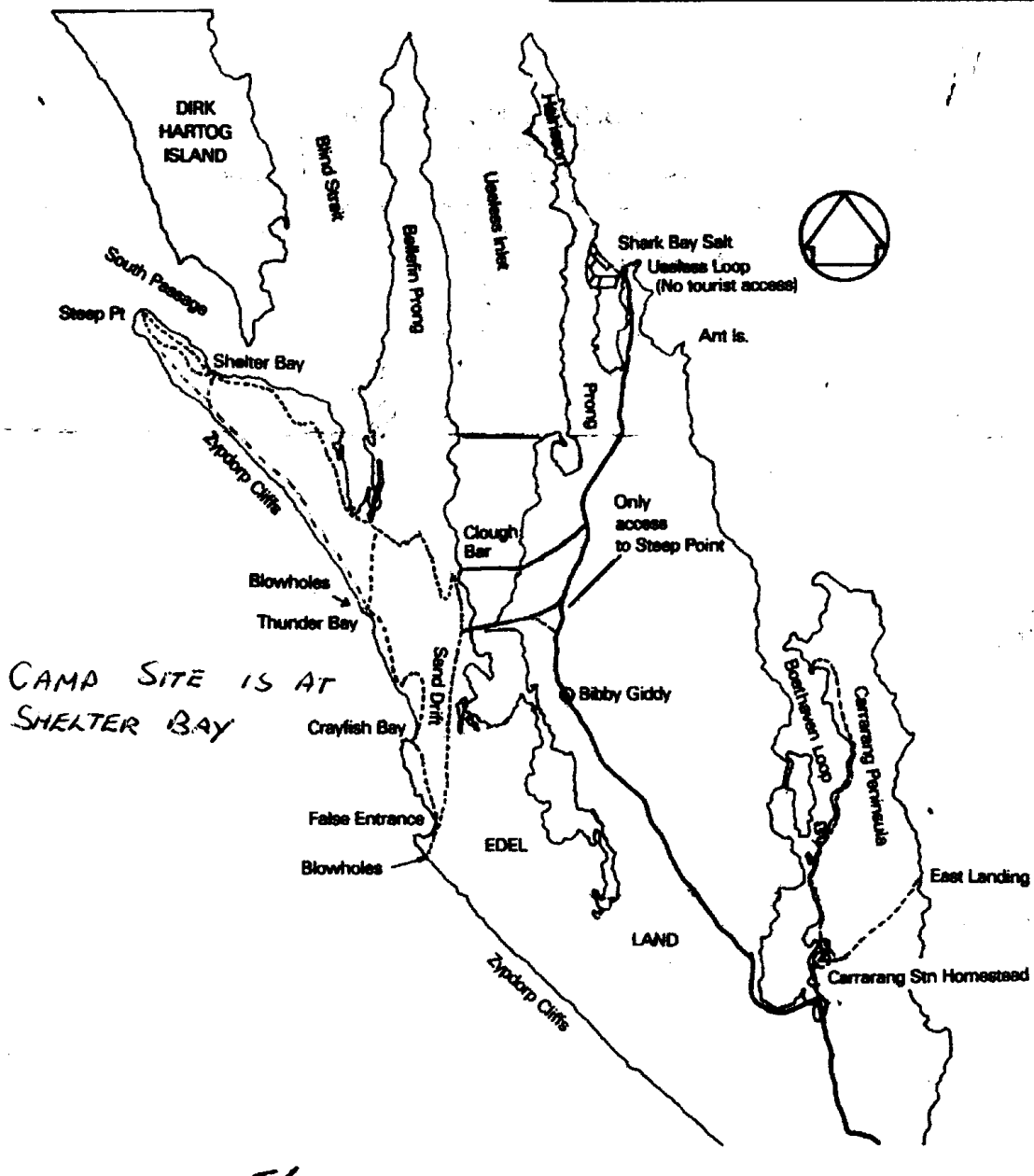
Have a look at the video of the July 2007 trip. A copy can be borrowed from Mark, Greg, Ian and Tino.

There is an excellent Steep point web site with a lot of information

<http://www.steepoint.com.au/>

Again DOLA web site aerial photos give a lot of information about the area. DOLA's web site <http://www.landonline.com.au/skyvieww> Follow the prompts, go into low resolution images, select Bremer Bay, utilise the tool bar. If you have any issues give me a ring and I will explain the site.

Tight Lines
Cookie



Mud map of the Steep Point area of Shark Bay

Map shows the main road in to the causeway and then the major access tracks.

The camp site is at Shelter Bay.

Steep Point is approximately 10 kilometres from our proposed camp site.

Tides for Carnarvon 2008

Wednesday, 30 April 2008	1.10m @ 6:41 AM 1.03m @ 10:22 AM 1.27m @ 4:49 PM
Thursday, 1 May 2008	0.71m @ 12:36 AM 1.19m @ 7:34 AM 0.97m @ 1:01 PM 1.21m @ 6:46 PM

Friday, 2 May 2008	0.72m @ 1:42 AM 1.31m @ 8:12 AM 0.81m @ 2:30 PM 1.23m @ 8:29 PM
Saturday, 3 May 2008	0.73m @ 2:28 AM 1.44m @ 8:47 AM 0.61m @ 3:22 PM 1.27m @ 9:40 PM
Sunday, 4 May 2008	0.74m @ 3:07 AM 1.59m @ 9:23 AM 0.42m @ 4:07 PM 1.30m @ 10:37 PM
Monday, 5 May 2008	0.75m @ 3:45 AM 1.72m @ 10:00 AM 0.27m @ 4:51 PM 1.31m @ 11:28 PM
Tuesday, 6 May 2008	0.77m @ 4:22 AM 1.81m @ 10:39 AM 0.18m @ 5:36 PM
Wednesday, 7 May 2008	1.29m @ 12:15 AM 0.78m @ 5:00 AM 1.86m @ 11:19 AM 0.15m @ 6:22 PM
Thursday, 8 May 2008	1.25m @ 1:01 AM 0.79m @ 5:40 AM 1.86m @ 12:01 PM 0.18m @ 7:09 PM

FIELD DAY FLYER

Please note the flyer in the centre of your Reel Talk. Please use this to make your selection of field day venues for the coming year. Write down the date in one column and in the adjacent column write down your choice of venue. Bring your selection along to the meeting in April when our Field Day calendar will be decided. Alternatively, post your flyer to the Club's PO Box, marked to the attention of the President. Have your choices clearly indicated so that your preferences can be taken into consideration.