



# Surf Casting & Angling Club of W.A. (Inc.)

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George Holman

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## Life Members of the Club

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

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### Minutes of General Meeting, 13 June 2007

<b>Venue</b>	:	Coolbinia West Perth Amateur Football and Sporting Club Room
<b>Date</b>	:	13 <sup>th</sup> June 2007
<b>Time</b>	:	20:15
<b>Present</b>	:	20 Members attended.
<b>Apologies</b>	:	Trevor Stam, Jody Pallett, Melvin Wee and John Crompton
<b>Visitor</b>	:	None

**Previous Minutes:** As Published in June Reel Talk. **Moved** Jimmy Strong, seconded Morris Kolman, these are a true record. Carried.

#### **Inwards Correspondence:**

<b>Mail:</b>	Ray White Kalbarri	May Account Statement and Booking List
	AAA	Minutes of May 07 AAA Delegates General Meeting
	R & D White	Cheque for Income Tax Refund and PAYG changes.
	Westpac Bank	Bank Statement for April. Balance 1 May \$10,621.10
	Westpac Bank	Bank Statement for May. Balance 31 May \$10,612.11

<b>Email:</b>	Craig Tucker	Albany Fishing
	Robert Stafford	Information

#### **Outwards Correspondence:**

<b>Mail:</b>	Mr & Mrs D Dunnett	Thank You for being able to once again use Emu Springs (I Cook)
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<b>Email:</b>	Craig Tucker	Albany fishing information (P Wessels)
	Robert Stafford	Information re: Club and Meeting Place (P Wessels)

**Treasurer's Report:** Sandra Wessels reported. Bank Balance: \$10,612.11

Monies Received:

- Dry casting 10/06/07	\$ 167.00
- Drycasting BBQ	\$ 149.00
- Terry Willison Membership	\$ 85.00
- P Wessels Membership	\$ 95.00
- A Aubrey Membership	\$ 85.00
- G Holman Membership	\$ 85.00
- E Parker Membership	\$ 85.00
- M Head Kalbarri Rent	\$ 535.00
- M Harris Emu Springs	\$ 84.00
- ATO Tax Refund	\$ 461.56
- Dinner	\$ 1025.00
- Rottnest Deposit Aug 07	\$ 300.00

Accounts to be Paid: - Coolbinia Meeting Room \$200.00

Special request made to all members that refunds, of any sort, be put in writing to the treasurer.

**Moved:** Vix Alexander                      **Seconded:** Malcolm Harris

**Property Officer:** Vix Alexander reported briefly on the Kalbarri House. Bookings going well. No complaints received. Account for re-attachment of cistern received and accepted.

**Secretary's Report:** Nothing to report.

**Field Day Report:** Malcolm Harris reported on Emu Springs and Rottnest. Emu Springs was a good weekend with great camping, reasonable fishing and good weather. Rottnest weekend went well. See June Reel Talk for full report.

**Dry Casting Officer:** Peter Pekaar reported on the June Dry casting day. 22 People attended. Results good. Special thanks to all helpers with the casting and bbq. Vote was requested for change in July Dry Casting Day to 8 July 2007 at 09:30. Date and Time change was voted for and accepted.

**AAA Report:** George Holman gave his report and made special mention of the fact that Dry casting will be greatly promoted.

**Recorder:** Ian Cook requested all submissions for species be made as soon as possible. Also requested that Rottnest Bookings have to be made in advance.

**Social Organiser:** Josh Lucocq reported that the Car Rally will take place in August. Please see Reel Talk for further details. Josh also mentioned a special thanks to Peter Stoeckel for the effort he is making in the arrangements of the Presentation Evening.

**Reel Talk Editor:** Marcia Pekaar once again requested that all information be submitted by the Friday after the Committee Meeting.

**Notices of Motion:** None

**General Business:** New 2007/2008 Membership Fee Structure was accepted by all members.  
 Any Donations for the Trophy Fund will be gratefully accepted.  
 Cut-off date for Presentation Evening – both tickets and prizes is 30<sup>th</sup> June 2007  
 Special thanks to Bev Grigo for donation of Rice Cooker for Kalbarri House.  
 Special thanks also to Mal Head for the donation of corks.

**Instruction Period:** Peter Pekaar gave a talk on Gas Ballooning.

**Meeting Closed:** 21:45

### AGM August Meeting

Members are reminded that the August Meeting will be our Annual General Meeting. Everyone is encouraged to consider nominating for one of the many Committee positions. Office Bearers are an essential part of the successful running of *Your Club*.

### 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>29</b>	AAA Event																			
<b>8</b>	Dry Casting		11		General Meeting		14		15		Field Day		18		Committee Meeting					
<b>July 2007</b>							<b>August 2007</b>							<b>September 2007</b>						
Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
30	31					1			1	2	3	4	5						1	2
2	3	4	5	6	7*	8	6#	7	8	9	10	11	12	3	4	5	6	7	8	9^
9	10	11	12	13	14	15	13	14	15	16	17	18	19+	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
16	17	18	19	20	21	22	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	17	18	19	20	21	22	23
23	24	25	26	27	28	29	27	28	29	30	31			24	25	26	27	28	29	30

Please Note: **8 July** has been nominated as the July Dry Casting date due to several members being away on 1 July. This change was raised and voted in at the June General Meeting. **Casting on 8 July will begin at 9.30am.**

\* 7 July Presentation Night

# 6 August – 8pm Meeting at George Holman's to discuss upcoming Championships

+ 19 August Car Rally

^ Dry Casting will be held on 9 September due to Fathers' Day being celebrated on 2 September

#### 2007 Field Day Dates, Venues and Boundaries

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

Dates	Venue	Boundaries and more details
14-15 July 2007	Cape to Cape	See FDO
10-12 August 2007	Rottneest	See FDO
15-16 Sept 2007	Cervantes to Sandy Cape	See FDO

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

Sunday, 8 July 2007	Sunday, 5 August 2007
Sunday, 9 September 2007	Sunday, 7 October 2007

**2007 General Meeting Dates.** All at Coolbinia West Perth Amateur Football and Sporting Club room, Wordsworth Avenue, Yokine, start 8:00pm.

Wednesday, 11 July 2007	Wednesday, 8 August 2007
Wednesday, 12 September 2007	Wednesday, 10 October 2007

### **COMING CLUB EVENTS**

#### **Field Day, Cape to Cape**

**When:** 14-15 July 2007  
**Sign On:** Phone the FDO  
**Lines Down:** Check with FDO  
**Boundaries:** Cape to Cape. Check with FDO  
**Weigh In:** Sunday, 15 July. Check with FDO

#### **Field Day, Local**

**When:** 14-15 July 2007  
**Sign On:** Phone the FDO  
**Lines Down:** Check with FDO  
**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, 15 July 2007 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 8.00pm that night.

#### **July Dry Casting**

**When:** Sunday, 8 July 2007  
**Where:** Yokine Reserve, Wordsworth Avenue  
**Events:** Double handed accuracy, single handed accuracy, 56g distance, artificial bait distance, 112g distance  
All casters please assist with the setting up at the beginning of the day before setting up your own gear.  
Please assist with the retrieval and packing up of the casting equipment at the end of the day's events.

**Sausage Sizzle: Sausage & Bread \$1.00; Can of Cool Drink \$1.00**  
**Casting Sinkers also available on the day.**

#### **July General Meeting**

**When:** Wednesday, 11 July 2007  
**Where:** Coolbinia West Perth Amateur Football and Sporting Club Room, off Wordsworth Avenue, Yokine, about 200 metres south-east of the Yokine Bowling Club.  
Please remember to tick your name off the attendance sheet which is on the table near the door. And while you are there, what about buying some of the raffle tickets?

## Dry Casting Results, 10 June 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	D C		G M
	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				
	Seniors	1 (m)	2 (m)	Points	1 (m)	2 (m)	Points	1 (m)	2 (m)	Points	3	3	1	1	4	4	2	2	Points	L	S	L	S	Points	Total	D C	G M
Malcolm Harris	126	130	26	119	120	24	0	147	15	0	21	5	24	0	24	19	12	105	4	1	5	4	14	184	10	0	194
Eric Parker	91	102	19	94	81	18	118	121	24	15	17	12	21	0	25	2	11	103	0	9	0	9	18	182	10	0	192
Terry Willison	125	128	25	107	110	22	133	137	27	0	13	21	12	0	5	17	0	68	9	10	3	7	29	171	10	0	181
Mark Hansen	116	121	24	116	107	22	145	141	29	0	16	22	8	0	0	9	17	72	0	1	0	8	9	156	10	0	166
Peter Pekaar	122	122	24	119	118	24	158	0	16	25	12	0	15	0	0	14	4	70	3	6	0	0	9	143	10	0	153
Rhys Jones	0	106	11	0	0	0	133	138	27	0	11	23	18	0	0	5	15	72	4	4	7	8	23	133	10	0	143
Tino Baiardo	69	71	14	80	83	16	81	90	17	8	7	7	15	2	9	15	10	73	6	4	0	1	11	131	10	0	141
Greg Walker	0	81	8	85	84	17	102	30	13	0	0	17	19	0	4	0	2	42					80	10	0	90	
<b>Veterans</b>																											
Gary Gildersleeves	119	123	24	114	0	11	137	130	27	20	12	23	23	8	19	19	21	145	0	7	0	8	15	222	10	0	232
Ian Cook	115	114	23	0	98	10	126	132	26	19	17	21	16	22	12	21	13	141	8	3	3	5	19	219	10	0	229
George Holman	131	0	13	124	128	25	150	0	15	13	13	22	11	22	18	19	19	137	1	9	9	10	29	219	10	0	229
Bob Henderson	118	116	23	111	103	21	129	130	26	20	17	14	15	8	24	11	21	130	6	5	0	7	18	218	10	0	228
Malcolm Head	99	103	20	89	88	18	115	108	22	20	8	12	25	16	8	22	23	134	3	5	3	8	19	213	10	0	223
Allan Jones	107	0	11	105	96	20	113	120	23	10	9	14	23	11	20	18	17	122	8	8	3	6	25	201	10	0	211
Trevor Stam	63	62	13	67	53	12	70	78	15	18	14	21	12	0	13	17	9	104	6	1	7	2	16	160	10	0	170
John Crompton	70	66	14	62	62	12	77	68	15	8	18	0	0	0	0	13	15	54	3	1	0	7	11	106	10	0	116
<b>Ladies</b>																											
Vix Alexander	85	73	16	68	64	13	78	73	15	10	8	17	9	7	3	19	4	77	0	3	0	6	9	130	10	0	140
Bev Grigo	69	64	13	58	51	11	70	63	13	0	0	4	14	0	6	0	0	24						61	10	0	71
Marcia Pekaar	0	34	3	0	0	0	54	54	11	20	0	0	7	0	0	0	11	38						52	10	0	62
<b>Juniors</b>																											
Andrew Pekaar	97	95	19	75	83	16	108	116	22	16	8	1	10	8	3	14	9	69	0	7	1	7	15	141	10	0	151
Stephen Pekaar	73	73	15	60	55	12	66	82	15	0	2	4	0	0	0	0	5	11	0	7	5	0	12	65	10	0	75
Holly Walker	43	41	8	35	38	7	28	35	6	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	5	0	0	1	0	1	27	10	0	37

## Dry Casting Winners for 10 June 2007

Event	Seniors Winner		Veterans Winner	
56 gram Score	26	Malcolm Harris	24	Gary Gildersleeves
56 gram Distance	130	Malcolm Harris	131	George Holman
Artificial Bait Score	24	Malcolm Harris, Peter Pekaar	25	George Holman
Artificial Bait Distance	120	Malcolm Harris	128	George Holman
112 gram Score	29	Mark Hansen	27	Gary Gildersleeves
112 gram Distance	158	Peter Pekaar	150	George Holman
Double Handed Acc.	105	Malcolm Harris	145	Gary Gildersleeves
Single Handed Acc.	29	Terry Willison	29	George Holman
Section Highest Points	194	Malcolm Harris	232	Gary Gildersleeves

Event	Ladies Winner		Juniors Winner	
56 gram Score	16	Vix Alexander	19	Andrew Pekaar
56 gram Distance	85	Vix Alexander	97	Andrew Pekaar
Artificial Bait Score	13	Vix Alexander	16	Andrew Pekaar
Artificial Bait Distance	68	Vix Alexander	83	Andrew Pekaar
112 gram Score	15	Vix Alexander	22	Andrew Pekaar
112 gram Distance	78	Vix Alexander	116	Andrew Pekaar
Double Handed Acc.	77	Vix Alexander	69	Andrew Pekaar
Single Handed Acc.	9	Vix Alexander	15	Andrew Pekaar
Section Highest Points	140	Vix Alexander	151	Andrew Pekaar

Event	Overall Winner		Year's best up to June 2007	
56 gram Score	26	Malcolm Harris	28	Peter Pekaar
56 gram Distance	131	George Holman	150	Malcolm Harris
Artificial Bait Score	25	George Holman	28	Peter Pekaar
Artificial Bait Distance	128	George Holman	139	Peter Pekaar
112 gram Score	29	Mark Hansen	31	Malcolm Harris, George Holman
112 gram Distance	158	Peter Pekaar	163	Peter Pekaar
Double Handed Acc.	145	Gary Gildersleeves	145	Gary Gildersleeves
Single Handed Acc.	29	Terry Willison, George Holman	30	Terry Fuller
Day's High Points	232	Gary Gildersleeves	243	George Holman

## Dry Casting Top Ten for 2007/8

Total scores up to and including June casting – not including June General Meeting attendance. Only the best 11 months out of 12 count at the end of the year.

1	George Holman	472	6	Peter Pekaar	361
2	Malcolm Head	414	7	Eric Parker	345
3	Ian Cook	405	8	Malcolm Harris	344
4	Terry Willison	374	9	Trevor Stam	323
5	Allan Jones	371	10	Andrew Pekaar	317

**Please Note:** Last month there was an error in the advertised fee schedule. The May edition of the Reel Talk advised of a Motion which was passed at the April meeting which allowed a fee increase whereby single fees rose from \$6 to \$10 and Family fees rose from \$8 to \$12. Please accept my apologies for the error.

As raised at the General Meeting, members are asked to have the correct change available when signing on for Dry Casting to avoid the club having to have a huge float for change. Your assistance in this matter would be greatly appreciated.

**Marcia Pekaar**  
**Reel Talk Editor**

## **Dry Casting Report (Vets, Ladies & Juniors)**

With Mal and AJ out near the targets, the Vets started on the D/handed event and the first few casters indicated a strong competition was looming. Blimey the "Should'a/Could'a" and "Gunna" was all around as many fluff ups were soon presented. At least the Ladies were busy assisting new girl Bev Grigo sort out her casting. When Mal and AJ stepped up, their efforts looked encouraging but saw "Gazza" take the top honours in the Vets.

The single handed event started with a gasp when Cookie came ever so close to getting a clanger. George reacted by settling down and his next three casts were spot on for him to win this event. Bragging rights whistled out towards a certain "senior" to cop that. Apparently he did the same.

With a brisk headwind, many casters put them too high which stopped them in their tracks and drop short. Only the experienced held out to put down some good distances. Time will tell if Cookie can get it together. With Vix's guidance, new girl Bev put many good casts away on her first day's effort.

The score sheet tells us that "Gazza" won the 56 and 112 gram events with George taking out the A/bait event. "Sampson" put a few good ones down and little bruva "Stevie Wonder" is getting better. Vix won the Ladies and deserves a pat on the back for her training technique to Bev. Marcia, Marcia what went wrong?

Thanks to "Little Johnny" for the snags and drinks.

Well done to the "stand in Dry Casting Officer".

**Hendo**

### **REMINDER OF FEES**

#### **Dry Casting:**

**Single: \$10.00 Family: \$12.00**

#### **Field Day:**

**Single: \$9.00 Family: \$12.00**

## **CAR RALLY – SUNDAY, 19 AUGUST 2007**

Start Time: 9.00am  
Location: Yokine Reserve, Wordsworth Avenue  
What to Bring: Your car and a road map.  
Route instructions will be handed out on the day.

*A \$5.00 charge per person will be required to cover the cost of the barbecue.*



## **June Dry Casting Report (Seniors)**

Arriving at 7am, Andrew and myself are the first people at the oval and we are welcomed by a fine but very cold morning. Whilst we sorted out our equipment, other members started to show and were only too eager to assist - AJ, Terry W, Mal Head and George on Accuracy; Rhys, Andrew and myself on Distance. Marcia, Stevie and John Crompton took care of attendance and collection of fees. Because everything was running smoothly, time was available for us to have a few practise casts.

WA State Team Captain, Bob Henderson, called the group together to present certificates and merchandise to some of the surf casters. He also gave a talk about our time at Phillip Island as well as the 2009 South Australian event, in which several casters have already expressed an interest.

With Bob taking care of Ladies, Veterans and Juniors I had a relatively easy job with the Seniors. Mal Harris took charge of the 56g and Art Bait, but was closely checked by other Seniors. The 112g event was fairly close with good casting considering the howling south-easterly winds, which held the distances back. Mark Hansen took the points, followed by Rhys Jones and Terry Willison.

Ric Parker started strongly in D/H Accuracy, scoring a bull's eye, but a late charge by Mal Harris just won – 105 points to 103 points. Rhys Jones' 23 points in S/H Accuracy was not good enough to hold off Terry Willison's 29 points.

Bull's eyes were scored by: Terry Willison, Ric Parker and Peter Pekaar (Marcia, I'm still waiting for my roast dinner!!).

It was good to see Tino at dry casting, and considering it was his first time, he was very competitive and let's hope he becomes a regular.

With only four dry casting days left until the State Titles, we will stay on after our regular competition for anyone wishing to practise.

Our sincere thanks go to both John Crompton & Mark Hansen for the barbecue.

***Peter Pekaar***  
***Dry Casting Officer***

## **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.

***Mal Head***

## **HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO THESE MEMBERS WHO HAVE THEIR BIRTHDAY IN JULY**

Craig Wantenaar	4 July
Peter Osborne	7 July
Trevor Stam	14 July
Amber Wantenaar	14 July
Melvin Wee	19 July

## **June Field Day – Emu Springs**

Eleven members and six visitors were able to make the trip over the long weekend to Emu Springs (to be renamed Whiting Springs). The Pekaar family and Ian Taggart fished locally. Most of the people who fished Emu traveled down Friday and settled into the camping area by that evening. For those who haven't been to Emu Springs yet, the camp site is perfect - about a kilometer from the beach, sheltered by the sand dunes and amongst a glade of Peppermint trees; very comfortable indeed.

Sign on was at eleven o'clock Saturday morning and lines down by midday which meant we were all driving around looking for that perfect spot for a while before getting a line in the water. Melvin liked one spot so much that he drove down onto the beach and stayed there until Peter Stoeckel, with the help of a few others, were able to drag him out. Sloping beaches and soft sand make for sticky places.

That afternoon, the fishing was slow apart from the ravenous hoards of Whiting that stripped your bait within a few minutes. The tide was low in the afternoons and being a full moon, the tidal movement was considerable, so much so that the hole we were fishing in shrunk to about one quarter of its size by evening. I think we had about three fish in the bag by the time we headed back to camp that night and two of those were Whiting.

George and Mark had some success with a Gummy Shark each but the rest of the catch from the others was small fish along with the odd Whiting or three.

Sunday was an early start, we woke the camp early with our preparations and were on the beach by sun up with a high tide and high expectations. Vix started off well with a nice Tailor but then only the odd Herring and of course seventeen million Whiting, some not much bigger than the bait. We fished the same hole that we had fished the day before and stuck it out until midday. Just as we were leaving, a couple of the locals turned up and were delighted to take over the spot that we had been burleying up all morning. We had an awful feeling as we drove away that the decision to move was not a good one. Two Salmon heads on the beach the next morning confirmed the worse.

Monday morning was a chance to make up some lost ground with a couple of hours fishing before the weigh in. Mark, Ian, Vix and I fished a nice reef section with a few smaller species but Vix stole the day by landing a good Salmon about half an hour before pack up. So back to camp for the weigh in and that dreaded part of the trip, the pack up to go home.

We were very fortunate with the weather for the whole weekend. Slight breezes during the day with a cloudless sky but also meant very cold nights, the swell was small and nothing in the way of weed to speak of, we just needed a few more Salmon.

At the weigh in, Ian recorded four species including a good Flathead of just over .900kgs. Mark recorded five species with the highlight being a 4.400kg Gummy Shark. John Crompton weighed in one of only two Tailor for the weekend of just under .500kgs. Melvin caught a nice Tarwhine and George recorded five species with his biggest fish a Gummy Shark of 3.700kgs. Vix weighed in four species which included her Salmon of 3.500 kgs and I weighted in four species with my biggest fish being a Wirrah of just under 1.00kgs.

A few of us stayed on for an extra day but the fish were still as uncooperative apart from the Whiting of course. The Pekaar family weighed in a few Herring for their local trip which was unfortunately cut short by some drop kick breaking into to their vehicle while they were on the beach fishing, a sad indictment of our times when you can't enjoy our outdoors without it being exposed to anti social behavior by a dim witted minority.

On a more pleasant note, our next field day is on 14-15 July and is the southern section of the Capes but is dependent on the weather. If the swell is up and a strong wind from the south or south west we will move it to the northern section of the capes were there is some shelter, we will make that decision at the sign on.

Hope to see you on the beach next time.

**Malcolm Harris**  
**Field Day Officer**

**2006/2007 Field Day Dates, Venues and Boundaries**

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

<b>Dates</b>	<b>Venue</b>	<b>Boundaries and details</b>
14-15 July	Cape to Cape	Southern section of the Capes from Augusta to the mouth of the Margaret River
10-12 August	Rottneest	All of Island except sanctuary zones
15-16 September	Cervantes	Cervantes to Sandy Cape

**July 2007 Field Day – Cape to Cape**

When: Saturday/Sunday 14-15 July 2007  
 Sign On: Saturday 11.00am at the car park at the western side of Busselton jetty  
 Lines Down: Saturday 12.00noon  
 Weigh In: Sunday 12.00 noon at the car park at the western side of Busselton Jetty  
 Boundaries: Augusta to Margaret River (If inclement weather boundaries to be changed on the day to northern section of the Capes)

**Local Field Day July 2007**

When: Saturday/Sunday 14-15 July 2007  
 Sign On: At the General Meeting or to the FDO by 6.00pm Friday night  
 Lines Down: Saturday 12.00noon  
 Weigh In: Sunday 12.00 noon at George Holman's house, rear of 89 Clontarf Street, Sorrento. Scale will be available on his back patio. An adult member must witness the weigh in. Field day monies to be left with the scales in an envelope with your name and details written in the carbon copy Field Day book. Nb money = No points. Results to be phoned to the field Day Officer by 8.00pm that night.

**Boundaries: *Penguin Island to north wall of the Two Rocks Marina, including the Swan River and both the North and South Moles.***

**August 2007 Field Day – Rottneest**

When: Friday, 10 August – Sunday, 12 August 2007  
 Sign On: Saturday 6.00am at the accommodation huts  
 Lines Down: Saturday 6.00am  
 Weigh In: Sunday 1.00 pm at the accommodation huts  
 Boundaries: All of Island except sanctuary zones

### Local Field Day August 2007

When: Saturday/Sunday 11-12 August 2007  
Sign On: At the General Meeting or to the FDO by 6.00pm Friday night  
Lines Down: Saturday 6.00am  
Weigh In: Sunday 1.00pm at George Holman's house, rear of 89 Clontarf Street, Sorrento. Scale will be available on his back patio. An adult member must witness the weigh in. Field day monies 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 the field Day Officer by 8.00pm that night.

**Boundaries:** *Penguin Island to north wall of the Two Rocks Marina, including the Swan River and both the North and South Moles.*

### AAA of WA REPORT

There was a good attendance of delegates at the June meeting of the above, around 16 persons present.

Finances and MSR funding were dealt with at length and claims will be made on all the activities the Association has held over the past 12 months. It was stated that it is now time to apply for funding for the 2007/2008 year.

The Association had a resignation from the Albany Club, stating they were not happy with the communication regarding the recent State Beach Championship held at Cheynes Beach. They will be contacted and asked to review their decision.

Some coastal boating clubs are having trouble retaining their club rooms due to escalating prices of coastal locations. This is causing some problems, particularly for clubs that have been established for some time.

The Rock & Beach Championships are to be held at Port Gregory over the long weekend at the end of September. More details will be available later. Anyone interested is welcome to attend the groups meeting and have their say. Please contact Peter Stoeckel.

The State Dry Casting Championships are to be held at Yokine Reserve on Sunday, 28 October. A meeting is to be held at George Holman's house, 89 Clontarf Street, Sorrento on Monday, 6 August at 8pm. Anyone interested is welcome to attend.

Steps are in place to make the presentation for the 2005/2006 and 2006/2007 competition years of champion anglers and champion clubs. The recipients will be contacted and are asked to be in attendance at the Sportsmen's Association, Stancliffe Street, Mt Lawley by 7pm on 17 July 2007, please. A few drinks and nibbles will be supplied.

A lot of discussion was had regarding the professional fin fish management programme announced recently and what it entails and the ramifications envisaged. Also, the topic of the forthcoming revision of the recreational management was discussed at length and the need to work with Recfishwest so we achieve a good balance and also manage our fish stocks for sustainability and our future activity. It is important that all clubs get involved, put their ideas and needs to the Association delegates so we in turn can put their requests to Recfishwest because, like all submissions, it is a numbers game.

Pat Shinnick has been chairing the meetings of late and doing a very good job and our secretary, Dianne McDonough, is very efficient.

There appears to be enthusiasm around which is good to see.

**George Holman**

### **A Surfcaster in Qatar**

Qatar is a small Arabic state between United Arab Emirates and Saudi Arabia. The land mass is a peninsula about 50 km wide and 150 km long. It is very oil/gas rich and with a small population, per person, is a very wealthy country. The locals do not want to become embroiled in the conflict/wars of some of the neighboring states and have distanced themselves from any death and destruction. Am working here as an expatriate with technical knowledge in the Oil and Gas industry where the local producers require to develop one of these multi-billion dollar gas to liquids plants. As such it is a very safe place to work with very little crime, only major issue the locals drive two speed cars – flat out or dead stop. So driving has to be done in a defensive mode with a need watch out for rear end collisions. Am working long hours, by six days a week so this does not allow me much time for recreation. Friday is the day off (Muslim religious day) and has allowed me to explore local fishing.

Doha the capital, is situated on a bay in the Persian gulf, tropical waters. A lot of development is occurring in Doha, including the development of a major Port, with applicable breakwaters, groins and jetties – with some being accessible to the general public. Had toured around and watched various fishermen before acquiring gear. Fish sizes range from herring or whiting at the top end to your little finger size at the smaller end.

### **The Outfits**

Have a conventional spinning rod and reel, but managed to purchase a typical outfit that is used successfully here for this type of shore fish – no real swell or wave break except when very windy – then too uncomfortable to fish.

Rod – telescopic x 6.5 metres long, no runners (Very, very soft action over the last third)

Reel – Nil

Line – about 5 metres of 4 kg line, tied to tip of rod.

Terminal – small float (size of a 10 cent piece) or a pencil float.

1 to 2 metre leader with

No 8 chemically sharpened LS hook.

Pea sinker to balance float and get bait down.

i.e. A - Ned Kelly Rig

### **The Fish**

Generally all very small – some would go well in a small home aquarium. Have caught probably in excess of 2 doz. different species, but few meet a size I consider sufficient for eating. Most are tropical, subtropical species and the ones I like to catch for eating are members of the bream species - tarwhine, fingermark and couple of others not found as far south as Perth.

Catch these using small pieces of prawn or fish. (The latter from small fish caught such as slimy mackerel and similar.) This style of fishing requires a high degree of concentration as to be successful, standing on jetty or groin rock wall, have to watch with an eagle eye that float, any slight “down” and with a wrist flick, maybe a hook-up, - probably only one in 10 do I actually hook.

The best excitement using the Ned Kelly Rig was when I hooked a large Long Tom. Must have been close to a meter long – had me running around the Jetty. This thing was thrashing around and jumping on this light gear with the soft rod doing the work of subduing. Finally got it beat, but as I suspected, when I tried to lift up onto jetty, fish too heavy and the terminal rig broke. Aaaarrgh – But really no loss as most of us that have fished north throw these back due to their poor eating qualities – boney and greenish flesh and bones. Have they got a set of teeth though – requires great care in handling

My actual best catch was on the spin rod. When Ned Kelly fishing, I usually put the spin rod out with a large strip or small whole fish bait. Has only happened once, but to my surprise, the rod went off and I captured a small “Hamour” - in excess of one and a half kilo. This is the local name – commands top \$ in their markets or at restaurants, but is what we call an estuary cod. Gave me a couple of great fish dinners, but have not repeated as yet.

Part of the excitement and interest in fishing new places like this is – what species is going to come out of the ocean next time?

**Peter Osborne**  
**(20 May 2007)**

### **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**

*A big thank you goes to **Bev Grigo** for her kind donation of a rice cooker to the Kalbarri House.*

## Recorders Report for June 2007

Field Day Sections up to and including June				
Section		Angler	Species	Weight
1A	Best Scale Fish (1st Six Months)	Mark Hansen	Salmon	4.025
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)	0	0	0.000
5	Best Tailor (1.0kg min)	Vix Alexander	Tailor	0.580
6	Best Salmon (3kg min)	Mark Hansen	Salmon	4.025
7	Best Skipjack Trevally (0.5 kg min)	Malcolm Harris	Trevally, Skipjack	0.600
8	Best Mackerel (2kg Min)	0	0	0.000
9	Best Scale Fish (Other than above)	Ian Cook	Cod	1.200
10	Best Bag Of Scale Fish	Tino Baiardo	Mixed Bag	13.540
11	Best Bag Of Mulloway (2 Fish Min)	0	0	0.000
12	Best Bag Of Tailor (2 Fish Min)	Ian Taggart	Tailor	1.100
13	Best Fish On S/H Rod 4kg b/s line (max)	0	0	0.000
14	Best Fish Caught on Fly Rod	0	0	0.000

Sportsperson Of The Year Sections for June			
Section	Angler	Species	Weight
Best Scale Fish	Vix Alexander	Salmon	3.500
Best Bag of Scale fish	Vix Alexander	Mixed Bag	4.760
Best Shark	Mark Hansen	Shark	4.400
Best Bag Including Sharks	Mark Hansen	Shark	5.320

Field Day Prizes for June			
Section	Angler	Species	Weight
Best Scale Fish	Vix Alexander	Salmon	3.500
Best Bag of Scale fish	Ian Cook	Mixed Bag	2.810
Best Shark	Mark Hansen	Shark	4.400

### Barron Lure Competition

Heaviest Tailor	kg	Nil Entry
Heaviest Salmon	kg	Nil Entry
Heaviest Scale fish	kg	Nil Entry

## 2006 / 2007 Open Competition Results till June 2007

### Nil Entries

The group going to Shark Bay in June plan on changing this situation dramatically.

<b>Masters Fish for June</b>		
<b>Angler</b>	<b>Species</b>	<b>Weight</b>
Ian Cook	Flathead	0.910
Vix Alexander	Salmon	3.500

<b>Top Ten up to June</b>		
<b>Rank</b>	<b>Angler</b>	<b>Total Points</b>
1	Mark Hansen	354.7
2	Malcolm Harris	320.6
3	Ian Cook	287.6
4	Vix Alexander	228.6
5	Tino Baiardo	205.4
6	George Holman	169.9
7	Morris Kolman	137.7
8	Ian Taggart	108.0
9	Peter Pekaar	96.2
10	John Crompton	84.3

## **Recfishwest Report for Reel Talk July 2007**

### **Recreational Fishing Future Management**

Club members should be aware of significant recent media publicity about large changes coming to recreational fishing, including bag and catch and area limits. The following topics were covered in detail at the June AAA Delegates Meeting.

Statements by the Minister for Fisheries in various places.

Newspaper reports.

TV programs ABC Stateline and Channel 7 Today Tonight.

Species likely to be involved.

Who is responsible? Who should take the pain of cuts?

Commercial Wetline Review outcomes:- "40% cuts" stated.

Commercial/recreational catch shares currently.

Integrated Fisheries Management and commercial/recreational catch shares in future.

Size of the cuts.

"Options" floated for management:- Area closures, bag limits, size limits, time closures, "licensing" (tags)

Justifications given so far.

Research and other supporting data released by Department of Fisheries.

Public information and consultation.

Timetable for further information and introducing the actual changes.

Sharing the available recreational catch between all the people who want to catch some fish.



Contrary views - the fish are still out there and so there's no need for recreational changes.

The reality:- Quote: -"In the past decade the maximum age of dhufish caught has dropped 10 years, from 41 to 31 years old, and the proportion of older dhufish has decreased from 25% to 9% of the fished population (i.e. greater than 4 years old)."  
Source:- State of the Fisheries Report 2005/6 Page 58.

**Choice:-** It's a simple but a stark choice between doing something or losing the fishery - sooner or later.

Role of Recfishwest and AAA/RFW Board Member in further action on this topic.

Clubs not represented at the AAA Delegates Meeting may contact Recfishwest Board Member Terry Fuller about presenting this information at a club meeting.

### **More Marine Parks Are Coming Soon**

Information from a statement to Parliament by the Minister for the Environment in May.

**Dampier Archipelago and Cape Preston:** The government is currently finalising matters relating to native title, port boundaries and areas subject to a state agreement act. The Department of Environment and Conservation, with the Marine Parks and Reserves Authority, will finalise a management plan for approval by government before the establishment of the conservation reserves.

**Walpole and Nornalup Inlets:** An indicative management plan was released for public comment last year. The Department of Environment and Conservation and the Marine Parks and Reserves Authority are currently finalising a management plan for approval by government before the establishment of the park.

**Capes Marine Park:** The public consultation process for the proposed Capes Marine Park between Geographe Bay and Hardy Inlet on the south west coast is now complete and DEC is preparing a final plan with the Marine Parks and Reserves Authority.

It is expected that we will be able to create these three new marine parks and reserves during the remainder of this year 2007. The management plan for the **Shoalwater Islands Marine Park** next to Rockingham is being finalised and will be publicly released in the coming months.

### **Casting Around the Internet With Recfishwest**

A new publication "Casting Around the Internet With Recfishwest" has details of some interesting fishing related articles found on the Internet. The aim of these is to inform people of some of the things which affect recreational fishing. The intention is to put out these publications regularly.

The emphasis is on Western Australian topics - but doesn't exclude other significant or interesting articles when we find them. The format is a heading, one (or maximum two) short sentences about the contents and a clickable link for you to go and read the full article for yourself.

These will be emailed to members of Recfishwest and to other people who register with Recfishwest. Become a full voting Member or a **FREE!!** Corresponding Member of Recfishwest. We have made it very easy for you to become a member. Details <http://www.recfishwest.org.au/MembershipDet.htm>

### **Recfishwest Website Updates**

The Recfishwest website has always been regularly updated with copies of most of Recfishwest's work.

On top of that, the whole website has recently been rearranged, revised and enhanced with features such as a Site map, What's New page, hit counters on all pages, simplified links, simple way to email comments to RFW or email pages to friends, and extra new content.

The What's New page <http://www.recfishwest.org.au/WhatsNew.htm> makes it so easy for you to see what has been added since your last visit. The hit counters have shown access from nearly 40 countries from all over the world, from various search engines (Google etc), the actual pages accessed, and other valuable information.

### **Other Topics Covered by Recfishwest**

Peel/Harvey Inlet crab management, bag and boat limit changes.

Metropolitan recreational Abalone season report.

Commercial Wetline Review outcomes and timetable, media statement.

Diver injury at a FAD and A-Flag identification for non scuba divers.

Ascot Waters "no fishing/no motorised boating signs" West Australian Planning Commission.

South Coast Regional Marine Planning Advisory Group.

FRDC Project "Empowering Fisheries" (funding and research)

Publicity for Recfishwest.

Fishing Clinics Northern Tour 2007.

Submission on Management of the Houtman Abrolhos System Draft Review.

Submission to Integrated Fisheries Allocation advisory Committee paper "Assessment framework for fisheries inter-sectoral allocation model"

Application for Commonwealth Community Grants Scheme funding for promotion of the Release Weight for use in maximising the survival of released reef or demersal fish.

### **Join and Support Recfishwest**

Recfishwest is your public voice whenever decisions are being made which affect our fisheries, or access to areas for fishing. Fish stocks, the waters and coastal areas are owned by the whole community, not by any individual or any company who may be licensed to exploit them.

**Decisions are being made now** (like the recreational fishing changes) which will affect fishing opportunities for you, your children and your grandchildren in the future. Recfishwest represents the needs of both current and future generations of recreational fishers to maintain their access to their **fair share** of the State's fish stocks.

**You need Recfishwest to look after your recreational fishing interests.** Who else has the time, the knowledge, the professional approach, the realistic alternatives, the willingness and the contacts?

**Recfishwest needs YOUR support.** We would really like you to become a member, get involved and help us. After all, **you** are the ones who will benefit if Recfishwest succeeds, or **you will lose out when Recfishwest is ignored.**

There are two different types of membership available.

1. **Full Voting Membership** of Recfishwest costs only \$22 a year. For just a small amount, you can help to make sure that YOUR peak body can continue, you can vote for people to represent you on the Recfishwest Board, you will get media releases and bulletins advising about activities affecting recreational fishing, and you will be asked for your opinions on these and listened to.

2. **Free Corresponding Membership** If you can't afford \$22 for a full membership, then send in your e-mail details and we will register you as a free corresponding member. You will still get updates and electronic bulletins, and still be asked for your opinions on these and listened to, but we would rather that you took the next step and became a full voting member.

If you don't have email, you can still become a **corresponding member by post** to receive Recfishwest Bulletins by post, but we ask for a voluntary donation of \$5 to cover postage and handling.

Membership forms for the two types of membership are on the Recfishwest website <http://www.recfishwest.org.au>

The website is kept up to date with current and previous activities by Recfishwest.

**BECOME A MEMBER OF RECFISHWEST.** It can cost you as little as \$0.00 - nothing.

What have you got to lose?

But if you can't or won't join or help, at least find out what Recfishwest does, tell Recfishwest what you need and give Recfishwest your comments.

Most of all, please spread the news about what's going on and let others know who is working for recreational fishermen and getting things done - and that is Recfishwest.

Please let other people know when you agree with what Recfishwest is doing, because that sort of support is vital. Otherwise some people who make the decisions will question your silence.

If you don't agree, please let us know why so we can discuss the reasons with you and listen to your points. Who knows, if you have a good case, you can change the decisions. You'll never know if you don't try.

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This report prepared by Terry Fuller, your Recfishwest Board Member for the Australian Anglers Association working voluntarily on your behalf. **The bottom line:-**

**If it's worth having - it's worth working for. If you want it for nothing, then that's how much it is worth to you.**

*Terry Fuller*

**PRESENTATION NIGHT REMINDER:  
SATURDAY, 7 JULY 2007  
6.30pm MARMION ANGLING CLUB**



***The Emu Springs Team: Mark & Wendy Hansen, Melvin Wee, Samuel Wee, George Holman, Greg Walker, Michelle Walker, Vix Alexander, Mal Harris***



***Michelle Walker with Sarah***