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November 2015 fishing field day

Cervantes/Jurien, 14/15 November 2015.

Synopsis. The November 2015 field day was spread from Green Head to Sandy Cape to Jurien to Cervantes with most persons fishing the Hill River area, and South Point at Jurien.

Weather conditions at this venue were good to very good except too good. The expected SW sea breeze in mid/late afternoon did not materialize, resulting in tailor schools not coming close in to

to shore to feed, and the following morning SE winds with nearly flat seas. The result was ranged from fair to zero bags with tailor catches predominant and small numbers of various other species.

The away venue gave pleasant fishing conditions with most getting a small feed of fish. For the field day the Surfcasters that departed the weigh-in, some had nil smiles and some had big grins with lots of kidding about things that went right or wrong.

The trip. The sign on at the Cervantes Service Station was at 12:30 pm Saturday 14 November with lines down at 2pm with fishing through until Sunday 15 November with the usual lines up at 10am with the weigh-in conducted at 11:30 am at the sign-on location.

A total of 17 SCAC anglers including two Juniors came to the away sign-on. Gary Parkinson, Sri Srigandan, Victor and Slavka Schilo, George Belin, Peet and Sandra Wessels, Shane Wignell, George Holman, Pat McKeown, Martin Wearmouth with sons Thomas and Christian, Ron Thomas, Eddie Korin (that's a face that has been out of state for the past few years) and Peter Osborne.

Pat, Gary and Sri came up on Friday and advised weed was not a problem. Although 4 seniors and two juniors did not attend the weigh-in as they had zero or one small fish, it was still good to see a couple of newcomers get some fish, Sri Srigandan, and George Belin. Their fish were not huge but quality tailor with a maximum size a little over 0.5kg. plus George also managed a herring.

The majority of Surfcasters fished the mouth of the Hill River. As Fremantle club were out in force and they start their field day at 6am, most of the spots we normally fish along the stretch south of Hill River were already crowded out.

Martin also tried the mouth of the Hill River Saturday afternoon for black bream but did not manage to repeat what he had done in the past. He managed only one tailor with Shane catching two tailor and a whiting. Sandra managed a tailor, 3 herring and a whiting with Peet having a bag comprising 3 tailor and 2 herring

Victor and Slavka did their bit at Jurien South Point. Slavka retained her bragging rights over Victor in that her heaviest tailor was 0.03 kg bigger than Victor's and her total bag weight was 0.02 kg than Victor's. They also had a first experience of landing a small stingray. Slavka was enamoured with the cute look of this animal with its bulging eyes. Careful handling enabled them to undertake a catch and release.

The Club owns an air conditioned holiday house at Kalbarri which is available for rent to the public and club members at competitive rates.

Link is above.

George Holman fished at one of his favourite spots nominally west of the car park access to the Hill River. Like all of us George worked hard at catching tailor and managed to get four, plus a pike.

However his highlight was later in the afternoon when his rod all of a sudden bent double, his reel screamed and with care and playing carefully, allowing the fish to run and not putting lock-up drag on, he landed a great little spanish mackerel of 3.1 kg gilled and gutted.

This gave him the heaviest bag of fish of 5.14kg, (excluding sharks)



George Holman's surprize catch - a Spanish mackerel



Ron Thomas' example of a great tailor

Ron Thomas went north and fished Sandy Cape at a place called the Kingy hole. The hole was full of weed and he had to cast long and fish well on the outside of the weed. He managed to land 4 tailor but lost more trying to drag them in through the weed. Ron had the heaviest tailor of the field day at 1.1kg gilled and gutted.

He also captured a whiting and a dart and also managed a small shark, (we think a bronzy) where Ron immediately bled the shark.

He bought the fish to the weigh-in table gutted with fins, head, and tail removed where this fish weighed in at 3.95kg.

For those that wondered why this amount of dressing down, it is to significantly improve the eating qualities of this specimen. Ron's bag was the heaviest being 7.08 kg including his shark

I fished just south of Dog beach point. Couple of tailor well before dark and anticipated getting a good tailor run as it got dark but it did not happen. I fished till 10pm but for the next 3 hours only managed a pike. Like most, the afternoon gave blowies striping the mulie bait within 5 or 10 minutes of putting in the water. After dark the blowies switched off and the undersize tarwhine switched on. Pleasant evening, nice and cool but like most effort gave results that were virtually fishless.

Following morning I got up early and went up to Green Head. On berleying up immediately captured one, then a second herring and thought I was going to bag out. Nope those two fish, plus a wrasse, was it. This was the heaviest bag of fish, being 1.75 kg after Ron and George and was symptomatic of the low level of catches for this field day. As a further statistic on the low level of captures, compared to last month at this venue, Victor and Slavka, George Belin and Peet managed bags in the 1 to 1.5 kg range.

In summary fish and various species, 9 species across all the participants, showed up as expected, but not in the quantities we normally experience for this venue. While Perth sweltered, we enjoyed a relaxing and comfortable bit of beach fishing.

Local. Only one Surfcaster fished local, Michael Pisano put in a solid 4 hour session on Saturday afternoon/ evening at Floreat beach with nil result. He encountered similar conditions we had further north with no sea breeze, calm seas and no tailor coming into the coastline to feed at dusk. An "A" for effort but a "0" for fish captures.

Hope to see you at our December field day at the White Hills/Preston areas. High expectations these locations will provide us with schools of quality tailor and other miscellaneous species.

Tight lines,

Field Day Officer, Peter Osborne

Catch results and points for November 2015 Field Day

Angler	Weight	Species	Fish	Points
Ron Thomas	7.08kg	3	9	120.8
George Holman	5.14kg	3	6	101.4
Peter Osborne	1.75kg	4	6	77.5
Peet Wessels	1.51kg	3	6	65.1
George Belin	1.45kg	3	5	64.5
Sandra Wessels	0.83kg	3	5	58.3
Victor Schilo	1.03kg	2	3	50.3
Slavka Schilo	1.07kg	2	3	40.7
Shane Wignell	0.77kg	2	3	37.7
Sri Srigandan	0.69kg	1	2	36.9
Martin Wearmouth	0.41kg	1	1	34.1
Eddie Korin				20
Gary Parkinson				20
Glen Wong				20
Michael Pisano				20
Pat McKeown				20
Christian Wearmouth				10
Thomas Wearmouth				10

Points include Field day and November General meeting points.

Species weighed at the November field day were tailor, herring, tarwhine, pike, spanish mackerel, whiting, wrasse, shark.

Sportsperson of the Year section winners for November 2015

Best scale fish	George Holman	Spanish Mackerel	3.10kg
Best bag of scale fish	George Holman	Mixed bag	5.14kg
Best shark	Ron Thomas	Shark	3.95kg
Best bag including shark	Ron Thomas	Mixed bag	7.08kg

Field day section winners for November

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Catches on November
2015 Field Day

		Tailor	Herring	Pike	Whiting	Spanish Mackere!	Shark	Tarwhine	Wrasse	Total
Species #		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	
Sandra Wessels	Number	1	3		1					5
	Total weight	0.41	0.34		0.08					0.83
	Weight of best									
Peet Wessels	Number	3	2		1					6
	Total weight	1.26	0.19		0.06					1.51
	Weight of best									
Ron Thomas	Number	4	4				1			9
	Total weight	2.61	0.52				3.95			7.08
	Weight of best	1.10								
Sri Srigandan	Number	2								2
	Total weight	0.69								0.69
	Weight of best									
George Holman	Number	4		1		1				6
	Total weight	1.88		0.16		3.10				5.14
	Weight of best									
Martin Wearmouth	Number	1								1
	Total weight	0.41								0.41
	Weight of best									
Shane Wignell	Number	2			1					3
	Total weight	0.65			0.12					0.77
	Weight of best									
Peter Osborne	Number	2	2	1					1	6
	Total weight	1.20	0.22	0.17					0.16	1.75
	Weight of best									
Victor Schilo	Number	2	1							3
	Total weight	0.92	0.11							1.03
	Weight of best	0.51								
Slavka Schilo	Number	2	1							3
	Total weight	0.94	0.13							1.07
	Weight of best	0.54								
George Belin	Number	3	1					1		5
	Total weight	1.14	0.08					0.23		1.45
	Weight of best									
Michael Pisano										
Thomas Wearmouth										
Christian Wearmouth										
Glen Wong										
Eddie Korin										
Gary Parkinson										
Pat McKeown										
Total number		26	14	2	3	1	1	1	1	49
Total weight		12.11	1.59	0.33	0.26	3.1	3.95	0.23	0.16	21.73
Species #		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Total

Field Day top scores for 2015/16

Total scores are calculated automatically by the field day scoring spreadsheet including November Field day and General meeting. Competition Rules section 2.4.5 specifies only the best 11 months out of 12 will count at the end of the competition year.

The winners will be announced at the Presentation of Trophies in June 2016, and adjusted scores will be published after that. Names with equal scores are sorted alphabetically.

Name	Points	Rank	Name	Points	Rank	Name	Points	Rank
Peet Wessels	923.2	1	Sri Srigandan	208.1	12	Scott Williamson	84.4	23
Peter Osborne	893.1	2	Ron Thomas	181.2	13	Dean Stewart	82.6	24
Sandra Wessels	704.9	3	Mark Hansen	172.5	14	Jamie Reilly	75.7	25
Mark Nurse	646.6	4	Michael Pisano	155.3	15	David Maxted	69.6	26
Shane Wignell	546.6	5	Victor Schilo	132.3	16	George Belin	64.9	27
Theo Van Niekerk	423.5	6	Ian Taggart	115.5	17	Glen Wong	51.8	28
Martin Wearmouth	394.4	7	Sarah Wignell	114.1	18	Lee Yongli	40.0	29
George Holman	390.4	8	Slavka Schilo	112.1	19	Thomas Wearmouth	21.0	30
Gary Parkinson	353.7	9	Chris Gaston	112.1	20	Geoff Raftis	20.0	31
Daniel Bell	259.6	10	Pat McKeown	106.7	21	Christian Wearmouth	10.0	32
Paul Terpkos	240.8	11	Nic Terpkos	89.7	22	Peter Butland	10.0	33

Field Day sections 2015/16

Up to and including November 2015 Field Day.

1A	Best scale fish (1st six months)	Gary Parkinson	Pink snapper	7.64kg	June
1B	Best scale fish (2nd six months)	George Holman	Spanish Mackerel	3.10kg	November
2	Most meritorious fish	To be awarded by Committee			
3	Best Shark (4.5kg min)				
4	Best Mulloway (2.0kg min)				
5	Best Tailor (1.0kg min)	Mark Nurse	Tailor	1.18kg	May
6	Best Salmon (3kg min)	Martin Wearmouth	Salmon	4.48kg	June
7	Best Skipjack Trevally (0.5 kg min)	Peet Wessels	Skipjack Trevally	1.67kg	August
8	Best Mackerel (2kg min)	George Holman	Spanish Mackerel	3.10kg	November
9	Best Yellowtail Kingfish, Samson or Amberjack	Sandra Wessels	Yellowtail Kingfish	4.41kg	August
10	Best scale fish (other than above)	Peet Wessels	Baldchin Groper	1.84kg	May
11	Best bag of scale fish	Peet Wessels	Mixed bag	19.08kg	June
12	Best bag of Mulloway (2 fish min)				
13	Best bag of Tailor (2 fish min)	George Holman	Tailor	4.43kg	October
14	Best fish on single handed rod (4kg line max)	Mark Hansen	Herring	0.12kg	August
15	Best fish caught on fly rod				
16	Best fish caught on single handed rod (4kg line max) and a soft plastic lure	Mark Hansen	Wrasse	0.25kg	August
17	Best fish caught on single handed rod (4kg line max) and a hard body lure				

Field day spreadsheet developer, Terry Fuller