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- . Casting Day FIRST Sunday of Each Month unless otherwise noted. - Starting times will be STRICTLY adhered to.
- . Monthly General Meetings are usually held on the SECOND Wednesday night of each month at 8 p.m. SHARP.
- . Field Days are held generally on the Weekend after the General Meeting.
- . Annual Dinner Dance and Presentation of Trophies is held in June. Time and Place to be determined.
- . OPEN: Club Records: Line Ratio Badges applications MUST be in to the Recording Officer within 30 DAYS of Capture.
- . Give your Committee any ideas you have. Don't sit on them.
- . ALL Library Books MUST be returned at following Monthly Meeting unless permission is given to hold books longer.
- . Should any Member for any reason need to resign from the Club please send a letter of resignation to the Secretary.

Next General Meeting:

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When: 10th November, 1982

Where: Dianella Community Hall, Light Street, Dianella

INSTRUCTION: PERIOD: Social Happy Hour

NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING:

When: 17th November, 1982

Where: Dianella Community Hall, Light St, Dianella

NEXT DRYCASTING DAY:

When: Sunday 7th November, 1982

Where: Yokine Reserve

Events: L/L 112 grams

L/L 56 grams

D/H Accuracy

S/H Accuracy

NEXT FIELD DAYS:

NOVEMBER:

When: 13/14th November

Where: LANCELIN- Wedge

Boundries: From Lancelin Jetty to Cliffs north of Wedge

Sign-on: Beginning of track behind hotel at 1 pm Saturday (Lancelin)

Weigh-in: Same place as sign-on 10.30 am Sunday.

NOTE: Flags must be used on all tracks and beaches.

DECEMBER: When: 11/12th December, 1982

Where: Open with restricted boundaries

Boundries: Wedge to White Hills

Sign-on: Phone F.D.O by 10.00 pm Friday

Fishing Starts : 1 pm Saturday

Weigh-in : F.D.O's Home 1 pm Sunday

JAN: Denmark (L.W.E.)

FEB: White Hills

MAR: Wago/Kalbarri (L.W.E.)

APRIL: Rottnest

EDITORIAL:

Peter Osborne (PRESIDENT) opened the October General Meeting and welcomed all members and visitors. Charles Gadie who was unable to collect his Badge plus copies of the Constitution and Etiquette last month because of a recent hospitalization was presented with these at this meeting by Peter "O". Charlie we congratulate you on becoming a member and hope your stay with us will be both enjoyable and rewarding.

A vote of thanks was recorded to Bob Klein, Ron Wintle and George Holman for the fine effort all gave over many hours compiling our taxation return. If all goes well, this club shall only be paying \$13.75 to the taxman. Thanks gents a great job.

SPECIAL CONGRATULATIONS:

It was announced at the meeting, the coming marriage of Lois K and Bob K, some time in November. Lois and Bob the committee and members wish you both every happiness in your future together.

The dispute of the fee being changed to camp at Steep Point continues, and seems to be getting hotter and hotter. The mining company has erected a gate at the causeway and all those who wish to enter must pay the fee of \$10.00 per week per vehicle and \$4.00 day pr person. It was reported at the last general meeting that some visitors arriving at the gate did not wish to pay the fee so they just cut through the chain and continued on. Fishing parties can do without this type of stupidity, for it does nothing to the cause, and only gives the Mining Company more teeth for their closing off the complete area to all.

Because of this stupid action, by cutting the chain the mining company sent a representative all the way out to the point to evict those who had not paid their fee. Apparently the representative was accompanied by a policeman who was only there to prevent trouble developing. It is believed that among those evicted were members of a fishing club affiliated with the A.A.A. If this is a fact I only hope something is done to prevent this occurring again.

Members of this club are asked to please , if you are intending a trip, do the right thing and pay the fee, before going through.

B. LEICESTER
(Editor)

THE PRESIDENTS COLUMN:

Spring is in the air and all young mans, (or girls) mind-turns to fishing - what else - we all have to get our priorities right. Dont we? Our fishing attendences on field days does tend to drop off over the winter months so hope to see a few more faces at these venues in the next few months.

At our last general meeting our delegate advised us that a committee had finally been formed for the A.A.A and the key positions had again been filled by the same executives as last year. While at times surfcasters disagree with decissions or policies originating from the A.A.A. executive it is great to see our official fishing organization in W.A. back in the role of acting as the co-ordinating body of all the various clubs in W.A. While such a co-ordinating body cannot hope to agree with or act in accordance with every single club let alone every single person, it is imperitive that we have a united front. This is particularly important nowdays as even the simple act of fishing involves interface with the government, land owners, Enviromentalists the law and just the public at large. A good example of this is what has been happening at Steep Point recently. A few persons have spoilt the casual approach enjoyed in fishing this area. Why should responsible members or clubs be at the brunt and of tightened controls or worse disbarred from utilising such a place? It is clubs like ours that look to the A.A.A. for giving the front end push, or listen to minimize the problems. We trust in the example quoted the A.A.A. can help resolve this problem, whether it be through the government, Dept of Fisheries or landowners.

While on the subject of the A.A.A. I'm sure most of you are aware of their intent to host the A.A.A. National Championships in Bunbury in 1985. These are held Bi-annually and over the past few years have enjoyed tremendous success. You should see some of the work that the committee has to do in running surfcasters, compound that to what the committee members for A.A.A have to do then consider what organizing has to be done to stage a National Championship. The Championships are a long way off, but have you considered what you could contribute? Think about it, even if you are involved in some of the competitive events the A.A.A could use your assistance. The lists of duties of various types is endless. You won't get a lot of thanks but you'll certainly be involved in the excitement of it all. The A.A.A intend to visit the various clubs in the near future. We look forward to their visit.

Continued.

Guess this month my plug has not been on surfcasters but on A.A.A. However I'll also continue to plug my favourite theme. Our (the committee) aim is to make surfcasters the best darn club there is and the most enjoyable.

Have you looked at the ideals of our club - expressed in our "Constitution". Even our Rules and Regulations have basic principles for fair play, mateship, honesty, and opportunity for all built into them. Another plug for A.A.A, their constitution also contains such heady ideals. In real life we can never achieve all of this all of the time - but we try. May-be one of our instruction periods could be a review/question time on our "Constitution" and the "Rules and Regulations"- what do you think? Once again let us know, letters, verbal discussion with committee members or discussion during general business at our meetings - let us know.

See you at the next social, drycast, fishing, meeting or even just through these pages.

Peter Osborne

NOTE

PEOPLE WHO HAVE NOT PAID THEIR SUBSCRIPTIONS ARE NOW LIABLE TO BE STRICKEN OFF OUR MEMBERSHIP LIST.

PLEASE FORWARD OUTSTANDING FEES TO OUR TREASURER IMMEDIATELY (see front sheet for address)
OR BRING YOUR FEES ALONG TO THE NOVEMBER GENERAL MEETING - YOUR LAST CHANCE.

COMMITTEE

GREENOUGH - L.W.E.

After packing, cursing and organising children we were finally on our way on Friday evening, along with visitors to the Club the Collins family, to join the slow moving queue of other holiday makers. Just before Cataby we finally got to within reach of the head of the queue, the first six cars all towing something had to give Cataby a miss for fuel.

Arrived "S Bend" around midnight and set up camp. In the morning we found we had parked ourselves next to a menagerie - the kids were impressed and spent half the weekend chasing bantams.

After early morning drizzle decided to look around the "7" and "9" mile beaches, found a suitable area for the kids and us to fish. Back to camp for lunch and sign-on and to catch up with other members. Our two eligible batchelors, Eric and Don, had more gear with them than we take for a week, i.e. caravanette, annexe, freezer, ice box, bait box, reef stands, lwb Datsun to cart it all in - for TWO! Compared to Osbornes - Peter and 5 girls in one vehicle.

Packed tea and back to "7" mile, decided to start early not like Jurien) the only things around were a couple of school sharks. The Kids had packed up their gear, as they were fed up with the weed, and had given fishing away - would rather go crab danging *! A good hours solid fishing, running out of bait, with a good catch of tailor which completed a happy nights fishing.

Sunday - returned to same area with high hopes - weed everywhere! Back to camp where Robbie did a lamb on the spit for everybody to have a taste, but unfortunately the wind and rain had settled in. Sunday evening returned to same area again but only managed a few tailor as the wind was still very strong.

Monday decided to have a look at Lucy's and area around there. Found Peter Osbornes and Eddie Korin fishing on a lower reef. Peter hooked a nice size tailor only to lose it in the wash, much to his disappointment.

On return to camp met up with two of the Geraldton fellas, over a cup of coffee with them discussed vehicles, fishing, Steep point etc. until weigh-in. Russel Collins (Jnr.V) and Paul Mollett (Jr) both weighing in some excellent fish.

Trophies were presented by both clubs.

Now the dreaded task of packing and facing Brand Highway again (heading in the wrong direction).

A weekend enjoyed by my family and our visitors.

Allan Carr.

** Danging - apply to Carr and Collins children for definition!

FIELD DAY RESULTS

OCTOBER '82 GREENOUGH

ATTENDANCE: Seniors 13
Ladies 4
Juniors 16
Visitors 4

Total: 37

	KG	PTS
G. Holman	15.45	55.0
A. Carr	13.4	53.6
B. Collins (V)	8.7	44.8
T. Debarro	6.05	29.2
E. Korin	5.9	33.6
D. Bibby	5.5	32.
R. Collins (V)	4.7	28.8
P. Mollett (J)	4.6	28.4
T. Dalonzo	4.5	28.
R. Korin (F)	3.9	25.6
R. Francis	3.65	24.6
B. Carr	2.7	20.8
P. Osborne	2.1	18.4
P. Dalonzo (F)	1.6	16.4
AM. CARR (J)	0.45	11.8

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:

M. KORIN (J), D. KORIN (J)
Dan KORIN (J), S. SUTTON,
R. SUTTON (F), R. SUTTON IJ)
R.E. SUTTON (J), K. MOLLETT (F)
N. MOLLETT (J), I. COOK,
L. HOLLIER (V), D. HOLMAN (J),
H. HOLMAN (J), H. OSBORNE (J),
J. OSBORNE IJ), K. OSBORNE (J),
C. OSBORNE (J), K. JOHNSTON (JV)
R. WINTER, P. WINTER,
S. WINTER, E. PARKER.

Heaviest Scale Fish: G. Holman 2.7 Kg Tailor
Heaviest bag of Scale fish: A. Carr 13.4 kg
Heaviest Junior Bag: P. Mollett 4.6 Kg

SPORTSMAN OF THE YEAR POINTS:

G. Holman Heaviest Scale Fish
A. Carr Heaviest Bag Scale Fish
G. Holman Heaviest Bag Shark & Scale Fish

SECTION 1:SENIOR TOP TEN:

T. D'Alonzo	478.6
G. Holman	224.3
G. Reeley	166
P. Osborne	158
L. Clifton	127.4

E. Korin	121.6
T. Richardson	105.
S. Sutton	94.6
J. Lee	88.6
I. Cook	83.2

LADIES TOP FIVE:

P. D'Alonzo	229.4
N. Clifton	98
S. Osborne	36
R. Sutton	31
R. Korin	25.6

JUNIOR TOP FIVE:

H. Osborne	118.
P. Mollett	82.8
H. Holman	75.4
D. Holman	54.
C. Osborne	52.

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SECTION: 2	Heaviest Scale Fish (1st six months) T. D'ALONZO 4.55 Salmon
SECTION: 3	Most Meritorious Fish
SECTION: 4	Heaviest Shark Min Weight (4.5 kg)
SECTION: 5	Heaviest Mulloway - H. Osborne 3.75 kg
SECTION: 6	Heaviest Tailor Min Weight (1 Kg) G. Holman 2.70 kg Greenough
SECTION: 7	Heaviest Salmon min weight (3kg) T. D'Alonzo 4.55
SECTION: 8	Heaviest Trevally (skippy) min weight 1 kg
SECTION: 9	Heaviest Mackeral
SECTION: 10	Heaviest Bag of scale fish caught on field day T. D'Alonzo 26.5 kg
SECTION: 11	Heaviest bag of mulloway H. Osborne 3.75
SECTION: 12	Heaviest Bag of tailor T. D'Alonzo 16.4 kg
SECTION: 13	Heaviest scale fish caught on S/H rod
SECTION: 14	Heaviest scale fish other than 4 - 13 G. Holman 2.3 Buff bream

OPEN DIVISION: 1982/83

SECTION 1:	Most meritorious fish
SECTION 2:	Heaviest Shark - No entry
SECTION 3:	Heaviest Mulloway - No entry
SECTION 4:	Heaviest Salmon - 4.8 kg T. Richardson (Rottnest)
SECTION 5:	Heaviest Jewfish - No entry
SECTION 6:	Heaviest Tailor - 2.6 kg Trigg - S. Whiting
SECTION 7:	Heaviest Samson Fish - No entry
SECTION 8:	Heaviest Scale fish on S/H rod (B/S line) Salmon 4.5 kg Tony Richardson (Rottnest)
SECTION 9:	Heaviest Schnapper (pink) - no entry
SECTION 10:	Heaviest Tarwhine (silver Bream) - 5 kg Trigg - P. Osborne
SECTION 11:	Heaviest Mackeral - No. Entry
SECTION 12:	Heaviest Trevally (southern) min weight 1 kg - No entry
SECTION 13:	Heaviest Trevally (north) min weight 5 kg - No entry
SECTION 14:	Heaviest Snook-Pike min weight 1 kg - No entry
SECTION 15:	Heaviest fish other than those listed in sections 2 - 14 inc. Min. weight 2 kg - No entry

OCTOBER C'ST

L.L. DISTANCE

NAME	112 gram		56 gram		Lgg	Pty	Total	Pts
	1	2	1	2				
B. LEICESTER	166	152P	130	132	580	10	570	57
R. FRANCIS	104P	104P	91	94	393	20	373	38
H.H. HEW	139	153P	127	127	546	10	536	53
S. RENSLOW	131P	126P	104P	112	473	30	443	45
G. HOLMAN	155P	169P	127	123	574	20	554	55
A. STEPHENSON	75P	60	74P	65P	274	30	244	25
P. OSBORNE	127P	134	107	109	477	10	467	47
R. KORIN (L)	76P	83	74	62P	295	20	275	28
E. KORIN	143	110	114	F/P	367	-	367	36
R. PARKER	149P	156	B/O	134	439	10	429	43
L. COOK	130	114	117P	123P	484	20	464	46
K. OSBORNE (MJ)	82	84P	66P	71	303	20	283	29
H. HOLMAN (MJ)	90	93P	80	79	342	10	332	33
D. HOLMAN (MJ)	60P	63	56	55	234	10	224	22
J. OSBORNE (MJ)	50	48	46	43	187	-	187	19
E. KORIN (MJ)	90P	96P	77P	77P	340	40	300	30
H. OSBORNE (J)	118P	109	91	82P	400	20	380	38
P. TOO	113	109P	104	99P	425	20	405	40
S. OSBORNE (L)	125	120	107	94	446	-	446	45
D. STEVENS	46P	65P	-	-	110	10	100	10
P. MOLLETT (J)	113P	101	90	88	392	10	382	38
C. OSBORNE (MJ)	79	90	74	62	305	-	305	31
T. D'ALONZO	117	133	108	119	477	-	477	48
P. D'ALONZO (L)	B/O	104P	71P	83P	258	30	228	22
G. BILDERSLEEVE (V)	132	136	110	114	492	10	482	48
T. HAYMAN (V)	117	120	100	107	444	-	444	45
D. GILBERT (V)	126P	139P	116	112	493	20	473	48
H. PARKER (V)	81	-	66	73	220	-	220	22

CROSS-WORD SOLUTION:

	1	2	3	4	5
1	S	H	A	L	L
2	H	E	L	L	O
3	A	L	L	A	Y
4	L	L	A	M	A
5	L	O	Y	A	L

CLUES:

1. Auxiliary verb,
2. Greeting,
3. Alleviate,
4. Animal,
5. Dependable

1	2	1	2	PTS	1	2	1	2	PTS	TOTAL	Inc. 10pts	Att H/Cap	ADD	TOTAL
11	11	15	15	52	-	8	1	5	14	123	133	5		138
-	-	-	10	10	-	6	-	3	9	57	67	70		137
-	19	16	8	43	8	7	0	7	22	118	128	5		133
15	18	6	7	46	-	10	4	8	22	113	123	10		133
9	17	12	11	49	0	8	5	2	15	119	129	Nil		129
-	-	18	-	18	-	9	-	-	9	52	62	60		122
17	16	-	12	45	9	5	-	5	19	111	121	Nil		121
-	9	-	14	23	-	-	-	-	-	51	61	60		121
17	14	7	11	49	-	8	4	2	14	99	109	10		119
-	16	15	9	40	-	2	4	3	9	92	102	10		112
-	19	6	-	25	2	8	-	10	20	91	101	10		111
-	-	-	-	0	-	7	5	-	12	41	51	60		111
-	-	9	-	9	3	9	5	-	17	59	69	40		109
-	6	4	-	10	-	2	-	3	5	37	47	60		107
6	-	-	-	6	-	-	3	5	8	33	43	60		103
-	7	5	3	15	-	-	8	-	8	53	63	40		103
-	3	-	17	20	-	-	-	-	0	58	68	30		98
-	-	-	2	2	6	-	-	-	6	48	58	40		98
11	10	-	-	21	0	9	0	2	11	77	87	10		97
-	-	-	-	10	-	-	-	-	0	10	20	70		90
-	-	-	-	0	-	1	-	3	4	42	52	35		87
-	13	-	-	13	-	2	-	-	2	46	56	55		111
7	16	8	-	31	3	7	-	4	14	93	103	Nil		103
-	11	4	-	15	5	-	4	-	9	46	56	10		66
10	11	-	3	24	-	6	-	10	16	88	98			98
2	11	10	17	40	-	-	1	4	5	90	100			100
7	-	-	9	16	5	-	-	-	5	69	79	25		104
-	18	-	15	33	-	-	-	9	9	64	74	70		144

RECORD CAST: Congratulations go to George Holman for setting a new State-Drycasting record using 112 grams weight. Distance Set was 172.4 metres.

In the state individual championship. The winner was Eric Parker Congratulations Eric. It was a popular win. Syd Whiting also broke the State 56 grams level line distance with a excellent cast of 169.8 metres. Congratulations Syd. Congratulations also goes to Heather Osborne for winning both the ladies and the juniors State Championships.

HANDICAP CHANGES:

G. Holman	Nil - 10
E. Parker	Nil - 10
P. Osborne	Nil - 10
S. Osborne	10 - 20
H.H. Hew	5 - Nil
L. Cook	No change
S. Renshaw	10 - Nil
T. D'Alonzo	Nil - 10
P. D'Alonzo	10 - 25
D. Gilbert	25 - 40
K. Osborne	60 - 55
J. Osborne	60 - 65
C. Osborne	55 - 50
H. Holman	60 - 65
D. Holman	60 - 65
H. Osborne	30 - 40
P. Mollett	35 - 55
B. Leicester	5 - Nil

OPEN S/H LEVEL LINE DISTANCE:

Name	1st cast	2nd cast	Total
G. Holman	77	80 1st	157
R. Parker	70	80 2nd	150
E. Korin	69	72 3rd	141
B. Leicester	69	68	137
G. Gildersleeve	67	60	137
P. Osborne	64	72	136
H.H. Hew	63	70	133
D. Gilbert	64	65	129
D. Stevens	55	57	112
S. Osborne	52	55	107
M. Korin	63	40	103
A. Stephenson	45	47	92
H. Holman	44	43	87
T. Hayman	-	70	70
L. Cook	-	60	60

 Next cast will be on 7th November, 112 grams 56 grams
 D/H and S/H Accuracy.

CASTING RESULTS 10.10.82;

Attendance: 16 seniors, 8 Juniors, 4 Visitors

L.L. DISTANCE 112 grams

1.	B. Leicester	31 pts
2.	E. Parker) G. Holman)	30 Pts
3.	H.H. Hew	25 pts

ART BAIT;

B. Leicester	26 Pts
H.H. Hew) G. Holman)	25 Pts
T. D'Alonzo	23 pts

D/H ACCURACY:

1.	B. Leicester	52 Pts
2.	G. Holman) E. Korin)	49 Pts
3.	S. Renshaw	46 Pts

S/H Accuracy:

H.H. Hew) S. Renshaw)	22 pts
L. Cook	20 pts
P. Osborne	19 pts

LONGEST CAST ART BAIT: Ric Parker 134 metres
 LONGEST CAST 112 GRAMS: G. Holman 169 Metres

Senior Winner: B. Leicester 138 Pts
 Handicap Winner: R. Francis 137 Pts
 Junior Winner: H. Osborne 68 Pts
 Mini Junior: H. Holman 69 Pts

SENIOR TOP TEN:

G. Holman	701
P. Osborne	690
B. Leicester	678
H.H. Hew	675
S. Whiting	658
R. Parker	607
L. Cook	592
G. Reeley	482
E. Korin	471
J. Lee	381

LADIES:

P. D'Alonzo	544
S. Osborne	483
N. Clifton	221

JUNIORS:

P. Mollett	381
H. Osborne	372

MINI JUNIORS:

C. Osborne	388
H. Holman	370
K. Osborne	331
J. Osborne	263

Drycasting 10.10.82

It seemed to be an excellent morning for casting with the wind behind us, but some of us seemed to miss the gust of wind for the extra few metres. George Holman got one away for a beautiful 169 metres (caught the wind at the right time).

Brain Leicester had an excellent day taking off 112 grams, artificial bait and double hand accuracy.

H.H. Hew and Stan Renshaw drew for the single hand accuracy with 22 pts.

Single hand level line was on for young and old. Line honours went to George Holman with 80 metres and 77 metres. Second was Rick Parker with 80 metres and 70 metres and Eddy Korin with 60 metres and 72 metres.

Laurie Cook waent satisfied with the distances so tried some javelin throwing with his rob and only managed to snap the tip of his rod.

My apologies Laurie for not entering your September casts in the Reel Talk.

D.C.O.

" THE RECREATIONAL ANGLER" (is he animal, vegetable, or mineral?)

Recreational Anglers are as different as Bulls and Cows. There are Males and Females, young ones, old ones, Keen ones, lazy ones, aggressive ones and those who, just stand and watch.

A lot of these anglers consider that the netting which is carried out by the professionals to be to their disadvantage while others consider that if you are good enough, any one can catch a fish regardless of all the netting carried out.

If we have the out look that to outlay so much money, they must catch fish to justify the cost of the equipment and the expence of getting to the venue. Some believe that they should be able to catch as many fish as they need to feed their families, but with the advent and ease and availability of Freezers some consider that they may fill them to the brim with fillets to satisfy their needs over a long period. This type of thinking will eventually lessen the species of a large number of fish.

Very few R- anglers catch the state bag limit they are allowed, however there are those who take more. Restrictions and limits are necessary and sensible to:

- a. Protect the stocks of good eating fish
- b. Ensure there is ample for everyone.

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Most R-Anglers lack the skills needed to catch huge amounts of fish as they only fish during their holiday periods, usually once a year. Some are "fun Fishermen" who enjoy getting their feet wet and dragging in lots of sea-weed, etc, just for enjoyment.

Of course there are the R-Anglers who join Fishing Clubs, and after a while consider themselves to be experts in the art of angling. Possibly it is these said experts who have the power to exploit the resource and lessen the fish numbers, but those who are members of these clubs would quickly point out that all clubs restrict large captures of important species by applying their own bag-limits. If these people were an irresponsible lot, then there would be cause to worry.

After a while these said club members settle down to enjoy their fishing and in lots of cases they end up simply fishing for the sport, for they have learned over the many years to respect a good fighting fish. After catching these fish they release them so they may fight another day.

Editor

SOCIAL NEWS:

The christmas party this year will again follow the field day, Sunday 12th December at the Osbornes Villa. We will again be visited by Father Christmas, and those parents who will be attending may provide Father Christmas with a present for their children to the value of no more than \$5.00 Please wrap and place the childs name on the parcel, clearly.

Henry Bester has agreed to attend, to provide the children and the parents, with some special magic. Henry will be available to perform between 5.00 - 5.30 pm So turn up and enjoy his talents. "Enjoyment Guaranteed".

The December General Meeting will be our Christmas Social get-to-gether, so, to make it a success please bring a plate of goodies. The drinks will be on the house.

"PLEASE RETURN THE BEER TICKET BUTTS AND MONEY AT THE
NEXT GENERAL MEETING"

Members are requested to attend a "Sundowner" being held by the A.A.A. of W.A. To present, our club member, Brian Leicester with the "Angler of the Year" award. This function will be held on the 27th of November at 4,00 pm at the Nollamara Community Centre. B.B.Q. (B.Y.O.M.) & Salad = drinks provided.

Brian has also been nominated for the "Sports Star of the Year" and will be invited to attend a presentation evening at the Sheraton Hotel in Due Course.

P. Osborne
President.

"WHY LOSE THOSE BIG FISH"

1. By using the wrong gear and faulty and unbalanced gear. This means a continual check must be made, on all an anglers equipment particularly the Rod, Reel and Lines and Hooks, Rod runners and Tips. By keeping your equipment in first class condition you can hope to catch your fish without trouble.
2. Nylon lines have been manufactured to stand a great deal of strain and abuse and do not require a great deal of attention but, they should occasionally be unwound and washed in fresh water and examined for any flaws which may develop. The low price of present day lines in relation to the work they perform makes their replacement preferable to losing a fish. Nylon lines have remarkable stretchability but if continually stretched until they break they have not the Elasticity to completely regain their original diameter, In time this results in loss of the lines potential breaking strain and a lure will break without being subjected to any great strain. I find that this weakness seems to invariably develop in the vicinity of where the line is tied to the hooks, and it is a good idea when trying on your hooks to test the line and dispense with any line which seems to be faulty. Hooks should be sharp and if rusty discarded. If you are using ganged hooks pay complete attention to see that your hooks are secure and not liable to come apart while playing a fish, finally a word on losing fish due to trying of line on rocks and hooks beeten off by sharks. Most anglers do not favour the use of wire owing to kinking, but

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I find if the wire is covered with plastic it will remain pliable and not kink. I have lost many big fish up north by not paying attention to this article I have written.

Bert Panther Payne

DO YOU KNOW THAT:

A fish's sense of smell is far keener than its eyesight and superior to that of a dog. This has been established by the study of the shape and composition of the brains of fish,
A Take: By Crosbee Morreson

Every Salmon whether it weighs 4 or 40 lbs carries a full and accurate life history on its scales. From them the expert can tell when it was born how long it remained in the river before migrating to the sea the length of time it spent in saltwater and whether it has spawned or not.
Taken from the GAME FISH OF THE WORLD by: Major K. Dawson.

No less than eight species of Salmon are found in American Waters some up to 125 lbs in weight have been taken.
By; Dan Holland

The salmon on the real Salmon no Australian so called Salmon by our early settlers from England because they looked like Salmon to them.

Panther Payne.

More articles in the next edition.

STEEP POINT AGAIN:

Our club has given this area a pretty good raking over. The latest invaders, John Reeley, Tony Richardson and myself.

This trip was so incredible that I can only tell the story in part. Reputations must be protected. You may hear some hair raising tales. Take no notice - Sure to be the figment of some warped imagination.

Let us begin at the beginning.
John's place. There was the gear, enough to fill a 3 ton truck, let alone Graham's Nissen "Wont get it in" I muttered to myself. Just as well I kept quiet John got it in.

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Then his wife asked why all the cartons of cans, John had that one sewn up, they were the base for the relief drivers bed, besides there is no fresh water at steep point. Didn't quite catch the reply.. Don't think it was humorous.

Tony turned up after work and we left about 1830 thursday. Four wheel drives are a mystery to me so I was given a Job. Sit there, keep your eyes open and talk, keep the drivers awake.

Those Driver change overs ! You wouldn't read about it in "Prix" Crawling through the cab rear window is not the easiest thing to anyone who is slightly overweight.

Here's the "Overlander" you old coot are you still awake ! Course I am, must see Pickaninny Dawn" on the Nor'west - coast My eyes were like two burnt holes in a blanket. Well one was anyway.

I thought we were nearly there. Very quickly disillusioned with the comment slow down granpa, an other five hours might see you looking at Steep Point.

That Useless Loop Set up is quite a performance. The town manager had nicked off somewhere and took his time coming back. However we gained free bickies and coffee at the canteen whilst waiting.

We were getting impatient. The town manager turned up and quickly relieved us of a goodly sum. Quite a thriving business, specially printed forms and all. Noticed quite a few free loaders on the list, special mates I suppose.

In exchange for the cash we received a key and a nicely printed permit. When Tony asked how many were at the point he was told the last came out that morning. O.K., on our way

The Gate! No padlock and very little chain - we never did find out who had the bolt cutters.

John, the negotiator of those sand tracks let down the tyres on the causeway and with considerable expertise delivered us to Steep Point.

Look at !em! the world and his dog were there. Pay or no pay there they were. We felt a bit soured off. "Last one out that morning" my foot.

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Camp set up, fishermen checked out, fishing stories not very encouraging.

Tony and John ballooned to no effect. Nothing on the cliffs so around to the Gibbon Hole (why do they call it that ?) John scored first with a Nor'wester but that was it, that place is a bit hairy for a bloke like me.

Nothing doing opposite our camp, so another bash at the Gibbon Hole. Not me, too hard. I fished the cliff. Even went to the coral beach for a cast, no good, but had a wash. The water was remarkably cold.

Back from the Gibbon Hole with a few Snapper, But it cost in rigs.

Another go at the cliffs. I'd been sitting there feeding mulies to all the rubbish fish. Then a hit, John ran over, but only a Nor'wester. Then a Big bang. What a leaden stubborn thing it was. At times I thought i was hooked into the rock. Then he'd share his head, still there. John finally gaffed him. Bald chin 3.5 Kilo.

The odd fish between us as dusk fell. Then Tony went into action with some big bull of a thing. A Samson. I cant remember if we weighed it - would have been 10 kg among Johns fish a really nice snapper which be brought back whole.

Then the Big Beast hit me, Tony was Right over advising and instructing. Yelling for John and the Gaff they got to work on the fish. Another Samson 10.5 kg . Tony had said they'd get me a game fish - they did - thanks fellers.

Two great Blokes. Looked after me like a baby, taught me, helped me. What greater friends can you have.

The weather turned awkward the last day, we got wet in more ways than one, but it cleared, so we packed up dry next morning.

The trip home was uneventful. There was an anti climax. After all those trouble free miles, John Bugged my car in his drive.

A fishing epic in my life due to the consideration and instruction from Tony & John which would not have happened had I not joined Surfcasters.

Thanks Everyone

Alan S.

P.S. It is noteworthy that on the way out we were checked by the Sharkbay Policeman. He was there at the Keowest of the company. A company Employee appeared to be taking some action against a camper.