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CLUB ETIQUETTE

MEETINGS

The monthly GENERAL MEETING is usually held on the second Wednesday of each month at 8pm. All members should endeavour to attend the meeting so as to keep up with club matters.

DRYCASTING

Casting is usually conducted on the first Sunday of each month. Instruction is given to all new members and a competition is conducted to improve and maintain the standard of our members casting.

FIELD DAYS

These normally follow each general meeting on the ensuing weekend. It is compulsory for anglers to attend both the sign-on and the weigh-in. Anglers who cannot attend the sign-on for work or other unavoidable reasons may make prior arrangements for a late sign-on. However, only under very exceptional circumstances will failure to attend weigh-ins not be penalised with the loss of points acquired during that field day.

It is the Field Day Officer's duty to inform the committee of any anglers who fail to attend the weigh-in. It is the committee's duty to decide what action is to be taken.

Disputes may be taken to the committee.

Entries for Game Fish Badge, Club Records and Open Fishing Competitions must be lodged with the Recorder within 30 days of capture.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Please notify the Treasurer and Reel Talk Editor of any change of address or phone number.

GENERAL ETIQUETTE

If you intend to resign from the club a letter of resignation should be forwarded to the Secretary. Please assist the Treasurer by paying your subscription with-in 28 days of the Annual General Meeting. Arrears of 3 consecutive months may cause forfeiture of membership.

CLUB ACTIVITIES

APRIL GENERAL MEETING

- WHERE - St KIERANS CATHOLIC CHURCH, Cnr Cape Street and Tyler Street, TUART HILL
 WHEN - WEDNESDAY, 14th April, 8.00 pm.

APRIL DRYCASTING DAY

- WHERE - YOKINE RESERVE
 WHEN - SUNDAY, 3rd April 1993, 8.30 am
 EVENTS - 112 gram Level Line D/H Accuracy
 112 gram Artificial Bait S/H Accuracy
 Let's see a better roll up of members at this event. Make the effort and come along. You will enjoy yourself and also learn something.

APRIL FIELD DAY:

- WHERE - ESPERANCE
 WHEN - Times set for State Championships
 SIGN ON - Prior to start of State Championships
 WEIGH IN - Immediately after State Championships weigh-in.
 * Fish will have to be gutted and gilled as per normal club rules.

APRIL LOCAL FIELD DAY:

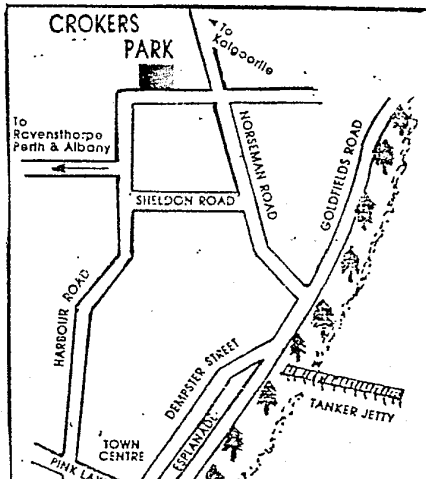
- WHEN - 10th & 11th April
 SIGN ON - Phone in to the FDO by 8.00pm on the Friday night.
 LINES DOWN - 1.00 pm on the Saturday.
 LINES UP - 11.00 am on the Sunday
 WEIGH IN - By 12.00 am on the Sunday at G. Holman's house. Scales will be available on his back patio. Weights must be witnessed by an adult. Results to be phoned in to the FDO by 8.00 pm that night.
 BOUNDARIES - Cockburn Sound to Mindarie Keys.
 F.D. MONEY * To be left at scales in envelope with members name or no points will be awarded.

MEMBERS MEETING PLACE AT ESPERANCE
EASTER WEEKEND 9 April - 12 April inclusive

Meeting place to be at - CROKERS PARK HOLIDAY RESORT
 HARBOUR ROAD
 ESPERANCE
 PHONE: 090 714100

See Map

PLEASE PHONE WHEN ARRIVING IN ESPERANCE TO CONFIRM MEETING PLACE AND TIME FOR CLUB EVENT.



PRESIDENTS REPORT

General meeting of the 10th of March 1993 effectively saw the resolving of the primary objectives of the club for this current year being:

- * Recruiting Sub-Committee formed, comprised of four non committee persons and two committee persons.
Andy Thorgerson, Dirk Fitzsimmons, Trevor Stam
Bob Henderson, Ian Cook, Derry Barber.

Thank you for your support, to both the sub-committee members and all club members, as the buddy system will involve all of us as soon as the new recruits are introduced.

THE BUDDY SYSTEM

- * Two established members assigned to each new member.
- * Each established member to sit with new member during at least one general meeting and either take, or ask new member to follow in his own vehicle, on at least one field day.
- * To either accompany, or arrange through the drycasting officer, for the new member to attend at least one morning at drycasting.
- * To ascertain knowledge of fishing and casting and to arrange a time with new member to discuss fishing gear required and complete with member say six or seven rigs, explaining knots and ensuring that the new member, whilst you are present, makes up those rigs confirming that the skill has been acquired. Further arrangements made as and if appropriate.

COMMENT:

- ** Be helpful, give encouragement, and show genuine interest in the new member as a person, as new members are the lifeblood of the club and will be our future.

SOCIAL EVENTS: Sunday 8th of August

Sunday 8th of August 1993 - Bill Mills Blue Water Charters - 6.30am from Hillarys Marina to 4.30pm. \$55 per member with two competitions whilst on boat at \$5 each per competition for, 1) The biggest fish and 2) the biggest Whiting on the way back with 50% of the pool going to the club. Deposit of \$15 required. Please attend to same at next meeting on Wednesday 14th of April.

ATTENDEES: * J. & B Reeley * D Halton * P Osborne
* D Barber * M Philpot * H Hodgson * G Holman
* A Thorgerson * I Pilton * B Henderson (2)

QUIZ NIGHT

The Big Fundraiser and Family Social Event Quiz Night at Underwater World at Hillarys on Saturday the 24th of July 1993 with \$1000 plus of prizes.

As resolved at the general meeting on Wednesday 10th of March 1993, the members do not wish to cover the current shortfall between club overhead and current membership fees by any other method than fund raising through club social events.

"SUPPORT THIS EVENT & LET US TOGETHER WITH OUR FRIENDS ENJOY A GREAT FUN NIGHT AT A UNIQUE VENUE & RAISE THE FUNDS THE CLUB NEEDS"

AIM: For each club member to raise a table of six -
"Simply ask two other couples."

We need a minimum of 70 attendees and preferably 100 plus, to ensure that this event will provide the funds required. "Remember the club could lose money unless we obtain the numbers. Give this event your full support."

Cost of \$10 per adult & \$5 per child.

Can view the Underwater World complex from 6pm at no additional cost - a saving of \$13.50 per Adult!

Deposit required of \$5 per attendee. Please bring in your deposit of \$30 per table, or \$5 each for friends and self to date at next meeting on Wednesday 14th April.

New Field Days venue selections are now well in hand for the coming season and will be further ratified at the committee meeting with decision being decided upon at the April meeting on the 14th.

A special thank you to Bob Henderson for his generous offer to hold a field day in the general Yanchep area, staying at his property and enjoying a BYO barbecue and weigh-in at Bob's home to finish off what promises to be a fun trip and excellent comradeship which is one of the aims of the club.

TO ALL MEMBERS:

Thank you for your patience at the last two general meetings. We have covered a lot of ground and all matters are now (as much as possible) resolved.

"WE ARE SET FOR A GREAT FUN 1993"

PROPOSED LIST OF FIELD DAYS FOR 1993 -1994

MAY	15th-16th	ROTTNEST
JUNE	5th- 7th <u>LWE</u>	WAGOE - KALBARRI
JULY	17th	YANCHEP Area. ONE DAY EVENT. Bob Henderson has kindly made his home available for a barbecue after the field day. 107 St Andrews Drive, Yanchep.
AUGUST	14th-15th	ROTTNEST or MARGARET RIVER Area
SEPTEMBER	2nd- 4th <u>LWE</u> (October)	FLINDERS BAY (Emu Springs) or GREENOUGH
OCTOBER	16th-17th	YANCHEP / DEWARS / GUILDERTON
NOVEMBER	13th-14th	WEDGE ISLAND
DECEMBER	11th-12th	WHITE HILLS - PRESTON
JANUARY	8th- 9th	MANDURAH 500
FEBRUARY	12th-13th	HILL RIVER
MARCH	12th-13th <u>LWE</u>	BLUFF CREEK or REEF BEACH
APRIL	16th-17th	LOCAL will be an open or field on the Easter weekend.

ANNUAL TRIP MACKERAL ISLANDS

Two cabins have been pencilled in from the 18th-25th APRIL (on moon and tides). Facilities, options, costs, transport etc will be looked at and further information will be given when available.

Cost inclusive of food, boat, bait, accommodation for a week would be about \$500. We will be looking at transport to and from Onslow.

Ten members have indicated they will be going at present.

THIS WILL BE A FABULOUS TRIP SO DO SOME FORWARD THINKING AND PLANNING.

LOCAL FIELD DAYS WILL APPLY TO ALL MONTHS EXCEPT

JULY OCTOBER JANUARY APRIL

**** BOTTLES & CANS ****

Members are asked to bring any spare cool drink bottles along to either the Drycasting or General Meetings as well as Aluminium cans. Malcolm Head is looking after the cans and Andi Thorgensen knows just what to do with the bottles.

We thank them for their endeavours on behalf of our club!!

BLUFF CREEK via "TIMBER TRAIL"

Having been a member for one meeting of the SC&AC I was lent a "Reel Talk" and on seeing "Bluff Creek" I looked for it on the map, it being approx 70 kms from Albany. The point was raised - it ain't down the road to Bluff Creek, but down Warriup Road for about 18 kms then take a small poorly defined track to your right. Me, the Pom, said to myself 'this is where I get lost forever, it's only a long weekend and I ain't got a G.P.S'. Then at last a member came up with a good idea for the Lad, "what I'll do is make a big sign then he won't miss the turning - I hope".

"Will I get my Tojo 80 scratched?" was my next question. "Of course you will" was the full cry.

I did find the track on the Saturday morning at 8.30 am, then it took me 3 1/2 hrs cutting a way down the track...also losing my specs at the same time!

When I came to the end of the track I came across a building and thought 'nobody mentioned a Motel without a front and mattresses laid on the floor'. Taking a closer look a couple sat up and said "can we help you?" I said "I am looking for a fishing party but the track ends here." "That's right" he said. "Drop down that slope into the stream and follow it around." "Will I not sink?" "Yes, if your Tojo is around 10 tons." "Thanks" I said. "If you find a pair of specs on the track, they're mine."

I drove into the fishing camp just before sign on time, with enough time to warm a tin of soup. George Holman said when he was departing for the fishing grounds, "Harold, let down your tyres to 14 lbs. What pressure have you got in at the moment?" "40 back and 35 front" I replied. "See you on the beach."

George saw me on the beach after 2 hours bogged down until other lads pulled me out with my snatchem strap. I then managed to catch one small fish. My bait would not stay on the hooks so I cut up the fish - No luck! At 5.00 pm I went back to the camp and set up my bed in the Tojo. Four slices of toast and one cup-a-soup I thought, 'this is living.'

Mal shouted across to me, "Come over here near the fire. In that pot is a leg of lamb." "Can I have it?" "Not all of it...When we have dined you can pick the bone, but after you have cleaned our transport for us." I'm only joking, it was a good meal, better than toast, then to bed.

Sunday, George came across to me and said, "Harold, today you are going to catch some fish, even if I have to dive in and hook them on for you. Meet me on the beach later on, when this haze clears." I thought, 'It's as clear as a bell.'

True to his word, George did what he said. He made me a new rig, gave me bait (plenty), taught me how to hold the rod and reel and how to cast, way, way out. Bang! Fish every cast...what a thrill. Bye Bye Blues. Thanks George for that good advice and to all the members it was great for a good two days. Time was running out for my stay, I had to be back at Cheyne Beach Caravan Park by Sunday tea time (my wife was staying there).

When I was leaving I said to the lads, "Well, I am leaving. Not that I have to, but with catching so many it would not be fair on you if I, being a Pom, took away the first prize. So I think I'll give it away!"

You are a great bunch of Lads.

Harold the "POM"

P.S. What an experience!! "THANKS" to you all.

FEBRUARY/MARCH KALBARRI REPORT

Hi Folks! Bob again.

Not many fish were caught at the beginning of the month as a strong wind off shore early morning and extra strong easterly breeze in the afternoon, drops by dark around 8 o'clock - too late for the tailor. Brad Giles bagged a 14.5 kg Mulloway on the 7th of Feb and Mark the Mechanic from the Mobil Garage bagged another at Whittacarra Ck (the other at Chinamans) both identical weight. Three were caught the next night at Whittacarra, also the same weight.

Nothing was heard about any more fish because everyone and everything was put towards the opening of the crayfish season - out on the "bank" which is about 23 nautical mile North West of here. The river was practically empty of boats before but all of a sudden 60 were at anchor in the river and 22 more at Rainbow Bay and the Bluff and there were trucks, rope, floats and pots anywhere and everywhere. After 3 days of this the crayfish started to arrive and seems like plenty of them, the best nights catch is 81 bags. The best 2 night stay out catch is 201 bags.

Most boats have pulled their pots and headed for the Abrolhos Islands and have left the rest to the locals. Once they had finished with the beaches (such as ropes and floats) we returned to the fishing. A couple of 1 lb Tailor at the creek and that was it. One bloke the night before used a full block of mulies for 6 Tailor (choppers), the blowies in the river seem to have buzzed off now and the big fat Whiting have arrived - so up the Tailor! With the wind having now subsided the fishing is pleasant and a 4ft Bronze was landed at the creek on the 17th, a 45 kg Mulloway at Chinamans at 3.00 am on the 19th, and one was lost because of no gaff! The Kalbarri Classic has just finished after 4 days at the long weekend and there was no lack of fish. A couple of records on light line are to be claimed and besides the Spanish Mackerel there were three large sharks caught, largest being a 69.7 kg Hammerhead. I went to two weigh-ins and could not go again because I was developing a small jealous streak.

The event was saddened by the loss of the Hotel Keeper's son, Jamie Stewart, who was (as you probably know) lost at sea. The boat he was in (a wet liner) was fishing off the Bank, lights on and at anchor. The other boat, which T-Boned it, was put on automatic pilot 2 hours 30 minutes before. A pure fluke - I will not comment on the rights or wrongs - but will say he didn't have a chance. The boat entered at his bunk below the wheel house and out the other side. The young fellow next to him told my daughter that he woke up drowning and the skipper finished under some ply 2 metres under. Just as well, for the screw of the boat had chewed up the other side. The score marks were horrific as the wreck is displayed down by the jetty. As it went through it also took out the front bow snapping it off completely.

Well, sorry I missed the Bluff Creek run, but we hope all went well and you caught plenty. Margaret and I wish to thank all those people who sent us kind regards during and after our big shift and you all know where to find us - c/o Post Office.

Bye for now, Bob.

P.S. I limit myself to 2 fresh crays a week !!

DINNER-DANCE 26th JUNE

MARCH DRYCASTING

It was good to see a large turn out for the March drycasting. We had a total of 16 bodies, 3 of these look like potential new members.

The tin hat brigade were out in force on Sunday. Mal hit the hat at approximately 60 mt in D/HA with John and Garry with solid 24 point scores and John showing us how it's done at S/HA on the short with a 10. Looks like the hats may require a new coat of paint if this keeps up!!

"Accuracy", you may say - "Big Deal! When I am down at the beach it really does not make a lot of difference!"

You would be very wrong! For all club members who think that drycasting has no real attraction, by coming and having a go. I will guarantee you will, on every field day, increase your chances of catching fish.

I would say from my experience by at least 50-60% as an example at Bluff Creek. "Yes, we all got our bag limits", you may say. But how long did this take for some of the club members? I bet twice as long as others....Reason: Accuracy!

Think about this as an example. Dirk, Darryl and myself were fishing close to a piece of reef that was only approx 3 mt in length and 1/2 mt in width. Dirk and Darryl were fishing the left hand side about 10 mt from the reef. They both moved to the right hand side about the same distance from the reef. I moved in where they had been on the left hand side and lobbed my bait right on the left hand corner of the reef. First cast - D/Head Whiting. Next

MARCH DRYCASTING

DATE: 7/3/92	112 GRAM			56 GRAM			D/H	S/H	DAY
NAME	1	2	TOTAL	1	2	TOTAL	ACC	ACC	TOTAL
G Holman	147	143	29	122	119	24	108	24	185
E Parker	124	120	24	104	101	20	84	28	156
R Thorpe	112	-	11	93	101	19	111	12	153
M Head	101	102	20	84	81	16	79	23	138
J Strong	98	87	18	77	76	15	87	12	132
J Reeley	-	110	10	-	98	10	81	27	128
R Thompson	102	98	20	83	-	8	58	21	107
H Hodgson	-	44	4	60	65	12	55	11	82
A Thorgasen	76	71	1	-	69	7	19	7	34
T Stam	78	78	16	-	71	7	24	16	63
<u>Visitors</u>									
G Gildersleeve	-	132	13	114	115	23	141	16	193
D Morton	46	-	5	52	-	5	-	-	10
D Ward	61	64	12	-	-	-	-	-	12
E Morton	-	-	-	64	65	13	-	-	13
<u>Junior</u>									
D Fitzsimmons	111	108	12	-	-	-	93	26	131
B Reeley	100	-	10	40p	-	3	81	10	104

112 Gram Winner:	E. Parker	24 Pts
Artificial Bait Winner:		
56 Gram Winner:	E. Parker	20 Pts
D/H Accuracy Winner:	R. Thorpe	111 Pts
S/H Accuracy Winner:	E. Parker	28 Pts
112 Gram Open Winner:		
S/H Open Distance Winner:		
Winner of the Day:	E. Parker	156 Pts
Junior Winner:	D. Fitzsimmons	131 Pts

cast was off 2 mt to the left of this point - No Bites! Next cast in the first spot - 2 Skippy. I thought this may just be luck so I tried about 2 mt out - No Luck. Back to the spot at the corner of the reef - Whiting & Herring. Next cast - 2 Skippy. Next cast - Herring & Skippy. Next cast - 2 Skippy and so on. A small hole had formed at the base of the reef on the left only about 60 mt from the shore. The only reason that I had all these fish in my bag and not still swimming around was, you guessed it, Accuracy. I could not have done this if I had not gone to drycasting. I may have managed to catch my bag limit on the field day but I did this in half the time. In doing so it left me a lot more time to spend trying different baits and styles to go for different species, which in the end gives you a lot more points and time to enjoy your surroundings and the company of your mates. I would still only be catching very little if it was not for going to drycasting. Darryl and Dirk did catch fish at this spot, but when we emptied our bags I had twice as many fish and 3 species.

Regards, Mark Philpot

AUSTRALIAN ANGLERS ASSOCIATION

(WA Division Inc) PO Box 375 SUBIACO WA 6008

1992/93 State Beach & Rock Fishing Championships

Hosted by Esperance Surfcasters Club

DATE : 10th and 11th April 1993
 FEES : \$10 Adults, \$5 Juniors, \$5 Minis and Vets
 VENUE : Esperance
 BOUNDARIES : Quagi (Farrells Road) to Cape Arid
 OUT OF BOUNDS : Offshore Islands
 Bandy Creek (up stream from weir)
 REGISTRATION AND : Esperance Lime Supply
 WEIGH IN PLACE : Norseman Road, Esperance.
 REGISTRATIONS : 9am to 12 noon Saturday 10th April
 Briefing will be by Rules of Day Sheet at
 Registration.
 LINES DOWN : 2.00 pm Saturday 10th April
 LINES UP : 10.30 am Sunday 11th April
 WEIGH IN : 11.30 am Sunday 11th April
 TROPHIES FOR : Skipjack Trevally Flathead
 HEAVIEST : Fish caught with spinner Mulloway
 Scale fish Shark
 Surprise weight Whiting
 Meritorious Award
 Heaviest Incentive Fish (Tailor)

NOTES: A 20cm minimum size will apply to all fish not covered by State minimum sizes.
 Existing State and AAA bag limits will apply (40 of all species not covered by State limits)
 All fish must exceed legal minimum lengths. Any competitor weighing in undersize fish will be disqualified.
 Any competitor who presents for weighing more fish than the State bag limits will be disqualified.
 In the interests of fish conservation - for all AAA competitions the bag limit shall be one days State bag limit.
 Competitors must be affiliated with the Australian Anglers Association.

FIELD DAY COMPETITION
1992/93

SECTION.

MARCH

1) HEAVIEST SCALE FISH (1st 6mths)	- S Reeley M/J	SALMON	4.55 kg
2) HEAVIEST SCALE FISH (2nd 6mths)	-		
3) MOST MERITORIOUS FISH	-		
4) HEAVIEST SHARK (4.5kg min)	-		
5) HEAVIEST MULLOWAY (1kg min)	- J Reeley		4.25 kg
6) HEAVIEST TAILOR (1kg min)	-		
7) HEAVIEST SALMON (3kg min)	- S Reeley M/J		4.55 kg
8) HEAVIEST TREVALLY (1kg min)	-		
9) HEAVIEST MACKEREL	- I Cook		0.52 kg
10) HEAVIEST BAG - SCALE FISH	- J Reeley		15.00 kg
11) HEAVIEST BAG - MULLOWAY	- J Reeley		4.25 kg
12) HEAVIEST BAG - TAILOR	- P Booth		2.68 kg
13) HEAVIEST SCALE FISH S/H ROD - 4kg b/s Line max	-		
14) HEAVIEST SCALE FISH 2kg min - Other Than Sect 3 - 9, & 13	-		

OPEN COMPETITION 1992/93

- 1) MOST MERITORIOUS FISH
- 2) HEAVIEST SHARK - (4.5kg min)
I Cook, 30.00 kg, Bait - Wrasse, Line 40lb, False Entrance.
- 3) HEAVIEST MULLOWAY - (3.0kg min)
M White, 10.00 kg, 4oz sinker, Mulie 3/50 rig, 35 Vo line,
False Entrance.
- 4) HEAVIEST SALMON - (3.0kg Min)
I Cook, 3.80 kg, Mulie, 3.91 Pretest line.
- 5) HEAVIEST DHUFISH
- 6) HEAVIEST TAILOR - (1.0kg min)
- 7) HEAVIEST SAMSON FISH
- 8) HEAVIEST SCALE FISH - S/H Rod (4kg or 9lb line max)
I Cook, 4.50 kg Snapper, Blue bait, 3.9 kg line,
Causeway, Shark Bay.
- 9) HEAVIEST PINK SNAPPER
I Cook, 4.50 kg, Blue Bait, 3.9 kg line, Causeway, Shark Bay.
- 10) HEAVIEST TARWHINE - (Silver Bream)
- 11) HEAVIEST MACKEREL
F Sutton, 16.8 kg Spanish Mackerel, Balloon rig, 18 kg line,
Steep Point.
- 12) HEAVIEST TREVALLY - (Southern 1.0kg min)
- 13) HEAVIEST TREVALLY - (Northern 1.0kg min)
- 14) HEAVIEST SNOOK/PIKE
- 15) HEAVIEST SCALE FISH - Other Than Sections 2-14 (2.0kg min)

DON'T FORGET...

~ CLUB DRYCASTING ~

SUNDAY 3rd APRIL