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Life Members of the Club

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

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Minutes of General Meeting, 9 January 2008

Venue:

Coolbinia West Perth Amateur Football and Sporting Club Room.

Time:

2000 hrs

President:

Malcolm Harris

Present:

29 members, 2 Visitors

Apologies:

Tino Baiardo, Ian Cook and David Maxted

Visitors:

Nigel Lowery and Lea Taylor, each visitor gave a brief summary of themselves and their interests.

New Members:

None was present to be welcomed into the club.

Two New Member Applications received this Month, Mike Traynier and Lea Taylor

Previous Minutes:

As published in the Reel Talk. **Moved** Vix Alexander **Seconded** Jim Strong, these are a true record. Carried.

Previous Committee:

Mal Harris gave a summary from the previous Committee meeting.

Vix had a slight problem with a tenant on the Kalbarri booking over the School Holidays Field days away to be updated ASAP.

Vix & John picked up several items from Andrew Aubrey's Workshop and transported them to Morris Kolman's Workshop. Thank you very much, Morris, for storing our documents.

John Crompton spoke with John Curtis to arrange for an instruction period date to be advised.

Ian is updating the State/National records over the past eight years.

Vix spoke about another instruction period on fish filleting for the new members.

Deposits required for Steep Point Safari, a meeting to be held later on tonight

Correspondence In:

Westpac Bank	Statement for December
R&D White Accountants	Summary of the tax return
Water Board Account	Water Rates – Kalbarri House
Marcia Pekaar	Reel Talk Account
Mark Hansen	December 2007 Field Day Collections
David Snook	Deposit Kalbarri for November 2008
Synergy	Electricity Account Kalbarri
Ray White Statement	Kalbarri House

Correspondence Out:

Sid Bignell	Yokine Reserve – Storage Space Info about the club (email)
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Emails:

Shire of Mundaring	Update of Contact Details
Beth Sinclair	A request to link to our website - Refer to Committee
Gerard Knock	Wanting to copy our website - Refer to Committee
George Bowcock	Information on Club

Out Visit: Vix & John

Collect Items from Andrew Aubrey's Work shop. Transported to Morris Kolman's Work shop for Storage

Moved - Peter Stoeckel, **Seconded** - Allan Jones correspondence be accepted - carried.

Treasurer's Report:

Sandra Wessels thanked John for assisting with the Treasurer's duties during her absence. It was requested that all figures as printed in the January 2008 Reel Talk be **ignored and replaced** with the following:

Bank Balance:

\$ 11,830.05 as at 31/12/07

Monies Received:

P Pekaar Drycasting Nov 07	\$ 146.00
P Pekaar Drycasting Dec 07	\$ 201.00
P Pekaar Sausage Sizzle	\$ 47.00
T Stam Membership 07/08	\$ 55.00
S Maloney Pro-rata Membership	\$ 47.50
M Harris deposit – Rotto 08	\$ 100.00
M Hansen Yanchep Field Day	\$ 106.00
M Head Can Money	\$ 60.00
P Wessels Deposit – Rotto 08	\$ 80.00
I Taggart Deposit – Rotto 08	\$ 100.00
D Snook Deposit – Kalbarri House	\$ 50.00
R Hicks pro-rata Membership 07/08	\$ 55.40
H Markus pro-rata Membership 07/08	\$ 55.50
L Taylor Nomination Fee	\$ 10.00
M Traynier Nomination Fee	\$ 10.00
Ray White Kalbarri Rent Nov/Dec	\$ 1,525.00

Accounts to be Paid:

M Pekaar Reel Talk Dec/Jan	\$ 583.76
J Crompton Stationery Float	\$ 50.00
R & D White Account Fee June 2007	\$ 473.00
Water Corp Kalbarri Aug - 10 Dec	\$ 26.15
Synergy Kalbarri House Oct to Dec	\$ 138.05
Ray White Cleaning Management etc	\$ 413.11

Sandra also mentioned that the raffle monies/paperwork collected for the November, December and January Meetings had not yet been handed in by Peter Stoeckel – once this has been done it would be reported in the Treasurer's report.

Moved Jim Strong **Seconded** J Crompton accounts be passed for payment - carried.

Property Officer:

Vix gave a summary to the Visitors on the Kalbarri House, its location & facilities etc.
 Vix explained of the problem with a tenant on the Kalbarri Booking over the School Holidays
 Vix Alexander reported on two New Awning cost is \$300 - \$ 580 per window, approx \$700.00 for two if we install it ourselves.
 Ian Taggart recommended David Snook to the Kalbarri Property Rental

Secretary's Report:

Topics are covered elsewhere.

Dry Casting Officer:

See Dry Casting Report.

Field Day Officer:

13 members came to the Yanchep to Seabird Field Day Event, it was easy fishing and the conditions were very wet. Three species were caught: Whiting Herring and Tailor. Melvin caught a Sting Ray; a couple of vehicles were bogged down.

Peet thanked Mark Hansen for acting in his place.

A Local Field Day event this weekend, all members to pay their dues at George's House at the weigh-in on Sunday leave your money in an envelope

Website:

All up to date, a couple more Photo Albums added to the Website, keep your photos coming in to Peet.

AAA Report:

State Dry Casting to be adjusted by John Curtis, there was a mix up on the day of casting with quite a few changes being done on the day.

Recorder:

Not present - an apology given.

Social Organiser:

A new raffle prize of a Gasmate Single Burner and Two Cartridges will be raffled tonight.

Reel Talk Editor:

Not a great deal to report. Any changes please email Marcia. All reports required by the weekend following the Committee meeting.

Recfishwest:

Members now tallied at 1087. Several Members have joined from our Club

17th December 2007, the Raffle of 10 prizes were drawn by Recfishwest

Nothing much going on due to the Christmas holidays

Notices of Motion:

None.

General Business:

Mal Head suggests that the Constitution should be checked on Safety of Juniors scoring on the Drycasting Field.

Peter Pekaar says that no one wants to score on the field, it has been suggested that a Roster be drawn up so that all Members take their turn in Scoring

Peter Pekaar asks if persons coming from the East are able to join in the State Drycasting Championships and was told that any person joining must be a Member of a Fishing Club

Vix talks about a program on Saturday Morning fishing WA, on Radio ABC 7.20 at 0530 hrs and John Curtis comes on at 0600 hrs for a further hour, general discussion on fishing.

Instruction Period:

February - Steep Point, by Ian Cook

Raffle Prize:

Won by Allan Jones

Meeting Closed: 2120 hrs

Reel Talk February 2008

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.

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

2008 Field Day Dates, Venues and Boundaries

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

Dates	Venue	Boundaries and more details
16-17 February 2008	Cervantes	Cervantes to Sandy Cape
1-3 March 2008	Bluff Creek	Bluff Creek
25-27 April 2008	S-Bend	See Field Day Officer

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

Sunday, 3 February 2008	Sunday, 9 March 2008
Sunday, 6 April 2008	4 May 2008

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

Wednesday, 13 February 2008	Wednesday, 12 March 2008
Wednesday, 9 April 2008	Wednesday, 14 May

ROTTNEST FIELD DAY REMINDER

There are now only **FOUR** places available for the May weekend and only **TWO** places for the August weekend.

COMING FIELD DAY EVENTS FOR FEBRUARY & MARCH 2008

FIELD DAY VENUE **CERVANTES**
WHEN 16 – 17 February 2008
SIGN ON Saturday, 11am at the Hill River Car Park
LINES DOWN Saturday, 12 Noon
BOUNDARIES Southern border of Cervantes town site to Sandy Cape north of Jurien
WEIGH IN Sunday, 12 Noon at the Hill River Car Park

FIELD DAY VENUE **LOCAL**
WHEN 16 – 17 February 2008
SIGN ON At the General meeting or phone the FDO by 18h00 Friday
LINES DOWN Saturday, 12 Noon
BOUNDARIES Penguin Island to north wall of the Two Rocks Marina, including the Swan River and both the North and South Moles
WEIGH IN Sunday at George Holman's House. Scales will be available on his back patio. An adult member must witness weights. Field Day money to be left with the scales in an envelope with your name and details written in the carbon copy Field Day book.
No money = no points. Results to be phoned to Field Day Officer by 20h00 Sunday night

FIELD DAY VENUE **BLUFF CREEK**
WHEN 1-3 March 2008
SIGN ON Phone the FDO by 18h00 Friday, or Saturday 11am at Bluff Creek Campsite
LINES DOWN Saturday, 12 Noon
BOUNDARIES Reef Beach to Betty's beach.
WEIGH IN Monday, 11am at Bluff Creek Campsite

Wanted

***Shimano tapered spool casting reel in good condition for use at Dry Casting.
Please contact Malcolm Harris***

***3/4 inch Galvanised Water Pipe in 4.5 metre lengths.
Please contact Mark Hansen***

PERTH LOCAL FIELD DAY REPORT - 12 & 13 JANUARY 2008

This was just about the right time of the year to have a local field day. After the hectic Christmas and holiday break, nobody felt like driving long distances so soon in the new year. It was great to have 11 members sign on for this event.

The fishing was a little on the slow side but after all it was great just getting out there. Some members tried the Canning and Swan rivers. Lots of small Bream were caught, but not one was of a legal length and they were all returned to live for another day.

Some members fished the North Mole at Freo and had some success with a few Snook, Skippy and Blue Mackerel. Other members opted to go to the northern border and were rewarded with some Tailor, Herring and Flathead.

At the weigh-in the fish were few and far between, and it was up to the experienced hand of George Holman to put the rest of us to shame. George walked away with the Field Day prizes for both best scale fish and heaviest bag of scale fish. Well done, George!!

Thanks to members who have paid their deposits for the two Rottneest Field Day weekends. There are now **only 4 places available** for the **May** weekend and **only 2 places for the August** weekend. Deposit is \$50 per person per weekend. Here are the already booked and paid for dates again: 16/17/18 May 2008 and 15/16/17 August 2008. The total cost will be approximately \$150 p/p per weekend. Come on guys and girls, let's see if we can fill these last six spots. Our next 2 Field days are Cervantes on the weekend of 16/17 February 2008, and Bluff Creek on 1 to 3 March 2008.

Hope to see you all soon.

***Field Day Officer
Peet Wessels***

New Member Applications

Applications for membership have been received and will come before the March Committee meeting. If any member has any reason why any of the applications should not be accepted, please state the reason in writing and submit to Committee.

Michael Traynier

Lea Taylor, Simone Taylor, Ruby Taylor, Julia Taylor

112 GRAM OPEN

A 112g Open will be held at the April Dry Casting on Sunday, 6 April 2008.

Dry Casting Results, 6 January 2008

Results for the day	56 gram			Artificial Bait			112 gram			Double Handed Accuracy									Single Handed Accuracy					Day Total	Attendance		Total Points	
	Cast 1 (m)	Cast 2 (m)	Points	Cast 1 (m)	Cast 2 (m)	Points	Cast 1 (m)	Cast 2 (m)	Points	Target Number									Target distance						Total	DC		GM
										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		DC
Scott Maloney	98	100	20	111	101	21	137	121	26	10	17	22	24	1	0	20	14	108	9	5	1	3	18	193	10		203	
Mark Hansen	111	115	23	95	96	19	134	125	26	23	4	22	6	7	23	12	13	110	0	6	0	0	6	184	10		194	
Keith Heaney	102	0	10	120	109	23	140	141	28	22	6	21	17	17	5	16	14	118	0	0	0	0	0	179	10		189	
Rhys Jones	127	132	26	110	115	23	145	148	29	8	11	17	14	0	0	18	19	87	0	9	0	3	12	177	10		187	
Eric Parker	98	103	20	95	100	20	120	115	24	19	10	21	21	0	9	12	11	103	0	1	2	7	10	177	10		187	
Peter Pekaar	117	119	24	123	136	26	137	0	14	20	13	7	16	12	6	9	19	102	0	0	0	4	4	170	10		180	
Malcolm Harris	136	133	27	125	126	25	144	155	30	0	4	17	2	1	13	14	18	69	0	9	3	6	18	169	10		179	
Greg Walker										0	6	20	18	0	1	0	9	54	0	4	0	3	7	61	10		71	
Veterans																												
Gary Gildersleeves	127	119	25	112	110	22	138	133	27	19	19	18	18	15	21	22	15	147	8	8	7	7	30	251	10		261	
Allan Jones	99	94	19	97	89	19	113	118	23	21	21	18	22	16	20	6	21	145	9	9	7	6	31	237	10		247	
Malcolm Head	95	95	19	90	87	18	112	107	22	22	24	18	14	4	19	17	18	136	3	5	0	0	8	203	10		213	
Terry Fuller	84	79	16	83	79	16	101	98	20	16	15	3	22	21	0	23	18	118	8	8	6	8	30	200	10		210	
George Holman	0	121	12	109	115	22	136	0	14	10	19	15	14	11	3	21	23	116	6	3	6	6	21	185	10		195	
John Crompton	85	82	17	77	78	16	97	88	19	0	24	13	0	10	8	5	20	80	0	0	0	0	0	132	10		142	
Ron Hicks	0	57	6	0	0	0	75	70	15														21	10		31		
Jim Strong																			4	3	3	7	17	17	10		27	
Ladies																												
Vix Alexander	85	82	17	88	79	17	104	99	20	10	25	20	24	15	7	11	14	126	1	1	0	0	2	182	10		192	
Bev Grigo	54	74	13	57	58	12	69	55	12	0	13	24	0	0	7	20	0	64	3	0	0	8	11	112	10		122	
Marcia Pekaar	69	74	14	61	62	12	78	0	8	3	0	12	6	0	7	0	0	28	5	8	8	5	26	88	10		98	
Davina John	52	0	5	58	57	12	0	57	6	0	0	5	21	11	14	0	0	51	0	0	0	0	0	74	10		84	
Juniors																												
Andrew Pekaar	108	98	21	103	106	21	134	131	27	8	7	20	17	10	20	22	10	114	0	6	4	8	18	201	10		211	
Holly Walker	21	23	4	12	20	3	28	37	7	0	0	16	12	0	0	0	17	45	0	6	0	0	6	65	10		75	
Mini Juniors																												
Marlin Heaney	0	56	6	44	38	8	55	55	11	7	0	9	3	0	0	5	0	24						49	10		59	
Jess Thomson	37	47	8	12	31	4	37	39	8	5	0	1	0	0	0	9	1	16	0	1	0	4	5	41	10		51	
Kaitlin Stoeckel	2	19	2	18	0	2	14	11	3	16	0	1	11					28						35	10		45	

Note These scores do not yet include points for attendance at the January 2008 General Meeting.

Dry Casting Winners for 6 January 2008

Event	Seniors Winner		Veterans Winner	
56 gram Score	27	Malcolm Harris	25	Gary Gildersleeves
56 gram Distance	136	Malcolm Harris	127	Gary Gildersleeves
Artificial Bait Score	26	Peter Pekaar	22	Gary Gildersleeves, George Holman
Artificial Bait Distance	136	Peter Pekaar	115	George Holman
112 gram Score	30	Malcolm Harris	27	Gary Gildersleeves
112 gram Distance	155	Malcolm Harris	138	Gary Gildersleeves
Double Handed Acc.	118	Keith Heaney	147	Gary Gildersleeves
Single Handed Acc.	18	Scott Maloney, Malcolm Harris	31	Allan Jones
Section Highest Points	203	Scott Maloney	261	Gary Gildersleeves

Event	Ladies Winner		Juniors Winner	
56 gram Score	17	Vix Alexander	21	Andrew Pekaar
56 gram Distance	85	Vix Alexander	108	Andrew Pekaar
Artificial Bait Score	17	Vix Alexander	21	Andrew Pekaar
Artificial Bait Distance	88	Vix Alexander	106	Andrew Pekaar
112 gram Score	20	Vix Alexander	27	Andrew Pekaar
112 gram Distance	104	Vix Alexander	134	Andrew Pekaar
Double Handed Acc.	126	Vix Alexander	114	Andrew Pekaar
Single Handed Acc.	26	Marcia Pekaar	18	Andrew Pekaar
Section Highest Points	192	Vix Alexander	211	Andrew Pekaar

Event	Mini Juniors Winner	
56 gram Score	8	Jess Thomson
56 gram Distance	56	Marlin Heaney
Artificial Bait Score	8	Marlin Heaney
Artificial Bait Distance	44	Marlin Heaney
Double Handed Acc.	11	Marlin Heaney
Single Handed Acc.	55	Marlin Heaney
Section Highest Points	28	Kaitlin Stoeckel
Single Handed Acc.	5	Jess Thomson
Section Highest Points	59	Marlin Heaney

Event	Overall Winner		Year's best up to January 2008	
56 gram Score	27	Malcolm Harris	30	Malcolm Harris
56 gram Distance	136	Malcolm Harris	154	Malcolm Harris
Artificial Bait Score	26	Peter Pekaar	29	Malcolm Harris
Artificial Bait Distance	136	Peter Pekaar	146	Malcolm Harris
112 gram Score	30	Malcolm Harris	34	Malcolm Harris, George Holman
112 gram Distance	155	Malcolm Harris	174	Malcolm Harris, George Holman
Double Handed Acc.	147	Gary Gildersleeves	169	Gary Gildersleeves
Single Handed Acc.	31	Allan Jones	35	George Holman
Day's High Points	261	Gary Gildersleeves	293	Gary Gildersleeves

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

Dry Casting Top Ten for 2007/8

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

1	George Holman	2238	6	Andrew Pekaar	1591
2	Allan Jones	2045	7	Vix Alexander	1591
3	Malcolm Head	1861	8	Mark Hansen	1513
4	Malcolm Harris	1792	9	Terry Fuller	1456
5	Peter Pekaar	1701	10	Eric Parker	1440

DRY CASTING OFFICER'S REPORT JANUARY 2008

Sunday, 9 January 2008

With 36° C temperatures predicted, and the added attraction of the cricket being on the TV all day, 25 casters fronted up at the Yokine oval for the first dry casting day of the year.

It was good to see Scott Maloney back at the club after a lengthy break. He ventured down, accompanied by his friend, Davina John.

Keith and Marlin Heaney surely would have to win some sort of enthusiasm award, driving approximately 1,200km round trip to have a cast and try out some new rods.

New member, Ron Hicks, also came down for his first club event.

Seniors started with D/H Accuracy. The competition was pretty close between Scott Maloney, Mark Hansen and Keith Heaney, with Keith winning with 118 points. 18-point scores by Scott and Mal Harris wrapped up the S/H Accuracy Event.

Gary Gildersleeves clearly won the 56g and 112g events, equal scored with George in Art Bait, and George won the Art Bait Distance with a 115m cast.

Both Vix Alexander and Andrew Pekaar cruised through their distance events with relative ease. Mini Junior, Jess Thomson, won the 56g score and Marlin Heaney won both the Art Bait and 112g events.

The Seniors 56g was closely fought between Rhys Jones and Mal Harris. Mal took out both the points and distance. Peter Pekaar won the Art Bait score and distance, with 136m. Rhys Jones' chances of winning the 112g was snatched away by Mal Harris's last cast of 155m.

In the Vets D/H Accuracy, Mal Head scored 136 points, but only two points separated AJ's 145 from the eventual winner, Gary Gildersleeves with 147 points.

New comer to Dry Casting, Davina John, put down some good casts in D/H Accuracy. So did Bev Grigo, just missing out on a bull's eye. But Vix Alexander's 126 points was the Ladies' best in that event and she was the only person to score a bull's eye for that day.

Junior, Andrew Pekaar, won D/H accuracy with 114 points and Mini Junior, Kaitlin Stoeckel's 28 points beat her team mates.

In the S/H event, both Terry Fuller and Gary Gildersleeves had to settle for second place with 30 points each, behind AJ with 31 points.

Marcia Pekaar was a clear winner with 26 points in the S/H Accuracy event, as was Andrew Pekaar with 18 points in the Junior Division. Jess Thomson, being the only Mini Junior to cast in the S/H event, was an obvious winner. Well done, Jess.

Event Winners

56g Cast	Mal Harris	136m
Art Bait Cast	Peter Pekaar	136m
112g Cast	Mal Harris	155m
D/H Accuracy	Gary Gildersleeves	147 points
S/H Accuracy	Allan Jones	31 points

Section Winners

Seniors:	Scott Maloney	203 points
Veterans:	Gary Gildersleeves	261 points
Ladies:	Vix Alexander	192 points
Juniors:	Andrew Pekaar	211 points
Mini Juniors:	Marlin Heaney	59 points

FEBRUARY DRY CASTING ORDER

Seniors:	Distance First, Accuracy Second
Vets, Ladies & Juniors:	Accuracy First, Distance Second

Peter Pekaar
Dry Casting Officer

SPECIAL MENTION

By Marcia Pekaar

I would like to give a special thank you to our new applicant, Lea Taylor, who came down to see our Club in operation last month and helped us enormously with the scoring duties. He was standing to the side, innocently observing, when I struck up a conversation. Before he knew it, he was writing down scores as I called them out as I read from the laser. He had been speaking to George by phone and has now had a brief practise cast, has attended one meeting and has already applied to join. Let's hope his enthusiasm continues.

Recorders Report for January 2008

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

Sportsperson Of The Year Sections for January				
	Section	Angler	Species	Weight
	Best Scale Fish	George Holman	Tailor	0.712
	Best Bag of Scale fish	George Holman	Mixed Bag	2.836

Field Day Prizes for January				
	Section	Angler	Species	Weight
	Best Scale Fish	George Holman	Tailor	0.712
	Best Bag of Scale fish	George Holman	Mixed Bag	2.836

Barron Lure Competition

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

Field Day Points to January 2008

Angler	Total Points
Malcolm Harris	1183.62
Mark Hansen	809.64
George Holman	699.56
Vix Alexander	653.24
Peet Wessels	530.08
Peter Pekaar	470.16
Ian Cook	469.5
John Crompton	431.12
Morris Kolman	426.19
Andrew Pekaar	386.84
Marcia Pekaar	332.22
Sandra Wessels	320.5
Tino Baiardo	302.14
Peter Osborne	279
Ian Taggart	242.93
Wendy Hansen	170
Peter Stoeckel	162.94
Melvin Wee	159.12
David Maxted	142.84
Greg Keet	117.9
Greg Walker	90
Grant Taggart	65.02
Stephen Pekaar	54.2
Hadley Markus	50
Ron Hicks	50
Terry Fuller	50
Bev Grigo	40
Mike Traynier	40

2006 / 2007 Open Competition Results till January 2008

Section	For	Min Weight	Details
1.	Most Meritorious Capture	None	Winner chosen by the Committee, if the Committee considers meritorious enough.
2.	Best Shark	4.5 kg	
3.	Best Mulloway	5.0 kg	George Holman 6.8 kg Wagoe
4.	Best Salmon	3.5 kg	
5.	Best Dhufish	Legal size	
6.	Best Tailor	1.5 kg	George Holman 4.9 kg Crayfish Bay
7.	Best Samson Fish	1.5 kg	
8.	Best Fish on single handed rod, maximum 4kg line class	Legal size	
9.	Best Pink Snapper	2.0 kg	George Holman 3.8 kg False Entrance
10.	Best Tarwhine	0.5 kg	
11.	Best Mackerel	4.0 kg	
12.	Best Skipjack Trevally (southern)	1.0 kg	
13.	Best Trevally (northern)	4.0 kg	
14.	Best Snook/Pike	0.5 kg	
15.	Best Black or Yellow fin Bream	0.6 kg	George Holman 0.9 kg False Entrance
16.	Best Scale fish other than sections 3 to 14	2.0 kg	
17.	Best Fish caught on Fly Rod.	Legal size	

Please let me know if there are any omissions.

***Tight Lines
Cookie***

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

The following members celebrate their birthdays in February:

Wendy Hansen: 19 February

Dean Stewart: 28 February

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

FOR SALE

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

All proceeds go directly to the club.

Thanks, Mal.

XMAS IN THE N.T.

Dropping our “girls” off with Roy and Nita, Leonie and I headed for the airport to travel to Darwin. After a very smooth flight, we stepped out from the terminal into the “northern humidity” that told you it was the wet season in the Territory.

A quick shop for essentials (solid and liquid) before our son, Jamie, drove us towards Kakadu. Although some rain had fallen over the past months, the roadside looked quite dry and a late “wet” was forecast. Arriving in Jabiru, we spent the evening catching up with the local gossip. The following day, we caught up with friends and organised the next day’s fishing trip out into the gulf.

At daybreak, we were on the South Alligator River heading down to the mouth at a brisk pace as the tide dropped. At the open sea, we turned right to travel east well past the East Alligator River up towards Endyalgout Island, staying off the coast about 5km. A favourite spot I’m told.

Bugger all was caught during the next two hours even though we tried four different “favourite spots”. So our only catch was catfish, small golden snapper and cod. “Must be the wrong time” was the comment, so we drifted onto many a new spot and were very successful by catching two small coral trout. One bloody keeper for three hours fishing but the drinks were cold.

So we headed back towards the East Alligator River but kept going and planted ourselves fair in the middle of the channel out from the West Alligator River. A good jewie spot so “they say”. Well all we got was more catfish, cod and golden snapper that all came from a nursery, although we did get to keep two of them. A move of 100m had us on the edge of the dirty water and as the others played with the little ones I let my unweighed bait drift out further and hooked up.

A tough battle saw me land a nice northern Jewie (we call them Mulloway) that took the scales down to 20.6kg and measured 115cm. Ribald comments about it being beginner’s luck didn’t bother me so I cut my rig off and told them to show me how it’s done their style. Two UDL’s and a packet of chips later their catch was zilch. So I replaced my rig then let it drift out about 50m with no weight and ‘bang’ I was on again. Such language with threats that if it’s another jewie I swim back.

This battle took a little longer as I knew it was a beauty and when it surfaced alongside the boat they were in awe. Even their landing net buckled as they tried to lift it into the boat. It weighed 24.5kg and measured 128cm. My son beamed with pride and let the others know who’s the best “ol fart” fisho in this boat. With others using 30 to 50lb line I casually mentioned that my 12lb old casting line was just right to catch mulloway up here. Funny how “the catch” is evenly distributed at the end of the day. At least the drinks only just lasted to the boat ramp. I was buggered.

A great Xmas day with friends, plentiful food and drink although “eggnog” doesn’t mix well with the spa water and the piddle dye didn’t work. Starting at noon it went on into the evening where a challenge to a “nude foot race” on the oval was taken up. Being a respected elder, I declined but was roped into being the starter. We traversed the local parties and ended up with a dozen starters in the centre square of the oval. Spectators were limited to the boundary and the ‘race’ ended up a donkey’s serenade with only seven reaching the goalposts. Cries of hamstrings, footy injuries and unbalanced tackle went nowhere. The photos didn’t give any of the runner’s justice as telephoto lenses were not available, but the photo finish is going to end up in the local rag come the New Year.

Boxing Day was spent down at a location called "Tree Bridges" where the barra were also on holidays, for after three hours of chucking lures for five undersized barra we ventured back to the Club. An afternoon game of golf was uneventful due to the lack of a mobile drinks trolley.

Back in Darwin we were informed to batten down due to cyclone Helen heading our way. A category 2 with winds up to 100km and heavy rain was forecast but it passed south of Darwin and all we got was plenty of wind and a dash of rain. Further south near Adelaide River, they got 246 mil of rain overnight. Still, to wander around Darwin city and see all the scrubs stripped of their leaves and lots of trees blown over was a sight. Jamie rang and informed us that Jabiru had 156 mil overnight and the waterways were on the rise.

All good things come to an end and we were a little sad to leave our other son, Matt, and his girlfriend at the airport. Another great flight home.

Three weeks of bludging, eating and drinking has its consequences and the extra kilos have made me a little plump. Who said you can't fatten thoroughbreds?

Cheers
Bob n Leonie Hendo

PS Highly recommend the NT any time after Xmas through to May as the best time to visit. It's the low season and prices are cheaper; there are very few tourists and it's nice and green. Experience the outback and the NT.

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

Reminder of 2007/2008 Field Days

To help members fill in their 2008/2009 Field Day Flyer published last month, here is a reminder of the 2007/2008 field days:

Please have your flyers submitted to Committee as soon as possible. Remember, if you don't tell us where you *want* to go we'll just tell you *where* to go.

12 - 13 May 2007	Rottnest
2 - 4 June 2007 (LWE)	Emu Springs
14 - 15 July 2007	Cape to Cape
11 - 12 August 2007	Rottnest
15 - 16 September 2007	Cervantes to Sandy Cape/Local (new format)
29 Sept - 1 Oct 2007	Horrocks to Kalbarri
17 - 18 November 2007	Cervantes
15 - 16 December 2007	Yanchep to Seabird
12 - 13 January 2008	Local
16 - 17 February 2008	Cervantes
1 - 3 March 2008 (LWE)	Bluff Creek
25 - 27 April 2008 (LWE)	S-Bend

HELPERS WANTED

We are always looking for helpers on the First Sunday of Each Month at the Dry Casting Event. Even if you do not wish to participate in the competition itself, your presence and offer of assistance would be greatly appreciated. Just attending will earn you points. You could help with:

- Scoring
- Putting out and collecting the Flags at the end of the day
- Ensuring Drink Cans are disposed of appropriately – or better still collected to give to Mal Head.
- Retrieval and packing up of the gear.

All Members are encouraged to come down to the Yokine Oval to help us out.

Committee's Field Days Suggestions for 2008 – 2009

17-18 May #	Rottnest
(May) 31- 2 June **	Port Gregory - Kalbarri
12-13 July	Cape to Cape (North)
16-17 August #	Rottnest
27-29 September **	AAA Rock and Beach Walpole
11-12 October	Cape to Cape (South)
15-16 November	Cervantes – Hill River
13-14 December	Myalup - Mandurah
17-18 January	Penguin Island - Seabird
14 15 February	Cervantes – Sandy Point
(Feb) 28-2 March **	Bluff Creek
25-27 April **	Bremer Bay

Dates and venue locked in because of booking made.

** Long Weekends

The above is the Committee's Field Day suggestions for the 2008-2009 fishing year. Members who would like to make changes to the above should forward their suggestion as soon as possible to the committee. The dates and venues for next fishing year will be decided at the April general meeting. We do not have enough time on the night to go into lengthy discussions, so get your suggestions in soon so that they can be discussed with your fellow club members. Note: to be fair to all, only those members who intend to fish the away field days should put up suggestions for consideration.

Malcolm Harris, President

WEBSITE PHOTO LIBRARY

Peet Wessels has updated the photo library on our Club Website.

Please take the time to visit the website and check out our collection of photos.

Also, if you have any photos of Field Days etc, please forward them to Peet so he can keep the library updated. Below is a photo from a past field day.



Bev Grigo, Marcia Pekaar & Cinta at Cervantes