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FORGET - ME - KNOTS :

- : 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 pm. 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.
- : Should any Member for any reason need to resign from the Club, please send a letter of resignation to the Secretary.
- : Please notify the Treasurer and Reel Talk Editor of any change of address or Phone Number.
- : Assist the Committee where you possibly can and let them know any ideas you may have to improve the Club.

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NEXT GENERAL MEETING:-

WHERE : Dianella Community Hall, Light Street, Dianella.

WHEN : Wednesday 8.00 pm 9th January '85.

INSTRUCTION PERIOD:-

Committee arranging

• NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING:-

WHERE : Dianella Community Hall, Light Street, Dianella.

WHEN : Wednesday 8.00 pm 16th January '85.

NEXT DAY CASTING DAY:-

WHERE : Yokine Reserve

WHEN : Sunday 5.00 am 6th January '85.

EVENTS : 112 GRAM LL
56 GRAM LL
S/H ACCURACY
D/H ACCURACY
112 GRAM LL Open

NEXT FIELD DAY:-

WHERE : Wagoes/S. Bend (LWE)

WHEN : 26th, 27th and 28th January '85.

TIMINGS : SIGN ON at Chalets 1.00 pm Saturday
WEIGHT IN same place 10.00 am Sunday

DETAILS : See Field Day Report.

FIELD DAYS FOR THE 1985 SEASON:-

February - White Hills 16th and 17th February '85.

March - Reef Beach

April - Rottneest

PRESIDENT'S NEW YEAR COLUMN:-

Well members, now that the Christmas and New Year festivities are over, now is the time to think about losing some of those extra kilos we all have gained over the festive season. The best way to lose a bit of that extra weight would be to attend the club's next drycasting day and long-week-end field day at Greenough - Wagoe.

Our December Christmas meeting had a very average attendance - where have all the surfcasters gone? - which was disappointing to see.

Tony Richardson's field day report saw only six hands go up for our White Hills field day, but to many peoples' surprise 27 people were in attendance at White Hills. This was very pleasing to see, keep the good work up members and see if we can break the record for Greenough - Wagoe field day and catch some good fish as well. Don't forget the field days planned for 1985 and try and make the effort to attend.

As was stated at the December meeting, tee shirts are still available at \$5.00 each.

Although still a few months away, our Annual Dinner and Dance to be held on 22nd June 1985 at the "Wembly Lodge". Keep this date in mind members as it is the high-light of the season. Later on in the year I will be asking for trophies, this is always a problem so if you can help out let me know - this makes the job of trophy collecting a lot easier.

Last note on the agenda was our Christmas part held at the Osborne residence, those that attended enjoyed themselves and Father Christmas was very jovial as usual in giving presents to the little kids and a few of the older kids. Many thanks to the Osborne family for letting the club use their abode - thanks Peter and Sharon. The committee apologises for not being able to catch that reindeer that was promised, most probably he's having a good time with his family.

Hope all members had a good time over Christmas and New Year, like to see you all at next year's functions.

Tight lines

RIC PARKER

CLUB NEWS

1. NEW MEMBERS ACCEPTED:-

- a. Hugh Wray
178 10th Avenue
INGLEWOOD.
- b. Robert and Mathew (Junior) Bartley
52 Second Avenue
MT. LAWLEY

2. CLUB COMMUNICATIONS:-

The CB Channels now standardised for the club are:-

	<u>TYPE OF SET</u>			
Channel 5	SSB	40CH	FREQ	27.015MHZ
Channel 5	AM	40CH	FREQ	27.015MHZ
Channel 1	AM	18CH	FREQ	27.015MHZ

The Australian standard emergency Channels are:-

Channel 9	AM/SSB	40CH	FREQ	27.065MHZ
Channel 5	AM	18CH	FREQ	27.065MHZ

As there are AM and SSB sets within the Club members should switch there SSB sets to AM on Field Days so communications can be established with all vehicles.

CLUB MEMBERSHIP

Members are the most essential part of our club and every effort must be made to retain members and also to introduce new members.

With the large number of fishing clubs and other types of clubs offering outdoor activities we face reasonable opposition in our task of increasing and retaining membership and therefore our committee is currently preparing a programme with guide lines of how we can improve our membership and keep on being one of the top fishing clubs. You may have some thoughts on this topic and if so let us know at the next general meeting.

To-date the committee is considering including in its programme the following:-

1. The proposer and seconder of new members should be responsible to those persons until such time as they are established in the club and in addition:-
 - a) Introduce new members to the committee and in particular the field day and drycasting officers.
 - b) A phone call to your new member prior to the general meeting, field days and drycasting events to show your interest in his attendance and that you will be there to assist him.
 - c) At the conclusion of the general meeting, we all know you like to chat to your mates during refreshment time, however do not neglect your new members and make sure they are in the company of club members.
2. Reel Talk to highlight details of new members activities particularly at their first field day and drycasting event.

The above considerations are openers for the membership programme and when the committee with your help has established a firm working programme it will be detailed in THE REEL TALK.

A.A.A. OF W.A.

Only twenty -two delegates were present at the December Meeting of the above association held at Marmion Angling and Aquatic Club on Tuesday, 18th instant. George Holman was our only representative.

A proposal for the association to pay the \$5.00 application fee to the National Fish Records for all records discussed and noted on at the next meeting.

Lindsay Harbord, the W.A.A.M. editor, gave a report on the magazine and it is proposed to combine five fishing associations into the magazine. If this does not eventuate the association will continue on its own so clubs are asked to forward copy to Lindsay as soon as possible. Drycasting organiser George Holman, gave his report and suggested that for the 1985 season that the Individual and Teams State Drycasting Championships be held over the one week-end with the individual costs, (112 gram V count distance and 112 gram artificial bait V count) held on the Saturday afternoon and the accuracy, 112 gram V count artificial bait, and the 56 gram V count distance be held on the Sunday. He will endeavour to get a suitable date around August.

A letter be sent to Senator Jack Evans and the W.A. Sports Council to confirm the association's support for the Sorrento Marina.

The senator indicated his opposition to the Marina in the Press and as the Minister for Sport we feel it is in bad taste.

Lindsay Harbord has stepped in for John Butler as Cardinal Co-ordinator until just prior to the Bunbury Championships in March as John has suffered bad health.

Any club who has any National Perpetual Trophies would they please return them to Lindsay Harbord as soon as possible.

Also any club member who is going to attend the 1985 National Championships at Bunbury for all or only part of the events would they please send in an entry form soon as possible so that the orders for badges and other necessities can be made,
To: Carnival Co-ordinator, Box K832, G.P.O. Perth, W.A. 6001.

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The notice of motion regarding the ladies accuracy draw tabled by this club was voted and passed.

Our club also tabled a motion to include the use of coloured plastic tubing in all future drycasting events. Notice to be sent immediately to the National Secretary so it may be dealt with at the National Conference at Bunbury. It is also to be dealt with separately as a notice of motion and noted on in due course for State Championships.

"That a length of plastic tubing, upto 18 cm. long, may be used in both distance and accuracy events as long as the total weight of tubing and sinker combined does not exceed the gross weight for that event."

GEORGE HOLMAN

STATE TEAM MEMBERS

The following members of the surfcasters were successful in achieving selection in the State Team for the 1985 National Championships:-

- F. D'Alonzo - Ladies Beach, Reserves Ladies Drycasting.
- N. Clifton - Ladies Beach, Reserve Ladies Estuary, Ladies Drycasting.
- S. Osborne - Ladies Drycasting
- H. Osborne - Ladies Estuary
- K. Osborne - Junior Estuary
- C. Osborne - Reserve Junior Estuary
- H. Holman - Junior Drycasting, Reserve Junior Beach.

- P. Mollett - Mens Estuary
- I. Cook - Reserve Mens Estuary
- T. D'Alonzo - Mens Beach, Open Drycasting
- H. Hew - Mens Beach, Open Drycasting
- P. Osborne - Mens Beach
- R. Noble - Mens Beach
- L. Clifton - Mens Beach
- S. Whiting - Open Drycasting
- B. Leicester - Open Drycasting
- G. Holman - Open Drycasting
- E. Parker - Reserve Open Drycasting

This would be the largest club contingent in the State Teams and certainly the largest number of our club members ever to compete or make a State Team.

LETS TALK ABOUT FISH.

Most members of our club can tell you which is the head and tail of a fish and where the Dorsal Fin is situated, but how many know which part is a Scute, or a Barbel, or where we find the Caudal Fin Not too many. The object then of this article is to help us to become better acquainted with the principal character responsible for the formation and existence of our club.

Fish, unlike humans and land based warm blooded animals, continue to grow throughout their lives, although probably slower as their age increases. It follows, therefore, that as the record for each particular species is broken, it becomes increasingly more difficult for it to be surpassed, as these older fish are, naturally more rare. Colour, too, varies with the age of the fish, and, quite often, the very shape of the fish will alter. An excellent example of the latter is the Flounder.

The shape of the body of most fish is either compressed, (that is, flattened from side to side) or round. The rest are depressed (flattened from top to bottom). The best local example are Skipjack, Pike and Flounder respectively.

Now we move on to the classification of fins. There are two main types, the Vertical (or unpaired) type such as Dorsal, Caudal and Anal Fins, and the paired type, Pectoral and Ventral Fins. These fins are either supported by spinous rays (rigid and sharp pointed) or soft rays (flexible and usually branched).

Treating these fins in order, we come first of all to the Dorsal Fin, which as everyone knows follows the top median line of the body. It may be one continuous fin, or divided into two or more parts, the anterior (or front) portion generally being spinous-rayed, and the rest soft-rayed. The first Dorsal Fin of a Tailor is composed of 6 to 8 spinous rays, while the second has 24 to 27 soft rays. The two fins are separate. In the Salmon and Malloway, the fins are jointed, the former having 9 to 11 spinous rays and 15 to 17 soft rays, while the Kingie possesses 9 or 10 spinous rays followed by about 28 soft ones.

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The Caudal or Tail Fins can be divided into five types; rounded, square cut (or truncate), concave, Lunate or forked. Local examples in that order would be Mulloway, Jewfish, Snapper, Spanish Mackerel and Tailor.

Situated on the bottom-median line between the tail and the Anus, the Anal Fin, like the Dorsal, can be of one or more types, but usually of much less length than the Dorsal. Sometimes we find the soft-rayed Anal Fin preceded by two or three spines such as in the Groper and Mulloway.

The Pectoral Fins are those placed just in rear of the Gills and can be divided into five types according to shape. They are, Pointed (upper rays of longest), Rectangular (middle rays pointed), Triangular, Oval and Falcate (long pointed or scythe-like). Of our sporting fish, Tailor and Mulloway have triangular Pectorals, while the Salmon have pointed ones.

That pair of fins known as the Ventral Fins are situated below and more or less to the rear of the Pectoral Fins. Unfortunately, my authority does not give any details with regards to the shape of these fins, but, by studying the illustrations of some 83 different species, I have arrived at the following conclusions. Generally, the Ventrals are smaller than the Pectoral Fins and can be classified as either Triangular, Pointed or Rounded.

Some other characteristics of fish often encountered but not fully understood by the majority are as follows:-

- Lateral Line:- A raised line along the sides of the body formed by a series of slime-producing pores.
- Scutes:- Bony or horny plates usually found at the rear end of the Lateral Line.
- Barbel:- Fleshy projection situated near the mouth.
- Lunate:- In the form of a crescent moon.

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Opercle or Operculum:- The Gill covers.

Preopercle:- The bone between the gill covers and the cheek.

Mandible:- Lower jaw.

Perhaps one of the biggest headaches encountered when talking of fish, is the inability of the layman to derive at a common name for each specie. To take a few examples:-

In W.A. and Vic, the Mullet is known as a "Kingfish", yet in Queensland and N.S.W. it is called a "Jewfish". Only S.A. abide by the correct common name of Mullet. When we come to consider "Bream", further complications arise. The "Black Bream" in W.A. should be called Southern Bream, whether Black or Silver, yet in S.W. the "Black Bream" there is a Yellow Fin Bream. Then in the North West, the specie known as "Yellow Fin Bream" should be called a Japanese Bream! In local waters, very often a Tarwhine will be called a Silver (Southern) Bream, but they can be separately identified by their Dorsal Fins. In the Tarwhine the spines are slender, where as the Southern Bream has alternately broad and narrow spines when viewed side on.

Snapper go through life with four different names. When very young, they are called "Cockneys", (incidentally a term I have never heard used in W.A.), a "Red Bream" when they weigh from 1 to 1½ lbs, a "Squire" from 2 to 5 lbs, and a Snapper from then on.

Silver Trevally also get a variety of names, but only in different localities, not age. Known as "Skipjack" in this State, over East they could be called a "White Trevally", a "Silver Bream", (there it goes again), or a "Silver Fish".

Yellowtail Kingfish and Samson Fish are often confused. To give an excellent example of how difficult it is to correctly identify a fish, I draw your attention to a photo of a local jockey with a fish he caught at Eagle Bay, appearing in the January issue of the "Anglers Digest". That magazine calls it a "West Australian Kingfish". The same photo appears in the book "Sea Angler's Fishes

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of Australia", by Arthur W. Parrott, where it is called a "Samson Fish". Club members identified it as a "Yellowtail Kingfish". Who is correct

Even the humble Tailor does not escape. In some parts of the world it is called a "Skipjack".

So where do we stand The only solution that I can see is for all State Fishery Departments, Piscatorial Councils and Fish Record Councils to combine and thrash out the problem once and for all.

We may see it within the next decade.

Permission from Editor Bert Payne.

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DRY CASTING RESULTS - 2.12.84

ATTENDANCE:- 11 SENIORS 1 JUNIOR 2 VISITORS

<u>LEVEL LINE 112g:-</u>		<u>LEVEL LINE 112g ART BAIT</u>	
H.H. HEW	100%	H.H. HEW	100%
B. LEICESTER	95%	T. D'ALONZO	95%
T. D'ALONZO	93%	LEICESTER, WHITING & PARKER	94%

LONGEST CAST 112g:- H.H. YEW 147M

LONGEST CAST A/BAIT:- R. Parker, G. Holman 116M

<u>DOUBLE HANDED ACCURACY</u>		<u>SINGLE HANDED ACCURACY</u>	
B. LEICESTER	141 100%	G. GILDERSLEEVE	23 100%
D'ALONZO, R. PARKER	132 94%	P. OSBORNE	22 96%
		LEICESTER, HEW & WHITING	19 83%

SENIOR WINNER:- B. LEICESTER 402%

HANDICAP WINNER:- T. D'ALONZO 474%

JUNIOR WINNER:- H. HOLMAN 239% (Also Mini-Junior)

<u>SENIOR TOP 10</u>		<u>LADIES</u>	<u>JUNIORS</u>
S. WHITING	2588	F. D'ALONZO	1742
H.H. HEW	2572	S. OSBORNE	1068
G. HOLMAN	2512	R. KORIN	481
E. PARKER	2427	N. CLIFTON	240
B. LEICESTER	2293		
T. D'ALONZO	2188		
P. OSBORNE	1996		
S. GILDERSLEEVE	1135		
S. CROWNE	1017		
. FRANCIS	857		

<u>MINI-JUNIORS</u>	
H. HOLMAN	1777
D. HOLMAN	838
K. OSBORNE	773
J. OSBORNE	584
M. HEAD	112
B. GILDERSLEEVE	108

(All ranks with lowest score deleted)

<u>NEXT CAST:-</u>	112g LL	<u>1985 CASTING DATES</u>	
	56g LL	6 JANUARY	7 APRIL
	D/H ACCURACY	3 FEBRUARY	5 MAY
	S/H ACCURACY	10 MARCH	9 JUNE
	112g LL "Open"		

NAME	112 GRAM				ART BAIT			
	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>%</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>%</u>
B. LEICESTER	141	136	277	95	102	114	216	94
G. GILDERSLEEVE	134	133	267	91	108	103	211	92
P. OSBORNE	127	117	244	84	92	97	189	82
T. D'ALONZO	133	139	272	93	105	112	217	95
H.H. HEW	147	145	292	100	115	114	229	100
S. WHITING	131	135	266	91	106	109	215	94
R. PARKER	132	118	250	86	99	116	215	94
G. HOLMAN	132	135	267	91	94	116	210	92
D. GILBERT	133	130	263	90	105	106	211	92
B. SPARROW	119	119	238	81	89	105	194	85
S. OSBORNE	94	95	189	65	84	91	175	76
P. D'ALONZO	91	82	173	59	75	71	146	64
H. HOLMAN	87	91	178	61	91	89	180	79
M. HEAD	69	73	142	49	65	B.O.	65	28

DECEMBER 1984 RESULTS

NAME	<u>D.H. ACCURACY</u>		<u>S.H. ACCURACY</u>		<u>%</u> Total	TOTAL Incl. Attend (30)	H/C	H/CAP TOTAL
	Total	%	Total	%				
B. LEICESTER	141	100	19	83	372	402	22	424
G. GILDERSLEEVE	119	84	23	100	367	397	37	434
P. OSBORNE	122	88	22	96	348	378	66	444
J. D'ALONZO	132	94	15	65	347	377	97	474
H.H. HEW	90	64	19	83	347	377	37	414
S. WHITING	104	74	19	83	342	372	32	404
R. PARKER	132	94	12	52	326	356	50	406
G. HOLMAN	100	71	16	70	324	354	50	404
D. GILBERT	114	81	6	26	289	319	-	-
B. SPARROW	68	48	4	17	231	261	-	-
S. OSBORNE	69	49	8	35	225	255	105	360
F. D'ALONZO	81	57	8	35	215	245	154	399
H. HOLMAN	85	60	2	9	209	239	129	368
M. HEAD	40	28	-	-	105	135	257	392

FIELD DAY RESULTS

ATTENDANCE:- 18 Senior 2 Ladies 7 Juniors

HEAVIEST BAG:- T. D'Alonzo 12.65KG

HEAVIEST SCALE FISH: J. Curulli .5 KG

HEAVIEST SHARK:- T. D'Alonzo 4.0 KG

SPORTSMAN OF YEAR

Heaviest Bag T. D'Alonzo 12.65KG

2nd " " H. Hew 7.65

Heaviest Scale Fish J. Curulli .5

2nd " " " H. Hew

SENIOR TOP 10 (CURRENT 17/12/84)

1. T. D'Alonzo	1132	6. L. Clifton	388
2. T. Richardson	644	7. E. Parker	327
3. G. Reeley	519	8. D. Stevens	264
4. P. Osborne	497	9. G. Holman	244
5. O. Wintle	457	10. D. Stiglmsayer	224

LADIES TOP 3 (17-12-84)

1. F. D'Alonzo	1200
2. N. Clifton	489
3. S. Osborne	270

JUNIOR TOP 5

1. B. Wintle	649	4. G. Richardson	204
2. H. Osborne	330	5. K. Osborne	198
3. H. Holman	307		

FIELD DAY RESULTS - DECEMBER '84

WHITE HILLS

SENIORS

T. D'Alonzo	12.65
H. Hew	7.65
P. Osborne	4.75
G. Reeley	3.0
T. Richardson	2.8
G. Bombardieri	2.75
D. Stiglmayer	2.6
J. Curulli	2.3
J. MacDougall	2.25
R. Fredericks	1.7
R. Belgard	1.3
O. Wintle	1.25
F. Sutton	.87
D. Stevens	.65
E. Parker	.3

LADIES

F. D'Alonzo	4.55
S. Osborne	2.15

JUNIORS

H. Osberne	2.52
K. Osborne	2.46
B. Wintle	1.85
C. Osborne	1.45
D. Sutton	1.3
J. Osborne	.85

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE

G. Holman
H. Holman (J)
P. Mollett
R. Noble

NEXT FIELD DAY

GREENOUGH/WAGOE

- GREENOUGH - Details at Meeting
- WAGOE - Sign on at Chalets 1.00 pm
Saturday.
Weigh in 10.00 am Monday
Area to be advised at weigh in.

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- FEBRUARY - White Hill
- SIGN ON - White Hills T/O 1.00 pm Saturday
- WEIGH IN - " " " 10.00 am Sunday
- BOUNDARIES - Tims Thicket - Preston

TROPHY DONATIONS FOR 1983/84CLUB MEMBERS:-

Ken Jones
 Leigh & Nella Clifton
 Tony & Filomena D'Alonzo
 George Holman
 Bob Fredericks
 Brian & Fran Leicester
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Many thanks to members who donate

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*** NOTE TO CLUB MEMBERS:-

These are the business houses that support our club.
 Please reciprocate whenever you need to replenish on
 fishing gear, etc.