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July 2015 fishing field day

Overview. The 11/12 July 2015 away field day for the 15 anglers that participated was spread from Busselton Jetty to the mouth of the river at Augusta and the local was extended at the previous General Meeting to include Preston.

For the local event four persons fished Perth local and northern beaches, nine people fished Preston. Two people fished Cape to Cape in the Yallingup area.

All venues suffered to varying degrees of swell, weed, wind and a very cold evening and morning.

Some quality fish were caught with a total of 6 different species for those that fished Cape to Cape, but for the various local venues only a limited number of small fish were caught with the exception of a salmon caught at Cottesloe.

The trip. Cape to Cape. For the away trip, anglers had a cabin booked at the Yallingup caravan park. A total of 1 SCAC angler and 1 visitor signed on, Peter Osborne and grandson Jamie Reilly. Weather conditions included medium to strong and gusty wind and no rain, heavy swell and very cold conditions morning and evening. My story goes as follows:

On initially going to the rocks at Yallingup we concentrated on fishing effort using floats as the water was shallow and lots of weed/reef under.



Grandson Jamie with his first ever salmon

We were immediately rewarded with a salmon each. Jamie accounted for his first ever Australian Salmon, and was chuffed on achieving this milestone. He has fished a lot north with his mother, Broome to the Kimberleys, and he considers the salmon fights like a barramundi e.g. lots of jumping with gills flaring.



At the other end of the scale, Jamie with his just size Skipper

We then managed a small numbers of skipper, small western rock blackfish and a wrasse. As a visitor, Jamie managed to capture the second heaviest bag for the field day.

My salmon had a full stomach and on cleaning discovered it had a skipper just about legal size.

Getting up early morning, we went to Wyadup and initially found only a few herring. Jamie managed a skipper only to drop a salmon at his feet much to his disgust, whereas I managed another good salmon, a tarwhine and a snook at this location.

Being so cold and with numb fingers we gave up fishing well before lines up.

Preston. While some wind and rain was encountered, conditions were not as severe as the Capes. The team of Gary Parkinson, Mark Nurse, Victor and Slavka Schilo, Shane and Sarah Wignell and Scott Williamson went down to Preston. Peet and Sandra Wessels left the group at Preston and fished a couple of kilometres further north at a different reef location nearer White Hills.

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

Link is above.

Unfortunately over the competition period only a few small fish were caught, as quality fish were certainly not plentiful. The fish captured were of mixed species of a smaller size. Gary Parkinson landed a half a dozen herring, a fellow from the public beside him did manage to land a good size salmon, with Scott catching similar plus a couple of whiting.

Shane and daughter Sarah only managed a herring each, with Victor and Slavka getting small bags of herring, tarwhine and whiting.

Peet and Sandra did a little better with Peet getting the third heaviest bag consisting of couple each of tailor, herring, whiting, and one each of salmon, skippy, and a sweetlip. Unfortunately his salmon was not the typical WA size of about 4kg, but just size at 32cm and 0.27kg. Sandra managed to capture a tailor, some herring and some whiting.

Like us, the Preston team also found the early morning fish very cold. Most slept in till sun-up, with Gary getting up at 4am, but to no avail.

Hence, compared to previous months at Preston a very disappointing result or best summarized by quoting a message to me from Peet Wessels - "Not much to report. We all got a few fish but nothing to get excited about"

Local beaches. For the local fisherpersons George Holman, Pat McKeown, Geoff Raftis, and Martin Wearmouth, results were not great. Fishing conditions encountered were some wind, and weed, no rain, some swell and fish captures very poor. Cottesloe fished the best with Martin Wearmouth capturing a salmon and some whiting, and George Holman getting some herring and a tarwhine. Pat McKeown and Geoff Raftis went up to Seabird and faced with the wind, weed and swell there, results were a nil catch so did not go to the local weigh-in.

As with salmon fishing anywhere, the key is being at the right place at the right time. With salmon in the metro area early we had hoped to see more of this species at the various local venues but only one was captured by Surfcasters with a couple seen to be landed by others.

Fish capture results and points scored based on the SCAC scoring system, are listed elsewhere in Reel Talk.

Tight lines.

Peter Osborne, Field Day Officer

Catch results and points for July 2015 Field Day

Angler	Weight	Species	Fish	Points
Peter Osborne	10.25	6	8	182.5
Peet Wessels	1.87	6	9	98.7
Jamie Reilly	3.57	3	4	75.7
Martin Wearmouth	3.7	2	2	67
Sandra Wessels	0.78	3	6	57.8
Victor Schilo	0.52	3	4	55.2
Mark Nurse	0.48	3	4	54.8
Scott Williamson	1.29	2	13	52.9
George Holman	0.68	2	3	46.8
Slavka Schilo	0.55	2	7	45.5
Gary Parkinson	0.87	1	6	38.7
Shane Wignell	0.1	1	1	31
Sarah Wignell	0.1	1	1	21
Geoff Raftis			0	20
Pat McKeown			0	20

Points include Field day and July General meeting points.

Species weighed at the July field day were herring, salmon, skipjack trevally, snook, tarwhine, western rock blackfish, wrasse.

Species weighed in at the Local field day were tailor, herring, tarwhine, salmon, skipjack trevally, sweetlip, whiting.

Sportsperson of the Year section winners for July 2015

Best scale fish	Peter Osborne	Salmon Australian	4kg
Best bag of scale fish	Peter Osborne	Mixed bag	10.25kg

Field day section winners

Best scale fish	Peter Osborne	Salmon Australian	4kg
Best bag of scale fish	Martin Wearmouth	Mixed bag	3.7kg

Catches on July 2015
Field Day

		Tailor	Herring	Tarwhine	Whiting	Salmon	Skipjack Trevally	Sweetlip	Western Rock Blackfish	Wrasse	Snook	Total
Peter Osborne	Number		2	1		2			1	1	1	
	Total weight		0.31	0.39		7.41			0.21	0.43	1.5	10.25
	Weight of best		0.16			4.00						
Jamie Reilly	Number		2			1	1					
	Total weight		0.32			3.07	0.18					3.57
	Weight of best		0.17									
George Holman	Number		1	2								
	Total weight		0.13	0.55								0.68
	Weight of best			0.30								
Martin Wearmouth	Number				1	1						
	Total weight				0.10	3.60						3.70
	Weight of best											
Pat McKeown	Number											
	Total weight											
	Weight of best											
Geoff Raftis	Number											
	Total weight											
	Weight of best											
Shane Wignell	Number		1									
	Total weight		0.10									0.10
	Weight of best											
Sarah Wignell	Number		1									
	Total weight		0.10									0.10
	Weight of best											
Slavka Schilo	Number		2		5							
	Total weight		0.18		0.37							0.55
	Weight of best											
Victor Schilo	Number		2	1	1							
	Total weight		0.21	0.24	0.07							0.52
	Weight of best											
Mark Nurse	Number		2	1	1							
	Total weight		0.20	0.20	0.08							0.48
	Weight of best											
Peet Wessels	Number	2	2		2	1	1	1				
	Total weight	0.80	0.24		0.12	0.27	0.16	0.28				1.87
	Weight of best	0.46										
Sandra Wessels	Number	1	3		2							
	Total weight	0.36	0.31		0.11							0.78
	Weight of best											
Gary Parkinson	Number		6									
	Total weight		0.87									0.87
	Weight of best											
Scott Williamson	Number		8		5							
	Total weight		0.92		0.37							1.29
	Weight of best											
		Tailor	Herring	Tarwhine	Whiting	Salmon	Skipjack Trevally	Sweetlip	Western Rock Blackfish	Wrasse	Snook	Total

Field Day top scores for 2015/16

Total scores calculated automatically by the field day scoring spreadsheet including July Field day and General meeting. Competition Rules section 2.4.5 specifies only the best 11 months out of 12 will count at the end of the competition year. The winners will be announced at the Presentation of Trophies in June 2016, and adjusted scores will be published after that. Names with equal scores are sorted alphabetically.

Name	Points	Rank	Name	Points	Rank	Name	Points	Rank
Peet Wessels	625.7	1	Paul Terpkos	128.4	10	Nic Terpkos	47.6	19
Peter Osborne	495	2	Ian Taggart	91.5	11	Slavka Schilo	45.5	20
Sandra Wessels	416	3	Jamie Reilly	75.7	12	Dean Stewart	42.6	21
Mark Nurse	365.2	4	David Maxted	69.6	13	Sarah Wignell	21	22
Shane Wignell	262.6	5	Michael Pisano	69.3	14	Thomas Wearmouth	21	23
Theo Van Niekerk	205	6	Pat McKeown	66.7	15	Geoff Raftis	20	24
Martin Wearmouth	201	7	Victor Schilo	55.2	16	Christian Wearmouth	10	25
Gary Parkinson	182.2	8	Scott Williamson	52.9	17			
George Holman	150.5	9	Glen Wong	51.8	18			

Field Day sections 2015/16

Up to and including July 2015 Field Day.

1A	Best scale fish (1st six months)	Gary Parkinson	Pink snapper	7.64kg	June
1B	Best scale fish (2nd six months)				
2	Most meritorious fish	To be awarded by Committee			
3	Best Shark (4.5kg min)				
4	Best Mulloway (2.0kg min)				
5	Best Tailor (1.0kg min)	Mark Nurse	Tailor	1.18kg	May
6	Best Salmon (3kg min)	Martin Wearmouth	Salmon	4.48kg	June
7	Best Skipjack Trevally (0.5 kg min)				
8	Best Mackerel (2kg min)				
9	Best Yellowtail Kingfish, Samson or Amberjack (4kg minimum)				
10	Best scale fish (other than above)	Peet Wessels	Baldchin Groper	1.84kg	May
11	Best bag of scale fish	Peet Wessels	Mixed bag	19.08kg	June
12	Best bag of Mulloway (2 fish min)				
13	Best bag of Tailor (2 fish min)	Peter Osborne	Tailor	3.87kg	May
14	Best fish on single handed rod (4kg line max)				
15	Best fish caught on fly rod				
16	Best fish caught on single handed rod (4kg line max) and a soft plastic lure				
17	Best fish caught on single handed rod (4kg line max) and a hard body lure				

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