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NEXT GENERAL MEETING:

The next General Meeting will be held in the Buffaloes' Hall, Onslow Road, Shenton Park on Wednesday 8th April 1970 at 8 p.m. sharp.

INSTRUCTION PERIOD:

At last month's meeting wome slides on Vietnam were to have been shown by one of our members. These slides will be shown at the next meeting. JIM STRONG has also offered to talk on Yallingup - our next field day Venue. We believe JIM is to tell how to catch fish there!

APRIL DRYCASTING:

Drycasting will be back to the normal 1st Sunday in the month on 5th April 1970 at 9.30 a.m. Being the last day of drycasting for the current competitive year BRIAN & LES are letting you sleep in for half an hour, longer than usual. See you at the Floreat Oval for usual events.

APRIL FIELD DAY(s):

The next field day(s) will be held at Yallingup on 11th & 12th April 1970. The weigh in point will be the caravan park opposite the Hotel. You may sign on from 12 o'clock onwards and fishing times will be from 4 p.m. Saturday to 8 a.m. Sunday.

" This could be a bumper weekend, as I hear of good schools of Salmon already on the move down south. Our mates from the Collie Angling Club will also be with us again, so be there to make them welcome. You can fish the beaches from Eagle Bay to Cowaramup.

The Caravan Park is usually free to our club, water is on tap, also showers etc., so please keep our good will here by keeping the site clean and please bury all your fish offal and dont leave it in the bins to Putrify.

Jack & Lofty, F.D.O.s.

1980-71 FIELD DAY(S) VENUES:

As advertised in the March Reel Talk a special Committee Meeting was held on Monday evening 23rd March to determine the field day venues for the next twelve months. Two only visitors attended and their suggestions were welcomed by the Committee. Approximately 24 members submitted suggestions for field days and we say thank you to those who did.

After much discussion the program was arranged and your Committee sincerely hope the changes made will be acceptable to all members and produce the desired result.

The Venues are:-

MAY	16-17th	-	ROTTNEST
JUNE L/W/E	30-31st-1st	-	WAGOE OR LUCKY :BAY
JULY	11-12th	-	GARDEN ISLAND
AUGUST	15-16th	-	ROTTNEST
SEPTEMBER	12-13th	-	ROTTNEST
OCTOBER L/W/E	10-11-12th	-	CERVANTES (Hill River)
NOVEMBER	14-15th	-	CERVANTES (Hill River)
DECEMBER	12-13th	-	WEDGE ISLAND
JANUARY	16-17th	-	PRESTON BEACH
FEBRUARY	13-14th	-	ROTTNEST
MARCH L/W/E	27-28th-1st	-	MURCHISON RIVER
APRIL	17-18th	-	MARGARET RIVER

FIELD DAY ON A FLAT-TOPPED TRUCK or The Ageless Panther by "ARCEE"

One cold night in February, 1953 Bert (Panther) Payne was walking along Swanbourne beach. He was empty handed and feeling a bit frustrated. The night had yielded nothing from the surf, and he was beginning to have nagging doubts whether his English fishing gear was of any use in this country.

Bert was used to greenheart rods and pasternosters, and he had fished all his life, in England and many other places before migrating here in 1949. But now he was at the angling cross-roads. He wasn't having much success, and he was going to have to do something about it. Just what he was going to do was decided by the fates there and then. He came upon two anglers who had company on the beach in the form of two mulloway and a shark.

The two were Noel Knight and Nelson Smith, and they both belonged to a fledging angling club, The Surf Casters, which had 11 members and conducted a drycasting day at Rosalie Park once a month. They asked Bert where he was from, showed interest in his angling problems and invited him to come along to Rosalie Park the next Sunday.

The day turned out to be quite a milestone for Bert. It persuaded him to throw away all his English gear and start afresh. He bought a split cane No. 1 Southam rod and Capstan multiplier geared reel from the great Gordon Hume, who also taught him how to use them. (Hume was a reasonable good man to learn from - he still holds the Australian record for mulloway - 96lbs.

At the next drycasting day, Bert's effort was 40 yards and he was proud of it. In those days, to cast 60 yards was a miracle - only the legendary Vic Davis, Noel Knight, Nelson Smith and Lloyd Dunn could do it.

Eventually after conquering backlash, Bert and other got up to 80 yds & finally there came a day when he took top honours with 132 yds using a Graham reel.

Nowadays, Bert Payne, who is 71 but not old, is a most experienced angler. He has been retired for six years and he spends nearly half of each year fishing. His favourite haunts are in the North West.

He has been a member of the Surf Casters for 17 years and its extremely interesting to hear him talk about the early days of the club.

Bert is very blunt about one thing: "I learnt everything from Vic Davis the greatest fisherman you've ever seen," he told me. "He showed me how to read a beach, make rigs, & how to play a big fish. He held the club together in those days & we looked up to him for inspiration."

The field days at that time were a far cry from the trips the club make now. Bert says that Yanchep was the farthest afield that they ventured. "The club used to hire a flat topped truck & the whole field day - all eleven of us would go on the truck," he says. Burns, Quinns & Yanchep were just sand tracks & even the truck used to get bogged.

One year Bert holidayed at Geraldton for 3 weeks & returned with wonderful tales of sharks & big fish at the mouth of the Greenough River. The club decided to hold a long weekend field day there, & the method of travel was the same - all aboard the flat topped truck. Only one trouble:- they caught No fish.

The club started going further south on field days. At Miami, Bert recalls Doug Edwards got a 64lb Mulloway on an 18lb line with 8 knots in it.

Then Bert did it to the mob again. He had been north & was taken to the mouth of the Murchison - by Land Rover from the homestead at Murchison House Station. In those days you made your own way across country into the Murchison - there was no road.

Hec Mainwaring had a few grass shacks on the estuary & 2 blokes named Finch & Brown (not Brownie) had a single shed with beds. "It was as rough as guts" says Bert. "They gave you a bed, made you some tucker & that was it. There were no facilities for women. It was men only."

Bert caught good tailor of the Chinaman, slimy cod and squire snapper, & went back with great tales again.

The club decided on a field day there, & the 11 members took 2 hour turns at the wheel of the flat topped truck on the drive there & back. Same result - no fish!

Bert says that those early long distance field days were great occasions. Because of the small membership, the club always travelled as one party and there was a strong bond of comradeship.

Now a days, Bert has other hobbies besides angling. He has a breath taking collection of gemstones from the North West, collects coral and shells, and he's an able photographer with his own darkroom.

Bert has 1700 slides, mainly of the North West, and showing wildflowers, landscapes and fishing.

His favourite fishing spots in the North West are Monkey Mia and Quobba. Bert and his wife Pearl travelling in a Toyota station waggon and towing a caravanette, now go to these spots and others four times a year for about six weeks at a stretch. And they've come back with some mighty fish. Bert at one stage held the State Spanish Mackerel record at 61½lb (he got 11 that trip), and four years ago he caught four big golden trevally in one outing - the biggest a 48 pounder. Another fish he's proud of is a 54½ lb cobia, or black kingfish, a great fighter according to everyone who has ever encountered them. And mulloway! "We got fed up catching them," says Bert. "An average trip yields 11 or 12 mulloway between 24 and 45 lb., and we always give them away because we arn't prepared to pay 3 cents a pound to freeze them."

In one fabulous night on the Monkey Mia jetty, Pearl Payne landed five pink snapper on 12lb line. They went 25,18,16,14 and 12 lbs. One of there most memorable exploits was landing two Spanish Mackerel (19,17½) which they hooked in the Geraldton ocean swimming pool.

Bert has fished hard in many spots that are a talking point within the club at the moment. He has high regard for Horrocks Beach, and is keen on Lucky Bay and Sandalwood Bay.

He has seen a boy land 14½lb. tailor at Horrocks, and says that eight and nine pounders are common.

Bert is still a keen clubman. He is the only man who has a complete record of every issue of Reel Talk from March, 1953 to the present day,

At one time he owned 15 rods and 11 reels and today he still has (ven good rods. Its interesting and good propagands for Alveys to note that at 71 he has joined the swing to side cast, after using every reel under the sun in the last 27 years. He's had Grahams, Capstans, Penns, Ambassadeurs (his favourite) and finally he's come home to roost with an Alvey.

If you can't lick em join 'em! But of course, being 71 isn't really a factor with Bert Payne. "I'll still be fishing when I'm 93, " he told me.

I believe him.

CASTING NEWS

Most casters would be content with one 'Bull' during the day, however, TONY SMITH doubled up. One in the S.A. ACC and the other in the D.H. ACC. 'Tinny Bugger!!'

A couple of members were heard to remark that it could be TONY'S pipe bringing him luck. This could be so, as he and the pipe are inseperable. These comments of course are just jealousy, with no foundation what-so ever. A Rose Briar pipe you say TONY! What tobacco was that?

Enough of this frivolity and on with the report. Twenty six hopeful members ventured onto the course to face up to the elements. One member was slightly late, because of this the A.D.C.A. was caught partly unprepared, and although the sections were laid out was without sheets and distances for the days events. (the D.H. ACC & S.H. ACC were only a few feet out from those scheduled). Quickly writing down names onto a pad in reasonable order, drawing up a few lines I had the semblance of a sheet, when, who should appear but BRIAN. Some excuse about an early morning finishing party and not being able to read the time correctly. Well that's your story BRIAN and you stick to it!

At this time the rain which had looked threatening started to fall. Most of the starters had water proof gear with them and no time was wasted in putting them on.

The S.H. Open was conducted under these conditions and the ultimate winner BOB TUCKER threw exceedingly well to register an easy victory. GEORGE HOLMAN and TOM CORCORON had an interesting duel for second place, with GEORGE gaining the honour. These three members were clearly superior to others in this event.

Congratulations to those three, as this was also the order of the final points in this event for the year.

As this event neared completion the shower faded away and the sun pushed its way through the clouds (poetic). Anyone for ginger beer? Not many takers.

Figuring prominently in most sections was our old friend HEW. HOY. HEW. It appeared from the results, as though HEW had put in plenty of practise since we last say him. He has lost none of his skill.

BOB TUCKER with a good points score took the honour for the day with HEW running second (not bad for a young fellow) and RON KILDAHL finishing third.

BOB now moves into fourth spot in the top ten, within two points of BOB TICHBON. An interesting tussle is taking place between DOUG TALBOT and BILL UTTING. DOUG has moved away a few more, points, however next month will give the final result.

Distances generally were down with a few exceptions in the L.L. Hcp, the longest cast going to BOB TUCKER with 377 feet (usually JOHN DEVITT or GRAHAM ROSS). BOB TICHBON threw well to give him the maximum points for this event, followed by my fishing buddy RUDY LERCH with 38 points (gradually coming back to top form) and the President RON KILDAHL with consistent casts to finish with 36 points in this section.

There is one chap who tried to improve his distance with a 8lb line (6lb knot strength) and a new 600 A3 Alvey, to no avail. He's called B.O B.O.

Casting with precision BILL UTTING established a new figure of 68/80 for this year D.H. Acc best, to win from BOB TUCKER, also with the good score of 60/80 and HEW (he bought the rain) finished third with 54/80.

As in the D.H. Acc, BOB TUCKER figured also in the S.H. Acc to win the 28/40. HEW moved up a peg here and finished in second place with 25/42 whilst HARVEY BARROTT, who only makes an occasional appearance cast well and finished third with 20/40.

Evidence of a night out is backed up by the score sheet and BRIAN did not fare too well (oh my head).

JOHN NUICH after a short spell in hospital appeared and whilst not spectacular sent down three easy casts in the L.L. Hcp, but his accuracy was astray.

Incurring the maximum penalties were GEORGE HOLMAN (has had his share of these lately) and new member TREVOR STAM.

BILL UTTING'S second cast of 72 feet did nothing to help his chance of pegging back DOUG in the top ten and one member was heard to ask "Any penalties in that one BILL?"



The strain of catching all those fish at the Murchy obviously had taken the toll on ERIC HILL. When he recuperates we should see a better result.

Next month is the last for the current year, the normal programme will be held, starting at 9.30 a.m. You can sleep in for a change.

Thanks to my assistants in our hour of need:

BRIAN & LES.

TOP TEN CASTERS:

1.	D. TALBOT	983	+	92	=	1075
2.	W. UTTING	982	+	88	=	1071
3.	R. TICHBON	865	+	82	=	947
4.	R. TUCKER	821	+	124	=	945
5.	G. HOLMAN	860	+	67	=	927
6.	R. KILDAHL	706	+	104	=	810
7.	L. REID	714	+	58	=	772
8.	I. McLENNAN	685	+	51	=	766
9.	G. ROSS	700	+	52	=	752
10.	R. LERCH	634	+	96	=	730

S.H. OPEN:

ULTIMATE TOP TEN

1.	R. TUCKER	854	+	245	=	1099
2.	G. HOLMAN	797	+	235	=	1032
3.	T. CORCORAN	710	+	231	=	941
4.	D. TALBOT	645	+	193	=	838
5.	W. UTTING	600	+	186	=	786
6.	L. REID	563	+	182	=	745
7.	R. TICHBON	516	+	157	=	673
8.	J. DEVITT	673	+	-	=	673
9.	R. LERCH	442	+	202	=	684
10.	O. LATTO	425	+	191	=	616

L.L. DISTANCE

	Pty.	1.	2.	3.	Tot	Ave.	Hcp.	Tot.	Pts.
R. TUCKER	21	376	364	377	1096	365	58	423	26
HEW HOY YEW	-	325	330	315	970	323	80	403	20
R. KILDAHL	-	296	311	301	908	303	131	434	36
R. LERCH	21	365	352	362	1083	346	94	440	38
D. TALBOT	-	327	316	309	952	317	115	432	34
W. UTTING	21	279	72	289	619	206	123	329	2
W. MORROW	42	349	342	354	1003	334	95	429	30
M. DAWSON	-	325	331	336	992	331	101	432	34
H. BARROTT	-	276	295	297	868	289	96	385	14
R. TICHBON	-	301	320	315	936	312	136	448	40
L. McLENNAN	21	313	278	290	860	287	140	427	28
T. CORCORAN	21	299	276	288	842	281	110	391	16
A. SMITH	-	273	B.O.	274	547	182	84	266	-
G. HOLMAN	63	334	306	327	904	301	67	368	8
D. LATTO	21	301	239	296	815	272	85	357	4
L. REID	-	299	B.O.	B.O.	299	100	112	212	-
H. NIEL	42	267	251	257	733	244	169	413	24
G. ROSS	21	B.O.	376	363	739	23-	21	260	-
A. McLAUGHLAN	-	268	284	281	833	278	152	430	32
T. STAM	-	200	244	204	585	195	180	375	10
B. PAYNE	21	221	217	244	661	220	180	400	18
J. NUICH	-	297	289	297	893	294	118	412	22
B. HANKS	21	280	289	314	862	287	90	377	12
E. PARKER	21	366	356	B.O.	701	234	89	323	-
E. HILL	42	333	306	303	900	300	65	365	6
J. STRONG	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

WINNER OF THE DAY

1. BOB TUCKER - 124 Points
2. HEW HOY YEW - 103 Points
3. RON KILDAHL - 104 Points

S.H. ACC

1. BOB TUCKER 28/40
2. HEW HOY YEW 25/40
3. HARRY BARROT 20/40

S.H. OPEN

1. BOB TUCKER 245 Points
2. GEORGE HOLMAN 235 Points
3. TOM CORCORON 231 Points

D.H. ACC

- BILL UTTING 68/80
- BOB TUCKER 60/80
- HEW HOY YEW 54/60

D.H. ACCURACY

D.H. ACCURACY					S.H. ACCURACY					Tot.	Inc.
1.	2.	1.	2.	Tot.	1.	2.	1.	2.	Pts.	Pts.	Att
18.	12	19	11	60	5	8	9	2	28	114	204
17	9	14	14	54	8	7	4	6	25	99	100
15	19	10	9	53	1	4	-	-	5	94	104
10	14	8	-	32	3	5	8	-	16	86	96
-	14	13	17	34	-	-	7	7	14	82	92
18	17	17	16	68	3	-	5	-	8	78	88
15	12	2	5	34	3	2	7	-	12	76	86
-	9	16	8	33	-	-	-	7	7	74	84
-	10	17	11	38	-	7	8	5	20	72	82
-	-	-	10	10	6	5	4	7	22	72	82
-	8	9	14	31	-	3	8	1	12	71	81
-	6	17	18	41	1'	-	5	6	12	69	79
4	20	12	9	45	10	2	-	6	18	63	73
13	9	3	9	34	4	-	5	6	15	57	67
14	6	9	18	47	-	-	2	1	3	54	64
-	15	11	12	38	-	-	3	7	10	48	58
-	-	-	19	19	-	3	-	-	3	46	56
-	10	16	-	26	3	6	7	-	16	42	52
-	-	-	-	-	-	6	1	-	7	39	49
7	-	-	-	22	-	6	-	-	6	38	48
-	-	3	-	3	-	5	-	-	5	26	36
-	2	-	-	2	-	-	-	2	1	25	35
2	3	1	-	6	-	2	-	4	6	24	34
-	1	-	16	17	-	-	-	-	3	20	20
-	-	-	13	13	-	-	1	-	1	20	30
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	3	3	13

L.L. DISTANCE HCP

1. BOB TICHBON 40 Points
2. RUDY LERCH 38 Points
3. RON KILDAHL 36 Points

LONGEST CAST

BOB TUCKER 377 feet.

COMPETITIONS FOR 1970/71 - SPORTSMAN OF THE YEAR AWARD

The method of computing the winner of this award for the last 12 months has proved to be completely satisfactory, & will remain the same for the ensuing year. Following is the allocation of points.

FIELD DAY:

Attendance 2 points each field day

- SECTION 1. Field Day Competition  
Top Ten - 1 to 10
  - SECTION 2. K. Mathews Trophies  
2 winners 3 points each 6
  - SECTION 4. Heaviest Shark 3
  - SECTION 5. Heaviest Mulloway 3
  - SECTION 6. Heaviest Tailor 3
  - SECTION 7. Heaviest Salmon 3
  - SECTION 8. Heaviest Skipjack 3
  - SECTION 9. Heaviest Scale Fish  
(other than above) 3
  - SECTION 10. Heaviest bag of  
Scale Fish 3
  - SECTION 11. Heaviest bag of  
Tailor 3
  - SECTION 12. Heaviest bag of  
Mulloway 3
  - SECTION 13. Heaviest fish on  
S.H. Rod 3
  - SECTION 14. Heaviest spanish  
mackeral 3
- 1 point to each award winner of  
Field Day.  
1 point to heaviest bag of fish.

CASTING DAY:

Attendance 2 pts each cast day

- Top Ten in points scored 1
  - Most points L/L distance 2
  - 2nd " " " " 1
  - Most points D.H. Acc. 2
  - 2nd " " " " 1
  - Most points S.H. Acc. 2
  - 2nd " " " " 1
  - Open Distance winner 2
  - S.H. open distance 2
  - D.H. Acc. Record broken 2
  - S.H. Acc. Record broken 2
- 1 point to each section  
winner on casting day.  
1 point to overall winner  
of day.

DRYCASTING COMPETITION 1970/71

There are no changes in this competition which has proved an excellent fight for top honours over the 1969/70 season.  
WEIGHT DISTANCE - maximum handicap 230 feet, handicaps to be revised twice yearly. Casting lane to be 30 foot wide at 50 yards and 50 ft wide at 140 yards with a penalty of 21 feet for casts outside the lane. Weight to be attached direct to line.

DOUBLE HANDED ACCURACY. Distance to be 66-86 yards and 40-62 yards.

SINGLE HANDED ACCURACY. " " " 38-45 " " 28-35 ""

OPEN DISTANCE 4 events during year using std. fishing gear. Best of two casts.

OPEN SINGLE HANDED DISTANCE 4 events during year, standard fishing gear - best of two casts.

FIELD DAY FISHING DIVISION 1970/71

The Fishing competition is to be divided into two divisions - A. Field Day Division, B. Open Division.

FIELD DAY DIVISION

- SECTION 1. Points per pound (including 10pts attendance.)
- SECTION 2. KEN MATHEWS TROPHY Heaviest scale fish - 2 periods of 6 months each.
- SECTION 3. MOST MERITOURIOUS CATCH nominated at end of season
- SECTION 4. HEAVIEST SHARK - Min weight 10 lbs.
- SECTION 5. HEAVIEST MULLOWAY - " " 5lbs.
- SECTION 6. HEAVIEST TAILOR - " " 5lbs.
- SECTION 7. HEAVIEST SALMON - " " 7lbs.
- SECTION 8. HEAVIEST TREVALLY - " " 2lbs.
- SECTION 9. HEAVIEST SCALE FISH  
OTHER THAN ABOVE. " " 2lbs.
- SECTION 10. HEAVIEST BAG OF SCALE  
FISH. " " 20lbs. legal length.
- SECTION 11. HEAVIEST BAG OF TAILOR " " 20lbs. " "
- SECTION 12. HEAVIEST BAG OF MULLOWAY" " 20lbs. " "
- SECTION 13. HEAVIEST FISH CAUGHT OF S.H. ROD Min 12 lbs.
- SECTION 14. HEAVIEST SPANISH MACKERAL min 12 lbs.

SECTION 15. OLD STALWARTS TROPHY. A trophy will be presented to the next member (over 45 yrs.) who does not win 1st, 2nd or 3rd in the pts. per pound.

JUNIOR FIELD DAY SECTION. Juniors eligible for any section above except Section 1, points per pound. Points per L.D. Section.

OFF SHORE ANGLING CLUB - FIELD DAYS 1970-71

April	11-12th	-	Timms (Radius)
May	9-10th	-	Yallingup
June L/W/E	30-31-1st	-	Pemberton
July	11-12th	-	Ledge-Wedge
August	8-9th	-	Boranup
Sept.	5-6th	-	Green Island
October L/W/E	10-11-12th	-	Yallingup
Nov.	7-8th	-	Moore River
Dec.	5-6th	-	Jurien Bay
Jan. L/W/E	25-26-27th	-	Mount Barker
Feb.	6-7th	-	Cape Leschenault
March L/W/E	27-28-1st	-	Reef Beach

MURCHISON FIELD DAY:

Left home at 7 a.m. in ARTHUR HORTON'S Landrover & made the ice depot only to find that we had left the cartons of Swan on the front path. A hasty return and two relieved fishermen found that we had beaten the milko to them. Packing complete we made for Kalbarri at last.

Made good time to Marchagee, and had just pulled out only to get a rock on my section of the windscreen. Had it repaired at Geraldton and lost an hour or so. We filled up at Northampton Shell station and had a chat with the treasurer of the club, who advised me that some members would be at the Murchison.

We found BOB & MARGARET LILY hale and fit, and just as helpful as ever. Settled in our caravan at Red Bluff and back to BOB's store to discuss Field Day arrangements over a cold beer.

Saturday morning fine and cool as was the weather throughout the weekend. A tour around a we discovered quite a few chaps already in so I relieved them of their fees.

We found that as usual iron man GEORGE was in trouble, this time with a plague of boils or carbuncles. However this didn't stop him fishing and a discussion on how to stop him fishing bought forth the suggestion that he be tied down by his boils. This caused some merriment.

Whenever ARTHUR & I got thirsty we dropped in and gave the boils a squeeze and were provided with a cold can by MAY & LESLEY who were trying to get GEORGE fit with doses of hospital brandy. He sure perked up. What a lovely complaint.

Saturday saw 30 signed on and away we went some to Frustration Reef, Oyster Reef and Red Bluff beaches. The Weigh in at 9o'clock gave promise of the fish to come. ERIC HILL came in with a burst of mulloway to take the lead and was never headed. He fished all night for 2 nights and deserved his winning bag of 164½ lbs. He was well trained for this effort by his pa-in-law who couldn't sleep either as he was beset by a dose of the Murchison River Trays. Our first aid kit will be stocked to deal with this as well as fish hooks and boils.

GEORGE HOLMAN & ERIC SULLWAN had 2 good whalers with only 1 lb between them, and GEORGE had a big mulloway.

Sunday and still the fish were around. Frantic action up near Jakes Corner, and we saw LES REID with rod and back well bent. A nice 33lbs spanish mackerel was gaffed, and the coverted fish badge was won by LES. Congrats! RUDY got a small one as well. ERIC HILL beached one and VAL PARIERA came in with a good bag as well.

Tailor were scarce & NORRIE CROSS did best with 14lb 10oz from the Blue Hole one morning.

TED SAVAGE & RON MANSFIELD had a lean time but I suspect that they went to bed early to rise early and be first to that cray pot in a hole in the reef. Had a nice grilled tailor lunch with them.

Oyster & Frustration Reefs were well patronised, and big sharks made short work of mulloway rigs.

I heard that DOUG TALBOT found a good hole but kept falling into it instead of fishing in it.

ERIC PARKER found that big shark quite a handful, but had plenty of advice from well wishers, perhaps an "occo" grafted on the right wrist would give you enough fingers Eric.

A quite chap named ALAN, went over and casually winched in 2 mulloway weighing 14lb with much rejoicing in the LACHLAN clan. The beach from Red Bluff to Jakes Corner was also very productive and a few fish from the Blue Holes and Chinamans.

Ballooning from Red Bluff was hazardous due to the crayboats anchored in close. A welcome change to a field day producing good fish and good time was had by all, even if some didn't catch a fish, and some were a bit unorthodox such as Hew, who snared a mullet on a spinner.

Apart from the fishing it was a good social occasion as all were fishing within a five mile area.

There were other highlights the outstanding being bar room ballads rendered by baritones Bridger & Bunnett. Most performers these days sit on stools, so the use of the shower cubicle floor showed a nice departure from T.V. normalacy. The lateness of the hour may have detracted somewhat from the appreciation of the non club listeners.

TONY BRENDON the president of the Northampton Club was camped next to us at Ted Bluff and we had a long discussion on the possibility of a joint venue in June. This has been agreed to by the committee, so I would like all interested to attend the next meeting and I will report further.

He also gave ARTHUR & I a map sketch to get into WAGOE BEACH which we used resulting in a 45lb of tailor in one hours fishing, the biggest being 9½lbs.

We went back again next day and did some exploring for the clubs benefit, and caught a couple more tailor about 2 & 5 lbs for dinner, which ARTHUR promptly cooked, and boy if you havn't tasted ARTHUR'S tailor cooked in Betty Sydney bread crumbs you havn't lived yet.

Se ended a most successful and happy field day thanks to all members for there co-operation and the help given me by BOB LILY.

See you at Yallingup next month.

Jack & Lofty. F.D.S.

ATTENDANCES & FISH CAPTURES: March Field day at Murchison

ERIC HILL	Mulloway/Sharks/Sp.Mackeral	164½lbs
GEORGE HOLMAN	Sharks/Mulloway	93¼lbs
LES REID	Sp.Mackeral/Mulloway	64 lbs
VAL PAREIRA	Cod/Mulloway/Sharks	59¼lbs
R. LERCH	Sp.Mackeral/Mulloway/Sharks	41 lbs
A. McLACHLAN	Mulloway	41 lbs
J. HILTON	Mulloway/Tailor/Shark	33 lbs
B MEWS	Mulloway	34¼lbs
E. SULLIVAN	Shark	36½lbs
D. STAFFORD	Mulloway/Tailor	21 lbs
B. UTTING	Tailor/Shark	7½lbs
T. SAVAGE	Tailor	2 lbs
R. MANSFIELD	Tailor	5½lbs
W. MORROW	Tailor/Sharks	22¼lbs
N. CROSS	Tailor	12¼lbs
K.R. JONES	Mulloway	17½lbs
D. TALBOT	Mulloway/Shark	17½lbs
N. RENSHAW	Shark	28½lbs
L. GRIFFITHS	Mulloway	18½lbs
T. BRENDON (Visitor)	Mulloway	16½lbs

Others in attendance

J. HARVEY	J. PILGRIM	B. BRIDGER
A. HORTON	D. POLLARD	HEW HOY HEW
R. LILY	G. HOOD	ERIC PARKER
R. KILDAHL	A. BUNNETT	N. RISBEY

ATTENDANCE: 31 were present.TOTAL POUNDAGE CAUGHT: 716 ¾ lbsAWARD WINNERS:

Heaviest Scale Fish - G. HOLMAN - 35½lbs Mulloway.

Heaviest Bag - E. HILL - 164½lbs.

Heaviest Shark - E. SULLIVAN - 36½ Blue Whaler.



FISHING COMPETITION - FIELD DAY SECTION

SECTION 1. Points per pound. Ten points for attendance  
One point per pound of scale fish. All fish  
to be legal length. One point per pound  
for eligible sharks, excluding Port Jackson,  
Wobbly, Fiddle, etc.

G. HOLMAN 445 Points  
R. LERCH 409 Points  
L. REID 357 Points P. MARSH (Junior) 184 Points.  
G. BASKERVILLE 265 Points  
D. TALBOT 231 Points

SECTION 2. HEAVIEST SCALE :FISH - 2nd six months

G. HOLMAN - 35½ lb Mulloway, MURCHISON

SECTION 3. MOST METORIOUS FISH

(Nominated at end of season by Committe)

SECTION 4. HEAVIEST SHARK

G. HOLMAN - 35½ lb Bronze Whaler, MURCHISON

SECTION 5. HEAVIEST MULLOWAY - Min weight 5lbs

G. HOLMAN - 35½lb Mulloway, MURCHISON

SECTION 6. HEAVIEST TAILOR

G. HOLMAN - 6lb 9oz Tailor - ROTTNEST ISLAND

SECTION 7. HEAVIEST SALMON - Min weight 7lb

L. REID - 10½lbs - GARDEN ISLAND

SECTION 8. HEAVIEST TREVALLY

S. TATE - 3lbs 9oz - Skippy - ROTTNEST ISLAND

SECTION 9. HEAVIEST SCALE FISH OTHER THAN ABOVE.

J. DEVITT - Jewfish - 39¼lb - Garden Island.

SECTION 10. HEAVIEST BAG OF SCALE FISH CAUGHT ON FIELD DAY

Min weight 20 lbs.

E. HILL - 149 3/4 lbs - Murchison

SECTION 11. HEAVIEST BAG OF MULLOWAY - Min weight 20lbs

E. HILL - 144 lbs - Murchison

SECTION 12. HEAVIEST BAG OF TAILOR - Min weight 20 lbs

G. BASKERVILLE - 21lbs - Tailor.

SECTION 13. HEAVIEST SCALE FISH CAUGHT ON S.H. ROD - Max 12lbs

B.S. Line of 36 g.g. line.

L. GRIFFITHS - Salmon - 7 3/4 lbs - Garden Island.

SECTION 14. HEAVIEST SPANISH MACKERAL

LES REID - 33lbs - Murchison.

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FISHING COMPETITION - OPEN DIVISION - MAY 1969/1970

Entries to be submitted on correct form in the hand of the Recorder within 30 days of capture. Entry forms are available from any Committee Member.

SECTION 1. MOST MERITORIOUS FISH

To be nominated at the end of current competition by Committee.

SECTION 2. HEAVIEST SHARK

T. FULLER - Bronze Whaler 48½lbs - Kalbarri.

SECTION 3. HEAVIEST MULLOWAY

D. TALBOT - 25lbs - Jurien Bay South.

SECTION 4. HEAVIEST SALMON

K.R. JONES 11 3/4 lbs - Mandurah

SECTION 5. HEAVIEST JEW FISH

No Entry

SECTION 6. HEAVIEST TAILOR

C. BUCHANAN - 12 lbs 4 ozs - Leighton

SECTION 7. HEAVIEST SALMON FISH

No Entry

SECTION 8. HEAVIEST SCALE FISH CAUGHT ON S.H. ROD - Max 12lbs

B.S. Line of 35 g.g. line

No Entry.

SECTION 9. HEAVIEST SNAPPER

E. HILL - 4lbs 10ozs - Kalbarri

SECTION 10. HEAVIEST TARWHINE (silver bream)

H.S. WICKERSON - 2lb 2oz - Swanbourne

SECTION 11. HEAVIEST SPANISH MACKERAL

K.R. JONES - 38 1/2 lbs - Port Samson.

SECTION 12. HEAVIEST TREVALLY (Southern) Min weight 2lbs

D.E. SAVAGE - 7lbs 6oz - Esperence.

SECTION 13. HEAVIEST NORTHERN TREVALLY - Min weight 12lbs

A. TICKLIE - 24lbs - Learmouth.

SECTION 14. HEAVIEST PIKE

N.S. WILKERSON - 3lbs 7oz - Cockburn Sound Groyne.

SECTION 15. HEAVIEST FISH (Scale) other than above - Excluding

D.E. SAVAGE - 2 1/4 lb King George Whiting - Section 1

Esperence.