

February 1961

The February meeting of the Club will be held in the National Fitness Council Pavilion, 50 James Street Perth, on Wednesday the 8th commencing at 8. pm. sharp.

INSTRUCTION PERIOD:

It is hoped to have Mr Jim Munroe of the Fisheries Dept. to give us a lecture on this night. In the event of the unavailability of Mr Munroe, Noel Knight will give a talk on the Maintenance and stripping of geared reels.

LAST INSTRUCTION PERIOD.

The last Instruction period took the form of a lecture on knots, rigs etc and was most capably given by Hal Cook. Our thanks go to Hal for his lecture which was most interesting and informative. (It was a pity that there were not too many of the newer members present for I'm sure they would have learned a lot from Hal's lecture.(Ed).

NEW COMMITTEE MEMBER:

At the last Committee Meeting a nomination for Committee was received for N. W. CLARKE. As no other nomination for Committee has been sent in Norm was unanimously elected to the position. Congratulations to you Norm .

LAST COMMITTEE MEETING:

This was held at the residence of Arthur and Mrs Backhouse and our thanks go to Mrs Backhouse and the ladies for a very nice supper.

NOTICE RE LIBRARY BOOKS:

As all library books are not being returned at each General Meeting , the Committee have decided to impose a fine of 1/- per week that the books are held out. This is considered essential as other members are being deprived of those books which are not returned.

NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING:

This will be held at the residence of Bob and Mrs. Tichbon on Wednesday the 15th February 1961.

FISHING COMPETITIONS:

As the present fishing competitions will close on the 30th April 1961 new competitions will have to be formulated by the May issue of Reel Talk. Any member who may have a suggestion for sections to be included in the new competitions are invited to submit them to the recorder as soon as possible so that the Committee may organise the new competitions without further delay.

New entry forms for all competitions will be available at the next General Meeting, and these must be completed in every detail or they are liable to be rejected by the recorder.

DRY CASTING FOR FEBRUARY.

Re open event.

There are plenty of 4 oz weight sinkers available but there is a shortage at present of lighter weight sinkers. Therefore any member who wishes to cast a lighter weight than 4 ozs is requested to supply his own sinkers for the February casting day. Arrangements are in hand for supplies of the lighter weights to be available for the March casting day.

DRY CASTING DATE FOR APRIL:

AS Easter Sunday falls on the first Sunday in April the April Casting day has been put forward to the second Sunday of that month.

A barbecue will be held at the Presidents residence on Friday 17th February at 8. pm. In order that full catering arrangements can be made , and as the number of persons attending is limited to approximately 70 persons only those members who have submitted their names at the February meeting together with the sum of 11/- per person will be eligible to attend. No applications will be received after this meeting as suitable catering arrangements cannot be made at any short notice and it is not desirable to collect money during the evening.

All persons attending are requested to wear or bring a pair of flat heeled or rubber soled shoes for use on the Battington Court.

These nights have in the past been restricted to Committee and Ex Committee members , but the President feels an opportunity should be given to the newer members wives to become acquainted with each other, so hurry up and get your names in as soon as possible.

Prior bookings may be made by ringing the President or the Social Organiser.

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SOCIAL NOTES:

A picnic will be held at Palm Beach on Sunday March the 19Th, 1961. There will be Ginger Beer, Lollies, Ice Cream and prizes for the kiddies.

There will also be competitions for the ladies and Gents. Members are requested to bring their single handers only , and also their own blobs.

The picnic will commence at 11. am. All members who are going please notify Ken Wiggins, the Club Social Organiser of the number of children in the family so as arrangements can be made for adequate supplies of Goodies, for the kids. Charge 7/6 a family.

FIELD DAY JANUARY 1961:

The January Field Day was held at the Moore River over the weekend of the 14/15th January 1961 with the following members attending.

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| K. Mulvay. | N. Giles. | J. Strong. | K. Hawker. |
| C. Crouch. | N. Crouch. | H. Muirson. | I. McLennan. |
| N. Wilkerson. | N. Clarke. | M. Lee. | D. Savage. |
| T. Savage. | T. Robinson. | R. Porter. | A. Livesey. |
| S. Tate. | D. Wright. | B. Jensen. | M. Doscas. |
| R. Tichbon. | J. Bellman. | D. Henderson. | R. McQueen. |
| A. Rutland. | B. Lilly. | D. Newton. | T. Elliss. |
| R. Shirley. | B. Tucker. | A. Backhouse. | B. Mews. |
| B. Payne. | F. VanZalen. | H. Gregory. | |

VISITORS:

A. Chappell. Mal Eaglestone. T. Topina.

JUNIORS:

Mike Porter. Lynette Crouch. A. Crouch. Stan Morris. Robert Muirson. Michael Lee. Garry Lee. Greg Wright. Bill Newton.

LADIES:

Mrs Crouch . Mrs Lee . Mrs Jensen.

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AWARD WINNERS ARE AS FOLLOWS.

HEAVIEST SCALE FISH. Jim Strong, Alf Rutland and Norm Clarke shared this award with a Tailor of 2½ lbs. Each received 15/-.

HEAVIEST BAG OF SCALE FISH:

Ray Porter. 33 Tailer weighing 30 lbs. Awarded £1.

There was no entry in the shark or ray section.

JUNIOR AWARD. Bill Newton. 1 Tailer. 1 Sea Trump.
Total Weight. 2lbs. Awarded 5/-.

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Following is a list of members who caught fish and details of their catches.

Ray Porter.	33 Tailer.	33. lbs.
Hugh. Gregory.	35 " 1 Herring.	27. "
John Bellman.	34 "	25. "
Dave Wright.	23 "	23 $\frac{1}{2}$. "
Snow Tate.	19 "	18 $\frac{1}{2}$. "
Noel Wilkerson.	17 "	13. "
Bob Jensen.	9 " 2 Flathead.	10. "
Norm Clarke.	8 "	8. "
Bob Tichbon.	7 "	8. "
Bob Tucker.	6 "	7. "
Mick Lee.	5 Tailer.	6 $\frac{1}{2}$. "
Bob Lilly.	5 "	5. "
Alf Rutland.	4 "	5. "
Jim Strong.	3 "	4 $\frac{1}{2}$. "
Bert Payne.	5 "	4. "
Mick Discas.	2 "	4. "
Tom Robinson.	5 "	4. "
Nick Crouch.	Mixed bag.	3. "
Frank VanZalen.	2 Tailer.	3. "
Ted Savage.	4 Tailer.	3. "
Kevin Hawker.	3 "	2 $\frac{1}{2}$. "
Darrell Henderson.	3 "	2. "
Bill Newton. (Junior).	1 " . I. Sea Trump.	2. "
Mal Eaglestone. (Pros. Memb.).	2 Tailer.	2. "
Ron Shirley.	Mixed bag.	1 $\frac{1}{2}$. "
C. Crouch.	2 Tailer.	1 $\frac{1}{2}$. "
Norm Giles.	1 "	1. "
Greg Wright. (Junior).	2 Bream .	1. "
Doug Newton.	1 Tailer.	1. "
Arthur Backhouse.	1 "	1 $\frac{1}{2}$. "

Total weight of scale fish caught on the field day was 246 $\frac{1}{2}$ lbs.

FIELD DAY MOORE RIVER JANUARY 1961.

The January Field Day was held at the Moore River over the weekend of the 14/15th, with 35 members, 3 prospective members and 8 juniors attending. A good roll up for the first field day of the year.

As usual the Moore was lousy with weed, owing to the South Westerly which was blowing, but fortunately one or two spots were found to be fishable. Several of the members had their families with them, and though it was very hot and the flies troublesome, all had a good time.

The best fishing spot turned out to be a sunken reef which was situated approximately three miles North of the mouth of the Moore, and apparently this spot was known to some, for some good hauls of Tailer were made at this locality. Snow Tate, Alan Livesey, Ray Porter and Davey Wright came prepared with trailer and ice box which incidently they filled with Tailer. Davey was worn out after the three mile trek to and from the reef and he vowed that he would never walk it again.

As usual "Panther" was observed holding court and had the boys in fits of laughter. No doubt he was still telling tales about the whopper Salmon he catches ????? down south. There's no doubt about him. He's still the best liar the club has.

It was pleasing to see John Bellman and Hugh Gregory back on the field days. They too had an ice box and were fortunate in being able to fill it with Tailer. (I'm satisfied that an ice box is an essential item for field days to places like the Moore).

At the commencement of the field day the boys could be seen spread out along the beach, but owing to the weed most gave it away by about nine and returned to camp. After partaking of suppa and a cuppa the boys either stood around and yarned or viewed the concert which was being conducted at the Moore River by the Guilderton Progress Association.

After the completion of the concert, and the noise of people departing for home had ceased, the boys bedded down with the intention of an early start in the morning. Many had certainly made an earlier start than I expected for, upon my awakening at 4. a.m. I found that several members had already departed for the reef. It wasn't long before the remainder of the camp were awake and in high spirits prepared for the mornings fishing and then departed to the beach.

Conditions were now much more favourable for the breeze had swung around to the east, and upon my arrival at the beach I observed the boys hurling Mulies and various other baits, endeavouring to raise a fish or two. However the weed was still very prevalent in the surf and only a few Tailer fell foul of the members hooks.

Alf Rutland managed to bag a $2\frac{1}{2}$ lb Tailer in the morning (which I might add, shared the heaviest scale fish award) and old Quackhouse was heard to moan that it was a stray. (It was. Ed). Bob Jensen succeeded in beaching several Tailer near the mouth of the river, but Nick and Charlie Crouch, along with Kevin Hawker and several other members were not so fortunate for at weigh in time they had very little fish to weigh in.

As weigh in time approached, the boys returned to camp and several nice bags were placed on the scales for weighing. However the fish were small and would only average around the pound mark. The boys then returned from the reef (weary from the long and hot walk back) but were still smiling as the Tailer had again been biting well and all who fished the reef got Tailer.

After assisting "Panther" up the hill to the weigh in centre, (His bag was very heavy) his insistance that the bag and all be weighed aroused my curiosity, and upon examination of the contents of the bag it was found to contain several rocks, miscellaneous fishing gear and other sundry items, in the middle of which I found 5 little Tailer which weighed 4 lbs. (This guy is always up to something.). He then had the cheek to approach the members who were waiting to have their fish weighed and inquired. Now boys surely you're not going to weigh in those Tailer I gave you are you?

Ø No doubt about you Panther . You've got a hide as tough as some of those tigers you shot in India.(Ed).

Shortly after the weigh in Panther and Old Quacky took some colour slides of the boys and these should be worth seeing at our next film evening.

As it was now getting pretty hot, some of the lads refreshed themselves with a quick dip in the river, or under the shower and then the cars were loaded and the members wended their way homewards. So closed another field day. All who attended had a good time and are looking forward to the next one which will be held at Quinns beach over the weekend of the 11/12th February. Dont forget chaps. Members must report in to me PERSONALLY before commencing to fish on any field day. If a member has not reported to me withing the allocated time for doing so, then he will be deemed to be absent from the field day.

(As cars have to be parked at land based field day venues, and the area for fishing is whatever distance you can walk from the designated venue, there is no reason why any member cannot report personally to Jim, so please co-operate chaps. Your field day organiser has enough to do as it is without having to chase you along the beach for your name and two bob, so please co-operate with Jim and make his job easier. It's not much too ask of you.(Ed).

Before closing off my report a little on the next field day venue Quinns Beach. Members must report in to me at the Club sign(which will be erected at the junction of the coast road and the road in from Wanneroo road) between 3-30p and 4 pm. Weigh in will take place between 8-am and 8-30 am on Sunday morning.

Hope to see you all there lads.

Jim Strong.

Field Day Organiser.

A NOTE RE ICE BOXES:

On looking around Perth I have located what I think may be suitable for making ice boxes. These are ex navy shell cases which appear to be well lined. They are half the size of the army hot boxes and may be procured from Shimensons, Corner of Pier & Wellington Streets at a cost of 25/- each. Any member interested should pop in and have a look at them as there is a limited number left.

CLUB RECORD CAPTURE BOOK:

In order to bring our Club Record Capture Book up to date, the recorder has, after a good deal of research into the catches which can be fully authenticated, submitted the following ^{List} which will comprise the nucleus of our new record book. Although we have many shark captures listed, only those which are unimpeachable have been included and all shark sections other than those listed are thrown open for future catches. The new entry forms which will be available shortly must be completed in every detail repeat detail and in the case of a shark entry a tooth of the shark must be forwarded with the entry as well as a clear photograph. As this record book will probably be one of the main means of recording captures with rod and reel for this state I am anxious that all entries will undergo the most searching investigation as to their authenticity.

Hal Cook.
Recorder.

Fish listed as captured are accepted as a basic weight to be exceeded before a certificate of capture is issued as details are insufficient for the Recorder to consider them as Club records.

As our new entry forms for club records will closely follow the standard for State Record requirements any fish eligible will be entered for a state record by the Recorder if the member so desires.

Set out on the following page is the list submitted by the recorder.

YELLOWTAIL KINGFISH. Length 56 inches. Girth 28 inches.
Weight. 54 lbs.

Caught by Les Ellis at Yanchep May 17th 1959.

BARRACOUTA. Length 36 inches. Girth 9 inches.
Weight 4 lbs 6 ozs.

Caught by Merv Britten at Cozy Corner July 20th 1960.

WESTRALIAN JEWFISH. Length 46 inches. Girth 44 inches.
Weight. 44 lbs.

Caught by Vic Davis at Rottnest May 14th 1960.

SALMON. Length $30\frac{1}{2}$ inches. Girth 20 inches. Weight. 14 lb 1 oz.

Caught by Vic Davis at Rottnest on August 12th 1960.

HERRING. Weight. 1 lb 7 ozs.

Caught by Norrie Cross at Torpedo Rocks April 27th 1960.
Entered as captured. (Basic weight only).

KING GEORGE WHITING. Weight $2\frac{1}{2}$ lbs.

Caught by Vic Davis at Rottnest February 1st 1960.
Entered as captured. (Basic weight only).

FLATHEAD. Weight. 5 lb.

Caught by Bob Jensen at Garden Island Sept. 1959.
Entered as captured. (Basic weight only).

RED MORWONG. Weight $2\frac{1}{2}$ lbs.

Caught by Vic Davis at Rottnest March 7th 1960.
Entered as captured. (Basic weight only).

QUEEN SNAPPER. Weight 5 lbs.

Caught by Vic Davis at Cozy Corner 27th June 1955.
Entered as captured. (Basic weight only).

SNAPPER. Length $41\frac{1}{2}$ inches. Girth $29\frac{1}{2}$ inches. Weight 35 lbs 5 ozs.
Caught by Alan Werner at Waikiki on November 19th 1953.

MULLOWAY. (RIVER KINGFISH). Length 57 inches. Girth 31 inches.
Weight 64 lbs.

Caught by Doug Edward at Mandurah on October 9th 1954.

BLACK BREEM. Length 18 inches.
(Southern Bream).

Caught by Hugh Gregory from Swan River on October 3rd 1954.

RAINBOW TROUT. Length 24 inches. Girth $14\frac{1}{2}$ inches. Weight 6lb 6ozs.

Caught by Fraser White at Jarrahdale on October 24th 1954.

PIKE. Length 38 inches. Girth 9 inches. Weight 6 lb 2 ozs.

Caught by Vic Davis at Rottneest on December 24th 1954.

TALLER. Length $34\frac{1}{2}$ inches. Girth $17\frac{1}{2}$ inches. Weight. 13 lbs 8 ozs.

Caught by A. W. McDonnell at Triggs Island on January 19th 1955.

BLUE GROPER. Length 42 inches. Girth 34 inches. Weight. 58 lbs.

Caught by Vic Davis at Rottneest on January 6th 1955.

SILVER TREVALLY. Length 31 inches. Girth 18 inches. Weight. 12 lbs.

Caught by W Cooper at Triggs Island on 16th September 1955.

STINGRAY. Weight. 124 lbs.

Caught by Vic Davis at Rottneest in 1955.

TARWHINE. Length. 12½ inches. Girth 7½ inches. Weight. 21b 12ozs.
Caught by Bert Payne at Triggs Island January 1960.
This weight was equalled by A. E. Coleman Doscas.

WHITE POINTER RAY. Length 66 inches. Girth 24 inches. Weight 60lbs.
Caught by Kevin Hawker at Quinns Rocks on November 28th 1959.

HAMMERHEAD SHARK. Weight. 40 lbs.
Caught by Alan Eagan at Moore River on June 16th 1960.

GREY NURSE SHARK. Weight. 140 lbs.
Caught by Vic Davis.

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Who was the member who went on a fishing trip to Dewars, and after catching a swag of Tailer placed them in a canvas bag with ice for the return trip to Perth. The trouble was it was a stinking hot day. The ice melted and as the bag was in the boot of the car, the day so hot that by the time this character got his fish home they were cooked. I really mean cooked for upon taking them out of the bag when he arrived home he found that his fish were boiled to perfection and ready to serve. What next?????????

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To John Meinerney and his wife I would like to extend on behalf of the Committee and Members of the Club, our very best wishes on the long awaited arrival of a little Gaff Boy. Congratulations John.(Ed).

Copy of letter received by Ray Porter from the Curator of the
W. A. Museum.

Dear Mr. Porter,

There has been some delay in the identification of the big fish picked up by you at Yanchep beach, and presented to the Museum. This is mainly due to the fact that during the greater part of December I was away, but also because the fish was of a species entirely unknown to me.

I have now identified it as Centrolophus maoricus, belonging to the family Nomeidae. This Latin may mean little to you, but I am afraid that the fish has no common name.

In Australia this fish has, as far as I am aware, been recorded only once, in or about 1919, when a specimen of 740mm length was found washed up on a beach at Crookhaven, New South Wales. Your specimen is not only a new record for Western Australia, but it also extends the known range of the species over thousands of miles and moreover is the largest example ever recorded.

The preceding lines will have made clear to you how important an addition to our collection the specimen is and I want to express my sincere gratitude and appreciation of the fact that you have taken the not inconsiderable trouble of collecting and preserving this large fish, and that you have donated it to the museum.

Yours sincerely,

Signed G. F. Mees, Curator.

Note: - 740mm equals 28.860 inches.

FIELD DAY FISHING COMPETITION:

SECTION I. POINTS PER POUND.

1. S. Tate.	227.	6. B. Tucker.	123.
2. A. Livesey.	194.	7. N. Crouch.	113.
3. R. Porter.	180.	8. D. Savage.	108.
4. N. Giles.	138.	9. R. Shirley.	103.
5. J. Strong.	129.	10. D. Wright.	100.

Full details of members points will be published next month.

SECTION 2. - Ken Matthews Trophy. Heaviest Scale Fish.

R. Jensen. 14 lb Jewfish Nov. Field Day Tims Thicket.

SECTION 3. - Best Effort. Weight of Scale Fish over line ratio.

No entry.

SECTION 4. - Heaviest Mulloway.

L. Tate. 6 lb Mulloway caught on Nov. F. D. Tims Thicket.
N. Giles.

SECTION 5. - Heaviest Tailer.

N. Cross. $5\frac{1}{2}$ lb taken on Oct F. D. Garden Isle.

SECTION 6. - Heaviest Salmon.

A. Livesey. 8 lb Salmon each.
R. Mcqueen.

Section 7. - Heaviest Fish other than above.

N. Wilkerson. $3\frac{1}{2}$ lb Snook on Oct. F. D.

Section 8. - Heaviest Shark or Ray. Wobbies, Carpeties and Port Jacksons Excluded.

R. Wilton. Each with a 35 lb Ray.
D. Savage.

SECTION 9. - Heaviest Fish caught on Art. Lure. S.H. or D.H. Rod.

N. Wilkerson. 1 lb Tailer on spinner. Caught on Jan. F. D.

SECTION 10.- Heaviest Multiple catch of Salmon or Tailer on any one Field Day.

A. Livesey. 31 Tailer weighing 60 lbs. Taken on Dec. F. D.

SECTION 11.- Phil Oldfield Trophy. Heaviest Tailer caught by Junior

Garry Davidson. 2 lb Tailer Caught at G. Island on Dec. F.D.

SECTION 12.- Phil Oldfield Trophy. Heaviest bag of scale fish caught by a Junior.

Mike Porter. 24 Gardies weighing 5 lbs caught on Aug. F. D.

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OPEN FISHING COMPETITION:

SECTION 1. - John Bellman Trophy. Best Effort. Weight of fish over line ratio. (Scale Fish Only).

R. Porter. 46 lb Y. T. Kingfish caught on a 15 lb line at Dewars on 12/11/60. Mulie Bait. Length 49 ins. Girth. 28 ins.

SECTION 2. - Mick Lee Trophy. Heaviest Shark or Ray.

J. Graham. 65 lb Ray on 44 lb line.

Section 3. - Henry Bester Trophy. Heaviest Mulloway.

V. Davis. 36 lb Mulloway caught at Fremantle wharf 12/12/60. Length 41 inches. Girth 26 inches.

N. Knight. 36 lb Mulloway caught at Nedlands.

(Looks like a battle of the giants between these fellas.)
Get to it boys. You've only a couple of months left.

SECTION 4. - N & C Crouch and K Hawker Trophy. Heaviest Tailer.

J. Bellman. 9 lb Tailer on 19½ lb line. Murchison River.

Section 5. N. Knight and John Mcinerney Trophy. Heaviest Salmon.

V. Davis. 14 lb 1 oz Salmon taken at Rottnest.

SECTION 6. - Vic Davis Trophy. Heaviest W. A. Jewfish.

W. Thompson. 38 lb Jewfish taken on 44 lb line. Rottnest.

SECTION 7. - Merv Britten Trophy. Heaviest Y. T. Kingfish.

R. Porter. 46 lb Y. T. Kingie on 15 lb line.

SECTION 8. - Doug Edward Trophy. Heaviest fish other than above.

B. Lilly. 18 lb 9½ oz Snapper taken on 29 lb line.

SECTION 9. - Ken Wiggins and Blue Hampton Trophy.

Heaviest Fish on Spinner. Art Lure. S.H. or D.H. Rod.

M. Britten. 21½ lb Mulloway. 15 lb line. Length 35 ins. Girth 23½.
(Taken on Spinner at 4. am. D. H. Rod.

SECTION 10. - Alan Egan and J. Graham Trophy. Heaviest Multiple catch of Salmon 24 hour period. (Mid to Mid).

V. Davis. 309 lb Salmon taken on Spinner at Rottnest.

SECTION 11. - Mick Doscas Trophy. Most Meritorious Catch.

Fish to be nominated by Committee.

Results not for publication.

SECTION 12. - Vic Davis Trophy for Juniors. Heaviest Shark or Ray caught by a junior.

No Entry.

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COPY IS URGENTLY NEEDED FOR REEL TALK. IF ANY MEMBER HAS ANY STORY AT ALL SUITABLE FOR OUR MAGAZINE PLEASE LET ME HAVE IT. IT DOESNT MATTER HOW ROUGH IT IS. I WILL ENDEAVOUR TO KNOCK IT INTO SHAPE, SO PLEASE LET ME HAVE IT.

Editor.

In the Sunday Times fishing column of the 8th January, 1961, one of our older members "Kurly Katz " received a mention along with Paul Foster of the Offshore Angling Club. It was stated there-in that these two were catching Salmon almost at will! ??????. However, being honest (for once) Kurly advises me that he must reject the statement, for his part at least, for it tampers with the truth to say the least.

The following extracted from the Albany Advertiser dated Friday January 13th 1961, is an account outling "Kurly's" first trip out after his big build up.

PHILOSOPHY CORNER By VAGRANT:

On this subject of fishing, a local bloke got a big handclap in the fishing notes of a Perth paper last weekend. This chap, according to the notes, is a wizard salmon catcher. He just has to toss his line in and salmon rush madly from all directions to take the hook. In fact most of the time he doesn't even bother to take bait, we gather.

So it was that this chap-- we'll call him Felix so as not to dob him in-- took a party of city bods out to one of the beaches to show 'em howto catch fish. And the men caught fish, the dames caught fish, even the little boys and girls caught fish. What sort of finished him off was when one of the kids fixed him with that frank, accusing look that kids use on adults and asked him pointedly, "Mister, have you EVER caught a fish?"

Felix advised also, that the fishing down Albany way has only been fair of late, although usually he and party managed to catch a feed.

His party consists of his workmate, Jim Cameron and Jims wife Audrey. Poor old Jim can only afford an old Rangoon cane rod and an old outdated drum reel whilst his wife sports an Ocean Mitchell and a glass rod, and it is not unknown for her to outfish the pair of them. (Dont worry "TICH" . You are not the only one).

On the night in question that the "Vagrant" one philosophised about , Audrey caught three of the six salmon which were caught, and on one earlier trip to the "Sand Patch" caught the only two salmon of the evening before either Felix or Jim had their lines in the water.

Felix mentioned also that he had been out fishing with Phil Neri, who is on leave and they managed a tally of three salmon, a herring and a buff bream between them.

Word had apparently got around of a school of salmon seen over at Sandy on Sunday. According to Felix it was like Yanchep on a weekend when the big Tailer are on. Bods and rods everywhere, almost shoulder to shoulder. Felix acted as Burley Boy on this trip for the only other fish taken on the trip was just up from Felix and where he had burleyed a few moments before. Several folks went home disillusioned about the tales of salmon schooling.

For the information of members the canneries expect to start canning towards the end of February, when the main run of salmon is usually on down Albany way.

CHANGE OF VENUE MARCH FIELD DAY:

Owing to our F. D. O. being approached by several members he has decided to alter the Field Day for March from Yallingup to Garden Island. Boat departure times, and other conditions relating to the Field Day will be outlined by Jim at the General Meeting preceding the field day.

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SOCIAL NOTES:

Dont forget the Picnic at Palm Beach during March. Members are requested to notify Ken Wiggins the number of kiddies in the family, so as adequate drinks , ice cream and lollies may be purchased.

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Dont forget to submit your ideas for the new Casting and Fishing competition which must be finalised for the May issue of Reel Talk.

NOTICE TO MEMBERS.

A social evening will follow the usual monthly meeting of the Offshore Angling Club on Tuesday February the 7th at the Lesser Hall, Leederville Town Hall, at which our casting and field day films, which will be on loan for the occasion will be shown. The President and members of the Offshore Club extend a cordial invitation to any members who would care to attend.

It is suggested that 8-30 p.m. would be a convenient time for guests to arrive. The occasion provides an opportunity for social liaison with a club sharing identical interests with our own, and it is hoped that as many members as possible will be able to accept the invitation.

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A LAST REMINDER TO MEMBERS:

Copy is urgently needed for Reel Talk. Any member who can assist with copy is requested to do so as soon as possible. I am desirous of keeping Reel Talk up to between 20 and 24 pages, but without copy I am unable to do so .

What about it chaps. Can any member assist.

(Editor).