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General Meeting

The next meeting will be held at the Buffaloes Hall, Onslow Rd, Shenton Park on Wednesday 12th February, 1975 at 8.00 pm.

Committee Meeting

The next meeting will be held at the Shenton Park Hall on Wednesday 19th February, 1975 at 8.00 pm.

February Field Day - 15th & 16th - Lancelin/Wedge

South Boundary : Ledge Point jetty  
 North Boundary : As far as you can drive on beach North of Wedge Island.  
 Sign-on : Saturday 1.00 pm - 2.00 pm  
 Weigh-in : Sunday 9.30 am - 10.30 am  
 Sign-on and Weigh-in : On the track to Wedge behind the Lancelin Hotel  
 Fishing Commences : Saturday 3.00 pm  
 Fishing Ceases : Sunday 8.30 am

Instruction Period

John Devitt will be taking the chair and will be having an open discussion on future possible venues in the southern corners of W.A.

February Dry Cast

The cast will be held on Sunday 2nd at our usual venue, Floreat Oval at 9.00 am sharp.

The usual events will be held, plus the single-handed open.

March Field Day - 1st, 2nd & 3rd - Murchison/Wagoo

South Boundary : Half-way Bay  
 North Boundary : As far as you can walk north of Murchison River.  
 Sign-on : Saturday 12.00 pm - 1.30 pm at Murchison Hotel  
 Weigh-in : Monday 9.00 am - 10.00 am at Murchison Hotel  
 Fishing Commences : Saturday 3.00 pm  
 Fishing Ceases : Monday 8.00 am

U R G E N T

RAFFLE TICKETS

MUST BE RETURNED NOW

To enable the drawing of the Raffle, which will be conducted at the next General Meeting, please despatch, without delay, your Raffle Tickets.

All tickets can be addressed to:-

Ric Rowland,  
Lot 413 Farmfield Way,  
Morley. 6062.

This will enable us to prepare, in advance, the smooth drawing of this terrific prize.

Your co-operation in selling all tickets issued to you is sought.

The Raffle must be drawn at the Next meeting as per Lotteries Commission Regulations.

ACT NOW WHILE READING THIS

Field Day Report - 11th & 12th January - Greenough River

With the promise of hot weather and the promise of good fishing in this area in such weather a confident band of anglers set off to a virtually unknown (to most) venue.

After boiling the Holden for 200 miles the F.D.O. and Mark Tucker arrived at the mouth to feel the imminence of the coming hot day and find Jack Harvey's party and Bob Klein's party already bedded down for the night. The holiday makers at this time, namely the Kildahl's, Renshaws, Retallacks, Singletons, Hair's, O'Keefe's, etc were busily involved in scrabble, cards and all sorts of devious occupations. Shortly afterwards Tony Richardson and Alan Brayne and family arrived.

At seven o'clock in the morning the searing easterly gave warning of a stinker of a day. A quick scout of the immediate area did not offer much for the sand fisherman but for the reef men - paradise. The only really sandy beach had plenty of weed moving around in it.

A quick trip to Dongara revealed nothing much. A stop at the Seven-Mile beach was a rude awaking. Instead of a beach seven miles long there was a miniature Rockingham. It didn't take long for someone to put everyone in the picture. "The beach is seven miles from Dongara!" Must be some sort of local joke.

Thirty six anglers signed-on in most trying conditions and promptly disappeared to set-up, to search, to eat, to sleep, to swim, to drink - but not to escape the heat, that was virtually impossible. Two gentlemen did their best though. Bob Klein and Bill Utting, after turning on the Rover's air conditioning drove to the public shower and toilet block and finding this large brick building the coolest spot for many miles proceeded to indulge in their midday 4-course meal.

Only a few stories came out of the actual fishing night. Tiny Parker produced a large quivering yellow streak when Les Reid hooked a large ominous shark that while hooked swam between their reef stands. Les apparently just went white. The heat took its toll with George Holman, a cot-case and Terry Fuller off colour too. As the afore-mentioned weed at the mouth moved out so the sharks moved in and Jack Harvey and others had a bath. Hewie also hooked a beast too but failed to land him, however his bag of big tailor was something to see.

Field Day Report - continued

The morning weigh-in brought not only cooler weather and cloud and the promise of a cool drive home; it brought some fine bags. Jack Harvey backed up his Kombie with the heaviest bag taken this year with 5 sharks and 2 tailor for a total of 26.7 kg. He really celebrated his coming retirement and birthday. Ian McLellan also caught sharks and his contented grin was radiant. Craig Risbey caught one weighing 6.7 kg but Bill Utting's 14.1 kg Whaler was the largest. Ian McLellan's bag weighed-in at 18.4 kg. Fine scale fish bags were also produced:- John Devitt's bag of tailor 23.6 kg; Ric Rowland 18.1 kg; Eric Sullivan 14.4 kg; Darryl Retallack 13.1 kg and Hew Hoy Yew's 15.0 kg of big tailor that he had to leave on the bite in the morning. Altogether 22 anglers weighed-in 224 kg (500 lbs) of fish - and this is the best result for many years. This is what field days are all about so Greenough looks like becoming a regular for this Club.

In conclusion thanks must be given to Ron Kildahl, Stan Renshaw, Len Singleton and Les Reid who knew the area well and did their best to see that other members got around to see as much as possible. Their help was greatly appreciated.

Post Scripts.

1. The deceptive cool change lasted until 20 miles from Eneabba and the trip homewas bloody hot. Ask Ron Kildahl - another victim.
2. Tales about people weighing in various articles took a new turn this weekend. Geoff Renshaw tried to weigh in a tomato and a big one too!
3. The caretaker of the park, with the unfortunate nickname of "Gunna," bought and assembled a new rod. He had heard about the members of the state casting team being present at the field day. The rod measures 26 ft all up and he wanted our "gun" caster to try it out - a very light 4-piece monster. Lofty tried and a most cast out of sight. Hewie knew he could do better and subsequently had a go. Cast - and broke the rod into 4 new pieces thus making an 8-piece rod. Nobody knew if Gunna's gasp was one of admiration or despair.

Toaster

Field Day Results

Jack Harvey	5 Sharks : Tailor	26.7 kg
John Devitt	Tailor	23.6
Bill Utting	2 Sharks	19.5
Ian McLellan	3 Sharks : Tailor	18.4
Ric Rowland	Tailor : Herring	18.2
Hew. Hoy Yew	Tailor	15.0
Eric Sullivan	Tailor	14.4
Darryl Retallack	Tailor : Herring : Dart	13.1
Len Singleton	Tailor	9.3
Brian Rowland	Tailor : Herring	8.9
Stan Renshaw	Tailor : Dart	8.1
Terry Richardson	Tailor : Dart	6.9
Craig Risbey (J)	1 Shark	6.7
John Lee	Mulloway : F/Head : Snook :	
	Tailor : Herring	5.7
Alan Brayne	Tailor : Snook : Herring	5.6
Geoff Renshaw	Tailor	4.8
Stan Rowe	Tailor : F/Head : Snook	4.7
J. O'Keefe (V)	Tailor : Herring : Dart	3.6
Grant Singleton	Tailor	3.5
M. Spiccia (V)	Tailor	3.3
Ron Kilgahl	Tailor	2.5
George Holman	Tailor	2.2
	Total	<u>224.6 kg</u>

Also in Attendance

Allan Car : Tom Corcoran : Terry Fuller : Lofty Griffiths :  
 A. Hair (V) : Malcolm Kelly (J) : G. King (J.V.) : Bob Klein :  
 Eric Parker : B. Reed (V) : Les Reid : Snow Tate : Mark Tucker (J).

Field Day Results - continuedField Day Winners

Heaviest Scale Fish : John Lee - Mulloway 2.4 kg  
 Heaviest Bag of Scale Fish : John Devitt - 23.6 kg  
 Heaviest Shark : Bill Utting - Whaler - 14.1 kg  
 Heaviest Bag of Fish : Jack Harvey - 26.7 kg  
 Heaviest Junior Bag : Craig Risbey - 6.7 kg

Sportsman of Year Points

Heaviest Scale Fish : John Lee  
 Heaviest Bag of Scale Fish : John Devitt  
 Heaviest Shark : Bill Utting

Top Ten

1. Ric Rowland	241	6. Brian Rowland	154
2. Eric Sullivan	232	7. Ron Kildahl	127
3. Len Singleton	180	8. Phil Isbister	126
4. John Lee	172	9. John Devitt	123
5. Stan Renshaw	159	10. Craig Risbey (J)	121

Junior Top Ten

1. Craig Risbey	121	6. Stephen Renshaw	40
2. Michael Ogley	68	7. Ralph Lerch	31
3. Robert Ingram	64	8. Mark Tucker	30
4. Wayne Shaw	57	(9. Derek Jones	20
5. Malcolm Kelly	56	(9. Michael Sussmayer	20

Life Members

Dudley Brown	Doug Edward	Les Shand
Vic Davis	Ron Kildahl	Jim Strong
Lloyd Dunn	Noel Knight	

Fishing Competition - Field Day Section 1974/75.

- Section 1 : Points include 10 points for attendance; 2 points per kilogram of legal length scale fish and 2 points per kilogram for eligible sharks, excluding Port Jackson, Wobbygon, Fiddle, etc.
- Top Ten : 1. Ric Rowland 241 6. Brian Rowland 154  
 2. Eric Sullivan 232 7. Ron Kildahl 127  
 3. Len Singleton 180 8. Phil Isbister 126  
 4. John Lee 172 9. John Devitt 123  
 5. Stan Renshaw 159 10. Craig Risbey (J) 121
- Section 2 : Heaviest Scale Fish - second six months.  
 George Holman - 5.0 kg Mulloway.
- Section 3 : Most Meritorious Fish.  
 No entry.
- Section 4 : Heaviest Shark (min. weight 5 kg).  
 Bill Utting - 14.1 kg Whaler - Greenough.
- Section 5 : Heaviest Mulloway (min. weight 1 kg).  
 Gary Gildersleeve - 16.5 kg - Wago.
- Section 6 : Heaviest Tailor (min. weight 1 kg).  
 Wayne Shaw (J) - 3.0 kg - Wago.
- Section 7 : Heaviest Salmon (min. weight 3 kg).  
 Col Buchanan - 3.8 kg - Walpole.
- Section 8 : Heaviest Trevally (Skippy) (min. weight 1 kg).  
 Len Singleton - 1.4 kg - Walpole.
- Section 9 : Heaviest Spanish Mackerel.  
 No entry.
- Section 10 : Heaviest Bag Scale Fish caught on Field Day.  
 John Devitt - 23.6 kg - Greenough.
- Section 11 : Heaviest Bag Mulloway.  
 Gary Gildersleeve - 16.5 kg - Wago.
- Section 12 : Heaviest Bag Tailor.  
 John Devitt - 23.6 kg - Greenough.
- Section 13 : Heaviest Scale Fish caught on S/H rod (max.  
 4 kg or 9 lb B/S line).  
 Terry Fuller - 3.150 kg Salmon - Walpole.
- Section 14 : Heaviest Scale Fish - other than above.  
 Peter Pages-Oliver - 1.0 kg Barracouta - Walpole.



Fishing Competition - Open Division 1974/75

- Section 1 : Most Meritorious Fish.  
No entry.
- Section 2 : Heaviest Shark (min. weight 5 k).  
No entry.
- Section 3 : Heaviest Mulloway (min. weight 3k).  
No entry.
- Section 4 : Heaviest Salmon (min. weight 3k).  
Eric Sullivan - 3.6 kg - Walpole.
- Section 5 : Heaviest Jewfish.  
No entry.
- Section 6 : Heaviest Tailor (min. weight 1 kg).  
Don Bibby - 3.0 kg - Cape Naturaliste.
- Section 7 : Heaviest Samson Fish.  
John Lee - 21.5 kg - Esperance.
- Section 8 : Heaviest Scale Fish caught on S/H Rod (max.  
4 kg or 9lb B/S line).
- Section 9 : Heaviest Snapper.  
Jim Strong - 12.03 kg - Leeman.
- Section 10 : Heaviest Tarwhine (Silver Bream).  
No entry.
- Section 11 : Heaviest Spanish Mackerel.  
Graham Baskerville - 22.70 kg - Cape Cuvier.
- Section 12 : Heaviest Trevally (Southern) (Min. weight 1 kg).  
P. Pages-Oliver - 1.362 kg - Garden Island.
- Section 13 : Heaviest Trevally (Northern) (min. weight 1 kg).  
Dennis Green - 9.08 kg - Cape Cuvier  
(Club and State record).
- Section 14 : Heaviest Pike.  
Don Bibby - 1.4 kg - Cape Naturaliste.
- Section 15 : Heaviest Scale Fish, other than above, exclud-  
ing Section One.  
No entry.

Field Days for 1975/76

As there were no objections to the Field Days suggested by the Committee for the first six months of the new season, they have been accepted and are as follows:-

May	17th & 18th	Margaret River
May/June	31st, 1st & 2nd (l.w.e.)	Greenough River
July	12th & 13th	Garden Island
August	16th & 17th	Rottnest Island
September	13th & 14th	Jurien - North
October	11th, 12th & 13th (l.w.e.)	Wagoe

Members are asked to chew over the following venues for the latter half of the new season.

These field days are only suggestions and your Committee has an open mind to New Venues, however these can only be arrived at with the co-operation and ideas from everyone involved in the Club, so

IF YOU DON'T LIKE IT WRITE ABOUT IT - NOW AND LET US KNOW.

The suggested field days are:-

November	Flinders Bay
December	Lancelin/Wedge
January	Greenough River
February	White Hills
March	Bowes - Oyster
April	Yallingup

January Dry Cast Report

There were 21 seniors and 2 juniors at the January cast. The weather was fine though a head wind down the Distance V court kept the casting distance down. The longest cast being John Devitt's 138 metres, with the day winners being George Holman in the seniors with 126 points and Mark Tucker having the highest score in the juniors of 93 points.

Owing to the Club's commitments with the A.A.A. Albany Carnival in March and also the Murchison River field day we will be holding the March cast on the 23rd February.

L.L. Distance

This event was top scored by John Devitt with a total of 38 points, followed by Graham Baskerville on 36, Brian Leicester 35 and Les Reid on 33.

Among those to break off were the D.C.O. and the Assistant D.C.O. to mention just two of a few!

D.H. Accuracy

George Holman headed the list in this event with a very good 67 points, followed by Dave Latto 58, Rudy Lerch 55, Trevor Stam 53 and Graham Baskerville on 52.

The accuracy casting was of a very high order in this event with George Holman coming back into form after a period of lean scores.

S.H. Accuracy

Top scores in this event was Graham Baskerville and Brian Leicester both with 23 points with Dave Latto and Rudy Lerch also tying with 21 points, each followed by Mick Geddes on 19.

D.H. Open

The proportion of members who stayed back for <sup>this</sup> was better than in recent months, with 14 members out of 23 taking part, the results of this event will be in the other results printed in the Reel Talk.

The only disappointment with the Dry Casting this year so far

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Dry Cast Report - continued

is the poor attendances at the casting. This is a Club activity and we would like to see as many of the members as possible taking part.

Eric & Roy

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Acknowledgement of  
Trophy Donors

We would like to express our thanks to the following trophy donors for making available trophies for our Club Competitions and at the same time, extend an invitation to anyone else who would like to add his name to our list of donors.

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Franklin R.J. & Co : Halco Engineering : Harvey Jack :  
Holman G : Linnetts Sports Depot : McQuillan H.J. P/L :  
Newton D : Northampton Angling Club : Strong J :  
Talbot D : Tasma Pty Ltd : Utting W : Wesports Ltd.

January Dry Cast ResultsTop Twenty

1.	Brian Leicester	984
2.	George Holman	914
3.	Graham Baskerville	908
4.	Tom Corcoran	836
5.	Ron Kildahl	831
6.	Dave Latto	809
7.	Mark Tucker (J)	759
8.	Dennis Green	747
9.	Rudy Lerch	740
10.	Les Reid	701
11.	Eric Parker	695
12.	Michael Dawson	663
13.	Bill Utting	653
(14.)	Jim Oxley	637
(14.)	Trevor Stam	637
16.	Hew Hoy Yew	590
17.	John Devitt	566
18.	Roy Lundy	554
19.	Gus Sussmayer	532
20.	Stan Renshaw	523

Longest Cast

John Devitt 138 m

Day Winners

(S)	George Holman	126
(J)	Mark Tucker	93

L.L. Distance

1.	John Devitt	38
2.	Graham Baskerville	36
3.	Brian Leicester	35
4.	Les Reid	33

S.H. Accuracy

(1.)	Graham Baskerville	23
(1.)	Brian Leicester	23
(3.)	Dave Latto	21
(3.)	Rudy Lerch	21
5.	Mick Geddes	19

D.H. Accuracy

1.	George Holman	67
2.	Dave Latto	58
3.	Rudy Lerch	55
4.	Trevor Stam	53
5.	Graham Baskerville	52

L.L. Open

1.	John Devitt	131
2.	Brian Leicester	125
3.	Graham Baskerville	121
(4.)	Eric Parker	112
(4.)	Rudy Lerch	112
6.	George Holman	111
7.	Gus Sussmayer	108
(8.)	Tom Corcoran	100
(8.)	Michael Dawson	100
(10.)	Mick Geddes	99
(10.)	Bob Brown	99
12.	Trevor Stam	93
(13.)	Ralph Lerch (J)	88
(13.)	Robert Ingram (J)	88

Name	Pty	<u>L/L Distance</u>			Total	Ave	Pts
		1	2	3			
George Holman	20	106	121	114	321		32
Graham Baskerville	10	121	119	128	358		36
Dave Latto	-	90	91	92	273		27
Rudy Lerch	10	93	105	101	289		29
Brian Leicester	-	115	110	121	347		35
Trevor Stan	10	78	99	91	258		26
John Devitt	20	121	136	138	375		38
Mark Tucker (J)	-	105	B/O	103	208		21
Les Reid	-	114	108	112	334		33
H. Barret	30	81	88	95	234		23
Ralph Lerch (J)	-	85	85	93	263		26
Michael Dawson	-	92	101	98	291		29
Bill Utting	20	105	98	111	294		29
Gus Sussmayer	-	100	94	101	295		30
Tom Corcoran	-	103	99	103	305		30
Mick Geddes	10	99	99	100	288		29
Jim Strong	20	76	73	73	202		20
Eric Parker	10	121	125	B/O	236		24
Terry Fuller	20	90	98	96	264		26
Jim Oxley	10	96	90	84	260		26
Roy Lundy	10	99	B/O	94	183		18
Don Bibby	10	104	98	100	292		29
Bob Brown	-	113	104	104	321		32

PLEASE NOTE:March Dry Cast -

The March cast will be held on FEBRUARY 23rd. The usual events will be held, plus the double handed open.

		<u>D/H Accuracy</u>			<u>S/E Accuracy</u>					Total Points	Includ. Attend.
1	2	1	2	Pts	1	2	1	2	Pts		
17	17	17	16	67	5	3	2	7	17	116	126
6	13	13	20	52	6	4	8	5	23	111	121
14	14	14	16	58	3	9	5	4	21	106	116
9	16	15	15	55	-	10	5	6	21	105	115
16	-	6	13	35	9	-	6	8	23	93	103
6	15	17	15	53	-	3	4	3	10	89	99
10	11	2	10	33	5	5	5	-	15	86	96
16	9	1	20	46	4	3	-	9	16	83	93
10	-	16	10	36	-	1	1	8	10	79	89
4	14	5	15	38	-	7	1	9	17	78	88
7	13	16	8	44	-	-	6	2	8	78	88
6	6	13	16	41	-	-	-	5	5	75	85
7	11	-	13	31	2	5	3	5	15	75	85
18	5	17	2	42	-	1	1	-	2	74	84
6	14	13	5	38	-	-	6	-	6	74	84
1	2	-	20	23	1	8	4	6	19	71	81
11	8	-	14	33	6	4	2	3	15	68	78
17	7	-	14	38	-	-	4	-	4	66	76
4	13	-	1	18	6	5	-	8	19	63	73
-	-	-	17	17	-	8	7	3	18	61	71
-	18	4	-	22	-	-	4	5	9	49	59
-	-	-	4	4	-	-	2	-	2	35	45
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	32	42

Sinker Fund

Don't forget - if you have any scrap lead could you please bring it along to the next meeting, Tiny Parker will be only too pleased to take it off your hands!!

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Australian Angling Championships

Teams

This year 1975 sees the culmination of a lot of hard work by the A.A.A. of W.A., its delegates and angling clubs in this State. The Australian Angling Championships are to be held at Albany in March this year, being the first time the event has ever been held in Western Australia.

If the amount of work done already is any indication it should prove most successful. Entries and visitors are large in number and accommodation at Albany at a premium.

One of the features leading up to such an event is the selection of State teams to contest the Beach, Boat, Estuary and Drycasting.

A rule passed by the W.A. Division before its selectors were to make their selection from the nominees and State trials results was that a team member could only fish in one fishing team, but may be a member of the Drycasting team also if selected. This has made the number large and a special night was held on 17th January at the "Island Trader" to present State pockets to the various team members.

The Surf Casters are very fortunate to have three nominees in the Beach Team: George Holman, Hew Hoy Yew and Don Bibby (reserve); five in the Drycasting team: Graham Baskerville (cptn), Hew Hoy Yew, Dohn Devitt, Eric Parker and Brian Leicester (reserve); and two in the Junior Drycasting team: Robert Ingram and Ralph Lerch. This is a mighty effort and congratulations must go to these Club members.

For reasons of Club records, the following is a complete list of the various teams and their members:



Australian Angling Championships - continued

Senior Beach Teams

Gold Team

L. Boddington (Cptn)  
E. Rossi  
\* G. Holman  
C. Austal  
R. Beck  
\* D. Bibby (reserve)

Black Team

M. Pope (Cptn)  
K. Castlemain  
G. Palmer  
A. Price  
R. Waterman  
\* H.H. Yew  
F. Callin (reserve)

Senior Estuary Teams

Gold Team

E. Hayman (Cptn)  
\* D. Bibby  
G. Slyniers  
B. Fardig  
G. Butler  
B. McHahon  
D. Gilbert (reserve)

Black Team

F. Morgan (Cptn)  
A. Dupe  
G. Murphy  
P. Offer  
H. Wiggis  
P. Games (reserve)  
T. Fardig

Senior Drycasting Team

\* G. Baskerville (Cptn).  
\* H.H. Yew  
\* J. Devitt  
\* E. Parker  
W. Johnson  
F. Collins  
\* B. Leicester (reserve)  
E. Rossi (reserve)

Ladies Drycasting Team

S. Collins  
C. Ando  
K. Buczulich  
R. Winton (reserve)

Junior Drycasting Team

C. Delachey  
\* R. Lerch  
\* R. Ingram

Senior Boat Team

G. Buczulich (Cptn)  
H. Gerards  
R. Flood  
A. Guest  
R. Ruby  
F. Ando  
R. Darge (reserve)

Ladies Boat Team

Mesdames Guest  
Ruby  
Smith

Australian Angling Championships - continued

Ladies Beach Team

-. Harper (Cptn)  
R. Winton  
C. Ando  
R. Hodges (reserve)

Ladies Estuary Team

R. Hodges  
G. Turner  
E. Wiltshire  
-. Pope (reserve)

Junior Beach Team

-. Barker  
M. Foster  
R. Pope

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A.A.A. of W.A. Report

All delegates from the Surf Casters were present at the January meeting of the above Association.

Two new Clubs became affiliated, these were the Emu Point Angling Club (deep sea, beach and estuary) at Albany; and the Ocean Reef Angling Club (boat) which was formerly the Deep Sea Angling Club.

A further batch of 100 Constitutions of the local Division are to be printed with a view to its revision in the near future.

The Esperance Surf Club forwarded a \$50 donation towards the Albany Carnival. This Club is only a newly formed body and has a small membership.

Three State records were passed:

Barracouta 5 lbs 5½ ozs (shore) caught by Kevin Castlemain at Bunkers Bay.

Old Wife 99 grams (shore) caught by P. Lynch at North Mole.

Baldchin Groper 3 kilos 746 grams (shore) caught by G. Gudge at Shark Bay.

Due to the amount of correspondence in processing State records the cost of the application has been increased to \$1.00.

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A.A.A. of W.A. Report - continued

The Associated Sporting Council and Community Recreation Council with whom the Association is affiliated, are moving their premises to Perry Lakes. This will mean that the Association meetings will then be held there and it may also open up other avenues for the benefit of affiliated Clubs.

Jim Strong thanked Dennis Gilbert for his enterprise in organising and running the night at the "Island Trader" at which the State Teams' pockets were presented to team members. A profit of approximately \$300 was the result. It was a great night with around 230 persons in attendance representing some fourteen Clubs or so, including a party of 8 from Mt Barker.

George Holman gave a report on progress of preparation for the Preston Beach Open Tournament to be held on the 1st and 2nd February.

Rudy Lerch gave a brief report on the State Drycasting and the preparations for the Albany Carnival Drycasting in March.

John Butler, the Federal Secretary for Albany Carnival, put forward a plea for the Clubs to get behind the current raffle being run by the W.A. Division to offset expenses for Albany. The financial success or otherwise, hinges on its selling all the tickets printed. These are available at \$1 each and the prize is a colour T.V., also along with two cash prizes.

Discounts on petrol is currently being arranged for competitors at Albany.

Clubs are being asked if they would be prepared to give a trophy for the Albany Carnival, somewhere around the \$15 mark.

Fred Lynch presented the Shield for the Country Clubs Championship arranged by "The Independent" newspaper and the W.A. Division. The winning Club was Geraldton who will receive the perpetual shield and also a replica to retain permanently. The individual winner was G. Brennan, who received an Alvey reel donated by the A.A.A. of W.A. for the heaviest scale fish, a 36½ lbs Mulloway.

The motion put by the Surf Casters for the expulsion of wobbygon

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and carpet sharks from all A.A.A. of W.A. competitions was carried 10 votes to 9. However these sharks will be included in the forthcoming Preston event as the printed matter containing their inclusion had already been distributed.

Jim Strong as Patron of the W.A. Division will officially open the Preston Open Beach Tournament.

Ross Cusack was in attendance and brought to the Division's notice, the large numbers of undersize mullock (soopies) being caught locally in the rivers and on the beaches. He asked that the Division take this matter up with the Fisheries and Fauna with a recommendation for a legal length of 16 inches. Also he pointed out the large number of undersize tailor being caught and recommended a legal length of 10 inches. A letter to this effect will be sent to the Fisheries and Fauna for their perusal from the Division containing these requests.

A Seeken jacket was shown at the meeting which was officially recommended as the State Team jackets. The cost is between \$13 and \$15 and team members are asked to contact their delegates or Mr Clem Winton on 492369 as soon as possible. The jacket is black with gold collar and wrist bands.