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NEXT GENERAL MEETING:

The next General Meeting will be held in the Buffaloes Hall, Onslow Road, Shenton Park on Wednesday 13th May 1970 at 8 p.m. sharp.

An interesting instruction period is being arranged and we hope an experienced Club Member will tell some of the secrets of Rottnest prior to our next field day.

MAY DRYCASTING:

A good roll up is anticipated for the 1st Drycasting day in the new 1970/71 year at Floreat Oval on Sunday 3rd May at 9 a.m. sharp!

Events are as usual but commencing with the D.H. Open.

MAY FIELD DAY(s) ROTTNEST ISLAND 16th and 17th May

Members will depart for Rottnest Island as usual by the 'Panta-Rae' leaving Barrack Street, Jetty at 9 a.m. and Fremantle, East Street Jetty at 10 a.m.

Cost including all transport fares as usual \$4.00 and Juniors \$2.50 each.

The color system will again be used to facilitate loading operations etc. Ribbons will be available at the jetty or you may use your own providing they are large enough to be clearly seen.

Red - Ricey Beach area; Green - Radar Reef area; and White for the Caves area.

Fishing will commence at 2 p.m. Saturday and cease at 10 a.m. Sunday morning. The pickup will commence at 11 a.m. at the Caves area, and the Panta-Rae will leave Rottnest at 1 p.m.

Warning - Please have all your gear properly packed and strongly strapped or tied up. No loose objects which can be dropped into the water during loading. Gaffs to be well covered preferably with tube plastic. Those using the huts are requested to bury all rubbish and leave all offal in the water.

Loading and Unloading - Please hop in and help with the loading and unloading and don't leave it to the few willing workers to do the lot.

As I shall be up North organising the Wago - Lucky Bay field days with the Northampton boys I shall wish you best of luck and good fishing at Rottnest.

JACK. F.D.O.

NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING:

The next Committee Meeting will be held in the Buffalo Hall, Onslow Road, Shenton Park on Thursday 21st May 1970 at 7.30 p.m.

VALE SYD BANNISTER

This month all club members were shocked to learn of the sudden passing of club personality and "Reel Talk" Editor, Syd Bannister. His demise has left a gap in the club which will be hard to fill.

Since his admission to the Club, Syd worked hard in its interests and took on the job of "Reel Talk" editor - a position which entails a lot of hard work. He endeavoured from the outset to improve our monthly journal - getting more contributions from members and interesting articles together, with comprehensive reports of our field days and drycasting - and last month's "Reel Talk" was the ultimate of his ability with its production in its new form.

As a committeeman, Syd put forward many useful suggestions and was an informative source to the committee on many points.

To Mrs. Bannister and the boys, the committee, members and their wives, express heartfelt sympathy in their bereavement.

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Some Committee Members have complained on behalf of their respective wives, that the Dinner last year was a cold meal and not very appealing. Well you and I both know you only get what you pay for. Last year the charge was \$6.00 per couple, why it would cost almost this to go to a picture show these days!

The Club has to pay the cost of a hall, decorations, dinner at so much per head, dance orchestra and refreshments and it cannot do it for \$6.00 per couple and IMPROVE the quality of the dinner! We are currently investigating the possibility of a four course hot meal including a roast dinner. This should be more acceptable on a cold night. Some of the Committee believe that if we do this (and we would have to charge perhaps \$8.50 per couple), more members will attend the function.

WHAT DO YOU THINK? Come to the next General Meeting and let us know your feelings OR better still let your wife read this and ask her opinion. Lets face it - a night out these days for \$10.00 is very reasonable - is it not!

TROPHIES:

Your Committee acknowledge with thanks the donors of trophies and or cheques received to date. They are:-

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| Boans Ltd. | Fauls Pty. Ltd. |
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| G. & A. Ticklie | J. Harvey |
| D. Talbot | 'Tiny' O'Neil |
| D. Newton | W. Utting |
| A. Shack | L. Reid & B. Hanks |

If you wish to donate a trophy please contact F.D.O. Jack Harvey or in his absence President Ron Kildahl,

BITS & PIECES:

Correction - Dry Casting Competition 1970-71

Handicaps will be revised 4 times yearly and not twice as advised.

Landing Nets - The Committee has approved of the use of a landing net on field days providing it has a handle no longer than 2 feet.

MAY FIELD DAY:ROTTNEST ISLAND.

The 1970/71 competition year got away to a great start with its opening venue at Rottnest. A total poundage of $939\frac{1}{4}$ lb of fish were weighed in, shared amongst 34 members, 2 juniors and 2 visitors.

The weather was perfect for this time of year, although a mild southerly in the evening would have increased the chances of good tailer, etc on the south side. The boat trip over and back, (due to the weather), was so pleasant that even HEW HOY YEW and "BASSO" BASKERVILLE didn't even reach their usual shade of green.

To start from the beginning: The "Panta Rae" left Barrack Street Jetty at 9 a.m. sharp (just ahead of the two passenger ferries) and upon arrival at East Street Jetty had to "stand off" while the ferries passengers got aboard. Then it was our turn and the gear and anglers were soon aboard. It is a pleasure to watch this loading and unloading now as the boys have got in down to a fine art; keep it up!

On arrival at Rottnest the gear was soon off-loaded and loaded onto the truck in order of the coloured tapes - Red for Ricey first, Green for Radar second, and White for The Caves and Strickland Bay last.

The bus and truck then commenced the drive around the island. The Caves was the first stop and about a dozen starters set off for their various "holes" in this area. DOUG NEWTON, SHOW TATE, RON MANSFIELD & CO., alighted at their usual spot - Strickland Bay. Then to Radar and "LOFTY", "BASSO" and followers (including DAVE LATTO, who gave Rottnest a bash for the first time in quite awhile), set off to catch the big ones. Last stop - Ricey. The remainder, including JIM STRONG, HAL NEIL, PHIL NERI, RUDY LERCH, LES REID and others, decided to take the tip from the newspaper tipsters and catch a bundle of salmon.

This proved to be the case as the top bags came from Ricey per medium of Rudy Lerch $114\frac{1}{4}$ lb, Les Reid $112\frac{1}{4}$ lb, W. Utting $74\frac{3}{4}$ lb and young Paul Marsh beat them all with a bag of $117\frac{3}{4}$ lb and also caught the heaviest salmon, $9\frac{3}{4}$ lb. Others with good tallies from this area were R. Jensen 52 lb, Hal Neil $29\frac{1}{2}$ lb (good effort Hal) and Ron Kildahl 20 lb.

Back at the Caves, Dennis Green (a new member) put up a good performance to catch a nice mixed bag of fish weighing $26\frac{1}{2}$ lb, George Holman had a 25 lb bag, Ron Scrivener $13\frac{3}{4}$ lb, Drew Shaw $7\frac{1}{2}$ lb, Keith Rundin 7 lb. Good to see the Slingsby father and son combination in attendance and although their tally was not large, I'm sure they enjoyed themselves. Skippy were the main fish caught in this area.

Strickland Bay produced some good bags of Skippy and herring also. R. Cusack caught $18\frac{1}{2}$ lb of fish, Doug Newton managed to catch 17 lb, (they probably all committed suicide), Ron Mansfield $15\frac{1}{2}$ lb, Snow Tate $14\frac{3}{4}$ lb and Val Pereira 13 lb. Good to see Val along on a field day along with

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Sure enough we made in that direction and parked between the rocks and Smith's Beach. I casually made a few enquiries on the art of bait casting and was told to put on a mulie and belt it out without a sinker. Hell-it's all I can do to cast a sinker out! I rigged up and had a swift look round. Jim and Phil were asleep in the back and F.D.O. Jack was busy rigging his sure catch Alvey of Wagoe fame, whilst really he was listening to East and West on the radio. I crept down to the only flat spot on the rocks and made my first bait cast. I made a smart swish with my 3274 and Mitchell (Ron please note) and the bait rose high in the air above me. Luckily a puff of wind caught it and there it was 30 yards out in clear water. "This game's easy" I said and a couple of casts later I found that the stronger the wind the longer the cast.

Suddenly the line would not come in and I thought this strange - but I'd swear that, piece of reef was wriggling. Then the thought struck me, surely not a bite - not two in one year? With savage ferocity the fish went into action. It leapt into the air and tried to spit hooks at me. "What do I do now?" I employed F.D.O. Jack who was by now beside me. "Don't you tighten that bloody drag" he said and "Take it easy!" Soon I had it in close and Phil appeared with a gaff and a disbelieving look on his face. He handed it to Jack who slipped down to a low rock to gaff my catch, but the salmon seeing Jack coming took off to the other end and tried to climb up the rocks away from the water. All to no avail and he was soon gaffed and his throat cut as per instructions. It was a beauty.

Later I had another bite, much bigger than the one I caught but of course it got away. Having caught the only salmon in Smith's area we went back to camp to sweat out the long hours to weigh in time. Tom Smith had one but he would not take it out of his bag. At 8 a.m. Jack set up the scales and took his book and pen in hand. Of course I was first to the scales and in my excitement I left my hand on the fish - purely a gesture of proud ownership. Jim Strong who had obviously assisted Jack to weigh in before promptly slapped my knuckles with a rusty bait knife and the scales stopped at 9lbs 1oz. There it was on the board - Jack Donohoe "Heaviest scale fish". I stood around watching the others and chewing the mulie scales off my finger nails.

Tommy weighed in next and then Ross with a beauty, nice and fresh, just caught that morning. But I was still in front "Stiff cheese Ross" I said, "You can have heaviest bag". Minutes crawled by with still more to come. Then there was only a few minutes to go when another freshly caught salmon came in. I couldn't bare to watch the scales - "Disqualify the basket" I heard someone mutter and strangely I was standing alone. But it was a mere tiddler of 7lbs, - Who was I to worry as I noticed Jack glancing at his watch. Then the stupendous announcement was made "I declare Jack Donohoe & Ross Cusack winners of the Yallingup Field Day Section" said F.D.O. Jack. "Whew! Where's that medicinal brandy Arthur, I couldn't go through that again?"

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ROTTNEST FIELD DAY

SECTION WINNERS:

1st Heaviest Scale Fish - H.Y. Hew - Silver Drummer - 13 $\frac{1}{2}$ lb
 2nd Heaviest Bag Scale Fish - R. Lerch - 114 $\frac{1}{2}$ lb
 3rd Heaviest Shark - B. Reynolds - School Whaler - 20 $\frac{1}{2}$ lb

FISH CAPTURES:

R. Lerch	Salmon	114 $\frac{1}{4}$ lb
L. Reid	Salmon	112 $\frac{1}{4}$
B. Utting	Salmon	74 $\frac{3}{4}$
B. Reynolds	Shark & Mixed Bag	59
B. Jensen	Salmon	52
H. Y. Hew	Silver Drummer & Mixed Bag	37 $\frac{1}{2}$
L. White	Herring	31
H. Neil	Salmon	29 $\frac{1}{2}$
G. Baskerville	Mixed Bag & Salmon	28
D. Green	Skippy & Mixed Bag	26 $\frac{1}{2}$
G. Holman	Mixed Bag	25
R. Kelly	Mixed Bag	24
J. Griffiths	Mixed Bag	20 $\frac{3}{4}$
R. Kildahl	Salmon & Mixed Bag	20
R. Cusack	Tailor & Mixed Bag	18 $\frac{1}{2}$
D. Newton	Skippy & Mixed Bag	17
R. Mansfield	Skippy & Mixed Bag	15 $\frac{1}{2}$
S. Tate	Skippy & Mixed Bag	14 $\frac{1}{4}$
D. Latto	Tailor & Mixed Bag	14 $\frac{1}{2}$
R. Scrivener	Mixed Bag	13 $\frac{3}{4}$
M. Buchanan (V)	Mixed Bag	13 $\frac{1}{2}$
V. Pereira	Mixed Bag	13
T. Cairns	Herring	9 $\frac{1}{2}$
D. Shaw	Mixed Bag	7 $\frac{1}{2}$
K. Rundin	Mixed Bag	7
J. Strong	Mixed Bag	7
C. Buchanan	Herring	6 $\frac{1}{2}$
N. Risbey	Mixed Bag	4 $\frac{1}{2}$
P. Neri	Herring	4 $\frac{1}{2}$

JUNIOR SECTION:

Paul Marsh	Salmon & Skippy	117 $\frac{3}{4}$
	<u>TOTAL POUNDAGE CAUGHT :</u>	939 $\frac{1}{4}$ lb

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE:

R. Parker	G. Slingsby	J. Thurlow
J. Sheedy	D. Butt (V)	M. Slingsby (Jnr)

TOTAL ATTENDANCE:

36 including 2 Visitors and 2 Juniors.

DRY CASTING NEWS or HOW TO DISORGANIZE THE ASSISTANT ORGANIZER

I was casting extremely well and had put down three good looking casts in the D.H. Acc. when it came to a change of markers (BOB TUCKER and IAN McLENNAN). Said Bob to me as he walked back to have his casts, "Keep going as you are and you should break the record, you already have fifty three points (53)." With that the butterflies came, result last cast B.A. Of course you will have noticed Bob's score - perfect nerves and sheer arse (not to mention casting ability). My turn next year Bob, I'll switch off your power. Result no coffee! Further result casting W.T.S.

Included in Bob's total in the D.H. Acc. was a "bull" fair between the eyes at 144 feet. The other arch villain in the plot to upset me was IAN McLENNAN "You're going great Les keep it up", scored consistently to finish with 55/80. No more remarks like that please Ian. Third was myself with 53/80, (Notice the wet paper). Others to figure well in this event were BILL MORROW with 50/80 and JOHN NUICH with 49/80.

Another casting year has passed and the top honours for this season was won narrowly by DOUG TALBOT with 1179 points. The winner was more or less decided in the D.H. Acc. when BILL UTTING was off his usual accuracy and Doug managed to knock up enough points to give him a slight edge, putting Bill under pressure for the remaining events.

Never the less BILL UTTING finished in second place with 1155 points and BOB TUCKER put in a fine finishing run to give him the third placing with 1049 points. I believe that Bob has not been out of a place in 10 years. Congratulations to these three on a fine effort.

The winner for the day was BILL MORROW who scored well in all aspects of casting and totalled 110 points ("Good on you Bill"). Tied for second place was DOUG TALBOT and BOB TUCKER with 104 points. The third place was also a tie between IAN McLENNAN and myself with 103 points. Only 1 point separating four casters. Nota bad result! (Well at least I am happy and I think the other placegetters are too).

It looks as though BERTIE PAYNE'S persistence has come off (changing to an Alvey) as he took out the maximum points in the L.L. Hcp. Of course this has knocked 28 points from his handicap. DOUG NEWTON just returned from holidaying in New Zealand (the trip must have done him some good) he finished second behind Bertie with TOM CORCORON taking third place on 36 points. This would be Tom's highest score for many months in this event. (A result of good casting) Others to cast well besides those mentioned were RUDY LERCH, HAL NEIL and GRAHAM ROSS (except for the B.O.)

Noticed RUDY LERCH and GRAHAM ROSS practising accurately, with a "bull" coming to each of them. However, Graham was the one who used the practise to advantage in knocking up 31/40 in the S.H. Acc. Rudy had one of his

FIELD DAY SECTION Contd.

SECTION 12 - Heaviest Bag of Tailor (Min. weight 20 lb)
No Entry

SECTION 13 - Heaviest Scale Fish caught on S.H. Rod (Max. 12 lb B.S.Line)
L. REID - 8⁵/₄ lb - Salmon, Rottnest

SECTION 14 - Heaviest Spanish Mackerel
No Entry

FISHING COMPETITION - OPEN DIVISION - MAY 1969/1970

Entries to be submitted on correct form and the hand of the Recorder within 30 days of capture. Entry forms are available from any Committee Member. The final results below are those at time of print.

SECTION 1. - Most Meritorious Fish
J. DEVITT, 29 lb Samson Fish, Murchison

SECTION 2. - Heaviest Shark (Min. 10 lb)
J. DEVITT, 84 lb Tiger Shark, Murchison

SECTION 3. - Heaviest Milloway
G. ROSS, 32lb, Murchison

SECTION 4. - Heaviest Salmon
K.R. JONES, 11 and 3/4 lb, Mandurah

SECTION 5. - Heaviest Jewfish
No Entry

SECTION 6. - Heaviest Tailor
C. BUCHANAN, 12lb 14ozs, Leighton

SECTION 7. - Heaviest Samson Fish
J. DEVITT, 29 lb, Murchison

SECTION 8. - Heaviest Scale Fish caught on S.H. Rod (Max B.S.12lb)
T. FULLER, 7lb 8 ozs, Salmon, Albany

L.L. DISTANCE.

	Pty.	1.	2.	3.	Tot.	Ave.	Hcp.	Tot.	Pts.
W. MORROW	21	303	363	378	1044	341	95	436	32
D. TALBOT	-	323	321	311	955	318	115	433	30
R. TUCKER	21	361	305	344	989	330	58	388	12
L. REID	-	290	299	297	886	295	112	407	20
I. McLENNAN	42	284	309	283	834	278	140	418	22
J. NUICH	-	265	275	282	822	274	118	392	14
T. CORCORON	21	346	343	329	997	332	110	442	36
G. HOLMAN	21	330	330	347	986	329	67	396	16
W. UTTING	-	316	311	315	942	314	123	437	34
B. PAYNE	-	285	307	302	894	298	180	478	40
H.Y. HEW	63	315	377	340	969	323	80	403	18
D. NEWTON	42	270	301	293	822	274	180	454	38
D. LATTO	21	268	314	302	884	288	85	373	10
T. SMITH	-	283	B.O.	264	547	182	152	334	2
R. TICHBON	-	302	120	236	658	219	136	355	8
R. JENSEN	21	238	239	243	699	233	115	348	6
G. ROSS	21	396	B.O.	396	771	257	21	278	-
R. LERCH	21	252	341	359	1031	344	87	431	26
R. KILDAHL	-	B.O.	243	311	554	185	131	316	-
J. STRONG	42	255	224	211	648	216	127	343	4
H. NEIL	63	277	278	296	771	257	169	426	28
B. HANKS	21	328	330	360	997	332	90	422	24

WINNERS OF THE DAY:

- 1. W. MORROW - 110 Points
- 2. D. TALBOT - 104 Points
- 2. R. TUCKER - 104 Points
- 3. L. REID - 103 Points
- 3. I. McLENNAN - 103 Points

L.L.HCP.

- B. PAYNE
- D. NEWTON
- T. CORCORON

S.H. ACC.

- 1. G. ROSS - 31/40
- 2. H.Y. HEW - 25/40
- 2. J. NUICH - 25/40
- 3. J. STRONG - 23/40
- 3. R. TICHBON - 23/40

HCP. RED

- B. PAYNE 180 - 28 = 152
- D. NEWTON 180 - 19 = 161
- H. NEIL 169 - 3 = 166

D.H. ACC.

- 1. R. TUCKER - 71/80
- 2. I. McLENNAN - 55/80
- 3. L. REID - 53/80

LONGEST CAST.

- G. ROSS - 396 feet

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JUNE FIELD DAY(s) AT WAGOE OR LUCKY BAY
LONG WEEKEND 30th, 31st May & 1st JUNE.

This is a combined event held in conjunction with the Northampton Club. Members attending are requested to all meet at the Golden Fleece Service Station, Northampton, at 12 noon, Saturday, 30th May. At 1 p.m. we will move off to an area selected by the Northampton Club which may be Sandalwood Bay and there set up headquarters. We will move to the beach areas by four wheel drive vehicles if necessary.

The Northampton Club are putting through a new track to Wagoe (25th & 26th April). This could well be the commencement of a new era of fishing for our Club. I am hoping for a good attendance to show our appreciation to the Northampton Club for their efforts. I am looking to the co-operation of our own four wheel vehicle owners.

May I suggest that members leave Friday night and travel to Marchagee caravan park, sleep there the night and come on to Northampton in daylight at your leisure. The caravan park is free to motorists and is located at the rear of the Mobil garage. Showers and toilets are available.

I am spending my holidays in the Northampton area to ensure we obtain full benefit from local knowledge. See you at the Golden Fleece Service Station at Northampton and make this a Field Day(s) we will always remember.

F.D.C. JACK.

DO YOU KNOW THAT

1. PIRANHAS of South America, can reduce a CAPIVARA, a giant aquatic rodent weighing 100 lb to a skeleton in less than 60 seconds?
2. Some 2000 species of fish inhabit the mighty Amazon River and is as many as in the entire Atlantic Ocean from Pole to Pole.
3. Oranges are used as bait to catch the PACU in the Rio Paraguay?
4. More trout 5 lb to 10 lb are caught in New Zealand fishing waters than the rest of the World put together?
5. NILE PERCH grow to a size exceeding 250 lb?
6. EUROPEAN EELS are spawned in the Sargasso Sea, 3000 miles away; it takes them 3 years to complete the journey to their natural grounds and habits in fresh water rivers, etc.

A FEW EXTRACTS FROM BOOKS OF KNOWLEDGE: - Member Bert Payne.

How about a few of these members. Thanks Bert.

Ass. Ed. LOFTY & GEORGE.

AN INTRODUCTION TO WAGOE REEF - APRIL 1970 by "WU"

With Jack and Arthur's words of praise for Wago Reef still ringing in our ears, the die was cast for an early trip to this "El Dorado". Monday and Tuesday produced morning land breezes so we organised the trip for Wednesday morning.

We set out from Kalbarri at first light - Ron and Ted in the "cruiser" - Dave and self in the "Rover". When we reached the higher ground near the Bluffs visibility was drastically reduced by a thick mist which despite the use of the wipers and head lights reduced our progress at times to a crawl.

After leaving the made road the condition of the track rapidly deteriorated and engagement of four wheel drive became necessary as we bounced and twisted over a particularly loose section. At one stage the track approached the commencement of one of the deep gulley's between two bluff's - just how uncomfortably close, we were not to see until the return trip in good visibility. Dave, wisely commented that the erection of a warning sign here at a later date might save a throttle heavy driver from a leap into oblivion.

Miles of meandering track at last brought us alongside the rabbit proof fence and later to a gate which we hoped was the one indicated on the rough map kindly drawn by friend Jack. After passing through the gateway I took the lead with Dave as chief navigator. The reason for this was that I had the only map - (Ron had lost his copy).

Being in the lead vehicle we were treated to a passing parade any naturalist would have given his proverbial to have seen - roos, emus and a wedge tail eagle reluctantly made way for the two noisy intruders.

The mist still reduced visibility to about fifty yards and consequently my requests for a position fix from the navigator was met with some unprintable remarks. We pushed on following some more recent tyre marks and eventually sighted our second land mark off the starboard bow - a windmill of the make which brings that smug smile to the face of a member named Ted.

From then on the descent of about a mile to the sea was made through an undulating series of sand cuttings, the looseness of which was to test both vehicles and drivers on the return journey.

The panorama that greeted us brought spontaneous words of admiration from all. As far as the eye could see the reef stretched wide and relatively flat with deep blue water right to the edge. The swells were moderate and welled lazily over the reef about knee high depth.

No one suggested we fish left or right as straight out in front left nothing to be desired. With feverish haste and high expectations the fishing gear was readied. Dave, Ron and self chose surface trolling with gardies whilst

ANNUAL DINNER & PRESENTATION OF TROPHIES Contd.

All members attending this all important Club function, are requested to obtain their tickets by our next General Meeting. This is so final catering arrangements may be made. When purchasing tickets, members are to give their choice of hot meal. The main menu is Roast Chicken or Lamb.

This evening is for all Club Members - so be in it and let's make it one that we will all remember.

Give the wife a break from being a "fishing widow" by bringing her along, letting her get to know the other ladies and give her a great night out.

This includes: Sherry and Hors d'oeuvre's
Soup, Entree, Main Course (choice of chicken or lamb)
Sweets, Cheese & Biscuits
Tea or Coffee and Supper

Order of proceedings: Sherries, Dinner, Presentation and Dancing.

This evening is for financial members only.

THE SURF CASTING ANGLER:

Where during winter or summer do the mulie or scalie mackerel or strip of mullet, prawn or cray tail bring some kind of fish to our hook? Ever since man made a respectable religion of Surf Casting fishing (giving a status to his followers by making a virtue of hat had been an excuse to get away from his wife), the surf caster has hankered after a similar establishment of rites with which to identify himself.

There is more comedy than seriousness in the study of the surf caster. Let me give you an instance.

Last December we gave ourselves a treat and wandered along th beach at Moore River. The small kingies were running about 2 to the pound. This is a wonderful beach to study the surf caster. At Christmas time in this local you come across the giants at work with 12ft, 14ft and the occasional 22ft rods. An assortment of reels were being employed in hurling hooks, traces, rigs and sinkers as near to India and South Africa as possible. Each champion caster had his little number of admirers and each tried to out do the other. Small tales were whispered by the knowing as to the superiority of the side cast, the egg beater, and Alvey against the highly geared reels and the different methods of casting and whyso and so was only attaining so many hundred yards. Jim Ramsbottom was chucking his gear out of sight.

YALLINGUP FIELD DAY REPORT:

A nice quiet uneventful trip down, except for the near miss of a couple of cows which were blocking a culvert near Dunsborough. I went so close that Jim Strong remarked that he smelt the clover on it's breath as we passed.

At the Caravan Park we found Arthur Horton and Arch Ticklie abed so we promptly woke them up, to have a chat on conditions and to get a foot warmer from them. Harry Muirson also arrived at the same time, so we all pitched tents together to form the centre of what turned out to be a very enjoyable social circle as the venue continued. A couple of families, Val Pareira and Ross Cusack also made the trip. Val I heard had a rough time, - did a fan belt in coming up and then dropped a big tailor on the surf edge later.

The Collie Club were well represented and we enjoyed their company again.

Most beaches showed a heavy swell on Saturday morning and local reports were grim and so it turned out. All areas were fished, but with the same results - NO FISH. Things were so poor that leader George took out his .22 and bagged some bunnies to take home for a feed. He had no worries as Rudy didn't have a rifle to keep up the poundages!

In all 6 salmon were caught resulting in a suspense riddled win for that popular poet and entertainer No. 1 Jack Donohoe with a magnificent 9lb 1 oz salmon caught at Smith's Beach rocks. Heaviest bag went to Ross Cusack or 'Arcee' to readers of the Reel Talk, with a 8lb 9ozs Salmon. Good to see new faces taking out the money and a consolation for Ross who did a tyre on the trip. The total was poor but the spirit of fraternisation was high, heightened by No. 1 Jack doleing out my red "blood specific" to all visitors with a shaky hand. I hope the change to Margaret River next year will be beneficial.

JACK F.D.O.

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All you need to do is to advise me of your wish to go to the Murchison via bus - and pay a deposit NOW!

The trip by bus would be worth it - just for the fellowship. Please give this your full consideration.

G.H.

CASTING CAPERS

Storm clouds streaked across a dark sky driven before N.W. winds of 35-40 knots and accompanied by frequent driving rain.

This could have been the forecast for our first Drycasting day of the new season. Instead, on a beautiful May morning that could only be described as "one out of the bag", thirty-four members fronted up at 9.00 a.m. sharp (give or take five minutes) to participate in the events of the day.

Also present was KEN JONES who ably assisted in the marking, (thanks Ken), young MARK TUCKER and RALPH LERCH. (Rudy brought him along for luck, this was successful in the distance events).

While the roll-up was above average, we would like to see more members present to enjoy a chat (you do have time), and also to show us if they can cast. I won't believe that every member can cast accurately, therefore this is good training for your fishing weekends. Do come along, the more the merrier.

Most points for the day were earned by IAN McLENNAN, (who has steadily improved over the past three or four months) - the majority of these coming from the D.H. accuracy and the L.L. Hcp. Second, only one point behind Ian, was BOB TICHBON. He cast well in all three events. Following closely behind these two was "Deadly Doug" in a good position on the rails. Others to gain a reasonable total were ERIC HILL, BILL UTTING, JOHN NUICH, RON KILDAHL and GEORGE HOLMAN.

The first event for the day was the L.L. OPEN, which was won comfortably by JOHN DEVITT, with an excellent cast of 485 feet. RUDY LERCH gained a thoroughly deserved second place with his personal best throw of 408 feet. The minor place in this section went to "SNAPPER" PARKER with 406 feet. (Well done ERIC).

Incidentally H.Y. HEW takes your title Eric he made a B.O. B.O. of this event. BILL MORROW sent down a real beaut B.O. and this so frightened him that he couldn't front up for his second cast. (No nerves). The D.C.O. on the other hand sent one down with a nice birds nest in the line, promptly stuck his finger in it to slow it down, result, a nice lacerated finger. (BRIAN claims the line caught round his finger coming up the rod). Anyway out he comes for his second cast, (wound and all), and gets off a good one. (cast). How's that for nerves BILL?

Getting away from the "B - S - " (breaking strain) and on to a more serious note, the handicap winner for the new system was none other than the redoubtable "PANTHER" PAYNE who top scored with 55 points, and lost 42 from his handicap for the effort. Congrats BERTIE. RUDY LERCH also scored 55 points in this event from good casting (breaking 400ft for the first time) and loses 36 from his handicap.

FIELD DAY SECTION Contd.

G. BASKERVILLE	266 Points
J. GRIFFITHS	260 Points
D. TALBOT	242 Points

<u>Juniors</u>	P. MARSH	194 Points
	A. BUCHANAN	94 Points

1969-1970 FIELD DAY FIGURES:

<u>TOTAL ATTENDANCES</u>	510 Seniors and 43 Juniors
<u>AVERAGE PER MONTH</u>	42.5 Seniors and 3.5 Juniors
<u>TOTAL POUNDAGE</u>	5126 lbs.
<u>AVERAGE PER MONTH</u>	428 lbs.
<u>AVERAGE PER PERSON</u>	10 lbs.

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SECTION 2. - Heaviest Scale Fish - 2nd six months

G. HOLMAN - 35½lb Mulloway, Murchison.

SECTION 3. - Most Meteorious Fish

(Nominated at end of season by the Committee)

SECTION 4. - Heaviest Shark

G. HOLMAN - 37½lb 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 9ozs, Skippy, Rottnest Island.

<u>D.H. ACCURACY.</u>					<u>S.H. ACCURACY.</u>							
1.	2.	1.	2.	Tot.	1.	2.	1.	2.	Pts.	Tot. Pts.	Inc.	Att.
9	19	17	12	57	4	5	4	1	14	124		134
16	12	18	7	53	3	8	6	3	20	123		133
12	11	-	17	40	1	8	7	9	25	117		127
14	18	9	12	53	3	4	4	6	17	116		126
18	12	14	12	56	3	-	-	3	6	111		121
4	12	10	12	38	3	2	4	8	17	108		118
-	17	13	10	40	-	8	6	2	16	107		117
-	15	16	18	49	8	-	-	-	8	104		114
5	18	5	7	35	5	-	4	5	14	102		112
5	9	11	18	43	3	4	3	8	18	101		111
9	-	7	15	31	8	4	-	5	17	101		111
3	20	8	6	37	-	3	7	1	11	100		110
6	18	-	-	24	9	5	-	5	19	98		108
17	11	6	13	47	-	-	-	-	-	98		108
16	7	7	7	37	-	-	5	6	11	96		106
-	-	12	9	21	4	5	7	2	18	92		102
-	17	4	5	26	-	5	-	8	13	92		102
10	5	11	7	33	4	-	1	4	9	90		100
6	6	6	-	18	7	5	7	1	20	87		97
9	8	11	-	28	-	3	-	1	4	87		97
12	12	-	-	24	-	-	-	7	7	84		94
-	-	-	5	5	7	7	7	6	27	84		94
-	12	-	6	18	8	6	-	8	22	84		94
-	9	12	16	37	-	-	5	-	5	83		93
-	-	-	18	18	-	5	-	-	5	76		86
2	12	-	-	14	-	7	-	-	7	73		83
-	10	-	12	22	-	-	-	1	1	72		82
-	-	-	16	16	-	-	5	-	5	70		80
-	10	-	8	18	-	4	5	-	9	68		78
4	-	-	9	13	-	4	-	-	5	67		77
1	-	5	5	11	2	-	-	6	8	57		67
-	10	-	-	10	-	4	-	-	4	54		64
1	-	11	3	15	-	-	-	5	5	41		51

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FIELD DAY SECTION Contd.

SECTION 5. - Heaviest Jewfish

No Entry.

SECTION 6. - Heaviest Tailor

C. BUCHANAN - 12lbs 4ozs, Leighton.

SECTION 7. - Heaviest Samson Fish

J. DEVITT - 39lbs, Murchison.

SECTION 8. - Heaviest Scale Fish caught on S.H. Rod (Max weight 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 2 ozs, Swanbourne.

SECTION 11.- Heaviest Spanish Mackerel

K.R. JONES - 38½lbs - Port Samson.

SECTION 12.- Heaviest Trevally (Southern) (Min weight 2lbs)

D.E. SAVAGE - 7lbs 6ozs, Esperance.

SECTION 13.- Heaviest Northern Trevally -(Min weight 12lbs)

A. TICKLIE - 24lbs, Learmouth.

SECTION 14.- Heaviest Pike

N.S. WILKERSON - 3lbs 7ozs, Cockburn Sound Groyne.

SECTION 15.- Heaviest Fish (Scale) other than above - excluding Section 1.

D.E. SAVAGE - 2¼lb King George Whiting , Esperance.

CASTING RESULTS

WINNER OF DAY

- 1. I. McLENNAN 134 pts
- 2. R. TICHBON 133 pts
- 3. D. TALBOT 127 pts

DOUBLE HANDED ACCURACY

- 1. I. McLENNAN 57/80
- 2. J. NUICH 56/80
- 3. E. HILL) 53/80
- R. TICHBON) 53/80

SINGLE HANDED ACCURACY

- 1. L. REID 27/40
- 2. D. TALBOT 25/40
- 3. J. STRONG 22/40

DOUBLE HANDED OPEN

- 1. J. DEVITT 485 ft
- 2. R. LERCH 408 ft
- 3. E. PARKER 406 ft

LEVEL LINE HANDICAP WINNER

- B. PAYNE 55 pts

LONGEST CAST (HCP)

- J. DEVITT 469 ft

LONGEST CAST (OPEN)

- J. DEVITT 485 ft

TOP TEN

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|----------------|---------|---------------|---------|
| 1. I. McLENNAN | 134 pts | 6. J. NUICH | 121 pts |
| 2. R. TICHBON | 133 | 7. R. KILDAHL | 118 |
| 3. D. TALBOT | 127 | 8. G. HOLMAN | 117 |
| 4. E. HILL | 126 | 9. R. JENSEN | 114 |
| 5. W. UTTING | 122 | 10. R. TUCKER | 112 |

HANDICAPS REDUCED

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|-------------|----------------|---------------|----------------|
| B. PAYNE | 230 - 42 = 188 | R. TUCKER | 127 - 17 = 110 |
| D. SHAW | 183 - 38 = 145 | J. GRIFFITH | 138 - 15 = 123 |
| R. LERCH | 150 - 36 = 114 | D. LATTO | 189 - 10 = 179 |
| T. HORSLEY | 230 - 30 = 200 | L. REID | 191 - 8 = 183 |
| R. KILDAHL | 195 - 27 = 168 | L. TATE | 170 - 8 = 162 |
| T. CORCORAN | 188 - 23 = 165 | D. TALBOT | 174 - 5 = 169 |
| W. UTTING | 193 - 22 = 171 | H. Y. HEW | 138 - 2 = 136 |
| I. McLENNAN | 198 - 19 = 179 | A. McLAUCHLAN | 205 - 1 = 204 |
| G. HOLMAN | 156 - 17 = 139 | B. HANKS | 156 - 1 = 155 |
| W. MORROW | 139 - 17 = 122 | | |

DON'T FORGET THE PRESENTATION DINNER AND DANCE

SATURDAY, 20TH JUNE, 1970 AT 5.30 p.m.

CONDITIONS:

- a. Entries not fully completed will be rejected.
- b. Entries must be lodged with Recorder within 30 days of capture.
- c. Photographs of fish to be supplied for Club Record or 3 to 1 Badge application.
- d. Shark entry a Tooth or both Upper and Lower Jaws shall accompany application for identification.
- e. Fish to be hooked, played and landed from SHORE, JETTY, GROUYNE or WHARF.
- f. "Members entering fish in the Open Competition shall qualify entries by attending at least three (3) Club meetings, field days or casting venues."

(FISH MUST BE BROUGHT TO GAFF BY THE APPLICANT WITHOUT ASSISTANCE)

3 to 1:

- a. Nylon or Wire Leader (any poundage) not to exceed 15 feet in length.
- b. 15 feet of unused line to be supplied for B/S Testing with application.
- c. The decision of the Recorder and Committee shall be Final.
- d. Witness to be 17 years of age or over.