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NEXT GENERAL MEETING:

The next General Meeting will be held in the Buffaloes Hall, Onslow Road, Shenton Park on Wednesday, 10th March, 1971 at 8 p.m. sharp.

INSTRUCTION PERIOD: There will be a talk on Margaret River area at this meeting so that members may be enlightened about this new venue; I am sure there are a lot of members who haven't fished this area and wish to ask a lot of questions; so some lucky member has a job on his hands - no other than JOHN DEVITT.

NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING:

The next Committee Meeting will be held in the Buffaloes Hall, Onslow Road, Shenton Park on Thursday, 18th March, 1971 at 7.30 p.m.

MARCH FIELD DAY: 27/28th Feb - 1st March

MURCHISON

This venue will be conducted over the long weekend of 27/28th February and 1st March. Fishing limits will be South to Lucky Bay and North as far as anyone cares to "walk" from Oyster Reef. Bait will be available at Murchison Tourist & Trading Centre (Bob Lilly Proprietor). 5 lb packs of Mullies \$1.40 pkt, Gardies 45 cents lb. Fishing will commence at 4 p.m. on the Saturday and cease at 8 a.m. on the Monday. Weigh-in and signing on times will be advised at the February General Meeting.

MARCH DRYCASTING:

This competition will be conducted at the Floreat Park Oval on Sunday, 7th March, commencing at 9 a.m. sharp. Casting will consist of the usual level line, double-handed and single-handed accuracy events, plus the final double handed open event. Roll up and have a dash, you may even end up a dollar or two richer.

LIFE MEMBERS:

MESSRS. D.C. BROWN, V. DAVIS, L.M. DUNN, D.O. EDWARDS, N. KNIGHT and L. SWAND.

FEBRUARY FIELD DAYROTTNEST

The "Rotto" field day turned out a fiasco in as much as only twenty six anglers (this includes four visitors and two juniors) fronted. No doubt a great percentage of those absent were thinking of the Murchison in a fortnight. And some probably did not think much of Rottneest in February.

Anglers this is up to you to fill in the form at the back of "Reel Talk" (should be in next month) - the committee can only work on those filled in. The club as a result of the poor response will have to subsidise the venue to the tune of about \$55.00.

The trip across was uneventful (except for one who was sick and four who felt that way), though the S-W breeze roughed up the sea and some water came inboard.

Arriving safely we had to wait for the truck and bus, (brilliant arranging on someone's part). When the vehicles did turn up, the gear was loaded quickly and then away.

First stop was the "Caves" area with about eight anglers disembarking. Saw Lofty sprinting over the hill as if he was caught short. However, this was not the case - he merely wanted to have a look at the water. He was soon back and he, Graham and Hewie restowed their gear on the truck. This was not for them. Too much weed.

Next stop was the "Larger Arms" at Strickland Bay and here "Snow", Doug and visitor STAN CHAMBERS off loaded. A number of members speculated on the large blanket covered box that DOUG had brought. SNOW was heard to remark that it was the "tele" and they were going to be comfortable. What was in it Doug?

Half a mile further up another eight alighted and amongst these were ALF RUTLAND, HAL NEIL and two visitors, JIM STRONG, PHIL NERI, myself and lad RAY. Alf, Hal and their two visitors fished the southern portion of Strickland. Our party more or less fished the centre.

The last stop was "Radar" and here a motley assorted bunch of anglers disgorged themselves. Namely "LOFTY", GRAHAM, HEWIE, GEORGE HOLMAN, DENNIS GREEN, BARRY REYNOLDS, KEITH FLEMING, BILL MORROW and THE PRESIDENT. As the best anglers were amongst this lot the scores were expected from this area.

Back at Strickland, gear was lugged to our chosen spots, rigs assembled, a bite to eat and on with the fishing. Early in the afternoon young Ray quickly caught two fish and then later a few more. JIM STRONG hadn't been too successful, but then close to dark, hooked a small "blue whaler", weighing 13 lb.

Around six o'clock SELWYN approached from the Caves carrying a bundle of gear. He had stopped briefly with "SNOW" and party but found the going too rough. Selwyn eventually joined us and fished unsuccessfully.

From our position we could see SNOW, DOUG and STAN amongst the tailor and how we envied them. They finished up with good bags and DOUG gained the heaviest bag of scalefish, with $20\frac{1}{2}$ lb - mostly tailor and one buff. "SNOW" compiled $18\frac{1}{2}$ lb while STAN managed $15\frac{1}{4}$ lb. Quite a useful total from this area.

Meanwhile back at our spot, PHIL NERI had fished without luck, managing only to catch a few small ones and these he used for bait. Phil had fished past ALF RUTLAND and party, arriving back at H.Q. saying that ALF had landed a couple of nice sharks just before dark, (6.30 p.m.).

Talking to ALF next morning, he remarked on the fact that the two sharks were caught. The first he thought was a sea kingie the way it leapt from the water and put up quite a fight. The second was caught in quicker time. ALF used 16 pound line and was careful - his total was $48\frac{1}{2}$ lb.

Burlyng up the spot where young Ray had caught his fish the previous night, it wasn't long before he started again; a nice skippy and then a beauty - 2lb 3oz. I don't know how to stop him short of not bringing him. He then hauled in a few more to rub in the salt. His bag was $9\frac{3}{4}$ lb - mine was $4\frac{1}{4}$ lb. Beaten again.

Up at Radar, RON and BILL were fishing almost at Wilson's Bay. HEWIE was fishing a short distance away when he hauled in a possible State Record - a 2lb 7oz King George Whiting. Congrats.

BARRY REYNOLDS had started at Radar but wound up west off Fishhook Bay. While fishing here, he hooked into a JEWIE, but was unable to land it. The water here was extremely deep with the line down at a sharp angle. Around dark and fishing by himself, he decided to move down to Fishhook Bay.

It was here that GRAHAM, DENNIS and GEORGE turned up and joined Barry. During the night Barry caught his shark and then shortly after GRAHAM caught his 46 pounder. Barry had five runs altogether and lost 10 rigs in fishing till 1 a.m. GEORGE had three runs and was unsuccessful, although he fished until 1.30 a.m. DENNIS had something pretty big; it took out 300 yards of line - played it for sometime then suddenly B.O. On winding in the line found it was badly frayed over a long length.

GRAHAM had three runs altogether for his one shark; he also had a jewie on and at one stage could have jumped on it. However because of a overhanging ledge he was unable to land it and eventually broke his 40lb line through. His total haul was $50\frac{1}{2}$ lb.

FEBRUARY FIELD DAY

SECTION WINNERS:

Heaviest Scale Fish : B. Reynolds - 7 $\frac{1}{4}$ lb Salmon
 Heaviest Shark :* G. Baskerville - 46lb Bronze Whaler
 Heaviest Bag Scale Fish : D. Newton - 20 $\frac{1}{2}$ lb Tailor & One Buff

JUNIOR - R. Reid - 9 $\frac{3}{4}$ lb

SPORTSMAN OF THE YEAR POINTS:

Heaviest Scale Fish : B. Reynolds
 Heaviest Shark : G. Baskerville
 Heaviest Bag Scale Fish : D. Newton

FISH CAPTURES:

G. Baskerville	Shark & Mixed	50 $\frac{1}{2}$
A. Rutland	Sharks & Mixed	48 $\frac{1}{2}$
B. Reynolds	Sharks & Mixed	27 $\frac{3}{4}$
D. Newton	Tailor & Buff	20 $\frac{1}{2}$
L. Tate	Tailor	18 $\frac{1}{2}$
H.Y. Hew	Mixed	18 $\frac{1}{4}$
S. Chambers (V)	Tailor	15 $\frac{1}{4}$
J. Strong	Shark	13
R. Reid (J)	Skippy & Flathead	9 $\frac{3}{4}$
H. Neil	Skippy & Herring	7
R. Kildahl	Mixed	5 $\frac{3}{4}$
J. Thurlow	Tailor	5 $\frac{3}{4}$
G. Holman	Buff & Cod	5 $\frac{1}{2}$
J. Griffiths	Mixed	5 $\frac{1}{2}$
W. Morrow	Mixed	5 $\frac{1}{2}$
P. Marsh (J)	Mixed	5 $\frac{1}{2}$
D. Green	Mixed	4 $\frac{1}{2}$
L. Reid	Mixed	4 $\frac{1}{4}$
S. Dumitro (V)	Mixed	4
K. Fleming	Mixed	2 $\frac{3}{4}$
P. Dumitro (V)	Mixed	1 $\frac{1}{2}$
TOTAL POUNDAGE CAUGHT:		279 $\frac{1}{2}$ lb

THOSE UNLUCKY IN FISHING: Phil Neri, S. Bessel-Browne, A. McLaughlan, E. Parker, G. Garton (V).

TOTAL ATTENDANCE: 20 members, 4 visitors and 2 juniors.

FISHING COMPETITION - FIELD DAY SECTION:

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

TOP TEN:

H.Y. Hew	337	R. Kildahl	251
G. Baskerville	326	C. Buchanan	214
L. Reid	278	L. Tate	226
R. Lerch	259	R. Mansfield	192
G. Holman	263	B. Hanks	191

SECTION 2 - Heaviest Scale Fish - 1st six months

Ron Mansfield - 49 $\frac{1}{4}$ lb Mulloway O Lucky Bay

SECTION 3 - Most Meritorious Fish

(Nominated by the Committee at end of season)

SECTION 4 - Heaviest Shark (Min. weight 10 lb)

Brian Hanks - 96lb - Grey Nurse

SECTION 5 - Heaviest Mulloway (Min. weight 5 lb)

Ron Mansfield - 49 $\frac{1}{4}$ lb - Lucky Bay

SECTION 6 - Heaviest Tailor

George Holman - 9lb 6 oz - Lucky Bay

SECTION 7 - Heaviest Salmon - (Min. weight 7 lb)

P. Marsh (Jnr) - 9 $\frac{3}{4}$ lb - Rottnest

SECTION 8 - Heaviest Trevally (Skipper) (Min. weight 2 lb)

George Holman - 3lb 14oz - Lucky Bay

SECTION 9 - Heaviest Scale Fish other than above

Rudy Lerch - 14lb - Samson Fish

SECTION 10 - Heaviest Bag Scale Fish caught on Field Day (Min. 20lb)

P. Marsh (Jnr) - 117 $\frac{3}{4}$ lb - Rottnest

FIELD DAY SECTION contd.

SECTION 11 - Heaviest Bag of Mulloway
Ron Mansfield - 60 $\frac{1}{2}$ lb - Lucky Bay

SECTION 12 - Heaviest Bag of Tailor (Min. weight 20lb)
George Holman - 40 lb 4 oz - Lucky Bay

SECTION 13 - Heaviest Scale Fish caught on S.H. Rod (Min. 12lb B.S. Line)
L. Reid - 8 $\frac{3}{4}$ lb - Salmon - Rottnest

SECTION 14 - Heaviest Spanish Mackerel
No Entry

"WITH APOLOGIES TO MORE INTREPID 4 WHEEL DRIVERS"

In the light of a previous successful venture at the tailor holes north of Wedge at the December Field Day, Jim Strong and I decided on another try over the Australia Day weekend at the same place. The time of departure on Saturday was controlled to some extent by a female - non other than "Cyclone Rita".

We left Jim's at midday in the Rover - rather late for the proposed beach trek taking into account a full tide at almost 5.30 p.m. The trip to Wedge per the "road" from Lancelin was relatively uneventful. The previous graded surface however has given way to some extensive areas of bone shaking corrugations. We suffered this in preference to facing a boggy beach trip at nearly full tide.

As was usual the beach at Wedge itself was flat and firm and the smooth ride north in the cooler conditions was appreciated for the first few bays. My hopes rose that we would be able to negotiate the rock headland and make our goal. These were soon to be shattered as the beach narrowed and weed banks widened until our progress was limited to a Rover's width between the weed bank and sandhills. It was soon necessary to deflate but the headland was in sight and determinations were high.

Our hopes fell sharply when we drew up at the headland however, as the water was at full flow round the rocks. Not to be daunted however, we parked the Rover and walked round to study our chances of proceeding. At this stage a further hazard presented itself in the form of a large hole which had been scoured out in the reef, leaving insufficient room for the Rover between the rock face and the deeper water. (That is without fitting floats and a rudder).

On recollections both Jim and I have decided that this is where better judgement should have prevailed and we should have been content to get as far as we had.

But not us - we filled part of the hole with rocks - inflated and pressed on round between the swells (took the fan belt off as a precaution in view of the depth of water). Fortunately the motor did not miss a beat and we both breathed easier when we got back on a relatively dry beach on the other side. It was then 4.30 p.m.

With apologies to the Editor, I have not intended to write a novel, so may it suffice to conclude that apart from the before mentioned trials and tribulations, Jim and myself enjoyed a fishing trip with a "bit" of difference and we did get fish - 8 tailor averaging round 1½ lb.

The return trip was largely uneventful apart from another "deflating" session to pass through the boggy beach section. We were also called on to help a lady in distress near the Ledge Point turn off. It was a matter of towing her car back onto the road after she had skidded out of control down a steep embankment. The Rover plus a stout tow line handled this with ease.

"W.U."

LIMMERICK FOR MONTH OF JANUARY

To the weigh-in at Preston did go,
Mr. Tate, known to gentry as "Snow".
He said "Stand back and look out
While I weigh my big Salmon Trout,
It could win me the field day you know".

MARCH FIELD DAY

MURCHISON RIVER

This venue is centred at Kalbarri and will be conducted over the "Labour Day" long weekend, 27/28th February and 1st March. Fishing limits are South to Lucky Bay and as far North as anyone cares to "walk" from Oyster Reef. Fishing will commence at 4 p.m. Saturday and cease at 8 a.m. Monday.

All starters are requested to register at Howie Sangsters Caravan Park between 1 and 3 p.m. Saturday. Weighing in will be carried out at Murchison Trade & Tourist Centre (proprietor Bob Lilly) at the following times: Saturday 9-9.30 p.m. Sunday 10-11 a.m. and 9-9.30 p.m. and Monday 9-9.30 a.m.

Some spots on the reefs and rocks at Murchison can be dangerous; so keep your eyes peeled for big waves that can lume up suddenly. If anyone does get bowled across a reef and suffers any cuts and scratches, treat them with methylated spirits as soon as possible to reduce the risk of infection.

"All members are reminded that under no circumstances will Juniors be allowed to fish rocks and reefs unless accompanied by their father".

We are hoping for a big roll up, so come along, it's tremendous fishing country, and with the limit extended to include "Wagoe", we should get a terrific catch. See you there.

Brian and Les

APOLOGY

JOHN DEVITT wishes to extend his apologies for the March meeting as due to a change of shifts at his place of employment, he will be unable to attend and give an instruction talk on Margaret River.

FISHING COMPETITION - OPEN DIVISION - MAY 1970/71

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

No Entry

SECTION 2 - Heaviest Shark (Min. 10lb)

No Entry

SECTION 3 - Heaviest Mulloway

H.Y. Hew - 52lb - Wago

SECTION 4 - Heaviest Salmon

No Entry

SECTION 5 - Heaviest Jewfish

B. Reynolds - 27lb 6oz - Augusta

SECTION 6 - Heaviest Tailor

K.R. Jones - 10lb 11oz - Wedge

SECTION 7 - Heaviest Samson Fish

No Entry

SECTION 8 - Heaviest Scale Fish caught on S.H. Rod (Max. B.S. 12 lb)

K.R. Jones - 12lb 12oz Mackerel Tuna - Pt Samson Jetty

SECTION 9 - Heaviest Snapper

B. Reynolds - 21lb 10oz - Naval Base

SECTION 10 - Heaviest Tarwhine (Silver Bream)

R. Lerch - 11lb 15oz

SECTION 11 - Heaviest Spanish Mackerel

K.R. Jones - 35lb - Pt Samson Jetty

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

No Entry

FISHING COMPETITION - OPEN DIVISION Contd.SECTION 13 - Heaviest Northern Trevally (Min. weight 12lb)

A. Tickle - 12lb - Learmouth

SECTION 14 - Heaviest Pike

N. Knight - 7lb 7oz - Augusta

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

No Entry

METHOD OF MEASUREMENT: (Amendment to inside cover)

GARFISH are measured from the tip of the upper jaw to the end of the upper half of the tail; PRAWNS are measured along the body from eye to the tip of the tail; CRAYFISH are measured along the mid-dorsal line from the anterior edge of the pronounced ridge which joins the front edges of the rostral horns immediately posterior to the eye-stalks, to the posterior margin of the carapace; CRABS are measured from tip to tip of the posterior margin of the carapace spikes; MARRON are measured from the tip of the rostrum to the posterior margin of the carapace along the mid-dorsal line; all other fish are measured from the point of the snout to the end of the tail.

FIELD DAY VENUES 1970/71 SEASON:

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	Wagoe/Lucky Bay
November		14/15th	Cerventes (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

A MIDSUMMER'S NIGHT FROLIC

The voice on the phone was as seductive as the music of the fabled Sirens of the Sea. "Ow erbout a trip to Dewar's Pool mate?" It was 104 in the foam bait box and much more in my office, so the idea had appeal. I stilled the nagging thoughts of our last try to make this promised land and our encounter with the grimfaced farmer who blocked the track, and demanded to know where the bloody hell we thought we were going? I asked "how are we going?". "Up the beach from Two Rocks" was the reply. Thus assured, "she's on what time?"

Soon after 4.30 found us leaving "The Charles", Freddo, his two young sons and myself in the Holden and the orange buggy in tow. A nagging doubt was raised by Bob's inquiry, "When was high tide?". "From 5.30" I replied. "Hm" said Bob, "but she'll be jake, the sea is dead calm".

Made Two Rocks ok - unhitched and made for Dewar's with a throaty roar from the 4-exhausts.

A sharp shoulder at the first point caused us to run down to the edge of the then calm water, and the bug was battling to get out, we made a further half mile and struck another soft patch. Even the optimist Bob said, "once around the corner and its solid from there on".

We shall never know, for at that moment a soft weed bank caused the motor to stall. "All out and push", but King Neptune who had been waiting his chance came to life and had a hand in the fun.

A series of waves crashed around us, several over us, stilling the motor for keeps. No amount of drying fluid could produce a spark. King Nep. continued his fun, everything and everybody was soaked, and each wave entrenched us deeper. It looked like a tow job if a 4-wheel drive could be found. A search of the beach produced the usual timber, including a stout pine pole of Jap origin. This Bob used to lever up a wheel and a plank was inserted, to be immediately washed out again by playful King Nep. Did he have a ball. Every now and again we had 4 wheels up and we pulled and pushed inches at a time, with many admonitions to the lads to push and not ride on the bloody wreck. An hour later we had it up against the sandhill, safe but silent. King Nep then decided to go elsewhere and look for suckers.

Fortunately the lamp still lit and so to drying out, but no dice. A fractured wire in the distributor was found, so back Bob went on foot to his car and was able to procure one at a garage half to the main road. As we had come to go fishing I gave it ago, but who ever heard of tailor biting on a low tide.

The set of points were installed but still no go. I suggested a fire under it, but this was rejected, however I lit one nearby to dry the clothes, as by this time I was in my midi undies only, and the boys were still frolicking in the water fully clothed. It was a lovely night on the beach - moon and all.

Things were beginning to look serious, as the grog and the firewood was nearly all gone. I suggested the fire treatment again, but Bob compromised by burying the plugs upside down in the sand, filling them with petrol and firing the lot,

A slight cough gladdened our ears. I took up station by the carby at the back and Bob on the starter key. Suddenly a pot fired and up squirted water and carbon from the exhausts. Unknowingly I was covering one and intent on keeping her running, when I heard a lad remark "what a beaut black pot he's got". And he was dead right. I had to use wet and dry sandpaper for 3 days to clean up the mess. Even had a chafed navel.

However, he had his coming, as he complained of water and sand in his pockets, so he was upended and shaken vigorously which upset his dignity.

The bug was soon in full cry and away we went, not to Dewar's, but back to the car.

I still haven't made Dewar's and I don't know if I'd be game to try again. I feel it must be the forbidden land.

So the night ended, aching muscles and no fish, but one bright thought filtered through the gloom. Bob bought the grog and I the bait, the grog is all gone but I still have a slab of mulies less 2.

A nice hot cup of coffee was provided by Bob's daughter on arrival home, but of sympathy from our wives at our tale of woe, there was none.

Why we continue to try and provide nice fresh fish for our families I really do not know.

P.P. JACK

CASTING CAPERS

In February we saw seven visitors from clubs to represent W.A. at the angling convention in S.A. These anglers turned up to have a crack at drycasting and to savour its disappointments - and there were plenty!

Our members extended a helping hand to these guests and I am sure they went away far wiser but needing a lot of practise. One of the visitors was heard to say that he should be able to notch up points in the accuracy events as he could cast that far. After the events the same chap admitted it wasn't as easy as it appeared. Well I am sure that a lot of our chaps think similarly after some of the scores that they achieved.

The S.H. Open was more or less a formality - BOB TUCKER had to virtually fall over to lose - the main opposition expected to come from GEORGE HOLMAN. In this we were not far wrong because the spirited contest between these two accounted for the distances obtained. BOB created a new distance of 319 feet during this event and this certainly must take some beating (until the next S.H. Open anyway). GEORGE'S distance was 307 feet; this is good casting and his best effort. HEW Y. HEW could not quite match the former distances but his 254 feet was an enviable distance.

Others prominent were BILL UTTING and DAVELATTO with 240 feet each. My best effort was 233 feet and JOHN DEVITT the lion of distance casting achieved 231 feet.

The final placings for the year resulted in a win for BOB TUCKER with 1200 feet, second was GEORGE HOLMAN whose score of 1143 feet was 213 ft better than BILL UTTING'S 930 feet to finish third place. Congratulations must go to these anglers for a fine effort. Tinny buggers!

During the S.H. Open a slight tail wind was in evidence and whilst this helped in the L.L. Hcp, it was not so in the accuracy events. The breeze which blew from left to right with the angler facing the target, was in fact similar to fishing conditions. For a change the casting was conducted from the Southern end of the Floreat Oval with the lanes running SE to NW. Accuracy events were conducted towards the western side of the oval and any B.O's from the D.H. event could have smashed a window or two.

Some good scores were recorded in the accuracy events, in particular the winners of these sections. Standing up the marking end and watching our group (M-Z) have a dash, it appeared that BILL MORROW could be the ultimate winner of the D.H.A., and so it appeared after adding up the individual scores on our sheet. However, it was not to be. After the A-Mc sheet came forward it was found that GEORGE HOLMAN 60/80 had

tipped Bill by one miserable point. On looking at the scores for these two, some of the similarities in the scores is amazing. (Have a look). Anyway it was a good effort by George and Bill. Running third, some slight distance back, was Pres. RON KILDAHL, who scored 50.80 in registering four casts. Ron started off slowly with gradually increasing points, looked as though he was going to score a "bull" with the last shot. Still eleven is not bad Ron, there are quite a few who would have settled for it.

Amongst those running very close to a place was BOB TICHBON whose score of 49/80 was consistent. BILL UTTING 48/80 had a successful day - an improvement over the past few months. "DEADLY" dipped out with his first shot to my amazement but finished full of running with 48/80 also. "LOFTY" - making a rare appearance - accumulated a useful total of points including his 47/80 for D.H.A. Two of the newer members, BOB FREDERICKS and JIM OXLEY, had trouble in ranging the targets, but with more appearances should figure well. TONY SMITH and ALAN McLAUCHLAN, whom we have not seen for some months, turned up but were disappointed with their scores in the D.H.A.

Previously mentioned BILL UTTING, showing a welcome return to form, easily won the S.H.A. with 31/40. In this tally Bill nonchalantly chalked up a "bull". Nicegoing Bill. I followed Bill and tried to emulate him but could only muster 29/40, and second place. Third in this event, as in the D.H.A., was RON KILDAHL with four even scoring shots. Ron usually fares well in the D.H.A. event but showed his versatility by scoring 27/40 in the S.H.A. The sign of an all round caster. BOB TICHBON after having a wipe out (surf riding terminology) with his first cast, slipped into high gear (auto racing) and sent down three beauties to score 26 points. "DEADLY" showed up again to grab a handful of points (24) to make up a useful total. GEORGE HOLMAN increased his total points with a useful 23/40 and JOHN DEVITT had near misses for two "bulls" and a total of 20/40. DAVE LATTO also scored twenty points.

Generally speaking, although the distances are closer in the S.H.A., the scores were harder to obtain. Seems as though most anglers prefer a full blooded cast. Mention should be made of TREVOR STAM. Trev has persevered with the S.H.A. and over the last couple of months has managed to come close to a good score. This month while not setting anything on fire, scored a "bull" with his last cast.

Moving onto the L.L. Distance, we had a sure winner in "HEWIE" who scored 54 points, with some fine casting. Hewie using John Devitt's gear to advantage, gained distance with succeeding casts and finished with a near personal best cast of 425 feet. There were quite a few handicaps broken (ten) as a result of the excellent casting. The maximum reduction was 53 feet and this was earned by Hewie. Others

who cast well and had their handicap reduced, were ALLAN McLAUCHLAN (19ft), BOB TITCHBON (17ft), JOHN NUICH (13ft), BOB TUCKER and DAVE LATTO, (10 ft each).

Only ten members cast straight enough to escape penalty, the others had varying amounts. Oh, to be able to cast straight!

Five B.O's occurred during the day when most of the casters were going for increased distance. JOHN DEVITT after gaining longest cast of the day with 509 feet, went for the doctor and ofcourse the inevitable. RUDY, MIKE DAWSON, BOB FREDERICKS were the others to fall victims. The other was myself, the only one from our team. I intended to get my first 400 feet but sure came a cropper!

The Top Ten sees little change other than a slight closing up of points, and GEORGE moving closer to DOUG TALBOT and RON KILDAHL moved up into eighth place - three points ahead of RUDY.

Next month will be the final of the D.H. Open. JOHN DEVITT at the moment holds a 236 feet lead over RUDY; still one never knows, does one?

In addition - normal sections will be held and if the weather is hot, ginger beer will be provided. Starting time will be 9.00 a.m. sharp as we have some visitors from the A.A.A. team to have a practise. This will beheld after our events are finalised.

Be seeing you.....

Les and Rudy

4-WHEEL DRIVES:

The way things are going there will soon be enough Landrovers, Toyotas, Beach Buggies, etc. in the Club to convey all members along the beach on land-based venues.

I'm sure that if all members and owners worked in together, this would be practical - all it wants is a little organisation and co-operation.

Two recent purchases of note are those by "LOFTY" GRIFFITHS and ERIC PARKER of short wheel base Toyota 4-wheel drive vehicles. Getting a bit flash I reckon!

A little bird told me that CHARLIE ADAMS has built a buggy, but like all "tales" this is subject to confirmation.

FINAL SCORES : S.H. OPEN			
R. Tucker	881	+ 319	= 1200
G. Holman	836	+ 307	= 1143
W. Utting	690	+ 240	= 930
R. Lerch	672	+ 226	= 898
L. Reid	655	+ 233	= 888
D. Talbot	646	+ 225	= 871
B. Leicester	655	+ 214	= 869
J. Nuich	570	+ 196	= 766
B. Payne	563	+ 182	= 745
H.Y. Hew	464	+ 254	= 718
R. Kildahl	529	+ 178	= 707
D. Latto	404	+ 240	= 644
R. Tichbon	450	+ 172	= 622
G. Baskerville	488	+ 0	= 488
T. Corcoran	488	+ 0	= 488
J. Devitt	218	+ 231	= 449
E. Parker	395	+ 0	= 395
B. Hanks	373	+ 0	= 373
H. Neil	348	+ 0	= 348
R. Jensen	337	+ 0	= 337
L. Tate	309	+ 0	= 309
J. Strong	303	+ 0	= 303
J. Griffiths	0	+ 226	= 226
W. Morrow	225	+ 0	= 225
E. Sullivan	216	+ 0	= 216
B. Reynolds	195	+ 0	= 195
R. Federicks	0	+ 181	= 181
W. Fleeton	177	+ 0	= 177
I. McLennan	171	+ 0	= 171
V. Peireira	165	+ 0	= 165
R. Holland	154	+ 0	= 154
J. Oxley	140	+ 0	= 140
M. Dawson	120	+ 0	= 120

L.L. DISTANCE

	Pty.	1.	2.	3.	Tot.	Ave.	Hcp.	Tot.	Pts.
G. Holman	-	358	348	360	1066	355	134	489	49
R. Tichbon	-	322	325	311	958	319	198	517	53
W. Utting	-	265	284	297	846	282	194	476	48
D. Talbot	-	337	340	314	991	330	176	506	52
W. Morrow	21	330	307	329	945	315	178	493	49
R. Kildahl	21	325	195	286	785	262	179	441	44
H.Y. Hew	63	395	405	425	1162	387	145	532	54
J. Griffiths	-	402	339	400	1141	380	123	503	51
J. Nuich	-	300	331	312	943	314	199	513	52
R. Tucker	42	401	385	401	1145	382	114	496	50
L. Reid	21	309	B.0	329	617	206	170	376	38
D. Latto	-	333	328	333	994	331	179	510	52
B. Leicester	-	321	344	336	1001	334	144	478	48
E. Parker	-	349	346	337	1032	344	131	475	48
B. Payne	42	353	324	319	954	318	177	495	50
R. Lerch	21	B.0	391	385	755	252	115	367	37
J. Devitt	21	509	B.0	457	945	315	35	350	35
J. Oxley	21	266	254	256	755	252	230	482	48
J. Strong	21	315	275	282	851	284	207	491	49
A. Smith	-	345	339	329	1013	338	169	507	52
T. Stam	-	213	250	227	690	230	221	451	45
M. Dawson	42	345	B.0	384	687	229	132	361	36
H. Neil	21	-	302	271	552	184	230	414	41
R. Fredericks	42	325	324	B.0	607	202	230	432	43
A. McLauchlan	63	321	295	319	872	291	207	498	50

OFF TO KALBARRI

Well once again, I'm off to Kalbarri for my annual holidays on the 20th February to spend two weeks there. (I hope). After the last two tries (appertinitis year before last, and boils etc. last year). I suppose one has to be game to go for a third try - still third time lucky.

Lesley and the next door neighbours, Kay and Brian Mollett are going to keep an eye on me and Brian and myself will "case the joint" before the competition. I may have a fish yarn or two to tell next month with a bit of luck.

See you all at Kalbarri.

<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	18	14	19	60	5	7	5	6	23	132	142
13	16	10	10	49	-	8	9	9	26	128	138
12	15	16	5	48	9	4	10	8	31	127	137
-	15	14	19	48	6	9	5	4	24	124	134
10	18	15	16	59	3	1	6	4	14	122	132
8	14	17	11	50	7	6	7	7	27	121	131
-	13	16	14	43	-	4	6	6	16	113	123
11	2	17	17	47	3	3	-	7	13	111	121
16	11	15	-	42	5	-	2	5	12	106	116
11	16	7	6	40	-	2	7	6	15	105	115
-	12	8	13	33	7	5	8	9	29	100	110
7	5	-	16	28	5	-	6	9	20	100	110
15	1	15	-	31	7	3	2	5	17	96	106
-	17	3	13	33	-	4	3	1	8	89	99
7	-	16	16	39	-	-	-	-	0	89	99
4	11	16	14	45	-	1	3	-	4	86	96
13	-	5	9	27	1	9	-	10	20	82	92
-	11	-	10	21	-	9	3	-	12	81	91
-	17	-	4	21	1	-	2	5	8	78	88
-	-	-	3	3	-	5	7	8	20	75	85
2	6	-	3	11	-	7	-	10	17	73	83
-	-	14	12	26	-	3	-	-	3	65	75
-	10	2	-	12	5	-	4	3	12	65	75
2	-	-	9	11	-	-	6	-	6	60	70
-	-	-	2	2	2	2	2	-	6	58	68

STORIES FOR REEL TALK

As you all realise by now, each month I "point the bone" at one or two members for a few lines about anything that will be of interest to readers of "Reel Talk". A fishing trip, outing or experience (honorous or otherwise).

To date we have had some very good articles from various members, Rudy Lerch, Hewie, Bob Fredericks, Tom Corcoran and now Jack Harvey, just to name a few. On the other hand I have had a few let downs. However, I'm like a door-to-door salesman, and once I have my foot in the door I'm hard to discourage, so when I come to you and ask for a write up be an obliging fellow and have a go! The other members would be very interested in what you have to say, even if you give a few of them a bit of rubbish in your text. We're all supposed to be a bit scaley anyhow. I don't expect every article to be a masterpiece, after all I'm supposed to be an "Editor" and be able to lick it into some sort of shape??? Get those pens sharpened boys - it may be your turn next month.

CASTING RESULTS

WINNERS OF THE DAY

- 1. G. Holman 142 pts
- 2. R. Tichbon 138
- 3. W. Utting 137

DOUBLE HANDED ACCURACY

- 1. G. Holman 60/80
- 2. W. Morrow 59/80
- 3. R. Kildahl 50/80

SINGLE HANDED ACCURACY

- 1. W. Utting 31/40
- 2. L. Reid 29/40
- 3. R. Kildahl 27/40

LEVEL LINE HANDICAP

- H.Y. Hew 54 pts

SINGLE HANDED OPEN

- 1. R. Tucker 319 feet
- 2. G. Holman 307 "
- 3. H.Y. Hew 254 "

LONGEST CAST

- J. Devitt 509 ft

TOP TEN:

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|---------------|-------------------|-----------------|------------------|
| 1. R. Tichbon | 1109 + 138 = 1247 | 6. W. Utting | 978 + 137 = 1115 |
| 2. D. Talbot | 1091 + 134 = 1225 | 7. B. Leicester | 938 + 106 = 1044 |
| 3. G. Holman | 1051 + 142 = 1193 | 8. R. Kildahl | 897 + 131 = 1028 |
| 4. R. Tucker | 1044 + 115 = 1159 | 9. R. Lerch | 939 + 96 = 1025 |
| 5. L. Reid | 1030 + 110 = 1140 | 10. J. Nuich | 877 + 116 = 993 |

HANDICAPS REDUCED

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|---------------|----------------|
| H.Y. Hew | 145 - 53 = 92 |
| A. McLauchlan | 207 - 19 = 188 |
| R. Richbon | 198 - 17 = 181 |
| J. Nuich | 199 - 13 = 186 |
| R. Tucker | 114 - 10 = 104 |
| D. Latto | 179 - 10 = 169 |
| B. Payne | 177 - 9 = 168 |
| A. Smith | 169 - 7 = 162 |
| D. Talbot | 176 - 6 = 170 |
| J. Griffiths | 123 - 3 = 120 |