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NEXT GENERAL MEETING:

The next General Meeting will be held at the Buffaloes Hall, Onslow Road, Shenton Park on Wednesday, 8th March, 1972 at 8 p.m. sharp.

INSTRUCTION PERIOD: As I am (the Editor) printing this edition of "Reel Talk" before the Committee Meeting, I am unable to state exactly what the instruction will be. However, I am sure there will be stories of the Murchison Field Day to whet the appetite a little, along with whatever is arranged to complete the meeting.

NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING:

The next Committee Meeting will be held in the Buffaloes Hall, Onslow Road, Shenton Park on Thursday, 16th March, 1972 at 7.30 p.m. sharp.

MARCH FIELD DAY: 4/5/6TH:

MURCHISON RIVER:

Check in and weigh-ins at Murchison Tourist & Trading Centre.
Sign on 1 - 2 p.m. Saturday.
Fishing starts at 4 p.m. Saturday and ceases at 8 a.m. Monday.
Further details inside.

MARCH DRYCASTING:

Due to the long weekend field day in March, the Club will cast at Floreat Oval on Sunday, March 12th, starting at 9.00 a.m. sharp.
There will only be the S.H. & D.H. Accuracy and L.L. Distance, as the Final of the D.H. Open will be held in April, on the second Sunday, 9th April.

LIFE MEMBERS:

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

FEBRUARY FIELD DAY:CERVANTES:

The east wind was blowing hot and fairly strong when we arrived at the check in. The heat had some members lined up on the reef for a quick dip, and what a variety of colours in underpants. TOM CORCORAN stood out in his red spotted white ones, his football allegiance having some influence I suppose.

An hour later, we had checked in thirty members and the sea breeze was blowing quite strongly. With the temperature now very pleasant, we set off north. The beach was a piece of cake to drive on, so good in fact, we did not have to let the tyres down. With the beach as easy to drive on as this, there would be no reason for anyone not to take his four wheel drive along it, even to come back to check in.

From the point of the bay to the hill river, the water was all the same, so we stopped half way between the two. After a cold ale and a bite to eat at 2.55 precisely, TED SAVAGE cast his first bait. At 2.56, a four and a half pound tailor was about to have its throat cut. The significance being that the heaviest fish on the field day weighed three and one half pounds, but this early success was not a sign of things to come; fish were hard to come by. Ted only caught one pound two ounces more of fish in field day time. RON finished with 3lbs 8oz and myself, 9lb 12oz.

SNOW TATE and RON MANSFIELD weighed in 4lb and 3lb 12oz respectively, their fish were taken at the Hill River. Snow had a tailor on the edge of the water when it spat the hooks. With fish rather scarce, Snow made a rush and a grab that missed. All that then could be seen of him above water, was an arm holding a rod.

ERIC PARKER, STAN and GEOFF (J) RENSHAW combined to catch 12lb south of Cervantes. Geoff's 4lb gave him the Junior prize to himself. Last month he tied with PAUL MARSH. NEVILLE RISBEY and RISBEY JNR I think fished south as well, Neville topping 7lb and Jnr. 12 oz.

ERIC SULLIVAN had the best bag for his party and for the field day, with a total of thirteen pounds. GRAHAM BASKERVILLE was all smiles with a 3lb 4oz tailor, the biggest fish at that time, his total 5lb. LOFTY GRIFFITHS was next with 2lb 12oz followed by TOM CORCORAN with 2lb 8oz.

Graham's smile was short lived. BOB FREDERICKS tailor put the needle at 3lb 8oz, the heaviest for the field day. Fredericks Jnr. also caught a good tailor, going 3lb. RON BAILEY'S total was 7lb to put him second in their party. HEW was top of the group with 8lb 8oz. Hew had a battle for sometime with a large shark, but his 8ft leader was not enough and the frayed line parted.

GEORGE HOLMAN was second on the day and his 11 lb, put him a few more points in front for the yearly competition. DENNIS GREEN'S 7lb leaves him still in third spot for the year. JOHN and PETER COTTER fished near the same spot

with Peter showing Dad up by 12oz. TERRY O'HARA'S bag of 8lb 4oz came from there, as did also, RICK ROWLANDS, R. & P. SCRIVENER and DREW SHAW.

Twenty-nine of the thirty on the field day weighed in fish to the total of 129lb 14oz. Not a great field day as far as weight goes, but when the fish are scarce, it gives you some satisfaction to be able to outwit a few of them.

Next field day is the Murchison, a place where anything can come along in the way of fish and usually a fair number of big ones. Your name might be on a couple, so come along.

Good luck BILL AND RON

FEBRUARY FIELD DAY RESULTS:

CERVANTES:

E. Sullivan	Tailor/Herring	13lb	0 oz
G. Holman	Tailor/Herring	11	0
W. Morrow	Tailor	9	12
H.Y. Hew	Tailor/Herring	8	8
T. O'Hara	Tailor/Herring	8	4
D. Green	Tailor/Herring	7	0
R. Bailey	Tailor	7	0
N. Risbey	Tailor	7	0
R. Fredericks	Tailor/Herring	5	8
S. Renshaw	Tailor/Herring/Flathead	5	4
G. Baskerville	Tailor/Herring	5	0
R. Rowland	Tailor/Herring	4	4
L. Tate	Tailor	4	0
G. Renshaw (J)	Tailor/Herring	4	0
R. Mansfield	Tailor	3	12
R. Kildahl	Tailor/Flathead	3	8
P. Fredericks (JV)	Tailor/Herring	3	8
E. Parker	Tailor/Herring	3	0
J. Griffiths	Tailor/Herring	2	12
P. Cotter	Tailor/Herring	2	12
T. Corcoran	Tailor/Herring	2	8
J. Cotter	Tailor	2	0
D. Shaw	Tailor	1	12
T. Savage	Tailor	1	2
P. Hall	Tailor	1	0
R. Scrivener	Tailor	1	0
C. Risbey (J)	Tailor	0	12
M. Dawson	Herring	0	8
P. Scrivener (JV)	Herring	0	8

TOTAL POUNDAGE CAUGHT:

129lb 14 oz

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FEBRUARY FIELD DAY RESULTS Cont'd:

CERVANTES:

Also in attendance : B. Wagner, P. Brambach and G. Laffeber

HEAVIEST SCALE FISH	:	B. Fredericks	3lb8oz	Tailor
HEAVIEST BAG SCALE FISH	:	E. Sullivan	13lb	Tailor/Herring
HEAVIEST BAG SCALE FISH (JNR)	:	G. Renshaw	4lb	Tailor/Herring

SPORTSMAN OF THE YEAR POINTS:

HEAVIEST SCALE FISH	:	B. Fredericks	-	3lb 8oz	Tailor
HEAVIEST BAG SCALE FISH	:	E. Sullivan	-	13lb	Tailor/Herring

Total on venue - 32 - comprising - 27 members, 3 juniors, 2 junior visitors.

A GENEROUS GESTURE:

One of our more senior, but nevertheless, keener anglers in PETER BRAMBACH, made a very generous gesture at our last venue, as you may read in our Field Day Officer's write-up.

Peter has donated \$10.00 to be split up into two and added to the normal sweep money for our Murchison Field Day, for the largest scale fish and heaviest bag of fish.

Peter is unable to attend this coming field day and states that this is the first time he has missed a field day in this areas since joining the Club. Even though he is disappointed that he cannot attend, he is endeavouring to encourage everyone else to attend.

I'm sure the boys' appreciate this gesture Peter and on their behalf I say a big "thank you". Editor.

MEMBERS ... Don't forget to advise RUDY LERCH (Social Organiser) how many in your party will be attending the forthcoming Children's Picnic and Fishing Competition, to be held on Saturday, 25th March, 1972 from 3 p.m. to 8 p.m. at Quinn's Rock.

Prizes are to be won for the fishing competition and a sandcastle competition free cool drink and sweets for the children ...

Don't forget

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, Wobby, Fiddle, etc.

TOP TEN:

1. G. Holman	354	6. R. Kildahl	232
2. H.Y. Hew	299	7. E. Sullivan	231
3. D. Green	291	8. R. Fredericks	197
4. J. Griffiths	239	9. D. Shaw	184
5. G. Baskerville	234	10. C. Buchanan	183

SECTION 2 - Heaviest Scale Fish - 1st six months

G. Holman, 58lb - Wago

Heaviest Scale Fish - 2nd six months

C. Buchanan, 14lb Mulloway - Wedge Island

SECTION 3 - Most Meritorious Fish

Nominated at the end of season

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

C. Buchanan, 10lb 15oz Bronze Whaler - Cervantes/Green Head

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

G. Holman, 58lb - Wago

SECTION 6 - Heaviest Tailor (Min. weight 2lb)

D. Green, 8lb 3oz - Wago

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

M. Dunn, 9lb 4oz - Garden Island

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

C. Buchanan, Spotted Trevally - 6lb 15oz - Wago

SECTION 9 - Heaviest Scale Fish other than above

E. Sullivan, 6lb 13oz - Wago (Snapper)

FIELD DAY SECTION CONT'D:

SECTION 10 - Heaviest Bag Scale Fish caught on Field Day (Min. 20lb)
G. Holman, 118lb 8oz Tailor & Kingie - Wago

SECTION 11 - Heaviest Bag of Mulloway (Min. 20lb)
G. Holman, 58lb - Wago

SECTION 12 - Heaviest Bag of Tailor (Min. weight 20lb)
D. Green, 74lb 3oz - Wago

SECTION 13 - Heaviest Scale Fish caught on S.H. Rod (Max 12lb B.S. Line)
No Entry

SECTION 14 - Heaviest Spanish Mackerel
No Entry

OPEN DIVISION : FISH COMPETITION : MAY 1071/72:

Entries are 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)
H.Y. Hew, Grey Nurse, 94lb - Wago

SECTION 3 - Heaviest Mulloway (Min. weight 5lb)
R. Lerch, 57lb - Wago

SECTION 4 - Heaviest Salmon (Min. weight 7lb)
G. Holman, 8lb 2oz - Rottnest

SECTION 5 - Heaviest Jewfish
No Entry

SECTION 6 - Heaviest Tailor (Min. weight 2lb)
R. Cusack, 8lb 9oz - Kalbarri

OPEN DIVISION CONT'D:

- SECTION 7 - Heaviest Samson Fish
No Entry
- SECTION 8 - Heaviest Scale Fish caught on S.H. Rod (B.S. Line Max. 12lb)
W. Morrow, Queenfish, 11 lb - Exmouth Gulf
- SECTION 9 - Heaviest Snapper
No Entry
- SECTION 10 - Heaviest Tarwhine (Silver Bream)
No Entry
- SECTION 11 - Heaviest Spanish Mackerel
no entry
- SECTION 12 - Heaviest Trevally (Southern) (Min. weight 2lb)
No Entry
- SECTION 13 - Heaviest Northern Trevally (Min. weight 12lb)
No Entry
- SECTION 14 - Heaviest Pike
No Entry
- SECTION 15 - Heaviest Scale Fish other than above excluding Section One
W. Morrow, Queenfish, 15lb 8oz - Exmouth Gulf

VENUES FOR THE 1972/73 SEASON:

As we are now in the latter part of the current season, some thought should be given to suggestions, by members, for the ensuing competition venues.

Each year, as you know, the Committee asks for suggestions before they draw up the new pictures. It is basically from these suggestions that the venues are selected. So start thinking ahead, so that when you are asked, you have some concrete suggestions to put forward.

Give thought to the time of year, where the fish are best at that time of year, and then, the most suitable location to catch them.

There is, in my opinion, nothing worse than chopping and changing venues, as it shows that there wasn't sufficient thought given to this facet in the first place.

MARCH FIELD DAY : 4/5/6TH:

MURCHISON:

BOUNDARIES:

South - Lucky Bay
North - As far as you care to
walk from Oyster Reef

REGISTRATION:

At the Murchison Tourist and Trading Centre.
Between 1 - 2 p.m. Saturday.

FISHING:

Commences at 4 p.m. Saturday and
Ceases at 8 a.m. Monday.

WEIGH-IN:

The Murchison Tourist and Trading Centre
have very kindly offered us the facilities
to conduct weigh-ins as in past years.

Weigh-in times will be:-

Sunday	9-10 a.m.
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Monday	8- 9 a.m.

Bait available for sale on the venue consists of fillet mullet and occie.
There are no gardies, and mulies are a doubtful commodity.

PRESTON BEACH COMPETITION: (A.A.A. OF W.A.)

This event will again take place this year and will be conducted at
Preston Beach over the weekend of 18th and 19th March. Entry forms are
now available at a cost of \$1.50 for the Open Section; 50 cents for Women;
and 50 cents for children Under 16.

The W.A. Division is looking forward to a good entry from the Surf Casting
and Angling Club.

There is once again, a very good array of prizes available for the
numerous sections, donated by generous sponsors. Even though this is
the weekend after our Murchison venue, it could well be worthwhile taking
the trouble to enter, as you may be lucky.

See your Club Delegate for entry forms or read the fishing notes in the
"Sunday Times".

FORTHCOMING CHILDREN'S PICNIC:

Our Social Organiser, Rudy Lerch, is in the process of arranging an outing for the families, to be held on Saturday, 25th March, 1972. It is to take the form of a picnic/fishing competition for the youngsters.

The tentative starting time will be 3 o'clock and the venue will be Quinn's Rock (look for the Club signs). Between 3 o'clock and 4.30, there will be a sandcastle competition for girls and boys, and there is a prize for each section. After this event, the girls and boys can get stuck into those fish until around 7.30, when the weigh-in will be conducted. There will also be a prize for the boy and girl with the biggest bag of fish.

Entry fee will be 20 cents per child and entitles the entrant to both the Sandcastle and Fishing Competitions.

Ginger Beer, lollies and watermelon (we hope) will be available FREE. Sandwiches will be supplied at 15 cents a round and hot dogs at 10 cents each. Coffee may be made available for the adults.

There will be a small raffle run for adults, the proceeds going towards the cost of running the day.

Rudy requests that members intending to come along with their families (you can also bring friends and their children if you wish), get in touch with him or let him know at the next meeting if they are coming, so that he can cater for the number that will be present.

May and Lofty Griffiths are helping Rudy to get this function under way, but Rudy would appreciate any assistance from the members.

So get with it Mums and Dads, and give the kids a few hours down at the beach.

APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP:

The following applications for membership to our Club have been received. Any member having any reason(s) why these people should not be accepted as a member of this Club, are invited to contact a Committee Member.

JUNIOR: SCRIVENER: Peter John
25 Arlunya Ave.
Belmont. 6104.

SENIOR: O'HARA: Terry
87 Mountjoy Road,
Nedlands. 6009.

LUNDY: Ray S.
242 McDonald Street,
Tuart Hill. 6060.

BARRINGTON: Garth W.
27 Grenville Street,
Tuart Hill. 6060.

APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP CONT'D:

The following applications for membership have been accepted.

SENIOR MEMBERS:

NOCK: Christopher
14 Buckle Street
Balcatta. 6021.

HALL: Percy Samuel
18 Carnarvon Crescent
Mt. Lawley. 6050.

PRESTON BEACH COMPETITION (A.A.A. OF W.A.):

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See your Club Delegates for entry forms or read the fishing notes in the "Sunday Times."

DON'T FORGET MEMBERS TO ADVISE RUDY
IF YOU INTEND COMING ALONG, WITH YOUR CHILDREN,
TO QUINN'S ROCK ON SATURDAY, 25TH MARCH, 1972,
FROM 3 - 8 P.M. FOR THE CHILDREN'S FISHING
COMPETITION PICNIC.

FREE GINGER BEER, LOLLIES AVAILABLE.

REMEMBER NOW SATURDAY, 25TH MARCH.

SEE YOU THERE

FEBRUARY CAST

Considering the time, there was a good roll up of 27 members to participate in our monthly cast. The holiday had taken its toll and notable absentees were R. KILDAHL, L. REID, D. TALBOT, D. LATTO, H. BARROT and the LUCAS family - all no doubt enjoying the holiday elsewhere. It was good to see new members P. HALL and H. MORREL performing as "first-time old-timers", and a welcome return to J. DEVITT who has been dogged by a shoulder injury.

The morning was hot and very humid with a westerly wind drift, but it was the humidity which cut back the scores in the level line distance with only two exceptions. They were G. BASKERVILLE 38 points, and J. DEVITT 38 points; scores good enough to win this section. There were several unfortunate B.O.'s, notably E. PARKER (again!), B. FREDERICKS and R. LERCH. Frequent mention of the speed and dexterity of one of the markers, was made by many members and it was only when the cloud of dust settled that members realised that it was TINY! Others to score well were N. KNIGHT 35, R. TUCKER and D.C.O. 33, H.Y. HEW and D. GREEN (11/12) 32, and G. HOLMAN 31.

The Double-Handed Accuracy section saw some good scores with a bull from N. KNIGHT and W. UTTING at a target 216 feet away! R. FREDERICKS had trouble in this event - not scoring anything. Even TINY got 24. However this event was won in fine style by R. LERCH 59, followed by N. KNIGHT and R. TUCKER 57, G. HOLMAN 54, R. TICHBON 49, D.C.O. 47, W. UTTING and J. STRONG 45.

The Single Handed Accuracy saw a remarkable improvement in the scoring. The previous month only 2 members scored 20+. This month there were 11. R. LERCH, R. TUCKER, R. TICHBON all scored bulls and even T. STAM talked himself into a bull - but then for Trevor that's not hard. N. KNIGHT with four even casts notched 33 to win this event from B. LEICESTER 28, R. LERCH 27, G. GILDERSLEEVE 26, G. HOLMAN 23, H.Y. HEW 22 and G. BASKERVILLE, T. STAM and R. TUCKER 21.

The overall points score saw N. KNIGHT score 135 points to easily take cut the "pot". He was followed by a "back to form" TUCKER 121, unlucky LERCH 119 (had to overcome a B.O.), unlucky HOLMAN (S.H. Open by a foot) 118, and consistent BASKERVILLE (113 last month) 113, TICHBON 108, D.C.O. and J. DEVITT 103 and B. LEICESTER 101 - all scored well.

R. TUCKER 1044 and H.Y. HEW 1018 changed positions in the top twenty and NOEL moved a little further away from GEORGE, but it's still wide open with 2 casts to go.

Mentioning OPEN brings me to the Single Handed Open Final cast for this season. G. HOLMAN had the narrowest lead of 1 point over R. TUCKER, so Bob had to put down a cast 2ft longer than George's at least. So that's just what he did. Bob's best was 250 feet and George's 248. Congratulations to Bob and condolences to George - it was a great competition. GRAHAM

BASKERVILLE has indicated his potential for next season with a fine 24 ft - only 4 behind you George!

All in all, the season is producing its exciting moments as it draws to a close. Both GRAHAM and I hope that this is indicative of things for the 1972-73 season, when more members will come along and take part in the spirit of fine competition, learn something themselves and also shake up our "seasoned veterans".

TOM & GRAHAM

RESULTS OF FEBRUARY CAST:

S.H. OPEN:

- 1. R. Tucker 250
- 2. G. Holman 248
- 3. G. Baskerville 244
- 4. T. Corcoran 221
- 5. H.Y. Hew 210

FINAL POINTS FOR 1972:

- 1. R. Tucker 1042
- 2. G. Holman 1041
- 3. H.Y. Hew 985
- 4. G. Baskerville 929
- 5. T. Corcoran 892

S.H. ACCURACY:

- 1. N. Knight 33
- 2. B. Leicester 28
- 3. R. Lerch 27
- 4. G. Gildersleeve 26
- 5. G. Holman 23

D.H. ACCURACY:

- 1. R. Lerch 59
- 2. N. Knight) 57
- R. Tucker) 57
- 3. G. Holman 54
- 4. R. Tichbon 49

LEVEL LINE DISTANCE:

- 1. G. Baskerville) 38
- J. Devitt) 38
- 2. N. Knight 35
- 3. R. Tucker) 33
- 4. T. Corcoran) 33

LONGEST CASTS:

- G. Baskerville 423 feet (in)
- J. Devitt 435 feet (out)

OVERALL POINTS WINNERS:

TOP TWENTY:

- 1. N. Knight 1116
- 2. G. Holman 1091
- 3. R. Tucker 1044
- 4. H.Y. Hew 1018
- 5. R. Lerch 1002
- 6. R. Tichbon 948
- 7. G. Baskerville 924
- 8. W. Utting 903
- 9. T. Corcoran 841
- 10. J. Devitt 814

- 1. N. Knight 135
- 2. R. Tucker 121
- 3. R. Lerch 119
- 4. G. Holman 118
- 5. G. Baskerville 113

- 11. D. Talbot 806
- 12. L. Reid 802
- 13. D. Latto 800
- 14. D. Green 775
- 15. W. Morrow 732
- 16. J. strong 707
- 17. B. Leicester 682
- 18. J. Nuich 674
- 19. E. Parker 670
- 20. J. Oxley 648

L.L. DISTANCE

	Pty.	1.	2.	3.	Tot.	Ave.	Pts
N. Knight		352	362	342	1056	352	35
R. Tucker	21	333	327	339	978	326	33
R. Lerch		350	338	B.0	688	229	23
G. Holman		305	296	320	921	307	31
G. Baskerville	42	354	423	398	1133	377	38
R. Tichbon		282	302	291	875	291	29
T. Corcoran		309	360	316	985	328	33
J. Devitt	63	383	378	435	1133	377	38
B. Leicester	42	316	342	B.0	616	205	20
J. Strong		273	291	258	822	274	27
W. Utting		316	331	322	969	323	32
G. Gildersleeve	21	376	B.0	375	730	243	24
H. Y. Hew	21	306	318	346	949	316	32
W. Morrow	21	287	302	287	855	285	28
D. Green		327	306	332	965	321	32
T. Stam	21	259	262	256	756	252	25
S. Renshaw		242	257	253	752	250	25
M. Dawson	42	311	295	318	882	297	30
J. Renshaw (J)		224	223	224	671	223	22
E. Parker	21	320	297	B.0	596	198	20
J. Oxley	21	271	291	297	838	279	28
R. Lerch (J)	21	187	158	179	503	167	17
R. Fredericks	42	B.0	257	301	516	172	17
D. Taylor (J)		216	231	259	706	235	24
M. Tucker (J)		299	B.0	70	369	123	12
H. Morrel	42	180	200	200	538	179	18
P. Hall	42	110	75	100	243	81	8

<u>D.H. ACCURACY</u>					<u>S.H. ACCURACY</u>						
1.	2.	1.	2.	Tot.	1.	2.	1.	2.	Pts	Tot.Pts	Inc.Att
10	14	20	13	57	9	8	8	8	33	125	135
16	15	17	9	57	6	1	10	4	21	111	121
11	18	17	13	59	10	9	8	-	27	109	119
3	17	15	19	54	9	2	9	3	23	108	118
-	18	13	13	44	5	7	7	2	21	103	113
9	8	15	17	49	3	6	10	1	20	98	108
9	14	14	10	47	4	2	7	-	13	93	103
-	14	2	18	34	7	7	6	1	21	93	103
8	17	-	18	43	6	8	5	9	28	91	101
17	12	1	15	45	-	7	6	3	16	88	98
20	13	7	5	45	-	11	3	2	6	83	93
4	1	17	11	33	4	9	4	9	26	83	93
10	4	-	14	28	9	3	9	1	22	82	92
-	7	13	14	34	8	9	-	1	18	80	90
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FIELD DAYS FOR 1971/72 SEASON:

May 15/16	Garden Island
June 5/6/7	Wagoe/Lucky Bay (L.W.E.)
July 17/18	Garden Island
August 14/15	Rottnest
September 11/12	Garden Island
October 9/10/11	Wagoe/Lucky Bay (L.W.E.)
November 13/14	Cerventas/Green Head
December 15/16	Wedge Island
January 15/16	Wedge Island
February 12/13	Cerventas
March 4/5/6	Murchison (L.W.E)
April 15/16	Flinders Bay

"A BARRA ... OR TWO": by David Hague

I realise that to have a story come from the far north may be a bit of a shock for southern members, but it is something different to be able to read about something other than tailor, salmon or mullet, and I hope that you might come up here for a holiday one day, and so catch a Barramundi, Queenfish or Turrum.

Anyway, this little ditty is about a fishing trip that I recently went on that had both disappointment and jubilation. To start off, I live at Derby, and each week, I travel 40 odd miles to fish for barramundi with my father. (I am fifteen).

The alarm rings at 4.00 a.m., I reach out and switch it off and go back to sleep again. Precisely five minutes later, another one rings, because I knew that that would happen through past experience. I struggle out of bed, wake the old man and start to load the gear into the car. In my case this consists of a Silaflex 111 and AHU 6000 with 12lb line. Exotic? Well, the way I see it, is that I don't want a tin foil reel with cardboard gears when I happen to hook a 15 pounder.

With little brother, the dog, esky, etc. etc., also loaded, we set off for Willare Bridge, where the Broome-Derby road crosses the Fitzroy River. When we finally get there, after dodging wallabys, Brahman bulls and donkeys, the sun is just above the horizon, and the surface of the water alive with the splashing and rollings of literally dozens of fish, varying from mullet to archer fish, and once or twice, we even heard the "clomp" of a Barramundi having his breakfast.

After climbing down to the water's edge, we split up and move either opposite ways, or work different sections of the river. I must stress that accuracy in casting is a must in this type of fishing (unless you own a lure factory or are a millionaire) and even if you are good, you must be prepared to lose a fair number of lures.

My method is to cast to the upstream side of a likely looking snag, let the lure drift down to within a foot of it, and then begin the retrieve. The usual lure is a blue or silver Reb 2 3000. The retrieve can vary. I have taken fish on both a flat out retrieve or on a lure that is barely moving. My favourite and the one that seems to work best, is a fairly fast one - either hit fast or miss out.

On this particular trip, I found a log that was about ten feet from the shore, and also a patch of snags that was about thirty feet out. Perfect! I could do one cast and cover both places. My younger brother was casting at the second snag from a different position, and it was him that got the first strike. Perhaps "strike" is a little misleading. I should think that "wallop" would be a better term. Spray flew everywhere as this fish "walloped", but unfortunately, he had only 6lb line on, so the unfortunate happened.

I was the next to get a hit, as a smaller fish, about five pound, rose up from under the nearer log to have a go at the new Reb 2 4000 I was using.

You've all heard about the fisherman who "skilfully guided it away from the snag with line singing, rod bending" etc? Well, it didn't happen. From the first resistance, I was well and truly in a flap. Usually the water is that clear that you actually see the fish coming up to have a go, but this one came up from nowhere, hit that lure as if it was the only one left, and vanished under the log. Brute force was the only method I decided, so I heaved on the rod, and succeeded in bringing him up, way up. In fact three feet out of the water. I remembered something I had read somewhere about pulling on the rod when a salmon takes to the air, so I did just that. It must have winded him/her pretty badly, because he gave in without much fight after that, and I safely landed him. Jubilation... there were some people back at the camp who had been there for two days, and not even seen a fish, but here I was with a beautiful 5 pounder after only an hour.

After my pulse had eased back to only twice that of normal, I managed to get another cast out in the vain hope that he had a mate. Joy of joys, yet another fish swept up and clouted the lure. However, this one jumped behind the log and threw the lure to glory around the log. I then had the jumiliating job of swimming for the lure, the first time I have ever had to do that.

That turned out to be our lot for the day, but to show that things are not all rosy on a fishing trip, we managed to push in the rear bumper bar of our brand new car. Oh well! ... Good things can't last.

Since that time, I have caught and seen more than 12 barra in that spot, which is a deep pool only fifty yards long. If anybody cares to call in on me while they are on holiday up this way, I will gladly show it to them, and if possible, help them to catch a barra. Fifteen poune line is the limit though!

OFF ON HOLIDAYS:

The Murchison field day seems to be the time when most members take their holidays, either just before or after, but mainly overlapping this event. This year is no exception.

I, for one, will be going to Kalbarri on the 26th February for two weeks along with my wife Les, and two friends, Val and Tony Jones; Tony is a past club member. Also leaving that weekend is Gary and Mary Gildersleeve.

Others who I know are having holidays around this time at Kalbarri are, Lofty and May Griffiths, our worthy Assistant "Reel Talk" Publisher, Graham Baskerville and wife Anne, Dennis and Christine Green and boys, Eric and Heather Sullivan and family, and Tony and Margaret Smith and boys.

Hope there's a few fish there!!

OFFICIALS FOR PRESTON:

At the last meeting of the A.A.A. of W.A., yours truly was made the F.D.O. for the Preston Beach Competition and Jim Strong the Ground Organiser.

As you can see, your Club is well represented but we could also do with a few more helpers on the day. If you could come down and help at this event, let Jim or myself know please. Your assistance will be appreciated.

WANTED:

BOB TUCKER seems to have become an avid boat angler as well and to help with this type of fishing, he is making up a few "wing woms" and needs the tip section of broken rods, anything from 2ft upwards.

If you have some of the required ingredients for Bob's "wing woms", contact him at home, 151 Calais Road, Wembley Downs, or telephone 31 3212.

DON'T FORGET TO ADVISE RUDY OF YOUR PARTY
NUMBER ATTENDING THE CHILDREN'S PICNIC/FISHING
COMPETITION AT QUINN'S ROCK ON SATURDAY, 25TH
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