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NEXT GENERAL MEETING:

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

INSTRUCTION PERIOD: At our next General Meeting, myself (George Holman), Bob Tucker and others, will give instruction on reels, rigs and anything that members wish to discuss. Come along armed with all your questions and we will endeavour to answer them.

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NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING:

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

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NOVEMBER FIELD DAY : 13/14TH:

CERVANTES/GREEN HEAD

This venue will be held over the large area of Cervantes/Green Head. Signing on will be from 12 - 1 p.m. on Saturday. Fishing commences 3 p.m. on Saturday and ceases 8.00 a.m. Sunday. Weigh-in will be between 9-10 a.m. at the Club Centre - see inside for further details.

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NOVEMBER DRYCASTING:

Casting will be held on the FLOREAT OVAL on Sunday, November 7th, starting at 9.00 A.M. SHARP with the single-handed Open - 1 1/2oz sinker and 6 inches of ribbon. The usual level line and accuracy events will follow.

Let's try for a record attendance - weather fine and track good.

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LIFE MEMBERS:

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

"LUCKY BAY/WAGOE"OCTOBER FIELD DAY

Almost every segment in the fishing competition has changed as a result of the fish weighed in during this field day. This makes it extremely difficult to knock off any of these sections, as the next big fish area (the Murchison), is not until March next year. Although, if you have a line in the water and you are lucky, it is possible that one or another of these sections could be yours.

Some excellent individual fish were caught and I would say that GEORGE HOLMAN'S 58 lb Mulloway would be a very good effort indeed. HEW'S 94lb Grey Nurse shark would have given him a large number of points had he registered on time (next time listen to KEITH FLEMMING, he at least knew the time to sign in). DENNIS GREEN with his 8lb 3oz tailor and COLIN BUCHANAN'S 6lb15oz spotted Trevally and 3lb 7oz Flathead, were other fish of note. ERIC SULLIVAN had his share with a 6lb 13oz snapper and a 2lb6oz tarwhine. DOUG NEWTON'S 3lb 4oz skippy and young GEOFF RENSHAW'S 3lb 8oz wirrah were other good fish.

Generally, the tailor caught varied from 2lb to 5lb on average, although there were a few exceptions. JERRY LAFFEVEER and PETER BRAMBECH, not often seen on field days, each caught two tailor; the individual totals being 8lb 2oz and 11lb 4oz. DOUG SAVAGE and Dad, TED, ranged up and down the hot spots known to DOUG (as a result of his excursions with the Northampton Club) and quite a few nice fish were landed. One of his tailor registered 6lb 10oz and was a beauty. TED had a nice silver bream in his bag which showed 2lb 1oz on the scale, "a tasty morsel", somebody mentioned to me.

Most members arrived early at this venue and some even left Friday morning to arrive about 5 p.m. RUDY, JOHN NUICH and RALPH LERCH were one party. COLIN BUCHANAN and Co. (GRAHAM, ERIC, LOFTY and ALLAN) left around 2.30p.m. Friday and arrived at their selected campsite at midnight. Suffice to say when we arrived at "Half Way Bay", around 9 a.m. most members had already taken up residence. In our immediate area were JOHN COTTER and son PETER, "SNOW", RON MANSFIELD and DOUG NEWTON, had followed us in as did KEN A. JONES and son DERRICK and set up nearby. DOUG and TED SAVAGE also arrived around this time and set up near our front door. BOB TICHBON, TED HORSLEY and junior visitor, CRAIG STEPHENS, came in later and camped adjacent to us.

I knew GEORGE HOLMAN was around somewhere as I could see his car parked some hundred yards away. BOB KLEIN and two sons, DOUG and BRUCE, with RON SHIRLEY were camped in one of the huts and were fairly comfy. JACK HARVEY, PHIL NERI and ARCH TICKLIE were also installed in one of the Northampton Club huts, with one of the members of that Club as pathfinder and fish finder. I think they found their way about ok. but the fish were elusive.

TOM SMITH arrived on venue with his family and it was tipped that Tom's wife would catch a fish before Tommy ... (which she did). There was a rumour

going round that some rods had been left behind and it meant an hours trip back. Any truth in it Tom?

BOB TUCKER, son MARK, JACK KENDAL and two visitors, BRUCE ORKNEY and JIM TRUSCOTT, soon had a tent up and appeared comfortable, with the exception of JACK KENDAL whose back was giving trouble.

One of the unlucky ones was BERTIE PAYNE who had been given the wrong directions and found himself on the "new" road, result, hopelessly bogged. Fortunately, after some hours, one of the Northampton members freed Bert from his muddy predicament. Many thanks to that member.

The S.W. winds made conditions very uncomfortable and those who had ventured up to "Wagoe", had deemed it unfishable. However, Saturday afternoon found most anglers scattered from near the south boundary to up at "Wagoe" reef; (from information received). It wasn't long before some of the chaps started to get itchy feet and looked for greener pastures. Quite a bundle of anglers were fishing about a mile north of the settlement and here ERIC SULLIVAN set an early pace by outfishing those near him. Eric seemed to have the pink snapper on a string and he caught five in good time. The others, catching the odd bream and tailor with a smattering of skippy. JOHN NUICH did fairly well here and caught a nice mixed bag of 13lb loz.

Looking about, it seemed as though LOFTY, COL and ALLEN BUCHANAN, were not here and were probably fishing further north.

Carrying on further up, we decided to try a spot we had fished in June, with reasonable results. Just south of "Disaster Bay" a nice sand spit juts into the Bay and here were three anglers (the missing trio), with the wind almost at their backs, casting into what looked like hopeless water. Taking out my high power field glasses, these fishermen took shape as LOFTY & CO. Now and again they caught a tailor, however, getting towards 4.30 p.m. (Sat.), things looked promising with COL flogging back in the Land Rover. As we guessed, he had gone back to pick up GRAHAM and ERIC. It wasn't long before they returned and the tailor really came on the bite. Quite an interesting night.

Up at the cutting were GEORGE HOLMAN and DENNIS GREEN fishing in very rough water. Through perseverance, they managed to catch about 36lb of tailor between them. Near 6 o'clock, GEORGE had a run and his first thoughts were "shark". Twenty minutes later, one only large gleaming Mulloway lay on the reef and George's eyes returned back in their sockets.

Sunday morning, the conditions had moderated slightly and GEORGE, DENNIS, RON and DREW, returned to try their luck again. It wasn't long before the fun started and some excellent tailor were caught. The fish could be seen following up the bait and from the reports, bigger fish were hanging back and allowing the smaller (8lb 3oz) tailor to take the bait. I suppose

that is how the big tailor have survived - more brains or not fast enough! Many bite offs were experienced here by George who was using 15lb line. (Dennis was using heavy shark gear). It was here that Dennis bagged his BIG tailor, although Drew and Ron Scrivener had large fish, they weren't quite up to that size.

By this time there were about fifteen anglers trying to get into the thick of things, but too late. Whether some of the chaps were standing too close to the edge of the reef had frightened off the fish, (or perhaps not hungry anymore). So at 8.45 a.m. all was quiet and the anglers dispersed.

Weigh in time on Sunday and a few members were waiting at the hut ready to put their fish on the scales. I was disappointed in some of the members clearing off as soon as their fish were weighed, as this was supposed to have been a social hour with the Northampton Club. Still some remained to knock off a few beers. RON presented the N.A.C. President with a suitably inscribed Gavell and thanked the Club for its help to our Club.

What a sight to see, some of the bags of tailor coming in, tails sticking out from the carrying bags. I would note the biggest fish but somebody kept saying 'don't worry, there is bigger ones to come'. As mentioned, THERE WERE bigger fish.

GEORGE RENSHAW with the good result of 11lb 4oz, knocked off his Dad, and PETER COTTER and MARK TUCKER also had the same experience, but not Ray, as I had his measure this time ... next time, who knows?

The Monday morning weigh in was a dead loss as only approximately fifty five pounds of fish were weighed from sixteen members and nearly half of this was my mulloway and COL BUCHANAN'S skippy. A proportion of members had their fish packed in ice and did not weigh in.

Many thanks to RON, DOUG and RAY for the assistance rendered, it was appreciated.

LES REID: F.D.O. (Resigned)

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FISH CAPTURES: (L.W.E. VENUE)

		<u>Weight</u>	
G. Holman	Mulloway, Tailor	118 lb	9oz
D. Green	Tailor, Skippy, Flathead	79	1
E. Sullivan	Snapper, Tailor, Silver Bream	64	7
C. Buchanan	Tailor, Flathead, Bream, Trevally	37	9
G. Baskerville	Tailor, Herring	35	15
L. Griffiths	Tailor	34	8
L. Reid	Mulloway, S.Bream, Flathead, Tailor	33	6
D. savage	Tailor, Skippy, Silver Bream	31	0

FISH CAPTURES Cont'd:

Weight

D. Shaw	Tailor, Skippy	23 lb	9oz
A. Buchanan (V)	Tailor	23	4
R. Scrivener	Tailor & S.Bream	21	8
L. Tate	Tailor, Flathead	18	2
J. Nuich	Mixed	13	1
T. Smith	Tailor, Silver Bream	11	13
T. Savage	Tailor, Skippy	11	5
P. Brambech	Tailor	11	4
G. Renshaw (J)	Wirrah, S.Bream, Skippy, Tailor	11	4
D. Newton	Tailor, Skippy, Snapper	9	6
N. Risbey	Silver Bream, Tailor	8	5
J. Laffever	tailor	8	2
R. Lerch	Silver Bream, Tailor	8	1
M. Tucker (J)	Tailor	7	10
B. Payne	Tailor	6	14
D. Talbot	Tailor	6	14
S. Renshaw	Silver Bream	5	2
R. Kildahl	Tailor	4	12
T. Vivian	Tailor	4	4
P. Cotter (J)	Tailor, Bream	4	3
R. Reid (J)	Tailor	4	3
P. Isbister	Tailor	3	8
B. Orkney (V)	Tailor	3	5
J. Kendal	Tailor	3	4
N. Renshaw	Tailor	2	12
A. Norman	Tailor	1	9
R. Lerch (J)	Mixed	1	8

TOTAL POUNDAGE CAUGHT:

673lb 3oz

Heaviest Scale Fish : G. Holman 581b Mulloway  
 Heaviest Bag Scale Fish : D. Green 79lb 1oz Mixed

JUNIOR Heaviest Bag Scale Fish : G. Renshaw 11 lb 4oz Mixed

SPORTSMAN OF YEAR POINTS:

G. Holman Heaviest Scale Fish 581b Mulloway  
 G. Holman Heaviest Bag Scale Fish 118lb9oz Mulloway & Tailor

61 members on venue comprising: 47 Members, 4 Visitors, 8 Juniors,  
 2 Junior Visitors

ON VENUE AS SIGNED ON:

Bob Tucker; Mark Tucker (J); Jack Kendal; Bruce Orkney (V); Jim Truscott (V); John Nuich; Rudy Lerch; Ralph Lerch (J); Phil Neri; Arch Tickle; Ron Kildahl; Doug Talbot; Les Reid; Ray Reid (J); Jack Harvey; John Griffiths; Eric Sullivan; Colin Buchanan; Alan Buchanan (JV); Graham Baskerville; Ted Savage; Doug Savage; Doug Newton; Ron Mansfield; Les Tate; Peter Brambech; Jerry Laffever; Bob Klein; Ron Shirley; Bruce Klein (J); Doug Klein (J); George Holman; Dennis Green; Drew Shaw; Tom Corcoran; Ron Scrivener; Peter Cotter(j); John Cotter; Ken A. Jones; Derrick Jones (J); Phil Isbister; Albie Norman; Ray Gibbney; Arthur Horton; Keith Rundin; Basil Marsh; Bill Schaap; Tom Smith; Bob Tichbon; Ted Hersley; Craig Stephens (JV); Jack Renshaw (V); Stephen Renshaw (JV); Neville Risbey; Tom Vivian; Syd Patterson; Bertie Payne.

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HEWIE'S 3 TO 1 BADGE:

Hew Hoy Yew has become the second Club Member to receive a 3-to-1 badge. He captured a 94lb Grey Nurse Shark, whilst ballooning off Wago, on line that tested at 23 lb breaking strain. This is, as can be seen, in actual fact, 4-to-1 ratio. Extremely good angling.

Congratulations Hewie from us all on a very good effort.

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SPORTSMAN OF THE YEAR FOR ANGLING IN W.A.

At the last meeting of the Amateur Anglers Association (W.A. Division), the voting was carried out for their "Sportsman of the Year" Representative.

Most Clubs in the Association submitted their nominees, and as a whole, there were some very outstanding achievements.

On the final voting, JOHN BUSCHOLICH (Offshore) was declared the nominee (with 8 votes), followed by myself with (5 votes) and George White from Bunbury (1 vote).

Editor .... G. Holman

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NEW MAILING LIST:

I have just completed a new mailing list for our Club "Reel Talk" and as there is a discrepancy between my old mailing list and the Treasurer's list of members, there maybe some of you not getting a "Reel Talk" through the mail. If you have changed your address, let me know, but don't forget to make sure that DENNIS GREEN also has your current address.

NOVEMBER FIELD DAY : 13/14th:

CERVANTES/GREEN HEAD :

BOUNDARIES:

SOUTH will be the north boundary of the Cervantes settlement.  
NORTH will be 5th boundary Green Head settlement.

REGISTRATION:

Will be between 12 and 1 p.m. on Saturday 13th at the turn off to the Kingie Hole, on the road to Jurien. (There is a tank on a hill on the right near the turn off).

FISHING:

Will commence at 3 p.m. Saturday 13th and will cease at 8.00 a.m. Sunday 14th.

WEIGH IN:

At the registration point between 9 and 10 a.m. Sunday 14th. It may start sooner if the F.D.O. is there early.

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FIELD DAY REGULATIONS:

I am of the opinion that field days are the most important function of the Club. They should therefore be arranged so that members may attend and enjoy an organised competition with a minimum of restriction or regimentation. However, with a Club the size of ours and the varied distances and locations of venues, certain basic rules must be laid down. These rules if observed should allow field days to be run with a minimum of inconvenience to firstly the individual, and secondly the F.D.O.

It is almost impossible to please everyone, but in general, I think I am easy to get on with. So if the rules set out below, on published field day details don't suit you, or you have a better idea, tell me, not everyone else.

The following regulations have been discussed and agreed to by the Committee. A member failing to comply with them, will have his entry and fish provisionally accepted and the final ruling on acceptance made by the Committee.

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1. Registration will be on the venue, times will be strictly as published in "Reel Talk". Registration must be made personally. Members unable to register due to work or other good reason may ring F.D.O. - Home 46 5748; Work 76 3211.



- 2. Weigh-ins will be as published, additional weigh-ins MAY be conducted at the F.D.O's discretion. No fish will be weighed after time published.
- 3. Only legal size fish free of sand, weed, rigs and foreign matter will be weighed.

Members registration will be recorded in a registration book. Dockets will be issued for weight of fish.

BILL MORROW: F.D.O.

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MEMBERS ACCEPTED:

The following applications for membership have been accepted.

SENIOR MEMBER: BAILEY: Ronald Frederick,  
3 McLintock Way,  
Karrinyup. W.A. 6018.

JUNIOR MEMBERS: TAYLOR: Don Vernon,  
192 Northstead Street,  
Scarborough. W.A. 6019.

LUCAS: John Frederick,  
3 Champion Ave.  
Nollamara. W.A. 6061.

LUCAS: Wayne Philip,  
3 Champion Ave.,  
Nollamara. W.A. 6061.

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WEIGHING FISH ON FIELD DAYS:

It was decided at the August Committee Meeting that on future field days if a member presents undersize fish to be weighed in, his whole bag will be excluded, although he will receive attendance points.

Members will be well advised to read the cover of "Reel Talk" for this information and take one with them for reference.

This will operate immediately.

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 TWENTY:

1.	G. Holman	247	11.	C. Buchanan	79
2.	D. Green	205	12.	R. Kildahl	77
3.	H.Y. Hew	153	13.	E. Sullivan	76
4.	D. Shaw	120	14.	G. Renshaw (J)	71
5.	G. Baskerville	120	15.	N. Renshaw	69
6.	J. Griffiths	109	16.	P. Cotter	66
7.	S. Renshaw	100	17.	D. Savage	64
8.	L. Reid	90	18.	A. Norman	63
9.	K. Flemming	84	19.	J. Cotter	58
10.	R. Fredericks	82	20.	D. Talbot	57

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SECTION 2 - Heaviest Scale Fish - 1st six months

G. Holman, 58lb - Wago

SECTION 3 - Most Meritorious Fish

Nominated at the end of season

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

No Entry

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 Snapper - Wago

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, 64lb 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

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OPEN DIVISION - FISH COMPETITION -- MAY 1971/72:

Entries to be submitted on correct form and the hand of the Recorder within 30 days of capture. Entry forms 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)  
Ross Cusack, 48lb - Swanbourne

SECTION 4 - Heaviest Salmon (Min. weight 7lb)  
No Entry

SECTION 5 - Heaviest Jewfish  
No Entry

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

SECTION 7 - Heaviest Samson Fish  
No Entry

OPEN DIVISION CONT'D:

SECTION 8 - Heaviest Scale Fish caught on S.H. Rod (Max. B.S. Line 12lb)  
W. Morrow, Queenfish 11lb - 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 Fish (Scale) other than above excluding Section One  
W. Morrow, Queenfish 15lb 8oz - Exmouth Gulf

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NOTICE OF MOTION:

The following motion was approved at the last General Meeting unanimously.

"The Field Days may be cancelled due to rough weather or otherwise at the discretion of the Field Day Organiser. In the event of a cancellation, the Field Day will be held at the same, OR ALTERNATIVE VENUE AT F.D.O'S DISCRETION, one week later. In the event of a second cancellation of the scheduled venue, the Field Day for that month will be cancelled".

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LAST INSTRUCTION PERIOD:

At the October meeting the Club was honoured by the presence of Dr. Carl Georgeff, who came along and gave a talk on gamefishing and later showed a film by courtesy of W.D. & H.O. Wills. The good gentleman is a speaker of some merit and it was very pleasant and interesting to listen to his summary. I am sure the boys' learnt a lot and were positively drooling at some of the fish and the action shots shown.

A very sincere thanks is extended to Dr. Georgeff from all "Surfcasters".

AUSTRALIAN ANGLERS' ASSOCIATION STATE ANGLING CHAMPIONSHIP

This was the inaugural championship held in W.A. and saw approximately 16 teams and close to 200 anglers participate. The weather conditions were absolutely appalling and was the undoing of our own team, along with a bad decision by myself as team captain on the location to be fished.

However, to start from the beginning:-

It was decided at our General Meeting in July that we enter a team and it was my honour to be elected your captain. The response of names available was most gratifying and as a result, six of the best anglers assembled were selected; there was also some extra good anglers available who didn't make the team because we were only able to have one team (consisting of six anglers).

Those selected were: GEORGE HOLMAN (CAPTAIN): HEW HOY HEW: GRAHAM BASKERVILLE: LOFTY GRIFFITHS: ERIC SULLIVAN and RON JOHNSON. Others representing were: GARRY GILDERSLEEVE, DENNIS GREEN, TOM CORCORAN, BOB FREDERICKS, KEITH FLEMING, REG NOBLE, DON BIBBY, TREVOR STAM and SELWYN BESSELL-BROWN.

After two meetings, one at Graham Baskerville's residence and the other at Ron Johnson's, the boys became a highly organised unit as was displayed on the actual competition day.

Organisation was definitely the key word, and this was displayed in a punctual arrival at the Pines near Yallingup. A little organising of vehicle loads, so that the main body of anglers were in three 4-wheel drive vehicles, and a quick look at the area to be fished by myself, and we went to the Canal Rocks base for the Championships, and all checked in.

By this time the weather was really bad, (having been raining and the wind blowing for the previous 3 days) and once again the weather bureau were wrong, as instead of moderating, another gale came through later that night which contributed greatly to our downfall.

At 3.30 p.m., after an address by the Busselton Shire President, the vehicles left the centre behind the pace car and needless to say, our three main vehicles were not far behind it.

On arrival at our decided fishing area, the team and main anglers got down to the serious task of angling whilst the others helped by putting up our tent and organising sleeping and cooking.

These boys were really appreciated, as they sacrificed their own angling to help the team and other competing club anglers, as much as they could. This is typical of our members and was really good to see.

After 4 or 5 hours hard fishing, the results were very poor and the weather was that bad it was hopeless. However, the boys' tried hard at intervals during the night and again the next morning, but did not receive just reward for their efforts.

Typical of the spirit of every member present was an incident concerning Trevor Stam. Very early in the morning (about 5 a.m.), Trevor (who was sleeping in my car), came down the hill and over a sandhill and down a rocky slope to the tent where the majority were asleep to wake them up so they could get cracking at those fish. Needless to say, it was as cold as the South Pole, pitch black and blowing like blazes. After being awakened, the boys decided to be "chicken" and sleep for another hour, so Trevor decided to do a "boy scout" and check the rods on the beach. As a couple had fallen over, he decided to wash the sand off them and went a little too far down the beach and a wave caught him and gave him a ducking. Not having his wear gear on, he got a nice wetting. However, he returned to the tent, told the boys he would be back in an hour, and headed off up the hill.

As I recall, he appeared to be going a little high, as we saw the headlight disappearing in the distance. About this time, it decided to hail (not just rain) and poor Trevor copped the lot. Sometime passed and I awoke thinking I saw a light coming down the hill. It was Trevor, soaked to the skin, and slightly lost. He found the tent, got his bearings, and set off up the hill, still too high. A little later that light appeared again and after another try he finally found his way back to the car, got some dry clothes on, had a short nap and was back again an hour later.

This type of willingness to help was typical of all present. Tom Corcoran and Bob Fredericks could get a chef's job anywhere after the way they cooked those steaks supplied by Gary Gildersleeve.

After our meagre weigh-in, the boys headed home with a slight diversion at "The Brighton" at Mandurah. Here they drowned their sorrows and put paid to some delicious pies cooked by Trevor's mother, which were more than appreciated.

So ended our endeavours in this competition. Even though it was not rewarded as it should, the experience gained will help for future events such as this. We hereby say congratulations to the various winners and hope that next year we will be there for our share.

P.S. I would hereby like to say how much I appreciated the efforts and enthusiasm displayed by all the boys. I regard the whole fifteen as team members, and not just the chosen six, as it was a true "team effort". I was very proud and honoured to have had such a great bunch of "Surfoasters" and if this is typical of all other Club Members, we certainly have a great Club and membership is something to be cherished.

GEORGE HOLMAN

OUR CLUB PICNIC:

After month's of preparation by our Social Organiser, Rudy Lerch, and his Social Committee, the Club's Picnic was conducted at Mussels Pool on Sunday, 24th October. Their hard work was justly rewarded as approximately 90 adults and 40/50 children attended.

The site chosen was an extremely good one, as was remarked upon by all in attendance. The weather could not have been much kinder, although getting a little chilly late in the afternoon. These factors helped to boost the attendance and contribute to the day's enjoyment.

The day commenced with a well-organised Car Rally which started at Dog's Swamp Shopping Centre at around 9.45 a.m. and finished at the picnic site. This was won by Tom Smith with a time of 46 minutes.

After a good deal of fraternisation and a good look at the animals, birds and antiques that were prevelant, the picnickers set about the task of cooking their steaks, etc. on the barbecues. The aroma and humour that prevailed indicated that all were enjoying the task at hand and after this all important section was taken care of, and a short rest was had, the other activities got under way.

Firstly the children's races were conducted and produced some future Shirley Stricklands and Herb Elliotts. I bet a few Mum and Dad's were pretty pleased with their progenies' efforts.

The three-legged race for women saw Margaret Corcoran and Anne Baskerville flash over the line first. (I think FLASH is the word?). Margaret also showed that she has a mean kick in winning the football kicking contest. I think Tom will have to put her in a Red and White guernsey, as after this season's effort, they need some new blood!

Then came the feature event of the day - the footy match. I don't know who enjoyed it the most - the spectators or the chaps playing, but it was a lot of fun. The paddock was liberally endowed with cow droppings and amongst these the "shirt fronts" and "barebacks" did battle. The "barebacks" really gave their rivals a pasting as was indicated in the scores - 4.4 to 1.2. Out of this however, came one casualty in Neville Risbey. It seems he got in the way of a human steamroller and ended up with a cracked rib. Lofty Griffiths was in charge of the game and did a mighty job. Stan Renshaw was voted the best on the ground and John Devitt, best ruckman. It was good to see the boys get in and have a go and even though they were really "b....d" after this event, they enjoyed themselves immensely. When you see chaps like Bob Tichbon get in and show these younger men a thing or two, you can appreciate the spirit which prevailed.

After recuperating, both players and spectators, the final function was conducted; the presentation and the drawing of the raffles. This list was lengthy and I will not list all recipients, but the major raffle winner was Ted Horsley who won a handsome corner table made by Rudy.

During the day the children (including some big ones) did justice to the ginger beer, lollies, icy poles and oranges that were provided. The latter were supplied by Selwyn Bessell-Brown to whom we say thank you.

Later in the afternoon, the members were seen to head off home with their wives and some very tired and dirty youngsters. I am sure that all present enjoyed themselves and wish to say thanks to Rudy and his helpers (who were many) for a great outing. Hope there will be more in future.

EDITOR.

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P.S. Rudy wishes to thank all those who attended for coming along and in particular, wishes to thank Hew Hoy Yew and Jim Strong for their help.

The Club Social Fund benefited to the tune of \$38 which was a good effort.

As a matter of note, it is Rudy's intention to try and run all functions at a profit so that the money raised at the end of the year can go towards the Club Dinner and help make it more entertaining and enjoyable and thus encourage a larger attendance.

Any suggestions re socials, etc., contact Rudy and give him "the oil".

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FOR SALE

Alvey C4 Series 675 with deep  
spool with line.  
Contact Trevor Stam.  
Phone 49 2172.



CLUB MEMBERSHIP:

This year saw a drop off of membership due to a substantial number failing to pay their subscriptions.

I am quite sure that this was not intentional on their part, but as subs are well and truly overdue, and final notices been sent out, their membership has been cancelled.

There are still a few who have yet to pay the extra \$2.00, and it would be appreciated by our Treasurer, if these members would tidy up this small matter.

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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 11/12	Wedge
January 15/16	Flinders Bay (S/E Augusta)
February 12/13	Cerventas
March 4/5/6	Murchison
April 15/16	Margaret River

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LIMERICK OF THE MONTH:

This month George Holman took of the prize.  
 And when he tells you, he can look in your eyes.  
 For the big Mulloway  
 He caught around Lucky Bay,  
 Could be aptly described as King size.

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And congratulations to you too!

OCTOBER CAST

The finest Sunday morning for some time brought 33 Surfcasters and 3 visitors from the Fremantle Angling Club, down to Floreat Oval for some "fun in the sun". Such an excellent attendance is very rewarding. It was interesting to hear the comments regarding "hot sun", "land breeze", "ginger beer", etc.

The double handed open began promisingly with some good casting. JOHN DEVITT unfortunately broke off with his second cast - and this proved costly. Assistant D.C.O., G. BASKERVILLE, and R. LERCH shared top honours with 424 feet. Others to do well were J. DEVITT 409, H.Y. HEW 380. The competition with only 2 more casts looks quite interesting.

After the brilliant start he made, (387ft) E. PARKER was soon back to form with a break off in the level line distance event. M. DAWSON and B. LEICESTER were unlucky to also "do" a cast in this way. Despite the near perfect conditions, R. KILDAHL, D. TALBOT, J. DEVITT, H. BARROT, (good to see you again Harry, bit out of practice though!), and R. TUCKER had two penalties each - shame on you! J. DEVITT took this section off with 42 points, with other good scores like G. BASKERVILLE 39, H.Y. HEW 38, L. REID 38, N. KNIGHT 37 (bad luck about the "Royals" - affected his whole morning). Good to see F. LUCAS right up with the giants with a very good 34 points.

In the double handed accuracy, BRIAN LEICESTER scored a fine 63, followed by a consistent G. HOLMAN 59, N. KNIGHT and R. LERCH 50. But from there on the scores tapered off very quickly. One "melon" - not sure whether it was G. BASKERVILLE or the Assistant D.C.O. broke off! Sabotage has been mentioned - more likely incompetence. The Fremantle boys did not like our accuracy events much - at the end of the day that is, except for J. GILBERT'S 38.

The single handed accuracy again didn't show out any particularly brilliant scores as might have been expected. Not to detract in any way from D. GREEN'S very good (for him) 28. Well done Dennis, whose score included a resounding BULL - woke up the whole of FLOREAT; closely behind a proud winner came H.Y. HEW 27, L. REID 26, R. TUCKER 24 and D. LATTO 22. With some excellent coaching from the D.C.O., the Fremantle boys really excelled themselves, scoring a total of 4 between the 3 of them!

As it concluded the morning's scores show that 13 casters scored over 100 points, all of the top ten included! A close and interesting competition is developing with six months to go. One slip, a breakoff or something, could drastically effect a casters score and I feel sure that even those casters who don't figure prominently, will watch with sadistic enthusiasm - something like vultures - for one of the top five or ten to make a "blue".

The day was taken off in fine style by H.Y. HEW with 120 pts, followed by a glowing D. GREEN with 118 pts. N. KNIGHT with consistency was third with 114 pts. What a pity B. LEICESTER broke off earlier as he had to overcome this misjudgement to finish equal fourth with R. LERCH on 110 pts. These results altered third and second with H.Y. HEW and G. HOLMAN changing places again.

In conclusion, thanks markers and helpers and especially members for a successful morning and GRAHAM and I look forward to even bigger and better attendances at future meetings. Roll up next month fellas and with your co-operation the morning will cost you only 30 cents and three hours of interesting and, in many ways, rewarding fraternisation.

GRAHAM AND TOM

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CASTING RESULTS:

OVERALL POINTS WINNERS:

- 1. H.Y. Hew 120 pts
- 2. D. Green 118
- 3. N. Knight 114
- 4.) B. Leicester 110
- 4.) R. Lerch 110

DOUBLE HANDED OPEN:

- 1.) G. Baskerville 424 ft
- 1.) R. Lerch 424
- 2. J. Devitt 409
- 3. E. Parker 387

SINGLE HANDED ACCURACY:

- 1. D. Green 28 pts
- 2. H.Y. Hew 27
- 3. L. Reid 26
- 4. R. Tucker 24
- 5. D. Latto 22

DOUBLE HANDED ACCURACY:

- 1. B. Leicester 63 pts
- 2. G. Holman 59
- 3.) N. Knight 50
- 3.) R. Lerch 50

LEVEL LINE DISTANCE:

- 1. J. Devitt 42 pts
- 2. G. Baskerville 39
- 3.) H.Y. Hew 38
- 3.) L. Reid 38
- 4. N. Knight 37

LONGEST CASTS:

- J. Devitt 468ft (penalty)
- G. Baskerville 426ft

TOP TEN:

- 1. N. Knight 675
- 2. H.Y. Hew 653
- 3. G. Holman 640
- 4. J. Devitt 620
- 5. R. Tucker 618
- 6. R. Lerch 591
- 7. R. Tichbon 585
- 8. D. Talbot 584
- 9. L. Reid 561
- 10. T. Corcoran 545

L.L. DISTANCE

	Pty.	1.	2.	3.	Tot.	Ave.	Pts
H.Y. Hew		399	384	370	1153	384	38
D. Green	21	342	338	332	987	327	33
N. Knight		370	385	363	1118	372	37
B. Leicester		332	B.0	308	640	213	21
R. Lerch	21	353	381	330	1043	347	35
J. Devitt	42	423	415	468	1264	421	42
R. Tucker	42	380	336	377	1051	350	35
G. Holman	21	312	306	312	909	303	30
J. Strong	42	325	330	318	931	310	31
D. Talbot	42	325	328	326	937	312	31
T. Concoran	21	342	329	345	995	331	33
R. Tichbon		316	333	306	955	318	32
L. Reid	21	390	396	392	1155	385	38
G. Baskerville	21	426	352	402	1159	386	39
R. Kildahl	42	335	308	348	949	316	32
J. Nuich	21	312	340	328	959	319	32
D. Latto	21	329	327	310	945	315	32
R. Fredericks	21	221	345	300	845	281	28
W. Morrow	21	310	314	201	804	268	27
W. Utting		50	298	302	650	216	22
D. Holland	42	360	380	361	1059	353	35
E. Parker		B.0	361	332	693	231	23
J. Renshaw (J)		273	277	262	812	270	27
J. Oxley		288	303	307	898	299	30
H. Barrott	42	B.0	152	255	365	121	12
J. Lucas (J)	63	315	322	337	911	303	30
D. Gilbert (V)		211	253	275	739	246	25
H. Neil	21	283	314	275	851	283	28
S. Renshaw		300	20	317	637	212	21
F. Lucas	21	374	372	347	1072	357	36
N. Renshaw		304	303	304	911	303	30
B. Fardig (V)	42	325	328	315	926	308	31
M. Dawson	21	328	150	B.0	458	152	15
T. Stam	42	332	340	339	969	323	32
R. Nutt (V)		343	326	330	1009	336	34
R. Lerch (J)		-	-	-	-	-	-

D.H. ACCURACY					S.H. ACCURACY							
1.	2.	1.	2.	Tot.	1.	2.	1.	2.	Pts	Tot.Pts	Inc.	Att.
-	13	13	19	45	4	5	9	9	27	110		120
6	16	15	10	47	4	10	6	8	28	108		118
15	9	16	10	50	3	5	2	7	17	104		114
17	14	17	15	63	6	2	-	8	16	100		110
17	9	17	7	50	-	6	7	2	15	100		110
3	4	18	14	39	1	6	3	7	17	98		108
-	12	13	13	38	4	7	6	7	24	97		107
18	7	16	18	59	3	-	-	4	7	96		106
10	13	8	14	45	-	7	2	9	18	94		104
6	11	14	16	47	-	7	-	9	16	94		104
9	4	11	17	41	6	6	5	2	19	93		103
6	16	5	15	42	-	9	-	8	17	91		101
10	7	-	10	27	8	8	5	5	26	91		101
B.0	16	-	14	30	4	2	4	7	17	86		96
8	11	4	12	35	-	6	4	6	16	83		93
13	14	1	8	36	1	9	2	3	15	83		93
15	-	12	-	27	7	-	6	9	22	81		91
5	13	-	14	32	-	9	5	3	17	77		87
5	17	5	11	38	-	-	5	6	11	76		86
8	16	12	9	45	-	3	-	5	8	75		85
-	11	8	14	33	-	4	-	2	6	74		84
17	18	-	11	46	-	5	-	-	5	74		84
14	9	8	12	43	1	3	-	-	4	74		84
9	14	12	4	39	-	3	-	-	3	72		82
13	8	11	5	37	1	4	7	7	19	68		78
-	3	4	12	16	6	7	6	2	21	67		77
-	13	9	16	38	-	-	4	-	4	67		77
7	10	12	4	33	-	-	-	4	4	65		75
-	15	8	6	29	-	8	-	-	8	58		68
4	-	12	-	16	-	-	-	5	5	57		67
-	13	3	1	17	-	3	-	-	3	50		60
8	9	-	2	19	-	-	-	-	0	50		60
3	15	-	-	18	-	7	6	1	14	47		57
-	-	13	-	13	-	-	1	-	1	46		56
-	-	-	-	0	-	-	-	-	0	34		44
-	-	-	1	1	-	-	7	-	7	8		18

Cont. ... Seventh instalment of "THE TRIAL TRAIL" by Dave Latto .....

It was easy to imagine oneself a spectator high in the gallery of an immense operating theatre. The surgeons appeared as a well equipped and skilled army of ants, making the first incisions into the stomach of a sleeping giant. I imagined the scene should he awake before they had completely grafted the great wall, that would place a lake of cool water upon his chest. He would destroy all and return to his wild primitive ways. The operation a success, he could rest forever, the green of crops to replace the dust about him, and the exciting scent of water on hot earth, driving from his nostrils, the lifeless smell of dry grass, gum leaves and dust. The slamming door of the Land Rover shattered my fantasies; Joy was reminding me we should press on.

Border crossings conjure up visions of barriers, armed guards and barbed wire etc. The Northern Territory presented nothing more formidable than a lonely "T" sign post and two very dusty travellers, the younger of which, was nursing a large, unhappy looking Kangaroo dog, whilst posing for his companions camera. We exchanged greetings and the usual track chit-chat, though both men appeared shy, and more accustomed to talk with each other and to their dogs, than with other humans. They finally climbed aboard an ancient and incredibly battered Land Rover, which, to add to its over loaded state, trailed a large heavy looking boat, the sight of which, seemed incongruous in such dry surroundings.

We made the West Banes River and I decided after camp chores, to try a spinner in some long deep looking pools. Darkness and disappointment finally resolved me to try again in the early morning. The proverb that deals with 'early birds catching worms etc' must surely have originated in the Northern Territory, for their chatter and twittering awoke me well before dawn, the thought of a Barramundi breakfast levering me out of my warm sleeping bag. Many casts, full, hot daylight, and a snagged and lost spinner, eventually convinced me. The water looked cool and inviting as I trudged back to camp, but spotlights shining from the down stream bridge the previous evening, served to remind me we were in crocodile country, and it could be healthier to ignore such temptations.

It was early afternoon when we arrived, hot and very dry, at the Timber Creek store. I padded through the ankle deep dust to the bar, where several sweat streaked faces, turned from their beer cans just long enough to observe me enter and ask for two Swan and a "softy" for the kids. A tended Dollar note returned only two cents change, but much satisfaction, as we poured the cool liquid down dry throats. The presence nearby of a well stocked yard of vehicles, in varying stages of repair, bore mute evidence of the rigours of travel in these regions. Rumour had it, the proprietor tended to be a hard bargainer with anyone unfortunate enough to have dealings with him. With "living" the price it was in this place, who could blame him?

The scenery became more interesting now as we drove for some miles close to the wide Victoria River, and wound through hill country, past road construction gangs of multi-racial workers, though it was difficult to tell white from black. All waved cheerfully, even though our passing raised blankets of dust to add to the discomfort of heat and flies. Through dry creek beds and road cuttings with fascinating rock stratas, and through high dry grass with bands of wild eyed cattle staring stupidly at us from the roadside, or having to be blasted aside by an enthusiastic small boy at the Rover's horn button. We camped the night in a snug gravel pit and spent an enjoyable interlude next morning feeding a couple of very tame Butcher birds, who, I suspect, had discovered the softer side of human nature from some lonely camp cook.

We made our leisurely way into Katherine and found it to be a place of considerable size. Stock yards, depots with huge road trains, those fearsome juggernauts of the dusty roads, houses with neat gardens and new shops side by side with recently renovated and modernised older buildings. Katherine appeared to be prospering.

Joy and Rochelle headed into the cool, air conditioned depths of a large Supermarket, whilst I settled onto a comfortable seat by the entrance to mind Troy, and watch the passing parade. My watch showed 10.30 and appeared to be ticking healthily, when I noticed a young shop assistant about to close the doors. In answer to my query, he informed me it was 12 noon and being Saturday, the shop was closed. Further conversation revealed a factor we had not taken into account, Central Standard Time; The need to advance watches one and a half hours after crossing the Territory border. We were lucky to have arrived in time to shop.

A check during fuel up, showed the Rover in need of a pint of oil and a lengthy debate ensued with the garage prop. on the advisability of mixing his brand oil with the Castrol already in the sump. He, on the one hand, adopted a superior attitude, whilst I on the other, argued with the knowledge I had acquired over the years of discussions on this subject. Rightly or wrongly, I refused to allow him to add the lost pint, and after drawing a disinterested reply from him, and from others I asked, as to the whereabouts of a local Castrol agent, we left, hoping to find a supplier further down the track. The loss of the oil wasn't serious in itself, for the Rover had a big range between the High and Low levels. Where it had gone, and why, and would further loss occur, was the real worry. Forty seven miles on at Larrimah, I finally located Castrol oil at one of those sell-everything shops by the roadside. I had stopped frequently to check the oil level and each time it had shown the same reading, now it read Full. I bought a 35-cent "Swan" and sat under a cool trellis to ponder this odd behaviour. Not again on the journey did such a thing occur, and I still have no satisfactory explanation.

CLUB FISH RECORDS

Ruff Herring	N. Cross	1 lb 7 oz	27. 4.60
Aust. Salmon	V. Davis	14 lb 1 oz	12. 8.61
W.A. Jewfish	V. Davis	44 lb	14. 5.61
Skip Jack Silver Trevally	W. Cooper	12 lb	16. 9.55
Yellow Tail Kingfish	L. Ellis	54 lb	17. 5.59
Sea Mullet	B. Payne	2 lb 8 oz	24. 5.55
Tailor	A. McDonnell	13 lb 8 oz	19. 1.61
Spotted Whiting	V. Davis	2 lb 8 oz	1. 2. 60
Mulloway	A. Livesey	67 lb	26. 3.68
Snapper	A. Werner	35 lb 5 oz	19.11.53
Southern Bream	K. Hunt	5 lb	27. 9.62
Tarwine	R. Tucker	3 lb	16. 7.61
Merwong	V. Davis	2 lb 8 oz	7. 3.60
Blue Groper	V. Davis	58 lb	6. 1.55
Queen Snapper	J. Graham	5 lb	27. 6.55
Spanish Mackerel	E. Sullivan	51 lb	19. 5.66
Flat Head	D. Latto	6lb 7 oz	17.12.66
Pike	N. Knight	7lb 7 oz	30. 5.70
Stingray	V. Davis	124 lb	12. 5.55
White Pointer Ray	J. Hawker	60 lb	28.11.59
Grey Nurse Shark	W. Morrow	201 lb	20. 3.69
Hammerhead Shark	T. Vivian	51 lb 4 oz	2. 3.69
Barracouta	M. Britten	4 lb 6 oz	20. 7.60
Blue Fin Tuna	R. Shirley	38 lb 8 oz	2. 4.62
Wirrah	T. Smith	4 lb	1. 9.65
Slender Long Tom	D. Savage	7 lb	28. 2.63
Bronze Whaler Shark	J. Devitt	126 lb	2. 3.69
Black Bream	B. Payne	4 lb 2 oz	12. 3.65
Gummy Shark	A. Bunnett	23 lb	9.10.65
(Goat Fish) Red Mullet	R. Kildahl	1 lb 12 oz	12. 9.65
Buff Bream	T. Smith	11 lb 8 oz	12. 9.65
Queen Fish	T., Fuller	16 lb 8 oz	2. 3.66
Sea King Fish Samson	G. Ross	50 lb 12 oz	19. 5.68
Nor-West Blowfish	B. Payne	15 lb	17.11.65
Whiting Sand	E. Sullivan	14 $\frac{1}{2}$ oz	26.12.65
Dart	W. Utting	5 lb 7 oz	10. 2.68
Golden Trevally	R. Ellis	27 lb 8 oz	18. 4.66
Purple Sea Perch	D. Savage	4 lb	9. 4.67
Nor-West Slimey Cod	L. Tate	65 lb	30. 4.67
Trevally (Lowley)	G. Windus	46 lb 1 oz	6.10.67
Harlequin Fish	K. Hunt	4 lb	11. 9.67
Brown Trout	R. Jensen	1 lb 4 oz	2. 3.68
Tiger Shark	J. Devitt	84 lb	13. 4.70
Mangrove Tack	D. Talbot	3 lb 4 oz	2. 3.69
Black Snapper	T. Savage	10 lb	9. 4.70
Shovel Nose Ray (Spotted)	G. Holman	122 lb	13. 1.71
Mackerel Shark	W. Morrow	14 lb 10oz	21. 6.71