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D. Brown; J. Strong; B. Klein; \*N. Knight; D. Edwards; V. Davis; G. Holman; L. Dunn; E. Parker.

## CLUB ETIQUETTE

### MEETINGS

The monthly GENERAL MEETING is usually held on the second Wednesday of each month at 8pm. All members should endeavour to attend the meeting so as to keep up with club matters.

### DRYCASTING

Casting is usually conducted on the first Sunday of each month. Instruction is given to all new members and a competition is conducted to improve and maintain the standard of our members casting.

### FIELD DAYS

These normally follow each general meeting on the ensuing weekend. It is compulsory for anglers to attend both the sign-on and the weigh-in. Anglers who cannot attend the sign-on for work or other unavoidable reasons may make prior arrangements for a late sign-on. However, only under very exceptional circumstances will failure to attend weigh-ins not be penalised with the loss of points acquired during that field day.

It is the Field Day Officer's duty to inform the committee of any anglers who fail to attend the weigh-in. It is the committee's duty to decide what action is to be taken.

Disputes may be taken to the committee.

Entries for Game Fish Badge, Club Records and Open Fishing Competitions must be lodged with the Recorder within 30 days of capture.

### COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Please notify the Treasurer and Reel Talk Editor of any change of address or phone number.

### GENERAL ETIQUETTE

If you intend to resign from the club a letter of resignation should be forwarded to the Secretary. Please assist the Treasurer by paying your subscription with-in 28 days of the Annual General Meeting. Arrears of 3 consecutive months may cause forfeiture of membership.

## CLUB ACTIVITIES

**SEPTEMBER GENERAL MEETING**

WHERE:..... ST KIERANS CATHOLIC CHURCH, Cnr Cape Street and Tyler Street Tuart Hill.

WHEN:..... WEDNESDAY 8th September 8:00 p.m.

INSTRUCTION:..... There will be a video shown after the meeting and we may also discuss the forthcoming Greenough venue to assist any new members wishing to go.

**SEPTEMBER DRYCASTING DAY**

WHERE:..... YOKINE RESERVE Cnr Alexander Drive and Wordworth Ave.

WHEN:..... SUNDAY 5th September 8:30 a.m.

EVENTS:..... 112 gram level line D/H Accuracy  
56 gram level line S/H Accuracy

NEXT FIELD DAY

WHERE: GREENOUGH  
WHEN: 2nd - 4th OCTOBER. LWE  
SIGN ON: SATURDAY at 1.00pm . At the S Bend Caravan Park  
WEIGH IN: MONDAY at 10.00 am at the above location.  
BOUNDARIES: SOUTHERN. South breakwater at Dongara  
NORTHERN. Southgate.

Fishing will be suspended between 12 noon and 2.00pm on the Sunday for a club barbecue at the S Bend Caravan Park.

All Chalet sites are booked but powered sites are available at the S Bend Caravan Park.

FOLLOWING FIELD DAY.

WHERE: YANCHEP TO GUILDERTON.  
WHEN: 16th - 17th OCTOBER.  
SIGN ON: SATURDAY at 1.00pm . On Wanneroo Rd at the Yanchep road turn off.  
LINES DOWN: 2.30 PM SATURDAY.  
WEIGH IN: SUNDAY at 11.00 am at the Field Day Officers house  
BOUNDARIES: SOUTHERN Yanchep Lagoon.  
NORTHERN. 2 km north of the Moore River Mouth

LOCAL FIELD DAYSLOCAL FIELD DAY FOR SEPTEMBER

WHEN: 2nd- 4th OCTOBER (LWE)  
LINES DOWN: SATURDAY 1.00pm.  
LINES UP: 9.00am MONDAY  
WEIGH IN: MONDAY by 10.00am at G. Holmans house. Scales will be available on his back patio. Weights must be witnessed by a adult. F D Money to be left with the scales in an envelope with name. Results to be phoned into the F D officer by 8.00pm that night.  
BOUNDARIES Pt Peron to Yanchep Lagoon.  
Phone in sign on to F.D.O. by 8.00pm on the Friday night.

LOCAL FIELD DAY FOR OCTOBER

See above

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# SUBSCRIPTIONS ARE NOW DUE

**EDITORIAL**

Well the annual general meeting has come and gone and surprisingly we have a full (plus one) committee, which is a good sign. To the outgoing committee a sincere thank you for the work done and a hearty welcome to the new faces (reported in the President's report).

This year we need to deal a lot more with fishing and drycasting along with social and I think with the latter we need to get right behind Murray Shaw, who has been pushed in off the end. New blood is surely what we need so welcome Murray!!

Drycasting I will deal with under a separate heading from a State point of view which should have an effect on our club drycasting as well. I have discussed this with Malcolm Head and have his support. It is good to see Malcolm take on the D.C.O. position again and Graham Reeley as his assistant. Just remember members to help out as Malcolm cannot do any lifting because of a back injury.

This leaves us fishing! It is a worry to note that on an away trip to Margaret River for August we can only muster four and the local portion five. There is no excuse for the smaller member on the local as we should all be able to fish for at least one session. When attendances get down to such a small number we need to have a look at the situation. Because I will be in the chair at the next meeting I am going to ask the question of why and what are members (old and new) looking for in the club re fishing?? So give it a lot of thought and I will give this topic time at our next general meeting.

Members like Alf Rutland are a rare breed on today's market. Alf lives in Bunbury and the years are catching up with him (apologies Alf) but he still takes the trouble to ring me to apologise for not being able to make the trip up to the A.G.M. because of ill health, and took the opportunity to wish the club and it's new committee "all the best" for the coming year. Remember, he came up from Bunbury for the Dinner/Dance also, something a few members of closer location failed to do...a real rare breed!!!

Some members have a spate of "ups and downs" and one that comes to mind at the moment who is having more downs than ups is Mark Philpot. I am sure he would appreciate a lift to drycasting and to our field days, so if you have a spot in your vehicle, remember Mark. This also goes for any of our members.

Remember Kalbarri is a good place for a holiday...see Eric Parker.

George Holman

**DRYCASTING - INCLUDING STATE**

At the last A.G.M. of the Anglers Association held on 17th August I took on the job of State Drycasting organiser.

I am worried about the way drycasting is going in the State and the only way to rectify this was to get off my ass and do something. I am asking you all to do the same and see if we can't make it the sport and past time it should be.

So that we can "kick the ball around" amongst anybody interested, from any club, any age, I have booked the MYASC clubrooms on the north east corner of the Singlewood Aquatic Centre (where we are going to have our club meetings) for WEDNESDAY 22ND SEPTEMBER 1993 at 8:00 p.m. I would like to see it packed with interested casters.

What I propose to look at is:

- # Drycasting and where we want it to go in the future
- # The current proposals to cut back or change or not to change. If we align with the Australian body as we have in the past, or go our own way.
- # Set up a programme of training, coaching, lectures, etc with a view of improving the skills of any prospective caster and in particular those who wish to compete in the Geraldton Nationals in March/April 1995. This includes actual drycasters and also any one who wishes to improve their casting so they have a chance at the Champion of Champion Award in all divisions - Open, Ladies, Veterans, Juniors and Mini-Juniors.
- # Help shore anglers to improve their casting skills to help them catch fish in all conditions - Rods, reels, line, weights, lures etc and their good and bad points. This also helps when purchasing equipment.

# Any other topic which may be raised.

Make it a date...see you there!

George Holman

## AUGUST DRYCASTING

Well caster, by now you all know that Malcolm Head has taken over the reigns as Drycastin Officer so I ask you all to hop in and help him and his assistant, Graham Reeley, and take this opportunity to wish them well in promoting drycasting. You can all do your bit by attending. Not only will you enjoy yourself but you will learn a lot and encourage Malcolm and Graham.

We are into a new club year and I take the opportunity to congratulate all members of the new club committee and wish them well and express the wish that it would be nice to see a few more of you attend club functions for this comming year. Participation and fraternisation make a club successful!!

We had a fine and sunny day for our August cast and good conditions prevailed. Long distance costs did not eventuate though so it looks like we will have to practice more so that we can knock off some of the old records. A caster to watch is Harold Hodgson for the veterans as he had a score of 150 points on Sunday. If he persists he will be right in the swing in all the State veterans events!!

Gary Gildersleeve scored a creditable 149 in the double handed accuracy whereas yount Dirk Fitzsimmons slipped back a little (probably all the rubbishing he gets!!)

George Holman had the longest cast in the 112 gram (148 metres) and Artificial Bait (114 metres) and again in the Open 112 gram with a cast of 156 meetres.

See you all on the 5th September.

King Skippy

NAME	112 GRAM			ARTIFICIAL BAIT			D.H. ACC	S.H. ACC	DAY TOTAL
	1	2	TOTAL	1	2	TOTAL			
G. HOLMAN	146	148	29	114	114	23	71	26	149
E. PARKER	125	125	25	106	101	21	85	24	155
G.GILDERSLEEVE	- - -	135	13	99	99	20	149	25	207
M. HEAD	105	107	21	94	86	18	91	11	141
G. REELEY	120	124	24	101	104	21	102	11	158
D. FITZSIMMONS	99	106	20	94	94	19	56	16	111
J. STRONG	- - -	- - -	- -	- - -	- - -	- -	- -	14	14
H. HODGSON	55	66	12	66	62	13	108	17	150
T. STAM	- - -	44	4	20	65	8	85	14	111

## OPEN

M. HEAD	108	104	213
D. FITZSIMMONS	113	113	226
G. GILDERSLEEVE	131	132	263
G. HOLMAN	156	135	291
H. HODGSON	80	85	165

112 gram winner	E. Parker (25 pts)
Artificial Bait winner	E. Parker, G. Reeley (21 pts)
D.H. Accuracy winner	G. Gildersleeve (149 pts)
S.H. Accuracy winner	G. Gildersleeve (25 pts)
112 gram open winner	G. Holman (156 m)
Winner of day	G. Gildersleeve (207 pts)

**\*\* BOTTLES & CANS \*\***

Members are asked to bring any spare cool drink bottles along to either the Drycasting or General Meetings as well as Aluminium cans. Malcolm Head is looking after the cans and Andi Thorgensen knows just what to do with the bottles.

We thank them for their endeavours on behalf of our club!!

18th August 1993

PRESIDENTS REPORT

The Annual General Meeting of Wednesday 11th August 1993, saw the election of the new committee as follows:-

PRESIDENT - Derry Barber	VICE PRESIDENT - George Holman
TREASURER & PROP OFFICER - Eric Parker	SECRETARY - Rom Niciejewski
FIELD DAY OFFICER - Ian Cook	DRY CASTING OFFICER - Malcolm Head
REEL TALK EDITOR - George Holman	SOCIAL ORGANISER - Murray Shaw
RECORDER - Dave Maxted	ASST DRYCASTING OFFICER - Graham Reeley
ASST FIELD DAY OFFICER - Dirk Fitzsimmons	AAA DELEGATE - Peter Osborne
COMTEE OFFICERS - Ian Pilton Darryl Halton Dirk Fitzsimmons Mark Philpot	

It was pleasing to see the return of the immediate past committee members and the recommencement of previous committee members such as Mal Head and Graham Reeley plus the introduction of three new committee officers being Dirk Fitzsimmons, Murray Shaw and Ian Pilton. The response to the elections was excellent and augers well for continued growth and success of the Club. A special thanks to both Dirk Fitzsimmons, Murray Shaw and Ian Pilton who between them will assist the new committee with their fresh ideas and enthusiasm.

A thank you to the outgoing Committee:- The achievements of the outgoing committee over the last 12 months as depicted in the previous Reel Talk was spectacular and has set the frame work for a successful future fo the Club and its members. thank you for your efforts and resulting achievements on behalf of the Club.

Subscriptions due by 1st of September. Please pay now - Family \$45 - Single \$33 - Pensioner \$12.50.



NEWS ITEMS:- New Club Brochure - Major recruiting drive to involve all Club Members. New Meeting Venue - Excellent venue similar to the previous Dianella venue but larger with urn,tv, kitchen, microwave and a place we should be able to call "home". Address is Inglewood Aquatic Centre (near Drycasting oval), first meeting in new venue on Wednesday 13th October. Cost - Half the cost of existing meeting venue. (See separate page in Reel Talk for further information).

PRIORITIES OF THE NEW COMMITTEE:- Recruiting, Fun - Fellowship - Fishing and Drycasting, Shift of Administration primarily to committee level, General Meeting - Fun, fellowship, education and entertainment, fishing and drycasting.

LETS WORK TOGETHER TO MAKE A GREAT FUN YEAR AND DOUBLE OUR MEMBERSHIP

  
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 DERRY J BARBER  
 PRESIDENT

FIELD DAY RESULTS

VENUE: MARGARET RIVER

DATE: 14 TH - 15 TH AUGAUST 1993

ATTENDANCE: SENIORS: 9 VISITORS: 0  
 JUNIORS: 0  
 M-JUNIORS: 0 TOTAL: 9

TOTAL FISH WEIGHT. 20.76kg.

NAME	POINTS	WEIGHT	JUNIORS	POINTS	WEIGHT.
T. D ALONZO	231	14.10KG			
P. DALONZO	94	03.40			
D. FITZSIMMONS	87	01.75			
I. COOK	85	01.51	M/JUNIORS	POINTS	WEIGHT
M. HEAD	20	00.00			
H. HODGSON	20	00.00			
G. HOLMAN	20	00.00			
M. SHAW	20	00.00			
M. HEAD	20	00.00			

FIELD-DAY PRIZES

BEST BAG OF SCALE FISH.	T DALONZO	MIXED	14.10kg
HEAVIEST SCALE FISH.	I. COOK	SKIPPY	00.75kg

SPORTSMAN OF THE YEAR POINTS

HEAVIEST BAG OF SCALE FISH	T DALONZO	MIXED	14.10kg
HEAVIEST SCALE FISH.	T DALONZO	PIKE	02.55kg

SENIOR TOP TEN.

T D ALONZO	681
D. FITZSIMMONS	552
I. COOK	433
M. HEAD (sr)	341
B. HENDERSON	335
M. PHILPOT	266
P. BOOTH	266
I. TAGGART	255
M. HENDERSON	246
D. HOLTON	186
D. BARBER	183
P. DALONZO	94

JUNIOR TOP FIVE.

B. TAGGART	157
S. PILTON	20

M/ JUNIOR TOP FIVE

G. TAGGART	124
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 Eric Parker  
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 Jim Strong

**NEW VENUE FOR CLUB MEETINGS FROM OCTOBER**

President Derry Barber announced at our last general meeting that as from 13th OCTOBER our club meetings will be held at the M.Y.A.S.C. club rooms at the Inglewood Aquatic Centre. Because the greater portion of our members live near this location, it's cheaper and also has all facilities and a more "homely" atmosphere the decision was made to shift. All we need now is for the members to confirm the decision by LARGER attendances!

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**MACKERAL ISLANDS CLUB TRIP****APRIL 1994**

Member who haven't yet made a commitment to go to the Mackerel Islands please consider this club trip again. This annual trip away will possibly be the greatest one we have organised. There will be ample opportunity to socialise, good food and spirit lifting discussions of the days fishing. With a few pale ales under our belts the planning of the next days fishing will really wet the appetite. The fishing opportunities are very varied and the results can be magnificent. The memoirs that you will bring back will stay with you for a lifetime, (mines getting shorter).

Non. member can go to fill any spare berths that are available. At present 13 persons are booked in.

A deposit of \$60 will be required by the December General Meeting from those wishing to go. To be paid to the treasurer or the FDO. I would like to suggest that potential members planning on making the trip pay \$110 per month starting in November so that by March 1994 the bulk of the cost has been paid. This spreads the burden over a 5 month period and makes it easier to swallow. Final payment will be required by 1 st March 1994. The final cost is dependant partly on numbers and some negotiation but will be in the vicinity of \$550.

\* We are planning on having two talks (instruction periods). First by John Curtis in November and the second by Angus Harwood in February 1994.

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**CLUB SUBSCRIPTIONS**

Club subscriptions were due as from the 1st of July and are as follows:

MEMBER - \$33.00  
FAMILY - \$45.00  
VETERAN - \$12.50  
JUNIOR - \$12.50

It should be noted that after the 30th September one reminder will be posted to any erring member and if payment is not forthcoming by the end of October they will cease to be a member of our club. Please make sure you forward your fee to Eric Parker, our Treasurer, promptly.

FIELD DAY COMPETITION 1993 - 1994.

SECTION.	<u>AUGUST</u>		
1. HEAVIEST SCALE FISH (1st 6mths)	D. Fitzsimmons	Mulloway	10.72
1. HEAVIEST SCALE FISH (2nd 6mths)			
3. MOST MERITORIOUS FISH			
4. HEAVIEST SHARK (4.5kg Min)			
5. HEAVIEST MULLOWAY (1kg Min)	D. Fitzsimmons	Mulloway	10.72kg
6. HEAVIEST TAILOR (1kg Min)			
7. HEAVIEST SALMON (3kg Min)	M Head (Salmon)		04.35kg
8. HEAVIEST TREVALLY (1kg Min)			
9. HEAVIEST MACKERAL			
10. HEAVIEST BAG SCALE FISH	T. Dalonzo		19.62kg
11. HEAVIEST BAG OF MULLOWAY	D. Fitzsimmons	Mulloway	10.72kg
12. HEAVIEST BAG OF TAILOR			
13. HEAVIEST SCALE FISH S/H/ROD 4kg or 9lb b/s line (max)	M. Henderson		03.66kg
14. HEAVIEST SCALE FISH			
OTHER THAN SECTIONS 3 - 9,13 (2kg Min)	T Dalonzo	Pike	02.55kg

OPEN COMPETITION 1993/94

- 1) MOST MERITORIOUS FISH
- 2) HEAVIEST SHARK - (4.5kg min)
- 3) HEAVIEST MULLOWAY - (3.0kg min)  
G Holman, 8.00 kg, 15 kg line, Mulie, 3/5.0 rig,  
False Entrance
- 4) HEAVIEST SALMON - (3.0kg Min)
- 5) HEAVIEST DHUFISH  
G Holman, 5.00 kg, 15 kg line, Mulie, 3/5.0 rig,  
False Entrance
- 6) HEAVIEST TAILOR - (1.0kg min)  
G Holman, 3.50 kg, 10 kg line, Lure, Crayfish Bay
- 7) HEAVIEST SAMSON FISH
- 8) HEAVIEST SCALE FISH - S/H Rod (4kg or 9lb line max)
- 9) HEAVIEST PINK SNAPPER  
D Maxted, 4.20 kg, 14 kg line, Mulie, 3/5.0 rig,  
False Entrance
- 10) HEAVIEST TARWHINE - (Silver Bream)
- 11) HEAVIEST MACKEREL  
G Holman 16 kg 10 kg line Lure, False Entrance
- 12) HEAVIEST TREVALLY - (Southern 1.0kg min)
- 13) HEAVIEST TREVALLY - (Northern 1.0kg min)
- 14) HEAVIEST SNOOK/PIKE
- 15) HEAVIEST SCALE FISH - Other Than Sections 2-14 (2.0kg min)  
G Holman, Jewfish, 4.80 kg, 15 kg line, Mulie, 3/5.0 rig,  
False Entrance

NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING

Because our President, Derry Barber will be away overseas we will not be able to use the facilities of Data Plan for our committee meeting so it will be held in our Vice President's garage instead. Please bring a chair to sit on...the concrete is hard! See you there.



**THE AUSTRALIAN ANGLERS ASSOCIATION (W.A.) INC.**

Report from Port Macquarrie National Championships.....July 1993.

W.A. representatives were drawn from Whitfords, Surfcasters, Hillarys, Mandurah and Fremantle clubs. (Total of eight competitive members.) Unfortunately one of smallest our teams, but we did make our presence felt. Port Macquarrie is a N.S.W. mid coast town on the Hastings River. It has more than sufficient infrastructure and services as well as good beaches, headlands, estuary and offshore fishing grounds. A reasonably mild winter weather except the last couple of days.

The number of N.S.W. competitors made up nearly half the numbers, coupled with local knowledge, enabled them to blitz the competitive.

Our veterans had some depth to their team and managed runner-up in drycasting, and the beach team events. On the first offshore event Alan Cuthbert managed the heaviest bag of fish... a good bag of Skippy (three and a half to four and a half kilo's).

In the species section of the competition, Stephen Small captured the biggest Skippy --- 4.7kg. with Peter Osborne catching the biggest teraglin --- 3.8kg. (a fish similar to our Mulloway, but caught well offshore, 30 fath., using live bait.) This competition has been the first where bag limits have been imposed. N.S.W. limits are now very similar to W.A. and the A.A.A. also prescribed a max. of 20 where state limits were open. Most anglers were happy with this concept.

Our W.A. night was a highlight of the social events, and we had a good response to people indicating they wanted to come to Geraldton in '95.

We will have to address finding enough boats to cater for east coast people who don't want to trail their boat across Australia. Also most were very happy to see the use of 4WD's. In the past they have not been allowed on beaches during comps.

Queensland indicated they were planning a similar type of comp. to ours at Rainbow Beach approx. 200 km. north of Brisbane in Sept '97.

Peter Osborne  
State Captain

**AAA DELEGETS MEETING AND AGM**  
**17th August 1993**



There was only a small contingent of club competitors in attendance at the recent National Championships held at Port Macquarrie in July only eight making the trip. Ray Thorpe was our most successful competitor when he was runner-up in the Veterans Drycasting. Congratulations Ray. The Eastern States are now starting to move towards bag limits and conservation which is a good move. The result of the election of officers was as follows:-

PRESIDENT: John Curtis SENIOR VICE-PRES: Ric Hammond JUNIOR VICE-PRESIDENT: John O'Brian SECRETARY: Phillis Baker TREASURER: Sharon Smith TROPHIES OFFICER: Kevin Hughes COMPETITION OFFICER: Greg Spenda RECREATIONAL COUNCIL DELEGATES: Angus Harwood, Ric Hammond and Kevin Hughes AUDITOR: Graham Griffin BEACH AND ROCK: Sharon Smith RECORDS OFFICER AND ESTUARY: Peter Osborne DRYCASTING OFFICER: George Holman BOATING: Maurie Ramsay.



**KALBARRI HOUSE**



**BOOKING RATES**

	<u>Members</u>	<u>Non-Members</u>
School Holidays	\$250 p/w	\$250 p/w
Off Season	\$ 80 p/w	\$120 p/w

From 1st November 1992  
Ring Eric Parker for bookings.



# SAFARI 1992/93

## "DAVE'S DIARY"

19-3-93 Caught up with George this morning, he had pow-wowed with the boys previous evening they had decided "False Entrance" safari was on we would leave on 23rd May around 8:30 a.m. moon - tides - etc, was right for the following week. We would head for home on 2nd June giving us seven full days of opportunity to seek out and tempt some monsters to our lines. Now Dave's work begins. The following Sunday we met and had a briefing, who is responsible for what, fuel and bait additional gear required, balloons - gas - weights - hooks etc Generator - freezers - tents - cables we work from a list collated over the years from one that a good friend - old Bazer, - collated when the club went to Cuvier which was my first trip. The list coupled with the experience of George & Rick has seen us well prepared for our yearly excursions. I have put together a comprehensive list of provision for a team of six for seven days. This gives me a good basis to work from plus or minus bodies or days. For instance, one person needs four cans of soft drink minimum per day, and one packet of cereal per person per week. Fruit - two pieces per head per day etc.

THE NEXT FOUR WEEKS: Supplies were purchased and packed, fuel purchased, gas bottles delivered. The planning slowly comes together by Wed 19th. Bulk of goodies were packed away just perishables and ice left till last minute. George had decided to support the club in state drycasting and so depart time would be delayed.

SUNDAY EVENING: I had collected frozen & dry ice this morning for the ice box. By 6:30 p.m. we had all rendezvoused at 91 Clontarf Street packing trailers and vehicles. This we feel needs some careful attention. One head had to back out from the trip but had duly come along to send us on our way. By 9:30 we were all ready to depart. We left Sorrento as usual with anticipation of the highest order, a clear sky and ready for a steady overnight drive to an area of W.A. that gives us the greatest of peace, satisfaction and some hard, mind blowing fishing. The first of our safari vehicles - Dennis Green's Toyota with a crew consisting of Eric Parker and Graham Higgins - a new member to our expeditions. The second outfit is George Holman's to-go with a crew of Dave & Neil Maxted. As we had been told by the Ranger, five camps were settled in at the point, that was certainly not our scene. Eric Bombaderie had told us of the new track off it winding around towards False Entrance before doubling back to the causeway before heading for Steep Point. So after a steady drive north, an excellent breakfast at the Billabong, we found ourselves cresting the hill that overlooks False Entrance bay. My eyes although red & weary were full as usual of awe at the sight of the waves with the backing of a 3 to 4 metre swell rolling well up into that sandy beach. I was soon brought down to earth and practicalities as George exclaimed "Oh \_\_\_it!!" or words to that effect, "someone is fishing the point." and it turned out to be a party of four who were entrenched comfortably in our favourite camping spot and would be there until Wednesday. After a round table conference we decided to risk the Rangers path and set up temp. camps on the side of the track two hundred metres from the point and move as soon as the other party left.

By 12:30 Dennis had a balloon pig in the water followed by Graham. Within an hour Dennis spat the hooks and smartly disappeared. Meanwhile, Graham rather nervously eying his yellow balloon, wondering what the hell do I do if that set up goes off, you bet-ya, away it went and assistance from Dennis, gaffed by George the first Mackerel of 10 kg was up on the rocks. Poor Graham looking somewhat flabbergasted to say the least. Well was this to be a sign of fast furious action for the next seven days I wonder? But alas no more hooked this day. We engaged the resident fishing crew in conversation, they had moved up on Friday night, two father and son teams from Kalamunda. The weather although dry had been very windy and coupled with the smell they had had limited success up until then, one decent Mulloway and three 5lb Taylor being their high lights.

TUES 25TH MAY: The morning hailed out of the sleeping bat at 6:00, quick breakie and out with the balloons. Neil was first to get a strike but the fish was lost at gaff. George had a number of strikes but none gaffed. Dennis & Graham feeling the drive up took an easy day after a good meal and todie early night was the order as it was windy and showery. Sleeping bag was too much of a draw.

WED 26TH MAY: Moved camp. Weather windy, large swell. George persevered spinning, Dave & George continued with balloon but to no avail, lots of water but alas very few fish. Neil finished the day off by catching two snapper 3.5 and 5 kgs.

THURS 27TH MAY: Weather cloudy, easterlies. George as usual had first balloon out in the water, and had his first strike before the rest of us had left camp. But alas George's Mr Noar knew he had abroad and was waiting for a hearty meal. Result, George retrieved head only. His second strike disappeared with his rig out over the horizon, another Noar had a meal, mouth ache, and was towing a blue balloon beacon with him. His third strike and retrieve was again just a head for the soup pot. His fourth effort of the day was spinning. What a strike!! This time he managed to loose his fish and his \$20.00 lure, this was just too much. He retired to sleep it off. Meanwhile in the wings was the other well known fisherman of compatible ability Mr Dennis Green. He had one enormous enviable eye on George's posie, so he decided to stroll over to George's side and cast a crafty lure. The same as Georges "wham bam thank you mam". The blighter hauls in a Shark Mackerel, George like the gentleman fisher he is gaffed Greeny's prize for him and hell teeth we have never heard the last of it. The rest of the day was windy and wet. Neil and Dave sticking at it but with no results. Evening fishing George secured a nice Mulloway of 8 kg which Neil gaffed for him. Neil two nice Taylor Brim and under size Snapper. Both had break-offs.

FRI 28TH MAY: Another early start Dennis's balloon off first, retrieved well to gaff, but also bought with it a shark that, on seeing its breakfast disappearing promptly wiped the spanierd tail off. A nice fish Dennis weighing in at 12 kg. No other hook up that morning but Dennis making the most of his good fortune, bagged a nice Shark Mackerel just after lunch. Weighing in at 7.2 kg. Georges' jinks was still on his shoulder. Three fish lost one at gaff and two to sharks wasn't he a happy little vegemite?! He was losing lures quicker than he could get them out of the wrappers. Dave saved his grace by gaining three hook ups but not until early evening. The fist a good Mulloway was lost at gaff to swell. Twenty minutes later he was on again, another Mulloway. Neil & George failed to gaff him out of the water. Boy was Dave a joyful little feller. I wonder what was going through his mind. Bang he was on again, Neil & George went for the gaff, Dave said what a word locked up the alvey and proceeded to winch and bounce this little devil up on his own. A nice little 3kg Mulloway. Neil & George had fish but alas were either Brim or tiny Snapper.

SAT 29TH MAY: 6 o'clock start, balloon out George thrashing the water with his lures. Dave was first to go off and landed a handsome 12 kg Mackerel. Within twenty minutes Neil's balloon had gone he reeled in and George gaffed a good 10 kg Shark Mackerel. His first ever, was Dad and Son happy about that one!/? Hang me, while George was gaffing Neil's fish, his balloon went off. Fortunately our big brother was there on hand the first we knew was Rick bellowing "come on you b!!!!s give a guy a hand." Well eventually we got there to deliver our "Rickers" with a nice wee 7kg Mackerel. George finished the day fished off with a beaut 15 kg Mackerel on lure, boy did he need that one to boost his tired lagging carcass. All fished in the evening but alas only Bream and small Snapper bought up two Snapper bitten off. Guess who? our George again.

SUN 30TH MAY: Early morning start, S.W. wind, clear skys. Dave lost at gaff a monstrous Taylor that hit his balloon bait in the white surf although we held it at base of cliff. The swell was making things damn difficult to gaff cleanly. Dennis lost a Mackerel to shark and so did George but finished his ballooning that day only after landing a 9kg Mackerel on balloon and a 16 kg Mackerel on lure. Beaut fish George. That evening, Neil landed two nice Taylor and Dave one good Snapper.

MON 31ST MAY: A lesson to be learnt, enthusiasm was slightly on the wain. Neil's youthful inpatients & frustration and lack of sleep was getting the better of him. Graham was new to the type of fishing and obviously not as wacky as some of us in the perseverance required for results and our friend Dennis just missed his misses and home comforts "a week's just enough Dave" he said. Dennis is getting bored - "too many hungry Noars out there waiting for me Mackerel". George & Dave fished on, weather was a little cloudy and windy, reasonable swell & a sharp chop on the water. Not much doing until 9:30, Dave then had a spell of three strikes on the run, first on just went strong and deep, balloon lost, line shredded. No 2 fast run big flurry in the water, rig went loose, retrieve to bait up again. 3rd strike bang, flash out of the water, balloon sailing in the air dragging a shiny set of hooks. George at the same time fishing on the point had missed out on a strike on balloon and a hit on lure. His third was

a good run on lure. He had been successful in retrieving the fish to within twenty or thirty metres from base of cliff when Shark fins were spotted, three of them, smallish black tipped reef Sharks, they circled the Mackerel which by now was pretty burnt out first one dived in and took his tail, second took the bulk of the fish and the third after a whirl took what was left, lure and all. George was faced with yet another run but now the pressure was off and on retrieving it was found for some reason the Shark had spat his prize, perhaps due to the fact the lure was well bedded in the Mackerel's head and on feeling the hook thought better of it. Much to Georges relief as he had lost around nine lures up to date after this little lesson in the laws of the ocean, we all decided lunch and a sleep was the order of the day.

TO BE CONTINUED... Dave Maxted.

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RECORDER

Dirk, in answer to your querie re Flat Head. There are two recordings in the the club record book:

1. R Jenson caught same at Garden Island 16-9-60 weight 5lb.
2. Dave Jensen (sen) 6lb 7oz at Moore river 17-12-66 length 29 5/8" girth 13 1/8"

Both of these fish are under the one heading of Flathead (Dusky) on further investigation, ie my copy of "Grants" there seems to be no fewer than eleven types of Flathead. It quotes weights of 6 to 8lbs growing to 32lbs. This fish's main identification point seems to be dark colouring and black spot prominent on its tail.

State records show ten types, all obviously found in W.A. waters, but none of these are known as "dusky" and so I guess lesson to be learnt is closer identification of fish whatever the species.

Dirk, please remember photo of the fish, weigh as soon as possible and identify correctly, witness if possible.

Incedently as asked for once or twice, the largest Samon on club record, caught by J Davis at Rotto Dec '61 weighing in at a handsome 6.378 kg or the old 614lbs.

Dont get dismayed by what I have written Dirk you are young and keen and have the Surf Casters spirit. GO FOR IT!!

Good Fishing

Dave Maxted.

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LIST OF FIELD DAYS FOR 1993 -1994

<b>MAY</b>	15th-16th	<b>ROTTNEST</b>
<b>JUNE</b>	5th- 7th <u>LWE</u>	<b>WAGOE - KALBARRI</b>
<b>JULY</b>	17th	<b>YANCHEP Area. ONE DAY EVENT.</b> Bob Henderson has kindly made his home available for a barbecue after the field day. 107 St Andrews Drive, Yanchep.
<b>AUGUST</b>	14th-15th	<b>MARGARET RIVER Area</b>
<b>SEPTEMBER</b>	2nd- 4th <u>LWE</u> (October)	<b>GREENOUGH</b>
<b>OCTOBER</b>	16th-17th	<b>YANCHEP / DEWARs / GUILDERTON</b>
<b>NOVEMBER</b>	13th-14th	<b>WEDGE ISLAND</b>
<b>DECEMBER</b>	11th-12th	<b>WHITE HILLS - PRESTON</b>
<b>JANUARY</b>	8th- 9th	<b>MANDURAH 500</b>
<b>FEBRUARY</b>	12th-13th	<b>HILL RIVER</b>
<b>MARCH</b>	12th-13th <u>LWE</u>	<b>BLUFF CREEK</b>
<b>APRIL</b>	16th-17th	<b>LOCAL will be an open.</b>

LOCAL FIELD DAYS WILL APPLY TO ALL MONTHS EXCEPT  
 JULY                      OCTOBER                      JANUARY                      APRIL