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Dry Casting food and drinks

The dry casting sausage sizzle will be available AFTER the main dry casting events have been run, so please try to keep the dry casting moving along.

Cool drinks will be available during the day.

Drinks are \$1.50 each. Sausage and onion in a bread roll \$2.50 each.

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Membership fees must be paid by 31 July 2011

Please see the article on page 18, and use the form in the July Reel Talk.



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Note 2. The Minutes Secretary, Website Editor, Membership Coordinator and AAWA Delegates are Committee functions and jobs, not additional Committee positions.

Note 3. The Immediate Past President is a consequential fact. It is not a Committee position elected by the members or filled by resolution of the Committee, as are all other Committee positions and functions.

Life Members of the Club

Jim Strong, Bob Klein, George Holman, Ric Parker, Ian Cook, Bob Henderson, Terry Fuller.

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Please show your friends your copy of Reel Talk and let them know there is a lot more about the club on the Club website <http://www.surfcasters.iinet.net.au/>

Membership fees are payable by 31 July 2011

Membership fees for 2011/12 became due on 1 July and are payable by 31 July 2011.

Please see the article on page 18 and use the form in the July Reel Talk.

Minutes of General Meeting 13 July 2011

Venue:- Coolbinia West Perth Amateur Football and Sporting Club room.
Commenced 8:00 pm. President George Holman presiding.

Present:- 20 members.

Apologies:- Justin Rose, Shane Wignell, Trevor Stam, Dean Stewart, Allan Jones, Mark & Wendy Hansen, Kathy Sedal, Des De Villiers, Wayne Shaw, Peter Osborne.

Visitors:- Christopher Stickells, Martin Wearmouth.

New member:- Alan Hale was welcomed into the Club and presented with his membership pack.

Minutes of previous meeting:- **Moved** Jim Strong seconded Andy Thorgersen the minutes of the previous meeting as published in Reel Talk are a true record, carried.

Previous Committee meeting:- Terry Fuller read out some action points from the minutes of the Committee meeting.

Secretary's report:-

Vehicle stickers and Club badges are now available. Contact Pat McKeown. Membership list and attendance records updated for July 2011. Club telephone 9209 2117 reinstated on 4 July 2011

<u>Correspondence In:-</u>	Westpac Accounts Telecommunications Industry Ombudsman Martin Wearmouth Andrew and Julie Vanzyl	Bank statement to 30 June 2011 See Treasurer's report Telstra complaint on Club telephone. Membership application, nomination fee Best wishes, will not be renewing membership due to work commitments
<u>Correspondence out:-</u>	Little Aussie Directory Alan Hale Martin Wearmouth Geoff Raftis Yokine Bowling Club Lindsey Durkin Michael & Sumarie Gaudin Sponsors	Club details and photo emailed to the Editor Acceptance into the club Club details, name placed in July Reel Talk Thank you for work done at Kalbarri house Thank you Club details Winners of free membership for 2011/12 Thank you letters and Reel Talk Magazines

Moved Peter Pekaar, seconded Marcia Pekaar correspondence be accepted, carried.

Treasurer's report:- Terry Fuller reported.

Accounts for payment.

To	For	Amount	
John Curtis	Fil-o-fish ID book for Recorder	\$40.00	Approved at Committee
Coolbinia club	Hire of hall 1 Jan to 31 December	\$750.00	Approved at Committee
John Crompton	Working with Children checks	\$20.00	
	Stamps	\$6.00	John Crompton total
	Get Well and Sympathy cards	\$9.80	\$35.80 approved at Committee
Pat McKeown	Fuel used collecting prizes, etc	\$71.20	
	Biscuits	\$5.00	
	Food cover x 2 pk raffle prize	\$0.50	
	Milk 1 litre	\$1.80	
	Bread Rolls x 6pkts + 18 pkt	\$20.15	
	Sausages	\$24.60	Pat McKeown total
	Onions	\$4.16	\$127.41 approved at Committee
Terry Fuller	Frames for certificates	\$40.00	Terry Fuller total
	Keys for Kalbarri	\$35.85	\$75.85 approved at Committee
Glengarry Tavern	Presentation night	\$2,772.20	paid on the night
George Holman	Extra prizes and giveaways for Presentation night	\$205.00	paid on the night
Prime Trophies	Engraving for Presentation night	\$80.00	
Rottnest Island Authority	Transport August 2011 Rottnest	\$350.00	
Elizabeth Pett	Cleaning Kalbarri 15/5, 4/6, 25/6	\$180.00	
iiNet	Annual charge for website Sub-domain service www.surfcasters.iinet.net.au	\$40.00	
Synergy	Power at Kalbarri to 30 June	\$167.70	

Terry Fuller	Stamps for Reel Talk	\$82.40	
	Printing of July Reel Talk	\$175.20	
	Card for & printing of 79 x A5 certificates	\$19.75	
	Paper for framed certificates	\$3.60	T Fuller total
	Staples for Reel Talk	\$14.80	\$295.75
Pat McKeown	Beef sausages 1kg	\$8.65	
	Onions	\$3.40	
	Bread rolls hot dog	\$14.00	
	Puzzle assorted x 4 @ \$2.98 each	\$11.95	
	Envelopes 24 packet A4 sponsor thank you	\$5.95	
	Postage sponsor thank you letters	\$37.80	Pat McKeown total
	Card Presentation night 50 year	\$9.95	\$91.70
Ray Walker	Trim trees at Kalbarri (paid to Midwest Tree Lopping Service)	\$220.00	
	Lawn mowing, Kalbarri	\$40.00	
	Roundup herbicide	\$23.87	Ray Walker total
	Shower caddie soap dish	\$16.26	\$300.13
John Crompton	2 book stamps x 10	\$12.00	John Crompton total
	Colour cartridges 2 black & yellow	\$40.00	\$52.00
Total <u>new</u> accounts for approval at GM		\$1,557.28	Excludes approved by Committee

Income / money received since June General meeting

Tickets for Presentation night.....	\$1,025.00
Dry Casting weights.....	\$10.00
Donation for Presentation night.....	\$100.00
Donation to club for setup by T Fuller of new PC.	\$50.00
Membership and nomination fees.....	\$290.00
Car stickers and cloth badges.....	\$23.00
Sliders at Presentation Night.....	\$27.20
June dry casting 18 casters.....	\$156.00
Lawns bowls fees.....	\$50.00
Raffle of Ian Pereira's knife and scabbard	\$115.00
Sausage sizzle and drinks June Dry casting.....	\$87.50
Rental of club generator.....	\$55.00
Total income since June General meeting	\$1,988.70
(Includes \$188.50 for 2011/12)	

Bank account summary

Bank Balance as at 13 July .	\$5,829.13
New accounts for payment ..	\$1,557.28
Available balance after payment of new accounts....	\$4,271.85
Cash held for banking	\$180.50
Outstanding cheques	\$300.00
Available total.....	\$4,152.35

Income / money received at July General meeting

Membership fees 2011/12.....	\$1,048.50
Nomination fee Associate membership	\$10.00
Raffle at July General meeting	\$35.00
Sausage sizzle at July Dry casting	\$74.50
Dry casting fees July 2011, 14 casters	\$114.00
2 Car stickers, 2 Cloth club badges	\$18.00
Deposits August Rottneest Field day.....	\$360.00
Total income received at July General meeting	\$1,660.00

Moved Bev Grigo, seconded Marcia Pekaar the Treasurer's report be accepted and accounts be passed for payment. Carried.

Treasurer then presented the draft accounts for financial year 2010/11, as published in Reel Talk.

Property Officer:- Ray Walker said bookings were light in coming months, so he will advertise. The lack of linen may be putting off some possible tenants. Many other places have dropped their rental charges because of the low bookings. The laundromat in town has closed. A washing machine is now a higher priority than before.

Field Days:- Peet Wessels has the field day certificates for past missed field days. He advised this was the last chance for people to commit for the August Rottneest field day, or he will cancel one of the accommodation units the day after the General meeting.

Dry Casting Officer:- Peter Pekaar reported on July Dry Casting.

AAA report:- The proposed additions to the AAAWA rules about inappropriate behaviour had been discussed at the June Delegates meeting. Terry Fuller handed out copies of

the minutes of the meeting covering those questions and the responses. Members to confirm their directions to delegates to vote for the proposed changes.

Social Organiser:- Pat McKeown thanked John Crompton, John Curtis, George Holman and Terry Fuller for the help with the Presentation night. Thank you letters and Reel Talks have been sent to sponsors. The BBQ has been replaced. The new one has been checked and is working OK.

10 pin bowling will be organised for September.

Pat asked if members can help with sign-on at the General meeting and help with raffle tickets. There will be a special prize of a reel at the AGM (September)

Next year will be the Club's 60th year and some special things should be arranged for the Presentation night. Members were asked to make suggestions. **AP GM7/11 #1**

President George Holman thanked Pat McKeown for the tremendous job he has done with the Presentation night and social throughout the year.

Reel Talk:- Terry Fuller thanked members who had contributed those interesting stories for the Reel Talk. Articles are always welcome.

Web site:- Terry Fuller advised that the Club website was 10 years old this month.

Recorder:- John Curtis gave details of an inaugural Club record river garfish caught by Ray Walker at Kalbarri.

Recfishwest report:- Terry Fuller reported briefly on the July RFW Board meeting.

Notice of motion or special business:- Ray Walker was presented with his Appreciation Award. George Holman congratulated Ray on becoming President of his local Lions.

General business:- Several Club members including the President will be away from Perth for the August General Meeting. Vice President Terry Fuller will not be available to chair the meeting, so John Curtis has been requested to chair the August General meeting.

Raffle:- George Holman won the first prize of a veiled hat, but already has one, so donated it back, and it was won by Terry Fuller. Mal Head won the second prize of a knife.

Meeting closed:- Formal meeting closed at 8:58 pm.

Instruction period:- John Curtis gave a talk on metals in the sea and the effects of metals on fish.

Action points from July 2011 General meeting.			
Number	Action	By	Status
AP GM7/11 #1	Make suggestions for the Presentation night for the Club's 60th year in 2012	All members	Ongoing

Action points from December 2010 General meeting.			
Number	Action	By	Status
AP GM12/10 #2	Suggest social activities to Social Organiser	All members	Ongoing

Action points from April 2010 General meeting.			
Number	Action	By	Status
AP GM4/10 #1	Help locate the old "Sportsperson of the Year" trophy.	All members	Ongoing

Minutes Secretary, Terry Fuller

Action points from July Committee meeting

A summary of points from the previous Committee meeting is given at each General Meeting, often summarizing the action points from the Committee meeting.

For members' information, here is the set of action points and status from the last Committee meeting as recorded in the minutes.

Action points from 20 July 2011 Committee meeting.			
AP No.	Action	By	Status
CM7/11 #1	Suggest alternative venues for Presentation night as a backup to Glengarry	All members	
CM7/11 #2	Remind members to bring a plate of food to the AGM	Terry Fuller	In August Reel Talk
CM7/11 #3	20% discount on rental for Kalbarri for July, August and September 2011. Change website and Reel Talk.	Terry Fuller	Website and Reel Talk done
CM7/11 #4	Obtain prices for linen for Kalbarri	Ray Walker	
CM7/11 #5	Investigate a washing machine for Kalbarri	Ray Walker	
CM7/11 #6	Provide club and fishing photos suitable to be displayed in Kalbarri	All members	
CM7/11 #7	Supply some checklists for camping and fishing trips for the information booklet	Peter Osborne	
CM7/11 #8	Article in Reel Talk about fishing and location photos for John Curtis' blog on the ABC website	Terry Fuller	In August Reel Talk

The Annual General meeting and election of officers has been moved to September due to the number of people who will be away in August.

Future Instruction periods.

- August To be advised.
- September Annual General Meeting and election of 2011/12 Committee, social get together with food and drinks afterwards.
- Future Use of a vacuum sealer, looking after and getting the best out of your fish. Terry Fuller.
Choosing and looking after frozen bait. Terry Fuller.

Minutes Secretary and Reel Talk Editor, Terry Fuller

Coming Club events

August Dry Casting

Several of our usual casters will be way at the AAA National Championships. All casters **please come early** and assist with the setting up of the casting courts, targets, etc at the beginning of the day after setting up your own casting gear. Please assist with the retrieval and packing up of the casting equipment at the end of the day's events.

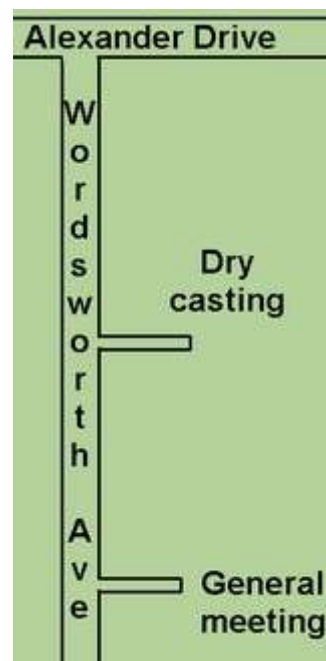
When:- Sunday 7 August 2011. Competition casting starts 8:30am.

Where:- Yokine Reserve, Wordsworth Avenue

Events:- Double handed accuracy, Single handed accuracy, 56 gram distance, Artificial bait distance, 112 gram distance.

Seniors, Ladies and Juniors will cast distance first, Veterans will cast accuracy first.

Fees:- \$10 per person, \$12 per family to help cover booking charges for the oval and public liability insurance. Fees must be paid by 8:00am to allow some time for practice casts before the 8:30am start.
Please let someone know if you are going to be late.



Leaders:- The wet weather is here, the Yokine Reserve surface is now soft, and those casting weights bury themselves in the grass. Competition Rules section **3.3.4 Leaders** says "A heavy leader is compulsory for all events."

"**Heavy**" means **strong enough** to let the markers pull the weight out of the ground in the opposite direction by steadily pulling on the leader without it snapping off, perhaps just by loosening the ground a bit, but without having to dig out the weight right out. Please use leaders of at least 25 kg breaking strain and preferably heavier. The markers will thank you, and so will the queue of people waiting to have their casts, and your weight and leader won't be damaged by the digging.

August General meeting

When:- Wednesday 10 August, 8:00pm.

Where:- Coolbinia West Perth Amateur Football and Sporting Club room.

Sign In:- Please remember to have your name ticked on the attendance sheet and buy some raffle tickets. See Jim Strong and the helpers at the front table.

Instruction period:- The truth about Solunar times and Moon phases, by John Curtis.

August Committee meeting

When:- Wednesday 17 August 2011, 7:30pm.

Where:- Coolbinia West Perth Amateur Football and Sporting Club room.

Visitors. Club members who wish to see what's involved in Committee work may attend Committee meetings by invitation as visitors and observers and at the discretion of the President. Please contact the President or the Secretary well prior to the meeting to arrange your invitation.

August Field Day

When:- Saturday/Sunday 13/14 August.

Where:- Rottnest.

Sign On:- Saturday 10:45am at Bungalows.

Lines Down:- Saturday 12 noon



Fees:- \$10 per person, \$12 per family.

Costs:- \$190 per person. This covers accommodation for 3 nights, two bus trips to West End and back, return Ferry ticket from Northport and also Field day money. Bookings closed 14 July. See minutes and articles in recent Reel Talks.

Times:- 12 noon Saturday to 7:00 pm Sunday. Fish caught within those times are eligible for the Club Field Day competition and weigh-in. Fish caught before or after those times are eligible for the Open Competition.

Weigh in:- Sunday 9:30 pm at Bungalows.

Boundaries:- All non restricted areas around Island.

<u>Tides for Fremantle</u>	Sat	1.05m at	0.58m at	0.74m at	<u>Moonset</u>	About 6:15 am at 253 deg	
	13 Aug	9:05 am	5:13 pm	11:27 pm	<u>Moonrise</u>	About 5:30 pm at 104 deg	
	Sun	0.69m at	1.01m at	0.61m at	<u>Moonset</u>	About 6:45 am at 259 deg	
	14 Aug	2:00 am	9:32 am	5:20 pm	<u>Moonrise</u>	About 6:25 pm at 99 deg	
	<u>Sunrises</u>	About 6:55 am at 73 deg			<u>Sunsets</u>	About 5:50 pm at 287 deg	

Rottnest August 2011 transport

Ferry transport to and from Rottnest.

Check In Rous Head: Friday 12 Aug at 5:45 pm. Rottnest Express Northport Rous Head.
Depart Rous Head: Friday 12 Aug at 6:30 pm. Rottnest Express from Northport.
Arrives Thomson Bay: Friday 12 Aug at 7:00 pm.
Departs Thomson Bay: Monday 15 Aug at 8:30 am.
Arrives Northport: Monday 15 Aug at 9:00 am.

Bus transport to and from West End.

Departs Bungalows: Saturday 13 Aug at 11:00 am. Departs West End: Saturday 13 Aug at 8:00 pm.
Departs Bungalows: Sunday 14 Aug at 11:00 am. Departs West End: Sunday 14 Aug at 8:00 pm.

Peet Wessels, Field Day Coordinator

Local Field Day for August

When:- Saturday/Sunday 13/14 August.

Sign On: Phone Field Day Officer before Thursday evening.

Lines Down:- Saturday 12 noon

Times:- 12 noon Saturday to 7:00 pm Sunday. Fish caught within those times are eligible for the Field Day competition and weigh-in. Fish caught before or after those times are eligible for the Open Competition.

Weigh in:- Sunday 7:00 pm at G Holman's house, rear of 89 Clontarf St. Sorrento. Scales will be available on his back patio. An adult member must witness weights. Field Day money to be left with the scales in an envelope with your name and details written in the carbon copy Field Day book. No money = no points. Results to be phoned to FDO by 8 pm the following night.

Boundaries:- Penguin Island sand spit to north wall of the Two Rocks Marina, including the Swan and Canning Rivers, the North and South Mole.

Fish together Check at the General Meeting prior to each field day for arrangements and discussions about when and where members can meet to fish locally in the metropolitan area. John Curtis will organise local fishing and weigh in.

Tides, etc See details above for Fremantle.

September Field Day

When:- Saturday/Sunday 17/18 September.

Where:- Cervantes.

Boundaries: Jurien Marina North wall to south side of Cervantes.

Sign On:- Saturday 11 am at Cervantes Hill River car park.

Lines Down: Saturday 12 noon

Fees:- \$10 per person, \$12 per family.

Times:- 12 noon Saturday to 11 am Sunday. Fish caught within those times are eligible for the Club Field Day competition and weigh-in. Fish caught before or after those times are eligible for the Open Competition.

Weigh in:- Sunday 11 am at Cervantes Hill River car park.

<u>Tides for</u>	Sat	0.57m at	0.93m at	<u>Moonset</u>	About 8:35 am at 292 deg	
<u>Jurien</u>	17 Sep	6:30 pm	11:33 pm	<u>Moonrise</u>	About 10:40 pm at 66 deg	

	Sun	0.58m at		<u>Moonset</u>	About 9:15 am at 295 deg	
	18 Sep	9:52 am		<u>Moonrise</u>	About 11:30 pm at 64 deg	

<u>Sunrises</u>	About 6:16 am at 88 deg	<u>Sunsets</u>	About 6:13 pm at 272 deg
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Local Field Day for September

When:- Saturday/Sunday 17/18 September.

Sign On: Phone FDO before 8 pm Thursday evening.

Lines Down:- Saturday 12 noon.

Times:- 12 noon Saturday to 11 am Sunday. Fish caught within those times are eligible for the Club Field Day competition and weigh-in. Fish caught before or after those times are eligible for the Open Competition.

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Sat	0.60m at	0.94m at
17 Sep	3:21 pm	11:32 pm

Moonset About 8:30 am at 292 deg
Moonrise About 10:40 pm at 66 deg



Sun	0.58m at
18 Sep	3:24 pm

Moonset About 9:10 am at 295 deg
Moonrise About 11:30 pm at 64 deg



Sunrises About 6:14 am at 88 deg

Sunsets About 6:10 pm at 272 deg

Calendar for next three months

Here's a calendar showing the dates for Dry Casting, Annual General Meeting, General and Committee meetings, Field Days and other Club events in the next three months.

25	AAAWA event							
3	Dry Casting	13	General Meeting	14	15	Field Day	20	Committee Meeting

August 2011							September 2011							October 2011						
Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
1	2	3	4	5	6	7				1	2	3	4	31					1	2
8	9	10	11	12	13	14	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
15	16	17	18	19	20	21	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
22	23	24	25	26	27	28	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	17	18	19	20	21	22	23
29	30	31					26	27	28	29	30			24	25	26	27	28	29	30

Reel Talk Editor, Terry Fuller

New member applications

Applications for membership have been received and will come before the next Committee meeting. If any member has any reason why any of the applications should not be accepted, please contact a Committee member and state the reason.

Christopher (Chris) Stickells, 8 Glenbrook Drive, Ballajura 6066

Secretary and Membership Coordinator, John Crompton

New member acceptances

The following applications for membership have been accepted, and will be invited to the next General Meeting to be welcomed into the Club.

Martin, Thomas and Christian Wearmouth, 32C Tetworth Crescent, Nollamara WA 6061

Secretary and Membership Coordinator, John Crompton

President's report

It seems like only yesterday that I wrote my last President's report as time seems to fly when you're having fun. I do however qualify for a bigger hat this month as whilst fishing locally with Allan Jones and Pat McKeown on our recent field day, I caught one of my best bags of fish topped off by two beautiful pink snapper at around 5½ and 6½ kilos gutted and gilled. We fished at Floreat and nearly went somewhere else as the tide was out, the water shallow, the waves breaking a long way out and weed in the water.

We were basically too lazy to shift which proved a good move. I caught one pink snapper before the moon came up and the other about an hour after moonrise, this one on a blue sardine and three number two tarpon hooks. Pat arrived at the spot early but had to wait until Allan arrived as he had left his reels at home, and Allan provided the line holder.

I finally had the pleasure of presenting Alan Hale with his membership at our last meeting and I hope he enjoys our company. He is proving to be a very good caster.

Next meeting Martin Wearmouth will be accepted and John Curtis will do the honours on my behalf on as he will be in the chair. Thanks John. I will be away in New South Wales for the National Convention and our Vice President Terry Fuller is to have a stint in hospital. Best wishes from us all Terry.

Trevor Stam wasn't present at our last meeting as it was his 80th birthday and he celebrated with his family. Congratulations Trevor from all club members and may there be many more. Trevor still has his heart monitor attached and things are going well and I'm sure a good report will be forthcoming.

John Curtis gave a very comprehensive instruction period at the conclusion of our July general meeting and finished this with a superb display of garfish. Pat McKeown got the message and took it all very well. When the big moment finally arrives I'm sure we're all going to know about it. Full page in Reel Talk, no doubt.

The club finances came under discussion at our recent Committee meeting and as a result of the considerable amount of money we have spent on our Kalbarri property (which was necessary) we will adopt a conservative approach for a while as far as possible.

As reported, our Annual General Meeting has been shifted to September because of the number of club members who will be attending the National Championships at South West Rocks in New South Wales. Please give a lot of thought about the various committee positions as most present committee members are prepared to continue but there is a least one position that we need to fill, that of Secretary. John Compton wishes to step down as he has given us five great years of service and I now need a new "right-hand man (or woman)". John has done a lot of work and put a lot of time and effort into the club and has certainly made my job a lot easier. He has always done more and has put a lot of effort into club membership. Thanks John. We need more like you so please give the AGM a lot of thought.

There are 11 club members travelling over to South West Rocks for the Nationals and I thank them for their commitment. There is a considerable cost but this doesn't deter them and they work well as a team. I hope they enjoy the experience, the company, and are suitably rewarded for their efforts. Those attending our Bob Henderson (captain), John Curtis, Peter and Marcia Pekaar, Allan and Rhys Jones, Gary Gildersleeves, Jeff Hewton, Mal Head, Keith Heaney and George Holman. Best wishes to you all.

The notice of motion put at the last AAA meeting regarding inappropriate behaviour at AAAWA events was carried and it was good to see common sense prevail. A pity there is not a bit more of it about.

See you when we get back from New South Wales. Tight lines and good casting.

President 2010/11, George Holman

Deadline for Reel Talk articles and reports

Can I please have general articles and reports for the August Reel Talk no later than 5 pm Friday 26 August. Please contact me if any item will be late.

Reel Talk Editor, Terry Fuller

Recfishwest report

Proposed standardisation and simplification of fishing rules

Further to my report for the June Delegates meeting, Fisheries have now provided RFW with a document so that RFW can prepare a considered formal response which could include requiring changes. The scope of the document is more than standardisation and simplification of fishing rules. Recfishwest has written to the Department and asked for clarification of some important items. The RFW Board met on Saturday 23 July to discuss the paper and direct RFW's initial response.

As I reported in June, the challenges include keeping the end result simple, easily understood and supported by fishermen, yet ensuring sustainability which is in every fisherman's long term interests. And no, once again I haven't given any details, for very good reasons.

Recfishwest draft comments on South west marine plans and proposals

The draft of RFW's response to the Commonwealth South west marine plans and proposals has been posted on the Recfishwest website. As previously advised, and as delegates may have seen in the media, conservation groups are very disappointed with the proposals and are strongly agitating for lots of public comments on the proposals to get much larger areas protected closer to the coast and population centres. This would inevitably increase the impact on recreational fishing.

Please take five minutes out of your day to have your say on Commonwealth Marine Reserves. It could have a great impact on recreational fishing's future. Anglers may consider RFW's comments and adapt or use them in personal comments if they wish. Comments close 8 August.

Capturing catch and effort data for recreational fisheries

Recfishwest recommends investment in the development of an electronic data capture system. Such a system would facilitate engagement and consultation with recreational fishers. Recfishwest proposes that the amount of \$25,000 be made available for:

- Defining the project scope
- Research of products and suppliers
- Administration of the application process

Recfishwest further proposes to investigate the use of mobile technologies such as Smart phones and tablet PCs, and their integration into a data collection program. The structural framework of any data collection system will need to be finalised following consultation with the Department of Fisheries Research Division about the data requirements to complement their iSurvey and other projects.

Community representatives on Recreational Fishing Account Advisory Body

Recfishwest has asked for applications for two additional community representatives of the Recreational Fishing Account Advisory Body (RFAAB) to develop priorities for the expenditure of available portions of the recreational fishing licence revenue via the Recreational Fishing Account (RFA) and ensure that projects meet the strategic needs of the recreational fishing sector. Positions will be for a two year term.

Recfishwest Communications Officer

Recfishwest's Communications Strategy identified a need to engage professional expertise on Recfishwest communications. The 2011/12 budget contains an allowance for a Communications Officer, and Recfishwest will commence the recruitment process.

Small Community Grants

The Department of Fisheries has approved \$50,000 per annum towards a recreational fishing small community grants scheme. Recfishwest will take the running of this scheme and is currently finalising the application process. This scheme is to provide funding for small projects to benefit the recreational sector which would normally fall outside of the

Department's core business. This scheme will provide a replacement to the \$5000 grants which the regional RFAC had allocated each year for small initiatives.

Community perceptions of fisheries compliance

Recreational fishing compliance was raised as a matter of high importance amongst fishers at RFW public meeting in Karratha. Fishers in this region have a strongly held belief that the Department needs to improve compliance activities in relation to recreational fishing. This view is particularly widespread in Pilbara communities which are experiencing rapid population growth. Recfishwest has written to the Department of Fisheries and offered to work with the Department in addressing this perception and has requested a meeting to discuss some potential solutions. We believe that it is an important step towards improving the community's confidence in the Department's abilities to effectively control the exploitation of fisheries resources.

Peel-Harvey resource sharing

Catch sharing discussions have been held between RFW, WAFIC and other relevant stakeholders. Recfishwest have recently been informed of the Department's intention to move the West Coast Estuarine Fishery to a fully managed fishery over the next 12 months.

Revised policies

Have been adopted covering Pastoral Access; Spearfishing; Catch and Release Fishing; Vehicular Beach Access; Fish Stocking and Translocation.

The above report was prepared for the July AAWA Delegates meeting by Recfishwest Board Member for the Australian Anglers Association, Terry Fuller.

Bookings for Kalbarri house in 2011/12

With the upgrade of the Kalbarri house, addition of a second air conditioner, new bunk beds, table and chairs, the Committee has reviewed the rates for the Kalbarri house. See the article on the inside back cover. Some public bookings, keys etc will be done through Kalbarri Visitor Centre, not via Ray White Kalbarri. All club bookings and queries should go to the Property Officer, Ray Walker.

A discount of 20% will be offered for public bookings for the months of July, August and September 2011.

Members of clubs affiliated with the Australian Anglers Association WA Division receive a **20% discount** on the public rates for rental of the Kalbarri house.

The Club's Kalbarri house has bookings in 2011 and 2012 for the following dates, inclusive. All other dates not listed are currently available. Note some bookings run to the end of one month and into the start of the next month. This list is at 28 July and does not include any bookings or changes which may have been made between then and whenever you read this. Contact Property Officer Ray Walker for bookings.

2011		2011	
August		September	
October	1 Oct to 7 Oct, 22 Oct to 31 Oct	November	1 Nov to 12 Nov
December	31 Dec		
2012		2012	
January	1 Jan to 6 Jan 2012	April	5 Apr to 15 Apr

Property Officer, Ray Walker

Wanted - aluminium cans

Wanted - Aluminium cans. Please bring them along to the General Meeting or to Mal Head's home, but not to Dry Casting. Mal saves them up and takes them to the recyclers when he has enough, and the price is right, and donates all the proceeds to the Club.

Malcolm Head

Buy, sell or swap

Members who want to buy, sell or swap something fishing related can advertise in the Reel Talk free of charge. Contact me with the details.

Reel Talk Editor, Terry Fuller

Bring a friend to a Club activity

Please bring a friend, a relative, a workmate, neighbour or an acquaintance to a General meeting, to Dry Casting or to a Club fishing Field day.

Let them know what the Club does, and let them find out for themselves some of the benefits of being a club member, particularly getting all those fishing and casting tips from experienced club members.

Show them your copy of Reel Talk and let them know there is a lot more about the club on the Club website <http://www.surfcasters.iinet.net.au/>

Reel Talk Editor, Terry Fuller

Happy birthday to

Felicity Keet, 5 August,
Allan Jones, 8 August
Jeff Hewton, 16 August
Sam Reilly, 31 August

Alissa Pizzolante, 6 August
Bob Henderson, 8 August
Aine McKeown, 24 August
Gary Gildersleeves, 31 August

Theo Van Niekerk, 7 August
Louise Van Niekerk, 15 August
Josh Lucocq, 23 August

Reel Talk Editor, Terry Fuller

Field days 2011/12

Venues and boundaries for the year were decided by the members at the April General Meeting.

Now these venues and boundaries have been decided and confirmed by the members, they will not be changed. The FDO will still have the option, on the day, with the agreement of the people who have signed on, to make changes to cater for unfishable conditions on the day (eg high winds, huge swell or extensive seaweed.)

Month	Venue	Dates	Distance / boundaries / details /
Aug 2011	Rottnest	13/14 Aug	<i>Short.</i> All areas around the perimeter of the island
Sep 2011	Cervantes	17/18 Sept	<i>Medium.</i> Jurien Marina north wall to south side of Cervantes
Oct 2011	Port Gregory	LWE Fri/Sat/Sun 28/29/30 Oct	<i>Long.</i> Kalbarri to mouth of Bowes River at Horrocks
Nov 2011	Cervantes	12/13 Nov	<i>Medium.</i> Jurien Marina north wall to south side of Cervantes
Dec 2011	White Hills	17/18 Dec	<i>Medium.</i> South wall of the Mandurah Cut to 2 km south of Preston Beach access
Jan 2012	Mindarie to Yanchep	14/15 Jan	<i>Short.</i> North wall of Two Rocks Marina to Mindarie Marina south/west rock wall
Feb 2012	Cervantes	Feb 11/12	<i>Medium.</i> Jurien Marina north wall to south side of Cervantes
Mar 2012	Bluff Creek	3/4/5 Mar LWE	<i>Long.</i> Dunsy Beach (about 15 km west of Albany) to as far as you can walk past the rocks at the eastern end of Bluff Creek.
Apr 2012	Capes	14/15 Apr	<i>Medium.</i> Busselton Jetty to river mouth at Augusta

Reel Talk Editor, Terry Fuller

General Meeting dates for 2011/12

These are all on the standard second Wednesday of the month.

10 August 2011	14 September 2011 (includes AGM and elections)		
12 October 2011	9 November 2011	14 December 2011	11 January 2012
8 February 2012	14 March 2012	11 April 2012	

Reel Talk Editor, Terry Fuller

Drycasting dates for 2011/12

These are mostly the first Sunday of the month, except Fathers' Day and New Year's Day, or when the Field Day includes the first Sunday due to a long weekend.

7 August 2011	11 September 2011 (Note 2)	
25 September AAA State Dry Casting		2 October 2011
6 November 2011	4 December 2011	8 January 2012 (Note 3)
5 February 2012	11 March 2012 (Note 1)	1 April 2012

Note 1. Field Day is on the long weekend. **Note 2.** September avoids Fathers' Day.

Note 3. Avoids New Year's Day.

Reel Talk Editor, Terry Fuller

AAAWA State Championships during 2011/12

State Dry Casting Championships, Yokine Reserve, Sunday 25 September 2011.

State Estuary Championships, Saturday/Sunday 26/27 November 2011, Walpole.

State Boating Championships, Saturday 3 March 2012, Jurien.

State Rock and Beach Fishing Championships Saturday/Sunday 24/25 March 2012, Jurien.

AAAWA Delegate, Terry Fuller

Calendar for 2011/12

See the full calendar on page 20 of the May 2011 Reel Talk.

Reel Talk Editor, Terry Fuller

Dry Casting report 3 July 2011

We had expected to be greeted by 18-23 knot southerly cross-court winds, as forecast in the Saturday evening weather report, however we were pleasantly surprised to find near-perfect, cloudless conditions instead, the only down side being that the barometer was quite high at 1022.

As in January this year, we cast as one group. The accuracy casting was of a high standard, with six casters scoring 140 points or more. Our champion caster, Gary Gildersleeves looked to be on his way to a new record, scoring 94 points on his first four casts, but seem to go off the boil, although finishing with a respectable score.

The top double handed accuracy went to George Holman with 159 points, followed by Peter Osborne with 154 points, and then Gary Gildersleeves with 152 points. George Holman and Peter Osborne again fared well with a tie for first in single handed accuracy with 30 points, and Allan Jones was a close second with 29 points.

Four bullseyes were scored on the day one each in double handed accuracy by Peter Osborne and Gary Gildersleeves; and one each in single handed accuracy by George Holman and Terry Fuller.

The minute we picked up our distance rods, the wind picked up, delivering the predicted cross court winds. Jeff Hewton had the longest cast in 56 gram with 140 metres; Peter Pekaar 136 metres in Artificial Bait; Alan Hale 161 metres in 112 gram, which was the longest cast in our regular casting.

Marcia Pekaar, using her new Century rod threw 110 metres in her first 56 gram cast only to break off in her second cast. Changing over to a different reel due to braid incompatibility with that reel, brought her back into the swing of things and by the time the Open event was held, she managed to cast over 100 metres for both casts.

For a man who will be an octogenarian on 14 July, one of our senior members, Trevor Stam, is casting well and enjoying club activities. Well done, Trevor, you are an inspiration for us all.

Shane Becu is improving month by month, assisted greatly by John Crompton who brings him along each month. Let's hope Shane continues casting as, after all, Juniors are the future of clubs.

Social Organiser, Pat McKeown, must be thanked for providing food and drinks on the day as well as assisting with reading from the laser. Thanks must also go to the members who assisted with setting up the gear and retrieval at the end of the day. All of us working together for a common cause is what makes the day so enjoyable.

Peter and Marcia Pekaar

Dry Casting 7 August 2011

On the 7 August casting, the Seniors, Ladies and Mini Juniors will start with distance then accuracy. Veterans will start with accuracy followed by distance.

Some of the regulars will be away at the AAA National Championships, so the rest of us will need to pitch in and organise the casting.

Can you please come early if possible to help set up for casting and you need to pay your fees **before 8am**. Thank you.

See you at the next dry casting.

Reel Talk Editor, Terry Fuller

112 gram Open held 3 July

Eight people stayed on for the 112 gram Open event, with the longest cast being 172.48 metres in what was described as very average conditions. The highlight was Mal Head's straightest centre cast, landing virtually on the centre line as viewed through the laser.

We would like to extend our best wishes to all competitors heading to the AAA National Championships at South West Rocks, New South Wales.

Peter and Marcia Pekaar

Men	Cast 1	Cast 2	Best cast (metres)
Peter Pekaar	170.16	172.48	172.48
Alan Hale	160.20	162.18	162.18
Jeff Hewton	152.11	144.14	152.11

Veterans

George Holman	147.62	BO	147.62
Gary Gildersleeves	137.39	140.19	140.19
Allan Jones	111.10	128.53	128.53
Mal Head	126.31	116.18	126.31

Ladies

Marcia Pekaar	107.41	106.33	107.41
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Dry Casting results, 3 July 2011

These results have been prepared from the original hand written distances and scores recorded on the day. Marcia and Peter Pekaar copied the scores from the score sheets into an electronic format, adjusted the distance scores for the 20 metre measurement setback, and cross checked all final figures against the original score sheets.

Terry Fuller used his computer drycasting scoring program to process the results to calculate the points, add all together, sort into final score order, extract the section winners and year's best as shown on the second page, and progressive scores for use at the end of the competition year.

Results for the day	56 gram			Artificial Bait			112 gram			Double Handed Accuracy								Single Handed Accuracy					Day Total	Attendance		Total Points			
	Cast 1 (m)	Cast 2 (m)	Points	Cast 1 (m)	Cast 2 (m)	Points	Cast 1 (m)	Cast 2 (m)	Points	Target number								Target distance						Total	DC		GM		
										3	3	1	1	4	4	2	2	Points	L	S	L	S						Points	
Seniors																													
Peter Pekaar	124	133	26	136	127	26	155	146	30	21	15	22	24	13	20	18	11	144	2	6	6	6	20	246	10	0	256		
Jeff Hewton	0	140	14	110	124	23	144	148	29	0	9	16	14	16	0	0	11	66	0	4	4	8	16	148	10	0	158		
Alan Hale	131	135	27	126	126	25	161	150	31	0	0	6	8	0	0	0	19	33	0	0	8	2	10	126	10	0	136		
Veterans																													
George Holman	127	133	26	116	110	23	0	148	15	17	20	24	14	23	23	24	14	159	6	10	6	8	30	253	10	0	263		
Peter Osborne	95	99	19	104	95	20	115	111	23	22	21	23	20	13	21	25	9	154	7	9	5	9	30	246	10	0	256		
Gary Gildersleeves	122	129	25	117	113	23	139	136	28	25	24	23	22	10	14	15	19	152	2	8	3	3	16	244	10	0	254		
Allan Jones	114	113	23	107	103	21	118	120	24	20	17	14	20	23	21	15	15	145	4	9	8	8	29	242	10	0	252		
Terry Fuller	98	98	20	98	91	19	113	105	22	13	24	11	7	19	19	13	18	124	0	9	6	10	25	210	10	0	220		
Malcolm Head	103	114	22	105	103	21	125	122	25	17	17	21	15	15	0	18	18	121	3	0	7	4	14	203	10	0	213		
Trevor Stam	79	74	15	80	83	16	87	89	18	11	12	17	22	0	18	1	0	81	0	9	0	0	9	139	10	0	149		
John Crompton	105	102	21	99	92	19	118	112	23	0	16	13	0	3	19	0	22	73	0	0	2	0	2	138	10	0	148		
Pat McKeown	Did not cast																					10	0	10					
Ladies																													
Marcia Pekaar	110	0	11	79	62	14	99	98	20	15	17	18	14	21	17	18	20	140	0	2	4	7	13	198	10	0	208		
Mini-Juniors																													
Shane Becu	31	14	5	27	28	6	6	37	4	17	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	20	0	0	0	0	0	35	10	0	45		

These scores do not include points for attendance at the July General Meeting.

Leaders:- The wet weather is here, the Yokine Reserve surface is now soft, and those casting weights bury themselves in the grass. Competition Rules section **3.3.4 Leaders** says "A heavy leader is compulsory for all events."

"**Heavy**" means **strong enough** to let the markers pull the weight out of the ground in the opposite direction by steadily pulling on the leader without it snapping off, perhaps just by loosening the ground a bit, but without having to dig out the weight right out. Please use leaders of at least 25 kg breaking strain and preferably heavier. The markers will thank you, and so will the queue of people waiting to have their casts, and your weight and leader won't be damaged by the digging.

Dry Casting winners for 3 July 2011

Event	Seniors winner		Veterans winner	
56 gram Score	27	Alan Hale	26	George Holman
56 gram Distance	140	Jeff Hewton	133	George Holman
Artificial Bait Score	26	Peter Pekaar	23	George Holman, Gary Gildersleeves
Artificial Bait Distance	136	Peter Pekaar	117	Gary Gildersleeves
112 gram Score	31	Alan Hale	28	Gary Gildersleeves
112 gram Distance	161	Alan Hale	148	George Holman
Double Handed Acc.	144	Peter Pekaar	159	George Holman
Single Handed Acc.	20	Peter Pekaar	30	George Holman, Peter Osborne
Section Highest Points	256	Peter Pekaar	263	George Holman

Event	Ladies winner		Mini Juniors winner	
56 gram Score	11	Marcia Pekaar	5	Shane Becu
56 gram Distance	110	Marcia Pekaar	31	Shane Becu
Artificial Bait Score	14	Marcia Pekaar	6	Shane Becu
Artificial Bait Distance	79	Marcia Pekaar	28	Shane Becu
112 gram Score	20	Marcia Pekaar	4	Shane Becu
112 gram Distance	99	Marcia Pekaar	37	Shane Becu
Double Handed Acc.	140	Marcia Pekaar	20	Shane Becu
Single Handed Acc.	13	Marcia Pekaar		
Section Highest Points	208	Marcia Pekaar	45	Shane Becu

Event	Overall winner for July		Year's best up to July	
56 gram Score	27	Alan Hale	27	Alan Hale
56 gram Distance	140	Jeff Hewton	140	Jeff Hewton
Artificial Bait Score	26	Peter Pekaar	26	Peter Pekaar
Artificial Bait Distance	136	Peter Pekaar	136	Peter Pekaar
112 gram Score	31	Alan Hale	32	Alan Hale
112 gram Distance	161	Alan Hale	168	Alan Hale
Double Handed Acc.	159	George Holman	159	George Holman
Single Handed Acc.	30	George Holman, Peter Osborne	31	Malcolm Head
Section Highest Points	263	George Holman	263	George Holman

Dry Casting top scores for 2011/12

Total scores up to and including July casting. Only the best 11 months out of 12 will count at the end of the competition year. These will be announced at and published after the Presentation of Trophies in June 2012.

Name	Points	Rank	Name	Points	Rank
Gary Gildersleeves	703	1	Terry Willison	345	13
Allan Jones	701	2	Rhys Jones	306	14
Peter Osborne	698	3	Mark Hansen	263	15
Peter Pekaar	683	4	Bob Henderson	217	16
Malcolm Head	662	5	Geoff Raftis	190	17
Terry Fuller	624	6	Dean Stewart	139	18
Marcia Pekaar	543	7	Shane Becu	137	19
George Holman	491	8	Bev Grigo	126	20
Jeff Hewton	480	9	Morgan Keet	95	21
John Crompton	421	10	Ray Walker	89	22
Trevor Stam	409	11	Wendy Hansen	37	23
Alan Hale	371	12	Pat McKeown	30	24

Reel Talk Editor, Terry Fuller

Membership fees are payable by 31 July 2011

The Committee has decided there will be no changes to the membership fees for 2011/12. The amounts payable by 31 July are:-

Single membership	\$100 per year	Concession single	\$70 per year
Family membership	\$120 per year	Concession Family	\$80 per year
Associate membership	\$30 per year	Junior membership	\$65 per year

The concession membership is for members of age 60 years or more. This reduced membership fee will apply to members who make an application to the Committee to qualify for the reduced rate. Members in paid employment are not eligible for reduced fees.

You must pay your fees by 31 July 2011. The above amounts will take your membership up to 30 June 2012. Please contact the Treasurer if you wish to pay by installments.

NOTE. To help keep Club membership records up to date, please fill in **ALL** details, particularly for all of the family members you want to be included on your family membership.

Please use the form at the back of the July Reel Talk. New on the form this year is a place to put your partner's name, even if they are not part of your Club membership. Knowing your partner's name and how it is spelt is very helpful at social functions, for invitations, etc.

Please use the form, attach your payment and post to the Club's Post Office Box address, **NOT** to any private address.

If paying at a General Meeting or other Club event, please remember that lots of others may want to pay too, so please help by having the right amount of money and a **completed form** and put both in an unsealed envelope or small plastic bag.

Spare forms will be available at the General Meeting, and you may be required to complete the form before your payment is accepted.

If you do not intend to renew your membership, can you please advise the Secretary or Treasurer as soon as possible using the form at the back of the July Reel Talk.

Treasurer, Terry Fuller

Amended Notice of Annual General Meeting and election of Committee

The Annual General Meeting of the Surf Casting and Angling Club of WA (Inc) and election of Committee for 2011/12 will be held at Coolbinia West Perth Amateur Football and Sporting Club room, Wordsworth Avenue, at 8pm on Wednesday 14 September 2011, the same night as the September General Meeting.

All Committee positions will be up for election. Please consider who you want to be your Committee and if you can help by being a Committee member. Please remember, if it is worth having, it is worth working for.

Members please bring a plate of food for the social get together after the AGM.

Reel Talk Editor, Terry Fuller

Win free Club membership for a year

The Committee has decided to extend the offer of one year's free Club membership to the 2011/12 year as an added incentive for new members to join the Club. In the draw to be held at our Presentation night in June 2012, all members who have been accepted into the club between July 2011 and June 2012 will be in a draw to receive 1 year's free membership. The free membership will be for them and be the same type as they held in 2011/12, that is, single or family, etc.

Please let your fishing friends, relatives, workmates, neighbours or acquaintances know about this ***"win free club membership for a year"*** offer, what the Club does, and the benefits of being a club member, particularly getting all those fishing and casting tips from experienced club members. Show them your copy of Reel Talk and let them know there is a lot more about the club on the Club website <http://www.surfcasters.iinet.net.au/>

Membership Coordinator, John Crompton

Fish and fishing photos wanted

Wanted:- Pictures from members of good fish captures and fishing locations. Good clean pictures with no blood on the fish are preferred. If the photos show people wearing SCAC shirts, all the better, as it will provide some advertising for the Club. Uses:-

- For display in the Kalbarri house
- For display on the Club website and in Reel Talk
- For use on the ABC web site where John Curtis places his weekly fishing report.

Pictures can be emailed or burned to disk and given to Terry Fuller or John Curtis. Contact details are in the front of Reel Talk. To avoid any copyright problems, photos need to be owned or taken by you or include written permission from the owner. We would appreciate some descriptive information to be used as captions for the photos, and a written story would be even better.

Terry Fuller, Reel Talk Editor

Social Organiser Report, July

Hello fellow members.

Now that all the dust has settled on the previous month's social events, it is now time to move onto the upcoming AGM in September.

Please all give some thought what you as members of the Surfcasters want to achieve in the next twelve months, so vote carefully and participate in the election of Committee members for the upcoming year.

It has been a pleasure to organise events with your support and pleasing results.

At the AGM please all bring a plate (not empty) for the evening. Not too many hot dishes, please as warming facilities are limited. The table will be to the right as you walk in the door. Please place food there, Drinks will be provided by the club, hot and cold.

On the night there will be a major raffle of a good quality surf reel at only a \$1.00 a ticket so dig deep and support your club.

On the for sale side of things we have a Coffee maker filter type, 10 cup capacity, made by Breville for \$20.00. Also a card table in good condition no longer used by the club \$10.00. Contact Pat McKeown to arrange payment/delivery to club meeting

In September, date to be fixed. A ten pin bowling afternoon / early evening is being arranged. Can you please indicate interest so that I have an idea of numbers for the booking.

The last event was held in October started at 5pm. Cost \$30.00 per head adult included 2 games, shoes, snacks and one drink soft or beer/wine. I should have current prices and details at the next meeting.

When the weather fines up, it has been suggested a day out at the Maze, Neaves Road in Bullsbrook. Could be a fun event with BBQ facilities available and lots to do. All details are on the web at <http://www.themaze.com.au/>

Social Organiser Pat McKeown

An eye in the sky assesses shore-based fishing on Perth coast

Aerial surveys of beach fishing, with observers patrolling the coast between Lancelin and Bunbury have now been completed. This is one component of a larger study. Many of the near-shore fish communities off the Perth coast in particular are targeted by both boat-based and shore-based fishers, but there is a lack of good data on the shore-based catch of recreational fishers.

Department of Fisheries researchers have been gathering data to better determine whether management arrangements to reduce the fishing pressure on off-shore demersal species may have shifted some recreational fishing effort to shore and near-shore areas and species. Data gathered during the demersal closed season was particularly important."

The \$300,000 project was continuing using a more conventional land-based survey strategy. The ongoing data collection could be compared against the results of the aerial flights, as well as

remote camera surveys, to assess the most cost-effective options for ongoing surveys of near-shore fishing.

Effectively managing fisheries needs good knowledge about how and where people are fishing. Around 80 per cent of the State's recreational fishing effort occurs in the West Coast Bioregion and it is well understood the majority of that effort is focused around Perth. A considerable number of people fish from the shore. They not only get out there to catch a feed, but also to enjoy the social and recreational aspects of beach fishing and it is important that opportunity is maintained for future generations.

Other ongoing research projects by the Department of Fisheries were examining the stock status for important shore based target species like herring, tailor and whiting. This research will help researchers cost-effectively measure the catch of shore-based fishers to ensure the needs of anglers can be met in a sustainable manner.

A final report on the project is expected to be published in a few months. The initial report "Quantifying recreational fishing catch and effort: a pilot study of shore-based fishers in the Perth Metropolitan area" is available at <http://www.fish.wa.gov.au/docs/frr/frr216/index.php?0401>

Reel Talk Editor

Sportsperson of the Year points 2010/11

Here are the Sportsperson of the Year total points for last Competition Year 2010/11. Members with the same total scores are listed alphabetically and given the same ranking. Despite the rankings only going up to 22, a total of 60 members competed in some events.

Name	Dry casting points	Field Day points	Total points	Rank
Peter Osborne	41	68	109	1
Peter Pekaar	76	30	106	2
George Holman	56	29	85	3
Allan Jones	44	30	74	4
Marcia Pekaar	27	24	51	5
Bob Henderson	47	2	49	6
John Crompton	26	18	44	7
Peet Wessels		44	44	7
Mark Hansen	10	27	37	8
Sandra Wessels		32	32	9
Terry Fuller	30	2	32	9
Gary Gildersleeves	26	4	30	10
Jeff Hewton	28	2	30	10
Rhys Jones	28	2	30	10
Danny Fimeri	10	18	28	11
Malcolm Head	28		28	11
Pat McKeown	16	10	26	12
Eric Parker	18	6	24	13
Ray Walker	14	10	24	13
Dean Stewart	18	4	22	14
Ian Cook	8	14	22	14
Trevor Stam	20	2	22	14
Wendy Hansen	4	18	22	14
Owen Williams	20		20	15
Jim Strong	14		14	15
Terry Willison	13		13	16
Geoff Raftis	12		12	17
John Curtis		12	12	17
Sarah Wignell	6	6	12	17
Shane Wignell	6	6	12	17

Name	Dry casting points	Field Day points	Total points	Rank
Alan Hale	9		9	18
Charles Faure		9	9	18
Frank Gaudin		9	9	18
Justin Rose		8	8	19
Ken Bibby	8		8	19
Nick Edwards	2	6	8	19
Wayne Shaw	2	6	8	19
Andrew Pekaar	7		7	20
Shane Becu	6		6	21
Ian Taggart		4	4	21
Liam Wignell		4	4	21
Melvin Wee		4	4	21
Michael Gaudin		4	4	21
Sharon Osborne		4	4	21
Stephen Pekaar	4		4	21
Sumarie Gaudin		4	4	21
Tino Baiardo		4	4	21
Simon Ryan	3		3	22
Bev Grigo	2		2	22
Des De Villiers		2	2	22
Greg Keet		2	2	22
Greg Walker		2	2	22
Heather Osborne		2	2	22
Holly Walker		2	2	22
Kathy Sedal		2	2	22
Louise Van Niekerk		2	2	22
Michelle Walker		2	2	22
Ron Lindsay		2	2	22
Sabatino Pizzolante		2	2	22
Wayne Collis		2	2	22

Terry Fuller, Reel Talk Editor

Treasurer's report for 2010/11 financial year.

I present the draft Treasurer's report for the financial year 2010/11 as prepared up to 10 July.

Notes regarding the accounts This report includes financial reports for:-

1. Receipts A summary of all money actually received by the Club during 2010/11. This is not all really Club income, since it includes some payments received to be transferred to others, some refunds, etc.

2. Payments A summary of all payments actually made by the Club during 2010/11. This is not all really Club expenses, since it includes some payments which were later refunded.

3. Reconciliation and bank account summary. Showing that all money collected or directly deposited, and cheques presented or direct debits have been accounted for, and un-presented cheques have been identified.

4. Kalbarri house Income and expenses summary for 2010/11.

Ray White Kalbarri was the Club's agent in Kalbarri for part of the year, collected some rental, paid some bills, charged some fees, withheld some funds as a contingency against future expenses, and paid some residuals by direct deposit into the Club's bank account.

Since these rental payments and expenses were not made directly through the Club's accounts, they are not included in 1 and 2 above, but have been listed in the summary for Kalbarri house.

The monthly Treasurer's reports as presented at each General Meeting and published in Reel Talk have given lots of details of each month's income and expenses.

A detailed printout of what has been recorded to prepare the summary as listed above can be made available for members to view. This is a considerable amount of paper, so will only be printed on request, and limited details will be printed in Reel Talk. Electronic copies can be emailed on request.

Profit and Loss Statement and the Balance Sheet Will be calculated by the Auditor who prepares the Club's Tax return. This must include some items such as depreciation and income from the BT investment which is not yet available.

Excess of expenditure over income The excess of \$4,966 from the Club account is covered by the maintenance, replacements, upgrades and investments totalling over \$9,200 on the Kalbarri property. This figure does not include usual expenses such as rates, power, etc.

Interpreting the figures As with many financial reports, some of the figures need additional information to be interpreted correctly. A more detailed summary can be prepared for any particular item or group.

A problem is always the financial year cutoff dates of 1 July and 30 June, which do not allow a true comparison of income and expenditure for exactly the same period. Some payments are made in advance and are not balanced by income and vice versa, for example, Rottnest, Club shirts, brochures.

I am happy to answer any questions on the year's overall figures.

Summary of Income and Expenditure 1 July 2010 to 30 June 2011 via Club accounts.

Income

Kalbarri property.....	\$7,939.92
Rottnest May 2011	\$2,320.00
Rottnest August 2011	\$1,000.00
Presentation night 2011	\$2,407.20
Rottnest August 2010	\$1,273.00
Lawn bowls	\$90.00
Dry casting	\$2,232.00
Field day	\$1,455.00
Club clothing, stickers.....	\$420.00
Dry casting sausage sizzle	\$1,084.50
Meeting social, drinks, raffle	\$738.40
Nomination, Membership fees	\$4,735.20
City of Stirling activity	\$300.00
Donation	\$1,159.30

Expenditure

Kalbarri property.....	\$14,798.88
Rottnest May 2011	\$2,218.72
Rottnest August 2011	\$717.00
Presentation night 2011	\$3,588.40
Rottnest August 2010	\$910.28
Lawn bowls	\$50.00
Dry casting	\$774.00
Field day	\$15.72
Club flags, clothing, badges, bags.....	\$539.00
Sausage sizzle	\$793.12
General meeting and social	\$194.03
Reel Talk.....	\$2,443.66
Tax and accountant	\$693.00
Meeting hall hire.....	\$1,522.00

Blue tarp mats, etc	\$774.00	Bank fees.....	\$18.60
Tax refund.....	\$241.25	Club property assets.....	\$884.55
Rental	\$105.00	Public Liability Insurance	\$954.25
		Secretarial.....	\$883.89
		Advertising	\$484.00
		PO box, telephone, website, email	\$175.00
		Affiliations	\$200.00
		Maintenance.....	\$239.80
		Presentation night 2010.....	\$143.50
Total Income	\$28,274.77	Total expenditure.....	\$33,241.40

Excess of expenditure over income up to 30 June **\$4,966.63**

Bank reconciliation statement as at 30 June 2011

Bank balance at 1 July 2010	\$12,739.46	
Outstanding deposits as at 1 July 2010	\$2.10	
Outstanding cheques at 1 July 2010.....	-\$2,234.00	
Actual funds available at 1 July 2010	\$10,507.56	
Add deposits of income during 2010/2011	\$28,274.77	
Sub Total	\$38,782.33	
Deduct expenditure cheques written/charges during 2010/11	-\$33,247.40	Note 1
Calculated bank balance at 30 June 2011	\$5,534.93	
Actual bank balance at 30 June 2011	\$5,934.93	
Outstanding deposits at 30 June 2011	\$0.00	
Outstanding cheques at 30 June 2011	-\$400.00	
Reconciliation:- available funds at 30 June 2011	\$5,534.93	

Note 1 One cheque was written for an incorrect amount of \$6 extra.

Kalbarri house income and expenses summary 2010/11

Total rental income 1 July 2010 to 30 June 2011	\$9,484.50	excludes a \$700 duplicate payment
Includes rent collected by Ray White	\$5,065.00	
Total expenses	\$16,307.60	excludes refund of duplicate payment, made up of:-

Payments made by Club

Water and water rates	\$756.20
Power	\$1,400.25
Shire rates	\$764.50
Insurance	\$1,018.46
Club advertising	\$80.00
Refund of bond etc	\$500.00
Locks	\$229.16
Paint, hardware	\$878.58
Cutlery, glasses	\$76.23
Table, chairs	\$679.00
Fuel, transport	\$1,212.25
Vinyl flooring	\$866.00
Taps	\$154.00
Air conditioner	\$2,678.50
Bunk beds	\$1,386.00
Kalbarri Visitor Centre membership	\$139.00
Queen bed, mattress, base, etc ...	\$654.90
Television	\$395.00
Misc. fees	\$15.00
Cleaning	\$180.00

Ray White charges

Advertising	\$70.40
Bank charges	\$23.95
Management fees	\$896.13
Owner booking fees	\$132.00
Postage and petties	\$38.50

Payments made by Ray White

Cleaning	\$965.00
Laundry	\$34.54
Replacement items	\$84.05
(excludes charge of \$262 recovered from tenant)	

Ray White reconciliation.

Rent collected by Ray White	\$5,065.00	
Expenses paid to/by Ray White Kalbarri	\$2,244.57	
Withheld by Ray White at 30 June 2010	\$494.50	repaid in January 2011
Actual payment Ray White to SCAC	\$3,314.92	via direct credits to bank account.

Overall reconciliation for Kalbarri

Income 1 July 2010 to 30 June 2011	\$9,484.50
Expenses 1 July 2010 to 30 June 2011	\$16,307.60
Excess of expenses over income	\$6,823.10

Terry Fuller, Treasurer, 13 July 2011.

July 2011 Field Day

This Field day was in two parts, an Open boundary Field day, and a "Field day" during the Safari at Steep Point for people on the Safari who could not attend a Field day on the normal weekend because that's the time they were travelling.

With the decision to have a safari type venue for July, the usual local section was opened to a go anywhere limited by the times of lines down, lines up and weigh-in time. The lines up on Sunday was set at 12:00 noon and with a weigh-in time of 6:00 pm. This allowed 6 hours of travel time. Hence field day fisherpersons spread from north of Two Rocks to Yallingup in the South.

Firstly, to come to a real highlight of local fishing. I have to congratulate George Holman on his bag gained from Floreat Beach. George's bag far exceeded the quality and quantity that the rest of us managed to achieve. With a bag of tailor and herring plus a magnificent, not one, but two Pink snapper of 6.55 and 5.4 kg gilled and gutted. This was outstanding.

While it may be considered a bit of luck to catch one snapper from our local beaches, George has the skills and knowledge to maximize his chances and gets the reward of these two magnificent fish. With his three tailor averaging nearly one kilo, (best was 1.37 kg) together with miscellaneous herring and garfish, he had a bag that will take some beating for local venues over the rest of the year.



George Holman with 6.55 kg Pink Snapper



George with 5.4 and 6.55 kg Pink Snapper

John Crompton, Shane Beau, Allan Jones and Nick Edwards were fishers that tried local (Perth) beaches and fared from zero to small bags of herring.

Justin Rose fished north of Two Rocks, flicking poppers. Working the reefs and wading, this technique worked not well, but too well, as he kept getting tailor in excess of 55cm. As only two tailor of 50cm and above size can be kept, he was doing catch and release. He was only able to bring four tailor to the weigh-in to conform to Fisheries rules. However, Justin's best tailor went 1.94 kg. This was also great capture, and on a lure. Justin has the skills to raise the bar for our 2011/2012 for heaviest tailor for both field day and open section.

The "sob" story of the local fisherpersons must go to Pat McKeown. Not only did he have a bust off on a good fish, but despite trying various local locations, the closest he got to catching a gardie was to watch George pull in one. Pat needs this one for his species badge. Herring no problem, but gardies and Pat don't seem to mix. He will have to turn this around to switch off all the ribbing he will get from various club members.

Some of us that went south put in effort but did not get the rewards that George managed. I went down a day early to scout around. Not only did we find a huge swell which shut down ability to fish some favourite spots, (e.g. eliminating places facing or open to the ocean), but the schools of salmon that show up at this time of year were absent. Apparently the warm Leeuwin current blocked the schools and when they got past Albany, for the most part, they turned around and headed back east - only a few odd fish came through.

Three of us booked a cabin at the Yallingup Camping Caravan Park for a bit of comfort at night. Marcia and Peter Pekaar fished protected spots out from Dunsborough but could only find a few herring, and they were not prolific. I had some protected spots from the rocks close to Yallingup, with the best just below the camp/caravan park. Past years had given me salmon from these spots. But thoughts of repeating salmon catches I did at Reef Beach earlier this year came to nought.

However one of these spots hold Western Rock Blackfish, particularly at high tide, so on Sunday morning I concentrated my effort here. It is fishing using bait-casting rigs in shallow water with reefy and weed bottom, so tend to lose a few rigs. Managed to get a bag of some ten of these species with some minor addition of a few herring and skippy. Best fish was only just 1.0 kg. Not greatest looking fish though some had a beautiful blue hue when freshly caught, but are better than average on the palate.

Hence with 10 fisherpersons spread across a few hundred kilometres of coastline on a winter fishing expedition, the results are an interesting mixture of poor to good to outstanding.

Peter Osborne, Assistant Field Day Officer

Catch results and points for the July Open Field Day

Angler	Weight	Species	Fish	Points
George Holman	16.77 kg	4	13	257.7
Peter Osborne	8.27 kg	4	20	172.7
Justin Rose	5.58 kg	1	4	105.8
Nick Edwards	1.02 kg	1	7	70.2
Peter Pekaar	0.81 kg	1	6	68.1
Marcia Pekaar	0.61 kg	1	5	66.1
Pat McKeown	0.36 kg	1	4	63.6
Allan Jones	0.61 kg	1	1	56.1
John Crompton	0	0	0	50
Shane Becu	0	0	0	40

Points include Field Day and July General Meeting points.

Species weighed at the Open Field Day were:- Pink Snapper, Herring, Garfish, Tailor, Wrasse, Western Rock Blackfish and Skipjack Trevally.

Steep Point Field Day July 2011

A small group of our club ventured off to Steep Point during the July school holidays. The main focus of this Safari was for a break away from city life and to go and enjoy the wild camping experience that Steep Point offers. Boat fishing was our main activity, but we did manage to fit in 5 hours of shore fishing to compete in our Fishing Field Day.

I will write a detail report on our Fishing Safari for the September Reel Talk.

The following people participated in the Field Day event. Michael, Frank and Sumarie Gaudin. Theo van Niekerk, Sandra and Peet Wessels. Between the 6 of us we landed 8 species. Our first hour of fishing started off on the beach in front of our campsite at Shelter Bay.

The little reef section produced some Flathead, Perch and Whiting. From here we headed to the Fault Line. The day was perfect and the water crystal clear.

On arrival we noticed huge schools of fish. This looked to be School Mackerel.



Soon we had bait casting rigs and flies in action, all this to no avail, the fish just did not seemed interested in our offerings. We turned to bottom rigs and did manage to land some Skippy and a few good size Cod. After losing a fair bit of fishing tackle some of us decided to venture off to the western cliffs.

This move worked out to be a good decision. The cliffs we fished were about 30 to 35 meters high with very deep water close in. We used single paternoster rigs with 7/0 hooks and 6 ounce sinkers. We managed to lose just about all the sinkers and rigs we took with us, in the end we had to

scratch around to get a rig made up. However while paying dearly with lost fishing tackle, mostly to big sharks, this spot did produce some magnificent fish. Between the 3 of us we landed a good Emperor, a very good Baldchin Groper and 10 very nice Pink Snapper. While this is a very dangerous and hard type of fishing, this is also a very rewarding and satisfying way of fishing. This is the fishing that you dream of and want to have more of. Just can't wait to experience this again.

Our next field day, August, is Rottnest Island. Hope the next time I see you is with a bent rod in the hand. Tight lines.

Field Day Officer, Peet Wessels

Catch results and points for the July Safari Field Day

Angler	Weight	Species	Fish	Points
Peet Wessels	7.38 kg	6	10	183.8
Theo Van Niekerk	6.89 kg	4	8	148.9
Sandra Wessels	2.68 kg	2	4	96.8
Michael Gaudin	0.75 kg	1	1	57.5
Frank Gaudin	0	0	0	40
Sumarie Gaudin	0	0	0	40

Points include Field Day and July General Meeting points.

Species weighed at the Safari Field Day were:- Pink Snapper, Skipjack Trevally, Flathead, Cod, Sea Perch, Emperor, Baldchin Groper, Whiting.

Sportsperson of the Year winners for July 2011

Best scale fish	George Holman	Pink Snapper	6.55 kg
Best bag of scale fish	George Holman	Mixed Bag	16.77 kg

Field day section winners for July 2011

Best scale fish	George Holman	Pink Snapper	6.55 kg
Best bag of scale fish	Peter Osborne	Mixed Bag	8.27 kg

Field Day sections 2011/12

Up to and including July Field Day.

1A	Best Scale Fish (1st Six Months)	George Holman	Pink Snapper	6.55 kg
1B	Best Scale Fish (2nd Six Months)			
2	Most Meritorious Fish	To be awarded by Committee		
3	Best Shark (4.5kg min)			
4	Best Mulloway (2.0kg min)			
5	Best Tailor (1.0kg min)	Justin Rose	Tailor	1.92 kg
6	Best Salmon (3kg min)			
7	Best Skipjack Trevally (0.5 kg min)	Sandra Wessels	Trevally, Skipjack	1.13 kg
8	Best Mackerel (2kg Min)			
9	Best Scale Fish (Other than above)	Peet Wessels	Cod	1.44 kg
10	Best Bag Of Scale Fish	George Holman	Mixed Bag	16.77 kg
11	Best Bag Of Mulloway (2 Fish Min)			
12	Best Bag Of Tailor (2 Fish Min)	Justin Rose	Tailor	5.58 kg
13	Best Fish On S/H Rod 4kg b/s line (max)	Peter Osborne	Wrasse	0.36 kg
14	Best Fish Caught on Fly Rod	Frank Gaudin	Trevally, Skipjack	0.75 kg

Field Day top scores for 2011/12

Total scores up to and including July Field Day and General meeting.

Name	Points	Rank	Name	Points	Rank	Name	Points	Rank
Peet Wessels	493	1	Sumarie Gaudin	148.5	12	Wayne Shaw	57	23
Peter Osborne	449.5	2	Michael Gaudin	123.5	13	Ray Walker	50	24
Sandra Wessels	365.9	3	Stuart Spickett	108.8	14	Ron Lindsay	50	25
Theo Van Niekerk	327.7	4	Nick Edwards	103.6	15	Lachlan Spickett	40	26
George Holman	317.2	5	John Crompton	100	16	Olivia Keet	40	27
Justin Rose	241.5	6	Allan Jones	96.1	17	Shane Becu	40	28
Frank Gaudin	187.4	7	Ian Taggart	90.3	18	Sharon Osborne	40	29
Mark Hansen	185.8	8	Wendy Hansen	86.8	19	Shane Wignell	32.8	30
Peter Pekaar	174.6	9	Pat McKeown	83.6	20	Sarah Wignell	21.4	31
Greg Keet	170.3	10	Morgan Keet	66.3	21	John Curtis	20	32
Marcia Pekaar	150.7	11	Felicity Keet	62.5	22			

Open fishing competition 2011/12

The Open Competition is for fish caught other than on Club Gazetted Field Days, but not in any other AAA affiliated club event on the same dates. Entries for the Open competition close 30 days after capture. Looking forward to some entries from the Safari.

Section	For	Minimum weight	Entry
1	Most Meritorious Capture	None	To be awarded by Committee
2	Best Shark	4.5 kg	
3	Best Mulloway	5.0 kg	Dave Maxted, 6.5 kg, False Entrance
4	Best Salmon	3.5 kg	
5	Best Dhufish	Legal size	
6	Best Tailor	1.5 kg	Justin Rose, 3.2 kg, S Bend
7	Best Samson Fish	1.5 kg	
8	Best Fish on single handed rod maximum 4kg line class	Legal size	
9	Best Pink Snapper	2.0 kg	George Holman, 3.0 kg, False Entrance
10	Best Tarwhine	0.5 kg	Pat McKeown, 0.5 kg, False Entrance
11	Best Mackerel	4.0 kg	George Holman, 17 kg, False Entrance
12	Best Skipjack Trevally (southern)	1.0 kg	George Holman, 2.5 kg, False Entrance
13	Best Trevally (northern)	4.0 kg	
14	Best Snook/Pike	0.5 kg	
15	Best Black or Yellow finned Bream	0.6 kg	
16	Best Scale fish other than sections 3 - 15	2.0 kg	George Holman, 10.75kg Northern bluefin tuna, False Entrance
17	Best Fish caught on Fly Rod.	Legal size	

Barron Lure competition 2011/12

The Barron Lure competition is sponsored by Eric Parker, who donates the trophies. Try Eric's poppers, you will not be disappointed.

Heaviest Tailor on Lure. To be advised
 Heaviest Salmon on Lure. To be advised
 Heaviest Scale Fish on Lure. To be advised

Update to Species Badge competition

The list of species registered to members has been updated for catches during July Open Field Day, Safari field day and open entries.

Name	Black Bream	Flathead	Flounder	Garfish	Herring	Yellow Eyed Mullet	Mackerel	Mulloway	Pink Snapper	Salmon	Samson Fish	Snook or Pike	Tailor	Tarwhine	Trevally	Whiting	Wrasse	Number of species caught
Theo Van Niekerk		1			1				1	1			1	1	1		1	8
Shane Becu		1																1

Recorder, John Curtis

Getting the best out of your fish

Received a phone call on Sunday morning with a request to get out my filleting gear coz there was a specialist filleting job or two for me.

Why do I get offered such jobs? Well I have been pretty vocal about getting the best out of your fish; about not wasting parts of fish which provide sensational tasting meals; I have backed that up with some filleting demonstrations, and I have an instruction period (or two) lined up for later in 2011.

So I rolled up to George's and was shown two magnificent Pink Snapper caught off a Perth metro beach, as covered in the field day report. Wow!. What wonderful specimens to get some extra facts and photos of how to get the most and the best out of great fish, for my Instruction period talks later in the year.

The usual "conversion rate" from a whole demersal fish like a Pink Snapper is that you end up with about one third of the whole weight as skinless, boneless fillets, meaning that two thirds of the fish is discarded as rubbish.

Current possession limit rules already contribute to large percentage of waste because possession limits encourage fishers to concentrate on skinless, boneless fillets and waste other good parts of the fish, in an attempt to maximise the amount of flesh. Any "pieces of fish", except whole fish, head and tails, are classed as "fillets" for possession limits.

Now I think, no I **know**, that is an unacceptable waste of a valuable resource and great food at a time when maximum use should be made of any fish which has been killed. The recovery rate could be increased by education on the value and alternative tastes of other parts of fish.

I also have to declare a personal interest here. I like eating fish, and I like the range of different tastes you get from different parts of the same fish.

I took my time, photographed the filleting and cutting process and weighed the results. Here are some figures from these two fish which demonstrate the percentages, noting that these fish started as gilled and gutted fish, whereas most people start with whole fish which would change the percentages as shown.

Skinless / boneless fillet conversion rate	Frame and wings conversion rate	"Pieces of fish" conversion rate	Heads (no gills)	Scraps
39%	30%	69%	22%	9%
Starting with a whole fish, the percentage would go				
down	down	down	? including gills	up

Interesting... there's another 30% of the fish which can be recovered as wings and backbones, plus the head.

Some people may say:- "that's all very well, I can understand saving and eating wings, but how much flesh is actually left on those backbones and why bother?" I am a fairly good filleter and I

don't leave very much flesh on the backbone, but there's still plenty left to eat. And if you know you are going to use the backbones, then you can leave a little bit extra on them.



Fish pieces



In flour, cooking



Ready to eat... yum



The leftovers, just bones and fins.

Take these, the last pieces of a backbone, as an example. That's a 260mm plate, the raw pieces weighed 350 grams, the leftover bones and fin scraps weighed 160 grams, giving 190 grams of yummy flesh, a great lunch, which would otherwise be in the bin.

In its blurb about possession limits, the Department of Fisheries says 200 grams of fillets is an adult sized meal. Less than half of the backbone of one fish gave nearly that much. The front part of the same fish's backbone gave considerably more.

The bones and scraps left over from a 1,400 gram Pink Snapper head weighed 600 grams, meaning there was about 800 grams or 43% flesh.

I will have a lot more info about all this in my instruction period(s) covering use of a vacuum sealer, and looking after and getting the best out of your fish. This Instruction period will probably be run at the October General meeting. Watch for the notification in Reel Talk and don't miss it!

Terry Fuller, Reel Talk Editor

Venue for 2012 Presentation night

Four Committee members had a meeting with the function manager Amber from the Glengarry Tavern to discuss our experiences during the 2011 Presentation night.

In discussing future bookings and our requirements, we were advised there is a possibility of a redevelopment of the site or of the function room. Various possibilities have been rumored but no definite plans have been advised by the owners of the site to the management people in the Glengarry Tavern. It is possible that nothing will be known until decisions are made just before the redevelopments start.

This means that even though a booking can be made for next year 2012, the Tavern management cannot guarantee that the function room will be available.

Members are asked to suggest other suitable venues as a backup or alternative to the Glengarry Tavern in case it is not available.

Requirements are:- space for 80 or more people (2012 is the Club's 60th year), space for display of prizes and trophies, good food and service, reasonable charges, in a separate room away from any bands or noisy activities.

Please contact Social Organiser Pat McKeown with any suggestions.

2011/12 Membership fees are due

Membership fees for 2011/12 became due on 1 July and are payable by 31 July 2011. Please see the article on page 18 and use the form at the back of the July Reel Talk.

Kalbarri House for rent.

Update – 20% discount for public for August and September 2011

The Club owns a house in Kalbarri which is ideal for a fishing holiday in the area. Access to the famous fishing spots at Wago, Lucky Bay, Port Gregory, etc is just a short drive away via the bitumen road.

The Mallard Street house has easy access to the river, beaches and town. It has two reverse cycle air conditioners to keep you cool in the summer months and warm in winter. It has two bedrooms and will sleep up to eight (max) in 1 queen sized bed and 3 bunks.

Users need to bring their own linen, blankets and towels, tea towels, etc. It has a radio and television, stove with oven, microwave oven, crockery and cutlery and all cooking utensils, large fridge and a separate chest freezer. It does not have a washing machine.

Outside has a fish cleaning facility and a full width verandah. There is plenty of fenced parking space for cars, trailers and boats behind a gate. Rates are:

Public. 20% discount on rental will be offered for August and September 2011

Off season	Short term (min 2 nights)	\$100 per night for 2 people	\$20 per night per extra adult \$10 per night per extra child	\$100 bond
On season	Short term (min 2 nights)	\$120 per night for 2 people	\$20 per night per extra adult \$10 per night per extra child	\$100 bond
	Weekly rates	6 times daily rate as above		

Surf Casting and Angling Club members

Off season	\$200 per week	On season	\$300 per week	} \$100 deposit/bond
Short term	\$60 one night	\$50 per night (two or more nights)		} plus \$60 cleaning

Members of clubs affiliated with the Australian Anglers Association WA Division receive a **20% discount** on the normal public rates.

Contact Property Officer Ray Walker on 9313 4196, mobile 0422 455 119 for more details and for bookings, location of keys etc. Check in time is 2pm. Check out time is 10am.

If any work needs to be done in, on or around the house, please contact the Property Officer for approval.

Regulations do not allow caravans to be occupied (lived in) on the Kalbarri site.

Ray Walker, Property Officer



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