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Committee Person Melvin Wee

## Life Members of the Club

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

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# Minutes of General Meeting, November 2007

| Venue:               | Coolbinia West Perth Amateur Football and Sporting Club Rooms   |
|----------------------|---|
| Time:                | 2005 hrs  |
| President Presiding: | Malcolm Harris  |
| Present:             | 23 Members  |
| Apologies:           | Trevor Stam, Dave Maxted, Greg Walker, Hadley Markus and lan Cook   |
| Visitors:            | None  |
| New Members:         | Hadley & Tracy Markus apologise for not attending the meeting   |
| Previous Minutes:    | As published in the October 2007 Reel Talk  |
|                      | Moved: Jim Strong Seconded: Morris Kolman   |
| Previous Committee:  | 17 October 2007   |
|                      | Inwards / Outwards Mail   |
|                      | Repairs to be done at Kalbarri House  |
|                      | 3 New Members Names placed in November Reel Talk  |
|                      | We discussed Chas Riegert issue in depth and in length motion<br>to be returned back to General meeting for a possible<br>conclusion. |
| Correspondence In:   | BT Financial Group Quarterly Statement  |
|                      | Synergy Account on Kalbarri premises<br>Ray White General Account   |

|                          | ECU Survey for newly arrived migrants from African  |
|--------------------------|---|
|                          | Communities   |
|                          | Dept. of Water, Draft on Stokes Inlet Management Plan Project<br>Mike Traynier – Information on Club Membership (email)         |
|                          | Robert Henderson – Suggest that Club Financial details should<br>be omitted from the SCAA Club Website (email)                  |
|                          | Terry Fuller – Meeting held with Rob Thompson, CEO WA Sports Federation on Chas Reigert issue (email)                           |
|                          | Stirling Shire – Jim McNeilly, gave Coolbinia Club's personnel contact details (email)  |
|                          | WA News – Information required on Recreational Fishing and Sanctuary Zones (email)  |
|                          | Allen Rousseau – requests an explanation of the conditions  |
|                          | involved to become a Member (email)<br>Nick Dragicevich – Information required on the use and<br>purchase of Reef Boots (email) |
|                          | Peter Osborne - returning home on rec. leave and looking forward to fishing at Cervantes while on his break                     |
|                          | Peter Osborne passes his congratulations to the Surfcasters' success at the AAA event in October 2007 (email)                   |
| Correspondence Out:      | Request to Coolbinia Club Rooms to use the area for SCAAC annual drycasting night event for 8 <sup>th</sup> December            |
|                          | A request to the new owner of the old PO Box in Melville to<br>redirect our mail to the new PO Box number, mailing address      |
|                          | stickers issued   |
|                          | Westpac – SCAAC signatories, authorization letter required to change Melville PO Box to the new address in Malaga               |
|                          | Allen Rousseau – Club information, brochures and membership   |
|                          | application sent out<br>Mike Traynier – details on Cervantes (email)  |
| Treasurer's Report:      | Sandra Wessels reported.  |
|                          |   |
|                          | Moved: Jim Strong Seconded: Peter Stoeckel  |
| Property Officer:        | Nothing to report, a couple more bookings for Kalbarri which will be booked from the 5/12 to January 2008                       |
|                          | Mal Head has just returned from Kalbarri, just the awning damage  |
|                          | Vix says the awning has to come from Geraldton  |
| Secretary's Report:      | In the Minutes of the General Meeting on 10 October 2007 (page 5) of the Reel Talk, stated:                                     |
| Deel Telly December 2007 | 'The motion was carried in favor of the letter being sent to Mr. C Riegert – <u>Done</u> '                                      |

# The word DONE is to be OMITTED

I would like to Thank Marcia for printing out 10 copies of the Constitution and Competition Rules for the New Members.

With the absence of Our Club Treasurer, Sandra, in the Month of December 2007 <u>All monies / cheques etc to be given to John</u> <u>Crompton</u>

The following New Members have been accepted by the Committee into the SCAA Club: Greg Keet, Kevin Jackson, and Ron Hicks.

Field Day Officer: AAA State Estuary competition to be held this Month <u>24-25</u> <u>November 2007</u>, all Members to contact Peet to arrange a team for the event

This weekend will be Cervantes, a show of hands attending.

Rottnest Field Trips, May and August 2008 in the Caroline Thompson two bungalows <u>Names and Deposits are required</u> <u>now!</u>

Fishing Scales to be calibrated or we might buy another set depending on the costing

Mark Hansen, to be Acting Field Day Officer in December

SCAAC Website: Fishing Photos taken by Mal, Vix & John are now being added to the Website in a photo album, if any member has any photos please pass them on to Peet Wessels

All addresses changed on the Website

- Drycasting Officer: A new member Mike Traynier had a few casts with George Holman
  - Single-handed open in December

Greg Keet broke the 100m mark and also won the single handed accuracy

lan Cook did well on the 56g at 120m

Mal Harris did the longest cast at 146m

Gary after missing for 3 months made 154 points

December, Vets on Distance and Seniors on Accuracy

All Members did very well at this Month's Drycasting

All Dry casters please pay their dues to Marcia as soon as arriving at the event of the day

Double-handed bull's eyes – Marcia and Gary,

Single-handed bull's eyes Greg and George

AAA Report: AAA now has a President and a Vice President
 AAA State Estuary Competition to be held this month 24-25
 November 2007. Our Club need to make up a team to enter this event.
 Thanks to John Curtis for all the Computer work he did

|                     | George thanked all Club Members who had set up the courts for<br>the AAA State Championships in the rain on Saturday night<br>George thanked Andy Thorgersen and Peter Stoeckel for setting<br>up the barbeque for the day<br>George thanked all Surfcasters who had won most of the events<br>and he also thanked Geoff Raftis for his assistance in marking<br>Recfishwest are doing a tremendous job for all anglers<br>Mal Harris thanked George for arranging the AAA event; we all<br>had a good time<br>Jim Strong will be arranging a letter from the AAA Secretary to<br>thank George and John Curtis<br>Vix casting on the day was excellent<br>Vix thanked the girls, Wendy, Marcia & Beverley for their effort<br>on the State Event |
|---------------------|--|
| Recorder:           | Not Present  |
| Social Organizer:   | Annual Night Surfcasting Event will be held at the rear of George<br>Holman's House, all Members to be there by <u>1800 hrs on</u><br><u>8 December 2007</u><br>A few members were caught out on the Sergeants of Arms event<br><u>2008 Social Day Out</u> , could be a <u>Car Rally, Ten Pin Bowling or</u><br><u>Go Kart Racing</u> . All Members to suggest their preference to   |
|                     | Peter Stoeckel ASAP.   |
| Reel Talk Editor:   | All up to date. Just send in your reports Friday week after the meeting day  |
| Recfishwest Report: | Anglers sought for Recreational Fishing Advisory Committee<br>Positions<br>Commercial Fishing closure starts Midnight tonight<br>Recfishwest Draft was finalized tonight on managing the<br>Recreational Catch of Demersal Scale fish on the West Coast<br>Recfishwest has now 800 Members and most of the SCAA Club are<br>now Members or are in the process of becoming members<br>Recfishwest Website<br><u>http://www.recfishwest.org.au/CastingAround.htm</u> "   |
| Notices of Motion:  | None   |
| General Business:   | Sandra called out a few Members' names who have not renewed<br>their Membership<br>Mark Hansen and Greg Walker are asking Members who are<br>interested in an adventure to Steep Point in April or July 2008<br>George mentioned that there are power lines running to the rear<br>of Bluff Creek to a possible mine site, if this goes ahead we<br>might have trouble trying to fish the Bluff Creek area in the future<br>Terry Fuller met with Rob Thompson the CEO Sports Federation   |

Kevin Jackson has offered a Fishing Jacket to be raffled out at the December's Meeting

Terry Fuller apologizes for using a recorder at the General Meetings between the Members and himself, the recorder is for his own use and was accidentally left on until the end of the meeting and in future he will ask permission to use the recorder.

**Dave Maxted**, on behalf of the Surf Casters Club, we wish your wife, **Lorna**, a speedy recovery.

# **DECEMBER GENERAL MEETING NOTICE**

Please remember to bring a Plate to the December Meeting. A Social gathering after the meeting to Celebrate Christmas and the Year's Activities.

Instruction Period:

Mark Hansen instructs Members on Catching Tailor January 2008 – Bluff Creek by Peet Wessels February 2008 – Steep Point by Ian Cook

# Raffle:Won by Malcolm HeadMeeting Closed:2130 HrsCalendar for Next Three Months

Here's a calendar showing the dates we will use for Dry Casting, General and Committee Meetings, and Field Days in the next three months.

| <u>29</u> |               | AAA E | vent  |     |              |           |        |      |     |               |                   |           |           |     |     |     |     |       |           |           |
|-----------|---------------|-------|-------|-----|--------------|-----------|--------|------|-----|---------------|-------------------|-----------|-----------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-------|-----------|-----------|
| <u>8</u>  | C             | ry Ca | sting |     | 11           | Ge        | eneral | Meet | ing | 14            | <u>4</u> <u>1</u> | <u>5</u>  | Field     | Day |     | 18  | Com | mitte | e Mee     | ting      |
|           | December 2007 |       |       |     | January 2008 |           |        |      |     | February 2008 |                   |           |           |     |     |     |     |       |           |           |
| Mon       | Tue           | Wed   | Thu   | Fri | Sat          | Sun       | Mon    | Tue  | Wed | Thu           | Fri               | Sat       | Sun       | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri   | Sat       | Sun       |
| 31        |               |       |       |     | 1            | <u>2</u>  |        | 1    | 2   | 3             | 4                 | 5         | <u>6</u>  |     |     |     |     | 1     | 2         | <u>3</u>  |
| 3         | 4             | 5     | 6     | 7   | 8#           | 9         | 7      | 8    | 9   | 10            | 11                | <u>12</u> | <u>13</u> | 4   | 5   | 6   | 7   | 8     | 9         | 10        |
| 10        | 11            | 12~   | 13    | 14  | <u>15</u>    | <u>16</u> | 14     | 15   | 16  | 17            | 18                | 19        | 20        | 11  | 12  | 13  | 14  | 15    | <u>16</u> | <u>17</u> |
| 17        | 18            | 19    | 20    | 21  | 22           | 23        | 21     | 22   | 23  | 24            | 25                | 26        | 27        | 18  | 19  | 20  | 21  | 22    | 23        | 24        |
| 24        | 25            | 26    | 27    | 28  | 29           | 30        | 28     | 29   | 30  | 31            |                   |           |           | 25  | 26  | 27  | 28  | 29    |           |           |

# Night Casting is definitely being held at George & Kay Holman's place at 6.00pm on Saturday, 8 December as usual. BYO meat & salad for the barbecue and prepare for the single handed casting event on the oval once the sun goes down. Remember to bring your glow sticks.

~ 12 December – General Meeting: Please bring a plate of food to contribute to the social gathering following the meeting.

#### 2007/2008 Field Day Dates, Venues and Boundaries

The following is the list of Field Day dates, venues and boundaries.

| Dates               | Venue              | Boundaries and more details  |  |  |  |  |  |
|---------------------|--------------------|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| 15-16 December 2007 | Yanchep to Seabird | Yanchep Beach to Seabird Caravan Park.   |  |  |  |  |  |
| 12-13 January 2008  | Local              | Penguin Island to north wall of the Two Rocks<br>Marina, Including the Swan River and both the<br>North and South Moles. |  |  |  |  |  |

#### 2007/2008 Dry Casting Dates. All are at Yokine Reserve, Wordsworth Avenue, Yokine, starting 8:30am.

| Sunday, 2 December 2007 | Sunday, 6 January 2008 |
|-------------------------|------------------------|
| Sunday, 3 February 2008 | Sunday, 2 March 2008   |

**2007/2008 General Meeting Dates.** All at Coolbinia West Perth Amateur Football and Sporting Club room, Wordsworth Avenue, Yokine, start 8:00pm.

| Wednesday, 12 December 2007 | Wednesday, 9 January 2008 |
|-----------------------------|---------------------------|
| Wednesday, 13 February 2008 | Wednesday, 13 March 2008  |

# COMING FIELD DAY EVENTS FOR DEC 2007 & JAN 2008

## Field Day, Yanchep to Seabird

| •            | unone |   |
|--------------|-------|---|
| When         | :     | 15 -16 December 2007  |
| Sign On      | :     | Saturday 11h00 at the Yanchep Beach car park.   |
| Lines Down   | :     | Saturday 12 noon.   |
|              |       | Boundaries: Yanchep Beach to Seabird Caravan Park.  |
| Weigh In     | :     | Sunday 12 noon, at the Yanchep Beach car park.  |
| Field Day, L | .ocal |   |
| When         | :     | 15-16 December 2007   |
| Sign On      | :     | At the General meeting or phone the Assistant FDO by 18h00<br>Friday 14 December 2007.  |
| Lines Down   | :     | Saturday 12 noon.   |
| Boundaries   | :     | Penguin Island to north wall of the Two Rocks Marina,   |
|              |       | Including the Swan River and both the North and South Moles.  |
| Weigh In     | :     | Sunday, 16 December 2007 at George Holman's House.<br>Scales will be available on his back patio.<br>An adult member must witness weights. Field<br>Day money to be left with the scales in an envelope with your<br>name and details written in the carbon copy Field Day book.<br>No money = no points. Results to be phoned to Field Day<br>Officer by 20h00 Sunday night. |
| Field Day    |       |   |
| When         | :     | 12-13 January 2008  |
| Sign On      | :     | To be advised by FDO.   |
| Lines Down   | :     | Saturday 12 noon.   |
| Boundaries   |       | Penguin Island to north wall of the Two Rocks Marina,<br>Including the Swan River and both the North and South Moles.   |
| Weigh In     | :     | Sunday, 13 January 2008. Weigh in venue to be advised.  |
|              |       |   |

# 2008/2009 SUGGESTIONS

## Field Days

All Members are reminded that in April each year the Field Days for the following 12 months are selected. Please give consideration to where you would like to fish next year and bring your ideas to the forthcoming meetings. Please feel free to discuss your ideas with other members and maybe come up with a location we haven't visited before.

## Social Events

We are also seeking suggestions for social events. Some suggested activities are: Go Karting, Ten Pin Bowling, Car Rally. Please bring your suggestions along to the next General Meeting or email your ideas to one of the Committee Members on page 1 of the Reel Talk.

|    | Field Day Sections up to and including November |                |                    |        |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|----|---|----------------|--------------------|--------|--|--|--|--|--|--|
|    | Section   | Angler         | Species            | Weight |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1A | Best Scale Fish (1st Six Months)                | George Holman  | Mulloway           | 6.640  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1B | Best Scale Fish (2nd Six Months)                | 0              | 0                  | 0.000  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2  | Most Meritorious Fish                           | 0              | 0                  | 0.000  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 3  | Best Shark (4.5kg min)                          | Mark Hansen    | Shark              | 4.400  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 4  | Best Mulloway (2.0kg min)                       | George Holman  | Mulloway           | 6.640  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 5  | Best Tailor (1.0kg min)                         | Mark Hansen    | Tailor             | 2.885  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 6  | Best Salmon (3kg min)                           | Mark Hansen    | Salmon             | 4.025  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 7  | Best Skipjack Trevally (0.5 kg min)             | lan Cook       | Trevally, Skipjack | 0.964  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 8  | Best Mackerel (2kg Min)                         | 0              | 0                  | 0.000  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 9  | Best Scale Fish (Other than above)              | Malcolm Harris | Snapper Pink       | 3.420  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 10 | Best Bag Of Scale Fish                          | Tino Baiardo   | Mixed Bag          | 13.540 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 11 | Best Bag Of Mulloway (2 Fish Min)               | George Holman  | Mulloway           | 8.090  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 12 | Best Bag Of Tailor (2 Fish Min)                 | Malcolm Harris | Tailor             | 6.365  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 13 | Best Fish On S/H Rod 4kg b/s line (max)         | Peet Wessels   | Pike               | 0.195  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 14 | Best Fish Caught on Fly Rod                     | 0              | 0                  | 0.000  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

| Sportsperson Of The Year Sections for November |                |           |        |  |  |  |  |  |
|--|----------------|-----------|--------|--|--|--|--|--|
| Section  | Angler         | Species   | Weight |  |  |  |  |  |
| Best Scale Fish                                | Malcolm Harris | Tailor    | 0.520  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Best Bag of Scale fish                         | Peter Osborne  | Mixed Bag | 5.210  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Best Shark                                     | Peter Osborne  | Shark     | 3.270  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Best Bag Including Sharks                      | Peter Osborne  | Mixed Bag | 8.480  |  |  |  |  |  |

| Field Day Prizes for November |                |           |        |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|-------------------------------|----------------|-----------|--------|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| Section                       | Angler         | Species   | Weight |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Best Scale Fish               | Malcolm Harris | Tailor    | 0.520  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Best Bag of Scale fish        | Peter Osborne  | Mixed Bag | 5.210  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Best Shark                    | Peter Osborne  | Shark     | 3.270  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Best Bag Including Sharks     | Peter Osborne  | Mixed Bag | 8.480  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

| Heaviest Tailor     | 4.9 kg | George Holman |
|---------------------|--------|---------------|
| Heaviest Salmon     |        |               |
| Heaviest Scale fish | 4.9 kg | George Holman |

I would like to wish all the members and their families a safe and happy Christmas and New Year

Tight Lines Cookie

#### Field Day Points to November 2007

|                | -      |
|----------------|--------|
| Malcolm Harris | 895.24 |
| Mark Hansen    | 609.3  |
| George Holman  | 484.5  |
| lan Cook       | 469.5  |
| Vix Alexander  | 425.08 |
| Peet Wessels   | 365.9  |
| Tino Baiardo   | 302.14 |
| Peter Pekaar   | 244.28 |
| Andrew Pekaar  | 228.7  |
| John Crompton  | 208.58 |
| lan Taggart    | 202.93 |
| Sandra Wessels | 196.1  |
| Morris Kolman  | 187.65 |
| David Maxted   | 142.84 |
| Marcia Pekaar  | 140.2  |
| Wendy Hansen   | 120    |
| Peter Osborne  | 114.2  |
| Peter Stoeckel | 112.94 |
| Greg Walker    | 90     |
| Grant Taggart  | 65.02  |
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| Stephen Pekaar | 54.2   |
| Melvin Wee     | 54     |
| Greg Keet      | 52.2   |
| Terry Fuller   | 50     |
|                |        |

# 2006 / 2007 Open Competition Results till November 2007

| Section | For  | Min Weight | Details                                 |
|---------|--|------------|---|
| 1.      | Most Meritorious Capture                               | None       | Winner chosen by the Committee, if the  |
|         |  |            | Committee considers meritorious enough. |
| 2.      | Best Shark   | 4.5 kg     |   |
| 3.      | Best Mulloway  | 5.0 kg     | George Holman 6.8 kg Wagoe              |
| 4.      | Best Salmon  | 3.5 kg     |   |
| 5.      | Best Dhufish   | Legal size |   |
| 6.      | Best Tailor  | 1.5 kg     | George Holman 4.9 kg Crayfish Bay       |
| 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 3.8 kg False Entrance     |
| 10.     | Best Tarwhine  | 0.5 kg     |   |
| 11.     | Best Mackerel  | 4.0 kg     |   |
| 12.     | Best Skipjack Trevally (southern)                      | 1.0 kg     |   |
| 13.     | Best Trevally (northern)                               | 4.0 kg     |   |
| 14.     | Best Snook/Pike  | 0.5 kg     |   |
| 15.     | Best Black or Yellow fin Bream                         | 0.6 kg     | George Holman 0.9 kg False Entrance     |
| 16.     | Best Scale fish other than sections 3 to 14            | 2.0 kg     |   |
| 17.     | Best Fish caught on Fly Rod.                           | Legal size |   |

Please let me know if there are any omissions.

## SHARK BAY SAFARI (Steep Point)

Expressions of interest are now being called for anyone interested in attending a Club Safari (fortnight) at Shark Bay. It is proposed to hold a two-week trip from 28 April to 10 May 2008 including a proposed 24 hour (official) Field Day.

The fishing up there is wide and varied, catering for juniors to veterans (able-bodied) and all angling styles including gas ballooning off cliffs; bottom bouncing for snapper and bald chin; lures; trolling for mackerel and others in boats; beach fishing for large flathead, whiting, monster tailor and many other species that are rarely if ever seen in more southern waters!

A \$50 deposit per head, would be required up front, which is NON-REFUNDABLE (which partly goes to pay for booking the camp site/s. Further monies will be required for bait, fuels for both the generator and the boats).

Members are required to organise their own transport (about a 2000km round trip), food and drinks, camping and fishing gear (except bait). Any interested person should budget from \$500 to \$800 total cost (depending on fuel/food prices etc). The February instruction period will be given by Ian Cook (and others) and will give more detailed information.

Members need to be aware that the facilities at this venue are limited. There are toilets, but NO FREE WATER.

Please contact one of the following members for more information and/or to indicate your interest:

Greg Walker Ian Cook Mark Hansen

You may be interested in borrowing a copy of the Steep Point CD, which is available via these members.

## 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.

## Mal Head

# FLEETS TACKLE: WALTER ROAD, MORLEY

15% Discount To Club Members Excluding Bait. Also fixes reels at reasonable rates. Contact: Brian Abbott

#### STATE DRY CASTING CHAMPIONSHIPS 2007/2008

The above event was held at Yokine Reserve on Sunday, 28 October 2007. The weather was overcast to start with, but ended up with fine conditions. The wind was brisk from the south with a slight tail wind later in the day, which meant a left to right drift for most of the day – not really conducive to long casting, although as you will see, some good distances were achieved.

I was disappointed with the attendance and a somewhat negative attitude by some when asked to help out on the day, and the usual camaraderie and fraternisation was lacking in the main. However, there are always those who put in the hard yards to make these events happen and I will start this report by thanking them before going into the event detail.

Firstly, to those few who braved the wet conditions on the Saturday afternoon to put the lanes down, thank you. People forget this has to be done prior to the day.

To Magic Nissan, who once again sponsored all the Individual winner and runner up trophies, a special thank you, as they have done this for 15-20 years.

For their help in collecting the perpetual trophies, I thank Bob Henderson and Ric Cameron.

Andy Thorgersen and Peter Stoeckel did a tremendous job in preparing the sausage sizzle and drinks. Andy in particular manned the hot plate all day so from us all, thank you. Jim Strong should also receive a special thank you, as our Patron, for presenting the trophies at the end of the day.

Geoff Raftis offered to help me all day and to mark, as he was getting over a shoulder operation. This he did and supervised the Vets and Ladies court and was very efficient. Thanks, Geoff.

I have deliberately left my final individual thank you to John Curtis. John offered to do the computer work and scoring, which is very demanding, and other than an early hiccup was very efficient and the final results were available not long after the last cast. Thanks from us all, John.

My last acknowledgement and thanks go to all who attended and participated and I would like to think the attendance will improve next year.

As mentioned before, there was some very good casting on the day and I will firstly list the winning teams, then the individual winners, and then some of the longer casts in each event.

There was only one junior caster present for the day in Andrew Pekaar, but when you look at his casting results, he would be better than mid-field in the Seniors. Good work, Andrew.

## TEAM EVENTS

## MEN

- 1 Surfcasters
- 2 Bunbury
- 3 Offshore
- 4 Melville

# VETS

- 1 Surfcasters (1)
- 2 Surfcasters (2)
- 3 Offshore

# LADIES

- 1 Surfcasters
- 2 Offshore
- 3 Bunbury

# JUNIORS

#### Surfcasters

# INDIVIDUAL WINNERS

| Men:      | 1 <sup>st</sup> : | Peter Pekaar        | 2 <sup>nd</sup> : Gary Gildersleeves |
|-----------|-------------------|---------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Veterans: | 1 <sup>st</sup> : | Allan Jones         | 2 <sup>nd</sup> : Bob Henderson      |
| Ladies:   | 1 <sup>st</sup> : | Philomena D'Allonzo | 2 <sup>nd</sup> : Janet Hughes       |
| Junior:   | 1 <sup>st</sup> : | Andrew Pekaar       |                                      |

To the individual winners and runners-up and also the teams, I extend congratulations from all those present on their achievements.

I will endeavour to give a brief appraisal of each of the five events, but before I do that, I must mention that the longest cast for the day went to Mike Bailey from Bunbury Club with a cast of 174.50 metres.

## Best results in <u>Double Handed Accuracy</u> went to:

| Men:    | Chas Riegert  | 142 | Gary Gildersleeves  | 132 |
|---------|---------------|-----|---------------------|-----|
| Vets:   | Allan Jones   | 147 | George Holman       | 139 |
| Ladies: | Vix Alexander | 115 | Philomena D'Allonzo | 106 |
| Junior: | Andrew Pekaar | 116 |                     |     |

## 56 Gram Distance V Court Teams:

- Men: J Pullella 150; C Riegert 144.60; M Bailey 142.20
- Vets: I Cook 133.95; G Holman 132.30
- Ladies: V Alexander 110.80; P D'Allonzo 95.90
- Junior: A Pekaar 129.30

# Artificial Bait Teams:

- Men: P Pekaar 146.20; C Riegert 145.80; J Pullella 143
- Vets: G Holman 126.80; R Henderson 119.20
- Ladies: V Alexander 100.50; M Pekaar 78.80; J Hughes 78.65
- Junior: A Pekaar 113.80

# Artificial Bait Individual:

Men: P Pekaar 147.40; M Bailey 142.80

Vets: R Henderson 122.40; I Cook 117.80

Ladies: V Alexander 91.20; J Hughes 87.30

Junior: A Pekaar 119.20

# 112g Distance Individual:

Men: M Bailey 174.50; C Riegert 173.50; M Sneddon 172.90; P Pekaar 171.50
 Vets: G Holman 148.70; R Henderson 142.80
 Ladies: V Alexander 107.30; M Pekaar 93.80; J Hughes 92.80
 Junior: A Pekaar 136.40

As you can see by this summary, there was some good casting and a noticeable improvement by a number of casters.

I look forward to seeing you all at the 2008/2009 cast next October.

## George Holman

# HAPPY BIRTHDAY

The following members celebrate their birthdays in December:

- Mal Head Steve Reilly Heather Osborne Holly Walker George Holman Tom Lund Bev Grigo Sandra Wessels
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# PLEASE NOTE:

# There will be a single handed open at Dry Casting this month.

# Dry Casting Results 4 November 2007

| Results for the day | 56 g  | Iram  |        | Artifici | ial Bait |        | 112 gram |       |        | Double Handed Accuracy |    |    |      |      | Single Handed Accuracy |    |    |        |     |       |        |     |        |       |       |       |        |
|---------------------|-------|-------|--------|----------|----------|--------|----------|-------|--------|------------------------|----|----|------|------|------------------------|----|----|--------|-----|-------|--------|-----|--------|-------|-------|-------|--------|
|                     | Cast  | Cast  |        | Cast     | Cast     |        | Cast     | Cast  | 1      |                        |    | Та | rget | Numl | ber                    |    |    |        | Tar | get c | listar | nce | ]      | Day   | Atten | dance | Total  |
| Seniors             | 1 (m) | 2 (m) | Points | 1 (m)    | 2 (m)    | Points | 1 (m)    | 2 (m) | Points | 3                      | 3  | 1  | 1    | 4    | 4                      | 2  | 2  | Points | L   | S     | L      | S   | Points | Total | DC    | GΜ    | Points |
| Peter Pekaar        | 115   | 112   | 23     | 112      | 116      | 23     | 140      | 141   | 28     | 17                     | 5  | 19 | 22   | 11   | 0                      | 19 | 24 | 117    | 0   | 3     | 0      | 0   | 3      | 194   | 10    | 0     | 204    |
| Eric Parker         | 91    | 89    | 18     | 94       | 88       | 18     | 115      | 119   | 23     | 0                      | 22 | 12 | 13   | 16   | 8                      | 15 | 22 | 108    | 0   | 5     | 0      | 6   | 11     | 178   | 10    | 0     | 188    |
| Malcolm Harris      | 94    | 115   | 21     | 97       | 104      | 20     | 146      | 135   | 28     | 9                      | 9  | 17 | 22   | 12   | 11                     | 8  | 0  | 88     | 3   | 7     | 1      | 0   | 11     | 168   | 10    | 0     | 178    |
| Mark Hansen         | 0     | 118   | 12     | 108      | 95       | 20     | 123      | 0     | 12     | 6                      | 14 | 11 | 20   | 0    | 6                      | 12 | 15 | 84     | 0   | 7     | 3      | 0   | 10     | 138   | 10    | 0     | 148    |
| Rhys Jones          | 98    | 116   | 21     | 0        | 0        | 0      | 123      | 116   | 24     | 0                      | 0  | 13 | 20   | 0    | 0                      | 12 | 19 | 64     | 0   | 0     | 0      | 9   | 9      | 118   | 10    | 0     | 128    |
| Greg Keet           | 73    | 20    | 9      | 72       | 78       | 15     | 94       | 102   | 20     | 0                      | 0  | 0  | 7    | 0    | 0                      | 0  | 0  | 7      | 9   | 3     | 0      | 0   | 12     | 63    | 10    | 0     | 73     |
| Greg Walker         | 0     | 0     | 0      | 52       | 0        | 5      | 82       | 84    | 17     | 0                      | 0  | 6  | 0    | 0    | 0                      | 0  | 20 | 26     | 0   | 0     | 0      | 10  | 10     | 58    | 10    | 0     | 68     |
| Veterans            |       |       |        |          |          |        |          |       |        |                        |    |    |      |      |                        |    |    |        |     |       |        |     |        |       |       |       |        |
| George Holman       | 117   | 114   | 23     | 104      | 105      | 21     | 0        | 116   | 12     | 22                     | 12 | 10 | 21   | 19   | 14                     | 20 | 22 | 140    | 9   | 6     | 8      | 10  | 33     | 229   | 10    | 0     | 239    |
| Gary Gildersleeves  | 100   | 0     | 10     | 100      | 88       | 19     | 110      | 0     | 11     | 20                     | 21 | 22 | 20   | 12   | 11                     | 25 | 23 | 154    | 8   | 3     | 9      | 8   | 28     | 222   | 10    | 0     | 232    |
| Allan Jones         | 84    | 94    | 18     | 99       | 86       | 19     | 112      | 102   | 21     | 12                     | 19 | 23 | 22   | 19   | 19                     | 7  | 1  | 122    | 3   | 3     | 7      | 3   | 16     | 196   | 10    | 0     | 206    |
| Terry Fuller        | 78    | 77    | 16     | 83       | 78       | 16     | 91       | 91    | 18     | 13                     | 0  | 20 | 12   | 3    | 12                     | 14 | 22 | 96     | 2   | 9     | 6      | 5   | 22     | 168   | 10    | 0     | 178    |
| lan Cook            | 101   | 120   | 22     | 0        | 0        | 0      | 0        | 0     | 0      | 16                     | 20 | 18 | 13   | 14   | 23                     | 15 | 15 | 134    | 0   | 0     | 8      | 0   | 8      | 164   | 10    | 0     | 174    |
| John Crompton       | 83    | 40    | 12     | 81       | 79       | 16     | 97       | 93    | 19     | 0                      | 2  | 0  | 0    | 0    | 0                      | 10 | 13 | 25     | 0   | 0     | 1      | 0   | 1      | 73    | 10    | 0     | 83     |
| Ladies              |       |       |        |          |          |        |          |       |        |                        |    |    |      |      |                        |    |    |        |     |       |        |     |        |       |       |       |        |
| Vix Alexander       | 0     | 86    | 9      | 72       | 0        | 7      | 90       | 95    | 19     | 9                      | 3  | 20 | 0    | 0    | 11                     | 20 | 4  | 67     | 3   | 0     | 1      | 5   | 9      | 111   | 10    | 0     | 121    |
| Marcia Pekaar       | 63    | 62    | 13     | 63       | 58       | 12     | 71       | 0     | 7      | 6                      | 3  | 0  | 12   | 0    | 0                      | 25 | 12 | 58     | 6   | 9     | 0      | 6   | 21     | 111   | 10    | 0     | 121    |
| Bev Grigo           | 64    | 58    | 12     | 0        | 60       | 6      | 72       | 72    | 14     | 7                      | 0  | 0  | 2    | 0    | 14                     | 18 | 16 | 57     | 4   | 0     | 0      | 2   | 6      | 95    | 10    | 0     | 105    |
| Juniors             |       |       |        |          |          |        |          |       |        |                        |    |    |      |      |                        |    |    |        |     |       |        |     |        |       |       |       |        |
| Andrew Pekaar       | 99    | 0     | 10     | 78       | 81       | 16     | 107      | 115   | 22     | 0                      | 15 | 16 | 16   | 10   | 11                     | 0  | 0  | 68     | 3   | 5     | 0      | 4   | 12     | 128   | 10    | 0     | 138    |
| Holly Walker        | 34    | 35    | 7      | 37       | 38       | 8      | 43       | 41    | 8      | 0                      | 0  | 15 | 0    | 0    | 0                      | 9  | 0  | 24     | 6   | 0     | 0      | 2   | 8      | 55    | 10    | 0     | 65     |
| Mini Juniors        |       |       |        |          |          |        |          |       |        |                        |    |    |      |      |                        |    |    |        |     |       |        |     |        |       |       |       |        |
| Morgan Keet         | 0     | 13    | 1      | 20       | 28       | 5      | 15       | 21    | 4      | 0                      | 0  | 15 | 0    | 0    | 0                      | 0  | 1  | 16     | 0   | 0     | 0      | 0   | 0      | 26    | 10    | 0     | 36     |

Note These scores do not yet include points for attendance at the November General Meeting.

# Dry Casting Winners for 4 November 2007

| Event Seniors            |     | Winner                       | Veteran | s Winner           |
|--------------------------|-----|------------------------------|---------|--------------------|
| 56 gram Score            | 23  | Peter Pekaar                 | 23      | George Holman      |
| 56 gram Distance         | 118 | Mark Hansen                  | 120     | lan Cook           |
| Artificial Bait Score    | 23  | Peter Pekaar                 | 21      | George Holman      |
| Artificial Bait Distance | 116 | Peter Pekaar                 | 105     | George Holman      |
| 112 gram Score           | 28  | Peter Pekaar, Malcolm Harris | 21      | Allan Jones        |
| 112 gram Distance        | 146 | Malcolm Harris               | 116     | George Holman      |
| Double Handed Acc.       | 117 | Peter Pekaar                 | 154     | Gary Gildersleeves |
| Single Handed Acc.       | 12  | Greg Keet                    | 33      | George Holman      |
| Section Highest Points   | 204 | Peter Pekaar                 | 239     | George Holman      |

| Event                    | La  | dies Winner                  | Juniors Winner |               |  |  |  |
|--------------------------|-----|------------------------------|----------------|---------------|--|--|--|
| 56 gram Score            | 13  | Marcia Pekaar                | 10             | Andrew Pekaar |  |  |  |
| 56 gram Distance         | 86  | Vix Alexander                | 99             | Andrew Pekaar |  |  |  |
| Artificial Bait Score    | 12  | Marcia Pekaar                | 16             | Andrew Pekaar |  |  |  |
| Artificial Bait Distance | 72  | Vix Alexander                | 81             | Andrew Pekaar |  |  |  |
| 112 gram Score           | 19  | Vix Alexander                | 22             | Andrew Pekaar |  |  |  |
| 112 gram Distance        | 95  | Vix Alexander                | 115            | Andrew Pekaar |  |  |  |
| Double Handed Acc.       | 67  | Vix Alexander                | 68             | Andrew Pekaar |  |  |  |
| Single Handed Acc.       | 21  | Marcia Pekaar                | 12             | Andrew Pekaar |  |  |  |
| Section Highest Points   | 121 | Vix Alexander, Marcia Pekaar | 138            | Andrew Pekaar |  |  |  |

| Event                    | Mini Ju | niors Winner |
|--------------------------|---------|--------------|
| 56 gram Score            | 1       | Morgan Keet  |
| 56 gram Distance         | 13      | Morgan Keet  |
| Artificial Bait Score    | 5       | Morgan Keet  |
| Artificial Bait Distance | 28      | Morgan Keet  |
| 112 gram Score           | 4       | Morgan Keet  |
| 112 gram Distance        | 21      | Morgan Keet  |
| Double Handed Acc.       | 16      | Morgan Keet  |
| Single Handed Acc.       |         |              |
| Section Highest Points   | 36      | Morgan Keet  |

| Event                    | Overal | l Winner                     | Year's b | est up to November 2007       |
|--------------------------|--------|------------------------------|----------|-------------------------------|
| 56 gram Score            | 23     | Peter Pekaar, George Holman  | 30       | Malcolm Harris                |
| 56 gram Distance         | 120    | lan Cook                     | 154      | Malcolm Harris                |
| Artificial Bait Score    | 23     | Peter Pekaar                 | 29       | Malcolm Harris                |
| Artificial Bait Distance | 116    | Peter Pekaar                 | 146      | Malcolm Harris                |
| 112 gram Score           | 28     | Peter Pekaar, Malcolm Harris | 34       | Malcolm Harris, George Holman |
| 112 gram Distance        | 146    | Malcolm Harris               | 174      | Malcolm Harris, George Holman |
| Double Handed Acc.       | 154    | Gary Gildersleeves           | 161      | Allan Jones                   |
| Single Handed Acc.       | 33     | George Holman                | 35       | George Holman                 |
| Day's High Points        | 239    | George Holman                | 281      | Gary Gildersleeves            |

Note These scores do not yet include points for attendance at the November General Meeting.

# Dry Casting Top Ten for 2007/8

Total scores up to and including November casting and now including General Meeting attendance up to October (E and OE.). Only the best 11 months out of 12 will count at the end of the competition year.

| 1 | George Holman  | 1776 | 6  | Vix Alexander | 1187 |
|---|----------------|------|----|---------------|------|
| 2 | Allan Jones    | 1557 | 7  | Mark Hansen   | 1133 |
| 3 | Malcolm Head   | 1432 | 8  | Andrew Pekaar | 1113 |
| 4 | Malcolm Harris | 1402 | 9  | Eric Parker   | 1094 |
| 5 | Peter Pekaar   | 1295 | 10 | John Crompton | 1027 |

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# November Dry Casting Report

**WOMAN SCORES BULL'S EYE AT DRY CASTING** *Husband does dishes for THREE days!! "Rubbish" I hear you say, but I assure you it's ALL true.* Not only that, but she won the women's single handed event, recording her personal best, nearly scoring another bull's eye. She top scored in 56g and art bait then equaled the ladies' top score of the day. Who is this woman? Our Reel Talk Editor, Marcia Pekaar, of course.

Bull's eyes were also scored by George Holman, Greg Walker, and Gary Gildersleeves. Gary's return to dry casting after a three-month absence was notable also for his 154 points in double handed accuracy and he was the second highest scorer in single handed accuracy.

New comers to casting were, Greg and young Morgan Keet. Greg broke the 100m mark and won the Seniors single handed accuracy on his first day. Well done, Greg. His son, Morgan, seems to have plenty of ability and really enjoyed himself. Let's hope they both become regulars at dry casting.

As I have mentioned before in previous Reel Talks about the strong easterly winds at dry casting, they sure made their presence felt in November. Most casters had their distances held back, which in turn affected individual total scores.

Despite the windy conditions, Ian Cook got the longest cast in 56g with 120m then experienced accuracy problems whilst experimenting with a new casting style in art bait and 112g. Returning to a conventional style while practising after the official events, he potentially produced his personal best.

Peter Pekaar managed 116m in art bait and Mal Harris had the longest cast of the day with 146m in 112g. George Holman got the highest point score with 33 in single handed accuracy.

#### Special Mention

Trevor Stam has been absent from casting for a while due to a shoulder injury. He phoned me on Monday to tell me he'd come out of hospital on Saturday, 17 November following successful surgery and he hopes to be casting again in the near future. In his absence, he has in fact been very busy and managed to track down the pink tubing we use for casting. He has made up 75 lengths, all complete with wire inserts to keep them straight, and they are now available at dry casting. Trevor has kindly donated this to the Club and does not want anything for them; he just wants to help our Club. Thanks Trevor.

#### Section Winners

| Seniors: | Peter Pekaar                  | 204 pts | Veterans:     | George Holman | 239 pts |
|----------|-------------------------------|---------|---------------|---------------|---------|
| Juniors: | Andrew Pekaar                 | 138 pts | Mini Juniors: | Morgan Keet   | 36 pts  |
| Ladies:  | Vix Alexander & Marcia Pekaar |         | 121 pts       |               |         |

I would like to extend my sincere thanks to all members who make the effort to come down early to help set up. Thanks also go to Peter Stoeckel who gives up his time to come down especially to organise the barbecue and drinks for the hungry competitors. Each month, could we please have a volunteer to put out the flags and caution tape. It would help the smooth running of the day if members could pay their fees and have their names noted as soon as they arrive, prior to setting up their rods. Please see Marcia promptly.

December Dry Casting

Men: Vets, Ladies Juniors: Distance First; Accuracy Second Accuracy First; Distance Second

> Peter Pekaar Dry Casting Officer

# CERVANTES FIELD DAY REPORT - 15 & 16 NOVEMBER 2007

How can I describe this weekend? Can it get better or can it get worse?

The weekend started off very early on Saturday morning, getting every last thing packed and strapping the necessary weaponry to the roof. At Bullsbrook we met up with some friends and continued on a very slow journey, caused by numerous road delays, to the sign on spot at the Hill river mouth parking area.

It was with great enthusiasm that we signed on as a group of 18 people and by 11h30 we were on our way to our fishing spots. With great weather conditions we arrived on the beach and found that the seaweed that had plagued us the previous time had substantially cleared away.

We decided to move across the river mouth to a spot that we had fished the previous year. In hindsight it proved to be a big mistake. Very soon after crossing the mouth our friends ran into trouble with their vehicle, which would not engage into 4 wheel drive causing it to get bogged down rather badly into very soft sand. Luckily we had the old trusted Hilux around as well as some very helpful hands of some Surfcasters fishing close by. Great thanks to Peter Osborne who helped out with some very good recovery gear. So after a lengthy struggle we finally got to hard ground and landed up at a fishing spot that proved to be as dead and unproductive as you can get. Well we said to ourselves, it could only get better... did it? No, nothing to speak of. Well we said to ourselves, tonight we will get into some fish ... did we? By 11pm we realized that it was just going to be one of those weekends and that there was nothing that we could do to change it. So off we went to bed and boy what a great feeling it was when those weary and tired bodies hit the sack.

Sunday morning arrived as a very overcast day with some drizzle during the morning. It was very obvious that the fishing in certain areas was more productive than in other areas. The spot that I wanted to fish proved to be a hot spot with Morris Koleman and Peter Osborne weighing in reasonable bags of fish caught right next to it.

At the weigh in I was amazed to see the wide range of species that had been caught. No less that 7 species plus a shark. The prize for the heaviest scale fish went to Malcolm Harris with a Tailor of 0.52 kg. Well-done Malcolm. After a quick calculation I originally awarded Morris with the heaviest bag of scale fish but after a proper calculation it was clear that Peter Osborne had the best bag. Sorry Morris and congratulations to Peter. Peter also took the prize for the best shark. With all its downs it was still a very good and memorable weekend.

Please also note the following:

Members have shown a good interest in our 2 Rottnest Field days for 2008 and with available spots running out fast, I would encourage members who want to reserve a booking to pay their \$50 deposit ASAP. Remember first come, first serve. Here are the already booked and paid for dates. 16/17/18 May 2008 and 15/16/17 August 2008. The total cost will be approximately \$150 p/p per weekend.

Our next 2 Field days are Yanchep to Seabird on the weekend of 15/16 December 2007 and our Local Field day on 12/13 January 2008. Yes, this year is running out fast and who can believe Xmas is just around the corner. I would like to make use of this opportunity to wish you all a Merry Xmas and a Prosperous New Year.

Tight Lines Peet Wessels Field Day Officer

# THE CERVANTES STORY

## Field Day 17 November 2007

## By: Marcia Pekaar

The fish were biting two by two hurrah, hurrah ...

At least that's how it started once I finally got going. My first two hook ups were double headers then I went back to singles. As usual, I only managed to jag herring, but Peter and Andrew complemented their catch with tailor, flathead and a pike. Poor Andrew, whilst keen to do the right thing, threw back a 27cm bream, believing it was too small, only to be assured at the weigh in by more senior fisherpersons, that in fact he could have legally kept it!!

Actually I did hook up a whiting, but it was so small I believed it to be my bait returning until Andrew offered to unhook it and return it to the ocean.

Our day began with Pete & my alarm sounding at 5.30am. Having already packed the van, all we had to do was have our breakfast and head out to collect Andrew. He tells us he was up and getting ready at 6am. We reversed out of his place at Caversham at about 7.50am, almost our scheduled time of departure. Our other fisherman, Stevie, chose the computer over fishing, even though he had seemed keen to come with us when we spoke during the week. Oh well, his loss, we had a great time.

The trip up was only marred a little by the huge machinery being transported by road. We all had to stay behind oversized loads for part of the way, but on the whole it was a smooth run.

On the Saturday, we stopped around 5pm for a snack and a drink. We got back into it, but I retired, dejected, at 6.50pm. The wind was howling and casting was proving difficult. One of our pegs got blown over which meant the tarpaulin was struggling to hold up using the remaining two poles.

We were in bed that night around 8.30pm. Pete decided to try sleeping under the tarpaulin without the tent. I agreed to this, but it was very windy and cold. At least it didn't rain, but we won't be making a habit of this sleeping arrangement; especially when we do in fact have a perfectly good tent. Following a bowl of cereal and a coffee in the morning, we ventured down to the beach again around 7am. I was very tired and after catching one more herring I returned to the car and read my book and had another nap.

Bev Grigo and her son, Greg, joined us in the morning. Bev seemed to be providing the burley for Greg and sadly she only managed to hook up blowies. They tell us this is unusual for Bev who, under normal circumstances, is quite the fisherwoman.

Among the other members present were Peter Osborne and a new member, Mike. Mike came along with John Crompton, but I think he forgot his sunscreen as he was looking quite burnt when we all met up at the weigh in.

When Pete, Andrew & I left the beach, we headed straight to the Cataby service station. We refuelled and when Pete tried to turn over the engine, it appeared that the battery was flat. Arrgghhh. No matter, there were some trail bike riders handy and willing to give us a push and we were on our way. Next stop, Caversham to drop off Andrew and fillet our catch. Andrew's mother and I shared a glass of wine whilst the fishermen set to work with the filleting process. Then it was time for us to leave. Oh dear, battery trouble again. Andrew and I pushed the car to get it started then Pete and I were on our way home.

Getting into the shower was a welcome treat. With my 13 fish and Peter's 25, we had grilled fish for tea Sunday, Monday and Tuesday nights, and finished with a herring mornay on Wednesday night before heading off to the committee meeting.

Now we're looking forward to next month's field day.

I would like to send a special thank you to Raymond Stockton at the Bureau of Meteorology. I contact him by email each time we head to Cervantes for a weather update and once again he promised and delivered mild temperatures.

Marcia Pekaar Reel Talk Editor

## DRY CASTING CHAMPIONSHIPS RESULTS

If you would like a copy of the results of the Championships held on 28 October, please contact Marcia by phone or email. I will be happy to email you a copy or print a hard copy to give you.

## Marcia Pekaar

# 'One of Those Days'!

#### Cervantes Trip. Nov. 07.

It's been said that some people have all the luck in fishing...well for me, the recent Cervantes trip puts me in the "unlucky" lot.

To start with, we, my wife Claudine and myself were supposed to have a keen fisho friend to come along as a guest. But our friend had heart problem the night before we were supposed to go, and so we decided that our friend should not come ...just in case!.

We had planned to leave early on Friday morning (to have more time fishing) but when I opened my email at 7.30am, there were tons of urgent questions from potential customers, so, I had to spend time replying. Finally, we managed to leave at about 11.30 am instead of 8 am as planned.

After driving for 10 minutes...oh NO! we forgot my camera!. Never mind, my wife brought her camera, we thought. Finally, when we reached Cervantes, we decided to do the tourist thing...we went to the end of the road to the car park by the beach. We posed and got a passer-by to prepare to take a photo of us with my wife's camera. Oh NO, the camera wasn't charged...flat batteries!. NO photos!.

Then, we went to the Visitors' Centre to ask about the weather etc. But when I told the lady there that I was going to camp overnight near Hill River (thinking that it's a good thing to tell someone where you are)...she said "NO Camping allowed!". I just shut my mouth and changed the subject.

We finally made it to the car park to let my tires down...Oh NO! ...no tire gauge. Never mind...I'll estimate. I drove to the location and just before the final location of our choice...I got bogged down only 3m from the camp site, in sand!. It was 3.30pm, so, poor me, I spent the next hour 'digging' myself out. NO fun...tiring and dirty. Back ache immediately followed. After that we set camp and did all the preparation for the night.

I tried fishing for about an hour...NO luck. Never mind, I've got a good chicken curry to warm up for dinner....NO fish for sashimi!. That night at about 12 midnight, we were having drinks and chatting with the lights burning brightly. Then suddenly on the opposite side of the river bank, we saw a 4 wheel drive going by...I quickly cut off the light and crawled into our tent...pretending to sleep as we monitored the vehicle drove round the end of the river mouth. It then came over to our side and we were already preparing to answer to the "Ranger" as we thought the guy was. The driver then stopped a few metres to the left of our tent and we're sure he's coming over. We couldn't see him but we heard the door of the vehicle opening. We started to sweat!. Then, he closed the door and drove off!. Phew! We still don't know who he was or what he was doing at that time of the night but we rather don't want to know.

Next morning, after brekky, I looked at my 4wheel drive and noticed that one of the tire was flat! NO air! Never mind, I've got a tire pump. I used it but it did NOT work!. Never mind, the troops are coming, I'm sure I could borrow one. Tried fishing...again NO fish!.

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When everyone came, I went over (200m walk through the sand) to Peet and asked for an Air Pump...he loaned me one but when I reached my car, I read the instruction on the box...it says...do NOT use to pump tires with this!. It's an air pump alright...just for mattress and balloons!. So, another 200m walk but luckily, Peet has a tire pump to lend me. I reached my car again and wanted to start it so as b use the pump...alas!...the car battery was FLAT!. So, walk 200m again to tell Peet that I can't do a thing till I get someone to jump start. Peet does not have a jump cable....luckily Malcom had. So, I tried to fish...again NO fish!.

Sunday morning...got up early to fish...had a Tailor hit...but my tackle gave way...NO fish!. Then on the last cast...the line was heavy...good... but it was a sting ray and a big one too. So big that I had to let it go because I was alone with NO gaff and a light line. So, NO fish again!.

It was then time to have brekky...it started to rain!. Tent was wet, table wet, chair wet and sand sticks to everything that's wet!. Finally after packing up...the rain stopped!. So, I gave up fishing as everything was packed, so, we went for a morning walk to say 'Hello' to all the neighbours.

Malcom came over to jump start and Mark Hanson help to speed up the pumping of the flat tire. We drove to the weighing point and finally had to get some "hand me down" fishes from Morris Kolman. I had to bring some fish home because we had overseas visitors who wanted to see fish! since they knew I went fishing.

All it all we had a good time but the next morning...I look at my car and realized that I again had a flat tire...there was a big nail in it. NO fun!.

So, this trip is just **one of those days!** 

Written by Melvin Wee Cervantes Trip, 16<sup>th</sup> to 18<sup>th</sup> Nov. 2007

A farmer is wondering how many sheep he has in his field, so he asks his sheepdog to count them. The dog runs into the field, counts them, and then runs back to his master.

"So", says the farmer "how many sheep were there?"

"40", replies the dog.

"How can there be 40?" exclaims the farmer "I only bought 38!"

"I know", says the dog, "but I rounded them up".

# Kalbarri House For Rent

The Club has a house in Kalbarri. The house is situated close to the river, beaches and town. It has two bedrooms and will sleep up to eight (max) in 1 double bed and 3 bunks, has reverse cycle air conditioning and ceiling fans to keep you cool in the summer months. 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, fridge and freezer. It does not have a washing machine, but there is a laundromat in town. Outside has a fish cleaning facility and a full width verandah. Rates are:-

| Public:-       | Off season | \$250 per week     | On season                | \$390 per week } all plus \$50             |
|----------------|------------|--------------------|--------------------------|--|
| Club Members:- | Off season | \$160 per week     | On Season                | \$210 per week } deposit / bond            |
| Club Members:- | Short term | \$45 for one night | \$40 per night<br>nights | for two or more plus \$55.00<br>} cleaning |

Bookings taken for the school holidays go from Saturday to Saturday (leaving by 10am). Outside of school holidays it does not matter. The club has decided that cleaning will need to be paid for and is \$55.00 extra on the rates above for future new bookings. The club is now being charged GST on the cleaning.

Contact Property Officer Vix Alexander for more details and for bookings.

Check in time is 1pm. Check out time is 10am. Keys can be picked up from Ray White, Shop 1, Kalbarri Arcade. If people arrive after hours, they leave a note on the door of their office with a map of how to get to the house and telling them where the key will be.

If any work needs to be done in, on or around the house, please contact the Property Officer for approval. Members who are staying in the house are not allowed to authorize any repairs or services on the house without authority from the Property Officer, Treasurer or President.

## Vix Alexander, Property Officer

The judge says to a double-homicide defendant, "You're charged with beating your wife to death with a hammer.

A voice at the back of the courtroom yells out, "You bastard." The judge says, "You're also charged with beating your mother-in-law to death with a hammer. The voice in the back of the courtroom yells out, "You bastard." The judge stops and says to the guy in the back of the courtroom, "Sir, I can understand your anger and frustration at this crime. But no more outbursts from you or I'll charge you with contempt. Is that understood."

The guy in the back of the court stands up and says,"I'm sorry, Your Honor, but for fifteen years, I've lived next door to that bastard and every time I asked to borrow a hammer, he said he didn't have one."

# Recfishwest Report for AAA Delegates Meeting 20 November 2007

(An Except from Terry Fuller's AAA Report)

#### Free Recfishwest membership for some AAA club members

Nominate yourself or a club member for one of the <u>**10 FREE**</u> memberships of Recfishwest, to be decided by AAAWA.

The Recfishwest AGM changed the fee structure for Associations like AAAWA from a flat fee of \$275 to \$75.00 GST inclusive plus minimum of 10 additional names and membership fee at \$200.00 (No net change to overall fee).

This allows AAAWA to supply 10 individuals' names to become RFW members at no cost to them.

Please send name, address, age, telephone and email address to AAAWA Secretary before Friday 8 December, and include their written permission if nominating someone else.

#### Young Future Leaders in Recreational Fishing

One of the key challenges for recreational groups such as Recfishwest is to ensure that younger people are able to make a contribution to ensuring that fishing quality in Western Australia is maintained.

Recfishwest has announced a Young Future Leaders in Recreational Fishing Program to be run at the Abrolhos Islands in March 2008.

The 'Western Australian Young Future Leaders in Recreational Fishing' project will bring together recreational fishers who are aged under 35 who want to make a real difference. The selected participants will be educated and mentored by a group of recognised leaders in recreational fishing advocacy and management. This project will help to ensure that there is a trained group of people able to assist in the future management and leadership of recreational fishing. It complements a national program which was recently run in Darwin. More details and application form

http://www.recfishwest.org.au/MediaStateYoungFutureLeaders.htm

#### Part of Geographe Bay to be closed to some commercial fishing

Fisheries Minister Jon Ford has announced his decision on sharing of fish resources near Busselton and the removal of commercial shoreline fishing. From July 1, 2009, there will be a permanent closure of Geographe Bay between Cape Naturaliste and Port Geographe to salmon fishing and beach seine fishing and before that there will be time closures during holiday periods.

Commercial salmon fishing will be prohibited in this area of Geographe Bay on public holidays and long weekends, from Friday to Monday during Easter and between noon Friday and noon on Sunday for weekends during the April school holidays.

The Minister said "This new initiative, combined with my recent decision to implement a new management plan for the West Coast Demersal Scalefish Fishery and the significant adjustments I have made to Zone 1 of the Joint Authority Southern Demersal Gillnet and Longline (shark) Managed Fishery, will address resource-sharing conflicts in the Geographe Bay area." Adjustments in the shark fishery include an overall effort reduction of 30 per cent, with some gillnet and longline licensees experiencing individual reductions of greater than 60 per cent and a two-month pupping closure to prohibit fishing in the area from mid-August to mid-October. See <a href="http://www.recfishwest.org.au/SubGeoBayCommercialClosure.htm">http://www.recfishwest.org.au/SubGeoBayCommercialClosure.htm</a>