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CLUB ETIQUETTE

MEETINGS The monthly GENERAL MEETING is usually held on the SECOND WEDNESDAY of each month at 8pm. All members should endeavour to attend the meetings to keep up with club matters.

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

FIELD DAYS These normally follow each general meeting on the ensuing weekend. It is compulsory for anglers to attend both the sign-on and the weigh-in. Anglers who cannot attend the sign on for work or other unavoidable reasons may make prior arrangements for a late sign-on. However only under very exceptional circumstances will failure to attend weigh-ins not be penalised with the loss of points acquired during that field day. It is the Field Day Officers duty to inform the Committee of any anglers who fail to attend the weigh-in. It is the Committees duty to decide what action is to be taken. Disputes may be taken to the Committee. Entries for Game Fish Badges, Club Records and Open Fishing Competitions must be lodged with the Recorder within 30 days of capture.

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

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

FEBRUARY GENERAL MEETING

WHERE: M.Y.A.S.G. Club Room at the Inglewood Aquatic Centre
Alexander Drive, Menora
WHEN: WEDNESDAY 14th FEBRUARY 1996 at 8:00pm
INSTRUCTION: DISCUSSION ON NEW FIELD DAY LOCATIONS

FEBRUARY CASTING

WHERE: Yokine Reserve, corner of Alexander Drive and Wordsworth Avenue
WHEN: SUNDAY 4TH FEBRUARY 1996 at 8:30am
EVENTS: 112 gram level line D/H Accuracy
Artificial Bait S/H Accuracy
Single handed Open

NEXT FIELD DAY

WHERE: WEDGE ISLAND
WHEN: 16TH - 17TH FEBRUARY 1996
SIGN-ON: SATURDAY 1PM
Lancelin Hotel Carpark
WEIGH-IN: SUNDAY 10AM
Lancelin Hotel Carpark
BOUNDARIES: SOUTHERN - Lancelin Jetty
NORTHERN - Wedge Island



FOLLOWING FIELD DAY

WHERE: BLUFF CREEK
WHEN: 2nd-4th (LWE) MARCH 1996
SIGN ON: SATURDAY 1PM BLUFF CREEK
WEIGH IN: (1) Sunday 12 Noon - Bluff Creek (and BBQ)
(2) MONDAY 10am - Bluff Creek
BOUNDARIES: SOUTHERN - Bluff Creek Beach
NORTHERN - Bluff Creek Beach



*****see Map and further details this issue*****

LOCAL FIELD DAY FOR FEBRUARY

WHEN: 16th - 17th FEBRUARY 1996
SIGN-ON: Phone in sign-on to F.D.O. by 8:00pm on the Thursday night
LINES DOWN: SATURDAY 1:00pm
WEIGH-IN: SUNDAY by 10:00am at G. Holman's house. Scales will be available on his back patio. **WEIGHTS MUST BE WITNESSED BY AN ADULT.** F.D. Money to be left with the scales in an envelope with name. Results to be phoned into the F.D. officer by 8:00pm that night.
BOUNDARIES: North Mole to Ocean Reef

LOCAL FIELD DAY FOR MARCH

WHEN: 3rd - 5th (LWE) MARCH 1996
SIGN ON: Phone in sign on to the Field Day Officer by 8pm on the Thursday night.
LINES DOWN: SATURDAY 3RD AT 1PM
WEIGH IN: MONDAY 10AM AT G. Holman's House. Scales will be available on the back patio. **WEIGHTS MUST BE WITNESSED BY AN ADULT.** F.D. Money to be left with the scales in an envelope with name. Results to be phoned into the PRESIDENT by 8pm that night. (F.D.O. to Esperance)

ESTABLISHED FISHING ZONES FOR BALANCE 1995 - 1996

1995 1996
1995 1996
1995 1996

ON TO ESPERANCE AFTER THE BLUFF CREEK
OR IAN MASCARENHAS *****



EDITORIAL

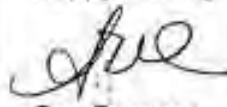
Well, we started the new year with a trip down to Doubtful Bay, just east of Bremer Bay. The water was aqua blue, clear and absolutely freezing. We were with a group of boaties and as they had chosen the location it wasn't exactly great for shore fishing. We did manage to get heaps of squid though and they were the biggest that I've ever seen. The average size was 30cm and I can assure you all that they are better eaten than used as bait! We did some exploring around the tracks and for anyone who is ever down that way there is a great fishing spot at Peppermint Beach.

After a week back at work, we were then off to Kalbarri for a week's stay at the Clubhouse. The new sliding door was great as we could open it up along with the front door and get a great breeze through the house. The back verandah has increased the living space and is a nice cool spot to sit of an evening. The temperature was in the 40's every day and there was not many fish being caught. We took a drive to Port Gregory and spent the day fishing. My first cast landed a nice sized yellow finned whiting and on a ganged mulie! Not long after this was followed by a chopper Tailor. Surely this was to be a sign of things to come! Rom by this time was landing Dart thick and fast so it was a quick change of hooks to keep up. The Dart were so prolific that we could see a school in every wave. White bait drove them mad! It was great for the party we were with, as with most not having really fished before, they all managed to land at least one fish. Our species count by the end of the day was six (never happens on a field day) with one fish yet to be identified. We went through both our northern and southern species book and have not found anything close so have taken a photo for our

trusty recorder Ian Mascarenhas to identify.

The Hardies really looked after us while we were there and Margaret has a new job as the "Pelican Lady" - she's taking her turn at feeding the Pelicans for the tourists. They gave us a great send off the night before we left, the catering involved took a great deal of effort. A big thanks to the Hardy family!

Happy Fishing



Sue Brennan
Editor



WANTED

Stories for the Reel Talk.

How about writing a story for the Reel Talk - It's your magazine - what do you like to read about ?

Once again we would like to thank "Fleets" Morley and "Joe's Tackle" Mt Lawley for their kind donation of tackle for the best Reel Talk entry.

Last month's winners were.

MAL HEAD for his Kalbarri Report and DAVE ANTICICH for his world of mulloway

You've got to be in it to win it !

scoop scoop scoop

White Anting is becoming a revived art among the members. For this reason we have set up "W.A.N.K" White Anting No Kind.

King skippy displayed his overhead reel experience by catching the bag limit of tailor in a matter of a dozen casts during the Mandurah 500 weekend.

Who was the fisho who lost some borrowed gear over the cliff of Steep point and nearly went over with it ??

MANDURAH 500

IT WAS A WINDY JANUARY MORNING AND NOT A MULLOWAY WAS STIRRING. AS WE SET A COURSE FOR MANDURAH. OUR MERRY BAND CONSISTING OF DAVE ANTICICH, BERNARD PRICE, MARK PHILPOT, DARRYL HOLTON, MORRIS KOLMAN.

WE ARRIVED AT THE SIGN ON TO SEE OTHER MEMBERS OF OUR CLUB LINING UP TO ENTER THE MANDURAH 500. WE HAD A CHAT, PAID OUR DUES AND SET OFF TO HAPPY HUNTING GROUNDS.

ON ARRIVAL WE MET UP WITH SUE & ROM, AND BEGAN OUR QUEST. THE TAILOR WERE ON THE BITE BUT THE SIZE WAS NOTHING OUTSTANDING. I HAD MY BAG LIMIT OF TAILOR WITHIN NO TIME, SO HAD MOST OF OUR MERRY BAND.

WHITE ANTING WAS A PLENTIFUL JUST ASK SUE WHO THROUGH TEDDY OUT OF THE PRAM AND SAT IN THE CAR AND SMOKED. AS NIGHT FELL MYSELF & ROM TRIED OUR LUCK, ROM RETIRED AFTER AN HOUR OR SO BUT I SOLDIERED ON. I FISHED NEAR ALL NIGHT FOR 1 SKIPPY WHICH TOOK A STRIP OF TAILOR ON A SET OF 9/0 HOOKS.

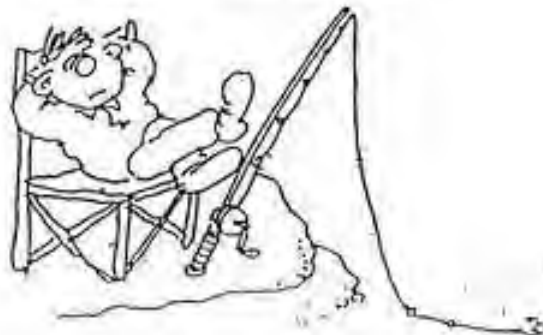
THE MORNING FISHING FAILED TO IMPRESS SO WE PACKED UP AND HEADED FOR THE WEIGH IN. AFTER SOMETIME I WAS CONVINCED INTO WEIGHING IN THE SKIPPY THAT I CAUGHT. TO MY SUPRISE THE SKIPPY WEIGHING A HEFTY 650GRM WON THE SKIPPY SECTION.

TONY DALONZO WON THE SHARK SECTION WITH A HAMMERHEAD WEIGHING OVER 14KG HE ALSO WON THE BREAM SECTION OF THE COMPETITION WEIGHT UNKNOWN. FOR HIS EFFORTS HE WON A ROD AND TACKLE BOX. WELL DONE, TONY.

FOR MY EFFORT IN THIS COMPETITION I RECEIVED AN ALUMINUM SEAT AND ROD HOLDER IN ONE (SPEAR OF DESTINY). ANY ONE WISHING TO GET HIS HANDS ON THIS PRIZE GARDEN ORNAMENT PLEASE CONTACT ME. (WOULDN'T BE SELLING IT IF I WASN'T GOING OVER SEAS)

FOR ALL YOU PEOPLE WHO DIDN'T WIN PRIZES, YOU DID BETTER THAN YOU THOUGHT.

DAVE.



FIELD DAY RESULTS

VENUE: MANDURAH 500 - MANDURAH 13TH-14TH JANUARY 1996

ATTENDANCE SENIORS 18 JUNIORS 1 M/JUNIORS 1 VISITORS 2

TOTAL ATTENDANCE 22

TOTAL FISH WEIGHT 61.75 KGS

SENIORS

NAME	POINTS	WEIGHT	NAME	POINTS	WEIGHT
Tony Dalonzo	218	17.8	Sid Whiting	65	1.35
Alan Brayne	118	5.8	Darren Lockhart (V)	57	0.75
George Holman	116	3.6	Hans Wytenburg	55	2.55
Phil Brayne	115	5.5	Mal Head	40	0.00
Morris Kolman	114	3.4	Beth Whiting	30	0.00
Jeff Sullivan	100	4.0	Rom Niciejewski	30	0.00
Murray Shaw	98	4.8	Sue Brennan	30	0.00
Ian Mascarenhas	95	3.5	David Anticich	30	0.00
Mark Philpot	95	3.5	Bernard Price (V)	30	0.00
Darryl Halton	91	3.1			
Dave Maxted	77	1.75			

JUNIORS

Debbie Whiting 42 0.25

MINI JUNIORS

Darren Whiting 30 0.00

FIELD DAY PRIZESHEAVIEST SHARK

Tony Dalonzo 11.8kg Hammerhead Shark

HEAVIEST SCALE FISH

George Holman 0.43 Tailor

HEAVIEST BAG OF SCALE FISH

Alan Brayne 5.8kg Mixed

MYSTERY PRIZE

NONE Flathead

SPORTSMAN OF THE YEAR POINTSHEAVIEST SHARK

Tony Dalonzo 11.8kg Hammerhead Shark

HEAVIEST SCALE FISH

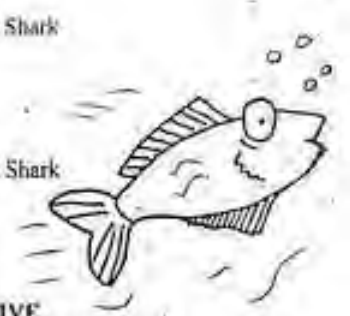
George Holman 0.43kg Tailor

HEAVIEST BAG OF SCALE FISH

Tony Dalonzo 6.08kg mixed

HEAVIEST BAG OF FISH

Tony Dalonzo 17.8kg mixed

SENIOR TOP TEN

Tony Dalonzo	2305
Alan Brayne	1018
George Holman	900
Phil Brayne	826
Darryl Halton	819
Hans Wytenburg	763
Morris Kolman	725
Ian Mascarenas	691
John Bennett	586
Murray Shaw	492

JUNIOR TOP FIVE

Stephen Pilton	227
Brett Taggart	138
Grant Taggart	137
Debbie Whiting	112
Bill Scibilis	108

M/JUNIOR TOP FIVE

Darren Whiting	166
David Platt	142
Karl Wytenburg	20
Tanya Niciejewski	10
Craig Niciejewski	10

FIELD DAY COMPETITION 1995-1996AS AT JANUARY 1996

1. HEAVIEST SCALE FISH (1ST SIX MONTHS)	T.DALONZO	MULLOWAY	6.55KG
2. HEAVIEST SCALE FISH (2ND SIX MONTHS)	D.MAXTED	TAILOR	0.77KG
3. MOST MERITORIOUS FISH			
4. HEAVIEST SHARK (4.5KG MIN)	T.DALONZO	H/HEAD	11.8KG
5. HEAVIEST MULLOWAY (1.0KG MIN)	T.DALONZO	MULLOWAY	6.55KG
6. HEAVIEST TAILOR (1.0KG MIN)	S.WHITING	TAILOR	4.55KG
7. HEAVIEST SALMON (3KG MIN)	T.DALONZO	SALMON	4.45KG
8. HEAVIEST TREVALLY (0.5KG MIN)	I.TAGGART	TREVALLY	1.2KG
9. HEAVIEST MACKEREL			
10. HEAVIEST BAG OF SCALE FISH	T.DALONZO	MIXED	51.1KG
11. HEAVIEST BAG OF MULLOWAY	T.DALONZO	MULLOWAY	6.55KG
12. HEAVIEST BAG OF TAILOR	P.BOOTH	TAILOR	8.0KG
13. HEAVIEST FISH ON S H ROD 4kg or 9lb line b/s (max)			
14. HEAVIEST SCALE FISH OTHER THAN SECTIONS 3-9,13 (2KG MIN)	T.DALONZO	PIKE	3.58KG


Instruction Period - for March 1996.

The March instruction period will be a **factory**, as the club has arranged for Chris Scoble (the local lure manufacturer) to come along and give us a talk on Lures. Talks will entail on the manufacturing, the different types and of each particular designs. He will undertake and explain the various colours and their benefits and also talk about poppers and deep diving lures. His lures are sold under the trade name of "Scoob" and are sold in many tackle outlets throughout the state. Some members of the club caught a good number of tailor and mackerel with these at Steep Point last year and they cast extremely well.

You will learn a lot and Chris will only be too happy to answer any questions you might have. An informative night not to be missed and hopefully he may bring his "New" lures that are coming on to the market.

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**S.C.A.C Recorders Report.
FEB. 1996.**

Hello Fisho's.

I do believe a few of you have been away fishing over the holidays. However there have been no entries submitted for either the open or the club records, oops sorry, there has been one from John Bennett for a Rainbow Trout. I am aware that Phil(anderer) Brayne was away at Kalbarri and managed to snare a Long nose Grey Shark. Albeit he did not take the time to weigh, measure or record any details, this was an eligible entry for the records !! Once again please make an effort, entry forms are always available at the meetings and the Field Days.

To further assist you with correct conversion from the Imperial System to the Metric System I have included a Conversion Chart for your reference, also there is a Common Fish Identification Chart.

For those of you who are still chasing 'The Elusive MULLOWAY here are a few tips that I have managed to glean from other fisho's.

Moon phases are important, the first and last quarter are prime times. However some big Mulloway have been taken on the Full Moon!

Rising tides dusk and dawn are worth fishing and murky water.

The best locations are gutters along sandy surf beaches, along onshore reefs, around groynes, sea walls and the lower reaches of estuaries and rivers. Sandy stirred up or murky water are also good locations. Remember that Mulloway are adept in all these conditions. Bait Mullies, Mullet (whole or strip), and Tailor fillets for shore-based anglers. Do not strike on the first pick up, wait for the Mulloway to sample, taste, and swallow the bait. By that time it has hooked itself. Play the fish and bring it in. Hope to see "DOC" Halton and Desperate Rom with a Mulloway soon.

The WA record for a Mulloway was a fish of 33.1 kg caught from Reef Beach in 1977. The National Record is held by Robert Schoenfisch 42.5 kg caught at Port Elliot S.A. in May 1995.

The world record for the species is a 75 kg caught by spearfishing in South Africa.

Tight lines and good fishing.

IAN MASCARENHAS

S.C.A.C

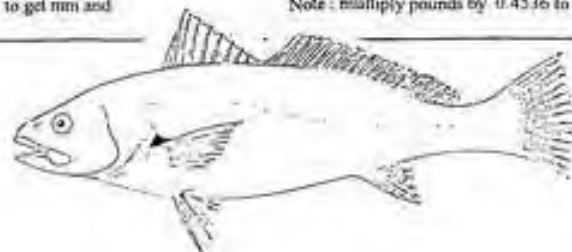
USEFUL CONVERSION GUIDE



INCH	MM	CM	POUNDS	KGS.
1	25.40	2.540	1	0.4536
2	50.80	5.080	2	0.9071
3	76.20	7.620	3	1.3607
4	101.60	10.160	4	1.8143
5	127.00	12.700	5	2.2679
10	254.00	25.400	10	4.5359
20	508.00	50.800	20	9.0718
30	762.00	76.200	30	13.6077
40	1016.00	101.600	40	18.1436
50	1270.00	127.000	50	22.6796

Note: multiply inches by 25.4 to get mm and 2.54 to get cm

Note: multiply pounds by 0.4536 to get kgs



Drycasting Report by Hans Wytenberg.

Hi , to all the Surfcasters and a big welcome to another month and better still , to another year. The numbers were a little down in attendance at the January drycast at Yokine Oval , but that was expected as most of the members were away enjoying their festive holidays. I hope all went well, as nothing is more invigorating as your yearly vacation.

Back to our Drycasting and the Senior winner of the day was Gary Gildersteeve, Well done Gary !

The Vets winner was Don Batchelor who is making quite an impression in this section.

As you all are aware the attendance in drycasting is slipping and I would like to know and receive some feedback from members, in why you do not come down to our monthly drycasting. Whether it is the day, time, or you just feel silly casting on a green oval and not an aqua blue ocean , either way , I would still like to know your thoughts.

Reasons and some benefits why we Drycast:

- 1/ Improving your swing and casting action.
 - 2/ Being able to place your bait in the specific area (hole) where the fish could be on the day. Total accuracy.
 - 3/ Knowledge and the testing of your fishing equipment's capabilities . Do's and the Dont's.
 - 4/ Gaining more experience from other members who are established casters.
- This is just a small synopsis in why drycasting could better your fishing skills.
New! New! New!

It has been suggested and decided upon, that we are going to hold a " night drycasting session ". The time and date will be confirmed at the next meeting. This will also coincide and involve in a social Bar B Qwith an emphasis on fun and enjoyment.

On Sunday the 4th of Feb 1996, an open morning will be held from 11.00 a.m, so please bring down your rods and reels as we have tutors on the ready and waiting to assist you with any problems you may have in casting.

**RED'S TIPS**

Touch up those tired looking lures with paint available from the
A.B.C. Hobby Shop in Murray Street.
Metallic Red paint no RC 64 E Pactra
Metal Flake Gold paint no 70 Pactra

January Dry Casting Results 1996

SENIORS	112 Gram			56 Gram Art/Bait			Dble/Hnd Accuracy	Srn/Hand Accuracy	DAY TOTAL
	Cast--1	Cast--2	TOTAL	Cast--1	Cast--2	TOTAL			
G.Reely	131	133	26	113	113	23	55	24	128
B. H'son	96	105	20	107	100	21	78	13	132
H. W Berg	142	135	28	0	0	0	117	16	161
G. G'Sleeve	135	140	27	0	110	11	129	16	183
G. Holman	143	148	29	111	0	11	129	20	166
Veterans									
Mal Head	103	97	20	92	90	18	120	8	166
J.Strong	99	0	10	79	73	15	102	9	136
G.Nye	73	63	14	69	62	13	14	5	46
Trev Stam	101	95	20	83	87	17	106	6	149
A. Thor'son	63	72	13	73	82	15	119	12	159
D. Batchelor	96	0	10	106	110	22	125	12	169
R. Killick	92	0	9	80	81	16	101	15	141
Juniors									
D. Reid	46	58	10	55	61	12	75	18	115

112 gram Winner
 Artificial Bait Winner
 56 gm Winner
 D/H Accuracy Winner
 S/H Accuracy Winner
 112 gm "Open" Winner
 S/H "Open" Distance Winner
 Winner of the Day
 Junior Winner



SENIOR
 G Holman (29)
 Nil
 G. Reeley (23)
 G. Gildersleeve (129)
 G. Reeley (24)
 Nil
 Nil
 G. Gildersleeve
 D. Reid



Veterans
 Mal Head 20
 Nil
 D. Batchelor 22
 D. Batchelor 125
 A. Thorgeson 12
 D. Batchelor 12
 Nil
 D. Batchelor

Deadline for Next Reel Talk is Wednesday 21st February

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SENIOR TOP TEN

Drycasting to Date

SENIOR

G. Holman	1940
G. Reeley	1510
H. W' Berg	1488
G. G'Sleeve	1197
E. Parker	1148
J. Sullivan	662
S. Whiting	575
I. Pilton	574
J. Agnello	202
M. Philpot	182

Junior

S. Pilton	1655
D. Reid	1345
D. Whiting	380
S. Scott	77

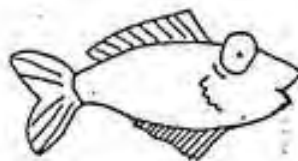
Mini Juniors

D. Whiting	518
K. W' Berg	245

Veterans

T. Stam	1600
M. Head	1571
R. Killick	1252
J. Strong	927
T. Lynn	849

T. D'Alonzo	811
R. Thorpe	715
D. Batchelor	690
A. Thorg'son	413
T. Holland	345

**RECYCLE YOUR NEWSPAPERS**

Bob Henderson is collecting newspapers for recycling. Please bring them along to the general meeting and help raise some money for the clubs social fund.

1996 KALBARRI HOUSE VACANCIES

February 3rd - 24th
 April 13th - 30th
 May - Clear
 June - Clear
 July - Clear
 August 1st - 17th
 September - Clear
 October - Clear
 November 16th - 30th
 December 1st - 28th



ALL ENQUIRIES TO THE PROPERTY OFFICER

Don't think that the following is not very important because this group (R.F.A.C.) is who the fisheries minister will deal directly with. We must show a lot of interest in this and keep an eye on it's operations so that if we have a point to raise we are in the ball park. The A.A.A. is our main avenue to the R.F.A.C. and our delegates are our link to the A.A.A. In other words this is now the formal line of authority,

George Holman
A.A.A. Delegate

Attention: news editor/chief of staff

MEDIA STATEMENT
10/12/95

MINISTER FOR PRIMARY INDUSTRY

Fisheries Minister Monty House today announced the new membership of the Recreational Fishing Advisory Committee (RFAC)

The committee plays a major role by providing advice to the Minister on recreational fishing issues, management and legislation, funding, research, fishing enhancement and community education.

It has been reconstituted as a statutory body under the new Fish Resources Management Act 1994 which came into effect in October 1995.

"The new membership, combined with the 10 regional recreational liaison committees, will give RFAC a more strategic view of State-wide fishing issues," Mr House said.

"The regional representation of the new committee has been strengthened with a diverse spread of experience from across the State to ensure strong community input into fish management.

"I have expanded the expertise base on the committee so it now includes tourism, public relations, and Aboriginal representatives to complement community interests, fishing clubs, tackle shops, commercial business interests and the Fisheries Department."

Mr House said Lindsay Harbord would continue as chairman of RFAC. Mr Harbord is immediate past president of the Australian Anglers Association.

All RFAC members are keen recreational fishermen and include:

- Angus Horwood - WA Recreational and Sport Fishing Council;
- Guy Leyland - WA Fishing Industry Council;
- Mike Roennfeldt - freelance journalist, recreational fishing media, Perth;
- Brian Hill - fishing tackle and equipment industry, Hills Mako Pty Ltd, Perth;
- Terry Whitby - Aboriginal representative, Tkala Boorda Community, Port Hedland;
- Kay Webber - volunteer fisheries liaison officer, Perth;
- Steve Anderson - tourism and fishing charter operator, Kununurra;
- Doug Bathgate - Gascoyne Development Commission, Carnarvon;
- Graham Maunder - fishing and sports store manager, Geraldton;
- Chris Mills - public relations manager, Bunbury;
- Ian Lightly - Denmark Boating and Angling Club;
- Peter Meecham - farmer, Brookton;
- Peter Rogers - executive director, Fisheries Department;

Mr House thanked the previous RFAC committee members for their time and dedication promoting sustainable recreational fishing management in Western Australia.

The Minister encouraged members of the public to make their view known to RFAC via the executive officer, Recreational Fishing Advisory Committee, Fisheries Department, 3rd Floor, SGIN Building, 188 St James Tce, Perth 6000

BLUFF CREEK



DO NOT MISS THIS FIELD DAY!! If you don't own a 4WD then ask another member for a lift. This is a FAMILY field day location so bring your wife or "mistress", friends and children or as a last option your dog(1st Choice for myself) .This is one of the best locations we go to for a club field day. It has all the right ingredients for a great weekend. The camp site is protected from a lot of the wind and is near a fresh water creek, "great for muddy little urchins"or for washing of the salt. It is advisable to take rain water-for tea making etc. Yabbies are plentiful in the takes nearby as are the Tiger snakes.

Bluff Creek is only accessible by 4WD and is east of Albany. Once there beach access is easy. There are kilometres of open beach for fishing. Some reef fishing spots are within easy distance of the camping area. Skippy herring whiting are usually in good supply with black fish on the reef edges in calm weather. The beaches and water are in pristine condition so it is really a very pleasant spot to just relax and enjoy the outdoors. This is a great family fishing venue and is a good safe swimming area prior to the sea breeze coming in. We will be having a club barbecue on Sunday at lunch time, 1200 hrs - 1400 hrs. Fishing is prohibited during this time. I hope most members will participate as it is a great social get together. I would recommend this F D to all new members as the fishing is easy and there will be plenty of experienced members on hand to help.

A group of members will be going down in convoy to Bluff Creek on the Friday night so anyone wishing to join in please ask at the February meeting. If anyone wishes to go down either the Thursday night or early Friday morning see Ian as he is going to leave early. A 2.5 Kva generator will be going down so if you wish to run a couple of lights bring a long extension cord and double adaptors. If anyone has an extra generator available please let Ian know as we would need this if there is a big demand or some one wants to run a freezer. Each freezer requires a minimum of about 1.5 Kva to start them. Therefore 2 freezers plus some lights can be run of a 2.5 kva generator.

SOCIAL REPORT



MANY THANKS TO IAN MASCARENHAS FOR TAKING THE REINS FOR ME AT THE JANUARY MEETING. TO ALL THAT HELPED IAN OUT ON THE NIGHT, THANKS ALSO. I WAS UP AT KALBARRI FISHING AND GENERALLY BLUDGING, BUT HEY, SOMEONES GOTTA KEEP THE CLUBHOUSE OCCUPIED, AND IT MAY AS WELL BE ME. TALKING ABOUT THE CLUBHOUSE, THIS WAS MY FIRST VISIT, AND I MUST SAY, I WAS PLEASANTLY SUPRISED. IT SERVES EVERY PURPOSE REALLY. THE ONLY ADDITION I WOULD MAKE WOULD BE A WASHING MACHINE. A BIG THANK YOU TO GRAEME REELEY AND BOB HARDIE FOR INSTALLING THE SLIDING DOOR, LEADING OUT TO THE NEW BACK VERANDAH. YOU DID A FINE JOB LADS. THE FISHING WAS PRETTY HIT AND MISS REALLY, I DID MANAGE A COUPLE OF THOSE FAMOUS KALBARRI TAILOR, AROUND 1.5 TO 2.00 pounders. HALF A DOZEN NICE FAT WHITING WHICH WE DEVOURED EAGERLY. I SNARED A LONG NOSED GREY SHARK FROM THE LOCAL BEACH WHICH WAS MY ENTRY TO THE OPEN SECTION, ONLY MY MOTHER (WHO HAD ACCOMPANIED US) FILLETED IT WHILE I WAS IN THE SHOWER. THANKS MOM. I LEFT MY WIFE LEA, IN KALBARRI FOR THE LAST THREE DAYS WHILE I MADE A SOLO TRIP HOME TO FISH OUR FIELD DAY/MANDURAH 500. IN CASE ANYONE HADNT HEARD, A SCABBY HERRING, TOOK OFF THE THOUSAND BUCKS. TONY D, ALONZO WON TWO OF THE CATAGORIES, BEING THE SHARK SECTION, WITH A HAMMERHEAD, AND THE TARWHINE, WELL DONE TONY. DAVE ANTICICH TOOK OFF THE SKIPPY SECTION., SO SURFCASTERS DID O.K. ON THE DAY. DAVE WON A SAND SPIKE COME CHAIR, COME SHOVEL, COME T.V ANTENNA. (CANT WAIT TO SEE YOU USING THAT AT WEDGE ISLAND DAVE.) WELL, JANUARY HAS JUST ABOUT ELAPSED, (IT PROBABLY ALREADY HAS BY THE TIME YOUR READING THIS). IT ONLY SEEMS LIKE YESTERDAY, WHEN WE WERE OPENING CHRISSY PRESENTS. I SUPPOSE I HAD BETTER START ORGANISING ANOTHER FUNCTION. GOT A COUPLE OF IDEAS THAT I WILL RUN BY YOU IN FEBRUARY.

TIGHT WHATEVER..... PHIL BRAYNE.

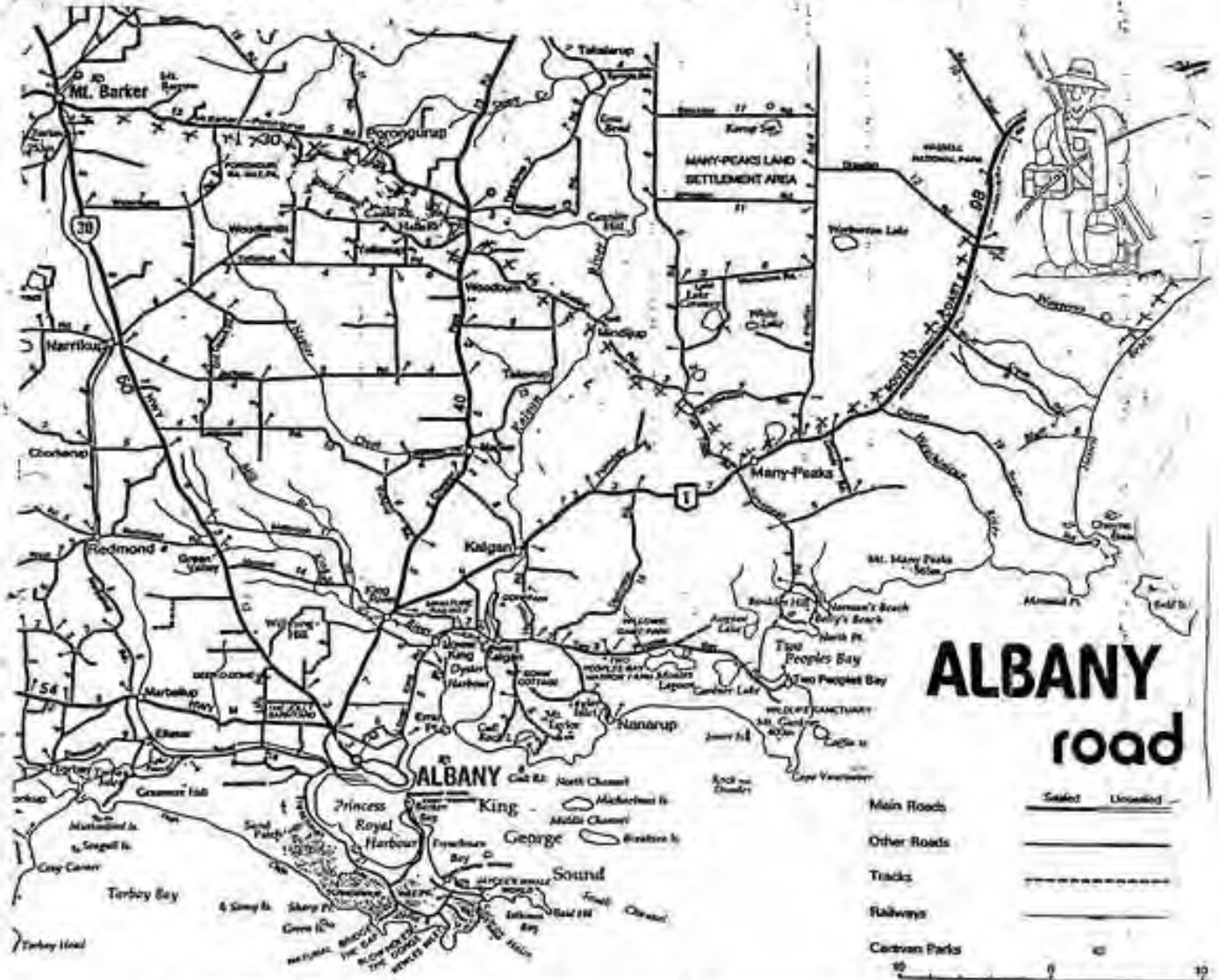
INSTRUCTIONS FOR DRIVING TO BLUFF CREEK

See map



Maps available from Cookie Monster

Turn left at Mount Barker onto the Mount Barker /Porogerups road. Turn right onto the Chester Pass road and go south till you get to the Kalgan River. Turn east on to the South Coast Hwy. Follow this through to Many Peaks. Go on another 24km passing Cheynes and Bluff Creek roads This is all sealed road till the Warriup turn off. Turn right down Warriup road and go about 16km. Go past the Quarry about 1km There is a Branched drive into a farm with a small lake in the paddock on the left. On the right about there is a poorly defined turn off. We hope to mark this entry with a sign SCAC. Take this track and follow it till you come to a fence line which will be on your right. Continue on along the fence line till you hit the creek Drive along the creek bed till you get to the camping area. The creek bed is hard sand and you will not get boughed..It is about 8km from the Warriup turn off to the camping area.



If one has time on the way back the route through the Poronerups ranges is a magnificent drive with great scenery. Allow a couple of extra hours to go this way. Fuel is only available at Many Peaks during normal shop hours only. Mount Baker has a 24 hour service station.

4 WHEEL DRIVING & NAVIGATION

BY MARK PHILPOT



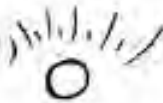
REQUIREMENTS

1. BLUE RANGE ROVER (BOLDLY GO WHERE NO VEHICLE HAS GONE)
2. BULLBAR (ROAD KILLS & EMERGENCY BRAKE)
3. SPOTLIGHTS (FOR SPOTTING LONG RANGE ROAD KILLS)
4. FULL TANK OF FUEL (LETS GET LOST)
5. WINCH (CLOTHES LINE)
6. SNATCH STRAP (CLOTHES LINE EXTENSION)
7. SPARE TYRE (ARTIFICIAL FIRE STARTER)
8. JACK (ARTIFICIAL HILL)
9. CB RADIO (TO PLAY EYE SPY & SEND PRAISE TO OTHER MEMBERS)
10. ENGEL (CHEST OF KNOWLEDGE & WISDOM)

TIPS

1. REMEMBER TO ENGAGE 4WD
2. START ENGINE (IF ENGINE IS ALREADY GOING , SKIP THIS)
3. SELECT A GEAR (IF ENGINE STALLS GO TO STEP 2)
4. CONGRADULATIONS, YOU ARE NOW 4 WHEEL DRIVING
5. YOUR VEHICLE IS LIKE A WOMAN, TREAT IT

KEEP IT KEEN)



NAVIGATION

1. NAVIGATOR (SOMEONE ELSE TO BLAME)
2. MAPS & UBD (EMERGENCY TOILET PAPER)
3. COMPASS (SPARE SINKER)
4. BINOCULARS (TO FIND THE SUN)



NOTES

IF LOST YOU SHOULD DO THE FOLLOWING:

1. SHOOT THE NAVIGATOR
2. FIND A NEW NAVIGATOR
3. CONSULT CONTENTS OF ENGEL
4. ENSURE MARKS ON MAPS ARE NOT FROM EMERGENCY USE
5. TOSS THE COMPASS (HEADS LEFT TRACK, TAILS RIGHT TRACK)
6. CHECK FUEL GAUGE (KEEP 2 LITRES FOR ITEM 7)
7. BURN VEHICLE AS LAST RESORT



Reel Talk. (Archive).

Why is This So ?

1. **Why is it** when I have decided to travel 600 kms to catch fish , that when I arrive the wind howls at 30 knots just 10 seconds after I have baited my first hook..
2. **Why is it** that if I go 40kms to catch fish , that when I arrive , there is a thick brown weed , stretching for a further 560 kms , right to where I would have fished if I had gone 600 kms.
3. **Why is it** that if there are fish where I am fishing, that if I had 20 pkts of fresh mulies, they won't look at anything except mullet strips.
4. **Why is it ...** that if I rig a heavy rod and reel with 80kg steel trace, and half a kangaroo for bait , that it stays out there for a week and nothing touches it, whereas if I use my flickrod with a little lure for catching herring a 6 metre bronze whaler shark takes my very first cast.
5. **Why is it.....** that the water trickles over the reef for a week, no higher than 20 mm, but the moment I walk to the edge to cast , a king wave comes out from nowhere.
6. **Why is it** I can walk into barbed wire a dozen times and nothing happens , but as soon as I put my waders on and walk into the water, a cigarette paper floats by and tears them from top to bottom.
7. **Why is it** that I can throw out spare bait on the beach and it stays there for a week, but the moment I'm down to my last packet , the bl....dy tailor come on , and I turn around to see a flamin' seagull flying out to sea, with the plastic bag and contents.

Well fellow comrades, if you can answer all these questions, it may not really do you much good but it may help me after 25 years of angling to at least catch my very first fish .

Signed

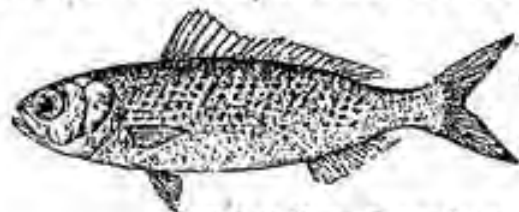
Desperate



CANS! CANS! CANS!

Please help raise some money for the clubs social fund. Keep all those aluminium cans and bring them along to Mal Head at the general meeting.

Fish identification chart



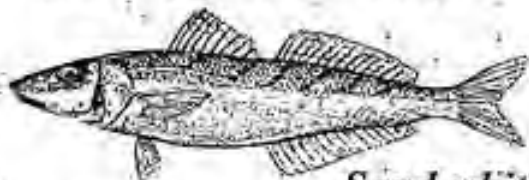
Australian herring

Herring mature at two years of age. The daily bag limit for herring is 40 per fisher.



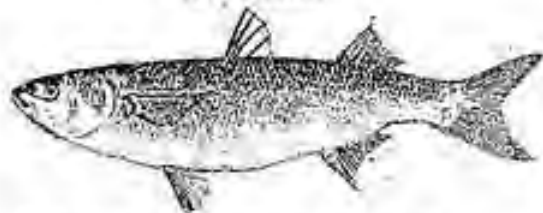
Garfish

Garfish mature when they are around 25cm long. The daily bag limit for garfish is 40 per fisher.



Sand whiting

Sand whiting reach maturity at about two years of age when they are around 15cm long. The daily bag limit for sand whiting is 40 per fisher.



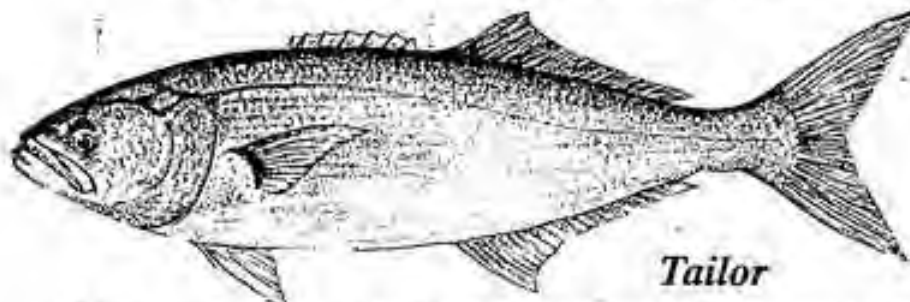
Pilch (yellow eye mullet)

Pilch mature at around two years of age. The daily bag limit is 40 per fisher.



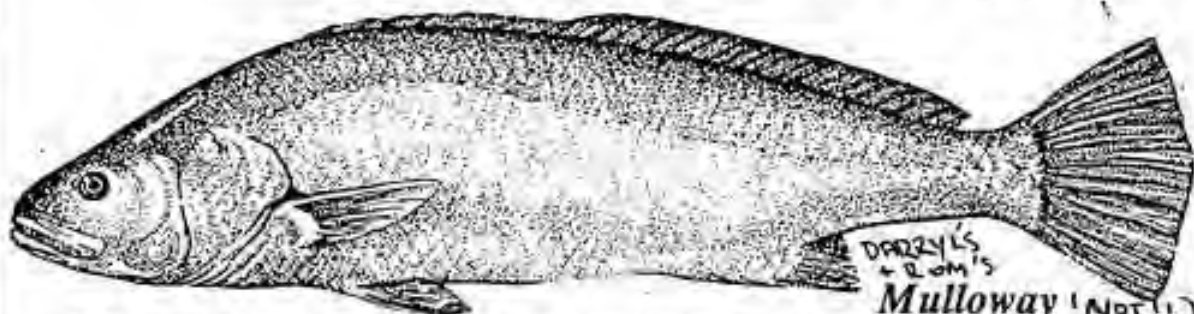
Skippy

Skippy mature when they are around 28cm long. The minimum size for skippy is 20cm and the daily bag limit is 20 per fisher.



Tailor

Tailor reach maturity at about 30cm, when they are around two years of age. The minimum size for tailor is 25cm and the daily bag limit for tailor is 8 per fisher.



Mulloway (NOT !!)

Mulloway mature at about five years of age when they are 75 - 80cm long. The minimum size for mulloway is 45cm. Mulloway have a daily bag limit of four per fisher however.

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