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George Holman

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Life Members of the Club

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

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Minutes of General Meeting, 14 January 2009

Venue: Coolbinia West Perth Amateur Football and Sporting Club Rooms

Time: 1940 hrs – Committee Meeting

Prerequisite requirements for Life Membership were presented to the Committee by Ian Cook prior to the January 2009 meeting.

Vice President – Ian Cook

Committee meets early, for a discussion on the Service Record of Robert Henderson, nominated for a Club Life Membership, by **Geoff Raftis**

Time: 2000 hrs

President Presiding:

Vice President – Ian Cook

Greetings to all and Welcome to the First Meeting of 2009.

Suspension of Standing Orders –

Robert Henderson has been recommended for life membership. Committee has looked at Rule 3 (a) LIFE MEMBERSHIP and Bob Henderson fulfills all the requirements of the constitution.

Bob Henderson Life Membership

Club Duties Performed by Bob Henderson:

1993/94	Member
1994/95	Member
1995/96	DCO
1996/97	DCO
1997/98	Assistant DCO
1998/99	DCO
1999/2000	DCO/Vice-President
2000/2001	DCO/Vice-President
2001/2002	Social/DCO/AAA Delegate
2002/2003	Vice President/DCO/AAA Delegate
2003/2004	President/Social/AAA Delegate
2004/2005	President/DCO/AAA Delegate
2005/2006	President & DCO (January 06 – July 06)
2006/2007	Assistant DCO/Immediate Past President
2007/2008	Immediate Past President

Other Services Rendered to the Club

Team Captain	Yamba
Veteran Team Captain	Yepoon 2005
State Team Captain	Phillip Island 2007
State Team Captain	Wallaroo 2009
Have A Go Day	Promoting the art of fishing & dry casting to seniors
Boat Shows	Promoting the art of fishing & dry casting to general public
Fund Raising	1990s
Caravan & camping show	(Promoting the art of fishing & dry casting to general public)

Listed above is a summary of the Committee positions Bob Henderson filled over 12 years and additional services provided to the Club. The Committee is recommending that Bob be made a Life Member.

All Club Members voted in favour of the nomination of Bob to become a Life Club Member. Ian called Bob to the front of the meeting, gave him a brief summary of his work and association within the Club, and congratulated him on being nominated as a Life Member of the Club

That is what he has done as a Committee Member and above all that he has been involved in Dry Casting for a long time, he has been State Captain in Yepoon, Phillip Island, and Yamba, and he is also going to be our State Captain in Wallaroo in a couple months' time.

He also promoted the Club externally to people on "Have A Go Day" and he was promoting the Club and the art of casting and the art of fishing. There were a number of "Have A Go Days" he promoted and on top of that we went to the boat shows for a number of days and again he promoted the Club at the Boat Shows, he was involved in the fund raising back in the early nineties. We went to caravan and camping shows where we had a professional store and Bob also ran the Dry Casting at the shows. So outside his normal duties as a Committee Member he has done a lot to promote the Club externally, which meant we had more people interested in the Club, Art of Fishing and Dry Casting.

So the Committee is recommending that Bob be made a life member. You as members have heard of what he contributed to the Club over 15 years or more that he has been in the Club and all we need now is a show of hands as a vote for Bob to become a Life Member.

Bob addressed the Members: My 'Old Man' always told me if I was to join a Club be part of the Club it has given me a lot of friends, joy and I have appreciated it so much. It is sheer joy to get that Membership, I will treasure it. There have been so many members who have joined the Club and have moved on and some are still here, it has got history, it is something to be proud of and thanks to you all.

While we have standing orders suspended one thing we are going to do tonight is to look at electing a President and I have had one Nomination handed to me as President. Are there any other Nominations for President?

Two Members are required as counters being, Morris Kolman and Peter Stoeckel.

Greg Walker has put up as President and I (Ian) have seconded the Nomination President Nominated: Greg Walker

Discussion on whether to continue to elect the other vacant Committee Positions, the Club Members insists that the elections are to continue at the General Meeting. At a count of hands, the majority voted in favour.

Ian Cook stands down from the Vice President Position

Marcia Pekaar nominated herself for Vice President, Seconded by Terry Fuller

Vice President - Marcia Pekaar

Assistant Field Day Officer, Mark Hansen nominated Ian Cook, Seconded Greg Walker

Assistant Field Day Officer – Ian Cook

All Club Members Voted in Favor

Website Coordinator

Terry Fuller will be attending the Committee Meeting to address the Committee Members of the wants of the Web Site Coordinator.

Greg Walker talks about Michelle as being Assistant Social Organizer, when he was in that position, now he wishes to stand down from that position and nominates Michelle as Social Organizer.

Social Organizer – Michelle Walker

All Club Members Voted in Favor

Standing Orders Resumed at 2038 hrs

Members Present:

28 Members

Apologies

Melvin Wee

Visitors:

John Rose & Josh Lucocq

New Members: None was present

Previous Minutes:

As published in the December Reel Talk

Moved: Jim Strong **Seconded:** Peter Stoeckel

Previous Committee Meeting:

Held on 17 December 2008. Discussion on Bob as life Member

Secretary's Report:

Correspondence In:

Taxation PAYG invoice

Stirling Shire – Application for Reserve usage winter 2009

Water Corporation Account for Kalbarri

R & D Associates – enquiring on the BT Units

Synergy Account - for Kalbarri

Wesfarmers Federation Insurance changes to corporate structure

Geoff Raftis – Formal Letter for a Life Membership Nomination for Bob Henderson

Ray White's Account – Kalbarri

Coastal Plumbing & Gas Fitting

Rozy's Cleaning x 4 Accounts, 30/11/08, 10/12/08, 26/12/08 & 29/12/08

Westpac Cheque Account -28 Nov 2008 to 31 Dec 2008

The 2008 Government Grant Confirmation letter received of the said amount

Bev gave us the information, Marcia compiled the Wording, John did the input and follow ups.

Greg – we applied for a Grant as a volunteer organization, we show people how to Fish and Dry Cast in our social environment. There was a Grant Program available to Clubs in our position, we put in a request for money to buy equipment for the Club and it has been approved.

John – we asked for the following Items:

Digital Scales

CB radios for the Dry Casting, more up market to the ones we have at present

Honda Generator for camping, to wherever we go fishing and even for Dry Casting events

Safety Flags for the Dry Casting Reserve

A First Aid Kit

Club Banner to promote Our Club to wherever we go fishing or to use at Dry Casting

Eric asks when the Grant was submitted.

John – The Grant was mentioned in the Minutes of the November Reel Talk 2008 under the Previous Committee Meeting: Held on 15 October 2008

John Crompton applying for the Volunteer Grants Program **\$1,000 - \$ 5,000**

On behalf of the Surf Casting Club

Correspondence Out:

Club Membership details sent to David Scott
 Club Membership details sent to Melanie O'Keefe
 Club Membership details sent to Eric Leigh

Emails In / out:

Club enquiry via email – OZM – Aussie Male
 Club Information sent out via email to OZM
 Stirling Shire – Clubs Forever, "Brunch with Boony"
 Club enquiry via email – David Scott
 Club enquiry via email – Melanie O'Keefe
 Club enquiry via email – Eric Leigh

Telephone Conversations

Conversation with the 2008 Government Grant Body

Treasurer's Report: 14th January 2009

Beverley Grigo reported as follows:

Bank Statement Balance 31/12/08:	\$ 11,948.27
Less Outstanding Cheque 201115	(78.43)
Adjusted closing Cash at bank:	\$ 11,869.84
Ray White Holding as at 31/12/08	\$ 500.00
Social Float as at 14/01/09:	\$ 250.00
BT Investment as at 30/09/08:	\$ 7,278.86
Net current cash:	\$ 19,898.70

Income Received:

Greg Walker – social functions	\$ 250.00
Mark Hansen – Myalup field day	\$ 108.00
Ian Cook – Rottneest fees May	\$ 450.00
Marcia Pekaar - dry casting 04/01/09	\$ 168.00
Peter Wessels – Rottneest May - deposit	\$ 50.00
John Lucocq – Rottneest May – fee	\$ 150.00
Ray White Rent	\$ 470.00
Income Received:	\$ 1,646.00

Accounts Payable :

M Pekaar - Reel Talk expenses	\$ 200.48
Ray White Expenses	\$ 434.35
Water Corp – Kalbarri	\$ 23.80
Synergy – Kalbarri	\$ 126.55
Sandra Wessels (Paid by cash) – fridge	\$ 100.00
Total Expenses:	\$ 885.18

Moved: Ian Cook **Seconded:** George Holman

Reel Talk Editor:

Sorry about the delay in this month's Reel Talk, I was not aware that the printer shut down for an extended period over Christmas. I will be aware of this for the January 2010 Reel Talk and will request articles earlier and will liaise with the printer to ensure we get that edition out in time. All Reel Talk articles to be in by the Saturday 24 January for the February issue of the Reel Talk.

Property Officer:

We went up just before Christmas for five days and did a lot of work in that time. We took up the new fridge/freezer which was bought from Sandra and Peet for a reasonable price. We borrowed Ian's trailer and took up a sofa which was re-strapped. Malcolm put in all the new awnings and we painted the entire veranda and the balustrade at the rear which was faded with contrasting green and cream. We did a lot of extra work with the help of Geraldine (Malcolm's sister) and all is looking very good.

Field Day Officer:

Firstly Myalup to Mandurah Field Day - there were 13 people who signed on and one fished locally. Eight species were caught in total, seven of them on the field. The tides were big with very little wind, no weed and not a lot of swell. Fishing conditions were pretty good, the people who won on the day were:

Sandra Wessels Best Scale Fish 0.55kgs

Lea Taylor Best Bag - he got six of the seven species

Our next Field Day is an extended local from Penguin Island to Seabird, sign on tonight or let me know by Thursday Night.

I am introducing a new fishing competition to run in conjunction with the other one. It is based on the length of fish and it is going to run from January to December this year and it is for all the fish you catch including sting rays. All contribute to the length, so keep a tally of what you catch and place the details on the form, total it up and there will be a spot prize at the end of the field day for the longest length of fish caught and at the end of the year there will be a prize or trophy.

People who catch undersized fish and have to throw them back will still be rewarded. It will be an encouragement for younger players as well. Sting rays will also count - it will be longest point on the ray. At the end of the field day hand in your form to the Field Day Officer. On a local Field Day, leave the forms at George's house.

Bob congratulates Mark for the new fishing competition and offers to donate a prize for the event.

Ian Cook talks on the format changes to Rottnest Island to include Monday

Peter Pekaar is unable to leave Friday night due to his work load and asks for the format to be restored back to the original Rottnest format leaving Saturday morning and fishing Saturday afternoon.

Peter is keen to make it a field day for all, not split between those who want to travel over on Friday ready to fish early in the morning on Saturday as well as fishing on Sunday returning on the Monday. He wants it to be like a normal field day, fishing from around midday on Saturday to having the weigh in around midday on Sunday, approximately a 24-hour period.

SCAAC Website:

Terry Fuller - to attend the Committee meeting to discuss several items relating to the Website configuration

Dry Casting Officer:

Peter thanked the members who helped him set up the Courts on Sunday.

Next month we will have a single handed open.

Last month several members left early, even though not all casters had finished. Then, of course, the clearing up duties had to be performed by the few remaining members.

Another thing I have to say is please pay Marcia on arrival at the Reserve BEFORE setting up your rods and practising.

Marcia – Also asks members to be more careful when filling out the score sheet so that it is more legible.

See DCO report elsewhere.

AAA Report:

See the full AAA report in a separate article in the February Reel Talk.

Competition delegates Don & Jason want all Clubs to send in their Ideas, as to where they would like to have the Annual AAA Competitions.

Don & Jason are also asking all Clubs, exactly what species you regard as edible fish, eg Trumpeters are classed as a 1 point fish in the point classification

AAA – Don & Jason are arranging a meeting for all club members who are able to attend, on **19 February 2009 at Time 7.30 pm**

AAA Rock and Beach Competition to be held at the end of March 2010

AAA State Dry Casting Competition will be held on the last Sunday in October 2009

Wallaroo Discussion

George – A final meeting to be held on 2 February at 8pm at George's house. Packing of rods to be done at the last Dry Casting Day in March (8 March 2009).

Marcia – Asks Ian to send out the Bus and Rod transportation costs to her.

Malcolm Harris – asks Marcia when are will the final payments be made? Reply: at George's meeting

Ian – Convention SA - both the bus and rod transport has been finalised. Rods will be packed on 9 March.

Recorder:

Nothing to report.

Social Organizer:

We did pretty well last month and raised \$250.00. Thank you to all those members who bought raffle tickets at the General Meeting and to those who bought food and drinks at Dry Casting. We did not see any other members of the Club rolling up to say hi or buy a hamburger, hot dog and ice cream. I am hoping that someone will come along next month to start the ball rolling and continue from there.

I would just like say that for the Club to be able to outlay money for things like this for the future we need more fund raising from the members during the year. If we are to organize other events, it would be nice if the current Members participate more in what is going on at the moment - come down and buy a hamburger. The \$5.00 you contribute will snowball. Also, what we decided at the last committee meeting is that if anyone comes down as a social member you will get a free Pancake at the February Dry Casting.

We have a night cast organized for **7 February 6.30pm**, at George's place. Barbeque first, laugh and a joke, have a drink enjoy the night. Bring your own chairs; glow sticks can be bought from George. Every Club member and their respective families are invited.

Recfishwest Report:

See the full Recfishwest report in a separate article in the February Reel Talk.

Notices of Motion:

From Peter Osborne:

I understand as of 1 January there are the new rules for WA.

Considering our two-day fishing period, the various locations we fish and potential to catch a range of species – particularly in the "High Risk" category, our one-day bag limit is now very restrictive. While there are advantages and disadvantages, I consider that overall, to enhance fishing skills and competitiveness among club members that a specific change to one rule be made – When voting on Club rules come up, please present the attached. From Memory this had to be published in Reel Talk and a protocol of discussion and voting to be observed.

General Business:

AAA Rock and Beach Competition to be held at the end of March 2010.

Michelle is arranging a Calendar, so at the next General Meeting in February, all members are asked to attend the meeting at 7.30pm, to have a group photo taken for the calendar.

Bob Henderson says that he will be heading off to the East on Saturday, 17 January and will see the Dry Casting Team in South Australia in March.

George next year Bluff Creek Field Day might clash with the AAA Rock & Beach Competition 2010.

Andy thanked Bev for the raffle held at the Christmas General Meeting.

Morris (regarding the new catch & measure your fish competition), are all fish are to be recorded, even those which are weighed in? – Mark answered "Yes".

Mark regarding Emu Springs. The Dept Environment & Conservation is proposing changes that will affect beach access.

John Crompton Members please let me know what instruction periods that you want for the next few months.

Malcolm Harris Talks about a fishing location found last weekend, in the south west region, Warren River Beach, fantastic area deep holes, excellent spot for long weekend fishing trip. Location can be found on:

http://www.exploroz.com/TrekNotes/SouthCoast/Warren_Beach_Dunes.aspx

Instruction Period:

February 2009 - Reading the Beach by Terry Fuller

March 2009 – Fund Raising Seminar – by Michael Carren

Raffle:

1st Prize – Ian Cook standard torch with a mozzie zapper in it

2nd Prize – John Crompton, single gas burner + 2 cans of gas

3rd Prize – Andy Thorgersen a jar of honeycomb

Meeting Closed: 2210 hrs

FEBRUARY MEETING ARRIVE EARLY

Everyone is asked to arrive by 7.30pm for the February meeting, dressed in your Club Shirt so we can take a group photograph for the Club Calendar which Michelle Walker is organising.

Calendar 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 Event																					
<u>8</u>		Dry Casting					11		General Meeting			<u>14</u>		<u>15</u>		Field Day			18		Committee Meeting		
February 2009							March 2009							April 2009									
Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun			
						<u>1</u>	30	31					<u>1</u>			1	2	3	4	<u>5</u>			
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16	17	<u>18</u>	19	20	21	22	16	17	<u>18</u>	19	20	21#	22	20	21	22	23	24	<u>25</u>	<u>26</u>			
23	24	25	26	27	<u>28</u>		23	24	25	26	27	28	29	<u>27</u>	28	29	30						

* On 2 February 2009, there will be a meeting at George's for the Casting Group going to Wallaroo at 8pm.

State Team leaves for Wallaroo

2008/2009 Field Day Dates, Venues and Boundaries

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

Dates	Venue	Boundaries and more details
14-15 February 2009	Cervantes – Sandy Point	See Field Day Officer
28 Feb – 2 Mar 2009	Bluff Creek	See Field Day Officer
25-27 April 2009	Bremer Bay	See Field Day Officer

2008/2009 Dry Casting Dates. All are at Yokine Reserve, Wordsworth Avenue, Yokine, starting 8:30am.

Sunday, 1 February 2009	Sunday, 8 March 2009
Sunday, 5 April 2009	Sunday, 3 May 2009

2008/2009 General Meeting Dates. All at Coolbinia West Perth Amateur Football and Sporting Club room, Wordsworth Avenue, Yokine, start 8:00pm **Except for February – 7.30pm start.**

Wednesday, 11 February 2009 7.30pm start	Wednesday, 11 March 2009
Wednesday, 8 April 2009	Wednesday, 13 May 2009

COMING FIELD DAY EVENTS

FIELD DAY VENUE	Cervantès to Sandy Point
WHEN	14-15 February 2009
SIGN ON	Phone the FDO by 18H00 Friday Saturday 14 February 2009 Hill River car park Time 11H00
LINES DOWN	Saturday, 12H00
BOUNDARIES	250m South of Cervantès back beach car park to Sandy Point
WEIGH IN	Sunday 15 February 2009 Hill River car park Time 12H00
FIELD DAY VENUE	Local
WHEN	14-15 February 2009
SIGN ON	Phone the FDO 18H00 Friday
LINES DOWN	Saturday, 12h00
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 12h00 at George Holman's House, rear of Scales will be available on his back patio. An adult member must witness weights. Field Day money to be left with the scales in an envelope with your name and details written in the carbon copy Field Day book. No money = no points. Results to be phoned to Field Day Officer.
FIELD DAY VENUE	Bluff Creek
WHEN	28 February-2March
SIGN ON	Phone the FDO by 18H00 Thursday Saturday Bluff Creek Campsite Time 11H00
LINES DOWN	Saturday, 12H00
BOUNDARIES	Walking distance past the rocks at each end of the Bluff Creek bay
WEIGH IN	Monday 2 March 2009 Bluff Creek Campsite Time 11H00

STATE DRY CASTING CHAMPIONSHIPS

2008/2009

This event was held at Yokine Reserve, Inglewood on Sunday, 26 October 2008 with a small attendance of 42 casters.

The day was fine with initially nil wind to gusty coming in from the right-hand-side of the courts, which the ladies, veterans, juniors and mini-juniors had to contend with, which restricted their distances and later in the day there was a following wind, gusting and getting stronger, which helped the men's distances.

There is always some very good casting at these events and the highlight of this event was Gary Gildersleeves' 176 out of a possible 200 in the Veterans double-handed accuracy, which is a new State and National record.

Longest cast for the day went to Chas Riegert with a cast of 193.86 metres.

Highest scores in double-handed accuracy were:

Men: Mal Harris 120; Joe Pullella 119 and Nick Allsworth 115
Ladies: Filomena D'Alonzo 127 and Marcia Pekaar 102
Veterans: Gary Gildersleeves 176; George Holman 145 and Mal Head & Bob Henderson 141
Juniors: Holly Walker 32
Mini-Juniors: Justine Davis 33 and Ben Pullella 20

The 56g distance better casts were:

Men: Joe Pullella 162.74; Chas Riegert 154.41 and Scott Rolls 141.22
Ladies: Wendy Hansen 103.83 and Marcia Pekaar 98.01
Veterans: Gary Gildersleeves 133.80 and George Holman 132.80
Juniors: Holly Walker 55.03
Mini-Juniors: Ben Pullella 74.26 and Michael Pullella 48.77

Best casts in the Artificial Bait events were:

Men: Chas Riegert 163.78 and Joe Pullella 159.53
Ladies: Wendy Hansen 90.20 and Marcia Pekaar 88.69
Veterans: George Holman 122.60; Bob Henderson 122.40 and Gary Gildersleeves 117.80
Juniors: Holly Walker 55.05
Mini-Juniors: Ben Pullella 56.33; Michael Pullella 39.08 and Justine Davis 26.82

The 112g longest casts were:

Men: Chas Riegert 193.86; Scott Rolls 174.64 and Rhys Jones 171.91
Ladies: Marcia Pekaar 107.38; Wendy Hansen 102.07 and Filomena D'Alonzo 103.02
Juniors: Holly Walker 67.69
Mini-Juniors: Ben Pullella 59.28; Michael Pullella 40.54 and Justine Davis 30.70

As can be seen, there was a high standard of casting. In the Team Events, the results were as follows:

Men:	1	Offshore Angling Club – Beach	1,258.14%
	2	Surf Casting & Angling Club	1,203.68%
	3	Melville Amateur Angling Club	1,188.46%
Ladies:	1	Surf Casting & Angling Club	736.93%
	2	Offshore Angling Club – Beach	625.06%
Veterans:	1	Surf Casting & Angling Club (2)	750.35%
	2	Surf Casting & Angling Club (1)	725.93%
	3	Melville Amateur Angling Club	462.14%
Juniors:	1	Surf Casting & Angling Club	300.00%
Mini-Juniors:	1	Surf Casting & Angling Club	400.67%
	2	Melville Amateur Angling Club	233.57%

Congratulations to all the Individual and Club Winners on their achievements.

I now come to the thank you part of this report.

Firstly a special thank you to the clubs which attended, in particular it was good to see Melville Club participating and I look forward to more clubs becoming involved in 2009.

Magic Nissan once again sponsored the individual winners and runner-up awards. They have been doing this for many years now, so a special thank you to them and we can reciprocate by thinking of them when we are looking to buy a car. Make sure you mention State Dry Casting and our Association!!

To John Curtis who helped me organise the day and who did an excellent and accurate job in the computer work and results, thank you. Your efforts were appreciated by all.

Greg Walker catered for the burgers and drinks for the whole of the day and to say his efforts were appreciated would be an understatement. The work done by Greg and his helpers, particularly Andy Thorgersen, was first class.

Geoff Raftis came down and helped me with the scoring on the Ladies/Vets/Junior/Mini-Junior court and certainly knows what he is doing, which makes my job that much easier. Thanks, Geoff.

Jim Strong (our Patron) once again officiated at the Presentation of Trophies at the end of the day, having his photo taken many times and conducted proceedings with his usual speech.

Mention must also go to the helpers who came down late Saturday afternoon to set up the courts. Without their efforts, you would all be doing this prior to casting commencing.

A special thanks from me to all who attended and to everyone who helped in any way to make the day a success.

I look forward to a better attendance next year and I wish the group of casters going to Wallaroo in March 2009 every success.

George Holman

WALLAROO CASTING GROUP MEETING

George Holman will be hosting a meeting at **8pm on Monday, 2 February 2009** for the Casting Group heading to Wallaroo, South Australia, in 2009.

ALL PARTICIPANTS are asked to attend.

NO CANS AFTER MARCH

After the March meeting, please keep your cans at home and recycle them through your local authority, as Mal Head will be away. Can collection will resume at a later date.

Stay tuned for further information.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

The following members celebrate their birthday in February:

Colin Sandell-Hay: 2 February

Julie Kember: 3 February

Greg Keet: 10 February

Dean Stewart: 28 February

NEW MEMBER ACCEPTANCES

John Rose as well as Theo & Louise Van Niekirk were all accepted into the Club at the January Committee Meeting.

Welcome Aboard.

FREE PANCAKES

At casting in February, Greg Walker will be giving away a pancake to each member who attends. Even if you do not wish to join in the casting activities, please come on down to support those members who are involved, and grab your pancake reward.

EXTENDED LOCAL FIELD DAY REPORT 17 & 18 JANUARY 2009

By 9.30am on Saturday, nine of the 17 competitors had met at Greg's house for the planned trip to Wilbinga, between Two Rocks and Seabird. Friday's fires in the Yanchep area had closed the usual route to this fishing spot so we went via Marmion Ave, passing a very large group of fire-fighting personnel and equipment on Yanchep Rd. We briefly stopped at the Yanchep Lagoon Kiosk for pies and hamburgers, then on past Two Rocks and along the tracks to the beach at Wilbinga. The air was heavy with the smell of the recent bushfires, light SW winds swung around to the south later in the afternoon. A small swell on medium seas made for reasonably comfortable fishing. The northerly current carried small amounts of weed onto the lines that were set out for any length of time.

Lea managed a good bag using soft plastics and Melvin caught a very nice flathead while Greg, Mark, Wendy, Morris, John, Peter and John suffered from lean pickings. The family Pekaar fished at Moore River and weighed in three species. Peet and Sandra tried various places from Yanchep to the north mole, Malcolm briefly visited us at Wilbinga and fished in numerous spots while George chucked a line in for a few hours at his "local".



The weigh in was in the park behind George's house. Of the 17 members eight weighed in seven species. Melvin won Best Scale Fish with his 0.712kg flathead. Lea once again won Best Mixed Bag of 5.329kg; he also took out the longest total length in our new Total Length Competition with 7.69metres tallied. This new competition saw 16 entrants who caught [and some released] 14 species that totalled 20.72metres. As it stands, Andrew and Sandra are separated by only one centimetre! Well done to all those that got into the spirit of the new competition, many more metres should be tallied on the next Field Day at Cervantes to Sandy Point. I'll have tally sheets at the general meeting and at the sign on. Cervantes usually fires up nicely and a good turn out makes it better.

***Field Day Officer
Mark Hansen***



Peter Stoeckel



Ruby Taylor

Recorders Report for January
2008 - 2009 Open Competition Results till January 2009

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	
4.	Best Salmon	3.5 kg	
5.	Best Dhufish	Legal size	
6.	Best Tailor	1.5 kg	
7.	Best Samson Fish	1.5 kg	
8.	Best Fish on single handed rod, maximum 4kg line class	Legal size	Mal Harris Bluelined Emperor 1.3 kg Shelter Bay Shark Bay
9.	Best Pink Snapper	2.0 kg	
10.	Best Tarwhine	0.5 kg	
11.	Best Mackerel	4.0 kg	
12.	Best Skipjack Trevally (southern)	1.0 kg	George Holman Wago 1.1 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	Ian Cook Black Bream 1.561 kg Frankland River Nornalup
16.	Best Scale fish other than sections 3 to 14	2.0 kg	George Holman Wago Morwong 4.0 kg
17.	Best Fish caught on Fly Rod.	Legal size	

Barron Lure Competition 2008 - 2009

Heaviest Tailor

Heaviest Salmon Mark Hansen 3.842

Heaviest Scale fish

Field Day Sections up to and Including January

Section		Angler	Species	Weight
1A	Best Scale Fish (1st Six Months)	Ian Cook	Samson Fish	14.125
1B	Best Scale Fish (2nd Six Months)			
2	Most Meritorious Fish	Ian Cook	Samson Fish	14.125
3	Best Shark (4.5kg min)	Melvin Wee	Shark	6.755
4	Best Mulloway (2.0kg min)			
5	Best Tailor (1.0kg min)	George Holman	Tailor	4.088
6	Best Salmon (3kg min)	Mark Hansen	Salmon	3.842
7	Best Skipjack Trevally (0.5 kg min)	Peet Wessels	Skipjack Trevally	1.072
8	Best Mackerel (2kg Min)			
9	Best Scale Fish (Other than above)	Ian Taggart	Samson Fish	12.145
10	Best Bag Of Scale Fish	Ian Cook	Mixed Bag	29.296
11	Best Bag Of Mulloway (2 Fish Min)			
12	Best Bag Of Tailor (2 Fish Min)	George Holman	Tailor	4.79
13	Best Fish On S/H Rod 4kg b/s line (max)	Lea Taylor	Yellowfin Whiting	0.382
14	Best Fish Caught on Fly Rod			

Sportsperson of The Year Sections for January

Section	Angler	Species	Weight
Best Scale Fish	Melvin Wee	Flathead	0.712
Best Bag of Scale fish	Lea Taylor	Mixed Bag	5.329

Field Day Prizes for January

Section	Angler	Species	Weight
Best Scale Fish	Melvin Wee	Flathead	0.712
Best Bag of Scale fish	Lea Taylor	Mixed Bag	5.329

Top Ten up to January

Rank	Total Points
1	1361.0
2	869.3
3	765.2
4	728.1
5	688.6
6	672.7
7	616.7
8	469.6
9	402.9
10	344.8

Proposed Field Days for 2009 – 2010

FIELD DAY DATES	VENUE
16 - 17 May 2009	Cape South
30 May - 1 June 2009 LWE	Shark Bay Safari & Wagoie
11 - 12 July 2009	Cape North
15 -16 August 2009	Rottnest
26 - 28 September 2009 LWE	Emu Springs
***10 - 11 October 2009	Rottnest
14 - 15 November 2009	Cervantes
12 - 13 December 2009	Myalup to Dawesville Cut
16 - 17 Jan 2010	Local (Floreat drain)
13 - 14 February 2010	Cervantes
27 February -1 March 2010	Bluff Creek
24 - 26 April 2010	Warren River or Reef Beach to Bremer Bay

The above field day selection is based on members' suggestions submitted prior to the January Committee meeting. The selection was based on the majority of submissions for a particular field day. We had a record number of submissions this year. The April field day for 2010 is on the Anzac Day weekend. There are two options which are new venues to the majority of the members. The locations are general with no boundaries set at this stage. Please give the selection some consideration. The selections will be discussed at the February General Meeting.

*** The tides for the May Field Day (Rottnest) are too high to allow safe fishing both in the morning and afternoon. The only suitable tides in October or November are on the 10 – 11 October. The Cape to Cape Field Day which was selected by members for October is now swapped to May to allow for the second Rottnest Island Field Day.

***Tight Lines
Cookie***

NIGHT CAST

Don't forget the night cast and barbecue to be held on **Saturday, 7 February 6.30pm**, at George's place. Bring your own chairs; glow sticks can be bought from George. Every Club Member and their families are invited.

AAAWA Report for Surfcasters General Meeting 14 January 2009

1. Number of new Delegates and visitors.

December meeting had 11 delegates and 9 visitors, with 11 people from this club. It's great to see this increased interest and people from this club acting as proxy delegates for country clubs. Jim Strong and Peter Pekaar are proxy delegates, Marcia and John have offered, country clubs have been asked.

2. Motion for voting - Pompom attachment – need directions from Club on how SCAC Delegates should vote. For National Drycasting rules, allows any method of connection of the pompom to the rig, with this connection hardware not to be counted for the hardware limits in the rig itself.

3. The AAWA Constitution needs to be brought up to date so that the version thought to apply is actually registered correctly with the Dept of Employment and Consumer Protection. Once this is done, the real work of completely revising the Constitution can start, (subject to volunteers). There are currently 5 motions for voting on AAA Constitution – need directions from Club on how SCAC Delegates should vote.

Motion 1. Amend section 20. Quorum at AGM:- to eight delegates representing no less than four Affiliated Associations.

Motion 2. Amend section 38. Quorum at monthly Delegates meeting:- to eight delegates representing no less than four Affiliated Associations.

Motion 3. Add section 5(l) "Associate Members" are eligible to join as members of The Association on the payment of an annual fee, but shall have no voting rights. Associate members shall be represented on the Delegates Council by the 2 Independent Delegates, which are elected by the Delegates Council at each A.G.M

Motion 4. Add section 6(g) Registration dues payable by Associate Members will be set by the Delegates Council at each A.G.M.

Motion 5. Add section 24(b)(3) As per the Constitution the Motion will be passed only on a two thirds majority vote.

(Rule 24(b) is "At the Annual Delegate Council meeting those Delegates then present and entitled to vote may elect State Patron or Patrons)"

4. \$1000 has been allocated for expenses at the National Convention at Wallaroo

5. Future AAWA Competitions

State Estuary:- November 2009 Cockburn Sound/Swan River (To be confirmed)

State Rock and Beach:- March 2010 Jurien (To be confirmed)

6. There is still no President of AAWA, and now there is no Junior Vice President.

7. Discrimination complaint under the Equal Opportunity Act.

These last two topics are AAWA business. Details are in the minutes of the December 2008 meeting, available on the AAWA website

<http://www.aaawa.iinet.net.au/MinutesDecember2008.html> or if you don't have Internet access, see me after this meeting to arrange a paper copy of the minutes.

Recfishwest Report for Surfcasters General Meeting 14 January 2009

2009 will be the year when recreational fishing receives the profile and prominence which it deserves.

We have a new Minister, Hon Norman Moore, who has considerable experience in government and who is senior within Cabinet. We also have a new CEO of the Department of Fisheries, Stuart Smith, and a commitment to develop stronger partnerships with groups like Recfishwest.

The 'Casting around the Internet' newsletter has been extremely successful, but a number of our members do not have any or a current email address and we value their views on management issues.

1. Implementation of management arrangements for the West Coast demersal species

The Liberal Party made a commitment to review both the science that sat behind the decision and the management processes which were used. The Minister is committed to progressing this review by the middle of March 2009 and an announcement will be made shortly thereafter about future management arrangements.

The Fisheries Minister is of a view that Recfishwest should be the primary voice for the recreational sector on this issue and we will be asking for your views.

2. Future consultative structures and Recfishwest

One of the significant changes to result from the Integrated Fisheries Management (IFM) system will be to better define the roles and responsibilities of the commercial and recreational sectors in managing their share of the resource.

It will require a re-examination of the regional recreational consultative structures. It is likely that Recfishwest will play a much greater role in the future.

3. Partnerships

Following on from changes to consultative structures, there is also an opportunity to strengthen partnerships between Recfishwest and the Department of Fisheries and Recfishwest with regional fishing groups. There is scope to improve the administration of projects such as log books, pamphlet production and extension activities such as fishing clinics between the Department and Recfishwest.

We hope to be able to work even more closely with groups to develop special projects of benefit to regional fisheries management. **Let us know your ideas.**

4. The need for better services for recreational fishing, funding, licenses

For a variety of reasons, recreational fisher and community expectation is increasing for better servicing of the recreational fishing sector. There is a need for more responsive management measures and better consultation, more field officers to police new rules, more commercial fishing buy-backs and better catch and economic information will all cost more money rather than less.

This will pose a considerable challenge as consolidated funding is decreasing while our expectations are rapidly increasing. It is expected that during 2009 there will be considerable debate on recreational licensing as a possible measure to meet the increasing demands on fisheries management.

No doubt this will be hotly debated, but you have an assurance that Recfishwest will be ensuring that any additional funds raised will be for new initiatives and that the funds will be administered by recreational fishers for projects which they determine are important.

5. New West Coast Rules brochure is out ("Recreational Fishing Guide")

A new version of the "West Coast Recreational Fishing Guide, Dec 2008" with changes which apply from 1 January 2009 is out and also on the Dept of Fisheries website at http://www.fish.wa.gov.au/docs/pub/WestLimits/westcoast_rules_2008.pdf

The major change affecting people in the club is the reduction of the Category 1 bag limit from 7 down to 4 fish per day, reduced daily bag limit of 2 pink snapper, the increased size for pink snapper to 45cm south of Lancelin and the reduced possession limits (because some options are expressed in terms of daily bag limits). Members are reminded that possession and size limits apply where you are checked, even if different limits apply where you caught the fish. That's a potential trap while travelling or moving around near boundaries.

This brochure is in a new format explaining the rules in much more detail and giving the references to the legislation which defines those rules.

6. Maximum Size Limit for Whaler Sharks

This version of the West Coast Guide has removed the maximum size limit for whaler sharks, which were actually wrong and misleading in previous editions of the West Coast guide and is still wrong in the current guide for the South Coast.

The simple fact is there is **NO** maximum size limit on whaler sharks either in the Act or the Regulations, not now or recently. I raised this when the Sept 2007 edition of the West Coast Rules/Guide with that error was published, but nothing was done to correct this in a later edition.

Instead, extra wording was added in to the December 2007 edition to say "*The Minister for Fisheries has approved the introduction of a maximum size for whaler sharks.*" which was literally correct and accurate, but they neglected to say that those changes had not then been gazetted, so had no legal standing, so adding those words was misleading.

The end result was a blatant and continuing misrepresentation of the true situation, so people have been wrongly informed since Sept 2007 that they were not allowed to keep whaler sharks above a certain size, when there was no legislative backing for **ANY** size limit, and the Dept knew that.

We have received emailed confirmation of this from the Dept of Fisheries and have been told the Dept of Fisheries is presently preparing amendments to the Regulations, expected some time in February or thereabouts, to legislate for:-

Recreational sector - ban on taking **ALL** whaler sharks (plus dusky sharks) greater than 70cm interdorsal length in West and South Coast bioregions (a new rule).

Commercial sector - ban on taking large dusky sharks greater than 70cm interdorsal length (just a continuation of the current rule) - with **NO** maximum size limits on **ANY** whaler sharks.

That means that commercial fishermen will still legally be able to take any type of whaler sharks of any size, but recreational fishermen will be limited to a maximum size for **ALL** whaler sharks.

I ask:- **Where's the logic in that for a measure which is supposed to be driven by sustainability issues and protection of big breeders??** After all, the commercial over-catch is what has caused the problem with reduced numbers of sharks, and the recreational catch is insignificant in comparison.

Now I know that many recreational fishermen don't take or want to take large sharks, so won't be affected by any ban, but that's not the point.

Logic says wherever there is a sustainability problem, the best results for sustainability come from properly controlling whatever is taking the majority or the significant number. This "Fiddling at the edges" with bans on one group which is taking only small numbers will have **negligible or NO real benefits for the shark fishery and sustainability**.

This topic of whaler shark maximum size limits could have been handled much better in Dept of Fisheries publications. What's wrong with simply using the truth?

When/if the whaler size limits are actually gazetted (February?), the latest (Dec 2008) West Coast Guide which has just been distributed **will be incorrect again** and will need to be reprinted and redistributed.

Remember, it is up to YOU to know the rules in the Regulations, or ask the Department of Fisheries. Ignorance is no excuse (they say)

The simple ways to distinguish between various sharks are shown in line drawings in "Field identification guide to Western Australian Sharks and Shark-like Rays" from the Dept of Fisheries website <http://www.fish.wa.gov.au/docs/op/op001/index.php>

7. Fisheries Rulers / Stickers

Someone in Dept of Fisheries got the brilliant idea to stop producing the stickers as one of the ways of saving costs to meet the 3% budget cuts. This was a cynical attempt by an individual to cut something which everyone knew was essential. He probably expected a reaction when the news got out so that his area wouldn't get funds cut, but I don't think he quite expected what has actually happened.

As a direct result of the intervention by Recfishwest on this with Stuart Smith, the new Chief Executive Officer of the Department of Fisheries, the proposal to stop producing these stickers / rulers has been changed. Mr Smith immediately assured Recfishwest that fish length stickers / rulers WILL be produced.

Recfishwest has asked that all Department of Fisheries people are properly informed of the decision to keep producing these stickers / rulers, and when supplies will be available to the public.

Dept of Fisheries is funded with \$\$\$\$\$\$ for community education about fishing rules. These fish length stickers / rulers are a critical and essential part of that community education. Recfishwest thanks Mr Smith for the quick and positive response to Recfishwest's representation on this.

There have been other welcome changes talked about, but some of these may be most unwelcome to some people in the Dept of Fisheries.

8. Marine Park Planning

Marine Park Planning, or at least implementation of any new areas, has effectively stalled for the last few years, however the new Government is now reviewing which organisation does what.

We have recently been contacted by Department of Environment and Conservation that they propose to reconvene the Shoalwater Islands Marine Park Focus Group to discuss the possible development of a sanctuary zone in the Point Peron area. Recfishwest has asked some rather pointed questions about this due to the proposal being by a former Minister completely outside of the planning process and requirements, but instead with political objectives.

Recfishwest has received correspondence from DEC which indicates that, due to budget cuts, the public consultation process for the 80 Mile Beach area would have to be sacrificed. That proposal is an offset for a concession to the Gas Industry about turtle nesting areas and is not supported by commercial fishers, recreational fishers or conservation groups. It appears that there is a conscious effort to use the budget cuts to bypass community engagement, allowing DEC to prepare its 'draft' plan without reference to the community.

9. Recfishwest Membership

Recfishwest is the peak body representing the interests of recreational fishers in Western Australia. Last year when the organization was under threat, recreational fishers supported Recfishwest, but **we need you to continue that support.**

Decisions to be made in 2009 will affect future fishing opportunities for your children and grandchildren. Recfishwest intends meeting these challenges and assures you that we will be the most effective vehicle for getting your views heard in this crucial year.

Recfishwest is **your** public voice whenever decisions which affect our fisheries, or access to them, are being made. We want you to become a member of Recfishwest or to renew your membership. Membership costs only \$20 a year per person, \$40 for families and \$10 for seniors.

Please contact the office on (08) 9246 3366, email to recfish@recfishwest.org.au or apply at the Recfishwest website, <http://www.recfishwest.org.au/MembershipDet.htm>. Together we can make a difference!!

This report has been prepared by Terry Fuller, your Recfishwest Board Member for the Australian Anglers Association working voluntarily on your behalf. Contact Terry on 9447 4545 or email terryfuller@iinet.net.au with any questions or comments.

The end of the “Kiosk” fishing area at the North Mole

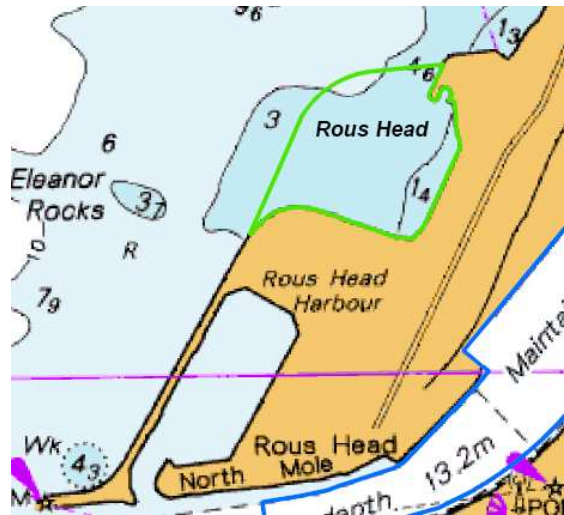
Fremantle Ports intends to reclaim 27 hectares (67 acres) of sea floor at Rous Head using material dredged from the Inner Harbour, behind 1,000 metres of new sea wall.

A Public Environmental Review (PER) of Fremantle Port Inner Harbour and channel deepening, reclamation at Rous Head and offshore placement of dredged material has been prepared by Fremantle Ports in accordance with WA Government procedures and is released for public review. <http://www.fremantleports.com.au/Planning/4640.asp>

This reclamation will remove the popular fishing area at the base of the North Mole commonly known as “the Kiosk”. This area has plenty of parking and is well protected from those strong south-west and southerly winds which are common in the summer. Much of this existing rockwall is made of limestone which is much easier and safer to stand on than the larger, irregular and slippery granite rocks further out the North mole.

The new rock wall gives an opportunity for recreational fishermen to ask for (demand) that their recreation be properly recognized and the loss of the existing area be compensated by a new area with:-

1. adequate car parking,
2. properly designed and **usable** fishing platforms in several places, for disabled people, children and people who are not physically able to clamber over rocks.
3. “fisherman-friendly” and safe rock walls where the rocks are carefully placed to give enough flat and accessible spots to stand right along the wall, not just dumped from the back of a truck so that any flat spots are just the result of luck, as seems to happen with most rock walls.



This is a rare opportunity to get a new rockwall built which properly considers recreational fishing needs.

It's **SO EASY** to do this when the seawall is being built. It seems to be **SO HARD** to get anything changed later. Even if you are active and fit now and don't care about clambering over rocks, think about all the other people who are not so agile, and about yourself in 10, 20 or 30 years into the future when you will be grateful for such protected and productive fishing spots.

It needs **YOUR** support to lobby Fremantle Ports, the Government, your member of Parliament, Fremantle Council, the EPA, and anyone else you can think of who can help.

Public submissions close on 2 March 2009. See also Recfishwest Policy:- “Fishing Jetties, Wharves and Platforms” <http://www.recfishwest.org.au/PolicyJetties.htm>

Free Recfishwest membership for some AAA club members

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

The Recfishwest fee structure for Associations like AAAWA 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 or Terry Fuller before Friday 13 February, and include their written permission if nominating someone else.

DRY CASTING OFFICER'S REPORT

Scores are available for members only until after the AAA National Championships at Walleroo in March/April

With summer now in full force, it is becoming obvious that the heat is too much for some of our casters, which in turn kept the numbers down. The 22 casters present had to contend with light easterly winds for most of the day, as well as hot and humid conditions. While some members blamed the easterly winds for keeping distances down, it didn't seem to affect the double handed accuracy scores.

In the Double Handed Accuracy events, both Keith Heaney and Joe Pullella in the Seniors were on song with xxx and xxx points respectively. Bob Henderson's xxx points just beat Gary Gildersleeves by one point. Allan Jones and Mal Head tied with xxx points. The Ladies division was won by Marcia Pekaar xxx points, Marlin Heaney scored xxx and Makaira Heaney scored xxx points.

The Single Handed Accuracy events were won by Peter Pekaar, Gary Gildersleeves, Marcia Pekaar, Holly Walker and Kaitlin Stoeckel in their respective divisions.

The sound of lead hitting the fluoro cones was heard four times on the day. Andrew Pekaar's bull's eye in single handed accuracy was the only one on the day for the Seniors. The bull's eye in double handed accuracy, which Bob Henderson scored, was the only one for the day in that event and to make it even more special, it was on the longest target. Trevor Stam and Allan Jones each grabbed bull's eyes in the single handed accuracy event. Trevor's ear to ear grin let the group know how thrilled he was with his bull's eye, and he topped it off with distance casts of around xxx m.

Well done to Gary Gildersleeves for being our overall winner in January, with xxx points.

I would like to mention the dedication of the Heaney Family toward casting. They travelled all the way from Kalbarri to cast at the January event and returned home that afternoon, making a 1200km round trip. Thank you to the members for allowing Keith and his children to push through their casts in order get away as planned. Thanks to Mal Head, AJ, John Crompton, and George who are always willing to assist in setting up for the day, and to Bob Henderson who put out the flags. At the end of a long day, whilst we were packing away the equipment, George retrieved the flags.

The Walker Family came down early to set up and provide the usual hamburgers, cool drinks, ice-cream, and coffee, from 7.30am. Don't forget the pancakes on offer next month.

Thank you everyone.

Section Winners

Seniors:	Joe Pullella xxx points	Ladies:	Marcia Pekaar xxx points
Veterans:	Gary Gildersleeves xxx points	Juniors:	Marlin Heaney xxx points
Mini Junior:	Makaira Heaney & Kaitlin Stoeckel xx points each		

In February, Seniors will be doing Distance First, then Accuracy and the Vets & Ladies will be doing Accuracy First, then Distance

Remember, after our regular casting in February, we will have a Single-Handed Open event up to 56g, maximum of five casts per person. I hope to see you all there.

***Peter Pekaar
Dry Casting Officer***

Dry Casting Results, 4 January 2009

Results for the day	56 gram			Artificial Bait			112 gram			Double Handed Accuracy									Single Handed Accuracy					Day Total	Attendance		Total Points
	Cast	Cast	Points	Cast	Cast	Points	Cast	Cast	Points	Target number								Target distance			D C	G M					
	1 (m)	2 (m)		1 (m)	2 (m)		1 (m)	2 (m)		3	3	1	1	4	4	2	2	Points	L	S			L		S	Points	
Seniors																											
Joe Pullella																			4	4	2	9	19		10		
Keith Heaney																									10		
Andrew Pekaar																			4	5	0	10	19		10		
Peter Pekaar																			4	8	6	9	27		10		
Rhys Jones																			6	3	8	3	20		10		
Mark Hansen																			5	0	1	5	11		10		
Peter Stoeckel																			0	9	0	7	16		10		
Eric Parker																			0	7	4	8	19		10		
Veterans																											
Gary Gildersleeves																			5	9	7	8	29		10		
Bob Henderson																			6	7	5	7	25		10		
Allan Jones																			4	0	0	10	14		10		
Malcolm Head																			3	4	8	5	20		10		
George Holman																			3	3	4	8	18		10		
Terry Fuller																			6	2	5	8	21		10		
John Crompton																			2	1	0	0	3		10		
Trevor Stam																			0	0	0	10	10		10		
Ladies																											
Marcia Pekaar																			0	3	7	0	10		10		
Wendy Hansen																			0	0	0	6	6		10		
Juniors																											
Marlin Heaney																									10		
Holly Walker																			0	1	1	1	3		10		
Mini Juniors																											
Kaitlin Stoeckel																			0	7	0	0	7		10		
Makaira Heaney																									10		

Note. Does not include points for attendance at January General Meeting

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In Winter, the starting time will be 9am. Notice will be given.

Dry Casting Winners for 4 January 2009

Event	Seniors winner		Veterans winner	
56 gram Score				
56 gram Distance				
Artificial Bait Score				
Artificial Bait Distance				
112 gram Score				
112 gram Distance				
Double Handed Acc.				
Single Handed Acc.				
Section Highest Points				

Event	Ladies winner		Junior winner		Mini Junior winner	
56 gram Score						
56 gram Distance						
Artificial Bait Score						
Artificial Bait Distance						
112 gram Score						
112 gram Distance						
Double Handed Acc.						
Single Handed Acc.						
Section Highest Points						

Event	Overall winner for January		Year's best up to January	
56 gram Score				
56 gram Distance				
Artificial Bait Score				
Artificial Bait Distance				
112 gram Score				
112 gram Distance				
Double Handed Acc.				
Single Handed Acc.				
Section Highest Points				

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Dry Casting Top Scores for 2008/9

Total scores up to and including January casting. Only the best 11 months out of 12 will count at the end of the competition year.

George Holman	2317	1	Andrew Pekaar	1095	14	Keith Heaney	347	27
Gary Gildersleeves	2313	2	Wendy Hansen	974	15	Kaitlin Stoeckel	282	28
Allan Jones	1861	3	Eric Parker	930	16	Marlin Heaney	239	29
Malcolm Head	1803	4	Peter Stoeckel	893	17	Chris McFarlane	217	30
Peter Pekaar	1712	5	Trevor Stam	792	18	Jeff Hewton	138	31
Terry Fuller	1700	6	Dean Stewart	711	19	Keepa Walker	131	32
Marcia Pekaar	1409	7	Holly Walker	711	20	Greg Walker	121	33
Bob Henderson	1394	8	Jim Strong	602	21	Jess Thomson	106	34
John Crompton	1373	9	Bev Grigo	536	22	Ben Pullella	89	35
Rhys Jones	1350	10	Geoff Raftis	457	23	Makaira Heaney	82	36
Mark Hansen	1291	11	Michelle Walker	447	24	Michael Pullella	34	35
Malcolm Harris	1236	12	Ian Cook	429	25			
Vix Alexander	1164	13	Joe Pullella	418	26			

MARCH DRY CASTING – NATIONAL RULES

At Dry Casting in March, those in the team heading to Wallaroo will be casting to National rules. Any other club members who also wish to cast this way are welcome to join the group. Those wishing to cast to Club rules, are welcome to do so.

DRY CASTING REMINDER

It has become apparent that people are taking our Dry Casting events for granted. Dry Casting does not run itself. We have a Dry Casting Officer and he has designated Assistants, but it is still up to all members to assist on the day.

Please try to arrive early and offer assistance to set up the courts, pay your fees and ensure your name is entered on the attendance list. Then, you are free to set up your rods and start practising, socialise and enjoy the day with your fellow casters.

When writing up scores, please keep your writing legible. Be mindful that the information has to be transcribed at the end of the day to be accurately recorded. Please think about what you are doing and wait until you have heard the number clearly before writing it down. Please ask the person reading from the laser to repeat the distance for you if you do not hear it clearly. If you make an error, please use one line to cross it out and perhaps draw a thin arrow to the outside of the grid and write the correct number there. Marcia is having to work from a dog's breakfast, and deciphering the distances accurately is becoming difficult.

At the end of the day, please do not leave without offering assistance to pack up. Naturally, if there is an open event or an extra practise session and you have chosen not to join in, then you are free to leave. However, on regular casting days, if your group has completed its run, it would be appreciated if you could assist the other group. On field days, everyone stays until all members have arrived and weighed in their fish. We believe Dry Casting should be afforded the same courtesy.

There is a lot to do at the end of the day and equipment can go missing because it is left up to so few to do all the chores.

Peter & Marcia Pekaar