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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 meeting so as to keep up with club matters.

DRYCASTING

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

FIELD DAYS

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

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

Disputes may be taken to the committee.

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

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

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

GENERAL ETIQUETTE

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

CLUB ACTIVITIESJULY GENERAL MEETING

WHERE - M.Y.A.S.G. club rooms at the Inglewood Aquatic Centre, Alexander Drive, Menora.
 WHEN - WEDNESDAY 12TH July, 1995 at 8.00pm.
 INSTRUCTION - There will be a talk on the forthcoming Cape to Cape field day venue, fishing spots, types of fish to be caught & general information. Ian Edwards could be in the hot seat!!!

JULY DRYCASTING DAY

WHERE - YOKINE RESERVE, corner Alexander Drive and Wordsworth Avenue.
 WHEN - SUNDAY, 2nd July, 1995. Be present by 8.30am.
 EVENTS - 112gram level line D/H Accuracy
 56gram level line S/H Accuracy

NEXT FIELD DAY

WHERE: CAPE TO CAPE
 WHEN: 15TH - 16TH JULY 1995
 SIGN ON: SATURDAY 1300 HOURS AT DUNSBOROUGH CARPARK OPPOSITE HOTEL.
 WEIGH-IN: SUNDAY 1000 HOURS AT DUNSBOROUGH CARPARK OPPOSITE HOTEL.
 BOUNDARIES: CAPE NATURALIST TO CAPE LEEUWIN.

LOCAL FIELD DAY FOR JULY

WHERE: NORTH MOLE TO HILLARYS MARINA
 WHEN: 15TH - 16TH JULY 1995
 SIGN ON: PHONE IN SIGN ON TO F.D.O. BY 2000 HOURS ON THE THURSDAY NIGHT.
 LINES DOWN: SATURDAY 1300 HOURS.
 WEIGH-IN: SUNDAY BY 1000 HOURS AT G.HOLMANS HOUSE. SCALES WILL BE AVAILABLE ON HIS BACK PATIO. WEIGHTS MUST BE WITNESSED BY AN ADULT. F.D. MONEY TO BE LEFT WITH SCALES IN AN ENVELOPE WITH NAME. RESULTS TO BE PHONED INTO F.D.OFFICER BY 2000 HOURS THAT NIGHT.

FOLLOWING FIELD DAY

WHERE: DEWARS TO MOORE RIVER
 WHEN: 12TH - 13TH AUGUST 1995.
 SIGN ON: SATURDAY 1300 HOURS AT RANGERS HUT - YANCHEP ROAD - YANCHEP.
 WEIGH-IN: SUNDAY 1000 HOURS AT RANGERS HUT - YANCHEP ROAD - YANCHEP.
 BOUNDARIES: DEWARS REEF TO 3 MILE REEF GUILDERTON.

LOCAL FIELD DAY FOR JULY

WHEN: 12TH - 13TH JULY 1995
 WHERE: OCEAN REEF MARINA TO COTTESLOE GROUYNE
 LINES DOWN: SATURDAY 1300 HOURS.
 WEIGH-IN: SUNDAY BY 1000 HOURS AT G. HOLMANS HOUSE. SCALES WILL BE AVAILABLE ON HIS BACK PATIO. WEIGHTS MUST BE WITNESSED BY AN ADULT. F.D. MONEY TO BE LEFT WITH SCALES IN AN ENVELOPE WITH NAME. RESULTS TO BE PHONED INTO THE F.D.OFFICER BY 2000 HOURS THAT NIGHT.

CANS CANS CANS

Don't think that because Mal Head is on holidays (AGAIN) with his wife Jeony that you can have a leave pass on bringing in your collection of cans for our club trophy fund. Mal is too smart for that as he has arranged for Bob Henderson and Pat McCormick to collect them so please bring them along to our general meetings and give them to the boys.



EDITORIAL

I welcome a whole lot of good articles by club members which hopefully will make this issue of "Reel Talk" a lot more interesting & informative than last month. I get a bit tired of having to write my arm off & I'm damn sure you all get sick of reading my ramblings. Thanks in particular to our club junior, Ian Neal for his contribution, also Ian Mascarenhas, Jim Strong, Jeff Sullivan & Sid Whiting.

By the time this issue is printed our annual dinner & dance would have been conducted & I know it will be a great success as Murray Shaw, along with Eric Parker & Eleanor Bennett have put a lot of work in organising this & the attendance figures look like being eighty persons. A full report will appear in next issue. To all winners of awards go our congratulations.

Allan Brayne made some valid comment at our last general meeting regarding field days which are worth thinking about. Our boundaries are too great particularly our last one & we need to bring them back to realistic levels. We need to fish in groups more so that new members can participate & learn & enjoy company. More knowledgeable anglers need to make the effort to teach newer anglers but new chums must learn to ask or let people know what they want as we are not mind readers.

..... Communication!.....

Allan is also going to spend a bit more time at meetings with our local competitions so that those who need a bit of company will know when & where some of us are fishing & you can all come along & make it one big happy party!! There is no excuse why all of you can't fish locally even if it is for only a couple off hours. Local field days were brought in so that everyone could participate & also newer members would have the opportunity for going on a longer venue. Also keeps them in touch with the competition as well & then they can go on selected away trips when time & finance allows.

I think half the club has been flattened by this flu that has been going around & one of the worst I've seen is Beth Whiting. She sure is taking a hiding but she's a fighter. Even big healthy blighters like Hans Wytenberg & Jeff Sullivan spent a few days flat on their backs.

Peter Osborne, our AAA delegate, will be off the scene for three months or more as he has had to go to Malaysia with his work. We look forward to his return.

We are going to include some advertising of club members & their businesses so that we can all do the right thing & patronise them. Any club member who wants to avail themselves of this opportunity please contact me & give me your business card.

Our open fishing competition looks very spartan & I'm sure that Dave Maxted would like to see an entry or two. If you are going away fishing, see Dave before you go & get an open form or two...you never know.

I'd like to take this opportunity to thank all businesses & people who donated trophies towards our presentation night. A full list of these will appear in the next issue.

Ian Pilton once again excelled himself at our last meeting, giving an excellent instruction period on knife sharpening & fish filleting which had everyones interest. Well Done Ian.

Start giving some thought to filling the positions on our club committee at our August meeting as their are a number stepping down & we need enthusiastic people at the helm. Even though it is work, it is enjoyable.

OPEN COMPETITION 1995/96 SEASON

- 1) MOST MERITORIOUS FISH
- 2) HEAVIEST SHARK - (4.5KG MIN)
- 3) HEAVIEST MULLOWAY - (3.0KG MIN)
- 4) HEAVIEST SALMON - (3.0KG MIN)
- 5) HEAVIEST DHUFISH
- 6) HEAVIEST TAILOR - (1.0KG MIN)
- 7) HEAVIEST SAMSON FISH
- 8) HEAVIEST SCALE FISH - S/H ROD (4KG OR 9LB LINE MAX)
- 9) HEAVIEST PINK SNAPPER
- 10) HEAVIEST TARWHINE - (SILVER BREAM)
- 11) HEAVIEST MACKEREL
- 12) HEAVIEST TREVALLY - (SOUTHERN 1.0KG MIN)
- 13) HEAVIEST TREVALLY - (NORTHERN 1.0KG MIN)
- 14) HEAVIEST SNOOK/PIKE
- 15) HEAVIEST SCALE FISH - OTHER THAN SECTIONS 2-14 (2.0KG MIN)



FIELD DAY RESULTS

VENUE: GREENOUGH/KALBARRI DATE 3RD-5TH JUNE 1995 (LWE)

ATTENDANCE SENIORS 21 JUNIORS 3 M/JUNIORS 1 TOTAL 25

TOTAL FISH WEIGHT - 38.9KG

SENIORS

NAME	POINTS	WEIGHT	NAME	POINTS	WEIGHT
TONY D'ALONZO	218	11.85	HANS WYTENBURG	45	1.5
SID WHITING	116	6.6	MARK PHILPOT	43	0.3
PHIL BRAYNE	77	2.7	WAYNE MORRIS	43	0.3
JOHN BENNETT	75	1.5	ROSS KEMBER	30	0.0
JULIE MORGAN	70	2.0	ELENOR BENNETT	30	0.0
IAN MASCARENHAS	66	1.6	RHONDA MORRIS	30	0.0
MURRAY SHAW	55	2.5	TONY HOLLAND	30	0.0
DARRYL HOLTON	60	2.0	JEFF SULLIVAN	30	0.0
BETH WHITING	53	1.3	ALAN BRAYNE	30	0.0
GEORGE HOLMAN	65	3.0	IAN TAGGART	12	0.0
FILA' D'ALONZO	46	0.6			

JUNIORS

GRANT TAGGART	11	0.1
BRETT TAGGART	00	0.0
DEBBIE WHITING	30	0.0

M/JUNIORS

DARRYN WHITING	48	0.8
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FIELD DAY PRIZES

HEAVIEST BAG SCALE FISH	TONY D'ALONZO	MIXED	11.85KG
HEAVIEST SCALE FISH	Sid WHITING	TAILOR	4.55KG
M/JUNIOR HEAVIEST SCALE FISH	DARRYN WHITING	TAILOR	0.8KG

SPORTSMAN OF THE YEAR POINTS

HEAVIEST SCALE FISH	TONY D'ALONZO	MULLOWAY	6.55KG
HEAVIEST BAG OF SCALE FISH	TONY D'ALONZO	MIXED	11.85KG

SENIOR TOP TEN

DALONZO TONY	537
BOOTH PETER	298
BRAYNE ALAN	275
BRAYNE PHIL	267
WYTENBURG HANS	251
BENNETT JOHN	197
HOLMAN GEORGE	195
MASCARENHAS IAN	176
KOLMAN MORRIS	153
STOECKEL PETER	134

JUNIOR TOP FIVE

TAGGART GRANT	72
TAGGART BRETT	58
WHITING DEBBIE	30
PILTON STEVE	0
NEAL IAN	0

M/JUNIOR TOP FIVE

WHITING DARREN	48
WYTENBURG KARL	0

FIELD DAY COMPETITION 1995-1996**JUNE 95**

1. SECTION HEAVIEST SCALE FISH (1ST 6 MTHS)	TONY DALONZO	MULLOWAY	6.55KG
2. HEAVIEST SCALE FISH (2ND 6 MTHS)			
3. MOST MERITORIOUS FISH			
4. HEAVIEST SHARK (4.5KG MIN)			
5. HEAVIEST MULLOWAY (1KG MIN)	TONY DALONZO	MULLOWAY	6.55KG
6. HEAVIEST TAILOR (1KG MIN)	SID WHITING	TAILOR	4.55KG
7. HEAVIEST SALMON (3KG MIN)	TONY DALONZO	SALMON	4.45KG
8. HEAVIEST TREVALLY (0.5KG MIN)	MARK ADDISON	TREVALLY	0.96KG
9. HEAVIEST MACKERAL			
10. HEAVIEST BAG OF SCALE FISH	TONY DALONZO	MIXED	23.9KG
11. HEAVIEST BAG OF MULLOWAY	TONY DALONZO	MULLOWAY	6.55KG
12. HEAVIEST BAG OF TAILOR	PETER BOOTH	TAILOR	8.0KG
13. HEAVIEST SCALE FISH S/H/ROD 4KG OR 9LBS B/S LINE (MAX) OTHER THAN SECTIONS 3-9,13 (2KG MIN)			

President's Report

Hi all. By the time you read this, the annual dinner/dance will probably have been and gone. I hope you enjoyed it, and to those who went home with trophies, my congratulations! Having seen the trophy list beforehand, I was pleased to see some newer members taking off prizes alongside the regular "old hands". It proves it can be done, and is a great incentive to those who weren't lucky this year, to keep at it. This applies to the casting just as much as the fishing. On the Sunday casting mornings lately, I've been noticing some new chums who are likely to be running rings around the rest of soon, if the form they've reached already is any indication. Guys like Hans are positively frightening - He was waving a huge pole around the other day, and I grabbed it to demonstrate one of the finer points to him, only to find I could hardly bend it. But he then proceeded to whip it around as if it were a fly rod. Once he finds the right strain line to prevent breakoffs (probably about 20 pounds!) he'll be unstoppable.

But just to finish off on the dinner dance, thank you to all those who helped organise it. In particular to Murray, our Social Organiser, who had the lion's share, and to Eric who spends countless hours in the background arranging trophies, unnoticed by many. Well done.

I won't be at the July general meeting, due to interstate work commitments (again!), and the chair will be George's once again - thanks George for filling the role on so many occasions. I hope to be back for the following month, which is the AGM, with Committee elections. I know there will be some vacancies, and everyone, including and especially newer members, are encouraged to have a go on Committee. When I say some vacancies, I really mean every position on Committee - they are all vacated on that day and all have to be re-filled by the election process. Just because the existing occupant of a position re-nominates doesn't mean no one else should contest the position. It is not rude to nominate against another member - on the contrary, it is the sign of a healthy club in which members are keen to share in its administration. The responsibilities of most of the positions are not extensive or difficult, meetings are held in a semi-social atmosphere, and it's a great way to get to know how the club really operates. So give it some thought and let's see a few of you in there on the night vying for positions.

King George

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

The following applications for membership to our club have been received & will go before our next committee meeting. If any member has any reason why the applicants should not become members, they should make their reasons known to any committee member:

NORMAN & BEVERLEY PLANT
DAVIS PLANT(JNR)
18 HOLDEN DRIVE
NORANDA 6062
PH: 375 3740 ✓

JOHN AGNELLO
106 STAFFORD WAY ✓
WANNEROO 6065
PH.306 3133

TOM & WENDY LYNN
100 WALTER ROAD ✓
BEDFORD 6052
PH: 276 2608

NEW MEMBERS ACCEPTED

The following applications for membership have been approved by committee & they are asked to be present at the July General Meeting to receive the badge & etiquette:

SCIBILIA, LOUIE (SNR)
BILL (JNR)
MICHAEL (JNR) ✓
20 MCCARTHY WAY, HIGH WYCOMBE. 6057
PH: (H) 454 8659

AROUND THE BEND - AT 'S' BEND - A DIARY EXTRACT

FRIDAY- Having fitted new tyres, radiator and air compressor, I left Perth 3 hrs behind schedule

Once on Pinjar road I set a steady pace of 65 km/hr behind a bunch of semi's. Passing Cataby a number of hours later, I calculated sufficient fuel to reach Eneabba. Which I did. Unfortunately, Eneabba works on the local custom, "We open when we bloody want." With no option, I drove back to Corrow. The last 3 letters of the towns name tells a tourist what to expect in the shops. A tourist bus had beaten me there and presented a row of people 30 deep at the cash register.

A long time later, I lined up behind the semi's, again, my holiday smile rapidly disappeared.

At 11pm I pulled into the van park. My girlfriend had travelled from Meekathara and was in the van. Asleep, Oh well, sounded like a good idea anyway, after all I did come here to fish!

SATURDAY- Fantastic weather. It was to be a great day, until the car wouldn't start. Some kind club assistance got it going and we drove to Geraldton to see a mechanic. A number of mechanics we visited must belong to a secret club called "Bastards Incorporated." They all tried to sell any parts they could and came up with every money-making idea possible to fix my car.

After lunch, a wonderful auto electrician said, "She's right now mate," and pushed down the bonnet. I gladly thanked and paid the man with the pre-1900s shed, tools and mechanical ability. The only modern piece of equipment was a timing light which I had to read as, "my eyes aren't so good these days." With a fake sense of security, Anita and I drove back for the sign-on.

A good number turned up, and the majority left again, ruining my visions of sizzling BBQ's and fun-filled gazebos.

We first fished at Flat Rocks, where I had one hook-up. Unfortunately I was perched up on a large secured bank, which gave way at a very inconvenient moment, making me lose the fish and wish I'd worn my waders. It's OK though, Tony caught the fish for me later!

Back at camp the day was finally ruined with, "Ian caught a nice tailor." Thanks Phil.

SUNDAY- We (or Anita!) decided to go to the Wildlife Park. I didn't mind, I hadn't seen a crocodile before... Still haven't! After entering, a sign says, "Our Croc hasn't arrived yet." It was good fun though, the cockys really do bite hard, the old Shetland actually moved a few paces and we nearly patted a roo until it ran off behind the "No Entry" sign. What a great time we had (NOT!).

After all the excitement we went to fish at Lucy's. However the words, "Stay as long as you like," take on a new meaning when your girlfriend is heading for the car. After returning and having a late lunch, we drove to Flat Rocks. Determined to catch fish, I settled in. It must be a good spot, cos 20 mins later 9 strangers turned up and decide to increase line strength, tangling with mine. After some frustration I caught a fish. In disgust I threw the bloody rock cod back, before leaving and letting the others fight over my spot. We got lost for quite some time on the only track that "didn't" go where we wanted.

MONDAY- I had to get Anita to Geraldton by 12.30. The "She'll be right" mechanic repairs had failed. Three mechanics, eight onlookers and an RAC van later, the diagnosis was given. "She won't go, you need a tow."

The RAC Rep kindly took Anita to Geraldton. I had missed the weigh-in, but I could have done worse... Did Wayne actually weigh that crusty brown lump of scales and call it a fish.

The field day had ended. After offering me help everyone departed. I sat in the van, looking at my car amidst the loneliness of the empty van park. All had left. (Violins). But no, I was mistaken. Just as I contemplated the battle of Bourbon, there was a knock at the door.

The offer to share someone else's Mulloway on the BBQ was kind, generous and yet somewhat sour, as he had only caught three! I had lunch with four fantastic people, and afterwards came an invitation to go fishing. At 3pm we headed off. My kneecaps are proof that we fished a place called 'Slip Rock'.

The weekend took a good turn as I had a huge hook-up. I played the beast for 1 1/2 hrs into the darkness of the night. My new friend came wandering down the beach with a gaff and a torch. The torch-light disappeared briefly as Old Jim slipped over and broke his wrist in several places. Looking at my line, at Jim, back at my fight line and my conscience took over. Cutting the line and helping Jim, the unidentified creature was left to prowl the dark depths.

Back at camp. That night I was woken by water dripping on my face. The severe storm had revealed the van roof, getting up, the ever-so-cold rain water on the floor soaked through my thick, warm socks. Many nasty comments came about whilst looking for a bucket.

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El Preso at Greenough

Field-days for me are an increasing rarity these days, but the Whittings made it to Greenough for the June LWE, with rotten weather forecast for the Sunday evening and Monday. This weather was guaranteed, because with our camper trailer temporarily off the road, we were tenting it - most regular field-dayers know what usually happens when we go tenting!

Anyway, after sign on was over, and those who knew what they were doing rocketed off to their favourite spots, we formed a group from the remaining stragglers, and headed off behind Wayne and Rhonda to explore south of the river mouth. I somehow got in front and decided to take the "inland" track - "In-bloody-bush" more like it, as we wound our way through runner-hungry overhangs for several kilometres, and put a few more scratches on the paintwork. We finally got through to the coast, and split up, leaving the Bennetts and Hollands to fish a likely looking spot, as Wayne and I wanted to complete the exploration bit. We went as far south as we could, before running out of beach. In the end, we didn't do any fishing that day, but it was fun. Next morning very early, I headed back south with Darren, this time sticking to the coastal track! Conditions looked good, but once again we were destined not to fish, as we spent ages getting a stranger's 4 wheel drive going for him. By the time we were heading back along the track looking for a spot to try, it was 10:30am. Still, we found a nice looking hole close to shore that Darren would be able to fish, and started to rig up. It was then that I noticed a school of fish a hundred yards up the edge of the reef in some rather dubious looking water. First glance said they were buffies. Second glance said they were the longest skinniest buffies I'd ever seen, and I had the waders on and headed off across the reef very quickly. It was rather hairy, with lots of potholes, and waves hitting me waist-high, but I got there and banged a mulie out. The water boiled and my hooks were bare before I could take up the slack. Second cast, and I stopped it in the air, winding in before it even hit the water. He hit very hard before the mulie splash had even died down, and then did everything a mid-sized mulloway normally does - and that's what I thought I had until he tail-walked across the waves. After that, no need to tell you that I played him extremely carefully, not wishing to lose my biggest ever tailor, which eventually weighed in around 4.5Kg gutted.

It was too rough for Darren there, so we found a quieter spot, and Darren was fortunate enough to land a good sized chopper, while I held on to his jacket to stop him being knocked over by the waves. Later, in the afternoon, Beth and I left the kids to themselves, and headed back down the beach to do something we haven't had a chance to do for ages - go fishing together, just the two of us! We went to the same spot where we finished that morning, and could see the tailor over the edge of the reef, just like the morning, but they just weren't interested. I actually jugged one, and Beth got another, which she didn't even feel take the bait, so sluggish was the bite. With the huge low pressure system moving in, I was not surprised - it is well known fish can go off the bite under such conditions.

So it was back to camp and batten down for the storm. Our camp held up, but we still got a lot of wet gear, which took days to dry out. But we enjoyed the weekend immensely. What I like about Greenough is the great stretch of coastline, with fishing conditions, and associated access, ranging from challenging to downright easy. The river mouth caravan park in particular is excellent in this respect. There is some very easily fished coastline very close to the mouth, and easy to get to by even the most novice 4 wheel driver (or 2 wheel driver for that matter). And make no mistake about whether fish can be caught there - at last year's rock and beach championships, most of the mulloway caught came from the beach right behind the caravan park (I know, I caught one there myself). So I can thoroughly recommend this venue to everyone who hasn't tried it yet. Hopefully, next time the isobars will be going up instead of down and the local inhabitants will be more intent on feeding!

King George

TUESDAY- The Geraldton 24hr Towing Service doesn't open until 9am! The average wait for a mechanic is 5 hours when he knows you can't drive off. Therefore I drove from Geraldton at 3pm, thanking my friends with new plaster cast and Mulloway on the way through.

Homeward bound, I bought a new tape for the trip. The wrong one was in the cover and I got "30 Christmas Favourites." Four hours later I arrived home with "The Little Drummer Boy" blasting from the stereo.

WEDNESDAY- Work. Somehow, it doesn't matter what goes wrong, I always come home knowing I had a good time, and always start looking forward to the next one. Thanks for another great field day.

JEFF (MURPHY'S LAW) SULLIVAN.

S-BEND FIELD DAY JUNE 1995

The long weekend 3rd to 5th June was our field day to S-Bend & for some it was as far north as Kalbarri. This was a trip that I looked forward to as, with most good fishing spots, I heard a lot from members who have fished there before. Phil & I set out by 7am, as with almost every trip there had to be a moment of excitement & nail biting. While overtaking a truck there was a loud explosive sound, the foot hit the floorboard, we were off, no time to look back & no idea what happened. When a road sign loomed in front of us, we were worried but in a sec we were back on the road & cruising. Phil was just a bit off colour but took it well & did he say a prayer. A bit later we made a Samaritan stop to assist a couple who had been stranded overnight, not much that we could do but did make a phone call when we did get to the S-Bend Caravan Park.

The S-Bend caravan park is excellent & had all the required facilities & I would highly recommend it to those members that would like to take their families on a fishing trip outing. Sheltered from the elements, a place for the kids to spend a weekend out, & even fish if you want to and return to the warmth & shelter of the caravan.

We met Tony D'Alonzo who had just returned from Wagoie, to advise that conditions were not too good. Sign on was at 1pm & we were all off to find their spots. We spent some time driving along the tracks & scrub looking for a good spot & eventually settled at Flat Rocks. We fished till around 6pm. Not much around a few bites & one good hit then my line went limp, you guessed, a bite off. The next cast sat in the water for some time then, wham, & I was on this time I pulled in my first Tailor. Phil was not having much luck, a little later I caught my second fish. That was it for the day, we returned to the caravan for a hot meal & shower. Early next morning we were joined by Alan & we were out fishing early & tried all the known fishing spots with no further success. We decided to head back to camp & watch the footy. This proved to be a good idea as it gave us time to have a kip. We were out again & tried other spots with no further success. We decided to give it a go & stay out late, by 7pm we were all feeling the frustration of no fish or bites & were preparing to get back, when Phil got a hook up & landed a good size Tailor. This encouraged both Alan & me to bait up & wet the line, no luck, we just had it. A little later we were on our way back. The next morning we did not go out packed up & waited for the weigh in. At the weigh in there were a few disappointed members, however Tony D'Alonzo never fails to impress, he has a beautiful Mulloway & a bag of six species. Well Done Tony. Not to be outdone Sid Whiting weighs in a monster Tailor at a little over 4.5kg, gilled & gutted, the biggest I have ever seen. Good on ya Sid. We did miss the competition that we normally get from Jeff Sullivan, we gather he had other more serious matters to handle & quite did not get enough fishing. By the way he also has a wayward car that did not want to co-operate & gave him an extra night in Geraldton much to his pleasure!!!!!!

I thoroughly enjoyed this trip & would highly recommend it to those members who did not make it this year. Thanks to both Alan & Phil for your patience & good humour.

New members there is a wealth of experience & expertise in the club, make use of it. The experienced members are there to assist you at any time all you have to do is seek their assistance. I have learned a fair bit & am continuing to do so. Enjoy every field day no matter what you want to do, be it 4 wheel driving fishing or just having a social outing make the best of it.....

Tight lines till we next meet.....

Ian Mascarenhas

LIST OF FIELD DAYS FOR 1995 -1996

MAY	13th - 14th	Rottnest Island
JUNE (LWE)	3th - 5th	Greenough / Kalbarri in 1995
JULY	15th - 16th	Cape to Cape
AUGUST	12th - 13th	Dewars to Moore River
SEPTEMBER	16th - 17th	Rottnest
OCTOBER (LWE)	30th Sept - 2nd Oct	Peaceful Bay Area
NOVEMBER	11th - 12th	Hill River
DECEMBER	16th - 17th	White Hills
JANUARY	6th - 7th?	Mandurah 500 combined with the January Field Day
FEBRUARY	11th - 12th	Wedge Island
MARCH (LWE)	4th - 6th	Bluff Creek
APRIL	State Rock and Beach Titles in Esperance? Combined with a week long club trip.	

These field days will be voted on at the April general meeting

RECORDER

Well Surfcasters, it's the wind up to another successful year of club activities & competition fishing for you all.

I will leave it to others to comment on activities. However, my job is to record for you & to present to you your achievement result throughout & at the end of the season.

CLUB FISH RECORDS

There has been no record toppled this year. It is of little wonder, as fish weights that are recorded are phenomenal compared with the average fish we are able to even get near to from shore. Even if we do travel 6 to 700 kms to get a sniff & glimpse of these fish. Don't be deluded by my comment. I feel & know that they are there but will not hop on your hook. You will need all the guile & strength to get them on your scales. I wish you the best of whatever it takes & will be the first to congratulate any member who has the good fortune to break one of these records.

OPEN FISHING COMPETITION

This season has been reasonable re; filling up the nominated species sections. Eight out of the fifteen sections being grabbed. All fish being caught in the Kalbarri to Dirk Hartog Island area as previously mentioned, 6 to 700 kms from home. Well Done to those Surfcasters. You are privileged to be able to get there & have certainly obtained a little ability re; fishing to achieve results.

LINE RATIO BADGE

Here I offer my apologies to Mark Philpot. He achieved the distinction of gaining the ratio 2-1 badge & I very neglectfully failed to present him with his badge at the dinner. Mark, you have every right to kick me up the pants. Ever since I became a member, this section has intrigued me. I have been a Surfcaster for eight years now & during that time no member has thought of having a go at this section. In fact records that I have, show the last award to be in 1987. Alan Wintle 4-1. Please accept my apologies Mark, I will get that badge to you ASAP.

How about more members taking up this challenge. Arm yourself with a suitable rod & good reel with excellent drag. Pop on an excellent 1kg line & belt hell out of the metro waters. With patience you will be rewarded. Salmon being obvious fish to aim for. Good Fishing!!

SPORTSMAN OF THE YEAR

SURFCASTING & ANGLING CLUB OF WA
CLUB SPORTSMAN OF THE YEAR 1994 - 1995

<u>COMPETITOR</u>	<u>TOTAL POINTS</u>	<u>DRYCASTING</u>	<u>FIELD DAY</u>
G. HOLMAN	70	54	16
T. D'ALONZO	68	6	62
S. WHITING	60	42	18
P. MCCORMACK	49	-	49
G. GILDERSLEEVE	48	48	-
E. PARKER	45	33	12
I. COOK	45	22	23
A. BRAYNE	36	-	36
H. WYTENBURG	34	12	22
I. MASCARENHAS	34	-	34

Well done George. Excellent achievement given your circumstances. Persistence reaps achievement. As the list will show George has achieved Sportsman Of The Year. Eleven times out of the seventeen as far as records show. These results must say something, they speak for themselves. This has to be the most prestigious award the club presents & as the criteria displays a good regular attendance at both Drycasting & Field Days, & with some persistence & good fortune you too can make this award yours. How about it?

78 - 79 G. HOLMAN 76 PTS
79 - 80 G. HOLMAN 83 PTS
80 - 81 G. HOLMAN 109 PTS
81 - 82 B. LEICESTER 54 PTS
82 - 83 G. HOLMAN N.K.
83 - 84 T. D'ALONZO 91 PTS
84 - 85 T. D'ALONZO 106 PTS
85 - 86 G. HOLMAN 119 PTS

86 - 87 P. OSBOURNE 112 PTS
87 - 88 G. HOLMAN 123 PTS
88 - 89 E. PARKER 97 PTS
89 - 90 G. HOLMAN 108 PTS
90 - 91 G. HOLMAN 86 PTS
91 - 92 G. HOLMAN 94 PTS
92 - 93 J. REELEY 99 PTS
94 - 95 G. HOLMAN 70 PTS

AAA of WA REPORT

George Holman was our only representative at the June meeting of the above which had a somewhat small attendance of other club delegates - a total of twenty.

It was decided to hold the State Drycasting at Yokine Reserve on Sunday, 26th November 1995 subject to booking venue.

Delegates were reminded of the special drycasting meeting to be held at our club rooms on Monday, 10th July at 8pm. Anyone interested in casting is invited to attend & all aspects will be looked at - post mortem of Geraldton, State Championships, coaching & planning for the next National Titles to be held at Rainbow Beach in Queensland in July 1997. Please attend!

The Recreational Fishing Council reported that they were still negotiating with the Minister, Monty House, regarding beach access to the Port Kennedy for fishing. They also reported that an infestation of worms (which look like sea grass) has been found in large numbers in Cockburn Sound & has started to encroach into the Swan River. There is no known way to stop this & it has been brought in by ships which discharge ballast water in our port.....frightening isn't it?

A motion was debated (to be voted on next meeting) which suggests that in State events if a team of six plus one reserve competes, all seven are included & the reserve becomes the lowest point scorer. This principal applies in all events & categories (3 plus 1 in ladies & juniors etc...). Has some merit!

Another notice of motion that in essence says that only financial club members can compete in their club teams in State Competition was tabled. There were a couple of unhappy clubs who objected to substitutes competing in other club teams therefore strengthening that team so that they ended up winning. They don't want composite teams!

A letter to be sent to the City of Stirling requesting that the North Beach jetty be extended by 15 metres to benefit disabled, pensioners & children for recreational fishing. The People with Disabilities Act (1993) is to be quoted as this is one of the considerations which has to be looked at by all councils.

John Carter requested club calendars of events so they could be included in a special calendar to be produced by the Recreational Fishing Council.

The Minister is in the throws of forming a new Recreational Fishing Advisory Council to manage our recreational fishing & he wants to have this in force by early July. The following extracts make interesting reading particularly on the format of the 14 delegates & chairperson.

The annual general meeting of the WA division will be held on the 15th August & there are a number of positions on the executive that need to be filled.

The annual fees to the association are due in July.

Also the Presentation of Awards night will be held on the 26th August, the venue to be announced next month.

FISHING LOCATIONS

Jim Strong wrote me a note with a suggestion that we should include in "Reel Talk" reports from members where the fish are biting.....particularly locally. This is to encourage members to write & advise their fellow members where the fish are active. My thanks to Jim & here is his resume.

Here are a few areas I have fished this season & over the years.

Hillgryns Marina - South & North walls. At present early mornings & evenings; herring, Gardies, Pilch & small tailor are being caught.

Ocean Reef - Also for herring, Gardies early morning & evening & small tailor.

Cottesloe Groyne - Herrings, Gardies & Silver Bream.

Swanbourne Drain - Herring, Gardies Salmon & Tailor again early morning.

Grant St Cottesloe - Herring, Gardies & Silver Bream.

Fremantle Moles - North & South. Trevally, Herring, Gardies & small tailor in the evening.

Cobourm Sound, Woodsman Point - Variety of fish. Herring, Gardies, Trevally & Snapper in a north west blow & rug up well.

The New Cut at Mandurah - Producing a range of fish. Herring, Gardies & Mulloway.

The Dawesville Cut - has been producing Tailor, Trevally, Herring, Gardies & a variety of fish species.

Members may respond & keep the information coming forward. Generally during June/July most metro beaches are full of seaweed & in this case I've always fished off groynes to avoid the heavy seaweed

JIM STRONG

APPOINTMENT OF NEW RECREATIONAL FISHING ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBERS

The Recreational Fishing Advisory Committee (RFAC) was appointed in 1992 as a result of a two year review of recreational fisheries in Western Australia. Prior to that, an interim committee was appointed to oversee the two year review process.

Part 4, Division 2 of the Fish Resources Management Act 1994 defines the Recreational Fishing Advisory Committee as a statutory body with revised membership. The new Act also provides for the appointment of an independent chairperson to this statutory committee.

The current committee members are aware that their terms of appointment will expire with the proclamation of the new act. The new Act necessitates significant changes to the constitution of the committee, particularly in relation to greater regional representation. This will result in the Recreational Fishing Advisory Committee taking a much more strategic view of state wide recreational fishing issues, & being more accountable to regional recreational fishers for its actions.

Section 33, Part 2 of the new Act defines a composition of the Recreational Fishing Advisory Committee as being 14 persons consisting of:

- The Executive Director of the Fisheries Department or his nominee;
- 6 persons appointed by the Minister who represent regional recreational fishing interests;
- 1 person who represents the recreational fishing media;
- 1 person who represents the fishing tackle industry;
- 1 person nominated by the Western Australian Recreational & Sport Fishing Council;
- 1 person who represents the interests of the community;
- 1 person of Aboriginal descent who represents the interests of Aboriginal people.
- 1 person who will be appointed chairperson. Section 33(2)(h) of the new Act states "one (member) is to be a person appointed by the Minister who has an interest in recreational fishing issues but who in the Ministers opinion is independent of the Department & has no commercial interest in recreational fishing" Section 35 goes on to say that this person will be the chairperson of the Advisory Committee.

The Fisheries Department will provide Executive Officer & secretarial support for this committee.

It would be appreciated if your Council could forward its nomination of a representative of the Western Australian Recreational Fishing Advisory Committee.

I would appreciate your nomination as soon as possible as I expect to make the appointments by 1 July 1995. I will advise successful & unsuccessful nominees when I have finalised my decision. Thank you for your assistance on this matter.

Yours sincerely,
Monty House MLA
MINISTER FOR FISHERIES

DRYCASTING REPORT JUNE 95

Arriving at the oval at 6.45am, the temperature was 1.5C. At 7.15am I stepped out of the car & it was 1.3C. Graeme Reeley turned up right then & I was satisfied; I wasn't the only idiot.

Setting the courts was slightly difficult as the mist only enabled clear vision to 15M. As the oval & our feet thawed out, Andy & a few others began arriving. A total of 14 competitors showed up, which was good considering the cold. Finally the mist cleared & after a few adjustments to the courts we began. Sid Whiting was a bit off balance all morning & had a hard time getting straight. Hans managed to score eventually while George & Garry casually stroked ahead with consistency.

Veterans were lacking in numbers & I wish I could've stayed in bed too. Trevor & Ray are likely to give Jim some keen competition this year judging by their results.

All the Juniors & Minis were in great spirits considering getting dragged out of bed on the coldest recorded day ever in Perth.

I must make a special mention of Beth Whiting who had a severe dose of the flu & yet managed to help all morning. A number of members turned up for assistance with their casting. It's great to see, that's the idea. By 1.00pm the car was packed, the oval clear & the carpark empty. Thanks to all who braved the mist & frost, & for all the hot cups of tea.

See you all in July. REMEMBER; CONSISTENCY WILL WIN.

DATE: 11/06/95									
NAME	112 GRAM			ART BAIT			D.H. ACC	S.H. ACC	DAY TOTAL
	1	2	TOTAL	1	2	TOTAL			
SENIORS									
G REELEY	112	-	11	-	106	11	123	28	173
S WHITING	-	-	-	-	108	11	139	18	168
G GILDERSLEEVE	135	139	27	-	106	11	117	28	183
J SULLIVAN	115	115	23	98	-	10	75	5	113
H WYTENBURG	-	133	13	-	-	-	79	24	116
G HOLMAN	147	148	30	116	121	24	106	23	183
E PARKER	126	122	25	-	-	-	88	16	129
VETERANS									
J STRONG	104	92	20	82	-	8	143	16	187
T STAM	48	94	14	73	80	15	92	27	148
R KILICK	97	-	10	74	80	14	133	10	167
JUNIORS									
D REID	56	50	11	36	59	10	59	13	93
S PILTON	60	95	16	-	81	8	104	11	139
D WHITING	79	58	14	50	35	8	88	6	116
MINI JUNIORS									
DARR. WHITING	63	55	12	42	54	10	25	15	62
112 GRAM WINNER	G. HOLMAN 30 PTS								
ARTIFICIAL BAIT WINNER	G. HOLMAN 24 PTS								
D/H ACCURACY WINNER	SEN: SID WHITING 139 PTS VET: JIM STRONG 143 PTS								
S/H ACCURACY WINNER	G. REELEY & G. GILDERSLEEVE 28 PTS								
WINNER OF THE DAY	SEN: G. GILDERSLEEVE & G. HOLMAN 183 PTS								
	VET: J. STRONG 187 PTS								
JUNIOR WINNER	STEVE PILTON 139 PTS								
MINI JUNIOR WINNER	DARREN WHITING 62 PTS								

PEMBERTON REPORT

On the 20th and 21st May Dad, I and a few mates went fishing for Salmon near Pemberton. We left around 3.30am on Saturday 20th heading for Pemberton. We arrived at Pemberton around 8.00am. We had something to eat then we got out to map to plan our route to the beach. We left Pemberton around 8.30 heading to the beach. There was around 30kms of track to the beach. (What a beautiful drive through the forest.) We finally reached Warren Beach around 9.30am. We drove up the beach to the Warren River. I thought we wouldn't catch any fish because it was very rough - there were 4/5 rows of breakers - and there were dirty patches of water. After talking to a couple of people we went back down the beach for around 200metres to where they said we were sure to catch some fish. The others got out their gear and bait and started to fish while I was putting new line on my reel. When I had finished and rigged up the others had already caught a couple of salmon. I baited up and threw out. About 5 mins later I was on and 15 mins later I landed my first Salmon (my biggest fish yet). I baited up again and caught another one. We all caught our quota and after scaling and filleting our fish we packed up headed back to Malingup Beach to a spot out of the wind where we set up camp. We had tea and sat around the fire talking then a couple of us tried fishing but having no luck we turned in and slept till morning. After breakfast we packed up our camp, found a fishing spot where we caught more Salmon. After cleaning up we headed home taking a slight detour to see Slopey Rock. From about Augusta it pelted with rain all the way home.

Ian Neal