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# **Surf Casting & Angling Club of W.A. (Inc.)**

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# Club Membership Fees are Now Due.

Fees for 2002/2003 were due on 1 May, and definitely must be paid by 31 July. That's this month.

Membership type.	Annual Fee.
Single Adult Membership	\$75
Family Membership, includes partner and dependent school age children under 18, or over 18 if earning less than the tax free threshold per year. see Club Constitution Section 3(f)	\$85
Independent Junior Membership, under 16 years old.	\$50
Concession Membership for a member aged 60 years and over, who has been financial for at least five consecutive years.	\$37.50
Associate Membership.	\$25

We published the current list of members and their membership types (single, family, etc) in the May Reel Talk. Please complete all the details on the form on Page 19 of the May Reel Talk, change any details which are not correct, particularly for family members to be covered, and send or hand the form to the Secretary with your payment.

If you do not intend to continue with your club membership, please advise the Club Secretary. Contact details are on page 2.

The August Reel Talk will not be sent to members who have not paid by 31 July.

# Payment and Receipt Details Needed.

Nearly all financial records for the club from July 2000 up to April 2002 are missing as a result of a reported theft from the previous Treasurer's vehicle. All cheque butts, bank statements, accounts from suppliers, records of payments to suppliers, receipts issued by the club, membership payment records, bank deposit records, cash payments, etc are missing. The Club needs to rebuild these records.

All money paid at or after the April General Meeting, or posted to the Club's PO Box from early April onwards, has been handled by the Secretary and is recorded OK.

We have obtained the bank statements for the cheque account from the beginning of June 2001 up to the present, but will need to pay the bank for earlier bank statements, deposit records, and details of who the cheques were paid to.

**PLEASE** if you have any receipts from the club, your personal or business cheque butt records, or records or memory of cash payments you have made to the club between 1 July 2000 and April 2002, please copy or write out the details and hand or send the information to the Secretary as soon as possible.

# Committee Elections.

Another year gone already? Surely not? Well nearly! The Annual General Meeting will be held in August and the Committee for 2002/2003 needs to be elected.

All Committee positions will become vacant. Some existing Committee members will offer to continue in their present job or in a different job, but every one must be elected or re-elected by you, the members of the club.

If you are interested in helping to run the club, or want to find out what's involved, contact the Secretary or any member of Committee, and get someone to nominate you at the AGM.

Some years ago Derry Barber listed what each Committee position needs to do. We will update those lists. There's nothing difficult or heavy handed in those, just making it clear what a Committee person is committing to do for the club. There is plenty of help available from other Committee members.

There are some jobs which don't need much time or can be shared by arrangement. It's interesting and rewarding, and you really get to know people in the club.

Remember, you get out of the Club what you put in to it!

If you haven't paid your membership fees, under the Constitution you are NOT eligible to stand for, or vote for Committee.

#### Club Committee for the Year 2001/2002

Drycasting Officer / Social Organiser President Assistant Drycasting Officer

Ross Kember **Bob Henderson** Terry Willison

Field Day Officer Assistant Field Day Officer. Vice President

Peter Stoeckel John Jardine Damian D'Mello

Secretary / Reel Talk Editor / Web Treasurer and Property Officer Recorder

Page Ian Cook Terry Fuller

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E-mail:- terryafuller@bigpond.com See Wanted notice on Page 10 P.O. Box 2032, Marmion W.A. 6020

Membership Coordinator Committee Person Committee Person Derry Barber Chas Riegert Mathew Sneddon

Contact Secretary.

Immediate Past President. A.A.A. Delegates

> George Holman Bob Henderson

#### Club Information.

Meetings:- The monthly general meeting is usually held on the 2nd Wednesday of the month at 8.00 pm. All members should endeavour to attend the meeting so as to keep up with club matters.

Dry Casting:- Competitions are usually held on the first Sunday of each month. Instruction is available to all new and existing members who want to learn and maintain the standard of their casting.

Field Days:- Are normally on the weekend following the General meeting. It is compulsory for safety reasons 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.

Entries:- for Game fish badges, Club records, and Open fishing competitions must be lodged with the Recorder within 30 days of capture, using the approved club forms.

**Members:-** Please notify the Secretary of any change of address, email or phone numbers.

Membership:- If any member intends to resign from the club, a letter of resignation should be sent to the Secretary. Membership fees must be paid to the Treasurer, become due on 1st May each year, and must be paid in full by the 31st July.

Club's Constitution and Competition Rules:- cover all the rules under which the club and the members operate. Contact the Secretary for more information.

All Correspondence:- to be addressed to the Club's Postal Address, PO Box 2032, Marmion WA. 6020

Life Members:- Doug Edward, Lloyd Dunn, Ric Parker, Jim Strong, Bob Klein, George Holman, Ian Cook.

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George Holman

#### Minutes of General Meeting, 12 June 2002

Venue:- Yokine Bowling Club Time 8:00 PM. President Ross Kember presiding.

**Present:-** 28 senior members, 2 visitors.

Apologies:- John Hall, Ian Cook, Jerry Krygsman, Mat Sneddon, John Barnes, Terry Ring.

**Visitors:-** Paul Thompson, Peter Mahony.

**New Members:-** Jim Yeates and Basil Marsh were welcomed to the Club.

New Members Applications:- Vic Dunstan, Tony Slate.

Previous Minutes:- Published in the Reel Talk. Moved Jim Strong seconded Peter Stoeckel, these are a

true record. Carried.

Previous Committee:- An article to be published in Reel Talk about the reasons for the changes to Field Day

eligible species.

Correspondence Out:- Tim Tran, Tony and Nikki Dean, Frank Zanatta, Vic Dunstan, Robin Hick, Paul

Thompson. Letters with information about the club, brochure and application form. Gerry and Robyn Krygsman, John, Sharon, Clinton and Justin Barnes, Jim and Maria Yeates, Basil Marsh, John Hall, Advising acceptance as members, invitation to June

meeting.

Emily Woodford, Junior membership.

Emails Ray White Kalbarri, bookings and info about house, querying "unpaid invoice", John Lee, Kalbarri house booking, Wayne Morris, Kalbarri

house booking.

Challenge Bank Application form for internet access to the club bank

account details.

25 potential trophy donors Letters requesting trophies.

Brian Abbott, Fleets for Tackle Acknowledge Sporstperson of Year Trophy and

tickets / invitation to Dinner/Dance.

102 past members Letter inviting them to 50th anniversary.

John Ward Kalbarri House booking.

Correspondence In:- Tom Smith Thanks for invitation, away that time.

Bill Utting Thanks for invitation, convalescing at that time.

Wilf Core (phone) At Melville presentation that night.

Rudy Lerch Thanks for invitation, unable to come due to health.

Doug/Kath Newton Thanks for invitation, unable to come.

Vicky Webb Thanks for invitation, Don Webb passed away in December.

Alf Rutland Thanks for invitation, distance a problem.

Dave Latto Thanks for invitation, other interests, wouldn't know anyone.

Ross Cusack Thanks for invitation, away at the time.

Elisabeth Verrall (phone message) Thanks for help, won't proceed with

membership.

AAA Postal Fishing Competition – FDO needs to know.

Delegates Council Meeting Minutes May 2002

Minutes of Boating Sub Committee

Ray White Kalbarri Statement for May, no bookings, "Unpaid invoice 13/5" \$18.50

for mop and bucket. (Will be taken from June Receipts)

Jiffy Print Quotation of \$463 for 2000 Reel talk covers, \$646 for 3000.

Jiffy Print Quotation of \$221.45 for 1000 Letterheads on A4.

Recfishwest Diagram of proposed Defence Training Area Expansion.

Recfishwest Corresponding Members Bulletin on Access through Pastoral

Leases.

Recfishwest two Media Releases on \$650,000 unaccounted for in

Recreational Boating Facilities Scheme.

Moved Chas Riegert, seconded Peter Stoeckel, that correspondence be accepted:

Carried

**Treasurer's Report:-** Accounts for payment.

Jiffy Print June Reel Talk \$132.65 Secretary Stamps, Envelopes, Paper, etc \$121.95 Aon Risk Services Public Liability Insurance \$753.50 Aon Risk Services Personal Accident Insurance \$321.83 Total for June GM \$1,329.93

Available funds 11/6/2002 \$4,751.83
Plus deposits on 12/6/2002 \$1,231.00

Amount available 12/6/02 . **\$4,562.90,** (allowing

for outstanding cheques and the above accounts)

President Ross Kember reported on the situation with the Treasurer's records being stolen. Club will need to reconstruct the financial records as much as possible, but

this will cost money and take considerable time and effort. **Moved** Peter Stoeckel, seconded Roy Killick that the President and Secretary do whatever and pay whatever they deem necessary to achieve a positive result with the financial records. Carried.

Accountant to be contacted.

**Moved** Jim Strong seconded Chas Riegert accounts be passed for payment - carried. Terry Fuller reported on discussions with Ray White staff. Bob Henderson and Roy

Killick have fixed many things in the house and provided an inventory.

**Field Day Officer:-** Ross Kember reported on the June Bremer Bay field days, 9 members and 2 visitors.

August Rottnest Field day requires a deposit tonight and full payment by July General

Meeting.

Dry Casting Officer:- Bob Henderson gave brief details of the June dry casting. Will not be here for July -

help will be needed.

AAA Report:- George Holman gave details of the AAA fishing clinics in July, and result of the vote

on the notice of motion for changes to the Beach and Rock fish numbers and gilling and gutting. He thanked T Fuller for work for the West Coast Fisherman paper. He spoke of problems with access at Long Point and Busselton Jetty. Terry Fuller

advised of proposals for Rottnest and Lancelin Defence Training Area.

**Social Organiser:-** Planning for Annual Dinner dance and 50th celebration is being finalised.

Recorder:- Ian Cook has 5 entries from G Holman. Entries for species will need a completed

entry form in future.

**Sergeant at Arms:-** Fined people for damaging club equipment at dry casting by hitting the targets. Dave

Maxted and Roy Killick's exploits at False Entrance and Kalbarri provided more cash.

\$11.65 collected.

Notices of Motion:- None.

**General Business:-** Bob Henderson will organise a local field day get together.

Ross Kember explained the increases in costs and club charges. Moved Jim Strong,

seconded Derry Barber, changes be endorsed, carried.

**Instruction Period:-** Speaker advised at 3pm unable to come. Some discussion on the Busselton Jetty.

Meeting closed. 9:55pm

# **Coming Club Events.**

# July Dry Casting.

When:- Sunday 7 July 2002, 8:30 am start.
Where:- Yokine Reserve, Wordsworth Avenue.

**Events:-** 112 gram distance, Double Handed accuracy,

56 gram distance, Single handed accuracy.

# July General Meeting.

When:- Wednesday, 10 July 2002, 8:00 pm.

Where:- Yokine Bowling Club, 10 Wordsworth Avenue, Yokine.

<u>Instruction Period:</u> To be advised.

# July 2002 Field Day - Cape Naturaliste to Cape Leeuwin.

When:- Saturday/Sunday 13/14 July 2002.

Sign On:- Saturday 12.00 midday Dunsborough (map to be

provided)

<u>Weigh in:-</u>
Sunday 12.00 midday Busselton Jetty (parking area)

**Boundaries:-** Cape Naturaliste to Cape Leeuwin.

<u>Tides for</u> Saturday 13 July 1.44m at 10:53 am 0.76m at 8:27 pm

Cowaramup. Sunday 14 July 1.34m at 11:17 am

<u>Sun</u> Sunrise:- About 7:15 am Sunset:- About 5:30 pm

Moon Phase:- New Moon is on July 11.

Moonrise:- About 9:40am Saturday 13 Moonset:- About 8:40 pm Saturday

Moonrise:- About 10:20am Sunday 14

#### Local Field Day for July.

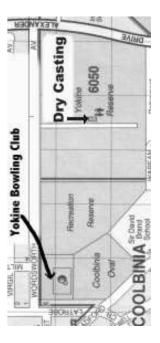
When:- Saturday/Sunday 13/14 July 2002.

<u>Sign On:-</u> At the General Meeting or to the FDO by 18:00 Friday.

<u>Lines Down:-</u> Saturday 1:00 pm

Weigh in:- Sunday 11:00 am at G Holman's house. 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 by 8:00 pm that night.

**Boundaries:** "South" Local, Penguin Island to North Mole, including the Swan River.

**Tides for** Saturday 13 July 1.16m at 10:58 am 0.55m at 8:38 pm

Fremantle. Sunday 14 July 1.09m at 11:35 am

#### **August 2002 Rottnest Field Day**

When:- Saturday/Sunday 17/18 August 2002.

**Sign On:-** At Rottnest (Caroline Thompson Camping Ground).

<u>Lines Down:-</u> Saturday 12:00 noon.

Weigh in:- Sunday when the bus returns at the Caroline Thompson Camping Ground.

Boundaries:- The whole of Rottnest Island!!

Payment:- Payment of \$100 is required on or before the July General

Meeting. No payment – no go – no exceptions (by order)

<u>Tides for</u> Saturday 17 August 0.98m at 4:35 am 0.47m at 3:34 pm <u>Fremantle</u> Sunday 18 August 1.00m at 5:48 am 0.45m at 4:13 pm

Sunrise:- About 6:50 am Sunset:- About 5:50 pm

**Moon** Moon Phase:- First quarter is on August 15.

Moonrise:- Around 12 36 pm Saturday Moonset:- Around 03:13 am Sunday

## **Local Field Day for August.**

When:- Saturday/Sunday 17/18 August 2002.

<u>Sign On:-</u> At the General Meeting or to the FDO by 18:00 Friday.

<u>Lines Down:-</u> Saturday 12:00 noon

Weigh in:- Sunday 11:00 am at G Holman's house. 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 by 8:00 pm that night.

Boundaries:- "North" Local, South Mole to Two Rocks, including the Swan River.

# What to Take on a Field Day Camping Trip.

Invitation to New Members and Prospective New Members to attend the second of our Saturday afternoon Instruction periods to be held at the home of Wayne Morris 4 Covelline Place Forrestfield (P. 9359 2737) between 1pm to 3pm with light refreshments provided on Saturday 27 July 2002

This session is a designed not to just know what to take but what is the minimum to take and how to maximise the available space of your vehicle. A must for campers and preparation for away field fishing trips

For details, contact Membership Coordinator Derry Barber.

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#### Field Day and Dry Casting Fees.

Fees have been increased as covered in the June Reel Talk.

Field Day Fees are now:- \$7 for an individual, \$9 for families. Dry Casting Fees are now:- \$6 for an individual, \$8 for families.

#### Membership Fees Are Now Due.

Your Membership Fees are now due and must be paid in July. See the item on Page 1.

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# Dry Casting Report, 9 June 2002.

Slipping and sliding across the ice encrusted grass in the early glow of the dawn left me and Willo with a couple of soggy shoes and wet and cold socks. Watching a weirdo jogging around the oval in shorts and T-shirt dragging a mutt along (which appeared to be busting for a stop) confirmed my belief that such exercise is only for the young. A hot cup of coffee and a change of footwear had us ready for the day.

As usual the faithful turned up and set about having some fun. With the amount of clanging noises, hoots and hollers, whistles and banter that floated about the poor old targets sure did take hammering. Talk about bullseyes, ...... Ric, George (2), Mal Harris, Terry Fuller, Jim (2) Trevor, AJ and Roy, belted the targets and I've got to mention at least 12 very close near misses. Boy, were the lads running hot.

Newcomers in the ladies section showed great potential and should improve more with future competition. Let's hope we have a good ladies team for the State titles in October. Well done goes to both Emily and Rhys who still turn up and compete in the sections even though it is by themselves.

The 112 gram event was won by George with cast of 153 metres. The artificial bait event went to Chas with a good cast of 129 metres. "Roy the Boy" won the double handed event while I jagged the single handed event. Top dog for the day went to "Roy the Boy".

The 112 gram open event was won by George, but a special NASA award goes to Chas for two casts that went ----- and ended up "way over there". Chas calls it his new "thataway" casting style, we call it the "Getouta here – run!!!) style.

Please, no tears just because I won't be here next month (Canning Stock route trip) but I'm sure all will assist Willo with the same co-operation that I get. P.S. anyone seen that woos (Stokes) about? What, too cold Pete? Keep it straight and long.

Hendo.

# <u>Special Request.</u> Would all drycasters please wear club shirts and name badge at monthly casting days.

Results for the day:-

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	112	gram	]	Art	Bait		Double	Single	
Seniors.	Cast 1	Cast 2	Points	Cast 1	Cast 2	Points	Handed Accuracy	Handed Accuracy	Day Total
Gary Gildersleeves	127	141	27	114	112	23	142	7	199
George Holman	146	153	30	115	0	12	139	16	197
Chas Riegert	155	0	16	129	120	25	121	23	185
Ric Parker	123	113	24	103	98	20	114	20	178
Terry Willison	126	134	26	0	0	0	88	19	133
Ken Black	119	0	12	86	91	18	29	7	66
Malcolm Harris	103	117	22	92	92	18	15	10	65

	112	gram		Art	Bait		Double	Single	
Veterans.	Cast 1	Cast 2	Points	Cast 1	Cast 2	Points	Handed Accuracy	Handed Accuracy	Day Total
Roy Killick	120	129	25	102	105	21	157	18	221
Mal Head	127	125	26	98	100	20	151	20	216
Terry Fuller	104	94	20	75	70	15	148	27	210
Bob Henderson	124	136	26	110	101	21	122	28	197
Jim Strong	90	91	18	85	77	16	136	23	193
Allan Jones	104	111	22	100	0	10	103	2	157
Trevor Stam	80	83	16	72	0	7	99	24	146
Andy Thorgersen	75	84	16	0	0	0	84	11	111

#### Ladies.

Vix Alexander	76	74	15	66	0	7	91	4	117
Joy Brann	64	63	13	42	43	9	40	11	73
Maureen Lissiman	47	53	10	48	47	10	42	0	62
Juniors.									
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Rhys Jones	81	72	15	68	54	12	71	2	100

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**Emily Woodford** 

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# Day Winners.

George Holman	30
Chas Riegert	25
Roy Killick	157
Bob Henderson	28
Roy Killick	221
Vix Alexander	117
Rhys Jones	100
<b>Emily Woodford</b>	99
George Holman	
	Chas Riegert Roy Killick Bob Henderson Roy Killick Vix Alexander Rhys Jones Emily Woodford

Next Dry Casting:- Sunday 7
July 2002, 8:30 am start.

Events:112 gram distance,
56 gram distance,
Double Handed accuracy,
Single Handed accuracy.

# Hazards and Safety at Dry Casting.

If any one ever needed it, the hazards of dry casting were highlighted at the June Dry Casting.

<u>1.</u> During the Open 112 gram cast, Chas was trying pendulum casts and had break offs. The surprising thing was, we found some weights about 35 metres to the right and about 7 metres behind the point Chas was casting from – that's the area many people use while they are setting up, waiting between casts, etc.

As a result, the dry casting layout will be changed. The distance lanes will be moved forward, towards Alexander Drive, by at least 25 metres, and will be placed on the right hand side of all the activity, since most casters are right handed and we expect break off weights to go to the right, mostly.

During competitive casting, safety is generally well controlled. The Club will obtain new safety helmets for the markers. We will look at increasing the protection available to them from the score board, and getting safety vests.

**2.** During practice casting after the competition, a caster miscast, and there were two people in front of the casting line who could have been in danger, because they didn't know were the missile was headed. At least two problems here:- casting while people are in a potential danger zone, and those people may not have been paying attention – which is understandable.

During practice casting, where this is not supervised and controlled by the Dry Casting Officer and helpers, we expect everyone to use common sense, use the same rules as for competitive casting, as far as possible, and always put **SAFETY FIRST.** If in doubt, **DON'T CAST.** 

Whenever you are out on the field, <u>look after yourself</u> and keep a watch on the casting area in case someone else casts when they shouldn't. If we're told about that, we'll make sure they won't do it any more, but don't you be the one to be on the receiving end of a weight from their first mistake. Don't be afraid to tell people to stop casting when there is any danger – you will always be supported if there is a good reason.

<u>3.</u> The top casters have had some break offs which have been found just short of the large tree at the end of the park. That's an enormous distance down the lane. They wish just one of these would stay connected – the Australian record would be smashed by 80-100 metres or more.

We still have people from the public wandering across the casting area, and people walking across what used to be considered a safe area at the extreme end of the park. Moving the casting point forward 25 metres will increase the danger. We will enforce a "do not cast" policy if people are walking at the far end of the park during the long distance events.

The club will get more flags, poles and enough rope to put up a physical barrier around the casting area, so that people will have to step over or push it aside to get into the danger area. This will need setting up and taking down each casting morning, and the Dry Casting Officer will need help to do this extra work.

#### Surfcasters Bremer Bay Field Day – 1/2/3 June 2002.

This event was lived up to its past history with fine weather and good fishing.

10 members and 2 visitors attended and all except one weighing in.

Saturday afternoon saw a number of us head off to Reef Beach to sample that venue and most had success with Salmon and a few Skippy. By the end of daylight, bag limits of Salmon were reached and in some cases exceeded. Both Tony and Filomena were seen returning fish to the briny. In fact Filomena kept only two and released the remainder under our Catch and Release policy.

Other members sought other areas to fish and were suitably rewarded. I believe that out of the 12 attendees only two came away without the "regulation" Salmon.

At the same venue were Southern Districts and Bunbury. I spoke to Southern Districts on Sunday morning and was informed that they had similar results.

As we all know by now Tony won the event with almost 30 kg of fish including a very nice shark, caught (I believe at Point Ann????) in the very early hours of the morning. Included in the bag was 8 species.

One species that was conspicuous by its absence was Herring. I only saw one hooked all weekend, but the master weighed at least one in.

Sunday night came in a little inclement so yours truly trotted off to the Fisherman's jetty for a spot of squid. Lots of signs that they had been there but only enough caught for a very small entree.

All in all this field day was most enjoyable with generally fine weather and good company. Malcolm and Vix stayed on for a couple of days to enjoy the peace and tranquillity that only Bremer Bay out of peak times can offer.

This report would not be complete without mentioning the hospitality of the managers at the Fisheries Caravan Park. Even though we were not staying at that venue, Leon squired Tony and myself out to Black Point and described some of the different fishing spots that regularly produced fish. Unfortunately I was not able to use them but I believe that Tony had some success.

Ross Kember, Fill in Field Day Officer.

#### Signed on Attendance: Seniors 8 Juniors 0 Mini-Juniors 0 Visitors 3 Total 11

Angler	Weight	Species	Fish	Points
Tony D'Alonzo	30.6 kg	8	30	426
Filomena D'Alonzo	14.42 kg	3	11	214
Ross Kember	11.57 kg	3	9	186
Malcolm Harris	7.83 kg	3	11	148
Josh Kember, (Visitor)	7.8 kg	2	3	138
Julie Kember	3.31 kg	2	2	93
John Hall	3.27 kg	2	2	93
Vix Alexander	1.67 kg	3	4	87
Catherine Kember, (Visitor)	0.51 kg	2	2	65
James Hall, (Visitor)	0 kg	0	0	40
Ken Black	0 kg	0	0	40

#### Sportsperson of the Year Sections and Field Day Prizes for May.

Best Scale Fish	Ross Kember	Salmon	3.95 kg
Best Bag of Scale fish	Tony D'Alonzo	Mixed	21.45 kg
Best Shark	Tony D'Alonzo		8.15 kg
Best Bag Including sharks	Tony D'Alonzo	Mixed	30.6 kg

#### Field Day Sections for 2002/2003 up to May.

Section	For	Angler	Species	Weight.
1a.	Best Scale Fish (1st 6 Months)	Vix Alexander	Salmon	4.15 kg
2.	Most Meritorious Fish	Committee decides.		
3.	Best Shark (4.5 kg min)	Tony D'Alonzo		8.15 kg
6.	Best Salmon (3.0 kg min)	Vix Alexander	Salmon	4.15 kg
9.	Best Scale Fish (Other than above)	Ron Delary-Simpson	Giant Trevally	1.25 kg
10.	Best Bag Of Scale Fish	Tony D'Alonzo	Mixed	21.45 kg
12.	Best Bag Of Tailor (2 Fish min)	John Jardine	Tailor	5.75 kg

#### Rottnest August Field Day.

Payment of \$100 is required on or before the July General Meeting. No payment – no go – no exceptions (by order!)

## **New Member Applications.**

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

Vic Dunstan,

Tony Slate,

# **New Member Acceptance.**

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

Martin Eardley,

Maureen Lissiman,

Joy Brann,

John Romano,

Elisabeth Verrall decided not to join the club, due to the distance she would travel from her home in Mandurah.

# **Member Resignations.**

The following members have resigned from the club since the June Reel Talk was published. The list is the people who have told us up to 1 July.

Wayne and Rhonda Morris.

Following Andy Woodford's resignation, Emily Woodford intends to renew her membership as a Mini Junior.

#### **AAA Fishing Clinics.**

The first AAA Fishing Clinic will be held north of the river, Mondays July 1, 8 and 15 at the Hillarys Yacht Club. Prices are \$22 for all three nights or \$11 per night for seniors and \$11 for all three nights and \$5 per night for juniors. These clinics will be repeated south of the river on Mondays September 2, 9 and 16, but possibly with different speakers.

Volunteers from the club to help on the nights would be appreciated.

#### Monday 1 July

Norman Halse, Chairperson Recfishwest. Recfishwest and what it is doing for recreational fishing as your representative body.

Paul Willis, well known as an expert fisher. Bait Presentation and Rigging for all species.

George Holman, casting expert and President AAA of WA. Rods, Reels, Line and Braid, and matching these for best angling and casting results.

#### Monday 8 July

Doug Clegg, local fishing "guru." Fishing for King George Whiting and Trevally from boat or shore, and what bait to use.

Pat Shinnick and crew. Dinghy fishing and fishing for Jewfish, Snapper, Breaksea Cod, etc. along with Squid and Herring.

George Holman, casting expert and President, AAA of WA. Fishing for tailor and herring from the shore.

#### Monday 15 July

Gary Shugg, Black Bream Expert. How, when and where to fish the Swan River for Black Bream and other species.

Barry Taylor, Custom Rod Builder and boat/beach fishing expert. The benefits of custom rods and what to look for when purchasing your rod.

John Curtis, fishing expert with years of experience. Reading the Beach and when, where and what to look for to help catch that feed of fish.

## Suggestions for Instruction Periods at General Meetings.

We asked in the January Reel Talk for members' suggestions.

How can we give you what you want if you don't tell us? We want your suggestions! Do it today, please.

#### AAA and Club Publicity.

The AAA had another full page in the June West Coast Fisherman newspaper, covering the AAA State Boat Angling Championships in 2002 including several photos, and details of future AAA events.

The July issue will cover the AAA clinics, AAA/Recfishwest cooperation and the threatened loss of access to Busselton Jetty, Rottnest, the petition on Long Point, and efforts to get the North Beach Jetty extended.

For photos and all the results for all the AAA State Championships, look at the Australian Anglers Association, (WA Division) website <a href="http://www.aaawa.iinet.net.au">http://www.aaawa.iinet.net.au</a>

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#### Kalbarri House For Rent.

The Club has a house in Kalbarri. The house is situated close to the river, beaches and town. It has two bedrooms and will sleep up to eight (max) in 1 double bed and 3 bunks, has reverse cycle air conditioning and ceiling fans to keep you cool in the summer months. Users need to bring their own linen, blankets and towels, tea towels, etc.

It has a radio and television, stove with oven, microwave oven, crockery and cutlery and all cooking utensils, fridge and freezer. Outside has a fish cleaning facility and a full width verandah. Rates are:-

Public:-Off season \$220 per week, On season \$360 per week } all Club Members:-Off season \$160 per week. On Season \$210 per week } plus \$50 Club Members:-Short term \$45 for one night, \$40 per night for two or more nights } bond.

Weekly rates have been increased by \$10 per week from 23 May to help cover the 100%+ increase in the cost of the Club's public liability insurance.

Bookings taken for the school holidays go from Saturday to Saturday (leaving by 10am). Outside of school holidays it does not matter. Club members need to do their own cleaning on departure, or we can arrange cleaners at around \$46 per clean, extra on the rates above.

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

As at 30 June, the house is available 14 July to 18 October, 23 November to April 17, 2003, and April 26 on. Contact the Secretary for bookings.

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# Wanted - Treasurer and Property Officer.

Rob Mitchell's work and other commitments have led to his standing down as Treasurer and Property Officer.

If you can help fill either one or both of these positions, please contact President Ross Kember.

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# Bring a Friend to a General Meeting.

Please "Bring A Friend" (Friend, workmate neighbour or acquaintance) to either of the next two General meetings.

Derry Barber.

#### SCAC Event Calendar 2002/2003.

#### 2002/2003 Dry Casting Dates.

All are at Yokine Reserve, Wordsworth Avenue, Yokine, starting at 8:30 am.

Sunday 7 July 2002 Sunday 1 December 2002 Sunday 4 August 2002 Sunday 5 January 2003 Sunday 1 September 2002, (change for Fathers' Day?) Sunday 2 February 2003

Sunday 6 October 2002 Sunday 9 March 2003 (changed for Field Day)

Sunday 3 November 2002 Sunday 6 April 2003

#### 2002/2003 General Meetings.

All at Yokine Bowling Club, Wordsworth Avenue, Yokine, starting at 8:00pm.

Wednesday 10 July 2002
Wednesday 14 August 2002 **includes Annual General Meeting.**Wednesday 11 September 2002
Wednesday 9 October 2002
Wednesday 13 November 2002
Wednesday 13 November 2002
Wednesday 9 April 2003
Wednesday 9 April 2003

#### 2002/2003 Field Day Dates and Venues.

Saturday/Sunday 13/14 July 2002 Cape Naturaliste to Cape Leeuwin, and "South" Local

Saturday/Sunday 17/18 August 2002 Rottnest, and "North" Local.
Saturday/Sun/Mon 28/29/30 September 2002 LWE Greenough, and "South" Local

Saturday/Sunday 13/14 October 2002 Cervantes to Jurien, and "North" Local. Saturday/Sunday 16/17 November 2002 Lancelin to Cervantes, and "South" Local

Saturday/Sunday 14/15 December 2002 Open.

Saturday/Sunday 11/12 January 2003 Mandurah 500, and "North" Local

Saturday/Sunday 15/16 February 2003 Open.

Saturday/Sun/Mon 1/2/3 March 2003 LWE Bluff Creek, and "South" Local

Saturday/Sunday 12/13 April 2003 Cape Naturaliste to Cape Leeuwin, and "North" Local.

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# AAA and Affiliated Club Coming Events.

No Changes to the list in the May Reel Talk.

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# Wanted - Aluminium Cans.

Wanted - Aluminium cans. Please bring them along to the meeting and give them to Mal Head. Mal saves them up and takes them to the recyclers when he has enough, and the price is right, and donates all the proceeds to the Club.

At the June General Meeting, Mal gave the club \$95 from cans collected. Thanks Mal!

# Wanted - Back Copies of Reel Talk.

We are looking for donations, or can copy yours if you want to keep them. A few copies, eg all of what we have for the early months of 1982 are not in good condition, so we would take any better copies if they were offered.

See the list in the February Reel Talk, or contact the Secretary. Past member Ted Horsley holds the record for the earliest Reel Talk donated – October 1952. See a copy on page 19

# **Happy Birthday to:-**

Trevor Stam, 14 July

#### Membership Coordinator's Report.

Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> of June "hand's On" Instruction Period enjoyed fourteen participants including nine new or prospective new members. Imagine four tables all building differing rigs and knots including (ganging hooks), and, a rotation procedure ensuring that everyone had a turn at each table. It was fun looking on, as each individual mastered or otherwise the varying options and exclaimed the newly acquired knowledge

Yes we are running another one this time tackling two other areas:

1/ Camping Gear and 2/ "What to take on a field trip" including packing only the gear you need (in a vehicle, which will be there on the day) This session is a must if you intend to go camping and/or go on a field fishing trip. We have secured the services of one of the most experienced and practical minded fisherperson who has got it down to a fine art and can help take away the pain and convert frustration to enjoyment

Invitation to New Members and Prospective New Members to attend the second of our Saturday afternoon Instruction periods to be held at the home of Wayne Morris between 1pm to 3pm with light refreshments provided on Saturday 27 July 2002

This session is a designed not to just know what to take but what is the minimum to take and how to maximise the available space of your vehicle. A must for campers and preparation for away field fishing trips

For details, contact Membership Coordinator Derry Barber.

#### Social Memberships for Yokine Bowling Club.

The club gets a Social Memberships for the Yokine Bowling Club for every \$50 we pay for the hire of the hall for the General Meetings. These Social Memberships go from July to June, and entitle you to use the bar and meals area, but not much else. They don't give playing privileges.

Please advise the Secretary in writing by the July General Meeting if you are interested in a Bowling Social Membership. If more than 12 people are interested, the names will go into a hat and 12 will be picked out. The Club may consider paying some meeting room fees in advance to get the benefit of 12 full months' membership. It's a lottery, no priority will be given to members who have had a SCAC arranged bowling social membership in 2001/2 and/or who have paid extra to upgrade their (Yokine Bowling Club) membership.

#### Social Report.

To all who participated and assisted in our 50th anniversary Dinner / Dance, a sincere thank you. Hope you enjoyed yourself.

Hendo, Social Organiser.

#### **Seniors Recreation Council Indoor Bowls Tournament**

The Seniors Recreation Council will be holding a mixed bowls tournament on Tuesday 10 September. Contact the Secretary T Fuller if you are interested.

# Have a Go Day.

The Seniors Recreation Council of WA will be holding their annual "Have a Go" day at Burswood on 29 October. We have a usual turn up of over 3000 people during the day, and we can expect another 1500 international guests turning up this year.

As usual the club trailer and promotional gear will be on display, along with our casting arena, to teach one and all the correct and easy way to use the small flick rod. Lots of mucking about and fun can be assured.

Any club member interested in joining the show can give me a call, but make it in August.

Hendo, Social Organiser.

#### Exmouth Safari 2002.

The Exmouth Safari was an expedition undertaken by 21 members and guests of the Surf Casting and Angling Club of W.A. (Inc.) from Friday 10 May until Sunday 19 May 2002. Chas Riegert gave a report in the June Reel Talk.

We have a lot of other stuff to go in this month's Reel Talk, so check next month's Reel Talk for more on the Exmouth Safari.

# Garden Island Memories.

John Lee prepared this article for the Reel Talk before our cancelled Garden Island Field Day in February, but it didn't get through due to some email problems. Anyway, John sent it again recently.

In the Reel Talk, I read with interest that Surfcasters will once again fish Garden Island. Seeing the photos brought back memories of great times back when the Island was still open to the public. Although I had fished and attended picnics with the folks many times since the fifties, my first club outing to the island was in 1973 when Tom Corcoran was President, Terry Fuller (Déjà vu) Secretary and the club fishing champ was my old friend George.

The Causeway had just been built, but the Navy had not yet commissioned their base, therefore the ferry was still making trips and the chalets (including the large bunkhouse) still existed. That particular trip wasn't regarded as successful by most members in attendance because catches were influenced by the inclemency of the weather; a southerly buster was about to blow itself out that weekend. I seem to recall that many members spent Saturday evening, Sunday morning, dangling a line from the comfort of the old jetty in the lee of the island adjacent to the settlement. A few diehards like Don Bibby and I fished the South West corner and George I think fished at the Guns, an ammunition bunker associated with a gun emplacement from World War

I won't go into what happened at the huts that night - suffice to say "many anglers took strong liquor and the truth was not with them".

Next morning, very few fish were weighed. At that time the club was experimenting with a "four fish only per species rule" for club field days. I can remember a few bag limits of Salmon but I think the only truly happy fisho was me. You see I had a good number of King George Whiting and the four that I weighed went something like nine and a half pounds and the largest was three pounds six ounces or 4 kg and 1.6 kg respectively in the current vernacular.

I won't tell the story of the effort that went into catching them because I've related it a couple of times in the past, however back then State records were divided into two divisions, shore and boat. My fish became a State shore based record. Unfortunately, lack of resources within the AAA and pressure from disdainful boaties who believed that any shore based record especially (this one) was not indicative of the "status quo", meant that in a short time shore and boat records were combined. So my record quickly went the way of the Dodo because as most boaties can attest it is quite simple to catch very large KGW any time one travels to deep water.

These days, I fish mainly from a boat but I still go back half a dozen times a year and fish that same spot - but from the back of my boat. I've never been able to repeat the feat sizewise but I still get some good catches from time to time in April and May, weather permitting. There are still big ones in that area but usually only when the barometer drops and storms move in. I've been there once or twice in deteriorating and dangerous conditions and caught many in the 1 kg range but it's not comfortable trying to fish whilst at the same time watching for swells and big waves breaking over the edge of the outer reef. If you could just get onto the island when autumn conditions turn a bit rough, I'm sure you would still land a few tackle busters or "kidney slappers" as Cleggy calls them.

For those of you going to Garden Island for this trip, you may want to try this spot. There is a tiny beach about fifty metres wide, bookended at both extremities by rocky headlands roughly southwest from the Naval shipping berths. You'll know when you're there because there is a concrete pylon approx 22cm wide and a metre high mounted on the top of the headland. It bears an inscription that reads something like "Southwest Surveyors Point". Failing that, there is an Osprey's nest which may or may not be occupied, half way down the headland. Because part of the beach is weed encrusted, it is really only suitable for two, or three if you're really good friends or exceptionally good casters.

You won't get too much before dusk but once the light fades, providing you use berley cages you'll get Skippy, Herring, Silver Bream and maybe the odd King George. I say odd because they usually don't school until April, May. I have also on occasion caught the odd Salmon in there and have even seen a large Samsonfish in the area. Berley based on pollard and oil is fine but if you use fish offal, guts etc, beware - I have seen families of stingrays move in. If you hook one of these in country as rugged as this, I promise you won't get it to shore.

Tight Lines John Lee.

#### Don't Think and Drive.

No, that's not a typing mistake in the heading, (although drinking and driving is a no-no, too).

Research and observation has shown that if when drivers are thinking hard about something, their driving performance drops off badly. When people are taught to drive, they should be told to keep their eyes moving over the scene in front, forward left and right, and behind. That helps to keep them alert and helps them to see and recognise things they need to see.

But if they are concentrating hard on thinking about something, their eye movements slow down or stop, so they tend to stare towards the front. That leads to "tunnel vision", and they simply don't register things they should see. That's a worry if they're heading towards you.

So if you're thinking about your driving, that's good. But if you're thinking hard about something else, your driving may suffer.

Terry Fuller

#### Lancelin Defence Training Area.

The club has written the EPA about the proposal to increase the size of the Lancelin Defence Training Area by around 35,000 hectares north and east of the existing one. A summary of what we said is:-

"We are concerned that proposals to fence the proposed Lancelin to Cervantes road where it passes through the existing Defence Training area will restrict existing access to parts of the coast between Lancelin and Wedge Island.

The Club wishes only to have free access to the coast and beaches for fishing. We understand the dangers of access into areas with possibly unexploded ordinance and prefer to travel on made roads and use existing tracks which lead to fishing spots.

We endorse the Recfishwest's Policy covering coastal access, summarised here from their policy on access through pastoral leases.

"The coastline of Western Australia should be accessible to the public. Where pastoral leases lie along the coast, there should be a strip excised from the lease sufficient to allow access along the coast according to the topography."

This policy was prepared to cover recent issues with pastoral leases, and will be extended to apply also to any land use for all land adjacent to the coast throughout Western Australia.

However it is critical that the strip is wide enough to allow access along the coast in an environmentally acceptable manner according to the topography of the area.

The club's access requirements to this coastal area would be met if such a strip is made available on the coast side of the Defence Training Area, and if the use of the Defence Training Area did not restrict the use of this access strip.

We are also concerned about reports that periodic temporary closures of the proposed new coastal road between Lancelin and Cervantes will be required. Should the Defence Training Area be expanded to the very large area proposed, then the club believes that all activities which would otherwise require the closure of the road should be located so that no closures are ever required. If this is not intended, we cannot see why such a large area is required."

#### Applications for Records, Game Fish, Masters, Species etc Sections.

Any fish you wish to enter for any of the additional sections such as Masters, Grand Masters, Species or Game Fish, etc as detailed in the Club's Competition Rules, must be nominated and entered on the form available from the Recorder, Ian Cook.

lan has attempted to keep track of eligible fish, particularly those caught and recorded on the Field Days. But with the number of members and the number of possible sections a fish could be entered into, doing it that way is a great deal of work, and too hit and miss, and some eligible fish aren't recorded.

So the onus is on you to put in an entry form nominating what section(s) the fish should be recorded for.

We'll try to publish a list of what fish have been recorded for each active club member, in the next Reel Talk.

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# Club Name Tags.

We now have a lot of new club members. Those of us who have been around for a while know many of the club members by name, but the newer members will be helped if the faces have a name attached.

Can you please remember to wear your name tag at club events. If you don't have your club name tag, either make up your own name tag, or contact the Secretary for a replacement Club Membership name tag.

The Sergeant-at-Arms may pick on "name tag less" / anonymous members. You have been warned!

#### Rottnest Proposed Ban on Recreational Fishing.

The Rottnest Draft Management Plan for 2002-2007 has been released. The plan proposes closures of lots of prime recreational fishing areas around the island.

The proposal is for fishing to be **banned** in all of Salmon Bay from Parker Point to the westernmost point of Mary Cove, the West End from and including Mabel Cove to the easternmost point of Fish Hook Bay, Little Armstrong Bay on the north side, and more in existing marine zones.

The Fisheries Minister, Fisheries Department, or Recfishwest hadn't been consulted, (and it seems no one else in recreational fishing circles) and Recfishwest are getting ready for action against this. They ask important questions including why do they want to ban fishing from such important parts of the island, and on what basis are they banning fishing - we need hard data not opinions.

There is no fisheries research data to show that stocks around Rottnest, especially pelagic and seasonal species such as tailor and salmon, are under any threat at all from recreational fishing.

Recreational shore anglers lost access to the whole of that fantastic place Garden Island in the 1970's, and this plan could be the start of the loss of all the best bits of Rottnest, and it must be resisted.

Copies of the draft Rottnest Island Management Plan can be obtained by telephoning the RIA on 9432 9300 or from their website at http://www.rottnest.wa.gov.au/

You can also attend one of two <u>public meetings</u> on the draft RIMP which are scheduled for <u>6:00pm, Monday, July 22</u>, and <u>6:00pm, Thursday, July 25</u>. These will be held at the Rottnest Island Authority Offices, Level 1, E Shed, Victoria Quay, Fremantle. Seating is limited so please call 9432 9300 to reserve your place.

In order to be considered, <u>submissions must be lodged by 5:00pm on Friday 27 September 2002.</u> Post to:The Rottnest Island Management Plan 2002-2007, PO Box 693, Fremantle, WA 6959, or fax to 9432 9301

Following this period of consultation, the Board will review and consider all the feedback received before developing a final Plan for submission to the Hon Clive Brown MLA, Minister for Tourism, for approval in late 2002. One wonders who will do the review and you should comment on that, too.

The Premier, Dr Gallop, said the Government supported recreational fishing. He had seen no evidence that there was a problem with fish stocks that warranted restrictions.

"We're not willing to sign off on anything in respect to Rottnest or any part of the State unless there's proper scientific research and proper community consultation. Unless these things are based upon science and community consultation, we're never going to sign off on them."

**<u>But don't become complacent.</u>** Maybe it's an ambit claim, where they ask for ten times what they want, have a big back down, give a lot back with lots of "concessions", but still get what they wanted all along.

<u>Put in your comments. Otherwise other organisations, councils, shires etc., will think they can do the same thing. Show them that they must consult and must have good reasons which are supported by real research data.</u>

We urge everyone to get a copy and put in a submission telling the Rottnest Authority how important fishing is, and opposing these closures. Otherwise you may just have to tell your children or grandchildren why they can look but they can't catch fish at the spots on Rottnest where you used to be able to, just as we do about Garden Island.

A good point, from the recreational fishers' viewpoint, is the proposal to ban all commercial fishing in the area around Rottnest.

Back some years, the fishing around Rottnest was in serious decline and the AAA tried to get the Rottnest Island Authority to support a ban on netting of herring around the Island. At that time, the Authority didn't want to know, but a few years later when the fishing really went downhill, the Authority came back to AAA looking for support for a ban on netting. Once that ban was put in place the fishing improved, and herring are everywhere now.

The Club supports conservation and responsible fishing, and will not argue with any changes which are really necessary, and will actually work, for the preservation of the environment or conservation of fish stocks. But we don't think that applies to such large areas at Rottnest.

Terry Fuller.

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# No Fishing Areas on Busselton Jetty.

Rusty Ellis from Outdoor Sports and Leisure in Busselton recently contacted AAA and brought to our attention fishing restrictions which are proposed for the Busselton Jetty, probably the best facility of this kind in our State and the most used by anglers.

The problem is a **proposal to ban recreational fishing from a large area** around the underwater observatory including **all of the end of the jetty**, the broad area where ships used to tie up. The end of the jetties has the only really deep water on the jetty, and allows the less fortunate angler to target pelagic and deep water species of fish in all weather.

This jetty was damaged by Cyclone Alby more than 20 years ago. It was going to be demolished until a public outcry and donations from many people were used to repair it and keep it open for tourism and recreational fishing.

Anglers were a major group advocating its repair and retention and they put their money where their mouths were and contributed very substantially towards this goal. We are surprised at the number of anglers who have told us of their involvement and generosity towards the repair of this facility, and the far and wide locations they come from.

The jetty then suffered a large fire which caused a lot of damage, and cut off the end of the jetty.

An underwater observatory is to be built which will be a great tourist drawcard, and will add to the draw this jetty has for recreational fishers. A lot plan their family holidays in the Busselton area so they can enjoy fishing at one of the few remaining jetties in the State.

The AAA does not have a problem with the proposed underwater observatory, and agrees that a fishing exclusion zone may be necessary to get the best out of the observatory.

We believe this is sharing issue, where everyone who has a need should get considered. It shouldn't turn into a "one group wins, one group loses" decision.

The fishing exclusion zone should be only big enough to ensure safety of the users, protect resident fish around the observatory, and must recognise the importance of this jetty to recreational fishers. There isn't another jetty down the road they can use.

We understand the original proposal was for an exclusion zone of up to 50 metres, and we think one of about that size is acceptable, bearing in mind that underwater visibility is only around 20 metres.

We have serious concerns with the proposal that the entire end of the jetty will be closed to angling and we strongly oppose this, because it is not necessary.

If underwater diving is proposed (similar to at the end of the Esperance jetty), it should be noted that in this case the proposed underwater observatory is for everyone to use it and to observe the marine life. There should be no need for underwater divers to use this location if this requires the exclusion of others. Recently the State provided them with an exclusive dive site by sinking the "Swan" in the area.

The Association encourages the decision making groups to respect the needs of anglers when making a decision on this facility's future, and to bear in mind the anglers' contribution in the past and what they may be able to contribute in the future.

Prepared for AAA by Terry Fuller.

#### 2002/2003 Open Competition Results up to June 2002.

Section	For	Min weight	Current Leader.	
3.	Best Mulloway	5.0 kg	George Holman	7.0 kg at False Entrance.
6.	Best Tailor	1.5 kg	George Holman	4.2 kg at False Entrance.
11.	Best Mackeral	4.0 kg	George Holman	8.5 kg at False Entrance.
15.	Best Scale fish other than sections 3 to 14	2.0 kg	George Holman	4.8 kg Spangled Emperor at False Entrance.
16.	Best Fish caught on Fly Rod.	Legal size	Ross Kember	0.32 kg Bartailed Flathead.

#### 2002/3 Seaducer Lure Competition.

Heaviest Tailor George Holman 4.2 kg at False Entrance

Heaviest Salmon No entry yet.

Heaviest Scale Fish George Holman 5.0 kg Spanish Mackeral at False Entrance.

#### **Donations for Trophies.**

Trophies donated for the 2001/2002 competition year are listed in the list of winners, trophies and donors. Several people donated cash, which has been used to buy commemorative badges for people who attended the 50th anniversary celebration.

# Winners, Trophy Donors and Trophies for 2001 / 2002.

# Open Competition 2001 / 2002.

Section 1. Most Meritorious Fish. No suitable entry.

Section 2. Best Shark. Damian D'Mello 50.0kg (estimated) Black Tip Reef Shark Wagoe.

Trophy / Donor Oztrail Chair Benbow and Company
Section 3. Best Mulloway. Mal Head 7.5kg Frustration, Kalbarri.
Trophy / Donor Jarvis Walker Cooler Bag Benbow and Company

Section 4. Best Salmon. No entry. Section 5. Best Dhufish. No entry.

Section 6. Best Tailor.

Trophy / Donor

Mal Head 3.5kg Red Bluff, Kalbarri.

Voucher Morris Kolman

Section 7. Best Samson Fish. Damian D'Mello 13.2kg Wagoe.

Trophy / Donor Four Lures Bob Henderson Trophy / Donor Small Gaff Hills Mako Tackle

Section 8. Best Fish on Single Handed Rod. No entry.
Section 9. Best Pink Snapper.

No entry.
Section 10. Best Tarwhine.

No entry.

Section 11. Best Mackeral.

Trophy / Donor

Spare Wheel Cover
TJM 4WD
Trophy / Donor

Toiletry Bag
Roy Killick

Section 12. Best Skipjack Trevally.

Section 13. Best Northern Trevally.

Section 14. Best Snook/Pike.

No entry.

No entry.

Section 15. Best Scale Fish other than Sect 2 to 14 Ross Kember, 3.0 kg Cobia at Steep Point.

Trophy / Donor Small gaff Hills Mako Tackle

Section 16. Best Fish caught on a fly rod. No entry.

Game Fish Badges during 2001 / 2002.

Damian D'Mello 5.6 kg Spanish Mackerel Wagoe
John Jardine 12.5 kg Cobia Quobba

Line Ratio Badge 2:1 during 2001 / 2002.

Damian D'Mello 50 kg (estimated) Black Tip Reef Shark Wagoe

Estimated weight from growth curve 50 to 60 kg

Seaducer Lure Fishing Competition 2001 / 2002.

Heaviest Tailor on Lure. Mal Head 2.5kg at Red Bluff, Kalbarri.

Trophy / Donor Two Lures Seaducer Tackle Corporation.

Heaviest Salmon on Lure. George Holman 3.4 kg at Bluff Creek.

Trophy / Donor Two Lures Seaducer Tackle Corporation.

Heaviest Scale Fish on Lure. George Holman 3.4 kg at Bluff Creek.

Trophy / Donor Two Lures Seaducer Tackle Corporation.

Dry Casting Competition 2001 / 2002.

First 112 gram Level Line Distance. Bob Henderson. 327 points Trophy / Donor Tackle box Club

Trophy / Donor Live to Fish Hat Terry Willison Second 112 gram Level Line Distance. Chas Riegert 311 points

Trophy / Donor Two Boxes hooks Hills Mako Tackle

First 56 gram Level Line Distance.

Trophy / Donor

Second 56 gram Level Line Distance.

Trophy / Donor

Roy Killick
Torch and batteries

Chas Riegert
Trophy / Donor

Trophy / Donor

Small tackle box

Hills Mako Tackle

First Artificial Bait Level Line Distance.

Trophy / Donor

Second Artificial Bait Level Line Distance.

Trophy / Donor

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George Holman
Fishing videos

Roy Killick/Chas Riegert
Spool Line and two lures
Three lures

Hills Mako Tackle
Three lures

Bob Henderson

First Double Handed Accuracy Rov Killick 1589 points Nexium 4000 reel Bluewater Tackle Trophy / Donor Second Double Handed Accuracy. Bob Henderson 1476 points Trophy / Donor Two boxes hooks Hills Mako Tackle Trophy / Donor Filleting Knife Trevor Stam First Single Handed Accuracy Rov Killick 297 points

Ron Kildahl Memorial Shield. Trophy / Donor Framed Seascape Trevor Stam Trophy / Donor Live to Fish Hat Terry Willison Second Single Handed Accuracy. **Bob Henderson** 293 points Trophy / Donor Watch Roy Killick First Seniors Drycasting. George Holman 2148 points

Trophy / Donor Filleting Board Hills Mako Tackle

Trophy / Donor Voucher Lure Fishing Tackle and Camping Co.

Second Seniors Drycasting. Chas Riegert 2094 points Senator Line Trophy / Donor Trevor Stam Trophy / Donor Three lures Hills Mako Tackle

Junior Drycasting. No competition

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First Mini Juniors Drycasting. Rhys Jones 1339 points

Trophy / Donor One year subscription to Western Angler, Wangler Cap Western Angler.

First Veterans Drycasting. Roy Killick 2695 points

Trophy / Donor Jim Strong, Perpetual Trophy.

Trophy / Donor Knife and Scabbard, Car Top Rod Carriers Hills Mako Tackle

Second Veterans Drycasting. **Bob Henderson** 2522 points

Trophy / Donor Two Spools Line and Four Boxes of Hooks Doug Clegg

Open 112 gram. Chas Riegert.

Trophy / Donor Fly box Hills Mako Tackle

Open Single Handed. George Holman.

Trophy / Donor Cooler box and Two Squid Lures Joe Pullella

Most Bullseyes in Double Handed Accuracy Nick Allsworth 6 bullseves.

Trophy / Donor Voucher Andy Thorgersen and Fleets for Tackle.

Most Improved Caster. Terry Fuller

Trophy / Donor Sea Fishes of Southern Australia Neil Sumner, Fisheries

Trophy / Donor Live to Fish Hat Terry Willison

Trophy / Donor Folding Chair Benbow and Company.

Caster of the Year. Roy Killick

Picnic Set Joondalup Fishing and Camping. Trophy / Donor

Trophy / Donor Folding Knife Hills Mako Tackle. Trophy / Donor Double Handed Accuracy Rod Ozflex.

#### Field Day Competition 2001 / 2002.

Section 1A. Ken Matthews Trophy for Heaviest Scale Fish 1st Six Months.

Chas Reigert Yellowtail Kingfish Winner 6.85 kg

Trophy / Donor Halco Lures

Section 1B. Ken Matthews Trophy for Heaviest Scale Fish 2nd Six Months. Winner Tony D'Alonzo Spanish Mackerel 12.8 kg

Trophy / Donor Three Lures **Bob Henderson** Folding Knife Hills Mako Tackle Trophy / Donor

Section 2. Most Meritorious Fish. No suitable entry.

Bronze Whaler Section 3. Best Shark. Tony D'Alonzo 5.2 kg

Medium Gaff Trophy / Donor Hills Mako Tackle

George Holman Section 4. Best Mulloway. 6.25 kg Trophy / Donor Bullbar table Fish Mate Section 5. Best Tailor. Tony D'Alonzo 2.15 kg

Trophy / Donor Barbecue Set Derry and Dianne Barber

Section 6. Best Salmon. John Jardine 5.1 ka Trophy / Donor Australian Road Atlas Trevor Stam Section 7. Best Skipjack Trevally. Don Batchelor 1.0 kg Trophy / Donor Salad Bowl and Servers Trevor Stam Section 8. Best Mackeral. Tony D'Alonzo Spanish Mackerel 12.8 kg

Trophy / Donor Igloo Cooler Trevor Stam

Section 9. Best Scale Fish (Other than above.) Chas Reigert Yellowtail Kingfish 6.85 kg

Trophy / Donor Short Gaff Hills Mako Tackle

Section 10. Best Bag of Scale Fish. Tony D'Alonzo 22.9 kg

Trophy / Donor Four spools of line Hills Mako Tackle

Section 11. Best Bag of Mulloway. Tony D'Alonzo 3.1 kg

Trophy / Donor 4 Boxes hooks and folding knife Hills Mako Tackle

Section 12. Best Bag of Tailor. Damian D'Mello 6.9 kg

Trophy / Donor Live bait pool Bob Henderson

Trophy / Donor Large Gaff Club

Section 13. Best Fish on Single Handed Rod. No entry Section 14. Best Fish caught on Fly Rod No entry

Field Day Points First. Tony D'Alonzo 2742.2 Points

Trophy / Donor Portable UHF Radio Julie and Ross Kember

Field Day Points Second. John Jardine 1518.7 Points

Trophy / Donor Lure box Gary Shugg, The Complete Fisherman

Field Day Points Third. George Holman 1185.8 Points

Trophy / Donor Lure box Gary Shugg, The Complete Fisherman

Field Day Points First Ladies. No one attended enough. Field Day Points First Juniors . No one attended enough.

Field Day Mini Juniors Points First. Daniel Stoeckel 171 points

Trophy / Donor Folding knife, Two Tackle boxes, Silstar line Hills Mako Tackle

Field Day Mini Juniors Points Second Andrew Stoeckel 160 points. Trophy / Donor Two Tackle boxes Vic Park Tackle Trophy / Donor Live to Fish Hat Terry Willison **Emily Woodford** Field Day Mini Juniors Points Third 63 points Trophy / Donor Tackle box Vic Park Tackle Trophy / Donor Terry Willison Live to Fish Hat Most Species Caught for the Season. Tony D'Alonzo 21 species

Trophy / Donor Voucher Lure Fishing Tackle and Camping Co.

Tony D'Alonzo

Trophy / Donor Folding Light Terry Fuller

Winner of the Rottnest Field Day.

Donor Don Batchelor.

Club Awards 2001 / 2002

Hans Wytenburg Memorial Trophy. Winner of the Bluff Creek Field Day.

Tony D'Alonzo with 21.20 kg 6 species 30 fish 322 points.

Trophy / Donor Perpetual Trophy Phil and Leanne Brayne,

Club Person of the Year. Terry Fuller.

Trophy / Donor Jim Strong Perpetual Trophy.
Trophy / Donor Framed and Glassed Cross Stitch
Trophy / Donor Nexium 1000 reel Bluewater Tackle
Trophy / Donor Australian Road Atlas Trevor Stam
Sports Person of the Year. Tony D'Alonzo 113 points.

Trophy / Donor Perpetual Trophy, Club.

Trophy / Donor Voucher, Fleets for Tackle.
Trophy / Donor Rod blank, with Butt and Reel Seat George Holman.

#### **Top Ten for 2001/2002.**

#### Field Day Top Ten Final results for 2001/2002.

	Angler	Total Points		Angler	Total Points
1	Tony D'Alonzo	2742.2	6	Darren Batchelor	438
2	John Jardine	1518.7	7	Ian Cook	429.5
3	George Holman	1185.8	8	Chas Reigert	404
4	Damian D'Mello	1104.5	9	Terry Fuller	383.5
5	Spencer King	517	10	Eric Parker	357

#### Dry Casting Top Ten Final results for 2001/2002.

	Caster	Total Points		Caster	Total Points
1	Roy Killick	2655	6	Allan Jones	2036
2	Bob Henderson	2522	7	Gary Gildersleeves	2010
3	Terry Fuller	2166	8	Mal Head	1843
4	George Holman	2148	9	Nick Allsworth	1837
5	Chas Riegert	2094	10	Jim Strong	1713

# Most Bullseyes, Andy Thorgersen and Fleets for Tackle.

Andy has donated a voucher for the most bullseyes scored during the 2001/2002 double handed accuracy in the dry casting competition. Brian Abbott from Fleets for Tackle Morley has topped up the value of the voucher. Nick Allsworth with 6 bullseyes won the prize.

#### Field Day Eligible Species.

Members who fished on the field day at Exmouth found that Spangled Emperor and Mangrove Jack are not listed as eligible species in the Club's competition rules. Considering the value of these species as sporting and table fish, and the fact that these were two of the very few species biting at Exmouth during the Safari, this omission limited the eligible field day catches.

It seems that during a "clean up" of the list in the past, a lot of species were removed, but should have been left in. A review is now needed to make sure the eligible species lists reflects what should be eligible for the areas the club is likely to fish in the future.

#### From Past Reel Talks.

Many thanks to past member Ted Horsley for donating his copies of early Reel Talks from 1952 to 1954, and a copy of the Constitution of the Surfcasting and Angling Association of WA from that time. This gives us some wonderful views of the early days of the club, and will fill many pages of future Reel Talks.

Here's a sample – the two Reel Talks from October 1952, apparently one early and one late in the month.

Some things change, some stay the same – like days when you can't catch a fish, great club spirit, entreaties to pay the fees.

I have been asked to print more of the writings of past member "A.C.Gull". It seems he had a mate, "I.C.All", who dished it up to the President of the day in this Reel Talk.

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# Reel Talk 1.

Thanks to the President, Vic. Davis, the September Meeting was one of the most successful held and it was noticed by the Recorder that quite a few methods of burleying were attempted over the last week-end. Thanks Vic. for a most informative talk, we all learned quite a bit.

EXCITEMENT CORNER: At the monthly committee meeting it was noticed that a certain careless bod. had started a fire and as a result, the meeting had to await the pleasure of the Fire Department before commencing. Noticed a stranger around town yesterday wearing a black and gold badge in his lapel; somebody told me he was the Secretary and he has 100 badges for 5/-a time. Any takers?

Owing to the married men complaining about the amount of notice given re field days it was decided that when possible, to give notice by official bulletin "Reel Talk", so here goes.

The next Field Day will be Sunday, 12th October and the hours of competition shall be 4 a.m. to 4 p.m. Oh, by the way, it will be held at Quinns Rock. (Yes, the Rock is good now, I had a look at it yesterday). For those who have no transport or don't know the way we will give you the dope at the next meeting. By the way, there's spinning, beach and rock fishing there.

Don't look now but some one is already starting to organise a picnic day for the wives and kids (if any) now that the summer is on the way. Looks like a Metro Bus job, from some of the families I have seen!

Well, as nobody has come forward with any short stories as requested. at the last meeting, I shall have to think up one (not very hard), but quite true.

Before going north on a trip with Dudley Brown, our fellow club member Bill Bridger gave me a 1 oz. spinner which after getting a tailor disappeared down the gullet of a large tailor (about 6 lbs.) Five days ago it was returned from a fellow fisherman of Northampton who stated that he caught a 8 1/4 lb. tailor with it in his jaws and so knowing I lost this type of spinner at Point Gregory he sent it to me. I lost it on the 5th August, 1952 and Reel Talk July 2002

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he caught the fish and spinner on the 12th September at the Bowes River Mouth, about 16 miles South of Point Gregory. Let's see if Ripley can beat that.

WARNING: To those members, who are not financial I regret to inform you that owing to the cost of "Reel Talk" the only people to get this bulletin in future will be financial members and those people whom we are privileged to call friends and have rendered the Association valuable services.

Sometime I wonder if a bird can build better nest than some fisherman with geared reels. Last Saturday night, a seagull approached one of our committee men and complained that the Nest Builders' Association was being scabbed on by the said committee man. The President is investigating the complaint.

Although we have many competitions it has been brought to the notice of a committee man that there is no annual championship for the aggregate point score for spinning. The general committee have promised to look into this and report at the next meeting.

SABOTAGE CORNER: I heard a rumour that Messrs. Davis, Brown and Smith are likely to find their tackle missing if they continue to score points at field days.

A new feature of "Reel Talk" will be the Insertion of ads from members who wish to sell second-hand gear, so if you want to swap, buy or sell your equipment, let the Editor know.

Congratulations to Arch. Whitworth on being appointed Hon. Treasurer. of the Scarborough Surf Life Saving Association. Heard he was the backbone of the Geraldton Club before he came to Perth,

Now don't forget you chaps, the Editor wants to have some "Reel Talk" for the magazine next month, so be in it and don't forget our next meeting at 8 p.m. on the 8/10/52 at Aussie Cycles, Hay St., Perth.

#### Reel Talk 2.

For you chaps who missed the field day, this is what happened.

Some arrived at Quinn's Rocks early in the morning and after fishing for a while, those who arrived (numbering 7) decided to call the committee together and got the location altered to Yanchep. After a last look at the weed, back we went to Yanchep, leaving signs at the turnoff. Although there wasn't as much weed there, it was none the less in great evidence.

After inspecting a large loggerhead turtle (officially pronounced dead by the recorder with hand to nose), it was decided who would cut it up for burley. The old Sec. started into the job, blunt knife in hand. (The B who rung the short straw in on the Sec. had better look out as I last saw him with a spinner which explodes on contact with a human body.

Until the arrival of Brown and Co., Undertakers Ltd., the Sec. smelt very much the worse for wear but after Brown & Co. unloaded four cans of putrid rotten fish on to the beach, everybody preferred the Sec.'s company.

I must lodge a protest for Dudley who said "After all the fish guts and heads (in the drums) were only four weeks old, and if Felix could ride in the back with them for 35 miles the mob should not mind the smell whilst being emptied into the drink in the hope of luring an unwary shark inshore.

Editor's Note. When this bulletin went to press Felix was still noticed camping in the dog kennel out in the yard. We all hope the smell abates and Mrs Hollywell will allow the said Felix indoors by Christmas.

Well, against his better judgment, Nelson Smith caught a small Buffalo bream about ½ lb. or so, and won all sections of the competition as this was the only fish (?) taken for the day.

We're all sure glad for this effort was very fitting and Nelson was the only one who would not give up and so he was well rewarded. Nice going mate, you certainly earned that fish.

Many thanks to

<u>President Vic Davis</u> for his humorous letter re the Professional. Also for his efforts on the carpet shark, so take note boys, for he wasn't joking. That brand of shark is not so harmless as one would think.

<u>Peter Fallick</u> who went 30 miles out of his way to pick up two club members. This sample of club spirit is the sort of thing one looks a long way to find.

<u>Dudley Brown</u> for his fine gesture in donating a bicycle for a Christmas raffle to swell the club funds. Nice going Dud. While you are a member, the club has a big backbone.

<u>Archie Whitworth</u> who gives what spare time he has to making life happier far the troubled angler by his humorous cartoons, also for taking some of the load off the drooping shoulders of the Sec.

<u>Lloyd Dunn</u> for his offer of the stencils for the inclusion of cartoon for Reel Talk, and to all the others whom space won't permit me to name. So keep up the good work boys and we will soon have the best organisation in the West.

Altogether there were 14 bods at the field day, and considering the day, it wasn't bad, so let's see if we can get more next time, eh!

Well, for those who want to know, the Pres Vic Davis is still leading the annual point score for fish taken. Nelson Smith is second, Dud Brown third, the Sec. fourth and Lloyd Dunn fifth. So you others had better buy better bikes to chase them.

Next Field Day is Sunday 16th November at Point Peron. The Camp will start at 4 p.m., Saturday, 15th and close Sunday 16th, at 4 p.m.

Next meeting Wednesday, 12th November, 8 p.m. at Aussie Cycles.

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Any resemblance to any living person who might look like the Chairman of an Angling Club is purely intentional:-

The Davis jaw was mighty grim, and fierce the Davis eyes And darkly looked he at the sea and darkly at the sky He stood alone upon a reef and cursed the buffalo bream Which in and out and round about, and everywhere did swim.

He fed them with a special brew of burley aromatic Its smell alas! was nothing new and quite a bit dramatic It stupefied a big seahawk and laid out cold a shag That sniffed the blast whilst swimming past the Davis fishing bag

The biggest bream, a cunning type of low and subtle wit Eyed above the Davis frame and racked his brains a bit He raised a scaly pectoral fin his bony head to scratch "I'll make old Vic look mighty sick - the blighter's met his match"

'I've had this chewing Mustad hooks and eating yards of line His burley's not the feed it looks; he breaks it up too fine I'll call my mate, Old Wobbegong from off his usual beat To take a toe with a bite or so from off the Davis feet"

Old Wobby listened to the tale, his wicked eye agleam Said he "By Cripes this Davis bloke is just my little dream I've waited long to nip his leg and gnaw his bony frame Since he made me crook with a rusty hooky me starboard fin is lame"

He stalked awhile the Davis shin then peered from 'neath a ledge He swished his tail from side to side and set his teeth on edge He bared his fangs and swelled himself his spotted sides grew large, Like Dudley Brown on half a crown, he made a sudden charge

The Davis eye was opened wide in terror and in fear He leapt into the upper air and gull-like did appear Until he fell into the sea and frantically did splash With Olympic style for half-a-mile in swift and sudden dash

He beat upon the ocean blue and foaming was his wake, He passed two pike, a mulloway, and a startled water snake, His eyeballs rolled a gleaming white, his churning arms were shaking And in his mind he felt behind the shark was overtaking!

He ploughed a furrow up the beach and right across a dune A passing car near ran him down but Vic stood up too soon. He mopped awhile his streaming brow and made a terse remark "This goes to show what a so and so is a ruddy carpet shark!"

The Biggest Bream just laughed and laughed and held his shining sides Old Wobby rolled upon the sand and wiped his streaming eyes "Oh, brother!" cried the biggest bream, "Did you see the Davis go! I'll bet he hates his angling mates these little things to know!"

By I. C. All.

# **President's Notes.**

Good afternoon anglers.

Well, we have progressed through most of the year and have had our annual dinner dance and trophy presentation. This event was enjoyable for most members and visitors and a comment was made by one of our past members that we DO NOT leave it there. I believe that the suggestion was that we have a close field day and invite all those past members that are willing to attend. Some form of social event at a suitable location could follow. I am sure that this suggestion will be discussed at committee and general meetings in the near future.

It was pleasing to see that the ex-members thoroughly enjoyed themselves and the interaction between the old and new was carried on all night. One word of thanks and appreciation came from Stephen Gilders, the State President of ANSA, a guest of Tony and Filomena. He spoke briefly on the longevity of the club and the how his organization could not match the years that we have been around and that we and they do need to cooperate in the fight to save our recreation.

Congratulations must go to all section trophy winners and in particular to our Sportsperson of the Year Tony D'Alonzo and Caster of the Year Roy Killick. A great effort for a lot of hard work. Congratulations also to Terry Fuller for being presented as the Club Person of the Year, an award that is well deserved. Terry has committed to the club and to angling in general all year and has filled a very large hole that has been with us for some time.

I must remind you all again that August is our Annual General meeting and election of office bearers. ALL Committee positions are declared vacant, so if you have had concerns with any aspects of committee's performance or any areas of the club that you can see the need for improvement, then now is your chance. Stand up and be counted.

Fish and Drive safe. Ross Kember.

# Dinner, Presentation of Trophies and 50th Anniversary Celebrations.

We had ninety nine people book for the night, made up of 65 members, wives and friends, and 34 past members and friends.

Vix Alexander Mal Head Brian Leicester Trevor Stam Nick Allsworth **Bob Henderson** Fran Leicester Peter Stewart Derry Barber Matt Henderson and partner Jo-Anne Liddelow Peter Stoeckel Dianne Barber Jamie Henderson and partner Roy Lundy Jennie Stoeckel Hew Hoy Hew Domenic Barbieri Maureen Lundy Jim Strong Hilary Hew Ken Black Ian Mascarenhas Frank Sutton Marcelle Black Rosanne Hoban Judy Mascarenhas Anne Sutton Eric Bombardieri George Holman Ken Matthews Malcolm Thompson Pat Bombardieri Barbara Matthews Kave Holman Diane Thompson Leigh Clifton Ted Horsley Dave Maxted Andy Thorgersen Nella Clifton Sandra Horsley Ron McPhee Kitty Thorgersen Ian Cook John Jardine Nina McPhee Gordon Tompsitt Filomena D'Alonzo Allan Jones Patrick Mulreany Kathleen Tompsitt Tony D'Alonzo Val Jones **Dorothy Mulreany** Ken Wiggins Keith Derbyshire Peter Jones Eric Parker Keith Wilkerson Joanne Derbyshire Roy Podesta Kit Wilkerson Jenney Jones Doug Edward Rhys Jones Debbie Podesta Terry Willison Chas Riegert Dorothy Edward Ross Kember Ron Wintle Mark Farnay Julie Kember Annella Riegert Irene Wintle Terry Fuller Roy Killick Andrea Riegert Owen Wintle Laurel Fuller Nita Killick Rob Orlowski Valerie Wintle Stephen Gilders Spencer King **Neville Risbey** Jim Yeates Gary Gildersleeves Mel Kina Craig Risbey Maria Yeates Mary Gildersleeves Morris Kolman Neil Staggard Malcolm Harris Elana Kolman Robyn Staggard

President Ross gave a brief the history of the club. Doug Edward spoke more of the early days, and the life long friendships which had resulted.

Ken Matthews spoke on the early days, and later presented the Ken Matthews Trophy to the winners. Stephen Gilders from ANSA congratulated the club on reaching the milestone of 50 years.



Barbara and Ken Matthews and his Perpetual Trophy.

Ken was surprised to see how the trophy he had given all those years ago had grown in size to hold the names of all the winners over the years. This raised a lot of interest after the presentation, and several members sat with Ken and read out all the winners. There are some very impressive fish in that list, and that bought back a lot of memories. That's another item for a future Reel Talk – a list of all the winners and their catches over the years.

Members who had been successful in the club's competitions were rewarded with trophies donated. Some of the members wore a path between their seat and the presentation area, but hey!, they earnt them all by competing and being involved in the club. If ever there is a demo of "you get out what you put in", the presentation night is a good example. See the full list of winners and trophy donors elsewhere in this Reel Talk.

During the night, members marked a helium balloon with the names of Absent Friends, past members who are no longer with us but always remembered, and it was released into the clear night to go where the fish are always biting, and friends are always with you.