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Forget-Me-Knots:

- . Casting Day FIRST Sunday of Each Month unless otherwise noted. - Starting times will be STRICTLY adhered to.
- . Monthly General Meetings are usually held on the SECOND Wednesday night of each month at 8 p.m. SHARP.
- . Field Days are held generally on the Weekend after the General Meeting.
- . Annual Dinner Dance and Presentation of Trophies is held in June. Time and Place to be determined.
- . OPEN: Club Records: Line Ratio Badges applications MUST be in to the Recording Officer within 30 DAYS of Capture.
- . Give your Committee any ideas you have. Don't sit on them.
- . ALL Library Books MUST be returned at following Monthly Meeting unless permission is given to hold books longer.
- . Should any Member for any reason need to resign from the Club please send a letter of resignation to the Secretary.

REEL TALK

MAY 1983

NEXT GENERAL MEETING:

WHEN : Wednesday 11th May, 1983 at 8.00pm.
WHERE: Dianella Community Hall, Light Street Dianella.

INSTRUCTION PERIOD:

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NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING:

WHEN : Wednesday 18th May, 1983 at 8.00pm.
WHERE: Dianella Community Hall, Light Street, Dianella.

NEXT DRYCASTING DAY:

WHEN : May 1st, 1983.
WHERE: Yokine Reserve.
EVENTS: 112Gram L/L Distance
56Gram L/L Distance
D/H Accuracy
S/H Accuracy

MAY FIELD DAY:

WHEN : 14th&15th May, 1983.
WHERE: Margaret River
SIGN-ON: 1pm. Saturday Mouth of River
WEIGH-IN: 10am. Sunday Mouth of River
BOUNDARIES: Smiths Beach to Deep Dean

JUNE FIELD DAY:

WHEN : 11 & 12th June, 1983.
WHERE: Open.
SIGN-ON: To Be Decided.
WEIGH-IN: To Be Decided.

NOTE: MEMBERS MUST ATTEND WEIGH-IN TO BE ENTITLED FOR ATTENDANCE POINTS.

**** KINGFISH (MULLOWAY) IS NOW A TABLE FISH AND ITS LEGAL LENGTH IS
REDUCED FROM 40CM TO 33CM. ****

PRESIDENTS COLUMN:

Well our competition for the year for our fishing and drycasting events are over for the year. For those of you that enjoy competitive events how about joining us for the A.A.A. State teams events.

There is the S.W. Drycasting Championships at Bunbury on the 7 & 8th May. It is also proposed to have the State Beach and Rock Championships at Busselton at the end of May. Further details to follow. If you are interested contact the under/signed, or Phone 4479478, for Drycasting G. Holman (Phone 4475106). Surfcasters have always participated and at times done very well in competitive events.

In finishing the year we also have made some decisions on next years venue for fishing, competitions and changes to rules in the Book of Etiquette. In June we have the selection of the committee for our next year.

There will be the normal turnover of current committee member for various reasons will not be nominating again. Hence various positions will becomning vacant. If you wish to get involved with the running of the club but are not sure what it is all about, come and see me. We do have "job" descriptions which can give you further details of responsibilities and duties - yes there is some just plain hard work involved, but a sense of accomplishment and satisfaction in giving some direction or guidance to the club and enjoying the social side of the committees activities.

So if you are interest please give some serious thought to the idea. Our committee is always looking for new blood. There are various positions on the committee which require more or less time and different skills. So lets get involved.

Had a good roll-up at Rotto the last field day. The better half has captured a few of the highlights. She has come up with a point of reciprocity with the Fremantle Club in giving access to the Rotto Hut. I hope you agree with her.

When we have had socials with other club they have generally been very enjoyable. Does anyone have anymore ideas on mixing it with other clubs. While on the subject of socials I trust you joined us for the social/fun night at the end of April. In the past we have found that most of the members are not too keen on too many big social events during the year. Some of more impromptu get together have turned into some pretty good affairs.

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PRESIDENT COLUMN Cont.....

I'll get back to one of my favourite themes. Looking over the activities and friendships in the club this is one of the best d-- fishing clubs around. As you know the mortgage on our Kalbarri house was paid off last month. Not too many clubs have that sort of asset backing. Many thanks to some far sighted individuals of our club who instigated the house.

P.T. OSBORNE

REMINDER !!!!!

MEMBERSHIP FEE'S ARE DUE AT THE JUNE GENERAL MEETING:-

FAMILY GROUPS	;	\$36.00
SINGLE SENIORS	;	\$23.00
STUDENTS	;	\$10.00
JUNIORS	;	\$1.00
PENSIONERS	;	\$9.00

PLEASE HELP BY PAYING YOUR FEE'S EARLY. YOUR SUPPORT IS NEEDED IN THIS VENTURE.

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WOULD YOU LIKE TO BE A DONOR OF A TROPHY FOR THE FORTHCOMING PRESENTATION NIGHT :

18th JUNE, 1983.

Keep this date clear - Babysitters etc.

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APPLICATION NEW MEMBERSHIP

Stephen BOOTH : 23 Salisbury Road, RIVERVALE W.A. 6103.
Brad BOOTH

ACCEPTED AS NEW MEMBERS

Aaron CARR : 280 Lesmurdie Road, LESMURDIE W.A. 6076.
Brodie CARR

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THE 1983

PRESENTATION OF TROPHIES DINNER

18TH JUNE, 1983.

7.00 P.M. TILL 12.00 P.M.

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CARVERY MEAL
DRINKS INCLUDED

8888

ONLY \$20.00 SINGLE SENIOR
\$12.50 JUNIOR

RING: LEIGH CLIPTON 344-1443
FOR TICKETS

VISITORS WELCOME

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EDITORIAL:

The April Meeting was opened by President Peter Osborne who welcomed many visitors;

FRANK JOHNSON - DENNIS COLLINS - MRS COLLINS - ALAN PEOPLES - JEFF BRODEN AND EX MEMBER ALF RUTLAND.

Other strange faces were those of Don Bibby and Ken Jones. Ken informs me that he will be working in Port Hedland for the next 12 months and will not be available for the following meetings so he will be relying on the Reel Talk for all club movements.

During the Treasurers Report there were loud cheers coming from the hall when members were told of the good news that the Kalbarri club House is completely paid off. Members of the club should give themselves a big pat-on-the-back for reaching such a great goal. The club will soon be paying back those members who supported the club when it was most needed. Their loans will be repaid as they fall due or before should they wish it. The President and the Committee would like to specially express their thanks to all with certificates of debentures.

Tony and Filamena D'Alonzo have done it agin, they saved all the monies they won during the year and donated it all back for the Trophy Fund along with a nice crispy bluey, the amount totalled \$49.00. Thanks Tony and Filamena it is greatly appreciated.

STATE SELECTIONS:

Surfcasters should be justly proud of their members for we will be represented at the Australian Championship by no less than (9) members.

In the State Drycasting Teams we are represented by (7) of the (9) required they being:-

STATE LADIES TEAM : (3 required)
SHARON AND HEATHER OSBORNE

STATE MENS TEAM : (6 required)
GEORGE HOLMAN
HEN HOY YEN
ERIC PARKER
SYD WHITING
BRIAN LEICESTER

FISHING : REPRESENTING THEIR CLUB AND STATE IN FISHING
ARE NELLA AND LEIGH CLIFTON
SHARON OSBORNE

WE WISH THEM ALL THE VERY BEST IN BALLINA N.S.W. IN JULY 1983.

A FUND HAS BEEN STARED TO ASSIST OUR CLUB MATES WITH COSTS, SHOULD YOU FEEL LIKE ASSISTING SEND YOUR DONATION TO THE TREASURER

EDITORIAL Cont....

Alf Rutland gave the meeting a breif history on early field days of the club some 33 years ago. Apparently all field days were once selected by a real scientific method: some one caught some fish the previous weekend so they made that area the field day.

Early days at Kalbarri appeared to be a fishermans paradise with the capture of large Tailor - Kingies and other great fighting fish, but it would need to be good, for the trip up was a long and hard one travelling on the back of an open truck in the cold wind and rain and on dirt tracks no roads. Thank god for modern 4X4 vehicles.

Changes to the Etiquette Book were agreed to and passed by those in attendance and a copy will be sent to all members and we ask you to paste these into your etiquette book on the page opposite the rule number.

We have also a new inclusion into the 1983-84 Fishing Competition, incentive fishing. A fish species will be selected by the field day officer at the sign-on and the member who catches the heaviest fish of that specie will receive 20 points for section one. This will give all members : (Seniors Males, Ladies and Juniors) the opportunity of catching the specie and gaining 20 big points, adding interest to all field days.

Until next month tight lines and travel safely

B. LEICESTER.

EDITOR

INCENTIVE FISHING TO BE INCLUDED IN FIELD DAY RULES FOR SEASON 1983-1984:

Fish species to be nominated by the Field Day Officer or his proxy at the sign-on on all Field Days.

Largest fish of nominated species to carry a bonus of Twenty (20) points for Section One.

This fish to be included in the total bag weight.

Incentive fish to be selected from the following species -

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|-------------|--------------|--------------|
| 1. HERRING | 2. TAILOR | 3. HULLON/MY |
| 4. SALMON | 5. TREVALLY | 6. SHARK |
| 7. WHITING | 8. FLATHEAD | 9. MACKERAL |
| 10. SNAPPER | 11. TARNHINE | |

ROTTNEST FIELD DAY APRIL, 1983.

ATTENDANCE : 34 = Senior 20
 Ladies 2
 Visitors 9
 Juniors 3

T. D'Alonzo	13.60 kg	Also in Attendance.
L. Hollier (V)	7.35 kg	
R. Mintle	6.50 kg	R. Francis
P. Osborne	5.20 kg	F. Johnson (V)
I. Cook	5.05 kg	B. Leicester
T. Richardson	4.50 kg	R. DeBarro (V)
S. Sutton	3.95 kg	D. Stevens
T. DeBarro	3.70 kg	Debbie (V)
D. Bibby	3.60 kg	Vicki (V)
E. Korin	3.50 kg	A. Carr
G. Reeley	3.40 kg	P. Booth
S. Osborne (L)	3.40 kg	O. Wintel (V)
L. Cook	3.40 kg	B. Wintel (VJ)
F. Sutton (V)	3.40 kg	A. Pebles (V)
J. Reeley	3.10 kg	
B. Marsh	3.00 kg	
M. Clifton	1.65 kg	
P. Heri	1.05 kg	
P. Mintle	1.15 kg	
A. Stephenson	0.90 kg	
L. Clifton	0.90 kg	
S. Booth (J)	0.95 kg	

HEAVIEST SCALE FISH : S. SUTTON SALMON 3.95kg
 HEAVIEST BAG SCALE FISH : T. D'Alonzo 13.60kg
 HEAVIEST JUNIOR BAG SCALE FISH: P. Wintel 1.15kg

SPORTSMAN OF THE YEAR POINTS

HEAVIEST SCALE FISH : S. Sutton 3.95kg
 HEAVIEST BAG SCALE FISH : T. D'Alonzo 13.60kg

SENIOR TOP TEN

T. D'Alonzo	930.00
P. Osborne	369.20
G. Holman	294.60
J. Lee	216.40
G. Reeley	209.60
L. Clifton	202.60
I. Cook	186.00
T. Richardson	177.40
E. Korin	165.60
S. Sutton	151.60

LADIES TOP FIVE

P. D'Alonzo	346.60
N. Clifton	159.40
S. Osborne	108.40
J. Radford	67.20
R. Sutton	41.00

JUNIOR TOP FIVE

H. Osborne	204.20
H. Holman	115.40
P. Molllett	113.90
C. Osborne	86.80
D. Holman	84.00

ROTTNEST FIELD DAY:

The Fremantle boys have painted the hut and applied some carpentry to smarten it up a bit. As they hadn't been able to finish it all, Brian was asked to organize painting the ceiling, so first item on arrival was a quick paint job by Brian Leicester, Graham, Tony, Alan and Peter. The hut sure looks good now and many thanks to the Fremantle Club for allowing us to use their hut. Maybe a bit of reciprocity would be in order here. What would our members think about allowing the Fremantle Club to hire our Kalbarri House at the same reduced rent we pay? Considering all the good times we've had at Rottnest, it would be nice to be able to return the favour in some small way.

In addition to the usual hut in-habitants there were 8 tent pitched plus a 5 man crew of the Radar Fishing Club boys using the hut up top. The Quokkas were all over as usual, making a feast of berley, bikkies and bait. John Reeley made an exciting arrival on a bicycle, careering madly through Quokkas, gear and People, somehow hitting nothing but bushes and rocks in the process.

First of the mark were Tony D'Alonzo and Peter O. who led the way to Cathedral, followed closely but Eddie and Lloyd. Soon all were hooked onto Salmon, with fish zig zagging all over the place, crossing lines and legs, so that Lloyds first salmon tied Eddie up by the legs and tipped him neatly into the drink. Seeing the fun several others waded out, but the salmon had decided that was it for the day. There were a lot of Salmon about all weekend, but very few displayed even the slightest interest in baits. Perhaps the great amounts of milt found in most of the caught fish would explain this somehow. Do salmon lose their interest in feeding when about to spawn?

It was also noticed that all salmon taken from the Cathedral hole had big fresh gasher on their sides, while salmon caught from nearby rocks and points didn't. Were these cathedral fish being herded by dolphins or attacked by sharks and running to Cathedral for shelter?

Other members were scattered about trying their favorite spots, but to little avail. After watching F.D.O. Steve being knocked over and bowled about on Radar Reef, the Grandstand members decided conditions were too much and left for lasier spots. Radar calmed down but produced little except for Herther's friend Karen's father Frank who found the need of a bit of fancy footwork when a big Buffy took his bait and dived under the reef just when a bigger set of waves came through. Then he discovered the joys of climbing Radar Reef Hill took out (2) nice Tailor from the reef, these being the only Tailor caught all weekend. Much to everyone's great disappointment, the yellow-tail kingie weren't to be found.

The hut became more packed when darkness fell, and the cooking pots and stubbies came out. Dick's Deli was much enjoyed by all, and Cliftons treated us to a great curry, cooked by Lee's mum, we understand. The request was made for the same treat every field day, but we think Lee's mum might not go for this.

ROTTNEST FIELD DAY Cont...

Hit of the evening were John and Ian's clear and logical discussion (about what?) and Laurie. Cooks good-bye treat which took the form of a strategically placed Berley Bath, accompanied by a rousing and heartfelt round of "For he's a Jolly Good Fellow". Laurie's been a super club member, and we're going to miss him a lot. We all wish Laurie, Joy, Jason and Scott all the best in their new venture in N.S.W. and how about dropping a line or two to the Reel Talk Editor or Club President so we can all hear how you're going. We'd love to hear about the fishing over there, knowing that everything Laurie tells us is the absolute truth. Have you trained anyone else to recite, "Little Red Riding Hood" Laurie?

Next morning saw Radar too rough, so a big crowd waded out to Cathedral on a rising tide. The DeBarro brothers and Robert Francis returned with one salmon (Tony's) and a lot of wet gear. Yours truly had the thoroughly satisfying experience of deciding to stay dry and fish from the shore, thus landing a nice salmon which I promptly waved in front of the wet ducks that straggled back from the hole. Thanks to Peter Booth for a good gaffing job.

A total of 12 Salmon were caught by (9) anglers over the two days. Ron Wintle and Lloyd Hollier both bagged two each, Eddie Korin (1) and Frank Sutton (1) this being their first ever salmon for all of them. A big welcome to the new (Lloyd) and potential club member (Owen Wintle, Frank Sutton and Eric Bombardier) who all caught fish and thoroughly enjoyed themselves. Really great to see you out there with us boys. Also good to see Don Bibby back on the reefs and intending to join us more often in the future.

Junior Bag was won by Paul Wintle, who was hard pushed by Steven Booth. Congratulations to both boys for catching fish in far from ideal conditions. Things look good for our junior teams if we have kids like these coming up through the ranks.

Senior Bag was taken off by Tony D'Alonzo and largest Scale fish was won by the F.D.O. himself with a 3.95kg Salmon.

The Cave's Crew of Alan Stephenson, Basil Marsh and Phil Neery (great to see you along Phil) all caught fish despite the high tides, but Basil's beautiful King George Whiting of over a kilo must rate as the fish of the trip. The guys at the cave have less territory but nearly always manage to come up with something good. Remember Alan Stephenson's great skipper of nearly (6) six pounds that made the centrefold in Modern Fishing a year ago? Good on you guys.

Oddest weigh-in goes to Alan Carr who refused to be beaten so weighed in Sardines (still in the tin). All in all a good trip despite the lack of Yellow Tail. A good cruising, and only one unclaimed tent brown on the ferry docks at Fremantle. This can be claimed, along with the beautiful gas bottle at Peter O's house.

Tight Lines

A.A.A. OF W.A. DELEGATES MEETING HELD ON 19th APRIL, 1983.

Both S.C.A.C. Delegates were in attendance being George Holman and myself.

An official letter has been recieved from the Fremantle Sailing Club (Angling Section) in regards to netting by a trawler in Cockburn Sound, this subject being brought up last month. The A.A.A. is to further investigate to see if anything can be done or changed regarding prohibiting netting in the sound.

All is in readiness for the Fishing Clinic which starts at 7.30p.m. at the Mount Hawthorn Civic Centre on Monday 23rd May. It will last for (6) nights and the cost is \$8.00 for Seniors and \$4.00 for Juniors (16yrs and under).

Quite a bit of time was used on discussion on Ballina 1983 (July). Ted Hayman is team captain and all teams are now complete and in training.

Bunbury 1985 is well underway with programes being set up and quite a bit of paperwork being done. The Headquarters and other halls and parks have been booked for 1985. President John Butler has been nominated for Federal President Melville Amateur Angling Club has offered to run the State Teams and Individual Drycasting Championships in September and October, 1983.

South West Drycasting Championships to be held on 7th & 8th May, 1983, at Hay Park Bunbury.

ERIC PARKER.

APRIL DRYCASTING

I don't know whether it's the Autumn chill or lack of interest that's causing the dropping of numbers of members attending Drycasting. Hopefully more members will find their way down to the oval in the new year.

George Holman was the Senior winner of the day with 137pts. George went back to using a fibre-glass rod and found it as good if not better than the mag-cast blanks. I don't think Brian Leicester is very thrilled with the mag-cast after snapping it on level-line. Never mind Brian you can always trade the Subaru in on a new rod.

George Holman was also the handicap winner with 137 points.

Junior winner was Heather Osborne with 134 points and the mini-junior winner was David Korin with 129 Point.

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APRIL DRYCASTING Cont....

George Holman also got the highest points in D/H Accuracy, 56 points. Single Hand Accuracy was won by Stan Renshaw with 28 Points. Good to see you down at casting again Stan.

I would like to remind members that there is a 20c donation for sinkers, spaghetti is included in that price.

EDDIE KORIN.CASTING RESULTS:

Attendance: 13 Seniors, 8 Juniors, 4 Visitors.

L.L. DISTANCE:

H.H. Hew	}	29Pts
S. Whiting		
G. Holman		25Pts
S. Renshaw		24Pts

L.L. DISTANCE ART BAIT:

G. Holman	}	22Pts
G. Reeley		
E. Korin		21Pts
H.H. Hew		21Pts

D/H ACCURACY:

G. Holman	56Pts
B. Leicester	55Pts
S. Whiting	48Pts

S/H ACCURACY:

S. Renshaw	28Pts
B. Leicester	26Pts
G. Reeley	25Pts

LONGEST CAST 112 GRAMS:

H.H. HEW 146 METRES

LONGEST CAST ART BAIT:

G. HOLMAN & S. WHITING 110 METRES

SENIOR WINNER :
HANDICAP WINNER :
JUNIOR WINNER :
MINI JUNIOR WINNER :

G.HOLMAN 137 POINTS
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 H.OSBORNE 134 POINTS
 D.KORIN 129 POINTS

SENIOR TOP TEN

G. Holman	1432 pts
S. Whiting	1380 pts
B. Leicester	1352 pts
H.H. Hew	1345 pts
P. Osborne	1272 pts
T. D'Alonzo	1137 pts
L. Cook	1096 pts
R. Parker	1072 pts
E. Korin	1042 pts
S. Renshaw	672 pts

LADIES

S. Osborne 1057 pts
 F. D'Alonzo 1031 pts

JUNIORS

H. Osborne 847 pts
 P. Hollett 606 pts

MINI JUNIORS

H. Holman	747 pts
C. Osborne	685 pts
K. Osborne	662 pts
H. Korin	576 pts
J. Osborne	571 pts

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NAME	L/L DISTANCE				AGG	PTY	TOTAL	POINTS
	112GRMS		56GRMS					
G. HOLMAN	125	139P	107	110	481	10	471	47
H.H. HEW	140	146	105	105	496	-	496	50
S. WHITING	143	144	110	B/O	397	-	397	40
S. RENSHAW	115	123	104	100	442	-	442	44
T. D'ALONZO	107	114	91	91	403	-	403	40
L. COOK	104	105P	84	75P	368	20	348	35
P. OSBORNE	110	103	84	88	385	-	385	38
B. LEICESTER	130	8	B/O	B/O	138	-	138	14
S. OSBORNE	85	97	65	75	322	-	322	32
G. REELEY	108P	112	91P	102	413	20	393	39
E.J. KORIN	104P	115	103P	98	420	20	400	40
H. KORIN	82	83P	70P	70P	305	30	275	28
H. OSBORNE	91P	98	81	73P	343	20	323	32
F. D'ALONZO	72P	89	70	71	302	10	292	29
H. HOLMAN	87	94	71P	69	321	10	311	31
P. MOLLETT	100	95	76P	67P	338	20	318	32
C. OSBORNE	76	81	47	57	261	-	261	26
B. WHITING	96P	95	70P	77	338	20	318	32
D. KORIN	71P	65P	65	66	267	20	247	25
J. OSBORNE	30	56	30	30	146	-	146	15
K. OSBORNE	47	44	53	60	214	-	214	21
G. GILDERSLEEVE	116	129	89	96	430	-	430	44
B. ROBERTS	-	72P	64P	54	190	20	170	17
C. ROBERTS	52P	59P	50P	57	218	30	188	19
S. BRIDGE	74P	82P	66P	77P	299	40	259	26

HANDICAP CHANGES

K. OSBORNE 50 - 55
 D. KORIN 70 - 50
 H. OSBORNE 45 - 40
 P. MOLLETT 60 - 55
 B. LEICESTER NIL - 10
 H.H. HEW 5 - 10

P. OSBORNE NIL - 5
 T. D'ALONZO 10 - 5
 S. OSBORNE 10 - 15
 F. D'ALONZO 15 - 25
 L. COOK 15 - 10
 E. KORIN 10 - 15

<u>D/H ACC.</u>					<u>S/H ACC.</u>					<u>IHC. ATT.</u>			
<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>Pts</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>Pts</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>IOPTS</u>	<u>H/CAP</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
16	13	14	13	56	5	5	6	8	24	127	137	Nil	137
12	12	4	19	47	3	7	-	5	15	112	122	5	127
10	15	4	19	48	6	4	6	8	24	112	122	Nil	122
1	15	14	10	40	6	7	7	8	28	112	122	Nil	122
2	16	18	11	47	4	6	6	8	24	111	121	10	131
8	15	9	13	45	-	1	6	9	16	96	106	15	121
5	18	-	17	40	8	3	4	2	17	95	105	Nil	105
12	16	9	18	55	1	10	5	10	26	95	105	Nil	105
2	16	17	8	43	4	9	-	6	19	94	104	10	114
-	-	8	15	23	3	9	5	8	25	87	97	15	112
-	11	6	15	32	-	6	-	5	11	83	93	10	103
1	15	6	9	31	7	7	3	6	23	82	92	30	122
5	-	16	14	35	4	3	-	5	12	79	89	45	134
-	18	1	17	36	-	-	-	-	-	65	75	15	90
-	17	-	-	17	-	-	4	3	7	55	65	35	100
-	-	1	13	14	-	-	-	8	8	54	64	60	124
-	-	16	-	16	-	-	7	5	12	54	64	55	119
-	13	-	-	13	-	-	-	5	5	50	60	70	130
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- SECTION 2; Heaviest Scale Fish (1st Six Months)
T. D'Alonzo 4.55kg Salmon
- SECTION 3; Most Meritorius Fish
- SECTION 4; Heaviest Shark Min. Weight (4.5kg)
- SECTION 5; Heaviest Mulloway - R. Francis 11.5kg
- SECTION 6; Heaviest Tailor Min. Weight (1kg)
G. Holman 2.70kg Greenough
- SECTION 7; Heaviest Salmon Min. Weight (2kg)
T. D'Alonzo 4.55kg
- SECTION 8; Heaviest Trevally (Skippy) Min. Weight (1kg)
- SECTION 9; Heaviest Mackerel
- SECTION 10; Heaviest Bag of Scale Fish caught on a field day
T. D'Alonzo 26.5kg
- SECTION 11; Heaviest Bag Mulloway - P. Osborne 12.3kg
- SECTION 12; Heaviest Bag of Tailor - T. D'Alonzo 16.4kg
- SECTION 13; Heaviest Scale Fish caught on S/H Rod
- SECTION 14; Heaviest Scale Fish other than 4 - 13
T. D'Alonzo 5.0kg Snapper

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- SECTION 1; Most Meritorius Fish
- SECTION 2; Heaviest Shark - No Entry
- SECTION 3; Heaviest Mulloway - No Entry
- SECTION 4; Heaviest Salmon - 4.8kg T. Richardson Rottnest
- SECTION 5; Heaviest Jewfish - No Entry
- SECTION 6; Heaviest Tailor - 2.6kg S. Whiting Trigg
- SECTION 7; Heaviest Samson Fish - 10.5kg A. Stevenson
- SECTION 8; Heaviest Scale Fish on S/H Rod (B/S Line) -
Salmon 4.8kg T. Richardson Rottnest
- SECTION 9; Heaviest Snapper (Pink) - J. Reeley 5kg Steep Point
- SECTION 10; Heaviest Tarwhine (Silver Bream) - .5kg P. Osborne Trigg
- SECTION 11; Heaviest Mackerel - 17.0kg S. Sutton Steep Point
- SECTION 12; Heaviest Trevally (Southern) Min. Height (1kg) -
1.4kg T. Richardson
- SECTION 13; Heaviest Trevally (Northern) Min. Weight (5kg) -
15.0kg B. Leicester Cape Peron
- SECTION 14; Heaviest Snook-Pike Min. Weight (1kg) - No Entry
- SECTION 15; Heaviest Fish other than those listed in Section 2 - 14 inc.
Min. Weight (2kg) - 3.5kg Giant Herring B. Leicester -
- Cape Peron

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A DOUBLE COINCIDENCE:

Whilst stationed in India at Trimulgerry, Hyderabad, Deccan, I applied to my C.O. for one month's leave for a shooting and fishing trip, which was subsequently granted. With my friend, Archie Prayero the local District Inspector of Police, we then began arrangements for our coming trip. He wrote to the District Forrester Officer at Kolas in the Southern Government Forrester of the Nizam State for permission to shoot and fish in the area of the Hizamabad Dam, and this was granted. He sent our boy named Ashis Khan to Kolas one week in advance of our trip, with money and instructions. He bought goats and tied them up in the most likely spots we had chosen previously, a swerling pool, formed by water rusing over the spillway of the Sluche Gate at the bottom of the Dam Wall. His instructions from us was to berley bu the pool at 7a.m. and 4p.m. of each day. The berley: coarse flour, coconut oil, hemp seed and small fish, mixed together forming a paste. He was instructed to make the berley into 20 balls each being the size of a cricket ball, to use each time. The reason for all the berley is know to people who have fished in India as that is the custom when fishing for the type of fish we were after. We were seeking mainly a fish named the ROME fish which is similar to our big Silver King Fish, is a great fighter and usually weights 80 - 100 pounds. The procedure of berleying gets the fish used to the time of its twice per day feed so that when we bait our lines and throw out on arrival at those times the fish take our bait immediately without any further berley. It usually then taken 15 to 30 minutes to land one of these big fish.

Archie and I set off in a 22h.p. Ford sedan and headed 281 miles South to our camping site which was situated under some big trees below the old Fort which was built on a hill. Our journey took us through some beautiful jungle country much of which was the private Reserve Forrester owned by the Nizam. These Private Reserve Forrester are well guarded by Forrester Guards armed with rifles. At intervals there are Guard Houses and a big gate is swung across the roadway and each vehicle is stopped and checked to ensure they have not been poaching. Whilst we were passing through these roadblocks it reminded me of the time that I had been with other friends and had actually been poaching and on that occasion we had changed our numberplates and crashed the roadblocks in our endeavour to get out. At approximately 4p.m. we decided to pull under the shade of a big tree and boil the billy as it would be approx. 8p.m. before we would arrive at our campsite at Kolas. Archie was driving and he left the road and pulled up in a small shady track leading into the scrub. Immediately I spotted small deer squatting under a shady bush not more than 100yards to our left, so I quickly reached into the back seat and picked up my 275 lauser Rifle, slipped in a round of ammunition and, still sitting in the car, poked the rifle muzzle through the open window, took aim, fired, and over went the deer.

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A DOUBLE COINCIDENCE: Cont....

We were pleased at such a good start of getting a nice young buck with our first shot and which would be our food for the next two days. The deer gets used to the traffic of the main road so lay in the shade of the bushes just off the main road and this particular one had not taken any notice of our car but had we been on foot he would have been gone before we could have got near him. We had our tea and were soon travelling along the road again and just before 8p.m. saw the village of Kolas in the distance. On arrival we were met by our boy and the Headman of the Village both of whom were full of the story of a Panther which had been worrying the village for weeks taking their young buffaloes, cows and goats and terrifying the villagers. We were tired after our long drive and drove to the camp that Ashis Khan had prepared for us, and were soon eating our fill of fried buck chops, chips and a nice cup of tea. Ashis Khan suggested we tied the hindquarters of the buck up in the branch of a nearby tree to prevent jackalls and any wild animals prowling around getting at it. We bunked up Ashis Khan with the remains of the buck which he secured by rope to a branch leaving the loins hanging down to about 12 to 14 feet from the ground. Gratefully we sank into our prepared camp stretchers and were soon asleep, having made sure that we had our rifles tucked in bed with us. I was awakened during the night by a dull thud sounding ahead of my stretcher. It was dark and I could see nothing, but then I again heard a dull thud on the ground ahead of my stretcher and heard the branch of a tree shaking and I guessed that something was after the carcass of our buck in the tree. Gradually my eyes became accustomed to the darkness and at the same time I realised that it must be a big cat to be able to jump the 12 to 14 feet from the ground. I quietly turned onto my belly and gently drew out my rifle and was then able to see a faint outline of an animal about 15 yards away crouching under the carcass of our buck and ready to spring into the air to pull it down. It was too dark to align my sights on the animal but I pointed the muzzle in the direction I thought was the target area and fired. At that instant the outline of the animal appeared to leap into air and then with a roar was off. In an instant the rest of the camp was awake, everyone talking at once and torches flashing. I explained what had happened and we walked over to inspect the big paw marks where the animal had been jumping up and down under the tree and saw the torn flesh of our buck carcass which he had managed to rip. We decided that bed was calling us all as it was then 1.45a.m. and I was just snuggling back into my stretcher when Ashis Khan brought me a complete Panther claw which he had found under the tree and which I had apparently shot off. During our stay there we did not see or hear anything of the panther again. We were awakened at 6.30a.m. by Ashis Khan to go fishing. He had done his job well and we caught 17 of these big fish that day. Archie had an extra big fish on and played up and down the bank of the river for over an hour and a half, but eventually got hooked up in some dead wood underwater and the line broke letting the fish go with a jag, two 80 hooks and two feet of steel wire in his mouth. There would not be space enough for me to write all details of one month of shooting and fishing that we did so I will finish off with the sequel to this story. Three months after this trip it was our Christmas Breakup and Archie and I decided to spend seven days at our same camp.

A DOUBLE COINCIDENCE: Cont....

Again we arranged to send Ashis Khan down one week in advance. He met us there with the news that a panther was again terrorising the village. We rested during the daytime and planned to sit up all night to await the panther. Just before dark we took up our positions outside a stockade of goats to be tied up outside alongside us. We did not have long wait before the goats started bleating to be let in with the others as we had planned. We did not have long to wait before there was a sudden rushing sound, a snarl, and there was a big panther with the goat's head and throat in his big mouth sucking his blood. Then the panther sat back on his haunches to enjoy eating the goat which was still tied to the stake. The panther had his back to me so I let him have it straight between the shoulders and he dropped like a log. I threw a rock at him to see if there was any life left in him but he didn't move. Ashis Khan went over to him and found that he had the third toe missing from his left fore foot and we then realised that this must have been the big cat I had shot at on our trip three months earlier. The villagers turned out full of joy. After a couple of days fishing Archie had his most unusual record after he had caught and landed a big fish of 68lb, and on gutting him found inside an old jag, two 80 hooks and a length of wire, which he recognised as the one that had got away three months previously.

If you would like another instalment of our stay at Kolas in the next issue, please let me know. My next instalment could be: Shooting fish with a .22 rifle and an encounter with a Big Black Bear.

PANTHER PAYNE.

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REEL TALK

FISHING AND LUCK

If anyone tells you during one of those conversations of tall tails that there's no luck involved in fishing - you get stuck into them and if you get stuck for some good words, to enforce your argument just listen to this little adventure, of those blokes on a recent outing from the Fremantle Heads.

"Hey, Jock, wake up its 4a.m., and if you don't hurry up, we'll miss sun up." "Oh nick off ya loud mouth buggers, I'am trying to get some shut-eye, I got home at 2.30 last night you know."

"Hell mate, a bit sus, we've driven 30 klm to your house and your not even ready." Exclaimed Harry, friend of Robert, mate of Ben's and good buddies with Les and Phil. "Ok, Ok I'm coming I'll just grab a bite to eat and a nice hot cup of coffee and rum." One hour later Jock, Harry and Norm arrived at the Boat Ramp. Just short of one of the hottest fishing spots in Perth. (Also handy to the fish markets were nice fish can be purchased for extravigent prices) "Norm, now you can get ya strides off and guide the boat, (a ten foot dinghy with seagull outboard), off the rollers and into the water where Jock and myself can board said Harry. Yeah Rodger mate consider it done - oops splash - crunch ouch, and sounds of a snapping thony strap, under the slipping weight of Norm on the slippery ramp. "Oh no I've broken my new thong and I've got all wet - oh god, me wallet grab me wallet." The sight was picturesque watching Norm and Jock at 6a.m. up to there necks in water trying to grad a very water logged wallet. "Jesus, mate be carefull, you could of hurt ya self, then we'd have to take ya to the doc's and thats fuel and it's not cheap."

So after a couple of minutes of muckin around at the boat ramp the 3 were on there way. Strouth, Harry, what a day to go fishing, look at that swell, its at least 8ft. we'll get swamped - ahhhh. Quick Jack grab the tackle and the tinnies but it was to late the tinnies had gone - were doomed crys Norm. Yes you guessed it, they got swamped and the outboard stalled, but determination was written all over Harry's face, who would not be beaten. Thats it lads, bail as hard as you can, don't stop or we'll be in trouble. Hey whats that, oh no, its the H/L the dreaded boys in the chivers marine specials. Yep, it was the harbour and lights alright, and the boys were in real trouble - no flares, no life jackets or extinguishers, etc, etc. Okay fellas whats wrong, where's your jackets, flares. Well its like this, we were, well you know ---

So next time someone tells you, theres no such thing as bad luck in fishing, you get stuck in and just recall this little tale and just listen to them try and defend themselves.

BEN. Z.