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Minutes of General Meeting, 10 September 2003

Venue:- Coolbinia West Perth Amateur Football and Sporting Club room

Time 8:00 PM. Bob Henderson presiding.

Present:- 31 Members, 4 visitors

Apologies:-Niko Moshos, John Hall, Brian Stokes, Paul Thompson. **Visitors:-**Mark Hansen, Peter Jones, Jenny Jones, Val Jones.

Suspension of Standing Orders. Moved Terry Willison, seconded Peter Stoeckel and carried.

President Bob Henderson presented trophies to winners at the recent AAA National

Championships.

Resumption of Standing Orders. Moved Terry Willison, seconded Peter Stoeckel and carried.

New Members:- Joe Pullella was welcomed into the club.

Previous Minutes:- Published in the Reel Talk. Moved Jim Strong seconded Trevor Stam, these are a true record.

Carried.

Previous Committee:- Ian Cook outlined actions from the previous Committee meeting. No business arising.

Correspondence In:- AAA August 2003 Delegates Meeting & Annual General Meeting

minutes

Peter Brightman Resignation from the Club

Aaron Dycer Request for information about the club
CALM Marine and other Park Planning Diary
BT funds management Change of address for Investor Centre
Trevor Faulkner Cheque for \$180 for Kalbarri accommodation

Challenge Bank Statement for August

Ray White, Kalbarri Statement for August, no activity.

Western Power Overdue account \$135.15

Seniors Recreation Council Add Years to your Life, Find Thirty and Have a go Day info.

ATO

Tax Return due 4 May 2004 tkinson Acceptance into the Club.

Correspondence OutJim and Coralie Atkinson
Acceptance into the Club.
Acceptance into the Club.

Daniel Chapman, Nick Hocking, Tony Ong, Niko Moshos and Damian D'Mello
Progress with membership applications.

Moved Jim Strong seconded Andrew Aubrey, that correspondence be accepted: Carried.

Treasurer's Report:-

John Hall not present. T Fuller reported accounts for payment:-

Water Corporation Water Use Kalbarri to 25 August \$8.45
Shire of Northampton Rates for Kalbarri \$501.58 If paid by 1 Oct

Western Power Kalbarri power Overdue account \$135.15
Kalbarri Lawnmowing Mowing Kalbarri 22 August \$28.00

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Total \$673.18

Challenge bank Account 880334

Balance as at 10/9/2003 \$10,543.81

Moved Terry Willison seconded Ian Cook, accounts be passed for payment - carried.

Property Officer:- Vix Alexander reported briefly as in Reel Talk. 1 cancellation

Field Day Officer:- Malcolm Harris reported on the coming Moore River and Port Gregory Field days. Ian Cook

reported on the August Rottnest Field Day as in Reel Talk.

Dry Casting Officer:- Chas Riegert gave details of the September Dry Casting as in Reel Talk.

AAA Report:- George Holman reported on the fishing clinics in September, and concerns about the recently

announced Jurien Bay Marine Park.

Social Organiser:- Bob Henderson reported on December night cast and proposed car rally in the new year

Recorder:- Ian Cook reported on 22.2 kg mulloway entry from Tony D'Alonzo.

Reel Talk Editor:- Nothing to report.

Notices of Motion:- None.

General Business:- Andy Thorgersen reported on activities at the Perth Boat Dive and Fishing Show at the WACA in

August, and presented a list of 70 names and addresses of people interested in receiving

information about the club.

Instruction Period:- Chas Riegert and Bob Henderson reported on Warroora station area. Proposed dates for safari

are 16 to 23 May 2003 if Warroora is chosen. Report to be written for the Reel Talk. Information

on Esperance area still to be presented.

What do members want for instruction periods? Contact Bob Henderson.

Meeting closed. 9.35 pm

Temporary Change of Treasurer.

Treasurer John Hall has changed jobs, with his new job involving travel and taking up lots of his time mid week which makes it difficult for him to attend club meetings. He has been given leave for a few months while he settles in.

Terry Fuller has taken back the Treasurer's job for a while, unless anyone else wants to volunteer. Contact President Bob Henderson if you do.

Coming Club Events.

MEXANDER

Dry Casting

October Dry Casting.

When:- Sunday 5 October, casting starts at 8:30 am. Yokine Reserve, Wordsworth Avenue.

Events:- 112 gram distance, Artificial Bait distance, Double Handed accuracy,

Single handed accuracy.

October General Meeting.

When:- Wednesday 8 October 2003, 8:00 pm.

Where:- Coolbinia West Perth Amateur Football and Sporting Club room, off

Wordsworth Avenue, Yokine, about 200 metres south east of the Yokine

Bowling Club.

Instruction Period:- What's new in Reels, by Bob Henderson. Knots braid to mono,by

Chas Riegert.

October Field Day - Horrocks to Kalbarri.

Held with AAA Beach and Rock Angling Championships.

When:- Saturday/Sunday/Monday 27/28/29 September 2003. Note it's

in late September.

Surfcasters Sign On:- Saturday 1pm - 2pm at Port Gregory Caravan Park.

Surfcasters Weigh in: Monday 10:00 am at Port Gregory Caravan Park. Correction the

day shown in the September Reel Talk was wrong.

Boundaries:- North of Bowes River and south of Murchison River.

Tides for Saturday 27 Sept 0.49m at 2:32 pm 0.69m at 8:17 pm Sunrise:-About 6:07 am **Port Gregory** Sunday 28 Sept 0.17m at 4:19 am 0.47m at 11:18 am 0.45m at 1:53 pm 0.74m at 9:03 pm Monday 29 Sept 0.13 m at 5:26 am 0.77 m at 9:55 pm Sunset:-About 6:21 pm Moon Saturday 27 Sept Moonset:-About 7:40 pm Sunday 28 Sept Moonrise:-About 7:30 am Moonset:-About 8:47pm

Monday 29 Sept Moonrise:- About 7:30 am Moonset:- About 8:47pm Monday 29 Sept Moonrise:- About 8:10 am New Moon:- Friday 26 Sept

2003/4 AAA Beach and Rock Angling Championships.

The AAA Beach and Rock Angling Championships will be held:-.

Date September Long Weekend, Saturday 27 and Sunday 28 September 2003.

Registration and weigh-in Port Gregory Caravan Park.

Boundaries North of Bowes River and south of Murchison River.

The AAA Rock and Beach organising committee believe that there should be strong encouragement for competitors to stay overnight after the weigh-in.

<u>AAA Sign-on</u> 1pm - 2pm Saturday. <u>AAA Lines down</u> 3pm Saturday <u>AAA Weigh-in</u> 3pm Sunday.

BBQ 4pm Sunday Presentations 5pm Sunday

The Port Gregory beach championships is planned to start and finish a little later than the usual times. The later start allows for extra travel time to get to Port Gregory. A barbecue will be run immediately after the event and the late finish will link it into being the evening meal. The intention is for participants not to travel after the event, but stay at Port Gregory overnight and travel on Monday. The barbecue should provide the basis for a simple social function.

The caravan park has a limited number of cabins and early bookings will be necessary. The park will be able to accommodate a quantity of tents and these too should be booked in early. When making bookings, mention AAA and John Ward so that the owners can put us in the same area.

The Surfcasters have their "October" Field Day at the same location to fit in with the AAA competition, but the club competition will include the Sunday night and Monday morning, as well as during the AAA times.

Local Field Day for October.

When:- Long weekend Saturday/Sunday/Monday 27/28/29 September 2003. Note it's in late September

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

Lines Down: Saturday 3 pm.

Weigh in:- Monday 10:00 am, details as listed above for September. Boundaries:- Penguin Island to Two Rocks, including the Swan River.

<u>Tides for</u> Saturday 27 Sept 0.49m at 4:20pm 0.71m at 10:21pm

Fremantle Sunday 28 Sept 0.36m at 5:11am 0.60m at 11:53am 0.51 m at 4:07pm 0.71m at 10:40pm

Monday 29 Sept 0.35m at 6:24am

November Field Day - Cervantes.

When:-Saturday/Sunday 15/16 November 2003.

Saturday 12:00 at the Shell Garage in Cervantes. Sign On:-Weigh in:-Sunday 11:00 at the Shell Garage in Cervantes.

Boundaries:-Cervantes to Sandy Point (North of Jurien). To be confirmed. Saturday 15 Nov 0.08m at 11:06am 0.69m at 11:36 pm **Tides for**

Sunday 16 Nov 0.09m at 11:48am Cervantes

Sunrise:-About 5:15 am Saturday 15 Nov Moon Moonset:-About 9:44 am Sunset:-About 6:53 pm

> Sunday 16 Nov Moonrise:-About 0:20 am Moon last quarter 17 November

Local Field Day for November.

When:-Saturday/Sunday 15/16 November 2003.

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

Lines Down:-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 on the local Field Day weigh in sheets in the scale box. No Money =

no points. Results to be phoned to Field Day Officer by 8:00 pm that night.

Penguin Island to Two Rocks, including the Swan River. **Boundaries:-**

Tides for Saturday 15 Nov 0.29 m at 10:46 am Sunrise: About 5:33 am 0.83 m at 11:40 pm **Fremantle** Sunday 16 Nov 0.31 m at 11:30 am Sunset:-About 6:43 pm

Calendar for Next Three Months.

Here's a calendar showing the dates we will use for Dry Casting, General and Committee Meetings, and Fishing Field Days in the next three months.

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6	7	8	9	10	11	12	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	8	9	10	11	12	<u>13</u>	<u>14</u>
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2003/2004 AAA State Dry Casting Championships.

The AAA State Dry Casting Championships will be held on Sunday 26 October at Yokine Reserve. Don't miss it! As usual, the Surfcasters will field teams and should do very well. Contact DCO Chas Riegert and nominate.

2003/2004 Dry Casting Dates.

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

Sunday 26 October, AAA State Dry Casting Sunday 5 October 2003

Championships.

Sunday 7 December 2003 Sunday 2 November 2003 Sunday 4 January 2004 Sunday 1 February 2004 Sunday 7 March 2004 Sunday 4 April 2004

2003/2004 Field Day Dates and Venues.

Saturday/Sun/Mon 27/28/29 September 2003 LWE Horrocks to Kalbarri / AAA Rock and Beach Angling

Championships is over 2 days, 27/28 September.

Saturday/Sunday 15/16 November 2003

Local, Penguin Island to Two Rocks including the Saturday/Sunday 13/14 December 2003

Swan River, plus Christmas night cast.

Dawesville Cut to Binningup. Saturday/Sunday 17/18 January 2004 Saturday/Sunday 14/15 February 2004 Open - all WA tidal waters.

Saturday/Sun/Mon 28/29 February /1 March 2004 LWE Bluff Creek.

Saturday/Sunday/Monday 24/25/26 April 2004 Anzac Denmark to Walpole.

Day Long Weekend

2003/2004 General Meetings.

All at Coolbinia West Perth Amateur Football and Sporting Club room, off Wordsworth Avenue, Yokine, about 200 metres south east of the Yokine Bowling Club, starting at 8:00pm.

Wednesday 8 October 2003

Wednesday 12 November 2003
Wednesday 14 January 2004
Wednesday 10 March 2004
Wednesday 10 March 2004
Wednesday 14 April 2004

Field Day and Dry Casting Fees.

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

Happy Birthday to:-

Coralie Atkinson, 3 October Daniel Stoeckel, 9 October Paul Thompson, 14 October

Nick Allsworth, 31 October

A lot of members haven't told us their birth date, so there may be more birthdays. Dob them in!

Wanted - Aluminium Cans - Mal's Back.

Mal Head is now back after the Yamba Dry Casting.

Wanted - Aluminium cans. Please bring them along to the General Meeting or to Mal Head's home, but not to Dry Casting. 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.

New Member Acceptances.

The following application for membership has been accepted, and will be invited to the September General Meeting to be welcomed into the Club.

Tony Ong

Nick (Nicko) Hocking and Kartini (Kat) Katla

Damian (Damo) D'Mello

Daniel Chapman

Nickolas (Niko) Moshos

New Member Application.

Applications for membership have been received and will come before the September 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.

Matt Henderson and Fiona Callender

Mark and Wendy Hansen

Dave Moir and Tracy Richards

Member Resignations.

The following members have resigned from the club.

Martin Eardley.

Membership Fees are Now Over Due!

Membership fees were due on 1 July and should have been paid by 31 July. Full details were in the July Reel Talk. Individual letters have been sent to all members who have not paid, but the Reel Talk has not been sent.

Life Members of the Club.

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

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. It does not have a washing machine, but there is a laundromat in town. Outside has a fish cleaning facility and a full width verandah. Rates are:-

\$220 per week, Public:-Off season 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.

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 \$49 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 1 September, the house is available in 2003 from 9 Oct to 17 Oct, 8 Nov to 12 Dec, in 2004 from 10 Jan to 27 Feb, 6 Mar to 9 Apr, 17 Apr to 15 Oct, and 6 Nov 2004 on. Contact Property Officer Vix Alexander for bookings.

If any work needs to be done in, on or around the house, please contact the Property Officer for approval. Members who are staying in the house are not allowed to authorise any repairs or services on the house without authority from the Property Officer, Treasurer or President.

Wanted - Back Copies of Reel Talk.

We are looking for donations of old Reel Talks, 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 2002 Reel Talk.

Member's Stories, Photos, Tips, etc.

Does anyone have any new stories, photos, tips, news items, etc, etc, to share? Please send them in to the Reel Talk Editor.

Club Badges Now in Stock.

We now have new supplies of Club Badges. If you are recent new member and didn't get a club badge, contact the Secretary at any club meeting and get yours now.

Club Polo Shirts, Jackets and Caps.

We now have some stocks of short and long sleeved Club Polo shirts, long sleeved Club Jackets and baseball style caps with a club logo for sale to members. These are in the club colours of Gold (Yellow) and Black, and help to identify you as a "Surfcaster" member.

Club Competition Rules and Constitution.

Printed copies of the Club's current Competition Rules and Constitution are available. Contact the Secretary or see the club's web site http://www.surfcasters.iinet.net.au/ for the online versions.

Dry Casting Sausage Sizzle.

We hold a sausage sizzle on every Sunday after the dry casting. Gives everyone a chance to talk over the morning's casting, gear to use, what's coming up, fishing, the state of the world or whatever, over some lunch.

But the sausage sizzle is not free, much as we would like it to be. It has to be paid for somehow, and the prices are quite reasonable compared to what you would pay elsewhere. **Don't forget to put the money in, please.**

Everything is one dollar each. You can get:-

1 drink plus 1 sausage in bread for \$2.00 Extra drink for \$1.00 Extra sausage in bread for \$1.00

Safari 2004.

Time to think about the next fishing safari in 2004. Warroora Station or the Esperance south coast area have been suggested so far. Anyone have suggestions for other places? Chas Riegert has found out the following:-

Warroora Station is 200 km north of Carnarvon. Probable timing, 16 - 23 May 2004. Three accommodation options:-

- 1. Completely self contained camping on the beach area. Need to take absolutely everything you need. \$5 per person per night, \$25 per person per week, children free.
- 2. Shearer's quarters, twin share rooms, \$18 per person per night, community kitchen and ablutions.
- 3. Two houses, self contained, can sleep up to 30 people between them. Standard rate is \$30 per person per night. May be negotiable for a large group and a week long booking.

Can work out the details with some confirmed number of people going.

Details of the fishing at Warroora will get you planning and packing. More details, and description of the Esperance option to come. Contact Chas Riegert for any more information or to put your name down.

Where Are All the Fishing Stories?

Looking at the list of contents for the Reel Talk this month, where are all the fishing stories? I'll print what I'm given, or I have to search for stories, and then what you see is what you get.

Words of Wisdom (?)

Never let mere proof sway your opinion. Reel Talk October 2003 Never miss a good chance to shut up!

North Mole Repairs Underway.

Media Release, 5 September 2003 from the Fremantle Port Authority. Work has begun on repairs to storm damage at Fremantle Port's North Mole. Waves breaking over the North Mole and washing across the road during a period of severe weather in May made the area unsafe, damaging the seawall and causing subsidence.

Fremantle Ports Chief Executive Officer, Kerry Sanderson, said the damage, which had been extensive, was expected to be repaired by the end of October. "This was one of the strongest storms we have experienced for many years and the damage it caused took some time to evaluate," Mrs. Sanderson said.

"We want to re-open the North Mole to the public as soon as possible but we have to be sure that it is safe. We needed to determine the full extent of the destruction, get an engineering report and identify the best way to relocate some services.

During the storms, Fremantle experienced a record high tide of 1.97 metres from a combination of low barometric pressure, seasonal high tide and storm surge. Media contact: Ainslie de Vos 9430 3380 mobile 0419 908 640

President's Report.

Since I joined the club in 1990, I have had the pleasure of meeting and sharing so many good times with past and present club members. The most rewarding achievement I have obtained has been the friendship, open door to families, many, many good times, humungous amounts of fishing trips, tackle tips, great social days and nights and the occasional headache.

I have learnt that the club is made up of movers and stayers, some gunnas, quite a few doers and a number of sitters. No matter what, who, why or when, I do hope that each person has learnt from their experience being in this club, and has obtained or achieved what they joined for.

I know, from personal experience, that the stayers have obtained the greatest gift you can give to a person and that is friendship. I intend carrying on that tradition.

As your new President I would like to express a personal thought to all club members.....

Change is not a bad thing if it can improve our club to the benefit of all club members. Only as a group can we forge a future for the Surf Casting and Angling Club of WA.

Hendo.

Thank You.

To lan Cook for taking on the leadership role at the August General and Committee Meetings while I was in Yamba.

To Terry Willison for running the August Dry Casting for his fellow club members.

To John Hall for organising, preparing the presentation and attending the Boat Show on behalf of the Surf Casting and Angling Club. The reports I have received indicate an outstanding promotion of our club and its members.

To Andrew Aubrey, Andy Thorgersen, Ian Cook, Chas Riegert, Peter Stoeckel, Brian Stokes and Trevor Stam for their participation at the Boat Show. No matter what the venue, these blokes always turn up and give their best.

To my fellow club members who joined me in Yamba NSW for the 2003 AAA national Convention. You represented your State of WA in a fine manner, and received the rewards.

To Ross Kember for your leadership and friendship to all club members over the past few years. You have given me a challenge to emulate your efforts.

A sincere thank you to all the above.

Hendo.

Social Report

To date the only social event on the calendar is the barbecue and night cast after the weigh in at George Holman's place following the December Field Day.

A car rally is being organised for February or March with the usual requirements of first class driving abilities, second class intelligence, third class sporting prowess. Anyone without a sense of humour will be severely handicapped.

Fishing's got bugger all to do with this car rally, so anyone caught with "tackle" in his vehicle will incur demerit points. It's a chance to throw out a challenge to your family, friends or relatives, your workmates and your neighbours.

Expect the unusual, remember my intelligence rating when reading the questions, the more people in the car the less stress, a simple answer is sufficient, you can get lost (or be told), bathers are optional, except for the Teletubbies, half a tank should do you.

No responsibility for vehicle damage, personal injury, strained relationships, war with neighbours, friends, mental stress, Monday sickies or lost children is accepted by the organiser.

A financial incentive plan has been prepared and must be forwarded in any plain sealed envelope to the organiser.

You have been advised Hendo.

PS. That's assuming you actually do RTFRT (Read The Flippin' Reel Talk)

Reel Talk Ed.

Updated Fishing Competition Entry Form.

The entry form for all of the Club's Fishing Competitions, other than fishing field days, has been updated. A copy has been enclosed in this Reel Talk. Further copies are available from the Recorder or the club web site.

If you don't know what competitions are run or the rules, printed copies of the Club's current Competition Rules are available. Contact the Secretary or see the club's web site for the online version.

Join the Cast, with Rhys Jones.

The West Australian paper had an article titled as above, saying:-

"Imagine kicking a goal from the back pocket at Subiaco Oval. The distance the ball would have to travel is about how far Rhys Jones, 13, can cast a 112g weight.

The Perth lad is making a name for himself in the world of distance casting, which is either a supplementary activity for those who enjoy dropping a line in the water, or an alternative for those who lack the patience to watch a worm drown.

Perth's distance casters practise at Yokine Reserve on the first Sunday of every month.

Casting without actually fishing is becoming increasingly popular in Japan, where not everyone with a rod can access the decent fishing spots. The Yokohama Casting Club has 10,000 members who collectively bought a meadow in the country to pepper with lead sinkers."

Dry Casting Competition Rules.

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Dry Casting Report, 31 August 2003.

There is a first time for everything. This day was my first official day as the Club Dry Casting Officer at the "September" dry casting which had been brought on early to leave Father's Day free.

I arrived at Yokine just before 7:00 am to be greeted by Bob Hendo and Terry Willison setting up the distance court. Actually it was almost completely done, as was the positioning of the guide ropes for the accuracy events. The tape was strung out for the double handed event and it was up to me to pull the number out of the hat for the distances. So done, Bob and I placed the markers.

For the information of all casters, this will be the system in future as well. If you wish to participate, I will make available the selection procedure to any one willing to be present prior to 7:00 am on the day of casting.

The weather just couldn't have been better, apart from that damn easterly wind.

9 Seniors, 8 Veterans, a Lady and a Junior kicked off with the seniors on double handed accuracy and vets on distance. In the seniors, Aubs showed the way with George pushing hard. I was looking for a sample jar to drug test Aubs, as his score was magnificent. Whatever he was on, I could do with it as well. © Well done mate.

Not to be outdone, Vix set the standard with her single handed accuracy. She has increased her previous Ladies Club Record by a massive 9 points to 36/40. That time spent in Yamba has sure helped her along as her double handed accuracy was excellent as well.

What can I say about the distances. 40 knots of headwind DON'T make for good distance casting. Some of the casters had problems staying in court. Our little skinny club court is just a tad harder to stay in compared to the national and state wide court. © © Methinks a little bit of tolerance from the scorers can be accepted.

This month I utilised two radios and a 3rd scorer for the distance section of the day. What did you think. Did you prefer to HEAR your distances as you wound in, or would you prefer to wait until it was over to see your results? Let me know so I can formalise it.

One thing I immediately noticed as the new Dry Casting Officer, was a bit of wingeing about procedures for the day. If you have a problem, either address it to me directly, or put it writing to the committee. This day is one for camaraderie and friendly competition.

Discussion Points:

1. As a novelty event sometime in the new year, I propose an 'open' competition in both 56 gram distance and possibly one double handed accuracy target, utilising "ONE" rod to be used by all competitors at each area. ie: one 'fishing' rod at, say a 45 metre target (two casts to count), whereby everyone uses that same rod in turn, and likewise, one 'fishing' rod at the distance court where everyone uses that one rod for two 56 gram casts (no 'V' court to apply). With a little luck, a sponsor might be able to be located to put forward a small prize. © ©

Let me know your thoughts please. Until next month.

TT2 (Tele Tubby 2) - DCO

Correction to the 3 August Dry Casting Report.

My apologies to Roy Killick for not remembering that he had come along to the Dry Casting on 3 August to help with the running of the day, even though he didn't have his casting gear which was still in Yamba. Apologies, Roy, grovel, grovel.

TerryF

Dry Casting Results, 31 August 2003.

o/b = out of bounds, n/c = no cast, s/o = snap off.

Results for the day	112	gram	_	Artifici	al Bait	_			D	ouble	Hande	d Accu	ıracy			S	ingle l	Handed	d Accu	racy	
	Cast	Cast		Cast	Cast			Cast number Cast number													
Seniors.	1 (m)	2 (m)	Points	1 (m)	2 (m)	Points	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Points	1	2	3	4	Points	Day Total
George Holman	136	141	28	118	114	23	21	20	21	21	14	23	10	24	154	6	7	0	7	20	225
Andrew Aubrey	117	107	22	95	117	21	24	19	25	22	15	19	15	20	159	0	6	2	0	8	211
Nick Allsworth	145	150	30	121	115	24	9	17	13	23	18	15	18	23	136	5	5	6	4	20	209
Mal Harris	136	123	26	112	117	23	12	20	12	18	14	9	21	22	128	0	5	8	6	19	196
Chas Riegert	152	148	30	123	128	25	12	14	11	21	2	5	19	21	105	4	8	4	7	23	183
Joe Pullella	160	154	31	o/b	114	11	5	21	21	14	9	0	25	24	119	6	4	6	4	20	182
Terry Willison	127	127	25	nc	nc	0	11	0	20	11	6	20	1	23	92	8	7	0	7	22	139
Ric Parker	121	121	24	97	o/b	10	19	6	5	17	0	9	9	10	75	3	4	0	7	14	123
Peter Stoeckel	87	96	18	77	80	16	0	0	12	21	0	0	19	18	70	0	0	3	0	3	107
Niko Moshos	79	o/b	8	62	o/b	6	0	0	0	20	0	0	16	0	36	0	0	0	0	0	50
Veterans.																					
Roy Killick	106	96	20	106	102	21	23	20	13	23	17	0	17	23	136	6	5	6	6	23	200
Bob Henderson	117	120	24	b/o	121	12	17	16	24	4	0	22	20	21	124	9	5	10	7	31	191
Allan Jones	111	112	22	90	108	20	22	9	14	15	1	22	19	15	117	7	5	3	7	22	181
Mal Head	113	111	22	o/b	o/b	0	17	11	19	21	12	1	20	12	113	7	6	2	4	19	154
Tony D'Alonzo	108	110	22	109	107	22	10	7	17	16	3	16	14	11	94	0	2	7	8	17	154
Trevor Stam	87	o/b	9	87	86	17	18	19	2	16	7	13	11	23	109	2	10	1	2	15	150
Jim Strong	o/b	69	7	o/b	o/b	0	22	19	14	19	0	0	15	20	109	6	2	4	5	17	133
Geof Raftis	o/b	76	8	67	52	12	2	16	22	22	0	0	17	9	88	3	5	8	8	24	132
Ladies.																					
Vix Alexander	o/b	89	9	o/b	87	9	17	10	18	18	0	16	23	22	124	10	8	8	10	36	178
Juniors.																					
Rhys Jones	110	114	22	90	s/o	9	11	20	19	14	0	5	15	20	104	4	8	10	7	29	164

Event:	Seniors Winner		Veterans Winner		Ladies Winner		Juniors Winner	
112 gram distance	Joe Pullella	31	Bob Henderson	24	Vix Alexander	9	Rhys Jones	22
56 gram distance	Chas Riegert	25	Tony D'Alonzo	22	Vix Alexander	9	Rhys Jones	9
Double Handed Acc.	Andy Aubrey	159	Roy Killick	136	Vix Alexander	124	Rhys Jones	104
Single Handed Acc.	Chas Riegert	23	Bob Henderson	31	Vix Alexander	36	Rhys Jones	29
Days High Points	George Holman	225		•		•		

Special Request

Would all drycasters please wear club shirts and name badge at monthly casting days.

Chas

Reel Talk October 2003

September 2003 Field Day, Moore River.

Nine members and one visitor fished the Moore River field day, three fished local. The weekend's weather was forecast to be wet and wild but turned out to be overcast and light winds, good fishing conditions. That's as far as it went, Moore River produced 6.7kg of fish and 357kg of seaweed. The local Field Day was no better.

We arrived Saturday morning to find that the river was still flowing out to sea, which left a large plume of dirty water to the north and cutting off any access to beaches south, not that they looked much good anyway with broad stretches of shallow water. Mixed in with the dirty water was tons of weed.

Cookie and TerryF had come up Friday and driven from Moore River along the tracks to Seabird. Everywhere they could get to the beaches showed shallow washed out beaches with exposed rocks, sanded up reef holes, dirty water and weed everywhere.

A quick consultation with all the members present and it was decided to extend the northern boundary to 5kms north of Seabird in pursuit of clear conditions. We were able to overtake the dirty water by unfortunately we could not entirely escape the weed.

A couple of kilo plus snook were caught just south of Seabird, one by Chas and the other by Matt Henderson (visitor) and Tony was able to land two tailor of over a kilo each from the same area. Tony also weighed in a skippy of around 0.65kg, but this one was caught just north of Seabird. Vix, John Romano and I fished north but with only a few herring and whiting to show for our efforts. The only other fish to be weighed in were 5 herring, one tarwhine and a few whiting, pretty meager pickings.

Those fishing local did no better. Spencer and Damian tried Swanbourne but were only rewarded by weed for their long walk. They discovered a good size hole at Brighton road later that night but unfortunately with no success. Two mulloway were caught in the area that night but the prize went to other fishers. George fished Trigg and Brighton road Saturday night but also no reward.

It seems a long time since the fishing conditions, the fish and one of our field days peaked at the same time. The upside is that the next field day is only a week away now.

Hope to see you all at Port Gregory on the long weekend end of September.

Malcolm Harris Field Day Officer

Species caught on this field day were:- a few herring, tailor, tarwhine, snook, whiting and skippy.

Results for the September Field Day:-.

Angler	Weight	Species	Fish	Points
Tony D'Alonzo	3.35 kg	3	5	113.5
Charles Riegert	1.5 kg	2	2	85
Malcolm Harris	0.585 kg	2	4	75.85
Vix Alexander	0.45 kg	2	5	74.5
Ian Cook	0.25 kg	2	2	72.5
Terry Fuller	0.225 kg	1	1	62.25
Bob Henderson	0 kg	0	0	50
Morris Kolman	0 kg	0	0	50
John Romano	0 kg	0	0	40
George Holman	0 kg	0	0	20
Spencer King	0 kg	0	0	20

Field Day prizes for September.

Best Scale Fish	Chas Riegert	Snook	1.2 kg
Best Bag of Scale fish	Tony D'Alonzo	Mixed Bag	3.35 kg

Sportsperson of the Year Sections for September.

Best Scale Fish	Tony D'Alonzo	Tailor	1.55 kg
Best Bag of Scale fish	Tony D'Alonzo	Mixed Bag	3.35 kg

Field Day Top Ten for 2003/2004 up to September.

	Angler	Total Points		Angler	Total Points
1	Tony D'Alonzo	641.3	6	Vix Alexander	161.5
2	lan Cook	358.5	7	Terry Fuller	143.6
3	John Romano	257.3	8	George Holman	141.0
4	Spencer King	185.3	9	Morris Kolman	140.0
5	John Jardine	180.0	10	Tony Ong	138.0

Field Day Sections for 2003/2004

Field Day Sections for 2003/2004 up to September 2003.

1A	Best Scale Fish (1st Six Months)	lan Cook	Yellowtail Kingfish	3.3 kg
5	Best Tailor (1.0 kg min)	George Holman	Tailor	3.1 kg
7	Best Skipjack Trevally (0.5 kg min)	Tony D'Alonzo	Skipjack Trevally	0.65 kg
9	Best Scale Fish (Other than above)	Mark Farnay	Snook	1.45 kg
13	Best Fish caught on a single handed rod	Terry Fuller	Garfish	0.13 kg
10	Best Bag Of Scale Fish	Tony D'Alonzo	Mixed Bag	9.75 kg

OK, beat that !

Vicious Disease Aimed at Recreational Anglers.

Opponents of recreational fishing are suspected of unleashing a nasty disease against recreational anglers. The effects are really devastating, and the disease has spread like wildfire through the recreational fishing community.

An estimate is that more than 99% of all recreational anglers in WA are already infected by the disease and are suffering from the effects. It starts as a mild case, but inevitably progresses to a complete shut down.

The sad part is that the victim's thinking process is affected, they can't recognise that they have a problem, deny it when it is diagnosed, and refuse to accept any treatment, and of course the disease progresses to a point where it is not treatable any more, and it's too late. Such a waste!!

One consolation to the victim's families is that the victims end up in a world of their own, they are still happy and don't appear to suffer any more, because they can still enjoy football, beer and many of the other good things of life, even if their fishing is badly affected. But the effect on the wider recreational fishing community is really devastating.

So far, experts haven't decided if it is a new virus, a mutated human or animal virus variant or something else much more sinister like an environmental poison, a completely new organism or protein which targets the brain and thinking processes, or the result of spending too much time exposed to the radiation from TV and computer screens.

Until this is known, no one can be sure if it is a natural phenomenon or has been deliberately introduced to target recreational anglers. The main symptoms are:-

- 1. Complete indifference to any warnings about any threats to recreational fishing.
- 2. Long arguments and messages about 1. which never go beyond talking to the already converted, so never get to the people and organisations which could do something.
- 3. Most people who do care about 1. rapidly progress to the final stages of the disease, disappear from view and are rarely heard from again, except for messages about topics which completely ignore 1
- 4. Refusal to read messages about 1. There's some evidence that their altered mental processes actually make these messages invisible to them, so victims don't realise the messages are even there. Look at the number of hits on any message which looks like a threat to recreational fishing.
- 5. Laying the blame for anything which happens on to the people who have been working bloody hard trying to stop it, saying they should have done more or done something else, instead of blaming the people who introduce the changes.

People warning of this disease have been dismissed as paranoid and delusional, and the existence has been denied. The opponents point to all the "consultation" which goes on and say that this couldn't happen if such a disease existed.

But how else can you explain what goes on?. So many groups start up and fizzle out. So many articles, messages and talks hardly raise a flicker of interest and get almost no response, if they get any at all.

The latest victim is the Western Angler Action Group, which started with a roar and has now fizzled to be MII (missing in in-action), with over a week between any messages.

So much potential wasted. Just when Cape to Cape Marine Reserve threatens that important area, professional wetline fishing review is calling for public submissions, Jurien Bay Marine Park under a review, Pilbara and Kimberly recreational fishing changes due out soon, Aboriginal fishing rules, Recreational fishing rule changes for West Coast and Gascoyne due 1 October which it's believed will introduce new rules which weren't in any of the discussion papers for public comment, etc, etc, etc. and when we really need such groups, they fizzle out.

Another expert dismisses this view as a fanciful conspiracy theory. He says "Recreational anglers are just typical of many ordinary Australians, they are apathetic, they jump up and down, spout off and say "they orta do something" but disappear when the call goes out for workers, they will bitch and complain when they lose something, but they aren't interested in stopping it before it happens."

He says the problem with the Western Angler Action Group is typical of this Australian attitude. Some warned it wouldn't be easy to get things changed, or it would have been done already. But it isn't all that hard either, if you just start at the beginning and keep working through all the issues until you get to some end. Reality has bitten, it's not just a matter of jumping up and down, you have to use your brains and do some work. If it's worth having, it's worth working for.

Fortunately some people in WA are immune to this disease and keep up the fight for recreational fishing without much support from the people who have so much to lose. These people soldier on without any thanks, even when THEY get blamed when they can't stop the opposition from getting their way.

The main danger these people face is those nasty double four letter words "over work" and "burn out" and getting "s\$\$t off" (well some are only 3 letter words, but you get the idea).

The conspiracy theory is all "tongue in cheek", dear Reel Talk readers, but the rest is 100% accurate.

If you don't agree, prove me wrong!!! Get involved. After all, it's your and your kids' and grandkids' fishing future too.......

There'll be more (I hope).....

TerryF

Are the Surfcasters Infected?.

There are worrying signs of the early stages of infection by this mysterious disease in the ranks of the Surfcasters. So far it's just a noticeable lack of interest, (which looks like Stage 1 of the disease), and no comments about topics such as "what we want for professional Salmon Fishing" in the August Reel Talk under the heading "Western Angler Action Group", and the like.

I would have thought there would have been at least a few Surfcasters interested in Salmon fishing. Am I on the wrong track with what's in that article?

Wetline Review Moves At Last.

Advertisements have been placed about the long awaited professional wetline fishing review. These are calling for public submissions. This is the chance to raise those issues about professional wetline fishing so that the future of fishing in Western Australia can be assured.

The "Western Fisheries" magazine Summer 2003 article describes wetline fishing as follows: "The commercial wetline fishery includes all fishing activities that are not otherwise prohibited by commercial management plans, interim plans or other controls. Many finfish species are caught in the wetline fishery, including line-caught species such as dhutish and pink snapper and net-caught species such as Australian herring and whitebait. About 400 licensed fishing boats (LFBs) operate in the fishery each year, using hand lines, drop lines and hand-hauled nets to catch a range of fish species.

The Department of Fisheries' Commercial Fisheries Program Manager, Lindsay Joll, said that although the wetline review would result in a higher level of management for the commercial wetline fishery, it was not correct to say the fishery was "unmanaged" at present. Dr Joll said access to the fishery was limited to people with licensed fishing boats and commercial fishing licences, who had to observe a number of rules, such as restrictions or bans during breeding seasons, closed areas, minimum sizes and gear restrictions."

However, one glaring omission is that most species do not have any total allowable catch limit, so the only limit on what professionals can catch is what they can handle and sell while operating within the rules. Many professionals with wetline licenses also have other special endorsements allowing them to fish in the managed fisheries, such as rock lobster, and they do not wetline fish but there is currently nothing to stop them if they chose to.

The following information is from the Fisheries Department website advertisement calling for public submissions.

The Government is committed to introducing more effective management for all fisheries. This is essential if we are to provide a sustainable management framework, particularly for finfish stocks.

On this basis, a number of major fishery reviews have been undertaken in recent years. These have included the implementation of management for the aquatic charter sector, the Gascoyne and West Coast regional recreational reviews, a review of the commercial mackerel fishery, reviews of the South Coast and West Coast commercial estuarine fisheries and the development of an aboriginal fishing management strategy.

Each of these reviews is aimed toward putting management of each sector on a similar footing and to put in place the appropriate frameworks and controls in which spatial and allocation issues can proceed.

The final component of sectoral management required before we can shift towards an integrated system is the commercial wetline review. It is important to note at the outset that the wetline review is not aimed at resource allocation or reducing the commercial catch. The review is focussed toward implementing a more effective management framework for the commercial sector and to prevent further growth in this sector.

The review has commenced and two panels have been established to conduct the review:

A Commercial Access Panel (CAP) appointed to devise a fair and equitable method of determining who will have access to the fishery and their level of allocation; and

A Management Planning Panel (MPP) appointed to develop the specific management arrangements for the fishery. This is the first time a two-panel system has been used in a review in WA. This was done to separate the task of determining the management arrangements for the fishery (which requires extensive input from commercial fishing members) from access and allocation (which may benefit from a more independent analysis of fairness and equity issues).

It is anticipated that the Panels will be in a position to release discussion papers in the early part of next year (2004) for public comment. Upon review of these comments, the two Panels will then provide the Minister for

Fisheries with their final recommendations. Legislative changes will then be required to implement the new plans and, as with the introduction of most new management arrangements, an objections process will be required.

Call for Preliminary Submissions

Members of the fishing industry and the public are invited to make initial written submissions on matters they believe the panels should consider as part of the review. Submissions should be prior to 14 November, to:

Wetline Review Panels, Locked Bag 39, Cloisters Square Post Office, Perth WA 6850

Terms of Reference - Commercial Access Panel

"To provide advice and recommendations to the Minister on matters related to the grant of access to each of the regional 'wetline' managed commercial fisheries in Western Australia and in particular by:

In providing these recommendations the panel should:

- Examine the West Coast and Gascoyne Regions first, followed by the other Regions
- Liaise with the Management Planning Panels on relevant issues
- Make such enquiries on 'wetline' fishing as the committee thinks necessary to properly carry out its function.
- Take into account the spatial distribution of catch and effort
- Take into account whether there should be any weighting given to key species
- Take into account the various statements by the Minister regarding investment or activity in the wetline fishery after 3 November 1997 and any future allocation of access to the fishery
- Take into account other issues related to access criteria which the panel consider relevant

Terms of Reference - West Coast/Gascoyne Management Planning Panel

"To provide advice and recommendations to the Minister for Fisheries on matters related to the future management of the 'wetline' commercial fisheries in the West Coast and Gascoyne Regions of Western Australia by:

- incorporating the decision by the Minister for Fisheries on access criteria for the West Coast and Gascoyne into the management planning process;
- providing recommendations on the most appropriate management arrangements for the 'wetline' commercial fisheries in the West Coast and Gascoyne Regions, including whether there should be subzones within either of the Regions;
- reviewing relevant data on 'wetline' fishing in Western Australia provided by the Executive Director of Fisheries, including biological parameters of key target species;
- reviewing models for the management of the West Coast and Gascoyne 'wetline' commercial fisheries put forward by the Executive Director of Fisheries and others;
- ensuring the management arrangements for the commercial sector are compatible with those of the recreational and charter sectors and capable of supporting the Integrated Fisheries Management Process.
- considering the proposed objectives of the fishery in the development of management arrangements and providing recommendations on objectives for management
- providing advice on resourcing requirements for the management of the fishery and potential fee charging arrangements for licence holders.

<u>Definition of a "Flight" of Hooks.</u>

Section 2.2.4 of the Club's Competiton Rules says ".....Each rod or hand line must not have more than two (2) hooks, where a flight/gang of hooks is to be considered as one hook"

Ganging is the the term commonly used used to describe hooks linked through the eyes or with swivels, but is that all?

After some discussion about hooks joined by monofilament line instead of ganging, how far apart these could be, and whether these would be considered a gang/flight or considered as separate hooks, I have searched the Internet and found some slightly different definitions.

One says "A flight of hooks being a ganged set for a single bait." Another says:- A flight of hooks is defined as "a number of hooks which are ganged or individually fastened to a line for the specific purpose of securing a single bait".

The common thread is the use of a single bait, for example you could use 5 or 6 "ganged" hooks in a large garfish, or you could use two hooks connected by separate short lengths of wire to a snap clip, as I saw in Exmouth recently for a sailfish bait, and both would be legal.

I couldn't find any information on the WA Fisheries Department web site about gangs and flights. I know there used to be information about the State limit of no more than three hooks on a line, but I can't locate it now. Last time I had great trouble finding it, and none of the links had that sort of information.

Cape to Cape Marine Park Advisory Committee

The inaugural Capes Advisory Committee Meeting was held 3-4 September at Busselton. Over two days, the committee came up with the following outputs. These have been sent to the Club via AAA as part of the

Metropolitan Fishing Clubs Sector Reference Group, and we have been asked to give comments. Please send any comments to Secretary T Fuller.

Output 1: Draft Vision Statement for the proposed Capes Marine Conservation Reserve:

To preserve for future generations the unique nature of our marine environment, supporting sustainable human endeavour and recognising cultural and spiritual values.

Output 2: Draft List of ecological and social values identified by the Advisory Committee

Ecological Values

Ecosystem components and habitats:

BirdsWater qualityReefs -deepCharismatic megafaunaBeachesReefs - intertidalCoralsContinental shelfReefs - shallowFishEstuariesSeagrassInvertebratesGeomorphologyVegetation

Macroalgae Islands

Ecosystem processes:

Benthic productivity Feeding areas Boundaries between habitats Nursery areas

Ecosystem properties::

Biodiversity Species at risk Special places

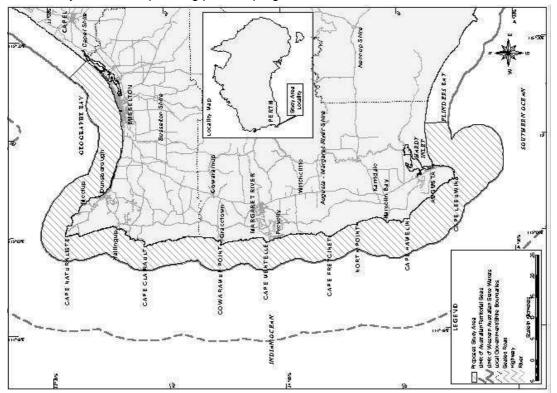
Endemism Habitat diversity Rarity Rare places

Social Values

Commercial water activities Lifestyle
Culture and heritage – European Research
Culture and heritage – Indigenous Tourism

Education Watersport activities Fishing – commercial and recreational Wilderness amenity

Output 3: Preliminary boundaries for the proposed marine conservation reserve to be considered as a basis for planning. Advisory committee will work within the existing boundaries for the proposed marine conservation reserve, and will reconsider the position of the northeastern boundary at the Busselton / Capel shire border and the inclusion of Hardy Inlet as the planning process progresses.



Output 4: Preliminary assessment of reserve class and purpose. The advisory committee will reconsider the class and purpose towards the end of the planning process but concluded that A-class status and a declared purpose of "Marine Park" with the possible inclusion of a "Marine Nature Reserve" seem appropriate.

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The minutes of the meeting show that there was discussion on the appropriate size of sanctuary zones. CALM explained that although a 10 km x 10 km blocks were recommended based on the Great Barrier Reef Marine Park experience but that likewise a recent scientific review of existing sanctuary zones suggests that even small reserves generate benefits. It was noted that the use of sanctuary zones, their size and location would be an issue that the Committee fully considers during the planning process.

It is possible to change the zoning of a marine park through a public consultation process (statutory steps). However, if you want to change boundaries of an A class reserve, a parliamentary process is required. Such decisions have implications on future flexibility of management and the ability to change management over time as more information is gathered as a result of research and monitoring programs. The difference between sanctuary zones and marine nature reserves (MNR) is that extraction is not allowed in either however, petroleum and seismic surveying is allowed in sanctuary zones (subject to EPA assessment). A MNR can only be changed through a parliamentary process and its purpose emphasises scientific research and limited tourism.

CALM will send minutes and outputs to the Sector Reference Groups following each meeting and then summarise their feedback for the Advisory Committee prior to the next meeting. The Advisory Committee will be provided with the summary and original submissions in the event of any more specific queries on a given submission.

The study area was extended to incorporate the Busselton Jetty and extensive seagrass meadows towards the Shire boundary. The extent to which the reserve boundary would reach into Hardy Inlet was questioned and the need to work with the Hardy Inlet management planning committee.