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NEXT GENERAL MEETING:

The next General Meeting will be held in the Buffaloes Hall, Onslow Road, Shenton Park on Wednesday, 11th August, 1971 at 8 p.m. sharp.

INSTRUCTION PERIOD:

At our next General Meeting, we hope to have Mr. Otter attend and give us instruction on lures and their uses. Should he not be available, an alternative will be arranged by the Committee. Don't forget members, voice your suggestions to Committee members re our instruction periods, don't sit on them!

NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING:

The next Committee Meeting will be held in the Buffaloes Hall, Onslow Road, Shenton Park on Thursday, 19th August, 1971 at 7.30 p.m. sharp.

AUGUST FIELD DAY - 14/15TH:

ROTTNEST ISLAND

This venue will take place on the weekend of 14th and 15th August at Rottnest Island. Boat leaves Barrack Street Jetty at 9.00 a.m. and East Street at 10 a.m. Fishing commences 2.00 p.m. and ceases the following morning at 10 a.m. See write-up after Field Day notes.

AUGUST DRY CASTING:

Casting will be held at the Floreat Park Oval on the 1st August. Events will start at 9.00 a.m. sharp and will include the S.H. Open $(1\frac{1}{2}oz)$, S.H.A., D.H.A., and L.L. Distance. Roll up and give your two new Drycasting Officers, Tom Corcoran and Graham Baskerville, a good attendance for their first event.

LIFE MEMBERS:

MESSRS. D.C. BROWN, V. DAVIS, L.M. DUNN, D.O. EDWARDS, N. KNIGHT and L. SHAND.

JULY FIELD DAY:

GARDEN ISLAND

As only sixteen members had booked in on our meeting night, it appeared as though Garden Island had lost its attraction. However, this was not so as indicated by our turn out. Fifty five anglers were in attendance, comprising of 40 members, 5 visitors, 6 juniors and 3 junior visitors.

There were about twenty-two members on the first boat from Palm Beach Jetty and these intrepid fishermen had enough gear to spend a week over there. It took us very little time to load as we arrived in dribs and drabs. But unloading on the other side, took some time and the gear we had brought, filled the truck. Just think what it would have been like if we had fifty members in one hit!

Of course a lot of the stuff (and by this I mean that in bottles and cans) did not return. Judging by the way some of the chaps were making full bottles empty, it appeared as though it was going out of fashion and they wanted to be in it before it did. Most of this took place Saturday night as it wasn't fit for man or dog outside. (Only anglers). A couple of real heavy showers drove a few in that might have continued fishing and by eight o'clock, there were many in the two big huts.

This same field day last year produced a very few fish and the July weekend was in fact worse. A total bag of 1601b works out about 31bs per member; not very good. Last year $186\frac{1}{2}$ 1b of fish were taken.

None of those who arrived on the first boat took a trip on the truck and headed for the guns area. Amongst these were GEORGE HOIMAN, DREW SHAW, DENNIS GREEN, TOM CORCORAN, NORM & STAN RENSHAW, son GEOFF, ERIC PARKER and DON BIBBY. Of those on the lat boat, DAVE LATTO, ERIC HILL and visitor, also shot off in this direction. New members in ALBY NORMAN, MERV DUNN, PHIL ISBISTER and RAY GIBBNEY, stuck together and headed off north after the illusive salmon (and they were).

The skippy hole had quite a few fishing in it. BOB FREDERICKS, HEW Y.HEW, REG NOBLE, ALAN CARR, ANDY SHACK, KEN A. JONES and son DERRICK (you ought to have seen his face when he caught a nice skippy off the jetty), and visitor JOHN SPEAK and son DAVID.

The salmon caught came from this area and one ounce separated the top two fish. BOB FREDERICK'S SALMON took the money from HEW'S. Later on, BOB shook out the four cunce sinker and six 12/0 hooks. Four salmon were caught and a few were missed in the same locality.

BOB TUCKER was walking along near the little rifle range casting out a spinner and retrieving, when a salmon took his line. Bob unfortunately lost this fish when it took him over a piece of reef and the line parted. Bob cam back to the hut about 8 o'clock, had a light snack and then brought in his bottle of McWilliams, (purely for medicinal purposes only)

- he was suffering from lack of fish.

Good bags? - came from the Skippy Hole and BOB FREDERICK'S did best with his 11 1b 2 oz bag. ALAN CARR (a visitor), did well to weigh in 10 1b 4 oz and HEWIE and another visitor, JOHN SPEAR, finished with 91b 9oz and 71b 8oz respectively. The skippy were conspicuous in their absence on this occasion.

Over at the back beach were JIM STRONG, TREVOR STAM, SELWYN BESSELL-BROWNE, RON KILDAHL, DOUG TALBOT, BILL UTTING, myself and two sons RAY (he beat me) and COLIN. BOB JENSEN was at his favourite hole at the back beach and quite a few times the water was coming over high enough to give Bob a soaking.

JACK THURLOW, "LIMMERICK" DONOHOE and GARY GARTON, came along the beach pulling a semi trailer loaded with gear - enough to start a new settlement. Enough driftwood was on the beach to put up the stockade, but these three elected to put up a comfy tent.

Not a great deal of fish was caught from this area on the Saturday and on the Sunday morning, it was worse. High tide and a large swell running made it difficult to gain any distance (especially with flick rods). Anglers were conspicuous by their absence.

ALF RUTLAND and HAL NEIL fishing in Jensens Bay without success, reported in early to have a meal then an early night. (How they could sleep with all the racket I'll never know).

GARY GILDERSLEEVE arrived on the third boat and proceeded to the south end, where he had a good spot to himself. Gary finished with the heaviest bag of scale fish, all herring, these weighed 141b 10oz. Good effort Gary.

Some chaps can't find their way back in the dark. MIKE DAWSON finished up going round the Island twice before he staggered in almost dead beat. He had been fishing at the Planks (not plonk). GARY G.... also lost direction coming back in the morning but made it OK.

A number of the keener anglers flung themselves out of bed Sunday morning (fourish) to go fishing (mad devils) without much success. Coming back from the Back Beach saw a large party fishing off the jetty. Lazy blighters. Young DERRICK JONES did best with his skippy and came dashing up to the weighin centre with it still flapping. Wasn't he happy Dad?

Many left on the first boat, if they hadn't, we would never have got all the gear on board.

The Guns area turned out to be fairly productive with members from this area getting amongst them (see list).

Once again it was left to a few to clean up the huts. This is not good enough, there were round about forty in the huts; it would help if everyone hopped in and helped.

Many thanks to JIM STRONG for the help on the weighin, it was appreciated.

JULY FIELD DAY RESULTS:

			<u>lb</u>	oz
G.	Gildersleeve	Herring	14	10
L.	Griffiths	Herring & Skippy	12	9
G.	Holman	Herring & Skippy	11	8
R_{ullet}	Fredericks9	Salmon & Cod	11	2
	Baskerville	Skippy, Tailor & Herring	10	13
Α.	Carr (V)	Salmon, Bream & Cod	10	4
S.	Renshaw	Herring	10	0
H_{ullet}	Y. Hew	Salmon & Herring	9	9
J.	Speak (V)	Salmon & Herring	7	. 8
D.	Green	Skippy & Herring	6	12
\mathbb{D}_{ullet}	Latto	Tailor & Herring	- 6	8
N.	Renshaw	Mixed	5	8
\overline{W} .	Schaap	Tailor & Herring		
	Hill	Tailor	4	12
\mathbb{D}_{ullet}	Bibby	Herring & Skippy	4	8
	Parker	Herring & Tailor	4	. 8
\mathbb{D}_{\bullet}	Shaw	Skippy & Herring	4	4
R.	Jensen	Tailor	2	14
	Lerch	Herring	2	12
	Reid (J)	Herring & Whiting	2	7
	Renshaw (J)	Herring & whiting	1	14
	Gibbney	Tailor	1	12
	Strong	Tailor & Herring	1	10
	Corcoran	Herring	_1	8
	Norman	Tailor	1	8
	Jones (J)	Skippy	1	6
	Kildahl	Tailor	1	6
	Cotter	Mackeral	1	5
	Talbot		1	3
	Dawson	Tailor	1 .	1
	Reid	Herring & Cod	J	13
	Lerch (J)	Herring	. · · O	12
	Bessell-Browne	Herring	0	10
	Reid (J)	Herring	0	7
· ·	1014 (0)	Herring	0	6
		TOTAL POUNDAGE:	160	 5
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Heaviest Scale Fish : R. Fredericks 81b 13oz Salmon Heaviest Bag Scale Fish : G. Gildersleeve 141b 10oz Herring

JUNIOR: R. Reid llb14oz Herring & Whiting

SPORTSMAN OF THE YEAR POINTS:

R. Fredericks : Heaviest Scale Fish
G. Gildersleeve : Heaviest Bag Scale Fish

MEMBERS ON VENUE:

R. Reid (J)
C. Reid (J)
M. Dawson
R. Lerch
C. Reid (J)
M. Dawson
R. Lerch (J)(V)
L. Reid
J. Cotter
R. Jensen
A. Shack
P. Cotter (J)
D. Latto
K.A. Jones
W. Schaap
E. Hill
D. Jones (J)
A. Norman
J. Donohoe
J. Speak (V)
W. Utting
J. Thurlow
D. Speak (JV)
R. Fredericks
G. Garton
T. Stam
A. Carr (V)
R. Tucker
J. Strong
D. Talbot
M. Kerr (V)
E. Parker
A. Rutland
D. Wood
D. Bibby
H. Neil
M. Dunn
T. Corcoran
D. Taylor (JV)
F. Isbister
D. Green
G. Gildersleeve
R. Gibbney
G. Holman
G. Baskerville
S. Renshaw
D. Shaw
C. Renshaw
G. Renshaw
R. Noble
M. Kildahl

Total - 40 members, 5 visitors, 6 juniors and 3 junior visitors

SPORTSMAN OF THE YEAR POINTS 1970/71:

 86
 G. HOLMAN
 52
 R. Tichbon

 76
 L. Reid
 47
 G. Baskerville

 67
 H.Y. Hew
 47
 W. Utting

 64
 R. Kildahl
 44
 J. Strong

 58
 R. Lerch
 42
 L. Tate

 57
 D. Talbot

AUGUST FIELD DAY: 14/15TH

ROTTNEST ISLAND

The "Panta-Rae" has been chartered to take us over to Rottnest on cur next field day. The times are as before: 9.00 a.m. from Barrack Street and 10 a.m. from East Street Jetty.

The cost has had to be increased because of higher truck and bus costs on the Island.

SENIORS \$5.30 JUNIORS \$2.50

The colour system used on past Rottnest venues will be used. They will be: RED: Ricey Beach area; GREEN: Radar Reef area and WHITE: will be the Caves.

Fishing commences 2.00 p.m. Saturday and finishes 10 a.m. Sunday. Those fishing the Caves area will be picked up first at approximately 11.00 a.m., then Radar and Ricey. Boat will leave Rottnest at 1.00 p.m.

Please tie all eskys and loose objects, they are not much use in the water. Cover all gaffs and sharp objects and hop in and HELP with the loading.

RISE IN CLUB FEES:

The Committee has considered our Treasurer's recommendation at their last meeting and have decided to raise club fees to \$8.00. Nominations remain the same, along with the Junior fee.

This increase is effective immediately and applies to 1971/72 year. See the Treasurer and make your subs current.

FOR SALE:

HAL NEIL has a large supply of warm woollen overcoats for sale at a dollar each. These are a particularly good buy. 'Phone on 28 8653 or see Hal at the meeting.

FISHING COMPETITION - FIELD DAY SECTION:

SECTION 1 - Points per pound. Ten points for attendance, one point for per pound of scale fish. All fish to be legal length. One point per pound for eligible sharks; excluding Port Jackson, Wobby, Fiddle, etc.

TOP TEN:

	H.Y. Hew	77	6.	R.	Kildahl	52
2,	S. Renshaw	67	7•	M_{ullet}	Dunn	48
3.	D. Green	62	8.	J.	Cotter	48
4.	G. Baskerville	61	9.	J.	Harvey	45
5.	D. Shaw	57	_ -		Fleming	36

- SECTION 2 Heaveist Scale Fish 1st six months

 J. Harvey 301b 5oz Wagoe
- <u>SECTION 3</u> Most Meritorious Fish

 Nominated at the end of season
- SECTION 4 Heaviest Shark (Min. weight 10 1b)
 No Entry
- SECTION 5 Heaviest Mulloway (Min. weight 51b)

 J. Harvey 301b 5oz Wagoe
- SECTION 6 Heaviest Tailor (Min. weight 21b)
 D. Talbot 71b 4oz Wagoe
- SECTION 7 Heaviest Salmon (Min. weight 71b)

 M. Dunn 91b 4oz Garden Island
- SECTION 8 Heaviest Trevally (Skippy) (Min. weight 21b)
 D. Holland 31b 5oz Wagoe
- SECTION 9 Heaviest Scale Fish other than above

 J. Devitt 41b 10oz Snapper Wagoe
- SECTION 10 Heaviest Bag Scale Fish caught on Field Day (Min. 201b)

 J. Harvey 351b 4oz Wagoe
- SECTION 11 Heaviest Bag of Mulloway (Min. 201b)

 J. Harvey 301b 5oz Wagoe

FIELD DAY SECTION cont'd:

- SECTION 12 Heaviest Bag of Tailor (Min. weight 201b)
 No Entry
- SECTION 13 Heaviest Scale Fish caught on S.H. Rod (Min. 121b B.S. Line)
 No Entry
- SECTION 14 Heaviest Spanish Mackeral
 No Entry

OPEN DIVISION - FISHING COMPETITION - MAY 1971/72:

Entries to be submitted on correct form and the hand of the Recorder within 30 days of capture. Entry forms are available from any Committee Member. The final results below are those at time of print.

- SECTION 1 Most Meritorious Fish

 No Entry
- SECTION 2 Heaviest Shark (Min. 101b)
 No Entry
- SECTION 3 Heaviest Mulloway (Min. weight 51b)
 L. Reid 281b 4oz Kalbarri
- SECTION 4 Heaviest Salmon (Min. weight 71b)
 No Entry
- SECTION 5 Heaviest Jewfish
 No Entry
- SECTION 6 Heaviest Tailor (Min. weight 21b)
 No Entry
- SECTION 7 Heaviest Samson Fish
 No Entry
- SECTION 8 Heaviest Scale Fish caught on S.H. Rod (Max. B.S. 121b)
 W. Morrow Queenfish 11 1b Exmouth Gulf

OPEN DIVISION cont'd:

SECTION 9 + Heaviest Snapper
No Entry

SECTION 10 - Heaviest Tarwhine (Silver Bream)
No Entry

SECTION 11 - Heaviest Spanish Mackeral
No Entry

SECTION 12 - Heaviest Trevally (Southern) (Min. weight 21b)
No Entry

SECTION 13 - Heaviest Northern Trevally (Min. weight 121b)

No Entry

SECTION 14 - Heaviest Pike
No Entry

SECTION 15 - Heaviest Fish (Scale) other than above excluding Section One
W. Morrow - Queenfish - 151b 8oz - Exmouth

Thanks to the many Donors. both Club Members and Trade Representatives, who donated either cheques or goods to help our Trophy Presentation night to be the success it was.

DONORS 1970/71:

Norrie Cross

Canes & Noels (D. Green)
Midway Greengrocers (P. Lockyer)
Alvey (H.J. McQuillan)
Andy Shack
Ken Mathews
Les Reid & Brian Hanks
Shenton Park Hardware
Rod Franklin
Rudy Lerch
Doug Newton
Les Tate
Jack Harvey
Ted Savage
S. Bessell-Browne

Linnetts (3)
E.J. Tood (Campbell Ryan)
Jim Strong (2)
Doug Edward
Tiny O'Neil
George Holman
Bob Clayton
H.J. McQuillan
Arthur Horton
J.M. Gillies
Doug Talbot

Doug Talbot E. & D. McGlinn Jarvis Walker

THANKS to ARCH TICKLIE for his "Sinker" Fund - Arch raised \$35 towards our trophys.

Thanks also go to HENRY BESTER for his display of the trophies. To all the donors and also Social Organiser, Snow Tate, Chairman Doug and all members who helped make this night a success, Thanks. R. KILDAHL PRESIDENT

FIELD DAY OFFICER'S POLICY

WEIGH-IN FOR ROTTNEST:

Can take place at "RADAR" by A.F.D.O. and "RICEY" by F.D.O. at their discretion.

Members who fish in areas other than those above will have their fish weighed after the boat has been loaded for the return trip.

<u>VENUES FOR 1971 - 1972</u>:

This year on field days it would be appreciated if all members will comply with the following:-

- a) Each member to register PERSONALLY "BEFORE" field day commences; times will be published in "Reel Talk" for each month's venue.
- b) Each member to weighin his own fish in the times stated in that month's "Reel Talk".

FAILURE TO SIGN ON:

Member will not be eligible for points

Fish <u>WILL NOT</u> be accepted outside of weighin times.

NOTE:

. If a member is working and cannot make the sign in time, he can notify me at the General Meeting or 'phone me at work or home.

WORK NO. - 86 2481 Ext. 581

HOME NO. - 49 3831 as printed in "Reel Talk"

LES REID FIELD DAY OFFICER

SECTIONS - WINNERS - DONORS:

The following is a list of Field Day, Dry Casting and Open Section winners and trophy donors for the benefit of those interested.

FIELD DAY SECTION:

- SECTION 1 Points per pound
 - First 513 pts Hew Hoy Yew Canes & Noel Trophy (D.Green) Second 489 pts George Holman - Alvey & Son Third 482 pts Graham Baskerville - Andy Shack
- SECTION 2 Heaviest Scale Fish (Ken Matthews Trophy)

 lst six months Ron Mansfield 49\frac{1}{2}lb Mulloway
 2nd six months Les Reid 34\frac{1}{2}lb Spanish Mackeral
- SECTION 3 Most Meritoricus Fish (Arch Ticklie Trophy)
 Brian Hanks Grey Nurse Shark 961b
- SECTION 4 Heaviest Shark (Arch Ticklie Trophy)

 Brian Hanks Grey Nurse Shark 96 lb
- SECTION 5 Heaviest Mulloway (Les Ried & Brian Hanks Trophy)

 Ron Mansfield 49¹/₄lb
- SECTION 6 Heaviest Tailor (Arch Ticklie Trophy)

 George Holmen 91b 6oz
- SECTION 7 Heaviest Salmon (Midway Greengrocers : P. Lockyer Trophy)

 Hew Hoy Yew 101b
- SECTION 8 Heaviest Trevally (Shenton Park Hardware Trophy)

 George Holman 31b 4oz
- SECTION 9 Heaviest Scale Fish other than above (Doug Talbot Trophy)
 Rudy Lerch 141b Samson Fish
- SECTION 10 Heaviest Bag of Scale Fish on Field Day (E.G. Todd Trophy)

 Paul March 117341b
- SECTION 11 Heaviest Bag of Mulloway on Field Day (George Holman Trophy)
 Gary Gildersleeve 1031b
- SECTION 12 Heaviest Bag of Tailor (Shenton Park Hardware Trophy)

 George Holman 401b 4oz
- SECTION 13 Heaviest Scale Fish on S.H. Rod (Rudy Lerch Trophy)

 Les Reid 83/41b Salmon

SECTION 14 - Heaviest Spanish Mackeral (Doug Edward Trophy)
Les Reid - 34 1b

JUNIOR WINNER: Paul Marsh - 235 pts (Doug Newton Trophy)

OLD STALWARTS TROPHY: Les Tate (Club Trophy)

CASTING TROPHY WINNERS:

OUTRIGHT WINNER: Robert Tichbon - 1493 pts (Linnetts Sports Depot Trophy)

SECOND: Doug Talbot - 1450 pts (Faulls Trophy)

THIRD: George Holman - 1436 pts (Eric & Doris McGlinn Trophy)

LEVEL LINE HCP: First - Les Reid - 574 pts (Linnetts Sports Depot Trophy)
Second- Bill Utting - 563 pts (Ted Savage Trophy)

DOUBLE HANDED ACCURACY:

First - Bob Tucker - 488 pts (Arch Ticklie Trophy) Second - John Nuich - 451 pts (Jack Harvey Trophy)

SINGLE HANDED ACCURACY:

First - Brian Leicester - 211 pts (Arch Ticklie Trophy) Second- Rudy Lerch - 192 pts (Linnetts Sports Depot Trophy)

OPEN DOUBLE HANDED LEVEL LINE DISTANCE:

John Devitt - 1920 pts (Selwyn Bessell-Browne Trophy)

OPEN SINGLE HANDED LEVEL LINE DISTANCE:

Bob Tucker - 1200 pts (Arthur Horton Trophy)

LEVEL LINE HANDICAP:

Les Reid - 574 pts (Linnetts Sports Depot Trophy)

NORRIE CROSS TROPHY: (Most improved caster)

Rudy Lerch

OPEN FIELD DAY SECTION:

SECTION 1 - Most Meritorious Fish (Arch Ticklie Trophy)
Rudy Lerch - 51 lb Mulloway

SECTION 2 - Heaviest Shark (Jim Strong Trophy)
Rudy Lerch - 3711b

SECTION 3 - Heaviest Mulloway (Jim Strong Trophy)
Hew Hoy Yew - 521b

OPEN FIELD DAY SECTION Cont'd.

- SECTION 4 Heaviest Salmon NO ENTRY
- SECTION 5 Heaviest Jewfish (Jarvis Walker Trophy)

 Barry Reynolds 271b 6oz
- SECTION 6 Heaviest Tailor (Club Trophy)

 Ken R. Jones 101b lloz
- SECTION 7 Heaviest Samson Fish (Club Trophy)
 Eric Sullivan 33\frac{1}{2}1b
- SECTION 8 Heaviest Scale Fish on S.H. Rod (Bob Clayton Tackle Shop (Dog Swamp Trophy)

 Ken R. Jones 121b 2oz Mackeral Tuna
- SECTION 9 Heaviest Snapper (Club Trophy)

 Barry Reynolds 21 1b 10oz
- SECTION 10 Heaviest Tarwhine (Oliver Trophy)

 Rudy Lerch 11b 5oz
- SECTION 11 Heaviest Spanish Mackeral (Tiny O'Neil Trophy)

 Ken R. Jones 351b
- SECTION 12 Heaviest Trevally (Southern) NO ENTRY
- SECTION 13 Heaviest Trevally (Northern) (Club Trophy)
 Arch Ticklie 121b
- SECTION 14 Heaviest Pike (Club Trophy)
 Noel Knight 7lb 7oz
- SECTION 15 Scale Fish other than above NO ENTRY

SURF CASTING AND ANGLING CLUB OF W.A. (INC.)

TREASURER'S REPORT FOR YEAR ENDED OTH APRIL, 1971.

Mr. President, Gentlemen,

I submit for your approval the attached financial statements and Balance Sheet for the year ended 30th April, 1971.

During the year the Club experienced a deficiency of income over expenditure amounting to \$147.00, which is arrived at after allowing \$62.00 for depreciation. This result is not satisfactory and should not be allowed to continue. Unless cost can be curbed in the future, serious thought will have to be given to either raising subscriptions, charging for any social activities held, organising raffles, or running any other fund raising scheme. As you are all possibly aware, it takes a long period of time to build up a bank balance, but a short time to spend, especially when income does not cover expenses.

Below I have detailed the major increases and decreases in both Income and Expenditure in comparison to last year's figures:

INCOME:

Social:

This year social fees increased by \$228.00 mainly due to increasing the cost to attend the Annual Dinner and Dance.

Field Day Fees:

An increase in the number of field days held at Rottnest this year resulted in an increase in fees received.

Raffle:

During the year it was seen the Club's costs would be higher than Income and it was decided to run a raffle to offset the rising costs. The net result was \$178.00 income for the Club.

The other items of Income remained fairly constant with last year. A special "Thank You" to Arch Ticklie for the time and work put into the making of sinkers for resale to Club Members. This year \$35.00 was received which goes towards payment of trophies.

cont.. TREASURER'S REPORT FOR YEAR ENDED 30TH APRIL 1971.

EXPENDITURE:

Reel Talk:

A large increase of \$315.00 occurred in Reel Talk costs this year. The majority of this amount was attributed to purchasing paper, stencils and ink, The cost of typing the stencils increased by \$24.00 and it was decided the amount of work involved warranted this increase.

Hall Rental:

This cost increased by \$44.00 on last year's figure, as we had the full year in the current hall for our meetings.

Social:

An increase of \$249.00 in expenditure in our social activities occurred this year. The majority of this increase was due to a hot dinner being supplied at the Annual Dinner and Dance for the first time. (This increase in expenditure is offset by an increase in income of \$228.00 for social). However, the overall result of the social activities for the year was as follows:-

Total Received \$681 Total Expended \$981

Deficiency: \$300

Trophies:

The cost of Trophies this year amounted to \$189.00 as compared to \$94.00 last year.

Rottnest Island Field Days:

Last year the cost was \$264.00 as compared to \$549.00 this year, As explained previously, this is due to an increase in the number of Field Days held on the Island. Fees received from Members attending these venues totalled \$517.00 so the Club had to cover the \$32.00 deficiency.

In the past twelve months the Building Fund increased by \$391 as compared to \$270 for 1970 year. The majority of this increase is attributed to Interest received amounting to \$208.00 this year compared to \$105.00 last year. This was due to full 12 months interest on investments being received and \$61.00 received from the Bank, whereas in 1970, the Bank Interest had not been credited by the 30th April. I would recommend a further \$500.00 be withdrawn from the Building Fund Bank Account and placed with the Building Society to obtain a higher rate of interest.

cont.. TREASURER'S REPORT FOR YEAR ENDED 30TH APRIL 1971.

As at the 30th April, 1971, Club membership totalled 164, which is an overall increase of 3 on last year. A total of 27 new Members were admitted to the Club this year, but 24 persons either resigned or did not renew their subscriptions.

In conclusion, I wish to advise I will not be seeking re-election this coming year as it is felt after 5 years it is time for a new face to be on the scene.

I would therefore take this opportunity of thanking all Members for their co-operation and assistance afforded to me during this time and wish both the Club and Committee every success in the future.

D.V. SALT, A.A.S.A. HON. TREASURER.

14th July, 1971

The Members, Surf Casting and Angling Club of W.A. (Inc.)

Gentlemen,

AUDIT OF CLUB FINANCIAL RECORDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH APRIL 1971

The audit of the financial records of our Club for the year ended 30th April 1971 has been completed following procedures established in previous years. All entries for the year appear to be in order.

The financial statements prepared by the Treasurer and submitted to this Annual General Meeting of Members for your adoption, in my opinion, do correctly summarise the financial activities of the Club for the year under review.

R.G. KLEIN (F.A.S.A.) HONORARY AUDITOR

SURF CASTING AND ANGLING CLUB OF W.A. (INC.) BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30TH APRIL 1971.

<u> 1970</u>	CURRENT ASSETS:-	No wood or a value		
1463 213	Cash at Bank of New South Wales General Fund Building Fund Petty Cash on Hand	1140 604	1744 2	1746
	PREPAYMENTS:-			
40 13	Rental of Hall 1970/71 Social Insurance Premium		40	40
	INVESTMENTS:-			٠
500 800 800	Home Building Society 7% Due 21st August, 1973 7% Due 5th January, 1973 7% Due 14th August, 1974		500 800 800	2100
	FIXED ASSETS - AT VALUATION LESS	DEPRECIA!	<u>rion</u> :-	
49 12 15 20 33 11	Olivetti Typewriter Gestetner Duplicator Heavy Salter Scales Light Salter Scales Cargill Tent Table & Chairs	12 16 28	65	
	AT COST LESS DEPRECIATION:-			
	Olivetti Typewriter Loud Hailer	221 35	256	321
3969	TOTAL ASSETS:-	******	e de la companya del companya de la companya del companya de la co	4207
	Less CURRENT LIABILITIES:-	,		
<u>12</u> \$3957	Subscriptions paid in Advance 197 ACCUMULATED FUNDS:-	1/72		<u>6</u> \$4201
	This is represented by:-			
	ACCUMULATED FUNDS:-			
3496	Balance brought forward 1st May, Add Excess of Income over Expenditure ended 30th April, 1971		r	395 7
	surplus - General Fund - Deficiency		147	044
<u>270</u> \$3957	- Building Fund - Exress	er.	<u>391</u>	\$4201 ====

SURF CASTING AND ANGLING CLUB OF W.A. (INC.)

STATEMENT OF	INCOME &	EXPENDITURE	FOR	YEAR	ENDED	30TH	APRIL :	<u> 1971</u>

<u> 1970</u>	<u>INCOME</u> :-		
849	Subscriptions Received	842	
<u>12</u>	Add Subscriptions paid in advance 1969/70	12	
861		854	
1	Less Subscription in Arrears 1969/70 -		00
12	Subscription paid in Advance 1971/72	6	848
453	Social		, <u>681</u>
87	Dry Casting Fees		52 548
349 30	Field Day Fees Trophy Donations		52
22	Sale of Badges & Transfers		ic
12	Sale of Lead - Trophy Fund		34
2	Rottnest Hut rental		770
	Net Proceeds of Raffle - as per Account		178
1893	TOTAL INCOME:-		2403
	Less EXPENDITURE:-		
	REEL TALK EXPENSES:		**************************************
75	Stencils - Typing 99		
4	Binding of Volumes		
54 	Paper for Printing Covers 275 Stencils and Ink 76	448	
11	Library Purchases		
	Purchase of Film for Field Days	9 1	
	Hire Fees on Field Days - Camping Area	5	
55	Rent paid - Shenton Park Lodge Hall	99	
	REPAIRS:		
25	Typewriter -		
9	Scales -	22	
- 5	Gestetner29 Fees paid to W.A. Division of A.A.A.	. 29	
96	Stamps & Stationery	5 62	
10	Donations - Adelaide Convention	10	1 - 5200
722	Social 981		
<u>50</u>	Add Rent paid in Advance on Hall 69/70 40		
772	1021	<u>.</u>	
<u>40</u>	Less Rent paid in Advance on Hall 70/71 40	981	
41	Club & Name Badges & Transfers	4	
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cont...STATEMENT OF INCOME & EXPENDITURE FOR YEAR ENDED 30TH APRIL 1971 INSURANCE PAID: Public Risk 45 3 Cash in Transit Personal Accident - Dry Casting Club Property 91 <u>13</u> Less Insurance Prepaid 79 3 Rottnest Hut Expenditure 12 12 Dry Casting Expenditure Trophies 94 189 Cheque Books 5 ROTTNEST ISLAND FIELD DAYS: 64 Truck Hire 162 **200** Boat Charter 385 Ribbons 549 44 Depreciation as per Schedule \$191 Deficiency of Income over Expenditure 147 for year ended 30th April 1971 SURF CASTING AND ANGLING CLUB OF W.A. (INC.) STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS FOR YEAR ENDED 30TH APRIL 1971 GENERAL FUND 1970 1264 Balance brought forward 1st May 1970 Excess of Income over Expenditure for year 191 ended 30th April 1971 44 Depreciation written off-non cash item 12 Subscriptions paid in Advance 1971/72 6 1 Subscriptions in Arrears 1969/70 50 Rent paid in Advance 1969/70 Dinner 40 Insurance Premium Prepaid 1969/70 13 Trade-In of Olivetti Typewriter 148 1562 1611 Deficiency of Income over Expenditure for year ended 30th April 1971 147 12 Subscriptions paid in Advance 1969/70 12 34 First Prize in Raffle - 100 gallons of Petrol 13 Insurnace Premium prepaid 40 Rent paid in Advance 1970/71 Dinner 40 Purchase of Olivetti Typewriter 232 Purchase of Loud Hailer 38 469 **\$1**463 Balance carried forward 30th April 1971 \$1142

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cont	STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS FOR YEAR	RENDED	30TH APRI	L 1971
1970	GENERAL FUND contd.	••	21 Aug. 1	
	This is represented by:	•••		
1463	Cash at Bank of New South Wales Petty Cash on Hand			1140 2
31463 ====		•	e de la companya de l	\$1142 ====
	BUILDING FUND			·
2043	Balance brought forward 1st May 1970 Add			2313
114 11 40	Nomination Fees Received Donations Insurance Commission Received		108 15 43	
	INTEREST RECEIVED:			
105	Home Building Society Bank of New South Wales Sale of Sand Spikes Refund - Amatuer Sportsman's Assen.	147 _61	208 7 — 10	391
2313 ====	Balance carried forward 30th April 1971			\$2 7 04
	This is represented by:-			
213 2100	Cash at Bank of New South Wales Investment - Home Building Society		e la cual	604 2100
2313				\$2704

SURF CASTING AND ANGLING CLUB OF W.A. (INC.)

DEPRECIATION SCHEDULE FOR YEAR ENDED

30TH APRIL, 1971.

ITEM	<u>VALUE</u> 30.4.1970	ADDITION	RATE	DEPCN	<u>VALUE</u> 30.4.1971
			•		
Olivetti Typewriter	49		Traded in for \$27.	22	Nil
Gestetner Duplicator	12		20%	12	Nil
Heavy Salter Scales	15		10%	3	12
Light Salter Scales	20		10%	4	16
Cargill Rent	33		10%	4 5	28
Table and Chairs Olivetti T/Writer	11		10%	2	9
13.1.71		232	10%	11	221
Loud Hailer - 20.8.70)	38	10%	3	35
					
	\$140	\$270		\$62	\$321
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RAFFLE ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDED 30TH APRIL 1971

INCOME:

Sale of Tickets			291
Less EXPENSES:			
Printing of Tickets Advertising Stamps Payment of Prizes		21 6 6 80	<u>113</u>
	PROFIT:		\$178

MEMBERS ACCEPTED:

The following applications for membership have been accepted.

GIBBNEY: Raymond William 272 Morley Drive,

NOBLE: Reginald John 11 Cliff Way,

Dianella. W.A. 6062.

Claremont. W.A. 6010.

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP:

The following applications for membership to our Club have been received. Any member having any reason(s) why these people should not be accepted as a member of this Club, are invited to contact a Committee Member.

GARTON: Garry Albert, 86 Streid Avenue, Kelmscott. W.A. 6111.

LUCAS: Frederick Hubert, 3 Campion Ave., Nollamara. W.A. 6061.

MORRELL: Harrdy D., 144 Westminister Street, East Victoria Park. W.A. 6101.

BERRYMAN: Ernest James, 106 Ventnor Street, Scarborough. W.A. 6019.

JUNIOR MEMBER:

LERCH: Ralph, 107 Ravenswood Drive, Nollamara. W.A. 6061.

SUBSCRIPTIONS NOW DUE:

SENIORS: \$8.00

JUNIORS: \$2.00

JULY DRY CASTING

After reporting last month that BOB TUCKER would no longer attend our casting day, (He's giving the golf a fair share of time), he came along to bring DNUG TALBOT a new rod he had made up. Finding out that the competition hadn't started, BOB paid up his 20 cents and decided to stay. The fact that he didn't bring his gear worried him not, he could easily borrow some, as there was enough to start an average sports store.

Bob finished up with one of those days when everything you try pays off; (even with borrowed gear). He finished up winning the competition, scoring a remarkable 140 points. During this time, he equalled the record score for the S.H.A., shared previously by himself and BOB TICHBON with 35/40 set in 1968; in the D.H.A., he set the highest score so far this year with 61/80.

While the last figure isn't high compared to the record, it's still in the book and will take some catching. As a result of Bob's effort, he moves up from sixth spot in the Top Twenty to tie second place with HEWIE. Congratulations Bob, a very good effort.

Probably next month we shall see some of the members leaving their gear home, hoping that some of Bob's luck will rub off. Some remarks were made, "that he should have stayed home"; and someone else remarked "that he should have played eighteen holes rather than nine, as he wouldn't have been able to compete".

The day started off with the inaugral 2oz L.L. Distance Open, and it was expected that JOHN DEVITT would take this off. However, after a disasterous start (B.O.), John had to watch HEW Y. HEW fire off with a long one, then GRAHAM BASKERVILLE and surprise of surprises, BOB FREDERICKS, with a little egg beater, jagged one at 370 feet. Bob fainted. John's second shot was a nice smooth cast but was unable to match HEW'S 388 feet by four feet. GRAHAM BASKERVILLE'S second cast was his best and this effort was good enough to give him a distance of 380 feet.

It was felt by a large group prior to the event, that distances would not be great owing to the sinker weight, 2 oz., After the results were recorded it was found that there wasn't a great deal of difference (with one or two exceptions), cpmpared to distances achieved with weights of a personal choice. Therefore, I consider that this event, from my viewpoint, was worthwhile including and shows what distances can be obtained with identical weights.

Twenty nine members were in attendance on an ideal day, and while no record, was above average. Numerous visitors made an appearance and gave the impression of a spectator sport. Included amongst the visitors were a number from JACK HARVEY'S classes (keeping an eye on the tutor) and one, (who possessed a most unusual reel, a large wooden egg beater) from the

Fremantle Angling Club. Noticed GEORGE HOLMAN doing a public relations job with a group of interested people. Thanks George.

Just diverting for a moment, the Fremantle Angling Club have now included dry casting into their fishing calendar. They hold it on the Sunday following our own in the afternoon and conduct same on A.A.A. lines. It's hoped to hold an Inter Club Meet at some future time and should be enjoyable (social and competition).

TOM CORCORAN in scoring 58/80 in the D.H.A., knocked up a personal best in this Section. Tom scored evenly with his four casts and looked a 'cert' to win this segment. (Someone had the audacity to write 'Wanker' under Tom's name.... a mate of yours Tom?) However.... Third was myself with 54/80 and my best score for some months. (Not my piece of pie). Others to achieve a good result were ERIC SULLIVAN and BILL MORROW (who wanted 5 casts - daydreaming) with 50/80; JOHN DEVITT and BOB FREDERICKS who both had 49/80. JOHN scored a "bull" with his third cast after dipping out on his first, he also flunked a bull in practise on the same target. BOB has improved steadily over past weeks and must move higher up the list when he practises with the S.H.

Of the newer members, DENNIS GREEN gave a good account, scoring 47/80, JIM OXLEY (comes all the way from Greenmount) has to improve on accuracy, but is keen and will improve. BARRY REYNOLDS, (who hadn't made an appearance for six months) had a fairly successful day in accuracy events. GARY GILDERSLEEVES, (four months absence) also was moderately successful in both events.

Some very good scores were established in the S.H.A. Second to BOB TUCKER was NOEL KNIGHT, who usually finishes close to the top in either accuracy competition. NOEL with his first two shots didn't set the world on fire, but his second two That last one must have been close to the "bull" Noel.

Two shots further away on 27/40 was RON KILDAHL, who threw evenly on four casts to register his score. Ron usually scores above average in the D.H.A and seems to enjoy this portion more than the S.H.A.

Worthy of a mention were DOUG TALBOT (usually deadly) and HEWIE (scored a bull with his last shot), both scored 26/40; JOHN DEVITT (finished second overall on the day and threw well to score 25/40; TOM CORCORAN (very successful day) carried on from the D.H.A. and scored 23/40; BILL UTTING showing some of his skill, also returned the same score.

The L.L. Distance was once again won by JOHN DEVITT, whose three casts have him a total of 47 points. In his casts, John recorded the days best distance of 491 feet, which was very good. HEW Y. HEW and RUDY LERCH did well also, with 37 and 36 points respectively. GARY GILDERSLEEVE and BARRY REYNOLDS both cast well with two throws, but on those B.O.'s.

NOEL also suffered from this malady, but one of his casts of 397 feet, was a beauty. "SNAPPER" PARKER lived up to his reputation with two beauties (B.O's). GRAHAM BASKERVILLE with best cast of 391 feet, "SNOW" TATE and BOB FREDERICKS were unfortunate to also include a B.O. GEORGE HOLMAN usually casts longer than those registered. Perhaps it was the coaching he was doing!

There have been some adjustments in the Top Twenty, (already mentioned BOB TUCKER). BOB TICHBON moves up four places and must figure again this year. TOM CORCORAN with his accuracy burst, moved up to eighth position.

The competition looks like being a keen one this year, but there is still room for \underline{YOU} , so come on, be a sport, attend and see if you like casting. Who knows, you may get a surprise and enjoy the day.

Next month the commencing time will be 9.00 a.m., in view of the fixtures, which will include the S.H. Open $(1\frac{1}{2}oz)$.

I would like to say at this stage that I have enjoyed the year very much and if a new D.C.O. is appointed, trust that you will give him your support. Many thanks to the members who assisted during the past twelve months, either marking, helping with gear, or writing scores, it was appreciated.

CASTING RESULTS:

OVERALL POINTS WINNER		D.H.A.	2
R. Tucker: 140 pts		1. R. Tucker 2. T. Corcoran	61/80 58/80
S.H.A.	-	3. L. Reid	54/80
	35/40 29/40	L.L. DISTANCE	e
3. R. Kildahl	27/40	1. J. Devitt 2. H.Y. HEW	46 pts 37 pts
L.L. OPEN 2 OZ.		3. R. Lerch	36 pts
 H.Y. Hew J. Devitt G. Baskerville 	388 ft 384 ft 380 ft	LONGEST CAST	
21	,	J. DEVITT	491 feet

TOP TWENTY:

l.	J. Devitt	218 + 131 = 349	li.	D.	Talbot ·	184	_	97	= 281
2.	H.Y. Hew	227 + 110 = 337			Utting				= 278
3.	R. Tucker	197 + 140 = 337						-	= 230
4.	N. Knight	209 + 104 = 313			Baskerville				
5.	R. Tichbon	193 + 108 = 301	15.	T.	Stam				= 220 = 223
6,	R. Lerch	210 + 90 = 300							= 223 = 211
	D. Latto	202 + 95 = 297			Nuich				= 211 = 192
8.	T. Corcoran	173 + 122 = 295			Parker				= 192 = 190
	G. Holman	197 + 95 = 292							= 190 = 186
10.	L. Reid	180 + 106 = 286			Green				= 100 = 177
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FIELD DAYS FOR 1971/72 SEASON:

May 15/16 Garden Island June 5/6/7 Wagoe/Lucky Bay (L.W.E.) July 17/18 Garden Island August 14/15 Rottnest September 11/12 October 9/10/11 Garden Island Wagoe/Lucky Bay (Larta) November 13/14 Jurien Bay/Cerventas December 11/12 Wedge January 15/16 Flinders Bay (S/E Augusta) February Cerventas March Murchison April. Margaret River

METHOD OF MEASUREMENT (Amendment to inside cover)

GARFISH are measured from the tip of the upper jaw to the end of the upper half of the tail; PRAWNS are measured along the body from eye to the tip of the tail; CRAYFISH are measured along the mid-dorsal line from the anterior edge of the pronounced ridge which joins the front edges of the rostral horns immediately posterior to the eye stalks, to the posterior margin of the carapace; CRABS are measured from the tip to tip of the posterior margin of the carapace spikes; MARROW are measured from the tip of the rostrum to the posterior margin of the carapace along the middorsal line; all other fish are measured from the point of the snout to the end of the tail.

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E. Parker	21	315	B.0	B.0	294	98	10

THE LIMERICK OF THE MONTH

Now Bob Fredericks is happy and gay Going home from G.I. he chuckled all the way. To tell his bug, Herbie Two He had just pipped Hew Hoy Yew. With a Salmon that won him the field day.

		D	.H. AC	CURACY					S.	H. ACCURACY	
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FOR SALE:

Hal Neil has a large supply of warm woollen overcoats for sale at a Dollar each. These are a particularly good buy. Phone Hal on 28 8653 for information or see him at the Meeting.

Cont Fourth instalment of "THE TRIAL TRAIL" by Dave Latto.....

The paint spray pack has given a new dimension to the vandal. Easy to obtain, carry and conc eal, and requiring the minimum of brain to operate, it is ideally suited to his purpose. On burnt out vehciles, rocks, and it seemed to me, a final insult to this poor specimen of vegetation, the Boab, was sprayed a variety of information (none obscene), ranging from 'I love you' and 'Ban the Bomb' symbols, to religious slogans. One I remember well as we followed its message nearly to coastal Queensland, was "Prepare to meet God". I am not sure if this message was displayed through cynicism or concern for the souls of fedup travellers, but after a rough stretch of road, resulting in a blowout, on the trailer, I remarked that I would not expect to meet Him up here, though if I should, I would have a few things to say regarding roads, dust, and at this point, spinefex burrs.

Sunday the 19th of July, Fitzroy Crossing around 2.30 p.m. I am not sure what size twwn we expected, but certainly not what we found. To the left of the road were huge stock pens. To the right, a hundred or so yards further on and parallel with the bitumen, was a dirt loop road along which were two or three houses, a fuel drum depot, police station, and post office, one or two vacant blocks, and where the bitumen was rejoined by the loop before disappearing down the river's steep bank, was the hospital. We looked in vain for a petrol pump, and I thought I would have to ask a policeman. The Derby incident fresh in mind, I decided to investigate a sign reading Crossing Inn we had noticed near the stock yards, and pointing the way to a track-which angled down the steep bank of a creek and up the other dust; side, to bring us, a quarter mile or so further on to the Inn. This was a combination hotel, store, and service station. A sign on the pump read, "No petrol before 4 o'clock Sundays". We wiled away the time in the river below the hospital searching for stones, and paddling in the clean, clear pools, where the concrete Crossing, wide enough for one vehicle at a time, runs the 200 yard width of the river's sandy bed. The dying Easterly ruffled the surface of the water slightly, and stirred the leaves on the tall river gums to a gentle whisper. It was very peaceful.

Not so the Inn when we returned. A crowd of locals (mostly coloured) had materialised. They sat, stood and lay on the concrete verandah, drinking cool drink from cans and eating a variety of foodstuff. Dressed in "Ten Gallon" hats of various vintage, the men wore colourful shirts and, what amazed me, tight jeans, in such a hot climate. The women and "Pics" wore a collection of shapeless dresses. Footwear ranged from new to very decrepit riding boots, though most favoured was bare feet. A colossal din issued, both from the gathering and a juke box blasting out a Slim Dusty recording. This gentleman seems to enjoy great popularity in Northern areas, posters proclaiming his coming and goings are pasted everywhere.