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**The Official News Letter of  
SURF CASTING AND ANGLING CLUB OF W.A. (Inc.)**

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The December meeting of the Club will be held on Wednesday, 11th. December, 1957, in the National Fitness Council Room, 50 James Street, Perth, commencing at 8 p.m. sharp.

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

As we don't see all members at our meetings, your Committee takes this opportunity of wishing you all a very Happy and Merry Christmas and a particularly prosperous New Year, especially in your catches of those members of the elusive piscatorial tribe. To the wives of all members go a special greeting. If they didn't let us go fishing there would be no Club. They never let us down at any of our functions and I am certain that at times they must really get fed up with that little line that is always appearing in our

Magazine - "Ladies, please bring a plate". We take this opportunity of extending Seasonal Greetings to an organisation that our Club will always be indebted to - The National Fitness Council - that does so much to assist us in our activities. To Mr. Halliday and his staff, particularly the girls for their cheerful co-operation in producing our Reel Talk, a very special Merry Christmas.

(Ed.)

FIELD DAY REPORT

The November Field Day was held at Garden Island on the night of the 16/17th.

The popularity of the Island was again in evidence when a record attendance of 28 members and 3 visitors turned up. The Boat transport was severely taxed and a second afternoon trip had to be made for six bodies who could not fit on the 3 o'clock trip.

At this stage of my report I would suggest that any members who can make the morning trip, do so, and help relieve the peak afternoon trip.

The weather was average, with a cloudy sky and a cold night and the wind remained a Sou-Wester and strong until about 2 a.m. on Sunday morning, causing very heavy and weedy fishing conditions with things rather in favour of the fish than those optomists, the Anglers.

The dawn was calm but fruitless, as the heavy cloud did not give a definite light change and the fish apparently weren't on the bite. Total weight of fish  $119\frac{1}{4}$  lbs included a 25 lb sh.

Eddie Flowers took the heaviest bag of scale fish with 10 Tailer and 1 Kingie, totalling 16 lbs. B. Davey caught the heaviest shark 25 lbs - not identified, but possibly a grey nurse or blue pointer, a vicious looking hard fighter. Alf Rutland took the heaviest scale fish a 4 lb Tailer. Hal Cook weighed a nice  $1\frac{1}{4}$  lbs Whiting, whilst Ken Wiggins had a disgusting bag of MIXED rubbish, all of edible variety, barely legal size. (Takes all sorts to make up a fishing party.)

Total cost per member 10/- . Club funds benefited by £1.0.0.

Spotted Irvine Price and Marcus Coleman both sharing the same spool on Irvine's Mitchell, they had fouled **and in some manner** Irvine was his own and Marcuse's line on to his spool - it even beat Mick Doscas'. Prize - Over-run for a Bird Nest.

ALF RUTLAND, Deputy Field Day Officer.

EDITOR'S NOTE

Unfortunately four members missed the official weighing in - but the committee has decided to accept their entries. These included a 40 lb Carpet Shark caught by Ted Savage, and the total poundage for the Field Day rises to  $167\frac{1}{4}$  lbs. As the prize for the heaviest shark had already been awarded, the Committee has decided to let all prizes stand to award an additional prize to Ted Savage for his capture.

The following is the itemised list of individual catches and Field Day winners:-

1st	T. Savage	- 40 lbs Carpet Shark, $3\frac{1}{4}$ lb Kingie	- 43 lbs
2nd	B. Davey	- 25 lbs Shark, Mixed 6 lbs	- 31 lbs
3rd	E. Flower	- 10 Tailer, 1 Kingie	- 16 lbs
4th	T. Hales	- 4 Tailer, 2 Herring	- 10 lbs
5th	A. Rutland	- 1 Tailer, 1 Kingie	- $7\frac{1}{2}$ lbs
6th	A. Ticklie	- 3 Tailer, 1 Kingie	- 7 lbs
7th	M. Coleman	- 2 Tailer.	- $4\frac{1}{2}$ lbs
8th	A. Backhouse	- 1 Tailer, 1 Kingie, 1 Herring	- 4 lbs
	(M. Doscas	- 2 Tailer, 1 Kingie )	- $3\frac{1}{2}$ lbs
	(H. Cook	- 1 Tailer, 1 Whiting )	- $3\frac{1}{2}$ lbs
9th	(I. Price	- 2 Tailer, 1 Whiting )	- $3\frac{1}{2}$ lbs
	(R. Burgess	- 1 Kingie, 1 Herring )	- $3\frac{1}{2}$ lbs
	(R. Tucker	- 2 Tailer, 1 Herring )	- $3\frac{1}{2}$ lbs
	(M. Bullen	- 2 Tailer )	- 3 lbs
10th	(K. Wiggins	- Mixed )	- 3 lbs
	( P.Savage	- 1 Kingie )	- 3 lbs

The following also weighed in fish:- A. Livesey  $2\frac{1}{2}$  lbs; T. Page  $2\frac{1}{2}$  lbs; A. Debnam 1 lb; Ken Matthews  $1\frac{1}{2}$  lbs; S. Dumitro 2 lbs; P. Neki 1 lb; B. McHutchison  $\frac{1}{2}$  lb; A. Devenich  $2\frac{1}{2}$  lbs.

The 167 lbs of fish brings the total for three outings this season to 636 lbs - quite a commendable effort.

NEXT FIELD DAY

The next Field Day falls due on the weekend of the 14/15th December. If we get enough starters it will be on again. Further details from Field Day Organiser, Ray Porter, at the next meeting.

PICTURE NIGHT

The picture night at the Ampol Theatre on Thursday, 21st November was an outstanding success and a capacity crowd saw a most interesting night's screening. The highlights being the last Ampol trial in colour; a very informative and instructive film on the work of Australian Lifesavers in action; and two interesting and topical films on fishing. The President tells me he was in a lather of sweat trying to help an angler land a big shark.

The Club sincerely thanks the Ampol Organisation for such an enjoyable evening.

RADIO SESSION

This session which is conducted over 6PR on Friday evenings is now being run entirely by Mick Doscas, and if anyone has any ideas I am sure Mick will appreciate them.

CHRISTMAS DANCE

Don't forget the date - WEDNESDAY, 18th. DECEMBER - at the R.S.L. Hall, on the corner of Albany Highway and Salford St., Vic. Park. Admission will be by ticket, at a reasonable cost of 10/- a double ticket. Ladies please bring a plate and Gents your own liquid refreshments.

CASTING DAY

We had our fourth outing of the Season at our usual venue, the Floreat Park Recreational Ground, on Sunday, 24th. November. The day was warm and sunny, although there was a stiff Sou-Wester blowing which caused quite a bit of inaccuracy in the first cast until the lads gauged its strength. 22 club members cast which is up to the usual attendance.

The 1st event was the Spinner Event, and the Casting was quite good, and it was pleasing to see friend Bill Bridger coming back into form with 3 casts of 122, 124 and 124 yds. Others to cast well were Doug Edward, John Bellman, Felix Hollywell, Tom Neil,

Noel Knight and Hal Cook and it was pleasing to see two of our newer members cracking the 100 yd barrier. Congrats to Bob Jensen and Bob Tucker. Now that all events are run with handicaps and worked on average there are bound to be some surprises while member are throwing off the maximum handicap of 70 yds.

The Casters finished in the following order:-

1.	Jim Strong	163 yds.	ave.	(Hcp 70 yds)
2.	Hal Cook	162 "	"	(Hcp 61 yds)
3.	Les Shand	161 "	"	(Hcp 70 yds)
4.	Doug Edward	160 "	"	(Hcp 47 yds)
5.	John Bellman	157 "	"	(Hcp 51 yds)
6.	Noel Knight	) 154 "	"	(Hcp 57 yds)
	Tom Neil			(Hcp 52 yds)
7.	Mick Doscas	) 153 "	"	(Hcp 70 yds)
	Bob Tucker			(Hcp 59 yds)
8.	Felix Hollywell	) 145 "	"	(Hcp 38 yds)
	Ian McLennon			(Hcp 70 yds)
9.	Bill Bridger	121 "	"	(Hcp Nil)
10.	Ray Porter	102 "	"	(Hcp 61 yds)
11.	Marcus Coleman	101 "	"	(Hcp 70 yds)
12.	Alan Werner	82 "	"	(Hcp Nil)
13.	Arch Ticklie	79 "	"	(Hcp 65 yds)
14.	Horrie Muirson	77 "	"	(Hcp Nil)
15.	Jim Graham	60 "	"	(Hcp Nil)
16.	Hal Neil	58 "	"	(Hcp 58 yds)
17.	John Graham	49 "	"	(Hcp Nil)

Marcus was a bit unlucky in this event as Marker, Bob Tucker picked up one of his spinners dead centre down the lane at about the 178 yds mark, but unfortunately his line was not attached to it.

The next event was our old favourite, the Bait, and it is evident that this is a popular one with the boys, as the accuracy improved and break offs were very rare and as this is the event which most assimilates actual fishing conditions it speaks well of the ability of most of our Club members on the beaches.

Best Casters in this event were John Bellman (particularly his one of 114 yds), Bill Bridger, Felix Hollywell and Doug Edward, but once again the handicaps evened the field and the boys finished in the following order:-

1.	Tom Neil	159	yds	ave.	(Hcp 70 yds)
2.	Bob Jensen	157	"	"	(Hcp 70 yds)
3.	Hal Cook )	154	"	"	(Hcp 66 yds)
	Bob Tucker )	154	"	"	(Hcp 70 yds)
4.	Jim Strong	153	"	"	(Hcp 70 yds)
5.	Noel Knight	151	"	"	(Hcp 55 yds)
6.	Doug Edward	149	"	"	(Hcp 47 yds)
7.	John Bellman	148	"	"	(Hcp 50 yds)
8.	Les Shand	147	"	"	(Hcp 70 yds)
9.	Marcus Coleman )	146	"	"	(Hcp 70 yds)
	Ian McLennan )	146	"	"	(Hcp 70 yds)
10.	Felix Hollywell	145	"	"	(Hcp 47 yds)
11.	Ray Porter	139	"	"	(Hcp 54 yds)
12.	Bill Bridger	99	"	"	(Hcp Nil )
13.	Hal Neil	83	"	"	(Hcp Nil )
14.	Henry Bester	66	"	"	(Hcp Nil )
15.	John Graham )	51	"	"	(Hcp Nil )
	Horrie Muirson )	51	"	"	(Hcp Nil )
16.	Alan Werner	46	"	"	(Hcp Nil )
17.	Arch Ticklie	44	"	"	(Hcp 70 yds)

John Bellman's first cast was a beauty, his sinker landed about 120 yds , but his bait stayed at home, naturally it didn't count.

Then we came to the third and last event, the Single Hander and as we were only throwing a light weight 1 oz. some of the distances were remarkable, particularly Ray Porter's 76 yds, Tom Neil's 74 yds, Jim Graham's and John Bellman's 70 yds. As we did not have handicaps for this event it was straight out average and resulted as follows:-

1.	Tom Neil	67	yds	ave.
2.	Ray Porter	64	"	"
3.	Felix Hollywell	62	"	"
4.	John Bellman	61	"	"
5.	Noel Knight	59	"	"
6.	Bob Tucker	50	"	"
7.	Hal Cook	48	"	"
8.	Ian McLennon	47	"	"
9.	Doug Edward	46	"	"
10.	Jim Graham	45	"	"
11.	Jim Strong )	44	"	"
	Les Shand )	44	"	"

- 12. John Graham 33 yds ave.
- 13. Hal Neil 31 " "

The place-getters over the three events were:-

- 1. Tom Neil 25 pts.
- 2. Hal Cook 21 "
- 3. Bob Tucker )
- Bob Jensen )
- Noel Knight ) 17 "
- John Bellman )
- Jim Strong )
- 4. Doug Edward )
- Mick Doscas ) 14 "
- 5. Felix Hollywell 12 "
- 6. Les Shand 11 "
- 7. Ray Porter 10 "
- 8. Ian McLennan 7 "
- 9. Bill Bridger )
- Marcus Coleman ) 2 "
- 10. Jim Graham 1 "

Tom Neil and Hal Cook are to be congratulated on their 1st and 2nd placings, but as you can see by the following table yours truly has been busy with the scissors pruning those hops and if I get any more near misses whilst marking I will do some more pruning on the grounds of dangerous conduct - I refer to two in particular Hal Cook and Felix Hollywell.

Casting Handicaps

	BAIT		SPINNER		BLOB		OPEN		SING. HAND	
	Main.	Max.	Main.	Max.	Main.	Max.	Main.	Max.	Main.	Max.
	150 <sup>x</sup>	70 <sup>x</sup>	150 <sup>x</sup>	70 <sup>x</sup>	100 <sup>x</sup>	50 <sup>x</sup>	150 <sup>x</sup>	70 <sup>x</sup>	75 <sup>x</sup>	30 <sup>x</sup>
B. Payne	41 yds		45 yds		38 yds		36 yds		-	
F. Hollywell	47		38		30		26		13	
D. Edward	47		37		27		46		29	
J. Bellman	50		44		30		30		14	
W. Bridger	51		29		33		28		-	
N. Knight	54		53		28		48		17	
R. Porter	54		61		41		44		11	
R. Tucker	58		56		41		55		25	
H. Cook	62		49		29		41		27	

	BAIT		SPINNER		BLOB		OPEN		STEIN. HAND	
	Main. 150x	Max. 70x	Main. 150x	Max. 70x	Main. 100x	Max. 50x	Main. 150x	Max. 70x	Main. 75x	Max. 30x
R. Jensen	63		56		-		70		-	
T. Neil	61		48		35		18		8	
L. Shand	70		59		48		70		30	
J. Strong	67		57		45		61		30	
K. Matthews	67		65		-		-		-	
B. Elliott	60		-		-		48		-	
H. Neil	67		62		39		64		29	
A. Ticklie	70		65		28		56		29	
M. Doscas	70		67		37		64		25	
M. Coleman	70		70		-		-		-	
A. Debnam	68		70		39		70		-	
R. Burgess	70		70		42		65		-	
I. McLeman	70		70		45		70		28	
R. Flood	70		70		-		70		-	
H. Muirson	70		70		46		60		-	
N. Smith					34		56			
A. Werner	70		68		45		64		-	
K. Hunt					39		56			
H. Bester	70		70						27	
John Graham	70		70		-		-		25	
Jim Graham	-		60		-		-		10	

NEXT OUTING

The next Casting Day falls on Sunday, 22nd. December. Should members decide that it is too close to Christmas it will be postponed until Sunday, January 19th 1958. The events to be cast are extremely interesting and will be the Blob Event and the Accuracy Course as demonstrated to us by Dan Daly.

MONTHLY COMPETITION

Winners in the various sections in the competition for the month of October were:-

Section I . Heaviest Shark or Ray  
 Alan Bunnett - 16 lbs. Ray.



Section 2. Heaviest Fish other than Section 1.

Alan Livesey - 33 lbs. 6 ozs. Mulloway.

Section 3. Weight of Fish over Line Ratio.

Alan Livesey - 33 lbs. 6 ozs. Mulloway on  $9\frac{3}{4}$  lbs. line

Section 4. Heaviest Fish on Spinner

Noel Knight -  $5\frac{3}{4}$  lbs. Tailer.

OTHER COMPETITIONS

Leaders in the various competitions at the present stage are:-

Fishing Competition:

- Section 1. Heaviest Shark or Ray - Felix Hollywell  
125 lb. Carpet Shark.
- Section 2. Heaviest Fish other than Shark or Ray - Alan Livesey  
33 lbs. 6 ozs. Mulloway.
- Section 3. Weight of Fish over Line Ratio - Felix Hollywell  
125 lb. Shark . 15 lb. line
- Section 4. Heaviest Fish on Spinner - Noel Knight  
 $5\frac{3}{4}$  lb. Tailer
- Section 5. Point per Pound of Fish entered - Felix Hollywell  
246 points.

Arthur Backhouse 82, Hal Cook 76, Bob Tucker 64, Alan Livesey 56.

Section 6. Mystery Weight ?

Ken Matthews Trophy. Largest Fish caught on a Field Day - Felix Hollywell  
125 lb. Shark.

President's Trophy - Most Points scored on Casting Days. Annual Award.

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| 1. Doug Edward ) | 34 | 2. Noel Knight | 31 |
| John Bellman )   |    | 3. Tom Neil    | 30 |

4.	Felix Hollywell	29	8.	Arch Ticklie	12
5.	Hal Cook	21	9.	Ray Porter	11
6.	Mick Doscas	17	10.	Jim Strong	10
7.	Bert Payne )				
	Bob Tucker )	14			

Mystery Trophy - Most points scored on Field and Casting Days  
Annual Award combined.

1.	John Bellman	43
2.	Felix Hollywell	39
3.	Doug Edward	34
4.	Noel Knight	31
5.	Tom Neil	30
6.	Bob Tucker	30
7.	Mick Doscas	28
8.	Arch Ticklie	28
9.	Hal Cook	23
10.	Ray Porter	19
11.	Arthur Backhouse	17

NEW COMPETITION

As the Bi-Annual Fishing Competition now in progress ends on the 30th. November 1957, the Committee has submitted a new competition for your approval.

Section 1. Heaviest Shark or Ray.

Section 2. Heaviest Fish other than Shark or Ray.

Section 3. Best effort weight of fish over line ratio.  
(Excludes Sharks and Rays).

Section 4. Heaviest Fish caught on a Spinner.

Section 5. Points per pound of fish entered.  
(Excludes Sharks and Rays)

Section 6. Single Hander.

Section 7. Points to be scored on a 3, 2, 1 basis for the first 3 places in each Section each month - Greatest number of points at end of competition wins.

The Rules of the Competition:

1. All fish must be caught on Rod and Reel in accordance with Club Rules.
2. No fish will win more than one Section, excepting those caught in Section 6., but points for all fish, excepting Shark or Ray, will be counted for Section 5.
3. In all Sections, excepting 5 and 7, monthly awards will be made.
4. All entries must be witnessed and submitted on official Club Entry Forms, excepting fish caught on official Field Days. (See Rule 7).
5. The competition will run from 1st December, 1957 until 31st May, 1958.
6. Monthly entries must be handed in by the following General Meeting night.
7. Fish caught on a Field Day which are entered in Sections 3, 4, and 6, must be entered on official Entry Form.
8. The Committee has the power of disqualifying any entry which, in their opinion, has not conformed to the Club Rules or there is doubt of its authenticity.

GUEST SPEAKER

Instruction period at the next meeting will be devoted to a talk by Mr. Bramley of the State Fisheries Department.

Emergency - Felix Hollywell and Hal Cook. Tailer Rigs and a discourse on "Egg Beaters".

COMMITTEE MEETING.

The next Committee Meeting will be held on MONDAY, DECEMBER 16th. at Mick Doscas' residence at 101 Shenton Road, Swanbourne.

The January Committee Meeting will be held on Wednesday, January 15th. at Nelson Smith's residence at 17 Kingston Street, Shenton Park.

NEW MEMBERS

If any member has reasons why the following should not be accepted as members of the Club, please contact the Secretary immediately.

Henry BESTER,  
3 St. James Flats,  
Museum Street,  
PERTH.

Ronald SHIRLEY,  
35 Petra Street,  
EAST FREMANTLE.

Donald George WOOD,  
87 Hillsborough Drive,  
NOLLAMARA.

Owen McCORRY,  
39 Peel Street,  
JOLIMONT.

CLUB RAFFLE

Keep those tickets going chaps. Butts can be returned to Les Shand at any time.

The following Club Records taken out of our Album are published for the interest of newer members - and a goal for all members to aim at.

Whiting, $2\frac{1}{2}$ lbs.	Vic Davis	Rottnest.
Grey Nurse Shark, 140 lbs.	Vic Davis	Mandurah.
Groper, 58 lbs.	Vic Davis	Rottnest.
Spanish Mackerel, 20 lbs.	Noel Knight	Triggs Island.
Snapper, 35 lbs. 5 ozs.	A. Werner (Aust. Record)	Waikiki.
Ray, 124 lbs.	Vic Davis	Rottnest.
Pike, 6 lbs. 2 ozs.	Vic Davis	Rottnest.
Tailer, 13 lbs. 8 ozs.	A. McDonnell	Triggs Island.
Trevally (Silver), 12 lbs.	Bill Cooper	Triggs Island.
Mulloway, 64 lbs.	Doug Edward	Mandurah.
Salmon, 8 lbs.	Arch Ticklie	Walpole Inlet.
Black Bream, 4 lbs. 2 ozs.	Noel Knight	Crawley Bay.
Blowie	Marcus Coleman	Many places.

I believe that the Pike catch has been bettered, but if Club Members will not submit entries then their catches cannot be recognised officially.

Get into it boys, these records were made to be broken and with holidays coming up now is the time to crack them.

F I L L E T T S

I know that the Blowfish position is bad - but when one of the Club members complains that he is dreaming about them (sitting in Crawley Baths stroking the Blowies' Backs as they swim past) - it's time we got rid of the Blowies or I suggest the simpler remedy would be for this frustrated angler to go on another sight-seeing tour.

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A Salmon marked by the U.S. Bureau of Fisheries in Alaskan waters, was caught 44 days later in a Siberian stream, was found to have travelled 1300 miles in that time.

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When paying your next Annual Subscription and you think it is a bit hard to find, think of the Fly Fishing Club in the British Isles that recently raised its Annual Subs from 60 to 70 guineas.

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Alan Livesey's catch of a 33 lbs. Mulloway on  $9\frac{3}{4}$  line is a stirling effort - but there is on record in N.S.W. a  $70\frac{1}{2}$  mulloway on an 11 lb. line, which took only 15 minutes to land.

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Les Shand (the Break-off King) actually went through the last Casting Day without any troubles - although he still maintains that "noisy" tied a knot on his line.

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CLUB MEMBERSHIP

The Club looks like passing the 100 mark in its membership this Season. At the moment we have just topped the ninety mark, this includes Jim Munro, of the Fisheries Dept. who has so often assisted the Club and whose talks have always been of interest, and he has now gone further and donated a trophy for our Fishing Competition. Many thanks Jim, our Club does appreciate you.

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