

REEL TALK

A close-up photograph of a fishing rod and reel. The rod is silver with black rings and a black handle. A hand in a white sleeve is holding the reel, which is silver and black. The background shows a blue ocean and a clear sky.

SURF CASTING & ANGLING CLUB OF WA

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Presidents report December 2019



Well almost Christmas again and 2020 just around the corner 2019 seems to have flown by, please try to attend our December General meeting on Wednesday 11th at 7.30pm we will have the usual pizza after the meeting so everyone can socialize and enjoy the end of 2019.

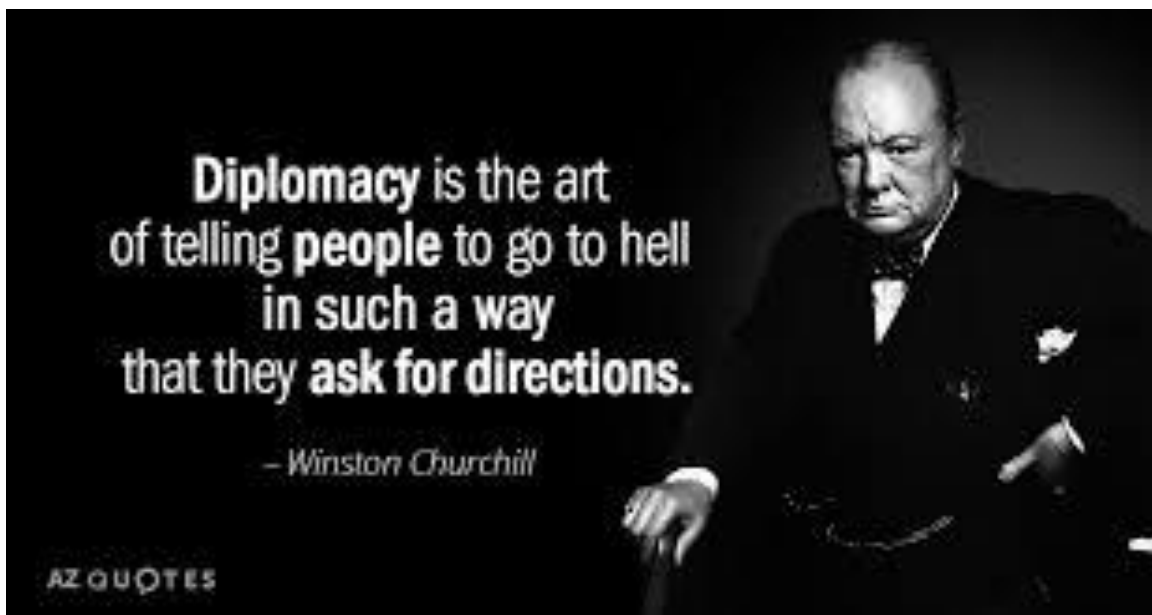
For those that intend to do any fishing next season please have a think about any locations you would like to try, I will send out a list of suggestions before the December meeting to get things started, So we can talk about it at the meeting and try to have it ready early next year.

Thanks to all who supported our Meetings, Fishing and Casting this year and all those that put in the effort to keep these events going and volunteering time, without these dedicated people our club could not survive.

I would like to wish everyone a safe, healthy, and enjoyable Christmas and New Year, if you are going fishing over the summer please keep in mind any fish eligible for our open competition, if you get any good fish just go to the website for a form and make sure you have some good photos and weights or measurements.

Martin Wearmouth; President

Quote for the Month



December 2019 General Meeting

Wednesday 11 December 2019

Coolbinia Sports Clubroom; Wordsworth Avenue, Yokine.

Agenda: Please notify the Secretary if you have any items for General business.

Field day venues for 2019/2020

Dates	Venue	Boundaries
7 - 8 December 2019	Ledge Point to Wedge Island and standard local Lines down 9.30am Saturday Lines up 9am Sunday	Ledge Point to Wedge Island and local as below at bottom of page
25 – 27 January 2020 Long weekend	Open Lines down 6am Saturday Lines up 9am Monday	Open anywhere in WA
15 – 16 February 2020	Busselton to White Hills and standard local Lines down 9.30am Saturday Lines up 9am Sunday	Busselton to White Hills and local as below at bottom of page
29 February – 2 March 2020 Long weekend	Reef Beach Bremer Bay and standard local Lines down 6am Saturday Lines up 9am Monday	Reef Beach and local as below at bottom of page
11 April – 13 April 2020 Long weekend	Bluff Creek and standard local Lines down 6am Saturday Lines up 9am Monday	Cheyne's and Bluff Creek area and local as below at bottom of page

Local boundaries are from Lancelin in the North to Point Peron in the South

Lines Down for long weekends and Rottnest – Saturday 6.00am

Lines up for long weekends and Rottnest – Monday 9.00am

Lines Down on Standard weekends – Saturday 9.30am

Lines up on Standard weekends – Sunday 9.00am

Sign-on / Weigh-in times, possible fish together spots and locations to be decided at the general meeting prior to the Field Day

DRYCASTING – 4TH NOVEMBER 2019

Difficult times are upon us, as we are finding it hard to find a place to cast. The polo grounds are out for the next 4 or 5 months on weekends. We managed to get a Monday in for this month but even then, there were workers digging up the center of the park for reticulation, when we were casting. We have a few maybe's coming up, but nothing definite.

We were a few down in numbers on Monday but considering some had to work and others were away touring the countryside trying to catch a fish or two, seven didn't seem all that bad.

Bob Hendo took out the honours in the DHA with 135 along with the SHA with 25. Bob also scored the only bullseye for the day. The longest 56gr for the day was 135.74m by myself. The best art bait and 112gr went to Chas with 137.04m and 159.60m.

DCO

Ron Thomas

DRY CASTING DATES

Monday 2 December 2019

Monday 6 January 2020

Monday 3 February 2020

Monday 9 March 2020

**Perth Polo Ground
Meadow Street
GUILDFORD**

SURF CASTING & ANGLING CLUB													
Dry casting results - 4th November 2019													
	56 gram					Artificial Bait					112gram		
	Cast	Cast	Total			Cast	Cast	Total			Cast	Cast	Total
Veterans	1	2		%		1	2		%		1	2	%
BOB HENDERSON	120.33	124.73	245.06	93.38		112.44	111.07	223.51	92.67		139.27	136.03	275.30
PETER OSBORNE	86.57	87.25	173.82	66.24		80.16	74.03	154.19	63.85		OUT	84.33	84.33
RON THOMAS	126.68	135.74	262.42	100.00		121.54	119.95	241.49	100.00		149.33	142.42	291.75
KLAUS SCHONWOLF	107.75	114.41	222.16	84.66		88.61	88.17	176.78	73.20		95.15	B/O	95.15
ALAN JONES	92.82	106.82	199.64	76.08		81.51	84.02	165.53	68.55		99.23	101.25	200.48
Seniors													
MARK HANSEN	90.94	91.48	182.42	100.00		94.26	106.26	200.52	100.00		104.57	119.05	223.62

SURF CASTING & ANGLING CLUB																					
Dry casting results - 4th November 2019																					
	Double Handed Accuracy										Single Handed Accuracy							Total	Attendance	Total	
	Target number										Target distance								D/Casting	Points	
Veterans	3	3	1	1	4	4	2	2	Total	%		1st	2nd	1st	2nd	Total	%		%		
BOB HENDERSON	19	21	9	17	17	6	21	25	135	100.00		4	8	5	8	25	100.00		480.41	10	490.41
PETER OSBORNE	0	0	22	7	1	0	13	0	43	31.85		7	4	0	8	19	76.00		266.84	10	276.84
RON THOMAS	17	19	21	22	6	20	19	7	131	97.03		6	2	0	6	14	56.00		453.03	10	463.03
KLAUS SCHONWOLF	0	10	15	16	10	18	12	0	81	61.00		0	6	1	8	15	60.00		311.47	10	321.47
ALAN JONES	10	3	23	20	19	20	17	15	127	94.07		2	0	2	2	6	24.00		331.42	10	341.42
Seniors																					
MARK HANSEN	18	15	17	17	6	16	18	16	123	100.00		6	4	0	6	16	100.00		500.00	10	510.00

VETERANS BEST CASTS FOR THE YEAR 2019 - 2020													
LONGEST 56 GRAM												145.29	RON THOMAS
LONGEST ARTIFICIAL BAIT												130.58	RON THOMAS
LONGEST 112G												156.99	RON THOMAS
HIGHEST DOUBLE HANDED ACCURACY												154	GARY GILDERSLEEVE
HIGHEST SINGLE HANDED ACCURACY												36	RON THOMAS
SENIORS BEST CASTS FOR THE YEAR 2019 - 2020													
LONGEST 56 GRAM												107.91	MARK HANSEN
LONGEST ARTIFICIAL BAIT												106.26	MARK HANSEN
LONGEST 112G												127.62	MARK HANSEN
HIGHEST DOUBLE HANDED ACCURACY												133	MARK HANSEN
HIGHEST SINGLE HANDED ACCURACY												27	MARK HANSEN

Birthdays for December

Justin Rose 14th; Christian Wearmouth 14th; Sandra Wessels 20th;

Darcy Tomlinson 21st; Ron Thomas 27th; Derek Smith 30th.

Life Member's Birthdays



Mal Head 1st December



George Holman 12th December

Wishing you all the best on your important day.

-MEMBERSHIP NEXT OF KIN REMINDER -

Following a recent incident where information on Next-of-Kin was required, and we as a club were unable to locate up to date information.

As a result, the Committee has added a Next of Kin section to the Application for Membership Form.

Can you please complete the new form and return it to the Secretary as soon as possible so that we can bring our records up to date?

Thank you for your assistance in this matter, and the Committee apologises for any inconvenience caused.

Surf Casters 2020-2021 fishing season calendar

Can members that intend fishing in our next season please put some thought into any fishing locations or dates that you would like in our next fishing season being May 2020 to April 2021,

We would like to start the discussion at this week's November meeting for it to be finalized by January.

Some things to think about are;

What locations should we go to

Any dates that may produce better fishing at a location

Do we try Rottnest in a different month?

Is anyone interested in doing a weeklong safari

Do you have a new location that fishes well that we can try on a field day?

Any changes to our current rules

Please email your suggestions so we can talk about it at the next meeting.

A listing of W A Public Holidays 2020 is included to assist in planning.

Martin Wearmouth

PUBLIC HOLIDAYS IN WESTERN AUSTRALIA

WA Public Holiday for 2020 -21

Holiday	2020	2021
New Year's Day	Wednesday 1 January	Friday 1 January
Australia Day	Monday 27 January	Tuesday 26 January
Labour Day	Monday 2 March	Monday 1 March
Good Friday	Friday 10 April	Friday 2 April
Easter Monday	Monday 13 April	Monday 5 April
ANZAC Day	Saturday 25 April & Monday 27 April	Sunday 25 April & Monday 26 April
Western Australia Day	Monday 1 June	Monday 7 June
Queen's Birthday	Monday 28 September	Monday 27 September
Christmas Day	Friday 25 December	Saturday 25 December & Monday 27 December
Boxing Day	Saturday 26 December & Monday 28 December	Sunday 26 December & Tuesday 28 December

2020 TERM DATES

Term 1 Mon 3
February - Thu 9
April
Break Fri 10 April
– Mon 27 April

Term 2 Tue 28
April - Fri 3 July
Break Sat 4 July -
Sun 19 July

Term 3 Mon 20
July - Fri 25
September
Break Sat 26
September - Sun 11
October

Term 4 Mon 12
October - Thu 17
December



Surf Casters November 8th and 9th 2019 Wagoie field day report

Most traveling to Wagoie met at 7am on Friday morning at Wilbinga grove to make the trip north, Peter O, Vince, Stuart, Gary and Martin, The trip up was great not being a long weekend traffic was very light and after a stop at Jurien Bay bakery for a coffee and snack then the 440 roadhouse for lunch and fuel we arrived at Wagoie about 1pm, Shane left later and arrived late afternoon.

Ron had arrived earlier and set up his tent only to have the strong easterly wind push his tent over and break the inside frame, after unpacking at our chalet and a drink we headed down to the beach to check the conditions, with light winds we had a fish late afternoon and most got a couple of fish, Gary caught a nice Flathead which came home for dinner, Vince caught a small shark, we headed back to the chalet for dinner and made a plan for the early morning start.

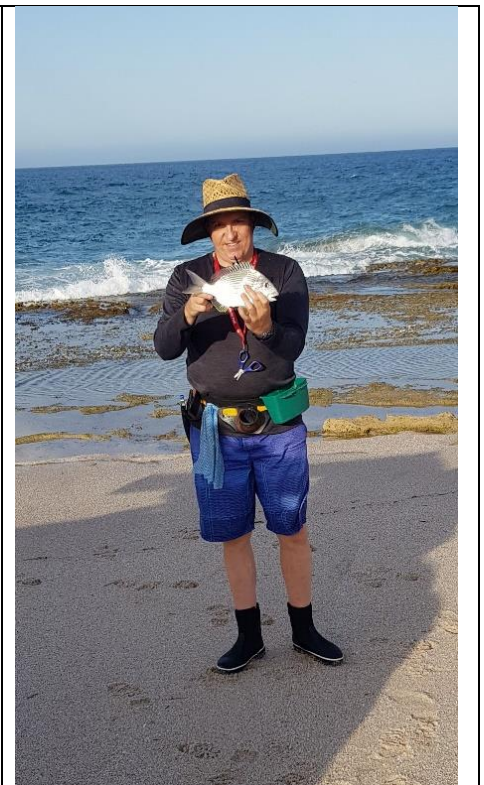
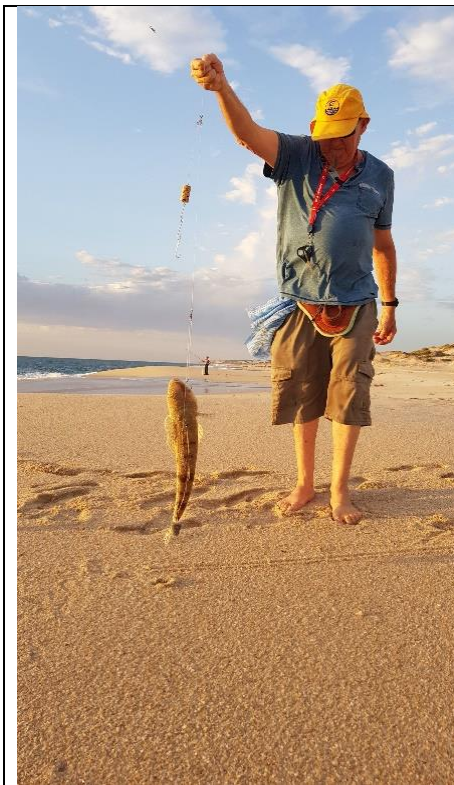


After breakfast we headed down to the beach about 5.30am, The wind and swell were down so Gary and I started on the reef as not much water was coming over the edge of the reef, straight away we got good bites, Gary got a Dart, Tarwhine and tailor in the 1st hour and I got a Tarwhine, at 7.30am with the action and bites having stopped we headed further south to a beach spot to see if the fishing was better, the rest of the members where at these spots so we set up and fished till lunch, the northerly winds seemed to shut the fishing down and only a few fish got landed mainly Dart and Tarwhine.

After lunch and a rest we headed back to the beach for the afternoon session, the wind was stronger and still northerly we all set up at the beach spots, fishing was slow and only the same species came in being Dart, Tarwhine, Tailor. But the tailor where small and only a couple got caught between 6 of us, with not much happening we packed up after dark and went back to the chalet for dinner, the weather on the Sunday was forecast to be better.

We woke early again on Sunday and hit the beach by 5.30am only to find that a bigger swell and northerly winds had in fact made the conditions worse, it was very hard to get a sinker to hold bottom as a large swell was coming in every few minutes and moving everything onto the beach, Gary and I tried 3 spots with one having thick weed before finding a spot that was better but still hard to get a sinker to hold for too long, not much was caught and we packed up and went back about 9am.

Vince had tried walking onto the reef next to the beach and slipped over causing a hairline fracture in his shoulder, he is now out of action for 6 weeks.



In the afternoon Peter O, Stuart, Gary and Martin headed south to Lucky Bay to try there, We drove onto the beach near the shacks but the water was shallow and ended up fishing behind the reef on the south side of Lucky Bay, even in this sheltered water a lot of weed was in the water, it had a deep channel running to a break in the reef so we fished for 90 minutes without success, Gary did catch some small trumpeter and a small whiting and the small fish where taking the baits quickly.



We moved further south to Port Gregory and drove south around the bay to nobbys hole, again a lot of weed in the calm water behind the reef and nobbys hole was full of weed, we carried on for another 1km and fished a nice section of beach that had no sea weed, but it also had no fish, Peter caught a Dart and I caught a small undersize flathead, we packed up on dark and headed back to the chalet.



Shane got the biggest fish being a 1.5kg Dart and he also got 4 species, Gary got 4 species also, the trip home was again very light on traffic making a much easier drive home, well not too many fish but again a great group of members enjoyed good company and some enjoyable weather for the 4 days of this extended field day.

Mal Head fished in Kalbarri as he was staying there for 2 weeks but had no luck and had no fish to weigh in.

Mark Hansen and Bob Henderson fished local at the South mole on Saturday morning for three hours till 11.00am, the hot wind was gusting from the east, The only bites was from blowies close to the rocks, so nothing to weigh in, Mark had a look at Port and Leighton beaches but they were over crowded by people escaping 40° heat, so didn't fish after that.



ANGLER		Species	Species	Species	Species	Species	Total weight	No. of Species	No. of fish	F.D. points	Attendance		Total points
		Tailor	Dart (all species)	Tarwhine	Wrasse (all species) 1 only	Skipjack Trevally					Field Day	General Meeting	
Shane Wignell	Number		6	5	1	1	6.98	4	13	122.8	1	1	142.8
	Total weight		3.65	2.45	0.30	0.58							
	Weight of best		1.50										
Gary Parkinson	Number	1	2	3		1	3.47	4	7	81.7	1	1	101.7
	Total weight	0.56	0.86	1.47		0.58							
	Weight of best												
Martin Wearmouth	Number	1		3	1		2.43	3	5	59.3	1	1	79.3
	Total weight	0.66		1.47	0.30								
	Weight of best												
Peter Osborne	Number		8				2.38	1	8	41.8	1		51.8
	Total weight		2.38										
	Weight of best												
Vincent Tomazin	Number	1					0.57	1	1	16.7	1		26.7
	Total weight	0.57											
	Weight of best												
Ron Thomas	Number										1	1	20.0
	Total weight												
	Weight of best												
Stuart Waterman	Number										1	1	20.0
	Total weight												
	Weight of best												
LOCAL													
Mark Hansen	Number										1	1	20.0
	Total weight												
	Weight of best												
Bob Henderson	Number										1		10.0
	Total weight												
	Weight of best												
Malcolm Head	Number										1		10.0
	Total weight												
	Weight of best												

Top scores up to November		
Rank	Angler	Total points
1	Martin Wearmouth	869.2
2	Peet Wessels	615.1
3	Sandra Wessels	494.5
4	Mark Hansen	449.3
5	Peter Osborne	403.2
6	Gary Parkinson	320.8
7	Shane Wignell	297.3
8	Sabby Pizzolante	251.0
9	Vincent Tomazin	230.4
10	Mark Nurse	190.5
11	Theo Van Niekerk	142.5
12	Sri Srigandan	139.7
13	Victor Schilo	123.2
14	Stuart Waterman	115.4
15	Paul Terpkos	114.8
16	Brad Zaknich	63.6
17	Ron Thomas	60.0
18	Slavka Schilo	50.0
19	Chris Stickells	49.8
20	Wally Lukic	47.6
21	Ian Taggart	20.0
22	Pat McKeown	20.0
23	Bob Henderson	10.0
24	Justin Rose	10.0
25	Malcolm Head	10.0
26	Anthony Terpkos	10.0

Sportsperson of the year sections for November			
Section	Angler	Species	Weight
Best scale fish	Shane Wignell	Dart (all species)	1.50
Best bag of scale fish	Shane Wignell		6.98
Best shark			
Best bag including sharks			

Walyunga boy's trip

On the 15/11/19 my mate Nathan picked me up after work for our long a-awaited boy's weekend away camping. We headed up to Walyunga national park, about a 20 min drive from my work so not too far for a quick break.

We got our tent up quick smart and got the rest of the gear out ahead of Elliot's arrival that evening. He was in a camper trailer, so it was a quick and easy setup for him (cheating). Dinner was my home-made mushrooms, beef and capsicum kebabs that were meant to be served with rice, but the rice wasn't needed.

It was about this point the beers started flowing. Nathan went to bed fairly early and Elliot and I stayed up chatting. About 2 am we headed for bed. When I unzipped the tent there was Nathan with a shoe over his head trying to kill the ticks that had gotten into the tent. Man, they do not want to die! It was like one of those horror movies with the knife wielding maniac.

After some tick killing, we got a couple of hours sleep before rising about 5am rolling over and getting up at 7am for eggs on toast and coffee (or tea in my case). We sat waiting around for Dan and Justin to come up - these two only made a day trip. When they had both finally arrived, about 11 am, we went for a walk but quickly discovered it was too hot and headed back to the shade of the site and lunch.

At lunch a disagreement between Justin (who is a vegetarian) and the rest of the boys about veganism being good for the planet broke out, killing the mood. After a lunch of ham and salad rolls, we drank some ice-cold beer and explored around in the shade.

Justin went home late arvo, but Dan stayed into the evening. We had minute steak burgers and tried to dodge the ticks again they seemed bad in the heat and at night. Dan left for home after dinner and Elliot, Nathan and I sat up eating snacks and drinking beer and tea. We hit bed around 1am got up the next morning for our eggs and ham on toast then packed down the camp. We had a good boy's weekend out in the bush despite the 40°C heat and the fire ban. Planning another trip soon with our ladies along this time.

Chris Stickells



Why Australia's fishy history is reely important to us all

ABC Radio Hobart

By [Carol Rääbus](#)

Posted 18 Feb 2018, 5:00amSun 18 Feb 2018, 5:00am



PHOTO: [Fishing](#)

[for fun has been a popular pastime in Australia centuries.](#) (Supplied: City of Launceston Council)

Australia's wealth may have ridden on a sheep's back in the early 20th century, but for many their very survival has weighed on the scales of fish.

People have been wetting a line across this vast land as long as it has been inhabited.

Anna Clark from the Australian Centre for Public History at University of Technology, Sydney, has written a comprehensive history of fishing in Australia.

It explores everything from Indigenous traditions and techniques through to the current commercial industry and concerns about overfishing.

"The early settlement nearly did starve one year partly because the fish supply dried up," Dr Clark told [Philip Clark on Nightlife](#).

Fishing has often been remembered and seen as a male pursuit in English-speaking cultures.

But in Australia, early line fishing was mostly done by Indigenous women.

"They made their own handlines and nets and they paddled out in incredible canoes ... and caught fish," Dr Clark said.

[Bark canoes were mostly used](#) for fishing off the coast.

Dr Clark said the women would build fires on the canoe to cook what they caught; they balanced babies and young children in the canoe while they paddled and fished.

"These women were incredible skippers," Dr Clark said.

Fishing line was made from tree bark, chewed or mashed up before being finely rolled into long lines.

Hooks were made from abalone or oyster shells.



PHOTO: Bark canoes were used for fishing by many Indigenous groups. (Alfred William Howitt: Public Domain)

Nets were also used, with reports of a 90-metre-long net seen by early European explorers in western New South Wales.

"If you think of these nets being hand spun ... that's a massive piece of infrastructure," Dr Clark said.

There is also evidence of stone traps used in rivers in Victoria, and fish being transported from one river to another in an early form of aquaculture.

From fishing for survival to fishing for fun

Catching fish for Indigenous Australians and the first European settlers was a matter of survival more than recreation.

But it was not long before the settlers started to fish for fun.



Fishing has been a big part of life in Australia for as long as people have lived here.

In 1864, European brown trout were brought to Tasmania by James Youl and introduced into the local rivers.

"In the 19th century people of a certain class ... they weren't that interested in standing on a rock on the [River] Derwent and catching a brim or a flatty," Dr Clark said.

"They wanted the high pursuits of the gentlemanly arts of fishing and catching trout.

"[It] absolutely devastated native species."

Fly fishing for trout continues to be a popular pastime in Tasmania, and attracts keen anglers from around the world.

"[Fishing is] a really an important pastime and it has been that way for a long time," Dr Clark said.



PHOTO: Fishing as a family holiday really boomed in Australia after World War II. (The Powerhouse Museum: Public domain)

The growth of commercial fishing

Fishing remained a very localised industry throughout the 1800s, because fresh fish turned bad too quickly if they were not cured or dried.

"Sometimes fish would be transported from Port Stevens down to Sydney and the whole load would be off before it got here," Dr Clark said.

"Local communities would have bartered and sold fish locally.

["It wasn't until boats had proper engines and proper refrigeration that the industry was able to expand commercially."](#)

Dr Clark said in the early days, the difficulties in transporting fresh fish lead to the rise of small coastal towns, which profited from fishing for the local area.

These towns also benefited from a boom in fishing tourism which really began to take off in Australia at the same time as car ownership.

"You cannot go through a coastal town in Australia without driving past a sign that says 'bait'," Dr Clark said.

An influx of migrants from post-war Europe also changed Australians seafood habits; suddenly things such as calamari and [pipis went from bait to plate](#).

"People used to rubbish tuna for running through the nets and chomping up the nets," Dr Clark said of pre-World War Two Australia.

"Now tuna is a prized, boutique, often protected fish."

Sustainability an issue from early on

The [sustainability of fishing](#) has been of concern in Australia for longer than many might imagine.

"Around Sydney at the turn of the 20th century there were real concerns ... about how sustainable fishing was in Sydney Harbour, with the pressures of a growing population," Dr Clark said.

"I think in places like Australia, a lot of effort has been made into making commercial fishing sustainable ... but there are global questions to be answered."

Dr Clark said the days of huge game fish being caught with relative ease in Australia appear to be long gone.

"They're catching smaller fish because those big trophy fish aren't there as often," she said.

"But they're catching fewer fish partly because a real change in attitudes has occurred in Australia in the last 30 to 40 years.

["In recreational fishing there's been a big push not to just catch a free for all; you catch what you want for tea and the rest is thrown back."](#)

Surf Casting and Angling Club of W A

Club Angling Records

Version dated December 2019

(CAAB Code is the CSIRO Code of Australian Aquatic Biota) #

Common Name	Scientific Name	Weight	Record Holder	Locality Caught	Date	CAAB Code
Barracouta	Thyrsites atun	1.98kg	Merv Britten	Cosy Corner	20/7/1960	37 439001
Barracuda	Sphyaena barracuda	9.5kg	C Waddams	Steep Point	26/8/1980	37 382008
Barramundi	Lates calcarifer	6.2kg	Ray Walker	Home Valley Stn	3/5/2016	37 310006
Blackfish, Western Rock	Girella tephraeops	0.60kg	Sandra Wessels	Bluff Creek	1/4/2018	37 361017
Blue Bastard	Plectorhinchus caeruleonothus	5.3kg	Theo Van Niekerk	Waroora Station	8/7/2017	37 350028
Blue Devil, Western	Paraplesiops sinclairi	0.36kg	Sandra Wessels	Rottnest Island	17/8/2014	37 316011
Bonefish, Pacific	Albula argentea	2.8kg	George Holman	Steep Point	1/4/2007	37 055001
Bream, Black	Acanthopagrus butcheri	2.27kg	Ken Hunt	Swan River Belmont	27/9/1962	37 353003
Bream, Western Yellowfin	Acanthopagrus morrisoni	2.5kg	Alby Norman	Useless Loop	18/7/1980	37 353012
Buffalo Bream, Western	Kyphosus cornelii	6.7kg	Alby Norman	Useless Loop	14/6/1977	37 361012
Catfish, Blue	Neoarius graeffei	3.2kg	Brian Waddams	Steep Point	0/6/1980	37 188005
Catfish, White-Lipped	Paraplotosus albilabris	0.6kg	Ian Mascarenhas	Scarborough	17/8/1996	37 192005
Cobia	Rachycentron canadum	33kg	Allan Carr	Steep Point	2/10/1979	37 335001
Cod, Greasy	Epinephelus tauvina	29.48kg	Les Tate	Kalbarri	30/4/1967	37 311057
Dart, Common	Trachinotus botla	3.29kg	E J (Lofty) Griffiths	Cape Cuvier	1/6/1975	37 337066
Drummer, Silver	Kyphosus sydneyanus	7.62kg	Bob Henderson	Dongara	26/9/2010	37 361001
Emperor, Grass	Lethrinus laticaudis	4.54kg	Ted Savage	Wagoe	9/4/1970	37 351006
Emperor, Red	Lutjanus sebae	1.5kg	R Flynn	Steep Point	-/-/1980	37 346004
Emperor, Spangled	Lethrinus nebulosus	4.08kg	Brian Hanks	Exmouth	12/6/1972	37 351008
Flathead, Bar Tailed	Platycephalus australis	0.93kg	Justin Rose	Swan River	19/11/2015	37 296033
Flathead, Dusky ***	Platycephalus fuscus	2.92kg	Dave Latto	Moore River	17/12/1966	See note
Flathead, Southern Blue-Spotted	Platycephalus speculator	1.56kg	Ian Cook	Wagoe	23/9/2010	37 296037
Flounder	Species not specified	0.65kg	Morris Kolman	Hill River	13/4/1996	= = =
Garfish, Southern	Hyporhamphus melanochir	0.19kg	Mark Hansen	Cervantes	14/11/2010	37 234001
Goatfish, Blacksaddle	Parupeneus spilurus	1.09kg	Shane Wignell	Rottnest Island	15/8/2015	37 355015
Grinner, Painted	Trachinocephalus trachinus	0.5kg	Phil Brayne	False Entrance	1/7/1997	37 118002
Groper, Baldchin	Choerodon rubescens	4.3kg	Mal Thompson	Steep Point	-/-/19890	37 384039
Groper, Western Blue	Achoerodus gouldii	26.31kg	Vic Davis	Rottnest Island	6/1/1955	37 384002
Harlequin Fish	Othos dentex	1.81kg	Ken Hunt	Rottnest Island	11/9/1967	37 311005
Herring, Australian	Arripis georgianus	0.65kg	Norrie Cross	Yallingup	11/9/1967	37 344001
Dhufish, West Australian	Glacosoma herbraicum	19.96kg	Vic Davis	Rottnest Island	14/5/1961	37 320004
Kingfish, Yellowtail	Seriola lalandi	24.49kg	Les Ellis	Yanchep	17/5/1959	37 337006
Leatherjacket, Horseshoe	Meuschenia hippocrepis	1.0kg	Brian Waddams	Rottnest Island	16/8/1980	37 465004
Longtom, Slender	Strongylura leiura	4.1kg	Graham Reeley	Cape Cuvier	22/6/1977	37 235003
Mackerel, Spanish	Scomberomorus commerson	31.92kg	Don Bibby	Exmouth	15/9/1973	37 441007
Mackerel, Shark	Grammatorcynus bicarinatus	10kg	C Friend	Steep Point	4/10/1979	37 441025
Mackerel, Spotted	Scomberomorus munroi	4.54kg	Jim Strong	Jurien Bay	9/3/1974	37 441015
Mangrove Jack	Lutjanus argentimaculatus	1.81kg	Doug Savage	Kalbarri	9/4/1967	37 346015
Common Name	Scientific Name	Weight	Record Holder	Locality Caught	Date	CAAB Code
Morwong	Cheilodactylidae - undifferentiated	1.13kg	Vic Davis	Rottnest Island	7/3/1960	37 377000
Moses Snapper	Lutjanus russelli	0.7kg	Ron Thomas	Quobba	24/6/2014	37 346065
Mullet, Sea	Mugil cephalus	1.13kg	Bert Payne	Trigg Island	24/5/1955	37 381002
Yellow Eye Mullet	Aldrichetta forsteri	0.36kg	Sandra Wessels	Bremer Bay	3/3/2018	37 381001
Mulloway	Argyrosomus japonicus	30.39kg	Allan Livesy	Kalbarri	26/3/1968	37 354001
Parrotfish, Blue-Barred	Scarus ghobban	4kg	Dave Maxted	Steep Point	17/8/1996	37 386907
Pennantfish	Alectis ciliaris	1.07kg	Pet Wessels	Wagoe	3/6/2012	37 337018
Pomfret, Woodward's	Schuettea woodwardi	0.105kg	Mark Hansen	Rottnest Island	15/7/2018	37 356003
Giant Queenfish	Scomberoides commersonianus	7.94kg	Tony Howson	Coral Bay	13/9/1973	37 337032
Rankin Cod	Epinephelus multinotatus	3.1kg	Ron Thomas	Quobba	17/7/2014	37 311010
Ray, Eagle	Myliobatis hamlyni	56.25kg	Vic Davis	Rottnest Island	15/2/1955	37 039004
Ray, White pointer ***	Species not listed	27.22kg	Kevin Hawker	Quinns Beach	23/11/1959	= = =

Ray Southern Shovelnose	Aptychotrema vincentiana	50.8kg	George Holman	Preston Beach	13/1/1971	37 027001
Sailfish	Istiophorus platypterus	30.2kg	Graham Reeley	Steep Point	28/4/1985	37 444005
Salmon, Western Australian	Arripis truttaceus	7.17kg	Peet Wessels	Bluff Creek	5/3/2016	37 344004
Samsonfish	Seriola hippos	23.13kg	Rudy Lerch	Kalbarri	4/3/1973	37 337007
Sand Bass	Psammoperca waigiensis	0.38 kg	Mark Hansen	Rottnest Island	17/8/2014	37 310001
Sea Perch, Black Banded	Hypoplectrodes annulatus	0.13kg est	Mark Hansen	Reef Beach	4/3/2017	37 311091
Seaperch, Banded	Hypoplectrodes nigroruber	2.1 kg	Justin Rose	Steep Point	16/11/2016	37 311037
Sea Perch, Spotty	Hypoplectrodes wilsoni	2.2 kg	Ian Cook	Dirk Hartog Island	15/7/1999	37 311099
Shark, Blacktip	Carcharhinus limbatus	27.1 kg	George Holman	Steep Point	14/8/1996	37 018039
Shark, Bronze whaler	Carcharhinus brachyurus	76.66 kg	Ron Shirley	Kalbarri	26/2/1973	37 018001
Shark, Grey nurse	Carcharias taurus	106.14 kg	E J Griffiths	Kalbarri	26/2/1973	37 008001
Shark, Gummy	Mustelus antarcticus	10.43 kg	Allan Bunnett	Jurien Bay	9/10/1965	37 017001
Shark, Hammerhead	Sphyrna spp	23.25 kg	Tom Vivian	Kalbarri	2/3/1969	37 019902
Shark, Lemon	Negaprion acutidens	48 kg	Darren Batchelor	Dirk Hartog Island	25/5/1999	37 018029
Shark, Tiger	Galeocerdo cuvieri	38.1 kg	John Devitt	Kalbarri	13/4/1970	37 018022
Sharksucker	Echeneis naucrates	0.35 kg	Peter Osborne	Kalbarri	29/10/2011	37 336001
Snapper, Pink	Chrysophrys auratus	16.02 kg	A J Werner	Waikiki	19/11/1953	37 353001
Blue Morwong (Queen Snapper)	Nemadactylus valenciennesi	2.27 kg	J Graham	Cosy Corner	27/6/1955	37 377004
Snook	Sphyraena novaehollandiae	3.37 kg	Noel Knight	Augusta	30/5/1970	37 382002
Sombre Sweetlips	Plectorhinchus unicolor	0.55 kg	Mark Hansen	Cervantes	1/2/2013	37 350013
Surge Wrasse	Thalassoma purpurum	1.31 kg	Peet Wessels	Rottnest Island	13/8/2013	37 384169
Goldspotted Sweetlips,	Plectorhinchus flavomaculatus	1.5 kg	Bob Klein	Quobba	1/6/1979	37 350007
Tailor	Pomatomus saltatrix	6.30 kg	Peet Wessels	Bremer Bay	17/9/2014	37 334002
Tarwhine	Rhabdosargus sarba	1.36 kg	Bob Tucker	Garden Island	16/7/1961	37 353013
King Threadfin	Polydactylus macrochir	Est 8 Kg	Ray Walker	Eighty Mile Beach	3/6/2015	37 383005
Striped Threadfin	Polydactylus plebeius	1.1 kg	Rom Niciejewski	Serrurier Island	10/7/1997	37 383009
Toadfish, Silver (NW Blowie)	Lagocephalus scleratus	6.8 kg	Bert Payne	Monkey Mia	17/11/1965	37 467007
Trevally, Bludger	Carangoides gymnostethus	7.26 kg	Alby Norman	Wagoe	22/4/1973	37 337022
Trevally, Giant	Caranx ignobilis	27.5 kg	Bob Klein	Cape Cuvier	3/5/1975	37 337027
Trevally, Golden	Gnathanodon speciosus	15 kg	A Tuvik	Steep Point	12/12/1980	37 337012
Turum	Carangoides fulvoguttatus	9.08 kg	Dennis Green	Cape Cuvier	2/6/1974	37 337037
Trevally, Silver (Skippy)	Pseudocaranx wrighti	5.44 kg	W Cooper	Trigg Island	16/9/1955	37 337063
Common Name	Scientific Name	Weight	Record Holder	Locality Caught	Date	CAAB Code
Trevally, Thick Lip	Carangoides orthogrammus	0.38 kg	Mark Hansen	Rottnest Island	15/5/2011	37 337057
Tripletail Maori Wrasse	Cheilinus trilobatus	1.1 kg	Ron Thomas	Quobba	31/5/2014	37 384044
Trout, Coronation, Yellowedge	Variola louti	4 kg	L Clifton	Steep Point	20/4/1984	37 311166
Trout, Brown	Salmo trutta	1.26 kg	J Bennett	Drakesbrook	3/11/1999	37 094004
Trout, Rainbow	Oncorhynchus mykiss	0.562 kg	Darcy Tomlinson	Warren River	6/1/2018	37 094003
Tuna, Mackerel	Euthynnus affinis	8.93 kg	T O'Hara	Cape Cuvier	3/6/1973	37 441010
Tuna, Long Tail	Thunnus tonggol	22.28 kg	Glen Wong	Preston Beach	10/4/2016	37 441013
Tuna, Yellowfin	Thunnus albacares	16 kg	Tony Richardson	Steep Point	21/5/1981	37 441002
Tuskfish, Blackspot	Choerodon schoenleinii	2.4 kg	Peet Wessels	Shelter Bay	9/7/2012	37 384010
Tuskfish, Blue	Choerodon cyanodus	4.25 kg	D Stigelmayer	Steep Point	26/3/1985	37 384072
Pigfish, Western	Bodianus vulpinus	0.80 kg	Sandra Wessels	Rottnest Island	15/5/2011	37 384001
Whiting, King George	Sillaginodes punctata	1.53 kg	John Lee	Garden Island	12/5/1973	37 330001
Whiting, Sand	Sillago ciliata	0.57 kg	George Holman	Wedge Island	28/12/1972	37 330010
Wirrah	Not Defined - Acanthistius spp	1.81 kg	Tom Smith	Kalbarri	1/9/1965	37 311912
Wirrah, Leopard	Acanthistius pardalotus	1.44 kg	Peet Wessels	Rottnest Island	15/5/2011	37 311132
Wrasse, Brown Spotted	Notolabrus parilus	0.92kg	Mark Hansen	Reef Beach	4/3/2017	37 384022
Wrasse, Seven Banded	Thalassoma septemfasciatum	0.68 kg	Peter Osborne	Wagoe	29/7/2011	37 384171
Wrasse, Western King	Coris auricularis	0.36 kg	Peter Osborne	Rottnest Island	15/5/2011	37 38400
Zebra fish	Girella zebra	0.39kg	Mark Nurse	Rottnest Island	21/5/2016	37 361008

Notes Weights originally in pounds and ounces have been converted to kilograms and rounded to 2 decimal places (the nearest 10 grams).

Common Names have been corrected to comply with Australian Standard AS 5300-2015 Australian Standard Fish Names (FRDC)

Some common names are no longer in use.

Some species are no longer eligible as they have been declared a protected species.

*** Mis-identified as it is not found in W A waters. Possibly either a Flathead, Longhead, (Leviprora inops) or a Flathead, Southern Blue Spotted, (Platycephalus speculator)

*** [Species Common Names](#) listed in blue are not definitely identified as they do not give full details, e.g. there are several species of hammerhead sharks and the one listed is not specific. Hammerhead shark is either Scalloped Hammerhead (Sphyrna lewini) or Smooth Hammerhead (Sphyrna zygaena)

*** Ray, White Pointer is possibly a Western Shovelnose Ray (Glaucostegus typus) mis identified or mis-named.

CAAB -*Codes for Australian Aquatic Biota*- is a continuously maintained and expanding 8-digit coding system for aquatic organisms in the Australian region maintained by CSIRO Division of Marine and Atmospheric Research, Australia (CMAR). Initially developed to cover fishes and selected other organisms of research or commercial interest, it has more recently been expanded to provide more comprehensive coverage of a number of aquatic groups, as information is available. CAAB is used by a large and expanding number of governmental and industry groups for marine biology and fishery purposes and has replaced almost all other national and locally designed coding systems.

CAAB currently contains codes and taxonomic information for the following aquatic organisms in the Australian region:

- over 4,500 codes for fishes (CAAB category 37), representing virtually all known marine and freshwater species in Australian waters;

Carp virus water quality impact: "minimal" to "manageable"

25 November 2019



A carp

feeding on a dead fish.

RESEARCHERS at the University of Adelaide found that in many Australian inland waterways, risks to water quality associated with the potential release of the carp virus would be minimal in many areas and manageable in others.

"If the carp virus is released to control carp," explains principal investigator Justin Brooks "the ecosystem will need to cope with a surge in the number of dead carp, an increased demand for dissolved oxygen and the presence of more nutrients. This work has shown the impacts on water quality would be minimal in many waterways where there is good flow and mixing and manageable where the flow is slower."

The study's models show that areas with good flow, depth and cooler waters would likely cope best, whereas shallower waters with low or no flow and warmer temperatures are more likely to experience water quality impacts, especially if the density of carp is high. These waterbodies might require some intervention to clean up dead carp to avoid significant impacts on water quality.

The main threats to water quality include a reduction in the concentration of oxygen in the water and the possibility of associated algal blooms. The first is due to the oxygen consumption of organisms working to decompose dead carp, whereas the second is a result of an increase of nutrients present in the water as dead carp break down.

The research showed that at the existing biomass of carp, it would be unlikely that oxygen concentrations would drop below levels that are dangerous for native fish in most waterways.

In many locations, the research showed that the existing biomass of carp would have to be increased by more than four times before water quality impacts would become noticeable.

The research means that management of carp carcasses can focus on the higher risk sites which have still water and higher temperatures.

This research project is an important part of the National Carp Control Plan (NCCP). The NCCP is a \$10.2 million program led by the Fisheries Research and Development Corporation, on behalf of the Australian Government. It aims to address two questions: Is it feasible to release the carp herpes virus to control carp? If so what is the most effective way to release and manage the virus?

This project provides some of the science to help answer these questions.

The NCCP will be delivered to the Australian Government in December 2019. The Australian Government will then decide on the next steps.

The NCCP was formed to investigate the feasibility of releasing a virus to control carp in Australian waterways.

Carp (*Cyprinus carpio*) completely dominate freshwater fish communities in south eastern Australia. Carp impacts are felt environmentally, economically and socially. Carp affect water quality, native fish, fishing and irrigation. Carp impacts are felt environmentally, economically and socially.

For more information: www.carp.gov.au

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Pre-Summer Cooling System Check List

Your mates mightn't think you're cool, but your 4X4 sure will after following these five simple cooling system tips...

Much like David Bowie and Freddie Mercury were way back in 1981, your cooling system is under pressure. And much like living the lifestyle of two high-flying celebrity musicians, things can (and will) go wrong without a little bit of maintenance from time to time. While the cooling system fitted to your four-wheel drive has an incredibly complex task to handle, the reality is there aren't too many components involved. With the warmer months fast approaching, here are five areas of your cooling system you should investigate before hitting the tracks. After all, replacing parts in a nice clean workshop is about 16,003 times easier than on the side of the track in 40-degree heat... and I don't know about you, but I kind of like reaching my destination at the end of the day. I know, crazy right?

COOLANT

Radiator coolant plays a very important part in a cooling system, yet it certainly doesn't last forever. A good quality coolant will consist of a balance of ethylene or propylene glycol, anti-foaming agents, alkaline balance as well as rust and corrosion inhibitors. Not only does coolant need to have excellent heat transfer properties, it also needs to avoid freezing in colder climates while preventing the build-up of rust and corrosion. Never run tap water in your cooling system (unless it is an emergency); only use distilled water or even rain (tank) water. Your manufacturer will specify when to change the radiator coolant, and it is critical to meet these expectations for engine longevity. So, when was the last time you changed your coolant?

WE'RE FANS OF FANS

One often-overlooked cooling system component is the clutch fan assembly. Another is the actual fan itself. Fans can crack over time, and I don't need to tell you that a sharp plastic object spinning at 3,000rpm will do damage if it decides to break. Fan clutch assemblies lose tightness – meaning when the engine needs cooling the most, there isn't enough drive to cool the motor effectively. Some clutch fan assemblies can be rebuilt by adding small bottles viscous fluid to firm up the operation. If you are unable to rebuild the clutch unit, it's

time to dust off the credit card and pick up a new one. My GQ Patrol would always warm up climbing mountains; after replacing the fan and clutch with a new unit, the factory temp gauge now never moves. Basically, if you can spin the fan easily once the engine is warm (and switched off, naturally), it is time to investigate the topic further.

BELTS AND HOSES

This might seem a tad simple, but checking the condition of your belts and hoses regularly could save you thousands in engine repairs. A tiny leak in the cooling hoses can drain enough coolant from the system to overheat an engine before the factory temperature gauge even has time to register. Rubber hoses will harden as they age, so if yours feel brittle it is time to replace them ASAP. It is always a good idea to keep your old ones as spares too. Belts tend to hide abuse better than hoses... the trick here is to bend the belt back on itself and look for any cracking, which is a sure sign it needs to be replaced sooner rather than later. Again, keep these old belts as spares as they could save your bacon.

THERMOSTATS... AND WHY YOU NEED THEM

A cooling system thermostat is an incredibly ingenious and rather reliable mechanical component. Please, for the love of all things sacred, don't remove the thermostat fitted to your cooling system (as some keyboard warriors on Internet forums will recommend). The thinking from a few decades ago was that if the coolant is flowing faster, it will remain cooler. Rubbish! By running the correctly rated thermostat, coolant will remain in the radiator longer – meaning it will actually have a fighting chance of staying within operating temperatures. The thermostat assists the engine in reaching its critical operating temperature sooner, too. Without one, your engine will run rich (and not in a good way). As a side note: Before fitting your new thermostat in its housing, place it into a pot of boiling water to ensure the new component is in fact operating.

RADIATOR...

My take on radiators, is always buy the best quality and biggest radiator you can fit (and afford). A radiator is composed of a series of cooling tubes that run through the unit, which can block with debris over time. If your radiator is partially blocked, a process known as 'rodding' can solve this. Basically, the radiator end tanks are removed and a long sword-like device is pushed through all the tubes to clear them out. If your radiator is looking older than the Queen, it could be more cost-effective to replace it. Now, I'm a fan of brass/copper radiators as they are far simpler to repair in the bush. If you must be lured into a blinged-up alloy radiator... if it sounds too cheap then it is too cheap.

[Source: Unsealed4X4](#)

NOTES FROM AAA DELEGATES COUNCIL MEETING 19th of November 2019

Special Business or Notices of Motion:

There were two Notices of Motion presented to the meeting;

One from Peter Osborne, ORSSC relating to modifications to the rules for Rock and Beach and Estuary State Championships Competition. (See attached)

The other was presented by Martin Wearmouth, SCAC related to introducing a variation to competition rules where anglers could catch and release and record unwanted fish rather than kill them just to weigh them in. Discussed at length and Notice of Motion to be put into the Minutes of the Meeting for discussion at clubs. Several options available including a Beachcombers style of length competition or a Swanfish/MAAC type of competition using the phone app system with the Association to pay set up costs for this system.

Both Notices of Motion are to be discussed at the December Meeting and voted on at the January meeting.

Presidents Report:

President spoke of numbers of Association members ringing him to enquire about details not on the web site. All of these enquiries were related to the old web site and clubs and members need to be made aware of the new web site and email address and not to use the old one.

He spoke of problems with attempting to renew his fishing licence via the Department of Transport website. Will refer this to Recfishwest.

Will write letter to Recfishwest re loss of jetties and structures. We wrote to them in 2013 with a 39 page document and we are still losing fishing platforms due to lack of maintenance by both State and local governments.

It was noted that this evening was also the Recfishwest AGM which clashed with AAAWA Delegates Council Meeting meaning that Delegates and Executive were not able to attend. There were several questions to be put to Recfishwest relating to funding for restocking from Melville AAC and membership.

Estuary; Rock & Beach Report

Russell Bunce reported that all is ready for this weekends event. There are over 80 competitors entered for the event. Prize vouchers have been purchased and he is to collect the trophies tomorrow.

Boating Sub Committee Report:

Next Boating Sub-Committee Meeting is on Thursday evening at Hillarys. All is in readiness for the March 2020 Boating Championships and all that is required are more adverts for the publicity booklet.

Negotiations have already commenced for the next event to be held in Dongara / Port Denison.

Dry Casting Report:

This event was held at the Perth Polo Ground on the 27th of October 2019.

It was noted that there were several very good individual performances on the day in both the Mens and Veterans Divisions. The day was completed by midday and everyone was gone by 1:30PM.

Competition Calendar

Martin Wearmouth commented on corrections to be made to Association Competition Dates on the web site as some dates are not correct.

Association Web Site:

Club information and club contact details, pictures and any other promotional materials from clubs are still required to be sent to the Secretary. Much of the information currently held is not correct. LAAC, Beachcombers, S C A C, ORSSC, FAAC and MAAC are the only clubs that have provided up to date information.

Also club activities for inclusion in the Club Calendar of Events which is included with the Delegates Council Minutes is also required.

Notice of Motion to Amend the AAA (WA Div'n.)Inc., Competition Rules for State Rock & Beach and Estuary Events

Preamble:

Given the increasing negative pressure from various organizations on captures and kills of large numbers of fish, the AAA wish to present a more conservative image to the public but still retain a competitive skilled based competition.

The concept of one fish of each of the listed species is being used by various clubs for Rock and Beach competitions and is used for the AAA boat fishing competitions. Feedback from these 'one only' type of competitions gives that competitors are happy with the concept.

It is noted that fisho's may keep multiple fish (as within the WA Fisheries rules) as required for personnel use but only present a bag of fish per the following rule amendments

NOTICE OF MOTION

Moved Peter Osborne, ORSSC; Seconded By; Mark Hansen

"I hereby move that the Competition Rules for the Rock and Beach event be amended as per the following;

Clause 3.4 Eligible Species

Delete words "Only fish species listed" and replace with **"Only one fish of each species listed"**

Clause 3.5 Catch Limits

Replace the word “ eight fish of any one species”” with “**one fish of each of the listed species**”

Replace rule 5.1 with the following

5.1 POINT SCORES

All class winners will be arrived at by points awarded based on the number of eligible species weighed **plus 4 points per kilogram of total bag weight.**

Only 1 of each eligible species may be weighed.

Species points are as follows:

<u>No. of Species</u>	<u>Points Value</u>	<u>Total Points</u>
1	7	7
2	8	15
3	9	24
4	10	34
5	11	45
6	12	57
7	13	70
8	14	84
9	15	99
etc.	etc.	etc.

In the event of competitors scoring equal points, the competitor with the greater number of species shall prevail.

Should scores still be equal then the heaviest average weight per fish will be the determining factor.

In the event of any fish being hooked in or through the mouth by more than one competitor, the points attained for that fish must be shared.

Club Captains shall be responsible for checking, signing and receiving their Club’s receipts prior to removing their bags from the weigh-in area.”
