

REEL TALK



SURF CASTING AND ANGLING CLUB OF WA INC

July 2017

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President's Report – July 2017



Once again, thank you to our Vice President, Vic Schilo, for chairing the last 2 General meetings in my absence, the latter at fairly short notice. As you would expect he discharged this responsibility with flair and efficiency, making it a simple task for me to resume the chair.

We now head towards a busy time of the year. As you all will know by now, the Annual General Meeting will be held on Wednesday 12th July.

As usual all committee positions will be declared vacant and elections will be conducted for next year's committee. The process will follow that prescribed in our constitution that was passed earlier this year.

Democracy works best when as many people as possible participate, so I would urge all members make an effort to be present to vote. As a reward, following the completion of the AGM and July General Meeting, those present will be able to socialise whilst partaking of pizza supplied by the club.

Our Social Organiser Pat McKeown has been working hard applying finishing touches to the Presentation Night, which looks like it will be a great success, as it was last year. The format will be very similar to last year and I am sure the Croatian Club will again be very hospitable hosts.

At the time of writing, 40 odd tickets have been sold and hopefully a few more may eventually be sold.

Finally, it was a bit alarming to hear that Southern Garfish numbers had reduced to the point that an immediate ban on taking in metropolitan waters has been introduced. Like many anglers, I was taught how to fish by my late father. We had a 12 foot aluminium dinghy and spent many mornings in Cockburn Sound chasing herring and gardies on handlines.

When we got home dad would wash the boat etc and I would clean the fish. We would keep a few for ourselves and sell the rest at the local pub for \$1 a dozen [I would put 14 in the bag because the punters liked that]. The point of this burst of sentimentality is that were it not for herring and gardies, then I would most likely have quit fishing as a child, thereby denying myself of so many wonderful experiences and memories. Let's all hope that the stocks of these 2 wonderful species can be restored to their former glory.

Shane Wignell President

Thought for the month:

“The principal goal of education

Should be creating men and women who are capable of doing new things, not simply repeating what other generations have done.”

Jean Piaget

Annual General Meeting

The Surf Casting and Angling Club AGM will be held on Wednesday 12 July.

Apart from the necessary reports, it also signals an opportunity for all members to consider serving on the SCAC Committee. The Committee continues to be made up of the same few members and it goes without saying their support and valuable volunteer time is very much appreciated by all. In fact without that commitment the SCAC would just not function.

The AGM notice and Committee nomination form has been forwarded to you. Please make a note of the date and make an effort to attend.

Victor Schilo Vice President

Social Organisers Report .

This report is the final one before the Clubs AGM.

It's been a good year for the club, we are all enjoying the club which is very important.

Looking back on the achievements, it's all been very harmonious and the camaraderie has been excellent, all working towards the same goal looking after your club.

Now, it needs all members to step up and support the different sections in the club:

- Drycasting needs more support even if you don't cast you can help and support those that do.
- Fishing events, which are what we are all about, need more support.
- There are local and away events, all selected by the members you might not catch much in the way of fish but you are feeding tomorrow's catch.

Social scene is always a battle to get support as most organisers will know it's very disheartening to organise something and only a few turn up.

You shake your head and wonder why you bother BUT the few that do attend make it worthwhile.

Thanks to all for your support throughout the year.

I will be nominating for another term and it will be my final term.

As with all things we need new input from new blood.

The presentation night is coming together very nicely with good support from members with donations to hand out on the night to recipients.

Please make sure you pay the treasurer now as we need to pay for the catering.

Any more guests are more than welcome. Come along and enjoy the night.

\$32.00 per head gets you a top night out see you there.

Our sponsors are offering good support so please support them.

The AGM will be followed by a Pizza supper.

See you on a beach somewhere Social Organiser Pat McKeown

Membership Co-ordinators Report

The membership enquiry rate has slowed down maybe it's the cold weather keeping them at home and not out fishing.

We welcomed David to our last meeting as a prospective new member welcome aboard David.

The membership is stable at the moment and we would like to see members attending the meetings and joining in events.

Justin is organising a face book page for the club members this is a good source of chat and catch up with photos etc.

Peet is looking after the website and doing a wonderful job.

There is heaps of info there to guide you through any questions you have if you cannot find the answer there ask on the face book page.

Peter O is stepping down from his role as Field Day Officer Thanks Peter for all your years of hard work for the clubs benefit. Enjoy the extra time you have. I am sure you will find things to do.

At the moment the sick list is vacant which is great all must be well.

Must be the fishing and fresh air.

Stay well and Enjoy Life Membership Coordinator Pat McKeown

July event calendar

June Dry-Casting

<u>When</u>	SUNDAY 9 July: Competition casting starts at 8:30am
<u>Where</u>	Mirrabooka Regional Open Space.
<u>Fees</u>	\$10 per person, \$12 per family.
<u>Events</u>	Double handed accuracy, Single handed accuracy, 56 gram distance, Artificial Bait distance, 112 gram distance.

July General Meeting

<u>When</u>	Wednesday 12 July commencing at 7.30pm
<u>Where</u>	Coolbinia West Perth Amateur Football and Sporting Club room

July Committee Meeting

<u>When</u>	Wednesday 19 July, Commencing at new time of 7.00pm
<u>Where</u>	Coolbinia West Perth Amateur Football and Sporting Club room. Club members who wish to see what's involved in Committee work may attend Committee meetings by invitation as visitors and observers and at the discretion of the President or Vice Chairman. Please contact the President or the Secretary well before the meeting to arrange your invitation.

15 – 16 July Field Days

Away Field Day

Cape to Cape:	Busselton Jetty to Augusta
When:	15 – 16 July
Lines Down:	1.30pm Saturday 15 July
Lines Out:	10.00am Sunday 16 July
Sign on & Weigh in:	South side Busselto Jetty carpark

Local Field Day

Boundary:	Floreat to Mandurah Cut
Lines Down:	1.30pm Saturday 15 July
Lines Out:	10.00am Sunday 16 July
Weigh in:	TBA



Support Dry Casting

THE 'GREEN THING'

Checking out at the store, the young cashier suggested to the much older lady that she should bring her own grocery bags, because plastic bags are not good for the environment. The woman apologized to the young girl and explained, "We didn't have this 'green thing' back in my earlier days." The young clerk responded, "That's our problem today. Your generation did not care enough to save our environment for future generations." The older lady said that she was right -- our generation didn't have the "green thing" in its day. The older lady went on to explain:

Back then, we returned milk bottles, soft drink bottles and beer bottles to the store. The store sent them back to the plant to be washed and sterilized and refilled, so it could use the same bottles over and over. So they really were recycled. But we didn't have the "green thing" back in our day. Grocery stores bagged our groceries in brown paper bags that we reused for numerous things. Most memorable besides household garbage bags was the use of brown paper bags as book covers for our school books. This was to ensure that public property (the books provided for our use by the school) was not defaced by our scribbles. Then we were able to personalize our books on the brown paper bags. But, too bad we didn't do the "green thing" back then. We walked up stairs because we didn't have an escalator in every store and office building. We walked to the grocery store and didn't climb into a 300-horsepower machine every time we had to go two blocks. But she was right. We didn't have the "green thing" in our day.

Back then we washed the baby's nappies because we didn't have the throw away kind. We dried clothes on a line, not in an energy-gobbling machine burning up 240 volts. Wind and solar power really did dry our clothes back in our early days. Kids got hand-me-down clothes from their brothers or sisters, not always brand-new clothing.

But that young lady is right; we didn't have the "green thing" back in our day.

Back then we had one TV, or radio, in the house -- not a TV in every room. And the TV had a small screen the size of a handkerchief (remember them?), not a screen the size of the state of Tasmania. In the kitchen we blended and stirred by hand because we didn't have electric machines to do everything for us. When we packaged a fragile item to send in the mail, we used wadded up old newspapers to cushion it, not styrofoam or plastic bubble wrap. Back then, we didn't fire up an engine and burn gasoline just to cut the lawn. We used a push mower that ran on human power. We exercised by working so we didn't need to go to a health club to run on treadmills that operate on electricity.

But she's right; we didn't have the "green thing" back then.

We drank from a fountain when we were thirsty instead of using a cup or a plastic bottle every time we had a drink of water. We refilled writing pens with ink instead of buying a new pen, and we replaced the razor blade in a razor instead of throwing away the whole razor just because the blade got dull.

But we didn't have the "green thing" back then.

Back then, people took the tram or a bus and kids rode their bikes to school or walked instead of turning their mums into a 24-hour taxi service in the family's \$65,000 SUV or van, which cost what a whole house did before the "green thing." We had one electrical outlet in a room, not an entire bank of sockets to power a dozen appliances. And we didn't need a computerized gadget to receive a signal beamed from satellites 23,000 miles out in space in order to find the nearest burger joint.

But isn't it sad the current generation laments how wasteful we old folks were just because we didn't have the "green thing" back then?

Contributed by Pat McKeown



Perth metropolitan waters closed to fishing for southern garfish

Taking southern garfish (also known as ‘southern sea garfish’) is prohibited in Perth’s metropolitan waters between 31° south (just north of Lancelin) and 33° south (near Lake Preston/Myalup) until further notice to protect the breeding stock.

The closure applies to both recreational and commercial fishing.

Department of Fisheries’ research showed a significant decline in the number of southern garfish in Cockburn Sound and wider Perth Metropolitan waters due to environmental and fishing pressures. The closure has been introduced to ease fishing pressure on southern garfish and allow them to rebuild.

The Department will continue to monitor the stocks and assess the recovery progress. Fishers are still able to take robust garfish from the closed area.

Robust garfish (also known as ‘storm garfish’) can be identified by a dark blotch below the dorsal fin and a longer lower tail fin lobe than that of southern garfish (see illustration below).

Southern garfish

(Gardie, southern sea garfish)

Hyporhamphus melanochir



Robust garfish

(Three-by-two garfish, storm garfish)

Hemiramphus robustus



Lower lobe of tail fin longer

Dark blotch below dorsal fin

You can play your part in ensuring there will be southern garfish for the future by sticking to the rules and not taking southern garfish caught in the closed area.



Fishing Field Days General

<u>Local sign on</u>	At General meeting or phone Field Day Officer before 8pm on Thursday.
<u>Late sign on</u>	Phone the Field Day Organiser. The club will assume you will not be fishing if you haven't signed on at the sign on place or phoned.
<u>Please SMS</u>	Peter Osborne (The Field Day Officer) on 0401 054 110 as he will not answer the phone if he is driving or if earlier, he may be out on a reef fishing.
<u>Club sign off</u>	If you have signed on then you must sign off at the nominated time at the weigh-in place at the nominated time in person or by phone/SMS no later than ½ hour before the weigh-in time. If you have no fish, have an emergency outside of the Field Day, or have personal reasons and will not attend the weigh-in contact the Field Day Officer.
<u>Club fees</u>	\$10 per person, \$12 per family. If you sign on you must pay the Field day fees. Please bring the correct money because there may not be change. If you don't make payment at sign-on or at the preceding General Meeting or you have signed on by telephone, please make payment to the FDO or Assistant FDO at the weigh-in.
<u>FDO</u>	Local FDO to be advised at the General Meeting.
<u>Fish</u>	Fish caught between the lines in and lines out times are eligible for the Club Field Day competition and weigh-in. Fish caught before or after those times are eligible for the Open fishing competition.
<u>Local boundaries</u>	Normally Penguin Island sand spit to north wall of the Two Rocks Marina, including the Swan and Canning Rivers, the North and South Mole , unless different boundaries are listed for that month.
<u>Local weigh in</u>	Location to be set at General meeting, or the Local Field Day officer may set an alternative or additional location or time by arrangement with the members who have signed on.. Results to be phoned to FDO by 8pm the next night.
<u>Fish together</u>	Check at the General Meeting prior to each field day for arrangements and discussions about when and where members can meet to fish together locally in the metropolitan area or at the away venue. New members are encouraged to fish with experienced members for guidance and help..



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Recorder's Report

The Rottnest trip saw Sandra achieve her Game fish badge with 8.2Kg Yellowtail Kingfish, great capture Sandra!

Paul Terpkos also added YTK to his species badge.

The June trip to the Kalbarri region suffered from large swells hampering efforts but Vince Tomazin found a Tailor completing his species badge with 10, well done Vince!

On a personal note it was nice to join in the June local field day and catch a bag of herring at North Beach in 30 minutes as they were really on the bite.

I have been working on a new spreadsheet to calculate dry casting percentage and Sports Person of the year points in a simpler format than we currently have. The good news is that the years of computer classes I did at school were worthwhile and I have a working spreadsheet that is relatively simple to operate. What this means is I can also provide more updates on dry casting scores as they add up over the year and SPOY point tallies for the Reel Talk maybe on a 3 monthly basis which hopefully inspires some friendly competition

Species Competition

Name	Bream	Flathead	Flounder	Garfish	Herring	Yellow Eyed Mullet	Mackerel	Mulloway	Pink Snapper	Salmon	Samson Fish	Snook or Pike	Tailor	Tarwhine	Trevally	Whiting	Wrasse	Amberjack	Dart	Banded Sweep	Western Rock Blackfish	Yellowtail Kingfish	Number caught
Paul Terpkos					1								1		1		1					1	5
Vincent Tomazin		1			1			1		1			1		1	1	1				1	1	10

2016/17 Recorder, Justin Rose

Dry Casting Report 11 June 2017

Hoping to see you all next month.

Dry-casting Officer Ron Thomas

Drycasting results - 11th June 2017

	56 gram					Artificial Bait					112gram				
	Cast	Cast	Total	%		Cast	Cast	Total	%		Cast	Cast	Total	%	
<u>Veterans</u>	1	2				1	2				1	2			
ALAN JONES	82.16	O/B	82.16	30.51		92.21	86.32	178.53	75.66		107.15	110.75	217.90	76.02	
PETER OSBORNE	89.41	86.04	175.45	64.15		88.28	87.75	176.03	74.60		93.47	89.80	183.27	63.94	
MAL HEAD	92.25	94.79	187.04	69.45		81.88	92.21	174.09	73.78		106.86	106.20	213.06	74.34	
BOB HENDERON	O/B	95.80	95.80	35.57		92.90	94.80	187.70	79.54		113.97	109.66	223.63	78.02	
RON THOMAS	139.82	129.50	269.32	100.00		117.85	118.12	235.97	100.00		138.73	147.89	286.62	100.00	
<u>Seniors</u>															
MARK HANSON	97.54	86.30	183.84	100.00		99.35	101.45	200.80	89.97		118.33	112.65	230.98	86.63	
JEFF HEWTON	O/B	O/B	0.00	0.00		107.75	115.43	223.18	100.00		131.50	135.14	266.64	100.00	

Dry-Casting Results 11 June 2017

<u>Double Handed Accuracy</u>											<u>Single Handed Accuracy</u>									
Target number											Target distance									
Veterans	3	3	1	1	4	4	2	2	Total	%		L	S	L	S	Total	%	Total	Attendance	Total
																			D/Casting	Points
Alan Jones	19	14	24	15	6	8	22	21	129	81.13		3	9	9	10	31	100	363.32	10	373.32
Bob Henderson	15	21	15	21	4	9	13	20	118	74.21		3	5	5	6	19	61.29	328.63	10	338.63
Peter Osborne	16	21	10	0	0	17	0	21	85	53.45		8	7	5	7	27	87.10	343.24	10	353.24
Ron Thomas	25	13	25	18	11	24	21	22	159	100.00		8	8	6	9	31	100.00	500	10	510.00
Mal Head	16	18	13	14	19	7	20	20	127	79.87		1	5	0	4	10	32.26	329.70	10	339.70

Seniors

Jeff Hewton	0	24	15	23	0	4	9	16	91	100.00		0	0	3	0	3	13.64	313.64	10	323.64
Mark Hanson	7	13	15	8	1	0	20	8	72	79.12		0	6	8	8	22	100.00	455.72	10	465.72

Veterans: Best Casts for the year 2017 - 2018

Longest 56 Gram	139.82M	Ron Thomas
Longest Artificial Bait	120.42M	Ron Thomas
Longest 112 Gram	147.89M	Ron Thomas
Highest Double Handed Accuracy	159	Ron Thomas
Highest Single Handed Accuracy	31	Bob Henderson

Seniors: Best Casts for the year 2017 - 2018

Longest 56 Gram	99.98M	Jeff Hewton
Longest Artificial Bait	115.43M	Jeff Hewton
Longest 112 Gram	135.14M	Jeff Hewton
Highest Double Handed Accuracy	91	Jeff Hewton
Highest Single Handed Accuracy	22	Mark Hansen



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SCAC June 2017 Field Day Report: Kalbarri / Port Gregory & Local

Overview

The June 2017 away field day was held on the June long weekend from 6:00 am Saturday 3rd June to 10:0 am Monday 5th June and was spread from the mouth of the Kalbarri River to Port Gregory, with the club persons split between both places..

As in May, a bit disappointing in that the numbers of SCAC persons attending this away venue was down considerably. It is noted that fishing catch expectations was not realized, as the results in Port Gregory was average and Kalbarri was an absolute wipe-out.

Only one person fished locally for a short period but did well for his effort.

The Trip.

Most of us drove to the venue on Friday to allow for some looking around before the competition weekend.

The fishing period was from lines down at 6:00 am on the Saturday. Fishing through to lines up at 10.00am on Monday, to suit returning to the either Port Gregory Caravan Park or Kalbarri club house and have bags weighed in by 11:00 am on Monday.

For the away trip a total of 5 SCAC Anglers signed on. (I.e. Pat McKeon, Martin Wearmouth, Garry and Vince with FDO Peter Osborne. Simmo, daughter Heather's partner, joined us for a fish on Sunday. Generally beautiful weather, no rain, calm or light winds only, but with a very high to extremely high swell (particularly for Kalbarri) prevailing over the weekend.. This gave limited fishing conditions. i.e This resulted in most places being unfishable

Martin, Gary and Vince headed off early Friday for Port Gregory, they arrived at about 1:00 pm to the unit they had booked for the weekend. After unloading some items and a short rest they let down their tyres and headed off to check the beach for fishing spots.

This group headed onto the beach at Port Gregory going south to Nobbys Hole, the water here looked good but the hole was gone and filled in with sand, there was a nice deep gutter about 50 to 60 meters out right at the end of the reef, They then headed south to look at the Hutt River area, however this area was shallow for about 100 meters out, so not that good for fishing.

They then headed for Lucky Bay, on the way in they met the Ranger who told them that no fish had been caught at Wago or Lucky Bay for weeks. This was not good news but they headed off to try anyway. They drove about 9 km past Lucky Bay along Wago, looking for some fishing spots, and they tried 2 spots with no luck, just a few pickers taking the bait. They only stayed a few hours and headed back for a good night's sleep.

They woke early on Saturday morning and based on the previous afternoon review of the coast line, headed south of the Port Gregory jetty to Nobbys Hole. They arrived just before 6:00am and immediately got stuck into fishing. Martin got a good bite just after 6am and lost it, next cast another good bite and the fish headed for the reef, however, after a short tussle a 1.1m reef shark hit the beach. After a quick measure and photo the shark was released back to fight another day.



Next Gary got a good hook up and landed a big Dart, and then Martin got one of a similar size, after that things went quiet and the swell got bigger making the clear water harder to reach as it stirred up more of the water close to the beach.

After 2 more hours they moved to try some other spots but could not find any more fish, hence then headed back to the unit for a good lunch. Then they decided to try north of the Port Gregory jetty, where they had seen a nice deep gutter close to the beach. As this was inside the reef it was not being stirred up by the swell and wind, and just on dark the tailor came on, Martin got 4, Gary got 1 and Vince got 1, at 7.30pm they headed to their unit for dinner and a good night's sleep.

Sunday morning they went back to the spot where the Tailor were caught on Saturday. Gary got 3 and Martin got 1 tailor and 1 whiting that morning. Vince decided to head home early and left about 9am on Sunday. Gary and Martin fished the same spot on Sunday afternoon/night with Martin getting 2 more Tailor to finish with his bag of 8.



Gary



Martin



Gary's Fish



Martin's Bag

So from some good water on Friday the wind and swell from Saturday morning made most spots unfishable hence they did not try Wagoe over the field day deciding to stay behind the reef where the water was still clean.

Pat and Peter headed to Kalbarri on Friday, arriving late afternoon. Early Saturday morning they took the small boat across the river and walked across the sand dune to the river mouth. Looking north from the river out they could see the swell was very high and Frustration was unfishable. i.e. the favourite Mulloway hot spot was a no go

They picked a spot that was possibly fishable where the beach joined the Oyster Reef at the mouth. Occasionally a good cast would reach the edge of clear water but a few wave swell later they would come crashing in and stir things up ever further out. In some case the with swell being so high and strong it would lift terminal gear & sinker and deposit just about at your feet. Hence after 60 minutes of trying they gave this away as a bad joke.

We had a look around and deducted that a few spots on Chinamens, at the river mouth, and further up the river were fishable. Red bluff, a couple of spots between there and the river mouth (where had previous success of mixed bags including Tailor, Herring and Garfish) were also unfishable because of the swell. Hence, due to the number of holiday makers putting a line in the water, when we could get access, we fished Chinamens both early morning and evenings - only success was a 2 inch Tarwhine and Blowies. We also tried up river but again only small fish with only mulie head and skeleton being retrieved.

Simmo tried the cray boat wharf on Sunday evening, but only found many undersize Bream; a couple were close to being legal size.

Key Statistics

Martin:	Heaviest bag – Tailor, Dart, Whiting and a Shark
Heaviest .Fish -	Dart 0.72kg
	1 Shark (released) approx. 5kg -
Gary:	2 nd heaviest Tailor 0.58kg
	2 nd heaviest Dart .66kg
Vince:	3 rd heaviest Tailor 0.49kg
Pat & Peter:	No of fish and weight – 0.00

Local Field Day

For the local event, only Justin Rose fished locally and applied his skills only on Saturday afternoon and managed to land bag of 12 herring weighing 1.48 kg total. He intended to try the Swanbourne Drain in the morning, however with his daughter quite ill that night he ran out of time and sleep so did not extend his fishing time.

Tight lines, Peter Osborne; Field Day Officer

Sportsperson of the year sections for June			
Section	Angler	Species	Weight
Best scale fish	Martin Wearmouth	Dart (all species)	0.72
Best bag of scale fish	Martin Wearmouth	Mixed bag	4.71
Best shark	Martin Wearmouth	Shark	4.50
Best bag inclg sharks	Martin Wearmouth	Mixed bag	9.21

Field day prizes for June			
Section	Angler	Species	Weight
Best scale fish	Martin Wearmouth	Dart (all species)	0.72
Best bag of scale fish	Gary Parkinson	Mixed bag	2.55
Best shark	Martin Wearmouth	Shark	4.50
Best bag including sharks	Martin Wearmouth	Mixed bag	9.21

Top scores from May thru June 2017		
Rank	Angler	Total points
1	Sandra Wessels	356.8
2	Peet Wessels	317.0
3	Theo Van Niekerk	271.3
4	Peter Osborne	191.0
5	Martin Wearmouth	184.7
6	Paul Terpkos	116.5
7	Ian Taggart	76.6
8	Gary Parkinson	101.5
9	Ian Taggart	76.6
10	Pat McKeon	40.0
11	Vince Tomazin	34.9
12	Justin Rose	34.8



Rods are in but where are Martin and Gary?



From this to this

How not to load your roof rack

June Field Day 2016/17														
ANGLER		Species	Species	Species	Species	Species	Total weight	No. of Species	No. of fish	F.D. points	Attendance			Total points
		Tailor	Dart (all species)	Whiting (other than listed)	Herring, Australian	Shark					Field Day	Local	General Meeting	
Martin Wearmouth	Number	8	1	1		1	9.21	4	11	132.1	1		1	152.1
	Total weight	3.91	0.72	0.08		4.50								
	Weight of best	0.69												
Vincent Tomazin	Number	1					0.49	1	1	14.9	1		1	34.9
	Total weight	0.49												
	Weight of best													
Gary Parkinson	Number	4	1				2.55	2	5	45.5	1		1	65.5
	Total weight	1.89	0.66											
	Weight of best	0.58												
Pat McKeown	Number	0									1		1	20.0
	Total weight													
	Weight of best													
Peter Osborne	Number	0					0.00	0	0	0.0	1		1	20.0
	Total weight													
	Weight of best													
Justin Rose	Number				12		1.48	1	12	24.8		1		34.8
	Total weight				1.48									
	Weight of best													

Birthdays for July

Ian Pereira 9th July
Glen Wong 15th July

We wish you all the best for your special day.

Membership Fees are due for renewal

You will receive your membership renewal notice either via email or post.
Please ensure payment is made by 31 July 2017

TIDAL INFORMATION FOR ANGLERS

The component which possibly contributes most to the peculiar ecological features of sea shores is the rhythmic tidal rise and fall in water level seen on all coastlines in broad contact with the oceans. It has long been known that tides are caused by the gravitational attraction of the moon and the sun on the waters of the earth. The frequency and height of tides correspond fairly closely with movements of these heavenly bodies.

When the sun, the earth and the moon lie in line with each other whether the sun and the moon are on the same side (time of new moon) or on opposite sides of the earth (time of full moon), their joint effect makes for a greater range in the tides, so called spring tides.

When the sun and the moon pull at right angles to each other (time of half moon) the tidal ranges are less and these are called neap tides. The moon though very much smaller than the sun is very much closer and its gravitational pull is about twice that of the sun.

The moon then creates a tidal bulge of water on its side of the earth but on the diametrically opposite side of the earth another tidal bulge is caused by the absence of the moon's gravitation coupled with the centrifugal force of the earth-moon rotation. The net result is that normally there are two high tides per day or more precisely in every 24 hours and 51 minutes, due to the moon's rotation around the earth in every 28 days, making the tides a little later day by day.

Nominally there are two high tides a day and such tides are said to be semidiurnal. In some circumstances, one of these rises is negated so that there is only one high and one low tide per day, in which case the tides are said to be diurnal. Tides in other places are mixed, having both diurnal and semidiurnal phases.

Another variant in tidal pattern is seen when the two tides within 24 hours are unequal in height and in still another, occurring at neap tides, tidal level may remain at near mid-tide level for upwards of a day or more. This is the dodge or dodging tide. All these tidal patterns occur in different places along the coasts of southern Australia.

Movements of the moon and the sun which cause the tides are known with great precision and are highly predictable. Such, however, cannot be said of the tides themselves. This is because the oceans form a series of expanses of water of varying shapes, sizes and depths. All of them are in communication with each other, but each ocean or even each part of each ocean develops a resonating frequency in relation to the repeated gravitational pulls of the sun and the moon at a given point.

Such resonating frequencies can be demonstrated on a simple scale by observing the back and forth oscillations of a wave in a shallow rectangular dish. The frequency of such oscillations will be found to differ according to the size of the dish and the water depth. Wave height in the dish can be increased by tilting the dish slightly in phase with the wave motion, and decreased by tilting the dish out of phase. Other manipulations can cause a confused pattern of waves.

In the same way oceans, or parts of them, develop a harmonic motion in response to the gravitational pull of the sun and moon. It is thought that the peculiar dodge tides are caused when the harmonic resonances set up by the sun and moon cancel each other out, resulting in a tidal level that remains steady for one or more tidal periods. This type of tidal variation is quite common in South Australia.

The configuration of bays and gulfs also affects tides. In bays with constricted openings such as Port Phillip Bay the tidal range at the 'Heads' is about 1 m and is lower (about 0.5 m) at Port Melbourne, but the tidal wave is propagated up the bay in the usual way so that high tide at Port Melbourne is about 3½ hours later than that at the Heads.

In bays or gulfs with broad openings such as Spencer Gulf, the tidal range increases up the Gulf (from 1.1 m at Port Lincoln to more than 3 m at Port Augusta) and at the same time the tidal wave is slowed down so that high tide at the head of the Gulf at Port Augusta is 5 hours after that at Port Lincoln near the mouth.

In Gulf St Vincent there is a similar range in tidal heights up the Gulf but the time of high tide differs little around the coast. This is probably due to the tidal wave propagating through the dual entrances of Investigator Strait and Backstairs Passage, and forming a nodal point just north of Kangaroo Island.

Another factor influencing tidal height is atmospheric pressure. A high pressure (anti-cyclonic) system can depress water levels by as much as 30 cm while a low pressure (cyclonic) system has the reverse effect. This is most obvious when a large weather system is moving across a large expanse of open water such as the Pacific Ocean. Laser measurements from satellites has shown variations of up to 3 m depending upon the strength of the system. Winds too, will have their effects. Onshore winds will raise the water level generally and offshore winds depress them.

Tides on southern Australian coasts are remarkable too for the inequality in the heights of the morning and evening tides where and when semidiurnal tides occur. In the summer months (November to March), the morning tides show the greater range. In about April, this changes gradually so that in the winter months, (May to September) the evening tide has the greater range. This can be accounted for by the changing lunar and solar influences at the equinoxes.

Tides then, especially in this part of the world, are very complex phenomena. In practice, tidal predictions are based on a study of tide records taken over several years at a given point. From these data, the astronomic and predictable effects can be extracted and then comes the more difficult task of analysing the effects of local topography, the harmonics of immediate and neighbouring water masses and other influences. For tidal predictions at Fremantle Inner Harbour for instance, some sixty factors are taken into consideration.

For the enthusiastic angler, knowledge of the tides is of paramount importance. They should remember too, that the tide falls fastest at about mid tide level and rises fastest at the same level. The change in level is slowest near high tide and low tide levels.

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INOX LUBRICATES & PROTECTS

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Those who like to keep their fishing and boating equipment in tip-top shape will no doubt be familiar with the Inox brand. The name behind a bunch of proven mechanical lubrication and anti-corrosion products has a few new additions to the range that fishos may not be aware of.

Inox-MX3 is a lubricant that's ideal for use in fishing reels and other bits of mechanical gear that needs to stay in optimum condition and working order. Inox mx3 is a non-corrosive and non-staining product that as well as lubricating and protecting fishing tackle is ideal for a host of other uses on the boat as well as around the home. It won't harm metal paint, enamel finishes, plastics, fibreglass or neoprene seals. INOX-mx3 is available in seven sizes including 100 and 300g aerosol and 125 ml pump packs, and notably a handy 60 ml bottle with injector needle for precise applications on reels, control cables and the like.

Another product in the range, Inox mx5 Plus lubricant, has been specially formulated by modifying the original Inox base formula together with the addition of a high grade friction modifier - 'teflon (polytetrafluoroethylene). The makers say Inox mx5 Plus has been designed for applications where a superior extreme pressure, anti-corrosion, anti-moisture liquid lubricant, a high grade penetrating oil or an industrial quality machine cutting lubricant is required.

Inox-mx6 is a fully synthetic extreme pressure grease that's ideal for use in fishing reels and other marine applications. The makers say this grease is highly resistant to water, salt, chemicals and drying. Handily for fishos, it comes in a 30 g tube that's ideal for leaving in the tackle box or in boat storage.

For more information on these and other Inox products go to:

<http://www.inox-mx3.com/inox.htm>



Caption: The use of life jackets on vessels in WA is being reviewed. At the moment it is not compulsory and skipper Andrew Jarvis has his on in this photo, but his passengers do not

The State Government is reviewing boat safety

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The State Government is reviewing the safety equipment required on recreational vessels and wants feedback from the boating public on topics including making wearing life jackets compulsory.

The previous review, which led to the current regulations, was back in 1992 and given the massive changes in recreational boating over 25 years it would seem appropriate to revisit the regulations.

There are several new types of recreational vessels these days, including pedal kayaks and stand-up paddleboards, and the technology available for marine users has also changed significantly.

For example, there are a plethora of EPIRBs and PLBs available these days, while global positioning technology has also advanced dramatically.

Life jackets and personal floatation devices (PFDs) have also changed markedly in recent years, changing the way in which they can be used and making them much more user-friendly than in the past.

An external reference group has been formed to help guide the review and members of the group comprise representatives from various organisations with particular interests or expertise with particular vessel types, or represent particular user groups with an interest in water safety.

But the State Government also wants user feedback, and has provided an online survey as the first phase of the review.

The proposed changes are the result of analysing data on past marine incidents, which provided guidance on what safety equipment is needed and how it should be used.

One of the most contentious issues will surround life jackets, with the review considering making wearing them compulsory for all users on recreational vessels to cut down on lives lost at sea.

This could include kayaks and stand-up paddleboards, as well as boats.

While many boat skippers have started wearing their PFDs at all times on the water, it is not compulsory to do so in WA and there is likely to be some resistance from users of personal watercraft such as stand-up paddleboards.

Under the proposed changes, lifejackets or PFDs would need to be worn by all on board whenever the vessel is moving.

Such a change would bring WA in line with other states on the east coast, where life jackets are compulsory on all waters in many jurisdictions.

Fortunately for modern boaters, life jackets and PFDs have never been more comfortable and practical to wear.

Fourteen people have died on the water in WA since July last year and eight were not wearing life jackets.

Other safety issues being considered by the review include flares, life rafts, marine radios, distress signals and more.

You can provide feedback by completing an online survey by July 10 and it only takes around 20 minutes to have your say.

The online survey is available at www.transport.wa.gov.au/safetysurvey.

A paper version is also available on request, while public forums are being held about the review.



Caption: Chris Partington battles a 30-knot southerly south of Kalbarri. He had three out of four factors right and still caught fish.

. Should I stay or should I go

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The weather plays a critical part in planning fishing excursions. If you are planning to head away on a land-based angling trip for a few days or more the weather will likely determine your overall success.

Occasionally all the climatic variables line up perfectly and fishing difficulties are all but forgotten. But more often than not you will have some aspects of the weather in your favour and others against you. This column will explore the dilemma many of us face in determining if we stay home or go for it.

In shore angling I feel there are four main factors which need to be considered when determining if the conditions are in your favour. In no particular order these are wind, swell, tides and moon. I thought I would look at each of these factors in a bit of detail and share how I determine if it's worth heading off on a trip or not.

Let's start with the wind. Shore anglers live and die by the wind strength and direction. Given casting distance plays such an important role in reaching the fish it's little wonder. Onshore wind is wind that blows in from the ocean and as such presents shore casters with added resistance as they punch their casts into it. Offshore winds will be at the angler's back and will aid casting distance. Of course many times the wind will blow somewhat diagonally to the coast and in Western Australia this is often the case. It goes without saying that lighter winds are more favourable than strong winds. This is especially so for any onshore wind directions. But what about the wind's strength and direction in terms of stimulating fish to bite? In my experience most species bite better when the surface of the water is agitated by the wind. Flat calm conditions are normally relatively quiet for fish activity. Ideal wind strength for our west coast for shore angling would be light to moderate. This equates to 10-20kph winds. Enough breeze to ruffle the water surface but not enough to create white caps and hinder casting efficiency.

Wind direction also seems to affect fish feeding. The best wind direction for fish feeding in my experience seems to be anything from the south-east through to the south-west. Conversely wind from the north or north-west seem to shut the bite down. It's possible that fish may head for deeper water and seek shelter in these winds as they generally herald the approach of a strong cold front on our WA coast.

In summary, light to moderate winds with a bit of south in them is your best bet.

Moving on to swell, we have the swell size and the swell direction to consider. With the incredible amount

of information at our fingertips via the internet these days looking at the swell predictions is relatively easy. Swell differs from wind in so much as the optimum amount of swell will depend heavily on the location you plan to fish. For example, the fully exposed beaches in the Kalbarri area 'pick up' more swell thanks to deeper water closer to shore and no swell-blocking obstructions out to sea. Perth beaches on the other hand are somewhat protected by offshore reefs and islands that reduce the swell size and power before it reaches our shores.

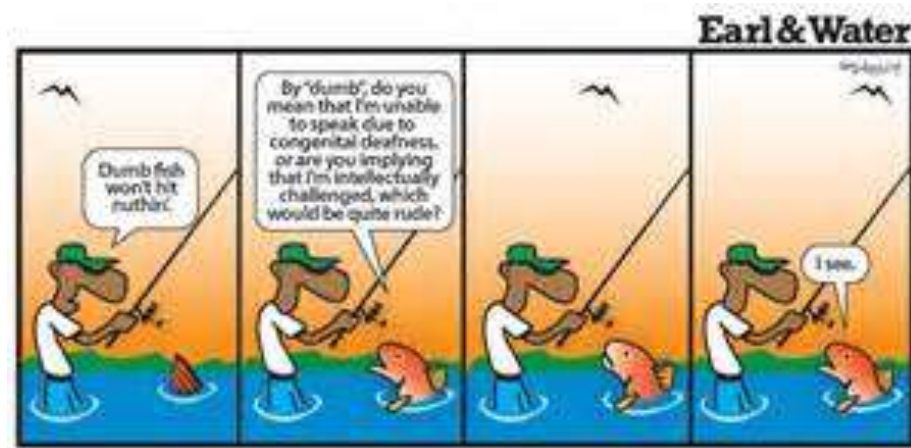
Working out the optimum swell conditions for your chosen spot takes lots of trial and error. Swell creates water movement and generally speaking most locations fish better with at least some water movement. The trick is getting just the right amount to create the perfect scenario. Too much water movement will make fishing difficult due to excessive currents and can make some locations dangerous. Fish will normally avoid too much water movement as it requires too much energy to be expended to just stay in the area. The correct amount of swell for your location will have rips and washes working to provide cover for the fish but also have places where the water is less disturbed. The areas of 'neutral water' will probably be where the fish will be holding. Try casting into the deeper, calmer places first.

Shore anglers can take a leaf out of the surfer's book and also pay attention to the swell period. This indicates the time between swells and is an excellent indicator of the size and power of a swell. A short swell period indicates a swell that is local in origin and lacks power and size. A long swell period on the other hand suggests a swell that has travelled a long way to reach our shores and has much more size and power. These are the swells that wash people off rocks and drive fish out to sea. Study the swell period even if you don't surf.

Tides are our third factor and depending on the angler they can range from nil importance to arguably the most crucial. Beach anglers generally love a rising tide and for good reason. The flooding tide increases the depth of gutters which gives fish the confidence to move closer to shore. Rockhoppers on the other hand need the safety of a lower tide to be able to approach the edge of their ledges and reach their target species. The reefs I fish at Rottnest Island are best on a mid-tide. Too much water and they become too deep to walk around on safely and too little water and the fishing shuts down. What might be the best tide for fish feeding activity isn't always the best tide for angler access and safety. Again, it takes time to work these location-specific things out. I would generally say for beaches, fish a rising tide and for reef walking fish mid-water. Be extra careful on reefs if you are fishing a run-up tide as it will start getting deeper on the reef during your session. This general rule doesn't by any means delve into much detail but it should maximise your chances of success while keeping you safe.

My final factor in the big four is the moon. There is no doubt even amongst the most conservative anglers that the state of the moon cycle affects the rhythm of life in the oceans. Professional fishers will sometimes avoid heading out altogether on certain moons, choosing instead to repair their gear or service their engines. And these are people who depend on catching for their income. I'll say straight up that I like the period on and just after the new moon. I'm not a lover of the full moon but I won't let that stop me going fishing. The first and second quarters of the moon are neither here nor there for me. I feel the light produced by a big moon probably makes marine creatures seek cover. The emphasis becomes less about feeding and more about avoiding being eaten. The dark nights on and around the new moon possibly have the opposite effect which sees creatures moving around with more confidence.

So ... when should you stay home and when should you go fishing? My approach is to look at the big four factors and aim to get at least three out of four in your favour. If I can achieve three out of four I go. If it looks like four out of four I'll risk divorce to get there!



Members please take note of the Field Day Venues for 2017/18

Month	Venue –	Date / times	Boundaries & misc.
May 2017 27 & 28 th May	Rottnest	Lines down 1:00 pm 27 May Lines up 7:00 pm 28 May	Most go across to Rotto on Fri late afternoon - return Mon am
	Local	di	Floreat to Preston Local Weigh-in at Floreat -
Jun 2017- (LWE 3 to 5 Jun)	Kalbarri – Incl Pt Gregory & Horricks	Lines down 6:00 am 3 Jun Lines up 9:00 am 5 Jun	Use of club house for accom, sign-on and weigh- in, Boundaries Incl north side of river mouth, to Bowes R south of Horricks
	Local -	di	Freemantle Moles to Lancelin Local Weigh-in at Floreat
Jul 2017– 15 th & 16 th Jul	Cape to Cape	Lines down 1:30 pm 15 Jul Lines up 10:00 am 16 Jul	Busselton Jetty to Augusta : Sign-on & Weigh-in at Busselton Jetty: south side Jetty Car park
	Local -	di	Floreat to Cut @ Mandurah Local Weigh-in at Floreat
Aug 2017– 12 & 13 th Jul	Rotto	Lines down 1:00 pm 12 Aug Lines up 7:00 pm 13 Aug,	Most go across to Rotto on Fri late afternoon - return Mon am
	Local -	di	Floreat to Moore River area Local Weigh-in at Floreat
Sep 017 (LWE 23 to 25 Sept)	S Bend Caravan Park	Lines down 6:00 am 23 Sept Lines up 9:00 am 25 Sept	Greenough R mouth to Dongara Marina Wall : Sign-on & Weigh-in at Caravan Park
	Local -	di	Floreat to Lancelin Local Weigh-in at Floreat
Oct 2017 14 & 15 Oct	Cervantes/Jurien	Lines down 1:30 pm 14 Oct Lines up 10:00 am 15 Oct	Green Head to south side of Cervantes Beach: Sign-on & Weigh-in at the car park access to Hill River
	Local -	di	Standard Boundaries Local Weigh-in at Floreat
Nov 2017 11 & 12 Nov	Preston to Floreat	Lines down 1:30 pm 11 Nov Lines up 10:00 am 12 Nov	Preston South beach to Floreat and all between. Sign-on/Weigh-in at Preston Beach Car Park
	Local - Incl in above		Local Weigh-in at Floreat
Dec 2017 16 & 17 Dec -	Floreat to Lancelin	Lines down 1:30 pm 9 Dec Lines up 10:00 am 10 Dec	Sign-on/Weigh-in at Moore River mouth boat launch car park. Local Weigh-in at Floreat
	Local - (incl in above)	di	
Jan 2018 13 & 14 Jan	Swan & Canning Rivers	Lines down 1:30 pm 13 Jan Lines up 10:00 am 14 Jan	All river system up E shed Sign-on/Weigh-in at Point Walter car park
Feb 2018 17 & 18 Feb	Preston to White Hills	Lines down 1:30 pm 17 Feb Lines up 10:00 am 18 Feb	Preston South beach to White Hills Sign- on/Weigh-in at Preston Beach Car Park
	Local - (Std Boundaries)	di	Local Weigh-in at Floreat
Mar 2018 (LWE 3-to 5 Mar)	Bremer Bay	Lines down 6 am Sat 3 Mar Lines up 9:00 am Mon 5 Mar	All local beaches : Sign-on/Weigh-in at Caravan Park
	Local – Floreat to Moore River	di	Local Weigh-in at Floreat
Apr 2018 – (LWE 31 Mar to 2 Apr)	Bluff Creek at Easter	Lines down 6 am 31 Ma Lines up 9:00 am 2 Apr	Boundaries able to drive north and south of creek: Sign-on/Weigh-in at Camp Site adjacent to creek
	Local	di	Floreat incl beaches up to Club Capricorn Local Weigh-in at Floreat