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Presentation Night 2016

Presentation Night Details:
Buffet Dinner including Sweets
Cost \$30.00 per Head
Saturday 23rd July 2016
6:30pm-10:30pm
Croatian Club
18 Wishart Street
Gwelup

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Club Committee for 2015/16

Life Members of the Club

George Holman, Ric Parker, Ian Cook, Bob Henderson, Terry Fuller.

Deceased life members: Vic Davis, Doug Edward, Lloyd Dunn, Dudley Brown, Noel Knight,
Les Shand, Ron Kildahl, Bob Klein, Jim Strong.

June Dry Casting

When Sunday 5 June 2016. Competition casting starts at 8:30am

Where Mirrabooka Regional Open Space.

Fees \$10 per person, \$12 per family.

Events Double handed accuracy, Single handed accuracy, 56 gram distance, Artificial bait distance, 112 gram distance.

<u>Casting order</u>	Seniors, Ladies and Juniors	Veterans
5 June 2016	Distance first, then accuracy	Accuracy first, then distance

June General Meeting

When Wednesday 8 June 2016

Where Coolbinia West Perth Amateur Football and Sporting Club room.

Fishing Field Days General

Local sign on At General meeting or phone Field Day Officer before 8pm on Thursday.

Late sign on 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.

Please SMS the Field Day Organiser at 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.

Club sign off If you have signed on then you must sign off in person at the weigh-in place at the nominated time or by phone (or if not contactable by phone use 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.

Club fees \$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.

FDO Local FDO to be advised at the General meeting.

Fish 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.

Local boundaries 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.

Local weigh in 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. An adult member must witness weights. Field Day money to be left with the scales in an envelope with your name and details written in the carbon copy Field Day book. No money = no points. Results to be phoned to FDO by 8pm the next night.

Fish together 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.

June Committee Meeting

<u>When</u>	Wednesday 15 June 2016, 7:30pm.
<u>Where</u>	Coolbinia West Perth Amateur Football and Sporting Club room.
<u>Visitors</u>	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.

June Field Day – South Preston

<u>When</u>	Saturday/Sunday 11/12 June 2016.
<u>Where</u>	South Preston
<u>Boundaries</u>	South of Preston car park entrance to Meelup
<u>Sign on</u>	Sign on Saturday 11am at Preston car park
<u>Lines in</u>	Saturday 1pm
<u>Lines out</u>	Sunday 10am
<u>Weigh in</u>	Weigh in Sunday 11am at Preston car park

Local Field Day for June

<u>When</u>	Saturday/Sunday 11/12 June 2016.
<u>Lines in</u>	Saturday 1pm
<u>Lines out</u>	Sunday 10am
<u>Weigh in</u>	Sunday 11am
<u>Boundaries</u>	Standard

July Field Day

<u>When</u>	Saturday/Sunday 16/17 July 2016.
<u>Where</u>	North Preston
<u>Boundaries</u>	North of Preston car park entrance to White Hills
<u>Sign on</u>	Sign on Saturday 11am at Miami Bake House
<u>Lines in</u>	Saturday 1pm
<u>Lines out</u>	Sunday 10am
<u>Weigh in</u>	Weigh in Sunday 11am Preston car park

Local Field Day For July

<u>When</u>	Saturday/Sunday 16/17 July 2016
<u>Lines in</u>	Saturday 1pm
<u>Lines out</u>	Sunday 10am
<u>Weigh in</u>	Sunday 11am
<u>Boundaries</u>	Local

Member Applications And Acceptances

The club welcomes the following members who have been accepted:

Vincent Tomazin

Alistair McDonald

Membership Coordinator, Pat McKeown

Club Shirts, Jackets, Hats, Badges and Stickers

Legionnaires cap yellow	\$15		
Bomber jacket waterproof	\$50	Lightweight jacket waterproof	\$45
Polo shirt long sleeved	\$35	Polo shirt short sleeved	\$30
Cloth Club badges	\$4.50	Vehicle stickers Club logo	\$2

Available from committee member Shane Wignell

Bookings for Kalbarri House

See the article on the inside back cover of Reel Talk for rates and more information.

Pets may be allowed by prior arrangement but must stay outside the house.

Please contact Property Officer Eric Parker by phone or email for bookings or more information. Collect keys in Perth before leaving for Kalbarri. Please arrange key pickup in advance. Please return keys within 2 days.

Wanted – Scrap Lead

Any members who would like to donate scrap lead to the club to make sinkers for sale to Club members, please contact Eric Parker.

Please no car batteries, these have too much smell and waste.

Proceeds from the sale of sinkers is donated to the Club.

Dry Casting Report – 1 May 2016

I keep on saying it can only get better but I am starting to eat my words. I thank the four members that did turn up and also thanks to Mark Hansen for his apology.

I don't know what to say? How do I possibly write a report on such dismal attendance?

I am starting to wonder if it is all worthwhile.

Congratulations to Hendo for winning the day and thanks again to the members who did turn up.

Ron Thomas, Dry Casting Officer 2015/16

Dry Casting results - 1st May, 2016

	56 gram				Artificial Bait				112gram			
	Cast	Cast	Total	%	Cast	Cast	Total	%	Cast	Cast	Total	%
<u>Veterans</u>	1	2			1	2			1	2		
A. JONES	108.92	107.29	216.21	84.97%	109.27	107.04	216.31	99.63%	121.41	121.85	243.26	97.46%
B. HENDERSON	126.45	127.99	254.44	100.00%	108.64	108.46	217.10	100.00%	135.99	B/O	135.99	54.48%
P. OSBORNE	97.19	105.62	202.81	79.70%	101.17	98.39	199.56	91.92%	90.18	104.77	194.95	78.10%
K. SCHONWOLF	116.78	127.59	244.37	96.04%	107.9	106.88	214.78	98.93%	128.92	120.67	249.59	100.00%

	Double Handed Accuracy										Single Handed Accuracy						Total	Attendance D/Casting	Total Points
	Target number										Target distance								
	3	3	1	1	4	4	2	2	Total	%	L	S	L	S	Total	%			
A. JONES	12	10	25	23	0	4	9	6	89	65.44%	0	9	0	10	19	59.37%	406.87%	10	416.87
B. HENDERSON	17	19	18	17	18	17	22	8	136	100.00%	4	9	10	9	32	100.00%	454.48%	10	464.48
P. OSBORNE	0	0	21	20	0	0	0	0	41	30.14%	4	6	6	9	25	78.12%	357.98%	10	367.98
K. SCHONWOLF	0	13	12	11	6	0	19	17	78	57.35%	0	9	5	8	22	68.75%	421.07%	10	431.07

HIGHEST CASTS FOR THE YEAR

LONGEST 56 GRAM	127.99M	BOB HENDERSON
LONGEST ARTIFICIAL BAIT	109.27M	ALLAN JONES
LONGEST 112G	135.99M	BOB HENDERSON
HIGHEST DOUBLE HANDED ACCURACY	136	BOB HENDERSON
HIGHEST SINGLE HANDED ACCURACY	32	BOB HENDERSON

Field Day Competition Year: May 2016 to April 2017

The following is the compilation of the venues for the 2016-2017 Field Days

The Committee expectation is that is you will attend the field days you selected..

An agreement was also made to undertake a trial early start at one venue during the year.

I.e. A 6:00 am start on the Saturday for one field day. The selection is to be reviewed and agreed at the prior General Meeting

Month	Dates	VENUE	Boundaries
May 2016	21/22 May	Rottnest	Coastline
	(Split Field day)	Preston	Whitehills to Meelup
		Local - Standard	
June	11/12 June	South Preston	Preston Beach S' to Meelup
		Local - Standard	
July	16/17 July	North Preston	Preston Beach to White Hills
		Local - Standard	
Aug	13/14 Aug	Rottnest	Coastline
	(Split Field day)	Preston	Whitehills to Meelup
		Local - Standard	
Sept	24/25/26 Sep	S-Bend	Dongara to G'ton
		Local - Standard	
Oct	15/16 Oct	Cervantes	Cervantes to Green Head
		Local - Standard	
Nov	12/13 Nov	Cervantes	Black Rock to Hill River
		Local - Standard	
Dec	10/11	Preston	Preston to White Hills
		Local - Standard	
Jan 2017	14/15 Jan	Preston	Preston to White Hills
		Local - Standard	
Feb	11/12 Feb	Moore River/Wedge	River Mouth to 1 km north of Wedge Island
		Local - Standard	
March	4/5/6/ Mar	Reef Beach	Beach area to rocks at east end
		Local - Standard	
April	15/16 Apr (Easter)-	Bluff Creek	Beach area to rocks at east end
		Local - Standard	

Reel Talk Editor – Mark, My Words

It seems that your encouragement for my efforts is ever growing, how can one tire from trying ones best when all I get is such positive feedback.

I have settled into a rhythm with the Reel Talk and this month I even remembered to ask for everyone's reports before the end of May. I must thank all the contributors who gave me all their reports on the same day I asked for them.

Its exciting times ahead, a brand new season has started, a Pat Prize Giving is approaching and we all know that's a hum dinger of an evening, it's only 3 months until we can go to Rotto again and Salmon are still running amok on the coast with Peet Wessels notching up 86 so far this season!

My second trip to Rotto was another steep learning curve experience and this time a YTK fell my attempts, my first, what a fish, more importantly I learned a vital if not life altering lesson on the rock, never again will I ever be without Mark Hansen in my chalet, in fact I have him booked for the next 50 years! That man operates with style!

So looking ahead my job is easy, there should be some excellent stories and catches to keep the pages packed in the months ahead.

I decided to get a bit more serious about the fishing essentials this month and Pat has also weighed in with a list of must have gear that is invaluable at a field day.

On a personal level it's coming up for two years that we the "Nursery" have been in Australia, I have made some really special friends in Surfcasters and our adventures have made my transition such a pleasant one. There are some dark and lonely days in the emigration process, luckily I have real mates just a call away! Thanks Guys!

Mark Nurse, Reel Talk Editor 2015/16

Recorder's Report

Michael Pisano ventured down to Preston beach and managed a nice salmon of 4.5kg just at the very end of the 2015/16 competition year, this has qualified for a Grand Master Entry. Initially Michael's scales showed the salmon at around 6kg but unfortunately they are a little bit out as we tested them during the past week against club scales.

I carried out a line breaking strain test on 25lb for Glen Wong to see if he could qualify for a 2:1 line ratio badge with his recent Long Tail Tuna capture.

Unfortunately as with many brands of mono and braided line it is actually stronger than stated on the box, we managed to break it but at a few kilograms over the required line strength.

I managed to get out for an early morning fish myself and chased some big winter Tailor on poppers, at one of my go to spots, no Tailor were present but I was able to land a nice salmon of 4.7kg, this qualifies for the largest Salmon in the Open comp for the new year, Barron Lure entry and also a Grandmaster entry.

I carried on to a few other spots and managed to find plenty of Tailor, unfortunately not the solid winter fish I was chasing, but what they lacked in size they made up in aggression hitting poppers that in some cases were nearly as big as themselves. The biggest I could manage weighed in at 0.9kg which is a Barron lure competition entry but not big enough to be eligible for the open competition.

After Rotto Glen Wong Vince Tomazin and Morgan Keet have added YTK to their species badge, Morgans catch was a Junior Masters entry.

There are rumours of a new club record that was caught at Rotto but no paperwork has been submitted yet.

Justin Rose, Recorder 2015/16

Property Officers Report

No future bookings have been received for the Kalbarri house.

Eric Parker, Property Officer 2015/16

Social Organisers Report

Nearly time for the Presentation night, things are starting to come together nicely.

Can any member who has not yet returned perpetual trophies to do so by the 9th June 2016 as these are required for awards at the 2016 Presentation Night.

The details are:

Buffet Dinner including Sweets

Cost \$30.00 per Head

Saturday 23rd July 2016

6:30pm-10:30pm

Croatian Club

18 Wishart Street

Gwelup

Suppliers have responded well to our requests for support so please support them they are all listed in the Reel Talk.

Club members have come up and given items to go with the awards on the night thank you so much.

Please remember to pay Victor for the function at the JUNE meeting

Drycasting needs your support, it's there for you all to learn and quiz each other about techniques and answers to how do they cast that far or so straight, you will be shown all the secrets and go home with a smile.

It's not all about how to be champion caster but be able to reach that magic fishing spot.

Rods and reels are available so just come along see you there.

As mentioned at the General Meeting the raffle is going very well with strong support from members.

Thanks Mark Hansen, for the donation of Honey which is keenly sought after.

Thanks Dean for your help at the raffle table. you are the raffle man.

Pat McKeown, Social Organiser 2015/16

Membership Coordinators Report

One of the pleasures of the job is welcoming new members so welcome:-

Alistair McDonald

Vince Tomazin and Family.

They both have been on fishing trips with the club and come up smiling. Ken and his brood have really looked after them.

At the next General meeting another prospective member Paul and son Aiden Dixon are coming along keen as mustard please give them a Surfcasters welcome.

As far as membership enquires go we are going along nicely, gaining and not loosing members, must be all the smiling faces.

Remember if you want to sell or purchase fishing gear advertise it in the magazine or approach me and I will point you in right direction if I can't other members are certainly more than willing to help.

Don't be shy about asking for help or assistance with anything fishing, 4 wheel driving, camping and what to take as we all get into trouble at times but it's how we get out that counts.

I have attached a list to start you off which you can modify to suit your needs.

<u>ESSENTIAL ITEMS</u>	<u>PACKED</u>
WATER BOTTLE	
JOCKS	
SOCKS	
TEE SHIRTS	
TOWELS	
SHORTS	
WET WEATHER GEAR	
BLUE VOLVO JACKET	
WARM TOPS	
CLUB SHIRT AND FISHING SHIRTS	
WASH BAG	
TABLETS	
JEANS	
BEANIE	
HAT	
PHONE AND CHARGER	
CHAIR FISHING	
BOOK	
CAMERA	
SWAG BAG WITH PILLOW	
TORCH	
LONG LIFE MILK	
SUNGLASSES	
READING GLASSES	
ORANGE JACKET INNER AND OUTER	
BATTERIES	
FISHING REELS	
FISHING RODS	
BAIT	
FRIDGE	
RIG BAG	
TACKLE BAG	
LURE BAG	
BED, FOLD UP	
SAND TUBES	
FIRST AID KIT	
GAS STOVE AND BOTTLE	
ESKY WITH ICE	
FROZEN MEALS	
FOOD BOX	
BEER & WINE	

All Essential items for a comfortable trip.

Pat McKeown, Membership Coordinator 2015/16

President's Report for May

Another month gone and I have the editor wanting to know where my report is so I better make a start. It is a busy time in the club's year with the approaching presentation night, start of new competition season and nearing the end of the financial year etc. Fortunately the club has many people putting in the time to make all this happen and I would like to take the opportunity here to thank them. I am sure all members are greatly appreciative of their efforts.

The presentation night planning is moving along well with numbers attending slowly rising. As I have said before this is a great effort considering where we were a couple of months ago. As usual Pat McKeown is methodically working away to ensure the evening will be a success and given his track record I am sure this year will be no different. If you haven't yet committed to attend then please give it some consideration. Enthusiasm is infectious. Several committee members have been working away collating results for this years awards. Thanks to Ron, Peter Osborne and Justin for the not insignificant effort required for this.

Our general meetings have been a delight to chair with members observing etiquette and being involved in discussions. It seems the practice of sending out the previous general meeting's minutes prior to the meeting is working well. Members have the opportunity to read the minutes and consider what issues they wish to raise or question. This is improving the efficiency of the meeting generally allowing more time for the important stuff like upcoming events, field days etc. It also allows more time for general discussion as well as ensuring time for the instruction period. I know when I joined the club I particularly enjoyed the instruction periods. The knowledge base within our club is huge and the benefits to all by tapping in to this is obvious. Last months instruction period, run by Peter Osborne and Mark Hansen, ended up lasting 90 minutes such was the enthusiasm displayed by those attending. It was just how instruction periods should be-knowledgeable speakers with an interactive format. For this month's meeting Mark Hansen will be talking about and demonstrating smoking fish. I am sure many of us have tried in the past with what could only be described as modest results so here is your opportunity to add another string to your culinary bow.

At the committee level there are a few important items on the horizon. Vic Shilo has been working away at reshaping our constitution to ensure compliance with the new Corporations Act. Vic estimates this will be available in a couple of months for members to look at, provide input and eventually vote on. The constitution is at the heart of the club and it is important we get this right. When it comes to discussing this I urge all members to read the documents, consider their content and ask questions if unsure or concerned about any matters. The final vote should be a simple painless process if we do all the necessary work beforehand. Vic also reported on the state of the club's finances. We have had a good few weeks with the Kalbarri property recently with obvious flow on to the bottom line. The property, whilst not the Ritz, is certainly comfortable and could occupy the value for money niche in the holiday rental market in Kalbarri. I would ask members to try promote the property in any legal way they can think off. There are discounts for friends of members available so let them know.

In my previous reports I touched on drycasting attendances and also spoke for a while about the topic at our most recent general meeting. Pat McKeown also spoke. I am pleased to report that I know of a few members who have made the decision to give it a go and I hope many others will follow suit. As I said earlier enthusiasm is infectious.

Shane Wignell, President 2015/16

Field Day Officers Report

May 2016 Field Day - Rottnest

Synopsis

As happened last year at this time, looking at weather forecasts showed terrible conditions (the reality was even worse) and again our thought processes on the way across were a bit on the pessimistic side. Saturday looked really bad but Sunday showed as a significant improvement. The weekend was scheduled to be storms, rain, wind and swell both Saturday and Sunday peaking on Saturday afternoon. Swell was to be extremely large – the late afternoon tide was a low, but with the other conditions there was no way we thought we could get onto the reefs we usually fish. (In particular Radar) As per last year, the thought of a Rotto field day was always an anticipation of catching great fish like Salmon, Yellowtail Kingfish, Skippy, Tailor, misc. species and of course Herring. Unfortunately although no appearance of Salmon and only an odd capture of Skippy and Tailor, it was memorable weekend of fishing as we encountered some fantastic Yellowtail Kingfish action for a short period late Sunday afternoon

The Trip

A team of some 14 SCAC fisherpersons, arrived Friday night, and settled into the four Units at Fays Bay. Peet and Sandra Wessels, Theo Van Niekerk, Shane Wignell, Ian Taggart, Mark Nurse, Brad Zaknich, Sri Srigandan, Glen Wong, Vince Tomazin, Mark Hansen, Greg Keet and son Morgan, and Peter Osborne where Glen and Vince were newcomers to this venue. (We were up to 16 attendees prior to the trip, unfortunately Paul Terpkos and son could not make it.)

Saturday morning the storms rolled in. We heard that all Ferries had been cancelled, hence regular Rotto staff could not get to the island, resulting in a lack of bus drivers. Our Charter Bus had to double as the island tour bus. So 12 or 20 tourists in it had to mingle with scruffy fisherman and all their gear. At 11:00 am we had the bus trip out to West End with quick stop at the bakery to get a hot pie to eat for lunch on the way out. Halfway out the driver passed on a message from the local Ranger – no fishing on the south side of Rotto. We had just about arrived at Radar stop area, when a further message came through from the Ranger – all fishing from Rocks was banned. On looking at the wind, wave action, and level of water there was no disputing it was not just dangerous, but very dangerous.

We decided to return to the beach in front of our accommodation units. Wind was basically behind us and swell/waves broken up by an outer reef. We at least had a fishable location.

Some of us managed to get some Herring on the go. Ian, Brad and I got them biting well by mid-afternoon, Mark H. at the northern end point, using soft plastics, also got them going. Shane and Sri at the southern end of the beach area were not able to get the Herring on the bite.

Mark N, Theo, Peet and Sandra went to the point at the southern end of the beach. They found a bit of gutter/hole which did yield some fish. Between them they landed a few misc. fish including Tailor, Herring, Yellowtail Grunter, Tarwhine, Wrasse, and Theo with a Blue Mowong (one of the demersals). Of note, we were all fishing away trying to apply our best skills and knowledge to get quality quantity and different species, when one of the storms started with a bit of light rain then turned to a hail storm. Only peas size hail stones, but did they come down in volume.

Most of us retired well before dark, but a few (Peet and Sandra) stayed on the try and increase their catch. With the upmarket Accommodation units we were able to relax in comfort and watch the footie on TV.

On waking on Sunday morning initially we had reasonable weather, but we knew the forecast was the storms were going to continue, but not as severe as Saturday. We had the bus pick us up at 11:30 am and again to the bakery.

Ian and Brad decided to stay behind and fish the Fays Bay area. They again found Herring. For the rest of us on going out we could see that while the big swell continued and the wind was picking up from the SW, it was nowhere near as bad as Saturday. Arriving at West End the Tennis Court looked fishable. Of course Radar reef was unfishable but this reef reduced the swells coming through into the area we were fishing. It is to be noted that during the afternoon, a few swells did come through and those on the lower rocks had some lift up over their standing positions.

With the exception of a reasonable Skippy caught by Mark N for most of the afternoon the action was very quiet. A few Herring and Wrasse came in but at 4:40 pm it all started to happen. As it was so quiet for most of the afternoon a few anglers started to make noises that we should call the bus to come back early and we all go back to the accommodation units. When Peter O hauled in a small but size Yellowtail everyone's interest lifted by 1000%. Yep, within minutes of that first fish, hook-ups and bust-offs were being experienced by all. With a bit of reef that became nearly exposed between swells if the fish dug in they could get line well and truly snagged. The trick was, when line snagged by one of these cunning fish, to let the line loose and when the fish swam out was to wait until a swell put water over this reef and then hit the fish hard to lift it up onto the shallow water and with a bit more effort, skill, and luck the fish will end up on the rocks at your feet.

As noted above, conditions were hard to land the fish and the action only lasted about 40 minutes, resulting in 3 of us getting the bag limit of three (in fact Mark N went into a catch and release mode), others got twos or ones and a couple with nil. Great to see young Morgan show his dad how to hook and land a Yellowtail Kingfish.

Shane had a malfunction on his new Alvey reel (Drag setting adjustment locked up) just when he needed this outfit. While he hooked fish he was not able to get them out of the reefs.

Our Newbies got a good taste of the action – Glen got one, and Vince got two size, he had to return a third – talk about smiles - we now have some new Rotto converts.

Mark ended up 5 species and 3 Yellowtail (catch and release) with the bag that scored the highest points. Peet had the second highest points score but ended up with the heaviest bag and the heaviest fish. Theo had a good bag with 7 species and the third highest point score. Peter O while having both the second heaviest bag and the second heaviest fish but only two species ended up in for the fourth position in the point score ladder

Sandra had a reasonable good mixed bag of 5 species including 2 Yellowtail, she did land a Dhufish unfortunately it was a couple of centimetres undersize so she returned it quickly. With our new system of scoring, Sandra was in the fifth position for the weekend.

Some key statistics

(See below for results tabulation)

Heaviest fish –

1 – Peet W	Salmon	3.45 kg (gilled and gutted)
2 – Peter O	Salmon	3.28 kg
3 – Sri	Salmon	2.70 kg

Heaviest bag

1 – Peet W	Mixed	10.21 kg
2 – Peter O	Mixed	9.62 kg
3 – Mark N	Mixed	9.33 kg

Most Species

1 – Theo	7
2 – Mark N and Sandra W	5
3 – Peet W	4

Unusual Fish

Theo	Blue Morwong	0.83 kg
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Local

Due to severe weather conditions, only three Surfcasters ventured out to fish locally.

Conditions were waves breaking a long way out and lots of weed or dirty water

George Holman tried the local marinas and beaches on Saturday and after soaking various baits only managed a couple of Herring

Gary Parkinson and Martin Wearmouth tried Cockburn Sound and the Freemantle Moles with absolutely zero result.

Afterthoughts

SCAC has a Rotto field day again scheduled for August, if you are looking for a fishing experience of a lifetime this venue gives a high probability of achieving this goal

As the accommodation and bus have to be booked well in advance, for the June general meeting would like to get an idea of who is going. We will require a final commitment and payment of the accommodation and bus costs at the July General meeting...

PS

Historically we have had greater success on fish captures in August when compared to May

Tight lines

Peter Osborne, Field Day Officer, 2015/16

Sportsperson of the year sections for May			
Section	Angler	Species	Weight
Best scale fish	Peet Wessels	Yellowtail Kingfish	3.45
Best bag of scale fish	Peet Wessels	Mixed bag	10.21
Best shark			
Best bag including sharks			
Field day prizes for May			
Section	Angler	Species	Weight
Best scale fish	Peet Wessels	Yellowtail Kingfish	3.45
Best bag of scale fish	Peter Osborne	Mixed bag	9.62
Best shark			
Best bag including sharks			

ANGLER		Species Tailor	Species Herring, Australian	Species Skipjack Trevally	Species Yellowtail Kingfish	Species Yellowtail Grunter 1 only	Species Wrasse (all species) 1 only	Species Western Rock Blackfish	Species Morwong 2 only	Species Tarwhine	Total weight	No. of Species	No. of fish	F.D. points	Attendance			Total points	Percentage Points
															Field Day	Local	General Meeting		
Mark Nurse	Number		12	3	3		1	1											
	Total weight		1.61	0.96	6.49		0.24	0.27			9.57	5	20	145.7	1		1	185.7	100
	Weight of best			0.32	2.32														
Peet Wessels	Number	1	12		3	1													
	Total weight	0.85	1.85		7.32	0.19					10.21	4	17	142.1	1		1	179.1	96.5
	Weight of best				3.45														
Theo Van Niekerk	Number	1	5		1	1	1		1	3									
	Total weight	0.31	0.81		2.59	0.20	0.32		0.83	0.81	5.87	7	13	128.7	1			151.7	81.7
	Weight of best																		
Peter Osborne	Number		12		3														
	Total weight		1.75		7.87						9.62	2	15	116.2	1		1	151.2	81.4
	Weight of best				3.28														
Sandra Wessels	Number		12		2	1	1			1									
	Total weight		1.61		3.15	0.16	0.11			0.33	5.36	5	17	103.6	1		1	140.6	75.7
	Weight of best				1.67														
Sri Srigandan	Number		1		2														
	Total weight		0.17		4.25						4.42	2	3	64.2	1		1	87.2	47.0
	Weight of best				2.70														
Mark Hansen	Number		12				1												
	Total weight		1.68				0.28				1.96	2	13	39.6	1		1	72.6	39.1
	Weight of best																		
Morgan Keet	Number		7		1														
	Total weight		0.76		2.14						2.90	2	8	49.0	1			67.0	36.1
	Weight of best																		
Vinoent Tomazin	Number				2														
	Total weight				3.15						3.15	1	2	41.5	1		1	63.5	34.2
	Weight of best				1.94														
Glen Wong	Number				1														
	Total weight				1.98						1.98	1	1	29.8	1		1	50.8	27.4
	Weight of best																		
Shane Wignell	Number		3				1												
	Total weight		0.36				0.24				0.60	2	4	26.0	1		1	50.0	26.9
	Weight of best																		
Brad Zaknich	Number		12																
	Total weight		1.61								1.61	1	12	26.1	1			48.1	25.9
	Weight of best																		
Greg Keet	Number	1	4																
	Total weight	0.37	0.48								0.85	2	5	28.5	1			43.5	23.4
	Weight of best																		
Ian Taggart	Number		10																
	Total weight		1.23								1.23	1	10	22.3	1			42.3	22.8
	Weight of best																		
George Holman	Number		2																
	Total weight		0.31								0.31	1	2	13.1		1		25.1	13.5
	Weight of best																		
Martin Wearmouth	Number	0																	
	Total weight	0.00														1	1	20.0	10.8
	Weight of best																		
Gary Parkinson	Number	0																	
	Total weight	0.00														1	1	20.0	10.8
	Weight of best																		

Thanks to Sandra for the Pictures!













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Open fishing competition 2016/17

The Open Competition is for fish caught between 1 May 2015 and 30 April 2016, other than on Club gazetted Field days, but not in any other AAA affiliated club event on the same dates. Entries for the Open competition close **30 days after capture**. See Competition Rules Section 4.

Section	For	Minimum weight	Entry
1	Most meritorious capture	None	To be awarded by Committee
2	Best shark	4.5 kg	
3	Best mulloway	5 kg	
4	Best salmon	3.5kg	Justin Rose, 4.7 Kg, Wilbinga, May 2016
5	Best flathead	0.5 kg	
6	Best tailor	1.5 kg	
7	Best samson fish	5 kg	
8	Best fish on single handed rod maximum 4kg line class	Legal size	
9	Best pink snapper	2 kg	
10	Best tarwhine	0.5 kg	
11	Best mackerel	4 kg	
12	Best skipjack trevally (southern)	1 kg	
13	Best trevally (northern)	2 kg	
14	Best snook or pike	0.5 kg	
15	Best black or yellow finned bream	0.6 kg	
16	Best scale fish other than sections 3-15	2 kg	
17	Best fish caught on fly rod.	Legal size	
18	Best fish caught using a soft plastic or hard body lure on a single handed rod (4kg line max.)	Legal size	

Barron Lure Competition 2015/2016

The Barron Lure competition is sponsored by Eric Parker, who donates the trophies. Try Eric's Poppers, you will not be disappointed.

The rules for this competition are the same as for the clubs open fishing competition, plus the fish must be caught on a popper lure and a single fish cannot win more than one Barron lure section

Heaviest Tailor on lure Justin Rose 0.9 kg, Wilbinga, 6/5/2016

Heaviest Salmon on Lure Justin Rose 4.7 kg, Wilbinga, 6/5/2016

Heaviest Scale fish on lure No Entry

Justin Rose, Recorder 2015/16

Recipes – A Simple Quick and Inexpensive Curry

Thanks to John Curtis

Ingredients:

1 can of either mild or hot Singapore ready mixed curry.

1 can of sliced mangoes

Fish of any kind. (Sufficient for actual requirements.)

Rice or noodles

Method:

Heat the curry mixture in a large frying pan. Add the mangoes with half the juice, and bring to the simmer. Thin further with mango juice if needed. Add raw fish pieces and simmer until cooked - takes about 10 minutes.

Cook rice or noodles, drain and serve placing curry mix on top of a bed of rice or noodles. Garnish with coriander sprig.



Field Day Essentials - Not Registered on Network

We live in a constantly connected world, email, cell phones and the web keep us up to date with news and friends around the globe, sometimes we feel too connected, so let me clarify when I say essential, I mean essential to me, this months topic is hotly debateable as to wether we like to be out of cell range or it is essential to get news from home.

For me I'm constantly worrying that when I finally get signal heaven forbid I will hear news that I should have rushed home to deal with.

I have been looking for a while now how to get signal on beaches we fish, well signal from the comfort of the car, climbing dunes seems to work sometimes but it's not a guarantee.

I was also realistic, I know you cannot boost cell signal if there is none but it always seems so close, signal is just over the next hill or dune yet where I fish from is a cell dead zone.

Satellite phones seemed like a good option but in reality for what I needed they are overkill, I then found a satellite cradle which will turn your smart phone into a sat phone, on the pricey side at \$800 for the cradle and a monthly contract needed but I was about to get one when I found a shop in Osborne Park, Access Antennas.

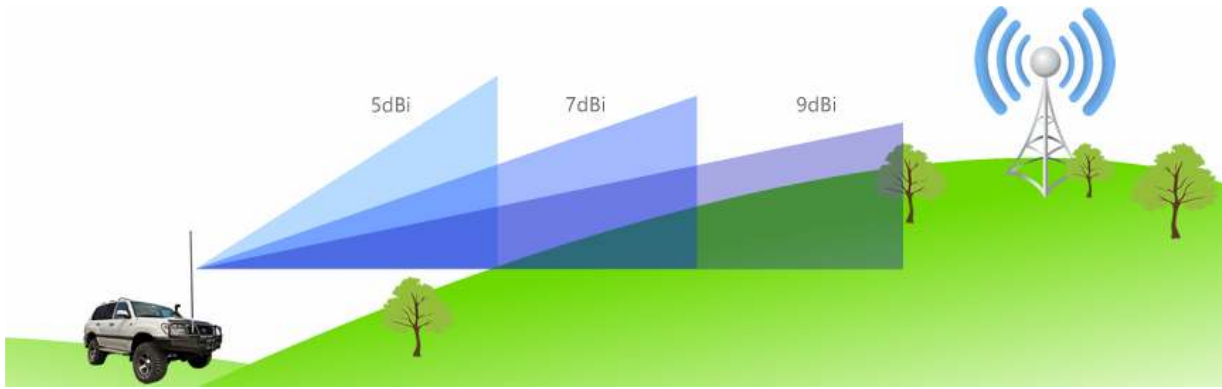
They seemed very knowledgeable and promised a take it all back if it doesn't work offer, at a total of just over \$200 for their solution I was in.

I got the Samsung Galaxy S5 Smooth Talker cradle (various phone model cradles available) with charging and aerial connectors and an axis 7 to 9DB gain 4G aerial.



They explained dbi to me, from the gain factor G, one finds the gain in decibels as: Therefore, an antenna with a peak power gain of 5 would be said to have a gain of 7 dBi. "dBi" is used rather than just "dB" to emphasize that this is the gain according to the basic definition, in which the antenna is compared to an isotropic radiator.

I looked confused so they said 3dbi searches for signal in a very high but short cone and 10 goes flat but far, 7dbi is a great all round gain for an area like Preston, it goes high and far and 9dbi will come in handy for areas like Bluff Creek, this aerial is able to scan between 7 and 9dbi



This will not miraculously create a cell signal, it gives your phone a connection via the cradle to the 4G aerial on the bulbar, essentially turning the tiny cell antenna in the phone into a super antenna.

Installation took around an hour, the most difficult part was getting the aerial cable through the car cab wall, that darn little cable boot is a tough sucker, the rest is basic, it comes with a suction cup for the cradle so no screws needed.

Now for a field test, I traveled down to Preston armed with my Galaxy S5 and an Optus and a Telstra SIM card, Optus worked well and I had constant signal all along the beach but when I tried making a call in some areas I got the dreaded not registered on network error, basically it's picking up a Telstra tower but Optus chose not to rent that specific tower, it's why I drove 100km to make a phone call at Bluff Creek trying to find a tower that Optus rents and why Optus and I are no longer friends.

Popping in the Telstra card I got full 4g signal for the entire length of Preston beach, I was so excited I posted on Facebook from the beach, made a phone call and checked the tides on the web.

The whole setup really works.

Rod Bent, SCAC Member 2015/16

Catch Of The Day

Michael with what is surely the first of many Salmon he will capture, he caught this beauty of 4.5kg at Preston Beach.



Kalbarri House For Rent

The Club owns a house in Kalbarri which is ideal for a fishing holiday in the area. Access to the famous fishing spots at Wagoe, Lucky Bay, Port Gregory, etc is just a short drive away via the main bitumen road.

The Mallard Street house has easy access to the river, beaches and town. It has two reverse cycle air conditioners to keep you cool in the summer months and warm in winter. It has two bedrooms and will sleep up to eight (max) in 1 queen sized bed and 3 commercial grade 2 level bunks. The bathroom and shower were rebuilt in 2012.

Users need to bring their own linen, blankets and towels, tea towels, etc. It has a high definition LCD television, DVD/VCR, stove, oven, microwave, crockery and cutlery and all cooking utensils, washing machine, food fridge/freezer and an extra chest freezer for bait and fish.

Outside has a built in gas barbecue, a fish cleaning facility and a full width verandah. There is plenty of fenced parking space for cars, trailers and boats behind a gate. Pets may be allowed by prior arrangement but must stay outside the house. Rates are:

Off season	Short term (min 2 nights)	\$100 per night	\$100 bond
On season	Short term (min 2 nights)	\$120 per night	\$100 bond
	Weekly rates	6 times daily rate as above	

Surf Casting and Angling Club members

Off season	\$300 per week	On season	\$400 per week	} \$100 deposit/bond plus \$80 cleaning (updated December)
Short term	\$80 one night	\$70 per night	(two or more nights)	

Winter/early spring discount special. A **discount of 20%** on the rates applies for all public bookings for stays during the months of July, August and September.

Members of clubs affiliated with the Australian Anglers Association WA Division, **and friends of members** of the Surf Casting and Angling Club receive a **20% discount** on the normal public rates.

See inside the latest Reel Talk for dates already booked. Contact Eric Parker for more details and for bookings, or email the Club surfcast@inet.net.au Collect keys in Perth before leaving for Kalbarri. Check in time is 2pm. Check out time is 10am. There are 20 photos on the Club website www.surfcasters.inet.net.au/KalbarriHouse.html

If any work needs to be done in, on or around the house, please contact the Club for approval.

Eric Parker, Property Officer



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