

REEL TALK

March 2021



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New meeting venue*

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President's Report - March 2021

Our next club meeting will be held at the Croatian Club on Wednesday 10th March at 7.00pm, it will have a meal served as a trial of this new location and all costs will be paid for by the club, please try to attend and make it a great social night too.

We still have a couple of vacancies for the Dirk Hartog safari in July, if you are interested please contact Vince or me.

At the next meeting we need to vote on the fishing field days for next season so please let me know if you have any places you would like to fish ASAP?

I would like to see as many people as possible fishing so please participate in choosing the venues if you plan to go fishing.

Martin Wearmouth; President

March General Meeting

A reminder to all members that the March General Meeting will be held on:

Wednesday 10th of March 2021 at the Croatian Club in Wishart Street Gwelup commencing at 7.00PM.

A meal will be served at 7:00PM and the March General Meeting will commence at 8:00PM.

To encourage members to make this a social event there will be an excellent meal of crumbed chicken schnitzel, battered fish, roast potatoes & salad served at 7:00pm.

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Field Day Venues For 2020/2021		
Dates	Venue	Boundaries
3 April – 5 April 2021 Easter Long weekend	Bluff Creek and standard local Lines down 6 am Saturday Lines up 9 am Monday	Cheyne 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 6.00 am Lines up for long weekends and Rottnest – Monday 9.00 am Lines Down on Standard weekends – Saturday 9.00 am Lines up on Standard weekends – Sunday 9.00 am Sign-on / Weigh-in times; Where possible please fish together; Spots and locations are to be decided at the General Meeting prior to the Field Day		

Field day venues for 2021/2022

Dates	Venue	Boundaries
15 -17 May 2021	Rottnest Island and Open Local Lines down 6am Saturday Lines up 9am Monday	Rottnest and Open anywhere in WA
12 - 13 June 2021	Open Lines down 9.00am Saturday Lines up 9am Sunday	Open anywhere in WA
17 - 19 July 2021 Long weekend due to safari	Open Lines down 6am Saturday Lines up 9am Monday	Open anywhere in WA
16 - 26 July 2021 Dirk Hartog Island and Steep Point safari	Dirk Hartog Island safari 2 fishing days to be chosen by traveling group once on the island	All of Dirk Hartog Island and Steep Point Shelter bay area
28 - 30 August 2021	Rottnest Island and Open Local Lines down 6am Saturday Lines up 9am Monday	Rottnest and Open anywhere in WA
25 - 27 September 2021 Long Weekend	Geraldton to Kalbarri Lines down 6am Saturday Lines up 9am Monday	Geraldton to Kalbarri and local as below at bottom of page
16 - 17 October 2021	Dunsborough to White Hills Lines down 9.00am Saturday Lines up 9am Sunday	Dunsborough to White Hills and local as below at bottom of page
13 - 14 November 2021	Cervantes to Leeman Lines down 9.00am Saturday Lines up 9am Sunday	Cervantes to Leeman and local as below at bottom of page
11 - 12 December 2021	Lancelin to Jurien Bay Lines down 9.00am Saturday Lines up 9am Sunday	Lancelin to Greenhead and local as below at bottom of page
15 – 16 January 2022	Open Lines down 9.00am Saturday Lines up 9am Sunday	Open anywhere in WA
12 - 13 February 2022	Dunsborough to White Hills Lines down 9.00am Saturday Lines up 9am Sunday	Dunsborough to White Hills and local as below at bottom of page
5 - 7 March 2022 Long Weekend	Bremer Bay area Lines down 6am Saturday Lines up 9am Monday	Albany to Bremer Bay and local as below at bottom of page
16 April – 18 April 2022 Easter Long weekend	Bluff Creek and standard local Lines down 6am Saturday Lines up 9am Monday	Albany to Bremer Bay and local as below at bottom of page
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SCAC Meeting dates for 2021

March: Wednesday 10th
 April: Wednesday 14th
 May: Wednesday 12th

Surf Casters Dirk Hartog safari July 2021

Dates: Friday 16/7/2021 to Sunday 25/7/2021

That includes 2 days traveling and 8 days on the island, staying at the block and Urchin Point.

Please contact Vince Tomazin if you are interested in going



Trip details as follows

- 16/7/2021 Drive from Perth to Shelter Bay, Shark Bay and camp overnight.
- 17/7/2021 - 7.30am - Barge picks up vehicles and transport to DHI. Drive north to The Block and Urchin point, unpack and fish for 8 days
- 25/7/2021 - Pack up drive south to pick up point by the barge and camp overnight. More fishing (if you feel like it)
- 26/7/2021 - 7.30am Barge picks up vehicles and transports to shelter bay. Drive to Perth.
- 1. Camping Fees - \$20/night per person.
- 2. Barge fees - average of \$665 per vehicle. To DHI and back to mainland and a one of fee of \$35 per person
- Average cost/person for 10 nights camping (8 nights on The Block) is
- Camping 10 x \$20 = \$200,
- Approx cost if 2 people per car is \$550.00 ea plus fuel, food and bait.

Contact Vince Tomazin for further details. Ph 0417 910 531, Email: stptax@gmail.com

Preston Beach Fishing – February 2021

I can only describe the weekend as a Great and Memorable family weekend!

Sandra and I were very happy to have had all our kids and grandkids together with us on the beach. My eldest son David and I were the only one's fishing, while the rest were just in a mood for chilling and enjoying themselves.

We all met up at the new Ampol Service station just out of Mandurah on the Forrest Freeway and arrived at Preston car park around 1:30 pm. After deflating the tyres to the standard 15 psi, we decided to go left in a southerly direction.

There were a lot of people on the beach, and a couple of kilometres down the beach, we finally found a big enough spot where we could all fit in comfortably.

Setting up a proper camp for so many, with shower and toilet facilities was no mean task. But with many hands and eager bodies we were soon ready for some good times on the beach.

David and I started to fish with the standard Surfcasters beach rig. From the first casts, we started to get some good bites and soon there was a constant flow of Herring coming in. I managed to catch a Flounder in between all the Herring. Soon the Blowfish discovered us, and we retired from fishing, waiting for the "magic hour". Around 6 pm we started fishing again, this time our baits were stripped by small Tarwhine and Blue swimmer crabs.



We continued trying for Tailor and just after 7 pm the first Tailor was flapping on the beach. The Tailor kept on biting ferociously, but this hot bite was also short lived and by 8 pm we retired from fishing for a good night of family fun and togetherness.



Being the first night of the waxing moon it was very dark and with clear skies the stars were bright and clear. A lot of stargazing was done, and by using the Skyview app on our phones, it was made so much more interesting.

Around midnight our camp fell silent and soon everyone was in dreamland.

Sunday morning arrived bright and sunny with very little wind. The perfect opportunity to try out AJ, my youngest son's new paddle board. While everybody tried the new board out, I was trying to fish. First cast and I was tight with a Tailor. Next cast and a Herring was on. Then the fishing died down completely, most probably due to the commotion going on in the water in front of me with the new toy.

I retired from fishing and soon had my turn on the board. Great fun! Goes to show - You are never too old to try new things! :) :)





Around 10 am we packed up and soon afterwards left for the car park where we inflated our tyres and said goodbye to each other.

Tight lines and hope to meet up with some of you on our next fishing adventure.

Peet Wessels

Surf Casters February 2021 fishing report by Martin Wearmouth



Due to the COVID-19 restrictions and some commitments I had on our field day weekend I decided to try fishing at the Floreat drain, I left home at 3pm and picked up Gary on the way, we parked at the track just south before the drain car park and walked down to the beach to check out the water, the beach was wide and had some nice clean water and no sea weed so we walked back to the car to get the fishing gear.

As we were setting up Alan Green arrived and set up next to us, first cast I caught a puffer fish, Stuart arrived a bit later and the 4 of us fished with not much luck or many bites, the baits where getting stripped pretty quick so the pickers must have been thick out there, there was a lot of kite surfers coming done the beach with a nice 20-25km SW wind blowing, most kept out clear of our lines but I had 1 come through and take the line, She stopped and managed to clear my line by stepping over it, after retrieving her board and saying sorry off she went again.

The conditions where good the sun was shining and the wind was manageable, best of all we had no sea weed it has been a while since I have fished a field day without sea weed, as the sun set we all hoped for a few Tailor to come through but sadly this was not to be I got 2 small tarwhine and Gary got 1, Alan caught a good size herring just as the sun disappeared, Gary and I also managed a herring just on dark but that was all the 4 of us managed to catch.

Geoff Raftis fished the north side of the drain and did a lot better, he managed 2 Skippy and 3 herring but after fishing from 4pm all got caught around 7pm sunset time, he did have his line taken by a Jet Ski that came down the coast right on the beach, the rider got caught in the line but managed to free the line by leaning back to let the line go free.

Mark Hansen fished for a couple of hours late Saturday arvo at South mole catching and releasing 1 wrasse and a couple of blowies.

So not a great result but with the weather we had and lockdown finishing it was great to be on the beach, Metro fishing seems to have suffered during the last few years, I had not fished the metro area for about 12 months and was hoping for a few more fish than we got.



Gary with face mask and a herring



Geoff's fish

ANGLER		Species Herring Australian	Species Tailor	Species Flounder (all species)	Species Trevally Silver Skippy	Species Wrasse (all species) 1 only	Total weight	No. of Species	No. of fish	F.D. points	Attendance Field Day	General Meeting	Total points
Peet Wessels	Number	12	7	1									
	Total weight	1.80	3.65	0.30						107.5	1		117.5
	Weight of best												
Geoff Raitis	Number	3			2								
	Total weight	0.45			0.80					37.5	1		47.5
	Weight of best												
Mark Hansen	Number					1							
	Total weight					0.20				13.0	1		23.0
	Weight of best												
Alan Green	Number	1											
	Total weight	0.17								12.7	1		22.7
	Weight of best												
Gary Parkinson	Number	1											
	Total weight	0.14								12.4	1		22.4
	Weight of best												
Martin Wearmouth	Number	1											
	Total weight	0.14								12.4	1		22.4
	Weight of best												
Stuart Waterman	Number												
	Total weight										1		10.0
	Weight of best												

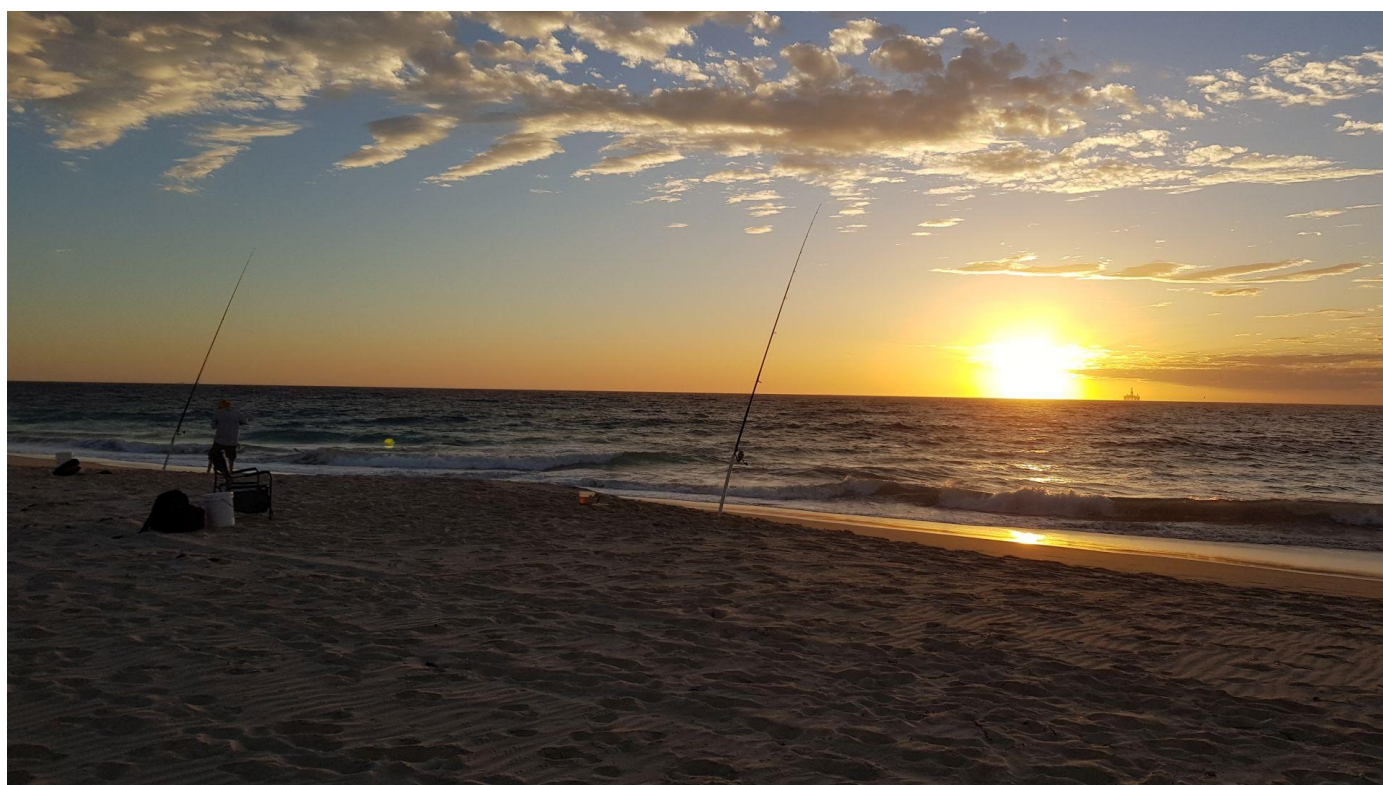
Field day prizes for February			
Section	Angler	Species	Weight
Best scale fish			
Best bag of scale fish		Peet Wessels	5.75
Best shark			
Best bag including sharks			

Top scores up to February		
Rank	Angler	Total points
1	Martin Wearmouth	1655.8
2	Peet Wessels	1357.8
3	Ron Thomas	1085.8
4	Mark Hansen	850.6
5	Sandra Wessels	781.9
6	Vince Tornazin	735.7
7	Stuart Waterman	370.5
8	Gary Parkinson	320.9
9	Theo Van Niekerk	302.4
10	Shane Wignell	301.7
11	Sabby Pizzolante	224.4
12	Peter Osborne	179.0
13	George Matakis	166.4
14	Steve Harrison	163.0
15	Brad Zaknich (visitor)	161.2
16	Chris Stickells	152.2
17	Alan Green	67.2
18	David Wilding	59.0
19	Geoff Raitis	47.5
20	Oliver Wessels	39.3
21	David Trainer	30.0
22	Trinity Wessels	29.0
23	Logan Wessels	21.8
24	Sri Srigandan	20.0
25	Grace Wessels	10.0
26	Ian Taggart	10.0

Open fishing competition 2020/21

The Open Competition is for fish caught between 1 May 2020 and 30 April 2021, 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 mullet	5 kg	
4	Best salmon	3.5kg	Peet Wessels, 6kg Reef Beach 1/6/20
5	Best flathead	0.5 kg	
6	Best tailor	1.5 kg	Geoff Raftis, 2kg Jurien 6/2/21 *est
7	Best samson fish	5 kg	
8	Best fish on single handed rod maximum 4kg line class (Bait)	Legal size	
9	Best pink snapper	2 kg	Justin Rose, 4.5kg DHI 15/12/20
10	Best tarwhine	0.5 kg	Martin Wearmouth 0.77kg S-Bend 30/12/20
11	Best mackerel	4 kg	Justin Rose, 16kg DHI 14/12/20
12	Best skipjack trevally (southern)	1 kg	
13	Best trevally (northern)	2 kg	Justin Rose, 2kg (gold spot) DHI 14/12/20
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	Justin Rose, Bald Chin Groper, 4kg DHI 13/12/20
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	



Recorder Report

Hi everyone apologies it's been a while in between reports life and work have been in the way.

Starting with the Open Competition Martin made I suppose what can be considered a rare capture at times with a decent sized Tarwhine 0.77Kg on a trip to S bend just before new year.



Geoff Raftis was up at one of his regular haunts Jurien, by the looks of the photos he was getting into some nice Tailor with the standout being a fish of 2kg, well done Geoff.

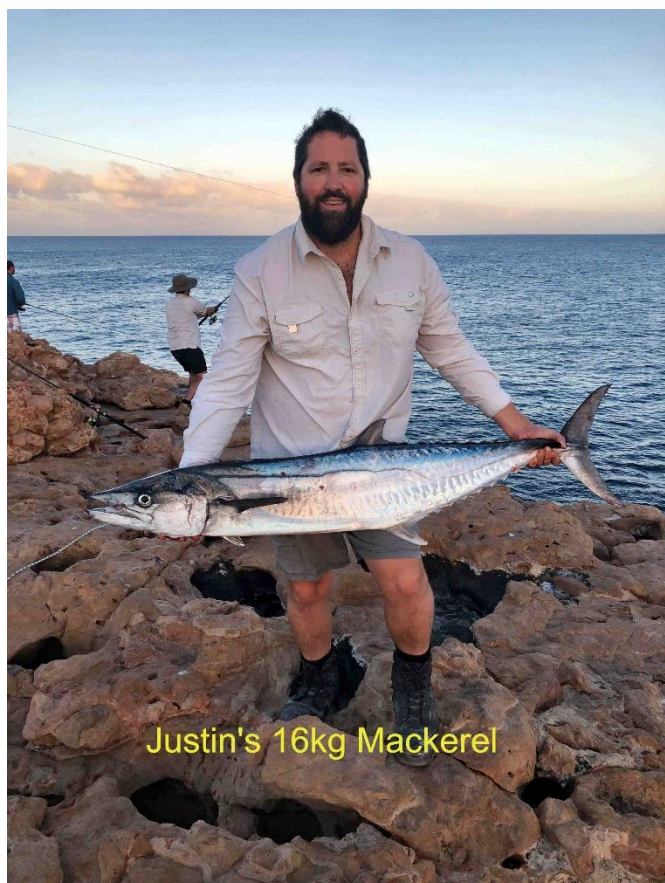
Peet Wessels had us reaching for the fish books with a rare catch of a brassy Drummer at the Bowes River mouth near Horrocks.

I had a trip up to Dirk Hartog Island just prior to Christmas and the Mackerel fishing was hectic for the first couple of days. At times we had triple hook-ups as every lure in the water was hit, my biggest Mackerel of the trip was 16kg before the bite shut down completely and the wind was getting over 30knots some days.

The Block was devoid of bottom fish with the only capture of anything decent there was my biggest Baldy of the trip at 4kg. There were bottom fish available at more remote locations where we caught all sorts of snapper, Baldchin Groper, Rankin Cod etc.

My biggest Pink Snapper weighed in at 4.5kg and I also picked up a Gold Spot Trevally that was just eligible for the open comp.

I might point out that as soon as Vince Tomazin set foot on the island the wind started blowing and the Mackerel vanished, surely this was just a coincidence.



Justin Rose
Recorder

John Curtis's Friday Night Fishing Session

To be held on March 5

Our next session is on for this Friday night March 5th, at 7:30.
Jason Warr and John Devitt will be talking about reel repairs.

Both have a wealth of knowledge about the subject and are happy to share.
Bring a reel, along with suitable tools to strip, clean and re-assemble so you have no spare parts left at the end.

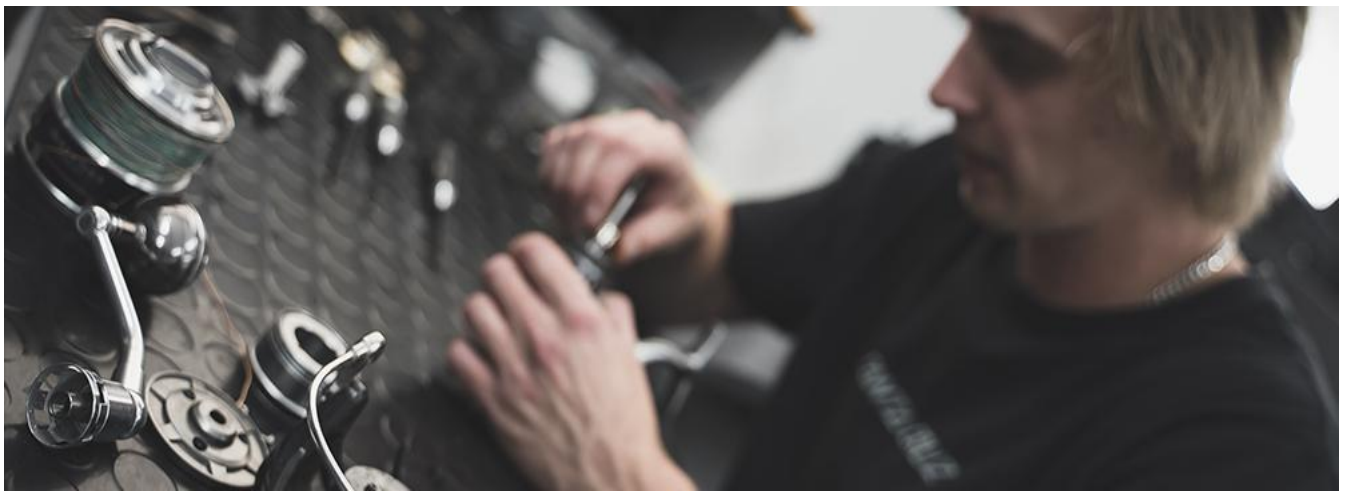
John will also share his knowledge of lubrication and what greases and oils are suitable for reels.
Please contact John Curtis if you are coming so that he can arrange catering.

This is a great opportunity to expand your knowledge and look after your gear.

John Curtis

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