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The venue and date for the 2016 Presentation night will be advertised here when these are known.

Please consider making donations towards our Presentation night and prizes for winners of our fishing and dry casting competitions during 2015/16.

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Wanted: Social Organiser for 2015/16.

Please contact the President or Secretary.



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Justin Rose

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Note 3. The Public Officer, Website Editor, AAWA Delegates and Membership Coordinator are Committee functions and jobs, not extra Committee positions.

Note 4. The Immediate Past President (IPP) is a consequential fact. It is not a Committee position elected by the members or filled by Committee resolution, as are all other Committee positions and functions.

Life Members of the Club

Jim Strong, 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.

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Bring a friend to a Club activity

Please bring a friend, a relative, a workmate, neighbour or an acquaintance to a General meeting, to Dry Casting or to a Club fishing Field day. Let them know what the Club does, and let them find out for themselves some of the benefits of being a club member, particularly getting all those fishing and casting tips from experienced club members.

Show them your copy of Reel Talk and let them know there is a lot more about the club on the Club website <http://www.surfcasters.iinet.net.au/>



October Dry casting. Date and Venue changed!!

When Sunday 11 October 2015. **Note** Not the usual first Sunday of the month.

Where **Change of Venue. Mirrabooka Regional Open Space, southern end.**

See dry casting details on page 7, and reason for the changes on pages 21 and 22.

Minutes of General Meeting 9 September 2015

Venue Coolbinia West Perth Amateur Football and Sporting Club room.
Commenced 7:33pm. President George Holman presiding.

Present George Belin, Terry Fuller, Gary Gildersleeves, Mark Hanson, George Holman, Ken Howells, Allan Jones, Pat McKeown, Mark Nurse, Peter Osborne, Eric Parker, Gary Parkinson, Michael Pisano, Justin Rose, Victor Schilo, Klaus Schönwolf, Ron Thomas, Martin Wearmouth, Shane Wignell, Glen Wong

Apologies Mal Head, David Maxted, Slavka Schilo, Eddie & Debbie Korin, Ray Walker, Dean Stewart, Peter Butland.

Visitors: None

New member: None

Minutes of previous meeting Moved Shane Wignell seconded Gary Gildersleeves the minutes of the previous meeting as published in Reel Talk are a true record, carried.

Minutes or Main Points of Committee Meeting: Action points from the minutes of the previous Committee meeting were reviewed:

Purchase of Weighing Scales (in hand).

The need for a Social Organiser to take over from Pat McKeon position (we need to have a Functioning Organizer with a committee to assist him, Shane Wignell is looking after the sales of Tea Shirts etc and Michael Pisano is looking after the refreshments and drinks including the storage of some of the club equipment).

The purchase of laser printer to print in house the Reel Talk magazine (in hand),

Correspondence:

Correspondence In

1. AAA Delegate Council Meeting Minutes 18 August 2015.
2. AAA AGM Minutes 18 August 2015,
3. AAA Notice of Winners and Invitation to Annual Awards and Presentation Night 15 Sept 2015
4. AAA Award Invites to Morgan & Olivia Keet (SCA to forward on)
5. Western Power Re Power Outage 5th Sept 2015
6. Western Power Re Power Outage 9th Sept 2015
7. City of Sterling Ground Allocation 4Sept 2015 with tax invoice (Mirrabooka Regional Open Space) (Email)
8. Department of Sport and Recreation News Letter (Email)
9. City of Sterling Mirrabooka Ground Allocation and map (Email)
10. Roweena Rodriguez re Son joining Club
11. AAA requesting the use of Laser measuring device.

Correspondence out

1. Award Night Presentation and Invite to Greg Keet (For Olivia and Morgan).
2. City of Sterling Ground Allocation Responses and Information (TF Email) (Included in item 8 above)
3. Roweena Rodriguez re Son joining Club reply
4. Warwick Senior High School Re Hire of School Oval

Business arising from correspondence: None. Moved Pat McKeown seconded Peter Osborn that correspondence be accepted, carried.

Treasurer's report: Victor Schilo provided a detailed report in a handout to members present (see attachment A).

Moved Vic Schilo, seconded Peter Osborne that the Treasurer's report be accepted and accounts be passed for payment, carried.

Secretary's report: Nothing to report

Property Officer: There is one booking for the Kalbarri property and the Christmas period is still available.

Members were reminded to let friends and relatives know that the Kalbarri property is available for bookings so that the rental turnover can offset the expenses.

Field Days: The Rottnest field day in August was discussed.

Sandra Wessels caught the heaviest fish, had the most points and the heaviest bag. Peet Wessels got the second heaviest bag.

On the local field day two sharks were caught and released at the North Cottesloe in a location that was a Fish Protection Area by Martin Wearmouth and Lee Yongli. (In this area any sharks or Sting Rays can be caught but must be released).

Both Martin Wearmouth and Lee Yongli provided good photos of their catches and it was decided by the committee that these sharks would be accepted as a catch at 2kg each.

The next field day (a long weekend) will be held at Kalbarri and Port Gregory and Peter Osborn has room for an additional person in his car if anyone was interested in accompanying him.

Local fishing boundaries for this weekend were discussed and it was agreed to be Preston to Two Rocks. Participants were reminded to complete the weighing slips correctly and make a note if the fee has been paid.

Dry Casting: The next club Dry Casting day is Sunday 13th September at the Yokine Reserve.

Ron Thomas requested that anyone wishing to compete in the AAA State Dry Championships competition should contact him to get the nomination form as there is only 5 weeks to the competition date.

George Holman explained that the Yokine Reserve will no longer be available for club dry casting events as from the 1st October 2015 as the local council is installing cricket pitches in the area.

The council as an alternative did offer the use of the Mirrabooka Regional Open Space but there is limited parking and no storage or toilet facilities available.

Also due to public activity on the site we would have to do a lot of work in managing public access during competitions.

If the Mirrabooka Regional Open Space option was to be taken up the club would have to get a trailer to store all of the dry casting equipment and have to find a location to store the trailer.

George Holman and Ron Thomas looked at the Warwick Senior High School Oval that was currently being used by an Archery Club as a possible alternate location.

A detailed submission was made to the school principal by George Holman and Terry Fuller for the use of the site for the clubs dry casting events and we are awaiting a response to this submission.

A number of other sites that may be suitable will be looked at for their suitability for dry casting.

George Holman requested that members look out for any other areas that may be suitable for dry casting and made a special thanks to Ron Thomas and Terry Fuller for all of the work they had done in the location of alternate site and for the preparation of the submission.

AAAWA: As listed in the September Reel Talk

Social Organiser: None as there is no Social Organiser

George Holman requested that members should consider applying for this vacant position in order to help the club.

Membership Coordinator: There are no new members this month.

Recorder Justin Rose reported that the results for the last competition have been received and a number of Master Badges were awarded.

Shane Wagnall caught a Goat fish (weighing 1.09 kg) and has broken the existing club record that had been in place since 1965 (50 year record).

Reel Talk Terry Fuller explained to members that postage costs would not be increasing until January (2016) and not 1st October as previously mentioned.

If the Reel Talk had been delivered by email and hand as proposed for the month of August this would have resulted in a saving of \$180.00 for the month due to savings in postage and printing costs.

Other reports: None

Special Business (Notice of Motions, or Special Resolutions) None

General business.

Ken Howells reported that the clubs Facebook site is up and running and has 13 members. He proposed that the site be open to the public in order to attract more interest from the public and sponsors.

Ken has received a number of member applications to join the club Facebook site.

His proposal will be discussed at the next committee meeting. The link to the Surf Casting and Angling Club Facebook site is <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1621165738169053/>

Raffle The raffle was drawn with the first prize being won by George Belin and Shane Wignell winning the second prize

There was a break for a short period before the instruction period.

Instruction period

Peter Osborne conducted the instruction session and showed members what he considered to be a selection of rods, reels and equipment including of pre made rigs etc. and how he packs all of this equipment into a single back pack so as to be able to fish away from your vehicle without having to carry additional unnecessary equipment and gear.

Shane Wignell then gave a short talk on what he considered to be the minimum requirement for a First Aid kit. He recommended that as a minimum the kit should include an assortment of band aids, gauze and larger dressings (for wounds), sterile water (for washing sand out of your eye) and antiseptic (for washing wounds).

He also recommended that you carry at least one large/long elasticated bandage to be used where you may have bites or hemorrhaging. As we often travel fish in areas where there are snakes the elasticated bandage is useful in the event that anyone is bitten by a snake. This bandage can be used as a pressure bandage and to immobilize the limb to help slow the spread of any venom.

He explained how recently a woman was bitten on the foot by a snake while walking along the beach and used a shoelace for a tourniquet but she never recovered consciousness. If an elasticated bandage had been applied to the limb with a little pressure this may have been a better item and possible saved her life.

He also suggested that all members should carry (and drink) an adequate amount of water when fishing in order to prevent dehydration

Shane offered to produce a first aid article for a future the Reel Talk magazine to help members put together a useful first aid kit.

Meeting closed at 9.45

Secretary, George Belin

Attachment A. Treasurer's Report for SCAC General Meeting 9 September 2015

Bank Account Summary

Balance as at 8 September 2015	\$9,796.35
LESS Outstanding Cheques	\$474.61
SUB TOTAL	\$9,321.74
Plus Petty Cash Float	\$400.00
PLUS Deposits not yet Credited	
Available Funds as at 8 September 2015	\$9,721.74

New Accounts for payment approval

<u>Date</u>	<u>Payee</u>	<u>Cheque #</u>	<u>Details</u>	<u>Amount</u>
11/08/2015	Pat McKeown	201815	August meeting Refreshments	\$13.60
12/08/2015	Eric Parker	201816	Printer Cartridges	\$93.21
13/08/2015	AAAWA	201817	Affiliation	\$200.00
5/09/2015	Shire of Northampton	201818	Kalbarri Shire Rates	\$959.00
6/09/2015	T. Fuller (Petty Cash)	201819	Reel Talk	\$356.90
8/09/2015	G. Belin	201820	Sec. Stationery requirements	\$32.38
<u>Total for approval</u>				<u>\$1,655.09</u>

Funds received 11 Aug to 8 Sept

	<u>Amount</u>
Recc # 4957655 -67	
Membership Fees	\$680.00
Dry Casting	\$120.00
Meeting Raffle	\$79.00
August Field Day	\$174.00
<u>Total Received</u>	<u>\$1,053.00</u>

Kalbarri House this Financial Year

<u>Rent Revenue</u>	\$540.00
<u>Expenditure</u>	
Electricity	\$71.45
Gas	\$40.00
Council & Water Rates	\$1,129.20
Gardening	\$100.00
Repairs & Maintenance	\$411.40
	\$1,752.05
<u>Deficit</u>	<u>-\$1,212.05</u>

Statement of Activities as at 8 August 2015

<u>Revenue</u>		<u>Expenditure</u>	
Membership Fees	\$3,700.00	Bank Fees	\$30.80
Donations	\$10.00	Meeting Expenses	\$428.60
Meeting Raffle	\$147.00	Dry Casting	\$10.20
Field Day	\$246.00	Sundry	\$12.99
Dry Casting	\$250.00	Reel Talk	\$784.50
Kalbarri Deficit	-\$1,212.05	linet	\$160.00
<u>TOTAL Revenue</u>	<u>\$3,140.95</u>	Telstra	\$40.00
		Office Consumables	\$158.58
		AAAWA Affiliation	\$200.00
		Postage Stamps	\$14.00
<u>Operating Surplus</u>	<u>\$1,301.28</u>	<u>TOTAL Expenses</u>	<u>\$1,839.67</u>

Presented by: Victor Schilo (Treasurer)

Future General meeting instruction periods.

October	Baits to use: what, where, how and why.
Possibilities for other months	Choice and use of fire extinguishers. Peter Butland.
	Cooking fish, including smoking fish.
	Selection of and demonstration of typical fishing rigs for various conditions and species.
	Solunar charts
	Sharpening and care of knives.
	"Secrets" and tips, ways of doing things, such as packing rigs, learnt over many years of fishing.

September 2015 fishing field day

The September fishing field day was held late in the month on the long weekend Saturday/Sunday/Monday 26/27/28 September, from Port Gregory to Kalbarri.

The report and results will not be ready in time for this October Reel Talk, and will be published in the November Reel Talk.

Field Day Officer, Peter Osborne

Coming Club events - summary

October Dry casting, Sunday 11 October - **Note NOT the first Sunday and venue changed.**

October General meeting, Wednesday 14 October, 7:30pm.

October Field day, Cervantes, 17/18 October.

October Committee meeting, Wednesday 21 October, 7:30pm.

October Dry casting. Date and Venue changed!!

When Sunday 11 October 2015. **Note** Not the usual first Sunday of the month.

Competition casting starts at 8:30am.

Where **Change of Venue. Mirrabooka Regional Open Space, southern end.**

Belthorn Terrace Mirrabooka. This is the grassed area to the east of the Herb Graham Recreation Centre.

Get there via Reid Highway, Mirrabooka Ave, Milldale Way, Chesterfield Road (going north) Sudbury Road (going north east), Belthorn Terrace.

OR

via Yirrigan Drive, turn north into Sudbury Rd, continue through to Belthorn Terrace.

The Club cannot get a booking for Yokine Reserve. See the article in this October Reel Talk.

All casters **please come early, no later than 7:30 am**

Members need to pay their fees and sign themselves on, and help to set up the casting courts, targets and warning flags, do the marking and scoring, and clear down, pack and put away all the dry casting equipment used on the day.

If you **really** can't get there early or **really must** leave early, please make sure you explain why to other people, and help more while you are there so that you do your share.

Fees \$10 per person, \$12 per family, to help cover booking charges for the oval and public liability insurance. Please bring the correct change.

Paying fees **You** need to make sure your fees are paid **before 8:15am**.

There will be a locked container, some plastic money bags, pieces of paper, and pens on a table near the back of the Terry Fuller's white Pajero 4WD.

Signing on **You** need to sign yourself on. **Before 8:15am**, put your name on the list of casters, on the table near the back of Terry Fuller's white Pajero 4WD. The list **will close at 8:15am** so that the list of names in casting order can be prepared in time for the 8:30am start of competition.

Name tags All casters, please wear your name tag.

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

<u>Casting order</u>	<u>Month</u>	<u>Seniors, Ladies and Juniors</u>	<u>Veterans</u>
	11 October	Distance first, then accuracy	Accuracy first, then distance
	1 November	Accuracy first, then distance	Distance first, then accuracy
	29 November	Distance first, then accuracy	Accuracy first, then distance

Prepared by Reel Talk Editor, Terry Fuller

October General meeting

When Wednesday 14 October 2015, 7:30pm.

Where Coolbinia West Perth Amateur Football and Sporting Club room, off Wordsworth Avenue, Yokine. Use the well lit car park on the south side of Wordsworth Avenue, between Chaucer and Milton Streets which go north off Wordsworth.

Sign In Please remember to have your name ticked on the attendance sheet. See helpers at the front table.

Raffle tickets From helpers at the front table.

Name tags All members, please wear your name tag.

Instruction period Baits to use: what, where, how and why.

Fishing together on field days



The Club encourages members to fish together on Field days, and will help arrange this. However it helps everyone if members who want a lift, want help or want to fish with someone, ask and arrange to go with other members. It's best done early, but can also be done either before or during the sign on or at the previous General meeting or any Club event.

Check at the General meeting for arrangements and discussions about when and where members can meet to fish together locally in the metropolitan area.

Reel Talk Editor, Terry Fuller

October Field Day Cervantes

- When** Saturday/Sunday 17/18 October 2015.
- Where** Cervantes.
- Boundaries** South side of Cervantes to Green Head.
- Sign on** Saturday 12:30pm at service station at Cervantes.
- 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.
- 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 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.
- Lines in** Saturday 2pm
- Lines out** Sunday 10am
- Fees** \$10 per person, \$12 per family.
- Times** 2pm Saturday to 10am Sunday. Fish caught within those 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.
- Weigh in** Sunday 11:30am at service station at Cervantes.
- Tides, sun and moon** Tide heights and times shown are tides in metres at Jurien.

Saturday 17 Oct	0.21m at 6:05am	0.74m at 10:45pm	<u>Moonrise</u> 8:25am at 110 deg	
	<u>Moon below</u> About 2:55am		<u>Moonset</u> 10:15pm at 250 deg	
			<u>Moon above</u> About 3:20pm	
Sunday 18 Oct	0.31m at 7:10am	0.80m at 11:15pm	<u>Moonrise</u> 9:12am at 111 deg	
	<u>Moon below</u> About 3:45am		<u>Moonset</u> 11:10pm at 249 deg	
			<u>Moon above</u> About 4:10pm	
	<u>Sunrises</u> About 5:40am at 101 deg		<u>Sunsets</u> About 6:30pm at 259 deg	



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Local Field day for October

- When** Saturday/Sunday 17/18 October 2015.
- Boundaries** Penguin Island sand spit to north wall of the Two Rocks Marina, including the Swan and Canning Rivers, the North and South Mole.
- FDO** Local FDO to be advised at the October General meeting.

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 General meeting or phoned.
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 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.
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 the preceding General Meeting or you have signed on by telephone for attending the local Field Day, please make payment to the FDO or Assistant FDO at the weigh-in.
Lines in Saturday 2pm
Lines out Sunday 10am
Times 2pm Saturday to 10am Sunday. Fish caught within those 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.
Weigh in Sunday 11am, location to be set at October 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. Scales will also be available on George Holman's back patio. 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. New members are encouraged to fish with experienced members for guidance and help.

Tides, sun and moon Tide heights and times shown are tides in metres at Fremantle.

Saturday 17 Oct	0.54m at 6:30am	0.96m at 11:05pm	<u>Moonrise</u> <u>Moonset</u>	8:20am at 110 deg 10:15pm at 249 deg	
	<u>Moon below</u> About 2:55am		<u>Moon above</u> About 3:20pm		
Sunday 18 Oct	0.55m at 9:30am	0.95m at 11:35pm	<u>Moonrise</u> <u>Moonset</u>	9:05am at 111 deg 11:10pm at 249 deg	
	<u>Moon below</u> About 3:45am		<u>Moon above</u> About 4:10pm		
	<u>Sunrises</u> About 5:35am at 102 deg		<u>Sunsets</u> About 6:30pm at 258 deg		

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October Committee meeting

When Wednesday 21 October 2015, 7:30pm.
Where Coolbinia West Perth Amateur Football and Sporting Club room.
Visitors 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. Please contact the President or the Secretary well before the meeting to arrange your invitation.

Reel Talk Editor, Terry Fuller

November Fishing Field day Cervantes

When Saturday/Sunday 14/15 November 2015.
Where Cervantes.
Boundaries South side of Cervantes to Green Head.

Sign on Saturday 12:30pm at service station at Cervantes.

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.

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 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.

Lines in Saturday 2pm



Lines out Sunday 10am

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

Times 2pm Saturday to 10am Sunday. Fish caught within those 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.

Weigh in Sunday 11:30am at service station at Cervantes.

Tides, sun and moon Tide heights and times shown are tides in metres at Jurien.

Saturday 14 Nov	0.10m at 5:40am	0.77m at 9:50pm	<u>Moonrise</u> <u>Moonset</u>	7:10am at 111 deg 9:05pm at 249 deg	
	<u>Moon below</u> About 1:40am		<u>Moon above</u> About 2:05pm		
Sunday 15 Nov	0.18m at 6:20am	0.81m at 10:20pm	<u>Moonrise</u> <u>Moonset</u>	8am at 111 deg 9:55pm at 249 deg	
	<u>Moon below</u> About 2:30am		<u>Moon above</u> About 3 pm		
	<u>Sunrises</u> About 5:15am at 112 deg		<u>Sunsets</u> About 6:55pm at 248 deg		

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Local Fishing Field day for November

When Saturday/Sunday 14/15 November 2015.

Boundaries Penguin Island sand spit to north wall of the Two Rocks Marina, including the Swan and Canning Rivers, the North and South Mole.

FDO Local FDO to be advised at the October General meeting.

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 General meeting or phoned.

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 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.

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 the preceding General Meeting or you have signed on by telephone for attending the local Field Day, please make payment to the FDO or Assistant FDO at the weigh-in.

Lines in Saturday 2pm



Lines out Sunday 10am

Times 2pm Saturday to 10am Sunday. Fish caught within those 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.

Weigh in Sunday 11am, location to be set at October 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. Scales will also be available on George Holman's back patio. 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. New members are encouraged to fish with experienced members for guidance and help.

Tides, sun and moon Tide heights and times shown are tides in metres at Fremantle.

Saturday 14 Nov	0.46m at 6:35am	1.03m at 10:10pm	Moonrise 7:05am at 111 deg	Moonset 9:05pm at 248 deg	
	Moon below About 1:40am		Moon above About 2:05pm		
Sunday 15 Nov	0.47m at 7:40am	1.01m at 10:40pm	Moonrise 7:55am at 112 deg	Moonset 9:55pm at 249 deg	
	Moon below About 2:30am		Moon above About 2:55 pm		
	Sunrises About 5:10am at 112 deg		Sunsets About 6:55pm at 248 deg		

Prepared by Reel Talk Editor, Terry Fuller

Calendar for next three months

Here's a calendar showing the dates for Dry Casting, General and Committee meetings, Field Days and other Club events in the next three months.

23 Deadline for Reel Talk articles, 5pm	25 AAAWA event	6 Bunnings sausage sizzle	
4 Dry Casting	14 General Meeting	17 18 Fishing Field days	21 Committee Meeting

October 2015						
Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	

November 2015						
Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
30						1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29

December 2015						
Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			

Note 1 October dry casting date and venue have been changed because the Club is not able to get bookings for Yokine Reserve for the summer season. See the article "Change of Dry casting venue"

Note 2 29 November casting date is for the "December" casting day. The "usual" December date of 6 December is booked for a Bunnings sausage sizzle.

Reel Talk Editor, Terry Fuller

Deadlines for Reel Talk articles and reports

The Reel Talk needs to be delivered to members during the week before the first Club event for the coming month. I try to get the Reel Talk finished by Friday so I can print and post or email it on the weekend or the Monday for delivery in the metro area during that week, however public holidays or Australia Post holidays can change that. Can I please have all general articles and reports

For the November Reel Talk, no later than 5pm Friday 23 October. The next/first Club event is very early in the next month.

For the December Reel Talk, no later than 5pm Friday 20 November. The next/first Club event is late in November.

For the January Reel Talk, no later than 5pm Thursday 24 December. Christmas Eve.

If I have all the regular articles and enough content, I may close off the Reel Talk earlier than the dates shown. **Please note:** These dates and times are deadlines and closing and cut off times, not targets for you to aim to just meet. If your article will be close to the deadline, please make sure you contact me well before or risk missing out.

Reel Talk Editor, Terry Fuller

New member applications

Applications for membership have been received and will come before the next Committee meeting. If any member has any reason why any of the applications should not be accepted, please contact a Committee member and state the reason.

None this month

Membership Coordinator, Pat McKeown

New member acceptances

The following application for membership has been accepted, and will be invited to the next General Meeting to be welcomed into the Club.

Sri Srigandan and Sita Mahadevan

Paul, Nicholas and Anthony Terpkos

Membership Coordinator, Pat McKeown

Bookings for Kalbarri house

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

These dates show the **nights** the house is **NOT** available for a booking, the same as shown on the Club website <http://www.surfcasters.iinet.net.au/KalbarriHouse.html>

The Club's Kalbarri house has bookings for the following dates/nights. Tenants will leave by 10am on the **day after** the last day and date shown. All other dates/nights not listed are currently available. This list has been updated in late August and does not include any bookings or changes which may have been made between then and whenever you read this. 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.

Oct 2015	Sun 4 Oct to Sat 10 Oct Sat 17 Oct to Sat 31 Oct	Nov 2015	Sun 1 Nov to Fri 6 Nov
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Property Officer 2015/16, Eric Parker

Club rods and reels for loan

Club rods and reels are available for short term loan to members and visitors to Club events by arrangement with President George Holman. These include spinning (threadline) and Alvey reels, and rod buckets.

Dry casting report 13 September 2015

Well, all I can say is how very disappointing our last dry casting day was with only 7 members casting.

I would like to know the reason but I can only guess. Not only has the club been let down to a certain extent but also the workers who go out of their way for your benefit.

Our next drycasting date and venue will undoubtedly be published in the Reel Talk. I would love to see a few of the old faces on our next outing along with some of our newer members.

The best casts for the day were:

56 gram distance	Gary Gildersleeves	137 metres.
Artificial bait	George Holman	112 metres
112 gram distance	George Holman	144 metres
Double handed accuracy	George Holman	150
Single handed accuracy	Peter Osborne	31

There were 3 bullseyes in the single handed accuracy, George, Peter and Terry.

George won the 112 gram Open with 136.90 metres, beating Gary by 0.04 of a metre.

The club is looking for a 6 x 4 trailer with a metal lock up canopy to store and transport our drycasting gear in.

If anybody knows of a good 2nd hand one for sale could you please let someone on the committee know about it.

See you at next casting.

Dry casting Officer Ron Thomas

Dry Casting winners for 13 September 2015

Event	Seniors winner		Veterans winner	
56 gram score			27	Gary Gildersleeves
56 gram distance			137	Gary Gildersleeves
Artificial bait score	20	Jeff Hewton	22	George Holman, Gary Gildersleeves, Klaus Schönwolf
Artificial bait distance	103	Jeff Hewton	112	George Holman
112 gram score	25	Jeff Hewton	28	George Holman, Gary Gildersleeves
112 gram distance	124	Jeff Hewton	144	George Holman
Double handed accuracy	109	Jeff Hewton	150	George Holman
Single handed accuracy	9	Jeff Hewton	31	Peter Osborne
Section highest points	173	Jeff Hewton	272	George Holman

Event	Overall winner for 13 September		Year's best for 2015/16	
56 gram score	27	Gary Gildersleeves	31	Peter Pekaar, Robert Pekaar
56 gram distance	137	Gary Gildersleeves	157	Robert Pekaar
Artificial bait score	22	George Holman, Gary Gildersleeves, Klaus Schönwolf	31	Peter Pekaar
Artificial bait distance	112	George Holman	156	Peter Pekaar
112 gram score	28	George Holman, Gary Gildersleeves	37	Peter Pekaar
112 gram distance	144	George Holman	190	Peter Pekaar
Double handed accuracy	150	George Holman	164	Terry Fuller
Single handed accuracy	31	Peter Osborne	37	Bob Henderson
Section highest points	272	George Holman	282	George Holman

Dry casting spreadsheet developer and data entry, Terry Fuller

Dry Casting results 13 September 2015

Results for the day	56 gram			Artificial Bait			112 gram			Double Handed Accuracy								Single Handed Accuracy					Day Total	Attendance		Total Points	
	Cast 1 (m)	Cast 2 (m)	Points	Cast 1 (m)	Cast 2 (m)	Points	Cast 1 (m)	Cast 2 (m)	Points	Target number								Target distance									
										3	3	1	1	4	4	2	2	Points	L	S	L	S		Points			
Seniors	Out	Out		103	94	20	124	121	25	19	6	7	23	13	15	13	13	109	0	5	0	4	9	163	10	0	173

Veterans

George Holman	125	132	26	108	112	22	133	144	28	2	23	20	21	23	21	18	22	150	8	10	2	6	26	252	10	10	272
Gary Gildersleeves	135	137	27	109	110	22	140	135	28	17	22	16	20	21	13	19	20	148	8	4	4	7	23	248	10	10	268
Peter Osborne	102	68	17	85	88	17	110	110	22	16	17	18	18	3	21	22	16	131	8	7	10	6	31	218	10	10	238
Terry Fuller	93	97	19	B/O	82	8	105	102	21	10	23	16	19	6	21	12	18	125	8	2	7	10	27	200	10	10	220
Ron Thomas	B/O	110	11	Out	Out		B/O	Out		9	19	22	21	10	13	23	24	141	8	7	8	7	30	182	10	10	202
Klaus Schönwolf	122	123	25	109	106	22	136	137	27	6	22	0	9	0	0	15	11	63	5	6	0	9	20	157	10	10	177

Scores include September casting and the September General meeting. DNC=Did Not Cast. B/O=Break Off. Out=weight landed out of court. NC=No cast, artificial bait fell off.

Dry casting spreadsheet developer and data entry, Terry Fuller

Dry Casting top scores for 2015/16

Total scores are up to and including September casting and September General meeting. Competition Rules section 3.8.1 specifies only the best 11 months out of 12 will count at the end of the competition year. All results will be announced at the Presentation of Trophies in June 2016, and adjusted scores will be published after that.

Name	Points	Rank	Name	Points	Rank	Name	Points	Rank
George Holman	1333	1	Klaus Schönwolf	717	8	Lee Yongli	304	15
Gary Gildersleeves	1279	2	Peter Pekaar	612	9	Bob Henderson	240	16
Terry Fuller	1177	3	Gary Parkinson	587	10	Eric Parker	176	17
Ron Thomas	927	4	Mark Hansen	556	11	Mark Taylor	138	18
Peter Osborne	915	5	Robert Pekaar	552	12	Wilf Core	94	19
Allan Jones	773	6	Alan Hale	512	13	Trevor Stam	73	20
Jeff Hewton	743	7	Dean Stewart	484	14			

Dry casting spreadsheet developer and data entry, Terry Fuller

112 gram Open, 13 September 2015

Name	Cast 1	Cast 2	Best cast (metres)
George Holman	135.16	136.90	136.90
Gary Gildersleeves	136.86	128.87	136.86
Jeff Hewton	124.98	129.57	129.57
Ron Thomas	B/O		

Word Find

Where to fish?

C	S	F	I	D	D	S	O	U	T	H	M	O	L	E	D	S	T
L	N	Y	T	A	R	N	S	B	U	R	N	S	L	R	O	S	H
U	A	H	S	R	S	I	I	U	S	A	W	O	N	U	M	F	E
B	M	L	H	O	G	R	B	W	R	A	H	O	T	T	E	R	C
C	R	O	T	D	G	D	A	A	N	F	T	H	I	E	R	O	U
A	E	O	R	A	I	N	O	B	E	H	R	D	R	M	N	T	T
P	T	P	O	M	R	E	O	G	G	S	E	N	W	I	A	T	H
R	A	S	N	I	T	U	W	I	B	F	A	H	T	A	S	N	I
I	W	R	V	U	R	E	R	E	W	E	L	S	R	M	M	E	L
C	E	E	C	N	S	B	I	Y	C	E	A	O	A	I	I	S	L
O	R	T	E	T	O	U	P	O	F	E	T	C	R	N	N	T	A
R	I	E	S	C	A	R	B	O	R	O	U	G	H	E	D	Y	R
N	S	P	I	T	F	E	E	R	R	A	D	A	R	N	A	D	Y
T	S	T	N	A	R	G	T	O	P	S	E	H	T	D	R	T	S
T	H	T	R	A	F	F	I	C	B	R	I	D	G	E	I	E	E
N	I	A	R	E	O	L	S	E	T	T	O	C	M	W	E	E	D
P	O	I	N	T	P	E	R	O	N	Y	A	N	C	H	E	P	D
H	T	R	O	N	R	E	V	I	R	G	N	I	N	N	A	C	Y

Words to find

Bar	Rain
Bay	Rip
Brighton Rd	Rottnest
Burns	Sand
Canning River	San Remo
Club Capricorn	Scarborough
Cottesloe	Seabird
Cut	South
Day	South Mole
Dog Beach	Spit
East	Sun
Eddy	Surf
Floreat	Swanbourne
Grant St	Swan River
Hillarys	The Cut
Hole	The Spot
Madora	Tide
Miami	Traffic Bridge
Mindarie	Triggs
North	Watermans
North St	Weed
Ocean Reef	West
Peters Pool	Wet
Point Peron	Wind
Radar Reef	Yanchep

This is a Word Find puzzle for the theme "Where to fish?"

The words to find are somewhere in the grid of letters.

Words may run in any direction, including diagonally, but always in a straight line.

Some letters are used more than once.

Although there are spaces in some "words", spaces aren't used in the grid.

Ring each word as you find it.

When you have found all the words, there will be 23 letters left over.

These make up one answer to the question "Where to fish?"

The marked up words and the answer will be in the next Reel Talk.

Reel Talk Editor, Terry Fuller

Casting practice and tuition on Thursdays

Some members get together for a social dry cast and practice and tuition at Yokine Reserve on Thursday mornings, starting about 9am, subject to the weather. It is on the day after our General and Committee meetings and we will remind members that it is happening so that they can come along.

Come along for the practice or for some tuition in casting on a one to one basis and lots of tips from people who really know and succeed at casting, and try out different rods and reels and casting styles.

Distance casting, single handed accuracy and double handed accuracy as used in the Club's competition casting are covered. There's also the chance to talk about what gear to use and practice casting for specific types of fishing.

Some new members who have taken the time to come down on the Thursday morning to learn to cast are Lee Yongli, Terry McLean and Scott Williamson and the improvement in their casting has been dramatic.

Contact George Holman, Gary Gildersleeves or Terry Fuller for more details or just turn up with your casting or fishing gear. Check first if the weather is not good.

Reel Talk Editor, Terry Fuller

Happy birthday to

Aniello Pizzolante, 9 October

Victor Schilo, 12 October

Sarah Wignell, 12 October

Gary Parkinson, 18 October

Ross Metcalf, 22 October

Mariella Pizzolante, 22 October

Reel Talk Editor, Terry Fuller

AAAWA Meeting 15 September 2015

The Annual Awards presentation was held prior to the Delegates Meeting.

Main points from the meeting:

John Crompton has resigned as AAWA Secretary. Richard Siudak was voted in as Secretary.

State Dry Casting Championships. Stirling council has notified AAWA that only part of the Yokine Regional Reserve would be available for use. It was agreed that the proposed area was too small to safely hold the event. The Perth Polo Club ground in Guildford was suggested as an alternative venue. It will comfortably cater for 2 courts. It was also suggested that the program may need to be adjusted to work with 2 courts. The Dry Casting sub-committee will investigate further action.

AAAWA Delegate Victor Schilo

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.

Eric Parker

Heavy duty sewing

Contact Terry Fuller if you need some heavy duty strong sewing.

The sewing machine can handle reinforcing or repairing tarpaulins, rope edging, plastic, canvas, leather, shade cloth, webbing, straps, buckles, etc, for tent flies, windbreaks, bags, fish bags, covers, etc.

Terry Fuller

Delivery of Reel Talk

From this Reel Talk (October 2015) a mixture of emailed, posted and hand delivered at Club events will be used to deliver copies of Reel Talk to members.

The intention is to minimise the number of posted copies because postage will be \$2 per copy from 4 January 2016, and to reduce the cost of printing Reel Talk.

1. Members with email will get an emailed PDF file copy, with coloured images.
2. Members without email will get a yellow covered black and white printed copy posted to them, exactly the same as before.
3. Members active in the Club with email will **also** get a individually addressed yellow covered black and white printed copy of Reel Talk, to be picked up at the Dry casting or the General meeting or the Field Day or other special event.

If not picked up, these will be held for later collection or can be collected from the Reel Talk Editor or another member by arrangement, or may be delivered by a member who lives nearby.

4. Members with email, but not active in the club, who wish to get a posted yellow covered black and white printed copy of Reel Talk will need to apply to the Committee with their reasons.

The Committee has approved that "active in the Club" means the member has attended at least three Club events in the previous 6 months. Recent new members will get a printed copy.

Attendances at General meetings, Fishing Field days, Drycasting and special events (like the Presentation night and Bunnings sausage sizzle) are all recorded and published in Reel Talk.

These will be used to keep the running tally of total attendances in the preceding 6 months before each Reel Talk is produced and sent out.

The most recent email and postal address you have given to the Club will be used, so please make sure you let the Club Secretary know about any changes.

Reel Talk Editor, Terry Fuller

Rise in postage costs for Reel Talk

The articles in the August and September Reel Talks said the cost of postage for Reel Talk was rising from \$1.40 to \$2 on 1 September. The September date was used in early publicity.

This rise is now proposed for 4 January 2016, but the price rise has not yet been approved by the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission.

Reel Talk Editor, Terry Fuller

Reel Talk is on the Club website

The Reel Talks will be emailed or posted early in the week before the first club event for the month. If you have not received your Reel Talk, a public version will be put on the Club website <http://www.surfcasters.iinet.net.au/> by the Friday before the first club event for the month. The website version will not contain members' private contact details like email, address or phone numbers.

Reel Talk Editor, Terry Fuller

Please keep all your past Reel Talks

Many times, we need to refer you to articles from past Reel Talks to save the cost of reprinting them over and over again when the details haven't changed. Examples are full lists of all details for Field days, General meetings, etc. etc.

As far as possible, this will be done in the form "*See the article on page xx of the Reel Talk for month year.*" Please keep all your past Reel Talks, either the paper or emailed copies so that you can look back at these articles and know what's what.

All Reel Talks are on the Club's web site if you need a replacement copy, or contact the Reel Talk Editor if you do not have email or internet access.

Reel Talk Editor, Terry Fuller

My 129th Reel Talk

I thought I would keep count of how many Reel Talks I have produced, just in case....

September 2001 to July 2006 = 59 editions in that stint.

January 2010 to October 2015 = 70 editions in this stint.

Reel Talk Editor, Terry Fuller

Some statistics about recent Reel Talks

While using the September Reel Talk as the base for the October edition, I found some editing, spelling and typo mistakes that had slipped through to the published version. Yes, the Microsoft Word spell checker is used, but often there is more than one correct way of spelling words such as names.

Here are some page, word, character, line and paragraph counts from recent editions of Reel Talk, including the cover pages. I have to look at and check all of these for any spelling, layout, typographical errors, out of date information, etc, etc

No wonder sometimes there can be some mistakes, things left out, or things left in from previous editions which shouldn't still be there. The real wonder to me is there aren't more of those.

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Totals
Words	16,505	32,233	14,156	14,870	14,487	14,156	21,468	17,856	18,931	164,662
Characters (no spaces)	76,092	152,756	65,243	69,244	66,086	65,243	101,274	81,922	88,391	766,251
Characters (with spaces)	90,671	182,938	77,532	82,106	78,141	77,532	118,970	97,771	105,058	910,719
Paragraphs	2,189	2,446	2,095	2,266	2,688	2,095	4,366	2,304	2,600	23,049
Lines	3,213	4,315	3,463	3,796	4,236	3,463	6,505	3,906	5,020	37,917
Pages	34	56	31	33	34	31	50	36	40	345

Reel Talk Editor, Terry Fuller

Wanted articles and photos

New and extra content is wanted from members for the web site and for Reel Talk. Categories are photos, hints and tips, articles, members' stories, movies, etc.

I can take these articles in any of the usual formats, Word, PDF, text, email, even an audio recording for content, and any of the usual image or movie formats.

Please tell us about your fishing or other activities, and share those with other Club members and help to attract new members to the Club.

Reel Talk Editor, Terry Fuller

Please wear your name tag and Club clothing at Club events

The heading says it all. New members and visitors will be grateful for the name tag and the Club clothing advertises the Club.

If you don't have a name tag, please make one or contact Secretary George Belin. Club clothing can be bought from Committee member Shane Wignell.

Reel Talk Editor, Terry Fuller

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.

Derby Horizontal Falls

On Friday (7 August) I drove to Derby to go on the tour of the Horizontal Falls at 2.15pm. I was picked up from the King Sound Resort along with ten other people. We were taken to the Derby Airport and boarded a Cessna with floats, one of three on the tarmac, all to take passengers to the falls.

We were the last to take off and made a direct flight over the land to the falls and landed on the sound at 3pm. On the flight across the land (120k's) not one sign of human habitation. No tracks, fence lines or posts just continuous untouched country.

After taking our overnight luggage to our allotted rooms (will describe the room later) we donned life jackets and boarded the high powered boats. They have three boats for the falls run. Two carried about twenty four persons and a smaller one about fourteen persons.

The boats are massively powered, the large ones have three, three hundred horsepower outboards and the small one merely six hundred horsepower.



On this occasion there were two boats, a larger one and a smaller one.

The two falls were a short distance away and the experience of a lifetime began.

The height of the first of the wider of the two falls dropped in the height of the water going through the falls about one and a half metres.

The boats were powered up to speed and shot through the falls, bouncing occupants all over the place.

Taking turns with the other boat we repeated the process three times.

I was trying to take a movie of the event but half way through I kept forgetting the camera and my natural instincts were to grip on for safety.

The water was really churning on both sides of the falls so you had to hang on. I was sitting in the front row of seats so had a good view but did get a bit of the spray.



Shooting the falls

After this exhilarating experience we toured the surrounding gorges at a more sedate pace, including Cyclone Creek as it is the best place to ride out a cyclone as it is protected by high surrounding sheer walls. They also mothball the whole floating operation here over the off season and have not had any trouble or damage to the structures.

Some of the geological formations were amazing, horizontal sedimentary rock structures were forced vertically, formed 1800 million years ago when continents collided.



Back to the Floating Palace and it was time to feed the sharks. Leftovers of barramundi BBQ earlier were fed to the sharks who know when it is feeding time. There would have been between eight and ten sharks, all about two meters who arrived when the feeding began.

We also fed Batfish with bits of bread rolls when they came to the surface to feed. One of the sharks (Dusky Nurse Sharks) allowed some people to touch its skin, like leather not rough like normal sharks.

After all the activity it was time for a drink to watch the sunset go down after which a BBQ was cooked for us with the main menu, being Barra Burgers, yum, yum.

At about eight thirty, nine o'clock every one headed for bed as we had an early start next morning, breakfast at 6.15am and if you wanted a helicopter ride over the falls (an additional \$100 for ten minutes) that was done before breakfast.

We then had a repeat of the previous day shooting through the falls again in the fresh morning air, the surrounding waters being as still as a mill pond, then back to the Floating Palace.

By this stage the day visitors were starting to arrive. In the short space of fifteen minutes three flying boats and two helicopters arrived. When they got out, we got in and were flown back to Derby, this time taking a longer route around the peninsular for a scenic flight. We crossed over Cove Bay where a barramundi farm is being developed. We arrived at Derby by 8.15am right on time.

The Floating Palace. I call it this because it was a floating structure with everything. It had berths for three of its speed boats, docks for three flying boats, out of water docks for a sea doo and two small aluminium dinghies.

A barge for the helipad and the small helicopter could be stored on top of the structure if the helipad was being used. The small helicopter was a permanent fixture and the bigger helicopters come and drop off and pick up tourists.

It had all the infrastructure including desalination, power barge (all rooms air conditioned). Crew were housed on the lower level with some of the accommodation top and bottom.

The Palace replenishes its stores by a converted fishing boat. It takes twelve hours to reach Derby. That gives you some idea of the isolation of the Palace.

Here comes an interesting part. Due to the accommodation being full I was given privilege of using the executive suite. There was a passage down the centre of the structure with cabins on both sides. At the end of the passage is a door with a combination lock on it so only authorised persons can enter. Inside it was amazing. It was at the end of the structure and had windows around 180 degrees in a half circle giving an uninterrupted view of the surrounding bay. It had a lounge, sink, fridge, en suite, large digital TV (with Blu-ray videos). Outside the side door onto a private balcony that followed the circular windows around was a stand with four fishing rods and spear gun.

The other rooms were basic and small, only air conditioning they had to share toilets and facilities, no TV or en suite.

Unfortunately I did not get to enjoy it as much as I would have liked because we were kept busy while on board, but at least I got to live like a king for one night.

The only condition they put on the enjoyment of the suite was I was not allowed to tell anyone else on the tour as you could imagine it may have caused friction with my fellow travelers, but I was sorely tested. Maybe they gave this mere mortal the privilege as they thought I could keep a secret! So you hear it first straight from the horse's mouth!

I spent a few hours looking at the tourist sites and had to wait till 12pm for the liquor stores to open (there was a queue outside) as I turn off the main highway before I get to Broome so I did my shopping in Derby, very expensive. The liquor licensing laws here are very strict as far as packaged liquor is concerned.

My vehicle should be ready in a week's time and I will be then off to Fitzroy crossing and then start the Gibbs River Road Trek.

Bye for now

Ray Walker

Update via Facebook 4 September. Hi guys, I have finally hit the road and am now in Fitzroy Crossing, did the Geike George Boat Tour, Checked out the Crossing Inn (I was the only white face there).

Would like to stay longer to check out the fishing but the weather is getting hotter and I need to get across the top of Australia before the wet sets in. I now have a Personal Locator Beacon so you can stop worrying about me getting lost.

Update via Facebook 14 September. Will find it hard to believe but I have broken down again!!!! Half way up the Gibb River Road and had overheating problem, checked out by Mechanic at Over The Range Tyre & Mechanical. I broke down less than a k from the only mechanic on the Gibb.

Towed back to Derby (\$1600 plus RAC \$700) car is in Broome, they cannot find a fault as yet!! Stuck here until the car problem is sorted.

Update via email 14 September

Hi Guys, Yes I have broken down again, not very happy. Stuck in Derby, car is in Broome, back at Broome Mechanical. Still trying to find the problem.

It is overheating, initially thought the head was cracked but now uncertain.

Staying at Kimberley Cottages 8k out of Derby. Do not know when I will be back on the road. Will not continue on the Gibb but go by sealed road as it is too late in the season, too hot and rivers and falls drying out. Will continue on to Kununurra and Darwin and take it from there.

Will change phone to Telstra when I get to Kununurra. No service here. Regards Ray

Update Sunday 20 September. The cause of the overheating problem has been found by a 4x4 company in Derby. Ray has advice from Consumer Affairs Department in Broome and has emailed a claim to the Broome company for reimbursement of costs and expenses. He expects to get the parts installed for the fix on Wednesday 23 September.

Ray Walker

Change of Dry casting venue

After paying to use the Yokine Reserve for nearly 37 years since November 1978, the Club is not able to get a booking there for the summer season 2015/16 due to the installation of cricket pitches and use by cricket clubs on Saturday and Sunday mornings and afternoons.

The Club has been offered and has booked the Mirrabooka Regional Open Space, and has also written to the Warwick Senior High School about using their oval.

Bookings for reserves are only done for a 6 month period, summer or winter. Every period becomes a juggling exercise for the City of Stirling (and other Councils) to try to fit all of the sporting and community groups who want to use a reserve on weekends into the ones that are suitable, recognising that some Clubs have "home grounds" and get priority.

In recent years the Club has shared the southern end of the Reserve with Hockey during the winter season, with the Club getting one weekend day a month and Hockey getting the other 7 weekend days a month.

Apart from when the City was doing ground maintenance, or big carnivals like the Junior T Ball carnival, the Club has been given bookings for most of the specific days we have asked for during the recent summer seasons.

If the Club wanted Yokine Reserve on a week day during either summer or winter, it seems we would have little problem getting the bookings.

The City of Stirling will give the Club keys to toilets beside the Reserve. An answer on storage space for the Club's dry casting equipment is expected soon.

Reel Talk Editor, Terry Fuller

Why no dry casting at Yokine Reserve

Following on from the article "Cricket pitches at Yokine Reserve" on page 36 of the September Reel Talk.

The Club put in its application for the use of Yokine Reserve for our dry casting for the summer season 2015/16. The Club received an email offering Mirrabooka Regional Open Space, the grassed area to the east of the Herb Graham Recreation Centre.

After phone calls, and an email giving details of how we use Yokine Reserve, the Club received the explanation and the diagram copied below.

Terry,

Thank you for your email.

The information you have provided has enabled a better assessment of the situation both parties are faced with.

The City of Stirling understands that Surf Casting and Angling Club of WA have utilised Yokine Regional Open Space for many years. However, the City of Stirling is experiencing exponential growth in the sport of cricket, and local clubs have in recent years have been forced to turn children away, capping their memberships due to limited reserve space and availability.

With the installation of centre wickets and practice nets at Yokine Regional Open Space East, the reserve will be utilised for junior and senior cricket fixtures on both Saturdays and Sundays. Given the nature of how cricket is fixtured, particularly junior cricket, fixturing all games away from Yokine Regional Open Space East – South one Sunday each month will not be viable. The space available at the reserve will thus be limited to an estimated 90m width in the south-eastern most corner of the reserve.

The City has identified several safety concerns with this location including the risk of cricket balls entering the surf casting and angling area, and vice versa with stray casting and sinkers. For this reason the two sports cannot co-exist at Yokine Regional Open Space East.

Currently, Mirrabooka Regional Open Space is the only available reserve large enough to accommodate your club needs.

As per the attached map, the City is of the belief that surf casting and angling can be safely accommodated at Mirrabooka Regional Open Space. Should the Surf Casting and Angling Club deem Mirrabooka Regional Open Space unsuitable, an alternative location will need to be sought, bearing in mind that Yoking Regional Open Space East will not be considered.

The City has investigated other potential locations such as Yokine Regional Open Space West and Hertha Road Reserve, however both reserves are utilised each Sunday by remote controlled flying clubs, and are thus unavailable.

It is understood that the decision to install cricket facilities at Yokine Regional Open Space East is not favourable to your club. However, as mentioned above, the new facility will enable hundreds of local children to play cricket during the summer sports season.

By offering your club a suitable alternative in Mirrabooka Regional Open Space, it is anticipated that all sports can continue successfully within the City of Stirling.

Should Surf Casting and Angling Club of WA decline the use of Mirrabooka Regional Open Space, the City is unable to offer an alternative location and thus would encourage the club to contact neighbouring local government agencies.

Please contact me on the details below should you require any further information.

Kind regards,

Anna Jamieson

Club Development Project Officer, Recreation Administration, City of Stirling



Mirrabooka Regional Open Space. Diagram from City of Stirling.
Reserve length = 242 metres, width = 112 metres.

Reel Talk Editor, Terry Fuller

Banners for drycasting



Three extra Caution banners like this have been sewn and painted for use at drycasting.

They are very bright red and stand out against green grass!

Reel Talk Editor, Terry Fuller

September 2015 fishing field day

The September fishing field day will be held late in the month on the long weekend Saturday/Sunday/Monday 26/27/28 September, from Port Gregory to Kalbarri.

The report and results will not be ready in time for this October Reel Talk, and will be published in the November Reel Talk.

Field Day Officer, Peter Osborne

50 years ago. Rottnest Field Day, 11-12 September 1965

Weather conditions for this venue, were ideal (perhaps a little too ideal), a very light south-easterly and fairly calm seas with only a slight swell on the West End of the Island.

32 Senior members, 2 visitors and 2 juniors made up a total of 36 in all attending the venue, and after a pleasant journey over in the "Kat" the truck was loaded, and all members journeyed by bus to their various destinations. First stop by the bus was made for Bob Jensen and Ken Hunt at Geordie Bay, then off to "Radar" area where about a dozen of the boys had a quick look at the reef and decided it was perfect to fish with only ankle deep water running over it.

Among the boys to stay here were Norrie Cross and his friend Bruce McIntyre, who I believe slept in the old bunker with a hive of bees under the floorboards. Eric Sullivan, Tom Smith, Dave Latto, Doug Talbot and Denis Bodle slept in one bunker while Bill Utting, Ron Kildahl, Hew Hoy Yew and Warren Minnett were in the other with some friends of Bills. Arthur Horton Don Webb, Lofty Griffiths, Roger Broinowski, Terry Fuller were some who decided to fish from the West End area, but this spot proved to be almost barren except for a few rock fish and an eel caught by Lofty.

Harry Barrot, Allen Bunnett, Alf Rutland, Steve Demitro, Ron McQueen, Mike Dawson, Ian McLennan and myself decided to fish Strickland Bay area, but without any sea breeze, and the low tide, not even the sharks ventured into this area, although Alf Rutland and Junior visitor S. Stubbs finally landed a tailor. Young Les Newton, fishing near Doug caught a fish from this area which Doug eventually had identified by Rolly McKay as a "Chad". Les has entered for a State Record. Incidentally Eric Sullivan's Yellowtail kingfish and Ron Kildahl's Red Mullet have also been entered as State records.

Tiger Lilly, Hugh Gregory, Ted Savage and Ron Mansfield decided to fish at a point closer to the settlement and they certainly produced some fish. Bob eventually taking off the heaviest bag award with Tailor and Salmon weighing 68lbs.

Hugh knocked off the heaviest Tailor award with a beauty of 7lb 5ozs.

Arriving back at the jetty for Sunday morning "weigh-in" we were met by Bob Tichbon who had stayed with friends and fished the natural jetty area producing a nice haul of Tailor. Bob Jensen weighed a nice bag of fish all caught on his single handed rod.

Some of the other captures of note were Doug Talbot's Crayfish and Tom Smith's Buff Bream of 11½ lbs., the heaviest fish caught on the venue.

It was pleasing to see the more fortunate anglers sharing their hard won captures with unlucky anglers, and this reflects good Club spirit between all Club Members. There were some mighty tired anglers on the return trip to Fremantle, and we all enjoyed another calm crossing.

So ended a busy venue. My many thanks to all members for the help I received, Tom Smith, Ian McLennan, and many others were kept busy checking figures etc. My heartiest congrats to award Members who all fished hard and long for their captures. Hoping for a good attendance at Lancelin in October. (Details as listed in "Reel Talk").

Award winners on venue,

Heaviest scale fish.	Tom Smith	Buff Bream 11 ½ lbs.
Heaviest bag of scale fish.	Bob Lilly	12 tailor, 1 salmon, total weight 68 lbs
Junior section	Les Newton	Chad 3 ½ lbs

Total poundage 481 lbs.

Point of interest. Rottnest venue March last year - total poundage 515 lbs.

Total weight of Scale Fish now stands at 2,186 lbs. This total exceeds last year's tally over 10 venues. As we have 7 field days to complete the season, this could be a record year. Last year's total was 2,134 lbs. The best ever was 3,528 lbs. during the 1963/64 season.

Fish captures: Venue Rottnest.

Bob Lilly	12 Tailor, 1 Salmon	68 lb 6 oz.
Bob Tichbon	26 Tailor	36 $\frac{3}{4}$ lbs.
Tom Smith	Skippy, Tailor and Bream	35 $\frac{1}{2}$ lbs
Hugh Gregory	Tailor (one 7lb. 5oz.) Skippy, Herring	32 $\frac{1}{2}$ lbs
Bob Jensen	12 Skippy, 2 Tailor (Single Handed rod)	30 lb. 6 oz.
Norrie Cross	11 Tailor and 1 herring	23 lbs.
Ron Kildahl	Skippy Tailor and 1 Goat Fish	25 lbs.
Ron Mansfield	Tailor, Mulloway. Herring & Skippy	22 lb. 5 oz.
Ted Savage	Mulloway & Tailor	17 $\frac{1}{4}$ lbs.
Doug Talbot	Skippy, Bream, Tailor and 1 1/2 lb Cray.	17 lbs.
Eric Sullivan	Mixed Bag and 1 Yellowtail Kingy 2 lb.	16 $\frac{1}{2}$ lbs.
Bill Utting	10 Tailor	15 $\frac{1}{2}$ lbs.
Alf Rutland	Skippy, Rockfish and Tailor	13 $\frac{3}{4}$ lbs.
Dave Latto	Skippy and 8 Tailor	13 $\frac{1}{2}$ lbs.
Alan Bunnett	Skippy and Rockfish	12 $\frac{1}{4}$ lbs.
Terry Fuller	Mixed bag of Skippy and rockfish	12 lb.
Ian McLennan	Skippy	9 $\frac{1}{4}$ lbs.
Denis Bodle	8 Skippy	8 lbs.
Arthur Horton	Skippy and Rockfish	8 lb 12 oz.
Warren Minnett	Tailor and 1 Skipjack	8 $\frac{1}{2}$ lbs.
Jim Strong	Skippy and Rockfish	8 $\frac{1}{2}$ lbs.
Ron McQueen	Skippy	7 $\frac{3}{4}$ lbs.
Harry Barrott	Skippy and Herring	7 $\frac{3}{4}$ lbs.
Steve Dumitro	Skippy and Flathead	6 lbs.
Lofty Griffiths	Mixed Bag including an Eel.	5 lb 6 oz.
Don Webb	Herring and Rockfish	3 lb 13 oz.
Mick Dawson	Skippy	3 lbs.
Roger Broinowski	Rock fish	2 lbs.
Ken Hunt	Skippy	1 $\frac{1}{2}$ lbs.
J. Mathews	Rock fish	$\frac{1}{2}$ lbs.
Bruce McIntyre (Visitor)	2 Tailor & Herring	5 lbs.
Les Newton (Junior)	"Chad" fish	3 $\frac{1}{2}$ lbs.
S. Stubbs (Junior Visitor)	Tailor	3 $\frac{1}{2}$ lbs.

1965 Field Day Officer, Jim Strong

The 1965 Recorder, Ron Shirley, reported:

Three fish caught on our last venue (Rottnest) have been submitted as possible State Records. They were:

Ron Kildahl's 1 lb. 12 oz Red Mullet (Goat Fish),

Les Newton's 3 lb. 8 oz. "Chad", and

Eric Sullivan's 2 lb. "Yellowtail" Kingfish.

Going by the Fish Recorder's section, Steve Dumitro had a State record Flathead in his bag as also did Lofty Griffiths with an Eel.

Reprinted from the October 1965 Reel Talk.

Ron Kildahl's Goat Fish became a Club record which stood for 50 years, and was beaten by a Goat fish tipping the scales at 1.09kg caught by Shane Wignell on the August 2015 Field day at Rottnest Island.

President's report for September

When writing a report on the club there is a time when you need to state the bleeding obvious. I do not like being negative but we need to have a serious look at where we are going sometimes.

There has been a lot going on behind the scenes for a while but as members of a club such as ours we need to make decisions on what we want and where we are going because we need to realise that we should be enjoying the comradery and the activities of the club because that is the major benefit as well as learning casting and fishing and seeing new locations.

We can all plan but unless we are working together and participating in what we offer as a club the first thing you burn is the people who keep things going and put in the hard yard.

At the moment we have a major problem with casting as we have lost a location which have had for 37 years and it is hard to find a replacement. This is contributing to a downturn in attendances along with other problems which are personal and need to be sorted out. We have two great people putting in the hard work in Ron Thomas and Gary Gildersleeves who are trying to give us what we want and keep casting flowing, but they need your support. Hop in and help out and support them by your attendance.

Our field days seem to be losing direction as we spend at least three months prior to the competition year selecting the most appropriate venues, and then go fishing elsewhere when the time comes. The venues are selected in advance so members can plan ahead, fish together, learn how to fish the locations and conditions and achieve on an equal basis from a competitive basis for those who are interested. The comradery is the main measure because that is the hub of what a club is about

The downside is that we rely on people like Peter Osborne and Ken Howells to organise and make these events happen. But when you have as little as one person attend a venue or very small numbers going to them, then they will be asking themselves is it worth the effort, and who then will be taking on the job. Without them we would not function.

At the moment I have no one come forward and offer to be our social organiser. All he or she has to do is to organise the events and form a social committee and there are a number of people prepared to help such a Shane Wignell and Michael Pisano and others. Our social events are a major factor in what the club is all about, are also a major source of revenue and need your support and help.

Victor Schilo, our Treasurer, has prepared a budget but he cannot function if we do not have income from Social events, field days and casting. We cannot afford to run any of these events at a loss.

We are currently sorting out the direction and management of our Kalbarri property with our property officer Eric Parker and also Victor Schilo involved, but we also need people to use our property to give us the return to help balance the books. Members need to promote this as well.

I am pleased to see a couple of new younger people on our committee in Justin Rose and Michael Pisano because youth and young family men are what we need to give us a future. They have to work their programs around their family lives which is no different to what we have all done in the past but their input is what we need to be able to plan for the future. Welcome to you both.

We currently have a very good committee to guide our club and the way to get the best out of them is to support their efforts and communicate in a positive way.

I feel sorry for Ray Walker as he rang me this week and his problems seem to be still continuing. He told me finally got the reconditioned motor fitted and all the jobs done on his car and finally hooked up his camper and headed north only to have the motor overheat and he had to be towed back to Broome and they are having trouble sorting out the problem still.

I do not know how he keeps his sanity as I think I would certainly have lost it by now. He told me he now will have to alter his plans a little but he is still planning to keep going. I admire

you Ray as you certainly roll with the punches. He said he was impressed with the people he has met and the help he has received.

Geoff Raftis rang and said he and Rhonda were headed for Gundagai and then on to Canberra and they were finally enjoying fantastic weather. He said he has not been able to catch a Murray Cod as the last time he was using a five ounce sinker and still could not hold the bottom. There is a lot of water coming down the Murray at the moment. He passes on his regards to us all.

Mark Nurse and some other members have caught some good fish at Preston recently. Mark certainly knows how to fish as he continues to catch quality fish wherever he goes. His latest effort is 11.61 kilogram mulloway and his smile was nearly as big as the fish.

President 2015/16, George Holman

Recorder's report, September 2015

Mark Nurse is still getting witness signatures for some of his recent catches and is not likely to make it in time for a report in this Reel Talk, so there is nothing further to report except that I am waiting in anticipation of some worthy entries.

Recorder 2015/16, Justin Rose

Club records

<http://www.surfcasters.iinet.net.au/ClubFishingRecords.pdf> has the full up to date listing of Club fishing records, and <http://www.surfcasters.iinet.net.au/DryCastingRecords.html> has Club Dry casting records. The policy "Recognition of Club records" is on the website and also on page 35 of the November 2014 Reel Talk.

Masters and Grand Masters badges

Please see the articles on pages 15 to 21 of the October 2014 Reel Talk for details of these badges and the Club's recent policy on recognising catches by members of the Club.

Application forms. Masters fish must be caught on Field days, so an entry form is not required from the member. Grand Masters entries for fish caught on Field days will be done by the Recorder, but fish caught other than on Field Days must be submitted to the Recorder on the application form.

<http://www.surfcasters.iinet.net.au/MastersEntries.pdf> has the full list of Masters entries for current members of the Club. A member may ask for a species to be added to their Masters by advising the Recorder of the details of an eligible capture already recorded in any of the Club's fishing Field day competitions.

<http://www.surfcasters.iinet.net.au/GrandMastersEntries.pdf> has the full list of Grand Masters entries for current members of the Club. A member may ask for a species to be added to their Grand Masters by advising the Recorder of the details of an eligible capture already recorded in any of the Club's fishing Field days or Open competitions.

Species badge

<http://www.surfcasters.iinet.net.au/SpeciesCompetitionEntries.pdf> has the full list of current members' recorded catches. An entry form is not required from the member for Species if the fish is separately weighed and recorded in the Field Day catch list. Species entries for fish caught other than on Field Days must be submitted to the Recorder on the application form.

A member may ask for a species to be added to their Species count by advising the Recorder of the details of an eligible capture already recorded in any of the Club's fishing Field days or Open competitions.

Recorder 2015/16, Justin Rose

Open fishing competition 2015/16

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. Sections are:

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	Martin Wearmouth, 5.9kg, Kalbarri, 6 July 2015
4	Best salmon	3.5 kg	Mark Nurse, 5.8kg salmon, Preston Beach, 28 June 2015
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	Martin Wearmouth, 3.99kg salmon, North Cottesloe, 23 May 2015
9	Best pink snapper	2 kg	Mark Nurse, 11.25kg pink snapper, Preston Beach, 28 June 2015
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	Ray Walker, 8kg king threadfin, 80 Mile Beach, 5 June 2015. Note 2
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	Martin Wearmouth, 4kg (est) salmon, North Cottesloe, 24 May 2015. Note 1

Note 1. Fish was released and the weight was estimated. Any future weighed entry of 4.0kg or more will replace this entry.

Note 2. Fish weight was estimated. Any future weighed entry of 8.0kg or more will replace this entry.

Recorder 2015/16, Justin Rose

Barron Lure competition 2015/16

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 Club's Open fishing competition, plus fish must be caught on a popper lure, and a single fish cannot win more than one of the Barron Lure sections.

Heaviest tailor on Popper.

No entry yet

Heaviest Salmon on Popper.

No entry yet

Heaviest Scale Fish on Popper.

No entry yet

Recorder 2015/16, Justin Rose

Club Competition Rules and Club Constitution

The latest version of the Club's Fishing and Dry Casting Competition Rules is dated 16 May 2014.

The current legal version of the Constitution as registered with the Department of Commerce is dated 30 September 2009 to identify it, but the contents are from an unknown much earlier time.

That Club Constitution is very old and has many problems. New laws for Incorporated Associations now have different requirements. Department of Commerce provides a sample constitution which will make it easier to meet these requirements.

If you have any earlier versions, please mark them as out of date if you want to keep them for future reference, or throw them away and get a current version.

Contact the Secretary for a copy or see the club's web site for the online versions. See <http://www.surfcasters.iinet.net.au/Rules.html>

Reel Talk Editor, Terry Fuller

Taking photos of fish

We all like to have photos of our fish to show to other people and get published. There are some points to remember when taking photos of your fish which will give good results even with simple cameras.

Make sure the fish is clean, with no sand, no blood, no visible slime or any bits hanging out, and fins and tail spread as naturally as possible.

Choose the background, try to get a neutral and uniform area, without distracting cars, tree trunks, buildings, signs, poles, boxes, other people, beer cans, etc

Check the lighting. Set your camera **to use the flash every time, even in daylight.**

Otherwise photos in the sun will have too high contrast and dark areas. If your flash is powerful enough it will nicely "fill in" the shadows, but there's still the problem of the person holding the fish squinting at the bright light.

A photo taken in the shade with "fill in" flash often gives a better picture. Look out for and avoid very bright sunlit areas in the background which can affect the exposure, unless you know how to set your camera to ignore or compensate for these.

Compose the picture to photograph only the important part, fill the frame with the person holding the fish, rotate the camera for portrait photos, where the height is more than the width, or landscape photos, the usual orientation of a camera.

Have the person hold the fish close at a 30 to 45 degree angle with the head upright, with most fingers concealed behind the fish.

Don't get the camera too close to the fish, because this can distort the image, make the fish look bigger than it really is, and make some parts over-exposed compared to other parts due to the flash.

Don't hold the fish out towards the camera, because this distorts the photo and makes the fish look larger than it really is. You may think this effect is good, but it is very obvious, **is misleading and often won't get published.**

Make sure the camera focuses on the fish. Read the manual for how your camera focuses and lets you know when it is ready, particularly in low light. And then practice with the settings and see the results.

Above all, take at least 2 photos of each pose, preferably more, and take photos of a couple of different poses. After all, digital photos cost you just zero cents each, and having several is good insurance against some photos having some problems, and lets you select the best.

If you have an external flash supporting E-TTL (Evaluative-Through-The-Lens) operation, see "An Introduction to External Flash Units" at <http://digital-photography-school.com/an-introduction-to-external-flash-units/> for some great tips on setting the camera to get the best out of your flash and camera combination.

Reel Talk Editor, Terry Fuller

Management of South Coast Commercial Fisheries

A new Fisheries Management Paper has been released setting out proposed plans for the future management of a number of South Coast commercial fisheries.

Among the Department of Fisheries' proposals, which are now open for public comment, is placing this group of fisheries under two new management plans.

The purpose of this paper is to set the context for the Review of South Coast Commercial Fish Trap, G-net and Open-Access Line and Net Scalefish Fisheries and Squid Jig Fishery (Review). This includes providing an overview of these fisheries, summarising the issues relevant to these fisheries and providing the Department of Fisheries' proposed direction for the future management of these fisheries on the South Coast for discussion and consultation.

This paper was designed and prepared by the Department to encourage public involvement in the development of formal management proposals that will form the basis for the development of formal management arrangements for these fisheries under the review.

Comments regarding the contents of this discussion paper are sought from all stakeholders, including commercial and recreational fishers, industry members and organisations, relevant community interest groups, government agencies and interested members of the public.

Following consideration of the management-related matters raised in submissions on the discussion paper, the Department will finalise proposals for consultation with those that are likely to gain access to the relevant fishery/fishing activity.

While this is occurring the Department will establish an Independent Panel to consider and make recommendations on future access to the FBL condition (fish trap and G-net fishing) and open-access activities/fisheries (i.e. line, squid and net fishing) for the purposes of the Review.

The recommendations will then be considered by the Department and subject to the Minister for Fisheries approval, form the basis of legislation to give effect to the future management of these fisheries.

Although specific proposals have been outlined for comment, your views are sought on any of the matters in the document that are of significance to you and/or your group.

The oceanic waters of the South Coast between Black Point, 115°30'S and the Western Australian/South Australian border are the last in Western Australia where commercial open-access line and net fishing activities remain. The rest of WA either has formal management arrangements in place for these fishing activities/methods or has been through a similar Review process.

See Fisheries Management Paper 270 – The South Coast Commercial Fish Trap, G-Net and Open-Access Line and Net Scalefish Fisheries and Squid Jig Fishery Review
http://www.fish.wa.gov.au/Documents/management_papers/fmp270.pdf

On 18 December 2014, the Minister advised WAFIC and Recfishwest that as part of a package to address herring stock issues, the South Coast G-net fishery would be closed on 1 March 2015. At that time the Minister also advised that it was his intention to establish a voluntary fisheries adjustment scheme for affected G-net fishers and to undertake a review of the status and management arrangements (including the ongoing closure of the G-net fishery) for herring in late 2016. The development of formal management arrangements for the G-net fishery through this Review will be subject to the outcomes of the G-net fishery voluntary fisheries adjustment scheme and the review of herring stock status and management arrangements (due in late 2016)

These will only cover commercial fishing in the ocean, not in the estuaries where most of the interactions occur between commercial and recreational fishers.

The public comment period will end on 6 November 2015.

Reel Talk Editor, Terry Fuller

Kalbarri House for rent (updated August)

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 (updated August)

Off season	\$300 per week	On season	\$400 per week	} \$100 deposit/bond } plus \$70 cleaning
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 surfcaster@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.surfcaster.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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