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Minutes of General Meeting 10 February 2010

Refer to end of minutes for a list of action points, marked by **AP#**.

Venue:- Coolbinia West Perth Amateur Football and Sporting Club room. Commenced 8:01 pm. President George Holman presiding.

Present:- 28 members, 3 nominees.

Apologies:- Geoff Raftis, Dean Stewart.

Visitors:- Steven Gee.

New members:- John Curtis and Ray Walker were welcomed to the club and presented with their membership packs.

Minutes of previous meeting:- **Moved** Marcia Pekaar, seconded Jim Strong the minutes as published in Reel Talk are a true record, carried.

Previous Committee meeting:- Minutes Secretary Terry Fuller advised the minutes were available as advised at the previous General meeting.

Terry Fuller advised that the reasons for the Committee's recommendation to change the March field day to Bluff Creek were published in Reel Talk. He moved that the Committee's recommendation be accepted, seconded Jim Strong. Carried 14-10.

Secretary's report:-

Correspondence In:-	BT	Quarterly, 7 January 2010
	Easy Grants	Newsletter subscription reminder
	Westpac	Statement 31 Dec to 29 Jan 2010
	Ray White	Accounts period ending 1 Feb 2010
	Shaun Murphy	Family membership application
Correspondence out:-	Ray Walker	Acceptance into the Club
	John Curtis	Acceptance into the Club
	Quobba Station	$200 deposit booking for 8 rooms (G Holman)
	Ernie Bailie	Club information
	David Scott	Club information
	Shaun and Stephen Murphy	Club information
	Nick Edwards, Wayne Shaw, Shane & Maureen Wignell, Pat & Aine McKeown, Simon & Alicia Ryan, Clive Verburgt	Membership applications have been placed in Feb Reel Talk
	Ray White	Change of the Property Officer
	City of Stirling	Requesting confirmation of Yokine Reserve booking - winter period 2010
Emails in/out:-	Jennifer Ayres	Enquiry on advertising
	Gary Houghton	Cannot complete membership due to his work commitments
	City of Stirling	Summer 2010 seasonal changeover dates.
	Lisa Biggs	Enquiry on overnight 4wd accessible beach north of Perth
	Dave Tickner	Enquiry on Alvey Reels
Phone calls	Barry Hayes	Club enquiry
	John Ford	Club enquiry
	Ray White, Kalbarri	Arrange installation of 2 RCDs and 2 smoke alarms

Mark Hansen thanked members for their cards and visits during his recent illness.

Moved Andy Thorgersen, seconded Allan Jones that correspondence be received, carried.

Treasurer's report:- Terry Fuller reported:-

Accounts for payment

John Crompton	Carton Carlton Midstrength	$33.90	
John Crompton	Fat Sorb for barbecue	$9.96	
John Crompton	Coles various cool drinks & 600mls water	$92.99	
John Crompton	BBQ gas lighters x 2 pkt.	$3.00	Social Organiser total
John Crompton	BBQ sundries + Gen. Meeting biscuits	$54.24	$194.09
John Crompton	Brother HL-2142 laser printer	$99.00	

John Crompton	General stationery	$70.90	
John Crompton	Photo copying new members details	$20.00	
John Crompton	Stamps	$22.00	Secretary total
John Crompton	Copying	$6.60	$218.50
George Holman	2 tackle boxes @ $15.00 each	$30.00	
George Holman	2 lure boxes @ $6.00 each	$12.00	
George Holman	Shakespeare knife & sheath	$15.00	
George Holman	Reef bag	$8.00	G Holman total
George Holman	Batteries for scales	$16.05	$81.05
Terry Fuller	Feb Reel Talk printing Officeworks	$112.20	
Terry Fuller	Feb Reel Talk postage	$63.80	
Terry Fuller	Postage	$3.30	
Terry Fuller	Toner cartridge for Reel Talk printer	$99.00	T Fuller total
Terry Fuller	Staples for Reel Talk	$7.40	$285.70
Total accounts for payment		**$779.34**	
Bank Balance as at 10 February		$13,866.44	
Accounts for payment		$779.34	
Available balance after payment of accounts		**$13,087.10**	
Cash held for banking		$114.50	

Ian Cook advised that he had paid the Sheridan's account listed in January accounts and been reimbursed. Cheque #201202 for $148.31 to be cancelled, and has been excluded from above.

Moved Marcia Pekaar, seconded Jim Strong that Treasurer's report be received and accounts be passed for payment, carried.

Property Officer:- Malcolm Head reported bookings as listed in Reel Talk.

Field Day Officer:- A Field Day Officer and Assistant are still needed to fill the vacancies.

Peter Pekaar reported on the January Field Day at Floreat Drain.

The February Field day will be at Cervantes, details as listed in Reel Talk. Peter and Marcia will be fishing at Floreat Drain and would welcome company from other members.

Mark Hansen returned the scales and tripod.

Dry Casting Officer:- Allan Jones gave some details of the February dry casting as covered in Reel Talk.

AAA report:- AAA Rock and Beach Championships will be held at Jurien on 13/14 March.

Social Organiser:- John Crompton reported on the night cast and barbecue held on 30 January.

John requested copies of all correspondence Michelle Walker sent and received whilst she was Social Organiser. Michelle said that prior to general meetings she had emailed John a list of the letters sent and received.

Recorder:- Vince Iozzi will meet Ian Cook for a handover.

Reel Talk Editor:- Terry Fuller asked members for any articles and comments.

He advised that folders of many past years of Reel Talks are available for loan to members. See details in Reel Talk under "Back copies of Reel Talk available to members."

Notice of motion:- None.

General business:- Terry Fuller asked members to put in their suggestions for Field Day venues for the coming year.

George Holman asked members to consider donating a trophy for the Presentation Night to be held on 26 June. **AP GM2/10 #1**

George reminded members that flags for vehicles are available from the club and should be used on tracks for safety.

Ian Cook advised he would not be available to organise arrangements for the coming Rottnest field day. Peet Wessels offered to get details from Ian and arrange.

Fishing competition times at Rottnest to be decided. **AP GM2/10 #2**

Ian Cook asked if there was any interest in name badges for members similar to those obtained for life members.

Mark Hansen asked if the Length Competition could be formalized and included in the coming year's events. **AP GM2/10 #3**

Busy bee:- A busy bee is scheduled for Saturday 6 March to move furniture and remove carpets at Jim Strong's place, . Contact John Crompton for more details. **AP GM2/10 #4**

Raffle:- Tackle box won by Sabby Pizzolante, Shoulder bag won by Allan Jones.

Meeting closed:- Formal meeting closed at 9:17 pm.

Instruction period:- Terry Fuller gave a slide show and a talk on "Reading the Beach" (and rocks and reefs) to help choose your fishy fishing spots.

Action points from February 2010 General meeting.			
No.	**Action**	**By**	**Status**
AP GM2/10 #1	Members to consider donating a trophy for the Presentation Night to be held on 26 June	All members	
AP GM2/10 #2	Decide fishing competition times at Rottnest	Committee	
AP GM3/10 #3	Length Competition to be formalized and included in the coming year's events.	Committee	
AP GM3/10 #4	A busy bee is scheduled for Saturday 6 March at Jim Strong's	All members	

Coming Club events

March Dry Casting

When:- Sunday 7 March 2010. Competition casting starts 8:30am.

Where:- Yokine Reserve, Wordsworth Avenue

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

All casters please assist with the setting up of the casting courts, targets, etc at the beginning of the day after setting up your own casting gear.

Please assist with the retrieval and packing up of the casting equipment at the end of the day's events.

Seniors (and Ladies) will be casting accuracy first, Veterans will cast distance first.

March General meeting

When:- Wednesday 10 March, 8:00pm.

Where:- Coolbinia West Perth Amateur Football and Sporting Club room, off Wordsworth Avenue, Yokine, about 200 metres south east of the Yokine Bowling Club.

Sign In:- Please remember to have your name ticked on the attendance sheet. See Jim Strong or Dean Stewart.

Instruction Period:- Lures by George Holman.

March Committee meeting

When:- Wednesday 17 March 2010, 7:30pm.

Where:- Coolbinia West Perth Amateur Football and Sporting Club room.

March Field Day

When:- Saturday/Sunday/Monday 27/28 February / 1 March.

Where:- Bluff Creek

Sign On:- Saturday 12 noon Bluff Creek camping area.

Barbecue:- 12 noon Sunday to 2:00 pm Sunday. Check at the sign on for confirmation of times. If you don't come to the barbecue, you must stop fishing for those times. It's a great time for socialising with your fellow club members and yet another highlight of the Bluff Creek field days when we go back to how field days used to be "in the good old days".

Weigh in:- Monday 10 am Bluff Creek camping area.

Boundaries:- As far as you can walk past the rocks at eastern end of the beach, to Cheynes Beach.

Tides for Albany	Sat 27 Feb	0.15m @ 5:40am	0.66m @ 11:52am	0.49 @ 4:06pm	1.13m @ 10:48pm	**Moonrise** **Sunrises**	About 5:40pm at 75 deg About 5:55am at 100 deg
	Sun 28 Feb	0.22m @ 5:58am	0.69m@ 12:02pm	0.44m @ 4:50pm	1.05m @ 11:30pm	**Moonset** **Moonrise**	About 5:05am at 281 deg About 6:15pm at 83 deg
	Mon 1 Mar	0.31m @ 6:09am	0.74m @ 12:17pm	0.42m @ 5:34pm	0.91m @ 12:17am	**Moonset** **Sunsets**	About 6:15am at 273 deg About 6:45pm at 260 deg

Local Field Day for March

When:- Saturday/Sunday/Monday 27/28 February / 1 March.

Sign On: At the General Meeting or to Marcia or Peter Pekaar by 6:00 pm on the day before the Field Day.

Lines Down:- Saturday at 12 noon. Contact Marcia or Peter Pekaar if you'd like to fish with club members.

Weigh in:- Monday at 10 am at G Holman's house, rear of 89 Clontarf St. Sorrento. Scales will be available on his 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 or emailed to Marcia or Peter Pekaar by 8:00 pm that night.

Boundaries:- Penguin Island to north wall of the Two Rocks Marina, including the Swan and Canning Rivers.

Tides for Fremantle	Sat 27 Feb	0.40m @ 4:51am	0.70m @ 11:36am	0.69m @ 1:22pm	1:06m @ 9:08pm	**Moonrise** **Sunrises**	About 5:50pm at 75 deg About 6:05am at 100 deg
	Sun 28 Feb	0.45m @ 4:57am	0.73m @ 11:21am	0.66m @ 2:53pm	0.99m @ 10:03pm	**Moonset** **Moonrise**	About 5:20am at 281 deg About 6:25pm at 83 deg
	Mon 1 Mar	0.52m @ 5:07am	0.79m @ 11:39am			**Moonset** **Sunsets**	About 6:30am at 273 deg About 6:55pm at 260 deg

April Field Day

When:- Saturday/Sunday/Monday 24/25/26 April 2010

Where:- Bluff Creek.

Sign On:- Saturday 12 noon Bluff Creek camping area.

Barbecue:- 12 noon Sunday to 2:00 pm Sunday. Check at the sign on for confirmation of times. If you don't come to the barbecue, you must stop fishing for those times. It's a great time for socialising with your fellow club members and yet another highlight of the Bluff Creek field days when we go back to how field days used to be "in the good old days".

Weigh in:- Monday 10 am Bluff Creek camping area.

Boundaries:- As far as you can walk past the rocks at eastern end of the beach, to Cheynes Beach.

Tides for Albany							
	Sat 24 Apr	0.45m at 3:23am	0.88m at 10:01am	0.67m at 3:25pm	0.95m at 9:07pm	**Moonrise** **Sunrises**	About 2:45pm at 84 deg About 6:35am at 75 deg
	Sun 25 Apr	0.50m at 3:31am	0.95m at 9:54am	0.57m at 4:08pm	0.91m at 10:00pm	**Moonset** **Moonrise**	About 2:45am at 273 deg About 3:15pm at 91 deg
	Mon 26 Apr	0.56m at 3:38am	1.03m at 10:05am	0.49m at 4:51pm	0.84m at 10:48pm	**Moonset** **Sunsets**	About 3:55am at 265 deg About 5:30pm at 285 deg

Local Field Day for April

When:- Saturday/Sunday/Monday 24/25/26 April.

Sign On: At the General Meeting or to Marcia or Peter Pekaar by 6:00 pm on the day before the Field Day.

Lines Down:- Saturday 12 noon

Weigh in:- Monday at 10 am at G Holman's house, rear of 89 Clontarf St. Sorrento. Scales will be available on his 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 or emailed to Marcia or Peter Pekaar by 8:00 pm that night.

Boundaries:- Penguin Island to north wall of the Two Rocks Marina, including the Swan and Canning Rivers.

Tides for Fremantle							
	Sat 24 Apr	0.65m at 2:20am	0.90m at 9:07 am	0.85m at 1:01 pm	0.94m at 7:01 pm	**Moonrise** **Sunrises**	About 2:50pm at 84 deg About 6:45am at 75 deg
	Sun 25 Apr	0.70m at 2:00 am	0.96m at 8:41 am	0.77m at 2:42 pm	0.90m at 8:39 pm	**Moonset** **Moonrise**	About 2:55am at 273 deg About 3:25pm at 91 deg
	Mon 26 Apr	0.75m at 2:01 am	1.03m at 8:49 am	0.69m at 3:41 pm	0.85m at 9:58 pm	**Moonset** **Sunsets**	About 4:05am at 265 deg About 5:45pm at 285 deg

Calendar for next three months

Here's a calendar showing the dates we will use for Dry Casting, General and Committee Meetings, and Field Days in the next three months.

27 AAA Event							22 Quobba Safari																	
7 Dry Casting							10 General Meeting							***15*** ***16*** Field Day							~~17~~ Committee Meeting			

March 2010							**April 2010**							**May 2010**						
Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
1	2	3	4	5	6	**7**				1	2	3	4						1	**2**
8	9	10	11	12	***13***	***14***	5	6	7	8	9	10	**11**	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
15	16	~~17~~	18	19	20	21	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	10	11	12	13	14	***15***	***16***
22	23	24	25	26	27	28	19	20	~~21~~	22	23	***24***	***25***	17	18	~~19~~	20	21	22	23
29	30	31					***26***	27	28	29	30			24	25	26	27	28	29	30

Bluff Creek Field Day 27/28 Feb/1 March 2010

Members at the February General meeting accepted the Committee's recommendation the *"March"* long weekend Field Day be to Bluff Creek, east of Albany.

DO NOT MISS THIS FIELD DAY!!. If you don't own a 4WD then ask another member for a lift. This is a FAMILY Field Day location so bring your wife or partner, friends and children or as a last option your dog. This is one of the best locations we go to for a club field day.

As in past years, a barbecue will be held from 12 noon Sunday to 2:00pm Sunday. It's a great time for socialising with your fellow club members and yet another highlight of the Bluff Creek field day when we go back to how field days used to be "in the good old days".

It has all the right ingredients for a great weekend. The camp site is protected from a lot of the wind and is near a fresh water creek, great for washing. You do need to take fresh water for drinking, tea making etc.

The weather can vary from drizzle to perfect to very hot, but most days there's a strong breeze and that's usually from the left along the beach.

Kilometres of beaches like this !!!!

Bluff Creek is east of Albany and is only accessible by 4WD. Once there, access to the camp site can be along the beach or through the dunes above the beach, which is usually reasonably easy, although getting off the beach to the camping area with a loaded trailer can need a good run up.

There are kilometers of open beach for fishing. Some reef fishing spots are within easy distance of the camping area. A long or good casting rod is a great asset as the trevally sometimes congregate around the offshore reefs. This is where your dry casting practice comes into good use for distance and placing the bait accurately.

The beaches and water are in pristine condition so it is really a very pleasant spot to just relax and enjoy the outdoors. We recommend this Field Day to all new members as the fishing is easy and there will be plenty of experienced members on hand to help.

Usually a group of members go down in convoy to Bluff Creek on the Friday morning so anyone wishing to join in please raise this at the General Meeting.

Reel Talk Editor, Terry Fuller

How to get to Bluff Creek

There are two main ways to get to Bluff Creek.

The simplest way is, with no map needed:- From Mount Barker, go towards Albany, turn left into Millbrook Road, 17 km to King River, left onto the South Coast Highway (Albany-Jerramungup Road) to Manypeaks, 6 km more to Cheyne Beach Road, 7 km more to Bluff Creek Road (gravel) on the right, 9 km in on Bluff Creek Road to the start of the 4WD track to the beach. Stop here and let down your tyres.

An alternative which uses several gravel roads and needs a good local map, is to take the Porongorup Road from Mount Barker to the Chester Pass road, use Mindijup road until you cross a ford over the Kalgan River. Find your way onto Fish Track Road to the South Coast Highway. From here, it's 5 km to Manypeaks, and on to Bluff Creek as above.

Fuel. Manypeaks has fuel but only during shop hours, and closes at 5 pm most days. If you intend traveling at night, the Mount Barker service station used to close at 10pm. Check for yourself before relying on this information. Mt Barker BP Roadhouse 9851 1222

If you need fuel after 10pm, you may need to go to Albany to refuel at one of the 24 hour stations. From there go out the South Coast Highway (Albany-Jerramungup Road) to Manypeaks, and continue as above.

Track to the beach is definitely 4 wheel drive only, and once you're on the track there are very few places to turn or get off the track and there are soft uphill sandy sections.

With the loads carried for a long weekend camping trip, you **must** let your tyres down to beach driving pressures **before starting on the track.** Suggest 20 psi or less but it's your responsibility to have pressures suitable for your vehicle, tyres and load, and use 4WD as there are some very soft uphill sections. The track gets badly chewed up by people who don't consider other people and leave their tyres at normal pressure or only let them down a little bit.

The track starts off easy across fairly flat country, but you'll come to a place where the track splits for a hundred metres or so and comes back together before going a bit right and up a hill. This is the start of a soft uphill section which goes on and up for quite a way and you don't want to get stuck on this.

The last uphill section is beach sand and sometimes covered by fresh sand drifts, dry and quite soft, with a steep bit at the top on a right hand curve. If you get stuck here it's a job to get moving again, and no one can get past you. It's easy with the right tyre pressures and keeping moving. After that you're into the sand dunes downhill and on to the beach.

Those of you who stayed for the "Reading the Beach" presentation at the February General meeting will have seen the aerial photos of the track, camping area etc.

According to Google maps, the track meets the beach at 34°48'03.71" South, 118°24'35.51" East. Travel east along the beach for about 4km till you reach the west side of the creek and the camp site. The creek meets the beach at 34°45'33.77" South, 118°26'29.11" East. If you have a GPS it might be worth checking and recording this to use when coming back to camp in the dark.

If you have time on the way back to Perth, the route through the Porongorups Ranges is a magnificent drive with great scenery. Allow a couple of extra hours to go this way.

Reel Talk Editor, Terry Fuller

AAAWA State Rock and Beach Fishing Championships

The 2009/10 State Rock and Beach Fishing Championships will be held at Jurien Bay on Saturday and Sunday 13/14 March 2010. Boundaries are from the Cervantes jetty to the Greenhead jetty including the jetties.

Briefing, weigh-in and presentations will be at Jurien Bay Tourist Caravan Park. Registration times from 11am to 12am, briefing at 12 noon on Saturday. Lines down at 1pm. Weigh in commences at 10am sharp on Sunday. All bags must be in weigh-in area by 10am. Presentations to commence after weigh-in (approximately 11am).

Nomination forms and a briefing sheet are on the AAAWA website http://www.aaawa.iinet.net.au and some will be available at the General Meeting. Please consider nominating yourself as an individual and as a SCAC team member for this event.

AAAWA Delegate, Terry Fuller

2009/2010 Dry Casting dates

All are at Yokine Reserve, Wordsworth Avenue, Yokine, with competition starting 8:30am.

Sunday 7 March 2010

Sunday 11 April 2010 (**Note:-** It's not the first Sunday 4 April, that's Easter Sunday)

2009/2010 Field Day dates, venues and boundaries

The following is the list of Field Day dates, venues and boundaries for the remainder of the year.

Dates	Venue	Boundaries and more details
27/28 February-1 March 2010 LWE	Bluff Creek	Cheynes Beach to as far as you can walk past the rocks at the eastern end of the beach.
13-14 March 2010	Jurien	AAAWA State Rock and Beach Fishing Championships, Jurien (Cervantes to Green Head).
24-26 April 2010 LWE	Bluff Creek.	Cheynes Beach to as far as you can walk past the rocks at the eastern end of the beach.

2009/2010 General meeting dates

All at Coolbinia West Perth Amateur Football and Sporting Club room, Wordsworth Avenue, Yokine. Meeting starts 8:00pm.

Wednesday 10 March 2010 Wednesday 14 April 2010

Bookings for Kalbarri house in 2010

The Club's Kalbarri house has bookings in 2010 for the following dates. All other dates not listed are currently available. This list is at 20 February and does not include any bookings which may have been made between then and whenever you read this. Contact Property Officer Mal Head for bookings.

March	
April	1 April to 8 April, 10 April to 17 April, 17 April to 24 April, 24 April to 30 April.
May	1 May to 8 May, 10 May to 23 May.
June	
July	
August	2 August to 11 August
September	25 September to 30 September.
October	1 October to 2 October, 16 October to 31 October.
November	1 November to 6 November.
December	

Property Officer, Mal Head

Presentation night in 2010

This Presentation night will be the culmination of the Club's 2009/2010 competition year.

A booking has been made for Saturday 26 June 2010 at the Gleneagles Reception Centre, Marmion Avenue Karrinyup, where the Presentation night was held in 2009.

Social Organiser, John Crompton

Paying for drinks at Club functions

The Drinks in the Esky at Club functions have been bought with club money and are for sale, they are not free.

The Esky is not locked, and the Social Organiser has many other things to do at club functions, so we rely on your honesty to pay for what you take, or, if you must, leave an IOU note.

Social Organiser, John Crompton

President's report

Two casting days and two field days have come and gone already and it is pleasing to see the good attendances at both and in particular the number of new members participating. Allan and Gary would like to see even more at casting and are prepared to spend time arranging teaching and showing new arrivals what casting is all about.

I have been involved with the field days also, as we haven't had any takers for a Field Day Officer. I am also pleased to see the good numbers attending and in particular our newer members. There were eight in attendance at the February venue and Shane Wignell and Pat McKeown fished well showing a lot of us how it is done.

The dark horse of the Cervantes field day was Geoff Raftis, who produced a magnificent bag of tailor. The comradery really was great as everyone helped out wherever possible and our Membership Coordinator John Crompton was hard at it.

A good attendance and an enjoyable night at the barbecue and night cast at the Holman's prove these are popular and are easy events to organise. One member and his girlfriend rocked up to our place on the Sunday night though, with steaks and trimmings at the ready.

Good to see Mark Hansen mobile again with a happy and smiling wife Wendy keeping a watchful eye on him. Still a long way to go.

John Crompton has had to pull out of the Cape Cuvier trip so at this moment there are a couple of spare beds in the accommodation I have booked. I will have a meeting at my place for those who will be going, to help them to organise bait, gaffs, and the type of fishing and what they will need and to help with planning and anything else to make the trip a successful one. If you have a preference date ring me and let me know please.

Very impressed with Terry Fuller's presentation of "Reading the Beach" at our last general meeting. He gets better every time and I know all those who stayed learned a lot. He even had some slides of the beaches at Bluff Creek where our next venue is and I hope will encourage some of our newer members to come.

Remember the State Rock and Beach Championships at Jurien Bay on 13/14 March. At this time we have only five members going which is disappointing, but there is still time to make arrangements to go. We have one lady, one man and three veterans nominated. Let's see some more.

Peter Pekaar and myself were nominated at the last AAAWA meeting to attend the National mid-term meeting at South West Rocks in NSW on 26 July 2010 and represent WA.

I have had a good deal of comment from members on our Reel Talk editor putting in information on the way some of our events are conducted and the format and rules. I hope he makes this a feature each month on different club activities. Last month it was on casting and the comments were positive.

Don't forget the busy bee at Jim Strong's on Saturday 6 March. Contact John Crompton for details and time.

I was pleased to have Ray Walker and Pat McKeown present as observers at our last Committee Meeting and was impressed with the input from Vince Iozzi. A lot of business was dealt with but the heavy one for the night was drafting a suggested Field Day list from the lists received and giving them balance and fairness from a competition point of view. Having input from completely new members made it interesting and made some of us think differently. Clubs after all are about all the members.

See you at the Bluff Creek Field Day. For those who can't attend remember there is a local competition as well and a fishing session arranged by Peter Pekaar so contact him and please attend.

President, George Holman

Back copies of Reel Talk available to members

See the article on page 13 of the February Reel Talk for full details of what years are available.

These past copies of Reel Talks have been brought to the January and February General Meetings for loan to members who want to look back through some really interesting stuff from the Club's past.

There has been little interest shown to repay the work involved in lugging two heavy crates to the meeting. Therefore the extra spare Reel Talks which are not in folders will be dumped after the March General meeting, unless someone contacts me about taking some of them.

Members who want to borrow some Reel Talks should contact me and I will bring those specific folders and issues to the meeting. My contact details are on Page 1.

Reel Talk Editor, Terry Fuller

Wanted - back copies of Reel Talk

The following lists the issues we still don't have in the Club's Reel Talk Library. We are looking for donations of these issues, or can copy yours if you want to keep them. A few copies from the early months of 1982 are not in good condition, so we would use any better copies if they were offered for donation or copying.

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Please contact Reel Talk Editor Terry Fuller if you have or can donate any of the missing issues.

Reel Talk Editor, Terry Fuller

Deadline for Reel Talk articles and reports

The Reel Talk is published and posted so that it gets to the members some days before the first event held in the coming calendar month. Some months this gets very tight due to the timing of club events in the current month and early in the next month and the length of time the printers need.

The editor would really appreciate getting items a long time before the deadline, particularly if they have to be typed in, scanned, reformatted, etc. Items received electronically can be put into the magazine in a very short time, subject to space.

All the club events in April are later in the month than usual, so there is plenty of time. The deadline for items for inclusion in the April Reel Talk is **5pm Wednesday, 31 March.**

Reel Talk Editor, Terry Fuller

Members' stories, photos, tips, etc wanted

Do you have any new stories, photos, tips, news items, comments on Club events, etc, etc, to share with other club members? Please send them in to the Reel Talk Editor.

An old fashioned tape recorder is available for use by people who don't have computers. They can just talk into it, and Terry Fuller will type it up for the Reel Talk if required.

Thanks to Wayne Shaw for his great report on his first field day with the Club. It is printed under the heading **Cervantes 13 /14 February 2010** on page 25.

Reel Talk Editor, Terry Fuller

A note of thanks

Some of SCAC members may or may not be aware that I have recently had an unexpected stay at Royal Perth due to emergency abdominal surgery that, apart from other things, caused me to lose 13 kg in 16 days.

Firstly I'd like to thank those members that took the time and effort to come visit me in hospital, your presence and conversation really lifted my spirits and helped shorten the long hours spent on my back.

Secondly, thanks to those that rang asking after my welfare and talked about the outside world.

Thirdly, the SCAC and those that sent "get well cards". Next to the members who spent time with me during my convalescence at home and brought gifts of fishing magazines and freshly caught blue fin tuna sashimi. To all of the above, thank-you.

Mark Hansen

Delay in starting the *"Reading the beach"* instruction period

One of the first things you are told at any briefing about giving presentations using projector and computer equipment is:- *"Check out the venue and the equipment well before the presentation time so you have time to sort out any problems."*

Well the computer equipment, power cords, video cords, laser pointer etc was all my own, checked and know to be in A1 working order. As many of you know, on the General Meeting nights I also have an important Recfishwest Board Meeting. The February one was held in Fremantle which is quite a hike to Yokine, and I didn't have much time before the meeting and I didn't have access to the room earlier in the day.

I apologise for the delay in starting the *"Reading the beach"* instruction period. True to the version of Murphy's Law:- *"If anything can go wrong with the only thing you haven't checked, it will,"* I had trouble working out how to get the projector working.

My thanks to Andrew Vanzyl for his help tracking the particular extension cord which needed to be plugged in. Once that was done, everything was a go. I hope those of you who stayed found something in the presentation which will help you find those fishy fishing spots.

Reel Talk Editor, Terry Fuller

Update of the fishing Field Day spreadsheet and record book

I have been given the "Green Book" field day record book which had the catches up to December, and the Field Day Scoring spreadsheet which was filled in up to and including November.

I have
1. Added the December, January and February catches to the Spreadsheet
2. Added the January and February catches to the "Green Book"

These are normally the Field Day Officer's jobs, but I will be the *"Mr Someone Else"* who does that for the present.

Reel Talk Editor, Terry Fuller

New *Recreational Fishing from Boat Licence*

A Recreational Fishing from Boat Licence (RFBL) will be required from 2 March, 2010 for any general fishing activity carried out with the use of a vessel with a motor.

Examples of where the new licence is required when fishing from a powered boat include line fishing (handline, rod and line, squid jigging); catching crabs; spearfishing; catching octopus; and dip-netting for prawns.

You will be required to have a licence where fish, crabs or shellfish are taken by line fishing, wading or other non-boat based activities, and when you have used a powered boat to reach your fishing location, eg crossing a river, but not when you have used a commercial boat service to reach an Island like Rottnest.

A licence costs $30 per year with 50% reduction for pensioners, senior card holders and under 16s.

Reel Talk Editor, Terry Fuller

Fishing clinic instructors wanted

Recfishwest are always on the lookout for additional fishing clinic instructors to help run their fishing clinics. At times they have had to cancel requested clinics because instructors are not available due to their own commitments.

Any people from any sporting or social clubs who love fishing and would enjoy teaching the art of fishing to children (and sometimes adults) should contact Yvette Guy, Fishing Clinic Co-ordinator, on 9246 3366 who will explain how the clinics are run, payment, etc.

Clinics are run north and south of the river, at Rottnest and in country areas. Check the Recfishwest website http://www.recfishwest.org.au/FishingClinicPage.htm for lots of photos and write ups of some past clinics.

Recfishwest Board Member for AAAWA, Terry Fuller

New member acceptances

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

Nicholas Edwards
Wayne Shaw
Clive Verburgt
Patrick and Aine McKeown
Shane, Maureen, Liam, Emma and Sarah Wignell
Simon & Alicia Ryan

Secretary and Membership Coordinator, John Crompton

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.

Shaun, Anne, Ciara, Stephen, Bridget and Sarah Murphy
Barry and Beverley Hayes

Secretary and Membership Coordinator, John Crompton

Boxes for the Field Day scales

New protective boxes have been made for the Club's two sets of electronic scales.

Vice President, Terry Fuller

How to tie a dropper loop knot

Make a loop in the line. The overall circumference of the loop should be about 50mm longer than you want for the final length of the dropper loop.

Place a match (or similar) where the line crosses over in the loop.

Use your fingers and thumbs and the match to twist the crossover part of the loop around itself.

The hardest part is keeping the loop together until the first turn is made. After that it is easy.

Starting with the head of the match pointing away from you as shown above, rotate the match and the line so the head of the match now points towards you. That is the first half a turn.

Continue rotating the match and line so the match head is pointing away again. That's one full turn.

Use about 6 to 8 full turns when tying this knot in nylon line. As with all knots, more turns are needed for light line, and heavy line can use fewer turns.

Feed the end of the loop through the opening where the match is.

Remove the match, wet the line and all the knot very well and pull the knot up slowly and evenly until it is tight.

All the turns should end up neatly against each other along the main line, and the loop should stand out at right angles to the main line.

You can cut one end of the loop close to the knot so there is only a single line to the hook. If you intend to do this, then use more loops in the knot and leave a short stub of line in case the knot still has a bit of slippage left in it.

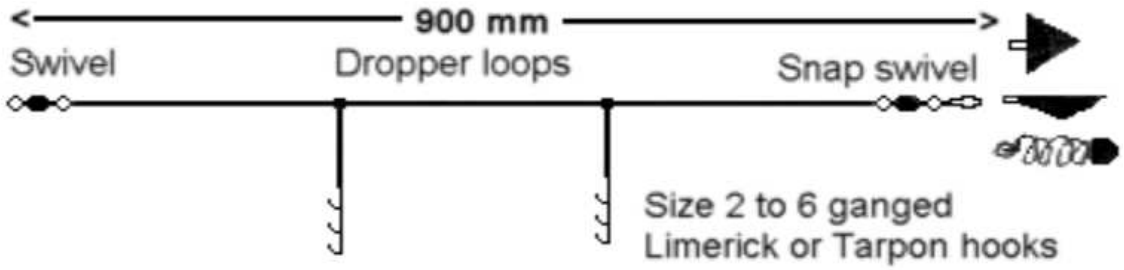
The knot in these photos is made with a heavy shoelace for clarity in the photos and has only about 2½ turns.

Reel Talk Editor, Terry Fuller

Double whitebait or bluebait rig

Ideal for fishing for herring or skippy at Bluff Creek. Uses the dropper loop knot described in the other article. Can be cast a country mile with a reasonable sized sinker even in windy conditions.

I suggest use about 8 to 10kg trace line for this rig if you intend to use it with larger sinkers. All the stress of casting is on those 2 dropper loop knots, and don't forget Salmon love whitebait, so a rig made with light line may let you down if you get a good fish.



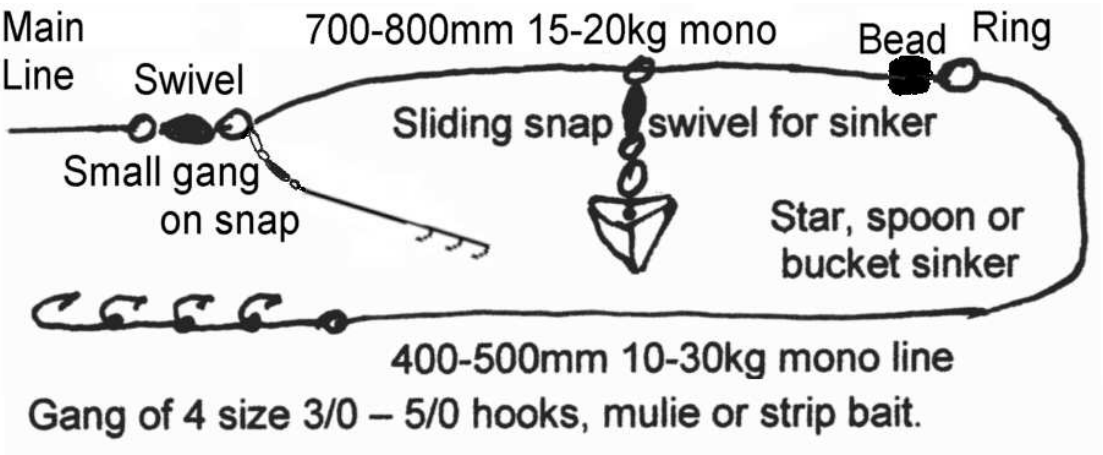
Reel Talk Editor, Terry Fuller

Combination mulie and whitebait rig

This is a basic running sinker rig for a mulie and a whitebait or bluebait. Use it from the beach, or from the rocks or reef in reasonably clear water. Add a cork near the hooks to keep the bait off the bottom if crabs are a problem.

The gang of Limerick or Tarpon size 6 to 2 hooks on a short trace and snap connector, with a whitebait or bluebait is for small fish like herring, skippy, tarwhine, etc. but many good sized fish have been caught on these smaller baits, so make sure the trace is reasonably strong and take it easy if you hook a bigger fish like a Salmon, which love whitebait.

The trace lengths should be chosen with the sinker section much longer than the bottom hook section, as shown, so that the two gangs of hooks cannot tangle with each other.



Reel Talk Editor, Terry Fuller

Wanted – Field Day Officer and Assistant

No one nominated for the Committee positions of Field Day Organiser and Assistant Field Day Organiser. Organising and running the fishing field days are some of the most important activities of the club. Please consider nominating yourself if you can help, or nominate someone else who would be prepared to do the jobs.

Until the club has people elected to these positions, club members will have to pitch in and help run these events. Please contact the Secretary for a list of responsibilities for these committee positions so you know exactly what would be required to be done for the club.

Reel Talk Editor, Terry Fuller

Camping stove safety

With the summer break in full swing, EnergySafety would like remind all consumers of the possible hazards associated with the small butane gas camping stoves. They have become very popular for camping because of their convenience and general ease of operation.

Every year, about this time, EnergySafety receives reports of incidents where these camping stoves have exploded and/or caught fire. To date there have been no reported major injuries from these incidents other than superficial burns.

A typical portable camping stove

Incidents in all cases have been attributed to misuse of the stove, incorrect assembly of the trivet (pan support) and not understanding the instructions for changing the butane gas cylinder.

These camping stoves come complete in a plastic blow formed carry case. It is important to understand the instructions, and that the trivet must be assembled correctly.

In transit, the trivet is inverted to fit inside the carry case. It must be re-assembled correctly for safe operation.

When changing the butane cylinder, make sure it is done away from naked flames, open fires, camping lanterns etc.

The stove is always to be used in a well ventilated area. If a portable camping stove becomes damaged in any way it should be discarded.

These stoves are inexpensive and it is safer to replace it with a new one. When purchasing a camping stove, persons should look for the Australian Gas Association (AGA) approval.

Reprinted from the "Gas Focus" section of WA Department of Commerce Energy Bulletin No 45, January 2009.

Pot is possibly too large for the small camping stove

Reel Talk Editor, Terry Fuller

Publicity for Committee work

In accordance with the decision made at the December Committee meeting, the minutes and recordings of Committee meetings will be made available to members.

These have been placed on the Club website in pages which are password protected and not visible from any other pages on the website. The links and passwords were given to members at the February General Meeting.

For help, contact Minutes Secretary and Website editor Terry Fuller 9447 4545. The password will be changed from time to time. These pages are for the use of SCAC members only, so please do not tell other people about them.

Minutes Secretary, Terry Fuller

Visitors at Committee meetings

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 prior to the meeting to arrange your invitation.

Reel Talk Editor, Terry Fuller

Vehicle safety flags and vehicle stickers

The Club's Code of Ethics says *"Vehicles using beaches or accessing beaches shall be encouraged to use a pole carrying a flag or bunting which shall be a minimum of three (3) metres from ground level on all field trips whilst off road."*

Vehicle orange safety flags are available for $10 each, and club stickers for $2 each, from

Secretary and Membership Coordinator, John Crompton

Club shirts and polo jackets

Please contact the Membership Coordinator, John Crompton on 9249 6209 to purchase any of the following:

Shirts, short or long sleeve $30.00 Polo jackets $50.00 (current stock)

Please use the form at the end of this Reel Talk to advise the Membership Coordinator of the sizes you need.

Membership Coordinator, John Crompton

Happy birthday

Happy birthday to Peter Pekaar, 21 March, Maureen Wignell, 22 March

Some members' birthdays have previously been listed in the Reel Talk. Only the day of the month is listed, not the year of birth, so no one will know how young you are.

Some members definitely do not want their birthdays to be listed. To respect people's privacy, birthdays should not be listed unless the club can be sure the member will allow their birthday to be published.

Please contact the Secretary if you wish or will allow for your birthday (the day and month only, not the year) to be listed. Only people who have advised the Secretary will be listed.

Reel Talk Editor, Terry Fuller

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.

Reel Talk Editor, Terry Fuller

Busy bee for Jim Strong

A busy bee has been organised for Saturday 6 March for a general clean up at Jim Strong's place. Suggested start time 9am. Contact John Crompton for more details.

Over the years, Jim has done lots for this club, and is still doing what he can manage. Now Jim is not in the best of health and really needs some help to be able to continue to live independently in his unit at Yokine. Volunteers are needed. This is a chance for Club members to show their appreciation for what Jim has done for the Club and for them.

Reel Talk Editor, Terry Fuller

Grabbing the opportunity

Peter Pekaar had some days off work at short notice. A few phone calls chose the day, arranged for the supply of the vinyl, teed it all up with Jim Strong, then Peter and I removed the carpet and underlay from Jim Strong's lounge and bedroom, and Peter installed the vinyl.

Vice President, Terry Fuller

The website:- a reference source of Club information

The Club website http://www.surfcasters.iinet.net.au has a lot of club information and reference material on it. Examples are the Constitution, Competition Rules, past Reel Talks, etc, etc. These are freely available to everyone, to the public and to Club members.

A future development could be to provide each member with a unique login and password to access more *"Club Members only"* web pages.

Watch for more information on this in coming months.

Website Editor, Terry Fuller

Wanted - aluminium cans

Wanted - Aluminium cans. Please bring them along to the General Meeting or to Mal Head's home, but not to Dry Casting. Mal saves them up and takes them to the recyclers when he has enough, and the price is right, and donates all the proceeds to the Club.

Property Officer, Malcolm Head

Club Competition Rules and Club Constitution

Printed copies of the Club's current Fishing and Dry Casting Competition Rules and Club Constitution are available.

The latest version of the Competition Rules is dated 11 January 2010. A separate document is also available showing the changes made between the last 2006 and the current 2010 versions. That includes the motions and changes which were found in a search through Reel Talks from those years. Some changes may not have been included because of incomplete records.

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.

The 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/ClubRulesMain.html

Reel Talk Editor, Terry Fuller

AAAWA State Championships during 2010/11

State Rock and Beach Fishing Championships Sat/Sun/Mon 5, 6, 7 March 2011, Cheynes Beach Caravan Park. Boundaries Bremer River mouth to Albany Harbour jetty.

State Boating Championships, Saturday 26 March 2011, Marmion Angling Club.

State Estuary Championships, 27/28 November **2010** Swan and Canning rivers and Cockburn Sound. (**Note the correction.** Was shown as 2011 in the January Reel Talk.)

State Dry Casting Championships, Yokine Reserve, Sunday 31 October 2010.

AAAWA Delegate, Terry Fuller

Draft calendar for 2010/11

Spot any mistake(s), please. I need people to read and check all these dates. Please tell me if you find anything wrong or if **you think** something's wrong.

27	AAA Event	22	Quobba Safari	***26***	Presentation Night		
7	Dry Casting	10	General Meeting	***13***	***14***	Field Day	~~17~~ Committee Meeting

Draft SCAC event calendar 2010/11 - Draft version dated 18 February 2010.
All field day dates still have to be confirmed.

May 2010

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April 2011

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WA public holidays, from Department of Commerce website.

Foundation Day	Monday 7 June 2010	Queen's Birthday	Mon 27 September 2010
New Year holiday	Mon 3 January 2011	Australia Day	Wed 26 January 2011
Labor Day	Monday 7 March 2011	Anzac Day	Monday 25 April 2011
Easter	Friday 22 April - Monday 25 April 2011		
Anzac Day and Easter Monday both fall on Monday 25 April. A special public holiday will be proclaimed for Tuesday 26 April.			

WA school holidays for Primary and Secondary students in Government schools in WA are:- (from http://www.eddept.wa.edu.au/termdates/)

Sat 3 July to Mon 19 July 2010	Sat 25 September to Mon 11 October 2010
Sat 18 Dec 2010 to Tue 1 February 2011	Fri 22 April - Sun 8 May 2011

Reel Talk Editor, Terry Fuller

Committee's recommended 2010/11 Field Day dates, venues and boundaries

Only six lists of suggestions for Field Day venues were received before the February Committee meeting, despite requests in the last 2 Reel Talks and reminders at the General Meetings. Written suggestions were received from John Crompton, Peter Pekaar, George Holman, Peet Wessels, Dave Maxted and Terry Fuller. Where were all the rest?

This low response did not give the Committee much to work with. The Committee discussed these and considered comments about the success of the recent Local Field Day, the wish for less expensive travel, more fishing together as a group, the need to give new members good experiences and many other comments received over the years, and produced the Committee's recommended Field Day dates, venues and boundaries for 2010/11.

The deadline for deciding the final list of venues is the April General Meeting. The target now has to be to have some discussion at the March General Meeting, and then finalise the list at the March Committee meeting for publishing in the April Reel Talk, to be voted on by the members at the April General Meeting.

Month	Suggested venue	Dates	Boundaries
May 2010	Rottnest	May 15/16	All of Rottnest Island.
June 2010	Local	June 12/13	Point Peron to Mindarie plus Swan and Canning Rivers.
July 2010	Capes North	July 17/18	Busselton Jetty to Margaret River.
August 2010	Rottnest	Aug 14/15	All of Rottnest Island.
September 2010	S-Bend	Sept 25/26/27 LWE	7-Mile to Tarcoola.
October 2010	Local	Oct 16/17	North Mole to Mindarie Marina plus Swan and Canning Rivers.
November 2010	Cervantes	Nov 13/14	Cervantes to as far as you can walk north of Hill River.
December 2010	Seabird	Dec 11/12	As far as you can walk south of Moore River to Beacons north end of Lancelin.
January 2011	Local	Jan 15/16	North Mole to Mindarie Marina plus Swan and Canning Rivers.
February 2011	White Hills/Myalup	Feb 12/13	White Hills to Myalup.
March 2011	Bluff Creek	March 5/6/7 LWE	Same as AAAWA State Rock and Beach Championships, Bremer River mouth to Albany Harbour jetty.
April 2011	Reef Beach	Apr 22 to 26 Easter / ANZAC	Point Charles (east of Bremer Bay) to Reef Beach.

Minutes Secretary Terry Fuller

Drycasting dates proposed for 2010/11

These are mostly the first Sunday of the month, except Fathers' Day, or when the Field Day is on then due to a long weekend, or when the Yokine Reserve cannot be booked.

2 May 2010	6 June 2010	4 July 2010
1 August 2010	12 September 2010 (Note 1)	3 October 2010
7 November 2010	5 December 2010	2 January 2011 (Note 3)
6 February 2011	13 March 2011 (Note 1)	3 April 2011

Note 1. Field Day is on the long weekend. **Note 2.** September avoids Fathers' Day.

Note 3. May need to shift to 9 January if the City of Stirling uses Yokine Reserve for a New Year carnival as in 2010.

Reel Talk Editor, Terry Fuller

Safari for 2010/11

The October General Meeting agreed that a Safari be arranged for the Quobba/Cape Cuvier area in May - June 2010. The recommendation is for 22-29 May 2010. This period does not conflict with any Club activities in the draft calendar below.

See the President's report in the February Reel Talk for some more details.

Reel Talk Editor, Terry Fuller

General Meeting dates proposed for 2010/11

These are all on the standard second Wednesday of the month.

12 May 2010	9 June 2010	14 July 2010
11 August 2010	8 September 2010	13 October 2010
10 November 2010	8 December 2010	12 January 2011
9 February 2011	9 March 2011	13 April 2011

Reel Talk Editor, Terry Fuller

Barron Lure competition

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

Heaviest Tailor on Lure.	George Holman	2.3 kg caught at Wagoe.
Heaviest Salmon on Lure.		
Heaviest Scale Fish on Lure.	Peet Wessels	6.118 kg Yellow Tailed Kingfish at Rottnest

Reel Talk Editor, Terry Fuller

February Field Day report, Cervantes

Dave Maxted and I left Perth around 7am. While travelling to Cataby, we had an altercation with a kangaroo. It pays to have a roo bar!!

Arriving at Cataby we found Charles Faure and Steve Gee waiting. After a coffee we left for Cervantes townsite as Charles had never been there. He was very impressed with the town layout and commented that it would be a good place to bring the family.

When we arrived at the sign on, Vince Iozzi and Sandra Wessels had already done a lot of the work, which I appreciated. Geoff Raftis then made a grand entrance requesting that Peet Wessels and I weigh a tailor he had caught the previous evening which was over 2.4 kg, a very nice fish. Mal Head already had a 2.6 kg tailor entered in the Open Competition. A great start to a field day.

We also had a very good attendance of members and in particular our newer members.

The weather was fine and warm with a very strong southerly wind blowing straight along the beach which made conditions uncomfortable until after dark when it eased off.

Dave and I drove the length of the Cervantes area and went as far south as Black Rocks and our visitor Steve Gee followed us and decided to fish that location. On the way back north we came across the spot the Wessels were fishing. They had another three vehicles with them and were showing our newer members what to do and they were all catching fish. Noticed a lovely lady in pink (pink wraparound hat, gloves and nail polish) doing a little shimmy every time she caught a fish and then came back to the car and had her husband take the fish off the hook.

The next morning the group that were fishing there expressed concerns as to Peet Wessels' antics, as he was seen to do an Indian dance around his rod to entice the fish to bite. It obviously worked as he won the field day.

We then drove up to the mouth of the Hill River and came across John Compton's group which consisted of five vehicles all tied together with ropes and tarpaulins and looked like the Taj Mahal, but somewhat windblown. A bit of river fishing was tried as well which produced a number of undersized black bream.

Dave and I fished a little south of the group and Eric Parker and girlfriend Sonney joined us. Mal Harris and Vix Alexander fished north of the car park and Geoff Raftis fished at Jurien Bay.

There were not many fish around but we had a good restful night under the stars and a good sleep.

At the weigh in there were still some nice bags weighed in with the Wessels setting the pace along with Mal Harris and noticeable bags from Shane Wignell and Pat McKeown. Then that Raftis bloke arrived with as good a bag of tailor you would wish to catch, and made everyone green. He had to go down to the water and gut and gill them though before we could weigh them in. His largest tailor went 1.596kg and the bag totalled 6.67kg which lifts the bar on those field day sections.

I think Geoff is still smiling and it was great to see him back in action again after some time incapacitated with shoulder trouble.

Thanks to Peet Wessels and John Compton for helping with the weigh in, and the way everyone worked together.

Steve Gee was a late arrival at the weigh in as he couldn't find the track back over the sand dunes from Black Rock and went back into Cervantes and around a long way to where we were.

Four vehicles went back to Cervantes for lunch before driving home. Eric Parker was the lead vehicle of the convoy on the way home. Unfortunately Eric had a blowout on his Toyota. The front left-hand tyre was destroyed but it was great to see everyone stop and help out and Eric was very appreciative, as was Sonney. It was her first time out in the countryside and I know she thoroughly enjoyed herself.

It was good to see the number of new members make the effort to go to Cervantes and I hope they enjoyed themselves. Vince Iozzi had to leave early to go to work but rang me on Monday and said he really enjoyed the weekend. That's what makes everything worth the effort.

Marcia Pekaar has done a write-up for the people who fished local and I'm sure there would have been more in attendance had it not been so windy.

See you all at Bluff Creek on 27-28 February and 1 March.

We will bring down the club's 240 Volt alternator for you all to use but please bring some unleaded fuel and some long extension cords.

Acting Field Day Officer George Holman

The people attending the February Field Day were (in no particular order):

Nick Edwards	Wayne Shaw	Simon Ryan
Pat McKeown	Vince Iozzi	John Crompton
Geoff Raftis	Shane Wignell	Sabby Pizzolante
Andrew Vanzyl	Eric Parker	Steve Gee
Sandra Wessels	Peet Wessels	George Holman
David Maxted	Vix Alexander	Malcolm Harris
Charles Faure		
Peter Pekaar (local)	Marcia Pekaar (local)	John Curtis (local)

Field day section winners for February 2010

Best scale fish	Geoff Raftis	Tailor	1.596 kg
Best bag of scale fish	Peet Wessels	Mixed	4.579 kg

Sportsperson of the Year section winners for February 2010

Best scale fish	Geoff Raftis	Tailor	1.596 kg
Best bag of scale fish	Geoff Raftis	Tailor	6.67 kg

Catch results and points for the February 2010 Field Day

Angler	Weight	Species	Fish	Points
Peet Wessels	4.579 kg	4	26	135.8
Sandra Wessels	3.52 kg	5	21	135.2
Geoff Raftis	6.67 kg	1	8	116.7
Shane Wignell	2.99 kg	1	24	89.9
Malcolm Harris	2.462 kg	1	20	84.6
Pat McKeown	1.956 kg	1	23	79.6
George Holman	0.905 kg	2	2	79.1
Sabby Pizzolante	1.56 kg	1	12	75.6
Andrew Vanzyl	0.44 kg	1	3	64.4
Nick Edwards	0.416 kg	1	4	54.2
Peter Pekaar	0.422 kg	3	3	54.2
Wayne Shaw	0.424 kg	1	4	54.2
Charles Faure	0	0	0	50
Dave Maxted	0	0	0	50
Ric Parker	0	0	0	50
John Crompton	0	0	0	50
Steve Gee (visitor)	0	0	0	50
Vince Iozzi	0	0	0	50
Vix Alexander	0	0	0	50
Simon Ryan	0	0	0	40
John Curtis	0.284	1	2	32.8
Marcia Pekaar	0.104	1	1	31

Includes points for attendance at February General Meeting.

Species caught on the February Field Day were:- Whiting, Pike, Herring, Tailor, Flathead, Flounder, Skippy and Mullet.

Catches recorded by Marcia Pekaar and John Crompton

Entered into the Field Day computer scoring system by Terry Fuller

Cervantes 13 /14 February 2010

The 13th and 14th of February saw my first trip field day with the club. I was very keen to be fishing at Cervantes again, as it has been the location of my family holidays for many years.

Luckily for our group, we were able to leave for Cervantes on Friday morning. Our group, consisting of John, Pat, Vince, Simmo, Nick, Bruno (Simmo's dog) and myself, met at Cataby, before heading on into Cervantes.

After a short stop in the town, our convoy, led by John, headed for Hill River. I hadn't fished Hill River for five or so years, so I was very excited to see what she would turn up.

We picked our spot and had a discussion on how we would arrange the vehicles for the most effective wind break. We parked up and commenced setting up camp. After wind sailing behind a large blue tarp and getting sand blasted by the strong Southerly that was gale force, we managed to get the shelters pegged down and settled in.

Simmo, Nick and I decided to rest rather than fish the Friday night, ready for the start of the competition. John, Pat and Vince fished the evening, catching a couple of Choppers and a Herring.

Saturday couldn't have come soon enough and I was getting pumped for the start of the comp. We fished early in the morning, picking up a few Whiting and a couple of Herring, before moving over to the river where Nick and I spent a couple of hours catching Black Bream.

Midday struck the clock and the competition had begun. We had some lunch and then sat around camp trading rigs and knots. John and Vince gave us a casting lesson using their long, low mount rods. After my first cast, I realised why my dad casts the way he does.....it's easier! We fished the day through to the early evening, catching nothing but the occasional bit of weed. Simmo and Pat had left the camp to chase some Herring at the Cervantes Jetty, where they both got a nice bag full.

Nick and I were keen to catch something for weigh in, so after little contemplating, we set off for the jetty as well. We managed to catch four Herring each, which we were ecstatic about, as they were our ticket to participating in the weigh in.

When we got back to the camp at half eleven, we were hoping to soak a bait for a Mulloway or two, but due to there being a lack of a gutter and low tide, we decided to turn in for the night.

We were up early on Sunday morning and packed up camp, ready for the weigh in.

We met the rest of the club fishermen and fisherwomen at the Hill River car park. As each member was called up and presented their catch, I, like many others were very impressed by the fish caught.

A great mixed bag by both Peet and Sandra Wessels and some monster Tailor from Geoff Raftis. Herring were plentiful, with most people catching them.

All in all, I had a great weekend, learning new rigs, casting techniques, getting new ideas for camping, fishing and 4wd gear and participating in Australia's favourite pastime, Fishing. This is what the club is about.

Thanks to everyone, especially the guys in our group, I had a great time.

Look forward to the next one, FISH ON!!!!

Cheers, Wayne Shaw

240 volt power at Bluff Creek

The President will bring the Club's 240 volt alternator to the Bluff Creek Field Day.

Members who want power should please bring some unleaded fuel and some long extension cords and power boards.

Fill in Field Day Officer, George Holman

February Local Field Day report

On Saturday, 13 February 2010, Peter and I set out for Floreat Drain to fish alongside John Curtis. Coincidentally we arrived at the designated parking area at exactly the same time. John had invited a friend, also named Peter, so following the introductions, names were easy to remember.

Whilst driving down Hale Road, we could see many "kites" in the air. As we got nearer to the beach, we could see that the kites were of course surfing kites being manoeuvred by 50 or so kite surfers speeding along the water. On the whole they weren't a problem, except for one who came in too close to shore and got himself tangled in John's line.

We walked a little way north along the beach where John and Peter P discussed which would be the best place to set up our gear.

By 5.15pm I had my first fish on the hook. The whiting was too small to keep, but not too small to put me off. My next hook up was a double-header; one too small, the other fit for my dinner plate. By the time we packed up, around 8.30pm, we had all managed to land a small number of fish: Pete with a pike, a herring, and a whiting; John with a whiting or two; John's friend, Peter, some whiting; and my whiting. There were quite a few fisherfolk on the beach, many landing their share of the plentiful whiting. Had we brought more blood worms, I am sure we would have caught many more.

I took crumbed chicken and rice salad for tea. Pete ate his quite early, but I waited until about 6pm before tucking in. All the same, we were hungry following our weigh in so headed to a pizza shop in Glendalough. We ordered a large Mardi Gras pizza and ate most of it in the car. It was a particularly delicious pizza with the base nicely toasted. We've been introduced to a few new pizza shops on or near the coast via our local field days.

Marcia Pekaar

Fishing the Local Field Day, March Long Weekend

On the Saturday of the long weekend, we plan to fish at Floreat Drain from around 4.30pm until about 9.00pm. Please feel free to meet us there and fish with us.

On Monday, 1 March we are considering doing some river fishing around 6am for a couple of hours, perhaps around the Melville foreshore and/or the Canning River area. Again, people are welcome to join us but please phone by Sunday evening to finalise a location.

We are flexible and would love to get a group together to fish that morning. This will be a lure fishing session, so if you would like to fish, but don't have any lures, we have some available for you to borrow or try out.

Our contact details are: Home phone: 9361 4651; my mobile: 0439 510 367; or Pete's Mobile: 0427 424 389.

Marcia Pekaar

Field day catchup

Here are some extra details for the December 2009 Field Day at Seabird and Moore River now that the Field Day scoring system is up to date.

The people who attended the December Field Day were (in no particular order):

Peet Wessels	Sandra Wessels	Shaun Herbst
Luke Hatingh	Peter Stoeckel	Charles Faure
John Crompton	Dean Stewart	Andrew Vanzyl
Adam Metro	Mark Hansen	Holly Walker
Greg Walker	Michelle Walker	
Peter Pekaar (local)	Marcia Pekaar (local)	Vince Iozzi (local)
George Holman (local)		

Catch results and points for the December 2009 Field Day

Angler	Weight	Species	Fish	Points
Peet Wessels	4.51 kg	3	16	125.1
Sandra Wessels	2.49 kg	3	12	104.9
Charles Faure	1.968 kg	3	10	99.7
Mark Hansen	2.104 kg	2	14	91
John Crompton	0.902 kg	1	5	69
Dean Stewart	0.19 kg	1	1	61.9
Peter Stoeckel	0.12 kg	1	1	61.2
George Holman	1.196 kg	2	5	52
Andrew Vanzyl	0	0	0	50
Greg Walker	0	0	0	50
Holly Walker	0	0	0	50
Michelle Walker	0	0	0	50
Peter Pekaar	1.202 kg	1	4	42
Adam Metro	0	0	0	40
Luke Hatingh	0	0	0	40
Shaun Herbst	0	0	0	40
Marcia Pekaar	0.096 kg	1	1	31
Vince Iozzi	0	0	0	20

Species caught on the December Field Day were:- Pike, Herring, Tailor, Wrasse and Garfish.

Recorded by Marcia Pekaar and Mark Hansen

Field Day top scores for 2009/10

Total scores up to and including February Field Day.

Name	Points	Rank	Name	Points	Rank	Name	Points	Rank
Malcolm Harris	1473.9	1	Shane Wignell	151	21	Pat Wee	55.6	41
Peet Wessels	1306.3	2	Greg Walker	150	22	Bev Grigo	50	42
Sandra Wessels	1120.2	3	Pat McKeown	141.2	23	Eric Parker	50	43
Mark Hansen	773.2	4	Adam Metro	130.6	24	Joseph Kolman	50	44
George Holman	688.3	5	Marcia Pekaar	124.9	25	Morris Kolman	50	45
Ian Cook	506.1	6	Andrew Vanzyl	114.4	26	Steve Gee	50	46
Vix Alexander	502.6	7	Daniel Jambanis	114	27	Alex Michaelidis	40	47
Greg Keet	471.2	8	Ian Taggart	112.6	28	Aniello Pizzolante	40	48
Charles Faure	456.2	9	Peter Iozzi	106.1	29	Bill Ransted	40	49
Theo Van Niekerk	448.3	10	Holly Walker	100	30	Chrystyne Crompton	40	50
Wendy Hansen	390.8	11	Michelle Walker	100	31	Clive Verburgt	40	51
David Maxted	380.4	12	Nick Edwards	94.2	32	Daniel McKeown	40	52
Lea Taylor	279.1	13	Wayne Shaw	94.2	33	Felicity Keet	40	53
Peter Stoeckel	271.2	14	Morgan Keet	80	34	Luke Hatingh	40	54
John Crompton	269	15	Simon Ryan	80	35	Olivia Keet	40	55
Peter Osborne	249.4	16	Kaitlin Stoeckel	70	36	Patrick McKeown	40	56
Sabby Pizzolante	199.5	17	Vince Iozzi	70	37	Sharon Wee	40	57
Melvin Wee	186	18	Josh Lucocq	69.7	38	Shaun Herbst	40	58
Geoff Raftis	166.7	19	Stephan Wiklund	69.2	39	Tina Lucocq	40	59
Peter Pekaar	159.6	20	Dean Stewart	61.9	40	John Curtis	32.8	60

Field Day sections up to February 2010

1A	Best Scale Fish (1st Six Months)	Peet Wessels	Yellowtail Kingfish	6.118 kg
1B	Best Scale Fish (2nd Six Months)			
2	Most Meritorious Fish	To be awarded by Committee		
3	Best Shark (4.5kg min)			
4	Best Mulloway (2.0kg min)			
5	Best Tailor (1.0kg min)	David Maxted	Tailor	1.684 kg
6	Best Salmon (3kg min)	Theo Van Niekerk	Salmon	4.432 kg
7	Best Skipjack Trevally (0.5 kg min)	Ian Cook	Skipjack Trevally	1.044 kg
8	Best Mackerel (2kg Min)			
9	Best Scale Fish (Other than above)	Greg Keet	Yellowtail Kingfish	5.816 kg
10	Best Bag Of Scale Fish	Malcolm Harris	Mixed Bag	14.124 kg
11	Best Bag Of Mulloway (2 Fish Min)			
12	Best Bag Of Tailor (2 Fish Min)	Geoff Raftis	Tailor	6.67 kg
13	Best Fish On S/H Rod 4kg b/s line (max)	Mark Hansen	Flathead	0.566 kg
14	Best Fish Caught on Fly Rod			

Night cast and barbecue

The night cast and barbecue was held at George and Kaye Holman's on 30 January. Despite the fierce southerly wind, the conditions on the protected patio were very comfortable.

After the fine food and a few drinks and with the sun well and truly set, the men and one lady moved to the oval to show their prowess with the single handed rod.

Scoring followed the double handed accuracy scoring system with a bullseye worth 25 points.

Let me tell you, casting to a target with just a bit of moonlight and a glow stick on top to show its position, and with a glow stick on your casting weight to show where it is going, is not as easy as casting to a target in the daylight.

The glow stick on the top made the target seem to be further away than it really was, judging by the number of comments about that on the few times when car headlights lit up the area.

Even so, Andrew Pekaar managed a bullseye, a direct hit on the target, Terry Fuller got one bullseye and George Holman got two bullseyes. There were two 24 score near misses and six 23s scored.

It was certainly a fun event and had quite different challenges to the normal day time drycasting. If only some of those scores could be cast in the double handed accuracy, there would be some very happy people around.

A great time was had by all at this great social event. Put the next one on your list of things to do. Come and see what you missed if you didn't come.

Reel Talk Editor, Terry Fuller

Field Day Quinns Beach, 15/16 December, 1962

Weather conditions :- Fresh gusty southerly winds - causing weed to move along the entire beach area which made angling extremely difficult though not impossible to our lads. They carried on regardless. The breeze however did not drop until after 11p.m. by that time many of the lads had retired to their bedrolls or were having a bit of a yacka on you can guess what topic before doing so - so that they could have a fairly early night for an early morning effort.

Thirty nine members and thirteen juniors made a good attendance. The south area returned the best bags of fish and straight down from the parking area except for an odd Tailor, Shark and Ray the fishing was very slow. The north area also returned a few nice fish, etc., though nothing really of note, which certainly wasn't for the lack of trying by members, if the fish had been there the lads who were there would have had them kicking sand mighty quick.

On arrival at Quinns Beach, Norm Clark and myself set up headquarters where the Club sign was erected and the scales set in readiness for the weigh-in. (I must commend our two

stalwart members Jim Strong and Norm Clark on their efficient and effective manner in which they organised and help, and their readiness to hand on information on these Field Days of ours. Ed.)

Shortly after 5pm, the lads started to arrive, though the two Rons, Ron Shirley and Ron Kildahl were the first to arrive on the scene and after a look-see at the main beach area they decided for better or worse to head north, though once again they found weed and after a brief conference decided to lay up and take it easy until the breeze abated and then give it a go.

With the departure of the Rons there was a constant stream of arrivals and having been "booked-in" on the Field Day and hasty discussions taking place between themselves as to where the "hot spots" would be - off they ventured to the place of their choice. It is good to see and hear these chaps freely discuss the pros and cons of what they think on different fishing places, without being secretive in case anybody else knows where they are going.

Snow Tate, Allan Livesy, "Tiger" Lilly, Tom Smith, Bob Tucker and also Hugh Gregory all decided on the south area and their choice of venues proved correct for it was from this area that the best bags were returned. Though they certainly had to work mighty hard for them. The weed in this area was also thick which made fishing a difficult and tedious effort. There is no stopping these lads and a short walk of two or three miles is all part of the game to them.

Shortly after 4pm both Norm and myself made our way down to the beach where we had our gear in readiness, though the fishing was very quiet. Terry Fuller was noticed playing a Tailor in and for a while we all lived in the hope that the Tailor would make a run along the beach, but this was not to be so, and as the blowies were terrific, cleaning the mulies off the hooks in a few minutes. We all started to taper off after a while and take it easy.

Noticed that several of the members meant to be as comfortable as possible. Phil Neri had erected a beach umbrella which gave himself and young Gary some measure of protection from the breeze, also that Bill Utting had erected a small beach tent for himself and the lads he had with him. That is one thing about these local venues, you can bring along a few of the comforts which make angling so much more enjoyable.

Quite a few of the lads inspected the Landrover which had done the trip to the "Edge of the Wedge" that was in last month's issue of Reel Talk. By the look of it, it doesn't inspire confidence to go anywhere - but Ken reckons that it's not appearance that makes a motor go, and he should know. At any rate the last we saw of it was in the morning disappearing around the corner with an ugly looking shark chasing it.

During the evening Nick Crouch was observed playing a Shark through the weed, but it takes more than weed to stop Nick from beaching a fish. Also Norm Clark had a few anxious moments when he also picked up a Shark, and as Kevin Hawker was wearing waders he was elected to do the honours with the gaff, which he did very smartly.

Bob Tichbon also caught a school Shark about the same time and on this occasion Jerry Windus was the man with the waders and the wielder of the gaff which he did without effort. (Remember when gaffing to strike under and up into the soft under belly of the Shark. Take your time and one strike will be enough with a good sharp gaff.)

Shortly after 4am the beach was alive with activity as the members did their utmost to fill their bags though once again the Tailor were conspicuous by their absence, and all too soon the B-Blowies took over, By about 6.30am most of the lads had had enough and returned to have breakfast and await news of the catches from the north and south areas. As far as I know there was only one Tailor caught in the morning off the main beach and that was by Mick Doscas.

Eventually the boys started to report in to weigh their captures. "Tiger" Lilly, Bob Tucker and Tom Smith arrived all smiles (though tired) with quite good bags of both Tailor and Mulloway which made their efforts worthwhile.

Bob Jensen, Cec. Houghton and Rick arrived and once again the weigh-in was on. Bob made fourth place with his bag of fish. Some of the Tailor and Mulloway amazed many of us and has given us a fresh hope for the future for there was some good sized fish caught.

It was good to see Bill Bridger and Ken Wiggins along and I am only sorry that conditions could not have been better for them and the fish more plentiful. Still better luck next time.

Ralph Hansen was happy with his Ray capture as it put him in the money and a 25lb Ray through that weed was no mean effort on his behalf. Good work Ralph. Ernie White was observed cutting the flaps off the Ray to take home. Up until Ralph caught his 25lb Ray it looked like Cec. Houghton had this section. Still that's the way it goes.

Bert Payne and Pearl and also a friend attended the Field Bay, though Bert found conditions almost impossible where he was and they returned during the night.

So closed another happy Field Day. Even though fishing was, to say the least, difficult, it was a pleasure to be there and have a chat to the many members present. There is never a dull moment with these lads. Though I think that Jerry Windus was really baffled when, on returning from the beach he found an ugly looking Port Jackson Shark straddling his motor scooter. Never mind Jerry it took a good photo for the Club album.

My congrats to the award winners and many thanks to the assistance given to both Norm and myself, and I hope that I will see you all along in the New Year to bigger and better Field Days.

The next Field Day is at Golden Bay which is on the way to Mandurah. It cannot be missed for there is a large sign advertising the place on the right hand side of the road. Follow the road to the parking area where the Club sign will be erected. Fishing areas are north .and south as far as members wish to walk. Any new information in regard to this venue will be advised at our next General Meeting. Fishing commences at 4pm and the weigh-in will be between 8am and 9am.

Wishing all members a Merry Xmas and a bright and prosperous New Year with whips of fish and plenty of free time to go fishing.

Report reprinted from pages 7-10 of December 1962 Reel Talk.

Jim Strong, Field Day Officer 1962/63

Busy bee for Jim Strong

A busy bee has been organised for Saturday 6 March for a general clean up at Jim Strong's place . Suggested start time 9am. Contact John Crompton for more details.

Over the years, Jim has done lots for this club, and is still doing what he can manage. Now Jim is not in the best of health and really needs some help to be able to continue to live independently in his unit at Yokine. Volunteers are needed.

This is a chance for Club members to show their appreciation for what Jim has done for the Club and for them.

Reel Talk Editor, Terry Fuller

Open fishing competition

There is no change to the list published in the January Reel Talk. Entries for the Open competition close 30 days after capture.

Reel Talk Editor, Terry Fuller

February field day total length competition

4 fishers handed in forms (a little disappointing). 30 fish comprising of 4 species, totaling 6.81 metres.

Winner with the longest total length of fish, Malcolm Harris, 4.72 metres.

Mark Hansen

Dry Casting report 7 February 2010

The sky was overcast, wind was light and the temperature around 27 degrees. Our numbers were well down with only 14 in total, 4 seniors, 8 vets 1 lady and 1 mini-junior.

I would like to thank all the helpers who set up the courts.

Seniors, ladies and mini juniors started with distance followed by accuracy. Vets started out with accuracy then distance. The vets won the day with Mal Head scoring 146 points in double hand accuracy followed by George Holman with 139 points.

George managed to outscore Mal by 1 point in single handed accuracy with 27 and 26 respectively.

In the seniors Eric Parker scored a bullseye in double hand accuracy and single handed accuracy with Andrew Vanzyl scoring one in single handed, George Holman in the Vets scoring one in single handed accuracy.

Congratulations to Marcia Pekaar in single handed accuracy for equaling the record of 29 points and having 4 casts over 100 metres. Thank you to Marcia and Owen putting out the flags and to Shane and Andrew for collecting them at the end of the day.

At the conclusion of the accuracy casting would the scorer's please bring the metal plates and cones back to the pavilion.

In March Seniors will start with accuracy then distance. Vets, Ladies and Juniors will be starting with distance then accuracy.

Section Winners

Seniors	Peter Pekaar	190 points
Veterans	George Holman	259 points
Ladies	Marcia Pekaar	232 points
Mini Juniors	Owen Williams	69 points

Dry Casting Officer Allan Jones

Dry Casting report Seniors, Ladies, Mini-Juniors

With only six casters in our group, it was a perfect opportunity to get to know our newer members and visitors. Both Andrew Vanzyl and Shane Wignell have benefitted from their two casting sessions, with Andrew proudly recording his first bullseye in single handed accuracy.

Andrew also went on to win the Senior's single handed accuracy section. Not to be outdone, Mr Consistent, Ric Parker, scored two bullseyes; one each in single handed and double handed accuracy.

Marcia Pekaar had plenty of reasons to smile with a double handed accuracy score of 133 points, third best on the day. She also equaled the Ladies double handed accuracy Club Record with 29 points.

Mini-Junior, Owen Williams, continues to impress us, improving in all sections and has now pushed his personal best distance cast out to 49.49 metres. He was also instrumental in the day's set up, helping put out the flags.

It was pleasing to see everyone helping out with the scoring. Shane and Andrew showed plenty of enthusiasm and were only too willing to get involved, also retrieving the flags at the end of the day.

Marcia was kept busy single-handedly scoring the Seniors and Mini-Junior double handed accuracy and double handed accuracy. She then read from the laser to record much of our group's distance casts, with Terry Fuller also giving a hand.

Well done to all who competed in our group; it is great to see improvements each month.

Our thanks go to John Crompton for organising the sausage sizzle and drinks at the end of the day.

Peter Pekaar

Dry Casting results, 7 February 2010

These results have been prepared from the original hand written distances and scores recorded on the day. Marcia and Peter Pekaar copied the scores from the score sheets into an electronic format, adjusted the distance scores for the 20 metre measurement setback, and cross checked all final figures against the original score sheets.

Terry Fuller used his computer system to process the results to calculate the points, add all together, sort into final score order, extract the section winners and year's best as shown on the second page, and progressive scores for use at the end of the competition year.

Results for the day	56 gram			Artificial Bait			112 gram			Double Handed Accuracy									Single Handed Accuracy					**Day**	Attendance		**Total**
	Cast	Cast		Cast	Cast		Cast	Cast		Target number									Target distance								
Seniors	1 (m)	2 (m)	Points	1 (m)	2 (m)	Points	1 (m)	2 (m)	Points	3	3	1	1	4	4	2	2	Points	L	S	L	S	Points	**Total**	D C	G M	**Points**
Peter Pekaar	142	0	14	140	150	29	163	171	33	0	10	21	8	2	12	18	20	91	0	5	0	8	13	180	10	0	190
Eric Parker	113	104	22	97	90	19	122	124	25	0	17	25	10	9	0	4	21	86	1	10	0	6	17	169	10	0	179
Andrew Vanzyl	62	73	14	76	82	16	88	89	18	0	0	20	11	0	0	1	14	46	10	6	1	6	23	117	10	0	127
Shane Wignell	86	80	17	68	81	15	76	91	17	0	0	2	17	0	0	0	21	40	7	8	0	0	15	104	10	0	114
Veterans																											
George Holman	145	147	29	117	127	24	150	148	30	13	23	23	21	5	17	16	21	139	9	5	3	10	27	249	10	0	259
Malcolm Head	110	118	23	101	101	20	125	119	24	15	13	23	19	21	14	20	21	146	6	7	6	7	26	239	10	0	249
Terry Fuller	107	108	22	85	89	17	107	109	22	13	21	17	11	20	16	21	4	123	0	6	6	9	21	205	10	0	215
Allan Jones	130	121	25	116	111	23	131	136	27	10	11	21	24	19	19	0	0	104	4	6	0	8	18	197	10	0	207
John Crompton	109	107	22	96	86	18	78	95	17	10	4	8	22	18	6	6	10	84	5	0	1	0	6	147	10	0	157
Dean Stewart	91	12	10	92	91	18	95	95	19	21	1	6	23	0	0	17	14	82	6	0	1	9	16	145	10	0	155
Pat McKeown	81	0	8	75	78	15	72	89	16	8	0	12	7	0	0	19	19	65	2	0	0	0	2	106	10	0	116
Ray Walker	72	0	7	73	69	14	0	85	9	1	0	0	0	1	0	5	9	16	1	2	0	0	3	49	10	0	59
Ladies																											
Marcia Pekaar	102	105	21	90	94	18	106	107	21	14	16	23	10	18	11	19	22	133	8	7	6	8	29	222	10	0	232
Mini Juniors																											
Owen Williams	46	49	10	35	43	8	43	41	8	23	1	0	3					27	0	0	0	6	6	59	10	0	69

These scores were compiled on the day of casting and do not include points for attendance at February General Meeting.

Dry Casting winners for 7 February 2010

Event	Seniors winner		Veterans winner	
56 gram Score	22	Eric Parker	29	George Holman
56 gram Distance	142	Peter Pekaar	147	George Holman
Artificial Bait Score	29	Peter Pekaar	24	George Holman
Artificial Bait Distance	150	Peter Pekaar	127	George Holman
112 gram Score	33	Peter Pekaar	30	George Holman
112 gram Distance	171	Peter Pekaar	150	George Holman
Double Handed Acc.	91	Peter Pekaar	146	Malcolm Head
Single Handed Acc.	23	Andrew Vanzyl	27	George Holman
Section Highest Points	190	Peter Pekaar	259	George Holman

Event	Ladies winner		Mini Juniors winner	
56 gram Score	21	Marcia Pekaar	10	Owen Williams
56 gram Distance	105	Marcia Pekaar	49	Owen Williams
Artificial Bait Score	18	Marcia Pekaar	8	Owen Williams
Artificial Bait Distance	94	Marcia Pekaar	43	Owen Williams
112 gram Score	21	Marcia Pekaar	8	Owen Williams
112 gram Distance	107	Marcia Pekaar	43	Owen Williams
Double Handed Acc.	133	Marcia Pekaar	27	Owen Williams
Single Handed Acc.	29	Marcia Pekaar	6	Owen Williams
Section Highest Points	232	Marcia Pekaar	69	Owen Williams

Event	Overall winner for January		Year's best up to February	
56 gram Score	29	George Holman	30	Ian Cook, Malcolm Harris
56 gram Distance	147	George Holman	155	Ian Cook
Artificial Bait Score	29	Peter Pekaar	30	Malcolm Harris, Peter Pekaar
Artificial Bait Distance	150	Peter Pekaar	150	Peter Pekaar
112 gram Score	33	Peter Pekaar	35	Peter Pekaar
112 gram Distance	171	Peter Pekaar	179	Malcolm Harris
Double Handed Acc.	146	Malcolm Head	171	Gary Gildersleeves
Single Handed Acc.	29	Marcia Pekaar	29	George Holman, Allan Jones, Marcia Pekaar
Section Highest Points	259	George Holman	293	Gary Gildersleeves

Dry Casting top scores for 2009/10

Total scores up to and including February casting. Only the best 11 months out of 12 will count at the end of the competition year.

Name	Points	Rank	Name	Points	Rank	Name	Points	Rank
George Holman	2482	1	Wendy Hansen	945	15	Andrew Vanzyl	205	29
Allan Jones	2339	2	Peter Stoeckel	801	16	Shane Wignell	185	30
Peter Pekaar	2125	3	Jeff Hewton	759	17	Andrew Pekaar	178	31
Terry Fuller	2065	4	Bob Henderson	660	18	Greg Walker	130	32
Marcia Pekaar	1901	5	Holly Walker	566	19	Pat McKeown	116	33
Malcolm Head	1701	6	Ian Cook	555	20	Owen Williams	114	34
Malcolm Harris	1541	7	Rhys Jones	537	21	Michael Goldenberg	102	35
John Crompton	1496	8	Geoff Raftis	398	22	Gino Bird	97	36
Vix Alexander	1355	9	Michelle Walker	327	23	Andrew Kymantas	69	37
Mark Hansen	1305	10	Charles Faure	308	24	Wilf Core	66	38
Dean Stewart	1289	11	Jim Strong	267	25	Ray Walker	59	39
Eric Parker	1088	12	Jennie Stoeckel	247	26	Kevin Frampton	35	40
Gary Gildersleeves	1068	13	Kaitlin Stoeckel	238	27	Eric Leigh	31	41
Trevor Stam	1003	14	Terry Willison	224	28	Matt Dillon	31	42

Field day fishing times

The Committee has passed a motion that fishing times on normal weekend field days (not long weekends) will be from 12 noon Saturday to 12 noon Sunday or earlier (eg 10am) on Sunday during summer months with early sunrise and hot weather.

The Committee recognises that people who go to the trouble and expense of travelling for Field Days have a reasonable expectation that they will get the best possible opportunities to fish.

There are two quite separate things to consider:-

1. The enjoyment and catch of fish the person gets from fishing in the location, and

2. The amount of fishing time and fish which are eligible for the Field Day competition.

The Committee also recognises that some members cannot travel to some of the “away” Field Days because of work or family commitments or cost, so the Club has a “Local” Field Day at which members can fish in the Metro area at any times they have available.

The Club has always had competition fishing times of about 22 to 24 consecutive hours as above on normal 2 day weekends. Fishing before or after those times is at the discretion of the member if he is able to.

Greatly extended fishing times for the Field Day on normal weekends put people who can only attend the Local Field Day at a further disadvantage.

Department of Fisheries rules specify daily bag limits which people may keep. When people fish on 2 or more days, they are allowed to keep up to 2 days’ bag limit of whole fish.

However the club allows only 1 day’s bag limit of fish to be weighed in for any species, regardless of how long the Field Day is, for example even when people have the opportunity to fish on the 3 separate calendar days of a long weekend.

There is already a significant difference between what a person can legally keep, and what a Club member can weigh in. But this “only 1 day’s bag limit of fish for weigh in” does not restrict in any way what people can catch or the enjoyment they get from fishing and catching fish and keeping fish within the rules and limits set by Fisheries.

Similarly the above fishing times during which catches will be eligible for weigh in does not restrict in any way what people can catch or the enjoyment they get from fishing and catching fish and keeping fish.

The Club has always allowed people to fish before any official start time for a Field Day and fish after any stop or weigh in time for the Field Day. An honour system applies that fish caught outside the specified Field Day times are not eligible for weighing in for the Field Day competition.

This is considerably more lenient than some other clubs and AAAWA State Championship events which still list disqualification for fishing before the nominated “lines down” time.

Even on long weekends when some people can travel a day earlier and may want to fish early on Saturday morning, the start times are usually still around noon.

Fish caught while people are at the place the Field day is held, but outside the Field Day times, are eligible for the Club’s Open Fishing Competition, which really does need more entries.

The listed fishing times will not restrict the enjoyment and benefit people get for the expense and time of travelling to the Field Day venue. It will only affect which fish are eligible for weigh in, which are already affected and restricted by Dept of Fisheries rules.

Minutes Secretary, Terry Fuller

SNAG seeks spool

Does anyone out there have a spare spool for a Penn 850SS for sale? If so, please contact Peter on 0427 424 389 or 9361 4651.