

WEST WIND

Western Districts Angling and Game Fishing Club Inc. meets on the second Tuesday of each month at 7.30pm at the Western Youth Centre, 79 Marion Road, Cowandilla.

We are trying our best to get the information about the club through to you. Yet, mailing out the printed copy of this newsletter is costing us a lot of time and also money. If you want to be among the first to receive the monthly newsletter, switch to the email distribution by sending me your email address to schmidtmumm@internode.on.net

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The Official Newsletter of the Western Districts Angling and Game Fishing Club Inc.

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!! TROPHY RETURN !!
Please return all the trophies to the club as soon as possible or the latest at the next club meeting on July 8th!

TRIP REPORTS

May 3rd – 4th

Port Victoria

Boat and Shore Club Aggregate

The WDAC May club trip was held on May 3-4 at Port Victoria. Members assembled at Ian's beach house at 11:00am on Saturday. Ian had arranged for everyone to stay at his beach house with new member Sonia bringing her campervan and two small dogs. Barry brought his new prized possession wooden boat with first mate Phil - it might not be the fastest boat but it is very stable at anchor and ideal for snooking. Gary brought his boat with Keith accompanying him and new member Sonia joining Ian and Sarina.

Fishing was organized into two sessions; the first during Saturday afternoon and the second on Sunday morning. Conditions on Saturday afternoon were perfect for boating with everyone fishing near the channel markers for a mixed bag of whiting, salmon trout, leather jackets, snook and big tommies. The fish of the day was a 1.7 Kg flathead caught by Sarina that Ian initially mistook for a small shark which was trying to take his whiting. Ian also caught a squid which had the last laugh by squirting ink on his shirt and inside the boat.

Event Calendar

June 10th

General Meeting

June 21st – 22nd

Club Aggregate

Stenhouse Bay / Lower York Peninsula

July 8th

General Meeting

July 19th

Cape Jervis

Club Aggregate

August 31st

Presentation Night



After weigh in on the Saturday everyone joined in for a club sponsored BBQ at Ian's place which was followed by a Pavlova made by past members Ian and Jan who

have just opened a Café at Maitland - an excellent night where the wine and beer were in good supply and a thoroughly good time was had by all.

On the Sunday the wind crept up from the north west to around 15 kts which made conditions a bit bumpy but still ok to fish in the shelter of the bay. Barry and Phil anchored on a small sandy hole and bagged out on Whiting. They also caught Salmon Trout and a few Tommies whilst Ian Sarina and Sonia managed a few Whiting, Salmon Trout and Tommies. Unfortunately Gary and Keith were stuck at the boat ramp for some time due to a starter motor problem with Gary's car.

The combined Saturday and Sunday fishing results showed that the weekend was indeed one of the best club trip for some time. Find the results at the end of this article



A minor dampener to the week-end was for Barry and Gary to find that some gear has been taken from their boats on Saturday night. Fortunately the cost of the stolen items was not high but it was disappointing to see that there are undesirable people in our community who have no respect for other people's property. Next time Ian will ensure that all boats are parked in the back yard.

Men

I Hoskin 16.226. 70 fish. heaviest salmon .675kg.
Phil Guglielmi 36 fish 8.141 kg.
B Seidel 43 fish 8.175kg

Ladies

Sarina Tirri 49 fish 15.330 kg whiting .415kg. flathead 1.815kg

Veterans

Garry Brown 21 fish 2.525kg
Keith Oxley 27 fish 3.475kg

Visitor

Sonya Smith visitor 12 fish 4.735 Leather Jacket .575kg



October 2008 Long Weekend Glenelg River Weekender

A note to our long term members: We are looking for old notes and minutes "memorabilia" of the club. If you still have a box in the shed with old stuff from the club, we want it! Please contact the Club Secretary Marlene Chapman for details.

Upcoming Trips

June 21st – 22nd

Stenhouse Bay / Lower York Peninsula Beach and Rock Club Aggregate

There is some spectacular fishing down at the bottom end of the Yorke Peninsula. Famous spots like Browns beach and Pondalowie Bay, promising salmon, Chinaman's Hat for mullet and off the cliffs around the Innes park there is even snapper to be caught if you can get past the other reef fish or leatherjackets. Mullet season is near over but still worth a try in the shallows at the southern end of "Pondi".

While this variety of fish is certainly making the angler's hear beat a strike faster, it also presents one with the dilemma of having to choose the right equipment. If you've got a big car, just take it all. That way you can be sure to have the right gear for all situations. On the down side of this, it's not fund to lug 5 rods, berley, bait, and tackle box down to Brown's beach.

What to take for bait? Well, the usual pilchards for salmon, gents for tommies, a bit of meat for mullet and some cockles for whiting – if you can afford it. Phil and I recently bought a kilo of cockles for \$15! Considering that they were still in the shell and the shell is no good for baiting a hook, there would have been about 100grams of bait in there. 100 grams for \$15, that's \$150 a kilo! And expect prices to go up, now that the cockle season is closed. But at those prices, why not just use crayfish. It's cheaper anyway.

Finally a note of caution: the Southern Ocean is notorious for the occurrence of freak waves which can easily be twice as high as the regular swell. So when fishing from the rocks always watch the waves and make sure to keep a safe distance. When approaching your rock fishing spot, watch the water for at least 15 minutes. If there are salt water pools above from where you are, remember, that saltwater got there somehow, probably by a big wave.

Schedule

Timing of the trip: meet at the Pondalowie Campground in the Innes National Park on **Saturday June 21st at 10:00am**. We will fish on Saturday and Sunday with a weigh in station set up on the Pondalowie campground.

Contact: Andreas **0428560978**

Low tide: Sat. 08:12am – 0.59m, Sun. 08:44 – 0.59

High tide: Sat. 15:06 – 1.84m, Sun. 15:36 – 1.79m

