



Canberra Fisherman's Club Inc.

2004/2005 Annual Report

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Canberra Fisherman's Club Inc.

2004/2005 Executive

President	Chris De La Rue
Vice President	Darren Hossack
Secretary	Shane Jasprizza
Treasurer	Dave Walton
Assistant Secretary	Chris Lemmon

2005/2006 Executive

President	Chris De La Rue
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Secretary	Matthew Perdrau
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Life Members

Mike Penkethman

Alan Matthews

Brian Ray

Laurie Nolen

Jamie Stanfield



Fellow Club Members:

Last year at Burrinjuck Dad (Graham Butt aka Tangles) passed away. Although I'm sure he would have been upset at all the fuss he caused he would have been proud like I am of the way members from our club and other clubs supported each other. I would like to thank everybody who stayed and helped Chris and Shane run another successful Burrinjuck. Also to those who helped us pack up the cabin, took care of Brodie, supported mum or just held her and to everyone who tried to revive dad. Your support and help made a tough day a little easier. I think you should all be club members of the year.

Andrew Butt



PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Hello everyone,

So ends another fishing season and in part it was a pretty good year for the CFC. As I look around the room it pleases me no end to see a large number of first season members with us here tonight, and I see this as a good sign for the future of the CFC.

I believe the sign of a strong and united club can be seen in the way it's member's conduct themselves in both social and competitive situations and as I reflect back over the past twelve months a few things come to mind that make me feel proud to be your President and a member of the CFC. First was after almost 30 years of competing the same way for the club championship, the club took a big step forward and voted to open the whole year up to championship points, I believe this change has taken away the urgency to get out and fish all day and night at outings, thus giving us more relaxed and social event.

Next I go back to that tragic day on the 6th November at Burrinjuck when we lost our good friend and fishing buddy Graham Butt, at probably the clubs lowest point I watched everyone band together and support each other and complete the task at hand, and later the words of praise from our fellow ANSA clubs on our efforts are something everyone can definitely be proud of.

Moving on to February 05 when the club ventured down to Narooma to show our new members where and how to fish the area before the March convention, I remember fondly a couple of things at that outing including... spending Saturday on the estuary with new member Terry Rushton and watching him wind in fish after fish, then Saturday evening when approximately 20 members gathered on Handkerchief beach some fishing, some teaching and others just playing in the sand having a good time.

And last I think back to June just gone and remember the look on Supa Andre's face when he caught his first Albacore Tuna in Australian waters aboard Nitro the charter boat out of Narooma. The memories and feelings you get from these sorts of things are what make people come back and help to make a great club and thus leading towards our continued success.

Mentioning success this now leads me to our Sponsor's. Our sponsor's play a large part in the continued success of the club. From a small donation of a few lures, right through to the major support and sponsorship shown to us by Garry, Craig and the staff at the Fishing Hole. The club is very lucky to have a large list of local and national businesses that continue to support us year after year, and I hope you all will join me in supporting our sponsors wherever possible and thank them for their continued support.

As mentioned earlier the passing of our mate Graham was probably one of the hardest things this club has had to endure. He will be sadly missed but never forgotten, especially now that we have a new perpetual trophy in his memory for the "Heaviest Trout" caught during the current season. For me personally I miss his phone calls letting me know what he's just caught, but on the other hand I feel lucky to have some of our new members filling that void with their phone calls telling me about their fishing adventures.

While the executive and committee has served the club well over the past year, and I thank everyone for their efforts, it would be remiss of me not to mention the extraordinary efforts of Shane Jasprizza our Secretary. Shane has picked up so many tasks over the past year it makes me dizzy just thinking about it. I remember many years ago someone named me Mr. Everything... well Shane that's your title now and I personally thank you for your dedication towards the club's future.

In closing, I thank those members who have already nominated for a position on the new executive and committee, and encourage anyone who thinks they may have something to offer the club to consider sitting in a vacant position. I'll sign off now and wish you all the very best for the new season, and thank the membership for giving me the opportunity to sit as your President for the past year.



Chris De La Rue
"Good Night Dick"

SECRETARY'S REPORT

The 2004-05 year has been a mixed one for the Club. The many positives and happy times were certainly overshadowed by the passing of Graham Butt at our 30th Convention in November. A nicer, friendlier man than Graham I have not met. The little things that he did for the Club, such as booking accommodation, would often go unnoticed and unthanked. I think he was always happy for it to be that way; he was just that kind of guy. We miss you Graham.

Credit must go to the members who pulled together on the Convention weekend to ensure another successful event under such trying circumstances. You should all be proud of your efforts. A special thanks to Jamie and Chris for keeping things on track when I needed help. You guys are great.

Strong fishing results have again been a highlight for the Club, with wins at the Talbingo and Narooma Conventions becoming the norm after success again this year. Some great entries in the ANSA 12-month Competition were submitted by members along with some great new State Records. New member Knobby Clark made the most of some trips North of Sydney to make a serious dent in the results himself.

The new Competition rules certainly made things interesting this year. The leader board would change from month to month and I am certain that the new rules are an improvement for the Club. I believe that rewarding an angler for variety is far better than quantity of fish caught.

Personal fishing highlights include a great trip to fish the Sydney Sportsfishing Tournament with Darren, as well as a great charter aboard *Nitro* when we all got amongst some albacore and yellowfin (even if Bevan's had to be handed to him...). Chris Malam's determination to land his 10kg+ Fin is a capture that will stay in my mind.

Financially the Club has had another strong year, with 3 successful BBQs and the Convention making a reasonable profit again. The need to replace some of our Convention equipment will mean eating into the Club's financial reserves in the near future, but I guess that is what it's there for – to benefit the Club.

Membership numbers turned the corner this year. We had a total of 88 members (66 seniors and 22 juniors), which was up on 82 from last year. Some new blood in the Club is always welcome and it's good to see some keen fishos joining up. Hopefully we can keep the new members interested and continue the upward trend. Meeting activities are one area where we need to do more. Big E's presentation was welcome, but we need more activities to keep up interest in meetings. If you have an idea, raise it and act on it for the benefit of the Club.

Lastly, I would like to single out Craig and the Fishing Hole for their exceptional support again this year. You guys truly are a great help to the club and we are grateful for your contribution.

It's time I had a break from the Secretary role to concentrate on my study for a few years. I have certainly had an enjoyable time in the role and wish the future Secretary all the best. I might even get to go fishing a bit...

Yours in Fishing
Shane J

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TREASURER'S REPORT

The financial results for 2004-05 show a profit of \$2,030. This is after writing off \$750 worth of "Merchandise & Raffle Prizes" to better reflect the value of assets on hand. Without this write-off, the profit for the year would have been close to \$2,800. We finished the year with a very healthy bank balance of approximately \$14,400, which was up from a balance of \$11,200 last year.

The Club held 3 successful fund-raising BBQs this year, bringing in a respectable profit. Thanks to all those helpers at the BBQ's and I hope we can continue these events. Once again a financially successful Burrinjuck Convention (our 30th) was held, albeit under difficult and sad circumstances.

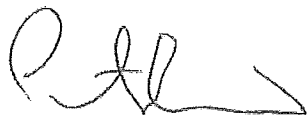
The healthy raffle ticket sales and the major raffles introduced in the second half of the year have also helped to keep the dollars ticking over. Some new members in the latter half of the year also bode well for a financially sound Club for the near future.

Shane Jasprizza
for the Treasurer

CANBERRA FISHERMAN'S CLUB INC.

2004-05 AUDITOR'S REPORT

I have satisfied myself that the attached Profit and Loss Statement and Balance Sheet for the year ended 30 June 2005 are supported by the Canberra Fisherman's Club Incorporated's books of account.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'P. Law', with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Peter Law
23 Carruthers Street
Curtin ACT 2605

Canberra Fishermans Club Inc.

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Balance Sheet

As at June 30, 2005

	<u>Jun 30, '05</u>	<u>Jun 30, '04</u>	<u>\$ Change</u>
ASSETS			
Current Assets			
Current/Savings			
Cash On Hand	50.00	422.40	-372.40
Cheque Account	14,367.18	10,821.08	3,546.10
Total Current/Savings	<u>14,417.18</u>	<u>11,243.48</u>	<u>3,173.70</u>
Other Current Assets			
Merchandise & Raffle Prizes	100.00	850.00	-750.00
Property & Equipment - At Cost	3,797.00	3,797.00	0.00
Property & Equipment - Deprec.	-3,204.00	-2,962.00	-242.00
Total Other Current Assets	<u>693.00</u>	<u>1,685.00</u>	<u>-992.00</u>
Total Current Assets	<u>15,110.18</u>	<u>12,928.48</u>	<u>2,181.70</u>
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LIABILITIES & EQUITY			
Liabilities			
Current Liabilities			
Other Current Liabilities			
Advance ANSA Fees	88.00	57.00	31.00
Advance Subscriptions	220.00	100.00	120.00
Total Other Current Liabilities	<u>308.00</u>	<u>157.00</u>	<u>151.00</u>
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Total Liabilities	<u>308.00</u>	<u>157.00</u>	<u>151.00</u>
Equity			
Retained Earnings	12,771.48	11,260.40	1,511.08
Net Income	2,030.70	1,511.08	519.62
Total Equity	<u>14,802.18</u>	<u>12,771.48</u>	<u>2,030.70</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	<u><u>15,110.18</u></u>	<u><u>12,928.48</u></u>	<u><u>2,181.70</u></u>

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Profit and Loss Statement

1 July 2004 to 30 June 2005

ange	Jul '04 - Jun '05	Jul '03 - Jun '04	\$ Change	
	Income			
	ANSA Fees Received	580.00	803.00	-223.00
	Burrinjuck Convention Income	9,463.00	9,559.20	-96.20
	Chocolate Drive - Income	720.00	964.80	-244.80
372.40	Fund Raising BBQ - Income	3,062.65	788.00	2,274.65
546.10	Income Club Outings	475.00	413.00	62.00
	Income Social Functions	624.30	887.50	-263.20
173.70	Interest Received	64.17	29.87	34.30
	Membership Dues Received	1,000.00	1,020.00	-20.00
	Merchandise Sales	2,416.00	516.65	1,899.35
750.00	Miscellaneous Income	0.00	300.00	-300.00
0.00	Raffles & Fines	3,060.35	2,545.75	514.60
242.00	Total Income	21,465.47	17,827.77	3,637.70
892.00	Expense			
	Accounting & Audit Cost	53.29	41.00	12.29
	Bank Service Charges	183.20	180.00	3.20
181.70	Chocolate Drive - Expense	479.96	483.96	-4.00
	Club Outing Expenses	620.00	517.00	103.00
181.70	Convention Expenses (Burrijuck)	6,480.07	6,151.51	328.56
	Depreciation Expense	242.00	266.00	-24.00
	Dues & Subscriptions (ANSA)	681.00	995.00	-314.00
	Equipment Repairs	0.00	23.05	-23.05
	Fund Raising BBQ - Expense	1,150.40	204.05	946.35
	Gifts and Donations	500.00	0.00	500.00
31.00	Government Charges	49.40	45.10	4.30
120.00	Insurance	540.60	1,112.21	-571.61
	Merchandise Purchase	2,168.76	189.50	1,979.26
151.00	Miscellaneous	995.84	1,247.75	-251.91
	Office Supplies	21.75	75.75	-54.00
151.00	Operating Expenses	435.46	112.69	322.77
	Postage and Delivery	334.00	337.57	-3.57
	Printing and Stationery	331.50	488.76	-157.26
151.00	Raffle Prize Purchase	1,666.22	1,488.32	177.90
	Social Functions	1,500.87	1,311.77	189.10
	Trailer Expenses	52.00	52.00	0.00
511.08	Trophies	514.45	569.70	-55.25
519.62	Uncategorised Expenses	0.00	0.00	0.00
2,030.70	Van Expenses	434.00	424.00	10.00
	Total Expense	19,434.77	16,316.69	3,118.08
2,181.70	Net Income	2,030.70	1,511.08	519.62

RECORDER'S REPORT

This year was a big year for the club, in more ways than one. Aside from dealing with dramas that we do not normally face, and a significant influx of new members, this was the first year of a revamped Club Championship format. We moved away from our traditional outings-based club competition where the winners seemed to come from those anglers who caught the most carp and salmon to a species-based competition whereby only your best capture of each species contributed to your overall pointscore for the year.

What resulted was a dynamic and fluid competition, with constant changes in angler's scores and positioning throughout the year. I for one found it an invigorating and stimulating way to fish, constantly on the lookout for opportunities to look for another species.

Another big benefit was to take the competitive aspect away from the outings themselves allowing a lot more scope for involving other people in the outings and promoting a more relaxed approach.

2004/05 was a little bigger fish-wise than 2003/04, with a rise in the number of captures from last year, which, it must be said was a pretty poor year. There were 366 captures this year, plus one fish tagged, a rise of some 70 captures from 2003/04.

Those 366 captures were logged by 39 individual anglers (32 last year). 7 of those anglers were junior members.

Of those 366 captures, 154 (148 last year) were Masters-class captures of 100 points or more (or 80 points for Juniors). These were captured by 29 anglers (21 last year) including 7 Juniors.

There were 48 individual species logged this year, well up from last year's 32. The most popular species logged (fairly normally) were carp (85, up from 76 last year), rainbow trout (44, up from 26 last year), and australian salmon (35, down from 52 last year). A full listing is provided below.

EUROPEAN CARP	81
RAINBOW TROUT	44
AUSTRALIAN SALMON	35
BROWN TROUT	27
TAILOR	24
REDFIN PERCH	17
YELLOWFIN BREEM	16
SNAPPER	15
ALBACORE	14
DUSKY FLATHEAD	10
AUSTRALIAN BONITO	9
YELLOWFIN TUNA	9
GOLDEN PERCH	8
YELLOWTAIL KINGFISH	7
BLUE THREADFIN SALMON	4
MULLET	3
QUEENFISH	3
BLUE MORWONG	2
LONGTAIL TUNA	2
MAKO SHARK	2
MURRAY COD	2
NARROW BARRED MACKEREL	2
ROCK BLACKFISH	2
SAND FLATHEAD	2
SILVER PERCH	2
SILVER TREVALLY	2
ATLANTIC SALMON	1
AUSTRALIAN BASS	1
BROOK TROUT	1
EEL TAILED CATFISH (FRESHWATER)	1
ESTUARY COD	1
FINGERMARK SEA PERCH	1
FLOUNDER	1
FRIGATE MACKEREL	1
GOLDEN TREVALLY	1

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	SLIMY MACKEREL	1
	SPOTTED MACKEREL	1
ositioning	STRIPED TUNA	1
lookout	SWEEP	1
	WATSON LEAPING BONITO	1
	WRASSE & PARROT	1

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The total weight of the fish weighed in was 911.96 kg, for an average weight of 2.49kg, well up on average. I suspect this is due to the unusually large number of yellowfin tuna and albacore weighed in this year, along with some other larger species not seen for a while such as longtail tuna and mako sharks etc.

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The captures were, as usual spread over a wide range of ANSA divisions and sections as below.

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	Flycasting-Freshwater	4
	Gamefishing-Beach	2
80 points	Gamefishing-Bluewater	29
	Gamefishing-Estuary	3
	Gamefishing-Freshwater	33
pecies	Gamefishing-Rocks	1
ir), and	Handline-Freshwater	1
	Landbased Gamefishing-Beach	1
	Landbased Gamefishing-Estuary	1
	Landbased Gamefishing-Freshwater	19
	Landbased Gamefishing-Rocks	1
	Lurecasting-Beach	1
	Lurecasting-Bluewater	12
	Lurecasting-Estuary	15
	Lurecasting-Freshwater	12
	Sportfishing-Beach	18
	Sportfishing-Bluewater	53
	Sportfishing-Estuary	39
	Sportfishing-Freshwater	117
	Sportfishing-Rocks	3

There were 34 new Club line-class records set this year, and there were 3 new All-Time Boardfish records.

Apart from our internal club captures and competitions, CFC members were also prominent in a number of ANSA NSW competitions.

NSW State Titles

15 CFC members fishing in 6 teams fished the NSW State Titles. This was our best representation so far.

Frank Res, Mario Imbriano and Tony Morosin took out 2nd place in the team section for the Standard-tackle division, whilst Rhiannon and James Hossack took out 3rd place in the Junior Light-tackle division.

Individually, Frank took out 2nd place in the individual Standard-tackle division, while Rhiannon took out 3rd in the individual Junior Girl's Light-tackle division.

NSW 12-Month Competition

The CFC had a large number of entries in the ANSA NSW 12-Month competition, and, as a result, had many individual anglers win and place in different sections of this competition. In addition, CFC came 3rd in the Champion Club category.

Knobby Clark, Chris Lemmon, and Rhiannon Hossack all won a category in the 12-Month competition, while Knobby, Shane Jasprizza, Chris Lemmon, Steve Bailey, Chris Malam, Frank Res and myself all placed 2nd or 3rd.

The results of the 12-Month comp are in this Yearbook, so check them out.

NSW State Records

2004/05 saw a large number of CFC members set NSW State Records, some multiple times. 19 CFC members currently hold a total of 63 NSW Line-class Records, as well as 12 All-tackle records. This is a sizeable percentage of the 248 Line-class and 51 All-Tackle records currently in existence.

A copy of the current NSW Record Chart is included in this yearbook.

Darren Hossack
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~ LIST OF TROPHY WINNER'S ~

Club Champion	-	Jason "Knobby" Clark
Ladies Champion	-	Rhiannon Hossack
Junior Champion	-	Tom Stanfield
Land Based Champion	-	Steve Bailey
Freshwater Champion	-	Jason "Knobby" Clark
Saltwater Champion	-	Jason "Knobby" Clark
All Tackle Champion	-	Shane Jasprizza
Junior All Tackle Champion	-	Tom Stanfield
Most Versatile Angler	-	Jason "Knobby" Clark
Tagging Champion	-	Mario Imbriano

Most Improved Angler	-	Andre Pretorius
Most Meritorious Capture	-	Chris Malam
Most Improved Junior	-	Tom Stanfield
Club Member of the Year	-	Shane Jasprizza

Fanbelt Award	-	Beven Smith
The Albino Shark Award	-	Steve Bailey
The Prop	-	Mario Imbriano
Stirrers Spoon	-	Keith Smith
The Net	-	
The Mario Maneuver	-	Shane Jasprizza

~ CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP ~

Overall Champion

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JASON "KNOBBY" CLARK	3138 Points
CHRIS LEMMON	1771 Points
DARREN HOSSACK	1508 Points
SHANE JASPRIZZA	1468 Points
FRANK RES	1154 Points

Ladies Champion

Proudly sponsored by: May Sum Chinese Restaurant

RHIANNON HOSSACK	310 Points
ASHLEY LEMMON	222 Points
LEANNE HYLAND	94 Points
TAYLOR LEMMON	89 Points
MERRIEL HOSSACK	69 Points

Junior Champion

Proudly sponsored by: May Sum Chinese Restaurant

TOM STANFIELD	358 Points
RHIANNON HOSSACK	310 Points
JAMES HOSSACK	222 Points
ASHLEY LEMMON	222 Points
TAYLOR LEMMON	89 Points

Land Based Champion

Proudly sponsored by: Jax Transtate

STEVE BAILEY	670 Points
DARREN HOSSACK	645 Points
JASON "KNOBBY" CLARK	601 Points
CHRIS LEMMON	584 Points
SHANE JASPRIZZA	439 Points

Freshwater Champion

Proudly sponsored by: BTS

JASON "KNOBBY" CLARK	950 Points
DARREN HOSSACK	744 Points
DAVE WALTON	692 Points
SHANE JASPRIZZA	613 Points
CHRIS LEMMON	591 Points

Saltwater Champion

Proudly sponsored by: Canberra Diamond Blade Suppliers

JASON "KNOBBY" CLARK	2138 Points
CHRIS LEMMON	1180 Points
FRANK RES	955 Points
SHANE JASPRIZZA	855 Points
CHRIS DE LA RUE	802 Points

Most Versatile Angler

JASON "KNOBBY" CLARK	49 Points
CHRIS LEMMON	46 Points
DARREN HOSSACK	25 Points
SHANE JASPRIZZA	24 Points
CHRIS De La RUE	22 Points

~ CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP ~

Continued

All Tackle Champion

Proudly sponsored by: JB's Outboard Service Centre

SHANE JASPRIZZA	46 Points
DARREN HOSSACK	29 Points
CHRIS DE LA RUE	29 Points
MARIO IMBRIANO	28 Points
CHRIS LEMMON	21 Points

Sub Junior All Tackle Champion

Proudly sponsored by: May Sum Chinese Restaurant

TOM STANFIELD	8 Points
ASHLEY LEMMON	6 Points
TAYLOR LEMMON	3 Points
RHIANNON HOSSACK	3 Points
JAMES HOSSACK	2 Points

CFC - Best Fish - 2004/05

24-Jul-05

BEACH

AUSTRALIAN SALMON

2.10kg on 1 kg

CHRIS DE LA RUE

252 Points

BLUEWATER

SNAPPER

6.85kg on 1 kg

KNOBBY CLARK

685 Points

ESTUARY

AUSTRALIAN SALMON

1.96kg on 1 kg

CHRIS LEMMON

235 Points

FRESHWATER

EUROPEAN CARP

5.94kg on 1 kg

DARREN HOSSACK

475 Points

ROCKS

AUSTRALIAN SALMON

1.57kg on 1 kg

CHRIS DE LA RUE

188 Points

BEST SHARK OR RAY

MAKO SHARK

18.49kg on 10 kg

KNOBBY CLARK

185 Points

SALTWATER FLY

QUEENFISH

4.5kg

CHRIS LEMMON

TAGGING TROPHY

10 Points

MARIO IMBRIANO

The Fishing Hole

Freshwater, Saltwater, Game & Flyfishing

Canberra's Premier Fishing Tackle Store

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CFC BOARD FISH 2003/04

24-Jul-05

ALBACORE	8.21 kg	GLEN MALAM
ATLANTIC SALMON	0.60 kg	GRAHAM BUTT
AUSTRALIAN BASS	0.75 kg	STEVE BAILEY
AUSTRALIAN BONITO	6.60 kg	FRANK RES
AUSTRALIAN SALMON	3.15 kg	KNOBBY CLARK
BLUE MORWONG	2.48 kg	KNOBBY CLARK
BLUE THREADFIN SALMON	3.20 kg	CHRIS LEMMON
BROOK TROUT	1.20 kg	GRAHAM BUTT
BROWN TROUT	2.90 kg	TONY MOROSIN
DUSKY FLATHEAD	2.10 kg	CHRIS DE LA RUE
EEL TAILED CATFISH	0.55 kg	ANDREW BUTT
ESTUARY COD	1.00 kg	CHRIS LEMMON
EUROPEAN CARP	6.28 kg	SHANE JASPRIZZA
FINGERMARK SEA PERCH	0.80 kg	CHRIS LEMMON
FRIGATE MACKEREL	0.53 kg	DARREN HOSSACK
GOLDEN PERCH	4.97 kg	KNOBBY CLARK
GOLDEN TREVALLY	4.70 kg	CHRIS LEMMON
GURNARD	2.05 kg	KNOBBY CLARK
JAVELIN FISH	0.80 kg	CHRIS LEMMON
LONGTAIL TUNA	14.80 kg	KNOBBY CLARK
MACKERAL TUNA	6.25 kg	DAVE WALTON
MAKO SHARK	18.49 kg	KNOBBY CLARK
MANGROVE JACK	0.90 kg	CHRIS LEMMON
MULLET	1.70 kg	CHRIS DE LA RUE
MULLOWAY	2.33 kg	COLIN CLARK
MURRAY COD	5.30 kg	KARREN HARPER
NARROW BARRED MACKEREL	8.82 kg	BEN LEMMON
QUEENFISH	6.50 kg	CHRIS LEMMON
RAINBOW TROUT	1.62 kg	GRAHAM BUTT
REDFIN PERCH	2.27 kg	KNOBBY CLARK
ROCK BLACKFISH	2.15 kg	DAVE WALTON
ROCK BLACKFISH	2.15 kg	SHANE JASPRIZZA
SAND FLATHEAD	0.75 kg	ROB SAFRAN
SCHOOL MACKEREL	1.20 kg	CHRIS LEMMON
SILVER TREVALLY	1.00 kg	CHRIS LEMMON
SNAPPER	6.85 kg	KNOBBY CLARK
SPOTTED MACKEREL	4.40 kg	BEN LEMMON
STRIPED TUNA	2.19 kg	CHRIS LEMMON
SWEEP	0.54 kg	DARREN HOSSACK
TAILOR	2.10 kg	KNOBBY CLARK
WATSON'S LEAPING BONITO	0.86 kg	COLIN CLARK
YELLOWFIN BREAM	1.92 kg	KNOBBY CLARK
YELLOWFIN TUNA	41.00 kg	FRANK RES
YELLOWTAIL KINGFISH	14.95 kg	KNOBBY CLARK

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2005 NSW State Titles – Final Results

Category		Light Tackle		Standard Tackle
Senior Team	1 st	Wollongong 2 - 3200 pts (Chris Stolk, Terry Tatton, Travis Anderson)	1 st	Nowra 1 - 1016.31 pts (Rod Sparks, Glen Edwards, Wayne Colling)
	2 nd	Wollongong 1 - 2880 pts (Greg, Ainsley and Morgan Clarke)	2 nd	Canberra 3 - 647.5 pts (Mario Imbriano, Frank Res, Tony Morosin)
	3 rd	Bermagui 1 - 1624.8 pts (Henry Vrielink, Barbara Stoddard, Nicki Stoddard)	3 rd	Wollongong 4 - 210.75 pts (Leo and Kimberley Stolk)
Junior Team	1 st	Wollongong 7 - 1014 pts (Jonathan and Lauren Tatton)	1 st	No entries
	2 nd	Bermagui 5 - 717.6 pts (Andrew Caves, Dean Ford, Leigh Manning)	2 nd	
	3 rd	Canberra 6 - 380.8 pts (Rhannon and James Hossack)	3 rd	
Senior Male	1 st	Greg Clarke , Wollongong (1740 pts)	1 st	Glen Edwards , Nowra (582.06 pts)
	2 nd	Terry Tatton , Wollongong (1663 pts)	2 nd	Frank Res , Canberra (547.5 pts)
	3 rd	Chris Stolk , Wollongong (1141 pts)	3 rd	Wayne Colling , Nowra (380.25 pts)
Ladies	1 st	Barbara Stoddard , Bermagui (471.6 pts)	1 st	No entries
	2 nd	Kimberley Stolk , Wollongong (408 pts)	2 nd	
	3 rd	Susan Scobie , Bermagui (326.7 pts)	3 rd	
Junior Boy	1 st	Andrew Caves , Bermagui (418.2 pts)	1 st	Lachlan Fletcher , Wollongong (77.5 pts)
	2 nd	Joshua Colling , Nowra (368 pts)	2 nd	
	3 rd	Jonathon Tatton , Wollongong (329 pts)	3 rd	
Junior Girl	1 st	Ainsley Clarke , Wollongong (504 pts)	1 st	No entries
	2 nd	Sheridan Rose , Bermagui (204.6 pts)	2 nd	
	3 rd		3 rd	
Sub-Jr Boy	1 st	Braedon Sinclair , Newcastle (277.5 pts)	1 st	No entries
	2 nd	Caleb Verdon , Bermagui (19.2 pts)	2 nd	
	3 rd		3 rd	
Sub-Jr Girl	1 st	Lauren Tatton , Wollongong (685 pts)	1 st	No entries
	2 nd	Morgan Clarke , Wollongong (636 pts)	2 nd	
	3 rd	Rhannon Hossack , Canberra (380.8 pts)	3 rd	

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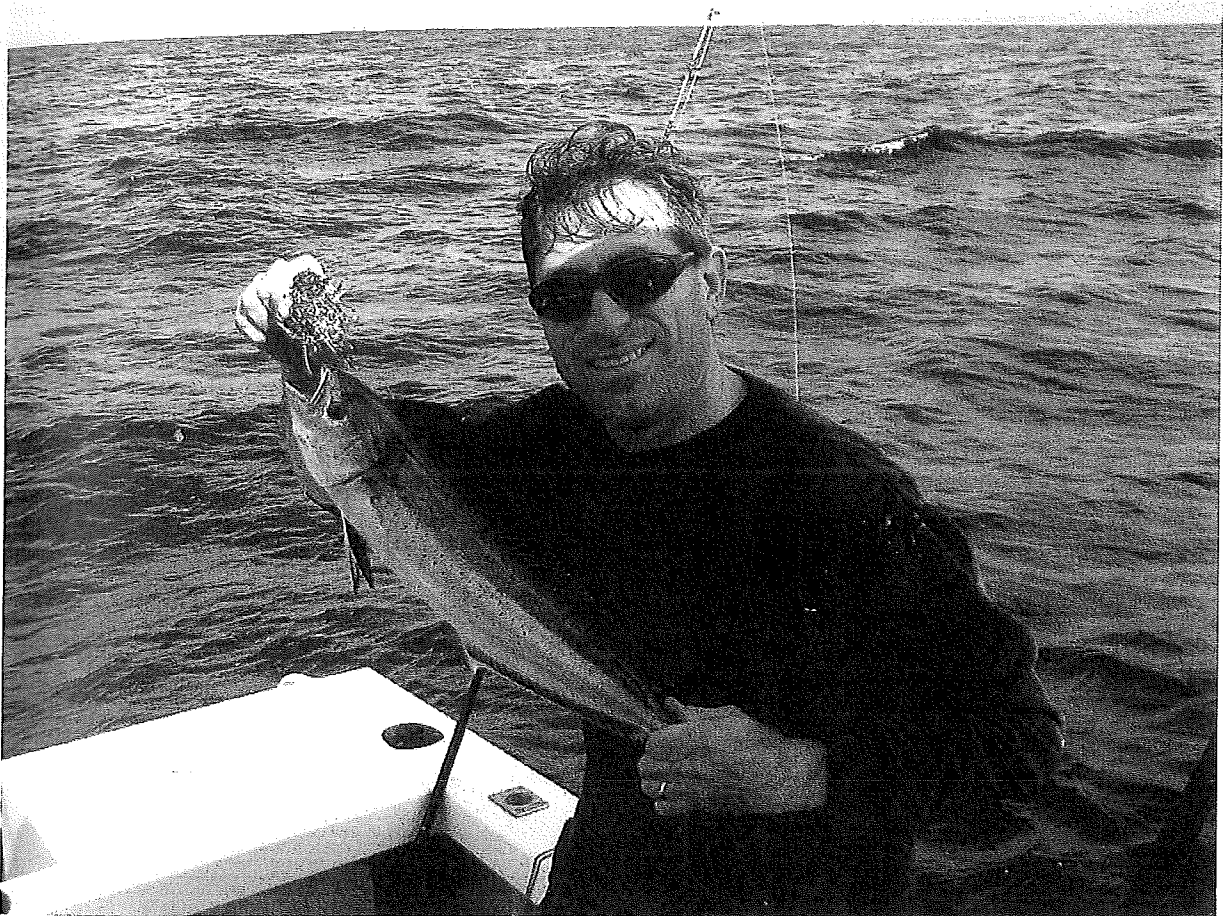
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~ PHOTO COMPETITION ~

There were 9 entries received in this year's photo competition

1st Place

Photographer: Darren Hossack



Good Points

- Razor sharp focus
- Nice tight framing
- Great colour.
- Subject is intriguing

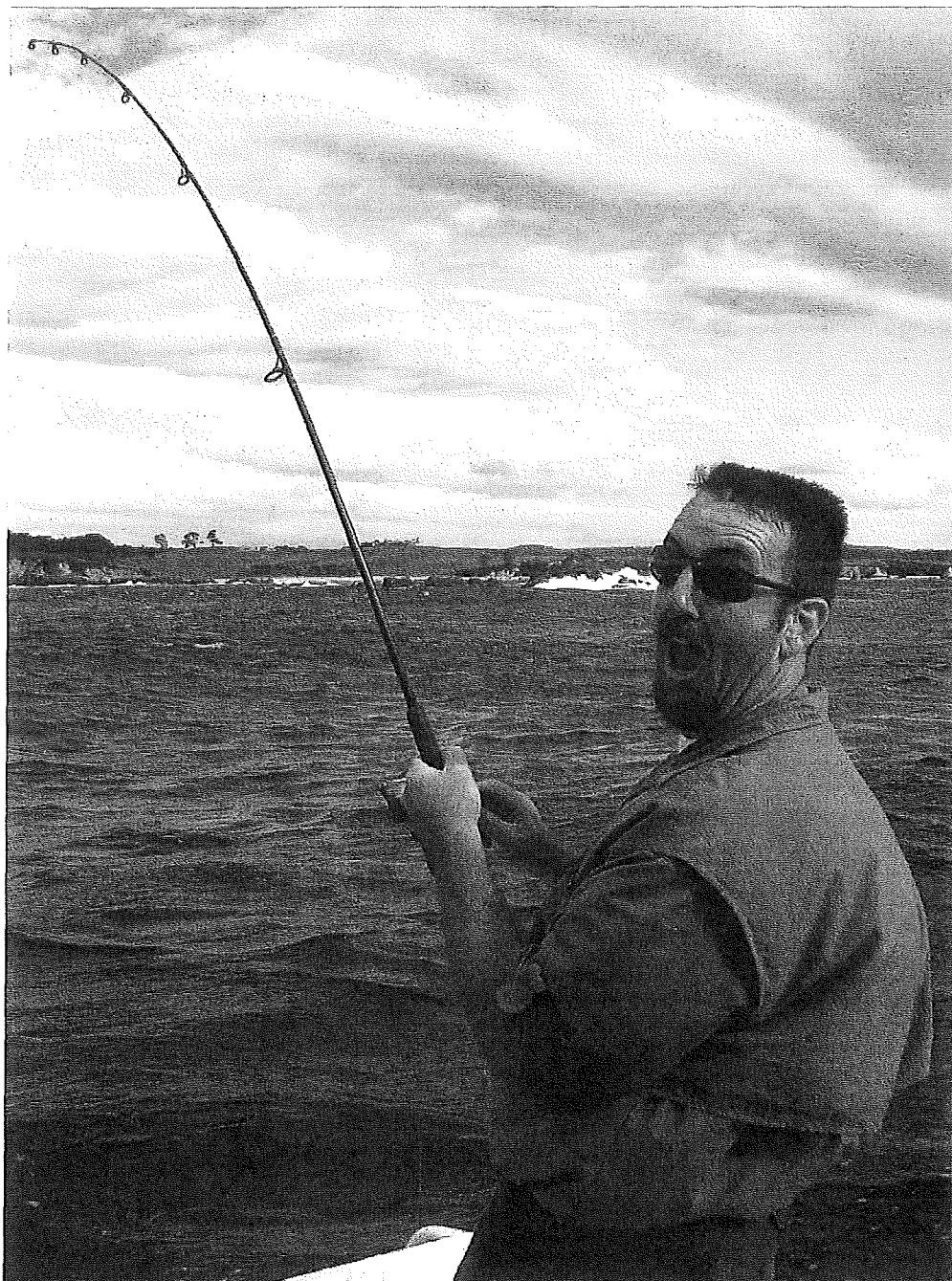
Improvements

- If the sun was directly on the fish and the angler it would have lifted this shot even further.

~ PHOTO COMPETITION ~

2nd Place

Photographer: Darren Hossack



Good Points

- Great expression and subject
- Razor sharp focus
- Anyone who has fished would get a chuckle out of this shot

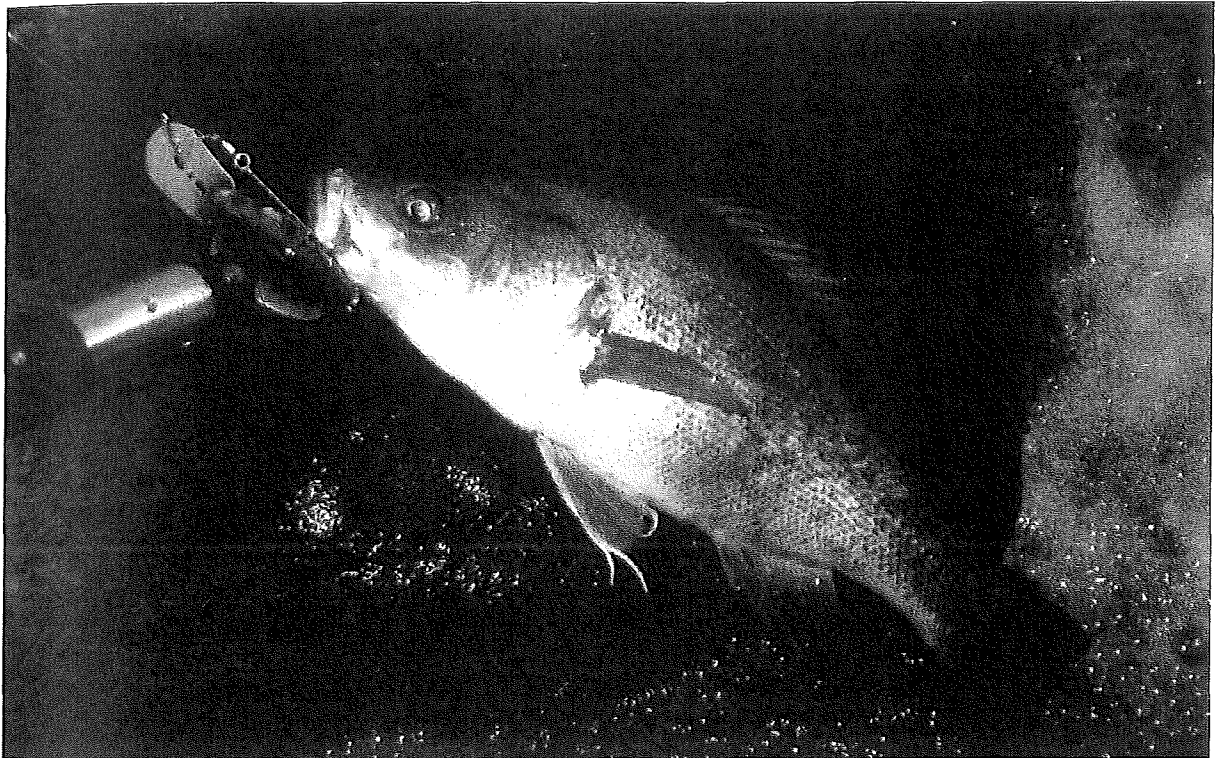
Improvements

- Does Jason know flat tops are out!

~ PHOTO COMPETITION ~

3rd Place

Photographer: Matthew Perdrau



Good Points

- Nice and interesting shot
- Tight framing
- Pretty good focus & colour

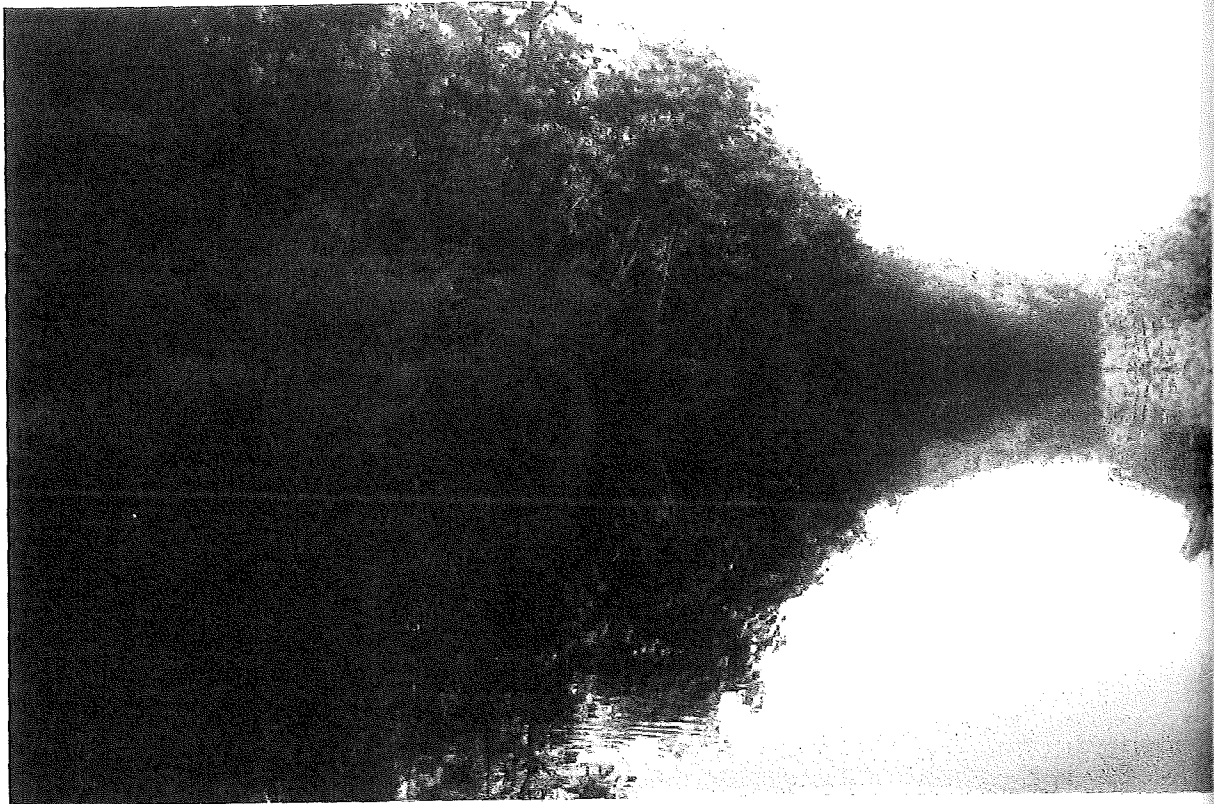
Improvements

- A sharper focus would have made this shot a beauty but difficult to do without an SLR camera

~ PHOTO COMPETITION ~

4th Place

Photographer: Shane Jasprizza



Good Points

- Terrific subject
- I had to really look to work
- out which way to hold it at
- first - Great frame split

Improvements

- As you can see it is a bit overexposed
- From a publishing aspect, had there been
- a boat or a canoe in the lower right of the
- shot casting to the left, it would have
- been a winner

Official Judge

Patrick Brennan

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TO: CANBERRA FISHING CLUB

Good day to each and everyone of all your fishos

RECOLLECTIONS OF THE YEAR

As you all know we are approaching the end of this fishing season (if my understanding is correct) and Chris de La Rue has asked for anybody to put a few words on paper. Now I was definitely not going to do it BUT then I started to think back about what has happened to me this last year. Needless to say that I felt the urge to share it with all of you.

Now before I go on I would like to remind you all that English is not my first language and therefore I do apologize in advance for any spelling and or grammar mistakes.

I remember that Craig from the Fishing hole told this stranger from abroad about this great club he new and immediately phoned a bloke called Chris De La Rue. I was invited as a guest to the next meeting to look things out and then I was told about the Narooma convention. There I saw just how the guys from this club did their thing and decided to give it a go. What I really admired was the honesty from Chris in saying that the fishing year was nearly over and not to waste any money by joining then, but to wait until the next fishing year starts before I sign up.

To you all, I guess that this was just another year, but to me, this was the greatest year. Everything was new to me and sometimes I felt like I did not know what you guys were saying (techniques, tackle and the aussie slang). I guess it was this learning curve that made things so interesting to me and I must admit I am still sometimes lost. I met a lot of nice guys (and girls, Sara and Mel) that showed me a lot of new interesting techniques. I also made a few very nice friends and hope that our friendship will only build in strength during the coming fishing year.

GEAR ADJUSTMENT

The first thing I had to adjust to, was to down size in line strength. I didn't even use any line less than 4kg for carp fishing and now I am told to go to 1kg in the surf. My excellent surf fishing rod of \$1000.00 was also not acceptable and I had to down size there as well. Thanks to the friendly suggestions from club members as well as Craig and other staff from the Fishing hole, the choice of what to buy was made very easy. I still have a problem with that 1 kg in the surf but at least I am trying it out.

Crazy bloody Aussies

One thing I can say about the lighter line class is that it is working pretty damn well. If I think back on how many times I have fished in South Africa (sometimes for a week and longer) and not get a bite and then on how many more fish I have been catching here. Lets just say, I am not used to coming back empty handed any more. Once again I have to thank and give credit to so many of you guys in showing me or even just telling me where and how to fish. The combination between the lighter gear and the help from the club members has been absolutely magnificent.

FISH SPECIES

It has not just helped me in catching more fish, but I have also been catching so many different species that I have never caught before in my life. To make it even more impressive is the fact that I have been catching legal size fish. Now that, in it self says a hell of a lot to me. To just give you guys an idea of all my new species that I have caught so far for this year: sweep; flathead; Australian salmon; bream; snapper although juvenile; pike; slimy mackerel; shovelnose shark; red fin and even brown and rainbow trout. Now we can't forget those beautiful albacore can we?

NEW TECHNIQUES – BAIT AND LURE

To you guys this might be nothing, but to someone that is only used to catching tailor; sharks; and the odd black tail, the 12 new species and all of it in one year makes this my best fishing year ever. Man this was an absolute marvellous year. I also realized that if it was not for the soft plastics, I guess the variety would not have been that big. As far as I know there are no soft plastics for salt water in South Africa, and personally I think that this has been the best discovery for me this year. When it comes to bait fishing, there are three occasions that really stand out for me and they were: the technique of Australian salmon fishing from the beach that Chris showed me and bream fishing with crabs that Terry showed me and the LBG fishing that Alex showed me. Thanks you guys.

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BOAT FISHING

Now some of you guys know and have even seen my little rubber duck. Since I don't trust the motor too much (Wyangala dam for instance) I don't use it as often as I should. Luckily for me, I have been invited to do fishing on some of your boats and as I am not used to this kind of fishing it has always been a very informative and great experience. Darren to you in particular I would like to thank in not just taking me on your boat but also in showing me some of the most wonderful landscapes I have ever seen. As someone having Mother Nature very close at heart, those cliffs around Sydney were absolutely astonishing.

EXPLORING NEW COUNTRY

That brings me to another point about this year being so great. Being new in this country and not knowing what to expect on the next outing, always gives me a feeling of excitement. I see so much more of this absolutely wonderful country and by this I mean, seeing things that the average tourist will never see. Meeting people that the average tourist will never meet and experiencing what the average tourist will never experience. Being in so many different countries for either hunting, fishing, holiday, or diplomatic reasons, I REALLY REALLY would like to ask you guys to just sit back every now and again and think what you have in this country. Don't just take it for granted you guys. It is a real gem that you have here. LOOK AFTER IT!!

NEXT YEAR

With this year as wonderful as it was, I am REALLY, REALLY looking forward to next year. I can't expect it to be as good as this year but then you never know what might happen next year. I do know of a few other new species that I would like to target and I have a few PB that needs improving on.

THANK YOU

To all of the committee members in particular, I say thank you for what you have done this year. Not just for me but for the club as a whole. I know it is not always easy but personally I think you did a pretty swell job. Even to the rat I'd like to say thanks for all the laughs. To all of the other club members, I extend my gratitude as well. If not for your input, the club would not have existed and therefore I would not have had such a great year. I THANK YOU ALL FOR THIS YEAR.

LAST NOTE

Chris, I don't know how you managed to end the year on such a great note with all the albacore (and at the so called worse time of the year). What I do know is that you created one hell of a president and I am going to keep you to equal that, at the end of next year mate. HE HE HE!!! From one exceptional happy member, may you and those that went to the best fishing grounds, all have tight lines.

Greetings

Andre Pretorius
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To the Canberra Fisherman's Club Inc

Hello to all those who are reading this. My name is Jason (KNOBBY) Clark, and I have been a member of the club now since about November 2004. The first club outing I attended as part of the Canberra Fisherman's Club, was to the opening of the Murray Cod season at Mulwala. This happens each year around the first weekend in December. Mulwala (for those that are interested) is about 4 ½ to 5 hours drive from Canberra. There were some excellent catches that weekend including a 17 pound yellow belly that was released after weighing. Unfortunately they were caught the day before the bloody tournament started, but hey that's fishing.

My next fishing trip saw me at the trailer boat tournament held at Pt Stephens. After a cancellation by the brother in-law early in the week, I had given up hope of going. Then at 11pm on the Thursday before the tournament I received a phone call from the fellas up they're telling me they were short, two crew. So with a quick "whatever" from the wife I was on my way. I arrived on their doorstep at about 5:30 am; the weather was crap, wind and rain, but I was sporting a big esky and I was in the mood to fish. I woke everyone and after some choice words that I will not repeat, everyone was doing there best to get at least some waterproof clothes on. The rest is history, over the 4 days we were there saw me haul in some good fish, including a 14.8 kg long tail tuna and a 14.95 kg king fish both on 6 kg line. In total I managed ten masters entries for the club, and managed to feed seven lazy buggers who are all allergic to fishing in the rain.

April had me back in Pt Stephens helping the farther in law with the move to his new house. Whilst up there I had the pleasure of meeting the next-door neighbours, two lovely ladies who just so happened to also love fishing. After fixing their boiler, witch heated the spa; I had secured a spot aboard their brand new Nantucket whaler. Don't worry wife, these girls don't like boys that much. The ladies were keen, 6 am saw us at the soldiers point boat ranch, and if I recall correctly it was only ten minutes to the bait grounds outside the heads. We managed some good slimey's and headed off to try our luck at their secret spot. On the way around the back of cabbage tree Island we found a dead cuttle fish carcass floating so it was netted, for either berley or bait. The secret spot was full of boats at anchor, so we tried secret spot No 2, and what a spot it turned out to be. I was relatively new to this ANSA line class thing, and having recently bought a 1 Kg outfit, it was this rod and reel for me today no matter what. So after three bust offs I got the 2 Kg spool and rigged it up. The girls were having a good laugh with jokes like "you need the hook in the water to catch fish up here knobby" and so on. It was a top day with the water as flat as a tack, beautiful sunshine, not a cloud in the sky, and me with my hook finally back in the water. One thing about this light line class stuff, when you finally do hook a fish of size it sure looks impressive. I thought this must be the thing that was busting me off on the 1Kg, a blue mowong of 2.48 Kg. Next fish to buckle the rod turned out to be a 4.65 kg snapper, and things were looking good. With the confidence back, it was time to go to 1Kg again. First fish on the 1Kg was a 2.05 Kg gurnard, followed by a suicidal snapper than came to the boat with ease weighing a mere 6.85 Kg. We all agreed we had enough fish so we headed back in through the heads. I was showing the girls some of the bream soft plastics I had made up to look like black rock crabs, when they said we should try in at the marina near the fishing co-op. After a few casts and drifting I managed to get hammered by a top bream, 1.87 Kg on the 1 Kg. With this fish in the keeper, it was time to head home and wash the boat.

May was a good month, not only did I have a birthday but I had the opportunity to test out the little boat in salt water. The little boat is a stessl 4.35mtr edge tracker side console with a 40 hp Tohatsu, and it is a little ripper. Terry, my brother in-law, was passing through Canberra on his way back to Culcairn from Sydney, and wanted to go for a fish down at Bateman's Bay. So we left the next morning and hit the bay about 8 am, at hanging rock we asked two boats that were just coming in if there was much happening. They told us a few flat head on the drift east of snapper Is, the water was flat as so we headed out. After getting some small fish that looked like good bait we headed for a reef between the tollgates and black rock. Terry floated two bates on balloons about twenty metres from the boat and I set the sea anchor to hold us at a slow drift. No sooner had we tidied up the mess we had made in the boat, when we had the first outfit smacked by something that cut us off clean. So re-rigged we through the line back out with another balloon float, and bang the second line was hit and cut off. All lines were pulled in and we made two passes across the reef, north to south and east to west. We sounded some fair sized arches and agreed that the lack of a good run and the simple cut of meant most probably shark. Out came the ever popular 250 pound leaders I have ready made up for just this occasion, and another bait was set with a good 4 metres under the balloon. It did not take long for the first strike and that meant terry was on to his first shark, and the grin on his face was worth it. You see salt-water fishing is somewhat of a rarity for terry as he is mostly a fresh water angler, after cod and yellas. The fish was like most mako sharks we have caught before, not the crazed fighting machine you would expect, at least not until you have the gaff or tail rope on them. Hahah. I had all the lines in and the sea anchor by the time terry had the little fella up to the boat, so I got the tail rope on him with no dramas and the rest is history. All up for the morning we boated four sharks with the best going 18.49 Kg on 10 kg tackle. We sure looked a sight towing the four back to the boat ramp. It wasn't till we were just about to leave when this old fella came over and told us we were in the right spot at the right time. Mako sharks it seems

are not too different to the average human in the sense that they aren't that keen on rough seas either, and head for the shallows as well.

My family hit the in-laws the next day for a couple of birthdays and mothers day of course. We also had near on forty Kg of shark fillet to feed everyone, and in hindsight we needed every bit of it too. I met an old fella at the Bonn fire that night that was having some trouble with his cool room, so as you do when there is alcohol involved, I volunteered to go and have a look at it in the morning. It wasn't too hard getting up the next morning, as we were still all around the bloody fire when the sun was coming up. Terry was the guide and I had the little esky, and as with most small towns if you have to go somewhere, you just walk. Konk, the old fella, was already up and setting the fire under his smoker. I was shown the dodgy cool room in question and with out too much trouble she was all fixed and we were all standing near the smoker for a bit of warmth. Big old style smoker, about ten feet of fully enclosed arched brick work long, and then up about eight feet at an angle to a double door set up with four rows of hangers. For an indication of the size, I reckon you could easily hang two full sheep in the smoker, with room to spare. Konk said he was smoking some Red Finn he and his grandson had caught the day before, and when he opened the door of the smoker there sure were some fish in there, but I hadn't ever seen Red Finn that big before. So with not too much arm-twisting, he drew us a mud map of where this body of water could be found. All we needed was someone sober to drive.

Terry's dad volunteered and was keen for some smoked Red Finn as well. All up there were four of us in the car and after only 45 minutes and two tree stopes we were there. The secret that konk had told us was to use a donkey's dick of Devon, as bait, but if the turtles started to show up, stop using it straight away. In case you are wondering what a donkey's dick of Devon is, it is a roll of processed Devon you get from country supermarkets about 12 inches long and about three inches thick. I am no expert, but I would say that it is comparable, if only on the slack. Back to fishing, we had the best fun fishing for these little buggers; Mathew, my nephew, took out the biggest fish of the day 2.6 Kg of very well fed Red Finn. In total we nailed 76 for about two and a half hours of fishing, only leaving when the eyes started to get heavy on the partygoers. I managed 2.27 Kg on 1 Kg line and about the smallest we got went 700 grams. The water way is a land lock that is used for the flooding of the rice fields, but with the drought, the water has just been continually pumped around the water ducts, and with the winds and the grasshoppers there is no wonder they were in such good condition and size. At home Konk was happy to swap some of the smoked fish for the fresh ones we had, as he knew we were travelling back to Canberra the next day.

My next outing had me over at Wyangala dam, I think at the moment they should consider renaming it to why bother. This was my second outing with the club for the year and as far as I am concerned we should wait for a good drop of rain before returning. Nothing against the fishing it is just my poor Ute doesn't like the soft ground very much. I had a great time socially and it was good to spend a bit of time with some of the members of the club outside just the meetings. I am sure young Tom Stanfield would not agree with my comments about Wyangala as he absolutely cleaned up, and good on him, cause it is great to see a junior having a go and just as good to see a dad who is encouraging it.

Last but not least I would like to say how pleased I am with the CFC as this is the first non-game fishing club I have been a member of. I have only been a member for 6 or 7 months but have enjoyed it immensely and look forward to next years fishing and getting to go to a few more outings.

Thankyou

Jason Knobby Clark

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