

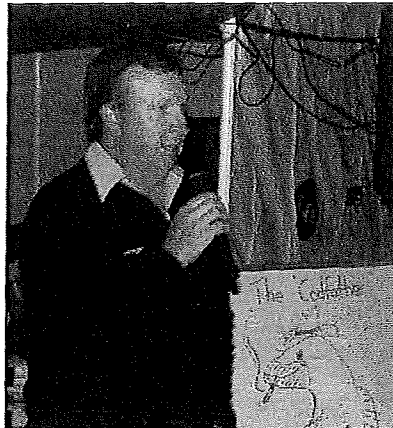
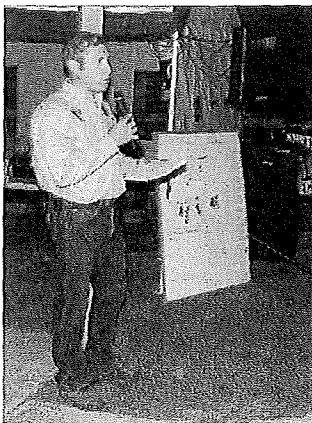
Major Fund Raising Events 2012/2013

Once again the Club has managed to run two major fund raising events for the year. The events were the Burrinjuck Convention and the Canberra Carp-Out. Both of these events were only made success due to the support of membership volunteers, sponsors and supporters. Below is a summary of the events.

The 38th Annual Burrinjuck Convention (2-4 November 2012)

by Sarah Borman

The weekend of the 2-4 November 2012 was the 38th Annual Burrinjuck Convention, hosted by the Canberra Fisherman's Club (CFC). This convention is part of the NSW Australian National Sportfishing Association (ANSA) convention circuit. The CFC team started arriving at the Burrinjuck State Waters Park just after Friday 8 am and transformed Lawlers picnic area into their convention headquarters, by erecting a huge marquee for a dining area, another for the convention kitchen, and two smaller structures for the Weigh-in Station and the Secretary's tent.



Glen Malam, CFC President, (left) and Dean Brind, Manager, Burrinjuck Waters State Park, give welcoming addresses on Friday night.

Registration opened at 2 pm on Friday. The Convention attracted 212 competitors (compared with 183 in 2011) from Canberra, Queanbeyan, Yass, Wee Jasper, Wagga Wagga, Narooma, Wollongong, Botany Bay, Sydney, Newcastle, Budgewoi, and even Victoria.

The Convention was fully catered, with hamburgers and sausages for Friday night dinner, bacon, eggs, sausages and pancakes for breakfast on Saturday and Sunday morning, (5 - 8 am), sandwiches for Saturday lunch, steak, schnitzel, vegies and apple strudel for Saturday dinner, and a barbecue lunch on Sunday.

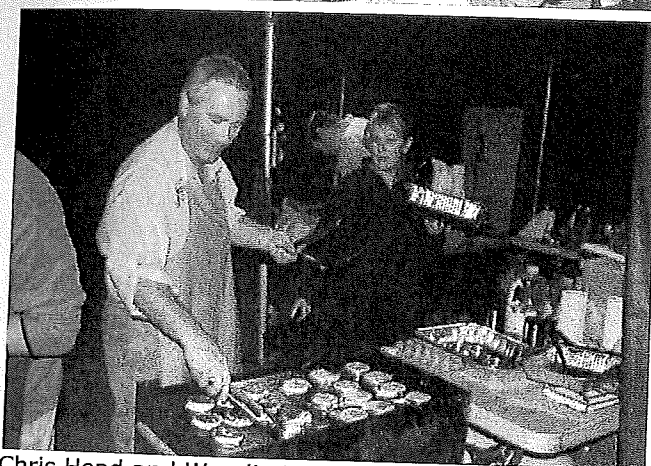
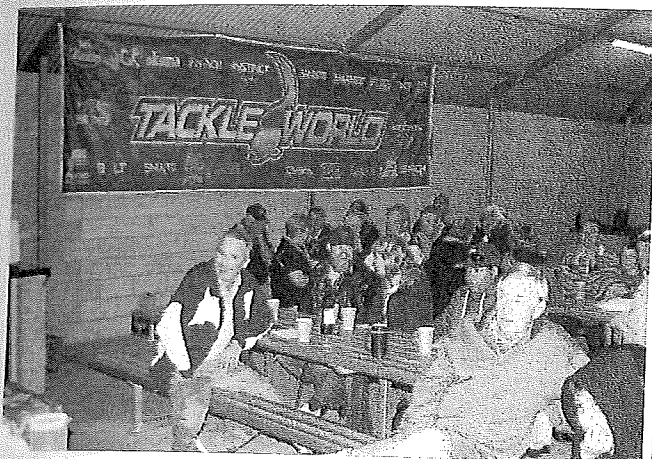
After the dinner on Friday night, Glen Malam gave the President's welcome, thanked all the sponsors, and outlined the rules of the competition. Dean Brind, Burrinjuck Waters State Park Ranger, then outlined the rules of the State Park, including restrictions on Murray Cod and Macquarie Perch.



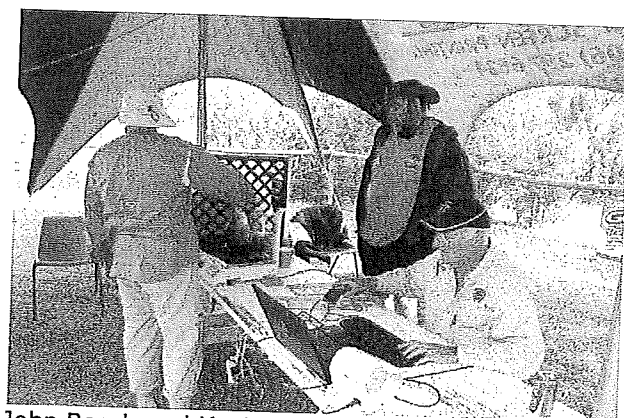
Rose Davis assists Alan Hocking with the PFD demonstration on Friday night

Alan Hocking from Life Jacket Servicing then outlined the rules regarding life jackets in New South Wales and then gave demonstrations how PFDs worked. The evening concluded with the drawing of Friday Night's raffle prizes, which provided an opportunity to promote individual sponsors.

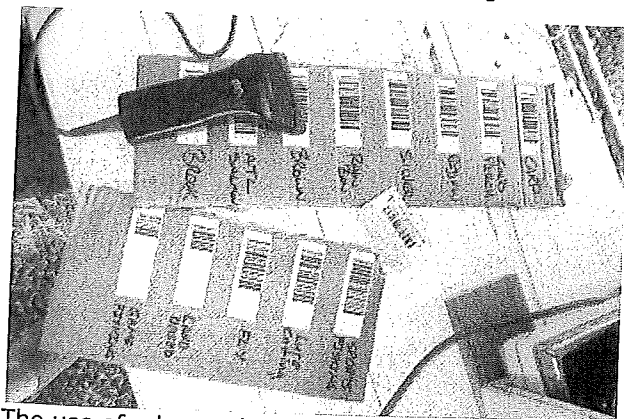
The competition commenced at midnight Friday, and concluded at 12 pm on Sunday. Although the Weigh-in Station was not officially opened until 4 pm on Saturday, competitors started arriving to weigh in their fish around 10 am.



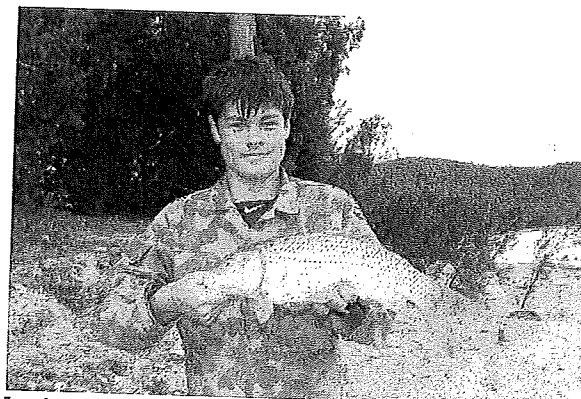
Chris Head and Wendie McDonald cooking breakfast for hungry anglers on Saturday morning



John Bosch and Kevin Spriggs manning the Weigh-in Station.



The use of a bar code reader helped speed up the job of weighing in and recording the captures.



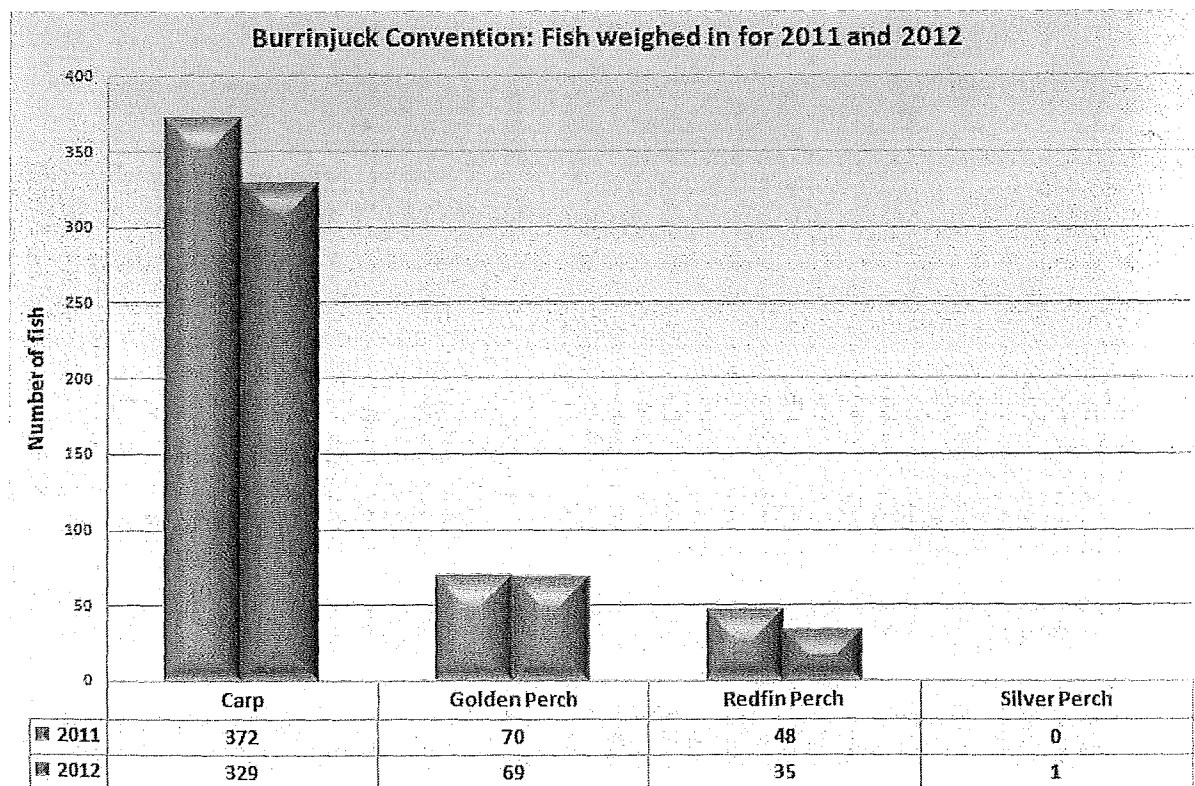
Junior angler Tom Stanfield with a nice size carp caught off the bank.

Captures

A total of 434 fish weighing 686.72 kg were weighed in over the weekend, with the majority being European Carp. Competitors released the majority of the 69 Golden Perch weighed in by keeping fish alive in bait tanks and releasing them at the boat ramp immediately after weigh-in.

Species	Quantity	Total weight	Average weight (kg)	Minimum weight (kg)	Maximum weight (kg)
Carp, European	329	586.29	1.78	0.19	4.48
Perch, Golden	69	90.46	1.31	0.36	3.07
Perch, Redfin	35	8.85	0.25	0.09	0.84
Perch, Silver	1	1.12	1.12	1.12	1.12
Total	434	686.72			

The number of fish weighed in was slightly down from 2011 Convention, possibly due to the colder weather. Maximum temperatures for Saturday and Sunday were 18.6°C and 25.4°C respectively, compared with 29.6°C and 30.5°C in 2011.




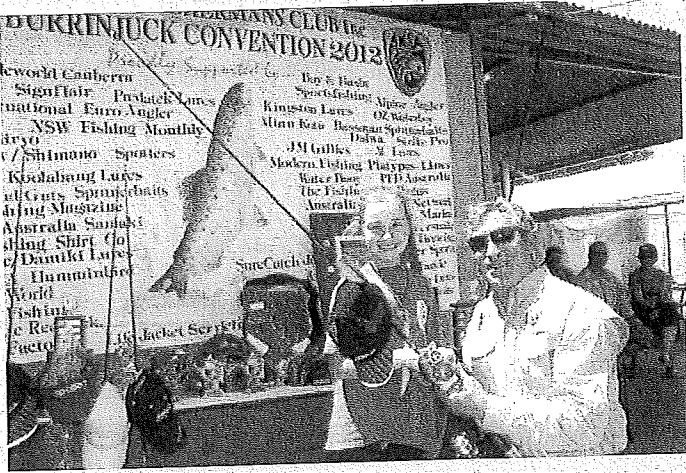

The largest Carp (4.48 kg) for the event was caught by Chris Stolk from Wollongong Sportsfishing Club. The Native Catch and Release section was won by Breanna Busuttil from Botany Bay Sportsfishing Club with a total length of 2510 mm. The trophy for largest native was won by Zane Zhao for his 3.07 kg Golden Perch.

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The Champion Family this year was the Stathakis Family from Botany Bay Sportsfishing Club. This prize is not only for fishing achievement, it's awarded to the family that is competing together and out there having fun together. The Stathakis Family are a competitive family who fish together really well and are always involved in the competition. With families like the Stathakis Family, the future of fishing looks good.

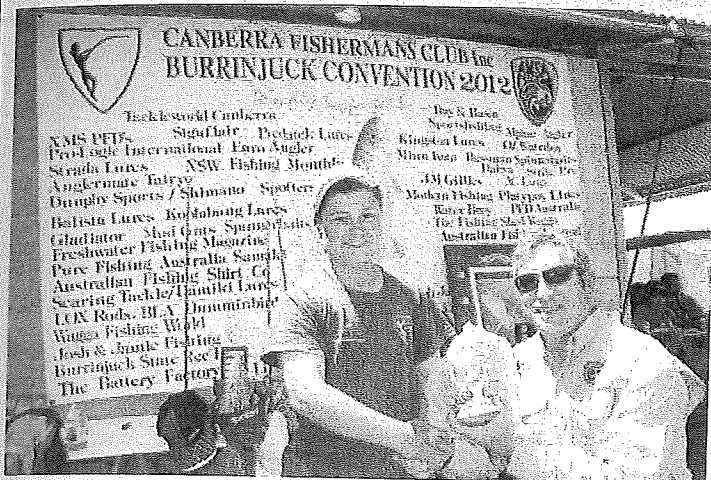
The presentation commenced at 1.00 pm and the winners were presented with their trophies and prize packs, providing an opportunity to acknowledge and promote individual sponsors. The winners were:

Category	Prize
<p><i>Heaviest Redfin Senior</i></p>  <p>Stan Celeban, Wagga Wagga Boating Club Anglers</p> <p>Redfin Perch 0.84 kg</p>	<p>Lox cap, Platypus pretest line and two lures.</p> <p>Trophy supplied by Signflair.</p>

Category	Prize
<p><i>Heaviest Redfin Junior</i></p>  <p>Rachel Camilleri, Botany Bay Sportsfishing Club Redfin Perch 0.26 kg</p>	<p>Daiwa Spin Combo.</p> <p>Trophy supplied by Signflair.</p>
<p><i>Heaviest Native Senior</i></p>  <p>Zane Zhao, Canberra Fisherman's Club Golden Perch 3.07 kg</p>	<p>Lox cap, Platypus pretest line and two lures.</p> <p>Trophy supplied by Signflair.</p>

Category

Heaviest Native Junior (Sponsored by the Fishing Shed Wagga Wagga)



Adam Camilleri, Botany Bay Sportsfishing Club
Golden Perch 2.19 kg

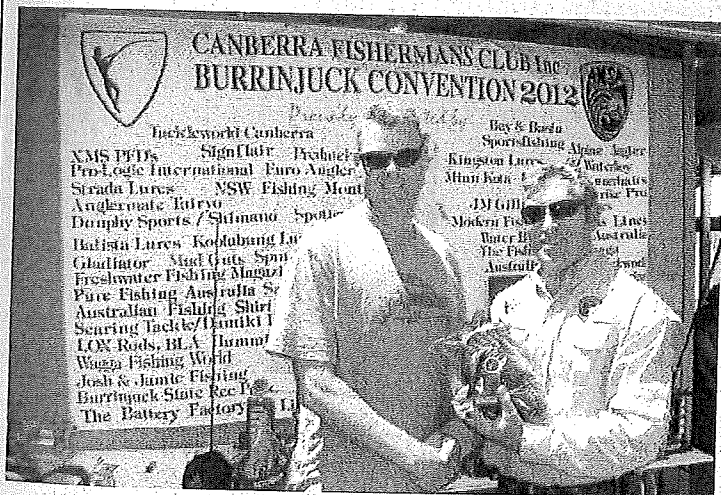
Prize

Fishing Shed Wagga Wagga Prize Pack.

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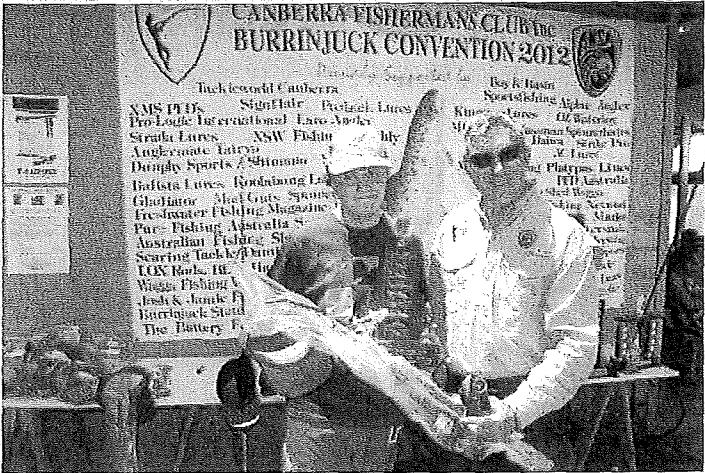
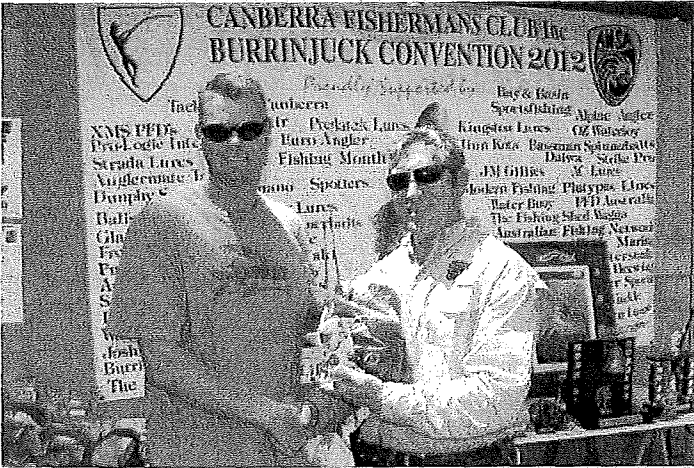
Heaviest Carp Senior



Chris Stolk, Wollongong Sportsfishing Club
European Carp 4.48 kg

Lox cap, Platypus pretest line and two lures.

Trophy supplied by Signflair.

Category	Prize
<p><i>Heaviest Carp Junior</i></p>  <p>Jack Stathakis, Botany Bay Sportsfishing Club European Carp 4.10 kg</p>	<p>Daiwa Spin Combo.</p> <p>Trophy supplied by Signflair.</p>
<p><i>Highest Point Scoring Fish Flycasting</i></p>  <p>Chris Stolk, Wollongong Sportsfishing Club European Carp 4.48 kg on 2 kg line for 224.2 points</p>	<p>Platypus Cap and two lures.</p> <p>Trophy supplied by Signflair.</p>

Category

Prize

Highest Point Scoring Fish Lurecasting (sponsored by Ballista)

Ballista five lure pack.



Trophy supplied by Signflair.

Terry Tatton, Wollongong Sportsfishing Club

European Carp 4.32 kg on 2 kg line for 216.1 points

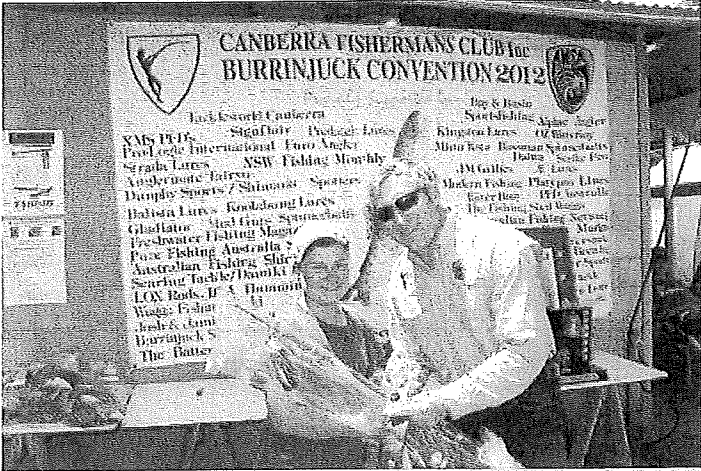
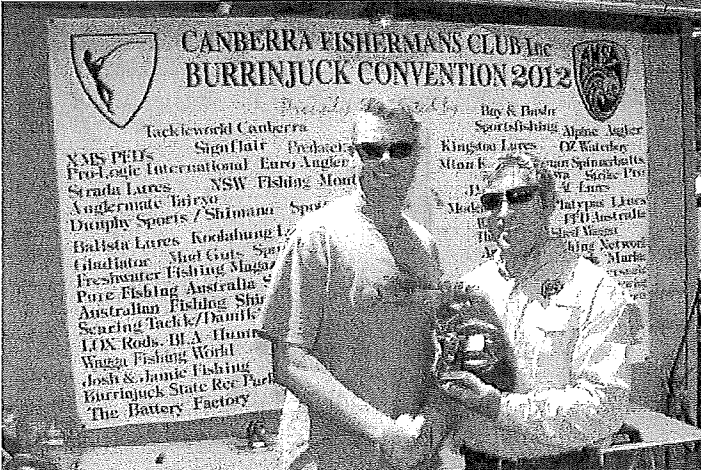
Highest Point Scoring Native Senior

Lox cap and two lures.



Trophy supplied by Signflair.

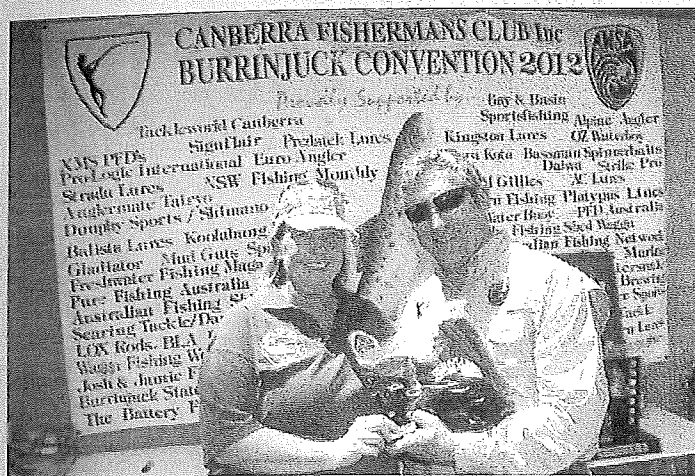
David Busuttill, Botany Bay Sportsfishing Club, 120.30 points

Category	Prize
<p><i>Highest Point Scoring Native Junior</i></p>  <p>Adam Camilleri, Botany Bay Sportsfishing Club, 109.70 points</p>	<p>Daiwa Spin Combo.</p> <p>Trophy supplied by Signflair.</p>
<p><i>Highest Point Scoring Carp – Senior Male</i></p>  <p>Chris Stolk, Wollongong Sportsfishing Club, 224.20 points</p>	<p>Platypus cap, pre-test line and sticker, Nilsmaster Invincible lure, \$10 Strada Cash, Alvey DVD, and a hook remover.</p> <p>Trophy supplied by Signflair.</p>

Category

Prize

Highest Point Scoring Carp – Senior Ladies

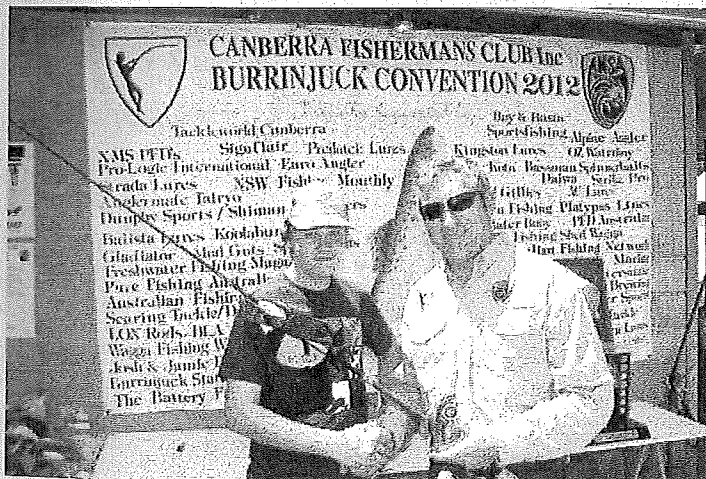


Kylie Bain, Botany Bay Sportsfishing Club, 213.60 points

Platypus cap, pre-test line and sticker, Nilsmaster Invincible lure, \$10 Strada Cash, Alvey DVD, and a hook remover.

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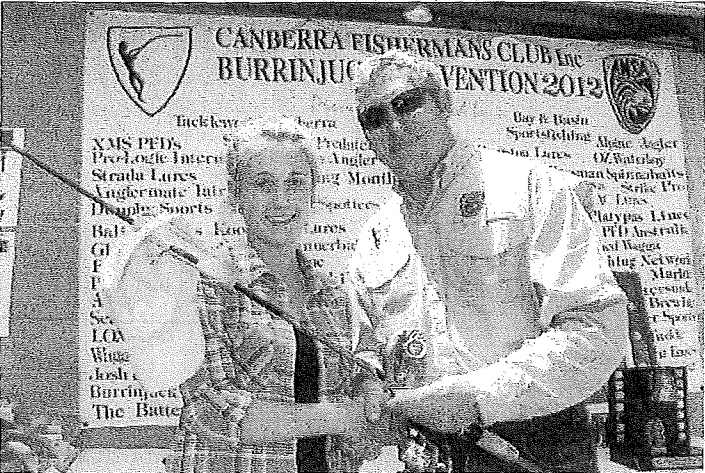
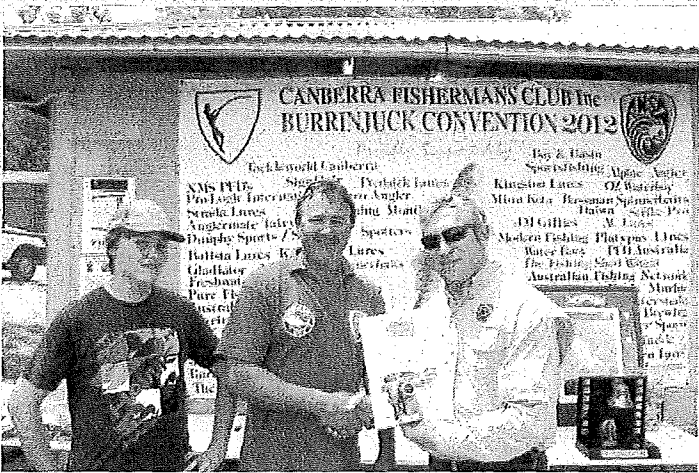
Highest Point Scoring Carp – Junior Boy







Jack Stathakis, Botany Bay Sportsfishing Club, 205.20 points

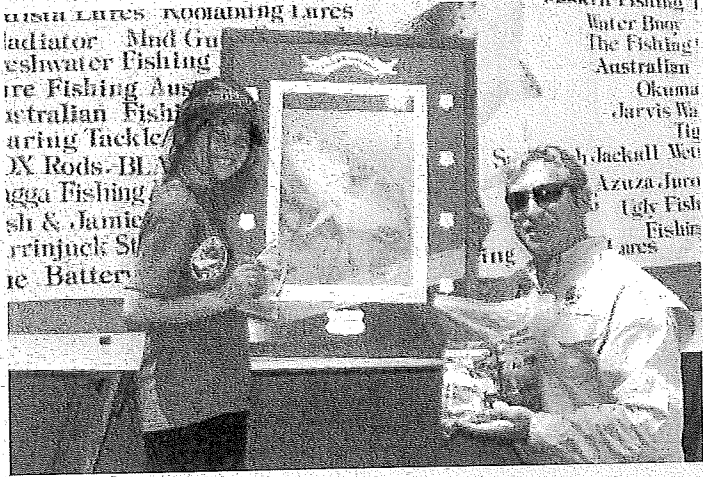
Daiwa Spin Combo.

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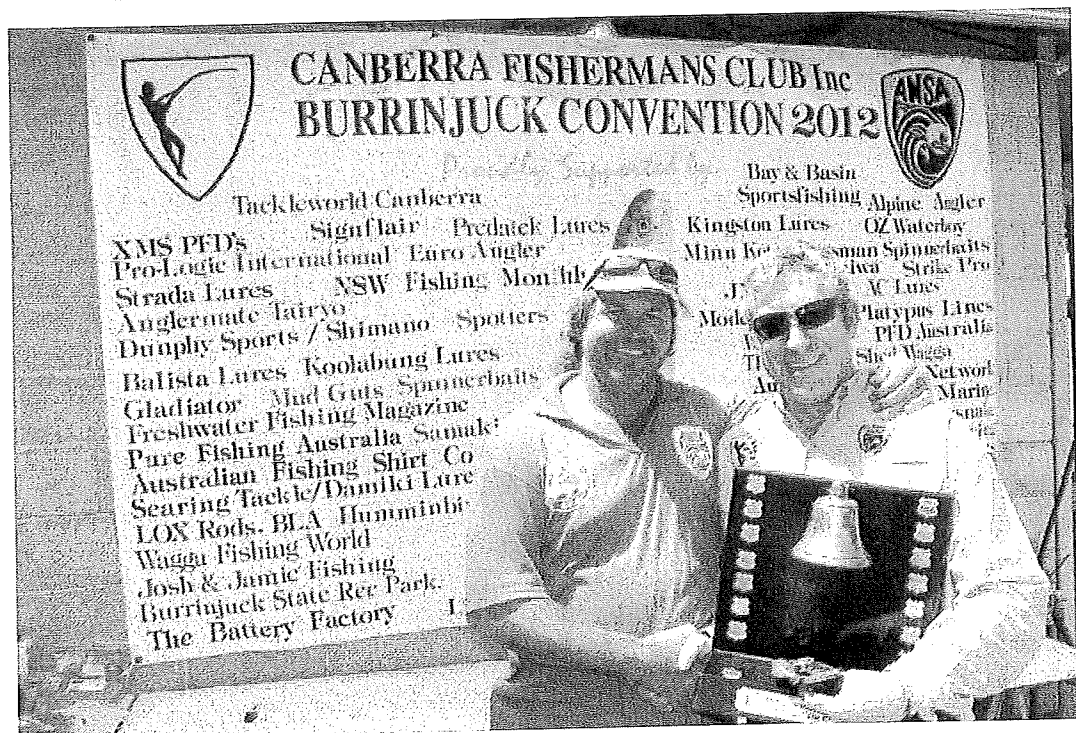
Category	Prize
<p><i>Highest Point Scoring Carp – Junior Girl</i></p>  <p>Amelia Anderson, Wollongong Sportsfishing Club, 135.50 points</p>	<p>Daiwa Spin Combo.</p> <p>Trophy supplied by Signflair.</p>
<p><i>Champion Family</i></p>  <p>Jack and John Stathakis from Botany Bay Sportsfishing Club receiving the Champion Family Trophy</p>	<p>Highland Lodge Farmstay (Kalkite, Lake Jindabyne) Accommodation Voucher.</p> <p>Trophy supplied by Signflair.</p>

Category
<p>Rangers (sponsor)</p>  <p>Chris 9 points</p>
<p>Myste</p>  <p>Tom 0.51</p>

Category	Prize
<p><i>Rangers Trophy for Highest Aggregate Points</i> (sponsored by Burrinjuck Waters State Park)</p>  <p>Chris Stolk, Wollongong Sportsfishing Club, 289.40 points</p>	<p>Burrinjuck Waters State Park cap, shirt and jumper.</p> <p>Trophy supplied by Signflair.</p>
<p><i>Mystery Weight Prize</i></p>  <p>Tom Stanfield, Canberra Fisherman's Club for a 0.516 kg carp</p>	<p>Daiwa Spin Combo.</p> <p>Trophy supplied by Signflair.</p>

Category	Prize
<p>Legend Lures Perpetual Trophy for Native Catch and Release Aggregate Length (sponsored by Legend Lures)</p>  <p>Breanna Bussitil, Botany Bay Sportsfishing Club, for six Golden Perch measuring 2510 mm.</p>	<p>Legend Lure Pack.</p> <p>Trophy supplied by Signflair.</p>

St George Trophy 'Burrinjuck Bell' for the Champion Club



Darren Parker (President) receiving the 'Burrinjuck Bell' on behalf of the Botany Bay Sportsfishing Club.

The 'Burrinjuck Bell' was won by Botany Bay Sportsfishing Club, and was presented to Darren Parker (President) on behalf of the Club. Darren Parker accepted the trophy and thanked the Canberra Fisherman's Club and the Burrinjuck Convention sponsors.

The points awarded for the St George Trophy were as follows.

Much credit is given to our major sponsor Tackle World Canberra and our other sponsors, as it should, because without their support the Burrinjuck Convention would be non-existent.

I greatly appreciate everyone's help in answering any questions I had and taking on individual tasks that I asked of them. This meant that such a gigantic undertaking was made manageable and did not turn into a nightmare but into a very successful venture for the club, one that I would be happy to chair again next year.



The Junior Anglers of Botany Bay Sportsfishing Club posing with the Burrinjuck Bell.



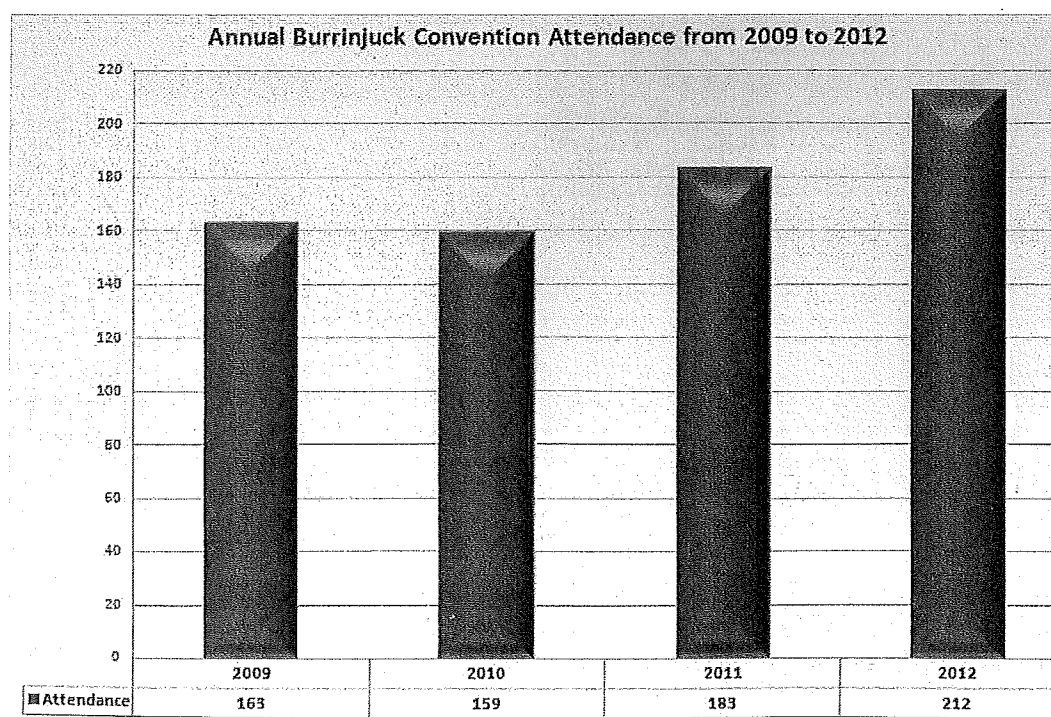
Jamie Stanfield with a Burrinjuck Carp



Brian Stacy paddling out into Lake Burrinjuck.

Participant information

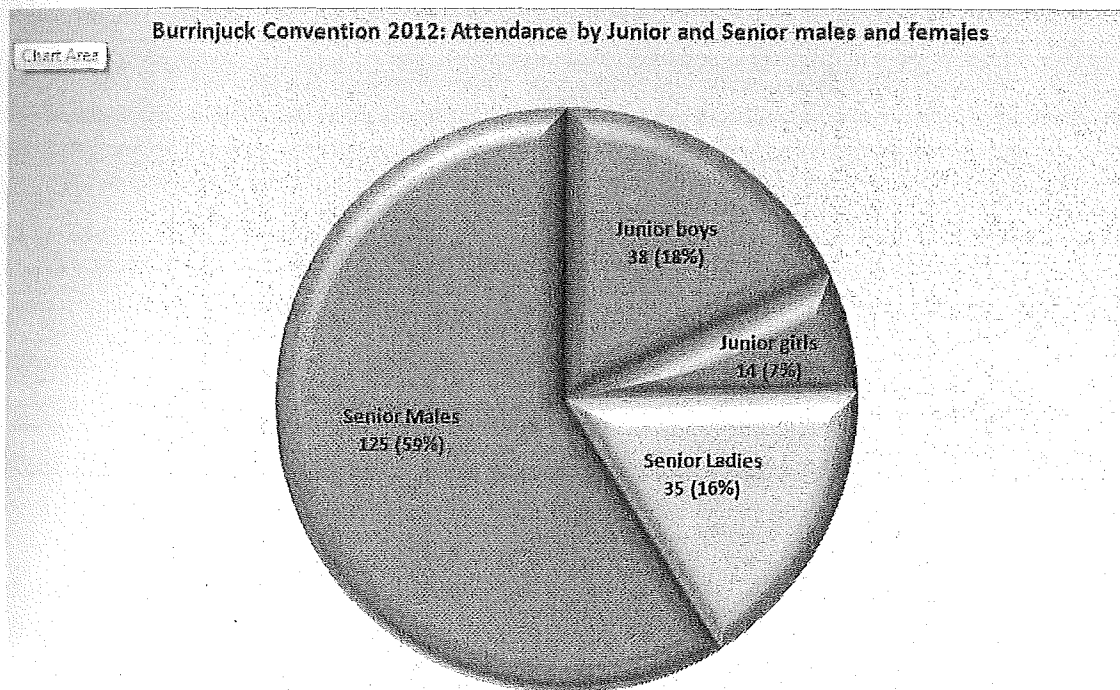
A total of 212 competitors registered for the event, being a 16% increase from 2011 and an overall increase of 30% since 2009. This exceeded the Club's expectations and the Club was pleased, given at least 54% of competitors made a return trip of over 500 km to attend the Convention.



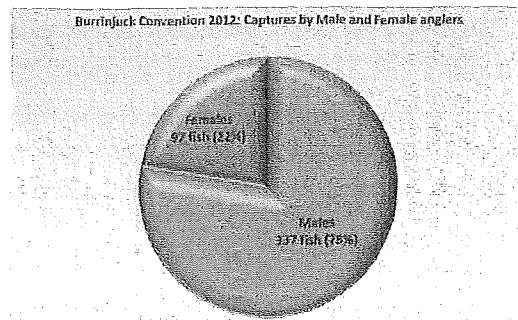
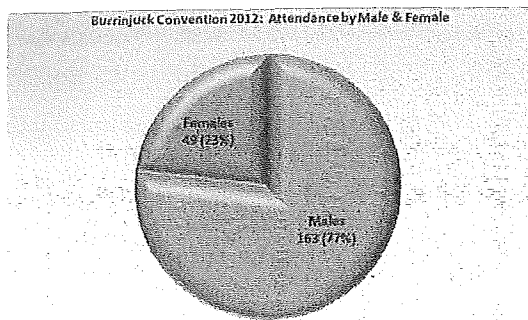
The majority of competitors book their accommodation at Burrinjuck Waters State Park for the following year at the end of each Convention, reflecting the popularity of the event and accounting for the strong attendances over the years. Burrinjuck Waters State Park advised that cabin accommodation is fully booked for the 2013 Burrinjuck Convention. However, there are still camping spots available, leaving room for the Convention to continue growing over future years.

The strong attendances despite recent cost of living increases reflect both the popularity of the Convention in previous years and the family oriented nature of the Convention. The Convention is affordable for families given that it is fully catered, and competitors can fish the Convention without expensive boats or fishing outfits. Families can fish the bank with simple fishing outfits within walking distance of the Convention Headquarters and kids of all ages can fish as competitively as the adults. For example, the trophy for largest carp was awarded to six year old Kyle Walton in 2011 and Junior Anglers accounted for almost half the fish caught in the 2012 Convention.

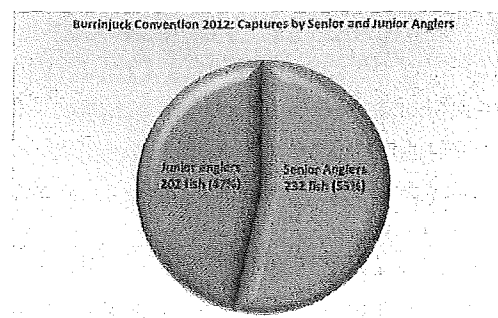
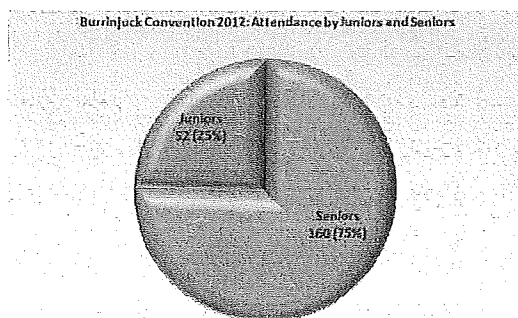
The family oriented nature of the Convention is reflected by the attendance of junior anglers who represented 25% of all competitors (38 boys and 14 girls) and attendance by female anglers who represented 23% of all competitors. A full break down of attendance by junior and senior anglers is depicted in the diagram below.



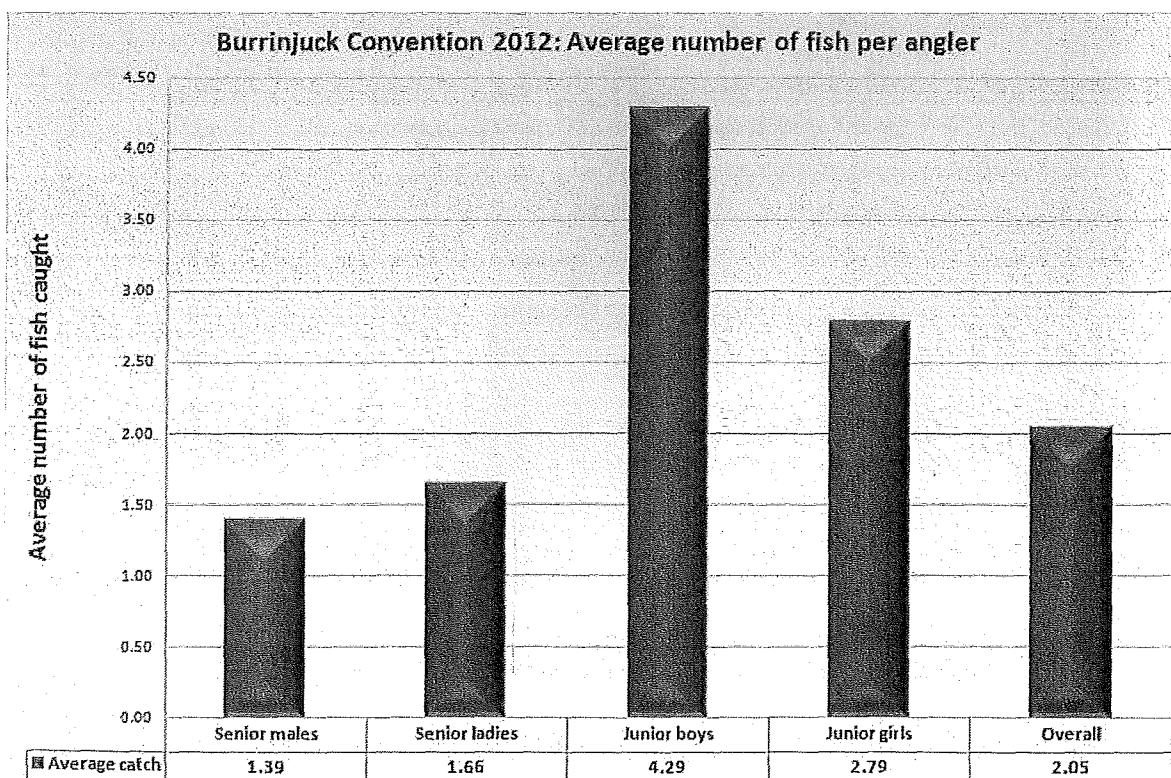
The capture results indicate sound to strong participation in the Convention by junior anglers and female anglers. For example, Senior Ladies and Junior Girls represented 23% of all competitors and accounted for 22% of total fish weighed in.



Despite representing only 25% of competitors, the junior anglers accounted for 47% of total fish weighed in.

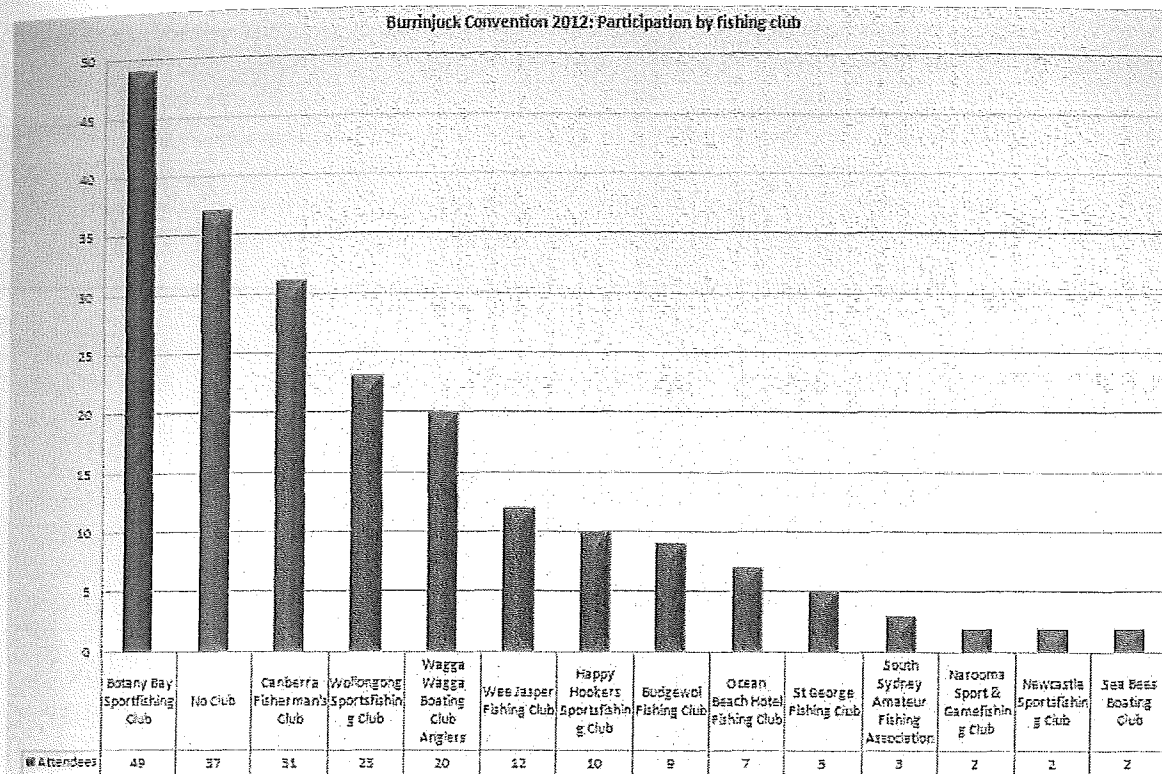


The most successful anglers were the junior males with an average of 4.29 fish each, followed by junior girls with an average of 2.79 fish each, compared with an overall average of 2.05 fish per competitor.

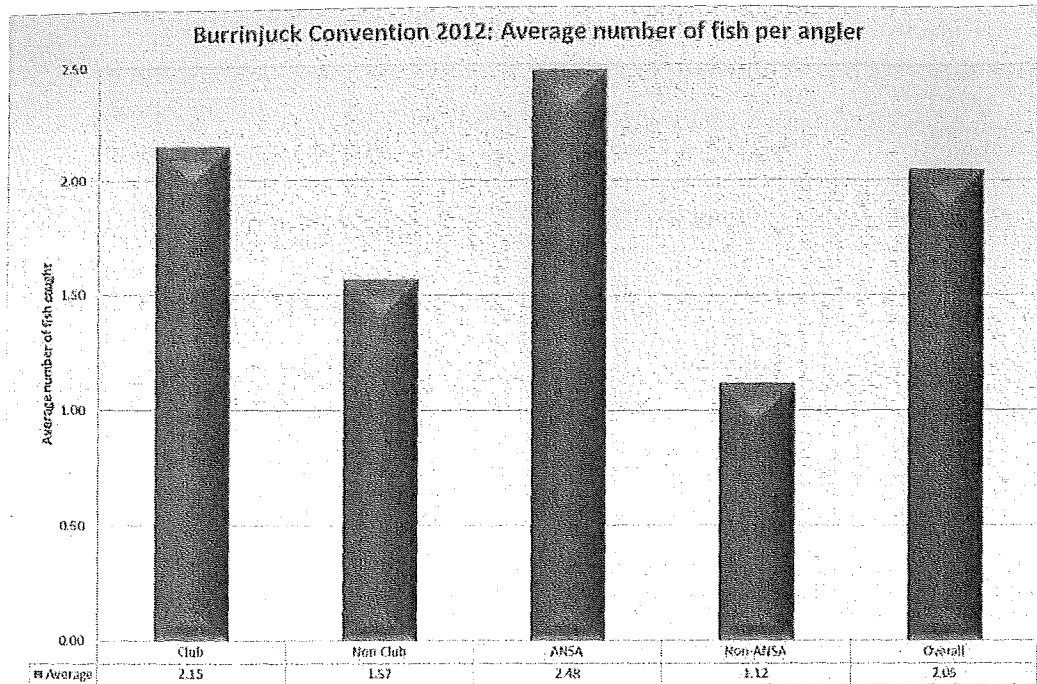


It is pleasing to see strong participation by members of fishing clubs and ANSA members, as fishing clubs and ANSA play an important role in nurturing the

skills and enthusiasm of junior anglers. Competitors from thirteen fishing clubs (including some non-ANSA clubs) participated in the Burrinjuck Convention. Most competitors registered with a fishing club (175 or 83%) and as ANSA members (139 or 66%).



Overall, competitors registered with a fishing club or who were ANSA members fared better than non-Club or non-ANSA members. Those registered with a fishing club accounted for 87% of the fish caught and ANSA members accounted for 83%. The average number of fish weighed in was also higher for competitors who registered with a fishing club or who were ANSA members.



Support and sponsorship

The Canberra Fisherman's Club executive and members would like to thank all our sponsors who have so kindly donated products and services to help make this event successful. The Club also thanks the Convention's major sponsor, Tackle World Canberra. Without the support and assistance from Tackle World Canberra and other sponsors, this event would not be able to run.

The Convention has been running for 38 years and now, many of the senior anglers at the 2012 Burrinjuck Convention first fished the Convention as junior anglers. Events such as the Burrinjuck Convention encourage junior anglers to develop their skills and pursue their enthusiasm for recreational fishing. Ensuring that junior anglers graduate into the next generation of leaders of the fishing community will result in a strong future for the sport.

The Club acknowledged its sponsors at the Convention with the Sponsors list in the Convention show bags, and the Burrinjuck Sponsorship Banner prominently displayed at the Convention Headquarters. Individual sponsors were acknowledged throughout the Convention during the presentation of raffle prizes and trophies. In addition, the Convention provided good exposure for the sponsors, given that the competitors represented 13 clubs and travelled from Canberra, Queanbeyan, Yass, Wee Jasper, Wagga Wagga, Narooma, Wollongong, Botany Bay, Sydney, Newcastle, Budgewoi, and even Victoria. Finally, the sponsors will also be acknowledged in the flyers for the 2013 Burrinjuck Convention.

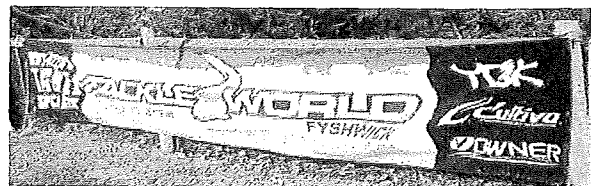
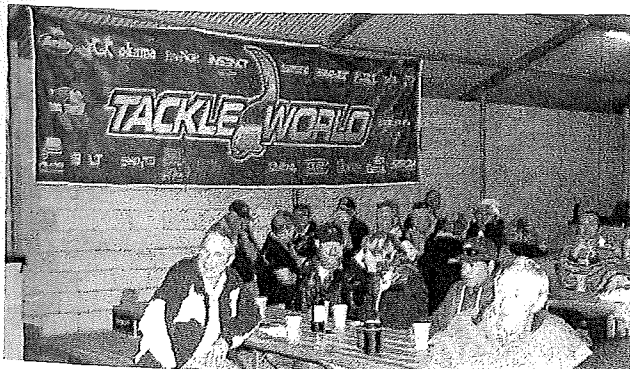
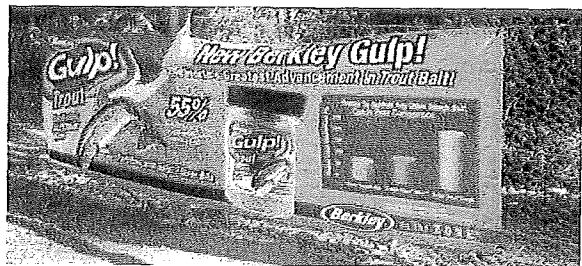
Planning for the 2013 Burrinjuck Convention will commence in August 2013 when the new Committee of the Canberra Fisherman's Club is elected. The Club hopes to continue building on the success of previous conventions. With

the Burrinjuck Waters State Park advising that cabin accommodation is fully booked for the 2013 Burrinjuck Convention, the Club again anticipates strong attendance next year. Accordingly, the Club looks forward to working with its sponsors in delivering another successful Burrinjuck Convention in 2013.

Sponsors and supporters interested in registering their interest in the 2013 Burrinjuck Convention should contact the Secretary by email on info@canberrafishos.com.



Sponsors' banners were also displayed prominently at various locations.



The Club used the presentation of prize packs to trophy winners (see photos at page 12-20) and raffle prizes throughout the Convention to promote individual sponsors.



Zane Zhao being presented with a Josh and Jamie Fishing DVD Voucher.



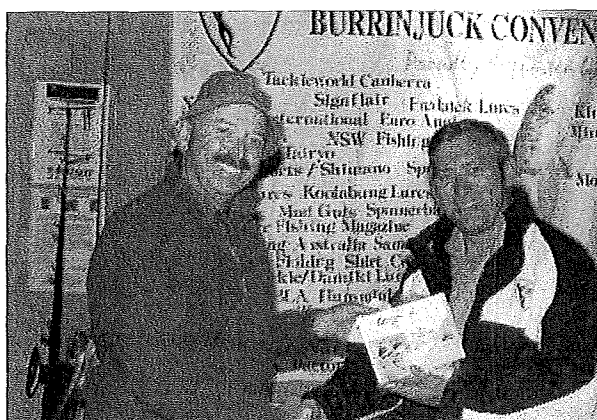
Sarah Borman being presented with a Water Bouy Prize Pack.



Brian Stacy being presented with an A C Lure Pack.



Steve Bailey being presented with Spotters Cap and Sunnies Prize Pack.



Colin Clark being presented with a six month NSW Fishing Monthly Voucher.



Terry Tatton being presented with a Shimano Rod, Reel, braid, and Squidgy Pro Ridgeback Prize Pack.



Belinda Dennison being presented with a Bay & Basin half day fishing charter voucher.



Dane Fogarty being presented with a Fishing Shed Lure Pack.



Jacinta Dunbar being presented with a Wilson Slickback Lure Pack.



Chad Stockwell being presented with a Platypus cap Prize Pack.



Breanna Busittil being presented with a Koolabung Lure Pack.



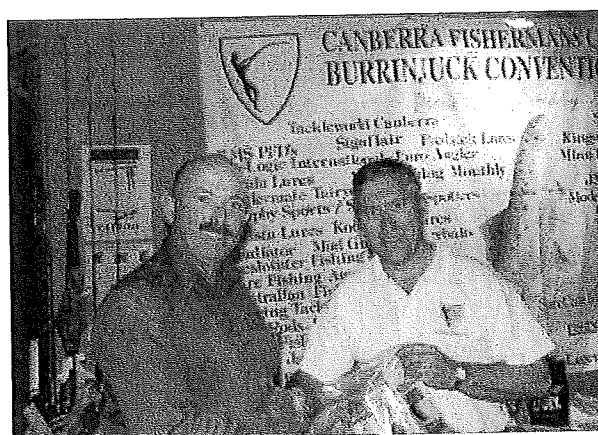
Keith Smith being presented with a Strada Native Lure Pack.



Karen Malam being presented with a Nilsmaster Lure Pack.



Colin Addis being presented with a Predatex Lure Pack.



Colin Clark being presented with a Codger Lure Pack.



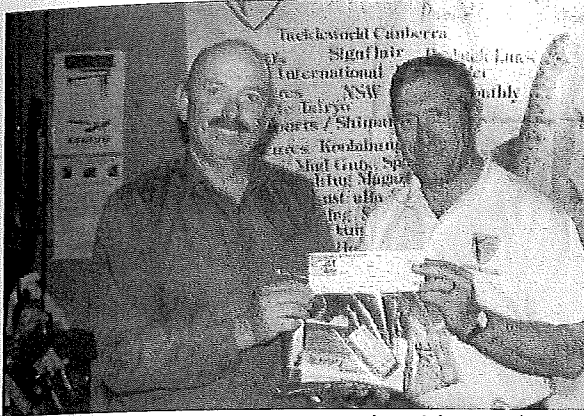
Riley Williamson being presented with a Bassman Spinnerbait Pack.



Sandy Adam being presented a Uglyfish Sunnies Pack.



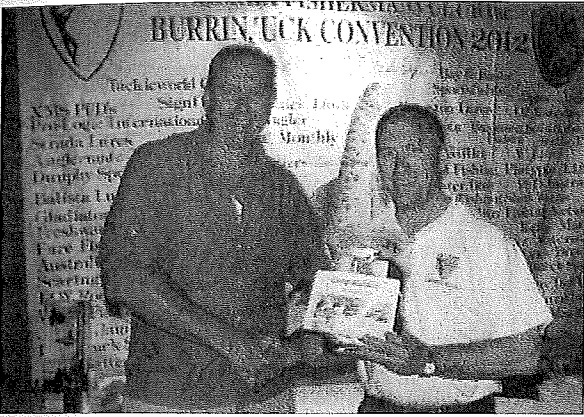
Logan Hay being presented with a SAKU Lure Pack.



Colin Clark being presented with a \$50 Bargains Bit Voucher from Ken's Marine.



Wayne Peters being presented with a \$25 voucher from The Alpine Angler.



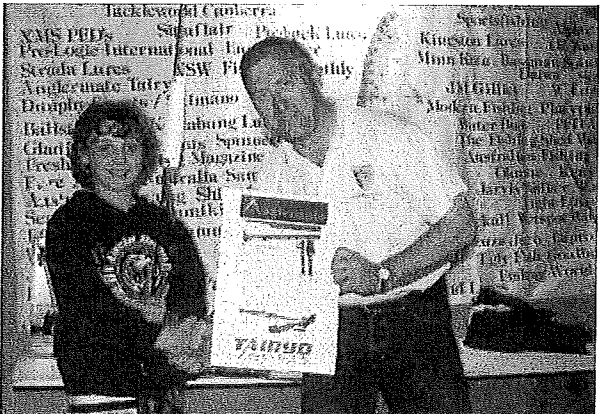
Scott McLean being presented with a 12-month subscription from Freshwater Fishing Magazine.



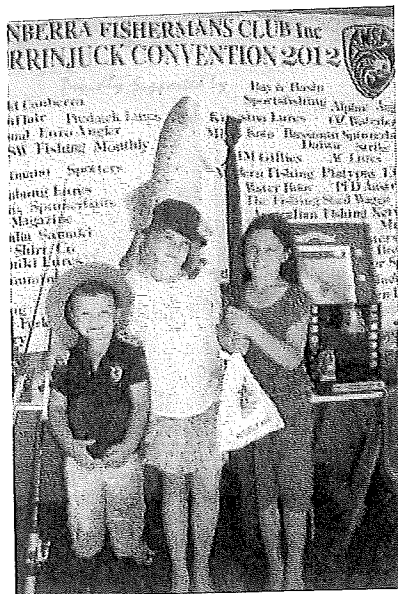
Craig Stephens being presented with a Samaki Spin and Lure Pack.



Chris Wilson being presented with a Daiwa Pack.



Aaron Anderson being presented with an Angler Mate Tairyo Rod.



Cohen, Taylor Alanah Buchanan being presented with a Gladiator Baitcaster Combo.



Craig Stephens being presented with an Alvey Prize Pack.



Ray Buttigieg being presented with a Lake Troller Mini Downrigger.



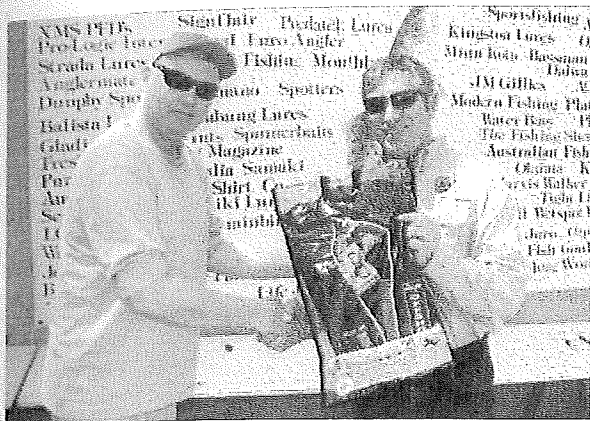
Jacinta Dunbar being presented with a Minn Kota 30 lb Electric Tiller Motor.



Glen Jasprizza being presented with a Ranger Pack from the Burrinjuck Waters State Park.



Chris Carr 'Shrek' being presented with a shirt from Australian Fishing Shirt Co.



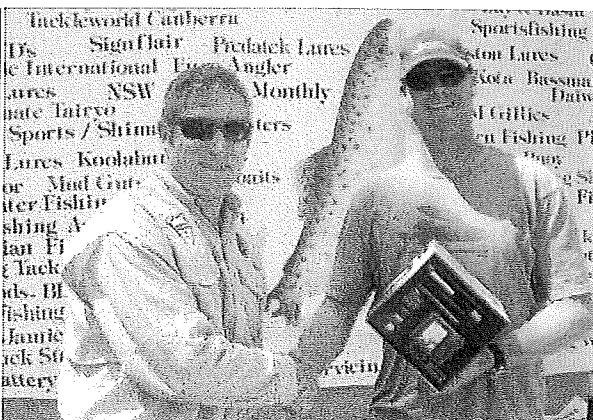
Chris Lemmon being presented with a Life Jacket from Life Jacket Servicing.



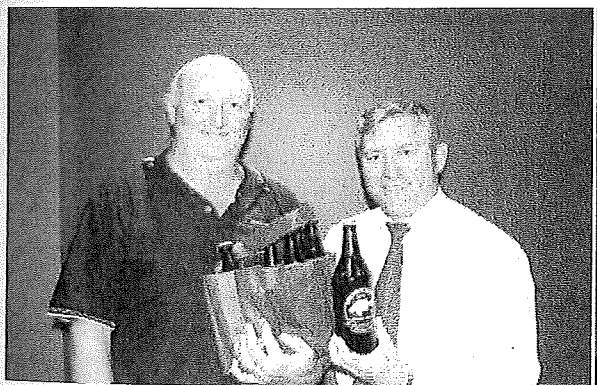
Karen Malam being presented with an XMS Life Jacket.



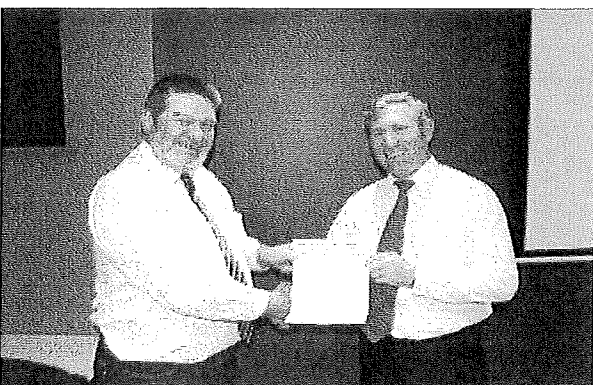
Chris Lemmon being presented with an Anglermate Tairyo Fishing Rod.



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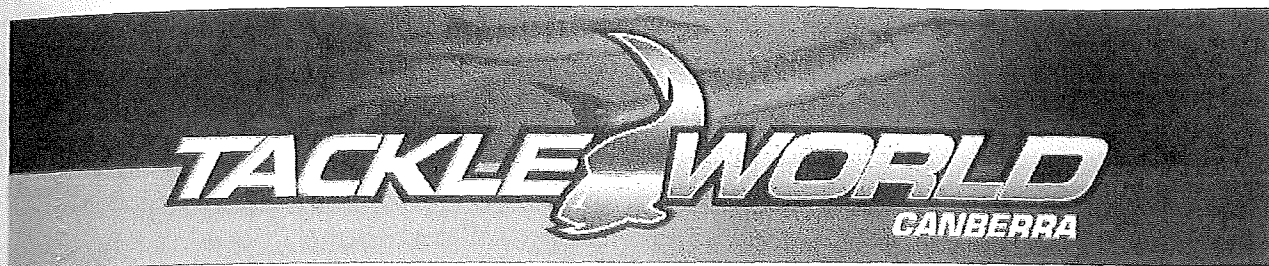
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