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Winner of the January 2012 Photo Competition



Ben Lemmon Burrinjuck Dam 115cm Murray Cod

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About the Club

The Canberra Fisherman's Club Inc. is a sport fishing club that endeavours to promote a social awareness among its members, single or family. General meetings are held on the second Tuesday of every month at the **Eastlakes Football Club No 3 Oxley St Griffith ACT** beginning at 7:30pm. All members and visitors are most welcome.

Members of the Canberra Fisherman's Club are eligible to set Club Records and, upon payment of an Australian National Sport fishing Association (ANSA) affiliation fee, also able to set Australian records, and World records (through ANSA affiliation with the International Game Fishing Association (IGFA)).

Aims of the Club

- **To promote sport fishing**
- **To foster the art of angling**
- **To teach the art of angling to new members and particularly juniors**
- **To promote the study and conservation of fish species and the environment**
- **To co-operate with and support other bodies with similar aims and ideals.**

The Club also supports the Recfish Australia National Code of Practice for Recreational and Sport Fishing, which endorses:

1. **Quickly and correctly returning unwanted or illegal catch to the water**
2. **Quickly killing fish that are kept for consumption**
3. **Using only appropriate, legal tackle, attending gear and valuing the catch**
4. **Taking no more than our immediate needs**
5. **Supporting and encouraging activities that preserve, restore and enhance fisheries and fish habitat**
6. **Understanding and observing all fishing regulations and reporting illegal fishing activities**
7. **Preventing pollution and protecting wildlife by removing rubbish**
8. **Taking care when boating and anchoring to avoid damage to wildlife and habitat**
9. **Using established roads and tracks**
10. **Reporting environmental damage**
11. **Avoiding unnecessary interactions with wildlife species and their habitats**
12. **Practising courtesy towards all those who use inland and coastal waters**
13. **Obtaining permission from landholders and traditional owners before entering their land**
14. **Caring for our own safety and the safety of others when fishing**

President's Report

Hi all,

Where did February and summer go??? Time seems to go so fast at times it's unbelievable. Not only have we missed a lot of warm to hot weather, we're now enduring some decent rain. It's almost the reverse of what we've been promised by climate change, but I'll let the scientist debate that.

The Lucky Membership Draw was again jackpotted. If Chris De La Rue was at the meeting last month, he'd have been \$75 richer! So, if you would like a chance to win a cool \$100 in the Lucky Membership Draw, all you need to do is turn up to the next General Meeting, 13th March. Hope to see you there.

At the February meeting, Andrew McGovern gave a great talk on fishing the local lakes with soft plastics, as bait! It was a very informative talk, and the next break in the weather, I'll be out there with some new tricks. Unfortunately the meeting became a bit of a marathon, finishing well after 11:00pm. In future I'll keep more of an eye on the time, and keep things moving to avoid such late nights.

Carp-Out

All the planning for the Carp-Out is coming together. Raffle tickets were distributed at the last meeting, and all the registration stuff is with Capital Chemist and Tackleworld. We're printing some more raffle tickets, so if you need some more, let Chris Head or myself know.

The attendance sheet for the setup and throughout the day is looking good. I'd like to thank those who have already volunteered to assist. If you haven't put your name forward, and have some time available for the Kids Clinic on Saturday 17th March (1:30 – 5:00pm), or on Sunday 18th March for the Carp-Out, your assistance would be appreciated. The more that can help the better, and once it's all done you can be proud to have assisted at a fantastic event that donates 50% of the profit to the Eden Monaro Cancer Support Group. Please let me know if you can assist.

Recent and Future Outings

We recently went to St Georges Basin and the Jervis Bay area, and most of us entered the Nowra ANSA Convention. This was the first time I've ventured to the north side of Jervis Bay, and I can say it will not be the last. There's a lot of exploring to be done in the bottom of the Shoalhaven River, and I was impressed with the Banks. The fishing was hard in St. Georges Basin, with a lot of the spurts in the Bream comp doing it hard was well. Zane's written an article on the outing, check that out later in the newsletter.

On March 9th to 11th we've got the Narooma convention. The 12th is Canberra Day, so I dare say some will be once again having a 4 day weekend. The accommodation booked by the club is full, but if you decide to come down, contact Island View Beach Resort, they should be able to help you out. The next outing after that is Bega/Brogo/Tathra on the 21st - 22nd April, and then it's Kalkite (Jindabyne) on the 19th - 20th May.

Well, that's it for me this month.

Cheers,

Greg Davis President



Another Corunna Flattie!!

Secretary's Report

Hello all members & visitors,

February is a short month and boy did it fly pass this year, where does the time go.

Canberra Carp-Out 2012

Part of the reason why time has gone so quickly is because we have been busy organising the 2012 Carp-Out on the 18th March. We are slightly ahead of the game this year and Tackle World Canberra and Capital Chemists are already taking entries plus we have the website up and running and have received some online entries as well.

The Carp-Out website is (<http://www.canberra-carp-out.com>), please forward the website link to all your friends and work mates that might be interested and let them know there are some great prizes to be won.

Also tune into Mix 106.3FM as they will be running ads for the event in next few weeks so hopefully the entries will start to come thick and fast.

Raffle tickets are selling like hotcakes this year and we've sold quite a few already, however we would still like our members to help out and sell the rest of them so that we can maximise the money we have going towards fish stocking and the Eden Monaro Cancer Support Group. If you need some tickets to sell, please let me know.

We still need some more volunteers to help out to make this event successful so if you can spare some time we need people for the following:

Registration data entry

Fishing Clinic on 17th March 2pm – 5pm

Setup on 18th March

Marshals on 18th

Pack up after the event.

Remember by assisting you will be helping to raise valuable funds for the Eden Monaro Cancer Support Group as well making sure we have a sustainable local lake Native fish stock for all to enjoy.

Look forward to seeing you all at sometime before during and after this event.

Zane



Recorder's Report

We had another good turn-out for the Nowra Convention Outing (I think we had 11 members registered with the Convention and a few that just fished the outing). Most members caught fish (except me – the Recorder's Curse). The beaches provided some nice Salmon and Rays, the reefs provided some nice kings and a shark and the estuary provided some nice Flathead. Chris Head's 3.3kg Dusky Flathead was an outstanding capture and goes to the top of the hotly contested flathead category for the Board Fish trophy.

I haven't received official results from the Nowra Convention yet, so if you weighed in fish at the Convention but didn't enter them in the CFC Outing Book they won't be included in the progress scores below.

Looking forward to the weeks ahead, we have the Narooma Convention this weekend (the 10-11 March) and the big Canberra Carp-Out on the 18th March. The Canberra Fisherman's Club is usually very competitive at the Narooma Convention – we've won it a few times, and there's no reason we can't do it again this year. Good luck to all those attending!

The weekend after we have the Canberra Carp-Out. Money raised at the Carp-Out supports the Eden Monaro Cancer Support Group and stocking local lakes with native fish. It's a big weekend for the Club – so lend us a hand if you can, it's a really good cause.

Keep safe on the water and keep the capture forms rolling in.

Glen



Club Championship – 2011/12

Open

MITCHELL MCGOVERN *	1,095 Points
ANTHONY HEISER	868 Points
COLIN CLARK	631 Points
ZANE ZHAO	588 Points
STEVE BORKOWSKIS	547 Points

Ladies

KELSEY MCGOVERN	326 Points
KAREN MALAM	320 Points

Junior

MITCHELL MCGOVERN *	1095 Points
TOM STANFIELD	422 Points
KELSEY MCGOVERN *	326 Points
KYLE WALTON	270 Points
MITCHELL BRYANT*	39 Points

Land Based Club Champion

MITCHELL MCGOVERN *	1,046 Points
ANTHONY HEISER	832 Points
STEVE BORKOWSKIS	547 Points
ZANE ZHAO	420 Points
COLIN CLARK	388 Points

Freshwater Club Champion

MITCHELL MCGOVERN *	669 Points
STEVE BORKOWSKIS	547 Points
ANTHONY HEISER	510 Points
TOM STANFIELD	422 Points
JAMIE STANFIELD	332 Points

Saltwater Club Champion

COLIN CLARK	631 Points
MITCHELL MCGOVERN *	426 Points
ANTHONY HEISER	358 Points
ZANE ZHAO	339 Points
CHRIS CLARK	330 Points

Most Versatile Angler

STEVE BORKOWSKIS	16 Points
MITCHELL MCGOVERN	16 Points
ZANE ZHAO	13 Points
ANTHONY HEISER	12 Points
TOM STANFIELD	9 Points

Total Length Award – Australian Salmon

MITCHELL MCGOVERN	17,068 mm
COLIN CLARK	3,095 mm

CHRIS CLARK	2,325 mm
CHRIS LEMMON	550 mm
ANTHONY HEISER	490 mm

Total Length Award – Salmonoids

ANDREW MCGOVERN	26,340 mm
BEN LEMMON	11,091 mm
MITCHELL MCGOVERN	5,295 mm
STEVE BORKOWSKIS	4,870 mm
CHRIS HEAD	4,865 mm

All-Tackle Club Champion – 2011/12

Open

ANTHONY HEISER	17 Points
TOM STANFIELD	16 Points
ZANE ZHAO	16 Points
JAMIE STANFIELD	13 Points
CHRIS HEAD	12 Points

Sub-Junior

KYLE WALTON	4 Points
MITCHELL MCGOVERN	3 Points
KELSEY MCGOVERN	3 Points
TYSON DAVIS	1 Point
SEBASTION DAVIS	1 Point
CONNOR DAVIS	1 Point

Boardfish – 2011/12

AUSTRALIAN BASS	1.14 kg	SHANE JASPRIZZA
AUSTRALIAN BONITO	1.71 kg	GLEN MALAM
AUSTRALIAN SALMON	3.56 kg	MITCHELL MCGOVERN
BARRACOUTA	1.08 kg	ANTHONY HEISER
BARRAMUNDI	30.50 kg	STEVE BAILEY
BLACK BREAM	0.59 kg	CHRIS HEAD
BROWN TROUT	2.10 kg	TOM STANFIELD
COMMON SHOVELNOSED RAY	3.36 kg	ZANE ZHAO
COMMON STINGRAY	1.89 kg	CHRIS CLARK
DUSKY FLATHEAD	3.30 kg	CHRIS HEAD
EEL TAILED CATFISH (FRESHWATER)	1.67 kg	STEVE BORKOWSKIS
EUROPEAN CARP	12.12 kg	STEVE BORKOWSKIS
FIDDLER RAY	2.43 kg	COLIN CLARK
GOLDEN PERCH	3.34 kg	CHRIS LEMMON
HAIRTAIL	1.38 kg	COLIN CLARK
MURRAY COD	2.90 kg	STEVE BAILEY
RAINBOW TROUT	1.23 kg	STEVE BORKOWSKIS

SAND FLATHEAD	0.66 kg	CHRIS CLARK
SNAPPER	1.01 kg	BRIAN STACY
TAILOR	0.79 kg	CHRIS CLARK
YELLOWFIN BREAM	1.05 kg	ZANE ZHAO
YELLOWTAIL KINGFISH	4.30 kg	BRIAN STACY

Best Fish Championship – 2011/12

BEACH

AUSTRALIAN SALMON

2.09kg on 1 kg

MITCHELL MCGOVERN

251 Points

BLUEWATER

YELLOWTAIL KINGFISH

2.76kg on 4 kg

MITCHELL MALAM

103 Points

ESTUARY

DUSKY FLATHEAD

2.85kg on 1 kg

KAREN MALAM

285 Points

FRESHWATER

BARRAMUNDI

30.50kg on 10 kg

STEVE BAILEY

458 Points

ROCKS

AUSTRALIAN SALMON

1.29kg on 4 kg

CHRIS CLARK

39 Points

BEST SHARK OR RAY

COMMON SHOVELNOSED RAY

3.36kg on 2 kg

ZANE ZHAO

168 Points

News & Stories

Nowra Convention / St Georges Basin Outing

The Nowra convention was held over the weekend of 17th – 19th February and the weather predicted for the weekend was rain, storms and lightening. Fishing started at 6:00am Friday 17th and the super keen Clark brothers actually arrive the night before so that they could get as much fishing in as possible. Unlike them, I didn't leave Canberra till 10:00am that morning and only arrived to sign-in at the convention at 1:30pm, so I was already 7 hours behind.

I arrived at the house that we were staying in to find Jon Vogel unpacking and the Clark brothers having lunch, seeing the opportunity to organise a team mini session, I quickly unpacked and it was decided that the four of us will give Steamers Beach a try that afternoon.

Steamers Beach

Steamers beach for those who don't know is located inside the Booderee National Park and is rumoured to be one of the best Salmon fishing beaches in NSW. The only problem is the walk to get to the beach!!! Here is a description of the walk on the national park website *"This is a magnificent, isolated beach flanked by high cliffs and backed by steep sand dunes that are an unusual colour for Booderee and are thought to have been dumped there by a tsunami (a giant tidal wave). From Steamers Beach car park the trail takes you through tall eucalypt forest and tea-tree towards the coast. Then finishes with a steep flight of stairs."*



As you can see, the beach is a beautiful beach, however what the description doesn't say is that the walk is 2.5km from the car park and the steep descend was a 130m drop and let me tell you, when you are carrying full fishing gear the trip is not a leisurely stroll!

Once we got there, we managed to find ourselves a spot in the middle of the beach and launched our offerings to the sea. In the 3 hour session, I only managed two 32cm undersized dusky flatheads and the Clark brothers managed a couple of bream and a small ray. However Jon managed to confirm the rumours of big salmon with 3 thumpers all above 2.3kg and two would have been length masters if he was an ANSA member. You can tell from the smile on his face that he was enjoying himself and he also managed a decent size fiddler ray as well.



We decided to pack out bags and head home after the forecasted storms hit and we saw lighting in the distance. That was when it dawned on us that the walk back up the steep hill after a 3 hours session on the beach in the rain was probably not the most enjoyable thing to do. We'll definitely think hard before deciding to trek out there again.

Marlin Hunt

During Friday night, it was decided that I would join Jon, Greg and Brian on his boat to go hunting for Marlin on Saturday, it was a 4:00am wake up and we were out on the water at first light.

We launched at Crookhaven Heads and quickly found a bait school to fill our livebait tank for the day and within 20 minutes we were stocked up and headed out to sea for my first Marlin adventure.

The dreaded storms that were forecasted for the day never came as we headed towards deeper water in beautiful conditions.



There were plenty of boats out hunting for big fish and we were one of at least 30 boats out there so the competition was fierce. We trolled for most of the morning and only managed a couple of follows behind our live bait, and during this time Brian mentioned that it took him 12 trips before he actually got to see a Marlin, which really lowered our expectations for the day.

At around 2:00pm the tide turned and we headed back to closer inshore and started to drift instead of troll for a change. Then suddenly there was action on the rod tip and then the

drag sounded off as we started to lose line; Brian being the captain of the boat jumped the queue (it was my watch to strike!), lifted the rod out of the holder and strikes at take.

In a matter of seconds, all hell broke loose as the only experienced Marlin fisho was trying to reel in the fish, the three inexperienced crew ran around the boat like headless chooks in a cage and a series of comical events followed.

Firstly, the fish was identified as a shark by Brian, which meant a change of tags was needed, except none of the crew has ever changed tags before. Mass panic sets in as the crew tries to learn how to change tags and fit on the Shark tag.

As the fish got closer to the surface, it became apparent that we did indeed have a Marlin on the line. We quickly rushed to change tags back to the Marlin tag losing precious time to concentrate on the fish.

Suddenly while all the commotion was happening, the Marlin got within 20 feet of the boat and stuck its head up to see what was going on in the boat, deciding that we probably had little chance of tagging it, it shook its head and spat the hook back at us narrowly missing Brian's head and landing on the floor of the boat. Then there was silence as we gathered ourselves and realised that we missed the chance to tag what was close to an 8ft (approx 110kg) Marlin.

On the way back to port, we received news that Shane Jasprizza tagged a shark in the afternoon which was welcome news as it meant the club had something on the board for the convention, plus at least the weather was good.

Sunday

Jon and I again went out with Brian on Sunday, this time it was to hunt for Kingies! We left at 7:00am for Huskisson to launch Brian's boat; however we ended up launching at Murray's Beach in the national park at close to 8:30am due to roads being blocked for the triathlon that was running that day.

We headed out to the middle ground not far from where we launched and the conditions were picture perfect with beautiful calm seas. Again there were plenty of boats out there as we found a bait school and started to jig for Kingies. Brian managed to jig up two Kingies and I lost one while live baiting.



With that we called it a day and headed back to the house to record the capture before the 12:00noon cut-off time.

Over all it was a great weekend for me as I got to see my first Marlin up close and took some Kingfish home as Brian was kind enough to share. I would like to thank Brian for taking me out in his boat again even after the Banana incident last time.

By Zane Zhao

Friday

The lucky ones got off work early but Mic Jewry & I (Chris Head) couldn't get away until after work. From memory we left Queanbeyan about 5:40pm just as the rainstorm hit and we had it following us all the way to St Georges Basin. When travelling along Nerriga Road all I could see in the revision mirror was lightening. It was a good run Tarago way, managed it easily in about 2.5hrs with the boat and now only about 1.5km of dirt left which is being worked on. The storm hit SB about 10:30.

Saturday

With the storm gone the next couple of days weather wise was terrific. I had a plan to hit the east side of SB where previously I had dropped an est. 80cm flathead last trip. I was looking for a PB flathead this trip. Mic and I setup and within a few casts had a nice flathead and thought this is going to be great. But from then on it was very quiet with the odd fish. After a few hours and a lot of casts and lure changes we moved spots as not much was happening. We found a good school of fish on the sounder on our way to the next spot so we pulled up and eventually we had a few pro boats around us as it was the Squidgy Southern Bream Series over the weekend. Irony was we were fishing for flathead and what did I catch a 35cm bream, I think a few of the other boats were cursing as I released it, this fish managed to get me the length trophy for the Nowra Convention.

We tried many spots during the day with mixed results and even found some leather jackets. Needless to say we went through a few plastics before moving on. Mic and I were just



happy to be on the water even with slim pickings.



Anyhow around 2ish the wind had come up and we were fishing an area over one of the artificial reef drifting, which started to produce a few bites after changing to a 3" Gulp Banana Prawn. We were on our second drift when I hooked up and thought another small fish until I couldn't lift the rod and line started running, Mic asked "need the net", I called it for a ray and said we'll see. Took a little while but we eventually saw

colour and no ray just a nice large flathead. So it saw the boat and took off, Mic manned the net and eventually we got it back to the boat & thought gee's nets not big enough, but Mic was up to the challenge and in it went a nice 79cm 3.3kg lizard. Thanks for your efforts Mic cheering!

Sunday

So Sunday was a bit of a false start for us as someone forgot their wallet (rat fine) and Mic had to go back to the house to pick it up as I was not



prepared to take the chance of an on the spot fine for not having my fishing or boat licence. We headed straight for the same spot that I picked up the good fish the day before and on arrival picked up a nice keeper but that was all for the morning.

Finished up the morning with plenty of time to get back to the house and head to Nowra to put in capture forms, so we thought. So we headed into the traffic jam of the triathlon and only just made the cut off with seconds to spare, haven't run that fast in a long time.

Met up with Shane to hear he had hooked up with a 7ft hammerhead shark that ran that hard that started to melt the drag knob on his reel. Unfortunately after a great fight line parted before the drag failed. Shane also managed some fishing off the rocks and tangled with a few salmon that resulted in bust off's until he picked up a nice 2.020kg salmon on 1kg line that with a good net partner was landed for some good points. **By Chris Head**



Captures/Results

For the outing the club recorded 29 captures, the standouts being Chris Head's Flathead (79cm) and Bream (35cm) which took out the longest Flathead and Bream award at the convention. Shane Jasprizza took out the Rock Section for the convention with a salmon 2.02kg on 1kg line for 242.2 points . There was notable captures by Shane Jasprizza a 7ft hammerhead shark, Brian Stacy's 2 Kingfish of 75cm and Jon Vogel Salmons going 58.5cm, 57.7cm and 56cm.

ANGLER	SPECIES	CLUB	WEIGHT	LINE GAGE	POINTS	ANGLER	SPECIES	CLUB	WEIGHT
ROCKS						BEACH			
SHANE JASPRIZZA	AUST SALMON	CANBERRA	2.020	1	242.2	JEFF TATLEY	AUST SALMON	ST GEORGE	1.310
PETER OBERG	TREVALLY	ALBAA	0.43	1	64.5	"	"	"	1.240
"	"	"	0.37	1	63	CHRIS NODDROS	"	2024 STONE	1.220
"	"	"	0.700	1	84	ABRAHAM EUPHROS	FLAT HEAD	"	0.93
"	"	"	0.50	1	61.7				
"	"	"	0.50	1	62.7				
"	"	"	0.50	1	60				
CHRIS GRANT	BONITO	SP NSW	1.240	2	100.5				
MICK SPITZER	"	"	1.360	1	204				
"	"	"	1.250	1	153.6				
SHANE JASPRIZZA	"	CANBERRA	1.340	1	201				
MICHAEL FOURKINE	LUDERICK	ALBAA	0.680	1	91.6				
"	"	"	0.700	1	94				
PETER OBERG	AUST SALMON	"	2.000	1	240				
DAMON THORPE	"	"	1.760	1	211				
LENGTH						TAG & RELEASE			
KINGFISH						PETER GRUBER	Whiting	SHANE JASPRIZZA	42
SALMON						MICHAEL GULLMAN	"	"	42
FLATHEAD						"	"	"	42
SNAPPER						REBECCA'S	Shoal H-Lin	MARCONA	40
BREAM									
	CHRIS HEAD	790							
	DAMON THORPE	692	57cm						
	CHRIS HEAD	350							



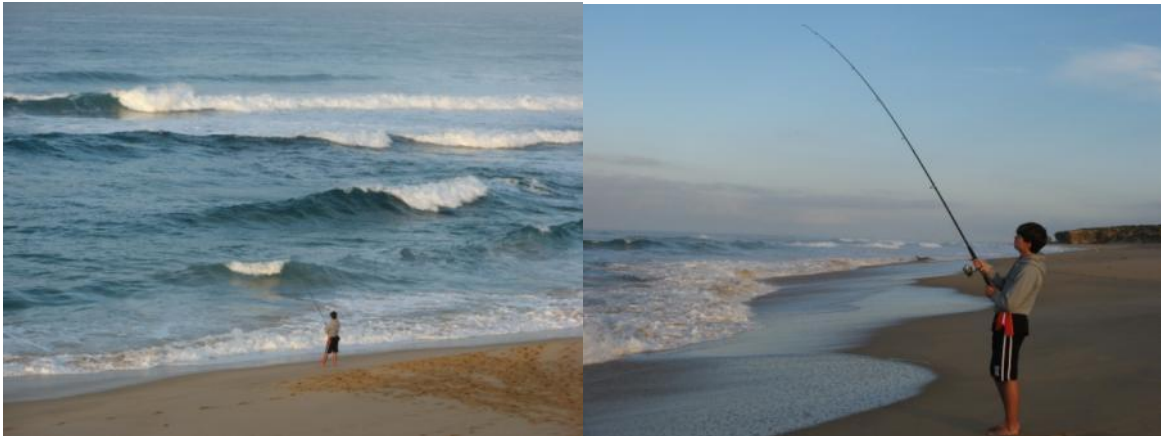
Greetings from South of the Border

Hi everyone. Thought we would send a little note just to let you know how things are going down here.

We have settled into Melbourne life reasonably quickly. My work has not really changed I just have a different landscape out the window (actually it has changed as I didn't have a window in the office in Canberra). Tom and Phoebe have settled into their respective schools and for Phoebe also her Ballet, which was the main reason for relocating. Ruth is keeping us all organised and together and we have a new family member. She is a 9 week old Japanese Spitz called "Paris". Not sure if she will emulate Stunt Dog (Maxi) but we will see.

We are renting in East Brighton until we sort out the best spot for us to live permanently. It is not too far from the Bayside beaches so we get down to Sandringham for a swim at least a few times each week. We are also getting used to catching trams and trains rather than getting into the traffic. "Escape" has fitted into the garage nicely and it won't be too long before it gets a taste of Victorian waters as we are planning a weekend trip to Inverloch (Andersons Inlet) in the coming weeks. We are assured that it has EP's and King George Whiting so that will be a good challenge.

Last weekend Tom and I decided that it was time to break the drought so we went to Gunnamatta Beach which is down on the Mornington Peninsula towards Portsea and Sorrento. It was just over a one hour drive so not too bad at all. It was still dark on arrival so we parked the car and went for a quick scout before deciding on where to fish. The beach had some good formation and it wasn't far to walk to a nice hole/gutter. The disconcerting part was not having the sun rise directly into our faces as we fished. A more south-westerly aspect meant the sun rose behind us and over our left shoulders.



We were the second lot of anglers on the beach but were soon joined by others and also a large contingent of surfers turned up, thankfully not wanting to share our spot. Nicely spread out along the beach and with a bit of berley being added by the group closest to us we waited for the first bite.

Keeping it very simple with a small star sinker paternoster style rig and using a half pillie for bait we ended up with 5 Salmon to take home for dinner and dropped at least that many again. The fish were around the 35cm mark and the one we weighed was just over 500gm so not big but fun anyway on 2 and 3kg gear. There were also a large number of fat sand crabs out in the water as we also lost a lot of baits to them.





We also took some time to tour other likely spots for future day trips and hopefully the fish will grow for our next trip.

Enough for now. Hope you are all catching plenty. See you on the water sometime.



Jamie and Tom.

First Timer Game Fishing Tournament

Brian Stacy was kind enough to take me out in his new boat and introduce me to Game fishing over the Christmas period. Although we saw marlin being caught on this trip and hooked one briefly we were not lucky enough to capture one. I really enjoyed the trip and at the end of it Brian could obviously see this and said you are now hooked, the answer was "YES". Little did I know what this meant at the time but now I am the proud owner of a game rod and reel minus \$\$\$ and ready for the next trip.

Brian casually called me at the end of January to inform me that he was entering the Jess Sams Game Fishing Tournament to be held on the 3rd – 5th February by the Ulladulla Game Fishing Club. He was crewing with Mario Imbriano one of our members and Brian informed me Gary Cairns, owner Tackle World Canberra was looking for a couple of crew. Needless to say I grabbed the phone and gave Gary a call and became one of the crew on his boat Apothecary for the event.

The trip with Gary and crew (Kim, Richard & Joe) was bloody amazing and yes hard to come back to reality. We had a bit of everything. Friday weather was shocking bucketing down, heading up to 3m swell with 25knot winds. We could only get a few baits saw no fish, had to come in about 2 hours early as weather forecast from Montague was it was going to get even worse.



Saturday was flat as a mill pond unbelievable after Friday. Once again we had trouble getting bait so trolled North, Gary had looked up on the web and it showed warmer water north. We trolled all the way to Jervis Bay with water temp starting to drop, then on the radio we got reports of multiple marlin hook ups in 75ft off Brush Island. So we turned around and trolled back for a few striped tuna. By the time we got to the spot all had gone quiet. One boat Mr Hooker had tagged and

released five striped marlin for the session we watched on while a number of boats hooked up.

Sunday another nice day we were armed with burley and tuna fillets and found bait just outside Ulladulla Harbour, filled the bait tank in about 10 min. Then motored hard out to where the activity was on Saturday. Within an hour of trolling live baits we had a marlin on. Kim was on strike and put in a great effort; we tagged her striped marlin est. 100kg, but broke the tag pole clean in 2 in





our effort to tag the fish. We had to make some running repairs, but we had the first fish for the day cheering.

About 2 hours later we had a small marlin come up to the left out rigger and the bloody thing could not get the bait down. Was so funny we slowed down, sped up dropped the line out of the out rigger and then all hell broke loose. We had 3 marlin behind the boat 1 hammering the teaser, we madly trying to pull the teaser in and feed it a live bait. The left bait got hammered and gone; the right one took off at speed. Not sure we would have handled a double hook-up. Joe my mate that came with us was on strike and he hooked up and played the fish for about 40 min. We tagged this striped marlin est just over 100kgs.



Not sure if it was the rookie tag crew but this time the applicator came off the tag pole, there now is a marlin with a tag and applicator swimming around. We have a rough video taken on Joe's Iphone waiting for a copy. Some great photos were taken by Richard the other crew member with a Canon camera with a big ass lens and we thank him for the shots of the fish jumping and beside the boat amongst others.



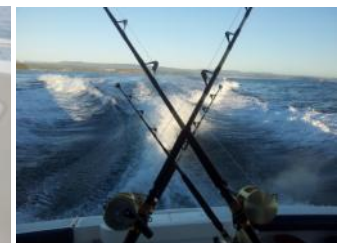
So we got 2 striped marlin for the 3 days and 3 striped tuna. With every capture even though I was not on strike the heart was pumping and it was a big rush for all on board. So overall bit of everything and after the slow start I think we ended up 2nd overall in the comp.

We also just touched the Batemans Bay bar on the way in as it was low tide sand spewed up but Gary had the boat out of gear at the time so no damaged done. They are going to be dredging the bar in the next few weeks.



Oh that's right on Sat out near the shelf we saw what we thought was a huge bait school and as we got closer it was a huge multiple pod of dolphins must have been hundreds plus seals playing around, whatever they were after did not show on sonar so must have been krill or something, but this was spectacular.

So a big thanks to Gary and the crew I had a great time and looking forward to the next time I can get out game fishing.



Was very hard to come back to work :) **By Chris Head**

Burrinjuck Waters State park report

Fishing & Lake Report 29/02/12

Rain last 9 days: 63 mm

Current discharge: 1980 mega litres per day.

Water level current: 73.9 %

Current inflow: 6540 mega litres per day.

Water level : 15/02/2012 72.6.0 %

Water visibility: good. Lures visible to 2m

Weather: Currently raining with a lot of rain predicted in the catchment before the weekend. Forecast for Saturday & Sunday is a bit better with showers again predicted and top temps of 27.

Full moon = 8th March

New Moon = 23rd March

Water Temperature: 24 degrees

Murray Cod: The reports for the weekend were again very good with some bigger fish between 70cm to 80 cm being caught. Deep diving yellow and green lures were again producing the fish in water depths of 6 metres plus. Local spinner bait manufacturer, John Wilson, has been making a 1 ounce and 3 ounce spinner bait which can be trolled in deep water very effectively. John picked up 2 cod on Sunday morning with a red & Black version of the 3 ounce spinner bait. There are quite a few fishermen using these heavy spinner baits with a lot of success. [Frosty's Spinner baits 62262880]

Yellow Belly : Were again fishing very well on the weekend. Shrimp & Small yabbies were again accounting for most of the catches. The Gundagai fishing club were in over the weekend with some very good reports coming in. Col managed 7 Yellows in one morning bobbing yabbies in 18 metres of water. The fish were holding in mid water. The more common reports were of a couple of fish being caught from a snag and then moving around from snag to snag to find the fish. I would expect with the forecast rain in the catchment this week that the water visibility will decrease and the fish will be moving up into the shallows with the rising water levels and cooler water entering the system, so I will be throwing some lures around in the shallows on the next trip out.

Redfin: again being caught on bait and lure, The bigger fish were being picked up by the bait fisherman bobbing near the bottom, shrimp, Worms & Yabbies. Trolling was producing a lot of smaller fish. I again managed a dozen fish on Sunday evening using Jackalls with a slow retrieve along the bottom. The redfin will also be on the move in the next week with the rising water.

Carp : Yes we have heaps, corn bread & worms, thankfully not hitting the lures anymore.

Park News: Congratulations to Danny & Andrea from Wagga Wagga. Danny managed to catch quite a few fish over the weekend and get married on Saturday afternoon at Carrolls Creek. The reception was held in our conference centre and Danny managed to go fishing again on Sunday. What a wonderful bride you have managed to catch. All the best for the future.

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Manager: Burrinjuck Waters State Park .



From the Editor

We have had some great photos come in over the last couple of months so keep them coming to info@canberrafishos.com for your chance to win a \$20 Tackle World voucher. Also a reminder you can enter the Tackle World photo competition to be in the running for a \$30 gift voucher.

<http://www.tackleworldcanberra.com.au/videosold/local-heroes-photos>

So if you were really lucky and had that winning shot you could end up with \$50 worth of Tackle World vouchers.

I am still looking to members to send me photos, stories, jokes and information that can be used in the newsletter and or website. So if you have been away and have a few photos from the trip send them in with a paragraph or two, don't have to be many words but will be of interest to members I am sure. Thanks to Zane and Jamie for their contribution to this month's newsletter and Anthony's time proof reading.

Also if you have some gear to sell swap or barter then send me the details and we can put it into the newsletter.

All of the above should be emailed to info@canberrafishos.com , hand delivered or drop me a line on my mobile 0408 225 794.

Also keep an eye out for Members only deals coming up, and more presentations on the way

Regards

Chris Head

January Photo Competition entries



2011-2012 Canberra Fisherman's Club Outings & Meeting Calendar

<i>Outing Date</i>	<i>Outing</i>	<i>Monthly Meetings</i>
9th – 11th March	Narooma Convention (3-day outing)	13th
17th – 18th March	Fishing Clinic & Canberra Carp-Out	
21st – 22nd April	Bega/Brogo/Tathra	10th
19th – 20th May	Kalkite (Jindabyne)	8th
9th – 11th June	Narooma (3-day outing)	12th
21st – 22nd July	Kiola/Ulladulla	10th

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Once again we would like to thank all our sponsors for supporting our club during 2011 and hope to continue this relationship through 2012.

We are in the process of updating our sponsors list, so if you see someone missing/ needs to be remove and or an organisation that you think would be worth approaching please let us know.

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Senior	\$20	\$20
Family	\$30	\$25

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For Sale / Swap or Barter

Quintrex 480 Freedom Sport bow-rider, first registered in 2005 (see attached photos)

Boat is 4.8m, white with red and blue accents, has been immaculately maintained and is in excellent condition - would suit a new boat buyer. The Evinrude 75hp E-Tec outboard (with cover) has less than 70hrs use since new.

Fitted with:

- Garmin GPS Chartplotter/fishfinder,
- 27mhz marine radio,
- Fusion iPod/MP3 player & radio,
- inshore safety gear,
- full covers including trailerable full boat cover,
- bimini with removable clears,
- removable bait-board
- provision for dual batteries (only one fitted).

The Dunbier trailer is in excellent condition and has bearing-buddies fitted. Both boat and trailer have just been re-registered for a full 12 months (NSW). All navigation lights are fitted. Carpet and upholstery are in perfect condition and with the bow rider comfortably seats 5 adults. The boat has been garaged and covered since new. This boat represents savings of thousands over buying new, yet looks new. This is a perfect fishing/pleasure craft and can be easily towed by a family sedan. Reluctant sale but you won't be disappointed!

Located at Basin View, NSW (near St George's Basin/Jervis Bay) but relocation to ACT possible. \$26,500 ono.

Contact: **Kathy Winterton**

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Fishing Rods & Home Theatre System

- Penn Pinpoint Tournament 1-3kg baitcaster - \$50.00
- Berkley Dropshot 6-8kg baitcaster - \$50.00
- Ian Miller Salty Barra baitcast rod, built on G Loomis blank - \$150.00

Home Theatre System \$120.00

Details

System is in good working order

Includes front, rear, centre speakers plus powered sub woofer, all cabling, radio antennas (AM and FM) and remote. It has Scart, S-Video and component connections, but not HDMI. I've got extra cables for these if needed.

Also include the pair of adjustable height rear speaker stands pictured and VCR. I'm sure I could dig out the owner's manual as well if required.



Contact: **Shane Jasprizza**

Mobile: 0413 803 409

ANSA NSW 12 Month Competition Standings 2012.03.04

ANSA NSW 12-Month Competition - Current Standings as at 04-Mar-2012

ANGLERS NAME	CLUB	SPECIES	MASS	LINE	POINTS
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DIVISION 1 - Landbased - Game Species (excl. carp)

1 Adam Dia	Australian Land Based	MARLIN - BLACK	151.000	24	755.000
2 Clint Hitchcock	Wollongong Sportfishing	MULLOWAY	17.500	10	175.000
3 Neil Wilson	St George Sportfishing Club	MULLOWAY	1.880	2	94.000

DIVISION 2 - Landbased - Non-Game Species (excl. Carp)

1 VACANT	NO CLUB		0.000	0	0.000
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DIVISION 3 - Sportfishing - Saltwater Lakes and Estuaries (excl. Carp)

1 Terry Tatton	Wollongong Sportfishing	FLATHEAD - DUSKY	6.500	2	325.000
2 Russell Emms	Wollongong Sportfishing	FLATHEAD - DUSKY	6.000	2	300.000
3 Glen Daniels	St George Sportfishing Club	FLATHEAD - DUSKY	4.200	2	210.000

DIVISION 4 - Sportfishing - From a Boat (Outside)

1 Paul Emms	Wollongong Sportfishing	MARLIN - BLACK	106.000	15	848.000
2 Kayden D'Hyon	St George Sportfishing Club	MARLIN - BLACK	89.000	15	712.000
3 David Busuttil	Botany Bay Sport Fishing	TUNA - YELLOWFIN	39.000	15	390.000

DIVISION 5 - Sportfishing - Freshwater (excl. Carp)

1 Rob Sinclair	Sea Bees Boating Club	PERCH - GOLDEN	3.500	2	175.000
2 Brock Evans	Australian Land Based	PERCH - GOLDEN	3.100	2	155.000
3 Stuart Bell	Sth Sydney Amateur Fishing	TROUT - BROWN	2.140	2	107.000

DIVISION 6 - Lure Fishing - Saltwater

1 Terry Tatton	Wollongong Sportfishing	TUNA - STRIPED	4.800	2	360.000
2 Terry Tatton	Wollongong Sportfishing	BONITO -	3.400	2	255.000
3 Terry Tatton	Wollongong Sportfishing	TUNA - FRIGATE	1.100	2	82.500

DIVISION 7 - Lure Fishing - Freshwater (excl. Carp)

1 Grant Evans	Australian Land Based	PERCH - GOLDEN	4.350	2	217.500
3 Phillip Macdonald	St George Sportfishing Club	PERCH - SILVER	2.000	2	120.000
4 Terry Tatton	Wollongong Sportfishing	BASS - AUSTRALIAN	1.100	2	82.500

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ANGLERS NAME	CLUB	SPECIES	MASS	LINE	POINTS
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DIVISION 8 - Flyfishing - Saltwater

1 VACANT	NO CLUB		0.000	0	0.000
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DIVISION 9 - Flyfishing - Freshwater (excl. Carp)

1 VACANT	NO CLUB		0.000	0	0.000
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DIVISION 10 - Carp Only - All Divisions (Senior)

1 Todd Moeser	Sea Bees Boating Club	CARP - EUROPEAN	5.760	2	230.400
2 Terry Tatton	Wollongong Sportfishing	CARP - EUROPEAN	4.800	2	192.000
3 Todd Moeser	Sea Bees Boating Club	CARP - EUROPEAN	3.490	2	139.600

DIVISION 11 - Carp Only - All Divisions (Junior and Sub-Junior)

1 Kyle Walton	Canberra Fisherman's Club	CARP - EUROPEAN	5.760	2	230.400
2 Aaron Anderson	Wollongong Sportfishing	CARP - EUROPEAN	5.350	2	214.000
3 Patrick Sinclair	Sea Bees Boating Club	CARP - EUROPEAN	1.530	2	61.200

DIVISION 12 - Gamefishing (excl. Carp)

1 Terry Tatton	Wollongong Sportfishing	MARLIN - BLACK	117.500	10	1410.000
2 Jess Vella	Sea Bees Boating Club	MARLIN - BLUE	142.200	24	711.000
3 Terry Tatton	Wollongong Sportfishing	MARLIN - BLACK	102.000	24	510.000

DIVISION 13 - Capture by a Lady (excl. Carp)

1 Melanie Evans	Australian Land Based	PERCH - GOLDEN	4.000	2	200.000
2 Belinda Rayment	St George Sportfishing Club	TUNA - STRIPED	2.390	2	179.250
3 VACANT	NO CLUB		0.000	0	0.000

DIVISION 14 - Capture by a Junior Boy (excl. Carp)

1 Aaron Anderson	Wollongong Sportfishing	DOLPHIN FISH	7.400	3	370.000
2 VACANT	NO CLUB		0.000	0	0.000

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ANGLERS NAME	CLUB	SPECIES	MASS	LINE	POINTS
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DIVISION 15 - Capture by a Junior Girl (excl. Carp)

1	VACANT	NO CLUB	0.000	0	0.000
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DIVISION 16 - Capture by a Sub-Junior (excl. Carp)

1	Breanna Busuttil	Botany Bay Sport Fishing	TUNA - STRIPED	2.850	2	213.750
2	Logan Hay	Wollongong Sportfishing	SALMON -	3.340	2	200.400
3	Douglas White	Botany Bay Sport Fishing	TUNA - YELLOWFIN	26.000	24	162.500

DIVISION 18 - Length Only - Trout (All Species)

1	Manny Kandros	Sth Sydney Amateur Fishing Assoc	TROUT - BROWN			600.000
1	Stan Konstantaras	Sth Sydney Amateur Fishing Assoc	TROUT - BROWN			600.000
3	Jim Kosyfas	Sth Sydney Amateur Fishing Assoc	TROUT - BROWN			580.000

DIVISION 19 - Length Only - Australian Bass

1	Dave Wylie	Wollongong Sportfishing Club	BASS - AUSTRALIAN			520.000
2	John Redman	Newcastle Sportfishing Club	BASS - AUSTRALIAN			515.000
3	Peter Upfold	Newcastle Sportfishing Club	BASS - AUSTRALIAN			500.000

DIVISION 20 - Length Only - Bream (All Species)

1	David Busuttil	Botany Bay Sport Fishing Club	BREAM - BLACK			445.000
2	Dave Wylie	Wollongong Sportfishing Club	BREAM - BLACK			440.000
2	Carl Mckavanagh	Australian Land Based Anglers	BREAM - BLACK			440.000

DIVISION 21 - Length Only - Flathead (All Species)

1	Deborah Logan	St George Sportfishing Club	FLATHEAD - DUSKY			1020.000
2	Stephen Camilleri	Botany Bay Sport Fishing Club	FLATHEAD - DUSKY			845.000
3	Robert Sciberras	Sth Sydney Amateur Fishing Assoc	FLATHEAD - DUSKY			840.000

DIVISION 22 - Length Only - Australian Salmon

1	Mitchell McGovern	Canberra Fisherman's Club	SALMON -			718.000
2	Brock Evans	Australian Land Based Anglers	SALMON -			673.000
3	Adam Camilleri	Botany Bay Sport Fishing Club	SALMON -			665.000

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ANGLERS NAME	CLUB	SPECIES	MASS	LINE	POINTS
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DIVISION 23 - Length Only - Yellowtail Kingfish

1	Kurt Edwards	Australian Land Based Anglers	KINGFISH - YELLOWTAIL		1190.000
2	Peter Oberg	Australian Land Based Anglers	KINGFISH - YELLOWTAIL		915.000
3	VACANT	NO CLUB	0.000	0	0.000

DIVISION 24 - Handline (excl. carp)

1	Grant Evans	Australian Land Based	PERCH - GOLDEN	3.000	2	150.000
2	Mary Worsley	St George Sportfishing Club	TUNA - STRIPED	2.510	4	94.125
3	VACANT	NO CLUB	0.000	0		0.000

DIVISION 17 - Tag and Release

1	Russell Emms	Wollongong Sportfishing Club			500
2	Silvestro Severi	Sth Sydney Amateur Fishing Assoc			340
3	Peter Upfold	Newcastle Sportfishing Club			180

DIVISION 25 - Most Versatile Angler

ANGLERS NAME	CLUB	POINTS
Terry Tatton	Wollongong Sportfishing Club	35
Grant Evans	Australian Land Based Anglers Assoc	9
Aaron Anderson	Wollongong Sportfishing Club	9
Kayden D'Hyon	St George Sportfishing Club	5
Adam Dia	Australian Land Based Anglers Assoc	5
Russell Emms	Wollongong Sportfishing Club	5
Alexander Katrakilis	Sth Sydney Amateur Fishing Assoc	5
Paul Tanti	Sea Bees Boating Club	5
Paul Emms	Wollongong Sportfishing Club	5
David Busuttil	Botany Bay Sport Fishing Club	5
Jess Vella	Sea Bees Boating Club	5

DIVISION 26 - Champion Club

CLUB	POINTS
Wollongong Sportfishing Club	36.5
Australian Land Based Anglers Assoc	19.5
St George Sportfishing Club	11
Botany Bay Sport Fishing Club	11
Sth Sydney Amateur Fishing Assoc	10

ANSA NSW 12-Month Competition - Current Standings as at 04-Mar-2012

ANGLERS NAME	CLUB	SPECIES	MASS LINE	POINTS
Sea Bees Boating Club				10
Canberra Fisherman's Club				6
Newcastle Sportfishing Club				4