

Newsletter

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Winner of the March 2016 Photo Competition



**Keith S – Black Bream, 24cm & 37.5cm, caught at the
2016 Narooma Convention.**

Zman grubs in motor oil colour

Photograph by Anthony Heiser

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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,

Well the 9th Annual Canberra Carp Out is done and dusted and another successful event run by the club thanks to the help from all our club volunteers. Without the support of our membership we certainly could not run this event. So from myself and the committee I wish to thank everyone who assisted. We are still tidying up a few loose ends and hope to have the final figures for the next general meeting.

I would like to also thank all of our Canberra Carp Out sponsors below who, without their support, we just could not get this event off the ground.

To the **ACT Government** for assisting us with a small grant via the 2016 festival fund.

To Matt from **Canberra Marine** and Jeff from **Fyshwick Marine** for assisting us in putting the major prize package together (Boat, Motor and safety equipment).

To Matt from **Otto's Tackle World Canberra** for assisting us with all the place getting prizes (Rod combo's tackle box, fishing tackle and vouchers).

To Brett from **Longpark Meat Co.** for donating the sausages for our sausage sizzle.

To Michael at Woolworths Belconnen for organising the **Wonder White** bread for the sausage sizzle.

To Melissa from **The Cancer Support Group ACT Eden Monaro's own** and all their volunteers for again running the sausage sizzle.

To Jess from **Shotclock Espresso** for the much needed coffee and sweet treats to go with it.

To Jason from **First Aid Services** for donating Mel's time to assist with first aid support.

To Tobias from **The Mulloon Institute** for organising the removal of the fish for composting for use on the farm as fertiliser.

To Daniel from **The Anglers Art** for donation of junior fishing combos for prizes.

To Adrian from **Care Traffic** for assistance with implementing the traffic management plan.

To Sheryl from **Suez** for donating the extra waste bins to keep the area clean.

To the **Capital Chemist** group for promotion assistance.

To **CRFA** for their support.

To **Bendigo Bank Jerrabomberra Branch** for supplying ATM and gazebo.

To Rob from **Staunch RACE Solutions** for assisting with our safety plan.

To **Go Hosting** for their webhosting services.

I would also like to thank our Fish stocking raffle sponsors below who with their support ensured again another successful raffle.

To Scott from **Wetspot Water Sports** for the 1st Prize Hobie Outback Kayak.

To Aaron from **Camping World Mitchell** for the Aria 1 4-person tent.

To Guy from **Road Tech Marine** for the 3rd Prize Powertech portable fridge freezer.

To **CanPrint** for printing the raffle tickets.

Hopefully I haven't forgotten anyone. Please support the above sponsors where you can and hopefully we can all work towards the 10th Anniversary of the Canberra Carp Out in 2017.

We are looking for a Major Sponsor to assist us with the 10th Anniversary so if you know of a company that might be able to assist in a major way please get in touch with me.

The St Georges Basin outing was another successful outing for the club with a good mixed bag of fish caught with most members getting a fish or two. I was fortunate to get a nice

71cm flathead 2.07kg on 2kg line and four nice bream, all caught and released. John will have an update on the captures in his report

Up and coming outings are Kalkite (Lake Jindabyne) 7th & 8th May, followed by Narooma 11th – 13th June then finally Ulladulla 2nd – 3rd July.

Talking outings, the May 10th General Meeting is when we will work out the outing calendar for the coming year. Some outings are already set as we have had to book accommodation 12 months in advance but if you want to propose a place to go fishing for an outing, then this is the meeting you need to attend to have your say. Hope to see you there.

NOTE: AGM Date and day has moved to **Wednesday 10th August 2016**. Please put this date in your diary, as we need as many financial members at this meeting as possible. Also while thinking about this date have a think about joining the committee as all positions will be open and need to be filled.

Tight lines everybody till next month.

Chris Head



Secretary's Report

Hi All

Well the Canberra Carp-Out is done and dusted for another year. In no small way due to the club's committee, I would like to thank you all for your hard work in the months leading up to the event and for making it run smooth on the day. I would also like to thank the general membership that volunteered to help out on the day, we seemed to have plenty of help which seemed to make the day fly by. Many hands make light (and fast) work rings very true. Finally, huge congratulations go out to all of the winners, both of the Carp-Out and the Fish Stocking Raffle.

We should know to what degree the day was a financial success within the next couple of weeks. I look forward to sharing this with you, along with all the capture and attendance statistics compared to previous years, when we have the report completed.

This month's outing was St. George's Basin and I bet everyone who went was having a blissful rest after the Carp-Out rush.

Coming up in May (7th & 8th) we dive into the freshwater season with a trip to Kalkite on Lake Jindabyne. This is usually a tough weekend for fishing but at least it doesn't snow!! I hope to see you all there chasing some salmonoids.

There is an important change that I would like to bring to everyone's attention early on.

That is, that we have had to change the date for the August General Meeting (which is our AGM) due to scheduling conflicts at Eastlakes FC.

The meeting will now be held on Wednesday, 10th August 2016.

All other details will remain the same.

Next General Meeting: Tuesday, 10th May 2016. Eastlakes Football Club, Griffith. 7.30pm.

Tight Lines

Sarah



Recorder's Report

G'day all,

Most of the captures this month came from St. George's Basin where the fishing was not as easy as it has been in the past, but still productive if you knew where to look. Chris Head and myself walked away with two decent sized Flathead captures (both released). Strangely, his was 55 mm longer than mine, but only weighed but only weighed 40 grams more. Greg Davis caught a nice sized Whiting off the surface while fishing over weed beds in only a metre or so of water. Most fish were caught on those weeds or on the drop offs sloping away from them.

Now that May has rolled around again keep in mind that Bass and Estuary Perch are now catch and release only if caught in rivers below fresh water impoundments. Also, if you're fishing in trout spawning streams the legal length for Trout is 50 cm and the bag limit is 1 fish.

ANSA NSW has released an update to the 12 month competition that sees Glen Malam continue to hold first place in the Salt water lakes and estuaries, Sports fishing division. As a club, however, we have fallen to 7th on the ladder.

Well, that's it from me for another month. As usual, keep those capture forms rolling in! I'm off to Broken Hill and a few days on the Darling later this week so I won't be at the next meeting. So I'll see you all in a month's time.

John.



Club Championship

Open

Chris Clark	528	(less than 2 outings attended)
Colin Clark	506	(less than 2 outings attended)
Macy Walton	487	(less than 2 outings attended)
Mel Marlborough	450	
Glen Malam	426	

Ladies

Macy Walton	487	(less than 2 outings attended)
Mel Marlborough	450	
Rose Davis	96	
Lilly Mcneice	17	

Junior

Macy Walton	487	(less than 2 outings attended)
Kyle Walton	308	(less than 2 outings attended)
Justin Mcneice	23	
Lilly Mcneice	17	

Land Based

Chris Clark	528	(less than 2 outings attended)
Colin Clark	506	(less than 2 outings attended)
Mel Marlborough	450	
Macy Walton	260	(less than 2 outings attended)
Shane Jasprizza	140	

Fresh Water

Mel Marlborough	450	
Macy Walton	260	(less than 2 outings attended)
Mick Jewry	114	(less than 2 outings attended)
Anthony Heiser	69	
Glen Malam	60	

Salt Water

Chris Clark	528	(less than 2 outings attended)
Colin Clark	506	(less than 2 outings attended)
Glen Malam	366	
Kyle Walton	308	(less than 2 outings attended)
Macy Walton	227	(less than 2 outings attended)

Most Versatile Angler

Chris Clark	8	(less than 3 sections entered)
Macy Walton	7	(less than 3 sections entered)
Glen Malam	7	
Kyle Walton	4	(less than 3 sections entered)
Shane Jasprizza	3	(less than 3 sections entered)

Salt Water Length *(Black Bream, Pikey Bream, Tarwhine, Yellowfin Bream)*

Colin Clark	9,050
Keith Smith	7,995
Steve Bailey	4,855
Chris Clark	3,775
Daniel Mcneice	3,165

Fresh Water Length *(Golden Perch)*

Paul Hoath	3,970
John Bosch	1,795
Chris Lemmon	970
Macy Walton	480
Mick Jewry	420

Tagging Award

Board Fish - Weight

All Other Rays	0.68 kg	Chris Clark
Atlantic Salmon	0.50 kg	Chris Lemmon
Australian Salmon	2.32 kg	Zane Zhao
Barramundi	18.00 kg	Steve Bailey
Black Bream	1.40 kg	Chris Lemmon
Blue Morwong	1.19 kg	Eustice Tonna
Brown Trout	4.78 kg	Mitchell McGovern
Common Shovel-nosed Ray	2.89 kg	Chris Clark
Common Stingray	4.64 kg	Glen Malam
Dusky Flathead	4.00 kg	Kyle Walton
European Carp	4.50 kg	Mel Marlborough
Fiddler Ray	6.26 kg	Colin Clark
Golden Perch	1.80 kg	Macy Walton
Leatherjacket	0.94 kg	Eustice Tonna
Luderick	0.58 kg	Chris Lemmon
Mulloway	4.86 kg	Chris Clark
Rainbow Trout	7.10 kg	Mitchell McGovern
Redfin Perch	1.38 kg	Chris Guion
Sand Flathead	0.71 kg	Colin Clark
Sand Whiting	0.50 kg	Karren Harper
Silver Trevally	0.70 kg	Chris Guion
Snapper	0.57 kg	Eustice Tonna
Snook Barracuda	0.97 kg	Zane Zhao
Tailor	0.91 kg	Chris Clark
Whiptail Ray	6.88 kg	Chris Lemmon
Yellowfin Bream	1.48 kg	Keith Smith

Board Fish - Length

Atlantic Salmon	450 mm	Chris Lemmon
Australian Salmon	500 mm	Chris Lemmon
Banjo Ray	930 mm	Susan Mcneice
Barramundi	1130 mm	Steve Bailey
Black Bream	450 mm	Steve Bailey
Blue Morwong	490 mm	Eustice Tonna
Brown Trout	660 mm	Mitchell McGovern
Dusky Flathead	840 mm	Glen Malam
Dusky Flathead	840 mm	Kyle Walton
European Carp	720 mm	Chris Head
Fiddler Ray	1010 mm	Colin Clark
Flounder	340 mm	Colin Clark
Golden Perch	560 mm	John Bosch
Leatherjacket	400 mm	Eustice Tonna
Mullet	340 mm	Susan Mcneice
Mulloway	820 mm	Chris Clark
Murray Cod	580 mm	Steve Bailey
Rainbow Trout	865 mm	Mitchell McGovern
Redfin Perch	430 mm	Chris Guion
Sand Flathead	490 mm	Colin Clark
Sand Whiting	400 mm	Karren Harper
Sea Mullet	350 mm	Anthony Heiser
Silver Trevally	340 mm	Colin Clark
Snapper	350 mm	Eustice Tonna
Snook Barracuda	720 mm	Zane Zhao
Tailor	450 mm	Chris Clark
Tiger Flathead	480 mm	Mal Hedgecue
Yellow-eye Mullet	440 mm	Colin Clark
Yellowfin Bream	400 mm	Keith Smith

Best Fish

Fresh Water

European Carp

4.50kg on 1 kg
Mel Marlborough

Estuary

Dusky Flathead

4.00kg on 2 kg
Kyle Walton

Rocks

Australian Salmon

1.90kg on 2 kg
Shane Jasprizza

Beach

Australian Salmon

2.32kg on 2 kg
Zane Zhao

All Tackle Championship

Open

Glen Malam	21
Greg Davis	20
Chris Lemmon	18
Kevin Spriggs	16
Chris Head	13
Shane Jasprizza	13

Junior

Justin Mcneice	9
Lilly Mcneice	7
Zachary Zhao	5
Tyson Davis	4
Jackson Guion	2
Macy Walton	2
Jake Borman	2
Connor Davis	2

Soon to Expire Scales

75	Clark, Chris	Rapala Digital	25 kg	9/06/2016
135	Clark, Colin	Rapala	8 kg	9/06/2016
139	Murray, Bruce	Rapala	25 kg	9/06/2016
177	Clark, Chris	Rapala	25 kg	9/06/2016

News & Stories

The 2016 Canberra Carp-Out

by Anthony Heiser



The 2016 Canberra Carp-Out was held on 3 April 2016 at Lennox Gardens and attracted 720 entrants. It was pleasing to see many families fishing together at Lake Burley Griffin. It also highlighted the popularity and importance of recreational fishing to the ACT community, and promoted the use of Lake Burley Griffin.

The event helps raise money for fish stocking in the Canberra lakes and The Cancer Support Group ACT Eden Monaro's Own. A total of 910 noxious fish were weighed in for a total of 1,080 kg which was sent off to Mulloon Creek Natural Farm (between Bungendore and Braidwood) to be turned into organic fertiliser.

The 2016 Canberra Carp-Out was partially funded by the ACT Government's ACT Event Fund and was sponsored or supported by 21 organisations:

- ACT Government (Events ACT)
- Otto's Tackle World Canberra
- Canberra Marine Centre
- Fyshwick Marine and Auto Electrical
- Wetspot Watersports
- Camping World Mitchell
- Road Tech Marine
- The Compleat Angler
- The Cancer Support Group ACT Eden Monaro's Own
- Long Park Meat Co
- Woolworths Belconnen
- Shot Clock Coffee
- First Aid Services
- The Mulloon Institute
- SITA Environmental Solutions
- Capital Chemist
- Capital Region Fishing Alliance
- Staunch R.A.C.E Solutions
- CanPrint Communications Pty Ltd
- Suez
- Go-Hosting

Kids' Fishing Clinic

As part of the 2016 Canberra Carp-Out, Canberra Fisherman's Club ran a **Kids' Fishing Clinic** at Lennox Gardens on Saturday, 2 April 2016, from 2:00 pm - 5:00 pm. The clinic was attended by three junior anglers and their parents and provided information on fishing rules and regulations, safety, and practical tuition on tying knots, rigging lines and casting.

The juniors had a great time and the afternoon concluded with everyone trying their new skills fishing off the banks. All three juniors landed one fish each. Thanks to the Compleat Angler, we presented them with a Junior Rod and Reel combo each for landing fish at the fishing clinic.



Jackson Guion learning how to bait a hook.



Riley Mill learning to cast.



Troy King and his Mum learning to cast.



Jackson Guion reeling in the first fish for the Kid's Fishing Clinic.



Jackson Guion lands the first Carp for the Fishing Clinic.



Troy King lands the second Carp for the clinic.



Thanks to the Compleat Angler, we presented Junior Rod and Reel combos to Riley (he landed a small Redfin Perch), Troy and Jackson for landing fish at the fishing clinic.

The Main Event

Although the event did not officially kick off until 8.30 am, an army of volunteers from the Canberra Fisherman's Club and ACT Eden Monaro Cancer Support Group arrived at Lennox Gardens at 6.30 am to set up the Carp-Out Head Quarters, the Weigh-in Tent, and the registration tent.

Marquees for the Carp-Out Head Quarters and the Weigh-in Tent were hired from Barlens Hire, Toilets were hired from Canberra Hire Pty Ltd, and Action Buses supplied tables and chairs for the volunteers. Mel Marlborough from First Aid Services attended as the First Aid Officer. Volunteers from the ACT Eden Monaro Cancer Support Group ran a sausage sizzle and sold cold drinks at the registration tent.

Jessie Bibby and her team from Shot Clock Espresso provided hot coffee and homemade cookies (the peanut butter and chocolate cookies were a real hit) for the volunteers and anglers.

Lennox Gardens was a popular spot for anglers and, accordingly, the bike path at Lennox Gardens was closed to traffic in accordance with a Traffic Management Plan with Territories and Municipal Services to ensure the safety of both anglers and cyclists. Care Traffic donated their time and resources to set up the road closure under the Traffic Management Plan.



Anglers registering for the Carp-Out at Lennox Gardens.



Left: Kristin O'Neal and Greg Davis assisted 364 participants who waited till the last minute to register for the Canberra Carp-Out. Right: Rose Davis, Karen Malam and Wendie Jones entering new participants into the data base.

Registrations opened at 8.30 am and fishing officially commenced at 9.00 am. In previous years, approximately 20% to 30% of participants register for the Carp-Out on the day. This year, 364 participants (51%) left it to the last minute to register on the day. An army of volunteers assisted the late entrants completed registration forms, collect registration fees and key in registration details into the computer database.

The Weigh-in Station opened at 10.00 am. Fish were required to be humanely dispatched prior to weighing. Volunteers from the Canberra Fisherman's Club inspected all fish before allowing competitors to proceed to the Weigh-in Station.



Left: Anglers lining up to weigh in their fish. Canberra Fisherman's Club volunteers inspected all fish passing the blue marquee in the background to ensure all fish had been humanely dispatched. Right: John Bosch and Mick Peel weighing in fish and entering them into the database at the Weigh-In Tent.

Keying in data on captures was again made easy with the use of bar code scanners to automatically register captures against bar codes on registration cards issued to participants. This allowed data on captures to be automatically recorded, dispensing with the need to manually key them into the computer database.

Once the fish were weighed, they were disposed of in bins provided by the Mulloon Institute and transported to Mulloon Creek Natural Farm (between Bungendore and Braidwood) to be turned into organic fertiliser. Mulloon Creek Natural Farms is a grazing, cropping and carbon building enterprise covering two farms in close proximity to each other on the Mulloon Creek, east of Canberra. Both properties are organic using the biodynamic system of agriculture. Mulloon Creek Natural Farm is a member of Biological Farmers of Australia.



Left: Mel Marlborough from First Aid Services was on hand for any injuries and mishaps. Right: Jessie Bibby and her team from Shot Clock Espresso serving coffee and home made cookies.



Left: Troy King patiently waiting for a bite. Right: Riley Mill throwing berley to entice the Carp.



Fishing finished at 3.00 pm and competitors were given until 3.30 pm to make their way to the registration tent to weigh in their fish and only a couple of anglers missed the 3.30 pm deadline. Unlike the previous year, there were no technical glitches with the computers and presentations commenced on time at 4.00 pm.



Everyone gathered at Lennox Gardens as the presentation of prizes is about to commence.

The presentation commenced with Canberra Fisherman's Club President Chris Head thanking everyone for supporting the event. Chris Head then proceeded with the presentation of the prizes.

After the presentation of prizes concluded at 5.00 pm, Canberra Fisherman's Club volunteers then dismantled the marquees for the Carp-Out Head Quarters and the Weigh-in Tent and ensured that Lennox Gardens was left in a clean condition. Despite the presence of 720 competitors visiting Lennox Gardens during the day, volunteers found surprising little rubbish in the area.

Captures

A total of 910 fish weighing 1,080.20 kg were weighed in on the day. The average weight per fish was 1.19 kg.

	Number	Weight	Smallest	Largest	Average
Redfin Perch	258	25.9	0.01	0.59	0.10
European Carp	652	1054.3	0.1	5.84	1.62
Total	910	1080.2			1.19

The top five captures for adult males, adult females, junior males and junior females were as follows:

Top five adult males

Geonhan	Pork	European Carp	4.83 kg
Ashley	Meek	European Carp	4.44 kg
Thomas	Peel	European Carp	4.35 kg
Massimo	Scipione	European Carp	4.14 kg
Liam	Shelley	European Carp	4.09 kg

Top five adult females

Wendy	Dawes	European Carp	5.84 kg
Danielle	Fraser	European Carp	3.86 kg
Kayla	Clark	European Carp	3.48 kg
Sue	Bond	European Carp	2.74 kg
Irma	Brown	European Carp	2.67 kg

Top five junior boys

Bayden	Davis	European Carp	4.04 kg
Nikolas	Onorato	European Carp	3.39 kg
Nikolas	Onorato	European Carp	2.97 kg
Ryan	Houng	European Carp	2.80 kg
Nikolas	Onorato	European Carp	2.78 kg

Top five junior girls

Scout	Heiman	European Carp	3.31 kg
Denise	Fooks	European Carp	3.02 kg
Chelsea	Kosic	European Carp	2.51 kg
Chelsea	Kosic	European Carp	2.50 kg
Maleeyah	Manthongsy	European Carp	2.49 kg



Dominic Pelle with a 0.89 kg Carp



Simon and Josh Kroon weighing in a 2.63 kg Carp



William Schillani weighs in a 2.85 kg Carp



Peter Kilfoyle from the Canberra Anglers Association weighing in one of 16 Carp he caught at the Carp-Out.



Stacey McLachlan with a 1.58 kg Carp



Andrew Lees weighing in a 1.03 kg Carp



Hayden Tippet-Otterwill with a 2.05 kg Carp and Ella Kilpatrick with best friend Matilda



Angela Wang weighing in Jie Hua's 3.92 kg Carp.



Ryan Mangelsdorf, Connaigh Whitaker, Thomas McInnes weighing in their Redfin.



Toby Rogers reeling in a Carp



Toby Rogers with a 1.75 kg Carp



Jason Green with a 1.56 kg Carp



Trent Davidson reeling in a 46 cm Yellow Belly.



Trent Davidson with a 46 cm Yellow Belly and Bill Whitfield with one of several Redfin in their keeper net



Zhachary Zhao with a 0.43 kg Redfin, which won him the prize for Heaviest Redfin Junior Boy



Craig Young with a cask full of fish and David Penca



Rafael Emslie with a 1.34 kg Carp.



Cooper Newman with a 1.67 kg Carp



Emily Fraser with a small Mirror Carp



Riley Skillen with a 0.23 kg Carp



Bill Whitfield getting ready to weigh in his Redfin



Ian McLeod with a 1.85 kg Carp



Keiran Sullivan with a 1.49 kg Carp

Results

The presentation commenced on time at 4.00 pm and the winners were as follows:

First 17 junior anglers to weigh in fish



The first 17 junior anglers to weigh in fish at the Carp-Out were presented with a junior rod and reel combo sponsored by the The Angler Art Phillip(*Compleat Angler*). Those present (or represented by an older sibling or friend on their behalf) were: (top) Pal Polsomsai; Ode Lekjampee; Remi Lekjampee; Dylan Gavin; Scout Heiman; Maleeyah Manthongsy; Jessica Sommerfield; Bubba Baxter; Dean Subritzky; Alura McDonnell; Rachel Dawes; Kira Dawes and Nathan Higgs; and (bottom) Daniel and Adam Moore.

Hourly Mystery Weight Prize – 9.00 am – 10.00 am



Chris Head presenting a \$50 Otto's Tackle World Canberra Gift Voucher, cap and iFish DVD to **Ode Lekjampee**.

Hourly Mystery Weight Prize – 10.00 am - 11.00 am



Chris Head presenting a \$50 Otto's Tackle World Canberra Gift Voucher, cap and iFish DVD to **Amanda Kyburz**.

Hourly Mystery Weight Prize – 11.00 am 12.00 pm



Chris presenting \$50 *Otto's Tackle World Canberra* Gift Voucher, cap and iFish DVD to Daniel Turner accepting on the behalf of the winner **Ashly Meek**.

Hourly Mystery Weight Prize – 12.00 pm - 1.00 pm



Chris Head presenting a \$50 *Otto's Tackle World Canberra* Gift Voucher, cap and iFish DVD to **Emily Fraser**.

Heaviest Carp Junior Boy



Chris Head presenting a \$50 Rod and Reel Combo together with an iFish DVD and tackle box sponsored by *Otto's Tackle World Canberra* to **Baden Davis** for his 4.04 kg European Carp.

Heaviest Redfin Junior Boy



Chris Head presenting a \$50 Rod and Reel Combo together with an iFish DVD and tackle box sponsored by *Otto's Tackle World Canberra* to **Zachary Zhao** for his 0.43 kg Redfin Perch.

Heaviest Carp Junior Girl



Chris Head presenting a \$50 Rod and Reel Combo together with an iFish DVD and tackle box sponsored by *Otto's Tackle World Canberra* to **Scout Heiman** for her 3.31 kg European Carp.

Heaviest Redfin Junior Girl



Chris presenting a \$50 Rod and Reel Combo together with an iFish DVD and tackle box sponsored by *Otto's Tackle World Canberra* to **Tylisha Campbell's Aunt** for Tylisha's 0.18 kg Redfin Perch.

Heaviest Carp Adult



Chris Head presenting a \$140 Rod and Reel Combo together with an iFish DVD and tackle box sponsored by *Otto's Tackle World Canberra* to **Wendy Dawes** for her 5.84 kg European Carp.

Heaviest Redfin Adult



Chris Head presenting a \$140 Rod and Reel Combo together with an iFish DVD and tackle box sponsored by *Otto's Tackle World Canberra* to **Greg Collins** for his 0.59 kg Redfin Perch.

Mystery Weight Bag of Redfin



Chris Head presenting a \$100 Tackle Box sponsored by Otto's Tackle World Canberra to **Jay Allen** for the Mystery Weight Bag of Redfin.

Team Challenge



Chris Head presents the trophy for the Team Challenge to **Carp Busters**, who weighed in 21.18 kg of Carp.

Winner of the Major Prize: \$5,500 Boat Package

The major prize was the \$5,500 boat package sponsored by the Canberra Fisherman's Club, Canberra Marine Centre and Fyshwick Marine. The winner was determined by mystery weight draw so everyone who weighed in a Carp was eligible to win the prize. The winner was **Les Jones**, whose Carp of 0.89 kg was an exact match for the mystery weight.



Chris Head and Matt from Canberra Marine Centre presents the major prize to **Les Jones**.



In addition, the Canberra Fisherman's Club fish stocking raffle was drawn at the presentation. The winners were not present for the draw and were presented with their prizes afterwards.

1st Prize (\$3600 RRP) - Jessica McCarthy



Hobie Mirage Outback Kayak, trolley, rod holder, life jacket and stand. Supplied by Wetspot Water Sports Fyshwick

2nd Prize (\$1199 RRP) - Joe Scalora



Aria 1 four-person tent featuring the new Aria Air Pole construction. Supplied by Camping World Mitchell

3rd Prize (\$1023 RRP) - David Bermingham



50 litre Powertech Portable Fridge/Freezer with Insulated Fridge Bag
Sponsored by Road Tech Marine, Fyshwick.

Total Length Award species for 2015-16

The Total Length Awards bring on healthy competition from the ranks of the CFC and for 2015-16, the target species are Bream for the Saltwater section and Yellow Belly for the Freshwater. There's still time to get involved and put some points on the board to have a shot at the trophies. Minimum legal lengths apply for fish to be considered eligible for entry.

The target species for the 2015-16 fishing year are:

Bream* in the Saltwater section



Yellow Belly in the Freshwater section



*Includes all Tarwhine and all species of Bream caught in Australian Territorial Waters. Note, this does not include freshwater species such as Bony Bream.

How many metres can you catch?

Thank you to the sponsors of the 2016 Canberra Carp Out!

We thank you for support and for being such a big part of this year's event!



ACT
Government



CANBERRA

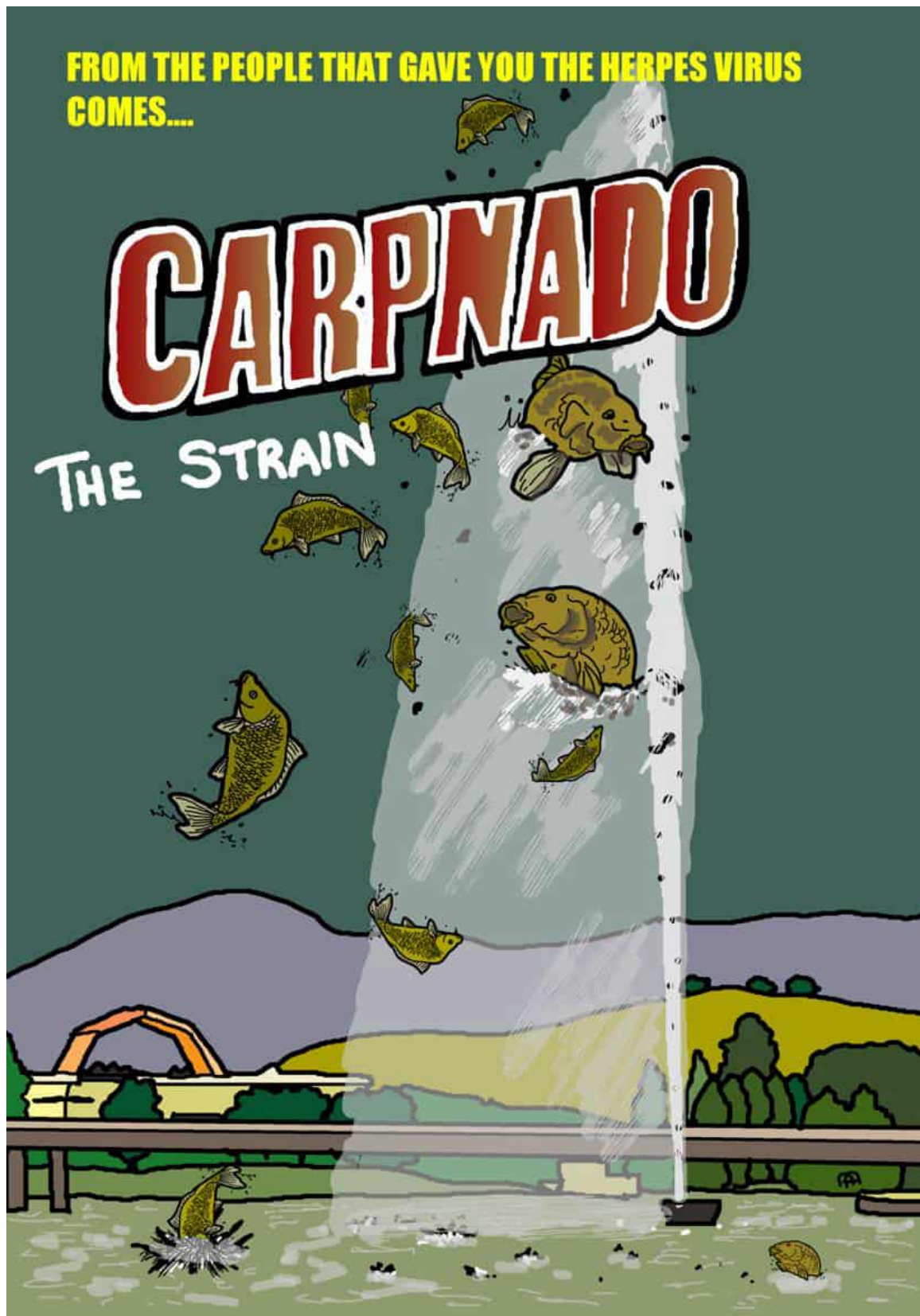


ACT Eden Monaro's own.



Fishin' Submission

This section of the newsletter is available to all CFC members to fill with articles, pictures, recipes, anecdotes or just about anything fishing related. This month we have a remarkably well-timed and fantastic submission from local artist, Michael Ashley. To see more of Michael's work, his website is definitely worth a visit at <http://www.mickashley.com.au>



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From the Editor

Well hasn't it just been a time of transition? The change of season from what felt like a generously extended summer into our standard Canberran chill factor, the change of the fishing calendar from salt to fresh, changes from daylight saving to EST, a change in the event that the committee is going to stress about (Burrinjuck isn't as far away as you think), the unfortunate (for every member bar one) change in the size of the jackpot on offer at the general meeting and of course, the looming change in holders of the CFC spoof trophies for the year... well, that last one not quite yet, it was just my version of a well-placed reminder that it's time to start thinking about putting in some nominations for: The Fanbelt, The Stirrer's Spoon, The Mario Manoeuvre, The Net Award, The Prop, The Where's Wally and... any of the others that I may have conveniently forgotten about.

That was also a little reminder that even though it's getting very close to the end of the '15/'16 CFC fishing calendar, there's still time to record some big (or numerous small) captures to get yourself in the running for some of the more serious trophies that will be on offer at the presentation night. That sadly also means that I'm not too far from failing to hit my seemingly-perpetual New Year's resolution of catching a frickin' board fish. It's starting to turn me into a bit of a bored fisho... I believe it's high time for another Top End trip... Even though the gloves are generally off up in the NT, I'll definitely be bringing the scales this time to have a crack at adding a few northern species to the '16/'17 board... watch this space... or at least the space that generally starts at page '7' of this newsletter.

Speaking of space, and pertinent segues... From discussions heard within the ranks of the Committee, it appears that there will be a few spaces available next year. This means that a few batons will be passed at the next AGM (that incidentally, has moved to **Wednesday August 10**). I can't yet disclose the positions available but that just adds to the excitement of turning up to the AGM... along with the food, double raffle, big lucky door prize and chance to vote on big club issues. With our AGM being not too far away, it's perhaps a good time to start thinking about how you might like to roll up your sleeves and donate a few hours of your time each month over the coming year to contribute to the running of your club. All you need to do to put your hand up for a spot is grab a nomination form - that will be available in next month's newsletter and upcoming general meetings, nominate yourself for a position, have someone second the nomination, submit the form to a current Committee member, turn up to the AGM on **Wednesday August 10** and accept your position in Canberra's best sport fishing club's Committee. It is seriously only a smidgeon away from being that easy! I only say a 'smidgeon' because I don't think I'm allowed to say a 'bee's dick' in this publication.

Speaking of very small colloquial measurements, the winner of this month's photo comp was won by just a whisker I am told, and I can understand why as there were some pretty damn good photos submitted in the March photo comp. It's great to see such a high standard in this competition so please keep sending your fishing photos in for coming month's photo comps. Photos can be submitted directly onto our website or via email. If you have any difficulties with either, let me know and I'll help make it happen.

The rules of the photo comp are really simple:

- Members can submit up to two photos per month
- The photo must either be taken by or be of the member submitting the photo
- No photo shopping or other digital enhancements are allowed

Preferably, photos should be 300 KB to 2 MB in size. Photos greater than 2 MB will need to be compressed if you are attempting to email them. If you're struggling and need help compressing the photos, please contact me or any of the committee members. If you submit your photos directly to the website, you will not have to do any of the above, they will be automatically resized as they upload so this is clearly our preferred method. Don't stress if you can't see your photo on the site straight away, all photos still need a little human intervention to get to the right place with supplied text.

Lastly, if you have some fishing (or fishing related) gear to sell, swap, want to purchase, barter or are giving away because you broke it, please send through the details and I'll put it in the next newsletter. Just email me at editor@canberrafishos.com. Also, if you have anything you think would go great in the 'Fishin' Submission' section, send it through!

Remember: Money can't buy you happiness, but it can be used to buy you some more fishing gear... and that's kind of the same thing.

Catch you next fish,
Dino



March 2016 Photo Competition



Rebecca N – Handkerchief Beach at Narooma.
Left to right is Lemmo, Anthony Rebecca and Chris G



Brian S – Take my lure cost him/her



Brian S – One very unhappy Mako



Anthony H – Wagonga Inlet mullet caught on yabby



Jon V – Mini Marlin Mural
Who: Xtreme Armchair Angler
What: River Gar (not Eastern Sea Gar)
Where: Bermagui
How: Nippers and Soft Plastic Maggots with Scent
(FYI: River Gar can be collected as bait and are therefore subject to different bag limits)



Anthony H – Morning serenity at Wagonga Inlet



Keith S – Black Bream, 42cm & 37.5cm, caught at the 2016 Narooma Convention. Zman Grubs in Motor Oil colour. Photo by Anthony Heiser.



Keith S – First rays reflecting on the Corunna Bridge with the setting moon in the Western sky. Black swans already working the shallows for their daily sustenance.



Jon V – Single Lane Bridge

Who: Xtreme Armchair Angler

Where: Bermagui

(FYI: On all one-way bridges along the South Coast of NSW, Southbound Traffic always gives way to Northbound)



Every month, there can only be one winner and due to the standard of the competition this month, the winner was separated by just a 'tad'. This month prize was won by this classic fishing pic taken by Anthony Heiser of 'Keith S – Black Bream, 42cm & 37.5cm, caught at the 2016 Narooma Convention. Zman Grubs in Motor Oil colour.'. Nice fish, nice pic and nice prize. What more can I say? Nice one!

As always, a huge thank you goes out to our major sponsor, Otto's Tackle World Canberra.



Thank you to everyone at OTWC, not only for keeping this photo competition alive and for the ongoing support extended to the Canberra Fisherman's Club but most importantly, for continually stocking such a great range of gear and always being happy to extend some of the best fishing advice available in Canberra.

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<i>Outing Date</i>	<i>Outing</i>	<i>Monthly Meetings</i>
7th – 8th May	Kalkite	10th
11th – 13th June	Narooma	14th
2nd – 3rd July	Ulladulla	12th
August	Turn up	9th
September	to the	13th
October	next CFC	11th
November	general meeting	8th
December	for your	13th
January 2017	chance to	10th
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