

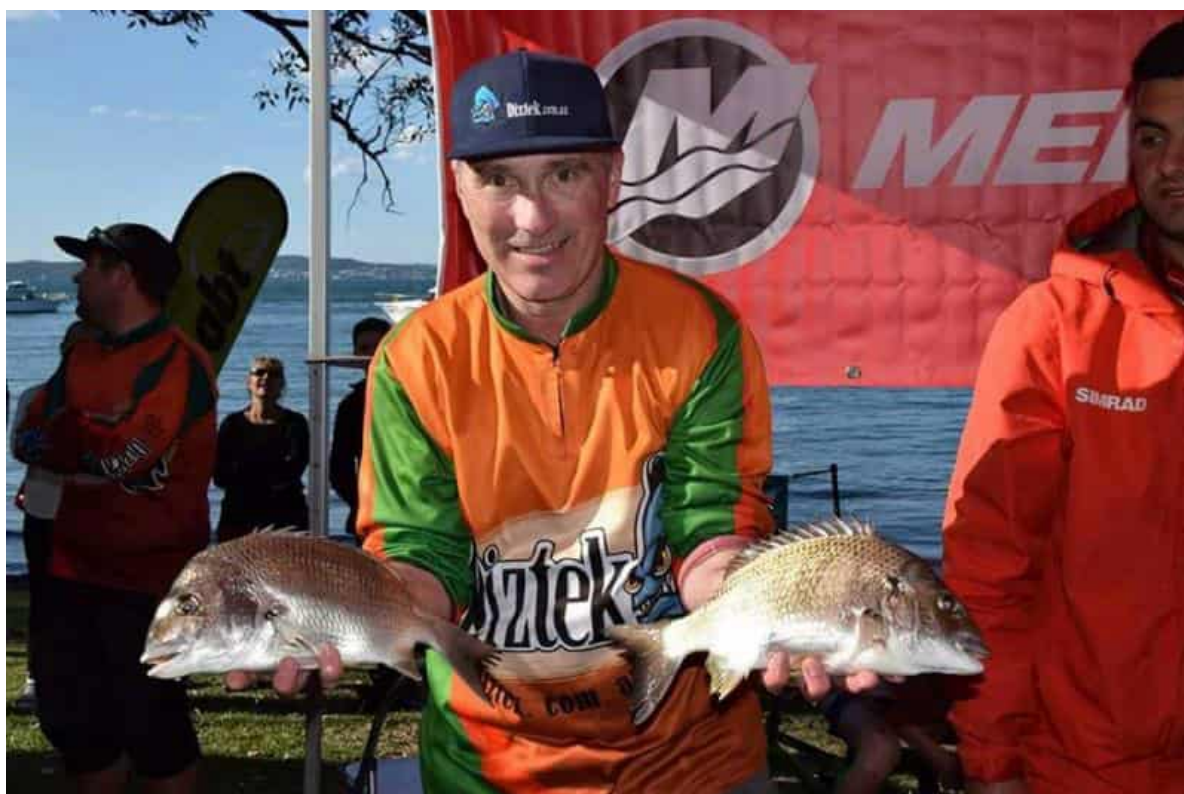


# Newsletter

## Volume 22 Issue 2

## September 2018

**Winner of the August photo competition**



**Chris Head: 1.87 kg of Lake Macquarie Bream**

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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 6:30 pm. 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.
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# President's Report

Hi everyone,

Firstly, congratulations to all award winners at the 2017-18 CFC Presentation Night – it was a great night and a great atmosphere. I'd particularly like to congratulate our Club Champion Steve Bailey for all his fine captures last year. I know there are a few members that are planning to give Steve plenty of competition this year!

The new committee met briefly after the September general meeting to decide on the following important club roles:

Recorder and Tagging Officer	John Bosch
Editor	Karen Malam
Web Master	John Bosch
Facebook Administrator	Glen Malam
Property Officer	Mick Jewry
Outing Liaison Officer	Mel Marlborough
Safety Officer	Chris Lemmon
Activities Officer	Glen Malam
Burrinjuck Chair	Sarah Borman
Burrinjuck Sponsorship Officer	Mick Jewry

Please give these volunteers your support....and keep the capture forms rolling in to the new club Recorder.

Two of the first decisions of the new committee has been to firstly, start our general meetings earlier (and finish them earlier) to make it easier for families to attend when the kids have school the next day. The other decision was to look at alternative locations to hold our meetings - you have probably noticed that our meetings at Eastlakes have been cancelled/postponed a few times recently to make way for other (paying) bookings. We hope to have an alternative location soon, but in the meantime our next meeting will be held at Eastlakes, but on Thursday, 11 October at 6:30pm (our regular Tuesday slot has been cancelled again).

Looking to the fishing scene, we have had a couple of great outings since the last newsletter. The Kalkite outing saw just about all beds in the big Highland Lodge house full and almost everyone catching fish. I was stoked to get the "Jindabyne grand-slam" (all four species – brown, rainbow and brook trout, plus an atlantic salmon). It was great to see members sharing what lures and colours the fish were taking, and to see Chris Lemmon's large brown trout (see the recorder's report, below).

Last weekend's outing to Talbingo had fewer people attending, but was heaps of fun nonetheless. As was often the case back when the Wagga Club hosted the Talbingo Convention, all the fish were caught from the bank in Jounama Pondage. The big difference this time was that the fish were all golden perch instead of trout – apparently, Jounama was stocked a few years ago. Congratulations to Zane Zhao for his two 2kg+ goldens!

Looking forward, the Club hosts the annual Burrinjuck Convention on the first weekend in

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November. Your committee (particularly Sarah Borman and Mick Jewry) has been working hard behind the scenes preparing for the event and it is all coming together nicely. We will circulate the shifts rosters again at the October meeting. If you can, please put your name down for at least one shift and even better, come down on the Friday morning to help set up (there's free accommodation for members that help out). It's actually heaps of fun and a good opportunity to catch up with fellow anglers from across NSW ... as well as helping to raise funds to keep the Club afloat!

I hope you can make it to Burrinjuck and join us at one of the upcoming meetings.

Keep safe on the water,

Glen



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# Recorder's Report

G'day all,

Between the previous recorder and I being busy with work it has taken us a little while to get this year's recorder's database up and running but we're finally there. I spent this weekend getting all the captures for the year entered and can finally provide you with the current standings in the club's competitions.

My goals as recorder for this year are to;

- Get some of the species information in order as we have a few cases where a species has two common names and is in the database twice (Banjo and Fiddler Rays being an example). That may mean a few masters change the species name, but as far as I can tell that will be the only affect for now.
- Implement length-based species masters tracking in the database. This category involves an angler submitting 10 trophy length captures of the same species. I have capture records dating back to the start of the 2011-12 year, and master's records dating back far farther, so a few members should be well on there way in some species.
- Try and encourage more participation in the ANSA 12-month competition and the local club competitions. I'm not entirely sure how I am going to do this one yet, but I am thinking about it.

For starters on the third point the ANSA competition standings are available on line [here](#) if you are interested. There are many divisions that have no captures recorded so far, including several length-only divisions, so get out there and fish (and record your captures)!

I will also be compiling a list of expired, but still apparently active, scales for next month's newsletter. If your scales are expired and you intend fishing line class make sure you get them to me for testing.

That's it from me for another month. Keep those capture forms rolling in!

John.

Recorder





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# Club Championship

## Open

Brian Stacy	280	<i>(less than 2 outings attended)</i>
Glen Malam	122	
Zane Zhao	114	<i>(less than 2 outings attended)</i>
Steve Bailey	89	
Chris Lemmon	77	

## Ladies

## Junior

## Land Based

Brian Stacy	280	<i>(less than 2 outings attended)</i>
Zane Zhao	114	<i>(less than 2 outings attended)</i>
Steve Bailey	89	

## Fresh Water

Glen Malam	122	
Zane Zhao	114	<i>(less than 2 outings attended)</i>
Chris Lemmon	77	

## Salt Water

Steve Bailey	89
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## Most Versatile Angler

Zane Zhao	2	<i>(less than 3 sections entered)</i>
Brian Stacy	2	<i>(less than 3 sections entered)</i>
Steve Bailey	1	<i>(less than 3 sections entered)</i>
Glen Malam	1	<i>(less than 3 sections entered)</i>
Chris Lemmon	1	<i>(less than 3 sections entered)</i>

## Salt Water Length *(Bartailed Flathead, Dusky Flathead, Eastern Blue-spotted Flathead, Sand Flathead)*

John Bosch	860
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## Fresh Water Length *(European Carp)*

Anthony Heiser	1,005
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## Tagging Award

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## Board Fish - Weight

<b>Australian Salmon</b>	0.74 kg	Steve Bailey
<b>Banjo Ray</b>	5.60 kg	Brian Stacy
<b>Brook Trout</b>	0.81 kg	Glen Malam
<b>Brown Trout</b>	2.31 kg	Chris Lemmon
<b>Common Shovelnosed</b>	2.80 kg	Brian Stacy
<b>Golden Perch</b>	2.27 kg	Zane Zhao
<b>Rainbow Trout</b>	0.50 kg	Glen Malam

## Board Fish - Length

<b>Atlantic Salmon</b>	340 mm	Glen Malam
<b>Brook Trout</b>	410 mm	Glen Malam
<b>Brown Trout</b>	610 mm	Chris Lemmon
<b>Dusky Flathead</b>	440 mm	John Bosch
<b>Eel Tailed Catfish</b>	550 mm	Anthony Heiser
<b>European Carp</b>	545 mm	Anthony Heiser
<b>Golden Perch</b>	500 mm	Zane Zhao
<b>Rainbow Trout</b>	380 mm	Steve Bailey

## Best Fish Fresh Water

**Golden Perch**  
2.27kg on 2 kg  
Zane Zhao

## Beach

**Australian Salmon**  
0.74kg on 1 kg  
Steve Bailey

# All Tackle Championship

## Open

Glen Malam	13
Steve Bailey	8
Karen Malam	4
Chris Lemmon	4
Jason Rogers	3
Zane Zhao	3
Anthony Heiser	3
Andrew Butt	3

## Junior

Jake Butt	1
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## Soon to Expire Scales

91	Lemmon, Chris	CIL Digital	10 kg	10/10/2018
129	Stacy, Brian	Rapala	25 kg	1/11/2018
183	Tate, Narelle	Rapala	25 kg	21/11/2018


**When giving me scales to test please provide a new battery with them as well. Your scales have a better chance of passing if the battery is fresh, and it's worth replacing it once a year anyway!**



## CANBERRA FISHERMAN'S CLUB - CAPTURE FORM

DIVISION: 1 = Sportfishing, 2 = Lurecasting, 3 = Flycasting, 4 = Gamefishing, 5 = Handline, 6 = Landbased Gamefishing, 7 = All Tackle


SECTION: BW = Bluewater, FW = Freshwater, BCH = Beach, RCKS = Rocks, EST = Estuary



SPECIES	WEIGHT KG	LENGTH MM	LINE CLASS	PRE TEST Y/N	LOCATION	DATE	LAND BASED	DIVISION	SECTION	POINTS

CERTIFICATION OF WEIGHING: I ..... Declare that I witnessed the weighing of these captures on certified scales# ..... DATE: / / SIGNED: .....


CERTIFICATION BY ANGLER: I ..... Declare that I Captured these fish in accordance with the rules of ANSA. DATE: / / SIGNED: .....



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## ANSA N.S.W 12 MONTH COMPETITION ENTRY FORM

Date Received by State Recorder: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_



Angler: ..... Club: .....

ANSA No: ..... DOB (jnr & sub-jnr): ..... Phone: .....

### **Weight Captures:**

Was Pre-Test or Factory Pre-Test line used in these captures (circle) **Yes / No**

If Pre-Test or Factory Pre-Test line **was not used** in the captures, a 5 metre line sample must be provided with this entry form.

Species	Capture Date	Capture Location	Weight	Line Class	Division 1-15

### **Tag & Release:**

Species	Capture Date	Capture Location	Tag Number

### **Length Captures:**

Species	Capture Date	Capture Location	Division 17-25	Length (mm)

### **ANGLERS DECLARATION**

I \_\_\_\_\_, declare that this capture was made by me, and weighed or measured on an appropriate device, in accordance with ANSA rules.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

### **WITNESS TO WEIGHT / MEASUREMENT**

I \_\_\_\_\_, certify that I witnessed the weighing or measuring of the capture.

### **CLUB RECORDER**

I \_\_\_\_\_, declare that the captures listed above have been authenticated in accordance with ANSA rules.

### **Notes for LENGTH captures:**

1. Fish to be measured length overall i.e.: end of tail to the leading edge of the jaw, fish laying flat and tail in a natural position.
2. If no witness to length only measurement, a photo of capture on an appropriate measuring device must be submitted.
3. Preferably all claims should be accompanied by a photo of the fish on the appropriate measuring device. Video is acceptable.
4. One entry, per division, per angler, per year across divisions, upgrading of fish is acceptable.

### **Eligible Divisions for 12-Month Comp:**

- |  |                              |                                       |
|--|------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| 1. Land Based <b>Game</b> Species (Sport / Gamefishing capture method)       | 9. Flyfishing Freshwater     | 17. Length Only Carp (All)            |
| 2. Land Based <b>Non - Game</b> Species (Sport / Gamefishing capture method) | 10. Gamefishing              | 18. Length Only Trout (All)           |
| 3. Sportfishing in Saltwater Estuaries & Saltwater Lakes                     | 11. Handline                 | 19. Length Only Bass (Australian)     |
| 4. Sportfishing from a Boat (outside)  | 12. Capture by a Lady        | 20. Length Only Bream (All)           |
| 5. Sportfishing Freshwater   | 13. Capture by a Junior Boy  | 21. Length Only Flathead (All)        |
| 6. Lurefishing Saltwater   | 14. Capture by a Junior Girl | 22. Length Only Salmon (Australian)   |
| 7. Lurefishing Freshwater  | 15. Capture by a Sub-Junior  | 23. Length Only Kingfish (Yellowtail) |
| 8. Flyfishing Saltwater  | 16. Tag & Release            | 24. Length Only Snapper               |
|  |                              | 25. Length Only Mulloway              |

### **General Notes:**

1. Each fish submitted may only be entered in **one** of the eligible divisions 1-25 above.
2. Fish submitted for Weight Captures, cannot be submitted for Length Captures and vice versa
3. To be eligible all 12 month competition entry forms must be with the state recorder within 35 days from date of capture

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## ANSA NSW 12-Month Competition - Current Standings as at 03/09/2018

ANGLERS NAME	CLUB	SPECIES	MASS	LINE	POINTS
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### DIVISION 1: Landbased - Game Species

1 VACANT	NO CLUB		0.000	0	0.000
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### DIVISION 2: Landbased - Non-Game Species

1 Matthew Manson	Sth Sydney Amateur Fishing	ROCK BLACKFISH	1.600	2	120.000
2 Matthew Manson	Sth Sydney Amateur Fishing	ROCK BLACKFISH	1.540	2	115.500

### DIVISION 3: Sportfishing - Saltwater Lakes and Estuaries

1 VACANT	NO CLUB		0.000	0	0.000
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### DIVISION 4: Sportfishing - From a Boat (Outside)

1 VACANT	NO CLUB		0.000	0	0.000
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### DIVISION 5: Sportfishing - Freshwater

1 VACANT	NO CLUB		0.000	0	0.000
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### DIVISION 6: Lure Fishing - Saltwater

1 VACANT	NO CLUB		0.000	0	0.000
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### DIVISION 7: Lurecasting - Freshwater

1 VACANT	NO CLUB		0.000	0	0.000
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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

1 VACANT	NO CLUB		0.000	0	0.000
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### DIVISION 10: Gamefishing

1 Michael Sciberras	Sth Sydney Amateur Fishing	TUNA - SOUTHERN BL	86.000	24	537.500
2 Marcus Sterianos	Sth Sydney Amateur Fishing	TUNA - SOUTHERN BL	65.000	24	406.250
3 Darcy Sciberras	Sth Sydney Amateur Fishing	TUNA - SOUTHERN BL	43.000	24	268.750

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**ANSA NSW 12-Month Competition - Current Standings as at 05/09/2018**

ANGLERS NAME	CLUB	SPECIES	MASS	LINE	POINTS
<b>DIVISION 11: Handline</b>					
1 VACANT	NO CLUB		0.000	0	0.000
<b>DIVISION 12: Capture by a Lady</b>					
1 Chelsea Rutstein	Sth Sydney Amateur Fishing	TUNA - SOUTHERN BL	71.000	24	443.750
<b>DIVISION 13: Capture by a Junior Boy</b>					
1 VACANT	NO CLUB		0.000	0	0.000
<b>DIVISION 14: Capture by a Junior Girl</b>					
1 VACANT	NO CLUB		0.000	0	0.000
<b>DIVISION 15: Capture by a Sub-Junior</b>					
1 VACANT	NO CLUB		0.000	0	0.000
<b>DIVISION 16: Tag and Release</b>					
1 VACANT	NO CLUB				0
<b>DIVISION 17: Length Only - Carp</b>					
1 VACANT	NO CLUB	CARP			0.000
<b>DIVISION 18: Length Only - Trout (All)</b>					
1 Stan Konstantaras	Sth Sydney Amateur Fishing Asso	TROUT			630.000
2 Anthony Heiser	Canberra Fisherman's Club	TROUT - BROWN			600.000
<b>DIVISION 19: Length Only - Australian Bass</b>					
1 VACANT	NO CLUB	BASS			0.000
<b>DIVISION 20: Length Only - Bream (All)</b>					
1 VACANT	NO CLUB	BREAM			0.000
<b>DIVISION 21: Length Only - Flathead (All)</b>					
1 VACANT	NO CLUB	FLATHEAD			0.000

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## ANSA NSW 12-Month Competition - Current Standings as at 03/09/2018

ANGLERS NAME	CLUB	SPECIES	MASS LINE	POINTS
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### DIVISION 22: Length Only - Australian Salmon

1 Peter Logan	St George Sportfishing Club	SALMON		680.000
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### DIVISION 23: Length Only - Kingfish

1 VACANT	NO CLUB	KINGFISH		0.000
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### DIVISION 24: Length Only - Snapper

1 Stan Konstantaras	Sth Sydney Amateur Fishing Asso	SNAPPER		840.000
2 Mark McGrath	Sth Sydney Amateur Fishing Asso	SNAPPER		830.000
3 Nick Malliotakis	Sth Sydney Amateur Fishing Asso	SNAPPER		810.000

### DIVISION 25: Length Only - Mulloway

1 VACANT	NO CLUB	MULLOWAY		0.000
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### DIVISION 26: Most Versatile Angler

ANGLERS NAME	CLUB	POINTS
Michael Sciberras	Sth Sydney Amateur Fishing Assoc	5
Marcus Sterianos	Sth Sydney Amateur Fishing Assoc	5
Darcy Sciberras	Sth Sydney Amateur Fishing Assoc	5
Chelsea Rutstein	Sth Sydney Amateur Fishing Assoc	5
Anthony Scalici	Sth Sydney Amateur Fishing Assoc	4

### DIVISION 27: Champion Club

CLUB	POINTS
Sth Sydney Amateur Fishing Assoc	23
St George Sportfishing Club	3
Canberra Fisherman's Club	2

# Fishing news and competitions

## The ANSA NSW 2018 Calendar



### ANSA NSW Calendar 2018

Issue 2, 6<sup>th</sup> November 2017. Note that contact details for each convention are subject to change without notice.

<b>January</b>	Happy New Year	<b>July</b>	
<b>February</b>	16/17/18 - <b>Nowra Convention</b> Hosted by Nowra Sportfishing Club Contact: Faye Hanson: Tel: 0244439748 Mob: 0410 422 263 E-Mail: <a href="mailto:secretarynowrasfc@gmail.com">secretarynowrasfc@gmail.com</a>	<b>August</b>	
<b>March</b>	9/10/11 - <b>Narooma Convention</b> Hosted by Narooma Sport & Gamefishing Club Contact: Les Waldock Mob: 0411 392 608  23/24/25 - <b>Sydney Sportfishing Tournament</b> Hosted by South Sydney Amateur Fishing Association & St George Sportfishing Club Contact: Tony Steiner Mob: 0412 611 778	<b>September</b>	1 Sep <b>ANSA NSW AGM, Delegates' Meeting &amp; Presentation</b>  14/15/16 - <b>Glenbawn Convention</b> Hosted by Newcastle Sportfishing Club Contact: Greg McFarlane Mob: 0435 222 861 Eddie Sitarz Mob: 0428 294 176
<b>April</b>	1 April - Happy Easter Sunday  13/14/15 April - <b>South Coast Convention</b> Hosted by Euro Fishing Association Adam Martin Email: <a href="mailto:makitaman82@hotmail.com">makitaman82@hotmail.com</a>	<b>October</b>	
<b>May</b>	25/26/27 May - <b>Lake Lyell Convention</b> Hosted by Sea Bees Boating Club Contact: Rob Sinclair Mob: 0487017018 Email: <a href="mailto:sydneyseabees@gmail.com">sydneyseabees@gmail.com</a>	<b>November</b>	2/3/4 Nov- <b>Burrinjuck Convention</b> Hosted by Canberra Fisherman's Club Contact: Canberra FC <a href="mailto:info@canberrafishos.com">info@canberrafishos.com</a>
<b>June</b>		<b>December</b>	Merry Christmas




## 2018 ANSA Burrinjuck Convention: 2-4 November 2018

# Fishing Tournament


## 2018 ANSA Burrinjuck Convention

2<sup>nd</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup> November 2018


Burrinjuck Waters State Park




A photograph of three people—a woman, a man, and a boy—each holding a large fish. They are standing in front of a body of water with hills in the background.



A photograph of a person in a white kayak on a body of water, holding a fishing rod.



CANBERRA FISHERMAN'S CLUB Inc.



Australian National Sportfishing Association

**Trophies – Prizes – Raffles**  
**Entry fee includes meals**

To register, visit [www.canberrafishos.com](http://www.canberrafishos.com) or call 0439 601 097 or email [info@canberrafishos.com](mailto:info@canberrafishos.com) for more information

# Dart Dam Trout Trolling Tournament: 19-21 October 2018



## Dart Dam Trout Trolling Tournament 19th, 20th & 21st October 2018

Dart Dam Trout Trolling Tournament – Fundraiser Dartmouth CFA and Community

Registrations close on 30<sup>th</sup> September 2018  
All registrations received and paid for by 31<sup>st</sup> August 2018  
will have the chance to win the Early Bird Registration Prize  
Being of a refund of the entry fee [ \$65 ]

plus 3 nights accommodation for 4 persons at 3 Tokes Cres, Dartmouth.  
Total Value \$600 [some conditions do apply]

Commencing 12 noon Friday 19<sup>th</sup> October – Ending 12 noon Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> October 2018

Cost \$65 per person includes entry fee and Saturday night meal at the Dart Pub.  
Friday night BBQ [in Dart Pub Dining room] at a cost of \$10 per head available  
but needs to be booked and paid for with entry fee.

Dartmouth CFA will have a sausage sizzle at final weigh in on Sunday.

**Prizes** – No prizes for Friday night but catch can be combined with Saturday for weigh in.

All weighed in fish to be Gilled and Gutted. Minimum length 35cm

Participants can only win one prize each day.

Weigh In only at Dart Pub between 4 - 6pm on Saturday and 11 - 12 noon Sunday.

**Saturday** - Lucky Draw prize. All participants names will go into the hat for this prize. No fish required.

**Entered Trout**

1st -Biggest Brown Trout – by weight
2nd Runner Up Brown Trout—by weight
1st-Biggest Rainbow Trout – by weight
2nd - Runner Up Rainbow Trout—by weight

Plus -Heaviest bag of 3 Trout (not including above Trout)

Saturday night will be entertaining for all with raffles, games and frivolity.

**Sunday**

1st – Prize -the heaviest trout.
2nd - Runner Up Prize—the heaviest Trout

Plus longest Trout from comp Days - Photo - Catch & Release

Call Ron 0409148690 to find out more.

**Register at [www.dartmouth.net.au](http://www.dartmouth.net.au)**



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## News & Stories

### Fishing the ANSA Glenbawn Convention

by Anthony Heiser



Dave Clarke with a nice Bass caught on the troll at Glenbawn Dam

A little over 550 km away from Canberra, off the New England Highway just beyond the hustle and bustle of greater Sydney, lies Glenbawn Dam. It's a long drive but, as I discovered, Glenbawn Dam is truly a wonderful fishing spot with plenty to offer. It is there that, each September since 2002, the Newcastle Sportsfishing Club hosts the very first ANSA Convention of the fishing year.

The Glenbawn Convention is length-based catch and release comp for Australian Bass, Golden Perch, Silver Perch, Eel-tailed Catfish, and European Carp. This year's Convention was held on 14-16 September 2018 and was attended by over 100 anglers from 11 ANSA Clubs.

Fishing a new spot is always daunting so I prepared myself by reading up on the last time our members fished the Glenbawn Convention (see the [September 2011 Newsletter](#)), purchased the AFN's fishing map for NSW Central Lakes (AFN Fishing Map 11), and searched the web. However, I was most fortunate to meet Dave Clarke from Canberra, who was staying in the cabin next door. It was also his first visit to Glenbawn and he offered me a spot on his boat.

We launched Dave's boat at the Eastern Foreshore and motored about two thirds up the dam. Dave regularly chases Bass in the Clarence River and nearby dams, so he was pretty confident with picking out some good spots.

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The first few spots we tried was among sunken trees about 5-12 metres deep. There, we cast our lures to the trees, let it hit the bottom, and then wind in. Dave commented on how clear the water was – visibility was down to five metres. Our lurecasting session produced no fish, so we decided to troll hard bodies.



Dave flicking a vibe into the timbers. The water was so clear, with visibility down to five metres.

During our trolling run, Dave spotted a few Pelicans cruising between the banks and a solitary tree sticking out of the water. Dave boldly declared 'where there's Pelicans, there's fish' and proceed to steer the boat towards the tree and Pelicans.

The depth dropped to four metres as we passed between the bank and that solitary tree. As Dave's lure started bouncing the bottom, it got smashed by a Bass. After taking a few photos of Dave and his Bass, we did a few more passes between the tree and the bank. However, it was then time for us to return to the boat ramp.

Back on shore, I decided to drown worms on a secluded bank dotted with sunken trees. By then, the wind had picked up and was blowing directly onto the bank, stirring up the water.

I hooked up on a few Carp, each one aimed for the branches of a tree just off the bank. After losing the fourth fish, I gave the tree some extreme pruning. This might have put the fish off the bite, so I returned back to my cabin with donuts for day 1 of the Convention.

The next morning, I returned to that spot, only the conditions were even windier, with gusts reaching up to 20 knots. The fish did not come on the bite until 11 am and my extreme pruning the day before paid off with a 546 mm Carp.

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'Where there's Pelicans, there's fish'.



My first capture for the Convention. Thanks to my 'gardening' efforts the day before, this Carp was unable to snag me on the sunken tree near the bank.

As sunset approached, the wind dropped off and so did the bites. I did manage to extract a 460 mm Carp out of the bay. But considering the monsters I had hooked earlier, it felt like I stalked the jungle for a lion and came home with a kitten.

I later hooked up to an even bigger Carp which busted me off after it found a new tree to aim for. My next capture was a turtle so I decided it was time to retire for lunch.

After lunch, the wind was gusting up to 30 knots. Casting directly among sunken trees was asking for trouble. So I fished a little bay near the boat ramp. This location was still windy, but the bay offered some protection and it appeared to be free of snags.

The new spot paid dividends... almost. Immediately, I was hooking up to some large but unseen Carp. Each hook up with filled me with adrenaline and excitement, quickly followed by frustration as each Carp discovered submerged rocks or tree stumps on which to shred my braid.



ANSA NSW President Stan Konstantaras and ANSA NSW Secretary Joe Garufi cooking Lamb Souvlaki served with home made pita bread at the Scone Fishing Club House. Photo by Lachlan Quinn (Botany Bay Sportsfishing Club).



Hamish Stolk with the winning Carp for the Convention. Photo by Chris Stolk & Greg Oates.

Stan Konstantaras and Joe Garufi hosted a BBQ dinner at the Scone Fishing Club House. Dinner was Lamb Souvlaki and home-made pita bread. It was a very tasty dinner and it was a great opportunity to catch up with familiar faces like Fay and Ron Hanson from Nowra, Chris Stolk from Wollongong, and Barry Mainsbridge and Jenny from Sea Bees Fishing Club as well as making new acquaintances like Eddie Sitarz from Newcastle Sportsfishing Club.

Everyone agreed at the BBQ that fishing was a little tough. Despite the strong winds, some anglers did well, like junior angler Hamish Stolk from Wollongong Sportsfishing Club. He landed some monster Carp and Catfish off the bank. Others travelled upstream of the dam to find Bass in warmer waters.

On the last morning of the Convention, the wind was still blowing but only at 10-15 knots. But it now came with frosty bite to it. I returned to the little bay near the boat ramp where I had been tormented by monster Carp. Learning from my bitter experience the day before, I switched the braid for heavier mono. And from 7 am, I waited... and waited... and waited.

Finally, the bells went off at 9.35 am. The fish fought differently to the Carp I hooked yesterday, and it turned out to be a 530 mm Catfish. Another Catfish came by at 10.05

am, this time 560 mm. I had another bite at 10.15 am but the hook did not set and I dropped the fish. After that, the fish promptly went off the bite.

However, I spotted a Bass swimming by the bank in front of my feet – I was able to scoop it up with the landing net and get a few selfies. At least I could return home saying I had caught a Bass, albeit not entirely within the spirit of ANSA Rules!

Fishing ended at 11 am and following the raffles, the presentation got underway. Needless to say, none of my fish were winners. Hamish Stolk claimed the trophies for Longest Carp, and Highest Point Scoring Junior Angler. I lost count of the number of trophies claimed by anglers from Outcasts Fishing Club, so it was no surprise that they also claimed the Trophy for Champion Club. They also won Champion Club at the Lake Lyell Convention, and I invited them to attempt a hat trick at Burrinjuck.



My last fish (and longest) for the Convention – 560 mm Catfish.

Just as the BBQ and presentation finished, the wind died and we had a glass-out on the lake. What a pity I didn't stay an extra night. While this is a lake that favours the boaties, I was encouraged to hear Chris Stolk and his two boys were able to land some nice Bass and Golden Perch off the bank near their campsite (in addition to Hamish's winning Carp).

Finally, congratulations to the Newcastle Sportsfishing Club for hosting a fantastic convention. If I can get the day off work in September next year, I will be back.





A selfie with a Bass I spotted swimming by the bank. Unfortunately, this was not caught in accordance with ANSA Rules and I could not submit this capture for the Convention.



Sunset over Glenbawn Dam.

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## Total Length Award species for 2018-19

The Total Length Awards bring on healthy competition from the ranks of the CFC and for 2018-19, the target species are Flathead for the Saltwater section and European Carp. The new target species applies from 1 July 2018.

**The target species for the 2018-19 fishing year are:**

Saltwater section: Flathead



Freshwater section: European Carp



**How many metres can you catch?**

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## August 2018 Photo Competition

Following Phil Lawrence's suggestion at the December general meeting, the Committee has agreed to trial the following rules for the next 12 months:

- Members can submit up to two photos per month
- The photo must either be taken by the member submitting the photo or a photo of the member holding their capture
- Minor image corrections and cropping is allowed provided this does not lead to misleading or fraudulent alteration or manipulation of the photo
- The Committee reserves the right to exclude any entries it suspects has been subject to misleading or fraudulent alteration or manipulation (e.g. changing the colour of a bucket of blood from red to black – yes someone has submitted such a photo).



Chris Head: 1.87 kg of Lake Macquarie Bream



Anthony Heiser: PB Brown Trout - 60 cm 1.7 kg on Fly at Tantangara



Anthony Heiser: 60 cm Tantangara Brown on Fly



Jon Vogel: Torres Strait Herring on Fly (FNQ)



Jon Vogel: Blue Salmon on Fly (FNQ)

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



Thank you to everyone at OTWC for supporting this photo competition. More than that, thank you OTWC for the ongoing support extended to the Canberra Fisherman's Club throughout the fishing year. Not to mention, thank you for continually stocking such a great range of gear and always being happy to extend some of the best fishing advice available in Canberra.

## 2018-2019 Club Outings & Meeting Calendar

Outing Date	Outing	Monthly Meetings
<b>29<sup>th</sup> Sept – 1<sup>st</sup> October</b>	Talbingo	<b>9<sup>th</sup></b>
<b>14<sup>th</sup> October</b>	National Gone Fishing Day (Garan Scout Group Fishing Clinic)	
<b>2<sup>nd</sup>-4<sup>th</sup> November</b>	Burrinjuck	<b>13<sup>th</sup></b>
<b>1<sup>st</sup>-2<sup>nd</sup> December</b>	Burrinjuck	<b>11<sup>th</sup></b>
<b>13<sup>th</sup> January</b>	Carpathon	<b>15<sup>th</sup></b>
<b>26<sup>th</sup>-28<sup>th</sup> January</b>	Tuross	
<b>February (TBA)</b>	ANSA Nowra Convention	<b>12<sup>th</sup></b>
<b>8<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup> March</b>	ANSA Narooma Convention	<b>12<sup>th</sup></b>
<b>13<sup>th</sup>-14<sup>th</sup> April</b>	South Coast Mighty Bonanza	<b>9<sup>th</sup></b>
<b>18<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup> May</b>	Tathra and Brogo	<b>14<sup>th</sup></b>
<b>8<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup> June</b>	Narooma	<b>11<sup>th</sup></b>
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