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Thank you all.

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Dry Casting food and drinks

The dry casting sausage sizzle will be available AFTER the main dry casting events have been run, so please try to keep the dry casting moving along. Cool drinks will be available during the day.

Drinks are \$1.50 each. Sausage and onion in a bread roll \$2.50 each.

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Presentation night 2014

The Woodvale Tavern will be booked for Saturday 21 June 2014, 6:30pm.

Please put this date in your diary NOW, and keep this night free of other engagements or other things to do, so you can come to the Presentation night.

Please consider making donations towards our Presentation night and prizes for winners of our fishing and dry casting competitions.

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Night cast 2014

Saturday 22 February, 6pm, George and Kaye Holman's. BYO everything including chairs. Start time 6pm, not before. More details on page 20 of January Reel Talk.



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George Holman

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Note 4. The Immediate Past President (IPP) is a consequential fact. It is not a Committee position elected by the members or filled by Committee resolution, as are all other Committee positions and functions.

Life Members of the Club

Jim Strong, George Holman, Ric Parker, Ian Cook, Bob Henderson, Terry Fuller.

Deceased life members:- Vic Davis, Doug Edward, Lloyd Dunn, Dudley Brown, Noel Knight, Les Shand, Ron Kildahl, Bob Klein.

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Presentation night 2014

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Social Organiser, Pat McKeown

Bring a friend to a Club activity

Please bring a friend, a relative, a workmate, neighbour or an acquaintance to a General meeting, to Dry Casting or to a Club fishing Field day. Let them know what the Club does, and let them find out for themselves some of the benefits of being a club member, particularly getting all those fishing and casting tips from experienced club members.

Show them your copy of Reel Talk and let them know there is a lot more about the club on the Club website <http://www.surfcasters.iinet.net.au/>

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Minutes of General Meeting 11 December 2013

Venue Coolbinia West Perth Amateur Football and Sporting Club room.
Commenced 8:01pm. President George Homan presiding.

Present 26 members, 1 prospective member, 2 visitors.

Apologies Eddie Korin, Debbie Korin, Melvin Wee, Bev Grigo, Dave Maxted, Allan Jones, Bob Henderson, Ken Howells.

Visitors Lydiya Laver, Helen Belin.

New member Rob Pekaar was presented with his membership pack.

Minutes of previous meeting **Moved** Jim Strong, seconded Peter Osborne the minutes of the previous meeting as published in Reel Talk are a true record, carried.

Previous Committee meeting Action points from the minutes of the Committee meeting, as published in Reel Talk, were reviewed.

President's report Bob Henderson has had his knee replacement operation and is back home and sore. Bob's wife Leonie also has some health problems. Best wishes to them both for speedy recoveries. Bob's restrictions on getting around have led him to resign as Assistant Dry Casting Officer and from Committee.

Secretary's report Nothing to report

<u>Correspondence in</u>	AAAWA	Minutes of November Delegates meeting
	AAAWA	Notice of drycasting debrief meeting 26 Nov
	Westpac	Bank statement for November
	Members	Suggestions for field days for 2014/15
	Bladon WA	Merry Christmas to all members
	Bob Henderson	Resignation as Assistant Drycasting Officer
	Various	Payments, accounts and raffle books, see Treasurer's report
<u>Correspondence out</u>	Charles Orton	Membership information
	Shuaib Van Der Schyff	Acceptance of application for membership

Moved Andy Thorgersen, seconded Ron Thomas the correspondence be accepted, carried.

Treasurer's report

Accounts for payment at 11 December General meeting.

To	For	Amount	
Water Corporation	Water use and service charge including sewerage	Approved November	
	1 November to 31 December 2013.....	\$169.64	Paid
Aylmore and Associates	Preparation of Tax return and financial statements	\$891.00	Paid
Ivey Home Maintenance	Mowing Kalbarri property, 27 November	\$50.00	
Coolbinia Sporting Club	Rental of Clubrooms for 6 months January to June 2013	\$375.00	
iinet	Website and email credit for 6 months.....	\$60.00	
Terry Fuller	Printing of December Reel Talk	\$155.52	
Terry Fuller	Stamps for January Reel Talk.....	\$72.00	T Fuller total
Terry Fuller	Brother laser printer cartridge TN3290	\$168.50	\$396.02
Pat McKeown	Bread rolls hotdog 6 x 6pk @ \$3.00 each Drycasting.....	\$18.00	
Pat McKeown	Onions brown Drycasting Club	\$3.35	
Pat McKeown	Bag ice x 3 bulk purchase Drycasting (Club)	\$10.00	
Pat McKeown	Sausages bulk 2kg x 2 @ \$6.00 each	\$12.00	
Pat McKeown	Harvey Fresh milk 1litre	\$1.95	
Pat McKeown	Handee Ultra paper towels 1 x 4 pk.....	\$5.20	
Pat McKeown	Foam cups 4 x 25pk @ \$1.65 ea	\$6.60	
Pat McKeown	Plates paper 2 x 25 pk @ \$1.50 ea	\$3.00	P McKeown total
Pat McKeown	Arnotts Assorted biscuits cream	\$4.00	\$64.10
Total <u>new</u> accounts for approval at 11 December GM.....		\$945.12	

Bank account summary

Bank balance at 11 December..... \$6,920.82
Accounts for payment

Accounts for payment	\$945.12
Available balance after payment of new accounts.....	\$5,975.70
Cash and cheques held for banking....	\$192.00

Income / money received since November

General meeting

Raffle tickets	\$200.00
Kalbarri rental.....	\$480.00
Complimentary sausage sizzle and drinks at AAWA State Drycasting 27 October	\$45.00

Outstanding cheques\$106.50
Total available at 11 December..... \$6,061.20

Tax refund 2012-13\$92.00
Nomination fee\$10.00
Total income received since November
General meeting\$827.00

Money received at December General meeting

Raffle tickets \$236.00
Club shirt \$35.00
Deposit Kalbarri \$100.00
3 spool refills of line \$24.00
Raffle at December General meeting \$65.00
Sausage sizzle at December drycasting \$48.50
Total received at December General meeting \$508.50

Moved Victor Schilo, seconded Peter Pekaar the Treasurer's report be accepted and accounts be passed for payment, carried.

Property Officer Ray Walker reported on sale of tickets for the raffle for rods. Ray reminded members that the books of raffle tickets and the money need to be returned by the 8 January General meeting at the very latest, because the draw will be on that night. Preferably return them well before that meeting by post or in person. **AP GM12/13 #1**

He reminded members that bookings for the Kalbarri house in holiday periods may need to be made up to twelve months ahead or risk missing out.

Field Days Peter Osborne reported on the November field day in the Swan and Canning Rivers. The Surfcasters Veterans did well, winning the team event and Pat McKeown won the Veterans champion.

The November Reel Talk has an article about choosing the Field day dates and venues for the 2014/15 competition year. Peter reminded members to read the article and put in their suggestions for field days they will be attending.

Dry Casting Officer Ron Thomas reported on the results of the December dry casting. He presented Peter Pekaar with two dry casting record certificates.

AAA report AAA President John Curtis has some meetings coming up with Recfishwest and Dept of Fisheries.

Social Organiser Pat McKeown gave some details of the night cast, after 6pm, 22 February at George and Kaye Holman's place in Sorrento.

This is the busy period for lawn bowls and any booking will need to be later in the coming year.

The Presentation night is Saturday 21 June 2014. Members were asked to keep this night free so they can come to the Presentation night.

Recorder Nothing new.

Reel Talk and Club website Photos, articles and stories from members are needed.

Notices of Motion None.

General business Geoff Raftis reported on a fishless trip to Jurien.

It is believed the North Mole is open again.

John Curtis gave some details of his training sessions as in Reel Talk.

Well known anglers Jack Harvey, from Bluewater Tackle years ago, and Max Garth passed away recently.

Raffle First prize, prawn lures, won by Trevor Stam. Second prize, Alvey bucket, won by Ray Walker. Third prize, a hat, won by Victor Schilo. Prizes provided by the Club and George Holman.

Seasons wishes. President George Holman wished all members and families best wishes for Christmas and the new year from him and all the Committee, and for friendship and harmony and enjoyment of our fishing, dry casting and social activities.

Meeting closed Formal meeting closed at 8:43 pm.

Instruction period Christmas get together by members over some food and drinks, and lucky dip for small presents.

Action points from December 2013 General meeting.			
Number	Action	By	Status
AP GM12/13 #1	Books of raffle tickets and money need to be returned by 8 January General meeting at the very latest. Preferably return them well before that meeting by post or in person	All members	Very important

Action points from July 2013 General meeting.			
Number	Action	By	Status
AP GM7/13 #1	Reserve Saturday night 21 June 2014 for the Club's Presentation night	All members	Ongoing

Future General meeting instruction periods.

- 8 January Planning and preparing for the March long weekend Bluff Creek field day. Members' discussions on updated Club Rules (Constitution) included with the January Reel Talk.
- 12 February Possibly: Field day venues and dates for 2014/15.
Members' discussions on updated Club Rules (Constitution)
Back up topic: Ganging hooks, basic rigs and knots.
- 12 March 2014 Field day venues and dates for 2014/15
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- Possibilities for other months Ganging hooks, basic rigs and knots (if not used in February).
Using soft plastic lures.
Cooking fish.
Making berley cages

Action points from December Committee meeting

A summary of points from the previous Committee meeting is given at each General Meeting. For members' information, here is the set of action points and status from the last Committee meeting as recorded in the draft minutes.

Action points from 18 December 2013 Committee meeting.			
AP No.	Action	By	Status
CM 12/13 #1	Send attendance numbers at December and January dry casting days to Pat McKeown	Terry Fuller	Done
CM 12/13 #2	Publish latest version of draft of update of Rules (Constitution) in the January Reel Talk as the Committee's recommended version, for consideration by members and some discussions at the Instruction period at the January General meeting	Terry Fuller	In hand
CM 12/13 #3	Update proposed changes to the Eligible Species list using Committee's comments	Peter Osborne	
CM 12/13 #4	Prepare one or more articles for Reel Talk about proposed changes to Competition Rules, and Notices of motions	Peter Osborne	
CM 12/13 #5	Update Field day and Dry casting scoring spreadsheets and computer programs for any changes to Competition Rules commencing in 2014/15	Terry Fuller	In progress

Minutes Secretary and Reel Talk Editor, Terry Fuller

Coming Club events

January Dry casting

All casters **please come early (no later than 8 am)** and assist with the setting up of the casting courts, targets, etc at the beginning of the day after setting up your own casting gear. Please assist with the retrieval and packing up of the casting equipment at the end of the day's events.

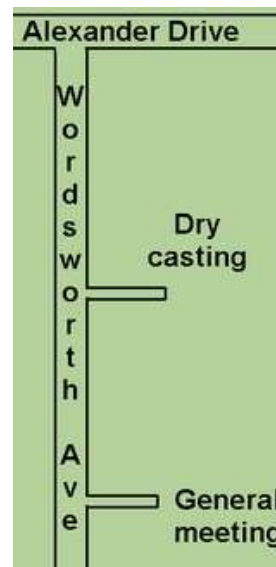
Name tags All casters, please wear your name tag.

When Sunday 5 January 2014. Competition casting starts 8:30am.

Where Yokine Reserve East, Wordsworth Avenue. Southern end of the amenities building.

Events Double handed accuracy, Single handed accuracy, 56 gram distance, Artificial bait distance, 112 gram distance.

Fees \$10 per person, \$12 per family to help cover booking charges for the oval and public liability insurance. Fees must be paid to by 8 am to allow the collector some time before the 8:30am start. Please let someone know if you are going to be late.



<u>Casting order</u>	<u>Month</u>	<u>Seniors, Ladies and Juniors</u>	<u>Veterans</u>
	5 January	Accuracy first, then distance	Distance first, then accuracy
	2 February	Distance first, then accuracy	Accuracy first, then distance
	9 March	Accuracy first, then distance	Distance first, then accuracy

January General meeting

When Wednesday 8 January 2014, 8:00pm.

Where Coolbinia West Perth Amateur Football and Sporting Club room.

Sign In Please remember to have your name ticked on the attendance sheet and buy some raffle tickets for the General meeting raffle. See Jim Strong and the helpers at the front table.

Name tags All members, please wear your name tag.

<u>Special event</u>	Draw of the Raffle for fishing rods. Please return your raffle tickets and money well before the meeting.
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Instruction period Planning and preparing for the March long weekend Bluff Creek field day. Members' discussions on updated Club Rules (Constitution). See copy included with this January Reel Talk

January Field day modified Local with extended boundaries

When Saturday/Sunday 11/12 January 2014.

Where Dawesville to Jurien.



Boundaries South wall of Dawesville Cut to north wall of Jurien Marina, including Swan and Canning Rivers. New members are encouraged to fish with older members for guidance and help.

Sign on At General meeting or phone Field Day Officer before 8pm on Thursday.

Late sign on Phone the Field Day Organiser. The club will assume you will not be fishing if you haven't signed on at the General meeting or phoned.

Sign off If you have signed on then you must sign off in person at the weigh in place at the nominated time or by phone no later than ½ hour before the weigh in time.

Lines down Saturday 2pm.
Lines up Sunday 11am.
Fees \$10 per person, \$12 per family. If you sign on you must pay the Field day fees.
Times Lines down 2pm Saturday to Lines up 11am Sunday. Fish caught within those times are eligible for the Club Field Day competition and weigh-in. Fish caught before or after those times are eligible for the Open Competition.
Weigh in Sunday 3pm at car park under south side of the Narrows Bridge, South Perth.

<u>Tides etc Fremantle</u>	Saturday 11 Jan	0.48m at 5:20am	1.01m at 6:50pm	<u>Moonset</u>	1:25am at 290 deg	
	<u>Moon below</u>	About 8:25am		<u>Moon above</u>	About 8.45pm	
	Sunday 12 Jan	0.46m at 5:10am	1.04m at 7:20pm	<u>Moonset</u>	2:10am at 292 deg	
	<u>Moon below</u>	About 9:10am		<u>Moon above</u>	About 9:35pm	
<u>Sunrises</u>			About 5:20am at 117 deg		<u>Sunsets</u> About 7:25pm at 244 deg	

<u>Tides Dawesville Cut</u>	Saturday 11 Jan	0.4m at 5:10am	0.87m at 7:10pm	<u>Tides Jurien</u>	Saturday 11 Jan	0.5m at 4:50am	1.03m at 6:30pm
	Sunday 12 Jan	0.39m at 5:25am	0.89m at 7:40pm		Sunday 12 Jan	0.48m at 5:35am	1.06m at 7:05pm

Local Field Day for January

The main field day for January is an extended local, so there is no separate Local field day.

January Committee meeting

When Wednesday 15 January, 7:30pm.
Where Coolbinia West Perth Amateur Football and Sporting Club room.
Visitors Club members who wish to see what's involved in Committee work may attend Committee meetings by invitation as visitors and observers and at the discretion of the President. Please contact the President or the Secretary well before the meeting to arrange your invitation.

February Field Day

When Saturday/Sunday 15/16 February 2014
Where Cervantes.
Boundaries Jurien Marina North wall to south side of Cervantes. New members are encouraged to fish with older members for guidance and help.
Sign on Saturday 12:30pm at service station at Cervantes.
Late sign on Phone the Field Day Organiser. The club will assume you will not be fishing if you haven't signed on at the General meeting or phoned.
Sign off If you have signed on then you must sign off in person at the weigh in place at the nominated time or by phone no later than ½ hour before the weigh in time. Eg if you have no fish, have an emergency outside of the Field Day, or have personal reasons and will not attend the weigh-in.
Lines down Saturday 2pm.
Lines up Sunday 10am.

Fees \$10 per person, \$12 per family. If you sign on you must pay the Field day fees.

Times Lines down 2pm Saturday to Lines up 10am Sunday. Fish caught within those times are eligible for the Club Field Day competition and weigh-in. Fish caught before or after those times are eligible for the Open Competition.

Weigh in Sunday 11:30am at service station at Cervantes.

<u>Tides etc Jurien</u>	Saturday 15 Feb	0.78m at 11:40am	0.99m at 9:55pm	<u>Moonset</u>	6am at 281 deg
				<u>Moonrise</u>	7pm at 82 deg
		<u>Moon above</u> About 0:15am		<u>Moon below</u>	About 12:30pm
	Sunday 16 Feb	0.56m at 5:10am	0.80m at 12:10pm	<u>Moonset</u>	6:50am at 276 deg
				<u>Moonrise</u>	7:35pm at 87 deg
		<u>Moon above</u> About 1:00am		<u>Moon below</u>	About 1:15pm
	<u>Sunrises</u>	About 5:55am at 106 deg		<u>Sunsets</u>	About 7:05pm at 255 deg



Local Field Day for February

When Saturday/Sunday 15/16 February 2014.

Sign on At General meeting or phone Field Day Officer before 8pm on Thursday.

Late sign on Phone the Field Day Organiser or John Curtis. The club will assume you will not be fishing if you haven't signed on at the General meeting or phoned.

Sign off If you have signed on then you must sign off in person at the weigh in place at the nominated time or by phone no later than ½ hour before the weigh in time.

Lines down Saturday 2pm.

Lines up Sunday 10am.

Fees \$10 per person, \$12 per family. If you sign on you must pay the Field day fees.

Times Lines down 2pm Saturday to Lines up 10am Sunday. Fish caught within those times are eligible for the Club Field Day competition and weigh-in. Fish caught before or after those times are eligible for the Open Competition.

Weigh in Sunday 11am at G Holman's house. Scales will be available on his back patio. An adult member must witness weights. Field Day money to be left with the scales in an envelope with your name and details written in the carbon copy Field Day book. No money = no points. Results to be phoned to FDO by 8 pm the following night.

Boundaries Penguin Island sand spit to north wall of the Two Rocks Marina, including the Swan and Canning Rivers, the North and South Mole.

Fish together Check at the General Meeting before each field day for arrangements and discussions about when and where members can meet to fish together locally in the metropolitan area or at the main away venue.

<u>Tides etc Fremantle</u>	Saturday 15 Feb	0.75m at 11:45am	0.99m at 9:40pm	<u>Moonset</u>	6am at 281 deg
				<u>Moonrise</u>	7pm at 82 deg
		<u>Moon above</u> About 0:15am		<u>Moon below</u>	About 12:30pm
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Fishing together on field days

The Club encourages members to fish together on Field days, and will help arrange this. However it helps everyone if members who want a lift, want help or want to fish with someone, ask and arrange to go with other members. It's best done early, but can also be done either before or during the sign on or at the previous General meeting or any Club event.

Check at the General meeting for arrangements and discussions about when and where members can meet to fish together locally in the metropolitan area or at the main away venue.

Reel Talk Editor, Terry Fuller

Field Day sign on, fishing and weigh in times

The proposed sign on, fishing and weigh in times for the next 2 months' Field Days are published in each Reel Talk. If you don't like any of the proposed sign on, fishing or weigh in times because of the heat or whatever, there is plenty of time to comment or ask for changes. Some times and locations were voted on and set by the members at the April General meeting and should not be changed. Contact the Field Day Officer.

If you are not able to be at the venue by the nominated sign on time, or need to leave early, for example for health reasons or other commitments, arrangements can be made for a late sign on, and possibly for an alternative weigh-in at the discretion of the Field Day Officer.

Please remember - if you sign on for the Field Day, you MUST pay the fees for the Field Day.

Reel Talk Editor, Terry Fuller

Calendar for next three months

Here's a calendar showing the dates for Dry Casting, General and Committee meetings, Field Days and other Club events in the next three months.

27 Deadline for Reel Talk articles, 5pm	23 AAA Event / Club Field day	22 Night cast
5 Dry Casting	8 General Meeting	11 12 Field Day
		15 Committee Meeting

January 2014							February 2014							March 2014						
Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
		1	2	3	4	5						1	2	31					1	2
6	7	8	9	10	11	12	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
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27	28	29	30	31			24	25	26	27	28			24	25	26	27	28	29	30

Reel Talk Editor, Terry Fuller

Deadline for Reel Talk articles and reports

The Reel Talk needs to be out during the week before the first Club event for that month. I try to get the Reel Talk printed so I can post it on the Monday afternoon for delivery in the metro area on the Tuesday or during that week, however public holidays or Australia Post holidays can change that. Can I please have all general articles and reports for the

February Reel Talk no later than 5 pm Thursday 23 January.

March Reel Talk no later than 5 pm Thursday 20 February.

April Reel Talk no later than 5 pm Thursday 27 March.

I really appreciate getting articles well **before** the deadline, please. If I have all the regular articles, I may go to print earlier than the dates shown.

Reel Talk Editor, Terry Fuller

President's report

I will keep this report short for this month as Christmas is here as I write and hope that we will look forward to a great new year.

Bob and Leonie Henderson are riding some rough waves at the moment and I take the opportunity of saying the thoughts and best wishes of all club members are with them, and I am sure there is light at the end of the tunnel.

Terry Fuller has worked hard on our new club Rules (Constitution) and as a result the committee has put forward a recommended version for you all to look at so we may take the next step. Thanks to the committee for the work they have done as well.

Peter Osborne has put a lot of work into the fishing venues for our new competition year so please help him by putting in your field day list as soon as possible.

Ray Walker has worked hard setting up our raffle and now needs the raffle books and money for tickets sold to be sent back as soon as possible. The draw will be at our January General meeting and Ray really needs all the books (and money) back well before the meeting so that he can do all the preparation for the draw. See the articles elsewhere in this January Reel Talk.

The attendances at our events has dropped off a little and we need to take stock and put in a bit more effort. Remember it takes a lot of effort and work for our Field Day Officer and Dry Casting Officer to organise our events so we may participate and enjoy them. Please reward them by attending.

The other person is our Social Organiser who goes to a lot of trouble to cater for us at meetings and particularly at our dry casting events with a sausage sizzle and drinks. He needs numbers present and patronage to reward his efforts.

I would like to remind members that clubs are about people working together in harmony, and friendships are paramount. There are some who need to remember that.

Eddie Korin spoke to me recently and he and Debbie are in Melbourne for Christmas and he is then going to Port Lincoln in South Australia for a whiting fishing competition on 2 January. Debbie will join him there a little later. We might have a new whiting King. They will be back here for the night cast.

At our last White Hills venue it was enjoyable to see most fishing close to each other which made the weekend. I enjoyed the company of Ken Howells and a couple of Fremantle club members. Ken is very well organised and was trying out a new awning that Terry Fuller had made for him and it worked a treat. Ken is a very competent fisher and was rewarded with the heaviest scale fish. Thanks for your company Ken.

President 2013/14, George Holman

Club raffle - please return raffle books

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December field day White Hills

Synopsis. The White Hills 14/15 December 2013 field day was spread from the south wall of the Dawesville Cut at Mandurah to Preston Beach with the majority of persons fishing a stretch of beach 10 to 15km south of the White Hills road. Tailor were light on, herring were light on, a couple of small but size mulloway and dozens of tiny tarwhine were landed but we all had a feed to take back home.

The trip. The sign on at the car park behind Miami Bakery was at noon Saturday 12 January with lines down at 2pm with fishing through until through Sunday with the weigh-in at 11am back at the same car park. A total of 11 anglers signed on, George Holman, Pat McKeown, Peet and Sandra Wessels, Victor and Slavka Schilo, Ken Howells, Dean Stewart and Peter Osborne. Our starting point has become a tradition to sign on at the car park at the back of the Bakery. This gives the opportunity on both arrival and departure to treat oneself to a good cup of coffee with a pie and/or donuts or other goodies.

The track in was not too bad except one section where we had to cut off the beach behind sand dunes and then return to the beach. We could see this could be a problem for our return trip.

A point we need to consider for the future, is that this date is during school holidays and 4WD vehicles were prolific. Even during fishing, vehicles were tearing up and down the beach for the whole time. Observing how some drove with tires over inflated, some drivers were definitely not experienced resulting in tracks badly cut up.

On returning to the weigh-in, a number of us went the long way round via Preston, just level beach driving. Also when discussing with various club members as to whether they were coming to White Hills, a number said they had family obligations associated with Christmas. Hence, when it doesn't interfere with our dry casting date we might consider this venue be to shifted to a date a week earlier.

Invariable, while not for every field day, we usually have person or party run into a difficulty or bad luck. eg get tangled with a stingray, get stung by bees or have a vehicle incident. However this trip was incident free.



Setting up on the beach at White Hills, in beautiful weather. Victor & Slavka and Peet & Sandra in the background

We fished in small groups along the beach looking for a bit of small reef structure that appears intermittently along this bit of coastline. Some 12km down from the entrance track we found some suitable small reef area that was not occupied. Initially the wind was a slight southwest and stayed that way all afternoon and evening, a really balmy night for beach fishing.

The group fishing this area consisted of Peet and Sandra Wessels, Victor and Slavka Schilo and Peter Osborne.



Just to the south of us, George Holman and Ken Howells fished together.

Left: Slavka trying hard to get a size Tarwhine, needed for her species badge. She caught a couple of dozen but none were size.

Throughout the fishing period, all had issues with very small fish stripping mulies. This turned out to be very much undersize tarwhine and some blowies. This gave periods of having lines out but no bait on the hooks.

Slavka wanted an additional fish for her species badge and tarwhine was on her list. Of course Slavka started to spit bricks when I cheekily walked up to her with a size tarwhine after she had put back her 20th undersize tarwhine.

Sandra hooked the first tailor but large time gaps between fish coming in. Most got at least one tailor, but there was a lot of water between them. Only bags of 1 or 2 tailor were weighed in. Peet Wessels had the heaviest bag of fish, mixed tailor, herring and a couple of skippy.

As above, tailor were very scarce with all getting one or two tailor around dark and an odd one in the morning. Herring were more prolific in this area, with Slavka really getting stuck into a bag of herring. Beside tailor and herring this group caught odd pike, some whiting, one size tarwhine from all attempting to catch one, and an odd skippy.



Sandra gets one of the first tailor in our group.



Ken and George with their mulloway

Congratulations to both George and Ken for each getting a small but legal size mulloway.

While not so clear in the photo, George's fish was slightly longer, but Ken's was a fat one and earned him the heaviest fish capture for the weekend. I managed to get two mulloway, but both were slightly undersize. That size when pulled out of the water, they are a beautiful sculptured silver animal that look as though they are hand crafted and finely polished.

I also managed to have a little tease at Sandra's expense. If you have read and picked up in previous issues of Reel Talk, particularly discussions on field days in May and August at Rottnest, Sandra earned the title of Buffy Queen.

Early morning I thought I was pulling in a size tarwhine, but on picking up realized it was a buff bream. As she hadn't caught one for a while, I had to walk up to Sandra to remind her what a buffy looked like and further reminded her to get her act together if she wants to retain her title.



At the weigh-in where Slavka put a good bag of herring on the scales



Some of the herring were a good size



Victor and a couple of his tailor



Dean managed to get one tailor to the weigh-in table

Pat and Dean fished a bit of reef area further down towards Preston and managed small bags of tailor and herring.

Back at the weigh-in, incorporating coffee and bakery goodies etc, all the fish went across the scales. Various bags of fish but disappointment that tailor did not make a strong appearance. See further below in Reel Talk for the actual capture results. In summary, for the field day location at White Hills nearly everyone had a small bag of fish so smiles at the weigh-in.

Local Field Day. Two Surfcaster menfolk, Gary Parkinson and Mark Hansen, fished locally for shorter time periods due to family social obligations, with neither putting fish in their bags.

Hope to see you at our January Field day weigh-in. Boundaries from Mandurah/Dawesville Cut to Jurien for lines down 2pm Saturday and lines up at 11am Sunday with the weigh-in at 3pm under the south side of the Narrows Bridge in South Perth.

Tight lines

Field Day Officer, Peter Osborne

Addition to points for November 2013 Field Day

Angler	Weight	Species	Fish	Points
Peet Wessels				20
Sandra Wessels				20

Points include Field day and November General meeting points.

Catch results and points for December 2013 Field Day

Angler	Weight	Species	Fish	Points
Peter Osborne	2.93kg	5	14	99.3
George Holman	2.94kg	4	9	89.4
Peet Wessels	3.16kg	3	18	71.6
Pat McKeown	1.25kg	3	4	62.5
Ken Howells	2.18kg	3	4	61.8
Victor Schilo	1.42kg	2	7	54.2
Sandra Wessels	2.23kg	2	11	52.3
Slavka Schilo	1.42kg	1	11	44.2
Dean Stewart	0.44kg	1	1	34.4
Gary Parkinson				20
Mark Hansen				20

Points include Field day and December General meeting points.

Species weighed at White Hills field day: tailor, herring, pike, skipjack trevally, whiting, tarwhine, mulloway.

Species weighed at the local field day: none.

Sportsperson of the Year section winners for December 2013

Best scale fish	Ken Howells	Mulloway	1.80kg
Best bag of scale fish	Peet Wessels	Mixed Bag	3.16kg

Field day section winners for December 2013

Best scale fish	Ken Howells	Mulloway	1.80kg
Best bag of scale fish	Peet Wessels	Mixed Bag	3.16kg

Field Day top scores for 2013/14

Total scores up to and including December Field day and General meeting. Competition Rules section 2.4.5 specifies only the best 11 months out of 12 will count at the end of the competition year. The winners will be announced at the Presentation of Trophies in June 2014, and adjusted scores will be published after that. Names with equal scores are sorted alphabetically.

Name	Points	Rank	Name	Points	Rank	Name	Points	Rank
Peet Wessels	530.5	1	Peter Pekaar	111.7	12	Ian Taggart	38.6	23
Peter Osborne	503.8	2	Victor Schilo	108.3	13	Wendy Hansen	37.3	24
Sandra Wessels	429	3	Justin Rose	106.8	14	Sarah Wignell	31.3	25
Pat McKeown	355.4	4	Frank Rystenber	100.8	15	Christian Wearmouth	20	26
Ken Howells	349.2	5	Allan Jones	86.5	16	Ray Walker	20	27
George Holman	348.5	6	Dean Stewart	86.1	17	Thomas Wearmouth	20	28
Theo Van Niekerk	310.2	7	Matt Howells	76.9	18	Felicity Keet	10	29
Martin Wearmouth	280.5	8	Slavka Schilo	74.2	19	Jeff Hewton	10	30
Mark Hansen	251.8	9	Gerald Wearmouth	51	20	Morgan Keet	10	31
Gary Parkinson	172.7	10	John Crompton	50	21	Neil Maxted	10	32
Greg Keet	124.2	11	Shane Wignell	49.2	22	Tino Baiardo	10	33

Field Day sections 2013/14

Up to and including December 2013 Field Day.

1A	Best scale fish (1st six months)	Ken Howells	Mulloway	6.28 kg	May
1B	Best scale fish (2nd six months)	Ken Howells	Mulloway	1.80 kg	December
2	Most meritorious fish	To be awarded by Committee			
3	Best Shark (4.5kg min)				
4	Best Mulloway (2.0kg min)	Ken Howells	Mulloway	6.28 kg	May
5	Best Tailor (1.0kg min)	Peter Osborne	Tailor	2.74 kg	October
6	Best Salmon (3kg min)				
7	Best Skipjack Trevally (0.5 kg min)	Peet Wessels	Skipjack Trevally	2.0 kg	August
8	Best Mackerel (2kg Min)				
9	Best scale fish (other than above)	Martin Wearmouth	Pink Snapper	3.08 kg	September
10	Best bag of scale fish	Peet Wessels	Mixed bag	17.82 kg	August
11	Best bag of Mulloway (2 fish Min)				
12	Best bag of Tailor (2 fish Min)	Peter Osborne	Tailor	5.58 kg	October
13	Best fish on S/H rod 4kg b/s line (max)	Martin Wearmouth	Flathead	0.34 kg	November
14	Best fish caught on fly rod				

2013/14 Field days

Full details of the 2013/4 field day dates, venues and boundaries were printed on pages 25 and 26 of the May Reel Talk. Here is a summary.

January 11/12, 2014	Modified Local incorporating extended boundaries.
February 15/16, 2014	Cervantes and standard Local
March 1/2/3 2014, long weekend	Bluff Creek and standard Local
April 12/13, 2014	Cape to Cape and standard Local

Update to Species Badge competition

The list of species registered to members has been checked for catches and entries during December.

Name	Bream	Flathead	Flounder	Garfish	Herring	Yellow Eyed Mullet	Mackerel	Mulloway	Pink Snapper	Salmon	Samson Fish	Snook or Pike	Tailor	Tarwhine	Trevally	Whiting	Wrasse	Number of species caught
Ken Howells		1			1			1				1	1			1		6

Members who are close to getting the 10 species required for their Species Badge are:

Bob Henderson	9	Melvin Wee	8	Greg Keet	7
Shane Wignell	9	Terry Fuller	8	Sabby Pizzolante	7
Slavka Schilo	9	Allan Jones	7	Tino Baiardo	7
Ian Taggart	8				

Recorder John Curtis

Local fishing closures

The seasonal spawning protection closure for Pink Snapper in Cockburn and Warnbro Sounds finishes midnight 31 January.

Reel Talk Editor, Terry Fuller

Open fishing competition 2013/14

The Open Competition is for fish caught other than on Club Gazetted Field Days, but not in any other AAA affiliated club event on the same dates. Entries for the Open competition close **30 days after capture**. See Competition Rules Section 4. This listing is for the new competition year.

Section	For	Minimum weight	Entry
1	Most meritorious capture	None	To be awarded by Committee
2	Best Shark	4.5 kg	
3	Best Mulloway	5.0 kg	
4	Best Salmon	3.5 kg	4.83kg, George Holman, Esperance, September
5	Best Flathead	0.5 kg	
6	Best tailor	1.5 kg	2.94kg, Mal Head, Kalbarri, November
7	Best Samson Fish	5.0 kg	
8	Best fish on single handed rod maximum 4kg line class	Legal size	0.23kg, Peter Pekaar, Swan River, November
9	Best Pink Snapper	2.0 kg	
10	Best Tarwhine	0.5 kg	
11	Best Mackerel	4.0 kg	
12	Best Skipjack Trevally (southern)	1.0 kg	
13	Best Trevally (northern)	4.0 kg	
14	Best Snook/Pike	0.5 kg	
15	Best Black or Yellow finned Bream	0.6 kg	1.07kg Black Bream, Peter Pekaar, Swan River, November
16	Best scale fish other than sections 3 - 15	2.0 kg	
17	Best fish caught on fly rod.	Legal size	

Barron Lure competition 2013/14

The Barron Lure competition is sponsored by Eric Parker, who donates the trophies. Try Eric's poppers, you will not be disappointed.

The rules for this competition are the same as for the Club's Open fishing competition, plus fish must be caught on a popper lure, and a single fish cannot win more than one of the Barron Lure sections.

Heaviest tailor on Lure.	Mal Head	3kg tailor, Kalbarri, November
Heaviest Salmon on Lure.	No entry yet	
Heaviest Scale Fish on Lure.	No entry yet	

New member acceptances

The following applications for membership have been accepted, and will be invited to the next General Meeting to be welcomed into the Club.

Ross (David Ross) Metcalf, 31 Berkeley Crescent, Floreat 6014

Secretary and Membership Coordinator, Eric Parker

New member applications

Applications for membership have been received and will come before the next Committee meeting. If any member has any reason why any of the applications should not be accepted, please contact a Committee member and state the reason.

None this month

Secretary and Membership Coordinator, Eric Parker

Happy birthday to

John Lee, 9 January

Pat McKeown, 18 January

Xavier Maxted 23 January

Andy Thorgersen, 26 January

Emma Wignell, 27 January

Lawson Maxted, 29 January

Reel Talk Editor, Terry Fuller

Bookings for Kalbarri house in 2014

See the article on the inside back cover of Reel Talk for rates and more information.

New. The Committee has agreed that friends of members of the Surf Casting and Angling Club will receive a **20% discount** on the public rates.

The Club's Kalbarri house has bookings for the following dates, inclusive. Tenants will leave by 10 am on the last date shown and the property can be booked for the afternoon/evening of the day of the last date shown. All other dates not listed are currently available. This list is at late December and does not include any bookings or changes which may have been made between then and whenever you read this.

Contact Property Officer Ray Walker for bookings or more information.

Dec 2013 21 Dec to 31 Dec

Jan 2014 1 Jan to 4 Jan

Feb 2014 1 Feb to 8 Feb

Mar 2014 8 Mar to 15 Mar, 29 Mar to 31 Mar

Apr 2014 1 Apr to 5 Apr, 12 Apr to 30 Apr

May 2014 1 May to 11 May

Property Officer, Ray Walker

Payments into SCAC bank account

Payments to the Club may be made by direct deposit into the Club's bank account. Westpac Bank, BSB 036 059, Account 880334, Name Surf Casting and Angling Club of WA General Account. Please make sure your deposit can be identified.

Treasurer, Terry Fuller

Wanted - aluminium cans

Wanted - Aluminium cans. Mal Head saves them up and takes them to the recyclers when he has enough, and the price is right, and donates all the proceeds to the Club.

Please bring them all along to the January General Meeting because Mal will be away until April.

Reel Talk Editor, Terry Fuller

Club raffle details - please return raffle books

Draw of the Raffle for fishing rods will be at the 8 January General meeting. Please return your raffle tickets and money well before the meeting.

The Club is running a \$2 per ticket raffle. Prizes are:

1st prize: Excel Surf rod SCC 170 24/37, value \$650

2nd prize: MT 110 Light Surf rod, value \$290

3rd prize: 8120 Ballooning rod, value \$265

4th prize: Swordfish 365 4-6kg rod, value \$220

Rods have been donated by John Curtis and the raffle is being run by Ray Walker. Proceeds are for improvements to the Kalbarri property used by members for fishing holidays.

Results will be published in the West Australian on 15 January 2014.

Please return the butts or unsold tickets to Ray Walker at a Club event or by post to PO Box 2834, Malaga WA 6944 as soon as possible. Payment for sold tickets should be given to the Treasurer at a Club event; or by direct credit to the Club's bank account Westpac Bank, BSB 036 059, Account 880334, Name Surf Casting and Angling Club using the first ticket number as the reference; or by post to the Club's PO box address above.

Reel Talk Editor, Terry Fuller

Wanted articles and photos

New and extra content is wanted from members for the web site and for Reel Talk. Categories are photos, hints and tips, articles, members' stories, movies, etc.

I can take these articles in any of the usual formats, Word, PDF, text, email, even an audio recording for content, and any of the usual image or movie formats.

Please tell us about your fishing or other activities, and share those with other Club members and help to attract new members to the Club.

Reel Talk Editor, Terry Fuller

Please keep all your past Reel Talks

Many times, we need to refer you to articles from past Reel Talks to save the cost of reprinting them over and over again when the details haven't changed. Examples are full lists of all details for Field days, AAAWA state events, etc. etc.

As far as possible, this will be done in the form "*See the article on page x of the Reel Talk for month year.*" Please keep all your past Reel Talks so that you can look back at these articles and know what's what.

All Reel Talks are on the Club's web site if you need a replacement copy, or contact the Reel Talk Editor if you do not have Internet access.

Reel Talk Editor, Terry Fuller

Bring a friend to a Club activity

Please bring a friend, a relative, a workmate, neighbour or an acquaintance to a General meeting, to Dry Casting or to a Club fishing Field day. Let them know what the Club does, and let them find out for themselves some of the benefits of being a club member, particularly getting all those fishing and casting tips from experienced club members. Show them your copy of Reel Talk and let them know there is a lot more about the club on the Club website <http://www.surfcasters.iinet.net.au/>

Reel Talk Editor, Terry Fuller

Club raffle - please return raffle books

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Dry Casting report 8 December 2013

Not much to report from the last drycasting with only 14 members casting on the day. Conditions were not all that bad with a south easterly blowing for most of the day.

The winner for the men's division on the day was Alan Hale, but attendance points for the General meeting meant the Rob Pekaar scored the highest points overall for the men.

Peter Pekaar had the two longest casts for the day, 164 metres and 166 metres in the 112 gram. Alan Hale had 118 points in the double handed accuracy. Peter Pekaar had a bullseye in the single handed accuracy.

George Holman was the winner in the veterans. Terry Fuller and George Holman both had 141 points in the double handed accuracy.

The two longest casts for the day in the veterans were Ron Thomas 138 metres and George Holman 137 metres. And last but not least the State Estuary Veterans Champion managed 2 bullseyes, one in the double handed accuracy and one in the single handed accuracy.

Recently joined new member Klaus Schönwolf won the single handed accuracy with a good score of 31 points.

Dry Casting Officer, Ron Thomas

Dry Casting winners for 8 December 2013

Event	Seniors winner		Veterans winner	
56 gram score	26	Peter Pekaar, Robert Pekaar	26	George Holman
56 gram distance	130	Peter Pekaar, Robert Pekaar	135	George Holman
Artificial bait score	27	Peter Pekaar	22	George Holman
Artificial bait distance	139	Peter Pekaar	109	George Holman, Ron Thomas
112 gram score	33	Peter Pekaar	27	George Holman, Ron Thomas
112 gram distance	166	Peter Pekaar	138	Ron Thomas
Double handed accuracy	118	Alan Hale	141	George Holman, Terry Fuller
Single handed accuracy	27	Robert Pekaar	31	Klaus Schönwolf
Section highest points	219	Robert Pekaar	264	George Holman

Event	Overall winner for December		Year's best for 2013/14	
56 gram score	26	Peter Pekaar, Robert Pekaar, George Holman	31	Peter Pekaar
56 gram distance	135	George Holman	159	Peter Pekaar
Artificial bait score	27	Peter Pekaar	31	Peter Pekaar
Artificial bait distance	139	Peter Pekaar	161	Peter Pekaar
112 gram score	33	Peter Pekaar	40	Peter Pekaar
112 gram distance	166	Peter Pekaar	200	Peter Pekaar
Double handed accuracy	141	George Holman, Terry Fuller	166	Gary Gildersleeves
Single handed accuracy	31	Klaus Schönwolf	35	Terry Fuller
Section highest points	264	George Holman	284	George Holman

Single handed Open, 8 December 2013

Name	Cast 1	Cast 2	Best cast (metres)
Peter Pekaar	91.91	85.05	91.91
George Holman	83.75	84.19	84.19
Rob Pekaar	62.28	69.66	69.66
Peter Osborne	64.57	B/O	64.57
Jeff Hewton	59.66	48.19	59.66
Klaus Schönwolf	54.83	57.33	57.33

Dry Casting top scores for 2013/14

Total scores up to and including December casting and December General meeting. Competition Rules section 3.8.1 specifies only the best 11 months out of 12 will count at the end of the competition year. All results will be announced at the Presentation of Trophies in June 2014, and adjusted scores will be published after that.

Name	Points	Rank	Name	Points	Rank	Name	Points	Rank
Peter Pekaar	1822	1	Dean Stewart	896	13	Geoff Raftis	323	25
Terry Fuller	1814	2	Gary Gildersleeves	849	14	Rhys Jones	313	26
Robert Pekaar	1582	3	Peter Osborne	770	15	Nick Allsworth	203	27
Allan Jones	1581	4	Ken Howells	715	16	Deidre Thomas	153	28
Alan Hale	1289	5	Mark Hansen	663	17	Andy Thorgersen	140	29
George Holman	1255	6	Bob Henderson	618	18	Trevor Stam	124	30
Pat McKeown	1196	7	Morgan Keet	586	19	Scott Meikle	85	31
John Crompton	1134	8	Wilf Core	550	20	Jane Keet	76	32
Malcolm Head	1112	9	Gary Parkinson	470	21	Shuaib Van Der Schyff	63	33
Klaus Schönwolf	1095	10	Olivia Keet	461	22	Colin	62	34
Jeff Hewton	996	11	Owen Williams	431	22	Charles Kretzmann	57	35
Ron Thomas	946	12	Greg Keet	341	24	Ray Walker	20	36

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Dry Casting results 8 December 2013

Results for the day	56 gram			Artificial Bait			112 gram			Double Handed Accuracy								Single Handed Accuracy					Day Total	Attendance		Total Points	
	Cast 1 (m)	Cast 2 (m)	Points	Cast 1 (m)	Cast 2 (m)	Points	Cast 1 (m)	Cast 2 (m)	Points	Target number								Target distance						DC	GM		
Seniors	1	2	Points	1	2	Points	1	2	Points	3	3	1	1	4	4	2	2	Points	L	S	L	S	Points				
Peter Pekaar	129	130	26	139	135	27	164	166	33	11	0	21	21	0	0	22	22	97	0	6	0	10	16	199	10	10	219
Robert Pekaar	130	127	26	117	115	23	140	145	29	9	18	20	0	16	0	10	19	92	5	7	6	9	27	197	10	10	217
Alan Hale	B/O	120	12	110	105	22	138	147	29	12	17	22	19	1	10	24	13	118	9	8	2	6	25	206	10		216
Jeff Hewton	111	107	22	98	106	20	124	118	24	10	9	15	19	0	6	25	0	84	3	4	0	4	11	161	10		171
Mark Hansen	124	Out	12	112	117	23	139	135	27	0	22	15	13	6	0	14	6	76		D	N	C		138	10	10	158
Gary Parkinson	Out	80	8	58	Out	6	84	86	17	0	0	4	22	0	0	12	1	39	6	0	5	0	11	81	10	10	101
Veterans																											
George Holman	125	135	26	107	109	22	137	134	27	11	16	23	16	20	16	17	22	141	8	6	5	9	28	244	10	10	264
Ron Thomas	120	114	23	105	109	21	129	138	27	23	5	8	11	23	17	20	18	125	8	9	4	7	28	224	10	10	244
Terry Fuller	93	97	19	91	89	18	99	97	20	16	24	19	22	7	19	24	10	141	5	9	3	8	25	223	10	10	243
Allan Jones	102	B/O	10	91	105	20	111	114	23	20	19	18	23	15	7	10	23	135	7	0	6	9	22	210	10		220
Peter Osborne	102	99	20	96	91	19	108	107	22	1	0	17	18	18	16	18	11	99	0	5	6	8	19	179	10	10	199
Klaus Schönwolf	84	86	17	72	68	14	Out	102	10	13	21	22	0	0	18	18	12	104	9	7	6	9	31	176	10	10	196
Pat McKeown	Out	68	7	81	59	14	87	86	17	13	5	25	23	3	0	12	21	102	2	3	0	10	15	155	10	10	175
Geoff Raftis	66	67	13	75	76	15	95	91	19	0	0	14	19	17	2	16	0	68	0	8	0	0	8	123	10	10	143
Andy Thorgersen	Did not cast. Helped with sausage sizzle and drinks.																								10	10	20

These scores include points for attendance at the December General Meeting. These results have been prepared from the original hand written distances and scores recorded on the day. Robert and Peter Pekaar copied the scores from the score sheets into an electronic format, adjusted the distance scores for the 20 metre measurement setback, and cross checked all final figures against the original score sheets.

Terry Fuller used his computer drycasting scoring program to process the results to calculate the points, add all together, sort into final score order, extract the section winners and year's best, and the progressive scores for use at the end of the competition year.

Club raffle - please return raffle books

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Club Rules of Association (Constitution) - please read them

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Win 1 year's free membership of the Club

The Committee has decided to once again offer free Club membership for one year to the winner of a raffle. This offer is aimed at attracting new members to join the Club.

In the draw to be held at the Presentation night in late June 2014, all members who have been accepted into the club between July 2013 and June 2014 will be in a draw to receive one year's free membership, valued at up to \$120. The free membership will be the same type as they held in 2013/14, that is, single, or family membership, etc.

Reel Talk Editor, Terry Fuller

Suggestions for field days for 2014/15

Please see the article "Suggestions for field days for 2014/15" on page 24 of the November 2013 Reel Talk.

It's January already. Preferably **before** the April General Meeting, we need to set the fishing Field Day venues, boundaries and dates for the May 2014 to April 2015 club competition year.

Please send in your suggestions by the 8 January General meeting.

If you have any ideas, please put your suggestions in to the Committee, and list the venues on the coloured form included with the November Reel Talk.

You are requested to nominate only those months and venues that you have a reasonable expectation of attending. These could be choices from local, close venues, or distant venues. The latter are generally tied to long weekends.

The Committee will use this information to recommend a set of venues that attracts and gives the greatest interest and potentially maximize attendance by Club members.

DO IT NOW, PLEASE!!! The current Competition Rules are available from the Secretary or see the club's web site <http://www.surfcasters.iinet.net.au/> for the online versions.

We don't want to have all the discussions and all the changes at the last minute at the April General Meeting. That's not the way to make good decisions.

The Committee also will examine any new ideas, or lateral thinking that could improve our fishing enjoyment. For those fisherpersons who attend our field days please give this process your attention and put forward your personal preferences and any further ideas.

Reel Talk Editor, Terry Fuller

Night cast, Saturday 22 February, 6 pm

This year's 2014 social calendar begins with a night cast at George and Kaye Holman's place. There is a park at the rear of the house with parking available. It is well lit and safe.

The evening starts **6pm**. Please do not get there any earlier as George and Kaye need to get organised and early arrivals only slow them down

Everything is BYO. Don't forget the chairs. A BBQ is available. Bring the family along. This is a fun event and all can take part.

The object is to cast an 56gram weight with a glow stick attached at the target using one hand only, eg single handed casting. The judge for the night will be John Curtis, otherwise known as Mr Rocky Road.

George and Kaye's address is in page 1 of the Reel Talk.

Remember. Parking at rear. BYO everything. Don't get there before 6pm

See you there.

Social Organiser Pat McKeown

Social report December 2013

Hello fellow members and families.

This time of year we turn to family and friends to celebrate the festive season. May yours be a happy time filled with friendship and happiness.

Respect yourselves and don't drink and drive.

This year just seems to have flown. The club has progressed with the updating of the Kalbarri property.

Membership seems to be stable with a steady number of new members keeping the club going.

The Drycasting for December was down in numbers causing us to have sausages and buns left over but they all went to good homes.

The fishing also was down on numbers at local and away fishing. Must be the time of year with lots of things to do on the lead up to Christmas especially for those who work.

Don't worry one day, you will all retire and enjoy the good life.

The Christmas wind up was well attended plenty of food and drinks followed by the handing out of gifts donated by members.

The elder statesman of the club seemed to enjoy themselves (Andy, Jimmy and welcome back Trevor.)

Andy and Gary Parkinson (the laughing postie) have supported me throughout the year with the sausage sizzle at Drycasting. A big thank you guys.

Terry, many thanks for your support and computer skills to help me reach the stage where I can do something with the emailing of transcripts etc. Also your skills on the sewing machine to resurrect my fishing bag.

George for your help and guidance with the fishing and drycasting and especially my new fishing rod destined to catch many fish.

Peter Osborne and Dean for the rides to fishing locations. Many thanks I enjoyed it immensely.

Please remember to wear your club shirts and name badges at club functions.

The night cast is the next social event. All details in the Reel Talk.

The club presentation night is looming fast so book that night. It's guaranteed to be a good night. Any ideas to improve or help please step forward. We will be looking for donations on the night for raffles etc.

The Club Raffle draws to a close at the January General Meeting. Help Ray by handing all sold and unsold tickets to him before the night if at all possible.

Well that's about it from me. Have a safe and happy festive season. See you all in the New Year 2014.

Tight lines.

Social Organiser Pat McKeown

Draft calendar for 2014/15

A **draft** calendar for 2014/15 was published on page 26 of the November 2013 Reel Talk.

Reel Talk Editor, Terry Fuller

Heavy duty sewing

Contact Terry Fuller if you need some heavy duty strong sewing. The sewing machine can handle reinforcing or repairing tarpaulins, rope edging, plastic, canvas, leather, shade cloth, webbing, straps, buckles, etc, for tent flies, windbreaks, bags, fish bags, covers, etc.

Reel Talk Editor, Terry Fuller

Draft update of Rules (Constitution)

As advised in the article "Draft update of Rules (Constitution)" on page 32 of the November 2013 Reel Talk, a draft of the Rules (Constitution) of the Surf Casting and Angling Club of WA has been prepared and has been considered by the Committee.

The proposed process for this update to the Rules is:

1. Put a draft to Committee for comments and suggestions for changes.

Status: *Done, October 2013.*

2. Update this draft as many times as necessary until enough Committee members are satisfied they can make an agreed recommendation to members.

Status: *Discussed again at December Committee meeting to finalise recommendations from Committee.*

3. Put that draft version to the members with the agreed recommendations from Committee.

Status: *Included with the January 2014 Reel Talk.*

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4. Get members' comments, suggestions for changes, prepare updates to the draft and eventually get informal approval. **Timetable:** *Some discussion is planned for the instruction period at the January General meeting.*
5. Using the process as required by the Act, call a formal special general meeting to vote on rescinding the current Constitution and adopting the final proposed version. The expectation is this meeting will be relatively short because all rules will have already been thoroughly discussed and the motion will be to accept or not accept the full package.
6. Submit that final version to the Department of Commerce for their approval. The proposed Rules don't apply and cannot be used without receiving formal approval from the Department, and the Department may require changes.

Draft Rules updates prepared and managed by Vice President Terry Fuller

Spring is gone, summer is here

Don't forget the insect repellent, sunscreen and lip and skin protection in your fishing and dry casting pack.

The flies are back and getting friendly, the mosquitoes want their feed, the sun has started to get a real bite to it, and the wind (Perth's friendly sea so called "breeze") will dry out the lips.

Mosquitoes can carry Ross River, Barmah Forest or Murray Valley virus which can cause serious diseases in a small percentage of people. See the article on page 24 of the September 2013 Reel Talk.

Don't forget the hats, long sleeved shirts, etc, for the high UV times of the day. Check out the Club shirts and hats for sale.

Reel Talk Editor, Terry Fuller

Please wear your name tag at Club events

The heading says it all. New members and visitors will be grateful.

If you don't have a name tag, please make one or contact Secretary Eric Parker.

Club raffle - please return raffle books

The draw of the Raffle for fishing rods will be at the 8 January General meeting. Please return your raffle tickets and money well before the meeting.

Vacancy - Assistant Dry casting officer

Bob Henderson's neck and knee continue to give him problems, and he is unable to do anything for his job as Assistant dry casting officer, so he has given up that position and we now have a vacancy on Committee for an Assistant dry casting officer.

Bob has had his knee replacement, and wife Leonie also has some health problems. Best wishes to you both from all club members and we hope to see you around soon.

Ron Thomas is the Dry Casting Officer and is looking for an assistant. It's not a very difficult or onerous job, but it is important. You'll get plenty of help if you need it.

If you can help, please contact Ron Thomas or President George Holman.

Reel Talk Editor, Terry Fuller

Induction / information / training sessions

Several members have requested that there be some training sessions held for new members and include other not so new members.

Sessions will be held on the last Friday night of the month, except where that conflicts with long weekends, etc. For 2014, TENTATIVE dates for these sessions are: 31 January, 21 February, 21 March, April is moved to 2 May due to ANZAC Day, 6 June, 27 June, 25 July, 29 August, 26 September, 31 October and 28 November. At this stage these are only tentative dates and can be adjusted to meet the needs of participants.

The sessions will run from 7:30 to 9:30pm in the carport workshop at John Curtis' home in Padbury. John has taught a beach fishing class for many years at TAFE and has notes from that course as well as other equipment.

Invitation is open to any member of the club to attend on the condition that they indicate their intention at the previous club meeting, or by advising John in advance of their intention to attend. Groups will be limited to a maximum of 10 with no minimum number required to run a session. Members will need to bring their own pliers, cutters and a pen and notebook.

Can members wishing to attend please advise me prior to the event and also bring items as above.

John Curtis

Club shirts, jackets, hats, badges and stickers

Legionnaires cap yellow	\$15		
Bomber jacket waterproof	\$50	Lightweight jacket waterproof	\$45
Polo shirt long sleeved	\$35	Polo shirt short sleeved	\$30
Cloth Club badges	\$4.50	Vehicle stickers Club logo	\$2

Social Organiser, Pat McKeown

Delays in postal delivery of Reel Talk

Australia Post deliveries has been very reliable in the past but now some members are not getting their Reel Talks for a week or more after posting.

The Reel Talks are always posted early in the week before the first club event for the month. If you have not received your Reel Talk, a version will be posted on the Club website by the Thursday before the first club event for the month. <http://www.surfcasters.iinet.net.au/>

A newspaper article in late November said that Australia Post had employed more people and there should not be such long delays.

Reel Talk Editor, Terry Fuller

Disappointment about West Coast fishing rules

Some boat fishermen had been hoping for a Christmas present of some relaxation in the rules for fishing for demersal fish in the West Coast region. However a recent media release and "key findings" document seem to have squashed those hopes.

Department of Fisheries recommended outcomes, based on the key findings, are:

- *At a minimum, the current level of management needs to remain in place for at least five more years to continue the recovery trends that have been initiated.*
- *As catches of pink snapper and baldchin groper have not been reduced sufficiently in the northern half of the West Coast Bioregion, the recovery of stocks in this region is either limited or has not begun. Consideration should therefore be given to reviewing management measures for both commercial and recreational sectors within the two northern management areas to further aid recovery in this region.*

As always, there is much more to this than there seems at the first look. These recommendations should be looked at very carefully to see if the data really does justify them. Expect more to come from this, but don't hold your breath while you're waiting.

Reel Talk Editor, Terry Fuller

Message from Eddie Korin

Deb and I would like to wish everybody from Surfcasters a very merry Christmas and a happy New Year. We have to come back to WA early February 2014 to try to catch fish (none in Queensland).

Early January I will be leaving Deb with her mother in Albury NSW, and I will travel to Port Lincoln and catch up with the Port Lincoln Angling club for some serious fishing and some dry casting with the club.

Deb will follow me down after a few weeks, hopefully to a fridge with some fish in it. Tight lines and plenty of bites.

Eddie and Debbie Korin

Hooked on herring, but supply is dwindling

Page 26 of the December Reel Talk reported on concerns over stocks of herring. Andrew Rowland, CEO Recfishwest, had a 3 column Opinion article published on page 32 of the West Australian on 26 December.

It includes comments that the commercial fishery near Albany targets the westward pre-spawning migration, catches big numbers of herring in a single session, which are shoveled into tubs, put in an unrefrigerated truck and transported mostly long distances to processors, and generally sold as bait at well under \$1/kg or often less than 10 cents each.

Possible proactive measures that can be taken now to address the early warning signs include halving the current bag limit to 15 fish, introducing a seasonal commercial closure on the south coast from April to June to protect fish on their pre-spawning migration and introducing management changes that encourage the use of herring for human consumption.

I will report more in a future Reel Talk.

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Kalbarri House for rent (updated)

The Club owns a house in Kalbarri which is ideal for a fishing holiday in the area. Access to the famous fishing spots at Kalbarri and Wagoie, Lucky Bay, Port Gregory, etc is just a short drive away via the main bitumen road.

The Mallard Street house has easy access to the river, beaches and town. It has two reverse cycle air conditioners to keep you cool in the summer months and warm in winter. It has two bedrooms and will sleep up to eight (max) in 1 queen sized bed and 3 commercial grade bunks. The bathroom and shower were rebuilt in 2012.

Users need to bring their own linen, blankets and towels, tea towels, etc. It has a high definition LCD television, DVD/VCR, stove, oven, microwave, crockery and cutlery and all cooking utensils, washing machine, fridge with food freezer and new extra chest freezer for bait and fish.

Outside has a built in gas barbecue, a fish cleaning facility and a full width verandah. There is plenty of fenced parking space for cars, trailers and boats behind a gate. Rates are:

Off season	Short term (min 2 nights)	\$100 per night for 2 people	\$20 per night per extra adult \$10 per night per extra child	\$100 bond
On season	Short term (min 2 nights)	\$120 per night for 2 people	\$20 per night per extra adult \$10 per night per extra child	\$100 bond
	Weekly rates	6 times daily rate as above		

Surf Casting and Angling Club members

Off season	\$200 per week	On season	\$300 per week	} \$100 deposit/bond } plus \$60 cleaning
Short term	\$60 one night	\$50 per night (two or more nights)		

Winter/early spring discount special. A **discount of 20%** on the rates applies for all public bookings for stays during the months of July, August and September.

Members of clubs affiliated with the Australian Anglers Association WA Division, **and friends of members** of the Surf Casting and Angling Club receive a **20% discount** on the normal public rates.

Contact Property Officer Ray Walker on 9313 4196, mobile 0414 925 538 for more details and for bookings, location of keys etc., or email the Club on surfcaster@inet.net.au Check in time is 2pm. Check out time is 10am. See inside the Reel Talk for dates already booked.

See 20 photos on the Club website www.surfcasters.inet.net.au/KalbarriHouse.html If any work needs to be done in, on or around the house, please contact the Property Officer for approval.

Ray Walker, Property Officer



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