

The Gaff



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Members Announcement

WGFC Christmas Day

Sunday 2 December

Venue to be decided

All Welcome

Presidents Report

Well that's it, one season just gets over and another is in full swing. Where does one start? Firstly I would like to express a HUGE THANK YOU to all the sponsors, committee personnel and members involved with the club over the 2006-2007 season. I hope everyone rejoins the Club and make it another fantastic year. We already have over 70 members with some new people joining for the season. On a poignant note, our long time sponsor Ern Webb's has closed its doors, however, Wollongong is about to gain a new **Tackle World** store opening soon at the North Gate complex in North Wollongong next to (Super Cheap Auto). Let's be optimistic that the new store will be interested in supporting the club as Ern Webb's has over the many years. With that said the committee has worked very hard to obtain new sponsors for the up and coming season to help fund the tournament and ongoing events and costs of operating the Club. It is always helpful if any members have knowledge or connections to potential sponsors, so keep your eyes open and let us know. We display all sponsors' logos on our web site and in the GAFF. Have a look and remember to use their services as there support for the Club contributes to our success.

The NSW AGM was held on July 20th-22nd at the fabulous Bellachara Hotel in Gerringong. It was a huge eye opener for me as I had the opportunity this year to attend as a delegate along with Greg Barea, our life member Colin Forrester attended as an observer. Many members would know that nearly all the motions put forward were squashed. This was a huge shame as some of them were truly the way forward for a better Game Fishing future including competition of the sport and for all members including Juniors and Small fry's. I would like all

fishermen to have a real close look at the sport and understand that for future fishers (children and new fishermen/women) of the Clubs that a change towards newer and better ways of fishing that make it more competitive, sportive, enjoyable need to occur to encourage everyone to put an effort in and FISH for their catch. With that said there were a few changes made and applied to our rules. Firstly, Kingfish have been reduced from 250 points down to 25 points, this is partly due to the over tagging of the species and the fact the NSW DPI do not need any more tagging data on the species due to the excessive level they have been tagged at. Please keep in mind that the species is still a great tiebreaker in tournaments and real fun on LIGHT line, especially 4-8kg. Everyone should have a go on a strong Kingie on light line. Now that's fishing. Also with regards to Billfish Only Tags, these tags are designed for Billfish ONLY and the agreement was made that these tags are **not to be used** on any other species other than Billfish. If you do use these tags on other fish your tags and/or fish will be disqualified and not receive any points. Apart from that it was a well run, well catered and a very informative event. I look forward to next years.

The Wollongong AGM was also held some month's ago now and all positions were filled except for the Treasure's position. That having been said we had some interest from a long time WGFC member Peter Childs who was accepted into the position in September. I would like to personally welcome Peter Childs to the position. Thank-you



Presidents Report Continued

very much to the out going committee for their support over the last season and thank-you to the incoming and those returning to the committee. I hope we can work together to build WGFC up bigger and better operated than ever. There were a few motions for discussion on the night with most being squashed. Some of the motions couldn't be amended as the members who wrote them were unable to attend. One motion passed was for some new trophies for the new season, thanks to Adam and Peter.

The Presentation Afternoon was something different to try for the first time this year and from the responses from most, it was a success. The cost was down and the Club had around 20 juniors in attendance, which was a real bonus. As always there are things that we can improve upon and I am sure the committee will endeavor to try and make it better next year. Congratulations to everyone who walked away with a trophy this year, although we should have just placed most of them on Jonathon Frino's table before we even started the afternoon. Well done mate, great effort and for the other junior's and small fry's look out for him this season. Once you have the taste of the winning, it's an experience you want to continue. HERE'S CHEERS Go WGFC Kids, top effort from them all. All information and results for the season are in this GAFF.

The Annual WGFC Tournament, was held from 14th-16th of September. The committee had worked relentlessly searching out and finding new and existing sponsors for this season and as usual it has been an arduous task, but appreciation and thanks to everyone involved. The tournament was a great success, the weather Gods were a lot kinder to those on the water and the Shark's were a feeding. They came up in both Capture and Tag & Release in great numbers and size, unfortunately most of the other pelagics thought it was a lot safer elsewhere. Nevertheless, it was good to see the competition well represented by many of the Clubs. I expect it to be just as good or even better next year. I have confidence in our skippers and boats will reciprocate the support by fishing in many tournaments along the coast throughout this season, I know I will be attending as many as I can. Let's see if our boats and members have a chance to take out Central Zone round in 2008. As always, GO WOLLONGONG!

On a quick note the members and committee that attend the monthly meetings have decided that without the support and income from a major sponsor this season we will no longer be running a quarterly Gaff Magazine. Instead we will run publish one a year being the "Bible" with all the relevant information to finish off last season and commence the new season. This is both environmentally friendly and budget friendly. We will use and utilise the web site more, as information can be uploaded and updated immediately and it's keeping up with technology. However, for those who are not computer literate or do not have access to a computer, we will routinely, when events or information becomes important

to the Club send out a black and white newsletter. So keep your eyes on the web site (www.wollongonggfc.com) and as always send your information and pictures through so we can keep it interesting.

That is all for now, once again welcome to the already in progress 2007-2008 Game Fishing season. If you haven't done so please send in those membership forms so you can hit the water and have some fun along the way. Keep your eye on our calendar on the website in included in this GAFF of events for upcoming tournament rounds, night fish and special days (WGFC Christmas Golf Day is Sunday 2nd December and a Shoalhaven River Picnic day sometime in January) and get involved in your Club and help us build a brighter future in the sport of Game Fishing, support our juniors and small fry and respect the environment and enjoy life.

Tight Lines and Calm Seas,
Simon Seivers

Secretaries Report

Welcome back to the Wollongong Game Fishing Club for 2007-2008 season. We hope everyone had a good winter and have already been out on the ocean. With the season already begun, there have been 2 Central Zone rounds and our 16th Annual Tournament out of the way it has been a busy start. Please remember before you can get out there and start fishing everyone must rejoin the club whether you are an existing member or brand new. Membership forms are on the website, in this GAFF or available from the executive committee. If your details are the same you can send your payment in stating your details are unchanged and then you're ready to go. Remember **no points will be allocated** if you have **not paid your membership**, so do it now!! Ensure your email details are correct and up to date as this is the best, fastest and most environmentally friendly way to communicate the latest information and minutes of our meetings.

During the winter the committee was extremely busy organising the AGM, presentation, boat safety day and tournament, not to mention some of the other club's presentations we have been fortunate to attend. Botany Bay, Central Zone, Shellharbour are a couple that Simon and I travelled to and Broken Bay and Shoalhaven were attended by other committee people.

We hope next year more members come to the AGM to put in a vote about decisions for the club. Simon and I remain in our positions for another year and appreciate the support in the past, present and future. The Club has become part of our lives and being our third year, we can enjoy this season knowing the annual operations and agenda in our roles, (or at least should know or who to ask). Adam Thorne continues as weight's recorder and we welcomed Martin Crowe as Vice President and Peter Childs as Treasurer. We thank Greg Barea and Shane Duffy for their commitment, time and effort in their roles for the past few years. Greg is continuing his support through the committee, as are, Ron Kuhna, Simon Kitchen and Aaron Bostock. Any questions about our roles or

information needed please contact a committee member and we will assist you where needed.

The presentation afternoon went well with lots of juniors and small fries running around. It was our first year doing an afternoon event and we have had mostly positive feedback about the day and how improvements can and will be made.

The Boat Safety Day occurred on Sunday 26th August at Wollongong Harbour, with many boats coming down to be checked before enjoying the BBQ. It was a beautiful warm day with lots of sunshine and flat seas, too bad it was a non point score day, which seems to be the way for the past few years. Peter Childs, our new Safety Officer did a fantastic job. If you still need your boat to be checked go to the website for the Boat Safety form and information to get in touch with Peter. If your boat hasn't changed then a photo will not be required, but if you have been lucky enough to upgrade or change your boat, please provide a new photo.

The 16 Annual Tournament was the opener for the season and the first Central Zone round. It was third time lucky with what turned out to be the best tournament for WGFC in a long time. 39 boats with 112 anglers fished, including myself who had an amazing time fishing on Hammerhead with a truly fantastic crew. All but the Marlin categories were won and there were 2 Blue sharks captured with pending records for NSW, Australia and International Game Fishing. I am pleased to say that one of them was my 186.4kg Blue on 15kg line. We have sent all our paperwork into NSWGFA and GFAA and are awaiting the results, but have been told I have broken a 9 year old WGFC record. It was an experience I will never forget and I greatly appreciate the guys (Colin Scott, Rich and Marshal) from Hammerhead for welcoming me on board and encouraging me during the battle. I will be back for more. It was great to see excitement at the gantry and what a job Adam, Martin, Scott and Simon did. I am sure their muscles were sore for a week. For more information see the Weight's Recorder report.

We have some great sponsors come on board this year and many returning sponsors donating lots of supplies and prizes. I must congratulate the committee members who have been chasing sponsors for the last few months. It is a lot of extra time and effort to support the Club and is also greatly appreciated. We also extend a thank you to the wonderful sponsors for their support. I hope this year's fishing is better than last with lots of great fishing stories by the end of the season. We hope many boats and club members have opportunities out on the water, check the calendar at www.wollongonggfc.com for coming events. We are always looking for feedback and input from club members so give us a shout.

I look forward to being part of the WGFC for another year and hope everyone has great times fishing. As always GO WOLLONGONG!!

Nicole Salmon-Seivers



Recorders Report

The Wollongong Game Fishing Club held its 16th annual tournament on the 15th and 16th of September. A total of 39 vessels and 114 anglers from Sydney to Jervis Bay were greeted with exceptional condition and fished the waters between Barrenjoey Head and Jervis Bay, competing for over \$20,000 in prizes.

A total of 42 fish were tagged and released and 29 fish were captured comprising of 33 Mako Sharks, 11 Blue Sharks, 6 Whaler Sharks, 16 Yellowfin tuna and 5 Albacore.

The Saturday saw some excellent captures with *The Outlaw* capturing two Mako Sharks of 177.6 and 220.4kg both on 10kg to John Priddle and Michael Hill respectively. Nicole Salmon-Seivers fishing aboard *Hammerhead* captured a pending N.S.W and Australian record Blue Shark of 186.4kg on 15kg.

The Sunday followed suit with Andrew Finney fishing aboard *Outcast* capturing a 110kg Mako Shark on 6kg and a pending N.S.W, Australian and World Record Blue Shark of 192.4kg on 6kg. Mick Valesic fishing aboard *Resurrection* captured a 176.4kg Blue Shark on 6kg.

Champion boat capture was *Outcast* from Botany Bay with four sharks and 46,453 points. Champion male angler capture was Andrew Finney aboard *Outcast* with 3 sharks and 44,013 points. Champion female angler capture was Genelle Murphy from Wollongong, fishing aboard *Murphy's Lore* with a 184.4kg Mako Shark on 15kg and 8,482 points. Champion small-fry capture went to Jessica Munn also from Wollongong, fishing aboard her parents boat *Jester* with an 88.4kg Mako Shark on 15kg and 1,956 points.

Champion boat tag and release was 'Dobbo' from Sydney with six sharks and 12,000 points. Champion male angler tag and release was Michael Dobson from Sydney with six sharks and 12,000 points. Champion female angler tag and release was Genelle Murphy from Wollongong with one shark and 2,000 points. Champion Junior tag and release went to Jonathan Frino also from Wollongong with one shark and 2,000 points.

- Adam Thorn

WGFC Tournament 2007 - Results

Tag & Release Results

Club	Angler	M,F,J,SF	Boat	Species	Line class	Points
SGFC	Jake Henderson	J	Everwilling	Fin	15	1000
SGFC	J Pearson	M	Yogi Bear	Mako	24	2000
WGFC	Genelle Murphy	F	Murphy's Lore	Mako	15	2000
SGFC	Mario Camillie	M	More Charisma	Mako	24	2000
	Lee Cheesman	M	More Charisma	Mako	24	2000
SGFC	Andrew Hepburn	M	Ungry	Mako	24	2000
	Steve Warne	M	Ungry	Fin	15	1000
	Grant Harthley	M	Ungry	Mako	15	2000
PHGFC	P Borning	M	Dark Horse	Mako	24	2000
BBGFC	Rob Hauch	M	Minx	Fin	24	1000
	Rob Hauch	M	Minx	Albacore	10	500
	Mat Shine	M	Minx	Fin	24	1000
	Mat Shine	M	Minx	Fin	24	1000
	Mat Shine	M	Minx	Albacore	10	500
BBGFC	Mark Kerner	M	Sea Star	Fin	24	1000
	Kurt Ohlsen	M	Sea Star	Fin	15	1000
	Grant Lacey	M	Sea Star	Albacore	15	500
	Mark Kerner	M	Sea Star	Albacore	24	500
SHGFC	Brian Jones	M	Sunset Marine	Fin		1000
KGFC	Geoff Jackson	M	Ridgey-Didge	Mako		2000
KGFC	Ian Kilmore	M	Snoop N Round	Blue Shark	15	2000
		M	Snoop N Round	Fin	15	1000
		M	Snoop N Round	Fin	15	1000
	Trent Kilmore	M	Snoop N Round	Fin	15	1000
BBGFC	Matt Sherriff	M	Makaira	Blue Shark		2000
WGFC	Jonathan Frino	J	Skhuna 2	Whaler		2000
SGFC	Michael Dobson	M	Dobbo	Mako	24	2000
SGFC	Michael Dobson	M	Dobbo	Mako	24	2000
SGFC	Michael Dobson	M	Dobbo	Mako	24	2000
SGFC	Michael Dobson	M	Dobbo	Mako	15	2000
SGFC	Michael Dobson	M	Dobbo	Mako	24	2000
SGFC	Michael Dobson	M	Dobbo	Blue Shark	24	2000
WGFC	Adrain Loves	M	Khe Sahn	Fin		1000
WGFC	Peter Childs	M	Khe Sahn	Whaler		2000
WGFC	Peter Childs	M	Khe Sahn	Whaler		2000
WGFC	Peter Childs	M	Khe Sahn	Whaler		2000
WGFC	Peter Childs	M	Khe Sahn	Mako		2000
SGFC	Mario Camellie	M	More Charisma	Blue Shark	24	2000
PHGFC	Paul Barning	M	Dark Horse	Mako	24	2000
	Paul Barning	M	Dark Horse	Mako	24	2000
	Paul Barning	M	Dark Horse	Mako	24	2000
	Brad Ephinstone	M	Dark Horse	Mako	24	2000

Tournament Results Continued

Capture Results

Club	Angler	M,F,J,SF	Boat	Species	Line class	Weight	Points
BBGFC	Andrew Finney	M	Outcast	Mako	8	126	13711
BBGFC	Matthew Shirriff	M	Makaira	Fin	15	16.8	423
	Ben McAlpine	M	Makaira	Fin	15	18.4	508
	Matthew Shirriff	M	Makaira	Albacore	8	14.2	1096
	Matthew Shirriff	M	Makaira	Mako	15	108.4	2938
SGFC	Luke Wilson	M	Blue Murder	Mako	15	157.2	6178
	Lewis Doyle	M	Blue Murder	Mako	8	96.4	8422
	Lewis Doyle	M	Blue Murder	Blue Shark	6	146.8	15147
WGFC	John Frino	M	Skhuna 2	Blue Shark	15	142.6	2542
WGFC	Nicole Salmon-Seivers	F	Hammerhead	Blue Shark	15	186.4	4343
PHGFC	Jon Priddle	M	The Outlaw	Mako	10	177.6	15178
	Michael Hill	M	The Outlaw	Mako	10	220.4	15220
?	Damien Carr	M	Tantrum	Mako	6	84	11466
SGFC	Dave Lewis	M	Blue Heaven	Mako	15	96.6	2333
PHGFC	B Elphinstone	M	Dark Horse	Mako	24	123	1450
SGFC	Lenny Chippoff	M	Everwilling	Fin	15	15.8	374
SHGFC	Mick Valesic	M	Reserection	Fin	10	18.2	1143
KGFC	Craig Touky	M	Run A Muk	Mako	15	113	3192
KGFC	Daniel Ailsen	M	Run A Muk	Mako	15	148	5476
KGFC	Luke Wilkinson	M	Ridgey-Didge	Blue Shark	6	77.2	4842
	Geoff Jackson	M	Ridgey-Didge	Blue Shark	6	77.8	4918
WGFC	Jessica Munn	SF	Jester	Mako	15	88.4	1954
SHGFC	Jason Magyour	M	Catman	Whaler	15	165.2	6823
SHGFC	Mick Valesic	M	Reserection	Blue Shark	6	176.4	15176
WGFC	Peter Childs	M	Khe Sahn	Mako	24	213.4	4364
BBGFC	Andrew Finney	M	Outcast	Blue Shark	6	192.4	15192
BBGFC	Andrew Finney	M	Outcast	Mako	6	110	15110
BBGFC	Mitchell Ryan	M	Outcast	Whaler	15	98.8	2440
WGFC	Genelle Murphy	F	Murphy's Lore	Mako	15	184.2	8482

Port Hacking Central Zone Results 2007

Capture

Champion Club	Botany Bay GFC		63,361.3
	Sydney GFC		62,518.0
	Broken Bay GFC		47,710.0
	Port Hacking GFC		31,848.0
	Wollongong GFC		27,063.0
Champion Boat	Outcast	Botany Bay GFC	47,129.6
	The Outlaw	Port Hacking GFC	31,848.0
	Avanti	Broken Bay GFC	30,278.1
Champion Male Angler	Lewis Doyle	Blue Murder- Sydney GFC	23,569.0
	Luke Wilson	Blue Murder / Tantrum- Sydney GFC	21,349.6
	Michael Hill	The Outlaw - Port Hacking GFC	15,220.0
Champion Female Angler	Danelle Williams	Razorback - Botany Bay GFC	11,266.7
	Genelle Murphy	Murphy's Lore - Wollongong GFC	8,482.0
	Nicole Salmon-Seivers	Hammerhead- Wollongong GFC	4,343.0
Champion Junior Angler	Jessica Munn (SF)	Jester - Wollongong GFC	1,954.0
Heaviest Shark	Michael Hill	220.4 kg Mako Shark	
Heaviest Marlin	N/A		
Heaviest Other Gamefish	Peter Childs	29 kg Yellowfin Tuna	

Tag & Release

Champion Club	Sydney GFC		26,500.0
	Port Hacking GFC		26,000.0
	Botany Bay GFC		18,000.0
	Wollongong GFC		15,000.0
	Broken Bay GFC		0.0
Champion Boat	Dark Horse	Port Hacking GFC	14,000.0
	Dobbo	Sydney GFC	12,000.0
	Minx	Botany Bay GFC	10,000.0
Champion Male Angler	Michael Dobson	Dobbo - Sydney GFC	12,000.0
	Paul Barning	Dark Horse - Port Hacking GFC	10,000.0
	Peter Childs	Khe Sahn - Wollongong GFC	8,000.0
Champion Female Angler	Genelle Murphy	Murphy's Lore - Wollongong GFC	2,000.0
	Danelle Williams	Razorback - Botany Bay GFC	2,000.0
Champion Junior Angler	Jonathon Frino	Skhuna 2 - Wollongong GFC	2,000.0
	Jake Henderson	Everwilling - Sydney GFC	1,000.0
Champion Angler Billfish	N/A		
Champion Angler Shark	Michael Dobson	6 Sharks	12,000.0
Champion Angler O/G	Mat Shine	3 Yellowfin Tuna 1 Albacore Tuna	3,500.0

Calendar of Events



September 2007		
14 th to 16 th	15 th Annual open Tournament (central Zone Round 1)	Wollongong GFC
28 th to 30 th	Port Hacking 100 Tournament (central Zone Round 2)	Port Hacking GFC
October 2007		
8 th	Wollongong GFC Monthly Meeting	
20 th & 21 st	Wollongong GFC Night Fish	
November 2007		
9 th To 12 th	Caterpillar Hot Current Tournament	Coffs Harbour GFC
10 th & 11 th	Shoalhaven Light Tackle Tournament	Shoalhaven GFC
12 th	Wollongong GFC Monthly Meeting	
17 th	NSWGFA Full Council Meeting	NSWGFA
23 rd to 25 th	White Sands Tournament	Huskisson G & SFC
December 2007		
2 nd	Wollongong Christmas Day Venue to be decided	NO POINT SCORE DAY
8 th & 9 th	Wollongong GFC Night Fish	
January 2008		
4 th to 12 th	The Golden Lure Tournament	Port Macquarie GFC
	Southern Zone Interclub Tournament	Kiama
14 th	Wollongong GFC Monthly Meeting	
25 th To 27 th	Bill Heyward Memorial Tournament (Central Zone 3)	Botany Bay GFC
February 2008		
1 st To 3 rd	Jess Sams Ulladulla Open Tournament	Ulladulla S & GFC
1 st to 3 rd	Big Fish Bonanza Tournament	Lake Macquarie GFC
2 nd or 3 rd	Wollongong GFC Ladies & Juniors Day	
8 th To 10 th	Annual Tournament	Shellharbour GFC
11 th	Wollongong GFC Monthly Meeting	
23 rd to 24 th	Riveria 2008 Interclub Tournament	Port Stephens
March 2008		
1 st & 2 nd	Riveria 2008 Interclub Tournament	Port Stephens
10 th	Wollongong GFC Monthly Meeting	
14 th To 16 th	Broken Bay G/Fish Invitational Tournament (Central Zone)	Broken Bay GFC
21 st & 22 nd	SGFC Easter Tournament (central Zone 5)	Sydney GFC
28 th to 30 th	Shoalhaven Open Tournament	Shoalhaven GFC
April 2008		
12 th to 13 th	Blowhole Big Fish Classic	Kiama GFC
14 th	Wollongong GFC Monthly Meeting	
19 th & 20 th	Wollongong GFC Night Fish	
25 th To 27 th	28 th Merimbula Open Tournament	Merimbula BG & LAC
May 2008		
3 rd & 4 th	Wollongong GFC Night Fish	
12 th	Wollongong GFC Monthly Meeting	
17 th To 19 th	Annual Yellowfin Tuna Tournament	Canberra GFC
June 2008		
7 th & 8 th	Annual Yellowfin Competition BBGFC	Batemans Bay
9 th	Wollongong GFC Monthly Meeting	
20 th To 22 nd	Merimbula Broadbill Tournament	Merimbula BG & LAC

Trophy List 2006/2007

Presidents Trophy: Champion boat capture
Skhuna II, 22955pts

Master Builders Trophy: Champion angler capture
Jonathan Frino, 9958pts

Mark Goodger Trophy: Junior angler capture
Jonathan Frino, 9958pts

George & Barbara Lee Trophy: Champion boat T'n'R
Khe Sahn, 146250pts

Mark McKinnery Trophy: Champion angler T'n'R 365
Adrian Loves, 72000pts

Hammerhead Trophy: Champion Junior T'n'R
Paul Duran, 6000pts

Southern Trophies Award: R/U Junior angler T'n'R
Jessica Munn, 3000pts

Tony Green Trophy: Champion male angler T'n'R
Adrian Loves, 72750pts

Leonie Forrester Trophy: Champion female T'n'R
Genelle Murphy, 15000pts

WGFC Trophy: Champion Female capture
Genelle Murphy, 4292

Shane Duffy Trophy: Champion small-fry T'n'R
Sam Bostock, 3000pts

Tom & Genelle Murphy Trophy: Champion small-fry capture
Emma Murphy, 928pts

George Bosley Trophy: Highest PS capture 10kg and under
Jonathan Frino, 9958pts

Keith Roberstson Trophy: Highest PS capture 15kg and over
Luke Wilkinson, 7744pts

Cobra Boat Trophy: Aggregate weight of sharks
Murphy's Lore, 262.4kg

Mark and Virginia Way Trophy: Most sharks T'n'R boat
Sea Ducer, 6

Mark and Virginia Way Trophy: Most billfish T'n'R boat
Khe Sahn, 6

Colin Forrester Trophy: Most tuna T'n'R Boat
Khe Sahn, 72

Keith Robertson Trophy: Most fish over 20kg captured
John Frino, 3

John Bessie Trophy: 1st marlin captured
Jonathan Frino, 18-03-07

Allen Tilsley Trophy: Highest PS tuna capture
Ron Kuhna, 2405pts

John Bessie Trophy: 1st marlin T'n'R
Adam Thorn, 26-01-07

Time and Tide Trophy: Heaviest marlin capture
Jonathan Frino, 65.8kg

Arthur Baker Trophy: Patrick Thomas Trophy: Highest PS
marlin anywhere/anytime capture
Jonathan Frino, 9958pts

Doug Henwood Trophy: Heaviest Shark on 15kg
Luke Wilkinson, 176kg Whaler

Ern Webb Trophy: Heaviest Tuna of the season
Shane Baker, 56.4kg

A R Yates Trophy: Heaviest Shark of the season
Luke Wilkinson, 176kg Whaler

Jim Browning Trophy: Highest PS winter angler capture
Luke Wilkinson, 19408pts

Skhuna II Trophy: Highest PS winter angler T'n'R
Paul Duran, 14000pts

R/U Champion boat capture
Murphys Lore, 14870pts

R/U Champion boat T'n'R
Sea Ducer, 22500pts

Night Fish Trophy: Capture
Simon Seivers, 5059pts

Night Fish Trophy: T'n'R
Simon Seivers, 4000pts

El Bandito Holiday Trophy: T'n'R
Greg Davies, 50000pts

Small-fry encouragement award
Jessica Munn

WGFC Golf Trophy
Rip'n'Tear

Photo Gallery - WGFC Tournament September 2007



LEFT: Set up the scales, huff and puff, checking gear, pending Aussie and World Blue shark record on 6kg caught by Andrew Finney on Outcast

BELOW: Nicole Salmon-Seivers Pending Aussie Record Blue shark on 15kg on Hammerhead

ABOVE: Weights recorder Adam Thorne in deep thought



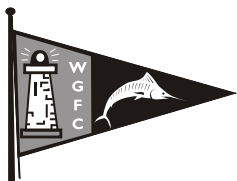
Photo Gallery - WGFC Tournament September 2007- Continued



Greg Elbanslepo
Barea with a rather
fresh Mako shark

BELOW: All the boys from Makaira after a successful day catching 2 Yellowfin, an Albacore and a Mako




WOLLONGONG GAME FISHING CLUB Inc

 Address ALL Correspondence to:
 PO Box 5126 WOLLONGONG NSW 2520

Membership Renewal / Application Form
MALE, FEMALE, JUNIOR (please circle) DATE _____

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

Post Code _____

Contact Numbers
Home: _____

Business: _____

Mobile: _____

Fax: _____

Email: _____

Please Circle your preferred Method of Communication:
Phone/Mobile Fax Email SMS Post

Have you ever at anytime been expelled from, suspended by, or been refused membership of or admission to any Club? _____

Date of Birth (Junior member only) _____

NEW MEMBER ONLY
Nominated: _____

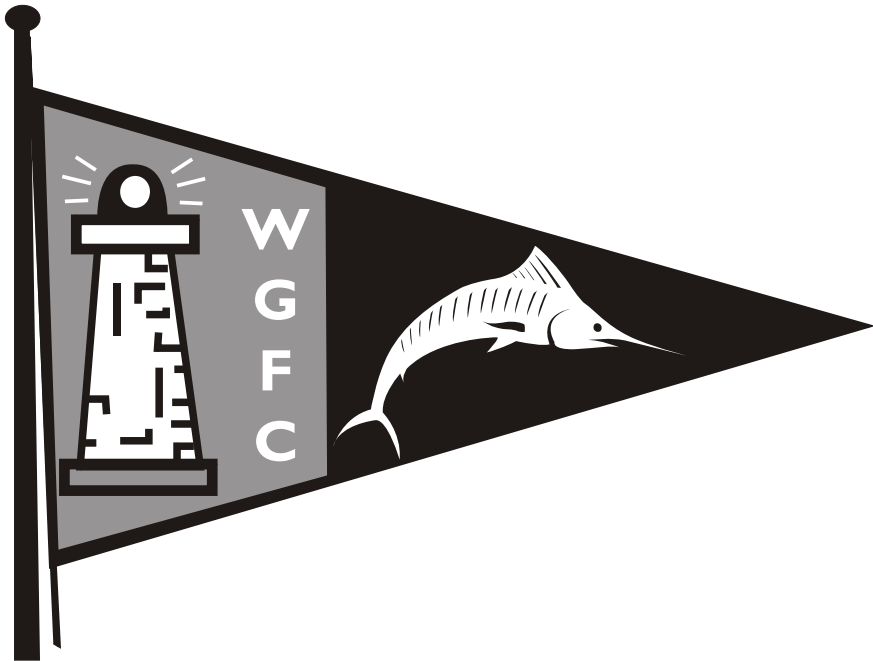
Seconded: _____

FEES

Adult Member	\$ 70.00
Junior Member	\$ 20.00 including membership to the G.F.A.A. Junior Tournament
One Day Member	\$ 25.00
Tournament/Weekend	\$ 35.00 (includes every day of the tournament)
Family	\$ 140.00 (Dad, Mum & 2 kids)
Nomination Fee	\$ 20.00 (New member or Late Payment of Membership Fees (Excluding Juniors))
Country Membership	\$ 35.00 Includes club benefits but excludes Fishing Rights

CLUB USE ONLY
Fees received by: _____ **Amount:** \$ _____ cash/chq

Committee approval date: _____ **(New member only)**
Membership Number: _____ **Membership Period:** _____



WOLLONGONG GAME FISHING CLUB Inc VESSEL REGISTRATION AND SAFETY DETAILS



Vessel Name _____

Vessel Skipper _____

Skipper Address _____

Boating License No. _____ Fishing License No _____

Contact Numbers Home _____

Business _____

Mobile On Vessel _____

Mobile _____

Regular Crew Name _____ Contact No _____

Name _____ Contact No _____

Name _____ Contact No _____

Make Of Vessel _____ Rego No _____

Length _____ Material _____

Colour of Hull _____ Colour Of cabin _____

Number of Engines _____ Fuel Type _____

Make Of Engines _____ Horsepower _____

Where Moored _____ Trailer Rego _____

Tow Vehicle Rego Details Rego No _____

Make _____

Model _____

Colour _____

Comments

WOLLONGONG GAME FISHING CLUB Inc Minimum Boat Safety Equipment

Boat	<5m	5 - 8m	8 - 12m	12m +	OK	Ok	Expire Date
E.P.I.R.B	1	1	1	1			
Compass - Fixed	1	1	1	1			
Chart / Map	1	1	1	1			
P.F.D (1 per person)	1	1	1	1			
Paddle or oars (single engine vessel)	1	1	1	1			
Bucket (2 liters with line)	1	0	0	0			
Bucket (9 liters with line)	0	1	1	1			
Bilge pump (min 45 liters per hour)	0	1	1	1			
Bilge pump (min 65 liters per hour)	0	0	0	1			
Water proof torch	1	1	1	1			
Anchor (s) with line	1	1	2	2			
Drinking water 2 liters per person	1	1	1	1			
Distress flares day & night	2ea	2ea	2ea	2ea			
"v" sheet/ NC flag	1	1	1	1			
Fire extinguishers	1	1	2	2			
Fire ext with cooking fuel on board	1	2	3	4			
Life buoy / Quoit + 30m line	0	0	1	1			
Horn or sound device	1	1	1	1			
Registered First aid kit	1	1	1	1			
27 MHz radio							
VHF Radio							
HF Radio							
Radar reflector							
Sea anchor							
Gps / Chart plotter							
Depth Sounder							

Copy Of insurance Papers provided _____ Policy Expires _____

2 photos Of Vessel Provided _____

I certify that this is an accurate statement of equipment on board the vessel as at the date of inspection.

Skipper print _____ Sign _____

W.G.F.C Safety Officer print _____ Sign _____

Rep Of Water ways or Water police _____

Date Of Inspection _____

Comments.

WOLLONGONG GAME FISHING CLUB

The Application For The Apprentice Deckie of the Year Award.



Name _____

Boat _____

Age _____

Male, Female, Junior,
Small Fry, Other: _____

- Organize and distribute berly (preferably over the side)
- Drive the boat while the skipper sleeps of a hangover.
- Place the correct lures in the water without loosing the rod.
- Trace a fish as it comes along side.
- Use of a fixed Gaff.
- Use of a flying Gaff.
- Use of a Tag Pole.
- Filling out all the correct paper work and gets it right.
- Correctly rig baits (Dead & Live)
- Find and pass the appropriate beverage to the crew when yelled at.
- Works the deck well under extreme pressure.
- Maintains a good lookout for passing fish.
- Stocks the live well when no one else can.
- Launch & retrieve the boat under any conditions.
- Manage a GPS unit and tell the skipper he is wrong.
- Wash clean and stow all the gear after fishing while the rest enjoy a Beer or 2 or 3.
- Correctly rig Lures of all shapes and sizes.
- Knows the Rules & Regs of by heart to tell the crew when they get it wrong.
- Operate Video or Camera equipment and capture the shots needed.
- Other Task Over and above Minimum Requirements

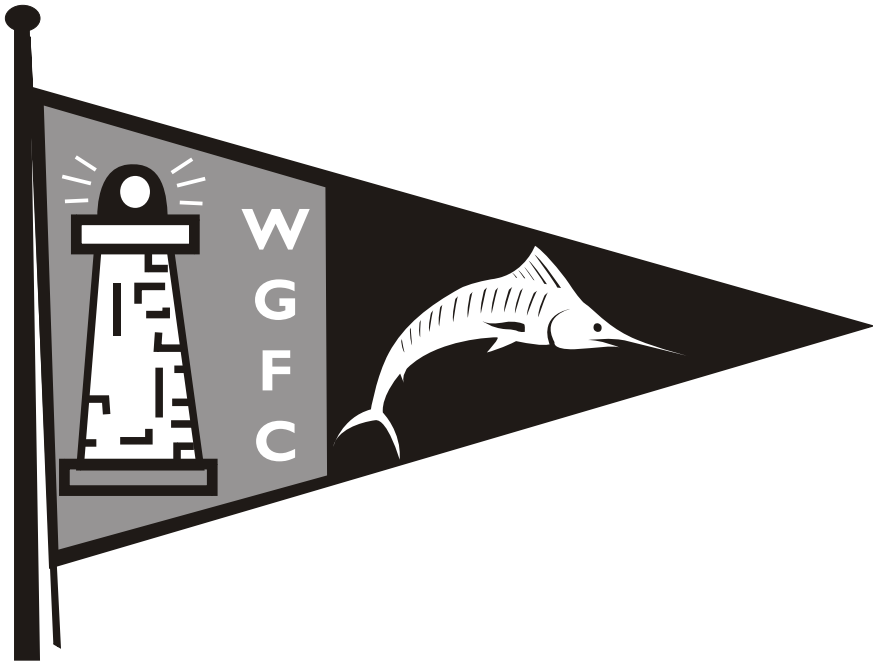
If you are a Wollongong GFC Member and you and you may think that your Deckie might be worthy of an Award at the end of the year, fill this form out and make sure you get it to the club as soon as you can. It doesn't matter if you are 5 or 95 this is an award that will be judged by the committee at the end of the year for outstanding duties preformed while at sea. So to help your Deckie improve his or her skills and take out the award yell at them a little more get them to run the boat beg clean and scrub but Rember to always enjoy your day.

Wollongong Game Fishing Club INC. Holds no responsibility for any deckie suffering from stress or other related mental or physical illness caused by the skipper or crew aboard a said boat while at sea



Signed by Skipper _____

Date _____



WOLLONGONG GAME FISHING CLUB

First Marlin Capture / Tag & Release Application .

Name of Lucky Angler: _____

Capture / Tag & Release _____

Date you think you did it: _____

Time it May have happened: _____

Location (I won't tell anyone): _____

Boat It was done on: _____

Male, Female,
Junior, Small Fry, Other: _____

Line Class, The Stuff That Didn't Break _____



If you are a Wollongong GFC Member and you managed to have the luck of the day, And you may think that your marlin might be worthy of a certificate or in the running for a Trophy at the end of the year, fill this form out and make sure you get it and all other Capture and or Tag & Release Forms to the clubs Weight Recorder before your 28 Days runs dry.



WOLLONGONG GAME FISHING CLUB

The 1. 1 .0. Application For The BIGGEST Loser Award.

Name of Unlucky Angler: _____

Capture / Tag & Release _____

Date you did it: _____

Time you wish it didn't happened: _____

Time Of Fight _____

Location (I won't tell anyone): _____

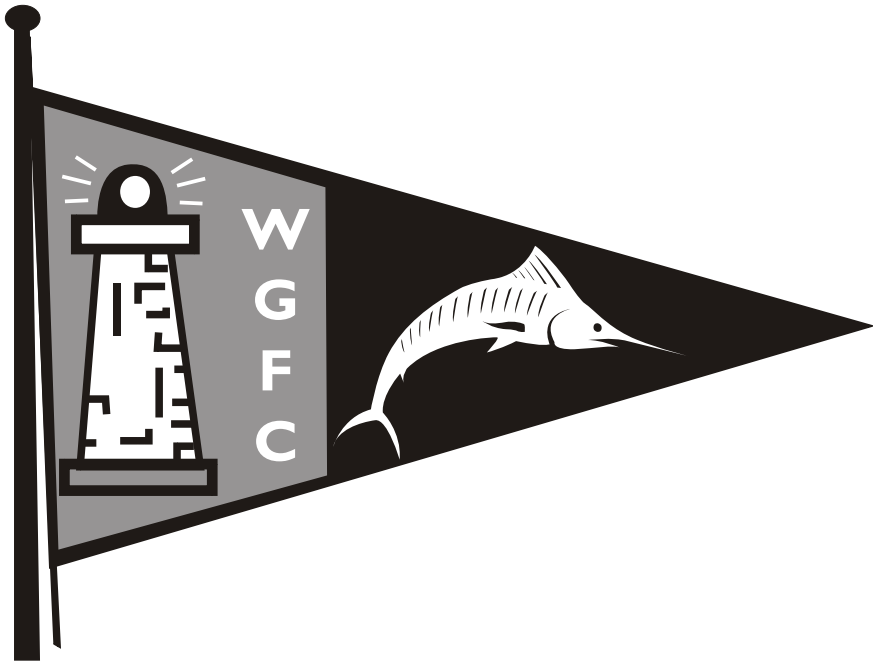
Boat It was done on: _____

Male, Female,
Junior, Small Fry, Other: _____

Line Class, Who tied that Knot _____

If you are a Wollongong GFC Member and you managed to have the unluckiest day on the water, And you may think that your Fish or Shark might be worthy of a Losers certificate or in the running for a Trophy at the end of the year, fill this form out and make sure you get it and all other Capture and or Tag & Release Forms if you have any to the clubs Weight Recorder before your 28 Days runs dry.
Hey Rember That's Fish'n







LEFT: Angler Michael Hill and
BELOW - Crew from The Outlaw
with the heaviest shark for the
Tournament - a 220.4kg Mako.
Congratulations on a great catch!!!



Photo Gallery - Presentation Night



Presentation Night and some of the award winning anglers and boat teams from the club.

Central Zone Rules 2007-2008

The Zonal Chairman, who represents N.S.W.G.F.A., organises Central Zone Tournaments on behalf of the Zone's registered Clubs. The Tournaments are open to all financial members of Central Zone Clubs. These Clubs are:

Broken Bay Game Fishing Club
Sydney Game Fishing Club
Botany Bay Game Fishing Club
Port Hacking Game Fishing Club
Wollongong Game Fishing Club

Any future clubs that are accepted within the Zone can participate.

1.1 Zonal Waters

Central Zone Waters are the coastal waters within the bounded areas by **32.50 000S** in the north and **35.06.000S** in the south.

1.2 Boat Registration

All Boats wishing to fish the Central Zone Competition **must be registered** with their respective clubs **and comply with their Club Safety Rules**. Each Club must provide the Central Zone Chairman with a copy of the Boat Registration Form for all boats intending to fish Central Zone. This form must provide a photo of the vessel and all other information relating to Safety, Radios and information that may be of use for safety purposes. **No boat shall participate in any Zone event without compliant requirements.**

1.3 Event Registration

Club Secretaries must advise the Central Zone Chairman of the name of Boats competing and the number of anglers attending the Saturday Night BBQ by 7.30pm on the Wednesday before the Tournament.

The Zone Chairman will advise the Host Club for arrangements to be made for berthing, food and all other facilities required. All entries after 7.30pm on the Wednesday will be considered a 'Late Entry' and will attract an additional fee of \$20.00. **NO** entries will be accepted after 7.30pm on the Friday evening preceding the event.

1.4 Entry Fee / Boat Registration

The entry fees are **\$20.00** per boat for each weekend and must be presented to the Zonal Chairman on the Saturday Night of the event. Alternatively an **Annual Fee of \$75.00** can be paid through each Club Secretary prior to or at the commencement of the Season. **It will still be necessary for Skippers to enter their Boat for every round of the Central Zone Tournament** through their Club Secretary whether they have paid in advance or not.

Note: No refund will be paid for a boat paying an annual fee that misses any round of the competition.

A **Registration Book** provided by the Zonal Chairman will list the participating boats in each Club. **Two competing anglers from each boat must sign this Registration Book**. If the book is not signed, **no points will be eligible for the Boat or Club**. If a Club advises the Central Zone Chairman that a boat is registered and the boat does not participate in the event, **the Club must still pay the Fee and payment must be remitted on the evening of the event.**

1.5 Saturday Evening Meal

The Host Club will provide a meal on the Saturday Night at a Maximum Charge of **\$20.00** per head. If the host club has an alternative selection of food they can make this available to participating anglers. Anglers are requested to participate in the evening meal provided by the Host Club.

1.6 Angling Committee

In the event of any disputes, protests etc the Angling Committee will consist of the Club Presidents (or their representatives) under the Chairmanship of the Central Zone Chairman. Should the Central Zone Chairman be unavailable then the Host Club President shall Chair the Meeting. If a rule relating to competition is not specifically covered under the Central Zone Rules then the Tournament rules of the host club will apply to all boats and Anglers whether entered in the host Club's tournament or not.

1.6a Conduct

It is the expectation that all participants will conduct themselves in a responsible and courteous manner to the Tournament Officials, other Competitors and the general public at all times during a tournament. Penalties for misconduct may include loss of points or disqualification from a Central Zone tournament round.

1.7 Bad Weather

To avoid taking unnecessary risks in the event of bad weather, the Host Club Tournament committee will decide whether the day will be a tournament day or not. Skippers should establish contact with the Tournament Committee if they consider the event will not or may not proceed.

In the event of the Weather Bureau issuing a weather report which is a "Gale Warning" or a higher category of warning affecting a particular day of the Tournament then the Host Club will automatically cancel that day's fishing. If a "Gale Warning" or higher category of warning is issued after the commencement of fishing only those fish captured or tagged at the time fishing is cancelled or prior will count towards pointscore. Any fish still being played which is subsequently captured or tagged will not

count towards the Club, Boat or Angler's pointscore for Central Zone or the Saturday night awards. On the issuing of a "Gale Waring" or "higher category of waring" all Boats should immediately return to Port.

It is the responsibility of every boat owner to be aware of the sea conditions and decide if these conditions are safe to operate in. The Zone Chairman, N.S.W.G.F.A or the Host Club shall in no way be responsible for any loss or damage, or injury occasioned by the vessel putting to sea or remaining at sea in conditions the vessel cannot operate safely in.

1.8 Ineligible Boats

The Host Club, or Central Zone Chairman, will advise via 2meg Channel 2284, VHF Channel 72 or 27Meg Channel 27.940 Radio on the Sunday, any participating boats not eligible to score points; i.e. non attendance or Register not signed by two crew members of the participating Boat at the Saturday Evening Meal / BBQ.

1.9 Communications

Communications will be conducted on 2Meg Channel 2284, 27Meg Channel 27.940 or VHF Channel 72. It is the Host Club's responsibility to provide 2 Meg and 27 Meg or VHF relay to Game Fish Base. Participating Boats must inform the Host Club if they Will be communicating on any other than 2 meg Channel 2284 before the event. In the event of a vessel not answering two consecutive radio schedules, the Host Club MUST proceed with ' Missing Vessel Report', as per current N.S.W.G.F.A regulations.

ANGLING RULES

Shall be per G.F.A.A and N.S.W.G.F.A Rules as published in each Association's Rule Book as current at the date of the Tournament Event.

2.1 Point Score

Capture	As per N.S.W.G.F.A Rules
Tag & Release	As per N.S.W.G.F.A Rules
Minimum Weights	As per N.S.W.G.F.A Rules

2.2 Weighing of Fish

a. Fish captured on Saturday must be weighed at the Host Club Weigh Station and will only be accepted when brought to the station by boat. Fish or Tag cards may NOT be delivered by any other means i.e. by road etc. In the event of an emergency or mechanical breakdown, the Central Zone Chairman, or his delegate may waive this rule. Boats seeking to have the rule waived must first contact the Host Club, who will relay the request to the Central Zone Chairman and await instructions before making alternative arrangements. If the Central Zone Chairman is not available, the Host Club will advise.

b. Fish caught on Sunday may be weighed at the

competing boat's homeport. Details must be reported to the Central Zone Chairman as per rule 2.3b.

2.3 Recording of Tag & Release

a. Tag & Release cards for Saturday must be accompanied by a Capture Certificate and be presented to the Weigh Master and to the Central Zone Chairman at the Host Club. NB: Tag & Release Cards will only be accepted from boats berthing at the Host Club on the Saturday Night, subject to Rule 2.2a.

b. Tag & Release results for Sunday must be communicated to the Central Zone Chairman by respective Club Secretaries by Facsimile, Mail or Email (TELEPHONE CALLS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED) BY **4.30PM ON THE THURSDAY FOLLOWING THE TOURNAMENT.** Tournament results that are **NOT** received by 4.30pm on the following Thursday **WILL NOT BE COUNTED.**

All Tag & Release cards or accompanying Capture Certificates must clearly show **the TIME the fish was Tagged & Released.** Tag & Release cards not showing the time of release will be deemed last for the day in the case of a count back.

2.4 Recording of Captures

a. All Capture Certificates for Saturday must be presented to the Central Zone Chairman at the Host Club via the Weighmaster.

b. Capture results for Sunday must be communicated to the Central Zone Chairman as for Tag & Release Rule 2.3b. All Capture Certificates must clearly show **THE TIME** of Capture.

PLEASE NOTE:

Strict adherence to Rules 2.3b and 2.4b will allow the Central Zone Chairman to have complete results of the Tournament back to Club Secretaries within seven (7) days

2.5 Radio Schedule

Wollongong

Ten (10) Minutes **PAST** the hour, starting at 8.10am

Port Hacking

Twenty (20) Minutes **TO** the hour, starting at 8.40am

Botany Bay

Ten (10) Minutes **TO** the hour, starting at 8.50am

Broken Bay

Twenty (20) Minutes **PAST** the hour, starting at 7.20am

Sydney

Ten (10) Minutes **PAST** the hour, starting at 9.10am

2.6 Fishing Dates

Wollongong G.F.C
15th and 16th of September 2007

Port Hacking G.F.C.
29th and 30th of September 2007

Botany Bay G.F.C.
26th and 27th of January 2008

Broken Bay G.F.C
15th and 16th of March 2008

Sydney G.F.C
5th and 6th of April 2008

3.1 Fishing Times

As per Host Club's times. The Sched Boat will remind everyone of times on the first two scheds. Club times are as follows for 2006/2007:

	Start	Finish
Wollongong	6.00am	5.30pm (Saturday)
	6.00am	3.00pm (Sunday)
Port Hacking	8.00am	5.00pm
Botany Bay	7.30am	5.00pm
Broken Bay	7.00am	5.20pm(Saturday)
	7.00am	4.00pm (Sunday) **
Sydney	7.00am	5.00pm

**** Note the clarification for Wollongong & Broken Bay on Sunday**

3.2 Saturday Awards

Only Capture and Tag and Release results recorded by 8.00pm will be eligible for Saturday Awards for a Sponsor's contribution for the highest point scoring **BOAT** in both Capture and Tag & Release and a bottle of Scotch for the winning **ANGLERS** for the days results. In the event of a tie, a '**Count Back**' will decide the winner.

3.3 Trophies

The following list of Trophies will be presented at the Annual Central Zone Dinner to be arranged by the Central Zone Chairman.

Points for Captures by Honorary Members will be counted as Boat Points only and will not qualify for Angler Trophies.

Capture

Champion Club & Runner Up
Champion Boat & Runner Up
Champion Male Angler (Adult)
Champion Female Angler (Adult)
Champion Junior Angler***
Heaviest Billfish
Heaviest Shark
Heaviest Other Game Fish

Tag & Release

Champion Club and Runner Up
Champion Boat and Runner Up
Champion Male Angler (Adult)
Champion Female Angler (Adult)
Champion Junior Angler ***
Champion Angler Billfish
Champion Angler Shark
Champion Angler Other Game Fish

***** JUNIOR ANGLERS** A junior angler becomes a senior angler on his/her 16th birthday.

CHAMPION CLUB & RUNNER UP to be decided by adding together the scores of the top five boats only from each Club. The scores for the top five boats will not be cumulative from one competition weekend to another, but the top five boats on each weekend will qualify. This applied to both Capture and Tag & Release.

4.1 Contact Numbers

Broken Bay G.F.C	John Paton	0428 297 513
Sydney G.F.C.	Glenn Wright	0418 440455
Botany Bay G.F.C.	Bret Matterson	0425247004
Port Hacking G.F.C.	Peter Talbot	0410 511 223
Wollongong G.F.C.	Simon Seivers	0412 386 780

4.2 Central Zone Chairman

Mr Bryce Robert Henderson
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(Home) Number;- (02) 9918 3595
Mobile;- 0413 941444
Fax;- (02) 9918 5995
Email: brhenderson@optusnet.com.au

4.3 Central Zone Administration

Clubs within the Central Zone may approach the Zonal Chairman for assistance with regard to N.S.W.G.F.A matters and any matter that may consolidate the Members and Associations relationship. Clubs may have special projects that the Zone can financially contribute to. It is the Zonal Chairman's responsibility to administrate the Zone in all aspects with regard to the Zone Clubs' requirements, taking into consideration financial and governing regulations.

WGFC Fishing Rules

1. Fishing Days

a) Summer Point-score

The first point-score days will be the Saturday and Sunday of the first full weekend in September and generally there after every FULL weekend of the month until the end of the season being the 3rd FULL weekend in May, including the Monday following that third full weekend. The exact point-score days are to be documented in the Club's Fishing Calendar.

All NSWGFA Sanctioned Tournaments that fall on our regular point-score calendar are included in our Summer Point-score. Additional point-score days will be selected Tournaments, Sanctioned by NSWGFA. The selection of these Tournaments will be decided by the Executive Committee to decide, with all members notified by mail or email.

Any changes/additions to the Club's fishing calendar must be made by the Committee and all members informed by mail or email twenty - one (21) days prior to the additional point-score day/time.

b) Winter Point-score

Fishing times are ANY day, being weekday or weekend from the first day after Summer Point-score ends till the day prior to Summer Point-score begins, fishing within club waters unless representing the club at a sanctioned tournament.

2. Fishing Times

Fishing on point-score days will be between the hours of 6.00 am and 7.00 pm of each day. No burleying shall commence before the nominated starting time. (Bait may be gathered before this time). Where a fish is hooked but not boated before finish time, it may continue to be played and if captured, will be eligible for point-scoring. The hook up must be notified to the radio boat or any other club boat available.

The clubs' fishing times are between 6am 7pm on every weekend of each month. When representing the club, each member is governed by the host clubs' finishing fishing times, which is sometimes 4:30pm 5:00pm. However, the boats representing WGFC that are away from zonal waters on our designated fishing weekends and have called off with tournament base can continue fishing till 7pm, but have to sign on with the local coast guard.

The Inter club Midweek Tournament being held on a Wednesday is to be included as a point-score day for representing boats.

3. Areas for Fishing for Point-score Trophies

3.1

a) On normal and special point-score days, registered boats with the WGFC may **fish from and to** any port between **Sydney Heads to the North and Jervis Bay to the South. 35.14.000**

b) All captures must be weighed on the digital scales, provided by WGFC and located at the gantry at Belmore Basin, Wollongong Harbour. An exception will be made for boats fishing in Tournaments listed on the club's fishing calendar who are required to use the host club's weighing facilities.

c) The capture certificates, properly completed, must be in the hands of the Secretary or Recorder not later than twenty eight (**28**) days from the date of capture. It is the responsibility of the angler to make the necessary arrangements with the Secretary, or in their absence, the Weights Recorder.

3.2 When fishing in a Sanctioned Tournament, which is listed on the Club's Fishing Calendar, it is permissible to fish within the Host Club's fishing boundaries.

For the purpose of Club Record Captures, the capture shall be deemed acceptable **if it is:**

- Captured in accordance with NSWGFA and GFAA Rules **and**
- Captured in the Wollongong Game Fishing Club Area/Zone **or**
- Captured whilst representing WGFC in a Sanctioned Tournament within NSW Coastal Waters **or**
- Captured on any day of the year.

4. Point-score (Captured Fish) and Line Class

Point-scoring will be in accordance with NSWGFA rules and will be determined from the method adopted at the time. The minimum line class acceptable for WGFC point-score trophies is **4kg** except for sharks, which is **6kg**.

- The current factor system is:

4kg x 29.5	15kg x 7.5
6kg x 19.5	24kg x 4.6
8kg x 14.5	37kg x 3.0
10kg x 11.5	60kg x 1.7

For calculation purposes points shall be scored as follows:

Factor X (Weight of Capture)²

Line Class

- Blue Sharks will score one quarter of the above points.
- All other Sharks will score one half of the above points.
- Billfish will score double points.
- All Other Game Fish will score triple points.
The maximum amount of points on all line classes up to and including 10kg will be 15,000 and on 15kg and over will be 20,000.
- Any fish scoring maximum points will have one point per kilo of weight added to the maximum point-score..
- Minimum weight of Sharks will be 60kg for line class 10kg and under, and 80kg for line class 15kg and over or double, whichever is greater.

- i) Minimum weight of Marlin will be 60kg for line class 10kg and under, and 80kg for line class 15kg and over.
- J) Minimum weight of Other Game Fish is equal to line class used, except for Yellow Fin Tuna where a minimum weight of 15kg (**line class for Juniors & Sub Juniors**) will be in force.
- k) A Shark will be disqualified if after it takes a bait, it has not been struck, hooked and fought by the angler in such a manner so that a minimum of **30 metres** of line is pulled from the reel under strike drag of ¼ of the line class used.
- l) Additional Sub Junior Point-score System, eligible for juniors aged 11 and under (inclusive). They are also able to take out the Junior section and open sections if the fish beats all other competition.
- m) In relation to sub section (L) Striped Tuna, Mack Tuna and Kawa Kawa are eligible for JUNIOR/SUB-JUNIOR PERSONAL POINTSCORE & APPLICABLE TROPHIES ONLY.

NOTE:

- a) Mahi Mahi & Yellowtail Kingfish maximum of 5 fish per person per day with a maximum of 10 per boat per day, each species - Tag & Release Only.
- b) White Sharks & Grey Nurse Sharks have been removed from the Tag & Release Pointscore. These Fish are Protected Species and are not allowed to be tagged
- c) Only approved Billfish tags will be accepted as per change of regulations when tagging marlin (Billfish) for start of season 1st July 2006.
- d) Billfish only Tags are to used on Billfish the tagging of other fish or sharks will render your tag points and or fish disqualified and ineligible.
- e) Kingfish tag points have been reduced from 250 points to 25 points

5.Tag and Release

Tag and Release 365 days of the year Trophy Areas of fishing is in any port between **Sydney Heads to the North and Jervis Bay to the South 35.14.000**, or when fishing a Sanctioned Tournament by NSWGFA anywhere in NSW waters. This Trophy of 365 days a year starts the day after the end of our Summer Season and ends the last day of our Summer Season.

Rules for Tag and Release will be in accordance with NSWGFA Tag and Release rules and point-score in force at the time.

Winter Point-score Tag & Release Angler Trophy - Areas of fishing is in any port between **Sydney Heads to the North and Jervis Bay to the South**, or when fishing a Sanctioned Tournament by NSWGFA anywhere in NSW waters. The fishing times for the trophy are ANY day, being weekday or weekend from the first day after Summer Point-score ends till the day prior to Summer Point-score begins.

Rules for Tag and Release will be in accordance with

NSWGFA Tag and Release rules and point-score in force at the time.

6.Radio Procedures

- a) Radio Sked will be held on **27940**.or VHF 72 All boats must answer skeds promptly. The times for the skeds are to be decided upon by the Executive Committee prior to the start of the Summer Season and all registered Skippers are to be notified in writing of these times.
- b) All positions at sea must be given as accurately as possible and be given as far as practicable by grid map reference on the charts provided.
- c) The three zero method of calling strike, hook up and capture should be used at all times.
- d) All boats fishing on any point-score day will log on and off with the Coastguard, Port Kembla. It would be preferred that for Club Tournaments, skeds are to be run by a host club vessel which is selected by the Executive Committee. Coastguard to remain as backup assistance.
- e) Where possible all strikes, hook ups and captures should be recorded (sked sheets will be provided) to enable accurate Club fishing statistics to be kept.
- f) Should weather conditions on a competition weekend be unsuitable, it is the Skippers responsibility to determine the capabilities of his craft and crew. The Wollongong GFC accepts **No Responsibility** for the **Safety of any Boat or Member** who fishes in conditions beyond the capabilities of his craft and crew.

7.Trophies

- a) All trophies will be awarded on the merit to the capture deemed most eligible by the Committee.
- b) Every angler must be a financial member of the WGFC at the time of capture to be eligible for trophies.
- c) Fish must be captured on a point-score day as defined in **Rule 1 and 2**.
- d) Fish must be captured within the Club Boundaries as defined in **Rule 3.1 and 3.2**
- e) All awards for point-score competition shall come under the heading of Trophies.

8. Weigh Station Etiquette

Failure to comply with the following rules will result in disqualification of Captures:

Disposal of Fish and Sharks:

- a) Skippers are responsible for the disposal of their captures. Fish or Sharks not required for eating/burley should be taken two **(2)** miles to sea and disembowelled prior to dumping.
- b) Leaving a Fish or Shark tied off to a boat in a harbour or mooring for period of more than twenty four **(24)** hours since weighing **must be notified to the President or member of the Executive Committee of situation**, (if immediate dumping not possible a member of the Committee must be notified at that time).

- c) Sale of Fish and Sharks.

NOTE: It is an offence for unlicensed fishermen to sell fish or to give fish to a licensed fisherman in NSW.

- d) The skipper must ensure that any blood, offal etc is to be removed from the area around the weigh station to ensure the area is left in as clean a state as possible.
- e) Please note that there are heavy fines for dumping fish in any harbour.

f) **THE PROCESS FOR DISQUALIFICATION**

There must be a meeting of the Committee to discuss the proposal to disqualify the capture. The skipper whose **Fish** or **Shark** is proposed to be disqualified will be advised **seven (7) days** prior to the meeting of the Committee and have the right to present his or her case at that meeting.

9. NSWGFA Tag and Release Rules

- a) All GFAA angling rules and equipment regulations apply until the fish is tagged.
- b) Tag poles must not exceed **4.57m (15ft)** overall in length.
- c) The tag pole or holding device must be in the hand when the fish is tagged.
- d) One or more persons, in addition to the person holding the leader, may tag or assist in tagging the fish.
- e) The tag needle must not protrude more than **50mm** from the end of the tag pole or holding device, nor shall it exceed **5mm** in diameter.
- f) A fish is considered tagged and released when the tag is secured to the fish.

10. Multiple Tagging

The multiple tagging of the same fish from the same vessel on the same day is **illegal**. In the event of a previously tagged fish being hooked and brought to the same vessel on the same day without prior knowledge of it being the same fish, it may be tagged and released again, however tag and release points would not be awarded. If the same fish is seen and it is not known that it has been tagged and released by that vessel on that day, it would be **illegal** to purposely bait and hook the fish. If there is any doubt that it is the same fish as previously tagged on that vessel the existing tag should be removed or the number recorded prior to release. If it is proven (by on board tag and release cards) that the fish was not previously tagged by that vessel on that same day, then tag and release points will be awarded.

The following acts will DISQUALIFY a Tag and Release

- a) Failure to comply with GFAA angling rules and equipment regulations or Tournament Tag and Release rules.
- b) Failure to comply with all other regulations that disqualify a Capture.
- c) Use of a gaff (other than release/jaw gaff for the purpose of tagging). A State Association, that

awards points for free release for tag species, shall approve no Tournament.

- d) No tag and release points shall be awarded in State Association approved Tournaments unless GFAA approved tags are used.

Comedy Corner

Computer talk.

A language instructor was explaining to her class that in French, nouns unlike their English counterparts are grammatically designated as masculine or feminine. "House," in French, is feminine - "la maison." "Pencil," in French, is masculine "le crayon."

One puzzled student asked, "What gender is computer?" The teacher did not know, and the word wasn't in her French dictionary. So for fun she split the class into two groups appropriately enough, by gender and asked them to decide whether "computer" should be a masculine or feminine noun. Both groups were required to give four reasons for their recommendation.

The men's group decided that computers should definitely be of the feminine gender ("la computer"), because:

1. No one but their creator understands their internal logic;
2. The native language they use to communicate with other computers is incomprehensible to everyone else;
3. Even the smallest mistakes are stored in long-term memory for possible later retrieval;
4. As soon as you make a commitment to one, you find yourself spending half your paycheck on accessories for it.

The women's group, however, concluded that computers should be masculine ("le computer"), because:

1. In order to get their attention, you have to turn them on;
2. They have a lot of data but they are still clueless;
3. They are supposed to help you solve problems, but half the time they ARE the problem;
4. As soon as you commit to one, you realize that if you'd waited a little longer, you could have gotten a better model.

Irish Vasectomy

After having their 11th child, an Irish couple decided that was enough, as they couldn't afford a larger bed.

So the husband went to his Doctor and told him that he and his wife didn't want to have any more children.

The doctor told him there was a procedure called a vasectomy that would fix the problem but it was expensive. He also told him that a costly alternative was to go home, get large firecracker, light it, put it in a beer can, then hold the can up to his ear and count to 10.

The husband said to the doctor, "Ahh, I may not be the Smartest guy in the world, but I don't see how putting a firework in a beer can next to my ear is going to help me with my problem."

"Trust me, it will do the job", said the Doctor.

So the man went home, lit a cracker and put it in a beer can. He held the can up to his ear and began to count: "1, 2, 3, 4, 5," at which point he paused, placed the beer can between his legs so he could continue counting on his other hand

Heavenly Food

Oyster tartlets.

Ingredients

4 x 4" Savoury tartlet casings
Jar oysters, or 20 fresh save juice
Rasher bacon finely diced
¼ cup vinegar
¼ cup dry white wine
2 x egg yolks
Extra virgin olive oil
Pepper, salt

Steam spinach till wilted, place into tartlets and put oysters and bacon on top.

Place under grill to warm through.

Heat wine, vinegar, oyster sauce and seasoning over a pot of boiling water.

Beat in egg yolks, slowly add oil whisking till the sauce thickens.

Pour sauce over tartlets and grill till golden brown.

From the Editors

The Dynamic Duo is back! Hope you like this bumper Christmas edition.

RONNY & THE REV



STOP PRESS: Peter Childs with an awesome Yellowfin approx 56kg, caught at the recent Coffs Harbour Tournament



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