



AUSTRALIAN ANGLERS ASSOCIATION, (WA DIVISION) INC.

**ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**



Held at Sports Association WA, Stancliffe Street,  
Mt Lawley  
At 7.30 pm, Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> August 2010



**1. OPEN MEETING**

The outgoing President, Pat Shinnick opened the AGM.

**2. PRESENT**

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|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Pat Shinnick, LAC                    | John Crompton, Esperance Surfcasters |
| George Holman, SCAC                  | Don Cox, Melville                    |
| James Strong, Denmark AC & Patron    | Russell Bunce, FAAC                  |
| Jason Pember, Melville Angling Club  | Marcia Pekaar, Northampton AC        |
| Terry Fuller, SCAC                   | Peter Pekaar, Geraldton AC           |
| Gary Evans, Mindarie & Districts SSC | Peter Stoeckel, Beachcombers         |
| Ian Cook, SCAC                       | Paul Frzop, Hillarys Yacht Club      |
| Chas Riegert, OSAC South Coastal     | Kevin Murphy, MAAC                   |

**3. APOLOGIES**

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|-------------------------------------|---------------------------|
| Diane McDonough Secretary/Treasurer | Des McClean, Mandurah OFC |
| Paul Longo, Perth Offshore Boating  | Joe Horvath, OSAC         |
| Warren Usher, Mandurah OFC          |                           |

**4. VISITORS**

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|---------------------------|----------------------------|
| John Palmer, Mandurah OFC | John Benniman, OSAC        |
| Vi Palmer, Mandurah OFC   | Martin Humbert, OSAC       |
| John Curtis, SCAC         | Paul Greenway, Melville AC |
| Laurie Birchall, OSAC     | Mark Hansen, Beachcombers  |
| Carolyn Benniman, OSAC    | Greg Walker, Beachcombers  |

**5. NEW MEMBERS OR PROXIES**

Nil

**6. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

Minutes of the 2009 AGM were distributed. It was moved by Don Cox and seconded by James Strong that the minutes be accepted as an accurate record.

**7. ERRORS OR OMISSIONS FROM MINUTES**

Nil.

**8. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES**

Nil.

**9. CORRESPONDENCE INWARDS**

Nil

**10. BUSINESS ARISING FROM CORRESPONDENCE**

Nil

**11. TREASURERS REPORT**

The AAAWA books of account have been audited by Aylmore & Associates. As per the funding agreement with Recfishwest, a copy of the following documents were provided to RFW on 4<sup>th</sup> August 2010:

- Completed and signed DSR Funding Acquittal Statement
- Copy of audited financial statements and signed auditor's report
- Report on how the RFW funding was utilised
- State Sporting Association Census

The AAAWA currently has 26 Affiliate Members, these being:

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| 1. Beachcombers Angling & Boating Club       | 15. Mindarie & Districts Sea Sport Club (Inc) |
| 2. Cockburn Power Boats Association          | 16. Northampton Districts Angling Club        |
| 3. Denmark Boating & Angling Club            | 17. Northern Districts Angling Club           |
| 4. Drifters Deep Sea Angling Club            | 18. Ocean Reef Sea Sports Club                |
| 5. Esperance Surfcasters                     | 19. Offshore Angling Club, Beach              |
| 6. Fremantle Amateur Angling Club            | 20. Offshore Angling Club, South Coast        |
| 7. Fremantle Sailing Club                    | 21. Offshore Angling Club, Mount Barker       |
| 8. Geraldton Angling Club                    | 22. Perth Offshore Boat Angling Club of WA    |
| 9. Hillarys Yacht Club                       | 23. Quinns Rocks Fishing Club                 |
| 10. Kalbarri Offshore Angling Club           | 24. Rockingham Offshore Fishing Club          |
| 11. Lancelin Angling & Aquatic Club          | 25. Surf Casting and Angling Club             |
| 12. Mandurah Offshore Fishing & Sailing Club | 26. Swan Yacht Club                           |
| 13. Marmion Angling and Aquatic Club         |   |
| 14. Melville Amateur Angling Club            |   |

The audited statements of account for the AAAWA were distributed to delegates at the AGM.

**Australian Anglers Association (WA Divn) Inc.  
Statement of Income and Expenditure  
1 July 2009 to 30 June 2010**

2008/2009	<u>Income</u>	2009/2010
\$3,830.00	Affiliation Fees	\$3,980.00
\$9,314.90	State Competitions	\$10,026.05
\$5,500.00	Grants Ministry of Sport and Recreation	\$5,500.00
\$0.00	Fishing Clinics	\$0.00
\$0.00	Funding - Other	\$0.00
\$40.00	Fishing Record Applications	\$10.00
\$81.49	Interest	\$66.26
\$0.00	Carnival Account Reimbursement	\$0.00
<b>\$18,766.39</b>		<b>\$19,582.31</b>
<b>-\$2,112.59</b>	Excess of Income over Expenditure	<b>-\$8.24</b>

**Australian Anglers Association (WA Divn) Inc.  
Statement of Income and Expenditure  
1 July 2009 to 30 June 2010**

2008/2009	<u>Expenditure</u>	2009/2010
\$6,000.00	Secretariat costs	\$6,000.00
\$561.00	Auditor's Fees	\$671.00
\$90.00	Email and website charges	\$180.00
\$474.08	Telephone	\$481.12
\$0.00	Photocopying	\$0.00
\$437.00	Postage	\$393.00
\$81.99	Stationery and Supplies	\$91.41

\$473.50	Subscription & Affiliation fees	\$830.20
\$7,892.65	State Championship Expenses	\$8,651.46
\$652.06	Angler of the Year	\$866.35
\$691.00	Insurances	\$691.00
\$0.00	Fishing Clinics	\$0.00
\$19.50	Publications	\$572.76
\$49.00	Dry Casting Trailer License	\$56.75
\$0.00	Travel	\$0.00
\$46.97	Newspaper Notices	\$0.00
\$0.00	Conferences	\$0.00
\$60.00	Records	\$15.50
\$257.81	Printer Supplies	\$90.00
\$2,000.00	Transfer to Carnival Account	\$0.00
\$0.00	Sponsorship	\$0.00
\$1,000.00	Carnival Account Expenses	\$0.00
\$0.00	Write-off Plant & Equipment	\$0.00
\$92.42	Depreciation Plant and Equipment	0.00
<b>\$20,878.98</b>		<b>\$19,590.55</b>

**Australian Anglers Association (WA Divn) Inc.  
Carnival Account  
1 July 2009 to 30 June 2010**

2008/2009	<u>Receipts</u>	2009/2010
\$0.00	Member's contributions for accommodation	\$0.00
\$0.00	Department of Sport and Recreation grant	\$0.00
\$0.00	Refunds	\$458.64
\$8.60	Interest	\$4.26
\$0.00	Air fares recouped	\$0.00
<b>\$8.60</b>	<b><u>Total receipts</u></b>	<b>\$462.90</b>

<u>Payments</u>		
\$0.00	AAA Carnival Clothing	\$0.00
\$0.00	Next Carnival registration	\$0.00
\$0.00	AAA Mid term Carnival Meeting 2009	\$0.00
\$0.00	Government debits tax	\$0.00
\$0.00	Distribution of DSR funds to participants	\$0.00
\$0.00	Deposit accommodation for Next Carnival	\$0.00
\$0.00	Carnival Expenses	\$0.00
\$0.00	Reimbursement of General Account for clothing costs	\$0.00
<b>\$0.00</b>	<b><u>Total payments</u></b>	<b>\$0.00</b>

**Australian Anglers Association (WA Divn) Inc.  
Carnival Account**

2008/2009	Bank Reconciliation Statement as at 30 June 2010	2009/2010
\$1,379.88	Bank balance at 1 July 2009	\$1,221.54
\$0.00	Outstanding cheques at 1 July 2009	\$0.00
\$2,569.06	Add receipts 2009/2010	\$462.90
\$3,948.94	Sub Total	\$1,684.44
-\$2,727.40	Deduct payments 2009/2010	\$0.00
\$1,221.54	Calculated bank balance at 30 June 2009	\$1,684.44
\$1,221.54	Actual bank balance at 30 June 2009	\$1,684.44
\$0.00	Outstanding cheques at 30 June 2009	\$0.00
\$1,221.54	Reconciliation:- available funds:-	\$1,684.44

**Australian Anglers Association (WA Divn) Inc.  
General Account**

**Bank Reconciliation Statement as at 30 June 2010**

\$22,269.46	Bank balance at 1 July 2009	\$20,156.87
\$0.00	Outstanding deposits as at 1 July 2009	\$0.00
\$0.00	Outstanding cheques at 1 July 2009	\$0.00
\$22,269.46	Actual funds available at 1 July 2009	\$20,156.87
\$18,766.39	Add deposits of income during 2009/2010	\$19,582.31
\$41,035.85	Sub Total	\$39,739.18
-\$20,878.98	Deduct expenditure cheques written/charges during 2009/2010	-\$19,590.55
\$20,156.87	Calculated bank balance at 30 June 2010	\$20,148.63
\$20,156.87	Actual bank balance at 30 June 2010	\$20,221.39
\$0.00	Outstanding deposits at 30 June 2010	\$0.00
\$0.00	Outstanding cheques at 30 June 2010	\$0.00
\$20,156.87	Reconciliation:- available funds:-	\$20,221.39

**Australian Anglers Association (WA Divn) Inc.  
Balance sheet as at 30 June 2010**

2008/2009	Assets	2009/2010
	<u>Current Assets</u>	
\$20,156.87	Westpac Bank - current account	\$20,221.39
	<u>Plant and Equipment</u>	
\$445.00	Opening Balance 1 July 2009	\$352.58
\$0.00	Minus write-offs during 2009/2010	\$0.00
\$0.00	Plus additions during 2009/2010	\$0.00
\$445.00	Sub total	\$352.58
-\$92.42	Deduct provision for depreciation	-\$72.76
\$352.58	Total for plant and equipment	\$279.82
\$20,509.45	<u>Total Assets</u>	\$20,501.21
	<u>Liabilities</u>	

<u>Accumulated Funds</u>		
\$22,622.04	Balance at 1 July 2010	\$20,509.45
-\$2,112.59	Add Excess of income over expenditure	-\$8.24
<u>\$20,509.45</u>		<u>\$20,501.21</u>

Diane McDonough  
Treasurer - 5<sup>th</sup> August 2010

It was moved by Russell Bunce and seconded by Chas Riegert that the Treasurer's report be accepted.

## **12. PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

Again it has been a fairly difficult year in the AAA, with the introduction of numerous and onerous fishing rules imposed on all anglers alike, We had been involved with some of the consultation process, but don't feel that confident that we were taken too seriously, due to our trying to be proactive and consultative approach, but I certainly appreciated the feedback from all clubs and the assistance by those few who did care, However the positive out of the year was that the AAA still ran efficiently enough to provide its members with information and assistance wherever needed, and provided a vocal and focal point for issues that needed to be addressed for clubs and individuals. We will always try our best, remembering we are all but mere volunteers that appreciate the simple things in life that others may take for granted, and consult with others for the rights of fellow club members and public alike, then assist wherever possible, to help all to enjoy the wonderful relaxing pastime in fishing and enjoy the camaraderie of clubmanship.

**State AAA Events.** State AAA events took up a lot of our time. The first was the State Dry Casting in October 2009. The quality of the casting was excellent, people jumped in and assisted where necessary and made for a great event, personally I became involved, learnt a lot but found it difficult calling on people to come in and assist when I had no real choice, a few mistakes were made but we certainly learnt from it and found out those who wanted to make sure these events continue. Don Cox, Jason Pember and Russell Bunce have been the drivers on the AAA State Estuary, Rock and Beach group and with a small band of workers had conducted meetings to organise both events.

Both events, the Estuary at Attadale Troy Park Clubrooms Burke Drive, Rock and Beach at Jurien / Cervantes, ran smoothly. Thank you to Don, Jason and Russell, and all those who supported them, I know there was a strong showing from the Ocean Reef Sea Sports Club (ORSSC) this was pleasing from the organisers perspective and gave us all a lift that it was all worth while.

Don has also been a major organiser for the Melville Club's Swanfish event that is run every year for all categories, and is always well received within the general public. The AAA State Boating Championship was held at the Mandurah Offshore Fishing and Sailing Club (MOFSC) providing the venue for the weigh in and presentation area, this was a huge success. MOFSC organised the event with assistance from all other boating clubs and coordinated by the AAA. The attendance and positive results showed what can be achieved by good organisation, professionalism and the support of club members.

Weather was difficult during the day but some enjoyed staying out there (Did I say enjoyed) and some excellent catches were achieved. The competition is run allowing

only one fish of each species from an eligible species list. To the boating sub committee a big thank you from all of us for the great effort.

To all the various winners and overall champions, both individual and teams in all our State events go congratulations from all clubs and their members. results are detailed on the AAawa website <http://www.aaawa.iinet.net.au/>

### **National AAA Convention and Competitions.**

The mid-term meeting of the Australian Anglers' Association was held on 26 July 2010 at South West Rocks Country Club in NSW.

Our two representatives attending were George Holman and Peter Pekaar. Peter's wife, Marcia, also attended as an observer. All five States had two delegates present, and Graeme Dawber, Delegate for New Zealand, attended along with his wife, Anne.

Robert Smith (Federal President) chaired proceedings and tabled his report which concluded with:

- Where does our future head?
- Is our fishing as "AAA or State Divisions" a sport?
- Do you want it to continue?
- Do we need to change our outlook or expectations?
- Should we become an NSO – National Sporting Organisation, which has many benefits but no independence and plenty of down sides?

All Delegates present were aware of the need for efficient fisheries management due to dwindling fish stocks. However, there is a general fear amongst fishers that the actions of over zealous conservationists could influence an upward trend in the number of marine parks which in turn will lower the opportunity for recreational fishing in the future.

NSW presented the proposed 2011 Championship Programme and Venue which will be held at South West Rocks from 26 July to 11 August 2011, so make up a team and be part of the National competition, George and the crew indicated that these comps really are once in a lifetime experiences and is a wonderful event to attend, (no wonder George has gone to all of them).

During the AAawa year George Holman made a presentation of an honorary certificate to James Strong, expanding on his length of service and commitment to the AAawa as a backbone and father figure to the WA Division. He pointed out that only one other award of this type had ever been awarded by the AAA national body and that in order for it to be ratified it had to be supported by 100% of AAA presidents and delegates. George went on to say that there is no person more deserving of such an award than James Strong.

A lot of work went into preparing and sending a WA State team to Wallaroo in March 2009. The support of the Department of Sport and Recreation via Recfishwest has helped to make this possible and as a result we had a team travel across Australia to represent us, they all did us proud in the way they presented themselves on the day's competitions.

There is certainly a large personal cost to these individuals, but they are a committed lot and work together to achieve on Western Australia's behalf. Dry Casting is the main event they (AAawa Team) target at these conventions, but they get involved in all other fishing events where possible.

**Fisheries Management and Access.** In recent years there has been a lot of time spent dealing with many fisheries management and Marine Park issues. Our policy of working in a positive manner with Recfishwest and the Department of Fisheries and any other group involved in fisheries management and Marine Parks has certainly borne fruit, although the latest consultative process did not appear to work for the Boating sections,

but we must all take some pain to ensure that we retain the right to fish and enjoy the pastime for the future generations.

Thankfully we have a diligent representative and now a public voted Board member of the AAA on the Recfishwest board in Terry Fuller, we as a group are thankful and proud that Terry has represented us efficiently in this role and appreciate the overflow effect of Terry's infectious attitude.

**Records.** The role of the AAA National Records Authority has been clarified last year. At each National AAA convention since 1985, WA has been given the job of National records, and Richard Siudak and his team have been trying to update all the records.

Once again The records can be seen in the AAA website that Terry Fuller has assisted in providing for all and when given the chance has assisted by trying to keeping it up to date on the web, the latest reports etc are on the website.

Also a lot of records were located and have all been checked and accepted by the National records authority and passed at AAAWA delegates meetings, thank you all for working so hard to get them all together.

**Fishing Clinics.** Were not presented this year and have been programmed for 2011 year.

**AAAWA Website.** The Website is not continuously updated, but when materials are available from the AAAWA Secretary and officials Terry Fuller ALWAYS assists and we certainly would be lost without his assistance here, when you, look at what he has done on this website you fully appreciate the "voluntary" effort that he does, in keeping all informed, Terry was inducted into the honorary role of Life Member in his club (Surfcasting and Angling Club WA), and we all congratulate and Thank Terry for his efforts.

**New President.** I will be stepping down as president of the AAAWA as of this year, but will still be actively involved, I just believe my charter has been completed, I do believe I have achieved all that I set out to do, and thank all those for their obvious support.

*Pat Shinnick* President of the AAAWA 2009-2010

### 13. GENERAL BUSINESS

Delegates agreed that affiliation fees for the 2010-2011 year will remain at \$200 per annum, with reductions available to small clubs or those with limited financial means.

### 14. ELECTION OF OFFICE BEARERS

**The following office bearers were nominated and accepted:**

<b>President:</b>	Two nominations were made (John Curtis and Chas Riegert). John Curtis received 10 affirmative votes Chas Riegert received 3 affirmative votes 3 invalid votes were received John Curtis was declared President. He accepted the appointment and thanked delegates for their confidence.
<b>Senior Vice President:</b>	One nomination was made (George Holman). George Holman received 13 affirmative votes and 2 negative votes. George Holman was declared Senior Vice President.
<b>Junior Vice President:</b>	One nomination was made (Peter Pekaar) Peter Pekaar received 13 affirmative votes and 2 negative votes. He was declared Junior Vice President.
<b>Treasurer:</b>	No nomination was received for the position of Treasurer. Delegates agreed that Diane McDonough be appointed to the position.
<b>Secretary:</b>	No nomination was received for the position of Secretary. Delegates

	agreed that Diane McDonough be appointed to the position.
<b>Assistant Secretary:</b>	One nomination was made (Marcia Pekaar). Marcia Pekaar received 13 affirmative votes, 1 negative vote and 1 invalid vote was received. Marcia was declared Assistant Secretary.
<b>Publications Officer:</b>	No nomination was made.
<b>Trophy Officer:</b>	No nomination was made. In the past this role has been performed within each Sub-Group and this practice will continue.
<b>Records Officer:</b>	Two nominations were received (John Curtis and Ian Cook). John Curtis withdrew his nomination after his declaration as President. Ian Cook received 9 affirmative votes, 5 negative votes and 1 invalid vote. Ian Cook was declared Records Officer.
<b>Property Officer:</b>	No nominations were received.
<b>Competitions Officer:</b>	One nomination was made (Paul Frzop) Paul Frzop received 11 affirmative votes and 4 negative votes. Paul Frzop was declared Competitions Officer.
<b>Website Editor</b>	No nomination was made. Terry Fuller agreed to continue maintaining the website as in the past.
<b>Recfishwest Representative</b>	Terry Fuller was elected as RFW representative for two years in 2009. He received 13 affirmative and 2 negative votes to remain in the role. Terry Fuller was declared RFW representative.

## 15. CLOSE MEETING

The meeting closed at 9.48 pm.