



AUSTRALIAN ANGLERS ASSOCIATION, (WA DIVISION) INC. ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

**held at Sports Association WA, Stancliffe Street, Mt Lawley
At 7.30 pm, Tuesday 16th August 2010**

MINUTES

1. OPEN MEETING

President John Curtis opened the meeting at 8.45 pm and welcomed delegates and visitors.

2. PRESENT

Don Cox, Melville Amateur Angling Club
Russell Bunce, Fremantle Amateur Angling Club
Ian Cook, Records Officer
Peter Stoeckel, Beachcombers
Kevin Murphy, Marmion Angling & Aquatic Club
James Strong, Proxy – Denmark Angling & Boating Club
John Crompton, Proxy – Surfcasters Esperance
Terry Fuller, SCAC
George Holman, SCAC
John Curtis, President
Diane McDonough, Secretary/Treasurer

3. APOLOGIES

Pat Shinnick, Paul Longo, Paul Frzop, Marcia Pekaar, Peter Pekaar, Chas Riegert, Jason Pember

4. VISITORS

Mark Hansen, Wendy Hansen, Richard Siudak - AAARA Chairman

5. NEW MEMBERS OR PROXIES

Nil

6. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Minutes of the 2010 AGM were distributed. It was moved by James Strong and seconded by Don Cox the minutes of the 2010 AGM be accepted as an accurate record.

7. ERRORS OR OMISSIONS FROM MINUTES

Nil

8. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

Nil

9. TREASURERS REPORT

The AAABA books of account have been audited by Aylmore & Associates. As per the funding agreement with Recfishwest, a copy of the following documents have been prepared for submission to RFW:

- 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 25 Affiliate Members, these being:

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

**Australian Anglers Association (WA Divn) Inc.
Statement of Income and Expenditure
1 July 2010 to 30 June 2011**

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2009/2010	<u>Income</u>	2010/2011
\$3,980.00	Affiliation Fees	\$3,910.00
\$10,026.05	State Competitions	\$8,896.00
\$5,500.00	Grants Ministry of Sport and Recreation	\$5,500.00
\$0.00	Fishing Clinics	\$0.00
\$0.00	Funding - Other	\$66.53
\$10.00	Fishing Record Applications	\$94.00
\$66.26	Interest	\$66.88
\$0.00	Sponsorship	\$0.00
\$0.00	GST	\$0.00
\$0.00	Carnival Account Reimbursement	\$500.80
\$19,582.31		\$19,034.21
-\$8.24	Excess of Income over Expenditure	-\$1,220.72

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2009/2010	<u>Expenditure</u>	2010/2011
\$6,000.00	Secretariat costs	\$6,000.00
\$671.00	Auditor's Fees	\$495.00
\$180.00	Email and website charges	\$170.00
\$481.12	Telephone	\$452.60
\$0.00	Photocopying	\$0.00
\$393.00	Postage	\$452.00
\$91.41	Stationery and Supplies	\$57.91
\$830.20	Subscription & Affiliation fees	\$1,024.00
\$8,651.46	State Championship Expenses	\$8,135.40
\$866.35	Angler of the Year	\$216.25
\$691.00	Insurances	\$691.00
\$0.00	Fishing Clinics	\$0.00
\$500.00	Publications	\$0.00
\$56.75	Dry Casting Trailer License	\$57.30
\$0.00	Travel	\$2,036.52
\$0.00	Miscellaneous	\$105.00
\$0.00	Conferences	\$0.00
\$15.50	Records	\$119.90
\$90.00	Printer Supplies	\$164.00
\$0.00	Transfer to Carnival Account	\$0.00
\$0.00	Sponsorship	\$0.00
\$0.00	Carnival Account Expenses	\$0.00
\$0.00	Write-off Plant & Equipment	\$0.00
\$72.76	Depreciation Plant and Equipment	\$78.05
\$19,590.55		\$20,254.93

Australian Anglers Association (WA Divn) Inc.
Carnival Account
1 July 2010 to 30 June 2011

2009/2010	<u>Receipts</u>	2010/2011
\$0.00	Member's contributions for accommodation	\$1,222.45
\$0.00	Department of Sport and Recreation grant	\$0.00
\$458.64	Refunds	\$0.00
\$4.26	Interest	\$6.29
\$0.00	Air fares recouped	\$0.00
\$462.90	<u>Total receipts</u>	\$1,228.74

<u>Payments</u>		
\$0.00	AAA Carnival Clothing	\$940.28
\$0.00	Next Carnival registration	\$715.00

\$0.00	AAA Mid term Carnival Meeting	\$0.00
\$0.00		
\$0.00	Distribution of DSR funds to participants	\$0.00
\$0.00	Deposit accommodation for Next Carnival	\$0.00
\$0.00	Dry Casting weights	\$393.00
\$0.00	Reimbursements	\$283.48
\$0.00	Total payments	\$2,331.76

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

2009/2010	Bank Reconciliation Statement as at 30 June 2011	2010/2011
\$1,221.54	Bank balance at 1 July 2010	\$1,684.44
\$0.00	Outstanding cheques at 1 July 2010	\$0.00
\$462.90	Add receipts 2010/11	\$1,228.74
\$1,684.44	Sub Total	\$2,913.18
\$0.00	Deduct payments 2010/2011	-\$2,331.76
\$1,684.44	Calculated bank balance at 30 June 2011	\$581.42

\$1,688.44	Actual bank balance at 30 June 2011	\$1,689.42
\$0.00	Outstanding cheques at 30 June 2010	-\$1,108.00
\$1,688.44	Reconciliation:- available funds:-	\$581.42

General Account

2009/2010	Bank Reconciliation Statement as at 30 June 2011	2010/2011
\$20,156.87	Bank balance at 1 July 2010	\$20,221.39
\$0.00	Outstanding deposits as at 1 July 2010	\$0.00
\$0.00	Outstanding cheques at 1 July 2010	\$0.00
\$20,156.87	Actual funds available at 1 July 2010	\$20,221.39
\$19,582.31	Add deposits of income during 2010/2011	\$19,034.21
\$39,739.18	Sub Total	\$39,255.60
-\$19,517.79	Deduct expenditure cheques written/charges during 2010/2011	-\$20,176.88
\$20,221.39	Calculated bank balance at 30 June 2011	\$19,078.72

\$20,221.39	Actual bank balance at 30 June 2011	\$19,108.72
\$0.00	Outstanding deposits at 30 June 2011	\$0.00
\$0.00	Outstanding cheques at 30 June 2011	-\$30.00
\$20,221.39	Reconciliation:- available funds:-	\$19,078.72

Australian Anglers Association (WA Divn) Inc.
Balance sheet as at 30 June 2011

<u>2009/2010</u>	<u>Assets</u>	<u>2010/2011</u>
	<u>Current Assets</u>	
\$20,221.39	Westpac Bank - current account	\$19,078.72
	<u>Plant and Equipment</u>	
\$352.58	Opening Balance 1 July 2010	\$279.82
\$0.00	Minus write-offs during 2010/2011	\$0.00
\$0.00	Plus additions during 2010/2011	\$103.05
\$352.58	Sub total	\$382.87
-\$72.56	Deduct provision for depreciation	-\$78.05
\$279.82	Total for plant and equipment	\$304.82
\$20,501.21	Total Assets	\$19,383.54
	<u>Liabilities</u>	
	<u>Accumulated Funds</u>	
\$20,509.45	Balance at 1 July 2011	\$20,604.26
-\$8.24	Add Excess of income over expenditure	-\$1,220.72
\$20,501.21		\$19,383.54

Diane McDonough
Treasurer
16th August 2011

It was moved by George Holman and seconded by Peter Stoeckel that the Treasurer's report be accepted. Motion carried.

10. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

It is with pleasure that I present the President's report for 2010 / 2011 to the Western Australian Division of the Australian Anglers Association.

It doesn't seem that it is twelve months ago that I once again took up the position of President of the W A Division after a period of some 7 years away. It has been a very good year for the Association with a lot of work being undertaken.

Recently I attended the National Carnival and Convention Meeting of the AAA National body and presented a report to the National Convention Meeting in South West Rocks in N S W. In my report to them I made a point that if the organisation is to continue then it needs the support and assistance from its members. It is the same in Western Australia. If we are to survive and grow as an organisation we need support and assistance from all clubs.

Recreational angling is no longer a simple friendly relaxing sport and recreation. We as anglers are facing a lot of pressures from a number of quarters external to the organisation.

In my report to the National body I mentioned the imposition of restrictions relating to recreational angling in Western Australia. The Federal Government has proposed the formation of the South West Marine Park Plan and Proposal which establishes a marine national park that stretches from Shark Bay just south of Carnarvon to Kangaroo Island in South Australia. The impact of this marine reserve on recreational anglers in Western Australia has major implications for all recreational anglers throughout Australia.

If restrictions placed on recreational anglers through the implementation of this plan then all Australian anglers will be directly impacted by these proposals in the long term. It will require a concerted effort from all recreational anglers to respond to these plans. We don't know what we have got until it is gone, and an apathetic response will see us lose a lot of our popular fishing grounds, not only in Western Australia but nationally as well. It is not up to the willing few to do the work for the majority. It will require an effort from all to respond to this proposal.

On this matter the Western Australian Division is working closely with Recfishwest, to achieve a workable solution to this situation that will provide all parties with a win-win situation.

In talking to other State Presidents recently administratively, Western Australia is no different to other states in that many people seem to believe that it will all just happen. There are too few willing workers for the amount of work required to be done. State and inter-club events don't just happen and if it wasn't for the efforts of a few, the many would not have any events to participate in. If you are one of the unwilling many, consider what will happen to your sport and recreation if there are no volunteers working behind the scenes to plan and present the variety of events that you participate in.

Due to some unfortunate incidents occurring at some of our State Championship events in Western Australia relating to unacceptable behaviour, changes have had to be made to competition rules to preclude persons who behave badly from participating. This has also led to specific disputes committees being formed to deal with these situations. Unfortunately it is a sign of the times that bad behaviour is now readily accepted by society and a lack of self control is becoming quite common, and accepted.

As a result of the deliberations associated with these discussions I believe that the Association is stronger and more resolved in ensuring that all members can participate in events and enjoy the experience. I would like to thank all delegates and clubs for their contributions to this debate.

Earlier in the year I organised a Planning Meeting involving the chairmen of the various sub-committees along with several of our more experienced delegates to look at where the organisation is going. I believe that this meeting proved to be quite fruitful and I thank all who participated in it for their time and effort. It is my intention to again hold another similar meeting to address some issues and plan for the next two to three years so that the Association has some targets to achieve and can judge its progress by the results achieved.

Problems facing this Association include increasing pressure from conservation groups, increasing fuel and transport costs, large distances involved in travelling to participate, and an ageing angling population which are all contributing factors which is leading to the potential demise of this organization. Another of the problems facing our organization is the lack of recruitment of younger people into our ranks, and once we have them on board retaining them. If we continue in the same way as we have done for the last 60 years, we are doomed to failure. As an organization we are going to have to make some wholesale changes to the way we operate if we are to remain a viable, vibrant and a dominant angling organization.

To quote from a wise individual we are doomed to failure if we continue to do what we have always done and the result will be that we will achieve what we have always achieved. It is imperative that we change our ways or we are doomed to failure.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of the people who have given their time and effort so willingly in performing often onerous tasks. One group who need to be singled out for recognition in this report are the members of the various clubs who have recently participated in the National Angling Championships. Although they did not win any titles, they did win a lot of respect from other competitors for their attitude and approach to this event. I thank you all for the way you acquitted yourselves as representatives from Western Australia.

To the chairs of the sub-committees, Jason Pember from Beach and Rock and also Estuary, Pat Shinnick from the Boating Sub-committee and George Holman from the Dry Casting sub-committee I thank you all for your efforts in running very successful State Championships. Your efforts are truly appreciated. To all of their 'support staff' who worked behind the scenes to achieve successful outcomes I also recognize your efforts and thank you for your time and effort in making these events a success.

To the Executive Committee I thank all of you for your input and assistance throughout the year. To all of the Delegates representing your clubs I also thank you for your assistance and input to the Association throughout the year.

In closing I would like to take a positive outlook and approach for the coming year. 2011 /2012 is a year of opportunity and decisions for this association. We can either remain the same and eventually wither and fall away or we can adopt and adapt to improve the lot for not only club anglers, but for all recreational anglers in Western Australia. It is a challenge that faces us and we can accept or reject it. The decision is ours.

John Curtis,
President,
Australian Anglers Association (W A Division) Inc.

11. GENERAL BUSINESS – AFFILIATION FEES

It was moved by George Holman and seconded by Peter Stoeckel that affiliation fees for the 2011-2012 year remain at \$200 per annum. Small clubs, or those with limited financial means may negotiate a reduction in fees payable with the President. Motion carried.

12. ELECTION OF OFFICE BEARERS

Two scrutineers in Richard Suidak and Diane McDonough were appointed. The President declared all positions vacant and stood aside from the chair for the election of President. The Senior Vice President took the chair and called for nominations.

The following office bearers were nominated and accepted:

President:	John Curtis was nominated and accepted the nomination. John Curtis was re-elected unopposed and declared President.
Senior Vice President:	George Holman was nominated and accepted the nomination. George Holman was declared Senior Vice President.
Junior Vice President:	Peter Pekaar was nominated and John Curtis accepted the nomination on his behalf. Peter Pekaar was declared Junior Vice President.
Secretary / Treasurer:	No nomination was received for the position of Secretary / Treasurer. Delegates agreed that Diane McDonough be appointed to the position of Secretary / Treasurer.

Assistant Secretary:	Marcia Pekaar was nominated and John Curtis accepted the nomination on her behalf. Marcia Pekaar was declared Assistant Secretary.
Publications Officer:	No nomination was made. By default this role is the responsibility of the President
Trophy Officer:	No nomination was made. In the past this role has been performed within each Sub-Group and this practice will continue. A letter is to be sent to Pat Shinnick requesting that he continue to store Association trophies.
Records Officer:	Two nominations were received (John Curtis and Ian Cook) and both accepted the nomination. John Curtis was declared Records Officer.
Property Officer:	No nominations were received.
Competitions Officer:	Don Cox was nominated and accepted the nomination. Don Cox was declared Competitions Officer.
Website Editor	Terry Fuller was nominated and accepted the nomination. Terry Fuller was declared Website Editor.
Recfishwest Board Candidate	Terry Fuller was nominated and accepted the nomination Terry Fuller was declared as AAAWA's candidate for election to the Recfishwest Board.

13. CLOSE MEETING

The meeting closed at 9.30 pm.