

**AUSTRALIAN ANGLERS ASSOCIATION, (WA DIVISION) INC.
DELEGATES' MEETING****Held at Sports Association WA, Stancliffe Street, Mt Lawley
Tuesday 17th April 2012 at 7.30 pm****MINUTES****1. OPEN MEETING**

Vice President George Holman opened the meeting at 7.40 pm.

2. PRESENTJames Strong, Patron
George Holman, SCAC
Terry Fuller, SCAC
Don Cox, Melville
Peter Stoeckel, Beachcombers
John Crompton, Proxy Esperance Surfcasters
Kevin Murphy, MAACRussell Bunce, FAAC
Martin Humbert, OSAC Mt Barker
Marcia Pekaar, Assistant Secretary
Peter Pekaar, Proxy Geraldton Angling Club
Richard Siudak, Independent Delegate
Diane McDonough, Secretary/Treasurer**3. APOLOGIES**

John Curtis, Malcolm Cruickshank, Pat McKeown, Pat Shinnick, Jason Pember, Paul Frzop, Joe Horvath

4. VISITORS

Nil

5. NEW MEMBERS OR PROXIES

Peter Osborne, proxy for Ocean Reef SSC

6. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**7. ERRORS OR OMISSIONS FROM MINUTES**

Nil

8. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

It was moved by Don Cox and seconded by James Strong that the minutes of the March delegates' meeting be approved as an accurate record. Motion carried.

9. CORRESPONDENCE**INWARDS (BY MAIL)**

Dept Environment & Conservation	Shannon and D'Entrecasteaux National Parks Management Plan
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OUTWARDS (BY MAIL)

1. All clubs	Minutes & Agendas
2. All clubs	Letter re Annual Census (from John Curtis)

INWARDS (BY EMAIL)

From	Subject
Cheryl Poustie	Sportsview Alert - Issue 12
Graeme Dawber	NZACA April Secretarial Jottings (code a-b)
Recfishwest communi...	Recfishwest responds to misconceptions in the media
Marcia Pekaar	RE: Booking of oval for drycasting in October
jcurtis@iinet.net.au	Re: Booking of oval for drycasting in October
Recfishwest	Recfishwest E-News edition 5
Qafca	RE: Contact Details
John Curtis	Letter to affiliated clubs and delegates
Qafca	Notification of AAA Meetings
Medianet Operations	Black market fish costs man \$68,000 and a vehicle
Cheryl Poustie	Sportsview Alert - Issue 11
Marcia Pekaar	Booking of Yokine Oval
John Curtis	Booking of oval for drycasting in October
Qafca	Contact Details
Recfishwest communi...	Sunny skies forecast for recreational fishing sector
Cheryl Poustie	WASF Membership
John Curtis	Fwd: RE: Support for proposed research into Black Bream (A butcheri) in W A estuaries.
John Curtis	Letter to affiliated clubs and delegates
Terry Fuller	Re: the AAAWA website, not Recfishwest in minutes of DELEGATES MEETING 20TH MARCH 2012
Western Australian Sp...	Sportsview Alert - March 2012
Ashley Malone	Fisheries Sets Strong Foundation for the Future
Carmel LANGDON	Minutes from AAA boating sub-committee review meeting
John Curtis	Re: Fw: Three Hooks
Cheryl Poustie	Updating Details
Recfishwest communi...	Win a \$200 fishing tackle voucher by completing this survey
L Birchall	Fw: Three Hooks
Terry Bell	RE: Invoice for State Boat Nominations
Recfishwest communi...	Recfishwest Questions State Government's Ngari Capes Region
Terry Bell	Invoice for State Boat Nominations
Cheryl Poustie	WASF Council meeting
Cheryl Poustie	Sportsview Alert - Issue 10
Cockburn Power Boats	CPBA affiliation resignation

OUTWARDS (BY EMAIL)

To	Subject
 Terry Fuller jcurtis@iinet.net.au John Curtis Qafca	AAAWA DELEGATES MEETING 20TH MARCH 2012 Re: the AAAWA website, not Recfishwest in minutes of DELEGATES MEETING 20TH MARCH 20... Re: Booking of oval for drycasting in October Re: Booking of oval for drycasting in October Re: Contact Details
 Curtis, John Qafca	Fw: Notification of AAA Meetings Re: Contact Details
 John Curtis Cheryl Poustie Curtis, John	AAAWA DELEGATES MEETING 20TH MARCH 2012 Fw: Minutes from AAA boating sub-committee review meeting MINUTES Re: Updating Details Fw: Three Hooks
 Terry Bell	Re: Invoice for State Boat Nominations
 Curtis, John Bunce, Russell; Pembe... Curtis, John Curtis, John	MINUTES OF MARCH 2012 MEETING Fw: AA A newsletter No 2 STATE ROCK & BEACH REGISTRATION FEES Fw: CPBA affiliation resignation AFFILIATE CLUBS

BUSINESS ARISING FROM CORRESPONDENCE

Nil. It was moved by Peter Pekaar and seconded by Russell Bunce that the correspondence inwards and outwards by mail and email be accepted. Motion carried.

10. TREASURERS REPORT

General Account Balance \$16,614.36

Carnival Account Balance \$ 807.90

Income for April 2012

FAAC	Registration fees State Rock & Beach comp	525.00
Westpac Bank	Carnival Account Interest	.70
	General Account Interest	13.48
Ocean Reef SSC	Registration fees State Boating Champs	970.00
Ocean Reef SSC	Sponsorship State Boating Champs	250.00
TOTAL		1759.18

Accounts for April 2012

Diane McDonough	Secretariat	\$500.00
Telstra	Account	\$41.18
Trophy Choice	Beach & Rock Trophies, Medals & Engraving	507.50
Australia Post	Envelopes & stamps	64.20
Prime Inks4less	Toner cartridge	39.50
TOTAL		\$1152.38

Membership

- The secretary advised that Cockburn Power Boats have elected to not renew their affiliation with AAAWA.
- Russell Bunce commented that this could impact on the organisation of future Estuary competitions, as Cockburn Power Boats has been used as a base for events in the past. George Holman suggested that one of the AAAWA delegates, possibly Pat Shinnick, may have a contact within the club who could be approached regarding this.

It was moved by James Strong and seconded by Peter Stoeckel that the Treasurer's report be moved and the accounts passed for payment. Motion carried.

11. INDIVIDUAL REPORTS

President's Report

John Curtis advised (via email) that Andrew Matthews the Chairman of Recfishwest has asked to visit the May delegates meeting in order to discuss issues concerning AAAWA and changes to occur within Recfishwest that will impact on the AAAWA. **John asked that as many delegates attend this meeting as possible.** George reiterated John's request and stressed the importance of AAAWA's links with Recfishwest.

Estuary, Rock and Beach Report

- George Holman congratulated Don Cox, Jason Pember and Russell Bunce on their organisation of the recent Rock and Beach event at Jurien.
- Russel Bunce reported that there were 140 competitors, and although there was some rain around, the effort to get weigh-in done in two hours worked, and with everyone pitching in it was a good result.
- MAAC and ORSSC had good representations and they took out 1st and 2nd place in the men's competition respectively. There was also a good representation of Juniors and Mini Juniors.
- A variety of fish were caught, including Skippy, mackerel, whiting and herring. Discussion followed regarding a certain species of fish being caught but which could not be eaten. Russell believed that this was for delegates to take back to their clubs for discussion.
- Peter Osborne (ORSCC) commented that the event was the best attendance by boating clubs for 30 years. ORSSC did well and were especially competitive, due to their team work in researching the area and sharing information.
- Discussion followed about succession planning for future events and the need for new people coming through the ranks to become involved in organising events.
- The next State Estuary Event is to be held in November (Swan / Cockburn Sound). on Saturday/Sunday 24th/25th November (TBC)

Boating Report

Pat Shinnick reported via email:

- Boating Championships budget and actuals have been provided to the Treasurer
- A debrief was held on 19th March
- More people need to be involved in organising the next event
- Pat requested that the delegates approve 6th April 2013 as the date for the next Boating Championships at Mindarie, hosted by Quinns Rock Fishing Club – **delegates should take this request back to their clubs and report at the May meeting.**
- Pat requested that John Curtis, Terry Bell and himself attend a meeting at Quinns Rocks FC to provide support from the AAAWA
- Pat encouraged Terry Fuller / AAAWA to ensure that comments on Fisheries Management Paper 252 are submitted by 30th April 2012.
- **John Curtis has subsequently advised that as there were no volunteers at the meeting offering to write a submission, he will prepare a submission in conjunction with Terry Fuller and Pat Shinnick**

Dry Casting Report

- George Holman held a Dry Casting meeting on 2nd April and reported that there is a problem with the booking of Yokine Reserve, due to the City of Stirling's proposed reticulation works. As bookings cannot be made until 27th July, George is exploring alternative venues as a backup.
- Surf Casters are organising a sausage sizzle on the day.
- The Dry Casting trailer has been sorted and rope is now on one reel, enabling courts to be laid out more easily.
- There is a considerable amount of rope available if clubs wish to purchase it at a reasonable cost. There are also some accuracy cones for sale.
- George commented that the other events (R&B, Estuary and Boating) had expressed an interest in using the trailer, however he said the contents would have to be removed and temporarily stored somewhere and would have to be confirmed as being returned to the trailer, otherwise some could go missing.
- George advised that Dry Casting nomination forms would refer to the Men's competition as "Open" which enables anyone to compete. Terry Fuller queried how this would impact on the calculation of Angler of the Year results, for example, if a woman competed as an Open competitor in dry casting and in the Women's division in other events."

This "Open" category needs to be considered by clubs and the organisers of the other three AAAWA events in order for scoring to be consistent. If Men's events are changed to Open events the scoring system will need to be changed. It is not simply a matter of renaming the Men's Division to Open division. The Competition Rules would also need to be amended by Notice of Motions because they say currently Divisional Structure. Men's division is open to any male.

Delegates should take this up with the clubs and report back to the next meeting.

Nationals / AAA

- Nominations forms for the Queensland nationals in August in Queensland are available and will be distributed with the minutes.

George reported that at the last AAA AGM, an AAAWA motion was put to the AAA executive committee with respect to national casting records. Although WA people attending the meeting thought this motion was defeated at that time, the draft minutes show that the motion was passed, and John Crone has said that the recording appeared to confirm it had been passed. This raises the question how is it possible for people attending to think one thing and the recording to show the opposite. It is possible that the draft minutes could be challenged when it comes to confirming the minutes and an amendment moved to change the minutes to show the motion was defeated. George therefore suggested that the original Notice of Motion be re-proposed and re-submitted in the event that it can be further considered.

It was therefore moved by Richard Siudak and seconded by Peter Stoeckel that the following Notice of Motion be resubmitted. Motion carried unanimously.

Notice of Motion

The following notice of motion was moved by George Holman, seconded by Ian Cook and carried unanimously. It was also agreed that the ARA will provide a supporting letter to be sent to the National Secretary Margaret Riddell for circulation with the Notice of Motion.

Notice of Motion to be submitted to National

With reference to the AAA National By-Laws (Subsidiary Rules of the Australian Anglers Association) Section 13. Records Authority subsection (l)

The W A Division move;

“(l) The Committee shall receive and process any applications for Dry casting Records cast at National Championships, State Championships, Divisional, Interclub or club event. To achieve a National Casting Record, the casting competition must be notified to the State AAA one (1) month prior to the event. To formalize the event, a minimum of eight (8) casters must compete. All measurements of casts made at the event must be by steel tape or laser device for accuracy.”

Reason for the proposed addition:- To make it possible for any Dry Casting records cast at properly convened, run and properly managed events other than State or National Championships to be recognised as National Casting Records.

Recfishwest report for AAAWA Delegates Meeting

April 2012

The Recfishwest Board meeting has been deferred 1 week to 18 April, therefore this report is only a set of topic headings.

State-wide management proposals for recreational fishing

A Fisheries Management Paper (FMP) covering the Department of Fisheries' proposals for recreational fishing throughout WA was released on Wednesday 22 February. As discussed separately, in my personal opinion there are several problems with the proposals, which will have a big impact on some recreational fishers. I have provided some personal comments for Delegates and Club members to consider and use if they wish. Those are NOT comments by Recfishwest. I urge all delegates and club members to read the FMP and put in their comments.

RFW communications with Associations

RFW Chairman Andrew Matthews wishes to attend the May Delegates meeting and present some information about Recfishwest's future organisation, and communications with Associations and Clubs.

Ngari Capes Marine Park

After several years under consideration, the Capes Ngari Marine Park has been announced. It will cover about 124,000 hectares and from Geographe Bay near Busselton to Augusta, including the waters between Cape Naturaliste and Cape Leeuwin.

15 sanctuary (no fishing, no take) zones are included, but the announcement says 93 per cent of the coastline would still remain open for recreational fishing.

The DEC website says the final management plan and an analysis of public submissions will be available after the Ngari Capes Marine Park is formally created through a government gazettal notice.

At this stage, some details of the exact boundaries and areas where shore based fishing will be affected by sanctuary zones are not clear. A map has been released showing the zones, however some sanctuary zones have boundaries which do not come right to the shore, to allow shore based fishing, others do come to the low water mark and there are some Special Purpose (Shore based activities) zones between the shore and some Sanctuary zones. All these boundary details are normally in the management plan and gazettal notice.

Remember, the areas which affect fishing are the sanctuary (no fishing, no take) zones. There is usually little if any impact on recreational fishing in the remainder of most Marine Parks.

Limited details are on the DEC website <http://www.dec.wa.gov.au/content/view/6974/2504/>

Recfishwest website

Some significant updates are expected to the RFW website.

Small community grants

Extra funding has been approved and RFW will call for another round of projects in the next few months.

Recreational large fishing grants for in-depth projects

Applications have been received and are being processed.

Freshwater Fishing Reference Group

Recfishwest has drafted terms of reference for a Freshwater fishing reference group. The reference group will provide advice on the management of freshwater fishing, and will operate similarly to the Rock Lobster and Marron reference groups.

This report has been prepared by Terry Fuller, your Recfishwest Board Member for the Australian Anglers Association working voluntarily on your behalf. Contact Terry on 9447 4545 or email terryfuller@inet.net.au with any questions or comments.

Business Arising from RFW Report

- Discussion followed regarding the Fisheries Management Paper 252. Individuals and clubs are encouraged to make submissions and George warned that people should make their disagreement clear, as neutral comments are taken as acceptance.
- Terry Fuller and John Curtis will discuss a possible AAAWA submission

Recording Officer Report

- An application for a new national record for Barramundi has been received



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Competitions Officer Report

- No report

12. GENERAL BUSINESS

- George Holman has advised that the AAWA banner has now been located.

13. CLOSE MEETING

- The next Delegates meeting will be held on Tuesday 15th May 2012.

AAAWA CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2012-2015

2012	
August	• AAA National Convention mid-term meeting at Caloundra in Queensland
October	• State Dry Casting Championships - Yokine Reserve Yokine - 28 th
November	• State Estuary Event – Swan / Cockburn Sound Saturday/Sunday 24/25 November 2012 (TBC)
2013	
April	• State Boating Championships 6 th April 2013 to be held at Mindarie and hosted by the Quinn's Rock Fishing Club
June	• State Rock & Beach Championships– S Bend (long weekend) Saturday/Sunday 1 ST /2 ND June 2013 (TBC)
August	• AAA 33 rd National Angling Championships & Convention Sunshine Coast, Qld
October	• State Dry Casting Sunday 27 th October 2013
November	• State Estuary Event – Blackwood River Augusta
2014	
March	• State Boats Championships – TBA
May	• State Rock and Beach Event – Cape to Cape
October	• State Dry Casting, Sunday 26 th October 2014
November	• State Estuary Event – Walpole
2015	
March *	• State Boat Championships, hosted by Ocean Reef Sea Sports Club at Ocean Reef - long weekend
March *	• State Rock and Beach event – Cheynes Beach – long weekend
October	• State Dry Casting Sunday 25 th October 2015

* These dates need to be reviewed as they clash and also clash with the Kalbarri Classic.

Events can be added to this Calender by contacting the Secretary:

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