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Minutes of Delegates' Meeting 19 July, 2005 at WA Sports Association, Stancliffe Street, Mt Lawley.

The Delegates' meeting was opened at 7:35 pm. President George Holman took the Chair.

Present:	George Holman	President	Terry Fuller	Surf Casting and Angling Club
	Jim Strong	Denmark Angling Club	Nick Allsworth	Northern Districts AC
	Martin Humbert	OSAC Mt Barker	Stuart Hyde	Fremantle Amateur AC
	Joe Horvath	OSAC Beach		

Apologies:

Rick Cameron, Pat Shinnick, Don Cox, Chas Riegert, Adam Eastman.

Notification of Proxies:

None.

Visitor:

None.

Minutes of Previous Delegates' Meeting

The next Dry Casting meeting will be held 8 August, not 1 August as listed. Moved Jim Strong seconded Joe Horvath that the remainder of the minutes of the previous month's Delegates' meeting are true and are an accurate record. Carried.

Business Arising from Minutes.

None

Minutes of Executive Meeting

George Holman advised the June Executive Meeting had not been held due to people being away.

Correspondence Inwards.

By Post	In From	Subject	Date	Action
Sports Association of Australia		Can we start meetings earlier?	June	## Discuss ##
AAA Qld		Receipt for Registrations	July	
AAA Qld		Info for Championships	July	To George
Westpac Bank		Bank statements June	July	Treasurer
WA Sports Federation		Minutes of June Meeting	July	Info
Swan River Trust		Riverview Autumn 2005	July	Info
Dept Sport and Recreation		Nominations for Awards	July	For Nomination
Hillarys Yacht Club		Club Newsletter	July	Info
MAAC		Club Newsletter	July	Info
4WD and Fishing Show		Details of the show 4-6 November	July	Info
WA Sports Federation		July Newsletter	July	Info
Swan Catchment Council		June Newsletter	July	Info
Emails	In From:-	Subject	Date	Action
Wally Parkin		Finding for release weights/fish care	14 July	## Discuss ##
Kevin Hughes		New Bunbury Angling Club info for Website	26 Apr	It is on.
Adam Eastman		Angler of Year results		
Various		Fishing clinic matters	Various	None
Various		Routine AAA Info	Various	None

Outgoing Correspondence.

Posted	Out To:-	Subject	Date	Action
AAA clubs, Delegates, etc		Minutes of June Delegates' meeting and attachments.	June	None
AAA Qld		Affiliation fees 2005/6e		Info
Emails	Out To	Subject	Date	Action
Various		Routine AAA Info	Various	None
Various		Fishing clinic matters	Various	None

Business Arising from Correspondence:-

Starting Delegates' meetings earlier is not easy for several delegates. Earlier finish time is the requirement, so will attempt to get through the meetings more quickly.

Wally Parkin to be approached for more information about proposals for release weight funding by T Fuller.

Moved Jim Strong seconded Joe Horvath moved that inwards and outwards correspondence be accepted - carried.

Treasurers Report. Accounts for payment are:-.

Pay to	From General account, for	Date Received	Amount	Date Due	Action
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Bank Account Balances at 19 July 2005.

General Account Westpac Bank	\$
Outstanding cheques	\$
Accounts for payment from General account	\$
Available in General account and in hand after accounts paid	\$
Carnival Account Westpac Bank	\$
Outstanding cheques	\$
Accounts for payment from Carnival account	\$0
Available in Carnival account and in hand after accounts paid	\$

Business Arising from Treasurer's Report.

Moved Terry Fuller seconded Jim Strong that George Holman be paid for fuel, phone an out of pocket expenses for the clinics - carried. **Moved** Joe Horvath seconded Nick Allsworth the Treasurer's report be accepted and accounts as listed be passed for payment - carried.

Club Affiliation fees 2004/2005 paid up to 19 July 2005. Total 27 clubs have now paid 2004/5 affiliation fees.

Fremantle Amateur Angling Club	Mandurah Offshore Fishing & Sailing Club	Marmion Angling and Aquatic Club
Quinns Rock Fishing Club	Surf Casting and Angling Club	Offshore Angling Club South Coast
Northampton Angling Club	Melville Amateur Angling Club	Swan Yacht Club
Lancelin Angling and Aquatic Club	Geraldton Districts Offshore Fishing Club	Northern Districts Angling Club
Offshore Angling Club Beach	Cockburn Power Boat Association	Offshore Angling Club Boat
Whitfords Sea Sports Club	Mount Barker Offshore Angling Club	Geraldton Angling Club
Esperance Surfcasters	Naturaliste Game & Sports Fishing Club	Drifters Deepsea Angling Club
Albany Angling Club.	Denmark Boating and Angling Club	Fremantle Sailing Club.
Bunbury Angling Club	Hillarys Yacht Club	Rockingham Offshore Fishing Club

Still awaiting a decision about affiliation from:-.

Saltwater Angling Club of WA

Secretary's Report.

Nothing to report other than covered elsewhere.

Trophy Officer's Report

Not present.

Property Officer's Report

A Property Officer is still needed.

Records Officer's Report

Adam Eastman had tendered an apology.

Competition Officer's Report

Adam Eastman had tendered an apology.

Boating Report.

No one available to report. No minutes have been received for the last sub Committee meeting

Estuary, Rock and Beach Report

The report for the May Rock and Beach Championships had been distributed with the minutes of the May Delegates' meeting.

Dry Casting Report.

Group meeting will be held 8 August. Sponsors still to be contacted. Entry forms for the 30 October State Dry Casting to be distributed with these minutes.

National Championships.

19 people including 3 juniors and 3 ladies will go. The Yeppoon championships and convention are to be held from 31 August to 16 September 2005.

Fishing Clinics.

Have been held at Hillarys Yacht Club on the three Monday nights 4, 11 and 18 July 2005. Clinics were very well attended and sponsors were very happy. Some potential sponsors made themselves known for future clinics. Terry Fuller gave out financial and attendance details to the delegates present. Terry Fuller to write to the sponsors and supporters with details and thanks.

AAA Web Page

Routine updates only, including Fishing Clinic info.

Recfishwest Report.

Terry Fuller reported briefly from the July 2005 Recfishwest Board Meeting.

The new Recfishwest fishing clinics and display trailer is being used for children's fishing clinics in the North of the State and is getting very good comments.

RFW has prepared a submission to go to Government on a different approach to Marine Park Planning in WA., including the process and organisational structure for marine management in WA.

RFW is working on proposals to government for some alternative approaches for some of the areas within the Marine Parks which have been out for public comment but for which final details have not yet been announced.

State of the Fisheries. The report for 2003/4 is even later than usual. The data covers the July 2002 to June 2003 period, and so is relatively old data. The report is just a historical document, and demonstrates that by many out of date references to proposals which have already had considerable further developments.

Considering that the 2004/5 period has already finished, the delays in presenting the data are unacceptable. Two more State of Fisheries reports, covering the 2003/4 data and 2004/5 data, should be released by the usual timetable of November to get these reports up to date.

It was pointed out that the recreational take of Western Rock Lobster was not consistent with that reported by Dept of Fisheries to Integrated Fisheries Access and Allocation Committee and also noted that the SoF Report was tabled in Parliament.

RFW will approach the Dept of Fisheries about getting State of the Fisheries reports up to date, because this is essential for Integrated Fisheries Management .

RFW have selected a new Policy Officer, Kane Moyle, to assist with all the work required, and free up time for Frank Prokop to concentrate on Integrated Fisheries Management. There is a great amount of work to do on Integrated Fisheries Management to look after recreational fishing interests.

RFW will arrange a briefing on Integrated Fisheries Management for abalone after Board members have reviewed the IFM report on abalone.

There has been developments on Western Rock Lobster including proposed Sea Lion Exclusion Devices for all rock lobster pots Wedge Island to Cliff Head by Fisheries Management Paper 197, and a new package to protect commercial rock lobster stocks which affects commercial fishermen.

A letter will be sent expressing concerns about Shark, billfish and tuna fisheries under Commonwealth Fisheries arrangements.

Dept of Fisheries has approached RFW about closures of areas around the Hillarys Marina, including areas to protect the seawater intake pipes for the new Fisheries Research building at Hillarys. RFW have objected and asked for justifications and explanations.

Outcome of protection of Cockburn Sound and metro Pink Snapper spawning aggregations proposals will be announced soon.

A "loophole" in the Exmouth Gulf netting authorisations has been represented to the Dept of Fisheries following complaints from the area about the impact on fish stocks. The Fisheries Minister has issued a Section 43 order today to correct the problem.

Recfishwest has nominated a person to follow proposals for an upgrade of the Kwinana Beach boat ramp.

RFW has nominated a person to follow proposals for Leighton Beach Oceanside development.

The new Policy Officer, Kane Moyle, will be nominated as the Recfishwest representative on the Swan Catchment Council Coastal and Marine Reference Group.

RFW will write to the Minister for Fisheries reiterating that South West salmon and herring remain the priority for the Fisheries Adjustment Scheme and that Recfishwest remains concerned that we will not receive any tangible returns on the south coast.

Business arising from the Recfishwest Report.

This was discussion and more information about and clarification of some of the above points.

WARCO Report.

The WARCO group's notices of meetings are sent to AAA Secretary by email and often are not sent until late on the actual day of the meeting. The date of the previous meeting had been advanced but there was not enough notice for George to attend.

Notices of Motion.

As submitted by Kevin Hughes on behalf of the Rock and Beach and Estuary Subcommittee at the June Delegates' meeting.

Proposed amendment to Rock and Beach and Estuary rule 3.6 - Size Limits The existing rule is: "All fish shall equal or exceed Department of Fisheries minimum sizes and where specified by Department of Fisheries, be less than or equal to Department of Fisheries maximum sizes. Where there is no Department of Fisheries minimum size, then in accordance with a minimum size specified by the Association from time to time. Fish that have their necks broken will be pushed back into original shape and must be 1cm longer than the listed minimum size. This also applies to gilled and/or gutted fish. Penalty: disqualification."

Proposed change is to delete the sentence "This also applies to gilled and/or gutted fish."

The new rule is to read: "All fish shall equal or exceed Department of Fisheries minimum sizes and where specified by Department of Fisheries, be less than or equal to Department of Fisheries maximum sizes. Where there is no Department of Fisheries minimum size, then in accordance with a minimum size specified by the Association from time to time. Fish that have their necks broken will be pushed back into original shape and must be 1cm longer than the listed minimum size. Penalty: disqualification."

The result that will be achieved will be to remove the 1cm penalty that applies to participants who gut and/or gill their fish. Gutting/gilling of fish at AAA run State Rock and Beach or Estuary events will be optional at the participant's discretion with no penalty applied, except for the small loss of weight.

This motion was listed to be debated at the July Delegates' Meeting. There were no issues raised by the Delegates present. The motion will be voted on, without further discussion, at the August Delegates' Meeting.

AAA Year Book.

Nick Allsworth will use suggested list of people / companies to be contacted about advertisements.

General Business.

The AAA's Annual General Meeting will be held in August as notified with the last minutes.

George Holman will **NOT** be standing for President, having done three years. George needs a break.

Clubs and Delegates are urged to attend the AGM, please, and to consider the future of the Association.

Fishing Clinics South of River. Stuart Hyde asked if fishing clinics will be held south of the River this year, because his club had raised questions about the value of north of the River clinics for clubs which are based south of the River.

Terry Fuller explained that all the work of organising, publicising, getting sponsors and handouts, etc, etc for the 2005 Hillarys clinics had been done by George Holman and Terry Fuller with some assistance from Nick Allsworth. There is a tremendous amount of work to be done "behind the scenes". The assistance from club members to run the actual nights themselves is always volunteered and is essential for running the nights and we are very thankful for all this.

But there is more needed than just help on the nights themselves. George Holman is going to the Yeppoon championships in September so is unable (at present) to do any of the work to assist with organising a South of the River Clinic which was in recent years in the past, run in September.

There has been no decision made yet, either to hold or not to hold South of the River Clinics in 2005 or early 2006. It relies on workers in AAA and these are in very short supply at present to do all the "behind the scenes" work needed. Contact Secretary Terry Fuller if you can help.

Meeting closed at 8.25 pm.

Notice of Future AAA Meetings.

Next Executive Meeting 8:00pm Tuesday, 5 July 2005, at George Holman's,
Usually held on the first Tuesday of the month.

Next Delegates' Meeting 7:30pm Tuesday 16 August 2005, Sportsman's Association Clubhouse, Stancliffe Street, Mt. Lawley. Usually held on the third Tuesday of the month

Annual General Meeting Following the Delegates' Meeting, 7:30pm Tuesday 16 August 2005, at Sportsman's Association Clubhouse, Stancliffe Street, Mt. Lawley.

Coming AAA Events.

Beach & Rock Championships 2005/6, Jurien, Saturday and Sunday 25/26 March, 2006
2006/7, HQ Cheynes Beach, Reef Beach to Betty's Beach, date TBA.

State Boating Championships 2005/6, Jurien Bay, March 2006, date to be advised.

State Dry Casting Championships 2005/6, Yokine Reserve, Sunday 30 October 2005

State Estuary Championships 2005/6, Peel Inlet, at MOFSC, Saturday and Sunday 26/27 November 2005
2006/7, Swan River, Saturday and Sunday 25/26 November 2006.

AAA Fishing Clinics.

South of the River. No date has been set yet. Needs volunteers to organise. See "General Business" in the minutes of the July Delegates' meeting. Contact Secretary Terry Fuller if you can help.

AAA Yearbook.

AAA plans to publish a Yearbook in the second half of 2005. This will be distributed free to affiliated clubs and their members and to the Tackle Trade. Copies will be provided to the public for a small charge.

Clubs are offered space in this Yearbook to publish any information, photos, etc about their club and its activities. These articles will be included at no charge to affiliated clubs. Sponsorship and advertising for the Yearbook is wanted. Any club or club member with contacts is asked to advise the AAA secretary, please.

Club and AAA Publicity.

AAA has a web site www.aaawa.iinet.net.au Member Clubs can have their news published on the website. Check out the information about the other clubs.

Use the web pages to give prospective new members and people information about your Club - meeting dates- field days - membership fees - phone numbers - Club news - field days results - photos of great catches - invitation day dates - social events - ANYTHING of interest to anglers and web surfers.

It costs you nothing to tell prospective members about your Club - nothing but a little time to prepare and send the information.

Email material to AAA Secretary Terry Fuller at aaawa@iinet.net.au or post to PO Box 2200, Marmion, 6020. AAA phone number is 9403 7383 for any enquiries.

Email.

Email makes it so quick and easy to distribute information like all the above to clubs and members. Clubs and Delegates please give the Secretary email addresses for people who wish to receive information.

All emails will be sent so that the email address is not visible to anyone else on the address list, and will keep the email addresses private. AAA email is aaawa@iinet.net.au

Sponsors of AAA.

Club Marine

Club Marine is the major sponsor of the Australian Anglers Association and the 2004/5 AAA State Boat Angling Championships.
<http://www.clubmarine.com.au>

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Gladiator Tackle

supported the 2004/5 State Dry Casting Championships.
<http://www.gladiatortackle.com.au>

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Ozflex Australia.

Suppliers of Ozflex rods and tackle, Superflex line, Jinkai leader, Schneider line, Ande line, Classic and Bomber Lures, Neptune Tackle, and Angler Advantage Rods.

Supports the 2005 Fishing Clinics.

Alec's Marine

2005 AAA State Boat Angling Championships are sponsored by Alec's Marine,
<http://www.alecsmarine.com>

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Magic Nissan

supported the 2004/5 State Dry Casting Championships.

<http://www.magicnissan.com.au>

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Yallingup Beach Holiday Park

Are Principal Sponsors of the 2004/5 AAA State Rock and Beach Championships.

<http://www.yallingupbeach.com.au>