



AUSTRALIAN ANGLERS ASSOCIATION, (WA DIVISION) INC.

DELEGATES' MEETING



**Held at Sports Association WA, Stancliffe Street, Mt Lawley
Tuesday 20th July 2010 at 7.30 pm**

MINUTES

1. OPEN MEETING

President Pat Shinnick opened the meeting and welcomed delegates and visitors.

2. PRESENT

Pat Shinnick, LAC
George Holman, SCAC
James Strong, Denmark AC & Patron
Terry Fuller, SCAC
Gary Evans, Mindarie & Districts Sea Sports Club
Kevin Murphy, MAAC

Chas Riegert, OSAC South Coastal
John Crompton, Esperance Surfcasters
Don Cox, Melville
Russell Bunce, FAAC
Marcia Pekaar, Northampton AC
Peter Stoeckel, Beachcombers
Diane McDonough, Secretary/Treasurer

3. APOLOGIES

Paul Longo, Perth Offshore Boating
Jason Pember, Melville AC
Peter Pekaar, Geraldton AC
Joe Horvath, OSAC Perth Beach
Rick Cameron, OSAC South Coastal

3. VISITORS

Mark Hansen, Greg Walker

4. NEW MEMBERS OR PROXIES

Beachcombers Angling & Boating Club of WA (Inc)

5. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Nil

6. ERRORS OR OMISSIONS FROM MINUTES

It was moved by James Strong and seconded by Russell Bunce that the minutes be accepted as an accurate record.

7. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

Ian Cook queried Terry Fuller's comments about not sending record information to him for the website. Ian felt the comments were a criticism of him not doing his job. Terry commented that he was merely flagging that the information had not been received, no criticism was intended.

Chas Riegert disputed the membership numbers quoted in the report about the Australian Surf Casters Federation. George Holman responded that he was merely quoting the information given to him from Robert Smith, which he believed to be factual.

8. CORRESPONDENCE INWARDS (BY MAIL)

Bob Henderson	Letter re WA State Team accommodation, payments etc 2009 AAAWA National Convention, SA
Bob Henderson	Letter re 2009 AAAWA State Dry Casting Double Handed Accuracy event
Hillarys Yacht Club	Compass July/Aug 2010
WASF	Invitation to WA Sports Federation Council Meeting
SCAC	Reel Talk
Dept Environment & Conservation	Bushland News Winter 2010
Sam Crock	Application for Bald Chin Groper record

9. CORRESPONDENCE INWARDS (BY EMAIL)

1.	adjmay@iinet.net.au	samson fish
2.	Ian Cook	RE: samson fish
3.	Margaret Riddel	AAA Affiliation fees Year 2010-2011
4.	John Crompton	Club Affiliated with the AAA
5.	Carmel LANGDON	Minutes of June meeting
6.	Con Costa	FW: newsletter for Associations
7.	Jenny Travis	Media statement --New grants will improve 22 boating facilities across the State.
8.	Jennie Stoeckel	Application
9.	Terry Fuller	Fwd: Skippy frames for research
10.	Bob & Rosemary	Latest Lists from AAA Records Authority.
11.	Jenny Travis	Department of Fisheries sets up permanent home in Kununurra.
12.	Ocean Reef Sea Sports Club	ORSSC payment
13.	Terry Fuller	Re: RFW Report for minutes of June Delegates' meeting
14.	Richard Siudak	Re: Latest Lists from AAA Records Authority.
15.	Medianet Operations	The ?net? now captures and shares WA's freshwater fish data
16.	Terry Fuller	Re: Help with AAAWA ACCOUNTS FOR AUDIT
17.	Cheryl Poustie	Notice of Meeting - General Meeting of WA Sports Federation Council
18.	Medianet Operations	Recreational Rock Lobster Season Ends Today
19.	russell bunce	AAA STATE BEACH.subcommittee meeting .minutes
20.	russell bunce	letter to the delegates
21.	Jenny Travis	Recfishwest Reel News - THE EVOLUTION OF THE RECFISHWEST LOGO
22.	Jenny Travis	Media Release - Longest Millimetre Threatens Integrated Management
23.	Ian Cook	State fish records
24.	Mandurah Bream Association	Re: AFFILIATION WITH THE AAAWA
25.	Terry Fuller	Acceptance of new clubs affiliated with AAAWA.
26.	Pat Shinnick	RE: Acceptance of new clubs affiliated with AAAWA.
27.	Jenny Travis	Media Release - Minister gives green light for commercial rock lobster fishery quota
28.	Sales - Ray White Kalbarri	KALBARRI OFFSHORE & ANGLING CLUB INC - AFFILIATION WITH AAAWA
29.	Medianet Operations	Two New Reports on WA's West Coast Demersal Scalefish Resource
30.	Terry Fuller	Re: In response to your request CHANGES TO CONSTITUTION/BYLAWS
31.	LAWRENCE BIRCHALL	Delegate Offshore Club
32.	Ian Cook	RE: RECORD APPLICATION
33.	Richard Siudak	Re: Latest Lists from AAA Records Authority.
34.	Jenny Travis	FREMANTLE PORT Inner Harbour, Wongara Shoal, Outer Harbour - Parmelia Channel
35.	Terry Fuller	Re: Reply to your question about Delegate South Coast Offshore Club
36.	Terry Fuller	Email from Margaret Riddel headed "Federal Rules and By-Laws attached"
37.	Bob & Rosemary	Thank you for National Fish and Casting Records
38.	Pember, Jason	Trophy officers contact details
39.	Pat Shinnick	RE: MAIL
40.	Ian Cook	Record application
41.	Pat Shinnick	RE: Trophy officers contact details
42.	Jenny Travis	WEST COAST DEMERSAL SCALEFISH PUBLIC CONSULTATION MEETINGS
43.	Jenny Travis	Media Release - New fishing arrangements for commercial beach seine fishing.

- 44. Terry Fuller Meeting to finalise Wallaroo financials
- 45. Jenny Travis Fishers invited to have their say on west coast demersal scalefish catch allocation shares
- 46. Cheryl Poustie Sportsview Alert - Issue 18
- 47. Cheryl Poustie WA Sports Federation General Meeting of Council: 20 July 2010
- 48. Jennie Stoeckel RE: APPLICATION FOR AFFILIATION
- 49. Jennie Stoeckel Beachcombers
- 50. Paul Longo RE: AAAWA DELEGATES MEETING
- 51. Marcia Pekaar RE: AAAWA DELEGATES MEETING

11. CORRESPONDENCE OUTWARDS

Minutes & Agendas

Invitations to Angler of the Year and Trophy Winners

12. BUSINESS ARISING FROM CORRESPONDENCE

Email No 31 refers to Laurie Birchall's advice that Marcia Pekaar would replace Rick Cameron as Delegate for Offshore Angling Club (Beach) for the short term. Since the meeting the Secretary has been contacted by Laurie Birchall, asking to put this matter on hold until further advice.

It was proposed by Don Cox and seconded by Marcia Pekaar that the correspondence be accepted.

13. TREASURERS REPORT

General Account Balance \$ 20,221.39	Carnival Account Balance \$1684.44
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The AAAWA accounts for the 2009-2010 have gone to the accountants for Audit

Income for July 2010

Westpac Bank	Interest Carnival A/c	1.07
Westpac Bank	Interest General A/c	19.91
Diane McDonough	Repayment of overpayment	56.53
Beachcombers	Affiliation Fee 2010/2011	200.00
Total		277.51

Accounts for payment July 2010

Diane McDonough	Secretariat	\$500.00
Various	Stationery	12.07
AAA	Affiliation fee	50.00
Total		\$562.07

It was moved by Marcia Pekaar and seconded by James Strong that the Treasurers report be accepted and the accounts passed for payment.

14. INDIVIDUAL REPORTS

President's Report

- Pat believes there have been many recent positives, such inquiries about new memberships; he also believes there are other things which need to be addressed.
- Terry Fuller has issued a statement regarding the meeting to finalise the Wallaroo financials, to be held on 9th August. Hopefully this will be well attended and the issues will be resolved.
- In August the AGM and Angler of the Year will be held and it will be a busy night. Pat thanked delegates for the support he has received over the last 12 months. Hopefully he has also supported delegates and clubs. He has enjoyed the experience of being President and it has been a good learning curve for him, successfully negotiating a lot of issues, providing some positive outcomes.

Estuary, Rock and Beach Report

A meeting was held at Don Cox's on 24th June. Coming events include:

- 27/28 November 2010 at Estuary Cockburn Sound Cockburn Swan River. Pat suggested that organisers find somewhere that club captains can meet for briefings.
- 5-7 March 2011 Rock and Beach Cheynes Beach – participants are advised to book accommodation early
- October long weekend 2011 Beach & Rock at Port Gregory

A debrief was held on the Jurien Bay event in March this year and it was suggested that a set of rules and procedures be documented to be used for these events. In future a registration cut off time will be 10.30-11.00 on the morning of event.

Ineligible fish

Feedback from clubs on the list of inedible fish circulated by Russell Bunce is as follows:

- OSAC discussed this and asked queried whether all sharks and rays are excluded
- SCAC agreed on the list, with the exception of the sharks which need to be clarified
- Marmion Angling & Aquatic Club agreed with the list
- Mindarie & District Sea Sports Club agreed with the list
- Terry Fuller suggested that if all protected species were excluded from the list it would clarify the rules
- Russell Bunce will supply list of eligible sharks for AAAWA competitions

Boating Report

The first meeting has been held, all going well.

Dry Casting Report

- George Holman advised that the meeting on the 9th August is just for the people who went to Wallaroo. George will provide a report of the mid term meeting at the August delegates meeting.
- George encouraged all clubs to participate in AAA competitions in other states as their facilities and fishing are excellent. Chas agreed that the facilities at SW Rocks are best on the East Coast for Rock and Beach, Boating, Estuary, Dry Casting. Worth the research and effort.

Proposed changes to AAAWA State Dry Casting Rules.

It was proposed by Terry Fuller that the following changes be made to the AAAWA State Dry Casting Rules. Seconded by Ian Cook.

These proposed changes are to specify and clarify the requirement for plastic tube, leaders and pompoms to align them (as far as possible) with the corresponding Dry Casting Rules in the March 2009 version of National AAA General Competition Rules.

The wording and section changes proposed here are to integrate these provisions into the AAAWA rules and remove duplications or inconsistencies as far as possible, but see notes.

Note 1. National rules do **NOT** permit leaders for 56 gram and 112 gram events, and leaders are allowed but optional in Double handed accuracy. Leaders are inherently required in Artificial bait rigs.

Note 2. WA previously made a decision that leaders are required in 56 gram, 112 gram and naturally in Artificial bait, and leaders are allowed but optional in Double handed accuracy. This version does not change that.

Note 3. National rules require plastic tubing for 56 gram, 112 gram and Artificial bait. Requirement for tubing for Artificial bait has been added to WA rules in this version. It is understood plastic tubing has been used in recent years' AAAWA events.

Note 4. National rules C12 says "*providing the total weight, including pompom, does not exceed 112 grams.*" This provision has not been included in these proposed changes.

Replace three sections in the current (October 2007) version numbered and headed

3.5.4 Artificial Bait Rigs,

3.3.5 Double Handed Accuracy Rigs and

3.5.6 56 gram and 112 gram Level Line Distance Rigs

with the following five proposed sections.

3.5.4 Breaking strain of leaders

Breaking strain of all leaders must be no more than 50 kg, must be of monofilament line, with only one clip, one loop, and/or one swivel to be used.

3.5.5 Plastic tubing

Plastic tubing must be used for 112 gram, 56 gram and Artificial bait level line distance events. The plastic tubing shall be of a soft flexible material, of minimum length of 200 mm and maximum length of 250 mm. The diameter shall be minimum 2.5 mm inside diameter to 4.5 mm maximum outside diameter. Colour must be flouro pink.

3.5.6 Artificial Bait rigs

Plastic tubing must be used for Artificial bait level line distance events. The Artificial bait shall be made of wooden doweling 90.0mm long and 13.0mm in diameter. It shall be attached to a swivel, ring or dropper loop by a line of minimum length of 230mm. The length of the leader to the weight must be less than 1000mm. The weight must hang completely under the dowel. Weights may be up to 112 grams. No modifications are allowed to the dowel other than painting or identification. No other modifications are allowed to the artificial bait rig, for example rings to control the bait.

3.5.7 56 gram and 112 gram level line distance rigs

Plastic tubing must be used for 112 gram and 56 gram level line distance events. Leaders are required in level line distance events and may be up to a maximum of 350mm long. 56 or 84 gram weights may also be used for 112 gram events.

3.5.8 Double handed accuracy rigs.

A visual aid in the form of a pompom must be used for double handed accuracy events. Pompoms shall be dark in colour with a maximum overall length of 100 mm and a minimum overall length of 50 mm and consist of a minimum of thirty (30) strands of 8-ply wool or equivalent. Pompoms may be securely attached to the casting weight with any method of fastening such as a clip, a swivel/clip combination, a solid or a split ring, monofilament line, thread or wire. Any such item used for fastening which does not form an inline or weight bearing part of the leader shall not count for the application of rule 3.5.4. Leaders are permitted in Double handed accuracy events and may be a maximum of 250mm long. Weights may be up to 112 grams.

Prepared by Terry Fuller 9447 4545

Motion carried. To be discussed by delegates at the August meeting.

Recfishwest report for AAA Delegates Meeting 20 July 2010



West Coast Demersal Scalefish Public Consultation Meetings.

The Department of Fisheries has released of a draft report on allocation of West Coast demersal fish species for the commercial and recreational sectors. This allocation has been developed under the State Government's Integrated Fisheries Management policy.

The independent Integrated Fisheries Allocation Advisory Committee (IFAAC) has considered what proportion of the harvest should be allocated to the commercial, recreational and customary fishing sectors. These allocations will underpin the future management of the demersal scalefish resource on the West Coast.

Recfishwest and IFAAC will be holding public meetings to provide information to the recreational fishing sector about these developments. These meetings present an opportunity for our sector to provide feedback to IFAAC before the process is finalised.

Recfishwest will be facilitating the meetings as part of our agreement with government to co-ordinate regional input into management decisions. These meetings are IFAAC meetings to present their recommendations for allocation that will ultimately be incorporated into recreational fisheries management in the West Coast bioregion. The meetings will be Chaired by, and discussion co-ordinated by Recfishwest.

Recfishwest and all members of the community have the right to express their views on the proposal. Recfishwest recognises that **some elements of the proposal will be controversial and complex.** We ask that you, and all interested parties come to the meetings to hear details of the proposals and ask your questions in a manner that allows the issues to be explored.

Geraldton 21 July, 6.30pm - 8.30pm, Casa Blanca Dance Centre, 230 Eighth St, Wonthella

Fremantle 28 July, 6.30pm - 8:30pm, Fremantle Sailing Club, Marine Terrace, Fremantle

- Mandurah** 29 July, 6:30pm - 8:30pm, RAAFA Estate Meadow Springs, 41 Portrush Parade, Meadow Springs
- Busselton** 4 August, 6:30pm - 8:30pm, Royal Palms Hotel, 2 Albert Street, Busselton
- Bunbury** 5 August, 6:30pm - 8.30pm, The Sanctuary Golf Club, Lot 100 Old Coast Road, Pelican Point, Bunbury

Any questions about these meetings can be directed to Andrew Rowland at Recfishwest on 9246 3366 or andrew@recfishwest.org.au

WA Fishing Industry Council will be facilitating similar meetings for the commercial fishing sector.

The Integrated Fisheries Allocation Advisory Committee (IFAAC) will consider the content of all submissions during the preparation of its final report to the Minister for Fisheries and **may** make changes to its initial position as and if required. A summary of all the submissions will be provided to the Minister when the IFAAC submits its final report to him.

After the submission period has closed, the IFAAC may write to individuals and groups who have lodged a written submission, inviting them to speak to the committee in support of their submission.

Submissions close **30 September 2010** (an extended deadline has been arranged but the documents don't show that.)

Publications:-

- (1) Integrated Fisheries Management Draft Allocation Report - West Coast Demersal Scalefish
<http://www.fish.wa.gov.au/docs/mp/mp237/index.php?0602> and
- (2) Integrated Fisheries Management Report West Coast Demersal Scalefish Resource
<http://www.fish.wa.gov.au/docs/mp/mp247/index.php?0706>

Reference (1) has 13 recommendations. Some important ones are:-

- Recommendation 8** *The relative allocation proportions should be based on the total catches in 2005/06 of the recreational fishing closure list caught, less the commercial catch in the Metropolitan Area in determining the sectoral allocations for the west coast demersal scalefish resource.*
- Recommendation 9** *That for allocation purposes the recreational catch be considered to be 25 percent greater than the catches reported in Fisheries Research Report No. 177 and the recreational fishing catches reported in Fisheries Research Report No. 175.*
- Recommendation 10** *That the allocation of shares in the West Coast Demersal Scalefish Fishery should be **66 per cent (two thirds) to the commercial sector and 34 per cent (one third) to the recreational sector.***

Reference (2) says:-

This report on the West Coast Demersal Scalefish fishery is the third in a series of Integrated Fisheries Management (IFM) resource reports required under the Government policy on IFM.

Under this policy, the Chief Executive Officer of the Department of Fisheries is required to approve a sustainability report for each fishery, which includes a clear statement on the recommended harvest level.

IFM is a policy aimed at making sure that Western Australia's fisheries continue to be managed in a sustainable way in the future. In essence, this involves setting the total sustainable harvest level of fish, then sharing this potential harvest between the commercial, recreational (including charter boats) and customary fishers by means of an allocation process that meets community needs. Each sector is then managed within the allocated share.

For each resource addressed through IFM, a report must be prepared to provide information on at least the following aspects of the resource and associated fishing activity:

the current management practices within the fishery;

historical catch levels, and estimates of catch, by sector;

the biology of the fish species involved;

an appropriate harvest level of the resource; and

other relevant data, such as regional employment, economic and social/lifestyle issues.

This report has been prepared to provide the Integrated Fisheries Allocation Advisory Committee (IFAAC) with a summarised, factual account of the resource and current and historical trends in its exploitation.

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

- Pat Shinnick encouraged all boating clubs meet on the Tuesday before the meeting on the Wednesday 28th August meeting in Fremantle to read the reports, discuss, think them through, seek clarification and ask questions. Comments are sought from interested parties.
- George Holman commented that Greens Senator Rachel Siewert continues to campaign for marine sanctuaries.
- Terry urged everyone to read the reports about protected and sanctuary zones mentioned in the June minutes, which relate to the WA experience – not other countries or states.

Records Officer Report

- Ian Cook provided a list of new and updated state fish records which have been ratified with the National Authority
- It was moved by Ian Cook and seconded by Chas Riegert that these records be approved by the delegates and put on the website. Motion carried.
- Ian will attempt to get in touch with the record applicants, some of which are from 15 years ago, in order to issue certificates.
- Richard Siudak has completed the national records.
- A new application for a record (Bald Chin Groper) is being processed and it could be a new state and national record.

Trophy Officer

No report

15. GENERAL BUSINESS

Calculation of overall and divisional Anglers of the Year and Champion Club

Feedback from delegates indicates that the document recently circulated is correct and will be placed on the AAAWA website.

Boating Competitions – Eligibility hire/loan boats (from June Minutes)

- Pat advised that the reasoning behind the ruling is that there were issues with post commented cheating in a Geraldton competition because charter boats went to areas where fish were known to be by the operators.
- Delegates believed there should be a way around this so that non-boat owners can participate in national AAA events.
- Pat will discuss with the boating sub committee to see if something better can be developed. A current rule is that all persons on the boat must be a club member, unless they are a trophy donor and therefore not eligible to claim prizes.
- Pat would favour hiring a boat over a charter vessel.
- Discussion followed about licensed fishing vessels, charter boats and the requirement for a Recreational Skippers Ticket, etc.
- Chas Riegert commented that at Wallaroo charter boats were used but hard to come by.
- For further discussion at August meeting.

AAAWA Constitution

A requirement for new affiliate clubs is to provide a list of financial members, copy of constitution and rules (and regulations if applicable) certified by the President or Secretary. The last three clubs to become affiliated have not been asked for this information, these include Mindarie & Districts Sea Sport Club Inc, Mandurah Breaming Association and Kalbarri Offshore & Angling Club. The secretary has asked Mindarie & Kalbarri clubs for this information. The Mandurah Breaming Assoc has since tendered their resignation from the AAAWA due to organisational issues.

Terry Fuller also highlighted (from the Constitution) that delegate representation is as follows:

Each Affiliated Association shall be entitled to appoint delegates as follows:

- a) Affiliated Associations up to 50 financial members: 1 delegate
- b) Affiliated Associations with more than 50 and up to 100 financial members: 2 delegates
- c) Affiliated Associations with more than 100 members: 3 delegates

AGM and Angler of the Year – August 20th

- Nominations are need for all executive positions and delegates need to nominate for these
- Trophies for the Angler of the Year and other category winners are prepared
- Invitations have been sent to category winners
- Don will ask Mrs Cox if she would be kind enough to organise a supper for the evening

Beachcomber Angling & Boating Club of WA (Inc)

Representatives from Beachcombers attended the meeting. They presented the Secretary with all appropriate forms required to seek affiliation to the AAAWA. Delegates approved the affiliation unanimously and Pat Shinnick welcomed the club and their delegate, Peter Stoeckel, to the AAAWA.

Constitution

The secretary has recently scanned the 2002 version of the Constitution (with amendments) and will forward it to Terry Fuller so that it can be put on to the AAAWA website as a single document.

16. CLOSE MEETING

Meeting closed at 9.10 pm.

17. NEXT MEETING: 17th August 2010. Angler of the Year Presentation 7pm. AAWA Delegates Meeting and 2011 AGM commencing at 7.30 pm. **ALL WELCOME**



CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2010-2012

2010	
October	• Dry Casting Competition Sunday 31 st October 2010 at Yokine Reserve
November	• Estuary event 27 th / 28 th November. Swan & Canning Rivers/Cockburn Sound.
2011	
March	• State Boating Championships. To be held at Hillarys, hosted by Marmion Angling & Aquatic Club.
March	• 5 th , 6 th & 7 th March. Beach and Rock event at Cheynes Beach Caravan Park, boundaries Bremer Bay river mouth to Albany Harbour Jetty. • State Boating Championships hosted by Marmion Aquatic and Angling Club on the 26 th March 2011.
October	• Beach & Rock event at Port Gregory. Boundaries Kalbarri to Bowes River Mouth.

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

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