



**AUSTRALIAN ANGLERS ASSOCIATION, (WA DIVISION) INC.**

**DELEGATES' MEETING**



**Held at Sports Association WA, Stancliffe Street, Mt Lawley  
Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> September 2010 at 7.30 pm**

**MINUTES**

**1. OPEN MEETING**

John Curtis opened the meeting at 7.30 pm and welcomed all attendees.

**2. PRESENT**

Pat Shinnick, LAAC	George Holman, SCAC
Kevin Murphy, MAAC	Terry Fuller, SCAC
Greg Evans MDSSC	Peter Pekaar, Geraldton AC
Peter Stoeckel, Beachcombers	Marcia Pekaar, Northampton AC
James Strong, Denmark AC	Paul Longo, Perth Offshore Boating & AC
Don Cox, Melville AC	Diane McDonough, Secretary/President
John Curtis, President	

**3. APOLOGIES**

Chas Riegert, Ian Plumbridge , Ian Cook, John Crompton, Jason Pember, Russell Bunce, Paul Frzop

**4. VISITORS**

Mark Hansen

**5. NEW MEMBERS OR PROXIES**

Nil

**6. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

**7. ERRORS OR OMISSIONS FROM MINUTES**

Nil. It was moved by Jim Strong and seconded by Peter Stoeckel that the minutes be approved. Motion carried.

**8. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES**

Terry Fuller advised that he had not received any further information from the Records Officer (Ian Cook) to update the AAAWA website.

**9. AGM MINUTES**

No errors or omissions noted. It was moved by Marcia Pekaar and seconded by Peter Pekaar that minutes of the 2010 AGM be approved. Motion carried.

**9. CORRESPONDENCE**

**INWARDS (BY MAIL)**

Surf Casters & Angling Club WA	Reel Talk September 2010
Hillarys Yacht Club	Compass Sept/Oct 2010
WA Sports Federation	ANZ Sports Star of the Year Awards 2010 - Nominations
Dept Env and Conservation	Cape Range National Park Management Plan – now available

**INWARDS (BY EMAIL)**

1. Terry Fuller	For your use in writing the minutes of the August meetings
2. Terry Fuller	As requested, recording of the August Delegates meeting.
3. Recreational Fishing Alliance of NSW	Federal election and recreational fishing
4. gregwalkercontract@bigpond.com	state drycasting for 2010/2011
5. Pat Shinnick	Records application
6. Ian Cook	RE: Records application
7. Carmel LANGDON	August minutes
8. Terry Fuller	RFW report for minutes of August Delegates meeting
9. Terry Fuller	Accounts for payment of Wallaroo outcomes.
10. Con Costa	Preliminary Notice of Recfishwest AGM
11. Pat Shinnick	RE: AGM CHAIRMAN'S REPORT
12. Pat Shinnick	RE: AAAWA AUGUST DELEGATES MEETING
13. Margaret Riddel	Re: AAA Affiliation fees Year 2010-2011
14. John Curtis	Contact Details - John Curtis President
15. Yvette	Recfishwest Reel News 11 - Broome Sailfish Tagging Program
16. Western Australian Sports Federation	Sportsview August
17. Margaret Riddel	AAA 2011 - SET PROGRAMME FOR SOUTH WEST ROCKS.
18. Terry Fuller	Signing cheques for WALLAROO PAYMENTS as requested
19. iiNet Limited Billing Team	Low credit
20. Terry Bell	Baldchin Groper State Record
21. Jenny Travis	Regional approach for south coast marine planning.
22. Ian Cook	RE: Baldchin Groper State Record
23. Jenny Travis	News from Recfishwest
24. Terry Fuller	Dry Casting Individual registration and Team nomination forms.
25. Ian Cook	RE: \$10 REFUND
26. Yvette	Recfishwest Reel News No. 12 - Juvenile Dhufish
27. Terry Fuller	Purchase of laser printer for Competitions Officer
28. Pat Shinnick	AAAWA Submission
29. John Curtis	World Sports Expo
30. Pat Shinnick	SUBMISSION TO Integrated Fisheries Allocation Committee
31. Marcia Pekaar	RE: Enclosures With Minutes
32. Marcia Pekaar	RE: AAA 2011 - SET PROGRAMME FOR SOUTH WEST ROCKS.
33. Marcia and Peter Pekaar	Rig Diagram For Inclusion to Delegates
34. Medianet Operations	New Project to Strengthen WA Rock Lobster Research
35. Terry Fuller	Re: MAGIC NISSAN is on the AAAWA website Home page
36. Carol Parsons	RE: CONTACT
37. Jenny Travis	Media Releases
38. Jenny Travis	Reel News Issue 13 Mobile Patrols
39. Chas Riegert	RE: AAAWA DELEGATES MEETING
40. Jennie Stoeckel	Affiliation on website
41. iiNet Limited Billing Team	Payment confirmation
42. Pat Shinnick	RE: AGM & ANGLER OF THE YEAR EXPENSES
43. Plumridge, Ian	Mandurah Offshore Fishing and sailing club

**OUTWARDS (BY MAIL)**

Affiliate Clubs	Minutes of last meeting & AGM
Affiliate Clubs	Invoice for Affiliation Fees, request for Details of Club Membership
J Pullella, M Harris & V Alexander	invoices for Settlement of financials for National Dry Casting Championships Wallaroo 2009
Sam Crock, Kununurra	Letter of apology for non-acceptance of Baldchin Groper Record

## OUTWARDS (BY EMAIL)

1. gregwalkercontract@bigpond.com	Re: state drycasting for 2010/2011
2. Margaret Riddel	Re: AAA Affiliation fees Year 2010-2011
3. Shinnick, Pat	AAAWA AUGUST DELEGATES MEETING
4. Fuller, Terry	Info requested
5. Margaret Riddel	Re: AAA Affiliation fees Year 2010-2011
6. Pat Shinnick	AGM
7. John Curtis	Re: Contact Details - John Curtis President
8. Cook, Ian	\$10 REFUND
9. Terry Fuller	WALLAROO PAYMENTS
10. ALL CLUBS	MINUTES OF AUGUST DELEGATES MEETING AND 2010 AGM
11. Cook, Ian	Fw: Baldchin Groper State Record
12. Ian Cook	Re: \$10 REFUND
13. Pat Shinnick	Re: John Curtis Contact details please
14. Curtis, John SCAC	Fw: World Sports Expo
15. Terry Fuller	Purchase of laser printer for Competitions Officer
16. Peter Aleksander	Re: World Sports Expo
17. Marcia Pekaar	Re: Enclosures With Minutes
18. Pekaar, Marcia NDAC	Fw: AAA 2011 - SET PROGRAMME FOR SOUTH WEST ROCKS.
19. Fuller, Terry	MAGIC NISSAN
20. Marcia and Peter Pekaar	Re: Rig Diagram For Inclusion to Delegates
21. Carol Parsons	Re: CONTACT
22. Shinnick, Pat	AGM & ANGLER OF THE YEAR EXPENSES
23. ALL CLUBS	AAAWA DELEGATES MEETING
24. Chas Riegert	Re: AAWA DELEGATES MEETING
25. Jennie Stoeckel	Re: Affiliation on website
26. Fuller, Terry	Fw: Affiliation on website
27. Plumridge, Ian	Re: Mandurah Offshore Fishing and sailing club

### 10. BUSINESS ARISING FROM CORRESPONDENCE

Paul Longo from Perth Offshore Boat AC noted that he had not received the account for AAWA affiliation and the secretary will re-send this. It was moved by Don Cox and seconded by George Holman that the correspondence be accepted. Motion carried.

### 11. TREASURERS REPORT

General Account Balance \$16,753.25	Carnival Account Balance \$1640.85
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#### Income for Sept 2010

AAA	Refund of 2010-2011 Affiliation fee (paid by G Holman)	50.00
Mindarie & Dist SSC	2010-2011 Affiliation fee	200.00
M Harris & V Alexander	Settlement of financials for Dry Casting Champs 2009	122.45
Quinns Rocks FC Inc	2010-2011 Affiliation fee	100.00
Cockburn Power Boats	2010-2011 Affiliation fee	200.00
Surf Casting & Angling Club	2010-2-11 Affiliation fee	200.00
Total income		\$872.45

#### Accounts for payment Sept 2010

Diane McDonough	Secretariat	\$500.00
inet	Website & email account	40.00
Telstra	Telephone account	40.18
Harvey Norman	Brother HL-2140 laser printer	88.00
Pat Shinnick	Reimbursement of Angler of the Year/AGM expenses	216.25
Bunnings (G Holman)	Batteries for Dry Casting radios	21.90
Total for payment		\$906.33

It was noted that the Competitions Officer, Paul Frzop, will hold the laser printer and it will be available for use at all AAAWA competitions.

It was proposed by Marcia Pekaar and seconded by James Strong that the Treasurer's Report be accepted and the accounts passed for payment.

## 12. INDIVIDUAL REPORTS

### President's Report

John Curtis commented that it was some years since he had been in the position of President and he is keen to see the organisation flourish. He stressed that he wants to be kept in the loop by delegates and that all matters of concern should be emailed to him immediately. He wants sub-committees to be autonomous and to bring policies and decisions for ratification by AAAWA only. Media statements or comments made on behalf of the AAAWA should only be made by John himself, unless he gives a specific directive to a delegate. All matters concerning Recfishwest should be forwarded to Terry Fuller with a copy to John Curtis.

### Estuary, Rock and Beach Report

Don reported that with the Super Vets category starting up another set of trophies needs to be made up and he queried if Super Vets includes ladies. George responded it is one category only and includes ladies.

The Estuary event weigh-in will be at Cockburn sound. Don will get in touch with Troy Park to get approval for weigh-in but stressed that boats cannot be parked in car park. If anyone knows of a more suitable site with power, please let Don know.

### Boating Report

Plans for the next Boat Championships are making good progress, all rules are complete with some changes to the species list. There are 4 categories, Men's, Ladies, Juniors and Vets. There will be no Super Vets in the State Titles.

Pat Shinnick drew delegates' attention to the following notice:

#### **Notice to all Mariners / Boating Fisherpersons**

Did you know that there are octopus pots out in the ocean, with similar markings as cray pot lines? Each pot has an X marked prior to the pot identification license number. Please be on the lookout for these when travelling and fishing, as there have been reports of fishing gear being left on the pots and also pots being cut off due to propeller damage caused by boats. The transport industries have also been notified as there are large number of liners and cargo ships that do a lot of damage in these instances. Please treat them as though they were cray pots and if you do happen to foul them up with your tackle, please mark them with warning tags or tie a large knot in the rope to alert the deck hands to a possible danger. If you happen to accidentally cut one off, please take the time to locate the rope and re-tie them up. thank you for your attention, and valued assistance.

### Dry Casting Report

14 people attended a recent meeting at George's and subject to rule changes (see notice of motion) the Dry Casting rules will be put on the website and handed out to clubs. Trophies have been prepared and medallions will be organised. George will be guided by nominations to see whether Super Vet trophies are required. Nominations to be in by the Wednesday night before the competition. Distance draws for accuracy will be done at the Captains' meeting at 7.45 am. Surf Casters are doing a sausage sizzle and drinks for the day and George hopes other groups will be forthcoming to assist.

Dates for the National Championships at South West Rocks are now confirmed for 26 July – 11 August 2011. Casting will be held on Monday & Tues 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> August 2011 at Port Macquarie. George hopes that Boaties will participate as hiring a boat is an option through boatyards and for Rock and Beach people there is plenty of estuary, rock and groin fishing available. The Expression of Interest form will be in the minutes, if interested persons could return it over the next month or so. There is plenty of room, good toilet facilities and a canteen.

### **West Coast Demersal Scalefish Public Consultation Meetings.**

As advised in my reports for July and August, the Department of Fisheries has released of a draft report on allocation of West Coast demersal fish species for the commercial and recreational sectors. 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 have held public meetings to provide information to the recreational fishing sector about these developments. These meetings presented an opportunity for the recreational sector to provide feedback to IFAAC before the process is finalised.

Recfishwest has prepared and published a draft of its submission for recreational fishers' comments to help develop the final submission. Final submissions to IFAAC close **30 September 2010**.

### **Changes to fish possession limits.**

Delegates may have seen the article in the Sunday Times that there are changes coming to fish possession limits.

As you will be aware, fishing rules are different within the 4 regions in WA, and for some very good reasons. The Minister for Fisheries has demanded simpler fishing rules. Dept of Fisheries piggy backed changes to possession limits in this "simplifying fishing rules."

As the recognised Peak Recreational Fishing Body, Recfishwest now has the role of carrying out public consultation on ANY and ALL changes which affect recreational fishing.

People within the Dept have been told in completely unambiguous terms that NO changes to possession limits will be considered by Recfishwest under the guise of "simplifying rules."

Despite this, it seems that some in the Department are continuing to propose changes without yet justifying what if any drivers there are for changes, apart from anecdotal or ideological reasons.

The current possession limit regulations have great holes, including possession limits in the permanent place of residence, consignment, giving fish to other non fishing people, compliance checking and definitions, which effectively turn the so called "possession limit" into little more than a "while away from your home" limit, with no effect on any people who operate from their home and who ignore the possession limit.

The Recfishwest Board is very concerned that recent comments which led to the article are pre-empting that "consultation" will support changes, and/or are assuming that the changes someone in Fisheries wants will mostly go ahead regardless of the results of any "consultation".

The Recfishwest Board will take strong action with Dept of Fisheries on this and ensure that Recfishwest internal processes cover this.

### **Revision of Recfishwest's website.**

The Recfishwest website <http://www.recfishwest.org.au/> has been completely rearranged under a contract issued by Recfishwest staff to a local web developer and with content provided by RFW staff. The contract relied on and left many decisions to the web developer. There have been long delays and there are still many items which are not complete, do not work consistently or need considerable further development or rework.

My several years' involvement with the development of and adding new content of the RFW website has now ended. I have resigned from the position of Chairman of the RFW Communications and Membership Committee for 2009/2010. My term as the Recfishwest Board Member for the Australian Anglers Association continues until October 2011.

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](mailto:terryfuller@inet.net.au) with any questions or comments.

### **Business Arising from the Recfishwest Report**

- Pat has used a lot of the content from the RFW draft submission on demersal fish allocations as a draft AAAWA submission and has distributed it with positive feedback. Once complete he will send it out as a Word document so that people can adapt it and send it off to Fisheries themselves.

- Pat asked if RFW should be telling Dept of Fisheries about the deficiencies in the Possession limit regulations. Terry explained that the Dept was well aware of these, and his report was to the Delegates to inform them about just some of the problems, because any unjustified reductions would affect people while away from home. For example, possession limits are meant to apply state-wide but there is no enforcement of possession limits in the permanent place of residence, and possession is not linked to the fact that a person has ever fished.
- Pat also raised the subject of the Dept of Fisheries research seminar on juvenile Dhufish and has let RFW know that he is unhappy about AAAWA not being invited to attend the seminar, at which there was only one recreational fishing representative.

(Since the meeting, on checking it was found that this seminar was held some time ago in mid March, was organised by the Dept of Fisheries not Recfishwest, and the outcomes have only recently been publicised in <http://www.fish.wa.gov.au/docs/frf/fr210/fr210.pdf> )

- Terry commented that one aim of the new RFW website was to better communicate with recreational fisherpersons, but he believes this has not yet happened for many of the topics recently and currently being covered by Recfishwest. He has many concerns about the new website and the features it provides. He has offered to give detailed comments but this offer has not yet been taken up.
- Pat's viewpoint is that boating people generally feel that RFW are dictating to them on some issues rather than being proactive and he feels that AAAWA should formally complain to RFW about being left out of some of the consultation and decision making processes.
- John Curtis suggested that the Boating subcommittee document their comments to Recfishwest or formulate a question which could be asked at question time at the RFW AGM. Terry Fuller said that a written approach is essential and needs to be carefully crafted to ensure that the real issues and concerns are properly expressed and covered and an answer can be followed up.
- Pat commented that access to Department of Fisheries research results has long been a contentious issue.

### **Recording Officer Report**

No report.

John Curtis advised that Ian Cook and himself have reviewed some of the records and found about 13 records which have not been recorded. A recent record application for the Bald Chin Groper has been rectified and the applicant has been sent an apology and a refund. John wants to know where AAAWA is with these records and the website needs to be updated so the general public and clubs can refer to it at competition weigh ins. John also commented that Ian is struggling with poor quality photos and trying to identify fish, e.g. Trevally and Whaler Sharks which have a number of species. Photos need to be clear and full framed. There have also been problems getting correct identification from museums and clarification needs to be sought.

### **Competitions Officer Report**

No report

## **GENERAL BUSINESS**

### **Notice of Motion - Proposed changes to AAAWA State Dry Casting Rules.**

At the July meeting It was proposed by Terry Fuller that the following changes be made to the AAAWA State Dry Casting Rules (seconded by Ian Cook). Delegates were asked to vote on the following:

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 90.0 mm long and 13.0 mm in diameter. It shall be attached to a swivel, ring or dropper loop by a line of minimum length of 230 mm. The length of the leader to the weight must be less than 1000 mm. 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 350 mm long. 56 or 84 gram weights may also be used for 112 gram events.

#### **3.5.8 Double handed accuracy rigs.**

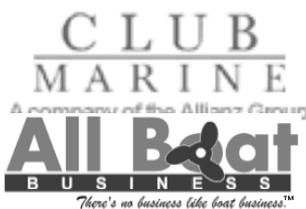
A visual aid in the form of a pompom must be used for double handed accuracy events. Pompoms shall be dark in colour with a maximum overall length of 100 mm and a minimum overall length of 50 mm and consist of a minimum of thirty (30) strands of 8-ply wool or equivalent. Pompoms may be securely attached 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 250 mm long. Weights may be up to 112 grams.

It was moved by Don Cox and seconded by George Holman. Motion carried unanimously.

Peter Stoeckel sought clarification on the 8 ply wool or equivalent and George advised that it will be supplied on the day. Also included in the Minutes is a diagram of rigs.

## **16. CLOSE MEETING**

The meeting closed at 8.52 pm.. The next Delegates meeting will be held on 19<sup>TH</sup> October 2010.



### CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2010-2012

<b>2010</b>	
October	• Dry Casting Competition Sunday 31 <sup>st</sup> October 2010 at Yokine Reserve
November	• Estuary event 27 <sup>th</sup> / 28 <sup>th</sup> November. Swan & Canning Rivers/Cockburn Sound.
<b>2011</b>	
March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup> &amp; 7<sup>th</sup> March. Beach and Rock event at Cheynes Beach Caravan Park, boundaries Bremer Bay river mouth to Albany Harbour Jetty.</li> <li>• State Boating Championships. To be held at Hillarys, hosted by Marmion Angling &amp; Aquatic Club.</li> </ul>
April	• 20-23 April New Zealand Nationals – Held at Orewa (north of Auckland). More info: <a href="mailto:nzaca@xtra.co.nz">nzaca@xtra.co.nz</a> or <a href="mailto:secretary@nzaca.co.nz">secretary@nzaca.co.nz</a>
October	• Beach & Rock event at Port Gregory. Boundaries Kalbarri to Bowes River Mouth.
<b>2012</b>	
March	1 <sup>st</sup> weekend in March 2012 State boat champs Jurien Bay hosted by TBA.

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

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