



AUGUST NEWSLETTER

Next Meeting **Tuesday** 2nd

7pm Beenligh Bowls Club

11 Hanover St, Beenligh

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Please note, our meeting night has been changed to the first Tuesday of the month

With the fire at the Bowls Club, the new temporary? venue is the Community Centre, 10 James St, Beenligh. Limited parking, but room in the National Bank park next door.

Next Meeting

This is our annual AGM for the election of office bearers for 2016/17. Annual fees (see at bottom of newsletter) are due by this meeting. Reports as follow.

Presidents Report

SBSFC 2015-2016 Presidents Report

Firstly, I would like to thank all the members who took on committee roles this year for their efforts in keeping the club running smoothly as always. It's been something of a tumultuous year with the fire at the Beenleigh Bowls Club causing the meetings to be relocated to the Beenleigh Community Centre for the foreseeable future. Hopefully we'll be back in the newly refurbished bowls club before Christmas.

It's also been a very sad year with the passing of Bob and Ruth Hartley in a tragic accident last November. Bob was a much valued member of the club with a wicked sense of humour and a great love of fly fishing. His presentations on his trips to the wilds of New Zealand were always a highlight at meetings. He will be sorely missed.

In the 2014-2015 Presidents Report I mentioned the goal of streamlining meetings and trip dissection as an addition to any guest speakers we may attract. I feel we achieved some success at this but more will need to be done. Attracting guest speakers is still an issue.

I feel we have made efforts in increasing the knowledge of members with regard to fishing methods and locations. Perhaps trips targeting new species in different locations could be considered by the trip committee. The third item on my wish list was attracting new members. This has been an issue since I joined the club. Another brain storming get-together may be worthwhile to address this issue.

My only wish for the coming year is to relinquish all duties on the executive committee and become an observer at meetings for a while. I've served as Treasurer and President for a number of years and it's time someone else stepped up. I still want to be involved but in a lesser role i.e. trip committee etc.

That being said, Neil McNeil also would also like to relinquish the role as secretary. He lives at Kippa Ring and works at a demanding job which makes the secretary role more difficult than it should. At the upcoming AGM all positions will become vacant so please consider taking on an executive position and give it a go. Any outgoing office bearer will be more than happy to back you up and give you all the support you need.

I'm looking forward to the next fishing year and hopefully I can attend more trips than I did this past year.

All the best to the committee members in 2016/2017 and see you all at the meetings.

John Eldred – President

Secretary's Report

Secretary's Report – 2015/2016

I can't believe that another year has passed already and I have not been able to find someone to take on the role of Secretary, we do need to work on getting other members to be involved in the running of our club, in order to bring some new thinking to the committee. This year has seen some challenges brought for the sport fishing clubs due to the issues associated with the structure of ANSA Qld and the changes to the tagging program brought about by Inforfish.

I believe that the decision for ANSA Qld to start a separate tagging program is a positive one and will leave it to Kevin to cover the detail. We have not had a lot of success in growing our membership; however it is encouraging to see some increased interest in the last couple of weeks. I would like to thank Ray Brickell for his ongoing efforts in getting our info out through the various community newsletters and newspapers.

Although our membership is small it is great to see that we have a strong core of members, with a good level of participation in trips and monthly meetings.

Neil McNeil

Secretary

Treasurers Report

Being compiled, to be presented at AGM

Recorder's Report

Recorders Report 2015/16, - Lloyd Willmann

ANSA Qld Top Club competition 2015/16 - Many of our club members participated this year recording the different species they capture throughout the year. To participate, just add your species to the list that circulates at the club meetings (only those species that aren't already on the list please). Fish can be caught using any ANSA method ie. sportfishing, lurecasting, fly etc. This year 42 species were put on the list, 3 up on last year, but we need to record a lot more if we are to get anywhere close to Bundaberg's effort. **Notes:-** (1) Only those species that are on the ANSA Qld list are eligible. (2) Try to be as specific as you can with the identification as it saves me a lot of time flicking through Grants Guide to Fishes.

SBSFC Length only, Record Chart - There were 2 new records added to our Length Only chart this year. A 920mm Murray Cod in the Div.1 Sportfishing by Jeff Maddelena and a 1120mm Murray Cod in Div. 2 Lurecasting by Neil McNeil ... it was a good club trip to Glenlyon last November. An electronic copy of the records will be circulated and I encourage everyone to print out a copy and keep with your fishing gear. As you will see, we are only keeping the records in Div.1 (Sportfishing) and Div.2 (Lurecasting) and there are a lot of species not yet entered. To get in the records, beat an existing record by a min of 5mm, or enter a new species (must be at least legal size to qualify). If you want to participate, give the written details including: your name, species, length, location of capture and date of capture to me at a meeting or email me at willmannl@bigpond.com **Note:** any species from the ANSA National Handbook can qualify.

Individual Masters captures (All Tackle - 1 & 1/2 times legal length) - A few individual Masters captures were recorded this year with member Brad Baldwin finally cracking number 11 (a 90cm Murray cod at Glenlyon on the club trip). Due to a stuff up on my part, his masters certificate was not applied for in 2014/15, but it should be in his hands for this AGM ... congratulations Brad .. To enter a Masters capture (length only), the fish must be one and a half times the legal length (ANSA Q length .. refer ANSA Q Handbook).

May your rod bend often in 2016/17

Lloyd Willman – Recorder , Southern Brisbane Sportfishing Club

Tagging Officer's Report

2016 Saw a general increase in tagging activities, compared to recent years. We have several members actively tagging and others tagging on selective trips. In all there were 52x tag sheets submitted, and 10x recaptures since the last AGM. In 2015 28 tag sheets submitted, and 15x recaptures since the last AGM.

Recaptures for those more frequent taggers is steady, with recaptures for members coming in most months. The reason for this maybe of the back of heightened environmental information and the various educational information/newsletters etc. being distributed by the various organizations.

Unfortunately, current tagging activities have been put on hold till the ANSA Tagging Program and Tags become available. As discussed at the last meeting, please return any unused Info-fish tags, they'll be consolidated and returned as a batch to Info-fish. Historical Data for taggers can be accessed via;

The website for Suntaggers is available at <http://suntag.org.au> The website for Info-Fish is available at <http://info-fish.net>

There is a range of information, reports and data available on both these website for those interested in becoming involved in tagging, or taggers to check their tagging efforts. Once the ANSA tagging details become available, These details will be made available to the SBSFC membership. Once the New process for recording and submitting data is available I'll present this information to the membership.

Regards, Kevin Ford.

Upcoming Club Trips

Pimpama River August 28th - The Flathead fishing will be improving at this time of year, if you can steer around JC's crab pots. The suggested start point would be the Pimpama River ramp at the end of Colman Rd.

Albert River Bass Tagging September ? – This our regular tagging trip on the upper tidal section of the Albert River. Last year we camped on Willman's Island, and overnighted. If this is the case, this year, a top weekend. The date proposed is not convenient, so Lloyd will confirm the date and trip details this meeting.

Fishing Skills Day and Barbeque October 9th – A day to teach each other various fishing skills? Cast netting, casting etc, Venue to be decided. (unfortunately Glenys won't be there to teach Ray how to cast with a baitcaster. He was looking forward to a lesson, as he often comments on her expertise in our DVD's)

Jumpinpin Flathead Trip October 23rd – Our regular trip at the peak of the Flathead season.

Glenlyon Trip November November 11th to 18th – Tom has advised us from the wilds of the Gulf Country after having his arms stretched by numerous Barra, that tis is the best week, moonwise for the trip.

Newsletter? temporary editor position up for grabs

Glenys and I will be away for 2 months, September, October, early November on a road trip (with boat in tow of course) to South Australia. Planning to spend a couple of weeks fishing and exploring the Eyre Peninsula (King George Whiting and Australian Salmon are on our bucket list). Coming back via the Flinders Ranges, south along the Coorong, Naracoote, and then Nelson on the Glenelg River, Victoria (Sth Black Bream, Estuary Perch). East through Western and Central Victoria to the Grampians (Trout, Redfin). Back along the Murray at Echuca, and home up through Ben Hall country (Forbes. Orange). Mind you, it could be bit cool, so Glen went out and bought new minus 7 sleeping bags today. I hope we last the distance. Naturally I can't do the newsletter for this period, so another will have to put their hand up.

Australian Lure Expo

If you are lure fisherman, you should have gone. Handmade Australian lures of all types on display and sold. Below are a few pics of the entries in the competition ran for the best lures in various categories. The ones shown are one offs, in the most different designs and they MUST swim to eligible.



These are LURES!!!



Members Fish Pics

Kev's start to the peak Flathead Season plus Bream on a Fly on the side



Mal took time out to toss a lure in the farm dam, he's been camped beside the last few weeks, renovating his latest caravan. A Bass he stocked in there as a fingerling over 5 years ago.

Mal is selling his canoes. The single Old Town Canadian for \$1000 and a 2 person square stern glass for \$300. Contact him on 0437-870202



Annual Membership Fees (Due by August Meeting)

Normal Membership - \$70

Family Membership - \$90

Student over 16 - \$20

Student under 16 (non family) \$15

Junior – \$15

You can pay by cash at a meeting or by direct deposit into BSB 814282 Account 30814236

Any club member wishing to sell gear, please let me know so I can place it in the newsletter