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# NEWSLETTER

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## **Next Meeting**

THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE ON MONDAY the 5<sup>TH</sup> of March 2007 at 7:30pm (even if it's a public holiday) at the Beenleigh Bowls Club, 11 Hanover Street, Beenleigh. See access map further on in this Newsletter.



Rachel Ford learning the art of fly fishing with Leeann Payne at Hinze Dam in January. It was also reported that Rachel managed to out fish her dad Kevin on this particular weekend.

## **Guest Speaker:**

Sorry Guys. Details of who the guest speaker is for the March meeting are not confirmed at this time. My wife Rachel did say that she would give a talk on "Living with a fisherman". I think she may have been having a go at me.

<u>Acknowledgement:</u> This Newsletter was kindly copied by Kay Elson's office at no charge to the club. Special thanks to Neville Wright for his kind assistance

March trips: The March Trip Is another local one. This time it is being held in the southern part of Moreton Bay on the 4<sup>th</sup> of March. We will be launching from Redland Bay boat ramp and the target species is Snapper; if you are interested please call John Cumberland on 3801 1110 or email cumboj@bigpond.com



# LAKE BORUMBA TRIP REPORT 2ºº, 3ºº & 4ºº OF FEBRUARY

By Jeff Maddalena



In all the Borumbu trip was well attended with six club members & two guests making the two-hour trek north. John Cumberland and his son Andrew, Lloyd Willmann, Tom Wallbank, John and Chris Eldred plus Steve (John's cousin) were lucky enough to get up on Friday but there was one unfortunate straggler (yours truly) who arrived early Saturday afternoon. We stayed at the always-friendly Borumba Deer Park, which is about 5 minutes drive from the dam. Two cabins were booked for the weekend and with the cabin cost shared made the weekend most affordable.

Friday saw Lloyd and Tom concentrating their fishing efforts up the Kingaham Creek arm trying to catch Tom's first lure caught Saratoga. Five hours on Friday afternoon saw this experienced pair of fishermen lure casting everything from hard bodies, spinnerbaits, beetle spins to softies. There were some missed opportunities, Tom had one bump and Lloyd was hooked up for about two seconds. Lloyd was planning to use his fly rod but the persistent southeast winds and the heavy rain showers on Friday afternoon ensured the fly rod stayed in its case all weekend.

JC and Andrew had a different strategy on Friday and were fishing off a point in the main part of the Lake. They were rewarded with some nice Golden Perch when trolling with black and white Flicks10 lures. The afternoon showers then forced everybody back to the cabins for an enjoyable evening telling tales and having a few (too many) drinks.

Everyone got away for an early start on Saturday morning and fished at various locations around the Lake. There were a few Bass caught early on but the activities of the ski boats in the area may put the fish and possibly the fishermen off. So it was back to camp for a bite to eat and maybe a chance for a little nanna nap.

I had arrived mid Saturday afternoon to find the cabins deserted with only John Eldred's Hilux and boat at the camp. After tapping on the door and yelling, I decided that the cabins were empty. So I proceeded to cook some lunch on the nearby BBQ. Half an hour had passed and I was just about to head to the boat ramp to launch the canoe when a blurry eyed John Eldred emerged from cabin 2. After about an hour John was fully awake and he kindly offered me the position of deckie for the remainder of the weekend, which I gladly accepted.

Meanwhile on the water the place to be was the Kingaham creek arm, if not for the fishing it was just to get out of the wind. JC and Andrew were casting spinnerbait, then a funny thing happened. JC was SHAT on by a Cormorant! Told you it was funny, or everyone except JC thought so. They say that having a bird POO on you is good luck, it must be true because 5 minutes later JC had managed to catch a 60 + cm Saratoga. Then about 10 minutes later missed another Toga that was even bigger. On the way back to the boat ramp JC and Andrew fished a few points as they had done the previous afternoon and Andrew was rewarded with a 44 cm Bass.



Lloyd and Tom were fishing back at Kingaham arm where they had hits on Friday. Not a hit, the only thing that did happen to them was on the way back. Deciding to fish in the Borumba Creek arm Lloyd noticed a small boiling of gasses in the water, this eventually grew to a few meters in diameter. Lloyd and Tom decided to get out of there and later nicknamed the place "the Bermuda Triangle".

Chris and Steve were also doing it hard. They were concentrating on Bass as they were prefishing the Lake for a competition in a few weeks. They did manage to catch a few Bass. John and I were also fishing Kingaham Creek Arm. As John was having knee problems he couldn't operate the electric motor control. So the captain sent his deckie up front to control the boat. As I have not had a go at an electric remote control it was very amusing, for John anyway! I should have warned John that it takes a while for me to get my eve in, some of my casts may have been a bit off course. Anyway next time I will take a small chainsaw. We fished the shaded areas around the bank without any success then decided to try around a rocky out crop in the afternoon sun. John was using spinnerbaits and I was using a Fred Arbogast Jitterbug. Finally a strike. But sadly there was no weight on my lure. I estimate that the Toga may have been around 50cm as I got a good look at him when it came out of the water. The best part about fishing surface lures is even if you miss a fish it still gets the adrenalin flowing and besides you can always get a better story from the one that got away.

Sunday was another early start with everyone waking about 4 am. The wild life at the deer park is amazing; when we were packing our gear in the boat we had Sugergliders flying from tree to tree! The night caretaker was also walking around looking for a BOOM BOOM BOOM sound. He thought it was some young partygoers with the latest club mix; he should have been chasing the Emu in the next paddock. Must have been a long night.

The fishing was much the same on Sunday. I was again fishing with John and we headed back to the same rocks that we fished on Saturday. A few casts in to it and I had another strike. This time it was a small Saratoga may be 30 to 40 cm and another miss. Taking Johns advice I cast at the spot again and I think that I hit the same Toga right in the head. Fish do talk, because I swear that this one said PISS OFF!

Moving on to a fallen tree about 15 minutes later another hit. This time the Toga did contact but

only on the top of the lure as it now has a tooth mark in it. All this time I am thinking of the previous years trip to Borumba where my dad caught a 54cm Toga on about the ninth cast, teamwork! Yes teamwork!

JC and Andrew had trolled up a few more bass early but as the ski boats were at in again, it was time to call it a day.

Another top club trip, although only one Saratoga was caught maybe due to the poor weather conditions but a fun time was had by all. Both on and off the water.

#### JOKE OF THE MONTH

It's a beautiful, warm spring morning and a couple are spending the day at the zoo. She's wearing a loose fitting, spring dress, sleeveless with straps. He's wearing jeans and a T-shirt. As they walk through the ape exhibit, they pass in front of a very large hairy gorilla. Noticing the girl, the gorilla goes mad. He jumps up on the bars, and holding on with one hand, he grunts and pounds his chest with his free hand. He is obviously excited at the pretty lady in the wavy dress.

The husband, noticing the excitement, thinks this is funny, and suggests that his wife teases the poor creature some more. He gets her to pucker her lips, wiggle her bottom at the ape, and play along. She does, and the Gorilla gets even more excited, making noises that would wake the dead.

Then the husband suggests that she let one of her straps fall to show a little more skin. She does, and the Gorilla is about to tear the bars down.

"Now try lifting your dress up your thighs and sort of fan it at him," he says. This drives the gorilla absolutely crazy and he starts doing flips. With that, the husband grabs his wife by the hair, rips open the door to the cage, slings her in with the gorilla and slams the cage door shut.

"Now, tell HIM you have a headache."

#### **2006/07 COMMITTEE**

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#### LIBRARY STUFF

The club library has the following items available for borrowing by the members. They are available at our monthly club meetings. A \$20 deposit will be required please, just to make sure they come back at the next meeting.

- ET's Bass and Barra Fishing
- Gently Does it when releasing fish booklet and DVD
- Gillies Introduction to Fly Fishing
- Squidgy Secrets Part 1 Basics
- The Kayak Fishing Video (On DVD)
- Basic Bait Fishing (DVD)
- Queensland's Freshwater Fishing Impoundment Guide (NAFA / Tourism Queensland)
- Queensland's Offshore Fishing Guide (NAFA / Tourism Queensland)
- Evinrude Etec DVD
- Zed Lure field test series 2004 parts 1 to 4

#### SPECIAL DEALS

#### Troy Park, Mobile Outboard Mechanic

Ph: 0407 198 728 – offers a discount to club members, and has been found to be good value.

#### **Marine Welding**

Members should note that Jason Small of J & T Marine Welding is a brilliant aluminium and stainless steel welder, located near the Gem Hotel, and is prepared to do small jobs like repairing small leaks and cracks in tinnie hulls. He is a really straight shooter, and his charges are embarrassingly low, based on one member's experience (two jobs). Phone Jason on 3807 8746 if you need his help.

#### R.T.L. Trailers - 3287 4241

Mark builds trailers and repairs them very economically – a good tradesman too.

79 Boundary Street, Beenleigh.

#### Beenleigh Bait & Tackle

The new owners of the local bait and tackle shop are improving their range of stock, and their prices for both gear and rod and reel repairs appear to be very competitive. They will happily give a 10% discount to any Club Member who shows their membership card.

Beenleigh Bait & Tackle now also distribute a few Newsletters for us – check them out!

#### **Des Hughes Marine Services**

A few club members use and recommend Des. His marine repairs are inexpensive and very good. So if you have a problem with your boats give Des a call!

Des Hughes Marine Service 192 North Road Woodridge (Next to BP Garage)

Ph: 3208 3349 Mob: 0409 274 136

#### GEAR FOR SALE & WANTED

FOR SALE – Seadoo Jetski 1999 GTX Ltd on trailer. Both reg May 2007. 3 Seater. Maroon & white. One lady owner since new. Just completed full engine rebuild @ 211 hours. Drive shaft rebuild @ 175 hours. Regularly serviced by dealer Excellent condition. \$6990 Contact Jeff or Rachel Ph 3382 6540 or 0417 233 116

<u>FOR SALE</u> – 12 foot **Canadian canoe** with removable outrigger and paddles.
Good Condition. - \$300
Contact Jeff Ph 0401 490 151

To place an ad, simply e-mail or give the ad contents to your Editor. imaddalena@optusnet.com.au



#### Club Logos for Shirts and Stickers for Boats

Just a reminder - for \$10.00 you can have the SBSFC logo embroidered onto your own shirt. Bring your dress shirt / polo shirt or fishing shirt to the meeting with \$10.00 and it will be back at the following meeting. The \$10.00 fee includes a \$1.00 levy that will go towards reimbursing the club for the \$75.00 set up cost.

Tom Wallbank has had a number of large and small boat stickers printed, and these are available for sale at every meeting. COST-Small \$1: Large \$5

#### **USEFUL NUMBERS & WEB SITES:**

SE Qld Boating Weather 1300 360 428 Qld Marine Warnings 1300 360 427 Fishwatch Hotline 1800 017 116 Bureau of meteorology

http://www.bom.gov.au/index.shtml

Sweetwater fishing

http://sweetwaterfishing.com.au/

Crabpot Theft Hotline 1800 017 116

Bonzer imports http://www.bonzerimports.com/

Brownies coast watch

http://www.browniescoastwatch.com/

SEQ kayak fishing

http://members.optusnet.com.au/aus-kayakfishing/

Southern Brisbane Sportsfishing Club http://www.sbsfc.org/

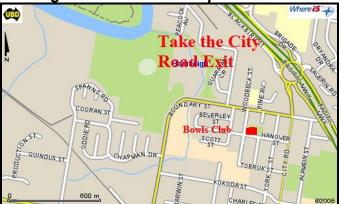
#### NEW MEMBERS

**Prospective Members reading this Newsletter** will be made very welcome at any Club meeting – so please come along and check us out at our next meeting on the first Monday of the month at 7:15pm.

NOTE: - The Bowls Club has a Bar. Please remember the gear swap table at the meeting - bring your swaps or items for sale. This can be a great club facility if we all use it.

Single membership - \$58.00 p.a. Family Membership - \$78.00 p.a. Student (over 16) - \$20.00 p.a. Child(under 16) no parent in club-\$20.00 Child(under 16) parent in club- \$10.00

Meeting Room Location Map:





# "CATCH OF THE MONTH". Just email your photos to <a href="mailto:jmaddalena@optusnet.com.au">jmaddalena@optusnet.com.au</a> and your prized catch will appear in the newsletter.



Michael Horseburgh is a good friend of your editor and a very creative fisherman. This 45cm Bass was captured in the fresh reaches of the Manning River up stream of Wingham in NSW. Mick fishes from a kayak and uses his own lures made from old thongs.



## TRIPS CALENDAR 2007

Month	Dates	Species	Water Body	Nearest Town
January	20 <sup>th</sup> -21 <sup>st</sup>	Shark,Mud Crab, Mullet & Bass	Albert River	Patterson Rd, Yatala
	14 <sup>th</sup>	Bream, Snapper	Mud Island	Fisherman's Island
February	2 <sup>nd</sup> -3 <sup>rd</sup>	Bass, Saratoga	Borumba Dam	lmbil
	25 <sup>th</sup>	Flathead	Southport Broadwater	Jubilee Bridge Ramp
March	4 <sup>th</sup>	Snapper	Southern Moreton Bay	Redland Bay Ramp
April	<b>22</b> <sup>nd</sup>	Bass	Hinze Dam	Advancetown
	21 <sup>st</sup> -25 <sup>th</sup>	Mangrove Jack,Reef & Pelagics	Burrum Heads	Burrum Heads
May	20 <sup>th</sup>	Bream, Flathead, Mulloway	Jumpinpin	Horizon Shores Ramp
June	9 <sup>th</sup> -11 <sup>th</sup>	Bass	Somerset Dam	Kirkleigh
	11 <sup>th</sup>	Snapper	Peel Island	Raby Bay Ramp
July	15 <sup>th</sup>	Bream	Southport Broadwater, Nerang River	Jubilee Bridge Ramp
August	TBA	Mulloway	Jumpinpin	Horizon Shores Ramp
	11 <sup>th</sup> -19 <sup>th</sup>	Tailor, Dart & Mulloway	Fraser Island	Poyungan Rocks
	25 <sup>th</sup>	Bass	Moogera Dam	Kalbar
September	8 <sup>th</sup> -9 <sup>th</sup>	Bass	Boondoomba Dam	Proston
	25 <sup>th</sup>	Bream, Flathead	Jumpinpin	Horizon Shores Ramp
October	13 <sup>th</sup> -14 <sup>th</sup>	Bream, Flathead	Tweed River	Chinderah
November	17-25 <sup>th</sup>	Bass, Barra	Lake Monduran	Gin Gin
	24 <sup>th</sup> -25 <sup>th</sup>	Bass, Barra	Lenthall's Dam	Mary created using BCL easy Printer D
December	9th	Flathead, Jack	Coomera River	Jabiru Is Blick here to puchase a license to re