



MAY NEWSLETTER

Next Meeting Monday 7th May

7pm Beenligh Bowls Club

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Next Meeting

This month, the newsletter editor is centre stage showing you how to repair or even make a fishing rod, if you are inclined to take that path. With the price of rods nowadays, it's often cheaper to buy a new rod if major work is required. If time permits, also a DVD of our trip to Glenlyon in March, which has some footage of how to dissect and fillet a Murray Cod by Mr Dare. Mark Vievers if present might give a briefing on the next club trip.

Coming Trips

The next trip on the calendar, is **Southern Moreton Bay** on the **20th of May**. Mark Vievers is the trip captain for this one, and he will be sending out the details in the prior to the date. The proposed area is around the southern end of Russell Is, mouth of the Logan, the Powerlines etc. Great flathead fishing there at that time, plus Tailor, with Jew and Snapper in the deeper water up around the Giant's Grave. Suggested launch points at Cabbage Tree Pt, or come down from Weinem Ck ramp at Redland Bay.

June Trip

We have the **17th June** at the mouth of the **Brisbane River**, a prime time for Flathead, Tailor and Snapper. If the weather smiles, and your boat is suitable, a run over to Mud Island is possible.

Social Night 26th May

Our midyear social night is at Something Easy restaurant, Shop 5/112 City Rd, Beenligh at 7pm. BYO alcohol. A top spot, with excellent food. Final numbers at this meeting please.

UHF Radio Raffle

A big thanks to Ray Bricknell for donating a hand held UHF radio for a raffle prize last meeting. Won by Lloyd Willman, who now has no excuse for keeping his spots to himself on club trips.

Trip Report - Maroon Dam

Jeff Maddalena being a man of few words has submitted the following report



SELF PORTRAIT

Eight club members attended the Maroon trip. We booked two cabins and had full of the kitchen and lounge room. The dam was hard to fish as usual with lots of weed, but it was not as bad as some of the club trips in the past. JC was first off the mark with a nice fish caught up the creek on Friday afternoon. This was the place to lure fish as it has a nice deep channel and loads of structure. I caught 3 of my 4 Bass up in this part of the dam, all were between 350 and 370mm. Dave Rawlins and Eddie Latz had a good day on Sunday, losing count of how many fish that they caught, even though they were cheating (sorry using live shrimp, I mean) All up, a good weekend with some good fish caught and good company – Jeff M.



HAVE A CUPPA, OWEN. Is that a new motor?



SMILE!!!!



Travelling Bass

A couple of tagged Bass recaptures shows just how resilient the species is. One tagged in North Pine dam, went over the spillway in one of the rain events, travelled down into Moreton Bay, up the Brisbane River, and was recaptured up near the Bremer/Brisbane River junction. The question must be asked as to whether a Bass bred naturally in a river would do this, or only a stocked bass bred in hatchery? Are the Bass stocked in the Albert and Logan doing the same thing in flood time, going up an adjacent stream eg. the Nerang or Brisbane or creeks in between?

Jungle Perch Breeding



Queensland fisheries research station at Bribie are making progress in breeding Jungle Perch, Rock Flagtail by another less used name. Common in North Qld, though under threat by agriculture, they were present further south. A remnant population still exist in creeks on Fraser Island, and possibly on the adjacent mainland. Whether they are genetically the same as the northern population, is a question only biologists could answer. It is hoped they can be re-established in streams in the south of the state.

ANSA Handbook 2012

If you are a financial member for 2012, you should have received a 2012 ANSA handbook in the mail from ANSA Queensland. If you are new to the club and not familiar with the sportfishing movement, you well may ask the question, "what's it all about?" Our club is not into the "hard core" ANSA fishing like some others are, record captures on line classes for example. I used to be in the old days as were other members. Nowadays most of us are simply satisfied to go fishing with like minded mates. Having said all this, the fact exists, that being a member of ANSA allows you to fish to the rules and methods in the book. Lloyd Wilmann is the brains trust on this, and to lesser extent Kev. Tom and myself. If you want the book explained ask us. Before braided line came into use, we all used pretest mono lines which made things simple. Braid is not pretest, and as such can't be used in line class records and awards. As most of us use braid, the length based section in the book for records and the 1.5 times legal length masters awards fits into the use of braid.

CLUB TRIP ILUKA 13th to 20th October

If you are going on this trip, last call for starters. John Eldred is the captain and organiser for this one. He has sent out enough e mails about it so you all should be familiar with the plan. Final details this meeting.

LURE EXPO

If you surf the internet fishing websites, there has been some talk on a lure expo to be held at Fernvale in June/July? organised by Gary Fitzgerald of the Sweetwater Fishing site. Details on it seem to thin on the ground, so if anyone knows anymore let me know.

Captures by Club Members



Mal Brown went out with JC to our Macleay Island spot last week and fluked a nice Snapper

Jeff visited Tom in Ballina during the month and area for Bass, Estuary Perch and Bream



Estuary Perch are more common the further south you go, normally being found in the tidal sections, not found way up in freshwater like Bass. Both occur together in the upper brackish/fresh tidal areas. The difference is to be seen in the fish that Tom is holding, compared to Jeff's Bass, higher shoulders,

with a more pronounced curve to the head, darker eyes, and I think there is a slight difference in one of the fins (have to check on that). I possibly caught one in the Esk River near Iluka decades ago, same features as Tom's.

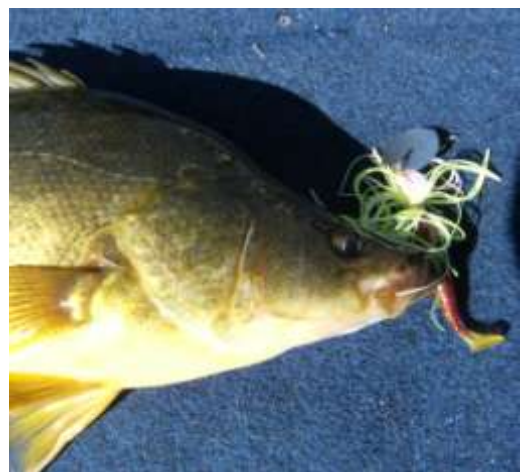


Had to put this one in, my 16kg Murray Cod from Glenlyon in March.

The average size Yellowbelly we were catching



Jigging Blades and my new Shaker Baits worked



New Fisheries Minister

Ross sent out a copy of letter from the new LNP minister for fisheries, who along with dairy cows, sheep, sugar cane and wheat, has the fisheries in his portfolio. Obviously a form letter, with no mention of RECREATIONAL fishing as a separate entity from the commercial sector. The LNP's promise was to look at the Green Zone closures, with a promise to allow fishing in them with one line only. Only time will tell.

Club Membership Information

Meetings are held the first Monday of the month, at 7pm sharp, concluding at 9pm sharp. Drinks are available at the bar.

Membership Fees – Adult single \$60, Family \$80, Student over 16 \$20, Child under 16 (no parent in club) \$20, Child under 16 (parent in club) \$10. Visitors Welcome.

Newsletters are e mailed before club meeting, copies at meeting. Please notify me of any e mail changes

Gear for Sale by Club Members

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

Club Logos & Stickers – Shirts & Boats

Large & small boat stickers – Large \$6 Small \$2

SBSFC Club Logo embroidered on your shirt - \$10 - Bring to a club meeting, Back the next.

LENDING LIBRARY

The club has a number of fishing and fishing associated DVDs for hire. Available at club meetings, a \$20 deposit, refunded when they are returned at the next meeting

DEALS FOR CLUB MEMBERS

Danny Hughes Fishing Restoration – Rod/Reel Repairs Ph 0438 012619

Yatala Outboard Wrecking – Specialising in used parts for all makes & models. Repairs & Servicing – Gary & Trent 3807 2488 – 7 Old Pacific Hwy

Gem Bait & Tackle – 281 Jacob's Well Rd, Alberton Ph 3287 3868

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