

Southern Brisbane Sportfishing Club Inc.

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Newsletter

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Next Meeting

THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE ON MONDAY 4th of September 2006 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.

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.

CLUB FEES NOW OVERDUE!!!!!!!

Single membership is \$58.00 p.a. - Family Membership is \$78.00 p.a.

Guest Speaker:

This month our guest speaker is Brad from Logan River Marine. He will be talking about the Evinrude E-TEC outboard motors. I have read about these motors in The Automotive Engineer magazine and the E-TEC motors have a lot of great features. Brad is also bringing along discount cards to hand out to our club members.

<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.

<u>September trip:</u> The Tweed River is the location for the September club trip with the target species being Bream, Flathead, Trevally & Bass. The yearly boat ramp Bream contest is a must, so come along and try to beat reigning champion Geoffrey Daley. Trip captain is John Cumberland; contact John if you are interested. Trip briefing sheet is in this newsletter.

TRIP REPORT, AUGUST 13TH GOLD COAST BROADWATER

By Jeff Maddalena



Kevin Ford working the Seaway's North Wall

It was shaping up to be a top day for fishing, a pleasant change from the last few weekends with only a slight southerly breeze forecast for the afternoon. Low tide was at 6.00am and a small high at 11.00am, perfect conditions.

I met Kevin Ford at the Loder Creek boat ramp at 6 o'clock as he kindly offered me a lift to the Seaway's North Wall. After Kevin had dropped me at the Hole in the wall he proceeded to fish the end of the North Wall.

My plan was to fish off the end of the North wall, as I have never fished from the wall before. After what seemed like a half hour walk [tip; never follow someone else's foot prints through the sand because they are probably lost, just like you!] I was faced with an impossible fishing location. Huge concrete blocks with 20ft drops in between them made for a very dangerous fishing spot. When I finally found somewhere half decent to fish from it was snag city. I couldn't get my hook back in without getting it caught up in the rocks.

Meanwhile, Kevin had caught a nice little trevally but found the fishing in the Seaway to be a little on the slow side, so he kindly offered to take me up the Nerang River to some of his favourite spots and to meet up with Glen Kennedy in his kayak.

Now I have promised Kevin not to give away his secret fishing spot so I'll just say it's on the Gold Coast near some jetties. That should narrow it down.

We had to work really hard; the bream were very timid because it was a very bright day. We were both using Ecogear SX40 hard body lures but the bream would just follow the lures without striking. About 11am Kevin finally hooked up with a 23cm bream, which was tagged and released. I was starting to give up on catching a fish at all when I hooked a small 32cm Flathead on a Mad Mullet (phew).

Meanwhile Glen was doing it tough as well, working hard bodies around the boats and jetties with no success. I must say that standing in a boat and being able to see the fish around pylons and jetties is a distinct advantage compared to Glen's kayak. But at least Glen got some paddling practice in

Kevin and I called it a day about 1 o'clock. Although we did not catch much I had learnt a great deal about bream fishing that morning. My thanks to Kevin for turning a bad fishing trip into a really good learning experience.



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JOKE OF THE MONTH

Dear Dr.Phil,

When I retired, I could hardly wait to spend time enjoying my favourite pastime -- bass fishing. I got my own little fishing boat and tried to get my wife to join me, but she just never liked fishing. Finally, one day at the Bait & Tackle Shop, I got to talking to Sam; the shop owner who it turned out loves bass fishing as much as I do. We quickly became fishing buddies. As I said the wife doesn't care about fishing. She not only refuses to join us she always complains that I spend too much time fishing.

A few weeks ago Sam and I had the best fishing trip ever. Not only did I catch the most beautiful bass you've ever seen, only a few minutes later Sam must have caught his twin brother! So I took a picture of Sam holding up the two nice bass that we caught and showed the picture to the wife hoping that maybe she'd get interested. Instead she says she doesn't want me to go fishing at all anymore! And she wants me to sell the boat! I think she just doesn't like to see me enjoying myself. What would you do?

Tell the wife to forget it and continue my hobby or quit fishing and sell the boat as

she insists? Thanks.

PS Enclosed is a picture of Sam with the two bass we caught.



Dear Fisherman, Get rid of that narrow - minded wife.

That's a nice pair of bass!

DR. Phil

LIBRARY STUFF

The club library has the following items available for borrowing by the members. Please see Ross on club nights if you want to borrow one of these. 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)

SPECIAL DEALS

Gas Bottle Refills - \$15 for 9 Kg. John Prince has found a place which refills 9 Kg Gas Bottles for \$15. They cost \$22 at the caravan sales place in Yatala, and an exchange bottle at the Shell Service Station in Yatala costs \$29.95. Princie is checking out the cost of gas bottle exchange at Bunnings, where he thinks it is only \$19 – and they'll apparently take "expired" gas bottles One of these days he'll give us some updated details to include in the Newsletter.

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!

GEAR FOR SALE & WANTED

As a service to members, future editions of the Newsletter will contain a small section of For Sale & Wanted Ads. Only paid up members may use this facility. Ads should generally be restricted to fishing and boating related gear - but no value limits apply.

To place an ad, simply e-mail or give the ad contents to your Editor. jmaddalena@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.

WE HAVE TO HAVE A MINIMIUM OF 4 SHIRTS. SO BRING YOUR SHIRTS TO THE CLUB MEETING IN SEPTEMBER !!!!!!!

BOAT STICKERS

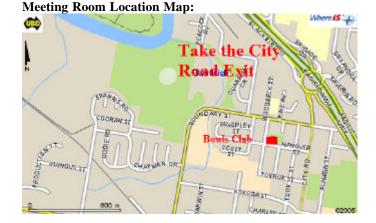
John Cumberland has had a number of large and small boat stickers printed, and these are available for sale at every meeting. COST- Small \$1; Large \$5

USEFUL NUMBERS:

Old Boating Weather 1300 360 426 SE Qld Boating Weather 1300 360 428 **Qld Marine Warnings 1300 360 427** Fishwatch Hotline 1800 017 116 Crabpot Theft Hotline 1800 017 116

Prospective Members reading this Newsletter will be made very welcome at any Club meeting - so please come along the month at 7:15pm.

and check us out at our next meeting on the first Monday of



There is a new section starting in future newsletters called "CATCH OF THE MONTH". Just email your photos to jmaddalena@optusnet.com.au and your prized catch will appear in the newsletter.

Trip Briefing Sheet

Tweed River Trip 2 - 3 September 2006

Trip Captain: John Cumberland

Ph: 3801 1110 Mob: 0421 281 805

Email: cumberlandj@powerup.com.au

Target Species

Flathead, Bream, Trevally & Bass Boat ramp bream contest a yearly event

Fishing Locations

Tweed River - Chinderah, Terranora Inlet, Stotts Island & Murwillumbah

Lures/Bait

Your favourite Flathead/Bream hard body lures & soft plastics. Bait can be purchased locally or pump yabbies, no cast nets in NSW

NSW Fishing License

Tweed Concession Area – 50% reduction 3 day license \$2.50 (available at BP opp. Caravan Park)

ACCOMMODATION

Homestead Caravan Park Chinderah Phone 02 6674 1824

1800 358 899

Email <u>info@homesteadcp.com.au</u>
Website <u>www.homesteadcp.com.au</u>

Tent site \$22 Tent site powered \$25

Cabins \$69, \$72 & \$95

* 2005 prices

Trips Calendar 2006

Month	Dates	Species	Water Body	Nearest Town
March	3 rd -5 th	Various	Bribie Island	Brisbane SFC Interclub Comp
	11 ^{tn} -12 ^{tn}	Saratoga	Imbil Dam	Brisbane Flyfishers Club
	24 th -26 th	Saratoga	Borumba Dam	Imbil
	26 th	Flathead	Peel Island	Cleveland
April	23 rd	Various	Southern Moreton Bay	TBC
	28 th -1 st May	Various	Burnett Heads	Bundaberg SFC
	13 th	Bass	Maroon Dam	Boonah
May	20 ^{tri} -21 st	Various		ANSA Winter State Titles
	27 ^{tn} -28 ^{tn}	Flathead	King of the Pin	Jacob's Well
June	9 ^{tri} -12 ^{tri}	Various	Clarence River	lluka
	11 th	Snapper	Brisbane River	Wynnum
July	15 ^{tn} -16 ^{tn}	Snapper	Bribie Island	Bribie Island
August	12 th -13 th	Bass & Barramundi	Bjelke Petersen Dam	Kingaroy
	13 ^{tri}	Blackfish	Broadwater	Southport
	25 th -27 th		ANSA State Conference	Yeppoon
September	2 nd -3rd	Bream	Tweed River	Homestead Caravan Park Chinderah
October	22 nd	Flathead	Coomera River	<u>Jabiru Island</u>
	29 ^{tri} -5 ^{tri} Nov	Barramundi	Lake Awonga	Brisbane SFC
November	3 ^{ra} -10 th	Barramundi	<u>Lake Monduran</u>	Gin Gin
	5 ¹¹¹	Bass	Crestbrook Dam	Crows Nest
December	16 th			Christmas Party