



SEPTEMBER NEWSLETTER

Next Meeting Monday 3rd September

7pm Beenligh Bowls Club

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Next Meeting

We were going to have Tom and Lloyd do a report on the ANSA state meeting at Yeppoon, however they will be on their way back so it will have to wait to a future night. To replace their report, a DVD on Glenlyon and the Bass tag trip on the lower Albert River on Saturday just gone.

Last Meeting

This was our AGM for 2102/13 with no change in our office bearers, apart from Ray Bricknell who has retired as publicity officer. Thanks for the efforts, mate. The one problem is our club secretary, Ross, who looks like he could be caught up in the public service cuts. A good chance he will be moving to a new job in WA before the year is out. Neil McNeil has stepped into to take over the position. Thanks to Ross for his outstanding work as Secretary, and Neil for putting his hand up.

Coming Trips

15th/16th September – A freshwater trip to Moogerah Dam. Kev Ford is the trip captain on this trip. Kev has sent out the trip sheet for the weekend. A briefing this meeting.

13th to 20th October – A week trip to Illuka. All details for those going should be well in hand by now. John Eldred is the organiser. We really need to know if you are going, a couple have been unsure if they can make it. At the moment the confirmed numbers fill the house, if the undecided come along, the extra accommodation has to be arranged. Pete Thomson is looking for a deckie for part of the week.

26th/27th/28th October – Our regular trip to the Tweed River at Chinderah. JC is the trip captain for the weekend.

3rd/4th November – Our regular trip to Mark Wards property on the Albert R at Kerry, for our Bass & Cod tagging weekend in conjunction with LAFMA. Arrival on the Friday if you are able.

9th to 16th of November – A well attended regular trip, Glenlyon Dam. Again if you are thinking of going, let us know this meeting. We have to know whether to get the 3 cabins or drop back to 2, so make up your minds.

15th of December – Christmas social, again Brad Baldwin has kindly made his entertainment area available for the club. Confirmation of date, times etc by October meeting.

Trip Report – Flathead tagging Jumpinpin 26th September

by Trip Captain Tom Wallbank

Congratulations to the trip committee for choosing the day for the annual 'Pin Flathead tagging trip. It was an absolutely picture perfect day, sunny, blue skies with light variable wind all day. Blue moons come around more regularly than weather like this occurring on a weekend. Unfortunately numbers were down, with only 3 members taking advantage of the perfect weather. Bob Hartley and friend, Kev Ford and myself fishing solo.



The weather was so good, it brought out every type of watercraft known to man, from rubber tubes to 90ft luxury cruisers. The most unusual was a motorised hang glider with an inflatable dinghy complete with outboard, that laded at the 5 Ways. I didn't see any fishing gear on board, but could see some potential for reaching remote locations. The fishing was good, without being spectacular, although Kev might disagree. I finished the day with 12 Flathead, all tagged and released except for one. The best going 58cm. My effort was concentrated around the edge of the weed beds at north Tiplers Passage and around the main channel leading back towards the junction with Jacob's Well channel, an area that has produced croc size fish in the past.

Kev arrived, close to low tide and was trolling 50m behind me hooked up, and landed a 75cm Dusky. To say he was rapt, is an understatement. I'm going to take some credit, as it was my lure that stirred the fish in time to see Kev's lure come past. He had



fished Cobby Passage earlier for 4 Flathead which included a 63cm fish. His total for the day was 9. Bob Hartley wasn't having much luck, hooking a few, but losing them on the way to the net. Unfortunately, the trip attendance was down like last year, which is a shame because it provides a great opportunity to improve Flathead luring, as it is at this time of the year the Dusky is willing to take all types of lures leading up their spawning season.

Trip Report - Albert River Bass Tagging below Woldene Bridge

This is normally one of Lloyd's pet trips, but unfortunately he is at the ANSA state meeting. What a difference from the trip last year. No rain, but bloody freezing, I'm sure there was frost in the hollows. I arrived at first light to see Eddy Latz and JC with their canoes ready to go. While I was unloading the



camo mini bass boat, Kev, Chris Lund and Neil McNeil arrived, followed shortly after by Mal with his new state of the art super yak. Kev, JC and I, disappeared into the freezing cold mist leaving the others to get organised. JC was first off the mark with a 29cm Bass on the ever reliable Mazzi Popper, and I trolled up a Bass the same size a few minutes later. The flotilla now moved up the river, all complaining about cold feet, hands and other body parts. Boy, was that sun welcome when it popped over the ridge tops. The fish weren't biting their heads off, but everyone pulled fish all the way up the



bridge. You had to put the casts tight into the cover, About 20 Bass in total from 28 to 32cm with the majority at 29cm. All silver as tidal Bass seem to be, a bit on the lean side, whether after spawning or being male fish. They seemed to be schooling, with Mal pulling 4 fish and dropping 2 on one snag just below Wolfdene bridge. At about 10am we all moved back down, with about another 6 or so yaks moving up. Not the secret spot it used to be.



We had the wind at our backs on the way back, but a making tide, which made things a bit difficult for Mal when his inadequate battery gave out leaving him to paddle. My towing capability again came into play. (have to charge soon). We all arrived at the causeway at midday, loaded up, some of us stopping for a sausage sizzle and a yarn. A well attended and successful trip.

Club Membership Information

Meeting 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

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