

EDEN AMATEUR FISHING CLUB INC

DECEMBER 2015 NEWSLETTER



SAND WHITING

Fish OF THE MONTH

DECEMBER



SLIMEY MACKEREL

FISH OF THE MONTH

FOR JANUARY

October Bream winners : Alanna Paterson, Jenny Rugg, Gordon Rugg
November luderick winners : No Junior, Jenny Rugg, Gordon Rugg

MEASURE & RELEASE BREAM COMP LEADER : JENNY RUGG 37.0 CM

COMING EVENTS

**January 31st : Seafood cook up, girls night off
Come along and see the boys at work, they did a
fair job last year, can they do it again ?.**



**In the meantime have a great
Christmas and start the New Year
well !!**



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Please assist our volunteer caterers by
advising them as early as possible of your
intention to attend functions

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FISH WEIGHT COMPETITIONS

If you are a member and "have caught the big one" have it weighed! The club has competitions running throughout the year. To enter the competitions, weigh tickets must be presented to the Weigh master.

Our major competition is for the **Heaviest** Fish. The weight of the heaviest fish in a nominated list of species is recorded for the period from 1 July to 30 June. There are four categories in this competition: Men, Ladies, Boys and Girls. The angler who catches the heaviest fish in a species in each category during the year receives a trophy at our presentation night.

The angler from any category who catches the largest number of heaviest fish is awarded the **club champion** trophy.

Also from within this competition, one fish is selected by the committee in each of the categories (Men, Ladies, Boys and Girls) each year for the **Most Meritorious Fish** award.

The second competition is our **Fish of the Month** competition. This competition has three categories, Men, Ladies and Juniors. At the beginning of the year, a nominated species of fish is chosen for each month as the fish of the Month. The list is published in the Newsletter and on the Website. In any month, the angler submitting a weigh ticket for the heaviest nominated fish in a category is awarded a cash prize.

The angler with the heaviest fish is also awarded 3 points, the angler with the next heaviest fish receives 2 points, and all anglers submitting a weigh ticket for the species of the month receive 1 point. Points are tallied throughout the year and an All Rounder Award is presented to the angler scoring the highest number of points by the end of the year, for Seniors (from Men and Ladies) and for Juniors (from Boys and Girls).

EAFC weigh stations include:

- Eden Amateur Fishing club Inc. clubhouse at Quarantine Bay, Eden
- Eden Outdoor and Marine – in the main shopping centre in Eden
- Matildas shop n Go – at the top of the hill as you head south out of Eden.
- Kiah General Store – on the highway 12 minutes' drive south of Eden.
- Wonboyn General Store – 33kms south of Eden in the beautiful village of Wonboyn.
- Shell Bait & Fuel Service Station- Betka Road, Mallacoota, Victoria
- Alpine Angler – Snowy Mountains Highway, Cooma
- Bermagui Bait & Tackle – Bermagui
- Top lake Boat Hire – Lakewood Drive, Merimbula

It is the responsibility of every angler to make sure their fish receipt is correct when weigh in occurs.

All weigh dockets are valid for two months only.



PRESIDENTS REPORT DECEMBER 2015

Hi All,

There have been a couple of big events since my last report, let`s start with a little about the Mallacoota trip.

The weather was looking good for the weekend and everyone was keen to get to the lodge to unwind. This may have been the reason for the large number of errors in judgement made by some members in getting there. One was asked by his wife just after leaving if he had his phone, thinking not he wheeled around and raced home only to discover it was in his pocket all the time. Angry now he sped through Phillipps lane paying no heed to the speed humps and it was probably then that the stay holding his motor up was dislodged, not to be seen again. This was not the end, as he drove past Quarantine Bay turn it dawned on him that a bag containing important items like the remote control for the electric was still at home so time to turn around again. To be finally on the way was a blessed relief but the next hour or so passed very quietly indeed.

Another couple made it almost to the border before one realized that the keys to the yellow boat they were towing were hanging in the workshop. Time for them it was turn around and backtrack until they had phone reception to find a latecomer to pick up the keys.

There is usually one person who comes under notice on these trips, often a female, this time we thought it might be Dave Inge who is finding the transition from skippering the big game boat to the new very small tinny at times challenging. It was not Dave however but the guy who sounds like a pommy who tried to pump nippers at Nullica just before high on a king tide, reckons he nearly drowned, probably an exaggeration but little doubt he got very wet and no nippers. Much later Yogi motored off to Victoria remarking to Mary on the way that they should stop at Cann River for "coop a tea". Luckily Mary was alert as they passed through Genoa and spotted the turn off to Mallacoota therefore saving Yogi from a puzzling situation. This sort of thing continued next day for Yogi, he intended to launch at the Karbeethong ramp but after a couple of wrong turns found himself in Mallacoota town ship 5 kilometres away. Later in the morning, on the water searching for fish his day was to get worse, when he caught a fleeting glimpse of what he thought might be a Dugong passing under his boat. It turned out to be hard bottom and shortly after the boat ground to a clattering halt. Yogi is now the latest member of our rocky bottom club.

In a parting shot at Yogi, he took a whole 6 pack of beers with him for the weekend, and had counted on taking 3 home. Come Sunday morning there were only 2 left, his idea of letting his head go.

The mini comp: Seven teams of three randomly chosen members set out to do battle in what will from now be known as the " KARBEETHONG KUP ", some did very well and some very poorly. The winning combination was team Bobnalong, the captain produced a solid effort scoring 63 points and was well backed up by April with 47 and Yogi chipped in with a hard earned +1 score. April showed supreme confidence in her ability with the decision to sit out the morning session and just go out after lunch and rack up bunch of points. This she did and it displeased her mother (who had blitzed the morning session but failed after lunch) greatly. Wayno with 93 points, Fritz 85 and Alison 60 all scored well but it was teamwork that won the day. The weekend wound up with an excellent Sunday morning cooked breakfast followed by an excursion to the Bunker Museum which is well worth a look.



Team Bobnalong with their prizes



Watching the scoring from the big table

Once again a great weekend was had by all, the worst part being, it just was not long enough !!

The Christmas Party : On a lovely summer evening a good crowd of 69 gathered at the clubhouse for a dress rehearsal for the real event, now only a couple of weeks away. The sound of merriment



One group getting into the Xmas spirit.

rang loud and long and I am sure that all present would agree that the meal served up was as good as it gets. A big thank you to all involved and I will say it again, the sweets we are being treated to at the moment are something very special indeed !!

The Big Hamper: This year it got huge and was won by Carole Edwards. It took Carole and Chris several trips to transport the bounty to the car.

The disappointment of some was eased by winning one of many consolation prizes handed out.

It was a good night to wind up the events of 2015.

Fish of the month : See the results on the front page, it will show a clean sweep of the adults section for Gordon and Jenny who will certainly be out it make it three in a row with the Sand Whiting for December.

March Fishing Comp: The social side of the year may be over but there is no letup for the committee, the huge job of organizing the comp goes on. Letters requesting sponsorships are out and responses trickling in. We are excited by new sponsors Garmin coming on board with a \$5,700 electronics package, Lone star winches with goods worth \$2,700 and Honda Marine offering a small outboard motor, a very attractive prize. The big task ahead is to raise the cash, goods and vouchers to fill the prize pool. Posters will be printed this week and will need to be distributed around town immediately. **The task ahead is daunting**, the committee needs help, any offers of assistance to distribute posters and approach sponsors from you the members would be a blessing.

Fishing report: The fishing is improving there are reports that Kingfish are on the bite with some good fish but a lot of undersized ones. There are spasmodic reports of Snapper and Mowies from the reefs, Flathead are patchy with best reports from good old Twofold Bay. A visiting boat reportedly took a good catch of Gummy Shark from Disaster Bay. The lakes and estuaries are going well, still hearing of Duskie, Don Hayne has set the bar at a good height in the yearly comp with a fairly decent 5.20 kg lizard. Bream and Luderick are about in numbers and whiting have turned up as well. The tourists will be here soon, better get out and get a feed before it gets too busy.

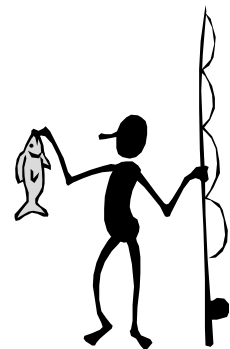
In looking back at the year just about gone it was another strong one for the club. We ran another highly successful competition and extensions to the BBQ area and storage sheds are completed. There is a long list of volunteers to thank for the building works, Fritz for getting the job rolling and successfully applying for the grant. I expect that Andrew Constance had a hand in the approval of this. Mike Stebbings for overseeing the works and actually doing a large part of it with assistance from Eddy, Roger, Murray and Tod Bolton who donated his time and concreting expertise.

Trips away were well supported as were club functions in general, the committee wishes to thank you all for your participation, without it there would be no point

On that note may you all enjoy the festive season and I hope to see you at the seafood night.



Wilma Hayne, One of our longest serving members picked up her trophy for the best Trevally Still fishing and still looking good !



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E.A.F.C. INC. FISH WEIGHTS – DECEMBER 2015

TO December 2015

| SPECIES | MEN | WEIGHT KG. | LADIES | WEIGHT KG. |
|--------------------|------------|------------|-------------|------------|
| BREAM | G.RUGG | 1.400 | J.RUGG | 1.490 |
| DRUMMER | G.RUGG | 1.800 | | |
| FLATHEAD, RIVER | D.HAYNE | 5.200 | S.WHELAN | 1.450 |
| FLATHEAD, SAND | T.CARSON | 1.160 | D.CUMMINGS | 1.120 |
| FLATHEAD, TIGER | R.CUMMINGS | 0.435 | J.LUCAS | 0.875 |
| JEWFISH | | | | |
| KINGFISH | T.CARSON | 4.070 | J.LUCAS | 4.325 |
| LATCHET GURNARD | | | G.SEBLEY | 0.880 |
| LEATHERJACKET | G.RUGG | 0.955 | D.CUMMINGS | 1.120 |
| LUDERICK | G.RUGG | 1.105 | J.RUGG | 1.105 |
| MACKEREL, SLIMY | T.CARSON | 0.245 | | |
| MARLIN | | | | |
| MORWONG, JACKASS | G.McMAHON | 0.830 | G.SEBLEY | 0.690 |
| MORWONG, RUBBERLIP | M.LUCAS | 1.795 | J.RUGG | 1.470 |
| NANNYGAI | T.CARSON | 0.735 | G.SEBLEY | 0.505 |
| SALMON | R.PATERSON | 0.880 | AM.PATERSON | 0.720 |
| SHARK, GAME | | | | |
| SHARK, GUMMY | | | | |
| SNAPPER | A.CARSON | 1.950 | D.CUMMINGS | 0.970 |
| TAILOR | G.RUGG | 0.495 | A.PATERSON | 0.320 |
| TREVALLY | G.RUGG | 0.825 | G.SEBLEY | 1.130 |
| TROUT | | | | |
| TUNA, BONITO | | | | |
| TUNA, STRIPED | | | | |
| TUNA, YELLOWFIN | | | | |
| SAND WHITING | A.CARSON | 0.635 | | |

| | BOYS | WEIGHT KG. | GIRLS | WEIGHT |
|--------------------|----------|------------|--------------|--------|
| BREAM | | | AJ.PATERSON | 1.135 |
| FLATHEAD, RIVER | | | | |
| FLATHEAD, SAND | J.JANSON | 1.190 | | |
| FLATHEAD, TIGER | | | | |
| KINGFISH | | | | |
| LEATHERJACKET | | | | |
| LUDERICK | | | | |
| MACKEREL, SLIMY | | | | |
| MORWONG, JACKASS | | | | |
| MORWONG, RUBBERLIP | | | | |
| NANNYGAI | | | | |
| SALMON | | | A.J.PATERSON | 0.715 |
| SHARK, GAME | | | | |
| SHARK, GUMMY | | | | |
| SNAPPER | | | | |
| SWEEP | | | | |
| TAILOR | | | AJ.PATERSON | 0.380 |
| TREVALLY | | | | |
| TROUT | | | | |
| TUNA, BONITO | | | | |
| TUNA, STRIPED | | | | |
| SAND WHITING | | | | |

PLEASE NOTE: WEIGHDOCKETS ARE VALID FOR 2 MONTHS ONLY.

WEIGHMASTER

ROD PATERSON

