



NEWSLETTER

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- 1 June General meeting # 533

SYDNEY TOURNAMENT 2017

The Sydney Tournament is upon us again and I am looking for volunteers to assist with the Setup on the Sunday 12th March and the meals over the tournament weekend.

Volunteers still required for;

12 Mar	1.00pm	Set-up
17 Mar	3.00pm	Fri Dinner preparation
	5.30pm	Fri Dinner serving
18 Mar	4.00am	Sat Breakfast
	5.30pm	Sat Dinner serving
19 Mar	4.00am	Sun breakfast
	10.30am	Sunday lunch
	2.00pm	Pack up

If you are able to assist please put your name down at the March meeting or give me a call on 0411 856

Birthday people for March

1st Peter Logan	12th Jenny Webb
6 th Don Rayment	12th Bruce Rayment
8th Brendan McMahon	22 nd Josh Colling

The EAR



Last meeting we had just 31 members present. The talks on Swansea and Botany Bay were well presented and showed the depth of knowledge in the club. Unfortunately, time ran out and the other scheduled topics were not covered.

It is with a heavy heart The EAR advises that Judith Sainsbury passed away on 21 February. Judith suffered a stroke in December and really did not recover. She was initially in Maitland Hospital then Opal Nursing at Rutherford. We extend our condolences to Max during this tough time. Max's phone is 0417 238 643 and address is 23 Greenslopes Dr Raymond Terrace 2324 . Give him a ring - - he would love to hear from you. Max has advised there will be no funeral—perhaps a bite to eat or a drink together somewhere later.

Where do you put a swollen sprained ankle when fishing in a boat? In with the live bait, of course. The ankle was damaged when the unfortunate slipped a/t on the boat ramp. C'mon gramps let us help you up - a couple of young blokes said. The incumbent was flat on his back with his head bent up against the pontoon. Ouch! Sworn to secrecy on this.

It was remiss on The EAR not to report on the December meeting—and the huge raffle. Many prizes were available and most if not all attendees took home a prize. The Christmas hams were in demand but the prize of the night went to Trevor Dean once again. This is 4 years in a row that Trevor won the jumbo pack of toilet paper. The EAR is at a loss to explain how he does this.

A lesson here. Using a heavier mono as a reel packer is fine. However adding 1kg line on top is fraught with danger. Firstly the 1kg cannot be joined to the 'packer' as it would then be classed as the rating of the packer. Secondly, it is difficult to judge just how much line is left after repeatedly re-rigging. This was a lesson learned at Swansea, a hard lesson when spooled. Now, the problem of joining the two lines no longer applies. When 'breakaways' were introduced by ANSA some years ago, the 1kg becomes the breakaway and therefore the rating for any claim. Anyway not good practice.

FISHING REPORTS

From Swansea, at the traditional lunchtime gathering at SWANSEA, there were few reports of fish. Seems squid were better than flathead. Sid and Arthur managed nice size poddies at Cams Wharf while Graeme and Kylie got

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Coming Events—the detail

2 March General meeting # 530. Our speaker this evening is to be Brad Sutton. Brad's topic will be **fishing for bream**. Brad is a bit of an expert when it comes to bream. He will be demonstrating rigs, baits, rods, reels and lines. A successful bream fisherman. A talk not to be missed.

10-12 March ANSA Narooma Sportfishing Convention. This famous (and ANSA's first ever) convention has been running continuously since 1969—this will be the 49th year. The main attraction is Montague Island where large fish abound. There is estuary fishing in Wodonga inlet as well as plenty of easily accessible beach fishing both south and north of town. Accommodation in those early days was in tents at Mystery Bay. These days all sorts of accommodation is available around town. Narooma have a great clubhouse situated on—in fact *over* the waters of Wodonga Inlet. Meals and refreshments will be served here. And speaking of the meals, plenty of variety and as much as you can eat. And if you just happen (and it is unlikely) to be peckish during the day and not out fishing, there is a fish and chip shop next door. The competition has Awards for highest point scoring fish in; Gamefishing, Bluewater sportfishing, Rocks, Beach, Estuary, Flyfishing, Tagging, Ladies, Junior and Sub-junior, Tagging (senior and junior). Heaviest species (non-line class) and Champion Club Divisions. More than enough. St George managed to win this competition once and that was a long, long time ago. A detailed Fact Sheet is on Page 8.

17-19 March ANSA's Sydney Tournament, co-hosted by St George and South Sydney clubs. The tournament this year is to be open to both ANSA and non ANSA anglers with category award winners to receive cash prizes.

Non ANSA competitors can only contest 'Length Only' section.

SGSFC will cater with a reduced menu requiring a reduced cooking commitment by club members. The detailed fact Sheets are on pages 10 & 11.

Entry fees are Adult \$40, Family \$100, Child \$20

This year ANSA is developing a major saltwater tournament known as the **Summer Slam Convention**, where the three established Conventions (Nowra, Narooma & Sydney) are being linked to provide the opportunity for ANSA anglers to compete in all THREE conventions for fabulous prizes. A detailed Fact Sheet is on Page 13.

In the pipeline is a similar competition for the Freshwater Conventions.

from our President



Our first meeting for 2017 saw several presentations and detail on forthcoming events.

A thank you to Chris Holland and Colin King for their presentation of detail for any member who intends fishing Swansea as scheduled or at a later date. The information provided on bait and fishing locations was of benefit for anglers, particularly if targeting different species, whether fishing from boat or land based.

A thank you also to John Everett and Ron Camp who followed with a presentation on Fishing Botany Bay. The detailed maps shown, along with rigs and baits used, should give us the edge when we next fish the area and in the future.

Details on the then forthcoming ANSA Competitions at Nowra, Narooma and Sydney were also provided. With Nowra now past (see comments elsewhere in newsletter) further information on Narooma and Sydney will be forthcoming.

As previously mentioned, if intending to attend a particular activity, please contact Ron Camp on 0402 816 273. This is necessary should an activity be changed because of prevailing weather conditions.

Our next family day will be Sunday 26 February. Details, including map of Bonna Point, Kurnell, have been forwarded. Please contact if details have not been received.

At the March 2 Meeting, Brad Sutton will talk on 'Bream Fishing'. His experience with different rigs and baits will provide a better insight for us when targeting this species.

I look forward to seeing you at the meeting

Dennis

Our Committee

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Coming events - continued

18 Mar Club outing - snapper day. Details are not to hand at the moment and will follow by email. If you don't happen to have email, please phone Ron Camp for the arrangements.

22 Mar (Wed) Club outing - Bate Bay. Details are not to hand at the moment and will follow by email.

5 Apr (Wed) Club outing -Port Port Hacking. Details are not to hand at the moment and will follow by email.

FISHING REPORTS continued

theirs just inside Blackneds Bay. But as the day drew on flathead did respond. Max took back to Raymond Terrace just one only flathead which he cooked for dinner. Not too bad he reckoned.

It must be said the weather was hot, hot & hot. Graeme and Kylie's kids had a great swim at lunchtime beside our boats.

The new boat ramp on the south side is ~~lousy~~ not real good. The pontoon is accessed after launching by tying the boat to it while walking back up the ramp and on to the pontoon. It suffers from surge from boats and jet skis passing by. This ramp was installed to replace the washed away one on the north side. However all is not lost - the ramp at the end of Lake Rd - turn left at the traffic lights on the south side. Good parking and e a s y.

From Bob McMahon, 'Chris Holland and I spent a week at Swansea and I must admit that I was disappointed with the fishing, particularly in the main channel. We had the usual trouble catching poddy mullet but that didn't matter because when we did we didn't catch anything with them anyway. We only got five Flathead, all taken on lures. Four of those were taken on the runout tide as the water ran off the sandbar just above the road bridge. Also managed a total of 31 Squid, mainly taken in the lake.

From **Phil Turner**,

Hi Bill,

I have not been around for the last three weeks. Went to Yamba for three days fishing with no success on Mackerel or Nth Bluefin. Water was not correct temperature but was close. We did hook up some large Tailor on homemade stick bait lures (around 3-4kg) and saw a few monster kingfish cruising the wall each morning. Also Nth Blues did come in on the last day. We reckon we were two weeks early. All the Mulloway are up at Grafton and not at the entrance as they have had no rain at Yamba or mountains of any significance. Then continued up to Surfers Paradise from Yamba to do renovations on



daughters kitchen, which is where I have been since. I did go out for a fish one night with a mate who lives up near Surfers. We caught live prawns in the golf course ponds and then used them at another pond location that contains: mangrove jacks, giant herring, bream and tarpon. It was the wrong tide and the fishing was slow but I did manage two tarpon around the 2kg mark. The channels around Surfers are full of fish and no one seems to fish. Saw schools of bream with big blue noses over 40cm in numbers of 40-50 per school also big eye trevally, luderick, and various other species. Next time I go up I need to get a Qld licence and take some lighter gear.

Cheers Phil

Mr 1kg Does it Again at the Nowra Convention

Although fishing only one day due to illness, **Ron Camp** again showed he is king of the flatties with 80, 60, 56 and



40cm captures on the first day of the convention.

In hot conditions, fishing at Jewfish Bay at St Georges Basin using live bait Ron, secured his catches and at the time of this report is set to take both first and second places in the estuary competition. A great effort indeed.

And from **Bob McMahon**, 'Brendan and I went down the river on Wednesday and while the fishing was slow we managed to get a 34cm Estuary Perch and a 70cm Flathead on my favourite Ecooda Prawn lure. See pic of Bob's favourite Estuary Perch lure on page 4

Favourite Lures - Bob McMahon



Bob's favourite for Estuary Perch — the Live Shrimp lure not the spoon, silly!

Bob mentioned the **prawn colour** is no longer available - but they are trying to have a batch made.

Fishing report



We had an amazing day out of Port Hacking on Friday 27th January on Avalon. With Bruce, Belinda and good friend Chris on board we landed two Striped Marlin and seven 60-70cm Mahi Mahi to finish the day. The marlin were caught between 80fa and 110fa. We encountered a bait ball covered in Striped Marlin at around 11:20am getting multiple strikes from different fish, finally getting the hook to set on one. Chris did a top job on the rod and we had the tag in to a 75kg model within 20 minutes. More missed hook-ups before finally another one set at 4pm. Belinda was on the rod this time and the tag went into a 60kg model. A nearby floating log saw us get 7 Dollies before heading home.

The following day we took out a keen young fisherman, Tom, and he landed six Mahi Mahi which were all returned to grow a little bigger.

We'll be spending the next couple weekends in Port Stephens to fish the NSWGFA Interclub.

Belinda (Rayment)

Nowra Convention

The convention was held from 17-19th February, and Trevor Dean, Ron Camp and myself fished St Georges Basin. Overall the weather was good (if hot), and the water temperature was around the 24 mark. Trevor and I fished the day before the convention to test the area for bream using prawns, but the buggers were very shy. We did record two flathead at 49 and 52 cm on plastics at the western end of the basin.

During the convention, Ron fished Jewfish bay for some good captures on 1kg line but we struggled with school bream and snapper which did not trouble the scorer, plus a few other legals which we threw back.

Overall the convention appeared to be not well supported this year with no entries in ladies, junior, beach or rocks posted at last check. Only one bream featured on the board.

Blue water seemed the strongest field. This is a good convention fished in a great area of the coast and concerted effort by a few fishers would probably have carried the day for any club.

John (Everett)

2017 NOWRA CONVENTION WINNERS / RESULTS

SUB JUNIOR

14213: Tyler Robinson, Happy Hookers, Flathead, 0.56 kg, on 1kg = 56 points

JUNIOR

13606: Luke Windom, Botany Bay, Striped Tuna, 2.72 kg, on 2kg = 204 points

CATCH & RELEASE

14897: Gayle Buckley, Botany Bay Bream, 36 cm, on 1kg = 360 points

BLUE WATER

12202: Adam Camilleri, Botany Bay, Black Marlin, 47.8 on 10kg = 573.6 points

ESTUARY

O533: Ron Camp, St. George, Flathead, 3.40 on 1kg = 340 points

LADY: Not won

ROCK: Not won

BEACH: Not won

CHAMPION CLUB

BOTANY BAY: 19 Points

ST GEORGE: 11 Points

HAPPY HOOKERS: 8 Points

WOLLONGONG: 5 Points

NSW: 4 Points

SOUTH SYDNEY: 0 Points

NOWRA: 0 Points

2017 NOWRA SPORTFISHING CONVENTION FISHING OUTCOME

ESTUARY

RON CAMP FLATHEAD 3.4KG-1KG-340 PTS ST GEORGE

RON CAMP FLATHEAD 1.5KG-1KG-150 PTS

RON CAMP FLATHEAD 1.1KG-1KG-110 PTS

RON HANSON SNAPPER 1.38KG-1KG-138 PTS FS NSW

RON HANSON MULLET .980KG-1KG-98 PTS SF NSW

RON HANSON LUDERICK .7KG-1KG-84 PTS SF NSW

MARK WILSON FLATHEAD 1.44KG-2KG-72 PTS WOLLONGONG

DARLY ALLWOOD FLATHEAD .5KG-1KG-50 PTS SF NSW

DARREN PARKER BREAM .4KG-2KG-24 PTS BOTANY BAY

RON HANSON LUDERICK .78KG-1KG-93.6 PTS SF NSW

ESTUARY continued

RON HANSON FLATHEAD 1.060KG-1KG-106 PTS

RON HANSON TAILOR .66KG-1KG-66 PTS

RON HANSON WHITING .38KG-1KG-49.4 PTS

RON HANSON SNAPPER .82KG-1KG-82 PTS

BLUEWATER

JOHN STATMAKIS BONITO 1.34KG-2KG-100.5 PTS BOTANY BAY

DAVID DUSOTTIL YELLOWTAILEDKING 10.6KG-10KG-159 PTS

ADAM CAMILLERI BLACK MARLIN 47.8KG-10KG-573.6 PTS

LACHLAN QUINN FRIGATE MAC .48KG-2KG-36 PTS

TERRY TATTON FRIGATE MAC .78KG-2KG-58.5 PTS WOLLONGONG

CHRIS STOLK FRIGATE MAC .68KG-2KG-51 PTS

JUNIOR

LUKE WINDON STRIPPED TUNA 2.72KG-2KG-204 PTS BOTANY BAY

KOBY ROBINSON FLATHEAD .74KG-1KG-74 PTS HAPPY HOOKERS

KOBY ROBINSON FLATHEAD .36KG-1KG-36 PTS

KOBY ROBINSON FLATHEAD .64KG-1KG-64 PTS HAPPY HOOKERS

LUKE WINDON MAC TUNA .4KG-2KG-40 PTS BOTANYBAY

KOBY ROBINSON FLATHEAD .4KG-1KG-40 PTS HAPPY HOOKERS

SUB JUNIOR

TYLER ROBINSON FLATHEAD .56KG-1KG-56 PTS HAPPY HOOKERS

BEACH

KYLE BAIN DART .22KG-1KG-33 PTS BOTANYBAY

CATCH-RELEASE-LENGTH

GLEN EDWARDS LUDERICK 360 MM NOWRA SFC

FAY HANSON FLATHEAD 383 MM NOWRA SFC

ANDREW ENGLISH BREEM 330 MM BOTANYBAY

PAUL DERBIDGE FLATHEAD 530 MM BOTANYBAY

DANE FORGORTY SNAPPER 310 MM

CHAD STOCKWILL SNAPPER 300 MM

GALE BUCKLY BREEM 360 MM BOTANYBAY

There were 51 registered anglers.

Faye Hanson— Secretary, Nowra Sportfishing Club

Fishing with monsters Waterway's link to historic attack Take me to the river, but don't drop me in with the sharks



**Damien
Murphy**

Another hot summer day's end and the Macleay River is beginning to glass off. Suddenly the mirror water is shattered by mullet tearing through the surface.

"Something big's chasing them," Jarrad Smith says.

They say the land along the river bank around Kempsey on the NSW Mid North Coast is so fertile that a discarded 10-inch nail left overnight turns into a crow bar, but this summer the deep brown waters are alive with bull sharks.

Nearly every other night since early December, Smith and some of his mates finish work in town and head off to fish for bull sharks. Sometimes their partners and children watch them cast lines from the banks. Other times they fish from boats.

They have favourite spots: a 20-metre deep trench scoured out where the

Macleay floods and water slams into a granite cliff on a bend in the river; the "honey hole" on the Belmore River and the boat ramp at Frederickton five kilometres north along the river.

They've been landing bull sharks up to a metre or so long. Some Kempsey mates landed a two-metre-plus monster on Tuesday night. "Sometimes we get none a night," Smith says. "Other times we'll land two or three. Catch and release usually. Of course, some blokes catch and fillet."

A boiler maker, Smith worked in the Bowen Basin coal mine for a while but the FIFO life drove him around the bend and he returned home to work in a machinery store, father two children and hunt bull sharks.

The shark terror that started in Western Australia five years ago and spread to the NSW North Coast two years back became a political football in both states. Victoria got into the act this summer with unprecedented shark numbers spotted.

Everybody has a theory. Chris Brock, one of the surfers who opened



**Fisher: Jarrad
Smith has caught
many bull sharks.**
Photo: Supplied

Wild Colonial times

NSW, Mid-North Coast

On January 31, 1837, 12-year-old Alfred Australia Howe became the first European to die in a shark attack in the colony of NSW near the present Frederickton boat ramp.



for the repose of the souls of the dead but rather an English take on the French word for shark, requin) has a unique knack in being able to inhabit water that's fresh, brackish or salty.

"Why the rivers?" Smith asks.

"Well, they come up to have their young. Reckon all the hot weather and no rain has pushed salty water up the river and the bull sharks are here to get among the bass and mullet."

up the NSW North Coast in the '60s, reckons the great whites are back because nobody is killing whales.

Smith thinks the long line fishers have so depleted stocks that sharks are cruising the Australian continental shelf in search of food. Great whites and tiger sharks get bad press but bull sharks may be the real villains.

The bull shark (also known as the requiem shark - not for the Mass

From **Wayne Colling** - very near South West Rocks, I read that....we haven't caught one for a couple of years. Josh has been up to Belmore 3 times this season for not even a bite....

Wayne is referring to the article in the Herald on 18-19 February 2017. Wayne and his son Josh found bull sharks in the Belmore River able to be caught landbased. See article below. Not quiet sure how Josh found the time to go fishing - he is currently building a house at Port Macquarie for he and his girl friend and working full time. Tough life eh dad?

NAROOMA SPORT AND GAMEFISHING CLUB ANSA CONVENTION

FACT SHEET (the full Narooma Convention document has been emailed to you on Fri 24 February)

Friday 10 March - Sunday 12 March 2017

Competition times; Start ; Friday 12.01am 10 March 2017

Finish; Sunday 1pm 12 March 2017

Cost: Fully catered (all 7 meals) \$50 Senior \$20 Junior \$100 Family

Uncatered (no meals, entry only) \$20 Senior \$10 Junior

Meal Times; "ANGLERS TO SUPPLY OWN PLATES AND CUTLERY"

Thursday Sausage Sizzle 6.30 pm „til late (free to all)

Friday Breakfast 5.30 am „til 8 am Friday Dinner 6.00 pm „til 8 pm

Saturday Breakfast 5.30 am „til 8 am Saturday Dinner 6.00 pm „til 8 pm

Sunday Breakfast 5.30 am „til 8 am Sunday Lunch 12 noon „til 2 pm

Entertainment;

Raffles; Thursday evening, Friday evening, Saturday evening and Sunday presentation BIG DRAW.

Unclaimed prizes from Thursday/Friday/Saturday raffles re-drawn in Sundays BIG DRAW.

Tides for the weekend

Friday 10 March 2017 Low 1.15am High 7.35am Low 2.11pm High 8.15pm

Saturday 11 March 2017 Low 2.00am High 8.23am Low 2.53pm High 9.00pm

Sunday 12 March 2017 Low 3.00am High 9.00pm

Ramps;

Apex Park (all size boats, with pontoons).

Mill Bay (all size boats, be careful with drop off, no pontoons).

Taylor's (The Inlet Restaurant) (has wharf. Do not drive boat onto trailer).

Westside of Highway Bridge (tinnies only)

The Loop (near Narooma Marina)*** (tinnies only or drive on big boats, no pontoon).

SEE NOTES REGARDING MOORINGS AVAILABLE FOR TRAILERBOATS

Petrol Stations; Eateries;

Shell on the Flat 5.30am - 6.30pm

Bakery on the flat 5am-5pm (7 days)

Matilda on the Flat 6.00am - 6.00pm ABC

Bakery 6.30am (not open Sunday)

BP (next to Cinema) 6.00am - late

Casey's Cafe Roxy's Cafe

Bait and Tackle;

Compleat Angler (on the Flat) Darryl Open 7am- 7pm 4476 2278 All bait and tackle

Narooma Fish and Dive (next to Matilda's) Open 6am-7pm 0407909111 All bait and tackle

Marine;

Kingfisher Marine Behind Compleat Angler 4476 2650

Narooma Marina Riverside Drive 1 minute from Clubhouse 4476 2126

Walk on/ Walk off for the weekend. No ramp problems. Fuel bowser on Marina. Bait and Ice. TOO EASY !

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NAROOMA SPORT AND GAMEFISHING CLUB ANSA CONVENTION FACT SHEET CONTINUED

Local GPS marks;

Narooma Bar Entrance S 36.12.660 E150.08.010 Bermagui Ent S 36.25.240 E150.04.440
Montague Seamount S 36.10.000 E150.37.000 Montague Cany S 36.17.175 E150.24.450
South Kink S 36.18.050 E150.19.000 North Kink S 36.17.120 E150.19.450
Aughinish Rock S 36.16.400 E150.12.800 Shelf Edge S 36.16.460 E150.12.880

Local Medical Centres;

Moruya Hospital 4474 2666 Wagonga St Medical 4476 2622
Lighthouse Surgery 4476 2999 Blue House Surgery 4476 1390

Accommodation

Inlet Views 4476 2483 Apollo Units 4476 2461
Horizons Apartments 4476 5200 Black Bream Point 4476 1759
Island View 4456 1165 Festival Motor Inn 4476 2099
Big 4 Easts Narooma 4476 2046 Golfers Lodge 4476 2428
Coastal Comfort Motel 4476 2256 Surf Beach Caravan Park 4476 2275

Fishing Charters;

Narooma Charters Norm 0407 909 111 Charter Fish Narooma Benn 0407 487 702
Calm Water Charters Bill 4476 2483 Aussie Fish Estuary Adventures 6495 9902
Island Charters Chris 0408 428 857 Lighthouse Charters Wazza 4476 2621
Sheriff Charters Narooma Matt 0447951359 Narooma Fishing Charters John 0432 599 619

****MOORINGS AVAILABLE** NAROOMA MARINA ph; 4476 2126**

Trailer Boats welcome to moor at Narooma Marina over the Convention weekend or week.

Contact Narooma Marina, Ian Miller ph 4476 2126. Cost \$25 per night or \$100 a week.

Walk on/ Walk off for the weekend. No ramp problems. Fuel bowser on Marina. Bait and Ice. TOO EASY !

NSGFC Contacts Les Waldock 0411392608 Jan Hemmingsen 4476 4895



FACT SHEET

Sea Sea Marine



24th Sydney Sportfishing Tournament 2017

Fishing times:

Start: 5am Friday 17th March 2017
Finish: Weigh in 1pm Sunday 19th March 2017
Weigh masters will be available as well as Bar staff.

ENTRY FEES:

All entry costs include catering
\$40 - Senior
\$20 - Junior
\$100 - Family 2 Adults and 2 Juniors

Meal Times;

Friday Dinner	6.30 pm bbq
Sat breakfast	5.00 am Continental only or bbq available if you wish to cook.
Sat Lunch	Supplied at Breakfast (Make yourself)
Sat Dinner	6.30 pm 'til 8.30pm
Sunday Breakfast	5.00 am Continental only or bbq available if you wish to cook.
Sunday lunch	12.30pm 'til 2pm

Breakfast is Continental style, (breads, cereals, fruit etc) no hot meals, but bbq facility is available.

*****Anglers to supply own plates, cups and cutlery*****

Entertainment;

Raffles on Saturday evening and Sunday presentation. One per day.

Tides for weekend;

Friday 17 th March 2017;	High 12.16pm (1.41)	Low 06.15am (0.54)
Saturday 18 th March 2017;	High 00.36am (1.54)	Low 18.12pm (0.56)
Sunday 19 th March 2017;	High 12.57pm (1.33)	Low 07.00am (0.59)
	High 01.18am (1.50)	Low 18.47pm (0.63)
		Low 07.51am (0.64)

Ramps local;

Botany Bay Boat Ramp	Foreshore Drive, Botany
Kyeemagh Boat Ramp	Mutch Avenue, Kyeemagh
Malabar Beach (small tinnies only)	Bay Parade, Malabar

Important Notes for Tournament;

Captures in the following length only sections **ARE NOT** eligible for points towards the Champion Club award, but are open to all ANSA and Non-ANSA members:

George Pratt Length Only Species Awards (Snapper, Flathead and Bream). Catch and Release is preferred but is not compulsory.

Length Only Species Awards (Kingfish, Morwong, Trevally, Bonito, Mulloway and Salmon) Catch and Release is preferred but is not compulsory. Photos with ID cards are a must.

Most Meritorious Award (Eligible for ANSA members ONLY)

Port Botany Boat Ramp can experience long delays in launching and retrieving boats due to overcrowding. Parking is also at a premium in good weather events, so get there early and make sure you have enough time to retrieve your boat and get back to the Club grounds on Sunday morning / noon prior to weigh-in dead line.

Rock Fishing

It is now a legal requirement for anyone who is rock fishing anywhere in the Randwick local government area, including children, or anyone who is helping them rock fish, must wear a lifejacket. This is also recommended for all other rock fishing areas.

Sydney Tournament Minimum Species Size limit;

Bream 30cm; Mulloway 70cm; Flathead 50cm; Snapper 45cm; Tailor 40cm; Trevally 35cm

Entry of Captures;

A capture can only be entered into one of the particular divisions with the exception of the George Pratt Length Only Awards and the Length Only Species Awards. (Eg: A fish may be submitted in the Tagging division and the Length Only Species.)

ANSA Convention Circuit (ACC);

The following divisions will count towards the ACC;

1. Bluewater
2. Estuary
3. Rocks
4. Beach
5. Ladies
6. Juniors

Toilets & Showers;

Toilet and shower blocks for both Ladies and Men are located on site.

Catering;

Use BBQ's if you require cooking facilities prior to Tournament commencing.

Thursday 16th March, 2017 BBQ supplied for early arrivals.

First fully catered meal is a BBQ Friday evening at 6.30pm on the 17th March, 2017.

Saturday Night 18th March, 2017 Dinner at 6.30pm, Raffle held at 8.30pm.

Sunday 19th March, 2017 weigh-in ends at 1pm. No fish will be weighed after 1pm if the fish are not in the weigh area.

Breakfast is Continental style on Saturday and Sunday mornings (breads, cereals, fruit etc). No hot meals, but BBQ facility is available.

Petrol Stations;

Corner Bunnerong Rd & Franklin Sts Matraville	6:30am open
BP Service Station Bunnerong Rd Matraville	6:30am open
7 Eleven Bunnerong Rd Matraville	Open 24 hours

Eateries;

House of Pie (Next to Matraville Pub on Bunnerong Rd.) Open 24hrs for the best pies, bread, cakes, milk and drinks.
7 Eleven Bunnerong Rd - All foods catered for.

Local GPS Marks;

Botany Heads	S 34 00 018	E 151 13 840
Sydney Heads	S 33 51 000	E 151 18 000
Osborn Shoals Pt Hacking	S 34 03 493	E 151 11 296
Peak Mt. Off Maroubra	S 33 55 000	E 151 21 150
Watts Reef Botany Bay	S 34 00 080	E 151 13 000
12 Mile Reef (NE Peak)	S 33 58 710	E 151 21 590
Browns Mountain	S 34 02 200	E 151 39 500
Kurnell Light Reef	S 34 02 065	E 151 13 952
Coogee Trag Grounds	S 33 56 175	E 151 16 471
Wavebuoy Kurnell	S 34 02 430	E 151 15 241
Colours off Syd. Heads	S 33 49 600	E 151 19 450
100 Fathom Off Bot Bay	S 33 06 507	E 151 28 086
84 Fathom Off Bot Bay	S 34 03 764	E 151 29 138
70 Fathom Off Bot Bay	S 34 03 618	E 151 24 204
Stanwell Canyons	S 34 13 000	E 151 30 000
Hacking Wreck	S 34 08 330	E 151 09 050
FISHERIES FAD	S 33 58 935	E 151 21 061
FISHERIES FAD WIDE	S 34 06 541	E 151 24 964
South Head Artificial Reef	S 33 50 797	E 151 17 988

Local Medical Centre;

Matraville	9311 3333
Maroubra	9314 3400
Malabar (Not open Sunday)	9311 2324
Prince of Wales Hospital, High St Randwick	9382 2222

CLUB RECORDER'S REPORT – February 2017



Certificates awarded at February meeting, events between 27 January and 22 February

Congratulations to the following members for these **Masters capture** last month:

Belinda Rayment – 250 Gamefishing – Striped Marlin 2,300mm	CAA pts	6
James Rayment – All Tackle Species – Striped Marlin #1 2,250mm (short length)	CAA pts	5
Phil Turner – All tackle species – Dusky Whaler Shark #45 1,101mm	-	
Phil Turner – All tackle species – Dusky Whaler Shark #46 1,200mm	-	
Phil Turner – All tackle species – Dusky Whaler Shark #47 1,100mm	-	
Phil Turner – All tackle species – Dusky Whaler Shark #48 1,170mm	-	
Phil Turner – All tackle species – Dusky Whaler Shark #49 1,100mm	-	
Phil Turner – All tackle species – Dusky Whaler Shark #50 1,200mm	-	

Congratulations to Belinda Rayment on being awarded these **ANSA Records**:

Belinda Rayment – NSW Length only record – Tiger Shark 3,450mm	CAA pts	4
Belinda Rayment – Australian Length only record – Tiger Shark 3,450mm	CAA pts	7

Master Angler Award

Belinda Rayment has been awarded her **Master 10 Angler Award** in the Gamefishing Division. Belinda's 1st capture in the division was in December 1999 – a Striped Marlin of 71kg on 15kg caught at the Jervis Bay Canyons. She made her 10th capture in September 2016 – a Tiger Shark of 292.5kg on 15kg caught at the Southern Canyons.

ANSA's Nowra Convention was held over the weekend of 17-19 February. St George SFC was represented by Ron Camp, Trevor Dean and John Everett who have each been awarded 3 CAA points. Ron took out the Estuary section and further CAA points will be awarded to Ron once the final results are available.

CHAMPION ANGLER AWARD 2016/17 - END FEBRUARY							
MENS		LADIES		JUNIORS		Non-NSW	
Peter Logan	10	Belinda Rayment	33	<i>no entries</i>	-	<i>no entries</i>	-
Trevor Dean	6	Debbie Logan	20				
James Rayment	5						
Ray Agius	4						
John Everett	3						
Brad Sutton	3						
Ron Camp	3						

DIVISION 1 - LENGTH ONLY COMPETITION - 2016/17				Updated as at	22/2/2017
Angler	Best Flathead - Length (mm)	Best Snapper - Length (mm)	Best Salmon - Length (mm)	Combined length (mm)	
Debbie Logan	740	-	640	1,380	
John Everett	870	310	-	1,180	
Peter Logan	450	-	655	1,105	
Trevor Dean	590	370	-	960	
Phil Worsley	760	-	-	760	
Dennis Simpson	-	-	620	620	
Bob McMahon	580	-	-	580	
Karl Rasmussen	565	-	-	565	
Celeste Rasmussen	560	-	-	560	
Julian Perros	520	-	-	520	
Eva Peros	410	-	-	410	
Alessia Robles	400	-	-	400	
Leon Peros	390	-	-	390	
Peter Hewitt	380	-	-	380	

It is great to see some of our new members getting involved in our length only competition. Remember you can upgrade your entries at any time during the year.

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DIVISION 2 - LENGTH ONLY COMPETITION - 2016/17				Updated as at	22/2/2017
Angler	Best Bream - Length (mm)	Best Whiting - Length (mm)	Best Tailor - Length (mm)	Combined length (mm)	
Peter Logan	380	330	380	1,090	
Debbie Logan	410	-	330	740	
Bob McMahon	-	-	460	460	
Brendan McMahon	-	-	440	440	
Andrew Perros	-	420	-	420	
Brad Sutton	390	-	-	390	
John Everett	370	-	-	370	
Annamaria Robles	-	370	-	370	
Trevor Dean	320	-	-	320	
Antonio Robles	-	280	-	280	
Karl Rasmussen	-	280	-	280	
George Peros	260	-	-	260	
Julian Perros	250	-	-	250	

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Belinda

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Sydney Convention 17,18,19 March

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Waterbird Of The Month



Azure Kingfisher *Ceyx azureus*

Appearance. The smallest of the Australian Kingfishers is glossy royal blue above and orange-rufous below, with red feet. There is a small rufous spot in front of the eye and a prominent white patch at the side of the neck. The long, black, bill may have a lighter coloured tip.

Voice. A shrill squeak, 'peet peet', in flight.

Habitat and range. Fresh or tidal creeks, rivers, rainforest streams, lakes, swamps estuaries. Coastal and inland from Kimberly eastward and south to Victoria as far as SA.

Breeding. Sept. to Jan. in the south, Nov. to April in the north. Five to 7 white glossy eggs laid on bare earth in a riverbank burrow. Incubation 20-22 days. Chicks fledge in 22-28 days.

Feeding. Perches on streamside branches, fallen logs, tree roots or fence posts. Makes quick splashing dives to catch small fish. Flies fast and low when changing position. Typically returns to the same perch several times following unsuccessful dives.



Roger Giller