



St George Sportfishing Club

Newsletter — September 2015 - Issue 516

Notice is given to all members that the Annual General Meeting will be held on Thursday 3 September 2015 at 7.45pm at the St George Masonic Club 86 Roberts Avenue Mortdale.

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Wed 23 Sept **Oldies & Retirees** (OARs) picnic

Wed 30 Sept **Oldies & Retirees** picnic back up date

Thu 1 Oct **General Meeting #515 with guest speaker**

~~Oct 17-19 ANSA **Talbingo** Convention~~ **CANCELLED**

Nov 6-8 ANSA **Burrinjuck** Convention

Birthday people for September

Happy Birthday folks—Have a pleasant day— breakfast in bed? Ha ha

Apologises to Kelly McNamara as her name was omitted from last months birthday people. Sorry about that Kelly—you don't have to count that year now....

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| 1st Col King | 15th Glen Daniels |
| 3rd Lawrie Webb | 18th Kasey Crebert (Giller) |
| 7th Kaden dHyon | 18th Chris Holland |

The EAR



There has been no further development on the **home pizza oven** project. As the driver of the project is going touring this month it is understood the project is on hold. You will be advised if any further is heard.

Thanks for keeping off the local roads last month. **Ken Trench** advises he passed his driving test with honours. His next test is in two years time—when he will be 87. the one after that 89, then 91 and so on.

And while on the subject of Ken, we thank him for his time a few Sundays ago when he gave us some of his experience and knowledge to fly cast. We thought an hour would see us finished but 2 hours later we were still going. And thanks to Lillian for the tea and coffee.

You may recall the **Lost and Found** plea for sightings of a wayward anchor, chain and rope. Well it nearly happened again last week. the same crew member deployed the anchor and it was done very expertly too. The morning proceeded nicely until thunder and lightning suggested it was time to pull the anchor and get out of there. But the said anchor held. And held. The rain came down, the thunder roared and the lightning flashed but the anchor held. More rain, wind, thunder and lightning and with the use of the paddle it still held. Still more rain, wind, thunder and lightning but with the gaff, the anchor finally came off.

A member has purchased a **state-of-the-art sounder** and GPS unit. It was nicely packed in a sturdy box. The connecting cable was however tidily rolled up but when the box was unpacked the cable was all kinky. So, he tied one end of the cable to the clothes line post and the other to a tent peg and stretched it in an attempt to get it straight. His lovely wife accused him of setting a trip wire. The clothes line now has a healthy lean to the left. But it will be easier to reach on that side.

On a sad note, Dave Lawther ex St Geo SFC Member passed away during the month after a short illness. Our condolences to his family.

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Thu 3 Sept **General Meeting #514, Annual General Meeting & Presentation Night.** We are combining our monthly meeting with our presentation of Awards this year. The awards include the **Sport Fisherman of the Year** and the dreaded **Golden Brick**. Hot nibbles will be served.

Fri 11 Sept **Sussex Inlet week.** This annual event is a nice time of the year with the weather warming nicely. A great time for a short family get-away. And an ideal opportunity to catch fish for our Length only Competitions. Good fish like bream, tailor and of course giant flathead. **However the present flooding of St Georges Basin and Sussex Inlet may need a review of this outing**

Sat 12 Sept **St George Sussex Classic.** This will be run this year on Saturday 12 Sept. The best flathead and best bream will win the day. More at the next meeting.

Sept 19-21 **ANSA Glenbawn** Convention, details p8

Wed 23 Sept **Oldies & Retirees** (OARs) picnic. Yes it's that time of the year again. – the Club's Oldies and Retirees Springtime Picnic. Being held at the Cattle Duffers picnic ground, in the Georges River National Park at the end of River Road Revesby – at 11.30am or thereabouts. Even if you are not old or not a retiree and you have the day off please feel free to come. It is BYO everything.



Wed 30 Sept **Oldies & Retirees** picnic back up date

Thu 1 Oct **Gen Meeting #515 with guest speaker**

19 Oct **Burrinjuck Dam** from 19 October 2015 for 5 days. Arrangements have been made by Les Waldock (Narooma Game & SFC President) to have access to a property on the opposite end of the lake to where club members normally stay. Entry to the property is through a number of locked gates to a shearer's quarters which has 4 bunks in each room, large kitchen and an open fire. Fishing is from shore only.

If interested, please contact Dennis Simpson (0428 887540) for further details. The link is <http://www.cooradigbee.com.au/quarters.htm>

Nov 6-8 **ANSA Burrinjuck** Convention, more later.

St George SFC placings in the 12 month Comp

DIVISION 9: Gamefishing, 3rd place, **Bruce Rayment** St George Sportfishing Club, TUNA - SOUTHERN BL 49.5kg, 24kg line, 309.375 points

DIVISION 10: Capture by a Lady, 3rd place **Belinda Rayment** St George Sportfishing Club, DOLPHIN FISH 2.88kg, 2kg line, 216.000 points.

DIVISION 14: Tag and Release, 2nd place, **Bruce Rayment** St George Sportfishing Club, 210 points.

DIVISION 14: Tag and Release, 3rd place, **Phil Turner** St George Sportfishing Club, 200 points.

DIVISION 19: Length Only - Flathead (All Species), 3rd place, **Brendon McMahon** St George Sportfishing Club, FLATHEAD - DUSKY 800.0mm

DIVISION 21: Length Only - Yellowtail Kingfish, KINGFISH - YELLOWTAIL, 3rd place, **Phil Turner** St George Sportfishing Club, 1020.0mm

DIVISION 22: Most Versatile Angler, Equal 5th, **Bruce Rayment**, 5 points.

St George came equal 6th place in the Champion Club point score with 7 points. Souths were 2nd with 24 points. Wollongong won with an amazing 44.5 points.

New Members

We welcome 4 new members this month;

Glen Xuereb, from Panania

Natalie Xuereb,

Brook Xuereb and

Sienna Xuereb

Welcome people, please join in club events and don't be shy about fishing and submitting entries for Masters and competitions—and photos for this Newsletter.

The Sick List

Gwen Trench has a new hip and not travelling too well at all.

All those with the flu (and there are a few) hang in there or better still—get going, shake it off, the weather is warming, the days longer and the fish bigger.

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Sid's boat is still out of action having cooked a water pump. Seen during the week with the lower part of the engine's leg removed and two old grey heads being scratched. It seems the replacement parts are all fitted with no parts left. The engine is together but has not been tried. There is a fuel line to be replaced then flatties and blackfish look out.

And **Arthur's boat is out of action**. He found while fitting the transducer for the new sounder/GPS found some paint on the aluminium boat was lifting. He has scraped the paint off and is repainting. The sounder is yet to be fitted. Arthur, Swansea is 5 months, you better get a wriggle on.

It has been a cold winter – or are we feeling the cold more? **Having an electric blanket is almost essential**—a working one that is. A senior member has king size blanket but one side was not working. The head of the house mentioned this problem and finally persuaded he with the good side it was time to go shopping. There were none available. And no stock until next winter. He being resourceful lad decided to attack the problem. Having been an electrician he decided to see if he could repair the blanket. He reckoned the problem would be where the wiring bent the most – near the controller. The casing around this part was pretty tough and made not to be removed. But he did it with some encouragement from she who slept on the cold side. Finally the broken wire was located (the wire about the diameter of a hair), soldered and reinsulated. Now. How to make a solid as the original casing? Enter the resourceful man with ingenuity plus – he bought some builders bog, a two part putty like material that sets hard. And it worked. Result – a pleased wife!

From Neil and Oonagh (at Sussex)

How many photos do you want, and what do you want them of? I have hundreds. Right at the moment we are still cleaning up, so we won't have a chance to download them for a few days. Water didn't enter our house, but it came in the garage. Lots of drying out to do, but no real damage.

Yes, it was I on TV.

Cheers,

The floods at Sussex Inlet



from our President

Although there were a few days during the month that could be fished, weather has generally not been conducive to fishing.



It has been good to know that members had an enjoyable 'Whiting Night' on the Georges River on 15 August with some doubling up the next day for instruction in flyfishing.

A thank you to Bob McMahon for providing detail on fishing for whiting and to Ken Trench in providing flyfishing instruction.

For the AGM I am pleased to advise that nominations have now been received for all Committee positions. The AGM on 3 Sept is therefore expected to be short and will be immediately followed by our 'Presentation Night' during which some snack foods will be served.

Who are our champion anglers? Who have achieved honourable mention to be considered for the coveted 'Golden Brick' Award? All will be revealed on the night so come along and enjoy the evening.

The speaker presentation for that night has now been rescheduled to the General Meeting on 1 Oct 2015.

I look forward to seeing you on 3 September 2015.

Dennis

Notices of Motion at the ANSA AGM

From Wollongong Sportfishing Club,

Motion 1, "that Division 8 **Flyfishing be divided into 2 divisions**. That being "Flyfishing Saltwater" and "Flyfishing Freshwater" **ACCEPTED**

Motion 2, that the Division "**Handline**" be re-introduced. **ACCEPTED**

Motion 3, That **Snapper** be added to the category of longest species. **ACCEPTED**

Motion 4, that a new Division of **highest point scoring Capture from a kayak or canoe** be introduced." **REJECTED**

From South Sydney AFA,

Motion 5, That **Mulloway** be added to the category of longest of species. **ACCEPTED**

Motion 6, "Proposal to **remove 1kg line** from all Rock and Beach Divisions in ANSA NSW Saltwater Conventions" **REJECTED**

Our Committee

President Dennis Simpson 9543 0949

V President Peter Logan 9520 3298

Secretary John Everett 9522 4808

Treasurer Chris Holland 9872 5517

Recorder Belinda Rayment 0407 337 770

Outings to be advised

Committee Andrew Perros

Non Committee;

Scale verifier Phil Turner

Newsletter Clark Kent (C/-Bill Harvey)9533 2453

Scale No.	Type	Weight Class kg	Member	Verification to month 2015	Verified at present
4	Berkley	0-23	B Moores	Feb '14	
12	Salter	0-100	P Worsley	July	yes
14	Capacity	0-5	P. Turner	Mar	yes
15	Salter	0-100	R.Camp	May	yes
26	Salter	0-50	P Hewitt	July	yes
27	Salter	0-20	P Hewitt	July	yes
28	Salter	0-25	P McDonald	July	yes
29	Salter	0-10	P McDonald	July	yes
32	Salter	0-20	A Zacharias	Feb '14	
33	Salter	0-22	P Mortel	Aug	yes
41	Salter	0-15	R. Agius	Nov	yes
42	Salter	0-3	R. Agius	Nov	yes
54	Rapala Dig.	0-25	P Turner	Feb	yes
57	Rapala Dig.	0-50	B McMahon	July '14	
58	Berkley Dig	0-23	P. Worsley	June	yes
62	Rapala Dig.	0-25	P Logan	Dec	yes
63	Rapala Dig.	0-25	P Logan	Dec	yes
78	Berkley Dig.	0-14	N Wilson	Mar '14	
79	Rapala Dig	0-25	A. Zac	July	yes
80	Rapala Dig	0-25	D. Simpson	Nov	yes
84	Rapala Dig.	0-25	P Logan	Dec	yes
88	Rapala Dig	0-25	Maltbys	March	yes
90	Berkley Dig.	0-50	E Dhyon	Feb '14	
92	Rapala Dig	0-25	B. Rayment	Feb '14	
93	Weiheng	0-25	P Turner	July	yes
94	Weiheng	0-25	R Camp	July	yes
95	Weiheng	0-25	Maltbys	Sept	yes
96	Weiheng	0-25	Maltbys	Sept	yes
97	Weiheng	0-25	Maltbys	Sept	yes
98	Weiheng	0-25	Maltbys	Sept	yes
99	Weiheng	0-25	B Harvey	Sept	yes
101	No name	0-40	R Camp	Feb '14	
102	Black magic	0-25	A Perros	Mar '14	
103	Weiheng	0-25	B Rayment	July '14	
4 104	Weiheng	0-25	B McMahon	Sept	yes

Fishing Reports

Hi Bill,

I haven't really been fishing (far too much on with Bec moving and so on).

Josh has been busy with work and his girl-friend, but he has done 2 trips chasing Murray Cod around Glen Innes.

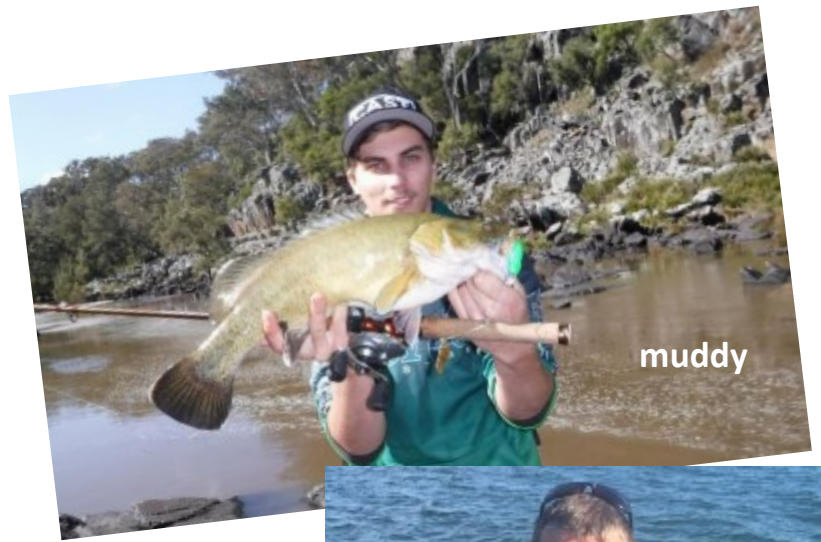
On the first trip, the weather was good, water was clear and he got 6 up to 75cm.

Second trip (got back today), weather not so good, water dirty and rising and he only got 1 @ 53cm.

Most fish caught on surface lures or spinner-baits.

I will send two photos....note the difference in the colour of the water if you can.

Cheers, Wayne (Colling)



Josh Colling with one of a few cod



Bill,

Fishing wise we have not done much. Our one weekend at Harrington we caught a number of good sized bream to 38cm, some Tailor and a Flathead to 66cm.

Friends also caught some good sized Blackfish.

Fishing was hard but if you put in the time you got the fish.

Peter (Logan)

hey Bill

I thought I had sent you a fishing report last month and looked in your famous newsletter August edition and realised I had not... Must have subconsciously kept it a secret.

We have been getting bream flatties and even jew up here in the lake

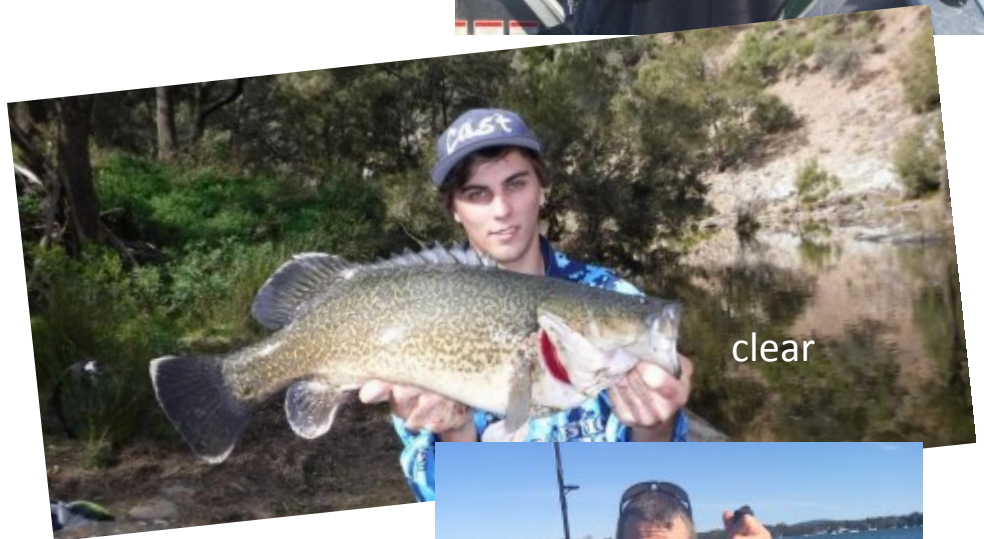
The weapons to use are the good old soft plastics and hardbody/soft plastic vibes hybrid

A good brand I used were the viberlicious marketed from the gold coast and a local distributor is Carnage from Blacksmiths (notice one in the jewie's gob)

I think the photos speak for themselves but I must say it has been an ambition of mine to get a good sized bream on a lure and I struck this one off my bucket list recently. Now a good sized jewie. All these photos were taken in the last few weeks and the place to go is the south end of the lake. Look in the pictures for some clues!

News is also that some good sized winter jew are being taken off the beach up at Stockton and for one guy this 40 kg job was a fish of a lifetime you would think!

Regards Jeff



Jeff Tabley with a Swansea winter flathead.

More Fishing Reports

Phil Turner reports good fish from Thompsons Creek Dam earlier in the month and before the recent rains. He checked the weather on line and found while it was cold (10 deg) it was sunny and with no wind And that's how it was.

Fished from 1.30 to 5pm, cold but sunny until the sun dipped. Hooked 10 fish and landed 5 – from 52 to 58 cms. using glow bugs and a San Juan worm fly. The fish could be seen and it took many fly changes to find the ones that appealed. All fish were rainbows. Fished on the east side of the dam in the vicinity of the '502' mark.

Thompsons Creek Dam (TCD) is located near Lithgow and Wallerawang and is used primarily as an off creek water storage for the Mount Piper and Wallerawang power stations.

The Whiting Night

After Bob and Dennis's talk last meeting a small group rugged up and braved the winter chill. Boats were launched around 3pm at Oatley—although Ron Camp launched at the Hole-in-the-Wall, the mini fleet of 4 boats scattered. As supper was scheduled for 8.30 most stayed in the vicinity of the river around the bay. A low of 0.44m at 1426 running up to a high of 1.70m at 2047, was thought to be pretty good. The water was still running out at first, then the turn and the start of the run-in. At the chosen locations all were using blood worms although John and Trevor used a cunning trick of threading a piece of soft plastic worm of the same colour and size on the hook first and pushed it above the eye of the hook then threaded the worm on. This made economical use of the worms. All boats caught fish, the best being a 42.5cm specimen. A pleasant evening, and with some fish for the table. Back at the ramp a welcome supper of hot dogs, coffee/tea and a wee dram of port awaited the group. Thanks to Lillian and Chris for the supper. Chris's table had wobbly legs (the table not Chris) and the table collapsed with all the stuff on the table ending up on the ground. The port didn't suffer in any way at all.

Hi Bill,
Went down the Georges River and fished landbased on Tuesday afternoon.
Fished soft plastics and got 25 Estuary Perch in an hour and left them biting. They were reasonably sized - probably up to 35 cm.
Got 8 on Wednesday, 1 on Thursday and none today. All released.
Obviously they have moved on.

Bob



The San Juan worm fly—as successfully used by Phil T at Thompsons Creek Dam

Troutster.com



CLUB RECORDER'S REPORT - August 2015



Certificates issued in August, events between 1 July and 25 August

St George SFC placed 6th overall in last year's **ANSA NSW 12-month competition**, with individual placings detailed below. Congratulations also to Belinda Rayment for winning and Karen Maltby for placing 3rd in the **ANSA NSW 2014 Convention Circuit Awards**.

Division 9: Gamefishing

3rd Bruce Rayment – Southern Bluefin Tuna 49.5kg on 24kg CAA pts 3

Division 10: Capture by a Lady

3rd Belinda Rayment – Mahi Mahi 2.88kg on 2kg CAA pts 3

Division 14: Tag and Release

2nd Bruce Rayment – 210 points CAA pts 4

3rd Phil Turner – 200 points CAA pts 3

Division 19: Length Only Flathead

3rd Brendon McMahon – Dusky Flathead 800mm CAA pts 3

Division 21: Length Only Yellowtail Kingfish

3rd Phil Turner – Yellowtail Kingfish 1,020mm CAA pts 3

Congratulations to the following anglers who were awarded **Masters capture certificates** last month:

Peter Logan – All Tackle Species – Yellowfin Bream 400mm CAA pts 5

Belinda Rayment – Gamefishing – Mako Shark est. 120kg on 24kg (100pts) CAA pts 5

Bruce Rayment – All Tackle Species – Albacore 800mm CAA pts 5

Bruce Rayment – Length Only – Albacore 800mm CAA pts 5

CHAMPION ANGLER AWARD 2015/16 - END AUGUST

MENS		LADIES		JUNIORS		Non-NSW	
Bruce Rayment	17	Belinda Rayment	8	no entries	-	no entries	-
Phil Turner	6						
Peter Logan	5						
Brendon McMahon	3						

The club's own **length only competition** for Flathead, Snapper and Salmon (Division 1) and Bream, Whiting and Tailor (Division 2) is now underway so let me know of any captures you make.

DIVISION 1 - LENGTH ONLY COMPETITION - 2015/16

Updated as at: 26/8/2015

Angler	Best Flathead - Length (mm)	Best Snapper - Length (mm)	Best Salmon - Length (mm)	Combined length (mm)
Peter Logan	680	-	-	680
Karen Maltby	-	580	-	580
David Maltby	-	420	-	420

DIVISION 2 - LENGTH ONLY COMPETITION - 2015/16

Updated as at: 26/8/2015

Angler	Best Bream - Length (mm)	Best Whiting - Length (mm)	Best Tailor - Length (mm)	Combined length (mm)
Peter Logan	400	-	400	800
Bill Harvey	-	425	-	425
Debbie Logan	390	-	-	390

Please send all claim forms to me at PO Box 923, Caringbah NSW 1495 or email to belinda.rayment@bigpond.com

Belinda



GLENBAWN DAM CATCH AND RELEASE ANSA CONVENTION 2015

hosted by NEWCASTLE SPORTFISHING CLUB Inc.

Open to ANSA members, invited guests and fishing clubs affiliated with ANSA

RULES AND ENTRY FORM

DATES AND TIMES

Midday Friday 18 September to 11:00AM Sunday 20 September 2015

ENTRY FEES

Uncatered Senior \$20

Uncatered Junior \$10

Entry does not include any site or Park fee.

CLOSING DATE

Friday, 11 September 2015.

REGISTRATION AND BRIEFING

Convention Base - Scone Fishing Club clubhouse Eastern foreshore of Lake Glenbawn. Competitors must register at the clubhouse prior to commencing fishing. At this time details of car, boat and contact phone number will be required if not previously provided and Capture forms will be issued. Late registration will be available Friday 10am to 12noon. A \$5 late entry fee will apply.

BOUNDARY

Lake Glenbawn

LINE CLASSES

Fishing rules as per ANSA rule book (but no line classes) and NSW Fisheries regulations. Braid type fishing lines (i.e. Gorilla Braid, Bionic Braid, Spiderwire Fusion, etc...) are permitted to be used. Other rules are as per ANSA handbook in relation to rod length, leader/trace length, number of hooks, fishing methods, etc.

ELIGIBLE SPECIES

Australian Bass, Golden Perch, Silver Perch, Catfish and Carp. All fish are to be released in good condition, except Carp which are to be killed. Bait fishing is permitted but care should be taken when using this method. **Note:** to give the released fish the best chance of survival, **circle hooks are now compulsory** when bait fishing. Dead fish (except Carp) are not eligible. Measure fish to nearest millimetre.

POINT SCORING

As per Newcastle Sportfishing Club point score sheet. Score sheets are to be handed to Newcastle SFC Recorder daily (to assist with a speedy tally and not hold up the Presentation on Sunday) and by 11:15AM Sunday 20 September 2015.

FISHING TIMES

Fishing cannot commence prior to 12 noon on Friday 18 September 2015, and may continue until 11:00AM on Sunday 20 September 2015.

BOAT SAFETY

All boats must comply with the safety requirements as laid down at any time by the NSW Waterways Authority. Any boat owner not complying with the regulations will risk disqualification.

DISCLAIMER

Newcastle Sportfishing Club and ANSA NSW Branch will not be responsible for any accident or injury during the entire convention. Competitors enter entirely at their own risk.

TROPHIES

Trophies will be awarded for the following sections:

- LONGEST - AUSTRALIAN BASS (ANSA Convention Circuit Category 1)
- LONGEST - GOLDEN PERCH (ANSA Convention Circuit Category 2)
- LONGEST - SILVER PERCH (ANSA Convention Circuit Category 3)
- LONGEST - CATFISH
- LONGEST - CARP
- HIGHEST INDIVIDUAL POINT SCORE - JUNIOR (ANSA Convention Circuit Category 4)
- HIGHEST INDIVIDUAL POINT SCORE – LADIES (ANSA Convention Circuit Category 5)
- HIGHEST INDIVIDUAL POINT SCORE – MENS (ANSA Convention Circuit Category 6)
- ANSA CHAMPION CLUB (ANSA affiliated clubs only)



Note: In case of a tie for trophies - Disputes committee will decide.

ANSA CHAMPION CLUB

The method of determining the ANSA champion club will be as follows:

- The eligible sections are: Australian Bass, Golden Perch, Silver Perch, Catfish and Carp
- The first five placings from each eligible section shall be awarded points on a 5-4-3-2-1 basis. (In the case of a tie, points will not be awarded for the next lowest placing)
- The points so awarded in each section shall be totalled and the club having the highest aggregate shall win.

ANSA CONVENTION CIRCUIT (ACC)

The method of determining the ANSA Convention Circuit will be as per the "ANSA Convention Circuit (ACC) Competition Rules" attached to this document:

- The nominated sections are: Australian Bass, Golden Perch, Silver Perch, Junior, Ladies and Mens
- The first five placings from each nominated section shall be awarded points on a 5-4-3-2-1 basis.

PROTESTS

Any protests must be in writing and handed to the convention committee by 11:15AM on the last day, or within half an hour of the results being declared.

DISPUTES AND SAFETY COMMITTEE: (their decision is final)

Newcastle President

Newcastle Recorder

ANSA State Representative or Nominee

MISCELLANEOUS

Free sausage sizzle before Presentation on Sunday 20 September. Please note: BYO drinks. Competitors are requested to observe etiquette both on and off the water and in proximity to other boats. At the Convention competitors must also comply with any rules laid down by any Statutory Authority. At the trophy presentation a draw will take place and a prize will be given to the holder of the lucky number.

ACCOMMODATION

Lake Glenbawn Holiday Cottages Phone: (02) 6543 7752

Lake Glenbawn State Park Phone: (02) 6543 7193

Website: www.stateparks.nsw.gov.au/lake_glenbawn

Tent camping available on foreshore - fees apply for camping and day entry.

ENQUIRES

All enquiries should be directed to: Greg McFarlane 0435 222 861, greg.mcfarlane2@gmail.com or Eddie Sitarz (02) 4951 2065.

ST GEORGE SFC - LENGTH ONLY COMPETITION - RULES 2015/16

Throughout 2015/16, all members of St George SFC are invited to participate in a Length Only Competition. There will be two separate divisions:

Division 1: Combined length for Flathead, Snapper and Salmon

Division 2: Combined length for Bream, Whiting and Tailor

The competition will run from 1 July 2015 to 30 June 2016.

Entries should be made using the form below, and forwarded to the Club Recorder within 35 days of the capture. Entries must be received before 30 June 2016.

Members can upgrade their entries at any time throughout the year so that only their longest capture for each species remains current.

There are no restrictions on line class.

All captures entered must be legal size.

All captures must be made in NSW or ACT waters.

Capture and release fishing is encouraged but not necessary for this competition.

There will be an overall prize in each division for the longest **combined length** of an angler's best capture of each species, i.e. a prize for the longest combined length of Flathead, Snapper and Salmon and a prize for the longest combined length of Bream, Whiting and Tailor.

Example: If a member's best capture of each species over the year is a Flathead of 680mm, a Snapper of 450mm and a Salmon of 530mm then their **combined length** in Division 1 will be 1,660mm.

A certificate and two 'Champion Angler Points' will be awarded to the winner of each **species category**. No additional points will be awarded for the overall combined length winner.

If you have any questions, please ask.

Belinda

ST GEORGE SFC – LENGTH ONLY COMPETITION - 2015/16

Angler	Species	Capture date	Capture location	Length in mm

Signed: _____

ST GEORGE SFC - CHAMPION ANGLER AWARD RULES 2015/16

The 'Champion Angler' award is to encourage and reward anglers of the club who are actively fishing under ANSA rules, for themselves and the club, thus promoting the angling side of the club. The awards are:

- Champion Male Angler NSW
- Champion Female Angler NSW
- Champion Junior Angler NSW
- Champion Angler Non-NSW

These awards will be presented at the Club Presentation Night. These awards can be won by the same person year after year.

The awards will be based on a point system, as detailed below:

ANSA Conventions

Entry and fishing in an ANSA Convention	3 points
1 st -5 th place in an ANSA Convention	5-1 points
Winner of Heaviest species / Longest length at an ANSA convention	3 points

Master Angler Captures

Certificate capture (100) towards Master Angler	5 points
Certificate capture (length) towards Master Angler	5 points
Certificate capture (species) towards Master Angler	5 points
Certificate capture (250) towards Master Angler	6 points
Master Certificate for Tagging	0 points
Capture Certificate 5 to 1	5 points
Capture Certificate 10 to 1	6 points
Capture Certificate 20 to 1	10 points
Capture Certificate 25 to 1	12 points

In the case of a Capture Certificate AND 10 to 1 Certificate etc. being awarded for the same fish, then only the highest point scoring Certificate will be included in the CAA point score.

Interclub / Intraclub Competitions

Entry and fishing in a designated interclub challenge	2 points
1 st -3 rd place in an interclub challenge	3-1 points
A designated top capture in an interclub challenge	2 points
1 st place in the Sussex Classic	3 points
Longest species capture in club Length Only competition	2 points

For 2015/16, designated interclub challenges are the ANSA 2-4-6 Comp.

Record Captures

Club Record Certificate	3 points
NSW Record	4 points
Australian Record	7 points
World Record	20 points

ANSA 12-month Competition

1 st to 3 rd in any division (points awarded in the following year CAA)	5-3 points
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To be eligible for 'Champion Angler', a **minimum of 20 points** must be gained within the year. Points will be tallied from **July 1st to June 30th** of the following year. A continuous update of points will be shown in the monthly Newsletter.

Points are awarded at the time forms are received and processed, not at the time of capture (i.e. forms received on July 1st will count towards the new year's competition). Points for Capture Certificates will only be granted if the forms are submitted to the recorder no later than **35 days from the date of capture**.

POINTS AND RULES WILL BE REVIEWED AT THE END OF THIS YEAR'S COMPETITION.

Shorebird Of The Month



Masked Lapwing *Vanellus miles*

Other Names. Plover, Spurwing Plover, Masked Plover

Appearance. A medium sized bird (35-38 cm) with white underparts, a black cap and "lapels" and brown-grey wings. Distinctive bright yellow face and wattles. The black-tipped yellow spurs on the wing "wrist" are not always visible. A sub-species having larger wattles and no black lapel occurs north of the Tropic of Capricorn approximately.

Similar species. The Banded Lapwing, having a broad black chest band but no wattles, is uncommon in the east.

Range & habitat. All of Australia north to about Mackay, Qld. Prefers open ground, often well away from water, but also margins of swamps, lakes and other water bodies, salt or fresh.

Feeding. Mainly insects and their larvae, and earthworms.

Breeding. June to Oct in the south. usually 3-4 yellow-olive spotted eggs in a shallow scrape in the ground, away from ground cover. The nest is often in an inappropriate location such as a playing field, traffic roundabout or flat building roof. Incubation, by both parents, is 28 days. Parents vigorously defend the nest and hatchlings, swooping on intruders or pretending to have a broken wing to lure them away. The young hatch with a full down coat and are able to leave the nest and forage for themselves almost immediately.

Voice. A loud "kekekekek", often heard at night as the birds fly to another location.



Adult - Sussex Inlet



Chick - Sussex Inlet



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