

FISH 'N' TIPS



Important Reminders

General Meeting
14th August 7:00pm

Outback Spectacular
27th August 2017

Tweed Heads
Weekend Away
13th – 15th October 2017

Fishing Club Web Site
www.bribiersfishingclub.com

AUGUST 2017

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FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Outback Spectacular Sunday 27th August 2017

Weekend Away at Tweed Heads 13th – 15 October 2017

Somerset Dam 1 Day Fishing Competition 15th November 2017



From the President's Desk... Hello everyone. July has been a busy month and of course with a vast improvement in the weather, many members have been able to get out fishing both off shore and in the Passage. We also had some very enjoyable events. I really did enjoy the talk last meeting by Roger Chong on the Saddleback Syndrome in bream. I found it thought provoking and I am keen to encourage us all to record our bream catches with detail of saddleback. Capturing that information will be an important contribution to Roger's research. Well done Trevor Plant on your part in the project and arranging for Roger to talk to us. Roger was accompanied by Jose Domingos who works at the Research Station at Woorim. A big thanks to George for doing up the coffee mugs for the fellas – Roger and Jose were stoked.

While I did raise it at the general meeting at the time, it has been remiss of me not to make a special mention here of the really good work done by Kerryn Cochrane as the Assistant Treasurer, especially while Trevor was away overseas. For family reasons Kerryn has since resigned from that position. Many thanks for keeping the finances operating Kerryn and the extra work that you did.

Sadly, we lost John Crump after battling illness on a number of fronts. John will be missed. He had a long and interesting history of fishing. What a truly wonderful sight it was to see so many members of the club at John's funeral service and especially when the guard of honour was formed. We are thinking of you at this time Valentina – you have many friends in this club.

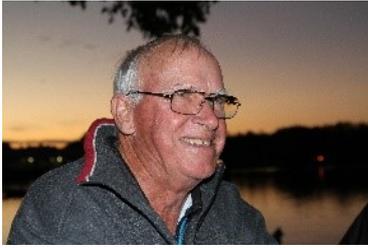
The Black, White and Red Xmas in July at the Woorim Golf Club was such a good night. I have never seen George and Dianne up dancing before but there George was, in all his glory. I observed that the slow Foxtrot is still very popular because everyone was up dancing (the music selection was a big factor). Not sure if it is worth the hat but good to see that Max and Adrienne wore their name badges. Pity we didn't have a badge draw – they would have been sure winners. The meal was superb, the music was tops and foot tapping, and the MC kept us in line and hopping. Many thanks to all of you who played a part in organizing it. A big thank you to the social committee and especially Margie for pulling it together, worrying that everything had been thought of and covering off on the finer points.

The freshwater fishing day was held at Somerset Dam. For those of you who didn't go, you missed out on a stunning day on the water and some really good fish. The bass were big and one yellow belly was very big. The next and last Somerset day for the year is on the 15th of November. Please consider participating because it is a fun day and being a week day, you don't strike the jerk skis and power boat nerds – just sitting on the glassy water, pondering whatever and waiting for the bite (if you have shrimp).

What a great day we had at the Sports Club on Sunday for the Soup Day/presentations. Many thanks to Keith, Dorothy, Frank and Sheila, Rosemary, Carmel (Amrat was sleeping at the time), Dianne and Richard, and Margie for their soups. I tried every one of them and all of were delicious. Of course, congratulations to the winners of the fishing categories and a big thank you to the Catering Manager Richard (*Slick*), energetic Assistant Caterer John, buzzing Support Sandy, and quiet On The Day Worker Amrat.

May all your target fish be hungry and big. Happy birthday to all of you celebrating in August. For those suffering ill health, I hope you get better soon, especially Noreen who is currently in hospital awaiting some very serious operations. Cheers!

Weighmaster's Report - July 2017



We have started to feel a few cold mornings over the last month but some of us have been unnecessarily subjected to one extremely cold morning when they participated in the Somerset Fresh Water competition on the 26th July 2017. Ron Winnett had decided not to use the car heater on the way to the dam to ensure that Frank and Slick C were acclimatised before they reached the dam. I am sure that the temperature was well below Zero when

six fanatical fishermen headed out in search of Bass and Yellow belly. The day was a great success mainly due to the efforts of Keith, Trevor and Ron Russell as it has become evident that fresh water shrimp are almost a necessity in the winter months.

The competition was won by Frank Oostenbroek with both the biggest fish and the heaviest bag, with Keith Kable coming a very close second with three species. Almost all the anglers caught big fish with just one exception.

It was nice to see that there were two ladies fishing offshore with Kathy Foote claiming first prize and Sheila winning the runner up. Frank won the offshore men's with a Jim Urquhart a close second.

It looks like July was the month to catch quality flathead with 32 flathead weighed in and many more released. Tina Patterson caught one that weighed just over 2kg and consequently won the inshore Ladies with Carole Winnett claiming second prize.

Nine men weighed fish for the inshore competition with Ron Winnett streaking ahead and Trevor Plant crossing in second place a mile behind. The winter westerlies should be here soon so you might be lucky enough to catch a few Tailor off the beach.



Another great fish caught by Tina Patterson

BRIBIE ISLAND RSL SOCIAL FISHING CLUB

CALENDAR 2017

AUGUST

14th August

Thursday night raffles RSL Club

Members Meeting RSL 7.00pm*

27th August

Outback Spectacular (**Competition presentation on the bus**)

30th July – 26th Aug

Inshore & Offshore Monthly Comps
Weigh in – Saturday 26th 6pm

SEPTEMBER

11th September

Thursday night raffles RSL Club

Members Meeting RSL 7.00pm

17th September

Red Beach Whiting Comp

27th Aug_ 23rd Sep

Inshore Monthly Comp - **Whiting**

Offshore Monthly Comp - **Snapper**

24th September

BBQ- 4:00pm Sports Club

Weigh in – Saturday 23rd 6pm

OCTOBER

1st October

Thursday night raffles RSL Club

Coffee at Spinnakers-Morning Tea

9th October

Members Meeting RSL 7.00pm

13th - 15th

Tweed Heads (weekend away)

Hacienda Holiday Park

24th Sep - 28th Oct

Inshore & Offshore Monthly Comps

29th October

BBQ- 4:00pm Sports Club

Weigh in – Saturday 28th 6pm

NOVEMBER

13th November

Thursday night raffles RSL Club

Members Meeting RSL 7.00pm

15th November

Somerset 1 Day Freshwater Comp

29th Oct_ 18th Nov

Inshore & Offshore Monthly Comps
(2 Weigh-ins only)

25th November

Roast Pig at Mike and Marg's for BBQ

Weigh in – Saturday 18th 6pm

DECEMBER

9th December

Thursday night raffles RSL Club

Trophy night

11th December

NO GENERAL MEETING

19th Nov – 30st Dec

Inshore & Offshore Monthly Comps
(6 Weigh-ins)

Weigh in – Saturday 30st 6pm

*Members Meetings are held in the
Anzac room of the RSL Club

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

6th September 9th November

Short Videos

Click on the Photo to select the video



Too Many Bass



Richard's Grassy Sweetlip



Tarwine on Fraser Island

Somerset Dam

Fresh Water Fishing Competition

The “Fresh Water Fishing Competition” has been an annual competition as long as I can remember. This competition is normally fished over two outings and the anglers compete for the Otto Scott Memorial Shield and the Jack Daley Shield. Although the venues have changed over the years, the competition rules have remained the same where the overall weight of all the eligible species is calculated to select the winner of the Otto Scott Memorial Shield and the biggest freshwater fish will win the Jack Daley Shield. Jack Daley and Otto Scott (Josie Scott’s Husband) were the original founders of our Bribie Island RSL Social Fishing Club.

This year the winner of the trophies will have accrued the heaviest weight and biggest fish over three separate freshwater competitions of which the final will be held at Somerset Dam on the 15th November 2017. If you have missed the first two competitions you may still compete in the last as you may still win the overall trophies as well as the prizes for the day.



The alarm sounded at 4:00am as Richard Caldararo (Slick Dick) and FrankO set out to meet Ron Winnett at 5:00am. Ron and Slick had decided to fish together for the day while Frank had teamed up with Ron Russell. Ron had the foresight to head over to the dam late on Tuesday to set his shrimp traps for the next day and stay in a warm and cosy motel in Kilcoy overnight.

Keith Kable and Trevor Bourke had organised to spend the week in their caravans so shrimp were not going to be a problem.

The trip to Somerset took just on an hour but it felt a lot longer because Ron Winnett had decided to leave the heater in the off position. That chattering noise in the back seat was Richard's teeth and knees knocking together. Ron asked me if I was cold and I told him I didn't know because my feet were numb.

Apparently Ron was preparing us for the freezing temperatures at Somerset Dam. He was right. The temperature was freezing but there wasn't a whisper of wind.

Ron and Richard quietly slid the boat into the water and headed out towards the sticks (dead trees). Richard decided to use a metal vibe which was smashed by a big bass on his first cast but that is where their luck stopped for the day.



Richard used a vibe for this bass



Keith had plenty of shrimp for these two



Trevor set the record at 2.905kg after the comp

Ron Russell had invited me to team up with him and I am so glad he did. The shrimp traps had only produced three shrimp but Keith and Trevor came to the rescue and donated a few more on the condition that they were not to be shared with me. Ron's shrimp had only just reached the bottom when his rod bent hard over as his first big bass ripped the line off his reel. The second and third bass came in one after another until Ron suggested that it was a SOCIAL fishing club after all and offered me a few shrimp.



The offer was too good to refuse and soon my rod was feeling the weight of another three bass until finally all the shrimp had been used. We tried using lures for a few hours and we were just about to give up when a big yellow belly decided that she wanted the lure. This was a big fish and the thought of losing

it certainly created a bit of excitement until Ron managed to slide the net under and capture the biggest yellow belly I have ever caught.



When we finally returned to the boat ramp to weigh in the fish, we found Ron and Richard ready and waiting. Robyn and Julie arrived soon after and it wasn't long before Trevor and Keith struggled up the hill with a bucket full of fish. That crafty pair had worked out where to catch the fresh water catfish which looked like they may just have tilted the scales in their favour.

We waited with baited breath while Ron and Ron worked out the final results. The combined weight of the top two anglers differed by a very close .065kg.

Thank you to everyone who made this competition a success. This also proves that you can catch large fish, a large variety of fish and a record breaking fish in the middle of winter. The morning was cold until about 7:00am when it turned into a summer's day. The 15th November is just a few weeks away so enjoy the fun and come along to the next exciting adventure on Somerset Dam.



The Results of the Photo Competition

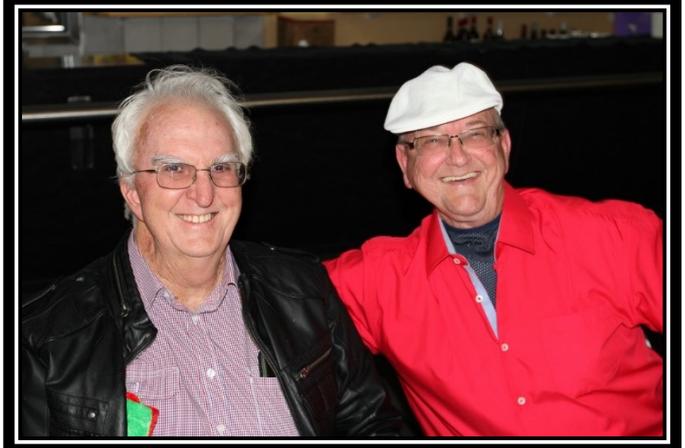


Congratulations to Keith Kable with his winning entry to the Photo Competition

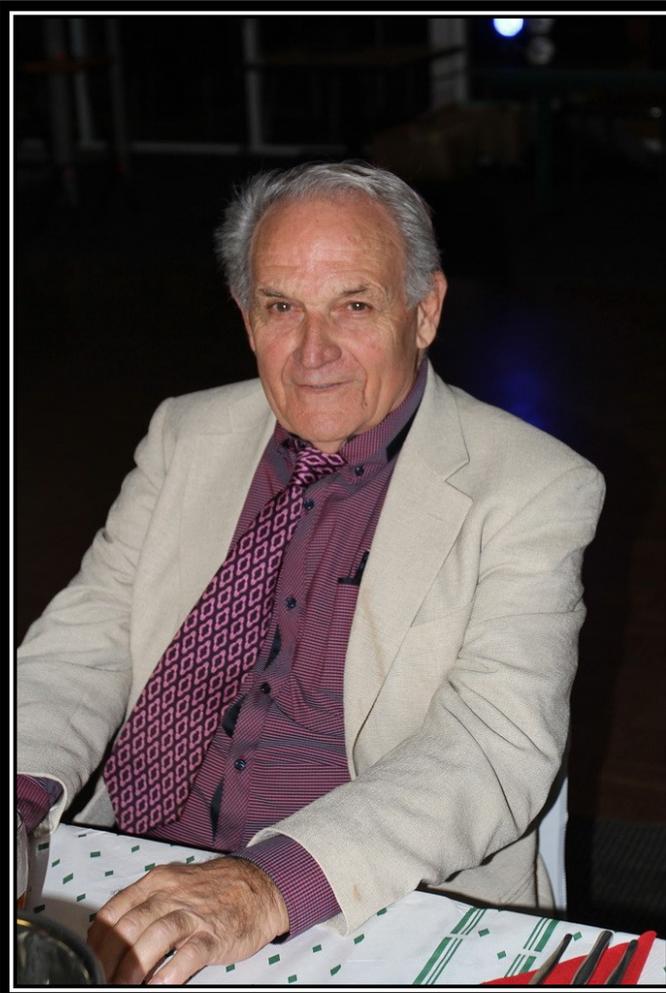
Black, White, Red and Dancing

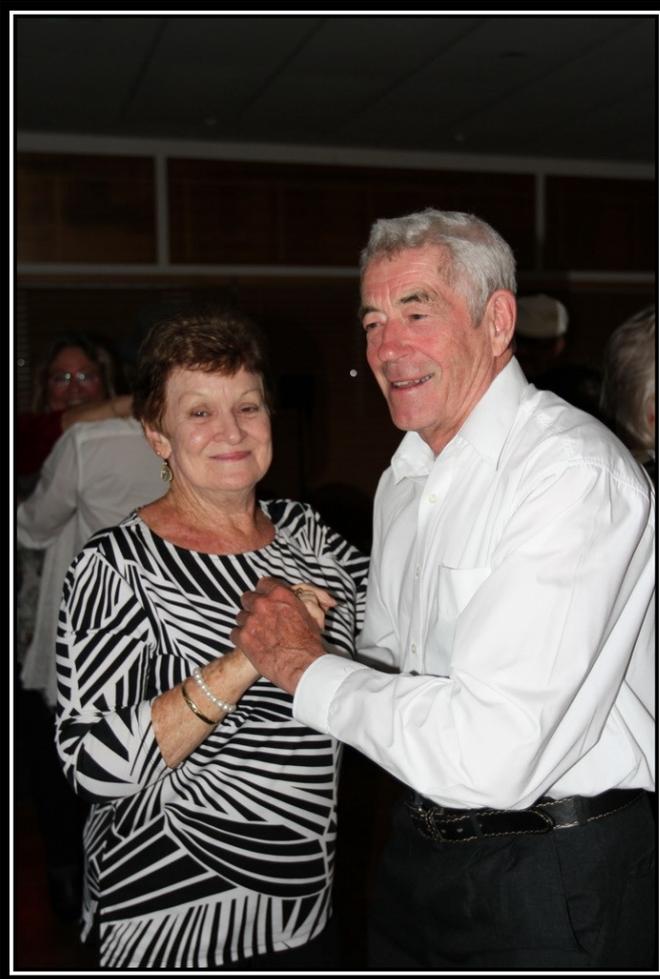
There isn't really much else to say after looking at all the photos so here are just a few. There are more Photos here: <http://www.bribierslfishingclub.com/christmas-in-july.html>











Fish Facts

Fish don't grow new scales as they grow – the scales that they have just grow bigger. This means that you can estimate the age of a fish from the rings that are formed over time, similarly to how you would guess the age of a tree.

It's strange to think of marine life having a belly button, but as whales are mammals that give birth to live young. The belly button is created after the umbilical cord, which connects mother and baby, is lost. Dolphins and porpoises have belly buttons too.

A simple method for accurately measuring a fish's swimming speed. When a fish is hooked, it makes a run. You measure how much line the fish took off the spool in a certain number of seconds, and you can calculate the fish's speed. The fastest known fish in the ocean is the sailfish. Individual fish have been clocked swimming at speeds of up to 68mph, and can cover 100 meters in just 4.8 seconds.

A tagged great white shark became the quickest recorded oceanic traveller after it swam from South Africa to Australia and back in under a year. The female shark was tagged with a data transmitter off South Africa in November 2003. The unit detached automatically and was recovered off western Australia four months later, but that wasn't the end of the story. In August 2004, five months after the transmitter bobbed to the surface, project research scientists spotted the shark—identifiable by a pattern of notches in its dorsal fin—back in its old haunt off South Africa. It had completed a round trip of some 12,500 miles in just nine months.

Joke of the Month

CANNIBALS

Five cannibals are employed by the US Army as scouts and translators during one of the Pacific Island campaigns during World War II. When the Commanding Officer welcomes the cannibals he says, "You're all part of our team now. We will compensate you well for your services, and you can eat any of the rations that the soldiers are eating. But please don't indulge yourselves by eating a soldier."

The cannibals promise not to.

Four weeks later, the CO returns and says, "You're all working very hard, and I'm very satisfied with all of you. However, one of our Master Sergeants has disappeared. Do any of you know what happened to him?" The cannibals all shake their heads no.

After the CO leaves, the leader of the cannibals turns to the others and says, "Which of you idiots ate the Master Sergeant?" A hand raises hesitantly, to which the leader of the cannibals replies, "You fool! For four weeks we've been eating Lieutenants, Captains, and Majors and no one noticed anything, then YOU had to go and eat an NCO!"

Did you know?

There is an old Hotel/Pub in Marble Arch, London, which used to have a gallows adjacent to it.

Prisoners were taken to the gallows (after a fair trial of course!) to be hanged.

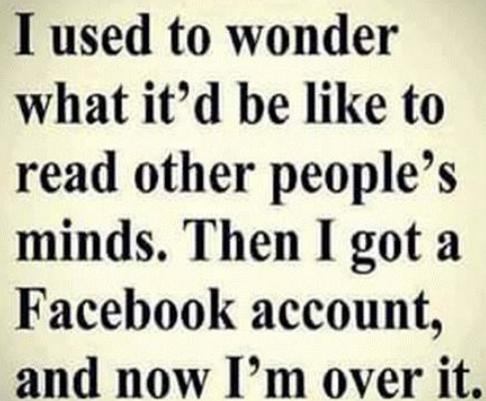
The horse-drawn dray, carting the prisoner, was accompanied by an armed guard, who would stop the dray outside the pub and ask the prisoner if he would like "ONE LAST DRINK".

If he said YES, it was referred to as "ONE FOR THE ROAD".

If he declined, the Prisoner was said to be "ON THE WAGON".

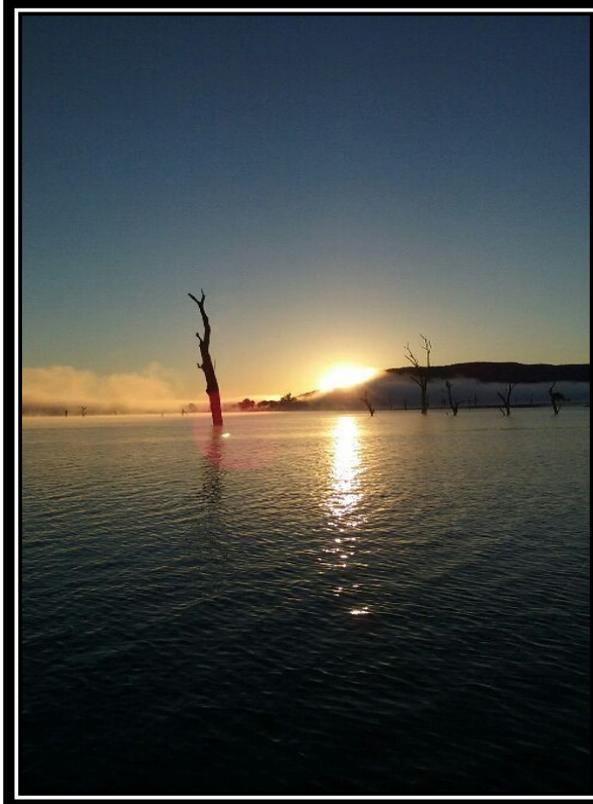
Evakool has a wide range of camping fridges, eskies and lots more but most interesting of all they sell factory seconds at significantly reduced prices. They are located at 16 Enterprise Street, Caloundra. Have a look on their website here <http://www.evakool.com/factory-seconds/fridges-factory-second>

Many thanks Frank for letting us know.



**I used to wonder
what it'd be like to
read other people's
minds. Then I got a
Facebook account,
and now I'm over it.**

Some Recent Photos



Somerset Sunrise



Rosey Job Fish / King Snapper



Plenty of Snapper and Coral Trout near Heron Island



Looking for Something

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BOAT \$3,750

This Horizon 3.9Meter Aluminium Tinny is fitted with a very reliable 18Hp Tohatsu two stroke motor and is registered until June 2017.

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Those who Support Our Club

The Bribie RSL Fishing Club provides a real service to the community by extending the hand of friendship not only to the fisher men and women with a common interest, but also to the many residents of Bribie Island and the surrounding area who would otherwise lead a lonely existence. Currently our club has approximately eighty members of whom only twenty to thirty are regular fisherpeople.



Without the ability to raise the necessary funds, our club would not be able to exist, so through the generosity of the Bribie RSL Club, members of our club are able to raise the finances required by conducting meat tray raffles on a Thursday night from June until January of each year. In addition, the Bribie Island RSL Club supports us in very substantial and significant ways – use of facilities at the Sports Club for our monthly presentation BBQ's, use of the

ANZAC room for our monthly general meetings and very importantly, a \$20 voucher each month for our member's draw. Many thanks Bribie Island RSL Club – we really do appreciate your support.

There are also occasions where we have the ability to raffle other prizes that have been kindly donated by our local businesses. The prizes that have been donated are actually great prizes that provide a real benefit to the people lucky enough to win them.



Owners of Browns Mitre 10 on Bribie Island, Michael and Samantha Brown have very kindly agreed to support us by donating a \$20 gift card each month to be used as a raffle prize at our monthly general meeting. In addition, they have offered a 5% discount on all fishing, marine and bait goods when members show their Bribie Island RSL Fishing Club member identification at time of

purchase. Browns Mitre 10 is a Wilsons fishing tackle distributor. If members provide a Wilsons product number for the item they wish to purchase and it is not in store, Michael will order it for you. This is a great service. In addition, Michael has offered to provide better pricing for group buys or for certain high turnover items. Thank you Browns Mitre 10 Bribie Island.

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providing our members a discount on all fishing gear. We really do appreciate the friendly service that Danny, and all staff give us. Many thanks Outback Adventures.

We have some fantastic support in our community and we really appreciate all the help that our local businesses have provided but there is one company who just keeps on giving. Danny Payne, who owns Outback Adventures in Morayfield, has provided us with countless gifts over the last few years and continues to offer on-going support on a daily basis by



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Eyewear Plus has donated a fantastic pair of quality polaroid sunglasses that any fisherperson would have loved to own. They have also provided us with a couple of lens cleaning spray bottles and appropriate cloths.



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Steve Kelly from Mr Minute is a very keen fisherman who has supported the club for a number of years. Steve has generously donated numerous prizes including Leatherman tools and a number of Led Lenser LED flashlights/torches. Led Lenser is well known as one of the best names in quality LED torches and they also command a high price. Thank you Steve.

HAIRDRESSING
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A number of discount vouchers have been donated by MODE Hairdressing for the last few years. It is nice to have a prize that can be utilised by the ladies.



PACIFIC HARBOUR
GOLF · RESTAURANT · BAR

Pacific Harbour Golf Club has donated quite a few gift vouchers for 18 holes of golf with a buggy for the last few years and have supported our club again for 2017. These prizes are greatly appreciated and are highly valued by the players.

BRIBIE PASSAGE KIOSK & BOAT HIRE



Kate and John McAuliffe have been sponsors of our club for many years and have donated many great prizes for our fishing competitions. Kate and John's support is ongoing and provide a valuable resource as our primary weigh in station.

BBQ Boat Hire Bribie Island



Ian and Bronwyn recently donated a voucher for an 8 person BBQ boat for a day as a prize for our raffle. Margie Gadd won it. Last year they did a similar thing and Tim Holt won it at the Trophy Presentation night. Many thanks BBQ Boat Hire. They are located at the Pacific Harbour Marina. Please consider them for your BBQ boat hire needs.



Hypnotic Fashion has been

supporting our club for a few years now, so if you are after ladies' fashion for all ages please drop by. After ten years of being located in the Bribie Island Shopping Centre, Hypnotic Fashion decided to relocate to bigger premises on Benabrow Avenue. The new premises have been totally renovated and they have sourced out the latest fashion and accessories at great prices so have a look at the new look HYPNOTIC FASHION BOUTIQUE.



The Priceline pharmacy has been part of the Bribie Island community for many years but did you know that the proprietors John and Cindy are also very keen on fishing. You won't see them out in the store but you can be sure that they will be looking after your needs behind the office door. Your Priceline pharmacist is there to assist you by giving you advice and talking through your health concerns. From our friendly staff to our trained cosmeticians, we aim to give you the best advice and recommendations, great prices and the latest products.



Renee Monck has kindly offered to donate a thirty-dollar meal voucher to the Bribie Island RSL Social Fishing Club on a monthly basis. If you would like to experience one of the best meals on Bribie Island, Call Eats Bistro on (07)3408 7021 to book your table. Eats Bistro is located in the Solander Lake

Bowls Club, 70 Sunderland Drive, Banksia Beach.

We thank you all for your ongoing support.