





## *President's Report*

### *December 2023*

Hello everyone,

Once again we come to close of play, this time for 2023. Personally, I think this year has been extra special for my time at the helm especially since the easing of Covid 19 restrictions.

Although Offshore fishing has been all but non-existent this year, we still managed to get the men over the line with a few fish. And we had an exceptional inshore Flathead season, not only for our members but for other passage fishermen as well. I see by the reports that Cooks rocks and surrounding areas, the ripples and the drop off at the bird sanctuary, are firing up again after a quiet few seasons.

Congratulations to all trophy winners and placegetters not only for your tenacity but enthusiasm to find those elusive fish. I am looking for more Ladies to start to participate in 2024 as we are a combined fishing club which not all clubs on the island can boast about or offer this service to members.

A tremendous thank you to all who organised or helped during the year whether it be at end of month celebrations or events throughout the year. A special mention also to our "Ham" burglars at the RSL this month, they're doing a fantastic job on the raffles.

The committee this year as in previous years has made my job a pleasure to do, so a warm thank you to you all.

The boat competition recently completed, proved it is here to stay for some time with great weather and good tides ending in a light lunch.

A special mention goes out to my Club person of the year, Heatherbell Rogers and to our Secretary Ray. I have probably forgotten to thank some members, but rest assured I do appreciate your help or chats throughout the year.

Members please do not forget our AGM on Monday the 15th of January 2024 at 7pm, and as I have said many times before, the committee is an integral cog in the workings of a successful club.

That's a wrap for 2023, so from Julie and myself we wish you a very merry Xmas and a happy and prosperous new year and let's look forward to 2024 with renewed vigour and enthusiasm.

Safe travels and good health. Yours,

**KK**



## **Editor's Notes**

Hi Everyone,

Well, we come to the close of another year of fishing, and I must apologise for the lateness of this newsletter, we wanted to have the final events and all results completed before sending it out.

All our events are becoming more popular throughout the year, so make sure you get your name down smartly when your event of choice is announced.

The results of all recent comps are in this newsletter. Richard's monthly comp appears on page 4, followed by Somerset results on page 5, and then two pages of the boat comp results pages 6 and 7. Once again I had to split those results over two pages, as they wont fit on one page nicely.

Trophy night was a great success with the choice of Masquerade as the theme. There are a few photos on page 9, but there are heaps more that I will put onto the website in due course. Keep an eye on the website under the Events tab, as I am trying to get all the photos I have in my possession in as slideshows.

If you have any photos from trophy night or the latest boat comp day, please send me some, they will go into the website. I must thank everyone who has sent me photos and/or articles over the last year since I took over this job, it really does help make my job easier. And don't forget to send me your fishy pics for the newsletter. I will need some to start the new year with.

That's it from me for this year, so I wish you all a very happy Christmas and a wonderful New Year, and see you at the AGM on the 15 January, if not before.

*Alison*

Send your contributions to me at

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### **Front Page Pic**

To finish off this year's front page photos, we have Tammy Oostenbroek with two good sized Bass that she caught during her week at Somerset Dam in November.





**Richard Holmes -  
Weighmaster**

**Weighmaster's Report  
November 2023**

Men's Inshore - 63 Fish Weighed in

Place	Name	Points	No of Fish
1st	Trevor Plant	92	17
2nd	Ron Winnett	71	14
3rd	Bruce Carey	60	10
4th	John Casey	30	9
5th	Richard Patterson	15	5
6th	Mike Phillips	11	4



*"Yes dear, everything here at work is going well. Can I call you back? I have something, I mean, someone on the other line."*

Men's Offshore - No fish weighed in

Ladies Inshore & Offshore - No fish weighed in

Juniors & Sub-Juniors - No fish weighed in



## Somerset Dam Comp

### Results

Heaviest Fish - (3 fish were weighed in)

Place	Name	Type of Fish	Weight
Winner	Greg HANNAY	Golden Perch (Yellowbelly)	2.55kg
Second	Frank OOSTENBROEK	Australian Bass	1.649kg
Third	Tammy OOSTENBROEK	Australian Bass	1.520kg

Heaviest Bag of Fish – (39 fish were weighed in)

Place	Name	Type of Fish	Weight
Winner	Greg HANNAY	Bass/ Yellowbelly	6.07kg
Second	Tony JERICEVICH	Bass, Y'Belly, Eel Tail Catfish	5.42kg
Third	Frank OOSTENBROEK	Bass / Eel Tail Catfish	5.41kg

Other Competitors (39 fish weighed in)

Species	Name	No. of Fish	Weight of Fish
Eel Tail Catfish	Trevor BOURKE	3	2.652kg
Bass/ Eel Tail Catfish	Bruce CAREY	5	4.217kg
Eel Tail Catfish	John CASEY	2	2.148kg
Bass / Eel Tail Catfish	Keith KABLE	2	1.199kg
Bass	Jim KENNEDY	6	1.464kg
Bass	Cheryll KENNEDY	2	.461kg
Bass	Tammy OOSTENBROEK	4	4.768kg
Eel Tail Catfish	Ron WINNETT	3	3.175kg

Lucky Draw

Name
Peter LEDGER



## Pumicestone Boat Comp

December 2023

### Results



DAY: Wed DATE: 13 December 2023 LOCATION: Inshore Boundaries CATCH: Max 5 Fish per Species per member

Boat Nominations		Fishing Nominations	Notes		
1	Bruce Carey	Alison Herring	Runner Up		
2	Richard Patterson	Heatherbell Rogers			
3	Mike Phillips	Vic Herring	1st		
4	Roley Cook	John Casey			
5	Ron Winnett	Chris Povey			
6	Trevor Bourke	Chris Kneller			
7	Trevor Plant	Barry Parks	3rd		
8	Ray Rogers	Greg Hannay			
9	Richard Holmes	Keith Kable			
	Steve Bruce	Coll Callander			
	Allan Woodward	John Davis			
		Peter Ledger			
		Max Spencer (4 in boat)			



	Name(s)	Fish	Weight (Kg)	Bag (Kg)	Place
1	Bruce C (Boat) Alison (Crew)	Sweetlip	0.660		
2		Sweetlip	0.576		
		Flathead	2.366		
		Flathead	0.750		
3		Bream	0.385	4.737	
4	Richard P (Boat) Heatherbell (Crew)	Bream	0.465		Lucky Draw
5		Bream	0.472		
6		Bream	0.376		
7		Bream	0.432	1.745	
8	Mike P (Boat) Vic H (Crew)	Sweetlip	0.602	0.602	
		Sweetlip	0.710		
		Sweetlip	0.679		
		Sweetlip	0.515		
		Sweetlip	0.542		
		Bream	0.551		
		Bream	0.528		
		Bream	0.438		
		Sole	0.217	4.784	
9	Roley C (Boat) John C (Crew)	Bream	0.356		
10		Flathead	1.146	1.504	
11	Ron W (Boat) Chris P (Crew)	Tailor	0.602		
12		Tarwhine	0.451		
13		Bream	0.446		
14		Bream	0.393		
		Trevally	0.299	2.191	
15	Trevor B (Boat) Chris K (Crew)	Bream	0.346	1.198	
16		Dusky Flathead	0.752		
17	Trevor P (Boat) Barry P (Crew)	Sweetlip	0.740		
18		Sweetlip	0.698		
19		Sweetlip	0.474		
20		Tarwhine	0.425		
		Bream	0.375		
		Snapper	1.046	3.758	
21	Ray R (Boat) Greg H (Crew)	Giant Trevally	2.532	2.532	
22	Richard H (Boat) Keith K (Crew)	Bream	0.360	0.360	
23	Steve B (Boat) Coll C (Crew)		0.000		
24	Allan W (Boat) 4 on board	Flathead	0.681		
25	John D (Crew)	Bream	0.406		
26	Peter L (Crew)	Bream	0.319		
27	Max S (Crew)			0.703	
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## **Christmas message from Vice President Richard Patterson**

I would like to take this opportunity to wish all the members and their families a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year, from Tina and myself, and thanks to everyone for your support during the year.

See you all next year.

Richard.

### **How Safe are our Canals**

If you are living on a canal you may already know that you could be sharing your waterways with Bull Sharks. [Here is a link](#) to a short read on the sharks that inhabit the waterways of the Sunshine Coast.

Thanks to John Davis for supplying this article.

### **New Members**

Welcome to our newest member, Max Spencer. Good to see you've already joined in with a few events.

Plenty more are planned for next year.





## Trophy Night

Just a few pics of our Masquerade theme Trophy and Presentation night held recently in the RSL. More photos will be available on the website soon.



## Raffles

Our Thursday night raffles at the RSL Club continue throughout the year, so get yourselves down there anytime from 5pm. Have dinner and a drink with friends and buy some tickets to support your fellow club members and your fishing club. The draw will be just after 7pm in the Sports Bar.

### The roster for December and January is:

21st December - Carole & Ron Winnett, John & Jill Davis, and John & Sandy Casey

28th December - Marg Langley, Chris Kneller and Trevor Plant

4th January - Marg Langley & Chris Kneller, and Hillary & Allan Woodward

11th January - Marg Langley & Chris Kneller, and Hillary & Allan Woodward

18th January - Ony & Loris Roubin, and Angie Stenning & Steve Burns



This year's Xmas Ham raffle table with Sandy, Jill and Carole.



John Casey with two Woolworths staff members.

Woolworths has once again donated some hams for us to raffle on Thursday nights.



## Random Photos



Ron, John Casey and John Davis pose with our new pull-up banner for use at the raffles and other events. With thanks to Busy Fingers for helping to create that.



Ron Winnett with a 1.5kg Sweetlip caught a few weeks ago.

### Weighstations

The following people have agreed to be “weigh-in-stations” for club members wishing to weigh and measure their latest catch.

- Richard Holmes (weighmaster) - Bongaree 0419 668 751
- Ron and Carole - Bongaree 0418 881 419
- John & Jillian - Bongaree 0417795584

#### COMMITTEE MEMBERS 2023

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### Closed Seasons

Please be aware of the following closed seasons

**Queensland east coast: barramundi closed season – 1 November to 31 January** And if you happen to be planning a fishing holiday north: **Gulf of Carpentaria: barramundi closed season – 7 October to 31 January**



## **BBQs at TOC-H**



These are held on the last Sunday of each month. Your annual membership fee covers the cost of all BBQs. (Just bring some cash for raffles!)

It is a BYO venue and if you have never been there before, you can find TOC H at 36 Banya St, Bongaree. (Go down the grassy slope).

A map is available on the website at [www.bribierslfishingclub.com/monthly-bbqs.html](http://www.bribierslfishingclub.com/monthly-bbqs.html)

or just use Google maps on your phone.

The next BBQ will be held on the last Sunday of January 2024.



Trevor supervises Bruce and Peter as they cook the onions for the burgers



The ladies serve the members with their burgers



# Our Sponsors

Thank you to all our sponsors for the continued support.

Many of our Raffle Prizes have been donated from these businesses so make sure you support them when you can.



The Bribie RSL Fishing Club provides a real service to the community by extending the hand of friendship not only to fishermen 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. 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 raffles for meat and seafood vouchers on Thursday nights throughout the year. In addition, the Bribie Island RSL Club supports us in very substantial and significant ways – use of the ANZAC room for our monthly general meetings and very importantly, a \$25 voucher each month for our member's draw. Many thanks Bribie Island RSL Club – we really do appreciate your support.





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