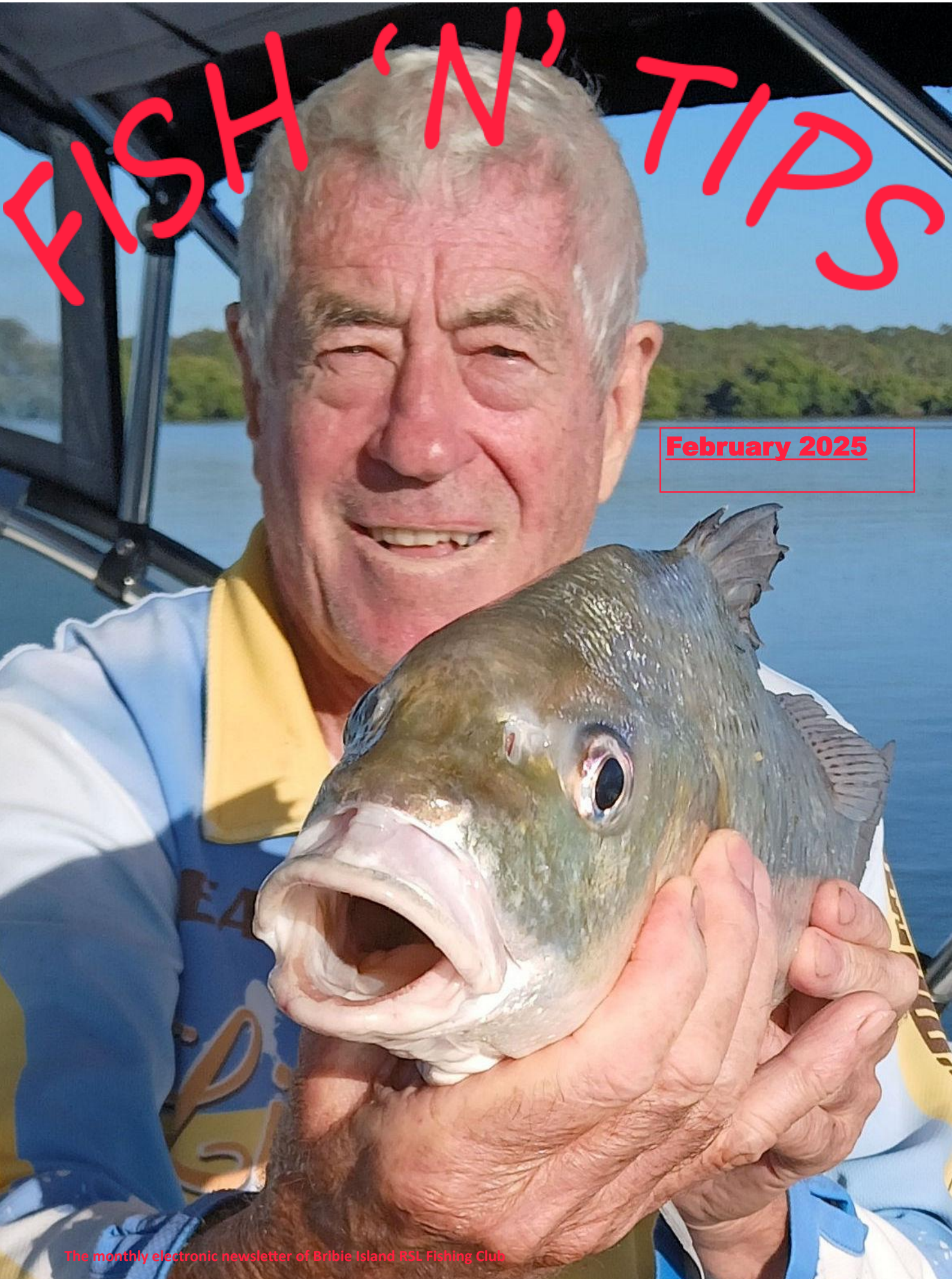


FISH 'N' TIPS

February 2025



President's Report

January 2025



***Keith Kable -
Club President***

Hello Everyone,

Up and running into 2025 with a quick 3 day cruise to nowhere to celebrate Ray Rogers' 80th birthday for a small group of like-minded fishing club members, and of course family and friends.

Thank you all for making this such a memorable cruise and a good break from Bribie life.

The calendar has been finalised early again this year and is up on the website so check it out sooner, better than later, to set up your year. As you will note some great times ahead for comps and excursions at home and away with more to come, I am sure.

We still hear from members that old catch phrase, I haven't looked at our website or read my emails for ages, which doesn't sit well for the people who volunteer their time to make this a better club for you.

I am still very interested in setting up a small group of caring members to contact and visit our sick and injured just to have a chat and maybe give their partners a short respite from the mentally and sometimes physically demanding chore they have.

This is especially important for our single members. If this could be you, please contact me for a little more on this matter as I feel we need to fit this into our club's criteria as we are an aging club, and we need to look after our members a little more.

For those of you that may remember Valentina Crump, I spoke with her this week and she is enjoying her time with her two sons in between Townsville and Cairns. She is still in a choir and a dancing group at the great age of 92 and she asked I mention this to the older members.

I won't say a lot on our first BBQ boat comp on Thurs 13th Feb at 6.30am start as Hilary will have more to say on the organisation of the day along with the Weighmaster Richard.

Please don't forget our General Meeting on Monday 10th Feb upstairs at the RSL at 7.00 pm.

Stay safe and well, and our condolences go out to the Zmuda family on the loss of their daughter at Woorim from a shark attack this week.

KK

Editor's Notes

Hi everyone,

Just a short note this month.

You may have noticed the calendar for this year's events and competitions is available on the website to download, under Fishing Info. It might pay to print that off and stick it on your fridge or somewhere

Hilary has outlined the coming events for the next couple of months in her blurb on page 5. If you want to participate in anything, the forms to fill in will be at the general meeting on Monday.

An important day is the Clean Up Australia day, if you haven't joined in this before, you could be amazed at what the members have picked up as rubbish.

Well done to Ron who has beaten his own record with a barred grunter, details are on page 6.

Our members appear to have had a good run with cobia recently, and according to the local fishing gurus, mangrove jack and estuary cod are on the bite around the Pacific Harbour Canals, along with the usual bream.

That's all I have for this month, so happy fishing, and see you at the meeting.

Alison



Front Page Photo

Ron Winnett graces our front page once again, this time with a record breaking Barred Grunter. More on that on page 6.

Send your contributions to me at

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or send to ph 0418 603 691



Richard Holmes
Weighmaster

Weighmaster's Report

For January 2025

Total No. fish weighed in - 92

No fish weighed in for Ladies or Juniors

Men's Inshore - 81 Fish weighed in		
Place	Name	Points
1st	Trevor Plant	105
2nd	Ron Winnett	102
3rd	Coll Callander	84
4th	Bruce Carey	58

Men's Offshore - 11 Fish weighed in		
Place	Name	Points
1st	Amrat Chauhan	80.42
2nd	Jim Urquhart	49.15
3rd	Keith Kable	45.05
4th	No Fourth Place	

Lucky Draws for January will be done at the February meeting, and will be published in the March newsletter along with the February results.



Events and Catering Update

By Hilary Woodward

February 2025

Hello Everyone

We have a few of the regular events happening in February and March for which we are needing an idea of numbers.

Firstly, we have our inaugural **BBQ Boat Competition** on Thursday 13th February. We depart from the Sandstone Point Marina office of Bribie Island Boat Charters at 6.30am. This is a Hand Line Only Comp followed by a BBQ lunch in the park next to the public boat ramp. Please bring your own drinks and morning tea/snacks for the boat. Crew draw will take place following the General Meeting on Monday. Please let us know if you are coming either by contacting me or via the 'Expression of Interest' sheet at the GM.

Then we have our regular **monthly BBQ** on Sunday 23rd February at 4.00pm. This will be burgers and catered by Sandra & John Casey and Ron and Carole Winnett.

On Sunday 2nd March it is **Clean Up Australia Day**. Starting time is 7am, clean up for 2 hours and as in past years I believe a BBQ breakfast will be provided by the Kables. I am sure Keith will have mentioned this in his report. Expression of interest sheet available at the GM.

The first of our **Somerset Dam Comps** takes place in March. As usual, we have booked most, if not all, the cabins and have also booked 5 caravan sites. The dates these are held for are Monday 17th March to Friday 21st March (4 nights). Because so many of our number extend their stay I have held the cabins and caravan sites for 4 nights and will adjust as necessary. Please do not contact the Holiday Park directly at this stage, I will need to allocate cabins/sites and advise them of same first. There will be an 'Expression of Interest' sheet available at the GM.

Finally, a quick mention of our trip to see Grease the Musical at QPAC in January. Everyone attending seemed to enjoy themselves and we were a very happy group of train travellers going down and coming home. My thanks to everyone for making the day so successful.

I think that's it from me for the moment. See you all at the General Meeting.

Hilary

(Catering & Events Co-ordinator Bribie Island RSL Fishing Club)

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New Club Record



Above: Ron Winnett holds up the Barred Grunter he caught in early January, which gives him a new record of 2.055kg, breaking his own previous record of 1.36kg from 2012.

Remember, if you want to see our 'Club Record Busters', and some of their photos from 2020 onwards, you can find them on the website [HERE](#).

All our official club records are listed [HERE](#) in the website.



Boaties, please take heed of these signs and be careful where you anchor - recently Energex divers retrieved 28 anchors along with ropes and chains that had become tangled around the cables near the Bribie bridge. We don't want to hear of any incidents or accidents involving our club members, or anyone else for that matter.

Members' Photos



Trevor Plant shows off his 67cm flathead, and his 35cm bream, caught during January.



John Casey holds up a Cobia he caught off the Pebble Beach area in late January.

He says he caught another one, but it jumped out of the landing net. Maybe you need a bigger landing net John?



Not to be outdone by all the other Cobia catchers, Ron proves he has the knack as well. Caught during late January.



Of Grease and Cruising

Above: Our fishing club members that took part in the trip into the city to see the musical “Grease”.
Below: Our club members that took the cruise to nowhere to celebrate Ray’s recent birthday.



Closed Seasons

Tropical rock lobster

1st October to 31st December QLD East coast waters north of Latitude 14°S and the Gulf of Carpentaria waters.

Spanish mackerel

Southern Closures: 1st to 21st February, and 1st to 21st March each year, East Coast waters south of 22°S between Mackay and Yeppoon.

Barramundi

QLD east coast tidal waters, from 1st November to 31st January, and the Gulf of Carpentaria waters from 7th October to 31st January.

Spanner Crab

QLD East coast waters from 1st November to 15th December each year.

For more info on closed seasons including maps, see this [Fisheries page](#)

Monthly Club Weigh-in Deadlines.

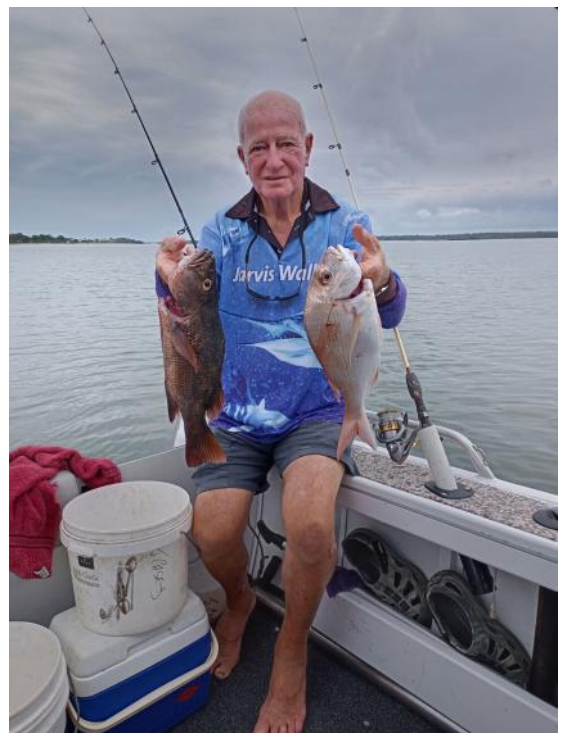
The deadline for the February fishing competitions (in-shore, off-shore and freshwater), is 6pm Friday 21st Feb 2025.

Have your [weigh-in sheet](#) with the weighmasters by that time to be included. The March comp will commence immediately, and the winners will be announced at the next BBQ, on Sunday 23rd February. January's winners will be announced at the meeting.

Weighmasters

Richard Holmes rjbholmes@bigpond.com

Richard Patterson richardtina21@gmail.com



John Casey with his Mangrove Jack and a snapper caught in December.

Calendars

The club Calendar for 2025 is now available for downloading from the website [HERE](#)

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 temporary Sports Bar next to Botanic.

The roster for February & March is:

13th Feb: Sandra & John Casey with Ali & Vic Herring

20th Feb: Heatherbell & Ray Rogers with Ali Herring & Bruce Carey

27th Feb: Heatherbell & Ray Rogers with Ali Herring & Bruce Carey

6th March:

13th March: Kate Ingleby & Denis Shoecraft with Bruce Carey

20th March: Jim & Wendy Urquhart with HB Rogers & Bruce Carey

27th March: Margaret & Mike Phillips

Remember, we are running raffles every Thursday at the RSL. If you think you can help fill any of the above gaps or help out anytime please contact Heatherbell. (0432 664773).

Club Merchandise for sale

Sandra Casey has a selection of items, listed below, available for sale to members. You can contact her on 0448242448. They will also be available at the BBQs and meetings if you would like to purchase anything.

Club polo tee shirts short sleeve.
\$40.00

Long sleeve \$40.00

Club caps \$15.00

Club Stubbie Coolers \$8.00 each

BBQs at TOC-H



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

It is a BYO venue (no drink sales) 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.bribiersfishingclub.com/monthly-bbqs.html or just use Google maps on your phone.

The next BBQ will be **Sunday 23rd February 2025. 4pm** and catered by Sandra & John Casey and Ron and Carole Winnett.

Several people have asked me how Toc-H came about. If you are interested follow [this link](#) to find out about the history of Toc-H.

Committee Members 2025

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Treasurer - Heatherbell Rogers 0432 664773

Weighmaster - Richard Holmes 0419 668751

Asst Weighmaster - Richard Patterson 0400 994878

Webmaster/Newsletter - Alison Herring 0418603691

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Merchandising - Sandy Casey 0448242448

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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