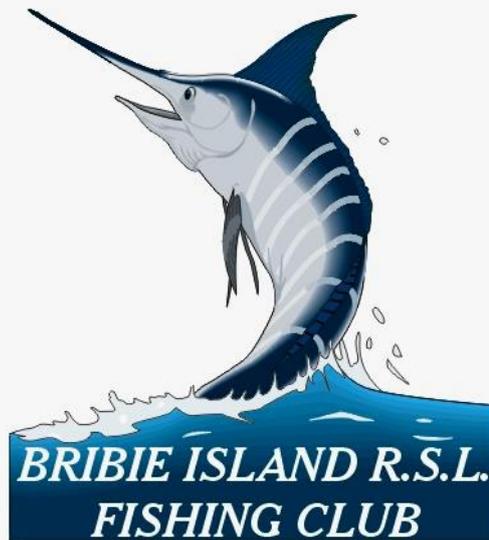


# FISH 'N' TIPS



## Important Reminders

### June Members Meeting

8th June 7:00pm

### \*Weigh In

Saturday, 27<sup>th</sup> June 6pm

### 28th June

### Barefoot Bowls

1:30pm

### Fishing Club Web Site

[www.bribierslfishingclub.com](http://www.bribierslfishingclub.com)

## MAY 2015

## COMMITTEE MEMBERS 2015

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### FORTHCOMING EVENTS

**8<sup>th</sup> June Member's Meeting 7:00pm**

**28<sup>th</sup> June Barefoot Bowls**

**BBQ- 3:00pm.Sports Club (Pizza)**

## President's Report

The Maroochydore weekend was a great success with more fish being caught than i can ever remember and most members put them back to live another day so we could catch them again next year when hopefully they have grown bigger.

The Thursday night raffles have now restarted and the first one was much better than last year. We have changed the prizes this year to 4 x \$25 vouchers and four \$25 trays. In this newsletter is the roster but we still have to sort the roster out for December and January, The raffle stint is a great way for new members to get to know people so do not be afraid to volunteer as you will get something out of it as well as giving something back to the club. If you cannot make a particular week then just arrange to swap with someone. Also I think you will find that 3 or 4 is the maximum you need at any time to do the raffles so just sort it out amongst yourselves who is going to do what week/s in your rostered month.

The end of month BBQ for June is also our bowling afternoon and we start at 1.30 pm. Please put your name on the list so we know how many to order bowls for and for the catering afterwards. If you decide you want to come and have not put your name on the list or cannot come due to a change of circumstances then please call either Margaret Phillips or Margaret Steptoe (not Carole) by the Wednesday before as catering has to be ordered.

The competition for June for the Bream inshore and Pearl Perch offshore has started well with several bags of Bream and some Pearl Perch already being weighed in. The bream are certainly out there but try as I may I have not been able to find a legal pearly yet and it is hard work pulling up a 12 oz lead from 90 metres.

A happy birthday to all those with birthdays in June.

Tight Lines,

Mike Phillips

## Weighmaster's Report

The trip to Maroochydore was another exciting and fun filled weekend. The fish were a lot bigger than last year and everyone was into the action with most of us weighing in at least five fish. There are always the one or two fisherpersons who stand out from the crowd but this time the Tina and Richard Patterson certainly made their presence felt by catching the big fish. If they did it once or twice it may have been luck but it appears that Tina really knows how to catch the big flathead and Richard consistently catches those bigger bream.

This year our Weigh-Master decided to have a restricted competition for the heaviest bag for each species, which made for a very exciting time. Whiting and bream were available in good numbers but the flathead proved to be a lot more difficult to find. The rain stayed away until after the weekend but the mornings were just as chilly as last year. Thank you to all for making this another successful and enjoyable trip. The results for the April competition are as follows:

There were 139 bream 5 whiting and three flathead weighed in but there were many more caught and released.

Heaviest Bag Bream:	Richard Patterson	4.41Kg
Heaviest Bag Flathead:	Tina Patterson	2.55Kg
Heaviest Bag Whiting:	Michael Phillips	.470Kg

***Best Bream Catches: Richard Patterson 4.41kg – Ron Winnett 4.12Kg – Trevor Bourke 3.99Kg***

Lucky Draw Bream:	Pam McGruddy
Lucky Draw Flathead:	Frank Oostenbroek
Lucky Draw Bream:	Trevor Bourke

EXTRA Lucky Draw:	John Casey
EXTRA Lucky Draw:	Richard Caldararo

***Special Thanks to Outback Adventures for providing the generous prizes for the competition.***



The monthly competition for May also proved to be very close and it was nice to see Richard Caldararo's name on the top of the list. The flathead and tailor have also made their grand entrance with quite a few sole added in for good luck.

A few of the diehards have been fishing Cook's Rocks in the evening and have been rewarded with plenty of action. It is almost impossible to fish with two rods because the action is thick and fast. You may need to consider using your gang hooks because the tailor are hitting anything that moves and if your line is a bit close to the hook you may wind in a hookless line.

There are a lot of squid around at the moment and catches of ten or twenty in a few hours are not uncommon so it is not surprising to see that the best bait for tailor may be squid.

Some of the Top Catches for May were :

Bream	.78Kg	Richard Patterson
Bream	.76	Carole Winnett
Flathead	1.74Kg	Ron Winnett
Snapper	2.95Kg	Trevor Plant
Tailor	1.43Kg	Frank Oostenbroek

***INSHORE: 105 Fish caught***

<b><i>Men's Winner:</i></b>	Richard Caldararo
<b><i>Men's Runner-up:</i></b>	Ron Winnett
<b><i>Ladies Winner:</i></b>	Carole Winnett
<b><i>Ladies Runner-up:</i></b>	Tina Patterson

***OFFSHORE: 59 Fish Caught***

<b><i>Men's Winner:</i></b>	Trevor Plant
<b><i>Men's Runner-up:</i></b>	Frank Oostenbroek

***Please Note: The monthly competition for June is a restricted to a specific species:***

***Inshore: Bream***

***Offshore: Pearl Pearch***

***All other species may still be weighed in but will only be accredited to the out of competition tally and will not be eligible for the June monthly competition.***

# **BRIBIE ISLAND RSL FISHING CLUB**

## **CALENDAR 2015**



### **JUNE**

4<sup>th</sup> Thursday night raffles RSL Club  
8<sup>th</sup> Members Meeting RSL 7.00pm\*  
31<sup>st</sup> May -27<sup>th</sup> June Inshore Monthly Comp- **Bream**  
Offshore Monthly Comp-  
**Pearl Perch**  
28<sup>th</sup> **Bowls afternoon (Pizza) Sports Club**  
Weigh inn – Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> 6pm

### **JULY**

13<sup>th</sup> Members Meeting RSL 7.00pm\*  
28<sup>th</sup> June –25<sup>th</sup> July Inshore & Offshore Monthly Comps  
26<sup>th</sup> **26<sup>th</sup> BBQ 3:00pm Sports Club (Meat Pies)**  
Weigh inn – Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> 6pm

### **AUGUST**

10<sup>th</sup> Members Meeting RSL 7.00pm\*  
25<sup>th</sup> July –29<sup>th</sup> Aug Inshore & Offshore Monthly Comps  
29<sup>th</sup> **Social Dinner (Sandstone Point Hotel)**  
Weigh inn – Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> 6pm

### **SEPTEMBER**

14<sup>th</sup> Members Meeting RSL 7.00pm \*  
30<sup>th</sup> Aug - 26<sup>th</sup> Sep Inshore Monthly Comp - **Whiting**  
Offshore Monthly Comp - **Snapper**  
27<sup>th</sup> **BBQ- 4:00pm Sports Club**  
Weigh inn – Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> 6pm

### **OCTOBER**

9<sup>th</sup> -11<sup>th</sup> **Tweed Heads (weekend away) Hacienda Holiday Park**  
12<sup>th</sup> Members Meeting RSL 7.00pm\*  
27<sup>th</sup> Sep -24<sup>th</sup> Oct Inshore & Offshore Monthly Comps  
**BBQ- 4:00pm Sports Club**  
Weigh inn – Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> 6pm  
**Mystery Fish & Weight / Month**

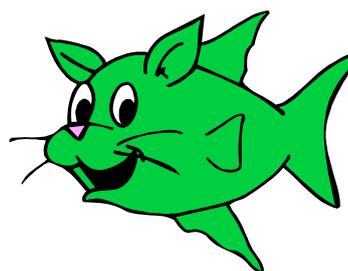
### **NOVEMBER**

9<sup>th</sup> Members Meeting RSL 7.00pm\*  
14<sup>th</sup> **Somerset Dam Freshwater Comp**  
25<sup>th</sup> Oct -21<sup>st</sup> Nov Inshore & Offshore Monthly Comps  
29<sup>th</sup> **BBQ- 4:00pm Sports Club (Burgers)**  
Weigh inn –Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> 6pm

### **DECEMBER**

12<sup>th</sup> **Trophy Night TOC H House Bongaree**  
14<sup>th</sup> **Member's Meeting RSL 7:00pm**  
22<sup>nd</sup> Nov – 26<sup>th</sup> Dec **Inshore & Offshore Monthly Comps**

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



## **BAREFOOT BOWLS**

**SUNDAY**  
**28<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 1:30PM**



### **BONGAREE SPORTS CLUB**

Price: Bowling **Members \$5:00**

Pizza after the bowls

(Members who have not nominated) **\$5:00**

Final numbers by 8<sup>th</sup> June (Meeting)

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## **HACIENDA HOLIDAY PARK**

### **TWEED HEADS**

**300/37 Chinderah Bay Drive**  
**Chinderah**

**Ph 02 66741245**

**Friday 9<sup>th</sup> -11<sup>th</sup> October**

**Price 2 nights: Members \$130:00 2 Adults**

**Non Refundable Deposit**

**\$60:00 13<sup>th</sup> July (Meeting)**

**Final Payment 29<sup>th</sup> August 2015**

Ensuite self contained Cabins

Saturday night BBQ included

Please bring own linen

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## **SOCIAL DINNER**

**Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> August**

### **SANDSTONE POINT HOTEL**

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## **SOMERSET DAM**

**Saturday**  
**November**



**14<sup>th</sup>**

**1 Day Comp**

## *The Editor's Notes*

There are quite a few words that can express the way I feel about the Maroochydore competition. The first that comes to mind is "Frustrating". Flathead are known to fall prey to just about any type of soft plastic lure on the market and I feel sure that I tried the majority of them. Sheila and I form a great fishing partnership but when it comes to fishing very early in the morning, in an open boat, in the rain and very breezy conditions, she is an expert in staying in a warm cosy bed.

The bream were very easy to catch and after twenty or thirty in the morning session, I decided to try for a few flathead. I visited all the places that you would expect flathead to be but all I could catch were trevally. Now normally my Giant Trevally (Not GIANT big, but Giant by name) would have clinched the prize in the normal competition but our beloved Weigh-Master made a few changes that would sort the men out from the boys or maybe I should say from the ladies. I caught at least twenty Trevally and then to top it all off I also caught a big (not Giant) Estuary Cod which were disallowed in the "RESTRICTED" competition. This competition was all about the angler's skill in catching Bream, Whiting and Flathead, which made it very interesting because any other species of fish would be seen as bycatch and would not be allowed in the competition.

I mentioned to Richard Patterson exactly where I had been catching these Trevally and it seemed pointless to continue if the fish were not eligible for the competition so I moved on to another spot where I finally caught a legal Flathead. I was so happy that my heart was pounding with excitement because I was sure that nobody else had caught one.

I could not wait to tell Richard P that I had finally caught the winning Flathead when I heard him call me on the radio. Richard then told me that Tina, (that \*^&^%\$%^\* very accomplished fisherperson) had just caught a 2.55Kg Flathead in the same spot where I had been catching all the trevally. I must admit that Tina was extremely gracious by not rubbing in in when I returned with my tail between my legs.

It was great to see all of the fish being weighed in and it was also good to see that most of the competitors took good care of the fish so that they could be returned to the river. There were a few Bream kept for the pot and they too were kept in pristine condition to be enjoyed as a heathy and tasty meal.

I always enjoy the trips away and Maroochydore is just one of the great venues where we can get to know the other members of the club during a hearty meal in the pub or while sitting on the shores overlooking the calm waters of the inland lagoon.

I did notice that many of the bungalows have been upgraded to include new stove tops cutlery electric jugs and in some cases new beds in a new configuration and I must congratulate the management for providing excellent service and a clean and sweet smelling environment.

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There are a couple of monthly competitions where people can test their skill by targeting a selected species and June is normally scheduled as a Bream and Pearl Perch competition. This is mainly because this is the time where both species can be found in abundance. There is a certain amount of luck involved in catching fish and without disrespect to the accomplished fisherpersons, you can basically cast a worm out into the river, passage or ocean and catch something. There is also a fair amount of skill involved when you target a specific fish but to be successful in catching a specific species, it really helps if you know something about the species you are targeting. Years of experience and learning will help you to identify specific areas where you might find your quarry but there are also many other aspects that play a very important part like tides, time of day, position of the sun and the moon also have a massive effect on the fish themselves.

You may well ask why the Weigh-Master makes life so difficult by selecting a specific species but it makes life a little more interesting to see how many of us can actually catch the targeted species.

