

FISH 'N' TIPS



June 2023



President's Report

Hello Everyone,

This is only a short report to say hello and welcome you all to Winter. The weather has been relatively good for the fishermen of late. And congrats to those of you who have managed to get a good catch, and a few new records have been achieved recently. You will have to read the whole newsletter to find the Weighmaster's Report.

Unfortunately we had to postpone our Pebble beach competition for two weeks but a much better tide and Moon should prove to be beneficial in a better catch on the day. A flyer will be out shortly or check the Website for more details on Breakfast and lunch at Pebble beach.

Julie and I have quietly slipped away to have a bit of R and R down to the Gold Coast for a week and then I shall go to Evans Head again with a few members for a mid year fishing trip which we trialled last year with great success in the colder months.

To all those that have been unwell or having operations, we wish you well and a speedy recovery, and a Happy Birthday for those in the month of June.

Thank you again to all those members involved in May's BBQ as they are still proving to be very popular although chilly.

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Editor's Notes

Hi Everyone,

So, here we are already half-way through another year, and a few competitions running currently.

Don't forget the Bream and Pearl Perch comps run until the 23rd June, at which time the Flathead comp will take over until late July. At least during the flathead comp you can still weigh in your other catches. There are a couple of pages on flathead ID further into this newsletter.

It's a pity there were no women who weighed in fish during May, not for want of trying, I should say.

Let's hope the bream and flathead are obliging for us.

Just a few photos sent in this month, so thanks to Steve Bruce and John Casey for those.

And Congratulations to John Casey on recently breaking the club record for Tailor. Photo in this newsletter. (Commiserations to Richard P on the loss of that record after only a short time).

Welcome back to the club to Marg Langley and Chris Kneller, not really new members, just re-joined after a short absence.

That's about it from me, just remember there is no BBQ afternoon for June or July - so the next BBQ will be held on Sunday the 27th August at 3pm.

Alison

Send your contributions to me at

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Front page photo

This month sees Steve Bruce on the front page with a 65cm Flathead, caught in the Passage in late May.





Weighmaster's Report

Monthly Report for May 2023

Total No of fish Weighed in — 93

Richard Holmes—Weighmaster

Men's inshore (47 fish weighed in)

Place	Name	Points
Winner	John Casey	77
2nd	Ron Winnett	68
3rd	Michael Phillips	30
4th	Bruce Carey	15
5th	Trevor Bourke	15
6th	Amrat Chauhan	10
7th	Vic Herring	7
8th	Coll Callander	1

Men's Offshore (46 fish weighed in)

Place	Name	Points
Winner	Michael Phillips	176.2
2nd	Amrat Chauhan	109.475
3rd	Jim Urquhart	97.75
4th	Keith Kable	73

Lucky Draw

Name
Coll Callander



Weighstations

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

Please call before turning up on their front door step with a bucket of smelly fish.

Richard Holmes (weighmaster) - Bongaree 0419 668 751

Ron and Carole - Bongaree 0418 881 419

John & Jillian - Bongaree 0417795584

Keith and Julie - Sandstone Point 0419 644 709

New Club Record

Congratulations to John Casey, who has broken the club record for Tailor. Weighing in at 1.88kg, and caught during May off Pebble Beach.

John also caught, during May, a 6.78Kg Cobia off Cook's Rocks.



John Casey with his new record Tailor



John's 6.78 kg Cobia ,or Black Kingfish, caught Cook's Rocks area early May.



Target-a-species month long competition

Inshore (Bream) & offshore (Pearl Perch) comps

26 May—23rd June

There is still plenty of time left in this competition, so make sure you get your bream and/or pearl perch registered with Richard or John before the 23rd June to be in to win.

The annual Bream and Pearl Perch month-long competition starts on the 26th May and goes to the 23rd June this year. Which means, for anyone who is not familiar with this comp, that you can only weigh in Bream in the inshore comp, and Pearl Perch in the offshore comp between these dates. You can still catch and keep any other (legal) fish, but you can't weigh them in.



Bream



Pearl Perch

Flathead Month-Long Competition

Friday 23rd June – Friday 28th July 2023

This annual comp runs from the 23rd June til the 28th July this year, and unlike the Bream/Pearl Perch comp, it runs at the same time as the normal monthly fishing comps, with its own prizes and presentation. So you can still catch and weigh other fish like you do each month.

How Well do you Know your Flathead?

Dusky Flathead

The Dusky Flathead can almost be thought of as a different species, as it has its own set of take size and possession limits, separate to all other flathead, and they are often mis-identified.

The Dusky is also more likely to be the flathead caught in our waters, although the others are definitely out there.

The pectoral fins on the Dusky are densely spotted with brown, and there is a **large dark blotch** on its tail. There are **no** yellow markings on its tail.

There is a **40cm minimum take size, and a 75cm max.** The possession limit is 5 (which is not included in the combined limit for all other flathead).

There is a popular misconception, too, that Dusky's change sex as they age. Their sex is determined at the juvenile stage, and most of the Dusky Flathead that people catch are more likely to be female, owing to the larger proportion of females to males in the sea.

It's All About the Tail



This is a Dusky Flathead. The fish, that is, the other is a Trevor.



And this is a Dusky tail. Note the dark blotch.

How Well do you Know your Flathead

It's All About the Tail - continued

Bartailed Flathead - Minimum take size 30cm

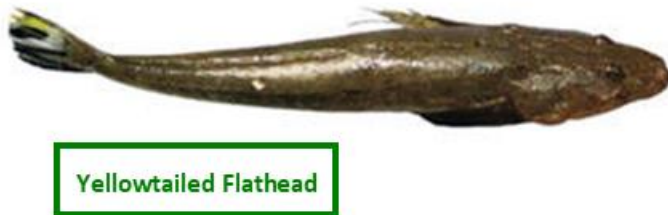


Bartail flathead have a **yellow blotch in the middle** of the tail (see right)

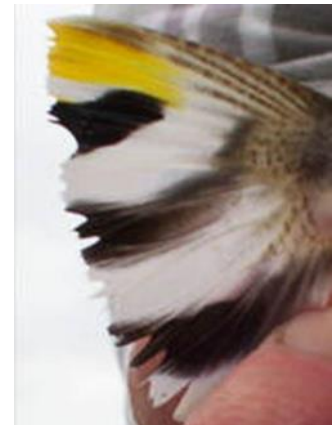


Bartailed Flathead Tail

Yellowtailed Flathead - Minimum take size 30cm



Yellowtail Flathead tail is whitish with 3 or 4 horizontal dark bars and a **yellow blotch along the top edge** of the tail (see right)



Yellowtailed Flathead Tail

Northern Sand Flathead - Minimum take size 30cm



Northern Sand Flathead tail is whitish with a series of dark horizontal streaks that narrow toward the top. There are **no** dark blotches and **no** yellow patches on the tail.

There are many varieties of flathead, so if in doubt, check official ID charts or websites.

There is a combined possession limit of 5 for all flathead, which does not include the Dusky, they have their own possession limit, also of 5.

Upcoming Events

Veteran's Memorial Competition

Pebble Beach

Monday 19th June



Some keen anglers at Pebble Beach

This competition is now known as the Veteran's Memorial Beach Competition.

It is held at Pebble Beach, off Oxley Place, Sandstone Point.

A cooked breakfast is available between 6am and 6.30am. The competition will commence at 7am and run til 11am.

Weigh-ins accepted until 11.30, after which, there will be a sausage sizzle and the presentation.

Lawn Bowls Afternoon Solander Bowls Club Banksia Beach

Sunday 25th June

Bowling will start at 1pm, but be there earlier to get into teams. Thongs or official bowling shoes need to be worn, No bare feet.

We should be all wound up by 3pm, by which time food will be served inside the club. This is not a BYO venue, so you will need to purchase your drinks at the club bar. (And don't forget to take some cash for raffles.)

Pumicestone Boat Fishing Comp

Tuesday 18th July

This proved to be a popular comp last year, and we have 2 planned for this year.

Details will be available soon.

Christmas in July

Woorim Golf Club,

Saturday 29th July

This is also a popular event, make sure you have your name down for this one.

Details will be available soon.

Raffles

Our Thursday night raffles at the RSL Club are continuing throughout this 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. Then the draw will be just after 7pm in the Sports Bar.

The roster for June & July is:

15th June - Sue & Peter Ledger and Viv & Steve King

22nd June - Sue & Peter Ledger and Viv & Steve King

29th June - Vera Sipovac & Angie Stenning and Tony Maatouk & Steve Burns

6th July - Robyn & Trevor Bourke and Barbara Wicks & Coll Callander

13th July - Robyn & Trevor Bourke and Barbara Wicks & Rob Hinkley

20th July - Patti Varga & Virginia Hannay and Tony Jericevich & Greg Hannay

Closed Seasons

All QLD tidal waters - From 15th July to 15th August - Snapper and Pearl Perch

All QLD tidal waters - From 1st November to 15th December - Spanner Crabs

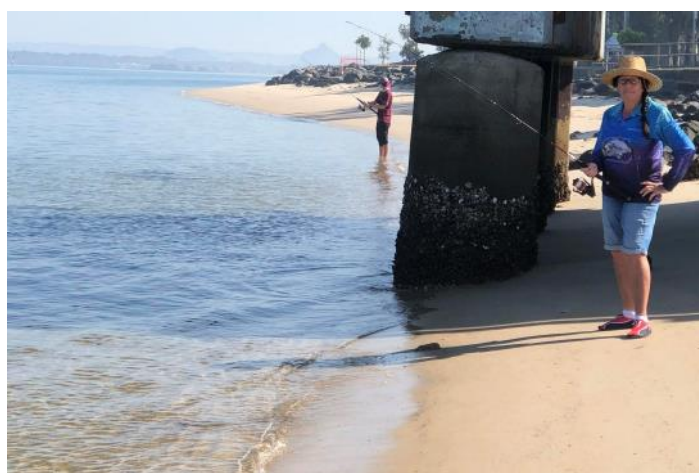
All QLD tidal waters - From 1st June to 31st August - Australian Bass

QLD East Coast - From 1st November to 31st January - Barramundi

There are also two Southern Spanish mackerel closed seasons:-

From 1st to 21st February and again from 1st to 21st March

These dates apply each year, and the east coast southern closure boundary is located south of latitude 22 degrees south.



Good to see the girls out wetting a line during bream month. Hopefully we'll get some weigh-ins.

BBQs at TOC-H



These are held on the last Sunday of each month. Your annual membership fee covers the cost of all BBQs

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 or just use Google maps on your phone.



Amrat and Brian cook up a storm at the May BBQ afternoon



Carmel and Ony hand out burgers to the hungry masses.

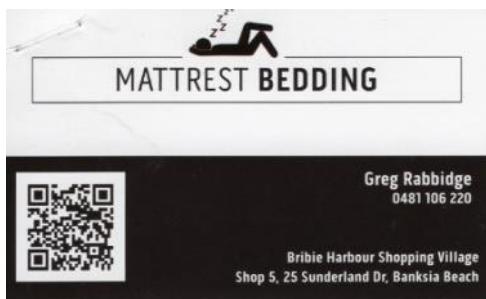
Please note, there will be **no BBQ afternoon for June or July**, owing to other events.

The next BBQ will be held on **Sunday 27th August at 3pm.** This will actually be our soup day .

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 Brisbe 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 Brisbe 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 fisher people. Without the ability to raise the necessary funds, our club would not be able to exist, so through the generosity of the Brisbe 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 Brisbe 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 Brisbe Island RSL Club – we really do appreciate your support.





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