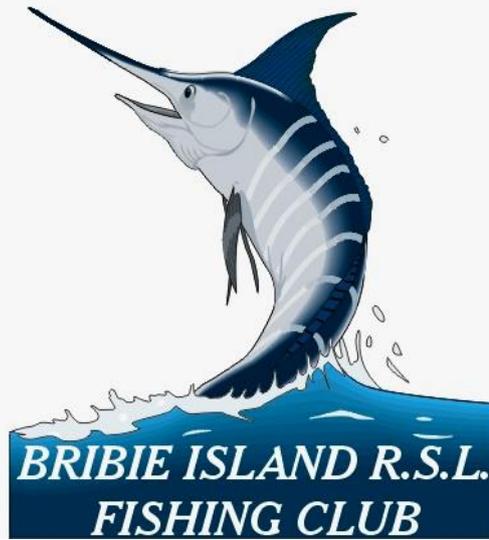


FISH 'N' TIPS



Important Reminders

September Members Meeting

14th September 7:00pm

*Weigh In

Saturday, 26th September 6pm

27th September

BBQ

Sports Club

Fishing Club Web Site:

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SEPTEMBER 2015

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FORTHCOMING EVENTS

9th -11th October Tweed Heads

14th November Somerset Dam Competition

12TH December Trophy Night TOC-House

President's Report

By the time you read this, I will be away with several of our other members for a week's fishing down at Evans Head and we are hoping to catch Snapper, Trug and Flathead. Hopefully the weather will be kind to us.

During August I went away for my 16th trip to Swains Reef, out from Gladstone with a group that included several from the club. The weather was a little iffy for the first couple of days but fine for the rest of the week and the trip home was like a mill pond. We had a great trip with plenty of Sweetlip and Coral trout, some Spanish Mackerel and a few Red Emperor. All in all, a great trip and I have a waiting list for next year's trip..

I am fortunate that my wife does not mind me going away for a week every now and then, as I think she enjoys not having to wait on me hand and foot for a change.

Our month end function at the Bribie Hotel went well and I think all those who attended had an enjoyable evening. I know we did. We are looking to see if we can arrange something else before the end of the year.

This month's BBQ is Sunday 27 September at 4.00 pm. at the sports club. Please put your names on the list or ring Margaret Steptoe and advise her if you are coming or not coming if you change your mind. We will not be there as we have to go to our daughters 40th Birthday in Sydney. Gee it makes you feel older!

The Thursday night raffles are continuing to go pretty well. Thanks to everyone who is assisting and supporting the raffles. As I have said many times, it is the money that we make from these that support our weekends away, our BBQ's and functions like the Bribie Hotel.

Our next outing is in October down to Tweed Heads and by now you should have paid all your monies to Carole or Lynn so if you haven't please do so urgently.

A happy birthday to all those with birthdays in September.

Tight Lines,

Mike Phillips

Weighmaster's Report

The last couple of months have been a bit quiet without Tina and Richard to show us how to catch the inshore monsters but it hasn't taken them long to settle back into the inshore routine.

Richard Caldararo has also been showing everyone his determination and skill in catching large snapper from the shore with this 3.85Kg beauty.

There were 39 fish weighed in for the inshore competition and 22 fish weighed in offshore.

Biggest Snapper (Inshore) Richard Caldararo 3.85kg

Biggest Flathead Ron Winnett 1.5kg

Biggest Bream Tina Patterson .73kg

Biggest Taylor Richard Patterson 1.2kg



The winners for the month of August are as follows:

Inshore:

Ladies Winner: *Tina Patterson*

Men's Winner: *Richard Caldararo*

Men's Runner up: *Trevor Plant*

Off Shore:

Ladies Winner *Kathy Foote*

Men's Winner *Michael Phillips*

Men's Runner up *Keith Kable*

Lucky Draw: *Paul Foote*

Note: Don't forget that during this month you should focus on Whiting for the inshore competition and Snapper for the offshore competition.

BRIBIE ISLAND RSL FISHING CLUB
CALENDAR 2015



SEPTEMBER

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

OCTOBER

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

NOVEMBER

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

DECEMBER

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

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



HACIENDA HOLIDAY PARK

TWEED HEADS

300/37 Chinderah Bay Drive

Chinderah

Ph 02 66741245

Friday 9th -11th October

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

\$60:00 Non Refundable Deposit

13th July (Meeting)

Final Payment 29th August 2015

Ensuite self contained Cabins

Saturday night BBQ included

Please bring own linen

SOMERSET DAM

Saturday 14th November

1 Day Competition



The Editor's Notes

Well, it looks like winter is on its way out, with beautiful warm days, although the mornings are still a little chilly. Chris and Merle have finally returned after 106 days on the water. Merle was glad to be home amongst all of her friends although Chris was happy to be back, he mentioned that he wouldn't have minded living the life of the rich and famous for another few weeks. The trip was really enjoyable and Merle will be talking about Easter Island for a long time to come while Chris is still chuckling over the Captain's recollection when the ship passed through one of the large swing bridges. It was good to see that they both had a wonderful time without gaining too much weight.

Richard and Tina Patterson have also returned after having an extended holiday, travelling throughout New South Wales, Queensland, Northern Territory and Thailand. It was a real surprise to see that Richard still had enough time to catch big fish in each location.

Michael Phillips has just returned after taking some of our members to Swain's Reef for another magnificent fishing trip. We love the taste of our local snapper and pearl perch but there is nothing like sitting down for a magnificent plate of fresh red emperor or coral trout. I pleaded with Michael to show us a couple of his photos and he reluctantly agreed to allow these in the newsletter.



Frank Oostenbroek is continuing to fly to Rockhampton in search of the red fish and will be leaving on Monday, while Sheila is left to look after the house. We all know that the Great Barrier Reef is one of Australia's natural beauties but there really is something special about the reef when you are floating around in a small tinny in crystal clear water over one hundred miles offshore.

It is not just the abundance of the world's best fish or the biggest fish, but it is more about the absolute peace and tranquillity without telephones. You may not see another boat for days and the reef ensures that the water is always calm even if the wind is blowing over twenty knots.



Richard and Dianne Caldararo had never been to Fraser Island but they had certainly heard about its white sands, glorious beaches and magnificent rain forests, so they were pretty excited when they received the invitation from Ron and Marg to join them for a week's holiday in a house on Fraser.

I am not sure if you know but Ron and Marg have been fishing on Fraser for many years and Marg has made a name for herself as really knowing her stuff when it comes to jewfish/ mulloway. Well, it appears that even after many lessons from Marg, Ron still has not caught the illusive mulloway.

I spoke to Richard just before they left and apparently, he and Ron were going all out to make sure they caught a jew to show Marg how it should be done. I have included a couple of photos so you can see the results.



Marg's Jew was exactly 80 centimeters long and weighed approximately 5.4kg

There is just one more bit of information that is worthwhile mentioning. Everyone knows that Ron Winnett is a pretty keen fisherman but I am not sure if you realise how keen he really is. It was just last Saturday that Frank and Ron decided to head out to Cape Moreton in Frank's new bright green boat.

About twelve months ago Ron suffered a significant injury to his back whilst going to the aid of a friend. It appears that Ron fell out of a tree and damaged his back and as a result was not able to go out in a boat for a number of months. Well finally after a few months of pain Frank offered to take Ron fishing in his little green boat after promising to take good care of Ron. Well the trip out took quite some time because the waves were a bit higher than expected and both Frank and Ron became rather wet due to the large waves, the wind and the low sides of the boat.

Last Saturday it appeared that Ron's injury still gives him a bit of trouble from time to time so Carole had strongly suggested that he really should stay home, but Frank informed Ron that the new green boat was substantially larger with much higher sides so the ride would be much smoother and the chance of getting wet would be greatly reduced.

So, much to the disgust of Carole, Frank and Ron eagerly set out on a trip to Cape Moreton with the guarantee of great weather, because they had both been watching Seabreeze intently. At five o'clock in the morning the boat gently slipped into the water at Spinnaker Sound Marina. The brand new Suzuki 150hp fired up first go and our two fishermen set out in beautiful calm water.

As they appeared out from Skirmish Point, they noticed that the wind seemed to be a little stronger than expected but they assured each other that all would be well. They had only travelled out a few kilometres when Ron felt a drop of salty water on his right cheek. Frank too noticed that he was experiencing a few little splashes on his face but the boat ventured further and further out to sea.

It was still dark and although the waves seemed to have become much bigger, our two very keen fishermen continued to head out to Comboyuro Point. The horizon was just visible when they crossed the bar and for a few moments the sea seemed to become a little more calm; that is until they reached Cape Moreton.

It was now daylight even though the sun had not yet risen. It was at this point that Frank looked across at Ron and saw what appeared to be a drowned rat sitting on the other side of the boat. It must have been a funny sight because both of them couldn't stop laughing as they commented that the much higher sides of the bigger boat had kept them so much dryer than if they had been in the little Stacer.

Undeterred, they motored on to Brennan's Shoal but when they finally arrived, they realised that firstly they couldn't stand because the ocean had become rather rough and very sloppy. Secondly, they were both so cold that they couldn't even feel their fingers, so the idea of replacing the bream gear with a substantial sized leader was out of the question so they decided to thread a soft plastic lure onto the existing jig head hook and cast the line out.

It only took a few seconds until Frank felt a large fish on the end of his line but it appears that ten pound trace doesn't work on a twenty pound snapper so Frank wound up his line to find that his hook had disappeared.

The first rays of the sun had appeared and the boys' fingers had almost thawed, so Frank was finally able to replace his trace with a forty pound monofilament leader. This seemed to work a lot better because it wasn't long before a two kilo snapper came on board.

The constant jiggling of the waves made it very uncomfortable for Ron's back even though he was wearing a back brace, so the boys decided to head for home after just an hour. The bay was a little bit better but it still wasn't smooth, so our two fishermen decided to head into one of the canals near Scarborough.

Finally, the water had become calm and the sun was starting to dry out the first layer of soaking wet clothes. With a new sense of vigour, Ron cast his line out into one of the canals and as he was retrieving his line he noticed a big silver flash just under his hook. Now Ron was starting to get really excited so he cast his line out again. Suddenly he felt a strong tug on his line but thennothing!!

Ron realised that something had snipped off his hook so in an instant he re-tied another hook and decided to use a soft plastic prawn. Another mighty cast saw the lure land almost fifty meters away. Ron was now totally focussed and it didn't take long for his reel to start screaming. Ron struck as his rod buckled over. He didn't know what it was but this was a monster. Slowly but surely, Ron fought the fish, but the fish wasn't giving up without a fight.

It took almost five minutes to bring this monster under control but when it surfaced, it certainly wasn't what he had expected. This thing was long like an eel but it was chrome silver in colour, just like it was made from stainless steel and it had massive teeth which looked almost prehistoric. We grabbed the net but this fish could swim just as hard backwards as it could forwards. It was a bit of a battle but finally we managed to get it into the net where we quickly identified it as a hairtail.

Amazingly Ron had caught a brand new species for the club. It was the biggest and the smallest that had ever been caught. Both the longest and the shortest as well as the heaviest and the lightest but certainly not the best looking.

So you see, even when the weather is against Ron and he was suffering in pain while being drenched to the bone in salt water, Ron was still able to set seven new records for the club in just one fish.



THURSDAY NIGHT RSL CLUB RAFFLE ROSTER



SEPTEMBER

PAUL & KATHY FOOTE

BRYAN STENNING

SANDY HOSE

TOM & JULIE GORDON

NOVEMBER

PETER & PAM McGRUDDY

ELVIN & LINDA LOCK

RICHARD & TINA PATTERSON

JOHN & SANDRA CASEY

OCTOBER

MICHAEL & MARGARET PHILLIPS

JOHN & VALENTINA CRUMP

TREVOR PLANT

HENRI PEIRO

DECEMBER & JANUARY 2016

TO BE ADVISED



MEMBERS IN THEIR TEAMS PLEASE MAKE YOUR SELF AVALLABLE FOR THE FULL MONTH.

TEAM LEADERS FOR EACH MONTH TO BE AT THE RSL CLUB TO SET UP FOR THE RAFFLES 5:30PM

RAFFLES ARE DRAWN 7:15PM

IF YOUR NAME IS NOT ON THE LIST AND YOU WOULD TO HELP PLEASE LET A COMMITTEE MEMBER KNOW.