



GOLD COAST SPORTFISHING CLUB



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CLUB DATES

COMMITTEE MEETING	GENERAL MEETING
<u>THURSDAY 7TH JULY</u> <u>SOUTHPORT CLUB</u>	<u>THURSDAY 14TH JULY-7.00PM</u> <u>SOUTHPORT CLUB- BBQ 6.30PM</u> <u>GUEST SPEAKER</u>
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MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS ARE NOW DUE RENEWAL FORMS WILL BE AT THE NEXT MEETING

President's Report



As the winter chills set in and the westerly winds start to blow you know it means a few different species are going to come on the chew. That has certainly been evident in the member catches over the last few weeks. Guy McConnell got a 40kg Cobia on the Queen birthday long weekend and other members have reported getting good catches of Snapper over the last month. Inshore the spawning run of Bream has meant good

numbers of fish showing up around the Broadwater and the Pin. I had a fantastic day on the water with fellow members Darren Borg and Tracey Mammen testing out a few new products from ZMan. We were using a curl tail grub and the shrimp cut down to a lower profile. This produced one of the best days I have had on the water in a long time catching in excess of 140 fish between us. While chasing Bream we hooked up to everything from pan sized snapper, tailor, flathead and Jewies. There is no doubt the ZMan is a real performer with a real strength being its durability one plastic caught 30+ fish!

Once again it has been a busy month for the club with the launch of our new website, a trip down to the Clarence where some members fished the ABT Flathead round, a mixed bag club comp and the Dash 4 Cash # 1. Lots to get involved in, remember that we give away a great collection of prizes and vouchers at the club comps and it is not all about chasing annual points we would love to see more of the members involved in the next club comp. The Dash 4 Cash #2 has had to be postponed due to the Gold Coast Marathon making logistics an absolute nightmare. We will be running this event from the Volunteer Marine Rescue Base at the Spit, the boat ramp there offers a lot more parking and a 4 lane ramp. The first comp saw 22 boats compete (see the website for a full wrap-up) so we hope to top that in the second event. We will definitely be offering a Dash 4 Cash Flathead post this year's Classic so stay tuned for more details and a date coming soon.

Preparation for this year's Flathead Classic is really ramping up and we have managed to secure a good number of new sponsors, we can all do our bit in this area as we are chasing all sorts of prizes for our major draw and raffles. They do not have to be fishing related so put your thinking caps on and tap into your networks, would love to see some digital cameras in the prize pool so if you have any contacts let us know. We are also chasing good deals on embroidery or shirt printing so if you have friends in the business let them know about us. Online registration and payment is now available at our website for the Flathead Classic look for the big red button and get involved in the 2011 Carlton Mid Flathead Classic.

Next Month's club meeting on July 7th is the AGM we will also have a talk on targeting Squid following the formal procedures. I would like to take this opportunity to acknowledge the efforts of the current committee members who have done a fantastic job in the past 12 months. Our founding President Don Woodford said at a meeting not long ago that the best way to get something out of the club is to put something in by being involved. He went on to say you don't have to be on the committee to be involved and I certainly endorse his great words. However if you are interested in being on the committee there is definitely room for a few more in numbers and of course everyone is welcome to nominate for an executive position. July also marks the beginning of a new financial year and membership renewal time. We have done a great job in boosting our membership numbers the challenge now will be to keep the numbers up there so please renew your membership. Club Membership forms are available for download on the website on the membership TAB on the task bar. Why not print one off and have it filled out ready to go with your renewal fees Senior: \$30, Junior: \$20, Family: \$50: 2x Adults, 2 x Children extra children @ \$10 per child.

AGM Info

The Annual General meeting (AGM) is an important event for every organisation. It gives its members, the general public and the committee a broad overview of the organisation's current directions, financial wealth and confirms its purpose. It is also the time to revitalise the organisation through the official engagement of members into key elected positions.

Benefits of holding an AGM

An annual general meeting will assist our club to:

- **Comply with government regulations**

If you are an incorporated association, the legislation in most Australian states requires you to hold an AGM.

Elections

At the meeting we need to validly elect key office-bearers.

Presentation of Accounts

We will present the annual accounts to the members in a standard format.

- **Be transparent**

Whether you are an incorporated association or not, organisations need to be accountable to the public and to their members.

- **Communicate with members**

The AGM provides a good opportunity for the office bearers and the management to interact with the membership - to answer their questions and

seek their views. Ordinary members are able to raise their concerns and participate.

Please note only financial members can vote at an AGM

Website Wrap up

www.goldcoastsportfishingclub.com.au or www.flatheadclassic.com.au

Interesting stats on the new website @ at 16/06/11

Most viewed page: Home page 1224 visits

Total Site Visits: 1340

Total Page Views: 4352

Most Popular Blog: Team TT's make it Back to Back "Dash for Cash".



Good Cobia caught by Guy McConnell and Snapper caught by Rob See.



**FISH OF THE MONTH WINNER
TERRY RYAN
\$50 VOUCHER FROM DOUG BURT'S TACKLE WORLK**

This Bream was caught along the North wall of the Seaway on the first cast of the day. It was caught on a plastic that Cooper had left in the boat.

**PICTURES FOR THE MONTHLY COMPETITIONS CAN NOW BE SENT VIA
EMAIL TO CHRISTIAN BUT YOU STILL HAVE TO BE AT THE MEETING FOR
THEM TO BE COUNTED.**

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**GOLD COAST SPORTFISHING CLUB
MONTHLY SCORE SHEET**

NAME	FISH	SPECIES	CM	SPECIES	CM	SPECIES	TOTAL	TOTAL
Tom Ryan	5	Bream	32	Flathead	60,47	Trev/Tailor	43,45	227
Chris Nelson	1	Jewfish	75					75
Christine Hunt	5	Bream	35.5,30	Flathead	45	Trev/Tailor	37,32	179

COMPETITION RULES BELOW

I've talked with a few people about recording captures and we need to stand firm on the fact you need to register your own captures, the reason we had this in place was to boost attendances and for the presentation of the prizes to the winners.

I know some people have things to do but we only meet once a month and if you get a horse of a fish and you think it's a winner turn up to possibly win the prize.

At present that prize is \$100 for a win.

If that's not a good reason to attend I don't know what is.

Please remember to photograph all your fish on a measuring stick as you can put your top 5 fish in the book for the annual comp. If you think you have the winning fish, get a photo of yourself with the fish for the front cover of the news letter.

COMP RULES

The winner cannot win both inside and outside prizes. It gives more people a chance at winning.

Please remember that no fish is worth getting hurt for or damaging your boat. So please bear in mind that. If it is rough outside then we have the option of the inside comp.

THE PRIZE:

Outside Prize:\$150 voucher at Doug Burt's Tackle World

Inside Prize:\$150 voucher at Doug Burt's Tackle World

If no outside fish caught and only the inside fish are at the weigh in then we have decided to extend the winning prize money .

1st \$150 voucher

2nd \$100 voucher

3rd \$50 voucher

So guys get out there for this comp it gives a lot of anglers a chance to pick up some good vouchers to replace all the tackle we lose throughout the year.

Just another reminder to take some happy snaps of you holding up some of your better fish as it may be the winning fish and we would love to use the photo in the newsletter.

-Explaining the rules, points & handicap system-

Points: All fish must be legal length to count for comp and end of year point system.

There are 2 ways of working the points system

1 point per cm measured or 10 points per kilo, whichever is greater.

ALL TARGET SPECIES ENTERED RECEIVE DOUBLE POINTS

All fish must be photographed clearly on a ruler showing the token colour of that month.

All Marlin are winners when they are the Target species, prize pool divided between winners.

Marlin receive 100 points at other times

You can weigh in 5 fish and only 3 of the same species for the monthly comp to count towards your end of year score. They do not have to be target species.

Handicap: Winner is handicapped 10% of the overall length or weight of their biggest fish for his/her next comp. This is to hopefully even the playing field for the not so great fisherman.

Handicap is reduced by 2.5% after every non-successful comp. You must fish the fishing comps to reduce your handicap.

You must attend the BBQ/Weigh in to register your catch for the comp or for the end of year score. **IF YOU DO NOT PERSONALLY PRESENT YOUR PHOTOS THERE WILL BE NO PRIZE OR POINTS AWARDED.**

The end of the club year champion is determined by the total score of all entered fish caught during the monthly comps.

BOUNDARIES

All fish entered for the end of year points must be caught no further north than the top of Moreton Island and no further south than the Cudgen Bar. The boundary for Inshore to Offshore is the end of the South wall of the Southport Seaway and the breakers out the front of Jumpinpin Bar.

FISH OF THE MONTH INFO

Fish of the month is awarded by Vote of your fellow members and having a great picture is an advantage.

You need to decide when you present your photo's: is this a fish of the month or is it a fish to go into the end of year points tally.

It can't be both.

Winning fish of the month gets a \$50 voucher from Doug Burt's Tackle World. And photo in the newsletter.

VOUCHERS

TO RECEIVE YOUR VOUCHER ALL THE WINNERS MUST EMAIL CHRISTIAN THE PHOTOS AND DETAILS ON HOW YOU CAUGHT YOUR FISH .

Here is a list of websites and phone numbers that might come in useful to you.

Bureau of meteorology.	:	http://www.bom.gov.au
Coastwatch surf cams	:	www.coastwatch.com
Buoyweather	:	http://www.buoyweather.com
Fish watch Hotline	:	1800 017 116
SE Qld Boating Weather	:	1300 360 428
Crab Pot Theft Hotline	:	1800 017 116

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