

# FISH 'N' TIPS

**July 2024**



The monthly electronic newsletter of Bribie Island RSL Fishing Club



**Keith Kable -**

**Club President**

## President's Report

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Hello everyone,

Welcome to another great issue of Alison's monthly newsletter. Sometimes I am very remiss at not thanking her for the time and huge effort she puts in to collate this vast array of fishing and sometimes comical facts whether it be rain, hail or shine.

Speaking of that, we have had our share of pretty average weather this last week so hopefully it will soon pass to allow us a clear, fine day for Sunday the 7<sup>th</sup> July. You will have noticed that our normal monthly get together was postponed until this Sunday (Bowls Day at Solander) due to the venue being unavailable at the end of last month. If the weather is still inclement the day will still go ahead but maybe a change on the Bowling program.

Due to this newsletter being put out prior to bowls day you can now see the monthly fishing competition winners and gridders before their presentations for our inshore Bream and Offshore Pearl Perch challenges.

I notice that the Boat competition for the 27<sup>th</sup> of July has not yet been well supported so please have a good look at the available upcoming sheets of interest so painstakingly drawn up by our Secretary and Treasurer. I can only say support these adventures or lose them.

We are still very much in the grip of the Gods with members having health problems, so our thoughts go out to those and their families. Why not just sit down for a couple of minutes and phone a member/ friend to say hello.

I mention also that I will be away from the 13<sup>th</sup> to the 20<sup>th</sup> of July for an Evans Head Charter - being managed by Greg Hannay before he leaves us on a new adventure for him and Virginia to Logan Village for, I suppose a tree change. He is still one short for this trip so have a serious think on this as you only have a short time till we go. You can speak to Greg or myself on bowls day or at our General Meeting on Monday the 8<sup>th</sup> July as normal.

We have a special presentation by Southern Fish Marine on general boating and motor servicing at this meeting so that should prove interesting and informative.

Coll Callander is helping Rotary with a Melbourne Cup and Cruise raffle that we are supporting so contact HB or Coll if you would like tickets.

That's about all from my desk this month so I wait anxiously till we meet at our next events.

**KK**

## Editor's Notes

Hi Everyone,

I would like to start by saying a big thanks to everyone who has helped make the monthly newsletters what they are by sending me photos and links to articles and items of interest. If you don't see your contribution immediately, rest assured I have filed it away for future inclusion.

On that note, also, I would like to remind you all that any fishy photos are welcome – they don't have to come from club events, and can also be from interstate or overseas, and the fish doesn't have to be a monster trophy. It is just for interest in the newsletter. Try to get yourself in the picture with the fish though. If you are going away to any events, photos from those events are also good.

Richard has sent me his results for the bream and pearl perch comps held recently. That is on page 4 of this newsletter, and because we didn't have the bowls afternoon as usual at the end of June this year, the winners of said competitions will receive their prizes at the bowls comp which is now being held on Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> July. So, congratulations to the winners of that fishing comp.

This month is Flathead month, running from 28<sup>th</sup> June to 26<sup>th</sup> July, which won't make any real difference to what you weigh in, other than the flathead will go into its own competition. There will be a separate presentation at the end of the month. All other fish may still be weighed in at the same time. If any new and recent members want to weigh in fish, you can find the form to download on the website, just click [here](#), print it out, and fill out the details, then send or hand it to weighmasters Richard or Bruce by the due date.

Check out the raffle roster for the coming few weeks on page 11, and if you're not sure when you may be on, contact Heatherbell or Ray. The committee members' contact details are at the end of this newsletter on page 13.

That's it for me for this month, so see you at the bowls day and/or the meeting on Monday.

*Alison*

### New Members

Welcome to our latest new member, Graham Miegel, hope the weather is not getting in the way of some good fishing.

### Front Page Photo

On the front page this month is Jim Urquhart, with two pearl perch caught during the recent bream/pearl perch competition.

Send your contributions to me at

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**Richard Holmes**  
Weighmaster

# Weighmaster's Report

For June 2024

The prizes for these two comps will be presented at the bowls afternoon on Sunday 7th July.

## Inshore Bream Competition - 56 fish weighed in

Heaviest Fish		
Place	Name	kg
1 <sup>st</sup>	Ron Winnett	.940
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Richard Patterson	.930
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Richard Patterson	.730
4 <sup>th</sup>	Trevor Plant	.640
5 <sup>th</sup>	John Casey	.600
6 <sup>th</sup>	Bruce Carey	.429

Heaviest Bag		
Place	Name	kg
1 <sup>st</sup>	Richard Patterson	10.320
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Ron Winnett	10.170
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Trevor plant	3.035

Current Record Remains				
Species	Scientific Name	Angler	Weight in kg	Year Captured
Yellowfin Bream	<i>Acanthopagrus australis</i>	Richard Patterson	1.500	2017

## Offshore Pearl Perch Competition - 8 fish weighed in

Heaviest Fish		
Place	Name	kg
1 <sup>st</sup>	Keith Kable	1.735
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Jim Urquhart	1.700
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Keith Kable	1.620

Heaviest Bag		
Place	Name	kg
1 <sup>st</sup>	Keith Kable	6.179
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Jim Urquhart	5.044
3 <sup>rd</sup>	No Third Place	

Current Record Remains				
Species	Scientific Name	Angler	Weight in kg	Year Captured
Pearl Perch	<i>Glaucosoma scapulare</i>	Frank Oostenbroek	4.420	2007

## Flathead Month

Friday 28th June – Friday 26<sup>th</sup> July 2024

This annual comp runs from the 28th June til the 26<sup>th</sup> 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 in all the other fish like you do each month.

Just make sure you specify which species of flathead you are weighing in, it could make a difference to your points.

Northern Sand Flathead, Bartail Flathead and Yellow tail Flathead all need to be min 30cm take size and Dusky flathead min 40 to max 75cm.

Remember to check the tail if you're not sure which one you have caught.



Dusky Flathead tail



Northern Sand Flathead tail



Yellowtail Flathead tail



Bartail Flathead tail



## **Upcoming Events**

### **Wednesday 24th July - Pumicestone Passage Boat Day**

This is the 2nd boat day for the year, there will be another in December.

For the benefit of new members, this is where we gather the names of boat owners who want to participate, and potential crew members, and draw their names out of a hat and match them up. Then we send them out into the Passage in the early hours, and tell them to catch fish.

This has been a very popular event and we finish around 11am with weigh-in and a BBQ, and presentations for winners. If this interests you, you will need to contact the secretary ASAP to have your name included.

### **Saturday 27th July - Christmas in July, Woorim Golf Club, Woorim.**

#### **Change of times for this event**

Dress: Christmas Theme.

Please arrive from 6.00pm. The bar tab will open 6.30pm with dinner served from 7.00pm.

There will be prizes for the best dressed male and female.

Cost: Members \$20.00, Non-member/guest \$55.00.

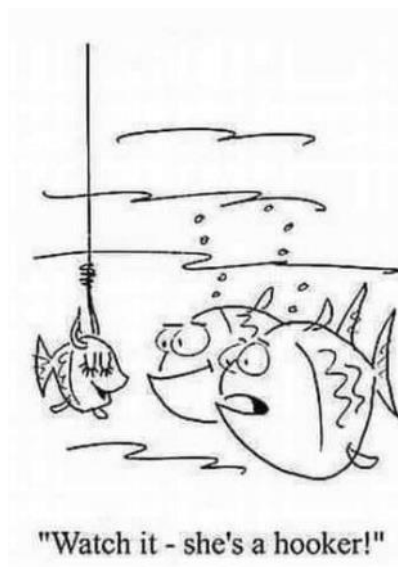
### **Wednesday 7th August - Tina the Musical**

If you are going to this, an email will be sent out to you closer to the date regarding travel details.

### **Tuesday 8th October - Friday 11th October - Rainbow Beach comp.**

This year's Rainbow Beach comp is now a 2-day comp. Three nights are booked at the Big4 Carlo Point.

A Thai food van will be at the caravan park Wednesday night the 9th, and Rainbow Sports Club is booked for our club dinner Thursday 10th.



## *Fish Monitoring*

The Queensland Government's Department of Agriculture and Fisheries is looking for volunteers to donate fish frames to help with the monitoring of data, to find out the age and sex and other information of the fish you catch and keep.

If you think you might be interested in contributing to this worthwhile program, read the small piece below, from their newsletter "Catch News", and then click on the link supplied to find out more.

*Our Keen Angler Program collects fish frames from fishers to help monitor some of Queensland's key fish stocks.*

*Fishery Monitoring staff processed more than 4,200 fish frames donated via the program last year.*

*The main species contributed were saddletail snapper (large-mouth nannygai), common coral trout, Spanish mackerel, sand whiting, yellowfin bream, snapper, pearl perch, red emperor, and spotted mackerel.*

*Valuable data, including length, age, and sex, was collected as part of routine monitoring.*

[Learn more about our program and how to get involved.](#)



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## Random Photos



Trevor Plant holds up a good Snapper and a Tailor from back in June.



Trevor's catch from early June of Snapper, Tailor, Bream and Flathead.



Keith shows off two Pearl Perch from a recent fishing trip with Jim Urquhart.



Denis Shoecraft with a nice Cobia he caught while in Yeppoon recently.



## The Northern Territory's Million Dollar Barra Winner

You may have heard about the young man from Katherine who won a million dollars a few months ago by catching a tagged Barramundi. The competition is open to everyone, so check out the details [here](#) to find out more about it.



Katherine local Keegan Payne has won the top prize in the NT's Million Dollar Fish competition.

## Qld Fishing 2.0 app updated with new zoning

The FREE Qld Fishing 2.0 app has been updated with new zoning for the Great Sandy Marine Park, which came into effect on 21 May. Click or tap the link to [update to the latest version of the app](#)



Keith & Jim's winter sunrise

## Tips for Anglers

This is another of BCF's Tips for Anglers, and this month we look at lures.

Shamelessly taken from the BCF catalogues and website, I make no claims to anything you might read in these articles.

### Choosing the right Lure Colours

- Colours will change at different depths in the water. E.g. the colours red, orange and yellow become grey after going down around 25 feet whereas blue doesn't start becoming grey until around 250 feet.
- A general rule of thumb is to use a natural colour in clearer water to mimic the baitfish in the area. In dirty water, a bright or even a very dark coloured lure will draw more attention. If you are fishing at night, darker coloured lures will cast a shadow to draw the fish in.



### Metal Lures

Metal lures look pretty simple, but choosing the correct one for the target species is key...

**Metals/Slugs/Chromies** can be fished using a few different techniques. A long cast and a high-speed retrieve is most popular when site casting schools of fish, such as Tuna, GT's, Tailor and Mackerel. Slugs can also be dropped to the bottom and vertically jigged, imitating the action of a fleeing baitfish.

Beach Fishing - Use 20-80kg slugs

Offshore Fishing - Use 40-80kg slugs

- Sometimes using a smaller profile slug can get you the bite when larger sizes aren't working.
- If the lure has a shine or reflection to it, then it will more than likely catch fish.
- Mackerel love a fast retrieve!

Sometimes it pays to let your metal lure sink for a few seconds before quickly retrieving it, as sometimes the fish are sitting under the bait school.

**Vertical Speed Jigs** are long, heavy, pencil shaped lures. They are designed for deep offshore fishing, and for one purpose, to be retrieved as quickly as possible with an extremely tiring jigging action that will push your body to the limit. These lures are dynamite on species such as Kingfish, Amberjack and Samson fish.



## 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 Sports Bar.

### The roster for July and August is:

11 July - Ali & Vic Herring with Sharon & Roley Cook

18 July - Ony & Loris Roubin with Trevor Plant

25 July - Ray & Heatherbell with Diane Mischyszyn

01 August - Therese Lee & Steve Bruce with Diane and Peter M

08 August - Therese Lee & Steve Bruce with Zeny & David Francis

## Club Merchandise for sale

Sandy has a selection of items, listed below, available for sale to members. You can contact her on 0448242448 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

If you wish to have a photo of your choice screen printed onto a stubbie cooler, this can be done for an additional \$5.00 each. Please see Keith for details on this.



Steve Bruce and Heatherbell model the new long-sleeved shirts

## *Did You Know...?*

*Here are some more fun facts for you — this month, **Stonefish***

- **The Stonefish** holds the dubious distinction of being the most venomous fish in the sea. Its venom is extremely potent and can cause excruciating pain, tissue damage and even death in humans.
- One of the most distinguishing features of **Stonefish** is their spines, which are sharp and venomous located on their dorsal fin and can deliver a nasty sting when stepped on or brushed against.
- **Stonefish** are ambush predators, burying themselves in the sand or hiding among rocks and corals, patiently waiting for their prey to come close and then strike with lightning speed to capture their unsuspecting victim.
- **Stonefish** have amazing camouflage abilities, blending seamlessly with their surroundings. Their mottled appearance, resembling rocks and coral, makes them almost invisible to both predators and prey.
- **Stonefish** can alter their colouration and texture to match their surroundings. This remarkable ability allows them to remain concealed and lie in wait for passing prey to ambush.
- If a **Stonefish** loses its spine, it has the ability to regenerate a new one. This biological adaptation helps them defend themselves and ensures their survival.
- **Stonefish** are generally docile and would rather remain hidden and undisturbed. However, if they feel threatened or provoked, they will defend themselves by delivering a powerful venomous sting.
- **Stonefish** are primarily found in the coastal regions of the Indo-Pacific, including the waters of Australia, Asia, and the Pacific Islands. They prefer shallow waters with sandy or rocky seabeds.

*Watch this space for more life-changing fishy facts.*



## 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 and if you have never been there before, you can find TOC H at 36 Banyas St, Bongaree. (Go down the grassy slope).

A map is available on the website at [www.bribiersfishingclub.com/monthly-bbqs.html](http://www.bribiersfishingclub.com/monthly-bbqs.html) or just use Google maps on your phone.

There is no BBQ for July owing to other club events, so the next BBQ will be held on **Sunday 25th August at 3pm**. This will be our soup day.

### Closed Seasons

A reminder that the annual bass season closure (QLD) runs from 1 June to 31 August (inclusive). This only affects rivers, tidal and estuary Bass. Lakes, dams, stocked impoundments are unaffected by this closure.



### Committee Members 2024

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## 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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