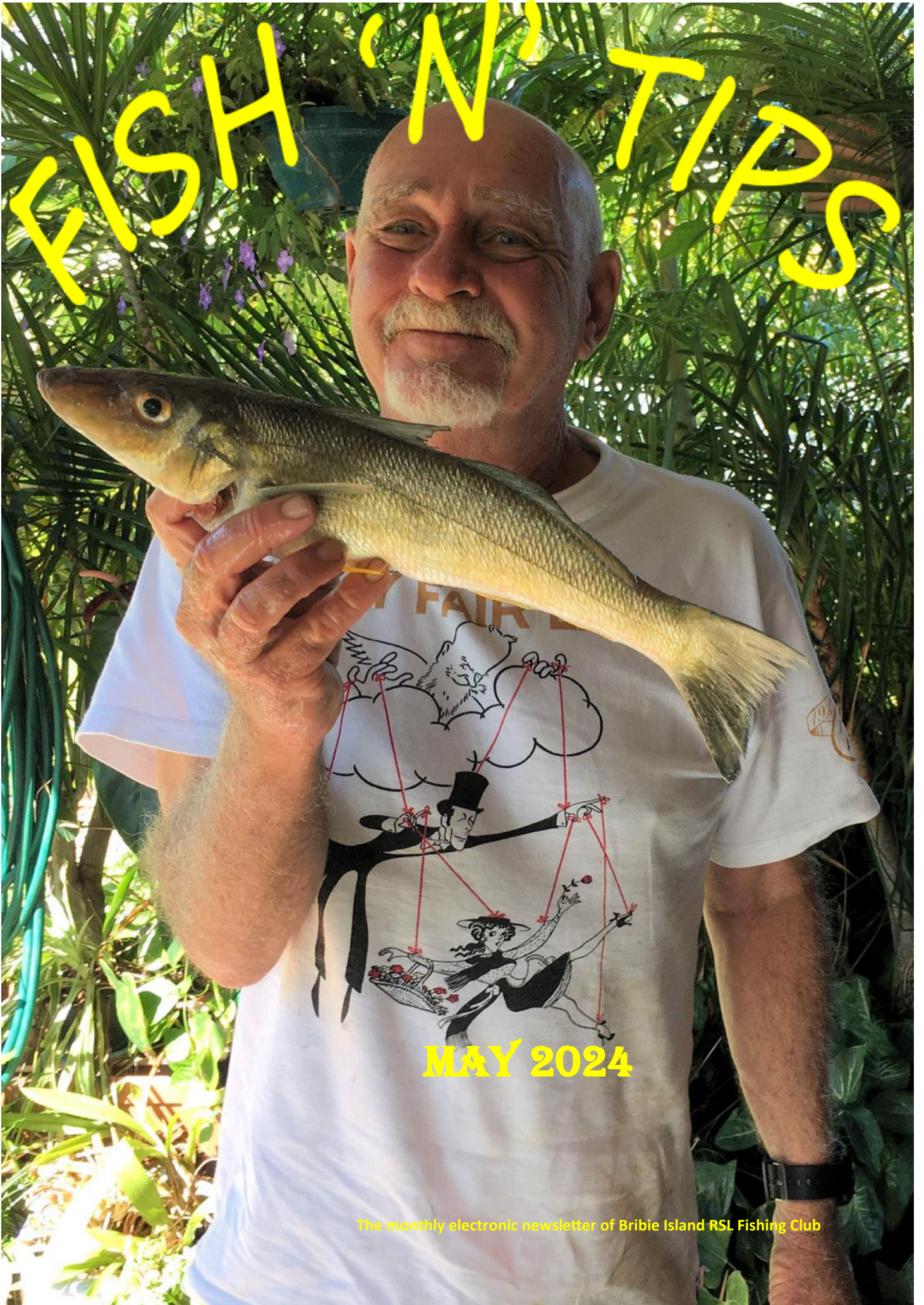


# FISH 'N' TIPS



MAY 2024

The monthly electronic newsletter of Bribie Island RSL Fishing Club



**Keith Kable -  
Club President**

## President's Report

**May 2024**

Hello everyone,

After such a great start to her newfound job in the club in Social/catering we now say, see you in 5 to 6 months Hilary and Allan Woodward, as you venture off in finishing your caravanning around Australia. I am sure with her literacy skills it won't be long before we see a report on their progress.

You may not notice Mike and Margaret Philips' smiling faces around either as they are off to Canada for another trip away and speaking of which, Julie and I are sneaking away ourselves over to Fiji and Vanuatu for 12 days. I leave you all in the capable hands of the committee.

I believe Carmel has had her neck brace removed so hopefully all goes well on her recovery.

Welcome to some new members Peter and Diane M from Caboolture who already have dined with us on raffle nights at the RSL, and I am sure as and when this weather clears long enough for a decent fish, they will be on the fish chase.

My fishing buddies Trevor B and Jim U have both returned from trips away with their wives so they will be looking for some fishing partners while I'm away.

Maroochy trip is fast approaching, and I am sorry to miss the fishing and social camaraderie but good to see the newbies who are going.

Please make sure you ring Heatherbell to book a seat at the dining table at Botanic while Hilary and I are away. This I reiterate is important if you don't want to miss out.

I won't bore you any longer with my ramblings so remember to check out the Secretary's list at the meetings and BBQs and stay safe and well.

**KK**



## Editor's Notes

Hi Everyone,

A couple of big competitions happening this month, so make sure you keep up to date with what's going on if you are attending or entering in any. Maroochydore and Pebble Beach, to mention two, and at the end of the month the Bream and Pearl Perch month-long comps get under way. There is a page about this further into this newsletter, but this is where you can only weigh in certain fish during the month.

ANZAC day at the RSL went well by all accounts, and being a Thursday, it just happened to be our Raffle night. Heatherbell will let us know at the meeting just how much we made that day, but we did well, and sold 10 seafood raffles.

Many thanks to all who have contributed to this month's newsletter (and all of them, of course). Thanks to Keith for the ANZAC Day photos, and Mike for his crabs, and Angie for the group photo from the morning tea. Thanks to Heatherbell for the Mother's Day raffle pics with the basket. Heatherbell puts in a lot of work on these bonus raffle baskets, the Mother's Day and also the Easter Bunny one, they are really beautiful.

Big thanks too, to Bruce and Trevor P for your photos and the article on the Killer Crab.

This is where I remind everyone that if you have photos taken with your latest catch, or even if it is an old pic from years ago, please send them to me and I'll see that they get into the newsletter. It certainly helps make my job a bit easier and helps with a more interesting newsletter. So, while you're attending the upcoming comps, remember to take some photos that you can send to me. I can definitely use them here.

That's it from me for this month, til next month,

*Alison*

### New Members

Welcome to Peter and Diane Mischyszyn, good to have you with us.

### Front Page Photo

This month Trevor Plant adorns the front page once again, this time with a whopping 40cm whiting he caught from Pebble Beach.

Send your contributions to me at  
[bribierslfcwebmaster@gmail.com](mailto:bribierslfcwebmaster@gmail.com)



**Richard Holmes -  
Weighmaster**

# Weighmaster's Report

*For April 2024*

*Total no. of fish weighed in - 90*

<b>Ladies Inshore - 5 Fish weighed in</b>		
Place	Name	Points
1 <sup>st</sup>	Julie Kable	27
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Alison Herring	19

<b>Junior Inshore - 4 Fish weighed in</b>		
Place	Name	Points
1 <sup>st</sup>	Riley Nguyen	40

<b>Sub-Junior Inshore - 5 Fish weighed in</b>		
Place	Name	Points
1 <sup>st</sup>	Aiden Nguyen	40

<b>Men's Inshore - 77 Fish weighed in</b>		
Place	Name	Points
1 <sup>st</sup>	Trevor Plant	113
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Ron Winnett	90
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Michael Phillips	52
4 <sup>th</sup>	John Casey	37
5 <sup>th</sup>	Bruce Carey	35
6 <sup>th</sup>	Coll Callander	15
7 <sup>th</sup>	Amrat Chauhan	12
8 <sup>th</sup>	Vic Herring	11
9 <sup>th</sup>	Richard Patterson	5

<b>Men's Offshore - 4 Fish weighed in</b>		
Place	Name	Points
1 <sup>st</sup>	Michael Phillips	21
2 <sup>nd</sup>	John Wicks	17

<b>Lucky Draws</b>	
Coll Callander	
Richard Patterson	

## ANZAC Day 2024



ANZAC Day display inside the RSL



ANZAC Day crowds in the grounds of the RSL

## ANZAC Day 2024



Steve Burns poses with the Ghost Statues at the RSL.

Steve laid the Fishing Club wreath this year.

Right: A Highland pipe band marches through the RSL



Left: Sorting through left over raffle tickets looking for any winning numbers

## **Maroochy River One-Day Comp**

**Wednesday 22nd May**

This popular annual competition is coming up soon, and if you are going, you will have received a map of the grounds of our accommodation, showing who's in which cabin, and the competition information.

Many people will be arriving on Monday 20th, others on the Tuesday, with the comp on Wednesday 22nd.



Maroochy River outside the bungalows

## **Pebble Beach Half Day Competition**

**Monday 27th May**

This is our on-again/off-again competition at pebble Beach. Hopefully it will go ahead this time. It usually gets moved because of winds or excess weed.

If you have put your name down for this comp keep an eye on emails for more information.



Pebble Beach from the air

## *The Killer Crab*

*By Bruce Carey*

It was a beautiful day at Pebble Beach, it was low tide when Trevor and I started walking out towards New Zealand for a morning fish. After an hour or so all we had to show for our effort was small whiting, some very average bream and one huge long tom.

Another hour passed and still no legal fish, but as it was such a rare perfect day it was just a delight to be out here and to catch some sizeable fish was just a bonus.

We had the place to ourselves, it was so quiet, or at least it was until I heard this yell from Trevor (It was a very manly yell).

Upon investigating I discovered that he was being attacked numerous times by a sand crab which obviously took exception to Trevor fishing in his territory. Normally they just swim away but this one had attitude, you could say this was one CRABBY CRAB.

Once I had stopped laughing I offered assistance to Trev. Although the crab did draw blood, I was quite sure that my mate was not going to bleed out, so we continued to fish.

Trevor obviously was not too traumatised by his near-death experience as he went on to catch a 40 cm whiting and a couple of nice flathead.

I was out fished again but I was certainly entertained. Also, I had the pleasure of eating the KILLER CRAB.





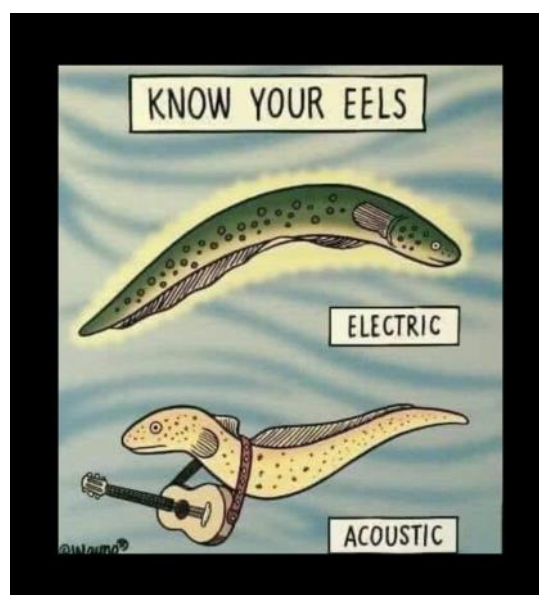
## Clean Up Australia Day

2024

Below is a note from the organisers of the annual Clean Up Australia Day campaign. If you helped this year, you may be interested in some statistics. Go [HERE](#) to see a brief wrap for 2024.



We thank all the amazing Clean Up volunteering community across the country who worked tirelessly on the recent Clean Up Australia Day campaign and all year round to make such a positive impact!



## Target-a-species month long competition

### **Inshore (Bream) & offshore (Pearl Perch) comps**

**24th May - 28th June**

Our annual Bream and Pearl Perch month-long competition starts on the 24th May and goes to the 28th 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.

If you are unsure of where our boundaries for inshore and offshore reach, you can find them on the website [here](#).

Remember, Bream have to measure at least 27cm to qualify (for club weigh-in) and Pearl Perch 35cm.

There will only be one division covering all men, women, Juniors and Sub-Junior competitors.

Prizes will be allocated for the largest fish inshore and offshore and the heaviest bag inshore & offshore weighed in during the month.

If you need more info on this competition, contact the weighmasters.



Bream



Pearl Perch

## *Did You Know...?*

*Here are some more fun facts for you to think about—this month Cuttlefish*

- The Giant Australian Cuttlefish is the largest of all the cuttlefish, and can grow up to 100cm in total length.
- They are experts at colour change and camouflage and can change colour in an instant. Also by raising parts of their skin, they can change shape and texture to imitate rock, sand, or seaweed.
- It has been discovered that cuttlefish, along with squid and octopuses, are venomous, and can deliver a toxic bite. Although they rarely encounter humans, their poison can be as lethal as that of the blue ringed octopus.
- Cuttlefish have three hearts – two to pump blood to the large gills, and one to circulate the oxygenated blood to the rest of its body.
- When cuttlefish are hunting for food, special tentacles shoot out from sockets near the eyes, and pull prey into their mouths.
- Cuttlefish are known as the rock stars of the sea, for their “live fast die young” lifestyle – growing quickly, reproducing early, and dying after only 1-2 years.
- The Giant Australian Cuttlefish can be found all around the southern coastline from as far west as Ningaloo Reef in WA to as far north as Moreton Bay in southern QLD, often hanging out under jetties and reefs throughout southern Australia.

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



*Left:* Keith Kable holds a giant cuttlefish he caught whilst fishing on a charter out of Evans Head in 2023.

## 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 May and June is:

16th May - Angie Stenning & Steve Burns and Rob Hinkley & Barry Parks

23rd May - Barb & John Wicks and Rob Hinkley & Barry Parks

30th May - Barb & John Wicks and Trevor Plant & Coll Callander

6th June - Lynn & Bruce Carey and Angie Stenning & Steve Burns

13th June - Sue & Peter Ledger and Richard Patterson & Rob Hinkley

20th June - Sue & Peter Ledger and Richard Patterson & Max Spencer



Vera Sipovac's daughter Tanja was the lucky recipient of the Mother's Day Basket last Thursday night.



Mother's Day Bonus Basket

## Random Photos



A decent haul of crabs caught by Mike Phillips in April.



A good number of club members met for coffee and cake at Sandstone Point Hotel on a lovely morning back in April

## 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.

The next BBQ will be held on **Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> May at 3pm**, and will be catered by Meg and Brian Johnson, and Carmel and Amrat Chauhan, and will be burgers.

Please note the winter start time of **3pm** for April, May and August. (No BBQ June or July).



**MANAGEMENT: "FISHING BEFORE WORK HAS CAUSED YOU TO BE LATE 3 TIMES THIS WEEK. DO YOU KNOW WHAT THAT MEANS?"**

**ME: IT'S WEDNESDAY???**



### 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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