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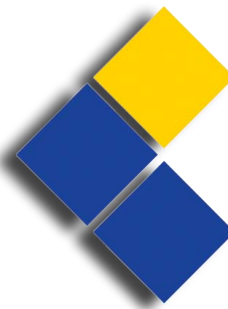
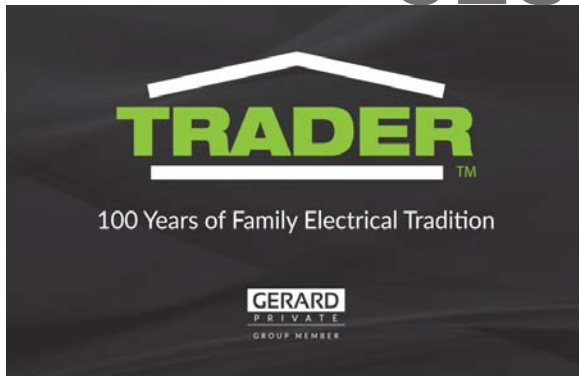
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(Front Cover Pictures)
 (Top) GFC of SA Champion Boat O/25ft 2017-18
 " BROADBILL"
 (Bottom) GFC of SA Champion Boat 25ft & Under
 2017-18 " MICKS WINCH "

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Presidents Report



Welcome to the second edition of the pointer magazine.

GFC of SA President
Ralph Czabayski
2018/19

I would like to wish everyone a great Christmas and a happy new year. I hope in your Christmas break you get to participate in a bit of fishing and catch or tag and release some great fish.

You would have all received your first edition of the pointer magazine. What a great first edition. I enjoyed reading the magazine and I would like to say thanks to Rolf for his efforts.

We have just had our end of year presentation dinner and trophy presentation at the Grange Golf Club for season 2017/2018. The night was a great success with 55 people attending. The food once again was excellent, and the staff was very friendly. I would like to congratulate all the trophy winners again.

We have had our cockle day at Goolwa beach and it was fantastic, a lot of kids have had great fun on the Beach.

Also we had our two Christmas Shows, one at Port Lincoln and the other in Adelaide. Both were attended well and the kids had a wonderful time with father X-mass given each kid a present. (See Photos in this Pointer)

On the 3rd of November GFAA held their AGM and trophy presentation dinner in Adelaide at the Stamford Grand Hotel at Glenelg. For the presentation dinner John Johnston (life member of GFAA & GFCSA), Rolf and Margaret Czabayski, Susan and myself attended. What a great night it was. It was great to see John Johnston at this event. John Johnston is a legend in the game fishing world and he was kept busy all night, with many people wanting to talk to him. As you all know John turned 100 years old this year. What a great effort and I was proud to be sitting at his table. On the night Rolf won two GFAA trophies and I won one GFAA trophy. Rolf won the "John & Anne Brooker Trophy" awarded to the angler who tagged and released the most Southern Bluefin Tuna in Australian waters" and the "Neil Patrick Trophy" awarded to the angler who tagged and released the most game fish in Australia waters. I was lucky enough to win the "Tom Bell Trophy" awarded to the angler who captures the heaviest game fish (excluding sharks) in Australian waters.

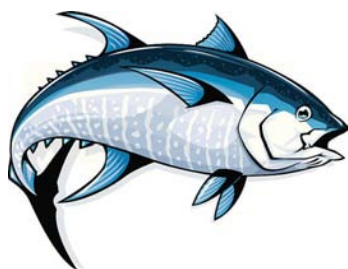
The season has started off slowly in regards to club recordings but as you all know this will start to change so I expect that recordings will pick up and Ashley will be kept busy with plenty of new recordings.

The club is in good shape financially and has no other debts apart from daily bills.

Yours sincerely,

Ralph Czabayski

President



Treasurers Report



GFC of SA Treasurer
Steve White
2018/19



All members – GFCSA

Financial Overview of Club

Club revenues have increased slightly on last year for the same period. Members come and go but overall, the numbers stay consistent so revenues from membership fees are stable. Despite difficult times, Advertising and Sponsorship revenues increased, accounting for most of the increase in the comparison.

Expenses were on par with last year's result, with lower rents but additional outgoings. Function and tournament expenses were a little lower.

Receivables were at \$6k at the end of October with the recent addition of Advertising invoices (shirt sleeve sponsors) but have reduced since then.

Other than day to day running costs, the Club has no financial liabilities.

Year to date receipts totalled more than \$45k compared to \$43k last year. Total expenses at the end of October are \$14k compared to \$14k last year. Interest receipts lifted the current surplus to \$33k compared to \$27k last year. The Club had almost \$190k in cash assets out of a total of \$329k all assets.

Detailed Club financial information may be obtained by contacting the Club Secretary Rolf Czabayski or myself.

Stephen White

Treasurer GFCSA

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GFCSA

Weight Recorder

Hi everyone

We have recently completed our third challenge for the 2018-2019 season with not too many anglers participating I guess due to weather. So far this season we have seen 50 carp. 1 Gummy shark, 1 Catfish, 1 Yellowfin Tuna Captures Recorded and 3 Tagged Blue Marlin also recorded by club members.

Please remember to check our web site and the yearly fishing calendar for all up-coming Tournaments and Challenges.

Hopefully with the weather now improving and holidays not too far away other members will be able to get out amongst some fish.

You can view the current standings for the season so far and the results of the completed challenges (All Water Challenge being the only challenge so far with points recorded towards) in the pointer and also on our clubs website.

That's all for now, tight lines

Ash

GFCSA Weight Recorder

Recorded Standing to Date

Billfish Perpetual Trophy Only listings to Date

Date	Tournament	ANGLERS NAME	Species	Boat	Category	Weight	Line Class	Capture Points	Tag Points	Total
6/08/2018	Yearly	Ralph Czabayski	Blue Marlin	N/A	O25	56kg	24kg	0.00	Tagged	0.00
7/08/2018	Yearly	Rolf Czabayski	Yellowfin Tuna	N/A	O25	53kg	24kg	0.00	Capture	0.00
8/08/2018	Yearly	Rolf Czabayski	Blue Marlin	N/A	O25	56kg	24kg	0.00	Tagged	0.00
10/08/2018	Yearly	Steve Morris	Blue Marlin	N/A	O25	90kg	24kg	0.00	Tagged	0.00

Landbased Leaders

Anglers Name	Division	Capture Points	Tag Points	Total Points
Ashley Brandom	Mens	9,871.00	0	9871.00
Mark Hoepner	Mens	1,323.00	0	1323.00
Lee Van Soest	Ladies	120.00	0	120.00
	Junior	No Recordings		
	Small Fry	No Recordings		

Other Game Species Perpetual Trophy Capture Listing Report to Date

ANGLERS NAME	Species	Boat	Category	Weight	Line Class	Division	Criteria
Rolf Czabayski	Yellowfin Tuna	N/A	O25	53.00kg	24kg	Mens	H&MM

Over All Captures Listing Report Trailer Boat Category

ANGLERS NAME	Species	Boat	Category	Weight	Line Class	Division	Criteria
Mark Snadden	Gummy Shark	Raptor	Trailer Boat	25.10kg	6kg	Mens	H&MM

Over All Species Captures Listing Report Land Based

ANGLERS NAME	Species	Boat	Category	Weight	Line Class	Division	Criteria
Mark Hoepner	Carp	-	Landbased	6.64kg	1kg	Mens	H&MM
Lee Van Soest	Carp	-	Landbased	1.20kg	1kg	Ladies	H&MM
Ashley Brandom	Catfish	-	Landbased	1.00kg	1kg	Mens	H&MM

All Water Challenge Dated 28/7/2018 - 26/8/2018

Criteria Results Listing

Highest Tag Point Scoring Angler			
Angler Name	Category	Division	Tag Points
	O25	Men	No Recordings
	O25	Ladies	No Recordings
	O25	Junior	No Recordings
	O25	Small Fry	No Recordings
	U25	Men	No Recordings
	U25	Ladies	No Recordings
	U25	Junior	No Recordings
	U25	Small Fry	No Recordings
	Landbased	Men	No Recordings
	Landbased	Ladies	No Recordings
	Landbased	Junior	No Recordings
	Landbased	Small Fry	No Recordings
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	O25	Junior	No Recordings
	O25	Small Fry	No Recordings
	U25	Men	No Recordings
	U25	Ladies	No Recordings
	U25	Junior	No Recordings
	U25	Small Fry	No Recordings
Ashley Brandom	Landbased	Men	4102.50 Points
	Landbased	Ladies	No Recordings
	Landbased	Junior	No Recordings
	Landbased	Small Fry	No Recordings
Highest Point Scoring Boats			
Boat Name	Category	Total Points	
	O25		No Recordings
Raptor	U25	418.33	
Highest Tag Point Scoring Boats			
Boat Name	Category	Tag Points	
	O25		No Recordings
	U25		No Recordings
Most Species By Boat			
Boat Name	Category	N0. Of Species	Types of Species
	O25		No Recordings
Raptor	U25	1	Gummy Shark
Most Species By Angler			
Angler Name	Category	N0. Of Species	Types of Species
	O25		No Recordings
	U25		No Recordings
Ashley Brandom	Landbased	1	1x Carp



Glossary =>

Category = (Boats Over 25ft , Boats 25ft & Under & Land Base)
Division = (Men's , Ladies , Juniors & Small Fry)
Section = (Highest Points, Tagging, Capture, Heaviest, Most Meritorious etc)
Species = (Listed GFAA Game Fish, Sharks & Eagle Rays combined)
Game Fish = (Listed GFAA fish only)

GFCSA 2018 2019 FISHING EVENTS

TOURNAMENTS & CHALLENGES

DATES:

CATEGORIES:

Shark Challenge

Starts:- Saturday 0700hrs 13th Nov 2018
Ends:- Sunday 2359hrs 2nd Dec 2018

COMPLETED

All Waters, 24kg and under line classes

Most Meritorious: Shark
Heaviest: Shark
Highest Point Scoring: Boat & Angler, all Categories & Divisions
Highest Tag Point Scoring: Boat & Angler, all Categories & Divisions
GFAA Equipment rules apply!

COMPLETED



PACIFIC MARINE Warrina Snapper Open

Starts:- Saturday 1200hrs 15 Dec..2018
Ends:- Sunday 1600hrs 16 Dec..2018

ENTRY & BRIEFING HELD ON
On 15th Dec SATURDAY AT
WARRINA MARINE

Between
09:00 -10:00hrs

NONE Line Class section (rules are:- legal by state law)
only one fish weighed per angler per day will count

PRIZES AWARDED EACH DAY PLUS \$1,000.00 CASH FOR OVER ALL WINNER

Heaviest Snapper:- Saturday..Winner.. Angler with The Heaviest Snapper weighed
Heaviest Snapper:- Sunday..Winner...The Heaviest Snapper weighed
Winners over all :- Heaviest Snapper weighed Sat and Sun Combined Weight

Tuna / Snapper Challenge

Starts:- Saturday 0700hrs 15 Dec 2018
Ends:- Sunday 2359hrs 27 Jan 2019

All Waters, 8kg line and under line classes All GFAA Species & Rules apply

Heaviest Combined Weight - 1 Tuna, 1 Snapper
Most Meritorious: Tuna / Snapper
Heaviest: Tuna / Snapper
Highest Point Scoring: Boat & Angler, all Categories & Divisions
Highest Tag Point Scoring: Boat & Angler, all Categories & Divisions

WIRINNA TUNA TOURNAMENT 2019

Based from Wirinna - Vessels must

Radio Skeds Range

Starts:- Saturday 0700hrs 15h Feb 2019
Ends:- Sunday 1500hrs 17th Feb 2019

No Boundaries All GFAA Species & Rules apply

Highest Point Scoring: Boat & Angler, all Categories & Divisions
Highest Tag Point Scoring: Boat & Angler, all Categories & Divisions
NONE Line Class section (rules are:- legal by state law)
Winner None line class Boat:- Heaviest Game speices weighed Sat and Sun Combined
Winning Angler:- Angler with The Heaviest Weighed Game spaices
Winning Tag Angler:- Most game fish Tagged by an Angler

Land Based Challenge

Starts:- Saturday 0700hrs 02 Mar 2019
Ends:- Sunday 2359hrs 31 Mar 2019

All Waters, All line Classes, All GFAA Species & Equipment rules apply!

Most Meritorious: Game Fish
Heaviest: Game Fish
Highest Point Scoring: Angler, all Divisions
Highest Tag Point Scoring: Angler, all Divisions

PETER TEAKLE WINES - Blue Water Classic TOURNAMENT 2019



Tournament Base 'Memory Cove'

Starts: (Briefing) Friday 6-30pm 15th Mar 2019
Ends: (Presentation) Wednesday 20th Mar 2019

GFAA Line Class Rules section or a NONE Line Class section (rules are:- legal by state lawOnly)

All Categories & Divisions GFAA Equipment Rules Apply!
GFAA Fish species Game Fish, Sharks & Eagle Rays
Rules, Times and Criteria to be issued at the briefing
Presentation Dinner Thursday 21th March

All Water 'Ultra Light' Challenge

Starts:- Saturday 0700hrs 1th June 2019
Ends:- Sunday 2359hrs 30th June 2019

All Waters, 6kg and under line Classes

Heavies/Most Meritorious Species over all for each line class up to 6kg
Highest Point Scoring: Boat & Anglers
Highest Tag Point Scoring: Boat & Anglers
GFAA Equipment rules apply!

SOCIAL EVENTS

2018 Christmas Party Pt.Lincoln Sun 25th Nov 2018

Location 32a Parnkalla Ave Lincoln Cove **COMPLETED**

2018 Christmas Party Adelaide Sun 2nd Dec 2018

Location the Royal South Australian Yacht Squadron **COMPLETED**

Blue Water Classic - Tackle Night Wed 27th Feb 2019

At the GFCSA clubrooms 477 Port Rd Croydon

Club BBQ April 28th 2019

Club Rooms 477 Port Rd.

AGM Wed 24th Jul 2019

At the GFCSA clubrooms 477 Port Rd Croydon

Presentation Night 2018-2019 Seas Date to be Advised

The Grange Golf Club

Club Notice Board



Simon Gerard

I'd like to take this opportunity on behalf of the committee and all members to thank Simon Gerard for his generosity to donate some LED floodlights for our new back yard of the clubrooms.

Rolf Czabayski

I would also like to thank Star Electrical, Ralph Czabayski for installing the donated LED flood lights and also his employee Ashley North for doing a great job!

TUNA RECAPTURE

Hi All,

In the September Issue we published some Tuna recaptures from various Members and we have received a other recapture Certificate , Member Malcolm Foreman tagged a tuna on the Cabbage Patch (SA) from the Game Boat Spartacus Skippered by owner Ralph Czabayski on the 23th of April 2017 and was recaptured by a farm Boat FV Ocean Dynasty after 288 Days of Liberty on the 5th of February 2018 at Sanders Bank of K.I. The only sad thing is we do not know what the weight or length was at the time of recapture, as it was not recorded by the Farm Boat, FV Ocean Dynasty.



WIRRINA SNAPPER TOURNAMENT

15th-16th December 2018



Please see tournament calendar for all fishing events coming up. Please check your available dates for the major tournament, The Peter Teakle the Wines Blue Water classics on March 15th-20th 2019 with trophy presentation night on the 21st.



Steve Morris, all members of the GFC of SA are sad to hear the loss of your wife and pass on there Condolences.

I and my family wish to Thank the members and committee of The Game Fishing Club of SA for your thoughts and support with the flowers and condolence card that was sent to my wife's funeral yesterday the 16/11/2018. I and my family really appreciated their support and thoughts on such a sad day.
Best Regards,
Steve Morris





Our North Island Adventure

After spending all that time on the boat crossing the ditch we decided we would hire a camper and explore the north island. As we drove off in our camper it didn't take long before we started to appreciate the beauty of New Zealand. From huge rugged mountains, rain forests and lush green mountains that lead to beautiful sandy beaches.

One of our first experiences was a farmer moving his cows down the road. We pulled over as per his instructions and shortly after our car was surrounded by cows. We had to wind up our windows as some of them were getting too friendly and sticking their heads in the window.



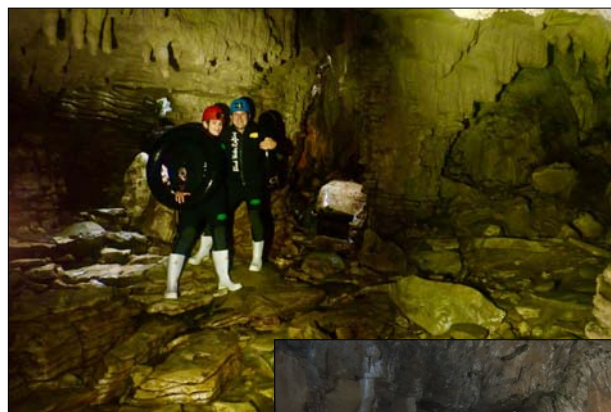
Our first stop was Cape Reinga light house. This is where the Tasman and Pacific Ocean meet. We had only experienced this treacherous stretch of water a few days ago, seeing it from land was a much more pleasurable experience.



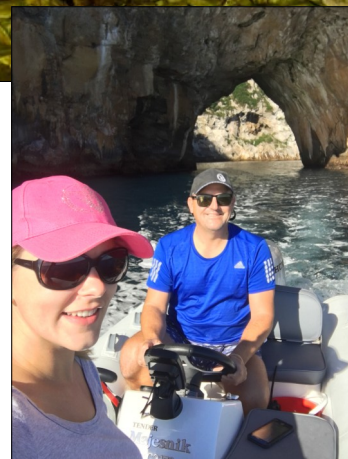
A few days had passed and I thought I'd better try my hand at fly fishing. Having never fly fished before I got some tips from the local fishing store, purchased all my gear and was ready to catch some trout. It only took 30 minutes before I had my first fish on the hook, I carefully played the fish and soon after I landed my first rainbow trout. I absolutely loved it! I was so excited I took a quick photo, released the fish and went straight back to fishing. I had completely forgotten that our plan was to eat one for dinner. Luckily I landed another 4 after that so it was back to the camper to cook our freshly caught rainbow trout. I was ecstatic with my first attempt at fly fishing.



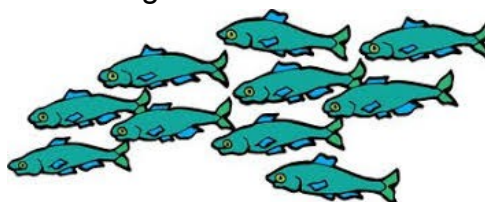
One of our favourite experiences in the north was black water rafting, this is where we would be floating underground on a tube, climbing up waterfalls as well as jumping off them into the pools below. It was truly an amazing experience, floating in complete darkness looking at glow worms underground. We have experienced so many more amazing things however what made New Zealand so special was the people we would meet. We would just say hello, have a quick chat and they would give so much. We got invited out on a complete strangers boats for fishing, got given freshly caught fish, oysters, and much more.



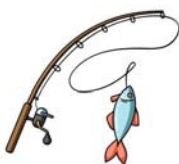
After 5 weeks and 5000km driving around the north island it was time to get back on the boat, so we headed back to The Bay of Islands. The Bay of islands is one place every boaty should see, with its 144 subtropical islands it is famous for its stunning beauty, history, as well as the fishing.



My first NZ Kingfish at 14kg!



We left Opuia marina and had only been driving for 15 minutes when I saw a huge flock of birds working. I immediately threw the rods out, and within minutes we had a quadruple hook up, with only 2 of us on board things got a little chaotic. I was hoping for a kingfish but unfortunately we only pulled up some huge kahawi (Salmon). We pulled out the 3kg outfit and were having fun catching and releasing the salmon. I spotted a king fish chasing my salmon, I quickly rigged up a live bait and within minutes I was on. After a short battle I landed my first New Zealand 14kg kingfish.



We spent 6 weeks out on the boat exploring the east coast from north cape to Auckland. New Zealand is truly a boating / fisherman paradise. It has so many islands, incredible stunning anchorages and many marinas for fuel and supplies. There are so many caves and crevasse that you can drive your boat and tender into and watch the huge snapper and kingfish come up to the boat for a feed.



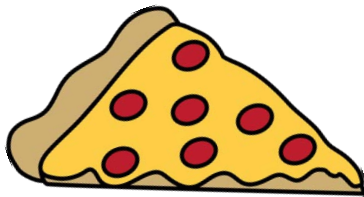
As we would arrive to a new marina our first stop was the local game fishing club. At every marina there is a club, these clubs are massive and always be filled with people. We would sign in the members book grab a beer and get straight into some fishing talk with the locals, finding out all the local knowledge. It surely helped on one particular trip, we landed 14 kingfish over 2 days, the biggest weighing in at 21 kg. We also landed snapper, sharks, Tarakihi as well as a varieties of other fish.

The 2 islands we spent most of our time at was Great Barrier Island and Waiheke Island. Waiheke Island is only 15nm from Auckland and has great beaches, some of New Zealand's best boutique wineries, a number of art galleries, scenic walking trails, and acres of olive groves. We enjoyed driving the boat from one anchorage to the next and tendering to shore to sample the local wines.

Great Barrier Island is 50nm from Auckland and is a place of unspoiled beaches and vast tracts of native forest. Great Barrier Island's rugged, untouched beautiful coastlines, bays, lakes and rivers make her a boating paradise. We spent over 10 days here and had winds of up to 40 knots at times. We never had trouble finding a safe anchorage as it is surrounded by many more smaller islands. We made some great friends here, so much so that we began drinking with the locals. 4pm every day we would join the locals for a few beers and plenty of yarns. They were extremely friendly in sharing there local fishing spots, local produce as well as cooking food for us. The strange part about this was we would be drinking outside the public library, the pub is only open Friday and Saturday, so every other day the library became the local water hole.



There is an anchorage called Smokehouse Bay that is only accessible by boat. It has been built by the local community for boaties and is fully equipped with a wood bbq, fish smokers, hot water shower, an outdoor bath and it even has a wood fired pizza oven. On our last night in great Barrier Gabriella and I decided to arrange a pizza night for the locals, we cooked 30 pizzas as well as some freshly caught local snapper. It was a perfect last night, sitting around the camp fire eating and drinking with our newly made friends.



The next morning we departed Great Barrier Island for Auckland. We parked up the boat and had to leave the very next day as we had a trip to Japan booked. I felt a little sad leaving Majesnik and New Zealand as we have had so much fun in the north island. The only positive was when we returned we would be heading to the South Island, something we both have been looking forward to.

Russell & Gabriella

Game Fishing Association Australia

The annual conference of GFAA was held this year in Adelaide Stamford Hotel in Glenelg. The awards were also given at the presentation evening for the 2017-18 season. Anglers from the G.F.Club of SA were presented with the following awards. (SEE BELOW)



Rolf Czabayski with the John and Anne Brooker Trophy.

Most SBT tagged and released in Australian Waters. (146 Tuna)



Ralph Czabayski with the Tom Bell Trophy.

Heaviest game fish (excluding sharks) in Australian Waters (Black Marlin 506kg)



Rolf Czabayski with the Neil Patrick Trophy.

Most other game fish (excluding billfish and sharks) tagged and released in Australian Waters. (147 game fish)



Left: GFAA President Doug Sanderson Middle: Patron & life member of GFC of S.A. John Johnston, Right: Life member of GFC of S.A. Rolf Czabayski.



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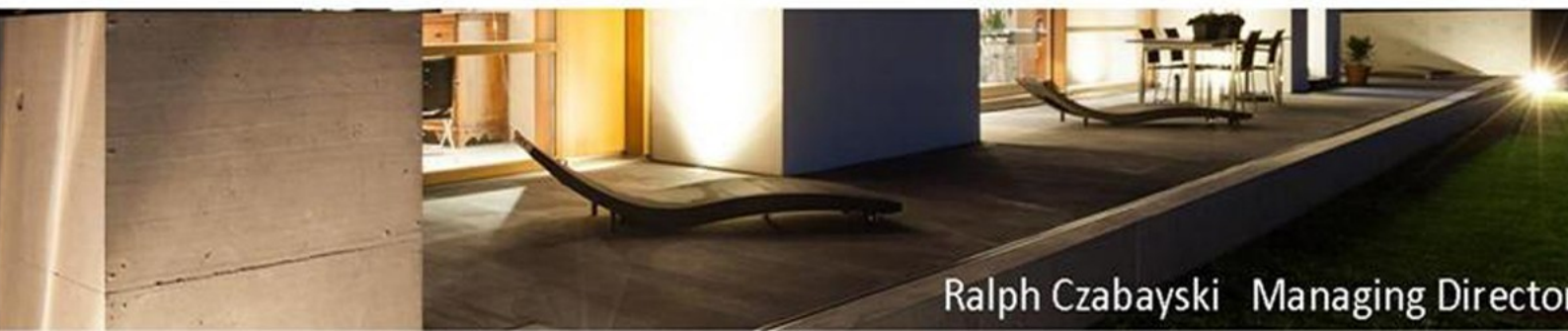
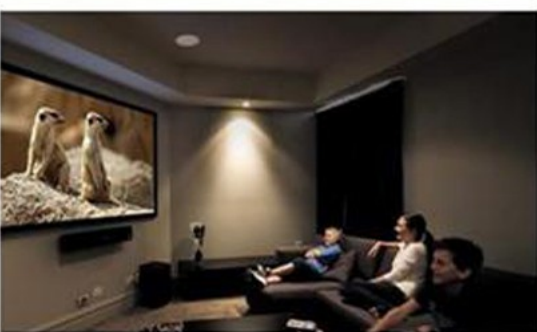
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Goolwa Cockle and BBQ 2018

The weather forecast for the clubs Cockle Day was good, with light winds in the morning and a sea-breeze in the afternoon. Once again, Paul Tobin picked me up on the way thru with his Ranger 4 wheel drive. I contacted new member, David Koschinski in regards to the event. David only joined the club last week and came to my place to join Paul and I for the Club event. We were the first one on the beach at the same place as last year and not long after, us three started gathering some cockles. A short time later, more members arrived including our president Ralph and family with all the equipment, BBQ, marquees etc. on a trailer. It didn't take long with the help of all present at the time to set up camp before we all started to accumulate some cockles. Everyone was told notified of the rules in regards to the fisheries act. 300 Cockles per person of legal size and no more than 900 per vehicle regardless if there more than 3 person in the vehicle. Dale Smith was very quiet on this event; he wasn't feeling well as he suffered a hangover but still turned up with our weight recorder Ashley. Long-time member Peter Donaldson and Family also arrived and so did many others.

Around lunchtime, Sam Roccatti, Graham Bald and other started the BBQ and the first beers were consumed. Lunch was now ready and everyone came over to the marquees out of the sun. All the ladies prepared the tables with plates of salads, bread spices and the good ol' sauces. Everyone enjoyed a very nice feed of various sausages, salads and obviously the parents had a few beers. The kids enjoyed a variety of soft drinks that were on offer, all supplied by the club.



After lunch the wind blew up and the tide was on the way in. Waves were rolling in and made it a little harder to retrieve the cockles. Some of the members started to depart and one new member, Jabez Renco arrived with wife and 3 kids and it wasn't long before the kids were enjoying the beach and the cockling. A little late but hope we see him again at our X-Mas Party at the RSAYS.



Sam Roccatti and Graham Bald looking after the BBQ.

I'd like to thank everyone who made the effort to join and a big thank you to the organisers of the committee, members please put it on your next years calendar and make a big effort to join in next time, as I am sure you will have a good time as we had this year.

Rolf Czabayski



Nothing like a cold one on the beach with mates!





Buckets full! (almost)



Cockle Easter egg hunt.



A panoramic shot of the Goolwa cockling location.



Kids flying a kite!



My Trip with Bob from Gold Coast - Cairns on the 58 feet Game Boat Maita'i



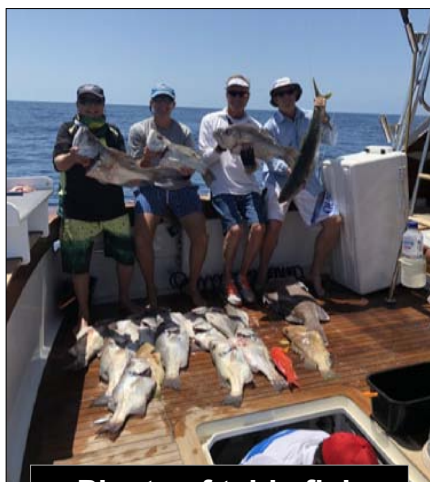
mv Huntress and mv Maita'i at Anchorage.

Club Member Bob Hill rang me to go on a 10 day trip from Gold Coast to Cairns, departing on the 26th of September. I have done this trip now with Bob a number of times. My Son Ralph flew to Brisbane with me only to see Bob's new delivered 68 feet custom boat from the Merritt stable, before his return the next day to Adelaide. Bob tried to convince Ralph to come with us at least for a few days, but he was too busy at work and had to return.

After Bob picked us up from the Brisbane Airport, we had a short drive to the River Gate Marina for a good inspection on the hardstand of Bob's new baby, which was out of this world. What a game fishing boat it was. After the inspection of this beautiful boat, it was time to go to dinner and then retire at Bob's place for a good night sleep. We started the morning with a nice healthy breakfast, in one of the nice coffee lounges on the way, before proceeding to the Southport Marina to board Bob's present Merritt 58 feet game boat "Maita'i", where I had the pleasure of meeting two other friends of Bob, Tom and Brett. Deckhand Tim had the Boat ready for departure and we all wished Ralph a good flight back to Adelaide. Off we went, on our first leg of the journey in calm seas.



**Bob and Mario
enjoying a cold one.**



**Plenty of table fish
caught by the team.**

Bob's mother ship and crew of Huntress left approximately 10 hours ago before our departure. The plan was to meet up at Elbow Point, south of Fraser Island. To get there we had to cross the sometimes treacherous bar, which was luckily kind to us but, can be quite dangerous at times. Not long after we arrived at Elbow Point we saw Huntress at anchor and Maita'i alongside and secured. After a days run, we all were looking forward to a nice cocktail and Bacardi before dinner on the after deck of Huntress.

Day 2. We went bottom fishing and in the afternoon, went trolling for Marlin before we joined Huntress again north of Fraser Island at Rooney Point.

Day 3. After a bit of bottom Fishing we made our way to Lady Musgrave Island for the night, "what a beautiful lagoon". If any of you ever travel in this direction, plan a stop at this island as it is a very nice overnight anchorage location.



Day 4. We travelled north to Keppel Bay Marina, where we stayed the night. The plan was to refuel but we came in too late. We had no dramas as we still had plenty of fuel to get us to our next destination. Brett, the guest of Bob's had to be back at Southport Marina for work so he left the next morning before our departure.

mv Maia'i on the move.

Tom the new club member.



Day 5. We left Keppel Bay in the morning and set course in the direction of Able Point, Airlie Beach Marina where we refuelled and visited a very good friend of Bob's, "Mario" who I have had the pleasure of meeting before. He has the best BBQ oven I've ever seen, (see picture) where he prepared the best tasting ribs I've ever eaten. During the night of eating, drinking and music, Mario opened a bottle of homemade liquor of his and soon everyone had a glass and more. By the time we left Mario's home for Huntress, our mother ship at the Marina, most of us were very happy after a few other drinks on Huntress. The next morning was very slow, you can guess why. After a day's travelling and bottom bouncing for some reef fish, we arrived at Orphans Island, a very low lying reef where we joined Huntress for more cocktails again. We must have been OK by then.



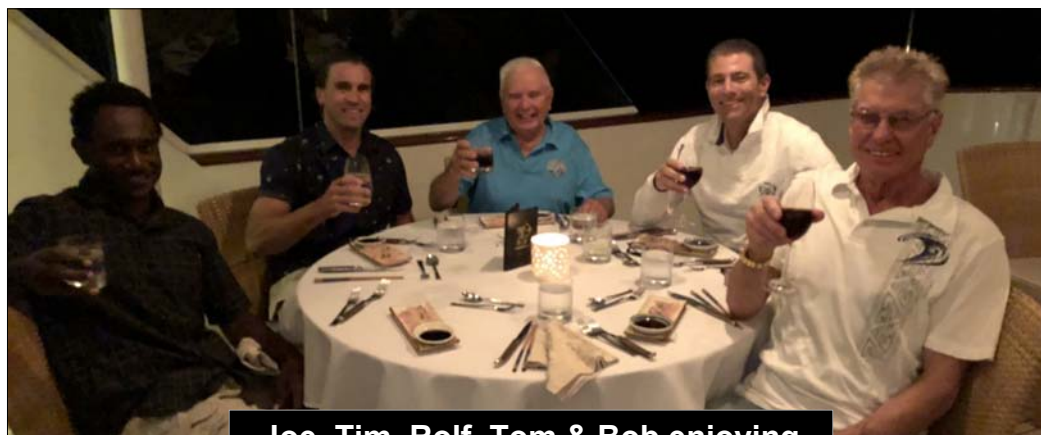
Mario, Joe & Rolf standing by the oven.



Rolf sounded up a school of fish on his heart!

Day 6. We left Orphans Island for more bottom reef fishing on the way to Godel Island our next overnight stop, a low lying reef.

Day 7. We left Godel Island for Nathan Reef and searched for a special fishing spot, where Bob's friend caught a lot of good bottom fish a year ago and passed the GPS marks to Bob. Unfortunately, we didn't see a single fish on this spot, but soon after our master Bob found some good bottom and we caught some nice eating reef fish. The anchorage behind Nathan Reef was very nice and provided a safe anchorage where we spend the night.

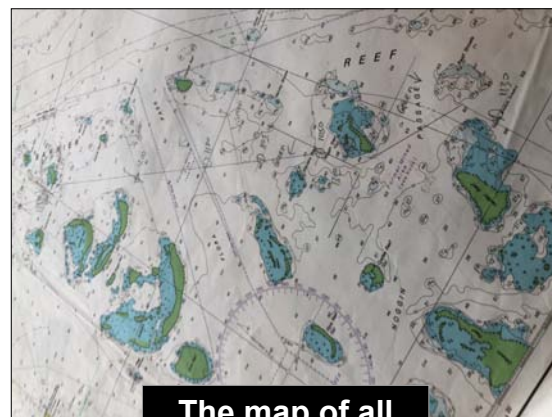


Joe, Tim, Rolf, Tom & Bob enjoying dinner and drinks on the mv Huntress.



Rolf having a well needed nap on deck.

Day 8. We departed again after a nice healthy breakfast to our next destination "Noggin Reef". After a little bit of bottom fishing, we started to troll for Marlin. We had 3 off 130 Penn reels with custom rods to match out with each outfit connected to a special selected Marlin lure, handpicked by our deckhand Tim. After trolling for a few hours, the outrigger clip of the left rigger released with a loud bang and the reel started to scream and it wasn't long before first time Marlin angler Tom was in the game chair and started retrieving line, while skipper Bob backed up furiously. Tom was winding in as fast as Bob backed up and recovered a lot of line. But suddenly the fish decided to take more line with some furious jumps left and right. Suddenly there was no more pressure on the rod. The hook released itself from the Marlin. What a shame, this would have been Tom's first Marlin which would have been tagged and released. The estimated weight was about 200lb. We all had a nice beer and continued trolling with the hope another one jumping on our lures but the rest of the afternoon went with no more encounters and we made our way to Noggin Reef where Huntress was already on anchor behind the reef. We relaxed with a few more drinks on the after deck before we retreated to have a shower and get ready for dinner. The plan for the next morning was to hit the Linden Banks where Bob previously had a lot of success.



The map of all the islands.



MV Huntress in the Anchorage.



MV Huntress waiting for Maita'i to dock.

Gorgeous sunset in paradise after a big day fishing and a nice cocktail.

Day 9. We departed Noggin Reef by 8am in the morning for Linden Banks. As we arrived, there were already a number of game boats there and others were seen trolling in the distance. Linden Banks is only 30 miles from Cairns and can be a hotspot for Marlin. We trolled to the early afternoon with no Marlin to be seen anywhere. Before we made our trip into Cairns. There was no talk of any hook ups on the radio all day. After speaking to Marris Nash on the phone, another club member who was fishing on this day at the same location with the same report of no hook ups on Marlin all day. We arrived at the Cairns Marina, where Bob already booked a Berth for Maita'i and Huntress. We left Maita'i and went for a drink and shower on Huntress. Bob took the crew and his guests out for dinner that evening. It was a short night as I and Tom had to get up at 4am to catch a flight out of Cairns. Tom went to Brisbane and went back to Adelaide. We all have had a fantastic time on board both boats. Thanks to Bob for inviting me on this fabulous trip again.

Rolf Czabayski





Port Lincoln G.F.C.of.S.A X-Mass Party 2018



I would like to thank everyone who made the effort to attend our port Lincoln 2018 X-Mass Function and Rolf for making his House available for this X-Mass Party. I would also like to thank Ralph Czabayski, who through his Company "Star Electrical" donating the of the beautiful meat for the BBQ.

Thanks to Peter Teakle owner of (Peter Teakle Wines) for donating the Red and White wines for the day. the weather was kind to us, giving some sunshine that warmed up the afternoon for us, Ralph flew over from Adelaide with three other Guests and I would like to thank them all for their help setting up as well as cleaning up after the function.

Slowly people started to arrive, after a few drinks and plenty of fishing Storeys then President, Ralph made his welcome Speech thanking all our Club sponsors and Advertiser for their support and then welcomed all that were there for joining us at the our clubs 2018 Port Lincoln X-Mass party and the part was away.

The BBQ was fired up by an expert, Tony, who had two BBQ's going at once so we would have enough food ready for all the Members and Friends that had attended.

We had 26 Adults and 6 Kids in attendance, after that nice meal with an ice creams for dessert, mainly for the Kids!

Suddenly out of nowhere Father X-Mass arrived .Thanks must go to John Werner who got his Brother in Law Peter to help us out as Father X-Mass for the day, he wished everyone a merry X-Mass and happy new Year all!!

All the kids had received a Present from Father X-Mass and by around 7-30pm everyone had gone home.

All in all, it was a great day.

Marry X-Mass and a happy New Year to All. *Rolf*





Adelaide G.F.C.of.S.A. X-Mass Party 2018



This years the Clubs Adelaide Christmas BBQ Started off with a welcome to the members by Steve Morris the clubs past president standing in for our current president who was unable to attend due to prayer commitments.

Steve then proceeded to presented Rolf Czabayski representing the club as a clubs life member to accept two SAGFA Trophies.

One won by the our club for the tagging more SBF tuna than any other affiliated club and one for tagging more game species than any other affiliated club.

Plus presenting another SAGFA trophy won by Ashley North for the individual angler who had tagged the more SBF tuna than any other affiliated club angler, Congratulation to him & the club, well done !

At this point, both Rolf & Steve took the time to announce the passing of John Johnston who had past away on the 29th, age 100 he has been a past president, the clubs patron, a life member of not just the club but of SAGFA, GFAA, IGFA & internationally well respected by the whole game fishing world and he will be sadly missed by all.



John Johnston

The weather was very kind to us on the day, everyone had plenty of food, it turned out to be a great day and the kids where more than happy to see farther Christmas turn up, right on time, to!

I would like to acknowledge and thank Graham Bald, Sam Roccatti for their efforts on the day, Rolf Czabayski for his assistance with the organizing, setting up and selling of club merchandise on the day, great job guy's.

I also would like to thank all those who helped with various other things on the day, making it all go well.

Regards Steve Morris GFCSA Past President & Technical Advisor



Rolf at work selling club stuff





Food is on & Frank is happy



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These kids just couldn't wait to open their presents



Farther Christmas on his way





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We dropped into one of my favourite whiting haunts in 8m of water and had a good haul of 35-38cm whiting when my 200 Calcutta went off on a screaming run. With line peeling off the reel in a straight line towards the shore my initial thoughts were an Eagle Ray, however when the run stopped and head shakes were felt, my thoughts turned to a Gummy Shark as the area we were fishing is not known for Snapper. The fight went on for 15 mins as I was on 10 lb line and I was being extremely careful as I was using light whiting trace and size 6 hooks. I was determined not to lose the fish and was instructing my novice crew on what to do when the fish was nearer the boat.

Colour soon appeared and slowly the fish came to the surface and I realised we had a large snapper at the boat. My crew did a terrific job and we soon had the fish safely on board.

The fish was luckily hooked in the soft part of the lip. On trying to remove the long shank size 6 hook the hook broke in half, so I was very lucky.

After lots of photos and congratulations all round, we weighed the fish and it came in at 12 kgs.

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John Nicholls



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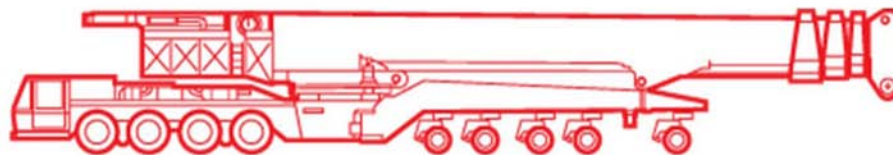


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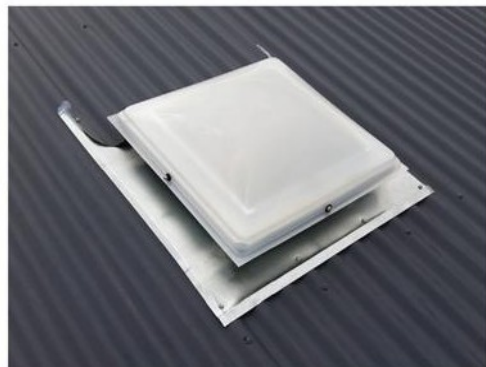


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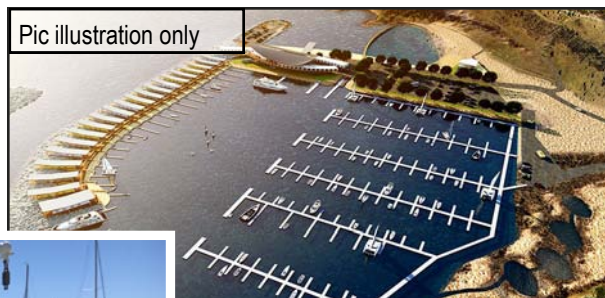
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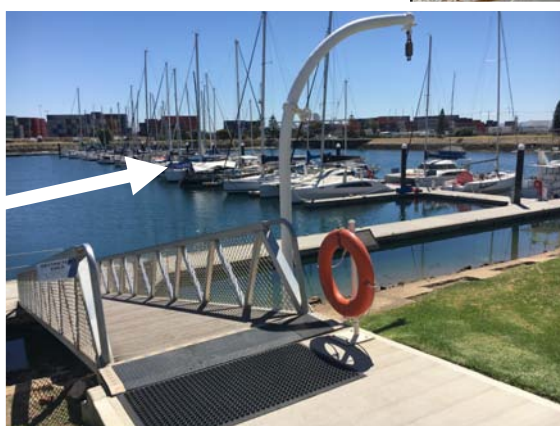
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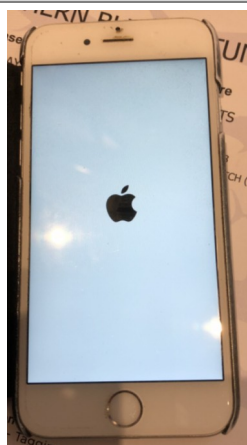
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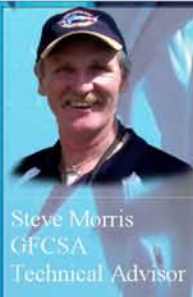
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National Recreational Fishing Survey of Southern Bluefin Tuna

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1. National recreational fishing survey of Southern Bluefin Tuna.

The Commonwealth has contracted the University of Tasmania to undertake a survey of recreational fisher effort, catch, release and harvest estimates of Southern Bluefin Tuna (SBT) and other large tuna and billfish. The survey will be undertaken in South Australia (SA), Victoria (VIC), Tasmania (TAS) and New South Wales (NSW) using varied techniques appropriate to each state as described below.

The survey methodology is based on the 2015 report 'Developing robust and cost-effective methods for estimating the national recreational catch of Southern Bluefin Tuna in Australia' (Moore et al., 2015). Data collection will begin on 1 December 2018 and conclude on 30 November 2019. The survey results are expected to be available by mid-2020.

Western Australia is not being surveyed by the University of Tasmania because the data on SBT catch in Western Australia is collected bi-annually by the Western Australian Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development. The Western Australian data will be included in the analysis and final report of the national SBT recreational fishing survey. SBT are not found off the Queensland or Northern Territory coasts.

A probability-based intercept survey (creel), conducted at key access points in SA, will be applied to assess the catch, effort and release rates of SBT and other tuna and billfish caught by the recreational sector in the state. Given the large number of access points in SA, the methodology applied will be based on that conducted by Moore et. al. (2015), but with a higher number of sampling days as recommended by Moore et. al. (2015) to improve confidence intervals around harvest and effort estimates.

The state will be stratified into regions, with random sampling of access points conducted in each regional stratum. The access points (boat ramps) targeted will be based on those reported by Moore et. al. (2015) and confirmed by a series of experts, to ensure any shifts in the dynamic of boat ramp use since the last survey was conducted are incorporated.

Further stratification for day type will also be implemented, with weekdays sampled at a lower sampling fraction than weekend/public holidays. A seasonal stratification will also be applied, with the maximum sampling fractions applied during peak seasons and a reduced sampling fraction applied in seasons where there is a reduced probability of fishers encountering SBT. Sampling events will occur for daytime fishing only.

The actual sampling fractions for each region and access point will be determined after confirmation by expert interviews on the ramps currently most commonly used by game fishers. Based on the recommendations arising from Moore et. al. (2015), a total of 550 sample days is expected, which includes sampling at Port MacDonnell.

Port MacDonnell will be treated separately, as it is the most commonly used access point to target SBT for the recreational sector in SA. An access point survey will be conducted at this location, replicating the methods proposed for the onsite surveys in VIC, using 'day' as the PSU and a similar sampling fraction to that proposed for the Portland boat ramp in VIC.

National Recreational Fishing Survey of Southern Bluefin Tuna

The creel surveys will begin on 1 December 2018 and conclude on 30 November 2019. The contact details of access-point interview respondents will be collected, to generate a frame from which a sample can be derived to perform the wash-up survey, administered as part of the offsite survey in the other target states.

On each sampling day, a member of each vessel retrieved at the boat ramp will be interviewed and asked a series of questions related to the fishing activity that occurred from the vessel on the day. Questions will include core information relating to the capture of SBT and other game fish species including other large tuna and billfish, such as fishing location, effort (fishing time), number of fishers and number of target species caught (kept and released). SBT will be measured based on a random selection process throughout the onsite survey.

If the number of vessels returning to the boat ramp at a given time exceeds the capacity of the creel clerks to interview all vessels, the clerks will randomly interview as many as possible, and record the number of vessels missed.

Charter boat sector

Catch and effort from the charter boat sector will be collated from the mandatory charter boat logbook program which operates in SA.

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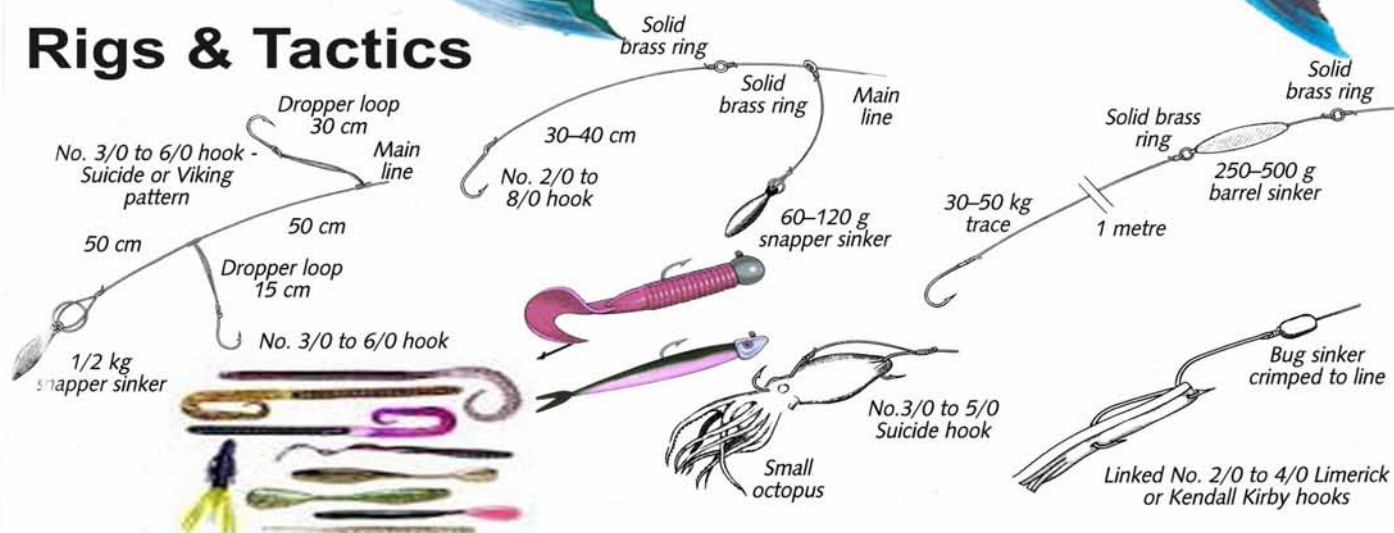
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I feel it is my responsibility as a life member of the club and a long time friend of the Johnston family, to inform the membership that...

John Johnston passed away on the 29th of Nov 2018, age 100.

A fantastic innings has come to an end...

He was respected worldwide for his contribution to the game fishing world and his long time fishing achievements.

John also was the Ambassador for the GFC of SA who travelled regularly, every year to Kona Hawaii with his selected team of anglers from 1972 to 2010, representing our club and returning with a number of wins, many of the trophies can be seen in the Clubrooms at the GFC of SA. From 2011 to 2015 and 2018/19 John ask me to organise a team to keep the tradition of competing International and keep up the tradition of representation of the GFC of SA (which is the 2nd oldest club in Australia).

He also served as President in the Australian and South Australian Game Fishing Association's and received life membership from both organisations. John was also the founding Chairman of the SA Recreational Fishing Advisory Council and Governor of the Pacific Game Fish Research Foundation.

This wasn't all he achieved, John devoted much of his time and energy to the IGFA as well, serving as Australian Representative from 1979 to 1990 and as a Member of the IGFA Board of Trustees for 12 years from 1990 to 2002.

Johnn'o as he is affectionately known to friends and fishing companions, is admired and respected by all who have had the privilege of knowing him. His sense of humour, passion for game fishing and lifelong dedication to the sport of recreational angling in Australia and around the world, has placed John in a class by himself.

John is still the only angler in the WORLD who captured 4 different game fish species over a thousand pounds.

Rest in peace — We will all miss you...

Rolf Czabayski

President Nehl Horton of the International Game Fish Association in the USA send me the following Message to pass on.

The angling world mourns the loss of IGFA Hall of Famer John Johnston who passed away. A highly accomplished big game angler and ardent promoter of the sport, Johnston has left an indelible mark on the international angling community.

Message from John McIntyre, Historian Writer to GFAA.

Johns record in game fishing is unique and I was privileged to be able to speak about his feats at his 100th Birthday Bash in July. John was one of the world's best big game fish anglers and his role in the growth and fostering of the sport, both locally and on the international stage, was likewise unique.

The 75 Year History of The Game Fishing Club of S.A. if not contact Club Secretary Rolf Czabayski on M. 0408 364 488 members will be intitled to obtain one copy at a cost of \$50.00 none members & any additional copies will be at a cost of \$60.00

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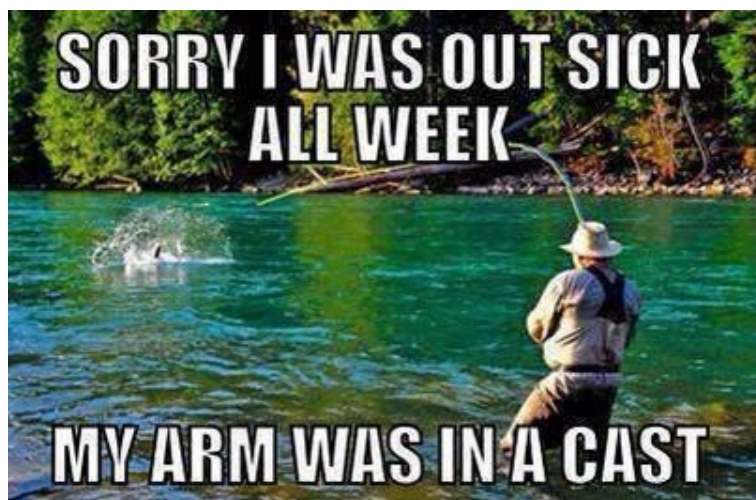
Dear members,

When you finally get around to reading this pointer, please take the time to check that your contact details are correct in the Clubs Directory (*pages 44 to 48*).

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