

# Hook, Line & Sinker



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## *From the Office.*

*Wow what a great weekend weather wise for our March comp and this really show in the biggest number of members weighing fish in, a good sign!*

*The first ever family weekend away was a huge success (see story this issue) so a big thanks to the Pres for the organisation.*



## Dates for the Diary



April Meeting: 9<sup>th</sup>

April Comp:

**13<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup>**

Charter Boat:

*Charter boat is not operating this month.*

Fish of the Month

*April : Snapper*

## ***FISHO FUNNY***

"Doin' any good?" asked the curious individual on the bridge.

"Any good?" answered the fisherman, in the creek below. "Why I caught forty bass out o' here yesterday."

"Say, do you know who I am?" asked the man on the bridge.

The fisherman replied that he did not.

"Well, I am the fish and game inspector."

The angler, after a moment's thought, exclaimed, "Say, do you know who I am?"

"No," the officer replied.

"Well, I'm the biggest liar in eastern NSW," said the crafty angler, with a grin.

*Please note your Diary*

*April Meeting - Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> April*

*Comp weekend - 13 & 14 April. Charter Boat is not operating this month.*



**Charter Boat 2013.**

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***Fisherman allowed into Marine Parks***

*The following is an extract from an article that appeared in the Daily Telegraph on March 12. At this stage we cannot find any real details but watch this space.*

**“FISHERMEN can now cast a line in once protected areas as part of the NSW government's overhaul of the management of marine reserves.**

Under the government's so-called "common sense" approach a panel will also advise the government on how to manage the reserves, taking into consideration socio-economic impacts as well as marine science.

Asked if this meant the number of current marine estates could be reduced, Primary Industries Minister Katrina Hodgkinson replied: "That would be up to the panel itself."

Environment Minister Robyn Parker said the first change would be to open up an additional 85km of coastline to line fishing in all but one existing marine sanctuary.

"There is little or no scientific basis for preventing line fishing from land," she said.

Ms Hodgkinson said the government also remained committed to a five-year moratorium on any new marine parks, initiated in 2011 after the government supported a bill introduced by the Shooters and Fishers Party.”

*March Competition - Results.*

What a great weekend for the lads! There was a huge number of fish presented to the weigh master when 15 members all presented good catches. The Charter boat boys had a good day after a slow start. Well done to all.

**Results for our March competition of the year were as follows:**

**Best Fish: Bill B** with a Sand Flathead of 1.589

**Biggest Fish: Mick C** with a 1.9 Bonito

**Most Fish: Sparrow** with 37

The mystery fish (Salmon) was won by Ron B

The **Wahoo** was won by Mick B and the **Guzzlers Mug** was won by Towie.

First on Charter Boat was John D

The raffle was won by Towie. 15 members hit the scales this month

*March Competition happy snaps:*



Best fish winner Bill is all smiles



Towie scores a double – biggest & Guzzlers



Most fish winner, Sparrow



Mystery Fish winner Ron



Mick wins the wahoo .... At last!

*Well done lads*



*Some of this month's catch*

**Shellharbour weekend** (Report from Keith)

All seemed to enjoy a weekend of reasonable weather, time to relax and have a few laughs. 17 members and partners, 4 visitors and 7 children attended. Thanks to all that helped to make the weekend a bit of fun.

The weekend basically went like this:

A few caravaners arrived early, setup camp, chatted and had a few drinks.

Friday morning most just chilled out. Justin went fishing and got a few. The afternoon saw the "three legged races which was won by Denis and his friend Colleen. Mr and Mrs Preso took a fall at the winning post for second place.

Happy hour was compulsory on Friday arvo as the early arrival watched a few more arrive. The sticky beaks checked out the cabin accommodation.

Trivia Night – was won by Mr and Mrs Sec, Mrs Pres and Sandra.

SATURDAY dawned a beautiful day with most people just chilling out. Mr and Mrs Towie, Justin, Michelle, Simon and Steve had a fish. They all got a few fish.

The Ladies went Walking up town, gossiping all the way! Sand castle competition was held and the adults won by Mr and Mrs R there was a draw for first in the children's section.

Afternoon events included a chance for the boys that wanted to have a punt to pop up to the pub. Mixed Bocce Competition – was won by Mr and Mrs B

Early Happy Hour on Saturday afternoon and yeah we had to have few drinks after all that exercise at Bocce.

For dinner the Club put on Meat, Bread Rolls and Limited Drinks, the ladies made some great salads and Mick O and Sec cooked the meat.

Movies under the stars was hosted by the sec and what a good job he did as we watched two new releases of Mrs Brown's Boys. What a great night.

SUNDAY - Most packed up or went to Kiama Markets.

**HIGHLIGHTS**

- Simon who has never been sick before, got sea sick.
- Ron B tried for dumb and dumber by flying his wife's Sarong instead of a flag on his flag pole.
- The Pres car battery decided it did not want to go home again.
- One of our new female members (not hard to work out who) brought a tent but forgot the poles.
- **Ronnies New Flags**





***THE PRESIDENT WRITES;***

Another good roll up to our second meeting. Our thanks to Rod from Rocket Marine our guest speaker. Our first social event being the Family Weekend at Shellharbour was a good weekend and all seemed to enjoy. Finally, a good weekend for our competition. 2 days of fine weather and few great catches. Well done guys.

Hope to see you all at the next meeting.

Have a Happy and Safe Easter.

Check out our Website for all the information you need

<http://www.moorebankfishingclub.org.au>.

Hope to see you at the pub on Thursday nights for our raffles at 5:30pm.

Keith

***New service available to members.***

Our webmaster has been able to add a 'Members Trading Post' section to our website. Free to members, this page allows members to advertise items for sale. For those wishing to use the page all you have to do is send the details of the item, including photos to Keith and he will do the rest.

***The Gossip, the facts and the bullsh1#***

- ☺ **Happy birthday** to the April babies: Mick C, John C, Jim R, Bob T & George W.
- ☺ **Our weekend away to Shellharbour was an outstanding success** (see story this issue), and it did bring out some strong candidates for the end of year awards. We are sure that these will come out over the next few weeks! There are some great photos on the club web site from the weekend, here is a sample.



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