Official Newsletter the Moorebank Fishing Club Inc. <u>www.moorebankfishingclub.org.au</u>

## FROM THE OFFICE....

Can you believe it is July already!
Kids are on School Holidays AGAIN and
we are on the downhill slope towards
Greenwell Point and Christmas.
The colder Months are definitely here
with the occasional frost on the grass
early morning fog. I think for a change
we will see a real winter.

Not that many people missed me, but I didn't fish for the June competition. I was freezing my bits, down in Tassie with family commitments.

From what I have seen on the comp sheet, there were a few decent fish brought to the weigh-in, with Russ & Plum both bringing in decent salmon.

Maybe it was the colder weather but I wasn't informed of any juniors or wives that weighed in this time.

## Results from July weigh-in:

**Best:** R. COPE – 2.015KG Salmon **Biggest:** R. COOPER – 1.566KG

Salmon

Most: J. BOLD = 10 fish

Wahoo: #16 - Peter ROWLEY

**Guzzlers: T.CURRAN** 

Mystery: NIL - Yellow Bream

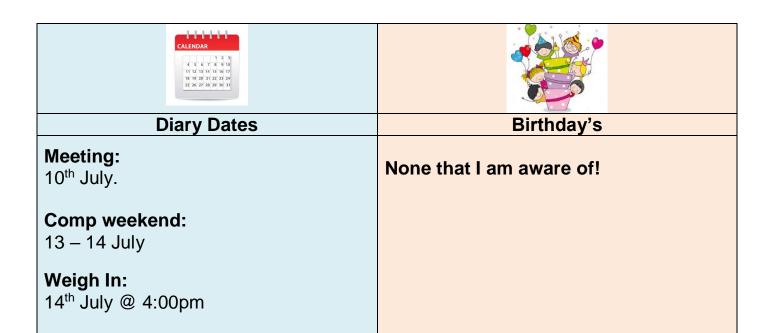
Raffle: #17 – D.SOLARI

Total: 5 members with a total of 20 fish.

We continue getting interest in our Facebook page. Remember, even if you don't post anything, it would be great to see more members visit the page, tag photos & leaving comments.

Remember the Facebook page was created for the club; by members; for all to enjoy. In the interest of everyone that visits the page, posts and comments should reflect appropriate content. Most of us are mature adults but we do have women and children that visit the page. If you wouldn't want your wife or children looking at the posts or comments, then don't put it there for others to see. Thursday continue to be an area where we should improve our attendance. It would be great to see new faces, 'flying the flag' & helping out with the raffles.

Remember if we want a Charter and members subsidy, we need to improve the attendance by members on our charters. We haven't had a charter yet this year but remember the club subsidises \$20 per head for members and having a Charter is a great way of evening up the have & have nots when it comes to fishing. As the charter supplies the rods, reels and bait, everyone has an equal chance of landing the 'big-one'.





As I mentioned earlier, it will soon be time for our annual pilgrimage to Greenwell Point. Our Social Secretary, John SCHELL is taking monies now, so unless you want to get stuck in a room with Col & Peter (party hardy), I suggest you pay your money & have a look at who you are pencilled in with.

On the subject of Greenwell Point, our Social Secretary has been very busy, with organising golf for 16 players with 8 carts on the Friday & a Charter Boat for the Saturday. As usual there will be a bunch of us taking our smaller boat's down, so if you want a spot on the Charter, let John SCHELL know ASAP.

Most of us have been launching & retrieving boats for a few years and more often that not, there is always some knuckle-head that holds up the procession for various reasons. Sometimes it is a simple mistake & other times it can have tragic results.

Have a look at the Hyperlink below that was kindly forwarded by Adam DENYER (RMS), (press & hold your ctrl. Key + left mouse button).

http://www.rms.nsw.gov.au/documents/maritime/safety-rules/publications/boat-ramp-etiquette.pdf

If you know of members or family who are suffering from ill health and would like a special mention in the newsletter, let me know. Keep in touch with what is happening on <a href="https://www.moorebankfishingclub.org.au">www.moorebankfishingclub.org.au</a>

Remember we can list things you have to sell not only in the newsletter but on our website; promote your business, etc, etc. If you have a request for a presentation at a meeting night, let the committee know & we will see what can be arranged. If you

don't ask – you don't get. As ever, we are always keen to welcome new members, particularly better halves and juniors 16 years and under.

Don't forget next meeting, Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> July. Although there are no presenters this time, all members are encouraged to make an effort to attend to support our club, our local pub and give a warm welcome to potential new members.



Fish of the Month

## **Luderick** (Blackfish)

**Distribution** - Generally restricted to shallow coastal waters and estuaries along the east coast, between southern Queensland (around Noosa Heads) and Tasmania. Luderick are often found in large schools around rocky outcrops and jetties.

Size - Maximum of approximately 4kg and a length of 70cm.

Characteristics - Luderick are generally dark green/brown in colour with a silvery-grey belly. They possess 8-12 dark, narrow vertical bands across the back. They are mainly herbivorous, feeding on seagrass and green algae, and sometimes molluscs, prawns and polychaete worms. Angling for Luderick has a 'cult-like' following. Long, flexible rods, very small hooks and pencil floats are commonly used, with green weed the preferred bait. Most luderick are caught in winter.

**Confusing species** - Zebra fish, however, they are rarely found in southern New South Wales and they possess wide stripes on the body (as wide as the gaps).

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