

Hook, Line & Sinker



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From the Office.

Spring is upon us and as the weather warms up it is hoped that more of us will wet a line or two for the last 2 comps of the year. There is plenty on in the last part of 2013 so make sure your diary is up to date.



Dates for the Diary



October Meeting: 8th
October

October Comp: 26th &
27th

Charter Boat:

*Charter boat is operating
this month.*

Fish of the Month

October: Leather Jacket

FISHO FUNNY

Scotch with two drops of water

A lady goes to the bar on a cruise ship and orders a Scotch with two drops of water. As the bartender gives her the drink she says, 'I'm on this cruise to celebrate my 80th birthday and it's today' The bartender says, 'Well, since it's your birthday, I'll buy you a drink. In fact, this one is on me.'

The old woman says, 'Thank you. Bartender, I want a Scotch with two drops of water.'

'Coming up,' says the bartender. As she finishes that drink, the man to her left says, 'I would like to buy you one, too.'

The old woman says, 'Thank you. Bartender, I want another Scotch with two drops of water.'

'Coming right up,' the bartender says.

As he gives her the drink, he says, 'Ma'am, I'm dying of curiosity. Why the Scotch with only two drops of water?'

*The old woman replies, 'Sonny, when you're my age, you've learned how to hold your liquor. **'Holding your water, however, is a whole other issue.'***

Please note your Diary

October Meeting - Tuesday 8th October

Comp weekend - 26/27th October. Please note, the Charter Boat is operating this month. Please see Mick O or Chris T to book your spot.

Family/Ladies Comp - 12/13 October.

Test your brain power... answer on Page 4



Charter Boat 2013.

Want to join the Charter Boat in 2013?

26 October & 23 November
Contact Captain Mick to book your spot.

Don't forget that a Charter Boat Gift Certificate is a great present for the fisho who has everything!

See Captain Mick to book your place.

MFC Still Champs after 23 years!

Our recent Greenwell Point weekend rekindled an old rivalry with St George Fishing club. By chance both clubs were staying at Coral Tree lodge and over some friendly banter on Friday evening it was decided that the old interclub shield held by MFC would be placed on the line once again. This shield hasn't been contested for some 23 years and St George have never held it. The rules were agreed, total weight of the best three fish from each club. Of course MFC came out on top by 100 grams to retain the shield. It was decided that we will try and contest the shield again next year.



The Shield remains with MFC



The two Presidents announce the results

September Competition - Results.

With the weather on the improve a total of 12 members hit the scales this month with some nice fish being caught. With only two comps to go for 2013 the race is on to be among prize winners at the end of the year.

Results for our September competition of the year were as follows:

Best Fish: Col with a 2.590 Drummer

Biggest Fish: Blackie with a 1.832 Flathead

Most Fish: Ron with 12

The mystery fish (Kingfish) was not won this month so the prize jackpots.

The **Wahoo** was won by Terry. The **Guzzlers Mug** was won by Col.

Sorry no happy snaps this month

Well done lads



VERY IMPORTANT INFORMATION

AGM Notice.

The AGM of Moorebank Fishing Club will be held at 11.00 am on Sunday 8th December 2013 at the Moorebank Hotel.

Notices of motion are to be lodged to the Secretary no later than 17 November, 2013.

Kids Christmas Picnic.

Parents & Grandparents wishing to nominate their little ones to receive a present from Santa on Saturday 7 December as asked to complete the nomination form and return it to the committee no later than 24 November. Form is attached to this newsletter.

GREENWELL POINT TRIP

The annual trip away was again a great success with 27 keen anglers making the trip south.

Friday was golf and the course was in pristine condition for the yearly MFC hackers to cruise around the 9 holes. Winners on the day were Mick & Jessie. Word was that Jessie was a huge handicap and the Mick was the real star.

Saturday dawned as a great day for fishing and many members hit the water early to try their luck.

Winners on the day were;

Best Fish: Ron with a 1.314 Snapper

Biggest: Sparrow with a 1.052 Mowong

Most: Col with 18

A big thanks must go to the Pres for organising the weekend.



BOX PUZZLE Answer: Batten down the hatches.



THE PRESIDENT WRITES;

The Pres is currently off on holidays so no update from him this month.

Don't forget the raffles on Thursdays and if you need anything our web site is <http://www.moorebankfishingclub.org.au>.

The Gossip, the facts and the bullsh1#

- ☺ **Happy birthday** to the October babies: Gary A, Peter B, Mick B, Mick By & Robert S
- ☺ Greenwell Point weekend provided the ideal opportunity for our President to stake a very solid claim for the big silver gas ring (Dumb & dumber trophy) when he decided to disembark the little punt at the wharf in front of a very vocal audience! Normally one would wait until the boat was secure at the jetty before getting off! The Jeep keys are OK.
- ☺ While everyone thought that the Pres would have the D & D award in the bag, a silver haired Jeep owner also staked a claim when he 'miss placed' the keys to the Jeep at a caravan park.....
- ☺ Do you have a perpetual trophy? These can now be returned to the Club House in readiness for our Presentation night.

One for the ladies

One day my housework-challenged husband decided to wash his T-shirt.

Seconds after he stepped into the laundry, he shouted to me, 'What setting do I use on the washing machine?'

'It depends,' I replied. 'What does it say on your shirt?'

He yelled back, ' Moorebank Fishing Club !'

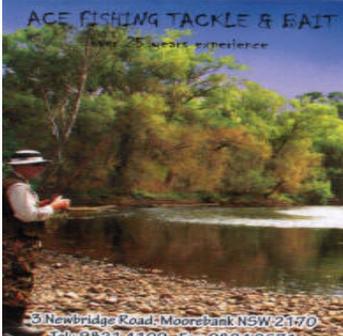
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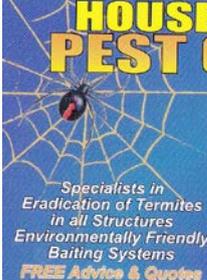
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Voluntary or compulsory lifejackets for rock fishers?

The NSW Government has circulated a discussion paper and survey about drowning rates for rock fishers, seeking public comment on compulsory wearing of life jackets for anglers on coastal rock platforms.

A significant number of people drown on rock platforms every year. This sometimes necessitates rescue attempts utilising government and volunteer services in treacherous conditions.

The issues discussed in the paper include: where and when rock fishers should wear life jackets, education and awareness campaigns, types of life jackets and buoyancy vest, the cost to purchase and maintain equipment, how regulations would be enforced, penalties, and the use of revenue raised from penalties.

The discussion paper has only targeted anglers who are rock fishing on coastal rock platforms and whether they should wear a 'life jacket'. The paper has not addressed other people who venture on to rock platforms and are exposed to the same risks and are often ill-equipped and less prepared than the average angler.

The RFA's (Recreational Fishing Alliance of NSW) position is;

- The dangers associated with rock fishing are predictable and preventable.
- We support education—this is the key to influencing and changing people's attitudes about where and when they decide to go rock fishing.
- We do not support legislation to make life jackets compulsory.
- We do not support closing off access tracks or rock fishing spots as a preventive measure.
- We do not support the concept that wearing a life jacket will automatically keep you safe—the situation is more complicated than that.

Rock fishers need to be aware of the considerations, personal decision-making and responsibilities that affect their personal safety and the safety of others.



