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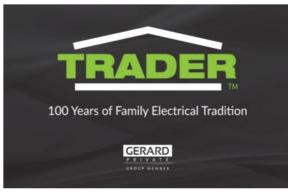
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GFC of SA President Ralph Czabayski 2017/18

Presidents Report

Dear Members,



Welcome to the third edition of the pointer magazine.

Since the last edition of the pointer the season has ramped up. We have had our first Wirrina Tournament in February and the three day tournament was well participated and well organised by our tournament director Dale Smith.

Congratulations to all the winners. The Braveheart crew took out the over 25 section and the Micks's Winch crew took out the under 25 section.

We have also just completed our Peter Teakle Wines Blue Water Classic Tournament and again what a great tournament it was. We were so lucky with the weather as all days bar the last one were perfect. I would like to say what a great job the ground crew did for the week. Well done to Dale, Paul & Brice. The weight recorder also did a brilliant job in regards to the nightly recordings and scores, also what a great trophy presentation. Well done Ashley. Congratulations from myself to all the winners.

Over 25 section, well done to the Spartacus crew for winning champion team. Also, congratulations to the boat Spartacus and skipper Ralph Czabayski for winning champion boat. Congratulations to Ashley North for winning champion angler.

Under 25 section, well done to the game changer crew for winning champion team and congratulations to the boat the game changer and skipper Stuart Donaldson for winning champion boat.

Thanks also to Peter Teakle for his ongoing support of our tournament and thanks to all the other tournament sponsors.

We just completed our social BBQ on Sunday the 29th of April. We had great weather and we had approximately 40 People turn up. The day went off without a hitch and everyone had a great time. The meat was supplied by Palmdale Meats and was excellent. Chefs Peter Wright, Ashley North and myself cooked up a storm. Thanks to Susan Czabayski, Margaret Czabayski and Jo Wright for making the salads. The day was a great success. Thanks to Rolf, Ash, Susan and myself for setting up on the day.

As you all know coming up on the 25th of May is our bowling night, I hope to see a lot of our members there.

Also, the end of the season is approaching fast, so before you know it we will be having our presentation dinner. Remember to keep the date free.

I would also like to announce that The Game Fishing Club of SA club rooms have moved from the Royal Yacht Squadron to a new location at 477 Port Road Croydon. This was no easy decision. This decision was made by the committee because unfortunately both of our concept plans which were presented to the Royal Yacht Squadron were taking to long to approve and we were told this could take some time as it had to be put to the members of the Royal Yacht Squadron. If any of our members have any questions in regards to this decision please give me a call to discuss.

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
2017/18

10 May 2018

All members – GFCSA

Financial Overview of Club



The main focus for the Club over the past few months has been the relocation of Headquarters to Croydon, which has largely been completed. Hopefully a few more members will be motivated to take a more active role in the Club without having to make the long journey out to Outer Harbour.

Once again, a relatively quiet period financially. Only a handful of boats participated in the annual Peter Teakle Port Lincoln Blue Water Classic and this was reflected in the low takings for the event. Other Club functions have however been well attended.

Club revenues for the financial year to date (10 months) are \$63,463. Stock Cost of Sales were \$4,430 and expenses were \$42,128. Interest earned was \$1,509 creating a surplus of \$18,414 for the year. The Balance Sheet reveals cash assets of \$163,842, Trophies and Inventory for Sale of \$30,910 and Fixed Assets of \$113,441. Total assets of the Club, not including club memorabilia total \$308,119. Liabilities were negligible and confined to day to day operating expenses. Total equity was \$229,745 in Members Funds, \$59,960 Asset Revaluation Reserve (Marina berth) and Current Year surplus of \$18,414.

In summary, no major changes and steady as she goes. Detailed Club financial information may be obtained by contacting Rolf Czabayski or myself.

Stephen White Treasurer, GFCSA

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WEIGHT RECORDERS REPORT



Club Weight Recorder
Ashley North
2017/18

Hi everyone,

Well the 2017/2018 season is coming to an end and for my first year as weight recorder I think everyone has had quite a successful season so far with a wide range of recorded species such as kingfish, SBF Tuna, Trevalley, Sharks and also marlin just to name a few. I'm not going to be revealing any current scores this month being so close to the end of the season.

There's still plenty of time for everyone to get out and put a few more points to their name for the season.

We have recently finished up out 2018 Peter Teakle Wines Blue Water Classic Tournament and we were lucky enough to have good weather for 4of the 5 days. This year we had 3 boats qualify for champion boat, two in the Over 25 foot class and one in the Under 25 foot class. This is an excellent achievement by the teams. These years at Port Lincoln there were a total of 187 recordings and 159 of them were tagged and released. Species included 2 Bronze Whaler sharks, 1 Gummy shark, 6 Eagle Rays, 4 King fish and 174 Southern Bluefin Tuna. With a total weight of fish just over 2 Tonnes. I hope everyone enjoyed the tournament and congratulations to all winners, please find the results of this tournament in the pointer.

Leading Boats Over 25ft Category

Happy fishing

Ashley North

GFCSA Weight Recorder

Boat Name	Capture Points	Tag Points	Total Points
Broadbill	39177.67	16456.42	55634.09
Spartacus	26575.5	10755.75	37331.25
Braveheart	10588.5	4253	14841.5

Leading Anglers Over 25ft Category

Anglers Name	Division	Capture Points	Tag points	Total Points
Rolf Czabayski	Mens	12416.83	5361.92	17778.75
Graham Bald	Mens	11688.5	5181.33	16869.83
Ben Gerrits	Mens	6647	2977.5	9624.5

Leading Boats Under 25ft Category

Boat Name	Boat Name Capture Points		Total Points
Micks Winch	5018.75	1072.41	6091.16
Over Jew	615.33	2250	2865.33
Game Changer	2006.21	157.5	2163.71

Leading Anglers Under 25ft Category

Anglers Name	Division	Capture Points	Tag points	Total Points
Jerry Burtt	Mens	2382.17	392.92	2775.09
Shaun Ossitt	Mens	615.33	2150	2765.33
Lee Van Soest	Ladies	1461.58	350.17	1811.75

Landbased Anglers

Anglers Name	Division	Capture Points	Tag Points	Total Points
Mark Hoepner	Mens	4064	0	4064
Jason D'Angelo	Mens	0	950	950
Lee Van Soest	Ladies	445	0	445

WEIGHT RECORDERS REPORT

Leading Anglers Heaviest Species Over 25ft Category

ANGLERS NAME	Species	Boat	Category	Weight (kg)	Line (Kg)	Division	Criteria
Ashley North	Bronze Whaler	Spartacus	O25	130.20	15	Mens	H & MM
Mark Kassebaum	Sampson	Longshot	O25	28.60	10	Mens	H & MM
Jerry Burtt	Eagle Ray	Broadbill	O25	42.22	6	Mens	H & MM
Ben Gerrits	Kingfish	Spartacus	O25	8.60	4	Mens	H & MM
Graham Bald	Snapper	Braveheart	O25	4.20	2	Mens	H & MM
Steve Morris	SBF Tuna	Broadbill	O25	25.30	6	Mens	H & MM

Leading Anglers Heaviest Species Under 25ft Category

ANGLERS NAME	Species	Boat	Category	Weight (kg)	Line (Kg)	Division	Criteria
Jerry Burtt	Bronze Whaler	Micks Winch	U25	65.80	15	Mens	H & MM
Lee Van Soest	Carp	N/A	U25	4.30	2	Ladies	H & MM
Lee Van Soest	Gummy Shark	Micks Winch	U25	9.00	3	Ladies	MM
Stuart Donaldson	Gummy Shark	Game Changer	U25	13.66	6	Mens	Н
Shaun Ossitt	Kingfish	Overjew	U25	28.00	24	Mens	H & MM
Shaun Ossitt	Mulloway	Overjew	U25	27.00	15	Mens	H & MM
Jerry Burtt	SBF Tuna	Micks Winch	U25	30.10	10	Mens	Н
Stuart Donaldson	SBF Tuna	Game Changer	U25	15.5	4	Mens	MM
Lee Van Soest	SBF Tuna	Micks Winch	U25	12.00	10	Ladies	H & MM
Jerry Burtt	Snapper	Micks Winch	U25	5.10	4	Mens	H & MM

Peter Teakle Wines Port Lincoln Blue Water Classics Results

Champion Boat

Boat Name	Category	Total Points
Spartacus	O25	29282.41
Game Changer	U25	1896.3

Highest Point Scoring Boats

Boat Name	Category	Total Points
N/A	O25	N/A
N/A	U25	N/A

Champion Angler

Angler Name	Category	Total Points
Ashley North	O25	9124.42
N/A	U25	

Highest Point Scoring Angler

Highest Tag Point Scoring Angler

Angler Name	Category	Division	Total Points	Angler Name	Category	Division	Tag Points
Ben Gerrits	O25	Men	9630.5	Ben Gerrits	O25	Men	2979.5
James Howat	U25	Men	1061.8	James Howat	U25	Men	157.5

Peter Teakle Wines Port Lincoln Blue Water Classics Results

Heaviest Game Fish

Anglers Name	Category	Species	Division	Weight (kg)
Kym Kessner	O25	SBF Tuna	Men	13.9
Stuart Donaldson	U25	SBF Tuna	Men	12.4

Heaviest Shark

Anglers Name	Category	Species	Division	Weight (kg)
Ashley North	O25	Bronze Whaler	Men	130.2
Stuart Donaldson	U25	Gummy Shark	Men	13.66

Heaviest Eagle Ray

Anglers Name	Category	Species	Division	Weight (kg)
Jerry Burtt	O25	Eagle Ray	Men	42.22
James Howat	U25	Eagle Ray	Men	29

Most Meritorious Game Fish

Anglers Name	Category	Division	Species	Weight (kg)	Ratio
Kym Kessner	O25	Men	SBF Tuna	13.9	3.475:1
Stuart Donaldson	U25	Men	SBF Tuna	12.4	3.1:1

Most Meritorious Shark

Anglers Name	Category	Division	Species	Weight (kg)	Ratio
Ashley North	O25	Men	Bronze Whaler	130.2	8.68:1
Stuart Donaldson	U25	Men	Gummy Shark	13.66	2.27:1

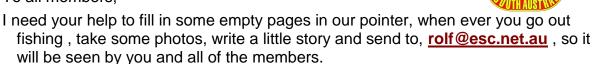
Most Meritorious Eagle Ray

Anglers Name	Category	Division	Species	Weight (kg)	Ratio
Jerry Burtt	O25	Men	Eagle Ray	42.22	7.03:1
James Howat	U25	Men	Eagle Ray	29	3.625:1

Club Notice Board



To all members.



You can send me as many fishing adventures stories and photos as you want hopefully your friends and members in the club will follow you're lead.

I will also ring some members from time to time for fishing, boating stories and pictures, if you don't see them in this issue, you will see them in the next issue.

I'd like to thank all members who have so far contributed stories to this issue. Please keep it up.

2018 Annual General Meeting

To be held on Wednesday the 18th of July

Starts at 7pm at the Club Rooms Address: 477 Port Rd, Croydon SA 5008







Gabriella Gabbana

Congratulation from the club and all our members to for her world record light line capture of a Southern Blue Fin Tuna of 17.1 kg on 4kg line class.

This I believe is Gabriella's first World Record and I am sure it will not be the last one.

Well done & Cheers,

Rolf Czabayski

Life Member

Interesting Article to Read

RECREATIONAL FISHING LICENCE FOR SOUTH AUSTRALIA IT'S TIME TO HAVE THE CONVERSATION

https://www.facebook.com/RecFishSA/

THE INTRODUCTION OF A RECREATIONAL FISHING LICENCE IN SOUTH AUSTRALIA IS A TOPIC THAT HAS DRAWN SIGNIFICANT COMMENT OVER THE PAST TWO DECADES SINCE IT WAS FIRST PROPOSED.

RECFISH SA, THE PEAK BODY FOR RECREATIONAL FISHING IN SA, BELIEVE THAT IT IS TIME
THAT WE ALL HAVE THE CONVERSATION ABOUT AN RFL.

Over the past 20 years or so since both NSW and Victoria introduced a general recreational fishing licence, there has been vigorous debate in recreational fishing circles in SA about whether an RFL should be introduced in SA. Such a contentious topic has drawn both strong criticism and support from recreational fishers across the state and remains an issue of divided opinion in the sector.

In 2014, RecFish SA engaged the expert services of Dr Jackie Schirmer from the University of Canberra to undertake an attitudinal survey of recreational fishers on the topic of a recreational fishing licence.

The outcome of this survey showed that about 50% of fishers supported a licence provided certain conditions on the management of the funds were met. Since this time, RecFish SA, through its large scale interactions with recreational fishers have observed increasing support for an RFL; if the system is managed for the benefit of recreational fishers.

It is clear that recreational fishers are becoming increasingly concerned about the management of fishing and the status of key species in SA and have heightened their calls for government to take action to repair the decline in the quality of our fishery. Anglers believe that without strong government policies for recreational fishing and the significant investment of funding, that the management and development of recreational fishing in SA will continue to lag well behind all other states and territories in the nation. An RFL is considered by some to be an essential component of this strategy to restore recreational fishing in SA.

We invite all members and their friends to join the conversation about an RFL

by hitting up our Facebook at https://www.facebook.com/RecFishSA/ and sharing your thoughts on an RFL.

Over the next few months we will be undertaking a range of activities to better understand the opinion of recreational fishers about an RFL.

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YEARLY TOURNAMENT CALENDER



Glossary =>

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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 2017 2018 FISHING EVENTS



TOURNAMENTS & CHALLENGES

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GFCSA TOURNAMENT DIRECTORS

Hi All,





Dale Smith Tournament Director

In a few weeks my first season of tournament director for the GFCSA will be completed. I would like to start by commending the previous tournament director for all his organisation and dedication to the GFCSA, along with the 2017/18-committee members for all their hard work and support over the year.

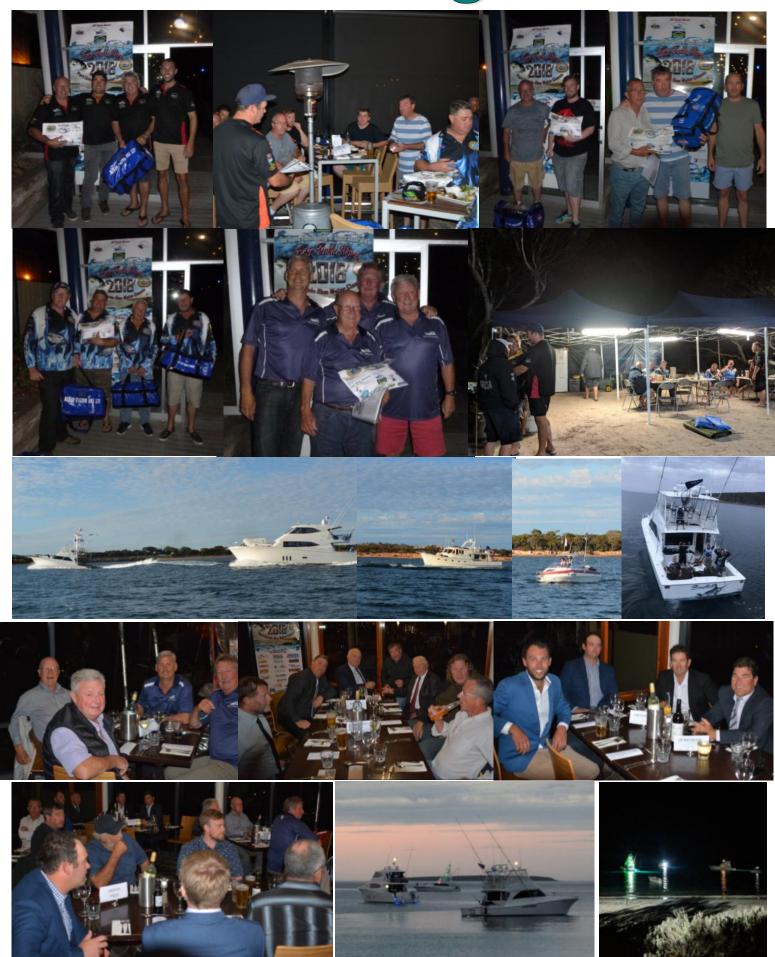
This season we added the 'Wirrina Tournament' to our calendar, which ran from the 15th to the18th of February. With boats entering from both over and under 25ft, made for a great turn out. This facilitates the opportunity to run the tournament again in 2019. With some fantastic prizes up for grabs we are hoping for an even better turn out.

Our major tournament the 'Peter Teakle Wines Blue Water Classic' was held from the 7th to the 13th of April. We had fantastic weather and the fishing was spectacular, with positive feedback all round. We had a total of 22 angler's with a huge number of tag and releases. The club once again ran the base camp out of Memory Cove. This provides an opportunity to catch up with everyone on land for a bbq, few beers and a chat about their days fishing. Congratulations to all of the winning anglers and their teams.

If you're interested in entering a tournament next year and would like more information, please don't hesitate to contact myself or any of the current committee members. We would be glad to help and thrilled to have you involved.



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The Peter Teakle Wines Braveheart 2018 Port Lincoln Blue Water Classics



To ensure that Braveheart and crew arrived into Port Lincoln ahead of the Peter Teakle Wines Blue Water Classic briefing on Saturday the 7th of April, we departed Adelaide at first light on Thursday the 5th with a plan to fish and test our gear on the way. Weather conditions were excellent on this day, which made the journey much more enjoyable for all on board.

On reaching Althorpe Island we began to look for Tuna and began trolling with skirts with unfortunately no luck, so we converted to deep diver lures and slowly crept on to Suzanne Shoal.

We noticed many pods of dolphins on this leg but no bird activity to chase and no hook ups in this area.

As we neared Wedge Island we decided to approach from the south side and noticed many cray pots in close to the Island but again with no strikes or hook ups, so we decided to try various spots to bottom fish.

Late in the day we anchored on the North side of Wedge Island for the night as the winds were favourable with a forecast of light South Easterlies

The next morning we began with some bottom fishing before trolling again for tuna on our way into Port Lincoln later in the day.



We again saw many pods of dolphins on this leg but no bird activity so we decided to steam on to Spalding Cove for lunch on board before entering the marina to berth the boat.

The club conducted the briefing for all fishers and skippers on Saturday the 7th of April and announced a shot gun start for the next morning, where all boats would line up next to the president's boat where the president would announce the start of the Peter Teakle Wines Blue Water Classic for 2018.

Braveheart 2018

Port Lincoln Blue Water Classics



The tournament began on Sunday the 8th at 8am with three boats travelling to the Cabbage Patch area on this first day.

The Braveheart crew did well on the tuna this year with some 46 caught with 44 tagged and released which is a boat team best.

Unfortunately after so much effort, we were unable to meet the overall criteria of catching an Eagle Ray and a Shark during the tournament however, a good mix of species was caught which kept the Braveheart team entertained and busy.

The target fish was landed, and everyone was happy except Graham as he began fishing again, stripped down to his undies while he dried off. I had to look away.

Fortunately, a good outcome for all concerned.

A special high light was the sighting of two White Pointed sharks while anchored at the South Neptune Island where they swan close to the boat rear duckboard.





Graham is lucky he didn't fall over board on this day.

Another highlight was the service Dale offered boat crews in Memory Cove where he picked up claim forms and crews to go ashore for drinks and dinner etc. – Well done Dale a great idea.

The weather conditions for the next few days in Port Lincoln and surrounds was for high winds which went gale force at time all of this held us up in the planned departure back to Adelaide.

We eventually got away from Port Lincoln on Monday the 16th April at first light as the forecast was

improving and we arrived into Adelaide late on this day.

In conclusion overall a good week on the water together with the social activity between crews it was another successful GFCSA tournament – Well done to all.

Regards,

Frank Bamford





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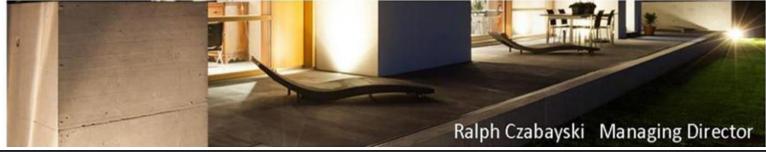
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IGFA REPORT



Rolf Czybayski (Snr) South Australian IGFA Representative Dear Fellow Anglers

By IGFA President Nehl Horton

Since taking the Helm at the International Game Fish Association last September, I've had the opportunity to meet a wide variety of IGFA supporters from trustees, to international representatives, to corporate partners and members around the globe. Throughout all of these conversations', I've been highly impressed by the passion, dedication, loyalty and commitment that runs deep in the veins of the IGFA family.

As the seventh president of this historic and venerable organization, I'm honoured by the opportunity to build on the legacy of our founder Michael Lerner and all of the IGFA leaders who contributed so much to our success over the past 79 years.

I am also humbled by the task ahead as we look to modernize and strengthen the IGFA in preparation for our 80th anniversary and beyond.

The IGFA has a unique position as a truly international, conservation-based recreational angling organization. Encompassing all species of fresh and salt water fish, all styles of angling from conventional to fly, and every ocean, sea, river, stream, lake and pond in the world, the IGFA is the only non-profit association able to cast a wide net across the entire recreational angling community. To fully realize our vision of establishing the IGFA as the most widely recognized authority on game fish and angling-related matters in the world, I believe we must embrace all kinds of anglers, all species of fish and all types of habitat.

That means reinforcing our leadership role in setting international standards for ethical angling and good sportsmanship and recognizing outstanding angling achievements trough world records, trophy clubs and slam clubs. It also means pursuing cutting-edge research initiatives to study and conserve game fish, holding fisheries managers accountable for the health and sustainability of game fish stocks, and teaching new generations of anglers how to fish and how to respect our natural resources. In short, it means living up to our original motto and striking a sustainable balance between" for ethical sport and productive science".

Looking ahead to our 80th anniversary next year, the time is ripe to renew our commitment to IGFA"s founding principles, to refresh our strategies for engaging anglers and to refuel our efforts to protect game fish for future generations.

To do that, we will focus on five big initiatives as part of our Fish for the Future campaign, including:

- . Establishing International Angling Day as a platform to reach new anglers, educate them about ethical angling practices and activate them as ambassadors for our sport and advocates for game fish conservation:
- . Strengthening and expanding our international network of IGFA representatives, clubs, captains and members to increase our presence and relevance in angling communities around the world;
- . Launching three major signature research initiatives-two of them focused on fresh water science to better deliver on our commitment to game fish conservation;
- Teaching 100000 kids to fish in locations around the globe to help build a new generation of educated, ethical and accomplished anglers; and
- .Re-establishing the IGFA as a leader in recreational angling competitions focused on outstanding angler achievement, not cash prizes.
- I invite all recreational anglers-wherever you may live or travel to join us in pursuit of these ambitions opportunity to define the future of recreational fishing around the world. It's an investment in ethical sport and productive science that will pay dividends for generations to come.

Let's Fish for the Future!

Nehl Horton IGFA President

After 2 months of enjoying everything about Hamilton Island, it was time to leave before the cyclone season. The weather was getting really humid and we were spending more time inside our air-conditioned cabin than we were outside. We had made the decision that we were going to 'Cross the Ditch' and head to New Zealand so we would drive the boat back to the Riviera Factory in Coomera for a service and a few modifications to prepare for the 1250nm trip. We planned to leave Hamilton Island with good weather so we could fish along the way. We were given some fishing spots and tips from some people we met on Hamilton Island and we were eager to try them out.

Between Mackay and Yeppoon, just 30mile SE of Middle islands, there are several lumps. One of our favourite features of our Riviera is the DPS (Dynamic Positioning System).



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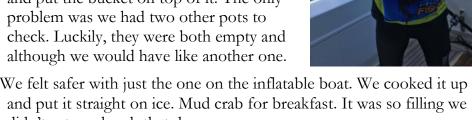


After a full-on day of fishing Island Head Creek was our anchorage. Island Head is postcard stuff with crystal clear turquoise water and distant mountains as a backdrop. It also has a reputation for fishing and being home to some of Australia's biggest mud crabs. We lowered the tender, put the pots on and went to explore. We headed up stream the picturesque creek and dropped our pots. Island Head is a breeding ground for sea turtles, never before had we seen so many turtles in the one area.

After a long day we had some fresh coral trout for dinner and called it a night. First thing to do in the morning was to check the pots. We weren't really confident that we were going to get any, so we hadn't thought too hard about what we were actually going to do if we had caught one. We pulled up the first pot and to our surprise we had one, not just one – the biggest mud crab we had ever see! So big it wasn't going to fit in the bucket we had brought. It was so big and scary we were both at the back of the boat trying to keep away from it.



We left it in the pot at the front of the boat and put the bucket on top of it. The only problem was we had two other pots to check. Luckily, they were both empty and although we would have like another one.



and put it straight on ice. Mud crab for breakfast. It was so filling we didn't eat any lunch that day.

We had heard there was some good fishing in the creek so we thought we would try are luck. We trolled



some lures of the back on the tender up stream. After a few cod, we finally got something that was putting on a bit of a fight, a big barramundi. After countless aerial stunts we had the big fish landed. We brought it back to our boat, put it straight on ice and went back out. We caught and released another three.

That afternoon we heading into Yepoon to fuel up and get some supplies. Yepoon is a pretty coastal town renowned for its beautiful beaches. From there we went to Great Keppel Island. On the island there is a beautiful beach and a restaurant that we had a lovely meal at and listened to the live music.

We had a big day the next day driving to Bundaberg from Great Keppel Island. We broke it up when we saw flocks of birds working. We through lures out and trolled around. We gave up after we had caught nothing but Barracuda after Barracuda. We got into the Marina and planned a day of touring Bundaberg as the weather wasn't looking the best.

The Bundaberg Rum Factory was the highlight of our tour day. The weather was looking better the next day so we did the scenic drive through the inside of Fraser island. We went along the outside on the way up to Hamilton island as the weather was too bad to cross the bar. Crossing the bar was easy enough.

The hardest part was trying to pass all the sail boats that are going slow through it. We made it to Moreton Island that night so decided we should go for a nice dinner at Tangalooma as the trip was coming to and end.

The next day we arrived in Coomera and immediately started to get organised for our next adventure. New Zealand here we come!

Russ and Gab



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Broadbill Port Lincoln Tune



My son and I were very appreciative in getting invited to join Rolf Czabayski on his boat called Broadbill out from Port Lincoln,

We arrived Friday evening, the boat was ready. We put our gear on and bags in the cabin, and off we went in the darkness. First stop was going to be Taylor's landing for our sleep over, this saves us a bit of time in the morning to head out to the cabbage patch.

Anchor down we turned the television on and see the last quarter of the crows and swans game, the crows are leading, we watched a good win.

Early to bed as we knew Rolf, will be up early.

We all were sleeping like babies, when we hear the twin Detroit Diesels fire up, a quick breakfast coffee then anchor up and we are cruising out past cape catastrophe, then turning west to the cabbage patch.

The sun slowly appeared, the weather looking good for a day on the tuna.



Rolf opened up the Detroit Diesels 3000 hp pushing 30 tonnes 55 foot long Tub and in a reasonable time, we arrive at the small patch.

Not too much bird activity, but we deployed the lures and started to cruise. Geoffrey was on the helm and looking around.

10 minutes later the rods bend over, we are on a 3 way hook up, we tagged these fish, and then started to head over the spot again, wasn't long and the rods are going again.



More tagging, the fish we not on the big size, so we decided to dropped down to 6 kilo out fits and Rolf was on 4 kilo outfit.

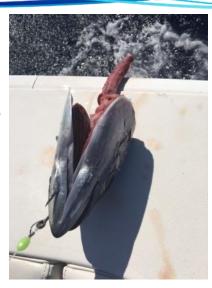


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The morning was busy with plenty of tuna coming over the side, we lost some lures and fish. I had a friendly seal that I fed a couple of times with my hooked tuna that wanted some as well, we decided to move to the bigger patch, to get away from my seal, we found some more tuna, and I caught a stripey, a few small King fish came over the side as well.

We moved back to the small patch and found the tuna again, and yes, the seal found us again.





1 hour went past, the tuna went quiet and Rolf made some ham rolls. Geoff was still driving and looking around, he spotted some more action and a few more tuna caught.

These were dispatched in the kill tank for a feed, but the afternoon was getting on, so we packed up and headed in. Rolf drove back and Geoff put his feet up.

We were heading back to memory cove, an excellent piece of paradise for a sleepover. Time for a drink and Rolf organised a pork roast dinner, bloody marvellous as we watched the footy but port went down. My son was outside catching squid for the morning as we decided to catch some whiting the next day on some of Geoff's special spots.

The next morning we had a sleep in, I heard the coffee machine, so I got up had some breakfast and we headed around looking for George (King George). It was a great relaxing day with quite a few whiting, red mullet and yes, even Port Lincoln have puffer fish.

I was fighting a gummy around the boat got him to the surface until Rolf got the gaff out and the gummy released himself. Geoff had a good night sleep and was full of banter as Rolf was commenting on his whiting spots, this kept my son amused.



They day ticked on nicely and we headed back to the marina, Geoff had the filleting duties and Rolf was using his new vac sealer machine, a few drinks handed around, and I found Rolf had some Johnny walker which went down nicely. Rolf told us a few stories about the marina and my son thinks you can catch cray fish in the marina.

Tight lines.

Craig Dade

Peter Teakle Blue Water Classic with Gamechanger 2018



As it has been for the last four years, Gamechanger made its way, towed by the trusty Pajero, from Strathalbyn up to Port Augusta and down to Port Lincoln. With this trip we always leave early Friday morning, this year it was myself, crewman James and newbie for ground crew young Bryce. It is normally a slow easy trip as we sit on around 95km/h for the journey

We arrived in Lincoln early Friday evening, dropped the boat of at Paul's house, caught up with a few of the fellas and then booked in to the Marina Hotel to enjoy a well-earned beer and feed. The next morning Bryce headed out to help with setting the camp up while James and myself readied the boat with fuel, ice and bait. We soon launched and were tied up behind Broadbill at the Marina for Sunday's start. Saturday night we had the briefing and caught up with the other skippers and crew.

The next morning we were all up early ready for the start, at 8am we were lined up outside the marina ready to go, Ralph announced "start fishing start fishing" over the radio, we all took off. The weather was very kind to us and we cruised at around 18 knots behind Braveheart towards Memory Cove. We elected to fish Thistle Island on the first day. We had a pretty quiet first day, the only action was a quick hook up on the shark line that lasted less than a minute before the bait was dropped.



Back at Memory Cove that night the ground crew had base camp ready, kitchen, shower and accommodation. The bigger boats came in having fished "the patch" and had caught tuna.



The weather forecast was not bad so we decided we would head there on the Monday. Heading out early it was a little lumpy, I radioed Rolf to see what it was like, and as expected over the radio, "it is magic out here, you will be fine". Just over an hour later we found ourselves trolling with Braveheart and Broadbill.

We had a bit of fun, I landed two tuna on 4 and 6kg line, James lost a beauty on 6kg. We decided to head back in and try for an eagle ray at Williams Island. We arrived at Williams about 2pm and deployed 4 eagle ray lines. After about 10kg of chopped pilchard for burley we had our first run on six kg line, I hooked into it but before we could lift the anchor the line went slack. As we were reeling that in the 4kg reel screams, this ray played fair for a while.

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While fighting that ray James 8kg outfit takes off, 3 hook-ups in about 5min of each of them. As I was losing more line I decided to put a bit more pressure on the fish which resulted in it braking off. James was still hooked up so I lifted the anchor and we chased it around, eventually landing a nice 29kg specimen. We re anchored and not long after James was on again, again we lifted the anchor and chased the ray, shortly after we had a smaller one on board, weighed and released.

We headed back to base. The next day we headed back to the same area where James was again able to land an eagle ray, tag it and release it. Over the next few days we tried various areas to catch a shark as we had three out of the four Criteria. The big boats brought some very heft Bronze Whalers back from the cabbage patch.

The last day the weather was predicted to be ordinary, most boats had decided to head back early, mainly due to the fact that they had the criteria. We decided to stop and fish on the way back, trying various spots. Our last spot was Carcass Rock. Anchored we had a bait on the bottom and on the top.

Again after disposing the last of our bait for burley the 6kg outfit bent over and took off. After a spirited fight we had a 14kg Gummy shark on board.



Once we quietened her down from destroying the boat we realised we had the criteria. We radioed Ralph on Spartacus to see if he was heading back, he came up past us and we followed him back to his place on the Marina where we weighed the shark then quickly filleted her.



The presentation night was Friday night. Even though we were the only under 25 foot boat competing James and myself had kept up the banter between each other. At the end of the day James and myself picked up a number of trophies for heaviest and most meritorious game fish. The highlight for us is that this year was the first year we were able to beat the criteria by getting all 4 criteria to become champion boat. If you are a trailer boat and wish to do this tournament next year I would thoroughly recommend it.

It is very safe, the facilities the club provide are more than adequate with strong mooring for the boats, tents, kitchen, shower and personnel to go into town to pick up more fuel and ice. Apart from the game fish there is a variety of table fish like Nannygai, snapper, whiting and squid to be caught, we came home with a great feed. We budgeted around \$1500 each for the tournament, this included entry fee, accommodation at the hotel, food, drinks, fuel for boat and car, bait etc, my boat is a Haines signature 575 with a Suzuki140hp 4 stroke to give you an idea if you are thinking about having a go.

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	All Water Chai	llenae	All waters, All line Classes	
Starts:	Saturday	0700 28 Jul 2018	The Boat & Angler records the most Species for the Challenge (U25/O25/LB)	
Ends:	Sunday	2359 26 Aug 2018	Highest Point Scoring: Boat & Angler, all Categories & Divisions	
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			GFAA Equipment rules apply!	
	Salmon Chall	enge	All waters, 4 kg line and under line classes	
Starts:	Saturday	0700 1st Sep 2018	Heavies & Most Meitorius Salmon	
Ends:	Sunday	2359 23 Sep 2018	Highest Tag Point Scoring: Boat & Angler, all Categories & Divisions	
			GFAA Equipment rules apply!	
	Eagle Ray / YT Kingfi	sh Challenge	All waters, All line Classes	
Starts:	Saturday	0700 29 Sep 2018	Heaviest Combined Weight - 1 Eagle Ray, 1 Yellowtail Kingfish	
Ends:	Sunday	2359 28 Oct 2018	Most Meritorious: Eagle Ray, Yellowtail Kingfish	
			Heaviest: Eagle Ray, Yellowtail Kingfish	
			Highest Point Scoring: Boat & Angler, all Categories & Divisions	
			Highest Tag Point Scoring: Boat & Angler, all Categories & Divisions	
			GFAA Equipment rules apply!	
11/4	Shark Challe	enge	All waters, 24kg and under line classes	\neg
Starts:	Saturday	0700 3th Nov 2018	Most Meritorious: Shark	
Ends:	Sunday	2359 2nd Dec 2018	Heaviest: Shark	
			Highest Point Scoring: Boat & Angler, all Categories & Divisions	
			Highest Tag Point Scoring: Boat & Angler, all Categories & Divisions	
		12	GFAA Equipment rules apply!	
	Tuna / Snapper C	Challenge	All waters, 8kg line and under line classes	
Starts:	Saturday	0700 15 Dec 2018	Heaviest Combined Weight - 1 Tuna, 1 Snapper	
Ends:	Sunday	2359 27 Jan 2019	Most Meritorious: Tuna / Snapper	
			Heaviest: Tuna / Snapper	
			Highest Point Scoring: Boat & Angler, all Categories & Divisions	
			Highest Tag Point Scoring: Boat & Angler, all Categories & Divisions	
			GFAA Equipment rules apply!	
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Ends:	Sunday	17th Feb 2019	GFAA Equipment rules apply!	
	Land Based Cha		All waters, All line Classes, All GFAA Species	
Starts:	Saturday	0700 02 Mar 2019	Most Meritorious: Game Fish	
Ends:	Sunday	2359 31 Mar 2019	Heaviest: Game Fish	
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2019 Tournament Base 'Memory Cove'			All Categories & Divisions equipment rules apply! GFAA Fish species Game Fish, Sharks & Eagle Rays	
Starts: (Briefing) Friday 6-30pm 15th March2019			Rules, Times and Criteria to be issued at the briefing	
			Presentation Dinner Thursday 20th March 2019	
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Starts:	Saturday	0700 1th June 2019	Heavies/Most Meritorious Species over all for each line class up to 6kg	
Ends:	Sunday		Highest Point Scoring: Boat & Anglers	
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			GFAA Equipment rules apply!	
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Presentation Night 2017-2018	Sat 8th Sept 2018	Grange Golf Club
Annual BBQ	Sun 14th Oct 2018	Club Rooms
Club Trip - Goolwa Family Cockling Day	Su 11th Nov 2018	Goolwa - Details TBA
2017 Chrismas Party Adelaide	Date to be advised	Location to be advised
2018 Chrismas Party Pt.Lincoln	Date to be Advised Location to be advised	
Blue Water Classic - Tackle Night	Wed 27th Feb 2019	At the GFCSA clubrooms 477 Port Rd Crodon
Club BBQ	April 28th 2019	Location to be advised
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Game Fishing Club's BBQ on the Grounds of the R.S.A.Y.S.

It was Sunday the 29 of April 2018 when about 40 Members got together, what a nice turn out a lovely day Sunshine and above 25 degrees, What a Day.

Members were busy to exchange the last Fishing adventures of the last Peter Teakle Wine Port Lincoln Tournament plus the Challenges we Fished during the Season.

As the afternoon progressed our President made a Speech to welcome all Members and Friends and thanked our Sponsors and Advertisers for their support to the Club.

Our Weight Recorder Ashley North taken the helm and ask for a few Minutes of concentration as he then read out and presented to the Winners the Golden Certificates of all competition Challenges during the Year. Also Ashley presented the Golden appreciation Certificates of the Port Lincoln Peter Teakle Wine Tournament to all our Financial Supporters who were present. The Winners of those challenges you can follow, by seeing the weight recorders report Pages in this issue.

The Fishing calendar for the yearly Season is nearly over and we all looking forward to the 2018/19 Season.

The BBQ where switched on and Ralph, Ashley and Member Peter Wright soon had the steaks and sausages on the hotplate.

After our Meal, Long time Member Peter Buick took the podium and started a meat platter Auction with the meat what was left over .Sold ones, Sold twice, -- Sold.

Thank you all for coming and see you all soon again. Our next function will be the yearly trophy Presentation in September, invitation we will be sending by post and E-Mail.

Rolf Czabayski

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CLUB ROOMS

Ή All,



y now you have read the presidents report on the start of the Pointer newsletter and should know what has happened at the RSAYS. I would like to take this opportunity to thank John lohnston, clubs patron and life member on behalf of all the club nembers for the lease of his property at 477 Port Rd, Croydon next door to Godfreys). It will be accessible for more members as it is more central to Adelaide. I know there is a lot to do but we have already moved all our belongings from the RSAYS, with some of the Committee people helping.

We are planning a hands-on working bee day on the property with a BBQ to follow on the day, and of course, a couple of beers. We will be sending you all an E-Mail re the date, it will be on a Sunday. Zane Niblock (see below), one of our new members already painted the front room. Thanks Dale Smith for changing some of the fluoro light fittings and thanks to Star Electrical, Ralph Czabayski, for supplying them. Steve Morris, thank you for installing the security mesh that the club purchased for the front windows and front doors. Thanks to member Craig Dade for repairing one steel security screen. I am proud of my grand son Harry Czabayski, who also helped me clean and place all our perpetual trophies where they belong.

Rolf Czabayski

Life Member





Grandson Harry C. helping grandfather Rolf clean & polish trophies in the new clubrooms.





THANK YOU

A big thank you must go to Zane Niblock who only recently joined our club and volunteered to paint the Room.

Thanks Rolf

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BROADBILL ON A MISSION

THE MISSION IS TO TRY AND WIN THE PETER TEAKLE WINES 2018 PORT LINCOLN BLUEWATER CLASSIC



Steve Morris, new club member Zane Niblock, Jerry Burtt and Myself arrived at Port Lincoln on Friday 6th of April 2018 all eager to fish the 2018 PETER TEAKLE WINES PORT LINCOLN BLUEWATER CLASSIC onboard ROLF CZABAYSKI'S boat, BROADBILL.

Our 5th crew member, also a new club member ASH BRANDOM was to meet us at memory cove after the first days fishing on the Sunday night. We had a last minute cancelation from our 6th member Scott Sinclair, Sorry Scott you are not with us.

Saturday 7th

We were up early to load the boat up with all our rods and tackle, go get pilchards, do the food shopping and fuel up the boat ready for the tournament. Saturday night was the briefing night at the Marina Hotel where we all received our goodie bags with our tournament shirts, chocolate from Haigh's, apricot delight from Jim Smyth's confectionary and some fishing magazines. The food platters put on by the hotel were delicious and plentiful. It was good to catch up with the other teams/members and have a chat. Everyone seemed excited about the tournament with good weather being forecast for most of the week.

Sunday 8th

A early shotgun start saw all competitors/boats racing off to the fishing grounds. We were the fastest boat getting to memory cove putting our mooring down and racing off to Linguanea island to start our days fishing. Close to arriving we deployed our lures and started trolling for tuna. After a good hour without a strike, it was

decided to go try the little cabbage patch.



After arriving there, lures deployed, it wasn't long before Rolf had the first tuna onboard the boat then Steve tagging and releasing one. The tuna were small and a lot of non line class fish were getting caught so Steve, Rolf and myself dropped from 6 to 4 kilo line and Zane from 8 to 6 kilo and landing his first ever Tuna on 6 kilo line which was weighed in that night (congratulations Zane).

That afternoon, Steve hooked something massive on 4 kg what we think may have been a Sampson fish as he couldn't get it up off the bottom after it took a skirted lure off the surface and went straight down. Steve fought the fish for about a hour before he busted it off.

I was surprised how long 4kg line could put up with that sort of strain, lucky we all had put new line on before the trip. After Steve had lost this fish, we had to head back to memory cove as he had to drive back to Port Lincoln to pick up our 5th crew member Ash from the airport. We cleaned the boat then headed onto shore for the weigh in. We were in 3rd place with only 303.33 points, Braveheart in second with 1689.6 points and Spartacus in the lead with 2622.5 points.

After Steve and Ash got back, we had beautiful BBQ tea cooked by the ground crew, great job guys. After a few drinks and a bit of socializing, we went back to the boat for a good sleep.

Monday 9th

Rolf and myself were up at 5am so we could start heading out slowly in the dark to the little cabbage patch. We let the rest of the crew sleep until we were close to deploying the lures.

About half a hour away, I woke the crew. They had breakfast and we all got the lures in the water. It wasn't long before we had our first hook-ups on tuna for the day.

A while later I hooked up on a tuna that was pretty stubborn and went deep. I was fishing 4 kilo line so it was turning into a long fight.





At about the 30 minute mark, we had a heap of tuna start swimming around the boat, so pilchards were thrown in at steady intervals to keep them around. It wasn't long and we had about 3 big bronzies swimming around the boat too. It was total excitement for us all, especially the 2 new club members, Zane and Ash as they haven't seen this type of feeding frenzy before. It wasn't long and one of the sharks had got the tuna I was fighting and the line broke.

Steve was right into action and had a shark rod deployed and it wasn't long till he hooked up and was fighting one. As he was fighting it he saw another one trying to eat the bait which had unfortunately slid up the line. It was controlled mayhem with Rolf reversing the boat and Steve trying to grab the bait to get it off the line.

Tuesday 10th

Up early again and headed out to the cabbage patch in the dark. When we got out there, the tuna were very slow so we anchored up and burlied up for sharks. Ash hooked a Sampson that was going to be a quick fight but unfortunately the fish won its freedom.

A few other bottom fish were hooked and some lost with no sharks to be seen, until I hooked this little Mako shark on 15 kilo line. I thought it was a little tuna and wound it straight to the boat. It was the first Mako I have ever caught. It was pretty small so we tagged it and released it while it was still in the water.

We didn't get much score on the board this day but it was still a fun day. That night at the weigh-in my bronzie was beaten by a bigger one that Ash North caught that weighed in at around 130 kilo. Well done Ash.

That night dinner was supplied and cooked by the Spartacus crew. It was a BBQ assortment of meats and salads. Beautiful guys, well done.

Day 3 saw Spartacus still leading with 20067.74 points, Braveheart in second with 10048.4 points and Broadbill in third with 8314.94 points.

Wednesday 11th

Another 5am slow ride in the dark saw us heading for south Neptune island to try get a eagle ray. We had 3 of the 4 criteria to qualify for champion boat and angler. It would be the only way we could beat Spartacus. Zane was the first to hook one on 8 kilo but with all of us in the way he couldn't get to the port side of the boat quick enough and it broke the line under the boat. Sorry Zane. Next up, Rolf hooked one on 6 kilo and did a lap of the boat with Steve gaffing it ¾ of the way round. It weighed in at 24.96 kilos but didn't count for the team score as Rolf was a individual angler.

I hooked a massive one next doing about 2 laps of the boat I was on the bow and it was just starting to give up when I accidently knocked the lever into free spool and fuzzed the line, but as I just got the fuzz out the ray took of and the reel back lashed and the line broke. What a dumb mistake.





The next one I hooked was on Rolf's 6 kilo. He told me to take it of him, as we needed that ray for the team and myself.

I fought it right to the back door but unfortunately, as Rolf hand lined the leader, it took off like a rocket nearly pulling Rolf out the door, then the trace snapped.

We're rigged and it wasn't long before Rolf's 6 kilo went off again. I grabbed it and fought the ray up and down the port side of the boat, finally getting it to the back door where it was landed.

It weighed in at 42.222 kilos on 6 kilo line. It was not only the biggest eagle ray I had ever caught but it was the heaviest thing I have caught on 6 kilo line.



I was absolutely stoked. This is the first time I have got the 4 criteria and I couldn't have done it without a fantastic team, thanks guys. After that, we headed for some lumps to try get some Sampson fish with no luck.

Lines out, we headed back to memory cove to find out the weather was turning very bad for the last day and we probably wouldn't be fishing.

Spartacus had returned and they had got their eagle ray and were thousands of points ahead of us. There was no way we could beat them, so we admitted defeat and congratulated the team on their win.

CONGRATULATIONS TEAM SPARTACUS.
That night we had another BBQ tea, cooked by

the ground crew. Awesome guys, fantastic

job, it was beautiful.

Everyone had a few drinks and as the rain started, we all headed back to the boats. By this time, it was pouring with rain and windy, so it was nice to get into some dry clothes and a warm bed.

Thursday 12th

We had a bit of a sleep in, then Ash/chef cooked us bacon and eggs for breakfast. Another great meal, cheers mate, your lunches and meals you cooked were all fantastic and enjoyed by us. We then pulled up our mooring and had a slow pleasant cruse back to Port Lincoln.

Just as we finished cleaning the boat the bad weather hit and the wind and rain set in.

Friday 13th

We packed up all our gear ready to head home Saturday. We dropped Ash off at the airport as he had to get back to work. Then I showed Zane around, I took him to sea master to buy some tackle then went back to Rolf's for a shower and to get ready for presentation night.

Presentation night, the meals were fantastic. I had pulled pork, spring rolls on a crispy salad with sweet and sour sauce for Entrée. For main, Mari lamb fillet on sweet potato mash with roast tomato and red wine. For dessert, I had chocolate mousse with a brandy nap basket & mixed berries. It was beautiful.

I won't go into what the other teams won, they can write about their experiences themselves.

I won most meritorious and heaviest eagle ray overall for the boat over 25 foot category.

It was a fantastic tournament and I had a ball fishing with a great bunch of blokes. Ash Zane and I were stoked to be fishing with Rolf and Steve, a couple of fishing legends and learning a lot of new techniques and seeing the legends in action.

A big thanks to Steve Morris for showing us the ropes and schooling us up on what to do. Another big thanks to Rolf Czayabski for having us on board his beautiful boat, BROADBILL. Your hospitality is second to none.

MISSION NOT ACCOMPLISHED BUT WE TRIED. WE WILL TRY AGAIN NEXT TIME IF WE GET THE CHANCE.

Cheers.

Jerry Burt,

TEAM BROADBILL: ROLF CZABAYSKI, STEVE MORRIS, JERRY BURT, ZANE NIBLOCK, ASH BRANDOM & Scott Sinclair (not Fishing.)







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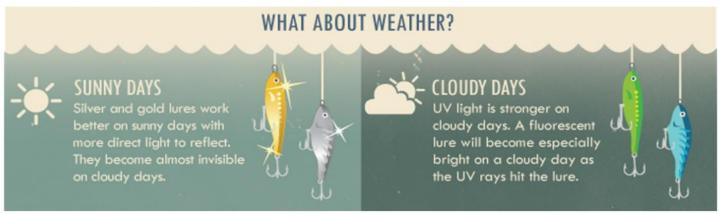
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Does Colour Matter Underwater?

View From Below:

Most keen anglers have a favourite lure or fly colour, and swear that their choice will out-perform all other offerings. But just how important is colour when it comes to lure and fly selection? Well, according to science, not very important at all!

It's an irrefutable fact that water progressively absorbs or blocks light of different wavelengths, meaning that colours effectively "vanish" one after another as "white" sunlight travels through the water column. The overall intensity or brightness of visible light also diminishes rapidly underwater.



Because this absorption is greater for longer wavelengths (the red end of the spectrum) than for shorter wave lengths (the blue end of the spectrum), perceived colours are rapidly altered with increasing depth or distance through the water.

The precise rate at which this loss of colour occurs varies depending on the intensity of the sunlight (whether the sun is directly overhead or low on the horizon, the amount of cloud cover, and so on), as well as the clarity and colour of the water itself, and the presence of any suspended matter such as weed or plankton. Even in very clear ocean currents far from shore, less than 25 percent of available sunlight hitting the sea's surface will penetrate much beyond 30 feet or so (10 meters). By the time we reach a depth of 300 feet (90 meters), the remaining light may be as little as 0.5 percent of that available on the surface. In other words, it's a pretty gloomy place down there! In freshwater lakes and rivers, this loss of light with depth is even more dramatic.

As already mentioned, red is the first colour visible to our eyes to disappear, and is typically gone within 15 or 20 feet (5 - 6 meters) of the surface (much less in turbid water).

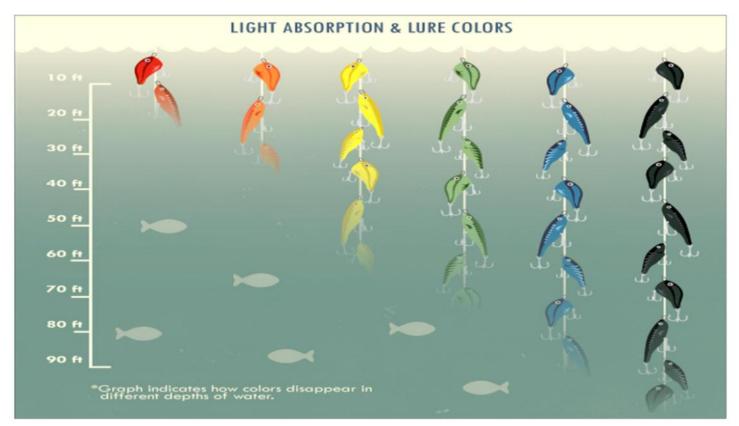
Orange disappears next, then yellow, green, and purple.



Blues (both the tones of blue visible to our human eyes and also the shorter, ultra-violet wavelength many fish can see) penetrate deepest of all.

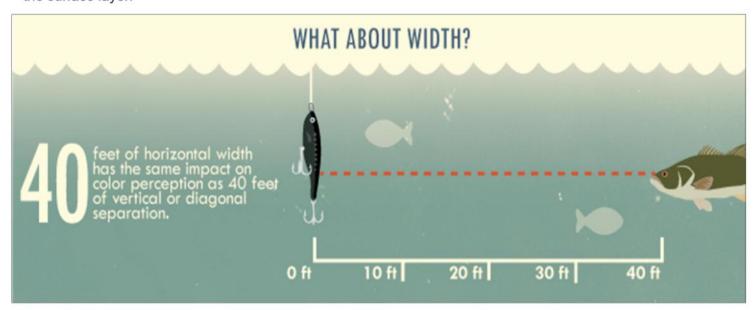
This phenomenon has a profound impact on the way things look to us (and presumably also to fish) underwater. White objects will appear bluish or gray underwater, and the darkness of that blue/gray appearance increases rapidly with depth. Red objects will begin to look dark brown or even black within a few meters of the surface. Down at 40 or 50 feet (15 meters), even in very clear water, the world appears to be composed entirely of shades of gray, blue, and black.

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It's worth stressing that this loss or alteration of visible colours occurs in both the vertical and the horizontal or diagonal planes. So, 40 feet of vertical depth has roughly the same impact on light waves and colour perception as 40 feet of horizontal or diagonal separation between object and observer.

In other words, a red lure may look black when viewed at a depth of 40 feet, but it will also appear black, or at the least brown or very dark grey, when viewed from the side at a distance of 40 feet, even if it's travelling right up in the surface layer.

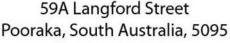


At face value, this phenomenon of light and colour loss underwater makes a complete mockery of the importance of colour in lures anywhere beyond shallow, ultra-clear scenarios, yet anglers the world over will continue to argue that one colour is better than another, even in deep-water jigging.

The funny thing is, if you ask half a dozen fishers for their opinion on the most effective lure colour, you're likely to receive six different answers. Perhaps it's time we moved colour to the bottom of the list of criteria when choosing a lure or fly, and placed far greater emphasis on the size, action, profile, and speed of our offerings.

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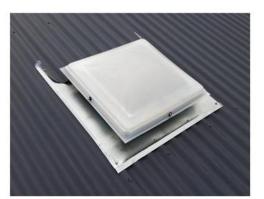




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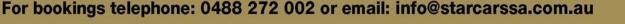
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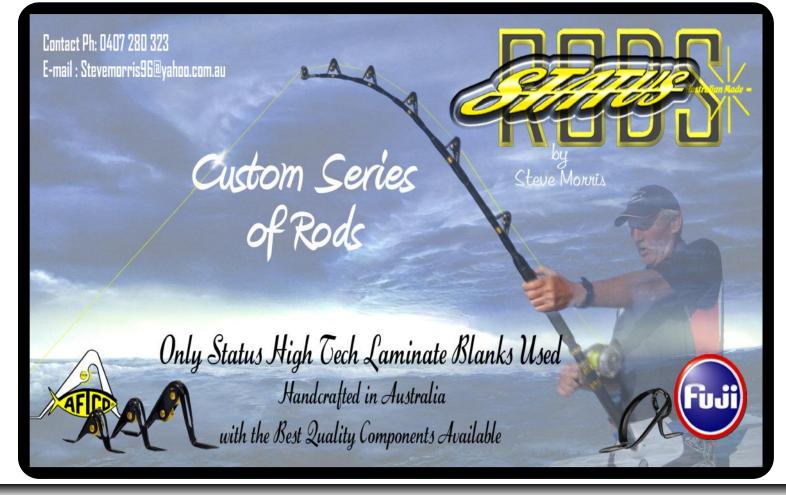
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