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(Top) GFC of SA Point Scoring Boat O/25ft 2013-14  
"GALAXY STAR"

(Bottom) GFC of SA Highest Point Scoring Boat 25ft & Under  
2013-14 "Justagirl"

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GFC of SA President  
*Ralph Czabayski*  
2014/15



Dear members.

Welcome to the second edition of the Pointer Magazine.

The New Year has started off very busy and we have received quite a few recordings from numerous people. I hope everyone had a great Christmas and a Happy New Year.

The family and I had a great Christmas and New Year.

We had Christmas lunch at home in Adelaide with the family. We then spent Boxing Day and night in Port Augusta at Susan's brothers place where like usual we had a great time celebrating Christmas. From there we ventured to Port Lincoln to our house to get ready for New Year's. We had a full house - 14 adults and 6 kids. We all had a great time. Dad's house is next door and we went out fishing for tuna and tagged and released approximately 30 tuna. We had a great day and were lucky enough to find the bigger schools of tuna.

We only went out one day as it was too windy, but we made the best of it. New Year's Eve was good with plenty of partying into the early hours of the morning. We all had a great time. In all the weather was still kind to us with plenty of sunshine but too much wind.

From Port Lincoln we headed to the river for a few days and after that we went to the Gold Coast to visit Spartacus. We stayed on the boat and went out marlin fishing for a day but had no success.

Of course the boat next to us caught a marlin and we were fortunate enough to see it jumping out of the water. It put on a great show for us! It was great to be out on the boat but that's fishing – everyone else got one. From there it was back to work.

The two Christmas shows were great successes. We had a lot of people attend both functions.

The Port Lincoln Christmas show was well supported by our members, thanks to Tim for always supplying the pig and the spit, John Werner for the potatoes and the girls for supplying the salads. A big thanks to Rolf for supplying his house. Everyone who attended had a great time.

The Adelaide Christmas show also had a great turnout. The weather was very pleasant and all the committee did a great job of setting up and getting into the Christmas spirit. We had new caterers and the food was really tasty. The face painter was also there and she did a great job of painting all the kids faces.

Father Christmas came by boat and boy! did he have a lot of presents to give out. Father Christmas and his helper did a great job in both Adelaide and Port Lincoln. Thanks!

Once again thanks to all the committee for all their efforts for these two Christmas shows.

The Peter Teakle Port Lincoln Blue Water Classic Tournament is coming up in March. I hope to see many boats and people at this tournament. Last year's tournament was excellent and this year will only be bigger and better. I can't wait for it as I will have my own boat "Spartacus" here and my crew are already in training. I will see you all there.

The club is in good shape financially with the only debts being daily bills.

That's all from me and thanks again to all our sponsors and advertising in the Pointer.

Tight lines.

*Ralph Czabayski*



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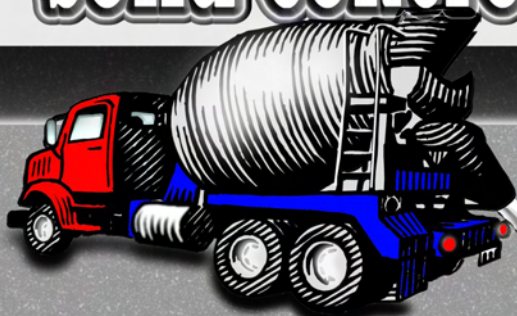
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### Important up coming events

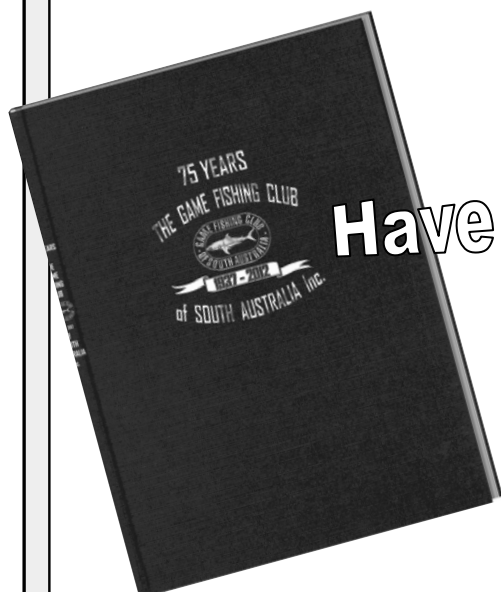
**Dates & events to take note of :** - *Tackle Night -*



- **Adelaide May 20th (Wednesday) 7:00 pm at clubrooms**

**'Day and Night fishing for Broadbill Swordfish' with Capt. Rolf Czabayski**

— **Port Lincoln May 2015(Sunday) - (Final details TBA)**



## Have you got a copy yet!!!

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GFC of SA Treasurer  
**Steve White**  
2014/15

## July to January

With excellent support for the Club by way of Advertising and Sponsorship, and Peter Teakle's generous sponsorship of the Peter Teakle Port Lincoln Blue Water Classic, revenues are well up on last year. Club membership has also increased since June, whilst stock sales have remained constant.

This will allow the Club to promote the Classic, the Club's feature event of the year, and all members are encouraged to participate in this unique and rewarding tournament.

It should be noted that the majority of the generous prizes on offer during the Classic were won by the smaller "trailer" boats so not having a "maxi" should not be seen as an impediment to participating.

Club Stock continues to turn over well and good quantities of the Club History remain at the Clubhouse – if you haven't got a copy or read it, it makes interesting reading, especially on those days when the weather keeps you at home.

The only departure from our normal level of expenses over the seven months has been the increased spending on functions – whether the Classic, Open Days, Tackle Nights, Club Dinners and many other functions put on by the Club, for you, the members.

Overall, the Club is currently running at a healthy surplus for the year to date, cash reserves are substantial, and Club assets well maintained.

There are no outstanding accounts other than day to day running costs. It is anticipated that spending will rise over the next period in preparation for the BWC, but this should be adequately matched by receipts from members participating in the Classic.

Steve White  
Treasurer  
1 February 2015



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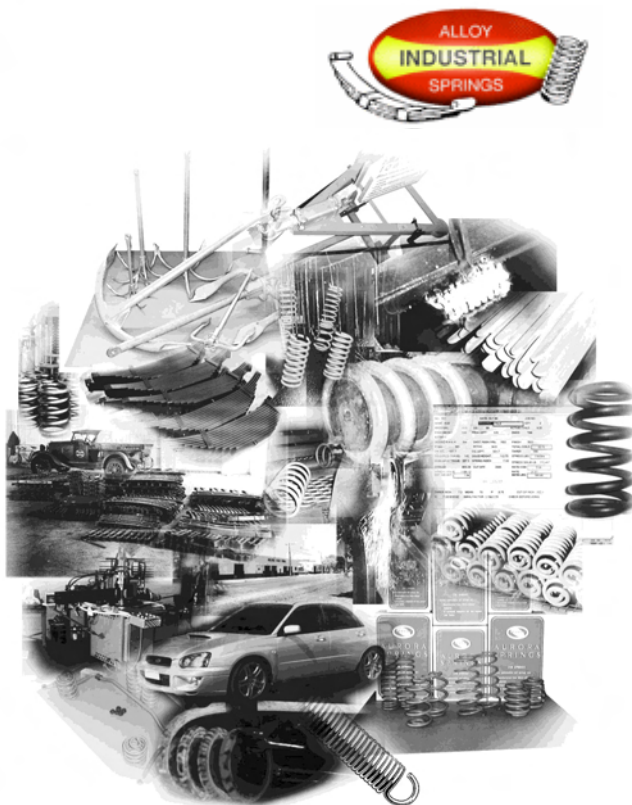
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Wayne Greenshields  
Club Weight Recorder  
2014/15

Greetings All,

As the season passes the half way mark, recordings are really starting to fly through my door.

Still the **Under 25ft** crews are taking charge with great recordings coming from many and varied species and locations- including local gulf waters. The big boats are starting to get on the score board now with the Tuna well and truly present in the offshore waters adjacent to Port Lincoln.

A few stand out are as follows:

**Lee Van Soest** has continued her great efforts with more great captures. In addition Lee also won the **Coast 2 Coast** tuna comp while fishing the 10kg line class exclusively. Well done! Keep at it Lee.

Shaun Ossitt and the '**Overjew**' crew (Wayne Greenshields and new members Jason D'Angelo and Billy Papgeorgiou) are still getting amongst some solid points with over 15,000 points to their credit.

Shaun has also jumped ship onto '**Galaxy star**' for a trip with Rolf and myself (see a more detailed report here within) where he managed to climb into the running for Champion Angler (O25) achieving all 4 sections in the one day (Shark, Eagle Ray, gamefish capture: Tuna and Gamefish tag: Tuna) if that wasn't enough Shaun also managed to land a few Samson fish and Silver Trevally, these however did not go line class but were tagged and released to fight another day, well done mate!

Tracey Tito, Renee Martin and the '**Justagirl**' crew are firing all cylinders now that the Tuna and Snapper have rocked up, smashing out some great captures including some that would've topped existing world records if claimed. Remember to check the record books people, I want to see you get a world record. Congrats Tracy & Renee!

The under 25ft fleet competition is really firing up with these 2 boats '**Just a girl**' and '**Overjew**' in an epic battle for points at the top of the leader board. It is going to come down to the wire on this one, however '**Dark star**' (the father son team) are currently the only boat in the running for champion boat at this stage as '**Just a girl**' and '**Overjew**' still to record a shark.

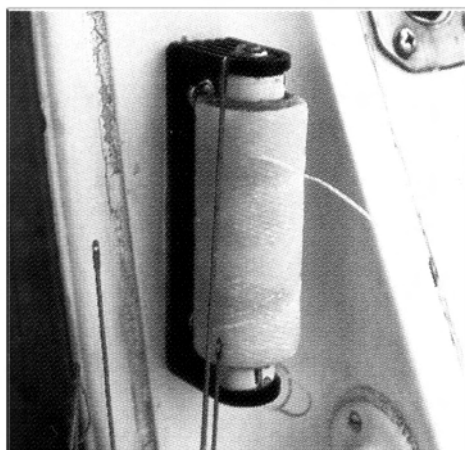
Over 25ft boats are now getting into some solid points and it looks like it's going to be a two horse race. The standout is '**Galaxy star**' but coming hard after them is '**Majesnic**'.

I know Rolf is welcoming a challenge so Russel bring your A game. Also I hear Ralph may be back in the hunt with his boat '**Spartacus**' back on the scene and on it's way back to SA. Watch out boys and girls our president does fish hard and I think he will give them both a run for their money with a late season charge.

Good luck and tight lines everyone

Wayne Greenshields

Weight recorder GFCSA



### Floss Holder

Getting live baits out as quickly as possible helps keep your baits alive and frisky so they can attract the attention of the big girls. To make sure his mates can get live baits into the water in the shortest time possible, Capt. Jeff Anderson keeps waxed floss and rigging tools close at hand.

Above the rigging station, Anderson mounts a toilet-paper dispenser that holds a large roll of floss beside a selection of hooks and needles. When a bait comes into the boat, the crew can get everything done at one station without running around the cockpit | rigging tools. appropriate

A long bolt secured by a wing nut keeps the floss from popping out of the holder in rough seas.

Andy Hahn  
Rio de Janeiro, Brazil



The tackle night held at the club rooms in February was focused mainly on the upcoming Peter Teakle Port Lincoln Blue Water Classic being run in March and was well attend unfortunately there was no camera present, so sorry to say, no photos of the proceedings ! but all that attended had a good night.

The Port Lincoln tackle event was lacking in attendance and even though a camera was there only a few pictures where taken. Thanks must go to Rolf Czabayski who again allowed the club the use his Lincoln house for the proceedings as well as hosting the event. Rolf gave all those that did attend a very lay back informative tutorial with a Q/A session on the up coming Lincoln tournament. It turn out to be a very pleasant and social afternoon as you can see from the pictures taken.

Well done and thanks again Rolf , for flying the clubs flag!



## - Perpetual Trophy Categories so far, for the 2014-15 Season -

### - The John Johnston and Rolf Czabayski Billfish Trophy — For the Most Billfish Tagged (All Waters)

Boat Category	Anglers Name	Anglers Division	Species		No of Tags
Over 25ft	Ralph Czabayski	Senior	Marlin		5
Over 25ft	Rolf Czabayski	Senior			3
Over 25ft	Shane Qunn	Senior	Black Marlin		1
Over 25ft	Bob Hill	Senior	Blue Marlin		1
Over 25ft	Cherokee hill	Lady	Black Marlin		1

### - H. Fairfax Johnson Trophy—The Heaviest Other Gamefish Capture Overall (Other Waters)

Boat Category	Anglers Name	Anglers Division	Species	Line Class	Weight
Over 25ft	Bob Hill	Senior	Yellow fin Tuna	24kg	94kg
Over 25ft	Bonnie Coulls	Lady	Mahi Mahi	10kg	10kg
Over 25ft	Cherokee hill	Lady	Dog Tooth Tuna	60kg	25kg
Over 25ft	Ralph Czabayski	Senior	Yellow fin Tuna	24kg	
Over 25ft	Graeme Wickman	Senior	Dog Tooth Tuna	60kg	35kg

### - THE JACK LORD ARTHUR BILLFISH TROPHY— For the Most Meritorious Billfish in (All Waters)

Boat Category	Anglers Name	Anglers Division	Species	Line Class	Weight
Over 25ft	Shane Quinn	Senior	Black Marlin	60kg	359kg

### - The Edgar Davidson Billfish Trophy— For the Heaviest Billfish in (All Waters)

Boat Category	Anglers Name	Anglers Division	Species	Line Class	Weight
Over 25ft	Shane Quinn	Senior	Black Marlin	60kg	359kg

# York Civil All Species Challenge 31st July to 14th Sept 2014

## Award Criteria & Categories that where on Offer for the Most All Species Challenge in 2014-15

\*The Most GFAA Species Reordered by an Angler will be the winner\*

Highest Point Scoring Angler & Boat

Highest Tag Point Scoring Angler & Boat

For all Categories & Divisions

### BOUNDARIES & RULES WHERE

All Waters — All GFAA Line Classes — GFAA Equipment Rules Apply — All GFAA Species Only

(There must be more than one competing in any one category, criteria or division to win that category, criteria or division)

## The Final Results for the 2014 -15 Season York Civil All Species Challenge

CATEGORIES WON	BOAT /ANGLER NAME	No. of FISH SPECIES	POINTS SCORED
Highest Point Scoring Boat O/25ft category	No Recordings	—	—
Highest Point Scoring Boat 25ft & Under category	- OVERJEW - Shaun Ossitt	1	6,054.00
Highest Point Scoring Senior Angler O/25ft category	No Recordings	—	—
Highest Point Scoring Senior Angler 25ft & Under category	Shaun Ossitt	1	4,804 .00
Highest Point Scoring Lady Angler 25ft & Under category	-JUSTAGIRL- Renee Martin	1	600.00
Highest Point Scoring Senior Angler L/B category	Richard Hill	1	517.00
Highest Point Scoring Ladfy Angler L/B category	Lee Van Soest	2	440 .00
Highest Tag Points Scoring Boat O/25ft category	No Recordings	—	—
Highest Tag Points Scoring Boat 25ft & Under category	- OVERJEW - Shaun Ossitt	2	847 .00
Highest Tag Points Scoring Angler 25ft & Under category	Shaun Ossitt	1	897.50
Most GFAA Species Recorded by an Angler O/25ft category	No Recordings	—	—
Most GFAA Species Recorded by a Senior Angler 25ft & Under category	- OVERJEW - Shaun Ossitt	1 (won on a count back)	—
Most GFAA Species Recorded by a Lady Angler 25ft & Under category	-JUSTAGIRL- Renee Martin	1 (won on a count back)	600.00
Most GFAA Species Recorded by a Senior Angler L/B category	Richard Hill	1	517.00

## 2014-15 Snapper/Salmon & Kingfish Challenge Winners

### Award Criteria & Categories that where on Offer for the Most All Species Challenge in 2014-15

\*The Most GFAA Species Reordered by an Angler will be the winner\*

Highest Point Scoring Angler & Boat

Highest Tag Point Scoring Angler & Boat

Heaviest Snapper/Salmon & Kingfish

Most Meritorious Snapper/Salmon & Kingfish

For all Categories & Divisions

### BOUNDARIES & RULES WHERE

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CATEGORIES WON	BOAT /ANGLER NAME	FISH SPECIES	POINTS SCORED
Highest Point Scoring Boat O/25ft category	No Recordings	—	—
Highest Point Scoring Boat 25ft & Under category	- OVERJEW - Shaun Ossitt	1	1,832.00
Highest Point Scoring Senior Angler O/25ft category	No Recordings	—	—
Highest Point Scoring Senior Angler 25ft & Under category	Shaun Ossitt	1	1,332.00
Highest Point Scoring Lady Angler 25ft & Under category	Boat N/A Lee Van Soest	1	200.00
Highest Point Scoring Senior Angler L/B category	Richard Hill	1	517.00
Highest Tag Points Scoring Boat 25ft & Under category	- OVERJEW - Shaun Ossitt	2	1,205.83
Highest Tag Points Scoring Angler 25ft & Under category	Shaun Ossitt	1	897.50
Heaviest Snapper Reordered by senior angler 25ft & Under	"Micks Winch" Jerry Burt	Snapper	10kg on 6kg
Most Meritorious Snapper Reordered by senior angler 25ft & Under	"Micks Winch" Mick Dawe	Snapper	9.5kg on 2kg
Heaviest Kingfish Reordered by senior angler 25ft & Under	- OVERJEW - Shaun Ossitt	Kingfish	18kg on 15kg
Most Meritorious Kingfish Reordered by senior angler 25ft & Under	- OVERJEW - Shaun Ossitt	Kingfish 1.5 to 1	15kg on 10kg

**THERE WERE NO RECORDING RECEIVED FOR ANY CRITERIA or CATEGORY NOT LISTED IN ABOVE TABLES**



# Start of the 2014-15 Seasons Results Table

## Highest Point Scoring Boats O/25ft Category 2014-15 Season

Rank	Boat Name	Total Points	No.Species
1	GALAXY STAR	12,676.60	
2	LONGSHOT	2,114.00	
3	REEL ACTION	1,350.80	
4	HAWK	373.33	
5	OFF THE HOOK	366.66	
6	MAJESSNIK	218.71	

## Highest Point Scoring Senior Angler O/25ft Category 2014-15 Season

Rank	Angler	Boat Name	Division	Tag Points	Points	No. Species
1	Shaun Ossitt	GALAXY STAR	Senior	812.10	3,784.10	2
2	Rolf Czabayski	GALAXY STAR	Senior	766.60	3,211.60	
3	Wayne Greenshields	GALAXY STAR	Senior	855.00	2,530.00	1
4	Bob Hill	GALAXY STAR	Senior	275.80	1,057.50	1
5	Bruce Baddeley	REEL ACTION	Senior	250.00	988.30	
6	Ralph Czabayski	GALAXY STAR	Senior	329.17	887.50	
7	Steve Morris	GALAXY STAR	Senior	100.00	391.60	1
8	Ray Baddeley	REEL ACTION	Senior	0.00	362.50	
9	Peter Nickolai			77.50	232.50	

## Highest Point Scoring Lady Angler O/25ft Category 2014-15 Season

Rank	Angler	Boat Name	Division	Tag Points	Points	No. Species
1	Cherokee Hill	GALAXY STAR	Ladies	465.80	1,852.80	1
2	Debra Nickolai		Ladies	459.50	1,481.50	1
3	Gabriella Gabbana	MAJESSNIK	Ladies	550.00	218.75	1

## Highest Point Scoring Junior Angler O/25ft Category 2014-15 Season

Rank	Angler	Boat Name	Division	Tag Points	Points	No. Species
1	Max Forster		Junior	0.00	366.66	1
2	Ben Kapur		Junior	465.80	3,314.50	1

## Highest Point Scoring Boats 25ft & Under Category 2014-15 Season

Rank	Boat Name	Total Points	No.Species
1	OVERJEW	14,337.60	2
2	JUSTAGIRL	8,116.70	
3	DARK STAR	4,467.50	
4	REELWISE	3,168.40	1
5	MICKS WINCH	2,438.60	1

## Highest Point Scoring Senior Angler 25ft & Under Category 2014-15 Season

Rank	Angler	Boat Name	Division	Tag Points	Points	No. Species
1	Shaun Ossitt	OVERJEW	Senior	12,487.79	3,875.30	2
2	Richard Hill		Senior	385.42	3,168.00	
3	Jerry Burt	MICKS WINCH	Senior	50.00	1,356.70	1
4	Wayne Greenshields	OVERJEW	Senior	208.33	1,250.00	1
5	Dillip Kapur	DAR STAR	Senior	208.33	1,203.00	
6	Jason D'Angelo	OVERJEW	Senior	550.00	550.00	
7	Jerry Burt	MICKS WINCH	Senior	50.00	1,356.70	1
8	Billy Papageorgiou		Senior	50.00	0.00	

# Start of the 2014-15 Seasons Results Table

## Highest Point Scoring Lady Angler 25ft & Under Category 2014-15 Season

Rank	Angler	Boat Name	Division	Tag Points	Points	No. Species
1	Tracey Tito	JUSTAGIRL	Ladies	0.00	4,174.50	1
1	Renee Martin	JUSTAGIRL	Ladies	0.00	3,936.50	1
2	Lee Van Soest	N/A	Ladies	550.00	1,852.80	1

## Highest Point Scoring Junior Angler 25ft & Under Category 2014-15 Season

Rank	Angler	Boat Name	Division	Tag Points	Points	No. Species
1	Ben Kapur		Junior	465.80	3,314.50	1

## Highest Point Scoring Senior Angler Land Based Category for the 2014-15 Season

Rank	Angler	Boat Name	Division	Tag Points	Points	No. Species
1	Wayne Greenshields	N/A	Senior	0.00	325.00	1
2	Shaun Ossitt	N/A	Senior	0.00	112.00	1

## Highest Point Scoring Lady Angler Land Based Category for the 2014-15 Season

Rank	Angler	Boat Name	Division	Tag points	Points	No. Species
1	Lee Van Soest	N/A	Ladies	50.00	10,712.50	2
2	Tracey Tito	N/A	Ladies	0.00	650.00	1

## Recorded GFAA Salt Water Species

### - Heaviest Eagle Ray Category 2014-15 Season -

Boat Category	Anglers Name	Anglers Division	Line Class	Weight	Points
Over 25ft	Rolf Czabayski	Senior	8kg	32.00kg	400.00
Over 25ft	Max Forster	Junior	3kg	11.00kg	366.66
25ft & Under	Shaun Ossitt	Senior	6kg	44.20kg	736.66
25ft & Under	Renee Martin	Lady	6kg	36.00kg	600.00
25ft & Under	Ben Kapur	Junior	10kg	23.00kg	230.00
Land Base	Lee Van Soest	Lady	4kg	12.50kg	312.50

### - Most Meritorious Eagle Ray Category 2014-15 Season -

Boat Category	Anglers Name	Anglers Division	Line Class	Weight	Ratio
Over 25ft	Shaun Ossitt	Senior	3kg	17.50kg	5.83 to 1
Over 25ft	Max Forster	Junior	3kg	11.00kg	3.66 to1
25ft & Under	Shaun Ossitt	Senior	4kg	37kg	9.25 to 1
25ft & Under	Renee Martin	Lady	6kg	36kg	6.00 to1
25ft & Under	Ben Kapur	Junior	10kg	23.00kg	2.30 to 1
Land Based	Lee Van Soest	Lady	4kg	12.50kg	3.13 to1

### - Heaviest Snapper Category 2014-15 Season -

Boat Category	Anglers Name	Anglers Division	Line Class	Weight	Points
Over 25ft	NO RECORDINGS				
25ft & Under	Shaun Ossitt	Senior	4kg	10.00kg	250.00
25ft & Under	Tracey Tito	Lady	4kg	14.43kg	360.75
Land Based	NO RECORDINGS				

### - Most Meritorious Snapper Category 2014-15 Season -

Boat Category	Anglers Name	Anglers Division	Line Class	Weight	Ratio
Over 25ft	NO RECORDINGS	NO RECORDINGS			
25ft & Under	Mick Daw	Senior	2kg	9.50kg	4.75 to 1
25ft & Under	Tracey Tito	Lady	4kg	14.43kg	3.60 to 1
Land Based	NO RECORDINGS				



**- Heaviest Kingfish Category 2014-15 Season -**

Boat Category	Anglers Name	Anglers Division	Line Class	Weight	Points
Over 25ft	NO RECORDINGS				
25ft & Under	Shaun Ossitt	Senior	15kg	18.00kg	130.00
Land Based	NO RECORDINGS				

**- Most Meritorious Kingfish Category 2014-15 Season -**

Boat Category	Anglers Name	Anglers Division	Line Class	Weight	Ratio
Over 25ft	NO RECORDINGS				
25ft & Under	Shaun Ossitt	Senior	15kg	18.00kg	1.2 to 1
Land Based	NO RECORDINGS				

**- Heaviest Samson fish Category 2014-15 Season -**

Boat Category	Anglers Name	Anglers Division	Line Class	Weight	Points
Over 25ft	Bruce Baddeley	Senior	15kg	24.00	160.00
25ft & Under	NO RECORDINGS				
Land Based	NO RECORDINGS				

**- Most Meritorious Samson fish Category 2014-15 Season -**

Boat Category	Anglers Name	Anglers Division	Line Class	Weight	Ratio
Over 25ft	Bruce Baddeley	Senior	15kg	24.00	1.6 to 1
25ft & Under	NO RECORDINGS				
Land Based	NO RECORDINGS				

**- Heaviest Salmon Category 2014-15 Season -**

Boat Category	Anglers Name	Anglers Division	Line Class	Weight	Points
Over 25ft	NO RECORDINGS				
25ft & Under	Richard Hill	Senior	4kg	5.50kg	137.50
Land Based	NO RECORDINGS				

**- Most Meritorious Salmon Category 2014-15 Season -**

Boat Category	Anglers Name	Anglers Division	Line Class	Weight	Ratio
Over 25ft	NO RECORDINGS				
25ft & Under	Richard Hill	Senior	4kg	5.50kg	1.37 to 1
Land Based	NO RECORDINGS				

**- Heaviest Gummy Shark Category 2014-15 Season -**

Boat Category	Anglers Name	Anglers Division	Line Class	Weight	Points
Over 25ft	NO RECORDINGS				
25ft & Under	Lee Soest	Lady	4kg	13.00kg	325.00
Land Based	NO RECORDINGS				

**- Most Meritorious Gummy Shark Category 2014-15 Season -**

Boat Category	Anglers Name	Anglers Division	Line Class	Weight	Ratio
Over 25ft	NO RECORDINGS				
25ft & Under	Lee Soest	Lady	4kg	13.00kg	3.25 to 1
Land Based	NO RECORDINGS				

**- Heaviest Bronze Whaler Shark Category 2014-15 Season -**

Boat Category	Anglers Name	Anglers Division	Line Class	Weight	Points
Over 25ft	Shaun Ossitt	Senior	15kg	129.50kg	863.33
25ft & Under	NBen Kapur	Junior	10kg	51.00kg	510.00
Land Based	NO RECORDINGS				

## - Most Meritorious Bronze Whaler Shark Category 2014-15 Season -

Boat Category	Anglers Name	Anglers Division	Line Class	Weight	Ratio
Over 25ft	Shaun Ossitt	Senior	15kg	129.50kg	8.63 to 1
25ft & Under	Ben Kapur	Junior	10kg	51.00kg	5.1 to 1
Land Based	NO RECORDINGS				

## - Heaviest SBF Tuna Category 2014-15 Season -

Boat Category	Anglers Name	Anglers Division	Line Class	Weight	Points
Over 25ft	Rolf Czabayski	Senior	6kg	20.30kg	338.00
Over 25ft	Gabriella Gabbana	Lady	8kg	17.50kg	218.75
25ft & Under	Jerry Burt	Senior	6kg	20.90kg	348.33
25ft & Under	Tracey Tito	Lady	6kg	29.00	483.33
25ft & Under	Ben Kapur	Junior	6kg	18.00kg	300.00
Land Based	NO RECORDINGS				

## - Most Meritorious SBF Tuna Category 2014-15 Season -

Boat Category	Anglers Name	Anglers Division	Line Class	Weight	Ratio
Over 25ft	Rolf Czabayski	Senior	6kg	20.30kg	1.6 to 1
Over 25ft	Gabriella Gabbana	Lady	8kg	17.50kg	2.18 to 1
25ft & Under	Jerry Burt	Senior	6kg	20.90kg	3.48 to 1
25ft & Under	Tracey Tito	Lady	6kg	29.00	4.83 to 1
25ft & Under	Ben Kapur	Junior	6kg	18.00kg	3.00 to 1
Land Based	NO RECORDINGS				

# Recorded GFAA Fresh Water Species

## - Heaviest Rainbow Trout Category 2014-15 Season -

Boat Category	Anglers Name	Anglers Division	Line Class	Weight	Points
Land Based	Shaun Ossitt	Senior	1kg	1.12kg	112.00

## - Most Meritorious Rainbow Trout Category 2014-15 Season -

Boat Category	Anglers Name	Anglers Division	Line Class	Weight	Ratio
Land Based	Shaun Ossitt	Senior	1kg	1.12kg	1.12.to 1

## - Heaviest European Carp Category 2014-15 Season -

Boat Category	Anglers Name	Anglers Division	Line Class	Weight	Points
Land Based	Lee Soest	Lady	1kg	5.20kg	520.00
Land Based	Wayne Greenshields	Senior	1kg	2.50kg	250.00

## - Most Meritorious European Carp Category 2014-15 Season -

Boat Category	Anglers Name	Anglers Division	Line Class	Weight	Ratio
Land Base	Lee Soest	Lady	1kg	3.29kg	3.29 to 1
Land Based	Wayne Greenshields	Senior	1kg	2.50kg	2.50 to 1

## - Most Meritorious Silver Perch Category 2014-15 Season -

Boat Category	Anglers Name	Anglers Division	Line Class	Weight	Ratio
Land Base	Lee Soest	Lady	1kg	1.11kg	1.11 to 1

## - Heaviest Silver Perch Category 2014-15 Season -

Boat Category	Anglers Name	Anglers Division	Line Class	Weight	Score
Land Base	Lee Soest	Lady	1kg	1.11kg	111.0

## - Heaviest Golden Perch Category 2014-15 Season -

Boat Category	Anglers Name	Anglers Division	Line Class	Weight	Points
Land Base	Lee Soest	Lady	1kg	1.50kg	150.0

## - Most Meritorious Golden Perch Category 2014-15 Season -

Boat Category	Anglers Name	Anglers Division	Line Class	Weight	Ratio
Land Base	Lee Soest	Lady	1kg	1.50kg	1.50 to 1



## GFAA Eligible Gamefish Species - Tag & Release

<b>Albacore</b> <i>Thunnus alalunga</i>	<b>Marlin, black **</b> <i>Makaira indica</i>	<b>Shark, thresher *</b> <i>Alopias spp.</i>	<b>Tuna, skipjack</b> <i>Katsuwonus pelamis</i>
<b>Amberjack</b> <i>Seriola dumerilii</i>	<b>Marlin, Pacific blue **</b> <i>Makaira nigricans</i>	<b>Shark, tiger *</b> <i>Galeocerdo cuvier</i>	<b>Tuna, southern bluefin</b> <i>Thunnus maccoyii</i>
<b>Barracuda</b> <i>Sphyraena spp.</i>	<b>Marlin, Striped **</b> <i>Tetrapturus audax</i>	<b>Shark, whaler *</b> <i>Carcharinus spp.</i>	<b>Tuna, yellowfin</b> <i>Thunnus albacares</i>
<b>Bonito</b> <i>Sarda spp.</i>	<b>Rainbow Runner</b> <i>Elagtis bipinnulatus</i>	<b>Spearfish **</b> <i>Tetrapturus spp.</i>	<b>Wahoo</b> <i>Acanthocybium solandri</i>
<b>Broadbill **</b> <i>Xiphias gladius</i>	<b>Sailfish **</b> <i>Istiophorus platypterus</i>	<b>Trevally, big eye</b> <i>Caranx sexfasciatus</i>	<b>BY STATE</b>  South Australia, Victoria and Western Australia (south of the Tropic of Capricorn) ONLY
<b>Cobia</b> <i>Rachycentron canadum</i>	<b>Samson fish</b> <i>Seriola hippos</i>	<b>Trevally, giant</b> <i>Caranx ignobilis</i>	
<b>Eagle Ray</b> <i>Myliobatis australis</i>	<b>Queenfish</b> <i>Scomberoides spp.</i>	<b>Trevally, gold spot</b> <i>Carangoides fulvoguttatus</i>	<b>Trevally, silver ***</b> <i>Pseudocaranx dentex</i> (35cm minimum size)
<b>Kingfish (yellowtail)</b> <i>Seriola lalandi</i> (70cm minimum size)	<b>Shark, blue *</b> <i>Prionace glauca</i>	<b>Trevally, golden</b> <i>Gnathanodon speciosus</i>	
<b>Mackerel, broad barred</b> <i>Scomberomorus semifasciatus</i>	<b>Shark, gummy *</b> <i>Mustelus antarcticus</i>	<b>Tuna, bigeye</b> <i>Thunnus obesus</i>	<b>Snapper ***</b> <i>Pagrus auratus</i> (40cm minimum size)
<b>Mackerel, narrow barred</b> <i>Scomberomorus commerson</i>	<b>Shark, hammerhead *</b> <i>Sphyrna spp.</i>	<b>Tuna, bluefin</b> <i>Thunnus thynnus orientalis</i>	<b>Salmon, Australian ***</b> <i>Arripis trutta</i> (40cm minimum size)
<b>Mackerel, shark</b> <i>Grammatocynus bicarinatus</i>	<b>Shark, mako *</b> <i>Isurus spp.</i>	<b>Tuna, dogtooth</b> <i>Gymnosarda unicolor</i>	<b>Mulloway (Jewfish)</b> <i>Argyrosomus japonicus</i>
<b>Mackerel, spotted</b> <i>Scomberomorus spp.</i>	<b>Shark, porbeagle *</b> <i>Lamna nasus</i>	<b>Tuna, longtail</b> <i>Thunnus tonggol</i>	
<b>Mahi Mahi (dolphinfish)</b> <i>Coryphaena spp.</i>	<b>Shark, school (tope) *</b> <i>Galeorhinus galeus</i>	<b>Tuna, mackerel (kawa kawa)</b> <i>Euthynnus affinis</i>	

### NOTES:

- All species must be a minimum of 60cm in length except sharks & where specified above
- All Sharks [\*] are to be tagged with the Metal Shark Tag and must be a minimum of 100cm In Length
- Billfish \*\*[\*\*] are to be tagged with the Billfish tag
- Species marked with [\*\*\*] are to be tagged with the small pelagic gamefish tag
- JUNIOR TOURNAMENT - Maximum of 5 tagged fish of any one species to be entered on any one day

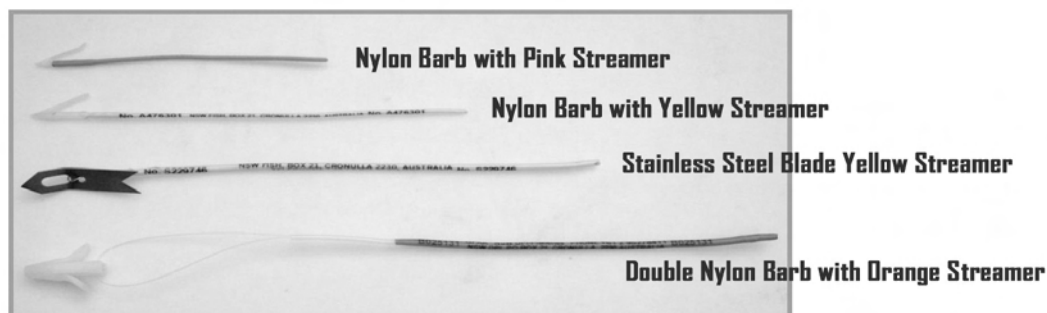
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“How do I know if my line will break at the said breaking strain?”

I asked this question of Peter Babarskas from Western Australia recently. Peter is G.F.A.A.'s official line tester. Using the table of specifications of name brand lines and their diameters he measures the line to determine if that particular line is within the breaking strain measurements. To test a line he soaks it in distilled water for 2 hours before testing occurs. It is placed on a machine that pulls the line till it breaks and records this measurement. This is done a minimum of 3 times and no more than 5 times. The end result is averaged and the breaking strain of that line is classified.

For record claims the angler must specify which line class they are applying for and that determines the test results. It must break under the applied line class and above the line class below.

The chart below has the line diameter measurements of the most popular game lines. With Tuna season just around the corner it will be time to check you gear and line. Check that the line is not too old and been effected by the UV rays while in storage. It would be a pity to miss out on an Australian or State record by not checking. The club has a line testing machine that will give you a guide as to what the line on a reel is classed if you have forgotten. This is inside the club rooms and as I said it will be a guide only as it is not certified or measure the line diameter if you know the brand name.



## Line Manufacturers Pretest Line Diameter Specs

Makes of Line with IGFA Rating	1kg	2kg	3kg	4kg	6kg	8kg	10kg	15kg	24kg	37kg	60kg
Ande	0.13mm	0.175mm	0.22mm	0.25mm	0.325mm	0.375mm	0.425mm	0.525mm	0.7mm	0.85mm	1.201mm
Dual						0.35mm	0.39mm	0.49mm	0.65mm		
Hawk	0.12mm	0.18mm	0.22mm	0.25mm	0.325mm	0.375mm	0.425mm	0.525mm	0.65mm	0.85mm	1.301mm
Maxima	0.12mm	0.22mm	0.24mm	0.27mm	0.33mm	0.39mm	0.42mm	0.54mm	0.73mm	0.92mm	1.22mm
Momoi Hi -Catch				0.28mm	0.35mm	0.4mm	0.45mm	0.57mm	0.74mm	0.91mm	1.17mm
Platypus Pre Test	0.13mm	0.201mm	0.23mm	0.28mm	0.32mm	0.39mm	0.44mm	0.54mm	0.72mm	0.87mm	1.101mm
Shogun					0.281mm	0.329mm	0.327mm	0.461mm	0.605mm	0.775mm	
Stren			0.23mm	0.28mm	0.36mm	0.41mm	0.45mm	0.56mm	0.71mm	0.89mm	1.12mm
Sufix Ultra Supeme	0.13mm	0.18mm	0.20mm	0.25mm	0.30mm	0.35mm	0.40mm	0.48mm	0.64mm	0.80mm	1.00mm
Trilene					0.301mm	0.34mm	0.41mm	0.47mm	0.63mm	0.76mm	
Tortue	0.12mm	0.2mm	0.22mm	0.24mm	0.32mm	0.35mm	0.4mm	0.5mm	0.65mm	0.85mm	1.10mm
Penn International				0.27mm	0.32mm	0.37mm	0.42mm	0.52mm	0.68mm	0.86mm	1.10mm





Rolf Czabayski  
IGFA Rep

Dear Members,

I hope your all have had a nice X-Mass and New Year.

Thank you to does members who taken up IGFA Membership for only \$40-00 US a year, I am sure you would enjoy the new IGFA year book you received and newsletters in the future, so you can see what happens in fishing anywhere in the world including you can check, on all World Records and there may be some you can break. Give me a call on 0408364488 if you like to join IGFA. I can help you to become a Member quickly.

**I have been asked the question many times in regards to scales and world record weighing of Fish and certifying a scale after weighing a Potential World Record.**

### ***Question:***

*I will be going fishing next week in pursuit of an IGFA World Record. However, just realized that my scale has not been certified within the past year, and I will be unable to have it re-certified before embarking on my trip .If i am lucky enough to catch the right fish, would it be within IGFA rules for me to properly weigh and document the fish, and then send in my scale for certification, after the fish has been weighed?*

### ***Answer:***

*This is a great question and one that many anglers encounter, whether they actively pursuing a World Record or not. ,First of all be IGFA requires that “all scales must be regular checked for accuracy and certified in accordance with applicable government regulations at least once every twelve months. In other words, the scale must be certified every year. That said ,IGFA rules also state that “if at the time of weighing the fish the scale has not been properly certified within twelve month, it should be checked and certified for accuracy as quickly as possible “*

However, anglers should be aware that if they weigh a fish on the scale that is out of certification, they run the risk of the scale not checking out, in which case, the catch would not be eligible for a World Record. If you should find yourself in this situation, it is a good idea to weigh the fish on another scale, if possible. That way, you have a back-up in case the original scale cannot be certified.

My suggestion is to you ,if you have a scale, get it certified every year on regular bases.

Ring me and I will let you know ,where you can go.

Rolf Czabayski

IGFA South Australian Representative .



The G.F.C. of S.A. started a historical photo album of captures of fish from members, fishing personalities and boat pictures from 1937, but it is not up to date and is incomplete.

We have photos from members back to approximately 1977.

I will make it my duty to update the album to the present date. I have already started to enter some photos and update the presidents photos, but I do need help, from you the members, who would like to be included in this Album, by sending me photos of your boat, special fish captures and any photos of interest from circa 1977 to the present.

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# A Trip to the Patch

The Cabbage Patch-my new favourite spot

A few weeks ago club weight recorder Wayne Greenshields and I were offered the opportunity to join club secretary Rolf Czabayski for a few days fishing onboard his 025ft vessel 'Galaxy Star'. Rolf has an enviable reputation of being able to rack up some serious Southern Blue fin Tuna numbers throughout the fishing season and to be honest I was keen to see just how he and his crew go about it.

After a short drive in Wayne's new 300c 'weapon' (and I mean short!) we arrived in Lincoln and we joked Rolf already had the engines running, we planned on steaming around to Memory Cove that evening and onward to the Cabbage patch the following day. It was pretty smooth sailing hugging the coastline westward and we were soon tight on the anchor and filling the live bait tank with Eyre Peninsula's finest tommies. I had secretly devised a plan for the following day if we could convince Rolf to stop over one of the pinnacles and drop for whatever was showing on his big twin Simrads 19" screens.

As it turned out the Tuna bite was good and we racked up around 20 fish mostly on 6kg nylon before the mid-morning bite waned.



I had been watching showings of bigger fish deep on the ledges that fringe 'the patch' and I eventually convinced Rolf to let me have a drop.

I don't think anyone has claimed down the Galaxy star ladder as quickly as I did that morning, and in a nano second a medium sized Tommie was rigged and dispatched to the bottom.



The take was instant and I was soon tight to what turned out to be my first Samson fish, only a pup by the species standards, but I didn't care. Rolf and Wayne could see my excitement and I snipped the live bait rig straight off handed it to Wayne so he could have a go whilst I rigged a 200g Daiwa sacrifice jig. They loved this too, as did a handful of good sized Trevally.



Unfortunately we thought the boat didn't have any pink tags onboard so I missed the opportunity of my 9th species for the year. It didn't matter though as when I turned to the opposite corner Wayne was on and getting 'railed' on 10kg dacon.

He eventually boated that fish and although I went 500g or so short of line class it was still a great first capture Samson fish. Rolf even got in on the act boating one around 8kg on 10kg dacon. We didn't find the monster we were chasing, but I did get two big bust offs. One on the jig and another on the final live bait drop of the day. We ended up boating around 10 Samson fish and a half a doz good sized trevs and a few kick-ass nannies. Life was good.



The afternoon Tuna bit was slower this day so we tucked into Williams Island for the night with expectations high for an Eagle Ray and possibly a Shark. Darkness was upon us when my 3kg outfit screamed off with 17.5kg of Eagle Ray attached, despite heckling from Rolf, well needed support from Wayne and three or four laps of the boat, I boated that Eaglie and at 5.83:1 ratio, it currently leads the most meritorious standings for that species in the O25ft category.

After dinner Wayne retired for bed and Rolf was down in the engine room, I decided to rig my shark line. I have tried locally a few times this year without turning a reel. To be honest I was unsure if I was doing things right, but to my amazement I baited a Tuna bloodline onto a *Top Shot tackle* 10/0 shark rig, making sure I trimmed the bait to allow good hook exposure and drifted it back to the edge of light cast by Galaxy star's overhead deck lights.

The bite was almost instant and I was tight and losing line fast. "Im on Rolf" I yelled down into the engine room cavity- "what" he replied, I'm sure in disbelief.

To cut a long story short, I played a safe hand, taking things easy on this, my first good Bronze Whaler Shark. One hour and fifteen minutes later we were able to secure the Shark and its vitals were recorded.

I was exhausted, a combination of a prolonged fight time, dehydration, sunstroke and probably one too many beers with dinner had me well and truly shattered. Afterwards I was in shock and on a high at the same time, it was brought to my attention that I had capture a game fish, tagged a game fish, captured an Eagle Ray and captured a Shark all in the space of 14 hours.

Wayne and Rolf both re-iterated the fact that this feat is amazing but I was a bit shocked and it certainly took a while to sink in. Galaxy Star is now in the running for Champion Boat, and I am also in the running for Champion male O25ft, despite owning a vessel under 25ft.

I would like to take this opportunity to publically thank both Wayne and Rolf, who assisted with the capture.

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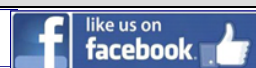
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### SOCIAL EVENTS

<b>2014 AGM</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- August 20th 2014</li> <li>7 pm for a 7-30pm start</li> <li>Adelaide clubrooms</li> </ul> <b>Finished</b>
<b>2014 Annual Trophy Presentation</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- August 23rd 2014</li> <li>7:00pm till late</li> <li>Ayres House - A Black Tie event</li> <li>(Invitations by mail / e-mail)</li> </ul> <b>Finished</b>
<b>Club Opening Day</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Adelaide Sept 28th 2014 (Sunday) At the clubrooms</li> <li>(details to be advised by mail / e-mail)</li> <li>- Port Lincoln Sept 21st 2014 (Sunday)</li> <li>(Final details TBA)</li> </ul> <b>Finished</b>
<b>-Tackle Night - 'How to TUNA'</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Adelaide Oct 15th 2014 (Wednesday)</li> <li>7:00 pm at clubroom</li> <li>'All aspects of targeting Tuna'</li> <li>- Port Lincoln Oct 19th 2014 (Sunday)</li> <li>(Final details TBA)</li> </ul> <b>Finished</b>
<b>Christmas BBQ</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Adelaide Dec 7th 2014 (Sunday)</li> <li>12:00pm clubrooms</li> <li>RSAYS Quarter deck</li> <li>- Port Lincoln Nov 30th (Sunday)</li> <li>(Final details TBA)</li> </ul> <b>Finished</b>
<b>-Tackle Night - 'Blue Water Classic prep'</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Adelaide Feb 4th 2015 (Wednesday)</li> <li>7:00 pm at clubrooms</li> <li>'All aspects of Blue water Classic preparation'</li> <li>- PT Lincoln Feb 8th 2015(Sunday)</li> <li>(Final details TBA)</li> </ul> <b>Finished</b>
<b>-Tackle Night - 'Swordfishing'</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Adelaide May 20th (Wednesday) 7:00 pm at clubrooms</li> <li>'Day and Night fishing for Broadbill Swordfish'</li> <li>with Capt. Rolf Czabayski</li> <li>PT Lincoln May 2015(Sunday) - (Final details TBA)</li> </ul>
<b>2015 Annual Trophy Presentation</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- On a Saturday night in July 2015</li> <li>(All Further details TBA)</li> <li>A Black Tie event (Invitations by mail / e-mail)</li> </ul>
<b>2015 AGM</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- On a Wednesday in July 2015 starting at 7 pm</li> <li>At the GFCSA clubrooms (Further details TBA)</li> </ul>

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# Social and Tournaments Calendar

## 2014-2015



# FISHING EVENTS & TOURNAMENTS



## All Species Challenge

July 1st 2014 – to 14th Sept

### CATEGORIES:

All waters, All line classes  
The most species reordered for the challenge  
Highest Point Scoring: Angler & Boat  
Highest Tag Point Scoring: Angler & Boat  
In all Categories & Divisions  
GFAA species and equipment rules apply!

**Finished**



## Snapper/Kingfish/Salmon Challenge

Friday 1st Oct — Sunday 2nd Nov 2014

### CATEGORIES:

All waters, All line classes  
Most Meritorious: Snapper, Yellowtail Kingfish & Salmon  
Heaviest: Snapper, Yellowtail Kingfish and Salmon  
Highest Point Scoring: Angler & Boat  
Highest Tag Point Scoring: Angler & Boat  
In all Categories & Divisions  
GFAA equipment rules apply!

**Finished**



## TUNA Shark & Eagle Ray Challenge

Sat 1st Nov 2014 — Sun 1st Feb 2015

### CATEGORIES:

All waters, 15kg line & under  
Most Meritorious: Tuna, Shark & Eagle Ray  
Heaviest: Tuna, Shark & Eagle  
Highest Point Scoring: Angler & Boat  
Highest Tag Point Scoring: Angler & Boat  
In all Categories & Divisions  
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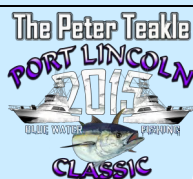
## The Ardrossan Fantastic fishing fortnight

Sat 14 – Sun 15th & Sat 21st- Sun 22st  
Feb 2015

### CATEGORIES:

Gulf St Vincent only, 8kg lines and under  
Heaviest Shark/Eagle Ray  
Heaviest Snapper  
Highest Point Scoring: Angler overall  
Highest Point Scoring: Junior overall  
Highest Point Scoring: Boat overall  
GFAA species and equipment rules apply!

**Finished**



## 2015 "The Peter Teakle" Port Lincoln Blue Water Classic

Briefing: 14th March (Saturday)  
Tournament: 15th-19th March  
Presentation: 20th March (Friday)

### CATEGORIES:

Tournament Base at "Memory Cove"  
Heaviest & Most Meritorious GFAA Species  
Champion, Angler & Boat  
Highest Point Scoring: Angler & Boat  
Highest Tag Point Scoring: Angler & Boat  
In all Categories & Divisions  
GFAA species and equipment rules apply!  
Rules, Times and Criteria to be issued at the briefing

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## 2015 'Ultralight' Challenge

Sat 7th of June to Sun 15th

### CATEGORIES:

All Waters- All GFAA Species - 6kg line and under  
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- 4 Continue passing the swivel through both loops six or seven times.
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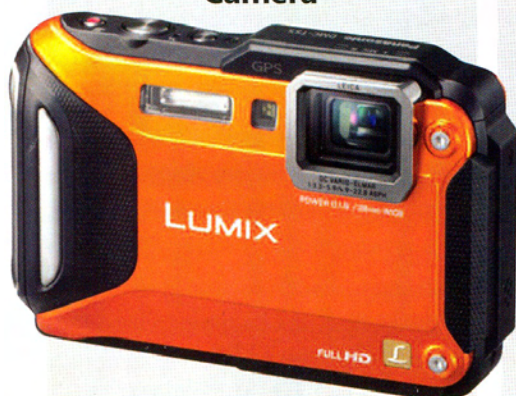
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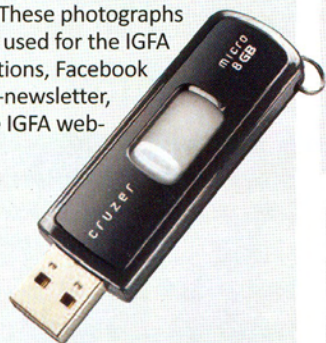
One of the great things about fishing is that every time you go, you have a chance to catch a world record. So whether you are in pursuit of a record, or just catch one by accident, it is always best to be prepared. Here are a few things you might want to keep on hand during every trip:

## Camera



A waterproof, shockproof digital camera with good resolution for images is best.

The IGFA requires that pictures be submitted with each world record application. It is best to use a digital camera with at least 3 megapixel resolution and provide a flash drive or disk with the photos to the IGFA or just email them to [jvitek@igfa.org](mailto:jvitek@igfa.org). As a last resort print your digital pictures on high quality photo paper. Do not send in digital pictures that have been printed on plain paper unless the printer is capable of printing quality photographs on quality photo paper. These photographs may be used for the IGFA publications, Facebook page, e-newsletter, and the IGFA website.



A flash drive or CD is best for mailing the images of your potential world record to the IGFA World Records Department.

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# 2015



## Port Lincoln Blue Water Classic

*Briefing Sat 14th of March 2015 at the Lincoln Cove Marina Hotel  
Starting at 6:30pm, with Drinks and Finger Food*

*Fishing Starts Sun 15th of March finishing on Thur 19th of March*

*Tournament Presentation Friday Night the 20th of March  
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**By Capt. Peter Wright**

**T**RADITIONALLY, BIG-GAME fishermen connected their main line to the leader with a snap swivel, which was tied directly to the end of the line or to a section of doubled line from a Bimini twist. Whatever connector you used, it only needed to be as strong as the doubled line since, until the mate got a grip on the leader, the pressure applied to the snap swivel connection wouldn't go beyond the double line strength.

For decades the strongest leader anyone used was 0.035-inch-diameter tinned music wire. Most healthy young wire men could, with protec-

tive gloves, hold on tight enough to break the 330-pound wire. For this wire to break, the mate must be stretched out past the danger point. There may be some mates out there who can break 0.035 piano wire with partially bent arms, but I have never met one.

Everything changed when monofilament leaders came into vogue. Most billfish crews now use ridiculously strong leader material to have enough residual strength left to let a mate control the fish, even after the fish's bill has chafed the leader. The bigger the marlin and the longer the fight, the greater the initial strength of the leader needs to be. Unfortunately, this

can result in a potentially dangerous situation if the mate can't break the leader in an emergency.

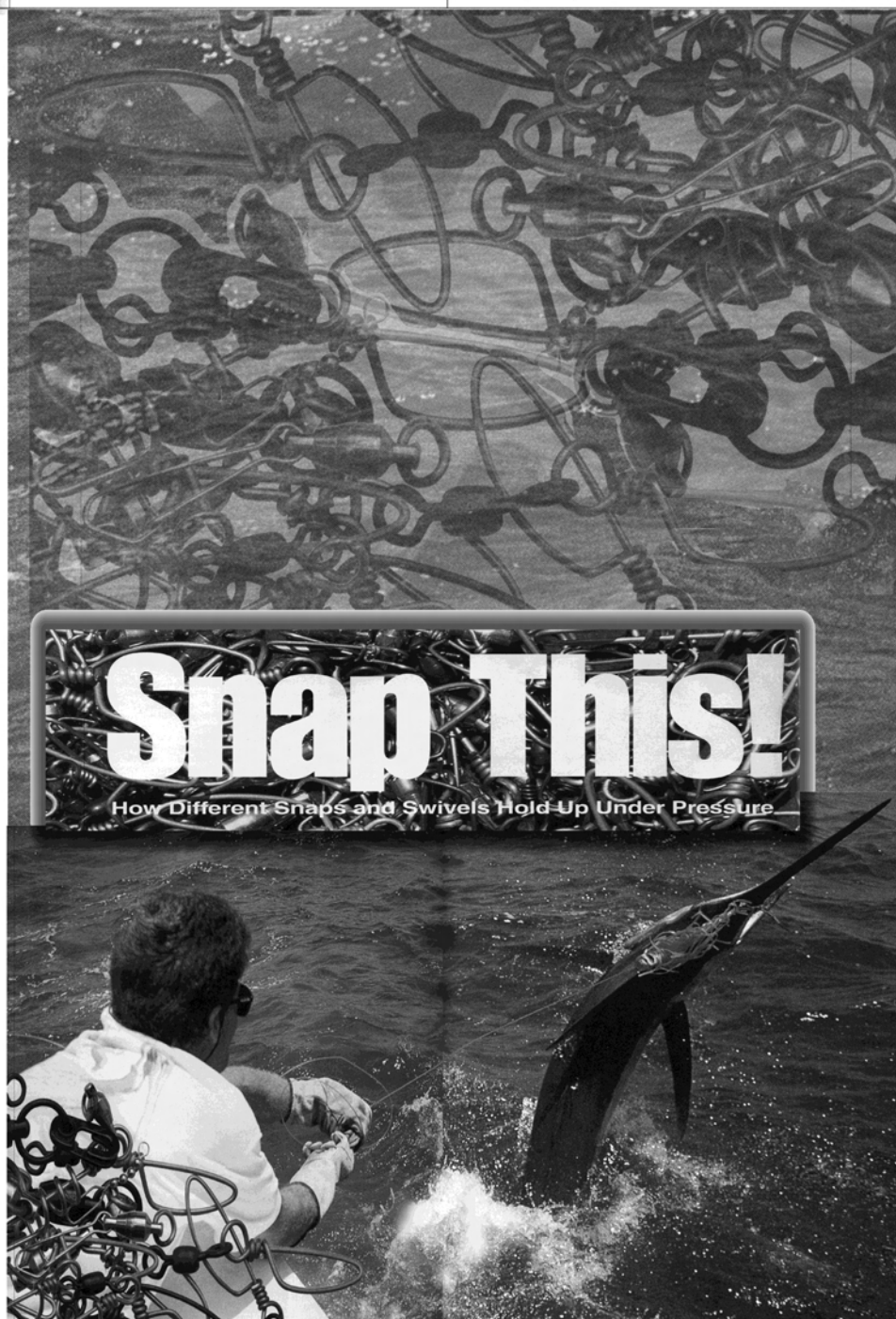
With the advent of wind-on leaders, connections between the wind-on leader and the trace leader needed to be stronger, much stronger, than the ones previously used to connect the double line to the leader. Since the swivel connection is down close to the fish with wind-on leaders, it must be able to bear the brunt of a strong wire man who's tugging on 500-pound mono. Some of the commonly used swivels and snaps did not make the grade and failed under the stresses generated by adrenaline-stoked mates.

These days I see more and more crews forgoing the use of a snap swivel and crimping both the wind-on leader and the trace leader directly to a plain, heavy-duty swivel. Having spent a couple of weeks with a giant testing machine breaking crimped connections, I have wondered if this was not a case of jumping out of the frying pan and into the fire.

I reasoned that since most crews often use mismatched sleeves and crimping tools, they might actually wind up with a weaker connection between the two sections of leader than if they'd use a swivel connection. Since most amateurs have a much better chance of getting one crimp done well than getting several to hold properly, I decided to test some swivels, snaps and other connections to see how they stood up under the pressure of heavy-tackle leaders.

Also of major importance is the consideration of speed in making lure or bait changes. Speed is a major factor in separating the best from the rest, and one of the highest accolades a professional deckhand can acquire is a reputation for being fast. A good snap swivel or other quick-change device takes a small fraction of the time to change a lure or natural bait than recrimping does.

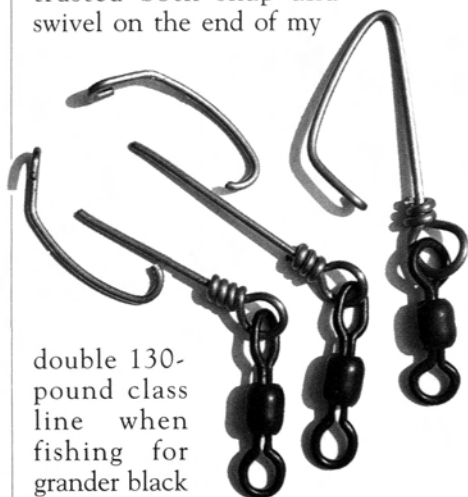
We tested three kinds of swivels: the basic barrel, torpedo and ball-bearing swivels. We also tested to destruction four different quick-change connectors from a variety of sources. Most came from an enormous box full of snap swivels left over from an old photo shoot. This replicated a situation you might find on almost any boat since most snaps and swivels are not kept in their original packs, and manufacturing standards differ widely.





## Common Snap Swivels

Our first test was on an ordinary snap swivel. We chose a big, good-looking snap and swivel from our overflowing box. Steve Carl at Hi-Liner Fishing Supply assured me it was most definitely a SAMPO swivel and the largest size they made. We did not know who made the wire snap. Just looking at them I would have trusted both snap and swivel on the end of my



double 130-pound class line when fishing for grander black marlin or giant bluefin tuna. The snap, as we expected, turned out to be the weak link.

On two consecutive tests, as the dial on the line-testing machine reached 250 pounds, the snap started to slip. The snap changed shape but held fast, until eventually breaking at 400 pounds on the first test and 460 pounds on the second. When we pulled on one of the swivels without

Traditional trolling-style snap swivels work fine for most applications, and most broke close to their rated strength.

the snap, it finally broke at a savage 730 pounds.

Since most anglers cannot attain 400-pound crimped connections in even 500-pound leader, I would use and recommend this snap and swivel even in the middle of a wind-on leader, if it was all that was available. (See "Regular Trolling Snaps.")

## Leg Splitters

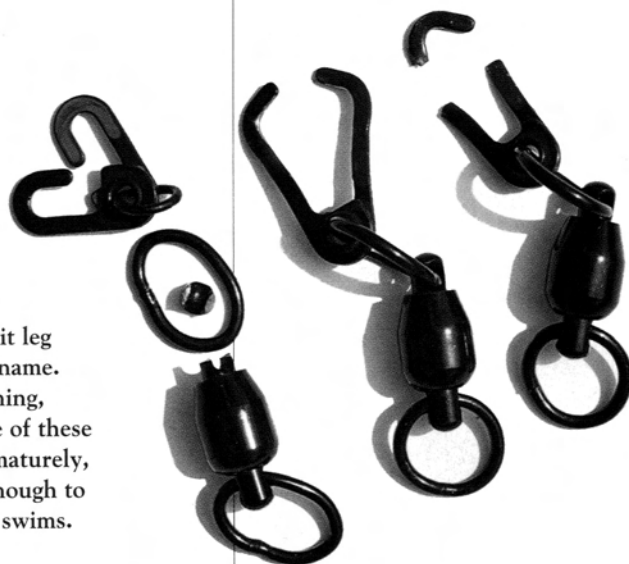
Nowadays I always use wind-on leaders when seeking giant marlin. I need a strong connection that can take the heat my young, healthy mates put on a leader when we have a monster marlin alongside the boat. Lately, for this purpose I've used the Hi-Catch ball-bearing swivel with the Escape Proof snap that my boys commonly refer to as a "leg splitter." (See "Escape Proof.")

We tested several of these swivels

and connectors that were rated at 500 pounds. The worst result, which was still a good one, was a failure at 475 pounds — four other tests hung in anywhere from 485 pounds to 580 pounds. Failure over 500 pounds occurred on both legs of the connector and the stem of the swivel through which a ring is passed. One swivel we tested without the leg-splitter snap finally broke at 1,050 pounds.

Split legs with a lower rating still use the same connector until they get under 250 pounds, then they just switch to using smaller swivels. All sizes of the Hi-Catch ball-bearing swivels usually tested over their rating or at worst were a only few pounds under.

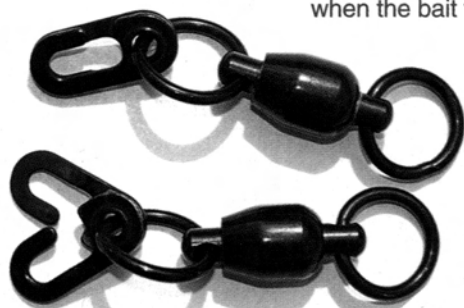
In the really miniature sizes, the tiny leg splitter used would limit the size of the leader that could be connected to it, but is way stronger than



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## Escape Proof

When Ed DuBois, inventor of the Escape Proof split leg swivel, first sent me some of his new, unusual looking connectors, I figured from the way that they looked they would be stronger than normal snaps. I gave them a try in Cairns, but after a bit of use, they would become very loose and the legs would swing freely with little friction. On rough days, we lost a couple of natural baits and their hooks that we had rigged on single-strand wire. The loop in the wire leader pushed the legs open when the bait tugged and jerked from the motion of the outrigger in the choppy seas, and then the wire fell off the open snap.



Fortunately, we never lost a fish because of this, and although we found we could indeed pull plenty hard on this connector, we were afraid to keep using them. We used the same large ball-bearing swivel but switched to small, 5/32-inch stainless-steel shackles to make leader changes. (See "Shackles.")

About three years ago, Hi-Liner's John Drouet showed me how to "tune" the connectors my mates call "leg splitters." By using a hand-crimping tool to squeeze the grommet that goes through both legs, you can adjust the friction so the legs can be quickly and easily opened to change baits or lures but will not open up by mistake in even the roughest weather. We have not lost a fish in the past three years through any failure of these ball-bearing swivels with the unusual looking connector. I recommend them highly.

the swivel that designates the rating.

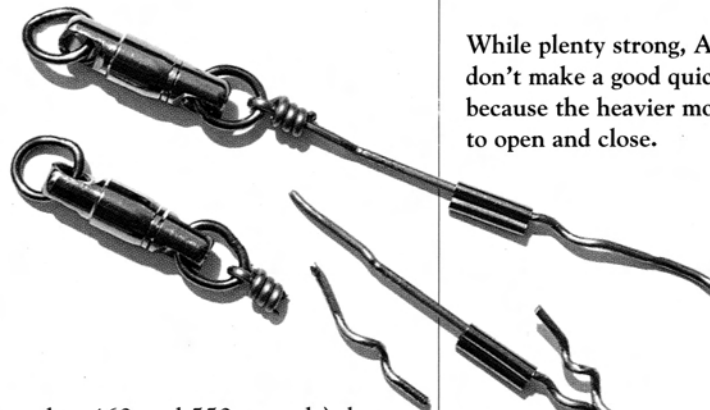
This is a consistently strong device that also allows quick and easy changes of leaders. I recommend it for the heaviest tackle and the biggest fish in the ocean.

## Pigtails

The biggest disappointment of our day's testing came when we tested "pigtails." This is a device I first saw in Hawaii years ago and have used all over the world in years since. The pigtail is supposed to have the advantage of never having a leader loop fall out of its grasp, and I have never heard of this happening. On the downside, pigtails are large, heavy and look like something a wahoo or barracuda would love to strike.

The heavy pigtails on Yo-Zuri 9-mm swivels were plenty strong (they

While they may fit the bill for light-tackle applications, pig tails should stay in the box when you're pursuing larger billfish.



While plenty strong, Aussie haywires don't make a good quick-change device because the heavier models are difficult to open and close.

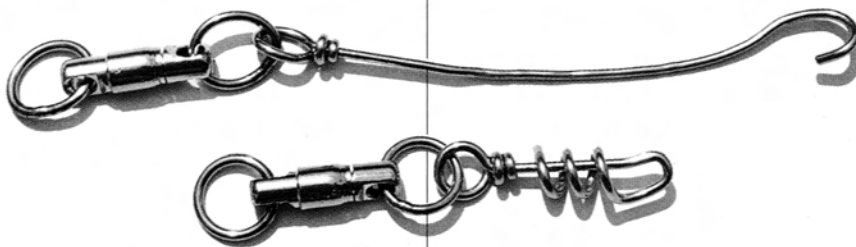
slipped at 460 and 550 pounds), but it was impossible for us to wind a loop of heavy nylon or cable leader around the convoluted twist. We had to use a small stainless shackle to test their strength.

We also tested two SAMPO pigtails from our box. We were able to wind our leader loops onto their lighter wire curlicues, but they failed, by straightening out, at a mild-mannered 175 and 200 pounds. I would not use them on large marlin or tuna.



## Aussie Haywire

I had seen, but never used, a clever-looking device called a Aussie Haywire connector and swivel. To make these devices, ultraheavy wire is twisted in a haywire wrap, like the one we create when making loops in single-strand wire leader, with a double-barreled sleeve slipped down over the tag end of the wrap. There is no



## "Regular" Trolling Snaps & Swivels

The most commonly used style of snap swivel has one simple drawback: Under just the wrong set of conditions, it's possible for the loop of the leader to twist inside the loop of the snap and pull on the snap in a way that opens the snap connection. Most pros, myself included, have at one time or another caught a fish where the snap was open but still held the leader.

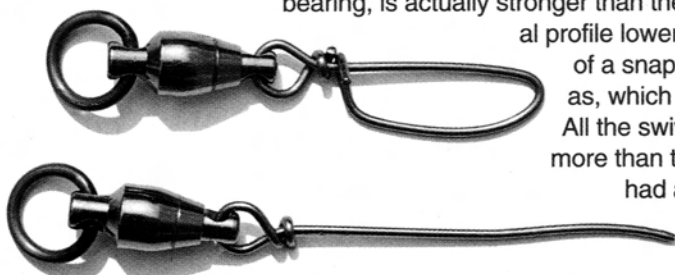
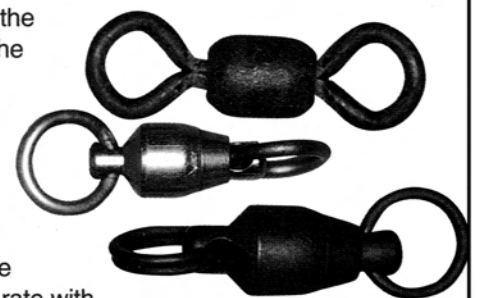
I have used snap swivels in the middle of wind-on leaders, but I usually try to have the snap far enough from the hook to keep it from pressing up against the fish during the course of the fight and popping open.

On the positive side, using a good, strong snap swivel makes a huge difference in the speed in which changes can be made. This quickness can radically increase your catch rate with only a very rare fish being lost due to a snap opening in the midst of a fight.

Interestingly, giant bluefin tuna anglers often use "tuna snaps" without the swivel even though the swivel, either barrel or ball-bearing, is actually stronger than the snap. The rationale is that the swivel's larger size, weight and visu-

al profile lower the chance of getting a tuna bite. In the Bahamas, the large profile of a snap swivel might also draw the attention of the ever-present barracudas, which may mistake the swivel for a small baitfish and cut you off.

All the swivels we tested that had ratings posted tested nearly as much or more than their rated strength, with the exception of one 300-pound swivel that had a ring break at 110 pounds (stuff happens). Every other swivel we tested, including several more of the one that failed prematurely, held up sensationally.





## Shackles

If you find yourself short on any kind of good quick-change connector but have plenty of heavy-duty swivels, there is an easy way out. Head down to any good marine hardware store (West Marine and Lewis Marine are two examples), especially if small sailboats are popular in the area. Buy some of the smallest stainless-steel shackles you can find (I prefer 5/32-inch). Use the shackle as a connection between the swivel ring and the loop of your leader. We prefer the shackles that use a flat pin to the kind with a slit head. My boys always carry their fishing pliers but rarely have a screwdriver in their pocket. After a quick turn from their pliers, we've never had a failure of any kind over the many years we've used them in Cairns.

We stopped our lone test on three interconnected shackles at 1,300 pounds, and although they were slightly twisted out of shape and couldn't be opened, they were still hanging tough.



Shackles hold up incredibly well under tremendous pressures and also make it easy for mates to change baits quickly.



chance of a leader getting free from this connector.

However, the heaviest Aussie Haywire, which was rated at 600 pounds, was almost impossible to open, and the initial effort required even strong-handed men to use pliers. After three or four openings and closings, it did become a bit easier to work. A strong man could do it without pliers, but it wasn't easy. Women and boys would have trouble trying to make leader changes with this device, and you could forget about doing it with any speed.

The 600-pound Aussie Haywire did not reach its advertised strength but would have been acceptable at a 500-pound rating since it failed at 485, 475 and 580 pounds. The Yo-Zuri 9-mm swivel (which was not rated in pounds) never failed with the Haywire Aussie connected to it. When, during later tests on swivels, we tested it solo, the Yo-Zuri 9-mm broke at 525 and 650 pounds. The 9-mm Yo-Zuri swivel, combined with a 600-pound Aussie Haywire connection, makes for a strong device, but it can be difficult and slow to use.

The 400-pound Aussie Haywire worked much better as a quick-change connector. After a slightly difficult first opening, we could open and close it fairly easily with bare hands. It almost lived up to its rated strength and failed at 370 and 360 pounds.

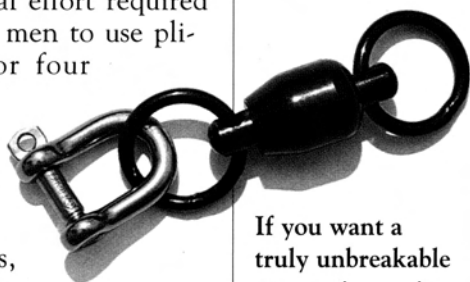
This is a better connector for serious marlin fishermen, and any mate who breaks one is way too strong and macho for his own good.

The 300-pound haywire failed at 250 pounds and was easier still to use. When Aussie Haywire connectors of any size failed, they invariably went through the following scenario. The haywire part would slip slightly, then hold for the rest of the test. The haywire part itself never let go on a test to destruction, although the double-barreled crimp would often come free of the tag end of the haywire twist when it made its first little movement.

Just before the ultimate, catastrophic failure, the barrel wrap that held the connector to the swivel would start to slip. Finally, the wire of which the device was formed would break in the barrel, and the haywire wrap itself would break free from the swivel.

For light and medium tackle, I would not be afraid to use the smaller Aussie Haywire devices, and there is no fear of it accidentally opening. Its slim profile in connection with a torpedo-shaped swivel is attractive to some anglers and crews who fear a larger swivel and connector may detract from their ability to get strikes.

If you want a truly unbreakable connection, pair up a shackle and 900-pound SAMPO swivel.



### Use Common Sense

I would prefer to have a connection, or a leader, that can be broken in an emergency but still allows a healthy young mate to pull as hard as he can with slightly bent arms. We will be rethinking our rigs with the information we now have on the strength of our connectors.

Anglers and crews targeting the smaller species of billfish use much lighter leader than we have discussed above and often want the leader to break fairly easily to facilitate releasing the fish. They often use a trace leader with a lower breaking strain than the wind-on section to avoid having to rerig the fairly complex wind-on leader. The breaking strain of any connector used is not as big a factor on light tackle, and most any of the low-priced snap swivels that carry a rating above that of the breakaway trace section are plenty strong enough.

If you really are looking for monsters and want or feel like you need something unbreakable by even the strongest mate, use a small, 5/32-inch stainless-steel shackle to connect your unbreakable leader to a big torpedo swivel — and carry lots of insurance.

Thanks to Scott Boyd at Boyd's Tackle in Fort Lauderdale (954-462-8366) for supplying a variety of swivels and connectors and to Steve Carl, Ed Gaw and the gang at Hi-Liner Fishing Supply in Pompano (954-783-1320) for supplying Hi-Catch swivels and connectors and the use of their 1-ton testing machine.

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## Tackle Tip

I build a lot of hook-sets and go to great pains to try to keep my lures and hook-sets from spinning up the line. Lures will twist up your fishing line if your swivels seize or if your lure head spins freely against the hook-set. (Many lures, like Bart Miller's, use a rubber grommet to keep the set from turning under the lure.)

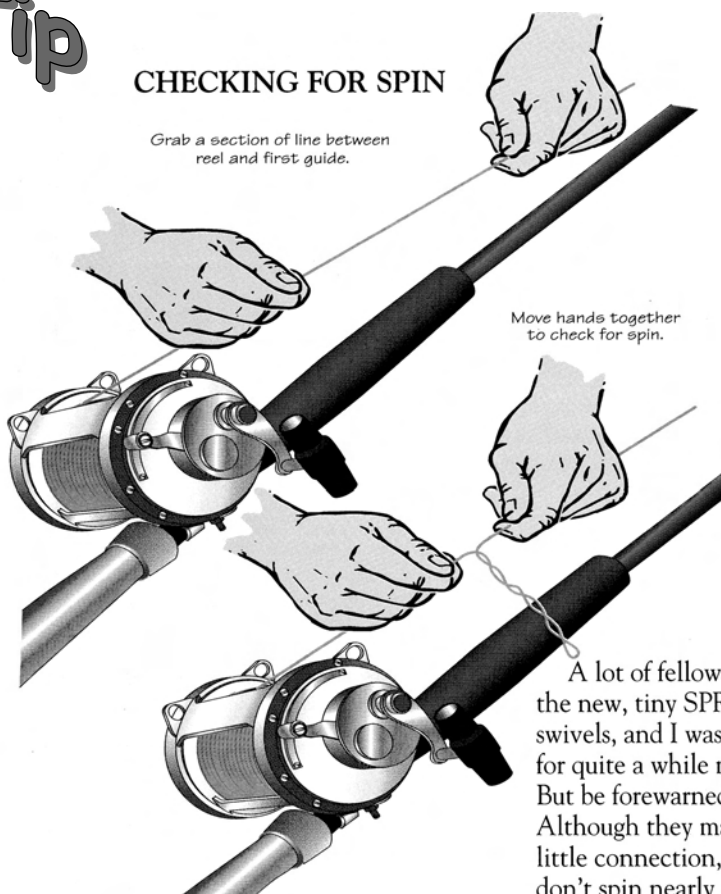
A spinning lure looks terrible in the water, and the resulting twist can severely weaken your line. Also, once you get any slack in a spun-up section of line, it's going to twist up and catch

on anything nearby, especially your rod tip. After spending several days in Cabo watching our offerings spin like tops, I tried an old trick to see if the lures were actually twisting the line.

Simply grab the section of line that runs between the first stripper guide and reel, with one hand close to the reel and one hand close to the guide. Now move your hands together. If the line twists into a kink, you know that either your swivel is trashed or your lures are spinning. Either way, something's going to have to change.

### CHECKING FOR SPIN

Grab a section of line between reel and first guide.



Move hands together to check for spin.

A lot of fellows are using the new, tiny SPPO swivels, and I was a big fan for quite a while myself. But be forewarned: Although they make a nice little connection, they don't spin nearly as well as a ball-bearing swivel.





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When tying superbraids to your reel's spool, wrap the line around the spool four or five times and secure with a five-wrap uni-knot — it isn't going anywhere. When tying to your swivel, go

through the ring twice and tie with your favorite knot using a couple of extra wraps. There's no need to splice in sections of mono every time you need to make a connection.

Steve Upp  
Bell Isle, Florida

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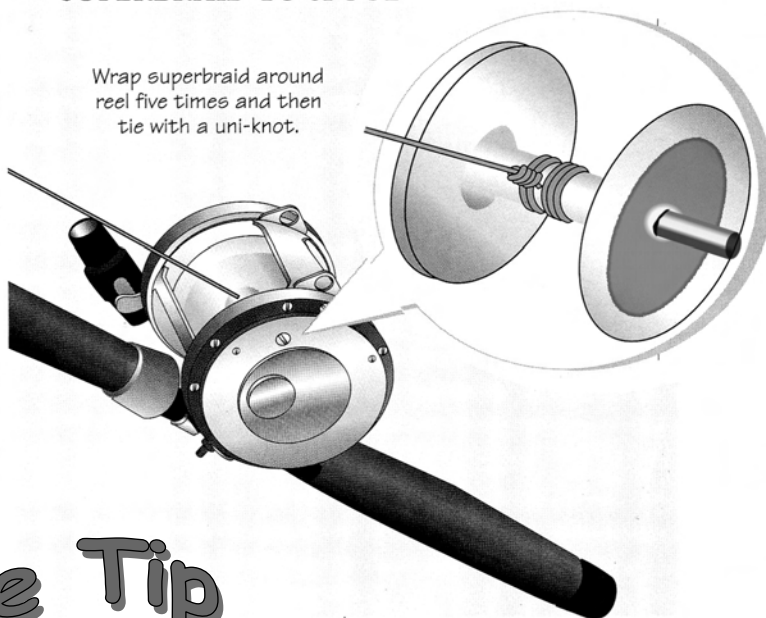
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One of the first things I do at the end of the season is reverse the Dacron or superbraid backing on all my reels. If you catch your tackle outfitter during the slow winter season, he can unspool and reverse

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If you do it yourself, before you respool soak the backing material in a 5-gallon bucket of fresh water with a cup of fabric softener mixed in. Let it drain off and dry for 24 hours — it should still be slightly damp. Repack with the damp line using gloves to make sure you get it on tight. About every one-fourth spool I like to do an extreme wig-wag across the spool to prevent the line from binding or sinking down into itself. You can get at least twice the life out of your backing in this way — and we all know how expensive that stuff is!

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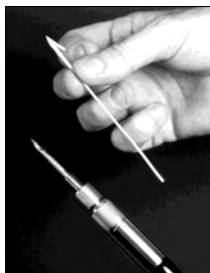
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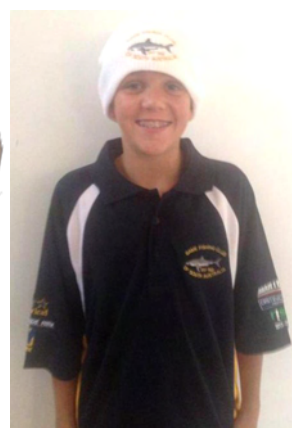
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Hill	Richard	Senior		<i>Reel Wise (U25)</i>	M.0423 747 569
Hoepner	Mark	Family			M.0409 696 851 W.8251 5588
Howe	Ian	Family			0412 238 517
Humble	David	Family		<i>Polaris (U/25)</i>	H.82242763 M.0408808909
Hutchinson	Bob	Senior		<i>Spot On (U/25)</i>	H.8683 0021
Jezukaitis	Peter	Senior		<i>Dark Star(U25)</i>	H.8232 5233 M.0419 814 691
Johnston	Chris	Senior		(U25)	M.0400 259 598 H.8294 2474

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Johnston	John	Life		<i>Broadbill (O25)</i>	H.8379 7535
Jones	Lindsay	Family		<i>Panga (U25)</i>	M.0400 010 095
Kapur	Dilip	Family			H.8388 1459
Kennedy	Steve	Family			M.0418 825 981
kessner	kym	Family			M. 0407 08677
Kokolakis	Michael	Senior		<i>TinaVee (U25)</i>	M 0413 043 562 H.8165 1652
Kokolakis	John	Senior			M.0411 854 244
Krause	Klynton	Senior			W.03-53581262 M.0448559257
Lang	Stewart	Senior		<i>Half Chance (U25)</i>	M.0407 181 537 W. 8366 6559
Leftwich	John	Senior			M.0419 438 372 W.02-4237 6875
Lightfoot	Bob	Senior		<i>(U25)</i>	M.0417 846 600 H.8344 6600
Ling	Geoffrey	Senior			M.0412 504 280
Lockhart	Craig	Senior			M.0421 635 129 W. 8440 1406
Maloney	Michael	Senior			H. 8648 6026 M.0428 598 630
Marsh	Brian	Senior			H.8269 1941 W.8346 2276
Marsh	Tim	Senior		<i>Isis Blue (O/25)</i>	M.0428 856 003 H.8353 1475
Martin	Renee	Senior			M.0400 845 328
Martino	Glenn	Family		<i>Carcharodon (O/25)</i>	M.0417 810 524 H.828 15449 W.8285 3444
Martino	Rick	Senior		<i>Carcharodon (O/25)</i>	M.0417 071 019 H.8250 2533 W.8825 3100
Mc Donald	Tim	Family		<i>Noble One (O/25)</i>	H.86825638 M.0428 837 150 W.8285 3444
McHale	Duncan	Senior		<i>Jackal (U/25)</i>	M.0417 612 619
McMahon	Andrew	Senior		<i>Third Time Lucky (O/25)</i>	M.0418 817 732 H.8339 8554
McMahon	David	Senior		<i>Bird Dog (O/25)</i>	M.0418 829 459 H.8267 5655
Mensforth	Shane	Honorary		<i>SA Angler (U/25)</i>	M.0428 829 752 H.8341 8938
Middleton	Angus	Family		<i>Valliant (U/25)</i>	H.8338 3555 M.0419 800 680 W.8338 4880



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Minke	Christopher	Family		<i>Red-E-Maid (U/25)</i>	M. 0409 026 893 W.0883260890
Morris	Stephen	Life			M.0407 280 323 W.8346 8088
Morris	Paul	Senoir			M.0403 332 069
Naish	Paul Maris	Senior		<i>Black Hawk (O/25)</i>	M.0407 922 991 H.8357 3789
Newcombe	David	Senior			H. 8682 2280 M. 040 760 6400
Nicholls	John	Family		<i>Double Cross (O/25)</i>	M.0419 001 611
Nickolai	Debra	Family			M.0402 113 446 W.8296 4901
Noble	Greg	Senior		<i>Crusader III (O/25)</i>	M.0418 820 030 W.8377 0722
Noble	Peter	Senior		<i>Crusader III (O/25)</i>	M.0418 836 768 F.8296 3864
North	Ashley	Senior			M.0466 090 340 H.8289 0863
Oliver	Robert	Senior		<i>(U/25)</i>	M.0408 814 407 H.8726 8350
Ossitt	Shaun	Senior		<i>Overjew (U25)</i>	M.0402 571 715
Papageorgiou	Billy	Senior		<i>(U25)</i>	M. 0413 790 035
Papillo	George	Senior			W.8234 2433 M.0419 847 496
Parletta	Charles	Senior			H.8336 3730
Peake	Clayton	Family		<i>Claytons (O/25)</i>	M.0408 857 981 H.8284 8042
Pisani	Cosi	Senior		<i>(U25)</i>	M 0429 858 411
Pitman	Michael	Senior			M.0458 870 459
Quinn	Shane	Family			M.0419 653 176
Quast	Darren	Family			H.8843 0051 M.0457 584 317
Richardson	Neil	Honorary			W.8410 4499
Roccatti	Sam	Life	Yes	<i>Top Gun (O/25)</i>	M.0418 816 902 H.8357 5699
Rule	Trevor	Life			M.0408 823 397
Rundle	Ken	Family		<i>(U25)</i>	M.0424 914 685 H.8387 2353
Samarzia	Gordon	Family		<i>Maverick (O/25)</i>	M.0413 943 735 H.8258 8441
Sennar	Eric	Senior		<i>Bacchus (O/25)</i>	M.0412 831 461 H.8431 2615
Shahin	Gus	Senior			M.0419 944 447 W.8337 2757
Shepherd	Mark	Family		<i>(U/25)</i>	M.0431 190 583
Simons	David	Senior		<i>(O/25)</i>	H.8449 4041
Sinclair	Scott	Senior		<i>Phantom (U/25)</i>	M.0428 821 994 H.8264 8386
Smith	Dale	Senior		<i>(U/25)</i>	H.8251 2124 M.0423 855 099

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Smyth	Jim	Senior		<i>Gladiator (O/25)</i>	M.0418 803 211
Stennett	Neil	Family		<i>The STEN (O/25)</i>	M.0418 820 020
Stephenson	Jason	Family		<i>Snoop (U/25)</i>	M.0408 415 195
Stevens	Chris	Senior		<i>(O/25)</i>	M. 0427 974 261 H.8588 2660
Stokes	Bryan	Family		<i>"C"World II</i>	M.0418 200 481 H.8572 7372
Tarbotton	Ian	Family		<i>Tari O25</i>	M.0419 867 872
Teakle	Peter	Senior		<i>The Battler (O/25)</i>	M.0428 922 224
Thompson	Gary	Senior			M.0413 210 069 H.8294 8070
Tischendorf	Fred	Family		<i>Isobar (O/25)</i>	M.0413 837 506
Tito	Tracey	Senior		<i>Just A Girl (U/25)</i>	M.0412 238 517
Tobin	Paul	Senior			M.0400 286 467 H.8280 6818
Van der Heiden	Bart	Senior			_____
Van Doorn	Michael	Senior		<i>Arcoin (O25)</i>	M.0418 837 051 H.8683 0939
Van Soest	Lee	Senior			M.0414 749 917
Vater	Lance	Senior			M.0418 821 020 H.8268 3511
Verpoorten	Shane	Senior		<i>(U25)</i>	M.0424 082 868
Walker	Joe	Senior		<i>Hawk (O/25)</i>	M.0419 231 232
Warton	Mark	Senior			M.0414 834 899 H.8396 5816
Watermann	Breck	Family		<i>Decanter (O/25)</i>	H.8357 2212 M.0418 900 070
Werner	John	Family		<i>Jay-Cee (O/25)</i>	M.0418 814 612 H.8682 6472
White	Kym	Family			M.0427 625 418
White	Steve	Senior			M.0450 749 230
Whitrow	Clive	Life			H.8295 4341
Wickman	Graeme	Family			M.0409 885 450
Wilson	Shane	Senior		<i>Willpower (U/25)</i>	M.0405 349 371
Wilton	Paul	Family		<i>Kestral (U/25)</i>	M.0408 447 335 H.8285 2762
Woods	Fred	Senior			M.0418 825 928
Wright	Andrew	Senior		<i>Calypso Star</i>	M.0408 613 515
Young	Paul	Family		<i>The Boat (U/25)</i>	H.8248 2222 M.0418 852 295
Xerri	Peter	Senior		<i>The Reaper (U25)</i>	M.04224 06 348



**MERIT PINS FOR CAPTURE**

Merit Pins may be awarded to anglers for captures made in Australian waters and recorded in each of the various line classes according to the tables below.

GFAA shall design and control the issue of such Capture Merit Pins, which shall be engraved with the initials GFAA and be symbolic of the fish for which the award is made.

Club secretaries shall, by the authority of GFAA, order

and distribute Capture Merit Pins to club members who have submitted to them a written application supported by relevant Capture and Weight Recording Certificates. State branches shall advise GFAA by July 15 each year the number and each type of Capture Merit Pins so distributed.

Only one Capture Merit Pin for each species and for each line class may be issued to any one angler during any one year ending June 30.

It is recommended that Capture Merit Pins be presented at club annual general meetings, presentation of trophy evenings, or similar occasions.

Note: the cost of the Capture Merit Pins shall be borne by the angler.

Club secretaries note: to order Capture Merit Pins, contact Mackays Jewellers, PO Box 1113, Toowoomba (Qld), tel/fax (07) 4630 8737 or mobile 0419 709 229.

**GAMEFISH MERIT PINS**

LINE CLASS kgs	BRONZE kgs	SILVER kgs	GOLD kgs	MERIT kgs
1	2	3	4	8
2	4	6	8	16
4	8	12	16	32
6	12	18	24	48
8	16	23	32	64
10	20	30	40	80
15	30	45	60	120
24	48	72	96	192
37	90	135	250	500
60	150	210	325	650

**SHARK MERIT PINS**

LINE CLASS kgs	BRONZE kgs	SILVER kgs	GOLD kgs	MERIT kgs
1	4	6	8	16
2	8	12	16	32
4	16	24	32	64
6	24	36	48	96
8	32	48	64	128
10	40	60	80	160
15	60	90	120	240
24	96	144	192	384
37	180	270	500	1000
60	30	420	650	1300

**MERIT PINS FOR TAG AND RELEASE**

Merit Pins may be awarded to tag and releases effected in Australian waters. The eligibility rating is listed below.

GFAA shall design and control the issue of such Merit Pins, which shall be engraved with the initials GFAA and may be symbolic of the fish for which the award is made.

Club secretaries shall, by the authority of GFAA, order and distribute Tag and Release Merit Pins to club members who have submitted to them a written application supported by relevant documentation. Details should include:

- (a) species of fish

- (b) dates of Tag and Release

- (c) serial number of tag cards submitted to NSW State Fisheries

State branches shall advise GFAA by July 15 of each year the number and each type of Tag and Release Merit Pins so distributed.

Tag and Release Merit Pins are retrospective to the start of record keeping by the NSW Fisheries Research Institute.

It is recommended that Tag and Release Merit Pins be presented at club annual general meetings, presentation nights, or similar occasions.

The cost of the Tag and Release Merit Pin

shall be borne by the angler.

Club secretaries note: to order Tag and Release Merit Pins, contact Colin Forrester Manufacturing Jewellers, Suite 12, First Floor, Globe Arcade, Wollongong (NSW), tel (02) 4226 3667.

**TAG AND RELEASE MERIT PINS**

	MERIT	GOLD	SILVER	BRONZE
Billfish	50	10	5	1
Shark	100	50	10	5
Tuna	100	50	10	5
Other Gamefish	100	50	50	5
Barramundi	100	50	50	5

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# GFAA Patches

**PATCHES FOR TAG & RELEASE**

GFAA Tag and Release patches are available to anglers who qualify as follows:

- tag and release of five fish of three separate species, including sharks.
- tag and release of 10 fish of five separate species, including sharks.
- tag and release of 15 fish of five separate species, including sharks.

To qualify for the awards, the angler must submit the following:

1. species of fish
  2. dates of tag and release
  3. serial numbers of tag and card submitted to NSW State Fisheries
  4. cheque for \$11.00 (inc GST) for issue of patch
- Applications for Tag and Release Patches must be submitted through the angler's club. Note: no certificate will be issued.

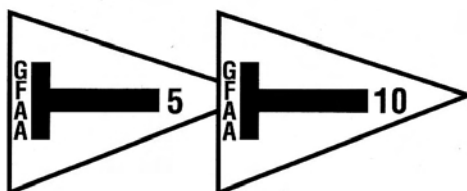
**PATCHES FOR BILLFISH TAG & RELEASE**

GFAA Billfish Tag & Release patches are available to anglers who qualify as follows:

- tag and release of five billfish.
- tag and release of 10 billfish.

To qualify for the awards, the angler must submit the following:

1. species of fish
  2. dates of tag and release
  3. serial numbers of tag and card submitted to NSW State Fisheries
  4. cheque for \$11.00 (inc GST) for issue of patch
- Applications for Tag and Release patches must be submitted through the angler's club. Note: no certificate will be issued.

**CAPTURE MERIT AWARD 10 TO 1, 15 TO 1, 20 TO 1**

A GFAA certificate is available for any recognised gamefish species.

To qualify for the certificate the angler must submit the following:

1. an Australian Record Claim Form stating the club the claim is submitted for, (eg 20 to 1)
2. a cheque for \$27.50 (inc. GST) for the issue of the certificate.

**1000LB (454.4KG) CLUB**

A GFAA award is available for any recognised gamefish species.

To qualify for the certificate the angler must submit the following:

1. an Australian Record Claim Form stating the claim is submitted for the 1000lb club
2. a cheque for \$110.00 (inc. GST) for the issue of the cap and framed certificate.

Welcome to the Junior Pointer Section.

This section will be dedicated to report and inform the Junior members of the club with the on going activities of other Juniors within the club and is specifically designed for our Junior members.

This will include fishing information (*HOPEFULLY!*) pictures of other juniors activities with the periodical introduction of prize incentives to encourage the younger anglers in our club to participate. So keep your eye on this page for what might be going on. Good fishing and safe boating!

## Spot 20 Differences





## SHARK, BRONZE WHALER

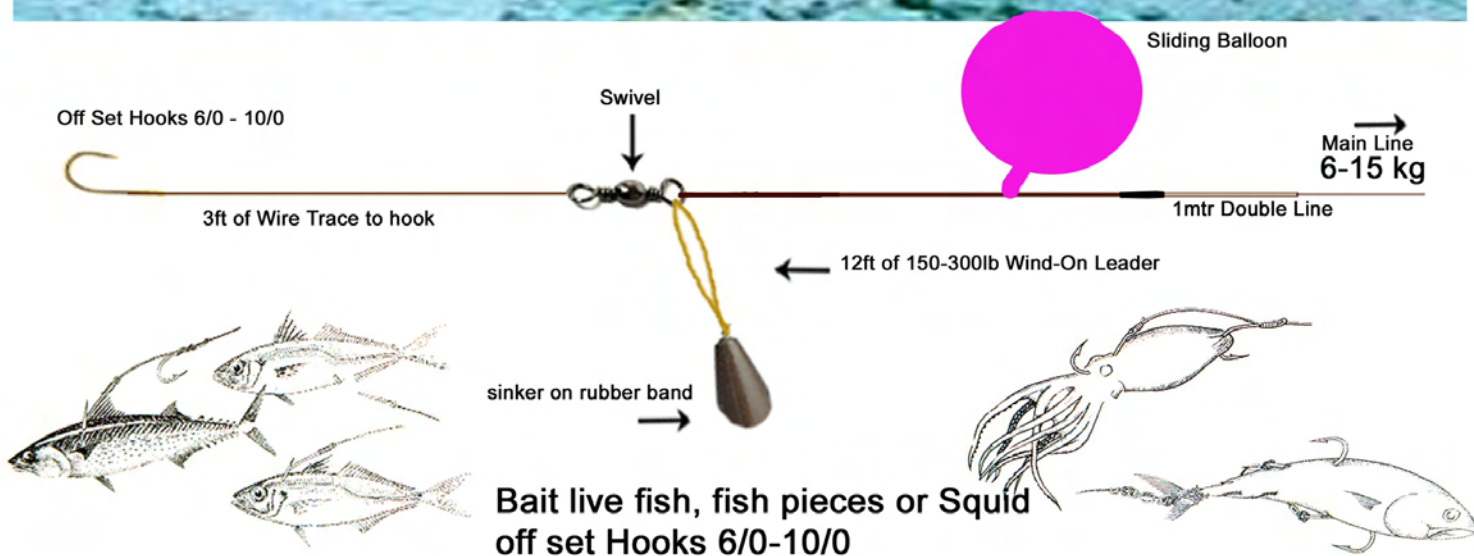
**Scientific name** *Carcharhinus brachyurus*. Also known as Copper shark, cocktail shark.

**Range** Lancelin in Western Australia and southern waters including Tasmania and around the east coast as far as southern Queensland.



**Description** A fairly common shark of offshore waters, but which occasionally enters large embayments. The bronze whaler is dangerous and has been responsible for several fatalities in Australia. The bronze whaler is very similar to the black or whaler shark but the bronze whaler generally has a bronze or coppery colour, which fades to grey after death. The upper teeth are narrow and slightly concave on this species. The bronze whaler lacks the distinctive skin ridge running between the two dorsal fins which is present on the black whaler. The bronze whaler reaches 3.25 m and more than 200 kilograms.

**Fishing** The bronze whaler can be taken with a variety of live or dead fish baits, large cut baits and squid. Bronze whalers are attracted by berley and can be found around boats, usually showing up as catch rates improve. The fight of the bronze whaler is strong and dogged, in common with many sharks. A wire or steel trace is essential. The bronze whaler makes good eating and smaller specimens are often used by fish and chip shops.







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