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CLUB DATES

COMMITTEE MEETING	GENERAL MEETING
December 6th 2007	December 13th 2007
	<p><u>Guest Speaker</u> Tony Devine- How to make full use of your digital camera.</p>

Bring your digital camera along with your user book and get hands on instructions on how to make proper use of it from settings to processing your pics.

Club bbq's are held each Sunday after the General Meetings, 1pm at the Club House- BYO.

Wishing everyone a VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS and a HAPPY NEW YEAR





COMPETITION PAGE

DECEMBER COMP

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The December comp will be run on Saturday the 15th of December, target species will be Mangrove Jack again due to the lack of success last month. Location will be the Flathead Classic Boundaries. Fishing times, start fishing from 3am with weigh in at club by 1pm BBQ at the clubhouse from 12pm. Prize will jackpot this month and will be a \$300 tackle voucher courtesy of Corey at Logan River Marine & Doug at Doug Burts Tackle World . Prize will be awarded to the single largest Jack caught & photographs or live fish to be presented to the club BBQ. This comp will be strictly catch & release of any jacks caught. Let me know by phone or e-mail if you intend to fish the comp. 0412 453 081 jennymatty@optusnet.com.au if you can't make it to the monthly meeting. Due to the large prize being offered this month you must Register to fish & provide a mobile phone number so that I can send a text message with a token for photos of fish caught on the day the text will be sent at 3am on the 15th. All registrations must be received by the end of the general meeting on Thursday the 13th December.

HANDICAPS

Tony le Masurier: 7.5%

Mike Halls: 10%

Matthew Bowe: 5%

Peter Denaro: 5%

JANUARY COMP

Two Proposals were put forward for the December trip due to the jack trip jackpotting these will become the options for January, The choice is between a trip up in the bay or off the Gold coast chasing Mackerel. Come along to the December meeting and have your say as to what you would prefer. As well as put any ideas in for February & March so we can get them planned before Christmas

QUEENS BIRTHDAY TRIP '08

Anyone interested in heading down to Iluka for the Queens birthday next June let me know at the November Meeting.

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MONTHLY COMPETITION

OUTLINE

WHEN: Alternating between Saturday & Sunday following the monthly meeting.

WHERE: Trips to be discussed and planned at the monthly meeting in regards to location & target species. Where possible 3 months in advance and details published in newsletter

HOW MUCH: Members: No Charge.
Non-Members: \$10

PRIZE: To the value of \$300

HANDICAP FORMAT:

- 10% handicap for a win.
- For each subsequent competition participated in total accrued handicap is reduced by 25% of the total at the time of your last win so you are handicapped for no longer than four comps after a win. I.e.: win 1 month 10%, participate next month handicap reduced to 7.5 percent, participate next month handicap reduced to 5 percent, win next month increased to 15%, participate next month handicap reduced to 11.25% (reduced by 25% of 15) etc.
- Total accrued percentage is to be taken off the length of fish measured at subsequent trips. I.e.: 75cm flathead captured by an angler on 10% is worth 67.5cm.
- Members and there total percentage to be published monthly in newsletter.

RECORDING CAPTURES

Fish are to be either photographed against a ruler, or bought to the BBQ after fishing on trips held locally or to an organized meeting point on trips further a field.

PRESENTATION OF PRIZES

Prizes to be presented to winners at the following months general meeting.

JAMIES FISHING REPORTS

Fishing reports for the first half of November.

The November Club trip to target Mangrove Jacks ended up being a fizzer. With all who fished doing it rough with rain and wind and few fish to be had.

No Jacks were caught on the day so the prize pool has jackpotted to \$600 for the next trip, Target will still be Mangrove Jack. and again the boundaries are the same as the Flathead Classic.

It was a case of just about every other species to swim was hooked.

Just some of the species caught were Flathead, Cod, Trevally, Catfish, Moses Perch, Bream.

Michael and Matty Bowe fished the Coomera area along with myself, Peter Denaro and Candice.

Peter didn't get a fish on the day, Candice had 1 great capture. after I lost a plastic and jighead to a snag, Candice reeled in a big chunk of fishing line from the same snag with my plastic hanging of the bottom.

I managed 3 fish for the morning starting with my best for the day coming from the first cast, a 56cm Flathead. Fish No2 was a 46cm Flathead and the last a 42cm Trevally, hopefully the next Jack trip

will be a better day.

Next trip for me was a trip to Hinze Dam with the Hinze Dam club.

Another overcast day with plenty of wind, another tuff days fishing lots of under size fish today.

Most that I heard of being Caught was 10 fish and 1 legal, best fish for the club was 48cm and the best I heard of for the morning was from the Sports Tuition group with one from this group hooking a 53cm on a live shrimp.

The bait fishers had a great morning catching plenty of fish .

Again Peter Denaro had a shocker morning not getting any fish, and myself getting just 4 fish , 32cm 34 cm and a 38cm Bass and for the best fish of the day a 45cm Saratoga hooked right at the ramp on a yellow core Slider Grub on a 1/4 oz jighead, that topped off a slow morning, till next report good fishing.



More from Jamie

Gaday all its been a quiet month for me lately with work commitments and crap weather the fishing has had to take a back seat. I've only managed 1 trip since the trip to Hinze Dam, and that was the weekend just gone.

I had high hopes of maybe catching a Tuna or something else speedy but it was not going to be, not a fish was caught for the trip.

On a brighter note the Club Christmas party was a great success. Many, many thanks to Gail and Fay for putting their hands up to organize the party.

I can't say enough, best party in years was the best comment I heard.

Fabulous food thanks to Gail Tony and Rob, a big thanks to Tony and the Boys from Galeforce boats for putting up the marquee to keep us dry. Also thanks to Rob for the extra Barbie to cook on, and a big thanks to Donny (Santa Claws) its always good to have a politically incorrect Santa to entertain the Kids and the adults alike.

To recap on the trophy's for the year they will be available at the meeting.

Junior Champion. Ebony Wilson.

senior Champion Roderick walmsley.

Blue water grand slam junior Ebony Wilson

Blue water grand slam senior. Roderick Walmsley.

highest daily point score Blue water. Ebony Wilson

Big fish tag and release Ebony Wilson.

Tag and or release Trophy Roderick Walmsley

Fly fishing Trophy Mike Halls.

Highest point Jew Dan Halls.

Highest point Jack Roderick Walmsley.
Presidents Trophy went to John Bocher (Lucky)
The Ardency Trophy went to Max Baxter.
The publicity trophy went to Donny for his segments in the news letter.
Don't forget to bring your Digital camera for the hands on workshop with Tony Devine -
HOW TO TAKE BETTER PICTURES..
Well thats all for now see you at the December meeting..

FISH OF THE MONTH

November was won by Peter Denaro

The fish was caught in the 27 fathoms n/e from the seaway, it was caught on a soft plastic gulp 5" jerk shad nuclear chicken with a half ounce jig head and a 15 pound breaking strain braid line. The fish was in amongst a big school of baitfish. It took 35 minutes to land the fish and we went back over the same school again and caught another cobia identical size. When cleaning the fish we found they were feeding on reef crabs. The size of the crabs was the same size as a big sand crab.



LOGAN RIVER MARINE- SPONSOR

Guys and Gals,

We have just received our latest shipment of bang and new Ice Jigs. There is a fair few bottles of BANG but it is diminishing quickly so best to get in ASAP as the recent wins of finals using this scent is seeing it out the door extra quick. The new Ice Jigs are AWESOME and are as close as I have ever seen to our ever missed rauhala's. I have also ordered a MASSIVE amount of Jackalls this month which will be here today and also I am taking pre orders on Transaam's as they are here in two weeks. I will get this months special's out to you in the next couple of days so til then get down here and see the new product and also see the biggest range of Jackalls in QLD.

Here is this month's specials. Also there is a huge sale on electronics this month on Navman, Furuno and Hummingbird (high end units).

I have a handful of Humminbird 931 and a couple of 981's with a price that has never been seen before.

Navman 5507, 5607, 6507 are also on never to be repeated specials. So get in quick to get first crack at these awesome units at the best prices. Prices are in store only and cannot be quoted over the phone. Also this month I have taken delivery of the most amount of Jackal lures in Australia and anyone wishing to purchase these at a good price should come straight in because any purchase of 5 or more Jackals will put them at \$20 each !WOW!

Also we have just taken our fifth shipment of BANG scent and it will not take long for it to sell out either. So if you haven't got any yet get in quick to get some and see what everyone is raving about.

The bass fishermen promo for this month is buy a Rapala Ice Jig and a bottle of BANG and you will receive a FREE Rapala Ice Jig of your choice for.

The Bream fishermen promo for this month is buy any 3 assorted NEW Ecogear VX blades and get 25% off any of the Ecogear SX lure range. Also buy any two bottles of BANG and receive a FREE packet of Berkley Gulp!

So as you can see this month is the time to come down and get the HOT deals to fill under the Christmas tree.

Corey and myself took out the new Champion boat on the weekend in her first tournament and could not be happier that we won it by over 200 grams. We had a really good day on the water although the fishing was tough. We spent most of the day at the pin and decided to run the bay at about 10:30. It is usually something most people could not have done as it was very rough and it is quite a fair way to go with only two hours fishing time left in the tournament. With a top end speed of around 60mph which only varied in the rough water by 5 mph the run to the bay and back was far from an issue as the Champion is not bothered at all in rough water. We got to the bay in no time and turned a bag full of 23cm to 25cm fish to a bag of 28.5cm to 39.5cm with the biggest fish being "Big Bream" for the tournament which was caught by Corey to give him his P.B Bream in a tournament of 1.09kg. All this upgrading ended up giving us a total weight of 2.92 kg and Logan River Marine its first tournament win for the year. The boat performed out of sight letting us fish all the way from Australia Fair to the bay inc the pin. Anyone who is looking for a new tournament boat can contact me to organize a test drive so we can get you on the water and on the way to becoming a Champion (pun intended).

If you want more information on what we used and where we used it in the tournament either email me or drop in

Cheers Jay

COREY - LOGAN RIVER MARINE

This is Corey's 2nd metre fish, Spanish mackerel 1.1m



DOUG BURT'S TACKLE WORLD - SPONSOR

Doug Burt's tackle world are having a monster fishing sale on right now, anyone interested should go and have a look, everything from tackle, boat equipment, electric motors and camping gear.

Tangles Little Bit

It's that time of year again. In some houses new babies are made, others leave home and in most others the young are celebrated by lots of useless presents, toys that will be useless by New Years Eve. Some kids look forward to the family Christmas tree and maybe Santa. This past Saturday night the club held a club based Christmas Party with one of the best roll ups in years. I have not spoken to anyone who does not agree that it was a good night, superbly organised and catered by Gail and Tony, Fay and Rob. Many thanks to the younger generation. Santa arrived much to the distress of just a few toddlers. Maybe Santa is just a scruffy old man and only the little ones recognise the fact.

The whole episode reminds me of my family's Christmas Day and tree about twenty years ago. The event used to be a tradition when all the kids were small. Over the extended family of mums and dads, uncles and aunts etc: there were about twenty young kids from suckers to bike riders. Just as the tree was lit up Santa arrived, completely unexpected even by the adults, with lots of Ho Ho Ho' and thumping gumboots. That ended the party for at least an hour as kids screamed and yelled and kids fought to get out the front door. It seems that Santa is a myth who is spoken about and seen in shopping centres from the safety of a shopping trolley from afar, not showing up under the family Christmas tree. Santa's do enjoy their work though, at what other times do they get to have lovely young ladies on their knees.

Thanks again to Gail and Fay.

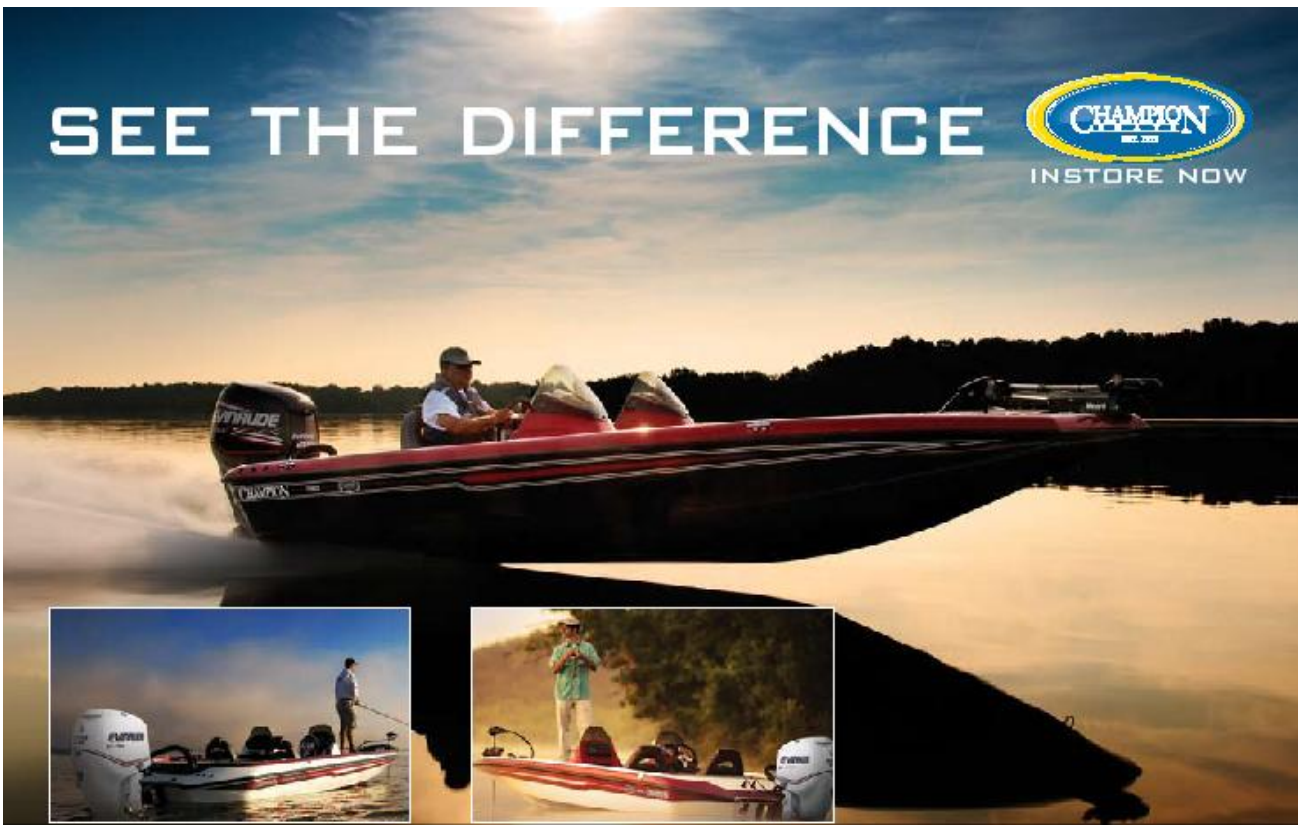
We all know the lady named Irene who is making her presence welcomed at the club. It seems that with a few drinks to prime her up she is a very good little singer even if the words are all new to her. Tony again did his thing with the camera so if parents are looking for some memorabilia he is the man to see.

Tony will be giving a talk on the use of you camera at the next meeting so come along.

Quote : Richard S. Wheeler

"Some people live unexamined lives. They simply exist and never wonder how the did, or what they still could do, or whether they had contributed anything. They live and die without taking a close look at themselves. I might have been like that once, but age changes a person"

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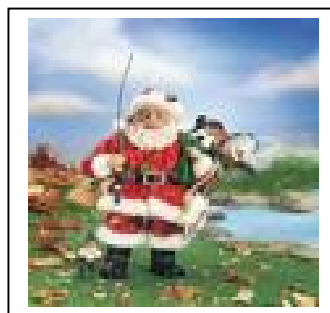
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SANTA GIVING PRESENTS TO THE CHILDREN



Even Santa goes fishing



Happy Fishing- Irene