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CLUB DATES

COMMITTEE MEETING	GENERAL MEETING
	January 10 th 2008
	<u>Guest Speaker</u> Don Woodford will be doing a talk on Spanish Mackerel

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.

HAPPY NEW YEAR





COMPETITION PAGE

JANUARY COMP

January Comp will be targeting Mackerel off the seaway 4:00am start fishing weigh in by 1:00pm at the club with the BBQ starting at 12:00pm. Winning fish will be the biggest Mackerel of any type (spotty, Spanish, schoolie etc). **Comp will be held on Sunday the 13th January 2008.** \$300 dollar tackle voucher up for grabs so be in it to win it.

If weather is unfavourable for offshore fishing the comp will go ahead in the inshore waters, boundaries as per flathead classic with the winning fish to be decided in a vote by attendees at the BBQ any species accepted.

HANDI CAPS

Tony le Masurier: 7.5%

Mike Halls: 10%

Matthew Bowe: 2.5%

Peter Denaro: 2.5%

QUEENS BIRTHDAY TRIP '08

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

Fish of the Month

Token for fish of the month photos for January is a 50 cent piece.

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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 brought 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.

FISH OF THE MONTH

December was won by Daniel Halls with a jewfish from the seaway, sorry I have not been given any details or a photo of capture to put in the newsletter.

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Guys,

Come down and have a look at our Jackal range while it is still full. I have every single possible color available in Australia. We have really good deals on all the lures if you buy in lots of five or more. If you buy them in singles as far as I know we are still the cheapest in Australia to our good customers. Look forward to seeing you all before Christmas and if not I will see you after wards. Please keep in mind we are closed from the 25th to the 14th of January.

Cheers
Jay Morgan

Tangles Little Bit

Right now it really is the silly season, I've been listening to the radio reposts on a tropical low developing up the coast. When these things are developing I like to watch the cloud charts as they develop each 12 hours, interesting stuff.

I haven't heard anything towards the start of a local mackerel season as yet. My brother has been fishing Currumundie Reef (Caloundra) over Christmas and catching Old schoolies (doggies) and snapper. To me that says cold water inshore as yet, so maybe this "cyclone" will stir things up a bit.

It seems that I'm scheduled to do a talk on the Spanish Mackerel in January so I hope that the presentation is okay. I spent two weeks writing my expose' on Spaniards before Christmas but that shall not be presented until February. My typist has been down with the flu for three weeks at this stage.

The article is very,very long so I hope that I have covered lots of little things that most would never hear of.

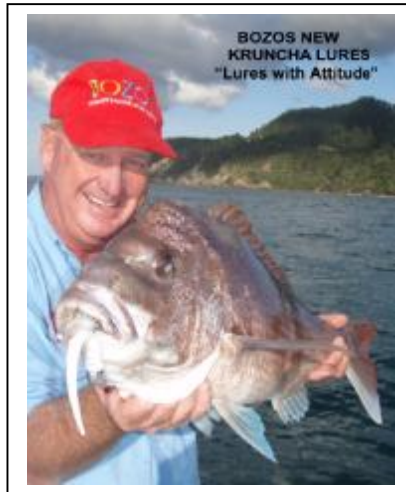
I've heard that Jamie has had a big day on herring, but being a BBQ sauce eater he wasn't hungry enough to try them. Maybe we'll have to extend the species badges a tad as well. He tells me that he is hoping to do a trip up to the Gulf one day. Lots of interesting species up that way. All these fishing shows that you see on TV are true. Phil Alder has done a bit of field testing up that way, his eyes always shine.

Speaking of species badges I rene has another couple of species up now, won't be long before she ahs a 20 claimed.

All this stuff is no competition all you need to do is put in a capture sheet and a photo. Give it a go. Just a bit more on that low pressure system. Tonight (Friday28/12) the map shows the low of Mackay with winds expected to 30-40 knots down to the Gold Coast. There is also a high pressure system south of Adelaide. This high will move east in the next few days giving us pressure gradients up through NSW to here. With the low expected to move SSE following the warm offshore current it's gradients will combine with the HP gradients to form what is called a "Claytons Cyclone" with SE winds up to 50-60 knots by the end of December and blowing rain onto the coast.

Photos from Phil Alder

Thought you might like this photo, Raffle from Doug Burts caught this monster snapper off the Gold Coast in the middle of December on a new Bozos 6"/150mm Kruncha Lure. The next week I took my new Kruncha lures to New Zealand and landed this 18lb model on my Kruncha lures in Pure Blonde Colour. These lures are scented with Bozos new scent that is based on Pure Squid oil. These lures have also proven deadly on Pearlies. I will send the photo of the new Zealand snapper on a separate email due to file size.
Regards Phil



Phil's Snapper on Bozos Kruncha 6" 150mm Colour "Pure Blonde". Raffle caught his on a Bozos Kruncha 6"/150mm Colour "The Colonel"

Irene also I have new lures for kingfish but this Kingfish was actually caught on the smaller version which was the same lure used to catch the 18lb Snapper. The action used was almost nil, just a twitch of the rod tip and I also had Snapper take lures off the bottom without even holding the rod. I attribute most of this to the new squid Bozos scent.



Marlin on a Bozo's Thumper What's next?

If there is one thing charter skipper's love more than catching fish it has to be ... trying out new tackle, especially lures or jigs that look a bit different and promise an interesting swimming action.

In Vava'u, Tonga we are lucky to have a diverse and rich fishery and we encounter five species of billfish together with most pelagic species from Mahimahi, Tuna to Giant Trevally.

I had the opportunity of testing some Bozo's innovations like their new soft baits, the 'Thumper Grub' that can be deep jigged or trolled. These were supplied by the boys from Sport Fishing New Zealand LTD along with some of their outstanding Katch1 jigs.

We tested the Thumper in a renowned sailfish spot and on our first run we raised a couple of Sails and hooked up on our second run but alas we pulled the hook.

In between the run we got molested with some toothy critter most likely a Wahoo or Oceanic Barracuda and sustained a bit of tail damage

Now if the Thumper could raise Sailfish what about a Blue? We set the scene by specifically targeting Blue Marlin. We only ran one Thumper in the spread at any one time and changed the position to find the best combination for the boat. We had two variations – one lumo blue and the other a luminescent yellow head/body. With a trolling speed of 7kts up to 9kts, the Thumper swam beautifully just under the surface.

On our first day out we got slammed by big Yellow Fin Tuna but kept pulling the hook. One got one right to the boat and we pulled the hook trying to hang on to a 65kg fish that made a last minute dash under the stern.

Later in the day we raised two Blues and one had a go at the Thumper the initial hook up was spectacular with the Blue clear jumping then sounding and ripping out 200 meters of line in seconds. With the fight on, we took it easy and then that terrible feeling when the line suddenly jerks a couple of times and the fish is gone ... a bill wrap.

After replacing the leader, out went the Thumper again and minutes later we hooked up on a solid Blue. We had the Thumper in the long flat position, two waves back so we could watch closely but all we saw was a big hole in the water, typical of a feisty Blue strike. Greg Towns from Auckland was the lucky angler and after 25 minutes, bought the est.120kg Blue alongside for a clean tag shot. We have been close a couple of times to nailing some very respectable Yellow Fin and the hot spot is way back on the centre rigger.

I have played around with different hook rigs to find the best that suits our fishery and as yet I haven't trolled any deep-water reef drop-offs, but based on our results so far, I suspect Dog Tooth and GT's will simply hammer the Thumper, given the chance.

Capt. Steve Campbell
Ika Lahi International Game Fishing Lodge
Vava'u, Kingdom of Tonga



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