



GOLD COAST SPORTFISHING CLUB



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APRIL 2009 - NEWSLETTER

FISH OF THE MONTH

MARCH

GUY McCONNELL

Caught on a mango ripple 7 inch jerkshad 20lb braid
30lb leader. 8kg, 90cm.

Fifty Dollar Voucher from
Doug Burt's Tackle World



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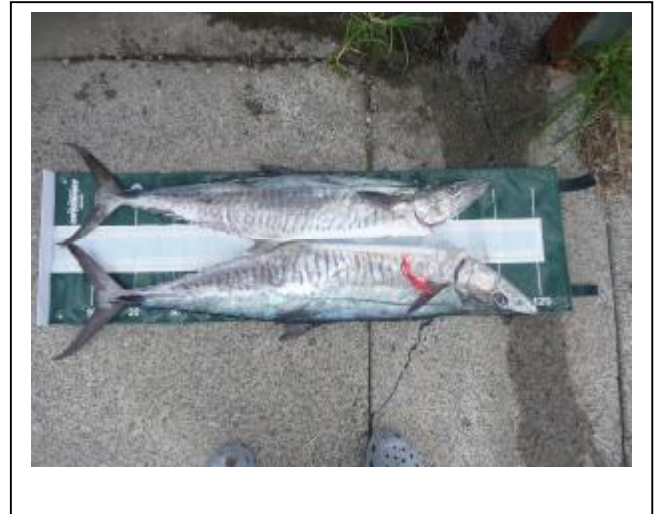
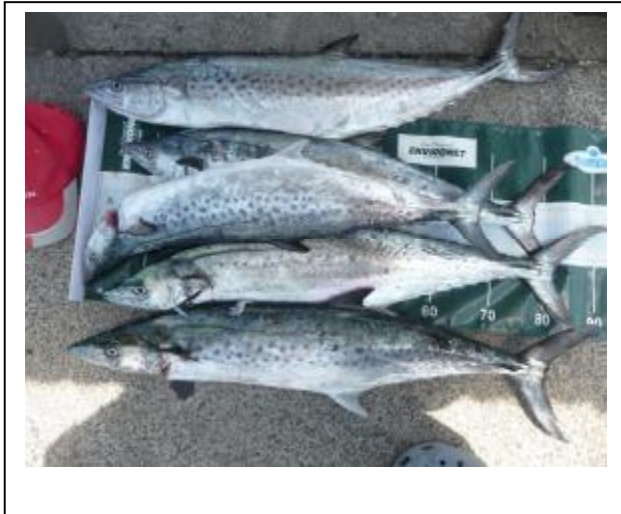
COMMITTEE MEETING	GENERAL MEETING
<u>APRIL 2ND 7.30PM</u>	APRIL 9TH 2009-7.30PM
<u>Committee Meeting</u>	<u>Guest Speaker</u> Dave Kahler DPI Boating and Fisheries Patrol
	<u>6.30PM- BBQ</u>

I have a collection of short stories (24) written by Don Woodford past president and founder of this club. I am typing them up to send out to all our members, one each month along with the newsletter, they are good reading, naturally all fishing stories.

GAMES MASTERS REPORT

Peter Denaro

First of all in my opinion, the new monthly comp times and our monthly General Meeting, joined with our monthly BBQ weigh-in is going to be a big success. It was much bigger than our normal monthly meeting with a lot of photos. The winner for the inside comp was Terry Ryan with a 77cm flathead and the outside comp winner was Jeff Robinson with a 120cm Spanish mackerel, with both anglers producing clear weigh-in photos. In saying that here is what we don't want.



What we want is a photo of a single fish on the ruler and head up to the stopper. The winner for the fish of the month was Guy McConnell with a snapper of 8kgs and 90cm long beating Paul Nielsen with a 120cm Spanish mackerel by 1 point on our new point system. Our guest speaker Raffi from Doug Burts Tackle World gave a top talk on catching mackerel, he had the audience that intrigued with his information you could have heard a pin drop. He certainly has the gift of explanation with a big future in the fishing industry.

Last of all but not least I must mention Don Woodford's short story. Months ago Don gave me some old newsletters to read, to give me some idea of how they ran their comps years ago, among the newsletters were some of Don's short stories which intrigued me so much I had to read them all. The details of the stories are so descriptive it makes you think that they are true stories put together by a very gifted person. The last few chapters from the first story "The Right Bait" were especially good you would think Don was there but not as Don Woodford for my money he was Jacko. If you haven't read it yet you will enjoy it.

*Next months comp outside target fish largest Spanish mackerel
inside target fish your largest whiting and bream
combined length*

Your token colour for April Comp will be drawn at the next meeting 9th April. I will see you there for the March weigh-in.

Peter Denaro

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Please remember to photograph all your fish on a measuring stick as you can put your top 5 fish in the book for the annual comp. If you think you have the winning fish, get a photo of yourself with the fish for the front cover

RULES: No boundaries and you choose bait, lure, your mums casserole, whatever catches the fish. The winner cannot win both inside and outside prizes. It gives more people a chance at winning. Maybe even the little juniors could nab a prize.

Please remember that no fish is worth getting hurt or damaging your boat. So please bear in mind that if it is rough outside then we have the option of the inside comp.

THE PRIZE:

Outside Prize:\$150 voucher at Doug Burt's Tackle World

Inside Prize:\$150 voucher at Doug Burt's Tackle World

If **NO FISH IS CAUGHT OUTSIDE** and only the inside fish are at the weigh in then we have decided to combine the winning prize money.

1st \$150 voucher

2nd \$100 voucher (no handicap penalty)

3rd \$50 voucher (no handicap penalty)

So guys get out there for this comp it gives a lot of anglers a chance to pick up some good vouchers to replace all the tackle we loose throughout the year.

Just another reminder to take some happy snaps of you holding up some of your better fish as it may be the winning fish and we would love to use the photo in the newsletter.

-----Explaining the rules, points & handicap system-----

Points: All fish must be legal length to count for comp and end of year point system.

1 point per cm or 10 points per kilo whatever is the greatest plus 5 points for the fish

eg. 1 whiting at 30cm = 30 points + 5 for the fish but because it is a target species for the December comp then it is double points. 1 whiting at 30cm = 70 points. 1 flathead at 40cm = 40 points + 5 for the fish and double for target species for December = 90 points. The total for your 2 fish is 160 points. You can weigh in 5 fish only 3 of the same species for the monthly comp to count towards your end of year score. They do not have to be target species.

Handicap: Winner is penalized 10% of the overall length or weight of their biggest fish for his/her next comp. Only the winner gets a penalty.

Reducing your handicap: Handicap is reduced by 2.5% after every non-successful comp.
You must fish the fishing comps to reduce your handicap.

BBQ - Weigh In: You or a crew member must attend the BBQ/Weigh in to register your catch for the comp or for the end of year score.

End of Year Score: Target fish for the monthly comps are worth the double points. 5 fish per month with only 3 being the same species. Must be caught at the monthly comps.

Photographs: Could you please bring to the BBQ/Weigh In your photos of your fish. Must be clearly on a ruler if you do not present the photo or the fish no prize will be awarded.

Vermin: No points for vermin such as sharks and stingrays. Unless it is a specified vermin competition.

With the contestants from the Flathead Classic now being members we have approximately two hundred members in the club which makes us a pretty strong fishing club. Apart from that we also had others come and join us which is great for the club.

Here is a list of websites and phone numbers that might come in useful to you.

Bureau of meteorology.	:	http://www.bom.gov.au
Coastalwatch surf cams	:	http://www.coastalwatch.com
Buoyweather	:	http://www.buoyweather.com
Fish watch Hotline	:	1800 017 116
SE Qld Boating Weather	:	1300 360 428
Crab Pot Theft Hotline	:	1800 017 116

\$150 DOLLAR VOUCHER FROM DOUG BURT'S TACKLE WORLD



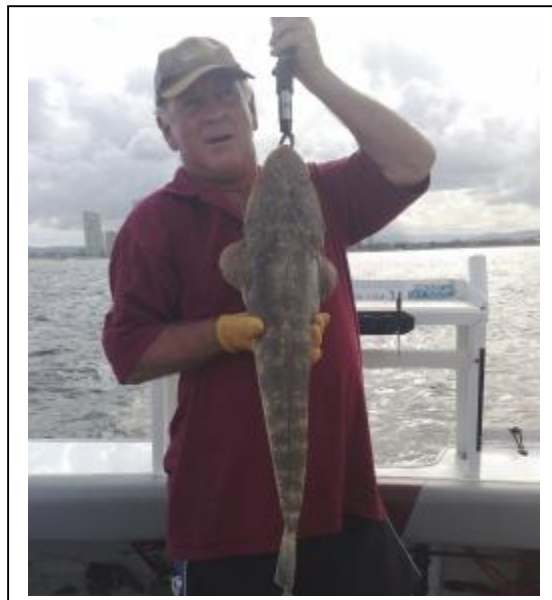
JEFF ROBINSON WITH HIS WINNING MACKEREL FOR THE FEBRUARY
OUTSIDE COMP

Here is a picture of my Mackerel **120cm** I caught on a Classis F18 , colour was blue and purple, we trolled at about 9-10 knots and was up near Couran Cove. He had three runs before he was tired enough to gaff him and bring him onboard. We had tried Mermaid and even went down as fas as Palmy only to catch Bonito and one Yellowfin and after about three hours we went north to get this one in about twenty mins of getting there.

\$150 DOLLAR VOUCHER FROM DOUG BURT'S TACKLE WORLD

TERRY RYAN WITH HIS
WINNING FLATHEAD 77cm FOR
THE FEBRUARY INSIDE COMP.

Fish was caught along the
Seaway walls during the afternoon
on a 4" Gulp Minnow.



JAMIE'S FISHING REPORT

Gaday all.

Fishing report or as it was non fishing report for the month.

It's been a shocker weather wise, the outside fishing has been out of the question for me this last month. The week ends have just not allowed me to venture out to get too stuck into the Mackerel that have been getting caught lately.

The reports from Paul Burt have been showing some brilliant fish captures from tailor to mackerel.

The inside fisherman would probably have an all right time for mid week trips

It has been reported that some big tailor have been around at night up the jumpinpin way, with the best reported weighing in at around 3Kg's.

The bread and butter species are still around in reasonable numbers.

There has been some reports of large Pelagic's in the Seaway over the last few days with Longtail and Macktuna along with Trevally and tailor chasing the bait schools.

There's been a few Wahoo showing up south of the seaway on the 24 fathom line.

I just wish I could get out to chase a few. The Easter Bream Classic is coming up fast, Steve will have more about that at the Meeting on Thursday April 9th.

Hopefully next month has better weather to get out chasing the Mackerel and whatever else you feel the need to catch.

Till next month good fishing.

**LOGAN RIVER MARINE'S TACKLE SHOP IS HAVING A CLOSING
DOWN SALE, MOST ITEMS ARE AT COST PRICE.**

**FEBRUARY TARGET FISH INSIDE BREAM/OUTSIDE SPOTTY MACKEREL
 COMP WINNER INSIDE TERRY RYAN/OUTSIDE JEFF ROBINSON
 GAMES MASTERS MONTHLY POINTS REPORT**

NAME	FISH	SPECIES	CM	SPECIES	CM	SPECIES	TOTAL
Steve McConnell	5	pearl perch	65,35	snapper	50,45	dolphin	57
Guy McConnell	5	snapper	90,55,50	flathead	55	Mang/jack	45
Darren Nagorcha	2	tarpon	50	man/jack	45		
Steve Wilson	1	y'tail king	100				
Chris Nelson	4	trevalli	49,46.5,44	flathead	41		
Tom Ryan	4	flathead	60,53,48	whiting	36		
Jamie Farraher	1	spot mackerel	88				
Terry Ryan	4	flathead	77,62,52	Bream	26		
Peter Denaro	2	span mackerel	110,	snapper	51		
Jeff Robinson	1	span mackerel	120				

LISTED BELOW ARE THE YEARLY COMP POINTS TOTALS

NAME	MONTH	PTS	TOTAL	NAME	HANDICAP NOVEMBE
Dan Halls	Feb	0	1101	G McConnell	12.5
Mike Halls	Feb	0	680	J Robinson	10.0
Guy McConnell	Feb	555	1565	Dan Halls	
Steve McConnell	Feb	352	1527	J Morris	2.5
Rob See	Feb	0	546	P Denaro	12.5
Peter Denaro	Feb	322	1302	P Harich	2.5
Steve Wilson	Feb	200	415	C Pulvirenti	1
Tony Lemasurier	Feb	0	535	Terry Ryan	1
Fay Rhwopoe	Feb	0	98		
Sarah Lemasurier	Feb	0	35		
Irene Robertson	Feb	0	427		
Jamie Farraher	Feb	176	587		
Paul Harich	Feb	0	651		
Darren Nagorcka	Feb	145	426		
John Morris	Feb	0	331		
Graham Kennedy	Feb	0	293		
Chris Nelson	Feb	320	417		
Christine Hunt	Feb	0	136		
Tracey Memmen	Feb	0	0		
Paul Neilsen	Feb	0	404		
Jake Neilsen (J)	Feb	0	242		
Luke LeMasurier	Feb	0	92		
Gail LeMasurier	Feb	0	69		
Terry Ryan	Feb	398	448		
Corey Tarr	Feb	0	404		
Jeff Robinson	Feb	240	240		
Tom Ryan	Feb	394	394		

**APRIL OUTSIDE TARGET FISH SPANISH MACKEREL
 INSIDE TARGET FISH WHITING & BREAM LENGTH COMBINED**