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Cover Photo: A Santa Marlin for a Santa Team.



From Top: Gambler, Witchway and Nomad enjoying a colourful sunset on Moreton Bay.



WELCOME to this Summer edition of "The Magazine". Since the last Edition, the fishing has slowed down and the Committee has been undertaking maintenance at the club facilities and organising Back to Tangas 9.

It was great to see a large turnout of members, families and friends at the annual presentation awards and

Christmas party in December. The ladies put on a fantastic spread of tasty finger food and it was an opportunity for new members to meet some old hands. Congratulations to all of the trophy winners for the 2016 fishing year. Was good to see some new members doing well and taking out the awards. A highlight for the kids was arrival of Santa and receiving some pre-Christmas gifts. Thanks to Annabel and Ron for making their fabulous house available for the event. The list of winners and photos are in this magazine.

This year the SE Queensland Threadingham Perpetual trophy will be run over four events, the SCGFC Spring Shootout, Redcliff Australia Day comp, "Back 2 Tangas 9", and the Gold Coast April Blue marlin classic. It will be great to get two MBGFC boats at the events, and of course a great showing at our tournament.

During the past six months a number of club members have fished a number of SE Queensland competitions including the SCGFC spring shootout. Clinton Hicks and his team on **Reel Affair** managed to win the under 7m boat prize with a great tagged Blue

marlin. A short article and pictures are included. Wayne and Mark and the boys fished the MGFC bash on **Nomad**, and whilst they hooked some fish, the high scoring marlin evaded them. From all accounts Mark's boys enjoyed the luxury of the 36' Blackwatch.

We organised a Club rally weekend in September school holidays and it was great to get 11 boats and crews across for a fish and social get together and Barbecue on the Sunday. Thanks to a number of new members who came along, as the committee was able to show them the fantastic club grounds and how the place works. A number of gift cards and other prizes from Mossops tackle were awarded for the top fish.

This year's GARMIN "Back 2 Tangas 9" has been scheduled for 3-5th March 2017, so drop a date claimer in your diary, and start organising your team. The committee have been pre-planning the event and promises to have good entertainment, fun, great food and drinks and a bumper prize pool. Many thanks to the Sponsors who have committed, and if you would like to co-sponsor the event please contact Noel Webb or a committee member.

To all skippers and anglers, remember to get your Activity and Capture sheets and Tag cards back to Secretary within 30 days of capture for entry into the QGFA database.

On behalf of the committee, we would like to wish all members and their families a safe summer season. The little Black Marlin have moved into the inshore grounds and there is a ton of bait off the Gold Coast, so now is the time to target our great summer pelagic fishery.

Have a great New Year.

Nick Currey

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“Back 2 Tangas 9”
3rd – 5th March 2017
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ANNUAL PRESENTATION DAY 2016

THE Trophy Presentation and Christmas Party for 2016 was another great day. Thanks to everyone who was there, it was the best turn out for years. Thanks to Ron and Annabel for the fabulous venue and those who help with the food. Below are the recipients for this year's trophies and also photos of the Christmas party afternoon.



Club Champion (Highest points in club rallies)
Tuck Fanning Trophy (Highest points Angler)
Brently Theatre Trophy (Highest female points)
Gordon White Trophy (Highest junior points)
First Marlin of the Season
Most Tagged Billfish
Highest Points Fish Other Species
Highest Points Fish on 6kg
Highest points Fish on 8kg
Champion Boat over 8M
Champion Boat under 8M
Junior Encouragement Award
Ross Wood Memorial Award
Mal Ramsay Memorial Award

Rick Winsor 4,500 points
 Cameron Spence 18,975 points
 Charlotte Ditchfield 1,800 points
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*Just sit right back and hear a tale, a tale of an eventful trip,
Set off from Aquatic Paradise for an eight day trip.
We headed out from Moreton Bay, eight eager bods aboard,
The wind did blow, the waves stood up, lightning and it poured.
All through the night we soldiered on, nautical miles rolling by,
No food, no drink, sit down, hang on, some stomachs didn't last.
Taking turns at sitting watch, moving around was tough,
Tides and northerly winds made our journey very rough.*



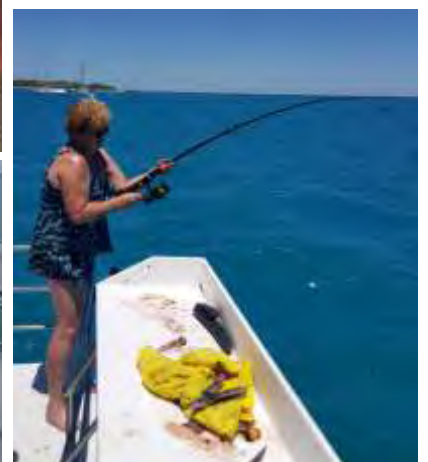
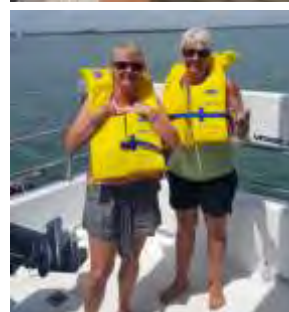
IT was 8 am on Sunday 13th November when eight of us cast aside the mooring ropes at Aquatic Paradise on-board Ron and Annabel Prefontaine's magnificent 65 foot powered cat, **Vision One**, heading for Lady Musgrave Island for a week R&R. With afternoon storms forecast and a 15 knot northerly pushing up a short chop, the going was rougher than we anticipated. Up at Noosa looking back, the Sunny Coast was getting smashed by a storm, as we ran before the wind. Our planned 27 hour trip to Lady Musgrave, turned into a 32 hour journey, due to sea conditions. From the north of Moreton Island to Lady Musgrave we were riding some rough seas. Everyone has joked since, that we could handle any weather on the seas now.

We arrived at Lady Musgrave around four pm on the Monday, in time for drinks and nibbles on the poop deck, and to sit and gaze in awe at the beautiful sunset over the island. It was lucky that some of the crew had checked on the entry into the lagoon, as it was quite tricky to manoeuvre through the narrow entry, but it was done quite expertly and once inside quite calm.

First thing the following morning, fishing rods were in, and in a short amount of time three large Painted Sweetlip, a couple of Remora, a few Tusk fish and a Sole were landed. The fresh fish dinner that evening was delicious!

After lunch we headed over to the island but most of us were too chicken to snorkel after seeing a large shark glide by. Instead, walking right around and exploring the island, was very interesting. The amount of beautiful shells, and clams was amazing and the birds nesting in the trees were incredible. For some of us it was the first time to see fresh turtle tracks leading to nests in the dunes. Hopefully the hundreds of nests that we saw will develop and hatch with a good survival rate.

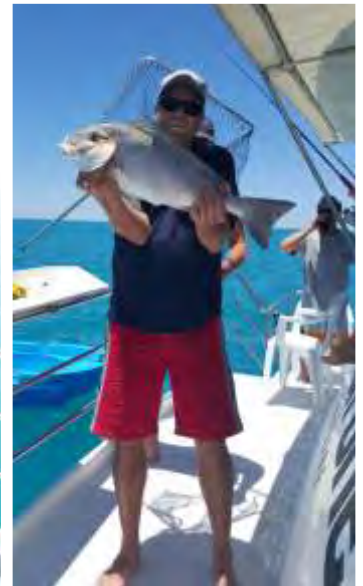
That afternoon we checked on the weather with BOM and Coast Guard and the forecast was for the southerly wind to come up once again on the Thursday, so we decided to play it



safe and head off for three days tucked in behind Fraser Island on Wednesday. A wise decision.

On our trip back down, we had a couple of small honeyeaters hitch a ride, who knows what they were doing out in the middle of the ocean. First stop was Platypus Bay - Lagoon Anchorage, a very picturesque place to spend the night. It was also very calm with the easterly winds, no rocking and rolling that night. Bliss!

Thursday was just a short trip down the coast to Yankee Jack Creek in the Sandy Straits and Friday we motored to Pelican Bay at the southern end, near Tin Can Bay. Another lovely spot to spend the night, but we're not sure where the pelicans were! Once again a little tricky getting in, but well worth it once inside.



Saturday morning was our first bar crossing experience across the Wide Bay Bar. A login with Wide Bay Bar VMR gave us the best waypoint route and with skipper, Michael, who has a lot of surf boat experience, we handled it very well and we were soon scooting south on our way to the club land on Moreton. Arriving around nine o'clock at night, it was great to be met by club members, Ross and Jenny who had motored up for the weekend.

It was a beautiful night and the following day was just spectacular. After waking up and being able to see the starfish under the boat we spent hours in the beautifully clear and calm water. Early in the afternoon it was decided that we had better end our lovely journey and head back to reality.

It was wonderful to discover just how helpful and accessible the Coast Guard and Marine Rescue are. The information they provide through monitoring your progress up and down the coast, and just the fact of someone knowing where you might be is very reassuring. This is a service we should all be supporting - financially, by being members and by logging on and off when we head out to sea, even if it is just to cross the bay!

The eight of us, Ron, Annabel, John, Sharyn, Gerry, Gail, Michael and Carol had a wonderful time. With a well organised menu and everyone helping we ate very well with omelettes for breakfast, fresh bread, curry, lasagne, prawns, barbecues and of course lots of fine wines and cocktails! What an eventful and exciting trip, many thanks to Ron and Annabel for taking us along. Now where can we plan the next trip too?



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SPRING in south east Queensland – got to love the warmer weather, warmer water bringing in the Marlin and other pelagics. With conditions looking good, we decided to fish the Sunshine Coast GFC Spring Shootout tournament, held on the October long weekend.



After doing three tournaments on other boats, it was time to do this one, on our **Reel Affair**, a 625 Cruisecraft. A good friend of mine, Ivan Verhage was keen having caught his first Blue marlin the week before, but not a club member, so after a couple of quick calls and some speedy paperwork with Noel and Nick, Ivan was soon a new MBGFC member. Team made up of myself, Michele Hicks and Ivan Verhage. Also entered from MBGFC was Paul Ditchfield and family on **Black Habit**.

Briefing was on the Friday night and most of the boats rafted up at the Kawana Waters hotel pontoon. A large turn-up for the first comp of the season and we were fortunate to only pay \$150 for our boat in the Calcutta.

Saturday morning saw us head the 45 nm out to the Noosa Canyons where the action was. With heaps of dolphins, bait, pilot whales and birds- all signs indicating fish in the area. Pulled up and set the trolling gear only to realise when putting the Witch Doctor teaser out it kept on going – Ooops!! was not connected to the rope, which resulted in a major search and rescue operation (luckily witch doctor

floats). With a number of boats working the area and getting strikes on fish, there was lots of anticipation and mid-morning, we got the strike and hooked up. Ivan was on strike and the Beast master 50/80 peeled off a good 500 metres of 24kg line as a good Blue Marlin trashed the ocean. Ivan fought for 45mins and Michele did a great job tagging it at 11:51am. Fantastic effort and **Reel Affair** was on the board. Always great to be a small boat and out-fishing some of the bigger boats.



Not many fish were caught that day and we were pretty excited with the position we had on the scoreboard. We just made it back for Albert and Pauline to check the gear- 7:20 cut off at 7:30 pm. Sunday was an early start again heading out to the same area and the weather was pretty good. Still plenty of dolphin, pilot whales birds and bait again. Unfortunately, we only managed a strike on Sunday afternoon, ending up the day with 1.1.0. Plenty of tall tales that evening as the Rugby Grand Final was on the TV.

Monday morning was presentation day and it was an awesome feeling to win the under 7m boat trophy, on our first competition entering **Reel Affair**. Many thanks to SCGFC for running a great competition and the sponsors. We will be back , and now looking forward to competing at other SE Qld competitions, especially Tangas 9.

Clinton Hicks



CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR AT TANGAS



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Northern Blue Fin Tuna

Written by Club Member Graham Bell and published in the Club's 1981 Annual Report

ONE good thing about fishing for Northern Bluefin Tuna is the relatively close proximity to the mainland which allows anglers with smaller, less equipped boats, to experience the wonderful thrill and challenge of battling these powerful determined gamefish.

However, as in most forms of fishing whether it be bottom fishing outside for Snapper, Tailer fishing in the surf, trolling for the elusive Sailfish or even Whiting fishing – to be successful the keen angler has to specialise. Tuna fishing is certainly no exception.

When I started fishing for Tuna about seven years ago it didn't take me long to realise that the success of the angler was, to a large degree governed by the quality of his gear. You certainly had an uphill battle on your hands especially with light gear when you tackle these powerful beasts with faulty reels and well used lines. Over the past years I have noticed that stocks of tuna seemed to have depleted somewhat, or else they are getting a great deal smarter, so when you do eventually "hook up" you certainly need as much going for you as possible.

Prior to our last spectacular tournament at Tangalooma in early April, I found the Tuna to be more co-operative in the earlier months of February and March. I am sure that because of their now high commercial value the trawlers are fishing quite seriously for this species and therefore thinning them out and making them more finicky than ever as the season goes on. I heard of some extraordinary large catches by the trawlers earlier this year which means of course that next year get in early.

Traditionally, the first two days of the tournament seemed to produce the best catches of Tuna so it was our plan to fish the bay on Monday and Tuesday and head outside for Sails on the remaining 3 days. Monday saw us travelling from one end of the bay to the other trying various spots and it wasn't until the 2.00 p.m. radio sked did we strike any activity. It was action stations immediately and before long we had burleyed up a large school of flashing hungry Tuna right under the boat. There were bodies going in all directions with reels screaming and lines crossing each other and all in all a real schmozell. After numerous break-off's we settled down and got our act together.



Graham Tuna fishing in 2005

Joe Hirsch sat at the dinette recording the strikes, hook ups and tags, Mars kept sufficient burley going to maintain the feeding frenzy of the Tuna while Lyall McLean, Maurice Lonzar and myself played fish continually until lines out at 4.00 p.m.

Two hours of solid tense Tuna fishing with heartbreaking losses at the most crucial times still resulted in 16 beautiful fish being tagged and released all on 6kg line. We left the school at 4.00 p.m. and headed back to Tangalooma quite elated and thoroughly exhausted mainly from concentration and tension with 4,899 points on the board.



Tuesday, we thought we were in for a real bonanza. We struck activity first up and had 5 tagged and released within the first 2 hours. However, they disappeared as quickly as they came and frustration set in as we argued and debated as to where we would try next. Silence was the order for the next 4 hours as we patiently cruised to various spots in the bay eagerly listening to the radio skeds for the fishing reports wondering who was doing what.



Photos accompanying this article were taken in 2005 with Graham and crew still enjoying Tuna fishing in Moreton Bay on Graham's bigger "Northern Blue".

Nobody seemed to be catching Tuna and we were fast running out of patience. Exactly one hour later than the previous day 3.00 p.m. it was on again. A great school of Tuna came racing up our burley trail and stayed with us for the remaining one hour of fishing. We tagged and released a further 8 on 6 kg line and once again had to leave the school to return to base. With 8,700 points on the board we had a convincing margin.

Wednesday as planned we changed our gear over for trolling outside for Sails and joined the fleet north of Hutchinsons. The weather was turning foul with rain squalls and a strong south-easter but not to be deterred we persisted trolling and raised 2 Sails to the baits which were politely devoured leaving a nice shiny hook and no leaping Sail. However, a good Wahoo was taken aboard which weighed in for a few more points.

That night the weather report was for the worst – 25 knot from the south-east with rain. The crew weren't impressed and it was decided to fish the bay and endeavour to get some action footage on Tuna for Channel 7. Not a good move as it turned out we didn't get a strike all day but the boys outside on Sails had a good Day. Needless to say the predicted weather report was wrong and Thursday turned out calmer than Wednesday.

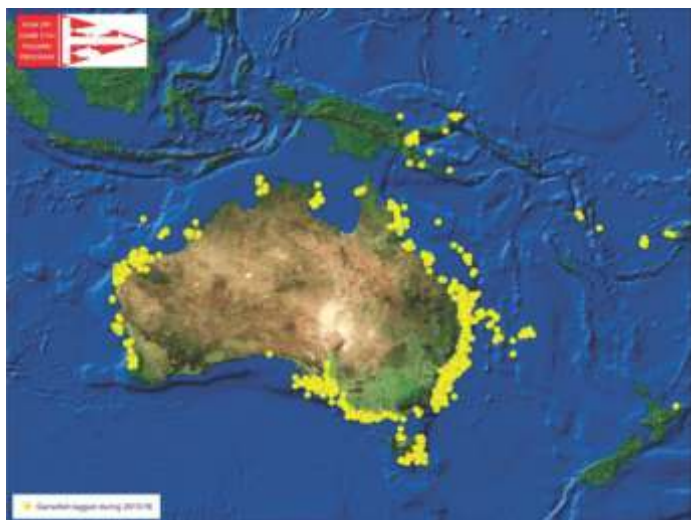
Friday – Day 5 – last day. What do we do? After discussion it was agreed to try for sharks. We mustered up all the burley we could find and changed our gear accordingly. A long patient fight with a Bronze Whaler on 3kg was had by the writer but not long enough. Unfortunately, he still had too much fight and the 70 lb leader parted just prior to gaffing. However, Maurice managed one Tuna for the day which saved the day being a complete write-off.

Well it was now all over for another year and congratulations to Reef Hunter who came in with 3 Sails tagged on the Friday and knocked us down to second place overall. A great close finish to a great week of competitive game fishing.



THE 2015/16 season has been another exciting season for the program, with over 11,400 tag returns and 170 fish reported as being recaptured. The season saw a number of consistent short distance recaptures as well as some interesting long distance movements from billfish, sharks & pelagic species.

Below is a map of all tag returns of released fish for the 15/16 season under the program.



The top taggers of the program for the 15/16 season has been published and can be accessed by following the below link.

<http://www.dpi.nsw.gov.au/fisheries/recreational/saltwater/gamefish-tagging/taggers>

Congratulations to our award winners who took out top tagging categories for the 15/16 season. In particular the three boats pictured below, which tagged and released the most tuna, billfish and sharks for the season respectively.



NSW DPI would like to thank all those involved in the program and values the continuing support of all anglers involved. Here is hoping for a great 16/17 game fishing season.

Third Time and Growing



A yellowtail kingfish tagged and released in Port Hacking, NSW by John Taylforth on 1 October 2015 has recently been reported as recaptured...for the second time.

The 70cm fish was tagged, measured and let go in excellent condition by John only to be recaptured 45 days later in the Hacking by Brendan Findlay who was casting lures from the shore, Brendan estimated the fish at 70cm, let the fish go and reported the recapture to DPI Fisheries. 396 days on, Andrew Talbot also fishing in the Hacking has recaptured the same fish, this time much larger in size. The kingfish measured in at 95.5cm and, after a few photos, was let go in excellent condition with the original tag in place to potentially be recaptured by another lucky angler.

South Australia to Sydney

A yellowtail kingfish caught and tagged from the shore at Port Augusta, South Australia, on 6 September 2014 by Anthony Everett, has recently been recaptured off Bluefish Point, Sydney.

After having spent 810 days at liberty the kingfish had swum at least 680 nautical miles (1265 km) following around the south and east coast of Australia and grown from 118cm to 130cm fork length. The fish measured in at 141cm total length and weighed 22.5kg. Joel Menzies speared the huge kingfish whilst fishing with a friend off Manly. Joel spotted the big kingfish whilst his dive buddy was wrangling an 18kg fish in a school of approximately 10 fish. Interestingly a boat was not needed by both release and recapture anglers!



Of the 36,186 kingfish tagged under the program 2,370 have been recaptured. This is the eighth and largest South Australian kingfish to be recaptured on the east coast of Australia and is the second one to be reported this year. The first fish swimming all the way from Port Augusta, SA to Jumpinpin, QLD.

Gold Coast Blue Marlin

A blue marlin tagged by Newcastle & Port Stephens GFC boat, Lost In Space, on 25 April 2016 whilst fishing a great blue marlin bite off Forster has recently been recaptured.



The marlin was recaptured by Gold Coast GFC boat Grinner on 25 September 2016 whilst fishing wide off the Gold Coast on the popular Riviera Grounds.

The fish was estimated at 140kg and was released once again after spending 5 months at liberty and travelling 272 nautical miles (504 km) in a North-east direction.

Reporting Recaptures

If you do happen to catch a tagged fish be sure to report it either over the phone on (02) 44247423 or online by using the online recapture form linked below.

<http://www.dpi.nsw.gov.au/fishing/recreational/resources/fish-tagging/game-fish-tagging/gamefish-recapture>

Each recapture provides vital information which is essential to improve the understanding and management of valuable game fish and sport fish species.

Details of the distance that the fish travelled and its growth are sent to the anglers who first tagged the fish and the anglers who recaptured it. A recapture certificate is also issued, along with a small reward for those really exciting recaptures!

The NSW DPI Game Fish Tagging Program issues tags free of charge and works in close association with the NSW Game Fishing Assoc, the Game Fishing Assoc of Aust and the ANSA (NSW Branch).

The program is run using funds from the NSW Recreational Fishing Trust. Over 445,000 fish have been tagged under the program so far.

If you would like to get involved in the program please phone (02) 4424 7423 or email gamefish.tagging@dpi.nsw.gov.au.



Fun with Food



BAHAMIAN MAHI MAHI

THE coast line from the Gold Coast to the Sunshine Coast now has a number of FADs in place. FADs really do attract fish and one species they attract is Mahi Mahi or often called Dolphin fish. The colour of Mahi Mahi is spectacular, the most dazzling electric blues, greens and gold's and these fish are great fun to catch.

I once landed one which weighed 38kg when fishing out wide for marlin. The Mahi Mahi was the only success of the day as much to our disappointment between us we managed to hook up 4 Marlin and were broken off each time. Mahi Mahi are beautiful to see and even better to eat.

Do try this recipe I am sure you will enjoy it.

- 1000g Mahi Mahi fillets
- 120ml fresh lime juice
- 2 limes thickly sliced
- 55g butter
- 120ml "Bundy" rum
- 2 red onions sliced into thin rings
- 2 teaspoons chopped fresh oregano
- Ground black pepper to taste



1. Arrange fillets in a 23x33 glass oven proof baking dish. Pour the "Bundy" & lime juice over the fish & and place a slice of onion on each fillet. Cover & refrigerate for 2-3 hours.
2. Preheat oven to 165c.
3. Remove fish from the fridge & pour off ¾ of the liquid. Leave the onion slices in the dish & place a thick slice of lime on each fillet. Sprinkle with fresh oregano & black pepper to taste. Place a knob of butter on each fillet.
4. Bake uncovered, at 165c for about 20-30 minutes, or until fish flakes easily with fork. Do serve with a fresh salad & a lime flavoured mayonnaise.

Enjoy!

Patty Blake



KAIZEN FISHING CHARTERS

Light tackle - Black Marlin, Sailfish, various Tunas, Dolphin Fish (Mahi Mahi), Wahoo, Mackerel, Cobia.

Cairns to Lizard Island - September to December, Giant Black Marlin season including a host of other fishing options from casting poppers at GTs to bottom bouncing.

North Queensland Coast - Generally on the way up to Cairns in the Whitsundays Townsville region light tackle fishing including Hamilton Island and Townsville tournaments.

Port Stephens - December to April, Heavy tackle, Striped Marlin, Black Marlin, Blue Marlin, Dolphin Fish (Mahi Mahi) and other species.

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SHAMROCK CIVIL PROFILE

Established in 1994, Shamrock Civil Engineering has been involved in an extensive number of high value commercial, residential and government development projects. Servicing Queensland our core capabilities include site clearing, bulk earthworks, demolition, sewer and stormwater installation, electrical and communication services installation, and road works and car parks construction.

Shamrock Civil Engineering's successful growth over the past 19 years can be attributed to remaining focused on our goal to improve and diversify our product and services, and achieve recognition as a Queensland based lead mid-tier civil construction company.

We have over 200 employees and our areas of discipline include but are not limited to: Engineering, Project Management, Quality Assurance, Estimating, Quantity Surveying, Contracts Administration, Logistics & Health and Safety. Shamrock Civil Engineering is committed to good corporate values and ethics such as honesty, integrity, teamwork and accountability. We drive our values through our policies, procedures and the way we work and interact with one another.

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1. Fish must be captured or tagged in accordance with the MBGFC rules, which will follow the rules of G.F.A.A. MBGFC rules include the following key points;
 - a. A fish gaffed for weighing points cannot subsequently be tagged and released;
 - b. Every effort should be made to release tagged fish in a state where they will survive;
 - c. Capture of game fish species will comply with Qld DPI Fisheries bag limits and minimum/maximum sizes (http://www.daff.qld.gov.au/28_3042.htm);
 - d. All edible fish to be weighed for points may be gilled and gutted on capture and an additional 10% is added to the weight of the fish;
 - e. Sharks (as per Qld Fisheries) - "cannot be in possession over 1.5m in length". Sharks under 1.5m can be weighed, however, MBGFC encourages tagging of all sharks;
 - f. Billfish conservation is important for the species and MBGFC promotes tag and release of all billfish, unless the fish is likely to be a record;
 - g. All QGFA, GFAA, IGFA potential records claims must comply with GFAA rules.
2. MBGFC fishing grounds are "Queensland local" waters which is defined as a line east of Point Danger (Qld/NSW border in the south) and a line east of Double Island Point (in the north).
3. Light tackle (1 to 10kg) line test may be used in all waters.
4. Heavy tackle (15 – 60kg) can only be used in waters greater than 100m in depth.
5. Fish captures or tagging will only be accepted by MBGFC only if;
 - a. Claims are submitted on the Club's capture notification form on which all details are recorded;
 - b. Is submitted together with appropriate completed NSW DPI Tag Card for tagged fish;
 - c. Is submitted to the Club Secretary, P.O. Box 371, Capalaba, Qld 4157;
 - d. Is received by the Club Secretary no later than one month after capture/tagging.
6. Members are encouraged to support scientific investigation by Fisheries Authorities.
7. Sportsman ship and consideration to others should be the mark of MBGFC members.
8. All boat skippers have a duty of care to ensure their vessels are seaworthy, insured and safety of the vessel and crews are first consideration.

MBGFC CLUB POINTS

Capture points listed for Billfish apply only for captures in excess of following:

Marlin (Blue, Black, Broadbill Swordfish) – 100kg, Marlin (Striped) – 75kg, Sailfish – 35kg. Points halved below these weights.

Line Class (kg)	LIGHT TACKLE							HEAVY TACKLE			
	1	2	3	4	6	8	10	15	24	37	60
Billfish Tag points	5000	4000	3000	2500	2000	1500	1000	3000	2500	2000	1500
Billfish Capture Points/kg	150	75	50	35	25	15	10	50	35	15	10
Tuna –Longtail/Yellowfin											
Tuna Tag points	1200	800	600	500	400	300	200	150	100	100	100
Tuna Capture Points/kg	150	75	50	35	25	15	10	7.5	5	3	2
Other Species Tag Point	500	400	300	250	200	150	100	75	75	75	75
Other Species Capt. Pts/kg	100	50	35	25	20	15	10	7.5	5	3	2
Sharks Tag points	500	400	300	250	200	150	100	75	75	75	75
Sharks Capture Points/kg	100	50	35	25	20	15	10	7.5	5	3	2

MORETON BAY GAME FISH CLUB LTD. MORETON ISLAND CLUB HOUSE AND LAND RULES

Effective 15th July 2015

1. All members wishing to use the Club facilities must notify the Secretary to obtain approval. Approval will only be considered if the Member has already signed a "Application for permission of MBGFC Ltd to enter upon land at Moreton Island" Form 37 for the current financial year or lodging an application. If applicant is under age of 18 years the application must be signed by both the applicant and a legal guardian. Each person staying at the Club land must sign a separate form. Club Land is for the use of members and their immediate family only (i.e. partner and children). Members may invite guests to stay at the club land on a one off introduction basis (fill in Form 37a). These guests would be expected to join the club if revisiting.
2. **FEES** are payable in advance are:
 - Members Tent Sites:** \$35.00 per night includes 2 adults & 2 children plus \$10.00 per extra adult and \$5.00 per extra child on the same site.
 - Guests Tent Sites:** \$45.00 per night includes 2 adults & 2 children plus \$10.00 per extra adult and \$5.00 per extra child on the same site.
 - Caravan:** \$50.00 per night includes 2 adults & 2 children plus \$10.00 per extra adult and \$5.00 per extra child.
 - Moorings:** Use of moorings is free for club members but if clubhouse facilities (showers & BBQ etc.) are used, a fee of \$10.00 per day per person will apply.
3. **BOOKINGS** will only be accepted through the Club Secretary; but fees must be paid in advance: Postal: P.O. Box 371, Capalaba QLD 4157 Email: admin@mbgfc.com.au
4. **ACCESS TO LAND AND USE OF VEHICLES AND TRAILERS:** All access is via the access roads only. No vehicles or trailers are to be driven on Club Land (except for unloading & loading) and all Members are requested to park vehicles in an orderly fashion allowing room for others.
5. **SHOWERS AND TOILETS:** Members are requested to hose out these areas daily and to use the stainless steel troughs to wash sand off feet before entering.
6. **BARBECUES:** The barbecues are to be cleaned well after use including drip trays and burners.
7. **KITCHEN:** The facilities are available and all refrigeration and freezer units are to be left open when no longer in use and power is to be turned off. All kitchen utensils, counters, fridges and floors must be cleaned upon departure from the Club Land. Hot water system to be left on standby upon departing Club Land.
8. **GENERATOR SHED and POWER:** Generator is to be run morning (3 hours) and evenings only (sunset till 10 pm) latest. See instructions for turning on and off. The generator shed is not to be used for storage of anything whatsoever. If possible bring diesel across for Genset and put into 200L drums – club will reimburse receipts.
9. **WATER:** Numerous taps are located around Club Land. Please use the sprinklers when possible.
10. **BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS:** Members are requested to spend a little time carrying out any maintenance needed, if it is within their capabilities. Any damaged or broken facilities to be reported promptly to a committee member or Club Secretary. All facilities to be cleaned, and locked up upon departure and keys returned to Club Secretary promptly. Welcome to assist with gardening and site upkeep for the benefit of all and preservation of the area.
11. **FIREWOOD and PETS:** Moreton Island is a declared National Park and the cutting and gathering of wood is prohibited. Pets are prohibited on Moreton Island and hence on Club Land.
12. **RUBBISH:** All rubbish is to be removed from Club Land either to the public dump at Cowan or taken off the island. Fish are only to be cleaned on the outside stainless steel bench and thoroughly cleaned after use. All frames and gut are to be immediately disposed of in the sea, but not in area immediately in front of Club Land.
13. **VEHICLE PERMITS:** Permits must be obtained to take your vehicle on Moreton Island.
14. **ABUSE OF RULES:** Committee Members have the authority to ask any tenants or visitors on Club property to leave should any abuse of the above rules occur. The Committee will act on such matter.

NEW GENERATOR STARTING AND STOPPING PROCEDURES

Starting

1. Unlock shed and do a visual check for oil/radiator leaks or damaged pipes etc.
2. Check the oil level, the dip stick has a yellow top.
3. Check the water in radiator, when engine is COLD, top up fluids using the radiator fluid or if none available clean fresh water.
4. Check the fuel in generator, it is a brass coloured cap, this must be filled daily as it is on a small tank. Fill from the 200L Drums to 20L jerry can via funnel or pump from Green 200L drum (generator tank will only run for 15 hours).
5. Turn the ignition key on and then press and hold the green button on panel until the engine starts.
6. Switch the three large breakers “on” they are pushed “up” for on.
7. Power is now running.
8. Close shed door.

Shut Down.

1. Unlock shed and do a visual check for oil/radiator leaks or damaged pipes etc.
2. Switch the three large breakers “off” – into the down position.
3. Turn the generator ignition key to off position. Generator will stop.
4. Refill the fuel in generator, it is a brass coloured cap, this must be filled daily as it is on a small tank. Fill from Green 200L drum.
5. Close shed door and lock up.

DO NOT RUN GENERATOR OUT OF FUEL

THE HOT WATER SYSTEM

Should be left on at all times.

When arriving remove the cover from the hot water system and turn the knob from vacation to hot, the pilot light will ignite the main burner, refit the cover. When locking up to leave the club again remove the cover and turn the knob on hot water system to vacation. Replace the cover and lock the cage.

SUNDRY

The BBQ gas bottle is kept in the kitchen. When leaving, make sure the grease tray on the BBQ has been cleaned out.

Clean out fridge and wipe out. Use the wet vacuum to suck out the water.

Fridges and 240 volt light switches can be left on, but ensure the 12 volt LED lights are turned off before leaving.

Toilets must be cleaned, rubbish removed and all hoses and tools locked away.

Any breakages or anything that requires maintenance must be reported to the Club Secretary as this will assist to keep on top of repairs.

Please make sure that these procedures are adhered to. If in doubt or do not understand any of the procedures contact John Moore on 0434 344 228 or David Hutton on 0411 725 299 or Paul Ditchfield on 0412152 880.

