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**Cover Photo: Team CHAOS, Champion Team
at "Back 2 Tanga 9"**



President's Report



The GARMIN "Back 2 Tanga 9" tournament was held on 3-5th March at club land at Tangalooma. With a fine weather forecast and reports of lots of marlin on the northern grounds, we attracted 34 boat entries, 95 anglers and 13 crew registered on the briefing night.

Prior to the event the committee and friends undertook a fantastic effort over a couple weekends transporting all of the gear and supplies over to the island, cleaning down the clubhouse and constructing a new gents toilet. It is not easy running a tournament on the island, requiring lots of planning and logistics required to make sure all the food, drinks and gear is present and in good working order, so our guests enjoy themselves.

The fishing was again exceptional with the bite happening up on the Northern grounds. In past 3 years the bite has happened off the Gold Coast, then off Cape Moreton and this year up North, which makes it hard to predict. A wrap

up is in the following pages of this magazine. From a competition perspective, having the boats and crews return to Tanga Base on Friday and Saturday night is fantastic to promote the comradery, and we appreciate the crews who make it back.

A special thanks to all of the committee and friends who pitched in on the weekend either manning the bar, kitchen, skeds or cleaning up. To all the Sponsors your support is really appreciated and we hope that business flows your way from the Club and competitors.

Next years "BACK 2 TANGA 10" dates – have been sanctioned by QGFA as 2-4th March 2018, with backup dates of 9-11th March 2018. Hope to see you all there.

It was with sad regret we heard that club Sponsor; Moreton Island Charters boat capsized on the North Stradbroke coastal bar during a mid-week charter in April. Fortunately all passengers and crew were rescued, but the boat was a write-off, and we hope Matt can get back into operation again. Please make sure when crossing coastal bars you wear lifejackets and log on with VMR or Coastguard services.

With end of the financial year upon us, it will be great to sort through the fishing results and see which individuals and boats have done well this year. Keen anglers, Clinton Hicks and Ivan Verhage, slipped out on 24th June and scored a fantastic Striped Marlin, which should be the last tagged fish for the year. If you are holding any capture

or tag cards please get to Noel Webb ASAP. Note: that club membership is due. If you did not get renewal forms in the mail, please contact the Secretary, Noel.

The Queensland Game Fishing Association (QGFA), AGM is scheduled for mid-August in Mackay, and with a number of recent rule changes from IGFA/GFAA filtering down to the clubs, we have summarised them in this newsletter. If there is any confusion, or clarification needed, please contact your committee. Also Mick Mieres from TGFC will be organising satellite tagging of juvenile Black Marlin and once the tags "pop-off" will be seeking assistance to retrieve them. See the note on page 14.

I wish to advise members that I will be standing down as President this year, after two years at the helm and seven on the committee. I am no longer out gamefishing after selling Aluhra, and feel it is best the club finds a motivated person who is better positioned to promote the gamefishing side of the club.

Our AGM will be held on first Wednesday 6th September. Noel and I will get notices and forms out to all members. It is an opportunity to consider stepping up onto the committee. Wishing all members and families a safe Winter and Spring, and hope you can avoid the chills, get out and enjoy those wonderful calm days on Moreton Bay.

Tight lines.
Nick Currey



The MBGFC hosted the Garmin "Back 2 Tangas 9" tournament at the club facilities on Moreton Island on 3-5th March. With stellar weather of 10 knots a fleet of 33 boats, 92 senior male, 7 female and 8 juniors fished the Friday to Saturday between the Gold Coast to northern Sunny Coast grounds. Briefing was on the Wednesday night with a great rollout and the Calcutta auction, with David Trask again running the auction. Thank-you David, your support was really appreciated and a total pool of \$7,725.00

Great news was that GARMIN marine electronics had returned as a major sponsor and donated some fantastic prizes. Also returning were major supporters, Super IGA, Kaizen Charters, Aqua Mobile Marine, Mossops, Pakula lures, Micat, Telstra Wynnum and Country 2 Coast 4x4, Moreton Bay Charters and a heap of other sponsors, so there was a great prize pool. The club is very lucky to have so many great people and companies donate products, cash and time, we wish to thank you one and all, and would appreciate everyone taking the time to browse through the list of sponsors and support them whenever possible.

Thursday saw a number of boats and people come across to setup camp and ready themselves for an early fishing start. The Bushies from Bowenville arrived for their annual beach holiday on Doctor Blue and Grim Reefer settling in with a few coldies and game of cards. It was great for the regulars to catch-up and swap tales. Albert and Pauline arrived on their good ship to man the radios, weigh the fish, measure the tackle to GFAA rules, try and keep everyone honest and tally the scores. By Thursday evening the numbers had swelled, far more than previous events. Think the word has got around that if teams are prepared to come and fish from Tangas base, may



as well make a long weekend of it and enjoy the hospitality. Puts extra pressure on the kitchen staff who stepped up and made sure that everyone was fed and the bar staff were kept extra busy.

The biggest mishap was our Past Presidents boat, BLACK HABIT lost Oil Pressure on the way to the Tournament, and had to withdraw the vessel, but all anglers in the team, including Paul, were able to be re-assigned to other Boats. Many thanks to all the skippers who took on the Black Habit team; great to see some Comradery between teams.

Fishing on Friday was in excellent conditions, and not long after lines in - 4 minutes - the radio came to the boil with the first fish, a tuna T&R by Dave Lindeman on REELAFFAIR. Soon after Josh Brazier called in a hook-up of a marlin and tagged in his Blue Marlin on AQUAHOLIC as the first marlin of the tournament. There was only one Blue Marlin and one Striped Marlin and the Striped Marlin T&R to Robert Mathews was the last of the tournament, both caught on AQUAHOLIC.

It soon was evident that the small black marlin were back on the northern grounds and the radio was soon running hot with the SCGFC, MGFC and Redcliff boats tagging a number of small black marlin.

Getting clear radio communications was again a challenge Albert trying to get information over channel 81 and 21, Albert decided this year to run the comms off his vessel parked up near Comby Point, as the club radio struggled to punch and receive a signal from boats to the north.

Not to be missed out with minor mishaps, our great Sponsor Jim of AQUA MARINE on GALAXY II, released a nice Black Marlin for much applause, but did not notice until later that the Tag did not go in. Bugger - No Tag - No Points.

There was a great run of longtail tuna in the northern parts of Moreton Bay and Scott Hodgen on ZEUS weighed in a ripper 14.6kg fish caught on 8kg line. The best 'other species' was a good Mahi Mahi of 13.9kg on 8kg for Rick Windsor on BLADE RUNNER.





That evening there was a good turnout of boats returning to Tangas base. The bar was busy, raffle tickets selling and the anglers and crew filled up on a hearty meal of Super IGA prime rump steaks and special snags on the barbi with salads and condiments.

The band, "Full House" cranked out a selection of great 80's and 90's covers and it was well past midnight by the time the last of the crews slipped off to their swags or onto their boats.



Saturday was even better weather and again saw fish being caught around the Caloundra Wide grounds and up to the Sunny coast. Some teams did extremely well with champion boat on Chaos tagging 13 marlin for the tournament.

That afternoon was very busy with all boats returning back to Tangas, and soon the Bay was pretty full, with skippers jostling for a safe anchoring spot. Albert and Pauline were kept busy processing the paperwork on his boat and Nick at the clubhouse, weighing fish and checking leaders and making sure the paperwork was all filled in to Alberts quality.



Saturday night is party night and "Full House", the band played some laid back pre-dinner music as everyone lined up for their feast of green Thai chicken curry, stir fried veggies in oyster sauce, beef stroganoff, spag bog, rice and garlic bread. The food was excellent and people went back for second and thirds. Dino's food was fantastic once again.



After the second set of music, it was auction time with some fantastic Sponsor prizes. With Brent Higgins from Sunny Coast Ray White on the soapbox he did a fantastic job again raising the auction stakes. This included a latest Samsung 7 phone donated by Telstra Shop Wynnum.



Then it was onto the glass wrecks print which attracted healthy competition.. Next up was a day's charter on Kaizen, and it really raised the stakes with the boys paying top dollar for a trip with Kaizen. The final auction was a fantastic Garmin Map 7410 donated by Garmin.

Once the night's formalities were over and done with, it was back to "Full



House" and some fantastic music for a short while, that is until the heavens opened up and down came the rain, shutting down the band, as the equipment was susceptible to rain, especially the speakers. Not to worry the bar was open and drinks continued.

Sunday morning was a slow start after a big night, with the boys drinking the

bar out of rum and cokes. The house cooks knocked out a great feed of bacon and eggs with lashings of coffee.

Into the presentation (see full results page 8), the prize pool was the best we have seen at a Tangas tournament.

All of the juniors came up and were gifted a \$50 BCF voucher and then



onto the main prize presentation. All of the prizes sponsors were acknowledged. From there the Lucky door show bags and raffle prizes distributed. And then it was all over for another year.

The Ladies were into action as well with the overall winning Lady Angler going to Aimee Brooks with 3,100 points fishing on the family 34' Blackwatch YMER. Of the eight Lady Anglers - six Caught Fish. Nice Going Ladies!

Junior Angler Bryce Bartleson took out the Junior award with 9,050 points, a score that any Senior Angler would love to have. Well done Bryce.

The winning angler, MICK REED was on CHAOS with his score of 15,100 points contributing well to the Teams total score of 39,200 points. Mathew Hubbard also with 12,100 points and Tim Graham, with 12,000 points was third placed angler, all on CHAOS, which vindicated their current standing as one of the best tournament teams on the SE Queensland circuit. A great fishing effort!

There were 102 fish tagged or captured. This included tagging 51 black marlin, 1 blue marlin, 1 striped marlin and 1 sailfish. 46 tuna were tagged or captured including a 14.6 kg Northern Bluefin Tuna, a 13.9kg Mahi-

mahi and a 8kg wahoo, mackerel and other "Funfish species".

To the hardworking committee, volunteers, bar staff, band and other helpers it was time for a quieter beer and commencement of packing up after another successful tournament.

Many thanks to all those whom attended, including our great Sponsors.

We hope to see you all again at next years "Back 2 Tangas 10" which has been scheduled for the 3-5th March 2018.



Champion Tuna.	Scott Hodgkin	4.6kg
Champion other gamefish.	Rick Winsor	13.9kg Mahi
Champion MBGFC angler.	Greg Caporn	9,150 pts
Champion Junior.	Bryce Bartleson.	9,050 pts
Runner-up Junior.	Trent Rooney	6,100 pts
Champion Female.	Aimee Brooks.	3,100 pts
Runner-up Female.	Leanne Kalpus.	1,500 pts
Champion Male.	Mick Reed.	15,100 pts
Runner-up Male.	Mathew Hubbard.	12,100 pts
Champion boat - Over 8m	Chaos	39,200 pts
Runner up boat - Over 8m	Pole Dancer	22,250 pts
Champion boat - Under 8m	One Way	10,650 pts
Runner up boat - Under 8m	Aquaholic	3,050 pts
First billfish Day 1	Josh Brazier	
Last billfish Day 1	Bryce Bartleson	
First billfish Day 2	Greg Caporn	
Last billfish Day 2	Robert Mathews	
<u>Funfish</u>		
Sweetlip	Lance McDonald	
Mackerel	Shannon Zammit	
Whiting	Boof	
Snapper	Lance McDonald	
<i>Sked draw winners</i>		
Gary O'Keefe, Rob Campbell, Tim Starling, Jack Kruger, Deano Bartleson, Peter Williams.		







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World All Tackle and Australian Record's "1442" Facelift

Many of our members and visitors to Tangas base would have marvelled at the magnificent Black Marlin cast that is either on the kitchen roof, or during "Events" displayed out above the servery.

Weighing in at a massive 1,442 pounds, she well and truly beat the existing record and also probably lost over 150 lbs during the long (10 knot) trip back into Cairns and then delays getting the gantry organised the next morning.

A comprehensive article (MBGFC Magazine Issue 1 – 2014) was written on the capture of this fish on 1st November 1973 by American angler Michael McGrath fishing aboard "Restless II", skippered by Captain Peter Wright. A number of casts were made and MBGFC was fortunate to be gifted one by Tamio Tsuji's wife, Mary-Anne.



Since arriving at MBGFC base, the cast paint has deteriorated (44 y.o.) and had some damage when it arrived. After Tangas 9, Melvin and Albert Threadingham decided the Big Girl need a facelift and tart up, so she was loaded onto Albert's boat destined for Melvin's "boutique", for some fillers (fix up the dints and wrinkles) and then into the spray booth for a body job. By all accounts our Big Girl 1442, is looking a million bucks again and will have all the guys going weak at the knees, just wishing they could angle one like her!



A few photos are included in this article, but you will have to pack up the boat, or book the 4WD on the ferry and book in for a weekend at the club grounds. "1442" should be back in the boudoir by September holidays.

Thanks Threadinghams!



SATELLITE TAGS TO BE DEPLOYED

Shortly 14 satellite tags will be deployed in Nth Qld into juvenile Black Marlin on their annual migration south. It is intended to track their movements as part of a scientific study funded by our R&D foundation to identify where they swim and use this information to determine potential impacts on the fishery based on proposed inshore developments.

These tags will detach from the fish after 6 months from tagging and appear in SE Queensland from November to January. They will probably wash up on our east coast between Townsville to Sydney and they will transmit their exact location in latitude & longitude.

This is where you as members can assist, as we need to recover these tags and a reward is offered. We will ask each club to advise members when a tag is in your area and hopefully your club members can assist in their recovery. A photo of the tag is attached. The contact number to collect reward on retrieving a tag is 0427804719.

Thanks you for your assistance in this important matter. Mick Meiers, QGFA Nth Qld representative.



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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A BEACON TO MANY A GAME FISHING BOAT

The lighthouse perched on Cape Moreton at the northeast tip of Moreton Island is a well-known landmark for the many boaties who fish the great fishing grounds around the cape. It was the first lighthouse to be built in Queensland, but not the first lighthouse built by the Queensland government, as it was built as a New South Wales light in 1857 before Queensland became a separate colony.

In 1825, Queensland's capital Brisbane was established as a penal settlement on the banks of the Brisbane River which runs into Moreton Bay. In spite of the hazards, the preferred access to Moreton Bay and Brisbane was through the southern entrance (known today as the south passage), between Moreton Island and North Stradbroke Island.

At this time, the south entrance was considered superior to the northern entrance around Cape Moreton, as it was much shorter for vessels coming from Sydney. It also provided a better anchorage and vessels were able to head to sea in a northerly wind, which was difficult to do around Cape Moreton.

Although the northern entrance to the north of Moreton Island was considered in the 1830s, it was only with the increased shipping activity due to proclamation of Moreton Bay as a free settlement in 1842, that vessels began to use the northern entrance. Buoys marking the entrance were laid in 1846 and in 1848 the pilot station was moved from Amity Point, firstly to Cowan Cowan then to Bulwer, on Moreton Island.

With the northern entrance now regarded as the main entry point for Moreton Bay, additional navigation aids were required to guide vessels. Brisbane residents



petitioned the New South Wales Government to establish a lighthouse on Cape Moreton.

Planning for the structure commenced in 1852 and a site was selected in 1853. The lighthouse was designed in the NSW Colonial Architect's Office and the drawings dated September 1854, shortly before the resignation of Edmund Blackett as Colonial Architect. Further drawings for the lighthouse are dated April 1856. The Cape Moreton lighthouse was established in 1857.

The circular tower is constructed of sandstone from the island and topped by a concrete gallery and a cast iron lantern. It was originally 67 feet (just over 20 metres) high and the light is recorded as being visible for a distance of 26½ nautical miles in clear weather. In 1928, the tower was extended and the lighthouse reached its current height of 23 metres or 75 feet to increase its range. The range of the light is recorded as 27 nautical miles.

The ground level of the tower has thicker walls, topped by a timber floor. The tower shaft tapers slightly toward the top, where the cast iron lantern sits. Access from the ground floor to the lantern is first via a ladder leading to a trapdoor in the first floor, then via the original internal cast iron spiral stair, ending in a landing below the lantern and finally another short ladder leading to a trapdoor in the lantern floor.

The external masonry and internal cast iron staircases which were part of the 1857 lighthouse still exist and are now considered to be rare.

The light consisted of 21 Catoptric lamps, in a sixteen sided iron lantern. The manufacturers of this first light are not known for certain but a 1916 report on the

lighthouse described the light as being of French origin.

The original lantern was dismantled in 1930 and replaced with a Chance Brothers lantern, housing an AGA four panel catadioptric lens, on an AGA pedestal fitted with an AGA acetylene lamp. The lamp incorporated a sun valve which automatically activated the light at sunset.

Over the years the light source went through several changes, from the oil wick, to kerosene, to acetylene gas, to electricity and finally to solar power and fully automated in 1993 when the Cape Moreton Lighthouse became unmanned.

The lighthouse and lightkeeper's quarters were mostly completed in stone, quarried from an area near the lighthouse site. Labour for the construction of the lighthouse and quarters was reputedly provided by prisoners. Tenders for painting the tower were called for only in December 1858 but most of it was left unpainted, showing the sandstone colour. The two red bands were painted on the tower in 1942 and these distinctive red bands make it a much-used day-mark.

When the light was exhibited for the first time back in February 1857, updated sailing directions for the north entrance into Moreton Bay were published. The beginning of operations of the light is recorded as generating much public interest, with the commencement of pleasure cruises/day trips from Ipswich and Brisbane into the Bay.

Additional navigation aids were erected on Moreton Island from the 1860s and included lights at Comboyuro Point, North Point, Cowan Cowan Point and Yellow Patch.



Shark Fishing at Peel Island,

By Norm Haupt (1977)

This story is on one of our better days shark fishing in Moreton Bay. (When the sharks came to the party.)

A call from Arthur Prince on Wednesday, left Peter Kirkby and myself chasing burley for Sunday. Saturday morning Peter picked up two rubbish bins of fish frames, the lids were taped in an attempt to seal in any odour.

At 3.30am on Sunday, Peter's family and neighbours were about to leave the area due to the stringent smell. After a quick trip to Norman Park, we loaded the burley on "Cordon Bleu", while Arthur and Umberta prepared to leave.

The trip down river was a good time to catch up on some sleep. When we were almost at Peel Island, Peter and myself checked all the gear, while Arthur put us on the right spot. We dropped anchor and the danbouy was attached.

The lid was lifted off the first bin of burley and within a few minutes Arthur was on his knees begging us to throw the lot, so over the side it went. (A better burley you've never seen.) Baits were then made up, Arthur had two large tuna and one golden trevally, Slabs were removed and placed on the hook, care must be taken that the hook is protruding from the bait to ensure any easy hook up.

Two lines were run out using 50 and 80lb tackle, the two baits were spaced well apart as it is not uncommon for the same shark to take both baits.

We'd just sat down for a drink, when Umberto shouted from the tower that we had two visitors behind the boat. Sure enough swimming around the burley trail were two large tigers, at a glance we estimated them to be approximately 1,000 and 600lbs.

It wasn't long before the 80lb. tackle was screaming, "action stations" the 50lb. tackle was pulled in and the deck cleared. After about 60 seconds Arthur was ready to go, drag was applied and the hook set. The danbouy was dropped and the action began. The bigger fish of the two had taken the



a fish. One look at the boat and the shark decided it had enough. In a flash the shark was under the boat, the wheels were stopped, things looked bad and after a short time the trace parted.

Back on the danbouy the other shark was finishing off our burley. The eighty ran out and in no time we were off once again, after about twenty minutes of hard work by Arthur, Peter had the wire once again.

bait so we were hopeful of breaking that magic 1,000lb. mark. After ten minutes Peter took the wire and went into action, the shark came to the surface in an attempt to throw the hook, and what

We employed a different approach, the shark was kept to the side of the boat. The first gaff was set and the fun started, with the gaff and hook in his



mouth the shark proceeded to roll. The shark was worked around to the stern where a second gaff was set. Gaff ropes were tied off on either side of the transom, and pulled up tight. After a well deserved rest a head and tail rope were applied, the shark was then tied off the bow.

Back at anchor the lines were set once again. "Lady Ruby" arrived soon after and proceeded to fish about 300 yards away. We sat back to enjoy a late breakfast, when we had a visitor arrive. This shark was on the smallish side so the 80lb. tackle was pulled in, after swimming around for some time it took the bait.

The danbouy was dropped and we hooked up soon after, the shark raced off about 50 yards, came to the surface and started to roll and thrash around. After a few minutes the line parted and another shark had won. Inspection of the line showed that the shark had rolled up the trace and on to the line, which soon frayed.

Back at anchor again the 80lb. tackle was put out and the double retied on 50 lb. tackle. The contents of the last bin of burley was dumped over, to a sigh of relief from Arthur. Soon after a shark arrived, swam around for a few minutes then moved off. Just when it looked as if we had our share for the day, two more arrived, and we had a strike on the 50lb. line. Peter took the helm, this time I was in on the action. The hook was set and the shark raced off out wide and surfaced, thrashed around then raced off again.

After about 30 minutes I took the wire



and after a struggle the first gaff was set, Arthur put in the second one then head and tail ropes were applied and the shark was tied off the bow.

Back at anchor again and "Lady Ruby" had moved in close for some of the action. A lot of the burley we put out earlier still lay on the bottom, it was

quite visible as we were only in ten feet of water. More whale oil was put out and the slick started again. After a break for lunch, we noticed a swirl around one of the balloons. The fish was sighted from the tower as it raced off with the 50lb. tackle.

Arthur hooked up and the shark raced off to deeper water. A strange fight followed and when the fish was brought to the boat, the 15 ft of trace and about 10 ft of the double was wrapped around him. The shark was coming in backwards and almost drowned, it was just out of gaff range. A couple of wraps of line were taken from around the tail in an attempt to free the line. A shot with the gaff and the shark gave a kick and the line parted. A bit of bad luck as the shark was around the 750lb. mark, a good catch on 50lb. Tackle.

Back again and "Lady Ruby" had moved in even closer, but still they had seen no action. The lines were run out once again and after a short time another visitor was behind the boat. This shark showed no interest at all and moved off into deeper water.

Umberto wanted to try wiring a shark, so he was given a quick run down on how to handle the wire. Another inquiry on the 50 lb. tackle, and moments later the reel was screaming. We never sighted this shark, but after a forty minute battle in deeper water and manoeuvring our way through the crab pots we sighted the shark. A great fish even bigger than the previous one. Umberto took a wrap on the wire as Arthur pulled the drag back, the shark turned and headed off and the wire was released. With that we were left with a bunch of grapes and a broken line.

Back on "Lady Ruby" Barry Redding was almost pulling his hair out with envy. It was getting late so only the 80lb. tackle was put out. A shark was soon sighted swimming from the direction of "Lady Ruby", but continued straight past us without any hesitation.

We were just about to call it a day when the balloon started

heading towards the boat. We were on once again, the shark put us right on top of "Lady Ruby" and Barry obliged by quickly moving, after a full day of practice this was an easy catch.

The decision was made to call it a day. The two smaller sharks were pulled inside the pit, and the large one, well! we just couldn't get him all in, so we enjoyed a steady trip back to Manly, and the new scales, which had not been used yet.

The area of the gantry was roped off, as a large crowd had gathered. The sharks were all pulled onto the jetty, and the large one weighed first, 1,001lbs! Arthur had made that magic mark. The tally for the day was; 1001lb, 463lb, 549lb, all on 80lb tackle and an 80lb on 50lb tackle.

We estimated the first fish we had lost to be around the 1,500lb mark as his smaller mate was 1,001 lbs.

A possible world record we'd missed, but the sharks will be back next year.





THE GAME FISHING ASSOCIATION OF AUSTRALIA RULE CHANGE

Proposal for alteration to the Australian Record Requirements.

P61 2017 Journal - Under Categories:
Saltwater, Freshwater, Saltwater Fly, Freshwater Fly & Land-based S/W.

#4 on all the above.

Small Fry – persons who have not attained the age of 11 years.

Add in to follow on with:

A Small Fry can not claim a junior record but may claim men's or women's & all tackle records if eligible.

Rational – To bring in line with IGFA requirements on junior & small fry records. The anglers are limited to their respective category, based on their age at the time of capture.

To become effective as of July 1st 2017

FUN with FOOD

Winter is now upon us and it always says to me – “Soup”! - There are many recipes, Vegetable, Tomato, Minestrone and many more, but then there is Fish Soup! Bouillabaisse is a much nicer name but as my recipe is not traditional I cannot use it, expensive to make but absolutely worth the cost and the effort and I have had rave reviews. I first made this for some guests visiting from France and the UK. The recipe went back to Paris and London.

You will need to make a stock and for this in a large saucepan/stock pot put 2 litres of water and to this add the green prawn heads and shells, all the crab shells and half the fillets of white fish cut into small pieces and if you can purchase it, a fish head, add 2 bay leaves, several parsley sprigs and the same of marjoram, thyme, sage and 2 thin slices of onion. Bring very slowly to the boil and then simmer at lowest temperature for at least one hour. Taste, and if not strong enough simmer for longer (the longer the more flavour). You could substitute bouquet garni “but fresh is best”. Cool and strain through a very fine sieve then heat strained stock and add peeled green prawns, crab meat, scallops, oysters and small pieces of fresh white fish. Cook for two to three minutes – check for seasoning and just before serving add cream, take care not to boil as this will curdle (separate) the soup. Serve with a sprinkle of finely chopped parsley.

You need to have –

500 grams of unshelled green prawns
2 whole sand crabs
1 jar of fresh oysters
500 grams of fresh white fish fillets
250 grams of scallops
2 litres water
herbs- marjoram, thyme, 6 bay leaves, sage, 6 pepper corns, parsley, 2 slices of onion.
1 small jar of cream
salt and pepper.



Into the water put all the heads and shells of prawns and crabs and half of the fish sliced into small pieces. Add herbs (enough of each herb to combine into the size of a bunch of parsley) sliced onion and peppercorns. Bring very slowly to the boil and then simmer for at least one hour. Cool and strain through a very fine sieve – repeat if necessary. Reheat strained stock then add prawns, crab meat, oysters and cream – taste and season if necessary – Take care not to overheat.

Enjoy! Patty Blake.

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MBGFC - Club Fishing Rules

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 412152 880.

