



AFAQ



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President's Report...

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For those that did not attend the last meeting in October I am pleased to advise that, seeing it was my first officially chaired meeting, I came out of it reasonably unscathed. I think all those present must have given me their sympathy. (Except for the POT award).

At the beginning of the meeting I touched on the need for all members to respect their fellow members and emphasized the need for tolerance. To this end a copy of the clubs "Code of Conduct" is attached to this Newsletter. I ask each member to please retain their copy and refer to it from time to time. Read it now, can you relate to it?

COTTAGE BOOKINGS

As from receipt of this Newsletter all cottage bookings are to be directed to Treasurer Alan Peiniger. Alan's preferred contact is via Email (alpine@ozonline.com.au) and for those without Email access he can be contacted at home (say after 6.30pm) on 3217 9729.

Thanks to Greg for looking after the bookings during the settling in period.

COTTAGE/SHED DEVELOPMENT

In relation to the Cottage/shed development much more homework needs to be done before we can accurately report to members and I, like everybody else, want to see this finalised as soon as possible. However a project of this size needs proper and full investigation so we need to get it right, up front with full facts being presented. So please bear with us.

MEMBERSHIP

By now all members should have paid their dues. You have until the November meeting (3/11) to retain continuity of your membership. Please keep the Treasurer happy.

CHRISTMAS PARTY

Make sure you record on your calendar, **SATURDAY 1ST DECEMBER, AFAQ Xmas Party**. Meeting starts at 9.00am with business being kept to a minimum.

It would be great to see some of the old faces make an appearance.

I know some of our more Senior members aren't as mobile as they used to be so if you wish to attend and have transport difficulties please ring me personally and let me know.

Contact me on 34083936(home) or 0409727236. No guarantees but maybe I can liaise with a member that lives in your area who can help.

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Donation from Bunnings Hardware

Bunnings Hardware, Lawnton have kindly donated to the club a BBQ. Many thanks to Bunnings and Graham Newton for organising it.

Weather Critics Eat Humble Stew

The Fraser Island 2007 A-Team may be in contention for the smart choice weather award. 25 fish were caught on the first day, and 30 on the next then 30, 40 and then 50knot winds. A few blokes went home early while the rest braved it out and enjoyed a few beers.

The weather warning below certainly is "*a long way from the selections in Jim Mischke's days (rain, hail, big seas)*"

Issued at 10:10 am on Wednesday 5 September 2007

TOP PRIORITY FOR IMMEDIATE BROADCAST SEVERE WEATHER WARNING for Dangerous Surf For people in the Southeast Coast district and **Fraser Island**.

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Synoptic Situation: A large 1041hPa high east of Tasmania and a trough off the tropical east coast have combined to produce a strong pressure gradient over the Southeast Queensland Coast. This is generating **gale force winds** and a gale warning is current for coastal waters between Sandy Cape and Coolangatta.

Large waves have developed overnight north of the Gold Coast. Conditions are more moderate on the Gold Coast.

The State Emergency Service advises that people in the affected area should **stay clear of the water** in the open ocean as **large waves** and rip currents develop.

Good luck to the B - team as they head off to Fraser this week.

Next Comp

The next fishing Comp is the final for this years club championship, and will be a beach and boat comp held at Bribie on 3-4 November. The target species is whiting. There are 7 starters so far, call the club captain if you intend to compete.

Next Meeting

The next general meeting will be held at 9:00am **3 November** at the cottage.

Royal Hotel Raffles

Dan has returned to organising the hotel raffles and is going back to the original roster system. Those on his previous rosters list will again be included. The roster will be put out 3 months in advance so plenty of notice to members should you need a replacement. Your assistance in helping the girls on 1 day every 2 months or so would be greatly appreciated. If you have any queries, please phone Dan on 07-54961298 or 0417667526.

Nov 2nd, Dan Labudda, Rob Hounslow.
 Nov 9th, Dan Hollywood, Rolly Andrews.
 Nov 16th, Ricky Bennett, Jim Attard.
 Nov 23rd, John Doorley, Alan Simpson.
 Nov 30th, Mal Slatery, Ian Venning.
 Dec 7th, Pat McShane, Peter Johnstone.
 Dec 14th, Dave Smith, Dave Nelson.
 Dec 21st, Geoff Noy, Bob Newbery,
 Dec, 28th, Graeme Goodall, Graeme Dowd
 Jan 4th, John Ellis, Alan Peiniger
 Jan 11th, Greg Harrold, Tex Bartholomai
 Jan 18th, Alan Bylett, Bob Bylett.
 Jan 25th, Garth Bess, Jim Mischke

If any probs just let Dan know.

Junior Casting Competition

The club will be holding a Junior casting competition at this years Christmas party. It will be lots of fun and there will be two contests - the longest cast and the most accurate cast with prizes for both. The same gear will be used by all, an Alvey side cast reel on a foot surf rod. This may be the inaugural AFAQ Junior Casting competition....So start practicing you young blokes!

The Junior's Caravan

Ricky has made some progress recently with the Junior's Caravan. The caravan will be completed soon, as most of the main tasks have been done.

Kirklea Klassic – Somerset Dam

There were 4 AFAQ starters for this years Kirklea Klassic at Somerset Dam. A few fish were caught and the club comp was won by Neville Lindsay weighing in 2 Yellow Belly at 1.75kg and 1.5kg, with Jim Mischke second. The boys stayed at "the lockup" and I hear it was fairly busy at the boat ramp on the last day.

Annual Subscriptions

Subscriptions are **now due** and must be paid by next meeting. Seniors \$ 50, Juniors \$ 10
