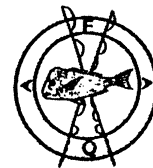




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President's Report...

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Thanks to all those who attended the AGM and once again special thanks to Jim Attard for catering.

The day was a sociable one and a very enjoyable one especially for those who stayed on a bit thanks to the musical talents of Peter Kroll, and guest for the day, Kenny Cassidy. Their ability improved as the day went on, or so it seemed!

Most members would remember Kenny from previous days when he was a member himself. He has decided to relocate to Tasmania where his family live. Bribie has lost one of their characters. Kenny contributed a lot to the club during his years of membership. His main legacy being the construction of the BBQ and paving of The Zane Grey Way. On behalf of the members I thank Kenny for his past input and also his many hours of entertainment with the guitar. We wish you well.

Kenny has been nominated as an Honorary Member. Details appear elsewhere in the Newsletter.

Your committee for the next 12 months is as follows,

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| PATRON | Jack McLeary |
| PRESIDENT | Graeme Goodall |
| VICE PRESIDENT | Ricky Bennett |
| SECRETARY | Patrick McShane |
| TREASURER | Alan Peiniger |
| COTTAGE CHAIRMAN | Jim Attard |
| COMMITTEE | Peter Johnstone Graeme Dowd Bob Newberry |

Congratulations to all.

All too often the position on the Committee can be a thankless task so it is with this in mind that I ask all members to be supportive of your Committee. Sometimes things don't always go the way we want so you must remember that the decisions of the Committee are made for the betterment of the club and on behalf of the majority of members.

The Sausage Sizzle has kicked off at Bunnings Lawnton. It is still in early stages however Ricky has taken on the task of co-ordinator. Until he draws up an official roster please try to attend if Ricky contacts you.

Congratulations to new junior member Philip Jenner. Welcome to the club Philip.

On a sad note I advise the passing of member Hugh Holyman. Hugh was a local and whilst he did not attend many club activities he was always very supportive financially.

G Goodall
President.

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AFAQ Junior Education Program

The next education program is on Chart Beacons and Navigation by Ricky. All Junior members are invited to attend the Junior education program. This is just a half hour presentation on various topics after each monthly meeting. Senior members are also welcome to attend.

| Date | Presenter | Topic Summary |
|-------|-----------|---------------------------------------|
| June | G Harrold | Fish Cleaning, Care and use of Knives |
| July | R Bennett | GPS, Depth Sounders, Instruments |
| Aug | G Newton | Boat Handling, Maintenance |
| Sept | G Dowd | Charts, Beacons, Navigation |
| Oct | P McShane | How to throw a cast net |
| Nov | J Mischke | Rod Casting, Reel Maintenance |
| Dec | Members | Johnstone Junior Casting Competition |
| Feb | N Gorman | Ropes, Splices, Knots |
| March | G Harrold | Beach Fishing," Reading" a Beach |
| April | J Mischke | Rod Making and Repairs |
| May | G Goodall | Bribie Aquaculture Farm Visit |
| June | Members | Sinker Making |

Fishing Comp Calendar

There are only 3 comps left for the year, with the next comp being at Bribie.

The November comp may still changed to be a Southport AFA combined comp on the 15th, this will be discussed at the September meeting.

6 September – Bribie

October – Somerset

1 November – Bribie

Fraser Island Social Comp

The Fraser Island A team are up there this week (from 28 August). The weather looks pretty good this year, but then again it couldn't be worse than last year. We expect a priority wind warning any minute now from the Bureau of Meteorology. Let's hope its 3rd time lucky to finally take the Fraser Shield from the invincible B team.

The B team heads up in late October with a good crew of 8 blokes. The way things are going with the Fraser Trips we may fill a C Team next year.

Bunnings Hardware - Sausage Sizzle

The club has secured the following dates to conduct sausage sizzles at Bunning's Hardware at Lawnton. These are all basically the 3rd Saturday of each month.

20 Sep, 18 Oct, 15 Nov, and 13 Dec.

The club needs you to participate in this fund raiser. Can you please put your name down for one of these dates with the coordinator Ricky. Thanks again Ricky

Christmas Raffle

The 2008 Christmas raffle this year is a \$300 voucher for Bunnings Warehouse or BCF as first prize, and second prize is a \$100 voucher. The raffle will be drawn at the Christmas party.

Members are asked to put in an even bigger effort to sell tickets this year since we no longer have the weekly hotel raffles.

Thanks to Graeme Dowd for printing the tickets again this year.

Notice of nomination for Honorary Membership

During the meeting of the 2 August it was moved seconded and accepted by members that Ken Cassidy be considered to become an Honorary member of the AFAQ.

Members are hereby notified that on 1 November 2008 at the general meeting, Kenny Cassidy will be considered by vote for Honorary Membership. P McShane ,Secretary AFAQ

Christmas Party

Looks like the 2008 Christmas Party will be held on 6 December. Last years party was the best for some time. There will be the Johnstone Junior Casting competition, and the crab races, along with good music, food and a few coldies.

The Johnstone Junior casting competition has two categories, distance and accuracy. In AFAQ tradition, the Alvery side cast reel will be used for the event. There are great prizes up for grabs.

Jim Mischke will be providing a casting workshop after the November meeting.going by last year some of you young blokes could do with Jim's tips and some practice.

Annual Subscriptions

The annual subscription and accommodation fees were set at the 2008 AGM and it was decided to increase the annual subscription fee slightly

Annual Subscription Seniors \$ 60, Juniors \$ 12
Nomination Fee Seniors \$ 50, Juniors \$ 5

Accommodation fees remain unchanged from 2007/08

Subscriptions are **now due** for the 2008/09 financial year.

Next Meeting

The next general meeting will be held at 9:00am **6 September** at the cottage, followed by a fishing comp.
