

**Season  
2019**

# HOOK-UP



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*The new year presents light tackle fishing experiences. The raft up in Matilda Bay and the Marlin Cup are almost upon us.*

## Fishing

Looks like a challenge for the light tackle exponents to get amongst the plentiful but small pelagics in the metro area, for club points and or a feed.

Plenty of yellowtail kingfish around the west end of Rottnest, mostly under 6kg, southern bluefin tuna out wide, around Rottnest and between Rottnest and Garden Island have been keeping anglers busy as have kawa kawa (mack) tuna in the Rottnest/ Garden Island space.

Tim Carson reports that offshore Mandurah and around Cockburn Sound Spanish mackerel are making an early run. The specimen at right was nailed by angler Glenn Smethurst on a floating mulie 7km off Mandurah last Friday. Very encouraging.

Again out of Mandurah the perennial Dylan Picken had a great day a couple of weeks back with plenty of table fish including a little YTK which no doubt will appear on the All Species Table in the next Hook-Up.



## MAJOR EVENTS

### Family Day

**20<sup>th</sup> January**

Now in its third year the family day and kids quiz and treasure hunt will be held on the river. A great day out for all the family and friends.

[CLICK HERE](#)

### Bluewater Tackle World Marlin Cup

**9<sup>th</sup> -10<sup>th</sup> February**

By the time this event comes around we'll all be hanging out to shake the cobwebs off the propellers.

Major changes have been made to the comp for 2019 including free entry.

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### Shimano WA Open

Jurien Bay 13<sup>th</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup> April.

### Full calendar details

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Contacting regular sources of fishing activity suggests the reason there has been little news is not a lack of fish but a lack of fishing activity which is expected to pick up around this weekend.

On an even brighter note, the Swan River is going well for large full crabs – to find the active area cruise until you spot others netting.

## Bluewater Tackle World Marlin Cup

Coming up very soon – entry forms and Briefing Notes are available on the website.

Now is a good time to get entry forms in and book a pen at Rottnest. Click on the image, right for the link.

Briefing Night is Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> February at Bluewater Tackle World 85-87 North Lake Rd, Myaree

*Several skippers are looking for crew for the Marlin Cup. If you would like to join in, please contact Dave Littlejohn on 0439 949004 or [contact@pgfc.com.au](mailto:contact@pgfc.com.au)*



## Gilligan's Cruise

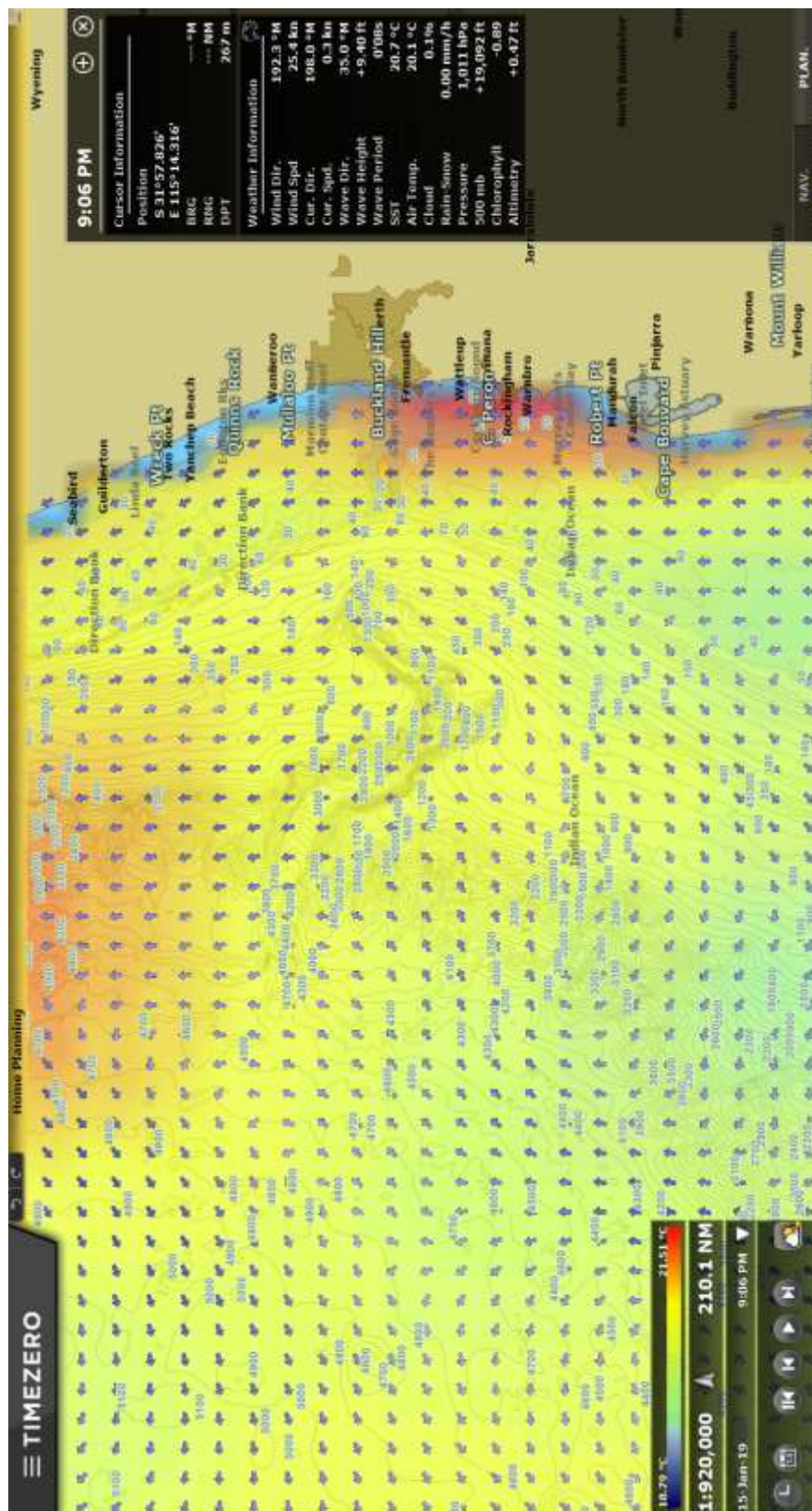
Held on the Swan River on the evening of 29<sup>th</sup> December, 30 or so members enjoyed the scenery, the company, the food and refreshments while enjoying the sunset from charter boat Australia Blue.

Thanks to Tim Carson for the concept and some excellent beef, Dave Littlejohn for the organising, food and drinks Mark Jamieson for filling all the gaps and skipper and host Kristin McCarthy for the boat. This is sure to be repeated in late 2019.

## Shimano WA Open

To be held at Jurien Bay in April, when the weather should be kindest, the expectations are for a bigger fleet than the past two years. The tournament will be very similar in format to previous years with lots of fun socialising and as always plenty of fish to catch. In 2018 two FADs were strategically deployed and provided tons of action. This will be repeated in 2019.

# Temperature and Current Chart - 9pm 15<sup>th</sup> January



Thanks to Tim Carson for the reproduction



## 2019 Calendar

	Dates	Activity	Location
January	Sunday 20th	Swan River Treasure Hunt	Matilda Bay
February	Tuesday 5th	Bluewater Tackle World Marlin Cup Briefing and Social Night	Bluewater Tackle World Myaree
	Sat & Sun 9th & 10th	Bluewater Tackle World Marlin Cup	Rottneest Island
March	Tuesday 5th	Social Night and Marlin Cup Presentations <b>Challenge Batteries Presentation</b>	RPYC Fremantle
April	Tuesday 2nd	Social Night - <b>Feature -Mansfield Marine - Presentation on Caribbean Boats</b>	RPYC Fremantle
	Friday 12th	Shimano WA Open Briefing	Jurien Bay
	Sat-Mon 13th - 15th	Shimano WA Open	Jurien Bay
	Monday 15th	Shimano WA Open Presentation	Jurien Bay
May	Saturday 4th	Ladies & Juniors Competition and Social	RPYC Fremantle
June	Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup>	Social Night - <b>Kimberley Pearl Charters Presentation</b>	TBA
July	Tuesday 2nd	Social Night - <b>FAD Presentation</b>	RPYC Fremantle
August	Tuesday 6th	Social Night - <b>Furuno Presentation</b>	RPYC Fremantle
	Sat & Sun 17th & 18th	Snapper Comp	RPYC Fremantle
September	Tuesday 3rd	Social Night	RPYC Fremantle
October	Tuesday 1st	Social Night	RPYC Fremantle
	Sat 12 <sup>th</sup>	4s' Competition	Rottneest Island
November	Saturday 2nd	Annual Presentation Dinner	RPYC Crawley
	Tuesday 12th	Annual General Meeting	RPYC Fremantle

## All Species Competition

Progress Scores to 15th December 2018	Male	Length	Female	Length	Smallfry Junior	Length	Sponsor
Baldchin Groper	Dylan Picken	51cm					
Breaksea Cod	Sam Whitehead	49cm			Lochlan Turrell	39cm	
Dhufish	Dylan Picken	89cm					
Hapuka/ Bass Grouper/ 8 Bar/ Blue Eye							
Herring	Dylan Picken	20cm					
King George whiting	Zandri Oosthuizen	43cm					
Pink snapper	Dylan Picken	51cm					
Queen snapper							
Red snapper							
Samsonfish/ Amberjack	Sam Whitehead	108cm					
Sand whiting	Brett Martin	33cm			Rhys Martin	31cm	
Skippy							
Tailor							
Yellowtail Kingfish							

### Rules

Species may be captured anywhere on the West Australian coast.

Rod and reel captures only (electrics also included).

No restrictions on lines, leader, hooks or lures.

All captures must abide by the Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development (Fisheries) rules and regulations.

### How to enter

Members wishing to enter a designated species capture into the competition must:

Take a photo of the fish laying on a Shimano or other brag mat to verify the length (fork length, not total length).

Take a photo of the angler holding the fish.

Send both photos, the anglers name, species name and the fork length of the fish to [ash.hicks87@gmail.com](mailto:ash.hicks87@gmail.com) 0419510262 within 30 days of capture. Captures made in September must be received by 30 September to be considered for the 2019 competition



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Competition

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## 2019 Strike Magazine

The 2019 Strike Magazine, which is bigger than usual and full of good stories and useful information, will now be mailed in mid- January. Unforeseen circumstances have resulted in it missing the print deadline before Christmas.



Some examples of images from stories

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## Contributors

Contributors to this issue of Hook-Up were, Peter Babarskas, Josh Bruynzeel, Tim Carson, Peter Coote, Ash Hicks, Mark Jamieson, Dave Littlejohn, Dylan Picken and John Webber.

January Family Day (click on image for more information)

**FAMILY**  
**DAY 20**  **Sunday**  
**JANUARY**

**Treasure Hunt & Quiz**  
**Update**

**Fun day on the river**  
**Bring your kids - or borrow some.**  
**Host Vessel "Australia Blue"**

**No boat - join Australia Blue from Fremantle for the day.**  
**Pick up 11:00 from Charter Boat (Sardine) Jetty Mews Road (between Endeavour Shed and Boat Lifters)**

*START TIME: Whenever it suits you*  
*RAFT UP: Picnic / BBQ in Matilda Bay at 1:30.*  
*Look for "Australia Blue" with lots of flags.*  
*PRIZES: for the kids*  
*TREASURE HUNT & QUIZ: Quiz on items between Freo and Elizabeth Quay*  
*KIDS FUN: Casting comp, swimming race*  
*WHAT to BRING: Food and drinks boat fenders and ropes*

**Contact - John Webber 0407 386734**  
**Quiz and other details on the website [www.pgfc.com.au](http://www.pgfc.com.au)**



Bluewater Tackle World Marlin Cup (click on image for more information)

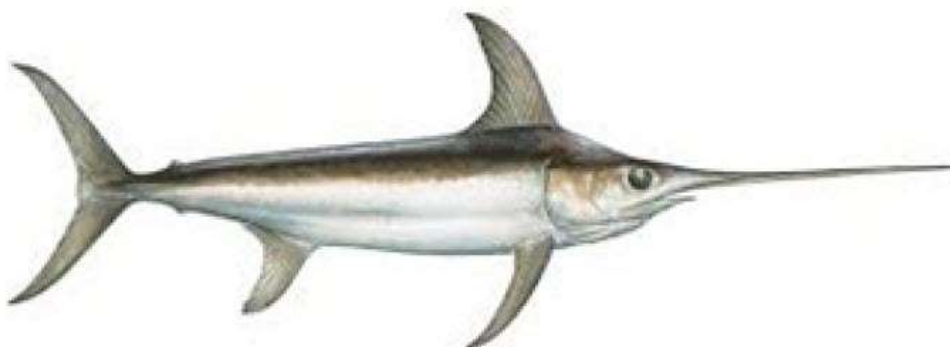


## 2019 MARLIN CUP

This year it's a FREE Club competition.  
No frills just fishing.



9th and 10th February 2019



Qualifying event for the 2020 Offshore  
World Championships in Costa Rica



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## SEEKING EXPERIENCED SKIPPERS

The Hotel Rottnest Port to Pub Swim is seeking experienced skippers with accompanying vessels to take on the role as a Race Official boat.

The Port to Pub Swim is in its fourth year, it is a well-organised event which attracts top class swimmers from all around the world, and also home-grown swimmers of all levels. The swim departs from Leighton Beach across to Rottnest Island.

As the Race Official boat, you will be on the water with 3 other Race Official boats (4 in total), all with slightly varying roles. ie, lead vessel, chief referee, Tail end Charlie. You will also, have at least 1 x Swim Official on board to administer the rules of the swim, report to the Race director, communicate with other Race officials and FVSRG.

The event date is **Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> March 2019** and would entail a 5 am start to 5 pm finish. Skippers and boat owners will have all expenses covered (Fuel, food, drinks).

Accommodation at Rottnest for Saturday and Sunday night (private or shared), and a suitable mooring in Thomson Bay. Event merchandise provided (Skipper's water proof jacket, hats, towels, long sleeve Tshirts).

If you would like more information, please contact Andy Roberts on 0421572914, [andrew@porttopub.com.au](mailto:andrew@porttopub.com.au).

Thanks in advance.

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