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2019**

HOOK-UP



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Looks like the Marlin Cup has gone off over the weekend as well as the Ian McCarthy Trophy. New member's boat. Discussion of the Marlin Cup. Notes on an Exmouth trip from a club member.

Bluewater Tackle World Marlin Cup



Great news for the angler, boat, Club and Perth metro fishing when the Club's first ever broadbill swordfish caught in a tournament was tagged and released in the Bluewater Tackle World Marlin Cup last weekend. Around midnight on Saturday night, angler Brett Martin aboard Mark Jamieson's Bottom Line completed the capture of the smallish fish in 440m of water north-west of the Hillarys Yacht Club FAD.



Brett Martin (L) and Warren Jolley

MAJOR EVENTS

March Social Night
Bluewater Tackle World
Marlin Cup Presentation
(brief)

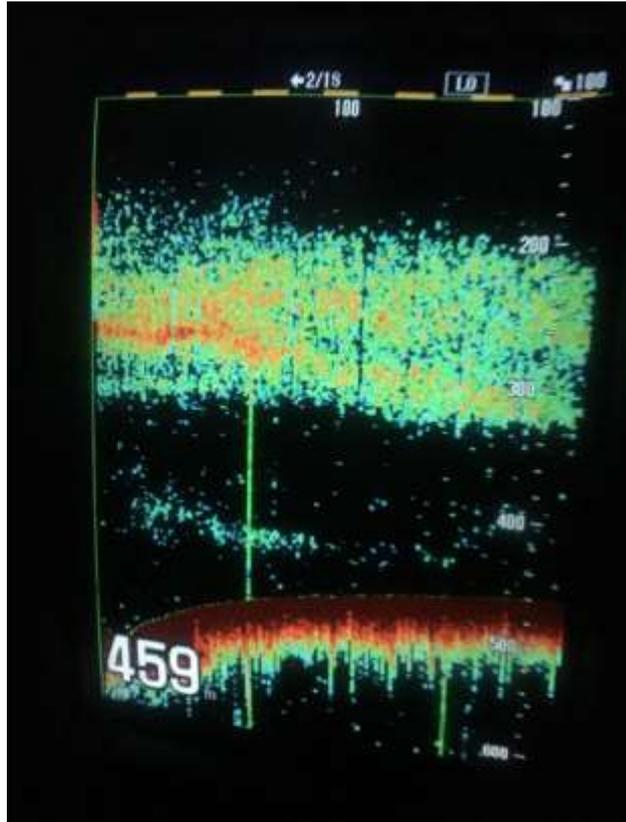
Enerdrive / Challenge
Batteries Presentation
RPYC Annex 5th March
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April Social Night
Mansfield Marine
Caribbean Boats
Presentation
RPYC Annex 2nd April
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Shimano WA Open
Jurien Bay 13th to 15th April.
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Skipper Mark described the scene as “alive” with scores of arrow squid on the surface attacking their baits. With the so-called scattered layer quite apparent on the sounder at 300m, Brett worked fresh squid baits in the top 100m of the water column. The image at right clearly shows the scattered layer of bait and other fish below 200m.



The conditions were rough, as they had been all day, but perseverance paid off. The only other capture during the night was a mako shark.

Although water temperatures were cool and the wind blew incessantly, there was also a hook-up of a big blue marlin west of the PGFC FAD. At around 2 pm on Saturday, the fish came out of nowhere and pounced on a lure behind Adam Durell's One Shot. Fishing shorthanded with only two on deck, it was always going to be a challenge as the fish grey-hounded away stripping most of the line off the reel before the line parted.

The annual event kicked off with the traditional shotgun start. New member's boat Regulator battled it out with the single engined Bottom Line. Weight and power eventually got the better of the two as a much colder and wetter crew of Regulator got ahead of the pack in the race to the Trench.

Weather conditons forecast earlier in the week did not materialise, with a strong south-easterly swinging south-west without missing a beat. This piped in all day and weakened only slightly overnight. The lack of other species, bait or birds conspired to minimise the number of teams getting out on Sunday with many seeking shelter in the beautiful bays at Rottnest.

Suprisingly the FADs were carrying few fish although mahi mahi were observed at the HYC FAD and there were a few smallish yellowtail kingfish and tuna around west end.

Sponsorship of this event makes it possible, our thanks are extended to Bluewater Tackle World, Shimano, On Strike Charters, Mining and Hydraulic Supplies, Hook'em tackle, Halco Tackle and Richter Lures.



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More about the Bluewater Tackle World Marlin Cup

Briefing Night

The briefing night was held at Bluewater's Myaree store with a very good turnout of skippers and crew. The store display was set up to showcase the wide range of game fishing gear they have in stock including lures (Halco and Richter), rods, reels, gaffs, line, terminal gear etc. The new Shimano Tiagra Hyper rods were handed around to guests drawing very favourable comment for their weight and strength. The Bluewater staff were magnificent with their efforts with the BBQ and details.

A Club Competition

According to GFAA and WAGFA requirements, tournaments may be "Open" or "Club". Open tournaments are open to anglers provided they are members of a WAGFA affiliated club. An Open tournament must be sanctioned by WAGFA to ensure among other things that correct fishing rules are followed (GFAA). Fish that are caught and weighed in an Open comp are eligible for state and Australian records.

To retain the same eligibility for records Club competitions must comprise only club members thereby providing some assurance that anglers are fishing by club (again GFAA) rules.

So, in 2019 it was decided to make this competition as simple as possible for anglers (and the committee) to understand the rules and the awards in what was basically a heavy tackle event. Further, it was decided to do away with all the frills such as Rottnest dinners, shirts etc but to retain sponsor bags with products included. This is where Richter Lures and Halco Tackle so generously came into the picture.

After working through this model, it was decided that in the current tough economic climate there should be no entry fees and hence another barrier to entry was removed. We had to recover costs on the Rottnest pens however.

The worst case scenario for those non-members wanting to fish the comp was to sign up for membership which at \$120 was a whole lot less than tournament fees of around \$180 - \$200 plus club membership typically required for a metro comp..

The outcome was excellent for the anglers and for the club, as it welcomed many new members including some that returned after many years.

Where to Next Year

There will be a survey, soon, of skippers and crews to determine what they'd like next year. Sorry, but no promises can be made about the weather. One inclusion that the organisers would like to see is greater camaraderie on the jetty with more boats tying up in a group and fewer on moorings. Unfortunately, the RIA Charges for pens are way out of whack and discouraging.

Presentation Night

There is not the raft of awards in this competition compared with the Shimano WA Open held at Jurien Bay, however the winners of the prizes including the eligibility to fish the Offshore World Championships in Costa Rica deserve the credit and accolades of the other crews, so please turn up.

The other attraction of the presentation / social night is that there is to be a very informative talk by Rob Wright of Enerdrive / Challenge Batteries that should be of interest to anyone who has a low voltage system in their boat (that's all of us).

Closing

Thanks to all who participated, in terms of numbers of members at one event at one time, the Marlin Cup was probably the best in many years. Thanks to the organisers on the committee and special thanks to our wonderful sponsors.

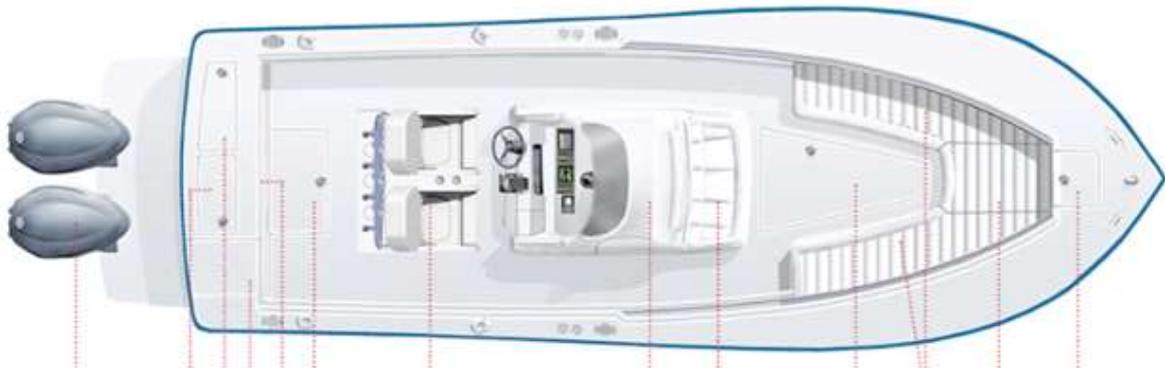
New Club Member's Boat

It's a while since we have had a boat join the club that attracted this much attention. The sleek, new 28 foot centre console powered by twin 300hp Yamahas has been recorded at 51.2 knots (that's under 12 minutes from Fremantle Heads to Thomson Bay).

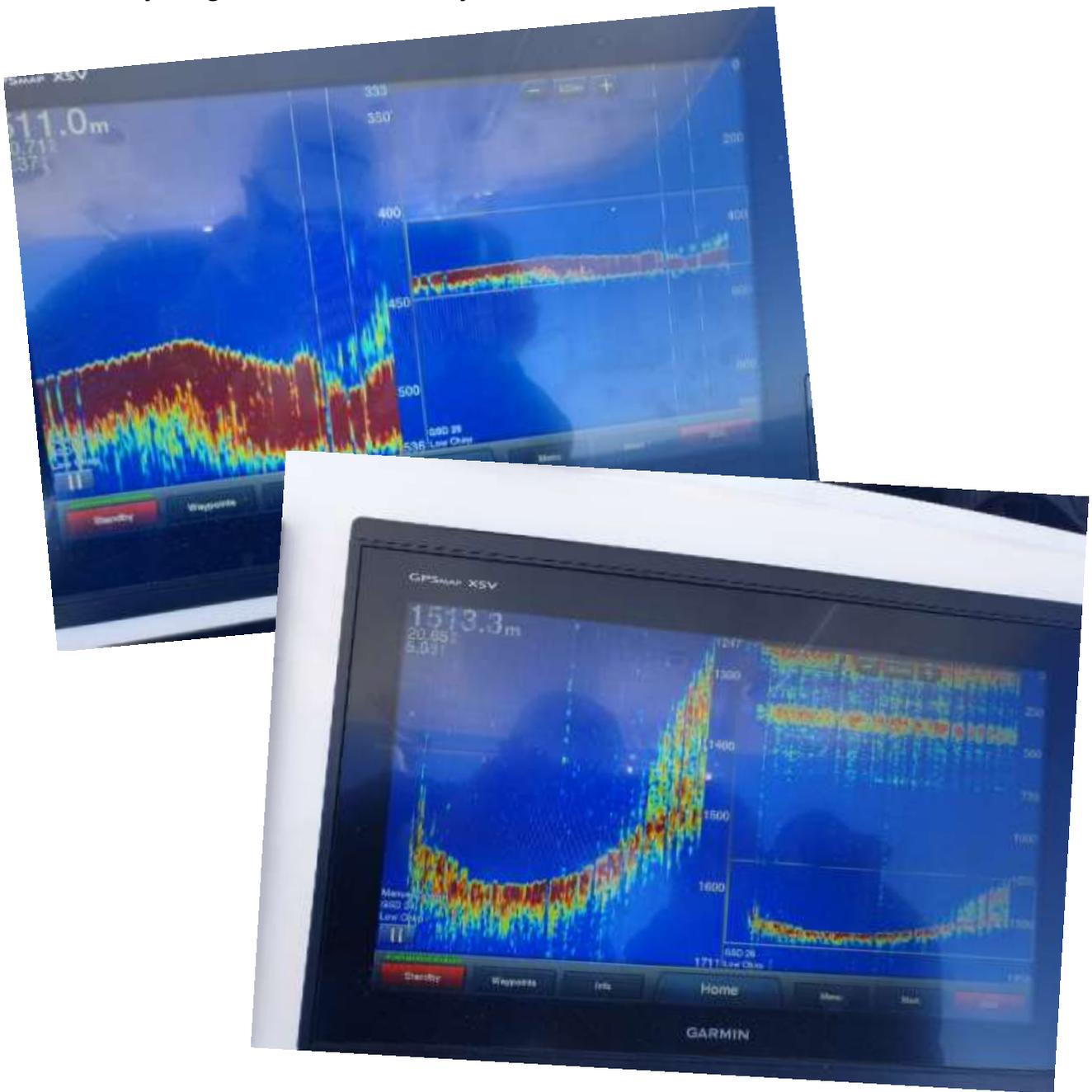
The Regulator 28 is 32 ft long overall, has a 24 ° deadrise with a 55 ° entry and two 300 hp Yamahas mounted on an Armstrong bracket for optimum high-speed performance. The hull is happiest at over 30 knots and the conditions on Saturday were certainly the biggest test for the boat so far, but it performed above expectations; apart from getting wet and using lots of fuel, the other benefit of getting to the FADs first was landing a dolly within a minute of the first lure going in, but it proved to be the only piscatorial interest all day. On the troll at 8 knots the steep deadrise certainly added to the excitement on deck and there were a few envious glances from the Regulator deckies toward the Riviera floating gin palaces as the conditions worsened.



The boat is equipped with two 16 inch Garmin head units, GSD26 3 kW sounder module firing a R509 LH 3 kW CHIRP transducer that is wet face mounted in the keel. Below are a few images from the trench. The sounder was run in full auto operation all day. In pretty rough conditions it held bottom at all speeds and at all depths, with a deepest reading of 1600m recorded in the



middle of the trench. A 100m thick deep scattering layer from 350-450m was very evident in the deeper sections of the trench, but without the comforts of an enclosed cabin and pie warmer, thoughts of a cold beer and hot juicy steak at the Rotto pub were greater than the lure of a swordy at night in a 20-knot southerly.....



January 20th Social Day and Treasure Hunt



Now in its third year and aimed mostly at families with younger kids, this year's event went off with flying colours.

More than 30 members attended including 10 youngsters who put in very creditable scores in the treasure hunt quiz and were rewarded for their effort courtesy of John and Kay Webber, the organisers of the day.

Thanks also to Albina Zawadka who captured the images featured at left. And to Kristin McCarthy of Seaestar Charters for providing Australia Blue as the mothership.



Exmouth Heavy Tackle Comp

From Scott Turrell – Seatrix,

We had a quiet comp with only one tag in but raised four blues and two blacks over a couple of days in some trying weather conditions. We dropped a nice blue on day one after the hooks pulled at the boat when on the leader. We also tagged a sail but sails were not included in the comp. The last day of the event was cancelled due to cyclone and wind warning.



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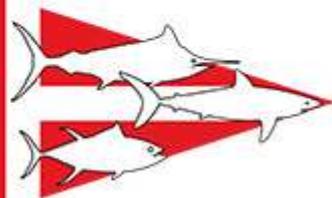


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February 2019



New Small Fry

Another first for the Club in this edition is posting a baby photo. Also a first for Amanda and Ben Weston (Past President) was the arrival of Lola Lisa Weston into the world on Thursday the 31st January at 1105am. Mum and baby are both doing well and can't wipe the smiles off their faces.

Congratulations to Ben and Amanda from all at the Club.

Social Nights

The next three months of social nights promises to be informative with the March 5th featuring a presentation by Enerdrive / Challenge Batteries on the subject of batteries ,chargers, inverters and all things low voltage as they apply to recreational boating. This will be briefly preceded by he awarding of the Marlin Cup and a members record award.

April's social on Tuesday 2nd, will be run by Mansfield Marine's Travis Mansfield who will have on hand a 49ft Caribbean flybridge cruiser as well as a trailer boat.

May's social will be on Saturday 4th and will include the Ladies and Juniors day, With early fishing followed up by a weigh-in and BBQ at the Annex.

June will feature a trip through the Kimberley aboard the Kimberley Pearl. Evocative images and highlights of majestic scenery will be a feature as we learn about the travelling delights in small vessels in this wonderful region.,

Club Championship Scores

PGFC ANNUAL CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP SCORES 2019

EDDY MOSS TROPHY – CHAMPION ANGLER		PRESIDENT’S TROPHY – CHAMPION BOAT	
Brett Martin	1375	Bottom Line	1375
John Holmes	527	Seatrix	1250
Glen Rattigan	157	Southern Blue	683
Dylan Picken	150	Rock’N’Roll	448
Kevin Baker	146	Bush Chook	150
KAY WEBBER TROPHY			
Kristine Koenig	305		
JUNIOR TROPHY			
Lochlan Turrell	1250		
NEIL PATRICK TROPHY			
Jim Ireland	1	Scott Turrell	1

Club Championship points have been updated to 11th February 2019 The season begins on 1st October and ends on 30th September. Members are reminded that whilst all care is taken, members are responsible for ensuring their points are correct. No adjustments, up or down, will be made after the final Club Championship Points have been awarded.

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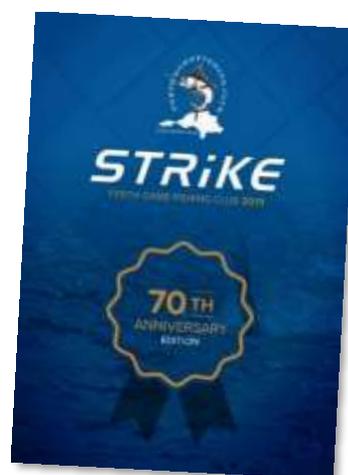
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2019 Calendar

Dates		Activity	Location
March	Tuesday 5th	Social Night and Marlin Cup Presentations Challenge Batteries Presentation	RPYC Fremantle
April	Tuesday 2nd	Social Night - Feature -Mansfield Marine - Presentation on Caribbean Boats	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 th	Social Night - Kimberley Pearl Charters Presentation	TBA
July	Tuesday 2nd	Social Night - FAD Presentation	RPYC Fremantle
August	Tuesday 6th	Social Night - Furuno Presentation	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 th	4s' Competition	Rottneest Island
November	Friday 1st	Annual Presentation Dinner	RPYC Crawley
	Tuesday 12th	Annual General Meeting	RPYC Fremantle

2019 Strike Magazine

The 2019 Strike Magazine has been mailed out to all members. If you have not received yours yet please advise at contact@pgfc.com.au



All Species Competition

Progress Scores to 11th February 2019	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	Peter Babarskas	28cm					
King George whiting	Andrew Newton	51cm			Zandri Oosthuizen	43cm	
Pink snapper	Ashley Hicks	88cm					
Queen snapper	John Holmes	53cm					
Red snapper							
Samsonfish/ Amberjack	Sam Whitehead	108cm					
Sand whiting	Brett Martin	33cm			Rhys Martin	31cm	
Skippy	Ashley Hicks	37					
Tailor	Andrew Newton	74cm					
Yellowtail Kingfish	Dylan Picken	53cm					

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 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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Social Night 5th March

RPYC Annex
Mews Road Fremantle 6 pm
All members and guests welcome
Light refreshments and cash bar

After a brief presentation of the Bluewater Tackle World Marlin Cup, Rob Wright of Enerdrive will talk about low voltage systems and the products that Enerdrive and Challenge offer to the Western Australian marine market.

Topics will include :

- *Inverters*
- *Chargers*
- *Batteries – lithium , glass mat*
- *Monitoring systems*

Enerdrive is an Australian company that manufactures and represents premium products.

Further details: contact@pgfc.com.au

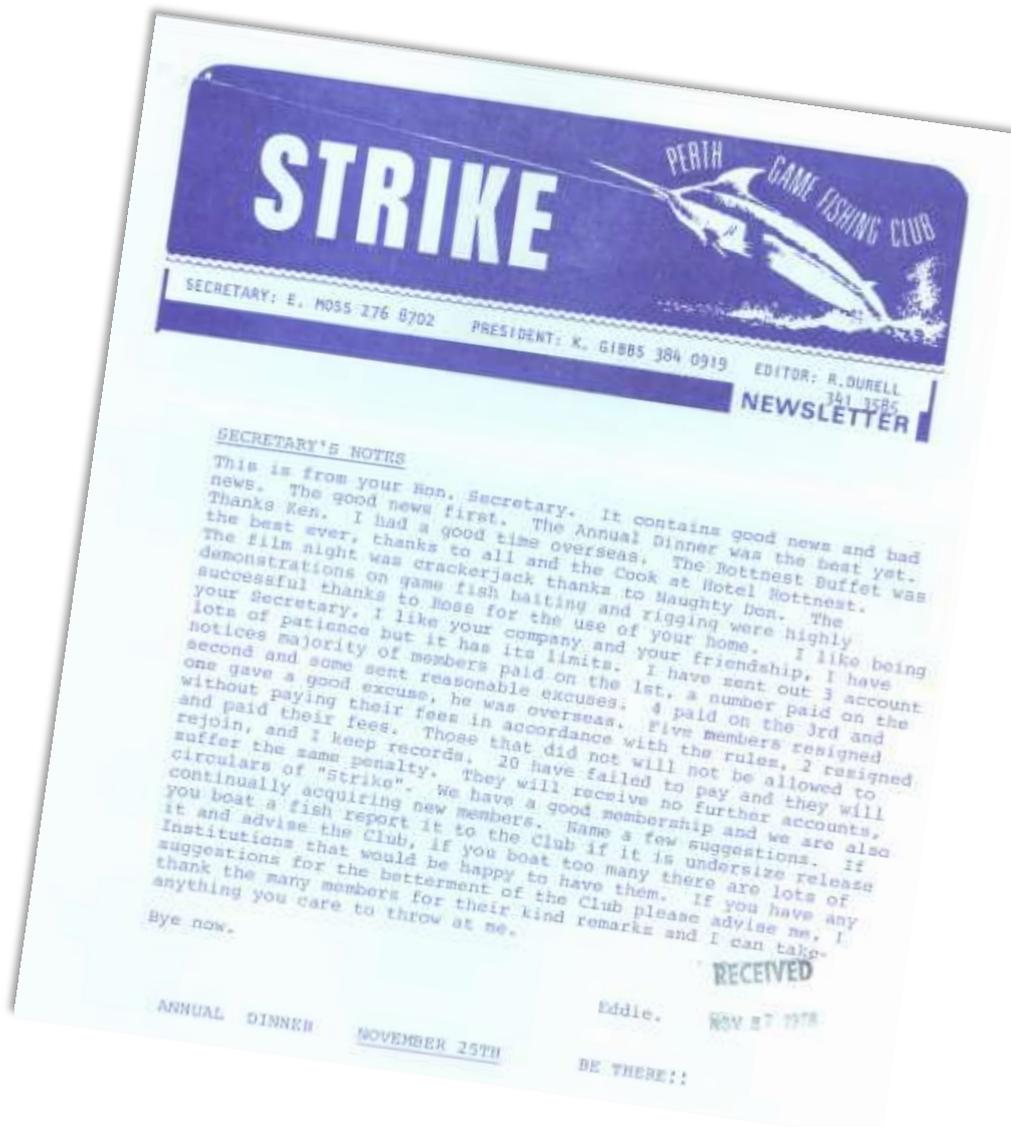


2019 Bluewater Tackle World Marlin Cup



Historical Strike Magazines

Strike magazine was published regularly from 1971-91. Those issues along with the AGM records of the Club were quite fortuitously mailed to the IGFA library in Florida as they mostly have been since. During a personal visit to IGFA Headquarters in August 2012, Past President Johnno Wroth was able to obtain an electronic copy of the entire 20 year volume. During the period 1991 until late 2003 Strike's publication was continued however there are no copies in the club's archives. From 2003 until 2019 Strike has been published in its current format and would seem to have no peers among game fishing club magazines or yearbooks in Australia.



Many good images and good stories are included in the archived magazines recovered from IGFA. These will be shared with Hook-Up readers throughout the coming year and beyond as a reminder of the longevity and character of the Club.

Above is a reproduction of the front page of Strike from November 1978.

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