



Greensborough & District Angling Club



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Presidents Message

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Presidents Report 2007/8

It is difficult to believe, but it has been 11 years since I became President of our Club. It was after a few drinks in the Darwin RSL where Denis Rowlands and Terry Beckwith convinced me to take on a role for which I really had no experience.

I nervously agreed to take on the job, but did so only to help the Club while hoping that I could make a positive difference to the future of the Club. I have tried to follow the objectives of sportsmanship, integrity and general fair play and have always made decisions in the best interests of the Club as a whole and not simply based on individual personal interests.

A Club like ours is not run by one person or even a small group of people. It takes a combined effort from all of us to make the Club a success. I am proud to say that over the past 11 years, one thing has been ever constant. The dedication and commitment of the members of this Club to step up and help when required. Long serving members and new members have all taken turns to work tirelessly to ensure that this Club continues to grow and prosper.

Some of the major achievements and member contributions over the years have been:

1997

- The change to Thursday night meetings to allow those members with growing families to still attend club meetings
- The separation of internal club competitions from inter-club competitions to allow us to fish as a Team against other Clubs

Glen Bussey stepped down as Hall Booking Officer after 6 years in the position

1998

- Planning for the rear extension begins. Ken Leamon prepares the detailed plans
- First Sugerloaf Family Fishing Day. Lots of hard work. Participants loved the days

1999

- The building of the storage boxes at the rear of the rooms
- The rebuilding of the billiard table
- The New South Wales licence days netted the Club \$800 from 3 days. Martin Dawes and Brian Dyson were the mainstays in this revenue raising effort for the Club

- Conway Knight steps down as Social Secretary and accepts position of Vice President

- Second Sugerloaf Family Fishing Day. Huge effort from John Whitfield printing T-shirts

Rob MacGibbon wants to step down as Treasurer after 3 years. No hope

2000

- Martin Dawes steps down as Social Secretary after many years and takes up the position of Club Secretary
- Graham Tomkins becomes Social Secretary
- Denis Rowlands steps down as Hall Booking Officer after 3 years

Hall For Hire

Members are reminded that our hall is available for hire for your social functions, Call Marco on **0438 181 319** for more information.

Nominations
Now
Due !!!!!

PRESENTATION NIGHT

Presentation night is on the 16th August.
Tickets may be purchased from John Whitfield
\$25- for Adults / Head ;

Limit of 80 people

Upcoming Club Trips

- 27 July :Eildon
- 3 August :Surf
- 16 August :PRESENTATION NIGHT
- 30-31 August :Khancoban
- 30 November : BOAT LICENCE DAY

Club News

Nominations Night

Nominations night has been and gone for another year and some new positions have been filled by newer members. Most positions had only one nominee but all positions were eventually filled on the night. To all members who nominated to fill these positions and have done so we thank you.

Nominations were as follows:

President: Tim Plummer

Vice Presidents: Allan Moore, Frank Callapari,

Secretary: Howard Gault

Ass Secretary: Mike Hedt

Treasurer: Rob MacGibbon

Ass Treasurer: Mark Hall

Social Secretary: John Whitfield

Hall Booking Officer: Marco Caviaggon

Committee: Brian Bam, Martin Dawes, Graeme Burdon,

Club Referee: Allan Moore

Library Officer: Mike House

Fines Master: Mark Hall

The Building Committee will be getting together shortly to plan the building works and repairs of the club rooms. Keep your eyes on the notice board for the Jobs list, plans and schedules of works.

Club Gear

* The Club has a number of articles for sale to Club members. These articles are sold at a
* discount to normal retail prices and represent great value. It also identifies you with the club
* and helps support us.

* **Jackets:** \$45- ; **Stubby Holders:** \$6.00; **T-Shirts:** \$25- ; **Boat Stickers:** \$15.00
* **Vests:** \$38- ; **Car Stickers;** Sm \$10; Lg\$15-; **Lens +\$10-** ; **Club Cloth Badges:** \$5.00

- The Club floors are renewed

Building of the rear extension starts in August

2001

- Club manages the Plenty River Family Fishing Day. Council congratulates us on our professionalism

The Club celebrates our 75th anniversary. Brian Dyson spent hours looking through the historical records to produce a commemorative booklet with photos and stories. The celebratory function was attended by over 100 members and guests

2002

- Successful completion of the rear extension with the assistance of Northern Metro TAFE. A tremendous achievement by all members, especially Anthony Rocca, Tim Scale, Bill Fleming, John Battista, Graham Tomkins and those who assisted with the painting

- End of the NSW boat licence days. A huge hit to our finances

- Greg Hayton takes on the Hall Booking Officer role

Tim Plummer steps down from the Committee and accepts role of Web Site manager

2003

- Greensborough successfully wins all the interclub shields in the same year. A tremendous effort

- Start of the mid-week pensioners piscatorial pursuits.

- The development of the GDAC Angling Course with John Whitfield, Alan Moore, John Dafilis, Tom Phillips, Frank Griska, Denis Rowlands and Brian Dyson. Feedback from participants rated the course as excellent

- Rob MacGibbon still looking for someone to take over as treasurer. Still no hope

Our financial position begins to improve and we start adding to our bank balance

2004

- Life memberships awarded to John Whitfield, Glen Bussey and Martin Dawes,

- Glen Bussey and Jim Cussens (joint Social Secretary's) step down for a break

- Start of the great "dry" as many of our popular fishing locations are affected by drought

Martin Dawes Secretary and Brian Dyson Assistant Secretary step down for a break

2005

- Chris Beckwith accepts role of Secretary and Mike Hedt becomes the Assistant Secretary

- Frank Saunders steps down as Social Secretary

- The plans for the new extension are prepared by Ken Leamon

We put in our first submission for funding from Council

2006

- Florian Karwacki takes on the role of Social Secretary

- Greg Hayton steps down as Hall Booking Officer

- Howard (Bluey) Gault takes on the role of Secretary

- We put in our second submission for funding from Council

We are 80 years young

2007

- GDAC wins the Jesson Shield

- The Club rooms undergo a major refurbishment with the assistance of Anthony Rocca, Tim Scale, Tim Plummer and the many Club members who assisted with the painting of the hall

The hall is rented to the Apprenticeship Board. Club finances are increased by over \$7000

2008

- We finally succeed in obtaining funding from Council. This is a tremendous opportunity for the Club

- Keith Bradshaw has been cutting our back yard for over 10 years, at least

The Social Secretary is still hiding the party pies/sausage rolls etc from me

The past 11 years have been very satisfying and rewarding for me and I have enjoyed watching the Club and the members develop over time. There have been times of achievement, celebration, amusement, entertainment and success. There have also been times of loss and bereavement. Throughout all these experiences, I have enjoyed my association with the Club and have made some very good friends along the way.

In closing, I would like to thank all the members who have assisted me during my term. I have greatly appreciated the support of those who have served on Committee and those who have volunteered their time and experience to help with the management of the Club. Your combined achievements over the years speak for themselves.

Tonight, I hand over the reins of the Club to a new, younger President and I am sure the Club is in good hands.

Russell Conway

MAFRI - Fish Fax

More than 830,000 native fish stocked in Victorian lakes and rivers

Recreational anglers will have a greater chance of reeling in a catch after more than 830,000 native fish were stocked into 35 lakes and rivers across Victoria following the completion of the annual native fish stocking program for 2008.

This year's fish release of golden perch, Murray cod and silver perch will ensure recreational anglers continue to enjoy a range of native fishing opportunities across the state. Fish stocking ensures healthy native fisheries are maintained in our lakes and rivers and increases the recreational fishing options across the state.

Recreational fishing provides important tourist dollars for many regional businesses and has flow-on benefits for Regional communities



Illegal fishing activity detected in Port Phillip Bay – 10 to be charged and boats and equipment seized

Fisheries Officers will step up patrols in the northern end of Port Phillip Bay after an increase in illegal fishing activity was detected in the area during May.

Fisheries Victoria Field Services Director, Mick Hodder, said the lower than normal compliance rate detected among fishers in the northern end of Port Phillip Bay during May was extremely disappointing, particularly given the measures taken by some to avoid detection.

Five cases detected in this area during May, involving 10 people, are expected to proceed to court. In each of these cases Fisheries Officers patrolling the area detected a large number of snapper or bream concealed in boats or vehicles. More than 200 fish, three boats, a vehicle and 23 fishing rods have been seized through these five cases. In addition to these cases, Fisheries Officers issued 19 on-the-spot infringement notices to anglers for taking under-size fish or exceeding the bag limit and issued 10 verbal warnings during May in this area.

Uniformed and plain clothed Fisheries Officers will be patrolling the northern end of Port Phillip Bay over coming months to ensure anglers are complying with fish size and bag limits. Those taking excessive fish jeopardise the sustainability of our recreational fisheries. Daily recreational catch limits are in place to ensure our fisheries resources are shared, and are available now and in the future.

Members of the public are encouraged to continue reporting suspected illegal fishing activities to 13 FISH (13 3474), which operates 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

Fishy Fact – Redfin

English perch, which are more commonly known as redfin, are found in freshwater streams and impoundments throughout Victoria. An aggressive predator they are a popular catch amongst many freshwater anglers due to their excellent eating qualities.

Redfin generally prefer slow moving or still water bodies and tend to aggregate around underwater structures such as snags or rocky outcrops.

Redfin are easily recognised by their bright red pelvic, anal and caudal fins. They are generally an olive green colour and have distinctive black stripes down their bodies. Spawning occurs late in winter and through spring when large numbers of fish congregate, following an increase in water temperature. Females lay thousands of eggs in long ribbons that wrap around underwater vegetation to protect them from predators.

Redfin were introduced to Victoria from Europe in the 1860's when fish were released into Lake Wendouree, Ballarat. Since then the species has spread throughout Victoria where fishers regularly target them.

Did you know? In Victoria, of all the freshwater fish harvested or caught and kept, redfin are the most popular by a factor of almost 3!

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123 Church St Hawthorn (Michelle Saunders) Ph 9819-55515

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4 Main Rd Lower Plenty Ph 9435-1722



Greensborough & District Angling Club Inc.

P.O. Box 7, Greensborough 3088

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

YEAR 200 / 200

Applicant Details

Name: _____ Application Date: ____ / ____ / ____

Address: _____

Post Code: _____

Birth Date: ____ / ____ / ____

Phone No: (Home) _____ (Business) _____

(Mobile) _____ (Fax) _____

(Email) _____

Occupation: _____

Previous/Other Club Memberships: _____

Membership Type:	SENIOR	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$55	
	ASSOCIATE	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$25	
	PENSIONER	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$25	
	JUNIOR (Under 16 years)	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$25	Date Of Birth / /
	FAMILY	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$60	

For FAMILY membership, please list names and birth dates of all children.

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Boat Details

Make: _____ Model: _____

Reg No.: _____ Name: _____

Call Sign: _____ Length: ____ m Colour: _____

Affiliation Fees

ANSA: \$16

NFA: \$10

Payment Details

TOTAL FEE(S): \$ _____ Membership Fee + Affiliation Fees(s)

RECEIPT No: _____