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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

The fishing season is almost at the end, the Point score we will keep a secret for the last month. It is fairly hot contested so if you think you're up there get out there and catch some fish Our tournament is coming up fast and is only a week away all hands on deck would be appreciated.

As you're probably all aware our meeting will be Tuesday night the 10th there will be a lot to organise at this meeting and some delegating to do so if you can make it Tuesday night would be great. I don't get to church nearly often enough but if someone is going you might have a chat to the weather gods for next weekend for us Stay safe and see you at the meeting or the tournament.

Greg Campbell
President
May 16



SECRETARY'S REPORT

Hello All

Thank you to all who have been helping out with the organising of our YFT. Don't forget our sponsors, without them our tournament would not be as successful.

Here are some of our sponsors in Bermagui:

Bermi Bait and Tackle, Woolworths, Bermi Beachside Takeaway, Bermagui Hotel, Markets at Lamont, Village Store, Surf Shop, Bermagui Motor Inn, Neilsons Hardware, Sundek Café, Mister Jones, Shell, Terrance Restaurant, Harbourview Motel, Slipway, 777, Saltwater Café.

If you are in any of these places, say thanks to them from the club and of course support them as they have supported us.

We have two weeks to go before our YellowFin Tournament is here. This year we have moved from the tent to the Bermagui Country Club. We will need some helpers for the set-up, BBQs on Friday and Saturday nights, Raffles and whatever else has to be done.

For those who are coming down on Friday the 13th, we are getting together to set up at the Bermagui Country Club at 12pm — many helpers will make for light work.

Upcoming Tournaments are:

- Canberra YellowFin Tournament on the 14th, 15th and 16th of May 2016.

Don't forget that we have great jumpers at our tournament so make sure you put your orders in with your entry forms early so you don't miss out.

If you want a club t-shirt, let me know so I can bring them to the next meeting. They will be going up for sale at our tournament, so get in before they are gone.

Our next meeting is on Tuesday the 10th of May at the Hellenic Club Woden, hope to see you all there with many a tale to tell.

Mario Imbriano
Secretary Canberra GFC
May 2016

EDITOR'S REPORT

It's that time of year the yellowfin tournament is only a few days away. There was a few yellowfin caught over the weekend both out of Bermagui and further south in the Merimbula Tournament so hopefully we can all find a few during the tournament.

There is still the odd marlin around with a good bite happening out of JB last weekend with Escape tagging 3 from 4 and a bronze whaler. I believe there was another bite there again on Saturday so it may pay not to pack the marlin gear away just yet.

New club member Peter Orton is looking to gain some experience on the water. If anyone is looking for crew please contact him on 0419694738.

Good luck in the tournament hope to see you there!

If you have any photos or stories you would like in the tale rope or the facebook page please send them through to james.kemp@pkis.com.au



DATES TO REMEMBER

10th May
14-16 May

CGFC General Meeting
Canberra Yellowfin Tournament

Jervis bay Marlin

With some good reports coming out of Jervis bay Matt Harman and my self made a last minute decision to head to JB and try our luck. The weather forecast had been jumping around abit so when Aaron on Escape rang to say he was going up as well it made sense to all jump on one boat. We met Aaron and Luke at Batemans bay and after a few trailer issues we arrived at the Woolamia boat ramp at 2am and jumped in the swags for a few hours sleep before hitting the water.



We were all up and on the water by 6am and after a cooking some bacon and egg rolls on the stove as we crossed the bay it was time to get stuck into some action. On arrival at the kink the sounder came alive with bait so we loaded up and set the skip baits and teasers out. It didn't take long before a nice stripped marlin ripped one of the skip baits from the rigger clip and Matts hooked up. After a short fight we had the tag in and we are on the look out for another one.



By this stage there was other boats arriving on the grounds and were also hooked up. As we trolled back up north we watched a boat tag a marlin and steam back up 500m north of us and hook up again within a matter of minutes. We all looked at each other with disbelief before another boat did the exact same thing. Luke and Matt quickly rigged 2 live baits and we

pulled up and let them out. Two minutes later one of the rods screams off and we are onto number 2, Luke was on this rod this time and 30 mins later we get a tag in.

We head back up to where we started and put the live baits back out and one of them screams off almost instantly. Matt picks up the rod and goes up on the drag but instead of the fish coming up to the surface it heads straight down under the boat and stays down. 45 minutes later we have a very stubborn Bronze whaler next to the boat. We tag him and it screams off and takes another 30 mins to get back up to the boat.



Back up to the bait again to repeat the process. This time a boat comes trolling past us and hooks up right along side of us they start screaming out to let us know they are hooked up and as we go to wind in the gear to give them some space one of our rods scream off as well. Luke goes up on the drag and a very lively stripped marlin comes flying out of the water. This is going to be interesting 2 boats hooked up no more then 30 meters apart and both fish jumping around even closer.



With some impressive driving from Aaron we managed to steer our fish away from them but this marlin was mad. Every time we got it close to the boat it would either dart under the boat then back out at speeds I never seen before or go under the boat and jump out the other side making Luke and Aarons job very hard for them. At some point the line must have rubbed the boat and the line gave way with the fish not far from the boat.

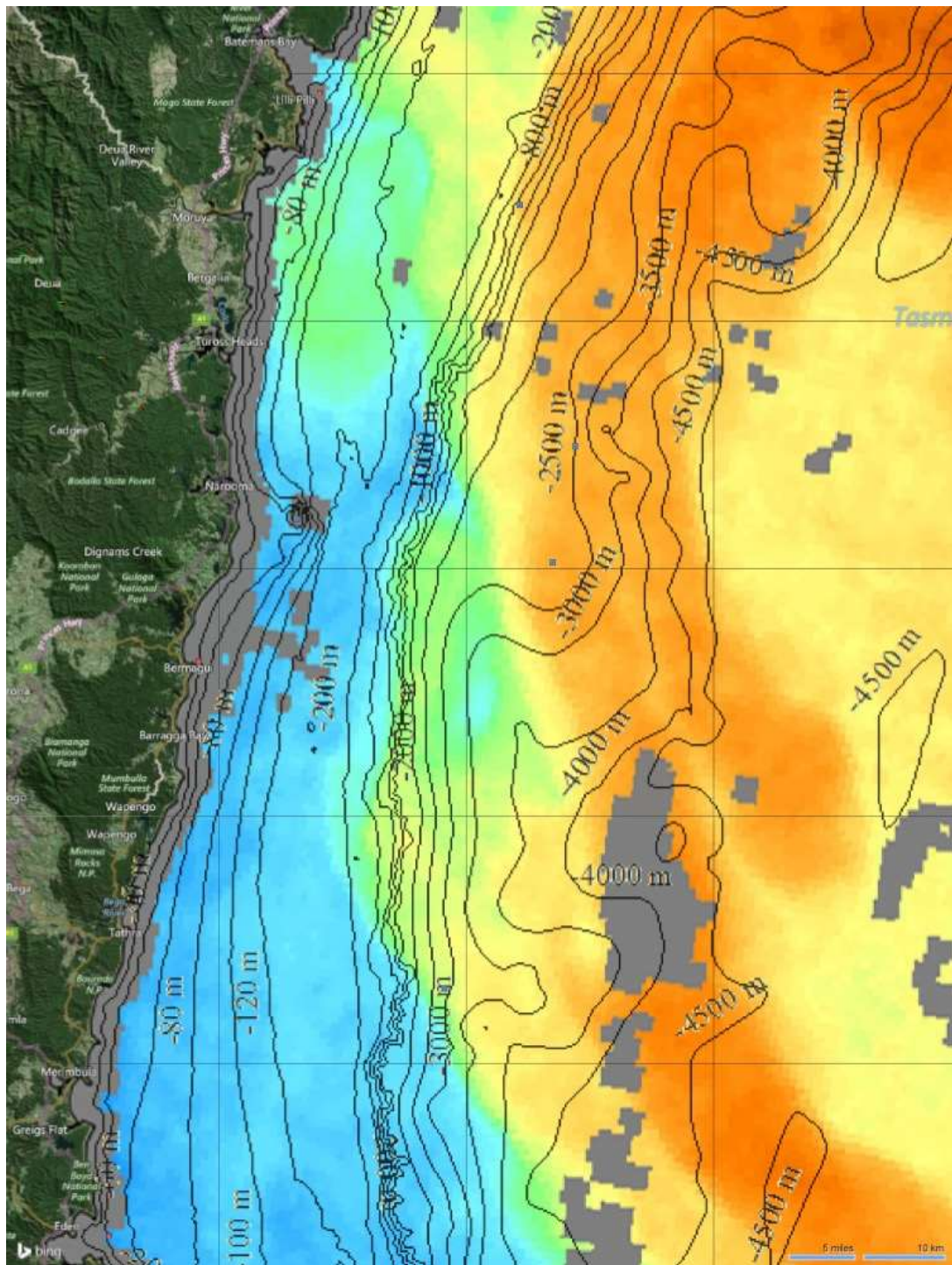
Back to the same spot and repeat the process again. This time things are abit slower and it took us a while to get a bite but it eventually happens with Matt tagging another nice stripped marlin. Finally tally for the day was 4.4.3 on striped marlin and a bronze whaler.



We headed out a 6am the next day hoping to find them again however the conditions made things tough. The bait was still there and so was the fish as we could mark them on the sounder but they just didn't want to play the game. On the way back and inside the bay we got hit with a big westerly and even travelling at 10 knots we couldn't see a thing through the windscreen. It was a good reminder just how quick things can change out there and how rough it can get even inside the heads.



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CANBERRA GAME FISHING CLUB EVENTS CALENDAR 2015-2016

Batemans Bay Yellowfin Tournament	June 6-7
Queen's birthday long weekend	June 6-7
CGFC General Meeting	June 8
Zone weekend	June 13-14
Merimbula 21 st Broadbill & 1 st SBT Tourn 1st leg	June 12-14
Zone weekend	June 27-28
Merimbula 21 st Broadbill & 1 st SBT Tourn 2 nd leg	June 19-21
Southern Zone AGM & Trophy Presentation	July 5
Zone weekend.	July 11-12
CGFC General Meeting	July 14
Zone weekend	July 25-26
Zone weekend	August 8-9
CGFC – AGM and Presentation	August 15
Zone weekend	August 22-23
CGFC General Meeting	September 8
Zone weekend	September 12-13
Zone weekend	September 26-27
Zone weekend	October 10-11
CGFC General Meeting	October 13
Zone weekend	October 24-25
Shoalhaven Light Tackle Tournament	November
Zone weekend	November 7-8
CGFC General Meeting	November 10
Zone weekend	November 21-22
Jervis Bay White Sands Tournament *	November 27-29
CGFC General Meeting and Christmas Drinks	December 8
Zone weekend	December 12-13
Zone weekend	December 26-27
Zone weekend	January 9-10
Batemans Bay Tollgate Island Classic *	January 15-17
Zone weekend	January 23-24
Bermagui Blue Water Classic *	January 23-25
Jess Sams Ulladulla Open *	February 5-7
CGFC General Meeting	February 9
Zone weekend	February 13-14
Shellharbour Tournament *	February 13-14
Zone weekend	February 27-28
NSWGFA Interclub	February 27-28 +-March 5-6
CGFC General Meeting	March 8
Alliance T/R Tournament, Bermagui	March 12-13
Southern Zone Interclub *	March 12-13
Zone weekend	March 12-13
Shoalhaven Open Tournament *	March 18-20
Eden Open Tournament *	March 18-20
Zone weekend (Easter)	March 26-28
Kiama Blowhole Big Fish Classic *	April 2-3
Zone weekend	April 9-10
CGFC General Meeting	April 12
Zone weekend (Anzac Day)	April 23-25
Merimbula Open *	May 6-8
CGFC General Meeting	May 10
Zone weekend	May 14-15
Canberra Yellowfin Tournament *	May 14-16
Zone weekend	May 28-29
CGFC General Meeting	June 14
Merimbula Broadbill & SBT Tournamnet 1st leg	July 15-17
Merimbula Broadbill & SBT Tournament 2 nd leg	July 22-24

_NB : Zone weekends are the second and forth full weekend of every month.

Fish tagged or captured at the NSW Interclub will be counted in Southern Zone monthly Cock O'the Walk competition. All gazetted NSW Public Holiday long weekends are also included

* Denotes nominated tournaments eligible for Zone points and the Columbus and George Bass Trophies.



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