

# Fish an tips

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WITH VINEGAR & TWO PICKLED ONIONS

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**Why is it that TROUT  
An imported noxious fish is protected by a Closed season.  
Could it have something to do with the Money  
The Government makes out of it!**

## What's been going on to Date!

First of all a word of praise for our club's Secretary Steve Scott, he has really been putting himself out on behalf of your club with the Rowing Course and Fisheries Fracas. The amount of his limited spare time that he has devoted to this task, is a credit to him. We still have not resolved the matters, but believe that his persistence in the matter will help our cause very much. It has now got to the point that we are having a meeting with the Minister for Fisheries.  
The right Hon Mr. Eddy Obied. at the end of October.

The other good news is that, we was asked again, by Holroyd Council to participate in the Annual Canivale Festival held in Merrylands Centennial Park on the 14 October 2001

This gives us great exposure for our type of angling and the opportunity to educate the public in our ways and the ideals of Catch and release Coarse Fishing. To show them that we respect all types of fish and treat them with care. Not just catch and kill everything that swims for the sake of a feed or for the fun of it. A further report is in the Mag.

### **AIN'T IT THE TRUTH! BELIEVE IT OR NOT!**

1. A slimmer Howard down to Fluro's size.
2. A new pole for J Davies 16 m only out the bag once to show off. Good size for throwing in the Pound
3. Ronnie in a new shirt and shorts at a Match.
4. Simon soon Dad to be, got his tackle out last Xmas and used it, this time. Wedding Tackle that is!
5. Norm got upset and threw his rod and reel in the Parramatta River. Twice
6. Pairs Match could it catch on, stops the shouting on the bank, sharing sandwiches, one can make tea the other fishes.
7. Has Stuart moved to New Zealand Yet, if not why not!
8. The BROWN crumb is not called Danny.
9. John Davis fishes under the alias of Mr. Bubbles.
10. Bill has lots of tackle but doesn't catch lots of fish, must be reading the wrong books, has to get tips from Howard!
11. Brad's new profession is a Taxi driver for fishing Matches.
12. Ralph and John D will have to get new headwear {out with the Arophat's} or take up flying lessons.
13. This years Club dinner is at the Center Point Tower, catch a 757 straight to the Table.

## *Willy's Tackle Supplies*

I have all sorts of items for sale at the old prices .

Now that the Aus \$ is 3 to the Pound , Willy's tackle is cheaper than you can get it from the UK.

I can get brown crumb it is \$1.50 per kilo bag. If you want some give me a ring and I will bring it along to the next Match  
0298208686

I will be getting in some cheap 4.5mt and 5 to 6mt match rods, cork handles and off set eye's they will be a good price, place your orders now as numbers are limited.

Plenty of good line available .165 @ 3.5kl .18 @ 4.5kl Colmic Fender brand UV resistant.  
\$14 per 150ms reel \$16 per 200mt reels.  
Good Value.  
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## Club Matches Scalesmen

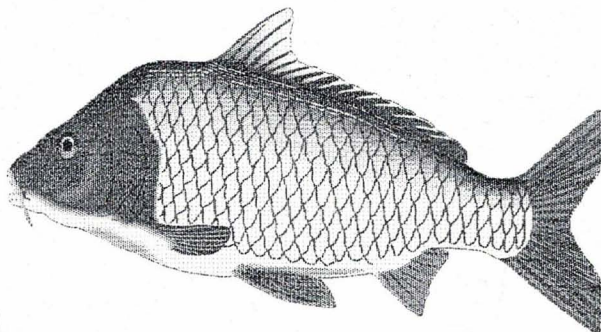
As we now have two sets of scales for weighing in at Club Matches. The following guidelines will apply:  
The two end pegs of the match stretch or stretches will take to their pegs a set of scales a, weigh sling and the peg numbers/ weight clipboard. At the end of the Match, those scales-men, will be weighed in by the adjacent Angler, who will then take the scales to his peg, where the next adjacent angler will then weigh him in. This will carry on until the scales-men meet or the whole of the split stretch has been weighed in.

The last man weighed in will return the scales to the Match Secretary John Moses, along with the Net and Results board.

This will relieve the Match Secretary and anglers of the long wait.

We can all pack up earlier, and get home to the good old Roast and two veg, or socialize for a while.

So lets all pull our weight {no pun intended} and help out.



Best regards Bill

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## *EXTRACT FROM THE DEAD POUND SCROLLS 2001 BC\**

And verily Yea, it came to pass that on the first day the pairs match was created. Praise the lord, Halloed be my Name.

That the start of the newly formatted pairs match was to take commence.

Moses was teamed with Judas {J.Davis} and that I {the true illegitimate son of God} was verily paired with Goliath {H.Hill} But with the late coming of two of the Prodigal Sons. Yea! behold Marcus Deanus and Gemil the gerbil whom had returned from their long pilgrimage from afar. {The back of Baulkam Hills}

I had to take Marcus as my disciple to have and behold and to teach him the finer art of angling {it took me 30 Seconds} to impart my total knowledge.

All the Gladiators were paired and into battle they rode and pushed or pulled their kit. To the site of the fight, and "Sod Off" with all the, "We who are about to die" crap.

The Italians would not be parted and GT was to teach Fluro how not to catch fish. Italian's have always done most things in Reverse.

Danyo was paired with Budgie {all chirrup and shit} Simon . Danny just wanted to use Simons new unused equipment. {Never before, caught a Fish equipment} Unpack it, put it together, take it apart, and repack it, all in the record time of 8 hours, So Dan the Man kept sending messages back to base or anywhere he could with Simon as a runner. To date Simon's tackle is still a match virgin.

HH was with the new Fellow Gemil and he wore his ears off with readings straight from " Match Fishing " and Statements of "That's the Way to Do it!" Sounded too much like a Punch and Judy show. Who caught the fish is still a mystery, was it Gem or Hill. It may never be revealed. Maybe a letter in the Coarse Angler magazine next year from "How it was dun Hill" will tell the truth.

Steve was teaching his lad Mathew, they caught the heaviest weight "Ain't nothing but a Pound Dog". {old Elvis Song} Mathew did not touch the rod. Shouts of "Leave it! Don't touch that! Why are you putting that there!" was all we could hear. One large Fish which took the bait while they were untangling wind knots in the line, Steve you know that you don't have to copy Norm! Your normal style works!!

Father Moses was telling John Davis the way and where to fish and they ended up catching and losing them in an entirely different spot. Even dividing the water at the pound did not work {he saved that for the club match sic} But a very GOOD Bass Jude.

Most of the Pairs ended the Battle with only one fish between them

Mark and myself won the match with an eel of 1.66kg. It was the first bite of the day we lost a stonking carp but did just scrape through.

The concept of the pairs seem to be on the right lines, at least you can have a dump in peace and a picnic with your friends. But time will tell "Onward Onward " to the second pairs match go the gallant 12 coarse anglers.

\*BC Bill Childs

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Mt Panang at Gosford somewhere on the Central Coast could be a great venue as the years go on. Not too far from Sydney and the top end of the Central Coast. At the moment it has just one lake, but they are going to build another one. I have known about this venue for quite a few years now and kept asking if I could fish in the lake. *{Better then fishing on the Freeway! ed}*

I was told about these big Murray Cod, oversized Carp, goldfish plus a few Bass.

Anyway after calling in for a few years I got Normal to have a talk to them about Fishing *{Mr Crabtree goes Fishing. Ed}* After a few months I was reading our local paper, which said that you could now fish the venue as long as you wore a life support vest of some kind and return all the fish to the water.

**TO BOOK A FREE DAYS FISHING RING 02-4340-1002 48 HOURS BEFORE HAND.**

### A DAYS FISHING

Norm, Tom, Mick *{friends}* hit the venue early Monday morning, not been there long and Mick hit the first Murray Cod on double corn, weight about 5lb *{Bloody heavy corn ed}* Tom and myself had nothing, Normal was getting these little bite's quite regularly but kept missing them until about 10.30/ 11.00 then he got a cod of about 5" long. Tom and I where still wondering where the fish had gone, no cod, no Carp.

Anyway I decided to come off the bottom by about 12" *{I was on the Pole}* all of a sudden the float went under. After catching 5 and losing at least 6, broke off twice using Fireline, Norm caught one of 15lbs plus. Mick and Tom had a few more *{11 cod}* no carp, we lost 8 or 9 fish.

The following week we did not catch as many *{only 6}* but we lost 2 or 3 times as many as the previous week, before I had a couple of fish, one of 8.5 kl and we could only catch them on the bottom *{good anglers catch them in the Mouth Ed}*

The Baits used were double corn, corn and worm, bread and corn, bread and maggot, using both feeder and float rods plus the pole.

Enjoy, **Brad.**

*Thanks for the article Ed.*

### BEWARE OF TACKLE THIEVES

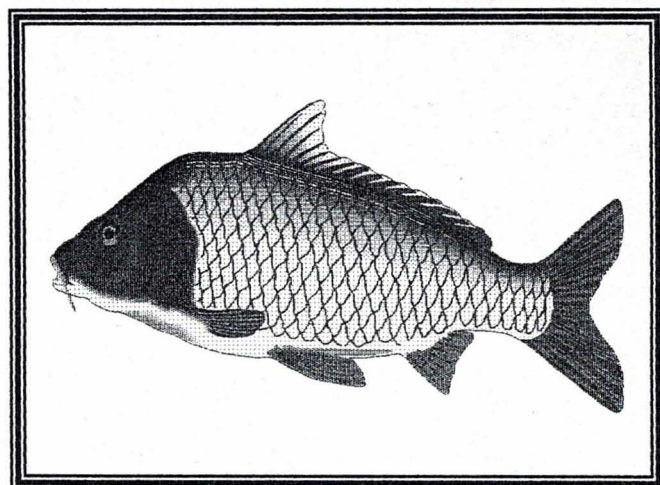
As we all now know John Davis had all of his tackle stolen in June. Since that date none of it has appeared on the open Market ie Cash converters, Pawn Shops or the web. I have popped into most of these types of stores around the western suburbs on my travels. The police don't seem to bother with this sort of crime.

They seem more interested in speeding fines out in the West.

If we all try to keep an eye out for any sort of this type of tackle being sold cheaply we may help recover some of it.

Some one is either using it for pleasure fishing, which means that they knew what they where after or just took it for the sake of getting some drug money.

But all of us should be careful how and where we keep our Gear!



### Villain or Victim

*Who knows! it doesn't seem to be solved by all the educated fools, rambling on about the carp eating away at Australia and whoofing down the natives. Still a few less on the Dole queue!!!*

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### *Mt Panang.*

After our last so called Match at Parramatta Park, the winner with his first ever match win since joining the club, and then not fishing for ages was Colin Draper, With this win under his belt and smiling all the way back to Newcastle after the Match. He called me the next Day saying can I go fishing with him and Mr T next weekend at the Hunter River. Well Mark cancelled as he wanted some concreting done { I mean Foremaning}, as all he did was just watching them pour it. Anyway Colin changed his mind and asked if we could go and fish Mt Panang instead.

With a little persuasion I relented and said that I would go. Arriving at 9am, Colin arrived late after missing the turn off and ended back at the Brooklyn Bridge almost, anyway we toddled down the hill and found the shed pump running at full bore {it beat the 4 minute mile time} plus a tanker draining the Lake and wondering how it would fish today

I was first there, and Colin not knowing where to fish {try the Lake Colin}. I drew peg No 1 next to the pump house, I suppose you have guessed it. I fished like an old woman {Not a pretty sight I imagine, ed} and today I blanked again. As for Colin he landed 2 Murray Cod with his best at 11.8lbs which will qualify as a specimen this season.

### *Mt Panang Report Howard Hill 25/7/2001*

Wednesday 25/07/2001 arrived Mt Panang 8.00hrs with Steve, Brad, Danny, Norm, Tom and Mick {or should we say Hugh , Drew, Barney McGrew, Cuthbert, Dibble and Grunt} waiting at front gate for us. Danny had to go to the servo for his morning fix of caffeine before we could go fishing.

On parking at the venue the excitement of just catching a fish was too much for Steve and his nerves as he had to find a bog house ASAP {Lucky I carry toilet paper for him, Ron and myself 24 rolls}

Norm on float and bomb, Brad on Pole, Steve on float and feeder myself on float and bomb with braid, Danny on grass.

Tom and Mick, who knows, except all I could hear all day was these bells ringing in my ears {You know the ones that look like two balls that hang from your rod top as used by aliens. {cant spell Australians ed} Today was the first day of a rain depression for Sydney, at Mt Panang which is on top of a mountain had its coldest day ever, with heavy cloud, fog until 1pm, mixed with constant freezing wind all Day {Howard and wind seem to go together Ed} Steve's bells got frozen and he now speaks with a higher pitch, I got lucky as I had my Whitman's Balloon Suit with me, as for Danny he was last seen looking for someone who did brazing.

Well you guessed it, Tom and Mick caught 7 between them, Normal had 3, Brad Blanked, Danny blanked, Steve and myself had 3 each.

Tom's best was 10lbs plus, Steve's was 8lb with my best at 6.5lbs.

Mt Panang is a Correctional facility for the young, actually it is a working Farm. Take the Gosford off ramp and turn left at the first set of lights, which is the main entrance to the property, Once you get to the office round and the lake is on your left, you should see It cause its full of water

#### **Howard Hill**

*Thanks for your imput H. I believe that the ringing in your ears was from watching and reacting to too many Fishwick Video's Bill*

**Remember, Caught at Mt Panang with no life-vest and we will receive a lifetime sentence of NO fishing. Be warned!!**

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## **2<sup>ND</sup> PAIRS MATCH**

### **HAWKESBURY RACE TRACK**

The day began at 4.01am when the alarm stirred me from my sleep, awoken to the sound of that song on the alarm radio "Take me to the river put me in the water" was this a good omen for the coming day's fishing. I thought so.

The car was packed up, all I had to do was make the flasks up and drive to the Hawkesbury Service Station to meet my pairs Partner "el GT". We had worked out a plan between us, which was "Try to catch a fish." We were hoping that it would work on the day.

The morning was misty and spooky, as we waited around the lake's edge for the late comers.

John Davis frightened the life out of us by appearing from out of the mist EARLY!

Jon [Moisha] Moses disappeared around to the other side of the lake to peg out the stretch we were going to fish.

We then set off in convey to the other side, of the lake that is, not the spirit world.

At the draw Mathew drew out the fancied swim, just like his dad always does, I would have called him Golden Bollocks. But at his age they haven't dropped yet!!

Two people disappointed their partners by not turning up for the match, we knew that Mark Deans was in the UK so we gave him dispensation. The other two I am upset that they let their partners down.

Danny on peg 1, Steve and son on 2, Oswald Mosely 3, HH 4, John and John on 5, myself and Gelato Falacio Peg 6

Off we go for the all in at 8.15am. Steve has a fish 1<sup>st</sup> cast so did Danny, then Jon M caught one, down the line the fishes came to the net until it got to the Johns and time stood still for them and us.

GT was on the pole close to a good bed of lilies, but chose to fish straight out, "Incase the fish she swim into the weeds" was his answer. On the change over, we fish for an hour or first fish before changing over.

20 too 11, came my first bite on the bolo/waggler, maggot and worm cocktail, size 14 hook and 6lb line straight through, I was in to a good sized carp, landed weight 5.58 KL, it took a while to get the moma mia in. We had broken our duck. Then while I was playing the fish the John's struck in to one, we were all catching fish at what we thought was at a steady pace and at the end of the match GT and I weighed in nearly 20 kls. Good weight we thought. We came bleeden last!!

Danny weighed in with 52/53 kls of carp all by himself.

Every other peg had good weights. And from 6 pegs we weighed in over 30 kls per peg. A good days fishing was had by all.

This venue has the potential of being a mini Canberra or Maitland.

We who fished are looking forward to the next club match in December.

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## APOLOGY CARD

Mr. ....

Regrets exceedingly his deplorable  
behaviour while at your function

On .....

And humbly craves your pardon in breach  
of etiquette checked on the opposite side  
.....

## List of Etiquette breached

Spilling drinks.  
Hitting hostess with bottle.  
Picking nose at table.  
Inspecting hosiery.  
Belching.  
Passing Out  
Frequent absence from party  
Gut rumbling.  
Unfastening hostess's garter.  
Pissing in sink  
Leaving fly undone  
Hunting female navels.  
Biting Hostess's Tits  
Farting out loud.  
Scratching nuts with bbq tongs

## Club Matches Remaining

4th November Parramatta Park.

17th and 18th November Canberra Classic  
Book your accommodation. See Howard

9th December Hawkesbury Racetrack

3rd February Parramatta Park / Pound

3rd March Hawkesbury Race Track

6th and 7th April Maitland

5th May Parramatta Park / Pound

2nd June Parramatta Park / HRT

## Pairs Matches

17th February Norwest Business Park

21st April Parramatta Park/Top Weir

16th June Norwest Business Park/HRT

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*Trans- Tasman New Zealand*

*January 2002*

Stuart Deans has taken it upon himself to organize the accommodation and flights for those that are going to NZ in the New Year. Good on you Stew. All those interested in Fishing the Trans- Tasman, get in touch with him.

Remember you need to belong to the Federation so get enrolled now!!!

## *feed Back and News*

Welcome to the new look magazine we are trying to put together a magazine that is informative and interesting reading but we also need every ones input of assistance.

So from now can each match report, be written by the winner of the match. Then sent e-mail or fax to Committee Member, if we all do our bit we can have a magazine that is not relied on one person.

So we need your assistance in this or we are back to result sheets only. It doesn't take long to tell us how you won the match, and your can gloat all you like.

Bill Childs

*Editor*

## *hot off the Press*

Just in from Canberra, the good news that fisheries have accepted our rules and guidelines of coarse fishing to be added to the Fisheries Act for 2002.

This means that we will be allowed to fish as normal, as many rods made up as required with only one in the water at any time, the others can have hooks on them but not baited, the use of keep-nets for the retaining of fish for the duration of the match and we must return all the fish to the water with minimum harm.

All Native fish ie Murray Cod and Yellowbelly are to be returned straight back to the water, no weighing or retaining in the keep-nets.

All this allows Match fishing as we as Coarse Anglers are used to, to be incorporated in the new Fisheries Act, so that The Canberra Classic and any future Trans-Tasman Competitions will not be affected.

Also fisheries will be using Coarse angling Match rules in the act and the biggest bonus will be the Words Coarse Angling Mentioned in the New Act.

The committee have offered our assistance in any way with the new Fisheries rules.

So lets have a big round of applause and

A Big thank you to Dave Arnold for all his work with ACT fisheries,

*Well Done David. Thanks from all of Australia's Coarse anglers.*



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# YES! I CAN WALK ON WATER

by John Moses

Match report The Pound 2/9/01 The Epic Version

The day it all went according to plan!

Arriving first at the pound I was relieved to find no drug fuelled nutters parked in the car park but then Bill turned up, high on tea, so I locked my doors and thought about driving off. Fortunately Steve and Ron followed shortly after, so I started to relax and think about the pegging out.

5 pegs were placed on the DJs side of the bridge with the rest spreading most of the way up to the weir. Some lucky bastards other than me drew the money pegs. The pairs match a couple of weeks earlier had been fairly hard with not a great deal caught between the bridges. So when I drew the DJs end I was a bit puzzled as I had not fished there for ages and I was not really sure how to approach the session (I know how to talk the talk you know, too many hours reading Match Fishing). In the end I decided that I would concentrate maggots on the pole line and corn over towards the far side in a gap between 2 weed beds, but go fairly easy with the ground bait. Plenty of maggots in the ground bait but only a few grains of corn. I sounded the all in and went with a corn/maggot cocktail on the pole at 11.5 metres as the wind was forecast to strengthen later on. I did not want to get caught out having to fish the full length all day if the wind blew up. 11.5m would let me go out further if I could or come in a bit if it blew up and there were no significant shelves on the bottom anyway (they don't call me Son of Glen for nothing you know). I had really fancied Steves' end peg and fully expected him to start bagging as I had seen plenty of fish moving around up that end when pegging out. But as the saying goes, whilst you can only catch the fish that are in your swim you still need to be able to fish a bit to catch 'em! (Its called a joke Steve).

The first 1/2 hour saw a couple of funny old bites that took an age to develop and the strike brought nothing but a sucked maggot, lucky maggot. Changing over to a double maggot I got a good bite straight away of which I promptly missed. Next chuck saw me into a good fish, which I took my time over to get it in the net and at about 6lb it was a relief to get it in the net so early in the match. I could relax a bit. Now here comes the bit that will really piss you all off. I rebaited and shipped out, after a couple of minutes I thought a cuppa was in order so I shipped back the pole so I could turn round and get the thermos. When I looked back, the float which was suspended out of the water, started to shoot off. I pulled the pole backwards and was into another lump. This had taken a double maggot about 4 metres out in mid water. Now there's a bit of luck I thought as I slipped another 6 pounder in the net!

It was about this time that Norm who had obviously either been watching me in awe or had fallen asleep in his chair did a John Davis special and let his rod fly into the water with a fish on the other end. It shot out into the middle and Norm had to get his feeder rod out to snag it which he did without too much hassle. Laugh we did. The only problem is that I know I am going to do it one day and then everyone will be taking the piss out of me.

The rest was all a bit of a blur really. I scaled up to a 5lb bottom with a size 14 as all the fish seemed to be lumps. Double and triple maggots worked all day but it tailed off towards the end, not a touch on corn. Big fish, full of spawn most of them. I had a gallery behind me cheering me on most of the time, which was a real pain in the arse. *{but he loved every moment of it ed}* Every now and then I thought I felt beady, jealous eyes glaring at me from up Norm, Steve and Mark's way but I didn't look round as I was too busy catching lumps and signing autographs for my adoring fans.

I sounded the all out when I'd had enough of catching monster lumps and felt like going home but even I was a bit surprised when I went to get the net out of the water. I thought it was snagged on the bottom instead it turned out to be 42.42Kg of lovely stinking carp and a new venue record for the pound.

All in all, it was a cracking day for me at least. I don't remember what everyone else did and I didn't really care, as I was too busy being a smug bastard. *{WHAT'S NEW ed}* I was a bit pissed off I didn't take the club record weight or break the 100lb mark but there will always be Canberra.

In the end though the final analysis is that I was just a lucky sod who happened to be in a swim full of fat hungry fish getting ready to breed and I couldn't do much wrong on the day. No fantastic tactics or secret baits, but I did still have to catch em!

Match report The Pound 2/9/01 The short version *{some will say The shit version! ed}*

Went to the pound for a bit of a fish,  
To catch a couple my only wish,  
Whipped every arse,  
Your efforts pure farce,  
I was brilliant, inspired yet modest, -ish.

*{Could some one tell me what it is all about, I fell asleep while reading it, I only got to "The day it all went to Plan" Ed}*  
Well done Jon a very good Match Weight.

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## Pairs Competition 2001/2002

Pool A Angler	Number	Points Rd1	Points Rd2	Points Rd3	Points Rd4	Points Rd5	Total
John Alimeni	1	6	2				8
Jon Moses	2	2	3				5
Danny Brown	3	4	1				5
Howard Hill	4	3	4				7
Steve Scott		1	2				3
Bill Childs	5	1	5				6

Pool B Angler	Number	Points Rnd1	Points Rnd2	Points Rnd3	Points Rnd4	Points Rnd5	Total
Gaetano Amorosi	1	6	5				11
John Davis	2	2	2				4
Simon Lodge	3	4	6				10
Jimmy	4	3	6				9
Mathew Scott		1	2				3
Mark Dean	5	1	6				7

### Round 1 Results

Anglers	Peg	Weight	Points
A1, B1	6	DNW	6
A2, B2	4	1.22 Bass	2
A3, B3	5	Empire fish Unweighable	4
A4, B4	1	0.6 Carp	3
A5, B5	2	1,66 Eel	1
Steve Scott & Mathew	3	4.14 Carp	1

### 2nd pairs Match

Anglers	Peg	Weight	Pool A	Point	Pool B	Points
A1 , B2	5	31.10	John Alimeni	2	John Davis	3
A2 , B3	3	30.76	Jon Moses	3	Simon Lodge (DNF)	6
A3 , B4	1	52.72	Danny Brown	1	Jimmy (DNF)	6
A4 , B5	4	23.26	Howard Hill	4	Mark Dean (DNFUK)	6
A5 , B1	6	19.68	Bill Childs	5	Gaetano Amorosi	5
S Scott & Mathew	2	34.82		2		2

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## Club Championship Points 2001/2002 To September 2001

Pos	Angler	Fished	Last M Peg	Last M Pt	Last M Kg	Tot Kg	Tot Pts	L W 2	Sect Pts
1	N Campbell	3	5	25	5.64	12.26	79		1
2	D Brown	3	16	23	4.56	8.24	75		2
3	A Hicks	3	14	20	3.5	7.78	74		1
4	D Woods	3	15	19	3.48	6.48	69		0
5	J Moses	3	6	30	42.42	45.5	58		1
6	M Triston	3	4	26	5.94	9.86	55		1
7	R Waits	3	13	29	12.9	15.36	54		1
8	J Davis	3	10	24	4.6	8.26	53		1
9	S Scott	3	3	28	9.18	11.32	51		0
10	R Czichon	3	17	0	0	0.46	45		0
11	C Draper	2	11	0	0	6.18	30		1
12	J Alimeni	2	19	27	6.36	6.36	27		0
13	T Vaugan	1	0	0	0	0.32	25		0
14	B Childs	3	12	22	4.02	4.02	22		0
15	A Bradshaw	3	9	21	3.54	3.54	21		0
16	G Amorosi	3	7	18	3.1	3.1	18		0
17	H Hill	3	18	17	2.64	2.64	17		0
18	C Gursen	2	0	0	0	0	0		0
19	S Deans	1	0	0	0	0	0		0
20	M Dean	1	0	0	0	0	0		0
21	L Halasz	0	0	0	0	0	0		0
22	S D'Ombra	0	0	0	0	0	0		0
23	S Lodge	1	0	0	0	0	0		0
24	B Horton	0	0	0	0	0	0		0
25	John B	0	0	0	0	0	0		0
26	Jose F	0	0	0	0	0	0		0
						151.68			

## Committee Banquet

T'was the night before Christmas or we thought all our Christmas's came at once.

The committee turned up for another lengthy night of sorting out the clubs problems, Rowing Course, Canberra, and the new fishery rules. When the Galloping Gourmet Mr Howard Hill presented us with our light refreshments. Nibbles and nuts, then low and behold,

**We each had a whole Cooked Chook!** with a small side dish of salad.

Followed by apple pie and ice cream. I must say that Howard's cooking is very good, {otherwise we will not get fed any more}. So with full bellies and a lot of wind passing, the Committee got down to the affairs in hand. {See attachment of the meeting's minutes.} So if you want a good feed every 3 months get yourself on the committee and help the club out.

{Howard, what is wrong with our usual Pheasant, Venison, Swan and Boars head with Spotted Dick for sweet. More complaints}

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## MERRYLANDS CENTRAL GARDENS FISHING CLINIC. 14/10/2001

After two lengthy meetings at Holroyd Council in preparation for this day and one wonderful days fishing trial apart from all the screaming kids and the Rain, it was in the school holidays! Howard and I arrived at 8.30am on Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> for a days trial

All approved by the Councils and the rangers, the rain was falling down but we did not mind. I was Broken up 3 times on the first 3 fish. I was using an old Carp Pole with 14lb Power-gum and 3 kl line, after the second break off I went on to the Carp Rod with 8 lb Braid straight through and got bitten off by a large eel. Howard kept catching the same "Golden" Gold fish 8 times it seemed to be the same fish. Just wait for the photos Howard was dressed more colorful than the Goldfish. *{not that the fish were dressed, just naked, not Howard, the fish!}* In all we had over 300lb *{estimated, could have been more}* of fish between us and we left at 1.30. Excellent Days fishing

### The big day was upon us.

We met at 7.00am the Rangers car park in the Central Gardens, keeping as quiet as we could which is very hard for us lot. Being Steve, Mathew, Danny, Howard, Ronnie, and I Myself.

The Rangers let us in. and we drove to the waters edge to unpack our gear. The Air was full of excitement *{Lot of big Kids}*

I had pre-baited 6 swims just before we left on the Thursday with pellets and corn, just a little extra to bring the fish on, well you do not want to look too silly when you have an audience.

We set up and started fishing, the weather was good and after a nights rain the water level was up by 3-4 inches. What a difference a couple of days make, it was a completely different venue, the fish where slow to come on to the feed.

I would say that the amount of fish we all caught was only a quarter of what Howard and I caught on the Thursday. We were scratching for bites and fish.

Ronnie was first to catch then Danny and we all managed to get a few to the net. We all tried so hard that we fished all through our lunch break and then the kids started turning up for their tuition, the first couple of kids we managed to land a few fish for but most of the time the kids where fishless, which was a shame. Danny caught a Goldfish of about a kilo.

Then my kiddy caught one of 2.4 kilo's and again this year Ronny's youngster pipped us with a good fish of 3.1 kilo.

None of the girls that we helped caught any fish so the prizes would go to the boys, but as we had only got the winning lads name and address we retained the girls prize for another time another place.

The interest shown in the way we fish was good and I spent quite a time with one of the Auburn Councilor's, and we discussed the merits of teaching youngster the merits of catch and return, it seems that she is a fisherman, loves fishing, and would like to open the park to this sort of fishing.

Maybe they would look at a fishing clinic every two to three months, with members of the club giving the guidance and tuition to some 6 -12 kids. For the under privileged or Disabled children, get them away from the TV, Computer and in the fresh air, learn some of the skills of Coarse fishing, respect for life of fish, and just enjoy the occasion.

But we will have to see if anything comes of it.

Tight lines and freckles.

Bill

*[Please note that all the ed's comments are meant in good fun. If you take them the wrong way. Please get typing and do the Mag.]*

*Bill*

**Top tips - Pole elastic.**

There are many different types of elastics available. You can check the knot strengths and diameters of Drennan and Kamasan elastic in the tables below. You can also check the sizes of Vespe elastic. Other elastics may vary. The recommended line strength and dia. is based on Drennan rig line

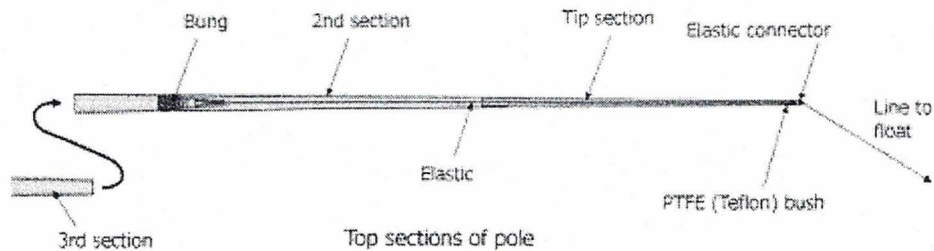
**Drennan Power Glo elastic**

Elastic #	Colour	Dia.	Knot strength	Hooklength dia.	Line b. s.
8	Green	1.2mm	8lb	0.12mm	2lb 8oz
10	Orange	1.3mm	10lb	0.13mm	3lb
12	Yellow	1.4mm	12lb	0.14mm	3lb 8oz
14	Pink	1.6mm	14lb	0.15mm	4lb
16	Lime	1.8mm	16lb	0.16mm	5lb
18	Red	2.0mm	18lb	0.17mm	6lb
20	Coral	2.2mm	20lb	0.20mm	7lb +

**Kamasan pole elastic**

Elastic #	Colour	Dia.	Hooklength dia.
2	Pink	0.6mm	0.05 - 0.07mm
3	Blue	0.7mm	0.06 - 0.08mm
4	Yellow	0.8mm	0.07 - 0.09mm
5	Red	0.9mm	0.09 - 0.12mm
6	Green	1.0mm	0.09 - 0.12mm
8	Gold	1.2mm	0.10 - 0.13mm
10	Orange	1.4mm	0.12 - 0.14mm
12	Violet	1.6mm	0.13 - 0.15mm
14	Mint	1.8mm	0.14 - 0.16mm
16	Magenta	2.0mm	0.15 - 0.17mm

**How do I set up my pole?** Shown below is a typical pole elastic set up. To set up your pole up you will need a bung, Drennan, Kamasan or Vespe elastic and an elastic connector. You will also need a Drennan bush or Future bush fitted to the end of your pole

**TYPICAL POLE SET UP**

**What length of elastic should I put in my pole?** As a general rule when carp fishing I would put 6ft to 8ft of elastic in my pole. It all depends on the type of pole you use as the top sections of different models will vary in length. It is convenient to put the elastic through either the top section, top 2 or top 3. On most poles I would put elastic through the top 2 but some models have shorter sections and then it needs to go through the top 3. What you must remember is that the shorter the length of elastic you use the less distance a carp can run before the elastic comes under a lot of tension. When this happens quickly the hook can sometimes pull out. Alternatively if you use too much elastic it can be

difficult to control the carp properly and it can then take a long time to land the fish.

**How often should I change my elastic?** There are no hard and fast rules. it depends to a great extent upon how often you use it and how often you stretch it (i.e. how many big fish you are catching!) It is quite possible to leave thicker diameter elastics in a pole for two or three months if you are not using it regularly. If I was using the same elastics regularly and catching plenty of fish I would change it every three or four weeks. This is only a personal thing but if I am hoping to catch big fish I want to be sure that the elastic will not let me down. If you are not sure whether to change it or not check the end of the elastic where it comes out of the pole, this is usually the part that will wear first. If it looks ok then you can safely assume that the rest of it will be ok.

**How tight should I have the elastic in my pole?** It is usually best to have just enough tension in the elastic to ensure it all returns into the pole when a fish has just been landed. If some elastic hangs out the end of the pole it is a simple matter to shorten it slightly. There are occasions when the elastic needs to be slightly tighter. This normally occurs if you are fishing near any snags or features and need to apply more pressure to the fish immediately after hooking it to pull it safely away.

If you have any questions regarding elastics please contact me using the [enquiry form](#)

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**Top tips - Setting up a feeder**

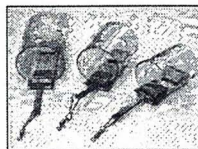
There are many different ways to set up a feeder and every angler will have his own favourite methods and rigs. The feeder rigs shown below are a few of my favourites and are a good starting point if you are new to feeder fishing. The set up will depend what type of feeder you are using and also the type of venue and the species you are attempting to catch. These set ups can only ever be a general guide as it will often be necessary to adjust the rig during a fishing session. It is quite common to change the hooklength on several occasions during the day in response to the way the fish are feeding. If you have any questions regarding setting up a feeder then please contact me using the [enquiry form](#)

**1. How should I set up my feeder?**

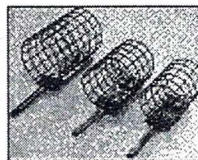
- Open end and cage feeders



Gripmesh feeders

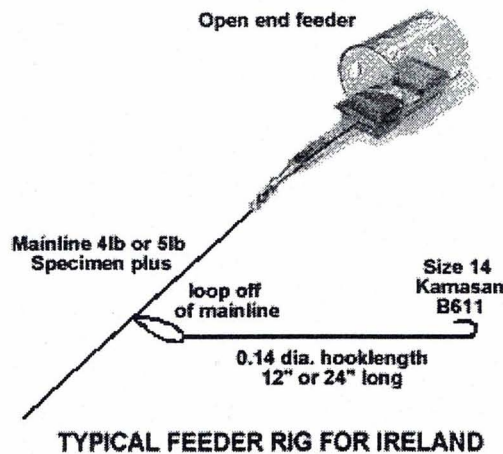


Open end feeders



Cage feeders

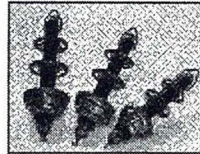
Open end and cage feeders can be set up in several ways. The simplest stillwater rigs are shown below -



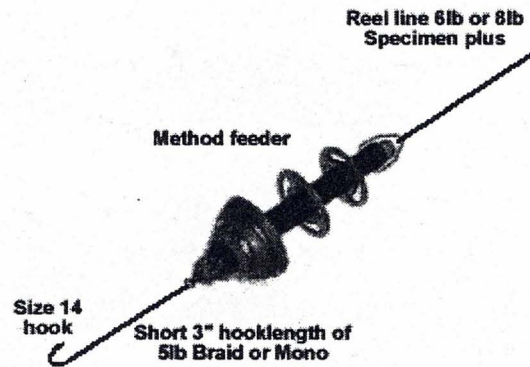
The feeder is attached to the reel line with a clip swivel and a small loop is

then formed off of the the reel line between 4" and 8" from the feeder. The hooklength is simply tied to this loop with a half blood knot or a loop to loop method and you are ready to fish. This rig is suitable for still and slow flowing waters.

**- Method feeders**



Method feeders



**TYPICAL METHOD FEEDER RIG**

Method feeders are set up in a totally different way to conventional feeders and can be devastating at times. They are designed for carp fishing and are popular with both carp and match anglers.

They are used in conjunction with a short hooklength and a heavy groundbait mix that will not break down quickly when in the water. Carp are attracted to the ball of groundbait and then see the hook bait lying 2" or 3" away. They usually cannot resist it. Bites are normally indicated by the carp trying to drag the rod into the water!

The information shown below indicates which feeder to use on a variety of venues. Nothing is definite in fishing and there may be times when feeders other than those suggested may work better.

Name	Feeder type	Species	Venue
Carp feeder	Maggots/particles	Carp	Stillwaters
Method feeder	Method	Carp	Stillwaters
Gripmesh feeder	Groundbait	All	Stillwaters / rivers
Open end feeder	Groundbait	All	Stillwaters / rivers
Groundbait feeder	Groundbait	All	Stillwaters / rivers
Heavyweight g/b feeder	Groundbait	All	Rivers
Cage feeder	Groundbait	All	Stillwaters / rivers
Oval blockend standard	Maggots/particles	All	Rivers
Oval blockend heavy	Maggots/particles	All	Rivers
Feederlink	Maggots/particles	All	Stillwaters
Blockend feeder	Maggots/particles	All	Stillwaters / rivers



## Minutes for SCAC Meeting 26/09/01 (Howard's)

**Meeting Procedure**      **Meeting opened**      7.45

1. Those present      B Childs, J Moses, H Hill, S Scott, J Davis
2. Apologies
3. Visitors
4. Confirmation of Previous Minutes – Minutes of AGM were confirmed as a true and accurate record by B Childs and seconded by J Davis
5. Minutes

**2:3/00-01**      **Trans Tasman Organisation 2003 (submitted S Scott)**

It was agreed that S Scott will check out the possibility of using the rowing course or Prospect as a venue for the TT. If possible a proposal may be submitted to the AFCAA for consideration. This item to remain as is given the current situation with the AFCAA and rowing course.

Apparently the Federation is still interested in receiving a proposal from the SCAC re staging the event in Sydney or Canberra

S Scott will produce a proposal on behalf of the SCAC.

**Action S Scott**

**4:3/00-01**      **Proposal to change world championship selection rules (submitted S Scott)**

The AFCAA has received a proposal to change selection criteria for the Australian squad. The SCAC should consider the issues and respond appropriately.

After long discussion the committee will recommend to all SCAC members that the proposal as it stands be voted against as it could disadvantage any SCAC member wishing to attend the world championships. A proxy form for the AFCAA AGM will be prepared and any SCAC member wishing to vote no should provide their signature.

The proposal / amendment provided to the Federation was not accepted at the AGM does the committee want to take the issue further? See attached proposal / documentation.

A response was received from the AFCAA Inc, which is to be published together with a further SCAC letter.

A second response has been received from the federation and as such it was resolved that the SCAC will respond once again and that the issue will be discussed at the AGM.

After discussion at the AGM it was resolved that the response by the SCAC committee (see magazine will remain unchanged)

Contact has been made with Cips re our possible participation in the world club championships. Bill is to contact the federation to get their input and possible approval.

Bill reported that as yet he has not contacted the Federation re their approval of this issue.

**Action: Committee & Bill Childs**

6:3/00-01

**ACT Fisheries Dispensation Revoked (submitted D Arnold, J Moses)**

D Arnold has reported that the dispensation for the number of rods that can be set up in the ACT matches has been questioned / revoked. Apparently the authority to grant dispensation rests with an ACT government department other than Mark Linterman of Fisheries. It was agreed that D Arnold & S Scott arrange a meeting with the appropriate person in the near future to resolve this issue. A list of conditions was received by D Arnold at a meeting in Canberra from the authorities and as such a letter of reply will be drafted and sent.

The letter of reply has been sent and as such our use of the venue has been approved by the NCA although we have not received any correspondence from ACT fisheries as a response.

**Action: S Scott, D Arnold.**

1:4/00-01

**Rowing course (Submitted S Scott)**

The rowing course warm up lake has now become available and will be used for the last match of the 2001 season. Further to this S Scott will organise the staging of 5 new season matches in July, September, February, April and June. In addition to the match fees each club member will be responsible for the payment of \$6.60, which is a fee imposed by the rowing course for use of the venue. H Hill will collect the fees as part of the collection of SCAC match fees

**Bad news unfortunately** – Penrith Lakes Development Corporation has apparently denied access to the lake because we refuse to kill Carp. This is despite the fact that PLDC as well as site management wants us to use the venue and the provision of evidence supporting our argument. S Scott has escalated the issue to NSW Fisheries and K Flynn (site management) has escalated the issue to his senior executive.

S Scott submitted a letter to the committee for approval which is to be sent to the SIRC and PLDC requesting that PLDC reverse its apparent decision or provide in writing the rationale for not allowing the SCAC to use the venue. If PLDC respond in the negative then it is the intention of the SCAC to escalate the situation to the Minister for Fisheries, Sport and Recreation etc to achieve our desire to use this venue.

On 14<sup>th</sup> of June S Scott was informed by phone by Ian Stainton CEO of PLDC that his team of experts had decided not to allow the SCAC to use the warm up lake given our ethic of releasing carp and goldfish etc. S Scott is awaiting a documented response from PLDC and once received it was agreed that S Scott will write to the Ministers for fisheries, sport and recreation and local member with a view of attaining their support re our desire to use the venue.

**More bad news** – it appears that the minister for fisheries does not want to support our cause. S Scott to draft a letter to the minister requesting a meeting to be scheduled with all interested parties.

**Some better news** - The minister for fisheries has agreed to the meeting. S Scott to draft a list of supporting evidence to be used during the meeting on the 31<sup>st</sup> October.

S Scott will seek legal advice prior to the meeting and inform the committee of the results. B Childs, J Moses & S Scott to attend the meeting

**Action: S Scott**

6. Correspondence in out

S Scott submitted letters to the Minister of Fisheries, Treasurer and Director general of OCA  
B Childs submitted various letters from Holroyd Council, AFCAA and read out AFCAA newsletter.

7. General Business New Items

**1:09/01-02 Carnival Festival (Holroyd Council) (Submitted B Childs)**

B Childs has received an official invite to run the fishing demo and Kids clinic as last year. As such the invite was accepted on behalf of the SCAC and B Childs is to organise the various requirements.

**Action: B Childs + Committee**

**2:09/01-02 Canberra Classic (Submitted J Moses)**

J Moses raised the issue of the organisation of the Canberra Classic and as such the following was agreed

- B Childs to request that Vic anglers bring three sets of scales + tripods
- B Childs to organise paints and stencils
- S Scott to organise computer and printer
- S Scott to organise rules
- H Hill to organise draw and finances
- H Hill to purchase new air horn

**Action: Committee**

**3:09/01-02 Change of Letter Head (Submitted J Davis)**

J Davis suggested that the SCAC change letterhead as the use of a Carp might not be received well. After some discussion it was agreed that S Scott would research a different letterhead for future use.

**Action: S Scott**

8. Close of meeting 10.50pm

Secretary SCAC