

PRESIDENT'S REPORT - November 2008

After not issuing a Tailrope for October it is a pleasure to say that the quite months have passed and things on the fishing scene are starting to look up. Numerous club boats (many of them not on the CGFC webpage) have been taking advantage of the big schools of Albacore that have been just off the coast and it is good to hear reports of people bagging out on these great table fish. There are stories of the odd good sized Yellowfin being caught as well.

The Committee met last month and the Social weekend planned to replace the Bermi Bash is coming together nicely. It is planned for the weekend of the 14th & 15th of February and will take place at "Bracken" at MacKenzies Beach. Numerous options exist for launching trailer boats with boat ramps at Malua Bay, Mossie Point or the Bay so please put the date in your diary and commit to what will be a great weekend. Details will follow.

Of course the other diary date is our Christmas Party and once again we owe thanks to Gary & Judy Cairns as our generous hosts. Again details will follow.

Another issue raised was the CGFC Webpage and getting all the information we want onto the page, which is progressing. However I will repeat the request for stories and pictures of both fish and boats. I trust we will be able to report further progress at the November meeting. Any input about what you would like to see on your Webpage would be appreciated.

Although our next meeting is on Melbourne Cup Tuesday Peter Green has generously agreed to come along and talk reels and reel maintenance. Perfect time to ask those questions about what's needed to return the old faithfuls to the silky smooth performance they once had. Peter Green services reels for Tackleworld and has a long history of servicing reels in Canberra.

Have had the pleasure of two recent fishing trips, the first with Kevin Collins and Roger Gribble fishing for Albacore out of Mossie point, the second with Gary Cairns and Ron Smith chasing Big Blacks out of Cooktown on Bill Collector. Two days of bag limits in our local waters as against 1 junior Black and a lot of by-catch in Queensland. Sorry the Queenslanders have got it wrong unless beautiful is blowing 20 knots and perfect is blowing 30. Am madly finishing this report so tomorrow I can go and chase some Bass in the Brogo River for 6 days.

So besides Peter Green and his talk on reels we will have fishing reports and from the grapevine there should be lots of them.

See you Melbourne Cup Tuesday for the November Meeting

Cheers and tight lines

Greg Flowers

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