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APRIL 2009

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# Club Dates

# Club Night

21st April

## APRIL 2009

M	T	W	TH	F	S	S
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6	7	8	9	10	11	12
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No committee  
meeting this month

**21ST Club Night**

Reel Maintenance with Bob Gutsell  
7:30pm at Club Rooms

## MAY 2009

M	T	W	TH	F	S	S
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12th Committee Meeting

**19TH Club Night**

# President's Report

So now we have someone pushing the "on again off again" switch for Summer , after my pronouncement about the "winter switch" being pushed last month we've almost had 5 weeks with almost no rain! And very warm conditions.

Having said that, it's my favourite time of year fishing wise. Snapper are absolutely ravenous this time of year and they along with the more interesting sport fish species , Kingfish, Trevally and the ubiquitous kahawai are almost anywhere and they're hungry!. The best part about this time of year is that stray line fishing in the shallows will just keep getting better and better over the next few months. I'm certainly not one to knock soft plastics, I've had a lot of success with them, but deep down there's nothing better than being anchored in less than 10 metres of water with good current, abundant bait fish , and stray lining large chunks of aforementioned baitfish down the burley trail. It's a great time of year to whip out for an early morning, leave in the dark, or late afternoon come home in the dark trip to a shallow spot near you. If you're looking for ideas, there are some great spots around the coast of Motiti off Tauranga, and almost anywhere in the Hauraki gulf is good and safe as well. The secret is to make sure there is good current in those thar shallows. Be careful about travelling in the dark either in early mornings or dusk. Know you're route well and make sure you've marked potential hazards on your GPS.

It's also a great time for game fish as well. Mark Olsen was fishing off Te Kouma last weekend and caught skippies in the middle of the Hauraki gulf! Congratulations to Mark Dingle for his first marlin caught out of Waihou bay on his recent trip down there with Stu Ross. Meanwhile the bay of Plenty is starting to cool down rapidly but the northern waters will be productive for some time yet.

So now we're back to the business of revitalising the club. We've got money in the bank after the one base but it won't last long unless we change some of the ways we have done things. One of the potential areas we can improve is the area of having a paid secretary. Somewhere along the way we've not been able to get members to step up for performing the role of secretary. It's not particularly an onerous job but since acquiring the club rooms, there are a number of compliance tasks which need to be performed. So as a solution to the issue of the lack of Volunteers, the club elected to have a paid secretary. Not a bad idea and Sue does a very good job. The problem is that our income from the one base will be almost entirely consumed by the payment of our secretary over the next 12 months! In an effort to overcome this issue we now have Mark and Taryn Olsen taking care of the newsletter, and we are also looking for some funding to make sure our secretarial duties continue to be taken care of. I'd love to hear from anyone with ideas on how to achieve this.

Finally, it's come to my attention that we also have a problem around family memberships. As an affiliated club to the New Zealand Big Game Fishing Council we're obliged to pay an annual fee for every named member to the NZBGFC. What does this mean? Well for each paid up member we must pay about \$10 to the NZBGFC. But here's the rub, for Family memberships, for every person listed under a family membership we pay \$10 to the NZBGFC. E.g. when we have a family membership listing 4 members, \$40 must be paid to the NZBGFC, obviously not much is left for our club! Other clubs are dealing to this issue by having everybody pay a normal membership fee then an additional \$10 per family member. We'd like your feedback on this, we need to minimize our outgoings and ensure that we retain as much income as we can for growing our club. We could adopt the approach used by other clubs or hopefully somebody will come up with a better plan.

As some of you are aware, we are also required as part of our affiliation with NZBGFC that we attend quarterly Area meetings with other clubs from within our Zone. Our Zone includes, Hamilton, Raglan, and Taranaki. Stu Ross and myself attended the most recent meeting was held on Saturday April 4<sup>th</sup> in the metropolis of Awakino. I think it's important for the membership to know what's being discussed at these meetings, such that you the members can provide feedback to the committee and subsequently the council about what the membership wants.

I have a personal concern that the Council has lost it's focus on what they're there for and have gone off on a political tangent which is of little use to it's current membership. So lets have your feedback and lets see if we can get our club and the council back on track.

We won't have a committee meeting this month, but we will be having our normal club night on Tuesday night April 21<sup>st</sup>. at the club rooms. This month we'll be demonstrating fishing reel maintenance. So bring a reel or two and we'll show you how to strip them down, clean them and get them ready for next season.

Don't forget, the Raglan Volunteer Coastguard are running another one of their infamous Bar Crossing Education Day on Sunday April 19<sup>th</sup> at the Fire Station in Wainui Road , Raglan. Registration is 9.30 am with a start time of 10.00 am. Cost is - as usual - \$20 per person and *please bring a lifejacket*.

Finally we're still getting great feedback for revitalising the club. If you still have ideas about what you'd like to see from the club and things that might help the club appeal to a wider audience, then contact myself, Sue or any of the committee members. Now's the time for us as a club to Crap or get off the Pot!

See Y'all there! And don't forget to bring ya mates!



# Current Lines

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**Welcome to Issue 62 of Current Lines**

## **New Research into Kahawai**

Genetics; Brenton Hodgson is an MSc student at the Victoria University of Wellington, investigating the genetics of Kahawai (*Arripis trutta*). This research is being conducted to determine how many genetically isolated breeding populations of Kahawai there are in New Zealand, and how much mixing between populations occurs. The research is expected to take up to a year to complete. Brenton is collecting material from around the country, and would appreciate contact from recreational or commercial fishers who would be willing to supply samples of material for the study.

These samples can be taken from live fish that can then be released, or from fish that have been taken as part of your normal fishing activities. Samples required are very small, no more than 0.5cm<sup>2</sup> per fish, as the genetic sampling technique he uses is capable of producing many copies of DNA. This DNA will then be compared to samples from fish from all over NZ and used to create a population map for the species. Brenton has set up a website (<http://www.hooked.net.nz>) to provide information on the research he is undertaking, how the work is performed, and he expects that this website will grow rapidly as he learns more about the species.

He is also looking for sponsorship for the project, and would be very happy to discuss this with anyone interested in providing some funding towards a cutting edge fisheries project. He needs all of the samples by the end of April to ensure he is able to complete the required lab work and analysis on the samples.

**If you are able to assist Brenton, he can be contacted at  
[brenton@hooked.net.nz](mailto:brenton@hooked.net.nz), or on 021 292 7170.**

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# Minutes for Zone 6 New Zealand Big Game Fishing Council held on the 4<sup>th</sup> April

<b>Present:</b> Kath Goodin,	Cape Egmont
Sheryl Hart,	Raglan
Liz Johns,	Kawhia
Stuart Ross	Waikato
Bob Gutsell	Waikato

Kevin Houchen has resigned as delegate for Kawhia and been replaced by Cecil Hickman who was unable to be with us today.

## Hiwi the Kiwi

Dennis Davey underwrote this project at the AGM of NZBGFC owing to the change in the world economic climate this commitment is unable to be fully met. Dennis has made however a huge financial commitment by investing approximately \$15,000 in the project The NZBGFC found itself contractually bound to honour the contract with Mark de Lacy. We have applied for funding and received \$10,000 from the Guardians of the Sea Trust. Other Trusts and Foundations have not been that forth coming. This leaves Council with the outstanding amount of approximately \$25,000 to underwrite.

The preliminary draft did not promote Council, Clubs or Game Fishing as a Sport. We are yet to see the revised version, which hopefully will fill the promised promotion. It appears that as of today he hasn't reached target dates for more than half the milestones outlined in his proposal. We do note the caveat that the DVD can only begin when the \$50,000 is paid.

Zone 6 are very concerned that there is no promotion of fishing as a sport, the NZBGFC and its clubs. We hope that the management committee have the right of approval of the final content. We recommend that Council

1. Write a letter of demand requiring unmet obligations to be met by 30 April 2009 to prevent further action being taken.

Below are the unmet contractual requirements:

**12<sup>th</sup> December** Minimum of 50 Schools signed.

**19<sup>th</sup> December** produce promotional DVD for potential sponsors. We haven't seen one.

**20<sup>th</sup> January** Educational resource completed ready for production. The only thing that I have seen is a good job on the School photocopier, content of which was not promoting Clubs, Council or Sport fishing.

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**1 February** Minimum of 125 Schools sign for 2009 As of the 24<sup>th</sup> March only 86 Schools. That the promotion of Sport fishing and promotion of council and clubs must be contained in the promotional material.

Moved Bob Gutsell    Seconded Stuart Ross

### **Kahawai Legal Challenge**

The appeal has been heard in the Supreme Court and we awaiting a decision hopefully in May. There has been an overrun in legal fees this is an unknown quantity. We need to know what we owe or when we have to pay. This total could be as high as \$90,000.

### **Highly Migratory Species (HMS) Fish Plan**

Zone 6 want to specify areas of significance to Game Fishers. We would like to reiterate our already stated areas of special significance. This is important to do as starting point for future negotiations. The plan is ready to be signed off at the next meeting and will then go to the next level.

### **West Coast Fish Plan**

This plan has been signed off and will be going before the expert panel in late April for checking against the Fisheries Act and all other Act's that this plan might affect.

### **Angling and Casting**

The New Zealand Big Game Fishing Council is in consultation with angling and Casting to create one set of New Zealand Records. Angling and Casting are also affiliated to the IGFA. Everyone was in favor of this move.

### **Nationals**

Zone 6 suggests that we look at putting in another phone line for Roz. So contact with clubs during the nationals is not diminished.

### **Hapuku/Groper**

Anglers presently get a certificate for the first and heaviest Hapuku; we would like to include Hapuku in our New Zealand records. If the records with Angling and Casting go ahead this will be possible. However if they don't we would like them added to ours.

### **Albacore Tagging**

Tagging has been done within New Zealand waters and 4 tagged Albacore have been brought in on the West Coast South Island fish sheds by commercial fisherman (thought to be Westport)

### **Proposed Name Change (Zone 3 & 4)**

Zone 6 is OK with a proposed name change, with some reservations on the reasons for it.

i.e. the refocus in recent times to fish preservation. We would like to see a refocus on Sport Fishing and the proposed name change to reflect that feeling

### **Ongoing Expenditure**

A Motion was passed at a recent management meeting where expenditure would not be paid for unless the management committee had passed a contract. We note a recent email from Richard Baker with attachment Meeting to discuss Harvest Methods and Information Use, which also involved our lawyer Stuart Ryan. Are we paying anything towards this? If so we have not approved the contract to look into this and any payment from this council will be denied by Zone 6.

The amount of \$520.94 for Moana Consultants is questioned, as it appears to be work that should be undertaken by our council secretary.

The unconstrained expenditure on consultants is excessive and must be stopped.

The vote was unanimous

### **Fish Tallies**

Clubs to be aware that only fish weighed by their club go into fish tallies for the year. Tag cards where it is known that no other club have sighted the tag card, these should put into the tally of the club receiving the card. Fish must not be counted twice.

### **Boat Shows**

It appears that the NZBGFC is going to approach show organizers to get a portion of the entrance fee. This is a good initiative.

### **SPARC**

The letter sent to SPARC re their enquiries of us was inappropriate and not inline with SPARC objectives of sport and fair play and did not fairly represent the NZBGFC as a sporting body. We note that they have declined our application once again. It is little wonder given the tone of the letter. We recommend re application more in keeping with the objects of the organization we are applying too.

### **Hokianga AGM**

We would like to enquire about the availability of the accommodation. We have heard that a major music festival is to be held in the area that weekend.

Zone 6 would like to nominate the Waikato Club for the 2010 Annual General Meeting.

The vote was unanimous

Cape Egmont will be a member of Council for 20 years in September and will 50 years old in March 2011 and Zone 6 congratulate them for this achievement. (We expect a big party).

Meeting Closed 1 p.m.

Zone 6 recommend that council adopt a bylaw that all council business is suspended where winds are less than 15 knots and the swell is under 1 ½ metres.

The vote was unanimous

# Bluenose at the Ranfurly Bank

Mark, Keith and Stu set off from Hamilton to Waihou Bay on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> March 2009.

We towed Keith's 8.5m White Pointer behind his land cruiser, it took over 5 hours to get to the bed and breakfast accommodation.

Early Friday morning, we launched at the Waihou Bay boat ramp and proceeded around the cape towards some G.P.S spots we were given at the Ranfurly Bank. The forecast was looking good. The first spot over 40 miles from the ramp was reasonably deep of 200m, but all it produced was some tope sharks. And so did the next couple of spots. So we moved out to another pinnacle even deeper at 350m.

With 2 lines down, 900 grams of lead and sometimes 600m of line out each time, we managed to finally get onto the bluenose.

3 total for the day, Mark got one at 14.5 kg . And a double strike for Stu. But we now knew where to come back to the next day (weather permitting).

Saturday was a slower start, due to the Steinies and Jim Beam last night !!

As soon as we got around the cape, on our way back to Bluenose Mountain, we set 5 lures, as we did see some bird life and workups on the Friday.

2 or 3 hours into it, 2 of the lures got attacked and it was my turn on the rod.

Marlin time yelled Stu !!

So we cleared the gear and by this time there was a s\*\*tload of line out, so Stu turned the boat towards the fish and chased it down. I was winding as fast as I could, but the line went slack. Bugger ???

But no !! As I wound in some more line, I got some tension, and the stripey was tail walking way out the back, only 15 mins later we had it to the boat. Keith had the leader, Stu got the tag in and the fish was estimated at 90-100kg. It was still green and in good condition, so it got to live another day.

First tag and release striped marlin for me, so the day had just got better and better.

We trolled a while longer then decided to get to the bluenose spot and try to load up with some more meat.

This time it was Keith that pulled in a double strike, 2 nice big bluenose again.

Then Stu with a 15.5 kg fish.

A few more were dragged from 350m giving a total of 7 for the afternoon. What a day it was!

Sunday got us out early as the forecast was closing in, we trolled our way down to the bluenose spot, and then hoped to get onto some xos kingfish. But the weather turned to crap once the boat got close to East Cape. So we came in close and had a fish in 100m, only to bring up an unusual looking fish, possibly hoki ?? We took photos and released it.

Time to head home, staying in close to land, taking photos of awesome scenery from Hicks bay and past Lottin point back to Waihou bay.

A great few days on a mean as boat, with plenty of fillets from 10 bluenose and one gemfish.

We can't wait to do it again soon!

# Fishing Tales

Fishing Tales is a new section to encourage fishing club members to share their fishing trips and results with other members. This is a draught page and you can send us an e-mail if you think of any further questions that would be interesting.

We will be formatting in excel and should be easy to fill out and email back to us to appear in the newsletter. You can fill out as much or little as you like and anonymous if you wish.

Hopefully you will support this, which will add some more interesting content to our newsletter. Maybe some patterns may appear to aid in more successful fishing. At a later date we hope to have it set up on the website.

Regards Mark & Taryn Olsen  
(taryn22@clear.net.nz)

# Fishing Tales

Location: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_

Boat Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Skipper: \_\_\_\_\_

Weather Conditions: \_\_\_\_\_ Number of crew: \_\_\_\_\_

Wind: Variable  5-10 kts  10-15 kts  15-20 kts

Wind Direction: N  NE  E  SE  S  SW  W  NW

Sea / Bar Conditions: Flat  0.5m  1m  1.5m  2m

**Species Caught:** Snapper:  Kahawai:  Kingfish:

Trevally:  Gurnard:  Shark:

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**Bait Used:** Bonito:  Pilchard:  Squid:

Soft Bait:  Jig:  Lure:

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**Bite Time:** \_\_\_\_\_:\_\_\_\_\_ AM / PM

**Other Comments:**

# This Month's Recipe



## Baked Fish with Lemon-Pepper Crust

Makes 4 servings

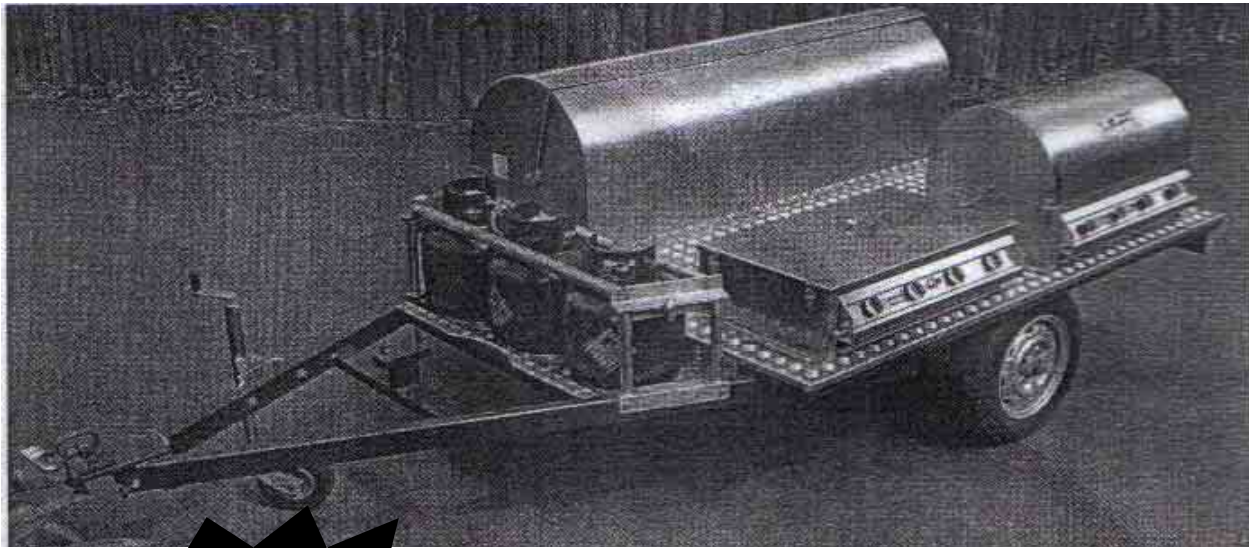
Less than 30 minutes from start to finish, this seafood entrée is a family favorite.

### **Ingredients:**

1 Cup fresh or dried bread crumbs, 1/4 cup of chopped flat-leaf parsley, 1 teaspoon of lemon pepper, 1/2 teaspoon of salt, 24 ounces firm white fish fillets - fresh or thawed, 2 tablespoons melted butter, 2 lemons - juiced

1. Preheat oven to 450°F.
2. In a bowl, combine bread crumbs, parsley, pepper and salt. Set aside.
3. Dip fish into melted butter and coat both sides with crumb mixture. Place on a baking sheet and bake until cooked through yet flaky to the fork, about 10 minutes. Sprinkle with lemon juice and serve.

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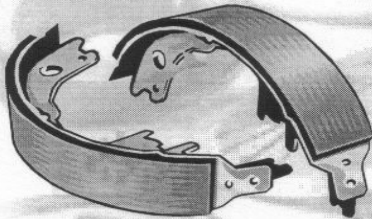
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# JOKE OF THE MONTH



Toward the end of Sunday service, the Minister asked, 'How many of you have forgiven your enemies?'

80% held up their hands.

The Minister then repeated his question.

All responded this time, except one small elderly lady.

'Mrs. Neely?'; 'Are you not willing to forgive your enemies?'

'I don't have any.' She replied, smiling sweetly.

'Mrs. Neely, that is very unusual. How old are you?'

'Ninety-eight.' she replied.

'Oh, Mrs. Neely, would you please come down in front & tell us all how a person can live ninety-eight years & not have an enemy in the world?'

The little sweetheart of a lady tottered down the aisle, faced the congregation, and said:

'I've outlived the bitches.'

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