



War Veterans Fishing Group

Meeting 5 April 2024

Notes

Ode: Grabby and members paused in silence for the reading

Present: Brad L, Bungy L, Jeff B, Peter G, Nick W, Allan P, Lofty A, Harry S, Sid J, Graham J

Apologies: John M, Gavin T, Robert H, Kevin S, Greg D, Kevin G, Chris HP, Rob K, Robin T, Vic E

Activities Reports:

Nick - out with Sid to St Kilda. 20 tommies, 3 gar and a couple of crabs using the small burley cage with slip loops attached (\$3.80 each on TEMU!) Goldy and Don on a charter in NT. Don scored a 1.2m barra and Goldy landed a Hammerhead Shark. Recent cyclones and flooded waterways affected their catch of quality fish.

Sid - out with Nick - perfecting the Mark 2 crab cage catcher

Gadget - no fishing since out with Harry last year - looking forward to Port Vic next week.

Brad - enquired about a boat license and a roof topper boat to be purchased. Intention to train and buy soon.

Lee - no fishing but found in his shed an electric knife for cutting and sealing polyester ropes. Available for loan to members.

Allan - 3 weeks in Tassie shore fishing - mainly catching them along the north coast. 58cm flathead, 40cm KGW, a couple of large Bream - stayed at Arthur River, some salmon as well!

GJ - replaced the defibrillator battery and he now holds the machine and the light for filleting etc

Harry - Out at O'Sullys - problem with launch fee payment as the area is out of range for mobile phone online payment.

Lofty - stay at Dwiars house at Turton - observed fishos who waded out to a sandbar and pulled a few KGW

Grabby - 5 days over Easter at Overland Corner. No callop but plenty of carp. Good pub meal at the local hotel. TV reception was OK with his caravan aerial.

Future Activities:

Month	Date	Location	Comment
April	8 - 12	Pt Vic	Action: GD
May	6 - 10	Pt Hughes	Action: GD
June	3 - 7	Pt Vic	Action: GD
July	8 - 12	Pt Hughes	Action: GD
Aug	6 - 9	Pt Vic	Action: GD

General Business:

Treasurer reported \$3,913.16. Annual memberships fees are due and have already been paid by most members.

Expenditure of \$264 for defib battery and \$58 for 2 years registration of our website

Lifejackets: New specifications in Jan 2025 mean some of us require new jackets. Nick will approach Marlin for a group price. Some discussion about the jackets with manual or water activation. Mixed views from our members.

Grabby talked about an adaptor from Ebay that converts an 18V Makita battery for use with 12v lighting and shower when camping. Grabby can provide details to you if you are interested.

First Aid and Resuscitation

Brad will be donating a resus dummy to the Group to practise their skills as a refresher for CPR. He has offered to provide members with a short refresher as he has a quantity of training dummies that he plans to sell so the Group may be able to attend a practise session when he gets the dummies/models from his former home.

Brad has kindly offered to provide Grabby with a list of his 'medical' supplies. Members will be able to replenish their first aid kits and provide Brad with a donation for his equipment (bandages and related equipment).

Thanks to Grabby for a tasty BBQ and salads and to GJ and Sid for cleaning up afterwards.

Next meeting 30th April 2024

Grabby declared the meeting closed.