

Rob Kearvell - Sydney, Lake Narrabeen 01/9/25

Lake Narrabeen, Pitwater Rd next to Mullet Creek

Very pleasant day, late afternoon, my first fish in Lake Narrabeen for nearly a year. Previous experience had me using a plastic paddle tail whitebait look alike, 5cm. Weather windy, cool, scattered cloud. The Lake has had heavy freshwater inflows so most of the lake was brackish except near the outlet. Picture shows my favourite spot, not heavily fished by others. Deep drop off close by and weed beds in close, spot on Flathead country. I use a two flick action on retrieve which works for me and seems to fool the Flatties. Ended up with two fish, legal size is 33cm so threw one back and kept one of 35cm. Usual fish story, hooked a large fish and after a couple of minutes battle my leader was bitten off. It must have been hungry to engulf it and bite it off above the clasp. Good fight while it lasted.



35cm Flattie and my spot looking towards the beach & estuary mouth. Pitwater Rd behind me.

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Same conditions as yesterday except the wind had dropped. Bit harder work today. A number of lack lustre hits but only one connection. Again this one was 35cm and hooked up at 2m in front of me. Gave a good fight and this was on the 3cm Whitebait Paddle tail as the one that got away yesterday had taken the 5cm version (my preferred) with him. Kept trying but only ended up with the one, better than none. Saw a keen enterprising young lady fishing off and Paddle board fitted out with rod holders and fish keeper basket fully dressed for hiking, well done I say.



Cheers and Tight Lines

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