



War Veterans Fishing Group

Meeting Friday 22 May 2026

Meeting Notes

1. Welcome

2. Ode - Nick read the Ode and members responded

3. Attendance

- a. Nick, Spud, GJ, Goldy, Stonie, Sydney, Spike, Big Al, Robbie, Lethal

4. Apologies -

- a. Gadget, Harry, Dinger B, Rob K, George Ski

5. Treasurers Report

- a. Treasurer advised that some members from 2025 were still unfinancial. They will be sent a letter notifying them of their status and their withdrawal from the membership list.
- b. Grabby reported \$3,579.74 at bank with a total amount of \$3,764.74 including merchandise.

Details for payment of membership fees are:

BANK DETAILS FOR PAYMENT OF MEMBER FEES DUE 1 JAN THIS YEAR 2026		
WVFG Bank Details	BSB:	633-000
Member Fees Are: \$10.00	Account:	148 116 791

6. Fishing Reports

- a. **Grabby** - no fishing - various medical conditions have limited his activity. Grabby advised on a battery monitor Bluetooth to a mobile phone.
- b. **Sid** - working on his design for fishing tackle for snook - backing double hooks. General advice from members was that snook are great to be smoked and edible when Cryovaced after filleting. Remove the yellow flesh during filleting as it has a nasty flavour!
- c. **Spike** - No fishing, KI next weekend and off to Turton this afternoon for some maintenance work. Spike still has a booking with Insane Charters out of Port vic. To refine his sounder techniques. Some reports of the algal bloom around Moonta.
- d. **Spud** - boat launched a couple of times with some success with tommies and silver whiting.
- e. **GJ** - Trip to the NT and Sand pan Creek/Mary River on a houseboat and Goldy's boat. 3 keeper fish caught but lean times for the others. Large stingray for Don and very little for Goldy. A long way to drive. GJ helped a mate out by driving his vehicle and caravan back from Coober Pedy as the friend had medical issues. Well done GJ!
- f. **Goldy** - Trip with Don and GJ to NT. Fish on the sounder but no bites - disappointing. No fish out on the reef for Jewfish. Mary River hire 18 ft boats for \$400/day. Possibly more economical than taking a boat up etc.
- g. **Robbie** - fishing at Mallacoota, NSW with his son. Good fishing with flathead, school shark and a bronze

whaler which was good eating! There are reports that crabs are still around in the Gulf!

h. **Big Al** - Major service due on his truck -

i. **Nick** - Mick Mummery and Michael Cleary went to Dundee Beach NT for a charter over 6 days. Plenty of fish with 15kg each coming back. They flew up and back!

7. General Business

a. Catch of the Month - Nothing from Greg this month

b. BBQ table acquisition Gadget has acquired a table. and will seek reimbursement from the Treasurer.

8. Future Activities

Month	Date	Activity	Meeting
June 26	8-12 June 14 -20 June	Tentative for a trip to Port Hughes Nick, Goldy, Gadget and Don are off to Elliston chasing salmon.	26 June 26
July 26	17 July 20 - 24 Jul	Blood-worming - Port Adelaide at night Port Victoria?	31 July 26
August 26	10 - 14 Aug	Trip away possibly Edithburgh?	

a. Lethal suggested a visit to the RFDS HQ at Adelaide Airport with a possible lunch afterwards at the Harbour Town cafes. Date for liaison should be October this year. Lethal to advise.

