



AUSTRALIAN ANGLERS ASSOCIATION



DISCOVERY COAST NEWSLETTER NO 1

Congratulations must go to New South Wales on running a successful National Championships in Harington. Congratulations also to the New South Wales teams that were very dominant; they are very difficult to beat in their own territory. However, Queensland did make a little dent in the Rock & Beach events and South Australia made their presence felt in the casting.

The weather wasn't the best we have ever had, and it is not what was ordered for the occasion. We had a couple of hiccups along the way, but these things happen in the best of organised families. Enough about yesterday, and more about what is coming up in the future - the 36th National Angling Championships on the Discovery Coast.

No matter how organised you seem to be, there is always something that slips your mind and you remember after you get home. I meant to hand out "Intention to Attend" forms, so that I can get email addresses and send the newsletters directly to those contemplating coming to the next Carnival. We intend putting out several newsletters as things come to hand to keep people informed. I don't know how we will get across to everybody with the first one, but we will form a database as names come to hand, and that way we can email them to you. I still have a number of friends without a computer, so we will have to find another way to get to them.

We will include an "Intention to Attend" form with each newsletter and if you fill that out now, we can send you a newsletter when they come out, but we do not want the money at this stage. We would prefer the money be paid around May/June 2020.

Queensland will be holding their state titles from the 7 to 14 September and all are welcome to participate. It would give people a chance to look around and see what we banana benders do. But I warn you, we do some different types of fishing. The events are Light Gear (land based in a restricted estuarine area), Offshore, Casting, Freshwater, Boat Estuary (from boat only) and Rock & Beach.

The Annual General and Federal Executive Meetings of AAA will be held at Sandcastles 1770 Motel and Resort (on the road to 1770) - just up from the shopping centre, on Friday, 6 September. We will do a tour of the venues for 2020 on Thursday, 5 September, leaving from Sandcastles at 8.30 am. I will give more reminders before this happens. The Manager of Sandcastles has said they will give a 10% discount for longer than a few days stay and this

percentage will increase the longer you stay. They also have a variety of accommodation available, not just the motel, with room for your car and boat!

The local PRD Nation Wide Realty agent, Tim Lawry, sent me the following on email. I'm pretty sure the first part of his email is not the reason we are all going to the Discovery Coast. He thought we might be interested in the weather part of the story.

THE BEST CLIMATE FOR A WEDDING OR TO GO FISHING!

“Did you know that the winter months in Agnes Water and 1770 are the perfect climate to have a wedding?

The average temperatures of sunny and 23 degrees and a minimum overnight temp of 15 degrees, you can't go wrong!

When you put the perfect weather together with so many amazing spots to get married (and to fish), like our beautiful secluded beaches and National Parks this town really does have it all including all of the facilities right here to make it a stay of a lifetime.

Here at ACCOMM 1770 we have many lovely properties available for holiday letting, over 100 in fact, to ensure you, your family and friends are comfortable from the minute they arrive.

We have all types of holiday homes from 1 bedroom apartments to luxury beachfront homes. We even have a holiday home ‘Captains Lodge’ which sleeps up to 24 people!” More information contact Tim Lawry on 07 749 470 or 0428 365 626

QUESTION ABOUT BAIT –

While we were having supper at our Queensland night presentation in Harrington, I was asked if worms available on the Discovery Coast. The answer is ‘yes’, but nobody is currently pulling worms for sale, because they are fairly scarce on the beaches around the area. I believe there are what we call blood worms available, which you may get in the soft mud beside the mangroves, but I don't know in what numbers or exactly where.

The Agnes Water Bait and Tackle sells salted worms that apparently come from Fraser Is and Tony, the proprietor, tells me they get great results using them. Usual, we would get live worms brought in from Moreton Bay; however, I'm sure you have all heard of the problem we currently have with white spot disease; and no worms, prawns, yabbies, etc can be transported or used outside the Moreton Bay area for fear of spreading the disease. But we can guarantee there are plenty of salted worms available!

While I was at the bait shop I took my time to take a look around and found it very well stocked, with the bait well presented and looking fresh. Tony told me that anybody fishing the titles will get a 10% discount on their purchases provided they show a registration card. The following bait was available -Squid in varying quantities 200 g, 500 g, 1 kg, 2 kg, 2.5 kg; Pilchards - IQF 400 g, 1 kg, 4 kg, 15 kg; and 2 kg in blocks frozen; Mullet whole, small pre packed fillets - 1 kg pack, 7 kg pack, and mullet heads; Gar 1 kg large, 400 g medium; White pilchards; small prawns; large prawns; pipis; Slimy mackerel; Salted worms; Bonito; 1 kg Yakka.

HEADQUARTERS

We also had a great breakfast with two lovely ladies from the Discovery Coast Sport and Recreation Club, which will be our headquarters for the Championships. They were only too pleased to help out in any way they could. Now, if we have any problems, they will look for ways to solve them. The HQ is out of the way slightly, but has plenty of parking for cars and boats. It is

a small club where you will *not* have to purchase a membership, but you will get all you need to eat and drink.

I am pretty positive there will be no travelling for the casting, as by the time the carnival comes around, we will have enough courts up and running to hold the event at headquarters. While we intend to hold the opening Welcome night at HQ, we will hold the final presentation dinner at the hall in the Community Centre in town.

If anybody else would like me to find out any information for them (except Where will I catch the most fish?) I would be happy to do so. Just drop me an email on jpcrone@bigpond.net.au and on my next trip to the Discovery Coast, I'll see what I can find out.

SUGGESTED PROGRAM

Wednesday 19 August Day 1	Registration HQ High tide 8.27 am @ 2.60 m - Low Tide 2.26 pm @ 0.30 m	9.00 am to 4.00 pm
Thursday 20 August Day 2	Registration HQ High tide 9.08 am @ 2.17 m – Low tide 3.09 am @ 0.27 m	9.00 am to 12.00 noon
Friday 21 August Day 3	Offshore - Round 1 Sign on at Headquarters Lines down Lines up Weigh-in commences High tide 9.51 am @ 2.76 m - Low 3.54 pm @ 0.31 m	5.30 am 7.00 am 1.00 pm 2.30 pm
Saturday 22 August Day 4	Rock & Beach - Round 1 Sign on at Headquarters Lines down Lines up Weigh-in commences Low tide 4.35 am @ 0.38 m – High tide 10.36 am @ 2.76 m	5.30 am 7.00 am 1.00 pm 2.30 pm
Sunday 23 August Day 5	Rest Day Low tide 5.18 am @ 0.46 m – High tide 11.25 am @ 2.71 m	
Monday 24 August Day 6	Offshore - Round 2 Sign on at Headquarters Lines down Lines up Weigh-in commences Low tide 6.06 am @ 0.58 m - High tide 12.20 am @ 2.62 m	5.30 am 7.00 am 1.00 pm 2.30 pm
Tuesday 25 August Day 7	Casting - Round 1 To be held at Headquarters Starting at Low tide 6.59 am @ 0.71 m - High 1.25 pm @ 2.53 m	8.00 am

Wednesday 26 August Day 8	Casting - Round 2 To be held at Headquarters Starting at 8.00 am Low tide 8.01 am @ 0.82 m – High tide 2.49 pm @ 2.50 m
Thursday 27 August Day 9	Rest Day Low tide 9.21 am @ 0.87 m - High tide 4.26 pm @ 2.58 m
Friday 28 August Day 10	Estuary - Round 1 Sign on at Headquarters 5.30 am Lines down 7.00 am Lines up 1.00 pm Weigh-in commences 2.30 pm High tide 4.47 am @ 2.09 m – Low tide 10.45 am @ 0.82 m
Saturday 29 August Day 11	Rock & Beach - Round 2 Sign on at Headquarters 5.30 am Lines down 7.00 am Lines up 1.00 pm Weigh-in commences 2.30 pm High tide 5.53 am @ 2.17 m – Low tide 11.49 am @ 0.71
Sunday 30 August Day 12	Rest Day High tide 6.43 am @ 2.28 m – Low tide 12.38 pm @ 0.60 m
Monday 31 August Day 13	Estuary - Round 2 Sign on at Headquarters 5.30 am Lines down 7.00 am Lines up 1.00 pm Weigh-in commences 2.30 pm High tide 7.24 am @ 2.39 m – Low tide 1.20 pm @ 0.82 m
Sunday 1 September Day 14	Convention meeting at HQ 9.00 am Presentation of trophies (Community Centre) 4.00 pm
	Full moon September 2

Social Program will be included in Newsletter No.2. We have already planned some interesting and very different events for you.

DON'T FORGET TO FILL OUT THE INTENTION TO ATTEND FORM AND YOU WILL GET EVERY NEWSLETTER EMAILED TO YOU. WE ARE NOT INTERESTED IN THE MONEY JUST YET.

If you need to contact us by phone, here are the contact numbers –
Pam Crone 0428 933 430 John Crone 0407 574 211



Intention to Attend Form

**Australian Anglers Association 36th National Angling
Championships and Convention
On the Discovery Coast
August 19 to September 1, 2020**

Anglers may register in *one* of the following six sections.

Men	Ladies	Juniors (under 17)
Veteran Men	Veteran Ladies	Social

Please indicate your intention to attend by completing the form below and forwarding to qafca@bigpond.net.au or post to -
QAFCA Inc, P O Box 3178, West Ipswich, Qld, 4305

Name : _____
 Street : _____
 Town : _____ State : _____ Postcode : _____
 Home Phone : _____ Mobile Phone : _____
 Email : _____

Please tick appropriate category

Name	Men \$65	Ladies \$65	Veteran Men \$65	Veteran Ladies \$65	Juniors \$35	Social \$35	Amount
TOTAL payable							

Juniors must be under **17 years of age** before the start of the carnival, while Veteran Men and Veteran Ladies must have reached **the age of 60** on or before the start of the carnival.