



BOAT CLUB FISHO NEWS – June 08

It's been a funny year for fishing in terms of the weather. It has seemed that from around October last year to now that every weekend we have a Fisho the weather blows up. But for the more hardy amongst us and those prepared to brave windy and wet weather, the rewards have been there. The year 07/08 has seen the return of the monster Flathead to the Pin region and judging by some of our Member's catches I think this observation is pretty well spot on. At the March Fisho, Sue, Rod and Phil Thomas braved the ordinary conditions and managed to bring in a pretty respectable bag which included a flat head that tipped the scales at almost four kilo's.



Sue Thomas' Monster 3.85kg Flathead, which was released after this photo, was taken



A nice Mixed Bag of Bream, Flounder, Whiting and Flathead from Rod Thomas

Flathead live in the weeds around mudflats and sandbars and I think that the proliferation of Flathead is pointing to waterways that are getting a little healthier due to the more stringent management of Moreton Bay and the Pin Region.

Sean and I were anchored off Boathaven in February and were lucky enough to watch a mother dolphin and her baby playing in the shallows about ten metres off the beach. If the marine mammals think that Tipplers is a good place to chase fish it must be a pretty hot spot for us too!

Casual Fisho

As you all know, the Casual Fisho is a format we are trialing for this year to encourage those who cannot fish weekends to get involved. I've had some comments about the disproportionate amount of points you get for fish caught 'casually versus fish caught on weekends and I'll suggest that next years scoring be adjusted to be more in line with the weekend events. This is the scoreboard for Casual fishing to date:

<i>Adult Casual</i>	<i>Kids Casual</i>
<i>Katrina Schmitzer – 309</i>	<i>Daniel Hazlett – 89</i>
<i>Rod Thomas – 148</i>	<i>Alyse Taylor – 74</i>
<i>Mick Gibson – 104</i>	<i>Brock Sheehan – 72</i>
<i>Helen Jasinski – 102</i>	<i>Brook Sheehan – 44</i>
<i>Rod Schmitzer – 86</i>	<i>Reece Taylor – 37</i>
<i>Sue Taylor – 72</i>	<i>Tom Alexander – 27</i>
	<i>Patrick English – 7</i>

Weekend Fisho's

These are the leaders (top 3) for the Adult and Kids Categories for the scheduled Monthly Events. Note that the scoring format for Weekends is based on weight so it should not be assumed that a person with fewer points in the Weekend Division has caught less fish than a person in the Casual Division

Adult Weekend Fisho

Sue Thomas – 201.5 Points, Total Bag Weight 12.35 Kilo's
Rod Thomas – 123 Points, Total Bag Weight 4.29 Kilo's
Rod Ball – 58 Points, Total Bag Weight 1.2 Kilo's

Kids Weekend Fisho

Sean Graham – 30 Points, Zero Fish (winning on weigh-out, weigh-in points alone)
Alyse Taylor – 24 Points, Total Bag Weight .2 Kilo's
Daniel Hazlett – 24 Points, Total Bag Weight .2 Kilo's