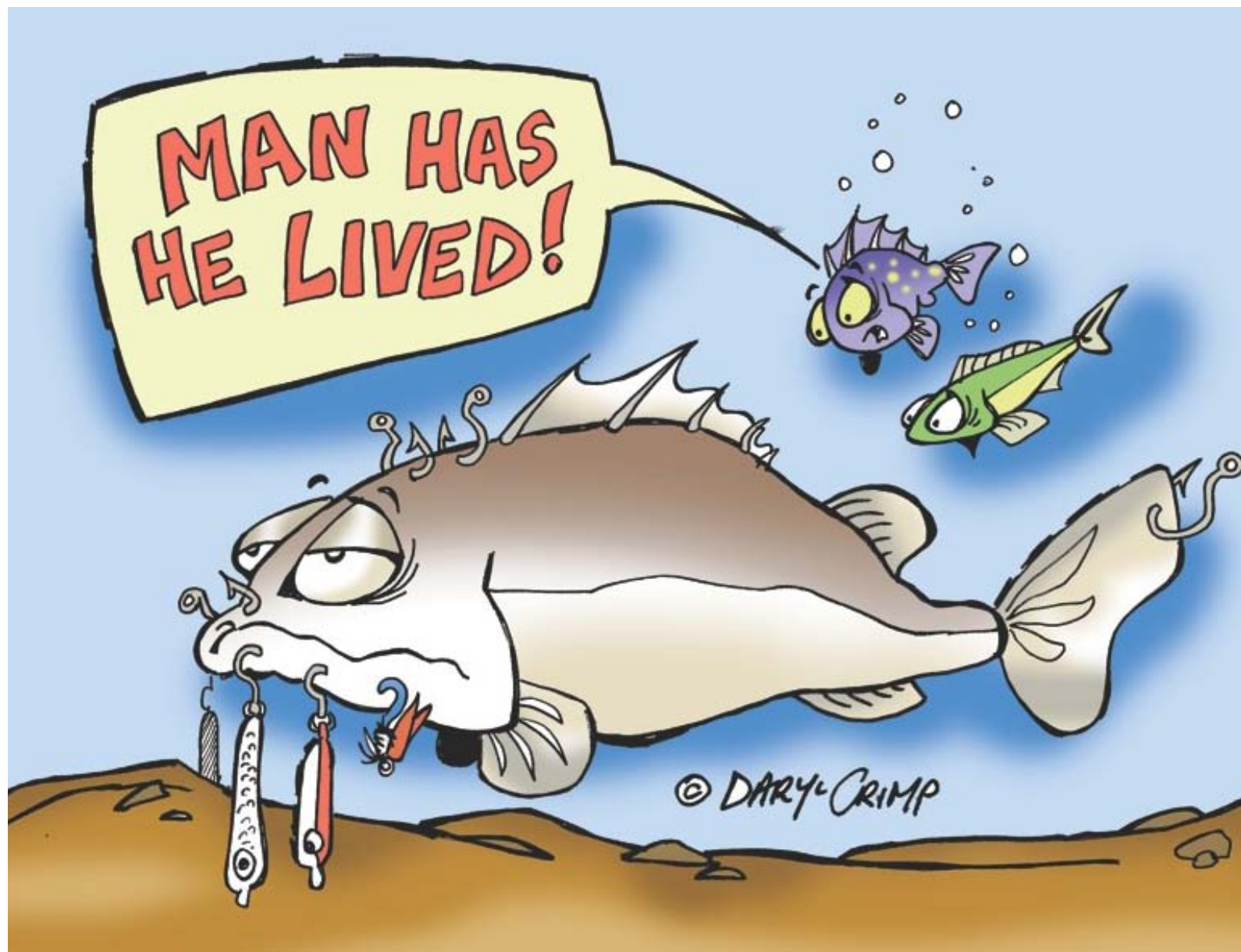


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Reel news from the Tautuku Fishing Club



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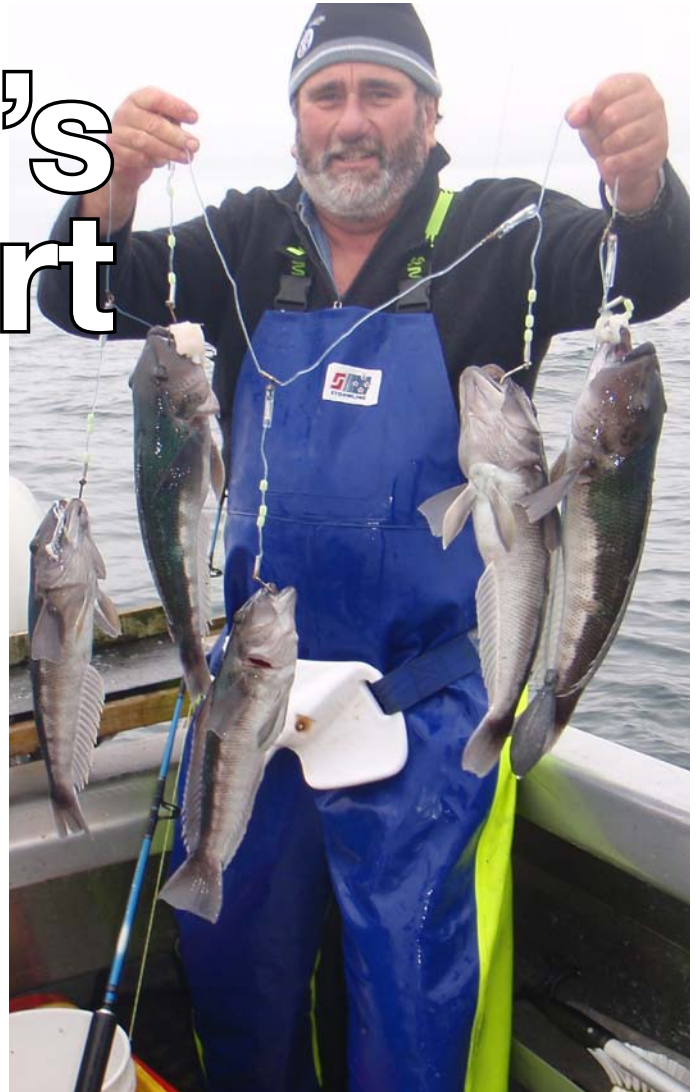


Happy New Year!

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Hi,

Compliments of the 2012 Season to you ALL.

The 2012 Salmon Fishing Year has started with a BANG! Yes over the last 6 days (7/01/12 – 12/01/12); the following salmon numbers have been caught off part of the Dunedin City Wharf – 7 fish/5/5/4/6 fish & today (12/01/12) - 5 salmon caught in a space of 1 1/2 hours (all at the 'turn of the tide'). Up to 30 persons have been fishing at a time – with 8 – 14 lb weights (average 10-12 lb). The harbour is alive with fish! This salmon success is rewarding to all the efforts by Dunedin Community Salmon Trust, Otago Salmon Anglers Association & the Hen's Jacks & Sprats Supporters. The 80,000 + smolt at the Sawyers Bay Salmon Hatchery are doing well – we are going for optimum weights before release. Because of dry conditions, we are pumping 'tide water' into the ponds.

With December being the driest 'on record' – the weather has been kind for good fishing off our coastline. Others who have ventured Central for their holidays, have had fantastic weather on our local lakes. While those who travel to 'the Top of the South' for the Festive Break, have had success with snapper and a few kingis. The annual Dunedin Harbour Salmon Fishing Competition, organised by the Otago Salmon Anglers Association is been held on the days of 3rd & 4th March 2012. Details are 'posted' @ our Club rooms.

Over the last Month; the Club has received sad news of the 'passing' of Colleen Robinson – Our delegate, representing Our Club at the NZBGF / NZ Sport Fishing AGM's; over many Years and Foundation/Life Member Fred Mitchell – deepest sympathies to family and friends. Also it's been a sad time for our "Aussie" resident Club Life Member – Alistair McAlpine with the death of his Mother. Mum's are Special – our sympathies are with you Alistair & your family.

Special thanks to Santa (Ian Reeves), BBQ Chef- Grant Hutton, plus Judy and her helpers, in making our Club Christmas BBQ a huge success for our children & members. Our Club Secretary – Garry, has produced the latest 'membership cards' for those who have paid to-date – these are available @ the Club Bar. Members, call in on a Sunday 5 pm to collect.

The Fishing Paper – January issue; features our young Club Member – Jorja Hutton with her Salmon & Coutta catches. This issue also covers many other fishing & hunting features that are worth the 'time out' to read. Your issue is available @ the Club Bar. My personal thanks to Daryl Crimp for allowing our Club to publish his NZ & World 'renowned' cartoons in our "Lure" issues – the first appears on our 'header page' with more to follow in future issues. Daryl Crimp is well known for his " Waka Murphy " cartoons. The Fishing Paper are requesting various photos of 'Southern' catches for their future issues – either send them through me or direct to the paper with your story! (Make sure the story you do send - also 'hits' your Club "Lure" news)! We are developing a Great relationship with Daryl, Annette & The Fishing Paper Team.

Our Club Records Manager - Russell Moylan is planning the **Club's .22 Shoot** for Sunday 26th February 1 pm @ the smallbore range, Victoria Road; opp Beach Hotel \$20 per head – Keep this date free – Always a fun afternoon. This date is also the Nationals briefing date – 5 pm @ the Club rooms.

See you @ the Club BBQ on Sunday 29th January.

Cheers, Brett

CLUB CAPTAIN'S REPORT



Happy New Year to everyone

No excuses for not getting out over the last couple of weeks, the weather gods providing some stunning conditions

The xmas classic , "Fergus Mathieson Memorial Trophy " has just concluded Winner Murray Muir with a 14.275 Tope

Other fish weighed in

Murray Muir	Blue Cod	2.850 kg
John Millar	Coutta	2.610 kg
Russell Moylan	Jock Stewart	1.290 kg

Congratulations to Cate Bardwell for catching her first two proper ,bottle of "Bombay "pending to help celebrate ?Grant Hutton has started landing some nice salmon after after quite a few sea hours without anything to show for it Russell Moylan had some fun with a good size Mako , before releasing it at boat

A number of sharks have been spotted ,including a good size white pointer thru Taieri Mouth recently.No wonder the water temperature has been consistantly around 16 degrees

Blue Nose getting caught out in the deep water ,along with the odd large trumpeter, so get those electric reels charged up ?

Next Competition

Sunday 22nd January – Reserve day 29th January (Coutta Day).

LADIES DAY and Associate Members Trophy

Please register with Murray Muir 4558808 as early as possible , the weigh in and prize giving will be at 6.00pm at the club rooms

Prize for heavist fish, 2nd , 3rd , 4th etc (one prize per angler)

Associate members will also be fishing for the Associates trophy

Murray Muir

NZ Sport Fishing Council - Current Lines - JANUARY 8th 2012

Yippee: The drought has well and truly broken at last, with the first marlin tagged and released being confirmed as - Angler Guy Sutherland from the vessel Lavante, a Striped marlin, Tag # G105364, Time 0630hrs 4th Jan 2012 for the Bay of Islands Swordfish Club Inc. This fish was caught approximately 25nm from the 3 Kings. The first weighed marlin of the season caught by an affiliated member goes to Donna Pascoe fishing from the vessel Gladiator. Donna caught a striped marlin on Thursday at 0859 and is a member of the Houhora Big Game & Sports Fishing Club. The fish was caught close to the 9 Pin Trench and was courtesy weighed by the Whangarei Deep Sea Anglers Club weighing in at 96.6 kg. Clubs from Waihou Bay through the Bay of Plenty right up to Houhora have reported marlin seen, hooked up to and lost.

Another first for this year was a fine yellowfin tuna weighed at Tutukaka caught from a new trailer boat run by Terry Williams-King. Angler Dave Osbourne managed to land one from a double strike out wide from Home Point that went to scale at a magnificent 54 kg caught on 24 kg line. With another around 20 kg caught further north on the same day, that's two more yellowfin for this season. Is there more to come? Let us hope so.

Waihou Bay has recorded two big bass for the season 70.2 and 64 kg with one being caught by a junior angler. There are also reports of a mahimahi and a shortbill spearfish that were caught east of White Island. Also caught on the 6-1-2012 - by junior angler Andrew Randrup fishing from the family trailer boat "B-caus" who weighed in a really nice striped marlin that went 137.4 kg. A great start for the juniors and the Waihou Bay Club.

The Bay of Islands Swordfish Club just missed the first marlin double when local vessel Black Label caught a striped marlin that was boated in the afternoon of Thursday 5th (the same day as Gladiator's fish in the morning) and also from the BOISC, the charter vessel "Independence" tagged a marlin and brought in a 28.4kg shortbill spearfish.

The West Coast: Fishing out from the Manukau is starting to pick up with a double strike being reported and dropped. Albacore and skippies are there in numbers and it is only a matter of time. Most are predicting a good run of big fish like last year.

NZ Sport Fishing Council - Current Lines - JANUARY 8th 2012

Just in from Tauranga: Hot off the wires – a big black marlin is coming in. The good ship “Jan’s Decision” went out late Friday night and stayed at Mayor Island for an early start on Saturday, Three likely lads woke up to 20 knot winds and rising conditions. Needless to say they decided to head in and then it happened. Trolling back into 80 ms and the big fish showed on the lure which was promptly eaten, hooked up and went ballistic. Angler Beni Hafahu set to work and 2 hours later the call was that it had died on them and a 20 minute slug fest followed....using the swell and max pressure on their Tiagra 80W they lifted the fish inch by inch ‘til it popped up and the boys got to appreciate the impressive black marlin lying beside their gaffs. The rest is history and the scales pulled down to 375KGs!! An excellent result for the entire team.....nicely done fullas!!

Tight lines and have a wonderful holiday and remember everything in moderation including moderation.

Editor



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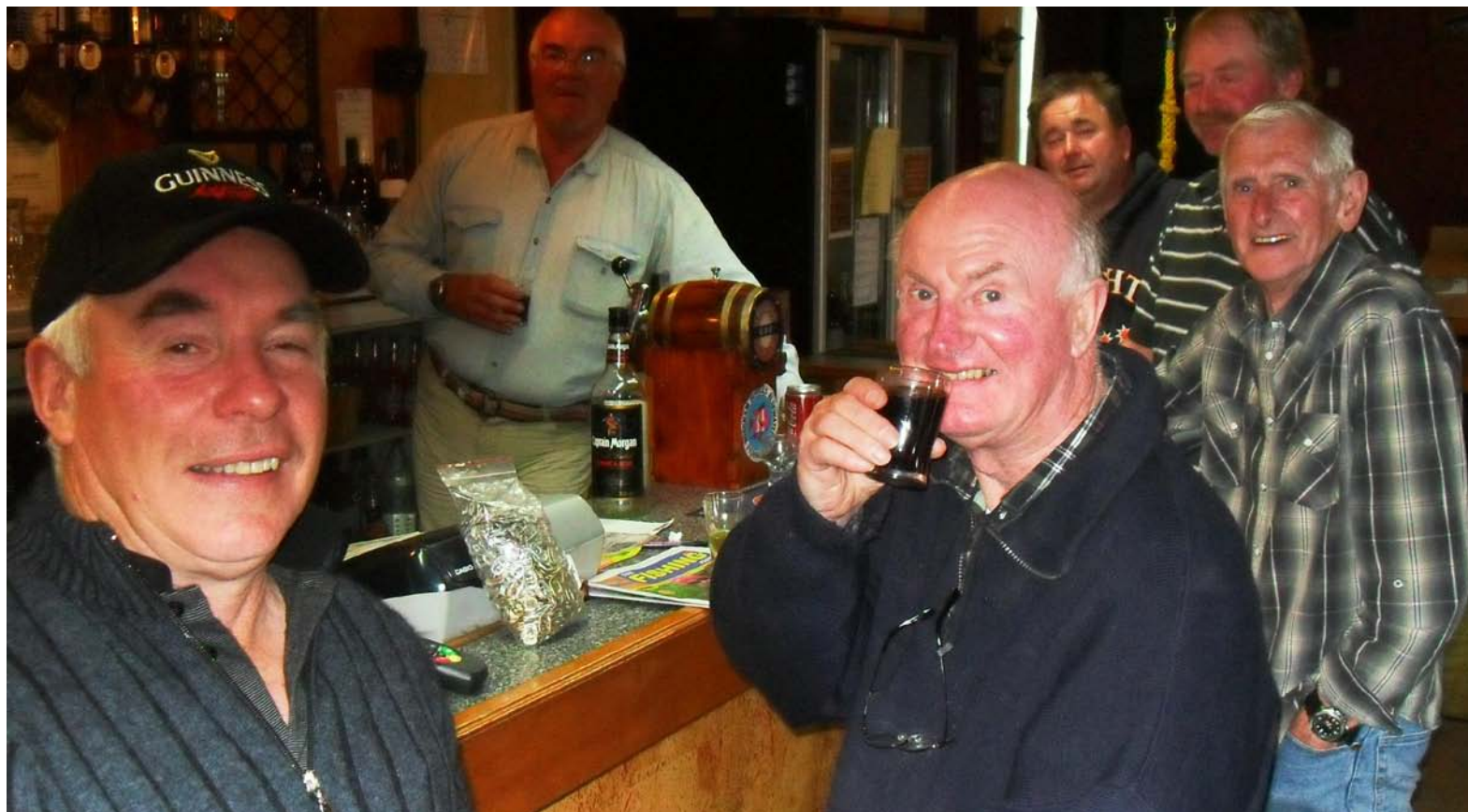
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Tackling Tuna in Tasman Bay

By Daryl Crimp

Albacore tuna are found on both the West Coast and East Coast of the South Island and this summer they are very abundant throughout Tasman Bay, providing exhilarating fishing for the growing number of recreational fishermen targeting them. They are accessible, easy to catch, put up powerful deep scything fights and when handled correctly, provide sensational eating.

While widespread, good numbers are consistently being caught around the 40m line, especially off Abel Tasman. The 'Alberts' feed throughout the day, from early morning through to evening, but the most prolific bite time is generally mid-to-late morning when the sun is high. I think this draws the bait to the surface with the tuna in hot pursuit and it's once on the surface they can be targeted by trolling lures.

Look for four indicators before commencing trolling: blue water, current line, bird activity and the odd tuna porpoising. Trolling along current lines is most productive and when you hook up, ping the gps and do so with each hook up. That way you'll soon get a picture of where the fish are congregating and while they may appear to be heading for Africa on a freight train, they are generally milling around quite a tight area.

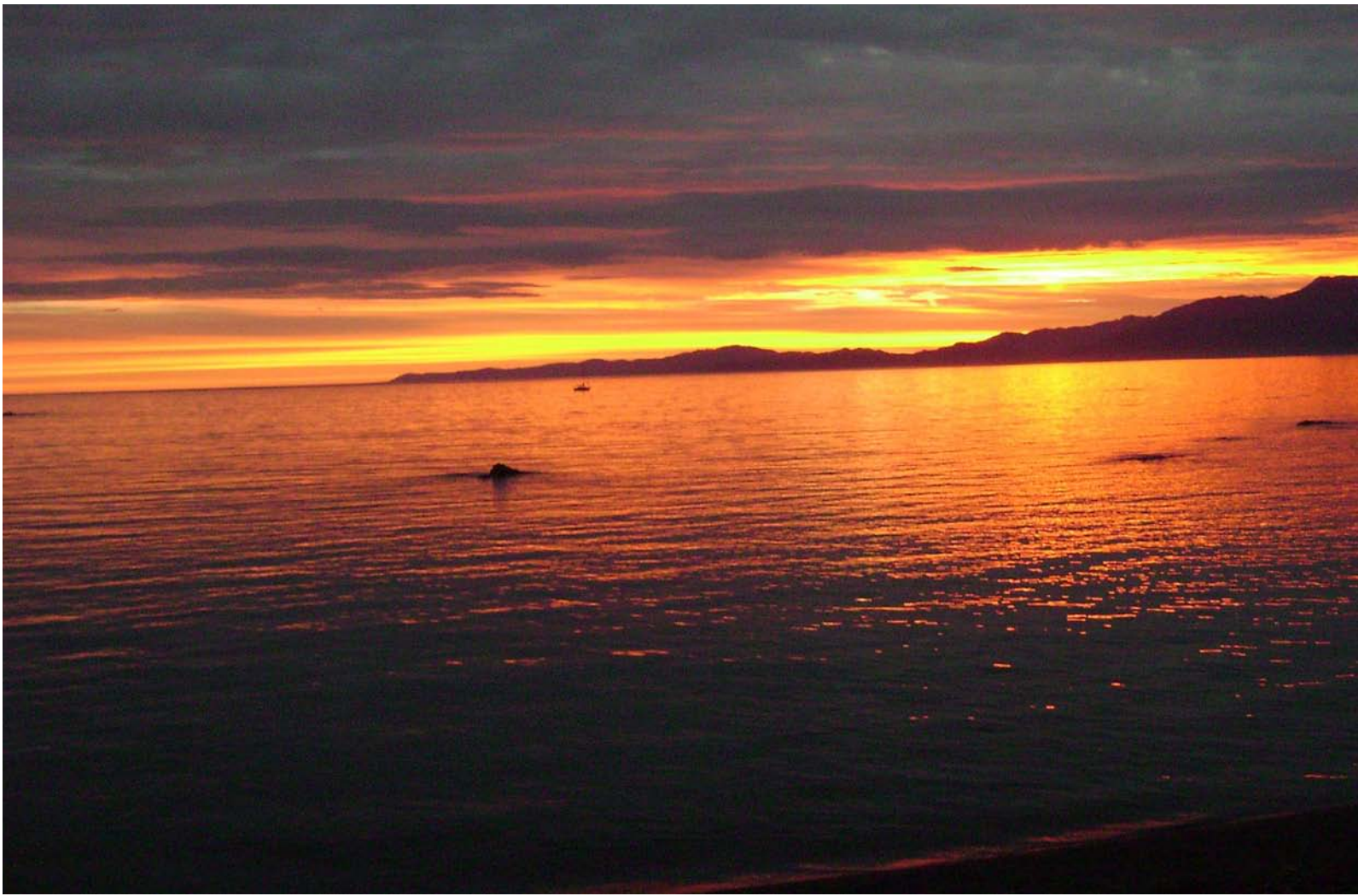


Tilt your outboard up to create a foamy wake when trolling. This simulates bait on the surface and will bring tuna up and in close. They will take just about any type of lure but the traditional surface trolled albacore lures with plastic skirts and silver heads are best. It pays to have a variety of colours on hand because on any given day you are likely to find there is a hot colour.

The trolling pattern is quite simple with the lures staggered back in a zig-zag pattern and kept quite close. I run the first lure on the edge of the outboard wash and then every five metres or so from there, with the back lure about 20m. I run four lures but you can run more if you can spread them adequately. Troll at 5-6 knots or around 8mph - I troll quicker if I'm getting a lot of tiddlers, about 11mph. If you are getting plagued by 'couta - move to another area. The two don't seem to mix that well.

Once you hook up, keep steaming for another 5-10 seconds and you may get multiple strikes. Clear the other lures and enjoy the battle.

Bleed the tuna immediately by cutting the throat and chill straight away on ice or preferably in an ice slurry.



Gone Fishin'

The weather's fine, the tides are right,
and all the time I'm wishin'
that nothing else will matter, just
as long as I'm out fishin'.

A leaky boat or rocky coast-
if it's my favourite spot-
the busy world can pass me by
when fish are runnin' hot.

And if the catch is large or small
it doesn't really matter
as long as I can eat the lot -
smoked, fresh or cased in batter.

The Great Beyond has endless seas
with no forbidden sectors,
or stormy days, or rotten luck
..... or fisheries inspectors.

The little ones that got away
(to bend my rod were tryin')
I'll say were huge – but I confess
that God will know I'm lyin'

So look for me from time to time,
and if you find me missin'
be happy that for evermore
I've only gone out fishin'.

Part of Foundation & Life Member,
Fred Mitchell's Eulogy.

Thanks to Merle Andrew
(Celebrant)

Tautuku Fishing Club Competition Calendar 2012.

22nd January – Ladies Day. Associate Members Trophy for the Day. Reserve Day 29th January.

Early February - .22 Target Shoot. Date to be confirmed.

18th to 25th February – Nationals Competition. Club Line Class Trophy fished for over this 8 Day Period.

31st March – Corbett Memorial Trophy. Angler with the most Species caught on the Day. Reserve Days - 1st , 7th, or 8th April.

April – Shot Gun Shoot. Date to be confirmed.

5th May – Mattingly Cup. Heaviest fish on the Day.

26th May – Otematata. Fresh Water Trophy. Heaviest fish caught on the Day.

1st July to 30th Sept – Winter Cup





Coutta Catch Competition & BBQ – Sunday 29th January 2012.

All Club Members are invited to enter the “Coutta Catch Competition” – FREE Entry.

1st, 2nd, 3rd & 4th Prizes.
(All “Full” Club Members, & “Life” Members).

Ladies Member Prize.	One Coutta per angler.
Associate Member Prize.	Weigh – in by 5.30pm on the day.
Social Member Prize.	The Club has available Alan Clearwater’s Launch for Children Anglers, Non Boat Owners, First Timers. Cost only \$10/Hd.
Senior Member Prize.	
Children 10 & under Prizes.	This Launch will be on the Harbour @ 12.30pm.
Children 11 – 15 Prizes.	

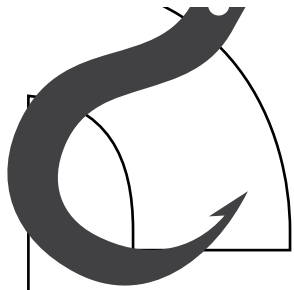
From Weigh-in 5pm onwards; a FREE BBQ for all. Drinks are @ Club Bar Prices.

Children get free drinks!

RSVP of numbers (fishing, BBQ, & Children attending): by Thursday 26th Jan

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Santa's visit & BBQ



Yes Santa had a busy time around Dunedin prior to Christmas; but he was able to 'drop in' and give his "Cheer/Goodwill" to the 40 persons that attended, & issued chocolate presents to the 10 children that were enjoying the Club Christmas BBQ. We even had some older girls; including our Patron that wanted their photo's taken on Santa's knee!!?? Fun had by all! Great range of salads and meats, drinks & presents for the children - all Free.

A "Coutta Hunt" was planned also for the day - but the weather was against us - thus "A return Coutta Hunt & BBQ" is underway on Sunday 29th January 2012.

Thanks to those that made this Christmas BBQ event happen.

A GREAT SUCCESS!



Club History.

Photos from
‘the Past’ – Club
Historian Ron
Johnston needs
YOUR HELP!

Here are some
photos of
interest.





"Fish to Beat"

Junior Trophy – Jorja Hutton – Barracouta 4.295 kg.

Blue Cod – Murray Muir – 2.850 kg.

Barracouta – Ian Gunion – 4.545 kg.

Jock Stewart – Nathan Pitcher – 1.750 kg.

Christmas Classic – Fergus Mathieson Memorial Cup –

Murray Muir – Tope 14.275 kg.

Skippers Points YTD – (Non Game Fish).

Nathan Pitcher 3 Pts.

John Millar 2 Pts.

Anthony Miller 1 Pt.

Provisional Skippers Points.

Nathan Pitcher 2 Pts.

Ian Gunion 1 Pt.

Grant Hutton 1 Pt.

No Game Fish Skippers Points as yet – The Orca crew had a sizeable Mako swimming on the surface around the Boat, 'harassing the bird life'. I clipped on a shark trace with a slab of "Jock" for bait and eventually hooked up and after about 45 minutes battling; the shark was brought to the side of the boat; where the trace was cut as close to the hook as we could. This was done as the Mako was caught on my 80 lb braid bottom gear; which meant the shark wasn't eligible for any Club Trophies. After several attempts at catching a Mako, over many Years; it was mission accomplished! This mako should still be around for the Teams fishing the Nationals. It was a good one; estimated size 120 kg! Russell Moylan.

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