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REEL NEWS FROM THE TAUTUKU FISHING CLUB



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Introducing: Mark Connor

Our New Zealand Sports Fishing Council Inc. President !!

I was born in 1960 at Styx. Mum and Dad were both from Christchurch. My wife Karen and her parents are from Kaiapoi/Rangiora. We have been married for 26 years. Today we live at Ashley on 20 acres of rolling foothills and breed a herd of red deer. The cunning plan is to make enough from the deer to fund our fishing adventures. Our business is UDU Engineering which manufactures utility and truck decks, tow bars and does certified welding. The team of 6, long term, reliable staff are what make it possible for me to serve the New Zealand Sport Fishing Council as delegate, Management Committee member and now, President.

Karen and I love our fishing and we take every opportunity we can to get on the water. Sadly our house was badly damaged in the September earthquake and we are tied up in a protracted and frustrating rebuild process at the moment so fishing has been severely dented. At the age of seven I commenced a regular thrashing of the local Styx river hunting brown trout. Then it was surfcasting at Birdling's Flat and New Brighton beach. Today, the Marlborough Sounds and Durville Island is our home patch however we have fished from Bluff to the Three Kings and have had some beaut times fishing with the Tautuku crew at the Trench and out from the Taieri Mouth. For the last



Tautuku Fishing Club



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President's CORNER

Hi,

Introducing our Children to the Sport of Fishing either along our rivers, lakes, coastline, from boats and wharves is so rewarding for the Mum's & Dad's, Grandparents and the Children alike. Once you introduce a Child to fishing, they use the skill for life. Also it helps them to provide 'for the table'. Just like teaching the art of gardening to our youth; fishing gives the satisfaction of provision of food.

Fishing above all gives enjoyment, relaxation, satisfaction and achievement. As a responsible Fishing Club we are holding various fishing events and including prizes for our Club Members Children. The 16th December starts the "Take a Kid Fishing" events. Yes it's the "Coutta Hunt" with a free BBQ back at the Club after the weigh-in. Your Club is subsidising fishing from Alan's launch the 'Nikita' and a 'Special Guest' is arriving at our 'Coutta Hunt / Christmas BBQ. Keep this Sunday date free. Salmon are on the 'run' in the Harbour at present, so the rewards could be higher. As this

"Lure" issue goes to print – two 20 pound salmon have been caught mid week – one off a boat while the other off the City Wharf !

With the warmer Months and the Fishing Season nearly upon us – make sure "Safety" on or around our waters is observed at all times. It's your responsibility to teach our children water safety also when out fishing. With water safety covered on your fishing trips the 'Fishing Fun' are always remembered! The Club has safety 'check lists' available in the Club rooms. Thanks to Warren Mathieson and Allen Hurrell for their efforts in 'cleaning' the Club Conservatory area, where numerous functions are to be held in the next few Months. Also thanks to Russell Moylan for the cleaning of the Conservatory gutters. If anyone is use to heights – the main building gutters need clearing – the large ladder is in the tractor shed. Your help would be appreciated !!!

Our Club Captain, Murray Muir has put together a interesting Christmas Classic of fishing over the Festive Season; covering Men, Ladies and Children prizes. Make sure you register with him. The 'fish to beat' fish catches; still have the ladies showing the guys how it's done! All Fun!

See you at the Club Christmas BBQ on the Sunday 16th December!
Cheers, Brett.

JUDE'S SIMPLE BLUE COD - FISH DISH!

500GMS BLUE COD.

1 TABLESPOON LEMON JUICE.

2 - 3 TOMATOES SLICED OR USE TOMATO RELISH AS A GOOD OPTION IN THE WINTER.

1 SMALL ONION.

ENOUGH GRATED CHEESE & SOFT BREAD CRUMBS TO COVER.

1 TEASPOON SALT & A 'SHAKE' OF PEPPER.

ARRANGE FISH IN OVEN PROOF DISH. PUT SLICED ONION & TOMATO OVER FISH. SPRINKLE OVER LEMON JUICE. MIX BREAD CRUMBS AND CHEESE TOGETHER AND SPRINKLE OVER THE TOP. BAKE IN A MODERATE OVEN FOR ABOUT 30 MINUTES.

VERY MOREISH!



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8 years we have travelled to Vanuatu with three other couples or the 'tight four' will steal a short tour if we can. We fish with Peter Phillips on Shogun and have been to many spots up there. Great game fishing holidays. My club is Ashley Sports Fishing Club which I have belonged to for 12 years after being on the waiting list for its first two years.

As President of the New Zealand Sport Fishing Council I am determined to maintain the proud history of our Council, built carefully over the last 57 years. I believe strongly in the voluntary advocacy model that we are striving to develop. With our nationwide network of affiliated clubs, their committees and knowledgeable delegates we can aspire to deliver well found input to a wide variety of fisheries management and marine protection matters. With the advent of our public outreach brand, **LegaSea**, we will be able to expand our advocacy, research and education projects to ensure 'more fish in the water for future generations'. We aim to rebuild our financial reserves that were so depleted to help fund the **vital Kahawai Legal Challenge**. We are very conscious of the need to cap affiliation fees and in fact reduce them when possible.



I am big supporter of the **Hiwi the Kiwi education program** that has seen 125,000 children at 480 schools experience a really stimulating show that puts fishing right up there. Roz Nelson will be sending you a notice to advise when the Minstrel is in Dunedin – I encourage all members to think about attending – you will be proud of what you witness.



Finally I would like to thank all the clubs and club members for their support of the NZSFC , with your support we can aspire to achieve a better fishing future for our children and grandchildren and provide a better fishing future for all. Thank you to all of your executive and committee members who selflessly give huge amounts of precious time to make all of this possible.

Have a safe and prosperous fishing season.
Tight lines

Mark Connor

President / Zone 7 Management Rep
New Zealand Sport Fishing Council Inc

Members of Tautuku Fishing Club Dunedin & Haast Inc – your Club is affiliated to the New Zealand Sports Fishing Council Inc. (Your Fish catch is able to be recorded as a **New Zealand Record** or a **World Record** by your membership.



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GUY FAWKES NIGHT

ACTION @ THE SAWYERS BAY HATCHERY !!!

An explosion of "Life" was liberated at the Salmon Hatchery on the 5th November. Another 22,000 Fry were released into the hatchery number two tank by HJSSC, Otago Salmon Anglers & Dunedin Community Salmon Trust members. These salmon fry will now grow to salmon smolt in the hatchery tanks, in ready for releasing into the Leith and various harbour locations next year. More salmon fry will be released into our Hatchery Tanks over the next few days. Its all go at the hatchery!



Photos from left: Tautuku Committee Member Mark Fraser releasing salmon fry into the hatchery tank. Trust Hatchery member Roger Bartlett & HJSSC member Shirley Forrester weighing the fry. Salmon Fry netted. [Get more hatchery news at: www.dunedinsalmon.com/news](http://www.dunedinsalmon.com/news)

CLUB FISHING COMPETITIONS

Keep these dates Free – Early 2013

LADIES DAY JAN 20TH RESERVE DAY JAN 27TH

SALMON COMPETITION & COUTTA HUNT - Sunday FEB 3RD PLUS - Free BBQ
(RESERVE Sunday FEB 10TH)

NZ NATIONALS MEETING 6.00PM SUN 10TH FEB

MOERAKI COMPETITION - SAT 20TH APRIL

MATTINGLY CUP MAY12TH - RESERVE MAY 19TH

Prizes to be advised

RUSSELL MOYLAN – Club Chief Weigh Master & Records Manager.



Salmon fishing in **CALIFORNIA**



Over the last few years I have done quite a bit of Salmon fishing on party boats mainly out through the Golden Gate Bridge in San Francisco.

While you meet a lot of interesting people it can be the luck of the draw if you catch your limit (2 per day) of salmon as the boats just fish until they have the boat limit that is 2 for everyone on the boat plus 2 for the skipper and deckies. The main method of fishing is with a single bent barbless hook with a pilchard threaded through and pinned through the head. The bent hook causes the pilchard to spin.

A trace then goes to a swivel and a release to which is clipped a 3 or 4lb lead ball. The salmon striking releases the ball to the ocean floor. Everyone on the boat is given the number of pulls on the line or the feet out to where the fish are. If someone in front of you on the boats pulls out too much with 10 anglers each side tangles are inevitable.

This year before I left New Zealand I made a booking for 3 of us with Captain Tim Klassen and his wife Sherry who fish the boat Reel Steel out of Eureka about 6 hours north of San

Francisco. I had been fishing with him previously but as he runs a 28ft boat with four anglers you have to book early. All we were told to bring up was lunch and fishing licences. Tim has a new boat since I last went out with him, a Farrallon with twin 225 Hondas on the back. Everything on the boat is immaculate. The gear he uses are small Avet reels loaded with braid on Shimano Trevella jig rods. Very light and powerful. He runs two down riggers and two paravanes, no lead balls.

As I travelled up to Eureka with Shen and Rudi, my American friends, the roads and traffic got smaller. We took a detour through the Valley of the Giants, a virgin stand of redwoods which once covered most of coastal California. As it was a two day charter we stayed in a motel for 2 nights. I had another friend with me, Dave from N.Z who wanted to have a look around the town. There is a lot of historical wooden buildings and the detail on them is amazing.

We arrived at the boat the first morning at 5:30am and were joined by Bill who lives in a town in the middle of the redwood forest. There was a lot of fog about but the seas were flat. The good news was it was the best salmon season in memory and they were close in.

We were only a mile or so out when we set the gear and there was instant hook up. As we're allowed 10 salmon on the boat it looked like it was going to be a short day but after 4 fish the bite stopped. We moved up the coast further after the skipper got the nod via cell phone from one of his mates.



All fish seemed to be in the 8 to 10kg range with the odd small one which we released. Shen lost a huge fish to a sea lion which started to track us for a free feed so we shifted again. I was getting heaps from the boys because I still hadn't caught a fish but on this boat when you have caught your two fish you step down so the last fisherman could end up with 4 rods to fish. I did finally manage a couple of nice fish so we were back at the wharf in sunshine about 1:30pm to be met by Sherry with freshly baked cookies. These people treat you like family.

Day two we arrived bright and early with donuts and coffee ready to slay them. There was a pea soup fog which made slow going down the harbour.

As soon as the lines went out it was game on but for some reason a lot of them came unstuck before they reached the boat. We all caught our limits in about an hour and were back at the wharf at 9:30am. This suited us because we had a long drive home.

Once again Sherry had fresh cookies which we ate while Tim cleaned the catch. We had so much fish one person could not lift the ice chest off the ground. Tim also goes after Albacore and Halibut in the salmon season and rock cod in the off season. The halibut grow to over 40kg and are pretty awesome fighters and good eating too.

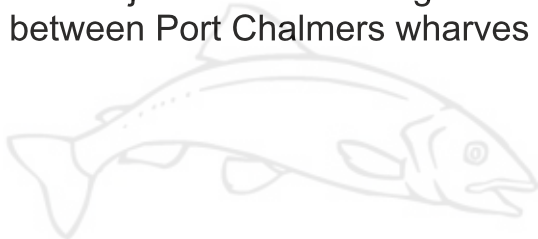
John Millar

fish to beat

Blue Cod – 3.135kg Cate Bardwell.
Jock Stewart – 1.095kg Sarah Hutton.
Salmon – 1.810kg Jorja Hutton.
Junior Trophy – Jorja (Salmon).

“The Ladies”, are showing “The Guys”
How!

Pic: Jorja’s Salmon – caught 18/11/12
between Port Chalmers wharves





London Calling?

...not for fishing !

It may have it's Big Ben, Buckingham Palace and London Eye but for ex-Dunedinite, Marcus Verberne, when it comes to fishing, there's no place like home!

On a recent visit back to Dunedin and with little time of their hands, Marcus and partner Maria headed down to the marine laboratory in Portobello to try their luck casting off the pier and their luck paid off. Marcus pulled up a 4.5 kg Brown Sea Trout which was later enjoyed by friends and family.

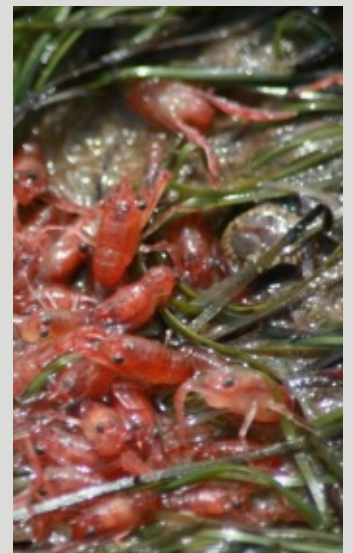
This ease of access to great fishing just can't be found back in London, where Marcus works as a Head Chef, infact the nearest he could expect similar results would be off the coast of Scotland some 8 hours away.

But this would not be the case if it were not for the hard work that goes into maintaining this resource; it is a balancing act of physical labour and environmental legislation and this is what makes Dunedin and it's harbour surrounds such a special place for the likes of Marcus and Maria to enjoy.

The efforts of clubs such as the Hens, Jacks and Sprats, supporters of the Dunedin Community Salmon Trust Inc. (www.dunedinsalmon.com) and members of the fishing community (see page 11) all help keep it alive ensuring continued fishing pleasure for now and for future generations.



'It was like pulling in a brick and had a little trouble gaffing it....then took it home and cooked it up for ten of us!'



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Hi Brett

Good to talk just now. I wish you every success with your hard work with the Dunedin Community Salmon Trust.

Yes, I am predicting a few successive years of bumper salmon recruitment and survival from this year forward. Feed quantities in the coastal seas are more prolific than since the late 1990s, especially for red lobster krill which has appeared earlier and is more prolific than for very many years. There is, of course a 2 to 3 year lag between conditions and salmon catches but, even so, this year should be better than recent years with increasing catches and fish sizes in years to come.

I look forward to your information in reply to this message.

John Jillett
Marine Scientist.
Dunedin

Hi Brett

Jorja and I went salmon fishing last night (12/11/12), & got a few strikes. But Jorja caught a nice 38cm blue cod right in the Dunedin Harbour; just by Ravensbourne!!

There were heaps of krill in the harbour as well.
Cheers

Grant Hutton



CLUB "COUTTA" HUNT & Christmas BBQ Sunday 16th December 2012



Weigh-in 5-6pm - one Coutta per person. Men/Ladies/Junior & Children Classes
Everyone gets a Prize!

If you wish to 'come on board' the Nikita for the 'Coutta Hunt', cost per person is \$10. The Club will subsidise the balance. "Take your Child Fishing" Notify Brett @ 4557592 if interested.

If the weather is against fishing - the Christmas BBQ will still be On. As Santa has a 'tight schedule' this Year!. This BBQ is 'Free' to Members & Families. Please indicate number of children, & grand children attending, to Sarah Paterson PH: 027 2184940 Sarah.Paterson@orc.govt.nz

Drinks are free for the Children & there will be a small gift from Santa. Gig Music by our Band "Super Glue". Giving the makings of a GREAT TIME!





Ministry of

Fisheries

Te Tautiaki i nga tini a Tangaroa

QUINNAT SALMON FISHING

Regulations:

1. **No person** shall take quinnat salmon by any method other than a rod and running line (ie, set netting prohibited).
2. **No person** shall be in possession of any quinnat salmon taken in contravention of clause (1) of these regulations.
3. **No person** fishing for quinnat salmon shall be in possession or have control over more than one assembled rod and running line.

A second rod and running line can also be used to jig for sprat or other bait fish so long as any salmon taken on that rod and running line are returned to the water immediately.

4. **No person** shall use a rod and running line to take quinnat salmon unless that person is within 15 metres of the rod and has the rod under visual observation.
5. **No person** shall in any one day take more than two quinnat salmon from the South East Fishery Management Area. (This includes the Otago Harbour.)
6. **No person** shall take or possess any quinnat salmon that is less than 45 cm in length from the waters of the Otago Harbour.
7. These regulations shall apply only to the taking of quinnat salmon and the possession of quinnat salmon taken from areas that are not within an acclimatisation district. (The waters within 500 metres of the Leith are deemed to be within an acclimatisation district).

NB: These regulations are quoted from the Fisheries (Amateur Fishing) Regulations 1986 and the Fisheries (South-East Area Amateur Fishing) Regulations 1986.

Current Lines 23rd November 2012

No longer are we singing “**It’s raining again,**” but “**Let the good times roll.**” As we get closer to the start of yet another great sport fishing season let’s remember those famous words from the old Hill Street Blues program “Let’s be careful out there.”

A LINE OR TWO FROM PL - With the longer warmer days upon us, it’s good to SEA all you keen fishermen out and about using your boats! Congratulations to Terry Creagh, a new member of the Albany Sportfishing Club for being the October PL winner of the “Flight Jacket” Cleaning / Polishing Kit. All PL accounts registered in October as a NZ Sport Fishing Member went into the draw. Those of you who have completed your applications since have been entered in the November draw for another one! Don’t miss out! Still time! Great discounts for members on fuel cards and NZ Sport Fishing benefits as well which FLOWS back to the members. Your clubs have the forms and information or phone us on 0800 42 83 83 or visit our website www.petroileumlogistics.co.nz. Congratulations also to Clyde Fraser the member from the Waihou Bay Sports Fishing Club mentioned in the last Current Lines for his “Good Sport” award. Sounds like he went the extra mile! And we thought after having a close encounter with the transom he deserved a coffee on us! If you have any feedback about our company and / or service (good or bad), we would like to hear from you so please feel free to DROP ME A LINE – admin@petroleumlogistics.co.nz . Happy Fishing. Claire Williams & the Team at PL

From Waihou Bay - Stolen Rods and Reels - 4 Shimano Tiagra 80w Reels. 2 x 37kg Composite Rods with leather fore grips and removable aluminium butts. 2 x 37 – 60 kg Shakespeare Ugly Stick Rods also with removable aluminium butts. Stolen from Hamilton. If you have any information regarding this gear please phone Mark Cameron 07 853 2412 sharkandjill@xtra.co.nz

From Doubtless Bay - New Gantry– the new weigh station gantry is now complete and ready for use. Many thanks to Far North ITM for supplying the poles and other materials, and also to John Roy Contracting for the post holes and putting the poles in place. The gantry is high enough to drive a vehicle and trailer boat underneath and weigh large fish directly from the boat. We hope it will be put to good use this year.

Reel Rods Fishing Report – the weather seems to be improving (at times!), letting people get out more than they have been doing in the past few months. And a few good fish are starting to show up. In the last 6 weeks there have been quite a few Slender Tuna being caught up to about 9 kg that have been brought into the shop. They have been caught on jigs at 100m off Matai Bay, out at the Garden Patch and also seen at the Shallow Patch and by Puheke, with the odd school of Skipjack showing up as well. So let’s hope it’s a sign of a good game season coming up.

While we are all thinking about the up-coming festive season, fishing season, and are in holiday mode please don’t forget the NZSFC premier “Nationals 2013” event fast approaching and just around the proverbial corner; MARK THESE DATES “DO NOT MISS” Saturday 16th – Saturday 23rd February for the best eight days fishing you can ever think of having. Mark these words “by the 23-02-2013 I became a NZ champion”.

The perfect gift - Crikey four weeks to go and I don’t know what to give (the other significant other). Any ideas? What better than a LEGASEA gift to those you love and cherish, give them the gift of a life time, go to www.legasea.co.nz and take it from there.



Office of Hon Kate Wilkinson

MP for Waimakariri

Minister of Conservation

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25 OCT 2012

Ken Sims
Executive Member
New Zealand Federation of Freshwater Anglers (Inc)
8 Rose Place
Awapuni
Palmerston North 4412

Dear Ken

Thank you again for meeting me on 20 August 2012 to present the NZ Federation of Freshwater Anglers' views on the need for the Trout Import Prohibition.

You will be pleased to hear that the Government has decided to extend the import prohibition for a further three years. This recognises that our wild trout fishery is of considerable cultural and recreational importance for New Zealanders and provides significant benefits for tourism and local economies.

The Customs Import Prohibition (Trout) Order 2010 will now not expire until 7 November 2015.

Yours sincerely

Hon Kate Wilkinson
Minister of Conservation



FERGUS MEMORIAL XMAS CLASSIC

This will run from Boxing day to Sunday,
January 6th 2013

Heaviest FISH

\$100 Cash and a prize yet to be determined
Winner will also receive cup and miniature at
prize giving !

\$50.00 Bar Tabs

For the following heaviest species
Groper , Blue cod, trumpeter, Jock Stewart,
salmon and cutta
Skippers points also up for grabs

Prize \$50 Cash

For heaviest fish weighed in by a junior

Prize \$50 Cash

For heaviest fish weighed in by lady (full or
associate member)

Please register with Murray Muir by phoning 4558808 , 021
481479 or Russell Moylan

Prior to going fishing , you only have to register once.
Myself , Russell or any weigh master can weigh your fish

FINAL WEIGH IN and PRIZE GIVING will be 6.00pm,
Sunday 6th January

Hens, Jacks and Sprats Supporters Club Children's Day @ the Salmon Hatchery



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