

Southern Zone

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COCK O' THE WALK RESULTS ... MARCH 2011

CAPTURES : HEAVIEST

SPECIES	WHT	LINE	S/J	ANGLER	BOAT	CLUB	PTS
MARLIN							
Striped	126.0	37	S/M	Larry Barnes	Mayhem	Ulladulla	5
Striped	125.2	24	S/M	David Scott	Bar Z Open	Batemans Bay	4
Striped	83.1	24	S/M	Rodd Jones	Opportunatee	Batemans Bay	3
Striped	83.0	15	S/M	Mitchell Allen	Hang Loose	Jervis Bay	2
Striped	82.5	15	S/M	Mark Halling	Anticipation	Shellharbour	1
SHARK							
Tiger	177.5	15	S/M	Trent Killmore	Reckless	Shellharbour	5
Mako	123.8	24	S/M	Dan Woods	Childs Play	Ulladulla	4
Mako	113.5	15	S/M	Darrell Brisbane	Relentless	Shellharbour	3
Mako	92.0	15	S/M	Trent Killmore	Reckless	Shellharbour	2
Mako	83.6	15	S/M	Tim Leather	Childs Play	Ulladulla	1
TUNA							
OGF							

CAPTURES : MOST MERITORIOUS

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CAPTURE POINTS FOR MONTH

Shellharbour	28
Ulladulla	14
Batemans Bay	13
Jervis Bay	5

TAG & RELEASE POINTS FOR MONTH

"Opportunatee"	Batemans Bay	130500	5
"Shot Gun"	Batemans Bay	30000	4
"Wicked One"	Batemans Bay	30000	3
"Mayhem"	Ulladulla	25500	2
"Little Devil"	Batemans Bay	23024	1

PROGRESSIVE CAPTURE POINTS 2010-2011

Shellharbour	145
Batemans Bay	115.5
Ulladulla	63
Shoalhaven	42
Canberra	28
Jervis Bay	16
Kiama	8
Narooma	7
Bermagui	5

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Batemans Bay	35
Bermagui	19
Shoalhaven	15
Jervis Bay	14
Shellharbour	12
Ulladulla	12
Canberra	9
Kiama	7
Merimbula	4
Eden	4

Well done to all those who participated in the Southern Zone Interclub. The weather was not fantastic but then that's something we cannot control. I believe Gonzo got out the iced vo-vos and a pot of tea and contemplated his navel in Ulladulla. Not so young Willis from Batemans Bay who tagged his first Marlin on the Saturday and was raring to go again. Fantastic effort and it was great to have the small fry and juniors out there.

Wonderful to see a recapture of a Yellowfin tagged on "Wicked One" 27.5.07 of Batemans Bay and recaptured off Papua New Guinea 28.10.10. This fish had travelled a straight line distance of 1462 nautical miles in over three years. Not only is the tagging programme benefiting the science of fishing it is also terrific to get the feedback on recaptures for our anglers.

Just back from the Eden GFC tournament where we had 43 boats and it was great. Two days of perfect weather and the last was rather shonky but the majority still went out. The race was on with the Kingie tagging tally and it was very close. There was also one Shortbilled Spearfish tagged on "Snappy Tom" and one Marlin on "Mighty Dragon" to a young man who was having his first real stint of game fishing. A record breaking Blue Marlin was captured and a nice Yellowfin.

There seems to be a plethora of Blues around at the moment as there were a number dropped and I heard a few being tagged around Batemans Bay, Ulladulla, Kiama and up Sydney way.

Kiama's tournament was also on this past weekend and from the report sent out it appears that it was another success with 25 boats. It is a shame that Sydney GFC has a tournament the same weekend which obviously effects their numbers. As was the case down at Eden, the Blue Marlin were prolific and there were some very nice captures as well a tags and most boats saw some action. No doubt all this will be reflected in the next months batch of returns.

Of course the Canberra Yellowfin Tournament is next on the list in May at Bermagui and I know they would welcome as many boats from our Zone as possible. It's always a great event and there is a fabulous Haines Hunter fully rigged boat with engine and trailer being offered as the major lucky angler prize which is not to be sneezed at.

Stay safe and enjoy your fishing.
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