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E-news from the ANSA NSW Committee

Hi ANSA NSW Members,

Just a short update on what has been happening at the ANSA NSW State level over the past few months.

AGM and Presentation Night

Things have kicked down a gear as we come off our AGM and Presentation that was held in Canberra recently, with the committee taking a well earned breather after the often hectic and chaotic scenes that usually accompany the planning and implementation of the day. Many thanks to Canberra SFC for hosting the event and especially to Darren Hossack and Shane Jasprizza for doing most of the leg work. The day and nights festivities were flawless, with some members celebrating until midnight with the odd drink, dance and sing along.

The AGM and Delegates meeting went according to plan, with presentations from the NSW Committee to the Delegates and some positive debate on a few issues that the NSW Committee will be addressing at its next meeting. The main concern was the timing of the 12 Month Competition results, but that will hopefully be addressed by the time next year comes around.

Yanko has posted the Annual Reports and attachments to the clubs that did not get a chance to attend the meeting and the entire annual report is on the ANSA NSW website at www.ansansw.com.au/attachments/ANSAAnnualReport0607.pdf

All told 80 people made the trip into Canberra for the presentation, with a host of prizes donated by Fish Therapy in Sydney and Tackle World in Canberra on offer. I reckon almost everyone won a prize. A top

night that capped off a great years fishing for ANSA NSW members

The Girls from Canberra clean up



Greg Clarke was our well deserved Most Versatile Angler



And finally the guys from Canberra do it again, winning the lucky door prize.



RECFISH Next Generation of Leaders

Mark Holland and Shane Jasprizza were selected by RECFISH to attend the Next Generation of Leaders and represented ANSA at last week’s event.

The program, funded by the Australian government’s Recreational fishing Community Grant Program (RFCGP) was held in the Northern Territory. 19 participants attended from 7 states and territories. RECFISH was very confident that these aspiring new leaders have a great deal to offer into the future.

RECFISH selected these people to ensure they have the opportunity to contribute to the development and success of recreational fishing in Australia.

The participants were put through some experiential learning activities and challenged to work together. A number of opportunities were identified and RECFISH will now work with the participants.

I know the boys had two days fishing as a wind down after the event and I have been told that they had a great time at the resort, based at Crab Claw Island in the NT.



Shane Jasprizza on the left and Mark Holland on the right.

I am also aware that the Recreational Fishing Alliance has been awarded a grant to run a similar program in NSW next year, so I am asking all NSW ANSA Clubs to think about nominating an aspiring leader from your own club. Just let us know.

Grey Nurse Sharks

RECFISH has been advised by the Australian Government’s Attorney General’s Department that their request for a review of their application for

financial assistance in the AAT case has been rejected. They therefore now need to rely upon the NSW Trust for further financial assistance. RECFISH have asked NSW Trust for a total amount of \$53,842 however legislative changes need to be made to allow for the Minister to approve this. How long this will take is unknown and if the application is approved is also an unknown.

If the NSW Trust application is forthcoming the total cash outlay for RECFISH Australia will be \$20,688. If it is not the total outlay for Recfish Australia will be \$74,530.

RECFISH has very limited cash reserves and if we are left with a total cost of about \$75k it will stretch the organisation to its utmost

ANSA National and ANSA NSW have contributed to the cause, so have South Sydney AFA, St George SFC and The Fishing Site Sportfishers Club. Has your club?

Whilst not wanting to pressure ANSA NSW clubs to assist, RECFISH has gone into bat for us based on a lot of pressure that ANSA placed on them to act on all our behalf.

I know it is a big ask but is it possible for you to go to your respective organisations and see if there is some prospect of additional financial support for the case?

All the details and evidence sits on the www.greynurseshawk.com.au website that we have set up. So have a look if you can help.



Cheers

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