AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL SPORTFISHING ASSOCIATION NSW BRANCH

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Incorporating Sportfishing NSW & NEWTAG

Founding Member of the Recreational Fishing Alliance of NSW

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ANSA NSW Branch Executive and Committee 2007/2008

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VICE PRESIDENT John Burgess South Sydney AFA

SECRETARY Yanko Serifi Wollongong SFC

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ANSA NSW Life Members

Badge 1	Dick Lewers	Badge 2	Pat Hunter
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Badge 5	Bob Dunn (Dec'd)	Badge 6	Geoff Hawkins
Badge 7	Mark McKinnirey	Badge 8	Gary Wade
Badge 9	Bill Harvey		

History Of ANSA NSW Branch

On the 12th August, 1967, - Steering Committee was formed consisting of the following people:

PRESIDENT John Bethune

SECTRETARY/

TREASURER John Erskine

PUBLICITY Dick Lewers

Ψ On the 4th May 1968 – The NSW Branch of ANSA was formed with the following office bearers:

PRESIDENT John Bethune

VICE PRESIDENT Dick Lewers

SECTRETARY Don Brooks

TREASURER Hank Newman

 ψ On the 13th November 1968, the St George Sportfishing Club became the first ANSA NSW affiliated club.

W On the 8th October 1986, ANSA NSW Branch became incorporated.

 Ψ On the 12th February 2000 ANSA NSW Branch became one of the founding members of the Recreational Fishing Alliance of NSW.

Ψ 2007 ANSA celebrates 40 years.

ANSA NSW Branch Past Office Bearers

YEAR	PRESIDENT	VICE PRESIDENT	SECRETARY	TREASURER
1969	J Bethane	R Lewers	R Lent	R Lent
1970	R Allen	R Lewers	R Lent	R Lent
1971	R Allen	R Dunn	R Horne	R Horne
1972	R Dunn	F Phillips	R Horne	R Horne
9 TH June, 1973 sa	aw the Association	adjourned for 2 years		
1976	R Dunn	F Phillips	W Harvey	W Harvey
1978	R Dunn	F Phillips	W Harvey	W Harvey
1980	R Dunn	W Harvey	B Ray	T Botham
1982	B Ray	R Brinkworth	T Redman	E Davis
1984	G Hawkins	M McKinnirey	K Bennett	E Davis
1986	G Hawkins	H Newman	K Bennett S Church U Mitchell	E Davis
1988	G Hawkins	M McKinnirey	S Church G Hawkins U Mitchell	G Wade
1990	G Hawkins	S Church	U Mitchell	G Wade
1992	W Harvey	M McKinnirey	J Scott	S Livgst
1994	W Harvey	M McKinnirey	G Wade	B Lloyd
1996	G Wade	W Harvey	Y Serifi	J Burgess
1997	D Shearing	W Harvey	Y Serifi	J Burgess
1998	D Shearing	W Harvey	Y Serifi	J Burgess
1999	D Shearing	W Harvey	Y Serifi	J Burgess
2000	D Shearing	W Harvey	Y Serifi	J Burgess
2001	W Harvey	J Burgess	Y Serifi	J Burgess
2002	W Harvey	J Burgess	Y Serifi	J Burgess
2003	L. Waldock	J Burgess	Y. Serifi	J Burgess
2004	L. Waldock	J Burgess	Y. Serifi	J Burgess
2005	L. Waldock	J Burgess	I. Phillips	J Burgess
2006	L. Waldock	J Burgess	I. Phillips	J Burgess
2007	S. Konstantaras	J Burgess	Y. Serifi	S. Jasprizza
2008	S. Konstantaras	J Burgess	Y. Serifi	S. Jasprizza

President's Message

Dear Members.

What a great year it has been.

I say that with the knowledge that this has probably been one of the busiest and most productive years I have been associated with over the past decade. It has seen ANSA NSW lift its profile to new heights, not only with regard to its award winning and life saving angel ring project but with regard to the elevation of its profile within the State and Federal Government arena. It has also seen new and significant lines of communication being opened with all the relevant government agencies. Not a week goes past without a committee member being approached formally or informally for comment and input into fisheries management issues, angler advocacy and angler representation or fisheries research. It is often said amongst the committee that we have "created a monster", yet we were always aware that presenting ourselves in a professional manner when dealing with government would have its benefits. This has not detracted from our No1 objective at ANSA NSW- our members. On this note it is refreshing to see our second year of growth. We have all reaped the benefits of all the hard yards that the committee put in with new members joining us daily.

This annual report gives the committee an opportunity to showcase what they do throughout the year and this year we have been busy.

We have had new clubs come on board, financially we are on track, the masters and records are working well, membership is up and the team who manage the angel rings are getting close to their 100 angel ring objective. Without stealing too much of the committees thunder, all the crew has done an exceptional job at steering ANSA NSW over the past year. Just by reading the annual report will give you some insight into what is involved. Admittedly it is time consuming, but rewarding at every turn.

I intend to keep this short and sweet and not detract from the committee reports. The standard and quality of these reports will definitely open a few eyes. These encompass 12 hard months of constant work for the team. I would like to collectively thank them for the job they have done over the past year and to thank them for the unwavering support since the last election two years ago. This year is an election year and I would like to thank Darren Hossack for the past 4 years of keeping our records updated. His job of recorder was one of the most crucial links in keeping the well oiled machine running, with the amount of data entry and updates churned out by his computer a credit to him. A heart felt thanks to him as he is retiring from the committee to go fishing!

Take the time to read the annual report and consider the amount of work that is involved in keeping your association on track.

My job is relatively easy and it's the committee that does all the housekeeping. All I do is tell them what needs doing and they listen.....sometimes!

Cheers

Stan Konstantaras

President ANSA NSW

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Vice Presidents Report

This has been an extremely busy and challenging year for ANSA at both a Branch and National level. One of the major challenges confronting ANSA has been the need to radically bring the ANSA Rule book into the 21st century to reflect the changing needs of our membership base and to recognise the change in fishing styles and technologies that have occurred over the past decade. Also to be consistent with ANSA's strong and positive conservation ethos it was timely that we introduced a new suite of rules and regulations to encourage competitions with emphasis on capture and release and the use of fishing tackle in a manner that will minimise environmental impact. A special mention of thanks is extended to those members of NSW Branch who played a vital part in developing and refining the many changes that were finally agreed upon at the ANSA National Board and Branch Delegates meeting held in June 2008. By now all clubs should have received sufficient rule books to see them through until 2012 when the next review of the Rule book falls due. There is certainly future scope for expansion of the length only records and masters competitions and we will keep this under review having regard to member participation and feedback.

Another of the more challenging and pleasing outcomes was the successful outcome of the Grey Nurse Shark case before the Administrative Appeals Tribunal. A special mention of thanks is due to Recfish Australia which took up the defence against the spurious claims by the Nature Conservation Council that the GNS population was doomed for extinction unless all forms of fishing were banned along much of the Australian east coast. I attended the Tribunal hearings during their entirety and it was a touch and go battle between the legal teams for both sides. Fortunately it was a victory for common sense at conclusion of the proceedings when the Tribunal ruled against the Nature Conservation Council. None the less a very convincing case was made that the GNS population is very small in number and under extreme threat from a wide range of activities (not just fishing) and it was essential that extensive research be undertaken to gain a better and informed understanding of the grey nurse shark dilemma. One positive aspect arising from the Tribunal outcome was a commitment by the Commonwealth to fund ongoing research into GNS population and mortality issues. I recently attended the first of these research workshops and was encouraged by the spirit of cooperation between all parties to engage in new forms of research technology such as photo identification and DNA analysis to get a more realistic and scientifically robust estimate of GNS numbers than has been the case in the past. While it is fair to say that the often quoted east coast GNS population number of 300 -500 has been debunked by these new sciences, the consensus of scientific opinion remains that the population is small and under threat. ANSA will continue to engage in the GNS research and conservation debate.

It deserves mention that Recfish incurred considerable expense in defending the GNS case. Legal costs associated with the defence were in the vicinity of \$130000 of which about \$55000 was covered by donations from various supporters including ANSA, ANSA Qld and NSW, ANSA clubs and individual ANSA members. Again a special note of thanks is extended to all who dug into their pockets to support Recfish with this financial burden – which I might emphasise could have been ANSA's burden had we chosen to take up the defence in our own right.

While on the topic of Recfish it is pleasing to see that Len Olyott has taken on the role of CEO following the decision by John Harrison to stand down and pursue other interests. John did a commendable job under difficult circumstances and the road

ahead for Len and Recfish will not be any easier with the Commonwealth declining to provide a commitment for ongoing long term financial support of Recfish and also curtailing the Recreational Fishing Community Grants programme. It is somewhat ironic that while the Government's policy is to recognise Recfish as the only legitimate peak recreational fishing body it is not prepared to see it properly funded to do the job required of it. Hopefully the Government will have a change of heart as it settles into office and recognises the importance of having a vibrant and well resourced body such as Recfish effectively pursuing a representative role for all recreational fishers. I will be attending the Recfish AGM in October and a major topic for discussion will be the securing of future funding and the need for constitutional change to encourage a broader membership base.

The Commonwealth's decision to cut back its financial commitment to recreational fishing will also impact negatively upon ANSA and its various projects especially its highly acclaimed Angel Ring and Rock Fishing Safety projects. These projects are not cheap to run and rely substantially on Government patronage at National and State levels. It is our hope that the Government continues to recognise the valuable work these projects achieve in saving lives and the need for these projects to be expanded and rolled out across the Nation. You can do your bit to assist by raising your concerns with your local MP.

Another casualty of the Government cut back on expenditure has been the agreement reached between the commercial and recreational sectors (ANSA, GFAA, AFTA & Recfish) for a resource sharing arrangement which would have seen longliners restricted from shooting their lines inside the 400 metre isobath and mandatory for all lines to be retrieved before they drifted into the 200 meter isobath. This agreement which has been the subject of intense negotiation over many years would have applied across the entire ETBF zone (SE Qld down to Southern NSW) and would have been of enormous benefit to our marlin and tuna fisheries. Unfortunately the commercial sector has now withdrawn from the agreement citing the Commonwealth's decision to withdraw a \$750000 funding package that was earmarked for compensation and research initiatives which were integral to the agreement. This is a frustrating setback for everybody and we will continue to do what we can to convince the Government to change its position and resume early dialogue with the commercial sector.

In closing it seems that the coming year will present a whole new range of challenges for ANSA at a State and Branch level and we will be as busy as ever. There will continue to be ongoing issues over the adequacy and availability of boat ramps and boating facilities generally and the contentious issue of restricted fishing access to our favoured locations as a consequence of ongoing pressure by the National / Marine Park Authorities, other Government agencies and the growing number of conservation groups that have little time for recreational fishing. Thanks again to all of those on the ANSA NSW and National Executive for the hard work that has been put in over the past year and be prepared for another tumultuous year ahead.

John Burgess

Vice President ANSA NSW.

Executive Officer / Director ANSA National.

Secretary's Message

To all the members of the Association, welcome to your Annual Report of the NSW Branch.

The Branch as a whole looks financially healthy. Income for the year was \$16620.55. Expenditure for the year was \$15259.07. Our forecast budget of \$250.00 surplus for 2007/2008 was an actual surplus of \$1361.48. Refer to the Treasurer's report for a more detailed account over the last 12 months.

Membership, the Branch at present represents 33 clubs consisting of 1195 members. Our direct membership branch club, Sportfishing NSW, has 23 members. Refer to Membership Report for more detail.

12 Month Competition entries were 220 for the year. Well up on last year of 161. This accounted for 11 clubs and 73 members. Refer to Recorder's Report for more detail.

Masters Claims for the last 12 months have been 13. Congratulations to all members that received their Masters over the last 12 months. Refer to Masters Keeper's Report for more detail.

Tagging, Catch and Release. Stan continued to perform an outstanding job. Well done Stan!

Club liaison continues to be an important portfolio and tool for keeping members informed. Well done to Joe Garufi. Check out the website on www.ansawnsw.com.au Tightlines continued to be an important communication tool with plenty of editions through out the year. Refer to Joe's report for further reading.

The Angel Ring Project continues to be a success. With more lives saved. The project continues to receive good publicity and funding. Refer to Stan's report for further reading.

I would like to finish by saying thank you to my fellow Committee and Members for your support over the last 12 months and for giving me the opportunity in serving you and ANSA.

Tight Lines!

Yanko Serifi

ANSA NSW Secretary/ Public Officer

Treasurer's Report

Welcome to me second report as Treasurer of ANSA NSW. It's been a good year for us financially and the financial statements for the 2007-08 financial year are appended to this report.

The ANSA NSW Branch remains in a sound position, with a bank balance of \$20,913.33. The operating result for the period was a surplus of \$1,361.48, against a budgeted surplus of \$250.00. Main contributors to the result were:

- a) Revenue in line with Budget, helped by growth in membership income, but offset by lower than expected income from website sponsorship;
- b) Savings on Sundries, Capital Expenditure and our Columbia shirt promotion, all of which may catch up next year;
- c) John negotiating a better insurance deal;
- d) Our AGM, delegates meeting and Presentation dinner run at no cost to ANSA NSW (apart from the usual trophies and awards).

These savings were offset by higher than expected costs for our website and general running costs like postage, printing and phone expenses, which is reflected in (I believe) a greater visibility and level of communication with our members. Membership payments to ANSA National were higher, due to our increased membership.

The Main Angel Rings project account, funded out of the license trust, was wound up in 2007-08 with all money expended. Funding from the Recreational Fishing Community Grants Programme (RFCGP) has been used to continue the vital work on installing and maintaining Angel Rings. The RFCGP also provided funds for the construction and fit-out of the Angel Rings trailer, which hopefully some of you have seen out on the job promoting ANSA and the Angel Rings project.

The Police project had some significant expenditure during the year and is approaching the roll-out phase. Financial statements for these projects for 2007-08 are appended to this report. These projects are covered further by the President in his Angel Rings report.

Finally, I have prepared a budget for the 2008-09 year which is based on a further increase in membership, which I believe will be possible with some smart promotion of the revised ANSA Rulebook and the new All-Tackle Masters and National Record categories. It is up to all of us to strive to continue the growth of ANSA NSW, which in the end will benefit us all.

Cheers

Shane Jasprizza Treasurer ANSA NSW

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Comparative Financial Statements as at 30 June 2008

BALANCE SHEET			
	2007-08	2006-07	2005-06
Accumulated Funds			
Balance as at 1 July	\$19,552.85	\$23,183.45	\$20,732.47
Current years (deficit)/surplus	\$1,361.48	(\$3,630.60)	\$2,450.98
Balance as at 30 June	\$20,914.33	\$19,552.85	\$23,183.45
Represented By			
Fixed Assets (written down value)	\$1.00	\$1.00	\$1.00
Cash at Bank	\$20,913.33	\$19,551.85	\$23,182.45
Total Assets	\$20,914.33	\$19,552.85	\$23,183.45
INCOME & EXPENDITURE STATEMENT			
Income			
Affiliation Fees	\$16,033.00	\$15,066.00	\$15,834.00
Masters/Badges/Records	\$40.00	-	\$329.00
Website Advertising	\$400.00	\$1,000.00	-
Bank Interest	\$147.55	\$159.08	\$151.70
Total Income	\$16,620.55	\$16,225.08	\$16,314.70
Expenditure			
General Administration			
National Affiliation Fees paid	\$8,076.00	\$7,778.00	\$8,310.00
Incorporation & Licence Fees	\$167.00	\$43.00	\$41.00
Insurances	\$2,286.07	\$2,323.32	\$2,438.21
Postage/Stationery	\$940.52	\$766.17	\$460.85
Phone/Fax	\$596.65	\$220.00	\$643.10
Travel/Meetings	\$370.05	\$531.46	\$283.91
	\$12,436.29	\$11,661.95	\$12,177.07
Competition/Promotions			
Badges/Certificates/Trophies	\$759.20	\$847.50	\$746.85
Promotions	\$130.58	\$1,758.03	\$94.00
New Tag expenses			
	\$889.78	\$2,605.53	\$840.85
Sundries	•	•	
Website registration/Computer Software	\$1,095.00	\$1,510.00	-
Recreational Fishing Alliance M'ship	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$200.00
Austag Report Contibution	-	-	\$360.80
AGM Subsidy/(Surplus)	\$0.00	\$980.00	\$285.00
Sundries	\$638.00	\$1,398.20	-
Contribution to AAT GNS Case	-	\$1,500.00	-
	\$1,933.00	\$5,588.20	\$845.80
Total Expenditure	\$15,259.07	\$19,855.68	\$13,863.72
Net Surplus/(Deficit) for Year	\$1,361.48	(\$3,630.60)	\$2,450.98

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Angel Ring Project Account as at 30 June 2008

Opening Bank Balance 1/7/07 Cr \$1,543.57

Less:

 Project admin
 \$1,479.99

 Website & Internet
 \$737.21

 Telephone
 \$720.93

 Travel
 \$570.00

 Multicultural materials
 \$0.00

 Rings & materials
 \$0.00

 Cofeta a review and \$ size and \$

Safety equipment & signage \$0.00 \$3,508.13

Add:

Interest \$232.20

Reimbursement - Lifesaving Victoria \$1,732.36 \$1,964.56

Closing Bank Balance 30/06/08 Cr \$0.00

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Police Project Account as at 30 June 2008

Opening Balance 1/07/07 Cr \$26,380.00

Less:

Project Admin \$163.00
Travel Expenses \$126.00
Rings & Materials \$12,855.70

Training Materials \$6,720.00 **\$19,864.70**

Add:

nil

Closing Balance 30/06/08 Cr \$6,515.30

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RFCGP Project Account as at 30 June 2008

Opening Balance 1/07/07 Cr \$47,760.00

Less:

 Project admin
 \$8,676.69

 Trailer expenses
 \$29,725.82

 Travel
 \$307.84

 Rings & materials
 \$0.00

Safety signage \$1,584.00 \$40,294.35

Add:

Bank Interest \$103.74

Closing Balance 30/06/08 Cr \$7,569.39

AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL SPORTFISHING ASSOCIATION NSW BRANCH

2008-09 Budget Forecast

	Budget 2008-09	Budget 2007-08	Actual 2007-08
Income			
Member fees	\$16,500.00	\$15,500.00	\$16,033.00
Other Income	\$750.00	\$1,200.00	\$587.55
Total Income	\$17,250.00	\$16,700.00	\$16,620.55
Expenditure			
National Fees	\$8,250.00	\$7,750.00	\$8,076.00
Insurances	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00	\$2,286.07
Post / Stationary	\$800.00	\$800.00	\$940.52
Phone / Fax / Email	\$600.00	\$500.00	\$596.65
Travel Meetings	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$370.05
Licence fees	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$167.00
Badges / Trophies	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$759.20
Promotions	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$130.58
Website	\$1,000.00	\$500.00	\$1,095.00
AGM Subsidy/(Surplus)	\$250.00	\$250.00	\$0.00
RFA M'ship	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$200.00
Sundries	\$1,000.00	\$1,500.00	\$638.00
Capital Expenditure	\$400.00	\$400.00	-
Total Expenditure	\$17,050.00	\$16,450.00	\$15,259.07
Surplus/ (Deficit)	\$200.00	\$250.00	\$1,361.48

I certify that these statements present a fair and proper view of the Association's trading performance and financial position as at 30 June 2008.

Shane Jasprizza

ANSA NSW Treasurer

6 August 2008

Membership Report

I'm happy to say that our membership numbers appear to have stabilised at around 1,200 for the 2007-08 year. It was disappointing to see a couple of clubs decide not to continue their affiliation with ANSA (Bargo and Basin Lure & Fly Anglers), but we also welcomed 2 new clubs into the fold, the Australian Land Based Anglers Association and a second Narooma club, the Narooma Sporting & Services Bowlo Fishing Club. Membership numbers by Club are in detailed in the following table:

	CLUB	Senior	Student	Junior	Life	TOTAL
1 A	FA Sportfishing Club	11		4		15
2 A1	ustralian Land Based Anglers Association	22	4			26
3 Ba	arrenjoey Sport Fising Club	9	1			10
4 Be	ermagui Sportfishing Club	20	1	2		23
5 Bo	otany Bay Sport Fishing Club	56		24		80
6 Ca	allala Sportsfishing Club	36	2	8		46
7 Ca	ampbelltown City Sportfishing Club	48	1	32	1	82
8 Ca	anberra Fisherman's Club	54		24		78
9 E	den Sport & Gamefishing Club	11		8		19
10 H	appy Hookers Sportfishing Club	9				9
11 La	akeside Tavern Fishing Club	6				6
12 M	Ianly Warringah Sportfishing Club	15	1	4		20
13 M	ledowie Bull N Bush Fishing Club	8				8
14 M	Ierimbula Big Game & Lakes Angling Club	4		2		6
15 M	Iooney Hawks Fishing Club	2		1		3
16 N	arooma Sporting & Services Bowlo Fishing Club					
17 N	arooma Sport & Gamefishing Club	46		10		56
18 N	ewcastle Sport Fishing Club	34		9		43
19 N	orthern Rivers Hotel Fishing Club	4				4
20 N	owra Sportfishing Club	40	2	9		51
21 0	cean Beach Hotel Fishing Club	11		1	1	13
22 Sa	ands Hotel Fishing Club	9		2		11
22 Se	ea Bees Boating Club	47	1	7		55
23 Sc	outh Sydney Amateur Fishing Association	145		59		204
24 Sp	portfishing NSW	20		2	1	23
25 St	t George Sportfishing Club	99	8	26	1	134
	ussex Inlet Bowling Club Fishing Club	14				14
27 Tł	he Fishing Site Sport Fishers Club	10				10
28 UI	lladulla Sport & Gamefishing Club					
29 W	Vagga Wagga Boat Club Anglers	9		4		13
30 W	estern District Sportfishing Club	18		7	1	26
31 W	7inston Hills Northmead Fishing Club	9		3		12
32 W	Vollongong Sportfishing Club	37	1	18	1	57
33 W	7oodburn Rod & Reel Sports Fishing Club	24		14		38
T	OTALS	887	22	280	6	1195

Members are the lifeblood of any sporting association and juniors are the future of our sport. It's pleasing to see that a quarter of our memberships are juniors and students. The next step is to keep these kids involved and provide them with opportunities to contribute to the future of ANSA as they grow up. I see the new awards and records in the ANSA Rulebook as a great way of encouraging new members to ANSA and also sparking the interest of past members with some new challenges. As ANSA Clubs, it's up to all of us to make the most of these opportunities.

Shane Jasprizza ANSA NSW Membership Officer

Recorder's Report

This is to be my last Recorder's Report, for now at least, as I am standing down from the position. While I have enjoyed the role and the involvement, changing priorities and other issues have necessitated me taking the opportunity of an election year to bow out. Congratulations go to all winners of the 12-Month Competition, the ANSA NSW Convention Circuit, and the State Titles. I will not mention them by name in this report as they appear elsewhere in this publication.

National Records

There were 19 new National Records claimed in 2007/08, and all were granted. There were also some records granted from 2007/08 that had come adrift in the system.

State Titles

It has to be said that the State Titles constitute my single biggest disappointment as Recorder. Despite a couple of revamps of the system, it continues to be poorly patronized and may well have had its time, at least for now. I confess to being somewhat non-plussed, as I think as a concept it is fantastic, and I have always looked forward to fishing it. This year there were only 49 registered anglers, though less than half registered captures. This compares to 69 last year, 37 the year before, and 101 before that. There were 22 teams from 7 clubs, though many teams had only 2 anglers. There were only 2 Junior teams totaling 5 anglers. Anecdotal evidence suggests that the actual numbers that fish is somewhat less than the number that register.

12-Month Competition

This year there were 220 entries in the 12-Month comp, by 73 anglers weighing in 37 different species. This compares to 161 x 59 x 35 for 2006/07, and 310 x 76 x 37 in 2005/06. There were winners in all divisions, and most places were filled. A total of 11 clubs were represented in the captures.

State Records

There were 145 new line-class records set for the year. This compares to 116 last year, a somewhat surprising increase, given that by definition the fish have to get better and better as the chart gets older. There were also a number of All-Tackle records, though these are much harder to track.

Rule Changes

There have been some National Rule changes regarding the use of braided lines, new lineclasses, new length-based Australian Record and Masters categories, and the weighing of captures. This is not the appropriate forum to discuss or specify these changes, but I would urge all anglers to check out the new rule book and some of the documents that National have put out recently so that you have an understanding of the rules as they now stand.

Thank you to everyone that I have dealt with over my time as Recorder and to those I have met – it has been an absolute pleasure and one of the highlights of my fishing career. Enough from me – enjoy the new fishing year and I hope you give the new Recorder the same level of support and encouragement I have had over the last 4 years.

Over and Out, Darren Hossack

ANSA NSW Recorder

ANSA NSW 12-Month Competition - Final Results - 10 August 2008

ANGLERS NAME	CLUB	SPECIES	MASS	LINE	POINTS
DIVISION 1 - La	ndbased Gamefishing	g (excl. carp)			
1 Shane Bourke	Newcastle Sport Fishing Club	COBIA	20.000	8	375.000
2 Shane Bourke	Newcastle Sport Fishing Club	TUNA NORTHERN	14.500	6	362.500
3 Shane Bourke	Newcastle Sport Fishing Club	TUNA NORTHERN	13.500	6	337.500
DIVISION 2 - Sp	ortfishing Ocean Roo	ks (Non-Game Spec	ies)		
l Jeff Tabley	St George Sportfishing Club	DRUMMER - SILVER	2.900	2	217.500
2 Jeff Tabley	St George Sportfishing Club	BLACKFISH - ROCK	2.750	2	206.250
3 Jeff Tabley	St George Sportfishing Club	BLACKFISH - ROCK	1.600	2	120.000
DIVISION 3 - Sp	ortfishing Ocean Bea	ch			
1 Russell Emms	Wollongong Sportfishing Club	MULLOWAY	9.500	2	475.000
2 Russell Emms	Wollongong Sportfishing Club	MULLOWAY	4.500	2	225.000
3 Matt Manson	Sth Sydney Amateur Fishing	SALMON - AUSTRALIAN	3.130	2	187.800
DIVISION 4 - Sp	ortfishing Saltwater L	akes and Estuaries	(excl. c	arp)	
1 Ian Phillips	Wollongong Sportfishing Club	FLATHEAD - DUSKY	6.200	2	310.000
2 Ian Phillips	Wollongong Sportfishing Club	FLATHEAD - DUSKY	6.000	2	300.000
3 Darren Parker	Botany Bay Sport Fishing	FLATHEAD - DUSKY	3.500	2	175.000
DIVISION 5A - S	Sportfishing From a B	oat Outside (Game §	pecies)	
1 Paul Emms	Wollongong Sportfishing Club	TUNA - YELLOWFIN	39.000	10	585.000
2 Russell Emms	Wollongong Sportfishing Club	TUNA - YELLOWFIN	32.100	10	481.500
3 Russell Emms	Wollongong Sportfishing Club	TUNA - YELLOWFIN	30.800	10	462.000
DIVISION 5B - S	Sportfishing From a B	oat Outside (Non-Ga	me Sp	ecies)	
1 Greg Clarke	Wollongong Sportfishing Club	GROPER - BLUE/RED	4.800	4	180.000
2 Terry Tatton	Wollongong Sportfishing Club	BLACKFISH - ROCK	1.600	2	120.000
3 Terry Tatton	Wollongong Sportfishing Club	WRASSE - CRIMSON	1.100	2	55.000
DIVISION 6 - Sp	ortfishing Fresh Wate	er (excl. carp)			
1 Dave Walton	Canberra Fishermans Club	PERCH - GOLDEN	5.200	2	260.000
2 Andrew Butt	Canberra Fishermans Club	PERCH - GOLDEN	4.200	2	210.000
3 Dave Walton	Canberra Fishermans Club	PERCH - GOLDEN	4.000	2	200.000

ANGLERS NAME	CLUB	SPECIES	MASS	LINE	POINTS
DIVISION 7 - Lu	recasting Saltwater (Outside)			
1 Greg Clarke	Wollongong Sportfishing Club	TUNA NORTHERN	19.000	8	356.250
2 Greg Clarke	Wollongong Sportfishing Club	TUNA - MACKEREL	6.500	3	325.000
3 Kevin Ward	Wollongong Sportfishing Club	MULLOWAY	11.400	4	285.000
DIVISION 8 - Lu	recasting Freshwater	(excl. carp)			
1 Rob Safran	Canberra Fishermans Club	PERCH - GOLDEN	2.630	2	131.500
2 Andrew Butt	Canberra Fishermans Club	COD - MURRAY	4.900	3	130.667
3 Phil Turner	St George Sportfishing Club	TROUT - BROWN	2.560	2	128.000
DIVISION 9 - Lu	recasting in Saltwate	r Lakes and Estuarie	s		
1 Ian Phillips	Wollongong Sportfishing Club	FLATHEAD - DUSKY	7.100	2	355.000
2 Ian Phillips	Wollongong Sportfishing Club	FLATHEAD - DUSKY	6.500	2	325.000
3 Ian Phillips	Wollongong Sportfishing Club	FLATHEAD - DUSKY	5.600	2	280.000
DIVISION 10 - F	lyfishing Saltwater O	utside			
1 Gary Wade	Sportfishing NSW	ALBACORE	6.165	8	115.594
2 Robert Sciberras	Sth Sydney Amateur Fishing	SALMON - AUSTRALIAN	2.750	3	110.000
3 Vacant			0.000		0.000
DIVISION 11 - F	lyfishing Saltwater La	akes and Estuaries (e	excl.		
1 Ian Phillips	Wollongong Sportfishing Club	TAILOR	3.400	2	170.000
2 Ian Phillips	Wollongong Sportfishing Club	TAILOR	2.900	2	145.000
3 Ian Phillips	Wollongong Sportfishing Club	FLATHEAD - DUSKY	2.800	2	140.000
DIVISION 12 - F	lyfishing Freshwater	(excl. carp)			
1 Mitchell Johnson	Wollongong Sportfishing Club	TROUT - BROWN	2.400	2	120.000
2 Mitchell Johnson	Wollongong Sportfishing Club	TROUT - BROWN	2.400	2	120.000
3 Mitchell Johnson	Wollongong Sportfishing Club	TROUT - BROWN	1.600	2	80.000
DIVISION 13 - S	sportfishing Carp Only	y (Seniors)			
1 Mark McCreadie	Botany Bay Sport Fishing	CARP - EUROPEAN	7.755	2	310.200
2 Mark McCreadie	Botany Bay Sport Fishing	CARP - EUROPEAN	5.675	2	227.000
3 Terry Tatton	Wollongong Sportfishing Club	CARP - EUROPEAN	5.340	2	213.600

ANGLERS NAME	CLUB	SPECIES	MASS	LINE	POINTS
DIVISION 14 - S	portfishing Carp Only	(Juniors and Su	b-juniors)		
1 Mitchell Jobson	Wollongong Sportfishing Club	CARP - EUROPEAN	3.900	2	156.000
1 Mitchell Jobson	Wollongong Sportfishing Club	CARP - EUROPEAN	3.900	2	156.000
3 Rhiannon Hossack	Canberra Fishermans Club	CARP - EUROPEAN	2.420	2	96.800
DIVISION 15 - G	Samefishing (excl. car	p)			
1 Jason Simpson	Sth Sydney Amateur Fishing	MARLIN - STRIPED	68.500	8	1027.500
2 Brian Schofield	Eden Sport & Game Fishing	TUNA - YELLOWFIN	40.000	8	750.000
3 Dave Busuttil	Botany Bay Sport Fishing	MARLIN - BLACK	111.500	24	557.500
DIVISION 16 - H	landline (excl. carp)				
1 Mary Worsley	St George Sportfishing Club	TUNA - MACKEREL	5.590	6	139.750
2 Chris Stolk	Wollongong Sportfishing Club	KINGFISH -	2.700	3	135.000
3 Mary Worsley	St George Sportfishing Club	TUNA - MACKEREL	5.200	10	78.000
DIVISION 17 - C	apture by a Lady (exc	cl. carp)			
1 Tori Reeves	Sth Sydney Amateur Fishing	TUNA - YELLOWFIN	43.000	15	430.000
2 Jayne Emms	Wollongong Sportfishing Club	TUNA NORTHERN	17.000	8	318.750
3 Belinda Rayment	St George Sportfishing Club	TUNA - MACKEREL	6.350	3	317.500
DIVISION 18 - C	apture by a Junior Bo	oy (excl. carp)			
1 Mitchell Jobson	Wollongong Sportfishing Club	MARLIN - STRIPED	82.000	24	410.000
2 Laine Bathis	Sth Sydney Amateur Fishing	TUNA - YELLOWFIN	23.300	15	232.999
3 Mitchell Jobson	Wollongong Sportfishing Club	TUNA - YELLOWFIN	18.800	15	188.000
DIVISION 19 - C	apture by a Junior Gi	irl (excl. carp)			
1 Sarah Cooper-Griffith	hs Newcastle Sport Fishing Club	TUNA - STRIPED	3.870	3	193.500
2 Sarah Cooper-Griffith	hs Newcastle Sport Fishing Club	TUNA - STRIPED	3.240	3	162.000
3 Sarah Cooper-Griffith	hs Newcastle Sport Fishing Club	TUNA - MACKEREL	5.090	6	127.250
DIVISION 20 - C	apture by a Sub-junio	or (excl. carp)			
1 James Rayment	St George Sportfishing Club	TUNA - MACKEREL	6.090	4	228.375
2 Braedon Sinclair	Newcastle Sport Fishing Club	BONITO -	2.994	2	224.550
3 Lachlan Bensley	Canberra Fishermans Club	PERCH - GOLDEN	6.460	3	215.333

DIVISION 21 - Tag and Release

ANGLER	CLUB	POINTS
Cassie Schofield	Eden Sport & Game Fishing Sth Club	90
Steven Paparoulas	Sth Sydney Amateur Fishing Assoc	70
Joe Garufi	Sydney Amateur Fishing	50

DIVISION 22 - Most Versatile

DIVISION 22 - MOST VEISAULE				
ANGLERS NAME	CLUB	POINTS		
Greg Clarke	Wollongong Sportfishing Club	40		
Terry Tatton	Wollongong Sportfishing Club	33		
Mary Worsley	St George Sportfishing Club	13		
Ian Phillips	Wollongong Sportfishing Club	13		

DIVISION 23 - Champion Club

CLUB	POINTS
Wollongong Sportfishing Club	61
St George Sportfishing Club	15
Newcastle Sport Fishing Club	14
Sth Sydney Amateur Fishing Assoc	14
Canberra Fishermans Club	13
Botany Bay Sport Fishing Club	7
Eden Sport & Game Flishing Club	5
Sportfishing NSW	3

Masters Keeper's Report

The role of Masters Keeper is now a relatively easy one, with the process of submitting, collating and dispatching the awards evolving to a very simple and streamlined process. The communication and cooperation from my National counterpart has been instrumental in keeping this well oiled machine running.

The turn around of awards from State / National / State and then to ANSA NSW Clubs is taking one or two months, a very good result for all those involved as it gives the clubs a great chance to present the anglers with their awards in a timely manner.

Keep up the great work

Max Castle

ANSA NSW Masters Keeper

2007 – 2008	ANSA- NSW	Masters	Anglers	Award	Status 16.8.08
Division/Member	NSW Club	To National	From National	To Club Sec.	Comments
Sportfishing Jeff Tabley	St George S. F.C.	17.11.07- hand	5.12.07	5.12.07	Pin, cert and badge sent.
Bill Harvey (30)	St George S. F.C.	21.11.07	5.12.07	5.12.07	Pin and cert sent patch outstanding
Andre Pretorius (10)	Canberra F. C.	-	17.11.07	17.11.07 cert. only	Pin & patch forward 5.12.07
Thomas Johnston (10)	Canberra F.C.	27.12.07	25.1.08	1.2.08	Pin, cert and patch sent
Lurecasting Flyfishing Gamefishing	nil nil nil				
Darren Hossack	Canberra F.C.	17.11.07- hand	5.12.07	5.12.07	Pin, cert and patch sent
Reg Sinclair	Sea Bees Boating	13. 02.08	18.03.08	18. 03.08	Pin, cert and patch sent
Handlining Mary Worsley	St George S. F.C.	-	11.11.07	17.11.07(hand)	Presented by JB
<i>LBG</i> Philip Turner	St George S.F.C.	By others	1.11 07	17.11.07	Patch posted to Club 16.8.08
Tagging Phillip MacDonald	St George F.C.	10.8.07	1.11.07	7.11.07	Tag S133396 - 5.1.03 and Tag B022099 - 25.2.07 (24kg)
Mario Imbriano	Canberra F.C.	21.8.07	1.11.07	7.11.07 16.3.08	Tag B000867 – 3.2.07 Tag B000864 – 18.3.07 Tag B028792 – 6.4.07 Pin received – to Club 5.11.07
Steven Paparoulas	South Sydney F.C.	23.2.08	18.03.08	18.03.08	Tag S229546 – Black Marlin Tag S131340 – Black Marlin
Jim Sterianos Freshwater	South Sydney F.C.	7.5.08	9.06.08	13.06.08	Pin, cert and patch sent Pin, cert and patch sent
Impoundments Andrew Butt	Canberra F.C.		17.11.07	17.11.07 cert. only	Pin and patch sent 5.12.07 Certificate sent previously
Land Based Sportfishing	nil			cort. Only	certificate sent previously

Editor/Club Liaison Officers' Report

The Editor/Club Liaison Officer portfolio basically involves collating, updating, maintaining, and monitoring of communication avenues and information between ANSA NSW and member Clubs. This basically ensures consistent and current information is getting out to the ANSA NSW Clubs.

The ANSA NSW email database has gone ahead in leaps and bounds. The database currently hosts all ANSA NSW affiliated Clubs. Most of the Clubs on the database have minimum one contact. In total, the database hosts 72 points of contact, which includes the ANSA NSW direct membership, Sportfishing NSW.

It has been a hard sell and has taken many hours to maintain and grow the database. Although the feedback has been positive from our affiliated Clubs, ANSA NSW still feels that the information is not filtering through to the members of these Clubs efficiently. This is not an assumption, but a fact as at a State level we have received several calls direct from Club executives and / or members complaining that they "haven't heard from ANSA NSW for a long time."

ANSA NSW sends out information on an almost weekly basis. So if you are not hearing from ANSA NSW, speak to your contact person. If you wish to be added to the ANSA NSW email database as your Clubs' contact point, please make sure you contact me as soon as possible.

www.ansansw.com.au As far as communication is concerned, one of ANSA NSW's greatest achievements must be its website. The ANSA NSW website was a major step in ensuring that the ANSA NSW membership had a tool that was concise, easy to operate, readily maintainable, atheistically pleasing and available 24 hours a day.

ANSA NSW decided to employ a professional webmaster to maintain the website. This of course is costing a substantial amount of money. ANSA NSW has tried to counter this cost by finding sponsors. So far two sponsors have come on board. This is not enough to counter all the costs of updating and maintaining the ANSA NSW website, but it does help.

The success of the ANSA NSW website has been amazing. In fact, in the second year of operation, the ANSA NSW website has a large volume of traffic. The website averages over 18,000 hits a month. This includes an average of 540 direct visits per month, 330 of these visits being unique and a band width of over 170 mega bites. The statistics show that the ANSA NSW website has gone from strength to strength.

The following pages will illustrate some of the many statistics with regards to the ANSA NSW website. The statistics were sourced in August 2008 for the period ending June 30, 2008.

Chart No: 1 – Monthly history.

Last Update: 14 Aug 2008 - 23:28

Reported period: Jun 2008 OK

Summary

Reported period Month Jun 2008

First visit 01 Jun 2008 - 05:07

Last visit 30 Jun 2008 - 22:08

Last visit	30 Jun 2008 - 22:08				
	Unique visitors	Number of visits	Pages	Hits	Bandwidth
Traffic viewed *	362	543 (1.5 visits/visitor)	3213 (5.91 Pages/Visit)	15724 (28.95 Hits/Visit)	140.14 MB (264.27 KB/Visit)
Traffic not viewed *			1437	1473	42.31 MB

^{*} Not viewed traffic includes traffic generated by robots, worms, or replies with special HTTP status codes.

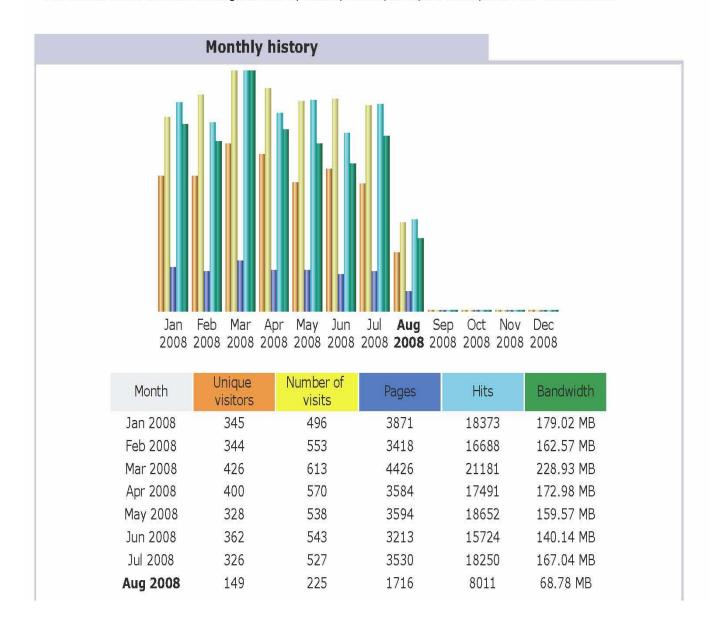
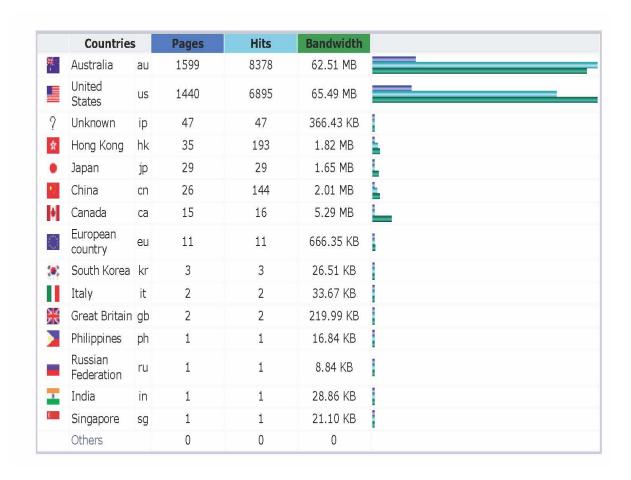


Chart No: 2 – Countries visiting the ANSA NSW website.



<u>Chart No: 3</u> – Pages most frequently visited on the ANSA NSW website.

Pages-URL (Top 25) - Full list - Entry - Exit					
127 different pages-url	Viewed	Average size	Entry	Exit	
/	353	5.66 KB	266	63	
/content/masterstxt. html	343	1.16 KB	2	6	_
/content/newstxt. html	341	890 Bytes	1	2	
/content/ calendartxt.html	338	764 Bytes	3	73	
/content/ welcometxt.html	263	805 Bytes	3	7	
/Banner/Banner.swf	195	217.92 KB	2	20	
/Records/ CurrentStandings. pdf	101	13.37 KB	35	66	_

/attachments/ contact_clubs.pdf	57	14.47 KB	30	35	
/Contacts.html	45	6.40 KB	8	1	
/Join.html	44	5.64 KB	14	4	=
/Records/ ACCConvention.pdf	44	2.45 KB		16	
/About.html	41	5.78 KB	5	2	F
/StateTitles.html	40	2.40 KB	2		
/content/contacttxt. html	38	1.33 KB		4	
/content/ StateTitlestxt.html	38	413 Bytes	1	4	
/Projects.html	36	6.89 KB	4	4	
/content/ joinansatxt.html	35	1.28 KB	1	1	
/content/aboutustxt. html	35	1.38 KB	1	4	
/Links.html	32	6.23 KB	3	1	
/content/projectstxt. html	28	1.54 KB	1	6	
/HotTopics.html	28	5.14 KB	10	7	
/attachments/ Calendar.pdf	27	30.72 KB	1	13	
/content/linkstxt. html	25	2.94 KB		7	
/attachments/PLI. pdf	23	14.05 KB	11	11	
/Records/ NSWRecords260507. pdf	19	100.97 KB	17	16	
Others	644	111.80 KB	122	170	

As you can see, both the email database and the website seem to be working well. Even so, we would encourage the membership to become more active in the distribution of ANSA NSW information. This will ensure ANSA NSW is reaching its membership and that you are well informed of current issues.

Joe Garufi

Editor/Club Liaison Officer ANSA NSW

Champion Club Trophy

1972		St George Sportfishing Club
1973		Sydney Sportfishing Club
1974		Sydney Sportfishing Club
1975		Newcastle Sportfishing Club
1976		Bankstown Bluewater Fishing Club
1977		Newcastle Sportfishing Club
1978		Wollongong Sportfishing Club
1979		Newcastle Sportfishing Club
1980		Nowra Sportfishing Club
1981		Wollongong Sportfishing Club
1982		Wollongong Sportfishing Club
1983		Wollongong Sportfishing Club
1984		Wollongong Sportfishing Club
1985		Wollongong Sportfishing Club
1986		Wollongong Sportfishing Club
1987	TIE	Wollongong Sportfishing Club/ Newcastle Sportfishing Club
1988		Wollongong Sportfishing Club
1989		Wollongong Sportfishing Club
1990		Wollongong Sportfishing Club
1991		Forster/Tuncurry Sportfishing Club
1992		Wollongong Sportfishing Club
1993		St George Sportfishing Club
1994		Nowra Sportfishing Club
1995		Trial Bay Sportfishing Club
1996		Wollongong Sportfishing Club
1997		Wollongong Sportfishing Club
1998		Nowra Sportfishing Club
1999		Port Stephens Rod and Reel Club
2000		Nowra Sportfishing Club
2001		Nowra Sportfishing Club
2002		Wollongong SFC
2003		Nowra SFC
2004		Wollongong SFC
2005		Wollongong SFC

2006	Wollongong SFC
2007	Wollongong SFC
2008	Wollongong SFC

Tag And Release Trophy

1979	Michael James	Newcastle SFC
1980	Tim Simpson	Barrenjoey SFC
1981	Stephen McMillan	Bankstown BFC
1982	Steven Church	Coffs Harbour SFC
1983	Greg Clarke	Wollongong SFC
1984	Steven Church	Coffs Harbour SFC
1985	Steven Church	Coffs Harbour SFC
1986	Jim Wray	Coffs Harbour SFC
1987	Jim Wray	Coffs Harbour SFC
1988	David Stone	Newcastle SFC
1989	Steven Church	Eden SGFC
1990	Greg Clarke	Wollongong SFC
1991	Andrew Lukaszewwicz	Newcastle SFC
1992 TIE	Scott MacLean	South Sydney SFC
1992 TIE	Bob Irvine	Canberra FC
1993	Mark Williams	Lake Macquarie SFC
1994	Michael James	Newcastle SFC
1995	Wayne Colling	Trial Bay SFC
1996	Wayne Colling	Trial Bay SFC
1997	Peter Sitarz	Newcastle SFC
1998	Wayne Colling	Trial Bay SFC
1999	Wayne Colling	Trial Bay SFC
2000	Wayne Colling	Trial Bay SFC
2001	John Lazzaro	Bermagui SFC
2002	Arthur Smith	Newcastle SFC
2003	Arthur Smith	Newcastle SFC
2004	Warren Sinclair	Newcastle SFC
2005	Brian Schofield	Eden S&GFC
2006	John Rankin	Eden S&GFC
2007	Mario Imbriano	Canberra Fishermans Club
2008	Cassie Schofield	Eden Sport and Gamefishing Club

Most Versatile Angler Trophy

1981	Ian Campbell	Wollongong SFC
1982	Greg Clarke	Wollongong SFC
1983	Greg Clarke	Wollongong SFC
1984	Greg Clarke	Wollongong SFC
1985	Greg Clarke	Wollongong SFC
1986	Greg Clarke	Wollongong SFC
1987	Greg Clarke	Wollongong SFC
1988	Greg Clarke	Wollongong SFC
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1990	Greg Clarke	Wollongong SFC
1991	Greg Clarke	Wollongong SFC
1992	Greg Clarke	Wollongong SFC
1993	Greg Clarke	Wollongong SFC
1994	Cameron Jones	Nowra SFC
1995	Wayne Colling	Trial Bay SFC
1996	Greg Clarke	Wollongong SFC
1997	Phillip Worsley	St George SFC
1998	Wayne Colling	Trial Bay SFC
1999	Wayne Colling	Trial Bay SFC
2000	Wayne Colling	Trial Bay SFC
2001	Terry Tatton	Wollongong SFC
2002	Terry Tatton	Wollongong SFC
2003	Robert Barrett	Nowra SFC
2004	Mark Rubie	St George SFC
2005	Phil Turner	St George SFC
2006	Greg Clarke	Wollongong SFC
2007	Greg Clarke	Wollongong SFC
2008	Greg Clarke	Wollongong SFC

Most Meritorious Capture Trophy

1973		Kevin Champion	Nowra SFC
1974		Paul Kelton	Sydney SFC
1975		Garry Spruce	Newcastle SFC
1976		Mich Micallef	St George SFC
1977		F Spruce	Newcastle SFC
1978		Pat Henderson	Narooma SFC
1979		Ed Davis	Newcastle SFC
1980		Phil Aylet	Orange Ex Serv FC
1981		Mark Nolan	Canberra FC
1982		Greg Clarke	Wollongong SFC
1983		Ben McKinnirey	Wollongong SFC
1984		David Shearing	Orange Ex Serv FC
1985		Trevor Franklin	Culburra FC
1986		Vic Caplikas	Western District SFC
1987		David Rawlings	St George SFC
1988		Samantha Anderson	St George SFC
1989		Lloyd Anderson	St George SFC
1990		Michael Wright	Forster/Tuncurry SFC
1991		Guy Strange (Jnr)	Byron Bay SGFC
1992		Barry Preston	Nowra SFC
1993		Cameron Jones	St George SFC
1994	TIE	Wayne Colling	Trial Bay SFC
		Glen Ward	Barrenjoey SFC
1995		Phillip Dumpleton (Jnr)	Nowra SFC
1996		Nicholas Pearce (Jnr)	Culburra SFC
1997		Joshua Sweeny (Jnr)	Lake Macquarie SFC
1998		Peter Webster	Nowra SFC
1999		Scott Mitchell	Wollongong SFC
2000		Paul Yatras	Western Districts SFC
2001		Jay Maunder	Forster-Tuncurry SFC
2002		Wayne Colling	Trial Bay SFC
2003		Nancy Fitzpatrick	Nowra SFC
2004		Nathan Siarakis	South Sydney AFA
2005		David Busuttil	Botany Bay SFC
2006		Arman Cokun	Botany Bay SFC
2007		Jason Simpson	South Sydney AFA
2008		Mick Roberts	Narooma S&GFC

Roy Winter Memorial Trophy Excellence in Rock Fishing

The inception of the Roy Winter Memorial Trophy occurred during the mid 1970's when Mr and Mrs Winter presented the Perpetual Trophy to ANSA in memory of their son Roy who passed away in his early 20's before he could achieve his fishing goals.

The trophy is not awarded as a matter of course each year but rather only when, if in the Committee's opinion, a significant capture has been made from the rocks during the competition year. Entries are not called for with the winners name usually obtained from examining all rock captures made from the 12 Month Competition.

Recipients to date are:

1976	John Ashley	
1977	David Mayne	
1978	Ed Davis	29.5 kg Longtail Tuna on 10kg line
1979	Wayne Poole	26.0kg Yellofin Tuna on 6kg line
1980	Steven Goatcher	Ç Ç
1981	Mark Wray	
1982	Juha Sakkara	
1983	Gavin Goodwin	
1984	James Zsovar	2.3kg Rock Blackfish on 1kg line
1985	Not awarded	
1986	Vic Caplikas	110.0kg Black Marlin on 10kg line
1987	Not awarded	
1988	Not awarded	
1989	Brett Harding	
1990	Ian Beasley	17.3kg Molloway on 8kg line
1991	Greg Medhurst	12.8kg Longtail Tuna on 4kg line
1992	Jim Siarakas	47.0kg Black Marlin on 8kg line
1993	Not awarded	
1994	Barry Preston	6.0kg Broadbill on 8kg line
1995	Not awarded	
1996	Not awarded	
1997	Glen Beers	
1998	Not awarded	
1999	Not awarded	
2000	Not awarded	
2001	Barron Lippel	29.5kg Kingfish on 24kg line
2002	Dominic Casarotto	15.2kg Long Tail Tuna on 8kg line
2003	Mark Rubie	2.5kg Drummer on 1kg line
2004	Not Awarded	
2005	Not awarded	
2006	Matt Manson	13kg Groper
2007	Shane Bourke	29.5kg Cobia on 8kg line
2008	Tomasz Szyszkowski	21.5kg Northern Bluefin Tuna on 10kg line and
	21	23.5kg Northern Bluefin Tuna on 15kg line
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AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL SPORTFISHING ASSOCIATION - NSW BRANCH

ANSA NSW Angel Ring Project June 2008





Angel Ring Project 04/05 Phase 4 (Feb 2005- Feb 2008)

NSW Recreational Fishing Trust

Final Report

Prepared by Stan Konstantaras













Got a new angel ring location?
Let ANSA NSW know and we will investigate;
Phone 1800 070 009
or write to us at
PO Box 328
Matraville NSW 2036



Bruce Olsen (Sydney North Region) and Ben Karnatz (Sydney South Region) who coordinate the entire Sydney region on behalf of the Angel Ring Project

What is an Angel Ring?

- Angel Rings are life buoys installed at popular and dangerous ocean rock fishing spots along NSW coastliane.
- Angel Rings keep the victim afloat and allows the person to swim away from the rocks until help arrives or a rescue can be organised.



Paul Cooper swimming towards an angel ring thrown to him during the filming of the Rock Fishing Safety DVD

History

- 1993 an anglers life was saved at Moe's Rock, Jervis Bay by a ship style life buoy installed by a bereaved father who lost a son rock fishing at an earlier date
- Department of Sport, Recreation and Racing (DSRR) forms working group in 1993 to look at rock fishing safety and this rescue event at Moe's Rock
- DSRR provided a grant of \$30K to the NSW Recreational Fishing Advisory Council (RFAC) to implement more Guardian Angel Rings style installations
- 1994 Present. ANSA NSW manages AR project, installing Angel Rings in known rockfishing black spots and participating in community education and awareness programs
- ANSA NSW has successfully applied and received funding from the NSW Recreational Fishing Trust Fund on four (4) occasions, with grants to date totalling approx. \$77,000 between 2002 - 2005
- 2007 ANSA NSW installs rings in SE Victoria as part of a Angel Ring Pilot Project in conjunction with Lifesaving Victoria and Parks Victoria
- 2007 ANSA NSW receives \$59,000 from the Federal Government under the Recreational Fishing Community Grants to continue and raise the profile of the Angel Ring Project for 2007/2008
- 2008 ANSA NSW assists in the application for a pilot project in Tasmania
- 2008 ANSA NSW also provides technical assistance and samples to Auckland Park Rangers to establish a Angel Rings Pilot Project in New Zealand

Final Report

The period between 2005 and 2008 has seen innovative ideas to promote Angel Rings (AR's), rockfishing safety and all facets of rockfishing. New locations have had AR's installed, however the ongoing management and replacement of rings and posts has seen most of our efforts focussed in this area. The management of a angel ring installation involves a physical inspection of each location on a regular basis and sourcing spares if required to do the job. So we are all continually scurrying along the rocks checking and replacing the installations. Calls are also received on the Freecall 1800 number to pick up rings that have been washed away, so we need to attend to these as well. The project continues to be well received by local councils, who are now contacting us direct for potential installation sites and the entire process has been streamlined by the Lands Department. Ministerial support at both Lands and NSWDPI - Fisheries level has ensured that blanket approval for the project has reduced the red tape from years to months. A great win for all. The process has been augmented by topographical mapping software, digital cameras and hand held GPS units.

ANSA NSW established a new website, www.angelrings.com.au that has allowed us to host all of our related material, management plans and maps on the one site. We have further established links with like minded associations and government agencies that will further promote the program and we continue to chip away at the issue of rock fishing safety in our own unique way. The Angel Ring program is now being shared with other agencies and states. In May 06 we completed a research paper on Angel Rings and the paper was accepted at the World Water Safety Conference in Portugal.

One example of an installation was a visit to Red Rock, just north of Coffs Harbour. Mal Poole, Yanko Serifi, Jim Kosyfas and I left Swansea at 5am, drove to Coffs, installed 3 ring assemblies, posed for the local press and provided the story, stopped off at the tackle shop and were back at Swansea for a Thai meal at 7.30pm that night, not a bad effort. A local resident, Marilyn Allen saw the need for the installations due to several close calls with fisher, she assisted and completed all the local negotiations with the traditional owners of Red Rock, local Council and Lands Department on our behalf and put her hand out to monitor the rings. In hindsight our job was easy! A very good outcome for ANSA NSW with the locals residents taking ownership of the angel rings in their area. ANSA NSW is hoping to foster more of these partnerships in the future.

The www.angelrings.com.au website was built by Leading Impressions to host all the management plans and maps of the rings and locations. This has taken some time, but updates are constantly being added. We are linking at many other sites that promote fishing safety and diverting such requests for information back to this portal.

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Sergeant Anthony Hill from the Marine Area Command and Sergeant Jason Harrison from the Commissioners Inspectorate with the new Police Angel Ring

In April 2007, ANSA NSW coordinated the installation of 8 Angel Rings in Victoria as a pilot program and is looking at other States that it can help with rockfishing safety issues. This project was collaborated between ANSA National, Lifesaving Victoria, ANSA NSW and ANSA Victoria. Funds were outlaid for the installation team to travel to Victoria were repaid by Lifesaving Vic. The RFCGP approved the initial funding of \$8,000 for ANSA National to investigate and distribute rock fishing information that was the catalyst for this pilot project. Additional work is now being done across Australia under the ongoing RFCGP Project.

After almost 16 months of planning that included consultation with Parks Victoria, Life Saving Victoria, Victoria Police, ANSA National, ANSA NSW, ANSA VIC and funding sourced from ESSO and the Victorian Fishing Licence Trust the project was finally off the ground. Eight (8) Angel Ring Life Buoys were installed at popular fishing spots at Wilson's Promontory, and the Bass Coast near Phillip Is. The spots selected have had fatalities associated with rock fishing in the past. One of the biggest obstacles faced by the planning team was access to the spots, with long walks and goat tracks down cliffs to get to these locations. With the assistance of Parks Victoria Rangers who led the way during the entire process, the only complaints were sore legs. ANSA Vic and Life Saving Victoria will now embark on an education campaign aimed at non-English speaking anglers who fish these rock platforms.

The pilot project at these locations is expected to run for 2 years, but already ANSA Vic is assessing other locations in Victoria that would benefit from an angel ring. Brian Hayes, President of ANSA Vic stated "that these rings are the last line of defence in case an angler is washed off the rocks whilst fishing. What we are focusing on is education to stop these anglers getting into a situation where there is a risk of this happening."

Many thanks to Brian and his ANSA Vic members, who picked up, stored and carried the rings in with the NSW team. A mammoth task that involved trucks, planes and automobiles and a 700km round trip for NSW team to and from Melbourne Airport!



One of the eight rings installed in Victoria

Finally the program would not be able to operate without the many individuals who assist, but especially to the few members who put their hand up to help. Yanko Serifi, Malcolm Poole, Ron Abdilla, Ben Karnatz and John Burgess and especially Gordon Jobson make the project the success it is today.

Confirmed lives saved during Phase 4

- Little Bay NSW 20/3/05 Local Jet Ski patrol rescues swimmer washed out to sea after staying affoat for 40 minutes in rough seas.
- Port Kembla = 12/2/06 The Coast Guard at Hill 60 spotted a fisherman in the lifebuoy early in the
 morning. He was floating out from the rocks off Honeycomb Point, a popular fishing spot.
- Botany Bay National Park Sydney- 17/3/06 Fisherman found clinging to angel ring after being
 washed in. Ring thrown to him by other anglers. Rescued by passing boat .Local anglers coordinated
 rescue with Police.
- Boat Harbour- 14/5/2006 A spearfisher who got into difficulties attempting to get out of the water
 onto the rocks at Boat Harbour was rescued by a ring thrown to him by Nathan Smith, the local
 custodian of the rings in the area. The spearfisher lost his flippers, mask and snorkel when he was hit
 by a big wave as he tried to get out onto the rocks. He used the ring to stay afloat as he made his way
 back to the beach and to safety.
- Wattomolla Royal National Park 24/2/2008 Angler washed off rocks and kept afto at by ring for 40 minutes until rescue helicopter arrives and winched to safety.
- Hill 60 Port Kembla 26/2/2008 Angler washed off rocks and kept afloat by ring for 40 minutes until rescue helicopter arrives.



Maroubra Lifeguards rescued a swimmer off Little Bay after being swept out to sea. A ring was thrown to him by an angler and kept him afloat until help arrived 40 minutes later.

Phase 4 Expenditure Summaries

A full set of Angel Ring accounts showing income and expenditure are located at Appendix 1.

ANSA NSW ANGEL RING PROJECT (2004/2005)

Opening Bank Balance 1/7/04		Cr \$158.08
Less:		
Project admin	\$2,415.96	
Toll free phone	\$701.01	
Travel	\$331.76	
Rings & materials	\$9,772.15	
Safety signage	\$1,584.00	\$14,804.88
Add:		
Trust Fund Grant	\$4,928.00	
Trust Fund Grant Phase 4		
(23/02/05)	\$42,405.00	
Bank Interest	\$74.99	Cr \$47,407.99
Closing Bank Balance 30/6/05		Cr \$32,761.19

ANSA NSW ANGEL RING PROJECT (2005/2006)

Opening Bank Balance 1/7/05		Cr \$32,761.19
Less:		
Project admin	\$3,137.09	
Toll free phone	\$969.99	
Travel	\$1,070.09	
Multicultural materials	\$3,379.42	
Storage container	\$2,090.00	
Rings & materials	\$3,078.35	
Safety signage	\$3,732.15	\$17,457.09
Add:		
Bank interest		Cr \$210.24
Closing Bank Balance 30/6/06		Cr \$15,514.34

ANSA NSW ANGEL RING PROJECT (2006/2007)

Opening Bank Balance 1/7/06		Cr \$15,514.34
Less:		
Project admin	\$318.55	
Website & Internet	\$2,072.36	
Toll free phone	\$1,665.66	
Travel	\$2,473.27	
Multicultural materials	\$805.20	
Rings & materials	\$7,183.20	
Safety equipment & signage	\$1,264.30	\$15,782.54
Add:		
Refund - Business Name Registration	\$110.00	
Interest	\$271.77	
DFACS Small Equipment Grant	\$1,430.00	\$1,811.77
Closing Bank Balance 30/06/07		Cr \$1,543.57

ANSA NSW ANGEL RING PROJECT (2007/2008)

Opening Bank Balance 1/7/07		Cr \$1,543.57
Less:		
Project admin	\$1,479.99	
Website & Internet	\$737.21	
Toll free phone	\$720.93	
Travel	\$570.00	
Multicultural materials	\$0.00	
Rings & materials	\$0.00	
Safety equipment & signage	\$0.00	\$3,508.13
Add:		
Interest	\$232.20	
Reimbursement - Lifesaving Victoria	\$1,732.36	\$1,964.56
Closing Bank Balance 18/04/08		Cr \$0.00

The Future Proposed Angel Ring Locations for 2008

Location	Number	Details and Contacts	Status
Tathra	Four	4 Rings to go on rocks south of Tathra Wharf Kerrie McKee (Tathra Charters) johndmckee@bigpond.com	Application Complete Application Sent Dept Lands Nowra 28 th February call to Lands Nowra 12 th March call to Lands Nowra Application still being assessed. Approval received, coordinating install with
Mutton Bird Is	Two	2 Rings on Island NPWS Mutton Bird Is NP Malcolm Poole	Application Complete (Jan 07) With Indigenous land council (Jan 08)
Botany Bay National Park	Three	Browns Rock, Bare Is, Henry Head NPWS Kaiya.Donovan@environment.nsw.gov.au Phone 9337 7014.	Request received 10 th March 08 Site visit organised after 17 th March 2008 Contact with Kaiya 9 April 2008
Sydney Harbour National Park	Two	Sth Head, Sydney Harbour Ben.Khan@environment.nsw.gov.au	Request received 10 th March 08 Site Visit organised 15 th March Ben Khan
South Wall Richmond River	One	1 Rings on Breakwall Neil Adams (local angler) fivestarvideo@aapt.net.au Neil sending hard copies of map and email images as per email	Request received 31st Jan 08 Neil taking photos and GPS Points (Feb 08) Hard copies received in mail 8 April 2008. Application being completed

Applications under Development and Pending Approval

Snapper Rocks	Two	2 Rings on rocks	2 Requests received
Merry Beach NSW Sth Coast		Bill Harvey / Sid Young 9570 4836	St George SFC 27 th Jan 08
		Tony Brown (local angler) tverfam@bigpond.com.au	Tony Brown 5 th Feb 08
		(Mrs) Lea Grant President Bawley Point Kioloa Ratepayers and Residents Association Inc. Phone. 4457 1449 Email: grant12@tpg.com.au	Tony taking photos and GPS (Feb 08) Sid reconfirming spots 2 April 2008 Contact from www by Lea Grant 9 April 2008
Royal National Park Garie Beach		1 wall mount ring RNP Rangers Grant Millar grant.millar@environment.nsw.gov.au	Application sent March 2008 Grant Millar RNP
Moruya Breakwall	One	1 Ring on the Breakwall Max Castle	Application Being prepared. Max to determine owners of Breakwall (Feb 08) Application Sent March 2008 Dept Lands Nowra 12th March call to Lands Nowra Application being assessed.
Dee Why	One	Move Ring	Site Visit Required.
		NSW State Coroner	Saturday 15 th March- Bruce Olsen
			Ring Installed as per Manly Daily article 15 March 2008
Black Head	Two	Gerroa Fisherman's Club	Site Investigation needed. Local FC identified as partner
Booti Booti	One	Chris Grant ALBAA	March 2007 Photo and GPS points needed. Chris to source
Charlotte Head	One	Chris Grant - ALBAA	April 2007. Photo and GPS point provided. Ring to compliment existing one around the corner

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Angel Ring Brochure

To date almost 50,000 brochures have been distributed within NSW via tackle shops, migrant centres and other outlets that recreational anglers of non-English speaking background visit.





Angel Ring Advertisement

The new NSW Fisheries Recreational Saltwater and Freshwater Fishing Guide for 07/08 will feature a community message on the inside cover.

Circulation 310,000 copies.







Look for available

angel ring, life buoy or

something that floats

Throw the life buoy, or something that floats, to the person



Mang giầy thích hợp – gót giầy không trơn trợt

올바른 신발을 착용하세요 - 미끄럼 방지 밑창 부착 신발 and tides before going rock fishing









GOT A NEW ANGEL RING LOCATION? Let ANSA NSW know and we will investigate; Phone 1800 079 009 OR WRITE TO US AT PO Box 328 Matraville NSW 2036

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World Water Safety Conference

Abstract and Poster Presentation accepted for the WWS Conference in Portugal

POSTER Presentation



Stan Konstantaras – President - Australian National Sportfishing Association New South Wales Branch (ANSANSW) Sydney – Australia International Organisations in Drowning Prevention

ANGEL RING PROJECT

The Angel Ring Project is a mission undertaken by the volunteers of the Australian National Sportfishing Associations NSW Branch (ANSA NSW) and has so far saved 23 documented lives in NSW. ANSA NSW has successfully installed 79 assemblies to date. Having been provided with the initial funding back in 1994, the process of installing the angel rings began. Up until 2000, when ANSA NSW won the NSW Sports Safety Award at the NSW Sporting Injuries Insurance Presentation, no funding was available. The \$5,000 prize allowed us to purchase spare assemblies and spare life buoys, which allowed us to replace existing angel rings. After successfully applying for funding from the NSW Recreational Fishing Licence Trust Fund in 2002, ANSA NSW has secured additional funding of \$120K from both State and Federal grant programs. The Westpac Rescue Helicopter Service, Water Police and the Surf Life Saving Association continue to support the project, with the most recent lives saved being attributed to an angel ring being available to keep the person afloat until the rescue services arrived. ANSA NSW is currently working with the NSW Police Force to trial the effectiveness of the rings within the rescue services equipment.

Some facts about the program,

The number of life rings installed by ANSA NSW clubs since 1994 is 79. The first documented life saved was on the 4th October 1995 at Bass Point.

Some of the recent confirmed lives saved;

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- Kiama NSW- 12/1/04 25 year old fisherman found clinging to angel ring 100m offshore after being washed in Ring thrown to him by other anglers. Rescued by WESTPAC Helicopter
- Catherine Hill Bay NSW- 13/1/04 16 year old girl washed in off rocks and stays afloat for 40 minutes
 whilst being coaxed to calmer waters being safely pulled ashore
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 after being washed in Ring thrown to him by other anglers. Rescued by passing boat.
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Learning outcomes

- 1. Added rockfishing awareness within the community via media outlets.
- Angler awareness at rockfishing locations where Angel Rings are installed.

Targeted non-English speaking communities to raise awareness and existence of Angel Rings

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NSW Angel Ring Update

2nd August 2007

ANGEL RINGS PROJECT CONTINUES IN 2007 / 2008

Recreational Fishing Community Grants Programme

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The Federal Fisheries Minister, the Hon Eric Abetz has supported all the applications that have been presented in relation to rock fishing safety, including a roll out of free rockfishing safety DVDs on a national fishing magazine and delivery to of the DVD to non-traditional tackle outlets.

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<u>NSW Recreational Fishing Trust Fund</u>
The NSW Fisheries Minister, the Hon Ian Macdonald and the NSW Trust Fund have been big supporters of the rock fishing safety initiative that has been ongoing for a few years now within NSW.

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NSW Police Angel Ring Update August 2007

ANSA NSW Police Angel Ring Project
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Sergeant Anthony Hill from the Marine Area Command and Sergeant Jason Harrison from the Commissioners Inspectorate with the new Police Angel Ring.

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Sample Bulletins















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NSW Angel Ring Update

26th February 2008

2 MORE LIVES SAVED

After a very positive 2007 that saw fishing related deaths decrease by 52% according to the Royal Life Saving 2007 Drowning report, it was with great relief that the angel rings were used in another 2 confirmed rescues in the space of a few days last week.

The participating rescuers have told ANSA NSW that without the rings to keep these anglers afloat they would have been statistics.

The first case involved an angler washed in off the rocks at Hill 60 near Port Kembla, the second incident involved another angler at Wattamolla, in the Royal National Park south of Sydney. Both anglers were kept afloat by the rings and away from the rocks untill winched to safety by the rescue helicopters in big seas.

After a meeting with Royal National Park rangers today, further sites will be investigated within the park. Translated rockfishing safety material will also be distributed within the park by the rangers and ANSA NSW is working with the park rangers to tackle some of the environmental issues that anglers tend to overlook. The most significant one being rubbish left behind on the rocks.

ANSA will tackle the problem with the same strategy it uses for rockfishing safety – education. Translated brochures, advertisements and personal interaction on the rocks will hopefully address this issue.

There are currently 9 new angel ring locations being investigated or awaiting approval within NSW.

With these new rings scheduled to be installed in the next few months, the number of NSW rings will be close to 90. New location requests are being received daily for ANSA NSW to investigate.

ANSA NSW is always looking for anglers to assist them with the angel ring program. If you would like more info on the project or info on how to join ANSA NSW online and the Angel Ring Team, visit the following:

http://www.angelrings.com.au/JoinIntro.html



website www.angelrings.com.au email info@angelrings.com phone 1800 079 009

Angel Ring Website

Updates, maps and management plans are almost completed. Website updates are continuing with new location maps being added. www.angelrings.com.au



New location maps





New Angel Ring Management Plans on site



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Angel Rings and the NSW Police

After a 2 year trial within the Eastern Suburbs of Sydney, a State wide program within NSW is being initiated.



Police from the Eastern Suburbs LAC respond to a person in the water at Malabar with an Angel Ring whilst waiting for helicopter and launch assistance. . Jan 07

Artwork for Police Training Manual



Angel Ring Display and Installation Trailer:

 $\label{eq:ansaly} \textbf{ANSA NSW ANGEL RING (RFCGP Funded)} \ \ \textbf{trailer for use during installation and display} \\ \textbf{and seminar days.}$



Appendix 2

New Installations and Replacement Angel Rings

NSW Recreational Fishing Trust Funded

Club	Location for lifering	New Issue or replacement	Contact Name	Date of Dispatch
Wollongong SFC	Flagstaff Point Wollongong	Replacement Ring	G Jobson	Nov-02
Wollongong SFC	Windang Island	Replacement Ring	G Jobson	Nov-02
Wollongong SFC	Bombo Headland Kiama	Replacement Ring	G Jobson	Nov-02
Wollongong SFC	Blowhole Point Kiama	Replacement Ring	G Jobson	Nov-02
Narooma SFC	Narooma Breakwater	Replacement Ring	B Wells	Dec-02
Narooma SFC	Narooma Breakwater Nth	Replacement Ring	B Wells	Dec-02
Narooma SFC	Mystery Bay	Replacement Ring	B Wells	Dec-02
Sussex Inlet Tavern	Sussex Inlet Bar	New	S Konstantaras	Dec-02
Sussex Inlet Tavern	Sussex Inlet Rocks	New	S Konstantaras	Dec-02
Wollongong SFC	Little Blowhole	New	G Jobson	Dec-02
NSW Fisheries Minister	Publicity	Ring and Plaque	J Diplock	Return
South Sydney AFA	Yellow Rock ,Malabar	New	S Konstantaras	Mar-03
South Sydney AFA	Cape Banks, Sth Botany Bay	New	S Konstantaras	Jun-03
South Sydney AFA	Cape Banks, Nth Botany Bay	New	S Konstantaras	Jun-03
South Sydney AFA	The Gutter Malabar	New	S Konstantaras	Jun-03
South Sydney AFA	The Blessings Sth Maroubra	New	S Konstantaras	Jun-03
South Sydney AFA	Mahon Pool Nth Maroubra	New	S Konstantaras	Jul-03
South Sydney AFA	The Stake Maroubra	New	S Konstantaras	Jul-03
Bob Carrs Office	Publicity	Ring Only		Jun-03
Waverly Police	Rescue Vehicle	Ring Only	S Konstantaras	Jun-03
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St George SFC	Royal National Park	Replacement Ring	David Rawlings	Jun-03
Wollongong SFC	Flagstaff Point Wollongong	Replacement Ring	Gordon Jobson	Jul-03
Wollongong SFC	The Chair Bass Point	Replacement Ring	Gordon Jobson	Jul-03
South Sydney AFA	Yellow Rock, Malabar	Replacement Ring	S Konstantaras	Jul-03
Wollongong SFC	Flagstaff Point Wollongong	Replacement Ring	Gordon Jobson	Nov-03
Narooma SFC	Narooma Breakwater	Replacement Ring	Ian Smith	Sep-03
Wollongong SFC	Flagstaff Point Wollongong	Replacement Ring	Gordon Jobson	Dec-03
Narooma SFC	Narooma Breakwater	Replacement Ring	Ian Smith	Dec-03
ANSA NSW	Catherine Hill Bay	New	Yanko Serifi	Dec-03
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South Sydney AFA	Yellow Rock(2) ,Malabar	New	S Konstantaras	Dec-03
South Sydney AFA	Clovelly Pool	New	S Konstantaras	Dec-03
South Sydney AFA	Shark Pt, Clovelly	New	S Konstantaras	Dec-03
South Sydney AFA	The Stake Maroubra	Replacement Ring	S Konstantaras	Jan-04
South Sydney AFA	Clovelly Pool	Replacement Ring	S Konstantaras	Jan-04
ANSA NSW	Catherine Hill Bay	Ring Only	Yanko Serifi	Dec-03
South Sydney AFA	Yellow Rock(2), Malabar	Replacement Ring	S Konstantaras	Jan-04
South Sydney AFA	Cape Banks, Nth Botany Bay	Replacement Ring	S Konstantaras	Jan-04
South Sydney AFA	Cape Banks, Nth Botany Bay	Replacement Post/Ring	S Konstantaras	Oct-03
South Sydney AFA	Wattamolla - RNP	New	S Konstantaras	Nov-04
Wollongong SFC	Bombo Headland Kiama	Replacement Ring	Gordon Jobson	Nov-04
South Sydney AFA	Clovelly Pool	Replacement Ring	J Burgess	Nov-04
ANSA NSW	Red Ochre	New	Yanko Serifi	Dec-04
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NPWS	Munmorah SRA - Office	Spare Ring	Glen Triton	Dec-04
South Sydney AFA	Yellow Rock	Replacement Ring	S Konstantaras	Dec-04
South Sydney AFA	Yellow Rock	Replacement Ring/Post	S Konstantaras	Dec-04
South Sydney AFA	The Stake Maroubra	Replacement Post/Ring	S Konstantaras	Dec-04

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Club	Location for lifering	New Issue or replacement	Contact Name	Dispatch
Wollongong SFC	Coalcliff	Replacement Ring	Gordon Jobson	Jan-05
Wollongong SFC	Killea Rec Area	Replacement Ring	Gordon Jobson	Jan-05
Wollongong SFC	Killea Rec Area	Replacement Ring	Gordon Jobson	Jan-05
Wollongong SFC	Port Kembla	Replacement Ring	Gordon Jobson	Jan-05
Wollongong SFC	Crampton Is	New	Gordon Jobson	Mar-05
Wollongong SFC	Crampton Is	Spare Ring	Paul Howie	Mar-05
ANSA NSW	Catherine Hill Bay	Replacement Ring	Yanko Serifi	Mar-05
Waverly Police	Rescue Vehicle	Ring Only	S Konstantaras	Mar-05
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ANSA NSW	Moonee Headland	New	Yanko Serifi	Mar-05
ANSA NSW	Moonee Headland	New	Yanko Serifi	Mar-05
ANSA NSW	Moonee Headland	New	Yanko Serifi	Mar-05
St George SFC	Wattamolla- RNP	Ring Only	Phil Turner	Mar-05
ANSA NSW	Catherine Hill Bay	Ring Only	Yanko Serifi	Jul-05
RFA of NSW	Coffs Harbour	Ring and Plaque	Malcolm Poole	Jul-05
RFA of NSW	Coffs Harbour	Spare Ring	Phil Atkinson	Jul-05
Wollongong SFC	Kiama	Ring Only	Gordon Jobson	Aug-05
Narooma SFC	Narooma	Spare Ring	Ian Smith	Aug-05
Narooma SFC	Narooma	Spare Ring	Ian Smith	Aug-05
St George SFC	RNP	Spare Ring	Phil Turner	Sep-05
St George SFC	RNP	Spare Ring	Phil Turner	Sep-05
ANSA NSW	Central Coast	Spare Ring	Yanko Serifi	Sep-05
South Sydney AFA	Yellow Rock ,Malabar	Replacement Ring	John Poole	Oct-05
Wollongong SFC	Kiama	Replacement Ring	Gordon Jobson	Oct-05
Wollongong SFC	Killea Rec Area	Replacement Ring	Gordon Jobson	Oct-05
Wollongong SFC	Bass Point	Replacement Ring	Gordon Jobson	Oct-05
Wollongong SFC	Windang Island	Replacement Ring	Gordon Jobson	Oct-05
Wollongong SFC	Windang Island	Replacement Ring	Gordon Jobson	Jan-06
Wollongong SFC	Killea Rec Area	Replacement Ring	Gordon Jobson	Jan-06
South Sydney AFA	Mahon Pool Nth Maroubra	Replacement Ring	John Burgess	Feb-06
South Sydney AFA	Shark Pt, Clovelly	Replacement Ring	John Burgess	Feb-06
ANSA NSW	Catherine Hill Bay	Replacement Ring	Yanko Serifi	Mar-06
ANSA NSW	Flat Is	New	Yanko Serifi	Mar-06
Manly SFC	Nth Curl Curl Pool	New	Bruce Olsen	Mar-06
Manly SFC	Nth Curl Curl Headland	New	Bruce Olsen	Mar-06
Manly SFC	Goat Tack, Sth Dee Why	New	Bruce Olsen	Mar-06
Manly SFC	Flat Rock, Harbord	New	Bruce Olsen	Mar-06
Wollongong SFC	Bass Point	Replacement Ring	Gordon Jobson	Apr-06
Wollongong SFC	Bass Point	Replacement Ring	Gordon Jobson	Apr-06
Wollongong SFC	Hill 60	Replacement Ring	Gordon Jobson	Apr-06
Wollongong SFC	Coalcliff	Replacement Ring	Gordon Jobson	Apr-06
Wollongong SFC	Bombo Headland Kiama	Replacement Ring	Gordon Jobson	Apr-06
Wollongong SFC	Windang Island	Replacement Ring	Gordon Jobson	Apr-06
Wollongong SFC	The Chair Bass Point		Gordon Jobson	
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South Sydney AFA	The Stake Maroubra	Replacement Ring/Post	S Konstantaras	
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South Sydney AFA	The Stake Maroubra	Replacement Ring	S Konstantaras	Apr-06
ANSA NSW	Munmorah SRA - Office	Spare Ring	Glen Gifford	May-06
ANSA NSW	Munmorah SRA - Office	Spare Ring	Glen Gifford	May-06
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ANSA NSW	Munmorah SRA - Office	Spare Ring	Glen Gifford	May-06
Wollongong SFC	Coalcliff	Replacement Ring	Gordon Jobson	May-06
Wollongong SFC	Hill 60	Replacement Ring	Gordon Jobson	May-06
Wollongong SFC	Bombo Headland Kiama	Replacement Ring	Gordon Jobson	May-06
Wollongong SFC	Windang Island	Replacement Ring	Gordon Jobson	May-06
Wollongong SFC	Hill 60	Replacement Plaque	Gordon Jobson	May-06
Wollongong SFC	Coalcliff	Replacement Plaque	Gordon Jobson	May-06
Wollongong SFC	Battery Point	Replacement Plaque	Gordon Jobson	May-06
ANSA NSW	Red Rock	New	Marilyn Allen	Jun-06
ANSA NSW	Red Rock	New	Marilyn Allen	Jun-06
ANSA NSW	Red Rock	New	Marilyn Allen	Jun-06
ANSA NSW	Red Rock	Spare Ring	Marilyn Allen	Jun-06
ANSA NSW	Red Rock	Spare Ring	Marilyn Allen	Jun-06
Manly SFC	Nth Curl Curl Pool	Replacement Ring/Post	Bruce Olsen	Aug-06
Manly SFC	Nth Curl Curl Headland	Replacement Ring/Post	Bruce Olsen	Aug-06
Manly SFC	Goat Tack, 5th Dee Why	Replacement Post	Bruce Olsen	Aug-06
Wollongong SFC	Coalcliff	Replacement Ring	Gordon Jobson	Sep-06
Wollongong SFC	Battery Point	Replacement Ring	Gordon Jobson	Sep-06
Wollongong SFC	Windang Island	Replacement Ring	Gordon Jobson	Sep-06
South Sydney AFA	Yellow Rock	Replacement Ring	S Konstantaras	Sep-06
ANSA NSW	Munmorah SRA - Office	Replacement Ring	Glen Gifford	Oct-06
ANSA NSW	Munmorah SRA - Office	Replacement Ring	Glen Gifford	Oct-06
ANSA NSW	Munmorah SRA - Office	Replacement Ring	Glen Gifford	Oct-06
ANSA NSW	Munmorah SRA - Office	Replacement Ring	Glen Gifford	Oct-06
ANSA NSW	Catherine Hill Bay	Replacement Ring	Yanko Serifi	Nov-06
South Sydney AFA	Yellow Rock	Replacement Ring/Post	S Konstantaras	Nov-06
South Sydney AFA	Yellow Rock	Replacement Ring/Post	S Konstantaras	Nov-06
South Sydney AFA	Jolong	Replacement Ring	S Konstantaras	Mar-07
South Sydney AFA	Cape Banks	Replacement Ring	S Konstantaras	Mar-07
South Sydney AFA	Nth Maroubra	Replacement Ring	S Konstantaras	Mar-07
ANSA NSW	Red Rock	Replacement Ring	Marilyn Allen	Dec-06
South Sydney AFA	Cape Banks	Replacement Ring	Ben Karnatz	Apr-07
South Sydney AFA	Jolong	Replacement Ring	Ben Karnatz	Apr-07
South Sydney AFA	The Trap	Replacement Ring	Ben Karnatz	Apr-07
South Sydney AFA	Nth Maroubra	Replacement Ring	Ben Karnatz	Apr-07
South Sydney AFA	Mahon Pool Nth Maroubra	Replacement Ring	Ben Karnatz	Apr-07
South Sydney AFA	Nth Maroubra	Replacement Ring	Ben Karnatz	Apr-07
Wollongong SFC	Blowhole Point Kiama	Replacement Ring	Gordon Jobson	Apr-07
Wollongong SFC	Blowhole Point Kiama	Replacement Ring	Gordon Jobson	Apr-07
Wollongong SFC	Blowhole Point Kiama	New Plaques	Gordon Jobson	Apr-07
Wollongong SFC	Blowhole Point Kiama	New Plaques	Gordon Jobson	Apr-07
Wollongong SFC	Marsden Headland	New Plaques	Gordon Jobson	Apr-07
ANSA NSW	Red Rock	Replacement Ring	Marilyn Allen	May-07
Wollongong SFC	Marsden Headland	Replacement Ring	Gordon Jobson	Jul-07
Wollongong SFC	Blowhole Point Kiama	Replacement Plaque	Gordon Jobson	Jul-07
Wollongong SFC	Blowhole Point Kiama	Replacement Plaque	Gordon Jobson	Jul-07
Wollongong SFC	Killea Rec Area	Replacement Ring	Gordon Jobson	Jul-07
Wollongong SFC	Killea Rec Area	Replacement Ring	Gordon Jobson	Jul-07
ANSA NSW	Moonee Headland	Replacement Ring	Yanko Serifi	Jul-07
ANSA NSW	Moonee Headland	Replacement Ring	Yanko Serifi	Jul-07
ANSA NSW	Moonee Headland	Replacement Ring	Yanko Serifi	Jul-07
ANSA NSW	Moonee Headland	Replacement Ring	Yanko Serifi	Jul-07
ANSA NSW	Catherine Hill Bay	Replacement Ring	Yanko Serifi	Jul-07
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ANSA NSW	Catherine Hill Bay	Replacement Ring	Yanko Serifi	Jul-07
ANSA NSW	Catherine Hill Bay	Replacement Ring/Post	Yanko Serifi	Jul-07
Tuross FC	One Tree Hill	Replacement Ring	Max Castle	Sep-07
Tuross FC	One Tree Hill	Replacement Plaque	Max Castle	Sep-07
Wollongong SFC	Windang Is	Replacement Ring	Gordon Jobson	Sep-07
Wollongong SFC	The Chair Bass Point	Replacement Ring	Gordon Jobson	Sep-07
Wollongong SFC	Minamurra River Mouth	Replacement Ring	Gordon Jobson	Sep-07
St George SFC	Curracuarng	Replacement Post/Ring	Phil Turner	Sep-07
Manly SFC	North Curl Curl	Replacement Ring	Bruce Olsen	Sep-07
Manly SFC	North Curl Curl Pool	Replacement Ring	Bruce Olsen	Sep-07
Manly SFC	Flat Rock	Replacement Ring	Bruce Olsen	Nov-07
South Sydney AFA	Cape Banks	Replacement Ring	Ben Karnatz	Dec-07
South Sydney AFA	The Gutter	Replacement Ring	Ben Karnatz	Dec-07
South Sydney AFA	The Stake	Replacement Ring	Ben Karnatz	Dec-07
Wollongong SFC	Bombo Headland Kiama	Replacement Ring	Gordon Jobson	Dec-07
Wollongong SFC	Bombo Headland Kiama	Replacement Ring	Gordon Jobson	Dec-07
Wollongong SFC	Marsdens Headland	Replacement Ring	Gordon Jobson	Dec-07
South Sydney AFA	Yellow Rock 1	Replacement Ring	Ben Karnatz	Jan-08
South Sydney AFA	Jullieanne	Replacement Ring	Ben Karnatz	Jan-08
Royal National Park	Curracuarng	Replacement Ring after rescue	Glenn Miller	Feb-08
Royal National Park	RNP Rangers Boat	New Ring for rescues	Glenn Miller	Feb-08
Wollongong SFC	Hill 60	Replacement Ring after rescue	Gordon Jobson	Feb-08
Manly SFC	Nth Curl Curl Pool	Refix and Replacement Ring	Bruce Olsen	Mar-08
Manly SFC	Nth Curl Curl	Replacement Ring/Post	Bruce Olsen	Mar-08
Manly SFC	Goat Track, 5th Dee Why	Replacement Ring	Bruce Olsen	Mar-08
ANSA NSW	Sth Dee Why Pool	New - Coroners Request	Stan Konstantaras	15 Mar 08
Wollongong SFC	Port Kembla	Replacement Ring	Gordon Jobson	Mar-08