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PREFACE

History of ANSA.

ANSA originated as result of fishing developments following the war, an increasing number of anglers started using modern tackle mainly bait casting rods and reels imported from the U.S., for bass, barramundi and for surfcasting. Developments are reflected clearly in magazines of the period. (Outdoors was first published in 1948, Anglers Digest in 1950).

There was an increasing recognition that the sporting value of many Australian species was not reflected in existing organisations.

From 1960 forward, a number of people had thought of the idea of a new sportfishing organisation. I do not know who was "first" to think of it but I do know that it was discussed for quite a few years by Sydney anglers and people such as myself - a country boy. I can put a finger on one such discussion, held on the roadside just south of Kiama, between myself, Jack Erskine and Ed Pratt. That was January 1964 during my first round Australia trip. I had started my exploration of Australian fishing on July 1 1963. The next couple of years, after repeated visits, I had realised that North Queensland offered the most potential for a fishing future. Others such as George Bransford had decided the same way.

I built my home in Cardwell in 1966, with the bricklaying being done by my friend Ed Pratt, who had moved north to Cairns about the same time. The ANSA concept was understood by a number of Cairns anglers, and I believe its success came because it reflected what was happening to Australian fishing. It could not have succeeded otherwise.

In February 1967 we formed the "Australian National Sportfishing Association" at a meeting in the old hall at Yorkey's Knob, just north of Cairns.

Within a few months a constitution had been drawn up and an account opened in the Cairns branch of the Bank of NSW in the name of the "Australian National Sportfishing Association" It is worth a mention that the late Wal Hardy was patron of that initial organisation.

Dick Lewers recorded that the NSW group "got the message" of the Cairns movement and responded by forming what was then the NSW division of ANSA on Saturday August 12 1967.

Three months later, in November 1967, Jack Erskine and Clyde Kelton with three NSW sport fishermen from Wollongong, John Kettle, Peter Fuller, and Bill Ferguson visited North Queensland in a light plane. Discussions took place with the Cairns group and the accepted name of ANSA was endorsed by both groups. However, it had already become clear that the NSW fraternity would not accept the Cairns constitution. Then, as now, State Divisions (branches) were more representative of regional interests. Accordingly, the Cairns ANSA group met on February 7 1968 and became instead the Cairns Sportfishing Club.

At this time there was no Queensland Division as such, however Dick Lewers and the National Organisation have always recognised that the Cairns Sportfishing Club has the unique distinction of being the first ANSA club.

The first NSW ANSA club was the St. George Sportfishing club, which had its first general meeting on November 13 1968. On December 13 1969 the first official body was formed as the "Australian National Sportfishing Association". The original A.N.S.A. badge design was selected from a competition published in "AUSTRALIAN SPORTFISHING", Summer edition 1969. The winning design was submitted by John Renolds, Liverpool, NSW.

It was agreed to form the first record chart from the then existing Queensland and N.S.W. record charts. ANSA's first official Queensland division was formed on August 5 1970 with only three clubs - Cairns, Maryborough, and Cardwell, with a State total of 150 members.

So far as ANSA goes the story since has been one of steady growth. We now have more than 200 clubs Nation wide. We are represented on every State fishing council, at Federal level, and on IGFA. Looking back we can see that the hassles over constitutions and rules, even point scores, were part of the process of developing sportfishing on a truly representative and wholly Australian basis.

One of the nicest thoughts is that many of those people who contributed to the forming of the association are still with us today.

Vic McCristal

The talk on the previous page was given by Vic at a Queensland State wide meeting held in Cairns, (1988).



NATIONAL BOARD 2012 – 2013

Chairman	Ron Poole
Executive Director	John Burgess
Business Director	Vacant
Membership Director	Joe Garufi
Financial Director	Sue Malton
Research & Development Director	Bill Sawynok
Promotions Director/Webmaster	Ron Poole
National Masters Keeper	Knut Gassmanis
National Recorder (Line Class)	Phil Turner
National Recorder (Length Only)	Bob Avery
National Safety Officer	Stan Konstantaras

MEMBER BRANCHES

New South Wales
 Northern Territory (Defunked)
 Queensland
 South Australia
 Tasmania
 Victoria
 Western Australia

LIFE MEMBERS

1979	*Eric Moller	Queensland
1980	Vic McCristal	Queensland
1982	John O'Sullivan	Queensland
1983	Dick Lewers	New South Wales
1983	Pat Hunter	New South Wales
1983	*Hank Newman	New South Wales
1983	*Alex Blair	Victoria
1983	*Robert Dunn	New South Wales
1984	Mick Dohnt	Queensland
1984	Geoff Hawkins	New South Wales
1984	Bill Glasson	Victoria
1992	Steve Theofanes	Queensland
1992	Ron Poole	Queensland
1992	Joe Leonard	Victoria
1992	Tom Mohr	Victoria
1992	*Les Brown	South Australia
1995	Nik Phizacklea	Victoria
2001	Bill Harvey	New South Wales
2006	John Burgess	New South Wales
2007	Bill Sawynok	Queensland
2007	Stan Konstantaras	New South Wales

*Deceased

National Chairman's Report

The year has been a busy one with many items affecting recreational fishing in Australia. Probably the biggest threat was from the largest fishing trawler ever to be allowed to enter Australian waters. The "MARGIRIS" super trawler was initially allowed into the waters of our southern ocean in 2012.

This resulted in probably the biggest people rebuttal in our recent history. Thankfully this prevented the vessel plundering the ocean for the small pelagic species that feed many of our larger blue water fishes. With nets as large as the Sydney Harbour Bridge the devastation would have seen the end of what we know as the food chain of larger species.

Several different organizations accepted the challenge as well as ANSA, ARFF and Recfish to stop the government of the day from going ahead with the plan. The "Keep Australia Fishing" website was very aggressive with information and this coupled with other submissions and personal representations with politicians from all sides of the political fence thankfully resulted in the back down of the government plans to license the Margiris to fish in Australian waters. Hopefully the newly elected Australian government will not reopen the door for the Margiris, or any other super trawlers to return to our national waters.

The planned marine reserves have also been a contentious issue with ANSA placing several submissions before the Australian government challenging the proposed lock out of recreational fishers from vast areas of the Australian ocean when other more threatening activities would be permitted. Now that has been a change of government the onus is on the Coalition to now make good its promise to review the entire marine reserve planning process and deliver a better deal for recreational fishers.

A new rulebook was published and sent to all branches in late 2012 for distribution to club members. Production and distribution of the rulebook is quite a large expense for ANSA (around \$5000 plus postage). With the growing popularity of the Internet and availability of modern technology members also have ready access to the latest rulebook on the web site. The next review of rule changes is scheduled for 2016.

Some ANSA affiliation fees have been reduced. Senior fees have been reduced from \$10.00 to \$8.00 and junior members fees have been discarded. All other fees remain the same. These fee reductions have been possible due to better communication systems used by National. The use of the Internet and emails has reduced the need for face-to-face meetings and the savings have been passed on to members.

The Angel Ring project continues to grow under the stewardship of Stan Konstantaras, National Safety Officer. The Angel Ring project initiated by ANSA NSW some 30 years ago has so far saved over 30 confirmed lives. Angel Rings are now being installed in all States where rockfishing is prevalent. FRDC will be contributing \$90000 in grant moneys for the Angel Ring national rollout.

No changes occurred in the National Executive. Ken Johnson and Phil Turner have kept me busy with record updates and Knut Gasmannis has soldiered on with Masters records. Sue Malton has handled the finances without any problems and Joe Garufi continues as membership and ANSAWARE Director.

Bill Sawynok is our Research Director and though we rarely see him he has been extremely active with FRDC and other organizations promoting fish tagging and looking after tag research for those requiring recapture data for research purposes.

John Burgess, Executive Officer, what can I say, without John ANSA would not have the high public profile it has today. John constantly represents ANSA on all manner of issues relative to recreational fishing. John is a board member of the ARFF and Recfish Australia and represents ANSA on a wide range of commonwealth and state committees dealing with issues of critical significance to ANSA and its members.

To the entire executive I give my thanks. Being in the far north of this great country there is little opportunity to mix with the people that make our laws. We are indeed lucky to have such an active national board that can meet with the movers and shakers and put forward our angling aspirations. We all hope for a better future for all recreational anglers and that our freedom to fish anywhere continues for our children.

Signed

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'R Poole'.

Ron Poole
Chairman
ANSA National

National Executive Director's Report

Another challenging and busy year for ANSA at both a National and branch level. Listed below is a snapshot of some of the many issues concerning recreational fishing that ANSA has been actively involved in over the past year.

National Marine Reserve Network. At a national level ANSA has worked closely with all commonwealth government agencies associated with the rollout of the national marine reserve network. Fortunately for NSW recreational fishers the declared marine reserve zones off the NSW coast are a long way off shore and not easily accessible by ordinary recreational vessels. Unfortunately though, recreational fishers in WA and Qld did not fare as well as NSW with the Coral Sea "no fish" zones being about twice the size of the state of Victoria. ANSA in conjunction with all other national and state peak recreational fishing bodies has tried in vain to negotiate a better outcome for recreational fishers with the Federal Government. The roll out of the marine reserve network is now at the final stage of completion with the management plan regulations passed through the house of reps but still to go through the senate. Progress of the management plan through the senate has been put on hold because of the pending elections. Also the Coalition has a disallowance motion against the regulation listed with the senate. ANSA and other peak bodies have requested an immediate independent scientific review of the commonwealth marine reserve process and a more fisher friendly interpretation of IUCN¹¹ categorisation which defines recreational fishing as an extractive industry and therefore a non allowable activity. It will be interesting to see what impact the Federal election will have on the marine reserve rollout. A full review of the marine reserve planning process has been promised by the Coalition. ANSA will continue to be engaged in the marine reserve debate regardless of who is in power.

Supertrawler. While ANSA and other like minded peak body groups have been successful in stopping the trawler from pillaging our bait fish stocks in southern waters, this threat keeps on resurfacing. Sea fish Tasmania, the company behind the planned use of the Margiris supertrawler to fish for small pelagic species in Australian waters has appealed to the Federal Court against the government's 2 year embargo on use of the supertrawler pending the outcome of an environmental impact assessment of the supertrawler's operations. The Federal Court has not yet handed down a decision so let's hope that the legal system will keep the supertrawler well away from our small pelagic/bait fishery. Also now that there may be a change of government in Canberra there are concerns that the Coalition may make good its pre election commitment to overturn the 2 year embargo and throw its support behind the supertrawler proposal. Hopefully common sense will prevail here and our small pelagic fishery will remain protected from the ravaging impacts of supertrawler operations. If not then the battle to protect our commonwealth fisheries will be on again.

Caltex Dredging. ANSA has formally asked the Federal Environment Minister to intervene in the proposal by Caltex to dredge and expand its berthing facilities at Kurnell (Botany Bay) and to dispose of some 153000 cubic metres of TBT contaminated sediment by dumping the bulk of it at sea 10km south east of Sydney Heads - TBT is a very toxic substance historically associated with anti fouling. NSW authorities have given a conditional green light to the dredging proposal but the dumping at sea requires Commonwealth approval. ANSA's preference is that the contaminated spoil be treated and disposed off at an appropriate land fill site. Compensatory offsets for loss of recreational fishing access will be sought from Caltex regardless of the outcome.

Grey Nurse Sharks. ANSA has had a long and active role in the management of GNS and we did participate in the NSW review of GNS Critical Habitat Zones and the type of fishing activity and tackle allowed in some of these zones. Outcomes of these reviews saw the revocation of GNS critical habitat at Bass Point and modification of the shape of the habitat zone at Magic Point (Maroubra) and Green Island (South West Rocks). Land based line fishing with bait is now allowed adjacent to these modified zones. ANSA is still engaged with the National GNS Recovery Plan and is hopeful this document will be publicly released soon - it has been in draft form since 2009. It is very clear that more research is desperately needed to get a clearer picture on the size of the eastern seaboard GNS population. Pleasingly some of the more recent research has shown numbers to be substantially in excess of those low number of around 400 that have been frequently mentioned in the media. The current estimate of GNS numbers on the east coast is now between 1131 and 2142 individual sharks. Anecdotal evidence is that the population number is well in excess of these estimates as the period and location of the latest research was very limited and hampered by bad weather. While we will never know exactly what the GNS population is there is some comfort in the knowledge that the latest figures are a vast improvement on those estimated in 2004 and it is arguable that the population has increased or the earlier research estimates were incorrect or a combination of both.

Boat Trailer Parking. Most owners of boats over 6m in length would probably be unaware that it is illegal to park a vehicle (including a trailer over 7.5m including whatever is loaded on the trailer) on a public road in a built up area for more than one hour. A number of Sydney coastal and harbour side councils have been pushing for some time have the National Road Rules amended so that they have very broad delegated powers to issue infringement notices and impose penalties for parking of boat trailers of any size on public roads. To date councils have not been given these powers but a Boat Trailer Working group was established by the NSW government last year to consider all options. A report and recommendations have been completed and these have yet to be decided upon by the NSW government. Regrettably though Councils do have the power under section 200 of the Road Rules to impose fines on parked trailers over 7.5m in length. Historically few councils have opted to exercise this delegated power until now. One eastern suburbs council has issued warning notices to all boat/ trailer rig owners over 7.5 m to move their boats off the road or face heavy fines. None of these trailers were parked unsafely and all were registered and in regular use. The concern now is that this precedent may spread to other councils. ANSA has taken this issue up with the NSW Minister for Roads and Ports and has requested ACORF to write to the NSW Fisheries Minister seeking her intercession. ANSA has also via its membership of Recfish and ARFF requested the intervention of all national and state recreational fishing peak bodies and the issue will be raised with the Federal Roads Minister. Rule 200 has application not just in NSW but across all states and territories. Hopefully we can get this sorted out before the cancer spreads.

Fishing Safety. ANSA continues to take the lead on fishing safety issues both in NSW and nationally. The Angel Ring project which has saved numerous lives in NSW is being rolled out nationally and ANSA has been at the forefront in the debate about the compulsory wearing of life jackets by land based fishers. Safety Officer Stan Konstantaras will go into more detail on these issues in his report.

Murray Darling Basin. ANSA in conjunction with other peak recreational bodies has formally voiced concerns that the issue of recreational fishing was not initially factored into the political debate on the future management of the MDB. This has been rectified but there are still a lot of conflicting issues to be sorted out between the various states and the commonwealth in terms of water allocation and how our water reserves are prioritised but hopefully in the final wash up we will end up with a much healthier river system and a better and more productive vital inland fishery.

State Marine Parks. ANSA has also taken an active role in the planning and review of state marine parks as these are the source of most angst and concern for recreational fishers given their close proximity to the coast and spread over much of the state's coastline. For better or worse it is now fashionable for all Australian states to now have their own networks of state marine parks and the locations of these marine parks and the zonings do have a major impact on both land and boat based recreational fishing with access to favoured and safe fishing locations frequently being declared off limits. If your state branch requires assistance and support from ANSA national in dealing with these challenges then let us know.

NSW Marine Parks. ANSA did participate in the independent audit of NSW marine parks and we have had preliminary meetings with the members of the newly formed NSW Marine Estate Management Authority and the Marine Expert Knowledge panel which have been set up to replace the NSW Marine Parks Authority and to manage the entire NSW marine estate which includes all coastal waters, estuaries and beaches. One of the immediate benefits to come from all of these activities was an amnesty to allow recreational line fishing from ocean beaches and headlands in most marine park sanctuary zones. An assessment of the impacts of this amnesty is currently in process. ANSA has high hopes that these new bodies will engage with recreational fishers and that the outcome will be a better coordinated management of our marine estate with proper regard to recreational fishing as an important socio economic activity.

Cronulla Fisheries. Despite a strong campaign to stop the closure of Cronulla Fisheries, including ANSA appearing before an Upper House inquiry, the closure went ahead with a resultant loss of over 100 staff not prepared to relocate to regional offices. The loss of so many key research and management staff has had an obvious impact on Fisheries. Those that have stayed on are doing a great job under difficult circumstances. Thankfully the department is now in the process of recruiting new staff and time will hopefully see NSW Fisheries back on top of its brief.

Botany Bay. ANSA has been represented on a number of committees associated with the expansion of Port Botany. ANSA has been fortunate to stop a number of proposals to restrict fishing access on waters adjacent to the port. The issue of compensation for loss of much of the bay (which is a recreational fishing haven) as part of the port reclamation has been a sore point for ANSA for many years. We have unsuccessfully pushed the case for compensation with a variety of responsible Ministers over the past decade. Now that Port Botany has been privatised and sold the NSW government has undertaken it will provide funding for the installation of 2 offshore artificial reefs south of Botany Bay as part of a compensation package. A similar off shore artificial reef compensation package has been negotiated for the south coast following privatisation and sale of Port Kembla.

Review of NSW saltwater/ Freshwater Fishing Rules. Both ANSA NSW and ANSA National have participated in the review process and have questioned the lack of science and purpose behind the proposed bag and size limit reviews which essentially involve a halving of bag limits for most bread and butter species. None of these species is under threat from recreational fishing or is overfished. There has been no evaluation of the conservation effectiveness of the rule changes introduced in 2007 or any assessment of the impact the reduced bag limit changes will have on recreational take if adopted and made law. Hopefully good common sense will prevail and any changes, if implemented, will have minimal impact on recreational fishers and will not infringe upon the capacity of recreational fishers to exercise value decisions on how many fish to take and keep.

Peak Bodies / Committees. ANSA remains a full member of Recfish Australia and is one of the foundation members of the recently established Australian Recreational

Fishing Foundation (ARFF) which is a new national peak body which will hopefully combine the membership of all national and state recreational fishing peak bodies and industry players including the Australian Fishing Trade Association (AFTA), the Boating Industry Association of Australia (BIAA) and Keep Australia Fishing (KAF). This new body which is based in Canberra will forge the future basis for collective action on all national issues that have a relevance to recreational fishing. ANSA is a full member ARFF and I am the ANSA representative on the ARFF Board. ARFF has been extremely influential in raising the profile and concerns of recreational fishing at a high political level in Canberra and will continue to professionally represent recreational fishers on all issues of national significance. Some of the major issues we have joined forces with ARFF and KAF have included the Commonwealth Marine Reserves rollout, blocking the Margiris supertrawler, review of Commonwealth Fisheries Management, Development of a National Recreational Fishing Charter, opposition to the listing of Smooth Hammerhead sharks as vulnerable and a very successful politicians fishing completion which will hopefully become an annual event. ANSA was also a member of Minister Ludwig's Recreational Fishing Round table which met quarterly as a forum for open discussion between the recreational sector and the Fisheries Minister and senior staff from all commonwealth fishing and environmental agencies on all issues material to recreational fishing. Whether there will be a Roundtable in one forum or another beyond the elections is uncertain. ANSA continues to hold positions on a wide variety of commonwealth and state government consultancy committees. ANSA is also a member of the International Game Fish Association (IGFA) and both Bill Sawynok and myself are Australian representatives on that body.

Membership – Membership Services and Financial. From a membership and financial perspective ANSA is travelling well. Our membership numbers have remained fairly constant and a number of new clubs have joined the ANSA ranks. Cost effective measures have enabled us to reduce the senior membership fee from \$10 to \$8 and to remove entirely the junior membership fee. New ANSA promotional brochures have been produced and are available at no cost to member clubs and or branches. ANSA promotional banners have also been provided to most state branches at no cost and sufficient 2012 rule books have been distributed to the branch network to ensure every member has a personal rule book. Additional rule books are available upon request. New stocks of high quality ANSA brag mats are now available for sale and a new website has been established and there is now an ANSA facebook page (www.facebook.com/ANSA.National) for those who like to be tech savvy.

Thank you. ANSA could not undertake all of its activities if it were not for the very small team of dedicated volunteers at a branch and national level who generously give up their time to get involved in these issues. I would especially mention Ron Poole our Chairman and Webmaster. Ron has been the ANSA Webmaster for as long as I can remember and has steadfastly kept the flag flying on the National and several Branch websites. Ron will be staying on as Chairman but has recently handed over the reins of the website to a new contractor. Thank you Ron for the tremendous contribution. There are always openings and opportunities for new faces on the branch and national committees so why not take the plunge and get involved. It's a challenging and rewarding commitment.



John Burgess
Executive Officer/Director. ANSA National Ltd
Vice President. ANSA NSW

National Finance Director's Report

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FINANCE DIRECTOR'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2013

Financial statements for the financial year end 30 June 2013 together with comparative results for the preceding year are appended. The following points are highlighted:

- a) The Association traded at a surplus of \$15305 for the 2012/13 year. This is substantially down on the previous year's surplus of \$30519 but substantially better than the forecast deficit of \$1000. The major factor behind this substantial variation was the receipt of a further \$24420 in FRDC grant money for the Angel Ring National roll out project against which expenditure of \$9132 only was incurred over the 2012/13 financial year. All told \$46420 has been received via the FRDC grant and a further \$44000 remains to be handed over. Expenditure of the grant money has been delayed due to approval impediments most of which have now been resolved. Full drawdown of the remaining \$44000 grant (and expenditure \$80000) have been factored into the 2013/14 budget but actual expenditure may extend beyond the 2013/14 financial year. Notional exclusion of the grant funding and expenditure from the 2012/13 results would have seen the association generate a break even surplus of \$18.
- b) Income over the 2012/13 year of \$50157 was greater than the previous year's level of \$47842 and close to the budget forecast of \$52800. Other than for the timing and amount of the FRDC grant money, the main variance was due to a decreased level of membership fees \$20051 (\$22458 11/12) but the previous year was inflated as a result of the late payment of fees due from the 2010/11 year. ANSA Ware sales were up to \$2120 (\$586 11/12) due to a restocking of ANSA brag mats. Interest earned on term deposits etc of \$2833 (\$2458 11/12) was \$333 more than budget. A claim for underpaid interest over previous years by the ANZ was also successful with an amount of \$733 received in settlement making interest for the year \$3566.
- c) Expenditure over the 2012/13 year was \$34851 as compared to \$17323 for the previous year and substantially below budget forecast of \$54800. Other than for the impact of the FRDC grant moneys, the main variance to budget was expenditure \$2224 on promotional brochures and \$1745 on ANSA banners – these were budgeted at \$3000 and \$1000 respectively. Unbudgeted membership fees of \$500 were paid to ARFF but this was offset by non payment of \$250 in membership fees to AFTA. Audit fees of \$550 were paid as opposed to budget \$1200 as we are still awaiting a fee invoice for the audit of the 2011/12 accounts. Phone and Internet expenses were \$1606 and Post & Stationary \$2512 as opposed to budgets of \$900 and \$2000 respectively. Unbudgeted expenditure of \$834 was incurred attending the 2012 Recfishing National Conference.

d) The Association at year end 30 June 2013 possessed total assets of \$124440 (\$109135 @ 2012) consisting primarily of cash at bank \$52284, term deposit \$65213, ANSA Ware stock on hand \$6386 and accrued but unpaid interest \$557, The association has no external liabilities. Overall the Association had a net equity of \$124440 at 30 June 2013 but this includes \$37288 of unexpended FRDC grant moneys.

e) A financial budget forecast for the 2013/14 is attached. For the coming year the company is forecasting a deficit of \$32800. This deficit is predicated on income for the coming year of \$67800 which includes the \$44000 balance of the FRDC grant. Other than for affiliation fees which have been budgeted at \$19000 (to reflect the reduction of some fee categories) all other sources of income are generally in line with actual receipts for 2012/13.

Expenditure of \$100600 is forecast for 2013/14 which includes \$80000 for the Angel Ring project (this may extend into the following year). Audit fees of \$1200 have been budgeted for which includes an expected \$600 for the 2011/12 audit and a like amount for the 2012/13 audit. A provisional budget allowance of \$2000 has been made for possible subsidy of an ANSA delegate attending the World recreational fishing conference in 2014 – this expenditure has not yet been approved by the ANSA Board.

Notional exclusion of the FRDC grant funding and related expenditure should see the association generate a traditional surplus of \$3200 over 2013/14.



Sue Malton
Finance Director
ANSA National
10 October, 2013

Reconciliation of trading results to budget for year ending 30.6.2013
Budget forecast for 2013/14 financial year

	<u>Budget</u> <u>2013/14</u>	<u>Actual</u> <u>2012/13</u>	<u>Budget</u> <u>2012/13</u>	<u>Actual</u> <u>2011/12</u>
Income				
Branch affiliation fees	19000	20051	20000	22458
ANSA Ware sales	1500	2120	1000	586
Bank Interest	3000	3566	2500	2498
Govt grants - Angel Rings national	44000	24420	30000	22000
Web Advertising	<u>300</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>300</u>	<u>300</u>
Total Income	<u>67800</u>	<u>50157</u>	<u>53800</u>	<u>47842</u>
Expenditure				
Travel/ Accomodation/ Meals	8000	8031	8000	5457
Recfish membership	550	550	550	550
IGFA Membership	100	0	0	386
ARFF membership	500	500	0	0
AFTA Membership	250	0	250	220
Auditor fees	1200	550	1200	0
Insurance	600	525	500	480
Website	1500	160	300	242
Phone /internet	1500	1606	900	735
Bank fees	0	5	0	15
Post/ Stationery	2500	2512	2000	1428
Records/ Masters expenses	200	62	400	396
ASIC Fees	100	86	100	84
Depreciation	0	0	0	0
Cost of goods sold	1500	1718	1500	1243
Sundries				
Computer upgrade/supplies	100	516	0	0
Angel Ring Project	80000	9132	30000	0
Promo' Junior T Shirts	0	0	0	3300
Promo' ANSA Stickers	0	0	0	1420
ANSA Banners	0	745	1000	0
ANSA Promo Brochures	0	2224	3000	0
	<u>Budget</u> <u>2013/14</u>	<u>Actual</u> <u>2012/13</u>	<u>Budget</u> <u>2012/13</u>	<u>Actual</u> <u>2011/12</u>
Rule Book printing	0	5095	5100	0
Angel Ring Legals	0	0	0	1367
Recfish Conference Expenses	0	834	0	0
Donations	0	0	0	0
International Conference subsidy	2000	0	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Total Expenditure	<u>100600</u>	<u>34851</u>	<u>54800</u>	<u>17323</u>
Net profit/(Loss)	<u>-32800</u>	<u>15306</u>	<u>-1000</u>	<u>30519</u>

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STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2013

	Notes	2013	2012
REVENUES FROM ORDINARY ACTIVITIES	2	50157	47842
Office and stationery expense	3	(4118)	(2163)
Dues and subscriptions	3	(1050)	(1156)
Travel and meeting expense	3	(8031)	(5457)
Audit fees	10	(550)	0
Legal Fees	3	0	(1367)
Conference Fees	3	(834)	0
Bank & Finance expense	3	(5)	(15)
Other expenses.	3	(11132)	(7165)
Angel Ring Grant expenditure	3	(9132)	0
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PROFIT FROM ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE INCOME TAX EXPENSE		15305	30519
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INCOME TAX EXPENSE		0	0
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TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE INCOME ATTRIBUTABLE TO MEMBERS OF THE AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL SPORTFISHING ASSOCIATION LTD	8	15305	30519
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The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements

ANSA - AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL SPORTFISHING ASSOCIATION LTD

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BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 30 JUNE 2013

	Notes	2013	2012
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash		52284	42532
Term Deposit		65213	61654
Inventory	4	6386	3666
Receivables	5	557	1283
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS		<u>124440</u>	<u>109135</u>
		0	0
NON CURRENT ASSETS			
TOTAL NON CURRENT ASSETS		<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
TOTAL ASSETS		<u>124440</u>	<u>109135</u>
CURRENT LIABILITES		0	0
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES		<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES		<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
NET ASSETS		<u>124440</u>	<u>109135</u>
EQUITY			
Retained profits	8	124440	109135
TOTAL EQUITY		<u>124440</u>	<u>109135</u>

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements

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CASH FLOW STATEMENT

YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2013

	Notes	2013	2012
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES			
Receipts from operations		46591	45344
Payments to suppliers and employees		(37571)	(16129)
Interest received		4291	2527
	9(a)	<u>13311</u>	<u>31742</u>
NET CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES			
NET INCREASE IN CASH HELD		13311	31742
		<u>104186</u>	<u>72444</u>
Add opening cash brought forward			
CLOSING CASH CARRIED FORWARD	9(b)	<u>117497</u>	<u>104186</u>

STATEMENT OF CHANGES OF EQUITY

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2013

	Retained Profit
	\$
At 1 July 2011	78616
Profit for period	30519
Other comprehensive Income	<u>0</u>
At 30 June 2012	<u>109135</u>
At 1 July 2012	109135
Profit for period	15305
Other comprehensive Income	<u>0</u>
At 30 June 2013	<u>124440</u>

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

30 JUNE 2013

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

(a) Basis of accounting

This financial report is a special purpose financial report prepared in order to satisfy the financial report preparation requirements of the Corporations Act 2001. The directors have determined that the company is not a reporting entity.

The report has been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Corporations Act 2001 and the following applicable Accounting Standards and Urgent Issues Group Consensus Views:

AASB 108:	Accounting Policies
AASB 101:	Presentation of Financial Statements
AASB 137:	Provisions, Contingent Liabilities and Contingent Assets

No other applicable Accounting Standards, Urgent Issues Group Interpretations or other authoritative pronouncements of the Australian Accounting Standards Board have been applied.

The report is also prepared on an accruals basis, except for membership fee income, which is recognised on a cash basis. The report is based upon historic costs and does not take into account changing money values or, except where stated, current valuations of non-current assets.

The following material accounting policies, which are consistent with the previous period, unless otherwise stated, have been adopted in the preparation of this report.

(b) Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and short-term deposits in the balance sheet, cash at bank and in hand and short-term deposits with an original maturity of three months or less.

(c) Inventories

Inventories are valued at the lower of cost and realisable value.

(d) Trade debtors and other receivables

Trade receivables are recognised and carried at original invoice amount.

(e) Trade and other payables

Liabilities for trade creditors and other amounts are carried at cost, which is the fair value of the consideration to be paid in the future for goods and services received.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

30 JUNE 2013

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

(f) Revenue recognition

Revenue is recognised to the extent that it is probable that the economic benefits will flow to the Association and the revenue can be reliably measured.

(g) Income tax

The Association is exempt from paying income tax due to it being a not for profit entity under s50-5 of the Income Tax Assessment Act 1997.

(h) Comparatives

Where necessary, comparatives have been reclassified and repositioned for consistency with current year disclosures.

	2013	2012
2. REVENUE FROM ORDINARY ACTIVITIES		
Revenues from operating activities		
Membership dues	20051	22458
Merchandise	2120	586
Advertising	0	300
Total revenue from operating activities	<u>22171</u>	<u>23344</u>
Revenues from non-operating activities		
Interest	3566	2498
Angel Ring/Water Safety Grant	24420	22000
	<u>27986</u>	<u>24498</u>
Total revenues from ordinary activities	<u><u>50157</u></u>	<u><u>47842</u></u>

3. EXPENSES

Bank & Finance Expenses	5	15
Conference Expense	834	0
Travel and meeting expense	8031	5457
Dues & Subs	1050	1156
Angel Ring Project - Legal expenses	0	1367
" " " - Project expenses	9132	0
	<u>19052</u>	<u>7995</u>

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	2013	2012
Office and Stationery expenses		
Telephone and email	1606	735
Postage, delivery, office supplies	2512	1428
	4118	2163
Other expenses from ordinary activities		
Insurance	525	480
Cost of goods sold	1718	1243
Website	160	242
Depreciation	0	0
ASIC fees	86	84
Records & Masters expense	62	396
Donations	0	0
Computer Supplies	516	0
Promotion Kids T shirts	0	3300
Promotion ANSA Stickers	0	1420
Promotion ANSA Brochures	2224	0
Promotion ANSA Banners	745	0
Rule Book Production	5095	0
	11131	7165
4. INVENTORY		
Goods held for sale	6386	3666
	6386	3666
5. RECEIVABLES		
Accrued Interest	557	1283
	557	1283
6. NON CURRENT ASSETS	0	0
	0	0
7. PAYABLES	0	0
	0	0
8. RETAINED PROFITS		
Balance at the beginning of the year	109135	78616
Net profit attributable to the members of the Australian National Sportfishing Association Ltd	15305	30519
Balance at end of year	124440	109135

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

30 JUNE 2013

2013 2012

9. STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

(a) Reconciliation of the operating profit after tax

To the net cash flows from operations

Profit/(loss) from ordinary activities after tax	15305	30519
Adjustment for		
Depreciation	0	0
Adjustments for Changes in Assets and Liabilities		
(Increase)/decrease in receivables	726	29
(Increase)/decrease in inventory	(2720)	1194
Increase/(decrease) in payables	0	0
Net cash flow from/(used in) operating activities	<u>13311</u>	<u>31742</u>

(b) Reconciliation of cash

Cash balance comprises:		
- Cash on hand	52284	42532
- Term Deposit	65213	61654
Closing cash balance	<u>117497</u>	<u>104186</u>

10. AUDITORS' REMUNERATION

Amounts received or due and receivable to James Murphy &Co for an audit of the entity and other services.

	550	0
	<u>550</u>	<u>0</u>

11. COMPANY DETAILS

The registered office of the company is:

6 Byrne Crescent,
Maroubra NSW 2035

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DIRECTORS' DECLARATION

The directors have determined that the company is not a reporting entity. The directors have determined that this special purpose financial report should be prepared in accordance with the accounting policies outlined in Note 1 to the financial statements.

The directors of the company declare that:

(a) the financial statements and notes of the company financial report:

(i) comply with Accounting Standards as detailed in Note 1 to the financial statements and the Corporations Act 2001; and


(ii) give a true and fair view of the company's financial position as at 30 June 2013 and of its performance for the year ended on that date in accordance with the accounting policies described in Note 1 to the financial statements.

(b) In the directors' opinion there are reasonable grounds to believe that the company will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable.

This declaration is made in accordance with a resolution of the Board of Directors.



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Director



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Director

Dated: 10 October 2013

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Directors' Report

Your directors present their report on the company for the financial year ended 30 June 2013

The names of the directors in office at any time during or since the end of the year are:

Chairman	Mr Ron Poole 9 Jeannie Court Rasmussan Qld 4815
Executive Officer/Director	Mr John Burgess 6 Byrne Crescent Maroubra NSW 2035
Business Director	Vacant
Finance Director/Treasurer	Mrs Suzanne Malton 41 Smith Street Kalbarri WA 6536
Membership Services Director	Mr Joe Garufi 2/8 Brittain Crescent Hillsdale NSW 2036
Research Director	Mr Bill Sawynok PO Box 9793 Frenchville QLD 4701
Promotions Director	Mr Ron Poole 9 Jeannie Court Rasmussan QLD 4815
Director/ National Masters Keeper	Mr Knut Gassmanis 41 David Terrace Morphett Vale SA 5162
National Recorders	Mr Phil Turner 2A Old Bush Road Yarrawarra NSW 2233
	Mr Bob Avery 19 Camden Court Annandale QLD 4814
National Safety Officer	Mr Stan Konstantaras 13 Keysor Road Pagewood NSW 2035

Directors have been in office since the start of the financial year to the date of this report unless otherwise stated.

The company made a profit for the financial year of \$ 15305

No significant changes in the company's state of affairs occurred during the financial year.

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The principal activity of the company during the financial year was to provide encouragement and support to Sportfishing in Australia.

No significant change in the nature of these activities occurred during the year.

No matters or circumstances have arisen since the end of the financial year which significantly affected or may significantly affect the operations of the company, the results of those operations, or the state of affairs of the company in future financial years.

Likely developments in the operations of the company and the expected results of those operations in future financial years have not been included in this report as the inclusion of such information is likely to result in unreasonable prejudice to the company.

The company's operations are not regulated by any significant environmental regulation under a law of the Commonwealth or of a State or Territory.

No indemnities have been given or insurance premiums paid, during or since the end of the financial year, for any person who is or has been an officer or auditor of the company.

No person has applied for leave of Court to bring proceedings on behalf of the company or intervene in any proceedings to which the company is a party for the purpose of taking responsibility on behalf of the company for all or any part of those proceedings.

The company was not a party to any such proceedings during the year.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the Board of Directors:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Günzer', written in a cursive style.

Director

Dated this 10th day of October 2013

National Membership Director's Report

ANSA National's total membership at the year ending 30.6.2013 was 3094. This comprised of New South Wales 1142, Queensland 1138, Victoria 388, Western Australia 329, South Australia 57 and Tasmania 40. These numbers are up compared to last years membership tally of 3040. New South Wales membership decreased by 36. Queensland's membership increased by 101 members. South Australia's membership decrease by 5 members; Victoria's membership decreased by 28 members; Western Australia's membership increased by 30 members and Tasmania's membership decreased by 8 members. Overall ANSA National's membership increased by 54 members nationally. A good result. As a whole, ANSA National's membership flutters above the 3000 mark.

Branch census and membership forms are very important. Completing the census form correctly and receiving the quarterly membership by the due dates for each quarter is essential. To date all branch census forms have been received and our contact email database is up to date. If details change it is imperative that a new census form be completed and submitted to ANSA National. This ensures the flow of information is reaching the desired contacts in each State. Membership form submissions by most States as a whole have improved significantly. A little reminder is needed sometimes, but overall I believe the Branch executives do a great job. If there are Branches that need any sort of assistance each quarter, please contact me and collectively we can work things out.

If you are not receiving ANSA National information please contact me and I can sort this out with you or your Branch or Club.

Promotion of ANSA at a National, Branch and Club level is a high priority, particularly as a means of sourcing new members. ANSA National has revamped its high quality promotional brochures. These brochures are now available and can be tailored to suit the unique needs of individual Branches and Clubs. The new brochures are available free to Branches and Clubs upon request. Contact me if you require a supply.

Other promotional tools such as ANSA ware is still available and is moving steadily. ANSA National has plenty of stock so ensure your members know. It's just another way your State or clubs within your State can promote ANSA. As you are aware the new stock of approved ANSA brag mats has arrived and already several orders have been received and dispatched. All your ANSA ware can now be purchase on line by simply visiting the "ANSA Shop" on our website at www.ansa.com.au/shop/. No more forms or cheques.

Remember, ANSA ware can be used to promote ANSA and your club and serve as an effective membership recruitment tool. Prices are very reasonable across the entire product range.

ANSA National has launched a new website. The aim of the new website was to improve navigation to make it easier to locate relevant information to the user. The new website has a new, modern and crisp look, so visit the site and see what you think. The website address has not changed and remains as www.ansa.com.au. Any feed back would be appreciated in an effort to maintain the site into the future.

ANSA National is now on facebook too. So far the facebook paged has over 100 likes in its short inception. The page itself hits hundreds of facebook walls and is just another way ANSA is ensuring current information and events can be communicated to its members nationally, whilst raising the interests of those who are not yet ANSA members. Visit the ANSA National facebook page at www.facebook.com/ANSA.National.

Safe Fishing,



Joe Garufi
Membership Services Director
ANSA National

National Research/Development Director's Report

ANSA RESEARCH REPORT 2012/13

Tagging within ANSA continues with Suntag leading the way in Queensland. Westag in Western Australia and Saftag in South Australia continue to function at low levels.

A full report on Suntag and Westag activities is contained in the Infofish Citizen Science and Suntag Report 2012/13 which is available from the Suntag website www.info-fish.net/suntag.

This year the Suntag database passed it's most significant milestone in its 27 years with over 1,000,000 fish and crab records in the database. It is one of the largest volunteer tagged fish databases in the world, probably the largest. Making up that total are 692,000 tagged fish and crabs, 280,500 other fish from catch records and 54,700 recaptures with over 25,000 fishers contributing information to make up that total. Special recognition needs to go to the 100 Frequent Taggers that have tagged over 267,000 fish or almost 40% of the total number tagged.

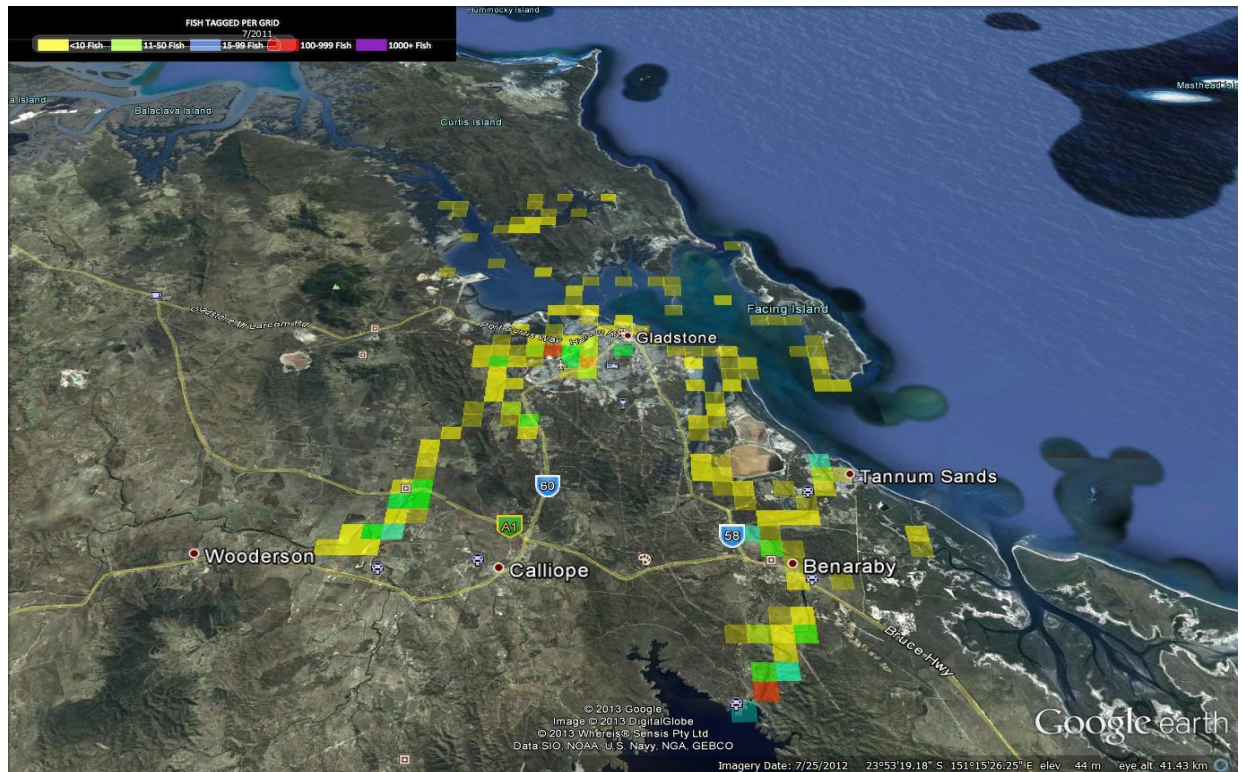


The support of the Queensland Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry and all those that have contributed to the program over the past 27 years has allowed the continued growth and development of Suntag to where it is today.

Some of the features of Suntag and the database that make it world class:

- ✦ Built using industrial strength database software and tools
- ✦ Online access through Suntag Online from anywhere in the world with data contributors (taggers/researchers) able to securely access their own data online (read only)
- ✦ Uses data standards where available (eg standard fish names)
- ✦ Tagging Manual to Quality Assurance documentation standards
- ✦ Most tagging data in Queensland is in a single database making access and analysis much easier and cheaper
- ✦ Database linked to Google Earth to allow easy and real time visualisation of data
- ✦ Photographs and video can be stored along with text data
- ✦ Recaptures can be lodged online through the Suntag website with instant feedback on the fish direct from the database

- ✦ Recapture certificates sent electronically or by mail to the person that recaptured the fish and the tagger with customised certificates available for some projects
- ✦ Tagging and other data can be lodged online or via email with 98% of data now lodged electronically
- ✦ Tagging awards have been upgraded to improve recognition of contribution of taggers



Google Earth is used to show where fish have been tagged

Having a world-class data collection and storage system ensures that quality data are available however that data needs to be available in a variety of formats to the fishing industry and government to assist in dealing with real world issues that affect the industry and our fisheries. Video clips and podcasts are currently being introduced to extend the suite of information formats. Suntag information is available through:

Websites and Facebook pages for Infofish projects

Infofish	www.info-fish.net
Suntag	www.info-fish.net/suntag
Westag	www.info-fish.net/westag
Gladfish	www.info-fish.net/gladfish
Crystal Bowl	www.info-fish.net/crystal-bowl
McArthur River Monitoring	www.info-fish.net/king-ash-bay
Rocky Barra Bounty	www.rockybarrabounty.com
CapReef	www.info-fish.net/capreef

Bill Sawynok
National Research/Development Director
ANSA National

National Promotions Director's / Webmasters Report

The web site has been quite active during the year with excellent visitor numbers for this type of site. Some months seem very high and maybe we could find some hint of when the fish are biting by a low hit rate or if captures are getting larger by the hits on the records pages.

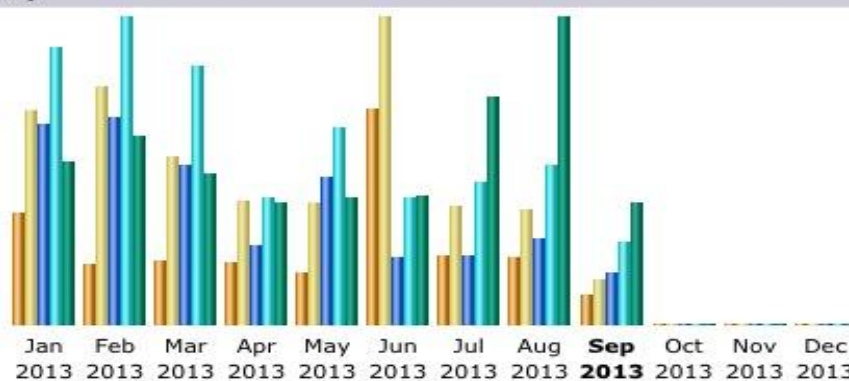
Everything is available on site activity and I will include a few screen shots of activity from our members or the general public. We get hits from all over the world and some times there is more action from countries other than Australia.

The web site management was handed over to a new web designer in late September 2013 and though it looks different the new site contains every piece of information that was on the original site.

I have been looking after the ANSA web site since late 1997 when first asked by ANSA National President Geoff Hawkins to get it up and running. I retired in May 1997, and Geoff figured I had nothing to do. It was a steep learning curve for someone who had virtually no knowledge of the how or why of web sites, or the Internet for that matter. The only ongoing costs incurred during the past 15 years were for domain registration and web site hosting plus one major site update in 2010.

Following are some graphics of the site taken from August 2013 data.

Monthly history



Month	Unique visitors	Number of visits	Pages	Hits	Bandwidth
Jan 2013	2,344	4,529	52,996	73,519	763.79 MB
Feb 2013	1,265	5,024	55,008	81,247	881.43 MB
Mar 2013	1,340	3,535	42,342	68,495	704.97 MB
Apr 2013	1,303	2,598	21,120	33,840	566.55 MB
May 2013	1,115	2,573	38,937	52,320	597.24 MB
Jun 2013	4,551	6,475	18,033	33,751	602.72 MB
Jul 2013	1,456	2,500	18,243	37,784	1.04 GB
Aug 2013	1,434	2,417	22,893	42,333	1.40 GB
Sep 2013	631	951	13,890	22,007	569.67 MB
Oct 2013	0	0	0	0	0
Nov 2013	0	0	0	0	0
Dec 2013	0	0	0	0	0
Total	15,439	30,602	283,462	445,296	7.02 GB

This graphic is for the year since January, all others are for August 2013 only.









Countries (Top 25) - Full list						
Countries		Pages	Hits	Bandwidth		
	Ukraine	ua	15,491	15,523	55.58 MB	
	Australia	au	3,938	19,186	1.02 GB	
	United States	us	1,656	3,576	144.51 MB	
	Russian Federation	ru	506	553	4.92 MB	
	China	cn	333	822	23.10 MB	
	Germany	de	130	145	3.47 MB	
	Netherlands	nl	85	108	1.55 MB	
	Italy	it	80	313	15.55 MB	
	Canada	ca	75	113	5.95 MB	
	Luxembourg	lu	74	80	1.01 MB	
	Israel	il	52	57	205.60 KB	
	France	fr	48	96	3.17 MB	

Why Ukraine is so high is a mystery to me though last year we had lots of hits from Columbia.

Downloads (Top 10) - Full list					
Downloads: 104		Hits	206 Hits	Bandwidth	Average size
	/demo/wp-content/uploads/2012/10/ANNUAL-REPORT-20112012.pdf	64	0	42.89 MB	686.21 KB
	/demo/wp-content/uploads/2013/06/Length-Only.pdf	55	9	4.49 MB	71.88 KB
	/demo/wp-content/uploads/2012/07/Rule-Book-2012.pdf	48	11	79.22 MB	1.34 MB
	/demo/wp-content/uploads/2013/06/News-Bulletin-34.pdf	45	22	8.09 MB	123.60 KB
	/demo/wp-content/uploads/2012/07/Eligible-species-with-factors.p...	43	0	5.37 MB	127.81 KB
	/demo/wp-content/uploads/2012/08/Recreational-Fishing-Conference...	37	2	3.41 MB	89.53 KB
	/demo/wp-content/uploads/2013/06/Memo-branches-11.6.13-1.pdf	36	0	903.87 KB	25.11 KB
	/demo/wp-content/uploads/2013/01/ANSWARE-FORM-28-January-2013....	35	0	1.60 MB	46.92 KB
	/demo/wp-content/uploads/2011/07/latest-Masters-sept-2010.pdf	30	6	10.38 MB	295.12 KB
	/demo/wp-content/uploads/2012/08/Memo-to-Branches-10.8.12.pdf	25	2	2.89 MB	109.43 KB

Search Keyphrases (Top 10)		
Full list		
109 different keyphrases	Search	Percent
ansa	124	38.5 %
australian fishing records	22	6.8 %
ansa fishing	12	3.7 %
australian national sportfishing association	12	3.7 %
ansa records	6	1.8 %
a.n.s.a marlin records	6	1.8 %
ansa fishing records	4	1.2 %
site ansa.com.au	4	1.2 %
australian national sportsfishing association	4	1.2 %
ansa.com	4	1.2 %
Other phrases	124	38.5 %

Search Keywords (Top 25)		
Full list		
159 different keywords	Search	Percent
ansa	190	26.1 %
fishing	68	9.3 %
australian	66	9 %
records	58	7.9 %
association	29	3.9 %
national	27	3.7 %
sportfishing	21	2.8 %
australia	13	1.7 %
fish	10	1.3 %
sport	8	1.1 %
record	7	0.9 %
marlin	7	0.9 %

Operating Systems (Top 10) - Full list/Versions - Unknown			
Operating Systems		Hits	Percent
	Windows	30,265	71.1 %
	Macintosh	8,188	19.2 %
	Linux	2,149	5 %
	Unknown	1,612	3.7 %
	Symbian OS	159	0.3 %
	Java Mobile	111	0.2 %
	Java	27	0 %
	BSD	4	0 %

Browsers (Top 10) - Full list/Versions - Unknown				
Browsers		Grabber	Hits	Percent
	Firefox	No	20,151	47.3 %
	MS Internet Explorer	No	8,045	18.9 %
	Safari	No	6,529	15.3 %
	Google Chrome	No	4,330	10.1 %
	Unknown	?	963	2.2 %
	Android browser (PDA/Phone browser)	No	677	1.5 %
	Mozilla	No	664	1.5 %
	Opera	No	500	1.1 %
	Minefield (Firefox 3.0 development)	No	233	0.5 %
	iPhone (PDA/Phone browser)	No	191	0.4 %
	Others		232	0.5 %

It must be remembered some hits are from search engines checking on the total world wide web and ensuring all sites are available for searches.

One item of interest is the stats for Mozilla Firefox browser, almost half of the hits were from Firefox. Also Apple mac systems have crept up to 20% of computers used by interested anglers.

Linux would account for most search engines doing a scan. I always find the stats interesting and find changes in the way people look for sites. Google is of course the top search engine used by most people around the world.



Ron Poole
 Webmaster (retired)
 ANSA National

National Safety Officer's Report

The ANSA National project is progressing as outlined, albeit stuck in first gear in the application process and obtaining the approvals needed for installation in most states. At this point in time applications have been submitted and as part of this process an updated Review of Environmental Factors or REF was needed to assist state based land managers to deal with the issue of rubbish and bait discards. Essentially this was not part of the project brief but ANSA felt it was in the interests of maintaining good working relationships with land managers around the country and is working on this request. Also a request from NSW is being completed that required an updated risk assessment and a request from WA to assist them in a rockfishing policy. All these will lay the foundations for the other states and form part of the next phase of the project.

We are still in the approvals phase of the Project and as noted in the application this was going to be the biggest threat to the Projects timely delivery. Currently we have approval for the far north coast of NSW in hand and applications under assessment in WA for 9 new rings, and approvals are being sought for 10 new rings in QLD. We are currently looking at 9 locations in VIC and are just about to start working on the approvals there.

We are on track and slowly getting there.



Stan Konstantaras
National Safety Officer
ANSA National

National Recorder's Report (Line Class)

The 2012 – 2013 season has been another quiet year for record claims. 48 Australian Line Class Records have been claimed and 40 of those have been awarded. Eight of the claims received failed line tests or failed to better the previous record by the required amount (page 32 rulebook).

Year	Australian Records
2008-9	49
2009-10	76
2010-11	85
2011-12	35
2012-13	40



Luke Windon: Striped Tuna 3.48kg on 2kg SJS

Records per State

N.S.W.	13
Queensland	12
Victoria	11
W.A.	3
S.A.	1

Most successful clubs: Bundaberg SFC - 6 Australian Records
 ALBAA - 5 Australian Records.
 BLG SFC - 4 Australian Records

Most successful anglers: Helen Johnson - 6 Australian Records
 Luke Robinson - 4 Australian records

Division	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Senior	6	2	5	9	1	5	2
Junior	1	4	0	2	0	1	0
Sub-Junior	1	1	0	0	0	0	0



Frank Fernkorn:
 Giant Trevally
 26.7kg on 37kg LBG



John Rankin:
 Broadbill Swordfish
 86.5kg on 37kg



Eddie Wong:
 G Barramundi
 9.06kg on 1kg LBG

Congratulations to all those anglers who gained Australian records.

Phil Turner
 ANSA National Line Class Records.

National Recorder's Report (Length Only)

Another season has come to a close and as a new recorder on the team I have had a couple of hick ups but its all coming together now. I am thankful that Bob Avery, the previous Length Only Recorder did such a great job which made it a lot easier for me to take over the role.

The 2012-2013 season had 28 record claims with VIC 6, NSW 12, QLD 7, SA 3. I would like to see more photos of fish laid out on the Brag Mat with the tail laid naturally. But so far I have been happy with the claims.

Hopefully all members will remain active in the pursuit of the elusive fish. I will be looking forward to being of service over the coming season. Keep the claims coming in.

Regards

Ken Johnson
National Trophy Length Recorder



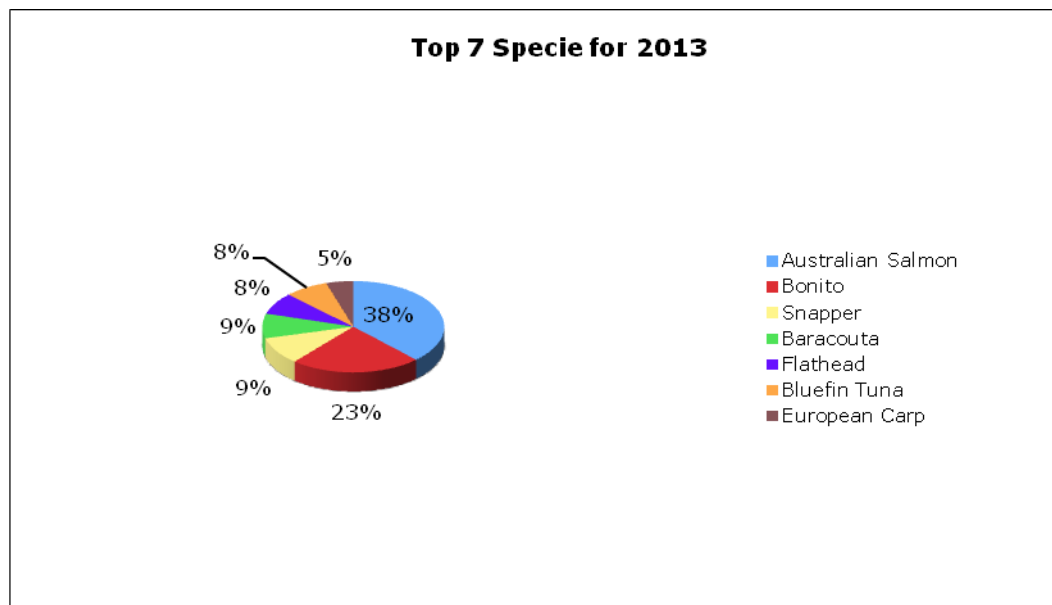
National Masters Keeper Report

The number of claims processed this season is 22 and is only 1 more than the 2012 season.

Over the last 4 years there has been an interesting diversity of awards submitted for processing.

This is largely due to the introduction of the All Tackle Length Only division introduced by National and included in this is the Length Only Species Division. It has opened new opportunities and been embraced by members generating significant interest with this year seeing the first Length Only Species claim.

The top species for this year are indicated by the graph below.



Australian Salmon was by far the most common species captured followed by Bonito. Snapper also featured this year in claims submitted by South Australians.

Award	SA	Queensland	NSW	Victoria	WA	Totals
Sportfishing 10	4	2		2		8
Sportfishing 20	1	1				2
Sportfishing 30		1				1
Sportfishing Junior	1					1
Length Only Specie			1			1
Tagging			2			2
Lure Fishing 10				2		2
Lure fishing "250"		1				1
Fly Fishing				1		1
Length Only 10	1		1			2
Length Only 20					1	1
Totals	7	5	4	5	1	22

The 2013 season is of significance in that this is the first time that 5 of the Australian States have submitted claims where this is normally dominated by the Eastern ones. I have included a breakdown of the claims submitted over the last 4 years to illustrate the trend toward the Length Only awards processed.

Tackle Division	Number of Claims
All Tackle Length	10
All Tackle Length 20	1
All Tackle Length Based Specie	1
Fly Fishing	1
Fresh Water Impoundment	2
Game Fishing	8
Game Fishing 20	1
Game Fishing 250	2
Game Fishing Land Based	2
Lure Fishing	10
Lure Fishing 20	2
Lure Fishing 30	1
Lure Fishing 250	2
Sportfishing	26
Sportfishing 20	6
Sportfishing 30	2
Sportfishing 40	3
Sportfishing 60	2
Sportfishing 70	1
Sportfishing 250	4
Sportfishing Sub Junior	1
Sportfishing Junior	4
Sportfishing Land Based	1
Tagging	3

Knut Gassmanis
 Master Keeper
 ANSA National

ANSA New South Wales Report

The ANSA National Report is a fitting platform to take the opportunity to thank all those who put their hands up to keep the ANSA clubs going around Australia and lets me thank those who put their hands up to take the fight up in NSW and keep the fires going.

It a huge testament to the fact that the ANSA brand is recognisable in NSW through our advocacy, leadership, projects such as Angel Rings and Fishing 4 Therapy and ANSA NSW is constantly seeking and giving advice to the Government of the day, mindful of the fact that sometimes the sneaky buggers do what they want but that's does not stop us or force us to put up the white flag. Rather we keep fighting the good fight as custodians and good stewards of our marine environment in NSW.

Once again it is the hard work at the State Level that needs to be recognised with all the committee members chipping in to help. Some jobs require more recognition and the work Joe Garufi puts in as Secretary is monumental, equal to the work Shane Jasprizza does as our Recorder, Mike Spitzer as Membership Officer and let's not forget Tony Steiner who graduated from Special Project Officer to our new Treasurer. Along with more new faces, Tony was joined by Craig Wilson as our Environmental guru. Rob Sinclair who is bright eyed and bushy tailed, and then the old buggers like John "JB" Burgess, Yanko Serifi and I to take up the slack. It has been an enlightening and successful year for us and the fact we are all still great mates says it all. We enjoy the work we do even though it can get overwhelming and sometimes we all sit back and say "we are only volunteers" and then get straight back into it!

Following are some of the issues outlined in the most recent ANSA NSW Annual Report and discussed with the NSW Delegates;

Cronulla Fisheries. Despite a strong campaign to stop the closure of Cronulla Fisheries, including ANSA NSW appearing before an Upper House inquiry, the closure went ahead with a resultant loss of over 100 staff that were not prepared to relocate to regional offices. The loss of so many key research and management staff has had an obvious impact on Fisheries. Those that have stayed on are doing a great job under difficult circumstances. Thankfully the department is now in the process of recruiting new staff and time will hopefully see Fisheries back on top of its brief.

NSW Marine Parks. ANSA NSW did participate in the independent audit of marine parks and we have had preliminary meetings with the members of the newly formed NSW Marine Estate Management Authority and the Marine Expert Knowledge panel which have been set up to replace the NSW Marine Parks Authority and to manage the entire NSW marine estate which includes all coastal waters, estuaries and beaches. One of the immediate benefits to come from all of these activities was an amnesty to allow recreational line fishing from ocean beaches and headlands in most marine park sanctuary zones. An assessment of the impacts of this amnesty is currently in process. ANSA NSW has high hopes that these new bodies will engage with recreational fishers and that the outcome will be a better coordinated management of our marine estate with proper regard to recreational fishing as an important socio economic activity.

Grey Nurse Sharks. ANSA NSW has had a long and active role in the management of GNS and we did participate in the NSW review of GNS Critical Habitat Zones and the type of fishing activity and tackle allowed in some of these zones. Outcomes of these reviews saw the revocation of GNS critical habitat at Bass Point and modification of the shape of the habitat zone at magic Point (Maroubra) and Green Island (South West Rocks). Land based line fishing with bait is now allowed adjacent to these modified zones.

Botany Bay. ANSA NSW has been represented on a number of committees associated with the expansion of Port Botany. We have been fortunate to stop a number of proposals to restrict fishing access on waters adjacent to the Port. The issue of compensation for loss of much of the bay (which is a recreational fishing haven) as part of the port reclamation has been a sore point for ANSA for many years. We have unsuccessfully pushed the compensation issue with a variety of responsible Ministers over the past decade. Now that the port has been privatised the NSW government has undertaken it will provide funding for the installation of 2 offshore artificial reefs south of Botany Bay as part of a compensation package. A similar off

shore artificial reef compensation package has been negotiated for the south coast following privatisation of Port Kembla.

Caltex Dredging. ANSA NSW has formally asked the Federal Environment Minister to intervene in the proposal by Caltex to dredge and expand its berthing facilities at Kurnell and to dispose of some 153000 cubic metres of TBT contaminated sediment by dumping the bulk of it at sea 10km south east of Sydney Heads - TBT is a very toxic substance historically associated with anti-fouling. NSW authorities have given a conditional green light to the dredging proposal but the dumping at sea requires Commonwealth approval. ANSA's NSW preference is that the contaminated spoil be treated and disposed off at an appropriate land fill site. Compensatory offsets for loss of recreational fishing access will be sought from Caltex regardless of the outcome.

Review of NSW saltwater/ Freshwater Fishing Rules ANSA NSW has participated in the review process and have questioned the lack of science and purpose behind the proposed bag and size limit reviews which essentially involve a halving of bag limits for most bread and butter species. None of these species is under threat from recreational fishing or is overfished. There has been no evaluation of the conservation effectiveness of the rule changes introduced in 2007 or any assessment of the impact the reduced bag limit changes will have on recreational take if adopted and made law. Hopefully good common sense will prevail and any changes, if implemented, will have minimal impact on recreational fishers and will not infringe upon the capacity of recreational fishers to exercise value decisions on how many fish to take and keep. It's a matter of fact that 90% of all finfish captures come from landing of fewer than 20 fish per angler per day and that only 1% of fishers rarely catch their bag limits. This is a standing testimony to recreational fisher conservation ethos which will persist regardless of bag limits. It is also naive to believe that these proposed regulations will reduce the incidence of illegal fishing and sale. These shamateurs have no regard for the law and will continue to act illicitly regardless of whatever bag and size limits are in place. Stronger compliance is what's needed to address this problem.

Boat Trailer Parking. Most owners of boats over 6m in length would probably be unaware that it is illegal to park a vehicle (including a trailer over 7.5m including whatever is loaded on the trailer) on a public road in a built up area for more than one hour. A number of Sydney coastal and harbour side councils have been pushing for some time have the National Road Rules amended so that they have very broad delegated powers to issue infringement notices and impose penalties for parking of boat trailers of any size on public roads. To date councils have not been given these powers but a Boat Trailer Working group was established by the NSW government last year to consider all options. A report and recommendations have been completed and these have yet to be decided upon by the NSW government. Regrettably though Councils do have the power under section 200 of the Road Rules to impose fines on parked trailers over 7.5m in length. Historically few councils have opted to exercise this delegated power until now. One eastern suburbs council has issued warning notices to all boat/ trailer rig owners over 7.5 m to move their boats off the road or face heavy fines. None of these trailers were parked unsafely and all were registered and in regular use. The concern now is that this precedent may spread to other councils. ANSA NSW has taken this issue up with the NSW Minister for Roads and Ports and has requested ACORF to write to the NSW Fisheries Minister seeking her intercession. Rule 200 has application not just in NSW but across all states and territories. Hopefully we can get this sorted out before the cancer spreads.

Peak Body Representation. ANSA NSW has maintained its presence on the NSW ACORF and Licence Trust Expenditure Committees albeit that the future structure and composition of both these bodies is likely to change in the near future. ANSA NSW is a driving force behind the RFA (NSW Recreational Fishing Alliance).

Tight Lines,



Stan Konstantaras
President
ANSA New South Wales

ANSA Queensland Report

Innovation key to the future of ANSAQ

Over the past couple of years there has been recognition within ANSAQ that innovation is essential to ensure the future of the organization. That's going to be a balancing act but the changes have been happening and the Tagging focused clubs in particular are at record numbers. The addition of new competition formats, online memberships and the eMag show the organization is beginning to move with the times and will continue to do so in the years to come.

Strategic Plan

Innovation needs direction and the management committee has been working hard during the year to develop a five-year strategic plan that will guide the organization. The plan is nearing completion and will be in action before the next Statewide Conference.

Online Membership

For the first time ever, members were able to renew their memberships online and so far the transition has been very successful. The new system makes it a very simple process for members to pay their memberships, while ensuring that their details are completely up to date. The move to online has been popular with younger members, which we hope is a good sign for the future.

New faces on the executive

This year saw further reshuffling of the faces on the executive. Two newer members, Beau Britton and Stone Needham have come onto the committee, which is great. Overall the committee has a great generational balance now making the task of implementing the strategic plan easier.

Competitions

As well as many club events that are held during the year, our Length Only Competition and Species Challenge were well supported. The Rocky Barra Bounty also goes from strength to strength and is now one of the biggest fishing events in the calendar. While it takes time for new concepts to take off the Bounty is a great example of what happens with persistence.

Tagging funding resumed

During the year the Newman government reversed its previous decision to cut Suntag funding and provided partial funding for the programme in 2013. This was welcome news to ANSAQ. The days of the government being the only funder of the programme are behind us, with a mix of funding sources sourced when funding was cut but the recognition of the importance of the programme is vital.

Records

The total records processed for 2012 / 2013 year was twenty-three demonstrating that our anglers are still very active.

Sportfishing – 6
Lurefishing – 2
Flyfishing –
Gamefishing – 1
Land Based Gamefishing - 3
All Tackle 'Length Only' Records – 8

Masters

The total Masters claims processed was six.

Sportfishing '10' - 3
Sportfishing '10' 3 kg Line Class - 1
Sportfishing '10' 4 kg Line Class - 1
Length Based Species Masters -1



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ANSA South Australia Report

The South Australian Branch has moved forward this past year with the addition of three new clubs - Mulloway Taggers, Lower Murray Lure Fishing Club and Young Husband Fishing Club making a total of 8 clubs for SA Branch.

Tagging continues to be an issue of keen interest to many recreational fishers and has been instrumental in ANSA SA 's ability to attract new clubs. Our thanks go to Marcel Vandegoot SAFTAG co-ordinator.

I take this opportunity to inform that after serving many years on the SA Branch committee, Knut Gassmanis has tendered his resignation as State Secretary. On behalf of ANSA SA I thank him for his many years of service.

The forthcoming State AGM should see some new faces on the committee.

Recreational fishing issues within the state continue to be a concern. This past year has seen the introduction of marine parks and next year will see the introduction of no take zones within the marine parks. The past 12 months also saw the introduction of possession limits on whiting, cockles (pipi) and razorfish with blue crabs and snapper next on the agenda.

Representation of recreational fishing at a Government level is a concern in South Australia. SARFAC recently changed its name to Recfish SA and its internal problems are having an effect on the representation of recreational fishers at a government level. Something we hope to tackle this coming year.

With the three new clubs I am quietly confident of a good year ahead for the South Australian Branch.

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ANNUAL REPORT 2013

Taggers, ANSA members and interested fisherpeople, it is my pleasure to present the Annual report for 2013.

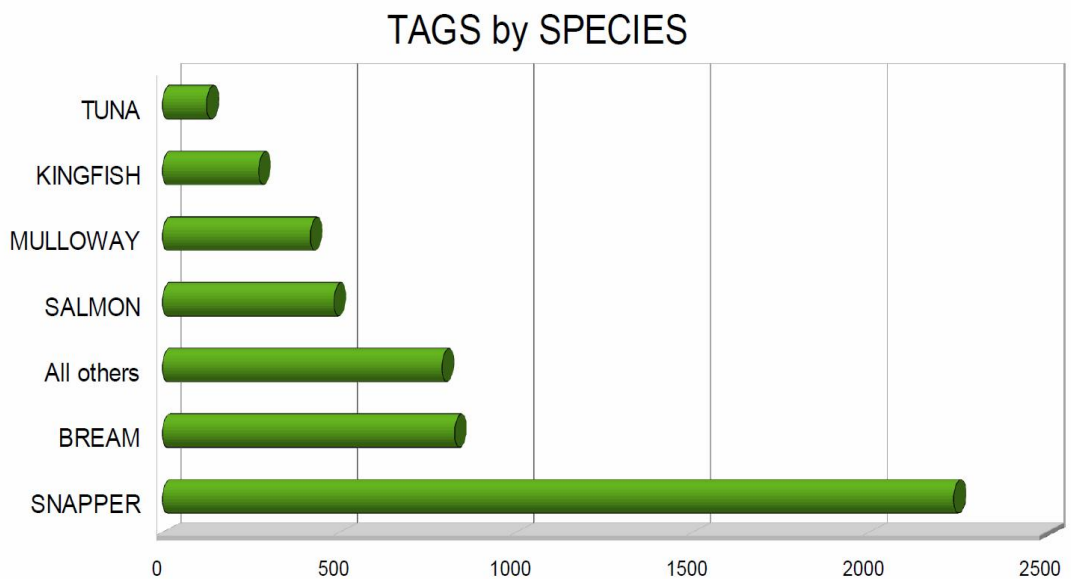
2013 is another milestone year for SAFTAG as we placed our 5000th tag this year.

Snapper are still the most popular tagging target and our first tagging focus club, SA Red Taggers has been actively tagging Reds. SART's 20 or so members have this year tagged more fish than all the traditional ANSA clubs combined and should be congratulated for their efforts.

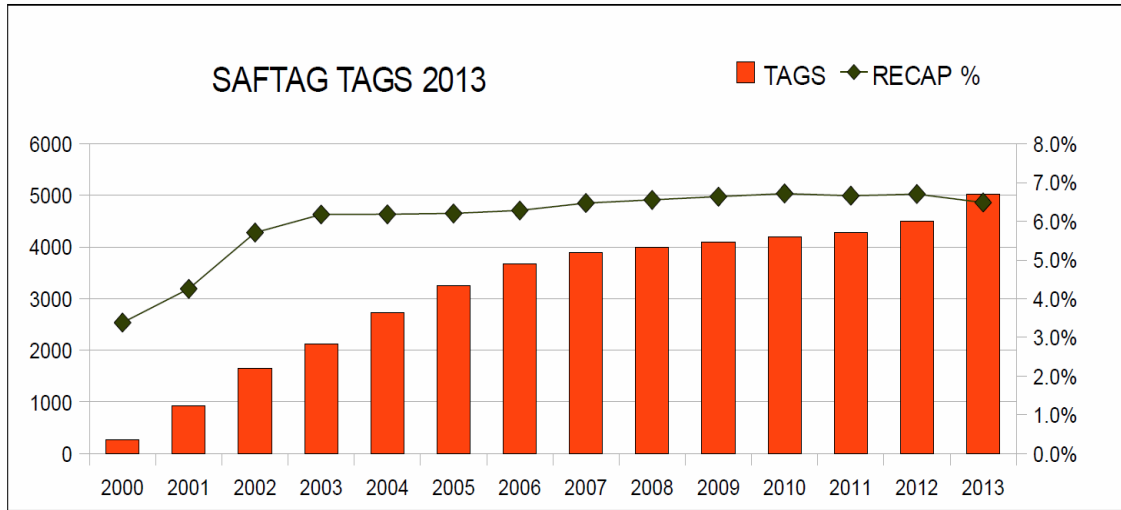
At the time of writing we also have 3 new clubs coming on-board which should help grow SAFTAG's tagging database over the years to come. A hearty welcome to members of

Mulloway Taggers SA
Lower Murray Lure Fishing Club
Younghusband Fishing Club

Below is a graphic breakdown of our main tagging species



Here's a graphic showing our annual tag totals. Having the SART guys on board has jumped our numbers after a few years of relative inactivity.



2013 has also taken SAFTAG into the digital age. Our recapture certificates are now sent out by email so both taggers and recapturers are able to view their certs and optionally print them out.

From 1st July this year we will be introducing 3 new tagging achievement awards.

- EPIC TAGGER for tagging 100 fish of any one species
- LEGENDARY TAGGER ... for tagging 250 fish of any one species
- ULTIMATE TAGGER for tagging 1000 fish of any one species

Only fish of legal size will qualify. We wish to reward fish that were released by choice rather than by legality. SAFTAG also discourages intentional targetting of undersized fish but we do encourage tagging of all fish, on the approved species list, that are captured incidentally, IF they're big enough to be unhindered by a tag.

Epic and Legendary awards will count only fish tagged after 1st July 2013 but the Ultimate award will also count fish tagged in prior years. Keen taggers should qualify for Epic or Legendary after a year or three. The Ultimate award is expected to take a lifetime for most anglers.

The current approved species are:-

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| Bream | Mulloway | Salmon |
| Snapper | BIG Whiting | Kingfish |
| ALL Tunas | Murray Cod | Golden Perch (Callop) |
| Silver Perch | Samsonfish | |

Lastly, thanks must go out to all our taggers. Without their dedicated efforts SAFTAG would cease to exist.

Cheers

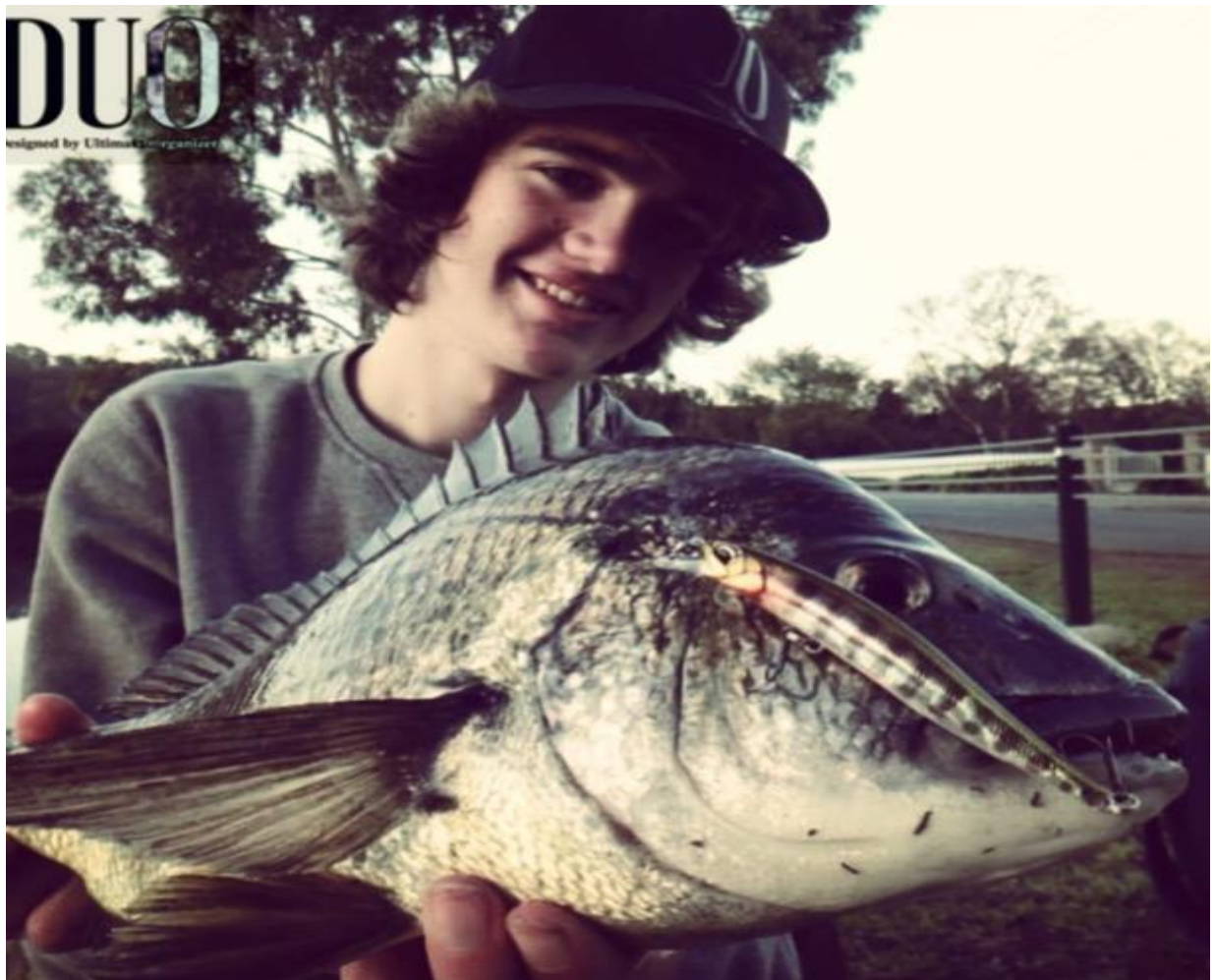
Marcel Vandergoot
SAFTAG Co-ordinator

ANSA Tasmania Report

The last 12 months has seen a great year for ANSA Tas. We have welcomed new members and seen some extremely memorable trips. The Club has retained its membership numbers despite some past members not renewing their memberships (travel, work commitments etc.).

Member James Cooper travelled to the mainland to fish with another ANSA club targeting YellowBelly. This was a contact James made from travelling to the National AGM last season.

Tom Crawford and Alistair Creed travelled to the Gold Coast to participate in the Australian Bream Championship Grand final and it was good to see so many boats with ANSA stickers covering them. One of our young members, Nathan, has through hard work managed to receive sponsorship from one of Japan's most respected Lure companies DUO and is now writing for them on an international level.



Competitions:

ANSA Tas experienced a variety of trips and competitions in 2012-13, ranging from Bruny Island to St Helens and all points in between. Although plans and bookings were made to travel to Pedra Branca (a 2.5 ha rock or small island about 26 km (16 mi) south-south-east of South East Cape, Tasmania), the weather was against us so we will try again sometime in the future.

The opening of the Trout season saw once again why Derwent Bridge is one of our most popular trips. The weather was cold but kind and above all a very successful trip not so much for the fishing but for the revival of friendship's and a chance to meet new people and experience the outdoors. ANSA Tas was accompanied by a squad of keen fishers from Victoria and a good time was had by all.



ANSA Tas looks forward to more events in combination with our mainland colleagues.

Tom Crawford
President
ANSA Tasmania

ANSA Victoria Report

Well as another year comes to a close its that time of the year again to look back at what has taken place over the past 12 months.

In Victoria things have been reasonably stable with no real controversy to speak of compared to other parts of the country.

We have again run a very successful state championship held at various locations around the state including both freshwater and saltwater venues. This again has proven to be a very popular part of our fishing calendar and also a hotly contested reward to be named state champion.

We have also continued our involvement to be represented on various levels within groups such as VR Fish and also the Fisheries Round Table meetings. Involvement on both of these groups holds us in a good position to be up to date on what is happening and also to have a direct input at that upper level.

Our membership has stayed reasonably stable over the past 12 months and this is an area that we all need to be vigilant of as with all sports membership is crucial.

In closing we wish everyone a successful fishing year.

Tight Lines

Darren Dyson
President
ANSA Victoria

ANSA Western Australia Report

Events:

Our year started well with the usual children's catch and release comp over 2 weekends in the October holidays along the Kalbarri for shore. The event has now become a ritual for families from far and wide; all fish are released back to the river in the best possible condition.

Members:

Member numbers have remained static with people now gleaning a lot of the info they require from on line, clubs all over Australia are in the same situation and our aim is to recreate the old style club activities.

Westag:

Tagging is going well, with the numbers of taggers now at 960 we will soon reach the 1000.

New WANTED Fish tag brochures will be under way for distribution at tackle shops and boat shows. Please check fish you catch to see if they have a tag in their side.

Contact details www.ansawa.org Tagging www.westag.info-fish.com

Juniors: Some of our juniors at the fun day



The Next Year:

This coming year's projects include the launch of Angel Rings in WA. ANSA National have been working with Recfishwest to form a memorandum of understanding to get things on the go and we will need the help of local clubs in the South West to assist with and help monitor the rings after installation.

Steve Wiseman
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