

MINUTES OF THE THIRTEENTH BI-ENNIAL CONFERENCE OF THE
GAME FISHING ASSOCIATION OF AUSTRALIA, HELD AT THE
ROYAL AUTOMOBILE CLUB, 89 MACQUARIE STREET, SYDNEY ON
19TH and 20TH OCTOBER, 1967.

PRESENT:

Mr. R. Rowe, President of G.F.A.A. and Chairman
Mr. E.W. Palmer, Executive Officer of G.F.A.A.
Mr. J.R. Thorburn, Hon. Secretary of G.F.A.A.

N.S.W. Dr. J. Delohery, Mr. F.W. Fitch and Mr. F. Toll.
VIC. Messrs. W. Faulkner and A.W. Stewart.
S.A. Messrs. J. Polson and W.B. Coombs.
TAS. Mr. J. Jacobs and Dr. E. Canning.
QLD. Messrs. T.H.W. Fanning and M.J. Corrie.
N.H. Proxy Delegate, Mr. E.W. Palmer (Life Member).

APOLOGIES:

Mr. M.J. Lawson (Life Member), Mr. N. Syrette- Northern Territory
and Mr. R. Whittaker - Western Australia.

PRESIDENT'S
REPORT:

President Rowe read his Report outlining the activities of the
Association over the past two years and it was moved by
Dr. J. Delohery (N.S.W.), seconded by Mr. E.W. Palmer (W.A.),
that the Report be adopted. Carried.

MINUTES OF
12TH BI-ENNIAL
CONFERENCE:

The Hon. Secretary advised that Minutes of the previous
Conference had been circulated to State Branches and it was
moved by Mr. E.W. Palmer (W.A.), seconded by Mr. J. Jacobs
(Tas) that they be taken as read and adopted as a true record
of proceedings. Carried.

BUSINESS
ARISING FROM
MINUTES:

Mr. Palmer (W.A.) spoke on the Gold, Silver and Bronze Button
design and it was resolved that the type of Fixing Clip be
changed.

FINANCIAL
STATEMENT:

The Financial Statement of the Association's transactions for
the period 1.10.65 to 16.10.67 was tabled together with a
summary of stock held and it was moved by Mr. F.W. Fitch
(N.S.W.), seconded by Mr. W.B. Coombs (S.A.) that they be
accepted. Carried.

It was moved Mr. E.W. Palmer (W.A.), seconded by Mr. A.W. Stewart
(Vic) that an amount of \$33.95 representing the value of
Coloured Buttons be written off. Carried.

ALTERATIONS TO
THE
CONSTITUTION:

Agenda Item 6 -(1)

All Delegates voiced opinions regarding this matter and it was
moved by Mr. F.W. Fitch (N.S.W.), seconded by Mr. W.B. Coombs
(S.A.) that Rule 15A of the Constitution be as follows:-
15(a) Each State Branch may nominate in writing two delegates
to the G.F.A.A. at any time prior to the Meeting at which it
is intended such delegates shall vote, provided however, that
if a State Branch has more than 500 enrolled members at the
preceding 30th June, it shall be entitled to nominate a total
of two extra delegates. Carried 10 Votes.

Delegates from Victoria requested that it be recorded that they
registered a NO Vote.

Agenda Item 6 -(2).

Mr. A.W. Stewart (Vic) outlined the proposal regarding a Paid
Secretariat and after discussion, it was moved by Mr. A.W. Stewart
and seconded by Dr. J. Delohery -

"That the incoming Executive examine the question of a
Secretariat and the safety of G.F.A.A. Records from all
points of view and report to the next Conference and that
they have the power to act as required to maintain safe
keeping of official G.F.A.A. Records." Carried.

Agenda Item 6 -(3).

Lapsed owing to defeat of Item 6-(2).

Agenda Item 6-(4).

It was moved by Mr. E.W. Palmer (N.S.W.), seconded by Mr. F. Toll (N.S.W.) that Rule 11(a) of the Constitution be amended by inserting after the word President, the words "Immediate Past President" and that in lieu of an Executive Member; the words "two Executive Members" be included.

Under Rule 12(a), delete the words "The President, Vice-President, Executive Member and Secretary" and include the words "The Executive Committee". Carried. 11 Votes.

ALTERATION TO FISHING RULES:Agenda Item 7-(1).

This motion was withdrawn by Delegates from N.S.W.

Agenda Item 7-(2).

It was moved by Mr. W. Faulkner (Vic) and seconded by Mr. F.J. Fitch (N.S.W.) that the existing Rule 4 of the G.F.A.A. Fishing Rules dated 1.10.65 be deleted in its entirety and substituted by the following Rule:-

- Rule 4 -LIMITS FOR "BALANCED TACKLE"

Extra light tackle: Tip length not less than 5 feet. Butt length not more than 18 inches (12-lb. and 20-lb. test).

Light tackle: Tip length not less than 5 feet. Butt length not more than 18 inches. (30-lb. test).

Medium weight tackle: Tip length not less than 5 feet. Butt length not more than 22 inches (50-lb test).

Heavy tackle: Tip length not less than 5 feet. Butt length not to exceed 22 inches. (80-lb. test).

Extra heavy tackle: Tip length not less than 5 feet. Butt length not to exceed 27 inches. (130 and 180-lb test).

The rod butt shall be straight and shall be measured in a straight line directly below the center of the reel to the end of the butt.

Carried.

Agenda Item 7-(3).

After lengthy discussion it was resolved that the Rule governing the use of the Power of a Boat be unaltered.

Agenda Item 7-(4).

This motion was withdrawn by Delegates from Victoria.

Agenda Item 7-(5).

It was moved by Mr. J. Polson (S.A.) and seconded by Mr. E.W. Palmer (N.S.W.) that Rule 27(c) of the G.F.A.A. Fishing Rules dated 1.10.65 be altered to read as follows:-

"All claims for records in line classes less than 50-lb. test must be accompanied by a 10-yard sample of the actual line used in making the catch. For line test classes of 50-lb. and more, 30 yards of line must be submitted. If a double line was used, 5 yards from the double line must be included with 5 yards of the line next it. If less than 5 yards was doubled, the entire double line must be included in the yardage for catches in line classes less than 50-lb. test. Double this amount for catches in line classes 50-lb. test or more. The sample must be in one piece.

In light tackle claims, the entire double line taken from the end of the knot must be submitted. All lines will be tested by an authority approved by G.F.A.A. Executive. " Carried.

It was moved by Mr. E.W. Palmer (N.S.W.), seconded by Mr. A.W. Stewart (Vic) that Rule 29 of the G.F.A.A. Fishing Rules be altered by inserting the words "and approve" between the words "record" and "all". Carried.

Agenda Item 7-(7).

It was resolved that this motion was adequately covered by Rule 25 and 26 of the G.F.A.A. Fishing Rules.

GENERAL:

Agenda Item 8-(1).

It was moved by Mr. E.W. Palmer (W.A.), seconded by Mr. J. Jacobs (Tas) that Rule 6 of the G.F.A.A. Fishing Rules dated 1.10.65 be deleted and that testing specifications for line testing be as follows:-

"Soak time 2 hours in Tap Water at Room temperature. (Laboratory temperature approximately 70 degrees)". Carried.

Agenda Items 8- (2 and 3).

It was discussed and resolved that the matter was a domestic issue and that it be left to the incoming Executive.

Agenda Item 8-(4).

It was resolved that Record Certificates be issued under The Tuna Club of Tasmania - affiliated with G.F.A.A.

Agenda Item 8-(5).

The Hon. Secretary reported that this matter was in hand and acknowledgement cards would be posted.

Agenda Items 8-(6) and 7-(6).

It was moved by Mr. E.W. Palmer (W.A.), seconded by Mr. J. Jacobs (Tas) that Australian Records be accepted for all species defined in Rules 1 and 2 of G.F.A.A. Fishing Rules, but that the Executive shall have discretion in the classifications which will be published. Carried.

It was moved by Mr. E.W. Palmer (W.A.), seconded by Mr. J. Jacobs (Tas) that the N.S.W.G.F.A. be requested to instruct its affiliated Clubs, that ALL correspondence to I.G.F.A. be directed through the Association. Carried.

ELECTION OF
OFFICE BEARERS:

PRESIDENT:

Dr. J. Delohery Nominated by Mr. W. Faulkner (Vic)
Seconded by Mr. F. Toll (N.S.W.)
Elected unopposed.

VICE-PRESIDENT:

Mr. I.B. Coombs Nominated by Mr. J. Polson (S.A.)
Seconded by Mr. W. Faulkner (Vic)
Elected unopposed.

IMMEDIATE PAST

PRESIDENT:

Mr. R. Rowe.

EXECUTIVE MEMBERS:

Mr. E.W. Palmer Nominated by Mr. F.W. Fitch (N.S.W.)
Seconded by Mr. J. Jacobs (Tas)
Elected unopposed.

Mr. T.H.W. Fanning Nominated by Mr. M. Corrie (Qld)
Seconded by Mr. F. Toll (N.S.W.)
Elected unopposed.

HONORARY SECRETARY:

Mr. R. Gibson Nominated by Dr. J. Delohery (N.S.W.)
Seconded by Mr. W. Faulkner (Vic)
Elected unopposed.

VOPE OF
THANKS:

Mr. E.W. Palmer (W.A.) extended a vote of thanks to the Chairman and Hon. Secretary and his remarks were endorsed by Mr. W. Faulkner (Vic), after which the Chairman closed the Conference at 3.40 p.m.

J. Delohery 13/11/69

GAME FISHING ASSOCIATION OF AUSTRALIA

RECORD OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE FOR THE PERIOD 1/10/65 to 16/10/67

| <u>INCOME</u> | | <u>EXPENDITURE</u> | |
|---|-------------------|--|-------------------|
| <u>From Sale of Buttons:</u> | | Expense of 12th Bi-ennial Conference | \$ 173.62 |
| N.S.W. | \$ 1223.50 | Cost of Postage, Telephone, Stationery | \$ 137.02 |
| Victoria | 67.00 | Freight on Trophy | 4.80 |
| Tasmania | 89.40 | Engraving Trophy | 13.40 |
| South Australia | 53.35 | Expense All Australia Competition | 15.00 |
| Western Australia | 5.00 | Ink and Stencils | 17.69 |
| <u>From Sale of Weight Certificate Books:</u> | | <u>Cost of Buttons:</u> | \$ 187.91 |
| Victoria | 5.50 | "Old type" Buttons | 790.92 |
| <u>From Sale of Rule Books:</u> | | "New type" Buttons | 344.50 |
| N.S.W. | \$ 163.00 | <u>Cost of Testing Lines:</u> | \$ 1435.42 |
| Victoria | 12.00 | Sydney University | 50.10 |
| Tasmania | 10.30 | Adelaide University | 312.00 |
| South Australia | 26.40 | <u>Cost of Printing:</u> | |
| Western Australia | 6.00 | Record Certificates | 60.47 |
| Queensland | .60 | Rule Books | 228.24 |
| <u>From Affiliation Fees:</u> | | Letterheads & Env. | 28.47 |
| N.S.W. | \$ 344.75 | <u>Cost of Equipment:</u> | |
| Victoria | 35.75 | Duplicator | 134.16 |
| Tasmania | 68.00 | | |
| Western Australia | 111.00 | | |
| Queensland | 39.25 | | |
| Northern Territory | 12.75 | | |
| Bank Interest | 19.75 | | |
| Cash in Bank as on 30/9/65 | \$ 159.91 | Cash in Bank as at 16/10/67 | \$ 148.32 |
| | <u>\$ 2458.71</u> | | <u>\$ 2458.71</u> |

John R. Thorburn, Hon. Secretary.

ASSETS AS AT 16TH OCTOBER, 1967.

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| <u>Stocks of</u> | 97 Coloured Buttons @ 35c ea | \$ 33.95 |
| | 3 "Old type" Gold Buttons @ \$4.00 ea. | 12.00 |
| | 2 "Old type" Merit Buttons @ \$5.00 ea | 10.00 |
| | 3 "New type" Gold Buttons @ \$6.50 | 19.50 |
| | 3 "New type" Bronze Buttons @ \$3.50 | 10.50 |
| | 3 "New type" Silver Buttons @ \$4.00 | 12.00 |
| | 5 Weight Certificate Books @ \$5.50 | 27.50 |
| | 250 G.F.A.A. Fishing Rule Books @ 10c | <u>25.00</u> |
| | | \$ 220.45 |
| | One Seal | " |
| | One Filing Cabinet | 10.00 |
| | One Duplicator | <u>134.16</u> |
| | | \$ 364.61 |
| <u>Cash in Bank</u> | | <u>148.32</u> |
| | | <u>\$ 512.93</u> |

John P. Thorburn
Hon. Secretary.