

ANGLING - False Bay Marlin and Tuna

Hi Anglers,

I hope everyone is doing well and keeping warm during these winter months!

There isn't too much to report at this stage. The tuna have moved off our shores for now, while yellowtail and bonito have been making only sporadic appearances.

There have, however, been plenty of Red Roman and juvenile Copper caught recently, with the encouraging news that many of these fish have been safely released. It is fantastic to see more anglers embracing sustainable fishing practices.

Western Province League Fishing

The league season has been progressing well.

On the Inshore League, the catch-and-release culture continues to grow stronger, and it's proving highly beneficial to release non-pelagic species such as Red Roman and other reef fish. It's great to see more anglers supporting conservation efforts while still enjoying competitive fishing.

At the moment, False Bay Marlin & Tuna Club (FBMT) is sitting second in the Battle of the Clubs standings.

We're also incredibly proud of one of our own junior anglers, Keaton Lane, who is currently leading the overall league standings. This is an outstanding achievement, particularly as there are no separate junior divisions in the league. Keaton's dedication has been remarkable—despite his father not owning a boat, he has organised his own opportunities to fish by arranging rides with fellow anglers, including those from other clubs. His commitment and determination are a wonderful example to all of us. Congratulations, Keaton—we're all behind you! Thank you to all the participants taking part in league.

The Offshore League is currently on a short break while we eagerly await the return of the tuna in October. We look forward to another exciting season once the fish arrive back on our coast. We are also in fact sitting at second place in the offshore league

Tight lines, stay warm, and we hope to see everyone out on the water again soon.

