



Brisbane Sportfishing Club News Update

Kids Fishing Adventure Day by *Rob McMillan*

Kids are the Fishing future and Fishing for the future means environmentally friendly practices that retain all the fun. The Brisbane Sport Fishing Club hosted a Kids Fishing Adventure Day (KFAD) on Sunday 20/05/07, at Darling Point Wynnum. Twenty local kids were given the chance to attend a day of learning and fishing.

It was refreshing to see the number of parents that were happy to stay around during the day, as many expressed an interest to learn as well. The children were expertly taught by Bob Caruthers, a Level 1 instructor from Sunfish and a member of BSFC. Topics covered were learning to fish for the future, how to practice conservation of the Fishery, the basics of rigging and knot tying, baiting and casting. Also the kids were educated on sustainable fishing practices, fishing regulations, successful handling and releasing techniques, along with environmental and conservation responsibilities.

After taking all that in the Parents and kids broke for a free sausage sizzle and drink put on by members of the BSFC.

With their stomachs full and all the knowledge from the earlier session it was time to get down to fishing. The kids were split into several groups, each with an instructor, and allowed to fish the foreshore across from the park. Like all fishing days, there was mixed results, but there was one catch of a 45cm plus Flathead. It was a beautiful sunny day and both children and parents seem to enjoy themselves.

Unfortunately the KFAD had to come to an end, but there was a surprise for all as the participants were allowed to keep the rods and reels they had been using all day as well as receiving a brand new, fully stocked tackle box. This Free kid's educational day is a product of a Government grant to the BSFC through Sunfish, which is Queensland's peak recreational fishing group.

The BSFC would like to thank the Alvey, Water Tower Bait and Tackle and Queensland Fishing Monthly for kindly donating items for the kids. The Brisbane Sport Fishing Club is a local, not for profit organisation, with a keen interest in fishing. The Club's motto is "Sport, Conservation and Integrity" The Club meets regularly to exchange knowledge and to go on fishing trips.



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