

CFC Fishing Monthly

Fish Fiji... Fish the Fijian!

Shangri La's Fijian Resort is one of the finer properties on Fiji's Coral Coast and not only offers some great fishing, but everything from standard accommodation to wedding packages. The resort itself is currently undergoing the second and final stage of refurbishment which is due for completion in late 2005.

This resort provides a 34' Blackwatch Game Boat with top quality equipment, game chair and crew. Being based on the Coral Coast you are only minutes from the game fishing grounds and they are regularly into fish within 15 minutes of leaving the resort jetty. This boat is ideal for both beginners and advanced anglers of all ages and provides the ideal family trip.

The cost involved in a 2 hour fishing trip is only \$270 for a



Shangri La's Fijian Resort Pool Area

sole charter and the resort boat "Fleet Lady II" can take up to 6 passengers. Additional hours will only cost \$115 per hour and will provide a fantastic gamefishing experience for a great price.

All the trips we provide have been trialled and tested thoroughly by members of

our staff so that we can guarantee you the best service in any location.

Whether you are just out for a little bit of fishing while on your relaxing getaway or we can put together a full accommodation package for you, we are happy to assist in any way that we can.

Fish Bass Strait - Share Charters Available

We are happy to notify you that we have found a new operator to assist us with trips out of Bass Strait from now on. Big Red departs from Queenscliff (or Portsea by arrangement) and goes straight out through the heads to fish for those big Mako's and all the other sharks that any angler dreams of.

The boat itself is a 7.2 meter custom built craft and takes up to 6 passengers with a flushing toilet on board. Food and drink are generally not provided (except for water) but they can be provided for an additional charge. We are now putting together some share dates for this charter with the first one being

Saturday 2nd April 2005, which we have 3 spots available for. The cost of this 10 hour trip will be \$165 per person and will be a trip you will never forget!

For further details or to organize a trip for 6 people aboard Big Red, contact Jay on (03) 9807 6622.

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PONDER THIS...

Corporate Fishing Charters was represented by Gordon Howlett at the Port Stephens Interclub Game Fishing Tournament last week and was a part of the winning capture boat for the day! Sure he is claiming to be a champion but for those of you who know him, we all know that he likes to take quite long naps whilst aboard boats in as many interesting places as possible! So I guess the question on everybody's lips when they hear this story is: Was he even awake for most of the captures or is he really a champion fisherman?!!

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Report from Vanuatu Corporate Trip February 2005



The Bunker Freight Group

The joys of the job! Taking 37 clients to Vanuatu for a 4 night/5 day trip with 3 days gamefishing. The boys and 1 lady from Bunker Freight had a ball and their first international trip seemed to be a success.

With this number we tied up all the major charter boats in Vanuatu and it became something of an informal tournament which some took very serious. The majority of the boats we used were Blackwatches and all were very well equipped.

The fish teased the boys a bit but Blue Marlin (including a double hook up), Yellowfin (60kg the biggest), Dogtooth Tuna, Wahoo, Mahi Mahi, Jobfish and Skip Jack Tuna gave the boys some action. We were all accommodated at Irririki Resort, a location I would strongly recommend for a nice get-away holiday.

Vanuatu, being only 3.5 hours out of Sydney is well within reach for a romantic long weekend away and with access to some smaller boats, you can get out and do some amazing sportsfishing!

The Bunker boys also kept the bar staff busy and the trip provided a great relaxing time for both staff and clients of the Bunker Freight company as well as a great networking exercise as there were people present from all over Australia.

When not looking after the group, I had a great chance to check out the boats as well as other options such as sportsfishing. We now have boats available such as Ymer—a 34ft Blackwatch which is available for \$1500 per day and can fish 6 anglers with 4 being the preferred number.

For sportsfishing, we have El Nino—a 25ft centre cabin boat that can take up to 4 anglers for \$700 per day but Eric prefers 3 anglers to keep things comfortable. This also gives him the option to take you out to the sea mounts. These are not bad prices for a full days fishing and we will happily put together a specific package for you upon application!

Easter Weekend Available in Melbourne

What better way to spice up an Easter break than with a local fishing trip. Both a great opportunity to get away from the family and to spend time with them also... Its up to you! On speaking to most of my Melbourne operators, there is much doing at Easter and for the first time in 2005, the dates are only a month away and they are not booked out!

The especially exciting thing about this availability is that it is in prime season for Elephant fishing in Westernport Bay. Apart from this one weekend, Sidewinder is booked out until almost mid April. This boat takes 16 people and whether you are looking at having a big family trip or going out alone or with a couple of mates, your skipper will have you on the best marks fishing for a kind of fish that is only in season in this area for 2 months!

But that's not all we are offering, you could try a short trip aboard Top of the Bay from St Kilda. Andre, your skipper, can cater for any level of skill and he is fully equipped to cater for children also. The great thing about this trip, is if you decide to do a 5 hour morning trip for \$70 per person... you will be served the best kind of morning tea available—hot tea and coffee with pancakes a la Bo Jangles! This trip is definitely something you have to give a go!

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Tasmania Explored

Part of this *horrible* job is that I am in constant need of finding new destinations for our clients to explore. Because of this, I headed down to the East coast of Tasmania to check out the saltwater aspect of their fishing state.

I visited St Helens and Swansea and connected up with Wildcat Fishing Charters who have a range of boats ideal for Game Fishing for Marlin and Tuna off St Helens, not to mention some amazing bottom bouncing off Swansea. Striped Trumpeter are certainly on the list and for those who have already done Flinders Island, this is a wonderful and exciting alternative! In addition to all of this you also have the option of cheap airfares through Virgin/Jetstar and the option to overnight on the ferry with your own car. This is certainly a competitive weekend destination. If you have a group of 4-6 or if it is just yourself, contact us for some further information on this



"Emma Louise"

**A 34ft purpose built
craft perfect for Game**

fabulous new Corporate Fishing Charters destination. We are also putting together some share charters in the near future for all you singles so let us know your dates and we will most certainly keep you informed!



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(03) 9799 8329**

Ladies Tours - Flinders, Fiji, Melbourne... EVERYWHERE No more excuses guys!

OK Guys... There are definitely no more excuses to leave the wife and kids at home with our new range of ladies tours becoming available in many of our destinations!

Everything from eco-tours to massages to day spas for the ladies will keep them entertained and in bliss to no end whilst you are out there fishing away!

It all begun with a preliminary trial on a trip to Flinders Island in November of 2004 with the attendance of 3 wives and myself on the boys annual Flinders trip. Instead of spending our days on board with the guys we indulged in a fantastic tour of the island and remerged with the group for dinner. This trip was a resounding success and sparked an interest for myself in the "Ladies options" we could build in

to the ordinary fishing trips which we run all over Australia and throughout the South Pacific Islands.

These trips can be a single day out of St Kilda to accompanying your husband on our annual Savusavu Tournament in Fiji in August. We have a wide range of activities which we can arrange for the non fishing parties including eco-tours, day spas, day cruises, adventure tours and many more.

Just like our fishing trips, all you have to do is contact us with what you have in mind and we will put together a trip for the both of you or a group of "the girls" which you will never forget. Contact Jay on (03) 9807 6622 for further details.



Ladies Tour Flinders Island 2004

www.corporatefishingcharters.com.au UP & RUNNING!

After many months of deliberation and hard work, we have now got our "new look" Corporate Fishing Charters website up and running. Although not fully completed, it has a great new layout and more up to date information on all our destinations as well as a "Members Only" section including specials, a photo gallery and more!

With great thanks to our designer, Gordon McLeish, our website is now more professional, more up to date and full of information that any fisherman or fisherwoman would find

fascinating! After creating many of the small details myself along with much of the information, I believe that our website will be useful to you, the angler, and any other person looking for a holiday or even a corporate trip.

As you know, we are able to put together a trip to any of our destinations specifically to suit your needs but the standards are now all available for viewing on the site to give you a general idea. Please take the time to have a look through the site and we would appreciate any feedback you have!

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Elephant Fish are HERE!

The members invitations have gone out and now we are inviting you, our regular clients, to come along and enjoy an Easter Sunday on Westernport Bay which will be fun for all. The trip is booked for the 27th March 2005 (Easter Sunday) which is a prime date during the Elephant Fishing season.

Why not bring the family along, after all, we all look forward to having maybe a couple of drinks and a great day on the water. You don't need to be a dead set serious fisherman (although we do have some of those) even if

you don't know the slightest thing about fishing (much like Jay!) we will be glad to have you on board to meet some of the voices we have been hearing over the telephone for so long!

The Elephant Fish season creates a craze of sorts around the Melbourne Fishing Circles as these creatures are only in season from early March to late April every year. We had our first report of one being caught only last week from Rob, the skipper of our charter vessel, Sidewinder, who are out there 7 days a week

with different groups of anglers. These guys know where the best spots are and who better to be out with than a company who really knows their stuff! There is only space for 16 people aboard the boat so be sure not to miss out. This trip generally sells pretty quickly and at only \$70 per person you cant really ask for much more! Call Jay to reserve your spot!



*Callorhynchus milii
(The Elephant Fish)*

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We will put you on the right boat in the right place at the right time to give you a trip you will never forget!

Share Charter Dates 2005

13th March 2005

Elephant Fish Trip 3 Spots Available \$ 70pp

26th - 27th March 2005

Port Albert Anglers Heaven 6 Sports Available \$ 490pp

Sunday 27th March 2005

Elephant Fish Trip 10 Spots Available \$ 70pp

1st - 3rd April 2005

Flinders Island Trip 6 Spots Available \$ 795pp

Sunday 17th April 2005

Mornington Club Trip 18 Spots Available \$ 50pp

20th - 27th April 2005

CFC Tonga Trip 4 Spots Available \$3000pp

7th - 8th May 2005

Warrnambool Weekend 6 Spots Available \$ 495pp

2nd - 7th June 2005

Munupi Wilderness Lodge 4 Spots Available \$3500pp

19th - 26th August 2005

Friendly Tournament - Fiji 10 Spots Available \$2995pp

18th - 25th September 2005

PNG Trip 3 Spots Available \$4995pp

Sunday 2nd October 2005

Top of the Bay Club Trip 16 Spots Available \$ 70pp

CFC Out There & Shaking It!

It certainly has been a very busy period for Corporate Fishing Charters over the past months as we get out to a variety of different locations and events.

With the assistance of Jim & Pam Cooper (with many thanks to the two of you), we have recently attended two very successful country expos, one in Ballarat and also in Morwell. With Jim's love of fishing and Pam's first hand knowledge of Flinders for the ladies, they have created quite a lot of interest. The Flinders Trip in November 2005 is now selling extra quickly due to the accompaniment of our ladies on this trip. They will be coming to see all the beautiful sights that Flinders Island has to offer while we just have to fish all day!

The Melbourne Summer Boat Show saw us displaying our wears in the marquee and again with a positive reaction from the many people who attended.

I personally have a heavy commitment to the Game Fishing Clubs in NSW over the next few months. We have sponsored the Lake Macquarie Game Fishing Club where the wining angler tagged and released 7 Marlin over the weekend—Well Done George! In a few weeks it will be time to head to the Newcastle/Port Stephens Big Game Shoot Out and then on to the Sydney Game Fishing Tournament to be held in April.

We also have a number of club nights planned over the next few months, some being general Corporate Fishing Charters nights and others based on particular locations and species of fish. If you are involved with a club and you would like to have a representative of Corporate Fishing Charters visit your club for an evening to give you a presentation on any destination, all you need to do is give us a call. But remember for sponsorship, we will support your club if they support us by using our services.

It is through all these promotions that we can put together share charter trips so if you have a destination in mind let us know and we can provide it for you.

Also for those interested in the new destination in Fiji, go out and buy a copy of Fishing World (March edition) and read about the fishing in Vanua Balavu. I challenge anybody to read this article and no put it on their wish list of destinations! We are also happy to promote your business in our newsletters, so give us a call to discuss with Jay, what we can do for you!