

### SIV Update

#### **Victorian Fisheries Research Advisory Board Meeting, SIV Offices; 6th September**

The VicFRAB convened at the SIV offices to discuss the FRDC Preliminary Research Proposals. The VicFRAB consists of Renee Vajtauer as the Executive Officer, Ross McGowan, Jon Presser, Peter Rankin, Christopher Collins and was chaired by FRDC's Crispian Ashby. Closing round for 2011 is November 1st 2010.

#### **Public Land Management Forum, Melbourne; 8th September**

SIV representatives attended a Public land forum where issues were discussed concerning commercial and recreational uses of public land. There are many similarities faced by land based and

fishing industries such as access rights, biodiversity and the future of resources.

#### **SIV AGM, The Black Olive, North Melbourne; 20th September**

More details and the announcement of new Board members, see page 2.

#### **National Seafood Industry Leadership Program, Canberra; 21-23rd September**

More details page 3.

#### **National Seafood Industry Alliance, Teleconference; 22nd September**

The alliance met to discuss fishing issues at a federal level. The alliance has organised a series of meetings with the new govern-

ment in mid October.

#### **National Seafood Industry Leadership Program Missions and Strategies Launch, Canberra; 23rd September**

Over the last 6 months, the participants of the NSILP have worked to reach their objectives in their mission and strategies. The results of their hard work were presented to a captive audience of current industry leaders in Canberra. Further details on page 3.

#### **National Seafood Industry Leadership program Graduation Dinner, Parliament House, Canberra; 23rd September**

More details on page 3



## Seafood Directions Conference Gold Coast Convention Centre 23 - 25 October 2011

Seafood Directions 2011 sets the compass for the industry in a 3 day series of presentations, workshops and functions. Connect directly with stakeholders, government, suppliers and buyers in the stunning playground of the Gold Coast.

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## SIV Annual General Meeting

SIV's AGM was held at The Black Olive, an indigenous function centre located in North Melbourne.

The AGM started at 10am with all matters addressed within the agenda. John Hasker AM, Chairman, gave an overview of SIV's activities from the last year followed by Ross' Executive Director's report.

John Hasker highlighted two significant events, the Inaugural Victorian Seafood Industry Awards and Seafood Directions 2010. John also thanked the Board for their hard work and support during the year.

Ross McGowan touched upon the positive outcomes for industry, including again the two major events, but also the commitment that was made by the government that 'there is no need for further mandatory closures and cutbacks without the support of industry'. Ross also spoke of the close relationship maintained

with the Minister and his office and that this will be continued for the betterment of industry.

Thanks was given to the Board, Finance committee and SIV staff.

A finance report was detailed by the Chair of SIV's finance committee Geoff Ellis. All account details are available in SIV's Annual Report (contact the office for copies or also available on SIV's website).

Ross proceeded to announce the new Board members, to fulfil a two year directorship.

Directors are as follows;

**ABALONE**  
Geoff Ellis

**EEL, BAIT, BAY, INLET and INLAND**  
Maria Manias

**ROCKLOBSTER and GIANT CRAB**  
Anthony Cicone

**MARICULTURE/AQUACULTURE**  
Vacant

**SCALLOP**  
Andrew Watts

All other directors will continue to hold their positions until the next AGM were they will be available for nomination or re-election.

Following the AGM, the full Board for 2010-2011 met for a brief Board meeting and induction. It was voted unanimously at the Board meeting that John Hasker AM was to remain the Chairman and that Arthur Allen was to remain Deputy Chair. Vin Gannon was also voted onto the Board to remain as a casual representative, filling this vacancy.

The next challenge for the Board of 2010-2011 is to update SIV's strategic plan and to develop a policy statement for the state election on behalf of industry, amongst other issues.

## Women without Boundaries

What does a crocodile, a Brahman and barramundi have in common? They were all part of the joint Australian Women in Agriculture (AWiA) and Women's Industry Network for the Seafood Community (WINSC) conference.

The conference 'Women without boundaries' provided a forum for women in agriculture and fishing to share their knowledge and experiences, and to expand their professional networks. A special welcome to the Papua New Guinea Women in Agriculture Development Foundation who

attended the conference, to learn from Australian women and their industries.

Darwin's seafood culture was highlighted through presentations by Carmel Ball, founder of the Darwin Fish Market and a tour of Humpty Doo Barramundi Farm owned and operated by Bob and Julii Tyson. Julii is also the Northern Territory Director on the WINSC Board. It was great to see the labelling laws in action in the Territory, and having the choice of what you are ordering is local or imported in origin. Hopefully,

the rest of Australia will be adopting the initiative.



Kylie Paulsen, President WINSC with Maria and Rufina of PNG.

## National Seafood Industry Leadership Program

Renee Vajtauer of Seafood Industry Victoria was one of seventeen leaders who graduated from the six-month National Seafood Industry Leadership Program in Canberra on the 23<sup>rd</sup> of September 2010. The seventeen participants were drawn from across the industry with fishers, researchers, seafood industry service providers and marketers making up the National Seafood Industry Leadership Program (NSILP) 2010 team.

The Graduation was part of the final industry networking dinner which was once again strongly supported by key stakeholders in the seafood industry from across Australia and attended by the newly appointed Parliamentary Secretary for Fisheries – Dr Mike Kelly. During the final residential session held in Canberra the NSILP 2010 team delivered the 2010 Mission to the industry. Renee chaired the particularly powerful Mission Launch providing the assembled industry stakeholders with a clear understanding of the commitment the 2010 participants have for the seafood industry. Renee also concluded the Mission Launch with an invitation to the industry to connect with the graduates of 2010 to ensure that the industry is in safe hands for the future.

The Graduation Dinner guests were addressed by two NSILP 2010 participants who provided the guests with some excellent information about specific sectors which make up the broad seafood industry and community. Emily Rowe also provided a detailed address about the three industry sectors she works in and Roy Johnston provided insight into the Sydney Fish Market where he is an auctioneer.

Jill Briggs, NSILP Manager, also addressed the gathered dinner guests. "I spoke to the guests about the importance of risk-taking element in leadership. And spent some time highlighting the risk that each NSILP 2010 had taken in their willingness to par-

ticipate in leadership development. 2010 was a particularly important milestone for leadership within the seafood industry as this year marks 10 years of investment and we bestowed honorary graduation status to the two major supporters of the program – The Fisheries Research and Development Corporation and the 10 year sponsor of the program – Sydney Fish Market."

The graduation dinner was the final activity of the six month National Seafood Industry Leadership Program. During the six months participants attend three 3-day residentials. The NSILP team plans and implements an industry mission; participates in

more than twenty skills development sessions; networks with over 90 industry stakeholders through guest speaker panels and industry networking activities and; tours at least two industry workplaces. Participants give varied responses when asked to consider the most vital element of NSILP but a number speak highly of the networking dinners and guest speaker panels and comment on the high calibre of invited individuals who attend the program. "From my experience one of the "sleeper" issues identified regularly by the graduates is professional friendships that are commenced and continue beyond the program," said Jill Briggs.



Left: Renee Vajtauer with Parliamentary Secretary The Hon. Dr Mike Kelly



l-r – Jedd Routledge, Carl Paulo, Steve Davies, Roy Johnston, Ben Cameron, Melissa Walker, David Kreutz, Maureen Jones, Renee Vajtauer, Brad Milic, Dr Mike Kelly, Tim Karlov, Emily Rowe, Andrew Rowland, Renae Parsons, Lyn Lambeth, Matt West, Sarah Reinhart.

## Victorian SeaNet Environmental Extension Officer

OceanWatch Australia seeks a great communicator to join our award winning SeaNet team to work with commercial fishers, scientists and management authorities to promote sustainable fishing gear and practices in Victoria. The successful applicant needs to be committed to environmentally sustainable commercial fisheries and be prepared to travel and spend time at sea, and ideally have experience of the fishing industry. The position will

be based in Melbourne.

SeaNet is OceanWatch Australia's commercial fisheries environmental extension service, funded under the Commonwealth Government's Caring for our Country. SeaNet seeks to improve the sustainability of Australian fisheries by working with the fishing industry to develop cost effective and practical solutions to reducing the environmental impacts of com-

mmercial fishing.

For an application pack visit [www.oceanwatch.org.au](http://www.oceanwatch.org.au) or email [recruitment@oceanwatch.org.au](mailto:recruitment@oceanwatch.org.au) or call 02 9660 2262. All applications must address the selection criteria and received by close of business on **Wednesday 13th October 2010**.

## Ling - Peak Season for Victoria

Pink ling (*Genypterus blacodes*) and Rock ling (*Genypterus tigerunis*) are common species found in Victoria at this time of year. Both have an upper jaw extending well behind the eye and eel like tails. They also both feature a long rounded body with barbell-like pelvic fins originating below the centre of the eye. Obviously by its common name the pink ling has skin tones of mottled pink.

Pink ling seems to bury in soft

substrate and can be found on the continental shelf up to depths of 800m. They are caught year round mainly by trawlers, but are also taken by long lines, mesh nets and traps.

The rock ling is bottom dwelling and mainly lives in caves and under ledges on reefs. They are caught in small quantities using rocklobster pots, gillnets and Danish seines. The flesh is highly regarded by consumers in Victoria

and is marketed fresh, whole gutted or as fillets.

Both have a delicate mild flavour with the flesh mainly white in appearance.



Pink Ling - *Genypterus blacodes*



Rock Ling - *Genypterus tigerunis*

## Rockling marinated in lime, ginger and garlic from 774 ABC Melbourne

### Ingredients

2 tablespoons canola oil  
2 tablespoons sugar  
2 tablespoons fresh lime juice  
2 tablespoons fish sauce  
2 tablespoons sweet chilli sauce  
2 tablespoons grated ginger  
2 tablespoons garlic  
4 rockling fillets of 200g-250g each

### Method

In a suitable bowl mix all the

marinade ingredients together. Marinate the fish one hour before you want to cook and set aside in the fridge.

The extra marinade you could use to cook some bok choy in a hot wok. The rockling should be grilled for about 20 minutes, basting the fish occasionally with the marinade.

Once the fish is cooked serve it on your bok choy with a little bit of steamed rice.



## Sustainable Fishing - Healthy Seafood

### In Brief.....



**VBIFA AGM;** The Victorian Bays and Inlet Fishery Association will be holding their AGM at the SIV premises on Saturday 2nd October 10am. Members of VBIFA welcome.

**National EMS Conference 2010;** This event will be held in Geelong from the 11-13th October. As a framework for collective action, an EMS has possibilities far beyond its current use. What are

these possibilities and how can EMSs be harnessed to achieve local and global outcomes will be the focus of this year's conference.

### EMPLOYMENT WANTED

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### Schedule of Events

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| 2nd October     | VIBIFA AGM - SIV Offices, West Melbourne                                   |
| 11-13th October | 2010 National EMS Conference - Geelong                                     |
| 27th October    | Fisheries and Aquaculture Extension and Adoption Network - Melbourne       |
| 31st October    | San Remo Fishing Festival - San Remo                                       |
| 1st November    | National Research Providers Network Meeting - Melbourne                    |
| 2nd November    | MELBOURNE CUP—SIV Closed   |
| 4th November    | AgriFood Skills Australia Standing Committee Meeting - Melbourne           |
| 5th November    | National Seafood Industry Alliance Meeting - Adelaide                      |
| 6-10th November | The International Seafood and Health Conference and Exhibition - Melbourne |

## SIV is a non government, not for profit organisation that is here to help YOU!

SIV represents all members involved in the harvesting, processing, wholesaling, retailing and exporting of seafood in Victoria. SIV acts on your behalf and best interests to make the Victorian commercial fishing industry environmentally sustainable, economically viable and to secure the future of your industry.

Please contact SIV if you have any concerns about your fishing or seafood industry.  
Don't leave it too late!

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