



SUNFISH FRASER COAST

FISHING FOR VOTES

Sunfish Fraser Coast surveyed candidates via email in Hinkler and Wide Bay on issues affecting Recreational fishing. We urge all anglers to consider these issues when casting their vote.

HINKLER

Belinda McNeven, ALP:	Will implement more large no-fishing Green zones ^{xx}
Jenny Fitzgibbon, Greens:	Will implement more large no-fishing Green zones
Paul Neville, LNP:	Will halt implementation of no-fishing green zones for consultation and science
Adriane Wone, Independent:	Believes Recreational Fishing does little harm to the Environment
Cy D'Oliveira, Independent:	Regretfully was not able to be contacted via email
Trevor John Versace, Family First:	No response

WIDE BAY

Nikolee Ansell, ALP:	Will implement more large no-fishing Green zones ^{xx}
Jim McDonald, Greens:	Will implement more large no-fishing Green zones ^{xx}
Warren Truss, LNP:	Will halt implementation of no-fishing green zones for consultation and science
Santo Ferarro, One Nation:	One Nation opposes the closure of fishing areas as demanded by the greens. Sustainability through education.
Ken Hershell, Family First:	No response

^{xx} Did not respond. Note information is summarized from policy and/or previous decisions and legislation. Candidates were asked to provide Sunfish Fraser Coast a copy of their Recreational Fishing Policy and advise how it affects this region and to advise their position in relation to these issues and others. The information summarizes the responses. For full details on the responses please visit www.sunfish.com.au

Angler Beware!

Recreational anglers are warned to be aware that this federal election could seriously affect their favourite pastime.

Both the Greens and the Labor Party have been pushing for banning fishing in more and larger areas, but have failed to consult with stakeholders and have failed to use good science.

Sunfish has become very alarmed at the lack of consultation and lack of scientific support for these closures. So much so that they canvassed the candidates in the federal election and have published the results of those surveys for all to see.

Sunfish urges voters to vote for the individuals and/or parties that are willing to listen and use good science to

manage our marine environment. Sunfish is not opposed to marine parks and protecting fragile ecosystems, but does want all decisions to be rational.

In the most recent survey of recreational fishing [Tobin, C. 2010 JCU Baseline Socio-Economic Data For Queensland East Coast Inshore And Rocky Reef Fishery Stakeholders] it was shown that 71% of all households have at least one person who is a keen recreational fisher.

Also of note in that report was the fact that 79% of all recreational fishers strongly support the proposal of dedicated recreational only fishing areas.

Data from the report also indicates that Recreational fishing in Qld is worth over \$700,000,000 to the economy per year.

I FISH AND I VOTE