



Australian National Sportfishing Association N.S.W. Branch

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MEMO

TO: Club Secretaries
FROM: NSW State Executive
DATE: 23 March 2005
SUBJECT: Save Striped Marlin

ANSA in conjunction with other recreational fishing associations and other bodies commercially involved with the recreational fishing sector are actively campaigning to have the NSW Government and the Federal government to take urgent and positive action to save the Striped Marlin fishery.

Essentially we need the support of every ANSA member, family and friend to make this campaign a success.

I have taken the liberty of reproducing an article recently released on the sportfish.com.au website which details the issues at stake involving the marlin fishery and what we need to do as recreational anglers to convince the State and Federal Governments to take action now.

What we want is for Striped Marlin to be declared a “recreational only” species in all Australian waters by the Federal Government and for the NSW Government to prohibit longliners from taking live bait in NSW waters.

Attached is a petition addressed to the respective Federal and State Ministers responsible for Fisheries. Please make sure all your members sign the petition and circulate copies of the petition among your family and friends so that we can send a clear message to the Federal and State Government Ministers that we have strong and broad community support for the campaign. Also you can get the message across to your local State and Federal MP that we want action taken to save the Striped Marlin fishery. Drop your local MP a line or an email or contact him/her personally and apply some voter pressure.

This is a united campaign by all involved with recreational fishing so make sure all your members and friends give 100% support. Completed petitions can be mailed to “Save Striped Marlin” c/o PO Box 328 Matraville. NSW 2035

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