

FISHING APPS.

Some worthwhile applications (apps) are available for both Android and apple phones and tablets. Following are suggestions that will assist the recreational angler either when planning a fishing trip or whilst on the water to check on possible weather condition changes.

1. First is a virtual full navigation map from Navionics Boating. The app runs out at about \$20.00 and works as a chart plotter and position indicator. It works for quite a distance out to sea but should never be a replacement for a real satellite GPS system.

www.navionics.com/en/mobile-pc-app

2. Next give the recreational angler alarms using the above Navionics app whenever they stray into a marine zone. It also lets you know the regulations pertaining to the zone.

Cost is about \$3.00

www.marinezones.com.au

3. Weather by Willy weather has lots of info for the angler and gives tides and other information as well.

Cost is free.

www.Itunes.apple.com/au/app/willyweather/id592978502

4. Next is a really good tide chart.

Costs about \$2.00

www.realtides.com

5. Another for Queensland anglers, "Fishing QLD", includes specie bag limits and sizes. Includes hundreds of fishing locations, boat ramps and links to fisheries.

Costs about \$2.00

www.facebook.com/BoatingFishingQueensland

6. Want to know how to tie a good knot. This one is for you. More than a hundred animated knots used by anglers and boaties.

Pro knot fishing and rope knots

Cost is about \$2.00

available from itunes or google play

7. Another good one is a **fishing calendar**. Displays the best fishing times for your area. You can even store your catch photos on the site with size, weight, and location for future reference.

Costs \$6.49 and is only available for iphone on itunes app store.