



## **ANSA 50th Year Anniversary**

ANSA will be celebrating its 50th anniversary this year with a special event to be held in Cairns, where the ANSA story began in 1967. The event will embrace a National Conference on Sportfishing featuring an expo of historic ANSA memorabilia, a fishing competition and a fishing expedition – all designed to bring together like minded young and old ANSA sportfishers and their families from across Australia to celebrate and reflect on the past and contemplate the future of sportfishing.

The event will kick off with an informal BBQ on Friday 22 September at the Figtree Tanks Art Centre – 46 Collins Ave Edge Hill. This will be followed on Saturday and Sunday by a 2 day Conference and Sportfishing expo also at the Tanks Art Centre. A formal dinner will be held on the Saturday evening.

On Monday conference attendees can stay on and join in a fishing competition with locals in the Cairns Net Free Zone encompassing Trinity Inlet and the Barwon River. If one days fishing isn't enough to satisfy your appetite then you will have the opportunity to join in a 4 day fishing expedition to the Hinchinbrook channel from Tuesday through to Friday 26 - 29 September.

If you are contemplating a trip to Cairns for this celebratory event then it is advisable you get in early to arrange flights and accommodation. Also, if you have any historic ANSA material that could be featured at the expo then please get in touch with

Nathan Johnston ([president@ansaqld.com.au](mailto:president@ansaqld.com.au)) or

John Burgess (<mailto:abtrap@yahoo.com.au>).

Registration fees are \$34 for ANSA Members and \$99 for others – this includes the Friday BBQ, Conference and Expo attendance and Saturday evening dinner. If you want to know more about the event or to register on line go to:-

([ansaqld.com.au/ansa-50<sup>th</sup>](http://ansaqld.com.au/ansa-50th))