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83 SAS BASS So there *are* bass in Western Australia — and cod, too. Kim Bain goes under cover to find them.

85 MUD FLAT BARRA Targeting barra working tidal mud flats is one of Micah Adams' favourite fishing techniques, and it certainly gets results.



89 LAKE MACQUARIE BREEM Now 100 per cent net-free, Lake Macquarie is turning up quality bream fishing for Jamie Robley and a host of locals.

93 THE GIRLS AT GLENBAWN A first for NSW, this females-only event was a smashing success. Leeann Payne reports.



96 WHAT A WEEKEND! Despite a few major disasters, John Mondora's team finally hit the water in the Daiwa BARRA comp and did surprisingly well after a late start.

99 IBA TOURNAMENT 2005 A comp that offers bass and barra in the same impoundment can only be a recipe for success. Kim Bain was there.

102 A LENGTHY DEBATE Rod length can have a major bearing on small lure bream spinning success, as noted Australian rod builder, Ian Miller, explains.

107 BARRACADE Gill nets are doing some good for once, as part of a barramundi stock sampling exercise on Corroboree Billabong. Peter Hurt was there to record the results.



110 OFFICE HOURS' BARRA After dark is not necessarily the best time to find those big lake barramundi, as Neil Schultz explains.

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Cover: Neil Schultz with a thumping impoundment bass.

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