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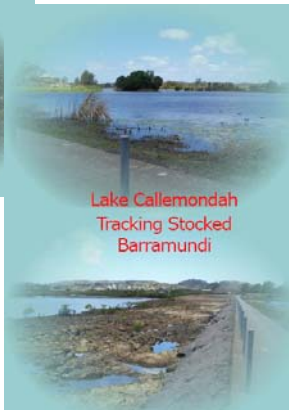


Tag details		Recapture details
Tag	R19823	
Species	Barramundi (<i>Lates calcarifer</i>)	
Date	26/11/2005	22/12/2006
Length	185mm	600mm
Location	Clare Weir	Below Burdekin Dam
Fisher	BFRA	Robert Douglas
Days Out	391	
Growth	415mm (387mm/year)	
Movement	105km up river	
Released	Yes	

This was a tagged fish stocked by the Burdekin Fish Restocking Association. This fish had to get past Blue Valley Weir, Gorge Weir and several waterfalls through 10-15km of the Gorge below the Burdekin dam. All of this in a period when there was only one flow event.

Tag details		Recapture details
Tag	P43176	
Species	Snapper (<i>Pagrus australis</i>)	
Date	8/4/2006	26/1/2007
Length	250mm (FL)	300mm (FL)
Location	Deep Tempest	Rifleman Wreck
Fisher	Mick Clutterbuck	Jeff Sorrell
Days Out	293	
Growth	50mm (62mm/year)	
Movement	Approximately same area	
Released	Yes	

This is the first fish tagged where it was caught in 100m of water and recaptured in 110m. It was reported as being in good condition on recapture and swum away strongly.



After 20 years of collecting tag and other data this year Suntag will be looking to produce a number of technical reports that will provide interesting stories and feedback to groups that have worked on specific projects.

Over the last few years many Fish Stocking Groups have stocked larger tagged fish. This has provided a unique opportunity to track these fish over time to look at their survival, growth and distribution. Two reports have recently been produced based on stocking in the Cairns area and Lake Callemondah at Gladstone. These reports are available from the Suntag website www.info-fish.net.

