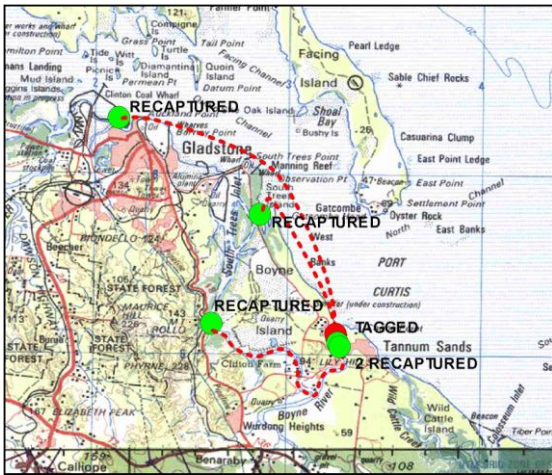
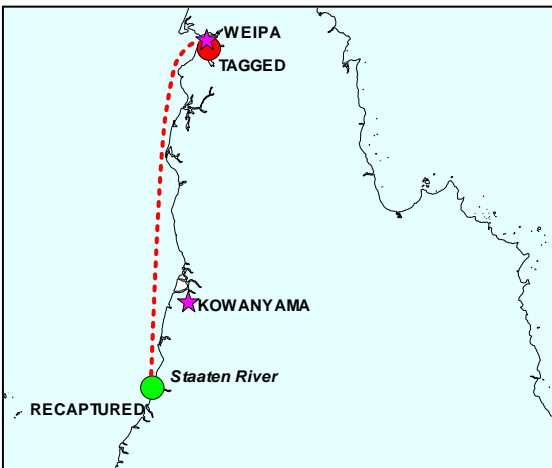




What Happens to Tagged Fish?

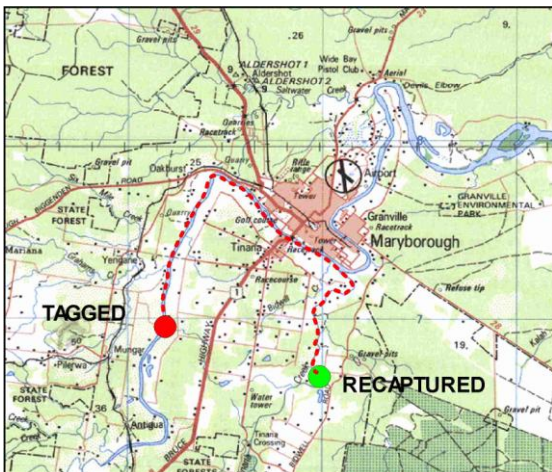


The Boyne Tannum Hookup fishing competition was conducted from 8-10 June based near the mouth of the Boyne River at Gladstone. The competition has a live fish section where fish are bought in alive then tagged and released. Gladstone Sportfishing Club members carried out the tagging. A total of 259 fish were tagged including 156 Yellowfin Bream (*Acanthopagrus australis*). All fish were released at the same site and so far 12 fish including 5 Yellowfin Bream have been recaptured. 3 Dusky Flathead (*Platycephalus fuscus*) and 3 Pikey Bream (*Acanthopagrus berda*) have been recaptured in the area they were released. However the Yellowfin Bream have been taken from a variety of locations as shown on the accompanying map. These movements have all occurred within 52 days of the event.



Tag details		Recapture details
Tag	J91057	
Species	King Threadfin (<i>Polynemus sheridani</i>)	
Date	18/10/00	24/7/01
Length	870mm	1050mm
Location	Embley River	Staaten River
Fisher	Peter Stoneley	Jeff Newman
Days Out	279	
Growth	180mm (0.64mm/day)	
Movement	440km south along coast (1.58km/day)	
Released	No	

This is a significant movement for a threadfin although similar movements in the Gulf of Carpentaria have been recorded in the past in the early 90s.



Tag details		Recapture details
Tag	J30619	
Species	Aust Bass (<i>Macquaria colonorum</i>)	
Date	21/10/99	31/7/01
Length	385mm	380mm
Location	Mary River Barrage	Tinana Creek
Fisher	Roger Bowden	Kevin Carmichael
Days Out	649	
Growth	0mm	
Movement	26km down river then up creek past barrage	
Released	No	

This bass was caught at the bottom of the Mary River barrage and then released above the barrage. It has come back down over that barrage and then moved down the river to Tinana Creek. It has then moved up Tinana Creek and somehow gotten past the barrage there.