



## AMATEUR FISHERMEN'S ASSOCIATION OF THE NT INC.

### MEDIA RELEASE

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The Amateur Fishermen's Association of the NT (AFANT) is pleased to announce the appointment of its new Executive Officer David Ciaravolo. The appointment of a new EO is due to the resignation of the previous EO Tristan Sloan who had resigned to take up a new challenge. The AFANT Committee thanks Tristan for his service and hard work during his tenure and wish him well in his new role.

The incoming EO David Ciaravolo comes to the Territory with a wealth of experience from his previous role as the Executive Director & Communications Manager-RecFishSA, his demonstrated experience in leading strategy, working with Government bodies to facilitate legislation formation and amendments, policy development and research on a range of recreational fishing issues, in conjunction with RecFish SA Board of Directors was a key factor in his successful application.

In addition, apart from his academic qualifications, his experience in working with/in the fishing tackle industry, contributions to fishing related fishing media and volunteering with associated bodies at both a state and national level, plus as an attendee at the Australian Future Leaders in Recreational Fishing International Study Tour Recfishing Research, Fisheries Research and Development Corporation (FRDC), Sao Paulo, Brazil August-September 2014 looking at such issues as:

- International approaches to measuring recreational fisheries
- The influence of values employing social theory to better understand recreational fishing
- Physiological stress in fish induced by capture and release & the role of Marine Protected Areas
- Co-authoring a report on tour findings and subsequent opportunities for local extension and adoption

These qualifications convinced the AFANT committee that David has much to contribute to forwarding the interests of Recreational Fishing in the NT. He commences his role on the 20<sup>th</sup> February 2017.

David said today that he was eager to embrace the new challenge in his role as EO of AFANT in what he considers to be exciting times for recreational fishing in the Northern Territory with a number of subject matters which AFANT is currently addressing.

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