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NSW Angel Ring Update

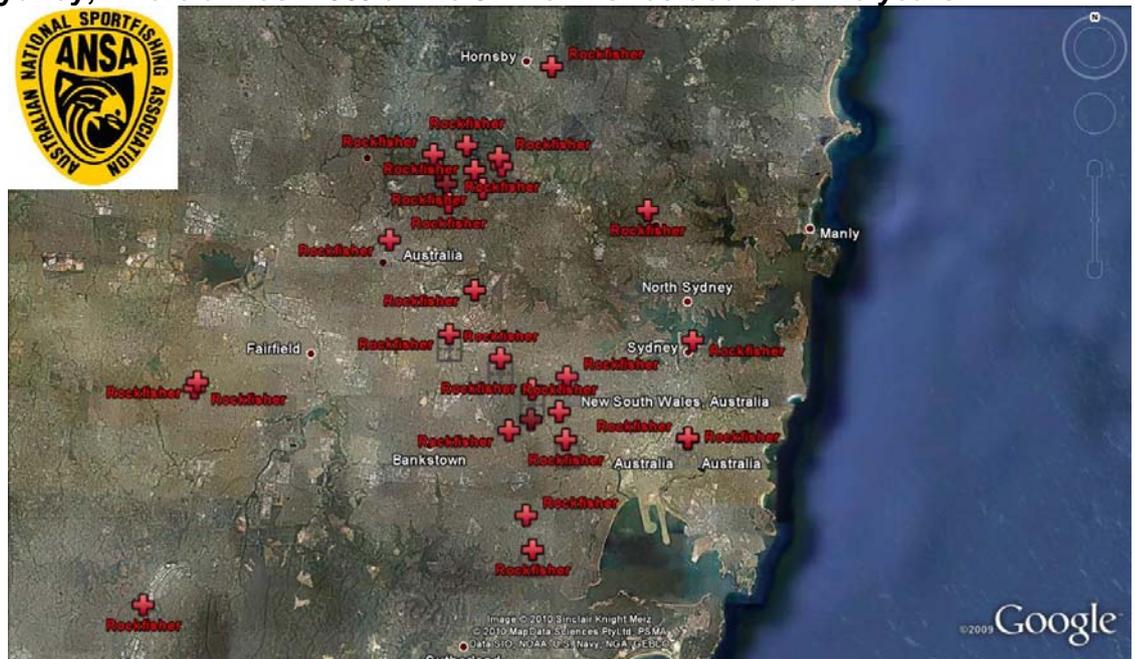
17th May 2010

Rock Fishing Deaths Have ANSA NSW Concerned

In the first two weeks of May 7 people have lost their lives whilst rockfishing in NSW. That is about the yearly average. Distressing as it is for family, friends and relatives, these impacts are also being felt throughout the dedicated team of volunteers from ANSA, the Recreational Fishing Alliance of NSW and Surf Life Saving Australia, who devote so much of their time to safe fishing initiatives, such as the Angel Ring project and an ongoing annual strategy to reduce fishing fatalities.

Rock fishing is dangerous and all anglers need to be aware of the dangers associated with fishing our coastal platforms. They MUST heed any warnings or alerts issued. Alerts indicating dangerous conditions for rock fishing were issued by RFA of NSW, and SLSA on Friday, these were beamed out across radio and TV, and yet we woke to the tragic news that another angler had not returned home and a search was underway.

Analysis of the postcodes of rockfishing victims over the past 6 years indicate a very clear pattern emerging from the North West and Inner West parts of Sydney, where almost 75% of the 37 victims resided over the years.



The NSW Government needs to provide additional funding to support existing awareness strategies and investigate others. This will allow ANSA, RFA and SLSA to engage community groups, encouraging fishers of all nationalities to improve their fishing safety knowledge, leading to fewer fatalities.

DON'T PUT YOUR LIFE ON THE LINE



ALWAYS WEAR A PFD



NEVER FISH ALONE



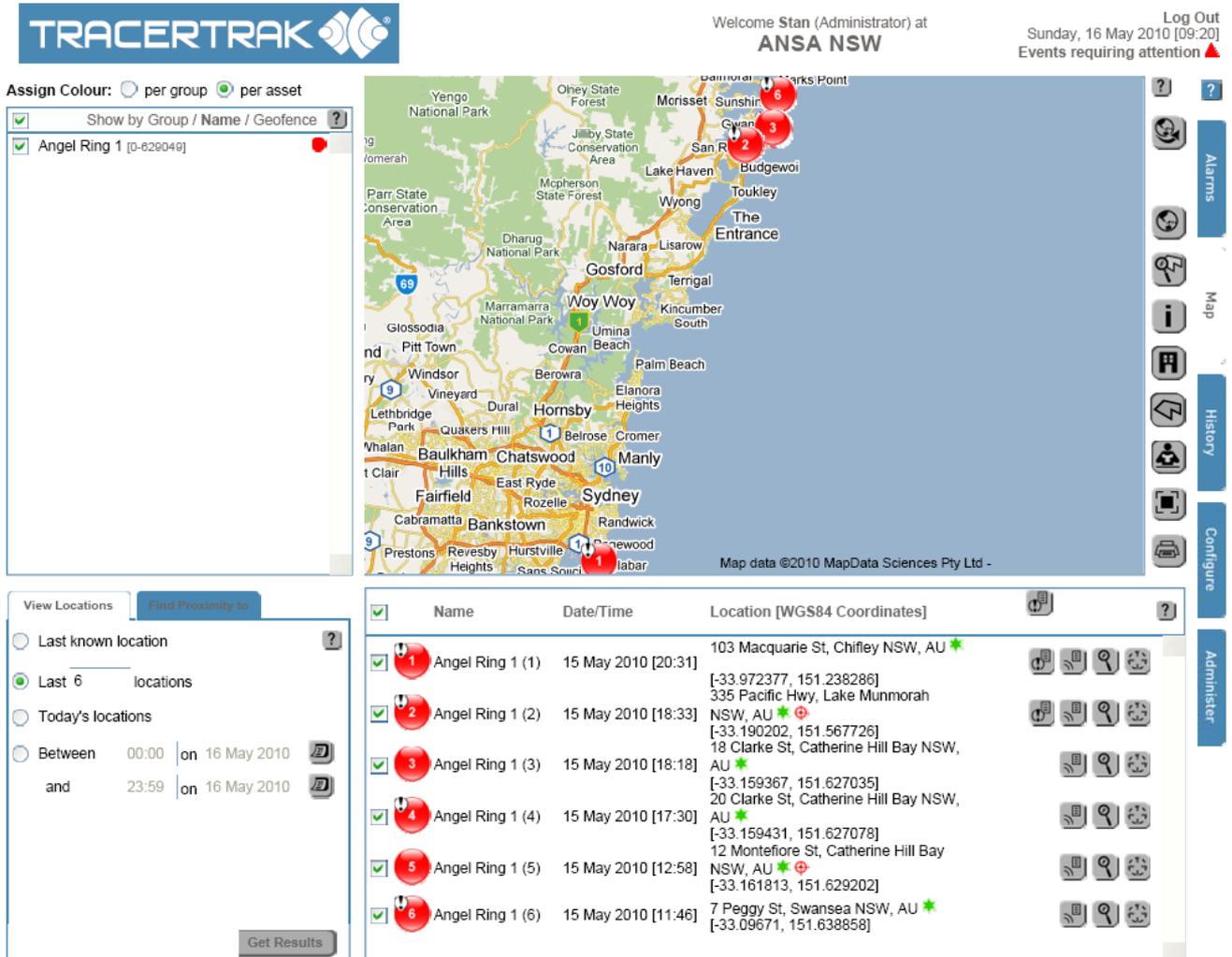
STAY ALERT! CONDITIONS CHANGE

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GPS / Satellite Tracking Trial of Angel Rings commences:

After an exhaustive period of discussions with various tracking technology manufacturers and in consultation with the team at Rotadyne, ANSA NSW has commenced trials of angel rings with satellite trackers built into them. SMS and email warnings will be initiated if an angel rings is tampered with, stolen or used in a rescue. It will enable the team to monitor the rings 24/7 and track them in real time situations. These units have a 7 year battery life. After signing off on contracts, one unit is in service and was taken up the coast a few days ago, 10 more are planned very soon, and the hope is to have the many more of the 108 rings fitted with these trackers into the future. At a \$500 cost per unit plus annual monitoring charges ANSA NSW will consider very carefully the locations chosen to host these new rings.

Below is a snapshot of what the administration console looks like.



The screenshot shows the TRACERTRAK administration console. At the top, it says "Welcome Stan (Administrator) at ANSA NSW" and "Log Out Sunday, 16 May 2010 [09:20] Events requiring attention". The main area features a map of NSW Australia with six red location markers numbered 1 through 6. To the left of the map is a sidebar with "Assign Colour" options and a "Show by Group / Name / Geofence" dropdown. Below the map is a table of location data.

Name	Date/Time	Location [WGS84 Coordinates]
Angel Ring 1 (1)	15 May 2010 [20:31]	103 Macquarie St, Chifley NSW, AU [-33.972377, 151.238286]
Angel Ring 1 (2)	15 May 2010 [18:33]	335 Pacific Hwy, Lake Munmorah NSW, AU [-33.190202, 151.567726]
Angel Ring 1 (3)	15 May 2010 [18:18]	18 Clarke St, Catherine Hill Bay NSW, AU
Angel Ring 1 (4)	15 May 2010 [17:30]	20 Clarke St, Catherine Hill Bay NSW, AU
Angel Ring 1 (5)	15 May 2010 [12:58]	12 Montefiore St, Catherine Hill Bay NSW, AU
Angel Ring 1 (6)	15 May 2010 [11:46]	7 Peggy St, Swansea NSW, AU [-33.09671, 151.638858]

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