

Media release: New recreational fishing reefs only a cast away

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Reef balls being dropped in to Port Phillip Bay

Saltwater anglers will have better fishing in Port Phillip Bay when three new reefs are deployed later this year.

Fisheries Victoria Executive Director Anthony Hurst said the recreational fishing reefs would be within casting distance of Portarlington, Altona and Frankston piers.

“The reefs are funded by fishing licence fees and will improve opportunities for shore-based anglers chasing popular species such as snapper and flathead,” Mr Hurst said.

“The three piers were selected in consultation with local angling groups, councils and Victorian Government departments and build on the success of three other reefs deployed for boat-based anglers in 2009.

Three information sessions will inform anglers and the wider public about the new reefs:

- Altona - Hobsons Bay City Council Offices, meeting room 2, 115 Civic Parade, Wednesday, July 4, 6.30-7.30pm.
- Frankston - Visitor Information Centre, 7N Pier Promenade, Saturday, July 7, 1-4pm.
- Portarlington - Parks Hall, Bay View Room, Newcombe St, Tuesday, July 10, 4-7pm.

For more information about the reefs contact Richard Rogala on (03) 9658 4374.

Fisheries Victoria is working across the state to provide better access and facilities, stocking more fish, installing fish cleaning tables, building recreational fishing reefs and strengthening fisheries compliance.

If you have a great idea to improve fishing access and facilities in your local area email it to [✉improving.fishing@dpi.vic.gov.au](mailto:improving.fishing@dpi.vic.gov.au)

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