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Thallon anglers haul in 576kg of carp!

Anglers at the Thallon Carp Buster fishing event on the weekend caught a massive 576kg of the pest fish.

Queensland Murray-Darling Committee Weed & Pest Animal Technical Officer Lavinnia Fiedler said more than 230 anglers caught more than 220 carp on May 8 and 9.

“Despite the Thallon Fishing Club rescheduling this event because of floods during March, community support for the competition was still strong,” Ms Fiedler said.

“Numbers were slightly down but it was still a great turn out and everyone enjoyed themselves at the family-friendly event.”

Ms Fiedler said the next Carp Buster event was scheduled in Bollon on May 22 and 23.

“This is really exciting as the Bollon Fishing Club has only just started, thanks to seed money provided by the Bollon Aboriginal Corporation, so we’re looking forward to anglers from across the Bollon district dropping in a line at the Carp Buster event this month.”

For more information on the Bollon Carp Buster event or the Bollon Fishing Club, contact Chris Lindsay on 4625 6232.

The remaining competitions in the seven-event 2010 Carp Buster series include:

- Bollon Carp Buster – May 22-23
- Mungindi Carp Buster – June 26-27
- St George Carp Buster – September 25-26
- Dirranbandi Carp Buster – October 16-17
- Thallon Carp Buster final – March 19-20, 2011.

QMDC’s partners for the event and associated activities include the six regional fishing clubs, the Department of Employment, Economic Development and Innovation, Biosecurity Queensland, regional councils and the Invasive Animals CRC.

Points are awarded throughout the competition for participation and the number of carp caught with anglers competing for a \$3000 prize pool. More details are available at www.qmdc.org.au or from the fishing clubs.

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Photographs from the event are available upon request.