

RULES for WGFC LADIES EVENT 2019

Ticket holders only to fish, male skippers and male crew are slaves

Fishing starts 0600 and measuring starts 15:30 (3.30pm). You must be in the queue by 16:00 (4pm) on Saturday 9th November at Sandspit Yacht Club.

Only conventional rod and reel or handline fishing allowed. You are encouraged to abide by IGFA Rules for your catches.

Per angler: Maximum 3 snapper, min length 30cm, maximum 1 kingfish min length 75cm, maximum 1 Kahawai.
If releasing fish please ensure they are in good shape or keep it.

The fishing area is open, but respecting Marine Reserves and other no-fishing zones.

Good times are compulsory, leave all your worries at home.

A major prize is for average length snapper.

Prizes also awarded for longest snapper to 5 places, longest Kahawai to 3 places, Longest Kingfish 1st place, Children's prize section, EarlyBird Ticket, Skippers prize, and best dressed team.

Measurer reserves the right to request the photo for proof of catch.

RULES FOR MEASURING FISH

Once your catch is measured you can release it into the sea or into your icebox. A wet cloth can be useful for handling fish, but wet bare hands are best. Don't slap the poor thing down on a hot/dry surface. Handle fish least as possible, do not squeeze their guts or gills, and never suspend them by their tails. Same rules apply for the handling of skippers.

Checklist:

Make sure the photo is of sufficient quality, if you're shaking too much, have another drink.

The measure should be placed on a flat surface.

The photo submitted must be in landscape format.

Take the photo from above the fish looking down on it rather than from the front or side. Take several photos just in case. Shadows can cause problems if the fish is placed on part sun/part shadow.

The tip of either the upper or lower jaw must touch the edge of the L shaped plastic end of the measure. It is permissible to have someone hold the fish on the measure while a photo is taken, provided this does not obscure the fish significantly.

The V of the tail should be as close to the midline of the measure as possible.

The jaw of the fish must not be distorted in an attempt to exaggerate the length.

Fish must be measured fresh. No 'fish-stretching', jaw extending, or other attempts to alter the natural length. Do not gut or gill your catch before taking the photo.

The innermost point of the tail V must touch or exceed the line on the measure to qualify for that 0.5cm increment. For example if your fish is just over 50cm but does not reach the 50.5cm mark then the length recorded will be 50.0cm.

FILL OUT THE CATCH SHEET DETAILS NOW, don't assume you'll remember them. The organisers reserve the right to accept and entry on the basis that an appropriate reduction in length is made for any non-compliance and the organisers reserve the right to disqualify any catch at their discretion.

Tips:

Record catches straight away, don't try to remember whom caught what and when—short term memories last about as long as a glass of bubbles.

If your fish isn't too happy about being out of the water, turn it upside down for a few seconds—works a treat.

Measure quickly and release.

Be quick— a fish out of water is like us being held underwater for the same period of time!

Check out LegaSea FishCare for more good stuff.

DISCLAIMER Purchase of a ticket constitutes acceptance of this indemnity clause.

I have entered into the above fishing competition. I understand and accept that it involves risks associated with fishing and boating.

1. It shall be the responsibility of the Skipper to advise the correct authority of their intended fishing area and estimated time of return.

2. In the event of an emergency on the water, participants are to notify their nearest Coastguard or radio operator.

3. All participants agree and accept not to hold Tournament organizers, Officials, Sponsors or any other person involved with the Tournament liable for any loss or injury to persons or property incurred during the event. Notwithstanding any representations made, it shall be the responsibility of all participants to ensure that the provisions of all statutes, ordinances, regulations and by-laws related to (but not limited to) boating, fishing reserves, and fishing are complied with;

4. All participants agree to have read and understood the Tournament Rules.

SKIPPER RESPONSIBILITY

- I have the necessary skill, knowledge and qualifications to safeguard all on board.
- My vessel & all equipment are properly maintained.
- My vessel carries all the necessary safety equipment.
- We have a minimum of two means of communication; i.e. VHF marine radio, cellphone, flares.
- Each passenger has a correctly fitting buoyancy aid.
- My passengers are briefed on the location and use of all safety equipment.
- My vessel is loaded and operated within its limit and all equipment is securely stowed.

I have made my crew aware of these conditions and have authority to sign on their behalf.