

Cowboy Currie's

WHANGARURU STAYAWAY

Our fun "icebreaker" to kick off the 2023/2024 Season

6th – 7th January 2024

Prizegiving will be at the WDSAC Clubrooms at 6.00pm on Sunday

ANGLERS	MEMBER		Entry Fee
	Number	Club	\$20 Senior \$10 Junior
1.			
2.			
3.			
4.			
5.			
6.			
Total			

Emergency Contact (not on boat)

Contact Name:.....

Address:.....

Phone:.....

RADIO VHF 07

Skipper's Section

CELLPHONE:

SKIPPER:.....

BOAT NAME:.....

TEAM NO:.....

DECLARATION

I declare that the above information is correct. I agree to carry out the instructions of the Club officials and accept their decisions as final and binding upon me and my crew. I indemnify the WDSAC against any losses, damages or untoward expenses caused or incurred by myself or my crew. I consent to the collection of the details on this entry form by the WDSAC for event registration and promotion purposes and for it to retain, use and disclose these to the New Zealand Sport Fishing Council. (NZSFC) I acknowledge my right to access and correct this information. This consent is given in accordance with the Privacy Act 1993.

Skipper Signed:.....

For all entry enquiries, contact:

Whangarei Deep Sea Anglers' Club - Marina Road, RD 3 Whangarei Phone 09 434 3818

Note: Anglers must be current financial members of the WDSAC or a club affiliated to the NZSFC

WDSAC Club Membership available: Day Membership - \$20.00 per day Seven Day Membership - \$45.00

Senior Membership - \$100.00 p.a. Family Membership - \$200.00 p.a. Junior Membership - \$25.00 p.a.

Senior (intermediate) Membership \$65.00 p.a. (17 to 21 years)

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CONTEST RULES

Statement of Purpose

Our Fishing Rules have evolved internationally so that, in their observance every fish should have a sporting chance. Captures in which the fish has not fought, or in which the fish has not had the chance to fight, on the gaff rope or at the boat, are not caught within the intent of our rules and do not reflect credit on the fish or the angler. Only fish caught within the Whangarei Deep Sea Anglers' Club & NZSFC Angling Rules, incorporating the IGFA Equipment and Angling Regulations, and within the intent of these rules will be recognised. We, as the Committee of the Whangarei Deep Sea Anglers' Club, reserve the right to call a witness boat to verify a catch.

ELIGIBILITY

Anglers must be current financial members of the WDSAC or a club affiliated to the NZSFC. A team may be comprised of any number of anglers. If visiting anglers are not able to produce current membership cards, their membership will be checked through the secretary of their club. Failure to be a financial member of a club will result in disqualification from the contest. Team captains are responsible for this. **All fish are to be credited to WDSAC**

REGISTRATION

Registration for the contest must be done prior to leaving Tutukaka. By prior arrangement any boats wishing to fish into the contest may do so, providing your starting point and team members are advised to the Club, and all contest fees are paid **prior** to start fishing.

CONTEST FEES

The contest fees are \$20-00 per Senior angler, \$10-00 per Junior angler and must be paid prior to the commencement of fishing. Any alteration to teams listed on the entry forms must be notified and paid prior to the start of the days fishing.

FISHING TIMES

Lures and game fishing gear must not be in the water before **7.00am**. All baits, lures and game fishing gear must be out of the water no later than **5.00pm** on Saturday and **4.30pm** on Sunday when stop fishing will be called. In case of hook-ups, the radio operator must be notified as soon as possible and your flag hoisted to half mast. **Hook ups must be called in to Tutukaka Gamebase before stop fishing - any fish called in after stop fishing will be disqualified.** PLEASE NOTE: if you have not caught or tagged a tournament fish, you may continue after stop fishing. Any fish reported after stop fishing will not be counted as a tournament fish, but will still be eligible for the Club.

SCORING

Qualifying fish will be: BILLFISH (Marlin and Broadbill only) – YELLOWFIN TUNA – MAHIMAHI - YELLOWTAIL - SNAPPER and TAG & RELEASE BILLFISH. Points will be awarded on the basis of one point per kilo for fish weighed, regardless of line weight. Snapper and Yellowtail are limited to **two** per person per day.

TAG & RELEASE BILLFISH

Points for Tag & Release Billfish will be 120pts. There is no Tag & Release section for any other species. When a fish is tagged, the tag card must be filled in and handed to the weighmaster with a completed catch sheet and the tag number recorded on the catch sheet. When calling in your tagged fish please give the radio operator the tag number. In the event of a **tie**, the winning angler will be decided by a **draw**.

MINIMUM WEIGHTS

BILLFISH 75kg (if caught on 15kg & over), YELLOWFIN TUNA 15kg, MAHIMAHI 5kg. SNAPPER must be over 30cm long, YELLOWTAIL must equal or exceed line weight. Yellowtail and Snapper are limited to **two** per person per day.

WEIGH IN

On Sunday all fish, including tag cards and accompanying catch sheets, must be at the Bradley Smoker Tutukaka weighstation by **5.30pm on the final day**. All details must be **CLEARLY** entered on your catch sheet and the form passed to the weigh master immediately on arrival at the weighstation. **For all catches, including tagged fish**, the angler must present the Rod, Reel and tackle with which the fish was caught. The Weighmaster may also request to inspect the Gaff and/or Tag Pole. All fish are to be credited to WDSAC.

If the fish and/or tag cards are not at the weigh station by the specified times then the catch will not count for the tournament. Being within the 5 knot zone off Tutukaka Marina entrance constitutes being at the weigh station. However, we will also accept fish that are delivered to the weigh station at the roadside providing the fish is in the boat and the time limits for this tournament are observed. There is NO requirement for a fish to be weighed or tag information to be presented at the weigh station the same day it is caught. All fish and tag information must be at the weigh station by the cut off time stated on the final day

RADIO ROUND-UPS

There will not be any radio round-ups during the contest, however a “Mama” boat will be democratically appointed on Saturday. All boats need to contact the “Mama” boat when they enter the Whangaruru Harbour

TACKLE

All tackle must be in accordance with WDSAC and IGFA Rules but line weight shall not exceed 60kg. In all matters not specifically covered, IGFA Equipment and Angling Regulations shall apply. WDSAC has adopted IGFA Equipment Regulation A 4, which specifies as follows: “The catch shall be classified under the breaking strain of the first five metres of line directly preceding the double line, leader or hook. This section must be comprised of a single, homogenous piece of line.” In other words, the first five metres of main line determines the line class used. Any type of line, including those known collectively as “braids” may be used as backing, whether attached to the main line or simply used as padding under the main line. The minimum amount of line class top-shot is five metres but there is no maximum amount of top-shot that may be used.

BAD WEATHER

In the event of unfavourable weather conditions, the Contest Committee reserves the right to cancel fishing for the day.

PROTESTS

Any protest concerning the validity of any catch shall be filed in writing and signed by the plaintiff no later than **6.00pm** the same day. In the case of a protest the Contest Committee’s decision is final.

PRIZEGIVING

Prizegiving will be held at **6.00pm** on Sunday at the Whangarei Deep Sea Anglers Club Clubrooms.

TROPHIES

All trophies won include miniatures for winning teams. Trophies must be returned to Club officials after prizegiving:-

STEVE CURRIE MEMORIAL TROPHY

Angler most points

SCOTTY DOORS TROPHY

Most tagged Marlin

SANDRA ANNE TROPHY

The full member weighing the heaviest gamefish of the contest.

OFFICE HOURS

The Office will be open from 8.00am to 5.00pm each day of the contest.

GENERAL INFORMATION

BERTHAGE

Contact Tutukaka Marina Office, Telephone 09 4343441 if you require a berth.

BAIT & ICE

Ice is available from the Office and/or Bar. Bait is available at the Ngunguru or Tutukaka Store.

TOILETS

Please **DO NOT** use the boat toilet when in the Marina, **use the onshore facilities** - there are plenty of them.
Thank you!

WATER

Available on all Marinas and floating pontoons.

RUBBISH

Please keep our harbour and oceans clean. Bring all rubbish back to port. Use rubbish receptacles provided by each Marina. **PLEASE: NO CLEANING OR DISPOSING OF FISH WITHIN THE HARBOURS!**

SHOWERS

Showers are situated behind the Clubrooms and in the Marina Office block (keys/swipecard & tokens required).

TUTUKAKA COASTGUARD

The Coastguard channel is **VHF 62** for trip reports