



cavalier homes® Jervis Bay Game Fishing Club Inc

“OLD SCHOOL EVENT”

and One Day Shootout, Bringing People together since 1976

Thursday 14th March Sign on at 5.30pm and 7.30pm Briefing at the Clubhouse and Briefing Raffle, **FREE GIVE AWAYS** Food Van and Bar Drinks available , Advise all day One Day Shootout will be run

Friday 15th March 1st Fishing day 7am 4pm , Free Night Huskisson Hotel Meat raffle and Joker Poker run by JBGFC

Saturday Night 16th March 2nd fishing day 7-4pm Food Truck and Bar Drinks at the clubhouse from 6.30pm **MASSIVE FREE GIVE AWAYS** to entrants present , raffle at 8.30pm

Sunday 17th March Last Fishing day 7-4pm Presentation at the JBGFC clubhouse TBA , Unlucky Angler \$500 Must be present

Rafting for overnight stays at The Huskisson Wharf Friday Night and Saturday night with limits in place including moving off the wharf each morning to allow charter vessels access , there are also several Public Moorings throughout the Bay, noise has to be kept to a minimum and respect given to other users of the wharf .

1.VENUE: The Committee and Members of the Jervis Bay Game fishing Club invite anglers who are financial members of a Member Club affiliated with a State Association and that state association is affiliated with the Game Fishing Association of Australia (GFAA) or the Australian National Sport Fishing Association (ANSA) (However ANSA members wishing to fish in NSWGFA sanctioned Tournament , must fish on a NSWGFA registered boat) to compete in The 2024 Jervis Bay GFC White Sands Tournament and Cash Shootout on Friday 15th March to Sunday 17th March 2024 , Jervis Bay Game Fishing Club membership and temporary membership is available to those anglers who wish to participate but are not current members of a Club affiliated with a State Association as indicated above.

2. TOURNAMENT COMMITTEE: The committee of Jervis Bay Game Fishing Club are the sole adjudicators of all aspects of the Tournament and Rules; their decision shall be final. You may however seek clarification from NSWGFA if required.

3. PROTESTS: Protests are to be made in writing, signed by the Team Captain and submitted to the Tournament committee no later than 7.00pm on the day of capture or Tag and release. On Sunday all protests must be submitted by 6.00pm. Protests of any substance after this time may be considered by the tournament committee if lodged within 24 hours to the Tournament Director in writing. The Committee's decision is final.

4. ENTRIES: Entries for the Billfish Tournament are made by submitting a completed entry form with the associated fees together with details of insurance as stated in Rule 5 to the Tournament Director, Jervis Bay Game fishing Club, PO Box 56, HUSKISSON NSW 2540. Or by Email offtap1@msn.com but if entry emailed payment must be made via direct deposit and remittance also required to be emailed, or entry will not count

Entries will also be accepted at 5.30pm on Thursday 16th March prior to the Tournament briefing . Jervis bay Game Fishing Club reserves the right to refuse entry to the Tournament. Refunds will only be considered after the reason for refund requested by the Skipper of a team is deliberated by the JBGFC Committee , however absolutely no refunds after 7.30pm Thursday 14th March for The White Sands and Shootout Tournament

4.1 ENTRIES – ANSA Members wishing to fish a NSWGFA sanctioned tournament must fish on a NSWGFA registered boat.

5. INSURANCE: Each vessel entered in the Tournament is to provide details and proof of insurance covering third party property damage and third party personal injury cover.

No Teams will be accepted without the insurance details provided on the entry forms and signed by the Owner /skipper

6. TOURNAMENT BRIEFING: The Tournament briefing will be conducted at the JBGFC clubhouse Frank Lewis Way Woollamia at 7.30pm. At least one registered Tournament angler from each boat must be in attendance



unless prior consent is obtained from the committee in writing. Competing boats traveling long distances to the Tournament by sea and are unable to be represented are to notify the Tournament Director in advance. If a Team cannot attend the briefing and permission given by the committee the skipper and team must download a copy of the Jervis Bay GFC Fishing sched map from the www.jervisbaygfc.com website. The Briefing will detail critical information in relation to the White Sands Tournament.

7. BOAT TEAMS: All Teams must consist of a minimum of 2 registered Anglers with at least 1 being a Senior Angler, All persons on board a boat competing within the Billfish Tournament must be a financial member of the club they are representing and must be a registered angler in the Tournament. No observers or by-standers will be permitted on board without expressed written consent by the Committee prior to start fishing. With exception given to those vessels traveling by sea from their home port on Saturday, all vessels must depart and return through Jervis Bay Heads Saturday and Sunday unless prior permission is obtained from the Tournament committee. However Vessels not departing from Jervis Bay Heads Sunday will forfeit the previous days points, Teams can fish home Sunday, however evidence of all Tags cards completed fully, and Captures weighed and signed off by their local weighmaster and sent to Tournament Director prior to end of fishing to count, by email or Photo Message and also confirmed received by phoning the Director also.

8. TRANSFER OF ANGLERS OR CREW: The transfer AT SEA of any person or persons from one vessel to another for the purpose of assisting with the capture or tag and release is not permitted at any time during the conduct of this tournament and the Shoot Out. The transfer AT SEA East of the entrance to Jervis Bay as indicated on the Radio Schedule Map, of any person or persons, fish, and tackle from one vessel to another for the purpose of returning to the weigh station for any reason during the conduct of this tournament is not permitted. Team captains may submit written application for approval by the Tournament committee to transfer the whole crew or part crew to another vessel which is already registered in the tournament in the event of their vessel being forced to withdraw for the entire Tournament due to mechanical, electrical defects or any other reason preventing that vessel from completing the Tournament. However, this will forfeit all accumulated Boat points for that vessel. Angler points only will remain. Vessels unable to enter Currumbene Creek to moor with safety due to tide or current at the skipper's discretion are permitted to transfer crew, gear and fish to another vessel, but the tournament Committee must be notified of the teams intentions, Vessel points are not Transferable.

9. FISHING RULES: Fish are to be captured in accordance with GFAA Rules and regulations, additionally, those rules laid down by the NSWGFA for capture and tag and release shall apply as are in effect at the time of the Tournament. Skippers are to utilize the Marine Parks App FISH SMART and ensure they comply with all rules regarding marine parks.

NSW Maritime Rules need to be adhered too and all anglers need to ensure they comply with the fishing licensing rules and have a current NSW Fishing License if required.

10. LINE CLASSES Eligible line class that may be fished are 4kg, 6kg, 8kg, 10kg, 15kg, 24kg, 37kg and 60kg.

1. The use of backing is permissible. (Note: there is no restriction on the type or size of backing used as long as it is Monofilament, multifilament, lead core multifilament but not wire.

2. The catch shall be classified under the breaking strength of the first five metres of the line preceding the double, leader and hook. This section must be comprised of a single homogenous piece of line (for record claims, 16m of the single line must be supplied).

11. MINIMUM WEIGHTS Yellowfin Tuna & Southern Bluefin Tuna: 15kg on line class up to and including 15kg, equal to line class for over 15kg line and for Junior/Small Fry anglers equal to Line class in all cases.

Other Game Fish and Broadbill: Equal to line class used.

Marlin minimum 180kg on any line class

Sharks are not included in this Tournament for capture and will not be weighed at the Public Gantry

12. CAPTURE POINT SCORE: Capture Points shall be awarded using the current NSWGFA FACTOR SYSTEM:

Points = weight of fish in kg² x factor

Line class in kg

Factor 29.5 19.5 14.8 11.5



7.5 4.6 3.0 1.7

Line Class 4kg 6kg 8kg 10kg

15kg 24kg 37kg 60kg

Marlin, captures shall score DOUBLE POINTS as calculated from the above.

OTHER BILLFISH, Sailfish and Shortbill Spearfish, shall score TRIPLE POINTS as calculated from the above.

OTHER GAME FISH, shall score TRIPLE POINTS as calculated from the above.

Captures on line classes up to and including 10kg shall score a maximum of 15000 points plus 1 point per kilo of the weight of the fish. Captures on line classes 15kg and over shall score a maximum of 20000 points plus one point per kilo of the weight of the fish.

13. TAG & RELEASE POINT SCORE:

2. Tag and release as per current Point score for line class tag and release and as per copy provided in tournament bags

3. **White Sharks**, This species cannot be targeted and POINTS FOR THIS SPECIES ARE NOT AWARDED IN THIS TOURNAMENT

HOWEVER the incidental hooking, fighting and Tagging and releasing of a White shark is allowed if this takes place in Commonwealth waters (over 3nm outside Headland) but will not count to points in the Top 10 Marlin Tournament

4. All Billfish must be tagged with Billfish Tags. These Tags are for Billfish ONLY, no other species.

5. **CIRCLE HOOKS ONLY** are permitted to be used for live baiting and trolling natural baits (whether live, dead, mutilated or dissected). NB: no points to be scored for any species caught while using live baits and/or trolling natural baits with "J" hooks except narrow barred mackerel. Circle Hooks must be used for all Billfish Species

CIRCLE HOOK

DEFINITION

A hook with it's point turned 90 degrees or less back towards the shank of the hook.



6. Clubs to supply their own members with all necessary Tag Cards.

7. THE METHOD OF RELEASING TAGGED FISH: The hook is to be removed or the leader cut as close as possible to the fish

14. **FISHING BOUNDARIES** The Tournament fishing boundaries are as follows:

Black Point, 34'47 northern boundary, as indicated on the Radio Schedule Map.

East of a Line taken from Long Nose Point to North East corner of Bowen Island. With the exception of taking fish for use as bait, fishing within Jervis Bay west of this boundary is not permitted during this tournament.

Brush Island 35'32, southern boundary, as indicated on the Radio Schedule Map.

It is the Skippers responsibility of each vessel to ensure they only fish inside the above areas and must be aware of the requirements relating to all Marine parks and Sanctuary Zones as per Jervis Bay Marine Park brochure provided in the tournament bags. Heavy penalty's apply for fishing with in sanctuary zones.

15. **FISHING TIMES** Fishing times each Day

Friday 15th March 7.00am – 4.30pm

Saturday 16th March 7.00am – 4.30pm

Sunday 17th March from 7.00am to 3.00pm.

Fish that are being fought and notice given to the Tournament Base prior to the cessation of fishing may be continued to be fought. However Sunday 19th March the tag and capture certificates and all associated tackle/gear must be within the confines of the gantry prior to 4.00pm, unless Teams fish home Sunday where, evidence of all Tags cards completed fully, and Captures weighed and signed off by their local weighmaster and sent to Tournament Director prior to end of fishing at 4pm to count, by email or Photo Message and also confirmed received by phoning the Director also

16. **WEIGH STATION TIMES**

Friday 15th March Opens 3.30pm

Saturday 16th March opens 3.30pm

Sunday 17th March opens 2.00pm and closes 4.00pm



To be eligible for any tournament capture or tag submissions, a member of the crew who fished aboard the claimant vessel that day, must be present and signed off at the weigh station by the tournament director only. It is the sole responsibility of that crewman to ensure that he/she locates the tournament director within the confines of the weigh station and is signed off as present before approaching the weigh master. On Sunday NO FURTHER SUBMISSIONS will be allowed after the tournament director declares Time at 4pm over the radio.

17. WEIGH STATION PROCEDURES Captured fish or tag and release cards may be brought to the Weigh Station by sea or land provided the vessel returned via Jervis Bay Heads..

To be eligible for tournament points captured fish or tags must be presented at the weigh station on the day of capture or tagging with all tackle and equipment used for inspection and measurement, excluding fish that are continued to be fought after cessation of fishing subject to Tournament Committee Prior approval.

In regard to any protest, the Tournament Committee shall retain all tackle and equipment that fails any equipment regulation when presented for inspection and measurement at the weight station for further clarification. Such tackle or equipment shall be returned to the angler on completion of the protest procedure.

Captured fish that have been weighed are to be removed from the weigh station and away from the public view . Fish not removed from the gantry and out of public view after weighing, or the mutilation or cutting up of fish within sight of the gantry, will have that fish disqualified from the tournament.

It is the responsibility of the whole team to ensure that any fish captured during the tournament, weighed in or not, is disposed of appropriately. In the event of any shark or marlin given away for eating, only the fillets may be given and the remaining carcass is the responsibility of the skipper and crew . any Shark or marlin carcass or part thereof unwanted by the team are to be taken a minimum of 2 NM east of Jervis bay heads and disposed of appropriately. Failure to comply with this will result in the whole team being disqualified from the tournament .

18. CAPTURE/TAG AND RELEASE RETURNS: Capture or Tag and release returns must be completed and correct with all details prior to arriving at the Weigh Station. This includes the time of capture or tag and release as provided by tournament base. Trophies will be awarded on the basis of the information given. Failure to record the time of capture or Tag and Release on the return will result in the time being set after the last recorded tag time/capture time. Incomplete or incorrect returns may result in disqualification of the fish listed on that particular return unless an acceptable reason can be provided. Line class unless filled out will be judged to be 60kg. This applies to both the White Sands Tournament and Shootout .

19. RADIO COMMUNICATIONS: All Vessels must have and maintain a working VHF Marine Radio to enter this tournament All competing vessels are to log on daily with the "TOURNAMENT BASE" on VHF 81 prior to their commencement of fishing and log off when entering Jervis Bay at the end of each days fishing. Failure to comply may result in part or total disqualification from the tournament. Additionally, we recommend all competing vessels log on daily with MARINE RESCUE JERVIS BAY on VHF 71, or direct with Marine Rescue Staff at the Woollamia Boat Ramp, However each vessel fishing The Tournament must also log on with JBGFC Tournament base, no exceptions Tournament base shall operate in accordance with the NSWGFA 'Guide Lines for Radio Skeds for Tournaments. As are in effect at that time. Each team will be given a number which is used for radio schedules. Radio schedules will be conducted by Tournament Base at 2 hourly intervals commencing at **9.10am on VHF 81**. Tournament Base shall continue to operate until all vessels are accounted for each day.

When responding to schedule calls from Tournament Base, teams are to give their team number followed by the vessel name and position from the schedule map provided and status. The Sked Master will advise all vessels which boats are competing within the Shoot Out on the Saturday at each sked. Accurate reporting is to be done using the zero, zero, zero system, (strikes, hook ups, and captures or tag and releases) species, line class and angler number. Tournament Base shall request the statutory authorities to activate a search for any vessel failing to contact Tournament Base for two consecutive radio Schedules.

Any boat unable to make contact to tournament base by any means necessary must return immediately to port for repairs.

20 Reporting Tag and Release / Capture at time of T&R / Capture

Reporting of the Tag or Capture including short Lengths for capture are to be advised to Tournament base at the following Sched.



21. BAD WEATHER AND SAFETY: To avoid taking unnecessary risks in the event of bad weather the Tournament Committee will decide whether the day will be competition day or not. In the event of bad weather developing after the start of fishing the Tournament Committee will confer and decide whether or not the tournament will be called off for the remainder of the day. All fish caught prior to this time are eligible for the tournament. The declaration of a Gale Warning by the appropriate government weather authority, will automatically require the cancellation of the tournament. In the event of a declaration whilst vessels are at sea, such vessels are required to cease fishing and return to port. Cancellation will only apply until the Gale warning is lifted. The seaworthiness of vessels is the responsibility of the Captains and their crews. Vessels putting to sea do so at their own risk. Safety Equipment as laid down by the NSW Waterways Authority Regulations, must be carried. Jervis Bay Game Fishing Club will not be responsible or liable for any loss of damage to any person, property, personal injury or death howsoever occasioned at any time during the conduct of The White Sands Tournament and Shootout .

22. TOURNAMENT TROPHIES In the case of a tied result the trophy shall be awarded to “FIRST PAST THE POST”. Count backs will be based on the time of capture or tag and release. If for some reason there is no time entered on the return, the time will be set after the last recorded tag time/capture time. Listed within are The White Sands Tournament and Shootout 2024 categories.

23. SHOOT OUT CONDITIONS and 3 CASH PRIZES for vessels who have entered the White Sands Tournament and also paid in full to enter the Shootout, The day the Shootout will be run will be advised at the briefing

1. Champion Boat tag and release will be awarded to the boat who accumulates the most tag points on the day of the Shootout only

2. 2nd Highest Point Score Boat Tag and Release will be awarded to the boat who accumulates the 2nd highest points on the day of the Shootout only

3. Unlucky Shootout Entrant , not winning prizes 1 or 2 above , will be drawn out of a hat

A Minimum of 20 Boats entered are required for the Shoot Out to Proceed. If 20 is not reached, all team representatives at the briefing will be notified and asked if they prefer refunds or a lower cash amount as prize's , **Should a shootout category not be won**, (Excludes Cancellation of Shootout where all monies refunded as above rules) 5 x 20% of cash taken for Category will be drawn out of a hat and awarded to the lucky entrants

Weighing of SHARKS ARE NOT INCLUDED IN THE TOURNAMENT DUE TO OUR SENSITIVE LOCATION , Other Arrangements must be made by the team which does not include any JBGFC Committee being involved at another location away from Jervis bay Marine Park, and must comply with all EPA and DPI and NSWGFA rules however points will not be included in this tournament. Also rules regarding the disposal of fish as per Rule no 17 must be followed , or the disqualification of the Team from the tournament will apply with no refunds available