

Plimmerton Boating Club Fish and Dive Competition



12th & 13th March 2016

REMEMBER TO DISPLAY YOUR ENTRY TAG AND SHOW IT TO SUBMIT IN YOUR FISH AND COLLECT ANY PRIZE OR LUCKY DRAWS ETC.

NO EXCEPTIONS

Fees must be paid up and cleared prior to competition – no refunds will be given.

1. All crew members must be paid up competitors (no passengers). No fishing substitution will be allowed.
2. Rods and handlines ONLY must be used. No set lines, longlines, droppers, nets or any other method is allowed. **Divers** must only use MPI (Ministry of Primary Industries) approved methods. (Any rig with more than 3 hooks is ruled as a long line/set line and therefore banned.)
3. Competition fishing grounds: The southern boundary is a straight line from Cape Terawhiti to the entrance to Tory Channel. The northern boundary is the Latitude line from Te Horo beach. A Cook Strait grid map will be provided for each boat.
4. Launching and retrieving from the Plimmerton Boating Club must be done by PBC Competition officials **NB:** The crew must be responsible for hitching or unhitching the trailer. At the end of each fishing day use CH17 for trailer retrieval within sight of the PBC.

Kayaks must start each day at Plimmerton Boating Club for scrutineering, they can then launch and fish anywhere within the grid mapped area.

5. All Boats must MUST :-
 - a) Approach Plimmerton Boating Club's starter box and report in with their VHF radio, Channel 17 prior to starting the days fishing
 - b) In the same manner report their return at the day's conclusion to CH17, for retrieval of your trailer use CH17 and if needed land a crew-member at the end of the PBC's jetty with any catch to be weighed – the vessel at these occasions may be scrutinized at the On-water Scrutineers discretion. (You may not launch from any area that prevents your boat from being scrutinized at the Plimmerton Boat Club e.g. no launching from Kapiti Coast).
6. Competition starts 7.00 am and finishes 4.30 pm on the Saturday and starts 7.00am on the Sunday, finishing at 3.00pm. You MUST be in the weigh in queue by 4.45pm on the Saturday and 3.15pm on the Sunday. Closing time is FINAL. Starting and finishing times can be changed at the Organisers discretion for whatever reason.
7. All fish submitted for weighing must be entire – no gutting, All tags to be worn/carried by each individual angler and displayed at fish weigh-in. Weighed fish must be signed for by tag owner.
8. Any competitor wishing to submit a **SNAPPER** and release it can by taking a photograph on an approved measure and emailing it to **PBC2016@plimmertonboatingclub.org.nz**. before weigh in closes on each day of the competition. The photograph **MUST** include the competitors tag number which must be clearly legible.
9. Prizes will be awarded for the following species:- Snapper, Kingfish, Crayfish, Groper/Bass, Terakihi, Tuna, Bluecod and Kahawai (Juniors only).
10. Overall weight prize to be awarded to the fisherman with the heaviest weight of fish caught and weighed in.
11. In the event of a tie the first fish weighed will be the winner. All fish submitted for weighing will become the property of the Plimmerton Boating Club and will be auctioned on both days soon after the final weighing.
12. Any boat that has fish taken by MPI OR NOT COMPLYING WITH MFish regulations or daily bag limits will result in automatic disqualification from the Competition and all prizes.
13. **Cancellations** will be Textd OUT and will be broadcast on Newstalk ZB and will also be posted on the Club's website *plimmertonboatingclub.org.nz*. If fishing is cancelled on any day the competition will be determined over the one day. Should BOTH days be cancelled, **Saturday 19th March 2016** will be the blow off date. If the blow off date is cancelled then the prizes will be determined by draw of all registered competitors on all prizes EXCLUDING the first prize

for the heaviest snapper which will revert back to the Sponsor. In that event, prize giving will be at 5PM Saturday 19th March and will be restricted to ONE prize per Competitor.

14. Prize giving will be on the final day at 5.30 pm after the conclusion of the Fish Auction. There will be one prize per category per competitor.

15. Prizes cannot be redeemed for cash under any circumstances. All prizes must be claimed within ONE month of prize giving or on terms set out by the Sponsors.

16. SAFETY:

- All vessels must carry an operational VHF radio (hand held VHF is okay), one approved Life Jacket per person and one current hand held flare, and or 406mhz EPIRB – **this is a Competition requirement.**
- The official VHF radio channel for this competition is CH 84 repeater, (owned by the Kapiti Coastguard).
- Ship to shore CH 17- in sight of the PBC
- 04 233 1592- can be used at last resort if radio contact fails
- **ALL VESSELS MUST COMMUNICATE DEPARTURE AND ARRIVAL (CH17). For retrieval of your trailer use CH17**
- Distress safety calling channel as usual is CH 16
In addition to a VHF radio (hand held is okay). Flare / EPIRB and life jackets, IT IS STRONGLY RECOMMENDED that the following equipment be carried on each vessel: Mobile phone, Navigation lights, First Aid Kit, Anchor and Warp, Bilge pump, Bucket, Paddle(s), Compass, Knife, Fire Extinguisher, Spare fuel, Torch, Emergency tool kit.
- Launching: All winch ropes must be disconnected at the waters edge by crew
- All boats must have a bow and stern rope attached for launching and retrieval
- Retrieval: Crew members must operate the winch

17. Boats will be scrutinized at the Club's discretion

18. ANY ABUSE OF OFFICIALS OR HELPERS WILL RESULT IN DISQUALIFICATION FROM THE COMPETITION.

19. Boating and other water sports can be dangerous and life threatening activities. Skippers are responsible for ensuring the safety of their own boats, crew and boating equipment. All entrants, boat owners and spectators participate at their own risk. The Plimmerton Boating Club, its employees, officers, sponsors and volunteers (together “the organisers”) accept no responsibility in any respect for personal injury, loss or damage to property arising out of or in connection with the Competition, regardless of cause. Each entrant releases the organisers to the fullest extent permitted by law from all claims or demands of any kind and from all liability which may arise in respect of any incident associated with the Competition. Each entrant also agrees not to bring any action, claim or demand against the organisers in respect of the Competition and agrees to indemnify the organisers for the all costs, claims, demands, expenses (including full legal expenses) arising in respect of their participation in the Competition. Scrutineering of boats by the organisers is not to be taken as an endorsement as to the safety of a boat, its equipment or the experience of its crew. The holding of the Competition does not constitute an endorsement by the organisers that the weather or sea conditions are suitable for the boats and/or entrants. The Competition is held in the spirit of amateur fishing and fair competition. If, in the opinion of the Fishing Competition Committee, competitors have breached the spirit of the Competition then the Committee reserves the right to exclude competitor(s). The Fishing Competition Committee's decision is final.

BRIEFING: Competitors will be expected to attend the briefing at the Plimmerton Boating Club on Friday 11th March at 7pm. For those not yet registered, registrations will be accepted between 6pm and 7pm – cash or EFTPOS – no Credit Cards and no cheques.

Registrations will stop while Briefing is on.

Briefing commences 7pm SHARP – Spot prizes before and after briefing commences.

Saturday Spot prizes will be held in the club rooms after the auction

Sunday Prize Giving – at 5.30 pm

All prize giving and Spot prizes on Saturday and Sunday will be in the Club's upstairs lounge.

A Competitor MUST be present in person to win spot prize.

Many thanks to the Kapiti Coastguard for the use of their repeater, Please remember Coastguard has priority over this channel

Jon Mayne - Competition Organizer/ Vice Commodore Power

Matt Hipperson - Club Commodore