



PLIMMERTON BOATING CLUB FISHING & DIVING COMPETITION 2019



COMPETITION RULES

2ND AND 3RD MARCH 2019

Remember to display your entry tag. It must be on your photo entry with your fish to collect any prize or lucky draws etc. No exceptions.

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

Important note

1. Launching can be done from anywhere within the competition boundaries.
2. Competition fishing grounds: The southern boundary is a straight line from Cape Palliser to the entrance to Tory Channel. The northern boundary is the Latitude line from Te Horo beach.
3. Fish submitted for prizes must be photographed on specified measure with tag and submitted as per instructions in 'Fishing' section below.

General information

4. Entries will be accepted online, at the club, or on Friday 1st March from 4pm.
5. All crew members must be paid up competitors (no passengers). No fishing substitution will be allowed.
6. Only random boat scrutineering will take place as all competitors will sign a waiver.
7. **Cancellations** will be broadcast on Newstalk ZB and will also be posted on the Club's website plimmertonboatingclub.org.nz and the clubs FaceBook Page. If fishing is cancelled on any day the competition will be determined over the one day. Should BOTH days be cancelled, then the prizes will be determined by draw of all registered competitors on all prizes and will be restricted to ONE prize per Competitor.
8. **Friday March 1st from 4pm** registration starts. **Compulsory** safety briefing will be held at 7pm. Dinner will be available from 5.30pm and the bar open from 4pm.

9. **Saturday March 2nd.** Dinner will be available from 5.30pm and the bar will open at 4pm. Spot prizes will be drawn
10. **Sunday March 3rd.** Dinner will be available from 5.30pm and the bar will open at 4pm. Prize giving at 6pm. Spot prizes will be awarded after prize giving.

Launching and retrieval

11. Launching and retrieving of boats and kayaks from the Plimmerton Boating Club or any other location can be done by yourselves **from 5am Saturday and Sunday.**
12. All boats will be allowed to be launched at Plimmerton Boating Club and retrieved by your own personal vehicles from 5am each day. This will be co-ordinated by a club marshal.
13. Retrieval. All boats must drop off their designated driver to the wharf and **retreat 50 - 70 metres from the wharf** until their retrieval vehicle is in place in the water. Retrieval will be assisted by the club marshals and radio operator
14. TYING UP OR WAITING INSIDE THE WHARF AREA FOR VEHICLE IS NOT PERMITTED
15. Launching: All winch ropes must be disconnected at the waters edge by crew
16. All boats must have a bow and stern rope attached for launching and retrieval
17. Retrieval: Crew members must operate the winch. If self launching this is not required. Please use common sense and have consideration of other competitors

Fishing

18. Rods and handlines ONLY must be used. No set lines, longlines, droppers, nets or any other method is allowed. (Any rig with more than 3 hooks is ruled as a long line/set line and therefore banned.) Divers must only use MPI (Ministry of Primary Industries) approved methods.
19. NZ standard measuring mats are available for purchase at Plimmerton Boating Club. These are \$20 each. These can also be used for our all year round fishing competition and other fishing competitions.
20. **Please send photos as soon as possible** - do not send all photos at one time at the end of the day. Photos to be emailed to bigfishcomp@plimmertonboatingclub.org.nz.
21. All fish submitted for measure must show tag with fish in photo. If your tag is not showing you will not be eligible for a prize.
22. All tags to be worn/carried by each individual. All photos to be in by email by 4pm on Saturday and Sunday.
23. Please put the species of fish and what you believe to be the length of the fish in the subject line with the photo as an attachment.
24. Please ensure you have phone coverage in the area when you send your photos.

Prizes

25. Prizes will be awarded for the following:-

Seniors:-

Snapper - First (longest), Average Length, Ladies Average Snapper
Kingfish - First (longest), Average Length
Terakihi - First (longest), Average Length, Ladies average Terakihi
Trevally - First (longest), Average Length
Gurnard - First (longest), Average Length
Tuna - First (Longest), Average Length
John Dory - First (longest), Average Length

Juniors:-

Prizes will be awarded for the most species photographed from the list above, there will be:-
1st Longest Kahawai up to and including 12 years old
1st Longest Tarakihi up to and including 12 years old
1st Longest Snapper up to and including 12 years old
1st Longest Snapper 13 up to and including 15 years old
1st Longest Tarakihi 13 up to and including 15 years old
1st Girls average snapper

Divers (Tank and Free divers):-

Crayfish - Largest
Butterfish - Longest

26. One caught prize per angler/diver per category (Spot draws are not classed as a caught prize)
27. Fished for prizes not won may be drawn as spot draw angler prizes. The angler must be present to claim the prize.
28. In the event of a tie the first fish entered will be the winner.
29. In the event of a tie in the junior section the prize will be awarded to longest overall fish.
30. 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.
31. **Prize giving will be on the final day (Sunday 3rd) at 6.00 pm during dinner.**
32. 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.
33. Spot prizes will be awarded throughout the weekend. A Competitor MUST be present in person to win a spot prize.
34. Major spot prize on Saturday night includea:
- Full ensuite bathroom fixtures and tap ware and heated towel rail.
35. We will keep drawing numbers until the major spot prizes are won on Saturday night. You must be present to receive these spot prizes.

Safety

36. 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 mandatory competition requirement.**
37. Phone can be used as a last resort if radio contact fails. Phone: 04 233 1592
38. Distress safety calling channel as usual is CH 16
39. 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, Alternative propulsion.
40. ANY ABUSE OF OFFICIALS OR HELPERS WILL RESULT IN DISQUALIFICATION FROM THE COMPETITION.
41. 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
42. The Competition is held in the spirit of amateur fishing and fair competition. The Committee reserves the right to exclude competitor(s) who do not meet the spirit of the competition. The Fishing Competition Committee's decision is final.

Registration and Briefing

- Last minute registrations accepted at the Plimmerton Boating club from 4pm on 1st of March - cash or EFTPOS - no cheques.
- Dinner will be available from 5.30pm.
- Competitors have to attend the briefing at the Plimmerton Boating Club on Friday 1st March at 7pm. **Briefing commences 7pm SHARP**
- Registrations will stop while the briefing is on.

- Spot prizes will be drawn after the briefing has finished. A Competitor MUST be present in person to win a spot prize.

Club organisers

John Bullyment - Competition Organizer/ Vice Commodore Power

Matt Hipperson - Club Commodore

This should be a great weekend of fishing. Please support this competition as the event helps keep our ramps, jetties, gates, lighting, fish tables and bins in great condition for all of us to enjoy.

More information will be advised as it comes to hand.