



WOSC NEW YEARS FISHING TOURNAMENT AND FISH AUCTION

2nd January 2020

Lay day 3rd January 2020

Venue – Whangamata Ocean Sports Club, Club Rooms

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Clubrooms

Safety

Skippers are responsible for boat and crew.
One lifejacket per person on each craft.

Entry

\$40 Senior / \$20 Junior (under 18 yrs. on day of tournament)
Entries taken at WOSC pre-briefing.

Briefing Night

Briefing will be held at **Whangamata Ocean Sports Club on Monday 1st January 2020 at 6pm**

Anglers

All senior anglers eligible for the Senior section.
Junior anglers must be under 18 yrs. on day of tournament.
One fish one prize with a maximum of 3 fish per category per angler.
OPEN to Club members and Non-members.

Recognised Craft

Boats (launch or trailer), jet skis & kayaks

Fishing Fishing Areas

- The dates of the tournament will be 2nd January 2020. Lay day 3rd January 2020 in the case of bad weather.
- Boats must not leave the harbour before 6:30 am and a flag will be raised on the club flagpole to signal this. No Fishing In.
- The WOSC fishing area includes the whole of the Bay of Plenty. As far North as the northern tip of Great Barrier (The Needles) and as far east as East Cape. The western limit is the line drawn from Cape Barrier to Port Charles. No fishing is permitted within marine reserves at Mayor.
- Fishing time shall be from 6:30am to 5.30pm and all fish to be weighed in must be within the designated weigh area at below designated times.

Fish Species

Kingfish - (minimum length 1 meter)
Snapper - (minimum length 300 mm)
Gurnard - (minimum length 250 mm)
Trevally - (minimum length 250 mm)
Kahawai - **must be bled to be eligible to weigh**
John Dory

Line and fishing restrictions

- Line weights up to 60kg
- All fish must be caught on a rod and reel or a hand line provided it is held at all times.
- No long lines, nets (except landing nets), hand grenades or tuna bombs.
- All fish weighed in must be freshly caught and undamaged.

Weigh In

- The weigh station will be located at the **Whangamata Ocean Sports Club adjacent to the Wharf.**
- Weigh in times: 4.30pm – 5.30pm NO EXCEPTIONS.

Prizes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prize-giving will be held at Whangamata Ocean Sports Club Clubrooms on the evening of 2nd January 2020 at 6:00pm OR 3rd January 2020 in the case of the lay day being used. The Committee reserve the right to change this if necessary.
<i>Prize Pool Value</i> \$15,600.00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prizes will be awarded for 1st to 3rd placing in each species.
<i>PLUS</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> One fish one prize. Any prizes not won will be drawn.
<i>Spot Prizes</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To claim a drawn prize the angler <u>must be present and produce your entry ticket</u> otherwise the prize will be re-drawn. To claim a major prize the angler <u>must be present, produce your entry ticket and some form of identification acceptable to the Tournament Organiser.</u> <u>Target weight prize sponsored by Quay West Panel & Paint, will be announced at briefing.</u>
Disputes	<p>Any disputes will be handled by a committee consisting of the Tournament Organiser and four Tournament Committee Members from the Whangamata Ocean Sports Club. Their decision will be final and binding and no further discussion will be entered into.</p> <p>IMPORTANT: The distribution of prizes within your team is the team responsibility. Set your ground rules now as the Club WILL NOT get involved with YOUR domestic differences.</p>
Cancellation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> In the event, it is necessary to cancel the tournament there will be no flag flying on the Ocean Sports Club flagpole at start time (06.30am) on any given morning of the tournament (2nd January OR 3rd January 2020) and anglers will be advised via Facebook, Website and VHF CH03 At 08.00am on any given day of the tournament the weather will be looked at again and an announcement will then be made on the Clubs Facebook page, website & VHF Channel 03 Should the tournament be cancelled all major prizes will be drawn with a lucky draw starting at 6pm on either 2nd OR 3rd January 2020.
Alcohol	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No ALCOHOL soft drinks or food is to be brought into the CLUBROOMS No ALCOHOL to be consumed outside clubrooms. All ALCOHOL purchased in WOSC Clubrooms must be consumed on the premise.
Fish Auction	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All fish caught and weighed are expected to be donated to the Whangamata Ocean Sports Club to auction for a selected charity under license from MPI Fish auction to take place immediately after weigh in at approx. 5.30pm All proceeds from the fish auction will be donated to the Police Blue Light Appeal Whangamata
Miscellaneous Information	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tournament Chat Channel 03 Coastguard Radio Channel 04 (Trip Report) Please be aware that all trailers parked in the vicinity of the boat ramp are required to display launching fee permits. Permits are available from Whangamata Marine, Z Station, Bubbas