



New Plymouth Sportfishing & Underwater Club

General Rules for the 2018/19

Memorial, Tasman Marine, Kilwell Classic, and Brass Monkey Competitions.

BRIEFING

- Briefing will take place at 7.30pm on the Friday night prior to the first day of the Competition at the New Plymouth Sportfishing & Underwater Clubrooms, Ocean View Parade.
- Attendance by skippers is compulsory, unless by prior arrangement with the Club Captain.

ENTRY FEES

- Entry fees must be paid in full as detailed on the entry form prior to departure from the jetty.
- Senior Fishing and Dive Section. Junior Section
- Juniors may fish in the Senior section but will not be eligible for junior prizes if a senior prize is claimed.
- There are 3 entry categories, they are, Member, Associates (NPSUC Members), and Non Members. Unless an angler holds membership with NPSUC, they are a Non Member.

THE BOAT

- Must consist of not less than two registered anglers. All people on the boat over the age of 10 must be entered in the competition.
- A Disclaimer Form must be completed and signed as part of the registration.
- Boats may be spot checked by any NPSUC Committee Member at any time.
- Top Boat competition, the boat first registered prior to the Memorial must be fished on for ALL 4 bottom comps, with the exception if the skipper purchases a new boat and replaces previously entered boat.

COMMUNICATION AND VHF

- VHF Channel 03 call sign 'Club Base' – club radio operator on this channel
- VHF Channel 20 weather report
- Club Phone number 06 7583901 - Club Cell Phone 027 245 1188
- The station will be manned as per the hours of the supplementary rules.
- All boats must log in with the Radio operator on leaving the harbour stating 'Boat name, VHF Call Sign and Number of persons on board'. Wait for acknowledgement from 'Club Base'.
- All boats must log out with the radio operator on returning to port stating 'Boat name, VHF Call Sign'. Wait for acknowledgement from 'Club Base'.
- Report all incidents/breakdowns to the radio operator giving position, nature of problem, situation etc.
- Polite radio etiquette is required at all times – polite language only, and long conversations should be transferred to a working channel (Channel 6 or similar)

VHF SCHEDULES

- Radio call at 1130 hrs by 'club base' - give your sponsors grid position and ETA
- Divers must ensure that boatmen can use the radio.
- Missing the radio schedule or not complying with the above radio rules may result in dis-qualification. If outside VHF coverage please contact the club directly by phone.

FISHING SECTION

- All boats must depart from and return to Port Taranaki each day.
- All fish must meet NPSUC (supplementary rules) and amateur fishing regulations pertaining to size and allowable numbers of each species.
- All fish must be caught on rod and reel or hand line (no longlines, electric reels or set nets to be carried).
- Fish are to be weighed in green (do not gut or gill).
- Fishing times and other information as per Supplementary Rules
- The Fishing committee has the right to cancel or postpone a competition if after the competition has been called on, in the event of weather deterioration. Any fish caught until this time will still count.
- Should this competition be "called off", due to weather, after fishing has commenced, all boats will have 2 hours to get any fish to the Weigh Station. Once "called off", lines must be out of the water and NO fishing to be conducted by any boat.



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DIVING SECTION

- All Divers and equipment should be Certified/In Test, use a capable Boatman and dive within their Certification.
- All fish and crayfish must meet amateur fishing regulations pertaining to size and allowable numbers of each species.
- All crayfish taken must be caught by hand, no Rod/Reel or Pots

WEIGH STATION

- Competition weigh station manning times as per Supplementary Rules.
- The angler will be responsible for the following:
 - ✓ Taking photos.
 - ✓ Producing tackle and requirements as requested by the weigh master.
 - ✓ Washing down the weighing table and pad after use.
 - ✓ Disposing of fish.
 - ✓ Ensuring that the correct details are entered and signed on weigh sheet.
 - ✓ Please fill out weigh sheet prior to weighing fish to save time.

PRIZES

- One caught prize per angler (lucky angler and lucky boat prizes are not classed as a caught prize).
- Prizes not won may be drawn as lucky angler prizes, angler must be there to claim prize.
- All prizes are valued at recommended retail prices.
- Prizes cannot be exchanged for cash or swapped by the club or Sponsor.

GENERAL

- Fishing Boundaries – Cape Egmont Lighthouse to Albatross Point. (Out to 100nm).
- Use of jetty - Please clear quickly. Complete your preparation in the preparation bay.
- Please do not park in the commercial boat parks (marked out area in red paint).
- Please do not exceed 5 knots in the harbour. (Non compliance may result in disqualification)
- Clear the boat wash facilities as quickly as possible and leave in a tidy state.

CLUBROOMS

- Only alcohol purchased from the Club Bar may be consumed in the clubrooms and surrounding areas.
- A reasonable standard of behaviour and dress is required at all times.
- Breach of Clubroom Rules will result in instant disqualification of the angler from the competition.
- Visitors to the Clubrooms must be signed in.

PRIZE GIVING CEREMONIES

- Details as per the Supplementary Rules