

# Burnsco Fishing Competition

**Saturday 22 September**

*(rain date Saturday 29 September)*

## COMPETITION RULES

### 1. Participants

- a) All Skippers must be paid-up members of either the OBC Auckland, OBC North Shore, Hibiscus Coast Boating Club, Te Atatu Boating Club, Maratai Beach Boating Club and the Buckland Beach and their vessels must be a registered vessel of those Clubs. Crews do not necessarily have to be members.
- b) All boats and skippers must be registered with the host Club prior to the event.
- c) There is no entry fee for the event. All crews in this competition are invited to participate in all associated activities free of charge; however the host Club may operate a cash bar, there will be a fee for those involved with dinner by the said Club. Numbers will be required for catering purposes.
- d) There is no restriction on numbers of boats/crews from either Club who may participate.

### 2. Hours of Fishing

- a) Fishing can commence from 0500 hrs and will cease with the close of weigh-in at 1700 hrs

### 3. Species

- a) The target species will be Snapper (*Pagrus auratus*).
- b) Other species may be weighed-in but will not contribute towards the winning of the Trophy. The host Club may wish to acknowledge significant catches by some other means.

**4. Fishing methods**

- a) The only methods allowed to be employed while fishing in this contest are rod & reel or hand line. No other method including set long line, net, spear fishing, etc. is to be used

**5. Competition limits**

- a) Fish of legal size caught on the day off the east coast within the boundaries of Goat Is. to the northern tip of Gt Barrier Is. (The Needles), southern most tip of Gt Barrier Is (Cape Barrier). to the northern tip of the Coromandel Peninsular (Cape Colville) but excluding all marine protected areas, may be weighed in. No angler is to exceed the daily bag limit (7) snapper.

**6. Weigh-in**

- a) Weigh-in will take place at the host Club, between the hours of 1600 hrs to 1700 hrs. Only fish actually presented for weighing can be eligible to be counted
- b) Only fish caught in accordance clauses 1 – 6 will be accepted for weighing in.

**7. The Trophy**

- a) The “Trophy” will be the coveted Burnsco Trophy and it will be awarded to the Club team which has the heaviest recorded combined weight from its five heaviest fish weighed in on the day.

**8. Trophy holder**

- a) The winning Club is the holder, and has the right to retain the Trophy until the next challenge. The Club is required to host the next challenge within the next twelve months in accordance with these rules.
- b) If the current holder of the Trophy cannot organise the event, then the previous holder of the Trophy will assume the responsibility.
- c) One club does not have the right to amend/change the rules without the consent of the other.

**9. Postponement**

- a) If for the day of competition the Met. Service forecast is for 25 knot winds or more on the Hauraki Gulf, as per forecast on Channel 21, and then the event will be postponed until the following day, Saturday 29 September.

May the best team win!

Good Luck,

Endorsed by:

Club Captain.  
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