OBC FAMILY FISHING COMPETITION **"THE RULES"**

Saturday 10 March 2018

(Rain date Sunday 11 March)

High Tide 1442hrs 2.9m Low Tide 0826hrs 1.0 Sunrise 0714hrs

All fish must be caught on rod, reel, hand line or lure. **NO** nets, long-lines etc. Fish must be of legal size. (Snapper 30cm, Kingfish 75cm, Kahawai-no size)

FISH DIVISIONS AND PRIZES

Adults Prizes

Prizes for 1st, 2nd and 3rd heaviest Kingfish and 1st – 10th Snapper and Kahawai. Also 1st, 2nd and 3rd longest Snapper (see additional rules and instruction for Longest Snapper to register) One prize per adult across each category (Snapper, Kahawai, Kingfish).

Kids Prizes (4-12 years inclusive)

Prizes for 1st, 2nd and 3rd heaviest Snapper, Kahawai and Other Species. One prize per child across all sections, this gives a better chance for more children to win.

Other Species Section: If your kids do not catch a big fish, they can weigh in a sprat or even a pilchard ... it's all in the name of fun for the kids!

Winners of prizes MUST be present to collect them. If you are not here to collect the prize for the biggest fish, the prize will go to the next heaviest fish. This process will continue until the 6th heaviest fish. If you do not fish the day, you are still eligible for the pre-prize giving angler draws. You must be there to collect it.

Unclaimed prizes (eg. 2nd and 3rd kingfish) where only one kingfish is caught will be retained by the OBC for future events.

The four major prizes (awarded at the end of prize giving)

- Longest Snapper
- Lucky Angler draw
- Combined Weights
- Average Weight Snapper

The above major prizes are only open to current financial OBC adult members. If a non-member fish is the closest to the above prizes, a special prize will be presented to that non-member if applicable.

You will only be allowed to weigh in three of each species per angler. We suggest that to maximize your chances to win the Average Weight Snapper prize - you should weigh in your largest, middle and smallest Snapper. This way everybody has a fair and equal chance, as in most contests a pan size Snapper wins the prize.

Bait and Ice

Four ton of salt ice will be available in a truck near the wash bay. This is available for you to keep your bait and fish chilled. It is free, so help yourself to a chilly bin full.

The bait station (with good pricing) will be operating next to 'check-in' (5.30am to 10am only).

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Fishing Boundary

The Family Fishing Competition is a 'one base' competition. You must launch from the OBC only! Fishing hours are only between 5am and 3:30pm (weigh-in). Your boat bag MUST be collected on fishing competition morning from 5am only! This includes your angler ID numbers required for weigh-in and special competition sticker for online length entries. You cannot collect your boat bag once you return from fishing. Sorry, no exceptions!

Weigh in

11am to 3:30pm. You MUST be in the queue no later than 3:30pm (prize giving starts promptly at 4:30pm). No exceptions will be made. This includes online entries for Longest Snapper. Kids section 4-12 years will have a separate weigh-in queue.

Guest parking

Please try and bring your crew in your car. Otherwise, guest parking will ONLY be on Tamaki Drive. We will be at maximum capacity on Competition Day.

Food/Beverages/Entertainment

BBQ, beverages and live special guest entertainment from singer Lee Gray will be available from 2.30pm. Plus bouncy castles for the kids.

Spot Prize

'Spot' prizes are fairly drawn (members and non-members). This gives each angler entered an equal chance to win a great prize. There are 20+ spot prizes!

No Late Entries

Grab your entry form from the office or online <u>www.obc.co.nz</u> Entries and payment must be received in the office by 5pm, 2 March.

Launching

Everybody must launch at the far end (eastern ramps). On return, you drop your fish and crew off at the Clubroom ramps (if you are running late), then return to the eastern ramps. You cannot tie up and leave your vessel at the Clubroom ramps. You must vacate the area immediately, so others can get in.

Hardstand users

Return your vehicle and trailer back to your allocated space while at sea.

Prize Allocation

The OBC and sponsors will not enter into any disputes regarding prizes. Sort out your own boat rules with your crew prior to the contest.

Washdowns

Are not available after 3pm. Hoses will be removed at this time as it affects the water supply to the toilets.

Cancellation

The fishing competition will be postponed to the Sunday if the forecast is for OVER 25 knots of wind in the Waitemata Harbour.

A message will be left on the OBC Info Line 0800 622 462 (0800 OBC INC) after 0500hrs on Competition Day. Save this number in your phone!

Should both days be cancelled, there will be a BIG Barbecue/Party at the Club at 3pm on Sunday. All Prizes will be drawn as Spot Prizes at 5pm. Make sure you're here!

If you require anything further, please refer to 'Frequently Asked Questions' file on the OBC website www.obc.co.nz

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