# OBC Family Fishing Competition 2021 The Safety Stuff

# **Please read carefully**

# **Vessel Safety**

Ensure that all your safety gear is with you and up to date. Total responsibility whilst aboard your vessels remains that of the skipper of the vessel. Please ensure that nothing on your part harms yourself (or others) whilst in the club grounds (or on water).

The OBC is not liable in any way for conditions outside its control. Although the OBC holds the competition, the decision to be on the water is up to each boat's skipper. Remember the comfort and safety of your passengers and crew (as per maritime law).

#### **Maritime Rules**

It is law that all vessels must carry a life jacket on board for each person. Maritime rules provide it is the skipper's legal responsibility to ensure lifejackets are worn in situations of heightened risk. For example: when crossing a bar, in rough water, during an emergency and by non-swimmers.

Lifejackets must be stored so that they are immediately available in case of an emergency or capsize. Everyone should wear a properly secured lifejacket at all times in boats under 6 metres. Unless the person in charge expresses authority to remove a floatation device (after assessing all circumstances).

If any assistance is required, please call Coastguard Radio first on channel 64 (Waitemata Harbour/Inner Hauraki Gulf), 60 (Outer Hauraki Gulf), 62 (Waiheke). If the radio isn't working then dial \*500 by mobile.

# CHANNEL 16 IS THE EMERGENCY CHANNEL FOR MAYDAY AND PANPAN CALLS

#### Around the OBC grounds

Remember to keep an eye on your own children and others at all times. Know where they are and what they are doing. Please make sure they are safe. (*We will feed wandering or lost children coffee and give them a puppy.*)

There will be around 100 boats in the contest and this will create considerable traffic. Be careful around the grounds.

Cross traffic areas safely - WALK, DON'T RUN!

Take note of the speed limit signs around the ground – these are a MAXIMUM speed. 10km.

#### Tractor

The driver of the tractor must have previously received training with the OBC. No passengers on tractors!

# First-Aid

First aid kits are located in the office and security hut. Please see a staff member. There are two defibrillators, one in the security hut, the other in the buggy.

# Fire Warden

Please see a staff member in the office.

#### **Parking attendants**

These VOLUNTEERS are there to help you and make launching and parking as smooth as possible. Please be polite and help them as requested.

# **Fishing Boundary**

The Family Fishing Competition is a 'one base' competition. You must launch from the OBC only!

Fishing hours are only between 5:00am and 3:00pm (measure, close off time).

Your boat bag MUST be collected on fishing competition morning from 5am only! This includes your special competition code for all length entries. You cannot collect your boat bag once you return from fishing.

Sorry, no exceptions!

Above all ... HAPPY BOATING AND FISHING!!!