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WHAT'S ON

January 20-21 - Botany Bay Bill Heyward Memorial Tournament, Central Zone and Weekend Pointscore both days for all boats - this is great time to fish! Why would you miss it.

Entry forms: <https://www.botanybaygamefishing.com.au/cmsAdmin/uploads/botanybaygfc-billheywardmemorialtournamentbrochure-2024rs.pdf>

February 3-4 - Lake Macquarie Big Fish Bonanza - A great comp run by our northern neighbours, entry forms:

<https://imgfc.com.au/wp-content/uploads/2023/12/2024-Big-Fish-Bonanza-Entry-Application.pdf>

Wednesday February 7 - Members Meeting - Come along and get the run down on fishing port Stephens including reading SST's for the area and tips to be competitive at the Shootout and Interclub

President's shout, lucky boat and members draw so come along.

Starting at 7:30pm in the Horseshoe Cove Room - Dinner from 6:30 in the Salt Cove Brasserie

February 10-11 - Central Coast GFC Skins Tournament, Central Zone and Weekend Pointscore both days for all boats. Entry Forms available soon at <https://www.ccgfc.com.au/>

February 17-18 - NPSGFC - Billfish Shootout - A great warm up for the interclub and some great cash on offer! Entry forms:

<https://www.npsgfc.com/billfish-shootout/>

February 23-25 - NSWGFA Interclub - Time to take on the best clubs in NSW for the title of Champion Club, Entries need to be in by 14th January, If you only do 1 comp a year this is the best.

Entry forms:

<https://www.nswgfa.com.au/cmsAdmin/uploads/2024-interclub-tournament-rules-entry-form-and-safety-form.pdf>

Wednesday March 13 - Members Meeting - Interclub wrap up and warm up for the Main Event the Broken Bay Invitational Tournament - this will be held from 7:30pm in the RMYC Horseshoe Cove Room.

Dinner in the Salt Cove Brasserie from 6:30.

March 16-17 - Broken Bay Invitational Tournament - The MAIN EVENT, Entry Forms out soon. This is weekend point score and Central Zone round.

Entry Forms out soon.

March 30-31 - Weekend Pointscore - Keep the points ticking over. If you are looking for a boat to fish on or crew to get out there please contact the club - Visitors Welcome! Boats fishing Saturday must advise by email or on WhatsApp before the weekend

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PRESIDENTS REPORT - JANUARY 2024

Season greetings!

I hope all members had a relaxing Christmas break with a few new fishing toys under the Christmas tree.

This is a great time of year with warmer water on our doorstep the fishing has been heating up and there has been plenty to report. It has been great to see plenty of on water activity with our pointscore days being very well attended in December and January, lets keep this momentum going.

We are now running upto tournament season which kicks off on the 20-21st with the Botany Bay Bill Heyward memorial with tournaments every weekend or 2 right through to mid-April. There are links to the various entry forms in this newsletter.

The NSWGFA Interclub is fast approaching, and we need entries sent back to the club by the 14th January so we can finalise teams and submit to NSWGFA by 25th January. At this point the following boats are lining up with a couple more keen:

Zorro	Rampage	Prime Time
Anyfin	Wayfinder	FFM
Murrifin	Carnage	Black Rat

Our club had a great time last year taking out Champion Club T&R, this year let's take out both!

If your keen to come give the biggest comp of the season a crack, please get in touch with the committee ASAP! I will be organising a bus to get crews back on the 11th February, please touch base if you want to jump on board.

Our November membership drive was a great success with 21 new members joining up on the night. Welcome and thank you to all the people that joined! The club benefits greatly from the injection of new enthusiasm and we look forward to helping you get out on the water and catching a few fish, please don't be shy come along to meetings and get to know other members and if you have any questions, please get in touch myself or any of the committee members.

Preparation for the 2024 Club Marine Broken Bay Invitational Tournament is underway and we will have entry forms out shortly.

See you on the water!

Cheers and Tight Lines

Craig

PORT STEPHENS BUSES

If you are looking to get back from Port Stephens on the Weekend 10/11th February please contact Craig on 0408052799, We will have transport arranged to get crews home after delivering the boats North. Buses will leave Dalboras Nelson bay about 18:00 Sunday 11th February to return to the RMYC, we can organise other pickups & drop offs as required.
I need numbers ASAP.

FISHING REPORT - NOVEMBER 2023

Huey's Success:

- In early December, James Huon skipper of Huey had an impressive day on the water, going four for four on stripe marlin. While other club boats struggled, Huey managed to find success and land all four marlin.

Mako Catch:

- The crew aboard Carnage had a great day managing a 127kg mako shark on a 10kg to Janet Ward. A great fish to start their account for the season and hopefully a sign of things to come.

Mixed Results with Stripe Marlin:

- Some boats had encounters with stripe marlin during December, but unfortunately, they were unable to successfully tag them. However, Encore and Blackrat managed to catch stripe marlin each after hearing reports of others being caught.

Solo Success:

- Beau Jones, on his new boat named The Hound, had a memorable day catching a solo stripe marlin. Well done to him every solo marlin is a hard fought effort.

Port Stephens Fishing Adventure:

- Roddy and his crew embarked on a fishing trip from Sydney to Port Stephens running 85 mile to where they had been reportedly catching them.

They had an incredible day, spotting a whale shark then going five from six on stripe marlin. Most of their catches were achieved through switch baiting, providing an exhilarating experience on the water.

Promising Waters:

- Several boats fishing the pointscore reported encountering lovely water conditions, indicating the potential for good fishing opportunities. Although boats like Carnage and Anyfin had encounters with marlin, they were unable to convert their bites.

Anticipated Fishing in Sydney:

- Port Stephens is currently experiencing good fishing, and it is expected that this run of fish will filter down to Sydney just in time for the Botany Bay tournament. It won't be long until they are here in numbers!!





BROKEN BAY GAME FISHING CLUB

Junior Fishing Program



Come and join us for monthly fishing days aimed at getting kids out on the water. This season we will be running a program to encourage junior to get out there. Days will be shorter and catered to smaller anglers.

Participation will include:

- Entry into GFAA National Junior Competition
- Instruction from some of our clubs most experience anglers
- Great opportunity to meet other kids and families in Broken Bay GFC

Meet at the club approx 7:00am, for a short tuition session before heading out. Return to the club at approx 1:00pm for a swim in the pool.

ENQUIRE TODAY: infobbgfc@gmail.com or call Craig 0408 052 799

BOAT REGISTRATIONS

Below is the list of boats currently registered for the 2023-24 season. If you are not on this list your boat is not eligible for point score and trophies.

Current boat registration list as at 8/1/24

All Business	Anyfin	Blackrat	Blood Sport
Bodrum	Carnage	Dakota	Eagle
FFM	Jack Daniels	Kalastaa	Luna Sea
Murrifin	Murritweeni	RU 4 Reel	Prime Time
Requiescence	Shogun	The Hound	Water Girl
Zorro			

It is mandatory that every boat is registered BEFORE competing in club pointscore. Simply fill out the registration form and send it in with a copy of your insurance and you are good to go for the season.

If you have any questions about boat registrations, please contact Secretary Gerry.

Link to Boat Registration Form: <https://www.royalmotor.com.au/boating-groups/game-fishing/game-fishing-forms>



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BBGFC is now active on Social Media

In our ongoing efforts to connect, engage, and share game fishing, we're excited to announce a fresh wave of content to scroll while on the porcelain throne. BBGFC is more active on social media, this will enhance our club's presence online and make us even more accessible to members old and new. Social media has become an indispensable tool for staying connected.

Members Only WhatsApp Group Chat

The most important part for you will be the WhatsApp group exclusively for BBGFC Members. This is a space to stay connected with club members. Use this group chat to find crew for your boat, be crew on someone else's boat, get the latest fishing reports, or ask all your fishing and tackle questions.

How to Join the WhatsApp Group:

1. Keep an eye on your phone - you should have received a text message with the group link.
2. Tap on the link to join the group directly.
3. Alternatively, you can use your phone camera to scan the QR code included in this newsletter.



Instagram

Our Instagram account is @BrokenBayGameFishingClub, follow this for the latest club updates, fishing edits and photos. We want to showcase not just the catches and days on the water, but the camaraderie and experiences that make our club special. Whether it's a screaming Tiagra, videos and photos of members latest catch or tag, updates and reminders of point score weekends, events or meetings - we'll have it there! So figure out your iPhone camera asap and send in your photos and videos, we would love to feature your next big fish.

Instagram is also one of the best ways to communicate with the club directly to ask any questions and get a fast reply.



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Facebook

For those who prefer Facebook, we're right there with you! Find us on Facebook at "Broken Bay Game Fishing Club" and join the conversation. Share your anecdotes, fishing trips, and experiences with the community on our page. It's another hub to keep the lines of communication open.

May the fish fear you

Matthew Pullicin

Supplementary Pointscore		Date		10/01/2024								
Boat	Date	Time	First Name	Last Name	Angler Cat	Fish	Weight	Tag No.	L/C	Catch Type	Capture Points	T & R points
Carnage	6/07/2023	10.50	Janet Phil	Ward Kassilis	F	Yellow Fin Tuna	24.6		24	Tag	0	
	6/07/2023	12.00			V	Yellow Fin Tuna	24		24	Tag	0	
<i>Total</i>											0.00	0.00

Weekend Pointscore		Date		10/01/2024								
Boat	Date	Time	First Name	Last Name	Angler Cat	Fish	Weight	Tag No.	L/C	Catch Type	Capture Points	T & R points
MURRIFIN	16/09/2023	??	Lachlan Stuart	James Williams	M	Tiger Shark		S215288	15	Tag		3,450.00
	17/09/2023				M	Blue Shark		S215286	15	Tag		2,875.00
	17/09/2023		Matthew	Pullicin	M	Blue Shark		S220167	15	Tag		2,875.00
<i>Total</i>											0.00	9,200.00
PRIME TIME	16/12/2023	9.33	Luke	Vanden Monert	M	Striped Marlin		B184053	15	Tag		11,500.00
	<i>Total</i>											0.00
Carnage	16/09/2023	13.00	Janet	Ward	F	Tiger Shark		S253939	15	Tag		3450
	16/09/2023	14.10	Janet	Ward	F	Blue Shark	105.5		6	Tag	9043	
	16/09/2023	18.30	Janet	Ward	F	Mako Shark	115.5		8	Tag	12089	
	18/11/2023		Jamie	Ward	M	Blue Shark			6	Tag		3125
	18/11/2023		Jamie	Ward	M	Blue Shark			6	Tag		3125
2/12/2023	16.05	Janet	Ward	F	Mako Shark	127			10	Tag	9274	
<i>Total</i>											30,406.00	9,700.00
Black Rat	16/12/2023	12.05	Angus	Nicol	J	Striped Marlin		B178517	15	Tag		11500
	<i>Total</i>											0.00

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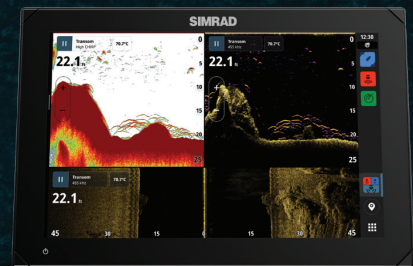


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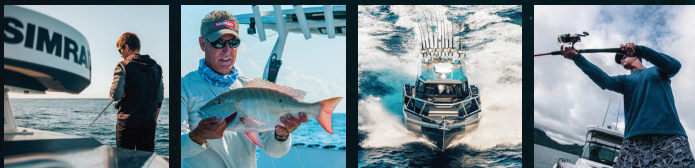
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