



MILFORD Cruising Club

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Annual Fishing Tournament

Saturday 15th June 2019

Rules and Regulations

Welcome to the 2019 MCC Annual Fishing Tournament

The purpose of this contest is to make sure you all have a good time and an equal chance to win some excellent prizes. To that purpose we have a set of rules and regulations, please read them and make sure you fully understand them.

REGISTRATION:

- All contestants must each complete an entry form to register and they will be issued with a numbered angler ticket on full payment of the entry fee.
- Entry fees can be paid by internet banking, cash sale at MCC Clubrooms or via Eventbrite. Payments will not be accepted after 11th August 2019.
- Late entries will only be accepted up to the 14th June 2019 at 4pm. These will be cash sales only and can be made at the Milford Cruising Club Office.
- Once payment is made confirmation of your registration/entry ticket number will be sent out to you by email, your actual ticket will be given to you on briefing night at the MCC clubrooms, 24 Craig Rd Milford.
- No prizes will be issued without your numbered angler ticket. Lost tickets cannot be replaced.
- The organizers reserve the right to cancel the registration of any contestant whose conduct, in their opinion, is contrary to the spirit in which the fishing competition is run. The decision of the organizers is final and no refund will be given.
- Registration constitutes acceptance of the Rules and Regulations covering the competition and all contestants agree to abide by the organizers' and judges' decisions.
- There will be a briefing held at MCC clubrooms from 6:45pm Friday night the 14th June 2019. We would like all anglers to attend. Information regarding any changes will be issued at the briefing.

- If you are unable to make the briefing you would need to organize collection of your tickets, AT LEAST ONE PERSON FROM EACH ENTRY MUST BE AT THE BRIEFING NIGHT. ALL SKIPPERS **MUST** ATTEND.

COMPETITION RULES

- Fishing starts at 6:00am Saturday 15th June 2019 and finishes at 4:00pm Saturday 15th June 2019. Weigh in starts at 4:00pm until 6:00pm Saturday 15th June 2019. If you are not in the line for the weigh in by 6:00pm your fish will not be accepted.
- Fish must be caught on the day and within the times stated.
- The only fish species that are eligible to be weighed in are Snapper, Kingfish & Kahawai.
- The weigh in will be held on the lawn area outside the MCC clubrooms, 24 Craig Rd Milford.
- There will be boundaries set for the fishing area. There will be no exceptions. Please see attached map. This is an honesty policy.
- Fishing methods acceptable are rod and reel only.
- Net fishing, long-line, kontikis and spear fishing are not permitted.
- Fishing can be by boat, kayak, beach or rock.
- All fishing is to comply with MAF fishing rules and IGFA guidelines.
- All fish to be weighed in are to be kept on ice to preserve the fish.
- Kingfish and kahawai to be bleed at time of catching fish.
- A maximum of one entry per species per registrant is permitted.
- Any breach of the rules will result in instant disqualification from the tournament and, or any future tournaments.

SKIPPER RESPONSIBILITY

- To ensure they only take the vessel out in conditions that are appropriate to both the vessel and your own skill level.
- To ensure all safety equipment and lifejackets (one per person) are on board and in good working order.
- That your vessel is in a safe and good working condition

COMMUNICATIONS

Safety Boat : Ma'Cherie

Skipper : Brett Seagar

Call Sign: Milford Sorts Radio

Channel: 06

Bridge Call-up: Channel 73 (request ATOC to lift the bridge)

Chatter Channel for competition entrants: Channel 06

Coast Guard Communications: Channel 82

(Land line for Operations Centre 09 3031303)

Weather Channel: Channel 21

EMERGENCY CHANNEL: Channel 16

TIDE TIMES – 15th June 2019

a. High Tide: 05:19 (3.2m)
c. High Tide: 17:59 (3.2m)

b. Low Tide: 11:29 (0.6m)
d. Low Tide: 23:54 (0.7m)

WEIGH-IN

- Weigh-in 4:00 to 6:00pm Saturday 15th June 2019.
- Contestants must have their numbered angler's ticket to weigh-in fish. No ticket, no weigh-in.
- Contestants must be in line to have their fish weighed no later than 6:00pm
- The competition organizers' and weigh-master's decision is final and binding on all contestants.
- Only legal nominated finfish species will be accepted to weigh-in.

PRIZES

- The Competition Organizers' decision is final.
- If two or more fish of equal weight become eligible for a prize, these fish will go into a draw to determine the winner.
- Prizes are as offered and are not redeemable for cash value and can change at any time.
- Winners must be at prize-giving with their numbered angler ticket to receive any prizes. If not, prizes will be redrawn.
- Prizes become the responsibility of the winners once they have received them.
- Prize giving and dinner will be from 6:45pm 15th June 2019 at the MCC Clubrooms.
- Where fish are not caught, prizes will be drawn at random from registered anglers.

CANCELLATION OR POSTPONEMENT

- If the weather is not acceptable for fishing, or winds over 25 knots, then the prize-giving will continue at the advertised time and all prizes will become Spot Prizes with all numbered anglers in with a chance to win.
- Cancellation or postponement will be updated on the Milford Cruising Club Facebook page or by email.

LIQUOR

- As the venue for the weigh-in and prize-giving is licensed, BYO alcohol is not permitted. Please respect this rule - confiscation is unpleasant for everyone. Drunken and disorderly behaviour will not be tolerated - you risk disqualification and removal from the event. We encourage responsible consumption of alcohol.

DISCLAIMER

- The organizers reserve the right to change or amend the competition at any stage, subject to advice from its legal or technical advisers, recommendations from the Maritime Authorities, or in the interest of public safety.
- The competition organizers, Milford Cruising Club Fishing Tournament, their sponsors and officials shall have no liability in connection to this tournament for any damage

caused by any vehicle, boat or other property, or loss of property, or personal injury, or damage whatever nature or kind howsoever caused.

REFUND POLICY

- Once tickets have been purchased we do not offer any refunds or exchanges, all ticket sales are final. If you have any issues around your payment, please contact Nicola Jeffery on 09 489 6837 or via email Milfordcruising@milfordcruising.co.nz. All tickets are numbered and cannot be exchanged or replaced.... keep them safe.