

MOOLOOLABA GAME FISHING
CLUB PRESENTS

Billfish Babes

Game Fishing Shootout

SATURDAY • FEB 8, 2020
LADIES ONLY SANCTIONED TOURNAMENT

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GENERAL INFORMATION

The Billfish Babes Game Fishing Shootout is hosted by the Mooloolaba Game Fishing Club Inc (MGFC). It is a light tackle tag and release tournament which is open to female anglers (Babes) only who are members of Q.G.F.A or the G.F.A.A.

ENQUIRIES

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TOURNAMENT ENTRY

\$120 for Senior Babes
\$50 for Junior Babes
\$100 for fixed Calcutta
\$50 each non-fishing crew (dinner ticket only)
\$50 for extra dinner tickets which must be pre-paid with Tournament Entry on or before Friday briefing night.

Included in your entry is:

- Friday Evening Meet & Greet 6:30pm (finger food included. Cash bar)
- Saturday Evening Presentation Dinner
- Tournament Shirt*
- Tournament Bags (one per boat) It is the skippers responsibility to collect the Tournament Bag.
- R.E.D Levy

***Note:** tournament shirts are distributed to teams based on their order of entry – the later the entry the less chance of shirt size requirements being met, and risk of running out of shirts.

LUCKY ANGLER / ENTRY PRIZE ELIGIBILITY

- must be financial for the tournament
- must be a financial QGFA Member
- must be a competing angler
- must attend the Presentation

Crew are not included in the prize draw.

QUALIFICATIONS

The tournament will be fished to G.F.A.A. rules. Anglers MUST be a current financial member of a club affiliated with either G.F.A.A or Q.G.F.A. All anglers may be asked to provide proof of current membership. MGFC Membership is available, please speak to Joshua on 0403 431 480. The Club reserves the right to refuse entry to any person.

MARINA BERTHS

MGFC will include a marina berth for Friday and Saturday (subject to availability) as part of the entry fee upon request. Additional days are at your own cost. (Early bookings essential due to limited numbers). Please observe Marina rules at all times, be respectful to other residents at the marina.

Phone Steve Turner on 0412 679 488 for berth allocation prior to Saturday. *It is the skippers responsibility to collect the marina key.*

FACILITIES

Tags are required to gain access to the facilities and the Marina. Tags will be available as you arrive & on briefing night. A fee of \$100 will be charged which will be refunded upon departure. Please see Steve Turner to collect your tag.

REGISTRATION

All boats and Babes must be registered and paid by 5pm, Saturday February 1. Tournament brochure and entry form are available on

www.mgfc.com.au and our club Facebook Group. Direct bank transfers can be made to Mooloolaba Game Fishing Club.

BSB: 124 001.

Account Number: 10560883.

Please use Babes or boat name as description in your payment. Please make cheques payable to Mooloolaba Game Fishing Club & post to: PO Box 1115 Mooloolaba 4557. There will be no credit card facilities available.

CALCUTTA

There will be a \$100 fixed Calcutta for boats entering the tournament.

PRESENTATION

Presentation of trophies will be at a Dinner upstairs at the Savvy Squire, Saturday February 8 from 7pm. Food will be served with a cash bar available.

Extra Presentation Dinner tickets are \$50 and must be pre-paid with Tournament Entry on or before Friday briefing night.

BOAT PARADE

Babes are encouraged to decorate their boats and dress in fancy dress for a colourful Boat Parade through the Channel and into Mooloolaba Bay. Prizes are awarded for the best dressed boat. Boats are to meet outside the Coast Guard building by 6am for the Boat Parade to begin at 6:15am. Each Boat will be given a number in order for the judges to identify each boat. Boats will leave the harbour in numerical order.

SHOTGUN START

The Billfish Babes Game Fishing Shootout features an exhilarating shotgun start at 7am from Mooloolaba Bay. Boats are not permitted to leave the harbour before 6:15am.

BOATS DEPARTING OTHER PORTS

In the interest of creating atmosphere for the event we request all boats participate in the start and depart from Mooloolaba Port.

FISHING DAY & TIMES

Saturday:

Meet outside Coast Guard - 6:15am

Boat Parade - Between 6:15-6:45am

Shotgun Start - 7:00am

Start Fishing – 8:00am

Cease fishing 4:00pm

SKED TIMES

10.03am, 1:03pm, 3:33pm. (Overtime permitted)

SKEDS

RADIO SKEDS VHF 21 only. Competing boats sheets. Skeds will be called on VHF 21 only.

WEATHER AND BREAKDOWN

No allowance will be made for fishing time lost due to bad weather or breakdowns. The tournament committee reserves the right to cancel or postpone the tournament due to bad weather. If due to bad weather fishing is cancelled, the tournament will be postponed to the backup date of February 22.

BOAT LENGTH

For the purpose of this tournament, boat length overall is to be determined from the measurement taken from the bow, (excluding bowsprit) to stern (excluding outboard pods). This measurement will be used to determine under 7 metres or 7 metres and over categories.

WEIGH-INS

Weigh-ins will be conducted at the Commodores Wharf, Pier 33 on Saturday February 8 from 4.30pm - 5:30pm. All anglers must remain with the weighmaster during weighing and recording. Fish may be weighed outside these hours by arrangement only. All edible fish may be gilled and gutted. A 10% allowance will be made for

any fish gilled and gutted. No fish are to be left at the weigh station. Points will be deducted for infringements. (Record claim fish must be intact)

ACTIVITY SHEETS, TAG CARDS AND CAPTURE FORMS

Daily activity sheets, tag cards and capture forms are to be delivered to the weighmaster's hands by 5:30pm Saturday February 8 or points will not be awarded. No points will be awarded unless tag cards and activity sheets are filled out correctly and the tackle has been delivered and checked by the weigh master.

FISHING TACKLE

The tournament Weighmaster will perform random tackle inspections. Any team found to be using non-conforming equipment will be disqualified of any points.

DISPUTES COMMITTEE

A disputes committee consisting of members of a minimum of two competing clubs will hear protests, provided they are submitted in writing no later than 2 hours after cease fishing on the day of alleged infringement. The committee's decision is final and no further discussion will be entered into.

FISHING GROUNDS

Between a line running due East from Double Island Point and a line running due East from Point Lookout.

SPEED LIMITS

Whilst steaming within the confines of the Mooloolaba Harbour, the speed limit of 6 knots must be observed.

By entering the Tournament, all Competitors, Crew and Spectators agree to indemnify and hold MGFC harmless from and against any costs, damages, expenses, legal fees and disbursements, claims, liabilities, actions, and causes of action thereon arising from or related to any claim or threatened claim by any person or entity arising from or related to the performance of the Tournament. All Competitors, Crew and Spectators agree that all limitations or exclusions of MGFC's liability, shall extend to and be for the benefit of those individuals and entities MGFC retains for performance of the Tournament, including but not limited to MGFC's officers, committee, directors, volunteers, partners and employees. Competitors, Crew and Spectators further agree they shall make no claims or take any proceedings whatsoever directly against MGFC's officers, committee, directors, volunteers, partners and employees, whether the claims arise in contract, tort or otherwise, and whether covered by insurance.

FUEL AND ICE

Diesel and ice are available at Chippo's Fuel Supplies. Chippo's Fuel Supplies (Diesel) Phone: 0427 002 908 Browns (Unleaded) Phone Steve Turner on 0412 679 488 for fuel bookings

VENUES

Friday Evening Meet & Greet at the MGFC Club House (to the left of Pier 33).
Saturday Evening Presentation Dinner Upstairs at the Savvy Squire, Parkyn Pde, Mooloolaba.

SINGLEFIN BEST PHOTO AWARD

This award will be given to the best photo or video taken during the tournament. To be eligible for the prize, please share your picture to the Mooloolaba Game Fishing Club Facebook Group, or share your picture on Instagram tagging @mgfc_fishing and @gageroadsbrewingco. Bonus points if a Gage Roads Brewing Co. drink appears in your pics!

TROPHIES

- Champion Senior Babe
- Champion Junior Babe
- Champion Other Species Babe
- Champion Boat 7m and Over
- Champion Boat Under 7m
- Best Decorated Boat
- Last Billfish Tagged
- Encouragement Award
- Greenie Award
- Singlefin Best Photo Award

G.F.A.A. EQUIPMENT AND ANGLING REGULATIONS APPLY.

- *Each team will consist of no more than 6 anglers and no less than 2.*
- *There will be 1 line category fished, 8kg only for light tackle Billfish (light tackle points 7500). Light tackle zone is in less than 150m of water.*
- *It is acknowledged that some skippers may also be anglers in which case will have equal fishing time and opportunity as the other anglers.*
- *A maximum of 2 predetermined rods set with either lures or natural dead bait may be in use at any one time by a single angler. (Clarification: 1 angler may not be on strike with more than 2 predetermined rods at any stage while trolling lures or natural dead bait).*
- *A maximum of 1 predetermined rod set with live bait may be in use at any one time by a single angler. (Clarification: 1 angler may not be on strike with more than 1 predetermined rod at any stage while live baiting). The rod must not be handled by others including pitch baiting or setting.*
- *In regards to rules 4 and 5. There must also be equal fishing "time" and "opportunity" for each angler. (Clarification: no one angler can maintain strike more than another).*
- *Skippers may maneuver the boat to assist anglers.*
- *Boat crews are not permitted to assist anglers in any other way than to tag and release or capture fish as per GFAA rules.*
- *Hookups that go into overtime are permitted on Saturday only but must be radioed into game base prior to cease fishing.*
- *Only NSW DPI Billfish tags are to be used, failure to use the correct tags will result in zero points being allocated for that fish. It is the responsibility of each competing team to provide their own tags. No points will be allocated for weighed billfish.*
- *Capture points are as follows: fish weight x 100 divided by line class. Fish may be gilled and gutted and a 10% allowance will be made for this. However potential record claims must be presented intact.*
- *Other species: a limit of 2 fish of any one species per angler per day. Any fish to weigh must be equal to or greater than line class. Eligible species are limited to: Yellowfin Tuna, Longtail Tuna, Cobia, Mahi Mahi, Spanish Mackerel, Wahoo. Queensland Bag /Possession limits apply.*
- *Any tied trophy will be awarded to the angler or team recording their points total first.*
- *The tournament committee will decide all trophy winners, that decision will be final. The club reserves the right to review the awarding of any trophy if a contravention of the fishing rules becomes apparent.*
- *No fishing including bait fishing will be allowed prior to start fishing. It is presumed that teasers are also fishing gear and may not be deployed before start fishing.*
- *Any protests are to be lodged on the day of the alleged incident. In the event of a protest a group will be formed from visiting clubs representatives and they will determine the merit of any such protest based on majority vote.*
- *Anglers MUST be a current financial member of a club affiliated with either G.F.A.A or Q.G.F.A. All trophy winners may be asked to provide proof of current membership. The club reserves the right to refuse entry to any person.*

Mooloolaba Game Fishing Club Inc. Reserves the right to refuse any application to participate in this tournament.

Billfish Babes

Vessel Name			
Boat Make			
Length		Radio VHF	
Boat Entry / Theme			



Boat Contact Details

Skippers Name			
Address			
Email			
Insurance Company			
Insurance Policy Number		Expiry Date	

Team Details

Angler	Name	Club	Snr/Jnr	Shirt Size Preference
Babe 1				
Babe 2				
Babe 3				
Babe 4				
Babe 5				
Crew 1				
Crew 2				

All onboard safety remains the responsibility of the owner/skipper. By signing this entry form you authorise Mooloolaba Game Fishing Club to take photos and videos of you which can be used by the club for ongoing promotional purposes.

Entry Fee Details

Senior Babes	_____ x \$120	Signed (Team Captain)	
Junior Babes	_____ x \$50		
Crew (includes dinner ticket)	_____ x \$50	Date	
Dinner Ticket (Extra Guests)	_____ x \$50	Phone Number	
Calcutta	\$100 per Boat	Online & Cash/Cheque Payments Only (No Credit Card Facilities) Please make cheques payable to Mooloolaba Game Fishing Club and post to PO Box 1115, Mooloolaba 4557.	
Total Payable to MGFC	\$		
Please use Boat Name in e-payment as payment reference.		Account Name:	Mooloolaba Game Fishing Club
		Account Number:	BSB - 124 001 Acc - 1056 0883

TEAMS (& FUNCTION GUESTS) MUST BE ENTERED AND PAID BEFORE SATURDAY FEB 1, 2020

Email entry forms to: secretary@mgfc.com.au - Chris Dickinson – 0437 337 996

For further information: please contact MGFC President, Joshua Cox - 0403 431 480