

Eden Amateur Fishing Club Inc. March 2014 Fishing Competition

RULES

Fishing Area: The fishing area is limited to the Coast, Estuaries and Rivers from the Moruya River in the North to Bemm River in the South.

Competition Fishing Times: Fishing may commence at 6:00 am Saturday March 1st 2014 and ends at 12 noon Saturday March 8th 2014. All fish must be caught within these times. **Entrants must have entered the competition 3 hours prior to weighing in a fish.**

Fishing Method: All fish must be caught by rod/reel or hand line and anglers must comply with **NSW or Victorian fishing regulations as applicable**. Motorised reels, lead lines, nets, set lines or spear guns must not be used. Each angler must hook and land their own fish but may receive assistance in gaffing or netting the fish.

Minimum Fish Lengths: No fish will be eligible for Competition Prizes unless it meets the minimum legal length requirements for a captured fish as set out in **NSW Fishing Regulations**. **Fishing Licences:** Note that fishing licences are required in NSW and Victoria and are not transferable between these two states

Presentation of Fish for Weighing: Fish must be presented for weighing within 25 hours of capture. Fish may be bled but not gutted and will only be awarded the weight as presented. Fish may be iced down but not frozen. All fish must be weighed at the EAFC clubhouse weighing station between 7:00 am and 7:00 pm except for Saturday 9 March when closing time is 12 noon, or as otherwise advised. Note that fish will be cut after presentation for weighing except for live fish which will marked and may be released.

Note: An entry receipt must be presented <u>before</u> weighing in fish and for the collection of all prizes.

Disputes: The committee reserves the right to refund the entry fee paid by any person breaking these rules, weighing in fish suspected of being illegally caught or having foreign matter being pushed into the fish, more than one person fishing for each individual entry or any action in defiance of the rules or good will of the competition.

GUIDELINES

Attendance at the Competition Briefing: Attendance is highly recommended. This briefing will be held at the EAFC clubhouse at 5:30 pm on Friday Feb 28th 2014 and will detail all rules and procedures.

Use of Quarantine Bay Boat Ramp: As there will be high demand on the ramps for launching and retrieving boats, all anglers are requested to minimise their time on the ramp. The ramps are not there for cleaning or repairing boats.

Cleaning of Fish and Disposal of Large Frames: Again there will be high demand on the six cleaning tables. Anglers are requested to minimise their time at the tables and to thoroughly clean and hose the tables and boards. Anglers are requested to dispose of large frames by depositing them at sea.

Sale of Fish

This Competition is an amateur competition and the sale of fish is prohibited by NSW law. Anglers are encouraged to take only the fish they need.

Car and Trailer Parking

Please be mindful on how your car and trailer are parked both in the car parks and on the hill under the trees. Do not parallel park where multiple angle parking bays will be blocked to other vehicles.