

2018/19 MMYC PORT PHILLIP BAY CLASSIC



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TOURNAMENT RULES

1. WELCOME.

The Mordialloc Motor Yacht Club (MMYC) welcomes and cordially invites all anglers to participate in the 2018/19 Fishing Port Phillip Bay Classic.

The MMYC Tournament Committee consists of:

John Woollard – 0414 571 175
Rangi Saluni - 0401 771 325

Chris Naughtin – 0438 362 023
Peter Follet - 0419 378 168

NOTE. The skipper and any person involved in affecting a capture or photo and release must be a paid tournament angler. It is permissible to have observers onboard but they must not assist in driving the boat, radio communication or the process of fishing whatsoever. Observers are restricted to a maximum of two per boat.

2. ENTRIES.

All Boat Skippers must read all tournament rules and forward all fully completed entry forms and fees to the MMYC by 2pm Sunday 16th of September.

Fees: Adult - \$120.00 for the full season Juniors - 11–18 years old \$50.00 for the full season - Small Fry - under 11 years free of charge.

Tournament BBQ and Soft Drink \$10.00

Juniors and Small Fry are eligible for Senior prizes if they pay the adult entry fee. However, please be aware that if a Junior or Small Fry wins a senior category, they are unable to win the Junior/Small Fry category as well.

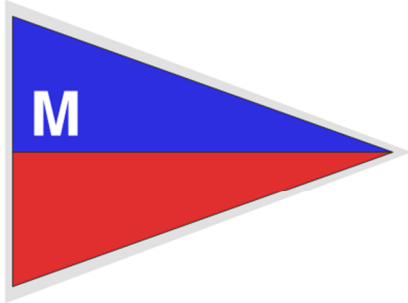
3. BOAT TEAMS.

All boats shall consist of a minimum of 2 anglers with a maximum limit to the number of anglers as per VIC Maritime Vessel Capacity.

A team will comprise of 2 boats. The composition of these teams will be balloted at the Tournament briefing. If the number entered does not allow equal teams of two then the last team balloted may comprise of three boats.

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4. REPLACEMENT OF BOATS AND COMPETITORS.

No replacement of boats and competitors will be allowed after the commencement of the tournament. Anglers may not effect a capture or photo & release on any other vessel than the vessel he/she is registered on.

5. SEAWORTHINESS OF BOATS.

All boats must comply with VIC Waterways Regulations for safety equipment and the safety standards of the vessel's home club. A "**Boat Safety Rescue form**" is included as part of the entry form and must be completed and signed by the boat skipper.

6. INSURANCE.

It is mandatory for all boats to carry Third Party Property Damage and Third Party Personal Injury Insurance to be a minimum value of \$5,000,000 and a copy of policy details **MUST** be supplied with the boat entry form before entry can be accepted.

7. STATUTORY REQUIREMENTS.

All Anglers must carry a Recreational Fishing License (RFL). Bag limit and size restrictions must also be adhered to.

8. FISHING DAYS & TIMES.

Fishing days allocated to the seasons points scoring are as follows:

Weekend 1: Saturday 29th of Sept from 4am – Sunday 30th of Sept 11:59pm (Point score only)

Note: Any fish hooked and reported to Tournament Base prior to cease fishing may be played out and if caught will be eligible for the tournament

Weekend 2: Saturday 13th of Oct from 4am – Sunday 14th of Oct 11:59pm (Point score only)

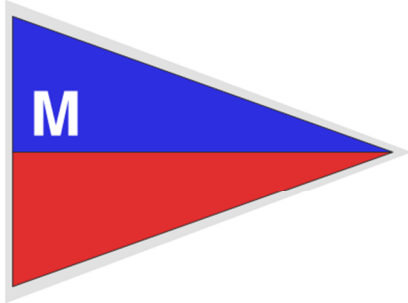
Note: Any fish hooked and reported to Tournament Base prior to cease fishing may be played out and if caught will be eligible for the tournament

Weekend 3: Saturday 27th of Oct from 4am – Sunday 28th of Oct 11:59pm (Point score only)

Note: Any fish hooked and reported to Tournament Base prior to cease fishing may be played out and if caught will be eligible for the tournament

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Tournament Weekend 4: Saturday 10th of Nov from 4am – Sunday 11th of Nov 2pm (Tournament prizes and 1pm BBQ plus point score)

Note: Last weigh in of fish will be 2pm on the Sunday, please be back @ the Island well before this time.

Weekend 5: Saturday 17th of Nov from 4am – Sunday 18th of Nov 11:59pm (Point score only)

Note: Any fish hooked and reported to Tournament Base prior to cease fishing may be played out and if caught will be eligible for the tournament

Tournament Weekend 6: Saturday 24th of Nov from 4am – Sunday 25th of Nov 2pm (Tournament prizes and 1pm BBQ plus point score)

Note: Last weigh in of fish will be 2pm on the Sunday, please be back @ the Island well before this time.

Weekend 7: Saturday 1st of Dec from 4am – Sunday 2nd of December 11:59pm (Point score only)

Note: Any fish hooked and reported to Tournament Base prior to cease fishing may be played out and if caught will be eligible for the tournament

Tournament Weekend 8: Saturday 8th of Dec from 4am – Sunday 9th of Dec 2pm (Tournament prizes and 1pm BBQ plus point score)

Note: Last weigh in of fish will be 2pm on the Sunday, please be back @ the Island well before this time.

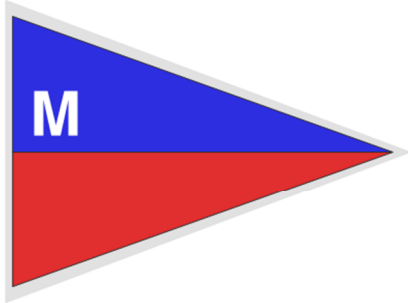
NOTE: On the final day all boats must be back on the island before 2pm with fish captures and/or release photos & weigh ins to be eligible for Tournament Trophies/prizes and point scores.

9. FISHING BOUNDARIES.

All legally fishable areas of Port Phillip Bay are allowable.

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10. BAD WEATHER.

To avoid taking unnecessary risks in the event of bad weather, the Tournament Committee will decide whether the day will be a competition day or not. Boats should establish early morning contact with Tournament Base or members of the Tournament Committee at the Weigh Station. In the event of bad weather developing after the start of fishing then the Tournament Committee will confer and will decide whether or not the competition will be called off for the remainder of the day. Any fish captured/tagged prior to the tournament being called off would be eligible for the competition.

Note: A declaration of a Gale Warning by the appropriate government weather authority will automatically require the cancellation of the tournament until the Gale Warning is lifted. In the event of a declaration whilst vessels are at sea, such vessels are required to cease fishing immediately and return to port. The MMYC Tournament Committee accepts no responsibility for decisions made by individuals whether to put to seas or not, having regard to the committee's decision on the tournament for the day. The ultimate decision on returning to the harbour remains with the competitors.

11. WEIGHSTATION PROCEDURE.

Once boats enter the vicinity of the weigh station, they are under the control of the Tournament Official at the weigh station and **MUST** obey all instructions issued by the Tournament Official. The weigh station will be open from 10am on the Sunday of the Tournament Weekend.

12. FISHING RULES.

- ELIGIBLE SPECIES** – King Fish, Shark, Snapper, Whiting, Pinkies, Flathead, Salmon and Garfish.
- TIME** – Failure to record time and date of release or capture with photo will result in zero points for point score only days. Tournament days must see fish weighed by official weigh master. It will be only weighed fish on these days that will receive points. Tournament days biggest fish in nominated species will also receive prizes.
- Points** - Will be calculated as per point score in the below table

KINGFISH	SHARK	SNAPPER	WHITING	PINKIES	FLATHEAD	SALMON	GARFISH
10000	7500	5000	3000	2500	1500	1000	1000

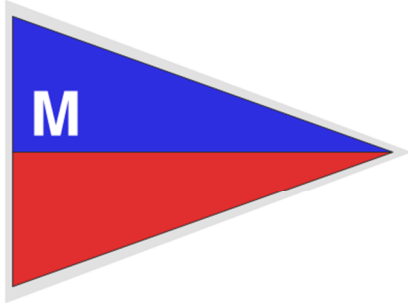
Points will be awarded to the angler that has fought the fish and these points will go to the individual and to the boat team seasons total.

FISH MUST BE UNGUTTED AND UNSCALED BEFORE WEIGH IN

Please note: Tournament Days will attract DOUBLE points for both the individual and boat team.

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The individual and Boat Team with the most points at the end of the season will be awarded Club Champion at the Gala Award Presentation Night.

Juniors & Small Frys will compete on the same basis as the seniors in their own season competition.

13. FISH HANDLING.

All fish are to be removed from the weigh station after weighing.

Note: Fish **MUST NOT** be disposed of in Club bins. Failure to comply with this rule will invoke a penalty against the offending boat.

14. PROTESTS.

Protests, if any, must be submitted in writing by the Boat Skipper to the weigh station in writing by 6pm on the following point scoring fishing days or tournament. The MMYC Tournament Committee's determination of any protest or rule interpretation will be final.

15. MISCONDUCT.

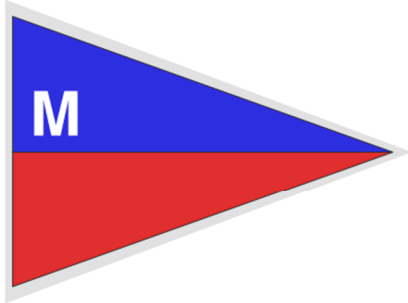
The MMYC Tournament Committee may on its own initiate an investigation and act upon any incident of misconduct by an angler on a boat, be he/she registered for the tournament. The committee may impose penalties of loss of points, disqualification of fish, angler, boat or team and refusal of entry to any future Club Tournament. All competitors are reminded that as a member of the Club they are regarded as a representative of that Club, as such, any unbecoming behaviour reflects adversely on the Club, hence, the Tournament Committee reserves the right to take any action it deems necessary in these circumstances.

16. TOURNAMENT FUNCTIONS.

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| • Briefing will be at Lambert Island (Behind Doyles Hotel) – Sunday 23 rd Sept 2018 2pm Bar will be open & briefing will commence @ 2:30pm |
| • Tournament Barbeque Start – Sunday 11 th Nov 2018 MMYC 1pm |
| • Tournament Barbeque Start – Sunday 18 th Nov 2018 MMYC 1pm |
| • Tournament Barbeque Start – Sunday 9 th Dec 2018 MMYC 1pm |
| • Gala awards night Presentation of Champion Club Anglers 2nd Feb 2019 (Entire Club Invited) |
| • Lucky Angler draw – to be done on Gala Presentation night |

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17. CONDUCT.

It is an expectation that all participants will conduct themselves in a responsible and courteous manner to the Tournament Officials and other competitors at all times throughout the Tournament season. All anglers, particularly boat captains, are requested to display a degree of courtesy to all other boats on Port Phillip Bay.

Penalties for misconduct may include disqualification from the Tournament.

18. INDEMNITY.

The MMYC accepts no responsibility whatsoever for any action caused or any damage arising out of the conduct of this tournament. In consideration of accepting this application to participate in the event, all competitors agree to release or indemnify The Mordialloc Motor Yacht Club, The Tournament Committee and any of their voluntary workers against all claims, proceedings or actions for loss of damage to property or person.

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