



Official Rules and Information 2018

The 2018 North Queensland Sportfishing Championships actively promotes sustainable fishing and caters for individual and club-based anglers of all ages.

DATE

4th – 6th May 2018

VENUE

Halifax Hall – 15 Argaet Street, Halifax Qld 4850 (See map)

EVENT SCHEDULE

Friday 4th May

5pm

Fish Registration Number Announced (Txt & Facebook)

6pm

Start fishing

Sunday 6th May

3pm

Stop Fishing

4pm – 5pm

Fish Registration Open

Bar & Kitchen Open

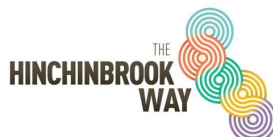
Free Kids Activities

5pm

Lure Casting Comp

6pm

Presentations



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General Rules

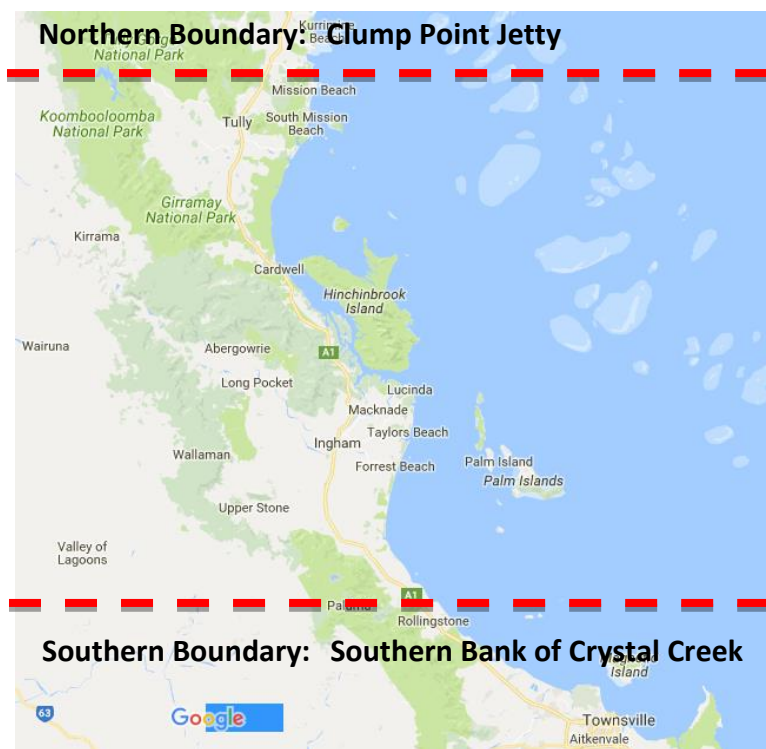
- If not specified herein, anglers are to follow the guidelines as stated in the Australian National Sportfishing Association (ANSA) Handbook (www.ansaqld.com.au/rules-forms).
- Anglers must adhere to the current Queensland Recreational Fishing Rules and Regulations.

Nominations

- Nomination fees are as stated on the official nomination forms
- ANSA club anglers (nomination form A) may nominate in one or both light and open line class sections.
- ANSA club anglers must be current members of ANSA Qld at the time of the event.
- Non-club anglers (nomination form B) may only nominate in the open line class category.
- Non-club anglers will receive short-term ANSA Qld membership for this event.
- Non-club anglers, who choose not to nominate a club, will fish under the banner of "Qld Sportfishers".
- The organisers reserve the right to refuse entry to any competitor/s.
- Junior competitors are anglers under 16 years of age when competing in the event.
- Senior competitors are anglers 16 years and older when competing in the event.
- All nominations must be submitted on the official nomination form and received along with payment in full before the nomination deadline.
- Late nominations will not be accepted except under special circumstances where notice is given prior to the official start time and will be at the discretion of the organisers.
- If an angler is unable to fish, and notification is given to the Hinchinbrook Sportfishing Club prior to the start of the event, that person's nomination fee will be refunded upon request.

Boundaries

- All waters within the area of the official competition boundary map providing they do not violate state and federal laws.
- All creeks or rivers whose mouth falls is within the boundary may be fished and there is no east or west boundary.





Fishing Times

Start 6:00pm, Friday 4th May

Finish 3:00pm, Sunday 6th May

Lucinda Tide Times May 2018

4 0745 1.79
1046 1.86
FR 1645 1.31

5 0034 2.36
1715 1.47
SA

6 0313 2.34
1119 1.54
SU 1552 1.66
1836 1.62

Line Class Sections

Light Line Class

- Anglers can register up to 5 fish (only 2 of any one species)
- Anglers can fish 2kg, 3kg, 4kg & 6kg line
- Points are calculated using the following method;

$$\frac{\text{Overall Length of Fish (cm)} \times \text{Trophy Factor (TF)*}}{\text{Line Class (kg)}} = \text{Points}$$

Example: (35cm pikey bream caught on 2kg)

$$\frac{35\text{cm} \times 2.4 \text{ (TF)}}{2\text{kg}} = 42$$

**Trophy Factor (TF) (see eligible species list) = ANSA fighting factor (FF) + body factor (BF). BF = 0.1 points per 1kg of weight a species is estimated to attain at one metre in length.*

Open Line Class

- Anglers can register up to 5 fish (only 2 of any one species)
- Anglers can fish any line class including non-pretasted mono and braided line
- Points are calculated using the following method;

$$(\text{Overall Length of Fish (cm)} - \text{Minimum Length (cm)**}) + 100 = \text{Points}$$

Example: (70cm barramundi)

$$(70\text{cm} - 58\text{cm}) + 100 = 112$$

***Refer to eligible species list for Minimum Lengths*



Cold Drinks & Yummy Food
Available from the
Bar & Kitchen Sunday afternoon!





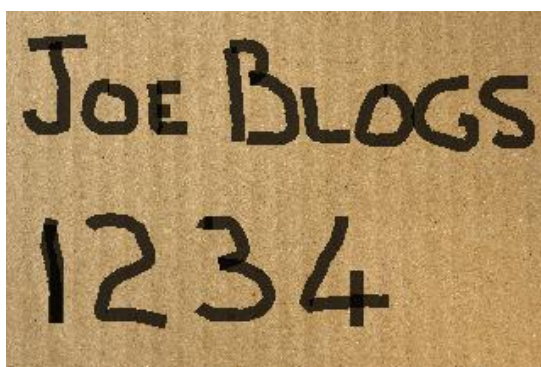
Fish Registration

- a) Anglers must register their fish by;
 - i. Presenting photos of their fish on an appropriate measuring device to officials during the allocated fish registration time (see “Measuring & Photographing Fish” for details)
 - Or
 - ii. Present their fish for measuring by officials during the allocated fish registration time
- b) Fish registration is between 4pm – 5pm on Sunday 6th May 2018
- c) Anglers must present their photos, or fish for measuring, to officials at the fish registration table, Halifax Hall, during the allocated registration period
- d) Anglers must complete and present a fish registration form with their photos or fish (available from officials during fish registration)
- e) Fish registration will close at 5pm sharp
- f) All fish presented, whether by photo or for measuring, must be fresh and not frozen or mutilated.
- g) For a period of fifteen (15) minutes after the completion of fish registration all anglers will have the opportunity to raise any disputes with officials, after which there will be no further correspondence between officials and anglers.
- h) The fish registration officials shall have the final say on all decisions and disputes and their decision shall be final.

Fish Registration Number

- a) All photos of fish taken on appropriate measuring devices must include the angler’s name and the official event fish registration number
- b) The fish registration number will be announced one hour prior to the official start to fishing by way of;
 - i. An email and text message to each club’s nominated contact person, as listed on the official “Nomination Form A”
 - ii. Hinchinbrook Sportfishing Club Facebook page - <https://www.facebook.com/Hinchinbrook-Sport-Fishing-Club-361817127231230/>
- c) It is the responsibility of each angler to ensure they have a way of accessing the fish registration number.
- d) The angler’s name & the fish registration number may be displayed by applying directly to the measuring device or by way of a registration card

Example - Registration Card





Measuring and Photographing Fish

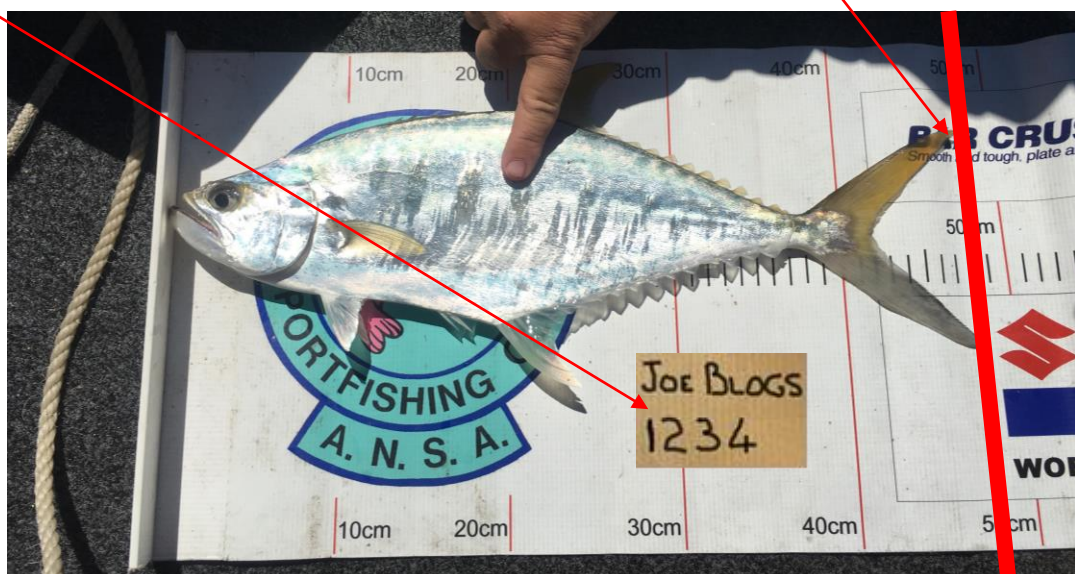
- a) Measuring of fish must be done on an appropriate measuring device, such as a properly manufactured measuring mat or ruler, with clearly legible calibrated increments
- b) The overall length of the fish (rounded down to nearest 5mm) will be the measurement used for this event
- c) To be eligible all photos must;
 - i. be taken on an appropriate measuring device
 - ii. be clear and measurement increments easy to read
 - iii. Display the whole fish in a single photo; including measurement increments
 - iv. Show the leading part of the fish's head on the start of the appropriate measuring device
 - v. Clearly display the anglers name and the fish registration number
- d) Event officials reserve the right to reject photos that they believe do not meet the criteria

Examples



Fish Registration Number & Angler Name

Measurement (cm)





Awards

Individual Awards

Trophy Fish winners & Champion Anglers will walk away with some great prizes. Champion anglers also take their place in history with their names to be scribed on the Champion Angler perpetual trophies.

Meritorious Capture awards are open to all visiting and community anglers and recognize catches of significance as judged by officials.

Champion Club Awards

Champion clubs will receive a trophy as well as their club's name scribed on the Champion Club perpetual trophy.

Junior Encouragement Awards

All juniors who nominate and attend the awards presentation evening receive a gift pack.

Categories

Award	Line Class		Description
	Light	Open	
Meritorious Captures	✓	✓	Light: 2kg, 3kg, 4kg & 6kg Open: Freshwater, Estuary, Reef, Pelagic
Trophy Fish (Jnr, Snr Female & Male)	✓	✓	Highest single points scoring fish
Champion Male (Senior)	✓	✓	Highest points (5 fish)
Runner-up Champion Male (Senior)	✓	✓	Highest points (5 fish)
Champion Female (Senior)	✓	✓	Highest points (5 fish)
Runner-up Champion Female (Senior)	✓	✓	Highest points (5 fish)
Champion Junior	✓	✓	Highest points (5 fish)
Runner-up Champion Male (Junior)	✓	✓	Highest points (5 fish)
Runner-up Champion Female (Junior)	✓	✓	Highest points (5 fish)
Champion Club	✓	✓	Highest average points scored per fish (3 fish minimum)

(5 fish) = maximum of 2 fish of any one species

Activities, Competitions & Games

Lure Casting Competition & Kids Activities

The Hinchinbrook SFC will be running a *FREE* lure casting competition and kid's activities on Sunday afternoon in the lead up to presentations. Everyone is encouraged to participate and have fun!

Raffle

To keep nomination fees as low as possible the Hinchinbrook SFC will be running a raffle on Sunday evening.

Major Draw Prize

Every angler who registers a fish and attends the presentation evening will go into the draw to win a fantastic \$500 Fishing & Outdoor prize pack thanks to Wilmar Sugar.

Post Presentation

Following presentations everyone is invited to join us in telling tall tales about the one that got away around a fire pit that will be set up on the camp grounds.





Eligible Species List

Common Name	Sub Species	Scientific Name	Min / Max (cm)	Trophy Factor (TF)*
Amberjack		<i>Seriola dumerilii</i>	50	2.8
Archer		<i>Toxotes chatareus</i>	18	2.6
Barracuda		<i>All Species</i>	55	1.6
Barramundi		<i>Lates calcarifer</i>	58 / 120	2.8
Bass	Sand	<i>Psammoperca waigiensis</i>	30	2
Batfish		<i>Platax spp.</i>	28	3
Bonefish		<i>Albula Vulpes</i>	30	3.2
Bonito	Leaping	<i>Cybiosarda elegans</i>	40	2.8
Bream	Pikey	<i>Acanthopagrus berda</i>	28	2.4
	Yellowfin	<i>Acanthopagrus australis</i>	28	2.4
Cobia		<i>Rachycentron canadus</i>	75	2.6
Cod	Coral	<i>Cephalopholis miniatus</i>	38	2.8
	Flowery	<i>Epinephelus fuscoguttatus</i>	50 / 70	2.8
	Maori Rock	<i>Epinephelus undulatostratus</i>	45	2.8
	Greasy	<i>Epinephelus tauvina</i>	38 / 100	2.8
	Sleepy	<i>Oxyeleotris lineolatus</i>	30	2.2
	Camouflage	<i>Epinephelus polphekadion</i>	50/70	2.8
	Goldspot	<i>Epinephelus coioides</i>	38 / 120	2.8
	Blackspot	<i>Epinephelus malabaricus</i>	38 / 120	2.8
	Other Saltwater	<i>(excluding barramundi, potato & Qld groper)</i>	38 / 120	2.8
Coral Trout	Footballer	<i>Plectropomas laevis</i>	50 / 80	3
	All others	<i>All others</i>	38	3
Dart	Snubnose	<i>Trachinotus blochi</i>	35	3.4
Dolphin Fish		<i>Coryphaena hippurus</i>	60	2.2
Emperor	Red	<i>Lutjanus Sebae</i>	55	3
	Red Throat	<i>Lethrinus chrysostomus</i>	38	3
	Spangled	<i>Lethrinus nebulosus</i>	45	3
	Other	<i>Lethrinus spp.</i>	30	3
Flathead	Dusky	<i>Platycephalus fuscus</i>	40 / 75	1.8
	Other	<i>Platycephalus spp.</i>	30	1.8
Flounder		<i>All species</i>	20	2.2
Garfish		<i>All Species</i>	20	1.4
Grunter	Sooty	<i>All species</i>	28	2.8
Hairtail		<i>Trichiurus savala</i>	40	1.0
Herring	Giant	<i>Elops Australia</i>	35	2.6
	Wolf	<i>Chirocentrus dorab</i>	50	1.2
Javelin	Small Spotted	<i>Pomadasys argenteus</i>	35	2.6
	Barred	<i>Pomadasys kaakan</i>	40	2.6
Jewfish	Black	<i>Protonibea diacanthus</i>	75	2.0
	Silver	<i>Nibea soldado</i>	30	2.0
Job Fish		<i>All species</i>	38	2.8

Common Name	Sub Species	Scientific Name	Min / Max (cm)	Trophy Factor (TF)*
Kingfish	Yellowtail	<i>Seriola lalandi</i>	60	2.8
	Black Banded	<i>Seriolina nigrofasciata</i>	45	2.8
Long Tom		<i>All species</i>	45	1.4
Mackerel	Spanish	<i>Scomberomorus commerson</i>	75	1.8
	Grey	<i>Scomberomorus semifasciatus</i>	60	1.8
	School	<i>Scomberomorus queenslandicus</i>	50	1.8
	Spotted	<i>Scomberomorus munroi</i>	60	1.8
	Shark	<i>Grammatorcynus spp.</i>	50	1.8
Mangrove Jack		<i>Lutjanus argentimaculatus</i>	35	3.4
Marlin		<i>All species</i>	100	2.2
Milk Fish		<i>Chanos chanos</i>	30	3
Mullet		<i>All Species</i>	30	2
Parrot Fish		<i>All species</i>	30	2.6
Pennant fish		<i>Alectes ciliaris</i>	35	2.6
Perch	Pearl	<i>Glaucosoma scapulare</i>	35	2.4
Permit		<i>Trachinotus falcatus</i>	35	3.2
Queenfish	All	<i>Scomberoides spp.</i>	50	2.2
Rainbow Runner		<i>Elagatis bipinnulatus</i>	45	2.2
Remora		<i>All species</i>	45	1.4
Sail Fish	Pacific	<i>Istiophorus platypterus</i>	100	2.4
Salmon	Beach	<i>Leptobrama mulleri</i>	25	2
Seabream		<i>All Gymnocranius & Gnathodentex spp.</i>	25	2.6
Sickle Fish		<i>Drepane punctate</i>	28	3
Sole		<i>All species</i>	20	2.2
Snapper	Common	<i>Pagrus auratus</i>	35	2.4
	Long Spined	<i>Argyrops spinifer</i>	30	2.4
	Saddle Tail	<i>Lutjanus malabaricus</i>	40	2.8
	Crimson	<i>Lutjanus erythropterus</i>	40	2.8
	Golden	<i>Lutjanus johnii</i>	40	3
	All other	<i>Lutjanus sp.(excl. chinaman, paddletail, red bass)</i>	30	2.8
Sweetlips		<i>Plectorhynchus spp.</i>	30	2.8
Sword Fish	Broadbill	<i>Xiphias gladius</i>	100	3.2
Tarpon		<i>Megalops cyprinoides</i>	30	3
Teraglin		<i>Otolithes ruber</i>	30	2.0
Threadfin	King	<i>Polydactylus macrochir</i>	60	2.8
	Blue	<i>Eleutheronema tetradactylum</i>	40	2.8
Trevally	All Species	<i>Caranx ignobilis</i>	35	2.6
Triple Tail		<i>Lobotes surinamensis</i>	35	3.4
Tuna		<i>All species</i>	40	2.8
Tusk Fish		<i>Choerodon spp.</i>	30	2.6
Wahoo		<i>Acanthocybium solandri</i>	75	2.0
Whiting		<i>All species</i>	23	2.0
Wrasse		<i>All species except Hump Head Wrasse</i>	30	2.4

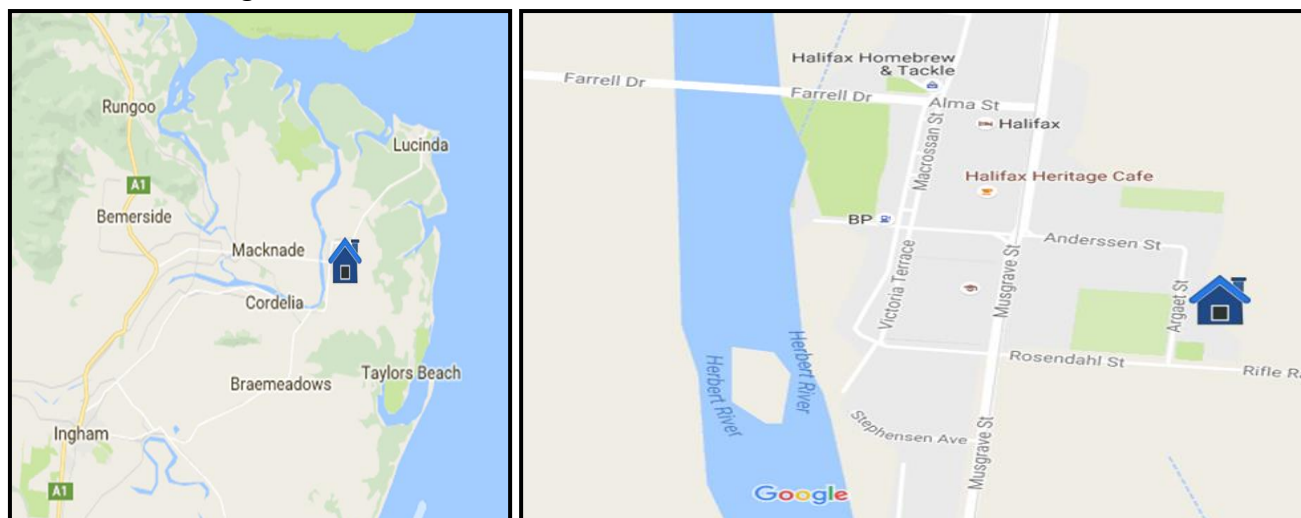
Declaration: The Hinchinbrook SFC takes no responsibility for any errors or omissions in this eligible species list. Anglers should always refer to the Qld DAF recreational fishing rules and regulations. The final ruling on species eligibility is at the discretion of event officials.

**Please note that the Trophy Factor (TF) is a new system being trialed for this event and may be subject to future changes.*



Venue Map

Halifax Hall: 15 Argae Street Halifax, Qld 4850



About Hinchinbrook

www.hinchinbrookway.com.au/

www.facebook.com/hinchinbrookway/



Accommodation

Halifax

Halifax Hotel (07) 4777 7436 www.halifaxhotel.com.au

Lucinda (10min Drive)

Lucinda Point Hotel Motel	(07) 4777 8103	www.facebook.com/Lucinda-Point-Hotel-Motel-129093430503354/
Wanders Holiday Village	(07) 4777 8213	www.wanderers-lucinda.com.au
Hinchinbrook Marine Cove Motel	(07) 4777 8395	www.hinchinbrookmarinecovemotel.com.au
Hinchinbrook Resorts	(07) 4798 3029	www.hinchinbrookresort.com.au

Taylors Beach (10min Drive)

Taylors Beach Holiday Park (07) 4777 8560 www.taylorsbeach.net

Camping at Venue^

Free camping on the grounds of Halifax hall will be available from Friday afternoon until Monday morning. Facilities include basic showers & toilet. ^May be subject to change pending final council approval.

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Taxi Service

Ingham Cabs (we recommend you ring & book in advance)

Admin Phone: 0407 771 917

Direct Bookings: 0407 771 917

Consumption of Alcohol

Event organisers have a duty of care to competitors and guests and request that consumption of alcohol is kept within the confines of the law. Event organisers reserve the right to refuse the sale of alcohol to any competitors or guests. Alcohol must be consumed within the boundaries of the Halifax hall.

Liability

The Hinchinbrook Sportfishing Club and its members do not accept any liability for the insurance cover of any competitor/s, other persons or property involved or associated in any way with the North Queensland Sportfishing Championships. All such persons are totally responsible for their own insurance or liability cover of any kind which covers themselves, their property or equipment and any third party/s.



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