



HOKIANGA BIG GAME AND SPORTS FISHING CLUB INC.

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NEWSLETTER - FEBRUARY 2020

Kia ora everyone, Happy New Year to you all!!

I know it's a bit late into the year, but hey let's keep the good vibes going. I apologise for the lateness of this newsletter getting out to you all, though I would like to highlight that any information you have on what has been going on out there in the waters, send it through so I can add the interesting, funny, and commendable stories to the newsletter and share the word. Unfortunately it has taken a little bit of time to get the finalised information about the upcoming Nationals competition but we have it now, keep reading below to find all the details and the information you need to get registered if you haven't already and let's show this nation what the Hokianga has to offer in the front of fishing.

ANNUAL FISHING COMP 2020

We are only weeks out from the Annual Fishing Competition. This year, as with most other years we will be running this in conjunction with Nationals from the 22nd February to the 29th February.

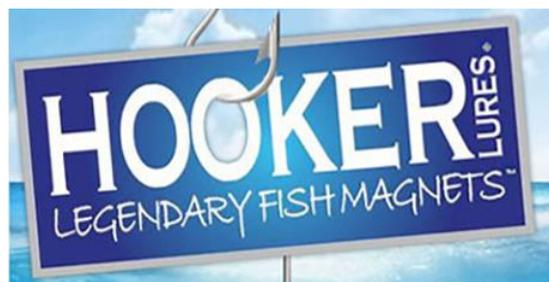
Starting the weekend off with some Land Base Fishing in Herekino from Friday evening (21st Feb) through to Sunday midday (23rd Feb). If you are keen to get together with the other Land Base Fishing fellows please get in touch with Shane, Land Base Coordinator.

The Reel Fishing Comp starts on Saturday 22nd Feb. If you are wanting to be part of the Reel Fishing Comp please complete a registration form attached to the end of this newsletter or you can find it on the website - www.hokiangafishingsclub.co.nz. Please have a look at NZSFC Rules for the 2020 competition which can be found online at www.nzsportfishing.co.nz.

Please remember that if you have not yet registered for this season with the club you will need to do so and pay your subscription before the competition date. You will find the Subscription form attached to the end of this newsletter or you can find it on the webpage by clicking on the link here - <http://hokiangafishingclub.co.nz/files/8456/20%20Subscription%20Form%202019-2020.pdf>

We have a new sponsor come on board with us this year. We would like to welcome and thank HOOKER Fishing Tackle for their support. We look forward to checking out your store and gear this coming year. Thank you, Hooker Fishing Tackle.

We are looking forward to another great competition this year and hope to see you all out there! For more information please get in touch with Linda, Chris or Marina.



PRESIDENTS REPORT

September 2019

LAND BASE:

These club days are always fun and have been ticking over as per usual on the 3rd weekend of each month and it's been great to have a few new members taking part this season. Again, some fantastic results and fish tallies have been recorded throughout the season by our regular crew, and our best weekend saw 23 anglers including 6 juniors thrash it out on Sand Island in January.

We have now fished our second round at Ripiro beach and already the points are getting tight at the top with the most noticeable advances being made by those in their second or third season. This always seems to be the case where by all the knowledge, secrets and snippets of info along with practice finally gel and it's like a light switch coming on. So good luck to you all over the remainder of the season as we work our way around the beaches and rock of Northland.

ANNUAL FISHING COMP 2019:

Again, this was held in conjunction with the Nationals and saw some awesome results across the board. Whilst it was pleasing to see some marlin finally been caught, I think perhaps prizegiving proved some of the more astounding results were in the bottom fishing arena. Full credit to all those that competed as it was not easy out there and we can only hope that next year brings more game fish down to us. Overall it was a fairly hard or slow season and again it was the first fish caught and the latter fish that seemed to be bigger but with less than 30 Marlin recorded or weighed for the season it wasn't great.

I can report that we caught the one and only Wahoo in NZ aboard the good ship Billfish in April but don't know if we should celebrate or worry about that given the changing climate, who knows.

SPONSORS:

We can never thank these people enough but on behalf of myself, the committee and the club I would like to extend a huge thanks and express our gratitude as without you guys our fishing comp would not happen, so cheers.

Also, a massive thanks to our committee members and Weigh Masters, Les and Marina, Linda our secretary and zone rep, myself I guess as Land base coordinator, zone rep and President, Megan for the newsletter, Chris as club captain and Facebook page along with Janice on the web page. All these people in their own roles give up a lot of their own time and do a lot to keep the club rolling, so let's put our hands together for them.

Well as I said it was going to be short so that's it.
Cheers, Shane, Club President.

2019 PRIZEGIVING WINNERS

In September last year, we celebrated all the successes throughout the year by holding the 2019 Prizegiving. Thank you to all of you who came along to support and cheer on the trophy winners.



Name:	BIG GAME:	Weight:
Kash Naysmith	Heaviest Mahimahi	6.66kg
Linda Imms	Ladies 1st Striped Marlin of the Season	
Graham Allen	1st Striped Marlin of the Season	137.5kg
Michael Cocks	1st T&R Marlin of the Season	19th Jan
Graham Allen	Heaviest Striped Marlin	137.5kg
Kash Naysmith	Heaviest Black Marlin	185.9kg
Stef Dawson	Skipper with most Marlin	
John Bruce	Most Merituous Catch	18.35kg Wahoo
Kash Naysmith	Heaviest Other Marlin	185.9kg - Black
Shane Percy	Heaviest Marlin of all time	226.8kg

Name:	GENERAL:	Weight:
John and Tania Roberts	Connections Kahawai Cup	2.5kg & 2.9kg
Nikau Percy	Junior Angler Heaviest Trevally	1.13kg
Aiden Percy	Junior Angler Heaviest Snapper	0.68kg
Jeremy Jurusich	Heaviest Snapper	11.04kg
Scott Oldfield	Heaviest Trevally	4.99kg
Gavin Ross	Heaviest Kingfish	20.05kg

Name:	LAND BASE:	Weight:
Nikau Percy	Landbased Junior Heaviest Trevally	1.13kg
Aiden Percy	Landbased Junior Heaviest Snapper	0.68kg
Tania Roberts	Landbased Ladies Heaviest Snapper	3.08kg
Tania Roberts	Landbased Ladies Heaviest Trevally	2.01kg

Gavin Ross	Landbased Heaviest Gurnard	1.38kg
Gavin Ross	Landbased Heaviest Kahawai	3.07kg
Jason Percy	Landbased Heaviest Snapper	5.49kg
Scott Oldfield	Landbased Heaviest Trevally	4.99kg
Gavin Ross	Landbased Heaviest Kingfish	20.05kg
Nikau Percy	Landbased Junior Most Points	43.32pt
Tania Roberts	Landbased Ladies Most Points	169.18pt
Shane Percy	Landbased Mens Most Points	360.19pt

UPCOMING EVENTS

<u>Dates:</u>	<u>Location:</u>	<u>Notes:</u>
February 21st - 23rd	Herekino	Land Base Fishing Weekend Accommodation at Tui Inn (In conjunction with Nationals)
February 22nd - 29th	Shipwreck Bay – Kaipara Harbour	Reel Fishing Competition Run in conjunction with Nationals Entry Form attached to newsletter.
February 22nd - 29th	Shipwreck Bay – Kaipara Harbour	Nationals Competition 2020
March 20th - 22nd	Location TBC	Land Base Fishing Weekend
Tuesday 14th April	Copthorne, Omapare	Committee Meeting at 6pm at the Clubrooms
April 10th - 13th	Mitimiti, Taikarawa Stream	Kupe Classic - Easter Weekend Land Base Fishing Weekend <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Free camping ● Onsite bar with Hot food
May 15th - 17th	Location/Venue T.B.C	Land Base Fishing Weekend
Tuesday 9th June	Copthorne, Omapare	Committee Meeting at 6pm at the Clubrooms
June 19th - 21st	Location/Venue T.B.C	Land Base Fishing Weekend

WEIGH STATION

What a great start to 2020 with our first marlin weighed on Tuesday 21st January. The long range forecast is looking good, our scales should really get a work out for our Comp and the Nationals.

Marlin weighed to date:

<u>DATE</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>BOAT</u>	<u>WEIGHT</u>
21/1/2020	Mathew Harrison	SKIMMER	93kg
22/1/2020	Keith Wilson	11 EXTREME	106.3kg
22/1/2020	Helena Warmington	TANGAROA	77 .5kg
22/1/2020	Xavier Warmington	TANGAROA	121.9kg

23/1/2020	Morricce Martinovich	DOUBLE SHOT	114.15kg
24/1/2020	Lange	FISH BIN	103.10kg
25/1/2020	Jennifer Rihari	TARPON	106.80kg
26/1/2020	Shane Wilson	GOOD TIMES	101.30kg
03/2/2020	Dick Sheridan	CELTIC WARRIOR	99.3kg
03/2/2020	Cory Bellamy	TANGAROA	132.5



Other marlin have been caught, but the Anglers have chosen to take them to their own Club for weighing, one of which was a Blue Marlin weighing around 190kg's. 2x Marlin have been tagged and released.

(Sean Chick with an 8.89kg/19.59lbs Snapper weighed in on 27th December 2019)

SECRETARY STUFF

I hope everyone had a good break over the Christmas period. With the spell of hot weather, we've had lately it's been very hard to get back into work mode, but reality has to hit eventually.

Some of you receiving this newsletter have yet to pay your subs so please check to see if you are currently financial. It would be a bugger to catch a record fish and now having it recorded.

As most of you probably know our annual "Reel Fishing Comp" is fast approaching. This starts on Saturday 22nd of Feb and finishes on Saturday the 29th Feb. The price this year is \$70 per club member to enter which automatically enters you in the Nationals and \$60 for anglers belonging to other clubs already entered in the Nationals.

The NZSFC has made a change to the competition finish time. The start time is still 6am on Saturday but the finish time is now 4pm (formerly 6pm) on the last day being the time all fish are to have been weighed and all tag cards presented to the recorder. This earlier finish time is to allow the clubs more time to collate their information and get it to the NZSFC.

The Copthorne has provided us with a price list for Fishing Club members drinks but you have to present your membership card to be able to purchase at these prices. If you don't have your membership card you will be paying full price.

Just a reminder our Coastguard channel in the Hokianga is 65. I know I am repeating myself but when using the VHF once you have clicked in give it a few seconds before you speak. I am constantly missing the first part of the conversation which is frustrating for both parties.

That's all for my short & brief report, there's nothing much else to add.

Be safe on the water and "If in doubt, don't go out".

Linda.

HOKIANGA BIG GAME AND SPORTS FISHING CLUB INC.

22nd February – 29th February 2020

2020 "REEL FISHING COMP"

ENTRY FORM

No: _____



ENTRY FORM	
ANGLER NAME:	
POSTAL ADDRESS:	
PHONE NUMBER:	
BOAT NAME: (if applicable)	

FEE PER HOKIANGA CLUB MEMBER (incl. pre-paid subsidy.) INCLUDING NATIONALS	\$70.00	\$ _____
FEE PER MEMBERS BELONGING TO ANOTHER CLUB IF ALREADY ENTERED IN THE NATIONALS	\$60.00	\$ _____
<i>TOTAL PAID</i>		\$ _____

PLEASE NOTE:

- ONE ENTRY PER ANGLER
- ALL ENTRANTS MUST BELONG TO A CLUB AFFILIATED TO N.Z.S.F.C

PAYMENT:

(please tick) **METHOD** **RECEIVED**

OPTION 1: Complete entry form and enclose cheque to 'Hokianga Big Game and Sports Fishing Club Inc' and send to PO BOX 81, Omapere, 0444		
OPTION 2: Complete entry form and post or email to lpattinson@xtra.co.nz (please state in subject the competition name) Payments can be made via direct debit to account 12-3097-0238181-00, please state in reference your name and boat name (if applicable).		

FOR FUTHER INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT:

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