



Corinella Boating and Angling Club

Fishing Competition Rules

- 1... All members must be current & financial to enter any of the competitions. Competitions with an entry fee also require payment of the fee prior to commencing fishing.
- 2... **All fish must be weighed and recorded within 48 hours of the catch. Fish must not be stored up through the season.** If entering a Competition, the fish must be weighed and recorder before 12pm on the presentation day. This ensures the club can keep an up-to-date leader board.
- 3... All catch and release fish must be weighed, a photo taken (showing date and time) and forwarded to a committee member with 48 of catching the fish. If entering a Competition, the fish must be weighed and recorder before 12pm on the presentation day.
- 4... The weighing of fish will be on the honour system, with the club scales and weigh in record book in the lock up box positioned on the gantry at the boat ramp. The lock up box will have a combination lock with the combination provided to all financial members.
- 5... All sharks including elephant fish are to be gutted prior to weighing. All other fish may be weighed in whole.
- 6... All fish weighed in for any competition must be caught in local waters (which covers Western Port & Port Phillip Bays and Bass Straight from Mc Laughlin's inlet thru to Barwin Heads, or any other waters sanctioned by the club) and must be of legal size. Those who catch big fish at Bermagui etc are welcome to bragging rights!
- 7... Competitions will not be cancelled due to bad weather as other options are available for fishing if weather conditions are unsafe for boating e.g., beach, jetty. river etc. Corinella Boating and Angling Club strongly emphasises safe and responsible boating to ensure the safety of our members and does not condone risky or unsafe boating practices.
- 8... All legal catches will count towards the total Annual Competition score.
- 9... Members are required to keep their receipts from each fish weighed in.
- 10... Committee decision is final.

Annual Competitions

11... The Annual Competition runs from 1 July to 30 June of each year. All weigh-ins by financial members in this period are eligible and contribute to the anglers total Annual Competition score according to the [point scoring table](#).

12... Fishing competition fees will be paid at the time of paying the members [Membership Fees](#) and will cover the club's regular weekend calendar competitions and the Annual Fishing Competition. Members will be notified if additional fees are payable for a competition.

13... The committee will collate winners and arrange trophies etc after the end of the season, to be awarded at the Presentation Night.

14... Fish are awarded competition points as per the [points scoring table](#) e.g. 500gm whiting = 50 points, 50kg blue shark = 50 points.

15... A Gummy Shark, Whiting, Flathead, Snapper and Squid have to be weighed in plus 2 different species must be weighed in to be eligible to win the annual competition. If you weigh in more than 2 species other than the 5 listed, the 2 highest point scoring fish will be counted.

16... Anglers can weigh in the same species when they beat their previous personal best weight.

17... To be eligible to win the Annual Competition you must also participate in a minimum of 3 Regular Weekend Competitions for the season.

Game Competitions

18... The Game Competition season runs from 1 July to 30 June of each year.

19... Game competitions winner and any runners up are decided by most competition points on single best game fish.

20... The committee will collate all entries after the close of the Game Competition Season and the prize will be awarded at dinner in the weeks following.

21... Payment of the Game Competition fee must be made either at the commencement of the Game Competition Season or prior to commencing fishing in the Game Competition season.

22... Anglers may weigh in any number of fish, but Corinella Boating and Angling Club emphasises responsible and respectful fishing practices.

23... Eligible species for Game Competition are –

- Mako
- Blue Shark
- Thresher Shark
- Bronze Whaler
- Kingfish
- Tuna
- and any other pelagic species that may happen to be caught by chance. Gummy Shark, School Shark and Seven-Gill are invalid catches for the Game Competition. Great Whites are protected so definitely invalid!

Regular Weekend Competitions

24... The regular weekend competitions run on specific weekends ([check club calendar](#)) from Friday through to the final weigh-in times as outlined in the comp calendar.

25... There are two types of Regular Weekend Competitions:

a) With nominated species (e.g. Snapper, whiting etc); or

b) One overall prize will be allocated based on the [point scoring table](#) for the highest scoring fish of all the nominated species.

26... However, if there are 10 or more registered anglers, each nominated species will be judged on its actual weight, with the heaviest fish of each species winning a prize.

27... Open Competition – all species eligible

28... Catches are scored according to the club [points scoring table](#) (as used for the annual competition). Anglers nominate the fish that will give their highest point score for the competition. The angler with the highest points for the competition wins.

29... Nominated species are either set for the competition, or the competition is declared an open competition. The club Calendar will list the format of each Regular Competition.

30... Members may bring guests to competitions. The cost of entry per guest per regular competition is \$35. Guests are not eligible to enter Annual or Game competitions. Guests need to be [registered and paid](#) prior to the commencing the competition.