

Yorkeys Knob Sport Fishing Club Presents the

2024 SALTWATER CLASSIC FISHING TOURNAMENT

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Saltwater Classic incorporates.

Open Ocean, Shore, Estuaries Fishing and Spearfishing

Entry fee includes a chance to win the lucky door prize a 3.99 Stacer Tinny with Motor & Trailer

20th – **21**st – **22**nd **September 2024**



Yorkeys Knob Sportfishing Club Saltwater Classic

SCHEDULE, FEES, PRIZES AND RULES

The Event

The event is divided into to divisions these being 1) Fishing and 2) Spearfishing. The following schedules, fees and rules apply to both divisions however some additional rules apply to the Spearfishing division. Yorkeys Knob Sport Fishing Club would like to thank the Tournament Sponsors: Port Douglas Marine, Divers World and Wilson. Please support our generous sponsors.

1. Schedule of Events

WEDNESDAY	18 [™] Sept 4.00pm	REGISTRATION CLOSES (NO LATE ENTRIES)
Thursday	19 th Sept 6.30pm	Briefing
Thursday	19 [™] Sept 9.00pm	Start Fishing
Friday	20 TH Sept (24hrs)	All Day Fishing (Spearfishing overnight not permitted)
Saturday	21 ST Sept (24hrs)	All Day Fishing (Spearfishing overnight not permitted)
Saturday	21 ST Sept 4pm – 6pm	Weight-in
Sunday	22 ND Sept 3.00pm	Stop Fishing
Sunday	22 ND Sept 12pm–4.30pm	Weight-In
Sunday	22 ND Sept 6:30pm -	Presentation and Dinner

2. Entry Fee

Entry Fee includes entry in the major draw for the Tinny, Motor and Trailer and other lucky door prizes. Entry Fee also includes T Shirt, Giveaways and Presentation Dinner, (additional person Dinner fee applies to non-entries. BOOKINGS BY 12PM THUR 19th Sept 24.

Adult \$100.00

Junior \$60.00 16 or under on the first day of the tournament

Dinner \$40.00 per person Additional fee for non-entries

3. Fishing Division

CHAMPION CATEGORY - FISHING			
Adult Male	Adult Female	Junior	

3.1 Species and Prize

TOURNAMENT FISHING SPECIES					
Prize : Heaviest fish from the Tournament Species over both days wins for each					
Category (i.e. Adult Male, Adult Female & Junior).					
Barramundi (90cm Max.)	Flathead	Red Emperor			
Mangrove Jack	Mystery Fish (Reef)	Nannygai			
Salmon	Mystery Fish (Estuaries)	Coral Trout (All Species)			

TOURNAMENT RULES

Fishing area: This is an open ocean, estuaries, and shore tournament, except those prohibited by legislation i.e. Green Zones.

Line & Equipment: There is no limit on the line class an angler wishes to use. All fish must be caught using a hook or hooks attached to a conventional fishing line e.g. monofilament, braid etc. No electric reels permitted, except for anglers over the age of 70 who are permitted to use electric reels.

Tournament Hours: As per times on the corresponding page.

Briefing: Each entrant must be present at briefing. The rules of this tournament may be amended verbally or in writing at the time of the meeting. Anglers are responsible for being well informed of all rules.

Eligible Fish: The only eligible fish are nominated in Table 3.1 Species and Prize. No more than 1 fish of each of the eligible species to be weighted by each entrant. The mystery fish will be announced at the briefing. All QLD Government recreational fishing rules for size and possession limits apply. Barramundi must not exceed 90cm in length. All Barramundi will be measured and weighed.

Prizes: Any prizes not claimed (won) may be used as door prizes, Juniors cannot win senior prizes, Juniors must be 16 or under on the first day of the competition.

Scoring: All fish must be weighed on the certified scale at the official weigh-in station, in the presence of the Angler entering the fish. All fish eligible for weigh-in must be weighed during the times and dates shown in 1. Schedule of Events (no late weigh-ins). Fish may have been iced down but not frozen. Weigh-in Cards must be presented at weigh-in. Tournament winners may be subjected to any equipment inspection or test. All fish must be weighed during weigh station open hours. No allowance for gilled or gutted.

Communications: The tournament committee will monitor channel 81 (Where applicable).

Weather Conditions: In the event of unsafe weather conditions, the tournament committee may choose to postpone the tournament until a later date. Captains (where applicable) are ultimately responsible for their crew and should make the decision as to safe sea conditions. Fall back dates are 7 days after the comp date.

Protests: Any protests concerning the conduct of an angler or rule violations must be filed in writing with the tournament committee no later than 5.00pm on the day of the final weigh-in.

Awards: Tournament winners will receive all prizes and be paid by direct debit; prizes will be presented at the presentation dinner. Only one major prize can be won by any angler per species. In the event of a tie-in weight, the winner will be determined by the earliest weigh-in time.

Refunds: At the discretion of the club.

Release of Liability: It is expressly understood that all participants in the Yorkeys Knob Boat Club (YKBC) and Yorkeys Knob Sport Fishing Club (YKSFC) Saltwater Classic enter at their own risk and that YKBC Inc or their officers and directors and all persons connected directly or indirectly with the operations of the tournament, or any sponsor of the tournament shall be exempt from any liability for slander, loss, damage, negligence, harm, injury or death suffered by any participant, entrant, sport-fisherman or their companions, boat captains, mates, crew members, guests, vessels, and equipment which may occur during the tournament. Any warranty claims relating to prizes must be directed to the relevant manufacturer.

4. Spearfishing Division

CHAMPION CATEGORY - SPEARFISHING

Note: Must be a 2-person team i.e. 2x adults or 1x adult and 1x junior

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4.1 Species

TOURNAMENT SPEARFISHING SPECIES				
Spangled Emperor	Reef Jack			
Coral Trout (All Species)	Mystery Fish			
Blackspot Tuskfish	Crayfish (All Species)			

4.2 Prizes

TOURNAMENT SPEARFISHING PRIZES					
Champion Team	\$1,000	+ Name on Trophy			
Runner Up Team	\$500	+ Individual Trophy			
Mystery Fish (Individual)	Diver Fins				
Junior Door Prize	Diver Fins				

ADDITIONAL RULES

Briefing: Each entrant must be present at briefing. The rules of this tournament may be amended verbally or in writing at the time of the meeting. Entrants are responsible for being well informed of all rules.

Eligible Fish: The only eligible fish are nominated in Table 4.1 Species. All fish and crayfish eligible for weigh-in must be weighed during the times and dates shown in 1. Schedule of Events (no late weigh-ins). Fish may have been iced down but not frozen. Weigh-in Cards must be presented at weigh-in.

Equipment:

- a. All fish must be captured by the competitor using rubber or compressed air speargun or similar device, or by hand spear.
- b. Fish speared whilst in traps, nets or on lines shall be ineligible for the weigh-in.
- c. No breathing aid other than a snorkel shall be permitted. Competitors must be immersed in the water at the time of spearing of any fish.
- d. Assisted catches are ineligible for any score. An assisted catch is one where another person contributed muscular power or equipment towards the catch.
- e. Remember to erect a diving flag in clear view on your vessel when you have divers in the water.

Scoring:

- a. Each team can weigh in 2 of each species per team not per angler for the total of the two days. The combine weights will determine the winner and runner up i.e. The champion team will be total weight.
- b. The meritorious fish isn't included in the total weight but a separate prize for any angler that captures the heaviest one. The meritorious fish will be announced at the briefing.
- c. All fish must meet Queensland Fishing Rules and Regulation for minimum and maximum sizes. Any fish that doesn't meet this will not be weighed.
- d. All fish must be weighed whole with gills and guts intact.
- e. All dive teams must report to the weigh-in station by the times and dates shown in 1. Schedule of Events. Late weigh in will not be accepted.
- f. Overnight Spearfishing is not permitted.

SAFETY

- Each entry to consist of a Team of two people i.e. 2x Adults or 1x Adult and 1x Junior.
- Dive One Up One Down Dive with a buddy and practice one up and one down. Watch your buddy dive down and return safely to the surface. Make eye contact, blackouts can occur 15 seconds after ascent. If you are diving with someone not as experienced as yourself, stay within their limits not yours.

<u>Tournament Committee decision is final on all matters, no correspondence will be entered into.</u>