

PATRONS CUP RULES 2007

1. The winning club shall hold the Patrons Cup for 11 months. It shall then be held for the remaining one month in the challenging clubhouse. Each club shall be responsible for conducting the competition on each alternate year.
2. The event will be held on the third Saturday in November with the following Sunday as the reserve day.
3. Each club will provide their own members with a copy of the rules.
4. Entry is open to all financial members of O.R.S.S.C and M.A.A.C only.
5. Charter boats are permitted, but the crews, if not members of either club, are not permitted to enter or fish in the competition. Charter boats must leave Ocean Reef or Hillary's and return bags to fish trucks at Ocean Reef and Hillary's ramps.
6. The challenging club must register a minimum of (30) members (males, females and juniors) before the annual competition can be held.
7. Each competitor may only weigh in one fish of each of the 20 nominated species of at least the minimum size as listed (see over). Bags containing more than one of each nominated species or containing species not nominated will be disqualified. Bags containing fish of less than the minimum length will be disqualified.
8. The winning club shall be calculated on a point system comprising 1 point per fish and 3 bonus points for each heaviest species. The maximum number of bags to be counted for each club shall be 40. A representative of each club shall attend each weigh-in scale.
9. In the event of a draw the club weighing in the greater number of heaviest nominated species wins. If each club has the same number of nominated species, then the club with the heaviest aggregate weight for the heaviest nominated species wins.
10. Undersize fish or protected species deposited in the weigh-in area will automatically disqualify the bag. No Port Jackson sharks, Wobbegongs or Gurnards.
11. Competitors may leave from Ocean Reef, Hillary's and M.A.A.C ramps. Start time is 6.30am with a weigh-in at the host club at 4.30pm.
12. Boats may not leave the marina until 6.30 a.m. To avoid congestion, boats are permitted to wait within a 200m radius outside the marina entrances until the 6.30 a.m. start but must not obstruct channels leaving commercial and other vessels free movement into, out of and through marinas.
13. If a strong wind warning has been issued in the 4.30am Perth local waters forecast for any time during the scheduled competition day up to 11.59pm, the competition is automatically cancelled for that day.
14. In the event of inclement weather, the competition start time may be delayed up to two hours and then postponed to the Sunday 18th November 2007. A competition can only be postponed once. If cancelled on this subsequent day, then the competition will be cancelled for the year.
15. A representative from each boat must sign-on each competitor before entering the competition. Sign-on can only occur at Ocean Reef and Hillary's ramps from 6.00am – 9.00am.
16. All fish must be placed in the freezer truck/trailer at Ocean Reef and Hillary's ramps by 3.30pm or the catch will not be accepted.
17. Boat pairing is recommended for safety reasons.
18. Competitors must sign-on and sign-off for obvious reasons. Sign-on is by entering all the boat's competitors on the supplied registration card at the sign-on point. Skippers to sign-off all their boat's competitors upon return.
19. All anglers must ensure that their catch is placed in a suitable strong natural fibre individual bag for weigh-in. Fish presented for weigh-in in non-natural fibre bags will be disqualified. Combined bags will be disqualified. All bags must be clearly identified with the individual's name and club.
20. The host club will dispose of all fish not collected by 15 minutes after the completion of the weigh-in.
21. The Field Day Officers from each club will constitute the Competition Committee and shall have the right to vary the competition arrangements to contribute to the smooth running of the event, if in their opinion, it is considered necessary.
22. No mutilated fish will be weighed in. However, gilled and gutted fish are acceptable. A.A.A rules to apply
23. Competitors are responsible for checking their weigh-in receipts at the weigh-in before leaving the scales.
24. Details of any dispute must be reported to the Field Day Officer with in ten (10) minutes of the completion of the weigh-in. The Disputes Committee shall adjudicate on all disputes and their decision will be final. The disputes committee shall consist of two members of each club excluding the Field Day Officer.
25. Boats with radios use 27.90 O.R.S.S.C or 27.91 M.A.A.C or 27.96 for chit chat between boats.
26. Boat equipment must comply with Department of Transport (Maritime Division) requirements.
27. All competitors taking part in the competition do so entirely at their own risk. The M.A.A.C or O.R.S.S.C committees will not be responsible for any loss or damage whatsoever sustained by any competitor to his or her person or effects.

PATRONS CUP

17th NOVEMBER 2007
(6.30am start)

M.A.A.C versus O.R.S.S.C

HOST CLUB – Marmion Angling & Aquatic Club

Reserve Day 18th November 2007

NOMINATED SPECIES AND SIZES FOR THE DAY (SIZES IN CENTIMETRES)

BALDCHIN GROPER	40	PIKE/SNOOK	30
BREAKSEA COD	30	QUEEN SNAPPER	41
FLATHEAD	30	SAMSON FISH	60
GARFISH	20	SHARK	60
HARLEQUIN	30	SKIPJACK	25
HERRING	20	SNAPPER-PINK	41
JEWFISH	50	SWEEP	30
KING GEORGE WHITING	28	TAILOR	30
LEATHER JACKET	25	TUNA OR BONITO	30
MACKEREL (Common)	20	WHITING	20

ALL FISH MUST BE PLACED IN THE FREEZER TRUCK/TRAILER AT THE OCEAN REEF AND HILLARYS RAMPS BY 3.30PM OR YOUR CATCH WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.

WEIGH-IN COMMENCES AT M.A.A.C. WEIGH-IN AREA AT 4.30PM