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Game & Sportfish
Club Inc.**



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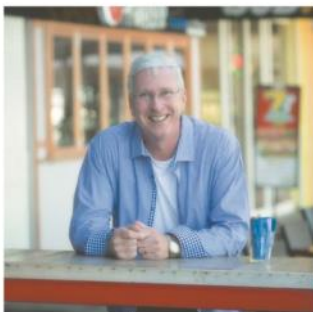
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David Barry with a nice Mahi Mahi he caught during the Mooloolaba Billfish Bash aboard 'Filthy'.

Brad Clayton on the left.



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Chairman's Report

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Hi All,

It's now only weeks away to our Australia Day 8 kg Tournament (Ray Thomason memorial) so get your teams and entry forms sorted. Details are in the Tackle Box but are also available on the web site (as is everything else you'll ever need to know). Been a lot of stick face action over the last few months so this one is shaping up to be a ripper tournament with a heap tagged...let's hope to keep Albert and Pauline busy in HQ. He might even wear out the "goo get another one"!

Big thanks to the Hamiltons for helping out with getting Santa to our Christmas weigh-in, there are a few photos in here somewhere so you can see all the fun we had. Thanks again to Greg Evans for the food and Mark and Nikki for helping Santa organise the presents, special mention to Janine and her new boyfriend for the amazing sweets☺.

The January 12th Club Meeting will feature a special presentation by Dr Julian Pepperell, with lots of time to ask plenty of questions. Dr Pepperell is one of Australia's best known marine biologists. He has written numerous scientific and popular articles on marine fishes and science, and is a recognised world authority on large oceanic fishes including the billfishes (marlin and sailfish), tuna and sharks.

Julian writes regularly for 'Bluewater Boats & Sportfishing', 'Tradeabout', 'Trailerboat' and 'Fish Life'. He has spoken at our club before and it was very well received. Members of other clubs are more than welcome to attend.

I hope you've all had a wonderful Christmas and end to 2015, all the best for 2016 guys... let's make it one to remember with a heap of club outings and get-togethers, even more fishing and fishing tales.

Looking forward to catching up with everyone at the meeting.

Keep a bend in it.

Greg (Skinny)



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Christmas Weigh-in

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Weighmaster's Report

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The weather for our final 2015 Sunday afternoon weigh-in barbeque and Christmas break-up was looking a bit grim in the morning, with the committee wondering whether to have it on the grass or the deck. Fortunately the sun came out and the wind died down a little. Santa worked out where we were and delivered the presents for the kids. We had a good selection of food and the beer and wine washed it down nicely. Another great afternoon.

With the bad weather over the weekend there were not many fish weighed in. The King family managed a few Bass up at Somerset and the Dohetys caught some Bream in the Pine. No fish of the month were caught so this month the prize jackpots to \$100. I was handed a few white sheets but with the holidays I wasn't able to get them to Noel to update the points for this month, (my apologies).

Still not many Billies being caught. Liquid Asset managed to tag a small Black Marlin on our way up to Mooloolaba for our Christmas break. We also caught a Wahoo and a Mahi Mahi, as did Sea Eagle. The wind has been shocking, keeping most boats tied up. Hopefully things will improve before the Australia Day Tournament. Happy New Year to everyone and tight lines.

Ralph

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Fish of the Month

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JANUARY:		Yellowfin Tuna		Whiting
MONTH	OFFSHORE SPECIES	PREVIOUS WINNER	INSHORE SPECIES	PREVIOUS WINNER
February	Mackerel	No winner	Cod	No winner
March	Mackerel Tuna	Jamain Seeto	Bream	Elizabeth Distel
April	Pearl Perch	Ron Lewis	Flathead	John Eagle
May	Sweetlip	No winner	Bass	Jacob Chain
June	Longtail Tuna	No winner	Bream	Andrew Doherty
July	Amberjack	No winner	Tailor	No winner
August	Pearl Perch	Noel Day	Cod	No winner
September	Snapper	Jamain Seeto	Bream	Andrew Doherty
October	Cobia	No winner	Flathead	No winner
November	Mahi Mahi	No winner	Bass	Noel Day
December	Wahoo	No winner	Mangrove Jack	No winner



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Club Weekend

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To win the money for the monthly nominated fish inshore or offshore species, simply weigh in the heaviest **Yellowfin Tuna** or **Whiting**. All fish weighed, regardless of whether they are in for the 'fish of the month' must be labelled with the angler's name and line class. To receive double club points, fish must be tagged or caught on the Club Weekend only and the cards correctly completed and handed in or fish weighed in at M.B.B.C. from 3.30pm to 4.30pm on the Sunday. Prizes for the heaviest 'fish of the month' will be awarded at the following club night.

Remember, club fishing weekend starts on midnight on Friday **8th January** finishing on **Sunday 10th January** at 3.30-4.30pm and the species are **Yellowfin Tuna** and **Whiting**. The next **Club Meeting** will be held on **Tuesday 12th January at 7.30pm**, and will include a chance to meet and chat to the famous writer, journalist and marine biologist Dr Julian Pepperell.



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Fish Caught

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On a recent trip out, Brad Clayton aboard Liquid Asset scored his first black marlin for the season, and others caught mahi mahi and wahoo.




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RAY THOMASON'S FISHING GEAR AUCTION

Items will be auctioned at the January meeting (Tuesday 12th January from 7.30pm at MBBC)

Some of the items to be auctioned are listed below (some pictures). Please come along to the meeting, make a bid and take some of this great gear home, it will also raise some much needed funds for Ray's family.

- Shimano Bait Runner 3500B & Daiwa Rod "Strike Force"
- TLD 30 Two speed & 8kg Gary Howard Rod "Interceptor"
- 7ft Rod "Azagale" AB384H Overhead 10kg
- 6'6ft Game Rod Steel rollers
- 5'6ft Wilson "Stroker" Rod 15-24kg
- 6ft Shimano Triton Beastmaster Rod
- 6ft Shimano Beastmaster Rod 8kg
- 2x 5 Draw storage boxes
- Flambeau Tacklebox
- Sidchrome Tacklebox
- 2x Boat Reels
- 9" Alvey Reel
- 2x Large Lures (NEW)
- Binoculars + Case (NEW)
- Assorted lures bags some with lures



For more information please
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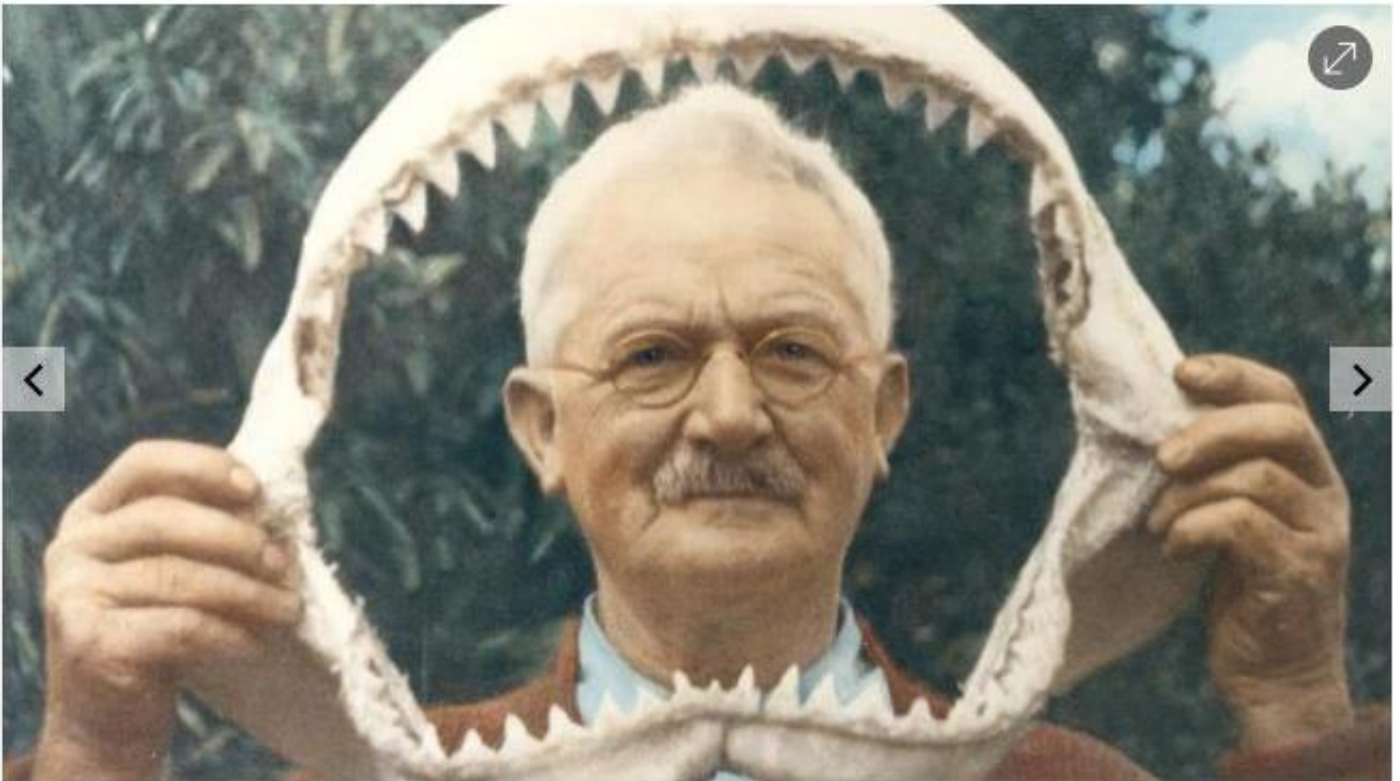
Alvey Reels News Article

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IT'S a Queensland icon up there with Fourx, Bundaberg Rum and the Ekka. Yet but for fate the famous Alvey fishing reel may never have been created.

When Charles Alvey stepped off the boat from England in 1910, he planned to start a business manufacturing pearl buttons. Unfortunately, his business partner died, leaving him without any funds for the new venture.

This article appears in the May edition of Queensland Business Monthly



Alvey Reels founder Charles Alvey.

After various odd jobs including fixing bicycles, he started making fishing reels with a primitive treadle lathe, betting the Sunshine State would never be short of anglers.

He was right. Almost a century later, the Alvey family is still making fishing reels, albeit with new technology and materials. The Queensland National Trust has listed Alvey as an icon of the state along with the Fourx man and the Ekka. Operating from a small workshop at St Lucia, Charles originally produced about 20 reels a week and would catch the tram into Brisbane to deliver them to the warehouse.

Charles bought his son Ken into the business in the 1920s as custom grew. Ken, a qualified pattern maker and draftsman, helped the business ramp up production and marketing efforts.

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When Charles dies in 1945 aged 80, his grandson Jack joined the company. Bruce and Glenn Alvey, the great grandsons of Charles, now run the family firm from a factory at Carole Park, shipping the reels around Australia and the world. Some of the original equipment used in Charles Alvey's day is still used in the factory, which employs 26 people.

Bruce Alvey notes that the company is so old that its original advertising slogan 'An Alvey reel fills the creel' is not readily understood today by anglers. A creel is a wicker basket used by anglers to hold fish.

Despite its iconic status, times have become increasingly tough for Alvey. It is facing a variety of headwinds including cheap imports from Asia, rising manufacturing costs, the economic downturn and restrictions on recreational fishing.

"This is probably the toughest time we have ever experienced as we face the rising costs of manufacturing, labour and rates," Alvey says.

Alvey credits the longevity of the family-run company to the quality of its products, with everything from the smallest nut to the largest component still manufactured in house. The design of fishing reels has not changed as much as the materials. The original Alvey reels were made of timber rather than steel or plastic.

But he notes that the obsession with quality may also have come back to haunt the company. Unlike most modern products, Alvey reels tend not to have an in-built obsolescence.

"We have probably made our reels too well over the years," Alvey says. "We have people using the same reel that their grandfather used. We really want them to buy a new one."

He says the retail market for fishing equipment is increasingly being dominated by "big box" retailers and this posed challenges for small manufacturers like Alvey.

"We pride ourselves on our products being made in Australia but some in the industry have shifted overseas," he says. "The retailers like the cheaper imports because they can mark them up."

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The economic downturn also meant people were reluctant to splash out on a top of the range Alvey Reel for \$500.

He says Queensland's \$1 billion recreational fishing industry still played a major role in the local economy, with an estimated 650,000 anglers in the state.

But the industry was facing its own challenges, the chief being government restrictions on where people can legally fish.

"Twenty years ago, you could go fishing where you liked," Mr Alvey said. "Now areas such as marine parks are closed and you can get a massive fine (for fishing in them)."

Alvey says that despite tough times the company remains committed to manufacturing in Queensland.

Resilience in fact has been a byword of the family for generations. During World War II, when materials were not available for fishing reels, the Alveys started making aircraft parts, gun switch boxes and steering boxes for landing barges.

"The family is very proud we have been through some tough times and are still here," he notes. "We just hope the economy will improve in the near future."



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Upcoming Tournaments

January 2016



tournament of champions

Hosted By: Bribie Island Game Fishing Club

Dates: 03/01/2016 - 10/01/2016

Website: www.bigfc.com.au

Contact Person: Barry Meredith

Contact Phone: 0402423681

Status: Dates Approved | QGFA Sanctioned



Gold Coast City Marina Light Tackle Masters 2016

Hosted By: Gold Coast Game Fish Club Inc.

Dates: 14/01/2016 - 17/01/2016

Website: www.gcgfc.com.au

Contact Person: Alisa Schofield

Contact Phone: 0420 848 592

Status: Dates Approved | QGFA Sanctioned



Australia Day Billfish Tournament

Hosted By: Redcliffe Peninsula Game & Sportfish Club Inc.

Dates: 22/01/2016 - 24/01/2016

Website: www.rpgsc.com.au

Contact Person: Greg Skinner

Contact Phone: 0405192305

Status: Dates Approved | OGFA Sanctioned

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15th!**



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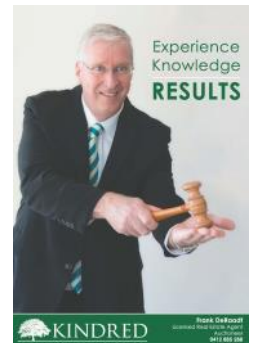
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2016 Australia Day Tournament

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Briefing Night
Fri 22nd at 6pm
Fishing
Sat 23rd & Sun 24th
Presentation
Sun 24th at 6pm



Entry forms must
be received by
6pm Fri 15th or
there will be a
late fee of
\$50 per boat

THE 8KG REDCLIFFE AUSTRALIA DAY BILLFISH TOURNAMENT



For details, contact

Greg Evans 0407 010 957 or Greg Skinner 0405 192 305

<http://www.rpgsc.com.au/2016-australia-day-challenge/>

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2016 Australia Day Tournament

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The Q.G.F.A. sanctioned Tournament aims to promote the sport of Gamefishing and encourage healthy competition between anglers, crews and clubs in a sportsman like manner while enjoying all the social aspects of this event.

This event will be hosted by the Redcliffe Peninsula Game & Sportfish Club Inc.

Venue will be the Moreton Bay Boat Club - Bird O'Passage Parade, Scarborough, QLD.

TOURNAMENT DATES & TIMES

FRIDAY 22nd of January – Registration 6pm & Briefing 7pm

SATURDAY 23rd of January – Day 1 - Fishing 7am to 4 pm

SUNDAY 24th of January – Day 2 - Fishing 7am to 3pm

Sunday Dinner & Presentation 6pm

TOURNAMENT FEES

Tournament entry fee include 3 meals, quality polo shirt,
boat berth, RED Levy and Last Man Standing

Senior Anglers - \$195 per person

Junior Anglers - \$140 per person

Late Fee \$50.00 per boat

LAST MAN STANDING PRIZES

Last Man Standing (reverse draw) prizes worth thousands of dollars to be won. Prizes will include a boat/motor/trailer package and many other wonderful prizes. Last Man Standing winners will be drawn each night. Quality prizes and trophies for category winners.

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TOURNAMENT DETAILS

MEMBERSHIPS

All anglers must be current financial members of a club affiliated with G.F.A.A. or Q.G.F.A and proof of membership may be required. Membership can be organised prior to registration on the night.

TOURNAMENT ENTRY

Entry forms must be received by the tournament committee by 6pm Friday 15th January. A late fee of \$50 per boat will be incurred for entries after this date. The organisers reserve the right to refuse entry to any person.

BRIEFING

It is compulsory for at least one member of each team to attend the briefing and Calcutta on briefing night.

HOME PORTS

Boats may depart from any port to proceed to the fishing grounds to commence fishing at 7.00am on Day 1.

All competing boats must return to the MBBC after cease fishing day 1, and depart from MBBC or Newport on Day 2. Boats may return to home port after cease fishing on day 2. Trailer boats may return to their home boat ramp after each day of fishing but be aware that fishing equipment may be required for inspection at the weigh station.

WEATHER AND BREAKDOWNS

No allowance will be made for fishing time lost during bad weather or breakdown. The Tournament Committee reserves the right to cancel or postpone fishing due to bad weather at any time.

FISHING GROUNDS

Fishing grounds will be between lines directly east of Point Cartwright to a line directly East of Point Lookout and all oceanic waters in between.

PRESENTATION AND LAST MAN STANDING

Each angler must be present at the Presentation and the Last Man Standing draws if he or she is to receive a prize or trophy. The Last Man Standing is a reverse lucky prize draw giveaway for the competing anglers randomly chosen. The order and number of prizes will be determined by the tournament committee and the tournament committee's decision is final.



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TROPHY CATEGORIES

CHAMPION ANGLER OVERALL –Perpetual Trophy
CHAMPION ANGLER MALE/FEMALE/JUNIOR
CHAMPION BOAT AND TEAM – Perpetual Trophy
CHAMPION BOAT AND TEAM 7M AND UNDER
CHAMPION BOAT AND TEAM OVER 7M
CHAMPION ANGLER BILLFISH DAY 1 DAY 2
CHAMPION ANGLER OTHER SPECIES
FIRST BILLFISH TAGGED
LAST BILLFISH TAGGED

RADIO SKEDS

Competing boats must have VHF radio. All skippers must keep radio sked sheets. Skeds will be on VHF21 at 10.03am, 1.03pm and 3.03pm for Day 1, and at 10.03am 12.03pm and 2.03pm for Day 2. Boats are to report name, grid position, strikes, hook ups, tags or captures, anglers name and species to the Game Fish Base. A penalty may apply for failure to respond to skeds. 1st Billfish tagged MUST be called in immediately.

BOAT LENGTH

For the purpose of the tournament, boat length overall to be determined from the measurement taken from the bow (excluding bowsprit) to the stern (excluding outboard pods). This measurement will be used to determine 7 metres and under, or over 7 metres.

WEIGH-IN

The weigh-in will be conducted at Moreton Bay Boat Club, Scarborough.
For Day 1 weigh-in will be between 4.30pm and 6.30pm. For Day 2 the weigh-in will be between 3.30pm and 5.30pm. Weigh-in outside these hours by arrangement only (only boats having fished overtime). All edible fish may be gilled and gutted and will attract 10% weight allowance. All record claims must be presented whole.

No points will be recorded unless capture forms are filled in correctly for both tagged and captured fish. To receive points, each angler must present their capture forms, tag cards and captures to the weighmaster in person and must remain with the weighmaster during weighing and recording. There will be a limit of three fish of any one species per angler per day that may be weighed. No fish are to be left at the weigh station. All unwanted fish must be disposed of in the correct manner. Points will be deducted for any infringements.

BOAT INSURANCE

All boats nominating to fish the Redcliffe Australia Day Billfish Tournament are required to have current boat insurance. Details of such insurance must be completed on the entry form. Should a boat not have insurance or not be able to provide evidence of insurance prior to the commencement of the tournament, that boat shall be excluded from participating in the tournament. All onboard safety remains the responsibility of the owner/skipper.

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FISHING RULES

1. Each team will consist of no more than 6 and no less than two anglers.
2. One line class of 8 kg will be fished and points will be scored accordingly.
3. A maximum of two rods per angler only at any one time, except when live baiting.
4. Live baiting - one rod per angler to be used and cannot be handled by others.
5. No live bait capture is permitted prior to commencement of fishing on day one.
6. Each angler to receive equal fishing opportunity.
7. Boat crew is not permitted to assist in any way other than to tag and release or capture the fish as per G.F.A.A rules. Points apply when tag is inserted.
8. Hook ups that go into overtime are permitted on day 1 and must be reported to game base prior to cease fishing. No overtime on day 2.
9. Tag points will apply to Billfish only. To be eligible for tag points, all Billfish must be tagged with NSW fisheries "Billfish only" tags. Tagging with any other tag will result in disqualification of the fish. Each Billfish tagged will score 750 points.
10. The only "other species" eligible for weighing are Yellowfin Tuna, Longtail Tuna, Mahi Mahi, Wahoo, Spanish Mackerel and Cobia and the capture must be equal to or greater than line class. A weigh limit of 3 of any one species per angler per day will apply.
11. Capture points are calculated as fish weight x 100 divided by line class (8 kg).
12. In the event of a tie, the first to attain the total score will be deemed as the winner.
13. The tournament committee will decide all trophy winners. The Club reserves the right to review the awarding of any trophy.
14. An angler must submit any protests relating to the tournament in writing no later than one hour after the close of the weigh-in on the day of the alleged infringement. Decision of the tournament committee is final.
15. Fishing area limits will be as per grid sheet supplied at the briefing. All vessels must log on and off with game fish base. In the event of a vessel returning early, they must notify game fish base.
16. Boat skipper or team captain must sign registration form and waiver form as part of their entry to the tournament. All boat owners/skippers MUST have their anglers and crew sign the waiver form attached.
17. Boats logging off for the day are deemed to have ceased fishing for that day.
18. G.F.A.A Rules and Regulations and Queensland Fisheries restrictions apply.
19. Skippers may manoeuvre the boat to assist the angler.

FUEL AND BERTHS

Fuel and ice will be available (details on briefing night). The MBBC Marina berths will be available to competitors on request.

AMENITIES

There are amenities available at the club including showers. Ice is available from the club bar.

MISCONDUCT

The Tournament Committee reserves the right at any stage of the tournament to disqualify or deduct points from individuals or teams who are deemed to have conducted themselves in a disrespectful manner and are deemed to have brought the sport of Gamefishing or the RPG&SC Inc. or the Moreton Bay Boat Club (MBBC) into disrepute. MBBC licensing regulations must be observed including appropriate dress codes and alcohol restrictions and noise limits. MBBC staff must be respected and directions followed. **No thongs in the club after 7pm.**

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2016 REDCLIFFE AUSTRALIA DAY BILLFISH TOURNAMENT REGISTRATION FORM

Vessel name:	Vessel Make:	Length:
Skipper/Owner Name:	Postal address:	
Mobile:	Email:	Berth required: Yes / No
Boat insurance details (Mandatory) Company:		
Policy No:		Expiry date:

Office use	Angler	Name	MF/J	Club	Shirt size	Office use
	1					
	2					
	3					
	4					
	5					
	6					
	Extra Crew					

Item	Amount	Cost	Total
Total number of senior anglers:		\$195.00	
Total number of junior anglers:		\$140.00	
Non fishing skipper/crew:		\$195.00	
Additional meals:		\$30.00	
2 Meal package:		\$50.00	
Extra shirts:		\$40.00	
Late entry fee:		\$50.00	
		Total cost payable	

Email registration forms secretary@rpqsc.com.au Contact Greg for other arrangements on 0407 010957

I wish to pay my entry with the following credit card: MasterCard Visa Cash/EFT

Card number: _____ Expiry date ____ / ____ / ____

Card holders name: _____

Signature: _____ Date: ____ / ____ / ____

All on board safety remains the responsibility of the skipper/owner. Waiver – We agree to the rules as published. In consideration of your accepting me/us as a competitor/guest (as the case maybe), I/we absolve the Redcliffe Game & Sportfish Club Inc., and its committee, officers and members and sponsors as such from any liability whatsoever arising and occurring or resulting from the tournament, and I/we hereby indemnify you and agree to keep you indemnified against all claims, damages, costs and loss that be claimed or awarded against you, or that you may suffer resulting from injury or loss to me/us or any of my/our invited invitees or licenses or guests or to any property of my/our invitees, licensees or guests. I/we accept that the decision of the committee in awarding the Last Man Standing prizes and all other trophies and prizes is that the discretion of the tournament committee and their decision is final.