

# MERCURY BAY GAME FISHING CLUB (INC)



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## **NOTICE OF 2023-24 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING SATURDAY 28th SEPTEMBER 2024 5.00pm**

### **Followed by Prizegiving**

***( You must be present to have a chance to win the  
Whitianga Diesel/Coastline Excavations T & R Cash Prize)***

### **AGENDA**

1. Apologies
2. Minutes of the Previous Annual General Meeting
3. President's Report
4. Financial Statements
5. Results of the Election of Officers and Committee for ensuing year
6. Appoint an Auditor
7. Vote on any Notices of Motion
8. Approve the committee's recommendation of subscriptions, fees and levies for the ensuing year
9. Consider any General Business

**MINUTES**  
**MERCURY BAY GAME FISHING CLUB INCORPORATED**  
**ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD AT THE CLUB ROOMS**  
**SATURDAY 30<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2023**  
**COMMENCING 5:05PM**

**PRESENT**

Lisa Wadsworth, Grant Wadsworth, Melissa Ford, Daniel Ford, Owen Laker, Josh Moore, Emma Gaunt, Mary Eagleton, Sarah Fussell, John O'Meara, Tina Clothier, Craig Clothier, Debbie Farrell, Bryce Hooton, Sue Hooton, Tim Hennessey, Karen Hennessey, Alan Proctor, Gordon McIvor, Lee Pudney, Ian Pudney, Annette Harris, Warren Harris, Ross Anderson, Sandy Anderson, Tania Christiansen, Walter Christiansen, Hanna Sharps, Raewyn Nicholson, Jim Nicholson, Anne Smal, Johan Smal, Eric Pampalone, Nicola Candy, Wayne McFarlane, Richard Hart, Brad Johnson, Pam Voigt, Anne McIvor, Jason Sherriff, Chris Webb, Vicki Webb, Mike Franklin, Doug Ray, Damian Percival, Reuben Percival, Rohan Percival, Lee Johnston, Kirsten Sherriff, Ken Buckthought, Vicki Buckthought, Tanya Patrick, Tony Croft, Kirstin Scarrott, Craig Scarrott, Poppy Richmond, Stephen Bremner, Sandie Powell, Michael Nicholson, Sarah Nicholson, Di Andrews, Bruce Andrews, Thomas Maxwell, AJ Russell, Michael Hoogendoorn, Kay Jackson, Peter Murray, Penny Murray, Matt Barnett, Mark Franklin, Rod Johnson, Maria Johnson, Andrew Verner, Thomas Boyd, Anthony Baskett, Mark Menefy, John Neighbours, Daniel Wilson, Barbara McDermott, Ian Boyack, Jonty Abrahamson.

After welcoming everybody to the 2023 Annual General, Gordon McIvor called for a minute of silence for members who had passed on during the year.

**APOLOGIES**

Dave Enright, Karen Johansen, Brook Johnstone, Rachel Johnstone, Scott Farrell, Neil Robertson, Sharon Robertson, Caroline Franklin, Nicky Barnett, Shane Hardy, Brent Watts, Fiona Watts, Karen O'Meara, Tim Pitcher, Sandra Pitcher, Margaret Neighbours, Rob Hendriks, Tony Fox, Val Fox, Joshua Heikell.

That apologies be accepted

Moved            Tim Hennessey            Seconded            Di Andrews

**MINUTES OF PREVIOUS ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD 10<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER 2023**

Accepted as a true and correct record

Moved            Warren Harris            Seconded            Michael Nicholson

**MATTERS ARISING**

Nil

## **PRESIDENTS REPORT**

Gordon McIvor pointed out that there had been ample opportunity for everyone to have read his report and that there were copies available in the room.

Accepted as read

Moved                      Warren Harris                      Seconded                      John Neighbours

## **FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

Gordon McIvor asked if there were any questions or comments regarding the Financial Statements and there were none.

That the Financial Statements be accepted as presented.

Moved                      John O'Meara                      Seconded                      Penny Murray

## **RESULTS OF THE ELECTION OF OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE FOR THE 2023-2024 YEAR**

Gordon McIvor advised that there had been an election for committee members this year. He read out the list of officers and committee members: Patron - Warren Harris, President – Gordon McIvor, Vice President – Anne Smal, Committee Members – Di Andrews, Dave Enright, Scott Farrell, Mark Franklin, Tim Hennessy, Brad Johnson, Doug Ray and Craig Scarrott.

Gordon thanked everyone for putting their names forward and congratulated the successful candidates on their election.

## **APPOINT AN AUDITOR**

That Michael Burt be appointed auditor for the financial year ended 30 June 2023

Moved                      Debbie Farrell                      Seconded                      Lisa Wadsworth

## **APPROVE THE COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION OF SUBSCRIPTIONS, FEES AND LEVIES FOR THE ENSUING YEAR**

Gordon McIvor explained that there was no recommendation from the committee that the subscriptions be increased.

## **GENERAL BUSINESS**

Gordon McIvor spoke briefly about the upcoming change of club manager. He explained that a suitable candidate had been found and that an employment agreement had been signed. Gordon said that those involved in the selection process were extremely pleased with the outcome. He said that we are just waiting for the successful candidate to give notice at his current job and then we can announce his name.

Gordon called for any other general business and there was none.

The meeting was declared closed at 5:11pm

A handwritten signature in blue ink, consisting of several fluid, overlapping strokes that are difficult to decipher as a specific name.

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Gordon McIvor  
President

# MBGFC President's 2023/24 Annual Report

## The Year That Was

After last season with its cyclones, South Easterlies and road closures it was great to have a summer that was conducive to boating and fishing.

The improved weather reflected in the number of fish caught; 230 bill fish compared to 167 the previous year. The number of Shortbill spear fish were well down 1 compared to 15 the year before as was Yellowfin Tuna at 6 compared to 55 the year before.

Although the percentage of marlin tagged was not quite as high as last year, 81 percent is still something we can be proud of, thank you to everyone who made the decision to tag and release their fish, this supports the moratorium that stops marlin being on the commercial catch list.

The leader board has been hotly contested again congratulations to the winners.

- Champion angler: Kelly Chambers
- Champion Boat: Rustler

Some notable catches this season:

- Junior angler James Davies a 98.2 kg Pacific Bluefin Tuna - junior and NZ record,
- Junior angler Jack Rogers 207.1kg Blue Marlin caught during the Kubota,
- Jason Sheriff's 12 Tagged and released Bill fish, congratulations to these anglers.

And Congratulations to Kelly Chambers who has been Awarded the New Zealand Sports Fishing Council, Old Man of the Sea Cup for Most Meritorious Catch and the 23-24 Angler of the Year. For her 300kg Broadbill (a world record claim) caught on 24kg of the year, and her 103kg striped marlin on 10kg line, several tag and released billfish and southern bluefin tuna to round of the season.

I would like to congratulate Club cup winners, pin certificate recipients and new club records holders.

## New Zealand Sport Fishing Council Club of The Year

MBGFC has been awarded the NZSFC 23/24 Club of the year. This is a prestigious award, and I want to recognise the contribution our members, volunteers, committee, staff, past and present that have created the award-winning club we can all be proud of.

## Tournament Wrap Up

All tournaments went ahead as scheduled except the no bait that had to be rescheduled due to the weather. All the Tournaments were well organised with good participation, a credit to the tournament convenors.

We saw the Junior Tournament take on a new format with a big gate prize. This proved very successful with entries increasing from 71 angler in 2023 to 132 anglers in 2024.

The Kubota Billfish Classic was another highlight of the year with boat entrants increased from 265 in 2023 to 420 boats in 2024. The change to the larger venue at the Northern reclamation by the Marina both accommodated the larger crowd and allowed a better public interaction.

### **The Commercial Health of The Club**

- While the business environment has remained challenging the club has shown a strong end of financial year net profit of \$103,346.00
- There has been a slight increase in our membership from 3131 to 3366.
- Our social media presence remains strong particularly during tournaments, with 20,020 followers on Facebook and 3900 on Instagram and our Facebook reach was 1.2 million and Instagram 122000.
- The outdated data base and tournament computer program I mentioned last year is almost resolved with the new system in the trial phase. We are looking forward to having this up and running for the coming seasons tournaments, allowing online entries, payments, alterations and confirmation.
- As an Incorporated society we have to reregister by April 2026 to meet the new Incorporated Societies Act , We along with enthusiastic volunteers Damian and Colleen Jaques are working through our constitution, line by line to meet that new standard, As our constitution has evolved over a long period of time the balance is to keep what we have now but bring it up to the new standard . One aspect of the new Act is that the responsibilities of committee members will be similar to that of a Company Director so good processes and governance will be even more important going forward. The process will be to get the new constitution to a draft stage, distribute it to the membership, seek feedback, and then have a series of workshops. With the aim to get a consensus and sign off at the 2025 AGM or possibly an EGM before that.

### **Regulatory**

The proposed Hauraki Gulf Marine Park Protection Bill will have a major impact on where we can fish. The Bill proposes to extent the Cathedral cove reserve and make 2 High Protection areas (reserves) out from the Alderman Islands; the northern protection area at 138 square kilometres and southern protection area 150 square kilometres. We made submissions opposing the creation of these reserves first in writing followed by an oral submission before the Parliamentary Environment select committee. Our submission was supported by other clubs and NZSFC.

We submitted that these reserves would have a significant financial impact to the region, that game fishing had no impact on the seabed these reserves propose to protect, and the gulf has far bigger issues, such as overfishing, destructive fishing methods and run off, in other words Oasis in a desert is not a solution.

Although it still has to work through the Parliamentary system, all that effort was probably in vain as the Select committee's decision is to leave the areas and designation of these reserves unchanged. Maybe if you have an opportunity, bring this up with your local Member of Parliament.

## **Club Governance**

As with any club there is a huge number of people that contribute to the success of a club. We have been fortunate again this year to have a committee that understands fishing and wants to promote sport fishing but also understands their governance role.

Special thanks to our VP Anne Smal her contribution to the club has been immense again this year. In particular, for the work she has put into the development of the new club fishing management software and continued progression of our financial management systems. Her attention to detail is setting the club up for the future.

We held 11 tournaments this year. A huge shout out to the people who put their hand up to be tournament conveners, without them tournaments just don't happen. Tournaments are a huge part of our club's identity, and this role is not always an easy one,

We have added two new tournaments for the 24-25 season; the revival of the Trailer Boat Tournament by popular demand, and a one-off Centennial tournament celebrating one hundred years since the first Marlin was weighed by the club on 26th February 1925.

## **The Kubota Has Moved On**

You could argue that the Kubota Tournament has become a victim of its own success and has grown to the point that it is too time consuming for a single volunteer to commit too.

Additionally, under The Gambling Act (Prize Competition) Game Rules 2004, fishing competitions that charge an entry fee and award prizes for the biggest fish caught are considered gambling. As an incorporated society, MBGFC is not permitted to directly compensate someone for organising the tournament. However, the club acknowledges the need for adequate reimbursement for the substantial workload required to stage this Tournament.

Following extensive internal discussions and consultation with Thomas Maxwell, the decision has been made for Tom to continue organising the Kubota independently. Tom's organisation will contract the necessary services from MBGFC, including weighmasters, recorders, and other essential roles back to the club.

Tom remains a dedicated member of our club, and we wish him every success in his future endeavours. MBGFC will provide any needed support to ensure the continued success of the tournament.

## **Our Club Is Our Volunteers**

There is no question that the heartbeat of our club is our volunteers.

We have 16 trained weigh masters who give their time freely often when they would rather be fishing themselves, thank you for your time, dedication and integrity.

Also thank you to all the volunteers whether it be helping put up tents, sell raffle tickets or driving the courtesy van, you make the running of the club so much easier and contributed to the success of the club.

Also, a big shout to the sponsors your contribution is huge and keeps the club viable and able to focus on our membership.

Thanks John Neighbours our past President for continuing in his role of editor and publisher of what I am told is his last yearbook.

### **Our Commercial Team**

I commented last year on our awesome staff and that is still the case I would also like to recognise the professionalism of our staff we are truly fortunate with the calibre of staff we have.

We have had a few staff changes this year

Firstly, our manager Alan Proctor Resigning on the 6<sup>th</sup> of December. Thank you, Alan, for your professionalism. You have left the club in good heart, and it was a pleasure working with you and we wish you all the best for the future.

It was also with pleasure that we welcomed John East as our Manager on 20<sup>th</sup> Nov, John has come to us from a sporting club background. Welcome John, it has been good working with you as you get settled in the role,

After 12yrs Pam Voigt has resigned from the office her knowledge of the club, processes and people will be missed as well as her famous Pavlovas. We wish Pam well in her retirement. Bar Manager Cecile has also left to go Cruising through the Pacific, and has been ably replaced by Carla, welcome aboard Carla. And a shout out to Caroline Franklin for all her tireless and passionate work in the office.

Finally thankyou to my wife Anne for your support and for the number of times you have had to rearrange our calendar to fit with club activities.

We all look forward to seeing both at the club and out on the water. Be safe and good health.

Gordon McIvor

President - MBGFC



**ELECTION OF OFFICERS & COMMITTEE  
COMMITTEE ATTENDANCES**

**October 2023 – September 2024 (11 Meetings)**

Gordon Mclvor	11	Anne Smal	11
Warren Harris	7	Mark Franklin	9
Scott Farrell	6	Doug Ray	8
Brad Johnson	10	Dave Enright	6
Tim Hennessey	9	Diana Andrews	11
Craig Scarrott	10	John East	10
Alan Proctor	2		

**NOMINATIONS FOR 2024 -2025 POSITIONS**

**Patron:** Warren Harris  
**President:** Gordon Mclvor  
**Vice President:** Anne Smal

**Committee:**

Committee to be confirmed following the Election.

Notice of Motion to be voted on the 2024 AGM

We would like to move that Scott and Debbie Farrell be approved as Life Members of the Mercury Bay Game Fishing Club (Inc). For services to the club over a large number of years, including but not limited to extensive ground and maintenance work, working bees, long standing member of Committee (Scott) and useful liaison with the local Council.

Much of the work that these two have done over the years goes unseen but has tremendous value to the club and this life membership would be an appropriate recognition of their services.

This is evident by the calibre of the people that indicated strong support of this nomination including many past Committee Members and Club Management.

Nominated by:   
Gordon McIvor

Seconded by:   
John Neighbours

## PRIZEGIVING

The following lists contain the names of members who will be awarded certificates, plaques, pins, or trophies, at Prizegiving. T&R certificates will be available at the Office for collection.

Included are the Whitianga Diesel/Coastline Excavations Tagging Club contenders for \$5000. (You must be present to claim the Tagging Club prize). This draw will conclude Prizegiving.

If your name appears, please make every effort to attend. If you are unable to attend, your award will be available at the Office for collection.

## CLUB RECORDS SET IN 2023-24

Date	Angler	Boat Name	Species	Weight	Line
20.07.23	Tanya Patrick	Maximus	Southern Bluefin Tuna	45.36kg	24kg
04.02.24	Harish Giri	Opportunity 2	Skipjack Tuna	8kg	24kg
06.02.24	Kathy McDowell	Catalina	Mahimahi	18.24kg	37kg
11.01.24	Katherine Sieling	Sambuca	Mahimahi	16.08kg	24kg *
12.01.24	James Davies (J)	Asylum	Pacific Bluefin Tuna	98.20kg	37kg *
13.02.24	Osman Emer	Kawailani	Mahimahi	15.5kg	60kg *
14.01.24	Kelly Chambers	Ruckus	Striped Marlin	103kg	10kg
15.04.24	Kelly Chambers	Ruckus	Broadbill	300kg	24kg **
18.01.24	Nick Walters (J)	Silver Lining	Mahimahi	9.88kg	24kg
21.02.24	Mark Franklin	Payback	Kahawai	3.20kg	6kg
22.03.24	Rebecca Trethowen	Sirius	Broadbill	235.5kg	60kg
23.02.24	Caelen Gubb (J)	Sea Sic	Skipjack Tuna	4.77kg	4kg

\* Denotes a New Zealand Record

\*\* Denotes a pending World Record

## PIN FISH 2023-24

### Heavy Tackle

Date	Angler	Vessel	Specifies	Weight	Line
18.07.23	Luke Findlay	38° South	Southern Bluefin Tuna	46.6kg	24
30.07.23	Ricky Buttery	Maximus	Southern Bluefin Tuna	83.86kg	24
31.07.23	Kirsten Sherriff	Rustler	Broadbill	118.5kg	60
06.08.23	Ian Croft	Mad Max	Southern Bluefin Tuna	89.02kg	60
05.01.24	Daniel Wilson	Shamrock	Broadbill	149.7kg	60
07.01.24	Tanya Patrick	Maximus	Striped Marlin	122.8kg	24
12.01.24	James Davies	Asylum	Pacific Bluefin Tuna	98.20kg	37
14.01.24	Rebecca Trethowen	Sirius	Blue Marlin	121.4kg	60
05.02.24	Paul Verryt	Arcadia	Blue Marlin	175.2kg	37
18.02.24	Luke Parkinson	Kalevu	Blue Marlin	192.8kg	37
14.03.24	Harish Giri	Celebre	Blue Marlin	226.8kg	37
14.03.24	Bryce Norris	Nevagivup	Yellowfin Tuna	32.26kg	24
22.03.24	Rebecca Trethowen	Sirius	Broadbill	235.5kg	60
15.04.24	Kelly Chambers	Ruckus	Broadbill	300kg	24

### Light Tackle

Date	Angler	Boat Name	Specifies	Weight	Line
21.10.23	Jim Nicholson	Vamos	Snapper	8.33kg	6
21.10.23	Michael Nicholson	Vamos	Snapper	8.27kg	8
21.10.23	Jim Nicholson	Vamos	Kingfish	11.84kg	6
05.11.23	Sam Clothier	Pearl Miner	Kingfish	17.16kg	6
12.01.24	Tom Bennett	Seven Wonders	Snapper	9kg	8
14.01.24	Kelly Chambers	Ruckus	Striped Marlin	103kg	10
17.02.24	Jeremy Waterer	Mercy	Skipjack	4.36kg	2
19.02.24	Michael Nicholson	Vamos	Snapper	3.88kg	2
19.02.24	Jeremy Waterer	Mercy	Trevally	1.86kg	1
19.02.24	Markus Wunderlich	Mercy	Kahawai	1.82kg	1
20.02.24	Jim Nicholson	Vamos	Snapper	8.18kg	4
22.02.24	Michael Nicholson	Vamos	kahawai	1.87KG	1
22.02.24	Kylie Phillips	Relief	Kingfish	5.9kg	4
22.02.24	Jarrad Hill	Relief	Kingfish	9.94kg	8
23.02.24	Caelen Gubb (J)	Sea Sic	Skipjack	4.77kg	4
24.02.24	Markus Wunderlich	Mercy	Snapper	2.33kg	1
24.02.24	Kieron Kerr	Maple Leaf	Skipjack	4.20kg	3

### NZSFC 5:1 CERTIFICATES

<b>Date</b>	<b>Angler</b>	<b>Vessel</b>	<b>Specifies</b>	<b>Weight</b>	<b>Line</b>
07.01.24	Tanya Patrick	Maximus	Striped Marlin	122.8kg	24kg
23.02.24	Maz Dunn	Smuggler	Striped Marlin	128.10kg	24kg
14.03.24	Kevin Taylor	Nevagivup	Blue Marlin	230.50kg	37kg
14.03.24	Harish Giri	Celebre	Blue Marlin	226.80kg	37kg
16.03.24	Jack Rogers	True Lies	Blue Marlin	207.10kg	37kg
18.02.24	Luke Parkinson	Kalevu	Blue Marlin	192.80kg	37kg
08.02.24	Paul Verryt	Mile Zero	Blue Marlin	188.30kg	37kg
14.02.24	John Walter	Rere	Blue Marlin	173.80kg	24kg

### NZSFC 10:1 CERTIFICATES

<b>Date</b>	<b>Angler</b>	<b>Vessel</b>	<b>Specifies</b>	<b>Weight</b>	<b>Line</b>
14.01.24	Kelly Chambers	Ruckus	Striped Marlin	103kg	10kg
15.04.24	Kelly Chambers	Ruckus	Broadbill	300kg	24kg

### FIRST FISH OF THE SEASON IN NZ 2023-2024

<b>Date</b>	<b>Angler</b>	<b>Vessel</b>	<b>Species</b>	<b>Weight</b>	<b>Line</b>
12.01.24	James Davies	Asylum	Pacific Bluefin Tuna	98.20kg	37kg

### HEAVIEST FISH OF THE SEASON IN NZ 2023-2024

<b>Date</b>	<b>Angler</b>	<b>Vessel</b>	<b>Species</b>	<b>Weight</b>	<b>Line</b>
12.01.24	James Davies	Asylum	Pacific Bluefin Tuna	98.20kg	37kg
06.02.24	Kathy McDowell	Catalina	Mahimahi	18.24kg	37kg

## WHITIANGA DIESEL/COASTLINE EXCAVATIONS TAGGING CLUB

Once again a big thanks go out to Jason & Kirsten Sherriff from Whitianga Diesel and Rod & Maria Johnson from Coastline Excavations, one lucky angler will take away \$5000, however, you must be present at Prizegiving to claim the money. Congratulations to all the anglers that are in the draw.

1	Tony Northcott	56	Stefan Gilmour
2	Brent Rowe	57	Dana Ohlson
3	Daniel Wilson	58	Daniel Wilson
4	Phillip Holland	59	Jason Sherriff
5	Todd Van Vlerken	60	Jason Sherriff
6	Jade Davies	61	Joe Steel
7	Alana Baker	62	Ben Lorimer
8	Anthony Baskett	63	Blake Wilkins
9	Grant Kennedy	64	Denise Knutson
10	Stephen Bremner	65	Jacqui Groves
11	Daniel Wilson	66	Ross Knutson
12	Greg Catley	67	Denise Knutson
13	Hayden Thomson	68	Dallas Millard
14	Riley Savill	69	Joe Steel
15	Alex Everetts-Jones	70	Bryan Woodall
16	Ashley Croft	71	Dallas Millard
17	Josh Heikell	72	Jayden Green
18	Kylie Phillips	73	Kathy Sieling
19	Wayne McGregor	74	Matt Crawford
20	Nicola Candy	75	Melissa Ford
21	Cooper Mohan	76	Melissa Ford
22	Daniel Wilson	77	Rebecca Trethowen
23	Flynn Wilkinson	78	Karl Morgan
24	Jemma Laker	79	Paul Clout
25	Louis Twyman	80	Stephen Sanson
26	Scott Manning	81	Brent Rogers
27	Kathy McDowell	82	Brent Rogers
28	Kathy McDowell	83	Jarrad Hill
29	Marc Black	84	Bryan Medcalf
30	Michael Connor	85	Daniel Wilson
31	Anne Mclvor	86	Kylie Phillips
32	Lee Johnston	87	Kylie Phillips
33	Lee Johnston	88	Brent Rogers
34	Alana Baker	89	Rebecca Trethowen
35	Hannah Greenville	90	Harris Gemmell
36	Georgia Rowe	91	Tony Tucker
37	Joe Steel	92	Corey Jensen
38	Paul Babida	93	Daniel Wilson
39	Paul Babida	94	Harris Gemmell
40	Daniel Wilson	95	Dewald Kapp
41	Ian Gilmour	96	Ashlee Tenech

42	Jody Verryt	97	Bevan Miller
43	Ken Rowe	98	Bevan Wilson
44	Rachel Johnstone	99	Brad Cummins
45	Rachel Johnstone	100	Craig Scarrot
46	Stefan Gilmour	101	Dave McKelvie
47	Tanya Patrick	102	Dean Cook
48	Daniel Wilson	103	Greg Sommerville
49	Donna Smyth	104	Mark Price
50	Jack Rogers	105	Judah Dunconson
51	Jacqui Groves	106	Lee Ter Huurne
52	Lee Johnston	107	Paul Golder
53	Markus Wunderlich	108	Tony Tucker
54	Rod Johnson	109	Jaxon Walker
55	Sam Robinson		

## T & R CERTIFICATES

All the anglers in the Whitianga Diesel/Coastline Excavations Tagging Club will be awarded T & R Certificates.

The following anglers will also be awarded T & R Certificates for other species or for striped marlin tagged outside local waters or not complying with all Club rules.

### **Striped Marlin**

Grace Bell  
Tom Maxwell  
Jason Sherriff x 6  
Liz Connor x2  
Bob Vernon  
Alana Baker x2  
Glen Bradley  
Michael Connor  
Kelly Chambers x6  
William Sager  
Luke Parkinson  
Shannon Chambers  
Jody Verryt  
Bryce Healey  
Matt Parris x2  
Nicola Candy x4  
Jamie Nisbet  
Tom Bennett  
James Cutfield

### **Blue Marlin**

Kirsten Sherriff  
Anthony Baskett

### **Broadbill**

Jason Sherriff x4  
Matt Parris

### **Hamerhead Shark**

Bruce Nisbet

### **Southern Bluefin Tuna**

Ricky Buttery x3  
Ian Croft x3  
Tony Croft  
Nick Stack x 6  
Kelly Chambers

### **Mako Shark**

Tony Croft

**NZSFC NATIONALS**  
**17<sup>TH</sup> – 24<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2024**

**Section One:**

**Team Trophies : NZ Wide (Top Team with the most points from the top scoring fish from each of the 13 species)**

Mahimahi	3 <sup>rd</sup> Smuggler	66.6pts
Skipjack	2 <sup>nd</sup> Maple leaf	376.67pts
Kingfish	2 <sup>nd</sup> Vamos	537.50pts

**Section Two: NZ Champion Angler (Points for Single Fish)**

Broadbill	1 <sup>st</sup> Jason Sherriff	600.00pts
Kingfish	2 <sup>nd</sup> Michael Nicholson	226.67pts
	3 <sup>rd</sup> Michael Nicholson	191.17pts
Mahimahi	2 <sup>nd</sup> Harris Gemmell	66.60pts
Skipjack	1 <sup>st</sup> Jeremy Waterer	218.00pts
	3 <sup>rd</sup> Kieron Kerr	189.00pts

**Section Three: NZ Champion Line Weight Angler (Single Fish)**

Kahawai	1 <sup>st</sup> Mark Franklin	6kg line	3.10kg
	3 <sup>rd</sup> Paul Morgan	4kg line	2.24kg
Mahimahi	2 <sup>nd</sup> Harris Gemmell	15kg line	9.99kg
Skipjack	1 <sup>st</sup> Jeremy Waterer	2kg line	4.36kg
	3 <sup>rd</sup> Kieron Kerr	2kg line	3.78kg
	3 <sup>rd</sup> Kieron Kerr	3kg line	4.20kg
	2 <sup>nd</sup> Caelen Gubb	4kg line	4.77kg
	3 <sup>rd</sup> Rhys Dewhurst	6kg line	4.47kg
Snapper	3 <sup>rd</sup> Michael Nicholson	2kg line	3.88kg
	1 <sup>st</sup> Jim Nicholson	4kg line	8.18kg
	3 <sup>rd</sup> Michael Nicholson	4kg line	5.55kg
	1 <sup>st</sup> Mark Phillips	6kg line	7.73kg
	2 <sup>nd</sup> Rachel Johnstone	8kg line	4.94kg
	2 <sup>nd</sup> Markus Wunderlich	10kg line	6.16kg
Striped Marlin	1 <sup>st</sup> Maz Dunn	24kg line	100.20kg
	2 <sup>nd</sup> Stafford Moody	24kg line	113
.10kg			
Trevally	2 <sup>nd</sup> Jeremy Waterer	1kg line	1.86kg
Kingfish	2 <sup>nd</sup> Kylie Phillips	4kg line	5.90kg
	1 <sup>st</sup> Michael Nicholson	6kg line	13.60kg
	2 <sup>nd</sup> Michael Nicholson	6kg line	11.47kg
	3 <sup>rd</sup> Jarrad Hill	8kg line	9.94kg



**Section Four: NZ Champion Broadbill Angler (All Points Scoring Fish)**

3 <sup>rd</sup>	Jason Sherriff	2400pts
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**Section Six: T & R (Most Tagged Fish)**

Broadbill	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Jason Sheriff	4
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**Section Nine: NZ Junior Champion Angler**

Individual Angler Striped Marlin	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Jayden Green	600pts
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**Section Eleven: Interclub (Top Five Points Scoring Fish)**

Blue/Black Marlin	3 <sup>rd</sup>	MBGFC	1602.16pts
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Skipjack (Wasabi Trophy)	1 <sup>st</sup>	MBGFC	802.92pts
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Striped Marlin	2 <sup>nd</sup>	MBGFC	3000pts
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Kingfish (NZ Fishing News Trophy)	1 <sup>st</sup>	MBGFC	809.25pts
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**Section Thirteen: Varta Cup (Top Three Points Scoring Fish)**

Nationals:	1 <sup>st</sup>	Counties	2368.25pts
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Tauranga	1835.14pts
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Waihou Bay	1800.00pts
	4 <sup>th</sup>	New Plymouth	1800.00pts
	5 <sup>th</sup>	MBGFC	1800.00pts

Regional (Zone 3 – Coromandel)	1 <sup>st</sup>	Mercury Bay	1800.00pts
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**Section Fourteen A: Top Team From Each Club (Highest Points Scoring Fish of each of the 13 species)**

1 <sup>st</sup>	Relief	1713.00pts
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Rustler	1200.00pts
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Kalevu	1121.08pts

**Section Fourteen A: Top Team From Each Region (Zone 3 Coromandel) - (Highest Points Scoring Fish of each of the 13 species)**

1 <sup>st</sup>	Relief	1713.00pts
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## NZSFC YOUTH NATIONALS 2024

### SECTION A - CHAMPION NEW ZEALAND YOUTH ANGLERS HIGH SCHOOL - KINGFISH

2<sup>nd</sup> Caelen Gubb 118.67pts

### SECTION A - CHAMPION NEW ZEALAND YOUTH ANGLERS PRIMARY - SKIPJACK & SLENDER TUNA

1<sup>st</sup> Koby Maxwell 97.5pts

### SECTION B - NZ CHAMPION ALL TACKLE YOUTH ANGLER HIGH SCHOOL - KAHAWAI

3<sup>rd</sup> Kayden TeManu 1.97kg

### SECTION B - NZ CHAMPION ALL TACKLE YOUTH ANGLER HIGH SCHOOL - KINGFISH

2<sup>nd</sup> Masen Schlaepfer 19.22kg

### SECTION B - NZ CHAMPION ALL TACKLE YOUTH ANGLER HIGH SCHOOL - SNAPPER

1<sup>st</sup> Lexi Ford 8.37kg

3<sup>rd</sup> Kate Stables 7.60kg

### SECTION B - NZ CHAMPION ALL TACKLE YOUTH ANGLER PRIMARY - KAHAWAI

1<sup>st</sup> Hunter Nicholson 2.05kg

### SECTION B - NZ CHAMPION ALL TACKLE YOUTH ANGLER PRIMARY - SKIPJACK & SLENDER TUNA

1<sup>st</sup> Koby Maxwell 5.85kg

2<sup>nd</sup> Koby Maxwell 5.54kg

### SECTION B - NZ CHAMPION ALL TACKLE YOUTH ANGLER PRIMARY - SNAPPER

1<sup>st</sup> Ryder Hamilton 8.49kg

### SECTION E - T&R PRIMARY STRIPED MARLIN

1<sup>st</sup> Jaxon Walker 1 fish

### SECTION F TOP CLUB - INTERCLUB COMPETITION

5<sup>th</sup> Mercury Bay Game Fishing Club 1159.17pts

### SECTION G CLUB CHAMPION ANGLER HIGH SCHOOL

Mercury Bay Game Fishing Club

1<sup>st</sup> Caelen Gubb 183pts

2 <sup>nd</sup>	Jesse Hayward	166.7pts
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Lexi Ford	165.33pts

**SECTION G CLUB CHAMPION ANGLER PRIMARY**

**Mercury Bay Game Fishing Club**

1 <sup>st</sup>	Jason Walker	600pts
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Hunter Nicholson	343pts
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Levi Nicholson	266.7pts

## 2023-2024 TROPHY WINNERS

<b>SOMERVELL CUP</b> First Gamefish of Season	18.07.23 Luke Findlay 46.6kg SBT 24kg line
<b>PEACHEY-GARDINER TROPHY</b> First Gamefish of Season by Lady Angler	20.07.23 Tanya Patrick 45.36kg SBT 24kg line
<b>WINTER TROPHY</b> Gamefish Scoring Most Points during Winter Season	30.07.23 Ricky Buttery 349 pts 83.86kg SBT 24kg line
<b>FRED FORDE CUP</b> First Billfish of Season	31.07.23 Kirsten Sherriff 118.5kg Broadbill
<b>MARJORIE DAW CUP</b> First Marlin of Season - Non Charter Launch	20.12.23 Mile Zero T&R S/Marlin
<b>PRESIDENTS TROPHY</b> First Marlin of Season by Lady Angler	20.12.23 Nicola Candy Striped Marlin Est 100kg
<b>ROWLEY SMITH TROPHY</b> Skipper of Vessel Catching First Broadbill of Season	31.07.23 Jason Sherriff / Rustler
<b>TUNA TROPHY</b> Heaviest Tuna during Tuna Tournament	12.01.24 James Davies / Pacific Bluefin Tuna 98.2kg
<b>KILWELL TROPHY</b> Heaviest Marlin during Mercury Bay Open	Lee Johnston / Blue Marlin 178kg
<b>MISS NEW ZEALAND TROPHY</b> Lady Angler Scoring Most Points during Mercury Bay Open	Kylie Phillips 1101pts
<b>FRANK BROWN MEMORIAL TROPHY</b> Skipper of Champion Team in Mercury Bay Open	Mark Phillips / Relief
<b>CONNIE SIMONS MEMORIAL TROPHY</b> Most Points Scored during Nationals – Mercury Bay v Tairua-Pauanui	Mercury Bay
<b>NZBGFC TROPHY</b> Team Scoring Most Points during Nationals	Relief 1800pts
<b>JACKSON CUP</b> Champion Team in Light Tackle Tournament (open)	Mercy 902pts
<b>THE CLASSIC CUP</b> Team Catching Heaviest Billfish during Kubota Billfish Classic	Nevagivup 230.5kg Blue Marlin
<b>JUNIOR SNAPPER TROPHY</b> Heaviest Snapper during Junior Tournament	Ryder Hamilton 8.49kg

**AMARILLO CUP**

Heaviest Tuna during Ladies Tournament

Erin Burns 4.16kg Skipjack

**LADIES BLUE HEAVIEST BILLFISH TROPHY**

Heaviest Billfish During Ladies Blue

Sirius Broadbill 235.5kg

**LADIES BLUE TAG & RELEASE TROPHY**

Most Tag & Release Billfish during Ladies Blue

Relief 2 BL & 1 SM (3)

**LADIES BLUE HEAVIEST TUNA TROPHY**

Heaviest Tuna during Ladies Blue

Relief 11.54kg Albacore

**LADIES BLUE OVERALL TROPHY**

Champion Team in Ladies Blue

Sirius 1495pts

**HOLLINS CUP**

Last Marlin of Season

Tom Bennett T/R Striped Marlin 24.04.24

**COLLIER TROPHY**

Last Marlin of Season in Local Waters

Jaxon Walker T/R Striped Marlin 18.04.24

**JOHN BURNS TROPHY**

Heaviest Gamefish of Season

Kelly Chambers 300kg Broadbill

**10:1 TROPHY**

Heaviest Fish Weighing Ten Times Breaking Strain of Line

Kelly Chambers 300kg Broadbill on 24kg line

**WISEMANS CUP**

Launch Catching Heaviest Gamefish of Season

Ruckus

**LADY JOCELYN CUP**

Heaviest Gamefish of Season by Lady Angler

Kelly Chambers 300kg Broadbill

**McGEADY CUP**

Heaviest Gamefish of Season Caught on Light Tackle

Kelly Chambers 103kg striped marlin on 10kg

**PAUL BARRETT MEMORIAL TROPHY**

Heaviest Broadbill of Season

Kelly Chambers Broadbill 300kgs

**STEVENSON TROPHY**

Heaviest Billfish of Season Excluding Black or Striped Marlin

Kelly Chambers Broadbill 300kgs

**WINSTANLEY CUP**

Heaviest Marlin of Season by Local Angler

Lee Johnston / Blue Marlin 178kg

**ARTHUR TAYLOR MEMORIAL TROPHY**

Heaviest Striped Marlin of Season

Maz Dunn Smuggler 128.10kg

**LISTER DIESEL CUP**

Striped Marlin Scoring Most Points

Kelly Chambers 1030pts

**TISDALL CUP**

Heaviest Striped Marlin of Season by Lady Angler

Tanya Patrick 122.8kg

**SUNBIRD TROPHY**

Heaviest Tuna of Season

James Davies 98.2kg pacific blue

**HOWARD MADILL MEMORIAL CUP**

Tuna Scoring Most Points

Ricky Buttery 349 pts

**ROKSTAD CUP**

Heaviest Yellowfin Tuna of Season

Bryce Norris 32.26kg

**MURRAY FAMILY CUP**

Heaviest Kingfish of Season

Joel Mitchell 22.82kg

**H.F. ALLOWAY CUP**

Kingfish Scoring Most Points by Lady Angler

Kylie Phillips 5.9kg on 4kg line 148pts

**HAROLD BEALE MEMORIAL TROPHY**

Kingfish Scoring Most Points Caught on Light Tackle

Sam Clothier 17.16kg on 6kg line 286pts

**MAHIMAHI TROPHY**

Heaviest Mahimahi of Season

Kathy McDowell 18.24kg

**WHITIANGA HOTEL TROPHY**

Kahawai Scoring Most Points

Michael Nicholson 1.87kg on 1kg line 187pts

**ROY DALE TROPHY**

Heaviest Snapper of Season

Jason Riedinger 9.23kg

**HUGHES JUNIOR CUP**

Heaviest Gamefish of Season by Junior Angler

Jack Rogers 207.1kg Blue Marlin

**VERCOE CUP**

Most Meritorious Catch by Junior Angler

Jack Rogers 207.1kg Blue Marlin on 37kg

**DR. MACKERETH CUP**

Gamefish Scoring Most Points by Junior Angler

Jack Rogers 207.1kg Blue Marlin / 560pts

**TEMPEST CUP**

Heaviest Tuna of Season by Junior Angler

James Davies Pacific Bluefin Tuna 98.2kg

**MATTHEW WHITFORD MEMORIAL TROPHY**

Heaviest Snapper of Season by Junior Angler

Ryder Hamilton 8.49kg

**KERR TROPHY**

Small Fry Angler Scoring Most Points for Season

Hunter Nicholson 903pts (8)

**CORBANS WINES TROPHY**

Launch Catching Most Billfish

Rustler (18) 7BB 1BL 10SM

**TICKLE PINK TROPHY**

Launch Releasing Most Billfish

Rustler (17)

**SHIRAZ CUP**

Skipper of Launch Scoring Most Points in Local Waters on Heavy Tackle

Nathan Wilson / Shamrock 5269pts

**HUGHES & COSSAR TROPHY**

Non Charter Launch Scoring Most Points for Season

Rustler 7848pts

**FRANK SCALE CUP**

Mercury Bay Based Charter Launch Scoring Most Points for Season

Razorback 900pts

**HOOPER CUP**

Angler Scoring Most Points for Season

Kelly Chambers 5897pts

**KILWELL SPORTS INTERCLUB TROPHY**

Heaviest Snapper - Interclub Zone 3

MBGFC

**TROPHIES NOT WON**

**ROSSCRETE CUP**

First Black Marlin of Season

**JP CRAWFORD CUP**

Yellowfin Tuna Scoring Most Points caught on Light Tackle

**McQUILLAN CUP**

Heaviest Billfish During Ladies Tournament

**MERCURY BAY PHARMACY CUP**

Team Releasing Most Billfish During Ladies Tournament

**TROPHY RETIRING**

**STAR TREK & CFM RADIO STATION TROPHY**

Team Releasing Most Billfish during Mercury Bay Open