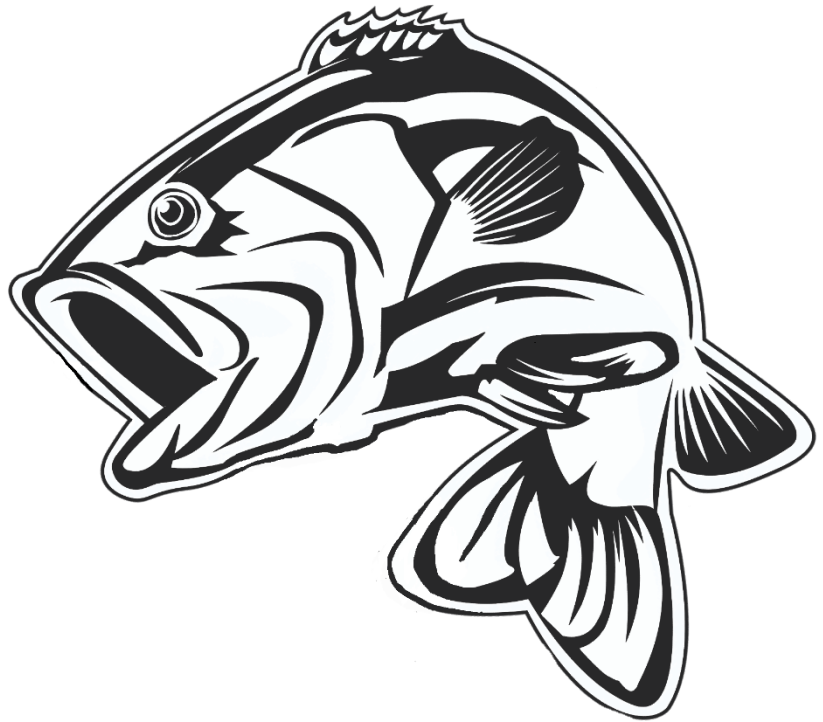


# RBAFC Competition Rules 2024

## Beach Trips

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## **1. General**

- 1.1. The Committee will schedule the number and date of the beach trips for the current year.
- 1.2. The Beach trip Coordinator will determine the book-in date for the closure of nominations for each trip.
- 1.3. The Club Executive shall set the fees for attendance at the beach trips.
- 1.4. The Beach Trip Coordinator shall collect all fees payable for the trip prior to the weigh out meeting referenced below.
- 1.5. **All competitors taking part in any outing are expected to conduct themselves in an honest and respectful manner and promote the objectives of the club.**

## **2. Nominations**

- 2.1. To be eligible to attend the trip and enter the competition, each member must do the following.
- 2.2. Beach Trip bookings can be made on the club App or Webpage. In the event these are not available, bookings can be made with the Beach Trip Coordinator via SMS or email.
- 2.3. The following information is required for bookings;
  - The vehicle registration number length and height (and trailer if being booked).
  - The number and names of adult members in the vehicle
  - The number and names of junior members in the vehicle
  - Any information required by the managing bodies of the event location.
- 2.4. If a member has invited visitors to attend the trip, the member making the invitation is responsible for providing the information above for each visitor vehicle.
- 2.5. A member or visitor taking a car and/or trailer must include these in their booking. There is no minimum or maximum persons per car.
- 2.6. Members or visitors travelling in other participants booked cars only need to include participants in their bookings.

## **3. Bookings and Travel**

- 3.1. The Beach Trip Coordinator shall collate the number of people attending and vehicles travelling to the camp and shall make the required bookings for barge fees and camping permits for persons nominated to attend.
- 3.2. No individual bookings are to be made by members unless approved by the Beach Trip Coordinator. Any breach of this clause will render the member or visitor ineligible to attend that trip camp/competition.
- 3.3. All persons attending the trip shall travel at the time and date as booked by the trip coordinator or at a later time as approved by the Beach Trip Coordinator depending on

personal necessity.

- 3.4. Members may extend their trip at their discretion and must notify the trip coordinator of the extension at the time of booking in for the trip.
- 3.5. Members extending their trip may purchase surplus food for their extended stay from the club at the original cost price to the club.

#### **4. Kitchen Setup and Pack Up**

- 4.1. All vehicles must wait for the food trailer/camp kitchen to be towed onto the camp site **BEFORE** attempting to enter the campsite. This prevents the track from being torn up and making the task of towing the trailer much harder.
- 4.2. The food trailer/camp kitchen **must have two vehicles attached together using a snatch strap** before any attempts are made to tow the trailer on/off the beach from the causeway and up or down the sand dunes to the designated camp area. There is a RBAFC snatch strap in the trailer. (This prevents any unnecessary digging!)
- 4.3. All adults, other than those with a medical condition, attending the trip will assist with the setup of the kitchen prior to establishing their own campsite.
- 4.4. At the conclusion of the weigh in all attendees will assist with the pack up of the kitchen and trailer.

#### **5. Weigh Out**

- 5.1. When the kitchen has been set up and all persons have paid the relevant camp fees to the coordinator, the Captain of the day shall convene a meeting of all eligible persons.
- 5.2. The Captain will review the competition rules and relate any other relevant information as required and inform the meeting of the weigh in dates and times. The captain will also designate the fishing boundaries for that trip.

#### **6. Weigh In**

- 6.1. At a time notified, the Captain of the day will call for all fish to be brought forward for the weigh in.
- 6.2. The Captain of the day shall appoint a weighmaster to assist with the weigh in.
- 6.3. Prior to the commencement of the weigh in, a list of all species caught shall be placed into a hat on individual tickets and the person having caught the heaviest of the species drawn from the hat will be declared the species winner.
- 6.4. The Captain shall record the number, species and total weight of the fish weighed in by each participant.
- 6.5. The Captain shall announce the person with the highest point score for the trip as the trip winner in each of the open, ladies and junior categories.
- 6.6. Visitors attending the trip will be eligible to win the trip in both total points and species of the trip competitions.
- 6.7. If a visitor subsequently joins the club, then points accrued as a visitor will count in the

member's annual point score.

- 6.8. A person may only attend two beach trips as a visitor, any further trips must be as a paid up member of the club.
- 6.9. Should a point's tie eventuate at the end of the year's Beach Events, the trophy will be awarded to the competitor with the least number of fish caught during the year. This will acknowledge those members who caught quality fish.
- 6.10. Ladies and juniors will compete under the same rules and trophies will be awarded to the winners of each division at the end of the year.

## **7. Campfires**

- 7.1. Any campfire is to comply with the requirements of the managing authority of the site.
- 7.2. Consideration is to be given to impacts on fellow campers.
- 7.3. The club encourages a communal campfire to promote social interaction.
- 7.4. All fires are to be extinguished using water.

## **8. Trophies**

- 8.1. Three beach competition categories will be fished as follows.
  - Combined open competition.
  - Ladies' competition
  - Junior competition (juniors must be under 16yrs of age as of the RBAFC sign on day)
- 8.2. Trophies will be awarded to the winner and runner up of each beach category. The best 3 trip points scores will be used to determine overall annual beach winner and runner up of each category.
- 8.3. Trophies will only be awarded to financial RBAFC members that meet the minimum 5-point system qualifications.
- 8.4. A visitor's recorded catch will be eligible for a trophy if they later become a financial member and meet the same minimum 5-point system qualifications.