



Introduction

RBAFC is pleased to announce that the RBAFC Sports Fishing Competition is continuing for 2024. We have tweaked the rules a little to make this competition more wide spread and available to be fished around Australia in the People's choice category.

With this members competition we will have 4 winners per month. 2 species, members choice senior and a members choice junior. This can be accomplished by capturing an image of the particular species on any brag mat, including a designated codeword, and submitting it either by emailing to <u>sportsfishing@rbafc.org</u> or via the app upload feature. Photos will be shared on the Redland Bay Amateur Fishing Club facebook page.

As codes get released each month they will be emailed to members, on the RBAFC website, Facebook and the app. Prizes are awarded on the longest fish caught in each category.

This comp is for the angler that loves to catch the big ones but also gets gratification at seeing them swim away. This is not to say that you can't take home a feed as there is nothing better than fresh fish, but if you don't like killing some species, you don't have to and can still take home some awesome prizes. The member's choice category will be for every other species other than the "species of the month". Again this will be a photographed fish on a brag mat with the codeword of the month. All the entries will be looked at and the best 7 catches which will be presented to the members at the General Meeting and the winner will be decided.

Please read the rules carefully and if you have any questions please email us at **sportsfishing@rbafc.org** or phone Matt on 0415 149 350.



## Rules and Information

•Handle fish with care and use adequate release methods. We recommend catch and release fishing, however it is not compulsory.

·Fish must be caught within the boundaries for offshore.

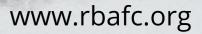
•Two photos are required to be sent in per entry. One on the brag mat and one of the entrant holding the fish. The photographs must be clear and in focus and square on.

•Fish must be caught by the person entering the photo. Entering a fish caught by someone else is cheating. Participants caught cheating in any matter will be disqualified and banned from entering future comps.

•The photo of the entrant holding the fish. The entrants face and fish must be in frame with the entrant holding the fish close to the entrant's body. Support your fish correctly with one hand under the head and the other under its belly. Don't hold your fish up by the gills or with a gaff sticking out of it.

•Photos must be taken at time and place of capture and the fish mush be alive in both photos.

•Brag mats must be lying flat and straight in photos. Codeword must be clearly visable in photos along with the brag mat measurements.





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•Fish must be measured from nose to fork (or central point) of the tail. Fish are judged on fork length, not weight. In the event of a tie, the fish entered first wins.



For species with fork, measure to the inner fork

For species without a fork, measure to central tip

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•You may enter as many times as you like however you may not enter the same fish more than once.

•Entries must be in strictly by the cut off date stated for each comp.

•No fishing in dams or impoundments for the inshore and offshore division.

•Fish showing signs of stretching, mutilation or improper handling will be disqualified. Fish must also exceed relevant State minimum size or Club minimum size limits. Entries of undersized fish will be disqualified. Members may request to see the brag mat pictures of any entry up until 24hrs after a comp has ended.



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•Winners will be announced at each following meeting and on facebook. Winners who are not present at the meeting will be notified by email or phone.

•The RBAFC reserves the right to use all submitted photographs in our online galleries and various promotional purposes.

 $\cdot \text{Never}$  fish in dangerous waters or conditions. Respect our waterways and have fun

How to enter

•Email your entries to **sportsfishing@rbafc.org** or upload on the app. Entries must be in by the cut off date specified for each comp in the table shown. •You must be a current member of the Redland Bay Amateur Fishing Club at the time of entering.

·Include in email/upload

- 1. What fish you are entering
- 2. Two photos, one on brag mat and one of angler holding fish.
- 3. Name of person who caught the fish

4. For the members choice category, any information you believe is relevant to assist with members votes.

5. Length of fish

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Comp	dates
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Month	Start date 2024	Due by
January	17th January	13th February
February	14th February	12th March
March	13th March	16th April
April	17th April	14th May
Мау	15th May	18th June
June	19th June	16th July
July	17th July	13th August
August	14th August	17th September
September	18th Septebmer	15th October
October	16th October	12th November
November/December	13th November	14th January 2025





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