MORETON BAY GAME FISH CLUB

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FRIDAY 27TH NOV. - SUNDAY 29TH NOV. 2026

QUEENSLAND GAME FISHING ASSOCIATION INC.

A QGFA Sanctioned Event

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WEDNESDAY 25th November 2026

7.00 pm: Briefing starts in the Palms Auditorium at the Redlands Sporting Club, Anson Road, Wellington Point. Tournament Kits will be available for collection. **At least one representative from each competing team must be present at the briefing.** All entries must be finalised and paid in full before the start of briefing.

A Calcutta Auction will commence at the conclusion of the briefing for all boats that have not been pre-purchased by their team prior to the start of the briefing. Teams may secure their boat in advance for $200 for vessels under 8m and $400 for vessels 8m & over. Any boat that is not purchased in the Calcutta (i.e. not pre-purchased and then passed at auction), will be deemed to have been purchased by Moreton Bay Game Fishing Club (MBGFC) for $0. Any Calcutta winnings attributable to such a boat will be retained by MBGFC. **Calcutta payments are to be paid in full on the evening – no exceptions.**

FRIDAY 27th November and SATURDAY 28th November 2026

Start Fishing: Friday & Saturday 7.00 am **Cease Fishing:** 4.00 pm

Fish hooked up prior to cease fishing may be played out (overtime) providing Game Fish Base (GB) is notified at time of hook up and vessel reports to GB regularly until fish is either tagged, captured or lost.

Dinner: **6.00 pm:** Friday and Saturday at club property on Moreton Island (Just south of the wrecks). Entertainment on the Friday & Sat. nights.

Other: A raffle and auction of suitable fishing/boating memorabilia will be held over the weekend.

SUNDAY 29th November 2026

BBQ Breakfast: From 7:30am
Presentation: After breakfast (about 9:00am)

ENTRY FEES: Senior - $ 230 Junior - $ 50 Crew - $ 140

ENTRIES CLOSE: 5.00 pm Wednesday November 25th 2026

EARLY BIRD ENTRY: 5:00 pm Wednesday November 18th 2026
(Eligible for an early Entry Prize)

Entry fees include dinner on Friday and Saturday nights and BBQ breakfast on Sunday morning. RED Fund Levy, Tournament shirt and Team kit and a full weekend of entertainment. Additional meal tickets may be purchased at $60.00 for the three meals.

POST ENTRIES TO: Moreton Bay Game Fish Club Ltd
or P. O. Box 371, Capalaba Qld 4157

EMAIL ENTRIES TO: admin@mbgfc.com.au

CHEQUES PAYABLE TO: Moreton Bay Game Fish Club Ltd

DIRECT DEPOSIT: Moreton Bay Game Fish Club Ltd
Bank of Queensland Ltd
BSB 124001. A/C No. 10409767
(Put team name or boat name in comment box please)

BOAT INSURANCE

All boats nominating to fish the tournament are required to have current boat insurance. Details of such insurance must be completed on the entry form supplied along with a photocopy of your insurance certificate. Should a boat not have insurance, nor be able to supply evidence of insurance and certificate prior to the commencement of the tournament, that boat shall be excluded from participating in the tournament. All on board safety remains the responsibility of the Owner/Skipper. Each participant must sign a release and waiver form which will be supplied by MBGFC.

FISHING RULES

GFAA rules apply for the duration of the tournament. All anglers, crew (those who are aiding in the event of catching a fish) and skippers (skippers who are not otherwise registered as an angler need to be registered as a crew member) must be current financial members of a club affiliated with QGFA and GFAA and may be required to provide proof of current club membership. Junior category is for anglers under 16 years of age at the completion of the tournament.

A minimum of 2 anglers and maximum of 6 anglers allowed per boat. Each angler is to receive equal fishing opportunity.

A maximum of two rods in use per angler only, except when live baiting.

Live baiting, one rod per angler only to be used, and cannot be handled by others (including pitch baiting) angler only to cast bait. Only non-offset circle hooks may be used.

Live bait gathering, and / or towing of teaser before start fishing is allowed.

FUN FISH RALLY

Anglers who are not members of a game fish club and do not wish to join MBGFC can enter the Fun Fish Rally. No line class applies.

Eligible species are Snapper, Sweetlip, Pearl Perch, Mackerel (all species), Kingfish (Yellowtail or Black), and Whiting. Prizes will be awarded for the heaviest fish in each category across the two-day event, along with a Cook's Choice Award. Anglers competing in the Gamefish section are also eligible for Fun Fish prizes.

FISHING AREA

Northern boundary on the line of **S 26º30.000'** and Southern boundary on the line of **S 27 º50.000'**. A MBGFC "Back to Tanga 2026" Grid Chart will be provided in Tournament Kits for reference.

Boats are encouraged to return to Tangas on the Friday and Saturday nights.

RADIO SKEDS

All boats must carry a working VHF radio and remain contactable by Game Base or another vessel at all times. Failure to maintain contact may result in disqualification. Skeds will be conducted on **VHF 81**; vessels unable to contact Game Base must relay via another boat or mobile phone. Game Base will also attempt contact on **VHF 73** at the end of each Sked. Failure to contact Game Base on two consecutive Skeds may result in the loss of that day's points.

To allow reporting of late hook-ups, vessels must keep radio channels clear for the final 10 minutes of fishing.

SKED TIMES AND REPORTS

Sked times: Friday and Saturday - 10.05 am, 12.05 pm, 3.05 pm and advise following information:

1. Boat Name.
2. Fishing report (Using "0,0,0" system. i.e. Strikes, Hook-ups, Captures/Tags). For all captures/ tags, report: Species, Angler's name and time of capture.
3. Position – using MBGFC Grid Chart, using grid referencing shown on the chart when referencing your location. Accurate location is important in the event of an incident occurring at sea.

If any vessel is unable to fish on any day, it is a requirement the GB is notified by radio or by phone to Carl Oellermann on 0424 948 203.

Captures and tags not reported on radio Skeds or at the time of capture/tag for those captured or tagged after the 3.05pm sked each day may not be counted in the point scores and may not be eligible for trophies.

LOGGING ON/OFF

For safety reasons it is required that you log on and log off daily with GB and that you get acknowledgement from GB. When logging on details should include: boat name, number of people on board, where the vessel is leaving from and notify GB if fishing Light or Heavy tackle.

Boats can leave from their home ports on Friday and Saturday mornings. A boat logging off with GB before cease fishing will be deemed as no longer fishing from log-off time. A boat is permitted to log off for any reason (for example: if the boat has to return to port for repairs) and then log back on when ready to recommence fishing. Any fish caught during the time that the boat is logged off will not be eligible to score points.

Tournament log on/ off requirements does in no way mean a boat may not log on with Marine Rescue Services for safety purposes.

WEIGH-IN

Weigh-in will be conducted at the MBGFC Clubhouse on Moreton Island between 4.00 and 7.00 pm on Friday and Saturday. To receive capture points, **a fish must be weighed on the day it is caught**. Record claim fish must be intact.

No fish to be left at the weigh station and all carcasses must be gutted and disposed of away from the MBGFC camping area, the nearby beach and anchorage area (otherwise the fish will be disqualified from points score and/ or trophy eligibility).

PAPERWORK/ REPORTING

No points will be recorded unless each boat presents their angler's tag cards, activity sheets and Sked sheets filled in correctly for both tagged and captured fish – a boat's representative must be one of the registered skipper, crew or angler for that boat. These must be provided to the Recorder at the MBGFC Clubhouse (on Moreton Island) no later than 7.00 pm on Friday and 7.00pm Saturday for the respective day's fishing (unless the team is not staying at MBGFC facilities on Friday evening).

Tournament

Teams not staying at the Moreton Island club grounds on Friday night must text photos of completed tag cards and sked sheets to Carl Oellermann (0424 948 203) and receive a reply by 7:00 pm Friday. Captured fish are only eligible for points if weighed at the club grounds on the day they are caught.

Teams submitting photos on Friday must also provide the original Friday paperwork with their Saturday submission (by 7:00 pm Saturday) to receive Friday points.

The Tournament Committee reserves the right to inspect and test any or all the tackle used in the capture or tag and release to conform with GFAA rules. The decision of the Tournament Committee is final.

All boats are required to provide photographic/video evidence of ALL Tagged and Released fish to our Recorder at the MBGFC Clubhouse (on Moreton Island) no later than 7.00 pm on Friday and 7.00pm Saturday for the respective day's fishing (unless the team is not staying at MBGFC facilities on Friday evening). Where a team does not stay at Moreton Island club grounds on Friday evening, photos/videos must be texted through to Carl Oellermann on 0424 948 203. The photograph/video must clearly show the fish, date and time and provided colour wristband. Photograph evidence must clearly constitute the tag & release of the fish. Blurred photos and ambiguous shots will not be counted and may result in the disqualification of the fish.

LINE CLASS

Light tackle: 8kg – any depth.
Heavy tackle: 15kg - 24kg - 37kg - 60kg over 150m depth line.

ELIGIBLE SPECIES:

Eligible species are as per GFAA recognised gamefish.

CAPTURE FISH LIMITS

A maximum of 3 fish of the same species will be allowed per angler per day to a maximum of 10 fish per species per boat. Teams are responsible to ensure they remain within Queensland Fisheries bag limits and boat limits for any fish in their possession – no points for fish that would result in these limits being exceeded.

Billfish that may be eligible for QGFA, GFAA and/or IGFA records, may be weighed. Weighed billfish that **are NOT** heavier than the current record will be awarded **zero** points. Weighed billfish that **are** heavier than the current record will be awarded **tag** points based on line class used.

Other Species Captured: Other Species weighed must be equal to or greater than line class to be awarded points.

Other Species Capture Point Score

Other Species weighed for point score must be equal to or greater than line class and must be weighed on the day it is caught to be awarded points. Sharks are not eligible for weigh points.

Other Species Capture Points will be awarded as follows:

Capture Points = Weight (in kg) **x 100 ÷ Line Class**.
10% allowance will be given to gilled and gutted fish.

Tagging Points Score - Billfish

Excluding billfish, a maximum of 3 other fish per species per angler per day can be tagged to a maximum of 10 fish per species per boat. Billfish that are tagged and released shall have scores allocated as below:

8kg	750 points
15kg	1,500 points
24kg	1,300 points
37kg	1,000 points
60kg	800 points

Other Species Tagging Points Score: 100 points awarded for all other GFAA recognised species (non-billfish) tagged regardless of line class. All sharks **must** be tagged as no capture points apply.

TAGS

To be eligible for tag points, all fish must be tagged with the correct NSW Fisheries tag for that species (e.g. Billfish must be tagged with NSW Fisheries "Billfish Only" tags). Tagging with an incorrect tag type will result in disqualification of the fish. All tag cards must be fully completed to be accepted for points. Other species of fish must be tagged using the correct tag for that species and cards must be fully completed. Teams to supply their own tags. Tag cards will be returned to Anglers after event.

WEATHER

The Tournament Committee reserves the right to alter fishing times, cancel or postpone any day due to conditions that they consider to be bad weather.

The Tournament committee shall apply discretion as they see fit and are not obliged to continue fishing in the absence of a strong wind warning forecast.

Tournament results will be awarded if a minimum of 4 hours of fishing is achieved. If due to bad weather the tournament is cancelled on both days the committee may either reschedule or convert the tournament to a "Bay Shoot Out". If you are unsure if a fishing day has been cancelled, contact Game Base on CH 81 or Carl Oellermann - 0424 948 203.

TOURNAMENT CONDUCT

The tournament committee reserves the right at any stage of the competition to eject, disqualify or deduct points from individuals or teams who are deemed to have conducted themselves in a disrespectful manner and/ or are deemed to have brought the sport of Gamefishing or the tournament into disrepute. If an angler, or a team of anglers/crew/skipper are ejected this will immediately null and void any pending prize allocations and no refund of fees will be provided.

PENALTIES

The tournament committee may invoke penalties or loss of points or disqualification of fish, angler or boat where a breach of the rules is deemed to have taken place. The decision of the tournament committee will be final.

PROTESTS

Protests must be in writing and presented to the tournament committee on the day of the protest no later than 7.00 pm on the Friday and Saturday of the tournament weekend. The committee's decision is final.

BOAT LENGTH

For clarification "Boat Length" to be used to determine which category a team is competing in will be the measured length of the boat in accordance with the latest QGFA guidelines. Specified boat lengths will be measured from the transom where the motor or outdrive of the boat is bolted to the boat (including any pods if fitted) to the forward most point of the boat (excluding any bowsprit or forward projecting anchor location).

In the event of dispute regarding this dimension, the tournament committee shall measure the vessel to determine its length. The decision made by the tournament committee regarding a boat's length will be final.

MOORINGS

Moreton Bay Game Fish Club has three permanent moorings out from the club land. Boats can use these moorings on a first come basis. Rafting up is okay if agreed to by boat skippers/owners. Otherwise, boats can anchor nearby or behind the wrecks.

ACCOMMODATION

MBGFC has several waterfront camp sites available on the club land. The club land is located about mid-way between the Wrecks anchorage and the Tangalooma Wild Dolphin Resort. Our camping area has a large kitchen area with several fridges and freezers, BBQs, covered eating area, men's and ladies' facilities with hot showers and a fish cleaning station (N.B. fish carcasses and scraps to be removed by those using the facility).

For further information contact Sharyn or John Moore on mobile 0417 631 759, email: sjcsm@optusnet.com.au (or see booking form in tournament entry package)

TROPHIES & PRIZE CATEGORIES

Boat 8 metres and over - Champion & Runner up
Boat under 8 metres - Champion & Runner up
Senior Male Angler - Champion & Runner up
Senior Female Angler - Champion & Runner up
Junior Angler - Champion & Runner up
Champion Angler Other Species (excluding tuna)
Champion Angler Tuna
First & Last Billfish Tagged - each day
Champion MBGFC Angler
Fun Fish Trophies (heaviest of each nominated species & cook's choice)

Other Prize categories may be added upon tournament committee discretion.

Junior Anglers are not eligible to win senior prize categories

A tied trophy will be awarded to the angler/ team who first achieved the result.

TOURNAMENT COMMITTEE CONTACT NUMBERS

Barry Parker	0413 740 344
Carol Hutton	0433 412 149
Carl Oellermann	0424 948 203