## WINDYBANKS FISHING CLUB

## 2021 FRESHWATER CHAMPIONSHIP

## LAKE GLENBAWN

## GENERAL RULES \& CONDITIONS

- The 2021 Windybanks Fishing Club (WBFC) Freshwater Championship is a Catch and Release Only tournament. Both bait and lure fishing methods are accepted.
- The target species are Australian Bass, Golden Perch (Yellowbelly), Silver Perch, Freshwater Catfish (Eel-tailed), Rainbow Trout, Eel (Long-fin) and Carp.
- Each competitor will be awarded points for their best 4 fish of each species caught over the duration of the tournament. The points are based on the length of each fish, refer to Competition Point Score Table for detail on points awarded for each species.
- A bonus points system shall apply for the number of designated species measured by an individual angler. Refer to Competition Bonus Points Table for details on bonus points.
- Every fish must meet NSW DPI Legal Length requirements to be scored
- All competitors must have a current NSW fishing license and comply with NSW Fisheries regulations.
- Each competitor must hook and land their own fish, however, may have assistance with landing (netting).
- Competitors must fish with a maximum of 2 lines in the water at any one time.
- Please handle fish as best as you can for a safe release. Photos of bleeding, damaged or dead fish will not be accepted as the tournament is exclusively catch and release. Carp should be humanely euthanized after a photograph is taken and NOT returned to the water live.
- Any competitor found in breach of these rules and conditions shall be subject to disqualification from the competition. The organizers reserve the right to disqualify any competitor who fails to act in the spirit of the competition; or acts in a manner that may bring the event into disrepute.
- The decision of the organizers is final and no further discussions or correspondence will be entered into.


## RECORDING YOUR CATCH

- All Fish being entered (competitors best 4 of each species) must be photographed using a DPI brag mat. The photo must be clear, include the anglers ID card with the nose of the fish touching the stopping board and the end of the tail clearly visible.
- Tape measures or other measuring devices will not be accepted. Fish will also not be accepted if the ID card is missing from the photograph.
- Please take additional photos of holding the fish so we can have them on display on WBFC social media.
- During the official weigh in you will be required to supply photographic evidence of your best 4 fish of each species (based on measurement). Please have a list of your 4 best fish of each species with exact length (to 0.1 cm ), and the corresponding photos ready to present at the START of the official weigh in.


## COMPETITION TIMINGS \& BOUNDARIES

Briefing: A briefing for all anglers will be held on Thursday $4^{\text {th }}$ November at 7:00pm. The briefing will be held at Asquith Bowling Club during the regular WBFC Social Meeting.

Start Fishing: Angler ID cards will be provided on arrival at Lake Glenbawn from Friday $12^{\text {th }}$ November 2021. Fishing begins Friday $12^{\text {th }}$ November 2021 at $\mathbf{1 2 : 0 0} \mathrm{pm}$, anglers must not commence fishing or berleying before designated start time.

Stop Fishing: Fishing will conclude on Sunday the $14^{\text {th }}$ November at 10:00am 2021, any fish caught after the stop fishing deadline will not be counted.

Weigh-in: Weigh-in closes at 10:00am sharp Sunday $14^{\text {th }}$ November 2021 at the WBFC campsite. Those in the weighin queue by this time will have their fish accepted. The official presentation will commence once results have been finalized.

Boundaries: All waters within the confines of Lake Glenbawn ONLY, any fish caught outside Lake Glenbawn will not be counted.

## COMPETITION POINT SCORE

Minimum lengths of fish awarded points per centimeter (cm) for competitive purposes. Each competitor will be awarded points for their best 4 fish of each species. The following list shall apply to the WBFC Freshwater Championship.

| Species | Points <br> $($ per cm) | Minimum <br> Length | Bag <br> Limit | Possession <br> Limit | Club Record <br> $\mathbf{( k g )}$ | Club Record <br> C\&R (cm) |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Australian Bass | 10 | 30 cm | 2 | 4 | 1.85 | 45 |
| Golden Perch (Yellowbelly) | 5 | 30 cm | 5 | 10 | 3.36 | 53 |
| Silver Perch | 5 | 25 cm | 5 | 10 | 1.74 | 37 |
| Freshwater Catfish (Eel-tailed) | 5 | 30 cm | 5 | 10 | 2.01 | 54 |
| Rainbow Trout | 5 | 25 cm | 5 | 10 | 1.06 | Vacant |
| Eel (Long-fin) | 2 | 58 | 10 | 10 | Vacant | Vacant |
| Carp | 1 | $\mathrm{n} / \mathrm{a}$ | $\mathrm{n} / \mathrm{a}$ | $\mathrm{n} / \mathrm{a}$ | 6.94 | N/A |

Note 1: The 2021 Windybanks Fishing Club (WBFC) Freshwater Championship is a Catch and Release Only tournament. Photos of bleeding, damaged or dead fish will not be accepted. Please handle fish as best as you can for a safe release.

Note 2: Glenbawn dam has a small population of very large Murray Cod. The closed fishing season runs from September to November. Murray Cod do NOT count towards the Competition Point Score nor the Competition Bonus Points and should not be specifically targeted.

Note 3: If a fish is to be weighed for Club Record purposes, it can be kept whole and submitted at the Weigh-in. The fish being weighted WILL NOT count towards the Competition Point Score nor the Competition Bonus Points (being a C\&R only competition). The only exception to this rule is Carp, which must be not be released alive in any case.

NSW Fisheries Regulations take preference over lengths and bag limited nominated.

## COMPETITION BONUS POINTS

A bonus points system shall apply for the number of designated species measured by an individual angler.

| Number of Species | Bonus Points |
| :---: | :---: |
| 1 | 0 |
| 2 | 100 |
| 3 | 300 |
| 4 | 600 |
| 5 | 1000 |
| 6 | 1500 |
| 7 | 2100 |

## AWARDS CATEGORIES

Freshwater Champion (x TOP 3): Based on points scored from the competitors best 4 fish of each species and bonus points awarded based on the number of designated species caught.

Largest Bass: Based on measurement
Largest Other Species: Based on measurement
Lucky Door Prizes: to be eligible for the lucky door prizes you must be present at the time of the lucky prize draw (weighin).

## SAFETY

It is the skipper's responsibility to look after the safety of the crew onboard the vessel at all times. All skippers must ensure their vessel comply fully with the safety requirements outlined by NSW RMS for vessels. If in doubt please contact your local RMS office or check the RMS website for full details. The decision to go out will be the responsibility of the individual boat crew and do so at their own risk - IF IN DOUBT - DO NOT GO OUT.

