



WINDYBANKS FISHING CLUB

2023 Windybanks Challenge

GENERAL RULES & CONDITIONS

- The 2023 Windybanks Challenge is a Catch and Release (C&R) and Capture tournament. Both bait and lure fishing methods are accepted.
- The target species are listed in the Competition Point Score Table. The points are based on the weight of each fish, refer to Competition Point Score Table for detail on points awarded for each species.
- Each competitor will be awarded points for their best **X** fish of each species, where **X** is the Bag Limit number listed in the Competition Point Score Table.
- Only fish species listed in the attached C&R List with weight for length conversions can be measured, photographed and released, and a point score allocated.
- Each competitor will be awarded bonus points for each species caught over the duration of the tournament.
- A bonus points system shall apply for the number of designated species presented by an individual angler at the weigh-in. Refer to Competition Bonus Points Table for details on bonus points.
- Fish species listed in the Competition Point Score Table, but not listed in the attached C&R List can be photographed and released, and count towards the angler's species bonus points. A point score will not be allocated for entries of this type.
- Every fish must meet NSW DPI Legal Length and Competition Point Score Table minimum length requirements to be scored.
- Every competitor & boat crew must meet NSW DPI size limits including slot limits, bag limits, boat limits & possession limits at all times.
- 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 four (4) lines in the water at any one time in tidal (saltwater) and a maximum of two (2) lines in the water at any one time non-tidal (fresh) waters within NSW.
- If measuring and releasing a fish, please handle fish as best as you can for a safe release. Photos of bleeding, damaged or dead fish will not be accepted.
- 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

Capture

- All Fish being entered must be presented gilled and gutted and in fresh condition (not frozen).
- Exception for this rule is that club records can be caught and weighed in anytime and not gilled or gutted. Fish eligible for record status shall be weighed on the club scales by the Weighmaster.

Catch & Release

- All Fish being entered must be photographed using an official club approved 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.
- Garfish are measured from the bottom (shorter) jaw to the tail, with a minimum size of 25cm. Garfish are to be measured with the tail of the fish touching the stopping board and the end of the lower jaw clearly visible.
- ONLY if a fish is too large to boat and/or measure on a brag mat i.e., marlin, then a tape measure may be used with the fish in the water alongside the boat. A photo with the tape measure in place along the entire fish's length showing the angler and a second photo zoomed in to the total length measurement is required.
- Photos of bleeding, damaged or dead fish will not be accepted. Please handle fish as best as you can for a safe release.
- Fish will not be accepted if the Anglers ID card is missing from the photograph.
- During the official weigh in you will be required to supply photographic evidence of your fish.

COMPETITION TIMINGS & BOUNDARIES

Briefing: A briefing for all anglers will be held at the WBFC social meeting, 7pm Thursday April 6th 2023 at the Asquith Bowling Club. If anglers cannot attend, this document contains all the relevant information.

Start Fishing: Fishing begins Friday 14th April 2023 at **12:00pm**, anglers must not commence fishing or berleying before designated start time. Bait gathering and berleying for the purpose of bait gathering only is permitted prior to start fishing.

Weigh-in: Weigh-in closes at **3:00pm** sharp Sunday 16th April 2023. Weigh-in will be held at The Galston Club outdoor BBQ area. Those in the weigh-in queue by this time will have their fish accepted. The official presentation will commence once results have been finalized.

Boundaries: All tidal waters between Norah Head Lighthouse to South Head of Sydney Harbour and non-tidal (fresh) waters within NSW. Any fish not caught within these waters will not be counted.

COMPETITION POINT SCORE

Fish species that do not appear on the list below will not count towards the competition point score or competition bonus points. Minimum Lengths are total fish lengths measured from the snout to the tip of the tail. Refer to the Capture section on the following page for additional restrictions that apply to captured fish weighed on club scales at the official weigh-in.

NSW Fisheries Regulations take preference over lengths and bag limited nominated

Species	Points (per kg)	Minimum Length (cm)	Bag Limit	Species	Points (per kg)	Minimum Length (cm)	Bag Limit
Amber Jack	17	30	5**	Māori Cod	2	30	10
Atlantic Salmon	17	30	5#	Marlin, Spear & Swordfish	11	150	1 of each
Australian Bass	22	25	2##	Morwong (Grey & Jackass)	11	30	10
Australian Salmon	11	35	5	Morwong (Red & Banded)	11	30	5
Barracouta	2	30	10	Mullet (Not Sea)	11	25	10
Barr Cod	11	30	5***	Mullet (Sea)	11	30	10
Bonito	11	30	10	Mulloway	17	70	1
Bream (Yellowfin)	17	27	10*	Murray Cod	11	60	2
Callope	11	30	10	Nannygai	2	30	10
Carp	5	25	10	Orange Perch (Longfin)	11	30	10
Catfish (Fresh)	11	30	2	Parrot Fish	2	30	10
Cobia	17	60	5	Pearl Perch	17	30	5
Cowyoung	2	30	10	Pike	2	30	10
Dolphin Fish (Mahi Mahi)	17	60	10	Red Rock Cod	2	30	5
Drummer (Black)	11	30	10	Redfin (Perch)	7	25	10
Drummer (Silver)	11	30	10	Samson Fish	17	30	5**
Eel (Long-fin)	7	58	10	Sawtail Surgeon Fish	22	30	5
Estuary Perch	22	25	2##	Sergeant Baker	2	30	10
Flathead (Dusky)	11	36	5	Silver Perch	11	30	5
Flathead (Other)	11	36	10	Snapper	22	30	10
Flounder	22	25	10	Sweep	2	30	10
Garfish	22	25	10	Tailor	7	35	10
Gemfish	11	30	5***	Tarwhine	17	27	10*
Golden Perch (Yellowbelly)	11	30	5	Teraglin (Trag)	11	38	5
Groper (Bass)	22	25	5***	Trevella	11	30	5***
Groper (Blue/Brown/Red)	17	46	2	Trevally	7	30	10
Gurnard	2	30	10	Trout (Brook)	17	30	5#
Hairtail	7	91	10	Trout (Brown)	17	30	5#
Hapuka	11	30	5***	Trout (Rainbow)	17	30	5#
John Dory	22	30	10	Tuna (Albacore)	11	30	5###
Leatherjacket	11	25	10	Tuna (Bigeye)	11	30	5###
Long Tom	2	30	10	Tuna (Longtail)	11	30	5###
Luderick	17	27	10	Tuna (Skipjack/Striped)	11	30	5###
Mackerel (Frigate)	11	30	10	Tuna (Yellowfin)	11	30	5###
Mackerel (Spanish)	17	75	5****	Tuna (Southern Bluefin)	11	30	1
Mackerel (Spotted)	17	60	5****	Wahoo	11	46	5
Mackerel Tuna	11	30	10	Whiting	17	27	10
Mangrove Jack	22	30	5	Yellowtail Kingfish	11	65	5

Legend:

- * Total of 10 fish combined for Bream & Tarwhine
- ** Total of 5 fish combined Amberjack & Samson Fish
- *** All offshore deep-sea species - maximum of 5 fish combined with only 2 Gem Fish & Boat limit of 10
- **** Total of 5 fish combined Spanish Mackerel & Spotted Mackerel
- # Total of 5 fish combined Atlantic Salmon, Brown Trout, Rainbow Trout & Brook Trout
- ## Total of 2 fish combined for Australian Bass & Estuary Perch
- ### Total of 5 fish combined for Albacore, Bigeye, Longtail, Skipjack (Striped) & Yellowfin Tuna

Capture

Minimum lengths of fish awarded points per kilogram for competitive purposes. Each competitor will be awarded points for their best **X** fish of each species, where **X** is the Bag Limit number listed in the Competition Point Score Table.

The following additional restrictions apply to captured fish weighed on club scales at the official weigh-in:

- Australian Bass & Estuary Perch: Total of 2 fish combined with only one fish over 35cm if fishing in rivers.
- Murray Cod: Total of 2 fish with a slot limit of 55cm to 75cm. Fish over 75cm are to be released.
- Silver Perch: Total of 5 fish from impoundments only
- Dolphinfish (Mahi Mahi): Total of 10 fish with only 1 fish longer than 110cm
- Dusky Flathead: Total of 5 fish with a slot limit of 36cm to 70cm. Fish over 70cm are to be released.
- Groper (Blue, Brown, Red): Total of 2 fish combined with only 1 fish longer than 60cm.
- Tuna (Albacore, Bigeye, Longtail, Skipjack & Yellowfin): Total of 2 fish combined 90cm or above and total of 5 fish combined under 90cm.

Catch & Release

Only the following fish species listed on the attached C&R List with weight for length conversions can be measured, photographed, and released, and a point score allocated:

- Australian Bass
- Australian Salmon
- Bonito
- Bream (Yellowfin)
- Drummer (Black), Rock Blackfish
- Flathead (Dusky)
- Flathead (Bluespotted)
- Garfish – to 35cm length
- Golden Perch (Yellowbelly)
- John Dory
- Luderick
- Morwong (Grey) – to 50cm length
- Mullet (Sea)
- Mulloway
- Murray Cod
- Snapper
- Sweep – to 30cm length
- Tailor
- Tarwhine – to 40cm length
- Teraglin (Trag) – to 50cm length
- Trevally (Silver) – to 58cm length
- Trout (All)
- Whiting
- Yellowtail Kingfish

Capture restrictions do not apply to catch & release, providing the fish is released in a healthy state with an excellent chance of survival. Photos of bleeding, damaged or dead fish will not be accepted.

Minimum Lengths required in the competition point score table are total fish lengths measured from the snout to the tip of the tail. In some of the conversion tables, fork length measurements have been used while in others, total length has been used.

Fork length is measured from the **snout to the fork of the tail**.

Total length (legal length) is measured from the **snout to the tip of the tail**.

Catch & Release List – Length (cm) to Weight (kg) Conversions

Species	Method	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40	41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48	49	50	51	52	53	54	55	56	57	58	59	60			
Australian Bass	Fork	0.30	0.30	0.40	0.40	0.50	0.50	0.60	0.60	0.70	0.80	0.80	0.90	1.00	1.10	1.20	1.30	1.30	1.50	1.60	1.70	1.80	1.90	2.00	2.20	2.30	2.50	2.60	2.80	2.90	3.10	3.30	3.50	3.70	3.90	4.10	4.30			
Australian Salmon	Fork						0.49	0.54	0.59	0.64	0.70	0.76	0.82	0.89	0.96	1.03	1.11	1.19	1.27	1.36	1.45	1.54	1.64	1.75	1.85	1.96	2.08	2.20	2.32	2.45	2.58	2.72	2.86	3.01	3.16	3.32	3.48			
Bonito	Fork	0.20	0.20	0.30	0.30	0.40	0.40	0.50	0.50	0.60	0.60	0.70	0.70	0.80	0.80	0.90	1.00	1.10	1.20	1.20	1.30	1.40	1.50	1.60	1.70	1.90	2.00	2.10	2.20	2.40	2.50	2.60								
Bream (Yellowfin)	Fork	0.40	0.40	0.50	0.50	0.60	0.70	0.70	0.80	0.90	1.00	1.00	1.10	1.20	1.30	1.50	1.60	1.70	1.80	1.90	2.10	2.20	2.40	2.50	2.70	2.90	3.10	3.20	3.40	3.60	3.80	4.10	4.30	4.50	4.80	5.10	5.30			
Drummer (Black)	Fork	0.33	0.37	0.42	0.47	0.52	0.58	0.64	0.71	0.78	0.86	0.94	1.03	1.12	1.22	1.33	1.44	1.55	1.68	1.81	1.94	2.08	2.23	2.39	2.56	2.73	2.91	3.10	3.29	3.50	3.71	3.93	4.16	4.40	4.65	4.91	5.17			
Flathead (Dusky)	Total												0.25	0.27	0.30	0.33	0.35	0.38	0.42	0.45	0.49	0.52	0.56	0.61	0.65	0.70	0.74	0.79	0.85	0.90	0.96	1.02	1.08	1.15	1.21	1.28	1.36	1.43	1.51	
Flathead (Other)	Total																																							
Garfish	Fork	0.07	0.08	0.09	0.10	0.12	0.13	0.14	0.16	0.18	0.19	0.21																												
Golden Perch (Yellowbelly)	Fork						0.40	0.50	0.50	0.60	0.70	0.70	0.80	0.90	1.00	1.00	1.10	1.20	1.30	1.40	1.50	1.60	1.70	2.00	2.20	2.50	2.60	2.80												
John Dory	Fork	0.26	0.29	0.32	0.36	0.40	0.44	0.48	0.53	0.58	0.63	0.68	0.74	0.80	0.86	0.93	1.00	1.07	1.15	1.23	1.31	1.40	1.49	1.59	1.68	1.79	1.89													
Luderick	Fork		0.40	0.40	0.50	0.50	0.60	0.60	0.70	0.70	0.90	0.90	1.00	1.00	1.20	1.20	1.50	1.50	1.70	1.70	2.00	2.00	2.30	2.30	2.60	2.60	3.00	3.00	3.40	3.40	3.80	3.80	4.30	4.30	4.60	4.60	5.40			
Morwong (Grey)	Fork	0.30	0.30	0.40	0.40	0.50	0.50	0.60	0.60	0.70	0.80	0.80	0.90	1.00	1.00	1.10	1.20	1.30	1.40	1.50	1.60	1.70	1.80	2.00	2.10	2.20	2.40													
Mullet (Sea)	Fork	0.20	0.20	0.30	0.30	0.30	0.40	0.40	0.50	0.50	0.60	0.60	0.70	0.70	0.80	0.90	1.00	1.00	1.10	1.20	1.30	1.40	1.50	1.60	1.70	1.80	1.90	2.00	2.20	2.30	2.40									
Mulloway	Fork																					0.86	0.92	1.08	1.05	1.11	1.18	1.25	1.33	1.40	1.48	1.57	1.65	1.74	1.83	1.93	2.03			
Murray Cod	Total																1.10	1.10	1.30	1.30	1.50	1.50	1.80	1.80	2.00	2.00	2.30	2.30	2.60	2.60	3.00	3.00	3.3	3.3	3.7	3.7	4.2			
Snapper	Fork						0.62	0.68	0.74	0.81	0.88	0.95	1.02	1.10	1.18	1.27	1.36	1.46	1.55	1.66	1.76	1.87	1.99	2.11	2.23	2.36	2.49	2.63	2.77	2.92	3.07	3.23	3.39	3.56	3.73	3.90	4.09			
Sweep	Fork	0.36	0.39	0.43	0.48	0.52	0.57																																	
Tailor	Fork						0.30	0.30	0.40	0.40	0.50	0.50	0.60	0.60	0.70	0.70	0.70	0.70	1.00	1.00	1.20	1.20	1.30	1.30	1.50	1.50	1.70	1.70	1.90	1.90	2.20	2.20	2.50	2.50	2.80	2.80	3.00			
Tarwhine	Fork	0.39	0.44	0.49	0.55	0.61	0.68	0.75	0.83	0.91	1.00	1.09	1.19	1.29	1.40	1.51	1.64																							
Teraglin (Trag)	Fork	0.16	0.18	0.20	0.22	0.25	0.27	0.30	0.33	0.36	0.39	0.43	0.46	0.50	0.54	0.59	0.63	0.68	0.73	0.78	0.84	0.90	0.95	1.02	1.08	1.15	1.22													
Trevally (Silver)	Fork						0.55	0.60	0.66	0.72	0.78	0.85	0.92	0.99	1.07	1.15	1.23	1.32	1.41	1.51	1.61	1.72	1.83	1.94	2.06	2.18	2.31		2.60				3.00			3.50				
Trout (All)	Fork			0.30	0.30	0.30	0.30	0.40	0.40	0.50	0.50	0.60	0.60	0.70	0.70	0.80	0.80	0.90	0.90	1.10	1.10	1.20	1.20	1.40	1.40	1.60	1.60	1.80	1.80	2.00	2.00	2.30	2.30	2.50	2.50	2.80	2.80			
Whiting	Fork	0.10	0.10	0.20	0.20	0.20	0.20	0.20	0.30	0.30	0.30	0.30	0.40	0.40	0.40	0.50	0.50	0.50	0.60	0.60	0.70	0.70	0.80	0.80	0.90	0.90	1.00													
Yellowtail Kingfish	Fork																																						2.80	

Species	Method	61	62	63	64	65	66	67	68	69	70	71	72	73	74	75	76	77	78	79	80	81	82	83	84	85	86	87	88	89	90	91	92	93	94	95	96		
Australian Salmon	Fork			4.10	4.10	4.10	4.70	4.70	4.70	5.40	5.40	5.40	6.10	6.10	6.90	6.90	6.90	7.50	7.50	7.50	8.7	8.7	8.7	9.80	9.80	9.80	10.9	10.9	10.9	12.1									
Flathead (Dusky)	Total	1.70	1.70	1.80	1.80	2.00	2.00	2.20	2.20	2.50	2.50	2.70	2.70	2.90	3.20	3.20	3.50	3.80	3.80	4.10	4.10	4.40	4.60	4.80	4.80	5.10	5.10	5.50	5.50	5.90	5.90	6.40	6.60	6.80					
Flathead (Other)	Total	1.59	1.68	1.76	1.85	1.95	2.04	2.14	2.25	2.35	2.46																												
Mulloway	Fork	2.13	2.23	2.34	2.45	2.57	2.69	2.81	2.94	3.07	3.20	3.34	3.48	3.62	3.77	3.93	4.08	4.24	4.41	4.58	4.75	4.93	5.12	5.30	5.49	5.69	5.89	6.10	6.31	6.52	6.74	6.97	7.20	7.43	7.67	7.91	8.16		
Murray Cod	Total	4.60	4.60	5.20	5.20	5.70	5.70	6.30	6.30	6.90	6.90	7.60	7.60	8.30	8.30	9.00	9.00	9.80	9.80	10.70	10.70	11.60	11.60	12.50	12.50	13.50	13.50	14.60	14.60	15.70	15.70	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	19.30			
Snapper	Fork	4.27	4.47	4.66	4.87	5.08	5.29	5.51	5.74	5.97	6.20	6.45	6.70	6.95	7.21	7.48	7.75	8.03	8.32	8.61	8.91	9.22	9.53	9.85	10.2	10.5	11.20	11.20	12.00	12.00	12.70	12.70	12.70	12.70	14.80	14.80			
Tailor	Fork		3.40	3.40	3.80	3.80	4.20	4.20	4.60	4.60	5.00	5.00	5.50	5.70	6.00	6.00	6.50	6.50	7.10	7.40	7.70	7.70	8.30	8.30	8.30	9.30	9.30	9.30	10.30	10.30	11.10								
Trout (All)	Fork	3.10	3.10	3.40	3.40	3.70	3.70	4.10	4.10	4.40	4.40	4.80	4.80	5.30																									
Kingfish	Fork	2.90	3.00	3.20	3.40	3.50	3.70	3.80	4.00	4.20	4.40	4.60	4.80	5.00	5.20	5.20	5.60	5.60	6.10	6.10	6.50	6.50	7.00	7.00	7.60	7.60	8.10	8.10	8.70	8.70	9.30	9.30	9.90	9.90	10.6	10.6	11.3		

Species	Method	96	97	98	99	100	101	102	103	104	105	106	107	108	109	110	111	112	113	114	115	116	117	118	119	120	121	122	123	124	125	126	127	128	129	130	131		
Flathead (Dusky)	Total	6.8	6.8	7.3	7.3	7.8	7.8	7.8	7.8	9.1	9.1	9.1	9.1	10.6																									
Mulloway	Fork	8.2	8.4	8.7	8.9	9.2	9.5	9.8	10.1	10.4	10.6	11.0	11.3	11.6	11.9	12.2	12.6	12.9	13.2	13.6	13.9	14.3	14.7	15.1	15.4	15.8	16.2	16.6	17.0	17.4	17.9	18.3	18.7	19.2	19.6	20.1	20.5		
Murray Cod	Total	19.3	19.3	20.7	20.7	22.1																																	
Kingfish	Fork	11.3	11.3	12.0	12.0	12.8	12.8	12.8	12.8	14.8	14.8	14.8	14.8	17.0	17.0	17.0	17.0	19.4	19.4	19.4	19.4	19.4	22.0	22.0	22.0	22.0	22.0	22.0	24.9	24.9	24.9	24.9	24.9	24.9	28.0	28.0			

Species	Method	132	133	134	135	136	137	138	139	140	141	142	143	144	145	146	147	148	149	150	151	152	153	154	155	156	157	158	159	160
Mulloway	Fork	21.0	21.5	21.9	22.4	22.9	23.4	23.9	24.5	25.0	25.5	26.1	26.6	27.2	27.7	28														

COMPETITION BONUS POINTS

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

Number of Species	Bonus Points	Number of Species	Bonus Points
1	0	10	225
2	5	11	275
3	15	12	330
4	30	13	390
5	50	14	455
6	75	15	525
7	105	16	600
8	140	17	675
9	180	18	755

SAFETY

It is the skipper's responsibility to always look after the safety of the crew onboard the vessel. All skippers must ensure their vessel fully complies 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.