

MERCURY BAY GAME FISHING CLUB (INC)



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NOTICE OF 2024-25 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING SATURDAY 20th SEPTEMBER 2025 5.00pm

Followed by Prizegiving

***(You must be present to have a chance to win the Sherriff
Drainage T & R Cash Prize)***

AGENDA

1. Apologies
2. Minutes of the Previous Annual General Meeting
3. President's Report
4. Financial Statements
5. Results of the Election of Officers and Committee for ensuing year
6. Elect any necessary additional Committee Members for ensuing year
7. Appoint an Auditor
8. Vote on any Notices of Motion/Remits
9. Approve the committee's recommendation of subscriptions, fees and levies for the ensuing year
10. Consider any General Business



MINUTES
MERCURY BAY GAME FISHING CLUB INCORPORATED
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD AT THE CLUB ROOMS
SATURDAY 30TH SEPTEMBER 2024
COMMENCING 5:00PM

PRESENT

Ann Smal, Johan Smal, Louis Twyman, Tim Hennessey, Karen Hennessy, Lisa Marie Yeeles, Mary Egleton, Dan Ford, Lexi Ford, Mel Ford, Walter Christiansen, Tania Christiansen, Grant Wadesworth, Tania Evert, Lisa Wadesworth, Ann Mclvor, Gordon Mclvor, Danny McGonagle, Christine McGonagle, Scott Farrell, Debbie Farrell, Diane Andrews, Mark Franklin, Caroline Franklin, Doug Ray, Ceciel Cryer, Kirsten Sherriff, Jason Sherriff, Jim Nicholson, Raewyn Nicholson, Annette Harris, Warren Harris, Caleb Savill, Heather Savill, Quintin Sanill, Riley Savill, Suzy Hardy, Keely Chambers, Shannon Chambers, Dianne Gilmour, Ian Gilmour, Bryce Houton, Sue Houton, Jacqui Groves, Joe Steel, Damian Jaques, Colleen Jaques, AJ Russell, Ron Morgan, Geoff Black, Kylie Phillips, Mark Phillips, Allan Austin, Lee Austin, Isreal Fussell, Sarah Fussell, Bryn Jones, Kate Raye, Tony Fix, Val Fix, Cody Hamilton, Kelly Hamilton, Luke Parkinson, Graham Van Da, Jane Wildman, Ami-Lee Wildman, Hayden Thompson, Jo Brown, Paul Whitelaw, Richard Waldron, Sandie Powell, Steve Bremner, Jarrod Hill, Chloe Roberts, Mark McDowell, Kathy McDowell, Bill Pepper, Eric Pampalone, Diane Taylor, Michael Taylor, Rodd Southcome, John Neighbours, Brad Johnson, Mike English, Simon Rawson, Bruce McCluskey, Andrea McCluskey, Glen Troughton, Jemma Laker, Michael Nicholson, Levi Nicholson, Hunter Nicholson, Sarah Nicholson, Griffin Pauling, Wendy Chadwick, Stuart Tucker.

After welcoming everybody to the 2024 Annual General, President Gordon Mclvor called for a minute of silence for members who had passed on during the year.

1. APOLOGIES

Penny Murray, Dave Enright, Bryan Metcalf, Hayley Metcalf, Mike Gill, Hayley Gill, Brook Johnstone, Rachel Johnstone, Bryce Andrews, Craig Scarrott, Kirstin Scarrott, Louis Wright, Rebecca Wright, Margaret Neighbours, Petter Murray, Rob Hendricks,

That apologies be accepted

Moved: Damian Jaques

Seconded: Di Andrews

2. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD 10th SEPTEMBER 2023

Accepted as a true and correct record

Moved: Israel Fussell

Seconded: Caroline Franklin

3. MATTERS ARISING

Nil

4. PRESIDENTS REPORT

Gordon Mclvor commented that due to a large amount of activity within the club for the 203/24 period, his report was extensive and asked that it be taken as read.

Accepted as read.

Moved: John Neighbours

Seconded: Dough Ray

5. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

As the accounts for the MBGFC 2023/24 financial had been circulated prior to the AGM, Gordon Mclvor asked for the accounts be taken as read and asked if there were any questions or comments regarding the Statements. There were none.

That the Financial Statements be accepted as presented.

Moved: Colleen Jaques

Seconded: Diane Andrews

6. RESULTS OF THE ELECTION OF OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE FOR THE 2023-2024 YEAR

Gordon Mclvor advised that there had been 9 nominations for 8 committee positions and as such a ballot had been called for. The results of this ballot elected the following committee members for the 2024/25 club year.

Patron - Warren Harris (unopposed)

President – Gordon Mclvor (unopposed)

Vice President – Anne Smal, (unopposed)

Committee Members – Di Andrews, Dave Enright, Scott Farrell, Mark Franklin, Tim Hennessy, Brad Johnson, Doug Ray and Craig Scarrott.

Gordon thanked all candidates that put their names forward for election and congratulated the successful candidates.

7. APPOINTMENT OF The AUDITOR

That Michael Burt be appointed auditor for the financial year ended 30 June 2023

Moved: Mark Franklin

Seconded : Dough Ray

8. APPROVE THE COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION OF SUBSCRIPTIONS, FEES AND LEVIES FOR THE ENSUING YEAR

Gordon McIvor explained that there was no recommendation from the committee to change the existing membership fee structure for 2024/25

Moved: Timm Hennessey

Seconded: Mellisa Ford

9. GENERAL BUSINESS

There was no general business.

10. Nomination Life Membership: Debbie and Scott Farrell

It was proposed that Debbie and Scott Farrell be nominated for life membership of the MBGFC for outstanding services to the club for many years. This nomination was unanimously approved by the committee prior to the AGM and unanimously by the AGM attendees.

Debbie and Scott were presented a framed Life Membership Certificate.

Moved: Mark Franklin

Seconded: Warren Harris

There being no further business, the meeting was declared closed at 5:16pm

Approved



(Gordon McIvor - President)

MBGFC President's 2024/25 Annual Report

The Year That Was

Well, you would have to say thank goodness for the yellow fin this season with marlin being few and far between particularly in our fishing grid area, with yellowfin 280 compared to 6 last seasons.

Although the total billfish is only slightly down 201 compared to 230 last year, the true reflection is that of those 201 billfish 51 were caught outside our area with many on the west coast. Another anomaly was shortbill spearfish up from 1 last season to 44 this season.

The leader board once again was hotly contested. Congratulations to the winners.

- Champion angler: Nicola Candy
- Champion Boat: Mile Zero

Some notable catches this season:

Again, Kelly Chambers needs special mention with a 10:1 catch of a 111.11 kg striped marlin on 10kg line.

As does the following: Asylum, 39 game fish mostly tagged and release, Mile Zero 30 game fish mostly tagged and released, Vamos 3 Junior club records and pin fish on 2kg, 3kg, 4kg, 6kg and Seasic 3 junior records. I am sure there are many other noteworthy catches and stories to be told.

The junior anglers really stepped up this season with 13 of 16 new club records going to juniors, this bodes well for the future.

Congratulations to all our new record holders, cup winners and pin certificate recipients.

Tournament Wrap Up

Majority of the tournaments went ahead as scheduled except for the No Bait Tournament which was postponed then cancelled due to weather, and the snapper interclub tournament also cancelled due to weather conditions.

Once again tournaments were well organised with good participation, a credit to the tournament convenors.

The return of the trailer boat was well received, with Garmin being naming sponsor for 3 years, and it is definitely on the calendar again in 2026.

A highlight this year was our centennial tournament - 100 boats all of which get their names on the cup base. Marlin only with no prizes, just competing to get your name on the trophy for the biggest fish and most points.

The Centennial celebration and prize giving was a fantastic night, 400 people attended with many in period dress and classic cars on display to add to the atmosphere, a presentation from the Boy Smith family of a 1950's club blazer in a glass case was very much appreciated.

Marlin proved a bit scarce with only 4 being caught, we had a very popular winner Bryce Hooton on Andiamo along with his skippers Bruce Ellwood and Chase Wotten and crew, caught the heaviest marlin 130.3kg (heaviest of the season) as well as a tag and release to get the most points as well.

With the success of the Centennial and the need for a marlin tournament the committee has announced a new tournament for the 25-26 season the MBGFC Offshore Classic (25 - 28/02/2026). Species will be marlin, broadbill swordfish, mahimahi and tuna, and prizes will be on a cash in cash out basis.

The Commercial Health of the Club

Like most businesses in Whitianga particularly hospitality, this year was a challenging economic environment to operate in.

There were three drivers that contributed to a recorded loss of ninety-six thousand dollars.

1. They were, reduced turn over 11 percent, costs of goods increasing squeezing margins and not receiving a significant income from the Kubota this year.
2. Operating costs have largely stayed in line with last year an increase of 7K, while despite new initiatives and best efforts the kitchen continues to make a significant loss.
3. The auditor requiring a provision for staff leave for the first time has added a 37k liability compared to last year and there is a non-cash provision of 27K for depreciation.

Our cash reserve currently sit at \$220,000. this only dropped 42k despite investing \$86k on capital items like a new oven and cook top for the kitchen and our catch master system.

The Club is solvent, and this remains within our policy of having 100k in reserves, but there is no doubt that we will be facing a challenging year ahead to make the books balance.

There will be a line-by-line review conducted with many smaller initiatives being considered and larger ones not ruled out.

There was a decrease in membership from 3366 to 2905 members which was pretty much in line with a decrease of day memberships from the Kubota.

Constitution

As I mentioned last year, in line with NZ Government Legislation we need to update our constitution to comply with the Incorporated Societies Act which comes into effect on 26 April 2026. Special thanks to a dedicated team led by Anne Smal VP, with Colleen and Damian Jaques, who put out a draft constitution for consultation. That consultation is now complete and the draft finalised. We are now seeking your support to adopt the new constitution at our AGM. Even if approved we will still be working under the old constitution for the next 12 months with the new constitution coming into effect September 2026.

Regulatory

The Hauraki Marine Park Legislation continues to slowly grind its way through Parliament, the formation of the two high protection areas (reserves) out from the Alderman Islands now seems inevitable.

We had a new threat to our right to fish when the Environmental Defence Society challenged the Waikato Regional Councils Coastal Plan, stating they believed that biodiversity wasn't given sufficient consideration, their remedy was to form high protection area's (reserves) around the Alderman islands, all of the Mercury Islands, Cuvier Island and the top of the Coromandel plus bits of the West Coast.

I believe we submitted a very strong argument against their proposal. We covered areas of social, economic, and environmental issues. A shout out to the New Zealand Sports Fishing Council whose submission we were part of as was the local Business Association, The NZSFC brought an expert witness marine biologist and legal support. I do not believe our case would have been anywhere as strong without their support.

Club Governance

We have been fortunate again this year to have a committee that understands fishing and wants to promote sport fishing but also understands their governance role.

Special thanks to our VP Anne Smal, her contribution to the club has been immense again this year.

Also, a big shout out to the retiring Committee members Anne Smal, Brad Johnson and Dave Enright, thank you for your contribution to the governance of the club.

A huge shout out to Warren Harris who is retiring from the role of Patron this year he has been a driving force behind the club for 25 years plus. Warren has held many roles including Committee Member, President, Patron, Weighmaster extraordinaire, MBGFC Life Member, NZSFC Life Member and mentor to many. Warren your contribution to the club over last 25 years plus has been immense, and very much appreciated.

Our Club Is Our Volunteers

As with any club there is a huge number of people that contribute to the success of a club.

There is no question that for this club to function we need keen enthusiastic volunteers.

We held 12 tournaments this year. A huge shout out to the people who put their hand up to be tournament conveners, without them tournaments just do not happen! Tournaments are a huge part of our club's identity, and this role is not always an easy one.

We have 16 trained weighmasters who give their time freely, often when they would rather be fishing themselves. Thank you for your time, dedication, and integrity.

Also thank you to all the volunteers whether it be helping put up tents, selling raffle tickets or driving the courtesy van, you make the running of the club so much easier and contribute to the success of the club.

Sponsors shout out - Other key components of our club are our sponsors, your support is greatly appreciated as it allows us to make our tournaments more exciting and it keeps the club viable and able to focus on our membership. Our club sponsorship is provided in various forms, from our grid sponsors to leader board sponsors, tournament sponsors and general sponsors. I encourage you to know who these are and to support our sponsors when making retail decisions.

Our Commercial Team

I commented last year on our awesome staff and that is still the case this year. I would like to recognise the professionalism of our staff; we are truly fortunate with the calibre of staff we have.

We took the clubs yearbook in-house this year, thank you to all the people who contributed particularly Sarah and Caroline for putting together something I believe we can be proud of.

Thank you John our General Manager for your dedication during a challenging year.

Finally thank you to my wife Anne for her support, I know she has one or two ideas on how to fill my calendar after I stand down at the AGM.

A real privilege of this role has been opportunity to meet so many genuinely good people, way too many to name. Thank you all for your support.

Regards

Gordon McIvor
President

**ELECTION OF OFFICERS & COMMITTEE
COMMITTEE ATTENDANCES**

October 2024 – September 2025 (11 Meetings)

Gordon McIvor	10	Anne Smal	9
Warren Harris	8	Mark Franklin	8
Scott Farrell	10	Doug Ray	11
Brad Johnson	7	Dave Enright	6
Tim Hennessey	9	Diana Andrews	11
Craig Scarrott	9	John East	11

NOMINATIONS FOR 2025 -2026 POSITIONS

Patron: John Neighbours
President: Doug Ray
Vice President: Tim Hennessey

Committee: Diana Franklin, Ian Boyack, Scott Farrell, Mark Franklin,
Isreal Fussell, Craig Scarrott

The nominees above are duly elected

As the number of committee nominations do not match the positions available, two
committee nominations shall be accepted from the floor at the Annual General
Meeting and a ballot held if necessary as per the Constitution

Remit: Reincorporation of the [Club Name] under the Incorporated Societies Act 2022

That the members of the Mercury Bay Game Fishing Club resolve to:

1. Approve the re-registration (reincorporation) of the Club under the Incorporated Societies Act 2022, as required by the new legislation.
2. Adopt the new Constitution of the Club (tabled and circulated with this notice) in accordance with the requirements of the Incorporated Societies Act 2022.
3. Authorise the Committee to take all necessary steps to complete the re-registration process, including making any minor amendments to the Constitution that may be required by the Registrar of Incorporated Societies, provided such changes do not materially alter the intent of the Constitution approved by the members.

Remit: Amendment to Membership Fees

That the members of the Mercury Bay Game Fishing Club resolve to:

1. Approve the following changes to the Club's annual membership fees, effective from 1 July 2026:
 - o Adult Member: \$90.00 (currently \$80.00)
 - o Family Membership: \$150.00 (currently \$120.00)
 - o Junior Member: No change (currently \$15.00)
 - o Intermediate Member: No longer applicable as per new Constitution (currently \$30.00)
2. Authorise the Committee to update any necessary documentation to reflect the approved changes.

Remit: Amendment to Day Membership Fees

That the members of the Mercury Bay Game Fishing Club resolve to:

1. Approve the following changes to the Club's day membership fees, effective from 21 September 2025:
 - o Single Day Membership: \$20.00 (currently \$15.00)
 - o Four (Consecutive) Days Membership: \$50.00
2. Authorise the Committee to update any necessary documentation to reflect the approved changes.

PRIZEGIVING

The following lists contain the names of members who will be awarded certificates, plaques, pins, or trophies, at Prizegiving. T&R certificates will be available at the Office for collection.

Included are the Sherriff Drainage Tagging Club (Thanks to Jason and Kirsten Sherriff) contenders for \$2500. (You must be present to claim the Tagging Club prize). This draw will conclude Prizegiving.

If your name appears, please make every effort to attend. If you are unable to attend, your award will be available at the Office for collection.

CLUB RECORDS SET IN 2024-25

Date	Angler	Boat Name	Specifies	Weight/kg	Line
07.08.24	Levi Nicholson (J)	Vamos	Southern Bluefin Tuna	22.24	15
07.11.24	Clayton Gubb	Seasic	Slender Tuna	5.89	37
07.11.24	Caelen Gubb (J)	Seasic	Slender Tuna	5.96	15
07.11.24	Xavier Rush (J)	Opportunity	Slender Tuna	5.56	37
11.12.24	Caelen Gubb (J)	Seasic	Yellowfin Tuna	59.26	24
29.12.24	Lexi Ford (J)	Mabel	Yellowfin Tuna	64.9	24
11.01.25	Jack Hartstone (J)	Smuggler	Yellowfin Tuna	64	15
07.02.25	Koby Maxwell (J)	Mad Max	Yellowfin Tuna	31.86	60
07.02.25	Melissa Ford	Mabel	Kingfish	25.12	37
08.02.25	Koby Maxwell (J)	Mad Max	Albacore	17.53	60
22.03.25	Levi Nicholson (J)	Vamos	Trevally	2.37	3
05.04.25	Kelly Chambers	Ruckus	Striped Marlin	111.11	10
13.04.25	Liam Silvester (J)	Magic	Trevally	2.92	8
21.04.25	Beau Eccles (J)	Kermit	Trevally	2.99	8
03.05.25	Michael Nicholson	Vamos	Snapper	9.44	4
03.06.25	Caelen Gubb (J)	Seasic	Kingfish	16.09	6

PIN FISH 2024-25

Heavy Tackle

Date	Angler	Vessel	Specifies	Weight/kg	Line
18.07.24	James Davies	Asylum	Southern Bluefin Tuna	52.84	37
18.07.24	Jade Davies	Asylum	Southern Bluefin Tuna	73.82	37
28.07.24	Koby Maxwell	Mad Max	Albacore	15.76	15
02.12.24	Jackson Bradley	Kotare	Yellowfin Tuna	43.1	37
03.12.24	Anne Mclvor	Caprice	Yellowfin Tuna	52.42	37
11.12.24	Caelen Gubb	Sea Sic	Yellowfin Tuna	59.26	24
29.12.24	Lexi Ford	Mabel	Yellowfin Tuna	64.9	24
05.01.25	Anne Smal	Salt Air	Striped Marlin	112.04	37
11.01.25	Sam Stables	Vortex	Yellowfin Tuna	69.8	37
11.02.25	Tim Montgomerie	Recalibrate	Big Eye Tuna	110.2	60
20.02.25	Tyler Jenkins	Kalevu	Broadbill	162.7	37
21.02.25	Jason Sherriff	Rustler	Broadbill	169.4	60
21.02.25	James Cutfield	Fyssher	Broadbill	191.5	60
26.02.25	Bryce Hooton	Andiamo	Striped Marlin	136.3	37

Light Tackle

Date	Angler	Boat Name	Specifies	Weight/kg	Line
28.07.24	Blake Wilkins	Smuggler	Snapper	8.28	8
02.11.24	Michael Nicholson	Vamos	Kingfish	9.46	8
03.11.24	Tanya Patrick	Maximus	Kingfish	11.9	8
13.12.24	Kylie Phillips	Relief	Yellowfin Tuna	23.86	10
15.12.24	Jim Nicholson	Vamos	Snapper	5.48	3
21.02.25	Michael Nicholson	Vamos	Snapper	2.75	2
05.04.25	Kelly Chambers	Ruckus	Striped Marlin	111.11	10
22.04.25	Fergus Knox	Fishful Thinking	Snapper	3.2	1
03.05.25	Michael Nicholson	Vamos	Snapper	9.44	4
31.05.25	Jim Nicholson	Vamos	Snapper	7	6
03.06.25	Caelen Gubb	Seasic	Kingfish	16.09	6

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5/04/2025	Kelly Chambers	Ruckus	Striped Marlin	111.11	10
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FIRST FISH OF THE SEASON IN NZ 2024-2025

Date	Angler	Vessel	Species	Weight	Line
11.07.24	Casey Riedinger	Vortex	Albacore	11.94	24
07.11.24	Caelen Gubb	Seasic	Slender Tuna	5.96	15

HEAVIEST FISH OF THE SEASON IN NZ 2024-2025

Date	Angler	Vessel	Species	Weight	Line
07.11.24	Caelen Gubb	Seasic	Slender Tuna	5.96	15
08.03.25	Drew Edwards	Sea R Lis	Hapuka	39.18	60

SHERRIFF DRAINAGE TAGGING CLUB

This year because the season was so good with broadbill in all our waters, we have incorporated this species into this year's draw. Therefore, the draw will consist of marlin and broadbill tagged and released in the clubs fishing waters.

A massive thank you goes out to Jason & Kirsten Sherriff from Sherriff Drainage, one lucky angler will take away \$2500, however, you must be present at Prizegiving to claim the money.

Congratulations to all the anglers that are in the draw.

1	Clayton Gubb	23	Kelly Chambers
2	Tamsin McCarthy	24	Richard Hart
3	Max Flowerday	25	Kelly Chambers
4	Melanie Clarke	26	Jason van Esch
5	Heather Savill	27	Mike Limbrick
6	Quenten Kew	28	Jason van Esch
7	Dana Ohlson	29	Luke Findlay
8	Koby Maxwell	30	Jason van Esch
9	Shane Davy	31	Blake Scotland
10	Mike Kuypers	32	Scott Evans
11	Mason Norgrove	33	Daniel Wilson
12	Ross Phillips	34	Hayden Diskin
13	Daniel Wilson	35	David Smith
14	Tony Croft	36	Kane Pickens
15	Glenn Bradley	37	Mason Norgrove
16	Nicola Candy	38	Matt Baskett
17	Stephen Silcock	39	Nicola Candy
18	Peter Maher	40	Jeff Kerwin
19	Shirwin Lee		
20	Bryce Hooton		
21	Daniel McLaren		
22	Bryan Medcalfe		

T & R CERTIFICATES

All the anglers in the Sherriff Drainage Tagging Club will be awarded T & R Certificates.

The following anglers will also be awarded T & R Certificates for other species or for striped marlin and broadbill tagged outside local waters or not complying with all Club rules.

Striped Marlin

Chloe Roberts x2
Dugal Macfarlane
Grace Bell
Jade Davies
James Davies

Yellowfin Tuna

Anne Smal x 3
Bailey Callagher
Ben Sullivan
Bevan Davies
Blake Wilkins

Yellowfin Tuna

Joe Steel
Kate Davies x 2
Kelly Chambers x 3
Kelly Sullivan
Koby Maxwell

Kelly Chambers
Maz Dunn x7
Mike English
Neil Warner
Nicola Candy x7
Peter Maher
Tony Croft
Wayne Macfarlane x4

Bruce McBain x2
Caelen Gubb x3
Caleb Callagher
Cam Kennedy x5
Chloe Robers x4
Clayton Gubb x2
Craig Devcich x 2
Daniel Wilson
Jades Davies x 3
James Cutfield x 4
James Davies x 5
Janel Smal
Jody Verryt x 5

Kylie Phillips
Lisa Hogbom
Louis Twyman
Mark Davies x 5
Matthew Watson x3
Nicola Candy x2
Rachel Johnstone
Ray George x3
Rob Franklin
Rod Johnson x2
Tanya Patrick
Tawhirimatea O'Brien x4
Tony Croft x2
Vicki Krissansen

Broadbill
Ben Sullivan
James Cutfield
Jason Sherriff x6
Kelly Sullivan
Lucas McIver
Miriam Sullivan
Nicola Candy x3
Tyler Jenkins

Shortbill Spearfish
Jack Rodgers
Kelly Chambers
William Yeeles

Bronzewhale Shark
Caelen Gubb
Zoie Johnson

Bluefin Tuna
Jade Davies
James Davies
Mark Davies x 3

NZSFC NATIONALS
15th– 22nd FEBRUARY 2025

Section One:

Team Trophies : NZ Wide (Top Team with the most points from the top scoring fish from each of the 13 species)

Broadbill	3 rd	Rustler	2356.67pts
Mahimahi	3 rd	Relief	39.00pts
Striped Marlin	1 st	Smuggler (John Hough Memorial Trophy)	4200.00pts
Tuna	2 nd	Fyssher	1650.00pts

Section Two: NZ Champion Angler (Points for Single Fish)

Mahimahi	2 nd	Mark Phillips	39.00pts
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Section Three: NZ Champion Line Weight Angler (Single Fish)

Albacore	2 nd	Jarrad Hill	10kg line	2.52kg
Broadbill	2 nd	Tyler Jenkins	37kg line	162.70kg
	1 st	James Cutfield	60kg line	191.50kg
	2 nd	Rod Johnson	60kg line	170.40kg
	3 rd	Jason Sherriff	60kg line	169.40kg
Mahimahi	2 nd	Mark Phillips	10kg line	3.90kg
Snapper	2 nd	Jim Nicholson	4kg line	5.34kg
Tuna	1 st	Kylie Phillips	10kg line	10.08kg
	2 nd	James Young	60kg line	32.50kg

Section Four: NZ Champion Broadbill Angler (All Points Scoring Fish)

3 rd	Jason Sherriff	1756.67pts
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NZ Champion Striped Marlin Angler (All Points Scoring Fish)

1 st	Maz Dunn	4200.00pts
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Section Six: T & R (Most Tagged Fish)

Striped Marlin	1 st	Maz Dunn	7
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Section Eleven: Interclub (Top Five Points Scoring Fish)

Broadbill	2 nd	MBGFC	3000pts
Mahimahi	3 rd	MBGFC	54.68pts

Section Thirteen: Varta Cup (Top Three Points Scoring Fish)

Nationals:

1 st	New Plymouth Sportfishing & Underwater Club	1865.33pts
2 nd	Muriwai Sports Fishing Club	1838.92pts
3 rd	Counties Sports Fishing Club	1800.00pts
4 th	Waihou Bay Sports Fishing Club	1800.00pts
10 th	Mercury Bay Game Fishing Club	1800.00pts

Regional (Zone 3 – Coromandel)	1 st	Mercury Bay	1800.00pts
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Section Fourteen A: Top Team From Each Club (Highest Points Scoring Fish of each of the 13 species)

1 st	Fyssher	750pts
2 nd	Mile Zero	600pts
3 rd	Kalevu	600pts

Section Fourteen B: Top Team From Each Region (Zone 3 Coromandel) - (Highest Points Scoring Fish of each of the 13 species)

1 st	Fyssher	750pts
2 nd	Mile Zero	600pts
3 rd	Kalevu	600pts

NZSFC YOUTH NATIONALS

12th – 27th APRIL 2025

Our junior anglers put in a massive effort representing the club over the 2 weeks of this year's nationals, running alongside the Hunting & Fishing Whitianga Junior Tournament. Persisting through the tough weather conditions, we once again had the highest number of anglers at 159 entered over the 22 participating clubs in a record year for entries, with the club placing 8th overall in the interclub competition

Here are our place getters! A special mention to the following anglers on their outstanding results...

Parker Churches	1st	All Tackle Primary Kingfish
Beau Eccles	1st	All Tackle Primary Trevally
Levi Nicholson	10 th	Overall Champion Angler Primary
Fergus Knox	9th	Overall Champion Angler High School

Section A: **Champion NZ Youth Angler High School**

Kingfish	3 rd	Xavier Rush	49.33pts	11.84kg	24kg line class
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Section A: **Champion NZ Youth Angler Primary**

Kingfish	2 nd	Parker Churches	98.67pts	14.8kg	15kg line class
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Section B: **NZ Champion All Tackle Youth Angler High School**

Kahawai	3 rd	Zoie Johnson	2.22kg	10kg line class
Snapper	2 nd	Kobi Te Manu	7.47kg	All tackle
Trevally	3 rd	Kaeden Willis	2.94kg	All tackle

Section B: **NZ Champion All Tackle Youth Angler Primary**

Kahawai	2 nd	Frankie Hamilton	2.52kg	4kg line class
	3 rd	Lachie Pedersen	2.34kg	10kg line class
Kingfish	1 st	Parker Churches	14.80kg	15kg line class
	3 rd	Koby Maxwell	9.67kg	60kg line class
Snapper	3 rd	Chase Whitford	7.56kg	10kg line class
Trevally	1 st	Beau Eccles	2.99kg	8kg line class
	2 nd	Liam Silvester	2.92kg	8kg line class
	3 rd	Rio Eccles	2.82kg	6kg line class

Section E: **T&R High School Shark**

3 rd	Caelen Gubb	1 fish
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Section G: **Club Champion High School – MBGFC**

1 st	Fergus Knox	320pts
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2 nd	Caelen Gubb	203.58pts
3 rd	Xavier Rush	146.46pts

Section G: Club Champion Primary MBGFC

1 st	Levi Nicholson	257pts
2 nd	Hunter Nicholson	210pts
3 rd	Frankie Hamilton	206.67pts

2024-2025 TROPHY WINNERS

SOMERVELL CUP

First Gamefish of Season

18.07.24 James Davies 52.84kg SBT

PEACHEY-GARDINER TROPHY

First Gamefish of Season by Lady Angler

18.07.24 Jade Davies 73.82kg SBT

WINTER TROPHY

Gamefish Scoring Most Points during Winter Season

Brad Johnson SBT 268pts - 64.4kg on 24kg line

FRED FORDE CUP

First Billfish of Season

Clayton Gubb 11.12.24 T/R Striped Marlin

MARJORIE DAW CUP

First Marlin of Season - Non Charter Launch

Seasic 11.12.24

PRESIDENTS TROPHY

First Marlin of Season by Lady Angler

Tamsin McCarthy 29.12.24 T/R Striped Marlin

ROWLEY SMITH TROPHY

Skipper of Vessel Catching First Broadbill of Season

07.02.25 Nathan Wilson / Shamrock

TUNA TROPHY

Heaviest Tuna during Tuna Tournament

Caelen Gubb 59.26kg YFT

CONNIE SIMONS MEMORIAL TROPHY

Most Points Scored during Nationals – Mercury Bay v Tairua-Pauanui

Mercury Bay

NZBGFC TROPHY

Team Scoring Most Points during Nationals

Smuggler 4200pts

JUNIOR SNAPPER TROPHY

Heaviest Snapper during Junior Tournament

Chase Whitford 7.56kg

LADIES BLUE HEAVIEST BILLFISH TROPHY

Heaviest Billfish During Ladies Blue

Salt Air 112.04kg St Marlin

LADIES BLUE TAG & RELEASE TROPHY

Most Tag & Release Billfish during Ladies Blue

Big 00 (Meadow Kearns – Tairua Pauanui SFC)

LADIES BLUE HEAVIEST TUNA TROPHY

Heaviest Tuna during Ladies Blue

Sirius 56.98kgs YFT

LADIES BLUE OVERALL TROPHY

Champion Team in Ladies Blue

Big 00 (Meadow Kearns – Tairua Pauanui SFC)

HOLLINS CUP

Last Marlin of Season

Kelly Chambers 05.04.25 Striped Marlin

COLLIER TROPHY

Last Marlin of Season in Local Waters

Kelly Chambers 05.04.25 Striped Marlin

JOHN BURNS TROPHY

Heaviest Gamefish of Season

James Cutfield 191.5kg Broadbill

10:1 TROPHY

Heaviest Fish Weighing Ten Times Breaking Strain of Line

Kelly Chambers 111.11kg St Marlin 10kg line

WISEMANS CUP

Launch Catching Heaviest Gamefish of Season

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LADY JOCELYN CUP

Heaviest Gamefish of Season by Lady Angler

Kelly Chambers 156.8kg Broadbill

McGEADY CUP

Heaviest Gamefish of Season caught on light tackle

Kelly Chambers 111.11kg striped marlin on 10kg

JACKSON CUP

Champion Team in Light Tackle

Ruckus 1111.10pts

PAUL BARRETT MEMORIAL TROPHY

Heaviest Broadbill of Season

James Cutfield Broadbill 191.5kgs

STEVENSON TROPHY

Heaviest Billfish of Season Excluding Black or Striped Marlin

James Cutfield Broadbill 191.5kgs

WINSTANLEY CUP

Heaviest Marlin of Season by Local Angler

Bryce Hooton 136.3kg SM

ARTHUR TAYLOR MEMORIAL TROPHY

Heaviest Striped Marlin of Season

Bryce Hooton 136.3kg

LISTER DIESEL CUP

Striped Marlin Scoring Most Points

Kelly Chambers 1111.10pts

TISDALL CUP

Heaviest Striped Marlin of Season by Lady Angler

Anne Smal 112.04kg

SUNBIRD TROPHY

Heaviest Tuna of Season

Tim Montgomerie 110.16kg Big Eye

HOWARD MADILL MEMORIAL CUP

Tuna Scoring Most Points

Jack Hartstone YFT 427pts

ROKSTAD CUP

Heaviest Yellowfin Tuna of Season

Sam Stables 69.8kg

JP CRAWFORD CUP

Yellowfin Tuna Scoring Most Points Caught On Light Tackle

Kylie Phillips 23.86kgs on 10kg line / 239pts

MURRAY FAMILY CUP

Heaviest Kingfish of Season

Melissa Ford 25.12kg

H.F. ALLOWAY CUP

Kingfish Scoring Most Points by Lady Angler

Tanya Patrick 148.75pts 11.9kg on 8kg line

HAROLD BEALE MEMORIAL TROPHY

Kingfish Scoring Most Points Caught on Light Tackle

Caelen Gubb 268pts 16.09kg on 6kg line

MAHIMAHI TROPHY

Heaviest Mahimahi of Season

Leon Melde 11.6kg

WHITIANGA HOTEL TROPHY

Kahawai Scoring Most Points

Mark Phillips 1.82kg on 2kg line 91pts

ROY DALE TROPHY

Heaviest Snapper of Season

Mike Taylor 11.23kg

HUGHES JUNIOR CUP

Heaviest Gamefish of Season by Junior Angler

Jade Davies 73.82kg Bluefin Tuna

VERCOE CUP

Most Meritorious Catch by Junior Angler

Jack Hartstone YFT 64kg on 15kg line 427pts

DR. MACKERETH CUP

Gamefish Scoring Most Points by Junior Angler

450pts T/R Jade Davies, James Davies, Koby Maxwell

TEMPEST CUP

Heaviest Tuna of Season by Junior Angler

Jade Davies SBT 73.82kg

MATTHEW WHITFORD MEMORIAL TROPHY

Heaviest Snapper of Season by Junior Angler

Chase Whitford 7.56kg

KERR TROPHY

Small Fry Angler Scoring Most Points for Season

Koby Maxwell 942pts

CORBANS WINES TROPHY

Launch Catching Most Billfish

Mile Zero (23) 17 SM & 6 BB

TICKLE PINK TROPHY

Launch Releasing Most Billfish

Mile Zero (21)

SHIRAZ CUP

Skipper of Launch Scoring Most Points in Local Waters on Heavy Tackle

Mark Davies / Asylum 2792pts

HUGHES & COSSAR TROPHY

Non Charter Launch Scoring Most Points for Season

Mile Zero 10689pts

FRANK SCALE CUP

Mercury Bay Based Charter Launch Scoring Most Points for Season

Stackattack 1350pts

HOOVER CUP

Angler Scoring Most Points for Season

Nicola Candy 6308pts

TROPHIES NOT WON**ROSSCRETE CUP**

First Black Marlin of Season

McQUILLAN CUP

Heaviest Billfish During Ladies Tournament

AMARILLO CUP

Heaviest Tuna during Ladies Tournament

KILWELL TROPHY

Heaviest Marlin during Mercury Bay Open

MISS NEW ZEALAND TROPHY

Lady Angler Scoring Most Points during Mercury Bay Open

FRANK BROWN MEMORIAL TROPHY

Skipper of Champion Team in Mercury Bay Open

THE CLASSIC CUP

Team Catching Heaviest Billfish during Kubota Billfish Classic

AMARILLO CUP

Heaviest Tuna during Ladies Tournament

KILWELL SPORTS INTERCLUB TROPHY

Heaviest Snapper - Interclub Zone 3