

2018 MATAKANA MARINE *IERCURY*

Silver\$ drops in to another 4m trough on the way back

Saturday 2nd & Sunday 3rd June (Queens Birthday wkend)

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We all know it's a Winter tournament, but that was on the ugly end of the weather scale.

A bit like last year, but without the redeeming calm and sunshine on the Sunday. Stay with us though, we're due for a goodie next year!

Staying with us again this year is our generous and loyal main sponsor—Matakana Marine and Mercury. Aaron and Matt run a highly mobile and capable team. Their ability to hook you up with a sweet Mercury marine power solution is guaranteed. Hunting & Fishing Warkworth is in their first year of new ownership. Larry and Anne always looked after us, and Colin is continuing that support. Next year it looks like Shimano could be working with us through H&F Warkworth to further boost the impressive prizepool. Matakana ITM gave us our highly sought after average

weight prize—James and Shane handing over the 18V kit without hesitation. NZ Fishing News vouchers always bring a smile (thanks Grant) and of course we can't do better than Fogdog'ed snapper on Sunday—thank you Andrew (FogDog).









Paul McNeil, Barry Plumpton (skipper), Tammy Plumpton, and Dave Hatch on X-Cellerate, long time 10kg fishers and always in the results











These pies and more at WWGIC.CO. NZ

Contestant numbers were down on last year even with a similar forecast. 68 Seniors and 2 Juniors braved the elements, and thankfully made it back again. Next year we're looking at introducing a 'nasty weather tournament bounds', but of course we won't need it because the weather will be mint. The main reason for a weather induced restricted area is of course participant safety.

Although the top 10 snappers were down on size, the average was well up. Our 90cm minimum on kingfish kept kingis safe, and the trevally and kahawai sections did not feature the Sumo fish we often get in this event.

The measure section was introduced this year, with the emphasis on catching and releasing snapper and kingfish in good, survivable shape. Once there's a couple of nice fish on ice it's pretty buzzy letting other fish go. Fish handling (or even better, not handling) is paramount to their survivability, check out **fishcare.co.nz**

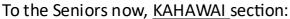
Let's start with our Juniors. This was Korbyn Barratts last year as a Junior and he would've knocked over all except one of the weighed Senior snappers! He also would've taken out the measured snapper section. Look out next year.

Junior angler 1st place, Korbyn Barratt on Bloodline with his 6.994kg snapper, Max Stenbeck wasn't far behind with his 6.037kg snapper on Dirty Berty, and Daniel McFarlane was 3rd on Slap n Tickle.

Our traditional Earlybird prize of a quality chilly bin, hundreds of dollars in gold coins, rum, and other bits of tackle treasure was won by long time participant Andrew Voight on Freedom. There were only 21 Earlybirds so the odds weren't as long as last year (60+ Earlybirds).

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1st Lewis Hicks on Extreme KAOS 2.313kg

2nd Alby Petersen on Luna-Sea 2.260kg

3rd David Casey on Stella Maris 2.203kg

The TREVALLY section:

1st Jason Kelly on Luna-Sea 1.820kg
2nd Tammy Plumpton on X-Cellerate 1.059kg

3rd Paul McNeil on X-Cellerate 1.1015kg

The heaviest snapper weighed on Saturday prize went to John Saunders from Lost the Plot at 2.249kg.

Our new measured kingfish section and the traditional weighed kingfish sections were not contended so those prizes got redistributed through the other sections where fish were caught or measured.

The measured snapper section (junior) was nailed by Korbyn Barratt at 70cm. His crew on Bloodline found somewhere out of the rough and pretty fishy—a good combo. Senior measured snapper went 1st Ally Blank on Karere 69cm, 2nd Ben Wyatt on Xena 66cm, and 3rd Vance Barratt on Bloodline 63cm.

<u>Average snappers:</u> 2007/1.94kg, 2008/2.53kg, 2009/2.37kg, 2010/2.03kg, 2011/2.01kg, 2012/2.768kg, 2013/2.520kg, 2014/2.555kg, 2015/2.467kg, 2016/2.699kg, 2017/2.223kg, **2018/2.557kg**

<u>Biggest snappers:</u> 2007/9.608kg, 2008/8.722kg, 2009/7.726kg, 2010/9.994kg, 2011/7.798kg, 2012/10.200kg, 2013/8.522kg, 2014/9.929kg, 2015/8.803kg, 2016/9.466kg, 2017/10.826kg, **2018/7.276kg**



Tuniors snowing up the Seniors Big TIME this year, T to B: Korbyn Barratt 6.994kg, Oliver Adams (Snr tkt) 5.802kg, Tammy Plumpton (Snr tkt) 5.245kg, and Max Stenbeck 6.037kg





Every now and then we feel like handing out a Hard Luck prize. There was a well embedded large hook in a hand, and apparently a scrape with oysters after dragging anchor. Like usual, other incidents come to light after Prize Giving, but the clear 'winner' is surely our mate Brownie. Last years report shows the pic of his lower right leg with supporting rods through it and stiches holding the meat together after a ladder bucked him off. So Wayne Brown had a slow but steady recovery last year and bought his ticket the Tuesday before this years tournament. The next morning he broke the same leg in almost the same place. That's just wrong! Speedy recovery mate, see you at the One Base in January.

We've got a new website, same address:

wwgfc.co.nz

Check us out, tournament photos and other goodies for you to browse at during the next mind-numbing seminar you have to attend. Our Records Office Cam keeps our Facebook page current too, thanks Cam.

The weighed senior <u>SNAPPER</u> section looked like this:

1st	Aaron Latuselu	7.276kg
2nd	Ben Wyatt (Xena)	6.376kg
3rd	Dave Adams (Blue Wazoo)	5.921kg
4th	Oliver Adams (Blue Wazoo)	5.802kg
5th	Travis Moore (Beer Essentials)	5.656kg
6th	Tony Fraser (Leer Up)	5.409kg
7th	Paul McNeil (X-Cellerate)	5.385kg
8th	Ally Blank (Karere)	5.343kg
9th	Tammy Plumpton (X-Cellerate)	5.245kg
10th	Dave Hatch (X-Cellerate)	4.617kg

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You know it's rough out there when a ship this size shelters behind Gt Barrier for a couple of days



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So how different was the fishing this year compared to last year? Well last years 6th place snapper would have won this year!

The <u>AVERAGE WEIGHT SNAPPER</u> was up though at 2.557kg, caught by Wade Styles on Beer Essentials. Wade takes the Matakana ITM Makita 18V drill kit this year. Last years average was 2.223kg.

The 10kg Trophy goes to the WGFC member with the best result in the tournament, and this year Ben Wyatt picks it up.

Thanks to the great committee that throw this event together, especially Louise O'Sullivan. Also Andrew, Scott, and Carlton for filleting, Chrissy and Louise for photos, Michelle and Louise weighing/recording, Tom for road signs, Cam for prize set up. Thanks again to our sponsors—please remember to let them know

you had an excellent 10kg tournament and are looking forward to next years one. Thank you anglers for being a great crowd, good sports, and for getting home safely!

Warkworth Gamefish Club
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MATAKANA MARINE & MERCURY





Warkworth Gamefish Club's annual 10KG Fishing Tournament

CATCHES MUST BE MADE ON 10KG (OR LESS) TESTED LINE. SEE THE RULES REGARDING USE OF BRAID LINES

6am Saturday 2 June to weigh-in by 4pm Sunday 3 June (Queens Birthday weekend)

Ticket \$70 and \$20 Junior, tickets include Sunday prizegiving dinner

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Adult Tickets limited to 130, can be bought from: Matakana Marine, WW Hunting & Fishing, Snells Beach Fish & Dive, Tackle & Outdoor WW, Top Catch Whangaparaoa OR ph Louise 027 425 7224 - SALES end 5pm 1st June 2018

Stacks of great prizes

\$1,000 FOR HEAVIEST SNAPPER

Snappers to 10 places
Kahawai to 3 places
Kingfish to 3 places
Trevally to 3 places

Heaviest Snapper at Saturday weigh in

AVERAGE weight snapper

NEW—measure & release - Snappers to 3 places, 1st Kingfish

Plus junior prize pool loads of spot prizes

Spool your reel with 10KG line at Sandspit Yacht Club,

Thursday May 18 th 5pm to 7.00pm

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Early Bird prize tickets bought before 6 pm Fri 18th May. Prize is a chillybin (treasure chest!) of hundreds in gold coins and a bottle of rum, Aaargh!



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Coming up: 28th July 4pm WGFC AGM & Annual Prize Giving at SYC.

Complimentary food, door prize, bar open. A good mid Winter catch up to hatch plans for next season and celebrate yours and your fellow Qub members successes.

Early November: The WGFC annual Ladies Fishing Event. Open to pretty much anyone that knows some one in WGFC/SYC. Great prizes, fun times. Dress up theme this year: Vikings! More info doser to the time but book the boat in now. See reports on our website from previous years.

25th—27th January 2019 WGFC One Base at Great Barrier. Legendary prizepool including cash, great Sunday dinner, tickets limited. Details out in November.

Had a good time? Been to our tournament(s) and like what you see? Contact us if you'd like your business to join our other valued sponsors. Or, would you like to be involved at a committee level? Catch up with us before or on the day of our AGM and we'll welcome you to our chilled but effective committee. You can do as much or as little as you want to.

Wanna join up? Membership application forms are on our website. Our season runs from 01 July to 30th June each year. WGFC is proudly affiliated to the NZ Sport Fishing Council and the IGFA. Club membership makes applying for NZ Records, entering other Clubs comps, and access to other Clubrooms much easier. WGFC has a round 300 members. www.wwgfc.co.nz

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