



Proudly invites you to attend

TOHATSU AUSTRALIA EAST COAST CLASSIC TOURNAMENT

Saturday 14th & Sunday 15th March
2026



14TH & 15TH MARCH 2026



1. TOURNAMENT COMMITTEE

The tournament committee shall consist of Newcastle Game Fishing Club Incorporated committee members. President Warrick Lambert 0447 120 807. Secretary Brett Small 0408 869 561. Treasurer Aleshia Lambert 0401 715 206.

2. ENTRIES

Boat skippers must read all tournament rules and fully complete application form and fees email to Newcastle Game Fishing Club at secretary@ngfc.com.au no later than Thursday 13th March 2026 at 6.00pm with proof of electronic payment. The cost of entry is \$180 for an adult angler, \$80 junior angler (11years to under 16 years at commencement of briefing), \$40.00 small fry angler (under 11 years at commencement of briefing) which includes cocktail food at Presentation. **RSVP to secretary@ngfc.com.au for Presentation no later than Monday 16th March 2026 at 6pm.** Newcastle Game Fishing Club reserve the right to refuse entry to the Tournament.

3. LATE ENTRIES

Late entries will be accepted however, after 6pm on THURSDAY 13th March 2026 will incur a \$50 late application fee per boat.

4. TEAMS

Anglers entering the tournament must be financial members (or life members) of any club affiliated with New South Wales Game Fishing Association (NSWGFA) and clubs affiliated with other state associations that are affiliated with the Game Fishing Association (GFAA). There must be a minimum of 2 adult anglers per boat under 8 metres and a minimum of 3 adult anglers per boat over 8 metres with a maximum limit to the number of anglers on each boat to comply with NSW Waterways Authority vessel capacity plate. All anglers are reminded to observe the NSWGFA Media Policy. NOTE: The skipper and any person involved in effecting a capture or T&R must be a paid angler. Any vessel found to be using a person not entered in the tournament assisting in a capture or tag and release will be disqualified from the tournament.

5. REPLACEMENT OF BOATS AND COMPETITORS

No replacement of boat or competitors of whatever reason will be allowed after the commencement of the tournament. Anglers may not affect a capture or tag and release on any other vessel than he/she is registered on. Captured fish, tag and release card, the angler, all equipment used in the capture or tag must be presented to the weigh station on the vessel on which the capture, tag & release was effected and may not be transferred to another vessel, however in the case of an emergency situation the Tournament Committee may at their discretion allow the transfer of an angler/fish and equipment used to effect the capture or tag.

6. SEAWORTHINESS OF BOATS

All boats must comply with NSW Maritime waterways regulations for safety equipment and the safety standards of the vessel's home club. A "Boat Safety Recue form" is included in part of the application form and must be completed and signed by the Boat

skipper. All boats must carry a 406 MHz EPIRB and have two working marine radios fitted one of which must be VHF frequency.

7. INSURANCE

It is mandatory for all boats to carry Third Party Property Damage and Third-Party Personal Injury Insurance to be a minimum of \$5,000,000 and a copy of policy details MUST be supplied with boat entry form before entry can be accepted.

8. STATUTORY REQUIREMENTS

All anglers must carry Saltwater Fishing Licences (if applicable). Bag limit and size restrictions must also be adhered to. All competitors are reminded that it is an offence to tie any vessel to objects such as wave riders, FADs or fish trap buoys.

9. FISHING DAYS AND TIMES

Saturday 14th March 2026 7.00am to 5.00pm

NOTE: Any fish hooked and reported to Game Fish Base prior to end of fishing may be played out and if caught will be eligible for the tournament.

Sunday 15th March 2026 7.00am to 5.00pm

NOTE: Any fish hooked and reported to Game Fish Base prior to end of fishing must be at Newcastle Weigh Station by 9.00pm to be eligible for tournament point score. After 9.00pm they become personal point score only.

10. FISHING BOUNDARIES

Tournament boundaries are as follows -

Northern – 32° 24”S – 153° 0”E

Southern – 33° 30”S – 153° 0”E

As per NGFC Sched Map (in Tournament bag or as per NGFC Website)

11. BAD WEATHER/GALE WARNINGS

To avoid taking unnecessary risks in the event of bad weather NGFC Committee will decide whether the day will be a competition day or not. Boats should establish early morning contact with Game Fish Base or NGFC President or Secretary at the weigh Station. In the event of bad weather developing after start fishing NGFC Committee will decide whether the competition will be called off for the remainder of the day. All fish caught prior to cancellation will be eligible for the competition.

Cancellation will only apply until the Gale warning has been lifted.

A declaration of a Gale Warning by the appropriate government weather authority will automatically require cancellation of the tournament. In the event of a declaration whilst vessels are at sea, such vessels are required to cease fishing immediately and return to port. The tournament committee accepts no responsibility for decisions made by individuals whether to put to seas or not, having regard to the committee's decision on the tournament day. The ultimate decision on returning to port remains with the competitors.

12. LEAVING PORT

On Saturday 14th March 2026 boats may leave from their home port but CANNOT commence burleying, trolling or fishing before Game Fish Base announces the official start of fishing at

7.00am. If a boat is not at that time within the prescribed fishing area on all fishing days, it cannot commence fishing until such time that it is within the tournament fishing boundary.

13. RETURN TO PORT

On Saturday 14th March 2026, ALL boats (including trailer boats) MUST return to Newcastle Harbour. Any boat that does not abide by this rule will be disqualified from the tournament.

On Sunday 15th March 2026, all boats (Including trailer boats), MUST leave via Newcastle Harbour but may elect to return directly to their home port after fishing. All boats MUST still affect a sign-off with Game Fish Base. Failure to report on your return will invoke a penalty of disqualification of all tag & release points & captures for that day.

NOTE: ALL TAG AND RELEASE CARDS + CAPTURE CERTIFICATES MUST BE PRESENTED AT THE NGFC WEIGH STATION IN THE YACHT CLUB ON SATURDAY NIGHT.

On Sunday ONLY, Boats returning to an alternate port on Sunday 15th March 2026 can submit Tag Cards via photos using either email or SMS to the point scorer, David Stringer - support@itsfishing.com.au or 0402 953 738 by 9.00pm Sunday 15th March 2025. Anglers are required to have a reply confirmation from Dave Stringer for verification.

To be eligible for the Capture Prizes, the weighing of a fish MUST be presented at the NGFC Weigh station before 9.00pm. NOTE: When submitting photos of tag cards from an alternate port, all documents must also include pictures of the paperwork, angler and all tackle used + MUST include evidence that they are back in Port and have not submitted the paperwork whilst still at sea. NO EXCEPTIONS !!

Tag & Release or Capture Points WILL NOT be awarded for Tag Cards or Capture Certificates presented or sent that are incomplete, not readable or have incorrect information listed.

Any fish hooked and still being fought before the end of fishing on Saturday may be played out providing that Tag or Capture are completed & submitted as per above rules.

14. WEIGHSTATION PROCEDURE

Once boats enter the vicinity of the weigh station, they are under control of the tournament Official at the weigh station and MUST obey all instructions issued by the Official. Before coming alongside the weigh station, boats must have completed and have ready for presentation all equipment used to affect the capture and Tag & Release and applicable paperwork. Weigh station will open at 4.00pm on each day, however Weighmaster will be on call prior.

15. RADIO COMMUNICATION

- Radio schedules (sches) will be conducted as per NSWGFA Guidelines for Radio Scheds for Tournaments.
- Game Fish Base will call each boat in numerical order on ch80 (VHF)
- The radio schedule time will be 7.10am, 9.10am, 11.10am, 1.10pm, 3.10pm, 5.10pm Saturday & Sunday.
- Boats must keep the air way clear (10 minutes) prior to end of fishing so late hook ups may be recorded by Game Fish Base on each fishing day.
- The number of people on board is to be advised during the first sched for the day.
- Boats are to report each sched as follows:
 1. Boat Number
 2. Boat Name

3. Accurate Fishing Report – using “000” system, i.e. Strikes – Hook ups – Captures/Tag and Release and specify species – Line class – angler and accurate approximation of weight of fish (using weight/length graph in boat bag).
4. Position – using Newcastle Game Fishing Club Grid Chart reference and whether boat is currently trolling, drifting etc.

Please Note:

- If any vessel is unable to fish on any competition day, it is a requirement that Game Fish Base be notified, either by radio or phone Leanne Hoff 0418 570 629 before the 2nd sched starts as a priority.
- Should any vessel suffer total radio failure, the Boat Skipper must attempt to notify another vessel of the problem and have them notify Game Fish Base, they must return to port immediately. Once in port it is the responsibility of the skipper to sign off with Game Fish Base via phone.
- If a vessel misses two (2) scheds, Game Fish Base will commence the emergency procedures.
- Captures and Tag & Release not reported on the radio sched will not be eligible in the tournament point score or trophies.
- All boats are to report on EVERY sched.
- All boats must report to Game Fish Base on returning to port.
- Radio silence must be observed for (10minutes) prior to conclusion of fishing to allow for report of late hook ups.
- At the final sched for the day each boat is required to confirm their ETR back to Port and current grid position.

16. FISH HANDLING

All fish should be removed from the weigh station after weighing. Competitors (and boat crew) must not, without a tournament officials permission, clean, fillet or remove shark jaws in the vicinity of the weigh station, not at any time near any beach or harbour foreshore area. Unwanted fish must be taken at least 2nm outside the port and disposed of in an appropriate manner. Note: fish MUST NOT be disposed of in a marine park. Failure to comply with this rule will revoke a penalty against offending boat. In the event of any shark or marlin given away for eating, only the fillets may be given, and the remaining carcass is the responsibility of the skipper and crew.

17. FISHING RULES

The Tournament will be fished in accordance with the “Fishing Rules and Tackle Regulations” of the NSWGFA & GFAA for both capture and tag & release as are in effect at the time of the tournament.

- **LINE CLASS** – 4kg, 6kg, 8kg, 10kg, 15kg, 24kg, 37kg and 60kg. NOTE: No points/trophies shall be awarded for sharks captured on 4kg.
- **ELIGIBILIE SPECIES** – as per NSWGFA eligible species list.
- **MINIMUM WEIGHT OF SHARKS (except for junior/Small Fry)** – Must weigh a minimum of 70kg on line classes 6kg and a minimum of 90kg on 15kg to 37kg and a minimum of 130kg on 60kg line.

Junior/Small Fry: a minimum of 60kg on line classes 6kg to 10kg; a minimum of 80kg on 60kg line.

Shark – Tiger NEW Minimum Weights	120kg on line classes 6-10kg 200kg on line classes 15-24kg, 250kg on line classes 37-60kg
Shark – Blue New Minimum Weights	100kg on line classes 6-10kg 125kg on line classes 15-24kg 150kg on line classes 37-60kg

- **MINIMUM WEIGHT OF MARLIN** (except for Junior/Small Fry) – Must weigh a minimum of 70 kg on line classes to 10kg and a minimum of 90kg on 15kg line class and over.
Junior/Small Fry: a minimum of 60 kg on line classes 4kg to 10kg and a minimum of 80kg on 15kg line class and over.
- **MINIMUM WEIGHT YELLOWFIN/SOUTHERN BLUEFIN TUNA (except for Junior/Small Fry)** – 15kg on line classes up to and including 15kg line, equal to line class for over 15kg line, and for junior anglers equal to the line class in all cases.
Junior/Small Fry: Yellowfin Tuna/ Southern Bluefin Tuna: 15kg on line classes up to and including 15kg line, equal to line class for over 15kg, and for junior anglers equal to the line class in all cases.
- **MINIMUM WEIGHT OTHER GAME FISH AND BROADBILL** – Minimum weight to be equal to the line class used.
- **MINIMUM LENGTHS** – For Tag and Release of Yellowtail Kingfish is 70cm
For Tag and Release of Sharks is 100cm
- **POINTSCORE CAPTURE** - as per NSWGFA Point Score System.
- **POINTSCORE TAG AND RELEASE** – as per NSWGFA Point Score System. NOTE: All anglers may tag a maximum of five (5) Yellowtail Kingfish and five (5) Mahi Mahi per day with a boat limit of ten (10) per day for each species.
- **CIRCLE HOOKS ONLY** are permitted for live baiting and trolling natural baits. (whether live, dead mutilated or dissected) Except in the case of targeting Narrow Barred Mackerel (*Scomberomorus Commerson*) NOTE: No points to be scored for any other species caught using live baits and/or trolling baits with "J" hooks.
- **THE USE OF IDENTIFIABLE MARLIN** – carcasses is prohibited for use as tethered burley. Burley secured under floats is prohibited. Chumming with flesh, blood, skin or any part of mammals is not permitted.
- **MULTIPLE STRIKES** – in the event of a multiple strike on separate lines being fished by a single angler, only the first fish fought will be eligible for point score.

RULES FOR TAG & RELEASE

- No tournament shall be approved by a State Association that awards points for free release for NSWGFA (GFAA) tag species.
- No tag & release points shall be awarded in State Association approved tournaments unless GFAA approved tags are used.
- The multiple tagging of the same fish from the same vessel on the same day is banned.

- All angling rules and equipment regulations apply until the fish is tagged and released.
- Tag poles must not exceed 4.47m (15ft) overall length.
- The tag pole or holding device must be in hand when the fish is tagged.
- One or more person, in addition to the person holding the leader, may assist in tagging and releasing the fish.
- A fish is considered tagged and released when the tag is secured to the fish and the fish is released back into the water alive.
- All billfish must be tagged with the ‘Billfish Tag’. This is the only tag that will be recognized for billfish in any tournament, competition, point score or trophy. The ‘Billfish Tag’ is for billfish only point score (i.e. no other species).

RULES FOR MEASURE & RELEASE Striped Tuna is for Junior Measure and Release Only - same points apply as per NSWGFA Point Score.

THE METHOD OF RELEASING TAGGED FISH –The hook is to be removed or the leader cut as close as possible to the fish.

- **GUIDELINES FOR TAG AND RELEASE** - The tag needle must not protrude more than 50mm from the end of the tag pole or tag holding device, nor shall it exceed 5mm in external diameter; except for the NSW Fisheries ‘Billfish Only’ tag, this needle must not protrude more than 76mm from the end of the tag pole or tag holding device, nor shall it exceed 8mm in diameter
- **WEIGHING OF GILLED AND GUTTED FISH** - NSWGFA affiliated clubs’ weigh stations accept gilled and gutted fish for trophy record and point score purposes. Any Game Fish species being weighed for trophies, points, prize money or records are to be weighed in one piece with head & tail attached.
- **NON-CAPTURE SPECIES** - White Sharks are regarded as endangered species; Accordingly, The INCIDENTAL hooking, fighting and finally tagging & releasing of a White Shark in Commonwealth Waters (outside 3NM/5.556Km) is permitted for scientific purposes and T & R line class points will apply in all Tournaments including club point-scores. The tag & release will also be recognized for all NSWGFA Zonal Trophies Plus Annual Trophies in waters off the NSW coast (commonly known and listed as NSWGFA Coastal Waters Trophies).
- **WEIGHING OF SHARKS** - No sharks may be weighed with restrictive device on jaws. Sewing up of shark jaws will automatically disqualify capture. No shark will be weighed with a choker in place.

18. SALE OF FISH

Any capture or part thereof SHALL NOT BE SOLD. Anyone found to have sold their catch will be disqualified from the tournament.

19. GOVERNMENT RULES

Competitors are reminded that in addition, rules established legally by relevant Government bodies must be complied with. All anglers must carry saltwater fishing licenses if applicable. Bag limit and size restrictions must also be adhered to. All

competitors are reminded that it is an offence to tie up any vessel to objects such as FAD or fish trap buoys.

20. PROTESTS

Any protest must be made in writing and presented to a member of the Tournament Committee by 9:00pm on Sunday 15th March 2026. The committee's decision will be final.

21. CONDUCT

It is an expectation that all participants will always conduct themselves in a responsible and courteous manner to tournament officials and other competitors throughout the tournament. The committee may on its own initiative investigate and act upon any incident occurring during the tournament. The committee may invoke penalties or loss of points or disqualification of fish, angler or boat where misconduct is deemed to have taken place. The decision of the Tournament committee will be final.

22. MEDIA POLICY/SOCIAL MEDIA POLICY

- Any MEDIA RELEASE, POLICY or any MAJOR ISSUE MUST go through the NGFC Tournament Committee
- FORUMS – Clubs and/or affiliated anglers are NOT to post any inaccurate or inappropriate information/photographs on forum sites.
- NO INDIVIDUAL ANGLER / MEMBER should approach the media or answer any queries from the media, if approached that person should contact the Tournament Director with the details, who will then carry out the requirements of the Tournament Media Policy.

23. PENALTIES

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

24. INDEMNITY

The Newcastle Game Fishing Club Inc. accepts no responsibility for the actions by entrants in this Tournament and shall not be held liable for any damage or loss of property or persons during the Tournament in that regard all competitors indemnify the Tournament Committee, Newcastle Game Fishing Club and all voluntary workers against any claim for loss or damage to property or person. Neither the Tournament Committee nor Newcastle Game Fishing Club, nor any sponsor will be responsible or liable for any loss or damage to any person, property, personal injury or death howsoever occasioned at any time during the Newcastle Game Fishing Club's 2026 East Coast Classic Tournament. All Anglers participate entirely at their own risk.

25. ENQUIRIES

- President Warrick Lambert Email president@ngfc.com.au, Ph 0447 120 807
- Secretary Brett Small Email secretary@ngfc.com.au, Ph 0408 869 561

NSWGFA TAG & RELEASE POINTS

	4-10kg	15kg	24kg	37kg	60kg
MARLIN					
Marlin – Black	12,500	11,500	10,000	8,500	7,500
Marlin – Blue	12,500	11,500	10,000	8,500	7,500
Marlin – Striped	12,500	11,500	10,000	8,500	7,500
OTHER BILLFISH					
Broadbill Swordfish	12,500	11,500	10,000	8,500	7,500
Sailfish	6,250	5,750	5,000	4,250	3,750
Shortbill Spearfish	6,250	5,750	5,000	4,250	3,750
SHARKS - minimum 100cm					
*Shark – Blue	3,125	2,875	2,500	2,125	1,875
*Shark - Hammerhead (Smooth Only)	3,750	3,450	3,000	2,550	2,250
*Shark - Mako (all)	3,750	3,450	3,000	2,550	2,250
*Shark – Porbeagle	3,750	3,450	3,000	2,550	2,250
*Shark - Thresher (all)	3,750	3,450	3,000	2,550	2,250
*Shark – Tiger	3,750	3,450	3,000	2,550	2,250
*Shark - Whaler (all)	3,750	3,450	3,000	2,550	2,250
TUNAS					
Tuna – Albacore	625	575	500	425	375
Tuna – Longtail	625	575	500	425	375
Tuna – Bigeye	1,250	1,150	1,000	850	750
Tuna – Dogtooth	1,250	1,150	1,000	850	750
Tuna - Bluefin & Southern Bluefin	1,250	1,150	1,000	850	750
Tuna – Yellowfin	1,250	1,150	1,000	850	750
MISCELLANEOUS					
Narrow Barred (Spanish) Mackerel	625	575	500	425	375
Wahoo	625	575	500	425	375
*Yellowtail Kingfish - minimum 70cm	310	290	250	210	190
Barracuda	31	29	25	21	19
Cobia	31	29	25	21	19
*Mahi Mahi (Dolphin Fish)	31	29	25	21	19
JUNIOR POINTS ONLY					
Tuna - Kawa Kawa	13	12	10	9	8
Tuna - Striped - Catch & Release Only	13	12	10	9	8

Tagging of White Sharks – The incidental hooking, fighting and tagging and releasing of a White Shark in Commonwealth Waters (outside 3NM) is permitted for scientific purposes and T&R points will be awarded in all tournaments including club point-scores. This species cannot be targeted. For clarity, the NSW GFA President advised that a dispensation has been granted by the Federal Government.

- The maximum number of *Yellowtail Kingfish and *Mahi Mahi tagged and released by one angler be limited to five (5) of each species per day, with a maximum of ten (10) of each species per boat per day shall also apply.
- All sharks tagged & released must measure a minimum of 100cm in length.
- Yellowtail Kingfish tagged & released must measure a minimum of 70cm in length.

- *Striped Tuna and *Kawa Kawa are eligible species for JUNIOR/SMALL FRY PERSONAL POINT SCORE ONLY Measure & Release is allowed Yellowtail Kingfish* under 70cm ONLY
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	4-10kg	15kg	24kg	37kg	60kg
KINGFISH- Yellowtail – under 70cm	13	12	10	9	8
STRIPED TUNA	13	12	10	9	8

NOTE:

- (I) All GFAA Angling & Equipment regulations shall apply.
- (ii) All applicable tag & release rules shall apply i.e., Items 1, 2 & 3 of the acts that disqualify a tag & release.
- (iii) No fish can be released after measurement unless it is in a healthy and vigorous state.
- (iv) A GFAA designed "Measure & Release" card is to be used to record species release information.

Guidelines for Measure & Release

1. Only gamefish species as listed for measure & release are to be considered by this guideline.
2. All GFAA Angling Rules & Equipment Regulation & Codes of Practice to apply until fish is landed and returned to the water in a healthy and vigorous state.
3. The use of knotless, rubber coated nets or similarly designed nets that minimize slime and scale removal are to be used, the use of gaffs (other than release/jaw gaff) is prohibited.
4. The fish is to be measured using an approved or recognized measuring mat & or graduated tape measure, measurements between centimetre increments shall be measured at the lower of the two increments i.e. 45 – 46 cm will be recorded as 45 cm.
5. Once measured the fish is to be returned to the water as quickly as possible & supported until it is able to swim away in a healthy & vigorous state. If the fish dies during this process it is the skipper & angler's responsibility to disqualify the catch.
6. All measurements & data must be recorded on an approved GFAA Measure & Release card that is to be returned to the angler's club for processing.

LINE & BACKING

The use of backing is permissible. (NOTE: There is no restriction on the type or size of backing used as long as it is Monofilament, Multifilament, Lead Core Multifilament but not wire).

The catch shall be classified under the breaking strain of the first 5 metres of the line preceding the double, leader and hook. This section must be comprised of a single homogenous piece of line (for record claims, 16 metres of the single line must be supplied).

NOTE: MULTIFILAMENT LINES ONLY ALLOWED WHEN USED AS BACKING

TOURNAMENT FUNCTIONS

FRIDAY 13th March 2026: Briefing starts @ 7.00pm at Newcastle Cruising Yacht Club. A registered angler from the boat must be present to pick up the boat bag. Meals and drinks can be purchased at the Club at attendee's own expense. Bookings for meals are essential at www.ncyc.com.au no later than Thursday 12th March 2026 at 6pm.

SATURDAY 14th March 2026 (After Fishing): 7.00pm Start - Lucky boat draws throughout the night in the Tournament Function Room at the NCYC Club.

Heaps of giveaway prizes!!! You WILL NEED TO BE PRESENT to claim your prize otherwise it will be redrawn. Meals can be purchased at the Club at attendee's own expense. Bookings for meals are essential at www.ncyc.com.au.

SUNDAY 15th March 2026: Morning breakfast from 5.00am near weigh station.

After fishing - All competitors & their families are welcome to come to Newcastle Cruising Yacht Club for some Socialising.

FRIDAY 20th March 2026: Presentation dinner (cocktail food provided) for the East Coast Classic Tournament - Starts at **7.00pm** at the Newcastle Cruising Yacht Club. We require **RSVP by Monday 16th March 2026 at 6pm** to secretary@ngfc.com.au

BERTHING & FUEL

Berthing will be made available (berths are limited). Please call NCYC Marina on 49 408 188 or 0408 299 512 to arrange your berth **once** you have paid & entered to secure your berth.

IMPORTANT - No berths can be booked until a completed & paid tournament registration is received by NGFC.

NOTE: This will be a first in first served basis, lots of available berths but not endless!

NOTE: Newcastle Harbour Warnings - There is a no wash zone past the Honeysuckle wharfs and a 4-knot zone entering the Newcastle Cruising Yacht Club Marina, a penalty will be imposed for each breach at the discretion of the Tournament Committee.

26. ACCEPTANCE OF TOURNAMENT RULES

By signing the application to enter and/or paying the entry fee(s), applicants will be deemed to have accepted the 2026 East Coast Classic Tournament rules without limitation or amendment.

Notwithstanding the above penalties, the Tournament Committee reserves the right in any circumstance to disqualify any capture, angler or boat for disregarding any Tournament rules or instructions.



Newcastle Game Fishing Club
Tohatsu Australia EAST COAST
CLASSIC 2026

Heaviest Marlin over 120kg \$5000
Heaviest Shark over 300kg \$5000

Champion Boat Tag & R: TBC
Champion Boat Tag & R Runner Up: TBC
Champion Boat Tag & R 3rd Place: TBC

Champion Boat Capture: TBC
Champion Boat Capture Runner Up: TBC
Champion Boat Capture 3rd Place: TBC

Champion Male Tag & R: TBC
Champion Male T & R Runner Up: TBC

Champion Male Capture: TBC
Champion Male Capture Runner Up: TBC

Champion Lady Point Score: TBC
Champion Lady Point Score Runner Up: TBC

Champion Junior T & R: TBC
Champion Junior T & R Runner Up: TBC

Champion Junior Capture: TBC
Champion Junior Capture Runner Up: TBC

Champion Small Fry Point Score: TBC
Champion Small Fry Point Score Runner Up: TBC

Capture Heaviest OGF: TBC
Capture Heaviest Tuna: TBC
Sched Draws



NGFC TOHATSU AUSTRALIA EAST COAST CLASSIC TOURNAMENT 2026

Official Application Form

Saturday 14th Sunday 15th March 2026

NB: In the event of a tie on any prize category the count back system will be used to determine the winner. Example: The angler or boat to reach the winning score first will be deemed to be the winner.

Boat Name: **Home GFC:**

Skipper Name: **Mobile No:**

Address:.....

State: **Postcode:** **Email:**

2nd contact Name and Number:.....

NOTE: Minimum 2 "Adult Anglers" including Captain for vessels under 8 metres; Minimum 3 "Adult Anglers" including Captain for vessels 8 metres and over. All persons involved in effecting either the capture or tag and release of a fish must be a registered/paid angler. Please indicate whether angler is Adult Male (M), Adult Lady (L), Junior (J) or Small Fry (SF).

Skipper:		GFC	M / L / J / SF
Angler:		GFC	

Application Fees:

Adult Anglers @ \$180.00 Amount:

Junior @ \$80.00 Amount:

Small Fry @ \$40.00 Amount:

Late Application Fee @ \$50.00 Amount:

(Entries received after 6pm on Thursday 12th March 2026)

ECC Shirt @ \$40.00 Size: Amount:

(Sizing is subject to availability)

TOTAL:

Email entries to: secretary@ngfc.com.au

Payment by direct debit to **NGFC**

BSB: 637 000

Acc No: 727 921 486 (NOTE: This is our ECC Tournament Account)

Reference: Your Boat name is included in the payment details, and a copy of the receipt/transaction is included with your application.



NGFC TOHATSU AUSTRALIA EAST COAST CLASSIC 2026
Boat Safety Rescue Form

Boat Name: Registration Number:

Boat on the Club Register of G.F.C Length:

Make: Colour - Hull: Deck:

Colour - Flybridge: Distinctive Features or Markings:

Engine(s) Type: Number: Horsepower: Fuel Type:

Capacity: Range: Cruising Speed: Max Speed:

Skipper Name: Mobile:

Owner Name (if not skipper): Mobile:

Address: Postcode:

Emergency Contact Name (not on-board vessel): Tel:

Name of Boat Insurer: Policy No: Renewal Date:

Additional Information: Please provide relevant details.

Flares: Details – Parachute Smoke Colour:

Life Raft: Life Buoys: Number:

Life Jackets: Number: Type: Colour:

Radios: 27 MHz: VHF: SSB HF:

EPIRB: Registration Number: Type:

Radar: GPS: Depth Sounder: Compass:

Food on Board: Number of Days: Water on Board: Litres

I agree to abide by every Tournament Rule and all the Tournament Committee decisions and have completed the Safety Rescue Form including details of Insurance covering third party property liability and third-party personal liability insurance. I confirm that the vessel described thereon meets or exceeds all relevant NSW Maritime authority Safety Regulations and requirements for a vessel its size.

NGFC reserves the right to refuse application to this Tournament

Signed: Date: Boat Skipper

