



August 2019

Fellow Fishers

Our Commodore Graeme Giles put his hand up to continue in this role for a further year, and his crew now consists of some old and some new members. Vice Commodore is Earl Pennington, Kath Barber has taken on the Secretary/Treasurer role, Cliff Bailie and Larry Andrews continue as Weigh Masters and a committee of Andrew Whyte, John Barber, Sheila Jackson and Mark Deacon were elected. A big thank you to Lorraine McLachlan for all her work for the Club over the years. She was given a bouquet of flowers and a year's membership in appreciation.

At the AGM at the end of June, it was agreed to add a new category of membership, and to this end, an Associate category has been included. This is for the partner of a Senior active member and for a subscription of \$10 a year, gives the member all the rights of club membership including a vote at general meetings and eligibility to hold office. So far, we have had 3 members take it up.

If you haven't already renewed your membership, please do so. This is best done on-line if possible. "Sign In" to your account and click on "renew membership". If you pay by credit card your account will automatically be activated. If you pay by bank deposit, your account will be activated once payment is received in the bank. If you don't want to renew on-line, the secretary will happily take your money at one of our Mix and Mingle nights.

If you don't intend to renew, please let us know so that we won't keep hassling you.

At the AGM it was also agreed that we would undertake some improvements to the clubhouse facilities, including floor coverings, new outside curtains, tiling the bar and kitchen floors and new furniture. We plan to do this with the help of sponsorship and/or grants where possible and if necessary, utilise some of our reserve funds. We felt that this would make the clubhouse more attractive and welcoming and lend itself more to hiring out for some extra income.

We have accepted a quote from John Hewinson Canvas for the 10 outside curtains. It was suggested that we get a sponsor per curtain, and so far, we have 4 sponsors. Their name and logo will be sewn on the curtain and give them ongoing advertising for the life of the curtain, estimated to be at least 10 years. As this is one of the biggest expenses, it would be great if we could get a few more sponsors. We could use the help of the members to contact possible sponsors. Get in touch with Graeme for more details.

Weighmaster Cliff came up with a proposal for scoring fish for the monthly competition, to include species other than snapper:

Snapper	weight equals score	e.g.	10 kg = 10 pts
Trevally	2 x weight equals score		5 kg = 10 pts
Kahawai	3 x weight equals score		3.33 kg = 10 pts
Gurnard	4 x weight equals score		2.5 kg = 10 pts
Tarakihi	4 x weight equals score		2.5 kg = 10 pts
John Dory	4 x weight equals score		2.5 kg = 10 pts
Kingfish	$\frac{1}{2}$ weight equals score		20 kg = 10 pts

Only one fish per fisher may be entered each month.

In the event of a tie, the winner will be drawn from those who are equal.

We have purchased a dedicated phone for the EFTPOS machine for the bar, which will make things a lot easier, especially for our tournaments and Mix and Mingle nights.

Our Mix and Mingle on Friday, 9 August was a cold night, but a number of hardy souls braved the elements and enjoyed the good food and company, the warmth of the pot belly stove, and a few fishy tales of course. Weighmaster Cliff reported that the biggest fish for July was a 3.86 trevally caught by Larry Andrews, so with the scoring system above, that would give Larry 7.72 points.

For Friday 13 September's Mix and Mingle we have organised guest speakers from **Coastguard, Reel Clinic and On Top Lures**. This will also be a pot-luck dinner, so bring food to share and come and have a social time, a good feed and learn stuff. This would also be a good event to bring a friend or two along - the more the merrier.

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Commodore Graeme and the Crew.