



2026 DYNAMIC HYDRO-EXCAVATIONS BILLFISH SHOOTOUT

FRIDAY 9 OCTOBER 2026 - SUNDAY 11 OCTOBER 2026



PROGRAM

FRIDAY 9 OCTOBER 2026

4:00pm	Check in OPENS
6:00pm	Check in CLOSES
6:30pm	Dinner
7:00pm	Skippers Briefing

SATURDAY 10 OCTOBER 2026

(Possible Sunday fishing dependent on weather)

07:00am	Start Fishing
09:05am	Sked 1
12:05pm	Sked 2
15:05pm	Sked 3
16:00pm	Cease Fishing <i>(limited overtime permitted)</i>
18:00pm	Tag cards & Activity Sheet/Sked Sheet handed in to Game Base
19:00pm	Presentation Dinner & Awards Ceremony

ENTRY FEE

\$400
PER BOAT
Minimum 2 Anglers

(entry covers up to a four (4) angler team)
\$100 for extra anglers over four (4)*

INCLUDES:

- ✓ Entry
- ✓ Sponsored Grid Chart
- ✓ Red Levy Fees
- ✓ Meals
- ✓ Entry into lucky boat draws & random giveaways

**\$20 per Additional Presentation Meal Ticket*



PAYMENT

Direct Deposit or Cash on the night

Account Name: Gold Coast Game Fish Club

BSB: 084 917 Account Number: 577 478 308



ENTRIES

Must be emailed to gcgfc@yahoo.com and must include:

- 1 Completed Entry Form
- 2 Indemnity Form with boat insurance details*
- 3 FULL Payment
- 4 Additional Presentation Meal Numbers

ELIGIBLE BILLFISH SPECIES



ELIGIBLE OTHER SPECIES



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Tight Lines!



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FISHING AREA

INSIDE 150m

8kg, 10kg & 15kg

OUTSIDE 150m

8kg, 10kg, 15kg,
24kg, 37kg & 60kg

Between 27-20' to the North and 28-22' to the South, and all Oceanic Waters in between.

FISHING RULES & METHODS – Minimum of 8kg

- GFAA Rules will apply. All Anglers, Skippers and Crew must be current financial fishing members of a Club affiliate with QGFA or GFAA.
- Live bait may be collated prior to start fishing and use of teasers is allowed prior to start fishing.
- Non off set Circle hooks must be used for live baiting and dead baits.
- ALL boats must provide photographic/video evidence of ALL Tagged & Released fish to Game Base (must show fish alive & time and coloured armband).
- ALL tackle used in capture tag & release must be presented at the weigh station.
- NSW DPI Billfish Only tags are to be used for Billfish to be eligible for tag points.

WEATHER

In the event of a strong wind warning being issued before the start of fishing for either day of the Tournament, that day's fishing will be cancelled. If a strong wind warning is issued during a fishing day the Tournament Committee reserve the right to cancel/amend that day's fishing program. Notification will be broadcasted on VHF Channel 62.

BOAT INSURANCE

All Boats entering the Tournament are required to have current Boat insurance.

- Details of such insurance must be completed on the entry form along with a photocopy of your insurance certificate. Should a Boat not have insurance, nor be able to supply evidence of insurance and certification prior to the commencement of the Tournament, that Boat shall be excluded from participating in the Tournament.
- All on-board safety remains the responsibility of the Skipper/Owner.

ELIGIBLE BILLFISH SPECIES



Blue Marlin

Black Marlin

Striped Marlin

Swordfish

Sailfish

Spearfish

POINT SCORES

Marlin, Sailfish, Spearfish & Swordfish **1,000 points**

SKED REPORTING

- Boat Name
- Fishing report using "000" system – Strikes, Hook-Ups, Captures/Tags and the Fish Species, Angler Name and Line Class
- Boat Location using the "Sponsor Name" on the GCGFC Grid Chart

RADIO SKEDS & REPORTING

- All Boats MUST have a working VHF radio.
- Skeds will be on Channel 62.
- Report using the "000" system – Strikes, Hook-Ups, Captures/Tags and the Fish Species, Angler Name and Line Class.
- Boat location using the "Sponsor Name" on the GCGFC Grid Chart.
- ALL HOOK UPS MUST BE REPORTED TO GAME BASE.**
- Restricted overtime is available for fish hooked after the last sked (must be reported prior to ceasing fishing).
- All boats must log on and log off with Game Base and receive acknowledgement.
- We strongly advise all boats also log on/off with Seaway Tower on VHF 73.
- Failure to contact Game Base on two successive skeds may result in disqualification of the day's results.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

- All Boats are to report Tagged Billfish immediately with Game Base to be allocated the time of Tagging.
- ALL HOOK UPS MUST BE REPORTED TO GAME BASE.**
- The Tournament Committee reserves the right to refuse any team or individual entry and may place an observer on any boat at random.
- Any fish tagged/released or captured with nonregulation GFAA requirements will be disqualified from the Tournament.
- Gear presented at used per fish is deemed the correct one and cannot be changed or substituted.
- In the event an Angler or team are ejected for conduct bringing the sport into disrepute, no result or award will be entered into.

ELIGIBLE OTHER SPECIES



Mahi Mahi

Yellow Fin Tuna

Wahoo

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PRIZES

\$5,000

Champion Boat Overall
Tag & Release



\$2,000

Champion Boat 2nd Place
Tag & Release



\$700

Champion Angler Junior
Tag & Release



Doug Burt Tackle World
Rod & Reel Combo

\$300

Champion Angler Junior
Runner Up Tag & Release



Doug Burt Tackle World
Lure Pack

JACKPOT PRIZES

JACKPOT CATEGORIES	1st PRIZE POOL	2nd PRIZE POOL	3rd PRIZE POOL
\$1,000 Marlin Only - Highest Billfish T&R for any boat entered in the Pool	60%	30%	10%
\$500 Marlin Only - Highest Billfish T&R for any boat entered in the Pool	60%	30%	10%
\$250 Heaviest Other Species - Heaviest Game Fish weighed with no line class restrictions to any boat entered in the Pool	60%	30%	10%

EARLY ENTRY RANDOM DRAW

Early Entry
Random Draw

\$500 CASH

Closes Friday
2nd October 2026

POOL DISTRIBUTION RULES

- If there are only two (2) point scoring boats the pool will be distributed 1st - 65% & 2nd - 35%.
- If there is only one (1) point scoring boat the pool will be distributed 100% to that boat.
- If no boats score points in any pool monies will be refunded less the 15% Club Admin.

DAILY RESULTS

- To be accepted for Point Score ALL Tag Cards, Activity Sheets, Photo/Video Evidence must be presented to Game Base.
- Rods/Tackle must be presented to the Recorder at the Weigh Station.
- Fish to be Weighed must be presented to the Weigh Master at Game Base.
- **Failure to do ANY or ALL the above, before Game Base is closed, will result in NIL allocation of points.**

TOURNAMENT CONDUCT

- The Tournament Committee reserves the right at any stage of the competition (before, during or after) to effect, disqualify or deduct points from individuals or teams who are deemed to have conducted themselves in a disrespectful manner and are deemed to have brought the sport of Game Fishing or the Tournament into disrepute.
- In the event an Angler or team of Anglers/Crew/Skipper are ejected, no result or refund will be entered into.

OVERTIME

- Restricted Overtime will be available for all Fish hooked up after the last sked and reported to Game Base prior to cease fishing.
- All tags and equipment must be presented by the Game Base before closing time to be considered in the results of the Tournament.

DISPUTES

- Must be submitted in writing and presented to the Tournament Committee on the day in question, no later than 6.00pm.
- The Committee's decision will be final.
- The Tournament Committee has the right to act on any breach of Tournament Rules whether a protest has been lodged.
- Where a dispute is lodged a dispute Committee will consist of at least three GCGFC Inc. Committee Members.

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