



SYDNEY METROPOLITAN DIVISION

BY LAWS

2015

1. CHAMPIONSHIPS

(a) The Division shall conduct Championships once in each calendar year, as follows:

- (i) Beach, Rock, Estuary and Deep-sea.
- (ii) In conjunction with these four Championships, points counting towards Angler of the Year shall be compiled.
- (iii) Luderick Competition in two sections; Rock and Estuary. **Redundant**
- (iv) Open Day shall be known as the 'Gary Chapman Memorial Championships'.
- (v) The Deep-Sea Championships shall be known as the 'Ron Nelson Memorial Championships'.
- (vi) The Rock Championships shall be known as the 'George & Joan Pratt Championships'.
- (vii) The Estuary Championships shall be known as the 'John Nicholls Championships'. (ADM1/91)
- (viii) The Beach Championships shall be known as the 'Don Fleming Memorial Championships'. (ADM 1/94)

- (ix) A Charter Boat competition shall be held on any one day during the period of the fishing calendar. - amended as per DCM minutes.
 - (x) The Charter Boat Competition shall be known as the 'Ted Acland Championships'. (ADM 1/91)
- (b) The Division may also conduct Championships in Freshwater and Casting and any other events, if it be deemed in the best interest of the members generally.
- 2. BOUNDARIES**
- (a) ESTUARY
- SYDNEY HARBOUR - West of a line between the wall of the Quarantine Reserve on North Head, to Hornby Light on South Head. All MSB restricted areas excluded.
- BOTANY BAY - West of a line between the eastern tip of Bare Island, to the Captain Cook Memorial at Kurnell. All MSB restricted areas excluded.
- PORT HACKING - West of a line between the concrete wall at Hungry Point, Cronulla, to the Bundeena Wharf. (ADM 1/91)
- (b) ROCK – All Rocks seaward of Estuary boundaries within the Divisions area Barren Joey light house to Eastern tip of the break wall at Bellambi point boat ramp.
- Sections will be:
- Hornby light house on South Head to Bare Island. DCM
- Captain Cook Memorial, Kurnell to Hungry Point, Cronulla.
- Bundeena Wharf to the eastern tip of the breakwall at Bellambi. (ADM 1/94)
- (c) BEACH - All beaches seaward of estuary boundaries within the Division's area ie. From Barranjoey Light to the eastern tip of the breakwall at Bellambi. (ADM 1/94) (DCM 10/12)

- (d) DEEP-SEA - Seaward of estuary boundaries. Boats, competitors, catch and equipment shall launch and retrieve from SMD boundaries (Sydney Harbour, Botany Bay, Port Hacking or Bellambi). (ADM 1/91) (DCM 10/12)
- (e) LUDERICK - Bare Island to be included in the Rock Section. Competitors must nominate Rock or Estuary, when nominating. In the event of inclement weather, competitors may nominate which section they fished, at time of weigh-in. (ADM 1/85)
- (f) OPEN-DAY - As defined for individual sections. Deep-Sea - Launch within SMD Boundaries, retrieve point open.
- (g) CHARTER BOAT - Charter Boats leaving from Sydney Harbour, Botany Bay, Port Hacking and Wollongong Harbour. All waters accessible. (ADM 1/90)
- (h) Should it be considered desirable to schedule boundaries for any competitions outside general SMD Divisional Boundaries, nothing in these rules shall preclude such a decision.
- (i) A five hundred metre radii from Potter Point outfall, Kurnell, is excluded from all competition boundaries.

3. COMPETITION FEES

Competition fees shall be set annually.

4. GENERAL RULES AT ALL COMPETITIONS

- (a) Eligibility - Clubs must be members of the Sydney Metropolitan Division or any club affiliated with the NSW Fishing Clubs' Association.
- (b) All competitors must be in possession of a current NSW FCA Registration card and present same for inspection, if required.
- (c) Nominations - Any competing club may enter teams of up to four (4) persons (minimum two). There will be no restriction on the number of individuals or teams that a club may nominate.
- (d) All competitors must nominate in the Open Section of any Championship. Ladies, Juniors, Sub Juniors and Veterans must nominate for individual sections prior to the nominated closing time for entries. (See clause 5 (e) and 5 (f) and 5 (g) of the By-Laws for clarification of juniors, Sub Juniors and veterans). (ADM 1/98)
- (e) Competitors may use one line with two baits, or two lines with one bait on each. A flight of ganged hooks is classed as one hook. (No more than two hooks or two baits are to be used).
- (f) All Championships will have an honour start.
- (g) Spinning is permissible.
- (h) Points shall be allocated on the basis of one (1) point per fish and ten (10) points per kilogram.
- (i) In the event of a tied score, the team or individual with the greatest number of fish shall be adjudged the winner. If still equal the first fish catch weighed shall be declared the winner.
- (j) Each club shall nominate a person who shall be responsible to check members of that club out, at the commencement of competition and ensure that they have returned.
- (k) Where boats are used in SMD Championships, they shall be crewed by no less than two competitors, who have been registered for that Championship.

- (l) Trolling shall be permissible.
- (m) Capture of any fish to be weighed in, shall be witnessed by another competitor.
- (n) In Rock Championships, each team must be equipped with a safety line (of at least 68 kg. braided nylon or stronger), of a minimum length of 46 metres in length and attached to an object which will float and is sufficiently heavy to cast, or a flotation jacket.
- (o) Nominations shall not be accepted after nominated closing time for entries.
- (p) In rock competitions members must fish from rocks only.
- (q) In beach competitions members must fish from beach only (sand).
- (r) Competitors shall be responsible for the proper removal of their catch from the weigh-in area and surrounding grounds, in such a manner not to cause offence.
- (s) If the Weighmaster doubts the condition of any fish presented, or if he be of the opinion that any fish presented have been frozen or undersized, the catch shall be impounded to be further checked. (See also section 6 (j) of the By-Laws).
- (t) The Weighmaster's judgement on undersize fish is final.
- (u) Competitors must not use any form of flotation, swimming, mechanical or any other means to an offshore island, if the area is not normally accessible by walking.
- (v) Mutilated fish shall exceed the minimum competition length by three centimetres. A fish with a broken neck or part of the body missing is considered to be a mutilated fish.
- (w) Competitors and their catch cannot be transported by boat in Rock and Beach Championships, on the water.
- (x) Bait may be caught up until 1 hour prior to the starting time of a competition. No competitor shall have a line in the water for any reason what so ever, 1 hour prior to the published starting time of the competition.
- (y) A competitor shall not take an unfair advantage by use of a motorised vehicle, outside of local council, government or national park rules and by-laws, where the general public are not normally allowed access; eg.:
 - a. Use of fire-trails. *Across council parks & reserves
 - b. Across a National Park. *Along beaches beyond council limits (ADM, 1/93)
- (z) In the interest of safety, any competitor, who, (at the discretion of the A team captains) renders assistance to another, who is in a life threatening situation, shall not be penalised, if in doing so, they themselves use assistance to get their fish to the weigh-in, or arrive to the weigh-in after closing time but before the end of the weigh-in, however, the person in the life threatening situation will not have the same right. (ADM 1/97).

5. CONDITIONS OF CAPTURE

- (a) All fish must be caught within the boundaries, as set down for that competition.
- (b) Fish must be taken on rod and/or reel or by hand line, using bait or artificial lures and must be hooked, played and landed by the competitor claiming the catch, with no assistance what so ever, other than netting, gilling or gaffing when the catch has been brought to the shore or boat.

- (c) Boats may be used in the Estuary.
- (d) Juniors under the age of thirteen (13) years ie. those eligible to compete in State Sub-junior Championships, may be assisted by another more senior person in affixing terminal tackle to line, baiting hooks and casting of bait or lure. No other competitor shall receive assistance except as provided for in clause 5 (b) as above.
- (e) A junior shall be a competitor who has not attained the age of eighteen (18) years before the first of January. (ADM 1/86)
- (f) A veteran is a person who has attained the age of 55 years.
- (g) A Sub Junior shall be a competitor who has not attained the age of Thirteen (13) years before the first of January. If there is only one (1) Sub Junior angler nominating, that person will fish in the Junior section as a Junior Competitor. (ADM 1/98)

6. WEIGHING IN

- (a) Competitors are required to personally present their fish captures to the Weighmaster. Exceptions will be allowed under special circumstances and will be at the sole discretion of the SMD Competition Secretary or other SMD Official nominated by the competition Secretary.
- (b) Competitors are required to measure fish captures outside the defined weigh-in area.
- (c) All fish captures must be within the defined weigh-in area, prior to the official close of competition. (ADM 1/91)
- (d) All fish within the defined weigh-in area, after the official close of competition, must be presented to the Weighmaster. (ADM 1/91).
- (e) Each anglers fish may be weighed:
 - (i) as caught, or
 - (ii) gilled and gutted.

In the case of (ii), no allowance for loss of weight or length will be made. The decision of the Weighmaster will be final and the entire catch must be weighed either "as caught" or "gilled and gutted". In all cases, fish must be free from sand and foreign matter. (ADM1/99)
- (j) If the Weighmaster doubts the condition of any fish presented, or if he be of the opinion that any fish presented has been frozen, he shall have the right to impound the catch and call a meeting of the Disputes Committee, who shall adjudicate the matter. (ADM 1/89)
- (k) It is the competitor's responsibility to nominate fish as heaviest of species.
- (l) Fish species will be classified in accordance with schedule of the taxonomic list of fish as detailed in the NSW FCA by laws (ADM 6/2005).
- (m) A bag limit of 5 fish per species applies for sweep, pike, yellowtail & slimy mackerel for all SMD competitions.
- (n) All fish presented for weighing must be in accordance with current NSW Fisheries regulations.
- (o) Any breach of a NSW Fisheries rule or regulation shall result in the disqualification of that competitors catch from the competition.
- (p) Any competitor who attempts to weigh undersized fish, not covered by a NSW Fisheries Bag Limit, shall be penalised 25 points for one fish, 50 points for two fish, any more than two

undersized fish will result in disqualification. Disputed catches shall be impounded and referred to the Disputes Committee. (ADM 1/89)

- (q) **Ineligible species to SMD Competitions include:** SHARKS, RAYS, EELS, CATFISH, COCKATOO FISH, ROCK CALE, KELP FISH, FROG FISH, TOAD FISH, SUN FISH, BOX FISH, BLACK SPINEFOOT OR BLACK TREVALLY, WIRRAH COD and NSW fisheries threatened and protected species.
- (r) Eligible fish not covered by a minimum size limit by NSW Fisheries must attain a minimum length of 30 cm when weighed.
- (s) Eligible fish not covered by a NSW Fisheries bag limit will be limited to a maximum of 20 fish per competitor per event.

7. SMD Minimum Size & Bag Limits (* *Bag limit comprised of any*

single species or combination of listed grouped species)

Species	Size limits or legal length (cm)	Bag limit
Australian bass & estuary perch	Only 1 over 35cm	2 in total*, 4 in possession
Australian salmon	30 cm	5
Bluefish	30 cm	0 - release only Lord Howe Marine Park 5
Bonito	30 cm	10
Bream	25 cm	20 in total*
Tarwhine	20 cm	
Deep-sea fish	30 cm	5 in total*, gemfish: only 2 and boat trip limit of 10
Dolphinfish	60 cm, only 1 over 110 cm	10
Flathead – Dusky	36cm, only 1 over 70cm	10
Flathead – Sand and Tiger	33 cm	20 in total*
Flounder & sole	25cm	20 in total*
Garfish	25 cm	20
Groper	30 cm	1 only over 60cm 2 by line only
Hairtail	30 cm	10
Kingfish, yellowtail	65 cm	5
Leatherjackets	25 cm	20 in total*
Luderick	27 cm	20
Mackerel	(Spanish) 75cm (Spotted) 60cm	5 in total*
Mangrove Jack	30 cm	
Marlin	30 cm	1 of each species
Morwong – Jackass	30cm	10

Morwong – Rubberlip	30cm	10
Morwong – Red	30cm	5
Morwong - banded	30 cm	5
Moses perch	30 cm	5
Mullet	Sea 30 cm	20 in total* for all mullet
Mulloway	45 cm only 2 fish over 70 cm	5
Pearl perch	30 cm	5
Red rock cod	30 cm	5
Rock blackfish	30 cm	10
Sailfish	30 cm	1
Samson & Amberjack	30 cm	5 in total*
Sawtail surgeon	30 cm	5
Snapper	30 cm	10
Spearfish	30 cm	1
Swordfish	30 cm	1
Tailor	30 cm	20
Teraglin	38 cm	5
Trevallies	(silver trevally only) 30 cm	20 in total*
Tuna Albacore, Big Eye, Long Tail, Southern Blue fin and Yellow fin – 7 in total	90 cm or above Less than 90 cm	2 in total* 5 in total*
Tuna, striped	30 cm	20
Wahoo	30 cm	5
Whiting - All	27 cm	20 in total*

INELIGIBLE SPECIES: SHARKS, RAYS, EELS, CATFISH, COCKATOO FISH, ROCK CALE, KELP FISH, FROG FISH, TOAD FISH, SUN FISH, BOX FISH, BLACK SPINEFOOT OR BLACK TREVALLY, WIRRAH COD, ESTUARY COD, BLACK ROCK COD, BLUE DEVIL FISH, ELEGANT WRASSE.

NSW Fisheries bag limits apply. A bag limit of 20 per species applies to species not covered by NSW Fisheries. A bag limit of 5 per species for sweep, pike, yellowtail & slimy mackerel applies for all SMD competitions.

8. DISQUALIFICATIONS

(a) The following shall render a competitor liable to disqualification:

Any individual or team will be disqualified from a Championship or Championship round, if any competition rule or division by-law is breached. Disqualification will be from that event and no

trophy or prizes shall be presented, further penalties shall be imposed at the discretion of the Delegates' Council.

- (b) Only the 'A' Team Captain or his representative may vote.
- (c) Only one vote per club may be recorded.
- (d) In the event of a tied vote, the protest will be disallowed. (ADM 1/99)

9. PROTESTS

- (a) Protests shall be submitted in writing, signed by the person or persons lodging same.
- (b) Any protests lodged after the presentation of trophies has commenced, shall be invalid and will not be considered.

10. DISPUTES COMMITTEE

The Disputes Committee shall consist of the Divisional President or his Deputy, the Divisional Competition Secretary and either Captains of 'A' Teams or a senior member of the club registered and competing in the competition. (ADM 1/89)

11. AWARDS AT CHAMPIONSHIPS

In addition to any perpetual Trophies, the following awards are available at Championships:

(a) BEACH

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| (1) Champion Team. | (2) Runner-up Champion Team. |
| (3) Champion Angler. | (4) Runner-up to Champion. |
| (5) Champion Ladies Team. | (6) Champion Lady. |
| (7) Runner-up to Champion Lady. | (8) Junior Champion Team. |
| (9) Junior Champion. | (10) Runner-up to Junior Champ. |
| (11) Veteran Champion. | (12) Runner-up to Veteran Champ. |
| (13) Sub Junior Champion | (14) Runner-up to Sub Junior |
| (15) Each competitor in the Junior Runner-up Team and the Lady Runner-up Team is to receive a pocket. (ADM 1/98) | |

Heaviest of Species:

Flathead, Tailor, Whiting, Bream, Mulloway, Salmon, Flounder and heaviest other eligible species.(ADM 1/97.)

(b) ROCK

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| (1) Champion Team. | (2) Runner-up Champion Team. |
| (3) Champion Angler. | (4) Runner-up to Champion. |
| (5) Champion Ladies Team. | (6) Champion Lady. |
| (7) Runner-up to Champion Lady. | (8) Junior Champion Team. |
| (9) Junior Champion. | (10) Runner-up to Junior Champ. |
| (11) Veteran Champion. | (12) Runner-up to Veteran Champ. |
| (13) Sub Junior Champion | (14) Runner-up to Sub Junior |

- (15) Each competitor in the Junior Runner-up Team and the Lady Runner-up Team is to receive a pocket. (ADM 1/98)

Heaviest of Species:

Mulloway, Luderick, Bream, Tailor, Snapper, Trevally, Kingfish, Rock Blackfish, Salmon, Tuna, Leatherjacket, Tarwhine, Groper and heaviest other eligible species. (ADM 1/97).

(c) ESTUARY

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| (1) Champion Team. | (2) Runner-up Champion Team. |
| (3) Champion Angler. | (4) Runner-up to Champion. |
| (5) Champion Ladies Team. | (6) Champion Lady. |
| (7) Runner-up to Champion Lady. | (8) Junior Champion Team. |
| (9) Junior Champion. | (10) Runner-up to Junior Champ. |
| (11) Veteran Champion. | (12) Runner-up to Veteran Champ. |
| (13) Sub Junior Champion | (14) Runner-up Sub Junior |
| (15) Each competitor in the Junior Runner-up Team and the Lady Runner-up Team is to receive a pocket. (ADM 1/98) | |

Heaviest of Species:

Flathead, Mulloway, Flounder, Luderick, Bream, Tailor, Whiting, Trevally, Leatherjacket and heaviest other eligible species.

(d) DEEP-SEA

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| (1) Champion Team. | (2) Runner-up Champion Team. |
| (3) Champion Angler. | (4) Runner-up to Champion. |
| (5) Champion Ladies Team. | (6) Champion Lady. |
| (7) Runner-up to Champion Lady. | (8) Junior Champion Team. |
| (9) Junior Champion. | (10) Runner-up to Junior Champ. |
| (11) Veteran Champion. | (12) Runner-up to Veteran Champ. |
| (13) Sub Junior Champion | (14) Runner-up Sub Junior Champ |
| (15) Each competitor in the Junior Runner-up Team and the Lady Runner-up Team is to receive a pocket. (ADM 1/98) | |

Heaviest of Species:

Snapper, Teraglin, Mulloway, Morwong, Flathead, Kingfish, Trevally, Bream, Tarwhine, John Dory, Tailor, Leatherjacket, Tuna, and heaviest other eligible species. (ADM 1/90)

(e) OPEN DAY

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| (1) Champion Team. | (2) Runner-up Champion Team. |
| (3) Champion Angler. | (4) Runner-up to Champion. |
| (5) Champion Ladies Team. | (6) Champion Lady. |
| (7) Runner-up to Champion Lady. | (8) Junior Champion Team. |
| (9) Junior Champion. | (10) Runner-up to Junior Champ. |
| (11) Veteran Champion. | (12) Runner-up to Veteran Champ. |

- (13) Sub Junior Champion
- (14) Runner-up Sub Junior Champ
- (15) Each competitor in the Junior Runner-up Team and the Lady Runner-up Team is to receive a pocket. (ADM 1/98)

Heaviest of Species:

Rock Blackfish, Bream, Flathead, Luderick, Kingfish, Leatherjacket, Tuna, Snapper, Morwong, Mulloway, Trevally, Tailor, Teraglin, Whiting and heaviest other eligible species. (ADM 1/92)

(f) LUDERICK (ADM 1/91)

- (1) Champion Rock Team.
- (2) Champion Estuary Team.
- (3) Champion Estuary Angler (ADM 1/07).
- (4) Champion Rock Angler (ADM 1/07)
- (5) Champion Ladies Team.
- (6) Champion Lady.
- (7) Junior Champion Team.
- (8) Junior Champion.
- (9) Veteran Champion.
- (10) Heaviest Luderick - Rock.
- (11) Heaviest Luderick – Estuary (ADM 1/97)

- (g) Any other Championship shall be conducted to the rules and By-Laws of the NSW FCA. Each competitor in the Junior Runner-up Team and the Lady Runner-up Team is to receive a pocket. (ADM 1/88)

12. PERPETUAL TROPHIES

- (a) **St. George Shield** - for the best average weight per nominated angler in each competition.
- (b) **Mascot Most Fish Trophy** - to the club catching the most fish in any outing.
- (c) **John Morris Largest Fish Trophy** – announced at each competition and presented at the end of year presentation.
- (d) **Eric Clarke Memorial Bream Trophy** - for the heaviest Bream of the Year.
- (e) **Norm Frogley Memorial Mulloway Trophy** - for the heaviest Mulloway of the year.
- (f) **Champion Club of the Year Trophy** - Scored on the Rock , Beach , Esturay ,Deep Sea and Open Day championships conducted by the Division. The points accrued by the best six (6) competitors from each club are added, the highest aggregate score of all outings decide the Champion Club. (ADM 1/98)
- (g) **AFA of NSW Angler of the Year Trophy** (donated by Hank Newman) - Scored on the Deep-Sea, Beach, Rock and Estuary outings. Each competitors points are converted to a percentage of the Champion Anglers score (100%), for each round. The percentage points are then added, with a maximum achievable score being 400%. (ADM 1/89)
- (h) **Runner-up Angler of the Year Trophy** - Calculated as per section 12(g) of the By-Laws, with the second highest score being applicable. (ADM 1/89)
- (i) **Junior Angler of the Year Trophy** (Donated by Raymond Thompson) - Calculated as per section 12 (g) of the By-Laws, with the highest junior score being applicable. (ADM1/89)
- (j) **Runner-up Junior Angler of the Year** - Calculated as per section 12(g) of the By-Laws, with the second highest junior score being applicable. (ADM 1/91)

- (k) **Lady Champion Angler of the Year Trophy** - Calculated as per section 12(g) of the By-Laws, with the highest lady score being applicable. (ADM 1/89)
- (l) **Runner-up Lady Champion Angler of the Year Trophy** - Calculated as per section 12(g) of the By-Laws, with the second highest lady score being applicable. (ADM 1/91)
- (m) **Veteran Champion Angler of the Year Trophy** - Calculated as per section 12(g) of the By-Laws, with the highest veteran score being applicable. (ADM 1/91)
- (n) **Runner-up Veteran Champion Angler of the Year Trophy** - Calculated as per section 12(g) of the By-Laws, with the second highest veteran score being applicable. (ADM 1/91)
- (o) **Sub Junior Champion Angler of The Year Trophy** - Calculated as per section 12 (g) of the Bylaws, with the highest Sub Junior Score being applicable.(ADM 1\98)
- (p) **Runner-up Sub Junior Champion Angler of the year Trophy** -Calculated as per section 12 (g) of the Bylaws, with the second highest Sub Junior score being applicable. (ADM 1/98)

13. PRESENTATION

- (a) Trophies, prizes and awards shall be presented after the conclusion of the fishing year at the division's presentation. (ADM 1/88)
- (b) The Eric Clarke Memorial Bream Trophy, Norm Frogley Memorial Mulloway Trophy, Champion Club of the Year Trophy, AFA Angler of the Year Trophy, Runner-up Angler of the Year Trophy, Junior Angler of the Year Trophy, Runner-up Junior Angler of the Year Trophy, Lady Angler of the Year Trophy and the Runner-up Lady Angler of the Year Trophy, Veteran Angler of the Year Trophy and the Runner-up Veteran Angler of the Year Trophy, Sub Junior Angler of the year trophy, Runner-up Sub Junior Angler of the year, Alvey Casting Champion will be announced at the Open-Day and Awards if applicable, presented. (ADM 1/98)
- (c) Runner-up Championship pockets will have a dark green background. (ADM 1/96)

14. AMENDMENTS TO THE BY-LAWS

No By-Law, Rule or any other rule referred to in the By-Laws, are to be changed once a Fishing Year has commenced.

15. NSW FCA CHAMPIONSHIP TEAMS (ADM 1/89)

The following criteria shall be applied when selecting NSW FCA Divisional Teams, All nominees for NSW FCA championships must be financial members of SMD at the time of nomination.

- (a) The first four places shall be the four best SMD point scorers from the last Divisional Teams Championships, of the relevant section.
- (b) The current Angler of the Year shall be invited to attend all State Championship Teams
- (c) The current and preceding SMD Estuary, Deep-Sea and Charter Boat Champions, at the end of the calendar year prior to the date of selection, shall be invited to attend the respective Divisional Teams Championships. (ADM 1/91)
- (d) The current SMD Beach Champion, the current SMD Rock Champion and the previous year's SMD Rock Champion, at the end of the calendar year prior to the date of selection, shall be invited to attend the Rock and Beach Divisional Teams Championships.
- (e) After previous clauses (a), (b), (c) and (d) have been satisfied, the balance of the team shall be made up to twenty anglers, in order of merit relevant to the competition from the two previous years competitions in the relevant sections and invited to attend a Team Selection Meeting. The twelve highest ranked anglers attending the meeting shall be selected to represent the Division. Members lodging an apology with the Competition Secretary, prior to the meeting, shall be deemed to be present at the meeting. Apologies will be by individuals only NO group apologies will be accepted. (ADM 1/91)
- (f) Nominations will be accepted only after the qualifying competition for that section has been fished. Nominees will be graded according to their qualifying score. (ADM 1/97).
- (g) FRESHWATER (ADM 1/97)
 - i. Nominations for the Frank Gregory Freshwater will be by individuals only. No group nominations will be accepted.
 - ii. Nominations will be accepted by the competition secretary no earlier than three months prior to the event.
 - iii. Nominees must be financial members of the SMD at the time of nomination.
 - iv. After clauses 15a and 15b have been satisfied, the make up of the team (from nominations received) will be selected by the competition secretary and two other persons from the top 4 (four) point scorers from the previous event (whom will be selected at the discretion of the competition secretary).
 - v. Successful nominees will be notified and a team meeting arranged approximately four weeks prior to the event.
- (h) GUIDELINES FOR FRESHWATER TEAM. SELECTION (ADM 1/97)
 - 1) Previous Divisional Freshwater Results.
 - 2) Freshwater experience.
 - 3) Being a team player.
 - 4) Being seen to have supported the division in events other than the freshwater.
 - 5) Having access to a boat, (Although not compulsory, it makes access around the impoundment much easier).
 - 6) After all other selection criteria have been met, the final team selection will be at the discretion of the three person selection panel.

16 RULES APPLYING TO CHARTER BOAT CHAMPIONSHIPS

(a) CHARTER BOAT CHAMPIONSHIPS

A Charter Boat Championship shall be held within the Division's Fishing Year. The Championship is to be held on any one day during the fishing year, as determined by a Delegates' Council Meeting. (DCM 10/12)

(b) NOMINATIONS

- (a) Competing clubs may enter teams of up to four (4) persons. There will be no restriction on the number of teams or individuals a club may enter. (ADM 1/97)
- (b) If the nominated outing is cancelled due to inclement weather, the club can re-nominate to compete again within the designated fishing year.
- (c) Clubs may nominate to fish more than once, but no team or individual can fish more than once.
- (d) Competing clubs may joint hire one Charter Boat.

(c) BOUNDARIES

Charter Boats leaving from Sydney Harbour, Botany Bay, Port Hacking and Wollongong Harbour. All waters accessible.

(d) COMPETITION TIMES

Lines down at 0500 hours, to lines up at 1300 hours.

(e) REGISTRATIONS

- I. Registrations must be received in accordance with the Broadsheet for the event.
- II. All nominations are to be in the hands of the Competition Secretary, at least one week prior to the nominated day of competition.
- III. Competitors who have nominated one week prior and wish to withdraw, must notify the Competition Secretary before 7 pm on the Friday prior to the competition. (ADM 1/97)
- IV. Ladies, Juniors and Veterans must nominate for there individual section at the time of nomination. (ADM 1/97)

(f) AWARDS

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| (1) Champion Team. | (2) Runner-up to Champion Team. |
| (3) Open Champion. | (4) Runner-up to Open Champion. |
| (5) Lady Champion. | (6) Junior Champion |
| (7) Veteran Champion.
Trophy. | (8) Champion Charter Boat Club |

Heaviest of Species:
Snapper, Morwong, Flathead, Leatherjacket, Kingfish, Trevally, Pigfish and heaviest
other eligible species.

(g) PRESENTATION OF AWARDS

Awards will be presented at the SMD Presentation Dinner.

(h) SCRUTINEERS

- I. Scrutineers shall be sanctioned by the Competition Secretary and nominated when teams are registered for the competition.
- II. Scrutineers can be can be the Charter Boats Captain or a member from another SMD affiliated Club.
- III. Scrutineers shall be impartial (ADM 1/97).
- IV. A Scrutineer cannot fish in the competition on the day he/she is scrutineer (ADM 1/97).

(i) DUTIES OF SCRUTINEERS

- I. Ensure fishing times are adhered to.
- II. Ensure fish attain or exceed the SMD legal length list.
- III. Weigh the catch and record the point score. Ensure the point score is in the hands of the Competition Secretary, within seven days of the competition and is counter signed by a member of the competing club(s).
- IV. Ensure all competitors abide by the Constitution and By-Laws of the SMD.

(j) WEIGHING IN

- I. Clubs are to provide their own scales, which carry the correct certification.
- II. The weigh-in shall be conducted by the Scrutineer at the conclusion of competition.

(k) COMPETITION RULES

The Competition will be conducted in accordance with the By-Laws of the SMD. The following exceptions to the By-Laws will apply:

- I. Trolling will not be permissible.
- II. Competitors must use one line with a maximum of two baits. (No more than two hooks or two baits are to be used). A flight of ganged hooks is classed as one hook.
- III. All competitors shall use the same weighted sinker, which shall be either 450 grams (1 pound) or 340 grams (3/4 pound), as decided by the competitors on the day.
- IV. All competitors shall fish from a drifting boat. Anchoring will not be permitted.

17 AMENDMENT LOG (2008)

(a) CHARTER BOAT CHAMPIONSHIPS

- I. Revised numbering in section 16
- II. Added amendment log.