

Port Macquarie Game Fishing Club Newsletter



"Home of the Golden Lure"
Issue #4— October 2025
Your monthly dose of angling updates.



The excitement is building!

The Marlin season is officially here, and the action has already kicked off in our in-house comp.

Keep an eye out for those rising water temperatures and bait schools The Marlins are here!

This edition has all the latest on recent catches, club news, and a look at what's to come. Tight lines, everyone!

Hi Members,

Wow, what a month it's been — the fishing has been absolutely fantastic! Unfortunately, due to work commitments I missed the Season Opener Challenge, but it was great to see 16 boats finish with 23 fish, with the weather really turning it on for you all.

A huge thank you to the committee and everyone involved — it was such a great weekend, and I've heard nothing but positive reports.

This month we also had our Northern Zone Presentation, where the Port Macquarie Game Fishing Club and its anglers did an outstanding job. It's fantastic to see the results and the effort paying off.

We're now full steam ahead as we prepare for the Golden Lure — shaping up to be another brilliant year. I'm looking forward to seeing everyone there.

Once again, the fishing has been incredible — these stripe marlin never cease to amaze me!

Cheers

Club President - Matthew Hobbs

Matthew Hobbs

UPCOMING EVENTS

Saturday 4th & 5th October
Northern Zone

Friday 10th October
Social BBQ @ 6pm
Club House


Saturday 11th & Sunday 12th October
Major Points weekend

Saturday 25th & Sunday 26th October
Major Points weekend



HIGHLIGHTS






 In-House Season Opener Challenge
September!

23 Striped Marlin tagged over two days, and a few that got away. 🔥
16 boats that hit the water.

🌟 • 1st Place – Makajiki, 7 striped marlin tagged, 80,500 points (Skipper: Adam Garvey)

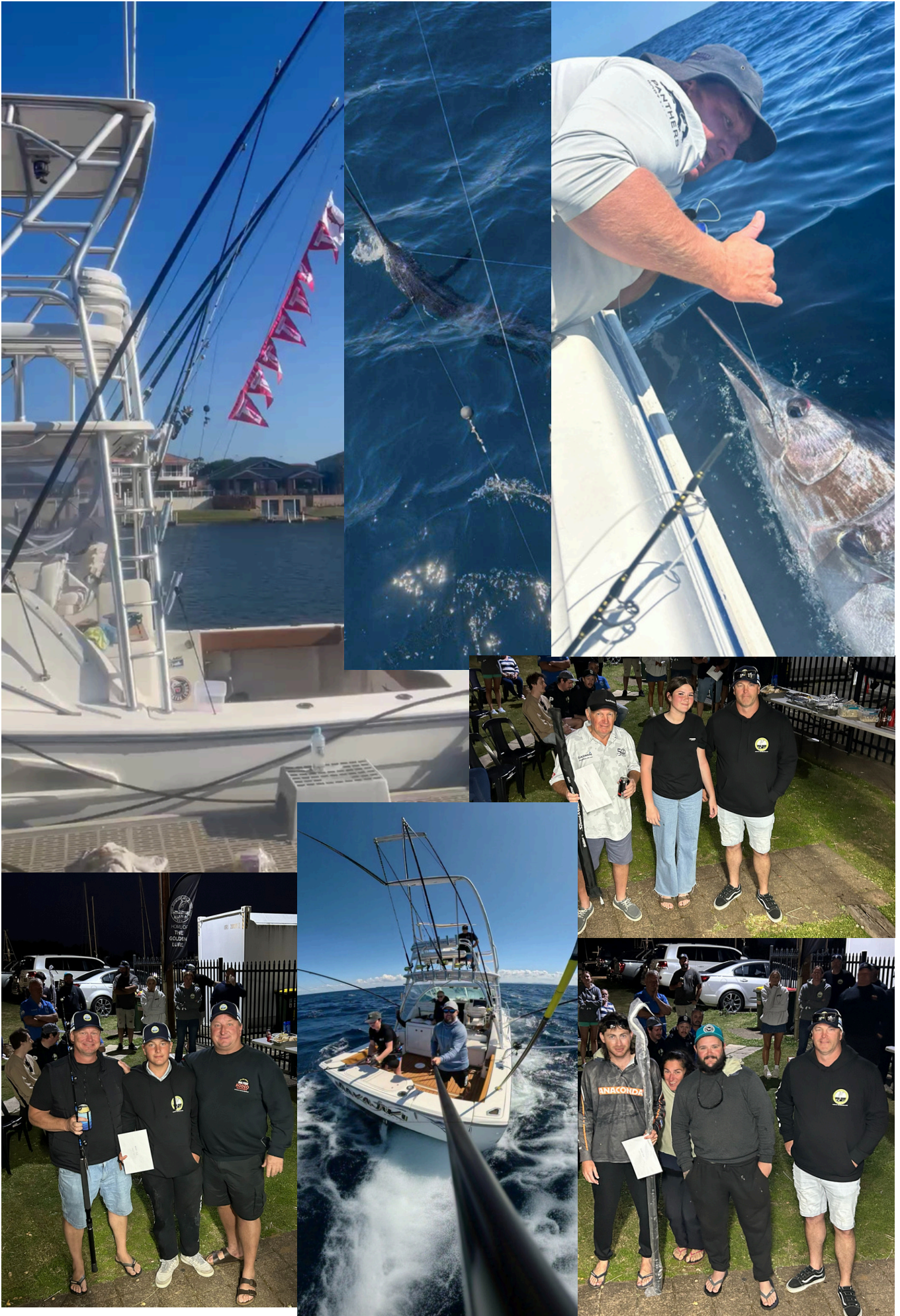
🌟🌟 • 2nd Place – Lone Ranger, 6 striped marlin tagged, 70,000 points (Skipper: Dan Hoogenboom)

🌟🌟🌟 • 3rd Place – Smine 2, 4 striped marlin tagged, 46,000 points (Skipper: Cory Gordon)

    1st Marlin Tagged of the season – Salt Dog, angler Tim Ferguson



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Northern Zone Presentation 2024/25 🎉🏆

Congratulations to all PMGFC members who received awards at the Northern Zone Presentation – a fantastic effort and well deserved! 🙌👏

All Northern Zone dates for 2025/26 season are on the PMGFC Calendar 📅

🏆 Runner Up Club T&R - PMGFC (well done everyone)

★ Highest Point Scoring Boat T&R Shark - Little Tinny

★ Highest Point Scoring Boat Capture Tuna - Care Factor Zero

★ Highest Point Scoring Boat Capture Other Game Fish - Bear

★ Champion Angler T&R Junior - Indi Garvey

★ Champion Capture Female - Rebecca Dingeldei

★ Heaviest Tuna - Samantha Trinder

★ Heaviest Other Game Fish - Geoff Carroll



NSWGFA
Northern Zone Competition
2024-2025
**HEAVIEST
TUNA - Yellowfin
Samantha Trinder**
Addiction ~ PMGFC
53.6 Kgs



🏆 NSW Northern Zone
Presentation Awards

Highest Point Scoring
Boat - Capture

Champion Female
Angler - Capture



🏆 PMGFC taking out
runner up in both
capture and tag and
release categories 🙌

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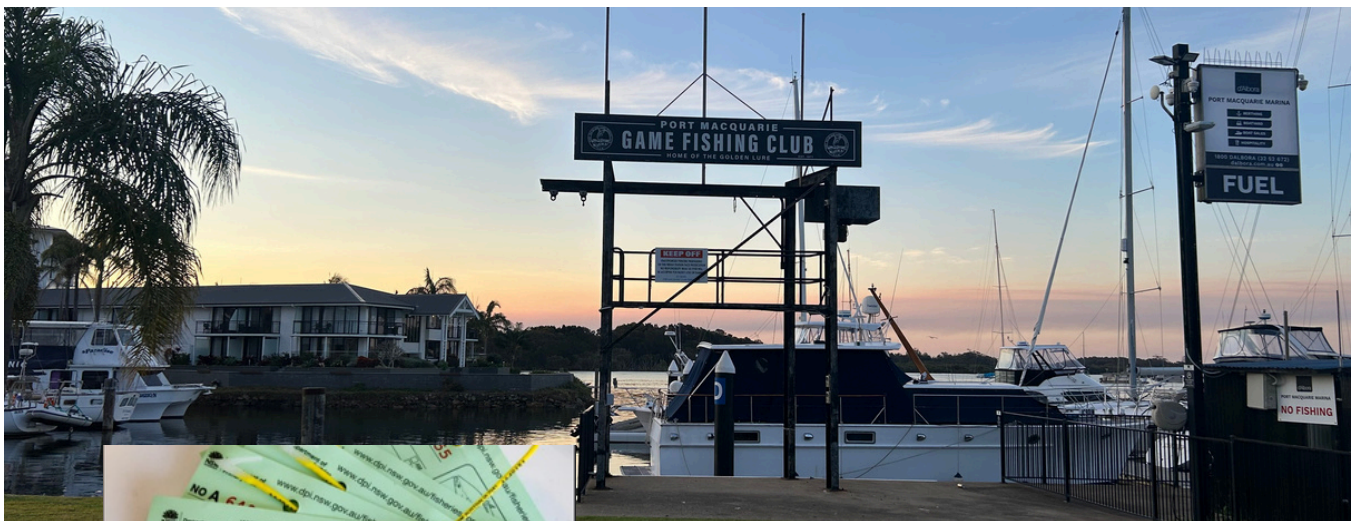
The fish are firing!

Don't forget to call our Weigh Masters
to get your captures weighed:

☎ Matthew Hobbs – 0429 539 163

☎ Adam Garvey – 0406 536 446

Remember to fill in your Tag cards with your Capture/Tag &
release sheet and drop them into the clubhouse or Cascade
Pool & Spa Centre @ 99 Hastings River Drive, Port Macquarie.
To be submitted within in two weeks from capture date.

A close-up of a fishing tag card. The card is green and white with a yellow pencil. It has fields for "DATE", "TIME", "LOCALITY", "SPECIES", "LENGTH (cm)", "WEIGHT (kg)", "HOOK LOCATION", "ANGLER'S NAME", and "ADDRESS". It also has checkboxes for "BAG FISH PREVIOUSLY TAGGED?", "BLOODING FROM GILLS", "CIRCLE HOOK", "NON OFF-SET", and "FISH CONDITION". The tag number "NO A 649151" is printed in red.

SMALL FRY / JUNIORS CORNER

How great is this!

We're so proud of the next generation of our Small Fry and Juniors, proudly making waves out on the water.

They're showing incredible dedication and skill, proving the future of our club is in great hands.



SMALL FRY / JUNIORS CORNER



We're so proud to see your passion and skills grow with every cast.

Keep reeling in those memories and making us all proud!

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Be a responsible fisher - know the rules!

Match the descriptions to the correct part of the image

Some areas are closed to fishing to protect our fish populations - make sure you know where these areas are

Measure your catch from the tip of the snout to the tip of the tail.

Only keep fish that you want to eat. Release all others carefully back to the water.

Be careful not to damage seagrass - it's an important part of the marine eco-system!



Everyone has a role in protecting fisheries in NSW. Fishing rules are in place to make sure we fish sustainably and responsibly so everyone can enjoy fishing!

Check the bag and size limits of your catch - only take what you need!

Download the FishSmart app for all the essential information you need to go fishing in NSW.

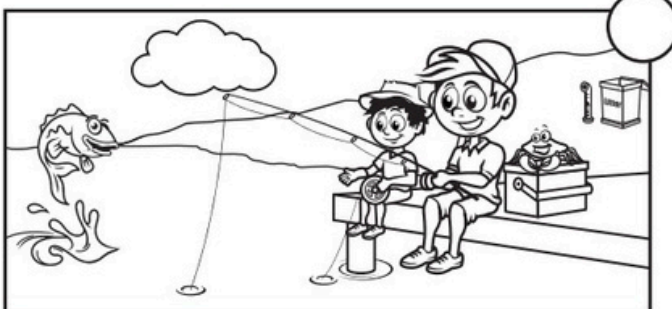
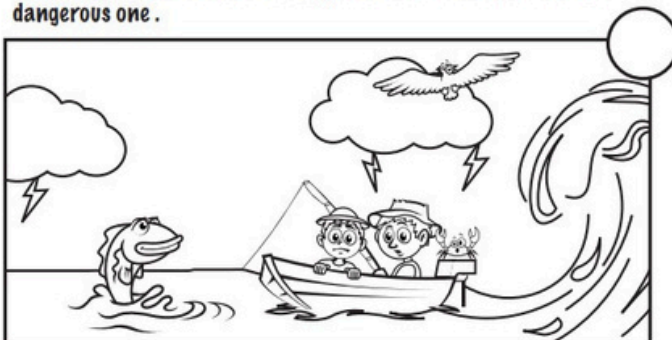
Litter can be harmful to fish and their environment. Make sure you leave no litter behind.

Fish with friends!

Never fish alone. Always fish with a responsible friend known to your parents/guardian and be aware of rules and regulations.

To fish or not to fish?

Put a tick next to the safe fishing scene and a cross next to the dangerous one.



Safety checklist:

Fill in the blanks from the choices below:

• Identification • Water • First Aid • Who • Weather • Tackle
• Where • Footwear • When • Lifejacket • Food • Rock • Sharp

- ☒ 1. Tell your parents or guardian _____ you are fishing with, _____ you will be and _____ you will get home.
- ☒ 2. Check the _____ before you go fishing.
- ☒ 3. Wear appropriate _____ to protect against slippery rocks and _____ edges.
- ☒ 4. Take a _____ kit.
- ☒ 5. Stick _____ and emergency details on the inside lid of your _____ box.
- ☒ 6. Wear a _____ if you are going to be fishing from a boat or _____ platform.
- ☒ 7. Make sure you have the right clothing, _____ and _____ for variable weather conditions.

You have more fun when you fish with friends!


Answers: 1. Who 2. Where 3. When 4. Weather 5. First Aid 6. Tackle 7. Food 8. Sharp 9. Lifejacket 10. Rock 11. Footwear 12. Water 13. Weather

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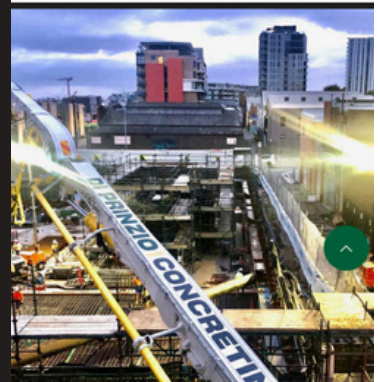
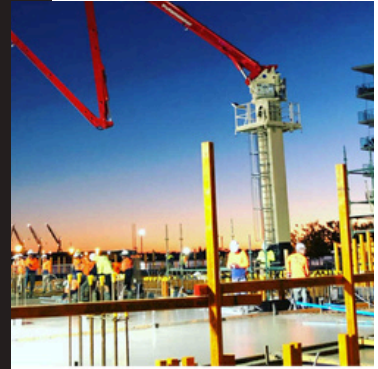


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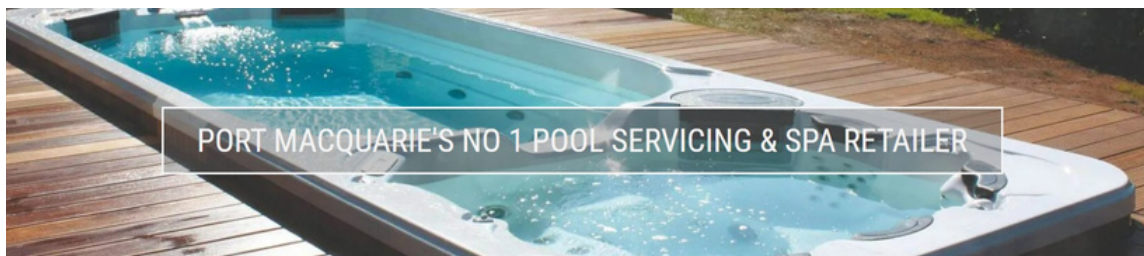
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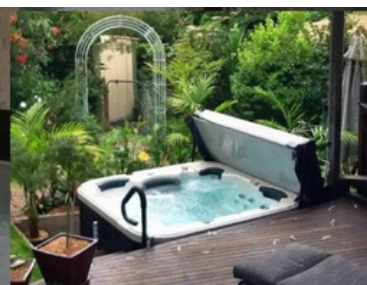
SERVICES

No matter how deep or how green, our experienced team can clean and correct your water to have your pool or spa looking brand new.



SUPPLIES

Whether it's pool chemicals, heaters or robotic cleaners, we offer a range of supplies and systems to keep your pool looking amazing.



SPAS

We're the local dealer for Just Spas, so we can install any of their quality spas and hot tubs.



Cascade Pools & Spas specialises in cleaning and maintenance across Port Macquarie and Kempsey. Servicing both commercial and residential pools, spas and hot tubs, we supply chemicals, heaters, pumps, and even robotic cleaners to keep water sparkling. Plus, we're local dealers for Just Spas! **Call us today**

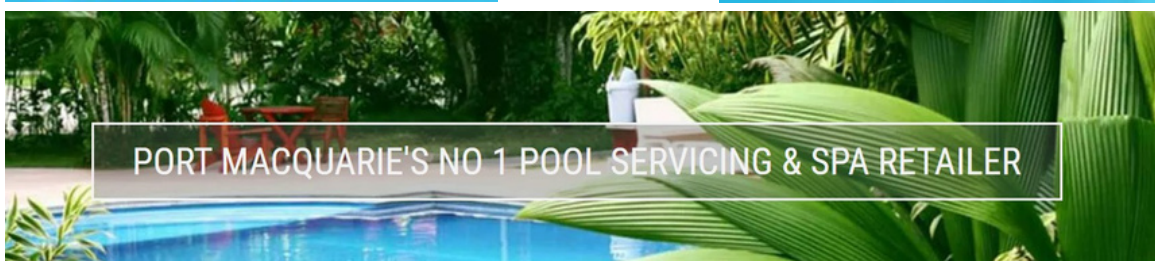
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Macquarie NSW 2444
29-31 Forth Street, Kempsey

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Kempsey Phone: (02) 6563 1214

Email:
sales@cascadepoolandspa.com.au

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Mon-Fri 8:30 AM - 5:00 PM
Sat 8:30 AM - 1:00 PM



PORT MACQUARIE'S NO 1 POOL SERVICING & SPA RETAILER

PMGFC

Presents



LADIES PAINT & SIP AFTERNOON



With Local Artist – Pauline Roods

Sunday 9th November – 1PM – 5PM
Venue: PMGFC Club House at the Marina

\$55 PER PERSON

**INCLUDES: ALL ART MATERIALS, AND
CHEESE/SWEET PLATTERS.
BYO BEVERAGES**

NUMBERS ARE LIMITED

**Pre-Bookings and Pre-Payment is Essential for
Bookings and Further Details Please Contact**

PAULINE ROODS (041 9408 426)

**Please Advise us on Any Dietary Issues.
Tea & Coffee Supplied**

PORT MACQUARIE GAME FISHING CLUB



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Web: www.pmgfc.com.au

President:	Matthew Hobbs	0429 539 163	Vice President:	Adam Garvey	0406 536 446
Secretary:	Rebecca Dingeldei	0402 261 796	Treasurer:	Jenny Lamond	0408 400 892

CLUB FISHING CALENDAR JULY 2025 TO JUNE 2026

July 2025			January 2026		
Wednesday 2nd	General Meeting	6:30pm	Saturday 3rd	Northern Zone	7:00am - 5:00pm
Saturday 5th	Major Points	7:00am - 4:00pm	Sunday 4th	Northern Zone	7:00am - 5:00pm
Sunday 6th	Major Points	7:00am - 4:00pm	Wednesday 7th	General Meeting	6:30pm
Saturday 12th Fri	Social BBQ	12:00pm	2026 GOLDEN LURE		
18th - Sun 20th	NSWGFA AGM & Interclub Preso		Thursday 8th	Sponsors Evening	TBC
Saturday 19th	Major Points	7:00am - 4:00pm	Friday 9th	Briefing Night	6:00pm
Sunday 20th	Major Points	7:00am - 4:00pm	Saturday 10th	Day 1 - Fishing	9:00am - 5:00pm
August 2025			Sunday 11th	Day 2 - Fishing	7:00am - 5:00pm
Saturday 2nd	Major Points	7:00am - 4:00pm	Monday 12th	Skipper & Crew Night	6:00pm
Sunday 3rd	Major Points	7:00am - 4:00pm	Tuesday 13th	Ladies & Junior's Day	8:00am - 4:00pm
Wednesday 6th	General Meeting	6:30pm	Wednesday 14th	Kids Onshore Day	9:00am - 12:00pm
Saturday 9th	Club Presentation	2:00pm	Thursday 15th	Day 3 - Fishing	7:00am - 5:00pm
Saturday 16th	Major Points	7:00am - 4:00pm	Friday 16th	Day 4 - Fishing	7:00am - 5:00pm
Sunday 17th	Major Points	7:00am - 4:00pm	Saturday 17th	Presentation	11:30am
September 2025			Saturday 24th	Major Points	7:00am - 5:00pm
Wednesday 3rd	General Meeting	6:30pm	Sunday 25th	Major Points	7:00am - 5:00pm
Saturday 6th	Northern Zone	7:00am - 4:00pm	February 2026		
Sunday 7th	Northern Zone	7:00am - 4:00pm	Wednesday 4th	General Meeting	6:30pm
Friday 12th	Season Opener Challenge BBQ	6:00pm	Thursday 5th - 8th	Hot Current Tournament - Coffs	
Saturday 13th	Season Opener Challenge MP	7:00am - 5:00pm	Friday 6th	Social BBQ	6:00pm
Sunday 14th	Season Opener Challenge MP	7:00am - 2:00pm	Saturday 7th	Major Points Northern Zone	7:00am - 5:00pm
Saturday 27th	Major Points	7:00am - 4:00pm	Sunday 8th	Major Points Northern Zone	7:00am - 5:00pm
Sunday 28th	Major Points	7:00am - 4:00pm	Thursday 12th - 15th	Billfish Shootout - Port Stephens	
October 2025			Thursday 19th - 22nd	NSWGFA Interclub State Championships	
Wednesday 1st	General Meeting	6:30pm	Saturday 21st	Major Points	7:00am - 5:00pm
Saturday 4th	Northern Zone	7:00am - 4:00pm	Sunday 22nd	Major Points	7:00am - 5:00pm
Sunday 5th	Northern Zone	7:00am - 4:00pm	March 2026		
Friday 10th	Social BBQ	6:00pm	Wednesday 4th	General Meeting	6:30pm
Saturday 11th	Major Points	7:00am - 5:00pm	Saturday 7th	Northern Zone	7:00am - 5:00pm
Sunday 12th	Major Points	7:00am - 5:00pm	Sunday 8th	Northern Zone	7:00am - 5:00pm
Saturday 25th	Major Points	7:00am - 5:00pm	Friday 13th	In House Comp BBQ	6:00pm
Sunday 26th	Major Points	7:00am - 5:00pm	Saturday 14th	In House Comp MP	7:00am - 5:00pm
November 2025			Sunday 15th	In House Comp MP	7:00am - 2:00pm
Saturday 1st	Major Points Northern Zone	7:00am - 5:00pm	Saturday 28th	Major Points	7:00am - 5:00pm
Sunday 2nd	Major Points Northern Zone	7:00am - 5:00pm	Sunday 29th	Major Points	7:00am - 5:00pm
Wednesday 5th	General Meeting	6:30pm	April 2026		
Saturday 8th - Sunday 9th	Northern Zone Overnight	7:00am - 5:00pm	Wednesday 1st	General Meeting	6:30pm
Friday 14th	Social BBQ	6:00pm	Saturday 4th	Northern Zone Northern Zone	7:00am - 4:00pm
Saturday 15th	Major Points	7:00am - 5:00pm	Sunday 5th	Zone	7:00am - 4:00pm
Sunday 16th	Major Points	7:00am - 5:00pm	Friday 10th	In House Comp BBQ	6:00pm
December 2025			Saturday 11th	In House Comp MP	7:00am - 5:00pm
Wednesday 3rd	General Meeting	6:30pm	Sunday 12th	In House Comp MP	7:00am - 2:00pm
Saturday 6th	Christmas Party	12:00pm	Saturday 25th	Major Points	7:00am - 4:00pm
Saturday 6th	Northern Zone	7:00am - 5:00pm	Sunday 26th	Major Points	7:00am - 4:00pm
Sunday 7th	Northern Zone	7:00am - 5:00pm	Thursday 30th	Annual General Meeting	6:00pm
Saturday 13th	Major Points	7:00am - 5:00pm	May 2026		
Sunday 14th	Major Points	7:00am - 5:00pm	Saturday 2nd	Northern Zone	7:00am - 4:00pm
Saturday 27th	Major Points	7:00am - 5:00pm	Sunday 3rd	Northern Zone	7:00am - 4:00pm
Sunday 28th	Major Points	7:00am - 5:00pm	Wednesday 6th	General Meeting	6:30pm
			Saturday 9th	Major Points	7:00am - 4:00pm
			Sunday 10th	Major Points	7:00am - 4:00pm
			Saturday 16th	Social BBQ	12:00pm
			Saturday 23rd	Major Points	7:00am - 4:00pm
			Sunday 24th	Major Points	7:00am - 4:00pm
			June 2026		
			Wednesday 3rd	General Meeting	6:30pm
			Saturday 6th	Major Points Northern Zone	7:00am - 4:00pm
			Sunday 7th	Major Points Northern Zone	7:00am - 4:00pm
			Saturday 13th	Social BBQ	12:00pm
			Saturday 20th	Major Points	7:00am - 4:00pm
			Sunday 23rd	Major Points	7:00am - 4:00pm

PLEASE NOTE: DAYS MAY BE ADDED OR MOVED AT THE DESCRETION OF THE PMGF CCOMMITTEE



Port Macquarie Game Fishing Club Inc

(Incorporated under the Associations Incorporations Act 1934) ABN: 50295 547 720

Boat Safety Rescue Form

Boat name:			
Rego No:		Make:	
Colour – Hull:		Topside:	
Length:		Construction:	
Full Cabin/ Half Cabin/ Runabout/ Other:			
Number of engines:		Inboard/ Outboard	Fuel: Cruising
Fuel capacity (ltrs):		Range:	speed: Call sign:
Radios	27MHz:		Call sign:
	VHF:		
Mobile phone no's on board			
Please note: Each boat must have at least a working VHF Transceiver with ch16, ch77 and ch80			
Please indicate what safety gear is on board			
EPIRB (Registration number):			Expiry date:
Number of flares:		Expiry date:	Colour:
No of life jackets:	First aid kit:	Bilge pumps:	Paddle:
GPS:	Compass:	Radar:	Torch:
Sea anchor:	V-Sheet:	Signalling mirror:	Bailer:
Emergency rations:		How many:	
Fresh water (2ltrs per person):		How many people on board:	
All boats must comply with the Current Waterways Authority Regulations for safety gear and procedures currently in force			
Insurance Information			
Insurance Company:			
Policy Number:		Type:	
Current: Yes/ No		Expiry date:	
Please attach your Certificate of Currency of insurance to this form			
Signed:	Name:		Date:
Witnessed:	Name:		Date:
Skippers name:		Boat licence no:	
Skipper signature:			Date:

Please return Boat Safety Forms to admin@pmgfc.com.au or

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Port Macquarie Game Fishing Club Inc

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Membership Application Form

I, (Full name)		Of,
(address)		
Suburb	State	Postcode
Phone:	Mobile:	
Email:		

Hereby apply for renewal/membership of Port Macquarie Game Fishing Club Inc.

I apply to become a new member/ renewal of Port Macquarie Game Fishing Club Inc.

Membership fees for the year 1st July 2025 to 30th June 2026		
Senior: \$150	(Early Bird fee payable \$125 if paid prior to 31/7/2025)	\$
Discounted rate of \$125 for membership from 1/2/2026 to 30/6/2026		\$
Junior: \$30 (15 Years and under)	DOB:	\$
Small Fry: \$30 (10 Years and under)	DOB:	\$
Non Fishing Member: \$30		\$
Total:		\$
Please note: Day Memberships are no longer available		

I agree to be bound by the Rules & By Laws of the Association (currently in force)

Signature	Date
To be completed for New Membership Application	
Have you ever been suspended from another club?	Yes/No
If yes, please state reason:	
Proposer and seconder must be a member with at least 1 year standing.	
Proposed by:	Signed:
Seconded by:	Signed:

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Payments to be made to BSB: 932-000 Account: 5000 99486 using your name as a reference.

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Website: www.pmgfc.com.au - **New updates are happening!**

Email: admin@pmgfc.com.au

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Wanting to become a member of PMGFC?

Complete the membership Form, email @ admin@pmgfc.com.au

That's all for now from the PMGFC newsletter team. We're looking forward to an even brighter October!

We couldn't be prouder of everything our members accomplished this month. Every story, from the trophy catches to the exciting near misses, highlights the passion and sportsmanship that define our club.

A special shout-out is due to our amazing volunteers; your hard work behind the scenes is what makes it all possible.

You are the heart of the PMGFC, and your camaraderie on and off the water is what makes this community so great.

Thank you for another wonderful month!



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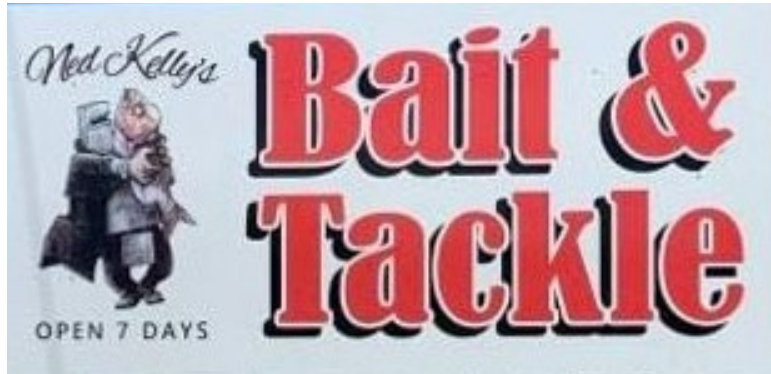
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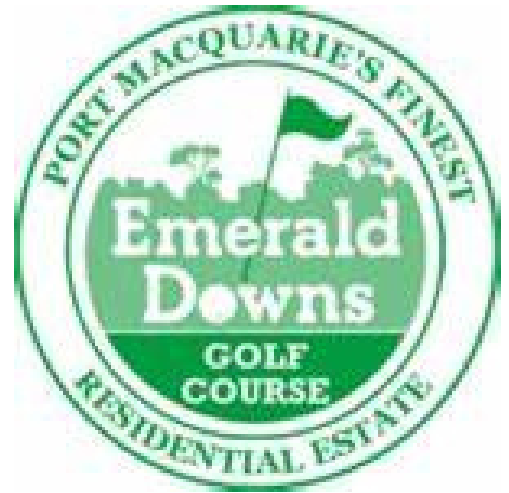
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