

# 19th Australian Snapper Championship Entry Form

Post this page only to Australian Snapper Championship, PO Box 126, Whyalla, SA, 5600.

Faxed entry forms to 8644 2355 are also accepted provided payment is via credit card.

**Payments by cheque should be made to: Whyalla City Council.**

A separate form is required for each entrant. Photocopies are acceptable.

Phone 1800 088 589 for extra forms, or download from [www.australiansnapper.com.au](http://www.australiansnapper.com.au)

**PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY, SUPPLY ALL DETAILS & ENCLOSE FULL PAYMENT.**

Surname \_\_\_\_\_ First name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Suburb: \_\_\_\_\_

State \_\_\_\_\_ P'code \_\_\_\_\_ Ph: Hm \_\_\_\_\_ Wk \_\_\_\_\_

Mobile \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_ Fax \_\_\_\_\_

Male  Female  Adult  Junior  (Please tick appropriate boxes.)

The following information is for administrative and planning purposes only. It should not be interpreted as competition categories.

Boat fishing  Land-based  (Please tick one or more boxes as appropriate.)

***The BOAT OWNER/SKIPPER ONLY is to complete the following on his/her entry form:***

Make \_\_\_\_\_ Length \_\_\_\_\_ Boat name \_\_\_\_\_

Boat rego \_\_\_\_\_ Trailer rego \_\_\_\_\_

Tow vehicle rego \_\_\_\_\_ Radio call sign \_\_\_\_\_

***CREW MEMBERS ONLY are to complete the following, if possible, but not the above:***

Name of owner/skipper of boat from which you will compete: \_\_\_\_\_

## PAYMENT DETAILS

(Please fill out amount in appropriate space below. All entry fees include GST.)

### EARLYBIRD DISCOUNT

To qualify, must be paid by 5pm, Friday, March 12, 2010

### STANDARD FEES:

Applicable after 5pm, Friday, March 12, 2010

Adult (\$35.00) \_\_\_\_\_ Junior, 16 & under (\$10.00) \_\_\_\_\_ Adult (\$55.00) \_\_\_\_\_ Junior, 16 & under (\$15.00) \_\_\_\_\_

(Please tick appropriate boxes below.)

### CREDIT CARD INFORMATION REQUIRED:

Mastercard  Visa No. \_\_\_\_\_ Expiry date: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

Card holder's name: \_\_\_\_\_ Card holder's signature: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please also send me:** Accommodation details  Visitor information  (Please tick if required.)

*In consideration of and as a condition of my entry in the Australian Snapper Championship, I, my heirs, executors, and administrators agree to indemnify and to keep indemnified and to hold harmless the organisers of the Australian Snapper Championship, its servants and agents and rescue services and each of them from and against actions, costs, claims, damages, charges and expenses whatsoever which may be brought or made or claimed against them or any of them arising out of or in relation to their participation in the Australian Snapper Championship. I have read the Rules & Conditions, which I understand and agree to be bound.*

### ADULT ENTRANT

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

### CHILD ENTRANT (16 years & under)

A parent or guardian must sign the following:

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of parent/guardian \_\_\_\_\_

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Receipt number .....

Amount paid .....

Date .....

Processed by .....

# Prize list keeps growing

AT THE time of preparing this entry form the collection of prizes was still being finalised, but previous competitors can expect another bagful. The full list will be posted on the website when completed and included in the **Championship Weekend Newsletter**, but in the meantime whet your appetite on the following prize categories:

The prize list so far:

- One adult random draw for a \$17,000 Jet Ski package. (To qualify for this draw, competitors simply have to participate in the championship and be present at the presentation ceremony on the Sunday night – irrespective whether you have weighed in fish or had a bad-luck weekend.)
- Top 10 heaviest snapper.
- Bob Buckton Memorial Award for the heaviest snapper caught by a female.
- 20 mystery weight snapper prizes.
- 10 boat owner random draws.
- Five random snapper encouragement awards for juniors.
- 20 prizes each day Friday, Saturday and Sunday in "Other Species." Total of 60 prizes.
- Five random Earlybird draws.

That's 112 reasons, just for starters, to enter the 19th Australian Snapper Championship.

## Fishing, boat safety, road rules

INFORMATION covering identification of species, bag limits and minimum sizes will be available in the championship marquee, supplemented by a special section in competitor's information kits.

However, it may be handy to know some of these details, particularly if you do not live in SA, before you hook the boat up and head for Whyalla – eg, In SA a licence is required to operate a boat, and a warning "flag" must be attached to the outboard propeller when on the road.

Check out the following web sites to ensure you are aware of all the various SA regulations:

[www.pir.sa.gov.au/fishing](http://www.pir.sa.gov.au/fishing) (Recreational fishing info.)

[www.transport.sa.gov.au](http://www.transport.sa.gov.au) (Marine safety, road rules.)

## THE ONES TO BEAT!

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| 2009: 15.65kg, Ashley Talbot, Semaphore Park, SA | 1999: 13.65kg, Adrian Ellis, SA       |
| 2008: 13.88kg, Darrell Murray, Whyalla.          | 1998: 11.9kg, Peter Lipczyk, Whyalla. |
| 2007: 14.06kg, Andrew Hodges, Vic.               | 1997: 13.45kg, Richard Caldwell, Why  |
| 2006: 14.22kg, John Xerri, Vic.                  | 1996: 15.5kg, Hans Jaritz, Whyalla.   |
| 2005: 14.66kg, Wesley Yates, SA.                 | 1995: No event due to change of date  |
| 2004: 14.72kg, Heath Withers, NSW.               | 1994: 10.9kg, Rudi Klicek, Whyalla.   |
| 2003: 15.98kg, Daniel Fell, Whyalla.             | 1993: 13.09kg, Gary Paddick, SA.      |
| 2002: 14.84kg, Luch Demarchi, SA.                | 1992: 9.9kg, Ralf Pidun, Whyalla.     |
| 2001: 14.36kg, Eric Calder, SA.                  | 1991: 14.0kg, Tom Cheesman, Why.      |
| 2000: 13.55kg, Ken Halse, SA.                    |                                       |

## DO NOT USE ENTRY FORM On the other side of this page to register on-line.

If you intend to register on-line you must log on to  
**[www.australiansnapper.com.au](http://www.australiansnapper.com.au)**  
And use the electronic entry form version.

### SPECIAL NOTE:

Nothing will be posted, faxed or E-mailed to competitors after the Earlybird close on Friday, March 12. Competitors who register after this date must collect their receipt and any other information from the event's Snapper HQ.

## Earlybird incentives

Five bonus draws will be held for all entries received and paid in full by Friday, March 12 to say "thank you" for helping organisers spread the administrative workload in processing the receipt of entries.

So, make sure your entry is in, fully completed, by the Earlybird date so that you qualify for both your discounted entry fee and bonus draws.

## FOR MORE INFORMATION

### GENERAL ENQUIRIES:

Whyalla Visitor Centre – seven days  
Phone: 1800 088 589. Fax: (08) 8645 3620  
E-mail: [visitor.centre@whyalla.sa.gov.au](mailto:visitor.centre@whyalla.sa.gov.au)

### ENTRY FORM PROCESSING ENQUIRIES:

Whyalla City Council – five days  
Phone: (08) 8640 3444. Fax (08) 8644 2355  
E-mail [rebecca.lichtenberger@whyalla.sa.gov.au](mailto:rebecca.lichtenberger@whyalla.sa.gov.au)

## SOUVENIRS!

Another range of quality souvenirs will be on sale at the Snapper HQ from 5pm, Thursday, April 1.

More details will be included on the website as items are finalised.

You'll definitely want to take some mementos home in 2010!

## Please read entry form carefully & thoroughly

Your entry form **MUST** be completed in full, accompanied by correct payment or credit card details and signed, otherwise it will not be processed and you will not be registered. Only fully completed entries received by 5pm March 12 will qualify for the special discount and bonus draws.

Ensure you read and understand the various rules and conditions, as well as all other material that you will receive and details of other sources for boating, fishing or road rules information. Once you have sent your entry form, please retain all other information for future reference.

# Whyalla's 19th Australian Snapper Championship

## RULES & CONDITIONS

### 1. ENTRY FEES – STANDARD

Adult \$55. Junior 16 years and under (as at 1/4/10) \$15.

### 2. ENTRY FEES – EARLYBIRD DISCOUNT

A special Earlybird discount applies to all entries received and paid by 5pm, Friday, March 12, 2010.

Adult \$35. Junior 16 years and under (as at 1/4/10) \$10.

The full standard entry fee **WILL** apply to all entries received after 5pm, Friday, March 12.

#### SPECIAL NOTE:

**To qualify for the earlybird rate and associated free draws, entries must be received by the Friday, not posted on Friday or still in the mail. Competitors who claim the earlybird discount, but whose entries do not arrive by the deadline, will be required to pay the balance.**

### 3. CLOSE OF ENTRIES - MAJOR CHANGE

Entries close at Whyalla Council and Whyalla Visitor Centre at 5pm, Friday, March 26 – six days prior to the event. Please note this major change to the lodging of entries. No entries taken in the championship marquee on the Thursday night.

**No entries accepted after 5pm, Friday, March 26.**

### 4. COLLECTION OF ID LANYARDS & INFO PACKS LOGGING OUT PROCEDURE

The system introduced in 2007 remains unchanged.

#### Collection of ID & information pack:

Every competitor (including juniors) **must** attend the Snapper HQ between 5pm and 9pm on Thursday, April 1, or from 7am on the Friday until the first time they start fishing to collect:

- Their personal ID lanyard, **to be worn at all times.**
- An information kit containing the official *Big Red* newsletter, fishing map, sticker and other fishing/boating information.
- Any other outstanding information to which they are entitled.
- Any outstanding payment invoices for settlement.

Competitors are responsible for ensuring they do not lose or forget their ID. Replacements will be at an additional fee of \$20.

**SPECIAL NOTE: Fish will not be accepted for weighing at the Weigh Station or prizes presented to competitors who are not wearing their ID lanyard.**

#### Logging out procedure:

When competitors collect their ID and information pack, their name will be "ticked off" and this will be regarded as having "logged out." This item should, however, be read in conjunction with Rule 6.

### 5. SNAPPER HQ

The Snapper HQ will operate in the marquee on Thursday 5pm-9pm and from Friday 7am continuously till Sunday 2pm. It is the overall control point for the championship, general enquiries, distribution of competitor's information kits, visitor information, souvenir sales, and contact for organisers.

### 6. BOAT LAUNCHING ON DAY 1

Both Whyalla Marina and Point Lowly ramps will be closed between 7am and 9am, after which competitors may launch their boats. Both ramps will be supervised during the initial launching period.

No car/boat/trailer to be left unattended in the marina queue prior to the start. Failure to comply may result in disqualification.

No boats are permitted to launch before 9am. If a boat is detected to have launched early, it will be required to be removed and relegated to the end of the queue for relaunching. Failure to comply may result in disqualification.

### 7. FISHING DAYS & HOURS (Same as 2009)

#### Snapper – Top 10 leader board & mystery weight

Snapper fishing from 9am Friday till 2pm Sunday.

#### Other Species

Day 1: Friday – 9am to 10pm.

Day 2: Saturday – 10pm Friday to 10pm Saturday.

Day 3: Sunday – 10pm Saturday to 2pm Sunday.

Fish to be entered in the individual fishing days must be weighed prior to closing time each day.

### 8. WEIGH-IN TIMES (Same as 2009)

Day 1: Friday - Noon to 10pm.

Day 2: Saturday - 7am to 10pm.

Day 3: Sunday - 7am to 2pm.

### 9. SNAPPER AND OTHER SPECIES (Same as 2009)

#### SNAPPER – heaviest and mystery weight

Competitors may weigh four snapper for the duration of the championship with all weights being entered under the single category of "snapper."

The 10 heaviest will be declared the *Top 10* winners, however, the condition still applies that only the heaviest fish – should a competitor have more than one in the *Top 10* – will be eligible. All other snapper will be eligible for a mystery weight prize.

The competitor with the heaviest snapper will be declared the 2010 Australian Snapper Championship champion.

In the event of a tie for any of the 10 positions, the affected placings will be regarded as equal, and prizes combined and distributed as evenly as possible. Should there be a tie for first place, each competitor will be declared a joint winner and receive a trophy. The additional bonus prizes will be combined and distributed as evenly as possible.

#### OTHER SPECIES

The following form daily categories in **Other Species**:

Blue crab, Australian herring (Tommy ruff), flathead, garfish, leather jacket, mullet, salmon, snook, trumpeter, whiting (any.)

Prizes will be awarded for each day's fishing: Day 1 Friday, Day 2 Saturday and Day 3 Sunday.

#### Blue Crab

One blue crab per competitor may be entered each day. One adult and one junior prize will be awarded each day for the biggest crab when measured from claw to claw.

#### Trumpeter

As a novelty, prizes will be awarded for the heaviest trumpeter. One fish may be weighed each day with one adult and one junior prize awarded each day.

#### All Other Species

Competitors may register one fish each day per category. These will not necessarily be the biggest, but based on mystery weights as per Rule 10.

In the event of a tie for any category, the names of those competitors will be placed in a container and the first drawn out will be deemed the winner. One adult and one junior prize will be awarded per category each day.

**PLEASE RETAIN THIS SECTION FOR FUTURE REFERENCE**

## 10. WINNING MYSTERY WEIGHT SECTIONS

Competitors who register a fish closest to pre-determined weights will be deemed winners of mystery weight categories.

## 11. OTHER PRIZES

A further selection of special prizes will be awarded, including the Bob Buckton Memorial Award for the heaviest snapper caught by a female, special boat owner's random prize draws and general incentive prizes.

## 12. CLAIMING OF PRIZES

### Snapper:

All snapper prizes will be announced and presented from 6pm on the Sunday in the championship marquee at the marina.

### Other species:

Day 1 winners will be announced via the information board in the marquee at the close of Friday fishing. Winners will be required to collect their prize from the Snapper HQ prior to Noon Sunday.

Day 2 winners will be announced via the information board at the close of Saturday fishing. Winners will be required to collect their prize from the Snapper HQ prior to Noon Sunday.

Day 3 winners will be announced via the information board as soon as possible after the 2pm close of the competition for claiming from the Snapper HQ between 4pm and 5pm.

### Other important information:

Prizes can only be claimed by the named winner, unless otherwise pre-arranged with the organisers.

### NOTE: All prize recipients must wear their ID lanyards to collect prizes.

As the presentation ceremony is part of the championship, it is a condition of entry that competitors who weigh a snapper will be available to receive their prize when called at the ceremony.

### Competitors MUST BE PRESENT when their prize is announced.

**Note:** Unclaimed prizes become the property of the organisers.

Should arrangements be made for the organisers to forward prizes to winners, it is the competitor's total responsibility to cover all costs associated with the delivery of the prize to their nominated address.

Organisers reserve the right to:

- Defer finalisation of results or allocation of prizes subject to the satisfactory conclusion of any investigation that may be under way into any matter of rules contravention.
- Re-allocate or change prizes.

Prizes can not be exchanged or product converted to cash.

## 13. CATCHING OF FISH

Each competitor must hook and land their own fish, but may have assistance (eg. gaffing, gilling or with the use of a landing net) provided that assistance does not entail handling of their rod, reel or line at any time prior to the fish being landed.

Note: Competitors must adhere strictly to all legislative regulations relating to exclusion zones surrounding aquaculture leases in the Fitzgerald Bay area, the SANTOS Port Bonython shipping terminal and OneSteel harbour, and aquatic reserves.

## 14. PRESENTATION OF FISH AT WEIGH STATION

### General condition

All fish must be presented in an undamaged condition in fish boxes/containers or plastic or Hessian bags. All visible and/or accessible tackle/bait must be removed.

**Note:** Competitors must ensure all fish are dead. No live fish are to be brought into the marquee, nor will they be weighed.

### Special snapper conditions

All snapper presented and deemed to be within the *Top 10* of the *Heaviest Snapper* category at any time throughout the

championship must be gutted by the competitor in the presence of an authorised person immediately after weighing. The *Top 10* competitors at the end of the event must be prepared to complete a Statutory Declaration prior to the presentation ceremony. Failure to comply with either of the above will disqualify the fish.

## 15. COMPLIANCE WITH SA REGULATIONS

All species caught must comply with Primary Industries and Resources SA regulations; and must be caught on fishing rods and/or hand lines. Competitors must comply with Port Authority regulations and all other relevant legislation.

It is the responsibility of competitors to be fully aware of regulations covering minimum size and bag limits of fish and crabs, and the requirement of boat licences and safety equipment in SA.

## 16. LAUNCHING & LAND-BASED AREA

As the championship is based at the Whyalla Marina, it is expected that most sea-based competitors will launch from this location. While some competitors may choose to launch at the Point Lowly boat ramp, no registration, weigh-in or catering facilities will be available at this site.

Land-based entrants must fish between the Foreshore Caravan Park and Point Douglas (north of Fitzgerald Bay), with the exclusion of the OneSteel and Santos areas.

## 17. COMPETITION TIMES COMPLIANCE

All competition times covering close of entries, fishing hours, and weigh-in times will be adhered to strictly.

Competitors who are not in the queue at the Weigh Station with a fish at 2pm on the Sunday, when the championship closes, will be deemed ineligible to weigh any further fish.

## 18. DECISIONS ARE FINAL

The decision of the Weigh Master and/or organisers is final.

## 19. PERSONS NOT PERMITTED TO ENTER

No person who works or has worked on a commercial fishing boat or recreational charter boat north of a line between Cowell and Wallaroo at any time during the preceding 12 months (calculated from the date of the championship) is permitted to enter.

## 20. DISQUALIFICATION

Any competitor found in breach of these Rules and Conditions may be disqualified from the competition, with specific reference to anglers who fail to comply with legislative regulations relating to exclusion zones.

The organisers reserve the right to disqualify any competitor who fails to follow a reasonable direction of organisers, Snapper HQ and weigh-in volunteers, traffic marshals, security personnel, or others acting on its behalf; fails to act in the spirit of the competition; or acts in a manner that may bring the event into disrepute. The organisers reserve the right to refuse entry.

**By signing this entry form and agreeing to the Rules and Conditions, you thereby agree to abide by any disqualification decision or ruling that may be imposed.**

# ALL ENTRIES CLOSE MARCH 26

Please take special note of the new closing date for ALL entries. Last entries will close at Whyalla Council and Whyalla Visitor Centre at 5PM FRIDAY, MARCH 26. This is six days prior to the event. No entries taken in the championship marquee on the Thursday night as previously. No entries accepted after above date.