

WESTERNPORT WHITING CHALLENGE 2017



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SATURDAY 4TH & SUNDAY 5TH MARCH

DAVID KRAMER will present the prizes from 4pm Sunday



MAJOR PRIZE

Aluminium 4.1m Makocraft Boat
25 HP Yamaha Outboard Motor
Precision Boat Trailers Trailer
Valued at over \$8000

CASH PRIZE

The first King George Whiting weighing 1kg or more wins \$1000 from Paul Worsteling

HEAVIEST 2 DAY BAG PRIZE

Original painting of a Whiting by Bridgit Thomas

Over 40 other prizes

Senior Male & Senior Female Categories, 5 Junior Categories PLUS Mystery Weight prizes in each category



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Lynne 0407 839 878
Kevin 0438 402 312
Rosco 0413 154 791
Chooka 03 5979 4612
(VRFish) Junior Fishing Clinic - Russell 0419 320 843

WESTERNPORT ANGLING CLUB

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CONDITIONS OF ENTRY AND GENERAL INFORMATION



Fishing Permitted within the boundaries of Westernport and Port Phillip Bays.

MAJOR PRIZE

Aluminium 4.1m Makocraft Boat (supplied by The Stessl Family Company),
25 HP Yamaha Outboard Motor (supplied by MY Marine) and a Precision Boat Trailers Trailer **Valued at over \$8000**

CASH PRIZES

The first King George Whiting weighing 1kg or more will win **\$1000** from Paul Worsteling.

OTHER PRIZES

Over 40 other prizes will be awarded to winners in Senior Male & Senior Female Categories, 5 Junior Categories PLUS Mystery Weight prizes in each category.

CLASSES

Only one class may be entered. Age for Junior Classes are as at March 3rd 2017.

If no birth date is supplied, the junior will be placed in the TEENS category.

- SM - Senior Male - 16 years or older
- SF - Senior Female - 16 years or older
- TEENS - Boys or Girls - 13 to 15 years
- B2 - Boys - 10 to 12 years
- B3 - Boys - under 10 years
- G2 - Girls - 10 to 12 years
- G3 - Girls - under 10 years

CATEGORIES - JUNIORS:

- Heaviest Fish per Junior Class from Heaviest to 5th Heaviest Fish.
- Most Meritorious Capture by a Junior (VRFish).

CATEGORIES - SENIOR MALE:

- Heaviest Fish from Heaviest to 5th Heaviest Fish.

CATEGORIES - SENIOR FEMALE:

- Heaviest Fish from Heaviest to 3rd Heaviest Fish.

CATEGORIES - COMBINED:

- Boat, Motor & Trailer to be drawn from all registered competitors.
- Heaviest Whiting for Challenge.
- First 1.0 kg or greater Whiting Weighed in.
- Heaviest Two Day Bag. Prize: Original painting of a Whiting by Bridgit Thomas.
- Mystery Weights for combined Two Day Bags for each Junior and Senior Class.

DATES & TIMES

Saturday 4th March

Breakfast	5:00-7:30am
Registration & Start	6:00am
Weigh-in Opens	10:30am
Registration Closes	2:00pm
Junior Fishing Clinic	2:00-2:45pm
Weigh-in Closes	6:00pm

Sunday 5th March

Breakfast	5:00-7:30 am
Start	6:00am
Weigh-in Opens	10:30am
Weigh-in Closes	3:30pm
Presentation & BBQ	4:00pm

FISHING RULES - JUNIORS

- Any fish weighed in by a Junior Competitor are eligible for the prize in the Junior Categories and the Combined Categories.
- Any fish weighed in by a Junior is INELIGIBLE for the Senior Categories.
- Junior Competitors may present up to 10 of their best King George Whiting, which must be **27cm or greater** in length.

FISHING RULES - SENIORS

- Senior Competitors may present up to 10 of their best King George Whiting, which must be **30cm or greater** in length.
- Any fish weighed in by a Senior Competitor is INELIGIBLE for the Junior Categories of the Competition.

GENERAL RULES AND WEIGH-IN

- **Professional Fishermen, Fishing Guides or Charter Operators & immediate family members are NOT eligible to enter this Amateur Event. This does not preclude competitors fishing on a Charter or with a Guide.**
- Each Competitor must hook, fight & land their own fish.
- All Fisheries regulations must be adhered to.
- Competitors must fish within the boundaries of Westernport and Port Phillip Bays.
- The Weigh Station will be at the Westernport Angling Club building adjacent to the Hastings Boat Ramp.
- Competitors must be at the Weigh Station by the deadline designated in this entry form.
- Fish presented after the deadline time will not be weighed.
- The weight of the anglers selected heaviest fish will be weighed separately from their bag for the Heaviest Fish categories. Any fish winning a Heaviest fish category will be excluded from the Anglers Aggregate bag. All other fish in the Heaviest fish category will be added to the Anglers bag prior to bag categories being determined.
- Fish are to be weighed whole. Mutilated fish will not be accepted. The Challenge Committee reserves the right to open any fish for inspection.
- The Challenge Committee reserves the right to inspect any equipment / boats used by competitors.
- Any boats found to contain illegal equipment will cause all competitors who used the boat to be disqualified.
- Any Angler found to be in breach of the Competition rules will be disqualified.
- Any protest must be in writing and lodged with the Weigh Station no later than 3 minutes after the deadline for the weigh-in close on the day of the fish being caught.
- All Challenge Committee decisions are final.
- In the case of a tied weight, the first fish weighed will be determined the winner.
- The Boat, Outboard Motor & Trailer shall be drawn from all competitors. To claim the prize, the valid Competitors Card matching the drawn competitor number must be presented within 5 minutes of the draw to claim the prize; otherwise a redraw will occur every 5 minutes until the prize is claimed.
- The Boat, Motor and Trailer will become the property of the Competitor registered against the Competitor number, not the presenter of the valid Competitor Card.

LIABILITY

- Westernport Angling Club (Inc.), It's Officers and Officials hold no responsibility for the behaviour, actions or decisions of the entrants and will not be held liable for any damage, injury or loss occasioned during the Challenge.
- All Competitors participate in the Competition knowing they accept all risk and liability for their actions and decisions.

WEATHER

- Competitors are encouraged to regularly check the local weather conditions and only participate if the conditions are suitable. No refunds will be given if a competitor decides not to fish due to inclement weather.

RADIO AND SAFETY

- This year we will not be having sign-on or sign-off, the club will be monitoring Ch 94 on 27MHz or Ch 16 on VHF.