

# Karumba Community Anglers Classic

## October 4th, 5th & 6th - 2019

Welcome to the 2019 Karumba Community Anglers Classic—we hope you have a safe, enjoyable and memorable time. This event is being run by the Gulf Barramundi Restocking Association—a not for profit, volunteer based entity and we welcome your input, participation and your involvement.

Proceeds raised over the weekend will be shared with other local Karumba not for profit organisations assisting with the event and the GBRA funds raised will go towards future restocking of barramundi into the Norman, Nicholson and Albert River systems in the Gulf of Carpentaria.

At all times we encourage you to engage in responsible sustainable fishing and respect and care for the Gulf environment—in 2019 we continue with the Catch & Release categories including all Barramundi, King Salmon and Grunter.

Contained in these pages you will find details to help you enjoy and participate in this event—as well as your nomination form—so to ensure you understand the rules and guidelines, categories, times and requirements—please take a moment to go through the information.

**Please check all event fishing times, weigh in open and closure times and the Catch & Release categories—all the information you need is provided so you can enjoy the weekend and participate fully**

**PLEASE COMPLETE AND LODGE YOUR NOMINATION FORM  
PAY YOUR NOMINATION FEE AND  
RECEIVE YOUR OFFICIAL EVENT ID CARD  
PRIOR TO COMMENCEMENT OF EVENT FISHING**

**BARRAMUNDI—KING SALMON (KING THREADFIN) AND GRUNTER ALL TO BE  
CATCH & RELEASE—PHOTOGRAPH ONLY**

**ANYONE ARRIVING AT THE WEIGH IN STATION TO WEIGH FISH IN - AND NOT  
HAVING COMPLETED AND LODGED THE NOMINATION FORMS/FEEES PRIOR TO  
COMMENCEMENT OF FISHING - WILL BE UNABLE TO LODGE THE FISH INTO  
THE COMPETITION.**

**EARLY BIRD NOMINATIONS FROM 20/9/19 TO 5PM ON 2/10/19 GO  
INTO A EARLY BIRD PRIZE DRAWS**

**ALL AGE GROUP NOMINATIONS ARE ELIGIBLE FOR NOMINATION PRIZES**

The Gulf Barramundi Restocking Association  
wishes to acknowledge and thank all the volunteers, participants and those who  
have donated and sponsored this years event.

We hope everyone enjoys themselves.

## **IMPORTANT DATES—TIMES—INFORMATION**

**for Karumba Anglers Classic 2019**

**EARLY BIRD NOMINATIONS—print forms from link on [www.karumba.qld.au](http://www.karumba.qld.au) website— MUST BE LODGED AND PAID BEFORE 5pm on 2nd October 2019 to be in Early Bird Draws**

**OR**

**Pick up from Ash's @ the Point Café—Karumba Point**

**OR**

**Pick up from Australia Post—Karumba**

**LODGING EARLY BIRD FORMS—Ash's @ the Point Café  
or Australia Post Karumba before 5pm on October 2nd 2019**

### **FRIDAY 4th October—GENERAL NOMINATIONS**

**Table outside Gallaghers Butcher Shop/Pharmacy area  
in Karumba town 9am to 5pm  
then Sunset Tavern 5pm to 8pm—Seafood Raffle Trays at Tavern**

### **SATURDAY 5th October— NOMINATIONS ONLY**

**TOWN BOAT RAMP – 7am to 11am  
All Nominations Close 11am Saturday 5th October**

**SATURDAY 5th and SUNDAY 6th October —WEIGH IN  
ALL AT THE KARUMBA RECREATION CLUB—7am to 4pm both days**

### **SUNDAY 6th October— PRESENTATIONS**

**Junior Category Presentations to commence—6pm at  
Karumba Recreation Club—BBQ—Club opens 4.30pm**

### **ADULT \$3000—CASH NOMINATION DRAW**

**DRAWING at 9pm on Sunday night – for this prize only you must be in  
attendance and claim within 5minutes of draw and present your KCAC**

**Nomination ID Card**

**(TV will be on for the NRL Grand Final—Jonesy providing music and  
entertainment)**

## How Do I Nominate

1. Read the information provided and the conditions on the nomination form.
2. Complete all sections of the nomination form, sign and lodge with the correct entry fee—see below for Nomination Locations and times
3. Nominations close at 11am on Saturday 5th October, 2019—no late lodgment will be accepted.
4. Please note the nomination fee is **CASH ONLY** as we have no credit card facilities and will not accept cheques.
5. Anyone wanting to weigh in—must have already completed the nomination form, lodged and been issued their ID/Registration card—NOTE: fish caught prior to lodging your nomination form will not be accepted for consideration in the event.
6. No refunds will be provided.

## Where and When Do I Nominate

- ♦ **EARLY BIRD NOMINATIONS ONLY** can be downloaded/printed from [www.karumba.qld.au](http://www.karumba.qld.au) or the facebook page “Gulf Barramundi Restocking Association” from September 20th 2019—or pick up forms from Ash’s @ The Point Café or Karumba Post Office from 20th September 2019 and must be lodged no later than 5pm on Wednesday 2nd October 2019 for inclusion in **SPECIAL EARLY BIRD PRIZE DRAW**
- ♦ **Friday 4th October- General NOMINATIONS** — in front of Butcher Shop/Pharmacy—Yappar Street Karumba from 9am to 5pm and Sunset Tavern 5-8pm
- ♦ **Saturday 5th October—NOMINATIONS 7am to 11am—TOWN BOAT RAMP—no nominations after 11am Saturday**
- ♦ **ALL WEIGH IN** is at Karumba Recreation Club—Karumba Development Road—from 7am to 4pm Saturday and Sunday—see attached sheet for full details of locations and times
- ♦ **Event Fishing Times** - from 4pm Friday afternoon 4/10/19 until 4pm on Sunday afternoon 6/10/19

**NOMINATIONS MUST BE LODGED AND NOMINATION FEES PAID—AND AN OFFICIAL**

**EVENT ID CARD ISSUED PRIOR TO COMMENCEMENT OF FISHING**

## How Do I Weigh In

The Karumba Recreation Club will be the **WEIGH IN POINT** - there will be a clear area with drive through and out option and a marquee set up.

Weigh in will open from 7am to 4pm on Saturday and 7am to 4pm on the Sunday with the close of all weigh ins and Catch and Release photographic details to be lodged by no later than **4pm**.

**PRESENTATIONS COMMENCE at the Karumba Recreation Club from 6pm on Sunday 6th October, 2019**

For further information— Contact Tournament Committee or Marshals:-

Phone—Wendy Langton      0400 741895 and [wendylangton58@outlook.com](mailto:wendylangton58@outlook.com)

Or - Yvonne Tunney      0747 459751

[gulfbarrarestocking@gmail.com](mailto:gulfbarrarestocking@gmail.com)

[www.karumba.qld.au/events](http://www.karumba.qld.au/events)

<https://www.facebook.com/barrarestockgulf>

### DISCLAIMER

*The organisers, sponsors and volunteers of the Karumba Community Anglers Classic 2019, being a fundraising event for the Gulf Barramundi Restocking Association, accept no responsibility for any loss, damage or injury sustained while participating in this event.*



## Department of Agriculture, Fisheries & Forestry Rules Apply

- Each individual is responsible for complying with official bag limits & size restrictions of species in the area. The information provided in these Rules and Guidelines is considered accurate and correct at the time of printing (15/9/19—NOTE additional UPDATED Regulations attached as of 1/9/19)
- Participants are to be aware undersize and unwanted fish are to be returned to the water as soon as possible with the aim being to minimize harming or injuring fish and marine life.
- Organisers wish to emphasise the importance of observing and carrying out the safe and humane handling of all fish caught. This **INCLUDES *catfish, sharks and other so called 'undesirable' species.*** **NOTE: Only those fish to be consumed by the angler are to be brought in for weigh in.**
- In addition it is important to use all care and responsibility towards the natural environment—no littering or polluting of Karumba and environs—both the marine and land environment—will be tolerated.

### **SIZE & LENGTH GUIDE—(PLEASE REFER NEW REGULATIONS as of 1/9/19)**

|                                   | <b>Min Length</b>           | <b>Max Length</b> | <b>Bag Limits (Note new</b> | <b>possession</b>    |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------|
| Barramundi                        | 58cm                        | 120cm             | 5                           | <u>limits as per</u> |
| King Salmon (Threadfin)           | 60cm                        | n/a               | 5                           | <u>additional</u>    |
| Blue Salmon                       | 40cm                        | n/a               | 20                          | <u>attachment)</u>   |
| Bream                             | 25cm                        | n/a               | 30                          |                      |
| Golden Snapper—Fingermark         | 35cm                        | n/a               | 5                           |                      |
| Black Jew Fish                    | 60cm                        | n/a               | 2                           |                      |
| Javelin—Barred Grunter            | 40cm                        | n/a               | 10                          |                      |
| Cod-Estuary (Gold Spotted)        | 38cm                        | 120cm             | 5                           |                      |
| Mangrove Jack                     | 35cm                        | n/a               | 5                           |                      |
| Jewel Fish - Scaly jewfish        | 45cm                        | n/a               | no limit                    |                      |
| Queen Fish                        | 50cm                        | n/a               | 5                           |                      |
| Mackerel—Spanish                  | 75cm                        | n/a               | 3                           |                      |
| Mackerel—Spotted                  | 60cm                        | n/a               | 5                           |                      |
| Mackerel—Grey                     | 60cm                        | n/a               | 5                           |                      |
| Mackerel—School                   | 50cm                        | 75cm              | 10                          |                      |
| Flathead—except dusky flathead    | 30cm                        | n/a               | 5                           |                      |
| King Fish Yellow                  | 60cm                        | n/a               | 2                           |                      |
| King Fish Black                   | 75cm                        | n/a               | 2                           |                      |
| Mullet—Diamond Scale & Sea Mullet | 30cm                        | n/a               | 20                          |                      |
| Mud Crabs—MALE ONLY               | Minimum width—15cm carapace |                   | 7                           |                      |
| Dusky Flathead                    | 40cm                        | 75cm              | 5                           |                      |

This event recognizes and supports responsible and sustainable recreational fishing, courtesy and safety on the water and care for the environment particularly focusing on the Gulf of Carpentaria.

**Proceeds from the event benefit the Gulf Barramundi Restocking Association directly supporting restocking of Gulf rivers and waterways.**

**PLEASE NOTE—NO THROAT CUTS PERMITTED FOR FISH BEING ENTERED**  
**SEE GUIDELINES**



## Event Information

- Nominations: Adult \$15/Junior \$8 (6 -15 yrs incl) and Junior \$3 (0-5yrs incl).
- Juniors 5yrs and younger may nominate and will be eligible to enter fish for the Junior Mystery Weight Category and will be eligible for Junior Early Bird and Nomination prizes.
- Nomination form must be fully completed, signed and lodged with payment of fee to be eligible for participation—at the time of lodging the nomination form an event ID will be issued which must be presented for each and every fish weighed in and to claim any nomination prizes.

## BOUNDARIES - Karumba and Environs

### DURATION

- The Karumba Community Anglers Classic commences on Friday 4th October, 2019 at 4pm and closes on Sunday 6th October, 2019 at 4pm
- The only official weigh in point will be the Karumba Recreation Club
- Weigh in times will be strictly adhered to. Fish to only be weighed in by person who caught the fish and providing the appropriate ID Card. Results of the event will be posted on the Facebook page and displayed on [www.karumba.qld.au](http://www.karumba.qld.au) website within 2 weeks of the events completion.
- Only fish of legal size and type (as set down by DAFF—details in this guide), **and to be consumed by the angler** following weigh in are to be brought back to the weigh in points.  
**CATCH & RELEASE BARRMUNDI—KING THREADFIN—GRUNTER—JUNIOR & SENIOR**
- **None of these species** are to be brought in for weigh in
- **YOUR EVENT ID CARD MUST** be photographed with the fish and the measuring mat increments being fully and clearly visible. Any photos not considered to meet the criteria will not be accepted—See example attached
- All photographic entries for the Catch and Release categories—SENIOR AND JUNIOR are to be provided to the Tournament Committee or Marshalls no later than 4pm on Sunday 6th October, 2019
- Where possible photographic entries for the Catch and Release Categories—SENIOR & JUNIOR are to be emailed to [gulfbarrarestocking@gmail.com](mailto:gulfbarrarestocking@gmail.com) **anytime during the events official hours of 4pm Friday 4th October 2019 to 4pm on Sunday 6th October**—where this is not possible then the photographs must be presented for determination and identification **by 4pm on Sunday 6th October 2019 at the weigh in—Karumba Recreation Club**

### ADDITIONAL

- All fish must be weighed in whole, fresh & undamaged
- **NO cutting of fish permitted, fish can be bled by gill cut only, NO throat cuts**
- **NO gaffs permitted, brain spike is the only method permitted to kill fish**
- Any indication or evidence of fraud will result in instant disqualification—with entry fee forfeited. Queensland Police and DAFF officers will be advised

### APPARATUS

- Fish to be taken by the use of hand-lines or rod/reel with bait or lure only
- NO GAFF's to be used at any time
- Landing nets are permitted to assist in landing the fish

### JUDGING

- Tournament Committee/Marshalls decision is FINAL

### HAZARDS

Boat and land based participants and spectators are advised the Karumba area is home to saltwater crocodiles, a variety of sharks and in the warmer months marine stingers. Special care should be taken at all times in relation to the shipping channel and waterways which carry numerous commercial and recreational vessels. It is important to make yourself aware of the tides and area maps with many areas of sand exposed and inaccessible during low tides. Be aware of shifting sand bars.

### CATEGORIES - CATCH & RELEASE Barramundi—Junior & Senior

- CATCH & RELEASE King Salmon—Junior & Senior
- CATCH & RELEASE Grunter—Junior & Senior
- Heaviest Blue Nose Salmon—Junior & Senior
- Heaviest Bream—Junior & Senior
- Heaviest other scale fish—EDIBLE
- Mystery Weight Mud Crab—Junior & Senior
- Mystery Weight—Junior 0—5 yrs incl—Junior 6—15yrs incl & Senior
- Early Bird Nomination Prizes—Junior 0—5 yrs incl—Junior 6—15yrs incl & Senior
- Nomination prizes—Junior 0—5 yrs incl—Junior 6—15yrs incl & Senior

# **BARRAMUNDI—KING THREADFIN (SALMON) - GRUNTER—CATCH & RELEASE**

## **Junior & Senior**

This event's main aim is to promote and enhance the substantial use of, and increased emphasis on:- good fish handling techniques and fishing methods to protect the future of recreational and commercial fishing in the area. This event further aims at increasing the numbers of key species being released to participate in future breeding, and to strive towards these fish being released in good condition with a very good chance of survival as recommended by the Department of Agriculture, Fisheries & Forestry. **This is particularly important given the timing around a species breeding season and recent years poor Gulf region wet seasons impacting across the Gulf marine environment and landscapes.**

**Appropriate fishing practices will help us achieve these objectives, including:**

- Promotion of the use of soft knotless landing nets to minimize physical damage to the landed fish.
- Use of wet hands or wet cloth when handling fish.
- Fisherpersons not placing their fingers inside the gill (which can cause damage).
- Ensuring you hold fish horizontally when measuring or taking photographs—ensuring not to compress the under belly area affecting likelihood of survival upon re-entry into the water.

**The Catch & Release component of the Karumba Community Anglers Classic 2019 is an honesty system.  
It is really in 'your' hands**

**Please take the time and help to maintain the survival of all fish in Catch & Release**

## **Rules**

- These species are for the catch and release competition only. All fish in these categories are to be released alive.
- **No gaffs, nets or other devices other than the use of hand-lines or rod/reel with bait or lure only** to be used to capture fish.
- Photographic evidence is required for each and every fish you wish to enter into the categories
- The photograph must be clear and include the entire fish, measuring mat or sticker from 0 to the length of the fish showing clearly the incremental measurements, and the event ID CARD with nomination # displayed clearly—if any one or more of these elements is not clear or included the photograph will not be accepted as an entry.
- NOTE: Should the taking of a photograph in any way impact on the safety, health and successful release of the fish then officials require the immediate release of the fish without a photograph—in the best interests of likely survival and the focus on a sustainable fishing future.

**Wherever possible photographic entries for the Catch and Release categories—SENIOR & JUNIOR are to be emailed to [gulfbarrarestocking@gmail.com](mailto:gulfbarrarestocking@gmail.com) anytime during the events official hours of 4pm Friday 4th October, 2019 to 4pm on Sunday 6th October 2019—where this is not possible then the photographs must be presented for determination and identification before/by 4pm Sunday 6th October 2019 at the weigh in—Karumba Recreation Club**

- Protests of any nature must be brought to the attention of the Tournament Committee or Marshalls on the day of the incident.
- **Purposely targeting under or oversize fish is illegal and will not be tolerated or accepted and can result in disqualification from the event and all categories.**
- All decisions made by the Tournament Committee or Marshalls concerning rules, prizes and trophies are final and no correspondence or discussion will be entered into.