



Australian Anglers Association
35th National Angling Championships and Convention
Thursday 21st June to Thursday 5th July 2018
HARRINGTON NSW



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NEWSLETTER No2 for 2017

Well it's about time another newsletter went out I hear you say. Yes things have been a bit slack here in that department and progress has been slow. One reason is that the Taree Council was sacked so our organising with them was put on hold for a while. We will hopefully have a new council in September this year along with a new Mayor for attending our official business along with our local state member Lesley Williams.

Now that things have settled a bit and an interim administrator council has been established a bit more confidence has emerged as you may see in the settled program.

The Club Harrington is now the Headquarters with the adjacent park the centre of fishing activities for the Beach/Rock and Estuary leaving just Crowdy as the start and finish for the offshore. A temp office will be established adjacent to park.

The casting ground is advertised at the Wingham Racecourse which is now not under control of the Council but the Taree race Club which we are still negotiating with. Other grounds are being checked for suitability and closeness if available and/or needed.

So what's happening:-

As NSW always holds their state championships the year prior to hosting AAA we are conducting that from 24th June to 1st July this year as a trial time and boundary event. Intending 2018 AAA competitors are most welcome to attend and check out the area and facilities as it will be conducted from the Club Harrington as the official headquarters for registrations, results and presentation night on the 30 June. The convention is advertised on the nswfca.com.au website and the Harrington 2018 AAA Convention will have all the details on there as well

Delegates for AAA have been advised that the AAA midterm meeting will be held Wed 21st June with a boundary tour taking place on Tuesday 20th June prior.

Attached is the latest program that will be presented for final approval at the midterm meeting with the social dates programmed in. That social program details will be released as time draws near but there will be a day tour/drop in centre, craft days, games days and the usual social evenings as well as the social activities that are normally active at Harrington for the general public.

Early rego will be encouraged with a prize draw. The cost is the usual \$65 full fee/\$60 early. \$35 non

fishing social with \$30 early ticket and \$25 Junior/\$20 early. That form will be distributed via a newsletter and on the website.

Also attached is our latest fishing bag and size limits that are current as to what you will be fishing to. Note that there are a number of species that you may have caught previously in NSW that are now halved with a bag limit of 10 and some with a limit of 1 or 2 with special minimal and max sizes.

Competitors will need to be briefed on the responsibility of competitors adhering to NSW State Government rules and regulations as well as the general rules to which competitors will have to agree and accept to be able to compete. This is for liability benefit and awareness of safety in our sport. There may even be a necessity for rock fishers to wear a some sort of lifejacket by the time the convention commences.

Here are information websites of interest, just highlight and open link in your browser. 1st 2 lines is the club info

<https://www.google.com/maps/@31.8715783,152.6833372,3a,75y,163.13h,89.79t/data=!3m6!1e1!3m4!1su16NoyTfEiFvt-5keTBJtO!2e0!7i13312!8i6656!6m1!1e1?hl=en-US>

<http://clubharrington.com.au/about-us/>

www.manningvalley.info

www.nswfca.com.au

www.dpi.nsw.gov.au

www.rms.nsw.gov.au

www.harringtonaccommodation.com.au

www.maps.com.au

SOCIAL PROGRAM POSSIBILITIES

Drop in Centre - (Harrington)

Art& Craft days Bingo

Games day

Library

Karaoke/music night

Wingham Export Beef tour

Great Lakes Winery

Forestry day tour

Ellenborough Falls

Cattai Wetlands

Harrington History Walk

Oyster tour/river cruise

Trivia Night

Social Program at a variety of venues will be confirmed by way of Newsletters

BOUNDARIES

Rock & Beach - Northern boundary is where the sand meets the outer wall of the Camden Haven River at Dunbogan

- Southern Boundary is where the southern end of Seven Mile beach meets the rocks.

Estuary - Western boundary will the downstream waters of the Manning River up to the Martin Bridge at Taree and Lansdowne River will be waters downstream of launching ramp at Coopernook Hotel

- Eastern seaward boundary may change according to entrance sand conditions but current boundary will be the southern-most point of sand spit on Harrington Seawall (if it remains) across to the northern point of unfinished (currently exposed) southern breakwall at Manning Point

Offshore Other than Public Charter Boats listed (special arrangements for fish bags will be made), all waters accessible (east of estuary boundary) from Crowdy Harbour Boat Ramp. A Safety discs applies to skippers of all offshore Boats - issued under a \$10 refundable deposit

Casting Wingham Racecourse - Comboyne Rd Wingham and is 45 minutes away

FISHING CHARTER BOATS – FORSTER: is 45mins -1hr away

On-Strike Charters
1 Palm St Tuncurry NSW 2428
0408480408
website www.on-strikecharters.com

Forster Fishing Charters
1 Cape St Forster NSW 2428
0409352871
www.forsterfishingcharters.com

Ocean Quest Fishing Charter
Forster Boat Harbour Forster NSW 2428
0427777139

Joy-C Deep Sea and Game Fishing Charters
Tuncurry NSW 2428
0419545499

CROWDY HEAD:-

Crowdy Bay Charters BH 02 65913467 AH 02 65561508 MOB 0428 655701
9 Leopold St Crowdy Head NSW 2427 - 6 Passengers max

LAURIETON – Camden Haven is 45 mins -1hr away

Reel Cravin' Fishing Charters
 46 The Boulevard, Dunbogan NSW 2443
 0474120207
 website: www.facebook.com/reelcravincharters

Canopus Deep Sea Charters
 The Parade, North Haven NSW 2443
 02 65855474
 website: www.fishingtripsportmacquarie.com

Camden Haven Cruises - 81 Longworth Rd Dunbogan NSW 2443 - 0416163749
 website: www.camdenhavencruises.co.au

PROGRAM FOR AAA AT HARRINGTON 2018
THURSDAY 21/06/18 -WEDNESDAY 04/07/18
 HEADQUARTERS CLUB HARRINGTON (Bowling Club)

Thurs 21st	H	2.04am	1.5m	Registration Day Headquarters 9am to 4pm
	L	8.41am	0.4m	
	H	3.10PM	1.4m	
	L	9.10pm	0.6m	
Fri 22 nd	H	3.09am	1.14m	Registrations -HQ 9am-12noon Civic Reception -Harrington Multipurpose Centre -11.30am Open & Old friends HQ 4pm
	L	9.34am	0.4m	
	H	4.08pm	1.5m	
	L	10.20pm	0.6m	
Sat 23 rd	H	4.12am	1.3m	ESTUARY Rnd 1 2-8pm Sign-out HQ 12.30pm Weigh-in 9.30pm HQ Manning River Only
	L	10.23am	0.4m	
	H	5.00pm	1.5m	
	L	11.23pm	0.5m	
Sun 24 th	H	5.11am	1.3m	BEACH & ROCK Rnd 1 2-8pm Sign-out HQ 12.30pm Weigh-in HQ 9.30pm
	L	11.09am	0.4m	
	H	5.45pm	1.6m	
Mon 25 th	L	12.17am	0.5m	AGM 10am 1 st LAY DAY Social Day
	H	6.04am	1.3m	
	L	11.50am	0.4m	
	H	6.27pm	1.7m	
Tues 26 th	L	1.03am	0.4m	OFF SHORE Rnd 1 7am-1pm Sign-out Crowdy 5.30am Charter to be arranged/fish truck Weigh-in 2.30pm Crowdy Head
	H	6.51am	1.2m	
	L	12.30pm	0.4m	
	H	7.16pm	1.7m	

Wed 27 th	L	1.45am	0.4m	OFF SHORE Rnd 2 7am-1pm Sign-in Crowdy 5.30am Charter to be arranged/fish truck Weigh-in 2.30pm Crowdy Head Social night
	H	7.35am	1.2m	
	L	1.09pm	0.4m	
	H	7.44pm	1.7m	
Thurs 28 th	L	2.25am	0.3m	2 nd LAY DAY Excursion M/Tea & Lunch Leave 9.30am Back 5pm
	H	8.17am	1.3m	
	L	1.49pm	0.5m	
	H	8.21pm	1.8m	

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Fri 29 th	L	3.04am	0.3m	ESTUARY Rnd 2 7am-1pm Sign-out HQ 5.30am Weigh-in HQ 2.30pm
	H	8.59am	1.3m	
	L	2.19pm	0.5m	
	H	8.59pm	1.8m	
Sat 30 th	L	3.04am	0.3m	ROCK & BEACH Rnd 2 6am-12am Sign-out HQ 4.30am Weigh-in HQ 1.3pm Queensland Night
	H	9.41am	1.3m	
	L	3.09pm	0.5m	
	H	9.36pm	1.7m	
Sun 1 st	L	4.21am	0.3m	3 rd LAY DAY Social Day if not needed for events to be organised
	H	10.23am	1.3m	
	L	3.51pm	0.6m	
	H	10.14pm	1.7m	
Mon 2 nd	L	5.00am	0.3m	CASTING (Individual) Wingham Racecourse
	H	11.06m	1.7m	
	L	4.34pm	0.6m	
	H	10.53pm	1.6m	
Tues 3 rd	L	5.04am	0.3m	CASTING (Teams) Wingham Racecourse NSW get together as well as each state
	H	11.51am	1.3m	
	L	5.20pm	0.7m	
	H	11.38pm	1.5m	
Wed 4 th	L	6.20am	0.4m	CON/MEETING 10am HQ PRESENTATION NIGHT 6pm HQ
	H	12.36pm	1.3m	
	L	6.11pm	0.7m	
Thurs 5 th	H	12.17am	1.5m	HOME

L 7.1am 0.4m
H 1.24pm 1.3m
L 7.08pm 0.7m

1. Add 1 hour & 40 minutes for slack water at the Gantry.
2. Add 2 hours to 2 hours & 10 minutes for slack water at the buoy.
3. Add at least 2 hours & 30 minutes for slack water at the road bridges.
4. This all refers to high tide slack water.

NSWFCA Saltwater Competition Size & Bag Limits. (As at 25/09/16)		
<i>Common Name</i>	<i>Length cm</i>	<i>Competition Daily Limit</i>
Australian Bass & Estuary Perch (Closed Season 1st June – 31st August)	25	In combination - 2 Only 1 over 35cm from Rivers or Streams
Australian Salmon	30	5
Billfish: Marlin – Black/Striped/Blue, Sailfish, Swordfish, Spearfish	30	1 of each
Bonito	30	10
Bream & Tarwhine: Black & Yellowfin	25	In combination 10 total
Cobia	30	5
Deep Sea Fish: Hapuka/Bar Cod/Bass Groper/Gemfish/Blue-eye Cod (Trevalla)	30	In combination 5 Max 2 Gemfish with Boat Trip Limit of 10
Dolphin Fish	60	10 – only 1 over 110cm
Flathead: Dusky	36	20 Combined of all Flathead Species - 10 Dusky with only 1 over 70cm and 10 in possession - 10 Other
Flathead: Eastern Blue-Spotted and Tiger	33	
Flathead: (all others)	33	
Flounder & Sole: (all)	25	In combination 20 total
Garfish: All (excluding beak)	25	In combination 20 total
Groper: Blue, Red/Brown	30	2 – Only 1 over 60cm
Hairtail	30	10
Kingfish: Yellowtail	65	5
Leatherjacket: (all)	25	20
Luderick	27	10
Mackerel: Spanish Spotted	75 60	In combination 5 total
Mangrove Jack	30	5
Morwong: Banded	30	5
Morwong: Rubberlip & Jackass	30	10
Morwong: Red	30	5
Moses Perch	30	5
Mullet, Sea	30	In combination 20 total
Mullet, (other than sea)	25	
Mulloway	70	2
Pearl Perch	35	5

Red Rock Cod	30	5
Rock Blackfish (Drummer)	30	10
Sampson & Amberjack	30	In combination 5 total
Snapper	30	10
Surgeon: Sawtail	30	5
Tailor	30	10
Teraglin	38	5
Trevally (all)	30	In combination 10 total
Tuna: Albacore, Big-eye, Longtail and Yellowfin	30	In combination 20 total with a maximum of 10 bonito. " Albacore, Big-eye, Longtail and Yellowfin - 2 over 90 cm & 5 under 90cm" 1 ONLY
Tuna: Bonito	30	
Tuna: (all others including Striped, Mackerel, Frigate etc)	30	
Tuna: SOUTHERN Bluefin	30	
<u>Wahoo</u>	30	5
Whiting, All	27	In combination 20 total
Combined Bag Limit of all other Species not listed above or in NSW Fisheries List	30	20 in total for Saltwater

∅ NOTE 1B – Possession/Round Limits for SALT WATER – this is equal to NSW Fisheries daily bag limit or as listed by Fisheries Regulations.

∅ NOTE 2 – When NSW Fisheries Regulations change, then if the NSW FCA Bag Limit is more than or the Legal Size is less than NSW Fisheries Regulations then that NSW Fisheries Regulation supersedes this Sheet.

∅ NOTE 3 - INELIGIBLE SPECIES:

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Blue Devil, Blue Fish, Eastern (Paraplesiops bleekeri), Boxfish (all), Cale, Rock (Crinodus lophodon), Catfish, Estuary (Cnidoglanis macrocephalus), Eels (all), Frogfish, Eastern (Batrachomoeus dubius), Groper, Queensland (Epinephelus lanceolatus), Kelpfish, Eastern (Chironemus marmoratus), Rays (all), Rockcod, Black (Epinephelus daemeli), Rockcod, Estuary (Epinephelus suillus), Sharks (all), Spinefoot, Black (Siganus fuscescens), Sunfish (all), Toadfish (all), Wirrah, Eastern (Acanthistius ocellatus), Wrasse, Elegant (Anampses elegans).

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