

# Shellharbour Game Fishing Club 2011 Tournament Wrap up

The Shellharbour Game Fishing Club has completed its 2011 tournament despite the very windy conditions. A poor weather forecast all week had entries well down on last year but 25 boats and 65 anglers chose to brave the conditions and give it a go.

Marlin were around the closer bait grounds and the First Tagged Marlin was claimed within 2 hours. Many more were hooked and lost in very choppy conditions so a total of only 3 were recorded over the weekend. There were no Marlin captured during the tournament.

8 Sharks in all were tagged over the weekend with a very commendable 3 of those by a lady angler, Rebecca Finney on Double D, who took out the Champion Female T & R trophy. Double D in fact tagged 5 sharks in all but it wasn't quite enough to outdo Sea Fox for Champion T & R boat. Sea Fox tagged 2 Marlin and 2 Dolphin fish to take out the major boat trophy.

Interesting to note here that the Clubs "1 fish, 3 trophy" rule came into effect with Sea Fox and their 1st tagged Marlin. With that fish contributing to 4 trophies the crew had to decide which trophy to forfeit. They chose to forego the First Tagged Marlin trophy which then in turn went to Paul Bayley on Outcast which was the 2nd Marlin tagged.

The only captured shark was a Whaler caught by Trent Killmore on Reckless weighing in at 87Kg. Being the only fish captured for the weekend meant Trent and Reckless collected a number of trophies including Champion Boat Capture, Champion Angler Capture and Heaviest Shark.

There were no Yellow Fin and very few Dollies around. A 12kg dolphin fish was weighed but subsequently disqualified with the leader being over length.

Junior T & R was taken out by Joshua Holtz tagging a Striped Tuna.

All in all, it was a good tournament under very testing conditions. Every Angler deserves credit for even venturing out. I think sea conditions may also be the reason numbers were down for the tournament dinner on Saturday night with quite a few still with upset stomachs.

Thanks to all boats and anglers that competed this year and we hope to see you all back in 2012.

Thanks of course go to our many and varied Sponsors. Please check our website for these businesses and use them as often as you can. Thanks too to the helpers that stayed on shore and helped out with the organisation of the tournament.

## *Winners are Grinners...*

	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>K &amp; R Fabrications Champion Boat Capture</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Reckless (4352 Points)</p>		<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Sunset Motors &amp; Marine Most T &amp; R Sharks</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Double D (5)</p>
	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Black Pete Marine Heaviest Shark</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Trent Killmore (87.0 Kg Whaler Shark)</p>		<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Wellsys Tackle Highest T &amp; R Points Other Game Fish</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">William Vaughan (60 Points)</p>
	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Solas Propellers Champion Male Angler (Capture)</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Trent Killmore (4352 Points)</p>		<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Goodger Fishing Champion T &amp; R Male Angler</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">William Vaughan (20060 Points)</p>
	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>K &amp; R Fabrications Champion Boat T &amp; R</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Sea Fox (20060 Points)</p>		<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Fishing Lady Champion T &amp; R Female Angler</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Rebecca Finney (7500 Points)</p>
	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Pure Fishing Most T &amp; R Marlin</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Sea Fox (2)</p>		<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Fishing World Champion T &amp; R Junior Angler</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Josh Holtz (12 Points)</p>
<p>(Photo not available)</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>K &amp; R Fabrications First Tagged Marlin</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Paul Bayley (Outcast)</p>			