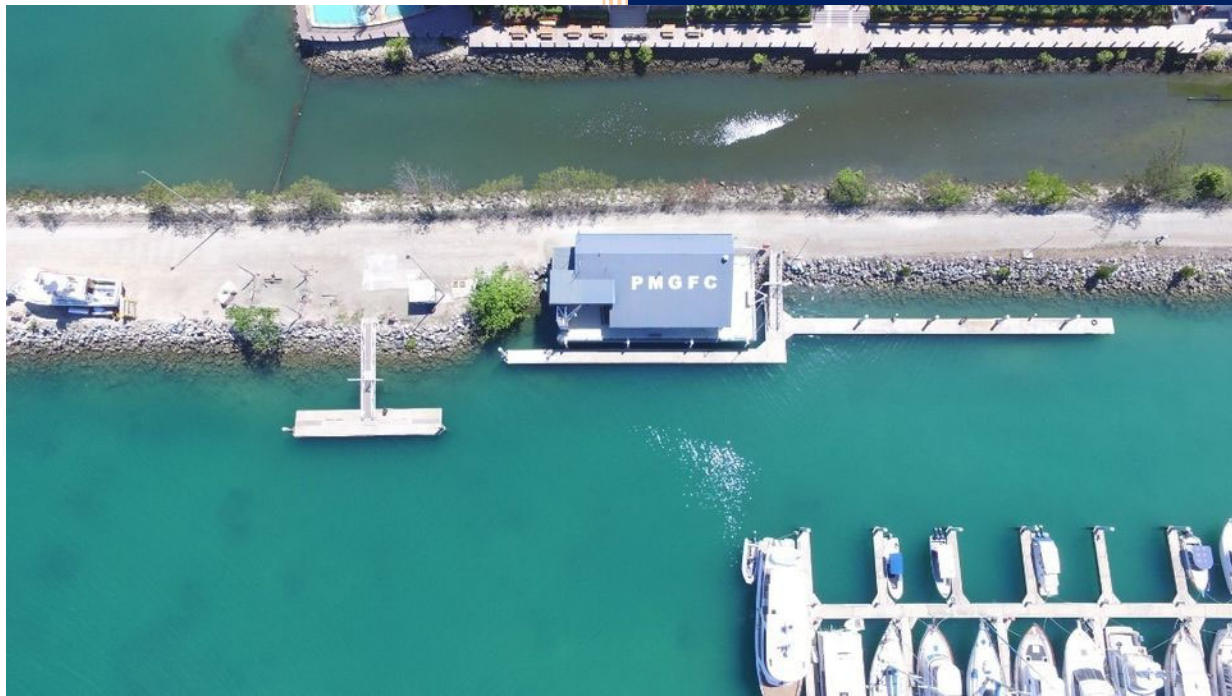




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# Port Moresby Game Fishing Club Constitution and By Laws



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## **PORT MORESBY GAME FISHING CLUB INCORPORATED CONSTITUTION**

### **1. NAME**

The name of the club shall be “Port Moresby Game Fishing Club Incorporated”. The short form shall be “P.M.G.F.C.”. Investment Promotion Authority (IPA) registration # 5-1066.

### **2. OBJECTIVES**

The objectives of the club shall be:-

- (a) To develop and foster the best traditions of sportsmanship for the advancement of saltwater game fishing.
- (b) To provide facilities for the accurate weighing and recording of members catches in Papua New Guinea and the forwarding of applications for National and World records claimed by members.
- (c) To accumulate reliable piscatorial information with a view to ascertaining the relation of same to the movements of game fish.
- (d) To award such certificates and trophies as may be allocated by the committee.
- (e) To affiliate with Game Fishing Association of Papua New Guinea and Society, Body or Club having similar objects or to join or co-operate with or subscribe to the funds of any such Society, Body or Club for the purposes of better attaining or otherwise furthering the objects and interests of the Club.
- (f) To purchase, transfer, sell, assign, mortgage, charge, lease, hire or exchange lands, boats, gear and/or any other property in any manner allowed by law.
- (g) To pay out of club funds all expenses of, and, incidental to the management of the club and the carrying out of its objectives including the payments of salaries to persons employed.
- (h) To promote social activities amongst the members.
- (i) To do all such lawful acts and things as are incidental or conducive to the carrying out of club aims and objectives.
- (j) The association will apply it's profits (If any) or other income in promoting it's objectives; and
- (k) The Association will prohibit the payment of any dividend or payment in the Nature of a dividend to it's members.



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## 3. MEMBERSHIP

(l) The club shall consist of the following classes of membership:-

1. Life Member
2. Full Membership
3. Country Member
4. Junior Member
5. Guest Member
6. Honorary Member
7. Provisional Member

- (a) The membership numbers shall be fixed from time to time by the committee at its discretion.
- (b) All bonafide game anglers and persons interested in game fishing shall be eligible for membership.

## 4. PROPOSAL FOR MEMBERSHIP

- (a) Every candidate for full membership or country membership shall be nominated and seconded by Full or Country Members to whom he/she is personally known.
- (b) Every nomination for Full, Country and Junior Membership shall be on the printed nomination form.
- (c) Every nomination shall give the full Name and address and the occupation of the nominee and any further information which the Committee may from time to time prescribe or in any particular case require.
- (d) Every Country Member shall be nominated by at least one Full or Country Member to whom he/she is personally known.
- (e) Every nomination shall be accompanied by the entrance fee (if applicable) and subscription.
- (f) All financial members of other clubs affiliated to the Game Fishing Association of Papua New Guinea or any other club affiliated with I.G.F.A. shall be guest members of the club without charge on any occasion they fish with the club subject to clause 13 e).

## 5. RECORD OF APPLICATION

The Secretary shall maintain records of all application for membership, the dates such applications are considered by the Committee and the Committee's decision. Such records shall be open for inspection by club members.



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## 6. ELECTION OF MEMBERS

- (a) Every application of membership shall be submitted to the committee at its next meeting following the receipt of such application by the Secretary.
- (b) A candidate shall be elected if not more than two (2) Committee members present oppose such election.
- (c) No re-application shall be given consideration until the expiration of six (6) months from the previous application, other than for a lapsed member.

## 7. NOTICE OF ELECTION

The Secretary shall upon election of each new member send written notice thereof together with a copy of the Club Constitution and By-laws to such member.

## 8. LIST OF MEMBERS

The Club shall maintain a list of names and addresses of all members and the dates of payment of annual subscriptions.

## 9. LIFE MEMBERS

- (a) The Committee may recommend to the Annual General Meeting that a member who has rendered special or extraordinary service to the Club be appointed a Life Member.
- (b) A candidate for life membership shall be elected by a majority of three quarters of the members present at such Annual General meeting.
- (c) Life members shall be entitled to all the privileges of Full Membership but not be required to pay a membership fee.

## 10. HONORARY MEMBERS

- (a) Honorary members shall be any person not otherwise a club member appointed to honorary membership by the President and any two (2) Committee members and whose name is thereupon entered on the register of Honorary Members.
- (b) Honorary membership shall continue for a period to be determined by the committee and such Honorary membership may be cancelled at any time.
- (c) Honorary members shall be entitled to all the privileges of Full Members except he/she shall not be eligible for office or have voting rights at meetings or be eligible for annual trophies nor shall he/she have any claim on the assets of the club.  
Persons eligible for honorary membership shall be persons who in the opinion of the Committee are able to further the aims and objects of the club whilst not necessarily being anglers.



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## 11. COUNTRY MEMBERS

- (a) Persons resident outside a radius of eighty (80) kilometres from the city of Port Moresby shall be eligible for Country membership.
- (b) Each country member shall be entitled to all the privileges of Full Members.

## 12. JUNIOR MEMBERS

- (a) Any person under the age of fifteen (15) years at the beginning of the Club's financial year who is elected to membership of the Club in accordance with the rules applicable to Full Members shall be entitled to be a Junior Member during that year and succeeding years until he/she attains the age of Fifteen (15) years.
- (b) A Junior Member shall be entitled to all the privileges of the Full Membership except the right to vote.
- (c) On attaining the age of 15 years a Junior Member shall be transferred to the Register of Full or Country membership at the commencement of the subsequent season/year.

## 13. GUEST MEMBERS

- (a) Any financial member of the club may extend the use of club facilities to a guest or guests for the duration of any game-fishing trip. Such guests shall have the right to use the facilities provided for the weighing of fish and have their catch recorded on the club's books, subject to Registration and the payment of the Guest Membership Fee prior to capture, but shall not enjoy any of the other rights and privileges of membership.
- (b) Except as provided for in clause 4(f) the registration Form and Guest Membership Fee must be provided to the Treasurer or available Executive member before the commencement of any Game Fishing trip by a guest member.
- (c) In the case of Guest Members eligible under clause 4(f), the Registration Form must be provided to the Treasurer or available Executive member before the commencement of any Game Fishing trip by the guest member.
- (d) Guest members will be entitled to accompany a Financial Member on three (3) game fishing outings during a season as will be evidenced by the recording of captures against the Guest Angler's name on three (3) separate dates.
- (e) Guest Members shall not be eligible for annual awards or trophies.
- (f) Guest members shall be eligible for any tournament awards or trophies and the points scored by that guest in any of the 3 eligible outings will count towards annual boat points for trophies and awards.
- (g) Guest Members are eligible to claim Club and National Records for captures made during an eligible outing.



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## 14. PROVISIONAL MEMBER

- (a) A Provisional Member will have all the rights and privileges of a Full Member with the exception of voting rights during the period of provisional membership.
- (b) Where upon ratification and acceptance of a Provisional Member as either a Full, Country or Junior member in accordance with Clause 6 all points accumulated by the angler during the period of their provisional membership will be included in the annual totals and aggregates for the member and the registered boats used.
- (c) Where a Provisional Member has an application for Full, Country, or Junior membership rejected in accordance with Clause 6 all points registered by the angler during the period of their provisional membership will be eliminated from the records however boat points will be accrued for the registered boats used.

## 15. MEMBERS IN ARREARS

- (a) Any Member who is in arrears for more than one (1) month in the payment of his/her subscription shall be considered to have relinquished his/her membership of the Club.
- (b) Persons so deemed may re-apply for membership and such application shall be dealt with as a new member's application except as provided for in Clause (6) (c).
- (c) Only financial Full Members and Life Members may vote at an Annual General Meeting.

## 16. RETIREMENT OF MEMBERS

- (a) A member may retire from membership at any time by giving notice in writing to the Secretary.
- (b) A member so retiring without having paid the current years subscription shall be liable for same.
- (c) Upon retirement a Member shall forfeit all rights in and claims upon the club and its property.

## 17. EXPULSION OF MEMBERS

- (a) Every member on joining the club undertakes to comply with the Constitution and By-Laws of the club and any refusal or neglect to do so or any conduct which could in the opinion of the Committee be likely to bring discredit to the Club, the sport of game fishing or to members of the Club, shall render such member liable to expulsion.
- (b) Notice in writing shall be given at least one (1) week prior to a Committee meeting at which an expulsion resolution shall be raised, to such a member, to allow such a member to appear at the meeting to raise a defense or submit a case in writing.
- (c) Notice of the Committee's resolution expelling a member pursuant to this rule shall be sent to such a person. Notice under this rule shall be held to have been duly given if sent prepaid post to the address of the member appearing in the Club's books.
- (d) A member expelled under this rule shall forfeit all rights in and claims upon the club and its property.



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## 18. SUBSCRIPTIONS

- (a) Subscriptions and fees shall be determined by the Committee in accordance with the By-Laws.
- (b) Changes to either the amount or structure of fees and subscriptions must be notified to the membership at least one (1) Month prior to such changes taking effect.
- (c) Membership fees for Full, Family and Junior membership can only be changed at the commencement of each calendar year.
- (d) A Family Membership subscription shall cover all members of a family unit but be limited to covering two (2) Full Members plus the remaining family members eligible as juniors. Members covered under a Family Membership subscription shall be entitled to all privileges of full membership except as provided for in Clause 12.

## 19. COMMITTEE

- (a) The Committee shall consist of a President, Secretary, Treasurer, Tournament Director and RPYC Representative, the immediate Past President and up to eight (8) Members.
- (b) The Club Officers shall be the President, Secretary, Treasurer, Tournament Director and RPYC Representative. The committee may at its discretion appoint one Committee Member to carry out the duties of a Secretary and Treasurer.

## 20. DUTIES OF PRESIDENT

The President shall act as Chairman at all meetings excepting on his/her absence a Chairman may be appointed from office bearers, committee or any other member.

## 21. DUTIES OF SECRETARY

The Secretary shall conduct all correspondence, convene meetings in accordance with the Constitution, maintain the Members Register, maintain minutes of all meetings and such other duties as directed by the Committee.

## 22. DUTIES OF TREASURER

To maintain club accounts and prepare club accounts for audit at the end of the financial year.  
To issue receipts for all monies received and such other duties as directed by Committee.  
To maintain and administer bank accounts and other investment accounts as directed by the Committee in accordance with the constitution.

## 23. DUTIES OF TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR

To plan the Year's Tournament Calendar and administer the regular competitions including obtaining sponsors and arranging briefing nights and functions.



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## 24. DUTIES OF R.P.Y.C. REPRESENTATIVE

To represent the PMGFC at all RPYC Committee Meetings and Functions and to present all fishing club interests to same and report to PMGFC meetings any business arising.

## 25. DUTIES OF COMMITTEE

- (a) The Committee shall manage the affairs of the Club in accordance with the Constitution and By-Laws and shall define the various duties of the several officers as may become necessary, and who shall in all respects be subject to the control of the Committee.
- (b) The Committee may appoint sub-committees for specific purposes, or a committee member to be responsible for specific tasks related to the management of the Club. Sub-Committees shall report to the main Committee.
- (c) The Committee shall have power to decide all disputes within the Club.
- (d) The Committee shall have power to make By-Laws in accordance with Clause 38.

## 26. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

- (a) The Club Officers and Committee shall be elected at the Annual General Meeting and shall hold office for the ensuing year or until such time as the next Annual General Meeting shall be held.
- (b) The Officers and Committee shall retire immediately prior to the election of Officers and Committee at the Annual General Meeting but shall be eligible for re-election.
- (c) Nomination for officers and committee shall be submitted in writing to the Secretary on the Club Nomination form not later than 48 hours prior to the Annual General Meeting. The nomination shall be correctly endorsed by the proposer, seconder and nominee. Nominations not correctly endorsed shall be null and void. Nominations shall be advised on the agenda for the Annual General Meeting.
- (d) Nominations from the floor will be accepted where insufficient nominations have not been received in accordance with Clause 26 (c).

## 27. IMMEDIATE PAST PRESIDENT

The immediate past President shall be an ex-officio member of the newly elected Committee, so long as he remains a resident of Papua New Guinea.

## 28. VACANCY AMONG OFFICERS

In the case of any casual vacancy in the office of President, Secretary, Treasurer, Tournament Director, RPYC Representative or Committee Member, the Committee may appoint one of themselves or some other member to fill such vacancy until the next Annual General Meeting.



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## 29. ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

- (a) The Annual General Meeting shall be held in such place as is nominated by the Executive Committee as soon as possible after the end of June in each year.
- (b) The Secretary shall advise members by post or Electronic Media one month prior to the date of the Annual General Meeting and invite nominations for the appointment of officers and committee members.
- (c) At such meeting the following business shall be conducted:-
  - 1. President's Report
  - 2. Treasurer's Report and acceptance of Audited Financial Statements.
  - 3. Election of President
  - 4. Election of Secretary
  - 5. Election of Treasurer
  - 6. Election of Tournament Director
  - 7. Election of R.P.Y.C. Representative
  - 8. Election of up to eight (8) Committee Members.
  - 9. Election of an Auditor
  - 10. Any other business of which notice shall have been given in writing to the Secretary at least 48 hours preceding such meeting.
  - 11. Any other business brought forward from the minutes of the previous general meeting.

## 30. EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING

- (a) The Committee may at any time and shall on the requisition of ten (10) financial members convene an extraordinary general meeting.
- (b) Such requisition shall be in writing and signed by ten (10) financial members of the Club and shall state the specific purpose of such meeting and shall be addressed to the Secretary.
- (c) The Committee shall convene such meeting within one (1) Month from the time of receipt of such requisition by the Secretary.
- (d) Members shall be given notice of an extra-ordinary general meeting stating the business appearing on the agenda, by post or Electronic Media, to the address listed in the members register, fourteen (14) days before the date of such meeting.
- (e) No business of a formal nature shall be brought forward at any extra-ordinary general meeting other than that which is on the notice paper.

## 31. PROCEDURE AT GENERAL MEETINGS

- (a) At all general meetings the chair shall be taken by the President, in his/her absence an Office Bearer, Member of the Committee or some member chosen by the meeting. Every question shall be decided by a majority of votes. Every financial member shall have one vote and in the case of equality of votes the chairman shall have a second or casting vote.
- (b) The quorum at a general meeting shall be 20% of the total number of financial members of the Club. In reckoning a quorum members present in person and members who have voted in accordance with the following sub-clause shall be counted.
- (c) Voting shall be by a show of hands unless any member requests a secret ballot.



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## 32. COMMITTEE MEETINGS

- (a) Committee meetings will normally be held at least monthly.
- (b) Additional meetings of the Committee may be convened by any officer or any two (2) committee members not being officers.
- (c) Notice of all committee meetings must be given to committee members at least 24 hours prior to the meeting being held where possible.
- (d) If votes be equal then the Chairman shall have two (2) votes.
- (e) Any member of the Committee who absents himself/herself from two (2) meetings consecutively without excuse, apology or permission shall automatically be deemed to have vacated his/her office on the Committee.

## 33. CLUB FUNDS

- (a) The Club funds shall be kept by the Treasurer under the supervision of and in such place and manner as shall be directed by the Committee.
- (b) Subject to Clause 33 c) the Committee shall have power to expend the Club funds in such manner, as they think fit in accordance with the constitution and objectives of the Club.
- (c) Except as approved otherwise at an AGM or EGM, expenditure and capital expense items in any one year must not exceed the sum total of;
  - i) Income receipts for the same period plus
  - ii) That proportion of the operating surplus generated from the prior year as notified to and approved at the preceding AGM.
- (d) The operating surplus referred to in 33 c) shall be calculated using accrual based accounting procedures, (ie expenditure committed during year X but not physically spent in that year must be included in the calculation of operating surplus for year X).

## 34. CLUB ACCOUNTS

- (a) The Club accounts shall be made up to the first day of July in each year.
- (b) The Committee each year shall cause to be prepared Audited Financial Statements including Profit and Loss Statement, Cash Flow Statement and Balance Sheet made up to the last day of June. The Audited Financial Statements shall be prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles and any relevant legislation.
- (c) The Audited Financial Statements shall be submitted to the Members at the next Annual General meeting for acceptance. A copy shall be made available to each member prior to commencement of the AGM .
- (d) The Club Bank account may be operated on at the direction of the Committee by the Treasurer, President or Secretary. Two (2) signatories shall be required on all cheques or online transfers.



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## 35. AUDITORS

At the Annual General Meeting one (1) auditor shall be appointed as Auditor who shall examine the Club accounts and be required to issue an Audit Opinion on the Audited Financial Statements for the new financial year.

## 36. TRUSTEES

All Club property shall be vested in the officers for the time being as trustees for the Club.

## 37. AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION

- (a) The Committee may alter in whole or in part the Club Constitution provided that all members are advised by post or Electronic Media of such alteration. One (1) month shall be allowed for objections to be lodged. If no such objections are received the alteration shall be carried by the Committee resolution.
- (b) Objections must be in writing and sent to the Secretary and must state the exact nature of the objection.
- (c) If any objection is received the Committee shall convene an Extraordinary General Meeting under the Constitution.

## 38. BY-LAWS

The Committee may from time to time make or repeal such by-laws as it considers necessary for the proper management and conduct of the Club.

## 39. PAYMENT OF FEES

- (a) All subscriptions shall be due and payable on the first day of July each year.
- (b) Any member elected on one (1) month prior to the end of the financial year shall be deemed to have paid his/her subscription for the ensuing financial year.

## 40. FISHING RULES

The rules shall be the rules of the International Game Fishing Association and the rules of this Club including all By-laws in force.

## 41. APPOINTMENT OF WEIGHMASTERS

The Committee may appoint at its discretion such weigh masters at Port Moresby or within P.M.G.F.C. waters, as it considers necessary.



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## 42. MEMBERS ADDRESSES

Members shall advise the Secretary in writing of any change of address. All notices required by the Constitution shall be deemed to have been sent if addressed in accordance with that recorded in the Members' Register at the time of posting.

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## BY LAWS

**AMENDED JUNE 2018**

### **1. FISHING PROGRAM**

Each Committee shall publish a program for the new season within 1 month of its election together with a list of Trophies for the season.

N.B. Perpetual trophies will be presented in accordance with conditions advised by the donors.

### **2. CAPTURE FLAGS**

The use of Capture flags is encouraged and I.G.F.A. Standard flags to be used.

### **3. REGISTERING CATCHES AND COMPETITIONS**

- (a) Only fish captured from club registered boats fishing in club waters will be accepted for weighing for Aggregate Points or Champion points, excepting where a Club member or a Club registered Boat fishes in a GFAPNG National Titles at a location other than Port Moresby, as described in By Law 4.
- (b) Boats fishing in Club Tournaments must depart RPYC Marina and return to RPYC Marina that night unless a prior dispensation has been sought from and granted by the Tournament Director.
- (c) Fish entered for point score or recording with another Club in any way whatsoever, shall not be entered in the P.M.G.F.C. records by Members of any class. The claiming of National and International records and certificates is not a breach of this rule.
- (d) No points will be credited to any angler or boat not financially registered with the Club at the time of catch (i.e. you must have paid the years due prior to fishing).
- (e) P.M.G.F.C. fishing waters are all waters within the nautical bounds of 145.40E – 147.45E and 8.40S – 10.20S.
- (f) The Committee's decision shall be final on all claims.
- (g) Junior Members are restricted to tackle classes up to and including 15kg to the extent that captures made by Junior Members on tackle classes in excess of 15kg will not register for points in either the Senior or Junior categories, nor will any points accrue toward Boat Trophies. A junior may however claim a senior Club Record for captures made on tackle classes in excess of 15kg.
- (h) Line Class records must be claimed on the appropriate claim form, and the species identified to the Weigh master's satisfaction (use club's freezer if necessary).



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- (i) All National and International Records must be claimed by the angler by;
  1. Notation of the words “National Record Claim” or “IGFA Record” claim in the margin adjacent to the record of capture in the Capture Book or in the space provided in the Boat Capture Book.
  2. Completion of GFA of PNG & IGFA Record Claim forms as appropriate, and all verifications as required by such form.

## 4. YEARLY COMPETITIONS

- (a) Any member may fish from 1<sup>st</sup> July to 30<sup>th</sup> June inclusive, 24 hours a day. Subject to By Law 11 (Closed Days), all captures made during this period will be eligible for entry into the capture books, and, *subject to By Laws 11 and 21*, accumulate points toward relevant annual trophy categories.
- (b) GFAPNG NATIONAL TITLES HELD IN PORT MORESBY WATERS
  1. Any GFAPNG National Titles held in Port Moresby waters are to become part of the Club’s official calendar for the year, as described in By law 1. Any Marlin or Billfish “Shoot-out” is not included.
  2. Any member accruing points while fishing in such tournament is entitled to accrue points in both champion and aggregate categories of the club events. This is to be applicable only to the two fishing days allotted to each angler.
  3. Any Club Registered Boat accruing points while fishing in such tournament is entitled to accrue points in both the Aggregate and Champion categories of the Club events, providing the angler concerned is a member or a paid guest of the Port Moresby Game Fishing Club. This is applicable to all of the days fished in the event but does not include any Marlin/Billfish Shoot-Out
  4. Any Individual or Boat points scored at a Marlin or Billfish “Shoot-Out” held in conjunction with the Titles, will be allowed to accrue such points in the Aggregate but not the Champion aspect of Club events as defined in By Law 21, providing that the angler concerned is a member or a paid guest of the Port Moresby Game Fishing Club.
- (c) GFAPNG NATIONAL TITLES HELD IN OTHER CLUB WATERS
  1. Any member who fishes the GFAPNG National Titles in a location other than Port Moresby is is entitled to accrue points scored in such event towards the “Individual Aggregate” aspects of Club Competitions”, as defined in By Law 21.
  2. Any Club Registered Boat that fishes the GFAPNG National Titles in a location other than Port Moresby is is entitled to accrue all points scored in such events towards the “Aggregate Boat” aspects of the Club Competition, but not the Champion events, as defined in By Law 21, providing the angler concerned is a member of the Port Moresby Game Fishing Club.



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## 5. TAG and RELEASE

- a) Any of the Marlin Species or Broadbill Swordfish, regardless of weight, tagged and released in accordance with Club tagging procedure, shall be awarded annual trophy points (champion and aggregate) equivalent to a weighed fish of 80 kgs.
- b) Any Sailfish regardless of weight, tagged and released in accordance with Club tagging procedure, shall be awarded annual trophy points (champion and aggregate) equivalent to a weighed fish of 28 kgs.
- c) In either case outlined in 5 a) & b) the points so awarded will count towards overall yearly points for the Angler and for the Boat as if landing had taken place.
- d) All tagging will be scored in a separate tagging category for an Angler's and/or Boats yearly competition and aggregate points.

## 6. POINT SCORING – TAG and RELEASE

Refer Appendix A

## 7. TAG and RELEASE PROCEDURE

- a) To count as a tagged and released fish the leader must be taken in hand and the fish tagged and released in accordance with GFA PNG rules.
- b) All fish deemed to be dead or injured sufficiently to cause death must be boated and brought to the gantry and treated as a weighed fish. Points will be awarded for the fish provided that minimum weight restrictions have been satisfied.

## 8. WEIGHT OF ELIGIBLE CAPTURES

- a) All fish brought to scale shall be viewed and weighed by a weigh master. The name of the weigh master shall be noted in the record book.
- b) The weigh master shall weigh and record all fish presented for weighing for recording purposes.
- c) Any fish weighing any less than 50% of the breaking strain of the line class used for the capture of such fish shall not accumulate annual club points nor be considered for club tournaments. The Committee may waive this by-law for tournaments, at its discretion.
- d) The weigh master may view all tackle trace and terminal gear used in the capture, under I.G.F.A. and Club rules.
- e) It is the responsibility of the weigh master to ensure that scales are used in the correct manner with the scale registering 0.00 kg after the addition of trays, tail ropes or any other such devices used to attach the fish to the scale.

## 9. ACCURACY OF CLUB SCALES

The Committee shall ensure that the club scales are tested for accuracy every twelve (12) months in accordance with I.G.F.A. requirements.



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## 10. APPOINTMENT OF WEIGH MASTERS

All Committee Members are appointed weigh masters in accordance with Clause 41 of the Constitution. For fish which are **not records**, any club member or other person of good repute may act as weigh master.

## 11. CLOSED DAYS

**A closed day will be deemed as per the Club's advertised fishing Tournament calendar.**

Only anglers or boats nominated or registered for the competition will score points for that day and count towards club Champion and Aggregate trophy categories.

A closed day will be for a full 24 hours duration unless it is a 2 day competition (e.g. Yellow Fin Comp) then 48 hours. Any angler/boat not fishing in the "Closed Day" comp will not score points with any captures made on that closed day toward any club trophy.

This rule does not affect Club, National or World Record claims.

## 12. FINANCIAL YEAR

The Club's Financial Year ends June 30<sup>th</sup> with the AGM held sometime after this date.

## 13. MEMBERSHIP R.P.Y.C.

Membership of the R.P.Y.C. is obligatory for membership of P.M.G.F.C.

## 14. ELIGIBLE POINTS SPECIES

*Species for which P.M.G.F.C. will award annual points are;*

*All Tunas  
All Sharks  
Barracuda  
Cobia  
Tripletail  
Rainbow Runner*

*All Trevallies  
All Mackerels  
Wahoo  
Queenfish  
Mahi Mahi*



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## 15. LINE CLASS RECORDS

Species for which we maintain Club line records are below. The Committee may open another class of record at any time to accommodate a species not included in By-law 15 for which there is no current record.

Club Name	Scientific Name	Other Names
Tuna Bigeye	<i>Thunnus Obesus</i>	-----
Tuna Bluefin	<i>Thunnus Orientalis</i>	Giant Bluefin Tuna
Tuna Longtail	<i>Thunnus tonggol</i>	Northern Bluefin Tuna Bluefin Tuna
Tuna Yellowfin	<i>Thunnus albacares</i>	-----
Tuna Dogtooth	<i>Gymnosarda unicolour</i>	-----
Tuna Skipjack	<i>Katsuwonus pelamis</i>	Striped Tuna, Stripey
Tuna Mackerel	<i>Euthynnus all. Affinis</i>	Kawa Kawa, Bonito
Trevally Bluefin	<i>Caranx melampygus</i>	Trevally Bigeye
	<i>Craranx sexfaciatus</i>	Turrum, Giant Trevally
Trevally Giant	<i>Caranx ignoblis</i>	Turrum
Trevally Gold Spotted	<i>Caranx fullvogattatus</i>	Turrum
Marlin Black	<i>Makaira indica</i>	-----
Marlin Pacific Blue	<i>Makaira mazara</i>	Blue Marlin
Marlin Striped	<i>Tetrapturus audax</i>	Stripey
Sailfish Pacific	<i>Istiophorus playpterus</i>	Sailfish
Shark Hammerhead	<i>Sphyrna spp</i>	-----
Shark Mako	<i>Isurus spp</i>	-----
Shark Tiger	<i>Galeocerdo cuvieri</i>	-----
Shark Whaler	<i>Carcharhinus spp</i>	Mackerel Narrow
Barred	<i>Scomberomorus commerson</i>	Spanish Mackerel, Tanguigui
Mackerel Scaley	<i>Grammatorcynus bicarinatus</i>	Largescale Tuna Shark Mackerel Scad Mackerel
Mackerel Spotted	<i>Scomberomorus spp</i>	
Barracuda	<i>Sphyaena barracuda</i>	Great Barracuda, Giant Pike
Wahoo	<i>Acanthocybium solandri</i>	-----
Cobia	<i>Rachycentron canadum</i>	Black Kingfish
Queenfish	<i>Scomberoides lysan</i>	-----
	<i>&amp; commersonnianus</i>	
Mahi Mahi	<i>Coryphaena hippurus</i>	Golden Dolphin Dolphin Fish

- Notes:
1. *Caranx fullvogattatus* (Gold Spotted Trevally) is the current accepted scientific name for *Carangoides emburi* or Turrum (Dr Julian Pepperell)
  2. After due consideration, *G. Bicarinated* is to be commonly called a Scaley Mackerel rather than a Large Scale Tuna.



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## 16. CLUB FISH POINT SCORING

- a) All fish and sharks must weigh half of line class to qualify for capture points
- b) Fish Factor

Billfish 150 points  
 Sharks 50  
 All other Game Fish 100  
 Capture Points:-

Billfish Weight (Kg) x  
150 Line Class

Sharks Weight x  
50 Line Class

All other Game Fish x  
100 Line Class

## 17. COMPETITION REGISTRATION

Registration and any appropriate fee shall be received on or before 2000 hrs on the designated briefing night at the Gantry, or other place nominated for the briefing. Registrations must include the number of nominated anglers. Names of anglers must be confirmed prior to leaving the Marina on the competition day.

## 18. GILLED AND GUTTED FISH

Any game fish presented for weighing in a gilled and gutted state shall have 10% added to the scale weight. Please ensure both weights are recorded in the book to avoid confusion. This fish shall be cleanly cut – any unusual damage may be treated by the weigh master as having occurred prior to the fish being landed and the fish therefore disqualified. Gilled and gutted fish will be accepted as record claims at their net weight (i.e. NO 10% added). They are also acceptable for National and World record claims.

## 19. TRANSFER OF BOAT OWNERSHIP

Boat points are not transferable to another boat or to a new owner.

## 20. MEMBERSHIP FEES

- a) An annual subscription shall be payable in advance on the First day of July each year.
- b) The Membership fees shall be as follows:-

	1 Year New	1 Year Renewal
Full Member	K100.00	K90.00
Family Member	K170.00	K160.00
Country Member	K50.00	K40.00
Junior Member	K15.00	K10.00
Life Member	Nil	Nil
Boat Registration	K100.00	K90.00



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## 21. ANNUAL TROPHY POINT SCORING

- (b) CHAMPION TROPHIES. Points scored during competitions held on Closed Days as defined in By Laws 11 and 4 will accumulate towards Champion trophies.

Any fish captured or tagged during a Competition will gain points even though it may not be eligible for that day's Competition. All fish and tags must be weighed or returned within that day's Competition hours. Any fish or tag returned late will be eligible for aggregate points only.

- (c) AGGREGATE TROPHIES. Points scored on any day of the year will accumulate towards aggregate trophies excepting where an angler or boat is not registered in a Closed day Competition as defined By Law 11.

Points scored in Closed day Competitions will accumulate towards both Champion and Aggregate trophies.

## 22. ANNUAL TROPHY CATEGORIES

### P.M.G.F.C. CHAMPION BOAT AND CHAMPION ANGLER TROPHIES

Points toward these end of year trophies will only be accumulated on days designated as P.M.G.F.C. Official Competition Days.

CHAMPION BOAT	All Tackle
CHAMPION BOAT	Heavy Tackle
CHAMPION BOAT	Medium Tackle
CHAMPION BOAT	Light Tackle
CHAMPION BOAT	Ultra Light Tackle
CHAMPION BOAT	Tag & Release
CHAMPION ANGLER	Overall
CHAMPION ANGLER	Heavy Tackle
CHAMPION ANGLER	Medium Tackle
CHAMPION ANGLER	Light Tackle
CHAMPION ANGLER	Ultra Light Tackle
CHAMPION ANGLER	Junior Angler All Tackle Classes
CHAMPION ANGLER	Tag & Release

### P.M.G.F.C. HPS AGGREGATE BOAT AND AGGREGATE ANGLER TROPHIES

Points toward these end of year trophies will be accumulated on all days of the fishing year except in accordance with By Law 11.

HPS BOAT AGGREGATE	(Capture)
HPS BOAT AGGREGATE	(Tap & Release)
HPS ANGLER AGGREGATE	(Capture)
HPS ANGLER AGGREGATE	(Tag & Release)
HPS JUNIOR ANGLER AGGREGATE	(Capture)
HPS JUNOR ANGLER AGGREGATE	(Tag & Release)



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## **P.M.G.F.C. HEAVIEST AND HPS FISH TROPHIES**

Captures eligible for these trophies will be those occurring on all days of the fishing year except in accordance with By Law 11.

HEAVIEST MARLIN  
HEAVIEST SAILFISH  
HEAVIEST SHARK  
HEAVIEST YELLOWFIN  
TUNA HEAVIEST OTHER  
GAMEFISH HPS MARLIN  
HPS SAILFISH  
HPS SHARK  
HPS YELLOWFIN TUNA  
HPS OTHER GAMEFISH

## **P.M.G.F.C. PERPETUAL TROPHIES**

Captures eligible for these trophies will be those occurring on all days of the fishing year except in accordance with By Law 11.

1. BOAT WITH MOST BILLFISH
2. HEAVIEST AGGREGATE WEIGHT OVER 5 SPECIES – ANGLER
3. HEAVIEST FISH OVERALL
4. HEAVIEST FISH – JUNIOR
5. PRESIDENT'S TROPHY (An additional perpetual trophy exists for the HPS Angler of the President's Tournament.)
6. EVAN GRIEG MEMORIAL TROPHY – HEAVIEST WAHOO
7. GRAEME GRADY MEMORIAL TROPHY - HEAVIEST MACKEREL

## **FIRST OF SPECIES TROPHIES**

Captures eligible for these trophies will be those occurring on all days of the fishing year except in accordance with By Law 11

- The first capture of any recognized Species as per By-Law 14 will be the winner.

## **P.M.G.F.C. MONTHLY SPOONS**

Captures eligible for these trophies will be those occurring on the last Sunday of each month. Awards will be given for the highest point scoring fish on that day.

Captures eligible for these trophies will be those occurring on all days of the fishing year except in accordance with By Law 11.



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## NOTES TO THE BY LAWS

1. Existing Junior Heavy Tackle Records at the time of inclusion of By Law 3(g) (2001) will be maintained in a separate closed category.
2. At the time of inclusion of By Laws 3(g), 14 and 15, (2001) adjustments to the Records were made which removed Longtail Tuna from the Bluefin Tuna Records, and acknowledgement made that in the past many Giant Trevally were included in both “Turrum” and Bluefin Trevally Records. From about 1997 onwards, the Giant Trevally, “Turrum” and Bluefin Trevally records were accurate.

Junior Records were removed from the Senior Records, and the previous Senior Record re-instated where possible (Contactable Juniors were given the opportunity to claim with a Junior or Senior Record).