

## 2018 Club Marine trailer Boat Fishing Tournament

If 2017 is remembered as having the worst weather ever, then the 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary event in 2018 will be remembered as having the best prizes ever. Port Stephens started off scarily with torrential rain on Thursday afternoon and then just got better & better & better as the weekend progressed.

This year, one of Australia's oldest & most successful ski boat builders, [Lewis Boats](#), joined us to display & launch their new range of family fishing boats. I had a good look over them and they represent exceptional value. Well worth considering for your next boat. Our friends at Marine Rescue had a good safety display on-site over the weekend and our friends at Shoal Bay Fishing Club ran a top tournament.

And the fishing was great. To enter and compete in the tournament is very easy, but to win it extremely difficult. The rules allow for 14 species, with only the top 3 fish in each category to count for points. This means the gun anglers all shoot for having a top 3 fish in a number of categories, ensuring long hours of effort.

2017 Champion Angler Mathew Godfrey (1<sup>st</sup> Tailor & Teraglin, 2<sup>nd</sup> Snapper) stepped up the plate and smashed the ball out of the park by knocking local guru Paul Lennon (1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> Flathead and 2<sup>nd</sup> Tailor) out of first spot with 13 points versus 11 points.

Similarly, in the Juniors, 2017 Champion Junior Amy Falko showed a clean set of heels to a strong field of junior anglers. This year, Amy (1<sup>st</sup> bream, 3<sup>rd</sup> flounder, 1<sup>st</sup> Kingfish, 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> Mulloway, 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Snapper, and 1<sup>st</sup> Tailor) won convincingly with 33 points from Ava Mayne (1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> Drummer & 1<sup>st</sup> Luderick).

Species winners and place getters won prizes from [Blue Bottle Marine](#) (Fish Chiller Bags), [Club Marine](#) (insurance discount vouchers), [Frogleys Offshore](#) (Samurai, Atomic, and Gamakatsu tackle), [Mako Eyewear](#) (Mako sunglasses) and [Shimano Australia](#) (Shimano tackle, Environet, and PowerPro line).

There were also loads of lucky draws throughout the tournament including prizes from the above sponsors plus a full range of the newly launched [Lowrance Hook<sup>2</sup>](#) sounder plotters from small to the \$2000 plus 12" screen models. Local alloy & stainless specialist [AliStain](#) offered custom gaffs and slimy tubes, [Bay Boat Sales](#) provided service discount vouchers, [BOAB Boat Hire](#) offered boat hire packages, [Life Cell Marine](#) kindly provided some of their world beating LifeCells, [Port Stephens Beachside Holiday Parks](#) and [Winning Holidays](#) offered competitors holiday packages. Also, any species prizes not won were lucky drawn.

Notable senior catches this year included a cracker 1.35 Kg Bream by Craig Astley and a 1.261 kg specimen by David Wood. These are big bream by Port Stephens standards and both were in beautiful condition. Similarly, Paul Lennons 4.966 Kg Flathead was a perfect fish. Similarly, Simon Pandelis' 3.368 Kg Flounder, Paul White's 18.751 Kg Kingfish, and Ben Doolan's 8.145 Kg snapper were all top fish.

The Juniors were nibbling at the seniors heels (fins?). Amy Falko caught a nice 1.037 Kg Bream & 11.705 Kg Mulloway, Ava Mayne a 2.098 Kg Drummer & Tyrese Flood a 6.33 Kg snapper. The battle of the sexes was well and truly alive this year with the girls pipping the boys in many species.

For full results visit the Hall of Fame at [www.tbft.net.au](http://www.tbft.net.au).

Hope to see you again in 2019.

Happy Easter,  
Tony Poole.

## 2018 Club Marine Trailer Boat Fishing Tournament - Senior Winners

SPECIES	PLACE	ANGLER NO.	ANGLER 1ST NAME	ANGLER SURNAME	BOAT NO.	BOAT	WEIGHT Kg	PTS
BREAM	1	307	Craig	Astley	142	R U Wet 2	1.350	5
BREAM	2	133	David	Wood	61	PissNwind	1.261	3
BREAM	3	338	Grant	Wallbridge	155	Both Got Em	1.160	1
COBIA	1	327	Chris	Pride	152	Seabreeze	8.609	5
COBIA	2							3
COBIA	3							1
DRUMMER	1	463	Steve	Tye	206	Typhoon	3.368	5
DRUMMER	2	463	Steve	Tye	206	Typhoon	2.137	3
DRUMMER	3	145	Sebastian	Thorsby	68	Tangles	1.415	1
FLATHEAD	1	441	Paul	Lennon	194	Fish PS Estuary Charters	4.966	5
FLATHEAD	2	441	Paul	Lennon	194	Fish PS Estuary Charters	4.616	3
FLATHEAD	3	268	Rod	Milham	118	Milkman	3.245	1
FLOUNDER	1	344	Simon	Pandelis	157	Wims	0.392	5
FLOUNDER	2	470	Tyson	Yule	207	Yuletides	0.361	3
FLOUNDER	3	304	James	Besoff	140	Djay	0.361	1
KINGFISH	1	180	Paul	White	81	Dirty Hooker	18.751	5
KINGFISH	2	267	Ben	Doolan	117	Dools	13.311	3
KINGFISH	3	277	Luke	Desylva	122	TR Marine	5.172	1
LUDERICK	1	461	Kurtis	Herman	204	Washed	1.000	5
LUDERICK	2	189	Scott	Winegardner	84	Her Harley	0.963	3
LUDERICK	3	141	Chris	Fowler	66	Chook	0.793	1
MARLIN	1							5
MARLIN	2							3
MARLIN	3							1
MORWONG	1	92	Sam	Dyson	43	Cracker	1.464	5
MORWONG	2	92	Sam	Dyson	43	Cracker	0.913	3
MORWONG	3	345	Will	Cross	157	Wims	0.893	1
MULLOWAY	1	461	Kurtis	Herman	204	Washed	16.243	5
MULLOWAY	2	47	Steve	Slender	23	Me N Dad	14.343	3
MULLOWAY	3	406	Grant	Bolewski	180	Bazinga	14.258	1
SNAPPER	1	267	Ben	Doolan	117	Dools	8.145	5
SNAPPER	2	161	Matthew	Godfrey	75	2Ezy	6.672	3
SNAPPER	3	267	Ben	Doolan	117	Dools	6.362	1
TAILOR	1	161	Matthew	Godfrey	75	2Ezy	1.102	5
TAILOR	2	441	Paul	Lennon	194	Fish PS Estuary Charters	1.058	3
TAILOR	3	470	Tyson	Yule	207	Yuletides	1.037	1
TERAGLIN	1	161	Matthew	Godfrey	75	2Ezy	1.863	5
TERAGLIN	2	469	Darren	Yule	207	Yuletides	1.604	3
TERAGLIN	3	470	Tyson	Yule	207	Yuletides	1.574	1
TUNA	1	180	Paul	White	81	Dirty Hooker	7.571	5
TUNA	2	383	Mark	Mensink	173	Kranky	7.398	3
TUNA	3	501	Corey	Yeung	221	Bite Me	6.332	1

## 2018 Club Marine Trailer Boat Fishing Tournament - Junior Winners

SPECIES	PLACE	ANGLER NO.	ANGLER 1ST NAME	ANGLER SURNAME	BOAT NO.	BOAT	WEIGHT Kg	PTS
BREAM	1	159	Amy	Falko	74	Big Daddy	1.037	5
BREAM	2	409	Kobi	Dryden	182	Koben	0.989	3
BREAM	3	453	Bailey	Williams	200	Chasin Finn	0.806	1
COBIA	1							5
COBIA	2							3
COBIA	3							1
DRUMMER	1	195	Ava	Mayne	86	Tranquil Waters	2.098	5
DRUMMER	2	195	Ava	Mayne	86	Tranquil Waters	1.930	3
DRUMMER	3	394	Xavier	Smith	176	Down Stream	1.604	1
FLATHEAD	1	453	Bailey	Williams	200	Chasin Finn	1.169	5
FLATHEAD	2	238	Cohen	Brakell	105	Matt & Co	1.107	3
FLATHEAD	3	238	Cohen	Brakell	105	Matt & Co	0.842	1
FLOUNDER	1	416	Tyler	Ellery	184	Celery	0.342	5
FLOUNDER	2	476	Jett	Krohn	210	Mitinny II	0.217	3
FLOUNDER	3	159	Amy	Falko	74	Big Daddy	0.178	1
KINGFISH	1	159	Amy	Falko	74	Big Daddy	3.082	5
KINGFISH	2							3
KINGFISH	3							1
LUDERICK	1	195	Ava	Mayne	86	Tranquil Waters	0.683	5
LUDERICK	2							3
LUDERICK	3							1
MARLIN	1							5
MARLIN	2							3
MARLIN	3							1
MORWONG	1	176	Luke	Arthur	80	Allycat	0.608	5
MORWONG	2							3
MORWONG	3							1
MULLOWAY	1	159	Amy	Falko	74	Big Daddy	11.705	5
MULLOWAY	2	159	Amy	Falko	74	Big Daddy	9.812	3
MULLOWAY	3							1
SNAPPER	1	373	Tyrese	Flood	168	Reel Jew	6.344	5
SNAPPER	2	159	Amy	Falko	74	Big Daddy	3.787	3
SNAPPER	3	159	Amy	Falko	74	Big Daddy	2.484	1
TAILOR	1	159	Amy	Falko	74	Big Daddy	0.868	5
TAILOR	2	176	Luke	Arthur	80	Allycat	0.820	3
TAILOR	3	453	Bailey	Williams	200	Chasin Finn	0.747	1
TERAGLIN	1	489	Samantha	Falko	217	Sammi	1.252	5
TERAGLIN	2	489	Samantha	Falko	217	Sammi	1.090	3
TERAGLIN	3	489	Samantha	Falko	217	Sammi	0.989	1
TUNA	1	159	Amy	Falko	74	Big Daddy	3.650	5
TUNA	2	409	Kobi	Dryden	182	Koben	3.163	3
TUNA	3	378	Dustin	Mrcela	170	Deno	2.605	1

## Club Marine Trailer Boat Fishing Tournament - 2018 Champions

CHAMPION ANGLER - SENIOR	Mathew Godfrey - 2 Ezy	13
RUNNER UP - SENIOR	Port Stephens Estuary Charters	11

CHAMPION ANGLER - JUNIOR	Amy Falko - Big Daddy	33
RUNNER UP - JUNIOR	Ava Mayne - Tranquil Waters	13

CHAMPION BOAT	2 Ezy	13
RUNNER UP	Fish Port Stephens Estuary Charters	11