

OBC Family Fishing Competition 2024

The Safety Stuff

Please read carefully

Vessel Safety

Ensure that all your safety gear is with you and up to date. Total responsibility whilst aboard your vessels remains that of the skipper of the vessel. Please ensure that nothing on your part harms yourself (or others) whilst in the club grounds (or on water).

The OBC is not liable in any way for conditions outside its control. Although the OBC holds the competition, the decision to be on the water is up to each boat's skipper. Remember the comfort and safety of your passengers and crew (as per maritime law).

Maritime Rules

It is law that all vessels must carry a life jacket on board for each person. Maritime rules provide it is the skipper's legal responsibility to ensure lifejackets are worn in situations of heightened risk. For example: when crossing a bar, in rough water, during an emergency and by non-swimmers.

Lifejackets must be stored so that they are immediately available in case of an emergency or capsize. Everyone should wear a properly secured lifejacket at all times in boats under 6 metres. Unless the person in charge expresses authority to remove a floatation device (after assessing all circumstances).

If any assistance is required, please call Coastguard Radio first on channel 64 (Waitemata Harbour/Inner Hauraki Gulf), 60 (Outer Hauraki Gulf), 62 (Waiheke). If the radio isn't working then dial *500 by mobile.

CHANNEL 16 IS THE EMERGENCY CHANNEL FOR MAYDAY AND PANPAN CALLS

Around the OBC grounds

Remember to keep an eye on your own children and others at all times. Know where they are and what they are doing. Please make sure they are safe.

There will be around 60 boats in the contest and this will create considerable traffic. Be careful around the grounds.

Cross traffic areas safely – WALK, DON'T RUN!

Take note of the speed limit signs around the ground – these are a MAXIMUM speed - 20km.

Tractor

The driver of the tractor must have previously received training with the OBC. No passengers on tractors!

First-Aid

Please see a staff member if you require assistance with First Aid or look for the first aid sign around the tents and near the clubhouse.

Fire Warden

Please ask one of the staff or volunteers in a yellow vest for help.

The Outdoor Bar

The outdoor bar and BBQ is open from 1430hrs on the day until 1800hrs. Please don't be offended if you are asked for ID.

Taxis

Please ask the office if you need to use a free phone, taxi numbers are provided on the noticeboard.

Parking attendants

These VOLUNTEERS are there to help you and make launching and parking as smooth as possible. Please be polite and help them as requested.

Fishing Boundary

The Family Fishing Competition is a 'one base' competition. You must launch from the OBC only!

Fishing hours are only between 0500hrs and 1530hrs (measure, close off time).

Your boat bag MUST be collected on fishing competition morning from 0500hrs only! This includes your special competition code for all length entries. You cannot collect your boat bag once you return from fishing.

Sorry, no exceptions!

Above all ... HAPPY BOATING AND FISHING!!!