



The Yzerfontein annual snoek *classic* 2019

COMPETITION RULES

- 1) The competition is open to all members of the public.
- 2) The competition is for recreational vessels. No commercial boats may take part in the event.
- 3) Valid angling permits are required to enter the competition and all craft to have a valid seaworthy certificate, skippers to have a certificate of fitness.
- 4) Entry fees for the competition is R400.00 per angler. Yzerfontein Boat Club members pay R300.00. Juniors under 16 will pay R200 and will NOT be eligible for the main prize. The first 200 entries will be guaranteed an event shirt. In order to guarantee the correct size shirt your entries must reach us **on/before 21 November 2019**.
- 5.) Competitors can fish anywhere in a 15 NM radius from the Yzerfontein harbour. Anyone fishing outside this area will be disqualified. Boats registered below Category C may only fish as far out to sea as licensed.
- 6.) Full team entries are required (skipper and full-crew). Entries with skipper's name only will not be accepted.
- 7.) Boats are limited to a maximum of 7 anglers and a skipper, thus 8 on board.
- 8.) Prizes will be handed to the various advertised categories, with the main prize being the heaviest Cape Snoek. The Organisers will determine all the relevant categories and communicate them accordingly.
- 9.) A minimum of 3 anglers per boat is the requirement to compete and qualify in the TOP BOAT Category.
- 10.) All fish/crayfish entered for the weigh-in will be handed back to the angler, and only fish in contention may be kept for verification by the Weigh-master. Only fish/crayfish entered for the weigh-in will qualify for the prizes and weights must be verified at the weigh-in station.
- 11.) Only one fish/crayfish may be entered per angler and only one prize will be awarded per entry.
- 12.) Fish will be weighed in a whole state. The organizers will tag the entered fish in the presence of the angler and reserves the right to gut the fish for verification. This will be done in the presence of the angler and a witness. The weigh-master's decision is final. The angler/skipper must sign the weigh sheet.
- 13.) Only fish/crayfish caught during the Classic will be accepted.
- 14.) Organisers, sponsors and Boat Club committee members are permitted to enter as no unfair fishing advantage is gained by their affiliation to the event.
- 15.) The competition dates will be on Saturday the 21st of December. If this day is not fishable, then the event may be extended to Sunday the 22nd of December. In the unlikelihood of all days being unsuitable, participants will NOT BE REFUNDED but each registered angler will be entered into a raffle and stand a chance to win a SELECTION of the sponsored prizes EXCLUDING the main prize of R40 000. Recipients need to be present in order to claim their prizes .
- 16.) To avoid congestion and for safety purposes no mass start will take place. Boats may launch from 05h00 daily and proceed to sea. IF LAUNCHING SLOWS DOWN DUE TO CONGESTION, PLEASE REVERT TO BUDDY ARRANGEMENT. PICK UP PREVIOUS BOATS' VEHICLE DRIVER AND DELIVER TO HIS BOAT – REPEAT PROCESS.
- 17.) The weigh-in will open at 12h00 and closes strictly at 16h00 when the scales will be taken down.
- 18.) Skippers are responsible to ensure that all boats and anglers comply with the harbour and Snoek Classic rules.

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- 19.) The Skipper's briefing will be on Friday, 20 December at 19h00 at the **Yzerfontein Boat Club, Beach Road, Yzerfontein.**
- 20.) Goody bags will be available at the BOAT CLUB FROM FRIDAY 20th from 17H00 to 19H00.
- 21.) The organisers have stipulated and will interpret the rules. All decisions made by the organizers will be deemed to be final and no correspondence will be entered into. Any objections must be lodged within 1 HOUR of the scales closing.
- 22.) The prize-giving will be held on the final evening of the Classic (provisionally 21st December) at the Yzerfontein Sport and Recreational Club, just below the Boat Club, at 18h00. Recipients need to be present in order to claim their prizes.
- 23.) All unclaimed prizes will be forfeited. MEAL VOUCHERS WILL BE ISSUED WITH SKIPPERS GOODY BAGS TO EACH SKIPPER ON FRIDAY, 20 DECEMBER FROM 17:00—19:00. SKIPPERS BRIEFING WILL COMMENSE AFTERWARDS AT 19:00. THOSE NOT ABLE TO COLLECT CAN DO SO ON SATURDAY, 21 DECEMBER AFTER THE SCALES HAVE CLOSED AT THE BOAT CLUB. NO MEAL WILL BE PROVIDED WITH OUT A MEAL TICKET. IT WILL BE SERVED DIRECTLY AFTER THE PRIZE GIVING FUNCTION.
- 24.) The entry fee for the Snoek Classic excludes the municipal Harbour tariff.
- 25.) The Skipper, on behalf of all crew, must sign the official registration form including indemnification and acknowledgement that the main prize is subject to a 3 day waiting period in the event of any objections lodged before the official handover.
- 26.) Crayfish may only be fished at the island using nets. Boats with divers or seen at harbor will be disqualified.

COMMUNICATION AT SEA – IN THE EVENT OF AN EMERGENCY THE NSRI WILL BE ON STANDBY ON CHANNEL 16. CALL SIGN IS **STATION 34**

ALL OTHER COMMUNICATION DURING THE EVENT WILL BE ON CHANNEL 71. CONTROL BOAT WILL BE **CMONI** WHO MAY HAND OVER TO **FISHTALES** DURING THE DAY. THE ORGANISERS WILL COMMUNICATE THIS.

A WHATSUP GROUP HAS BEEN ESTABLISHED TO KEEP EVERYONE INFORMED ON THE WEATHER CALL (FIRST CALL FRIDAY AT 16H00). PLEASE KEEP CELLPHONES WITH YOU AT ALL TIMES. PLEASE LET US KNOW IF YOU ARE A SKIPPER AND GET NO WHATSAP MESSAGES FROM THE ORGANISERS.

WEATHER COMMITTEE IS SEAN BEUKMAN, KOBUS BEUKES & IAIN VAN DER SPUY.

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