



The "MORETON COMP" 2024 NOTICE OF COMPETITION



DATE	SUNDAY 5th MAY 2024
LOCATION	MBBC HUTS, COWAN-COWAN, MORETON ISLAND
SIGN-ON TIME	Pairs to nominate with their respective clubs at least 7 days prior. Tweed Club nominations to Jenni: tweedgoldcoastfreedivers@hotmail.com Sunny Coast: sunshinecoastskindivers@gmail.com Briefing will be conducted at MBBC Cowan-Cowan Huts at 6:30 am
SIGN-OFF TIME	2:00 pm at MBBC Cowan-Cowan Huts / weigh-in area
FORMAT	Traditional Pairs / Open Boat
SIGN-ON FEE	Regular Club Competition Fee

"The Moreton Comp" – Background

- The event is to be conducted as a fun/social joint event between the Tweed Gold Coast Freedivers and Sunshine Coast Skindivers.
- The event will be held as a Traditional Pairs / Open Boat event.
- Standard Australian Underwater Federation scoring system is used to calculate each competitors **Personal Points**, namely 100 points per species, 10 points per kilogram of weight; and max weight of any one fish of 15 kg. Only one of each listed species to be weighed-in per competitor. Each **Pairs Points** will be the sum of each diver's Personal Points.
- The Scoresheet contains species common to both club scoresheets; 'unlisted' species will be limited to three.
- Awards:
 - o **Champion Pair** – Pair comprised of members from the same club with highest Pairs Points
 - o **Champion Club** – Combined Pairs Points of the top three Pairs comprised of members from the same club
- The event will also count as a regular club competition for each club and can be scored according to each clubs rules; however, in the event of there being a dispute arising from a conflict of rules regard shall first be had to the [TGCFD Spearfishing Competition Rules](#) and then to the [AUF "A-Section Rules"](#)
- Competitors can still capture fish according to their own club scoresheet as far as each club's regular club competition.
 - o Weighmaster: Ben Thompson
 - o Scorekeeper: Luke Randell
 - o Sign On/Off Clerk and Timekeeper: Jenni Budworth

Sign-On / Sign -Off / Briefing

A pre-dive briefing will be conducted and announcements concerning the competition shall be made.

Competitors are to be present at the sign-on with all Essential Safety Equipment available for inspection.



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Traditional Pairs

- Two divers of similar capability team up and nominate to compete together as a Traditional Pair.
- **Each diver has their own Compliant Float**, rigline and other Essential Safety Equipment.
- There is a maximum length of 30m on rig-lines.
- Both divers must practice '**one up-one down**'.
- In the event of an odd number of divers in the water a team of three divers will be allowed instead of two – a team of three divers must dive '**two up one down**'. Nobody is ever allowed to dive alone!

Odd numbers of divers on a Boat

In the case of an odd number of divers on a boat wishing to compete three divers can nominate to dive together.

Example: 3 divers on a boat; two in the water diving as a pair and one taking their turn as boatie.

In the case of three divers nominating the various pairs combinations will be recorded as:

Diver 1 and Diver 2

Diver 1 and Diver 3

Diver 2 and Diver 3

When working out the Champion Club only the top scoring pair combination will be used (other combinations will be cancelled out).

All Competitors must:

- Sign and acknowledge the current **Disclaimer Form** the terms of which can be reviewed on the Sign-On | Sign-Off Sheet [attached]
- If under the age of 18 must have the approval of their parents / guardians and Committee;
- Sign-on before the event starts and pay the nominated club competition fees;
- Ask the skipper to brief them on all the safety equipment, EPIRB, First Aid kit and buoyancy vests located on the vessel;
- Sign-off at the end of the competition.

Essential Safety Equipment:

Competitors for spearfishing must have the following **Essential Safety Equipment** at all times during the competition:

Compliant Float i.e. minimum size of 7 litres; coloured Red, Yellow or Orange; fitted with an International "Code Flag Alpha"; self-righting

Whistle and signaling mirror*

Orange plastic safety sheet*

Sheathed diver's knife

Weight belt fitted with quick release buckle

Cover to spear points

** available at sign-on – whistle and mirror \$5.00 each*