

# MOUNTAIN DESIGNS

# EARLYBIRD 1000 SHARK

# FISHING COMPETITION

PRESENTED BY THE GAME FISHING CLUB OF NORTHERN  
TASMANIA INC.



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**7<sup>th</sup> JANUARY 2012**

Held in conjunction with

**THE MERSEY YACHT CLUB KIDS FUN FISH (UNDER 14)**

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CONTACT HARRY AT 'THE BOAT SHACK'

FOR KIDS FUN FISH DETAILS (SEPARATE PRIZES FOR FUN FISH)

**\$1000 CASH PRIZE FOR THE HEAVIEST MAKO SHARK**

Proudly donated by the Joinery Products

**\$1000 PRIZE FOR HIGHEST POINTS 'TAG AND RELEASE'**

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**JUNIOR PRIZES**

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**OTHER PRIZE CATEGORIES: HEAVIEST OTHER SPECIES - LUCKY BOAT AND MORE**  
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**Fishing times: 7.30 – 2.00pm Weigh in times: 12:30pm – 3.00 pm Presentation time: 3.30pm**

**COOKED BREAKFAST AVAILABLE ON THE MORNING AT THE MERSEY YACHT CLUB**

**Discount accom. available at the Argosy Motor Inn - room to park your car and boat-Ph 1800 657 068**

**ENTRY FORMS AVAILABLE FROM SELECTED SPONSORS AND LEADING TACKLE STORES OR CALL CLINTON ON 0409 135 550**

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**DEVONPORT EARLY BIRD 1000 SHARK FISHING COMPETITION**  
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**FISHING RULES** Game Fishing is a sport and the GFCNT is affiliated with governing bodies such as the Tasmanian Game Fishing Association and the Game Fishing Association of Australia (GFAA).

For this reason all anglers competing in this competition must fish and obey the current fishing rules set by the above bodies. These rules can be viewed on the web at [www.gfaa.asn.au](http://www.gfaa.asn.au) or by reading the current 2011 GFAA Journal.

**SOME BASIC RULES**

- 1) Use approved game fishing rods and proper line class line
- 2) The overall length of leaders, doubles, knots and hooks is governed by size of line used. Check they are correct as we will be checking them on the day (there will be an area set aside for any angler to per check their gear prior to the event on the day at the venue)
- 3) No part of any mammal shall be used as berley
- 4) No berleying before start time
- 5) Only one angler can strike fish and catch the fish and strictly no handing the rod by another person during any part of the capture
- 6) After a fish has taken the bait and it has been 'strike' you cannot leave the rod in the rod holder
- 7) During the capture you cannot rest any part of the rod on any part of the boat or similar. A person can hold onto you but not touch the rod.
- 8) There are length restrictions in regard to gaff lengths and flying gaff rope lengths
- 9) The fish must not be mutilated (cut, gouged, shot etc.) in any way during the catch except for gaff marks or minor damage that does not affect the fighting capacity of the fish.
- 10) Juniors are only eligible for Junior prizes however a Junior may be entered as an Adult and therefore be eligible for prizes overall.

**TAG AND RELEASE** There are rules for Tag and Release that can be viewed on the web at [www.gfaa.asn.au](http://www.gfaa.asn.au) or by reading the current 2011 GFAA Journal.

In addition to these rules are also new rule requirements for tag and release stated below:

- 1) A special Shark Tag Applicator Needle is required. (Mountain Designs Devonport sells these.)
- 2) Only Certified Shark Tags are to be used.
- 3) All Tag & Release fish must have photographic evidence and must show the date and time on the photo and be provided to the Committee on request and we will be viewing all photos.
- 4) Tag Cards must have line class and capture time written at top of cards.
- 5) No Gaffs to be used.
- 6) Release Capture ASAP, trying not to harm the fish in any way.
- 7) Cut off hook as close to mouth in a safe and possible manner.

**FAILURE TO ADHERE TO ANY OF THESE RULES WILL CONSTITUTE THE CATCH  
DISQUALIFIED.  
TIGHT LINES!!**

<b>FOR SALE</b>
<b>FISH &amp; SHARK BERLEY</b>
<b>6 – 7 KG LOGS      \$9 EACH</b>

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