



MATAMATA FISHING CLUB NEWSLETTER

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UPCOMING EVENTS

NEXT COMPETITION

14th and 15th June 2025

Weigh in 4pm - 5pm

NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING

18th June 2025

Check out our website:
matamatafishingclub.co.nz



PRESIDENT

Phil Stevens

VICE PRESIDENT

Graham Hornsey

SECRETARY

Wendy Oliver

TREASURER

Jacki Andrew

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Hello team,

Welcome to our May/June newsletter.

We unfortunately had to postpone our May competition by a week due to weather conditions. This decision is never an easy one to make but after consultation with the Committee we decided to run the competition on the third weekend instead.

A big thank you to our May Sponsors, Matamata Tractors & Machinery, Phil Stevens Racing, Whitehall Shoeing Company and Piako Rural Servies Ltd, there support is always greatly appreciated.

We were light on numbers for the May Competition but there were some nice fish weighed in. The winning Snapper of 5.93kg was weighed in by Phil Stevens. Hadlee MacPherson, one of our junior members, weighed in a lovely Trout at 2.97kg. There was also a Blue Nose weighed in at just over 10kg. The MacPherson family also took out the Duck prize with three ducks weighed in by the family.

Our June competition is kindly being sponsored by Laurent Contractors Ltd, New World Matamata and Vercoe Insurance Brokers.

Also welcome to another new sponsor, Kaiser Ag. Your support is greatly appreciated, and please remember to support any of our sponsors where possible.

The June competition is our last fishing competition for the season and with the points being so close in a few categories a lot will come down to this competition. So get out there and try to secure your points.

Planning for our July Hunting Competition is under way and will come around quick. Dates for this are Friday the 11th of July to Sunday the 13th of July. Keep an eye on our newsletter and social media for updates. Due to a few people being away, any help to run this competition would be much appreciated.

Let's hope the weather plays its part for our June competition and we can all get out for a fish. Good luck team.

Kind regards,
Phil



POINTS SUMMARY

OPEN POINTS

| | |
|-------------------|-------|
| Phil Stevens | 1,643 |
| Stephen Butcher | 1,462 |
| Hadlee MacPherson | 1,187 |
| Isaak Crosland | 1,063 |
| Sue Dixon | 921 |
| Grant Dixon | 901 |
| Gerry Gordon | 875 |
| Peter Nelmes | 815 |
| Bruce Andrew | 706 |
| Greg Ward | 659 |

LADIES POINTS

| | |
|-----------------|-----|
| Sue Dixon | 921 |
| Gerry Gordon | 875 |
| Jacki Andrew | 597 |
| Eileen Ward | 350 |
| Sharyn Clouston | 330 |
| Wendy Oliver | 320 |
| Zara Clifton | 256 |
| Hannah Bateman | 198 |
| Stef Atkinson | 174 |
| Lacey Hawke | 173 |

JUNIOR POINTS

| | |
|-------------------|-------|
| Hadlee MacPherson | 1,187 |
| Saxon Butcher | 622 |
| Austin Oliver | 537 |
| Beau Mitchell | 439 |
| Holly Henderson | 358 |
| Sophie Henderson | 236 |
| Miya Henderson | 214 |
| William Bateman | 191 |
| Lachlan Autridge | 174 |
| Fynn Autridge | 165 |

LANDBASE POINTS

| | |
|------------------|-----|
| Michael Autridge | 161 |
| Bob Bevege | 159 |
| Steve Dench | 106 |
| Brook Whitehead | 54 |

KANES KAYAK CHALLENGE

| | |
|-----------------|----|
| Aiden Titterton | 33 |
|-----------------|----|

FRESHWATER POINTS

| | |
|-------------------|------|
| Stephen Butcher | 1111 |
| Hadlee MacPherson | 816 |
| Glenn MacPherson | 403 |
| Saxon Butcher | 325 |
| Bob Bevege | 307 |
| Nadine Butcher | 173 |
| Pauline Butcher | 137 |
| Peter Nelmes | 89 |
| Chase Butcher | 67 |

BOAT POINTS - TOP TEN

| | |
|-----------------|-------|
| Reel Deal | 4,249 |
| Team Butcher | 2,484 |
| Team Butcher FW | 1,926 |
| Dixie Explorer | 1,641 |
| Extreme Limits | 1,526 |
| NI-Cam II | 1,370 |
| Bella | 1,205 |
| Cruizin | 1,147 |
| Whaley | 973 |
| Orca | 830 |

SPORTFISH POINTS

| | |
|-------------------|------|
| Holly Henderson | 100 |
| Conrad Dalton | 100 |
| Michael Thomson | 100 |
| Zara Clifton | 100 |
| Hadlee MacPherson | 23.4 |
| Isaak Crosland | 21.6 |
| Ben Furness | 19.1 |
| Phil Stevens | 19 |
| Shaine Le Gros | 18.5 |
| Stephen Butcher | 17.1 |

**GOLDEN FLOW
SNAPPER
CHALLENGE
CURRENT LEADER
Peter Nelmes
9.220kg**



**Eftpos now
available!**

Proud Sponsors of Kids Fishing



MAY 2025 COMPETITION RESULTS

Junior 0-16

| | | | | |
|---------------------------------------|-------------|-------------------|-------|----------|
| Paper Plus colouring competition 0-10 | Voucher | Not Struck | | |
| Paper Plus Sprat 0-9 | Voucher | Not Struck | | |
| Junior 0-9 | 1x Heaviest | Not Struck | | |
| Junior 10-16 | 1x Heaviest | Hadlee MacPherson | Trout | 2.970 kg |
| Paper Plus Eel 0-16 | Voucher | Not Struck | | |
| New World kids catch of the month | Voucher | Hadlee MacPherson | | |

Adult Landbase Fisho's

| | | | | |
|---|-------------|------------|--|--|
| Dench Family Landbase Saltwater Challenge | 1x Heaviest | Not Struck | | |
| Landbase Saltwater | 1x Mystery | Not Struck | | |

Adult Fisho's

| | | | | |
|--|--------------|-------------------|-----------|----------|
| Duck | 1x Mystery | MacPherson Family | | |
| Kingfish | 1x Heaviest | Not Struck | | |
| Kingfish | 1x Mystery | Not Struck | | |
| Gurnard | 1x Heaviest | Gerry Gordon | Gurnard | 0.575 kg |
| John Dory/Trevally/Tarakihi | 1x Mystery | Not Struck | | |
| Kahawai | 1x Heaviest | Greg Ward | Kahawai | 1.480 kg |
| Kahawai | 1 x 3 Bag | Gerry Gordon | | |
| Trout | 1x Heaviest | Stephen Butcher | Trout | 2.555 kg |
| Trout | 1 x 3 Bag | Stephen Butcher | | |
| Snapper | 1x Heaviest | Phil Stevens | | |
| Snapper | 2nd Heaviest | Gerry Gordon | | |
| Snapper | 1x Mystery | Peter Nelmes | | |
| Snapper | 1 x 3 Bag | Phil Stevens | | |
| Snapper - FOT | 1x Heaviest | Bruce Andrew | Snapper | 2.160 kg |
| Phil's Motorcycles Catch of the Month | | Phil Stevens | Blue Nose | 10.06 kg |
| Laurent Motors Waharoa Average Weight - All Sections | | Sue Dixon | | |

Lucky Member Draw

| | | | | |
|-------------------------|-----------|-----------------|--|--|
| Lucky Member Draw \$100 | | Keith Ellis | | |
| La More Sweets | Voucher | Stephen Butcher | | |
| Number of Anglers | 13 | | | |
| Number of Fish | 55 | | | |
| Total Weight of Fish | 87.415 kg | | | |
| Average Weight | 1.561 kg | | | |



MANY THANKS TO OUR MAY SPONSORS

Matamata Tractors and Machinery

Phil Stevens Racing

Whitehall Shoeing Company

Piako Rural Services Ltd

JUNE COMPETITION CATEGORIES

“HARRY FORT MEMORIAL”

14th and 15th June 2025– weigh in 4pm-5pm

Junior 0-16

Paper Plus Colouring 0-10 yrs

Voucher

Paper Plus Sprat

Voucher

Junior 0-9

1st Heaviest

Junior 0-9

1 X Mystery

Junior 0-9

1 X Mystery

Junior 10-16

1st Heaviest

Junior 10-16

1 X Mystery

Junior 10-16

1 X Mystery

Junior 10-16

All Juniors 0-16

Paper Plus Junior Eel

1 X Mystery

New World Kids Catch of the Month

Adult Landbase

Dench Family Landbase Challenge Snapper

1 X Mystery

Adult Fisho's

Snapper

1st Heaviest

Snapper

2nd Heaviest

Snapper

1 X 3 Bag

Trout

1st Heaviest

Trout

1 X Mystery

Trout

1 X 3 Bag

Kahawai

1st Heaviest

Kahawai

1 X Mystery

Terakihi, Gurnard, John Dory, Trevally

1st Heaviest

Terakihi, Gurnard, John Dory, Trevally

1 X Mystery

Kingfish

1st Heaviest

Kingfish

1 X Mystery

Snapper caught in the Firth of Thames

1st Heaviest

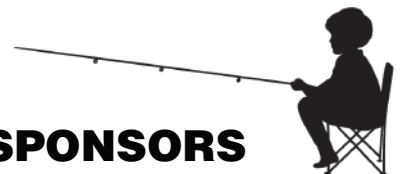
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Matamata New World

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DAYLIGHT SAVING

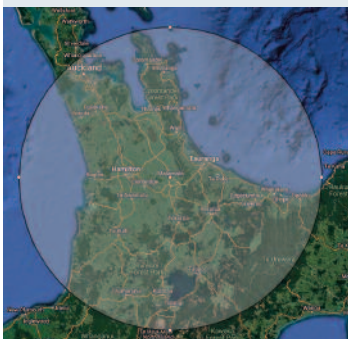
The committee introduce daylight saving start times, so non daylight saving months, start time will be Friday at midday and daylight saving months it will be Friday 5pm.

MEMBERSHIP CARD

Please make sure you have your membership card with you when weighing in fish!

If asked for, this needs to be presented to a committee member.

FISHING BOUNDARIES



Just a reminder of fishing boundaries – to fish outside this boundary, the angler will give his/her intention in the form of a text or email to the Weigh Master or Fishing Club email address on the first day of the competition.



HUNTING COMPETITION

Supported by Waikato Stud

Starts 12am Friday 11th July

**Weigh in 2 - 4pm Sunday 13th July
at Matamata Fishing Club**

COMING UP

Prizegiving 9th August

AGM 13th August



**Time for all trophies to be handed back,
please bring them along to the next competition.
We are setting up a drop point in town but until then
bring them to the club please.**



Club Record Challenge **JUNE**

Fish: Porae
Date: 13 July 2000
Weight: 16.03kg
Name: Dianne Louch
Place: Whangamata
Length: 24 years, 0 months



Introducing

Riverhaven Farms

Rod and Reels Repairs

Chris has retired from the shop but enjoys
fixing those rod and reels

For any repairs contact Chris

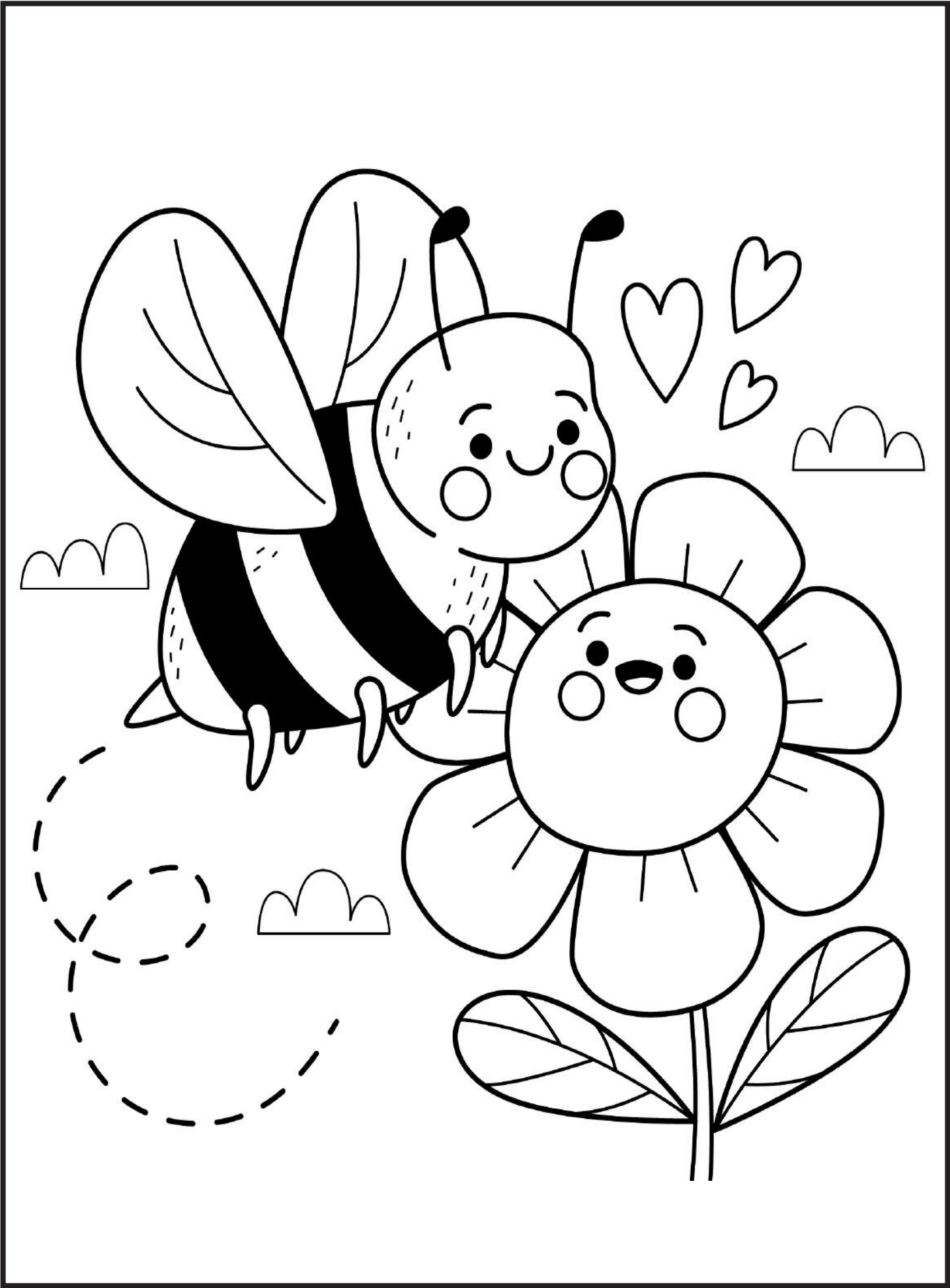
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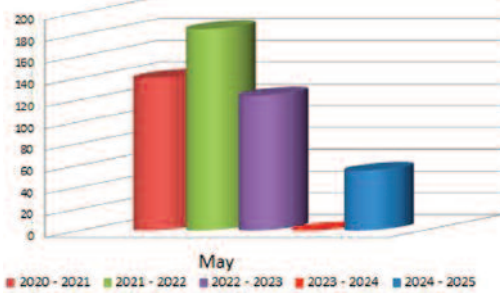
| SEPTEMBER | OCTOBER | NOVEMBER |
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| Matamata Mitre 10 Mark Wilcox Builders Ltd | Daltons Ltd Matamata Directional Drilling Wheelie Bin Services Matamata Chooky's Auto | J Swap Contractors Allen Cossill Car Painters Colchester Engineering Trackside Auto Services Matamata Club Matamata Timber and Hardware Matamata SportsWorld Mower and Chainsaw Specialists PGG Wrightson Farm Source Matamata – RD1 Redoubt Bar and Eatery Repco Matamata Matamata Butchery McDonald Family Merchant of Matamata Van Den Broek & Jobe Visique Matamata Vision Care King Electrical Onsite Auto Electrical Farmlands Matamata Glass and Joinery Steve and Linda Dench Gifted Noel Leeming Matamata Bell Mechanical Ltd |
| DECEMBER | FEBRUARY | |
| Comag Ltd J Swaps Golden Flow Honey Indulgence Beauty and Spa | Riverhaven Farms Rod & Reels Repairs Begovich Builders Matamata Butchery Ltd Top Cru Stihl Shop Matamata Bob Autridge | |
| MARCH | APRIL | |
| Challenge Matamata FVM - Farm Veterinary Matamata Plumb Co (2004) Ltd King Electrical Matamata Marine Waharoa Transport (1995) Ltd Small Steps Early Learning Centre Wrightway Builders Ltd | L J Hooker Matamata Matamata Auto Services and Electrical Bell and Graham Solicitors Waharoa Transport (1995) Ltd Kids Comp | |
| MAY | JUNE | |
| Matamata Tractors and Machinery Phil Stevens Racing Whitehall Shoeing Company Piako Rural Services Ltd | Matamata New World Laurent Contractors Vercoe Insurance Brokers Kaiser Ag Ltd | |
| JULY FISHING | | |
| No Fishing Competition planned | | |
| JULY HUNTING | | |
| Waikato Stud Jimmy Neal Electrical Joanne Morgan Henry Clifton Glass and Joinery DR Trim Paul Jones Contracting | Bryan Shepherd (Top Cru) Matamata Butchery Dench Family Trevor Kenny Mower and Chainsaw Specialists Matamata SportsWorld | |
| MONTHLY SPONSORS | | |
| Laurent Motors Average Weight Phils Motorcycles Catch of the Month Dench Family La More Sweets New World Matamata Craig Osborne | PR Accounting DK's Burger Bar Subway Matamata Paper Plus Matamata Piako Rural Services Ltd Keith and Elaine Melville | |
| MONTHLY LUCKY MEMBER DRAW \$100.00 | | |
| Plumb Co (2004) Ltd Liquorland | Grant and Karen Montague MTF Matamata | |

Remember where possible – please support our sponsors

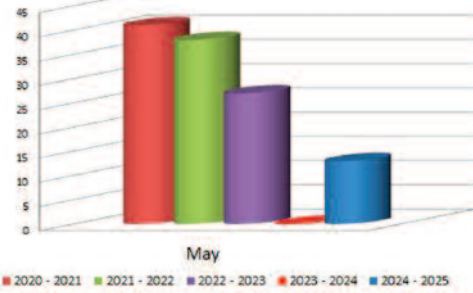
NAME: AGE:



Number of Fish Caught



Number of Members weigh in fish



Matamata Fishing Club - Fish Numbers Caught

Sep-24 Oct-24 Nov-24 Dec-24 Feb-25 Mar-25 Apr-25 May-25 Jun-25 Jul-25 Grand Total

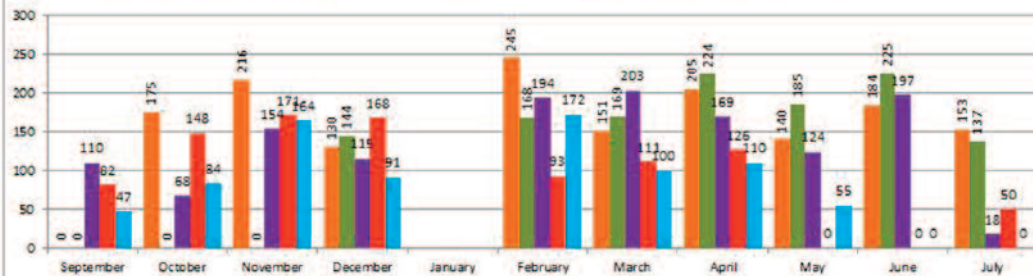
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| Snapper | 31 | 43 | 110 | 58 | 95 | 68 | 79 | 35 | | | 519 |
| Kahawai | 2 | 3 | 12 | 7 | 26 | 9 | 12 | 6 | | | 77 |
| Trout | 9 | 26 | 15 | 7 | 2 | 11 | 8 | 10 | | | 68 |
| Trevally | | 2 | 14 | 4 | 8 | 1 | 3 | | | | 32 |
| John Dory | | | | | | | | | | | 0 |
| Gurnard | | 2 | | | 14 | | 2 | 3 | | | 21 |
| Terakihi | | 1 | | | | 2 | | | | | 3 |
| RedSnapper | | | | | | | | | | | 0 |
| Hapuka | | | 1 | | 1 | | | | | | 2 |
| Billfish | | | | | | | | | | | 0 |
| Kingfish | | | 4 | 7 | 2 | | 1 | | | | 14 |
| BlueCod | | 1 | | | | | | | | | 1 |
| Porae | | | | 2 | 2 | | | | | | 4 |
| Moki | | | | | | | | | | | 0 |
| Mackeral | | 1 | | | | | 2 | | | | 3 |
| Eel | 5 | 4 | 5 | 3 | 2 | 5 | 3 | | | | 27 |
| Maomao | | | | | 1 | | | | | | 1 |
| ReefFish | | | | | | | | | | | 0 |
| Bass | | | | | | | | | | | 0 |
| Barracouta | | 1 | | 1 | 2 | 1 | | | | | 5 |
| RedCod | | | | | 1 | | | | | | 1 |
| Rays | | | | | | | | | | | 0 |
| Sharks | | | | | | | | | | | 0 |
| Skip Jacks | | | | | 4 | 2 | | | | | 6 |
| Albacore | | | 3 | 2 | 10 | 1 | | 1 | | | 2 |
| Other | | | | | | | | | | | 17 |

Fish Numbers Caught: 47 64 164 91 172 100 110 55 0 0 823

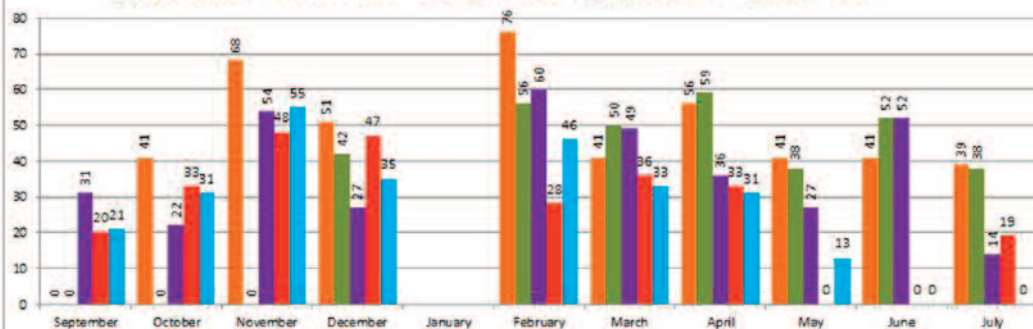


Matamata Fishing Club - Top Graph Fish Caught, Bottom Graph Number of Fisho's

2020 - 2021 2021 - 2022 2022 - 2023 2023 - 2024 2024 - 2025



2020 - 2021 2021 - 2022 2022 - 2023 2023 - 2024 2024 - 2025



**Current
membership
is 255**



**All Game fish
are caught as
per IGFA rules**

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newsletters and your
videos for the website
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Droppin' a line with the locals at Matamata Fishing Club



ABOVE: Grant and Sue Dixon, fishing at the Firth of Thames, bagged a few nice pannies. "Size wasn't overly impressive" Sue said, "but we had a great time."

LEFT: Jelly Nemes will tell you he finally softened and shared a couple of ripper spots with Phil Stevens which, as you can see led to a pretty awesome reward. Fishing in 460m of water off the back of Mayor Island, Phil landed this beauty Bluenose that tipped the scales at 10kg and, also at Mayor, a pretty decent snapper of around 5kg.

RIGHT: Out-fishing her husband Phil by a fairly large whicker, Jerry Gordon is pictured with one of her best snapper after fishing at Kawhia. It weighed 2.595kg.



ABOVE: A family day out for the McPherson's saw a great haul of ducks, fish and fun!



ABOVE: Fairly new to fly fishing Stephen Butcher laughs when he says he probably caught as many trees as he did trout! With these two beautiful Browns - and a Rainbow or two Ngongataha provided a great day out with his sons.

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