



NEWSLETTER

MATAMATA FISHING CLUB NEWSLETTER

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UPCOMING EVENTS

NEXT COMPETITION

7th and 9th November 2025

Weigh in 4pm - 5pm

NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING

12th November 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 and Welcome to our November newsletter.

It was great to see a good turnout at the Club last competition with some nice fish being weighed in.

Heaviest Trout went to Stephen Butcher weighing 3.19kg. Glen Clothier's crew caught some nice Kingfish, the heaviest going to Beau Mitchell with a 10.32kg fish. I took a crew to Mayor Island and probably had the best fishing I've had for years. The Heaviest Snapper was 6.28kg.

Our prizes on offer for the October Competition were very well received. A special thank you to Daltons for the most amazing amount of products they give. Also a huge thank you goes out to Chooky's Auto, Matamata Directional Drilling and Wheelie Bin Services. We really do appreciate your sponsorship and support.

In conjunction with our November competition, we are running an Open Day at the Club, for people to come along and see what the Club is all about. As an incentive we have put up \$1,000 for the Average Weight fish for adults! Along with \$100 for the Average Weight fish for the kids. You must be a financial member to be eligible to enter for these prizes.

Please everyone if you know someone keen on fishing or someone that owns a boat, encourage them to join our fantastic Club.

There will also be some auctions run at our Sunday prizegiving including a fantastic opportunity to fish on the Swap Family launch. There will also be spots on other local boats to be auctioned and some other great goodies. Come on down as it is always entertaining. We will also have the BBQ going with sausages and hot chips along with our usual beautiful cooked fish!

Our November competition is a 3-day competition from Friday 7th through to Sunday 9th November. Let's hope the weather plays its part. It will be great to see you all and any new members at the Club whether you go fishing or not. We have a huge array of sponsors for our November competition for which we are very grateful.

There is a group from the Club that has grown from 9 last year to 20 venturing to Houhora, many for the first time. No doubt there will be some good stories to be told!

The Matamata Christmas parade is approaching rapidly. Please get your thinking caps on as it is a great way to expose our Club to our community and it is a lot of fun.

All the best for the November competition, happy fishing,

Phil



2025-2026 POINTS SUMMARY

OPEN POINTS

Stephen Butcher	540
Isaak Crosland	493
Phil Stevens	371
Andrew Smellie	363
Beau Mitchell	348
Saxon Butcher	308
Scarlett Smellie	283
Hadlee MacPherson	266
Miya Henderson	228
Chris Henderson	226

LADIES POINTS

Scarlett Smellie	283
Jacki Andrew	153
Sharyn Clouston	79
Gerry Gordon	75
Lacey Hawke	64
Robyn Holmes	60
Sue Dixon	11

JUNIOR POINTS

Beau Mitchell	348
Saxon Butcher	308
Miya Henderson	228
Mia Bungard	215
Lillith Henderson-Davies	214
Grayson Bungard	203
Archie Anselmi	172
Conrad Dalton	41
William Bateman	40
Lachlan Autridge	39

LANDBASE POINTS

Michael Autridge	281
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FRESHWATER POINTS

Stephen Butcher	540
Hadlee MacPherson	221
Saxon Butcher	205
Glenn MacPherson	80
Peter Nelmes	75
Craig Osborne	56

BOAT POINTS – TOP TEN

Reel Deal	1,144
Team Butcher	1,020
Team Butcher FW	1,020
Artemis	962
Grand Cru	820
Hard Yakka	612
NI-Cam II	280
Above The Law	226
Captain Kiwi	134
Bucky	115

SPORTFISH POINTS

Beau Mitchell	15.3
Isaak Crosland	14
Stephen Butcher	9.3
Andrew Smellie	6.1
Archie Anselmi	2.7
Saxon Butcher	2.5

Current
membership
is 222



Club Record Challenge NOVEMBER

Fish: Leatherjacket
Date: 17 November 1993
Weight: 0.58kg

Name: Owen Henderson
Place: Schooner Rocks
Length: 30 years, 8 months

Proud Sponsors of

Kids Fishing



COMPETITION RESULTS OCTOBER 2025

Junior 0-16

Paper Plus colouring competition 0-9
 Paper Plus Eel - Mystery
 Junior 0-9
 Junior 0-9
 Junior 0-9
 Junior 10-16
 Junior 10-16
 Junior 10-16
 Paper Plus Eel 0-16
 New World kids catch of the month

Voucher
 Voucher
 1st Heaviest
 1 X Mystery
 1 X Mystery
 1st Heaviest
 1 X Mystery
 1 X Mystery
 Voucher
 Voucher

Indie Fletcher
 Noah Lucas
 Mia Bungard
 Mia Bungard
 Beau Fletcher
 Beau Mitchell
 Archie Anselmi
 Miya Henderson
 Lachlan Autridge
 Grayson Bungard

Snapper 2.03kg
 Kingfish 10.32kg

Adult Landbase FISHO's

Landbase Trout
 Landbase Snapper
 Dench Family Landbase Challenge
 Drone Fishing – 2 hooks

1 X Mystery
 1 X Mystery
 1 X Mystery
 1 X Mystery

Glen MacPherson
 Michael Autridge
 Michael Autridge
 Not Struck

Adult Kayak FISHO's

Kayak Challenge

1st Heaviest

Not Struck

Adult FISHO's

Tarakihi / Gurnard / John Dory / Trevally
 Tarakihi / Gurnard / John Dory / Trevally
 Kahawai
 Kahawai
 Kingfish
 Kingfish
 Trout
 Trout
 Trout
 Trout
 Snapper
 Snapper
 Snapper
 Snapper
 Snapper
 Snapper
 Snapper - Firth of Thames

1st Heaviest
 1 X Mystery
 1st Heaviest
 1 X Mystery
 1st Heaviest
 1 X Mystery
 1st Heaviest
 1 X Mystery
 1 X Mystery
 1 X Mystery
 1st Heaviest
 2nd Heaviest
 3rd Heaviest
 1 X Mystery
 1 X Mystery
 1 X 3 Bag
 1st Heaviest

Isaak Crosland
 Jacki Andrew
 Scarlett Smellie
 Michael Autridge
 Isaak Crosland
 Glen Clothier
 Stephen Butcher
 Craig Osborne
 Hadlee MacPherson
 Stephen Butcher
 Phil Stevens
 Andrew Smellie
 Phil Stevens
 Gerry Gordon
 Bruce Andrew
 Andrew Smellie
 Phil Gordon
 Lillith Henderson-Davies
 Phil Stevens
 Not Struck - Jackpots

Trevally 1.465kg
 Kahawai 2.075kg
 Kingfish 9.610kg
 Trout 3.190kg
 Snapper 6.280kg
 Snapper 6.190kg
 Snapper 4.295kg
 Snapper 1.535kg

Laurent Motors Average Weight

Phil's Motorcycles Catch of the Month

Lucky Member Draw Jackpot (must be there to win)

Number of Anglers

Number of Fish

Total Weight of Fish

Average Weight

39

131

263.507kg

1.996kg



Thanks to our October Sponsors

Chooky's Auto

Daltons Ltd

Matamata Directional Drilling

Wheelie Bin Services Matamata



CATEGORIES NOVEMBER COMPETITION

Junior 0-16

Paper Plus colouring competition 0-10

Paper Plus colouring competition 0-10

Junior 0-9

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Junior 0-9

Junior 0-9

Junior 10-16

Junior 10-16

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Junior 10-16

New World kids catch of the month

Paper Plus Eel 0-16 (Weighed in Live)

Adult Landbase FISHO's

Landbase Snapper

Landbase Snapper

Landbase Trout

Landbase Trout

Dench Family Landbase Saltwater Challenge

Drone Fishing

Adult Kayak FISHO's

Kayak Challenge

Adult FISHO's

Snapper

Snapper

Snapper

Snapper

Snapper

Snapper

Snapper Longest Catch and Release

Snapper caught in the Firth of Thames

Snapper caught in the Firth of Thames

Trout

Trout

Trout

Trout

Kahawai

Kahawai

Kahawai

Trevally

Trevally

Kingfish

Kingfish

Kingfish

Gurnard

John Dory

Other Fish

Voucher

Voucher

1st Heaviest

2nd Heaviest

1 X Mystery

1 X Mystery

1 X Mystery

1 X Mystery

1st Heaviest

2nd Heaviest

1 X Mystery

1 X Mystery

1 X Mystery

1 X Mystery

Voucher

Voucher

1st Heaviest

1 X Mystery

1st Heaviest

1 X Mystery

1 X Mystery

1x Mystery

1st Heaviest

1st Heaviest

2nd Heaviest

3rd Heaviest

1 X Mystery

1 X Mystery

1 X 3 Bag

Longest Catch

1st Heaviest

1 X Mystery

1st Heaviest

2nd Heaviest

1 X Mystery

1 X 3 Bag

1st Heaviest

2nd Heaviest

1 X Mystery

1st Heaviest

1 X Mystery

1st Heaviest

2nd Heaviest

3rd Heaviest

1st Heaviest

1st Heaviest

1st Heaviest

**Many thanks to
our November
sponsors**

J Swap Contractors

**Allen Cossill Car
Painters**

**Colchester
Engineering**

**Trackside Auto
Services**

Matamata Club

**Matamata Timber and
Hardware**

**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**

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Onsite Auto Electrical

Farmlands

**Matamata Glass and
Joinery**

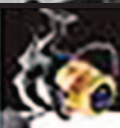
Steve and Linda Dench

Eileen and Greg Ward

Gifted

Noel Leeming Matamata

Bell Mechanical Ltd



RIVER HAVEN

- REEL SERVICING
- ROD REPAIRS
- LURE RIGGING
- RAQUET RESTRINGING
- GOLF CLUB REGRIPS



Phone BUNGEY on 0274 728 674



OPEN DAY

Come and see what our Club is all about
222 Tauranga Road

November Fishing Competition

Friday 7th November to Sunday 9th November
Weigh in 4-5pm Sunday at the Club



AUCTIONS

EFTPOS
Available

\$1000 CASH PRIZE
ADULTS

\$100 CASH PRIZE
KIDS

AVERAGE WEIGHT

Fresh cooked Fish
Sausages & Hot Chips
Drinks

Must be a Member by
Thursday 6th November 5pm
to Enter
\$60/Family
\$30/Individual
Scan the QR Code to Join



Many thanks to our sponsors – please support our past and planned sponsors

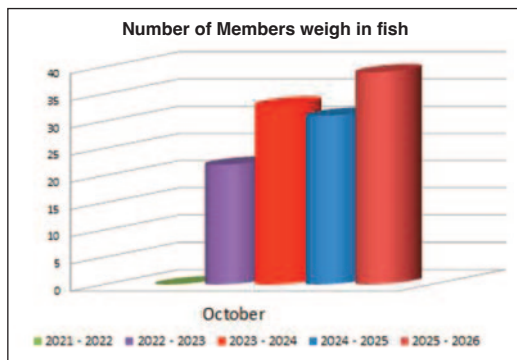
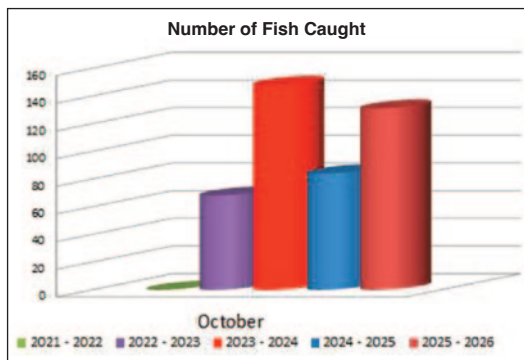
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Matamata Mitre 10 Mark Wilcox Builders Ltd Piako Rural Services Ltd	Daltons Ltd Matamata Directional Drilling Wheelie Bin Services Matamata Chooky's Auto	J Swap Contractors Allen Cossill Car Painters Colchester Engineering Trackside Auto Services Matamata Club Matamata Timber and Hardware 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 Eileen and Greg Ward 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

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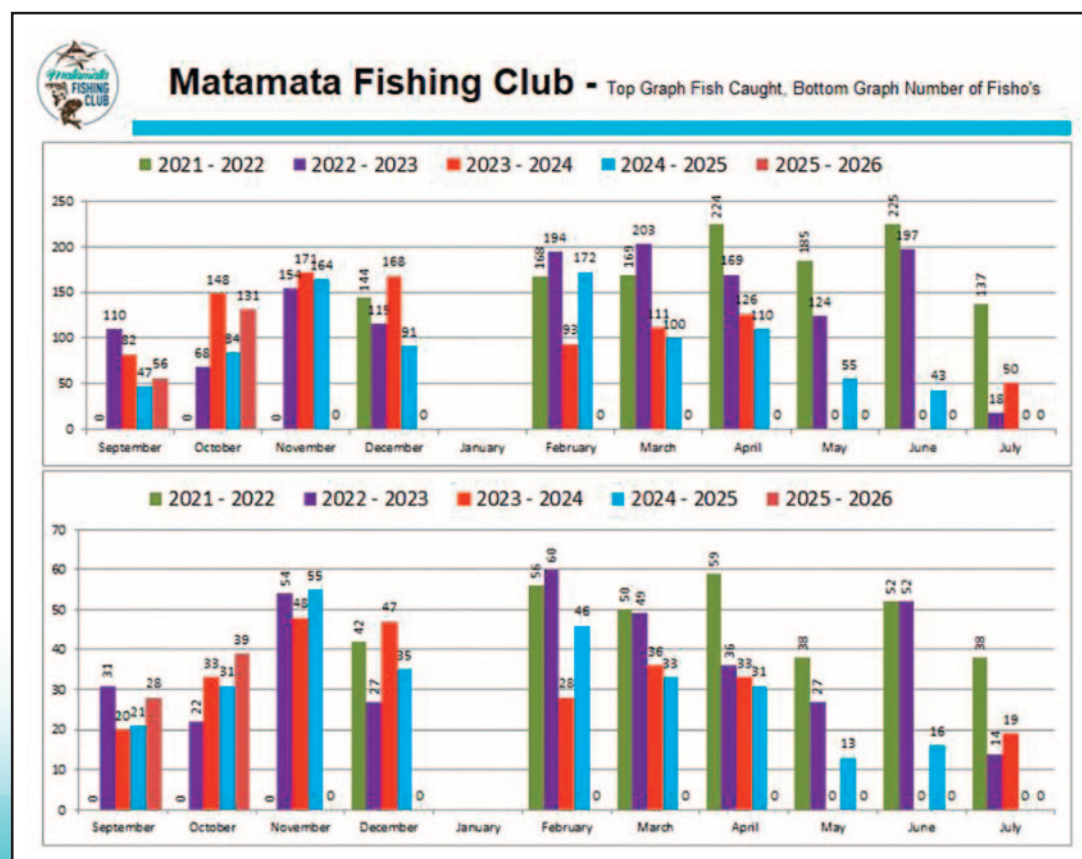
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Matamata Fishing Club - Fish Numbers Caught

	Sep-25	Oct-25	Nov-25	Dec-25	Feb-26	Mar-26	Apr-26	May-26	Jun-26	Jul-26	Grand Total
Snapper	25	75									100
Kahawai	1	6									7
Trout	20	23									43
Trevally	3	13									16
John Dory											0
Gurnard		2									2
Terakihi											0
RedSnapper											0
Hapuka											0
Billfish											0
Kingfish	1	5									6
BlueCod											0
Porae		1									1
Moki											0
Mackeral		2									2
Eel	6	4									10
Maomao											0
ReefFish											0
Bass											0
Barracouta											0
RedCod											0
Rays											0
Sharks											0
Skip Jacks											0
Albacore											0
Other											0
Fish Numbers Caught	56	131	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	187



**GOLDEN FLOW
SNAPPER
CHALLENGE
CURRENT LEADER –
Phil Stevens
6.280kg**

**NEW LUCKY
MEMBERS DRAW**
– all members will
be in the draw –
you have to be at
the Club to claim
it and if not
it jackpots

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

MEMBERSHIP CARD

Please make sure you have
your membership card with
you when weighing in fish!
(Your membership card will
be available from the weigh
station if you haven't
received one yet).
If asked for, this needs
to be presented to a
committee member.

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