



SCSFC Inc Event and Briefing Notice



Event Details	
Event Name:	Flathead Frenzy
Event Dates:	13th to 15th Oct 2023
Fishing Times:	12.01am 13th to 11.59pm 15th A post-competition BBQ will be held at Maroochy Lions Park in Fisherman's Rd on Sunday 15th at 3.30pm.
Event Boundaries	All Queensland waters.
Eligible species	All ANSA listed eligible flathead species.
Prizes and Categories:	Prize 1. Longest flathead. \$40 voucher Prize 2. Total combined length of two or one flathead. \$40 voucher Prize 3. \$20 voucher - Random draw for a flathead entered via ANSA Qld portal
Capture Submissions:	Please log all your captures on the ANSA Qld website by the 5th Nov All fish must be photographed on a suitable measuring device
Awarding of Prizes:	Results announced at November's members club meeting on the 14th
How to register for event:	Please register your participation on Facebook under the events section of the clubs group page.
Briefing Details	
Members are reminded that you are not under the direction or supervision of the SCSFC, and you are ultimately responsible for your own safety and the safety of others	
Briefing details Important items and recommendations Review all items before each event as the details change from event to event	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Know and understand The General Safety Obligation under Qld law (listed below) 2. All participants must be a current member of ANSA Qld (includes temporary memberships) 3. Be aware of your personal safety and the safety of others around you when handling fishing equipment and your catch 4. Carry at least two forms of communication with you 5. Carry and maintain a first aid kit, sufficient drinking water and sunscreen 6. Advise a third party of your plans and expected time of return 7. Brief any passengers on location of PFD's, operation of vessel and communication devices 8. Wear your PFD's and attach the motor safety lanyard. This is very important when fishing by yourself. 9. Use Coast Guard services and consider becoming a member. If you are intending to cross a coastal bar check with local Coast Guard or Voluntary Marine Rescue for the latest information 10. Maintain your vessel to the highest standards and carry all recommended safety equipment 11. Use a knotless net and a wet towel to handle fish. Review the club website for more information on fishing rules and fish handling practices www.sunshinecoastsportfishingclub.com.au 12. Perform pre trip inspections 13. Check the clubs Facebook group for any updates or messages 14. Members must be aware of their personal hygiene and food allergies. Do not participate in the preparation or consumption of food if you are unhealthy, or unsure. Discuss any concerns with the Activity Coordinator prior to participating.
Communication methods:	Check the Facebook message group for updates on activities. Members use Channel 72 Vhf marine radio for club chatter.
SIPS permit	Required if fishing within the impoundments as listed by Qld Dept of Fisheries
Other special Conditions:	No minimum or maximum size limits apply to this comp Minimize the impact on your captures that you are releasing. More information can be found in the Fishing Rules available from the club's website.

If you are aware of a non-member intending to participate in this event you must advise the Captain or any other Management Committee Member immediately as they will be required to take out ANSA Qld temporary membership

If it's not safe don't go out! No fish or prize is worth an accident or injury

General safety obligation

The *Transport Operations (Marine Safety) Act 1994* imposes a general safety obligation on all vessel owners and operators, masters and crew to operate vessels safely at all times. This responsibility includes making sure the ship is:

- safe
- properly equipped and maintained
- operated in a safe manner.

The general safety obligation prohibits a vessel from going to sea if it is not properly built and maintained, equipped, crewed and operated in line with its proposed operating environment.

Be a responsible skipper, before you head out on the water follow these simple tips:

- Check that your boat is in good condition.
- Check that you have all the required safety equipment on board. Ensure all safety equipment is in good condition and easily accessible, in case of an emergency. Make sure everybody on board knows where the safety equipment is stored.
- Report your trip. Let someone know where you are going, how many people are on board and when you intend to return.
- Have the right marine licence. Make sure you and your crew know how to handle the boat for where you are going.
- Know how to use your marine radio, which channels to use and when.
- Check the weather before you go out.
- Make sure you have enough water and fuel for the whole trip.
- Go easy on the drink—waves, wind and weather multiply the effects of alcohol. Far too many boating fatalities involve alcohol.
- Know the rules of the sea-road, and follow them.
- Lifejacket—wear it! If it's not on, it can't save you.