



BRIBIE ISLAND R.S.L. FISHING CLUB



NEW MEMBER JOINING INFORMATION FOR THE BRIBIE ISLAND RSL FISHING CLUB

Welcome

The Bribie Island RSL Fishing Club was established almost twenty-five years ago to promote a social and friendly atmosphere for members who are interested in fishing. Since that time the club has grown and developed each year through a well-organized committee which caters for the needs and wishes of the majority of members. Our website at www.bribierslfishingclub.com has a wide array of information and photographs which you may find interesting.

Membership

Membership of the club is open to any person who is a financial member of the Bribie Island RSL and Citizens Memorial Club and who wishes to pursue the Fishing Club's objectives.

Each person wishing to join the club, must complete and sign a membership application which is presented to the committee for approval.

The Bribie RSL Fishing Club committee will always try to cater for all people, however, there will be some instances where older or incapacitated members may find it difficult to participate in all club events and social outings because of their restricted ability or agility.

Membership Fees

The membership fees are not pro rata and are payable upon joining and in November each year prior to the annual general meeting. In the rare case that a person is not accepted as a member, the club will reimburse a full refund. For 2022, new membership is \$110.00 and continuing membership is \$100.00. On acceptance of membership, members will be issued with a name badge. At meetings and BBQs, the Club conducts a members' draw and a badge draw. To win the badge draw, the member whose name is drawn from the hat, must be wearing their issued name badge.

Termination of Membership

The management committee shall consider whether a member's membership shall be suspended or terminated, if a member: -

- is convicted of an indictable offence; or
- fails to comply with any of the provisions of the club rules; or
- has membership fees in arrears for a period of 1 months or more; or
- conducts himself or herself in a manner considered to be injurious or prejudicial to the character or interests of the club.
- The member concerned shall be given a full and fair opportunity of presenting the member's case and if the management committee resolves to terminate the membership it shall instruct the secretary to advise the member in writing accordingly.



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Committee Members for 2022

President	Keith Kable
Vice President	Richard Patterson
Secretary	Ray Rogers
Treasurer	Heatherbell Rogers
Asst Treasurer	Vic Herring
Weighmaster	Ron Winnett
Asst Weighmaster	John Davis
Catering Coordinator	Mike Phillips
Function Coordinator	Margaret Phillips
Merchandising	Sandra Casey
Webmaster	Alison Herring
Publicity	Frank Oostenbroek

Meetings

A general meeting of all members is held upstairs in the RSL ANZAC Room at 7:00pm on the second Monday of the month. This meeting is held to discuss the upcoming and future events. This is also the time where each member may make suggestions for future events or improvements to the club. The meeting normally lasts for about one hour and continues afterwards in the lounge downstairs for coffee or other drinks at the member's own cost. An annual general meeting for the election of the new committee for each year and any constitutional business is held on the Monday evening of the second week of January of the new year.

Fishing Competitions

The Fishing Club holds a monthly competition for inshore fishing and off shore fishing categories for ladies and gentlemen which commences at 6:00pm on the last Friday of each month and finishes at 6:00pm on the last Friday of the following month. General details regarding dates and specific species months are contained in the Calendar published for each year.

The Weigh master may also organize other land based or local fishing competitions throughout the year which normally finish with a presentation of the prizes and sausage sizzle.

Please note that all fishing competitions are conducted with a social and friendly atmosphere in mind and that although strict rules will be set for each competition, the emphasis will be on flexibility, fun and enjoyment.

For further information, please refer to the fishing rules.



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Eligibility for Fishing Competitions

Payment of the “Club Membership Fee” entitles each member to participate in the monthly competitions, accumulate annual points and attend the end of the month BBQ without further payment.

Monthly BBQ

A BBQ is normally held in the “TOC-H” on 36 Banya Street, Bongaree on the afternoon of the last Sunday of each month to present the prizes for the monthly fishing competition. Members who have paid their nomination fees for the monthly competition will be entitled to a free meal. The cost to all visitors is ten dollars per head.

Trips Away

Each year the committee organizes a number of outings which may span over a long weekend and although these are classed as fishing trips, they are designed to promote a friendly and social atmosphere where members are able to get to know the other members of the club. Dinner around a campfire or an outing to one of the restaurants in the area is very popular with all the members. Some of the trips in the past have been to Bjelke Petersen Dam, Somerset Dam, Tweed Heads, Rainbow Beach, Maroochydore and Caloundra. In all cases, the committee tries to cater for the majority although in some cases the older or incapacitated members may need to consider their situation as to whether or not they are able to participate.

Social Outings

The committee will from time to time organize a number of social outings to promote a closer bond and good will amongst the club members. Some of these events in the past have included dinner at local restaurants, a cruise up the Pumicestone Passage on the Ferryman, trips for dinner and a show at venues on the Sunshine or Gold Coast. The club may subsidize these outings to allow all the members to attend but the extent of the subsidy will depend on funds availability at the time.

Club Merchandise

The Club has a number of items such as Club shirts, caps, badges and other memorabilia for sale. The Merchandising Committee Member is the person to contact for these items.

Club Funds

The Bribie Island RSL Fishing Club earns a large majority of its income through raffles. The income earned through these raffles is crucial to the club’s existence, so it is of the utmost importance that each member plays an active part in supporting the club and its fund-raising activities. Raffles are held at almost all of our functions however, our primary fund raising comes from Bribie Island RSL Club approval for us to conduct our meat voucher and seafood voucher raffles each Thursday night of the months of May to January of each year. Members are rostered in that period to sell tickets and organise the raffle on the night. They are fun times. These Thursday evenings are also times when all members of the club can meet over dinner and get to know each other. The Club has a table booking for ten in the Botanic Restaurant, but to sit at this table, you must book prior to Wednesday 12:00 Noon with the member responsible. You are most welcome to sit on either of two tables provided you book through one of the organizing members.



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The Bribie Island RSL Club provides us with very considerable support throughout each year by allowing us to conduct the Thursday night raffles across 9 months of the year, use of the ANZAC room for our meetings at no cost, use of the auditorium for our end of year Trophy Night at no cost, and a voucher each month to the value of \$25 for our member draw on the monthly meeting night. Attendance at the Thursday night raffles for dinner and drinks is not only an opportunity for you to socialize and in some cases meet new people for the first time, but importantly it also demonstrates our support of the RSL Club. This is our way of saying thank you as a Club.

Eligibility to obtain subsidy for supported Club events

For members to obtain a financial subsidy when they participate in Club costs subsidized events, the member must meet the Bribie Island RSL Fishing Club's eligibility criteria. The criteria requires that prior to the subsidized event, the member must have attended at least 6 general meetings, attended 6 end of month BBQ presentations and participated in 2 raffle night rosters or a combination of 6 of the meetings/BBQs/Raffle rosters.

The Benefits of membership of the Bribie Island RSL Fishing Club

Many people come to Bribie Island to relax and enjoy the quiet lifestyle, but in many cases this life can become a bit too quiet. The Bribie Island RSL Fishing Club offers an opportunity for social interaction and enjoyment in a fishing environment for the whole family. **But - you get out of it what you put in.**

A copy of the Club Constitution is available on our web site <https://www.bribierslfishingclub.com/>

Welcome to our Club!