

Bay Of Islands Reel Ladies Fishing Tournament

13-14 February 2016

Summary of weekend:

Considering the weather forecast, we had a reasonable number of entries with 15 boats and 42 Anglers.

The weather on Saturday was lovely, the water blue and warm and we didn't have to go far to find the fish.

The First Billfish was caught by Lesley Curtis on Coda with a lovely Striped Marlin. The next Marlin was caught by Trish Brookes on the boat Team JD.

Rachel Lowe on the boat Lady Jane caught the heaviest Mahi Mahi that day weighing in at 15.7kg, setting a new line class record for the club. The Cater Marine team on Gemini's Five also caught 2 lovely Mahi Mahi, the biggest weighing in at 12.5kg. We didn't weigh it in at the club as Rachel's fish had already been weighed, but what a great fish!

Sunday brought wind!! 25 knots and very unpleasant. The smaller boats made a great effort to get out but just fished in the safety of the Bay.

The bigger boats battled the conditions with 6 Striped Marlin being caught before 11am.

We also had a Mako Shark Tagged and released by Gemini's Five, Caprice Bradley, a Bronze Whaler shark by Rachel Lowe on Lady Jane, and Yellowfin Tuna by Andrea Reed on Lady Lola, and also Kerri Laurie on Absolute.

Best team uniform was taken out by Team Target, and the best Poem by Donna Smith on Target.

We had a Hawaiian theme this year (for the first time) and everyone really got into it!

What Fun.

Check out the photos on Facebook and the Swordfish Club website.

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