

KWAZULU NATAL COAST ANGLERS' UNION

COMPETITION RULES [Amended as at 11-12-2016]

These Rules (No's. 1-58, 86 and 87), which shall only apply to Competitive Member Clubs, are:

1. Before the November Executive Committee Meeting of each year, every Member Club shall notify the Honorary Competition Secretary of the Union, in writing, of the competitions in which it desires to participate during the forthcoming Union year.
2. All trophies, cups, medals, pendants and other prizes hereinafter collectively referred to as "trophies" which have been or may be presented, shall become the property of the Union and shall be competed for upon such conditions as may from time to time be resolved by General Meetings or by the Executive Committee.
3. Subject to the provisions of Rule 28, all trophies are open for competition between all Member Clubs of the Union.
4. All floating trophies shall be held until the next Annual Meet by the Club represented by the winning team or of which the winner is a member. The safe keeping and prompt return of such trophies in good sound condition shall be the responsibility of the Club represented by the winning team or of which the winner is a member.
5. Inter-Club competitions shall be fished on the basis of eight rounds of postal competitions per year, at the discretion of the Committee.
6. Unless otherwise stated:
 - (a) Each round of each competition shall be fished during one unbroken period of not exceeding eight hours between the hours of **18h00 Friday and midnight Sunday**.
 - (b) Each team shall fix its own period.
 - (c) Every member of a Club travelling with the team, and under the control of the captain, shall fish within the distance of ten nautical miles provided for in the next rule.
 - (d) Standard time of automatic GSM time (available on Cell Phones) be used as a synchronized time for Competitions.
7. Before the start of any competition, each Club shall fix upon two points not more than ten nautical miles apart, and all members of the team, and members travelling with the team and under the control of the captain, must fish between such points. Any dispute as to distance shall be settled by reference to the Admiralty chart measured on the chart "as the crow flies."
8. A team shall consist of not more than eight members who must be nominated by the team captain prior to commencement of the competition.
9.
 - (a) No member of a team or any person travelling with the team shall fish in the Union's waters for at least **3 hours** before the competition starts.
 - (b) No Club may change the time of commencement of any competition if any member of the Club's team has commenced fishing at the original appointed time, notwithstanding that the decision to change the time of commencement was made prior to the original appointed time.
 - (c) Club Colours be worn only when fishing the actual competition time during Postal Rounds
 - (d) SASAA numbers of each angler must be clearly visible, legibly written and prominently displayed on either his bait box, or his tackle box, but preferably on both.
10. Only members in good standing in the Union and in their respective Clubs shall be eligible to take part in any competition or to claim or receive any trophy.
11. No new member may fish for any Member Club in any Inter-Club event until such member shall have been registered for a period of seven days before the date of such competition.
12. A Club recording no catch shall score nothing.
13. No fishing except with a rod and reel shall be allowed in any competition and only one rod, reel and line may be used by any member at any one time.
14. No artificial support for the rod other than a rod bucket shall be used during play, and the competitor shall have no assistance whatever in baiting hooks, casting, hooking, playing or unhooking fish except that one other person may handle the trace only to assist in gaffing the fish. No more than one treble or two single hooks may be used in any type of bait whether it be trolled, live bait, or used on the ground, provided not more than three barbs are used at any one time, and provided further that no more than 2 baits may be used at any one time. In the case of an artificial lure no more than two trebles or one treble and one single or three single hooks, may be fitted to the lure and no more than one lure may be used at any one time. All slide clip devices [return and non return] be banned in all Common Venue Competitions. It shall disqualify a member's fish if such member hands the rod to any other person after hooking the fish before it is landed. No harpoon or spear shall be used. All specie of Mackerel and Maasbanker may not be used as live bait during Postal & Common Venue Competitions. Live fish bait may only be caught during Competition hours.
15. The use of a harness or any departure from Rule 14 may be permitted in the case of a member suffering a disability. Applications for this privilege shall be made to the Executive Committee through the member's Club and supported by a certificate setting out the nature of such disability and signed by the Chairman and Secretary of the Club. Each case shall be treated on its merits.
16. There shall be no restrictions on the diameter of mono-filament line, the breaking strain of braided line, or the diameter of any shock leader use. The trace shall not be longer than 9 meters when measured from the eye of the hook to the start of the main line. No wire line will be permitted save and except there shall be no restriction on the class, type or breaking strain of the trace.
17. In the event of two persons at one time hooking or playing the same fish, it shall not be counted in any competition.
18. All surf competitions shall be fished between the border of KwaZulu Natal and Mocambique in the north and the Bashee River in the south, off the seashore, rocks or piers into the open sea, below high water-mark on spring tides, along the shore and in a direct line across any river mouth. No fishing shall be allowed in any competition on the inner sides of the Durban piers west of a line drawn from the end of the parapet at the beginning of the South Pier and the Perla Siedle Memorial on the North Pier. **Richards Bay Harbour** - That angling only be permitted on the seaward side of an imaginary line drawn from the south corner at the end of the "short dollos" pier to a point on the south breakwater, such that this point is in line with the high water mark on the south side of the south breakwater. The beach between the "short dollos" pier and the "long dollos" pier is included for angling, as well as the "long dollos" pier. The Area Light House to First Rocks be restricted to two rounds of the Postal Competition per year. (To be review after a year)
19. No fishing from any boat or craft shall be allowed in any surf competitions.
20. The use of boats, paddle-ski's, kites, ballons or bungs and/or corks exceeding 64 cubic centimetres is prohibited. (e.g. 40 mm x 40 mm x 40 mm)
21. Edible fish shall mean all fish except tobies, sharks, rays, skates, sawfish, and sandsharks.

22. (a) No fish under 25cm, or if the calculated measured weight is less than 1,0kg for edible fish and 2.0kg for inedible fish shall be eligible in any competition.
- (b) Where weight to Measurement Tables read to two decimal places to be rounded up or down as follows:-
 1.05 Weight Points to be rounded up to 1.1Weight Points
 1.04 Weight Points to be rounded down to 1.0 Weight Points.(c) Deleted
- (d) Deleted
- (e) Deleted
- (f) Deleted
- (g) NO gaffing of Butterfly Rays (Diamonds) between the areas from Tugela River Mouth to the Richards Bay Harbour Mouth. If gaffed, NIL points
- (h) In all competitions fish must be measured as follows:-
 Inedible fish – Over the top of the fish
 Edible fish – measured over the side of fish.
Note for record claims measurement still needs to be done in the "straight Line" method (two pegs/marks be used to mark the length of the fish, the fish be removed, and a straight line measurement be taken where possible).
- (i) All fish caught shall be witnessed. Witnessing of fish and the measurement thereof should be, wherever possible, by a member of an opposing team. However, should circumstances prevent this, any member of the Union may witness fish to void the unnecessary killing of any unwanted or undersized fish. Weigh Cards be signed off before the angler casts again.
23. All species of fish shall be eligible for competitions unless otherwise specified and/or provided for. No account, however, shall be taken of any fish caught in any competition, where such catching is in contravention of the Coastal Fishing Regulations published on the 1st of August, 1985 under Provincial Notice number 274, or any amendment thereof, unless compliance with such regulations has been lawfully suspended for that particular competition.
24. (a) No account whatever shall be taken of eels caught in any competitions.
 (b) All inedible fish shall be returned unharmed and alive to the water, or if killed, removed by the angler from the beach or rocks concerned and not returned to the water.
25. The term "weekend" shall mean the period between 18h00 on Friday and midnight on Sunday.
26. In the event of two more Clubs or anglers having the same aggregate weight points or number of points in any competition, the one with the least number of fish shall be the winner, and in the event of a tie in respect of both aggregate weight points and number of fish, such Clubs or anglers so tying shall be the joint winners, except where in the event of such a tie in respect of a trophy to be won outright, there shall be a re-fish by all competitors so tying. In the event of any round of a knock-out competition being undetermined by reason of opposing Clubs recording no catch, both Clubs shall be automatically knocked out of the competition.
27. The Honorary Secretary or any Official of each Club taking part in any inter-Club competition shall send to the Honorary Competition Secretary of the Union a true and correct return of the catch made by his Club and/or any member thereof, specifying the species and weight to the nearest 0,1 of a kilogram of each fish captured in such competition. Such returns shall be in the hands of the Honorary Competition Secretary of the Union by noon on the Tuesday following the competition. All late returns shall be disqualified unless specially condoned by resolution of the Executive Committee.
28. Complaints/Protests. Should a Club wish to lodge a Complaint/Protest against another Affiliated Club/member of the Union a Complaint/Protest document must be completed and lodged with the Union which must be accompanied by a R200.00 deposit. Should the Complaint/Protest prove to be valid the deposit will be refunded. However, should the Complaint/Protest be unsubstantial, the deposit will be forfeited.

ANNUAL MEETS

28. There shall be held annually two "Annual Meets," the one for Postal competitions, which shall be termed the "Nicholas Cup Annual Meet" and the other for Common Venue competitions and termed the "Common Venue Annual Meet." Only the first 50 Clubs in the League Cup competition shall qualify for the Nicholas Cup Annual Meet. The position shall be decided after the eight monthly rounds have been concluded. All Clubs shall be entitled to fish at the Common Venue Annual Meet.
 - (a) Any member Club qualifying to compete at the Nicholas Cup Annual Meet in terms of Rule 28 and not wishing to compete shall notify the Competition Secretary at least 31 days before the Annual Meet in question, and the next Club in the League shall be entitled to compete at the Annual Meet.
29. At the Nicholas Cup Annual Meet there shall be held The Nicholas Cup competition, the Umgeni Cup competition, the final rounds for the League Cup, the Dunsterville Shield, Challenge Cup, Challenge Shield, McNab Cup, Allan Logan Shield, the Aggregate Cup and Memorial Cup, the Arthur Millar Challenge Cup, York Street Flax Mills Cup, the J.F. King Cup, the Kingfisher Prizes, the Don Currie Cup, the Dalsports Bowl, the Sid Turner Memorial Trophy and sealed weight competitions, and such other trophies as may from time to time be decided by the General Meeting or by the Executive Committee.
30. At the Common Venue Annual Meet there shall be held the Aroo Naicker Cup competition, the RAS Fasteners Cup competition, the Crossmoor Carriers Cup competition, the final rounds for the Tool Trade Cup, the T. Soobens Cup, the Combined Trading Cup, the Royal Cartage Cup and the Great Western Cooler Trophy, the A. R. Rammiths Memorial Cup, the Kingfisher Prizes, the Y. Syed Cup, the Kay Singh Cup, the Chinappa Naicker Cup, the Feroz Family Cup, the Siab Family Cup, the Regal Spares Cup, the Ellery Loga Cup and the sealed weight competitions, and such other trophies as may from time to time be decided by General Meeting or by the Executive Committee.
31. At each Annual Meet there shall be presented to the winners thereof all trophies won at such Meet and/or subsequent to the last Nicholas Cup or Common Venue Annual Meet, as the case may be.
32. The Executive Committee or such members thereof as may be present shall be in charge of all matters at Annual Meets.
33. The Executive Committee may fix the date and place for the competition, also the hours and boundaries. An alternate boundary be set for the Common Venue Annual meetings. The two boundaries to overlap one another.
34. The Executive Committee shall fix the time by which Catch Returns must be handed in to the Competition Secretary. When it has been reported that a fish hooked during competition hours has been landed after time the Designated Official shall grant an extension of time for the handing in of the weight card.
35. Should a competitor be unable to weigh-in before time, the Committee shall have the power to grant an extension, and if after investigation, the Committee is satisfied that the catch was legitimately made, they shall authorise the Designated Official accept the Weight Card and record the same.
36. Any fish caught and required for bait may be measured for weigh and certified by a member of the Union.
 - (a) All inedible fish caught at Annual Meets may be measured on the beach and returned immediately to the water provided that the calculated weight of any such fish shall be certified in writing by a member of the Union.
 - (b) No Club shall be permitted the use of non team members to assist in its efforts during competition hours at Annual Meets.
 - (c) No undersized fish shall be eligible for recording at an Annual Meet unless upon being caught, it is measured and returned immediately to the water and the weight of such fish is certified in writing by a member of another team. Undersized fish brought to the weigh-in shall be disqualified.
 - (d) With effect from the 1st January 1988, in all competitions fished pursuant to rules 37 to 56 (k) hereunder, unless otherwise indicated, points shall be awarded to fish caught as follows:
 - One point per kilogram of Inedible fish or a fraction thereof (i.e. 1,2 kgs equals 1,2 points).
 - Two points per kilogram of Edible fish or a fraction thereof (i.e. 0,7 kilograms equals 1,4 points).
 - (e) No member of any Club participating in an Annual Meet shall fish within the Competition Area of the Annual Meet at any time within 48 hours prior to the commencement of the Annual Meet. A member shall be excused for a breach of this Rule, if she/he can show, to the satisfaction of the Executive Committee, that she/he had no intention of gaining any advantage for her/his Club.
37. **THE NICHOLAS CUP** is open for competition between all member Clubs, each represented by a team, and shall be competed for annually at the Nicholas Cup Annual Meet. The winner shall be the Club whose catch totals the highest number of points.
38. **THE CHALLENGE CUP** shall be fished for under the following conditions:
 - (a) The member Clubs shall be divided into three sections, each as nearly equal in number to the other as possible, termed A, B, C respectively. At the commencement of each year, allocations to the respective section shall be made according to each Club's number of points for the four rounds in this competition held in the year immediately preceding. Those Clubs having scored the highest number of points in each year shall be allocated to the A section in the order of the number of their points until the A section is complete. Allocation to the remaining sections shall be continued in the same manner according to the number of each Club's number of points, until all sections have been completed as defined above. In those cases of newly affiliated Clubs which did not compete in the previous year, allocation shall be made in the first instance wherever necessary to equalise the number in the sections, and thereafter to the C section in respect of the first year only.
 - (b) Each section shall fish four qualifying rounds on dates fixed under the provisions of Rule 5.
 - (c) The Clubs with the highest, second, third and fourth highest points in each section shall qualify for the fifth and final round which shall be held at and in conjunction with the Nicholas Cup Annual Meet.
 - (d) The Club with the highest number of points in the final round shall be the winner.
39. **THE CHALLENGE SHIELD COMPETITION: The member Clubs shall be divided into three sections and allocations shall be made in all respects under the same conditions and according to the same rules as apply to the Challenge Cup. The Challenge Shield Competition shall otherwise be decided on the League points system for the qualifying rounds and the final on the highest number of points in the final round.**
40. (i) **THE LEAGUE CUP** shall be decided on the league points over the eight monthly rounds and the final at the Nicholas Cup Annual Meet.
 - (a) The possible number of League points shall be the number of member Clubs at the date of the first round in each year and for every Club becoming a member Club after the first round, a further League point shall be added, the scoring of League points being as follows:
 - (b) The Club with the highest number of points in each round shall score the possible, the Club next in respective points shall score one League point less than the next preceding Club. For example, possible League points six - first Club six League points, second Club five League points, and so on.

- (c) In the event of a tie in points in any round, that Club catching the least number of fish shall take precedence over the other Club or Clubs in the tie. In the event of both points and number of fish being equal, League points shall be divided, (for example, two Clubs tie for first place, they shall divide eleven League points: three Clubs tying for second place, shall divide twelve League points, five, four and three between them, and shall score four League points each)
- (d) In the event of two or more Clubs tying in the total aggregate of League points for the year, the Club with the highest number of weight points for the year shall be the winner.
- (e) **LEAGUE CUP COMPETITION:** Eight spoons suitably engraved shall be presented at the Annual Meet to the winning Club.
- (ii) **THE AGGREGATE CUP:** Presented by Mr Louwrens, shall be awarded annually to the Club returning the highest number of points for fish caught in the qualifying rounds of the Challenge Cup, Challenge Shield and Nicholas Cup Annual Meet.
- (iii) **THE DUNSTERVILLE SHIELD:** Presented by the Dunsterville family, shall be open for competition between all member Clubs under the same rules as apply to the League Cup, and shall be awarded to the Club whose team obtains the next highest number of League points to that of the Club which wins the League Cup.
41. **THE McNAB CUP** shall be fished on the knockout system on a points basis, the preliminary rounds to be fished in conjunction with the first, second, third and fourth rounds of the Challenge Cup, and the final round shall be held at the Nicholas Cup Annual Meet.
42. **THE ALLAN LOGAN SHIELD** shall be fished under the same conditions as the McNab Cup, but shall coincided with the first, second, third and fourth rounds of the Challenge Shield. The final shall be held at the Nicholas Cup Annual Meet.
43. **THE MEMORIAL CUP** shall be competed for by Clubs over the eight monthly rounds with the final at the Nicholas Cup Annual Meet. The Club with the greatest number of fish shall be the winner. In the event of a tie, the Club in the tie having the highest number of weight points shall be the winner.
44. **THE ARTHUR MILLAR CHALLENGE CUP** shall be open for competition to any member competing for the Nicholas Cup. The winner shall be the member whose catch totals the highest number of points in the Nicholas Cup Competition in each year.
45. **THE YORK STREET FLAX MILLS CUP** shall be open for competition to any member competing for the Nicholas Cup. The member catching the greatest number of fish in the Nicholas Cup competition shall be the winner. In the event of a tie, the member whose catch totals the highest number of weight points shall be the winner. In the event of a tie in respect of both number of fish and of points, the winner shall be the member catching the heaviest individual fish.
- (a) **THE J.F. KING CUP** shall be open for Competition to any member competing for the Nicholas Cup. The member catching the heaviest fish shall be the winner.
46. **THE S.A.R. CUP** shall be won by the member catching the heaviest fish under Union rules during the year. The year commences on the 1st October.
- (a) **THE UMGENI CUP:** Presented by Mr L.H. Challenor, shall be open for competition between all member Clubs under the same conditions and governed by the same rules as apply to the Nicholas Cup, and shall be awarded to the Club whose team returns the next highest total number of points to that of the Club which wins the Nicholas Cup.
47. **THE MERCURY MEDAL** shall be won by the member catching the heaviest edible fish under Union rules during the year. The year commences on the 1st October.
48. **THE FRANK LOGAN MEMORIAL COMPETITION** shall be open to all members of Member Clubs, and shall be awarded to the angler catching edible fish with the greatest aggregate number of points edible fish during the first eight rounds of the Postal Inter-Club Competition. All anglers competing must fish the same hours and within the same boundaries as the Club's Team. Club Secretaries shall submit claims to the Hon. competition Secretary of the Union within 7 days of the date of the Eighth Inter-Club Round.
- (a) **THE DON CURRIE CUP** (Presented by Mr Donald R Currie) shall be won by the Club catching the greatest number of fish at the Nicholas Cup Annual Meet. In the event of a tie, the rules applicable to the York Street Flax Mills Cup shall apply.
- (b) **THE N.C.A.A. DIAMOND JUBILEE TROPHY** (Presented by the Natal Coast Anglers' Association) shall be won by the member catching the heaviest Sandshark under Union rules during the year. The year commences on the 1st October.
- (c) **THE DALSPORTS BOWL** (Presented by Messrs A. Upton and D. Vinnicombe) shall be won by the member catching the heaviest edible fish at the Nicholas Cup Annual Meet.
- (d) **THE SID TURNER MEMORIAL TROPHY** (Presented by Mrs S.G. Turner) shall be open for competition to any member competing at the Nicholas Cup annual Meet, and shall be awarded to the member catching the heaviest inedible fish in competition hours at the Meet.
- (e) **THE JOE BOWER MEMORIAL TROPHY** (Presented by Mr J. Bower) shall be awarded to the team catching the highest number of points in any one round of the Postal Competition.
- (f) **THE UVONGO 50th ANNIVERSARY TROPHY** (Presented by the Uvongo Angling Club) shall be awarded annually to the Club catching the highest average points per fish over the first EIGHT rounds of the Postal Inter-Club competitions, provided that a Club shall have caught a minimum of 50 fish during the eight rounds to qualify for the competition.
- (g) **THE ALBY UPTON MEMORIAL TROPHY (Presented by Mrs June Claassen) shall be awarded annually to the Natal Shore Angling Team angler gaining the most weight points at the National Inter-Provincial Championships.**
- (h) **THE RONNIE McDONALD MEMORIAL TROPHY** (presented by Mrs Joy McDonald) shall be awarded annually to the angler catching the heaviest fish using a swim bait. The minimum qualifying weight shall be 75 kg.
- (i) **THE BRUCE CANNON MEMORIAL TROPHY** (presented by the Umgeni Angling Club) shall be awarded annually to the angler achieving the highest number of league points during the first eight rounds of Postal Inter-Club Competitions. An angler's league points shall be determined in the same manner as that of a Club Competing in the League Cup as set out in rule 40(I), save and except that the possible league points is 100.
- (j) **THE DENNIS CROOKES TROPHY** (presented by Mr D.V. Crookes) shall be awarded annually to the angler achieving the highest number of weight points during the first eight rounds of Postal Inter-Club Competitions.

LIGHT TACKLE COMPETITIONS

No formal Light Tackle Competitions are administered by the Union. However, for the purposes of Pendant and Record claims the following apply. Rules 13 to 23 pertaining to Postal competitions, with the exception of Rule 16 are applicable. Rule 16 is replaced by Rule 50 as below.

49. Deleted.
50. The tackle used shall consist entirely of round monofilament nylon with a diameter not exceeding 0.40mm, save that a trace not exceeding 3 metres in length, measured from the eye of the hook to the main line, may be used.

51 & 52.Deleted.

RULES GOVERNING LIGHT TACKLE TROPHIES

The rules pertaining to the award of Light Tackle trophies are no longer applicable. Rules 53 to 55 and Rule 56 (a) to (l), have been deleted.

56. (m) **THE ROTARY FELLOWSHIP CUP** (Presented by the Durban Rotary Club) shall be awarded annually to the top Club on a points basis combining Aggregate Weight, Number of Fish caught and Rank or League Points, in both the Common Venue and Postal Competitions.
- (n) **THE TONY THORPE PRIZE** shall be awarded to the member catching the heaviest edible fish on Light Tackle under Union Rules during the year. The year commences on the 1st September. The nature of the prize shall be as determined from time to time by the Executive Committee.

RULES GOVERNING PENDANT CLAIMS

57. Union Pendants in the shape of a fish shall be awarded monthly, if claimed, for both heavy and light tackle, for the heaviest edible and heaviest inedible fish caught by any member of any member Club; provided that the tackle complies with the specifications laid down in the competition rules and provided further that no single fish may qualify for both a Heavy and a Light Tackle pendant, provided that fish claimed for the Light Tackle pendant and being unsuccessful, will automatically be considered for the Heavy Tackle pendant. The actual weight of a fish falling into categories (B) or (D) hereunder shall be increased by two thirds thereof, and the fish in each section having the heaviest weight, adjusted (if applicable) as aforesaid, shall qualify for the pendant. Weights in kilograms of fish eligible for pendant claims shall be:-

		Light Tackle	Heavy Tackle
MINIMUM'S	No fish weighing less than these MINIMUMS may be claimed ➤ ➤	12 kg	15 kg
Category A	Diamond Skates, Sawfish and Ragged Tooth Sharks	25 kg	45 kg
Category B	Other Skates, Rays and Sharks	20 kg	25 kg
Category C	Kob	18 kg	27 kg
Category D	King Mackerel, Garrick, Kingfish and Musselcracker	12 kg	18 kg

58. A member claiming a pendant shall send in to the Honorary Secretary of each Club of which he is a member within seven days of capture, a document duly executed by himself setting out the species and weight of the fish and the date of capture. There shall further be endorsed on such document a certificate by some reputable person that he saw the fish weighed and that the weight given was correct. The said document shall be forwarded by the Honorary Secretary of the applicant's Club or Clubs to the Honorary Competition Secretary of the Union with a statement as to whether or not such applicant is in good standing in his Club or Clubs, and must be in the hands of the Honorary Competition Secretary of the Union within fourteen days of capture.
- (a) The tackle on which fish are caught in respect of which Light Tackle Pendant claims are made must comply with the requirements under Rule 50. All such claims shall be accompanied by a sample (not less than 3 metres) of the line used.

RULES GOVERNING RECORD CLAIMS

59. The tackle used shall comply with the requirements under Rule 16 or Rule 50 where applicable.
60. The use of any float or kite is prohibited other than a small balloon, bladder or cork, which may be attached to the line or leader for the sole purpose of regulating the depth of the bait or for drifting of the bait.
- (a) The provisions of Rule 18 shall not apply to Record Claims.
61. Weights of record fish caught in accordance with the Competition Rules shall be kept and separate records shall be kept in respect of fish caught on Heavy and Light Tackle as defined, and fish caught by Junior members.
62. (a) Each and every application for the catch of a record fish, must be accompanied by clear and positive evidence of its species including photographs, to enable positive identification of the fish to be made.
- (b) No application for record weights of fish shall be considered and/or captured unless in each and every case the fish for which such record weight is claimed shall be identified scientifically as defined in "Sea Fishes of Southern Africa" edited by Professor J.L.B. Smith, or from such other authoritative source which shall be named by the applicant of the said claim or claims, and which shall be easily and readily accessible for purposes of checking the identification so made.
- (c) The tackle on which fish are caught in respect of which Light Tackle record claims are made must comply with the requirements under Rule 50. All such claims be accompanied by a sample (not less than 3 metres) of the line used.
- (d) No record certificate shall be issued in respect of any fish under 0,5 kilogram.
- (e) The weighing of fish for record purposes shall only be done using a NCAU Certified scale or a scale assized or checked by a SABS approved scale testing organisation.

63 - 85 RULES GOVERNING CASTING COMPETITIONS **JUNIOR COMPETITIONS**

Anglers are classified as Juniors up to and including the competition year in which they turn 18 years of age.

86. For Junior competitions there shall be awarded during the year the following trophies:-
- (a) **The Junior Aggregate Cup** shall be presented to the Junior catching the heaviest weight of fish during the year. Only fish caught during official school holidays shall be eligible.

- (b) **The Alex Skene Memorial Trophy** (Presented by Mr Tommy Skene) shall be awarded to the Junior catching the heaviest fish at any time during the year.
- (c) **The Sykes Shield** (Presented by Mr T. Sykes) shall be competed for by the Junior teams (consisting of not more than three junior members per team) of member Clubs over the eight monthly Postal rounds and shall be on the same basis as the League Cup, save that there shall be no final at the Nicholas Cup Annual Meet.
- (d) **The Darnall Angling Club Prize** shall be awarded to the junior angler whose catch totals the highest number of points in the Sykes Shield competition in each year. The nature of the prize shall be as determined from time to time by the Executive Committee.

GENERAL

- 87. The use of two-way radios and other forms of electronic communication by members participating in Competitions, including Annual Meets, is permitted.
- 88. No member of any Club participating in an Annual Meet shall fish within the Competition Area of the Annual Meet at any time within 48 hours prior to the commencement of the Annual Meet. A member shall be excused for a breach of this Rule, if s/he can show, to the satisfaction of the Executive Committee, that s/he had no intention of gaining any advantage for her/his Club.
- 89. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in these rules, a club shall be entitled to field more than one team in common venue competitions.

COMMON VENUE COMPETITIONS

- C1. The KwaZulu-Natal coast shall be divided into a number of geographical zones. Each Zone shall be divided into angling venues. The number of angling venues within each Zone shall be determined by the number of Competition rounds. The Boundaries of Zones and angling Venues within Zones shall be determined on an annual basis by the Competition Secretary with the approval of the Executive Committee. The designated Venues corresponding to each competition date shall be set by the Competition Secretary.
- C2. Before the November Executive Committee Meeting of each year member Club competing in the Common Venue Competitions shall notify the Competition Secretary in writing of it's choice of Zone.
- C3. The Competition times shall be from 15h00 to 20h00 on the Saturday of the Competition weekend.
- C4. Alternate Venues may be chosen if, due to adverse conditions, the designated Venue is unsuitable in the opinion of the participating Clubs. However, the decision to switch to switch to an alternate Venue shall only be by majority vote of the participating Clubs, represented by their Team Captains, otherwise the designated Venue shall be fished. The Zone Coordinator to confirm no overlap before boundary change.
- C5. Team Captains of Clubs competing in each Zone shall meet at the designated meeting place one hour before the commencement of the competition (i.e. 14h00), to confirm their teams in writing and make a final decision on the venue to be fished. The appointed Zone Captain, appointed by the Competition Secretary, shall collect the team lists. The meeting place of teams after the competition shall also be confirmed at this meeting.
- C6. At the post competition meeting, team returns shall be completed by Team Captains and countersign by at least one other Team Captain. The returns shall then be handed to the appointed Zone captain, whose responsibility it is to ensure that all returns are forwarded timeously to the Competition Secretary.
- C7. All fish caught shall be witnessed. Witnessing of fish and the measurement thereof should be by a member of an opposing team. The Weigh Cards to be signed off before the angler casts again.
Use of Common Bait, only frozen bait may be used, comprising of no more than the following may be used:-
Slimy Mackerel/Sugar Mackerel/Maasbanker
Red Eye Sardine
Sardine (Pilchard)
Choka (**Minimum size of 200mm, eye to tail point**)
Bonito/Sarda/Orientalis/yellow Tail
Pink and Red Prawns
Mullet
- C8. The following Competitions shall be fished during Common Venue rounds:-
 - (a) **ZONE LEAGUE.** Clubs competing in a zone shall participate in a league competition decided on points awarded over the six rounds on the same basis as the league Cup. Refer to Rule number 40 (i) a to d. At the completion of the year's rounds, the two Clubs scoring the highest number of accumulated league points in each Zone shall qualify to compete in the final of the ZONE LEAGUE. At the Annual Meet, the TOOL TRADE CUP and the T. SOOBENS CUP shall be awarded to the winners and runners up of the Finals, respectively.
 - (b) **ZONE WEIGHT POINTS AGGREGATE.** Within each Zone, each Club's weight points shall be accumulated. After the completion of the year's rounds, the top two Clubs on aggregate in each Zone shall qualify to compete in the final. At the Annual Meet, the COMBINED TRADING CUP shall be awarded to the winners of the final.
 - (c) **ZONE NUMBER of FISH AGGREGATE.** Within each Zone, each Club's number of fish shall be accumulated. After the completion of the year's rounds, the two Clubs with the highest number of fish in each Zone shall qualify to compete in the Final. At the Annual Meet, the ROYAL CARTAGE CUP shall be awarded to the winners of the final.
 - (d) **THE GREAT WESTERN COOLER TROPHY.** This knockout competition, based on weight points, shall be fished over the ODD rounds during the year within each Zone. The winners from each Zone shall compete in the final to be fished on the Saturday at the Annual Meet.
 - (f) **THE A. R. RAMMITHS MEMORIAL CUP.** This knockout competition, based on weight points, shall be fished over the EVEN rounds during the year within each Zone. The winners from each Zone shall compete in the final to be fished on the Sunday at the Annual Meet.
- C9. At the **COMMON VENUE ANNUAL MEET** the following additional trophies shall be competed for:-
 - (a) **THE AROO NAICKER CUP** is open for competition between all member Clubs. The winner shall be the Club whose catch totals the highest number of weight points.
 - (b) **THE RAS FASTENERS CUP** is open for competition between all member Clubs, and shall be awarded to the Club whose catch totals the second highest number of weight points.
 - (c) **THE CROSSMOOR CARRIERS CUP** is open for competition between all member Clubs, and shall be awarded to the Club catching the most number of fish.
 - (d) **THE Y. SYED CUP** is open for competition between all members competing at the Annual Meet. The winner shall be the member whose catch totals the highest number of weight points at the Annual Meet.
 - (e) **THE KAY SINGH CUP** is open for competition between all members competing at the Annual Meet. The winner shall be the member catching the most number of fish at the Annual Meet.
 - (f) **THE CHINAPPA NAICKER CUP** is open for competition between all members competing at the Annual Meet. The member catching the heaviest inedible fish shall be the winner.

- (g) **THE FERROZ FAMILY CUP** is open for competition between all members competing at the Annual Meet. The member catching the heaviest edible fish shall be the winner.
- (h) **THE SIAB FAMILY CUP** Within each Zone, each member's rank points shall be accumulated. After the completion of the year's rounds, the two members with the highest number of rank points in each Zone shall qualify to compete in the Final.
At the Annual Meet, the **SIAB FAMILY CUP** shall be awarded to the winner of the final.
- (i) **THE REGAL SPARES CUP** shall be awarded to the member catching the heaviest edible fish during common venue rounds including the Annual Meet.
- (j) **THE ELLERY LOGA CUP** shall be awarded to the member catching the heaviest inedible fish during common venue rounds including the Annual Meet.