



# The Cairns Spearos

## 35:6 Running Competition

### FY23 Running Sheet and Rules

#### About

- There are 35 fish species that are valid to enter the completion, your best scoring 6 of which go towards your total score.
- The scoring sheet will be automatically updated and accumulates your six highest scoring fish. This can be accessed on the cairns spearos website (Link below).
  - <https://www.cairnsspearos.com.au/>
- Each species has a score multiplier, which is derived from the fish's average length vs. its relative difficulty to shoot. This score multiplier is designed to level the species playing field (Figure 1 below).

#### Competition Rules

1. All fish must be shot within the Queensland state border.
2. All fish must be speared in accordance with Queensland state spearfishing regulations (link below).
  - <https://www.qld.gov.au/recreation/activities/boating-fishing/rec-fishing/rules>
3. Only fish on the list of 35 species are qualified to be entered (Figure 1 below).
4. Should you subsequently catch a larger fish upgrading of specific species is allowed. There is no limit to the number of upgrades (e.g. If you shoot and enter a 115cm Spanish Mackerel, you can upgrade it if you were to shoot a bigger example during the year).
5. The organiser's decision on all matters are final.
6. All entries must have a photo included and must:
  - a) clearly show brag mat and measurement of the fish;
  - b) have the entire fish in the photo;
  - c) specify species, length and name of spearfisher (gutted fish is acceptable, but throat must be intact, otherwise it will incur a negative 5cm penalty); and
  - d) show the nose of fish or tail of crayfish on the plastic edge of the brag mat.
7. The competition will run for the entirety of FY24 and will close on July 1<sup>st</sup> of 2024.

## **Scoring Examples**

Points are worked out by multiplying your fish's length by its multiplier (Figure 1 below).

*Example 1:*

- *A Spanish Mackerel with a length of 110cm, ( $\times 0.7$ ) is worth 77 points.*
- *A Dogtooth Tuna with a length of 110cm, ( $\times 1.0$ ) is worth 110 points.*

*Example 2:*

- *A Common Coral Trout with a length of 50cm, ( $\times 1.0$ ) is worth 50 points.*
- *A Coronation Trout with a length of 50cm, ( $\times 1.8$ ) is worth 90 points.*

This system is based on difficulty, and typical size of each species. This means that a smaller fish of a "rare" or "difficult" species can score just as high as a much larger more common species.

The alternative is that the Spanish Mackerel is worth the same as the Dogtooth Tuna, and the Common Coral Trout the same as the Coronation Trout. While these 2 fish generally grow to a similar length, their difficulty to shoot are can be very different. This would not be accounted for in the alternative scoring system.

## **Prizes**

At the annual awards night there will be a number of prizes awarded to competition entrants. The leaders of each category will be displayed in the scoring sheet, which will be updated and uploaded to the website/Facebook at the completion of each month.

There will also be prizes for the most meritorious fish in each category, these will be voted on by the organisers and will also be announced at the annual awards night.

### FY23 Cairns Spearfishing Club Running Comp Scoring Sheet

Species		Species Score Multiplier
1.	Common Coral Trout ( <i>Plectropomus leopardus</i> )	1.0
2.	Bar-cheek Coral Trout ( <i>Plectropomus maculatus</i> )	1.0
3.	Coronation Trout ( <i>Variola louti</i> )	1.8
4.	Passionfruit Trout ( <i>Plectropomus areolatus</i> )	1.5
5.	Black Spot Tuskfish ( <i>Choerodon schoenleinii</i> )	1.1
6.	Purple Cod ( <i>Epinephelus cyanopodus</i> )	1.3
7.	Barramundi ( <i>Lates calcarifer</i> )	0.8
8.	Mangrove Jack ( <i>Lutjanus argentimaculatus</i> )	1.2
9.	Red Emperor ( <i>Lutjanus sebae</i> )	1.2
10.	Fingermark ( <i>Lutjanus johnii</i> )	1.1
11.	Darktail Sea Perch ( <i>Lutjanus lemniscatus</i> )	1.6
12.	Spanish Flag Snapper (Stripey) ( <i>Lutjanus carponotatus</i> )	1.7
13.	Large Mouth Nannygai ( <i>Lutjanus malabaricus</i> )	1.1
14.	Small Mouth Nannygai ( <i>Lutjanus erythropterus</i> )	1.6
15.	Maori Sea Perch ( <i>Lutjanus rivulatus</i> )	1.1
16.	One Spot Sea Perch ( <i>Lutjanus monostigma</i> )	1.4
17.	Ornate Crayfish ( <i>Panulirus ornatus</i> )	1.6
18.	Painted/Battle Crayfish ( <i>Panulirus versicolor</i> )	2.0
19.	Champagne Crayfish ( <i>Linuparus trigonus</i> )	2.5
20.	Squid (All species)	2.5
21.	Red Throat Emperor ( <i>Lethrinus miniatus</i> )	1.4
22.	Spangled Emperor ( <i>Lethrinus nebulosus</i> )	1.1
23.	Grass Emperor ( <i>Lethrinus laticaudis</i> )	1.4
24.	Long Nose Emperor ( <i>Lethrinus olivaceus</i> )	1.2
25.	Yellow Lip Emperor ( <i>Lethrinus xanthurus</i> )	1.3
26.	Big Eye Emperor (Mu) ( <i>Monotaxis grandoculis</i> )	1.8
27.	Buffalo Emperor ( <i>Lethrinus miniatus</i> )	1.5
28.	Japanese Sea Bream ( <i>Gymnocranius euanus</i> )	1.8
29.	Green Jobfish ( <i>Aprion virescens</i> )	1.1
30.	Rusty Jobfish ( <i>Aphareus rutilans</i> )	1.3
31.	Cobia ( <i>Rachycentron canadum</i> )	0.7
32.	Spanish Mackerel ( <i>Scomberomorus commerson</i> )	0.7
33.	Wahoo ( <i>Acanthocybium solandri</i> )	0.7
34.	Dolphinfish (Mahi Mahi) ( <i>Coryphaena hippurus</i> )	0.8
35.	Dogtooth Tuna ( <i>Gymnosarda unicolor</i> )	1.0

Figure 1

