

## Boroko Motors 2011 Barramundi Competition



Not my fish

**Boroko Motors** has been sponsoring the Barramundi competition at the Boroko Sports Fishing Club for 20 years. The committee & members would like to pass on our thanks to Guy Lamont & Shane Boyce who have been instrumental in ensuring that **Boroko Motors** stay on board with us.

13 boats registered for this comp which is down somewhat on previous years. Next year we are sure that we can hit the 20 boat mark.

Water conditions were the best we have seen up the reach for quite a while. Warm water & good tides saw around 13 barra weighed in & or released.

Stories abounded about huge barra that were lost. Jimmy Bragg had a typical story about a 1.5m Barra that jumped out of the water at Parke's Corner which in turn lowered the water level by 2"!

A number of anglers went down the front into the Gorohu river system & found a number of canoes over the weekend with huge barra in them. Goes to show that they are still around. Even Rob Doyle borrowed one to take some happy snaps off.

Most anglers found plenty of snags with their sounders showing fish on them, but they weren't real interested in lures. That's fishing!

The fishing haus was full to bursting on Saturday evening. It was great to have three international visitors up for the comp. One international, Sharlene Trevor out did her husband by winning a prize. Well done Sharlene, we hope to see you come up next year & do it again.

A big thank you once again to **Boroko Motors**. We would also like to thank Albert Tan for getting the **Boroko Motors** shirts ready for the presentation. Adrian Cheah was once again cheered by all at the presentation for cooking up a storm on the BBQ. Adrian you're a legend.

## Categories

Heaviest Barramundi	Won by Robin Lang with a 7.24kg Barra for 181 points
Runners up Heaviest Barra	Won by Kerry Symes with a 6.80kg barra for 170 points
Highest point scoring released Barra	Went to the beautiful Sharlene Trevor (64cm Barra)
Runners up HPS released Barra	Went to Bernie Tanaka (59cm Barra)
Highest point scoring Champion Angler	Jimmy Bragg
Champion Boat	Good intentions

Prizes ranged from Gold Coast Custom rods, Eskies & vouchers.

The SPAC esky went off as well. It was great to see all teams represented at the presentation on Tuesday evening. The winner was Bernie Tanaka the barra catcher extraordinaire!

## NAFA Stories

This comp had a record number of NAFA's trying to win the salubrious prize.

We have Spel Check owned & operated by Craig Burrows first of the rank with a couple of beauties.

- It would seem that the Spel Check team wanted to limp into this comp, John has a history with his "cranky ankles". Henry only recently played superman trying to hold back 450cc of quad bike & smashed his ankle & leg. Well it seems that Mr Burrows not to be outdone decided that anything they can do he can do better. This was achieved by somehow reaching into the pod area on his boat transom & then hitting the throttle flat out. The end result being that he landed arse up in the pod & hurt his leg somewhat. The fishing gods were looking out for our friend & didn't let him go into the prop.
- A drunken call went out Saturday night from the fishing haus to John Windshuttle from his team mates to bring some bread up on Sunday morning. Craig & Henry got up early & set about getting ready for the day, they got down the ramp about 6.30 hoping that John wasn't too early & waiting for them. They didn't have to worry about that. A phone call went out to John at 7.30 to enquire of his whereabouts, his reply was that he was waiting for the shops to open so he could fulfill the late night request. I believe that he was told to get moving & "stuff the bread".
- It's not finished yet! On the way home Wally Hicks had a trailer issue. John Windshuttle came to the rescue & tried to repair a suspension problem only to have a part spring apart & split his finger down to the bone. No more pointing the bone for John.

This next one nearly got away with it. It would seem that BC & FOS hit a mud bank on Sunday that saw FOS smash his knee after attempting to fly through the air. Unfortunately he didn't have his superman uniform on & he joined the ranks of bugged up legs & ankles. (Thanks to Peter Burland for the above information). There is a email trail going round now trying to find a new name for FOS's red boat. His mates have put forward the following names, Sir Osis of the River, Fossicker, Mud Skipper, MV Ray Charles, Pontoon, Excavator, Backhoe, Scallop, Lungfish, Sling Shot, Busted Stork & last but not least Crippled Stock.

FOS had to go to the Doctors to get his knee checked out

The Doc says to him you'll have to stop masturbating!

FOS replies why is that Doc?

Because I'm trying to examine you!

Fran has a new cooking method for Connie, Ham sandwiches without ham. Apparently uncooked bacon is better. Connie you're lucky your misses gives a damn, I could think of a lot worse fillings to have in a sandwich

Robbo & Robin Lang had a wonderful time doing figure eights on the water retrieving lures after their tackle box hit the water & emptied out. Wish I was there as it would have been a free for all.



Winners are grinners!

Albert Tan tried to prove to the locals at the 9 mile markets that his tandem trailer is stronger than a PMV. The plastic mud guards on his boat sorted that PMV out hey Albert!



Rob Doyle bit Pooh at the fishing house!! Not the type of Pooh you are thinking off. Little Bruce Lamont brutally shoved his Winnie the Pooh bear into rob's face who bit it. Both the Bear & Bruce are OK. But man oh man did that bear stink, no wonder they call them Pooh bears.

Rob also had fun with pictures of a large Barra that he found in a canoe. Ken Webber was most impressed when he was emailed the photos & was spewing that he wasn't here to enjoy the great "catch". (I'll tell him the truth in time)The fish was "returned" in the same condition as it was found.

Mr Doyle also had an incident with a huge wasp that landed on him whilst in pursuit of giant Barra, the natural reaction was to wave the beastly away. In doing so he accidentally flicked away his remote control for his electric outboard.



The winner of the NAFA was Rob Doyle.

The next comp is the Mystery Comp sponsored by Pacific Nominees on the 20<sup>th</sup> November.

Hope to see ya all on the river.

Captain Jack.