

Juniors Weekend Contest

Oh dear – most of our junior anglers have grown up! I think the club needs a massive shout out to all the youngsters out there who are younger than 17 and keen on fishing to come and have a go at some of the competitions. This year we had 6 anglers aboard 3 boats who did their best in fine weather to catch some fish for club trophies and prizes, and Interclub trophies. The launch 'Senator' did its best to tag and release as many sharks as possible, to catch up with Whangarei's total but didn't quite make it. Senator's team Baily McIntyre and Trent McCarthy-Tell did manage to tag 7 blue shark and 4 mako shark. Baily also landed a good sized snapper of 5.2kg on 10kg line. The Lady Luck team of Jesse Ace and Hunter Birchall went out chasing kingfish and Jesse managed to land 2 fish of 15.12kg on 15kg line, and 11.46kg on 10kg line. Hunter landed a fish of 13.3kg. The prizes were won or given out as lucky draws, and included MP3 players, DVD players, rods and reel, fishing tackle, remote controlled helicopters, t-shirts and caps to name but a few. Jesse Ace was awarded the Whangamei Perpetual Trophy for the heaviest gamefish with his kingi of 15.12kg.

Hopefully we can tempt more anglers out fishing next year.

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