

RULES OF THE POKER RUN

THERE WILL BE NO PRE-RUN BRIEFING SO PLEASE READ CAREFULLY.

Any questions or concerns please phone Elwyn 021 999 286

All skippers **are** to collect **their registration number** on **the** day at the **community** hall by 10.00am.

All vessels are to be in the start area (Foreshore of Whangamata Bay, Kinloch to the right — looking from the shore — of the swim only area) by **10.55 am**.

The run will commence at **11.00am**. The start boat will signal a horn blast for one minute to start and then drop a flag for the start of the Poker Run.

This event is not a race! All Lake Taupo Navigation Safety Bylaws apply and must be adhered to. Larger vessels have right of way.

The boat number collection stations will be vessels anchored off the beach in the designated bays. You must approach these vessels at slow speed (remember within 50m is 5 knots!) with them on your PORT side. Hold up your number as you approach the station and once you get the thumbs up continue to port and head toward the next station.

The course will be advised closer to the day as weather details, wind direction etc become more certain.

The card collection point will be available when you return to the Kinloch Community Hall available from 2.00pm. All skippers need to collect their cards between 2.30 and 4.00pm. Any fish caught for the competition will need to be at the hall between 3pm and a final cut-off at 4pm.

The prize giving will commence in the Kinloch Community Hall at 4.30 pm. ALL envelopes will be opened in front of the official 'Tournament Director' who will rank the hands.

On opening your hand you will be offered the opportunity to discard up to four cards at a replacement cost of \$10.00 per new card.

In the event of two or more poker hands being of equal ranking the winner will be decided by a single card draw (Ace high). The person with the highest-ranking card will be declared the winner. Spot prizes will be drawn using the boat numbers.

The best team prize will be decided by the organisers.

Participants must be present at the prize giving and be in possession of a card envelope with their hand number to receive a prize.

Full entry fees and additional poker hand payments must accompany the entry form.

Early Bird registration payments can be made via the Kinloch Community Association and Trev Terry Marine websites. Scan and forward entry form to kinlochcommunity@gmail.com. On the day registration at the KCA registration at Kinloch Community Hall from 8.00 am. Cash and eftpos available. You must come to the hall prior to the start of the event to receive your registration boat number.

When arriving at the registration hall the skipper will be required to fill out a form listing all persons on his / her vessel stating whether adult or child. The approximate age of children is to be supplied. Skippers will be required to complete a Biosecurity Declaration form. **All boats that have been used in any other lake, river, or estuary with greater than 50% freshwater, outside of Lake Taupo are required to carry out the 3 day Clam specific Check, Clean, Dry procedure, this includes Fishing gear, anchors, chains, ropes, clothing, Life jackets etc. Any boats that have been used in such North Island waters after March 5th 2024 will not be able to enter the Poker Run**

Marshalls will be present at the Marina to help direct boat traffic in and out of the ramp. As part of this event, you are required to follow their instructions where given. Please demonstrate courtesy and consideration for other boats.

Postponement of the event on Saturday (or cancellation on Sunday) will be notified on the KCA Facebook and web page in the morning. Confirmation can also be obtained by contacting the marina office 07 377 3323 from 0700 hrs.

Please Note: Normal Kinloch Marina ramp fees of \$20.00 apply to non-season pass holders.

Thanks for being part of this exciting event and we look forward in catching up on the day.