



It is with great pleasure that the President and members of the Darwin Game Fishing Club

invite

to form a team to compete in the

# 42nd Annual NT Barramundi Classic 2024

"The Tournament with a Difference"

on the famous Daly River in the Northern Territory Australia

Monday 29th April – Sunday 5th May 2024



To Team Skipper, From Steve Roberts, President DGFC



### OFFICIAL INVITATION TO FORM A TEAM IN THE 2024 XXXX NT BARRAMUNDI CLASSIC FROM 29 APRIL TO 5 MAY

As President of the Darwin Game Fishing Club, I have great pleasure in extending you an invitation to form a team to compete in the 2024 XXXX NT Barramundi Classic, perhaps the most iconic fishing tournament in the Northern Territory, if not Australia. Our 2024 event will be the 42nd year that the NT Barramundi Classic has been run. The memories, legends, camaraderie and friendships created over that period are just some of the factors that have contributed to the iconic status the event carries. The opportunity to start planning the "week of a lifetime" is now offered to you. As, in the past, we will keep you informed as we progress towards April 2024.

Meanwhile, the Junior Barra Classic reaches its 15th year of providing education in best practices for anglers of the future, adventure, excitement and loads of smiles to budding junior anglers. We ask and encourage you to share a little of your valued leisure time, divulge your angling knowledge and boating skills and host a junior angler or two on your boat on 29 April.

In 2024, we are introducing a Masters' category and we encourage nominations in that category.

Unlike previous years, the 2024 event will have an online registration which is in the process of being set up. More information on entry forms will follow. To help with your planning, please note a deposit of \$2860 will be due by Friday 27 October 2024 with your entry forms. The second payment of \$2940 will be due by Friday 8 March 2024. All amounts include GST. **Please do not make any payments until the online registration is set up.** 

#### A reminder that as Team Skipper, your responsibility is to:

- Adhere to deadlines outlined in the Barra Classic Entry Form including payment dates and uniform order details.
- Ensure that each member of your crew completes the relevant forms, giving all details.
- Ensure that all relevant Forms are returned on or before the due date along with the Tournament deposit of \$2860.
- Advise / update your crew on all relevant Tournament information that comes to hand.
- Notify the Barra Classic Coordinator, as soon as possible, should any changes occur in your team and/or information.
- Refer to the cancellation policy stated later in this document.



Alcohol and the Tournament Venue – During the competition, the tournament venue (Banyan Farm) becomes a licensed premises under the control of DGFC, and with ever increasing community alcohol restrictions, especially in remote regions, you are reminded of the NT Government restrictions relating to bringing alcoholic beverages into the Daly River community and surrounding areas. We have a very generous and pro-active alcohol sponsor and I can assure you it will be cheaper to buy your alcohol from the bar at the venue than buying it in Darwin.

### *Please remember that the revenue from the bar sales goes directly to the Darwin Game Fishing Club. So it's simple really*

- it's cheaper to buy your alcohol at the venue and you are supporting the club running your tournament
- please don't bring excessive amounts of alcohol to the river, consume in moderation, and act responsibly!

I would like to finish by thanking all of our valued sponsors, without whom this event would not be possible. To associated co-ordinators, to the DGFC committee, our volunteers, to our club members and our competitors, and to all who devote so many hours to make the XXXX NT Barramundi Classic the event that it is... thank you. I look forward to seeing you at next year's event, as always, it's hard to wait for the best week of the year!

#### And remember, "You'll never know if you never throw".

#### **Kind Regards**

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## **TOURNAMENT DETAILS**

### **Tournament Venue**

Banyan Farm, Daly River, Northern Territory

**Junior Classic** Daly River on Monday 29 April 2024

> **Orientation Day** Tuesday 30 April 2024

## Tournament Briefing & Calcutta

Tuesday 30 April 2024 at the Banyan Farm

### 42nd NT Barramundi Classic Tournament

(incorporating the Masters Barra Classic Tournament) On the Daly River Wednesday 1 – Sunday 5 May 2024 (5 Day event. Fishing times and other details will be given at the Tournament Briefing)

**Presentation Evening** 

Daly River 7pm, Sunday 5 May 2024





## **CONDITIONS OF ENTRY**

Entry is by invitation only from the DARWIN GAME FISHING CLUB (DGFC) to nominate a team of 2 or 3 anglers to fish the 2024 NT Barramundi Classic. This invitation is not transferable without the authorisation of the DGFC committee.

The Darwin Game Fishing Club Committee reserves the right to refuse the nomination of any competitor without explanation.

The club must receive completed and signed entry forms for each team member (or at least the skipper if your team is not yet complete) along with the team deposit of \$2860 no later than Friday 27th October 2023. The balance of the entry fee must be received by Friday 8th March 2024. No refund of fees will be made to any competitor withdrawing their nomination after Friday 8th March 2024 unless the Darwin Game Fishing Club Committee deems circumstances extraordinary. All competitors must be full members of the Darwin Game Fishing Club.

Competitors must also abide by the tournament rules established by Darwin Game Fishing Club (details and rules will be provided at pre-tournament briefings).

This is a catch and release tournament only. Knotless nets must be used throughout the duration of the tournament.

All boats must display the DGFC sticker and team number provided on team boat (in location) during the tournament.

Competitors participate in the tournament entirely at their own risk. (Skippers are responsible for their crew.)

Competitors are to abide by local Daly River rules and tournament etiquette and act considerately towards locals and other vessels on the river.

## **GENERAL ITEMS**

- The tournament venue shall be a licensed premises and ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES CANNOT be brought into the NT Barramundi Classic area.
- Cancellation or Postponement: Competitors acknowledge and agree that if the Darwin Game Fishing Club decides to postpone and/or cancel the 2024 Barra Classic for reasons outside of the control of the Club, or not reasonably foreseeable by the Club (such as an outbreak of a pandemic, a flood, the imposition of biosecurity restrictions, a natural disaster, an outbreak of war, or civil unrest), then the Club will endeavour to offer teams the option of carrying forward their entry to a future Barra Classic, or providing a refund of entry fees. Any refund of fees will not include airfares or travel costs associated with interstate competitors, nor the cost of Quarantine, if imposed by the NT Government or Commonwealth Chief Health Officer.

Any refund of entry fees, or carrying forward of entry fees to a future competition, will be subject to such deductions as the Club, acting reasonably, determines as representing the expenses incurred by the Club in preparation for the cancelled or postponed event. We acknowlege and agree that we will have no claim against the Club for any failure by the Club to offer a refund or for any deductions made by the Club in accordance with this clause.

- It is your responsibility to arrange additional charges for air-conditioned vans and motor homes with the Banyan Farm. Contact Wally and Kerri Draper on (08) 8978 2461.
- Additional visitors (eg. camera crews, family etc.) can be accommodated at a cost per day, plus camping which includes 3 meals per day. Please show this information on your entry form.
- Teams are to provide their own transport for boats and trailers to and from the Banyan Farm, Daly River venue.
- Boats can be left rafted overnight at pontoons at your own risk. An overnight security guard will be provided during tournament nights (29th April – 5th May).
  A boat ramp is available next to the venue.
- All information, images and tournament data given may be used by the Darwin Game Fishing Club to market and promote the Barra Classic and the Darwin Game Fishing Club.



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