



# Musselroe Wind Farm

## North East Rivers Festival Musselroe Wind Farms Pioneer Fishing Competition

Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> October 2016

103 registered competitors and approximately 40 onlookers attend the Musselroe Wind Farms Pioneer Fishing Competition.

The day started off reasonably calm and despite the sun making an appearance the wind eventually slowed the number of fish being caught. A total of 20 fish and one eel were weighed in – with the majority being caught by those off shore in boats. The fish were a lot smaller this year and mostly Atlantic Salmon, however, the overall heaviest fish was a nice Rainbow Trout.

This year we welcomed two families who had won family passes courtesy of LAFM. Congratulations to Trevor Styles and his two sons Wesley (5) and Beau (7) and to Nina Kristinsson, her father Aegir and daughter Rose (7). Both families travelled from Launceston.

Thanks to our generous sponsors, we were also able to award runner up prizes in each division this year.

### Results

Heaviest Fish caught by an adult 17+

Once again Scottsdale's Danny Butt caught the overall heaviest fish with a 1.32kg Rainbow Trout which weighed half that of his winning fish last year.

Runner-up

Leigh Jones, from St Helens, with a 1.06kg Atlantic Salmon

Other fish caught in this division

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|-----------------|------------------------|
| Alan Marshall   | 0.93kg Rainbow Trout   |
| Wayne Johnson   | 0.82kg Atlantic Salmon |
| Leigh Jones     | 0.82kg Atlantic Salmon |
| Jason Fiddian   | 0.79kg Atlantic Salmon |
| Lynden McKerrow | 0.68kg Atlantic Salmon |
| Ian McKerrow    | 0.62kg Atlantic Salmon |
| Leigh Jones     | 0.58kg Atlantic Salmon |
| Robert Edson    | 0.36kg Rainbow Trout   |
| Alan Marshall   | 0.31kg Atlantic Salmon |

Heaviest Fish caught by a 6-16 year old

Lekkas Mountney 11, from Banca, with a 0.57 kg Atlantic Salmon

Runner-up

Alex Johnson 9, from Bridport, with a 0.07kg Rainbow Trout

No fish caught by an under 6 year old

Heaviest Fish caught off the bank by an adult 17+

Shawn Wellard, from Pioneer, with a 1.43kg Atlantic Salmon. Last year saw him win this division with a Trout almost twice this size.

Runner-up

Shawn also won the runner-up prize with a 0.87kg Atlantic Salmon.

Other fish caught in this division

Shawn Wellard 0.73kg Atlantic Salmon

Joey Fraser 0.46kg Atlantic Salmon

Shawn Wellard 0.33kg Atlantic Salmon

Heaviest Fish caught off the bank, 16 years and under

Declan Cash 14 and his brother Izaak Kelly 9, from Herrick, both caught fish weighing 0.65kg to take out the prizes in this division with an Atlantic Salmon and Rainbow Trout respectively.

Tom Timperon 16, from Blumont, caught a 0.26kg Eel and was awarded an encouragement prize

The Mystery Weight \$50 Tamar Marine Voucher was won by Ian McKerrow from Rocherlea, with a weight of 0.62kg.

Major Lucky Draw

2 x Treetops Adventure Tours donated by Hollybank Treetops Adventure Tours at Underwood was won by Alex Johnson, 9, from Bridport.

There were also approximately 20 assorted other lucky draws as well as a variety of children's' lucky prizes awarded on the day.

Unfortunately no tagged fish were caught on the day.

Finally a big thankyou to our sponsors, Musselroe Wind Farms, Shimano, Good Sports Scottsdale, Hollybank Treetops Adventure Tours, Tamar Marine, Streets, Platypus Park Country Retreat, The Bridport Surf Life Saving Club and of course Inland Fisheries Services and the Huon Aquaculture Group.

Funds raised go towards providing kitchen and garden classes, for all Grade 3-6 students at Winnaleah District High School, as part of the Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Program.