



## **XVI Australian Masters Games Fly Fishing Championships.**

The Australian Masters Games (AMG) has been running since 1989 with the aim of encouraging and engaging the master sports demographic in ongoing activity.

With the worldwide recognition of fly fishing as a sport and with the endorsement of the event by Fly Fish Australia Inc. [www.flyfishaustralia.com.au](http://www.flyfishaustralia.com.au) who are the recognised body for administering sport fly fishing in Australia the AMG administration have encouraged the inclusion of fly fishing in the 2017 AMG. The AMG are to be held from Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> October – Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> October with the actual fly fishing event being held between the Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> October and the Friday 27<sup>th</sup> October.

The fly fishing event will be hosted by the North West Fly Fishing Club based in Burnie [www.nwffc.org.au](http://www.nwffc.org.au)

The event will be conducted over a three day period and a timetable is attached to this document.

The availability of and distances apart of angling venues, boats and volunteers required to run this event has determined the actual numbers of anglers that can compete and this been limited to **three one day angling sessions of four hours each** with **60** anglers made up of **20** teams of three anglers, team captains and managers will be at the discretion of each team.

**Registration for teams will be on a first come first registered and paid basis and individual anglers are encouraged to register and will be placed into teams. See the registration details and process below.**

**All anglers to qualify for this event must be over 50 years of age as of October 21<sup>st</sup> 2017.**

The following program for the event with the notes attached meets the above limitations. The competition will be strictly on a catch and release basis for Brown and Rainbow Trout and local native Grayling with a minimum size of 200mm, rules for the competition will be circulated at the time of anglers registration (Rules to be used will basically be modified rules of international fly fishing set by Fips – Mouche) . [www.fips-mouche.com](http://www.fips-mouche.com)

**The following program with notes attached outlines the program:**

**Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> October** Opening Ceremony for the AMG.

**Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> October** Angling practise day

**Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> October** Angling practise day.

Anglers will be able to fish and practise in any of the Tasmanian Inland waters controlled by the Inland Fisheries service (all anglers will be required to hold a current Tasmanian state angling licence). **The waters allocated for the competition will be closed to all angling by the competitors fourteen days prior to the competition.** Any infringement of this rule will incur automatic disqualification for the competition. Detailed maps and all information pertaining to the competition venues will be provided when angler registration to the event is received.

**Tuesday October 24<sup>th</sup> 1.00pm** Angling team registration draw and event briefing to be conducted at the North West Fly Fishers club rooms.

**Wednesday October 25th** Angling competition day 1. (See session times below)

**Thursday October 26<sup>th</sup>** Angling competition day 2. (See session times below)

**Friday October 27th** Angling competition day 3 (See sessions times below)

On Friday evening there will be an angling event medal presentation dinner at the Wynyard football Club rooms medals will be awarded for first second and third individual placing's and first, second and third team placing's.

**Saturday October 28<sup>th</sup>** Australian Masters Games closing ceremony.

## Angling Program

The angling program has been set up to provide anglers with a varied and interesting three days of fishing.

1. **Venue One** :Talbots Lagoon (Described as this season's best Stillwater fishery in Tasmania see a review in **Tasmanian Fishing and Boating news** issue 126 [www.tasfish.com](http://www.tasfish.com) ) Boats to be used will be 12ft Purdon Dinghies powered by electric out board motors. There will be two competing anglers per boat .Session times would be one two hour session in the morning followed with a two hour lunch break and then a two hour session in the afternoon. Anglers will score and record each other's fish.]



2. **Venues two:** Will be fishing from a bank on four separate dams, (Dams are all in close proximity to Burnie populated by both Brown and Rainbow to double figure size). The proposal is that one two hour session will be fished by a group of ten anglers in the morning and then during the lunch break anglers change lake venue and fish a further two hour afternoon session .

Controllers will be on hand for scoring on this venue. 10 (ten) controllers needed.



3. **Venue Three: Mersey River.** Twenty beats will be required on the Mersey River of approximately 250 each which equates to five kilometres of river. Not all the beats will be consecutive but road access to bridge drop offs and angler distribution have been taken into consideration to minimise travelling times to beats.

**There will be a two hour angling session in the morning with a one and a half hour lunch break with anglers moving one beat on to fish the afternoon session of two hours.**

**This will mean that the angler on Beat 20 will have to be transported back to Beat 1 during the lunch break.**

Controllers will be required for each angler on the Mersey river sector. 20 (twenty) controllers needed.



## **Session Times**

### **Talbots Lagoon:**

AM Sessions 1000-1200

PM Sessions 1400-1600

### **Mersey River**

AM Sessions 1000-1200

PM Sessions 1330-1530

### **Pet Dam and Atkinson's Dams**

AM Sessions 1000-1200

PM Sessions 1400-1600

## **Team Accommodation**

Each team and or individual angler will be responsible for their own accommodation and meals for the duration of the event.

## **Event Costing's**

A mandatory AMG cost of \$99.00 is required which will cover all the costs of Official functions for the games.

**An angling event fee of \$201.00 has been determined on the following basis:**

To be eligible anglers must be a member of the North West Fly Fishers or a member of a Tasmanian Fishing club under the umbrella of Anglers Alliance. Mandatory for angler insurance purposes.

Transport fee

Boat hire and batteries.

Medals Event Costs

Beat Markers, Score cards and other office support materials.

Coffee /Tea at the angling venues during the lunch break. **Provision of Lunches to be the responsibility of the competitors.**

### **Angler teams Registration and payment:**

**All Angler Teams and individual anglers are required to register by contacting**

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