

Dear Angler

Caithness S.A.A. are pleased to invite you to the Caithness Open Boat Championships to be fished out of Scrabster.

The competition will again be fished on a conservation basis, with one day being a lure only day.

Registration will take place in the Weigh Inn Motel, Scrabster from 9 pm to 10 pm on Friday 11<sup>th</sup> April and also at the harbour from 8:00 to 8:30 am on the Saturday. Prizes will be presented as soon as possible after fishing on the Sunday.

Tight lines

Hamish Holmes  
Chairman

### **Match Format**

This two day match will be fished to a points system. The format of the match is that it will be fished with two hooks, day 1 (Saturday) being assigned an 'anything goes' day while day 2 (Sunday) is a 'lure only' (artificials) day.

### **Points System**

Each anglers catch is used to work out their fish points and from this the anglers percentage will be determined. After the two days fishing the angler with the highest percentage total will be the winner. In the event of a tie, the angler with the highest percentage of the boat catch will be the winner.

### **FISHING RULES**

1. Current SFSA rules at 1<sup>st</sup> January 2008 will apply with the following amendments.
2. (a) Boats will depart from Scrabster harbour at 9 am on the Saturday and 8.30 am on Sunday. No boat will wait for any anglers who has not reported on board to his fishing skipper at least 15 minutes before departure time.  
  
(b) Fishing times will be six hours from line down and no later than 10.00 am start on Saturday and 9.30 am on Sunday.  
  
(c) In the event of a boat breakdown additional time may be allowed by the organising Committee after these times.
3. Rods shall have a minimum length of 1.5 m (5ft).
4. A maximum of two single hooks may be used. An un-baited treble hook attached to a pirk to count as a single hook when fished with a single hook flyer or on it's own.
5. A fish hooked by more than one angler will not be eligible for points.
6. Anglers casting must give an audible signal to others before commencing cast (i.e. SHOUT!).
7. When casting the rod tip and trace must be outside the gunwhales.

### **GENERAL RULES**

1. Coalfish **do not** count for points.
2. There will be **no** size limits.
3. Points will be allocated as follows:- 6 points per cod and ling, 4 points per pollack and 2 points for all other species. A maximum of ten 'other species' to count. To these points will be added the total number of fish to give the angler fish points from which percentages are determined.

**ENTRY FORM**

Name .....

Address .....

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Tel. No. ....

Please find enclosed my entry fee as detailed below.

Senior - £90.00

Junior - £50.00

Team

Partner .....

Total Enclosed - £ .....

**Please make cheques / PO's payable to  
Caithness SAA**

Return form to :  
Derek Yuille  
Culzean  
Camilla Street  
Halkirk  
CAITHNESS  
KW12 6YQ

Photocopies of the entry form may be used.

**Closing Date for Entries 15th March 2008**



**CAITHNESS OPEN BOAT  
CHAMPIONSHIPS**

**12th & 13th April 2008**