



JUNIOR ANGLER PROGRAM

28th Annual Palau Sports Fishing Tournament featuring the Etpison Cup May 5th and 6th, 2018

The Jr. Anglers Program is an event carried out each year by Palau Conservation Society (PCS) and the Palau Sports Fishing Association (PSFA) in conjunction with the annual PSFA Fishing Derby feat. Etpison Cup. The Jr. Angler's event emanate from a common value shared between the two organizations. This is the value of Palau's fish to Palauans and the conservation of Palau's marine resources.

The implications of time and resources required to carry out the Jr. Anglers Program are significant and overwhelming for one organization to bear. Because of this, PCS and PSFA reach out to valuable partners for a collaborative effort. The Koror Department of Conservation and Law Enforcement (DCLE), Bureau of Marine Resources (BMR), and the Palau International Coral Reef Center (PICRC) remain key partners in this event. This 2018, the partnership welcome the newly formed Bureau of Maritime Security Fish and Wildlife (BMSFW) into the partnership.

Together our goal is to raise awareness on the importance of conservation of our natural resources, with it is sustainable fisheries.

We believe the future of sport fishing depends on the interest of the next generation. Teaching good ethics and techniques to young people will promote an exciting and positive mind set for years to come. In effect, we hope to cultivate and nurture the culture of conservation among our children who are tomorrow's rightful stewards of Palau's natural resources.

The program includes 2 days of fun, excitement and learning about sport fishing, catch & release, importance of conservation, and the work that the men and women of the Bureau of Maritime & Security dispense on a daily basis. The first day of the Program will include learning how to tie ropes, how to tighten tackle, how to catch and release, the uniqueness of our island nation, and the work that the men and women of the Koror DCLE and the BMSFW carry out to safeguard our resources and our home. On the second day, all registered PSFA Junior Anglers will be taken out on a fishing trip to a nearby spot where they will compete against each other for a chance to win awesome cash prizes.

The Palau Conservation Society (PCS) is the main organizer of the PSFA feat. Etpison Cup Junior Angler program along with the Bureau of Maritime Security Fish & Wildlife Protection and the Koror Department of Conservation and Law Enforcement.

The following are the Junior Angler's Program information, rules and regulations:

A. WHAT TO BRING?

- a. Fishing gear: Recommend at least 25 lbs fishing line, fishing weights 4 to 5 ounces; fishing hooks #3, #4, or #5. (Bring on both days as we will learn how to set your fishing line on the 1st day and use it to fish on the 2nd day. 1 box of frozen squid (any bait) for the 2nd day which is May 6th 2018.

- b. **Junior Anglers are advised to bring a change of clothes, snorkeling set and a towel for the first day May 5th and only fishing gears, change of clothes and towel for the 2nd day which May 6th, 2018.**

B. Winner shall be determined based on his or her catch's Total Weight

Fish Category:

- Open

C. PRIZE RESTRICTIONS: Each angler may only win one (1) prize.

D. Registration Fee is \$10.00

E. RELEASE OF LIABILITY: To be eligible, parents/guardians of angler must sign the registration/liability form provided by PCS to release all liabilities and responsibilities for all PCS, PSFA, and other members on boat in case of emergencies.

F. Junior Angler's Schedule of Activities: Saturday, May 5th - 9:00 a.m. - 14:00 p.m. (classroom activities in Marine Law Building @ Malakal) Sunday, May 6th - 8:00 a.m. - 14:15. (Fishing expedition)

G. BOAT SAFETY REGULATIONS: All participating anglers must observe all boat safety regulations.

H. PROHIBITED FISH HANDLING: Shooting, Harpooning, or lancing fish being played during any stage is prohibited.

I. CONSERVATION PRACTICES: Participants are required to release all caught fish as a conservation measure.

J. OBSERVANCE OF NATIONAL, STATE AND TRADITIONAL LAWS

- All participants must observe all national and state conservation laws, and must stay away from "no fishing zones" which include the following closed areas:

- a. Ngemelis - Half mile from reef in observance of the traditional bul
- b. Ngerukeuid Islands Wildlife Preserve
- c. Ngerumekaol
- d. Ngederrak, and other closed areas.
- e.

K. OFFICIAL WEIGHT: To be official, fish weight must be certified by the authorized Jr. Angler Tournament Weight Master. **The Jr. Anglers is a catch and release tournament so no fish shall be kept after the weigh in.**

L. MATCHING OPPOSED WEIGHT: In the event that two opposing fish weigh the same, the first fish weighed and recorded will be declared the winner. The second fish weighed and recorded will take next place automatically.

M. FINAL DECISIONS: All decisions of the tournament committee will be final.

N. AWARDING OF PRIZES: Junior Anglers Awards Ceremony will be held as soon as the anglers return from their fishing trip on the 6th of May 14:25 Anglers are encouraged to bring families, friends, and cameras to record the event.

O. KEEP PAGE 1-3 and SUBMIT PAGES 4 and 5, ALL Registration forms must be submitted to PCS or Neco Marine NO LATER than MAY 3rd 2018 @ 5pm.

P. FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT PALAU CONSERVATION SOCIETY @488-3993

REGISTRATION & LIABILITY FORM

Angler Name: _____

Age: _____

Responsible Parent / Guardian name: _____

Emergency Contact Info: Please check whom to contact first

() Contact father:

Name	Cell Phone	Other Phone
------	------------	-------------

() Contact mother:

Name	Cell Phone	Other Phone
------	------------	-------------

Medical History/Special Needs

Please provide information (below) such as allergies, physical needs/issues, and etc.:

*Family Doctor Name	Phone
---------------------	-------

RELEASE AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY

CONSENT FOR EMERGENCY MEDICAL TREATMENT

In the event of a medical emergency, the undersigned Parent/Guardian of the above named participant, hereby grants authorization to the Palau Conservation Society and its representatives and employees to employ any legally licensed physician or health care facility on behalf of each of the undersigned, and to direct and/or order emergency medical treatment for the above named participant. Each of the undersigned further agrees that neither Palau Conservation Society nor any of its representatives and employees shall be liable under any circumstances to anyone for exercising the foregoing authority in the event of an emergency, or perceived emergency.

INFORMED CONSENT AND WAIVER/RELEASE

I understand, agree, and acknowledge that there are risks inherent in the water and land activities conducted by the Palau Conservation Society Programs. These activities may include traveling, swimming, strenuous hikes, and vigorous physical activities. With full understanding of the facts, I state that, to the best of my knowledge, my child listed on this application has no medical, physical, mental or emotional health condition which would impair or prevent his/her participation in the Palau Conservation Society activities.

Hence, I, the undersigned, as the parent or legal guardian of the child listed on this form give permission for my child to participate in the Palau Conservation Society Programs, and hereby assume full responsibility for all risks of injury or loss that may incur during my child's participation in related activities and thereby agree to hold harmless, release and forever discharge Palau Conservation Society, its representatives and employees from any and all claims or demands whatsoever. The terms of this release shall serve as a release and assumption of risk for my child, heir executors and administrators and for all my family members.

MEDIA CONSENT

I also understand that Photos and Videos are occasionally taken during Palau Conservation Society Program activities and that any photo or video taken of my child may be used for Palau Conservation Society reporting and publicity purposes.

I, the undersigned, as the parent/guardian of child listed on this form have read and fully understand and consent to the risks and responsibilities mentioned in this form, including the Emergency Medical Authorization, the Informed Consent and Waiver/Release, and the Media Consent outlined above as it relates to my child.

I agree to comply with the rules and regulations and event instructions of the 28th Annual Fishing Tournament in conjunction with Palau Sport Fishing Association and Palau Conservation Society.

In consideration to enter and participate in the 28th Annual Fishing Tournament, I hereby, for attorneys, representatives, and each of them, do release, acquit and hold harmless the 28th Annual PSFA Fishing Tournament Committee, Palau Sport Fishing Association, its officers, members, volunteers, event agents, sponsors, employees, attorneys and representatives and each of them from any and all claims, demands, losses, causes of action, injuries, damages, penalties, costs, attorney’s fees, liabilities and indemnities arising out of my participation in this sports fishing derby.

Angler signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent/Legal Guardian signature: _____ Date: _____

***** NOTE: Please submit all completed forms to NECO Marine or to the Palau Conservation Society office located at the 2nd Floor Bai Ra Maibrel building in Medalaii (next to SLC @ PC).**