

ENTRIES NOW OPEN



How to enter this years tournament.

For seven days, from Sunday 9th to Saturday 15th October 2005 you can fish along the famous Ribbon Reefs of the Great Barrier Reef to do battle with the giant black marlin that congregate at this time of the year in that part of the Coral Sea, the only known breeding grounds for these magnificent animals. To receive an entry form and brochure visit www.lizardislandgfc.asn.au. You can either download

the PDF files or register your intent to enter on the web page and receive the brochure and entry form in the post. Entries after 12th September 2005 incur a late fee. This event would not be possible without the support of our sponsors, to whom we are extremely grateful. Thank you to Riviera, Top Shot Tackle, I.C. Frith and Associates Insurance Brokers, Shimano and Blue Water Boats and Sportfishing for your tremendous support.



Tournament results for 2004

A total of 29 boats with 77 anglers entered the Riviera 18th Lizard Island Black Marlin Classic, fished for seven days from Tournament Base at Lizard Island. Teams came from the Bahamas, USA, New Zealand, Russia, Japan, Finland and Australia to compete in what is now recognised as the premier heavy tackle black marlin tournament of the World.

The teams managed 294 strikes, 230 hook-ups, 132 tags 1 marlin of 487kg weighed and three other marlin tagged and released, but self disqualified by the anglers and crew concerned for technical breaches of the rules. Once again, this self disqualification ethos of our members is something we are proud of in this World class International event.

A breakdown of the estimated weights of the tagged marlin reveals not as many top end fish this year as last, but overall their was enough action to satisfy all competitors. At least three "granders" were tagged.

100 to 150 pound 16; 200 to 250 pound 37;
300 to 350 pound 28; 400 to 450 pound 12;
500 to 550 pound 8; 600 to 650 pound 8;
700 to 750 pound 4; 800 to 850 pound 8;
900 to 950 pound 8; 1000 to 1100 pound 3.



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Kirill Kulazhico, from Russia, with a 487kg (1071 lb) Black Marlin.