



2024 Stabicraft Te Anau Manapouri Fishing Classic Results

This event, now in its 17th year, is the largest event run by Te Anau Community Events Charitable Trust (Te Anau Events) and, thanks to Stabicraft, currently has the biggest prize pool of any fishing event in New Zealand. In addition, there are many other sponsors, without whom this event would not be the success it is year-after-year.

The Fiordland fishing competition is run over the two lakes, Te Anau and Manapouri as well as the Upper Waiau River.

This year's major prize was a Stabicraft 1850 Fisher with a 115hp Yamaha outboard, DMW Premier 550 Trailer, Garmin Fishfinder & VHF, life jackets & chilly bin package valued at over \$90,000.

The main competition runs from 2pm on Friday and concludes at 2pm on Sunday with prizegiving as close to 3pm as we can make it and is held at the Te Anau Rugby Grounds.

There are prizes for the longest fish caught by those using the Catch & Release App and prizes for weighed in fish for the best condition factor fish in each category (male, female, junior & child sections). The Stabicraft Te Anau Manapouri Fishing Classic fishing tournament winner is found by knockout of weigh in tickets being drawn. This is done by a "shoot out", with 5 adult entries who caught a fish being drawn out.

There is also separate competition aimed at kids 11 years and under to give fishing a go. The Cruise Milford Take a Kid Fishing competition is held out at McGregor Pond (a 10-minute drive from Te Anau) and is held on the Saturday of Labour Weekend. Here kids have the chance of landing the big one with experienced anglers on hand to show techniques for fishing. There are giveaways on entering, at the pond, and fantastic prizes up for grabs.

The event provides an avenue for our local groups and clubs to fundraise - by providing manpower during the weekend.

Total entries for both 2024 competitions - 1569 (1758 last year).

Entries into the Stabicraft 2024 Te Anau Manapouri Fishing Classic – 1426 (1578 last year)

Men: 905 (1090 last year)

Female: 307 (381 last year)

Junior: 138 (153 last year)

Child: 228 (297 last year)

Total fish weighed in – 760 (867 last year)

516 entrants registered their catch on the Catch & Release App

Total entries into the 2024 Cruise Milford Take a Kid Fishing competition - 143 (180 last year)

Total fish weighed in at McGregor Pond - 57 (32 last year)

Breakdown of fish weighed in:

Overall Total

Te Anau	557
Manapouri	117
Upper Waiau	<u>86</u>
Main comp total	760
McGregor's	57

Where were entrants from?...

Overseas	6
North Island	18
Westland	2
Canterbury/Nelson	23
Otago	599
Southland	673
Fiordland	248

Results:

Cruise Milford Take a Kid Fishing competition - Ranked in order of condition factor (a formula of weight & length)

BEST CONDITION FACTOR FISH CAUGHT AT MCGREGOR POND – Lochie Young

2 nd	Austin Moynihan
3 rd	Harry Fletcher
4 th	Ernie Haugh
5 th	Sefton Kinsey
6 th	Max O'Sullivan
7 th	Max Moynihan
8 th	Finlay Kincaid
9 th	Marcel Brun
10 th	Kayla Henderson

Kids Colouring Competition - 4 & Under: Izzy Hunter (3)
5 – 7 years: Violet Moore (7)
8 & Over: Ana Hodson (9)

Furthest travelled was Charles Hay

Heaviest Perch – Gary Buchanan (1.170)

Heaviest Salmon – no salmon caught this year

App results (longest fish entered via App)

- Child – 1st: Clare Wilson (55.5cm)
2nd: George Borges (53cm)
- Junior – 1st: Radek King (64cm)
2nd: Mali Vivian (60cm)
- Female – 1st: Catharina Jefferson (58cm)
2nd: Jeanette MacDonald (57.5cm)

- Male – **1st:** Lance Gill (65.5cm)
2nd: Ethan McPherson (61.5cm)

Weigh in winners. *Ranking is by condition factor (a formula of fish weight & length) – NOT by heaviest fish.*

Child Lake - **1st:** Elsie Gray (44.11)
2nd: Sophie Mitchell (40.47 CF)
3rd: Wren Wallis (40.23 CF)

Junior - **1st:** Cody Molloy (41.04CF)
2nd: Seth Affleck (40.52CF)
3rd: Amelia McKay (40.46CF)

Women - **1st:** Nihara Huck (43.75CF)
2nd: Leanne Sutherland (42.97CF)
3rd: Marion Dawson (41.43CF)

Men - **1st:** Greg Cockburn (48.39CF)
2nd: Quinton Jones (48.03CF)
3rd: Kieran Anderson (45.43CF)

Shoot Out - 5 names are drawn out of the barrel from the adults that weighed in a fish

5th Bryce Fieten

4th Lauren James

3rd Peter Hogg

2nd Myah Popham

And the winner of the Stabicraft Boat Winner was Donna Kelly from Waianiwa

Thank you to everyone who joined us for this year's Te Anau Manapouri Fishing Classic! Despite the challenging weather conditions, which prevented some from attending, we are grateful for the enthusiastic turnout and the dedication of participants who braved the elements. Your commitment truly made this event memorable!