



Big 3 2022 Update - December 2021

The committee of the Ngawi Sports Fishing Club have discussed the Covid 19 Protection Framework in depth and voted to continue planning for the Big 3 2022 to go ahead.

The committee have worked hard visiting potential sponsors and have secured good support for the event. Thank you to the committee members that took on this task with such enthusiasm in the face of uncertain times.

Sponsors have been as forthcoming and generous as in previous years and we are confident the Big 3 2022 will continue to draw good levels of entries both from regulars and newbies alike. Thank you to sponsors that have the confidence and willingness to support our event especially when there is so much debate on where we might be heading with reference to public gatherings and events and limits on numbers.

The event can be held under both Orange and Green as a controlled-access event requiring a My Vaccine Pass. Under this condition there is no limit to the number of attendees however ALL attendees over the age of 12 years and 3 months must provide their Vaccine Pass - children under 12 years and 3 months do not need one. This also allows the club to host family and friends of participants that also comply with the Protection Framework conditions.

- The event area covered by our licence around the office and marquee will be enclosed and access will be restricted.
- ALL competitors will be required to register at the competition office individually and present their vaccine pass. You will no longer be able to collect entry packs on behalf of your mates and crew.
- ALL non-competitors wishing to visit the marquee will be required to register at the competition office and present their vaccine pass. You will receive a wristband giving access to the marquee. There will be no cost.
- ALL volunteers and workers are required to be vaccinated. We appreciate your help; we also appreciate personal choices but respect that some may withdraw.

We understand our decision may be somewhat controversial and hosting an event requiring vaccination will not be popular with everyone. We considered continuing, if possible, is in the best interests of the club in general over the entire year.

There is the possibility the region could go to a Red alert and force cancellation of the Big 3 however with little in the way of guidance on how or when this would occur we consider the risk is acceptable.

The Big 3 was first held in 1992 and has survived through several years where there have been no fishing days and limited fishing days. If we can have a crack, we should and keep the story alive, weighed and recorded.

Yvonne Ker
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