



# \$500 Gone Fishing Day Grant promoting recreational fishing

## Grant Guidelines

Gone Fishing Day is a national celebration of recreational fishing where all Australians can experience the joys of fishing and be a part of the biggest event on Australia's recreational fishing calendar. Now in its second year in 2017 Gone fishing Day will be held on 15<sup>th</sup> October.

Fishing clubs planning on hosting an event to celebrate Gone fishing Day can now apply for a \$500 grant from Recfishwest (through the Recreational Fishing Initiatives Fund) to help with the costs of running their event.

All applications must be completed on Recfishwest's Gone Fishing Day \$500 grant application form.

### Types of Activities the \$500 grant can be spent on

- Casting and fishing workshops
- Information sessions
- Community fishing clinic
- Fishing competition
- Activities restoring fish habitat (replanting and/or weeding fishing locations)
- Clean up activity

This includes items such as fishing gear, bait, food and drinks, equipment hire, prizes or chartering of specialist fishing services etc. If you are planning on hosting an event that promotes recreational fishing and is not mentioned above please contact Recfishwest before completing an application form to see if the event is eligible for the \$500 grant.

### Grant funding cannot be spent on:

- Costs associated with the establishment and maintenance of an organisation or staff salary.
- Subsidising commercial ventures or materials developed for a primarily commercial purpose.
- Fishing activities on private land (unless access is open to all members of the public).
- Activities not open to all members of the public (ie. club member only events).
- The hire of equipment owned by organisations' or groups members.
- Events that will occur outside of the Gone fishing day weekend (Oct 14<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup>)

### Guidelines for applicants (who can apply)

- Grants available to incorporated bodies only.  
(Unincorporated groups are ineligible to receive cash payments however may be eligible to receive fishing related products they can use as prizes and giveaways at planned events. If you think this applies to your group please contact Recfishwest on (08) 92463366 before submitting an application form).
- Unincorporated organisations may also apply through a sponsoring organisation, which is an incorporated body, co-operative, or association that has an ABN.
- Incorporated groups (including sponsoring organisation) must have an Australian Business Number (ABN) or have written advice from the Australian Taxation Office that the Withholding Tax does not apply to the grant payment.



### **Role of Recfishwest**

All applications will be reviewed by Recfishwest to ensure the application meets the guidelines.

### **Recfishwest will be responsible for:**

- Calling for applications.
- Assessment of applications to ensure they meet the guidelines.
- Advising applicants of successful / unsuccessful applications.
- Signing of event agreement (Between Recfishwest and successful applicants).
- Disbursement of funds to successful applicants.
- Acquittal of project expenditure as per Recfishwest's acquittal form.

### **Successful applicants will be responsible for:**

- Carrying out event as outlined in application
- Ensuring the event complies with the rules governing recreational fishing.
- Promotion of your event including;
  - Tagging Recfishwest into posts on social media platforms (where appropriate). (The preferred way of acknowledging Recfishwest in social media platforms will be provided in the event agreement).
  - Providing Recfishwest with communication material relevant to the project such as photos/video and a brief write up of the event including activities undertaken, numbers of people who participated and any interesting outcomes from the event.
  - Participating in events Recfishwest may organise that are relevant to promoting the project (such as newspaper and/or radio interview).
- Completing project acquittal form at completion of project.

### **Closing Date**

The application period for the \$500 Gone Fishing Day Grant Program will open Monday 21<sup>st</sup> August 2017 and close on midnight Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> September 2017.

*Recfishwest's \$500 Gone Fishing Day Grant Program is separate from Recfishwest's Small Community Grant Program. Groups who receive the \$500 Gone Fishing Day Grant are encourage to also check the Recfishwest website <http://recfishwest.org.au/our-services/grants/> for details of the next round of the Recfishwest's Small Community Grant Program which is scheduled to open on 21st Aug 2017.*



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