



Berkley Super Series 2022 Grand Final Sydney International Boat Show

Overview

The Berkley Super Series is the premium teams-based bream catch and release fishing tournament in Australia. The Series has seen over one hundred teams chase down big money prizes in some of the finest bream fishing locations on the East Coast of Australia with one ultimate goal in mind - to make the \$10,000 Berkley Super Series Grand Final held in conjunction with the Sydney International Boat Show!

How does it work?

Teams consisting of two anglers have seven hours to catch their biggest five legal sized bream, using lures only. A team may only keep five fish at any one time so the smallest fish is released when a bigger fish is caught, a process known as upgrading. The bream are kept alive onboard each boat in purpose built "live wells" and are presented for weighing via water filled transfer bags. After weighing the bream are returned to the waterway unharmed. The team with the heaviest five bream wins!

Who can enter?

Anyone can enter the qualifying rounds as a team. There are some technical requirements surrounding the boat but basically two people with two rods and the appropriate boat can enter. The boat may be anything from a small tinny to a \$100,000 high performance machine. Boats don't win events, anglers do!

How do you qualify for the Grand Final?

This year five rounds were held at the Hawkesbury River, Botany Bay, Sydney Harbour, Forster and Lake Macquarie. Each team was allocated points based on their finish position in the round. The winning team of each round qualifies automatically for the Grand Final. Subsequently, a team's best four round results are taken and the top twenty placed teams also qualify for the Grand Final.

How do you win the Grand Final?

The Grand Final is won just the same as the round phases – the heaviest bags of bream win! The Grand Final however is held over two days meaning it will be the combined weight of both days. This allows teams to fight back into contention and makes for an exciting finish.

Where can I watch the Grand Final?

The fishing hours are 7am until 2pm on Saturday and Sunday however there are three main spectator events held in conjunction with the Sydney International Boat Show, together with Live Social Media interactions throughout the fishing sessions.

Friday 29th July

At 2pm in front of the Berkley Recovery Tank outside the Harbourside Shopping Precinct in Darling Harbour there will be an introduction to the qualifying teams and an explanation of the Grand Final rules and regulations. This is a great chance to meet some of the country's best lure fisherman and anglers will be happy to answer questions on lure fishing for bream, particularly in Sydney Harbour.

Saturday 30th July

By 2pm the teams will have completed their Day One session with the twenty-five boats berthing in Cockle Bay to have their live bream weighed at the Berkley Recovery Tank. This is a great opportunity to be right amongst the action, seeing the captures close up and getting a sense of the prestige around the Grand Final.

Sunday 31st July

For the final time teams return to Cockle Bay at 2pm. This is the time to see whose bream have reigned supreme and which team will leave the event \$10,000 richer! Always providing for an exciting finish, sometimes just ten grams can make all the difference. A stunning climax in a stunning location is assured!

What are the online options for viewing?

Follow the Berkley Super Series page on Facebook! There will be live video streams from some of the competitors together with live interviews throughout the fishing session. The weigh in will be streamed live together with a live scoreboard.

The Facebook page can be found here –
<https://www.facebook.com/BerkleySuperSeries/>