

# Phippsy back on deck

## It's just like coming home to family year after year

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FOR CELEBRITY chef Andrew Phipps, returning to the HookUp each year is like returning to a family reunion.

"The highlight of this weekend for me is catching up with all the friends I've made over the years here," he said.

Better known as Phippsy, the master chef has spent most of his life on the water fishing, travelling or presenting television shows.

For him, the HookUp is a natural fit.

"I own a restaurant and fishing charter business operating out of Noosa, but this is a pretty special place to come to, the people here are so friendly," he said.

"Plus this event gets bigger and better every year and the volunteers are just amazing."

Along with David 'Hodgie' Hodge, Phippsy will be presenting live cooking and filleting demonstrations, kids fishing clinics and generally having a good time.

"We don't rehearse any-

thing, we just make it up as we go along and insult each other, it's a lot of fun," he said.

There was another highlight for him this year.

"I've been amazed at the young volunteers who keep turning up year after year," he said.

"Some of them are in uni now, but they're still happy to come back to volunteer."

"Plus the new kids are really getting into the spirit of the volunteering and they're chiming up with ideas or solutions at the meetings, which is just great to see."

"They'll learn so much from helping at this event; it'll really build their confidence."

Phippsy turns 58 next week and says he'll keep coming back to HookUp for as long as he can.

"If they keep inviting me I'll keep turning up even if it's just for the comedy relief Hodgie and I provide," he said.

"Look, they've even installed a wheelchair ramp from the back of the stage to the cooking area, so that'll give me a few more years."



CHARACTER: Phippsy presents a cooking demo at Boyne Tannum HookUp 2018.

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### BOYNE TANNUM HOOKUP: DAY 1 RESULTS (FRIDAY)

#### Senior

- Live Flat Head: Daniel Ziesig, 2.150 kg
- Live Whiting: Craig Holt, 0.350kg
- Live Fingermark: Braiden Betzien, 1.740 kg
- Live Mangrove: John Benning, 1.680 kg
- Live Bream: Chad Gilmour, 0.670 kg
- Live Grunter: Brandon Gillett, 2.630 kg
- Live Barramundi: Cameron Gillett, 855 mm
- Salmon: Jason Wendt, 2.290 kg
- Red Emperor: Brad Lawrence, 11.595 kg
- Snapper: Bryan Cook, 2.300 kg
- Spanish Mackerel: Joshua O'donohue, 28.200 kg
- Cobia: Tim Odonnell, 10.645 kg
- Coral Trout: Jonathan Cormack, 5.945 kg
- Parrot Tusk: Johnny Mitchell, 9.300 kg
- Jewfish: Darren Box, 15.405 kg
- Sweetlip: Tim Miller, 2.655 kg
- Large Mouth Nannygai: Andrea Kingsbury, 5.365 kg

#### Junior

- Live Flat Head: Zander Magin, 1.070 kg
- Live Whiting: William Berry, 0.350 kg
- Live Fingermark: Cooper Price, 1.420 kg
- Live Mangrove: Brayden Thorn, 1.505 kg
- Live Bream: Zane Watson, 0.805 kg
- Live Grunter: Thomas Schmidt, 1.835 kg
- Live Barramundi: Joshua Platten, 780 mm
- Salmon: Sienna Baartz, 1.555 kg
- Red Emperor: --
- Snapper: --
- Spanish Mackerel: Daniel Heyden, 12.375 kg
- Cobia: Olivia Mansfield, 11.020 kg
- Coral Trout: Kayden White, 4.525 kg
- Parrot Tusk: Brandon Lynch, 1.715 kg
- Jewfish: Clayton Box, 14.890 kg
- Sweetlip: Brian Brown, 1.710 kg
- Large Mouth Nannygai: Graci Dean, 4.560 kg

## Boyne Tannum HookUp results for Saturday

Junior Leaders for today			
Live Flat Head	Loudon, Liam	avoca	1.595 kg
Live Whiting	Baartz, Dylan	Benaraby	0.310 kg
Live Fingermark	Price, Dylan	South Gladstone	2.340 kg
Live Mangrove	Mckenzie, Carson	West Stowe	1.190 kg
Live Bream	Jaavuo, Blake	TANNUM SANDS	0.930 kg
Live Grunter	Johnston, Luke	Tannum sands	2.870 kg
Live Barramundi	Mitchell, Kai	Tannum Sands	700 mm
Salmon	Popp, Lachlan	Tannum Sands	2.065 kg
Red Emperor	Hinz, Millie	boyne island	4.755 kg
Snapper	O'donohue, Lilly	Tannum Sands	0.590 kg
Spanish Mackerel	Mcguire, Harrison	Gladstone	16.560 kg
Cobia	Burt, Bailey	Svenson heights	9.830 kg
Coral Trout	Kroning, Ryley	Granville	4.220 kg
Parrot Tusk	Delaware, Bailey	Boyne island	2.880 kg

Senior Leaders for today			
Live Flat Head	Fennell, Ryan	Tannum Sands	2.065 kg
Live Whiting	Austin, Lisa	New Auckland	0.300 kg
Live Fingermark	Price, Zachary	South Gladstone	2.340 kg
Live Mangrove	Vickery, Blake	Glen Eden	1.330 kg
Live Bream	Underwood, Rodd	Clinton	0.840 kg
Live Grunter	Vedder, Nathan	Betany	3.510 kg
Live Barramundi	Long, Chris	Glen Eden	1.060 mm
Salmon	Cannolly, Alby	gladstone	2.785 kg
Red Emperor	Sugars, Nathan	Drewvale	11.900 kg
Snapper	Hebbard, Darren	Trangool	0.820 kg
Spanish Mackerel	Surridge, Dan	West Gladstone	16.505 kg
Cobia	Achilles, Troy	North Bundaberg	14.345 kg
Coral Trout	Haack, Angus	Bundaberg	5.020 kg
Parrot Tusk	Mitchell, Katie	Gladstone	3.690 kg
Jew	Wode, Greg	Calliope	19.055 kg
Sweetlip	Thomas, Andrew	Tannum Sands	2.795 kg
Large Mouth Nannygai	Nicholls, Shane	Tannum Sands	7.295 kg



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