

AUF. TRUE PAIRS EVENT. NATIONAL TITLES. VIC2019.

- The pairs event closely follows the rules set down for the Interpacific events.
- Pairs are to use the same safety equipment as the individual event.
- Two divers of similar capability team up and nominate to compete together as a pair.
- The divers may have one gun each & spare guns unloaded on the float.
- The two divers tow one complying float with two rig/towlines attached, one is 4mtrs long and one is maximum 40mtrs long.
- One diver attaches the long line to his gun or person and is allowed to dive and spearfish.
- The other diver holds onto the short line and tows the float always staying within 30mtrs of the spearer whilst on the surface. Whilst the spearing diver is down the float diver must do his best to stay above the spearer and be aware of their position at all times.
- Both persons are not allowed to be submerged below the surface at the same time. Penalty is disqualification.
- Both divers can assist each other in any way they need to but must do so in a safe manner.
- The two divers swap duties of spearing or towing to suit themselves.
- The float diver on the surface may shoot fish from the surface but must not dive, let go of the short float-line or endanger the spearing diver in any way.
- It's not mandatory but recommended that the float also be equipped with a coiled 50mtr light line and small drop weight in case the float diver feels the need to immediately search and possibly dive to locate the spearing diver. If deployed it would anchor the float in the proximity of the potential search area as a reference point.
- The pair are allowed to take only one of each specie on the scoresheet between them and it does not matter who spears the catch.
- It's also recommended that the pair work in depths and conditions where, either one could rescue the other in an emergency situation.
- Never risk your life or that of another for the sake of a fish.