

FISHING REPORT

Weekend Fishing 'Weathered Out'

BY DOUG RUTTER

Steady rainfall on Saturday, a cold blast on Sunday and stiff winds both days did not add up to an enjoyable weekend of fishing in the South Brunswick Islands.

The nasty weather gave spots and other fall favorites a temporary reprieve, but area fishing experts expect conditions to pick up inshore and offshore this week as the weather improves.

"It was pretty good up until the weekend," Curtis Williamson of Ocean Isle Beach Fishing Pier said Monday. "It was good Thursday and Friday, but it's been slow since then."

Williamson said foul weather over the weekend kept most of the fishermen indoors. "Yesterday it was so cold and the water was so rough that people weren't even trying."

The spot fishing was better a few miles west at Sunset Beach Fishing Pier. Spokesman Ed Kayler said anglers continued to catch spots through the rain and cold.

"It's kind of cold, but they're catching fish," Kayler reported Monday morning. "We got weathered out a little bit over the weekend, but we had a great week."

Kayler said spot fishing was excellent last week. "We had people out here catching fish yesterday, but they got weathered out and left," he added.

Gil Bass of Holden Beach Fishing Pier said anglers caught spots, flounder and spottailed drum last week.

"They're not jumping on the pier, but they're still catching some fish," Bass said Monday. "They're still catching some spots, and I feel good about more coming."

Bass said the "old-timers" say the spots are running near Morehead City and should be at Holden Beach soon. "I'm hoping by the weekend that big run will be here," he said.

Williamson said he expects a good week at Ocean Isle Beach Pier. "It's supposed to warm up, and that will make a difference," he said.

Sheffield's

John Sheffield of Sheffield's store at Ocean Isle Beach said fishermen caught speckled trout, flounder and spots last week.

Judy Kiser of Charlotte caught eight flounder on Saturday, including one that weighed 3.5 pounds.

"The flounder have started showing up pretty good," Sheffield said. "They're catching a lot of speckled trout."

Sheffield said spot fishing slowed down last week. "The spots have tapered off here right now. There's some but not as many as there was."

Sheffield said the only good day for offshore fishing last week was Friday. David Hooks Jr. of Ocean Isle Beach caught several nice king mackerel in the 20-pound range.

"I believe the offshore fishing will be good this week if the weather cooperates," Sheffield said.

Tripp's Fishing Center

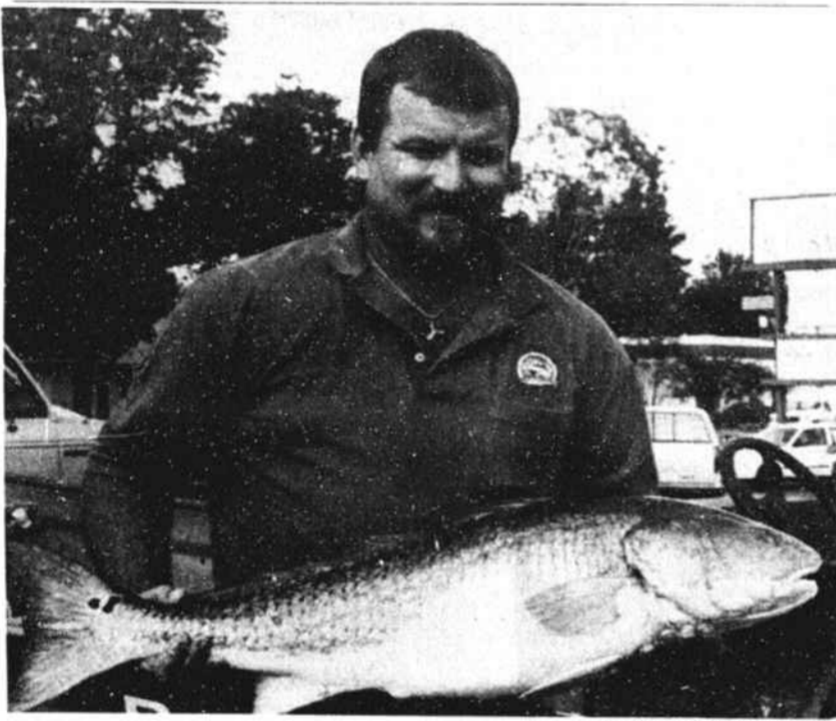
Anglers caught spots, spottailed drum and speckled trout last week out of Shallotte Point, said Joyce Land of Tripp's Fishing Center.

In the ocean, she said fishermen caught king mackerel, black bass and a few bluefish.

"It's slow right now," Land reported Monday. "I hope it picks back up. We haven't had our run of spot yet."



THOMAS RODDEY of Charlotte caught this 85-pound wahoo during a recent trip on the Sea Wolfe. The fight lasted about one hour and 15 minutes.



Worth The Trip

John Sullivan of Holden Beach was fishing for trout on the Yaupon Reef off Oak Island last Wednesday morning when he landed this 26.5-pound drum, using mullet as bait. "This was the only thing we caught," said Sullivan, "but it was worth the trip out there."

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This Week's Tide Table

NOVEMBER

Day	Date	High	Low
Thursday	4	10:36 A.M.	4:25 P.M.
Friday	5	11:27 A.M.	5:14 P.M.
Saturday	6	12:22 A.M.	6:09 P.M.
Sunday	7	12:57 A.M.	7:13 P.M.
Monday	8	2:04 A.M.	8:21 P.M.
Tuesday	9	3:11 A.M.	9:28 P.M.
Wednesday	10	4:14 A.M.	10:30 P.M.

ADJUSTMENTS
 SHALLOTTE INLET—add 17 min.
 high tide, add 32 min. low tide.
 LOCKWOOD FOLLY—subtract 22 min. high tide, subtract 8 min. low tide.
 BALD HEAD ISLAND—subtract 10 min. high tide, subtract 7 min. low tide.
 SOUTHPORT—add 7 min. high tide, add 15 min. low tide.
 LITTLE RIVER—subtract 11 min. high tide, add 18 min. low tide.

King Tournament Slated Saturday

The Lockwood Folly King Mackerel Tournament was rained out last weekend and has been re-scheduled for Friday and Saturday out of Holden Beach.

A captain's meeting will be held Friday at 7:30 p.m. at Intracoastal Marina. The fishing competition will be Saturday, said Clayton Robinson.

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