

Clewis, Rehder Take First Place In World's Largest King Tournery

BY JAMIE MILLIKEN

A Brunswick County fishing team struck gold in Florida! Capt. Earl Clewis and longtime fishing partner Stanley Rehder loaded up Earl's boat *Live Wire* and headed her on down to the world's largest king mackerel tournament—the Greater Jacksonville King Tournament. As usual, this year's event was another sell-out, with 1,000 boats.



CAPTAIN JAMIE'S OFFSHORE FISHING REPORT

Earl and Stanley located the fish 60 miles north of Jacksonville and off the coast of Georgia. I guarantee that the long run did not bother them, because the fishing was really hot for them. Their 77-pound aggregate weight (3 fish) won them first place—and a pile

of green dust goes with that. I hear you, Earl! I get so excited to hear about "home boys" doing well. I just can't stand it.

Our sailfish run is in full swing. Last week I know of four sailfish being caught and thankfully released. Two of these came from McGlammy Reef off Long Beach and one came offshore aboard Dan Kinlaw's *Lady Kaye*. The other sailfish was caught off Carolina Beach.

It is the time of year that our sailfishing really cranks up. So the next time you're dragging a live pogie, don't be too surprised to see a "lit up" sailfish flashing your bait like Zorro in a Mexican army compound.

They key is to use a light drag when fishing these fish. Fight him in the same way you would a big smoker king, and chances are you will bring him to the boat. Once he's at the boat, remove the hook as quickly as possible and push him back and forward by his bill until he gets his strength back.

Do not turn him loose if he is turning upside down. Just keep working with him. I guarantee that you will be mighty proud when that big cycle tail fires up and he swims away!

The catch of the week goes to Robin "Snapper" King, captain of the *Rocking Robin*. Snapper was slow-trolling a live bait at Shallotte Inlet Sunday when a 70-pound cobia inhaled his bait. Wow! I know that was a fight. All right, Snapper, with all that prime cobia meat in your refrigerator, I am standing ready for the fish fry!

Well, as you can tell, the fishing is wonderful, and I wish you were beautiful! Just kidding—until next time, good fishin' and good luck, "Jolly Mon."

SAT., AUGUST 27

Brunswick Bassmasters Planning Team Tournery

Brunswick County Bassmasters are planning their fifth annual team bass tournament Saturday, Aug. 27, on the Northeast Cape Fear River at Castle Hayne.

The tournament is open to all anglers age 16 or older who have a valid North Carolina fishing license. The fishing will start at first light and end at 3 p.m., and scores will be based on the total weight of the large-mouth bass caught by each team. Teams will be limited to 10 fish.

The entry fee is \$50 per team and 80 percent of the fees, after expenses, will be paid back in the form of cash prizes.

The winning team will receive 30 percent of the fees and a trophy, while second place wins 20 percent and a trophy. Other prizes are 15 percent for third place, 10 percent for fourth and 5 percent for fifth.

Each team also will have the option of entering the "big fish" competition for an additional \$10 fee. The winning team will receive all of those fees.

Late entry will be accepted at the check-in point, and there will be no late entry fee.

For more information, call Doug Todd at 842-7021, Roy Todd at 842-6864 or Doug Hewett at 754-6528.

Myrtle Beach Open Aug. 4-6

Holden Beach Marina will be one of three weigh-in stations for the Bill Spencer-Myrtle Beach Open King Mackerel Tournament scheduled Aug. 4-6.

Weigh stations also will be located at Marlin Quay Marina in Murrells Inlet, S.C., and Georgetown Landing Marina in Georgetown, S.C.

The entry fee for the second annual fishing tournament is \$300 per boat.

Captains' meetings will be held Thursday, Aug. 4, at 6 p.m. at Holden Beach Marina and Voyager's View Marina in Murrells Inlet.

The fishing days are Friday and Saturday, Aug. 5 and 6. Awards will be presented Saturday at 8 p.m. at Voyager's View.

Cash awards will be presented for the 15 largest king mackerel, with the amount of prizes depending on the number of entries.



GARY COLEMAN of Charlotte caught his limit of 10 speckled trout recently at Ocean Isle Beach Fishing Pier.



SEAN WATERS of East Aurora, N.Y., caught this 31-pound king mackerel on a recent trip aboard the *Job Site* out of Ocean Isle Beach.

Kings, Dolphin Caught Offshore, Spots Still Biting At Area Piers

BY DOUG RUTTER

Fishermen caught lots of king mackerel and dolphin off the Brunswick County coast last week, while spots were plentiful at the local piers.

"Even with the wind blowing the ones that went out did real well," said Jesse Hayes of Captain Pete's Seafood at Holden Beach.

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"It kept some of the smaller boats in. They had a pretty good weekend," Hayes said Monday.

Anglers found lots of kings about 18 miles offshore, including some in the 40-pound range. Hayes said the dolphin weren't much farther outside, about 23 miles.

Spanish mackerel fishing was decent for the first time in a few weeks, Hayes said, and fishermen pulled flounder from the inlets at both ends of Holden Beach.

Hayes also reported catches of spots and croaker inshore and grouper offshore.

Sheffield's
Fishermen caught blues and speckled trout inshore and king mackerel and dolphin offshore last week, said John Sheffield of Sheffield's store at Ocean Isle Beach.

"We haven't had no real spectacular catches, but it's been pretty good

fishing for as hot as it's been," Sheffield said. "We had a few citation-size king mackerel here last week."

Sheffield said fishermen have been catching blues in the surf. Anglers also landed some Spanish mackerel last week.

Pier Fishing
For mid-July, pier fishing was pretty good last weekend as anglers caught an abundance of spots.

"They caught a whole bunch of spots over the weekend, like cooler-fuls," Ed Kayler of Sunset Beach Fishing Pier said Monday.

Kayler also reported catches of whiting and flounder. A 24-pound king mackerel was caught at Sunset Beach Pier last week.

Milton Williams of Ocean Isle Beach Fishing Pier said anglers caught spots, whiting, speckled trout, flounder, pompano and sheepshead last week.

"It's been pretty good this weekend. Spots and whiting have started up again," Williams said.

This Week's Tide Table

		HIGH		LOW	
Day	Date	A.M.	P.M.	A.M.	P.M.
Thursday	21	7:20	8:00	1:20	1:26
Friday	22	8:15	8:50	2:11	2:17
Saturday	23	9:06	9:36	2:58	3:06
Sunday	24	9:54	10:20	3:43	3:52
Monday	25	10:39	11:02	4:26	4:37
Tuesday	26	11:23	11:43	5:07	5:21
Wednesday	27	—	12:07	5:49	6:06

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.

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