

This Week In Brunswick Sports

THURSDAY, AUGUST 25

- ☐ West Brunswick hosts Hoggard in girls' tennis, 4 p.m.
- ☐ North Brunswick hosts West Brunswick in soccer, 4:30 p.m.
- ☐ West Brunswick hosts Laney in volleyball, 5 p.m.
- ☐ South Brunswick hosts North Brunswick in volleyball, 5 p.m.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 26

- ☐ South Brunswick hosts West Brunswick in varsity football, 7:30 p.m.
- ☐ North Brunswick hosts Topsail in varsity football, 7:30 p.m.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 27

- ☐ Brunswick County Parks and Recreation Department will hold registration for youth football and cheerleading at Shallotte Park, Northwest Park and Stevens Park from 10 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. Fee is \$20 per child. For information, call Joe Rosselli, 253-4357.
- ☐ Brunswick County Parks and Recreation Department will hold registration for youth soccer at Shallotte Middle School, Smithville Park and Northwest Park from 10 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. Fee is \$10 per child. For information, call Joe Rosselli, 253-4357.

MONDAY, AUGUST 29

- ☐ West Brunswick hosts South Columbus in girls' tennis, 4 p.m.
- ☐ North Brunswick hosts East Columbus in volleyball, 5 p.m.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 30

- ☐ West Brunswick at Hoggard in girls' tennis, 4 p.m.
- ☐ West Brunswick at South Columbus in volleyball, 5 p.m.
- ☐ West Brunswick at Laney in soccer, 7 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 31

- ☐ West Brunswick hosts Pender in girls' tennis, 4 p.m.
- ☐ South Brunswick hosts West Columbus in girls' tennis, 4 p.m.
- ☐ North Brunswick hosts West Brunswick in volleyball, 5 p.m.

This week's listings include events reported to the *Beacon*. To list a sporting activity call 754-6890 or write to Doug Rutter, *The Brunswick Beacon*, P.O. Box 2558, Shallotte, N.C. 28459.

King Classic Offers \$100,000

More than \$100,000 in cash prizes will be up for grabs in three weeks when fishermen invade local waters for the 1994 South Brunswick Islands King Classic.

The popular king mackerel fishing tournament is scheduled Sept. 15-17, a change from previous years when it was held Labor Day weekend. Tournament headquarters also have been moved to Holden Beach Marina.

Tournament activities will start Thursday, Sept. 15, with captains' meetings at the marina at 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. A representative of each boat must attend one of the meetings to pick up a boat identification number and rules.

The fishing competition will be held Friday and Saturday, Sept. 16 and 17. All king mackerel will be weighed in at Holden Beach Marina between 2 p.m. and 5:30 p.m. each day.

Tournament prizes, including \$15,000 to the angler who catches the heaviest king mackerel, will be presented Saturday at 7:30 p.m. at the marina.

Other top awards will include \$6,000 for second place, \$3,000 for third and \$1,500 for fourth. Fishermen will receive \$750 for fifth through 18th place and \$500 for 19th through 30th place.

The entry fee will be \$200 per boat through Sept. 8 and \$250 after that date. Fishermen also can participate in a "tournament within a tournament" and add to their potential winnings for an extra \$100.

The King Classic is a Southern Kingfish Association 1994 tournament trail participating event and is sponsored by the South Brunswick Islands Chamber of Commerce.

For more information, write to the chamber at P.O. Box 1380, Shallotte, N.C. 28459 or call 910-754-6644 or 1-800-426-6644.

FISHING REPORT

Bad Weather, Wind Continue To Spoil Offshore Fishing

BY DOUG RUTTER

Last week was another tough one for local fishermen as storms and wind continued making it difficult to do anything offshore.

"It's kind of the same old story," Gary Carr of Holden Beach Marina said Monday. "They get out a few times and catch a few fish. There's nothing really on fire."

Carr said anglers caught flounder and sheepshead inshore and king mackerel and bottom fish when they could get offshore.

"The biggest problem is the weather and the wind and all the storms we've had coming through," Carr said. "It's been a tough year for the wind."

Tripp's Fishing Center

Fishermen out of Tripp's Fishing Center caught lots of flounder and Spanish mackerel last week, said spokesperson Joyce Land.

"The flounder did fairly decent through the weekend with spots and croakers," she said Monday.

Billy Cook of Whiteville landed 20 Spanish mackerel on Sunday, according to Land.

"I had one or two king fishermen out but they didn't do too much," she said. "The Spanish was biting."

Ocean Isle Marina

Ken Shipley of Ocean Isle Marina said the recent slow fishing continued last week as fishermen dealt with unfavorable conditions offshore.

"Fishing is still slow on account of the weather," Shipley said Monday. "It's been very rough because of the wind, and with all the rain we've had there's too much fresh water."

Due to the conditions, Shipley said anglers caught little more than a few Spanish mackerel outside. Charters boats caught shark, while black sea bass were landed on head boats.

"There's been a few flounder, some sheepshead, some catfish showing up," he added. "It shows signs of picking up. This past week a lot of flounder showed up. There's



BLADENBORO FISHERMEN (from left) Burmon Porter, Jerry Sweat and Greg Johnson hold two grouper and a hog snapper caught last Friday on the *Intimidator*.

a lot of bait in the area."

Pier Fishing

There's no reason to get excited yet, but it shouldn't be long before pier fishermen start filling their coolers with yellow-belly spots.

"I understand they are up north coming this way," Gil Bass of Holden Beach Fishing Pier said Monday. "So they should be here in a few weeks."

Last week, Bass said anglers pulled in a few spots along with flounder, pompano and whiting.

"It has picked up a little bit," Bass said. "It's just beginning to improve."

Fishermen were catching some large spots Monday morning at Sunset Beach Pier, said manager Ed Kayler.

"They're catching a few out there

right now," he said. "Not that many but they're pretty good size."

Anglers also reeled in some big flounder and pompano last week at Sunset Beach.

Anglers at Ocean Isle Beach Fishing Pier caught mostly flounder and trout last week, said Debbie Condry.

Fishermen pulled in several flounder than weighed 4½ pounds each and several good-sized sheepshead.

Condry also reported catches of whiting and a few spots. "They've been catching catfish after dark," she said.

Boating Course Begins Sept. 8

The U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary will sponsor its Boating Skills and Seamanship Course beginning Sept. 8 at 7:30 p.m. at the Oak Island Coast Guard Station.

For more information, call (910)278-4136 or (910)278-6889.

Brunswick Rivers Closed To Harvest

Portions of the Lockwood Folly and Shallotte rivers remained temporarily closed to shellfish harvesting Tuesday.

The N.C. Division of Marine Fisheries closed the local waters last Friday due to heavy rainfall, which washes bacterial pollution into coastal waters.

Closed waters in Lockwood Folly upstream of a line between Howells Point and Channel Marker 1. Waters upstream of a line between Bowen Point and Long Point in Shallotte River also were closed.



DENNIS RICHBURG of Moncks Corner, S.C., landed this 12-pound hog snapper last Saturday aboard the *Alice E.*

This Week's Tide Table

Day	Date	HIGH		LOW	
		A.M.	P.M.	A.M.	P.M.
Thursday	25	11:26	11:42	5:10	5:32
Friday	26	—	12:06	5:50	6:14
Saturday	27	12:20	12:49	6:31	7:01
Sunday	28	1:02	1:37	7:17	7:53
Monday	29	1:51	2:30	8:08	8:51
Tuesday	30	2:47	3:27	9:04	9:52
Wednesday	31	3:47	4:24	10:03	10:51

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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