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HAPPY NEW YEAR!!

Wishing All A Safe, Healthy and Fish-**Filled 2022**



January Meeting

Tuesday, January 18

In Person at NC State University Club Swap Meet and 2021 Awards Recognition Members should have received a Sign-up Genius Email to reserve a swap meet table and a meal for the meeting

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2022 RSWSC CALENDAR (So Far)

1/14-16 Bass/Saltwater Expo Raleigh Fairgrounds

1/18 Members Meeting (SWAP Meet; Awards at NCSU Faculty Club)

1/24 Officers Meeting

2/22 Members Meeting (Zoom w/Capt. Noah Lynk; Targeting Winter Reds)

3/1 Officers Meeting

3/15 Members Meeting (Cameron Wright; Southern Surf Caster @ Gizmo Brewery)

3/22 Officers Meeting

3/26 Shad Outing (Weldon Ramp; Boats and/or Bank Fishing)

If you have any topic you would like to see covered in 2022, Captains who would like to talk to the club, have a particularly type of salt water fishing or species you target and would like to share with the Club, etc., please contact one of the Board Members.

Welcome to Our Newest Members Who Joined at the Boat Show!

Larry Barbour and Family from Willow Spring **Joe Caldwell and Family** from Raleigh

Michael Flowers and Family from Eastover

Dean and Ethan Keiswetter and Family from Raleigh

Robert Littleton from Raleigh

Jim McMahon from Durham

Jason Merchant and Family from Raleigh

Please make a point to reach out to our newest members at the meetings to make them welcomed and encourage them to participate in the upcoming outings and Club tournaments.

And thanks to all the members who worked the Boat Show.

New Year's Resolution for Members

Please send in your fishing reports, Fish Cards and photos to share with members in 2022.

The Newsletters are much better with fishing reports and photos.

Dates, locations (general @), tackle, bait and tips are greatly appreciated.

Cudos to the BS Fishing Team (Past Presidents and Life Members Jeff **B**ecker and Jim **S**trickland) for all their contributions in 2021



Best Catches in 2021

Charter: Fred Adams 32.6# Wahoo

Small Boat: Speckled Trout: Kevin Clemmer 20"

Surf: Jeff Becker 42" King mackerel ~ 20 lbs

Non-NC: ? Greg Brissette cubera snapper

Tourney / Outing Winners - Recap

February – Striper: Greg Brissette 24" Striped bass

March – Robert Carroll and crew

April – Atlantic Bonito: None caught

May – Mahi: Mike Cotton and crew

June – Spanish: Greg Brissette and crew

July – King Mackerel: Ron Reijerkirk and crew

August – Old Drum: Chuck Ward and crew

October - Surf: Bernie McCants 20" bluefish

November – Speckled Trout: Kevin Clemmer 20"



Kevin's trout



Fred's Wahoo

Late fish cards:

Greg Brissette

Charter: 28lb. Wahoo caught 10/4/21. Small Boat: 25lb Mahi caught 5/26/21.

Kevin Clemmer

Small Boat - Speckle trout caught Nov. 8, 2021 Small Boat - Red drum, 18" caught Sept. 8, 2021

Fred Adams

Charter: Wahoo 32.6# Caught October 4, 2021



Fred and Trip Adams with late season speckled trout from Queen's Creek

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Anglers Needed For Ocracoke Surf Tourney

Dates are April 24 to May 1.

Six-Person Team Tournament on Thursday and Friday, April 28 & 29.

Cost is \$500 for the week including tournament fees.

Pretty much inclusive except for bait.

Visitors during the week are \$50.00 a night.

Great way for newer members to form friendships with established members and share and receive surf fishing tackle and tips.

RSWSFC has a good record for this tournament over the years.

Contact Tommy Walls at 919-325-6529

Tackle for Sale

Bill Mandulak has sold his Pursuit *Bait & Sea* and has some well maintained offshore tackle for sale

- 3 Avet gold 2 speed 30W reels @ \$250 each
- 2 Penn 15 KG 2 speed 30W @ \$180 each
- 3 Shimano TLD 20 @ \$80 each

Rods to match @ \$60 -\$80

Offshore artificial trolling baits \$10 - \$15

Offshore ballyhoo rigs \$5 - \$10.

Contact Bill Mandulak @ 919-345-2280 or email wreelfun@gmail.com

List of Marine Fish Species of NC - 747of 'em!

This was provided by Dan Cooney. Fascinating list of species of marine fishing known to occur in NC inshore and offshore waters.

Of interest, 18 species in the drum family and 20 species in the lefteved flounder family

Maybe something to check out on a cold dreary winter's day.

https://ncfishes.com/

Photo gallery of more frequent occurring species:

https://ncfishes.com/marine-fishes-of-north-carolina/marine-fishes-gallery/

Boating Safety Tip

Think most boats should have a swim platform, but if swim platform/ladder not available nice tip to recover a man (person) overboard. (MOB.).

Another option for MOB, is to turn motor off, have MOB stand on the ventilation plate and trim motor up. Perhaps better for a smaller, more fit MOB.

Very cool, quick and easy trick to save your back while saving a life.

Having spent my entire life on the river I've never seen this wonderful important safety trick....I hoisted many people out of the water and killed my back ,but this is special..hope this helps someone someday!



RSWSFC King Mackeral Tournament

The 2021 KMT was once again affected by weather pushing the tournament date out until the first weekend of December date after the planned July 7-8 cancellation due to small craft warning. Because of this, tournament participation was deeply affected, however, we did see 6 boats weighing fish and paid out over \$11k in prizes.

The fish that were weighed in were big, with 7 of the 11 fish coming in over 40lbs and the big fish of the tournament weighing in at a whopping 57.15 lbs on the *Windy Conditions*.

1st Place—Matt Pierce and crew on the Surf & Turf—91.95lbs \$2,034

2nd Place—Henry Tillet and crew on *Windy Conditions* - 91.5lbs \$6,753 (won High Stakes TWT)

3rd Place—Glen Krofchick and crew on *Reel "em Up/Little John*—83.85lbs \$1,168

4th Place—Chris Wilkins and crew on Sea Dub - 83.45lbs \$550

5th Place—Charles Dew and crew on *Reel Pleasure* 65.45lbs \$337

6th Place—John Parks and crew on *Team Animal House* 21.8lbs* \$306

* Only weighed one fish



















NOTE: This listing is published for informational purposes and has no legal force or effect. Fishery regulations are subject to change.

For updated information, visit www.safmc.net, download our mobile app or call 843-571-4366

List of Species

SNAPPERS Lane Snapper Yellowtail Snapper Gray Snapper Mutton Snapper Vermilion Snapper Red Snapper

Queen Snapper

Blackfin Snapper Cubera Snapper

Silk Snapper

TILEFISHES Golden Tilefish Blueline Tilefish

Sand Tilefish
PORGYS
Red

Jolthead Saucereye Whitebone Knobbed Longspine* Scup

TRIGGERFISH Gray Ocean*

GRUNTS
White Grunt
Margate
Tomtate
Cottonwick*

Sailors Choice

GROUPERS

Gag
Scamp
Red Grouper
Black Grouper
Speckled Hind
Snowy Grouper
Warsaw Grouper
Wreckfish
Rock Hind
Graysby
Yellowedge Grouper
Coney
Red Hind
Goliath Grouper
Misty Grouper
Yellowmouth Grouper
Yellowmouth Grouper

JACKS

Greater Amberjack Bar Jack Almaco Jack Lesser Amberjack Banded Rudderfish

Yellowfin Grouper

SEA BASSES Black Sea Bass Bank Sea Bass* Rock Sea Bass*

SPADEFISH Spadefish

WRASSES Hogfish

*Ecosystem Species

Recreational Closures - CURRENT			
Species	Effective Date of Closure	Harvest Reopens	
Red Snapper	July 12, 2021	If determined allowed by NOAA Fisheries, then July 8, 2022	
Blueline Tilefish	September 1, 2021	May 1, 2022	
Snowy Grouper	September 1, 2021	May 1, 2022	
Wreckfish	September 1, 2021	July 1, 2022	
Hogfish (E. FL & FL Keys)	November 1, 2021	May 1, 2022	
Shallow Water Grouper	January 1, 2022	May 1, 2022 (except red grouper in the	

*Shallow Water Grouper (gag, black grouper, scamp, red hind, rock hind,yellowmouth grouper, yellowfin grouper, graysby, coney, red grouper - note: red grouper in NC & SC remains closed through the month of May)

Carolinas which reopen June

1, 2022)

Additional Notes:

- The sale of bag-limit caught snapper grouper species is prohibited.
- Recreational and commercial fishermen are required to have a <u>descending device</u> on board and readily available for use
 when fishing for or possessing snapper and grouper species in federal waters of the South Atlantic. Descending devices
 must be attached to at least 16 ounces of weight and at least 60 ft of line.
- Recreational and commercial fishermen are required to use dehooking tools when fishing for snapper grouper species.
- The use of non-offset, non-stainless steel circle hooks is required for all species in the snapper grouper complex when using hook-and-line gear with natural baits in waters north of 28 degrees N, latitude.
- Non-stainless steel hooks are required when using hook-and-line gear with natural baits when fishing for snapper and grouper species south of 28 degrees N. latitude.
- All species in the snapper grouper complex must be maintained with heads and fins intact. (Cobia, king mackerel, Spanish mackerel, dolphin, and wahoo must also be landed with heads and fins intact.)
- Goliath & Nassau grouper must be released by cutting the line and not removing the fish from the water.

Know Before You Go! Download the FREE Fish Rules App for federal regulations in the South Atlantic!



Aggregate Grouper Bag Limit Three (3) groupers per person/day includes:

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Species:	Addtional Notes:	
Gag grouper Black grouper	Maximum of 1 gag or black grouper (BUT NOT BOTH) per person per day	
Snowy grouper	Snowy grouper limited to 1 per VESSEL per day (Season is May through August only; closed September through April)	
Golden Tilefish	Maximum of 1 golden tilefish per person per day	
Blueline Tilefish	Maximum of 3 blueline tilefish per person per day (Season is May through August only; closed September through April)	
Misty, Red, Scamp, Yellowedge, Yellowfin, Yellowmouth, Sand Tilefish, Coney, Graysby, Red Hind, and Rock Hind	All included in Aggregate Grouper Bag Limit under the 3 per person per day limit.	

Additional Regulations for Specific Snapper Grouper Species In addition to the aggregate snapper bag limits, fishermen may retain: Species: Bag Limit: Greater Amberjack 1 per person/day (In April, for-hire limited to 1/person/day or 1/person/trip,) Hogfish 1/person/day, E. FL & FL Keys; 2/person/day in NC, SC, GA Red Porgy 3 per person/day OR 3 per person/trip, whichever is more restrictive Vermilion Snapper 5 per person/day

Aggregate Snapper Bag Limit

Ten (10) snapper per person/day

*includes blackfin, cubera, gray, lane, mutton, queen, silk, & yellowtail

- Mutton Snapper: included in the 10 snapper aggregate but you may only retain 5 mutton snappers per person per day
- · Cubera Snapper Regulations:
 - Fish ≥ 30-inches Total Length (TL) =
 Maximum of 2 cubera per person (not to
 exceed 2 per/vessel) off Florida. These are
 not included in the 10 snapper bag limit.
 - Fish < 30" TL = Included in the 10 fish bag limit

Other Snapper Grouper Complex Species

20 Fish Aggregate Bag Limit

There is an aggregate bag limit of 20 fish per person inclusive of the following species: whitebone porgy, jolthead porgy, knobbed porgy, saucereye porgy, scup, gray triggerfish, bar jack, almaco jack, banded rudderfish, lesser amberjack, white grunt, margate, sailor's choice, Atlantic spadefish.

Within the aggregate bag limit, an angler may retain 10 fish of any one species.

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Summary of Recreational Regulations - Commonly Caught South Atlantic Snapper Grouper Species

Species - Common Name	Size Limit	Harvest Status/Bag Limits/ Other Regulations
Black Grouper*	24-in TL	CLOSED: Included in 3 Grouper Aggregate bag limit with 1 gag or black (not both) per person/day
Black Sea Bass	13-in TL	OPEN; 7 fish/person/day; Fishing year runs from April 1 - March 31 annually
Cubera Snapper	12-in TL	OPEN; 2 per person (not to exceed 2 per vessel) for fish 30" TL or larger off East Florida; Fish < 30" TL included in 10 Snapper Aggregate bag limit
Gag*	24-in TL	CLOSED: Included in 3 Grouper Aggregate bag limit with 1 gag or black (not both) per person/day
Gray Snapper (Mangrove)	12-in TL	OPEN; Included in 10 Snapper Aggregate bag limit
Gray Triggerfish	12-in FL	OPEN; Included in 20 Fish Aggregate Bag Limit
Greater Amberjack	28-in FL (no coring)	OPEN; 1 per person/day; (In April, for-hire/charter vessels limited to 1 per person/day or 1 per person/trip.);
Hogfish	16-in FL (<i>E. FL & FL Keys</i>) 17-in FL (<i>NC,SC, GA</i>)	CLOSED in E. FL and Florida Keys, 1 fish/person/day in E. FL (Seasonal Closure November 1 - April 30) OPEN in NC, SC, GA, 2 fish/person/day in NC, SC, GA
Mutton Snapper	18-in TL	OPEN; 5 per person per day; Included in 10 Snapper Aggregate bag limit
Red Grouper*	20-in TL	CLOSED in GA & E. FL; Included in 3 Grouper Aggregate bag limit CLOSED in NC & SC; Included in 3 Grouper Aggregate bag limit
Red Porgy	14-in TL	OPEN; 3 per person/day OR 3 per person/trip, whichever is more restrictive
Red Snapper	No minimum size	CLOSED; 1 per person/day July 9, 10, & 11, 2021
Scamp*	20-in TL	OPEN; Included in 3 Grouper Aggregate bag limit
Snowy Grouper	None	CLOSED; Included in the 3 Grouper Aggregate bag limit with a 1 fish/VESSEL/day limit (Seasonal closure Sept 1 - April 30)
Tilefish, Blueline	None	CLOSED (Seasonal closure Sept 1- Apr 30 annually); Included in the 3 Grouper Aggregate bag limit with a 3 fish/person/day limit
Tilefish, Golden	None	OPEN; Included in the 3 Grouper Aggregate bag limit with a 1 fish/person/day limit
Vermilion Snapper	12-in TL	OPEN; 5 fish/person/day
Yellowedge Grouper	None	OPEN; Included in the 3 Grouper Aggregate bag limit
Yellowfin Grouper*	20-in TL	CLOSED ;Included in 3 Grouper Aggregate bag limit
Yellowmouth Grouper*	20-in TL	CLOSED; Included in 3 Grouper Aggregate bag limit
Yellowtail Snapper	12-in TL	OPEN; Included in 10 Snapper Aggregate bag limit

^{*}Indicates species included in the Annual Shallow-water Grouper Spawning Season Closure January 1 through April 30, except for red grouper in NC & SC, which will remain closed through May 31.

The following species are closed to possession or harvest:

Goliath Grouper
Nassau Grouper
Speckled Hind
Warsaw Grouper

Sea Turtle Release Gear Requirements: For-hire vessels fishing for snapper grouper species and possessing a federal for-hire permit must have onboard NMFS approved sea turtle release gear and follow release protocols. For more information, call 727-824-5312 or visit, http://sero.nmfs.noaa.gov/sustainable_fisheries/gulf_sa/turtle_sawfish_release/index.html

Quota monitoring information for the recreational annual catch limits is available from NOAA Fisheries: http://sero.nmfs.noaa.gov/sustainable_fisheries/acl_monitoring/recreational_sa/index.html

Website & Social Media Report—Tripp Adams

Newsletters and Communication:

All other communication is managed through our listserv. Keep an eye out for meeting, newsletter, outing, etc. related emails.

You will also be received the monthly Newsletter.

Be sure to check your spam! Your first few emails could get caught up there..

Lastly – The club website has past newsletters, our events calendar, and club forum. Some features require you to register as a site member. Follow the instructions below to sign up.

- 1) Visit https://www.rswsc.org/
- 2) In the top right corner, select 'Log in'
- 3) Select 'Sign Up'
- 4) Select a method for registering. Your options are Facebook, Google, or your personal Email
- 4B) Be sure to select, 'Join site community' for event updates and forum access.
- 5) If using your personal email, you will need to create a password

Club Website Improvements — from Tripp Adams:

With the help from Tom Zemonek and Janson Fant, the club has a new website. We launched the new RSWSC website in November of 2020.

Built on a different platform from the old site, the club site now has a more updated and professional look/ feel. You will notice many of the tabs from the original site are the similar, with only a few key differences. Users will experience much faster load times and, a webpage made to fit mobile devices.

One key addition to the new website is the 'Meetings and Outings' tab. https://www.rswsc.org/meetings-and-outings

As the outings calendar is planned and updated, events will be added to the page. We also plan to have virtual club meetings in 2021, which will have meeting information listed. As the club grows into the new site, there is functionality to manage event registration, and event specific communication. These are transitions from our current procedures and will be adopted over time.

The other new feature is the 'Forum' tab. https://rswsc.org/forum visitors to the website will have to make an account to access the information. The idea behind the forum is that, this will be a great way for members to interact with each other, especially during these quarantine times. Several message board topics have already been created in the forum; members can post pictures, experiences with guide services, baits/tactics, etc. This will also be a great way for members to meet other club member who have experience in their area of the coast.

As we continue to grow into the new website, you may notice changes along the way. While much of the site was built before it was published, there are always new features that can be added or adjusted. in the long term the site should be able to handle club communication for both emails and social media postings. Some of this will be a "learn as we go" process so, bear with us.

We are open to feedback on the new website. Please do not hesitate to reach out to me with questions, suggestions, and/or recommendations. Email me at tripp.adams@field2base.com



RSWSC T-Shirts

The price for short sleeve t-shirts is \$20 each See next page for pictures. The price for the long sleeve Performance T-shirts is \$35 We paid from \$15.65 to \$19.75 for the short sleeve shirts (smaller shirts cost less while larger shirts cost us more). Performance long sleeves were also more expensive at \$28/ We also paid a tax and processing fee of \$200. So this is almost break even pricing.

If you want to purchase, please reach out to Ron Reijerkerk reijerke@gmail.com 919-846-088

See also next page for short sleeve t-shirts.

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