

Black Pearl Charters

August 14

Well another month has past and to be honest I haven't had the boat out a lot due to the weather but I have done a few trips and the results have been pretty good. It is still a great time of year to fish. The last trip I did we headed out around south coast and it was a red letter day, we left at 8am and had a dozen or so nice gurnard by 930am and then proceeded a little deeper and after a few drifts secured a nice bag of Terikihi and we were back in the harbour filleting by 1130am and all done and dusted by 1230pm. I wish I could say that all my half day trips were like this but it certainly has been pretty consistent on the Cod, Terikihi and Gurnard front and goes to show not to write off the winter months as they can be very productive.



I have been doing a few trout fishing excursions of late and its always a good time of year if you can handle the weather, Turangi has always been close to my heart as I started my trout fishing years up there. The fish size has decreased a lot in the last 10 years but I think it's the style of fishing that keeps me interested but saying that don't be scared to adapt. I have started using lighter gear and I have also started fishing smaller water trying to avoid the crowds as it gets extremely busy this time of year. First light and last light are usually the best times and try and step out of your comfort zone and fish different water not just the same old areas your fished for an eternity, apply this to your saltwater fishing too and you might be surprised.



For the surf casters the normal winter species are well in truly in force, loads of red cod and kahawai should be keeping you busy in the usual spots. I had a surf cast in the harbour a couple of weeks back and scored a few nice legal Terikihi not far from point Halswell. Spotty sharks should be on either coasts throughout the winter just remember to use crab or cray baits if you're targeting them.

It is also a great time for a big trevally off the shore and there might even be a warehou or two hanging around the wharfs for those who take the time to have a lookie.

Feel free to jump online and go to my web site to join our club if you're not already a member. I will pop you on the text machine and email list and send out special offers and available dates for share cost trips. I can't offer half price trips on bargain websites as I can't fit big numbers of people on board to make it viable, however I can offer you a quality executive fishing experience for your small group and I can also cater for single fishermen.

It's the time of year to look at stocking up the tackle box and getting your reels serviced so If you need any tackle or gear as well as free advice on spots and what rigs to use, pop in and see Steve or Felix at Steves fishing shop on Ghuznee Street in Wellington and they will see you right.

Well that it for me this time round, take care and tight lines



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