

# Black Pearl Charters

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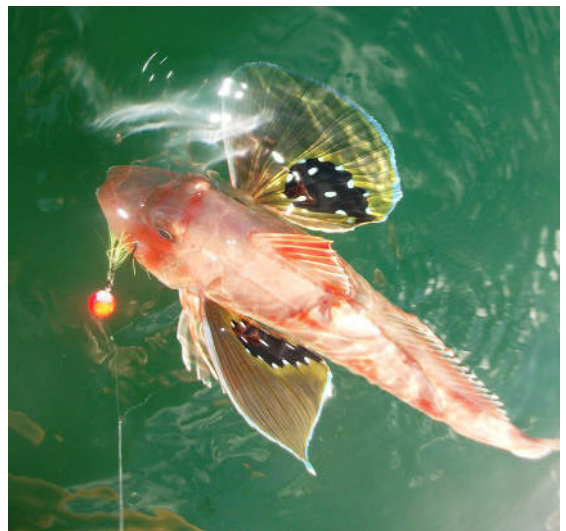
Well, again the weather this month has been up and down all over the place, but there has been some excellent days thrown into the mix to keep us interested. Spring fishing is starting to fire up with Gurnad, Tarakihi and Bluecod being regular catches. Both coasts have been productive but if I had to choose what coast to go on this side of Christmas it would be the south. The Gurnard will be consistent for a while now and you can target these on any areas with a sandy bottom both inside and outside the harbour. If spiny dogs become a problem try using a soft bait or a slow jig, you might find that you catch less pesky fish and more quality fish. There have been lots of little Gurnard around so don't forget the size limit and stick to the rules.



We caught a small Kingy and a lone Snapper over the last few weeks so I'm thinking after this next lot of Norwesterlies we might be seeing some numbers starting to show up.

Over next month or so Puka should start to come back and I am expecting to see a few of these along with Bluenose, Hoki and the odd Bass when venturing out wide.

I haven't been out for a shore fish recently but a few mates have and it's still very wintery out there. There were two lovely elephant fish caught over lake ferry way a few weeks back and a small Moki went over the scales at the last WSAC shore comp. Apart from that just the usual Redcod, Kahawai and Spotty sharks are the normal catches but it won't be long until my favourite fish to catch from the shore show up, the Blue Moki.



It's no secret I like a trout fish now and then, I have managed to get out a couple of times, the whitebait have really fired up in the last few weeks and Trout in the lower reaches of most ocean flowing rivers have responded accordingly. I like to throw a whitebait fly to target these fish and quite often the strikes are hard and fast so a heavier tippet then you might normally use is suggested. Also don't count out night fishing with a black or lumo lure, most of the larger trout I've caught recently have been at night. Most of the rivers are now open and I snuck up a small creek today for a nosey and found a few fish, they were still quite flighty but they will settle down over the next few months and start feeding better.



I am offering **free tackle hire on all sole charter bookings** so get in quick if your planning a Christmas doo and secure your day to avoid disappointment.

That's all from me tight lines

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