

Black Pearl Charters News

December 14

Wellington has been living up to its name this month with howling northwesters being pretty consistent and only offering a few small windows to get out for a fish. Saying that the fishing is really starting to heat up when we have got out.

The inshore south coast and Harbour is producing good numbers of Gurnard, Trevally and Kahawai but when venturing out a bit further the Tarakihi and Puka have been quite responsive too. We had some nice Puka last week in the 200m-170m depth and scored some nice Tarikihi around 70m. When fishing for Puka some little things do make a difference, firstly make sure the bait is on the bottom throughout the drift by every now and then letting out line and touching the bottom with your sinker. Secondly fresh bait! Don't discard a Scarpie or Redcod fillet, they love em.



Out west the Kingfish are making an appearance in all their normal summer haunts, we have caught them on our last two kingfish trips so I would say they are here to stay for the next 6 months or so. The Snapper have been a bit hit and miss, we have been getting small numbers here and there but rest assure any day now they will be in full force for the summer. I am hearing better reports from south of Mana Island and we got some nice fish towards Ohau the other night. There have been Puka caught around Fishermans rock and towards Ohau light, we managed a few in 150m the other day which made a change from the usual 200+. I'm looking forward to the Albacore showing up, it was in the first week of January that we first caught them last year.



Surfcasting in Palliser bay has been very good with Lots of Spotty Sharks, Moki, Trevally and Kahawai being caught, there has even been a few Elephant fish taken. There has been loads of Kahawai around in the Harbour and although I haven't had reports of any Kingfish yet I'm sure it won't be long till we hear of one being caught.

That's all from me this time. Have a very Merry Christmas

Matty BPC

**I have two spots available on the dusk Snapper trip this Sunday
\$125pp 5pm till DARK**

Remember I have Vouchers GREAT FOR XMAS GIFTS

**\$150 for a HALF DAY TRIP including all tackle, bait and burley with
morning/afternoon tea**

**\$50 towards any BPC trip for \$40 SAVING \$10 and \$100 for \$80
SAVING \$20**

