

Fishing Reports/Photos

Friday, February 29, 2008

.....meanwhile in Argentina....

We had a group that just got back from Argentina on a dove hunt. I think that they did better than this one bird.

There is still space available on the two trips that I'll be hosting June 21-28 or June 26-July 3. Three days of duck hunting and two days of dove hunting.

Drop me a line for the details, I won't be fishing tomorrow and can give you a ring.

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posted by Capt. George Beckwith at 6:40 PM

How's the weather up there?

It's been pretty hot down here. 150 billfish in 7 days on the Dragin Fly. Plenty of double digit days with all the boats.

posted by Capt. George Beckwith at 6:36 PM

Tuesday, February 26, 2008

good fishing, another marlin wave

The bite has been pretty far offshore, but it's been good with another wave of marlin making their appearance. The Barbarosa had a grand slam today, 2 blue marlin, 1 striped marlin and 5 sailfish, dolphin for dinner. The guys on the Dragin Fly wanted to catch dolphin and things worked out, 11 dolphin and 8 sails.

posted by Capt. George Beckwith at 8:39 PM

Sunday, February 24, 2008

The average just went up.

The guys on the Dragin Fly must have been holding out on me. They set a new boat record yesterday with 21 sailfish releases, they doubled that today. Two day total of 66 sailfish.

posted by Capt. George Beckwith at 8:30 PM

Friday, February 22, 2008

overnight report

The Dragin Fly spent another night offshore and whacked the snapper, 55 in all. Not too much to the trolling, it looks like that green water had moved south, but fortunately did not affect the bottom bite.

After a slow day on the Barbarosa last week and a slow day on the Spanish Fly yesterday, the guys who fished on the Super Fly found the meat today, catching 15 sails, 8 dolphin, 4 tuna and a nice blue marlin. Great reports also from The Spanish Fly also.

posted by Capt. George Beckwith at 9:07 PM

crazy tropical weather

We've had some crazy weather over the past week with daily showers, which are very uncharacteristic for February in Costa Rica. The sails went through a little slump, probably related to the full moon rather than the crazy weather.

The Barbarosa had a couple of tough days, but pulled out of it with several sails and a dozen tuna two days ago, then yesterday they proved that they were as good as the rest of the fleet, releasing 2 sails, a dolphin, a wahoo and TWO BLACK MARLIN!!!, the biggest weighing well over 500 pounds.

The Dragin Fly is on another overnight excursion and will have a report later today.

posted by Capt. George Beckwith at 6:52 AM

Monday, February 18, 2008 pics and report

1 of 4 citation speckled trout that Capt. Mark and Capt. Gary caught on a guide's day off.

Also a few pups and flounder Lee with a panga roosterfish

Capt. Brian Harrington is down here checking things out in Costa Rica. He taught us a new trick with those tunas that I've been talking about . We rigged up a Yumi flying fish from the end of the outrigger, just barely dangling it in the water. After casting a popper with no hooks into the school, at least 50 tuna followed the popper to that flying fish which we repeatedly jerked away from the tunas. It was pretty hot watching tunas jumping after the flying fish as we snatched it away from them. We fed this one a fly and caught 5 others on the poppers and spinning tackle.....also 17 sails in two days.

Congrats to Peter Hansen and the first fly-caught sailfish aboard the Dragin Fly.

from the overnight trip

posted by Capt. George Beckwith at 11:42 AM

Friday, February 15, 2008
marlin on the fly and big tuna

Although we did raise a grand slam yesterday, hooking the striped marlin on the fly.....for about 400 yards, catching several sails on conventional and losing a hookless teaser to a 500 pound bill-wrapped blue marlin on the teaser rod, the sailfish bite has slowed down. We did manage to catch a sail on the fly today. The other Fly boats fishing conventional have been catching 8-13 sails/day with a shot or two at marlin. David on the Super Fly had 6 shots at malin yesterday, but only landed one.

Tuna for everyone tonight, congrats to Lee Hiner on his big yellowfin.

posted by Capt. George Beckwith at 11:21 PM

Tuesday, February 12, 2008
new Super Fly record

How does he do it? Jim "never enough" Copland took things to a new level on the Super Fly yesterday with 32 sailfish releases in one day.

posted by Capt. George Beckwith at 8:38 AM

Monday, February 11, 2008
quick report

The overnight trip ended up landing 48 snapper from 10-45 pounds on light tackle, live bait, cut bait and butterfly jigs. The best bite was between 4 and 6 am. Also 13 sails and a marlin on the way there/back.

The bite is picking up, all Fly boats had marlin yesterday and the Barbarosa had a marlin and 9 sails today and 2 big dorado for dinner. The rest of the guys are just getting in.

posted by Capt. George Beckwith at 7:16 PM

Saturday, February 09, 2008
wish I were there.....

.....the crew of the Dragin Fly is taking some folks out on an overnight offshore adventure to the Furuno Reef, about 50 miles offshore. They'll run about 20 miles and troll the rest of the way, looking for a marlin bite and those big schools of tuna that have slipped off to about 35 miles.

The guys should be at the reef right about now and filling up the tuna tubes with live bonito, they already filled the livewell with sardines outside the marina. The plan is to live bait for cubera snapper and black marlin today, then anchor up at sunset for some all night bottom fishing.

With all of the live bait and the 8 big bonito that we iced yesterday, it should get interesting when the chumming begins. Wish I were there.....

posted by Capt. George Beckwith at 4:03 PM

Thursday, February 07, 2008
office stuff and Costa Rica 09 reservations

Frustrating day in the "office" instead of being out on the water, I'm on the computer/phone/meetings. It ain't all fun in the sun.....

I cannot express enough the importance of booking The Fly boats for 2009 right now. January 09 is almost booked.

posted by Capt. George Beckwith at 2:39 PM

snooks

Steady offshore, slowing a bit. A little inshore action....snooks and roosters.

posted by Capt. George Beckwith at 7:38 AM

Saturday, February 02, 2008
Argentina and Silver King Lodge

Argentina:

Jorge and Nacho Guerra were here in Costa Rica checking out our operation. These guys are the folks who arrange all of the details of our Argentina hunts. They run a top shelf operation with the finest food, service, accommodations and of course the dove and duck hunting.

We still have a little room available on the two combinations duck and dove hunting trips that I will be hosting in Argentina from June 21-28 or June 26- July 3. Anna is trying to get a group together: While the guys are hunting, the ladies will be touring Argentina and shopping directly at the factories that produce Argentina's famous leather products.

Silver King Lodge: This is a response to a recent inquiry about Silver King Lodge:

Jed,

Iâ€™m taking two groups down there to fish for 3 days, either Oct. 1-5 or Oct. 4-8. The fishing is out of center consoles, ideally, in the ocean around the river mouths where there are the greatest concentrations of fish. I picked these dates because they are in the peak of the season with the best weather and the dark of the moon.

We fish 2 anglers/boat and 2 people/cabina. The lodge is very nice, with wireless internet, a/c, jacuzi, pool, etc. All the drinks and meals are included as is the air transportation from San Jose to the lodge and one night in San Jose. The 3 day all inclusive package is

\$2200/person.

Some of the die-hard tarpon junkies are staying to fish both trips, fishing all 6 days. Some folks are going to arrive early or stay a little later and fish on the Pacific Coast on our new boat, The Dragin Fly.

Although the weather on the Pacific side is more inconsistent that time of the year, the fishing is really good. You can extend your stay and fish 2 days on the Pacific with hotels and transportation included for only \$900/person.

Air fare that time of year should be about \$200 less than it is now.

Drop me a line if you have any questions,

George

Costa Rica: All is well here, fishing is good with the boats on the stead average of 8 sails/day, some days 5 or 6, some days 11 or 12. All in all, good fishing and dorado for dinner. I hope to get out there tomorrow, but today is an office day.

posted by Capt. George Beckwith at 10:02 AM

Friday, February 01, 2008

good averages

It's been just good, steady fishing. Averaging 8 sails/day with a couple of dorado. We had a boat high of 17 sails with the Lemmonds last week. I'm a little dissapointed that I haven't seen any tuna lately.

Anna is back in the states for a week, drop us a line to get the boat t-shirts. I'll be back out there soon with some more pictures.

posted by Capt. George Beckwith at 4:59 PM