

Fishing continues steady if unspectacular for me lately. I'm catching good numbers of trout, with a respectable percentage of keepers on most days. The number of 20-23 inch fish is fine too. Trout over 25 inches are more scarce. Biggest trout this week was a 26 incher. Best bite has been on Spook Juniors, Skitterwalks and floating FatBoys. Some of the fish I'm targeting are very shallow, less than knee deep. Others are hanging out closer to drop offs, in deeper water around waist deep. Especially when the wind is up, fast, erratic presentations are definitely better than standard, steady ones. Throwing sideways to the wind helps get the lures moving and creates a great start for the zippy, darting action. Watch out for the reds, though; they love the speedy, starting and stopping style too. On one occasion this week, we found a bunch of hungry, aggressive ones. They were blowing us up with reckless abandon. Monitoring the brown tide situation can be frustrating. Either the switching winds and rising tides are moving the mucky water around some, or the bloom is spreading. One day, the water will be crystal clear in an area; the next day it's not. That can be disappointing, to say the least! Will continue fishing in the clear water as long as I'm catching good numbers, hoping the bigger trout will show up in better numbers.