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Hey Anglers! It's All the HitMan Sims here with the Weekly Fishing Recon Report brought to you by BlackOpsFishing.com - "Reel Undercover Fishing"

CT Outfitter's Fishin' Report By gbrummett

Green Crabs in stock now as well as flounder chum, sand and blood worms and live eels

Don't forget Gary has a 24 live bait machine in front of his store if you can't make during regular hours or run out of bait in the middle of the night.

CONNECTICUT River:

Mouth : Gary says bait is staging up outside the mouth of the Connecticut river and this includes Alewife, Blue backs, and yes, some Bunker in the mix.

Lower Connecticut river: Herring are moving through in smaller numbers. Alewife can also be seen gathering in the Salmon River near the Leesville dam. Schoolie, Stripers seem to be everywhere.

In Greater Hartford Area: Keeper Striper reports are coming in everyday now. Carlos a shop regular spent the night at the park in East Hartford and was rewarded with 2 keeper stripers between 1 and 2 am.

Carp fishing is excellent. Iain fished just 4 hours in the afternoon and landed multiple Carp over 25lbs in an area he had baited a few days.

Paderewski Pond in New Britain is hot with black Crappie.

North of Hartford:

Water flows are terribly low all around. Bill S and Co. caught a pile of species in one outing on the river including stripers, pike, Bass, and a surprise Brown Trout with a hook jaw and beautiful markings.

Also, Matt was KILLIN smallies In the Enfield area on Albino & LC Shakers 3.25 inch on 1/2os lead heads from shore near the confluence of the Scantic river! His biggest weighing 4.5 pounds.

Salmon River and Farmingtons TMA's: Catch and Release sections are heavily stocked with



Fat trout Gary says it's time to strip the wooly buggers and Matukas.

Wethersfield cove: One customer visiting from Alabama caught a 5lb largemouth bass on a night crawler! Guy's fishing the channel between the cove and river are seeing stripers, channel cats, and Pike still moving through.

MARINE: Blackfish seem, picky, green crabs and Asians crabs closer to the inlets. Gary has heard of some successful flounder outings around Waterford. Sandworms and clam chum are the ticket Connecticut Outfitters also reports bunker and some striper action on the Thames .

Fish Connection - Preston Report

Jack said the big news was the bunker showing up on the Thames all the way to Norwich Harbor, with 4 to 5 pound blue fish slamming them at the mouth of the River.

Poquetanuck Cove and buoy 27 are producing stripers. Also striper fishing in front of the casino is a good bet.

Cheyenne , who often fishes the cove in his kayak, reminds us to use large lures in the 8 to 9 inch range. Some of his favorites are the Yo Zuri, Crystal minnow, Hogies and Slugs.

A few stripers have been caught in the Greenville dam area.

Jack says we desperately need rain to bring the big run of bass in. He also says winter flounder fishing is good and anglers have been filling their 2 fish flounder limits on the Niantic River and off of Bluff Point. Sandworms are the best bait.

Carp fishing is very good and Poquetanuck Cove has been producing some really large fish.

Cheyenne says a few customers have been hitting the trout management areas on the Salmon and Farmington Rivers with Great success.

Small ponds that are open to fishing prior to April 21st have been producing the usual bass, pickerel and pan fish.

Fishin Factory 3 Report - Middle town

Andrew tells us he spent the last few weeks filling the shop with all the latest rods, reels and lures with still plenty more to come.

Andrew would also like us to know that the shop is hosting a catered BBQ for the next 3 weekends so stop in and register for the trout tournament and join the fun!

Sandworms and Bloodworms are now in stock.





Black Fish: A few fish were reported from the rock piles in Niantic Bay but other than that it's been kind of quiet. Reports are a little better to the west of the CT river.

Andrew says he has had a scattering of reports on winter flounder from the usual places.

Also reports of Bunker in Norwich Harbor came into the shop this week and some small "Harbor Size" bluefish in the mouth of the Thames.

The Mouth of the CT River has an abundant supply of Schoolie Striped bass with some legal fish mixed in, expect that bite to bust wide open in the next few weeks as the bait starts to move in.

The Salmon River, Farmington River and Hammon asset are all fishing well at the moment. River flows are ideal! Small Rapala Husky Jerks and Rooster Tails continue to be the lures of choice. Meal Worms and Garden Worms will also get'em tight. Just remember, it's catch and release in these areas,

The Pike bite in Haddam has slowed down, but there are still some "gators" willing to take a swipe at a swimbait or slam a large live bait in that area.

The Coves: (Especially Chapmans Pond) have been giving up a few northerns, but he's not hearing about any real monsters.

Andrew was talking to a few of the commercial Shad fishermen who say there is no shortage of bait from Essex to the breakwalls for Stripers. There are a good amount of schoolie size fish being caught in the river and this week reports of legal size fish being caught are pretty consistent.

They weighed in a 22 pounder on 4/12 that was caught on a Sandworm in Cromwell. The Goodspeed at the Haddam Bridge has coughed up a few nice fish this week as well.

The White Perch fishing has been pretty solid, most of the reports are coming from anglers fishing for Stripers with worms up and down the river .

This has been the black ops fishing recon report until next week – Keep Off My Bass!

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