



## WTF Issue # 17

September 15, 2020

*So, WTF ... Where's the Fish*

**Headline:** Flounder season is now open until the end of September. As noted in this edition of WTF the flounder are biting, and members are doing well. Elsewhere, as is typically of August, fishing's been very slow both offshore and inshore with limited catches being reported. The good news is that in mid-September fishing usually picks up and as the water cools down. Then we get back into a nice assortment of bottom fish and some good Gulf Stream fishing.

**New added to the WTF:** Beginning this month, at the end of the WTF reports we have added a section for the **"unusual catches"**. So, any anglers who catch fish which are not usual or common for our area should be reported to me for inclusion under "unusual" catches. In the past we had a separate document for the unusual catches but why not include here.... So, at end of this document you will find any unusual catches.

Also an apology to Pam Klawitter for not including a picture of her nice Barracuda that she caught last month .. it was a biggie as shown below. Nice Job Pam!

***Brian Bronki and Pam Klawitter***



**Angler:** Dick Meyer

**Species:** Flounder 19 inch Caught with Finger Mullet

**Location:** ICW Pier



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**Angler & Captain:** Steve McNabb

**Species:** Flounder

**Location:** McGlammery Reef



**Report Sept 1, 2020** - Fished at McGlamery reef. I think It was about 3 miles off Caswell beach area - limited out in 90 minutes

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**Angler & Captain:** Nick Kaplenski, John Hussy and Dale Irwin ( Guest)

**Species:** Flounder

**Location:** McGlamery Reef

**Captain:** Nick Kaplenski



**Report Sept 2, 2020 – NICK DOES IT AGAIN !!!!!** Caught on mullet at Mcglamery reef today. Nick, John Hussey and guest Dale Irwin

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**Angler & Captain:** Phil Moseley, Bob Timson, Craig Thompson

**Species:** Wahoo and Grouper

**Location:** Gulf Stream - Blackjack and Steeples

**Captain:** Hiroki Toma (Matias)

**First Mate:** Craig Thompson

***Bob Timson, Craig Thompson and Phil Moseley***



**Report – September 1, 2020** – fishing aboard Matias the team trolled for Wahoo and bottom fished for Grouper. Wahoo was caught in about 240 feet of water and grouper caught with live cigar minnows and other small fish in 200 feet of water near Steeples

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**Angler:** Nick Kaplenski, Bob Timson, Craig Thompson

**Species:** Flounder -

**Location:** Mc Glammery Reef

**Captain:** Nick Kaplenski





**Report – September 7, 2020** – fishing aboard Nicks boat the team limited out on nice flounder within 2 hours. Nick Kaplenski once again displayed his keen sense of targeting flounder haunts with precise accuracy

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**Angler:** Brian Bronski and Mark Harris

**Species:** Bottom Fish

**Location:** SW of Frying Pan Tower

**Captain:** Mike Carney (Liquid Assets)

***Brian Bronski – American Red Snapper (released)***





***Mark Harris – American Red Snapper (released)***



***Brian Bronski – Black Grouper***



**Report – September 1, 2020** - Last Tuesday west of the tower Liquid Assets went bottom fishing – caught a young black grouper and a couple nice American reds which were released. Days catch included, cooler full of beautiful bottom fish - 14 graysby groupers and 25 vermillion

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***Bob Timson – 14-inch Whiting  
(fishing with Nick Kaplenski)***



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## Future Anglers- Kids Corner

None this month



## UNUSUAL CATCHES

### Bob Timson – Squirrel Fish



Squirrelfish is a silvery red, sea fish with orange-gold body stripes. One of about 150 species of squirrelfish, their most distinguishing characteristics are their large eyes and the long third spine of the anal fin. It is often included in public aquarium displays. Squirrelfish is edible and harvested on a small scale.



## Craig Thompson – Creole Fish



Scientific Name: ***Paranthias furcifer***

Family: ***Serranidae***

Subfamily: ***Epinephelinae***

Category: **Groupers**

Size: **4 to 8 in. (10 to 20 cm)**

Depth: **20-160 ft. (6-50 m)**

Distribution: **Caribbean, Bahamas, Florida, Bermuda, Gulf of Mexico, Brazil**





## Nick Svastano – Parrot Fish



### Parrotfish

Animal

Parrotfishes are a group of marine species found in relatively shallow tropical and subtropical oceans around the world. With about 95 species, this group displays its largest species richness in the Indo-Pacific. They are found in coral reefs, rocky coasts, and seagrass beds, and can play a significant role in bioerosion.

