

WILMINGTON FISHING SCHOOLS—SATURDAY, MARCH 6

INSHORE / NEARSHORE SESSIONS

1:00 / Doors Open

1:30-1:45 / Introduction

1:45-2:45 Session One: Inshore Variety Fishing

This session will cover such areas as finding available targets no matter the season, bait and artificial options to find feeding fish, and changing strategies depending on the conditions. Targets include red drum, trout, and flounder, as well as bluefish, black drum, sheepshead, and more.

3:00-4:00 Session Two: Nearshore Variety Fishing (Beach to 3 Miles)

This session will cover such areas as trolling and casting options, bottom fishing with baits and lures, using all of the water column to find feeding fish, and versatility and options throughout the calendar.

4:15-5:15 Session Three: Nearshore Variety Fishing (3 to 10 Miles)

This session will cover such areas as simple trolling spreads, bottom fishing opportunities, light lining, fishing from the surface to the seafloor, baits vs. artificials, and tackle box necessities to best be prepared.

5:15-5:30 / Door Prizes & Wrap-Up

FEATURED CAPTAINS / GUIDES

Capt. Jim Sabella PLAN 9 Charters (910) 367-2224 www.topsailfishingcharters.com

Jim works out of Masonboro and New River inlets specializing in nearshore light tackle fishing adventures, including fly fishing, spinning, jigging, light tackle trolling, and bottom fishing.

Capt. Rick Bennett Rod-Man Fishing (910) 520-7661 www.rod-man.com

Rick focuses on going out with others on their own boats and guiding them to where, what, and how to catch. He covers Topsail Island to Ocean Isle, and his specialties include light-tackle action for a wide variety of inshore and nearshore species.

Capt. Jennings Rose North State Guide Service (910) 231-7741 www.northstateguide.com

A native of eastern NC, Jennings has been fishing his whole life and now concentrates most of his efforts targeting red drum, speckled trout, and many more species in the waters of the Pamlico Sound around his home in Oriental.

Capt. Mike Oppegaard Native Son Guide Service (910) 233-8295 www.nativesonguideservice.com

Mike grew up on Topsail Island, running the Sound Pier with his family until 2004. He fishes from the sound out into the inlet and likes trolling, bottom fishing, and casting for a variety of species. His targets include mackerel, false albacore, cobia, and inshore species such as drum and flounder.