



Red Tide has closed the beaches from the St. Lucie Inlet southward to Lantana Beach; at this writing. Beaches south of Lantana are being tested for the micro-organisms that create the conditions known as Red Tide. In humans it causes nausea, vomiting, itching watery eyes and breathing problems. Red Tide is the cause of the massive fish kill that has been covering the west coast of Florida for a month. Locally only small numbers of dead fish are washing up on the beaches. It's a good idea to not fish near the shoreline until the Red Tide conditions disperse.

The ocean still has a chop to it, but the fishing is well worth putting up with the rough conditions. Big dolphin have been caught this week. You can thank the current and the swells pushed our way by the high-pressure weather system that has been holding off the coast of Georgia.

The best news has come from the Sebastian area. Beach bait casters there have been scoring huge fish, by surf caster standards all last week and weekend. Huge permit, five to eight-pound bluefish, Spanish mackerel, tarpon and spotted sea trout just kept hammering baits. The two best baits were whole sardines and bonito strips. Chicken feathers with a plastic worm or pork rind trailer were hot baits as well.

A few beach casters even caught snook. When the seas get rough there is no telling what kind of fish is going to latch onto your bait. Those that hooked

into a tarpon lost the fish after the first jump. Most surf rods just can't handle five-foot-long fish.

This week anglers can expect more dolphin and kingfish once you exit the Boynton Inlet. Look for the kings to be holding on both sides of the inlet in water 90 to 160 feet deep. Just don't expect a bunch of them.

Dolphin hunters need to look for weed lines before setting out baits. The fishing this week will still be good, just don't expect a fish box load of 25-pound dolphins.

For freshwater anglers, the bright sun is killing the mid-day fishing. Look for shade covering the water and your chances of a big bass catch increases if you use a live shiner as your bait. The minor rain showers have not been much help this week. Fish early in the morning and then by 11 a.m. head back to the boat ramp.

The rainy season for South Florida is coming to its annual end. Unless a big old wet tropical storm comes our way in October it's going to be a dry time. This is going to force the bass that had moved into the small canals back to the main lake bodies and to the deeper main canals.

For the next three to five weeks the water levels of the lakes and canals will decrease. That is unless we get a wet tropical storm. As the water recedes, bass will concentrate on the deeper holes and under the weeds. Hot zones will include lily pads and hydrilla. It is still wise to use heavy tackle when fishing the weeds. Use the old

reliable six to eight-inch plastic worms or live shiners for best results.

Fish early in the day, well before noon, for the biggest bass catches, once the sun gets too high the bass will head for the shade of natural cover. They may not hit your bait even if you place it right in front of their nose.

Hopefully, the cooler temperatures of October will begin a little early, but the weather forecasters are saying it looks like it's going to be hot for the next couple of weeks. That means fresh water anglers need to continue to using summertime fishing techniques.

Speck catches are increasing all over south Florida. Use locally caught wild minnows if you can find them for best catch totals.

For other panfish, anglers should continue to fish live crickets for best results. Bluegill and war-mouth are still very active. Present the live bait on the surface, stay focused, because these fish will hit the live baits hard. If you use a bobber that will help set the hook but don't rely on the bobber to do your job, stay focused.

If you like to fish Lake Okeechobee during the lull times now is one of them. The snowbirds are still up north. The heat of summer is still with us and the fishing on the big lake remains good. The north rim of the lake is a little cooler at night than at the south end. So that helps make the northwestern section of the lake a better place to fish for the next couple of weeks.

# Car Clinic

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## Funnies

I get some wild assumptions from customers on occasion, here are a few.

A customer that we did the right front rear view mirror called and said that ... ever since we did the mirror the windshield washer pump stopped working and could we look at it to see if a fuse or "something" had blown when we did the mirror.

Now the day any auto manufacturer runs the windshield washer pump thru the side view mirrors will be the day I retire and

go play golf all day. We checked the fuses just to be sure but found out he needed a windshield washer pump, imagine that!

Next was a lady who said.... ever since you did my tires my car has a rattle in the rear. We had installed two rear tires. She had a loose jack in the rear compartment that had not been properly stowed by the road service people. It just needed to be tightened up into the spare tire well. We did not touch the jack originally but tightened it

up for her anyway.

And last but not least was the octogenarian who complained about her air conditioner not cooling. We had replaced the compressor a few months ago and she was upset that it was not as cold as it used to be. This car has a digital air conditioner system in it which meant that you position the temperature like a clock dial. The first thing I did was to check the setting and she had it set at eighty five degrees.

Based on her age I think she forgot how to set it because she said: "I thought that was the reading for the outside temperature," which of course did not make sense anyway considering it has been in the mid-nineties as of late. I set the temperature for sixty degrees and sent her on her way after I told her to leave the dials where I set them.

As always be well, take care and check that air.

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The public is invited to join Ranger Bob Showler for a Global Big Day Birding Adventure on Oct. 6 from 8 a.m. - 2 p.m. in the Everglades National Park. This ranger-led group will look for birds at various points of interest along the Main Park Road between the Royal Palm Visitor Center and Flamingo.

Participants should meet at the Royal Palm Visitor Center and be prepared to drive personal vehicles about 100 miles round-trip. No fuel is available in the park. Participants should bring water, sun and insect protection, lunch, and binoculars if possible. A limited number of loaner binoculars will be available. At certain stops, there will be walking up to one-half mile or more.

Global Big Day is sponsored by the Cornell Laboratory of Ornithology's online birding resource, eBird. Global Big Day answers the question: "How many birds can be seen in one day?" People around the world observe birds in their own backyards, in parks, or anywhere they wish in an effort to add to the collective global birding day count. On the last Global Big Day in May 2018, over 30,000 birders observed and reported over 7,000 species of birds. This Global Big Day will capture birds during the fall migration. Lists of birds observed on this program will be reported to eBird.

The Royal Palm Visitor Center is located approximately 22 miles southwest from Exit 1 of the Florida Turnpike in Florida City.

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