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March has proven to be a great time on the water. The question is what do you want to fish for.

OFFSHORE: Sailfish, maybe. In my last two trips offshore for king fish I've have seen one sailfish landed and 4 more chasing bait fish on the surface. This is the time of year for about 3 weeks that we will see them in close and have a chance of catching one of these spectacular fish. King mackerel are everywhere with 20 per trip not uncommon, they are lots of fun and not bad eating if kept and cooked fresh. Lots of would be keeper sized grouper are being caught and released along with hog fish and other bottom fish. Lemon sharks are on the hunt and put up quite a fight too, as well as some cobia over the wrecks. Tarpon will be showing up on the beaches any time now as everything else seems to be ahead of schedule.

INSHORE: Fishing has been great with lots of great trout action on the flats, spanish mackerel are on the prowl and tarpon are in the bay already. Redfish have been a daily event and the snook are the best they have been in a few years sense the winter kill in 2007. Please treat the snook with great care and soon we will have an awesome snook fishery once again, looking forward to it, myself.

Specail thanks to Tim from the Pittsburgh Pirates that has filled my boat for multible trips and to all of you whom have filled my callender this March. Come as a client and leave with a new friendship aboard Bass N Bay Charters.