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Kid,

Yeah, the party boat folks down in FL don't look kindly on "bonita." I've hooked False Albacore on party boats in the Keys that were targeting Yellowtail Snapper and the boat hands want you to break the fish off when you hook one. Of course, they're right about the eating part - False Albacore have blood red meat that isn't considered edible. The famous salt fly rodder Lou Tabory says even his cats won't eat it. To complicate matters, the Atlantic Bonita that we have up here in the northeast is very good eating.

Much of shallow water salt fishing revolves around tides. As a general rule, for northeast stripers, the fishing is usually best when the tide is pulling hardest. Slack tide often sees a noticeable decline in fish movement and feeding.

Rod length in saltwater (like feshwater) has generally gotten longer in recent years although the standard fly rod is still 9' and this is my preference. Wind is a much bigger enemy to salt FFrs than fresh - there are days that even with a shooting head, it's just too windy to FF and, in my opinion, it's better to break out spin tackle.