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Re: New Jersey Surf (Island Beach State Park), Ocean Co, NJ, 9/22-23/2010

Author: : afishinado

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Quote:

Fishidiot wrote:

....I do tell new salt FFers that this is a hit or miss game. Like you, I get skunked a lot surf fishing and my salt reports last year reflect this. It's the nature of the game.

I think FI hit the nail on the head with the words "hit or miss." I get skunked as everyone does on trout streams or any type of freshwater fishing. The fish weren't hitting (or so I tell myself) or more likely, I just couldn't figure out how/where to catch them.

I think the point JohnPowers was making is the excuse for not catching fish is that they just weren't there can never really be valid in a freshwater stream or lake. With saltwater, the narrow 100' band of water you fish along the beach, when compared to the entire ocean CAN be void of fish, and often is, so even the most skilled angler can and will smell the skunk that day. While this is true, it's really no reason to not fish, as long as the angler realizes a skunking is a real possibility (as FI pointed out above). But as Fredrick said, the rewards when you do hit it right are great - hard fighting wild fish.

I'm more of a trout and bass guy, but I let Fred & FI do the recon fishing and when they're hitting, I push my way in between them and begin casting..... 😊