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Well, my fishing has been more a reflection of where I am in my life, rather than how the streams themselves fish.

My year was both epic and dissapointing. I mean, I had a few really spectacular outings in spectacular locations. But overall, I didn't get out much. What I have is a situation where I can fish less often than I like, with family obligations and the like. But when I do fish, then I then have the motivation, approval from family, vacation time, and \$\$\$ to make it really count. And I have done that.

There were some outings to local streams before things began to warm up much. And that was cool, but just cool. Valley, a local freestoner or two, an early outing to a new brookie stream (which wasn't bad at all for the season), and even hit Spring Creek for the BWO's (which dissapointed but was still fun).

But that was all just "normal". Things really picked up with the jam. We had an epic half week or so. Spring, Penns, brookie streams (including a few new ones). All fished very well. Every day of the trip was excellent fishing. I remember one evening where I was in the mid-20's on Spring Creek, after a day full of catching brookies. There were numbers, a few with size, just anything you can ask for. Plus good company, food, drink, and perfect weather. I remember thinking "it just doesn't get any better."

Followed by the newbie brush up day, where Swattie and I grabbed a newbie, and after a little prospecting for a new spot (which is always fun in it's own way), landed at an old favorite stream and did really well to big lumpy brookies while cicadas flew about.

That was followed by 2 other epic brookie adventures, 1 on a new stream. Both were highly successful trips.

Then my thoughts turned to the salt. An off-shore trip off of Hatteras where lots of wahoo's and a few sailfish were brought to the boat. Lots of fun, change of pace, and we're still eating really good fish.

Then another brookie trip or two, and learning a couple of new streams, before the latest trip to steelhead country. Steelhead is something I don't do as much anymore. I try, but don't always succeed at making 1 good weekend now. Well, I succeeded this year. The fishing wasn't spectacular, but multiple fish were brought to hand each day, so it wasn't bad either.

And I got an outing with some old partners as well as a few I haven't fished with before. FD, CSoult, Swattie, etc.

Now, I'm moving to hunting mode, but I might get another fishing outing or two in.