

Local Cod Report Jan 17

Captain Steven Srs report from the Viking Star Limited Passenger Local Cod Trip-

We started out with a very slow pick of Cod just catching one here or there while we waited for the sun to come up. Once the sun broke the horizon WHAM the Cod were on the ROD! Here we go I said to myself, 10 to 15 Cod on the first drift, the second drift saw 30 to 40 and the third 40 plus Cod. Then it started to slow down from 30 fish per drift to 18 per drift and then down to 10 to 12 per drift so it was time to move on.

Between 9.30 and 11.15 we had a slow period than wham it started again with 3 to 4 on then 6, 10, 15. I told the guys hang on here they come and they did averaging 40 to 50 Cod per drift. Then it was 1.15pm and time to head home as all coolers and buckets were looking good. Some of today's high lights were that I took a managed to do a little fishing and even landed a 25lb Monkfish. Ten year old Trevor Topken who was Cod fishing for his first time quickly learned the technique of Jigging Cod. Glen Evans who caught the new potential world record Bagual weighing in at 3.39lb. Our one and only Joe Scotto whacked 3 double headers as well as 4 other Cod, 2 Ling and 2 Baguals. A big thank you to everyone on board for making this a very successful trip and also to all the other Captains who were there working together. The pool was won by John Aren of Staten Island NY with a 15lb Cod. Second place was taken by Gary Pastone of NJ with a 13 pounder.

Captain Carl's report from the Viking Starship Local Cod Trip- Captain Carl reports an excellent day of Cod fishing on the Viking Starship. The morning bite started off very good with quality Codfish in the 8 to 10lb range but then slowed down by mid morning. Towards the end of the day the bite turned RED HOT fishing with Cod ranging from 8 to 20lbs! Captain Carl stayed late to put some extra time in on the bite and anglers were rewarded with plenty of fillets to go home with. Our very own Pete Berry threw out a jig for a 25lb Cod. Also Carlos Espinosa caught his biggest ever cod at 29lbs. Neither fish was in the pool but Carlos is now in first place in the Viking Fleet 2010 \$10,000 Cod Derby. Monowar Ahmed took first place in today's boat pool with a 20.8lb Cod. Second place was awarded to Glen Miller with a 18.2 pounder.

We are sailing everyday this week weather permitting. Hope to see you onboard!