

Reporting Period: January 25-February 24, 2020

Note: Missing dates normally mean that the wind contributed to boats not going out to fish. High winds continued until last week, when temperatures crept up to near 80 and winds were calm to lightly breezy (not counting afternoon chop). Looks windy this week until around Saturday, but you never know. The Yellowtail are back!

My email if you can send me any fishing news or pictures: lyncurt0@gmail.com If you can send reports by the 24th of the month, they have a better chance of being added in for the next report. **Please** feel free to

send **photos** of large, interesting or different catches!



01/25/20 HILLBILLY YACHT fi shed Isla de Ia Garda for goldies and

five grouper including one 45 pounder (Baqueta) caught around 450 feet deep.

01/25 ROSIE went to Punta Willard for goldies and one small "Rosy Grouper" or Baqueta Rosa.

02/08 SAND DOLLAR trolled the Turner area with no luck with Yellowtail, but reported seeing fish "hanging" at depths below trolling range, possibly YT. Water temperature was 61 degrees. They then tried bottom fishing from Colorado Risco to Eagles Nest for a few Rockies and lots of nice Goldies in water from 140 to 180 feet.

02/12 JAYHAWKER did not have any success with trolling near Turner but did catch limits of Goldies, plus some Rockies and "Salmon". In fact they got some of the largest Goldies they have caught in a while, with one coming in at 6.3 pounds. They were hitting jigs, with or without bait.

02/16 SUN CHASER fished around Isla Turner but had no luck trolling.

02/17 SAND DOLLAR caught three decent Yellowtail near the light house Turner, trolling across the reef, then caught bottom fish in 61 degree water.

02/21 EL SUENO caught limits of Yellowtail near Dead Man and nice Goldies and Rockies near Colorado Risco in 150 feet of water. John Hazen was really lucky and caught a delicious 17+ pound Pinto Bass ("Pinta") on a Diamond Jig there. (Picture below) DAKOTA 2 boat went to Turner and caught near-

limits of nice Yellowtail

between Dead Man and Deep Reef as well as south of Turner.

The NIGHTWINGS crew fished the Christmas Tree beach at high tide and only caught a few small Rockies/Sandies and one small Mangrove Pargo. No Halibut, but really nice weather.

02/22/20 (Been



waiting to write that date) DAKOTA 2 went back to Turner for limits of very nice Yellowtail. The YT were hitting all colors and most have been using X-Rap 30s and a few 40s.

Earlier in week Report of a Mexican panga out south of Turner in deeper water getting a really big grouper, (a Baqueta Rosa"). No picture, but worth mentioning.

- Matt Curtis, Fishery Biologist