

Fishing report and update of happenings regarding Carpentaria Seafaris.

Negligent in my duties of not keeping up to date with these reports much to the dismay of some serious followers of our fishing adventures on Cape York western coast and far northern Barrier reef.

We have done three trips since I last reported and my apologies for not posting. Other things that have taken my priority away from this task that I have been undertaking since 2002 when we launched our new mothership the Tropic Paradise. Nothing sinister or problematic has taken me away from the reporting, quite the opposite in fact. A couple of extra curricular activities taking my time and I am giving myself the time to pursue them and have not been as happy and contented as I am now for some time after a tumultuous few years of family problems that some of you will know of. All is good now, great in fact.



Fishing has been excellent the past trips mentioned and clients are going home very very happy with the results of their efforts and our charter vessel and guiding service and it absolutely gladdens my heart to be able to provide the happiness to people.



We are not doing as many trips in the early part of this year as we have done in past years and this has also lead me to pursue some of the other good things of life previously mentioned as well as savoring the life style of living in paradise on the tip of Cape York.

The global financial crisis, dam I dislike even hearing the term, even worse writing it, it has affected everyone I'm supposing, some more than others. There are a lot way worse than we and I am guessing and seeing evidence of many others in my industry closing doors or having them closed for them. I would not be honest if I said we are not or have not been affected. I haven't completely quantified the numbers, we are doing less trips but the ones we are doing have better numbers and with our fixed running costs of fuels and crewing high compared to the variables we are in fact in a better situation doing it this way and having time to pursue some other activities.

This tropical Australian fishing holiday travel market in which we compete I believe to have been seriously over supplied in recent years and this correction for want of a better term will see some remain and some depart. This is our 20th year of operations which kind of takes my breath away when I think back and start to reminisce on the developments and changes and individual fishing and character incidences that come to the front of mind that would not normally have with out this conscious thought process. Makes me think (just now) about composing a kind of "best of seafaris trip reports" starting from the very first that I wrote on the 8th of May 2002. A simple word document with a couple of photos and a much younger good friend and clients smiling face beaming off the page at me with fine fly caught exotic Trevally species.

Hardly a trip report I know some scattered photos of some of the fish and clients of the past couple of trips. My apologies to those on these trips for not reporting as I normally do.