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SC Fishing Trends - 11/16/2009 - Jocassee, Keowee, Hartwell

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Lake Jocassee:

- Black Bass: Fair to good. Captain Pat Bennett reports that fishing is day to day but larger fish have moved into the creeks following baitfish. The baitfish should continue to bunch up tighter and tighter and the bass action should continue to improve until temperatures get cold. His boat is having best luck fishing around blowdowns with Texas rigged worms.
- Trout: Slow. Captain Steve Pietrykowski reports that the trout bite has been slow ever since the rain caused levels to rise rapidly and dirtied the water. November is traditionally a tough month but this month has been even tougher than usual. Try trolling minnows and spoons around 80 feet deep.

Lake Keowee:

- Largemouth and Spotted Bass: Good. Captain Chris "Fishboy" Schuber reports that shad are starting to ball up tighter and so will the bass. Shakey head worms, drop shot rigs and Carolina rigged worms fished in 15-35 feet of water will catch fish around main lake points, boat docks and in coves.

Lake Hartwell:

- Striped and Hybrid Bass: Good to very good. Captain Steve Pietrykowski reports that the bigger fish are starting to spread out across the lake which can make finding them a little tougher than when they were concentrated down by the dam. He has found some nice fish up the Seneca River and later in the afternoon good schooling activity has been reported, especially on calm days. Live herring remain the bait of choice. Captain Bill Plumley reports that he is also finding striped bass in the creeks and seeing some schooling activity.
- Catfish: Good. Captain Bill Plumley reports that the catfish bite remains

fairly strong. In particular channel catfish are biting well in 10-20 feet of water in creek runs and flats. Cut herring and nightcrawlers are the best baits right now.

- Crappie: Good. Captain Bill Plumley reports that crappie fishing has picked up in the last week and his boat is catching fish in 6-15 feet of water around docks and decaying brush from when the water was down. Minnows, jigs, and jigs tipped with minnows are all working.
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