



# SC REEL KIDS NEWS

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## Youth Fishing Time...

It is time to get out those rods and reels to get ready for our great "Youth Fishing Events" held around our state. The list of dates will be available soon, so check the web site at [www.screelkids.com](http://www.screelkids.com) for the location of the event nearest you. You can learn to fish, win prizes, hang out with your friends and family, and maybe even catch the big one!



## Palmetto Sportsmen's Classic

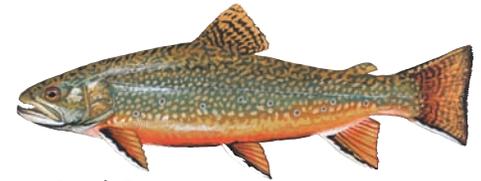


Join us for the 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Palmetto Sportsmen's Classic, March 26-28 at the State Fairgrounds in Columbia. There is a Catch and Release Fishin' Pond, kids activities, the Bass Tub (5,500 gallon aquarium with largemouth and striped bass), the Take One, Make One Outdoor Heritage Trailer, and tons more! Adults are only \$6 and children under 10 are free. Bring 5 cans of non-perishable food for Harvest Hope Food Bank and get \$1 off your adult admission. PLUS, visit the SC Reel Kids booth and show your SC Reel Kids license for a GREAT gift! Last year, those showing their license got a great new Shakespeare reel and this year it is even better! Get ready for a wild weekend!



## Are you a Native?

Do you know what a "Native" fish is? Native fish are fish that have always been found in our state. For example, the Brook trout, *Salvelinus fontinalis*, is a native freshwater trout found in South Carolina. It has always lived in



Brook Trout

our waters as far back as scientists can research. The Rainbow trout, *Oncorhynchus mykiss*, is

a fish that is raised and "stocked" in South Carolina waters. It was not originally found in South Carolina, but was introduced. This means that the Rainbow trout is a "non-native" species. We also have the Brown trout in South Carolina. The first person who can tell me the weight of the largest brown

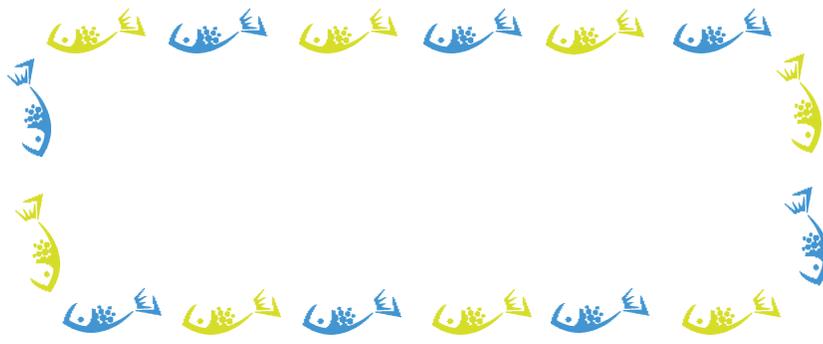
trout caught in Lake Jocassee, wins a \$25 gift certificate to the South Carolina Wildlife Shop! Send your answers to [BeBe@dnred.com](mailto:BeBe@dnred.com) to see if you're a winner!



Rainbow Trout



Brown Trout



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First Place Winner  
 Tarpon by Emmanuel Ramirez, Grade 10-12



Don't forget to work on your "Reel Art" entry! Mail your artistic creations by March 1. You can win great prizes by entering your artwork in the contest. The first place winners in each category win a \$200 savings bond! Winners will be on display at the Southeastern Wildlife Expo and the Palmetto Sports-men's Classic. You can see all the winners from last year and find the entry form at [www.screelkids.com](http://www.screelkids.com).

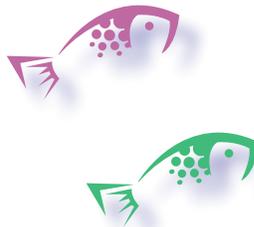
## Reel Art



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**Drake and Cassidy  
 mailed these goals  
 in and they are  
 going to get  
 great prizes!  
 Are you?**



**Reel Kids Goals ACTIVITY SHEET**

25. Visit 2 State Parks. Report on what you saw!  
 Have your picture made with the state park as

Name of park: Hunting Island State Park

Date of visit: May 26, 2001

Place Photo: 

Location: Hunting Island State Park  
May 26, 2001

Did you see any wildlife? YES  
 • What water bodies did you see? Inlet and Atlantic ocean  
 • Can you rent boats at these parks? no  
 • What was your favorite thing to see or do at the park? feeding starfish  
 • What did you do at the park?  
hunted for shells and starfish on the beach, seining with the other kids in the water, making a fish shirt (Gyotaku), fishing on the pier, swimming in the ocean, drawing a hammerhead shark for the Reel Art competition

**Reel Kids Goals ACTIVITY SHEET**

1. Catch your fish!

Send a picture of and your first fish can be your first in this program or first one you catch. Identify your fish the common name and the scientific name.

What took you the longest to catch? Where you were? Describe the place fishing. Write down what you did. Describe the place and animals that saw while you were there.

Common name: Bluegill  
 Scientific name: Lepomis macrochirus  
 Who took you fishing? dad  
 Describe location of fishing (pond, river, art ocean, etc.)  
 Describe plants, animals:  
We were at our pond. We saw pine trees, wax myrtles, and lots of ducks, beavers, and tilapia. There were a lot of fish. We got her first fish. because her fish was a spotted scented that we released and didn't have a camera.

