There’s something fishy going on by the smell of it

Simply stated, the demand for oxygen exceeds the supply. When that happens the various chemical systems turn to other sources to drive the myriad reactions that are ongoing.

Next on the agenda are the reefs. There are a lot of chemical processes. Metabolism of this material which is essentially consumed in salt water (remember fresh water seems to be in short supply as well) leads to production of hydrogen sulfides. Don’t lose this at the gate that gives the “rotten egg” smell. It is also highly saline and, surprisingly, the human nose is one of the best detectors of its presence. That is why it is so noticeable.

A similar mechanism is at work in areas like Joe’s Bay and Riddel’s Bay and elsewhere. Here, the outcome is much more visual. Although there is that sort of briny, sea-oddly smell small, it is almost barely noticeable. When the light is right the water sometimes has a sort of distinct sheen to it; kind of a fluorescent greenish-blue ting. This is also due to the wild growth of plankton which are taking advantage of the bright sun and warm temperatures. In areas where they get significant inputs of fresh water from rivers and streams this often leads to what is referred to as a “red tide.” These particular organisms can be nasty and this can build up in shallows, reducing those grasses, algae, this is not really an issue here as shallows like clam or sponges are not harvested. Elsewhere this sort of thing can significantly affect local economies.

For reasons don’t exist on the offshore, at least not here and the final fish that are caught on the Banks and elsewhere are deemed to be safe. Apart from the obvious reason, to the time of year when the greatest variety of fish are being caught and both fishermen and anglers can’t find, that and matching all sorts of filters with to whole fish, this has led to the introduction of contamination could be discovered.

Right now, large numbers of barracuda are being caught. In most places they are avoided for fear of cigaretted, a fish-bad. There’s one thing which has had little impact here over the years. Loss of herring billey have been consumed in the last century or so and there is no apparent reason to discontinue the practice. Rain runners are also nuisances on the offshore grounds and really please fishermen looking for some fun light tackle action.

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