

**APPLICATION FORM**

**STATE OF GEORGIA  
SALTWATER GAMEFISH RECORDS ENTRY FORM**

Read all angling rules Georgia Saltwater Gamefish Record requirements before completing and signing this application. This application must be accompanied by photographs as specified in the State record requirements.

1. DIVISION \_\_\_\_\_ Women's  Men's

2. SPECIES (Common name): Sheep Head

3. MEASUREMENTS  
Weight 14 lbs. 14.36 oz. Scale read 14.898 (lbs)  
Fork Length <sup>1</sup>: 24 inches Total length <sup>2</sup>: 26.25 inches Girth <sup>3</sup>: 21.75 inches  
<sup>1</sup> Tip of snout to the inner fork of the tail. <sup>2</sup> Tip of snout to end of tail – maximum length. <sup>3</sup> Distance around thickest part of body.

4. DATE OF CATCH: 1-27-23

5. PLACE OF CATCH (Be specific as possible):  
Sun Bury

6. METHOD OF CATCH (trolling, casting, fly fishing, etc.):  
Tight Line

7. ANGLER (print name as you wish it to appear on certificate): Ben Golden III  
Permanent address (include Zip code):  
Midway GA. 31320

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Fishing Club Affiliation (not required): \_\_\_\_\_

Angler's Age (not required): 63

8. EQUIPMENT  
Rod: Off Shore Angler 6'6" Reel: Penn Phathom  
(make & length) Inshore Extreme Fast Medium (make)

Line (make & test): Power Pro #65 Name of lure or bait: Oyster

Terminal rig description (include hook number, types, & arrangement):

Caroline Rig

9. BOAT (if used)

Name: ~~Key~~ ~~Boat~~ Caroline Skiff

Captain's Name: ~~Key~~ Harry Robertson

Signature:

Address:

Phone: (912)



10. SCALES

Location: Richmond Hill Fish Hatchery

Date last certified: Oct. 2022

Certifying Agency: GA Dept of Ag

Weighmaster Name: Frank Buchanan

Signature:

Address: 130 Hatchery Drive Richmond Hill GA  
31324

Phone: (912)



**11. WITNESSES**

Witness to catch (other than angler or captain):

Harry Robertson

Phone: (912) [REDACTED]

Witnesses to weighing (other than angler, captain, or weighmaster):

Alex Lummias

Phone: (912) [REDACTED]

**12. ADDITIONAL COMMENTS** (fighting time, equipment used, additional witnesses, etc.):

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**13. AFFIDAVIT**

I, the undersigned, hereby take oath and attest that the fish described in this application was hooked, fought, and brought to gaff by me without assistance from anyone, except as specifically provided in the regulations, and that it was caught in accordance with Georgia Saltwater Gamefish Records angling rules. I further declare that all information in this application is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature:

Ben Isolan III

Date: 01-30

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When completely filled out and signed, mail this application with photos by quickest means to:

Saltwater Gamefish Records Program  
Coastal Resources Division  
Georgia Department of Natural Resources  
One Conservation Way  
Brunswick, Georgia 31520  
(912) 264 - 7218

Or email a scanned copy to [Paul.Medders@dnr.ga.gov](mailto:Paul.Medders@dnr.ga.gov)



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FUEL AND MEASURES DIVISION

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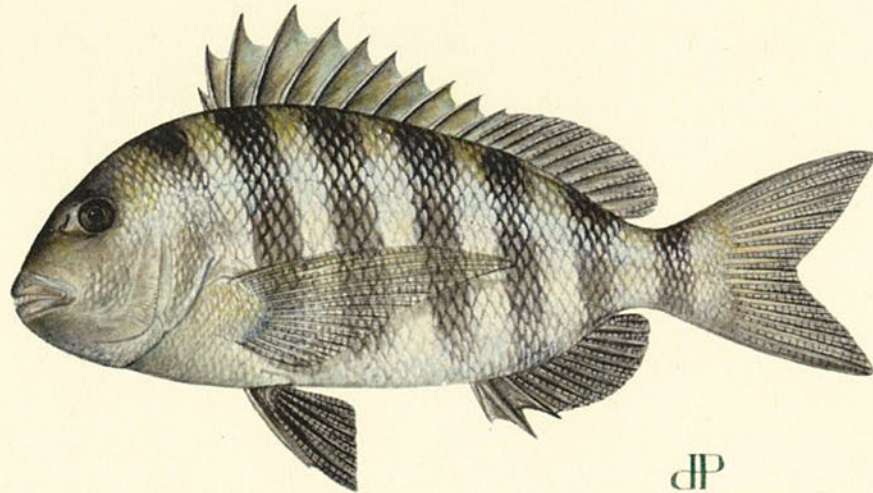












# STATE RECORD

## Georgia Saltwater Game Fish Records Program

The Georgia Department of Natural Resources hereby recognizes that

### BEN GOLDEN III

has been awarded a tie for the men's state angling record for a catch of the heaviest Sheepshead (*Archosargus probatocephalus*) under the rules of the Georgia Saltwater Game Fish Records Program and in accordance with its regulations.

**SHEEPSHEAD**  
*Archosargus probatocephalus*

**14 POUNDS, 14.37 OUNCES**  
*6.76 kilograms*

**JANUARY 27, 2023**  
*Date of Catch*

Witness, this day, February 1, 2023,



**GOVERNOR**  
*State of Georgia*

**COMMISSIONER**  
*Department of Natural Resources*

**DIRECTOR**  
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DOUG HAYMANS  
DIRECTOR

Feb. 1, 2023

Mr. Ralph V. White

[REDACTED]  
Rincon, GA 31326

Dear Ms. Cheek:

I am writing to inform you that the Georgia Saltwater Game Fish Record you hold for Sheepshead (*Archosargus probatocephalus*) from 2002 was recently tied by Mr. Ben Golden III of Midway, Ga.

Mr. Golden landed a 14-pound, 14.37-ounce Sheepshead on Jan. 27, 2023, while fishing near Sunbury, Ga.

This new tie record in no way diminishes the excellence of your previous catch. Each record remains a unique and exciting experience for each angler.

Thank you for your participation in the Georgia Saltwater Game Fish Record program. We look forward to hearing from you again in the future.

Sincerely,

Doug Haymans

Director

Coastal Resources Division

Georgia Department of Natural Resources



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Feb. 1, 2023

Ben Golden III

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Midway, GA 31320

Dear Mr. Golden:

I wish to personally congratulate you on your new tied men's state record catch of a Sheepshead (*Archosargus probatocephalus*), caught Jan. 27, 2023, near Sunbury. Enclosed is a certificate from the Georgia Saltwater Game Fish Records Program that serves to recognize not only the size of the catch, but your skill as an angler and the sportsmanship displayed in landing a record-setting gamefish.

Your name will be added to the official record on our website at CoastalGaDNR.org and will appear in the 2024 edition of the Georgia Sport Fishing Regulations guide.

Again, congratulations on your achievement, and thank you for your participation in Georgia's Saltwater Game Fish Record program.

Sincerely,

Doug Haymans

Director

Coastal Resources Division

Georgia Department of Natural Resources

Enclosures

Cc: Records Review Committee package (copy), Georgia Saltwater Gamefish Record certificate