

Meeting

Tuesday, April 8, 2003

Hilltop Restaurant, 767 St. Andrews Rd. (corner of St. Andrews and Jamil Rd., near junction of St. Andrews and I-26. 7:00 p.m.

MSC's new meeting place features a great at a great price which includes beverage, refills & gratuity, so come early and plan to eat. For those not wishing to eat, there will be a \$3 charge...but you get free beverages & unlimited refills and the club won't have to pay a room fee. Please remember to go through the line and identify yourself as a member of MSC on your way in.

Agenda...

AGENDA: Plans for May kids' tournament, NSBA events

PROGRAM: Striper Habits:

Know Your Quarry; Life History, Habits & Habitat of the Freshwater Striped Bass with Warren Turner, President, National Striped Bass Association. *Don't Miss This!*

2003 Angler of the Year...

Standings after March

1. Lee Thomas	1403 pts.
2. Ann Byrd	1342 pts.
3. Danny Young	1312 pts.
4. Kyle Smith	1304 pts.
5. Forrest Byrd	1239 pts.
6. Claude Laney	1226 pts.
7. Tony Carroll	1206 pts.
8. Brian Thomas	1156 pts.
9. Louis Buckwell	1142 pts.
10. Lorraine Buckwell (tie)	1128 pts.
10. Michael Spires (tie)	1128 pts.
12. Wynn Corley	1106 pts.
13. David W. Jennings	1096 pts.
14. Tony Sheperd	1093 pts.
15. Marshall West	1092 pts.

AC/Delco Voyager Lunker: Jeff Stewart, 23 pounds, 15 ounces (Caught 3/03)

Team Buckwell Tops All In MSC/MAW/NSBA...

Team Buckwell, Louis and Lorraine, battled both the elements and a fierce field of challengers to claim not only 1st Place in MSC's March tourney, but claimed the titles and the gold in the GSK Make-A-Wish and NSBA events as well. They didn't stop there, as they weighed in the big fish to snare the Herndon Chevrolet \$1500 prize and captured the \$500 GM driver bonus too!

The Buckwells weighed in four weighing 42-15 to claim first in MSC's tournament-within-a-tournament and the MAW/NSBA Open. However, their big fish weighed 22-8, enough to win \$1500 in the MAW/NSBA, but was 1 pound 7 ounces shy of the MSC AC-Delco Voyager Lunker weighed in by Jeff Stewart at 23-15. Jeff and John Smith finished 2nd with a total of 28-15. Forrest & Ann Byrd finished 3rd with 26-5.

Tournament Statistics:

65 paid, 9 boats caught 4-fish limits.

19 boats weighed in 60 fish at an average weight of 6.25 lbs.

April tournament one year ago...

Mike Griffith took his 1st MSC tournament win with 5 fish weighing 30-3. In 2nd was veteran Kyle Smith with a limit of 5 weighing 28-5 ounces. Kyle also managed to land the Voyager Lunker, a 9-15 fish. Right behind Kyle was Forrest Byrd, taking 3rd place with five strippers weighing 28 pounds even.

Congratulations Lee, Justin & Jimmy...

The team of Lee Thomas, Jimmy Wright and Justin Wright took 1st place in the first-ever remote live weigh-in NSBAL & S Marine Palmetto Sportsmen's Classic Open Tournament on Lake Murray March 30! Way to go, guys!

PRESIDENT'S CORNER...

Our March meeting was again overflowing. We had many guests and five new members with us. Our ever popular Swap and Shop program was a huge success and many walked away with some great bargains.

I would like to thank Bill Baab, Fishing Editor from the Augusta Chronicle, for his presentation to the family of the late Mary Delage. Mary, aka Groovie Granny, was nominated by Bill and accepted into the Legendary Fishing Guides Hall of Fame. What a great honor for such a special person, a true Lake Murray legend and former member of MSC.

As our club grows each month we must become more organized and follow certain agendas. As stated in our by-laws, all membership dues must be paid by the February meeting. Any membership dues that are delinquent must be brought up to date by the April meeting or you will no longer receive a newsletter and will be placed on MSC's inactive roster.

If there is a reason that you are not able to meet this deadline please let me or any officers of MSC know. I certainly would like for everyone to continue to support our club and its functions. We are and will always be committed to family and conservation.

Looking forward to a great year... *Marshall West, President, 2003*

2003 Officers...

- President - Marshall West 951-3974
- Vice-Pres. - John Davis 781-3856
- Secretary - Billy Taylor 957-3575
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LABEL CODE KEY

If your label code says:

- P-03:** Your dues are paid
- P-02:** Your dues are NOT paid, but you paid \$30 in 2002
- P-02*:** Your dues are NOT paid, but you paid \$15 in 2002
- NP:** Your dues are NOT paid
- O:** Officer
- LTM:** Lifetime member
- Comp:** Complimentary (for sponsors, etc.)
- DNR:** Dept. of Natural Res.
- ?:** We have your application, but no dues record

If you believe your label code is incorrect, please see Jim Goller or Marshall West by the April meeting. If you do not pay, you will be placed on the club's inactive roster and will no longer receive a newsletter.

2003 Tournament Schedule (Tentative)...

Date	Place	Time	Other
Jan. 18	Acapulco	7am-4pm	<i>1st event of 2003</i>
Feb. 15	Holiday Shores	6:45am-3:45pm	
Mar. 15	Dreher Is.	6:20am-until	<i>Boat Tournament w/MAW</i>
Apr. 19	Jakes	6:30am-3:30pm	
May 17	Jakes	7am-12 noon	<i>Kids Tournament</i>
June 21	Jakes	5:45am-5pm	<i>MSC/GSK/NSBA Event*</i>
July 18/19	Jakes	6:30pm-10am	<i>MSC-HydroGlow</i>
<i>All-Night DNR Conservation Benefit Open - NSBA Sanctioned**</i>			
Aug. 15/16	Jakes	6:30pm-10am	<i>All-Night Tournament</i>
Sept. 20	Jakes	7am-12 noon	<i>Ladies' Tournament</i>
Oct. 18	Acapulco	7am-4pm	
Nov. 15	Acapulco	7am-4pm	
Dec. 20	Acapulco	7am-4pm	<i>Double Points!</i>

**Open boat tournament co-sponsored with Greenville Striper Kings. Members may fish a tournament within a tournament. 4-fish per boat maximum weigh-in.*

***July 18-19: MSC / Hydro Glow SCDNR Benefit Open Night Tournament*

July 18-19, 2003, Jakes Landing, 6:30 p.m. until 10:00 a.m. Special MSC DNR Conservation Open Tournament sanctioned by the NSBA. MSC tournament within a tournament. Hydro Glow will award \$250 each to 1st place and Big Fish...but ONLY if fishing with a Hydro Glow light. This is a boat tournament and start/end times may change.

(Schedule is tentative, based on ramp access and other factors...always check in advance!)

April Tournament...

Saturday, April 19, 2003

6:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Jakes Landing

Individual MSC Tournament - 3 Fish Maximum Weigh-In

MSC thanks the following sponsors: AC-Delco; AnglersChannel.com; Better Bait & Tackle; Blueback Bait; Driftmaster; Goodyear; HydroGlow Fishing Lights; Benjamin A. Lanza, D.P.M.; Sea Hunt Boats; Shakespeare; *South Carolina Wildlife*; Spiegel Distributors; Tru-Green/Chemlawn; Wal-Mart, Dannco, LLC



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Are Your Dues Paid?

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