

### Meeting

**Tuesday, August 12, 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 an inexpensive meal 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:** *Recap of July; plans for August MSC Night Tournament.*

**PROGRAM:** *Beating the Electric Gremlin:* Battery Selection, Setup and Care, Wiring Setup & Repair. If these guys can't cure it, no one can. MSC's own Lee Thomas and Jim Goller.

**Don't Miss This!**

### 2003 Angler of the Year...

Standings after July

1. Ann Byrd	3277 pts.
2. Lee Thomas	3142 pts.
3. Forrest Byrd	3031 pts.
4. Danny Young	2971 pts.
5. Michael Spires	2938 pts.
6. Brian Thomas	2878 pts.
7. Claude Laney	2834 pts.
8. Tony Carroll	2762 pts.
9. Kyle Smith	2732 pts.
10. Joby Wetzel	2668 pts.
11. Wynn Corley	2519 pts.
12. James B. Lindler	2515 pts.
13. Marshall West	2505 pts.
14. Dan Derrick	2270 pts.
15. David W. Jennings	2264 pts.

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

### John Davis, Joby Wetzel Light Up July HG/DNR Open...

The team of John Davis and Joby Wetzel captured first place in our July night event plus third in the NSBA-sanctioned DNR Benefit Open. John and Joby weighed a limit of four stripers that tipped the scales at 33.65 pounds.

In second place was the team of Marshall West, Wynn Corley, weighing in their four at 29.85 pounds. Finishing in third place (after a long absence) was the team of Jim "Nubed Retiree" Goller and sons Brandon and Ryan, who weighed in four weighing 29.04 pounds.

The HG Open was won by the team of John Gainey, Johnny Stabolites, Jimmy Stabolites, Larry Satbolites, Jimmy Bass and Joe Snow with a total 4 fish weight of 40.20. Finishing in 2nd Place was the team of Johnny Bell and John Seitz with 40 pounds even and a tournament big fish of 19.20.

#### Tournament Statistics:

**59 fish the HydroGlow Open**

**46 boats weighed in 175 fish at an average weight of 4.98 lbs.**

#### August Tournament one year ago...

Lee Thomas, waiting patiently until all others had weighed their catch, emptied his cooler one by one into a weigh basket, keeping the crowd in suspense. Reaching in to dig out his fifth fish, Lee produced a 22 lb. 7 oz. striper that brought applause from the crowd and groans from competing anglers. Lee's five weighed 41-13 and put him in the lead for AOTY. His big fish became the new Voyager Lunker for 2002.

In second place with 30-14 was Townsend Wessinger. Only one ounce behind was one of MSC's newest members, Dean Wilson, who finished in 3rd place with a weight of 30-13.

### PRESIDENT'S CORNER...

Our MSC/HydroGlow DNR Open was a success...we pulled it off and I think in fine fashion. A special note of thanks to Darell Keith, HydroGlow, our primary sponsor. There's not enough space to thank all who helped make this event a success, but appropriate "accolades will be lavished" at our next meeting. Bad weather threatened, but it quickly blew away so we could begin fishing on time. While I do not have the final figures, we raised some money towards a DNR conservation project.

We've passed the half way mark in our year and it's not too early to start thinking about what Midlands Striper Club wants to do next year. First and foremost, offices must be filled and committee members appointed. This is a democratic club and any club member in good standing is eligible to fill any office or assignment. Please start thinking about this process.

The programs have been excellent this year and it seems MSC members conducted some of the best. We need to plan our 2004 programs and, to make sure we present what you want to hear, we need your ideas and suggestions. We'll accept all ideas, but cannot guarantee your suggestion will be used because with our banquet and officer elections, we only do ten programs a year. **Thanks...** *Marshall West, President, 2003*



### 2003 Officers...

- President - Marshall West 951-3974
- Vice-Pres.- John Davis 781-3856
- Secretary - Billy Taylor 957-3575
- Treasurer - James Cassell 345-9010
- Tour. Dirs. - James Lindler 939-4647  
- Terry Allen 808-0770
- Parliment. - Bob Marshall 251-1426

### Dear MSC...

As most of you know, I retired from DNR on August 1. I relished my time with an agency that was more a way of life than just a job. I've become the executive director of the Harry Hampton Wildlife Fund Inc., which will allow me to continue working with DNR and the state's natural resources for years to come. Now, I'll have a bit more time to fish and work with MSC.

I also am "hanging out a shingle" under my company name, "TechNautica" to begin another career passion: installing and troubleshooting boat electronics and performing electrical installations. I'm also continuing to build low end starter web sites for budget conscious clients under "jgNetWorks."

If I can ever be of service in either of these areas, please let me know...

Thanks...

Jim Goller

### 2003 Tournament Schedule...

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!)**

### MSC August Night Tournament...

**Friday-Saturday, August 15-16, 2003**

**All-Night Tournament**

**Jakes Landing 6:30 p.m. until 10:00 a.m.**

**MSC: \$5 Entry Fee - 3 fish Maximum Weigh In Per Angler**

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