

### July Meeting...

**Tuesday, July 9, 2002**

Our regular meeting will be held at 7:30 pm at **Western Sizzlin', corner of I-26 & 378, Columbia.** Come early if you plan to eat.

Our last meeting on lighting techniques for night fishing was a hit. Thanks to Darrell Keith, President of Hydro Glow, for his support of our conservation fund with a light for our raffle and for sponsoring our August night tournament.

Thanks also to AnglersChannel.com for their program and donation and to all our sponsors who do so much to support MSC!

### July Agenda...

#### *Upcoming Regular & MSC*

#### *HydroGlow Night Tournaments:*

Discussion plus details on MSC/Hydro Glow August DNR Benefit event.

#### *Program: "Super Dave" Ewan*

**Gettin' Down...** The ups & downs of how to get down deep. Dave explains his methods and offer tips on choosing a method, tackle, equipment. Discussion on trolling with downriggers, lead core, planers & more.

**Don't miss this!**

### 2002 Angler of the Year...

Standings after six events:

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| 1. Lee Thomas         | 2571 pts. |
| 2. Justin Wright      | 2541 pts. |
| 3. Danny Young        | 2360 pts. |
| 4. Townsend Wessinger | 2182 pts. |
| 5. Dal Dyches         | 2094 pts. |
| 6. Kyle Smith         | 2040 pts. |
| 7. James Lindler      | 1996 pts. |
| 8. Marshall West      | 1924 pts. |
| 9. Joby Wetzell       | 1919 pts. |
| 10. Forrest Byrd      | 1914 pts. |
| 11. Brad Pittman      | 1884 pts. |
| 12. Ann Byrd          | 1858 pts. |
| 13. John Davis        | 1846 pts. |
| 14. Mike Huber        | 1823 pts. |
| 15. Jimmy Wright      | 1800 pts. |

□ **Voyager Lunker:**

**Lorraine Buckwell, 20 lbs. - 8 oz.**

### Lee, Justin & Jimmy win MSC...3rd in NSBA...

The team of Lee Thomas, Justin & Jimmy Wright captured not only MSC's first place and the Voyager Lunker, a 13.49 pound striper, but finished 3rd in the NSBA/Striper Kings Open Benefit Tournament as well. The 3rd place finish, with a weight of 35.85 pounds, propelled Justin into the lead for NSBA's Youth Angler with one event to go on Lake Thurmond August 3rd, and ensured Lee Thomas the title of Lake Murray 2002 NSBA Champion.

In MSC's 2nd place was the team of Brian Thomas, Michael Spires and Kelly Williams, who weighed in a 4-fish limit of 28.28 pounds. Finishing 3rd was the team of Ann and Forrest Byrd with four that weighed 21.69 pounds.

The NSBA/Striper Kings Open Benefit event produced a 31.85 pound striped bass caught by the 1st place team of Terry Caulder, Zack Caulder, Chris Mitchell and Chad Cox. Finishing 2nd was the team of David and Kim Smith, edging 3rd place finishers Lee, Justin and Jimmy by only 0.70 pounds.

Congratulations to the anglers above and to all others who fished the NSBA and our own MSC event.

#### **Tournament Statistics:**

**37 paid, 34 fished in 15 boats**

**11 boats weighed in 37 fish at an average weight of 5.64**

**6 Four Fish Limits**

#### *July night tournament one year ago...*

Forrest Byrd caught five weighing 29 pounds, 8 ounces that beat all in our first night tournament of the year, including a 7 pound, 10 ounce fish that won the Voyager Lunker for the all night tournament. This was Forrest's second win and second Voyager Lunker in a row.

Finishing in second place with five stripers weighing 25 pounds, 3 ounces, was Johnathan Gossett. Finishing third was Lee Thomas with five weighing 24 pounds, 11 ounces.

### PRESIDENT'S CORNER...

Wow what a great meeting! We had a room full plus some great door prizes from our sponsors. Thanks to all, including those who gave seminars. We owe a special thanks to Darrell from Hydro Glow and to Mark and John from Anglers Channel.com.

Now it's time for the night events and nothing is more important than our safety on the water, especially at night. We need to stay alert at all times. **THINK SAFETY!** Check all lights, and equipment, be sure everything in good working order before you go out on the lake in the dark.

Usually a group of members gather at the launch site around 11-12pm for a good, old-fashioned cook out and all are invited to come in and cook with us and tell about the one that got away. BYOF (bring your own food) and come on in and let's eat...the grill will be hot and waiting! If you've never participated, I encourage you to try it out...you'll be glad you did. Now let's get those boats in order and catch some fish!

*Good Fishing!*

*Catchall Lee Thomas, President*

### 2002 Officers...

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### Congratulations Lee...

Lee Thomas, fishing with his team of Jimmy & Justin Wright, placed 3rd in the June 15 NSBA tournament at Billy Dreher. The finish earned Lee the title of Lake Murray 2002 NSBA Champion.

What an accomplishment...and thanks for proudly wearing MSC "colors." We'll all be pulling for you in the overall NSBA Championship and for Justin in August!

### 2002 Tournament Schedule...

Date	Place	Time	Other
Jan. 19	Billy Dreher Is.	7am-4pm	1st event of 2002
Feb. 16	Billy Dreher Is.	6:45am-3:45pm	
Mar. 16	Acapulco	6:30am-3:30pm	
(March is a 4-fish boat limit event...final rules to be discussed at March meeting)			
Apr. 20	Jakes	6:30am-3:30pm	
May 18	Jakes	7am-12 noon	<i>Kids Tournament</i>
June 8	Bundrick Is.	7am-12 noon	<i>DNR Media Event</i>
June 15	Dreher Is.	5:45am-5pm	<i>NSBA Event</i>
July 19/20	Jakes	6:30pm-10am	<i>All-Night Tournament</i>
Aug. 16/17	Jakes	6:30pm-10am	<i>MSC-HydroGlow</i>
<i>All-Night DNR Conservation Benefit Tournament - Details TBA</i>			
Sept. 21	Jakes	7am-12 noon	<i>Ladies' Tournament</i>
Oct. 19	Dreher Is.	7am-4pm	
Nov. 16	Dreher Is.	7am-4pm	
Dec. 21	Dreher Is.	7am-4pm	<i>Double Points!</i>

**\*\*August 16-17: MSC/Hydro Glow SCDNR Benefit Night Tournament**

August 16-17, 2002, Jakes Landing, 6:30 p.m. until 10:00 a.m.

Special membership drive allows prospective members to join for the balance of 2002 for only \$15 and fish the August Night Tournament. \$250 each to 1st place and Big Fish...but ONLY if fishing with a Hydro Glow light.

### July MSC All-Night Tournament...

**Friday-Saturday, July 19-20, 2002**

**6:30 pm - 10:00 am**

**Jakes Landing**

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