



# Midlands Striper Club NEWS

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March 2001

## March Meeting

**Tuesday, March 13, 2001**

Our regular meeting will be held at 7:30 pm at **Quincy's, corner of I-26 & 378, Columbia, near Lexington Medical Center**. Come early if you plan to eat.

Our own Herb "Cut Bait" Meyers gave us a cut bait seminar to kick off the new year and Jason Schaffer will be here this month with news of the Lake Murray striper telemetry study.

Don't forget...**time to pay dues!** For dues and annual tournament fee payments, look for James Cassell.

## Programs...

**March:** Jason Schaffer, Clemson, reports on striper telemetry study.

**April:** Lowrance Rep. Jon Peters of Atlana shows us how to use & interpret the latest depthfinders.

## Febuary Tournament...

**Saturday, March 17, 2001**

**6:00 am - 3:00 pm**

**Hilton Landing**

## 2001 Angler of the Year...

Standings after two events:

1. Lee Thomas	511 pts.
2. James Cassell	501 pts.
3. Dal Dyches	493 pts.
4. Jerry Buckley	448 pts.
5. Lemond Vanderford	439 pts.
6. James Lindler	404 pts.
7. Townsend Wessinger	397 pts.
8. Billy DuRant	366 pts.
9. Jimmy Wright	347 pts.
10. David Clyburn	346 pts.
11. John Davis	327 pts.
12. Eddie Adams	325 pts.
13. Joby Wetzel	320 pts.
14. Justin Wright	312 pts.
Best of the rest...	250 pts.

● **Voyager Luncker: Dal Dyches, 16 - 11**

## Dal Dyches Lands Luncker In February...

Dal Dyches stole the show at the scales in February with a 16 pound, 11 ounce luncker and one additional "insurance" fish that sealed his first place win in our second club tournament of the year. Dal's big fish took the February Voyager Luncker award, and is the biggest striper caught in the club for 2001.

In second place was recent member Jerry Buckley with four fish weighing 21 pounds, 12 ounces. Finishing third with a total weight of 13 pounds, 6 ounces for his three fish total was Lemond Vanderford, who joined in 2000. Anglers again faced a tough day of fishing rapidly changing fronts. Recent reports show warming water is turning fish on all over the lake, so March could be interesting.

**Tournament Report: 36 paid to fish.**

**22 fish caught, 0 five-fish limits.**

**Total weight: 122.69; Avg weight: 5.58; Avg Lgth. 23.98"**

### *March tournament report one year ago...*

Townsend Wessinger made it two of three for 2000 by bringing a limit of five fish weighing 21.25 to the scales, taking first place in March.

Only *6 hundredths* of a pound behind and in second place was Billy DuRant with another five-fish limit weighed in at 21.19. In third place with four fish was Marshall West. Marshall also won MSC's Big Fish honors with a 6.69 striped bass.

Average weight per fish fell this tournament by almost a pound and the average length per fish was down nearly an inch.

*Mike Huber & Joby Wetzel, Tournament Directors*

MSC Web site is approaching 10,000 hits since last August. *Editor*

## President's Corner...

Thanks to all who attended the Febuary meeting. We had a really great turnout, gave away some great door prizes, ate some great food and had some great fellowship. A special thanks to Herb "Cut Bait" Myers for his cut bait seminar which was fun, entertaining and very helpful to all.

If you missed out on the meeting in Febuary you dont want to miss another. The meetings will only get better with the upcoming seminars the P&T Committee has put together. Come on out for some really good information that will help you become a better, more knowledgeable striper fisherman.

Hope to see everyone at the meetings and tournaments this year. Don't forget that "dues are due" if you haven't already paid for 2001. Bring the family and come on out and get involved in a family-oriented striped bass fishing club...YOUR MSC!

*Good Fishing!*

*Catchall Lee Thomas, President*



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## 2001 Officers...

- President - Lee Thomas 532-1317
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- Secretary - Merida Baergen 781-4394
- Treasurer - James Cassell 345-9010
- Tour. Dirs. - Mike Huber 781-5680
- Joby Wetzel 781-2364

## FOR SALE, ETC...

**1995 Irvette Bay Explorer** 70 HP, 16' center console, 20 gal. Ron Vest bait tank, Lowrance X85 depth sounder, autopilot trolling motor. Garage kept. Great starter striper boat! \$6800. Call Joby at 781-2364.

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**WANTED:** 20 gallon or 30 gallon Ron Vest or similar filter tank. Sgt. Linwood Kearse, SCDNR Hunter & Boater Education. 803-734-3999 or give info to Jim Goller.

## 2001 Tournament Schedule...

Date	Place	Time	Other
Jan. 20	Billy Dreher Is.	7am-4pm	1st event of 2001
Feb. 17	Billy Dreher Is.	6:45am-3:45pm	
Mar. 17	Hilton	6:00am-3:00pm	
Apr. 21	Jakes	6:30am-3:30pm	
May 12	Jakes	7am - 12noon*	<u>Ladies' Tournament</u>
May 19	Jakes	6am-3pm	
June 9	Bundrick Is.	TBA	<u>DNR Media Event</u>
June 16	Jakes	6am-3pm	
July 20/21	Jakes	6:30pm-10am	All-Night Tournament
Aug. 17/18	Jakes	6:30pm-10am	All-Night Tournament
Sept. 15	Jakes	7am-12noon*	<u>Kids Tournament</u>
Oct. 20	Hilton	7am-4pm	
Nov. 17	Dreher Is.	7am-4pm	
Dec. 15	Dreher Is.	7am-4pm	<u>Double Points!</u>

*\*Weigh-in, lunch & followed by a friendly calcutta...details TBA!*

## February Minutes...

- Treasury: \$2608
- Leg. Report: Status of Mr. Rizer's bill removing amendment negating size limits.
- Ladies Tournament: May 12; 7 am - 12 pm; cookout, calcutta.
- Team Teaching: Twice a year...members learning from members
- Tournament Locations: Added Acupulco Landing, details TBA
- Rod Rule: Tabled until March. Members asked to weigh pros & cons and vote at March meeting to keep 4 rod limit or vote for a change.
- Consensus to emphasize wearing life jackets when on plane and moving.
- Lake World Tournament: June 2
- DNR Media Tournament: June 9; Bundrick Island

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