



NEWS...

March 2003

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Mar.-New Location/Time!

Tuesday, March 11, 2003

NEW MEETING LOCATION
and 7:00 P.M. START TIME!
Hilltop Restaurant, 767 St. Andrews Rd. (corner of St. Andrews and Jamil Rd., near junction of St. Andrews and I-26. Call 803-772-9252.)

MSC's new meeting place features a great at a great price which includes beverage, refills & gratuity. 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: Make A Wish/MSC Tourn. Within A Tourn. details.

PROGRAM: MSC Swap & Shop: One man's junk is another's treasure! Bring any fishing and boating items you wish to sell or trade. (Those bringing items should arrive no later than 6:30 to set up and display their wares.)

2003 Angler of the Year...

Standings after February

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| 1. Lee Thomas | 893 pts. |
| 2. Danny Young | 834 pts. |
| 3. Kyle Smith | 829 pts. |
| 4. Ann Byrd | 796 pts. |
| 5. David W. Jennings | 780 pts. |
| 6. Kevin Morse | 750 pts. |
| 7. Claude Laney | 748 pts. |
| 8. Jamers B. Lindler | 733 pts. |
| 9. Tony Carroll | 710 pts. |
| 10. Forrest Byrd | 693 pts. |
| 11. Brian Thomas (tie) | 646 pts. |
| 11. Justin Wright (tie) | 646 pts. |
| 13. Michael Spires | 618 pts. |
| 14. Joby Wetzel | 616 pts. |
| 15. Wynn Corley | 610 pts. |
- **Voyager Lunker: Lee Thomas, 13 pounds, 2 ounces (Caught 1/03)**

Arthur Simmons Hot In February Win...

Just about everyone Co-Tournament Director James Lindler talked with before hand expected a great day of fishing for MSC's second event of the 2003. However, that was not to be, as a wedge of low pressure slowed the bite on an unusually warm February day.

Although most of the club's customary top anglers did manage to hold their position or even move up a bit in the standings, the top angler was a newcomer to the winner's circle.

First place was claimed by Arthur Simmons with his limit of three weighing 20-8. In second was two-time Youth AOTY Justin Wright with three totaling 18-0. In third was Wynn Corley with three fish weighing 17-9. The February AC-Delco Voyager Lunker, 8-13, was also caught by Arthur Simmons.

Thanks to the Geddings for their hospitality at Holiday Shores!

Tournament Statistics:

55 paid, 53 fished, 11 caught 3-fish limits.

34 anglers weighed in 68 fish at an average weight of 5.27 lbs.

March tournament one year ago...

March marked MSC's first-ever team boat tournament. New members Louis and Lorraine Buckwell stole the show, fishing their first MSC tournament, by weighing a 4-fish limit of 46 lbs, 10 ozs to take 1st place. The Buckwell's 4 included Lorraine's Voyager Lunker, which weighed 20 lbs, 8 ozs. Finishing 2nd was the team of Townsend Wessinger, Dal Dyches and Kyle Smith with a 4-fish weight of 25 even. 3rd was the father/son team of Jimmy and Justin Wright with a 4-fish weight of 24 lbs, 11 ozs.

Reminder! You must pay your annual dues to maintain active member status and continue to receive a newsletter!

PRESIDENT'S CORNER...

Wasn't the February meeting great? It was most informative and very interesting. Kyle, Townsend and Lee did an outstanding job on the techniques and tips of planer boards. Our members have talent and best of all, they're willing to share. Our appreciation goes out to Lexington Sen. Jake Knotts for coming and speaking at our meeting. His remarks on his stance on the proposed Hatchery Stamp were very interesting and listened to intently by all in attendance.

Our annual "Swap & Shop" is this month, so bring your stuff! More programs are lining up to be just as informative and interesting throughout the year.

Just a reminder that PAC subcommittee assignments were handed out at our last PAC meeting. Everyone needs to do their part so that we can continue to be a successful club.

Our last meeting shows how much we have grown in the last couple of years. We had well over 70 people in attendance and February meetings are typically small. I believe we have all the "bugs" worked out on our eating arrangements. Please remember that you must go through the cashier, whether eating or not, and identify yourself as being with the MSC to receive the buffet discount. There is a \$3.00 charge if you not eating and this entitles you to unlimited drinks. This is necessary to receive the use of the room free.

Until next time...

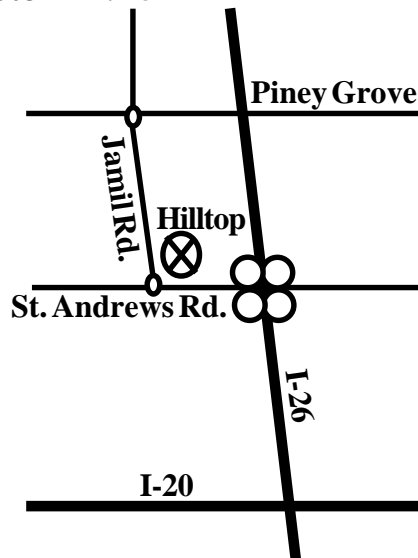
Marshall West, President, 2003

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NOTICE:

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Hilltop Restaurant, 7:00 p.m.
767 St. Andrews Road
803-772-9252



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!)

March Tournament...

Saturday, March 15, 2003

Approximate start time: 6:20 a.m.

Dreher Island, in conjunction w/GSK/MAW/NSBA

Boat Tournament (you may fish MSC tournament within the MAW)

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