



Midlands Striper Club NEWS

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November Meeting

Tuesday, November 13, 2001

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

Thanks to all members who participated in October's open forum on fall & winter tactics! Don't miss this important meeting with nomination of officers and bylaw changes vote, plus an interesting program. Come out and join in!

Programs...

Nov: AnglersChannel.com...

John Byrne, Pres. & Mark Schmidt, VP will be here to discuss AnglersChannel.com and its benefits. Don't miss this new concept in online angler services!

November Tournament...

Saturday, November 17

7:00 am - 4:00 pm

Acapulco Landing

2001 Angler of the Year...

Standings through October:

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| 1. Billy DuRant | 3655 pts. |
| 2. Lee Thomas | 3623 pts. |
| 3. James Cassell | 3322 pts. |
| 4. Marshall West | 3277 pts. |
| 5. Forrest Byrd | 3050 pts. |
| 6. Justin Wright | 2900 pts. |
| 7. Ann Byrd | 2717 pts. |
| 8. Lemond Vanderford | 2579 pts. |
| 9. John Davis | 2554 pts. |
| 10. James Lindler | 2544 pts. |
| 11. Jimmy Wright | 2507 pts. |
| 12. Joby Wetzel | 2414 pts. |
| 13. Townsend Wessinger | 2306 pts. |
| 14. Dal Dyches | 2277 pts. |
| 15. James Kelly | 1986 pts. |

● **Voyager Lunker: Forrest Byrd, 21 - 15**

Justin Does It "Wright" in October Tournament ...

Justin Wright had the "right stuff" to win in October with a five fish limit weighing 26-4. Marshall West was close behind in second place with another limit weighing 24-5. Marshall also had the Voyager Lunker for the event, weighing in a 7-11 striper. (No...he didn't buy it at 7-11.) Justin's dad Jimmy Wright finished third with five weighing 23-0.

Rumour has it that Jimmy tried a new approach to chumming...really throwing "himself" into his efforts when he cut off the tip of a finger...but it paid off with his 3rd place showing.

Tournament Report: 26 paid, 24 fished.

54 fish caught, 7 five-fish limits.

Total weight: 227.31; Avg weight: 4.2

November Tournament One Year Ago...

Lee Thomas jumped ahead of wife Kathy in November, but failed to overtake Billy DuRant in the race for 2000 AOTY. Lee's five stripers weighed 26.25. AOTY leader Billy DuRant was only a few pounds back at 23.19, good for second. In third place was Kathy Thomas, also challenging to become MSC's first female AOTY, with five stripers weighing 20.88. Lee Thomas also weighed the biggest striped bass at 6.69 pounds, claiming the *Voyager Lunker* (Big Fish) honors.

Proposed 2002 Officers...

The following are proposed by the nominating committee. The floor will be open for nominations from the floor at this meeting as well.

President: Lee Thomas; **Vice President:** Marshall West; **Secretary:** John Davis; **Treasurer:** James Cassell; **Co-Tournament Directors:** Mike Huber and James Lindler.

The following are new posts proposed by the PAC Committee requiring a club vote on bylaw changes (see bylaw changes on reverse side): **Parliamentarian:** Jim Goller; **PAC Members-at-large:** Billy Durant, Bob Marshall, Mitch Crawford, Joby Wetzel, Celeste Huber, Billy Taylor.

Respectfully submitted: Jim Goller, Chairman, Nominations

President's Corner...

Thanks to everyone who attended the October meeting...we had a great one with excellent winter tactics presented by some of MSC's best.

This month is important as we consider 2002 officers and bylaw changes.

As we continue to grow as a club, let's not forget to make our new members feel welcome as they learn from us and us from them.

I still need 5 volunteers to help solicit door prizes for our AOTY banquet coming up in January...I can't do it without your help. Jump in with both feet and get involved and share the rewards of being part of such a wonderful fishing club. We need an accurate head count of those planning to attend, so come sign up or at least let us know if you're attending! See you at the meeting, and until then...

Good Fishing!

Catchall Lee Thomas, President



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2001 Officers...

- President - Lee Thomas 532-1317
- Vice-Pres. - Marshall West 951-3974
- Secretary - Merida Baergen 781-4394
- Treasurer - James Cassell 345-9010
- Tour. Dirs. - Mike Huber 781-5680
- Joby Wetzel 781-2364

FOR SALE...

Super Bait Tanks (Ron Vest) 40 gal models; rather trade for smaller Ron Vest tanks than sell, but will take \$400 for either. Both are about 2 years old, in good shape, need more room in boat. Will travel to trade if necessary.

Jack Mullins; vmullins4170@hotmail.com

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	Acapulco	7am-4pm	
Dec. 15	Dreher Is.	7am-4pm	<u>Double Points!</u>

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

MSC Proposed Bylaws Changes - Required Posting For November Vote ...

ARTICLE III

Section 1, Officers be amended to read: **Officers and Projects and Conservation Committee.** (Purpose is to make PAC a standing committee and to allow MSC membership to vote on makeup of full PAC.) Item **c. Secretary** be amended to read: maintains accurate minutes of all meetings, reports at each meeting; handles club correspondence and bylaws/tournament rules changes, working with newsletter/webmaster. (Purpose is to better define role of this position.) Item **e. Tournament Director** be amended to read: Tournament Director(s). (Purpose: to allow for co-tournament directors, when available.) Items **f.** and **g.** be added as follows: **f. Parliamentarian.** Maintains order at club meetings, following Robert's Rules of Order. (Purpose: to make certain that meetings are conducted in a timely manner that is fair to all members.)

g. Projects and Conservation Committee. Assists in the operation and running of club tournaments, conservation, legislative and membership/sponsorship projects. PAC shall consist of all club officers and tournament director(s), plus six committee members-at-large, elected from the general MSC membership during election of officers. PAC chairman shall be appointed from the full PAC by the MSC President, who sits on PAC but votes only in case of a tie vote. (Purpose is to assure broad membership representation in the PAC and to allow the full MSC membership a voice in the filling of all PAC slots.)

ARTICLE V Executive Council

The name of the Executive Council shall be changed to Board of Directors. (Purpose is to allow the club to continue to operate as an incorporated entity.)

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