

Next Meeting...

Tuesday, April 8, 2008 Carolina Wings and Rib House, 2347 Augusta Rd., West Columbia. 7:00 P.M. Come at 6 p.m. if you plan to eat. The buffet meal is reasonable and there is a \$3 charge for beverages for those who do not eat. This keeps the club from paying extra for the meeting room. See website for a map and more information.

Agenda...

Agenda: Youth Angler Tournament, other items.

Program: MSC Swap and Shop, Anglers' Yard Sale! Bring all of your new or used, serviceable fishing and boating gear to swap or sell at the meeting. This was a huge hit last fall and is just in time for you to get a jump on spring cleaning! Bargains galore with some great equipment available for at great savings! **Don't miss out on your "deal of a lifetime!"**

2008 Angler of the Year...

1. Lorraine Buckwell	1834 pts.
2. Louis Buckwell	1687 pts.
3. David Sellers	1663 pts.
4. Justin Christopher	1598 pts.
5. Dean Preston	1529 pts.
6. Donnie Christopher	1482 pts.
7. Matt Southard	1461 pts.
8. Adam Ledford	1453 pts.
9. Kreg Frady	1438 pts.
10. Kevin Rife	1399 pts.
11. Lee Thomas	1333 pts.
12. Michael Spires	1280 pts.
13. Woody Barnes	1213 pts.
14. Danny Young	1196 pts.
15. Jerry Broughton	1151 pts.

Team Leader: Team Buckwell 1237 pts.
Nichols Store Big Fish: Lorraine Buckwell, 26 lbs. - 14 ozs., caught Mar. '08.

Team "The Buckwells" Makes It 2-In-A-Row In March!

MSC's March Team Tournament out of Acapulco Landing was won by Louis and Lorraine Buckwell in a 2-in-a-row win. Team "The Buckwells" caught four striped bass weighing 39 lbs 7ozs. Louis and Lorraine also caught the Big Fish of the tournament weighing 26 lbs.14 ozs., which takes over as the Big Fish of the year so far in the club. The Buckwells received the Lake World team award as well as the Nichol's Store Big Fish prize.

Finishing second with 34 lbs. 15 ozs. was "Team Catch 22," captained by Terry Caulder. In third place with 31 lbs. 15 ozs. was "Team Po Boys," Dean Preston, along with team member David Sellers.

The winner of the lowest legal creel weight prize for March was team "Fog Don," captained by James Lindler fishing with Brad Pittman, with 3 lbs. 3 ozs.

MSC April Tournament One Year Ago . . .

First place went to Donnie "Wildman" Christopher with three striped bass weighing 42 lbs. 2 oz. Donnie also had the Big Fish weighing a whopping 27-4, which won the Nichols Store of Rock Hill Big Fish prize (and for the year - *ed.*). Finishing 2nd was Kelly Powers with 38-14 including a nice 16-5 striper. David "Gasman" Sturgis finished 3rd with 22-9.

The winner of April's lowest legal creel weight was Ed Woodward from Rock Hill with 3-1. Other anglers took notably large fish, including Danny Young with a 20-1 fish and "Big John" Sightler with a 15-10 striper.

PRESIDENT'S CORNER...

March was another busy month for MSC.

First, a great meeting and program by Terry "Team Catch 22" Caulder. The Palmetto Sportsmen's Classic Tournament, jointly sponsored by Midlands Striper Club and The Striped Bass Conservation Coalition (SBCC), seemed to be a great success. There were some nice fish brought to the scale, with the largest two being over 20 pounds! Thanks to all Midlands members who worked setting up, conducting the weigh-in, tearing down all the equipment and keeping the fish alive. Also, thanks to all who participated and paid the entry fees to fish. The money will be used to support SCDNR, and the fish that were caught will hopefully be used as brood fish for the hatchery. We had fishermen participating from as far away as Pennsylvania! At the weigh-in, I heard we had approximately 50 boats registered.

Also this month, congratulations are in order for the Buckwells on their second straight tournament win, and Lorraine's big fish of 26 pounds. After the summer oxygen level problems and die-off, it is wonderful to see those nice fish survived.

Don't forget our April Meeting, with a "Fisherman's Swap and Shop." Bring all your surplus fishing or boating gear to sell or swap. Should be a fun time and some great bargains should be available.

See you all there!

Harold Alewine, 2008 President

2008 Officers...

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MSC Dues Status Key

MSC Dues Are Past Due!

NEWSLETTER LABEL CODE KEY

If your label code says:

- P-08: Your '08 dues are paid
- P-07: Your dues are NOT paid, you paid \$30 dues in 2007
- P-07*: Your dues are NOT paid, you paid \$15 in 2007
- O: Officer
- LTM: Lifetime member
- Comp: Complimentary (for sponsors, etc.)
- DNR: Dept. of Natural Resources

In accordance with our bylaws, dues were payable by or before the February meeting. If you believe your code is incorrect, please email Jim Goller (wildlifesc@embarqmail.com) or see an officer at the meeting. Mistakes are made and we will be happy to rectify any errors.

2008 Tournament Schedule

Date	Place	Time	Other
Jan. 19	Acapulco	Safe Light - 3 pm	<i>Individual</i>
Feb. 16	Acapulco	Safe Light - 3 pm	<i>Team Boat Tournament</i>
Mar. 15	Acapulco	Safe Light - 3 pm	<i>Team Boat Tournament</i>
Mar. 29	TBA	TBA	<i>SCBCC/MSC Benefit Open</i>
Apr. 19	Jakes	Safe Light - 3 pm	<i>Individual Tournament</i>
May 17	Jakes	7 am - 12 noon	<i>Youth Angler Tournament</i>
June 21	Jakes	Safe Light - 3 pm	<i>Team Boat Tournament</i>
July 18/19	Jakes	6:30 pm - 10 am	<i>MSC All-Night DNR Benefit Open Boat Tournament</i>
Aug. 15/16	Jakes	6:30 pm - 10 am	<i>Night Team Boat Tournament</i>
Sept. 20	Jakes	7 am - 12 noon	<i>Lady Angler Tournament</i>
Oct. 18	Jakes	Safe Light - 3 pm	<i>Individual Tournament</i>
Nov. 15	Acapulco	Safe Light - 3 pm	<i>Team Boat Tournament</i>
Dec. 20	Acapulco	Safe Light - 3 pm	<i>Individual - Double Points!</i>

(Schedule is tentative, based on ramp access and other factors...)

Always check in advance!

Individual Event Creel: 3 fish per angler

Team Boat Event Creel: 4 fish per boat

Youth & Lady Angler Event Creels: 2 fish per angler

MSC April Individual Tournament

Saturday, April 19, 2008

Jakes Landing

Safe Light - 3:00 p.m.

3-Fish Maximum Weigh-In Per Angler

MSC thanks the following sponsors: Better Bait & Tackle; Blueback Bait; Boaters World (Charlotte); Creek Bank Bait Tanks, Dannco, LLC; Donna Gardner Builders; Driftmaster; Goodyear; HydroGlow; Kaufman Construction, Lake World; Ben A. Lanza, D.P.M.; Dr. Todd Barrett; Nichols Store of Rock Hill, Sea Hunt Boats; Shakespeare; South Lake Marine; Wal-Mart.

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