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The Newsletter of Midlands Striper Club, Lake Murray, SC

December 2009



MSC November Team Winners: Team Wildman 1st Place; Team Jon Boy, 2nd Place; Team 50%, Big Fish; Team Nobody 3rd Place; Team 2 Guys and a Gizzard, Small Creel.

TEAM WILDMAN CAPTURES MSC NOVEMBER TEAM TOURNAMENT AND SEALS 2009 TEAM OF THE YEAR, ITS 2ND TOTY IN 3 YEARS! TEAM 50% CATCHES NICHOLS STORE BIG FISH

Midlands Striper Club's November Team Tournament was held Saturday, November 21 out of Spinner's Resort on Lake Murray. 35 Anglers in 16 boats participated, and 33 keeper striped bass came to the scales.

First place went to Team Wildman with a total weight of 21 lbs., 8 ozs. Team Wildman consists of Donnie and Justin Christopher, both of Rock Hill, Skip Morgan of Rock Hill and Danny Young of Sumter. The win propelled the team over then leader Team Catchall and assured their 2nd TOTY title in three years of competition.

Finishing second was Team Jonboy, consisting of the husband/wife team of Harold and Debbie Alewine of Rock Hill, with 19 lbs., 4 ozs.

In 3rd place was Team Nobody, made up of Billy Durant and James Cassell, both of Chapin and Weston Thomas of Lexington. The team weighed in 17 lbs., 5 ozs.

The Nichols Store of Rock Hill Big Fish was caught by Team 50%, captained by Van Cook of Chapin, with an 8 lb., 6 oz. striped bass. The event's Smallest Legal Creel was caught by Team 2 Guys and a Gizzard, consisting of Cam Littlejohn of Columbia and Woody Barnes of Lexington.



President's Corner . . .

CONGRATULATIONS to TEAM WILDMAN (Capt. Donnie Christopher, Justin Christopher, Danny Young, and Skip Morgan) MSC's 2009 Team of the Year! A hard fought and well deserved championship! Your combination of skills, experience make for a formidable opponent!!!

December's double-points tournament will determine our Angler of the Year. Double points are sure to make it our most exciting individual tournament of the year. With the lower weights brought to the scales so far this year, the AOTY race is up for grabs. If my math is right, there's only a little over 3 pounds separating 1st and 2nd; 10 pounds separating 1st from 5th, and only 16 pounds separating 1st from 10th! All the top five are legitimate AOTY contenders, and a single big fish could even mean a winner comes from far back in the field. So I hope everyone will get out there and compete, enjoy the fellowship, and see who can win!

November's meeting featured

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Congratulations Team Wildman! 2009 MSC Team of the Year! L to R: Danny Young, Skip Morgan, Justin Christopher and Team Captain Donnie Christopher.

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a GREAT program by professional guide and MSC member Captain Buddy Bouknight; a very informative and professionally presented program. Buddy covered it all from A to Z, and concluded with a reminder to all of us, to "appreciate what you have while you have it" and enjoy every day we get the opportunity to fish. Many thanks Buddy for the fishing lesson and the life lesson!

Please attend our December meeting. Besides electing 2010 officers. we'll have our annual "state of the lake" program by DNR. With the continuing copepod infestation, the numbers of small fish we have caught, and the lack of quality fish brought to our tournament scales this year, you'll want to hear what DNR thinks about the health of our home lake. An informative and important meeting....don't miss it!

Plan now for our annual AOTY/TOTY Banquet at Saluda Shoals Park January 9th. Make your reservation early for this great event!

Thanks for allowing me to serve as president this year and for all the help and advice you've provided. Many thanks to all the volunteers, officers, and PAC members who have supported this club and helped it grow and prosper.

*Harold "Jon Boy" Alewine,
2009 MSC President*

NEXT MEETING...

**Tuesday, December 8, 2009
The Flight Deck
109A Old Chapin Rd
Lexington SC - 7:00 P.M.**

Come at 6 p.m. if you plan to eat. See website for a map and more information.

Program:

SCDNR presents it's latest annual "State of the Lake" address on the current status of the Lake Murray Striped Bass fishery...plus MSC 2010 Club Officer Elections!

Don't Miss This!

**COMING UP JANUARY 9...
MSC AOTY/TOTY BANQUET!**

Saluda Shoals Park River Center, 5605 Bush River Rd. Social hour is at 6 p.m. and the meal will be served at 7 p.m.

A BBQ and fried chicken dinner will be served, plus hot dogs for the kids. Cost is only \$12 for adults and \$6 for kids 3-12. Kids under 3 eat free! Price includes gratuity, cleanup and rental fees.

Please confirm your attendance at December meeting so we can get a head count!

2010 Officer & PAC Nominations

Officer Nominations

- President - Cam Littlejohn
- Vice-Pres. - Kreg Frady
- Secretary - OPEN
- Treasurer - James Cassell
- Co-T. Dir - Woody Barnes
- Co-T. D. - Richy Brensinger
- Parliamentarian - Mike Johnson

2010 PAC Committee Nominations

Jerry Broughton, Reed Bull, Donnie Christopher, Bill Dillard
Charles Fortner, Jim Gibbs, Tom Gitto, Rick Kellemeier

2009 Officers

- President - Harold Alewine 366-3335
- Vice-Pres. - Kreg Frady 532-4594
- Secretary - Cam Littlejohn 781-7727
- Treasurer - James Cassell 345-9010
- Co-T. Dir - Woody Barnes 957-9995
- Co-T. D. - Richy Brensinger 726-9000
- Parliament. - Mike Johnson 356-8140

Door Prizes: Donnie Christopher
Newsletter Editor/Webmaster: Jim Goller
Statistician: James Lindler

2009 PAC Committee...

Tom Gitto, Chairman
Debbie Alewine, Jerry Broughton,
Reed Bull, Donnie Christopher
Charles Fortner, Jim Gibbs, Rick Kellemeier

2009 Tournament Schedule

Date	Place	Time	Other
Jan. 17	Acapulco	Safe Light - 3 pm	<i>Individual</i>
Feb. 21	Acapulco	Safe Light - 3 pm	<i>Team Boat Tournament</i>
Mar. 21	Spinners	Safe Light - 3 pm	<i>Team Boat Tournament</i>
Apr. 18	Jakes	Safe Light - 3 pm	<i>Individual Tournament</i>
April 25	Jakes	7 am - 12 noon	<i>Youth Angler Tournament</i>
May 16	Jakes	Safe Light - 3 pm	<i>Individual Tournament</i>
June 20	Jakes	Safe Light - 3 pm	<i>Team Boat Tournament</i>
June 27	Jakes	Safe Light - 3 pm	<i>Ride Along Day (No Points)</i>
July 17/18	Jakes	6:30 pm - 10 am	MSC Hydro Glow All-Night DNR Benefit CANCELLED!
Jul. 18	Clarks Hill	6:30 am - 2 pm	<i>Team Boat Tournament</i>
Aug. 15	Clarks Hill	6:30 am - 2 pm	<i>Team Boat Tournament</i>
Sep. 19	Jakes	Safe Light - 3 pm	<i>Team Boat Tournament</i>
Sep. 26	Jakes	7 am - 12 noon	<i>Lady Angler Tournament</i>
Oct. 17	Spinners	Safe Light - 3 pm	<i>Individual Tournament</i>
Nov. 21	Spinners	Safe Light - 3 pm	<i>Team Boat Tournament</i>
Dec. 19	Spinners	Safe Light - 3 pm	<i>Individual - Double Points!</i>

(Schedule is tentative, based on many factors...
...always check in advance!)

Individual Creel: 3 fish per angler

Team Creel: 4 fish per boat

Youth & Lady Angler Event Creels: 2 fish per angler.

Youth and Lady Angler Events are followed by a cookout.

Midlands Striper Club Individual DOUBLE POINTS Tournament

Saturday, December 19

Spinners Resort, Lake Murray

Safe Light - 3:00 pm

3-Fish Maximum Weigh-In Per Angler

MSC SPONSORS:

Better Bait & Tackle	Kaufman Construction
Blueback Bait	Lake World
Cow Catcher Umbrella Rigs	Ben A. Lanza, D.P.M.
Creek Bank Bait Tanks	Dr. Todd Barrett
Dannco, LLC	Nichols Store of Rock Hill
Driftmaster	South Lake Marine
Goodyear	Sportsmen's Warehouse
Hydro Glow Fish Lights	Toyota Center
Jakes Landing	Wal-Mart

2009 Angler of the Year...

1. Lee Thomas	2313 pts.
2. Rick Kellemeier	2194 pts.
3. Greg Frady	2170 pts.
4. Richy Brensinger	2010 pts.
5. James Lindler	1976 pts.
6. Jerry Broughton	1909 pts.
7. Steve Stout	1836 pts.
8. Tom Gitto	1819 pts.
9. Woody Barnes	1798 pts.
10. Joey Smoak	1785 pts.
11. Danny Young	1750 pts.
12. Donnie Christopher	1745 pts.
13. Gary Heichelbech	1723 pts.
14. Joby Wetzel	1700 pts.
15. Billy DuRant	1681 pts.

Nichols Store of Rock Hill Big Fish:

Cam Littlejohn 17 lbs., 12 ozs.,
caught February 21, 2009.

2009 Team of the Year...

1. Team Wildman TOTY!	1414 pts
2. Team Catchall	1382 pts
3. Team Landlocked	796 pts
4. Team 50%	787 pts
5. Team Two Guys & Gizzard	784 pts
6. Team Cow Catcher	711 pts
7. Team Jon Boy	661 pts
8. Team Striper Hyper	524 pts
9. Team Po Boys	512 pts
10. Team Stryper Swiper	455 pts
11. Team WW	440 pts
12. Team Let 'Em Live	438 pts
13. Team Nobody	411 pts
14. Team Fogbone	407 pts
15. Team Hammer Head	391 pts
16. Team Red Fin	366 pts
17. Team Catch 22	343 pts
18. Team Talking Trash	339 pts
19. Team Sea Sea Rider	320 pts
20. Team Buckwell	248 pts
21. Team Cut Bait & Wait	228 pts.
22. Team Nobody	134 pts
23. Team Midlands Fish Heads	127 pts
24. Team Blueback Bait	82 pts



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