

Midlands Striper Club NEWS

Celebrating 30 years! 1979-2009

The Newsletter of Midlands Striper Club, Lake Murray, SC

JUNE 2009



MSC May Individual Angler Big Fish Winners: (l to r) Make Maholtz of Irmo, Small Creel winner, Kreg Frady of Leesville, 3rd Place, Rick Kellemeier of Chapin, 2nd Place, with his 7 lb. 0 oz. Nichols Store of Rock Hill Big Fish and 1st Place winner Lee Thomas of Leesville.

LEE THOMAS BACK IN WINNERS' CIRCLE IN MAY! RICK KELLEMEYER TAKES NICHOLS STORE BIG FISH!

On a day that saw lots of fish, but few keepers, 5-time veteran multiple Angler of the Year Lee Thomas was back in the winners' circle with his 1st Place catch of 17 pounds, 1 ounce.

Only one pound back was Rick Kellemeier of Chapin, with 16 pounds, 1 ounce, placing him second. Rick's 7 pound striper also earned him the Nichols Store of Rock Hill Big Fish award.

3rd place went to Kreg Frady, Lee Thomas's fishing partner also from Leesville. Kreg weighed in 14 pounds, 14 ounces. The event's Small Creel award went to Mike Maholtz of Irmo.

46 anglers participated in the event, with 22 of those weighing 38 keepers. (Below: A budding young angler estimating size.)



President's Corner . . .

Congratulations to Lee Thomas, Rick Kellemeier, and Kreg Frady for their top finishes in May. For the first time since I've been a member, we had a competition May tournament rather than just a youth event.

Those of you unable to attend the May meeting missed a fine program by Warren Turner, president of the SBCC and one of the leading authorities on striped bass fishing. There's plenty of exciting activities going on in MSC!

Our tournament on June 20th is a team event, and our ride-along tournament is coming up June 27th. There is already a thread on the club message board to sign up, with several captains having already volunteered. A number of "mates" are on board also. Woody and Richy, our tournament directors, are also entertaining new ideas about fishing different lakes, measuring and photographing keepers, and having a "best lesson learned" contest. Get your ideas

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MSC Youth Angler Tournament Winners: (foreground) 1st & Big Fish Winner Thomas Jae Higgins; (background) (l to r): Haley Monts, Jacob Corley and Jake Maholtz.

MSC Annual Youth Tournament April 25, 2009

RESULTS:

1st: Thomas Jae Higgins-- 20-4, plus big fish, 16-3 fishing with Team Wildman

2nd: Haley Monts, 12-2, fishing with Team Nobody

3rd: Jacob Corley, 8-12, fishing with his dad of Team Hammerheads

Mr. Ed Fat Cat: Jake Maholtz, 6-0

Jim Goller Lake Murray Billfish: Jacob Corely, 38 inches

Around 40 youth participated with 14 bringing fish to the scales. The kids had a great time, as evidenced by the group photo! Thumbs up also to Jim & Elizabeth Gibbs for organizing such a great event, and to volunteers Carl and Kathy Thompson. Thanks also to our TDs Woody & Richy!

President's Corner continued. . .

in quick so that we can finalize our format for the ride-along tourney! It should be another great opportunity to learn more about striper fishing and about MSC.

For our June meeting, long-time MSC Sponsor Darrell Keith, President and owner of Hydro Glow Fish Lights, will demonstrate his newest line of LED lighting products and the upcoming MSC-Hydro Glow tournament. With the Hydro Glow DNR Benefit fast approaching (July 17-18), you don't want to miss this program! Also, we need every member to obtain exact creel weight sponsors and major sponsors for this tournament. You can help promote this event by placing tournament posters (available on-line or at the June Meeting) at businesses in your community. The member obtaining the most sponsorship dollars will win a 30 gallon Creek Bank bait tank, and 2nd place a 400B Calcutta/Ugly Stik Lite combo! This is our big fundraiser to support the fishery and DNR, and our opportunity to shine as one of the premier striper clubs in the south, so let's get busy and make it a big event!

See you all at The Flight Deck on June 9th!!

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

2009 Officers

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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 | TBA | 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 | <i>MSC All-Night DNR Benefit Open Boat Tournament</i> |
| Cancelled!!! | | | |
| Aug. 15 | Clarks Hill | TBA | <i>Team Boat Tournament</i> |
| Sep. 19 | Jakes | Safe Light - 3 pm | <i>Individual Tournament</i> |
| Sep. 26 | Jakes | 7 am - 12 noon | <i>Lady Angler Tournament</i> |
| Oct. 17 | TBA | Safe Light - 3 pm | <i>Individual Tournament</i> |
| Nov. 21 | TBA | Safe Light - 3 pm | <i>Team Boat Tournament</i> |
| Dec. 19 | TBA | 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, Lady Angler and August Events are followed by a cookout

Midlands Striper Club Team Boat Tournament

Saturday, June 20,

Jakes Landing, Lake Murray

Safe Light - 3:00 pm

4-Fish Maximum Weigh-In Per Boat

MSC SPONSORS:

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|---------------------------|----------------------------|
| 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...

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|------------------------|-----------------|
| 1. Lee Thomas | 1235 pts. |
| 2. Greg Frady | 1191 pts. |
| 3. Townsend Wessinger | 1179 pts. |
| 4. Jerry Broughton | 1109 pts. |
| 5. Richy Brensinger | 1102 pts. |
| 6. Dean Preston | 1097 pts. |
| 7. Rick Kellemeier | 1068 pts. |
| 8. Steve Stout | 936 pts. |
| 9. Tom Gitto | 919 pts. |
| 10. Debbie Alewine | 905 pts. |
| 11. Donnie Christopher | 895 pts. |
| 12. Gary Heichelbeck | 873 pts. |
| 13. Danny Young | 864 pts. |
| 14. Cam Littlejohn | 855 pts. |
| 15. Joby Wetzel | 850 pts. |

Nichols Store Big Fish:

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

2009 Team of the Year...

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|--------------------------|----------|
| 1. Team Po Boys | 430 pts. |
| 2. Team Wildman | 421 pts. |
| 3. Team Hammer Head | 391 pts. |
| 4. Team Jon Boy | 353 pts. |
| 5. Team Catch 22 | 343 pts. |
| 6. Team Talking Trash | 339 pts. |
| 7. Team Catchall | 318 pts. |
| 8. Team 2 Guys & Gizzard | 284 pts. |
| 9. Team Fogbone | 243 pts. |
| 10. Team Landlocked | 239 pts. |
| 11. Team Stryper Swiper | 227 pts. |
| 12. Team 50% | 185 pts. |
| 13. Team Red Fin | 161 pts. |
| 14. Team Let 'Em Live | 152 pts. |
| 15. Team Reely Hung | 144 pts. |

NEXT MEETING...

Tuesday, June 9, 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:

Darrell Keith, President &
Owner of Hydro Glow with his
latest L.E.D. lighting products
to light up the night!

Don't Miss This!

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MSC-HydroGlow DNR Benefit Open

An all-night event!

Jakes Landing - Lake Murray S.C. - July 17-18, 2009

\$5000 Total Purse - \$2,000 1st Place

GUARANTEED!

First Place and Big Fish will receive an additional \$250 each from **Hydro Glow** if a **Hydro Glow** light is on board!

Entry Fee: \$100 on or before Friday, July 10 or \$120 through the evening of the event.

**\$50 optional Big Fish Pot with 100% guaranteed payback...
75% to 1st Place Big Fish & 25% to 2nd Place Big Fish!**

BONUS exact creel weight prizes

PLUS Lady & Youth Angler and other special awards!



**Top 15 Places
Will Be Paid!**



Tournament hours: Friday, July 17, 6:30 p.m. - Saturday, July 18, 10:00 a.m.

Weigh-in Saturday, July 18 at 10:00 a.m.

4 fish maximum weigh-in per boat.

For more information contact:

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Registration forms available online at www.MidlandsStriperClub.org

Registration Friday, July 17 from 4 p.m. until 7:30 p.m., Jakes Landing

Captain's Meeting Friday, July 17, 5:00 p.m. - Lines in at 6:30 p.m.