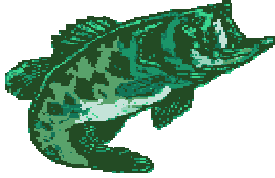


# Metro Reservoir Anglers, Inc.

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Randy Hill – Treasurer  
David Kirk - Secretary  
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## NEWSLETTER



March 18, 2007 Newsletter #2

Compiled by David G. Kirk

Hello Metro Club Members,

The Club Board Members held their “first” meeting on March 10<sup>th</sup> to discuss many issues and concerns, and to get a plan of action for making the 2007 season a success.

The first issue was our financial statement and where we are \$\$\$wise as a club. Jerry O'Brien will be working with Rob Bertazon to have the Bank Accounts changed so that our new President and Treasurer will have access to this account and prior financial records.

A club roster is being put together with the names of all the teams. This year with new applications being submitted we should have a 40 team roster. With the City and County rules being the way they are... the board members have decided to create a waiting list of potential new members above this 40 team roster for **this** year. Next year we will look into the possibility of carrying more than 40 teams.

The Board has decided to change the “Weigh In” procedure by adding a “Weigh In Wave”. This Wave will be the first to be called up to the scales at each tournament. The wave gives teams who are working the “weigh ins” the “opportunity” to weigh their fish first. However if they decide to pass they must weigh in their fish during their correct wave. Weigh in teams will no longer wait to weigh their fish last. When the “last wave” has been called and the last boat has weighed in....

**The “weigh in” will be over.**

We also saw a need for this newsletter as a part of the plan to keep all our members informed of what is going on in our club, and to have a document header with the club's name to seek potential sponsorships from the corporate world. Jerry Obrien and Gary Lippa will be searching the “world” to find more sponsorship for our club. If you as a member know of any potential sponsorship or would

like to sponsor club events... trophies, tournaments, refreshments, etc... Please contact Jerry O or Gary L.

We also discussed the condition of our equipment (the trailer, weigh scale, etc..) and saw a need to install some shelving, place our "right of entries" for our tournaments on a laminate inside the trailer, put new Club decals on the outside, and possibly put sponsor names on the trailer. Larry Bertholdt and Randy Hill will be working to upgrade the trailer. Jerry Obrien will look into having the scale re-calibrated, fixing the power cord, and plans for a back up scale.

Another item we discussed is the club website. Craig Gordon is our website master. I (David Kirk) have volunteered to provide information, take pictures at weigh in and write fishing /tournament stories and updates. Matt Elliot has also volunteered to help as he has an extensive computer / website background. Anyone else who wishes to provide photos or help out please contact me. [Hellbendernut@yahoo.com](mailto:Hellbendernut@yahoo.com) or 717-630-9220.

The board has decided to look into offering all members, the opportunity to purchase "Embroidered Shirts and Hats" with the Metro Reservoir Anglers logo. If you are interested in buying these items please see/contact David Kirk. (Jackets will not be offered as we intend to stick with tradition and keep jackets as an Award for winning the "Tournament of Champions"

**The last item the board members would like you to "vote on" is the possibility of a rule change. This item was discussed at the Annual Club Meeting on Feb 25<sup>th</sup>.** The thought behind the change is...it would allow all tournaments to be started promptly and everyone would be "present" for any announcements that need to be made in morning. also we would not be waiting on "One" boat, which was probably at the end of the field anyway. Remember, even if the rule is changed, all tournament starting times would still be 7:00am, (unless safe light allowed for an earlier start).

**Rule # 9 as it currently states:**

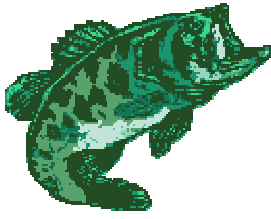
All boats must be present at the launch area and prepared to launch by 6:00am. Late boats forfeit their drawn starting position and "Blast Off" last. Any boat not at the designated "Blast Off" site prior to **7:00am** is disqualified

**The change would be:**

All boats must be present at the launch area and prepared to launch by 6:00am. Late boats forfeit their drawn starting position and "Blast Off" last. Any boat not at the designated "Blast Off" site prior to **6:30am** is disqualified

**\*\*\*\*\*BY MAY 1<sup>ST</sup> 2007**

**Please indicate your "vote" on the next page and return to Jerry O'Brien 8115 Clyde Bank Rd Baltimore Md 21234. Or [jobrienmra@hotmail.com](mailto:jobrienmra@hotmail.com)**



## 2007 Metro Vote



Vote to keep rule #9 “As it currently states” (7:00am)

Vote to change rule # 9 to (6:30am)

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\*Also we would like your “**input**” of **2 items** on next years 2008 TOC – (Tournament of Champions).

**Select one:**

TOC 2 days –Same weekend (Saturday and Sunday)

TOC 2 days – Back to back weekends -1 day each (both Sunday).

**Select one:**

TOC 2 days – SAME LAKE both Days .

TOC 2 days - DIFFERENT LAKE - Each Day

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**INPUT – Check here if interested**

**- I would be interested in purchasing a Metro embroidered shirt and/or Hats.**