

**Connecticut B.A.S.S. Federation Nation
Meeting Minutes
August 23, 2007**

The regular monthly meeting of the Connecticut B.A.S.S. Federation Nation was called to order August 23 2007, at 7:36 p.m. by the President.

Roll Call: The following clubs were absent: Bass Blazers, Candlewood B/M, CT Yankee B/M, CT Outdoors, Litchfield County B/M, Tobacco Valley Bass Anglers, Wallingford B/M.

Excused Absences from the previous month: None.

The minutes of previous month's minutes where accepted as posted.

Correspondence

Bob received the certificates from Lowrance.

Riverfront Re-Capture is giving CBFN a free booth at the "Big Mo" for the Cabelas Grand Opening on 9-20-07.

Reports of Officers

Treasurer's Report:

As of July 31, 2007 there were the following amounts in the accounts:

CBFN General Checking - \$16,545.05

CBFN Money Market Account - \$11,546.02

CBFN Scholarship Checking - \$1,329.52

CBFN Scholarship Money Market Account - \$8,594.13

Scholarship Report: Sylvia Morris

Working on forming the new committee for next year.

The **Scholarship Tournament** is scheduled for Saturday, October 27, 2007.

Conservation / Environmental Report: No Report.

Youth Committee: Terry Baksay

Connecticut B.A.S.S. Federation Nation CastingKids State Championship – Saturday, September 1, 2007

Location Stephen Auto Mall Centre **Time:** 1:00 – 2:00pm
1069 Farmington Ave. Rt. 6
Bristol, Ct. 06010
(800)540-4886

All winners from Casting Kids Contests conducted in Ct. during 2007 will be invited.

The top winner from each age group will represent the state of Connecticut at the B.A.S.S. National Semifinals which will be held in November of 2007 at a place to be determined. (Has not been announced by B.A.S.S.)

Tournament Committee: Alan D. Guite
Tournament Report – 8/23/07

On August 4, 2007 we held the Bryan V. Kerchal Tournament of Club Champions on Lake Lillinonah. Jim Morris was this year's tournament champion and has qualified as a boater on the 2008 State Team. Congratulations Jim!

We held our fourth and final tournament of the 2007 regular season on Candlewood Lake, Sunday August 12, 2007. From the angler division, Daryl Biron was crowned angler of the year and has qualified as a boater on the 2008 state team. Chris Simons finished in the second place spot in the standings and has qualified to be a non-boater on the 2008 state team. And from the co-angler division Dave Trajanowski has been crowned angler of the year with Mark Raymond finishing second in the standings. The tournament committee would like to congratulate Daryl, Chris, Dave and Mark on a job well done.

State Championship Update – All applications must be post marked by September 14, 2007. Copies of your boat insurance and Connecticut Boaters Certificate must be mailed in with the application. This applies to everyone including those who participated in the 2007 tournament trail. Once we determine the number of participants we will develop an agenda. We are going to research the pairings and flight assignments and attempt to develop a new system to make it as fair as possible. If there is more than one flight, which will be determined by the number of participants, as your tournament director I will need to be in flight 1 each day. I am going to assign myself the last boat in the first flight.

Classic Update – The 2007 CBFN Classic will be held at Candlewood Lake, Squantz Cove on Saturday, October 13, 2007 from 7:00am to 3:00pm. Acknowledgement Letters and applications will be mailed out within the next two weeks to all who have qualified. Pairings will be performed by the tournament committee on the Monday prior to the tournament and will be posted on the web site. There will be a mailing deadline for the applications which has not been determined yet. I want to remind all qualifiers that this is a free tournament with a payout that is equal to or greater than the regular trail events.

Revision:

Proposed dates for the 2008 CBFN Tournament Trail are as follows:

Tournament 1 – Sunday, May 18, 2008
Tournament 2 – Sunday, June 15, 2008
Tournament 3 – Sunday, July 20, 2008
Tournament 4 – Sunday, August 17, 2008

Bryan V. Kerchal Tournament of Club Champions (Mr. Bass) – Saturday, August 2, 2008

***C.B.F.N. Two Day State Championship – Saturday & Sunday, September 27 & 28, 2008**

C.B.F.N. Classic – Saturday, October 4, 2008

* - Date change for the State Championship due to conflict with Eastern Divisional tournament

Fishing Advisory Report: David Santos
None

Boating Advisory Report: None

State Team Report: Paul Carter

Northeastern Regionals will be held in Hartford on 9/16 – 9/21.

Raffle Report:

Total Sales Report will be available at the September Meeting. The Raffle date is September 25, 2007.

Financial Committee: Ray Bessette

No Report

Audit Committee: Lewis Schaller

No Report.

Banquet Committee: Sylvia Morris

November 3, 2007 at the Whiting House in Plainville, CT. Flyers will be available at the September Meeting.

Membership Committee:

None

Sponsors Committee: Ed Weeks

None

All Reports approved as given.

Old Business

None.

New Business

Election for Tournament Director; Alan Guite was re-elected for 2007.

A motion was made to donate \$500.00 to each of the three clubs attending the Bass Club World Championship – (6 man team). Milford Black Bass, Candlewood Bassmasters and CT Outdoors. This motion was adopted.

Chapter Award recommendations are due by the next meeting. They should be mailed to Bob. The form will be available on line under the forms/downloads sections.

Retainer checks for the two-day should be mailed to Sue prior to the pairings meeting. Address is available on the webpage under officers/clubs as well as on the application itself.

Bob is negotiating the Skeeter contract. Motion was made for Bob to use his discretion for the new contract. Motion was adopted.

Announcements

CBFN Scholarship Tournament – October 27, 2007

Next Meeting: September 27, 2007

Meeting was adjourned at 8:27 pm

Jack Vinyard
Jamie Vinyard
CBFN Secretary