

**Dec. 20<sup>th</sup>, 2017**

**CT B.A.S.S. Nation Meeting**

**CBN President Vinny Mucci called to order the regular meeting of the CBN at 7:06 on December 20, 2017 at Tackle Supply Depot.**

**Roll Call:**

- **CLUBS ABSENT: CT Elite Bass, Greater Hartford, Statewide Bass Anglers and Team Skeeter.**

**Announcements:**

- **The team of Mike Rezendes and John Knowles donated \$290 to the high school account.**
- **Rosters are due by the end of December for any club that has not submitted one.**
- **2018 CBN MONTHLY MEETING DATES**

**Tackle Supply Depot, 7:00 pm**

**(4th Wed of each month, Unless a Holiday Week then the 3rd Wed)**

**January-NO MEETING**

**February-Wed. 28th**

**March-Wed. 28th**

**April-Wed. 25th**

**May-Wed. 23rd**

**June Wed. 27th**

**July Wed. 25th**

**Aug Wed. 22nd**

**September Wed. 26th**

**October Wed.24th**

**November Wed. 28th**

**December Wed. 19th (3rd wed.)**

### **Correspondence:**

- **Ray and Ronnie Kerchal sent a Christmas card to the CBN wishing the membership a Merry Christmas and also included a check for \$2,000 made out to the Scholarship fund. Thank you very much Mr. and Mrs. Kerchal!**
- **Mossback fish attractors sent a Christmas card to the CBN.**
- **MOTION TO ACCEPT PREVIOUS MINUTES AS POSTED: A motion was made and passed to accept the minutes.**

### **REPORTS OF OFFICERS**

- **Treasurer Report: Marc Levesque**

#### **Conservation & FAC Report: CBN Conservation Report**

**December 20, 2017**

#### **CBN Conservation objectives for the 2017**

- **Conservation Projects for Candlewood Lake (Boat Launch & Habitat)**
- **Youth/School based Conservation/C.A.R.E. Program (Fishing Equip for rent)**
- **Create a C.A.R.E. Bass Class**
- **Create an on the Water Bass Course (like Golf Course)**

#### **Information from this past Month –**

- **CT Conservation Advisory Council (CCAC) Meeting**
  - **Discussed New Regulations Package**
  - **Discussed Trout / Salmon Stamp**
- **Fisheries Advisory Council**
  - **Junior Members (High School) to Join FAC**
  - **Fishing Trail via member clubs**
  - **Creating a Communications Committee**
- **SCORP**
  - **Final Report is completed and presented – Will have a link to the 259 Page document.**
- **DEEP Items**

- Meeting with Cabela's about helping with ice fishing
- Discussed upcoming Classic with Peter and he agrees with getting Ed Machowski to go
- Creation of on the water fishing course
- Discussion on growing license sales
- **NRD Grant**
  - Working on year end report.

**Respectfully Submitted,**

**Dean Rustic**

**Conservation Director**

- **CLA Report: NONE.**

- **TOURNAMENT REPORT**

**Tournament Rules for 2018 are being worked on, will finalize according to the By Law vote in Dec.**

**Here is the CBN Trail, NEOT, Opens for 2018:**

**April 21st- Reynolds Candy Open-Danbury 75 Boats**

**April 22nd-HOC Open-Squantz 50 Boats**

**April 28th-26 Angels-Squantz 50 Boats**

**April 29th-BVK Open-Danbury 75 Boats**

**May 6th- CBN T #1 Candy Squantz & Latins 75 Boats**

**June 10th-CBN T #2 River Haddam & Salmon 65 Boats**

**July 8th T#3 Candy Squantz & Latins 75 Boats**

**Aug 5th Classic Zoar State Ramp 25 Boats**

**Aug 26th Mr. Bass TBD 20 Boats**

**Sept 8 & 9 Two-day, Candy, Squantz 50 boats**

**Oct 7th Scholarship Tournament, Candy Squantz 40 boats**

**NEOT (North East Open Trail, 6 fish limit all opens)**

**May 20th, 2018 Candy**

**June 24th 2018 Lilly**

**July 22nd 2018 CTR**

**Aug 18th, 2018 CHAMPLAIN (Could Change to the following weekend  
will not know until January)**

**Sept 23rd 2018 Candy**

**Oct 21st, 2018 Zoar**

### **TACKLE SUPPLY DEPOT TEAM TRAIL PROPOSED DATES**

#### **Western Division:**

**4/15/2018 - Candlewood Lake...**

**5/5/2018 - Lake Lillinonah**

**6/3/2018 - CT River**

**7/14/2018 - CT River**

**9/15/2018 - Candlewood Lake**

#### **Eastern Division:**

**4/28/2018 - Pachaug Pond**

**5/19/2018 - Beach Pond**

**6/9/2018 - Quaddick Reservoir or Mansfield**

**7/7/2018 - CT River**

**8/11/2018 - Aspinook Pond**

**9/15/2018 - Gardner Lake**

**10/6/2018 - CT River**

#### **Opens:**

**5/20/2018 - Highland Lake**

**8/19/2018 - CT River**

### **REYNOLDS TRAIL PROPOSED DATES**

**4/21/18 Candlewood Open**

**5/12/18 Winnie**

**6/9/18 River**

**7/21/18 Plattsburgh**

**8/25/18 Ticonderoga**

**9/15/18 Sebago**

**10/5/18 TOC TBD**

- **CBN Sponsorship Report: NONE**
- **CBN Scholarship-NONE**
- **CBN Scholarship- Robert S Malloy: NONE**
- **Banquet Report: Nov. 11<sup>th</sup>, 2018**
- **Membership Committee: No report**
- **Website: No Report**
- **Audit Committee: No Report**
- **Finance: No Report**
- **Youth/High School: John reported that six more High Schools would like to get involved with the High School program. This is going to create access issues as far as getting the permits from the DEEP for the required number of boats for the tournaments as well as getting enough boat captains. Different options are being looked into.**

**State Team Administrator:**

- **2018 State Team Meeting Dec 3<sup>rd</sup> 2017**

**Two Members missed: Harry Gordon & Rob Panico**

**All paid their Entry Fees for the 2018 Eastern Regionals, Sylvia will send in to B.A.S.S. along with the list of 2018 State Teams Anglers & Alternates and all their info.**

**Some Paperwork was turned in by most, Ins and Fishing Licenses will be turned by the April Hartford Hunting & Fishing Show.**

**List of 2018 HS Tournaments was passed out and all picked one to Boat Captain/work for 2018.**

**W9s were filled out and turned in. All will go to B.A.S.S. along with Entry Fees.**

**Set Next meeting date for Feb 25<sup>th</sup>, 1:00pm my house. Will go over Rules, collect all paperwork and the Sponsorship monies.**

**Passed out Jersey Sponsorship Letter. So Far, we have one for \$500.00, KD Foundation and another for \$1000.00, Key Hyundai of Milford. Deadline is Feb**

**Talked about the Housing and fitting all in with air mattresses. Need six, 5 people volunteered to bring them and sleep on them. Will also have to sleep two on couches and 4 twins.**

**Will have rooming list in April.**

**April meeting will be the NEHF Show, each member has to do a 4 hour shift and I will do one on one meetings then.**

**May and June Meetings will be after CBN T#1 and T#2.**

**Told to watch all e-mails as I will be using this to correspond with 22 people.**

**All filled out the Divisional on-line Entry forms and Submitted.**

**All Sponsor offers will begin In January 2018. Discussed that anything purchased MUST be on your Boat for a year and especially at the Regional. CAN NOT PURCHASE IF YOU DO NOT HAVE A BOAT! Cannot purchase for anyone but yourself!!!! No reselling!! Cannot purchase Lowrance units and then Hummingbird also!**

**Went over the Contract for 2018 State Team piece by piece, had questions and answers and then all signed and agreed to the Contract. Sponsorship monies collected so far: Paul Mayo-Toyota, Jim Morris, Toyota, Mike Billings, Billing Sports and Ryan Pereiras, Key Hyundai of Milford.**

**Respectfully Submitted by:  
Sylvia Morris, State Team Administrator**

- **MOTION TO ACCEPT REPORTS AS GIVEN, SECOND, ALL IN FAVOR**

**Old Business**

**Excused Absences: The following clubs requested and had acceptable reason as voted on by the board of directors to be excused from a missed meeting the previous month.**

**Candlewood Bassmasters**

**Connecticut Black Bass**

**Naugatuck Valley Bassmasters**

**Bylaw Proposals: The bylaw proposal was voted on by written ballot and passed with eleven YES votes and four NO votes.**

**Officers:**

- **Treasurer Running unopposed: Marc Levesque**
- **Membership Director: Dave Miller**
- **Secretary: Still need a Secretary. Please Contact Vinny Mucci 203-525-4105 if interested.**
- **STILL NEED A TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR!!! Please Contact Vinny Mucci 203-525-4105 if interested.**

**ANY MORE OLD BUSINESS?**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Audit Committee: Kevin Jarcy volunteered. We need two more members to join him!**

**ANY MORE NEW BUSINESS???**

**Motion to Adjourn, second, all in favor. Adjourned at 7:47pm**

**NEXT MEETING: February 28<sup>th</sup> 2018, 7:00 p.m.  
No January meeting!**