# June 26<sup>th</sup>, 2019 CT B.A.S.S. Nation Meeting

#### 7:04 Roll Call

- CLUBS ABSENT: None
- <u>Correspondence</u>: Joe Kowalski sent a letter thanking the CBN for their generous donation to the Steven Roy Andrews Foundation.
- Announcements: Rich Newman former owner of Newtown Bait & Tackle has passed away. The CBN will be represented at the memorial and will be bringing desserts.
- MOTION TO ACCEPT PREVIOUS MINUTES AS Read & POSTED

### **REPORTS OF OFFICERS**

- Treasurer Report: Marc Levesque
   Marc let us know that the 2018 Taxes have been completed and that the Scholarship Checks have gone out to all the Winners.
- Conservation & FAC Report: Dean Rustic-

June 26, 2019

**CBN** Conservation objectives for the 2019

- 1. Conservation Projects for Candlewood Lake (Boat Launch & Habitat) 2. Create a C.A.R.E. Bass Class 3. Create an on the Water Bass Course (like Golf Course)
  Information from this past Month –
- 1. CT Conservation Advisory Council (CCAC) Meeting
- a. Discussion on Squantz Cove Boat Launch i. RFP was Awarded and Engineering Firm to design b. Discussion with Rick Jacobs (Bill Hyatt's replacement) about designing programs for the bass fishing community. i. Example was the Share Lunker program or to provide fingerling bass to the CBN to release at a CT River tournament. 2. Fisheries Advisory Council
- a. Was unable to attend as I was out of the state on business. Will provide details from Secretaries report next month. 3. DEEP Items
- a. Contacted Michael Lambert Bureau Chief of Outdoor Recreation i. Asked if we, CBN could meet with the Engineering

Firm about designs for Squants Cove boat Launch facilities. ii. Michael stated that there will be public comment on the design iii. We will need to have a unified message that we will need most everyone should know as what we are asking for in the design. iv. We will need members to attend the public hearings v. We will need CBN members, CBN youth, CBN High School, CBN Parents and Veterans from Gaylord to write/e-mail for the hearing with our design needs. 4. Submitted AFTCO Grant proposal on behalf of Clement Kamoen, CBN & CT DEEP a. Grant was for Fish Structures to be placed on the CT DEEP CARE Pond.

Respectfully Submitted, Dean Rustic Conservation Director

### • CLA REPORT:

State of the Lake meeting will be held Sat. July 13<sup>th</sup>, 2019 9:30 to 11:30amT the New Fairfield Company A Fire House 302 Ball Pond Rd. New Fairfield.

# • TOURNAMENT REPORT- Vinny Mucci

Tournament #2 was held on the Ct River. The winners were, Boater-Abe Kalechman. Non-Boater-Devin Hines.

Next Tournament is July 14<sup>th</sup>, Candlewood, Squantz, 8 to 3. Mailing deadline is June 29<sup>th</sup>. If you mail it after that you will add a 25.00 late fee up to July 3<sup>rd</sup>.

The CBN 2019 Classic will be held on July 28<sup>th</sup>, Ct River, Haddam, 7 to 3. Due to CBN T#3 being held on July 14<sup>th</sup>, too close to the Classic Date, Vinny has extended the mailing deadline for the Classic qualifiers applications to Wed July 18<sup>th</sup>. We have passed out the Invite Letter and Application to each Rep tonight to take back to their clubs. We will also e-mail all Presidents the Letter and App and we will have them available at the July 14<sup>th</sup> tournament. The App and invite will be on ctbass.com also. We will have the results ASAP after the July 14<sup>th</sup> Tournament and will let all know who qualified ASAP!

### CBN Proposed Trail 2020

May 5<sup>th</sup>, - CBN T #1 Candlewood, Squantz & Latins 75 Boats 8 to 3 June9th, -CBN T #2 River Haddam & Salmon 65 Boats, 7 to 3

July 14<sup>th</sup>, CBN T#3 Candy Squantz & Latins 75 Boats, 8 to 3 August 2<sup>nd</sup>, Classic TBD 30 Boats Aug 23<sup>rd</sup>, Mr Bass TBD 16 Boats Oct 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup>, Two-day, Candy, Squantz 50 boats 7 to 3

### • CBN Sponsorship Report:

- Alliance monies have not been received yet for 2018 we matched with 28 Leads and have earned \$5000.00 again! Working on 2019, we have 13 Leads so far, \$3000.00 Awesome! Thank you Thayers Marine!!!!!! They are working on getting the monies out.
- A new Sponsor Has come on Board with the CBN, Interstate Battery of Killingsworth. They are giving us a Certificate for Product for the 2019 Banquet Raffle.
- MR B'S Jerky, please visit his store at 35 N Main St, Southington, CT
- TSD is a sponsor, use your 10% off cards given to you!
- Tec Baits and Tec Weights and Jbirds Jigs are new sponsors
- Raymarine has come on board as a 2019 State Team Sponsor
- Power Pole is back for 2019, for info see Vinny Mucci
- Toyota Bonus Bucks Program is back for 2019 also.
- Danbury Super 8 has come back as a Sponsor for 2019They are
  offering a Fisherman's Rate of \$69.00 a night, you must ask for this
  and let them know that you have a boat. They have ample parking and
  power! Super 8 Hotel 3 Lake Ave Ext, Danbury, CT 06811 ASK FOR
  CAROLYNN OR ANNA & FISHERMAN RATE, \$69.00
- CBN Scholarship- Robert S Malloy: Marc Levesque will be the CBN Contact person for this.

Jason Vokun will be conducting the interviews to choose the winner of our Robert S Malloy Annual UCONN Scholarship.

- CBN Scholarship- Chairperson, Mike Billings Report
   The New Scholarship app will be posted on ctbass.com for our second Scholarship judging this year as we missed last year so we doing another! Mailing deadline is Sept 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019. Each club president will be e-mailed the Application to share with the members also. Judging will take place in Oct.
- Banquet Report: Sylvia Morris

Rebooked for Nov 9<sup>th</sup>, 2019

Any idea for prizes would be appreciated!

- Membership Committee: Dave Miller, Nothing new
- Website: It is up and running, working on fine tuning things.
- Audit Committee: Joe Pisciotta, Rob Jeffrey, and Greg Tesch will meet soon in Waterbury. No Update
  - Finance: No Report
  - CBN Youth Report: John Piscioniere-:

**Youth Report:** 

2<sup>nd</sup> tournament on candlewood was a success- Thank you to everyone who captained.

Next tournament is on Zoar- July 20th- we are still in need of boats.

We have 3 teams confirmed going to national tournament- 2 high school and 1 junior.

A big thank you to TJ DeFelice for his donations to the kids' program....and Paul Narducci and Shop Rite.

Having a banner done for the Youth program.

Planning next year's trail;

Reserved May 9<sup>th</sup> 2020 for Zoar

Reserved June 6<sup>th</sup>- Candlewood- SQUANTZ (change for us)

Reserved July 18<sup>th</sup> Lake Lillinonha

Reserved Sept. 12<sup>th</sup> on Lake Housatonic

• State Team Report, Sylvia Morris

**June State Team Meeting Report** 

We held our meeting after the CBN T # 2 Ct River, excused from the meeting:

Garrett Kruger, Bob Jeffrey, Gary Belanger, Ryan Aldieri, Nick Lawrence, Al Gambardella, Alex Shvartsamn, Chris Warren. I collected the remaining paperwork that was owed. Some have not purchased their Maine Licenses yet, will give me the copies later. Chris Warren owes Ins, will update in August and he will give me it then.

Talked about me needing from all Boaters and Spare Boat, a spare key for the Truck tagged with their name, make of truck, color and Plate number in case we have to go to another ramp to get them if any boat issues.

Jerseys and hats will be passed out at the July CBN T#3.

Our Next Team Meeting will be July 14<sup>th</sup>, Candlewood, Squantz after

the weigh-in and tear down. Will have rooming info then.

# Respectfully

Sylvia Morris State Team Administrator

• MOTION TO ACCEPT REPORTS AS GIVEN, SECOND, ALL IN FAVOR

# **Old Business**

- <u>Excused Absences:</u> Tolland County, Housatonic, Bass Attack,
   Naugatuck Valley were all Excused
  - We need a Social Media Director!!!
  - Still no Tournament Director?????? We need one!!!!

    ANY MORE OLD BUSINESS?

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

- New Regions have been released for BASS NATION
   We are now the Northeastern Region consisting of Maine, Mass, VT,
   NH, RI, CT, NY, NJ, PA, MD and DEL. The furthest we will travel for a Regional now is Maine or MD.
- Mike Billings presented the possibility of purchasing new Tent Bags for the CBN Tournament Trail through EZ UP as he is now associated with them and can get a discount for us. We would need three at \$120.00 apiece. They also have railskirts for the tent (half sides) that

can be sublimated with our Logo, sponsors logos, etc. Will discuss more with e-board.

- The HS will be getting a Banner made.
- The CBN will be getting new Banners made also.

### **ANY MORE NEW BUSINESS???**

 2019 CBN Meeting Dates, Tackle Supply Depot, 4<sup>th</sup> Wed of each month, except Nov and Dec, will be third Wed because of Holidays, 7:00pm

July24th

Aug 28th

Sept 25<sup>th</sup>

Oct 23<sup>rd</sup>

Nov 20th

Dec 18th

**RAFFLE WINNERS: John Piscionere & Rome Wisniewski** 

HOTELS TO UTILIZE: Super 8 Hotel 3 Lake Ave Ext, Danbury, CT 06811 ASK FOR CAROLYNN OR ANNA & FISHERMAN RATE, \$69.00

Motion to Adjourn, second, all in favor. Adjourned at 7:57

**NEXT MEETING IS WED, July 24th, 2019**