July 28th, 2021

CT B.A.S.S. Nation Conference Call

Call began at 7:08pm

Officers on the Call were:
Vinny Mucci-President
Mike Billings-Vice President
Sylvia Morris-Secretary
Dean Rustic-Conservation Director
John Piscioniere- Youth Director

Marc Levesque was absent

Clubs Missing were: Candlewood, Sweetwater, Tolland County, & Xtreme

Minutes from Previous meeting were accepted.

- Announcements: Elite Series for 2022 has been announced. Please see B.A.S.S. Master website for details.
- <u>Correspondence</u>: Thank you card received from the Guite Family for flowers the CBN sent to the family for the passing of Alan Guite's Mother.
- REPORTS OF OFFICERS
- <u>Treasurer Report</u>: Marc Levesque was not on the call these are the figures from June, 2021. Read by Sylvia

• CBN Conservation Report: Dean Rustic

CBN Conservation Report July 28, 2021 CBN Conservation objectives for the 2021

- 1. Conservation Projects for Candlewood Lake (Boat Launch & Habitat)
- 2. Create an on the Water Bass Course (like Golf Course) Information from this past Month –
- 1. CT Conservation Advisory Council (CCAC) Meeting i. No Meeting
- 2. Fisheries Advisory Council i. No meeting

- 3. DEEP Items
- a. Sent Bassmaster articles to Fisheries Department to about Alex Wetherell
- b. Sent info about Paul Mueller and Noah Winslow
- c. Planning to have DEEP Boating Division at FAC meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dean Rustic Conservation Director

- CLA REPORT: Aquatic Invasive Species program has begun. They will be set up to inspect your vessel and hand out AIS Educational Material. Please be courteous and report back to us on how it went. They are suppose to be set up in an out of the way location as to not impede the launch process. One person has reported Zoar is doing it. Not reported at other places that we are aware of.
- The New Marine Patrol Vessel is now in service on Candlewood. A Large Gray Boat.
- <u>TOURNAMENT REPORT Vinny Mucci</u>
 MR BASS, Bryan V Kerchal Tournament of Champions, is Sunday Aug 1^{st,} 7 to 3, Lake Zoar, We have 12 Boats.

The Classic Invites(Top 25 (2 to 27) in each division) and App will be out soon. The Classic is Aug 29th, 2021, Lilly, 7 to 3.

2021 CBN Tournaments That Remain

Sun Aug 1st, CBN Mr. Bass, TBD, 7:00 to 3:00 Sun Aug 29th, CBN Classic, Lilly 7:00 to 3:00 Sat & Sun Oct 2nd & 3rd, CBN Two Day, 8:00 to 3:00, Squantz & Latins, Candlewood Lake

- CBN Sponsorship Report:
 - TH Marine has nothing this month so far.
 - AFTCO Grant Program is available to all Youth Groups, CBN & CBN Clubs Ask Vinny for details.
 - Toyota Bonus Bucks is back!

- Skeeter Real Money
- Triton Gold
- Power Pole Program Contact Vinny for info
- Accu Cull Program Contact Vinny for code
- Ranger Cup
- BASS New Elite & Opens Sponsor Marathon Petroleum
- CBN Scholarship- Mike Billings:

Working with Marc to get all the checks out to the Recipients. Missing some info from one.

Mike Billings

C.B.N. Scholarship Director & C.B.N. Vice President

• Banquet Report: Sylvia Morris

Scheduled for November 6th, 2021. WE NEED PRIZES!!!! Everything is set up just need prizes please!!

Will be sending the Sponsor Invites out first week of August and email blasting the membership Invites also.

Have secured a Free Lifetime Membership to B.A.S.S. for our Raffle so far, waiting for a reply from numerous other Sponsors. No responses so far. Chris Bielert, Shimano, will be donating rods and reels also! Thank you, Chris!

- <u>Membership Committee Chair</u>: Need a new one!!! Aprox 220 Adult Members so far this year.
- Kayak Series- Need a Director!
- Website: The CBN E-mail list has been given to the webmaster to send E-mail Blast each time he adds News, Pairings, results, etc. to the webpage. Check with your members and be sure they are receiving them. Check Spam folders too! Please send any e-mail changes or additions to Myself or Vinny!!!

CBN Youth Report: John Piscioniere-:

Good Luck to the HS Teams that are fishing the HS Nationals on Chickamauga this week!!!

Tyler Mahood & Ryan McKinney and Cooper Gilroy & Mike Iwanicki. John got all checks and Hats to all of them for the Tournament.

Next and Final Tournament for this year is

Aug 28th Sat. Candlewood

Setting up next years Trail will send soon.

John Piscioniere

• State Team Report, Sylvia Morris, State Team Administrator

The Eastern Regionals on Lake Erie, Presque Isle Bay was held. Very proud of them, worked well as a Team! They all worked hard! Our Housing was very good! Thank you to the Team for all their Hard work! A Big Thank you to Jim Morris and Vinny Mucci for all their help in the Kitchen!!! They were great at 3:00 am each morning!

Congratulations to Kevin Rose and Joe Sodora who will be moving on to the Ouachita In Louisiana Nov. 3rd 2021.

Working on next year, not sure where it will be yet!

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

Old Business

E Board Meeting was not held, Vinny will set up one soon.

- The Veterans Fall tournament will be held on Candlewood, Danbury, on Sept 21st, 2021. If interested in Boat Captain for this event contact Joe Kowalski <u>usmctinker@aol.com</u> or Al Guite <u>alanguite@comcast.net</u>
- Excused Absences: CT Yankee & Housatonic
- We need a Social Media Director!!!
- Still no Tournament Director?????? We need one!!!!

ANY MORE OLD BUSINESS?

NEW BUSINESS

 Dean Rustic asked the CBN to purchase a Table at the Rockville Fish and Game to Benefit the Friends of Ct Sportsmen Sat Aug 14^{th, 2021,} for \$400.00 (Ten People a Table). Joe Kowalski made a motion, seconded by Mike Billings and passed unanimously. Dean will purchase the Table in the CBN'S Name and get reimbursed from Marc.

Motion to adjourn 7:38pm

- 2021 CBN Meeting Dates
- 4th Wed of each month, 7:00 pm, except when a Holiday or Event then it will be the 3rd, Wed of the month.

(WILL BE E-BOARD, DIRECTORS, COMMITTEE CHAIRS & CLUB REPS CONFERENCE CALLS TILL FURTHER NOTICE)

Aug 25 Sept 22 Oct 27 Nov 17 3rd week Dec 15 3rd week

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

NEXT Conference Call IS Aug 25th, 2021