

June 25th, 2025

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

The call began at 7:05pm

Officers' Present & on the Call were:

Sylvia Morris Secretary

Dean Rustic-Conservation Director

Vinny Mucci-President

Marc Levesque-Treasurer

Kevin Jaracy-Youth Director

Missing:

Neil Talento

Lindsey Favaloro

Mike Shay-Vice President

Clubs Missing: Housatonic & Sweetwater

Minutes from prior month accepted.

Announcements: None

Correspondence: None

- **REPORTS OF OFFICERS:**
- **Treasurer Report: Marc Levesque**
- **CBN Conservation Report: Dean Rustic**

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Information from this past Month –

1. CT Conservation Advisory Council (CCAC) Meeting

a. Celebrating the passage of the Sunday Hunting on private lands bill.

b. Planning on lobbying for Bear hunt for next session

2. Fisheries Advisory Council –

a. Proposal for a Seasonal Closed Area on Wyassup Lake – Andrew Bade

a. Andrew gave a presentation on observations and data collected on Smallmouth Bass spawning

activity in Wyassup Lake. Closing specific areas to fishing from April 15 through May would help protect nests and increase spawning success. DEEP is considering beginning this seasonal closure in the spring of 2026.

b. Inland Fisheries Report – Peter Aarrestad

a. Two new state freshwater records in May – 45.5 lb common carp in Lake Lillinonah and 5.45 lb, 20-inch brown bullhead in the Connecticut River.

b. Farmington River flow plan – the Fisheries Division has been managing flows and the Commissioner signed off on the flow plan in May

3. Friends of CT Sportsman (FoCS)

a. Focus on the Squantz Cove Boat Launch

b. Planning on lobbying for Bear hunt for next session

Respectfully Submitted,

Dean Rustic, Conservation Director

- **Tournament Trail Report: Vinny Mucci**
- **T#3 was held, thank you to all who showed up early and stayed after to help, it is really appreciated!!!**
- **The winners were as follows:**
 - 1st Angler-Tim Talento**
 - 2 Nick Papotto**
 - 3 Kevin Barnosky**

1st Co Angler Neil Talento

2 Mason Symes

3 Mike Giacco

**Tournament #4 will be Sept 7th, Ct River, Haddam Meadows
VINNY ASKED FOR VOLUNTEERS TO ARRIVE EARLY AND HELP
WITH SET UP & RUNNING TRAILERS. IT IS A 7:00 START!**

YOU MUST HAVE AN AIS STAMP OR DECAL!!!

- **The AIS Decal (\$25.00) covers all legal operators of the boat whereas the \$7 individual stamp only covers the person who purchased it.**

THAYERS IS BACK OFFERING THEIR SPONSORSHIP OF THE 2025 TRAIL, \$1000.00 to the Top finishing Boater (Must be fishing out of a boat purchased at Thayer's Marine, new or used) in each of the five CBN Trail Tournaments.

Thank you, Thayer's!!!

The Thayers monies for 2025 will be given out at the CBN Banquet!!!

2025 TRAIL

September 21st TBD (New)

Sept 7th, CT River, Haddam Meadows

Oct 5th, Lillinonah, Steel Bridge

Scholarship Report: Mike Billings

4 Applications received, working on getting them ready for the Judges.

Banquet Report: Sylvia Morris

Rebooked for Nov 15th, 2025, NEW LOCATION, NEW PRICE

Manor Inn

1636 Meriden Waterbury Road

Milldale Ct. 06467

Invite, Menu and Reservation Instructions to come!

Women's Prizes have been bought.

We have secured Wiley X Sunglasses from Joe Kowalski and 2

Hummingbird units from Hummingbird per Vinny Mucci! Thank you!!

Working on more Raffle prizes

NEED EVERYONE TO HELP SECURE PRIZES!!!

Membership Committee/Social Media Director: Lindsey Favaloro

No Report

Sponsorship/ Chairperson-Neil Talento

No Report

Website: Please send me, Sylvia Morris, wefish2@att.net, any new members emails or any changed emails for me to update the Email

Blast list that our Webmaster uses to Blast all important info, News, Tournament Pairings, Results, Etc.

CBN Youth Report: Kevin Jaracy

- **Tournament was held last Sat. June 21st, had 9 boats.**
- **Next tournament is on Aug 23rd, 7-2 Candlewood, need boat Captains!!!!**
- **Last one is 9-27 also need Boat Captains!!!**
- **Kevin ordered Jerseys for the Teams going to the Nationals,they have shipped.**
- **Kevin took three new weigh in bags out of the CBN Trailer.**
- **Kevin will not be able to attend the YD Meeting at the High School Nationals, but is looking into attending the one at the Bass National Championship in Oct along with Vinny.**
- **Kevin has 125.00 to give to Mark for the High School account, returned gas money from Boat Captains.**

WE NEED BOAT CAPTAINS FOR ALL THE REMAINDER OF THE TOURNAMENTS!!!! Contact Info below.

The 2025 Junior/High School National Championship will be held at Clarks Hill Lake. Dates are:

7/25-7/26- Junior Championship tournament dates

Qualifiers- Jack Jaracy, Mason Maa't. I will be the boat captain for Juniors.

7/31-8/2- Highschool Championship tournament dates

I will notify all qualifiers and explain the process and what they need to do.

Each Angler & Boat Captain that goes will get a stipend of 500.00 from the CBN Youth Account.

Please forward my information to anyone that is interested in being a boat captain for the upcoming youth season.

If anyone has any questions, please contact me:

Kevin Jaracy

203-361-6182 ctjrbass@gmail.com

- **MOTION TO ACCEPT REPORTS AS GIVEN**

OLD BUSINESS

Vinny announced all Bass Nation Members discounts available, for codes get in touch with Vinny. These are for personal use only do not share with others!

- **AFTCO – B.A.S.S. Members receive an additional 10% discount off already marked down items at AFTCO.com. (Valid only on first purchase after creating account at AFTCO.com.)**
- **Relion Batteries receive a 40% discount NEW**
- **Kistler Rods – B.A.S.S. Members receive a 10% discount on Kistler Rods**
- **Rapala – B.A.S.S. Members get 20% off their shopping cart at www.rapala.com (one-time use only). 20% off with promo code applies to every item in your cart except excluded items listed below. Applicable Taxes, Shipping and Surcharges still apply. If a promo code is required, it must be applied during checkout on the My Cart Page or in the Billing Page during checkout to receive the offer. Offer cannot be combined with any other discounted product offers. Offer not valid on previous purchases. Products from all the respected brands on Rapala.com are eligible for this offer with the following exceptions: RAPALA Logo Lures, Rapala Fishing Pro Series PS4 (item RVG-RFPSPS4), Rapala Fishing Pro Series Xbox One (item RVG-RFPSX1)**
- **Daiwa – B.A.S.S. Member Exclusive – Free Multi-Branded Daiwa/Omnia/B.A.S.S./AFTCO sweatshirt. For a limited time, buy a Daiwa Zillion SV TW Casting Reel and get a Daiwa Omnia Fishing CX Hoody by AFTCO FREE! While supplies last!**
- **T-H Marine – 20% OFF the T-H Marine Site.**
- **Cigaur—20% Discount**
- **Dakota Lithium – B.A.S.S. Members receive 10% off sitewide on Dakota Lithium products. Cannot be stacked with other promotions.**
- **Toyota - B.A.S.S. members are eligible for the Toyota Bonus Bucks Program. This program provides contingency dollars for the highest placing finishers at sanctioned Bassmaster Tournament trail events.**
- **Marathon - B.A.S.S. Members earn 6 cents per gallon when filling up at participating Marathon and ARCO stations (limit 5 fuel transactions per day). Members can apply their rewards to save on future fuel purchases.**
- **B.A.S.S. Merchandise – Currently leads to dead page, but once we bring online store back in house, this will be updated. Digital**

Bassmaster - B.A.S.S. Members receive a 50% discount off the regular price or a digital Bassmaster subscription.

- **Bassmaster Ambassador Program - Only B.A.S.S. Members can become an ELITE Series Ambassador (formerly known as marshal) and ride along with the best anglers in the world.**

- **EXCUSED ABSENCES: NONE**

- **We need positions filled,
Conservation Director needed.
Tournament Director, ASAP!!!!**

- **NEW BUSINESS**

- **Mr. Bass application and Invite will be coming out soon! Please watch emails!!! Will be on the website also.**
- **Any By Law Proposals are due into Vinny by the July CBN Meeting, will be given out in Aug, discussed in Sept and voted on in Oct.**
- **All Meetings will be In Person and Webex (Info will be email blasted) at
Ct Comp 100 Corporate Place, Rocky Hill, Training Room.**

- **2025 Meetings are on the 4th Wed of the month:**

- **REMINDER!!! There are only 9 meetings in the CBN this year, so now your club can only miss ONE!!!**

July 23rd,

Aug 27th

Sept 24th

Oct 22nd

Meeting Adjourned at 7:27

