

**February 25, 2026**  
**CT B.A.S.S. Nation Conference Call/Webex**

**The call began at 7:11 pm**

**Officers' Present & on the Call were:**

**Vinny Mucci-President**

**Sylvia Morris Secretary**

**Dean Rustic-Conservation Director**

**Marc Levesque-Treasurer**

**Kevin Jaracy-Youth Director**

**Missing:**

**Mike Shay-Vice President**

**Clubs Missing: CBBA, Housatonic & Candlewood**

**Minutes from the prior month accepted.**

**Announcements:**

- **Congratulations to Noah Winslow for his finish in the 2026 B.A.S.S. Nationals and going to the 2026 B.A.S.S. Masters Classic!!! Reynolds Garage and Marine held a sendoff party for him which was very well attended and raised some money to help offset his expenses. Many people are going from Ct so he will have a good crowd cheering him on! We wish you the best of Luck Noah, we will all be watching and rooting for you!**
- **MinnKota Ultrex has been removed from the Program\_till further Notice**
- **VT2 Livewell Ventilation System has come on board as a Sponsor of B.A.S.S.**
- **2027 Nationals will be held on Lake Hartwell Nov 18<sup>th</sup> to the 21<sup>st</sup>**
- **2027 will also be held on Lake Hartwell March 19<sup>th</sup> to the 21<sup>st</sup>**

**Correspondence: None**

**REPORTS OF OFFICERS:**

- **Treasurer Report: Marc Levesque**

- **CBN Conservation Report: Dean Rustic NO REPORT**  
Dean will be attending the B.A.S.S. Masters Classic March 13<sup>th</sup> through the 15<sup>th</sup>, Conservation Summit giving a Presentation on Aquatic Plant Controversies.
- **Tournament Trail Report: Vinny Mucci**

**We have a new Tournament Director!!! Welcome Jim Young!**

**The 2026 CBN Trail Application and Tournament Rules are Posted and sent.**

**The 2026 New CBN Trail Format was sent out last week to all.**

**2026 Tournament Trail:**

**April 12<sup>th</sup>-Candlewood 8 to 4 Squantz**

**May 17<sup>th</sup>-Candlewood 8 to 4 Squantz**

**June 7<sup>th</sup>- Ct River 7 to 4 Haddam**

**September 13<sup>th</sup>- Ct River 7 to 4 Haddam**

**September 27<sup>th</sup>- Lilly 7 to 4 Steel Bridge**

**Oct 11<sup>th</sup>- Bryan V Kerchal (Mr. B.A.S.S.)/CBN Championship Tournament  
TBD**

**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.**

**Scholarship Report: None**

**Banquet Report: Mike Shay will rebook:  
Manor Inn**

**1636 Meriden Waterbury Road  
Milldale Ct. 06467  
Date coming soon**

**Membership Committee/Social Media Director:**

**Need Someone!**

**Sponsorship/ Chairperson Need Someone**

**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**

**Has 16 Teams signed up, waiting on a few more.**

**Raised the Dues to 65 each, 30 for B.A.S.S. and 35 for the Highschool**

**Denali Rods has introduced a discount Program for the High School kids on their products.**

**We will have one High School Team representing us this year at the High School Championship.**

**We have no Juniors at this point**

**Tournament Dates: all Saturdays**

**May 30<sup>th</sup> Housatonic 7 to 2 Indian Wells**

**Aug 22<sup>nd</sup> Lilly 6:30 to 1:30 Pond Brook**

**September 19<sup>th</sup> Candlewood 7 to 2 Latins**

**Oct 3 Highland 7 to 2 State Launch**

**Kevin Jaracy**

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- **MOTION TO ACCEPT REPORTS AS GIVEN**

**OLD BUSINESS:**

- **Excused Absences: NONE**

**STILL NEED:**

**Sponsorship Person**

**Social Media Director**

**Scholarship Chariperson**

- **All Online B.A.S.S. Nation Rosters Have been cleared and ready to renew your Clubs online for 2026. Remember when you do that please do an updated Roster (Proper Roster Form located under Forms on our website, [ctbass.com](http://ctbass.com) Please) for the CBN and mail a copy to Marc Levesque, 20 First Avenue, Waterbury Ct 06710, along with a check for your CBN Dues. 50.00 a person, unless they are over 60 and a member for five years or more it is 25.00 for them.**

**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](http://AFTCO.com). (Valid only on first purchase after creating account at [AFTCO.com](http://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](http://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](http://Rapala.com) are eligible for this offer with the following exceptions: RAPALA Logo Lures, Rapala Fishing Pro Series PS4 (item RVG-RFPS4), 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.**
- **Seguar—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 –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.**
  
- **NEW BUSINESS**
- **CT Bassmen will be holding their annual Mixed Open Tournament on Candlewood Lake, May 31<sup>st</sup>. Applications will be out soon!**
- **Heart of CT announced, April 25<sup>th</sup>, the HOC Open and on April 26<sup>th</sup> the Bryan V Kerchal Tournament both on Candlewood, applications coming soon!**
- **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!!!  
2026 CBN Meeting Dates**

**January-NO MEETING**

**March 25<sup>th</sup>**

**April 22<sup>nd</sup>**

**May 27<sup>th</sup>**

**June 24<sup>th</sup>**

**July 22<sup>nd</sup>**

**August 26<sup>th</sup>**

**September 23<sup>rd</sup>**

**October 28<sup>th</sup>**

**November and December & January 2027 NO MEETING**

**Meeting Adjourned at 8:14**

**Respectfully submitted:**

**Sylvia Morris**