

**May 27<sup>th</sup>, 2026**

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

**The call began at 7:05 pm**

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

**Vinny Mucci-President**

**Sylvia Morris Secretary**

**Marc Levesque-Treasurer**

**Mike Shay-Vice President**

**Kevin Jaracy-Youth Director**

**Dean Rustic-Conservation Director**

**Jim Young-Tournament Director**

**Clubs Missing: None**

**Minutes from the prior month accepted.**

**Announcements:**

**Correspondence: None**

**REPORTS OF OFFICERS:**

- ***Treasurer Report: Marc Levesque***
- **General Account: 77,949**
- **Tournament Trail Account: 3,121**
- **Nationals Account: 10,685**
- **High School Account: 5,392**
- **Scholarship Account: 7,182.42**
- **Trail Residual: 1,549**
- **Total: 105,880**

**CBN Conservation Report May 27, 2026**

**Information from this past Month –**

**1. CT Conservation Advisory Council (CCAC) Meeting**

- a. **Saw a presentation on the R3 Hunting – Lengthy Presentation**
- b. **Discussed the last-minute bills through the Legislator.**
- c. **Reviewed the Game Tasting event at the State Capital on Wednesday April 22nd.**

**d. Special guest was the CBN President**

**2. Fisheries Advisory Council –**

**a. No Meeting – Next meeting set for June 18th at the Quinebaug State Hatchery.**

**3. Friends of CT Sportsman (FoCS)no meeting.**

**4. Information from DEEP –**

**a. Lake Waramaug – Has instituted a decontamination station at the Fire house for boats.**

**Respectfully Submitted, Dean Rustic, Conservation Director**

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- **Tournament Trail Report: Jim Young**

**T#2 was held, all went well.**

**Congratulations to our Winners:**

**Boaters: 1<sup>st</sup>, Jose Soler, 2<sup>nd</sup>, Lenny Gaita, 3<sup>rd</sup>, Noah Winslow**

**Non Boaters: 1<sup>st</sup>, Neil Talento, 2<sup>nd</sup>, Joh Ruggerio, 3<sup>rd</sup>, Lorin Valenti**

**Please note, arrive early, get in the water 30 min prior to take off, if not in the water 30 minutes prior to launch, you will have to wait to Launch until all the Committee gets in the water!!! Jim will be enforcing this rule.**

**We had two people not weigh in as they were late and lost their catch but received show up points as per the Tournament Rules. If you are going to help someone who has broken down you must be in on time weigh your fish first, then go and help the broken down boat.**

**This Tournament came up fast as there was only three weeks in between Tournaments. Jim is accepting late entries, but not after the pairings are done.**

**FYI: All tournaments left are a 7:00 start!!! September Tournaments are only two weeks apart, maybe send in both entries at the same time.**

**Please get your applications, Ins and Boaters Certificate mailed by the mailing deadline listed on the application!!!**

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

**2026 Tournament Trail:**

**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**

- **THAYERS IS BACK OFFERING THEIR SPONSORSHIP OF THE 2026 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 2026 will be given out at the CBN Banquet!!!**

**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-Jim Young will choose a new question and get the application sent out by June 1<sup>st</sup> and mailing deadline for applying will be Sept 1<sup>st</sup> 2026.**

**Banquet Report: Mike Shay rebooked for Nov 14<sup>th</sup> 2026**

**Manor Inn**

**1636 Meriden Waterbury Road**

**Milldale Ct. 06467**

**Same as last year.**

**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**

**I have 11 high school teams.**

**5/30 is the first tournament all set at this time with Boat Captains, but will need them for the next Aug, Sept and Oct Tournaments!!**

**Sylvia expressed that she had sent an email to all six National Contenders from the CBN that they are required to do at least one of the High School events in order to receive the Stipend that the CBN gives them to help defray the costs of their travel.**

**The six Contenders will meet next week and discuss which they will attend as boat captains and helpers. They will let us know soon.**

**If anyone new is interested in being a boat captains, please have them reach out to me.**

**High School National Contenders will get Jerseys, will order Jerseys soon.**

**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**

**203-361-6182 ctjrbass@gmail.com**

- **MOTION TO ACCEPT REPORTS AS GIVEN**

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

- **Excused Absences: Candlewood**
- **CT Bassmen will be holding their 41 st annual Mixed Open Tournament on Candlewood Lake, May 31<sup>st</sup>. Applications will be out soon!**

### **STILL NEED:**

**Sponsorship Person**

**Social Media Director**

**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](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-RFSPS4), 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**

**The Six National Contenders are meeting to decide when they can Volunteer for the High School Tournaments as required by the CBN.**

**They are also holding Benefit Tournaments to add to the Stipend from the CBN, to help them defer the cost of their Travels to the Nationals and back. Next one is June 28<sup>th</sup> on Lilly, Steelbridge, 6 to 2, Breakfast and lunch will be available.**

**They are having Jerseys made for the Nationals, they are selling spots from \$250.00 to \$1000.00 depending on**

**location of Logo wanted. If Interested please contact Neil Talento, 860-685-1648 or Mike Giacco, 203-494-6696**

- **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**

**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 2026 & January 2027 NO MEETING**

**Meeting Adjourned at 7:42**

**Respectfully submitted:**

**Sylvia Morris**