

TBF of CT Monthly minutes of meeting held February 20, 2014

Present were: Valley, Bass Fin-Addicts, Mid-State, Southeast, Bio Bass.

Minutes were approved as written.

Youth Report:

The Tri State High School Championship will be hosted by Mass., on June 14th in Sutton Ma. on Mashapaug. Press release will be coming.

Tournament Report:

On the trail we reversed Candy & Zoar.. So on May 10 we are on Zoar & on June 15 on Candy. Tournaments are 7 to 3 EXCEPT Aug 10. Aug. 10 is 7:30 to 3:30.

Open rules were discussed, they need to be updated and the applications need to get out.

It was mentioned that there is a website at *basstournamentfinder.com* that lists all tournaments. It was asked if we want our tournaments listed there. The membership said it was fine to list them there, especially the Opens.

State Team: Dom Gambardella is the Team Captain for the 2014 Team. Need more volunteers for Cabela's weekend. It will give you a chance to promote your club and the TBF.

Fred is still working with Cabela's to get the Trophy displayed there.

Sponsors: HDS-7 was ordered from Lowrance. Reviewed the Humminbird, Minn-Kota & Talon and the Lowrance sponsorship offer for 1014. We will not qualify for the Gold with Lowrance. If we use both we can maximize the membership benefits. A motion was made by Dom G. second by Norm B. that we go for Lowrance's Silver level and Hummin'bird, Minn-Kota & talon as dual sponsors. The motion passed.

New Business:

The Ranger voucher was used for 5 boat throw cushions. After discussion they were sold for a total of \$50.

There was discussion on the way we hold out funds from the trail for trophies and awards. A motion was made to put all entry fees toward payouts. Motion was made by Keith C., second by Norm B. The motion passed.

Dom's membership card emailed to him was from 2013 not 2014. This will be looked into.

There was a suggestion that we add to the TBF trail applications a space to check if you have entered the Ranger Cup. Keith & Jeff will make this change.

Jim Canning came in with an insurance application from Charter Lakes Marine Ins. He is looking for members to fill out and get quotes from this insurance company. There could be a sponsorship coming from this firm.

Discussion on the Web site. Amy said it would be updated by the next meeting. She is looking for more members to write articles for the site - so it will keep changing and give people more to look at. She does not have the time to write everything up herself.

There was mention that Amy & Fred have been paying for the updating of the website for years. A motion was made by Norm B., second by Dom. G. to appropriate \$50. a month to pay for the website. The motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

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secretary