

# TBF of Connecticut

## The Bass Federation of Connecticut

\*\*\*\*\*September 2010 Monthly Newsletter \*\*\*\*\*

*The 2010 Eastern Divisional is completed and our National Representatives have been determined!!*



*Steve Bender & Dominic Gambardella will be attending the Nationals next spring.*

TBF of CT Board of Director's meeting minutes of August 19, 2010

Attendance: Bio Bass, Bass Hunters, Midstate, Southeast, Bass Finn-addicts, Valley B/M., Schaghticoke.

Minutes: The minutes for the July meeting were approved as written.(motion by D. Gambardella; second by R. Suhie - motion passed).

Treasurer's Report: All dues have been reconciled with National TBF.

Youth Report: The Nationals were tough only 33 of 82 Junior Anglers caught fish the first day. The National Guard treated the Junior Anglers GREAT!! Next year the Junior Nationals will be held in Arkansas; it will cost more to send them than this year. We need to start planning now.

At the junior nationals there were fund raisers proposed. Dom Gambardella will be briefing the Youth Director and junior members. Dom also stated there may be tournament changes at the Junior Nationals. More info to follow.

Tournament Director: The regular trail is done and the two-day for the 2011 state team is on the horizon.

State Team: Two day pairings will be held Tuesday August 24<sup>th</sup> in Milford at 8pm. A mandatory 2010 State Team meeting will be held at 7pm - just before the pairings,

A motion was made by J. Sherman; second by J. Marks; to approve the reports. Motion passed.

#### OLD BUSINESS:

Lowrance is back as a National TBF sponsor. We have received the \$1200.00 certificate from Lowrance for last years' sponsorship. It needs to be used by October 31<sup>st</sup>.

Payouts for the 2009 trail A & B divisions.

A Division; \$187.00 Joe Rackiewicz

\$108.00 Peter Bates

\$72.30 Fred Perry

B Division: \$103.73 Joe Socci

\$62.23 Jim Sherman

\$41.49 Curtis Grasty

Fred & Jim Sherman donated their winnings back to the TBF.

The new scale that came to the TBF through Jim Canning has been used and is GREAT!! The sponsorship to fund the scale has not come in as fast as we expected. Jim Canning fronted the cash to purchase the scale and will be repaid as soon as the sponsorships come through. The scale came with a three year warrantee.

We still have oil and a few rejuvenade. We will purchase two more boxes of rejuvenade.

Dziob and Simons initially agreed to return half of the disputed lunker pool from the last open. They have since said that they will not honor this agreement. Fred brought up we should still send half the lunker money to Ascani . Dom G. made a motion to send half to the other party with a letter of apology; second by Jim C. The motion passed.

There was discussion on the amount of upfront money to be given to the 2010 State Team to go to Champlain. Fred will make the best choice with the funds available.

The secretary cast one vote for Larry Mansy as the 2011 Tournament Director.

The secretary cast one vote for Dom Gambardella for Vice President for the balance of the Vice President's term.

#### NEW BUSINESS:

There was a short discussion on the possibly of increasing the state dues from \$25.00 to \$40.00. More discussion will happen next meeting.

Jim Canning has solicited two TBF of CT State Sponsors. Stella Pizza & Restaurant & Sergio's Pizza and Restaurant. This added \$150.00 to the coffers.

Respectfully submitted,

Amy Perry TBF of CT Secretary

***Any By-law change proposals are due to be submitted to the executive board by the September Board meeting.***

# *The 2010 State Team from Lake Champlain*



**Front row: Chris Blanc, Ken Bugden, Jeff Misaiko, Fred Perry, Joe Rackiewicz, and Ken Rollo. Standing: Joe Socci, Rich Schumacher, Jerry Hammond, Frank Zabski, Dominic Gambardella, Steve Bender and Jim Canning. (not pictured Amy Perry)**

The last week on Lake Champlain ran the gambit of the weather of the fall. Sunshine with a slight breeze, rain and a little wind, RAIN & BIG WIND. We missed the morning bite on Friday due to over night wind and high chop on the lake. We were able to get on the water by 10am. When all was said and done we finished in 6<sup>th</sup> place. Steve Bender will go to the Nationals as a boater and Dominic Gambardella as the non boater.

Everyone caught fish over the three day tournament. The cabins we stayed in were the BEST! More room than we are used to and no fear of theft.

The following are the results of the three day tournament. If you see any of these anglers – ask them about the time they had.... They all love to tell their fish stories.

## 2010 Eastern Divisional Final Standings for Connecticut

Angler	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Fish	Total Weight
Steve Bender	9-08 lbs	15-07 lbs	8-08 lbs	15/15	33-07 lbs
Dominic Gambardella	14-13 lbs	8-10 lbs	8-12 lbs	13/13	32-03 lbs
Richard Schumacher	10-15 lbs	10-09 lbs	5-14 lbs	15/14 1 dead	27-06 lbs
Ken Rollo	9-03 lbs	4-04 lbs	8-11 lbs	11/11	22-02 lbs
Jerry Hammond	8-00 lbs	6-10 lbs	7-02 lbs	11/11	21-12 lbs
Fred Perry	2-01 lbs	8-11 lbs	7-14 lbs	12/12	18-10 lbs
Chris Blanc	6-00 lbs	12-05 lbs	0 lbs	10/10	18-05 lbs
Jeff Misaiko	0 lbs	11-06 lbs	6-10 lbs	9/9	18-00 lbs
Frank Zabski	7-07 lbs	6-14 lbs	2-14 lbs	12/12	17-03 lbs
Jim Canning	0 lbs	9-03 lbs	2-00 lbs	5/5	11-03 lbs
Joe Socci	2-09 lbs	4-14 lbs	1-14 lbs	4/4	9-05 lbs
Joe Rackiewicz	0 lbs	4-00 lbs	1-12 lbs	3/3	5-12 lbs

# Candlewood Fall's Final Fling

Squantz Pond Launch Saturday October 16, 2010 - 7am - 3pm

*Proceeds to benefit the TBF of CONNECTICUT*

*Entry Fee \$100.00 per team  
Optional Lunker Fee of \$20.00 per team  
Launch position BY postmark of paid entry  
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### Candlewood Fall's Final Fling October 16, 2010 - Entry Form

All entries **MUST** have two signatures - Attach a copy of current boat insurance policy.

In consideration of being accepted in this tournament, the undersigned releases and discharges TBF of CT, and its officers and its members from all claims, demands, rights of causes of action, present or future. Whether known, anticipated or unanticipated, and resulting from or arising out of incident to the undersigned participation in the TBF of CT - Candlewood Fall's Final Fling.

Boater: \_\_\_\_\_ Non-Boater \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Town: \_\_\_\_\_ Town: \_\_\_\_\_

State & zip \_\_\_\_\_ State & zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

\$100.00 entry fee \_\_\_\_\_ Optional lunker fee \$20.00 \_\_\_\_\_ Amt. enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_

Make & model of Boat: \_\_\_\_\_ Length: \_\_\_\_\_

Boat Registration: \_\_\_\_\_ H.P. rating \_\_\_\_\_ H.P. on

boat: \_\_\_\_\_

Entries to be postmarked by October 6, 2010 .... Sign up at the entry ramp with **CASH**.

1. THIS IS A TEAM TOURNAMENT. Teams consist of two anglers in one boat.
2. All contestants, ages 16 or older, must be Connecticut licensed fishermen.
3. Live bait, trolling and ALCOHOLIC beverages are PROHIBITED. Artificial baits only.
4. Only one(1) rigged rod may be used at one time per contestant. Other rigged rods may be in the boat.
5. All bass must be caught live and in a conventional manner.
6. All fishing must be accomplished from the BOAT. Contestants cannot depart the BOAT to land a fish. All contestants must leave the official launch area by BOAT and return by BOAT.
7. Contestants who are NOT in the official launch area on time shall be DISQUALIFIED. An excuse given for tardiness will be considered by the Tournament Committee. If the excuse is voted acceptable, there will be no penalty.
8. Scoring will be determined by pounds to the one-hundredths. The tournament winners will be determined by total pounds and hundredths. Only LARGEMOUTH and SMALLMOUTH BASS will be weighed with an eight (8) fish limit.
9. ALL BASS will be a minimum of (12) twelve inches in length. Weighing in of short fish will result in a disqualification. One courtesy measure per team.
10. Ties will be broken in the following manner: 1) By weight of the largest fish. 2) By the total number of fish weighed.
11. Sportsmanship, courtesy, safety and conservation are expected from each participant. Each boat must have standard Coast Guard safety equipment.
12. Anglers have to wear their life jackets while the large motor is running.
12. Each boat must have a live well with working aerators; able to keep a full catch alive and well. The boat will also be equipped with a kill switch.
13. Boat numbers will be issued on receipt of paid entry. Boats will line up an idle in order to past the mouth of the Squantz Cove with out swamping the checkout boat!
14. The Tournament waters will be patrol by Tournament Judges, and they can be called upon to resolve any problems that might arise.
15. A quarter pound will be deducted for each dead fish and for each fish not released alive at the end of the Tournament. (If D.E.P. chooses to take a fish to study - you will not be penalized).
16. At the weigh-in, each team will weigh in their fish together to obtain their placement in the standings. (One member can bring their bag of fish to the scales while the other keeps the boat safe.)  
*Weigh-in will be to the lake side of the launch. Once you check in with the check-in boat, stage to the lake side of the launch - make sure you stay far enough away from the launch so boaters can drive up on the trailers without hitting waiting boats.*
17. The TBF of CT reserves the right to refuse any application.

## PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Hi everyone, it's been a while since I last wrote with updates and I apologize for that.

First and foremost - I want to thank Dave Dziob and Chris Simons for sending back half of the payout for the lunker at the open tournament. Apparently I misunderstood our phone conversation, which I mentioned in the last write up in this column. Dave contacted me and sent out a check to our treasurer, as he had originally told us he would. Again I want to thank Dave and Chris for helping us to resolve our problem, and I hope to see them both at our future opens.

We recently held the two day qualifier and next team has been determined. The Regional will be held on Lake Sabago in Maine. We will be going up soon to check out the facility which is hosting the event. We know that they offer a meal plan, and will be checking out what is offered and at what prices. As soon as we know the details, the Federation can decide how we go forward.

We also just got back (last week) from this years Divisional tournament on Lake Champlain. As a team we finished in seventh place. Steve Bender (boater) and Dominic Gambardella (nonboater) will be attending the Nationals in the spring. Congratulations to both Steve and Dominic for moving on and best of luck to both of them at the event.

I want to take just a minute here to thank Jim Canning for all of his efforts. I talked last month about the scale which Jim acquired for us, now he has brought us some local sponsors and is working to increase our membership. Thanks again Jim, your work for the Federation is greatly appreciated.

Now that I've dealt with the pleasant stuff,

I guess it's time to deal with the rest of what is going on in the organization. First off we need to address the attendance at our monthly meetings. We are having a really hard time getting enough people to the meetings to make a quorum. If we don't make a quorum, we cannot conduct business, and whether we like it or not there are always some issues that need to be addressed. I hate to think that in the future the organization would have to impose penalties, just to force people to show up. Lets all start making an effort to have someone from the club show up, remember we're trying to be 100% user friendly and that means we really do need input from everyone.

The next thing that I need to mention is our need for more members. We are now in our fifth year as an organization, and we still have less than a hundred members. I understand that the economy is not helping us and I realize that less and less people are getting involved in fishing these days but we really need to gain membership. It has to be our main goal to get more members. We have a lot of benefits with our insurance package, cheap dues, a friendly low cost tournament trail, the possibility of making the state team and two chances each year of qualifying for the Nationals. We are currently putting together a small flyer which covers who and what we are and what we offer in the form of benefits for our members. These will be available at the upcoming meetings and we urge that you give them to anyone who fishes.

One last thing for this month. We have several Open Tournaments coming up and we can use all of the support that we can get. Please come out and fish and encourage all of your friends to join us

## 2010 Two Day First day results from the Connecticut River

Finish	Angler	Dead Fish	POOL	Smallmouth	Largemouth	Lunker	TOTAL WEIGHT
1	KEITH CLEARY		Y	4	1	3.97 S/M	10.12
2	RICH BAKER	1 DEAD	Y	3	2	3.44	adj 8.72
3	JOE RACKIEWICZ		Y	1	4	2.53	8.58
4	GARY KURENSKY		Y		5	2.31	8.18
5	GREG LOWNDS	1 DEAD	Y	1	4	1.64	adj 7.39
6	SCOTT JANUS		N	4	1	2.34	7.32
7	KEN BUGDEN		Y	3	2	2.04	7.07
8	ALEX SHVARTSMAN	1 DEAD	Y	1	4	1.9	adj 6.96
9	FRED PERRY		Y		3	2.43	5.51
10	STEVE BENDER		Y		3	1.99	4.26
11	BILL CARPENTER		Y	1	1	1.63	3.01
12	JIM CANNING		Y		1	1.37	1.37
13	PETER BATES		Y	1		1.29	1.29
14	DOM GAMBEDELLA		Y		1	1.06	1.06
15	LARRY MANSY		Y	1		0.92	0.92
16	AMY PERRY		Y	1		0.91	0.91
17	JERRY NYARADY		Y			0	0
18	RICH GAMBERDELLA		Y			0	0



## 2010 Two Day Second day results from Candlewood Lake

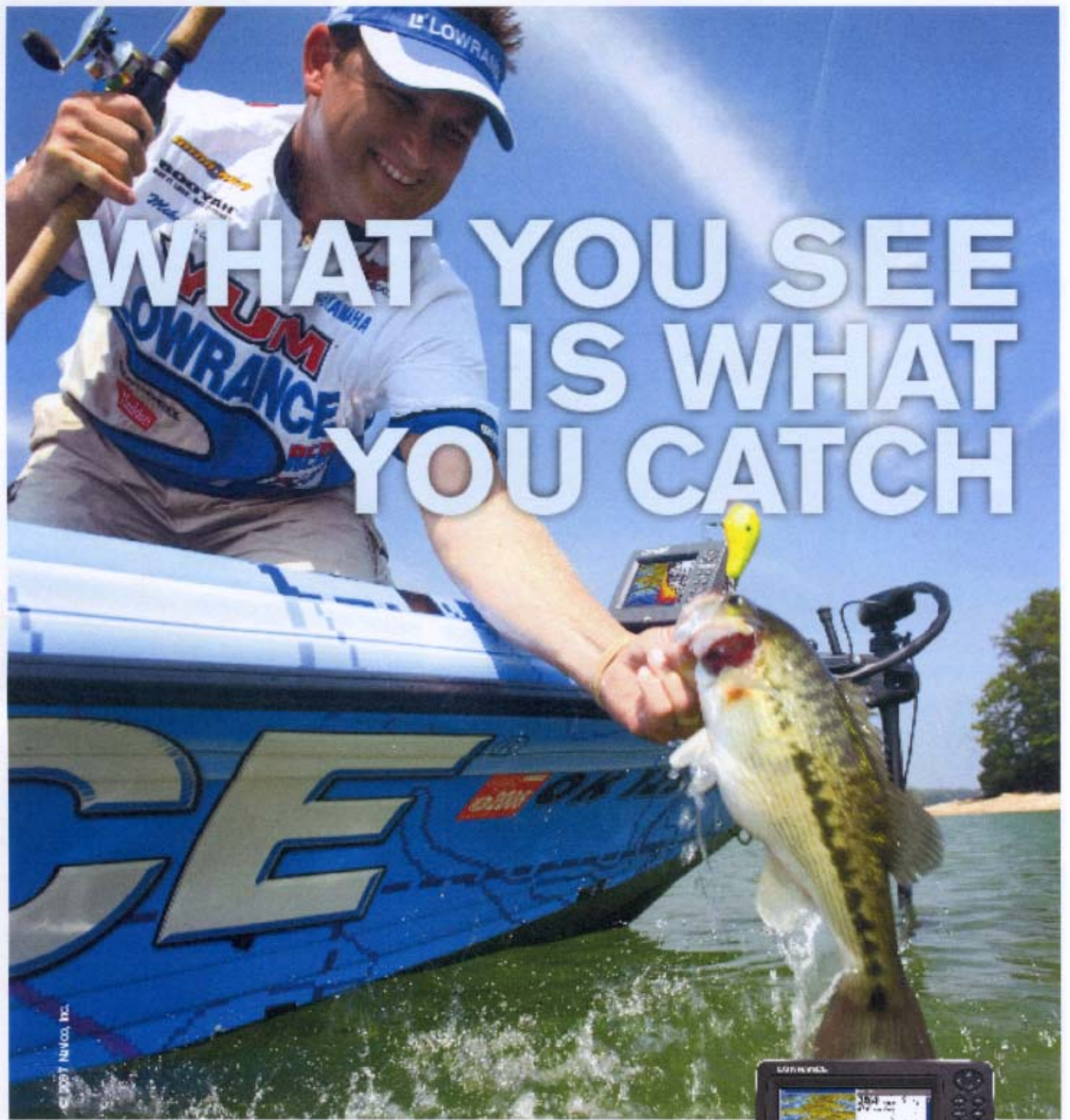
Finish	Angler	Dead fish	POOL	Smallmouth	Largemouth	Lunker	TOTAL WEIGHT
1	GREG LOWNDS		Y	5		4.02	16.8
2	KEITH CLEARY		Y	4	1	3.52	14.11
3	SCOTT JANUS		N	4	1	3.3	14.1
4	STEVE BENDER		Y		5	3.73	12.29
5	RICH BAKER		Y	4	1	3.13	11.34
6	DOM GAMBERDELLA		Y	4	1	3.2	11.11
7	GARY KURENSKY		Y		5	2.33	10.91
8	JOE RACKIEWICZ		Y	3	1	2.42	8.07
9	RICH GAMBERDELLA	4 DEAD	Y	5		2.69	adj 6.90
10	LARRY MANSY		Y	3	2	2.44	6.48
11	ALEX SCVARTSMAN		Y	2	1	3.04	6.17
12	KEN BUGDEN	1 DEAD	Y	2		2.17	adj 4.32
13	JIM CANNING		Y	1		4.14	4.14
14	PETER BATES		Y	1	1	2.5	3.38
15	BILL CARPENTER		Y	1	1	2.36	3.31
16	FRED PERRY		Y	1		2.76	2.76
17	AMY PERRY		Y			0	0
18	JERRY NYARADY		Y			0	0

## 2010 Two Day results in Points (Not the State Team)

Finish	Angler	NON-BOATER	River	Candlewood	Total Points
1	KEITH CLEARY		300	298	598
2	GREG LOWNDS		292	300	592
3	RICH BAKER		298	292	590
4	SCOTT JANUS		290	296	586
5	GARY KURENSKY		294	288	582
6	JOE RACKIEWICZ		296	286	582
7	STEVE BENDER		282	294	576
8	ALEX SCVARTSMAN		286	280	566
9	KEN BUGDEN		288	278	566
10	DOM GAMBERDELLA		274	290	564
11	LARRY MANSY		272	282	554
12	FRED PERRY		284	270	554
13	JIM CANNING		278	276	554
14	BILL CARPENTER		280	272	552
15	PETER BATES		276	274	550
16	RICH GAMBERDELLA		220	284	504
17	AMY PERRY		270	234	504
18	JERRY NYARADY		220	234	454

## THE 2011 TBF of CT State Team

Finish	Angler	Position
1	JEFF MISAIKO	1 RST BOATER
2	KEITH CLEARY	2 ND BOATER
3	GREG LOWNDS	3 RD BOATER
4	RICH BAKER	4 TH BOATER
5	SCOTT JANUS	5 TH BOATER
6	GARY KURENSKY	6 TH BOATER
7	KEN BUGDEN	1 RST ALT BOATER
8	JOE RACKIEWICZ	NON - BOATER
9	STEVE BENDER	NON - BOATER
10	ALEX SCVARTZMAN	NON - BOATER
11	DOM GAMBERDELLA	NON - BOATER
12	LARRY MANSY	NON - BOATER
13	FRED PERRY	1 RST ALT
14	JIM CANNING	2 ND ALT
15	BILL CARPENTER	3 RD ALT
16	PETER BATES	4 TH ALT
17	RICH GAMBERDELLA	5 TH ALT
18	AMY PERRY	6 TH ALT
19	JERRY NYARADY	7 TH ALT
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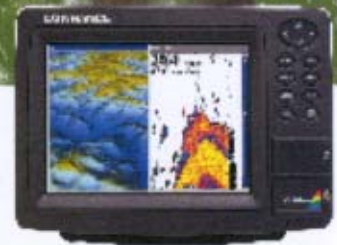
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