

TBF of Connecticut

The Bass Federation of Connecticut

***** August 2009 Monthly Newsletter *****

We the first four members of the 2010 TBF State Team have been determined....

***Joe Rackiewicz, Fred Perry, Chris Blanc
and Rich Schumacher***

These anglers have finished the top four in C Division from the TBF Tournament Trail and have qualified for four of the 13 spots on the 2010 Team.

The Two-Day will be held on August 29th & 30th to qualify the remaining nine anglers for the 2010 State Team.

All TBF of CT members are encouraged to fish the Two-Day and become a state team member and fish for a week next September on Lake Champlain.

The pairings meeting is Tuesday August 25th at the Maragret Egan Center in Milford at 7:30pm. Application inside of this newsletter. Fill it out and bring it with you to the pairings meeting.

TBF of CT Minutes from July 16, 2009

All clubs were present.

Minutes from the June 18th meeting were accepted with the following corrections: Southern and Schaghticoke were not at the June meeting. Motion to accept was made by Norm Boucher and seconded by Amy Perry. Passed.

Treasurer's Report: The bounced check was honored and the over draft fee paid. We need to review FLW memberships and reimburse Southern for their dues.

Tournament Director's Report:
34 fishing on Candy. There will be a pairing for two boaters in this tournament later in the meeting. Joe has the new tent and supporting items.

State Team:

Steve Bender has dropped from the 09 state team. That will move Rich Schumacher as a non-boater. Jim Marenzana will move up as 2nd alt.

The Open held on July 11th had 12 boats attending. From the first three opens we have raised \$1,638.00.

Youth:

Joe brought in rules for the juniors and boat captains for the officers - they will be available online shortly.

Matt P has signed his Jr. State Team contact and returned it. J. Dingle has the contract but has yet to return it signed.

Website & environmental:

Lee has been very ill this past week and has not made the meeting. He may need to step back from the website and 2009 state team to get well.

A motion was made by Jerry Marks and seconded by Norm Boucher to accept committee reports. Passed.

OLD BUSINESS:

Audit will be done by next meeting.

The two day was scheduled for Lilly and Candy. Lilly will have a weed kill a few days before the scheduled two day. There was discussion on moving the first day of the two-day from Lilly to the Connecticut River. After long discussion there was a motion from Dom. Gambardella; seconded by

Amy Perry to move the first day of the two day to Ct. River out of Haddam Meadows. The motion passed.

The newsletter was sent out this month in PDF file to all the e-mail addresses we had on file. There was discussion, then a motion was made by Norm Boucher, seconded by C. Grasty - to e-mail the newsletter and post it on our website monthly. Motion passed.

Jim Marenzana was not at this meeting but relayed through Fred that the Ranger Vouchers will be turned in and redeemed by next meeting.

Youth -Junior Nationals are to be held in Pittsburgh, Pa. at the end of the month. Approx. 485 miles. Discussion went on a while. In the end a motion was made by Amy; seconded by Dom Gambardella to supply the two junior angler anglers with \$250.00 up front for the trip. If they spend more than that we will give an additional \$100.00 if they supply receipts the total \$350.00 - of approved expenses. The motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS:

Nominations for tournament director: Larry Mansy.

There was general discussion about funding individual state teams. Centering on us needing to find better ways to raise money. Items: Maybe a raffle, Champlain Open and Opens on other bodies of water in Ct. We should review the entry fees - they may be too high.

Tony Vazquez was present and Dom Gambardella spoke up to rep for Art Rife in the coin flip to determine which one would be the boater on Candy. Art won the flip and became the boater.

The way to measure a fish came up on Zoar. Fred stated he was wrong and the mouth should be closed not open "snout to tail". If it is short you break the law. Dom Gambardella suggested we change our rules on courtesy measure.

Dom Gambardella brought in mesh weigh-in bags for the TBF to look at and purchase to use for easier weigh-ins. After discussion it was brought to a vote and we voted to purchase them at \$15.00 each. (Motion by Jim Sherman; seconded by Joe Voerman).

Respectfully Submitted,
Amy Perry



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CHEVY



TBF of Connecticut Two Day Application

Two Day Entry Fee: \$125.00

Saturday August 29th Ct. River - Haddam Meadows 7am - 3pm

Angler: _____ Club: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ e-mail: _____

TBF# _____ FLW# _____ Boater: _____

Boat

make & model: _____ Registration# _____

Color: _____ Length: _____ H.P. Rating _____ H.P. _____

I Have read and understand TBF of Ct. tournament rules. I agree to abide by these rules during the tournament. I am a member in good standing with National TBF, FLW and the TBF of CT. I agree my picture and likeness can be used on the TBF website and in promotion for TBF of CT, National TBF and FLW.

Boater: _____ Non-Boater: _____

Anglers' signature: _____

Sunday Candlewood Lake Squantz Pond August 30 7am -3pm

Angler: _____ Club: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ e-mail: _____

TBF# _____ FLW# _____ Boater: _____

Boat

make & model: _____ Registration# _____

Color: _____ Length: _____ H.P. Rating _____ H.P. _____

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CT. RIVER A - DIVISION STANDINGS - 8-9-09

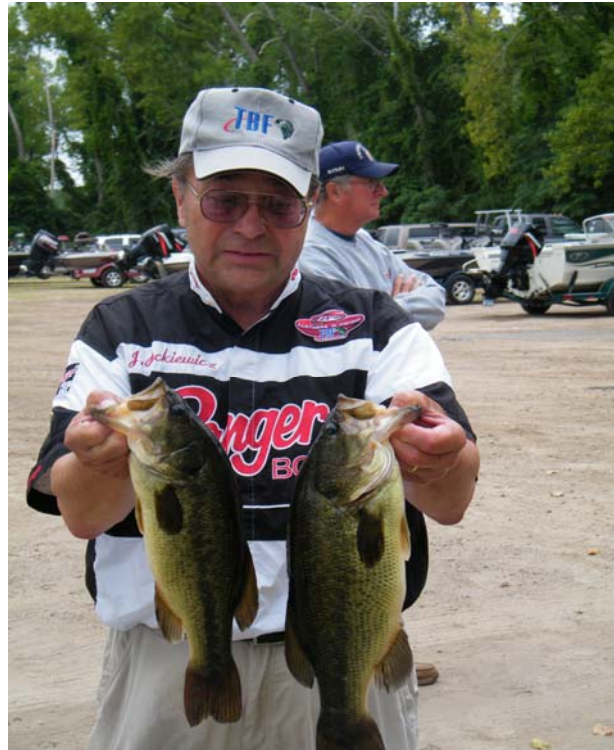
NAME	# FISH	LUNKER	TOT. WT.	ADJ. WT	POINTS
ART RIFE	4	4.27	10.9	10.9	300
JOE RACKIEWICZ	5	4.24	10.14	10.14	298
RICH SCHUMACHER	5	2.69	7.35	7.35	296
FRED PERRY	5	2.09	7.17	6.92	294
GEORGE MULLEN	5	2.25	6.35	6.35	292
PETER BATES	4	3.1	5.82	5.82	290
KEN BUGDEN	2	3.38	4.32	4.32	288
TROY DAMIANO	2	3.25	4.2	4.2	286
JIM CANNING	2	2.5	3.69	3.69	284
CHRIS BLANC	1	2.31	2.31	2.31	282
JEFF MISAICO					232

CT RIVER - B DIVISION STANDINGS - 8-9-09

NAME	# FISH	LUNKER	TOT. WT.	ADJ. WT.	POINTS
FRANK RUSSO	5	3.37	8.93	8.68	300
JOE SOCCI	5	2.92	7.16	7.17	298
TONY VAZQUEZ	1	4.24	4.24	4.24	296
KEN ROLLO	2	2.86	3.84	3.84	294
JIM SHERMAN	2	2.58	3.36	3.36	292
JERRY MARKS	2	2.19	3.31	3.31	290
RICH SUHIE	2	2.17	3.21	3.21	288
PAUL NARDUCCI	1	2.89	2.89	2.89	GUEST
SCOTT HOLLERMAN	2	1.91	2.84	2.84	GUEST
CURTIS GRATSKY	2	1.68	2.5	2.5	286
ROB INGHILTARAH	1	2.1	2.1	2.1	284
ED PUCILLO	1	1.99	1.99	1.99	282
JOHN HORBAL					232
JOHN KESSLER					232
GARY KURENSKY					232
LARRY MANSEY					232
AMY PERRY					232
MIKE TOWBRIDGE					GUEST
MIKE ZENO					232

CT. RIVER - C DIVISION STANDINGS - 8-9-09

NAME	# FISH	LUNKER	TOT. WT.	ADJ. WT.	POINTS
ART RIFE	4	4.27	10.9	10.9	500
JOE RACKIEWICZ	5	4.24	10.14	10.14	498
RICH SCHUMACHER	5	2.69	7.35	7.35	496
FRED PERRY	5	2.09	7.17	6.92	494
GEORGE MULLEN	5	2.25	6.35	6.35	492
KEN BUGDEN	2	3.38	4.32	4.32	490
TONY VAZQUEZ	1	4.24	4.24	4.24	488
TROY DAMIANO	2	3.25	4.2	4.2	486
CHRIS BLANC	1	2.31	2.31	2.31	484
JEFF MISAIKO					434
AMY PERRY					434



PRESIDENTS CORNER:

Yesterday marked the end of this years tournament season, and once again the tournament went off without a hitch. First and foremost I want to say thank you to all of the fishermen for being so cooperative and working with us . Congratulations to all who did well throughout the year and condolences to those who weren't so lucky. I suspect that no matter how the fishing went, most of us had a good time and that's what it's really all about.

With the end of the tournament trail came the end results of the C-division, which determines four (4) members of the 2010 State Team. Congratulations for having a successful tournament year and good luck on Lake Champlain next year. The winners are: Boater - Joe Rackiewicz, Non-boaters - Fred Perry and Chris Blanc, and alternate Rich Schumacher. By virtue of his C-division first place finish Joe Rackiewicz is also the recipient of the "Maximum Performer Award". The prize for this award is a \$100.00 Walmart gift certificate donated by Castrol. Congratulations Joe on a job well done!

At this point I am sure everyone is aware that the Two-Day tournament to qualify next years (2010) State Team is going to be held on August 29 & 30 (first day on the river and second day on Candlewood). The pairings meeting will be on August 25th. For anyone who has never been on a State Team, there is no really good way to explain what a good time it is. Think about it, you get to spend six days just fishing. You get up in the morning, eat breakfast, grab your lunch and then just go fishing. At the end of the day you come back, have dinner, have a meeting with the other team members, get your gear ready for the next day and relax, In the morning you get up to do it all over. Does

it get any better than that? Oh Yeah! - if you are fortunate enough to finish as one of the top two fishermen from the State you get to

go onto the Nationals - where once again you get the royal treatment for several days of tournament fishing. Ask anyone who has been there - the Nationals are a great experience. Did I talk you into it yet? The cost is minimal (\$125.00) to fish the Two-Day and since we are such a small Federation you have relatively good odds of making the team. Many of the states have five to ten times the number of anglers competing to make it onto the team. Consider it - you probably fish open tournaments every summer with worse payouts and much worse odds. Enough said, hopefully we will see you at the pairings meeting.

Over the past few months I've talked about raising money for the organization. We (the Executive Board) are looking for any input that we can get. In the past we have had the luxury of spending monies which came in related to the Ranger sponsorship opportunities. These days, boat sales are down and we are not likely to see that kind of windfall again in the near future. I guess what I'm saying is that we have to come up with something new and different. We are looking at different Open Tournaments, but that is never going to be the entire answer, so if anyone has any thoughts - please talk to one of us about them.

As a final note, you may have noticed that the web site has been changing lately. With Lee's medical problems, Amy and I have taken it over (just while he gets better or until someone takes it. If you think of any changes which will make it better let us know, and we'll try to accommodate.

Stay Safe and I'll See You On The Water!

Fred

July Summer Sizzler was held on July 11th

It was the third TBF Open for 2009 and it went off without a hitch. A good time with some tough fishing and smoothly run by the State Team. Congratulations to Daryl Biron and Al Gambardella for their stellar performance. Art Rife and Marc Condrón took 2nd place. Marc is the only competitor to take a check twice this season in our opens... Congrats Marc!

Many thanks to Andy Vallombroso of Andy's Custom Lures for the jigs he gave away to the anglers and to Bill Decoteau for his help at the weigh-in. Even though Rich Baker couldn't make the open, he sent a few Jersey Boats to fish with us - thanks Rich.

At the weigh in we had two state DEP workers measuring our fish for a state survey. Tyler Kosiba and Ryan Sievel took the fish after they were weighed in and put them in a holding tank at the lake shore. Then they took each one to measure it's length and took scale samples.

Our last open for the Season will be October 10th from 8am to 4pm on Candlewood. We hope to see you there for some GREAT fall fishing.

Team	Team	Largemouth	Smallmouth	Lunker	Total Weight
Daryl Biron	Al Gambardella	6	2	5.78	23.79
Art Rife	Marc Condrón	7	1	3.46	19.30
Jeff Misaiko	Steven Misaiko	7	1	4.48	19.02
Andy Vallombroso	Bill Decoteau	4	4	5.20	17.44
Scott Janus	John Horbal	0	8	4.78	15.68
Mike Agranoff	Joe Cusato	5	2	2.99	13.33
Mike Kane	Jim Canning	5	3	2.29	13.31
John Gillies	Chris Blanc	6	1	3.10	12.62
Joe Neumuller	Mike Iovino	3	2	2.98	9.39
Keith Cleary	Daniel Golding	3	1	4.06	8.71
Eddy Ravetto	Colby Ravetto	3	1	2.81	6.77
Art Singer	Jerry Hammond				did not weigh

Final standings for TBF of CT - 2009 Tournament Trail

2009 TOURNAMENT STANDINGS - A DIVISION - YEAR END

NAME	PACHAUG	LILLI	ZOAR	CANDLE		TOTAL	DROP
JOE RACKIEWICZ	238	296	294	300	298	1426	1188
PETER BATES	300	220	298	286	290	1394	1174
FRED PERRY	294	294	288	276	294	1446	1170
CHRIS BLANC	0	300	290	294	282	1166	1166
GEORGE MULLEN	0	288	292	292	292	1164	1164
TROY DAMIANO	298	292	284	278	286	1160	1160
RICH SCHUMACHER	0	284	296	282	296	1158	1158
KEN BUGDEN	238	298	274	280	288	1140	1140
DOMINIC GAMBARDELLA	290	280	286	274	0	1130	1130
JIM CANNING	292	274	276	290	284	1124	1124
JEFF MISAIKO	238	282	300	296	232	1348	1116
DAVE PAPOOSHA	296	278	278	0	0	852	852
RICH BAKER	0	272	224	298	0	794	794
LEE JOHNSON	238	270	224	0	0	732	732
JIM MARENZANA	288	290	0	0	0	578	578
JOHN GILLIES	0	0	280	284	0	564	564
ART RIFE	0	276	0	288	300	864	864
JERRY HAMMOND	0	220	282	0	0	502	502
JOE VOERMAN	0	286	0	0	0	286	286

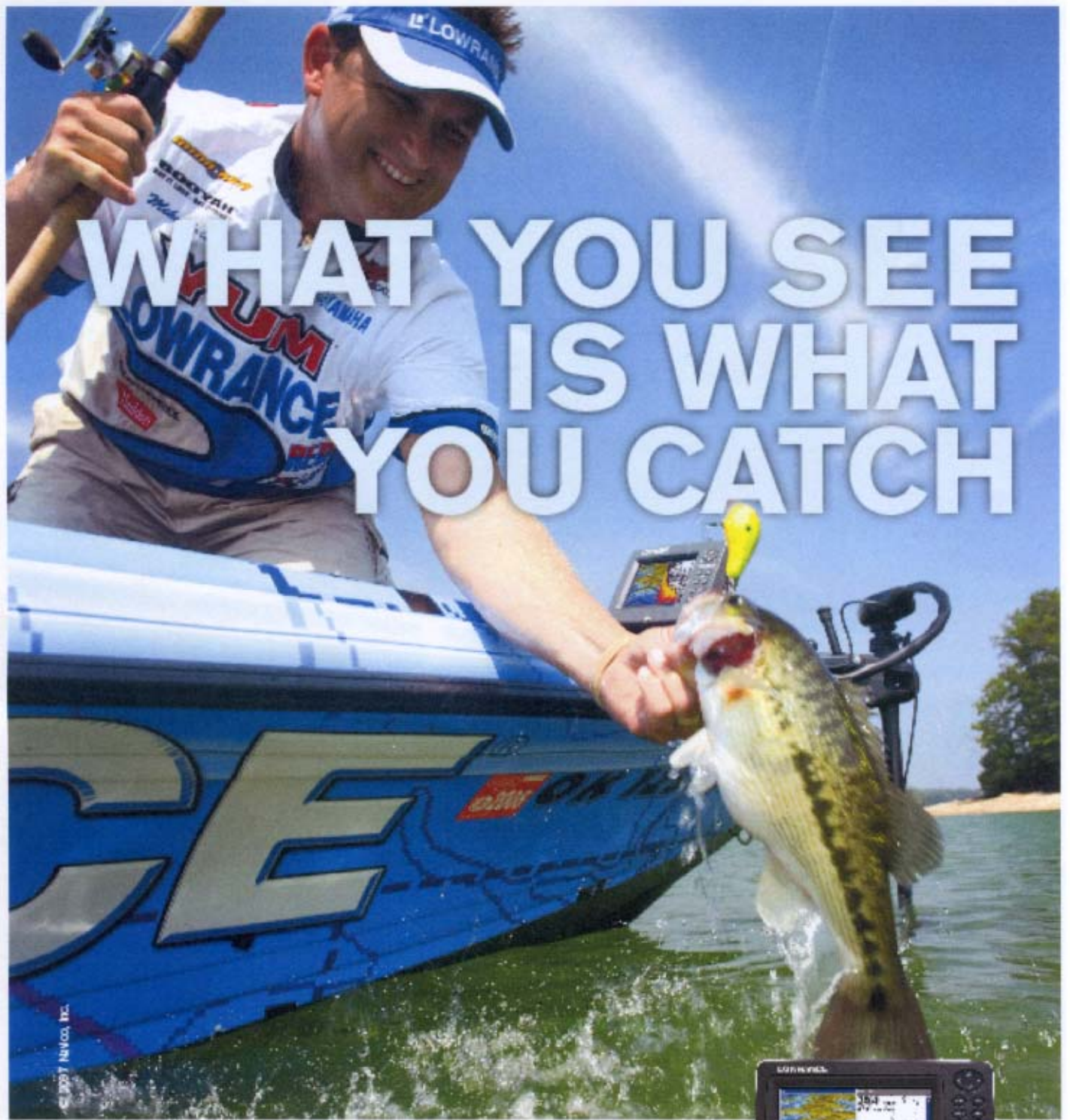
2009 TOURNAMENT STANDINGS - B DIVISION - YEAR END

NAME	PACHAUG	LILLI	ZOAR	CANDLE	RIVER	TOTAL	DROP
JOE SOCCI	298	0	298	294	298	1188	1188
JIM SHERMAN	286	296	280	288	292	1442	1162
CURTIS GRATSKY	294	0	290	276	286	1146	1146
GARY KURENSKY	234	300	286	298	232	1350	1118
LARRY MANSEY	290	0	292	296	232	1110	1110
TONY VAZQUEZ	234	230	294	286	296	1340	1110
AMY PERRY	234	298	296	280	232	1340	1108
KEN ROLLO	234	294	226	284	294	1332	1106
JERRY MARKS	234	286	226	292	290	1328	1102
JOHN HORBAL	234	290	278	290	232	1326	1092
ED PUCILLO	284	230	284	220	282	1300	1080
JOE CUSACK	300	230	276	272	0	1078	1078

RICH SUHIE	0	0	288	300	288	876	876
PAT HARRISON	292	282	0	282	0	856	856
ROD HURLBURT	0	280	300	274	0	854	854
ROB INGHILTARAH	288	0	282	0	284	854	854
FRANK RUSSO	234	284	0	0	300	818	818
JOHN LARSON	0	292	226	0	0	518	518
KEITH CLEARY	234	0	0	272	0	506	506
JIM SCHILKE	0	0	226	278	0	504	504
JOE MONTICCHIO	0	0	226	222	0	448	448
JERRY NYARADY	296	0	0	0	0	296	296
R. C. CARLSON	0	288	0	0	0	288	288
JON DINGLE	234	0	0	0	0	234	234
DOUG MARSHAL	234	0	0	0	0	234	234
MIKE ZENO	234	0	0	0	232	466	466
JOHN KESSLER	0	0	0	0	232	232	232

2009 TOURNAMENT STANDINGS - C DIVISION - YEAR END

NAME	PACHAUG	LILLI	ZOAR	CANDLE	RIVER	TOTAL	DROP
JOE RACKIEWICZ	446	496	496	500	498	2436	1990
FRED PERRY	498	492	488	480	494	2452	1972
CHRIS BLANC	0	500	490	496	484	1970	1970
RICH SCHUMACHER	446	486	498	488	498	2414	1968
GEORGE MULLEN	0	488	492	494	492	1966	1966
TROY DAMIANO	500	490	482	482	486	2440	1958
KEN BUGDEN	446	498	480	484	490	2398	1952
DOMINIC GAMBARDELLA	496	482	486	478	0	1942	1942
AMY PERRY	446	494	494	486	434	2354	1920
JEFF MISAICO	0	484	500	498	434	1916	1916
TONY VAZQUEZ	446	428	484	490	488	2354	1908
ART RIFE	0	480	0	492	500	1472	1472
LEE JOHNSON	446	478	430	0	0	1354	1354

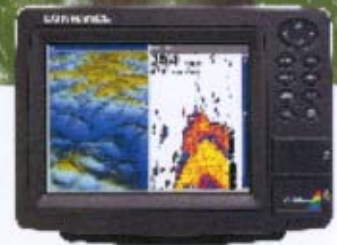


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(Please state your name and club in the e-mail)

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