

TBF of Connecticut

The Bass Federation of Connecticut

***** January 2010 Monthly Newsletter *****

We have TWO fishing shows coming up in the near future.....

Dodge Hunting & Fishing Show

February 26th to 28th

(8am to 5pm)

and the Captains weekend at Cabela's

March 6th & 7th

(Fri 12-8pm; Sat 10-8pm; Sun 10-5pm)

We will be signing members up to work these two shows starting at the TBF monthly meeting this Thursday January 21st in Milford.

**e-mail Amy at fram4tbf@sbcglobal.net
to sign up.**

Meeting Minutes for December 17, 2009

Meeting was called to order by the President at 7:12 pm

All clubs were present.

Minutes were approved as published.

Financial:

Financial report was reported and accepted.

Tournament Trail:

Larry Mansy stated that the permit for Congamond is on its way.

Youth: To the board of directors – Joe R. will not be running for youth director. Joe will turn over all paperwork to Rich Schumacher
Joe reminded everyone that we need 6 members to form a team.

State Team: The next State team meeting will be scheduled after the New Year.

Environmental

No report

Website

Website is being updated and cleaned up

Motion to accept the committee reports

Motion with 2nd - Passed

Old Business

Outstanding receipts from 2 team members are still an issue.

Jackets and shirts for the qualifying youths have been ordered.

We still have Solarbat sunglasses and 1 H2O I finder.
Yamalube order is in.

New Business

The fishing show is February 26, 27 & 28. Anyone interested in working the show can contact either Fred or Amy Perry.

Lee Johnson will no longer be our Environmental Director

Voting of By-laws and officers took place. The Secretary cast 1 vote for each of the offices that had only 1 candidate (President – Fred Perry, Treasurer – Rich Suhie, Secretary – Amy Perry and Youth Director – Rich Schumacher).

For the office of Vice President the final vote is as follows:

Jim Marenzana – 10, Curtis Gratsky – 5

The final votes on the proposed bylaws are as listed:

Proposal # 1 – passed

Proposal # 2 – failed

Proposal # 3 – passed

Proposal # 4 – passed

Proposal # 5 – failed

Proposal # 6 – passed

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Jim Marenzana

Secretary

TBF of CT.

TBF of CT 2010 Tournament Trail

April 18th, Sunday -Lake Lillinonah
Steele Bridge

May 8th, Saturday - Lake Zoar
State Ramp

June 6th, Sunday - Ct. River
Haddam Meadows

July 10th, Saturday - Candlewood Lake
Squantz Pond

TWO DAY

Day 1 - Ct. River - Haddam
Meadows

Day 2 - Candlewood Lake - Squantz

*All Tournaments are from
7am to 3pm.*

Opens set so far.....

*May 22 - Candlewood
Lake - Lattins*

*June 13 - Candlewood
Lake - Squantz*

*July 17 - Ct. River -
Salmon River*

*Oct 16 - Candlewood Lake
Squantz*

President's Corner

Hello everyone and welcome to the new year - including the snow and deep freeze that we're all dealing with.

Last month I touched briefly on some of my goals for the Federation over the upcoming months, so now I guess that it's time to start working toward some of them. I would like to start by working to get some additional sponsorship for our tournament trail(s), our opens and our general membership. Obviously we cannot go forth and find sponsors who are in competition with those of the national T.B.F., but we can entertain those who are not in competition. To that end I would like to find a volunteer who is more suited to deal with these people than I am (probably a professional salesperson). I and the Executive Board will do all that we can to help at any level, and the Board of Directors will make any final decisions as to what we can offer in return for any sponsorships. At the same time I would like to request that anyone who has any contacts or reasonable ideas for sponsors contact us so that we can follow up with them.

The next thing on the list is to start a membership drive. I know we've all heard this in the past, but it's time to really give it an honest shot. To that end, I am looking for people to post on any of the other websites letting people know who and what we are. Obviously I am talking about the open sites that promote tournament and recreational fishing throughout the state. Keep in mind that we are not trying to *steal* members, but are trying to give them other options to fish tournaments and belong to an organization that also provides opportunities to move forward (Regionals, Nationals etc.) along with insurance and other perks.

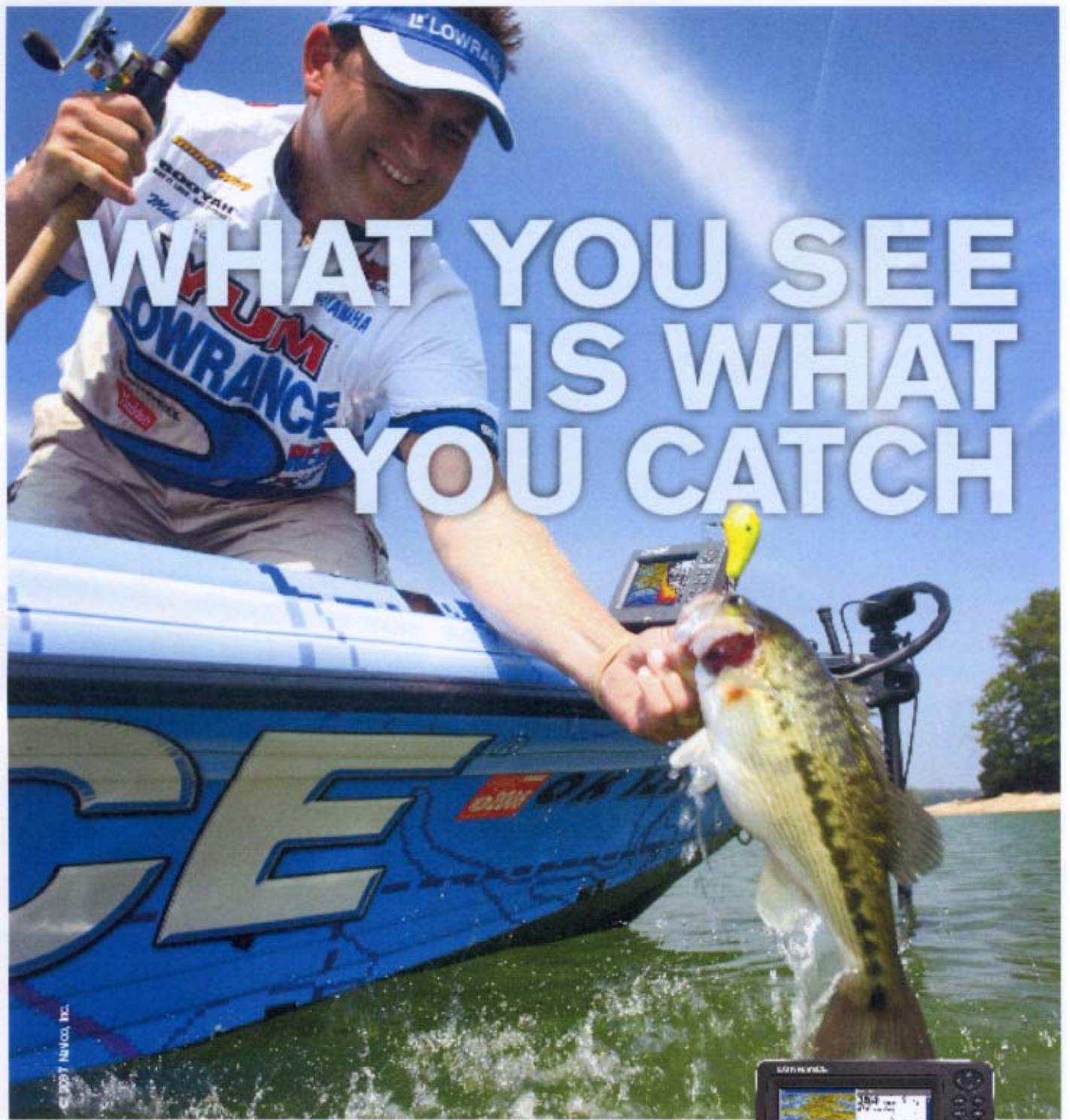
I mentioned last month, the possibility of running a separate partners trail for anyone

who may be interested. It was my intent to bring it up at the last meeting, but everyone was anxious to get out, and since it was around the holidays, I figured it could wait. At the next meeting, I will bring it up, so if anyone has interest in participating in a tournament of this type please come prepared with any ideas and thoughts that we can use to go forward with it. Remember we want this organization to be a positive experience for all of our members, so it makes sense to be as open to suggestion as possible.

I also mentioned last month that we would be putting information on the website to explain exactly who and what we are all about. Unfortunately my computer has been down for a couple of weeks - no internet capabilities, so I have yet to put anything up. Obviously the computer has been fixed now, so very shortly the first installment will be on our website.

One last thing that I want to mention before closing. We all know that Chris Blanc had to step down from his office as Vice President prior to the end of the term. I want to thank Chris for all of his help and the time that he devoted to help move the Federation forward. It is indeed a thankless job and we should all recognize the work that he did. Chris could've just continued in the position and done nothing for the next year, but he thought it better that someone who could spend the necessary time and energies fill the position. Once again Chris, Thanks - we really do appreciate.

Happy New Year and stay safe - Fred

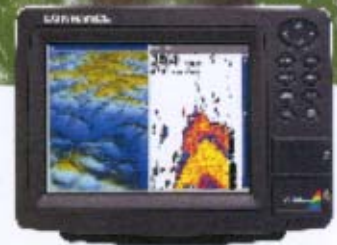


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(Please state your name and club in the e-mail)

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