

TBF of Connecticut

The Bass Federation of Connecticut

***** *March 2010 Monthly Newsletter* *****



The Hartford Fishing Show was a great success....

We spent three days telling people about the TBF of CT and gave away quite a few open applications.

TBF of CT Minutes from the February 17, 2010 monthly meeting.

Present were: Bass Finn Addicts; Midstate; Bass Hunters; Bio Bass; Southeast Bass.

Minutes: Jerry Marks - motioned; Dom Gambardella - second. Passed as written.

Treasurer's Report: There are a few questions about current rosters; Amy and Rich will get together to get it straightened out. Jim Marenzana has given Bill Decoteau's receipts from the Divisional and has yet to turn them in.

Tournament Report: Tournament Director was not present. There was a brief discussion about tournament rules. Larry will be holding a tournament committee meeting before the next meeting. If you have any proposed tournament rule changes you want to propose - you need to get them to Larry.

OLD BUSINESS:

Rich Schumacher has proposed a change in the C Division qualifying for the state team. It includes the same number of slots - 4; but finishing in a different order on the team. (See the proposal in the newsletter.)

There is still one H2O available, give Fred a call if you are interested.

Audit is still outstanding.

Fishing Show coming up in Hartford. Parking will be available in the parking garage attached to the Convention Center. Amy will e-mail the directions. We will have copies of the four Opens and a general write-up about TBF of CT to hand out.

Sponsors: National TBF is still working on finalizing the National Sponsor Roster. Wal-Mart and Castrol are no longer. Shakespeare is looking to expand the youth program.

NEW BUSINESS:

Lisa Johnson, a rep for the Hotels in Bethel-Brookfield has contacted us about offers the motels have available for anglers. They are encouraging anglers to stay at their motels.

Respectfully Submitted,
Amy Perry TBF of CT Secretary

PRESIDENTS CORNER

Hi everyone and welcome to spring (fishing time) in Connecticut. Daylight Savings Time starts in a few days and that usually means it's time to get on the water around here. Some of us do the ice-fishing thing, but it just doesn't compare to being out in the boat on soft water.

Before I forget, I want to thank each of the volunteers who came out and worked our booth at the fishing show and at the Cabela's show. Dominic Gambardella and his step-son Brandon, Jeff Misaiko, Jerry Hammond and Amy Perry all came out and worked both shows. Other members came out and worked one show or the other. I cannot express my gratitude for the help from each of the volunteers who came out. We had a number of people who said that they were really interested and planned to join us, so we'll see what comes of it. In any case we talked to a lot of people and handed out a lot of applications for our "open tournaments".

I have been told that our Vice-President, Jim Marenzana will not be able to continue to serve in that position. Jim has some issues that he has to deal with which will be taking his time for the near future. I have not spoken to Jim personally, but have been assured that this information is correct. If I get no other information prior to our March meeting, we will be accepting nominations for Vice-President to fill the term for the next two years. We will hold a special election at the May meeting to fill the void. For anyone who is interested, I ask only that you be seriously committed to help us move the Federation forward, and realize that there will be some work involved. Experience is not required.

We still are not sure of what will be happening over the next year when it comes to national sponsors, but from what we have been told Lowrance will be with us once again. All of the sponsor programs are finalized at the "Nationals" and from there I will be able to give everyone the details of our programs.

That's all that I have for now, so I won't waste any more of your time. Stay safe and I'll see ya on the water.

Fred



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The following is a proposed change in the placing of the C Division winners on the State Team

TBF OF CT STATE TEAM

Qualification

1. The top 4 members of the TBF tournament trail (C Division) will qualify for the State Team, with standings being based on 4 out of the 5 tournaments. These positions will consist of 1 boater position, 3 non-boater positions.
2. These positions will qualify as the number 1 boater, numbers 7, 11 and 12 as non-boater.
3. Should any of the 3 non-boaters wish to try to become boaters by fishing the 2-day they do not automatically relinquish their spot on the team as non-boaters.
4. If any of the 3 non-boaters wish to try to become boaters by fishing the 2-day they will be responsible for the full entry fee for the 2-day State Championship. If the non-boaters fishing the 2-day State Championship do not improve their position, they must pay the difference between the entry into “C” division and the entry fee of the 2-day qualifier in order to maintain their position earned from the trail (this payment only needs to be made if the non-boater does not improve their position by fishing the State Championship).

The remaining members of the team will be determined by the results of the 2-day State Championship. The top 5 finishers of the 2-day will occupy boater spots 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6; the non-boater spots will be occupied by finishers 6, 7, and 8, and the alternate positions will be finishers 9 and 10.

(Should any of the trail qualifiers improve their position by fishing the 2-day, the vacancy created shall be filled by results of the 2-day.)

State Team Position	State Championship Results	“C” Division Results
1		1
2	1	
3	2	
4	3	
5	4	
6	5	
7		2
8	6	
9	7	
10	8	
11		3
12		4
13	9	
14	10	

THIS WILL BE VOTED ON AT THE MARCH MEETING

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Tournament Trail Entry Form 2010

www.ct-tbf.com

___ A Division \$30.00 ___ B Division \$15.00 ___ Boater ___ Non Boater

___ April 18, Sunday Lake Lillinonah - Steele Bridge

Postmarked by April 8th 7am - 3pm

___ May 8, Saturday Lake Zoar - State Launch

Postmarked by April 28th 7am - 3pm

___ June 6, Sunday Ct. River - Haddam Meadows

Postmarked by May 27th 7am - 3pm

___ July 10, Saturday Lake Congamond - Southwick, Ma

Postmarked by June 30th 7am - 3pm

___ August 1, Sunday Candlewood Lake - Squantz Pond

Postmarked by July 22nd 7am - 3pm

Angler: _____ Club: _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: ___ Zip: _____ Cell Phone: _____

TBF#: _____ FLW#: _____ Boater's Certificate #: _____

Boat make & model: _____ Registration#: _____

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

Copy of Insurance: _____ **** Only have to supply insurance info with first tournament entry****

In consideration of being accepted in this tournament, the undersigned, agrees to comply with all event rules and State regulations. The participant(s) expressly assumes all risks associated with the event(s) and thereby releases & discharges The Bass Federation Inc., (TBF) it's parent, and affiliate companies, it's licensees and affiliates, including their state federations, and clubs, and all their respective officers, directors, agents, employees and stockholders, the tournament hosts, sponsors and tournament officials from all claims of death, injury and/or property damage incurred in conjunction with this/their event. I agree my picture and likeness can be used on the BTF website and in promotions for TBF of CT. All boaters must have current boat registration & a minimum of #300,000 liability insurance coverage. I have read and understand the 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 TBF of CT. I understand the application must be postmarked as stated above. **ALL TOURNAMENT ENTRIES MUST BE ON SEPARATE FORMS EVEN IF YOU ARE ENTERING ALL FIVE TOURNAMENTS. (Five entries - five applications) FILLED OUT COMPLETELY... NO EXCEPTIONS... OR THE WILL BE RETURNED.**

Angler's signature: _____ (Larry's cell (203-858-6690)

Mail to: Larry Mansy P.O. Box 21 Fairfield, Ct. 06824 make checks out to "TBF OF CT"

If you are entering as a club, have members fill out applications and send entry fees and applications to the Tournament Director in one packet. 50% of your club needs to fish to be able to be pre-paired as a club. Otherwise the Tournament Director will pair you at random and will post the pairings on the ct-tbf message board no less than 36 hours before a tournament.

If you are entering the "C" Division the \$75.00 entry fee must accompany your FIRST application of the tournament year. It should be a separate check payable to TBF of CT with C Division entry fee written in the memo area on the check.

Check # _____ Pre-paired with: _____



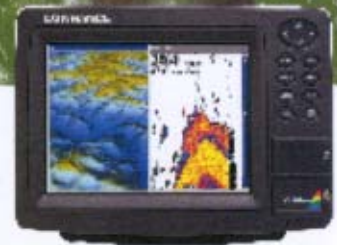
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Candlewood Spring Smallie Spectacular

Lattins Cove Ramp May 22, 2010 (Saturday) 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
TBF Open Rules apply - see back

75% Payout to 10% of the field

Make checks payable to: TBF of CT

e-mail: mongomadness@optonline.net

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Candlewood Spring Smallie Spectacular May 22, 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 June Bass Bonanza.

Boater: Non-Boater

Address: Address:

Town: Town:

State & zip: State & zip:

Phone: Phone:

Signature: Signature:

\$100.00 entry fee Optional lunker fee \$20.00 Amount enclosed:

Make & model of Boat: Length:

Boat Registration: H.P. rating H.P. on boat:

Entries to be postmarked by May 12, 2010 Sign up at the entry ramp with CASH.

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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.

TBF of CONNECTICUT Affiliated Clubs:

WEB SITE: ct-tbf.com

Bass Hunters

Jim Marenzana 54 Hobson Ave. Bristol, Ct. 06010 860-582-9730

Bio Bass Anglers

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Valley Bass Anglers

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TO ALL MEMBERS:

If you have an e-mail address and you are not getting notification of the Monthly Newsletter - PLEASE e-mail us fram4tbf@sbcglobal.net so we can get you on the list!

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