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***** September 2009 Monthly Newsletter *****

THE TBF of CT 2010 STATE TEAM

*Dominic Gambardella, Steve Bender,
John Gillies, Frank Zabski,
Jeff Misaiko, Joe Rackiewicz,
Jim Marenzana, Joe Socci, Ken Rollo,
Jerry Hammond, Fred Perry,
Chris Blanc, and Rich Schumacher.*
Congratulations Everyone!!

September's Board of Directors' meeting is a week early - it is September 10th in Milford.

TBF of CT Meeting Minutes of August 20, 2009

All clubs were present.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Payouts for one of the tournaments was wrong. Lunker was correct. Corrections are in the works. Dom Gambardella refused a refund for the Candy entry fee.

YOUTH:

The fourth youth tournament was held on Lilly on August 15th. The boat captains have not taken any of the gift cards this year. Dom G. suggested that we get gift cards from Cabela's.

Motion was made by Jim Sherman to accept the reports, second by Jim Canning. Passed.

NEW BUSINESS:

Newsletter will only be mailed to those that tell us they don't have internet access. A few names were given to the board. If any members knows of any member that needs to have a copy mailed to them, they need to call and leave a message at 860-663-5557.

Two day pairings will be held in Milford at 7:30pm on August 25th for the tournament that qualifies the 2010 State Team.

Joe Rackiewicz won the Castrol Maximum Performer Award. The four qualifiers from C Division for the 2010 State Team are Joe Rackiewicz, Fred Perry, Chris Blanc and Rich Schumacher. They need to pay the additional \$50.00 entry fee before the two-day.

If these qualifiers want to move up to be boaters (Fred, Chris & Rich) they can fish the two day, paying the fee of \$125.00. If they succeed in improving to be a boater, no additional spots will come from C Division.

Joe Rackiewicz made a motion to get a \$15.00 gift card for the last junior tournament on October 3rd. Amy seconded it and it passed.

Reel Kids kits are available from TBF Nationals. It

is a program for kids to learn casting and about fishing. We can schedule events for the coming year. Maybe in the spring at Cabela's.

Last Open on Candlewood is scheduled for October 10th. There was discussion on holding an open or two in November. When scheduling we need to take care to be aware of how much of the drawdown has taken place, to be sure that we can launch boats.

The fill in secretary cast one vote for Larry Mansy for the position of Tournament Director for 2010.

NEXT MEETING IS THE SECOND THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 10th IN MILFORD AT 7PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Amy Perry



**Joe Rackiewicz - The 2009
Castrol Maximum Performer
Award winner**



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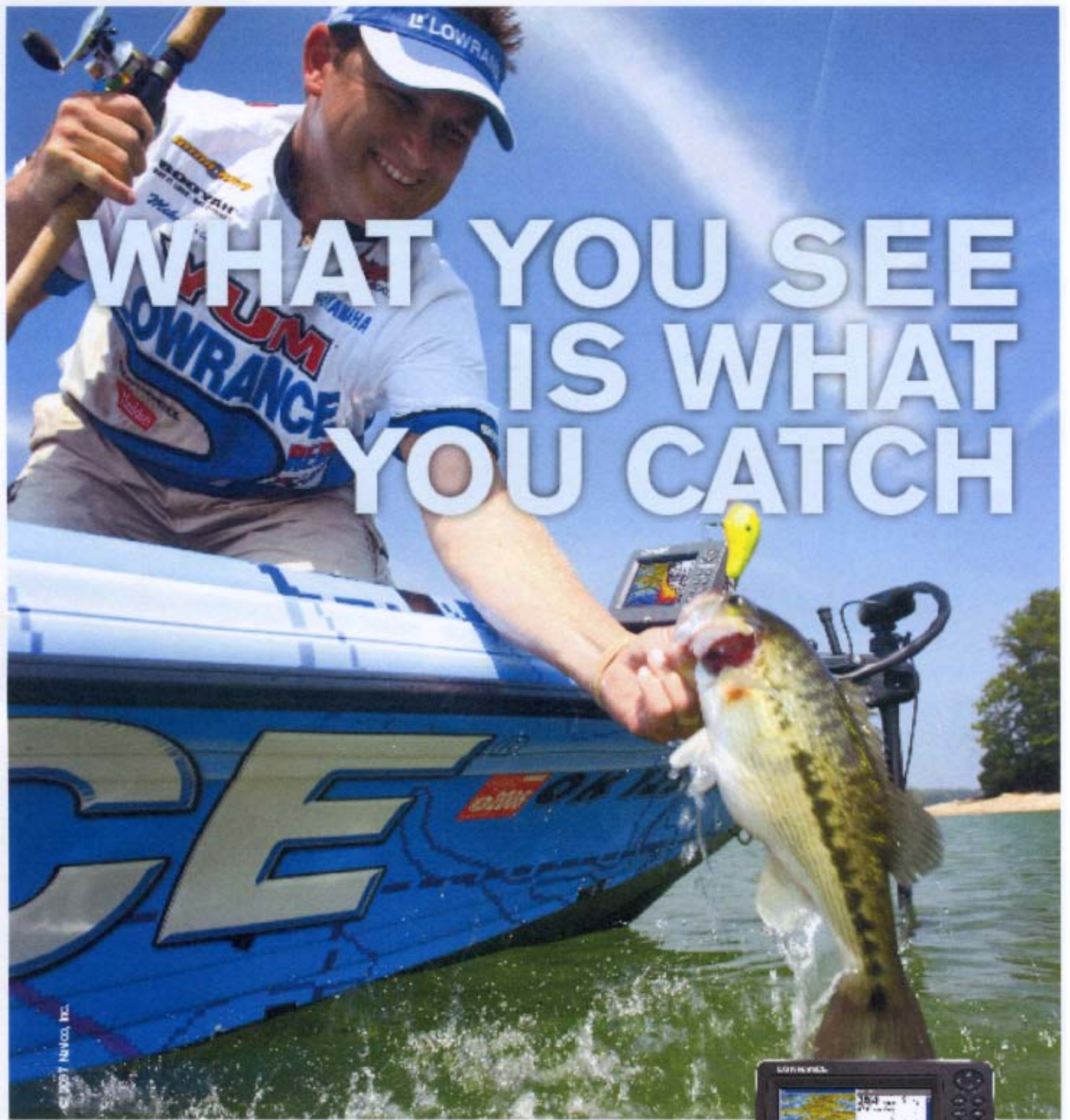
This past weekend we qualified next years (2010) State Team. Congratulations to Dominic Gambardella for once again finishing in first place at the Two-Day qualifier. This year, we again qualified a team which should represent us well when they get to next years Regional Tournament on Lake Champlain. While a number of the team members have been there before, we also have some new faces this year, and I trust that everyone will work well together. Congratulations to all who made the team, and thank you to all who came out and didn't fare so well.

We will be leaving in about a week to fish this year's Regional Tournament on Lake Champlain. Once again we will be doing the cooking at our accommodations. We were fortunate enough to find a place to stay with kitchen facilities and reasonable rates. While it saves us a lot of money it also is much more convenient for the team to be able to come back from fishing, and not have to go find a place to eat. You wouldn't believe how much time can be wasted, and it is much better used changing line, getting the next day's gear in order and sleeping. Anyone who has been on the team over the past two years can attest to the convenience, and I trust that this years team will feel the same.

You may have noticed from the last paragraph, a recurring theme to all of the Presidents Corner's over the past few months - fiscal responsibility. As much as I hate to harp on it, we have to find ways to help build up our treasury. There are a couple of things that we have to do if we intend to continue as an organization. First and foremost we have to attain and maintain credibility with the fishermen in the state. We do that by running a smooth trail and not getting caught up in the games that are often played between personalities and organizations. It serves us

no purpose to argue either within or outside of the organization. The second thing that we have to do is raise money within the organization, so that we can support our members needs, including the State Team. The State Team has been hosting "Open Tournaments" to help fund the trip and participation at the Eastern Divisional, but we have had very limited participation. No doubt, some part of this is due to the state of the economy, but another part of it is due to the aforementioned games. We have to rise above the games and the people who play them and promote our opens wherever we can. We have another "Open" coming up in October - so lets see if we can increase the participation. We (the Executive Board) have also talked of hosting some tournaments during the month of November (when the fishing is great) on Candlewood. What all of us have to realize is that these tournaments are for the good of the entire organization since they are putting monies into the general treasury. Please come out and support them and more importantly help get other people out to support them. I guess that's enough of the money stuff for this month!

One other thing that I want to touch on briefly: In April we passed a By-Law that required all dues (next years) be paid before December 1. This includes TBF state, TBF national, and FLW dues. If these dues are not paid, you will not be allowed to vote in the upcoming elections or for any By-Law changes. We will need something to prove that FLW dues are paid thru the end of 2010 to be in good standing. I know that it is only the beginning of September, but the earlier that it's dealt with the easier it is. Enough said! Keep on fishing and stay safe - Fred



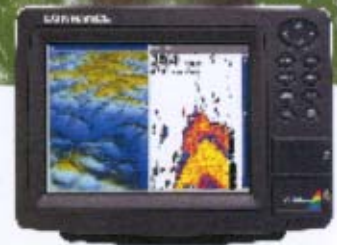
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2009 - 2 - DAY TOURNEY CT RIVER (DAY 1)

NAME	# FISH	LUNKER	TOT. WT.	ADJ. WT	FINISH	POINTS
Rich Baker	1	1.8	1.8	1.8	19	264
Steve Bender	5	2.85	8.87	8.87	3	296
Ken Bugden	3	2.59	5.31	5.31	8	286
Jim Canning	3	3.37	6.16	6.16	6	290
Keith Cleary	2	3.09	4.62	4.62	12	278
Bill Decoteau	0	0	0	0	20	214
Dominic Gambardella	5	4.56	10.47	10.47	2	298
Curtis Grasty	1	1.91	1.91	1.91	18	266
John Gillies	5	2.77	7.37	7.37	5	292
Jerry Hammond	2	3.92	5.23	5.23	9	284
Lee Johnson	1	2.41	2.41	2.41	17	268
Larry Mansy	3	1.89	3.63	3.63	14	274
Jim Marenzana	3	3.18	4.67	4.67	11	280
Jeff Misaiko	5	3.37	10.7	10.7	1	300
Amy Perry	1	2.84	2.84	2.84	16	270
Fred Perry	2	2.24	3.26	3.26	15	272
Ken Rollo	4	2.35	5.56	5.56	7	288
Rich Schumacher	2	3.13	3.97	3.97	13	276
Joe Socci	4	2.67	5.42	5.17	10	282
Frank Zabski	5	3.44	8.29	8.29	4	294

2009 - 2 - DAY TOURNEY CANDLEWOOD (DAY 2)

NAME	# FISH	LUNKER	TOT. WT.	ADJ. WT.	FINISH	POINTS
Rich Baker	DQ	0	0	0	20	214
Steve Bender	5	5.89	16.48	16.48	2	298
Ken Bugden	5	4.1	8.1	6.1	17	268
Jim Canning	5	3.61	8.96	8.96	11	280
Keith Cleary	5	2.58	8.15	8.15	12	278
Bill Decoteau	1	2.88	2.88	2.88	19	264
Dominic Gambardella	5	4.74	16.59	16.59	1	300
Curtis Grasty	5	2.76	6.78	6.78	16	270
John Gillies	5	4.17	14.12	14.12	3	296
Jerry Hammond	5	4	11.75	11.75	7	288
Lee Johnson	4	4.66	9.4	9.4	10	282
Larry Mansy	5	3.76	9.9	9.9	8	286
Jim Marenzana	5	5.74	13.89	13.64	4	294
Jeff Misaiko	4	3.12	7.35	7.35	14	274
Amy Perry	4	3.12	7.71	7.71	13	276
Fred Perry	3	4.01	7.13	7.13	15	272
Ken Rollo	5	2.96	9.63	9.63	9	284

Rich Schumacher	2	4.08	5.53	5.53	18	266
Joe Socci	5	4.43	12.43	12.43	6	290
Frank Zabski	5	4.57	12.79	12.54	5	292

2009 -2 - DAY TOURNEY - FINAL STANDINGS

NAME	# FISH	LUNKER	DAY 1	DAY 2	TOTAL	FINISH
Rich Baker	1	1.8	264			
Steve Bender	10	5.89	296	298	594	2
Ken Bugden	8	4.1	286	268	554	13
Jim Canning	8	3.61	290	280	570	10
Keith Cleary	7	3.09	278	278	556	12
Bill Decoteau	1	2.88	214	264	478	19
Dominic Gambardella	10	4.74	298	300	598	1
Curtis Graasty	5	2.76	266	270	536	18
John Gillies	10	4.17	292	296	588	3
Jerry Hammond	7	4	284	288	572	9
Lee Johnson	5	4.66	268	282	550	14
Larry Mansy	8	3.76	274	286	560	11
Jim Marenzana	8	5.74	280	294	574	6
Jeff Misaiko	9	3.37	300	274	574	5
Amy Perry	5	3.12	270	276	546	15
Fred Perry	5	4.01	272	272	544	16
Ken Rollo	9	2.96	288	284	572	8
Rich Schumacher	4	4.08	276	266	542	17
Joe Socci	9	4.43	282	290	572	7
Frank Zabski	10	4.57	294	292	586	4

All ties for final points are broken - first by total number of fish for both days, second by biggest fish of either day and third by coin flip.

Sixth place, eleventh place, twelfth place and first alternate position were determined by C-division standings for the year.

The 2010 State Team in order of finish are:

Dominic Gambardella	Boater
Steve Bender	Boater
John Gillies	Boater
Frank Zabski	Boater
Jeff Misaiko	Boater
Joe Rackiewicz	Boater

Jim Marenzana	Alt. Boater
Joe Socci	Non-Boater
Ken Rollo	Non-Boater
Jerry Hammond	Non-boater
Fred Perry	Non-Boater
Chris Blanc	Non-Boater
Rich Schumacher	1st Alternate
Jim Canning	2nd Alternate
Larry Mansy	3rd Alternate
Keith Cleary	4th Alternate
Ken Bugden	5th Alternate

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