



## April 23rd, 2009 Sportsmen Bassmasters Meeting Minutes



### Members Present:

Jim Battin	<del>Mickey Goetting</del>	Howard Gilles
Paul Becka	Ron Grav	Dave Phelps
Craig Belbeck	Eric Hauge	Dale Richardson
<del>Jim Boettcher</del>		Bill Rineveld
<del>Dan Bonneson</del>	Matt Hitzeman	<del>Brent Schwab</del>
Mike Breuer	<del>Dave Huttner</del>	<del>Craig Strom</del>
Mike Burcusa	Doug Thies	Mike Owens
Mike D'Aloia	Carey Nordling	Bill Young
<del>Chris Glaze</del>	John Nugent	

### President's Report (Dale Richardson):

- Guests: Bob Polinder, Karen Larson
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### VP's / TD's Report (Craig Belbeck):

- Permits have been received for Green & N/S Center
- Launch for the Chetek tournament will be at 6:00 am from the ramp near the resort. Dale's note; Checking the resort website, it is **not** located where we were shown at the club meeting. Go to their website to make sure you know the location if you're not staying at the resort. Their directions say 3 miles north of the town of Chetek on highway "M".
- Lynda's Lakeshore Resort, 1017 24 ½ St, Chetek WI, 54728. Phone 715-859-2916. Website is <http://www.lakeshorechetek.com/about.htm>
- Chetek tournament will be "paper" using the Official Sportsmen length/weight tables. 12" minimum length rounded down to nearest mark. Craig will bring paperwork for everyone. The other angler must verify the length.

- Measure the fish with the mouth closed and tail pinched closed
- Boaters, make sure you bring a ruler. If yours doesn't have 1/8" calibrations, get it to Dale and he'll mark it for you.

## **Secretary/Treasurer's Report (Dave Huttner): Not present**

- Current balance is \$
- Current paid membership stands at\_\_\_\_\_.
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## **Internet Director (Mickey Goetting) (not present):**

- Mickey phoned Bill to relay his report.
- If you are going to purchase anything from Bass Pro Shops or Amazon.com, make sure to go through the links on our website. We get a kickback from every order. Usually it is enough to pay for the annual website costs.
- MG Lures is offering a one-time 20% discount on your first order.
- Mickey will be placing an order from Brovarney Baits at 20% discount. See [www.brovarneybaits.com](http://www.brovarneybaits.com) and contact him to get in on the order.

## **Special Projects (Mike Burcusa):**

- Mike is working on the family picnic day? Bill will be providing information.
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## **Data Director (Mickey Goetting): Not present**

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## **Federation Rep (Paul Becka):**

- Looking for volunteers for JR TOC on Waconia, tourney 26<sup>th</sup> of June. See the Federation website for information and forms.
- BASS will probably be increasing the annual dues by \$5-10.

- Membership is low this year so the TOC percentage might be as high as 60%.
- A resolution was passed allowing the Board of Directors to spend up to \$2,000 for an insurance policy giving us the required coverage for Minnetonka.
- Boats launching from public landings (at the TOC) will have to be inspected for exotic species. Most likely local boy scouts will be doing it.
- Speed limit on the River (at the TOC) will be 35 mph.
- Our East Region Director, John Murphy has resigned. Jim Battin is stepping up temporarily to fill his shoes until a replacement can be found.
- Mickey has received a PowerPoint presentation from the DNR showing the results of the Creel Survey data. They are willing to do a presentation to the Federation and/or our club.
- We can get a 30% discount on Berlkey products from their website.
- Dave Huttner won the Skeeter bidding war. Congratulations!
- Vern Wagner is working with a political group to get the DNR to change the permit requirements for tournament.
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### **Education (Mike Burcusa):**

- Craig Belbeck did a very thorough review of the Tournament Rules.
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### **Conservation Director (Matt H.)**

- We will continue our practice of doing a ramp clean-up following each tournament this year. Everyone except the Tournament Committee (who'll be tearing down the equipment) needs to pitch in and help with the clean-up.
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### **Youth Director (Brent S.): Not Present.**

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### **Old Business:**

- Lake Marion club tournament. After much discussion, the club voted to put Lake Marion back on the schedule. Paying the \$75 permit fee is still a lot cheaper than another road trip or an hour drive to another lake.

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**New Business:**

- None

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**Chetek Pairings: Doug Thies - Involuntary non-boater**

**Boater**

- Ron Grav
- Craig S.
- Bill Young
- Dave Phelps
- Paul Becka
- Matt Hitezman
- Mike D'Aloia
- Dale Richardson
- Jim Battin
- Dan Bonneson
- Mike Breuer

**Non-Boater**

- Brent Schwab
- Howard Gilles
- Carey Nordling
- Eric Hauge
- Mike Burcusa
- Chris Glaze
- Doug Thies
- Craig Belbeck
- Dave Huttner
- John Nugent
- Mike Owens

**Next Meeting: May 28th. 7:00 pm, David Fongs.**