



July 24th, 2008
Sportsmen Bassmasters
Meeting Minutes



Members Present:

Jim Battin

Paul Becka

Craig Belbeck

Mike Bercusa

Jim Boettcher

~~Dan Bonneson~~

Mike Breuer

~~Chris Glaze~~

Mickey Goetting

Ron Grav

Rory Gunderson

~~Eric Hauge~~

Rick Hill

Matt Hitzeman

Dave Huttner

Todd Martin

Carey Nordling

Jon Nugent

Mike Owens

Zach Ramlow

Dale Richardson

Bill Rineveld

~~Dave Saterbak~~

~~Todd Saterbak~~

Brent Schwab

~~Craig Strom~~

~~Doug Thies~~

~~Bill Young~~

Guest(s). Former member Mike McDonough.

President's Report (Dale R.):

- Thanks to Mike Bercusa for stepping up to run the Clearwater Tournament.
- Congratulations to Chris Glaze on the tournament win.
- Family Fun Day is cancelled.

VP's / TD's Report (Craig B.):

- Mystery tournament waters are Big Marine, Bald Eagle, and White Bear. They will be off limits following the August meeting.

Pokegama Tournament Pairings & Ease-Off Order

Tournament Date: August 17, 2008

Check-In Time: 5:30 am

Weigh-In Time: 2:00 pm

Ease-Off Time: 6:00 am
main lake.

Launch: Public ramp on East side of

	Boater	Non-Boater
1	Bill Young	Mike Burcusa
2	Paul Becka	Craig Belbeck
3	Matt Hitzeman	Mickey Goetting
4	Jim Battin	Zach Ramlow
5	Doug Thies	Eric Hauge
6	Craig Strom	
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Involuntary Non-Boaters: None this time

Secretary/Treasurer's Report (Dan B.):

- Dan was not at the meeting.
- Current balance is \$1,798.63. The club still owes Craig Belbeck \$130 plus the amount for the Mystery tournament plaques.
- Zach Ramlow will contact Dan directly and pay his pro-rated dues of \$94.

Internet Director (Mickey G.):

- We recently received \$30.83 from Bass Pro Shops for purchases bought using the link from our website.

Special Projects (Jim B.):

- Nothing to report

Data Director (Mickey G.):

- Updated roster has been sent out to everyone.

Federation Rep (Paul B.):

- Paul attended the Jr. TOC at Serpent lake. Lots of big fish were caught and the tournament was called early due to storms. He reported great enthusiasm from the kids participating and strongly recommends others to step up and volunteer in the future.

Education (Todd M.):

- Recap of the Clearwater tournament was held. Summary to follow.

Conservation Director (Matt H.):

- Matt briefed the club on the "Adopt a River" project. Basically it is a program that lets organizations apply for conservation/cleanup projects. We would be committed for a two year period. Discussion focused on what sorts of things we might want to get involved in. Most members were in favor of picking a launch area at convenient lake. We could have a "fun" tournament (or club tournament) there and do an extra special job. In addition, members could individually clean up as they fished on recreation outings. There was some concern expressed that we don't want to commit to this sort of thing if the recent trend of apathy and non-participation from members continues. More discussion and a decision on this will be held at the August meeting.

Youth Director (Brent S.)

- Nothing to report.

Old Business:

- State TOC.

- The club voted to increase the total contribution for TOC lodging to \$500. This will leave about \$100 per person attending.
- TOC paperwork was distributed and collected from Paul B, Jim Battin (may not be able to participate due to work schedule), Dale, Bill Rineveld, Mike Burcusa. Dale will forward these papers to Dan. Those others participating need to complete the paperwork and get it to Dan in the next few days so he can forward the entire packet to the Tournament Director by the deadline of August 15th. Mike Breuer (alternate) is waiting until August 12th to see if he qualifies from his other club before committing to Sportsmen. If he doesn't participate from Sportsmen, we will have to work some other arrangements for an alternate/worker.
- Shirts & Jackets: Todd has checked around and can't get a discount on shirts and jackets due to the small number and different requests. If you are still interested, email him within the next week and he'll purchase them from Gander Mt (Dave's discount?) and send them off for embroidery.

New Business:

- There was much discussion on the lack of interest/participation from the club resulting in the cancellation of the Family Fun Day. Bill and Craig spent personal funds to obtain medallions and secure the pavilion for the barbeque. The club voted to reimburse them up to \$256 to cover their costs.

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