



October 22, 2009 Sportsmen Bassmasters Meeting Minutes



Members Present:

Terry Aten

Jim Battin

Paul Becka

Craig Belbeck

~~Jim Boettcher~~

Dan Bonneson

~~Mike Breuer~~

~~Mike Burcusa~~

~~Phil Burton~~

Mike D'Aloia

Howard Gilles

Chris Glaze

Mickey Goetting

~~Ron Gray~~

~~Eric Hauge~~

Matt Hitzeman

~~Jeff Hoberg~~

~~Dave Huttner~~

Tyler Larsen

~~Carey Nordling~~

John Nugent

~~Mike Owens~~

~~Dave Phelps~~

Dale Richardson

Bill Rineveld

~~Brent Schwab~~

~~Craig Strom~~

~~Doug Thies~~

Bill Young

President's Report (Dale Richardson):

- Guests: Joe Hausladen
- Congratulations to the "team" on the great victory over the Fat Belly Bassmasters at the Challenge Cup on Waconia.
- Congratulations to Brent on his win at Marion
- Congratulations to Dan on winning the 2009 Top Hook award.
- Chris Tope, a former Sportsmen member, lost his battle with ALS last Friday and the funeral was held on Monday. A card was circulated for signature and donations were collected and will be sent to his wife Jennifer and kids. He was a great guy and will be missed.

VP's / TD's Report (Craig Belbeck):

- Craig has everything set up on CD for the new Tournament Director so he doesn't have to start from scratch.

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

- Balance is \$760.86 at Wells.
- Current paid members stands at 29.
- Deposited \$10 hat purchase into account.
- Deposited Phil's \$45 with \$20 of that going to his Fed membership.
- Still need \$40 from Jeff H. for his club dues.
- I owe Brent a check for \$56 for his Big Bass on Marion. I can give this to him next meeting or mail it to him if he wants. Gratz Brent!
- **The 2010 season starts with the November meeting so bring your checkbooks to the next meeting.**

Internet Director (Mickey Goetting):

- Nothing to report on the website.

Special Projects (Bill Young):

- Banquet date is February 20, 2010 at David Fong's.
- Bill requests that the Sponsor letter be updated as soon as possible on the website so members can download it and get moving on donation requests right away. He reminds everyone that most businesses like to have these requests in early (October/November) to be able to write stuff off for the year. Everyone get busy working on your contacts.
- Mickey will update the letter and get the spreadsheet of previous donators to Bill.

Data Director (Mickey Goetting):

- Stats have been updated
- Mickey reminds everyone that October is the end of our year statistically and if you have any issues with the numbers, get with him before the end of the month.
- If all goes well, Sportsmen will end up as the top club (of the 6 Federation clubs participating) in the DNR Data Collection program. As such, MG Lures will donate \$200 in product for our banquet raffle.

Federation Rep (Paul Becka):

- First meeting of the year was held last Saturday.

- Due to issues with the new scale, the weigh-in at the TOC was not "water" for the first time in several years. Fish mortality was only about 12 and average with years past. This especially good considering the warm weather and the large number of smallmouth brought in. As a result, we will probably continue to not use the water weigh-in in the future.
- The 2010 TOC will be on Minnetonka and the permit has been received.
 - Tournament will be out of Lord Fletchers
 - August 20th is the date for paperwork to be in and tournament waters "off limits" period begins.
- Casting Kids program is now being run through the Sportsmen's Alliance.
 - No advancement to higher levels
 - Paul Perovich (MN Fed Youth Director) has a bunch of equipment for CK events.
- The JR TOC for 2010 will most likely be held in the Crosby area.
 - Boaters will be needed
- Cabela's in Rodgers will be hosting a Bass weekend the weekend of April 10th. Volunteers are needed in all areas. Substantial discounts will be available to those who volunteer to help and run seminars. More info to follow.
- We will need to have at least 6 members signed up for the 2010 season to be considered active by the December meeting.

Education (Dave Huttner): Not present

- See the attachment for the Lake Marion recap.

Conservation Director (Matt H.):

- Nothing to report

Youth Director (Brent S.): Not present

Old Business:

- Bill presented a table to be used to determine new member dues for those joining from mid-year and later.
 - After much discussion, the anti BS rule was invoked and we'll pick this up at a later date.
- Officer elections:

- President - Jim Battin
- Vice President/Tournament Director - Mike D'Aloia
- Secretary/Treasurer - Dave Huttner
- Data Director - Mickey Goetting
- Federation Representative (two year term) - Bill Rineveld
- Education Director - Howard Gilles
- Conservation Director - Matt Hitzeman
- Youth Director - Brent Schwab
- Special Projects - Bill Young

New Business:

- Lake nominations for 2010
- May tournament
 - Pool 4 & 5
 - Okoboji
 - Pool 2
 - Chippewa Flowage
 - Balsam
 - Bone
- June, July, August, & October tournaments
 - Clearwater
 - Waconia
 - Vermillion
 - Saulk
 - Koronis
 - Horseshoe
 - Forest
 - E/W Rush
 - N/S Center
 - Le Homme Dieu
 - Minnewaska
 - Ida
 - White Bear
 - Medicine
 - Rice (near Koronis)
 - Sarah
- Mystery will be South for 2010
- Nominations will remain open and voting will be at the November meeting

Next Meeting: November 19th, 7:00 pm, David Fongs.