

# ALBANY AREA B.A.S.S. TIMES

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## 2001 Pike Tournament

Finish	Team	Weight	Lunker
1st	Charlie Curcurito-Joey Curcurito	24.94lbs.	
2nd	Greg Allen-Bob Simek Jr.	24.58lbs.	3.66-P
3rd	George Locke-Brady Moye	24.39lbs.	5.66-P
4th	Bill Swinton, Jr.-Al Dickinson	24.17lbs.	2.14-P
5th	Frank Maher-Mike Ellrott	24.00lbs.	5.37-P
6th	Al Maher-Leo Godin	22.74lbs.	
7th	Paul Pflieger-Wayne Price	22.67lbs.	8.25-P
8th	Rich Bishop-Frank Rosetti	22.58lbs.	3.26-W
9th	Jim Underhill-Donny VanTassel	22.52lbs.	3.16-P
10th	Tim Bantham-Bill LaRose	20.99lbs.	4.77-P

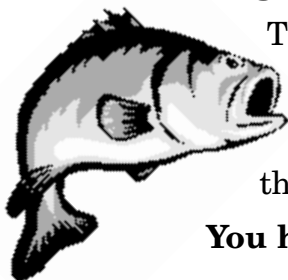
On Saturday May 5th we kicked off the season with our traditional Pike and Walleye tournament. As in almost every past pike tournament the weather played at least a small roll in the day. The launching of boats in the morning was made difficult by low lake levels, rain, and gusting winds. All of which contributed to the tournament starting and finishing a half hour later than originally planned.

Fortunately, conditions improved throughout the day and many teams weighed in impressive limits.

The weigh-in pick up where the launch left off with many boaters being unable to get their boats on their trailers. The boaters who found themselves in this predicament were forced to pull their boats out of the water at the state launch at the other end of the lake.

When the fish were finally brought to the scales, it turned out to be one of the closest finishes in club history. The top 5 teams were separated by less than one pound and there was under 3 pounds difference between 1st and 9th place.

### LAST CHANCE FOR LUNKER OF THE YEAR



The June meeting will be your last chance to enter the Lunker of the Year Pool. \$15 a person will insure you a payday should you be fortunate enough to boat the largest or second largest bass of 2001.

**You have to be in it to win it.**

## Kids Tournamnet

The Albany Area Bassmasters held its annual Kids Tournament on Saturday May 19th. The weather cooperated with light winds, a mix of sun and clouds and 70 degree temps by the weigh-in/cook out.

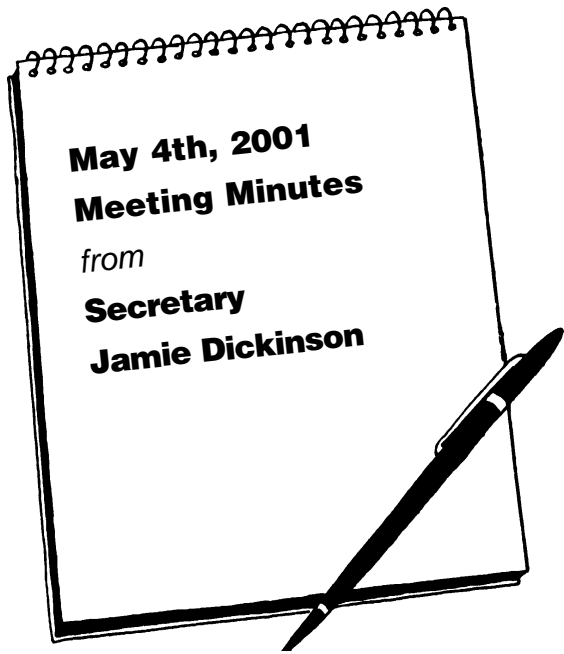
Fifteen members turned out with their boats and at least one young angler on board. Many club members and their wives also turned out to donate their time all of which helped make this a special day for the kids.

There were three age groups for the kids to compete in. 0-8/8-12/12-15. The club purchase trophies for 1st through 3rd in each weight group and goodie bags donated by Frank Maher were given to the 4th place anglers in each division.

There was a grab bag of lures and certificate of participation to ensure that every kid competing went home with something to remember the day by.

### INSURANCE CERTIFICATES

Remember... if you plan on being a boater this year you will need to have a current insurance certificate on record with the club. You need to get Bill Swinton, Jr. a copy before using your boat in any club event.



The meeting was called to order at 8:05 PM by President Tim Bantham

Officers Present: Tim Bantham, Bill Swinton Jr., Jamie Dickinson and Paul Pflieger.

Minutes from the April meeting were accepted as written by Wayne Price 2nd by Bill LaRose.

#### **Treasurer's Report - Paul Pflieger**

Paul reported that the Club has a balance of \$4290.27.

#### **Club News**

Charlie Curcurito read off all members that have entered the Lunker of the Year pool. Charlie also announced that you have to have to be paid up by the June meeting if you plan on entering.

Tim presented the club with our new club hats. The hats are available to club members for the low introductory price of \$8 each.

Tim reviewed the final details of the Kids Tournament. Bill Swinton added that the club had purchased trophies for the event and that they would be ready in time for the tournament. Bob Richards was kind enough to donate the hamburgers, hotdogs and their rolls. There was a motion for the club to use treasury funds to purchase soda by Bill Backus and it was seconded by Jim Underhill.

Tim they opened a discussion on moving the June meeting to Thursday night to accommodate the club members that would be traveling to Rouses Point the next day. After members expressed their opinions on the pros and cons of moving the meeting a show of hands was counted by the President. The members voted by a small margin to keep the meeting on Friday.

Tim informed the club that there had been a new development in the scale issue. The new scale that the club purchased does not weigh in half ounce increments when in the pounds and ounces mode. After examining all our options the club voted to send the old scale back and have it converted to hundredths of an ounce. Club tournaments will now be recorded in pounds and hundredths of an ounce readings.

Art Grant recapped the topics from the meeting he attended of the Saratoga Safety Task Force. This meeting was a public hearing with representatives from all the user groups. Most of the people at the meeting seem to be very concerned with sculling boats operating safely on the lake. The issue that would effect our use of the lake for tournaments most did not have much support.....the requiring of Regatta Permits for fishing tournaments. They did how ever express the need for keeping an open line of communication user groups and events that would be taking place on the lake. There will be further Safety meetings held this summer.

#### **Banquet Committee - Tony Curcurito**

Tony informed the club that we have a contract for 2001 Banquet which will be held on November 17th at the Days Inn in Albany. We also have a DJ locked in for that date.

#### **Technology Report - Greg Allen**

Greg read entries from the data collected by Mike Ellrott which has created a complete statistical history of our clubs results (in average weight) on any given body of water. This information has been posted on our clubs web site. The club gave both Greg and Mike a nice round of applause for all the work that went in creating this list.

## Membership Report - Joey Curcurito

Joey also reported that Bill Pigott was attending his fifth club function and would be voted on during the break. Joey also reported that Tom Haley, Bill and Jim Greeley were all attending their third club functions and Frank Rossetti was attended his forth.

**Break**  
(The club voted on and welcomed in Bill Pigott as the newest member of our club)

## Tournament Committee - Bill Swinton Jr.

Bill reviewed the rules of the Pike Tournament and the boat draw was completed.

50/50 was won by Paul Pflieger earning him \$31.

Motion to adjourn was made by Bill LaRose and seconded by Bill Pigott.

## A.A.B.M. TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE FOR 2001

### June 9th & 10th

Lake Champlain @ Rouses Point  
Bass (Points)

### \*June 24th(23rd-Practice)

Sacandaga Lake @ Launch TBA  
Bass (Points)

### July 7th & 8th

Lake Champlain @ Ticonderoga  
Bass (Points)

### July 28th

Cossayuna Lake @ State Ramp  
He/She (No Points)

### August 4th

Mohawk River @ Schoharie Crossing  
Bass (Points)

### September 8th

Lake Champlain @ South Bay  
Bass (Points)

### October 20th

Lake Bomoseen @ Edgewater  
Bass (Points)

### October 27th

TBA  
Partners

\*The week before this tournament will still be closed for practice.

## State Federation's 2001 Tournament Schedule

### 6-3-01

Partners - Candlewood Lake

### 6-17-01

Seneca Lake, Geneva, NY

### 7-22-01

Lake Champlain, Ticonderoga, NY

### 8-18&19-01

Club Team Event - Chautauqua Lake

### 9-16-01

Niagara River, Small Boat Harbor

### 10-14-01

Lake George, Silver Bay

## NOTICE TO NEW MEMBERS



All new members of the club should be aware of our weighmasters previous career before the tournament season begins. So when he tells you not to look over his shoulder during the weigh-in...he means it!

## SUGGESTED MOTELS FOR OUR CLUB TOURNAMENTS

Rouses' Point:	Anchorage, 164 Lake St., Rouses' Pt., NY 12979	518-297-4211
	Super 8 (Plattsburgh)	518-562-8888
Canadarago Lk:	Glimmerglass Hotel	315-858-2777
	Fountain View	315-858-1360
	Village Motel	315-858-1540
	Stoney Brook	315-858-9929
Ticonderoga	Circle Court	518-585-7660
	Super 8 (Ticonderoga)	518-585-2617
Lake Bomoseen	Edgewater	802-468-5251

# Meeting Reminder...

The next meeting of the Albany Area Bassmasters will be **Friday**, June 1st at the Watervliet K of C hall at 8:00 PM sharp.

Place  
Postage  
Here

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