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## GOT WIND?

Just in case you didn't get enough wave action on the last day of Rouses, we get to go back to the often rough waters of Oneida Lake. Tournament location will be at the Oneida Shores county park. Hours are 5:30AM - 1:30PM on July 31st and August 1st. Please note the hours. Jim Underhill was able to get us in there early, so please plan accordingly. Also, the first 3 boats from each day will be the "release" boats that day. Be at the meeting Friday, August 6th to find out if Bob Richard relinquished the title of Mr Oneida.

## THE FLEMMINGS WIN BIG

By nearly a five pound margin, Terry & Joanie Flemming won the annual Husband/Wife-Girlfriend/Boyfriend-blah, blah, blah, tournament. Their 6 fish limit weighed 15.04 pounds with Joanie adding a 2.25 largemouth. They also got \$100 for their efforts. Not to let the Flemmings have all the fun, the O'briens came in with 10.30 pounds with four fish. Mike had tournament lunker for the guys with a largemouth weighing 4.58 pounds. His wife Donna boated a smallmouth weighing 3.75 pounds which was good enough for lunker amongst the ladies. Their lunkers added an additional \$55 to their 2nd place prize of \$70. Bev and George Locke came in 3rd and picked up \$50. Their six fish weighed 9.69 pounds with Bev bringing in a 2.44 pound largemouth. There appeared to be no "skunkings" and the Dickinsons hosted a cookout after the weigh-in at their place where I'm sure Charlie blamed Sandy for him not being able to boat a lunker largemouth.

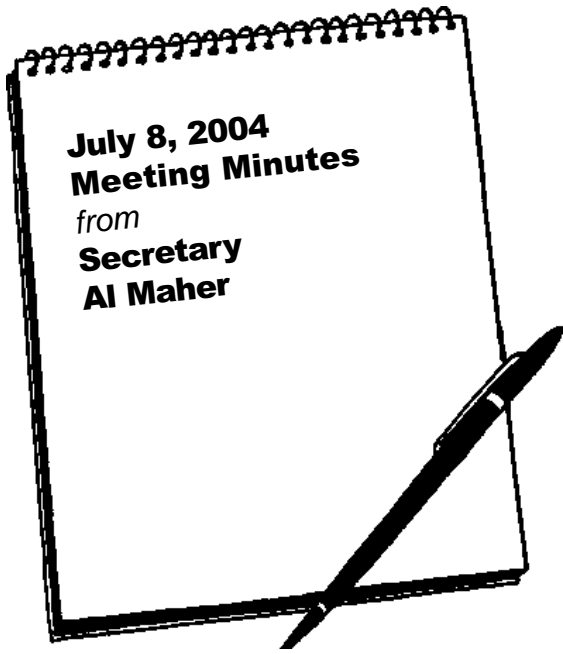
## TEAM BASS USA

Mike received an email from Joe Chillari who has formed a team tournament trail called Team Bass USA. This is a benefit tournament with the recipients being area (area of the tournament) childrens' hospitals. They had four tournaments scheduled for this year but two have already passed. These are their remaining events.

August 14, 2004 Lake Champlain, Ticonderoga NY  
September 11, 2004 Lake Wallenpaupauk, PA

If you are interested, you may visit their website for details at [www.teambass-usa.com](http://www.teambass-usa.com)

If you're looking for a place to stay near Schroon Lake, check out Lee's Corner Motel. I've never been there but the brochure looks nice enough for some tired fishermen. They're located on Rte9 in Pottersville. Ph# (518) 494-7678



The meeting was called to order at 8:00 PM by President Mike Ellrott.

Officers Present: Mike Ellrott, Jim Underhill, Alan Maher & Paul Pflieger.

Mike's opening remarks. Motion to accept the Minutes from the June 3rd meeting by Bill Larose, 2nd by Charlie Curcurito.

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

Checkbook balance is \$6,005.07.

#### **Conservation - Tom Haley**

Saratoga Springs appears to be eyeing the Hudson River for their water needs instead of Saratoga Lake.

#### **Safety - Tim Bantham**

Tim stressed the importance of knowing your map of Oneida Lake. The various shoals, small pin buoys and frequent rough water makes it challenging to navigate safely.

#### **Tournament Committee - Jim Underhill**

Boat draw for Oneida Lake.

Husband/Wife Tournament on July 17th, 6am - 1pm at the state launch on Cossayuna Lake. There is a 6 fish limit, \$20 entry fee, \$5 lunger for guys and gals. Al & Rose Dickinson invited everyone back to their place after the weigh-in.

#### **Federation Report - Mike Ellrott**

The State Federation had a tournament on Cayuga on June 20th. Frank Polomaine & Paul Pflieger were the only two participating from our club....they did not cash.

#### **New Business**

Mike received an email from a Joseph Chillari regarding a team trail that he and his wife formed to benefit area children's hospitals.

There is a benefit tournament on Cossayuna Lake on August 7th. So far, live bait is allowed and there are no written rules.

Don Vantassel fished the Mississippi River in Minnesota during our Rouses Point tournament. He filled us in on the conditions and how tough it was.

- FISH TALK -

Mike went over the tournament results for Rouses Point. We had a 2 pound average fish and 47 limits out of a possible 59. Tom Haley talked about how he went about winning the tournament.

Mike also went over the results from Sacandaga. Our average fish was 1.8 pounds. 22 anglers out of 37 brought in limits. Brady Moy gave a talk on his winning pattern.

Mike then read off the top 16 in the Bassman Standings.

**-10 Minute break-**

Oneida Lake boat draw. Tournament hours 5:30am to 1:30pm.

Mike read off some interesting stats. It took over 31 lbs to win in the past. Tournament lunker was a 5.58 pound largemouth and it took 24 pounds to cash.

There was one boat-to-boat draw each day. Greg Allen & Bill Pigott on Saturday and Tom Haley & Terry Flemming on Sunday.

50/50 raffle won by Bill Swinton Jr....\$31

Motion to adjourn by Tim Bantham, 2nd by Bill Larose.

# Meeting Reminder...

The next meeting of the Albany Area Bassmasters will be **Friday, August 6th.** at the Watervliet K of C hall at 8:00 PM sharp.

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