

## **CENTENNIAL BASS CLUB MEETING MINUTES    DECEMBER 2, 2025**

Call to Order: 6:18 at Main Event in Windsor (Donny Steckline, President)

New Members/Guests: Trish Dardano, guest

Secretary: November minutes were posted on CBC Website

Treasurer: CBC General Fund:\$6699.38 FMO: \$6363.63 JR Club: \$1499.84

Conservation/CAST: \$872.20 Venmo/Paypal: \$2010.76

CFO: Riley reported the only business was that he and others are working to wind up the profit/loss statement for 2025 Full Moon Open Fundraiser.

FMO: 2025 recapped, discussion of when next year's event may be scheduled (June 27,28 was preferred if Larimer County permits it. First actual meeting will be at 5:00 Jan. 6th

CAST: Jessica Barry and Jake Foos will take the lead on next year's event (June 6<sup>th</sup>).

Conservation: Ryan Dardano talked about the Horsetooth lean Up project which was a success. Bill W will join Ryan for the upcoming CPW Meeting at Scheels (Dec 9<sup>th</sup>).

Youth: Frank is working on 2026 Schedule

Ind. TD: Matt Carlson got the 2025 results to Perry for ordering trophies/plaques for everyone who earned one through the 2025 season. Matt will be leaving us this year and will be missed! OUTSTANDING job, Matt Carlson!! Discussion was held about bringing back the trout award for the biggest mishap in fishing the 2026 tournaments! Perry reported he had not heard from anyone who qualified for the Classic about Lake choices.

Team TD: Brett not present but Nate reported that two teams could go to Nationals. Motion to purchase for the Club a BUBBA Scale for weigh in tournaments and Perry said he had purchased one through a Black Friday deal.

CBN: SQT May 2-8, 2026, Tenkiller (no longer STQT) Boater Safety course will be mandatory for all CBN events.

CBC choices for CBN Officers: Pres. Brandon Genoa V .P. Howard Binkley Sec. Mike Scott, Treasurer Mike Rathe

Old Business: Waiver forms before we fish! Annual Dues are due! Discussion about website updates and both new members know someone who can help! Still need to update email list and who does that and FB page. Vote was taken for meeting venue and Main Event is where we will meet at next meeting (December 2<sup>nd</sup>). Club jerseys

were discussed and several said they are interested (Donny says he will check with Lori Punko).

New Business: Elections were held for 2026: V.P. Donny Steckline, Secretary Steve Zupparo, Treasurer: Nate Caldwell, CFO: Riley Hume, Youth Director: Frank Villa, Conservation Director: Ryan Dardano, Activities: Bill Wilson, Ind. Tournament Director: Joey Punko, Team T.D. Chris Hamilton! It was also suggested we appoint Vinny as Communications Officer and discuss making that position a Steering Committee Member and paying his dues in 2026. Motion was made to accept the new officers and appoint Vinny as the Communications Officer by Nate Caldwell, second by Ryan Dardano, PASSED.

Lake choices for 2026 tournaments were briefly discussed, but left up to a Tournament Committee to prepare a suggested schedule for next year at our next meeting. (Perry, Nate, Chris Hamilton, Ryan Dardano and Bill Wilson). Donny and Ryan brought up the idea of an Ice Fishing Derby this winter and Bill mentioned that Jake Foos will be presenting ice techniques at the January CBC meeting!

The Classic qualifiers (1-14<sup>th</sup> place and 2 alternates) will vote on the lake of their choice. ! Perry reported he had not heard from anyone who qualified for the Classic about Lake choices.

It was suggested that all of us use our sponsors for any winter repair projects on our boats and tow vehicles. Batteries Plus, Crowley Marine, Stitchmasters Upholstery (10 % off for winter special!

It was reported that we finally sold the P.A.system that the Club has owned for years. It will be time to replace with a new more portable system and Bill Wilson will research.

The discussion turned to participation in tournaments, Club meetings, and membership being down, Most agreed that communication was vital in all of these areas, thus the need for more frequent and thorough communication through social media and improving/updating our website. Nate commented that the State was addressing the same problems at that level. It was suggested that we start making a point to advertise the Club through the Scheels, new Bass Pro Shop, and Cabelas by setting up tables, bringing back the Casting Kids events, and really making ourselves more present at all the stores for recruitment. We also discussed ways we could make it a better environment for non-boaters to retain them in the Club.

Meeting adjourned at 8:35 with second winter raffle/door prizes!! Save your tickets for year end raffle in April!

Submitted by Bill Wilson