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NY BASS CHAPTER FEDERATION LAKE GEORGE TOURNAMENT RESULTS JUNE 21, 2009

June 21, 2009: The NY BASS Chapter Federation held their season opener on Lake George launching out of Mossy Point in Ticonderoga, NY.

The event drew 194 anglers paired as Boater and Co-Anglers to produce a tournament field of 97 boats. Launch began at 6 a.m. under partly cloudy skies with winds out of the N/NE at 5 mph and water temperatures in the 65-67 degree range. By the 3 p.m. weigh-in the wind picked up to 14-20 mph with gusts of light rain. During official practice, competitors experienced flat water and sunny skies with registration reports of solid fish located, but as expected conditions changed and those anglers that adapted to the changing weather conditions had the best results.

Boater Division:

Chris Brown of Rodman, NY, took first place with a mixed bag of large and smallmouth bass that weighed 14.02 lbs. Brown focused his efforts on the Northern end of the lake targeting rock piles, cribs and bedding fish in water three to ten feet deep. Brown reports using a Drop Shot to present a Robo-Worm and mixed in a whacky rigged Senko making multiple rotations on five to six different areas to catch his fish. Brown recognized his sponsors; Waite Toyota of Watertown, Thomas Excavating, OD Green Lumber and Lori Gervera, stating their support is what allows him to focus on his fishing to get results like he did today.

Second Place with a weight of 13.85 lbs. went to Bruce Wellington of the Hudson Valley Bassmasters. Wellington also stayed in the Northern end of the lake and reports catching his fish on a non-name floater diver jerkbait he picked up out of the discount bin at his local Gander Mountain. Wellington fished exclusively for post spawn suspended smallmouth in 19- 55 feet.

Dave Suttle representing Capital District Marina and Adirondack Reel Service took third place honors with a weight of 12.37 lbs. Suttle targeted off shore humps and shoals for post spawn fish in 9-15 feet using a Drop Shot rig and a 3/8 oz. Watermelon jig. Suttle also won the Bass Pro Shops tournament lunker with a fish that weighed 5.67 lbs.

Rounding out the top five boaters were Tim Thompson of Milford, CT, with 12.25 lbs. and Jim Barcomb of Hudson Falls, NY, with 12.10 lbs.

Co-Angler Division:

Bruce Nethercott of Brewster, NY, won the Co-Angler division with a weight of 12.54 lbs. Nethercott fished in the southern end of the lake in the mouth of the bays presenting 4 inch watermelon worms on a drop shot rig to fish in 10-12 ft.

Joe Maloof of Weedsport, NY, brought in a weight of 10.96 lbs. to win second place. Maloof reports taking his fish using Bass Pro Shops Tender Tubes (Green Pumpkin) rigged on 1/4 oz. head fishing in 8-12 ft around shoals, logs and docks.

Third place went to Pete Brunning of Farmingdale, NY, with a weight of 10.72 lbs. Brunning was pretty tight lipped about his day, but said he caught suspended smallmouth over 100 ft using a Zara Spook in smoke color.

Rounding out the top five co-anglers were Mark Batur of Boonville, NY, with 9.73 lbs. and Bill Facompre of Woodstock, NY, with 9.62 lbs.

The next NY BASS Chapter Federation tournament is scheduled for July 12 on the St. Lawrence River launching out of Ogdensburg, NY. Anglers are reminded an Ontario Provincial Fishing License is mandatory for this event. For additional information contact Tournament Director Jeff Edgerton (315) 662-7925 or tournaments@nybassfed.com

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