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B.A.S.S. FEDERATION NATION, CHAPTER #812

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## MEETINGS

### WHEN:

FIRST WEDNESDAY  
OF EVERY MONTH  
7 P.M. TO 9 P.M.

### WHERE:

BASS PRO SHOPS  
FRYING PAN LODGE  
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## AGENDA

### DIRECTOR UPDATES

### 2016 OFFICER & BOARD MEMBER RESULTS

### MEGABUCKS TOURNEY RECAP

### TOURNAMENT RULES UPDATES FORUM

### 2016 TOURNEY SCHEDULE

SAVE THE DATE  
**DECEMBER  
12TH & 13TH**

BRATS AND DOGS  
FUNDRAISER @ BPS

## MEETINGS BY THE MINUTE

### October 7, 2015

Following the MegaBucks tournament sign up for Merritt Lake, Nebraska. The meeting started at 7:24pm

Curtis Welch announced there will be a Juniors outing on Nov. 14th at Willow Bay. Directions and update will follow next meeting. Curtis also mentioned that longtime club member Craig Bootenhoff passed away. Craig's wife Margie has set up a memorial fund for our Juniors. Donations can be made to the Craig Bootenhoff Memorial Fund at First Bank of Silverthorne.

The Colorado State Qualifier will be held at Tenkiller Lake in Oklahoma, the 2016 date has yet to be determined.

Brandon Genova on behalf of Ryan Wood announced that the Front Range High School Bass Club is doing a conservation project at Sandoval Pond on Saturday morning, October 24. They will be adding Mossback Fish Attractors to the pond, used by the Colorado Department of Wildlife for youth seminars and events.

Brandon reported for treasurer Jon Webb that the club has \$4336 in our coffers, prior to MegaBucks payout and attendance prize reimbursements.

Club member Chad Barber gave a presentation on Outdoor First Aid. Chad has many years of experience in the medical field as an EMT and scrub nurse. Some of the more common issues are heat exhaustion, heat stroke and hypothermia. Some signs are irrational thoughts, profuse sweating, incoherent speech, lack of perspiration, intense shivering (hypothermia). Use a cell phone or radio device and call for help. For heat related, move to shade immediately, hydrate, douse with water. Boaters should keep a change of clothes handy and a first aid kit on board. DBM has members with BLS (basic life saving) cards we should all be aware of: Chad Barber, Dr. Jeff Winnicki DDS, Austin Howard, Curtis Welch, Jack Chaney and Shawn Rogers.

Pikes Peak club member Steve Ealey passed away recently. Steve donated his time not only to his own club but also provided the public address system for our Ft. Carson Kids Fishing Day. DBM has agreed to donate \$200 to his Go Fund Me site.

Our upcoming club fund raiser at Bass Pro Shops on Dec. 12 & 13. We will again be selling hot dogs and bratwurst. This fund raiser is a primary source for various club programs, habitat projects and member perks such as shirts, jerseys, trophies, attendance prizes and benevolent contributions. Sign up at the December meeting.

Tom reminded members of some of our club purchase programs which include the entire Rapala line (Rapala, VMC, Storm, Terminator, Sufix, Luhr-Jensen, Marcum, Blue Fox, Strike Master, Ice Force) and Eagle Claw (Eagle Claw, Trokar, Wright & McGill).

Nominations for 2016 officers are: Secretary – Steve Ehrman, Treasurer – Jon Webb, Vice President – Jack Chaney & Tom Grace, President – Brandon Genova & Tom Grace. Ballots will be e-mailed to members by Steve Ehrman. Board member nominations are: (pick three) Luke Davidson, Mark Warren, Micah Goldberg, Chad Barber, Pete Acosta, Tom Grace, Sam Underwood and Gary Schipporeit.

Tom Grace stated the club should use the Denver Bassmasters logo the members voted on and updated a few years ago. Curtis Welch agreed with keeping tradition and the recognition that goes with the member's voted-on logo.

Results of the Boyd Lake tournament: 5th – Steve Ehrman, 4th – Jeff Vermillion, 3rd – Larry Triplett, 2nd – Shawn Rogers, 1st – Jeff Gombos. Jeff G threw mostly 5" Senkos under docks in very shallow water.

## COLORADO'S FRONT RANGE BASS HIGH SCHOOL CLUB HEADS UP SANDOVAL POND HABITAT PROJECT



Using grant funds awarded by Shimano/BASS as part of their Youth Conservation Initiative, Colorado's Front Range Bass High School Club headed up the effort to work with the Colorado Department of Parks and Wildlife to improve the fish habitat in Sandoval Pond. This is a step forward in the progress being made in order to breathe new life into this Denver area outdoor education facility that aims to develop angling education and outdoor skills to help reach the next generation of outdoor enthusiasts.

Along with the Front Range Club, members of Colorado Bass Nation's Denver Bassmaster Club came alongside the high schoolers to build and submerge Mossback artificial habitat structure to provide much needed cover for smallmouth and other fish species.

Those involved were Ryan Wood (who coordinated the project), Turner Mason, Ethan Foster, Brandon Genova, Gene Rohr, Jared Foster, Curtis Wood, Kim Wood, and Colorado Parks and Wildlife Biologist, Paul Winkle.

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## 2015 Tournament Schedule

April 25th  
Pueblo, CO  
May 16th & 17th  
McConaughy, NE  
June 27th  
Aurora, CO  
August 15th  
Horsetooth, CO  
August 29th  
Lonetree, CO (nite)  
September 12th & 13th  
Wilson, KS  
September 26th  
Boyd, CO  
October 17th & 18th  
Megabucks TBD

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