

Centennial Bass Club

Regular Meeting Minutes

January 8, 2026

Call to Order

The regular meeting of the Centennial Bass Club was called to order at 18:39 on January 8, 2026.

Attendance and New Members

New members: Owen LePre and James Cotter (2025 Colorado High School Championship Winners)

Guest Speaker

The Guest speaker fell through at the last moment and another speaker was not available on short notice.

Officer Reports

Secretary:

December Minutes. Posted on Website with printed copies available to review if needed.

Treasurer:

A financial report was provided for the following accounts: CBC General: \$6462.98, FMO: \$6087.75, Junior Club: \$1255.04, Conservation: \$872.20, Venmo: \$512.00 and PayPal: 60.76.

Chief Financial Officer:

Riley provided an overview of the 2025 FMO financials, noting that the event included 47 teams and generated \$14,100 in entry fees, \$7,100 in donations and after raffle / BBQ proceeds the total revenue of \$25,117. Payouts for the event totaled \$8,000, and overall expenses were \$16,103, resulting in net proceeds of \$9,013, which is \$1,200 less than the 2024 total. Riley also outlined how the proceeds were allocated, with \$1,350 directed to the Club Classic, \$900 total (\$450 each) to the Individual Weekend Tournaments, \$450 to the Team Championship, and \$4,500 to the General Fund, with the remaining funds designated for conservation efforts and charitable contributions.

Committee Reports

FMO Committee:

Perry, Shane, Bill, and Riley provided a recap of the earlier FMO meeting with the date proposed as June 27-28 with the pavilion being identified as the most desirable location for the weigh-in if water levels permit. No significant rule changes proposed for 2026 event.

Conservation:

Ryan D reported a conversation opportunity with the Colorado Fish and Wildlife. There is a \$25,000 grant available with \$5,000 local match from CBC for fish habitat and gravel substrate in a yet to be determined local lake. Lon Hagler and Bodecker were mentioned as possibilities. It was decided that we would not go ahead with the grant at this time. It was discussed that the club is interested in offering volunteer labor and Nate Caldwell suggested the possibility of his company having earth moving equipment.

Youth Program:

Frank V: Is currently working on 2026 schedule for Centennial's youth club, The Fighting Fish Sticks, and is working through the new County permitting process. He is also working with Windsor High School. Franks is no longer youth coordinator for the State of Colorado. Chad Brekke and Bill Cancellieri will be assuming these responsibilities.

Individual Tournament Director:

Joey P is looking for help as TD for events that he will not be able to make when he is fishing BASS Opens.

Team Tournament Director:

Chris H was not in attendance. No Update.

Colorado Bass Nation (CBN):

The State Qualifying Tournament (SQT) is scheduled for May 2-8, 2026, at Lake Tenkiller. It Boater Safety Course will be "recommended" but fell short of being required. It will be required for all regional and national tournaments but only "suggested" for other tournaments. Raffle proceeds from SQT will support Fort Carson Kids Day. CBN is looking for a volunteer from CBC to help with prize donation collections, they are asking for 1 from each club in Colorado. Fund Raising Committee Volunteer will be by the group as a whole. We will look for items to donate for raffles. 2025 SQT raffle items were all purchased leading to low proceeds.

VOTE: CBN is looking for individual club approval that proceeds go to Fort Carson Kids.

APPROVED

It was suggested to CBN that they either find a sponsor for the banquet and participation plaques or start charging/discontinue the banquet.

\$17 of CBC annual dues are passed through to State CBN.

For Alliance Package (Manufacturers Discount) details contact Perry Flot for information.

CBN Officer Election Results for 2026:

President – Brandon Genova

Vice President/Tournament Director – Howard Binkley

Treasurer – Mike Rathe

Secretary – Mike Scott

Youth Coordinators – Bill Chancelleri and Chad Brekke

Colorado BASS Hall of Fame:

This item was tabled pending additional information.

Unfinished Business

Annual waiver forms must be renewed and submitted prior to participation in any CBC event. Forms are available online or in-person at monthly meetings

Annual dues for 2026 must be paid prior to participation. Dues were increased to \$67 effective January 1, 2026. These dues must be paid before participating in any tournament.

Website update is in progress. Facebook page revamp by Vinny has been seeing increased traffic. Email list update is progress

Bill Wilson: Is looking for replacement amp and speakers for FMO.

Perry Flot will be meeting with a representative from Weightbook Tournament software to discuss application and features. It is a web-based software with live updates. It is initially being considered for team events with on-boat weighing.

New Business

Tentative 2026 schedule is set and posted online. and permit processes have begun. September 12-13 Club Classic Cedar Bluff - Concerns about water levels and will be evaluated closer to the event. The date is set however.

Bill Wilson is working through permitting for FMO.

Bill Wilson: We are looking for volunteers at tabling events on select Thursdays over the next few months. Reach out to him if you can assist.

2025 Year End Awards

Rookie of the Year: Luke Staples

Second Place Team: Nate Caldwell

First Place Team: Evan and Carter

Angler of the Year (AOY)

10th Place: Ryan Kelly

9th Place: Tony Asbury

8th Place: Harley Dawson

7th Place: Chris Hamilton

6th Place: Scott Gablehouse

5th Place: Luke Staples

4th Place: Riley Hume

3th Place: Perry Flot

2nd Place: Garry Harner

1st Place: Joey Punko

Bassmaster (Big Bass): Joey Punko

2025 Classic Winner: Garry Harner

Trout Award to be awarded for 2026, document “blooper” moments and email to Perry F.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 20:15 followed by door prize drawings. Winning tickets were required to be present.

Secretary, Centennial Bass Club