

### A change for our members! A change for our future!

#### We are EXPANDING the Adult Program Nationwide

An updated program is due, we have had the same basic format for 25 years and it is time to modernize our system!

NEW concept very well received so far and voted in UNANIMIOUSLY by the state federations at the 2015 meeting.

The VAST majority of TBF members have NO interest in fishing full time as a full time pro. They just want to go fishing and maybe advance to a big event once a year or so!



We are NOT "downsizing " we are EXPANDING!

**MORE Events – The ONLY thing we are cutting is your travel costs!** 

We are EXPANDING from 7 TBF Division Championships to over 20 close to home TBF National Semi-Final Tournaments!

CLOSER to home, much LESS travel = MUCH less expense!

MORE for more of our members. The more members you have, the MORE members get to participate and the MORE money they win!



### HERE'S HOW WE DO IT!

- We transition from 7 TBF Division Championships to over 20 TBF National Semi-Final Championship events
- All TBF State Federations are "paired up" in 2 or 3 state "Districts"
- NO longer is there the cost & time of traveling 12 to 16 hours or more across 7 or 8 states to compete in a full week long event. Too many members simply cannot do that anymore.
- You only need to go "Next Door" and fish in a weekend event, every other year! Compete in a TBF National Semi-Final event close to home to advance to the TBF Federation National Championship !



### HERE'S HOW WE DO IT!

- States that grow or have more members advance more members to each "local" TBF National Semi-Final event
- All active TBF states advance a minimum or 12 anglers or a maximum 10% of their annual in state participation to a fall National Semi-Final!
- Entire qualification process from State to qualifying for the TBF Federation National Championship will transition to only one (1) calendar year over time.
- As a "working persons," grassroots organization that TBF is, not only can more members fish a weekend National Semi-Final event vs a week long event like today, but since the travel is MUCH less they can still be to work on Monday morning!



### **ADVANCEMENT** opportunities for each TBF club!

- Something we have always wanted is a piece of the pie for every TBF club!
- All TBF clubs in good standing with their state federation and following state requirements are allowed to advance (2) anglers (1 boater and 1 co-angler) each year directly from the club to their home states National Semi Finals!
- Be active and in good standing, support your state federation and advance JUST by fishing your local club tournaments!



### Funding and \$\$ MONEY!

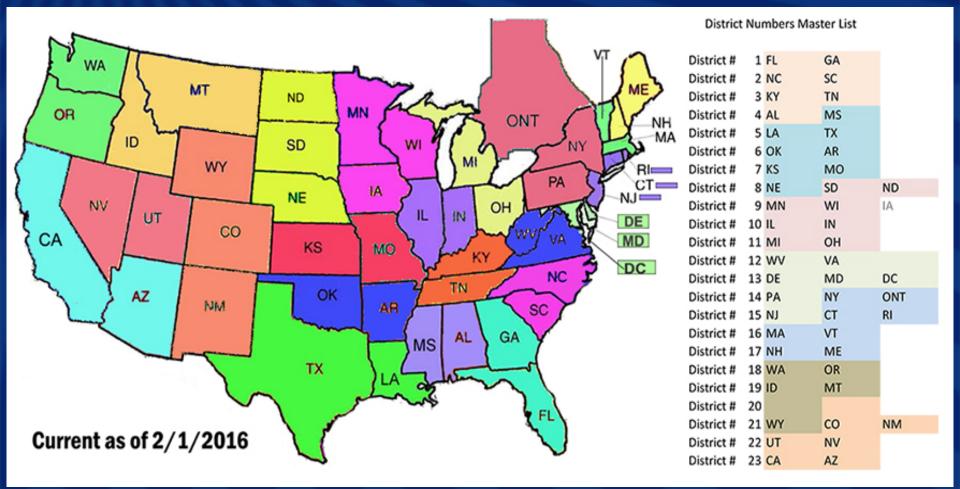
- In the Federation's 45 year history we have never had a entry fee past the state level.
- The member's feedback is they want to fish for some money on a individual basis!
- Since we SAVED the cost of much more travel and SAVED the cost of a weeklong events, everyone has more cash to invest to build a program that is affordable for ANY member AND provides a PAID path to support those top finishers who advance.
- AND if they finish well at the new "local" TBF National Semi Finals they would likely EARN enough money that most everyone should be able to go and travel to the TBF Federation National Championship.



### 100% overall payback MINIMUM!

- A \$200 Boater & a \$100 Co-angler entry fee at each TBF National Semi-Final event!
- Depending on your state federation, some members can EARN these entry fees paid through their state programs and it will cost them NOTHING to enter!
- The TBF National Semi-Final events will be Boater / Co-Angler format the same as the Federation Championship always has been. TWO separate pots of money and no coin flips for boats.
- 75% payback to the individual anglers to 20% of the field on BOTH the Boaters & Co-angler side at each National Semi-Final event
- 10% divides up between the state federations for event costs.
- 15% goes to support a bigger better Federation National Championship for the boaters AND THE CO-ANGLERS!









**BEST OF THE BEST** 

STATE PRIDE

National Semi-Finals

Top 8 anglers from each

state (4 Boaters \ 4

Co-anglers) weights ar

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wins their National

Semi-Final!

#### NATIONAL SEMI-FINALS

LESS TRAVEL - MORE FUN - MORE MEMBERS - MORE MONEY!

Each TBF state holds events as they choose, any number, format, body of water, etc. , Members choice!

TBF State Federations Top 10% of each states event participation (UNLIMITED), or minimum of 12 anglers per state, whichever is greater, advance to National Semi-Final TBF Clubs In Good Standing Eligible, active clubs in good standing, (who meet minimum requirements with state, no paper clubs) can advance top (2) anglers from club direct to National Semi-Final

#### **TBF** National Semi-Finals

- CLOSE TO HOME, Over 20 events, (2\3 State Area's)

- Individual Payouts\Advancement
   Popular Boater\Co-Angler Format
   \$200 Entry Fee\Pot For Boaters
- \$100 Entry Fee\Pot For Co-Anglers

1 Boater/Co-Angler advances to the Federation National Championship (FNC) from the minimum 12 anglers of each state.
1 additional (B/C) advances for each 50 boat milestone reached from each state at it's National Semi-Final! (50, 100, 150, etc.)

75% payback to National Semi-Finals individuals, 10% to states, 15% to Federation National Championship

= 100% payback! + PLUS ADDED PRIZES



Catching Fish & WINI Top Co-Angler(s) qualifing spots who weighed in MORE total weight than Top Boater qualifing spots from their state can choose to join the boaters and advance to the FNC as a Boater! We will pull up the next Co-Angler and everyone wins, NO ONE loses a spot!

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FEDERATION NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP New format = MORE members have a chance at the MOST number of advancement spots in the industry!

Practice out of own boats (just like today) for 2 days (Saturday and Sunday)

States with multiple FNC qualifiers will COMPETE from their own boats on Monday and Tuesday. After Tuesday we cut the field to the top Boater & top Co-angler from each state.

Wednesday is final practice day for all State Leaders out of new Ranger Boats, (just like today) Thursday and Friday the full field competes by division. Friday the field is cut to the top anglers from each of the 7 TBF division (just like today) who will compete on Saturday's Final Day for a National Championship title and...

- All 14 finalist will advance as TBF Division Champions to the BFL -All American!
- National Champion Boater advances directly to the Forrest Wood Cup!
- Living The Dream packages for BOTH Boater and Co-Angler National Champs!
- SIGNIFICANT cash and prizes increases for Boaters and Co-Anglers!

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#### The nuts and bolts of it all.

- These are NATIONAL TBF events in most cases hosted and conducted by State Federations.
- ONE set of rules for all National Semi- Finals across the nation.
- A pre-determined, pre-announced, on-sight local tournament official with an angler appeal process direct to TBF National Office senior staff.
- All entry fees, 1099's and payouts are handled by TBF National Office. All prize checks will be mailed directly to the anglers home after the event. No prize money is handled locally.
- Plaques and awards for all top anglers at all National Semi-Final events



#### The nuts and bolts of it all.

- No one fishes alone
- MORE people qualify, more people advance.
- Top 10% of all state wide participation can advance to a National Semi-Final (no limit) or a minimum of 12 (6 Boaters and 6 Co-anglers min.)
- Top (2) two anglers from each CLUB *in good standing* can advance 2 anglers (1) boater and (1) co-angler direct to a National Semi-Final
- Each state pre-identifies it's Top 8 (4 Boaters & 4 Co-anglers) for a separate state vs State Pride District Championship award.
- Top <u>ADVANCING</u> Co-angler(s) who weigh more total weight than their state top ADVANCING Boater can choose to ALSO advance to the Federation Championship as a Boater (NO ONE LOSES THEIR SPOT), we will pull up the next Co-angler and that state simply sends MORE!



- How do I qualify for the Federation Championship?
- The more member who fish the National Semi Finals from your state the more members who can qualify from your state.
- Every Federation qualifies a MINIMUM of one (1) Boater and (1) Co-angler to fish the Federation National Championship.
- Then an additional Boater and Co-angler will qualify and advance from your state for each 50 member milestone who attends the National Semi Finals. (2<sup>nd</sup> Boater and Co-angler at 50, 3<sup>rd</sup> Boater and Co-angler at 100, etc. The more you GROW the more you can advance.





- More for Boater and MORE for Co-anglers, all in one week.
- Everyone practices up to two days out of own boats just like today.
- States with more than 1 Boater and 1 Co-angler at the Federation Championship they will fish a tournament Monday and Tuesday out of own boats and compete ONLY against their state to see who makes the cut and fishes the final days out of a new Ranger Boat!
- Wednesday, 1 Boater and 1 Co-angler from each state, final practice day out of a new Ranger Boat and fishes the final competition days Thursday and Friday (Just like today) Friday, field is cut to the top Boater and top Co-angler from each of today's 7 TBF divisions, (Division Champs) just like today! All 14 fish the BFL All-American.
- Saturday, determines WHO is the National Champion Boater and Co-angler and the Living The Dream packages!



# National Semi-Final Rules and For More Information go to:

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