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MOTION FOR THE 2018 AGM FROM THE NBAA DEVELOPMENT OFFICER:

Junior Development Events:

During the latter part of 2018, the NBAA established an interest from the Scouts of Namibia to collaborate with the NBAA in 2019 on organising junior development events. This opportunity to establish a sustainable agreement of collaboration for junior development is a very real prospect.

The main focus will be to organise junior events where the NBAA members will take out juniors from the Scouts of Namibia for a day's fishing in competition format. This does however not limit other juniors attending, and all juniors are welcomed to attend these events.

This will entail that members from the NBAA assisting and teaching juniors the basics of the sport, some tricks and sharing their valuable knowledge, not to mention giving a junior the opportunity to experience the thrill to fish from a boat for bass, something we all might have come to take for granted in our sport. From personal experience, in other bass fishing chapters junior events in competition format like these have spawned many new entrants into the bass fishing community, and started my personal obsession with the sport as a junior.

The long term results of this will be vesting a long term interest in bass fishing with juniors, ultimately leading to a sustainable model of new members entering the sport of bass fishing in Namibia for the future.

I believe it goes without saying that juniors are the future of our sport, and this is the opportunity to secure a long term development program with the focus on juniors.

The motion:

With the above in mind, in order to ensure a successful collaboration and long lasting development initiative with the Scouts of Namibia, adequate attendance by members with their boats is imperative.

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With this being said, the two motions put to the 2018 AGM for a vote is as follows:

1. A vote of approval to include 2 (two) junior development events in the NBAA Calendar for 2019. Proposed dates given the calendar (from which we should choose 2) will be:
 - 23 – 24 February 2019
 - 16 – 17 March 2019
 - 14 – 15 September 2019
 - 12 – 13 October 2019
2. A vote of approval to institute the “attendance points” system as with the 2018 Fisheries Management events. The Junior Development Events will not be a separate points system, but will rather be added to the Fisheries Management points, affording members more opportunity to accumulate attendance points to qualify for Namibian and/or NBAA representation.

Depending on the number of fisheries management events, these events should be taken into consideration when voting in the number of points required for qualification for Namibian and/or NBAA representation.

I herewith open the floor for discussion by the NBAA Members at the AGM, and then request the chairman to commence with a vote on both matters as described above, or if so decided through the discussion, alternative votes.

Sincerely yours,

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