

# NYTBF Collegiate Cup Challenge Held on Lake Champlain at Ticonderoga



**From the NYTBF for immediate release.....October 22, 2016.....** On October 8, 2016, the NYTBF hosted the Collegiate Cup Challenge on Lake Champlain at the Ticonderoga boat ramp. There were 16 college teams from New York and Massachusetts, showing that the collegiate fishing programs are doing very well. The event was hosted by the Town of Ticonderoga and the Regional Office of Sustainable Tourism (ROOST).

The collegiate team from SUNY ESF of Ethan Hall and Ray Bentz won with a weight of 14.65 pounds for 5 fish. They were able to repeat their win from the St Lawrence River in July that qualified them for the challenge. In second place were first time visitors to Lake Champlain, the team of Austin Ocwieja and Daniel Peltier from the University of Buffalo. They had 5 fish for 13.25 pounds. And in third place was former Collegiate Cup champion Jason Karol and his teammate, Austin Bartl, from RIT. They had five fish that weighed 13.00 pounds. The big fish of the tournament was weighed 5.60 pounds and was caught by the team of Evan McCarthy and Jon Hastings from the University of Massachusetts at Amherst.

Collegiate teams were competing for the opportunity to compete at the Cabelas Collegiate Bass Fishing Championship to be held in May of 2017. The top finishing team from each school will qualify for a chance to win prizes and gain TV exposure for themselves and their school.

**About the NYTBF** - New York The Bass Federation (NYTBF) is an affiliate state chapter of The Bass Federation, the original grass roots bass fishing organization whose motto "Owned by those we serve,

dedicated to the sport of fishing" embodies the very essence of who we are and what we do. Our organization is committed to providing something for people of all ages and gender. We offer youth, high school, collegiate, adult and team tournaments, you need not own a boat to participate and regardless of your on the water experience we're certain you'll find like-minded folks within our group. We fish all across the state and with the support of our local and national sponsors we're pleased to offer area anglers additional opportunities to enjoy New York's diverse bass fishery.

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