

Ellen Island Camp

2015 Newsletter

Greetings Everyone,

We hope this newsletter finds everyone well. Our 2015 season was another great one and we want to thank all our guests who made it to camp this year for making it such a great season.

We hope those of you who were not able to make it to camp will have an opportunity to visit us again in the near future. Our 2016 season is booking up with quite a few of our past guests returning for another season. We are taking deposits now for next year so if you would like to reserve a spot give us a call.



The weather overall this past year was very good and the fishing as usual didn't disappoint many. We saw a number of trophy size Walleye, Bass and Pike caught and released which is always great for our future fisheries.

Our "Catch and Release Trophy Walleye Club" mugs which we introduced three years ago, was successful again this season and we awarded close to 40 mugs to our guests who released their trophy walleye above 24 inches. Congratulations to all who received mugs.

Nice catch!



Beating Grandpa at fishing is the best!

Central Fire Pit

The addition of our central fire pit was a big hit this past year. We had many beautiful nights by the fire with guests and friends, sharing stories, enjoying the sunsets, gazing at the stars, and having a few beverages.



We were also treated to some of the most spectacular Northern Lights we have ever seen on Lady Evelyn Lake.



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Fish Story

We had a few great fish stories this season, but the one that sticks in our mind the most was the one with young 8 yr old Everitt from Wisconsin. While fishing for small bass and perch off the back docks with a mini ice fishing rod, Everett latched onto a 23 in walleye. It was pretty exciting for the young lad as he shouted to another guest politely, ***“hey mister do you think you could grab a net and help me with this fish!”***.

The guest thought...great, now I'm gonna spend the morning helping an 8 yr old net rock bass...but to his surprise Everett had a beauty and was cranking his little heart out with this mini rod and reel trying to get this beauty in the net. He landed the walleye and was proud as punch...showing it off to the folks on the docks. Everett released it and was back casting trying to catch another.



Family Friends and Staff

Our awesome staff this past summer consisted of our son Brandon and his wife Erin, who were there to look after the island while Jane and I were off visiting Sweden in June.

Our other great staff consisted of Zack, Jeffrey and Jordan. This was Zack and Jeffrey's third season with us and Jordan's first season. We hope to have them all back again next season.

Our family which helps with much of the cleaning of cottages on weekends is Jane's mom "Hazel", Jane's sister "Carolyn" and husband "Gerry" along with their daughter "Mallory".

Of course I cannot forget to mention my Dad Al, ("Pa"), who will be turning **80** yrs young in February, Dad spends the season helping us out with the day to day chores like laundry, cooking and cleaning but most importantly socializing with the guests and sharing his favourite fishing spots. Dad had a another great summer and is already looking forward to 2016.



"Pa" doing what he loves!!

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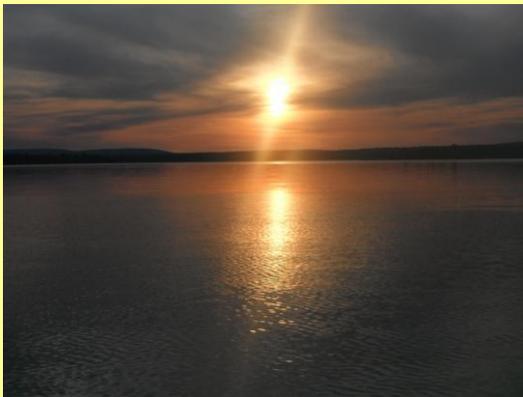
As always everyone likes to see pictures, so just to tease some of you and get you in the mood for 2016...



Girl Power!!



Probably one of the bigger ones this year.



Never gets old!!



A few of our guests were treated to Moose sightings this year.



Wow...!!



Mmmm...shore lunches are the best!

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Another great catch and release
Walleye!



“Get closer so we can steal Jacks spot!”



The blue colours in this Walleye were
spectacular!



Our most senior guest and his family.
Congratulations Mr. Schneider (better
know as “Dink Schneider”) in his 89th
year. Fishing Lady Evelyn since the
1960’s.



Fishing in the rain is the best!



Beans, Steak, Sausage, Potatoes and
Walleye...does it get any better?

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Thanksgiving at the island this year consisted of 34 family and friends for a sit down meal. What a great weekend, the weather was spectacular and again the best part was Jane and I ate leftovers for the next week while we winterized camp.

Family and friends had fun spending time together, playing games and enjoying the outdoors.



“Capture the Flag” our favourite game!



As we settle in for our winter in Peterborough we reflect back on our past seasons greatest memories and look forward to making new ones in the years to come.

The Holidays are just around the corner and before you know it, spring will be here and we will be itching to get back to the island.

We would like to take this opportunity to extend best wishes to you and your families over the holiday season and good health and prosperity in 2016.



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