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"A Tradition of Fishing Excellence"

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## TROUTLINE AUGUST 2018

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**NEXT BOARD MEETING:** September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018 @ 9 a.m. in the Clubhouse. Please stop in and share your ideas.

**SPEED LIMITS:** All vehicles shall be operated in such a manner as not to disturb other members and shall not be hazardous to the operator, passengers, or pedestrians. The maximum speed limit of 20 MPH (10 MPH on dikes or dams) shall not be exceeded and good safe driving practices shall be observed at all times.

So far this summer, MML members and their guests have obeyed this rule with no significant issues. Let's keep this going so we can keep our kids, pets, members, and their guests safe.

**BURNPILE:** The burn pile is to be no larger than 15' x 15' in size. It is for slash only. Please do not put construction materials or metal/steel objects in the pile. We plan to burn in November after the first snowfall.

**CLUBHOUSE PHONE:** With cell service at MML becoming less reliable during the summer, MML has put a landline phone back into the clubhouse. This landline will be available at all times and can be used for local calls only. The number is 719-486-7328.

**FIRES:** The Lake County Fire Ban was lifted on July 22<sup>nd</sup>. *Open fires including camp fires are not permitted at MML unless in an approved container at any time.* An approved container shall be made of a non-combustible material such as steel, concrete, or stone (or other material as approved by the Lake County Fire Authority) and shall be completely shielded on the bottom with brick and/or rock encircling the entire fire pit with no gaps on all sides. All containers must have a spark arrestor (screen) covering the top constructed of woven or welded 12 gage (or heavier) wire with openings not to exceed ¼".

**FIRE GUIDELINE:** In the event of a fire or other emergency here at MML, below is a common list of items you may want to have with you when you leave:

- Computer + user names and passwords
- Checks and cash
- Insurance Policies auto home life and health + contact names
- Jewelry and other valuables and photos
- Passports
- Phone and chargers

- Pet food
- Medications
- Cabin info for dollar value bases and replacement cost
- Clothing for extended period of time

**ADOPT A LAKE:** The “Adopt A Lake” program is set up to help keep MML beautiful and clean. This program asks members to adopt a lake of their choice and to perform certain duties. Duties include picking up trash along the shoreline, fishing line, lures, dead fish (hook mortality), and anything else to help keep the lake pristine. We have five lakes still available, Lakes 1,9,12,17,26, and you are welcome to partner up with another member. Please contact Brent if you would like to adopt a lake.

**WATER FLOWS:** We are currently taking 3.5 CFS. Our full water right of 8 CFS lasted until late June this year. We turned off Home Row Ditch in the middle of July once our grading of the 2020 rainbows was completed. All the lakes are currently full, with the exception of Lake 3, which has had a leak for several years. We expect Lake 3 to hold steady for the remainder of the summer. With daily afternoon rain showers in early July, our water remained steady but it has returned to dry conditions the last month. We hope for a cool, rainy fall to keep our fish healthy going into the winter.

**CABIN IDENTIFICATION:** Per request from the Lake County Sheriff’s Department, please display your cabin number with light colored or reflective painted numbers to make it easier for all responding emergency personnel to locate your cabin. Leadville Lake County Fire Rescue now has cabin number signs available for purchase. These signs are green with white reflective lettering. The cost of these signs are \$10.00. If you would like to purchase one, please contact the Leadville Fire Department or member Phyllis Carnahan.

**SEPTIC SYSTEMS:** The Lake County Health Department made changes to their regulations regarding On-site Wastewater Treatment Systems (OWTS), also known as septic systems, earlier this year. As of March 1, 2019, when a property is transferred/sold in Lake County that utilizes a septic system, the septic system MUST be pumped prior to sale AND pass inspection by a licensed Lake County Inspector prior to sale. Please contact Lake County Health Department for more information.

**2018 CATCHABLE RAINBOW STOCKING:** Our last stocking of the season concluded on July 10<sup>th</sup>. We stocked a total of 11,030 catchable rainbows with an average size of 33.9 ounces (2.1 pounds). Thank-you to all the volunteers who helped throughout the summer.

**2019 TRIPLOID RAINBOWS:** This class of fish is 21 months old. We currently have 15,012 and they are 14.3” long. They are slightly larger than the 2018 rainbows were at this time last year. These fish are currently in Rainbow Pond, Pasture Pond, and New Pond.

Once our Hatchery Pond renovation is complete, we will be thinning this year class into that pond to keep them spread out and to help mitigate winter predator loss.

**2019 SUPER CATCHABLE TRIPLOID RAINBOWS:** We have 1,942 super catchables in Pond 2, which average nearly 19". We will be marking and stocking half of these super catchables in November right before ice on. This experiment is designed to provide data on survivability of these fish versus losing them in the pond to predators over the winter. We will evaluate this project throughout the winter during our winter samples and also in the spring at ice off. If it proves successful, we will begin stocking super catchables at ice on each fall.

**2020 TRIPLOID RAINBOWS:** Our triploids are growing fast and they are already at 7.7". We currently have 22,375 and they are 9 months old. These fish were graded at the end of July and put into their winter ponds, Jones Pond and Pond 1. We kept the runts (smallest fish) of this year class to help mitigate winter and predator loss. These extra runts are in Haydon Rogers Tank 1.

**2018 BROWN TROUT:** We stocked 2,270 of these 3" fingerlings into Lakes 6,9,10,11,12,15, and 18 on July 23<sup>rd</sup>. You can expect to catch these fish beginning in 2019.

**2018 TIGER TROUT:** We stocked 1,100 of these fingerlings into Lakes 15, 21, and 26 on July 23<sup>rd</sup>. You can expect to catch these beginning in 2019.

**CUTBOWS:** We currently have 3,469 cutbows which are thriving in the hatchery on spring water, a consistent 48 degrees. These cutbows are 3.7" and growing well. In July, we stocked 300 of these fish as fingerlings into Lake 3. Our summer and winter sampling data shows that this species of fish do very well in this lake.

**HATCHERY POND RENOVATION:** In late July we completed the first phase of the project. This phase included installation of the new outlet, pipeline, straightening of the rock wall, and some minor trenching to help dry the pond. The 2<sup>nd</sup> next phase is to excavate 30" and shape the sides is also complete. The third phase of the Hatchery Pond renovation project will be lining the pond with concrete.

**NO BAG LIMIT:** In an effort to utilize trout that will not survive throughout the winter, bag limits on rainbow trout, less than 19" in length, will be suspended beginning September 4, 2018. Please harvest rainbow trout until the fishing season closes at "ice on".

Rainbow trout that remain in our lakes after "ice on" experience an 85% mortality rate over the winter. High numbers of fish, low winter water flows, and extreme ice cover produce poor habitat conditions. Harvesting these rainbow trout will improve habitat quality and increase survivability of the remaining fish.

**LOST AND FOUND:** The table located next to the guest badge box is for lost and found. Please place found items on the table for members to claim.

**MML GOLF LEAGUE:** The members of MML play golf, scramble, on Wednesday mornings at the Mount Massive Golf Course. If interested in joining us to play and have lunch afterwards, please contact Richard Cannon at 719-486-3241.

**FOR SALE LIST:** Is no longer part of the Troutline but is located on the MML website. If you would like to post your cabin for sale, please visit the website and follow the instructions. If you have any questions, please call Gregg Anderson at 303-324-9893.

**MML WEBSITE:** If you have not had a chance to check out the new website, please do so at [mountmassivelakes.org](http://mountmassivelakes.org), password Fishing1. The “for sale section is now up and running and also check for updates in the “Managers Corner” section for the latest news and recent activity from MML staff. The website will also provide information such as fishing status, club updates, BOD meeting dates/times/locations, annual meeting date/time, and previous club material such as Troutline. We would like to thank BOD member Gregg Anderson for all the great work he has done to make this new website successful and current.

**MML VEHICLE WINDOW STICKERS:** We have new MML stickers (old ones don't need to be replaced) for members to place on the window of their vehicles. Please stop by the office next time you're at the Club if you would like one.

**DUMPSTERS:** Please remember that our dumpsters are for household trash only. Construction materials, furniture, appliances, oil, paint, tires, auto parts, etc, are prohibited and must be hauled to the dump. To save the club money, we remove three dumpsters after Labor Day weekend until May 1<sup>st</sup>. The Lake County Landfill is located at 1500 CR 6, Leadville, CO 80461. The hours are 8am to 4pm, Friday – Tuesday. For more information, please visit <http://www.lakecountyco.com/landfill>.

**NEED COPIES OF MT. MASSIVE LAKES BY-LAWS, RULES AND REGULATIONS, LAND USE APPLICATIONS AND RULES AND REGULATIONS OR MAPS OF THE CLUB?** They are available to the membership and can either be downloaded from the website or are available in plastic file holders mounted on the wall inside the Clubhouse, just to the right as you enter the Clubhouse door. If you elect to acquire them at the Clubhouse, limit one per member, please!

**LAND USE PERMIT APPLICATIONS: THE LAND USE APPLICATION HAS CHANGED!** Remember, if you are planning a construction project at your cabin you will need to follow MML rules and regulations governing land use. These rules, published on the website or available at the clubhouse, include submitting a Land Use Application to the Land Use Committee for their approval, **prior** to starting construction. The rules state "A

**PERMIT IS REQUIRED FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OR INSTALLATION OF NEW CABINS, OUT BUILDINGS, ADDITIONS TO PRESENT CABINS, OR CONSTRUCTION OF SEPTIC SYSTEMS, FENCES, ANTENNAS, FLAGPOLES, SIGNS, PARKING AREAS, ROADS, CONCRETE, OR ANY DISTURBANCE OF THE LAND".** Please remember that the land use committee only operates from May – October for approvals of major projects and structures. Other minor projects may be reviewed outside of that time frame.

Applications received outside of these months will be reviewed as time permits. For prompt approval, please properly submit an application, including drawings, elevations, and neighbor approvals. If there is a question about whether or not you need to submit an application, or to submit an application, please call Land Use Committee members, Bill Bennett at (720) 300-9949, Janice Good at (719) 207-1596, Brent Groenke at (719) 293-5441.

**IS YOUR CABIN TITLED PROPERLY?:** The Lake County Assessor wants to remind Club Members that when they transfer their cabin and membership to a new owner, to an heir or to a trust, they will also want to change the title to their cabin by deeding it to the appropriate entity. If you have recently acquired a membership and cabin or put your membership and cabin into a trust, be sure to record the appropriate document (ie. a "Quit Claim Deed" or "Bill of Sale") with the Lake County Clerk and Recorder so that the title to your cabin matches how you want your membership titled. This will prevent Lake County Tax notices being mailed to the wrong address and eliminate a lot of headaches for you down the road. Simply filling out a Mount Massive Lakes "Transfer Form" will not officially transfer the cabin into your name.