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"A Tradition of Fishing Excellence"

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TROUTLINE JUNE 2017

NEXT BOARD MEETING: July 1st, 2017 @ 9 a.m. in the Clubhouse. Please stop in and share your ideas.

PICNIC: The annual MML picnic will be held on Saturday, July 1, 2017 at noon in the shop. All attending are asked to bring a main dish and table service. Also, **ODD** numbered cabins should bring a salad and **EVEN** numbered cabins a dessert. Sodas and water will be provided.

CONDOLENCES: My father Jack Bennett of Chandler, Oklahoma passed away on February 6, 2017. He and my mother Sue were members of Mt. Massive Trout Club from 1980 through 2003. Sue passed away in 2003. Jack served on the committee that researched if it was feasible to have 24 hour guest passes as well as the current 48 hour passes. He enjoyed taking the grand kids out fishing especially on Lake 5 and also Rainbow. As my daughter Mindy told him, "Grandpa, you're not very good at netting the fish I catch. I'll net them myself." He enjoyed the time that they spent in Leadville and having all of his sons and their families up for fishing weekends. We will have a Celebration of Life event at our cabin on Saturday, June 24th at 11 a.m. (Submitted by Bill Bennett).

ANNUAL MEETING 2017:

- The proposed budget for 2017/2018 was passed, setting the dues at \$2385. Dues are due by July 1.

SAFETY: Please remember to keep an eye on children. The club has many dangerous areas which children are not aware of. Our outlets are deep and move a lot of water with strong pressure. Our raceways and tanks are fairly deep and are hard to get out of if fallen into. Our children are important as they will keep the fishing tradition alive going forward.

BOAT CLEANUP: In an effort to clean up lake shorelines and fishing access areas, MML staff will be conducting a boat clean up. MML staff will begin to move unidentified boats to the boneyard. If you are missing a boat, please check for it in the boneyard to claim it.

2017 FISH STOCKING: We will be stocking our 2017 kamloops rainbows on June 5, 26, July 5, 24, and August 14. In April and May we stocked a total of 4,142 catchable fish. These stocked fish consisted of 1,689 cutbow super catchables and 2,453 kamloops catchable rainbows. So far, our average size of stocked catchable fish is 40.3 ounces. We

expect to stock over 16,500 fish this year. If you would like to help stock on any of these dates, please contact Brent at 719-293-5441.

2017 KAMLOOPS RAINBOWS: We currently have 15,161 kamloops and they are 16.5". They are healthy and growing well. These fish are currently in Rainbow Pond and New Pond. We will hold back 2,500 from this year class to use for our super catchable program in 2018.

2018 TRIPLOID RAINBOWS: We currently have 23,455 and they are 11.5". These fish will be grown all summer to become our catchables in 2018, plus we will hold back 2,500 for our super catchable program for 2019. These fish are currently in Jones Pond, Pasture Pond, Hatchery Pond, and Pond 1. After we stocked out Pasture Pond this spring, we cleaned it and were able to thin Jones Pond. This provided us the opportunity to put the fish into warmer water with less crowded conditions, which will provide better growth and less disease. We will continue to move these fish around as ponds are stocked out this summer.

2019 TRIPLOID RAINBOWS: Our triploids are healthy and growing fast. They are eight months old and already 5", slightly larger than last year at this time. We currently have 28,673. We graded these fish in March and kept 29,000. Grading allows us to keep the bigger fish, keep uniform size, and gives us an accurate number of remaining fish. With rising water temperatures and water flows, this spring has provided us with great temperatures to grow these fish fast and also keep them healthy. As these fish keep growing, we will continue to move them into additional raceways, ponds, and tanks to keep them thinned out and healthy.

2017 BROWN TROUT: We currently have 5,635 and they are 2.7". Our 2017 brown trout are from MML brown trout eggs and are growing well. Although these brown trout grow slightly slower than the ones we received from CPW in 2013 and 2014, we expect these fish to reach 3" by the end of June. We will stock 1,520 fingerlings into Lakes 6, 8, 9, and 18.

2017 CUTTHROAT TROUT SPAWNING: Cutthroat trout began spawning in early May this spring. We were able to collect ripe fish from traps in Lake 8 and 15, and also by electrofishing the inlet ditches of Lake 5 and 12. We spawned a total of 14 females for 11,126 eggs. These eggs are already beginning to eye and we expect them to begin hatching in mid June.

2017 TIGER TROUT: We currently have 1,261 and they are 2.2". We plan to stock 1,200 into Lakes 2, 10, 11, 15, 19, and 26 when they reach 3" this summer. We had an excellent egg take last fall, supplying us with extra fish to possibly use in other lakes.

19" RULE: Please remember, beginning in 2013 the MML rule to allow harvest of one (1) fish over 19" has been amended. Drought conditions in 2012 and 2013 resulted in the

loss of the super catchable program which produced most of these of fish. Although fish 19" and larger have been produced for this summer, **all fish 19" or larger must be returned to the water immediately.** If you see anyone violating this rule, please get their badge number and notify staff at 719-293-5441 or 719-293-5423.

WELCOME NEW MEMBER: Please welcome new member Anne Pataluna and her husband Bill who transferred from her father Haydon Thompson, Cabin 59, which is located at the south west corner of Lake 17.

KILL STUNTED FISH: While fishing Muskrat (#7) this summer, please kill all rainbow trout you catch. This will help us comply with our whirling disease management plan. In addition, please kill all brook trout less than 12". Harvesting these fish will help our efforts to increase brook trout size by reducing stunted brook trout numbers.

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.

WATER FLOWS: We had a couple small snowstorms in May which considerably helped the snowpack on Weston Pass. On May 11, we began taking our full 8 cfs water right. All of the lakes are full and our entire water system is running. We turned Home Row Ditch on in mid May and will keep it running as long as we can. If you have a cabin close to the Home Row Ditch, please try to keep it free of any debris to prevent build up and possible flooding.

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, 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: As summer nears, please remember that our dumpsters are for household trash only. The Landfill operations include recycling, non-hazardous waste disposal, slash (yard waste) along with recyclables including scrap metal, oil recycling, tires, batteries, glass, plastic, paper, construction materials, furniture, appliances, paint, auto parts, etc. The Lake County Landfill is located at 1500 CR 6, Leadville, CO 80461. The hours are 8am to 5pm, Friday – Tuesday. For more information, please visit <http://www.lakecountycolorado.com/landfill>.

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.

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: Remember, if you are planning a construction project at your cabin you will need to follow Mt. Massive 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**". 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, Pat Jones at (719) 293-1898, 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.