

MOUNT MASSIVE LAKES, INC.

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"A Tradition of Fishing Excellence"

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TROUTLINE DECEMBER 2016

NEXT BOARD MEETING: January 28th, 2017 @ 9:30 a.m., Shaun Mulligan residence, 5925 Zinna Court, Arvada.

WINTER SAFETY: As winter approaches our lakes and ditches will begin to slowly freeze up. If you are at the club recreating during the winter months, please keep in mind that the thickness of ice varies from inlets to outlets and also from lake to lake. The most unstable ice will be by the inlets, outlets, and any place where springs seep into lakes. Be careful anytime that you are on the ice.

FORMER CLUB EMPLOYEE, CAROL SMITH: Many of our members will remember the smiling face of Carol Smith, who manned the office at the Club for many years, selling guest permits and regaling members with stories of life in Leadville as the wife of local rancher and veterinarian, Bernard Smith. Carol and her daughter Vicki Schehrer recently stopped by to visit John and Pat Jones, including other members and staff. She is doing great and still has her wittiness! She spent a week at the ranch before returning to Oregon with her daughter Kate. At this time, Carol is staying with her daughter, Kate, in Gold Beach, OR. She loves hearing from members and former members, so if you would like to drop her a line you can do so in care of:

Bortons

PO Box 1082

Gold Beach, OR 97444

Please visit the club website periodically for the latest information and current address for Carol.

GUEST PERMIT REVENUE: Guest permit revenue rose to \$48,780 in 2016. This amount was \$4,320 higher than 2015. Although we only stocked 11,884 catchable fish last summer, we expect to reach our normal stocking number of approximately 16,000 in 2017.

2017 KAMLOOPS RAINBOWS: We currently have 19,394 and they are 15". We will hold back 2,500 of these fish next summer for our super catchable program in 2018. Along with these rainbows, we have 2,144 cutbow super catchables to stock 2017. These cutbows are 19" and weigh 45.7 ounces (2.9 pounds). We plan for 10% unaccounted mortality each winter from predation (coyotes, eagles, etc.). As of December 1st, we plan to have 16,884 fish to stock next summer, which is up 5,000 from last summer. The

2017 catchables and super catchables are located in New Pond, Pasture Pond, Rainbow Pond and Pond 2 for the winter.

2018 TRIPLOID RAINBOWS: We currently have 23,781 and they are 10". They are slightly larger than the 2017 rainbows were at this time last year and we also have 2,033 extra to help mitigate with disease and predator loss this winter. These fish are in Pond 1, Jones Pond, and Hatchery Pond for the winter.

2019 TRIPLOID RAINBOWS: We received our order of 38,000 triploid rainbow trout eggs on October 13th. These eggs began to hatch on October 24th. After they all hatch, we move them from the incubator into troughs. Once they swim up, we then begin to feed, which started on November 16th. We order these eyed eggs from Troutlodge, which is located in Washington State. These fish are sterile, which will provide them with better growth to large sizes as all their energy is transferred to growth rather than reproduction. The rainbows stocked this summer were triploids from Troutlodge.

2017 BROWN TROUT: Our annual fall spawning took place during the last week of September this year. We currently have 5,267 fry which is 84% survival rate, typical for these species here at MML. We will begin to feed these fish within the next once they start to swim up. We will stock these fish next summer when they reach 3".

2017 TIGER TROUT: We currently have around 1,400 tiger trout fry that will begin to swim up soon. We spawned for a total of 14,340 tiger trout eggs in late September. The survival rate of tiger trout from egg to fry size was 10%, which is substantially lower than all the other species we have at MML. This is caused from a cross between brook trout and brown trout, which are two fish from different genera.

WINTER SAMPLING VOLUNTEERS: During the winter we sample each lake to check the abundance and condition of the fish population by ice fishing. We usually begin around the first of the year when the ice conditions become safe. If you are interested in coming to help out, please contact Brent or Bryan.

CONDOLENCES: It is with great sadness to report the passing of Gerald Flanigan, Cabin # 77 on the east side of Rainbow Lake. Gerald passed away on November 22nd. Please pass along your condolences to the Flanigan family.

WELCOME NEW MEMBER: Please welcome new members Todd and Jaime Kinzle who, in November, purchased Cabin #50 from Amy Andersen, which is located on the east side of Lake 6.

SCRAP WOOD PILE: Jim Tims and Greg Brunjak are beginning a new program for recycling scrap wood (building material). If you have scrap wood and are looking to get rid of it after completing a project or just cleaning around your cabin, please put it in the designated pile which is located in the south west corner of the boneyard. Instead of

throwing these items in the burn pile, which is prohibited, putting them in the boneyard pile allows members who may have a use for the scrap wood to take it at their own convenience. If you have any questions about what can and cannot be put in the pile, please contact Jim Tims or Greg Brunjak.

WATER FLOWS: With a fairly dry fall providing very little precipitation, our water flows are still pretty good. We are currently running about 2 CFS as the lakes and ditches have frozen over for the winter. We are running water throughout the entire system and should have no lake dry up this winter.

FOR SALE LIST: Is no longer part of the “Troutline” but is located on the MML website. Please contact Shaun Mulligan (303-513-0624) if you wish to list a membership or other items for sale.

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 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 the 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 updated with the most current information.

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 money, we remove three dumpsters after Labor Day weekend and have the current dumpsters dumped every other week during the winter instead of every week. 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. Last fall, we found steel pipes, barbed wire, and various sorts of hardware throughout the pile. We planned to burn after the first snowfall in November, but with the little snow and very dry conditions, Lake County was not giving out burn permits. With cooler weather and

precipitation in the forecast, we hope to burn in the next couple of weeks. If you would like to help burn, please contact Brent at 719-293-5441.

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.

The BOD and staff of MML wish all members and their families a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. Thank you for a great fishing season. See you next spring.