

# MOUNT MASSIVE LAKES, INC.

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"A Tradition of Fishing Excellence"

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## TROUTLINE                      FEBRUARY 2016

**NEXT BOARD MEETING:** April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2016. Rampart Supply, 1801 N. Union Blvd., Colorado Springs, at 9:30 a.m. The BOD will be finalizing the 2016/2017 budget at this meeting. Please feel free to attend and share your ideas.

**ELECTIONS BOD:** Any member wishing to run for a term as Director please contact Colin Perry at 719-482-7308 or colinp@rampartsupply.com. The BOD elections will be held at the annual meeting in May.

**ANNUAL MEETING:** The annual meeting will be held on May 21, 2016. We will begin at 1:00 p.m. in the club shop.

**NEW MML MAILBOX:** The Club has recently acquired a new mailbox at the local post office. The new Mount Massive Lakes address is:

PO Box 1981  
Leadville, CO 80461

**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 has recently talked about going to see the ocean. 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.

**ROADS:** Club roads are managed in three tiers:

1. All weather roads for the year around management of the club.
2. Primary fishermen roads that allow about 80% of our fishermen access to the lakes (ex: around Snowden or #6).

### 3. All other roads.

If you have a cabin or travel the tier 3 roads be advised that, except for general maintenance once a year, these roads will not be weatherized until all the other roads are weatherized.

If members, their guests or their contractors abuse or misuse any roads the responsible member can expect to receive a bill to repair that road.

When roads become full of water, please refrain from going around the hole/puddle. We don't want to ruin the vegetation or create a bigger hole. We repair these issue areas with road base or slag when the time is appropriate.

**2016 RAINBOW STOCKING:** We will be stocking our 2016 Triploid rainbows on May 2, June 6, 27, July 5, 25, and August 15. We expect to stock 16,325 catchables this year. We will restart the super catchable program in 2017. If you would like to help stock on any of these dates, please contact Brent at 719-293-5441.

**2016 TRIPLOID RAINBOWS:** We currently have 15,313 triploids and they are 16" long. These fish are slightly larger than the 2015 Hofers were at this time last year. We also have 2,583 Cutbows that we will also add to this stocking class, these fish are 13.5" long. We will stock these Cutbows last to utilize the summer to grow them to larger size. These fish are currently in New Pond, Pasture Pond, Pond 2, and Hatchery Pond.

**2017 KAMLOOPS RAINBOWS:** We currently have 21,551 and they are 10". These fish will be grown all next summer to become our catchables in 2017 and we will hold back 2,500 for our super catchable program in 2018. These fish will also be part of our 2016 INAD-SLICE program. This program controls gill lice, a problematic parasite that attacks our rainbow trout. For more information about this program, please see the attachment under the Managers Corner section of the club website.

**2018 TRIPLOID RAINBOWS:** Our triploids are growing fast and they are already at 1.8". We currently have 38,584. When these triploids reach 3" this spring, we will grade them and save the biggest 28,000. Grading will allow us to keep the bigger fish, keep uniform size, and gives us an accurate number of remaining fish. These fish are on spring water which is consistently 48 degrees. As these fish keep growing, we will continue to move them into more tanks to keep them thinned out and healthy.

**2016 BROWN TROUT:** We currently have 5,250 and they are 1.2". In 2013 and 2014 we received brown trout eggs from Colorado Parks and Wildlife. This program offered us the opportunity to provide new genetics into the Mount Massive Lakes brown trout population. Our 2016 brown trout are from MML brown trout eggs and are growing well. When these fish reach 3", we will stock 2,695 into Lakes 6,7,8,9,10,11,12,15,18, and 20.

**2016 CUTTHROAT TROUT:** Our cutthroat trout are growing very well. We have 3,747 and they are 3.2". Over the past three years we have been able to start a brood stock for these fish in Lakes 5 and 12. We expect those fish to spawn and take eggs from these fish this spring. We will stock 1,350 fingerlings into Lakes 2,3,7,8,12,15,20 at ice off.

**WATER FLOWS:** Our water flows have been stable and we are still running water throughout the entire system. We recently had a snowstorm which brought about 12"-15" of snow to the club. According to Colorado SNOTEL, the Arkansas River Basin is at 123% snowpack. Although this number is hard to relate to the club, Weston Pass has a considerable amount of snow. In order to have a good water year, we rely on late winter/spring snow storms to add to the current snowpack, along with a cool spring to allow spring runoff at a steady rate.

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

**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. 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.

**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.