

MOUNT MASSIVE LAKES, INC.

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"A Tradition of Fishing Excellence"

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TROUTLINE JUNE 2016

NEXT BOARD MEETING: July 2nd, 2016 @ 9 a.m. in the Clubhouse. Please stop in and share your ideas.

PICNIC: The Club's annual picnic will be held on Saturday, July 2nd, at noon at the shop. All attending are asked to bring your own tableware (plates and utensils) and a main dish. **Even** numbered cabins, please bring a salad. **Odd** numbered cabins, please bring a dessert. Sodas will be provided.

CONDOLENCES: Mount Massive Lakes recently lost two passionate members. Board Member **Marvin Sucharski** passed away March 31 after a relatively short battle with cancer. Marv loved MML and always had a big smile every time you saw him. He loved fishing himself but loved sharing the sport of fishing with his friends and family even more. There is more about Marv on the member's section of the MML website. Long time MML member **Don Enright** passed away May 18th just days before the Annual Meeting. Don became a member of MML in 1974. Having fished all over the world, Don ranking MML second only to Alaska! Don passed away at home as a result of congestive heart failure. Our thoughts and prayers are with these families.

ANNUAL MEETING 2016:

- Kevin Lentz was elected to serve as a Board Member.
- The proposed budget for 2016/2017 was passed, setting the dues at \$2385. Dues are due by July 1.

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

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 strong going forward.

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.

2016 RAINBOW STOCKING: We will be stocking our 2016 Triploid rainbows on June 6, 27, July 5, 25, and August 15. We have 11,418 catchables left to stock, which is consistent with our catchable stocking goal for 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 8,887 triploids and they are 17.5" long. We also have 2,531 Cutbows that we will add to this stocking class, these fish are 15.5" long. These two classes of fish are growing very well and are healthy. The Cutbows will be stocked last so we can utilize warm water during the summer months to help them attain a normal stocking size. These fish are currently in New Pond, Pond 2, and Hatchery Pond.

2017 KAMLOOPS RAINBOWS: We currently have 20,780 and they are 11.5". These fish will be grown all summer to become our catchables in 2017, plus we will hold back 2,500 for our super catchable program for 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. These fish are currently in Jones Pond, Pasture 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.

2018 TRIPLOID RAINBOWS: Our triploids are healthy and growing fast. They are seven months old and already 4.5". We currently have 29,084. We graded these fish in April and kept around 29,000. Grading allows us to keep the bigger fish, keep uniform size, and gives us an accurate number of remaining fish. Instead of only keeping 28,000, we decided to keep 29,000 to help with disease and predation throughout the summer until we grade them again this fall. We will keep 24,000 this fall when they get graded for the last time, which is also more compared to previous years, to help with winter predation from bald eagles and coyotes. We will put these fish into Jones Pond, Pond 1, and Hatchery Pond for the winter. The water temperatures have been rising slightly and 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 more raceways, ponds and tanks to keep them thinned out and healthy.

2016 BROWN TROUT: We currently have 7,264 and they are 2.5". Our 2016 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 July. We will stock 2,545 into Lakes 6, 8, 9, 10, 12, 15, 18, and 20.

2017 CUTTHROAT TROUT SPAWNING: Over the past three years we have been able to start a brood stock for these fish in Lakes 5 and 12. We expect these fish to spawn and we hope to take eggs from these fish in June. We stocked 1,250 3.7" fingerlings into Lakes 2,3,8, and 12 on April 21st. We also stocked 200 cutthroats from our 2015 class into Lake 7 at the same time. These fish were 7.2" long. These two year classes of cutthroat stocked into Lake 7 will provide more cutthroat trout fishing opportunities and also create another broodstock. Our traps are in and so far the cutthroat have not started spawning yet. With warmer temperatures in the forecast, we expect the water to begin to warm up which will trigger these fish to begin running.

2016 TIGER TROUT: We currently have 1,934 and they are 2.4". We plan to stock 800 into Lakes 2,15,21, and 26 when they reach 3" around August 1st. We had an excellent egg take this year, 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. The super catchable program will be resurrected. However, fish 19" or larger cannot be produced until 2017. **Therefore all fish 19" or larger must be returned to the water immediately.** If you see anyone violating this rule, please get the badge number and notify staff at 719-293-5441 or 719-293-5423.

RETIREMENT: A gracious thank you to MML members, its BOD and staff for the awesome retirement gift. Shelly and I will put it to good use. It has been a pleasure to work for MML for 34 years. Much was accomplished primarily due to the support, enthusiasm and help from the membership. To be a part of the success and the progress that was achieved has been extremely rewarding. Although difficult, stepping aside was necessary. Managing and maintaining MML requires youthful strength, attitude and endurance. Unfortunately, all of these qualities diminish with age. Effectiveness and efficiency are sacrificed with the effects on these of age. Keeping MML a "Tradition of Fishing Excellence" requires that these attributes are personified in the staff. Not to worry, MML's future is as bright as the past because the young staff, Brent and Bryan, are committed, dedicated, self- motivated, intelligent and well trained.

Thank you for the great ride. Greg

WATER FLOWS: We had two snow storms come through in April which considerably helped the snowpack on Weston Pass. As of the last week of May, the Arkansas Valley was 158% snowpack. We are currently taking our full 8 CFS water right as the spring runoff has begun this week. All 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. 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, 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. The Lake County Landfill is located at 1500 CR 6, Leadville, CO 80461. The hours are 8am to 5pm, Friday – Tuesday.

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.

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.