

FROM ALL OF US AT WAY NORTH LODGE

Way North Lodge had a really great season this year. The ice was out early, the weather was hot, and the fishing was supreme. We were glad to see a lot of new faces again at the lodge this year and Way North would not be the same without our return guests. There were a lot of good times and friendships made this season. Thank you to everyone!!!

LOOK AT FROSTY GO...

In late May our guests woke up to about 3 inches of fluffy white powder on the ground. What else is there to do when you can't fish and in the midst of snow... build a snowman!!! Needless to say Frosty didn't stick around for long. It warmed up and they got right back out in search of the big one and of course the story to take back to all their family and friends.



WHAT A YEAR OF WILD FIRES

With the warm temperatures and lack of rain – 2011 was a hectic season for forest fires in our area. It was like I95 on South and North Trout with all the water bomber activity. Unfortunately for one our groups they were not able to fish Favourable due to poor visibility from the smoke. The Sandy Lake Reserve was evacuated and Clint was advised to have our guests ready to go just in case they were next. Thanks to Mother Nature the winds stayed in the right direction and the temperatures started to cool.



LODGE ENHANCEMENTS

When Russ first stepped off the plane... to his surprise the lodge had changed so much since last he had been there. I am not sure Russ knew what he was in for when he decided to return this season. Clint, Dennis, and Russ have been working so hard at the many improvements to the lodge and its facilities over the past years. Thanks Guys...



WAY NORTH LODGE

FLY-IN FISHING & HUNTING

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2011 Fishing

Fishing was a little slow to start this season despite the early ice out and the warmer temperatures. Mother Nature did manage to give us two cold fronts right as the guests arrived into the lodge and that was enough to delay fishing for a short period at least. Once the weather warmed up, the weed beds got good and lush for the northern, this resulting in exceptional northern fishing right through into September. The walleye fishing was outstanding as usual - it's never a boring past time. The fall trout fishing was sporadic as it was very warm so the trout did not come shallow to spawn as in years past. Our biggest Northern this year was caught by Pete Kondrup, measuring 45 inches - Al it is up to you next year!!!



MOOSE HUNTS

The moose hunts were very frustrating for our guests this season as the night time temperatures stayed in the 50's and got up to the mid-70's during the day which caused the moose to move through the night. The trail camera showed pictures of 4 different Bull Moose all moving between the hours of 12:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

WINTER PLANS

Our Canadian winter has been a mild one so far... Clint is gathering his crew and will hopefully be heading to the lodge at some point in February for the winter hauls. With the lack of snow the ice roads should be good this year - if it ever gets cold enough to make ice!

SPORT SHOW CHICAGO

Due to unforeseen scheduling conflicts - Way North Lodge will not be attending the Chicago Sport Show this year. It would have been great to see everyone and hopefully we will see you in the summer of 2012.

Bragging may not bring happiness, but no man having caught a large fish goes home through an alley.

~Author Unknown