



Dear Friend of Weatherby's,

Winter 2017

2017 will be our 16th season operating Weatherby's, and one thing we can tell you is there is nothing routine about running a sporting camp in the Maine woods. We find challenges around every corner and everyday brings a new adventure. From marketing, maintenance, state regulation to staffing - fishing and hunting are the easy parts!



In July 2016, we were awarded the **Best of Maine** by **DownEast Magazine** for Maine sporting camps. This is an honor to be considered the best by such a respected publication, in an era when the idea of vacationing at traditional fishing and hunting lodges in Maine is declining overall. We are strong, thanks to our clients and continue to make needed improvements to our infrastructure and to our offerings, while maintaining our flexibility and a savvy approach to marketing and service.



In September we hosted a film crew from **Facing Waves**, a paddle sport show featuring Maine's North Woods and our premiere paddling river - the St. Croix. The show was sponsored by Maine Tourism and Maine Woods Discovery, and we look forward to seeing the show air on ESPN

and the Outdoor Channel this winter.

Most recently, an article featuring our Iceland fishing trips will be featured in **The Angling Report**, written by former fishing editor/writer for Outdoor Life Magazine, Jerry Gibbs. Highlights of the article will be not only the fishing opportunities that we offer, but also how we can put together quality, all inclusive fishing packages in Iceland for much less than you could ever imagine. Consider joining us this year!

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We are pleased to announce the return of most of our staff for 2017 that will include **Wesley Hodges** as Lodge Manager, **Bonnie Gagner** at the leader of our Maine Woods cuisine, and **Lisa Wentworth** and **Marilyn Renaud** as our head wait and cleaning staff.



We are changing our rate structure for 2017 - but don't panic! We will include a modest rate increase of 1.5%, which is our first increase in over five seasons. However we will now including beer and wine in our pricing and will revert to the system we started with in 2003 that includes a 15% service fee in our daily rates for cabin and dining service. The outcome for you will be clear pricing with no add on's. We are the **ONLY** lodge in New England that includes lodging, meals, beer, wine, use of waders, fly rods, spinning rods, canoes, kayaks, cell phone booster and WiFi. And we also maintain a full service **OR-VIS fly shop** on premise for your convenience. We believe that the more streamlined our services and pricing is for you, the better your experience will be at Weatherby's.

Finally, as you try to communicate with us via e-mail, phone, text, etc, remember these are not perfect technologies. Often we do not get messages just as our communications end up in spam filters or blocked. Please, if you do not hear back from us regarding questions or reservations, give us a call and leave a message if we don't answer! We are in this to make a living and do not intentionally not return calls or e-mail. We want you to visit us!

We are excited for the upcoming season and look forward to seeing you soon, our valued clients and friends.

All the Best in 2017!

**Jeff, Keaton, Carson, Wesley, Bonnie, Lisa, Marilyn, Bridget, Molly and Curly Fry**



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# 2016 20" Club Hall of Fame

The 2016 fishing season brought another proverbial boat load of big fish to the net. Although no records were set, you should have seen the ones that got away! Remember the anglers listed below **only claim** to have caught these fish. Often times there are no photos nor witnesses. These are real fish stories told by real fishermen. Fish of special notice this season include Lake Trout caught early season in Grand Lake Stream by **Keaton McEvoy** and **Mike O'brien**, as well as monster chain pickerel caught by **Matthew Budd** and **Robert Archacki**. And **Henry Whittemore** with his five salmon over 20 inches in one day (these are still disputed)!



DATE	ANGLER	SPECIES	SIZE	GUIDE
15-Apr	John Burrows	salmon	20+	Jeff
17-Apr	Keaton McEvoy	sucker	20+	
19-Apr	Keaton McEvoy	lake trout	22	
22-Apr	Keaton McEvoy	salmon	20+	
29-Feb	Mike O'Brien	lake trout	30+	
1-May	Stephen Kyros	salmon	20+	Todd
5-May	Dick Rockwell	salmon	20	Todd
10-May	Barbara White	salmon	20	Todd
10-May	Lane Soltesz	salmon	20+	Jeff
21-May	Doug Donovan	salmon	20	Todd
28-May	Garry Crago	salmon	20	
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28-May	Jack Estabrook	salmon	21	Roland
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25-May	Henry Whittemore	salmon	20+	
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28-May	Chris Vossler	salmon	22	
1-Jun	John Toler	pickerel	21	Jeff
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3-Jun	Adrian Jenkis	pickerel	20	Todd
9-Jun	Art Sell	pickerel	22	
9-Jun	Emerson Cannon	pickerel	22	
10-Jun	Jim Miller	pickerel	23	Jeff
11-Jun	Jim Shaughnessy	pickerel	21	Bill
9-Jun	Garry Crago	salmon	20	
11-Jun	Garry Crago	salmon	20	
9-Jul	Cormac Pinney	pickerel	21	
19-Jul	Tom Holmes	pickerel	22	
11-Jul	Josh Johnson	smallmouth	20+	Brett
15-Jul	Meg Schoen	pickerel	22	Steve
15-Jul	Anna Schoen	smallmouth	20	Brett
20-Jul	Gordon Partin	smallmouth	20	Jeff
21-Jul	George Partin	pickerel	24	Jeff
22-Jul	Eric Partin	pickerel	20+	Jeff
28-Jul	Bob Karr	pickerel	20+	Steve
28-Jul	Steve Karr	pickerel	20+	John
31-Jul	Luke Simpson	pickerel	20+	
29-Jul	Dick Rockwell	smallmouth	20	Todd
5-Aug	Jack Kincus	smallmouth	20	Mac
8-Aug	Malcolm Shurtieff	pickerel	21	
8-Aug	Malcolm Shurtieff	pickerel	24	
7-Aug	Davina Pearl	pickerel	22	Jeff
12-Aug	Sam Reitzas	smallmouth	20	Steve
13-Aug	Robert Archacki	pickerel	22	Jeff
13-Aug	Robert Archacki	pickerel	25	Jeff
16-Aug	Matthew Budd	smallmouth	21	Ray
16-Aug	Linnea Whitton	smallmouth	20	Jeff
18-Aug	Matthew Budd	pickerel	26	JR
16-Aug	Carmille Solmita	smallmouth	20	
26-Aug	Craig Moffatt	salmon	20+	
26-Aug	Craig Moffatt	lake trout	29	Ray
3-Sep	Carl Hoffman	smallmouth	20	Chris
3-Sep	Carl Hoffman	smallmouth	21	Chris
17-Oct	Jason Bowman	salmon	20	
20-Oct	Lou Zambello	salmon	20	
20-Oct	Henry Whittemore	salmon	22	
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20-Oct	Lou Zambello	salmon	22	





Upland Hunting at Weatherby's



Every fall, the cooler weather and change of foliage mark the start of our upland season on October 1. Both dogs and hunters anxiously anticipate opening day with unbridled excitement. Boots are oiled, shotguns checked and our best friends - the bird dogs - are spoiled. The preseason preparations are a ritual that all upland hunters know. At Weatherby's, it is no different. We love to hunt, but don't take ourselves too seriously. It is about the woods, fresh air, wildlife, foliage, a few birds - but mostly about the dogs. There is nothing like following a good bird dog through the woods of down east Maine in search of wild grouse and woodcock. Consider joining us for a hunt this fall and experience our grand tradition, that being upland hunting at Weatherby's!

Never hunted, but curious to learn about it? Weatherby's has been introducing dozens of individuals to upland hunting and firearm safety over the years, thanks to Maine Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife and the apprentice hunter's license. This category of license allows someone that has never hunted before to experience the sport under the tutelage of a Registered Maine Hunting Guide. This license creates a tremendous opportunity for kids and adults to "try out" hunting without committing to a full hunter's safety course, which can be time consuming and a deterrent for bringing new hunters into the sport. When you stay and hunt at Weatherby's with a guide, we will teach you firearm and hunter safety. We will take you into the field to shoot rifles and shotguns, shoot clay targets and finally take you into the woods with bird dogs to hunt wild grouse and woodcock. It is a win-win for all parties and folks can experience what hunting is all about. Give us a call to discuss options for you or your kids. Make 2017 your year to experience upland hunting at Weatherby's! Of course experienced hunters may always join us for a

hunt in Grand Lake Stream for grouse, woodcock and waterfowl - guided or unguided. Limitless cover, open access, excellent flush rates.

October in Grand Lake Stream is also time for our fall run of spawning salmon. We fish until October 20 so it is possible to mix a little fishing with your hunt and we offer fall specials to help accommodate a cast and blast option for you.



Iceland 2017 - Atlantic Salmon and Sea-Run Brown Trout



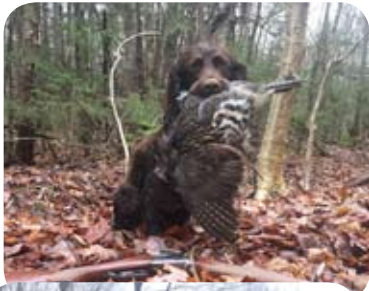
Weatherby's offered its first international fishing trip in 2014 to fish the legendary waters of Iceland for Atlantic salmon and sea trout. The adventure, by all accounts was a resounding success and we have continued to offer sold out trips each year since. We will be returning to Iceland again this year to fish the same rivers - Haukadal-sa for salmon and the Eldvatn for sea trout, The dates of the 2017 trip will be August 31 - September 7, fishing three days on each

river, one night in Reykjavik and one night in Keflavik - for a total of eight nights in country. Total price per person all inclusive with the exception of airfare is \$3895 DO. We are offering this trip as inexpensively as possible with very little margin. If you are interested in joining the adventure in 2017, please let us know soon. This year's trip will be featured in the Angling Report this winter which will fill our trip quickly!

Call us at 877-796-5558 to reserve your spot.



North Woods Grouse Camp 2017



Most grouse hunters put down their shotguns by the end of October, even though grouse hunting season runs through to the end of December. Typically early November can provide some of the best grouse hunting of the season with cold temps and good visibility in the woods. We will be hunting into the first week of November 2017, guiding small parties of hunters in the "big woods" of northern Maine. Grouse populations tend to run high in this region of the state with some days producing 30+ grouse flushes. We utilize rustic spike camps in the Allagash region that will be able to accommodate a large group or multiple smaller groups. The hunts will be fully guided and outfitted 2:1, meals included. The cabins are clean, comfortable and warm. There will be no running water or electricity, adding to the ambiance of the hunt. This is a hunt for the hunter that loves grouse hunting and can live without all the modern amenities. If you are interested in joining us on a hunt, you will not be disappointed. The Allagash Country will lure you deeper and deeper into the wilderness and the rewards from hunting, camaraderie, wildlife sightings and overall experience will be first rate. Our 2016 hunts saw fair grouse numbers and good weather. We ran into significant numbers of woodcock both weeks, but typically the first week of our hunt produces more woodcock. Wildlife sightings were good - including moose, Canada Lynx, coyotes, fisher, snowshoe hare, snow buntings, pine grosbeaks, ravens, bald eagles, golden eagles and numerous other bird species. Consider joining us in 2017 for this unique wilderness hunting experience. You will not be disappointed.

Four nights, three days guided hunting, double occupancy, all meals - \$1495 PP, minimum two guns.





# Learn to Fly Fish at Weatherby's

Have you always wanted to learn to fly fish like the pros but didn't know where to start? Come to Weatherby's and learn from the best! Our professional guides and instructors can teach you all you need to know to get started in the sport or teach you the skills you need to progress to the next level. We offer fixed dates for group schools and offer private instruction to individuals, couples and groups when it is most convenient for you. Call us to discuss options so we can plan a few days that will teach you what you need most. Consider our **Woman's School** scheduled for June 16-19, 2017.



**Four nights of meals and lodging and three full days of instruction/guided fishing:** \$1495 per person. Includes all meals and lodging for four days, use of equipment, instruction for three days, Does not include license, beer/wine, tax/gratuity. We offer a one time 20% discount on any ORVIS product to all fishing school participants.

## Recommended Reading 2017

Knife Creek  
By Paul Doiron

When Maine game warden Mike Bowditch is tasked with shooting wild boars that are tearing up the forest and farms in his district, he makes a horrific discovery of the body of a baby buried in a shallow grave. Even more disturbing: DNA tests link the infant to a young woman who has been missing and presumed dead after she disappeared from a group rafting trip four years earlier.

As he assists the reopened investigation, Bowditch begins to suspect that some of his neighbors aren't who they seem to be. When violence strikes close to home, he realizes that his unknown enemies will stop at nothing to keep their terrible secrets. Mike Bowditch has bucked the odds his whole career, but this time the intrepid warden may have finally followed his hunches one step too far.



**Fishing and Upland Hunting Web Sites Worth Visiting**  
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[www.midcurrent.com](http://www.midcurrent.com) - Fly Fishing at its Best  
[www.uplandjournal.com](http://www.uplandjournal.com) - a great New England bird hunting resource  
[www.projecthealingwaters.org](http://www.projecthealingwaters.org) - Fly fishing for wounded veterans.  
[www.anglingreport.com](http://www.anglingreport.com) - The Angling Report – Serving the Angler who Travels  
[www.moldychum.com](http://www.moldychum.com) - Fly Fishing Conservation - Served Fresh Daily  
[www.mainflyfish.com](http://www.mainflyfish.com) - Everything else you don't want to know about fishing in Maine

## Rake Fest 2017 - Join the fun!

Every Spring, we host a group of hearty anglers, and more importantly - rakers, for a weekend of work /fishing, story telling and music in front of the fire. Scheduled dates for Rake Fest 2017 are April 29 and 30. We are always looking for new members of the elite club of Rakefesters. We even have our own private label beer named after the event! Give Jeff a call if



you would like to be included in this year's fun. A little raking, a little fishing, a lot of food and beer. How can you go wrong? Although sometimes early for the best salmon fishing, often Rakefest Weekend offers excellent early season salmon fishing, typically with streamers and nymphs. The fish are hungry!

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### To See All of Our 2017 Lodging Specials

Make this the year to take your family fishing at Weatherby's in Grand Lake Stream! **Kids 15 and under stay FREE in July and August**



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## 2017 Rates

### American Plan

#### Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner / Day / Person

All inclusive pricing. Meals, lodging, beer, house wine, equipment and 15% service charge.

**Adult** \$229.00 May 21 - June 30 and Sept. 15-close  
\$199 May 1-May 20 and July 1-Sept.14  
**Children 10-15 yrs**, \$75.00 (Free July/August\*)  
**Children 4-9 yrs**, \$55.00 (Free July/August\*)

**Guide service-** \$300/day/one or two people fish  
\$475/day/one or two-person upland hunt with dogs  
\$375/day/one or two-person upland hunt no dogs  
**Boat & Motor Rental** - \$75.00 per day  
**Fishing/Hunting licenses** - sold at camp  
**Dog Charge** \$15/day (except Oct/Nov)  
**Food & Lodging Tax** -9%  
**Canoe/Kayak** - No Charge  
**Orvis Fly or Spinning Rod** -No Charge  
**Orvis Waders** - No Charge

Airport shuttle available from Princeton or Bangor

### Housekeeping

#### Cabin only, no meals

\$70/adult, \$29/child under 16, under 4 free : Minumum nightly charge \$175, includes 15% service.

Personal Checks preferred VISA/MC/Discover Accepted



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