# Dear Friend of Weatherby's,

## Winter 2016

Another season has come and gone at Weatherby's and as we prepare for our 14th season, we can take a little time to reflect on the successes of our past season. A highlight once again was Molly's second litter of pups - six this year, all of which were healthy and rambunctious. They are now scattered from Nova Scotia to



Louisiana with friends and guests that fell in love with the breed while fishing and hunting with us. We also had some nice press in the October '15 Maine COVEYNTISE Magazine, which can be seen on our web site, as well as articles in Covey Rise and Eastern Fly Fishing thanks to outdoor writer and friend, King Montgomery.

We recently launched a new web site with online reservation capabilities that will hopefully make it easier for you to reserve a cabin for your trip with us. Check out our new look at www.weatherbys.com and let us know what you think. And we will be working with Cabelas this year to bring in new clients.

Our 2015 Iceland trip was a resounding success again with salmon runs significantly higher and better water levels as well. We are currently booking for our September 2016 trip and have a few spots remaining. If you are interested in joining us on this bucket list fly fishing journey, give us a call at 877-796-5558.



We continue working hard to get families outdoors and unplugged in the summer months, believing there is no better activity that you can do with your kids than to take them fishing. To that end we offer special rates for families with kids during the height of the summer where kids are FREE. If that doesn't encourage you to get the kids fishing, I don't know what will.

Our October upland season was excellent this year in Grand Lake Stream. We saw strong woodcock numbers locally with flight birds to boot. Our grouse numbers were also better than we have seen in several years, with many clients bagging their first grouse this year. Our North Woods Grouse Camp in the Allagash was very successful with two weeks of excellent weather late October and November that provided more than 20 grouse flushes per day on average - some days more. We will be revisiting the North woods again this fall so if you up for a big woods adventure, give us a call- space is limited.

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We are still utilizing Facebook for sharing photos and information about Weatherby's so if you are into the social media, please look us up and connect with our page.

Salmon fishing in Grand Lake Stream was burdened by low water much of our 2015 season, however our spring fishing was unaffected with incredibly high numbers of salmon in the stream. The fall fishing finished off strong in October once we got some much needed rain and stream flows increased. As al-

ways, our smallmouth fishery is excellent throughout the watershed and through the seasons, whether fishing our lakes or rivers.

Special thanks go out to our guests and friends, Pat and Jan Mabray in Louisiana for their generous hospitality while hunting on their family farm for deer and ducks during our Christmas break, successfully I might add.

And congratulations to our chef, Sarah Burgess and guide, Roland Sosa on the birth of their baby girl Penelope in September. Fortunately she was

not born in the kitchen, but was not far from it!



We are looking forward to sharing Weatherby's with you again in 2016 or for the first time this year. Let us help you create lasting memories for you and your family, and thank you for your continued patronage.

Best Fishes for 2016,

Jeff, Keaton, Carson and the Gang at Weatherby's



**Spaniel Power** Curly, Molly & Bridget







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# 2015 20" Club Hall of Fame

The 2015 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. Catches of special note include Sandy Wiss with two smallmouth over 20" on July 19 AND Sarah Burgess (our chef) landing a 20 inch baby girl named Penelope on September 10th. Congratulations Sarah and thanks to Rachel for getting Sarah to the hospital in Machias minutes before Penelope was born!

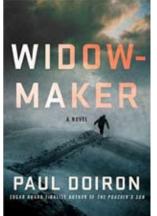
Date	Name	Species	Size	Guide
1-May	Dyk Euden	salmon	20+	
2-May	Dyk Euden	salmon	20+	
13-May	Steve Martin	salmon	20+	
14-May	Steve Martin	salmon	20+	
14-May	Clay Snowden	salmon	20+	
18-May	anonymous	salmon	21	Roland
18-May	anonymous	salmon	20+	Roland
18-May	anonymous	salmon	20	Roland
18-May	Gunnar Thorisson	pickerel	24	JR
19-May	Thomas Eschenroeder	salmon	20	
19-May	anonymous	salmon	21	Roland
19-May	Steve Grant	salmon	20+	
19-May	Stanley Munson	salmon	22	Todd
21-May	Rob Vossler	salmon	21	
22-May	Chris Vossler	salmon	21	
22-May	Peter Marra	salmon	22.5	
22-May	Peter Marra	salmon	20	
24-May	Jack Estabrook	salmon	20	Roland
24-May	Hal Estabrook	salmon	20	Roland
24-May	Susan Tenan	salmon	20	Todd
26-May	David Skillicorn	pickerel	21	Brett
29-May	Bob Cordner	salmon	20+	
30-May	Bob Kerton	salmon	20	Roland
30-May	Don Geisser	salmon	20	Roland
30-May	Richard Yamada	pickerel	23	Kim
3-Jun	Doug Chase	pickerel	21.5	Steve
4-Jun	Doug Chase	pickerel	20	Mike
5-Jun	Dylan Merrill	pickerel	21	Steve
5-Jun	Garry Crago	salmon	20	
6-Jun	Garry Crago	salmon	21+	
6-Jun	Garry Crago	salmon	20	
9-Jun	George Sherman	pickerel	23	Jeff
9-Jun	Peter Kunkel	pickerel	24	John
11-Jun	Erik Eaton	pickerel	20	Bob
12-Jun	Bob Ireland	salmon	20	Roland
13-Jun	Bob Ireland	salmon	20.5	Roland
13-Jun	Jake Kamar	pickerel	20	Brett
13-Jun	Philip Brown	pickerel	20	Brett
13-Jun	Steve Shadowen	pickerel	20	
13-Jun	George Hoffman	pickerel	20	
	Phil O'Connell	pickerel	20+	Bill R.





### Recommended Reading 2016

#### Widowmaker By Paul Doiron



Poacher's Son, The Trespasser, Bad Little Falls, Massacre Pond, The Bone Orchard, The Precipice and now the Widowmaker- the seventh novel in the critically acclaimed series about Maine Game Warden Michael Bowditch and his propensity to find trouble. Doiron's fourth book, Bone Orchard is centered in Grand Lake Stream and features the Pine Tree Store and Weatherby's. The story ends with dinner in Weatherby's dining room. I wonder where in Maine Widowmaker will take us?

Fishing and Upland Hunting Web Sites Worth Visiting www.weatherbys.com of course - check it out if you have never been there! www.facebook.com/weatherbys.sporting.lodge - Weatherby's on Facebook www.flyfishinginmaine.com - more than you care to know about fly fishing in Maine. www.midcurrent.com - Fly Fishing at its Best

www.moldychum.com - a little bit of everything fishy with a conservation twist www.uplandjournal.com - a great New England bird hunting resource www.projecthealingwaters.org - Fly fishing for wounded veterans.



#### Weatherby's Launches New Web Site and Online Reservation System

In an effort to keep up with technology and internet marketing, we have redesigned our web site and incorporated an online reservation system to streamline our reservations and deposits. Now you can go to our web site and see if your favorite cabin is available on the dates you would like to

come fishing or hunting and reserve it instantly. We hope this will save you time and phone calls but as always, you are welcome to call us too.





## Iceland on the Fly 2016 - 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 with all anglers catching salmon and trout, and producing more fish than the season average by other anglers fishing the same water. Our 2015 trip saw even more success with some of the best salmon runs seen in Iceland in years. We will be returning to Iceland again in 2016 to fish the same rivers

- Haukadalsa for salmon and the Eldvatn for sea trout, and spending two nights in Reykjavik - between rivers and prior to departing for the US. The dates of the 2016 trip will be August 31 through September 8, fishing three days on each river for a total of eight nights in country. Total price per person all inclusive with the exception of airfare is \$3795. We are offering this trip as inexpensively aspossible with very little margin. If you are interested in joining the adventure in 2016, please let us know.





## North Woods Grouse Camp 2016



Most grouse hunters put down their shotguns by the end of October, even though grouse hunting season runs through 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. Our North Woods Camp is scheduled for the last week of October and the first two weeks of November 2016, 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 will be renting a couple of rustic spike camps in the Allagash region that will be able to accommodate a party of four adults. 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 2015 hunts were very successful with fine weather and excellent grouse numbers in most areas. The wildlife sightings were good - including moose, bear, white-tailed deer, Canada Lynx, coyotes, fisher, snowshoe hare, snow buntings, ravens, bald eagles and numerous other bird species. Consider joining us in 2016 for this unique wilderness hunting opportunity.

Four nights, three days guided hunting, double occupancy, all meals - \$1450 PP, minimum four guns. Call Jeff for more info or to reserve your space at 877-796-5558. Longer hunts are welcome and will be pro-rated on a daily basis.



# 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, 2016.

Four nights of meals and lodging and three full days of instruction/guided fishing:

\$1299 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.



### Drift or Canoe the St. Croix River

In recent years, we have been exploring new waters within striking distance of Weatherby's and one of the options we offer now is a drift boat trip on the St. Croix River, fishing for smallmouth bass mid-season and landlocked salmon early season. We depart the lodge after breakfast and return in time for supper. The St. Croix is the international boundary between New Brunswick, Canada and Maine and is a National Heritage River for New Brunswick. It is wild, undeveloped and scenic - lined with tall white pines, spruce and fir. The water is pool -drop with endless options for catching smallmouth on the fly or spinning gear. Enjoy a lunch packed by the lodge on the river bank or share a cookout lunch with your family. We can also take double ended canoes or kayaks. Easy white water will greet you along the way providing a memorable way to spend the day.

Other options exist to canoe/kayak and fish several sections of the Machias River, Old Stream, Tomah Stream and others for wild brook trout and smallmouth bass. So if are looking for a variety of fishing opportunities that reach beyond the traditional fly fishing on Grand Lake Stream for salmon or smallmouth fishing from Grand Lake Canoes on Big Lake, West Grand, Wabassus, Ma-

chias, Grand Falls Flowage or any of our other traditionally fished waters, drifting the Croix or one of our other small streams makes for a great outing.







### Learn Upland Hunting at Weatherby's

Weatherby's, for the past several seasons, has introduced dozens of individuals to upland hunting and firearm safety 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 with a guide at Weatherby's, 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 2016 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.

## Visit weatherbys.com



To See All of Our 2016 Lodging Specials

Make this the year to take your family fishing at Weatherby's in Grand Lake Stream! Kids 16 and under stay FREE in July and August

## **2016 Rates**

American Plan
Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner / Day / Person

Adult \$189.00 May 21 - June 30 and Sept. 15-close \$159 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

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Food & Lodging Tax -8%
Gratuity - recommended 15-20%

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

\$60/adult, \$25/child under 16, under 4 free : Minumum nightly charge \$150

Personal Checks preferred VISA/MC/Discover Accepted



For more information and package pricing visit us online at

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