



GRAND LAKE STREAMER

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Dear Friend of Weatherby's,

Winter/Spring 2023

It is hard to believe we have three years of COVID behind us and life is beginning to normalize for most. COVID seems to be part of our everyday lives now, but we are still taking it seriously and will continue to follow our COVID protocols and encourage all of our clients to be aware of and sensitive to personal health and the health of our other clients in 2023. We have managed to escape any outbreaks at our lodge and owe a huge thanks to our staff and guests for taking the necessary steps to keep us all safe.



2022 was again a record breaking season for us - **our 20th year at Weatherby's** New trip offerings, new staff and some awesome new guides have made our busiest season one of our smoothest. Hats off to our Operations Manager - **Abbey Michaud** - for successfully taking on a big job running Weatherby's while taking full time remote college courses through the University of Southern Maine.



We saw some excellent media coverage this past season - beginning with **Maine Life Media** creating a 30 minute news show about Peterson's Guide Service and Weatherby's operation. The show is viewable at the Maine Life YouTube channel, Season 7, Episode 18 - "Grand Lake Stream."



We were also graced by Christine and Cam from **Maine The Way** in October - a multi-channel digital and print platform that promotes Maine to their 83k social media followers. Keaton fished with them for salmon on Grand Lake Stream and Jeff took them upland hunting for a day. Superb photos to come, but check out Christine and Cam in the meantime at www.mainetheway.com.



MAINE THE WAY

Maine Magazine continues to make our dogs famous - this time with a feature story on upland hunting with our flushing English cocker spaniels. Great story and photos online at www.themainemag.com and in the November '22 issue - mostly photos of GUS, our highly photogenic, spirited and enthusiast four year old male.



And Most exciting is an article in Volume 14, Issue 2 of **The Fly Fish Journal** that features Keaton (daughter of Weatherby's) as a modern day fly fishing guide at Weatherby's. We are all very proud:) Make this year the season you fish with Keaton!

Our remote trips on the **Roach River and West Branch of the Penobscot River** were a big hit in 2022. The **Roach River** is famous for wild land-locked salmon and wild brook trout. These trips are three nights camping on Moosehead lake just minutes from the river with two and a half days of guided fishing. The **West Branch of the Penobscot** trip is a wilderness canoe camping

and fishing adventure in late September. This trip is classic Maine outdoor experience following in the paddle strokes of Thoreau and fishing for wild landlocked salmon at the peak of our spectacular autumn foliage. This is an off grid four night three full days of fishing with a half day of canoe travel on either end. You will want to make this one an annual trip for sure. Space is extremely limited for both trips so if you are interested, contact us ASAP.

Whether you are looking for world-class fly fishing for landlocked salmon, family fishing vacations, woman's fly fishing or paddleboarding schools, unrivaled smallmouth fishing or upland hunting opportunities - we can help you plan a trip to match your interests and budget. Kids stay FREE during July and August! We love hosting family groups, reunions and non-profit organizations that use fly fishing and the Maine outdoors for their classroom.

New to Weatherby's in 2023 will be **Creek and Timber Legacy**- an organization serving veterans, first responders and children with serious illness - helping to enrich their lives through unrivaled outdoor experience. Learn more at www.creekandtimberlegacy.org.

And don't forget we are an **Orvis** dealer and can assist you in acquiring the right gear for any fishing you are planning anywhere in the world. We can ship in stock items to your doorstep for free.

Looking forward to seeing you in 2023!

The Weatherby's Gang



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West Branch of the Penobscot and the Fox Hole

This gem of a trip is a combination canoe camping and fly fishing adventure. The journey will begin at the confluence of Lobster Stream and the West Branch. You will spend much of the first afternoon traveling down river to our base camp that will be waiting for you. Your guides will prepare fine meals and cater to your angling needs during your four nights on the river. You will fish for three full days before traveling back up river on day five. The fishing is for wild landlocked salmon by casting primarily streamers, wet flies and nymphs and you will get around by canoe and or wading, depending on stream flows. Wildlife may include moose, deer, beavers, otters, osprey, bald eagles and more. Combined with crisp fall days, cool September nights, good food and better bourbon, this is a bucket list trip for some and an annual event for many. Space is limited. Available dates are September 23-27, 2023 and September 27- October 1, 1 2023. Four anglers. Cost \$1842 PP, DO



Roach River - Spencer Bay, Moosehead Lake

Consider joining us for our guided Roach River fishing trip for wild pre-spawn Maine brook trout and wild pre-spawn landlocked salmon. We will camp on the shores of Moosehead Lake just minutes from the sacred waters of the Roach River, which is managed by Maine Fisheries as a wild brook trout and salmon spawning river. The fish are fat and



strong, fresh out of Moosehead Lake - Maine's largest lake. As these fish are fresh from Moosehead, they are willing to take big streamer flies, but nymphing can also be very productive. Our dates are scheduled for early September and will include three nights camping with two and a half days of guided fishing, with all your meals and camping equipment. Available dates for 2023 are September 10-13, 13-16, 16-19. Cost \$1150 PP, DO.



Upland Hunting at Weatherby's

Every fall, the cooler weather and change of foliage mark the start of our upland season on September 25. 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 we 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 downeast 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 introduced many 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 to 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 2023 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 25 so it is possible to mix little fishing with your hunt and we offer fall specials to help accommodate a cast and blast option for you.



NEW COURSE - Learn to Paddle Board on the Downeast Lakes

Beginning the summer of 2023 we will be offering stand-up paddle board tours with Registered Maine Guide Laurie Bernier. Sign up for basic instruction, day tours or join an overnight tour which will include camping on one of several beautiful lakes nearby. Group tours will be focused on basic techniques, route planning and safety. If you have always wanted to travel by paddle board Laurie is the guide to show you how to do it - for day travel or overnight. Consider this alternative to our traditional fishing and canoeing offerings (you can even bring a fishing rod if you want to). Bring your own board, or use one of ours!



Dates for the overnight will be August 30/31 \$475 PP max four people

Dates for day instructional programs - August 21,22 and 23. Cost: \$250 PP max four people.



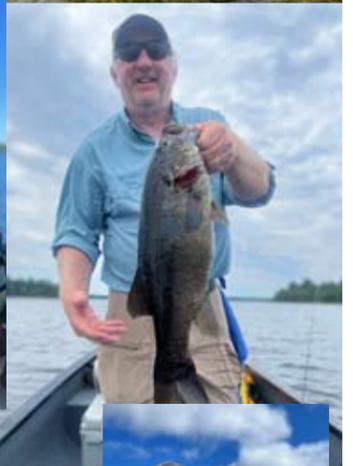
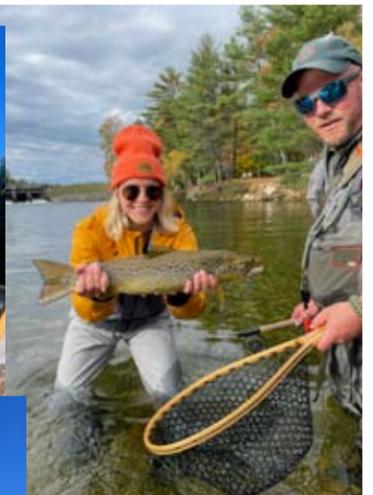
2022 20" Club Hall of Fame

The 2022 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 anglers. The 2022 list although not the largest we have recorded, contains some of the nicest salmon and largest largemouth we have seen to date. Fish of particular significance include a 27 inch smallmouth bass caught by Courtney Hollen (combined length of two smaller bass on one lure).



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|--------|--------------------|----------|----|----------|
| 4-Aug | Wendell Ogden | sm bass | 21 | Jon P |
| 4-Aug | Andy Ogden | sm bass | 22 | Jon P |
| 7-Aug | Nathaniel Malm | pickerel | 20 | Jon P |
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| 7-Aug | Nathaniel Malm | pickerel | 22 | Jon P |
| 15-Aug | Owen Stevenson | sm bass | 20 | Jon P |
| 16-Aug | Ian Stevenson | sm bass | 20 | Jon P |
| 16-Aug | Max McCrann | pickerel | 21 | Keaton |
| 16-Aug | Paddy McCrann | pickerel | 22 | Keaton |
| 16-Aug | Susan McGowan | pickerel | 24 | Nate B |
| 16-Aug | Wade McGowan | lm bass | 21 | Nate B |
| 12-Sep | David Charles | salmon | 20 | Jon P |
| 25-Sep | Mike Bewersdorf | salmon | 21 | Jon P |
| 29-Sep | Jay Hamilton | salmon | 20 | Keaton |
| 5-Oct | Doug Wright | salmon | 20 | Hamilton |
| 5-Oct | Matt Rohlfing | pickerel | 24 | Nate B |
| 5-Oct | John Kelleher | salmon | 21 | |
| 8-Oct | Andrew Allen | salmon | 21 | Jon P |
| 8-Oct | Nathaniel Lowe | salmon | 21 | Keaton |
| 9-Oct | Nathaniel Lowe | salmon | 20 | Jon P |
| 9-Oct | Charles Wilmerding | salmon | 21 | Hamilton |
| 12-Oct | Patrick Nowich | salmon | 20 | |
| 12-Oct | Brian Goldberg | salmon | 22 | |
| 13-Oct | Rob Cotiaux | salmon | 22 | Robb |
| 13-Oct | Dave Millar | salmon | 20 | |
| 13-Oct | Dave Millar | salmon | 22 | |
| 15-Oct | Gabby Rogers | salmon | 21 | |
| 19-Oct | Carter Harrison | salmon | 21 | |
| 25-Oct | Garry Crago | salmon | 20 | |

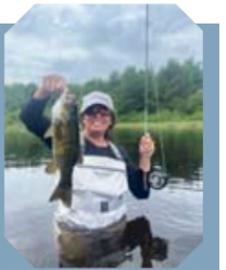
| Date | Angler Name | Species | Size | Guide |
|--------|--------------------|----------|------|----------|
| 9-May | Lili Liu | pickerel | 22 | Jon P |
| 13-May | Luke Curran | salmon | 20 | Hamilton |
| 10-May | Rick Spleen | salmon | 20 | Hamilton |
| 12-May | Rick Spleen | salmon | 20 | Hamilton |
| 21-May | Patrice Hampson | salmon | 21 | Tripp |
| 23-May | Tom Stoneback | pickerel | 20 | Jon L |
| 23-May | Andrew Richter | salmon | 22 | Brett |
| 25-May | Paul Skydell | pickerel | 20 | Nate B |
| 25-May | Paul Skydell | pickerel | 22 | Nate B |
| 25-May | Tom Stoneback | salmon | 20 | Jon L |
| 25-May | Tom Stoneback | salmon | 20 | Jon L |
| 25-May | Todd Desgross | pickerel | 22 | Nate B |
| 27-May | Cat Pickei | salmon | 20 | Keaton |
| 28-May | Jeremy Vest | pickerel | 21 | Nate B |
| 29-May | Owen Vest | pickerel | 20 | Nate B |
| 29-May | Garry Crago | salmon | 20 | |
| 29-May | Steve Potashnik | salmon | 20 | |
| 30-May | Garry Crago | salmon | 20 | John M |
| 2-Jun | Bruce Bartley | pickerel | 21 | Jon P |
| 4-Jun | John Coombs | pickerel | 21 | Jon P |
| 4-Jun | Michael Gildenhorn | lm bass | 22 | John M |
| 5-Jun | Steve Potashnik | pickerel | 20 | Keaton |
| 6-Jun | Todd Thompson | pickerel | 24 | Steve S |
| 9-Jun | Mark Nichols | pickerel | 24 | Steve S |
| 15-Jun | Ian Coyle | pickerel | 21 | Hamilton |
| 20-Jun | Owen Stevenson | pickerel | 21 | Jon P |
| 21-Jun | Hamilton Gray | salmon | 20 | |
| 21-Jun | Joe Finger | pickerel | 22 | Nate B |
| 21-Jun | Kent Finger | pickerel | 21 | Nate B |
| 21-Jun | Kent Finger | pickerel | 20 | Nate B |
| 21-Jun | Jamie Stewart | sm bass | 20 | Brett |
| 23-Jun | Jack Hollen | pickerel | 21 | Sue |
| 23-Jun | Chuck Hollen | pickerel | 22 | Jess |
| 23-Jun | Chuck Hollen | pickerel | 22 | Jess |
| 24-Jun | Chuck Hollen | pickerel | 21 | Mac |
| 24-Jun | Margaret Conrad | salmon | 20 | John M |
| 25-Jun | DEE | pickerel | 20 | Jon P |
| 25-Jun | BDJ | pickerel | 20 | Jon P |
| 25-Jun | Harry Williams | salmon | | |
| 26-Jun | Courtney Hollen | sm bass | 27 | Sue |
| 28-Jun | Courtney Hollen | sm bass | 21 | Sue |
| 6-Jul | Grace Hockenber | pickerel | 20 | Keaton |
| 12-Jul | Chris Liartis | pickerel | 22 | Jeff |
| 16-Jul | The Sirianos | pickerel | 24.5 | Hamilton |
| 17-Jul | The McNamaras | pickerel | 24 | Jon P |
| 19-Jul | Harry Williams | pickerel | 20 | |
| 25-Jul | Susan Strong | pickerel | 22 | Dad |
| 25-Jul | Susan Strong | sm bass | 20 | Dad |
| 27-Jul | Jonathan Strong | sm bass | 20 | Keaton |
| 28-Jul | Cason Edwards | pickerel | 20 | JR |
| 28-Jul | Owen Techet | pickerel | 22 | Jon P |
| 28-Jul | Susan Gagnon | pickerel | 20 | Jon P |
| 29-Jul | Cason Edwards | pickerel | 20 | JR |
| 30-Jul | Scott Gagnon | pickerel | 23 | Keaton |



Learn to Fly Fish at Weatherby's - Maine's Premiere Fly Fishing School



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 Intermediate Woman's School scheduled for May 10-13 2023 or our Woman's Novice School, June 19-23 and June 29-July 3, 2023.



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

\$1495 per person. Includes all meals and lodging for four nights, use of equipment, instruction for three days,

Does not include license, tax/gratuity. We offer a one time 20% discount on any ORVIS product to all fishing school participants.

The Perfect Gift - A Poem by Lynn M.

What to get someone who's so hard to shop for Someone who's the exact opposite of a complete and total bore



Maybe some cooking tools, gourmet popcorn, or fancy coffee Peanut butter cups or chocolate covered toffee

Some battery operated underwear, a fuzzy blanket, or a new Lego set Better think again - there's no room in his house - no space in any closet

It's a real head scratcher what to gift someone who already has everything Way to be difficult and thanks for the challenge It's been sheer and utterly exhausting

But I think I finally did it, something I found You'll never guess or purchase for yourself An experience that will hopefully surprise and astound

Pack your bags (and mine too)

We're headed to a new part of our Maine To fish, eat, sleep, and hopefully avoid the rain

When and for how long is completely up to you One night or three? Perhaps we'll do four, five or two.

I can't wait to catch me a big rock or part of some trees While you catch all the trout and salmon At a camp called Weatherby's!

Weatherby's Breeding Update

We managed to squeeze in a successful breeding late last winter with Weatherby's 5X Tippet - one of our Curly and Gus pups with Saltaire's Alphie. A great breeding with five healthy pups. Unfortunately we do not have a breeding female in house at this time so no litters for the foreseeable future. We are aware of a couple upcoming litters from our pups and can provide referrals on those litters as they become available. We are currently seeking a high quality female for hunting and breeding and will hopefully have another working dog in house soon. Contact Jeff if you are interested in one of these awesome hunting/companion dogs. AKC registered and pedigrees available upon request



Did Someone Say Ice-Fishing?

If you are chomping at the bit to get outside this winter and have always wondered about ice-fishing - wonder no longer! Seasoned angler or just curious to see what it is all about, give Jon at Petererson's Guide Service a call 207.730.3384. No experience

or equipment required other than a warm jacket and boots. A day on the ice with Jon will be a winter day to remember - good company and great hot food along with a few big fish. It will be time well spent with family and friends. Many of you know Jon from fishing with him at Weatherby's. Now you can join him on the hard water this winter:)



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2023 Rates

American Plan

Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner / Day / Person

All inclusive pricing -

Meals, lodging, beer, house wines, Orvis equipment

Adult \$259 May 16 - June 30 and September 16 - close

\$229 May 1-May 15 and July 1-Sept.15

Children 10-15 yrs, \$105.00 (Free July/August*)

Children 4-9 yrs, \$85.00 (Free July/August*)

Guide service- \$450/day/one or two people fish

\$600/day/one or two-person upland hunt

Boat & Motor Rental - \$100.00 per day

Fishing/Hunting licenses - www.maine.gov

Dog Charge \$20/day (except Oct/Nov)

Food & Lodging Tax -9%

Canoe/Kayak - No Charge

Orvis Fly or Spinning Rod - No Charge

Orvis Waders - No Charge

Housekeeping

Cabin only, no meals, no equipment

\$75/adult, \$49/child under 16, under 4 free : Minimum nightly charge \$175.

Payment in full due 30 days in advance of reservation.



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