



# Pike Tales



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When we arrived at Minor Bay on June 1st all the ice was already off Wollaston Lake, so we were looking at a season that was advanced 3 - 4 weeks ahead of normal. Water levels were also as low as I've ever seen on Wollaston in the 21 years we have owned and operated Minor Bay Lodge. Wollaston was down about 3-feet from normal levels.

This meant we had to be very careful with the float plane when it departed and arrived at our dock to ensure the tail didn't rub the dock deck.

It was a cool, wet and sometimes windy summer for us, although the cool weather certainly didn't affect the quality of the fishing.

Our guests caught and released some notable fish including a nice 50-inch pike caught on Wollaston by Steve Landwehr on July 9th; two nice 49-inchers caught on June 16th on Wollaston by John Durisek and on Cairns Lake by Paul Hanna. Barney Adams caught and released a 48-1/2 inch "hog" on June 26th.

Some nice lakers and walleye were also caught and released this season.

Dick Chernus caught 37", 32" & 28" lake trout on Wollaston June 16th.

Tim Staskus caught and released a 29" and 27" walleye July 4th on Wollaston Lake.

A major project that was scheduled for this season was the replacement of the dock decking on both docks. Head guide



- Chinny, along with Wayne and our maintenance person, Bill, took a week at the end of our season and devoted it to the dock work. They did a great job and we now have two docks that are "brand new".

A benefit of all the rain we had this summer is that it brought our lake level up by 2 feet by the time we left camp. With a reasonable snowfall this winter we're keeping our fingers crossed that our lake levels should be close to normal next year.



## 2017 Season

All our guides have confirmed they will be returning to Minor Bay for next season, so we will have an even more experienced guide corps for the 2017 season.

Our trip dates for 2017 are filling fairly quickly for June.

Our July 1 - 7 special is 50% full as guests are taking advantage of the 6-day fishing package for the price of a 4-day trip.

This season we purchased a new 18-foot Alumarine fishing boat and we are looking at upgrading our fleet of boats with



additional purchases for 2017.

We are once again offering our **EARLY BOOKING / DEPOSIT** discounts for guests booking their trips and depositing in full prior to October 31, 2016.

We will be attending the following Sportshows:

DSC Convention Jan 5 - 8 at the Kaye Bailey Convention Center in Dallas,

Flyfishing Show Jan 6 - 8 in Denver,

All Canada Show Jan 12 - 15 in St. Charles, IL,

All Canada Show Feb 9 - 12 at Canterbury Park in Shakopee, MN,

ISE Sportmen's Show Mch 23 - 27 at Westworld in Scottsdale, AZ.

We look forward to the opportunity to visit with our past and current guests at the shows.

We wish to thank all our guests for their continued support of Minor Bay Lodge.

Have a great winter and we'll see you at Minor Bay next summer!

**Randy & Bev Duvell**

**DON'T MISS OUR EARLY BOOKING SPECIALS!**

*Save \$200 on 4-day packages and \$300 on 8-day packages when you book and send in your deposit prior to October 31, 2016.*

Note: the early booking specials do not apply to the July 1 - 7 special, which offers 6 days of fishing for the price of a 4 day trip.



**Booking Information**

For reservations or additional information Please contact us at our new address:

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Please contact Don or Heather at:  
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**RESERVATIONS**

- ✓ A deposit of U.S. \$1,000 per person is required upon booking to confirm your reservation.
- ✓ Deposits are non-refundable
- ✓ Payment in full is required 90 days prior to the commencement of your trip.
- ✓ All rates are based on double occupancy
- ✓ A 20% discount applies to youths 13 - 15 years of age and a 30% discount applies to children under 13 years of age.
- ✓ Minor Bay Lodge accepts VISA & MasterCard for deposits.
- ✓ Prices are subject to change without notice.

**American Plan Packages**

- 3-Day American-Plan .....U.S. \$3,695  
(subject to minimum # of guests)
- 4-Day American-Plan .....U.S. \$3,995
- 8-Day American-Plan .....U.S. \$6,495
- July 1 - 7 A/P Special .....U.S. \$3,995

Rates are based on double occupancy  
Single guest supplement: \$200 per day

**Minor Bay Lodge 2017 Trip Schedule**

NOTE: Trip dates after mid-July are tentative and subject to a minimum number of guests per trip

June, 2017						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	

July, 2017						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
					1	1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31					

August, 2017						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		

**Legend**

- 4 & 8-day trip change-over days
- Special July 1st to 7th 6-day trip