

Grass River Lodge



MAIN LODGE - REED LAKE

Reed Lake is a very unique body of water. It is approx. 14 miles long 10 miles wide and over some 500 islands. It has the famous Grassy River flowing through it which supplies clear fresh water year round. The west side of Reed Lake are the islands, bays, sand bars and weedy area. This area is approx. 40-60 feet deep, great spawning area for those large female northern pike and walleye. The center part of Reed is approx. 125-150 feet deep, lots and lots of rock in this part of the lake. This is where the lake trout hide in the hot summer days and spawn on the south and east part of Reed Lake. The east end of Reed is where the Grassy River flows out with shallow bays and weedy areas, excellent for the big northern and walleye fishing all summer long. Reed Lake is the best road accessible premier trophy fishing lakes in all of Canada. Come join us and I'm certain you will agree with me.
Ike



Greg Peterson



Shore Lunch

Hi Ike and Liz,
We want to thank you and the staff for another wonderful experience. It is what makes stories that are told over and over for years to come. Everything from the comfortable cabins, the delicious meals, the spectacular outdoors, and the best fishing all come together to provide an unforgettable experience.
Liz, you and your staff really know how to spoil us with a great pot of coffee early in the morning, outstanding breakfasts and gourmet dinners and cocktails in the evening. Even if the fishing were slow it would be worth it to enjoy your hospitality!
Ike, the guides are the best on the water. Their knowledge of the lake and location of the fish and their feeding habits ensured we had a trophy every day. We are amazed at how they know every rock and weed patch where the fish are hiding. Their skill in landing a trophy and getting it in the boat on one side and back in the water on the other so quickly ensured the fish are not stressed. We really looked forward to the shore lunch, there is nothing quite as good as fresh fish cooked to perfection. It gets better every year and we can't wait to see you next year.
Thanks again,
Rick, John and Tom

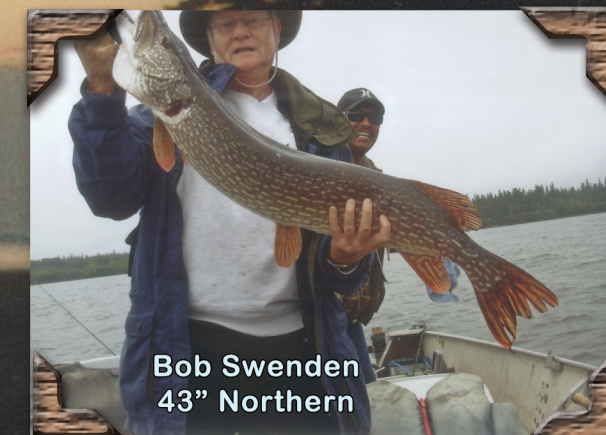


John MacLellan
42" Pike



Carol Swenden
46" Northern

Hi Ike and Liz
Enclosed are some photos of trophy Northerns caught during our recent trip to Grass River Lodge. This fishing trip has become an annual event for us, one that we look forward to every year. What makes it enjoyable is not only the excellent fishing but the first rate food and service provided by you, your staff and guides. This year's visit was special for us in that the Williamsons and Wagerfuehrs, both long-time friends of ours, were able to accompany us. We all had a great time.
Hope to see you again in 2011.
Bob & Carol Swenden



Bob Swenden
43" Northern



Carol Swenden
47 1/2" Northern



Liz and Ike Enns, Owners / Operators

2010 marks 27 years for us at Grass River Lodge. Over the years we have learned many things. Some by trial and error, some by common sense. But one thing that we know works in all aspects of life is to sell what you have, don't mislead people by trying to sell something you don't have. I believe in my heart that if you serve people the way you want to be served, you will be rewarded. Excellent food, 5* accommodations, great service and awesome fishing, that is what keeps our guests coming back year after year. For many families, the first generation has already passed on and the next generation is following in dad's kind of vacation. If you have never been to Grass River Lodge why not give us a try. I know you will not be disappointed. For those who have been with us, we would like to say thank you. We appreciate everyone of you and hope we can be a part in your next fishing trip.

Liz



**FANTASTIC
FOOD!**



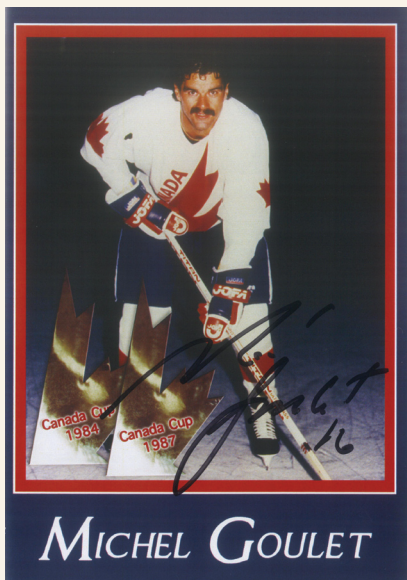
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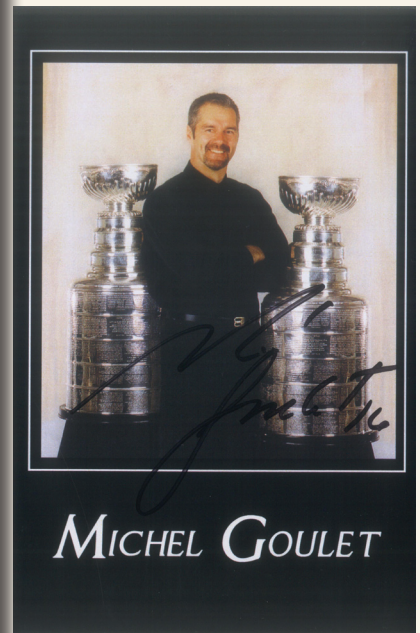
Michel Goulet - 50" Pike



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Dear Ike & Liz:

I have had so many great years of fishing at Grass River Lodge, it would be a sin to rate one year better than another. I had to think about how many years our family has been fishing at Grass River Lodge. I may be off by a year but my father and his best friend Walt McClure first brought me to Grass River Lodge in 1989. Since then we have had so many trips with different clients, family and friends mixed in. We have always had great fishing, great service, and great food. The warmth of your friendship has never failed to amaze our family. My father made it a point to visit GRL one last time before he passed away in 2005. He and Walt fished for walleye and my dad asked the guide to take a slow trip back to the lodge because he wanted nothing more than to enjoy God's creation. You cannot put a price on great memories. Over the years you have hosted our best clients from Jewel Osco to this past August when Hall of Fame hockey player Michel Goulet joined us. Seeing his eyes light up when he reeled in that 50 inch Pike will stay with me forever. My son now 21 has been fishing at your place since he was 9 years old. I think that makes him third generation. I have enclosed a couple of pictures for you to use as you want. The look on my son's face when I took his picture with that monster pike tells the story better than any letter I could write. I consider you and Ike to be like family to me. My father and Walt McClure started a great tradition more than 20 years ago. I pray it continues for another 20 plus years.

See you next year!!!

Blessings!!

David A. Mitroff





Kris Aronson - 43" Pike



Kris Aronson - 30" Walleye



Carl Patzer - 44" Pike

*Dear Liz & Ike,
Trophy, trophy, trophy.....another incredible experience at Grass River Lodge! We are already packed and ready for next year, 209 days, 22 hours to go...*

Our greatest memories are made by the people you meet and the experiences you have. Our yearly fishing trips to Grass River Lodge are what Kenny Chesney would call "the good stuff". You and Ike have made us feel like part of the family. Every year, our trips to Grass River Lodge are amazing; the smell of pine trees when we arrive, the magical sunsets that light the sky red, the great friends we meet, the great food and the great fishing. When I am old and grey (which isn't too far off), our fishing trips to Grass River Lodge will be one of my most cherished memories.

Every year when I tell people that I spent my wedding anniversary "in the bush", they can't believe what a great wife I am. Although my husband can't stop talking about the fish, the trophies, the fish, the fish, the fish, it is truly an adventure everyone must have at least once in their lifetime. I sometimes wonder am I just a great fisher woman or are there just that many fish at Grass River Lodge? I am not one to sit around and catch a fish once every hour. There, it is quite the opposite; non-stop fish so big that my arms feel like rubber bands after landing them, so big, they are bigger than my dogs, so big, we have the fish extra hard to get a fish small enough for shore lunch. It is truly incredible.

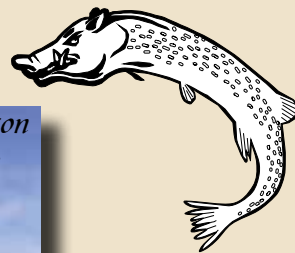
As you can imagine, Kim talks non-stop about your lodge and, of course, the fish. It's all fish, all the time, with him. He is addicted (to fishing).

Your lodge is top notch and #1 in both service and quality.

We look forward to seeing you soon.

Thanks for the "good stuff".

Kris and Kim Aronson



*Dear Liz & Ike,
Just a note to tell you what a great week Bill and I had at your lodge in June. The fishing, the food and our guide K.J. were great. This made my third year at your camp. I have enclosed a couple of pictures of my catches. One a 30" Walleye, the other a 44" Northern.*

Bill and I are looking forward to a return trip in 2011.

*Sincerely,
Carl Patzer*



*Carl Patzer
30" Walleye*



*Kim Aronson
31" Walleye*



*Kim Aronson
43" Pike*

*David Wusson
51" Pike*





Russ - 46"

Liz & Ike,

I'm writing this letter to tell both of you thanks for the wonderful memories at your lodge. I have hunted and fished in some pretty fantastic places, but none compare to The Grass River Lodge.

I was invited by Greg Herr to join his group to fish there in July 2010. They have gone every year for the past seven. Of course when I was asked I said 'yes'. It was one day of travel to get to your place. When we got there, we were invited down to have some appetizers, cold drinks and a great dinner. All of which were wonderful and helped me forget about my long journey there. You and your staff are second to none. The rooms are great and serve their purpose well. Every morning we had fresh coffee delivered to our rooms and then breakfast at the main lodge. After enjoying the meal it was off to the boats. WOW, the fishing was awesome! The group caught some pretty good size fish. Kevin Parks caught the biggest fish of the trip. A BIG 48" Northern Pike. Everyone caught so many fish it's hard to remember them all. Out of 8 guys everyone caught at least one trophy. I myself caught three trophy fish (43", 44" & 46"). This was a big deal for me considering I have never fished for Northern Pike before. In my opinion, there is no greater fresh water fish alive to catch. Your guides continually put us on fish all day long. If the fish weren't biting in a particular spot, we moved. There was actually no down time (besides shore lunch- which was awesome!) because the fishing was so good. Won't see me complain! We had three days of fishing and I wanted more. At the end of the each day, at dinner, I really liked the way both of you walked around to each table and had conversations with everyone. Ike's awards ceremonies every night were a great touch and very personable.

I have included some cool pictures of the trip. I have to mention one of my favorites and this will prove how good the fishing was. One of the gentlemen in our group (Brad Neighbors) caught two fish, a pike and a Walleye, one cast, one lure. UNBELIEVEABLE! One bad thing did come out of the trip. I have tried on many occasions to have fish and chips upon my return home and have had no luck finding it as good as the shore lunch the guides cook!

Can't wait to get back for more! Thanks guys for giving me the experience of a lifetime.

Hope to see you soon.

Sincerely,

Russ DeMoss



Brad - 42"



Kevin
48" Pike
1 of 5 caught



Two at once!



Russ
44"



Bruce
41" Pike

Fly In Outposts

FLYOUTS

We have 5 various lakes we use for 1 day fly outs. I will fly you and your guide to a specific lake after breakfast. These lakes are much smaller . Here we fish a lot of #s but also big fish. These lakes could never sustain a lodge or even a cabin, so we manage them very carefully. We allow shore lunch fish only, no take home fish. They are about a 12 minute flight from the main lodge. I fly in to pick you up at approx. 5:00 pm This experience lets you see the true north from the air, a different perspective on northern fishing. Most of the guests do at least 1 fly out. You will really like the experience and if you are not happy , the fly out is free.



DOLOMITE LAKE

Dolomite is a small lake approx. 4 miles long with a river leading into little Dolomite. It is approx. 25 – 50' deep with a river flowing in on the north end and out on the south end. There's only 1 cabin on this lake, occupancy for 6. It has propane refrigerator & stove , hot & cold running water and a shower building. Very often people will ask me "Ike which is your very best 5-7 day outpost lakes?" My question to them is "what kind of fishing, and any kids fishing?" This is a fabulous little northern pike & walleye lake for kids who want action at the end of that line constantly. The lake is not too big to where you can get lost on it, nor is it hard to fish. Per boat you can expect to catch 75-100 fish per day running 18-25". Of those fish one will probably run 35-45". You can catch walleye on this lake any time of day. We have had guests who have fished little Dolomite only. When I ask them "well did you fish the weed beds at the mouth of the river?" The answer was "there's no need to, Little Dolomite has all the fishing we want". Great little lake for the young at heart.



MOODY LAKE

This lake is 38 miles northwest of the main lodge. The lake runs from the southeast to the north . It has several islands and great drop off points for good walleye fishing. The river flows from Evans Lake into Moody and out on the north east into Batty Lake. The cabin is located on the east side with an awesome view of the evening sunset. It accommodates 8 people. It has hot & cold running water , propane stove & refrigerator and also has a separate shower building. We have caught pike from 35-45 inches every year. In # probably not as high as Dolomite but possibly more trophy in northern pike. We have guests that have fished this lake for 15-20 years . A perfect hide-a way for just your party. The water is a darker tea colored water which warms up early in spring which makes for great fishing in spring when they spawn. The sun warms up the west side of the lake which makes for good spring fishing. As the water warms up and the weeds develop, it's good northern pike fishing in the bays. It's just a heck of a nice private lake.

FILE, MORTON, VICKERS, CORLEY & LOONHEAD LAKES

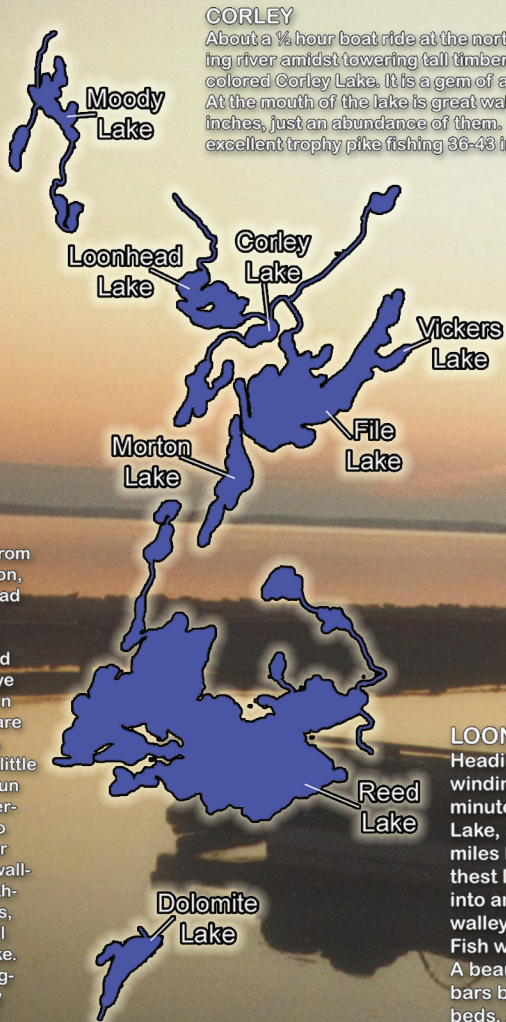
At the south end of File Lake we have 5 cabins nestled away amongst tall timbers. Morton Lake lies to the south of File. There is 2 cabins on the main land where Morton & File meet. On an island just across from these cabins, is another 3 cabins. From the far south end of Morton to the N/W tip of File Lake is 19 miles. From the far east side of File to west side of Loonhead is approx. 15 miles. Many great hours of fishing on these lake sides. A week of fishing a year, and in 20 years you need not fish the same bay ever.

FILE

File Lake is a deep lake, 12 long 5 miles wide. It is the outpost lake that has all 3 species, walleye northern and lake trout. File is a clear emerald colored water. It has large walleye 24-28" and large northern up to 51". Trout fishing is awesome early spring or late fall catching 80-120 trout per boat in the 18-24" range. The largest trout in 08 was 36". What a beautiful lake it is.

MORTON

This outpost is the most unique outpost around. From File you can access Morton, Vickers, Corley & Loonhead Lakes. Each has its' own uniqueness. Morton Lake is approx. 7 miles long and 2 miles wide. It has walleye fishing like no other lake in Canada. Lots of walleye are caught from 18-22 inches and if you fish for them a little deeper approx. 30' they run from 22-26 inches. An average day you can expect to catch from 75-100 fish per boat. Not only is it great walleye fishing, but good northern also. In the weed beds, sand bars, and bays you'll catch trophy 41-46.5" pike. Of 24 years of lake managing, Morton Lake has only gotten better and better.



CORLEY

About a 1/2 hour boat ride at the north end of File is a winding river amidst towering tall timbers. Here you will find a tea colored Corley Lake. It is a gem of a lake, about 2 miles long. At the mouth of the lake is great walleye fishing, from 18-26 inches, just an abundance of them. The far end of Corley is excellent trophy pike fishing 36-43 inches.

VICKERS

This lake is a boat in lake from File located on the N/E corner of File. In June or July you will have a tough time catching shore lunch size fish here. This time of year they run 27-29 inches. We think it is the spawning area for the walleye until it warms up and then they move into File Lake. Vickers is tea colored water. The northern in Vickers run from 41-45 inches. I have had people fish this lake for 23 consecutive years and still love this lake like the first day they fished it.

LOONHEAD

Heading north again down the winding File River, approx. 10 minute boat ride is Loonhead Lake, approx. 3 miles wide 4 miles long. This lake is the farthest lake to the N/W to boat into and it has some great walleye and northern fishing. Fish which seldom see a hook. A beautiful lake, nice sand bars bays, islands, and weed beds. A haven for walleye & northern.



Hello again for the 27th year. Who says time hasn't flown by. Even though this is the 27th letter to our guests, I still find it exciting to relate to everybody of the great summer we had. With all the improvements that have taken place and the wonderful friends we have made over the years, the memories are and will always be precious. And who could forget the amazing fish management and how the trophy fishing has improved over the last 22 years.

From the worlds greatest left wing all star, Chicago Black Hawks hockey player, Michel Goulet, catching an all star 50 inch Northern Pike, and to our own Oklahoman James Johnson, mastering a 53 1/2 inch Northern, David Wasson landing a 51 inch Pike on File Lake. What an AWESOME AWESOME summer we had!!! The best ever.

Walleyes up to 31 inches, and lake trout up to 36 1/2 inches. What a great reward for us and our guests for many years of conservation.

Over the last 26 years I have seen many fathers bring up their sons as their fathers brought them, and now the next generation has taken on the tradition with their sons. Gifts such as this have been so exciting to witness over the years.

As the years go by we have seen many relationships strengthen and grow between families and friends. I believe that people really do enjoy the great outdoors, clean lake waters, solitude in the boat, the fantastic shore lunches, and the true undisturbed nature that we still have.

With all that we cherish about Grass River Lodge, why not come out and enjoy it with Liz and I. We have such a great place to share with you and your friends and family. As we always say "come as a guest and leave as a friend".

Both Liz and I wish you the very best for the new year to come.

Ike

