

Moose Lake News by Jim Onarheim

Chris and Tammy from Virgin Timber Resort wanted me to pass this information along to you. Dear friends and neighbors. We want to thank everyone for all the support over the past few years. We have enjoyed getting to know our community and all the wonderful people in it. Moving forward the Virgin Timber Resort Lodge is a community space and event center. This means that you are always welcome to stop in and enjoy some games take a potty break or just relax and chat with some friends. We are hard at work planning events for the summer. As events get finalized they will be publicized throughout the Moose Lake news column, social media and our website. We are very excited about these changes and hope that you will join us in making this space something that the community is proud of. If you or someone you know is interested in hosting an event, contact us and we will work with you to make it happen. Feel free to reach out to us with any questions, comments or concerns.

I talked with a few of my contacts on Moose Lake about the crappie bite over the weekend. One report was that the fishing was slow with only several small crappies being caught. That I took as good news because it tells me that there was a good spawn a few years ago. These small fish are the future to some nice fish that will develop in the years to come. We must have a good population of the small fish to let us know that they are reproducing well in Moose Lake. I'm sure our fish crib project is helping these smaller fish survive over the winter.

The second report that I got was from a group that caught several nice large crappies, but it was over a 4 day stretch. These fishermen had to really work hard to catch about 40 fish. They did not catch all big fish, but they said it was fun when they had action. I'm sure they had a good time while they were here, but nature always has control on what we catch and how many. As things start to warm up and the ice starts to melt fishing should really improve.

Our snowmobile trails are in very poor condition. I advise you to wait until we get a good snow fall before you go back on the trails. Hopefully we may get one or two good snowfalls yet this spring. I know the snow will be short lived if we do get any so you will have to be ready, because it will perhaps only last a few days.

Pool League this past Thursday had only 3 teams at Louie's for an evening of fun, food and refreshments. First place went to Roger Winters and Tom Koehler 2nd place was awarded to Jack Brown & Joe Dwyer. The TP award was given to Dean Broberg and Brad Daywitt. Even though it was a small group everyone had a great time.

Were starting to see some brown dead vegetation starting to show especially along the north side of the roadways. This reminds me of the possibility of an early spring and the start of the grass fire season. Sawyer County area Fire Departments have started to have DNR Wildfire training at each the area township Fire stations. The DNR tries to meet with each area Fire Department to do Wildfire training. They want to be sure each volunteer and fire department is well prepared in case of a wildfire in their area. We will have more information on how to protect your property from a wildfire in the weeks to come.

Birthday greetings this week are given to, our Round Lake Fire Chief Mike Schmidt on March 22nd. Betsy Vogel will be celebrating on the same day but in warm and sunny Arizona. Curt Richter, Bob Taticek and Sally Meyers will all be celebrating on the 23rd of this month. There are no anniversaries this week.

Well that is it for this week. I hope everyone enjoys your week and stay safe! Send your items of interest to myself Jim Onarheim at 715-462-4448 or jonarheim@centurytel.net

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