

# The Memquisit News

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## *Welcome to our Twenty Sixth Newsletter.*

The nice thing about living way in the bush is that on any given day you will get to see some wildlife. It can be anything from a small chipmunk to a majestic moose. It is not abnormal to come out of road or drive back in and get to see a slow paced turtle crossing the road, a fox scurrying along, a bear minding its own business, a deer alertly fleeing away or a moose unsure of its next move. Before moving to Memquisit Lodge, even though I lived in the same area, I had only encountered one moose over my entire lifetime. I tell you now that I see at least a dozen moose a year if not more. Once in a while they even come in our backyard very early in the morning. As a matter of fact 3 weeks ago as I made my way to our gas bar, a moose came trotting down the road that leads to cabin 7 and 8, made its way on the volleyball court and then stood still for at least 30 to 40 seconds and watched me. My point is that you simply

cannot get better feeling when you see some of these animals and living in their habitat you get to experience this feeling almost everyday.

I will tell you that even though I get to see a lot of wildlife including moose, I have yet to take a seriously good picture of one. My chance came in early this spring when driving back to the lodge, we came upon two moose in the middle of the road. I kept my distance, hurried to get my camera out, mounted one of my telephoto lenses and began to shoot. Now you would think I would get a good shot since I finally had all the time in the world to get set up and shoot well over 40 or so pictures but, did you know that a moose will shed its winter coat in early spring to make way for a nice thin coat to sport around for the warm summer days. Well these two were half bald what was left of their winter wear was spotted in clumps over their entire bodies. Ugly? Yes. Picture material? Not really as these were the most awful looking moose I had ever seen. My luck of

course and a nice moose picture will have to be captured some other day. I finally was ready and these guys were willing to pose for me. Oh well, like they say, back to the drawing board.

Encountering wildlife is not always amazing since sometimes these guys can be nuisances. Every once in a while we have to chase a squirrel out of our dining room because someone left a door slightly opened or they gnawed their way through the screened in porch and the dining room door was left opened. Every once in awhile a bear will smell its way to our garbage bin to try and get in for a snack. During our first year at the lodge, we were awakened by the sound of breaking boards. A bear was destroying our bins that were located at the back end of the far parking lot. We had to resort to unpleasant methods to deter it from ever doing this again. At least twice over our ownership we had to replace some of the poles that secure the bridge because one of our famous Canadian beavers decided to

chew some of them off possibly as retaliation for invading their environment. Every once in a while there is a girly scream coming from somewhere around the lodge as Lisette or Charlene have a snake encounter. Why? I don't know since none of the snakes in the area are close to being poisonous. The girls run one way and the snake slithers the other way and then things are back to normal. Last and not least as you have read in our June 2009 newsletter, a partridge will go through one our cabin windows for no sheer reasons.

I'll tell you what though, living in the bush as we always refer to our living environment as the bush, is amazing. The freedom is unmatched, the air is always pure, the tranquility is next to none and the wildlife encounters and spotting makes it all worthwhile.

### ***Lake Conditions***

The lake water temperature is in the upper 70's. The water is still a little high for this time of the year but is slowly receding every day. Hopefully normal water levels will be here by

early July.

### ***Weather Updates***

We finally experienced some balmy summer temperatures in the latter part of June. For a while, we did not think we were ever going to get summer. But that all changed and it now feels that we will indeed get some summer weather.

### ***Fishing Report***

The walleyes are finally starting to bite and the numbers being brought back in are slowly on the rise. To this date even our guides were having a tough time getting them in. That is now changing. A couple of nice muskies were caught by accident and were released. The biggest one was around 54" and was successfully released. Bass is also being caught in large numbers and again since the season is still not opened they were all successfully released. The warming trend is an indication that fishing will only get better over the next few weeks.

### **What's New?**

Well Frank is almost ready with the new website. It is online

but we haven't made it available to anyone yet. It is inching its way up in the search engines. He is still putting the final touches to it and he hopes that by the end of July to have it as our official website. He's done some amazing work on it and has put his heart into it. We think he developed a great website that will be full of information in an exceptional format which we think viewers will enjoy.

To get a sneak peek at the website just click on this link. [www.memquisitlodge.net](http://www.memquisitlodge.net) Hope you enjoy it.

If you have by chance any topics you would like to see or read about in upcoming newsletters, please let me know by writing me an email at the address below.

If you have any questions or comments, please drop us a line @ [info@memquisit.com](mailto:info@memquisit.com) or call us using our toll free number 1-888-898-5326. We will be happy to assist you as best as we can.

Thank you for your patronage.



# Last Minute Deals

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We have some spots available during the month of July. If these dates fill your bill then you are going to receive some huge savings of up to 50% off the regular price on Housekeeping cabins . If you could never previously afford our meal plan well you probably can now with some last minute deals. Receive from 25% to 40% off the meal plan price for available spots. The following table outlines these deals. Summer is a great time to fish. The following specials may be added to an existing reservation but may not be substituted for an existing reservation. Cancellation policy will apply to all reservations.

Last minute spot opportunities						
Housekeeping Cabin	Arrival	Departure	Nights	Reg Price	Special	Savings
Cabin # 11A - 4 Bedroom up to 8 person	Wed July 29th	Sat Aug 1st	3	\$ 750.00	\$375.00	\$375.00

**Note: The Regular and Special price showing above is for the cabin for the available nights. It is not a per person rate!! (all rates are + applicable taxes)**

Meal Plan Cabin	Arrival	Departure	Nights		Special	
Cabin # 4 - 4 Bedroom up to 8 person	Tue July 14th	Fri July 17th	3		30 %	
Cabin # 4 - 4 Bedroom up to 8 person	Sun July 19th	Thu July 23rd	4		40 %	
Cabin # 5- 4 Bedroom up to 8 person	Sun July 19th	Thu July 23rd	4		40 %	
Cabin # 6 - 2 Bedroom up to 4 person	Sun July 12th	Fri July 17th	5		30 %	
Cabin # 6 - 2 Bedroom up to 4 person	Thu July 23rd	Sat July 25th	2		25 %	
Cabin # 7 - 4 Bedroom up to 8 person	Thu July 9th	Mon July 13th	4		25 %	
Cabin # 8 - 4 Bedroom up to 8 person	Mon July; y 13th	Fri July 17th	4		30 %	

**Note: Due to the fact that we offer several different meal plan packages ( Full Plan, Modified Plan, All Inclusive, Family Package....) We are posting a set discount rate please visit our web site at [www.memquisit.com](http://www.memquisit.com) and click on the rates from the main page to locate current rates offered. (all rates are + applicable taxes) minimum occupancy will apply to American plan cabins.**