

ONTARIO'S FISHING REGULATION CHANGES

DELAYED April 4, 2007

Anglers Should Continue to Use 2005-2006 Rules

TORONTO — The new Ontario Fishing Regulations will come into effect on January 1, 2008, Natural Resources Minister David Ramsay announced today.

"By implementing the new fishing regulations at the beginning of a new year we will be in keeping with tradition," said Ramsay. "Most anglers are aware that this is typically when regulation changes are made so this timing allows for clarity and consistency."

The regulation changes are part of the ministry's new ecological framework for recreational fisheries management in Ontario. This includes managing fisheries on a zone basis rather than on an individual lake basis and replacing 37 fishing divisions with 20 fisheries management zones. To come into effect, these regulations must be approved by the federal government. The Ministry of Natural Resources and the Department of Fisheries and Oceans have been working closely to complete the approval process.

Anglers should continue to use the 2005-2006 regulations and current Ontario Recreational Fishing Regulations Summary throughout 2007, with the exception of the some changes that took effect January 1, 2007 which effect Lake Erie, Lake Nipissing and Golden Lake. The province has extended the bass season across the province by moving the opening day from the last Saturday in June to the fourth Saturday in June.

The 2005-2006 regulations and current fishing summary are available at Service Ontario/Government Information Centres outlets and from most licence issuers as well as on the ministry's website at www.ontario.ca/mnr/. The updated fishing summary should be released later this year.

More information and related topics can be found online at:

http://www.mnr.gov.on.ca/MNR/csb/news/2007/apr4nr_07.html

GST Rebate Program Back

The Northern Ontario Tourist Outfitters Association believes a lobbying effort has resulted in the return of the GST rebate for foreign visitors. The Federal Government cut the program last year but decided to bring it back in this year's budget.

NOTO Executive Director Doug Reynolds says the rebate will only apply to out-of-country visitors who purchase a package at a tourist resort. Reynolds adds the rebate will also apply to international visitors attending Conventions.

MNR Predicting More Deer Tags

The Ministry of Natural Resources believes warmer summers and a higher amount of deer are to blame for a decrease in the moose population in the district.

Biologist Scott McAughey says area moose have been affected by various parasites found on deer as well as mother nature. McAughey expects the Province to increase the number of available deer tags for this fall, since the population has exploded.

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NOTICES:

NEXT MEETING:

**Friday
May 4, 2007
Waldhof Hall**

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President's Message:

Spring 2007

TO: KDCA Members, Allied Members & Interested Readers:

Two of NW Ontario's greatest events (at least in my eyes) are just around the corner: KDCA Annual Spring Meeting and the KDCA Annual Dinner & Dance. Mark this date on your calendar: May 4 2007. The KDCA Spring Meeting will take place at the Waldhof Hall starting at 9:00 a.m. and continue until adjournment. The Annual Dinner & Dance will get under way around 6:00 p.m. Call Pat/Mal Tygesson, Evergreen Lodge (807-755-2434) and order your tickets. Do it NOW!

Also, as I write this message the agenda for the Spring meeting is being all but finalized; however it is not too late to get your issues or topics addressed or put on the agenda. We ALWAYS have room for "new business." So, communicate with me via e-mail (kabeelo@integra.net), and let your views be known, or get your "two cents" in, or get something off your chest or just stand up and be counted. There are important and vital issues that all of need to discuss and vote upon so let me hear from you. These topics range from the GST Rebate program, KDCA Fall elections, latest water system regulations, whitetail deer hunting, Land Use Permits, and the list goes on. As I have stated many times in past newsletters, this is YOUR organization and it is an opportune forum to get your message/concern out to the broader community, elected officials and the tourism industry.

Finally, the 2007 season is upon us. I would hope that each outfitter, operator and allied member have a successful and richly rewarding season. In the interim plan to be at the "KDCA do" on May 4th at the Waldhof Hall. Call 807-755-2434 and get those tickets for this exciting Spring event – NW Ontario's best & biggest!

THANKS, again, for your support.
Harald Lohn, President

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KDCA Friday May 4th, 2007 Meeting

TENTATIVE AGENDA

Location: Waldhof Hall, Waldhof

8:30 a.m.	Coffee and Conversation <i>(Sponsored by Dryden District Chamber of Commerce, Vermilion Bay Co-Op & BDO Dunwoody)</i>
9:15 a.m.	Meeting Begins Additions/corrections to Agenda Treasurer's Report Fall 2006 Minutes - Review/Approval President's Remarks <i>(DMF - \$5000 "Ioan", KDCA website, KDCA letterhead, GST Rebate Program, Weyerhaeuser/Domtar, Anna-Lisa (CBSA) & Patricia DeVincenzo replacement, Moose article, NOTO Membership (?), Fall Elections, KDCA insurance)</i>
10:30 a.m.	Coffee Break <i>(Sponsored by Royal Bank)</i>
10:45 a.m.	NOTO Update - Dave McLeod/Reg. Representative
11:15 a.m.	The State of Tourism in NW Ontario - Shelia Larmer, MTR
12:00 noon	Lunch <i>(Sponsored by Sysco Foods, Frosted Foods, J.Webb & Sons & Evergreen Lodge)</i>
1:00 p.m.	OTMPC - Jim Grayston
1:30 p.m.	White-tail deer hunting - Jacqui Haukeness
2:00 p.m.	Land Use Planning - Frank Bastone
2:15 p.m.	TBA
2:30 p.m.	Coffee Break <i>(Sponsored by TD Bank)</i>
3:00 p.m.	TBA
4:00 p.m.	Wrap-up
4:30 p.m.	Adjournment
5:30 p.m.	Happy Hour
7:00 p.m.	Dinner & Dance

Log-on to www.kdca.ca for past Meeting Minutes. Just click Links & Downloads.

Kenora District Camp Owners Association



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What's New In Research

A new wave of the Travel Intentions Survey was recently completed. The final report is expected in April 2007 and will be posted under **Reports > Travel Intentions** on the Ministry of Tourism's Research website:

www.tourism.gov.on.ca/tourdiv/research/index.html

For more information on the Industry's current performance, historical statistics, provincial forecasts, market reports and more visit:

www.researchtourism.gov.on.ca

5-YEAR TOURISM MARKETING STRATEGY FOR NORTHERN ONTARIO-CONSULTATION SESSION APRIL 24th, BEST WESTERN-DRYDEN The Strategic Tourism Development and Marketing Partnership

Industry Canada – FedNor, the Ontario Tourism Marketing Partnership Corporation (OTMPC) and the Northern Ontario Heritage Fund Corporation (NOHFC) entered into a partnership to provide more strategic and effective support for the tourism industry in Northern Ontario.

The Partnership focuses on the following three key areas:

1. Support for Northern Ontario tourism supplier education and capacity building projects.
2. Support for Northern Ontario marketing development.
3. Support for strategic market-based promotional initiatives that benefit Northern Ontario.

The Partnership, in collaboration with the OTMPC Northern Committee, has identified the development of a Foundation Document and a subsequent Northern Ontario Tourism Marketing Strategy as a priority initiative to position the North for success over the next five years. In accordance with the administrative framework, the North of Superior Tourism Association (NOSTA) joined the Strategic Tourism Development and Marketing Partnership for Northern Ontario in supporting this initiative.

This spring, the consulting team will be traveling throughout the North, meeting with as many tourism stakeholders as possible. Next meeting in our area is:

Tuesday April 24, 2007
Best Western Dryden - Sunset Room
349 Government Road

All sessions will run from 1:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. Light refreshments will be served. For more information on the 5 year tourism strategy and to register for the consultation session please visit the following web site:

<http://www.connexion-north.ca/?pgid=3>

Project Steering Committee

- * **Rob Skelly**, Chair, OTMPC Northern Committee & Manager of Tourism, City of Greater Sudbury
- * **Tim Lukinuk**, President, North of Superior Travel Association & Owner, Amethyst Mine Panorama
- * **Harald Lohn**, Member, OTMPC Northern Committee & Owner, KaBeelo Lodge Inc.
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The Consulting Team

Douglass Legg is with Malone Given Parsons Ltd. (www.mgp.ca). His experience includes projects in social and economic research and analysis, feasibility and market analysis, business case development, and strategic plan and policy development. Douglass is the creator of Partnering for the Future: Public Private Partnerships in Tourism Development and Ontario's award-winning Premier-ranked Tourist Destination Framework.

Paula Bund, Lynn Morrow and Irenka Farmilo are with the **PathWise Group** (www.pathwisegroup.com). Paula is a management consultant specializing in the tourism and hospitality industry. Lynn is a public policy consultant and professional planner and is experienced in working with boards, staff and stakeholders to build consensus and foster partnerships. As a director at the Canadian Tourism Commission, Irenka was responsible for addressing stakeholder concerns in the international arena particularly at the World Tourism Organization, and the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation organization.

Forrest Marketing + Communications was founded in 2002 by Pat Forrest, a veteran marketing and communications professional with extensive experience in tourism in Northern Ontario. Pat has successfully completed many tourism-related projects throughout the North from the Manitoba border to Muskoka and is a past member of the OTMPC Outdoor Committee.

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