## KaBeeLo Lodge Line

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## CHANGE to ALL PACKAGES .....

#### 2014 Brochure Enhancements

We have added the EARLY ARRIVAL option to ALL our vacation packages. As a result, it will appear that there is a significant price change in 2014.

The 2 main reasons for this change are; firstly, so we can continue to offer the HST tax rebate on the FULL trip; secondly, 99% of KaBeeLo's guests already select the early arrival option. So in short....the 2014 price change remains consistent with the rate adjustments from prior years.

Additionally the deposit amounts, and due dates, have changed on all packages. In order for KaBeeLo to provide a 50% rebate of the HST tax portion of your trip, the Canadian Government states that KaBeeLo must

#### **Outpost Updates:**

Wavell: Winter's ice once again ripped the dock from the shoreline (frustrating). A new dock was built this past summer

**Perrigo:** The "old" cabin is officially gone

receive the full deposit amount at least 1 month in advance of your trip. If we DO NOT receive the money in time, guests may file a rebate application with the Canadian Government.

KaBeeLo Lodge also loves to see the younger generations experience true wilderness adventures, so with that in mind we have improved our dependency discount structure two-fold; extending the discounts over a broader age range, and changing the eligibility from 2 paying adults to only 1 paying adult.

So why not bring up your kids, your friends kids or even a Boy Scout troop - let's share with them the wonders of Mother Nature!

### Border Crossing – Anything New?

Concerns about Law related issues? The best proactive step is to contact Canadian officials well in advance of your trip. The Canadian Border Services Agency (CBSA) can be reached at 807-274-5281 or 807-274-6068, <a href="www.cbsa.gc.ca">www.cbsa.gc.ca</a>, or call KaBeeLo if you need additional assistance.

## TRANSITION NEWS 2013-2014

Past, Present & Future

Erik, Allysson, Winston (5), Alastair (3) & Hillary (1) Lohn are in the midst of defining a succession plan to operate KaBeeLo Lodge & Airways for years to come. Erik & Allysson envision this plan unfolding over the next several years, in which case Harald and Ann will be around for several years to come.

Throughout the transition, Erik will maintain the Chief Pilot position at KaBeeLo Airways. try to learn office duties and still help on the dock. Allysson adds a healthy list of strengths to the business: computer talent, new set of eyes, customer service skills and marketing abilities with a focus on attracting new groups to experience what Mother Nature has to offer. In addition, Allysson will be a key person on the dock to greet and assist guests.

#### CANNOT, WILL NOT, DO NOT

Reminder: KaBeeLo cannot, will not, does not issue Ontario outdoor cards, fishing or hunting licenses. License issuers are located in virtually every Ontario town, or can be purchased online at: www.on.wildlifelicense.com

#### 2013 HUNT NEWS

#### **Moose Hunt**

During the 2013 season (September) we experienced some very warm weather which, we believe, resulted in low moose activity and an extremely poor harvest rate. These results were felt throughout Ontario during the latter part of September with better results being posted during the month of October.

Given fewer animals were harvested in 2013 only means one thing – expect some great moose hunting in 2014.

#### **Bear Hunt**

Both gun hunters and archery hunters had fantastic hunting success - 85% harvest rate to be precise. The largest black bear taken weighed over 500 lbs. with smaller bears weighing

in at 325 lbs., 300 lbs., 220 lbs. and 195 lbs. Given that we begin baiting well before the hunt, and virtually no outside pressure in our bear management area of approximately 150 square miles, we believe our harvest success rates will continue to be strong for many seasons to come.

#### Bird Hunt

When thinking about a bird hunt, Northwest Ontario, Canada may not be your first thought. However, keep in mind the pressure on the species is very low and nature's beauty is bountiful. KaBeeLo would enjoy your company in mid-September to hunt some ruffed & spruce grouse.

## THE INTERNET -WHY?

If you were at one of our lakes right now, there would be no internet access - we think we are correct in stating "that would be a good thing". This is one of the best reasons of being so remote. However, we also need/rely on the internet to show quests prospective, new, existing or past - the latest and greatest features offered by KaBeelo Lodge. This is why we will be changing the website sometime this winter season. The main goal will be to freshen up the look and improve the interface (laymen's terms - make it more user friendly). The new site will also maximize social medía outlets; Facebook, Google+, QR codes, email blasts, Twitter & more. Allysson will be in the lead position with this task; we hope that these investments will enable KaBeeLo to access and entice the next generation of customers. Knowing that word of mouth is still the best referral method, we hope the new site will enhance your testimony.

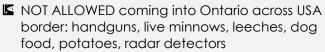
## 2014 SPORTS SHOW SCHEDULE

- St. Paul, MN: January 09-12, River Center Kansas City, MO: January 23-26, J. Bartle Hall
- Omaha, NE: January 09-12, CenturyLink Center Charlotte, NC: February 6-9, Charlotte Convention Center

# Minneapolis, MN: March 26-30, Convention Center

Please send us your email address so we Can keep you in the "electronic loop" whether it be: newsletters, special offers, itineraries or payment summaries. Don't get left out!

## **Other Worthy News**



- Must have, and use, hands free cell phone device while driving in Canada
- PASSPORTS are REQUIRED
- Bringing along a child? Get a "letter of permission" from the non-travelling parent

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