

All The News That's Fit To Catch

Yesterdays Trophies

Ian Vaagenes

46", 42", 40" Pike

Mike Rogers

45.5", 40.5" Pike

Bill Calabresa

44.5" Pike, 18" Grayling

Joe Novicki

43.5", 42", 41" Pike

18" Grayling

Judy Schmidt

43.5", 40" Pike

Phil Robers

43", 41.5", 41.5" 40"
Pike

Allen Wortz Jr.

42.5" Pike

Charles Pebbles

42", 40" Pike

Nowell Rush

42" Pike

Joey Manship

42" Pike

Andre Lechowicz

41", 41", 40", 40" Pike

Steve Doerter

41" Pike

Chuck Dannewitz

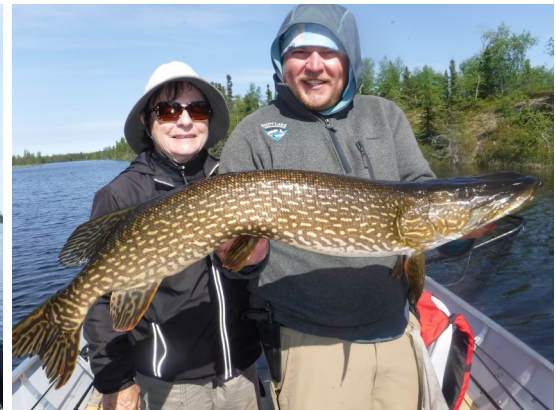
41" Pike

John Grainger

40", 40" Pike

James MacDougall

40" Pike



Mission Statement

The mission of Scott Lake Lodge is to provide guests with the most memorable fly-in fishing experience in North America offering uncompromised customer service and safety.



STORIES FROM THE 60TH PARALLEL



Treeline is a term everyone loves to use. “We were fishing way above treeline” is a way to brag about just how far north you have explored. Treeline is really more of a concept than a well defined line on a map, although there is a line on most maps. It runs northwest to southeast from northern Yukon to near the Northwest Territories/Manitoba border on Hudson Bay. It’s a zone of usually 50-100 miles in width. In this part of the Northwest Territories the zone starts about 50 miles north of Scott Lake. If you fly north of Scott you will see the change in the tree density within a few minutes. It’s gradual but definite. It’s also exactly like climbing a western mountain: the trees get smaller and fewer. Go far enough up or north and the trees get more lean and stunted: they get downright weird. In alpine areas the term used is “krummholz”, a German word for crooked wood. As you approach the end of the treeline in the north, you get the same type of short, oddly shaped trees.

After years of analyzing many variables such as soil depth, mineral content and rainfall levels, scientists finally settled on the one variable that defines the northern limit of trees. It’s quite simply temperature. When the average temperature in the warmest month (July) is less than 100C (about 500F) the black spruce – our toughest tree – cannot reproduce. It’s too cold for tree sex. This also explains isolated pockets of trees, like the ones along a protected area of the Thelon River, an area known as the “Oasis”, nearly 300 miles above the treeline on the map. There’s a microclimate working there that allows spruce to reproduce. Some of these trees are incredible. Not more than 20 feet tall, they have a circumference at the base that you can’t wrap your arms around.

But you don’t have to go far to experience the treeline phenomena. Just be alert as you fish right here at Scott Lake. At the outlet in the south end of the lake, the vegetation is quite thick; a few aspen groves are evident and in general it feels “woody”. On a fishing day to the northwest end of Scott or up near the channel to Wignes take a careful look around. You will see lots of open sandy patches and enjoy a very park like atmosphere if you hike around while on shore lunch duty.

If you do flyout, you will really see the treeline melt at about 50 miles north. Northwest Territories’ lakes like Beauvais or Ingalls or Sandy look and feel a lot more like the true Barrens, the vast areas of the Northwest Territories without tree cover, than the relatively wooded areas around Scott. If you took a flight seeing trip to about 100 miles north, you could experience true tundra. The magic treeline, if one exists, is about halfway up Rennie Lake where the lodge sometimes takes flight seeing adventures.



STORIES FROM THE 60TH PARALLEL

The Black Bears of Northern Canada



The black bear's life around Scott isn't as dramatic as that of the caribou, but it's still interesting. You have a very good chance of seeing a bear during your stay here.

Covering most of North America, black bears are very successful animals. Their distribution stops about at treeline and overlaps with the tundra grizzly only in the Great Bear Lake region. (There are no grizzlies near Scott.) Black bears are very common here and are often seen investigating the miles of shoreline. It's hard to say just what bears are looking for at any given moment. It's food of course, but black bears are champion omnivores, eating almost anything organic.

Despite the lurid tales of dangerous black bears, the facts show a more sedate animal. About 75% of a black bear's diet is plant matter – berries, grasses and roots. They will eat grubs, bird's eggs, fish, any carrion, and for reasons known only to bears, love to chew on gas hoses and the black plastic water lines used at Scott's outpost camps. They love shore lunch leftovers and have made a few unscheduled guest appearances at a few shore lunch sites. Any uninvited bears will now be getting an extra ingredient – a stiff dose of pepper spray which will discourage the practice.

Contrary to common opinion black bears are not true hibernators. They just go into a very deep sleep when they den up in late fall. Their heart rate and respiration drop dramatically but their body temperature drops only ten degrees. Obviously, the bitter winters around Scott don't affect the bears. They're in dreamland, probably reliving their feasts on crowberries and bearberries, both common berries at Scott. This sleeping-Through-the-tough-part strategy is why you'll find a lot more bear than moose.



Book At The Lodge For 2018 Season

IF YOU HAVE NOT ALREADY BOOKED FOR THE 2018 SEASON, BE SURE TO SEE JASON IN THE OFFICE.
LOCK IN YOUR GUIDE, CABIN, AND WEEK FOR YOUR NEXT SEASONS TRIP.

Departure Time	Plane	Lake	Guide	Passengers
7:45 to 4:45	HPE	LACUSTA SMALLTREE	Paulie Nuggs Jordan	Randy & Steve Doerter James MacDougall Charles Pebbles, John Grainger
9:30 to 6:30	HPE	FLETT WHOLDAIA	T-Bag Curt Poacher	Andre & Mira Lechowicz Craig Mataczynski, Allen Wortz Jr Dave & Greg Paulus
8:00 to 5:00	GQD	LABRINTH	Graham	Chuck & Connor Dannewitz
9:30 to 6:30	GQD	HOSTILE	Cory	Phil Robers, Nowell Rush

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DINNER MENU

BRAISED LAMB SHANKS

In a Rosemary and Red Wine sauce, served with Garlic Mashed Potatoes and Vegetables

GRILLED SALMON

In a Lemon and Tarragon sauce, served on a Wild Rice Pilaf and Vegetables

MUSHROOM BARLEY RISOTTO

Home Improvement

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HOME
MORE POWER
GARDEN FENCE
WILSON
IMPROVEMENT
TIM ALLEN
DETROIT
HEIDI KEPPERT
GARAGE
TOOL TIME
BRAD
LISA
MARK
TAYLOR
JILL
FAMILY
AL BORLAND
RANDY
ACCIDENT-PRONE



"According to my GPS, that fish you caught has dragged us 50 miles off course. Cut it loose!"