

The leaves were molten-red, hung silently on the oak trees along the river bank. Fluffy white, light blue and flame red clouds float over the sky and into the river. It was the Thanksgiving Monday afternoon. We came back to the cottages from our son's wedding party and were greeted by this sunset view from the resort. No proper words to describe what we saw. But it reminded us again why we fell in love with this place in the first place.

Pleasure of meeting you

We fell in love with the resort also because we knew we would meet people like you, with different culture, in different professions, and from different geographical regions. We enjoyed drinks, laughs, stories and friendship you shared with us. We were honored to host two wedding parties during the 2015 season. We are grateful to many of you friends who returned and to many who came to try us out in 2015. We are indebted to Jason & Justine, John, Amanda, Mathew & Sarah, and Steve & Helen for the glowing reviews on Google and Facebook. 2015 was the first time they visited our resort and we were pleased they had pleasant stays with us. James, Leanne and Keagan, like many of you, distributed our brochures and refer us to their friends and colleagues. We thank you for promoting us.

Carp fishing mania

Fishing was great in 2015. Crappie and walleye (or pickerel) were caught in the spring and fall. Bass was active and biting aggressively during the months of July and August. Late in the fall, it was fun and exciting to fish and catch smallmouth bass over 5lbs cruising at deeper water. Many caught bass from the dock using warms and lures. Toto and Liza Marie caught a monster smallmouth off the dock using sweat corns for carps.

Carp fishing off the dock and from the main deck was a new phenomenon in 2015, providing unlimited excitement, fun and friendship to everyone who tried. I landed 5 in a few hours on an October sunny day. What could be better when you can catch carps over 20lbs while sunbathing on the deck with a bottle of cold beer or a cup of tea in your hand!

Hastings Swing Bridge Closed till mid-May

The Lock 18 Bridge, Hastings, is closed from January 4th till likely early May. Parks Canada is now replacing the swing bridge. If you plan to visit us prior to mid May, you may come on Hwy 7 via Peterborough or Norwood. Give us a call if you are unsure.

If you are reading this newsletter and have never been to Hastings, we highly recommend you come to spend a day touring the village of Hastings. When you are in Hastings, please drop by and visit us. You can find more information about Hastings from the village website (<http://www.hastingsvillage.ca/>). Hastings was named

in 2012 Canada's Ultimate Fishing Town. For this story and more, read the report on Toronto Star by Carola Vyhnač (http://www.thestar.com/news/canada/2012/06/22/best_fishing_town_in_canada_hastings_ontario.html).

Renovations

In 2015, we continue to execute our strategy initially planned in the 2014 season. We created a Facebook page to provide updates and also to receive feedback from you. We also completed several renovation projects during the year.

- Built a new concrete sidewalk by the shed to provide easier access
- Leveled and raised cottages 5 and 6
- Re-enforced the dock and main deck with steel beams (thanks to our friends Kole and Menka)
- Renovated cottage 3 kitchen and bathroom (thanks to Joe and Michelle)
- Started to stain outside wood panels, decks and rails (a project never ends)
- Replaced several stoves and mattresses

2016 Rental Rates Unchanged

As an appreciation to your patronage, we will keep our 2016 cottage and boat rental rates unchanged. That means you will enjoy the 2015 rates for 2016, and for next year if you book your 2017 vacation at the end of your stay this season.

We will send along a confirmation of your booking information if you booked your vacation in 2015. Let us know that the booking is accurate and up to date.

If you like to book for the 2016 season, please give us a call or send us an email. We look forward to seeing you again if you stayed with us in the past. If we have not met yet, we will welcome you with our open arms.

Your hosts: Wendy and Henry

Our Vision

Our mission is to provide you with safe, clean, comfortable and affordable accommodations, quality boats and motors, and a fun and relaxing stay with us. What drives us is our passion and love for people, nature, and fishing. What guides us are our core commitments to exceptional service and an safe and enjoyable environment.

Scene from the resort on Thanksgiving Monday afternoon
Original photo on our [Facebook](#)

