

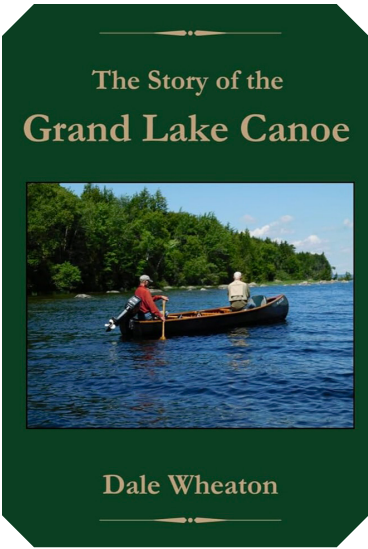


GRAND LAKE STREAMER

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Dear Friend of Weatherby's, Winter/Spring 2025

Our 22nd season is just around the corner and we would like to THANK YOU once again for all your support over the years! Without you coming to stay and fish with us, we wouldn't be here. Although we are very excited about our upcoming season and a new litter of English Cocker puppies coming in March (yes, more puppies), we want to share some sad news that came in November, 2024.



Dale Wheaton, born in Grand Lake Stream and owner of Wheaton's Lodge on East Grand Lake for forty years and a guide for sixty - passed away. Jeff learned the trade from Dale while in college at University of Maine in the 80's and guided for Dale for three summers. It was Dale and his wife, Jana that convinced Jeff to take on Weatherby's in 2002. He was a mentor and friend for more than 40 years. He will be missed by his family and the Maine Guide community in Washington County. He authored several books over the years, but his parting achievement was the publication of a book on the history of the Grand Lake Canoe last fall before his passing which is available in Weatherby's shop or at Amazon for purchase. A must read for the wooden boat enthusiast.

It is also with mixed emotions that we have decided to begin the search for the next leader of this historic property who will be able to take it into the future. We have had a good run as proprietors of Weatherby's and understand that it might take a while to find the right leader with the strength and energy to carry on the traditions of the Maine sporting camp and Maine guides of the region.

Our first Weatherby's Argentine Adventure was nothing short of a huge success. We fished the Rio Manso watershed in northern Patagonia as well as the Limay River north of Bariloche. The fishing, food and hospitality were off the charts and we have begun the planning for our 2025 Adventure. Consider joining us for this bucket list trip next December. Our SOLD OUT Bahamas Acklins/Crooked Island Adventure is coming up fast in March. Stay tuned to our Instagram for photos of our clients in

action on the flats of Acklins.

Our remote fishing trips continue to be popular and successful, in particular our Roach River Camp led by Jon Peterson. Dates again will be mid-September for three nights, with two and a half days of guided fishing. And



don't forget about our remote Northwoods Grouse Camp in the Allagash November 2-16. The 2024 hunt brought many new folks deep into the north woods with a very successful grouse season. Space is very limited for any of our remote trips, so book early to ensure you have a spot!



As always our world-class smallmouth bass fishery draws anglers from across the globe and fishing Grand Lake Stream for our native landlocked salmon is an experience every angler should have at least once. Cool, clear waters and pristine, undeveloped lake shores are the norm at Weatherby's.



Make 2025 a year you return to visit or to experience us for the first time. Learn more about our full offerings on our web site and follow us on social media to keep apprised of the happenings at Weatherby's.

Our guide crew is all returning and we are over the moon with our operations manager Abbey Michaud planning a return for yet another season, providing exceptional service to all our guests and keeping Jeff on his toes:)

Looking forward to seeing you in 2025!
The Weatherby's Gang



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Roach River - Spencer Bay, Moosehead Lake



Consider joining us for our guided Roach River fishing trip for wild pre-spawn Maine brook trout and wild pre-spawn landlocked salmon. We will camp on the shores of Moosehead Lake just minutes from the sacred waters of the Roach River, which is managed by Maine Fisheries as a wild brook trout and salmon spawning river. The fish are fat and strong, fresh out of Moosehead Lake - Maine's largest lake. As these fish are fresh from Moosehead, they are willing to take big streamer flies, but nymphing can also be very productive. Our dates are scheduled for early September and will include three nights camping with two and a half days of guided fishing, with all your meals and camping equipment. Available dates for 2025 are September 10-13, 13-16, 16-19 and 19-22. Cost \$1250 PP, DO.



Upland Hunting at Weatherby's



Every fall, the cooler weather and change of foliage mark the start of our upland season on the last Saturday in September. Both dogs and hunters anxiously anticipate opening day with unbridled excitement. Boots are oiled, shotguns checked and our best friends - the bird dogs - are spoiled. The preseason preparations are a ritual that all upland hunters know. At Weatherby's, it is no different. We love to hunt, but we don't take ourselves too seriously. It is about the woods, fresh air, wildlife, foliage, a few birds - but mostly about the dogs. There is nothing like following a good bird dog through the woods of downeast Maine in search of wild grouse and woodcock. Consider joining us for a hunt this fall and experience our grand tradition, that being upland hunting at Weatherby's!

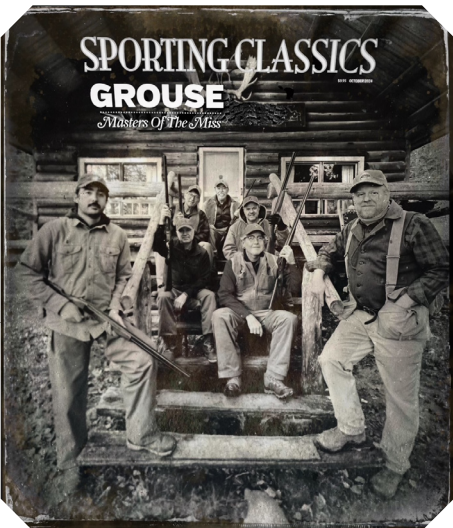


Never hunted, but curious to learn about it? Weatherby's has introduced many individuals to upland hunting and firearm safety over the years, thanks to Maine Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife and the apprentice hunter's license. This category of license allows someone that has never hunted before to experience the sport under the tutelage of a Registered Maine Hunting Guide. This license creates a tremendous opportunity for kids and adults to "try out" hunting without committing to a full hunter's safety course, which can be time consuming and a deterrent to bringing new hunters into the sport. When you stay and hunt at Weatherby's with a guide, we will teach you firearm to shoot rifles and into the woods with



and hunter safety. We will take you into the field shotguns, shoot clay targets and finally take you bird dogs to hunt wild grouse and woodcock. It is a win-win for all parties and folks can experience what hunting is all about. Give us a call to discuss options for you or your kids. Make 2025 your year to experience upland hunting at Weatherby's! Of course experienced hunters may always join us for a hunt in Grand Lake Stream for grouse, woodcock and waterfowl - guided or unguided. Limitless cover, open access, excellent flush rates.

October in Grand Lake Stream is also time for our fall run of spawning salmon. We fish until October 25 so it is possible to mix a little fishing with your hunt and we offer fall specials to help accommodate a cast and blast option for you.



Acklins Island, Bahamas March 2026

Join us March 20-27 at Grey's Point Bonefish Lodge on the northern tip of Acklins for seven nights and six days of guided bonefishing. The remote island destination of Acklins boasts miles of tropical flats and mangrove lined creeks - perfect for bonefish - the ghost of the flats. Trip pricing will include lodging for seven nights on Acklins, and six days guided fishing and all meals. Give Jeff a call to reserve your spot. Our 2025 trip sold out well in advance and we expect this trip to fill quickly too.



Argentina 2025 Limay, Rio Malleo and Rio Traful , December 1-14



We are excited to be offering our second hosted angling adventure to the Patagonia region of southern Argentina in Dec '25 - Malbec wine and fine dining and fantastic fishing. This year we are offering three rivers on consecutive dates starting December 1 through December 14. Five nights on the Malleo River at San Huberto Lodge, wade fishing and casting dry flies to hungry browns and rainbows, followed by five nights at Limay River Lodge north of Bariloche, which will provide four days floating the mighty Limay for giant rainbow trout and migratory browns. The final three nights will be spent at Estancia Arroyo Verde. Here we will wade the Rio Traful for giant browns and landlocked salmon from Maine that run over ten pounds! This adventure is all inclusive with lodging, meals, guides and transport to and from San Martin de los Andes and Bariloche airports. Fish the full ten days or only for part of the adventure. Join us for this bucket list trip and enjoy spring sunshine, fantastic fishing and food in an unforgettable setting. Give Jeff a call to discuss the details and reserve your spot for all or part of this Adventure. More info on our web site. Activities such as horseback riding, birding, hiking and mountainbiking are available for non-angling participants.



2024 20" Club Hall of Fame

The 2024 fishing season brought another proverbial boat load of big fish to the net. Although no records were set, you should have seen the ones that got away! Remember the anglers listed below **only claim** to have caught these fish. Often times there are no photos nor witnesses. These are real fish stories told by real anglers. Fish of note include a 21" smallmouth caught by first time angler Luz Pierdant, 26 inch pickerel caught by Ian Stevenson and 24" salmon caught by veteran angler Garry Crago

Date	Angler	Species	Size	Guide
4-May	Rebecca Kayser	Pickerel	20	Jon P
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8-May	Dan Daley	Salmon	20	
8-May	Steve Hirshberg	Salmon	20	
9-May	Laurel Lockett	Salmon	21	Jon P
10-May	Laurel Lockett	Salmon	21.5	Jon P
15-May	Kalon Ho	Pickerel	23	Jon P
15-May	Kalon Ho	Pickerel	25.5	Jon P
17-May	Sally Williard	Pickerel	23.5	Jon P
17-May	Chris Hardman	Pickerel	24	Jon P
18-May	Jeremy Griffin	Pickerel	22	Jon P
18-May	Chris Kelley Jr	Pickerel	20	Brian T
19-May	Chris Kelley Jr	Salmon	21	Brian T
19-May	Chris Kelley Jr	Pickerel	21	Brian T
19-May	Todd Desgross	Salmon	20	Brian T
20-May	Rick Bannerot	Pickerel	20	Josh I
21-May	John Cornell	Pickerel	22	Jon P
23-May	Rick Bannerot	Pickerel	21	John M
23-May	Rick Bannerot	Pickerel	22	John M
23-May	Rick Bannerot	Pickerel	22	John M
24-May	Mike Wolfson	Salmon	21	John M
24-May	Connor Coyle	Salmon	20	Joe G
25-May	"Gar"Marra	Salmon	21	Joe G
25-May	Ian Coyle	Pickerel	21	Josh I
25-May	Connor Coyle	Salmon	20	Josh I
25-May	Connor Coyle	Pickerel	22	Josh I
26-May	Kelly Olssen	Salmon	21	Josh I
26-May	"Gar"Marra	Pickerel	22	Hamilton
26-May	John Marra	Salmon	85	Hamilton
26-May	Griffin Masland	Pickerel	22	John F
26-May	Emma Rodgers	Salmon	21	Keaton
26-May	David Raines	Pickerel	22	Brian T
26-May	Kelly Olssen	Salmon	20	Brian T
31-May	Wil Fleming	Salmon	20	Hamilton
2-Jun	Garry Crago	Salmon	24	Hamilton
5-Jun	John Robinson	Pickerel	20	Jon P
7-Jun	Rick Kepner	Pickerel	22	Hamilton
7-Jun	Phil O'Connell	Pickerel	21	John F
8-Jun	Tom and Ian Duffus	Salmon	22	Jon P
9-Jun	Lou Dangeli	Pickerel	22	Hamilton
11-Jun	Sandi Hakanson	Pickerel	21	Jon P
11-Jun	Eric Hakanson	Pickerel	22	Jon P
13-Jun	laurel Lockett	Salmon	20	Jon P
20-Jun	Sam Dedekian	Pickerel	21	Bill R
20-Jun	Sam Dedekian	Pickerel	21	Bill R
20-Jun	Mack Hansen	Salmon	20	Hamilton
21-Jun	Doug Chase	Pickerel	22	Jon P



2-Jul	Elliot Hollen	Pickerel	21	Sue
3-Jul	John Richards	Pickerel	23	Jon P
6-Jul	Courtney Hollen	Pickerel	22	Sue
16-Jul	John Dorough	Pickerel	21	Bill R
17-Jul	Bruce Bauman	Pickerel	24	Brian T
22-Jul	Joseph Finger	Pickerel	20	Brian T
2-Aug	Michael Brywka	Pickerel	24	Hamilton
3-Aug	Rylee Krill	Pickerel	24	Hamilton
7-Aug	Lance LaRusso	Pickerel	20.5	Bill R
10-Aug	Sam Eland	Smallmouth	20	Jon P
16-Aug	Luz Pierdant	smallmouth	20	Keaton
17-Aug	Luz Pierdant	smallmouth	21	Keaton
12-Aug	Ian Stevenson	Pickerel	26	Jon P
26-Aug	Laurel Lockett	Pickerel	21+	Jon P
26-Aug	Laurel Lockett	Pickerel	23	Jon P
26-Aug	Susan Harvey	Pickerel	20	Jon P
26-Aug	Susan Harvey	Pickerel	20	Jon P
16-Sep	Rishin Nagrami	Pickerel	25	Bill R
16-Sep	Kate Womick	Pickerel	22	Bill R
20-Sep	Sid Ellner	Pickerel	22	Bill R
28-Sep	Paul Skydell	Pickerel	21	Hamilton
4-Oct	Parker North	Salmon	20	Keaton
5-Oct	Liu Liu	Salmon	20	Jon P
5-Oct	Blake Civiello	Salmon	20	Jon P
6-Oct	Liu Liu	Salmon	20	Jon P
6-Oct	Blake Civiello	Salmon	21	Jon P
8-Oct	Laurel Lockett	Salmon	21	Jon P
16-Oct	Michael Polijka	Salmon	21	Hamilton
17-Oct	Brett Warren	Salmon	20	Jon P
21-Oct	Audrey Ward	Salmon	23	
20-Oct	Warren Harden	Salmon	23	
20-Oct	Garry Crago	Salmon	20	
22-Oct	Ethan Miller	Salmon	20	Keaton
22-Oct	Amy Blake	Salmon	20	

Learn to Fly Fish at Weatherby's - Maine's Premiere Fly Fishing School



Have you always wanted to learn to fly fish like the pros but didn't know where to start? Come to Weatherby's and learn from the best! Our professional guides and instructors can teach you all you need to know to get started in the sport or teach you the skills you need to progress to the next level. We offer fixed dates for group schools and offer private instruction to individuals, couples and groups when it is most convenient for you. Call us to discuss options so we can plan a few days that will teach you what you need most. Consider our Intermediate Woman's School scheduled for May 8-11 2025 or our Woman's Novice School, June 6-10 and June 25-29, 2025.

Four nights of meals and lodging and three full days of instruction/guided fishing: \$1495 per person. Includes all meals and lodging for four nights, use of equipment, instruction for three days, Does not include license, tax/gratuity. We offer a one time 20% discount on any ORVIS product to all fishing school participants.



Weatherby's English Cocker Update

We have puppies on the way! Due March 5 and ready to go home with YOU on April 23. We bred our Saltaire female with one of our own, a Gus/Curly pup that will keep the Molly line alive. This blood-line is filled with field champions, national champions and Hall of Fame dogs (did you know there is a English cocker hall of fame?) Stay tuned for updates and lots of puppy photos coming this winter. If you would like to get on the list for one of these world class pups, let jeff know ASAP.



A Salmon Morn
by Ted Olsson - Long Time Weatherby's Guest

He awoke with the sounds of robins singing
Donned waders, vest and gathered his gear
As the feeble daylight foretold of luck ringing
For the silver-sided fish awaited his casts there

His chosen spot empty the early bird rules
Although well known others arose too late
The dark stream flowed over rocks to quiet pools
Time taken, surfaces and sounds to contemplate

Across the stream through early morning mists
Large dark shapes and movement caught his eye
Down stream a cow moose and her calf quench thirsts
Then move quietly up the stream ignoring him close by

A sudden ringed rise fast appears in the flow
His quarry made its subtle appearance on time
An emerger on his line his first cast perfect so
The fish took the fly and shot off with the line

The struggle ensued as hard as he'd ever felt
The large fish fled across the current strong
Fought the gear with leaps and fast runs dealt
Rod and reel drag held but dreading a step wrong

Fish tiring reeled in after multiple tries
Landed it cleanly at last couldn't break a fine tip-pet
Tired he marveled at its beauty, strength and size
The tiny fly taken from hooked jaw's toothed lip

Let the fish revive slowly before setting it free
He watched it calmly swim away to the deep
Thanked the salmon for the fight and memory
Of a sacred contest for this lifetime to keep.



"His fishing was not a sport, nor solely a means of subsistence, but a sort of solemn sacrament and withdrawal from the world, just as the aged read their Bibles." Henry David Thoreau, from "A Week On The Concord And Merrimack Rivers"

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Rake Fest 2025

Every spring we host a large group of anglers with a raking problem. We get 100 hours of work done in two short days while we fish at least that many. 2025 should be a light clean up unless we get some big winds this winter. If interested in joining the party, give Jeff a call. A true rite of spring - May 3 and 4, 2025.



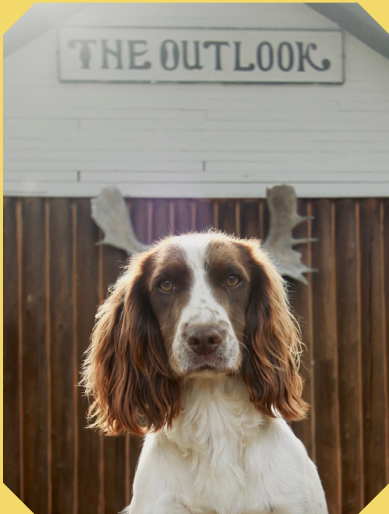
2025 Rates

American Plan
Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner / Day / Person
All inclusive pricing -
Meals, lodging, beer, house wines, Orvis equipment

Adult \$279 May 16 - June 30 and September 16 - close
\$249 May 1-May 15 and July 1-Sept.15
Children 10-15 yrs, \$105.00 (Free July/August*)
Children 4-9 yrs, \$85.00 (Free July/August*)

Guide service- \$500/day/one or two people fish
\$600/day/one or two-person upland hunt
Boat & Motor Rental - \$100.00 per day
Fishing/Hunting licenses - www.maine.gov
Dog Charge \$20/day (except Oct/Nov)
Food & Lodging Tax -9%
Canoe/Kayak - No Charge
Orvis Fly or Spinning Rod - No Charge
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Cabin only, no meals, no equipment
\$79/adult, \$49/child under 16, under 4 free : Minimum nightly charge \$175.
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