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North Western Ontario Tourism Association FISHERIES CONSERVATION SYMPOSIUM

Thursday, October 31, 2002
Fort Frances Curling Club
Fort Frances, Ontario

MANAGING FOR A SUSTAINABLE HARVEST

- 9:00 am Opening Remarks and introductions -
Geoff Gillon
- Coffee Break Sponsored by Nestor Falls Marine
- 9:15 - 11:00 am Pipestone-Despair Chain, - Linda Wahl
Presentation of available information.

Review of some good news stories in North Western Ontario.
- 11:10 - 12:00 pm Lac Seul - Michelle Robinson
Review of work completed and its effect
on the fishery. Review of any future plans.
- Lunch Guest speaker Gordon Pyzer
- 1:00 - 1:50 pm Rainy Lake - Darryl McLeod
Review of new regulations and its results
on the fishery. Review of any future
plans.
- 2:00 - 2:50 pm Whitefish Bay - Tom Mosindy
Lake Trout restoration. Results of new
regulations. Review of any future plans.
- Coffee Break Sponsored by Emo Inn
- 3:00 - 3:50 pm Cedar River Watershed - Bruce Mighton
Results of that work to date. Review of
any future plans.
- 4:00 - 4:50 pm Northwestern Ontario. - Kim Armstrong
Results of new regulations. Review of
any future plans.

Admission fee will be \$10.00.

All money over and above expenses will go to the NWOTA research fund.
This fund is set aside and used for special studies, habitat rehabilitation, and
future symposiums.

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Tickets for the **Fisheries Conservation Symposium**
can be purchased at the following places for
\$10.00/person.

Pinewood Sports & Marine, Fort Frances
Hansons Wilderness Lodges.
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Jim Rebbetoy
NWOTA office.

North Western Ontario Tourism Association 2002 ANNUAL FALL MEETING & BANQUET

Friday, November 1, 2002
Fort Frances Curling Club
Fort Frances, Ontario

TENTATIVE AGENDA

- Breakfast - sponsored by T.J. Kaemlingh & Sons Esso
8:30 am - 10:30 am
Members Meeting (*Members Only Please*)
10:30 am
*Meeting open to anyone interested in participating in
the following discussions*
- Coffee Break - sponsored by Fort Frances Times Printing
10:45 am - 12:00 pm
Border Crossing Issues
Rainy River Future Development Corporation
Review of a regional survey of Electronic Commerce
- Lunch - sponsored by
Pinewood Sports & Marine, Honda Marine
Speaker
1:00 pm - 2:30 pm
Rainy River First Nations Land Claim
Tourism Licensing
Wilderness on the Intervening Landscape
- Coffee Break - sponsored by Cloverleaf Shop-Easy
2:45 pm - 4:30 pm
NOTO
Review of Fort Frances Sport Fishing Centre Study
Hon. Howard Hampton, MPP
Economic Impact Study
- 5:00 pm - 6:00 pm
Social Hour
- 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm
Dinner
- Dinner Wine - sponsored by Sunset Country Ford
7:00 pm - 8:30 pm
"Chicken Soup for the Entrepreneur's Soul" - Barry Spilchuk
(success strategies for business owners)
Guest Speaker Sponsored by - Tompkins Home Hardware,
Yamaha Motors Canada
& Rainy River Future Development Corporation
- 8:30 pm - 1:00 am
Dance to the music of
"Milestone"

Ticket information on page 2

Tickets for the **Annual Fall Meeting & Banquet** can be purchased for 40.00/person or \$75.00/couple at:

Tompkins Home Hardware, Emo
Ture North Outposts, Cathy Mosbeck, Clearwater
Fort Frances Times, Fort Frances
Pinewood Sports & Marine, Fort Frances
Helliar's, Wayne Helliar, Nestor Falls
Hanson's Wilderness Lodges, Donna, Randy or
Maureen, Nestor Falls
Jim Rebbetoy, Sioux Narrows
NWOTA office, Morson

For more information please call the NWOTA office at 807 488-5514 or email nwota@ff.lakeheadu.ca

LOOKING FORWARD TO YOUR ATTENDANCE AND PARTICIPATION.

TOURISM FORUM – OCTOBER 16,2002

NWOTA has worked diligently in the last year or so to present our issues to the the Cretien government.

A business group has been working to rectifying the problems at the border crossings had requested a meeting with Mr. Coderre through Bob Naults office and have finally succeeded. They will be meeting with Mr. Coderre the morning of October 16th. The business group is made up of representatives from the North Western Ontario Tourism Association (NWOTA), Northern Ontario Tourist Outfitters Association (NOTO), Northern Ontario Municipal Association (NOMA), Northern Ontario Development Network (NODN), Kenora & District Camp Owners Association (KDCA) and the Northwestern Ontario Associated Chamber of Commerce (NOACC). It is hoped that at the finish of this meeting the Minister of Citizenship & Immigration and Mr. Nault will understand exactly how the tourism industry has been affected and will help in the implementation of changes to the process of crossing the border.

A Tourism Forum hosted by The Honourable Robert Nault, M.P. will be held at 7:00 p.m. on October 16, 2002 at the Best Western Motor Inn, Dryden, Ontario. There will be representatives from Citizenship & ImmigrationCanada, Canadian Tourism Commission, FedNor and special guest speaker Honourable Denis Coderre, Minister of Citizenship & Immigration.

ALL NWOTA MEMBERS ARE INVITED TO ATTEND THE TOURISM FORUM - IF YOU ARE INTERESTED PLEASE CONFIRM YOUR ATTENDANCE AT 1-800-465-7226 OR 807-223-5505 OR 807-467-8500.

**NEED INFORMATION? HAVE A COMPLAINT OR A COMPLIMENT?
KEEP IN TOUCH - - WE WANT YOUR VIEWS & NEWS!**

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CONSULTANT STUDY

A firm in Winnipeg was hired to determine how practical the installation of a fresh water fishing centre would be in Fort Frances. The centre review was for a two phase project. Phase one was a 4,000 sq ft \$1.5 million facility and phase two was a 20, 000 sq ft \$20 million facility.

The consultant stated "Resolving these issues (border) is a necessary precondition for future tourism development including development of the fishing centre."

Jeff Frank from Hilderman, Thomas, Frank and Cram will present this study at the Fall Meeting on November 1, 2002.

ECONOMIC IMPACT STUDY

Surveys have been mailed out – Please take the necessary time to complete this survey and return the finished questionnaire. The study will be conducted by an independent research company in order to insure complete confidentiality. Personal information will not be shared in any way. The data compiled from this study is crucial to demonstrate the importance of the tourism industry to the economy across Northwestern Ontario.

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