

Memorial Day Observed

Memorial Day is officially celebrated on the last Monday during the month of May. Memorial Day is dedicated to service men and women who gave their lives for freedom and country. It is also a time to remember loved ones who have passed away. The roots of Memorial Day observance, goes back to 1865 and the end of the Civil War.

The ultimate sacrifice made by millions of U.S. service men and women is perhaps best exemplified by Nathan Hale as he was about to be executed by the British for spying for the Continental Army when he said "I only regret that I have but one life to lose for my country."

Memorial Day was traditionally held on the 30th of May. In 1971, Congress changed it to the last Monday, in order to afford a three day holiday weekend. Regardless of the date, we encourage you follow Memorial Day tradition: attend a parade, and visit a cemetery to honor and remember our serviceman. Take time to remember lost loved ones in whatever way you feel appropriate. Thank you for your sacrifice.

Memorial Day Weekend Activities

- **Saturday, May 29th at 10am: Kids Bingo:** Kids join us in the Clubhouse for the first Kid's Bingo of the 2021 Camping Season! Reserve your space at the office by Friday at 7pm with the number in your group that will be attending as space may be limited! Parents are strongly urged to attend with your kids. Please wear your mask and join us in the fun! Kids play Bingo and win a prize! See you There!



- **Saturday at 7pm:**

Hayride: Hey kids the hayride is back (weather permitting)! Meet at the office.



Parents are encouraged to come and join the fun with your children. All riders MUST remain seated at all times during the ride and please be courteous to the driver. Masks required to ride.



- **Sunday May 30th at 1pm:**
- Memorial Garden. We will be holding a small ceremony at the memory garden at the front entrance. Please plan on attending this remembrance of our passed loved ones.

Birthday Greetings

Going out to the following:

- 5/28: Louis Derksen
- 5/31: Eric Gadway
- 6/2: Mike Arbour
- 6/3: Joan Reid
- 6/3 June Bennette



Happy Anniversary

We would like to wish a very special Happy Anniversary to:

- Joan & Rene Reid



We STILL Miss Our Canadian Families!

Our staff along with the folks here at the campground just want to let you know that WE MISS YOU! Blue Haven just isn't the same without all of you! Stay SAFE, stay POSITIVE, be HEALTHY and we will see you soon! Please pay attention to the updates that we provide.

- We are down to only a few Canadian guests who still need to get to the half way point in paying your site rent. Please call Blue Haven to arrange payment.
- We are continuing to mowing your lawns for you for now. If anything changes, we will update here.
- Some of our Canadian families have been with us for generations! We hope that you would trust we are trying to find ways to keep each of you as a VALUED part of our community.

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We are Hiring We need to fill a few positions. If you or someone you know has experience or interest in this position, please contact us in the office.

- Night Watchperson
- Lifeguards. Candidates must be Certified and have a valid CPR certification.

Newsletter Content Have an interesting story to tell? Do you have a recent or soon to be Graduate to celebrate? Any Birthdays? E-mail tm@plattsburghrvstore.com to have it included in future editions!

Mask Update Effective May 19th, New York has dropped the mask mandate for Vaccinated individuals in most settings. Unvaccinated individuals must still wear a mask and maintain 6' social distance. In order to consider yourself fully vaccinated, you must be two weeks after your final dose of the vaccine. We would like to thank each and every one of you for doing your part to help stop the spread here at the campground.

Bass Fishing Basics (an article by takemefishing.org)

Bass fishing can be a great experience for beginners and seasoned anglers alike. For a successful day on the water, master these basic bass fishing tips and techniques.

BASS FISHING REGULATIONS

When you set out to fish for bass, be sure to familiarize yourself with regulations that govern the sport. For starters, the fishing season for bass varies by state, and in some states, like Rhode Island, there is no closed season.

SIZE LIMITS

Certain locations have minimum size limits for bass fishing, as well as maximums for the amount you can catch per day. And keep in mind that these size and catch limits may be different based on the various species of bass. In Kentucky, for instance, there's a daily limit of 15 for rock bass and six for largemouth bass.

GET A FISHING LICENSE

You'll also want to make sure you have a fishing license before setting out. Even recreational, first-time anglers may be required to have a license. In New York, anyone 16 or older has to get a license before casting. To purchase a license, check with the state's Fish & Wildlife Department or local retail establishments. They can usually be obtained by phone, online or in person. Following these tips should minimize, if not eliminate, your risk for illegal activity so that you can focus on your fishing without worry.

BASS BEHAVIOR

Just like any target species, understanding the factors that influence bass behavior is essential to mastering how to catch bass. One

of the biggest impacts on the fish is the water temperature. Bass prefer warmer water, and the rise in temperature stimulates their appetite as well. But that doesn't mean they like it hot. So if you're fishing for bass in the summer months, they may actually be hunting for cooler water.

WEATHER

It's also valuable to learn how the weather can affect bass. Bass tend to shy away from the high sun and will seek shelter like a structure instead. In low light conditions, bass will be much more active and away from their hiding spots, making cloudy days or early morning or evening the best time to fish of bass.

FISHING MAPS

One of the best ways to find bass is to leverage today's available technology. Websites and fishfinders can help you pinpoint areas in a body of water that hold bass. Even fishing maps can hold the keys to their location by marking places like ledges where they like to congregate.

BASS FISHING LURES

One reason why bass are such a popular for beginners learning how to fish has to do with their appetites. Simply put, bass are not picky eaters. They will go after almost anything they can, although they do have some preferences: crayfish and bluegill are universally hunted by bass.

JIG

When it comes to lures, the most common and arguably effective type is a jig. There are various options when it comes to jigs depending on the environment in which you're fishing. For instance, a punch jig can be used in thick vegetation because it's heavier. Another good option for areas with weeds or grassy cover are casting jigs, since their sleek design is intended to penetrate.

TOPWATER LURE

For an action-packed day, you may want to try a topwater lure. A walking bait is one of the more popular types because of its versatility. While not novel, poppers are also a good choice, especially if you're trying to lure a bass out from under cover. Another favorite lure among bass anglers is the buzzbait.

PLASTIC WORMS

Even though they're not the most exciting, if you want to try your hand at plastics, go for a worm! Any bass, anywhere, will strike a finesse worm. You may want to try a rubber worm as well. Plastic crawlers are also a good way to mimic the bass' popular forage species.

SPINNERBAITS

Spinnerbaits are also very effective and can cover a large amount of water in a short period of time. Similar to crankbaits, they are suitable for nearly any condition. By stocking up on any of these lures, you're sure to have a productive day on the water!



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