

# MOONDANCE MESSENGER



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**Greetings from Bridge Lake!** We're back with some memorable moments from 2008. Thank you to all our guests for making it a wonderful year. We look forward to seeing you again in 2009.

~ Celine & Paul

P.S. A special thanks to guests who shared their stories and photos.



**Q:** Why are fish no good at tennis?

**A:** They don't like to get too close to the net.



## WINTER WONDERLAND

Nothing says Canada like **hockey!** And what better way to spend a winter afternoon than skating with friends and family on a frozen lake in the Cariboo! With toques and gloves in hand, step out of our cabins and breathe in the crisp clean air. Lace up your skates and hear the sharp crackling sound as your blades cut through the ice... and you're off. That's what these folks did, and a good time was had by all.

## OVER THE RAINBOW

Anticipation fills the air as your line is cast, the reel spins and the chase is on. Prepare for a battle; rainbow trout are known as "a fighter with a chip on its shoulder". But, oh the rewards...This beautiful 3 lb rainbow trout was the first of the season, after a late ice off the lake. Congratulations to Ruben Sanberg, visiting from Puyallup, WA with his brother, on a fine catch.



## "KOKANEE - SIZE"

In July, Perry Reynard and his daughter Nicole, from White Rock, headed out for their fishing adventure. Luck was certainly on their side when they caught this beauty; a 5 1/2 lb kokanee using an Apex Line and a Dodger Flasher. This one topped the list for the biggest catch at Moondance, in 2008. Outstanding results for their first visit to the Interlakes area. Well done!

## Upcoming Winter Events

**January 25, 2009** - Mt. Timothy "T. Games" - Dual Slalom Race, *Lac La Hache*

**February 7, 2009** - 30th Annual Cariboo Marathon - Cross Country Ski Races, *99 Mile Track*

**March 6-8, 2009** - 100 Mile Ladies Curling Bonspiel - South Cariboo Rec Centre, *100 Mile House*

## LET'S GET TOGETHER

Moondance Bay Resort is the ideal setting for weddings, anniversaries, family reunions and other group gatherings.

In July, the **Tobin family reunion** with a turn-out of over 70 guests, had an extraordinary time. Their celebrations included the grandfather's 83rd birthday, dining al fresco in the Kokanee Tent. The **Sauers** had such a great time in July that they decided to return again this year.

A **Forestry Class of 1973** will enjoy reminiscing about their outdoor adventures, as will the **Rabers** and **Thompsons** who were also here for reunions. **Rick Fadden** and fellow **Telus** co-workers from Kamloops (pictured on right) visited us in September for a fun-filled fishing weekend. Hopefully, it "netted" them some fantastic opportunities on their "lines".

The **McDonalds** and **Smiths**, whose grandparents were involved with the resort in the 1940s and '50s when it was know as the Bramier Lodge, also held their combined family reunions here.

We were delighted to be included in all your memorable events.



## Bridge Lake Facts



"Bridge Lake, 1969 - BC Archives"

Back in the pioneer days of fur trading, Bridge Lake was part of the historic Fur Brigade Trail, consisting of waterways and trails connecting trading posts. But, after the construction of the Cariboo Wagon Road in the 1860s, the Fur Brigade Trail became unnecessary. Today, Bridge Lake is a lively community, home to approximately 500 people, shops, art galleries, parks, trails, and much more...

## ENDLESS SUMMER



See you next time!



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