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**Subject: *Dogtooth 2001-
“A Fishing Odyssey”***

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DogTOOTH 2001 is almost here. It's been one *long* year and as always, the experienced, mature (nix the age discussion) group of veterans return to thoughts of wilderness fishing, Hockey Night in Canada, shore lunches and hyper-extended cocktail hours. We have only six this year with Stevie-Boy (aka. "The Big Dummy") electing to suck up to his new boss and stay home. It should all work out however with less food required, one more chair to sleep in, one less boat to dock and/or break down and a few extra beers for the rest of us. A few of the lake's rocks are safe for another year.

Jim-Bob will be bringing up O'Malley with his "excursion boat" in tow. Tom will fly into Kenora.

To help organize things a bit, a breakfast and dinner schedule has been sent under separate memo. When your turn is up, it will be your responsibility to recruit the help you need and to recruit KP volunteers. If there are roster changes, let me know and I will get a revised schedule out. No big deal. An unofficial request has been logged at headquarters outlining more continental type breakfasts with grains, fruit and Metamucil type ingredients. Sounds good to me – when your turn is up, do your thing.

Everyone should plan on bringing a case of their favorite malted beverage and a bottle of their favorite hooch. Last year was an exceptionally good year for Korbel Manhattans; Tom even impressed their stockholders. We anticipate Korbel may have hired on a second shift in anticipation of this year's outing. I have the "super size" and may bring two vermouths, just in case. Pay the duty at the border it's worth it. Cans of soda and water were popular the last couple of years. Age is a wonderful thing.

Plan on arriving Saturday May 26 @ the Point Cabin. I will plan on some sort of gourmet vittles that evening and would ask you all to bring some forage food as well. We can all talk smart and catch up on things. We will depart on Saturday June 2.

Bring what you need for your scheduled meal, snacks and whatever else you want to get rid of at home. It will probably get consumed. I will be bringing staples such as paper, coffee, potatoes, bread, onions, etc. I will also be taking care of shore lunch makings. If you want something special, bring it. The Big Dummy will also be getting his coffee pot and frying pan etc. to O'Malley for transport.

The only thing we may need is an additional campstove – anyone have one to bring?

Remember that leeches are still no longer transportable across the border. If you want them, you'll need to purchase them in Canada. Bring your own crawlers.

Also, please bring enough Canadian cash to pay the bill. It's a whole lot easier. Last year's total was \$375 Canadian (\$260 US). With the very favorable exchange rate, you are much better off with Canadian.

I would also figure that with less of us this year that the bill may be 20% to 25% more. I am going to plan on \$465 Canadian (\$300 US). Still cheap! Guys, at that price you can't afford to stay home!

Other Items to Bring:

Ear plugs (Everyone except and Dave – with Steve not there I guess I'm "First Chair" huh?)
Nasal strips (Dave)
An asbestos body suit with fire extinguisher if you plan on grilling
Canadian cash
Battery chargers
Extension cords
Bait (Remember that worms must be in bedding, not dirt, or you won't get across the border.)
At least one good joke
Roster of your favorite hockey team and playoff schedule info
Fishing lures to exchange with Wayne
Playing cards and cribbage board
Fishing gear
Pancake griddle (Tom)
Timer for coffee pot (Dave)
Coffee Pot and misc. Steve stuff (O'Malley)
Minnow traps
Foul weather clothing
Fillet knives and sharpeners
ZipLoks
Extra towel
Boom Box (Bill)
Bags of Ice
CD's
Big Ass Frying Pan (Dave)
12V Fillet knife (Dave)
12V Extension with adapter (Bill)
Cameras and film

I have Steve's phone numbers so we can call him and leave lewd messages.

Wayne has licenses @ the resort

If any questions come up, call me @ 763-585-5100.

Looking forward to seeing you there.

Dave