

Hard to believe that it is Sport Show time again!! Whitefish Bay Camp on Lake of the Woods near Sioux Narrows/Nestor Falls in Ontario, Canada is packing up the show booth and checking our lists to decide what we REALLY need to take for our eight week tour.

Our first show for the 2011 season is the St. Louis All-Canada Show which opens on Friday, Jan 7 at the St. Charles Convention Center. The complete list of our show circuit is on our website <http://www.whitefishbaycamp.com> you will also find our booth number for each show. Some of the shows have new venues and those booth numbers seem not to be available as yet.....as soon as we get them we will post them.

While we are not looking forward to living out of a suitcase for the duration of the tour we are exciting about seeing everyone at the shows. It is a great time for us to visit with other tourism business owners that we rarely see during the season as well to visit with our returning guests (thank you), new guests (welcome) and potential guests.

By the end of the tour we are all excited to get up to camp to open up and begin the open water fishing season. When we get home we have to wait for the ice on the lake to melt before we can move out to the island.

Much of our driving time...we cover something over 5000 miles....is spent talking about projects we would like to see get done, deciding which ones are at the top of the list and making our shopping lists so we have what we need lined up before we get to camp.

With the amount of snow we have this year we should have decent water levels...so much will depend on the thickness of the ice as to when break-up will come. If the winds come and blow the snow off the lake and the temperatures drop as they often do in January and February the ice can get very thick. Whitefish Bay is clear water so is slow to let loose! We look at early in May as the average move to the island time. Early Lake Trout fishing just so much fun....because they are in the shallower waters we can catch alot more than we can keep.....Fresh Lake Trout for dinner....Yummy!! Of course the big Northern Pike are in the shallow waters too which is SOOOOO much of a thrill, the Walleye, Bass and Crappie are busy doing their thing too...could it be that is my favorite time to fish?? Maybe, but then I remember the warm days out on the lake and I could say that is my favorite time....then we have September....I'll let you know what I decide when I have done my research!

Time to get back to work getting ready to leave on Tuesday.

Happy New Year to you all and we hope you will come see us at whatever Sport Show we are at in your area.