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ocated in Northwestern Vilas County in Wisconsin's Northwoods, Manitowish Waters is known for its quiet, less stressful surroundings perfect for a family vacation, reunion, romantic getaway, hunting or fishing excursion, or leisure day trip.

The area takes pride in offering a fantastic selection of first class restaurants with unique cuisine choices to satisfy every taste, while taverns provide a fun, friendly atmosphere and great menus as well. With accommodations to suit every need, relax in a bed & breakfast, resort cottage, private home, motel or campground. Quaint shops invite you to browse for special gifts, distinctive clothing, intricate original artwork, northwoods decor, something for the kids or cranberry-related items. All the conveniences of home are also available to make your stay complete.

Some of the finest outdoor recreation in Northern Wisconsin can be experienced in the Manitowish Waters area. Our beautiful chain of lakes provides a unique connection of 10 pristine water bodies linked by navigable channels. With over 3,500 acres, the chain is perfect for leisure boating, watersports, and fishing. Speaking of fishing, the chain and numerous other bodies of water throughout the area offer incredible fishing opportunities in search of panfish, bass, walleye, northern, crappie and the ever-challenging musky. And when the lakes freeze, some say there's nothing better than trying for those fish through the ice! The Manitowish River offers breathtaking seclusion while canoeing, kayaking or tubing. Scenic forests

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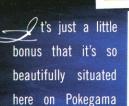
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JANUARY

- 1 HAPPY NEW YEAR!
- 11 Intro. to Snowshoeing, 10 am, North Lakeland Disc. Cntr.
- 16 Full Moon Snowshoe, 6 pm., North Lakeland Disc. Cntr.
- 17 Wolf Howling, 7-9 pm, North Lakeland Disc. Cntr.
- 25 Sno-Skeeters Spaghetti Dinner Fund Raiser, 5-9 pm, Pea Patch Saloon
- Wolf Tracking, 8-11 am, North Lakeland Disc. Cntr.

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FEBRUARY

- 9 Sno-Skeeters Lumberjack Breakfast, 9am - Noon, Pea Patch Saloon
- Owl Calling, 6-8 pm, North Lakeland Disc. Cntr.
- 15 Full Moon X-Country Ski, 6 pm, North Lakeland Disc. Cntr.
- 21 Fisher Tracking, 8-11 am, North Lakeland Disc. Cntr.
- 22 Sno-Skeeters Annual Snowmobile Raffle Drawing (2003 Ski-Doo Rev 600 HO), time & location TBA

MARCH

- Pet Rabies Clinic, 9 am-Noon, Manitowish Waters Fire House, sponsored by MW Lions Club
- 17 St. Patrick's Day X-Country Ski, 6 pm, North Lakeland Disc. Cntr.
- Full Moon X-Country Ski, North Lakeland Disc. Cntr., 6:30 pm

APRIL

- 20 HAPPY EASTER!
- 25-27 Bluegrass Show & Cajun Dance, Cozy Cove, Hwy. 51 N.
 www.onemorebluegrassshow.com

MAY

- 3 Spring Season Fishing Opener
- Discover Birding Bird Walk, North Lakeland Disc. Cntr.

- 12 MOTHER'S DAY
- 17 Discover Birding Bird Walk, North Lakeland Disc. Cntr.
- 24 Musky Season Opener
- 26 MEMORIAL DAY

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JUNE

- 1 MW Lions Golf Outing. Public welcome to join in a day of golf, food & prizes. Location TBA.
- 15 FATHER'S DAY

MW Lions BINGO

June 2 thru Aug. 25. Every Monday except July 14 7-10pm at MW Community Center

MW Skiing Skeeters WATER SKI SHOWS

June 25 thru Aug. 23. Wednesday & Saturday 7pm at Rest Lake Park (Special show July 4, 7:30pm)

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Every Wednesday at 9:00 am June 25 thru August 20

THURSDAY EVENING PROGRAMS

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JULY

MW July 4th Celebration
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JULY, cont.

- Just Tri It Triathlon Event, North Lakeland Disc. Cntr. 300-yd. swim, 15 km mountain bike, 5k trail run.
- 10-12 Used Book Sale, Friends of Koller Library, 4-8pm (10th); 9am-3pm (11th); 10am-noon (12th).
- 11 MW Lioness Salad Luncheon. 11:30 am - 2:30 pm, Community Cntr. Style Show, Salad Lunch, Raffles, Door Prizes.
- 16 MW Community Church Fleazaar Hwy. 51, 7 am - 4 pm.
- 17-20 38th Annual Manito Art League Art Show at MW Community Cntr., 10am - 5pm daily; 10am-2pm Sunday.
- 18 MW Lions Public Steak Fry, in pavilion behind Community Cntr., 5-7 pm.
- Taste of Manitowish Waters. Let your taste buds do the talking! Samples of area restaurant delicacies & beverages sold; live music. In pavilion behind Community Cntr. 11am-2pm.
- 21-28 14th Annual Bluegrass Show & Cajun Dance, Cozy Cove, Hwy. 51 N. www.onemorebluegrassshow.com
- 23 Libations for the Koller Library. Hors d'oeuvres, raffles & beverages at Little Bohemia, 5 - 7 pm.
- 25-27 Northwoods Summer Art Tour. View artwork throughout 4 Northwoods counties. 9am 5pm daily.
- 27 Northwoods Gun Show, at MW Community Cntr. 8 am 5 pm. Buy sell, trade, appraisals.
- 29 MW Lioness Golf Outing, at Tahoe Lynx in Mercer. Public welcome.

AUGUST

2-3 Manitowish River Fest. Canoe & kayak demos, arts & crafts, kid's activities, speaker series, concessions, live music, birchbark canoe rides, paddle & portage race, historic pontoon rides & more. North Lakeland Disc. Cntr.

- 7 MW Lions Pork Chop Dinner, Pavilion behind Community Cntr., 5 - 7 pm.
- 17 M.W. Fire Dept.
 Harley Raffle Drawing
 & Open House. 1-4 pm
 at Fire Hall.
 - 24 Sno-Skeeters Annual Fall Dinner, 6 pm at Little Bohemia.
- 30 Sno-Skeeters 21st Annual Pig Roast, 2 pm at Trails End. Food, games, raffles.

SEPTEMBER

- 1 Labor Day
- 5-7 27th Annual World Championship Musky Classic. Fish designated waters in Manitowish Waters, Presque Isle, Winchester & Boulder Junction. Awards, food, raffles. Call for entry info.
- 7 MW Lions Cash Raffle, 5-8 pm, MW Community Cntr.

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OCTOBER

- 31 32nd Annual Kornstalk Karnival, North Lakeland Elementary School, 5-8pm.
- 31 HAPPY HALLOWEEN!

NOVEMBER

- 3-14 MW Chamber Annual Christmas Wreath & Garland Sale. Call 715-543-8488 to order. Pickup Nov. 28 & 29, 11 am - 2 pm, Swanberg's Bavarian Inn.
- Deer rifle season opener.
- 28 HAPPY THANKSGIVING!

DECEMBER

25 MERRY CHRISTMAS!





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- Waste & Recycling Center
- Water Ski Shows/ Boat Landing
- 8. Koller Park
- 9-13 Cranberry Marshes
- 14-17 Boat Landings
- 18. Catholic Church
- Community Presbyterian Church
- Powell Marsh Wildlife Refuge
- 21. Powell Marsh Hike/Ski Trail
- 22. Little Star Beach (NH-AL State Forest parking permit required)

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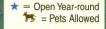
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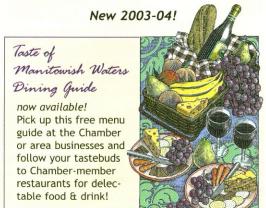
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Located in Lac du Flambeau on Hwy. 47. Casino has 101 hotel rooms, 800 slots, 12 blackjack tables, 24-hr. food court & 2 cocktail lounges. Restaurant with superb cuisine. 8,500-sq. ft. convention center. National entertainment, RV campground. Woodlands Oasis indoor aquatic recreation & fitness area with sauna, whirlpool, arcade & children's pool.

LITTLE BOHEMIA RESTAURANT 715-543-8433

Enjoy a relaxing dinner at historic Little Bohemia Restaurant overlooking beautiful Little Star Lake. Visit the famous hideout of John Dillinger & Baby Face Nelson. See bullet holes & memorabilia left behind after the shoot-out. Closed Wed. Lunches served in season. Remember "Dillinger only left because he had to." www.littlebohemia.net.



MICHAEL'S *

715-543-2550

A restaurant, bakery & ice cream parlor located on Hwy. 51 in Manitowish Waters. Specializing in homemade bakery, ice cream treats, cranberry country products, breakfast & lunch specialties, along with a full service off-premises catering service. Open year around 7 days a week. Award-winning chili in a bun! www.michaelsparlor.com

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Located next to the dam in beautiful Manitowish Waters. It's your home away from home while vacationing or simply traveling through Northern Wisconsin. We are located next to the famous 10-lake chain which offers the state's best sport fishing as well as gorgeous beaches & water sports areas.

PINE BARON'S ★ 715-543-8464

A gourmet restaurant & custom catering service. Offering intimate dining in a casual country setting, our emphasis is on creative & elegant international fare with great attention to quality & service. A relaxing setting of local memorabilia completes your dining experience. Pine Baron's... "where dining is always a celebration."

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SKYVIEW LODGE ★ 715-686-2928

Skyview has been a dining landmark since the 1940s. Enjoy a drink on the deck; if it's chilly, relax in front of our fieldstone fire-place. Watch the wildlife while you eat. Our 16-unit motel overlooks peaceful Boot Lake. Located on Cty. Hwy. W (Trail #6) in Presque Isle. Open for breakfast, lunch & dinner during snowmobile season. 1-800-480-2928

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Come to the Soda Grill for your special ice cream treat (Chocolate Shoppe) or maybe breakfast, lunch or snack. We also carry many of your daily needs: newspapers, cards, health & beauty aids, sweatshirts, T-shirts, & many miscellaneous items. LaPorte's Shopping Center. Downtown Manitowish Waters.

VOSS' BIRCHWOOD LODGE 715-543-8441 (summer)

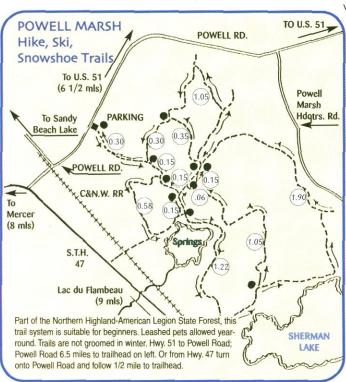
Family owned & operated since 1910. Reminiscent of a bygone era, Voss' remains one of Northern Wisconsin's finest summer resorts. Fully equipped housekeeping cottages, lodging rentals & suites in the main lodge. Nestled in a quiet bay of Spider Lake on Manitowish Chain. Breakfast & dinner served overlooking the lake. Luncheon & shops in the chalet building. Open June-Sept. Send for our brochure: Voss' Birchwood Lodge, P.O. Box 456, Manitowish Waters, WI 54545. 715-543-2072 (winter)

Outdoor Recreation at its Finest!

• Wonderful Waters - The Manitowish River flows 44 miles from High Lake in Boulder Junction to the Flambeau Flowage in Mercer with 3 portages, campsites and breathtaking scenic beauty along the way. The river is slow flowing, perfect for canoeing and kayaking.

Among other waterbodies in Manitowish Waters, the 10-lake chain provides over 3,500 acres of water to explore in many capacities. Vilas County is home to 1,327 lakes and 73 rivers & streams, ranking as one of the highest lake concentrations in the world!

• Recreational Trails - In addition to the Powell Marsh and North Lakeland Discovery Center, Manitowish Waters has a short but delightful paved hike/bike trail that traverses from the Discovery Center through downtown on CTH W and south along Hwy. 51 to Powell Road. Vilas County and neighboring counties also offer a wide array of other hike, bike, ski & snowshoe trails for all abilities. It is



LEGEND: Trail ----- Direction of Travel → Distance Marker ●

very common for people to walk and bike the county roads as well. Not to forget, some of the best snowmobile trails exist in the Manitowish Waters area!

- Northern Highland-American Legion State Forest 226,000 acres in parts of Vilas, Oneida & Iron Counties including areas for picnicking, hike/bike & ski/snowshoe trails, family, group and wilderness campsites, hunting and snowmobiling.
- Powell Marsh Popular for hunters, birders, trappers & hikers. Powell Marsh contains an 1,800 acre wildlife refuge. Numerous species of birds and waterfowl can be seen by walking out onto the dikes or viewing with binoculars from the scenic overlook on Powell Road.

For trail & lake maps, county & town road maps, and other recreational information, contact the Manitowish Waters Chamber of Commerce at 1-888-626-9877 or www.manitowishwaters.org

Sno-skeeters snowmobile glub

The Manitowish Waters Sno-Skeeters Snowmobile Club was founded in 1968 and is one of the oldest snowmobile clubs in existence today in Wisconsin. Located in the very northwest corner of Vilas County, Manitowish Waters borders the Lake Superior snow-belt country. With average winter snowfalls of 150 inches and over 25 miles of professionally groomed trails, the area is one of Vilas County's top winter vacation areas.

The Manitowish Waters trail system is a unique hub network directly linking into 5 other trail systems. With Minocqua/Woodruff to our south; St. Germain to our east; Lake Gogebic to our north; Mercer/Hurley to our northwest; and Lac du Flambeau/Price County to our west, our area residents and guests can choose from a variety of daily destinations.

The Manitowish Waters Sno-Skeeters maintain an active grooming schedule for the area's trail system, with coordinated efforts with the surrounding communities to provide continuous smoothly groomed trails in this northwest sector. The Sno-Skeeters own and operate some of the newest grooming equipment on the market today. Support the club by attending their special events listed on this guide's calendar, pages 14 & 15.

For Trail Information and Weather Conditions: 1-888-626-9877 or www.mw-snoskeeters.com



North Lakeland Discovery Center

1.2 miles east of US 51 on CtH W in Manitowish Waters



Art Fair
Pontoon Cruises
Voyaguer Paddle Trips
Pancake Breakfast
Fish Boil
Live Music
Children's Activities
Drum & Dance Group

See a sampling of our programs in the calendar section on page 14-15

call toll-free for your free summer or winter program guide 877-543-2085

www.discoverycenter.net

Year Round Program Offerings

*Children's Programs

*"Just Tri It" Triathlon

*Canoe & Kayak Trips

* Birch Bark Canoe Trips

*Interpretive Trail

*20km of hike, bike and ski trails

*Facility Rental

*Soup & Ski

*Snowshoe & Ski Lessons



Hike/Bike/Ski/ Snowshoe Trails

The Discovery Center is a non-profit educational center dedicated to exploring, preserving and enhancing the area's natural, cultural and historic resources. We provide authentic programs that are relevant to the area. These programs educate people and give them the knowledge and enthusiasm needed to care for and preserve the resources of our region.

We maintain 20km of hiking, biking and sking trails. The trails offer a glimpse at the various habitats in the northwoods following pine tree-lined paths, bogs and the Manitowish River. In the summer you can hike or bike on your own and during the winter months we groom the trails for classic-style skiing. Rest on a bench along the trails and enjoy the educational wayside exhibits. We do not ask for a trail fee but we appreciate a donation to help offset the cost of maintenance.

here are currently five cranberry marshes in Manitowish Waters ranging in

size from 63 acres to 186 acres, totaling about 600 acres. These marshes were started soon after World War II in an area of Wisconsin not known for cranberry production. Three of the marshes are still owned and operated by the original families. These pioneers undertook building what is today a major scenic and economic contributor to Wisconsin's northwoods. The cranberry marshes surround the northeast one-third of Little Trout Lake, which is located along the southern edge of the Manitowish Waters town line. The Powell Marsh Wildlife Refuge and the Lac du Flambeau Indian reservation surround the other two-thirds of this nearly uninhabited pristine lake.



FREE CRANBERRY MARSH TOURS FRIDAYS AT 10:00 AM

July 11 - September 12, 2003: Meet at the Manitowish Waters Community Center.

September 19 - October 17, 2003: Meet at Alder Lake Cranberry.

(See map on pages 16 & 17 of this guide for locations)

The tour starts with a sample of juices & cranberry treats, watch a short video, view an educational pictorial display, then follow a guide to look at the cranberries blooming, growing and being harvested depending on the time of year you choose to visit.

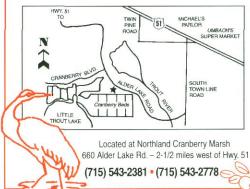
Please call the Manitowish Waters Chamber of Commerce at 715-543-8488 for further information.

Cranberry Square Cranberry Farm Market

A working cranberry marsh in Manitowish Waters

- · Gift Shop Open May October
- · Educational Display & Movie
- Expanded Line of Cranberry Gifts
- · Gourmet Items · Cranberry Candies Sweetened Dried Cranberries

 - Fresh Cranberries from Mid-September to late October

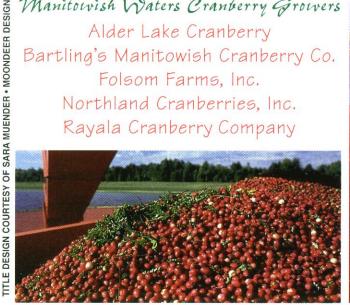


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Manitowish Waters Cranberry Growers

Alder Lake Cranberry Bartling's Manitowish Cranberry Co.

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Manitowish Waters, WI

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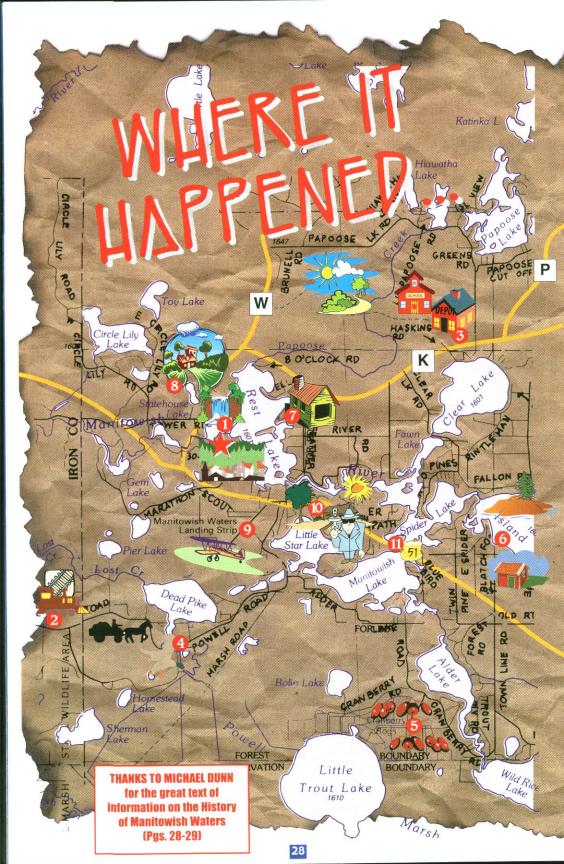


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LEGEND

★ THE BUSINESS DISTRICT OR DOWNTOWN

A small lodging place like a roadhouse went into business near the dam and landing, and other businesses gradually began to appear here because this was where people were arriving or departing. The grocery store and hardware store made their appearance in the 1930s and the wide range of other shops followed.

1. THE REST LAKE DAM

The dam was built on the site of low waterfall or rapids. This is the third dam on the site, and it controls the level of the lakes in the Manitowish chain. The first dam was built of logs to impound water to facilitate spring drives of saw logs down the Manitowish River, the flambeau and on to sawmills in the Chippewa Falls and Eau Claire area. The release of the water pent up behind the dam gave the logs sufficient water to float downstream and it speeded their travel. Skilled woodsmen followed the logs down the rivers, and were called drivers. They pushed strays back into the stream and broke up jams. On the flat below the dam were the facilities to support the drive: bunkhouses, probably a blacksmith, a cabin for the dam keeper and a garden for him. A cook and supply boat followed the log drive to feed the drivers. This was built here each season and was known as a wanigan. Above the dam was the landing. A steamboat was built to raft the logs on the upper lakes to the dam, and when not in use it was tied up here. When visitors discovered the lakes and resorts began catering to them, a wagon road was built between the railroad station at Manitowish and this landing. Buckboards and wagons brought vacationists and supplies to the landing. There the hosts from the resorts would meet them with the resorts' launches or powerboats.

2. POWELL ROAD

Early travelers before 1910 or 1912 mostly came by rail from Chicago and Milwaukee on overnight trains with Pullman sleeping cars, and arrived at the chain of lakes in the morning. They had three ways to get here. Most took the Chicago & North Western to Manitowish had the depot, a small hotel, and a livery whose owner provided service by horse and wagon or horse and buckboard to the Rest Lake landing. Some travelers got off the North Western sleepers at Powell, the station before Manitowish for northbound travelers. There was a roadhouse at Powell where they could get breakfast and then they could make the trip by wagon or buckboard along the fringes of Powell Marsh (route of today's Powell road) to a landing on Little Star Lake, where the launches from their resorts were waiting.

3. PAPOOSE JUNCTION

Still others came north on the Milwaukee road on its overnight train as far as Minocqua, where they boarded a coach on the rear of a slow freight train which brought them right to Rice Creek Bridge. There they could alight right from the coach and step into the resort launches. Rice Creek is right off of Island Lake, and there was a side track there for freight cars with resort supplies, and some of those very launches were unloaded from train cars into the creek. From Rice Creek the train proceeded a mile or two to Papoose Junction, where it turned around on a three-legged wye track. Today's Papoose Lake Road is on the grade of the north leg and the train usually made a trip up that leg a mile to Buswell too. Buswell was active from about 1906 to about 1913 and had a sawmill, store and mill village, and was where children from Island and Clear Lakes went to school. Small sandy lanes from Highway K onto Papoose Lake Road from either the east or the west are legs of the old wye turnaround trackage that was Papoose Junction, almost the only reminder that passenger-carrying trains once touched the Manitowish Waters lakes directly.

4. POWELL MARSH

One of the largest marshes in the state, Powell Marsh has been developed in places as a wildlife refuge and resting place for migrating birds. There is a viewing point on Powell Road which shows the extent of the marsh from one side and some of the diking the DNR has done. Powell Marsh Road, a one-track lane, goes out onto the marsh on a dike from near the intersection of Powell and Alder Lake Roads. This and some other access roads are gated as they reach the watery area. The dike here that crosses the marsh almost to Highway 47 was once a railroad grade, and logs from around the chain were taken across the marsh and down the North Western Railway track to a mill at Lac du Flambeau; the mill closed in 1913.

5. CRANBERRY MARSHES

The cranberry marshes have grown greatly in importance and in extent since development of cranberry marshes began right after World War II. The first marshes were developed near Little Trout Lake and Wild Rice Lake and have spread from those beginnings. One of the canals used by the cranberry growers is actually a modernization of a canal that a summer home owner from Chicago built between his estate on Little Trout Lake and Alder Lake. He built a boathouse near the Alder Lake end of the canal, and had locks to compensate for a difference in lake levels. The canal was actually part of a network of canals that the Chicagoan built almost all the way to the railroad station at Lac du Flambeau around the turn of the last century. Digging canals through the vast expanses of marsh between Flambeau, his estate, and the Manitowish Chain was easier than building embankments for roads. The last buildings from his summer vacation home were removed when the cranberry marshes were developed.

6. EARLY RESORTS

Summer resorts catering mainly to fishermen developed on the chain before 1900. One of the very first was LaFave's on Island Lake, and was a log lodge and a few cabins clustered on the island; when travelers all came by boat the island location was an advantage because it put the visitors right in the heart of the fishing. When that became a disadvantage, the resort was relocated on the mainland and the island sold for private redevelopment. Two other American plan hotel-and-cabin resorts developed near the Highway 51 bridge in the first few years of the 1900s: Buck's Resort, which became Koerners; and Deer Park Lodge, whose proprietor even doubled as the town's first schoolteacher at a school near his property. Both of these locations have now been turned into residential use or different lodging places. Voss' Birchwood Lodge graciously carries on the tradition of the early 1900s and is the resort with the longest history of operation by its founding family-almost 90 years and four generations of family.

CAMP JORN

YMCA has been operating for more than twenty years and offers a number of services. The camp property was developed as a summer estate by a variety of owners, one of whom even tried to grow ginseng on the site; one owner was automobile manufacturer Charles Nash.

8. NORTH LAKELAND DISCOVERY CENTER

Former Youth Conservation Corps Camp (YCC) where young people spent summers learning conservation practices and working on special projects like stream improvement. The property is dotted with rustic bunkhouses, a log sauna and main lodge.

9. AIRPORT

Development of the airport came right after World War II when the public enthusiasm for aviation burgeoned, and the airpost has grown from its humble beginning with just one hangar-office and one Thangar fronting on a grass strip. Since it is under municipal ownership, the airport area has been the ideal site for municipal buildings and play and picnic grounds.

10. LITTLE BOHEMIA

In 1934, as the winter ice was breaking up, the FBI got a tip that fugitive gangsters John Dillinger, Baby Face Nelson, some associates and some girlfriends might be hiding out and catching their breath at Little Bohemia. Agents flew up to Northern Wisconsin and moved in to capture the group. Shooting broke out as they moved in from the parking lot side, and the low bank along the lake shore enabled Dillinger and Nelson to make their escape. Damage from the shooting and memorabilia from the event are still preserved. The lodge is still now a restaurant in its seventh decade in business.

11. HIGHWAY 51

The channel between Spider and Manitowish Lakes was an obstacle to car travel until a bridge was built, around 1910. The first roads southeast of there were built along the section lines and made right turns every mile; they survive today as paved town roads. The straight diagonal route of Hwy. 51 was not built until about 1930 because it required so much construction across marshlands. The highway was originally numbered Hwy. 10 until the Federal Highway system absorbed it. U.S. 51 begins at Hurley, north of Manitowish Waters, and runs south as far as Louisiana.

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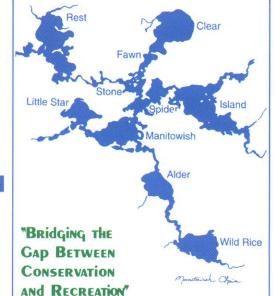
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Manitowish Waters Airport

Location Latitude 46-07.25 Longitude 89-52.75 Elevation 1610 Runways 4-22 Turf 3300' x 120' 14-32 Asphalt 3500' x 60' Fuel Available 100LL MoGas Unicom 122.8 FAA ID (D25) 364.000 MHA NDB GPS Approach Available Airport Weatherization (715) 543-2911 Attended year 'round. • Phone: (715) 543-8320

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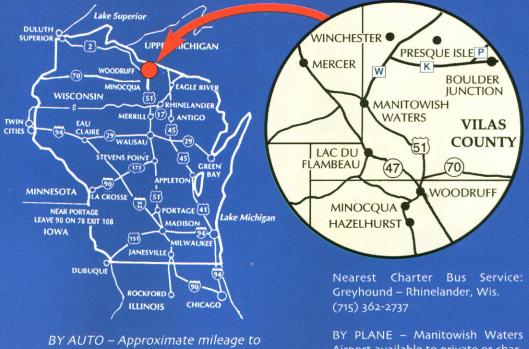
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BY AUTO – Approximate mileage to Manitowish Waters from:

Wausau, WI 89 miles Madison, WI 250 miles Milwaukee, WI 315 miles Chicago, IL 356 miles Minneapolis, MN272 miles
Duluth, MN 141 miles
Cincinnati, OH 640 miles
Dubuque, IA 320 miles

BY PLANE – Manitowish Waters Airport available to private or charter planes. Nearby Lakeland Airport (Arbor Vitae). Rhinelander/ Oneida County Airport (commercial flights). For more information call (715) 543-8320

MANITOWISH WATERS CHAIN OF LAKES INFORMATION

LAKES	ACRES	MAX.DEPTH	LAKES	ACRES	MAX.DEPTH
Alder Lake	274	33	Manitowish Lak	æ 506	58
Clear Lake	555	45	Rest Lake	640	49
Fawn Lake	73	14	Spider Lake	272	43
Island Lake	1023	35	Stone Lake	139	43
Little Star Lake	244	63	Wild Rice Lake .	379	26



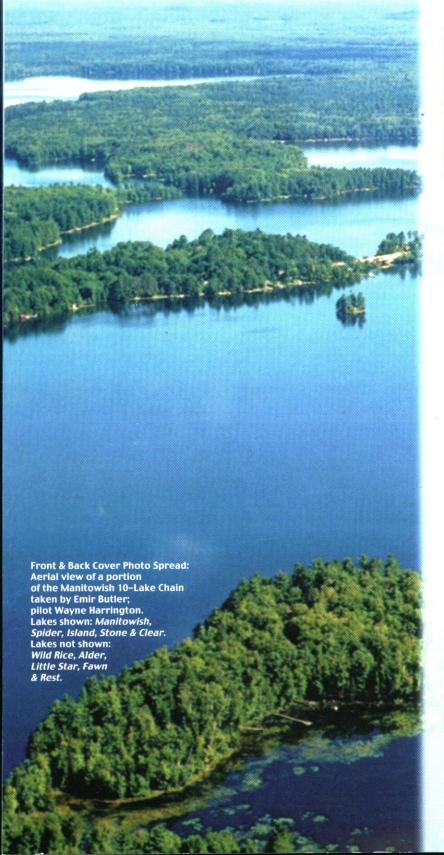
Tom Stegerwald of North Prairie, WI caught this beautiful musky on the Manitowish Chain of Lakes October 23, 2002, weighing in at 30-1/2# and measuring 47-1/8". (Photo courtesy of Townline Sports)

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