

Whitetail News

Happy New Year!

By Dave Baideme

What a year!

Wow does time fly! Another decade is gone. I spent some time reflecting on the last 10 years enjoying fond memories and the people that helped create them.

Life is memories and I am glad you chose to create and share them with us here at NettieBay in 2009.

As planned we were successful in placing new stands on the property, planting new food plots, and repositioning a couple of old blinds.

This year we will be raising more blinds off the ground, and planting more food plots.

If you would like to change stands please contact us immediately.


If you have any changes you

would like to see at your blind please let me know. Like wider windows, leaky roof repair, trees taken down, etc.

Thank you to everyone who joined us in 2009. We look forward to seeing you this year.

“Worker Bee”

The annual worker bee weekend will fast approach. Traditional time is the weekend after Mothers Day so it will fall on May 7th-9th.



This is a great time to see the property and scout out new food plots.. As always lodging is complimentary.

Congratulations 2009 Best Buck Contest Winner

Mike Vitale returns after 25 years to bag an 11 point buck and win the best buck contest!



Congratulations on an amazing shot at 160 yards through tree branches!

- HAPPY NEW YEAR!
- SPRING TURKEY DEADLINE 2/1/10
- BEST BUCK WINNER 2009 MIKE VITALE
- 2010 PRICING AND **NEW DEPOSIT RULES**
- DEER MANAGEMENT
- RULE CLARIFICATION

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Soup on the go was introduced in '09 with wild success! We will continue this new tradition this year.

A special thank you to Jay's for being a sponsor of the 2010 statewide Michigan Predator hunt.



Deer Management @ NettieBay Lodge

I believe the rule change from 8 point or better to no spikes on purpose was successful.

Without a doubt we saw less deer across the county and surrounding areas this year. Cheboygan County (the county to our west) issued no doe tags in '09.

The area deer population will be closely monitored .

A NettieBay doe lottery may be adopted in the future if we continue to see a decline in numbers in the 2010 season.

With more food plots being planted late summer we will have some really good bow hunting spots available this year.

Rape was test planted in our food plots last year.

The rape grew very well in all areas. Rape will now be planted as well as doubling the oats and rye seed in all food plots.

In the past 200lbs of triple 12 fertilizer to 100lbs of seed was used per acre. This year we will be using 200lbs of oats and rye. Also 50lbs of rape will be planted vs. the 5lbs that was tested.

New seeds may be tested this year as well, if you have any suggestion please let me know.

If you would like to help us save money in the future and receive this newsletter via email please let us know via email at info@nettiebay.com



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Spring Turkey

Deadline for submitting your spring turkey license is fast approaching, Feb 1, 2010.

You will not want to miss the opportunity to hunt spring gobblers in Presque Isle County.



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Property Lock-down a Success

Having the property on lock-down during hunting hours worked well this year.

We will continue this practice in the future.

Blinds will not be vacated during hunting hours if it will disrupt another hunter.

This will be determined by NettieBay management.

Deer will not be removed from the property if this will disrupt another hunter. The exception to this is warm weather.



2010 Pricing & Deposit Rules

The price of the Nov 15th 2010 rifle hunt will remain unchanged at \$1095.

We are asking all our past hunters to send a minimum of a \$100 deposit by Feb 12th to hold your place for 2010 with the remaining deposit due May 31st.

There has been a huge response from the Michigan Out of Doors TV show this year that has resulted in a waiting list for the first week of rifle 2010.

If you did attend the 2009 hunt and will not be returning this year please let me know so I can contact people on the waiting list.

Please help us by sending in your deposits ASAP.

2010 Black Bear

With the success of Chris Gregorek in the 2009 Bear season. Bear hunts are now available at NettieBay Lodge. Be sure to apply for your 2010 bear tag.



225lbs Black Bear 2009