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2025 *Dry Rot* Boat Show **August 29th – September 1st, 2025** **Priest Lake, Idaho**

Who's ready to start thinking about summer and boat shows, especially the Priest Lake *Dry Rot* registration? Get your registration filled out and sent in. North Idaho's *Dry Rot* Show never disappoints for a fun filled, exciting event **using** your boat or getting to ride in someone else's boat. Rain or shine (or smoke)...the show goes on, so bring the appropriate clothing, keeping in mind you might see all kinds of weather – which seems to just bring more adventures & stories.

Friday Night, August 29 - Dinner at Nordman Restaurant - Time – 6:00 p.m. Great way to kick off the *Dry Rot* show. A true redneck bar & restaurant, with down home registration packet and **again this year, we will be bringing out and selling our custom t-shirts & hats at the Friday night dinner. Limited number, so don't miss out.** With the Poker Run the following morning, there will be a short explanation of the events, including the Poker Run.

Saturday, August 30 – Poker Run – Again, the start will be out front our cabin. Prime group photo opportunity too. We will include a map in your packet.

The traditional Fair/Hansen/Thomas jello shots will be offered & promise to help with parking your boat ;)

Awards for the Best Poker Run Time & Best Poker Hand will be handed out at the BBQ dinner later Saturday night. Must be present to win.

Saturday Night, August 30 - Dinner at Fair's cabin. Time – 5:30 p.m. Longhorn BBQ will cater our event, come relax & share your Poker Run adventures. Need to be present to win.

Because of limited dock space, we will have a shuttle boat (the *Kaniksu* tour boat) at Elkin's Resort, leaving Elkins dock at 5:30 sharp, returning at 2 different times after dinner & dessert. Enjoy s'mores by the firepit looking out on the lake & night stars, and just relax. Bring your own booze/wine/beer. Water, soda, ice will be provided. So come relax & don't worry about boating across the lake in the evening...the shuttle will do the driving. There will be 2 different times for the shuttle to depart back to Elkins after dinner.

Sunday, Aug 31 – Public Boat Show buffet breakfast at **Elkins Resort**, boats start arriving at 8:00 a.m. to get a prime spot. Elkins has promised to make sure they will have enough staff on hand this year. Make sure to fill out your Captain's Choice ballot & return to Kathy before leaving Elkins – ballots returned after 11:30, will not be accepted and you will not receive another one. "The Roar Off", our boat parade, starts promptly 11:30 a.m., so fun cruising & waving at the people on the docks as we boat by to Hill's Resort for the "Gin Fizz" gathering with the Priest Lake Yacht Club members. Captain's Choice & Dock Walker's Awards will be handed out at this event. Fun to see your name on the Captain's Choice award which is kept at Elkin's Resort year-round, & Dock Walker's award kept at Hill's Resort for everyone's viewing.

Monday, Sept 1 – At 9:30 a.m., start gathering out front Fairs cabin (just east of Elkins Resort – see map in your packet – water is calmer there instead of Elkins) for the 10:00 a.m. cruise to the **Upper Lake**. If you don't want to drive your boat, but want to come, please give Kathy a call at 509-993-6122. We will arrange a ride for you. We parade up the north end of the lake to the thoroughfare and cruise until we reach the Upper Lake. We will cook our hotdogs with all the fixings, chips & soda. Don't miss not being presence for the annual Upper Lake *Dry Rot* group photo & wear your 2025 *Dry Rot* t-shirt & hat, or a previous *Dry Rot* year t-shirt. I always love seeing that photo!

A Couple of Worthy Notes:

Saturday Night Dock Space – For the Saturday night BBQ at the Fairs, there will be super limited space for boats attending the BBQ, therefore, if for some reason you can't take the shuttle, reach out to one of us (Brian or Kathy) & we will arrange something to get you to our cabin.

Rain or shine...dress accordingly & be ready for a fun packed weekend of boating & events. Rain, shine or smoke, the show goes on. We are a hearty group.

Lodging at Elkins, Hill's & Nordman have limited cabins left. A good option are private cabins being rented out thru VRBO & Air B&B websites. Lots of rooms are available at "Inn at Priest Lake" and their number is 208-443-2447, Coolin Motel's number is 208-443-2712 or Priest Lake Marina at 208-443-2405. Of course, always RV or camping spots are available...see a different side of the lake, new stories, new adventures.

Cell Phone Service - During the show, cell phone service isn't the best up at Priest Lake, but keep trying if you have a question, or better yet, ask one of us in person.

Any questions? Check out the *Dry Rot* website at priestlakedryrot.com. I will be sending out another email as we get closer to August. If you still have questions, please contact Brian Fair at 509-990-6796 brianf@carlsonsheetmetal.com or Kathy Fair at 509-993-6122 or kathy@priestlakedryrot.com.