

Facowie Lodge Important Information

Your Vacation is about to begin and I would like to Welcome to the Lodge! Here is some helpful basic information about the Lodge that you may find helpful. It is best to print off a copy and bring it with you so you can have it readily available.

Directions: The property is 19.1 miles when you turn at Orr, (just past the Sportsman's Bar and it will be on the left) at fire number 6245, and there is a white sign that says "hunting, fishing & snowmobiling" on it. Underneath there is a sign hanging that says "FacowieLodge.com" on the post.

Lodge Key Pad on Entrance Door: The units are clearly marked with a wooden plaque, as your facing the Lodge, Grand is on the left and Loon is on the Right. The key code to get in the unit is at the top of this page. Once you enter in the code, the light will turn green and you turn the deadbolt knob to open up the lock. To lock it back up you do the same (sometimes you will need to pull the door a bit tighter towards you to line it up with the hole). At night, it is advisable to have a flashlight handy to assist.

Utilities: (If I am not up they or no other guests, they may need to be turned on)

Grand Lodge: Right inside of the laundry room there are 4 labeled switches. The laundry room is a shared area, so you may want to keep the inside door locked. All of the switches are off right now and you can go ahead and turn them all on.

Loon Lodge: The key for the laundry room is right inside of Loon's entrance door to the left next to refrigerator (please make sure the key is returned upon your departure). The switches are in the Laundry room, which is to the left of your main entrance door, with a laundry room sign.

Switches: Right inside of the laundry room there are 4 labeled switches. The laundry room is a shared area for both units. Switch on the 3 switches:

- Well
- Hot Water
- Furnace Switches (One for each Loon & Grand – switch on your side if needed)

Cell Phone Service: Cell phone service will typically end just out of Orr and will not be present until about 5 miles past Facowie Lodge towards Crane Lake.

Phone in the Cabin & Contacting Me: If you have any problems or questions, there is a portable phone next to the refrigerator. The line (218-750-1820) is shared with both lodges and the garage, so please take messages for all guests. You can also go to The Sportsman's by the Lodge and call me from their telephone (320-267-4881). I also have wireless internet at the Lodge for you to use and you can e-mail me with questions (dmagelssen@aol.com). ***By the way, The Sportsman's has the best burgers and pizza in the area!***

Wireless Internet: It is all set up to go with the below information. The main source is coming from the garage and I have a repeater in the window of Grand Lodge by the bathroom sink area to help strengthen the signal in the Lodge. If you are staying in Grand, please make sure that it stays plugged in.

Wireless Internet #1: Limebear – Guest

Access Code: raspberry27

Wireless Internet #2: Facowie Lodge

Access Code: None

Wireless Internet #3: Netgear58

Access Code: Bluetomato240

Fireplace Functions (the fireplace is shut down from Mid-May through Mid September) – Both units are set up with a functioning fireplace to assist with warming up the Lodge. The fan switch is next to the patio door and should always be left in the "ON" position. There is a turn timer switch that can turn the fireplace for up to 2 hours (please be gentle with the switch and do not force it).

Note: When the fireplace runs, it warms up the living area and causes the thermostat not to kick on the furnace. This causes the bedrooms to get a bit cool.

Summer Time Cooling – The lodge is very well insulated and the basement is typically about 20 degrees cooler. The Lodge stays fairly cool if the windows are left closed. During periods of hot days and if there are cool nights, it is a good idea to open the windows at night and then close them during the day. It may sound a little crazy but it works pretty well!

FaTiki Bar & Campfire Pit – This area is for the guests to share and have a good time. I encourage gathering kindling and abundant firewood surrounding the Lodge in the wood line. You can certainly use the wood in the back of the FaTiki bar but please be semi-courteous of the amount used. There is electric and it can be lit up at night to brighten up the area.

Frying Fish or Deep Frying – Please utilize the electric frying pan that is provided in your lodge out at the Fa-Tiki Bar which is next to the fire pit for any type of grease cooking. There is an electrical box on a pole right next to the bar. We are trying to maintain a fresh smell in our units and that grease smell just lingers when it is done in the Lodges.

BBQ Grill – There is a grill located out under the Fa-Tiki Bar for guest use. The LP should be shut off on it so remember to open it up prior to igniting and shut it off after use. There is a reserve tank and a padlock key in the laundry room in the cabinet under the switches. If the tank happens to run out you can carefully switch them. Please let me know if this happens so I can remember to restock the tank.

Dog Pottie Area – We have a limited amount of grass and it is difficult to keep it looking good. **Loon** - Please utilize the area down below the rock stairs to the lower area parking area for your pet. **Grand** – Please utilize the area out by the telephone pole. Please clean up after your pet by properly removing any feces and it is ok to dispose of it down the hill out in the woods.

Take Some Pictures: FacowieLodge.com is on **facebook** and I am trying to encourage my guests to take some good or crazy pics and get them posted on there. You can also send them to me and I can put an album together of your group.

Gasoline for Snowmobiling & Boating: It is best if you can bring up gas with you to save some \$\$\$. Plan accordingly.... If you're going on the lakes, top off at Crane and usually a rule of thumb is to filler up when you can. There is a lot of area out there!

Garbage – It is always appreciated if you pack your waste out with you and/or burn your paper waste. Otherwise there are waste containers over on the left side of the garage next to the woodshed or inside of it.

Care for the Lodge: Please treat the Lodge with respect and any other guests that may be vacationing there. Please review the information sheet carefully for more information. When your return home let me know how your stay went and there is anything I can do to make your next visit a more enjoyable stay.

The www.FacowieLodge.com website can also provide additional answers to questions that you may have on directions, floor plans, availability, and information on lakes, sporting & other activities, restaurants and stores for supplies.

Supplies: There is a very limited amount of stores with available items once you pass through Virginia and then Orr. Planning ahead is always a good idea!

Once again, thank you for choosing Facowie Lodge and I am confident that you will enjoy the accommodations. If you have any questions or problems while you are up there, feel free to go to the Sportsman and ask to borrow the phone to call me. Feel free to contact me with any further questions that you may have prior to your departure at 320-267-4881.

Hope you enjoy your stay!

"The beauty of nature comes together in Buyck, Minnesota. Facowie Lodge is a tastefully designed, furnished and comfortable rental for the responsible vacationer. It is a premiere cabin rental near Crane Lake."