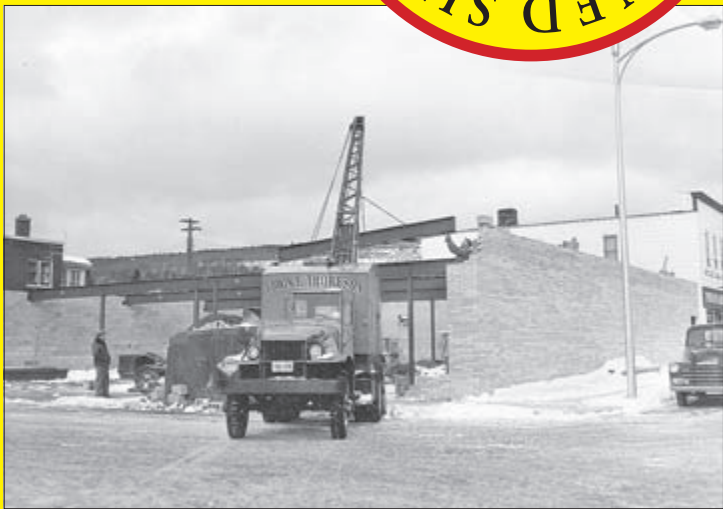


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World of lumberjack sports at Fisherman's

Staff reports

The world of lumberjack sports will again converge on Grand Marais during the Fisherman's Picnic. Join in the fun at the Grand Marais Lions' Lumber Camp presented by Wood-Mizer and Central Boiler. During the four-day event, the lumber camp will have three exhibitions daily. Presentations will include LT40 sawmill demonstrations, a Wildfire Protection System, chopping, cross-cut sawing and stock chain sawing by professional lumberjacks, axe throwing and log rolling by world champion Jenny Atkinson. See the Fisherman's Picnic schedule for exact times.

Saturday will be the big day with the Minnesota State Championships of log rolling and speed birling. Come out and see several professionals and world title holders along with a large group of amateurs starting at 9:00 a.m.

You will see the professional athletes competing for \$2,500 in cash plus Husqvarna chainsaws for the elite mens' and womens' winner. Come see the best of the best in world class competition right downtown Grand Marais at 3 p.m.

Saturday the lumber camp will also host the Grand Marais Lion's Club cross-cut sawing contests sponsored by Hedstrom Lumber Company at 1:00 p.m. on the chopping and sawing stage. These fun contests are open to all spectators. You just might walk away with a great prize! Immediately following the sawing there will be a children and adult axe throwing contest. Come out and watch the exhibitions and win lots of free stuff.



File photo/Jane Howard

The log rolling tournaments last year were fun to watch. Practicing her skills was Claire LaVigne. If you'd like to try logrolling, stop by the Lumber Camp. World Champion logroller Jenny Atkinson would be happy to give a mini lesson and let you take a spin on the cedar!

The lumber camp will also have \$5 all day log rolling passes for anyone who wants to give the spinning cedar a try! Of course you will get a mini lesson from a professional. Watch out, this sport is addicting! Don't forget your camera!!

Sunday morning the Minnesota State Championships will resume with the boom run tournament. This tournament will be held on Clearwater Lake up the Gunflint Trail. See the athletes of ESPN run the most challenging log booms

in the world at the Atkinson Pond. Take the Gunflint Trail 28 miles to county 66 4 miles to Clearwater Lodge. Park on the road near the lodge. It is a 10 minute walk or take the shuttle. Please save parking space for seniors.

The Fisherman's Picnic Lumber Camp and the Minnesota State Championships is proudly presented by Wood-Mizer and Central Boiler, along with Husqvarna, Steve's Sports, and Wildfire Protection Systems.



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To see the latest technology in outdoor furnaces and alternative energy choices, visit the Central Boiler display in downtown Grand Marais during Fisherman's Picnic.

The heat is on.... with Central Boiler

Staff reports

Central Boiler outdoor furnaces have joined the Fisherman's Picnic Lumber Camp this year and things are heating up! Niel Atkinson, coordinator of Lumber Camp activities said, "The world's largest and most successful outdoor boiler company will be on site to help you learn how to heat with renewable resources and save thousands of dollars on your heating bill."

Atkinson invites everyone to come over to the Central Boiler semi truck to enjoy the display while learning about heating with renewable resources. "Central Boiler did not invent fire, but they did learn how to use it better," said Atkinson enthusiastically.

Visitors can find this interactive display located on the west side of Grand Marais.

With all the recent talk about alternative energy, this display provides a great opportunity to learn from the company with 25 years of experience. Central Boiler started with one

homemade boiler. Atkinson said, "Twenty-five years later it has grown into the boiler company known for the best product and warranties on the market and currently leading the industry in emission standards."

Spectators will find the display interesting and informative. If you have ever thought about greater energy independence, this display have the answers you are looking for.

Visitors to the Central Boiler display will receive signed posters and coloring books from log rolling and boom running world champion Jenny Atkinson. There will also be a drawing to win Jenny's 2009 autographed world championship competition jersey.

Central Boiler is a proud sponsor of the Fisherman's Picnic Lumber Camp. Look for the largest display in the parade on Sunday!

For more information on-line, visit www.centralboiler.com.