

WARM LAKE LODGE OPERATORS

1. Wm. (Bill) and Mary Lou (Molly) Kesler established the hotel around 1911. They sold in 1939 to Dr. Leo E. Jewell.
2. Clark and Beulah Cox leased the hotel for three years (1924-1926).
3. Mr. and Mrs. Louis Gannon operated the hotel 1934-1938 and were called owners in a May 28, 1937 *Cascade News* article. It states he purchased the Kesler and Gannon interest at Warm Lake. They may have been contract buyers.
4. Mr. Donald Merritt ran the hotel at the time of a newspaper article in May 1937. He may have been a contract buyer or lessee.
5. Dr. Leo E. Jewell M. D. of Meridian bought the hotel from Kesler's and operated it from 1939-1945. His brother-in-law Leonard W. "Bill" Dodds was manager. Dodds became postmaster at Warm Lake March 15, 1940 (from book *Postmarked Idaho*). They built the first part of the existing lodge and removed the hotel. Several new cabins were built for rent over the years and when they were built old ones were removed.
6. Harold G. "Bert" and Ester Brewster were owners 1945-1947. He became postmaster July 15, 1945. PMI (Book *Postmarked Idaho* about early post offices in Idaho)
7. Pat and Betty J. Clark were owners 1947-1961. Betty became postmaster June 30, 1947 (PMI). Aug. 31, 1953 the post office was discontinued but soon reinstated. Pat Clark died in 1955. Betty married Andrew J. Wolfe in 1958. Mrs. Betty J. Wolfe was postmaster June 1, 1958 and post office was discontinued on April 30, 1960 (PMI).
8. Bob and Ellie Remington were owners 1961-1977 (plaque says 1976).
9. Ron and Pam Harper were owners 1977-1987.
10. Mike and Lauann Rowland were owners April 1987-_____. They were owners on Oct. 4, 1990. They are reported to have the historical letters and papers about the lodge.
11. Lloyd and Linda Glass were owners _____ to May 1995. They now live in Lewiston ID.
12. Russ Cadenhead and June D. Lopez, May 1995 to _____.

This was drafted Oct. 13, 2001 and is a work in progress. This may contain many errors. Any corrections would be appreciated. Additional research will be done. By LeRoy Meyer