One Fine Day Public Vessel Charter

One Fine Day is a fully restored, 28-foot twin engine, semi-enclosed Lyman day cruiser built in 1966. She is NY State-inspected as a public vessel with all updated safety equipment. Since One Fine Day is 10 ½ feet wide, she is very stable and the aft deck is roomy enough for standing, sitting, or lounging. The boat is large, comfortable, and safe, even for children.

One Fine Day is approved by New York State for up to ten passengers plus crew. You and your party are the only passengers on board during your charter.

Under the hardtop there is a dinette with a table, countertop, and refrigerator. There is seating for 4-6, making it a perfect spot to get out of the sun and weather if you'd like. In the cabin, the Captain will be at the helm, and he can regale you with tales of the history of the lake. Below deck, there is a small cabin to change clothes, and for emergencies, a marine head (toilet).

Experience the Lake Your Way

With flexible scheduling and a custom itinerary based on your interests, your Captain will help you plan your dream cruise. Cruise early morning, during the sunny daytime or at sunset. Learn about local history, or enjoy picnicking, underwater exploring with side scan sonar, sunbathing, or just relaxing.

The departure time and length of cruise is subject only to schedule availability and your Captain's discretion of weather and water conditions.

Cruises depart from Long Point State Park Marina, but other locations for pick up and drop off available by special arrangement.

Arrive in Style!

Taxi service to and from Chautauqua Institution and lakefront restaurants is available to meet your scheduling requirements.

Call today to reserve! 716-451-2138

- Your Captain -

Paul Johnson has been boating on Chautauqua Lake all of his life, receiving his first boat at the age of five! Paul has maintained a New York State Joint Pilot and Engineers License (NYS Captains License) since 2008 and was a volunteer captain of the Bemus Point-Stow Ferry for over a decade.

In addition to a general knowledge of Chautauqua Lake and its history, Paul has taught Chautauqua Lake subjects such as its hotels, steamboats, and the Packard Family (of automobile fame) at Chautauqua Institution and at The Lawson Center Boat Museum in Bemus Point.

Captain Paul is available to share his vast knowledge of the Lake, shoreline properties, and the hidden treasures underwater.

- Rates -

As of May 1, 2024, rates are: \$325 for the first two hours and \$100 per hour for each additional hour for up to six passengers. This rate includes boat, captain, and fuel. (A fuel surcharge is possible if fuel costs rise after publication.) For each additional passenger over six, subject to captain's approval, add \$15 per passenger per hour.

- General Information

One Fine Day is docked at the Marina at Long Point State Park where there is a Snack Bar and public restrooms. There is a \$7 per car gate fee to enter the State Park.

Please arrive fifteen minutes before scheduled departure and meet at the picnic tables near the Snack Bar at the Marina.

Passengers are permitted to bring food and drink (including alcoholic beverages) on board, but Captain reserves the right

to prohibit excessive alcohol consumption.

Please contact your Captain at 716-451-2138 with any special requests or questions.

Contact Information

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BOAT CHARTER - Chautauqua Lake



Take a trip back in time on Lake Chautauqua aboard your private antique charter vessel!



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Tour Suggestions



The Packards-More Than the Motorcar

Why are there two Packard mansions on Chautauqua Lake? There is a lot of confusion about this famous family. Captain Paul can answer your questions. He is a member of the Packard Proving Grounds national historic site in Michigan and Historic Preservation Committee. He is considered a national expert on the lives of James Ward and William Doud Packard.



No Particular Place to Go Cruise

We'll head out onto the water and follow your whims. We can motor to any destination you choose or drop anchor and enjoy the scenery and passing boats. We'll make the cruise what you want. It's just great to be out on the water!



The Grand Hotels of Chautauqua Lake

Over 30 resort hotels surrounded Chautauqua Lake in its heyday and we'll see sites for many and the last two that remain. We'll motor along the Bemus Bay shoreline to the golden Lenhart Hotel in Bemus Point. See the famous Bemus-Stow Ferry, operating since 1811. Then we'll cruise past Long Point, and up to Chautauqua Institution with its historic Clock Tower. From the water we'll view the majestic Atheneum Hotel proudly overlooking the bay. Along the way, Captain Paul will share the history of the hotels that remain as well as fascinating stories of the ones that have been lost to history.



Chautauqua Lake Steamboats

Chautauqua Lake from 1827 to 1975 was home to over 40 different steamboats. The steamboats were a major source of transportation to all points on the lake and were the only public transportation to Chautauqua Institution until 1904. We'll see where they docked at Long Point and hear about the worst steamboat disaster in lake history.



Sunset Pruises

What could be more romantic than watching the sun set over the water in the northern basin with the waves gently lapping against the wooden hull of the antique One Fine Day? Sunsets over Chautauqua Lake are magical with amazing colors rarely seen elsewhere.



Sunken Treasures of Chautauqua Lake

One Fine Day is equipped with the latest Garmin GPS technology with side scan sonar. Side scan sonar is the best way to explore what lies on the bottom of Chautauqua Lake. Sunken steamboat remains, of which there are several, make for interesting underwater exploration. Who knows what we'll "see"!