## LAKE ERIE TRIP PLANNING INFORMATION

Use this guide for the following:

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## **Lodging**

Reel Thrill Fishing Charters & the Central Basin Charter Boat Association work with the following hotels for the 2011 season. Please see rules that apply for special rates.

1. Inn of Elyria (formerly the Holiday Inn) 1825 Lorain Blvd. Elyria, OH

Phone: 440-324-5411 440-324-5411

The customer *must* tell the motel clerk the name of the charter they are with in order to receive the lower rate

- Room rates will be based on a 4 man room.
- Rates are \$75.00.00 + Tax, a night.
- They will shuttle our fishing party to the boat, Vermilion also.
- The hotel requests advance notification to perform this service.
- They will prepare a boat lunch for a slight fee.
- 2. Motel 6: 704 N Leavitt Rd., Amherst, Oh, 44001

Phone: 440-988-3266 440-988-3266

The customer **must** tell the motel clerk the name of the charter they are with in order to receive the lower rate.

The room rates will be based on their current rate, and the customer will be given a 4 man room

Weekdays rates: \$35.99 + TaxWeekends rates: \$44.99 + Tax

• The days of June 22 – 23, 29-30 are booked

3. Holiday Inn Express: 2417 State Rt. 60 N (off I 90) Vermilion, OH

Phone: 440-967-8770 440-967-8770

The customer **must** tell the motel clerk the name of the charter they are with in order to receive the lower rate.

The room rates will be based on their current rack rate, normally \$81.99 for two Queen Beds.

- There may be a possible 10% Discount.
- Continental breakfast and indoor pool.

4. **Walk in the Water Cottages:** 11917 W. Lake Rd. Vermilion, OH Check on rates at <a href="www.walkinthewater.com">www.walkinthewater.com</a>. Or <a href="Phone: 440 963-0020">Phone: 440 963-0020</a>
The customer <a href="mailto:must">must</a> tell the motel clerk name of the charter they are with in order to receive the lower rate. Charter rates will be a 25% Discount.

- Cabins 8, 6, 4 and 2 man.
- Pool, Beach, Kitchenette, Bath, Cable TV, The cabins are fully equipped.

5. **Days Inn**, 934 Leavitt Rd., Amherst, OH Phone: 440-985-1428 440-985-1428

The customer *must* tell the motel clerk the name of the charter they are with in order to receive the lower rate.

The room rates will be based on their current rate, with a 20% discount.

- Current prices are \$55.00 for a double bed + Tax
- And \$50.00 for a single bed+ Tax
- Continental breakfast and pool.

### **Directions to Marina:**

The address to Spitzer lakeside Marina is:

301 Lakeside Avenue, Lorain, Ohio, 44052

From the East: Take I-90 to Route 611-Exit151 (Colorado Ave.) North (turn right). Continue on Route 611for 6.4 miles. At this point R-611 and Colorado Avenue will split at this intersection. Continue forward staying on Colorado Ave. Continue for ½ mile passing thru Route 6 (Lake Rd.). Colorado becomes Lakeside Ave, at T(at the lake) turn left and then a quick left again into the marina. Located on D-Dock #1.

**From the West:** Take Route 2 via I-90/Turnpike to the Baumhart Rd. exit. Turn left (north) on Baumhart Rd. Proceed for 1.8 miles and turn left (east) on to West Erie Ave. Continue on West Erie Ave for 6.4 miles crossing over the drawbridge at the Black River. Just over the river Arizona Ave. will be to your left. Turn left (north) here. Arizona Ave. will T into Lakeside Avenue. Turn right (east). Take a quick left down into the marina parking lot and park as north as possible. Located on D-Dock #1

# **Local Attractions:**

Cedar Point Amusement Park is located in Sandusky, OH (35 minutes to west) Rock & Roll Hall of Fame, Jacob's Field in Cleveland, OH (30 minutes to east)

There is much to do in Lorain County! Too much info to list, see below for more: For local restaurants and attractions visit the Lorain County Visitor's Bureau 

www.visitloraincounty.com (440) 984-5282

### **Fishing Licenses:**

Are required for those who are 16 years of age or older.

- Resident Fishing License for those 16 to 65 and residing in OH. for past 6 months - \$19.00
- Senior Resident Fishing License for those 66 and older born after Jan. 1, 1938 and residing in OH for last 6 months \$10.00
- Non Resident Fishing License \$40.00
- 3 Day Tourist Fishing License \$19.00
- One Day Fishing License good for resident and non residents \$11.00 (recommended for those who fish from out of sate for one day or residents of Ohio who will be only fishing with us and do not plan to fish the rest of the year)

Fishing licenses can be purchased from our website link to the Ohio Division of Wildlife You can choose to purchase your license from your local sporting goods store or at bait and tackle stores in the Lorain area: Erie Outfitters, Lakeside Bait and Tackle or George's Bait and Tackle. If weather is a concern it is advisable to wait till the evening of or morning of your scheduled trip if you plan to purchase a one-day license.

#### Weather:

Weather plays a big factor in fishing on Lake Erie. Safety is our main concern. We stay updated on current weather forecasts and communicate these reports to our charters. Sometimes these reports are not accurate so trips may be "game time" at the dock decisions. We will not fish in threatening weather which includes: thunderstorms, torrential rains, water spouts or rough seas. The captains decision is final. Stay linked to current marine forecasts by visiting the National Weather Service/ Open Lake Erie Forecast @ <a href="http://weather.noaa.gov/pub/data/raw/fz/fzus61.kcle.glf.le.txt">http://weather.noaa.gov/pub/data/raw/fz/fzus61.kcle.glf.le.txt</a> If weather forces us to cancel a charter, we will work with the crew for a replacement date that fits all schedules. If a date can not be re-scheduled a full refund will be returned.

# **Special Considerations:**

Feel free to ask any questions when prepping for your trip. Delayed starting times, Handicapped Anglers, Birthday or Gift Certificates, Multi-Boat Trips, Executive Trips, Catered Lunch Menu's, Iron Man Challenge, Bachelor/Bachelorette Parties or other customized trip considerations can be addressed.

Just call Capt. Tony @ (216) 570-3169