



Hernando County Fishing Club

Fish the Atlantic Ocean

For you who would like to try your luck on the East Coast we have arranged an opportunity for you to do so.

We have negotiated a discount for at least ten members of our Club to join Capt. Dave Knight aboard the Fort Pierce Lady (formally the Lady Stuart II) for a seven hour fishing trip.

The date is set for February 16th (a Thursday). It will depart at approximately 9 am and arrive back at 4 pm.

It takes approximately an hour and a half to get out to the fishing grounds, and an hour and a half to get back. This means that you can expect to be fishing for approximately four hours.

You will be fishing in seventy-five to eighty five feet of water. You may expect to catch Snapper, Triggerfish, Porgy, Sea Bass, Mahi Mahi, Grouper, and whatever else the Atlantic Ocean has to offer.

Price for HCFC Club Member (Senior – Over Sixty) - \$40.00 plus 20% tip for mates = **\$48.00.**

Price for HCFC Club Member (Adult – Under Sixty) - \$45.00 plus 20% tip for mates = **\$54.00.**

Important -You must show your HCFC Membership Card to be considered eligible for this discount and to bring our number up to ten. You will pay the boat directly upon boarding.

The tip is normally given to the mate who is filleting your fish at the end of the trip. It is rather informal, but you are expected to only pay one tip to one mate. You are not expected to tip every mate on the boat. If you chose to not have your fish filleted, pick a helpful mate, and give him your tip. The tip is the mate's paycheck for all of his hard work making your trip enjoyable and productive.

This represents a ten percent discount over normal rates, leaving a correspondingly lower tip for mates. **We must send him at least ten people to get this rate.** If less than ten of you wish to go, you still may, but you will not get the discounted rate. If over ten of you wish to go, the discounted rate will continue to apply to any HCFC member who shows up for this trip and presents his membership card.

HCFC Club members should be aware, we are not doing a private charter on this trip. It will be open to other members of the public as well. Capt. Dave advises that he is licensed to hold ninety per trip, but will not book more than forty, and rarely goes that high. He guesses that the number of total fishermen/fisherwomen on the boat will be somewhere between twenty and thirty-five, which he assures me will mean comfortable fishing space for everyone.

If you do not wish to do it all in one day and wish to rent a room in the area before returning, Capt. Dave advises that you should mention this to him. He has a standing arrangement with a number of hotels and motels on both the high and low end in the area. He will assist you in getting a reduced (corporate) rate.

He strongly advises you to visit the company's web site:

https://ladystuart.com/Fort_Pierce_Fishing.html for information concerning the boat, directions to get there, and to answer any other questions that you might have.

He also strongly advises that you visit the boat's facebook page:

<http://www.facebook.com/pages/Fort-Pierce-Lady-Deep-Sea-Fishing/116385261778474> which he updates daily and you can see the boat's catches as recently as the last trip.

If you wish to take advantage of this trip, please advise Jim Husband, Activity Director HCFC, telephone number 727-379-3628, or email jhusband1@tampabay.rr.com To protect your privacy he will add your name and contact information to the "Activity Director's Notes" section in the "Members Only" area of our web site. From this you may arrange car pools among yourselves, get an idea of how many are going to qualify for the discount rate, and give the Activities Director a list of who to contact should the trip get cancelled due to weather. He will be in touch with the Capt. the night before sailing.

Mapquest gives the length of travel time from here to there as approximately three hours and forty minutes.

If you have any questions or comments, please contact Activities Director Jim Husband, 727-379-3628 or jhusband1@tampabay.rr.com