

BATTLE OF LAKE ERIE BICENTENNIAL FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

- **Where can I go to get a list of events about the Battle of Lake Erie Bicentennial?**
www.shoresandislands.com/2013
- **I'd like to volunteer, what can I do?**
We are looking for volunteers on land to assist with the event coordination. There are no volunteer positions on the ships for the reenactment. For a volunteer application visit www.LakeErieBattle.com.
- **Where can I find information about the Port Clinton Tall Ships events?**
www.shoresandislands.com/2013 800.441.1271
- **Where can I find information about the Kelleys Island Tall Ships events?**
www.ticketfly.com/event/267895
- **Where can I find information about the Middle Bass Island Tall Ships events?**
Tall Ship Madeline will be available for dockside tours on August 30th and August 31st. Call Middle Bass Island Yacht Club for tour times and other details: 419.341.1576.
- **Where can I find information about the Put-in-Bay Tall Ships events?**
www.LakeErieBattle.com / www.visitputinbay.com
- **Where can I find information about the Catawba Island Tall Ships events?**
The events at Catawba Island Club are for members only. Information is available by calling 419.797.4424
- **Where will the Tall Ships be docked and their names?**
Catawba Island Club: *Schooner Hindu*
Kelleys Island: *Appledore IV*
Middle Bass Island: *Madeline*
Port Clinton: *Pathfinder, Playfair*
Put-in-Bay: *US Brig Niagara, Windy, Halie & Matthew*
Amherstburg, ON: *Friends Good Will, Privateer Lynx*
Kingsville, ON: *Fair Jeanne, Peacemaker, Unicorn*
Pelee Island, ON: *Liana's Ransom*
Windsor, ON: *Denis Sullivan, Pride of Baltimore II, Sorlandet*
- **Which Tall Ships will be available for dockside tours?**
Pathfinder and Playfair in Port Clinton, US Brig Niagara at Put-in-Bay, Appledore IV at Kelleys Island, Madeline at Middle Bass Island, and Liana's Ransom at Pelee's Island.

- **How long do dockside tours last and what is the cost?**
The tour prices vary from \$5-\$10 and the tours last as long as a person wishes to stay on the boat. The tours are for the most part self-guided although ship's crew is on hand to answer questions.
- **Which Tall Ships will be available for sailing tours?**
Appledore IV at Kelleys Island, Windy, Halie & Matthew at Put-in-Bay.
- **How long are sailing tours and what is the cost?**
They range from \$45-\$60 and last about 90 minutes.
- **Where can I get tickets for the dockside and sailing tours?**
www.LakeErieBattle.com
- **Do I need prior sailing experience to be part of the battle re-creation?**
No, sailing and boating experience is not necessary. As part of the re-creation you'll learn about sailing a Tall Ship and what life is like as crew aboard a Tall Ship.
- **Do I have to wear a uniform or costume from that era?**
No, but you are welcome to if you have one available.
- **I want to register my boat to be part of the fleet; do I have to pay the fee for everyone on my boat?**
No, the fee is per boat and you can bring along the number of guests your boat can safely hold.
- **I am interested in being a reenactor. Who do I contact?**
Contact Craig Samborski at craig@drawevents.com
- **Where can I find lodging information?**
www.ShoresandIslands.com
- **Where can I dock my boat for weekend or during the event?**
The Lake Erie Heritage Foundation has not made any dock or marina reservations. Information on docking and marinas is available here: www.visitputinbay.com/pib/getting-here/boating-dockage
- **How do I get to Put-in-Bay?**
Miller Ferry from Catawba for passengers and vehicles or Jet Express from Port Clinton or Sandusky for passengers only.
- **If a friend or family member signed up for the reenactment previously, can I get on the same ship as them?**
No, this is a first come, first served event and there are no exchanges or refunds.
- **How can I find out when additional reenactment tickets become available?**
Please check www.LakeErieBattle.com frequently for information on tickets.

- **Can I track the progress of the Tall Ships locations online?**

As the Tall Ships season begins, Tall Ships America will provide tracking via their website: www.sailtraining.org.

- **What will happen while I am sailing for the reenactment?**

The ship crew and captain will provide historical details about the original battle. You will also learn what it takes to sail a Tall Ship and what life is like aboard the ship for the permanent crew. You do not need to wear a uniform and no prior sail training experience is necessary.

- **I purchased a ticket to be a crew member for the Battle of Lake Erie Reenactment. When will I expect to receive instructions for this event?**

45 days prior to the event. The September 2nd schedule is already on the website www.LakeErieBattle.com

- **What is the schedule for the day of the Battle reenactment?**

All passengers need to be at Put-in-Bay, at Perry's International Victory and Peace Memorial by 8am on September 2nd.

8am – Swearing-in Ceremony

8:45-9:45am – Board Tall Ships for Battle

10am – Tall Ships sail to Battle site

12pm – Battle reenactment commences at site of the original battle

2pm – Battle concludes

4pm – Ships dock at Put-in-Bay

- **Where exactly will the battle reenactment take place?**

At the site of the original battle, approximately 16 miles northwest of Put-in-Bay harbor at coordinates 41-44-50.00 N, 083-02-00.00 W

- **Can the battle reenactment be viewed from land?**

No. There is however a possibility that a live video stream of the reenactment will be made available on select websites. Information on this will be posted at www.LakeErieBattle.com

- **We have a boat. Can we just go out and watch the battle reenactment? What is the best place to go to watch the battle?**

Most people are registering their boats and will receive preferred anchorage for the event along with a commemorative burgee and boat decal. Without doing so there is no guarantee you will be able to see the battle from your boat. Register your boat at www.LakeErieBattle.com

- **We have a boat. How do we sign up to be a part of the fleet?**

Register your boat at www.LakeErieBattle.com

- **We want to experience the whole Battle of Lake Erie Bicentennial. Where is the best place to be to see all of the action?**

The largest concentration of Tall Ships will be at Put-in-Bay the morning of September 2nd. There will be many other bicentennial related activities at Put-in-Bay as well.

- When/Where will the parade of boats take place? Where can we watch this?**
 It will depart Put-in-Bay Harbor at 11 AM on Sept. 1st. On land along the Put-in-Bay docks is the best place to watch.
- Will any of the Ferry Services be taking people out to watch the Battle reenactment?**
 There are currently no plans for this.
- Are the mooring buoys being removed from Put-in-Bay harbor on Labor Day Weekend?**
 No
- Will there be any shuttles to and from the different events? Where/Cost?**
 There may be shuttle service in downtown Port Clinton to transport people from parking areas to the waterfront however there will be no shuttle service in any other event location.
- Where/when will the OSU band be playing? Cost?**
 The Ohio State Marching Band will perform a 30 minute concert in downtown Port Clinton on September 1st at approximately 12:30 PM. Location – Waterworks Park, Jefferson and Perry Sts. The band then will depart for Put-in-Bay where they will march through the village square at approximately 3:15 PM. They will perform a 60 minute concert on the Perry’s Monument grounds at approximately 8:30 PM. All events are Free.
- Will there be merchandise for purchase? Where and what...hats, shirts, etc?**
 Yes, a variety of items will be available at the docks at Put-in-Bay and Port Clinton.
- Where can I get a Perry Quarter?**
 Quarters are available at all branches of First National Bank of Bellevue. Supplies are limited so it is best to call ahead to see if there are quarters remaining: 800.860.7340.
- Are any hotels offering discounts?**
 It is unlikely that hotels will offer discounts during this busy time. If there are any available they will be posted on the “Shore Savings Card” page or the “Lodging Packages” page of www.shoresandislands.com
- What if a question is not on this sheet?**
 Call the Lake Erie Shores & Islands Welcome Center at 800.441.1271 and the Welcome Center Staff will find the answer.