

Hello Everyone,

I am proud to bring you another exciting fishing trip. This time we are going out on the open ocean for a $\frac{3}{4}$ day adventure. Here are the details below. A very special person, Phil Friedman, helped me to get this charter for the discounted price we got. So check out his website at PForadio.com.

Date- Sunday March 6th 7am to 4pm. Arrive by 6:15 am. This trip coincides with the opening of rock fishing season.

Location- Open Ocean, fishing deep for rockfish. The boat leaves from Long Beach Marina Sportfishing, 180 N Marina Dr, Long Beach, CA 90803. <http://www.pierpoint.net/longbeachmarina.htm>



The Boat- The Enterprise is a large fishing vessel that holds up to 80 people. A very stable and safe platform that has a couple bathrooms, an inside galley, full cooking capabilities with cook, a couple of

deck hand to help out, and plenty of space to fish. The rear of the boat has a bait tank for live bait capabilities.

Food- The boat has a galley that makes breakfast burritos and sandwiches, burgers, burritos, has drinks and candy all for a nominal price. We got a great price for the charter so please try to purchase from the boat, the crew and boat make money off the food, the cook and deckhands are not volunteers, this is their jobs so respect them so. You can also bring your own food or drinks in your bag or soft-sided cooler. The boat does not allow large plastic coolers.

Fishing- We will target rockfish, an easy species to catch, and great tasting. Bait will be provided, rental tackle will be available for a low cost. A strong rod and bait casting reel or spinning reel with 15- 30 pound test. We use torpedo sinkers from 4 to 8 ounces depending on current. Single hooks size 2 to 2/0 work well. Lures, if you like are large heavy shiny jigs, 4- 8 ounces, and rock fishing feathers. All adults 16 and over, fishing or not, will require a valid California fishing license, either a day pass \$15, or an annual pass (Jan- Dec 2016) \$45. Licenses are available at local tackle stores, my favorite is Chark Bait (Heil/ Bolsa Chica), if you are buying a day license just tell them it's for March 6th. It is good to have a pair of pliers and rag with you. The boat departs the dock then travels for about an hour to the fishing grounds, we fish, maybe move around throughout the day, then a couple hour boat ride home while the fish are cleaned or filleted. You can have your fish cleaned or filleted for about a buck a fish, or take them home and do that yourself for free. Bring a cooler in your car for the fish to go home and make sure to ice them right away.

Clothing- Warm layers, the forecast near the trip day will help determine that. I bring a sweatshirt, pants, baseball cap, sunglasses, sunscreen, and boat shoes you don't mind getting wet.

Seasick- Dramamine is my favorite, I take it every time I go out, and usually one pill the night before and one in the morning. Use what works for you. Do not eat a greasy or sugary meal for breakfast because that always gets people sick. As nice and warm as the galley is, you will get sick by sitting inside, I don't know why, but it happens. Electronics, ipads, phones, and books also can make you sick, I think it is staring at the screen or down at your hands that does it. It's better to be outside, stare at the horizon, breath fresh air.

Arrival- Try to arrive and be in line no later than 6:15 am. It takes a while to get out of the car, grab your gear and kids, so anticipate that. Go ahead and park, then bring your gear and kids to the railing alongside the water. I will get attendance and check your license, and you will have a chance to walk to the tackle store onsite to get any last minute items. We will board around 6:45am. We will leave at 7 am. Do not be late, we will leave without you, we will leave without you, sorry but the high cost of these trips and limited fishing time, it's not fair to make others wait.

Payment- The cost is \$50 a person, kids and adults, limited to 60 people, first come first serve, that works out to about 30 kids, 30 adults, so this will fill up fast, I am inviting our Pack 227, Troop 227, and kids from my fishing club, Harbour Rod and Reel Club, because Tom Scully wants this trip filled, no matter what. Please bring me payment at the January Pack Meeting, mail to me at 4702 Rhapsody Drive Huntington Beach, CA 92649, or call me at 831-331-5614 to arrange pickup. First come first serve, you can let me know that you want to attend, but if someone else pays first, it is theirs.

I hope this to be an annual thing for our pack over the next few years, I know the kids love fishing, and from my experiences, fishing with friends is always the best. This is not only fishing mind you, its trip on the ocean, to see dolphins, birds, sea lions, whales, and have fun.

Thanks,

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