

Hello Beach Bums!

Sign-ups for seats on our next trip to Clearwater, Florida are now open. We have scheduled a special trip to view the sunset over the Gulf Coast! Join us to enjoy the beach, grab dinner at a local restaurant, view the sunset over the Gulf Coast. Make your checks payable to: Northern Beach Bums Club (NBBC) AND MAIL TO THE TRIP LEADER NOTED BELOW. Must be received by August 15th.

NBBC club information, forms, and policies can be found at our web site:

<https://northernbeachbums.org/>

When you fill out your registration form, and want to be matched on a bus with others, please only place the names others in the required section if:

A) You know they are coming

B) They list your name on their form. Please help us out not searching for “ghosts”.

Upcoming Schedule:

1. September 5th, NBBC Quarterly Meeting/Social at 6:00pm Savannah Center. Entertainment from Vocalist/Comedian Meg Coutinho. One women show. “Songs and Smiles”
2. September 20th, Clearwater Florida. Beach & Sunset Trip
3. October - Upham Beach Paradise Grille, St. Pete Beach, FL
4. NOV-DEC - TBD
5. December 5th - End of Year Party – “Sand Between My Mistletoes” - 5:30pm Savannah Center - Vocalist Da J. “Lady in Black” and friends. Catering from Gio Deli = Chicken Marsala, Baked Zita, Meatballs & more! Cost will be Partially subsidized by NBBC

TRIP INFORMATION:

Clearwater Beach, FL

Trip leaders: Cathy & Bob Snyder, Kathy Eastman

When: September 20th, 2023

Where: Clearwater Beach, FL, Pier 60

Bus boarding: 12:00 pm at Lowe’s Parking Lot. Hwy 441, behind the Cracker Barrel Restaurant

Arrival: Approximately 2:20pm

Re-board Bus: 7:30pm arrive home approximately 9:45pm (Sunset at 7:25pm)

Price: \$25 per person (includes bus transportation and driver gratuity)

All NBBC trips are Non-refundable (including if trip is postponed due to weather).

Masks are optional. No vaccination required but is highly recommended. Water, coffee, soda, (with a lid) and snacks are permitted on the bus. No ice cream or popcorn is permitted.

Payment and Trip Registration form must be received by August 15th. Please make checks payable to Northern Beach Bums Club (NBBC). Mail with a trip Registration Form.

<https://northernbeachbums.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/01/2023TripRegistration.pdf>

Mail to:

Cathy Snyder

1007 Vermont Ave

Lady Lake, FL 32159

If needed, seats will be distributed by lottery. Notice of bus assignments will be provided by September 1st. If you are not chosen, we will contact you to see if you wish to be put on the wait list. If you want to ride with a spouse or a bus partner, please sign up together with one check. This way you will be assigned together. Only 2 seats can sign up (enter lottery) together. All NBBC trips are Non-refundable, participate at your own risk. If you want to request seats with other members please read the trip registrations form.

Trip Description: Spread along a narrow, 3-mile stretch of the Pinellas Peninsula on the Gulf Coast, Clearwater Beach straddles the blue waters of the Gulf of Mexico to the west, and tranquil Tampa Bay to the east. Restrooms and restaurants are available.

For the afternoon, you will be on your own; there's a lot to see and do. If you're feeling adventuresome, jump aboard the hop-on-and-off Jolly Trolley to ride throughout Clearwater Beach and surrounding coastal towns. A Day pass includes transfers to Suncoast Trolley to expand your exploration. Exact change is required for the trolley. You can purchase a senior pass for all day use of Trolley at the visitor centers at entrance to pier 60. <https://www.clearwaterjollytrolley.com/>

The beach amenities include cabanas and chairs for rent on the beach. You can rent 2 chairs and an umbrella = \$35 (subject to change). They do not rent individual umbrellas or chairs but you can add a chair for \$10 (subject to change). No advance reservations. First come first serve but they have plenty. Simply occupy a seat not in use and someone representing the rental service will stop by to collect the fee. Bathrooms and outdoor showers are located near entry to pier 60 near the convenience store. There is an ice cream bar as well. This is a public beach. No alcohol is allowed. There are many restaurants in walking distance along with shops to enjoy.

Pier 60 is a full-feature fishing pier with rental rods, permits, bait, etc available. There is \$1 fee to walk to the end of pier if you are want to take a stroll to enjoy the view. At the end of the pier they will collect the \$1 fee in the shop where they also rent fishing poles, sell bait and issue fishing permits and are run by the City of Clearwater. Daily fishing fees for Seniors is \$8; rod rental is \$10, but you can bring your own as well.

If you don't feel like resting on the beach some of the local attractions include taking a ride on the Jolly Trolley to the aquarium or the Suncoast Trolley south to Johns Pass Village, or simply walk across the street from the beach to the marina where you can take a boat ride to search for dolphins or catch a fishing charter. The day is yours to enjoy. Just be back in time to watch the sunset and jump on the bus to head home.

The buses will drop us off at the south end of the pier 60 parking lot. They then must depart and will return at 7:30pm to pick us up, they can not park at the beach. Sunset is at 7:25pm so please be back in time to catch watch the last moments and board the bus directly.

Clearwater info:

<https://www.clearwaterjollytrolley.com/>

<https://www.cmaquarium.org/>

<https://www.visitflorida.com/places-to-go/central-west/clearwater-beach/>

https://www.tripadvisor.com/Restaurants-g34141-Clearwater_Florida.html

Restaurant Links:

Salt Cracker Fish Camp; 25 Causeway Blvd. <https://saltcrackerfishcamp.com/menus/>

Marina Cantina (above Salt Cracker) 25 Causeway Blvd. <https://marinacantina.com>

Crabby's Dockside; 37 Causeway Blvd. <https://crabbysdocksideclearwater.com>

Jimmy Crow's Nest (10th floor of the Pier House 60 Hotel) 101 Coronado Drive.

<https://www.jimmyscrowstest.com/menu.html>

We, the Pizza; 301 S. Gulfview Blvd. <https://wethepizza.com/locations/clearwater-fl>

Badfins; 215 S Gulfview Blvd. <https://badfins.com>

Salty Island Bar (located in the Pelican Pointe Hotel) 437 S. Gulfview Blvd. <https://saltyisland.com>