



RIVER DAY SCHEDULE UPDATE 5/8/09

JUNE 5 (Friday) - evening "launch" celebration in New York Harbor.

"Harbor Night" with the Blessing of the Fleet, and festivities at Battery Park.

6pm-Ship assembly in front of Liberty Island and muster for photo op in the harbor against the Manhattan skyline.

6:30pm Blessing of the Fleet and music at Battery Park.

Overnight for seven flagships.

JUNE 6 (Saturday) - early morning with 7:30am pick-up of dignitaries at various overnight docking locations and Circle Line at 42nd Street.

9am start of flotilla at Statue of Liberty joined by some of our River Day sponsors: Circle Line, Water Taxi, Scarano Boat Works, SeaTow, Discover Boating, North Cove Yacht Club, NYS Canal Corporation and Launch Five.

Parade by Harlem, Cloisters, Yonkers, and Hudson River Museum.

Arrival in Tarrytown and Nyack area around 5-6pm for cannon welcome, festivities and fireworks.

Overnight for flagships-Onrust at Nyack Boat Club, all others in vicinity of Tarrytown and Piermont.

JUNE 7 (Sunday) - departure at 8am.

Arrival in Haverstraw, Croton and Ossining by 11am for midday celebration, leaving Haverstraw by 2pm sharp.

Parade by Stony Point, Peekskill, and other communities.

Parade by West Point to 16 cannon salute.

Arrival and cannon welcome in Newburgh/Beacon around 5-6pm.

Newburgh hosting music, Dutch singers and festivities.

Long Dock Beacon-Scenic Hudson hosting Welcome the Fleet Festival with music and cuisine.

Overnight for flagships-Clearwater, Mystic and Woody in Beacon; Half Moon, Onrust, Harvey and Cleveland in Newburgh.

JUNE 8 (Monday) - flagships stay in Beacon/Newburgh for educational programs all day.

Jet fly-overs, West Point Band and other festivities.

JUNE 9 (Tuesday) - flagships stay in Beacon/Newburgh for educational programs all day.

Depart Beacon/Newburgh at 4 pm.

Arrival and cannon welcome (6pm) in Poughkeepsie area for festivities including ribbon cutting, marching bands and cake with 400 candles.

Overnight for flagships-Poughkeepsie, Marist, and boat clubs.

JUNE 10 (Wednesday) - flagships remain in Poughkeepsie all day for educational activities.

Depart Poughkeepsie at 4-5pm.

Parade by Hyde Park State Historic Sites.

Arrival and cannon welcome (6:30pm) in Kingston for celebration at the Hudson River Maritime Museum.

Overnight for ships at the Museum and Rondout Marinas.

JUNE 11 (Thursday) - remain in Kingston for school groups from 8 to 11am.

Parade by Saugerties Light House (around noon) for school groups.

Parade by Clermont State Historic Site.

Arrival and cannon welcome in Catskill/Hudson/Athens by 6pm with ribbon cutting, reception, and festivities.

Overnight for flagships-Half Moon and Cleveland in Catskill, Clearwater and Harvey in Hudson, and Onrust in Athens.

JUNE 12 (Friday) - remain in Catskill/Hudson/Athens area for school groups until noon.

Arrival and cannon welcome in Castleton at 4 pm for special final night dinner and fireworks.

Overnight for flagships-Clearwater and Onrust and Naval Militia at Castleton Boat Club, Half Moon, Cleveland and Harvey at Brick Yard.

JUNE 13 (Saturday) - depart Castleton at 11am.

Parade by Schodack Park and Town of Bethlehem.

Arrival at 12:30 for final cannon welcome and day-long celebrations including Yankee Doodle Band,

Fort Crailo sponsored exhibits and Blessing of the Fleet.

Half Moon in Albany, Clearwater and Onrust in Rensselaer.