

Come on a Chief Commanda Cruise with the UFRCA!

2017 is Canada's 150th birthday and an opportunity to celebrate the history and traditions of this country.

The French River has an important place in both the history of Canada and the histories of many cottage families. We were thinking that a fun way to celebrate would be for Upper French River cottagers to take a river cruise on the Chief Commanda.

To do this, we need to survey people to see how many would be interested in participating, which date would be best for most people, and if you would be willing to pay what we would need to charge to make it viable. If we can get enough people to participate at that price, then we can go ahead.

As you can imagine, chartering the Chief Commanda is not inexpensive. UFCRA has the resources to start the ball rolling with a \$2400 contribution, but the total cost of a cruise is in the range of \$8500. Which means we

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need a mix of attendance numbers and ticket price that generates at least \$5600. And to get those numbers, we're opening up the cruise to non-members (also, it's a great way to meet new people and tell them about how much fun we have in the UFRCA!).

The \$8500 would include cruising from North Bay out to the River, making at least one and maybe two stops (for example: Solid Comfort and Chaudière) to pick people up, cruising around the River for a couple of hours, dropping people off, and then returning to North Bay -

about 7.5 hours in total. Which means that if you wanted to – and for the one ticket price – you could actually board the Chief in North Bay and ride the whole cruise out and back. Or you could just go one way and disembark on the River and head back to your cottage from there.

So, please have a chat with your family and friends and then complete the survey by Sunday January 15. We'll tabulate the results and let you know the outcome. If you have any questions, contact the UFRCA at: canada150@ufrca.com.

For the Survey click here

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