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Commander's Message

P/C Bruce Arey, JN

Our newly-installed Bridge and Executive Committee are excited to move forward on the planning of educational, social, and boating activities for our members and the local boating community.

Due to COVID-19 restrictions, Annapolis Sail & Power Squadron has learned much over the last year under the leadership of P/C Peggy Slattery, S, on how to spread the core beliefs of the United States Power Squadron with the use of virtual meeting apps such as Zoom. I would personally like to thank Peggy for showing us that ASPS can still offer value to the boating community during the

unprecedented times that we have all experienced during the last year.

ASPS has achieved many "firsts" during the last year by using Zoom to replace canceled in-person dinner meetings, classes, social activities, and boating activities. ASPS had its first Zoom Change of Watch last month with outstanding attendance. I would like to thank those responsible for making the COW a successful event. We have also learned how to have monthly Zoom meetings with knowledgeable speakers on a variety of subjects of interest to our membership.

Attendance via Zoom in the many educational courses offered by ASPS has never been better, with over 300 students participating in our virtual classrooms, many from other parts of the country and the world. Thank you to our members who make our educational courses successful.

ASPS also kept our members engaged in social activities such as the virtual game MATEY. Thank you to all who have taken the time to prepare the MATEY games.

Since we are not ready to start in-person activities yet, I will continue virtual activities that were shown to be successful from last year until it is safe to renew in-person activities. I look forward to all the memories we are going to share this year.

Here is a quote from inspirational writer H. Jackson Brown, Jr. that reminds me how ASPS has successfully thrived during the past year and will continue to thrive in the future: "When you can't control the winds, adjust your sails." ■

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Administrative Officer

Lt/C Priscilla Travis

Looking back through the first *Anchor Watch* articles by previous incoming Admin Officers, there's a common theme: if you want to get something done, ask a busy person. Nominating Committee Chair P/C Jeff Short, JN-IN, did just that, and his persuasive skills are excellent. The previous Admin Officers have set a high standard to follow, and I'll try to keep up the tradition, especially as we celebrate our squadron's 80th anniversary. As a newbie to the ASPS, I have a lot to learn, and P/Lt/C Georgiana Maszczenski, S, is a good and patient teacher. Another very busy person, P/C John Wesley Nash, SN-IN, is our Assistant Admin Officer and Webmaster, and we welcome your ideas and help through the year.

You don't have to be a long-time member to volunteer your time, and we offer free on-the-job training. C'mon in, new members. We may be socially distanced for a time, but we still need you to help us adapt to the new virtual community and to organize the in-person events we've planned. Boating activities and other outdoor events are safe and fun. Our first boating event will be a raft-up to watch the Blue Angels practice on the Severn River on 24 May. Save the date, and keep an eye on the Calendar of Activities on the website.

The 01 April member meeting will be virtual again. By now, either you should be pretty good Zoomers, or you may sign in early and practice. This meeting takes us on the Great Loop, "the last great adventure in North America."

Gold Loopers **Foster Schucker and Susan Wilson** will share the experience of the trip that they completed in 2015 aboard their 1993 Bayliner, *Quo Vadimus*.



Whether you are thinking about following some or all the Great Loop or would just like an armchair cruise, Zoom into the April meeting.

This remarkable trip is gaining in popularity each year as hundreds of boats follow all or part of the 6,000-mile continuous waterway route. The Loop includes part of the Atlantic and Gulf Intracoastal Waterways, the Great Lakes, Canadian Heritage Canals, and the inland rivers of America's heartland. Anyone who completes the journey is then named an official "Gold Looper" and will have a good appreciation of North America's watery heritage and history.

Once again, please attend our meetings, take classes, get out on the water if you can, and volunteer. Join the fun! ■





Executive Officer
Lt/C Ralph Leasure, S

As we continue to endure the pandemic, it is easy to feel that we have somehow been shorted, slighted, and maybe even cheated by the many things that we have not been able to do as a result of this virus. It's disheartening not to be able to travel, to get together in groups, to have a normal dinner meeting and, in effect, alter almost every aspect of our lives.

On the other hand, this presents another way to look at a bad situation in a positive light. Let's think about the positive things that we have been able to do as a group, since this all began over a year ago. Thanks to Zoom and some creativity from our members, we have been able to: continue our educational courses, have virtual meetings, keep informed of National and District events, and play "Matey."

I want to express my gratitude for all that the previous Bridge did to help us adjust to the new "normal." I want to thank everyone who gave so freely of their time to insure that we had access to all that has been available to the entire squadron for the whole year. Hopefully, things will begin to return to what we recognize as normal in the near future. I will keep you posted on what may be our first, real outside opportunity in a long time! ■

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Changes to your phone number, address, e-mail?
Please contact P/C Gary Budesheim, SN
at roster@aspsmd.org or (302) 538-5276.



Member Meeting Thursday, 1 April 2021

Please register by Monday, 29 March.

Send an email to admin@aspsmd.org

You will be emailed the login information
for the ZOOM meeting.

6:15 New to Zoom or unsure?
Come early to check your connection.

6:30 Meet and Greet

7:00 Welcome - Cdr Bruce Arey - JN

Speakers for the evening:

Foster Schucker and Susan Wilson.

We are Gold Loopers and AGLCA
Harbor Hosts for the northern
Chesapeake Bay. They completed their
Loop in 2015 aboard their 1993
Bayliner, "Quo Vadimus".

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





Our Speakers for the April Meeting

The Great Loop is a circumnavigation of the eastern U.S., and part of Canada. The route includes the Atlantic Intracoastal Waterway, the New York State Canals, the Canadian Canals, the Great Lakes, the inland rivers, and the Gulf of Mexico. "Loopers" take on this adventure of a lifetime aboard their own boat. The Great Loop is a minimum of 5,250 miles, but depending on which route choices and which side trips you do, it can be extended to include thousands more miles. Most Loopers report their Great Loop trip to be in the 6,000-mile range.

Harbor Hosts are designated members who volunteer their knowledge and assistance to fellow Loopers when they travel to their area. Harbor Hosts go above and beyond to aid Loopers in a variety of ways. AGLCA has an award to officially recognize the outstanding efforts of a host annually.

Meet our ASPS 1 April meeting speakers. The 2018 Harbor Hosts of the Year are **Foster Schucker and Susan Wilson**. Foster & Susan are one of the Harbor Hosts for the Chesapeake Bay region and have been nominated in previous years as well. They were presented with the True North Award at the Spring Rendezvous (May 6-9, 2019) in Norfolk. Check out what other Loopers had to say:



**Foster Schucker and Susan Wilson
2018 AGLCA Harbor Host of the Year
Award Winners**

"Years ago, a new voice appeared on the forum; he sounded interesting, thought I would like to meet him in person one day. We were docked in Killarney and noticed a Canadian Coast Guard cutter sitting at the entrance to the channel, then a Bayliner came in escorted by a large CCC RIB. Foster's anchor had slipped the night before and they went into some rocks at the anchorage. Foster & Susan practice "paying it forward"; last year we gave away 2 Maptech Chart Guides they let us use. And I know there are a couple of large fender balls somewhere on the loop again. Foster meets up with Loopers all around the C & D Canal; last year we saw him in Delaware City; another year he came to Chesapeake City to greet us. They also contribute frequently on the forum."

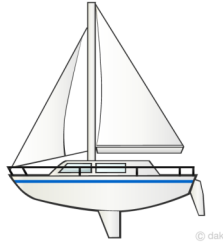
"There are several famous people in this world who go by one name: Madonna, Cher, Prince, etc. In the looping world, we have Foster. He is a Gold Looper planning on going for Platinum, we can overlook he is doing it on his beloved Bayliner; everyone is not perfect. Foster was extremely helpful to me when I was doing the loop. While I never met him personally, he was extremely helpful in offering advice for the Delaware River and the NJ ICW. But Foster went above and beyond for me. I did the loop in a small 20ft center console. When doing the Great Lakes, he was my go to guy for weather help. I know that we had a fellow solo looper who passed thru his area who needed special help both emotionally and financially and Foster was there for him."

"Have worked with Foster repeatedly going north and south. He always has time to fill me in on local conditions and weather. Even tracked me down the Jersey Coast and told me what was ahead. Meets the Loopers coming through when they stop at nearby sites - and not necessarily his home marina. He consistently provides useful additions to forum discussions and has a good sense of humor about it. Great host!"

For more information: <https://www.greatloop.org/> ■



Boating Links to Browse



◆ Getting your boat ready for the season? Thinking about documenting it? Here is a link to the United States Coast Guard National Documentation Center:

<https://www.dco.uscg.mil/Our-Organization/Deputy-for-Operations-Policy-and-Capabilities-DCO-D/National-Vessel-Documentation-Center/>

◆ A wind powered RoRo car carrier with funny looking "sails" is on the designing board with a projected completion by 2025. Now THAT will be an interesting sight to see while boating on the Chesapeake:

<https://chesapeakebaymagazine.com/shipping-carrier-serving-port-of-baltimore-announces-wind-powered-car-carrier-ship/>



◆ Lots of new boat sales this past year. Many of these folks are first time boaters. *A Beginner's Guide on How to Drive a Boat* might be helpful. Share this link with anyone you know who is new to boating:

<https://shipfever.com/how-to-drive-a-boat/>

Another site for newbies to boating:

<https://www.takemefishing.org/boating/how-to-boat/>

◆ Part of your Spring commissioning ritual - Check the bilge pump. *Practical Sailor* has a great article on the care and installation of [bilge pumps](#).



◆ Boating Basics - things that we all should remember when we leave the dock. "Boating is a skill, so work to improve it."

<https://www.onthewater.com/how-to-become-a-better-boater>

◆ The Coast Guard will implement the new Kill Switch law passed by Congress. It applies to operators of recreational vessels less than 26 feet, with an engine capable of 115 lbs. of static thrust, at 3hp or more.

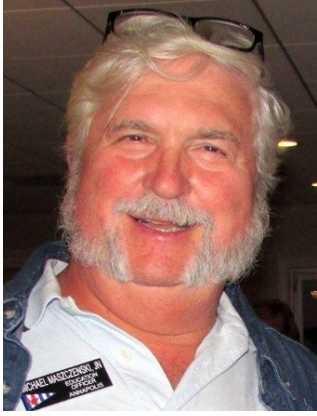
<https://chesapeakebaymagazine.com/uscg-to-enforce-new-boating-cutoff-switch-law/>



◆ For more useful and interesting nautical-related links, see the "Links Page" on the ASPS website:

<https://www.aspsmd.org/links.htm>





Educational Officer

Lt/C Michael Maszczenski, Jr., N

Virtual meetings have expanded our ability to provide information to members who need it. This year we had 6 courses, 9 seminars, a district and national conference that any of us could attend from anywhere, with a phone or computer. We have had students attend from Afghanistan and across the country. Any event can be opened up virtually regardless of where it is.

This month there are events that you should consider attending. Annapolis Sail and Power Squadron is offering the Apps for Boaters seminar and the America's Boating Course. We received a grant for the books so we can offer the ABC course at \$10.00 each. Tell everyone you know about our courses and seminars.

D/Lt/C Joe Gibson, AP, from ABC-MidAtlantic (D/5) is offering a guided tour of their website. Discover how to use it for your squadron needs. It will be held on 8 April at 4:00 PM to 5:30 PM. The Free Conference Call session ID is: **joe715**.

This year's ABC-MidAtlantic spring conference, 5 to 9 April 2021 will be virtual. Descriptions of the sessions will come out soon. Watch <https://abc-midatlantic.org/> for coming info.

Apps for Boaters Seminar

Date: Wednesday, 21 April 2021

Time: 7:00 - 9:00 PM

Where: ZOOM

Instructor: Stf/C Michael Maszczenski, N

Sponsors: ASPS

Cost: Free

FREE



The smart phone is truly a multipurpose tool. There are many ways to use it to enhance boating. Explore some of the many apps designed to aid the boater, which have been written for Android phones and tablets, and Apple iPhones and iPads.

America's Boating Course - ABC 3

Time/Date: Tuesdays - Starting 27 April 2021 to 25 May 2021 - 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM

Instructor: 1st/Lt Patrick McGeehan, P and Stf/C Michael Maszczenski, N

Location: Zoom

Fee: \$35.00 for both members and non-members

Everyone born after July 1972 needs the Boating Safety Course card to legally operate a recreation vessel in Maryland waters. Great family course!

The basic boating knowledge topics include:

- **Introduction to Boating:** types of boats - power, sail, outboards, paddle boats, and houseboats. Also: different uses of boats, various power boating engines, jet drives, and family boating basics.
- **Boating Law:** boat registration, boating regulation, hull identification number, required boat safety equipment, operating safely and reporting accident, protecting the marine environment, Federal boat law, state boating law, personal watercraft requirements.



- **Boat Safety Equipment:** personal flotation devices ("life jackets"), fire extinguishers, sound-producing devices, visual-distress signals, dock lines and rope, first aid kit, anchors and anchor lines, and other boating safety equipment.
- **Safe Boating:** bow riding, alcohol and drug abuse, entering, loading, and trimming a boat, fueling, portable and permanent tanks, steering with a tiller and a wheel, docking, undocking and mooring, knots, filing a float plan, checking equipment, fuel, weather and tides, using charts, choosing and using an anchor, safe PWC handling, and general water safety.
- **Navigation:** the U.S. Aids to Navigation system - types of buoys and beacons, navigation rules (sometimes referred to as right-of-way rules), avoiding collisions, sound signals, PWC "tunnel vision."
- **Boating Problems:** hypothermia, boating accidents and rescues, man overboard recovery, capsizing, running aground, river hazards, strainers, emergency radio calls, engine problems, equipment failures, carbon monoxide (CO), other boating and PWC problems.
- **Trailing, Storing and Protecting Your Boat:** types of trailers, trailer brakes, lights, hitch, tires, and bearings, loading, balancing, and towing (and backing) a trailer, boat launching and retrieving, boat storage and theft protection, launching, retrieving and storing a PWC.
- **Hunting and Fishing, Water Skiing and River Boating:** carrying hunting gear and weapons in a boat, fishing from a boat, water skiing safety guidelines and hand signals, water skiing with a PWC, navigating rivers, and other boating tips.

After passing the test with an 80% or higher grade, the student receives the card verifying that he/she passed the course and can legally operate a recreational vessel in Maryland.

GPS Seminar

Date: Wednesday, 19 May 2021

Time: 7:00 - 9:00 PM

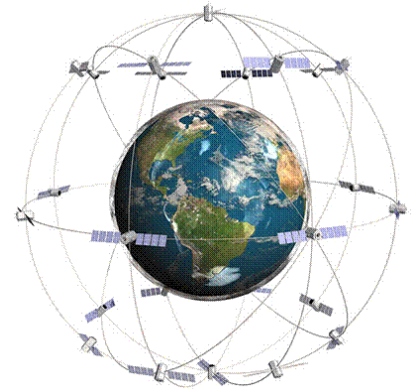
Where: ZOOM

Instructor: Stf/C Michael Maszczenski, N

Sponsors: ASPS

Cost: Free

FREE



GPS technology is part of most modern devices. Learn what GPS is, and understand how it works. Learn how to locate your position using GPS in navigation.

Weather Course: Scheduled to run starting in late September during the fall semester. More information in upcoming issues of the Anchor Watch.

Do you have something you would like to present to a group of boaters?

I am always looking for someone to share their expertise in a subject of interest to boaters. If you would like to present a seminar, let's talk. Contact me at seo@aspsmd.org, or call 410-739-7800.

Registration for All ASPS-Sponsored Courses

ASPS needs 10 participants to run a course. Please register as soon as possible - Materials must be ordered, and pick up arranged. Click on this link to register: <http://bit.ly/qKN8ad>. Or email aspsmd.class@gmail.com or seo@aspsmd.org, or call 410-739-7800. If you do not get an answer, please leave voice mail with contact information. When registered, you will receive an email confirmation. Other



information and directions will be emailed as the start date for the course or seminar approaches. As always, visit our website for more details on ASPS events: www.aspsmd.org.



For all ASPS courses and seminars:

Please register online. *After you have received email confirmation* that your registration has been accepted, please fill in and mail this form with your check *if you owe any fees*.

Name: _____

Email: _____

Course: _____ Course Fee: _____

Seminar: _____ Optional Seminar USPS Registration: _____

Optional Seminar Materials Fee: _____

Total Due: _____

All checks should be made payable to **ASPS**.

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Information for Nearby Squadrons:

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Dundalk Sail and Power Squadron: <https://www.usps.org/localusps/sss-dk>.

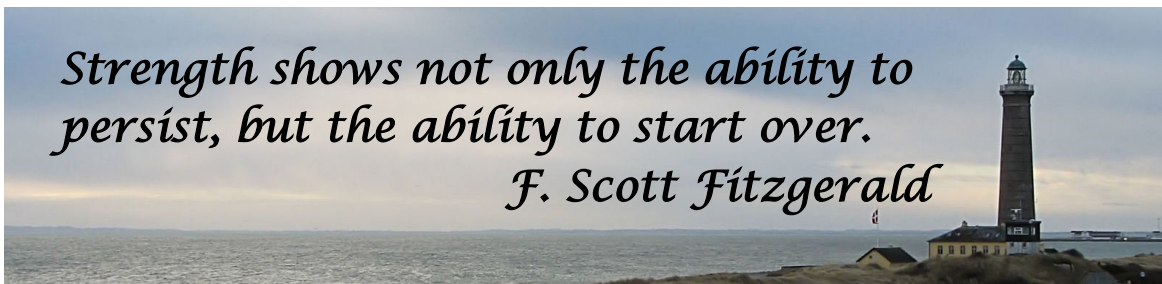
America’s Boating Club Kent Narrows

Seminar: Annie Richards - Chester Riverkeeper
Date/Time: Wednesday , 4 April 2021 at 7 PM
ZOOM Mtg ID: 339 692 5225 Password: ABCKN2020

Seminar: ARGO Boating App - Jeff Foulk --
Date/time: Wednesday, 19 May at 7 PM
ZOOM Mtg ID: 339 692 5225 Password: ABCKN2020

Registration for ABCKN:

Download newsletter for latest info and registration information.
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New Life Member



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Leona S. Myers, AP



New Life Member



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Stewart Myers, Jr., AP





And a Star to Steer Her By

1st/Lt Terry Slattery, Safety Officer

There are four fundamental rules of boating:

1. Keep the crew in the boat.
2. Keep the water outside the boat.
3. Maintain a source of propulsion.
4. Have a means to steer her by.

That star isn't very useful if you have no steering, so that's the subject of some cases to examine and lessons to learn.

Pull-Pull Cable Steering Corrosion

Lux is equipped with a cable-based pull-pull wheel steering system by Edson Marine. We've had Edson pull-pull systems on prior boats and find that they work well, provide good feedback on what the rudders are doing, and are easy to maintain. The installation on *Lux* was smooth and gave no hint of anything amiss.



We were performing regular maintenance and inspection of the starboard engine on *Lux* when we discovered heavy corrosion on part of the steering system. The ends of steering cable conduit had rusted and swollen to the point that they had broken the plastic fittings that connect the conduit to the turning sheaves. These keep the steering cable properly aligned. Fortunately, everything remained in alignment, but the problem clearly needed to be addressed.

Further investigation found that the 7x19 wire rope steering cable had multiple broken strands at different points. The cable and conduits were replaced and ready for the upcoming season.

Edson told us that their steering systems are good for about fifteen years. They also pointed out that the spring steel reinforcing in the conduits will eat through the stainless steering cable very quickly when the ends corrode like we found.

The lesson: Carefully inspect all aspects of the steering system, and find out when the system was last replaced.

Hydraulic Steering System: It's always been a bit squirrely

We decided to help a friend (Dave) deliver a Monk 36 trawler named *Sea Badger* from Newfoundland to Maine. Just clear of the marina, Dave engaged the autopilot and the vessel took an abrupt left turn. We quickly recovered and tried it again with the same results. The layout has two steering systems: one inside and a flybridge, as well as the autopilot.

Hydraulic steering is ideal for this configuration. *Sea Badger* uses passive hydraulic steering at both helms, and an engine-powered pump with solenoid for the autopilot.

The helm steering worked well and was smooth. But, any time the autopilot gave a steering command, the helm went immediately hard to port. For the first couple of days we hand steered, then had an opportunity to get out the manuals for detailed diagnosis. We traced wiring, and located the autopilot's steering solenoid. Something wasn't quite right with the wiring to the solenoid that controlled the hydraulic pump's output to drive port or starboard. The jumper that was supposed to supply power to the two halves of the solenoid was in the wrong place, and any command would cause the solenoid to perform a port turn. It had been wired incorrectly since it was installed for the prior owner. When Dave asked the prior owner about the autopilot, he was told, "It's always been a bit squirrely."

The lesson: Verify system operation with the initial installer and get it fixed.

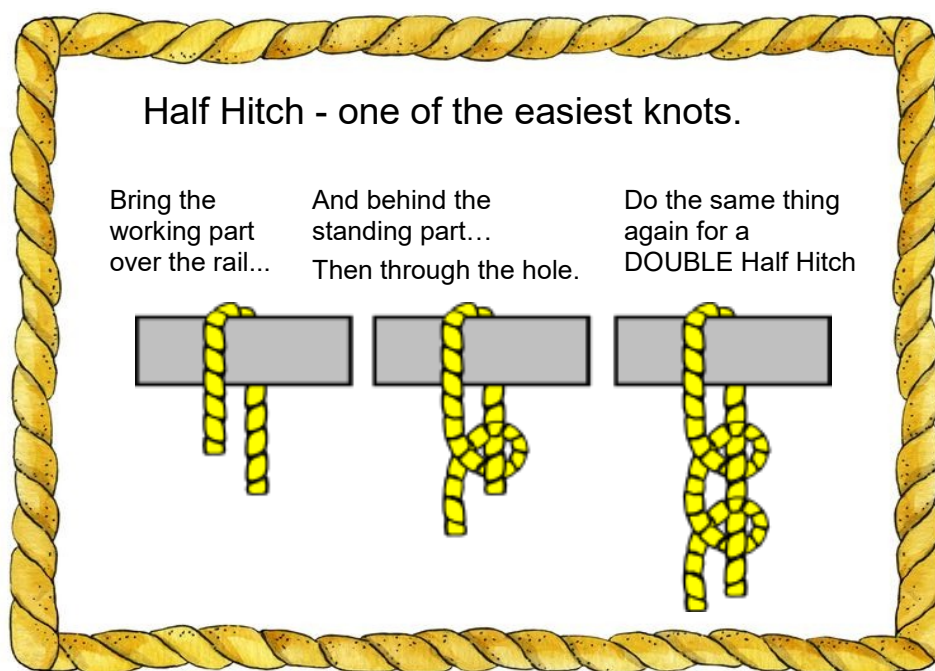
Emergency Tiller

Don't overlook your backup steering system. Do you know where the parts are? Do you know how to use it, and have you used it before? We have experimented with the emergency tiller on *Lux*, and found it to be unusable in its current configuration. We have plans for an upgrade. We've also wondered about dragging warps or a bucket as a crude emergency steering system.

Final Thoughts

Whatever steering system you have, inspect it regularly. If you're uncomfortable with your knowledge and ability to check your vessel's system, find an expert to evaluate it. In cable steering systems, look for corrosion, wear at turns and on sheaves, lack of proper lubrication, and broken cable strands. In hydraulic systems, look for leaks at junctions, chafe on all piping, and the signs of cracking in flexible hoses. Check the ram for corrosion and pitting. For all steering systems, check that all the anchor points that drive the tiller(s) are strong enough, and do not show signs of wear. Check with the system vendor to determine the expected lifetime of the operational components.

How is your steering system? ■





New England Adventure

Lt/C Carol Rechner, SN

Most of us have spent over a year in very small bubbles. I look back at pictures of trips that I have taken, and remind myself that things will return to quasi normal soon. So, with the help of Linda Sweeting and Tom Campbell, I am sharing a pleasant flashback.

In June of 2018, Tom and Linda invited me to crew on their Beneteau, *Aurora*, on a two week trip to New England, in the company of nine other Beneteaus. We gathered at Summit Marina on the C&D canal and proceeded from there.

Instead of the anticipated two day sail, it was a two day slog to Newport, Rhode Island, because the wind actually was 180 degrees different from what had been predicted the day before we left. No matter! We were on our way!



AIS and radar are must haves. In the middle of the night we passed a tug in the fog quite closely. We could not see him or his navigation lights. We only picked him up on radar and AIS. Radar also displayed the new wind farm off Block Island. Having just updated the charts on my copy of OpenCPN, the wind farm was displayed on my chart, but no one else had it on their charts. (Yes, this is a plug for OpenCPN. You can update charts as frequently as you wish.)

In New England, mooring balls are the order of the day. Slips are scarce and REQUIRE reservations. So, if you go, be advised. And, practice picking up a mooring ball before you go. There *is* an art to it. We were part of a group with lots of advanced planning, so we had slips... mostly.



While in Newport we naturally visited one of the “cottages.” This one belonged to Consuelo Vanderbilt. Above right is the summer house, near the cliff edge, overlooking Rhode Island Sound.

Onward, around Judith Point, through the narrow channel to the east of Fishers Island and on to Mystic! Thoughts of Scylla and Charybdis came to mind, but only because a commercial fishing boat was coming through the cut at the same time. It is the first time I have seen a red/green to mark lanes.

Mystic is tourist central. Lots to see, and lots of places to stay. The Amtrak station makes it a great place to change crew. The seaport museum is phenomenal. You must see it if you are ever in the area. The *Charles Morgan*, a whaling vessel is a walk-on exhibit. While we were there, the *Lady Maryland* was tied



up to one of the visitor wharves, having sailed up from Maryland with a large crew of school aged children.

Mystic Seaport Museum had been commissioned to repair a Viking long boat. They were working on it while we were there. In addition, there was an entire building devoted to Norse explorations in North America.



As we motored down the Mystic River we passed the picturesque town of Noank on our way out to Long Island Sound.

We continued down Long Island Sound to Milford, at the mouth of the Wepawaug River, about 4 miles east of Stratford, Conn. The Waterway Guide

describes the harbor as “crowded” with good marinas. THAT is an understatement. The town has a great way of packing in more boats than a simple mooring field. There are fields of floating docks tethered to the bottom at both ends to reduce movement. Each dock can accommodate two boats, with NO swing. Our group leader managed to secure slips, a little short, but workable - amazing.





On to Oyster Bay, home of Teddy Roosevelt! We did not see his house - another time. This was one of the few days we could actually sail. Tom enjoyed the trip, but wished for more wind. To the right is another of the boats in the group. We entered Oyster Bay Harbor, and attached to a ball in the biggest mooring field I have ever seen. A launch serviced the area and took us ashore for dinner.



On to New York! No time for pictures. The waters were filled with traffic, including two seaplanes practicing water landings right there in the East River, seemingly oblivious to the four sailboats passing through. Ferries everywhere! Boats buzzing around! We crossed the Hudson to Liberty Marina, which also has a ferry dock for the trip to Ellis Island and the Statue of Liberty.

We made the trip to Ellis Island, where the immigration buildings have been turned into an extensive museum and research center. The ferry makes a stop at Liberty before returning to the marina. As luck would have it, that was the day that someone was protesting something, climbed the statue, and caused the authorities to evacuate the island. Yes! They held OUR ferry until they could pack on as many people as possible. Linda got this great shot of two police helicopters buzzing around the statue, and a marine police vessel (one of many) circling the island. We did not find out what all of the commotion was until we returned to the marina and watched the news.



The next day was 4 July with fireworks! Then, the trip south a day early to avoid bad weather. Linda reports that during her night watch, off the coast of New Jersey, she encountered a fishing vessel with no navigation lights showing. Nor was it broadcasting AIS. It really pays to be vigilant, and have radar too. When we got near, they turned on everything, and lit up like a Christmas tree.

We rounded Cape May in the dark, taking a cut though the sand bars near to the shore. There is an anchorage for freighters on the far side of the bay, near the Delaware shore. The lights from all of the freighters can be quite confusing, as they appear nearer than they actually are. As we traveled up the Delaware, there was lightning all around us. However, luck was with us. We did not encounter any storms. In the morning, we motored into Summit Marina on the C&D, and took a well deserved nap. We had a great dinner at the marina, and sailed back to Annapolis the following day. A great trip, but we needed more time to sail, do things, and see all of the seaport towns we visited.

Thanks to Tom and Linda for asking me to be part of this adventure, and supplying some pictures/suggestions for this write-up. ■



News and Pics from Members

From Susan Gilbert:

“First time I have seen anything like this. It runs from Annapolis to as far as I can see south.”



Arcus clouds are low-level, wide ranging **clouds** typically associated with powerful storm **clouds** and thunderstorms. Height of base: Up to 6500 ft. Shape: Wedge shaped, or a long rolling horizontal column. Susan Gilbert took this picture of an Arcus cloud from the upper deck of her home in Franklin Manor. Quite the unusual weather phenomenon!





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Calendar of Coming Events

United States Power Squadrons® Events

22-28 May National Safe Boating Week

District 5 Events

05-08 Apr D/5 Spring Conference - Online

Squadron Events for Annapolis and Nearby Squadrons

01 Apr ASPS Virtual Dinner Meeting - ZOOM
 14 Apr New Members Welcome - ZOOM
 21 Apr Apps for Boaters Seminar - ZOOM
 22 Apr Exec Committee meeting - ZOOM
 27 Apr America's Boating Course - ABC 3 - ZOOM
 29 Apr Executive Committee Meeting - ZOOM
 06May ASPS Virtual Dinner Meeting - ZOOM
 19 May GPS Seminar
 24 May Blue Angels Rehearsal Day Raft-Up
 27 May Executive Committee Meeting - ZOOM
 03 Jun ASPS Virtual Dinner Meeting - ZOOM
 05 Jun ASPS Annual Picnic - Bay Ridge Community Center
 12 Jun Raft Up - Eagle Cove - Magothy River
 25-27 St. Michaels Weekend Rendezvous - Miles River
 24 Jun Executive Committee Meeting - ZOOM

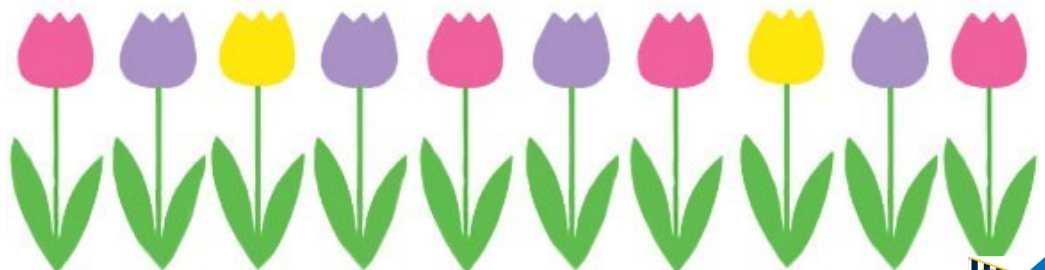
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