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## Marinating with Jim High

**The Ship of Theseus?** This is a very old thought experiment first discussed by Greek philosophers Heraclitus and Plato in c. 500–400 BC.

It asks the question whether a ship is the same ship even if all of its parts and all of its planks have been replaced. Also, if all the old parts and all the old planks were kept then restored and reassembled which of the two ships would be the original ship?

When I was a child growing up my family was involved in the Chesapeake Bay Boat Show that took place at the Fifth Regiment Armory in Baltimore, in 1980 the boat show moved the Baltimore Convention Center. Later it was renamed the Baltimore Boat Show at which time it was no longer the Chesapeake Bay Boat Show. I am extremely happy to be a part of the Chesapeake Bay Boat Show again. This time in Timonium, Jan. 21-23. Please come and see us there and ask yourself, is the Chesapeake Bay Boat Show back? Just like the Ship of Theseus.

## The Ship of Theseus and ROCK Music.

In the 1970's a band goes on tour and they are still touring in 2022. However, they may not have any original members. So, are they still the same band?

I don't think so. Journey was never Journey after Steve Perry left.

Here are a few others... YES to Heart, Quiet Riot, The Little River Band, Thin Lizzy, The Hollies, Judas Priest, and Blood, Sweat and Tears. In terms of music a band with no original members is really just an over-expressed tribute band. Not every group can hang out as long as say U2, the Rolling Stones or them there Coral Reefers!

## Writing about Coral

**Reefers... TATS:** Are you

familiar with the abbreviation TATS? It stands for Trips Around the Sun and it is Jimmy Buffett's way of saying Happy Birthday.

However, whoever you are or whenever your birthday, our trip around the sun at this moment is as far from the Sun as it is basically going to be. At this point each time the Sun goes up and comes down, the Sun is a little bit closer and the days just slightly longer. My TATS ends every year on February 13 Just as the days are getting a bunch longer and Spring is right around the corner, sometimes it is even a on a Friday. So, wherever you are or will be in the "Trip around the Sun" let's have a prosperous and awesome New Boating Year!

Dock bars you have to cross the train tracks to get to: (Yes, these are trips by car or pick-up truck)

I have said since my Mariner Magazine days, that any dock bar you have to cross the railroad tracks to get to has got to be a great dock bar. A few examples I have been to recently include: Lees Landing in Port Deposit, The Hard Yacht Café in Dundalk, but my original was down in Dumfries, Virginia and owned by Tim Bauckman. Sadly, it closed this past fall. Tim's Rivershore was the best! After a long fight with developers, Tim's lost its lease.

That was a loss I will long remember and regret.

Seems like I need a new place, so please me know of others dock bars you need to cross the railroad tracks to get to!



**The IRS** suspected a fishing boat owner wasn't paying proper wages to his deckhand and sent an agent to investigate him.

**IRS AUDITOR:** "I need a list of your employees and how much you pay them".

**Boat Owner:** "Well, there's Clarence, my deckhand, he's been with me for 3 years. I pay him \$1,000 a week plus free room and board. Then there's the mentally challenged guy. He works about 18 hours every day and does about 90 percent of the work around here. He makes about \$10 per week, pays his own room and board, And I buy him a bottle of Bacardi rum and A 30 pack of Natural Lights every Saturday night so he can cope with life. He also gets to sleep with my wife occasionally".

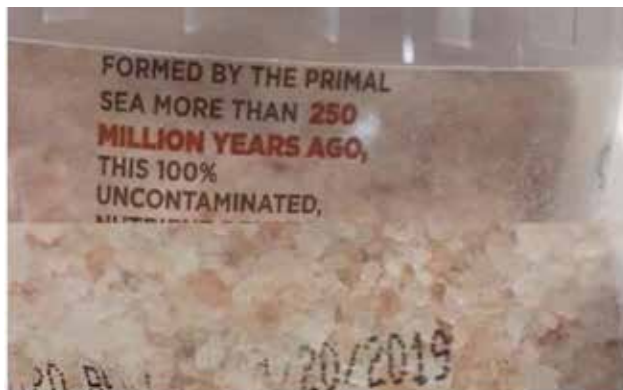
**IRS AUDITOR:** "That's the guy I want to talk to - the mentally challenged one".

**Boat Owner:** "That would be me. What would you like to know"?

I think many of us will understand the captain's feelings on that one! Signs of High Times compliments of Wallingford Sign Company.

## What the Non-Boating Humans did!

On a sad note... there exist non-boating humans. Maybe they just weren't introduced to boating as kids. Maybe they just don't realize how awesome the boating world is or maybe, just maybe they don't read Upper Bay Boating! But whatever it is, the non-boating humans tend to not be as happy as we on the water BE! I bet Ted Bundy never waterskied! Wayne Gacy needed a paddleboard. Lizzy Borden's parents needed to get Lizzy a row boat! They would have lived longer.



Only a non-boating human would stamp an expiration date on 250 million old salt!

# Finding your bliss (bling) in the dark

By Wendy Gilbert – Contributing Editor

There are times when we all feel like hibernation is a really great idea.

During these bleak winter days, the compulsion to cease moving can be especially strong. Call it Seasonal Affective Disorder (SAD), Seasonal Depression, The Blues or just plain fatigue ... whatever pleases your sensibilities. Whatever it is, it's all about the cold and dark, but mostly the dark.

On one particular dark night a couple of months ago, we were doing anything but sitting around. It was mischief night (the day before Halloween) and in my neighborhood, it was trick or treat night. I had two gigantic bags full of good candy at the ready and enjoyed handing it out to an intermittent stream of baby Yodas, Disney princesses and super heroes.

Just as my husband was getting ready to don his werewolf mask and paws, we noticed a disturbance in the force (the road) right in front of our driveway.

Soon after a lady appeared at the porch asking for a flashlight.

We grabbed every flashlight at hand and our cell phones and headed down the drive into the street.

There are no street lights in our neighborhood and the neighbors across the street were away, so all we had was the light from their Halloween display. It was pretty neat looking, but the little orange and purple twinkie lights didn't help in the slightest.

The woman had dropped her diamond wedding band while getting out of the wagon and couldn't find it.

Within minutes all of us were studying the ground with intensity. Every few minutes, we'd ask about possible projections (surely, it had bounced on the pavement) and for detailed descriptions. Sadly, every time one of us saw something glisten in the dark, it was just a water droplet from a recent shower.

We tried to predict which way it might have rolled and fanned out in all directions.

We tried a grid pattern.

Nothing.

After about 20 minutes a man taking his daughter out to trick or treat joined us. Now we had 6 adults and 1 child studying every square inch of the road, the driveway and the leaves and grass thereon. I got a rake and tried clearing the debris, but that didn't help either.

The woman who'd lost the ring was constantly talking to herself and to us about insurance, metal detectors and a very detailed description of the wedding band. Her husband showed me his – hers was a match. As time wore on, we were all getting discouraged.

It was so dark and we all felt a bit hopeless. Surely, one of us would have found it by now.



We exchanged contact information and promised to search again at first light.

And then we went right back to looking for it.

We just couldn't help it.

Every time we felt like giving up and talked about giving up, we'd just keep looking over and over at the same places.

I asked if anyone knew who the Patron Saint of Lost Things was. I said that I thought it might be Saint Anthony. I worked in a Catholic Book store during college, but that was a long time ago. The lady said, "My daughter goes to a Catholic School and I should know, but I don't. Saint Anthony sounds right."

So, I said a prayer out loud to St. Anthony and another one quite silently to anyone in the realm who might be able to help us.

Then her husband suggested we bring a car around to shine some more light on the road. Brilliant!

And after another 5 minutes or so, the neighbor who had joined the search spied the ring!

It was just about exactly where she said it fell.

The wave of relief was palpable. She thanked everyone profusely and even dear old St. Anthony got a nod of appreciation. My guess is that she'll remember who St. Anthony is next time ... and maybe ... just maybe get her ring resized.

Hang in there my friends. Spring is coming!

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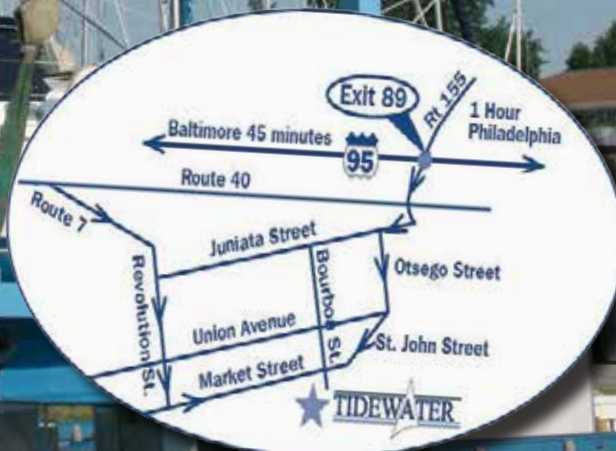
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## Cotton Kills-

### *Don't be chillin' in chilly conditions*

By Wendy Gilbert *Contributing Editor*

When I first started boating, my safe boating instructor spent a lot of time talking about hypothermia, boating in cold water conditions and a bunch of other stuff I thought was pretty pointless.

It was May after all and we were wearing shorts to class and nursing our first light sunburns of the year. I wasn't planning on boating much past Labor Day anyway, so who cares?

Fast forward a good 20 years and yup, my instructor was a pretty savvy guy.

I was invited to spend the day on an old friend's sailboat last month and she sent me a detailed list of things to bring with me to Annapolis.

Ever notice how captains are detail-oriented?

Not so much their artsy writer friends.

Confession – I am not a fan of cold weather. Cool is one thing. Cold is another.

Over a Zoom session, she went over the plans and assessed my wardrobe choice.

First rule is to pay attention to both the air temperature and the water temperature. If the combination of the two equal 100 or less, shift into cold water mode.

We were in cold water and cold weather mode alright. Brrrrr.

Second rule (or maybe this is the first one?) File a float plan and follow it. Leave as detailed a plan as possible with your spouse, a relative or a friend, and tell them you will check in when you get back to land. If they don't hear from you, they'll know to call for help and where to send rescuers.

Dress for the water, not the weather. One of the biggest mistakes people make is dressing for the air temperature. Sure, December will treat us to an occasional 60-degree day, but from now until early March, don't count on it. What you can count on is a water temperature still in the 40s or even colder. Water can sap your body heat 25 times faster than air can,

so protect yourself from possible immersion, no matter how warm it feels outside. Also, wearing a wetsuit couldn't hurt.

Marcia had a spare wetsuit and offered it, but as I am a good 8 inches taller than her, I declined.

I'm a big fan of natural materials and had brought my planned clothing items with me to the office for the Zoom call. On top was a brand new supima cotton turtle-neck. It is so pretty!

Marcia took one look at it and said, "cotton kills you know".

Apparently, my go-to cotton turtleneck is one of the worst things I could have selected to wear when it's cold and damp. She said cotton clothing absorbs water and reduces body temperature much more quickly than other materials. She suggested I wear water-resistant fabrics and layers that wick away moisture as well as a waterproof outer layer.

My friend loves a brisk winter day on the water and is prepared for emergencies. Her boat is well supplied with blankets, food, water, warm clothes and communication and location devices, including a VHF radio, GPS and emergency position-indicating radio beacon or personal locator beacon.

We both checked our contact lists on our cell phones with local rescue numbers.

After a stern lecture on hypothermia, we were on our way.

Or so I thought.

A small craft advisory was issued the day before and our plans have been postponed.

Ah well. Now all I have to do is see if I can get this trip rescheduled for May or even June!



Wendy Gilbert





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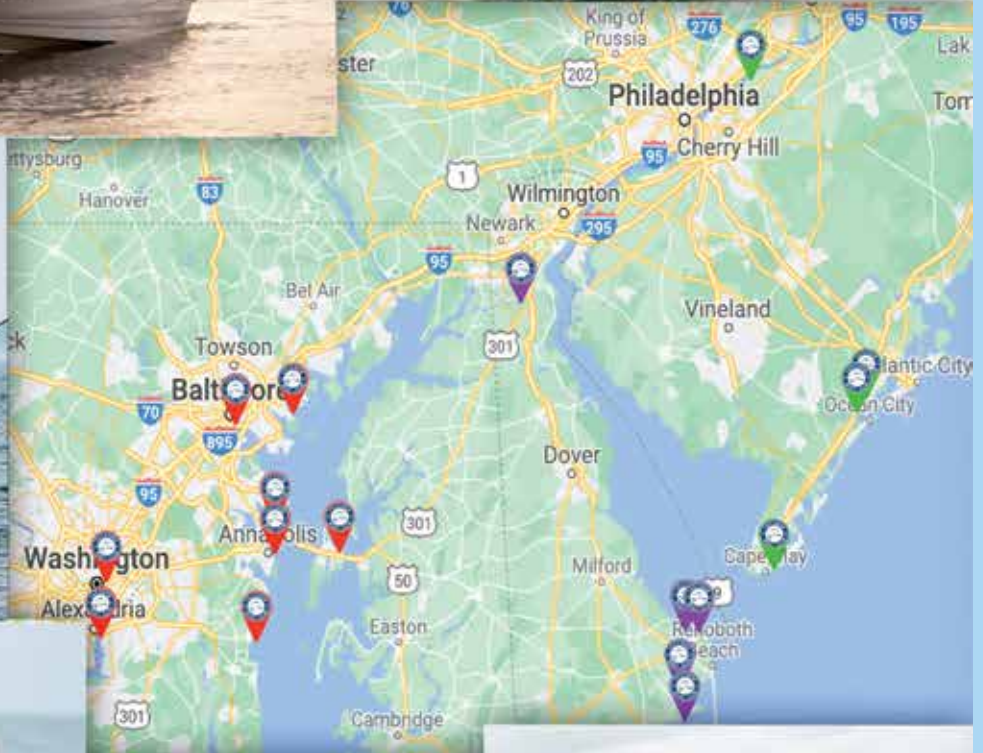
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Argo continues to release frequent updates to the app with enhanced navigation and social features for boaters. Recent updates include adding a new depth layer with NOAA/USACE data, color-coded routes for safety, autorouting on inland lakes, marina and yacht club affilia-



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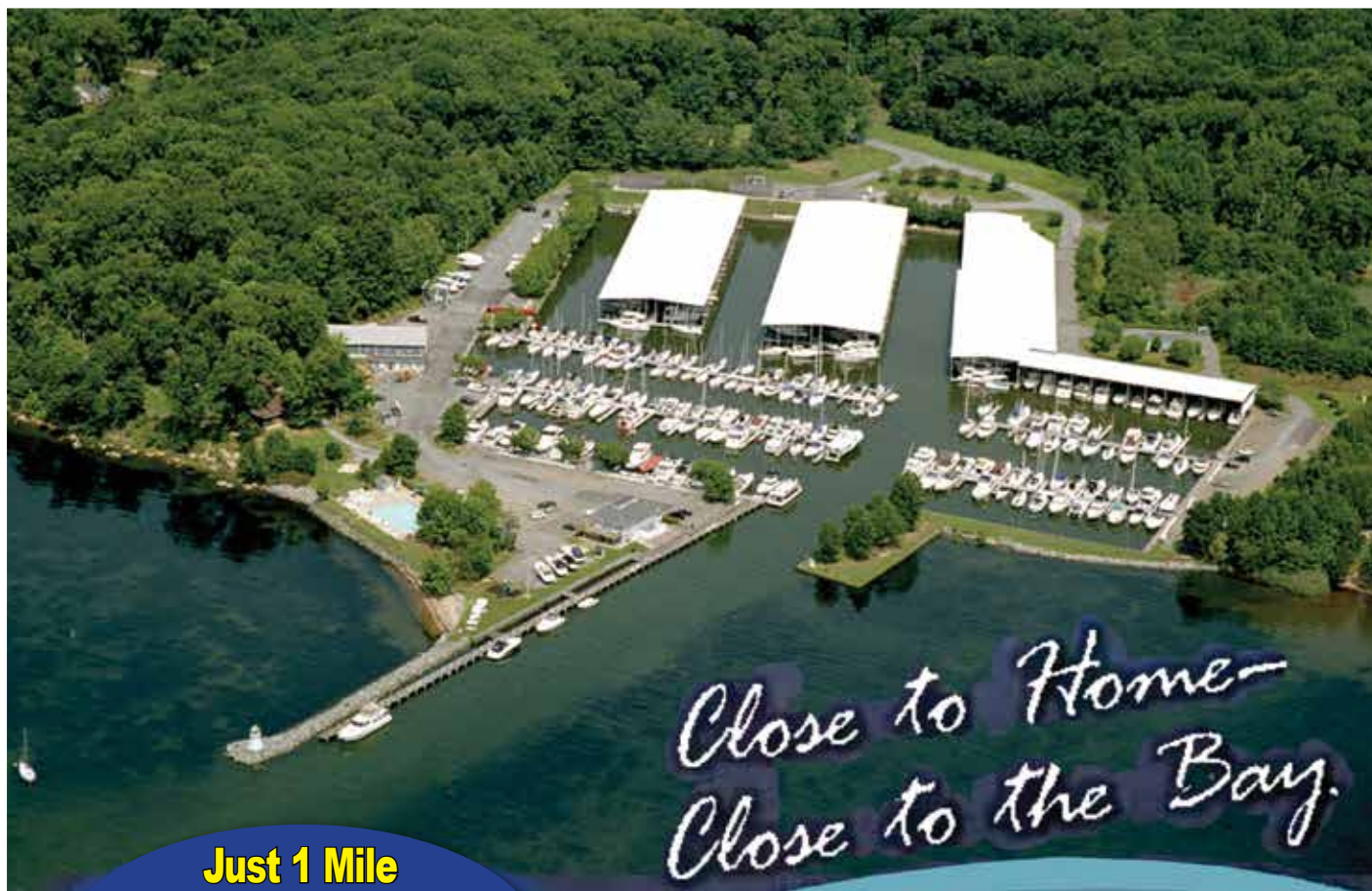
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# Boost Your Memory at the Show

## Looking for a new boat?

Boat Shows are the best place to go, to see, to touch and to compare a variety of new boats (and used boat listings) displayed by manufacturers, dealers and marinas with knowledgeable staff just waiting to answer your questions.

But, far too often, show goers (especially new boaters) suffer from "Information Merging". Prospective boat buyers get home from the Boat Show and quickly realize that all the information has merged in their brain and they can't remember which boats had what features, what was standard on each one, what the options were, the interior colour choices, motor options, etc, etc, etc. Now, the memory recalls the features of one or two or maybe even three boats and merges them together into an imaginary boat, making it difficult to do a comparison.

## You have the Answer!

Your Smart Phone can change all that! Let your smart phone be your memory. Taking pictures, video and recording voice has never been easier and there is no cost. Unlike years ago when we had to buy film and pay an arm and a leg for processing, now everyone has a smart phone that allows you to take hundreds of pictures and instantly shows them to you.

In years past, the boat manufacturers printed a huge supply of brochures for show goers to take with them to remember the boats that they had seen; but, not any more. Most manufacturers today have moved into the digital age and have all their specs, pictures and information on their websites. While at the Show, you don't know what is shown on their website, so let your smart phone capture the specific details that are important to you for each boat. Let your phone be your memory.

## Take Pictures

Take pictures with your smart phone to give you a detailed record of the features for each boat that you are interested in. To mark the beginning of each boat (let's call it your file folder label) take a distant picture of the whole exterior then a close-up of the brand name and model. Once you have the boat identification picture marking the beginning of the "folder", take shots of all the details you want to remember, inside and out. Later, in the weeks following the Show, you will instantly know which pictures belong to each boat, when you are reviewing and comparing as you narrow down your choices.



## Video Recorder

Smart phones also have video capability, so you can video as you tour each boat and capture your own voice, while describing what you are seeing, the location, the pros and cons as you go. You can also video conversations with the salesperson who answers your specific questions, for later reference and comparison with the other boats that you consider at the Boat Show.



## Voice Recorder

Another smart phone feature is a voice recorder that is a little less obvious than a video recorder—just press "start". Use the voice recorder for the salesperson's answers to your questions and reserve the video recorder for your boat tour. You can also use your voice recorder to save your thoughts and suggestions, rather than trying to write and save notes.

## Tips

I'd suggest you practice using your Smart Phone to video and record at home before the Show; so that you don't fumble and waste valuable Boat Show time trying to figure it out; or worse, recording everything on the wrong setting and not being able to view it later.

Don't be afraid to ask your kids or grandkids to help you figure it out—LOL.

I'd also suggest you take your charger with you. Some of the older phones run out of battery very quickly, so you will want to be able to charge the battery somewhere while you are having lunch. Or, family members or friends can use their smartphone when yours runs out.

## Enjoy the Show

Take advantage of the technology in your Smart Phone and give your memory a boost! Enjoy your time at the Boat Show to learn all you can. Bring home all your research nicely organized for reviewing and comparing the boats that you have inspected, to help you make an informed boat buying decision.

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# The Sailing Mystique...A Mistake?

By L. Alan Keene

The popularity of recreational sailing in America is ebbing like the outgoing tide and, sadly, it has been for decades. According to the U.S. Coast Guard, since 2017 sailboat registrations in the U.S. have dropped by more than 8 percent (a trend that began back in the early '80s) and now fewer than 2 percent of all registered boats are powered by the wind. Strangely, powerboating hasn't seen a similar decline.

Many explanations have been offered; the most obvious being the high cost of sailboat ownership. But, while the purchase price of new sailboats eliminates many, the market is rife with seaworthy 2nd hand daysailors ... many costing less than a 10-year-old used car.

Some hold sports like golf, bicycling, and running responsible for filling the leisure hours of active Americans, while others feel the sedentary lifestyle of the video game generation is to blame. Still others point the finger inward, attributing sailing's decline to the absence of quality mentoring programs for our youth.

And while all of these are certainly factors in the decline, there's another, more personal reason that may be uncomfortable to admit. It involves our collective egos and how we view ourselves at the helm. As experienced sailors, we take pride in our ability to skillfully maneuver our boats using only the power of the wind, as well we should, but sometimes we choose to make the process appear more difficult than it really is ... especially when there are non-sailing guests to impress.

While making fine adjustments to the back stay, traveler, cunningham, and boom vang are critical in squeez-

ing out that last quarter knot of speed in the Wednesday night races, that tweaking is hardly critical to a pleasant weekend sail on the upper Bay. In fact, many captains who are out for a leisurely Sunday afternoon sail don't even concern themselves with sail shape .... until guests come aboard, that is. Consciously or not, many of us work hard at emphasizing the enigmatic nature of sailing.

Adding to the mystery is sailing's baffling terminology.

Sheets and blocks, halyards and forstays, leeches and luffs become just more pieces of the puzzle. As a result, many Sunday afternoon guests return to dry land overwhelmed with sailing's complexities rather than excited about the prospect of entering a sport that, while challenging, is well within their financial means and skill level.

If recreational sailing is to recover from its four-decade long ebbside, experienced sailors must put their egos aside and demystify the sport. We must act as mentors for our adult guests as we would for students in a classroom, offering instruction in functional terms rather than the obscure ones that serve to further reinforce the sport's elitist image. Instead of stressing the complexities of sailing,

we need to show our guests how simple, affordable, and safe sailing can be.

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# Sunrise, Sunset

By Captain Mark Galasso

Every boater who has a cellphone has pictures of Sunrises and Sunsets. If you happen to work on the water one of the great pleasures we have here on the Chesapeake Bay is our workday often starts with a splash of color in the morning and another one in the evening. That and a good hot cup of coffee would make anyone look forward to the start of a new day. You can visit your local coffee outlet at any time of the day and get a good consistent coffee just the way you like it. For me a good morning blend from Dunkin Doughnuts or Royal Farms with a hint of Half and Half, no sugar, works every time. But Sunsets and Sunrises are a different story. Everyone is different and everyone is special.

In my humble opinion redder is better. And contrary to the old saying "Red Sky at night sailors delight. Red sky in the morning sailors take warning." I love seeing a red sky in the morning. It wakes me up and keeps me on my toes all day. I can't help but wonder why. Why are they all different? The earth has been rotating around the sun for millions of years. And the moon has been revolving around the earth just as long. Every annual cycle of sunsets and sunrises is practically the same. The winter solstice, the shortest day of the year is always December 21st. Shortest day based on daylight, not time. The summer solstice, June 21st has also been consistent over millennium. What's changed? Glad you asked.

First let's look at what actually happens in our eyes. Light is actually made up of varying wavelengths of light like the color spectrum that you see as light passes through a prism. Blues and greens are short wavelengths and yellows and reds are longer wavelengths. The sun bombards the earth with the whole light spectrum. As the wavelengths of light pass through the earth's atmosphere it is filtered by a process called scattering. The scattering is done by particles in the earth atmosphere. The more particles the more scattering. And the longer the light has to pass through the atmosphere the more the wavelengths are refracted and reflected. Or to put it simply bounced around. Our eyes have evolved to take advantage of the light that is available to us. Some animals that are strictly nocturnal have eyes that have evolved to take advantage of small the amounts of light that are available at night. Lucky us!

These particles can be almost anything but the vast majority are made up of hydrogen, oxygen and nitrogen, three of the basic building blocks of life. Combinations of these building blocks create the particles. They can be ozone, O<sub>2</sub> or water vapor, H<sub>2</sub>O or any combination. If enough water vapor gets together it forms clouds. And if the clouds become too heavy with water vapor it rains. If it becomes too cloudy and rainy we don't get to see a sunrise or sunset at all. We just get wet. But just a small wisp of clouds will reflect spectacular colors all over the sky. And on a calm day all over the water.

The main reason we only see the dazzling color show at first or last light is because of the length of time the wavelengths spend going through the atmosphere scattering. As the sun comes up or goes down the length of time the wavelengths travel through the atmosphere is long. At midday the sun is directly



overhead and the time spent going through the atmosphere is the shortest. Blue light bounces around the atmosphere all day and is what we see. Colors like reds and yellows to our eyes are far more vibrant during the day and less in the morning or evening. Blues and greens are much more vibrant during the day and less as the sun is closer to the horizons.

If you really think about it as boaters we can't miss. We observe the water and sky all day and get our fill of the blues and greens. If you boat in the ocean or in tropical climates you can really appreciate what I'm saying. If you happen to be on the water at sunrise and sunset that's when we get to marvel at the other colors! If you want to test what I'm saying look at your favorite rose at sunset and again in the middle of the day. Also check out the water in the evening and again around midday. If the water's too murky check out your pool. If you don't have a pool check out your neighbor's pool. See what I mean? I hope you asked the neighbor first.


This time of year we are all winding down the boating season but every day still produces a sunrise and a sunset. In fact the colder temperatures and shorter days can produce some of the most spectacular sunrises and sunsets of the year. Some of the clouds may be carrying water vapor at below freezing temperatures. Ice crystals can reflect the wavelengths of light and create an incredible light show.

So even though the boats on the hard you don't have to miss the show. Maryland and the Chesapeake Bay offers some incredible venues to see the show. And best of all there's no lines and no charge! See you in the spring

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# Pooles Island Brewing Company

By Kimberly Merriken

Winter is coming. So, what is a boater to do? My advice (actually Ms. Ki-sha's advice) is to head on over to Pooles Island Brewing Company.

The name comes from the intrigue surrounding Pooles Island and its connection to the Middle River community. As many from this area are aware the island is closed to the public due to possible unspent mortars shot from Aberdeen Proving Ground years ago; however, Pooles Island Brewing Company is easily accessible (no boat required) and open to the public, located just off Rt 43 in Middle River.

The brewery was founded in March 2019 by Roger Bedard and Scott Donnelly. I had the pleasure of speaking with Roger when I visited Pooles Island recently with friends.

As I entered, I was immediately captivated by the lighted cut out of Pooles Island hanging overhead. Then making my way through the brewery there is the usual restaurant style seating, brewing equipment, and bar area. Next stop is the tap wall. I immediately thought of my younger days of getting Slurpees at 7-Eleven and my college trips to Patty O'Brien's on Bourbon Street. There are 8 double taps on the wall allowing service of 16 different beverages.

Roger explained the wall operates using a tap card. You get your tap card from the bar, grab a glass, and serve yourself. I asked why self-pour and not flights. Roger explained flights are labor intensive for the staff and can be expensive if you end up not liking a beer. The tap wall encourages exploring flavors outside of your comfort zone. And believe me, it is hard to choose at first, when you have beers named Tan Lines, Her Royal Tartness, Bay Haze, and Rodger-Roger (not named from Airplane but from combining the owners middle and first names). If you aren't sure you are going to like that milkshake beer just pour a sip. The wall dispenses by ounces and beverages are priced per ounce; this limits wasted money and wasted beverages. If you don't like the



The Baltimore SCUBA Dive Club at Pooles Island

drink, no worries, grab yourself a clean glass or rinse the one you have and move on.

Not a beer drinker? No worries. Grab yourself a glass of hard cider or a cocktail inspired beverage that are brewed on site. Not a drinker at all...don't worry there is always water and soda on hand.

Hungry? Pooles Island has a great line up of food trucks that rotate through. Check out the schedule on the website.

Reading through the listing of beverages I inquired about the types of beer and how often they are rotated. Roger explained they have a core group of 6 beers regularly on tap and then rotate the other 10 depending on season and availability of ingredients. Roger stated that for special occasions like bachelorette or bachelor parties you can rent the space and they will teach you how to make a brew and create personalized labels for you. How cool is that?! The space is also available to rent for any special occasion or private party. In the summer you can sit on the patio and listen to live music and in the winter, they have fire pits you can sit by. The brewery is family and pet friendly, within reason of course.

Check them out on the web at [poolesbrewing.com](http://poolesbrewing.com) or stop in at 11695 Crossroads Circle, Suite A, Middle River, MD 21220 and tell them Upper Bay Boating Magazine sent you.





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# DOCKSHARE *announces partnership with* SUPERHOG

**Dockshare**, a Maryland based start-up that connects boaters with private dock owners who want to rent their docks while safely earning extra income, announced today the partnership with leading global digital trust platform, **Superhog**, to give industry-leading protection to private dock owner members and boaters utilizing Dockshare services. Dockshare is the first boating industry organization to partner with Superhog.

"Dockshare is committed to ensuring our members are protected during bookings, so that's why we've teamed up with Superhog for our newly chosen trust and safety partner," said Nate Young, co-founder, Dockshare. "We researched all our options for half a year and were fortunate enough to have gained the attention and loyalty of Superhog. We weren't going to stop until we found the best match, and it just so happens that they are the best in the business globally. We're proud to work together to keep our members safe, happy, and feeling confident in our services."

Superhog enables hosts, operators, and guests to confidently transact in the short-term rentals space, by using technology and data to create trust between strangers and de-risk their interactions. All approved bookings between members are automatically protected by the Superhog guarantee and a digital security deposit.

Together, Dockshare and Superhog can now provide trust and protection for private dock owners and boaters seeking a safe haven. This partnership will help to increase inclusivity in the short-term rental sector, give private dock owners and boaters the tools they need to verify bookings and minimize risk, and provide a seamless booking experience with full guest verification and embedded insurance.

Superhog's technology, combined with the experience of millions of bookings and listings, means that we can provide the most comprehensive global guarantees for the short-term rental sector," shared Humphrey Bowles, CEO and Superhog co-founder. "We are thrilled to provide Dockshare, our first boating industry partner, with the tools and data they need to approve guests before they rent docks. We believe that our partnership with Dockshare is a commitment to the boating technology and short-term rental industries."

## About Dockshare:

Dockshare connects boaters with private dock owners who want to rent their docks while safely earning extra income. It is a convenient and flexible way for boaters to access private dock listings and have the freedom to dock whenever they want.

In the past, boaters have relied on social media, message boards, phone calls, and newspaper ads to access private boat dock rentals. Dockshare is a safe and secure, easy to use, and mobile-friendly platform. Go boating, paddle boarding, canoeing, or kayaking even if you don't live by the water – Dockshare caters to all types of watercraft. Dockshare cares about boaters and dock owners' liability. The company encourages anyone listing on the platform to have insurance that covers their personal watercrafts, docks, and/or property. To learn more about Dockshare, visit <https://dockshare.app>.

## About SUPERHOG:

Superhog combines advanced Guest screening with embedded insurance and is delivered as a SaaS solution that can be integrated seamlessly within the pre- or post-booking journey. All validated bookings are protected by their guarantee and a digital security deposit provided by Superhog. To learn more about Superhog, visit [superhog.com](https://superhog.com).

The advertisement features a dark blue header with the text "It's like Airbnb for boat docks!" and "Don't let your dock sit empty - list it on...". Below this is the "DOCKSHARE" logo in large, bold, white letters. The background of the central section is a photograph of a sunset over a body of water with a dock and a small boat. Below the photo are three circular icons with text: 1. "LIST YOUR DOCK FOR FREE" with an icon of a smartphone and a checkmark, with the text "Start by sharing your dock without any upfront cost." 2. "TELL US ABOUT YOUR DOCK" with an icon of a camera and a boat, with the text "Choose when your dock is available, set pricing, and add all the specs." 3. "SAFELY EARN EXTRA INCOME" with an icon of a sailboat and a coin, with the text "With peace of mind, watch the cash begin to flow in." At the bottom, it says "Visit us at the Chesapeake Bay Boat Show Booth #1 and #2", "VISIT OUR WEBSITE", and "WWW.DOCKSHARE.APP" in large, bold, white letters. There are also small icons for Apple App Store and Google Play Store at the very bottom.

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# All Docked Up

By Kimberly Merriken

**All Docked Up** is an incredible new app and website that was created by boaters for boaters. It came about because founder Paul Anzalone had learned over the years that boaters of all skill levels were struggling to find reputable service providers. Not all marinas offer service centers, not all boaters live in the state their boat is kept in, and so Paul was getting calls a lot asking for referrals and asking him to perform work that he does not do. Paul is professional detailer by trade. So, this vision came to him to be a one stop shop where boaters and reputable/vetted service providers could be connected. The concept is very similar to other platforms created for homeowners to locate reputable contractors in their area.



## How do I get started?

Simply go to [alldockedup.com](http://alldockedup.com) or download the app to your phone. Then you will be asked to create a free profile. The profile type will be "boater" and you will start by entering the information requested. The more information you provide in your profile the better your experience will be, having all your boat details, including hull identification and motor VIN, will allow service providers to deliver a more accurate response in less time. As a service provider you will also create a profile selecting all the services you provide. You will be asked to submit documentation to support your business, this will include things like your insurance certificate, reviews of your business, and information for a background check. This allows your business to be certified and allows the app to provide boaters with the highest quality service providers in their area.

When a boater has a need for service, they can enter a request online. They select the type of service they need. Providers of all types are on the app. There are canvas shops, mechanics, fiberglass shops, detailers, diving services and so many more. The boater will enter some background information on the issue/service they are looking for and because they have already created a detailed profile their request is sent with this information to all service providers that offer the needed service. The service providers will be notified there has been a lead generated in their field. The service provider can log in, review the request, and boat details, and if they are able to provide the service, they can accept the lead. They also have the option to not accept the lead if they feel they cannot provide the service requested. This saves everyone involved time.

**All Docked Up** has an executive team of 7 in-house employees, as well as subcontractors. Paul Anzalone, the founder, has been a recreational boater for 22 years and in the service industry as a detailer for 15 years. President and partner, Jeff Hauber, is a low voltage specialist by trade and avid boater, as well.

Although the company was founded in 2019, it took about 16 months to launch the product. The All Docked Up booth at the Annapolis Boat Show had an incredible response from boaters and service providers alike. The feedback was very positive, because, again, this app can satisfy all your service and educational needs in one stop. Speaking of educational needs there is a great podcast on the website, as well. The podcast features Pauly and Captain Buzz. Pauly is none other than Paolo and Captain Buzz, Vice President of Consumer Affairs, is a seasoned boater with more than 15 years of experience and is also a Coast Guard Captain. How cool is that? The podcasts are recorded every Thursday night at 7 p.m. There are four each month and over 52 a year. You can even send in an email with a topic request. So, don't delay -- head on over to [alldockedup.com](http://alldockedup.com) and get that profile started.



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# Swearing like a sailor

By Montana Grant

Sailors have a reputation of being good cussers! "Swearing like a sailor" helps them navigate the rigors of boating. Sailors need to anchor their comments to be quick, precise, and understandable. Some may think the language is vile and vulgar, but when an accident is about to happen, the storm is bearing down, or the giant whale is about to ram your craft, strong, and loud, language may be required.

Maritime madness requires exciting and colorful directions. The stronger the adjective, the more urgent the need. Harsh weather or an emergency require a simple, urgent, and understandable command. Owning a boat also tends to bring out the Sailor Language in all boat owners.

Normally male sailors are masters of the cuss words but honestly, women can easily hold their own. All sailors cuss a little after seeing the price tag of a new boat! Boating is not cheap.

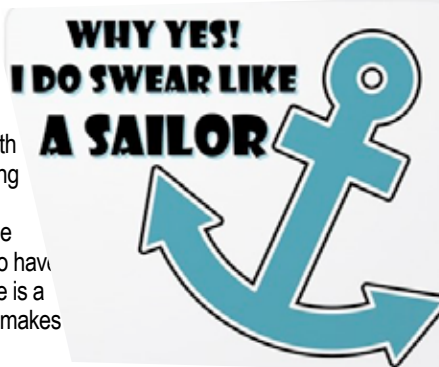
Sailors swear when frustrated, something unexpected occurs, if they want to add color or humor to their dialogue, or if they want to emphasize something. Shouting "anchor aweigh", is quicker and more understandable than saying "Please release the anchor chain and bring the boat to a stop!"

Caution is required when bringing religion into the language. Jesus Christ certainly adds support and help but watch out for the other supportive adjectives that could be disrespectful. Lord, or Lordy Be, are also acceptable. Asking or praying for help with managing your boat and crew is one thing but angering God is another.

Many cusswords are misused. Just cursing for the sake of cursing is not acceptable. Cuss words need to have a purpose. Using proper cusswords at the proper time is a display of nautical experience. Speaking like a Sailor makes you part of the crew.

If your Sailor cussing gets out of hand, here are some suggestions to help control it.

1. Wash your mouth out with a bar of soap. Ivory soap is more natural and has less harmful chemicals. It also floats if you are overboard.
2. Start a Swear Bucket. Add some coins or bills into the bucket every time your Sailor tongue gets out of control.
3. Imagine Grandma is part of the crew.
4. Blend and reshape cuss words. Ex. "Bitcher of tea", "Shitake mushroom", "Fucrying out loud".
5. If alcoholic beverages are involved, pour out a beer for each cuss word.



If smoking, stub out the cigarette early.

Sailor songs and chantes are also a way to speak or sing like a sailor. Just ask the "Man from Nantucket" or "Barnacle Bill the Sailor". Be careful to sing these colorful songs before the right, and age appropriate, audiences.

Using traditional curse words requires no imagination. "F Bombs", S---, and variations of these and other foul words simply show that you need you are not smart enough to be creative. Carpet bombing with foul words, just to cuss, have no place on a boat.

Sailors take pride in speaking their own colorful language. It is a good idea to use words that non sailors may not know or be offended by.

Here are some sailor examples.

- Dotard** - someone that acts senile or dumb
- Slumgullion**- waste from a whale
- Dadgummit** - dagnabbit, goldarn it. Ways to cuss more cutely
- Son of a Gun**- avoids adding the B--- word. Means that they are the Son of a Military Man
- Chowder Headed**- Stupid
- Lubber**- not a seaman
- Rum gagger** - a cheater and liar
- Jack nasty**- Ugly
- Scuttlebutt** - BS or comments for discussion

Sailors can quickly escalate a conversation into a fight. If you add mothers, wives, or girlfriend/ boyfriend into the equation, attached to an F-Bomb, don't be surprised that you are now in a fight. Sometimes this is intentional and sometimes it is just ignorance.

Adding an accent, inflection, or tone will make the nautical comment more realistic and colorful. "Ahoy me hearty" is a common welcoming term. It means hello my friend. "AAArrrggg" is also a typical phrase used by Pirates.

Sailor cursing can be fun without being offensive. Watch your "Frigg in" mouth and think before you speak!

Montana Grant

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# Live Aboard

by Don and Gail Elwell



## Designing the Perfect Live-Aboard Boat

As we head into our first decade on the water, we've been talking about the limitations and advantages of some of the vessels we've inhabited. More to the point, if we build another boat like we built the original Floating Empire, what would it be? What elements would we include or carefully dis-include? This is of course a highly individual list, but here are a few of the things we agreed that we definitely want to address on any new boat.

First of all, Choke Points. One of the reasons for moving aboard our current Carver dock queen was the major series of choke points that made living aboard Constellation, our beloved Pearson 30, a pain in the tuchus through the winter and pandemic. Specifically, the boat had a great drop-down table, perfect for us to sit across from one another and write or work on projects, but unfortunately, in order to go to the head, one of us had to get up, completely, clear off whatever they were doing, and fold away half of the table. During a winter of few choices of just places to BE, it got to be a bit much. When we moved aboard the Carver we went "Wow, there's a lot of room in here. No more dancing around each other."

ahem....

Anyone standing at the sink in the galley completely blocks going in and out of the boat in the Carver, and the dining table, though wonderfully huge, is in the way of anyone getting in or out of the V-berth. Did we spot these things immediately? Nope.

So, when designing a new vessel, bear in mind that with anyone using any counter space or when tables are deployed, you're going to need an additional eighteen inches or so just to get by without knocking someone over.

Second, Storage. Surprisingly, sailboats tend to have a LOT of storage. Really. Some of them have a stunning amount of storage. The problem is, it's all behind something else, in the bilge, under cabinets, behind hatches. None of the spaces are in any way rectangular, tending to be disused space matching the curve of the boat. As a result, yeah, you can store a lot of stuff, but it's going to be buried, often in damp bilge spaces, fraught with condensation and mildew, and plan on moving five things to get to the one thing you want, which is now wringing wet for reasons that surpasseth understanding. In a new live-aboard, we would be shooting for orderly, rectangular spaces, with more shallow surface area so that you can actually SEE what's inside them.



*Just because there's light it doesn't mean it's where you need it.*

Third, Light. Man, you would think the sailboat companies were being charged by the lumen. Initially, our older boats featured dim, rather lame interior 12V light, which we replaced immediately with uber-bright LED fixtures. Therein we discovered a problem: just because the light is bright it doesn't mean it's in the right place to...well...actually illuminate anything. In Constellation I installed an over galley counter light that you could tan by, and it was wonderful for cooking, but left the rest of the boat in shadow. The problem is rarely encountered in houses, mostly because movable lighting fixtures—I think they call them "lamps"—are apparently pretty common. Of course, those would just fall over in most vessels, and where would you plug them in? The solution in planning is to assign a lighting fixture for each and every seat and work space, and then add a dome light for general lighting.

Which brings us to: the DREADED SNAKE FARM. This has been a constant issue on every vessel on which we've lived. On our current boat, we have five small appliances, two computer power supplies, two cell phone power supplies, two USB power supplies for headsets, a power supply for a kindle reader. ... you get the idea. Add to all that the rather limited set of outlets with which boats tend to be provided and everything looks like the floor of Medusa's hairdresser. I did help the matter somewhat by replacing regular outlets with some including 110V AND USB sockets, which cut down on the bulky power supplies all over the damn place, but it wasn't a solution.

The solution is, of course, to figure out where things are likely to live and then over-outlet those positions so you can have the fewest and shortest lines possible. Plan on it still not being enough. Install a few more 12V and USB outlets just in case.

And, finally, the cat. Understand that your beloved ship's cat will want to be in the ABSOLUTE FREAKING MIDDLE of everything so they can keep tabs on stuff. It sounds adorable, but Magellan is twenty-five freaking pounds of fur covered ballast bag who will not hesitate to touch you inappropriately if perturbed.

The solution is, of course, to create wonderful spaces for your furry crew member. Alcoves, padded shelves, and spaces by the portholes are a wonderful idea. You can use them for storage as no self-respecting cat will want anything to do with them.

Sigh...at least we enjoy planning.



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# It's All About Location

Even in my mid-50s, I am often amazed at how much there is to learn with fishing. I have to look at each trip as being different than the one before. Yes, you can pattern the fish you are trying to catch, but circumstances can change in a heartbeat. The places you fished in the past to catch stripers may hold up, yet having other options increases your chances when the don't. Through the years, techniques and lures come and go, while locations are the constant. The more spots you have on a specific section of the upper bay, the better off you are.

One of my fishing theories is that there are no secrets in fishing. There are just things we haven't found out about yet. It is up to the individual angler to expand his or her knowledge to grow in the sport. Often times, capitalizing on and expanding the knowledge you already have can be a bonus as well. By trying new locations and fishing a wider expanse of them and your own hot spots allows for that newfound knowledge.

It's no secret that I am fond of the Gunpowder River for fall striper fishing. There, I've relied on three spots for which to catch fish. Sometimes the limited locations have been a hinderance. For years I have heard of a couple of other spots that hold stripers, while reserving another spot for when all else fails. This year I decided to broaden my horizons and try those other spots. While mid to late fall weather was colder than normal, I did catch a lot of stripers. I can attribute that to some mainstay locations; but, also, to trying areas that I have not fished before. Revisiting those spots and fishing a broader swath of those areas also paid off.

What was I thinking about when not hitting the points at the mouth of the river all these years? Current flows passed the banks strongly on both tides. The first time I ventured out was after a two-day blow. Water was too low to approach one point, and really shallow on the other. However, there was enough water to run the trolling motor without kicking up the bottom, so I fished it ... and I am glad I did. It's a great spot that yielded several stripers and I have since returned.

A friend clued me into a flat where he catches stripers. He was with me when we worked the point at the river's

mouth the first time and suggested we try his spot. Again, the water was low but still held fish. I returned to that flat again and expanded the zone farther upriver. I found the area was productive for another 150 yards or so, with changes in bottom composition. My friend can rest assured that his spot is secure. I even offered that he, too, should try a bit further upriver.

It is also not a secret that the Amtrak bridge that crosses the Gunpowder holds stripers. Yet, for the last few years, I have not had much success there. But if you ignore the obvious and look around a bit, you may find other options nearby. Years back while fishing the bridge, an angler in sight was putting a smack down on stripers on a flat just upriver from the bridge. After he left, my fishing partners that day and I fished the area and picked off a few small stripers. I've had that flat on my mind ever since, and won't leave the bridge area before fishing it. I even took two solid keepers and several just-short throw backs from it this fall.

The next trip out, timing again wasn't right for the bridge bite. The electronics showed them there, but there

were not cooperating. My partner noticed baitfish activity on the flat downriver from the bridge. That proverbial light bulb clicked on and I thought, "Why wouldn't they be on the downriver side of the bridge as well as the upriver side?" We caught a few throwback stripers from the spot, and I will bank that area for future trips.

With a few new spots to fish, I have not discounted my "go to" spots. I will not give up on the railroad bridge. I know its potential. The same holds true for my sunken rock piles. The fairly well-known spots did not disappoint me this fall. I filled limits there several times this past fall. These are spots that I was shown years ago.

I learned a lot this year on the Gunpowder River by trying new places and broadening their ranges. Even aged anglers like me can expand fishing knowledge by adding new locations to the productive ones already relied on. Fishing, and fine-tuning, new hot spots now mean better fishing in the future.



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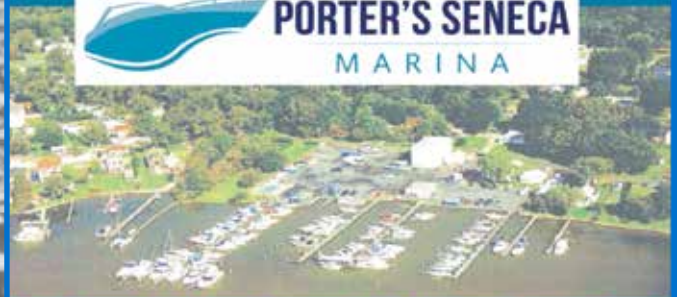
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# Maryland Waterways Foundation

## MWF efforts last year were extensive

A spokesperson for the Maryland Waterways Foundation, reports that the organization's mission is, "cleaning up the Chesapeake Bay through education, collaboration, and hands-on efforts to protect the future of our children". Volunteers, the core of MWF, help challenge issues affecting the health and welfare of human life in and around the Chesapeake Bay.

While the concentrated areas of MWF are the Upper Back River Watershed and Baltimore Harbor Watershed's Bear Creek, volunteers aided in clean-ups from Essex to Reisterstown. "They are ready to go where needed to improve our environment and waterways," the spokesperson added.

In 2021, MWF continued and expanded relationships with communities, Baltimore County Council Members, Environmental Protection and Sustainability, Marine Police, non-profits including Coastal Conservation Association and Alliance for the Chesapeake Bay, in addition to others. Working relationships included businesses like Key Brewing (who sponsored a clean-up and educational event with over 100 participants),



Grace Construction (volunteered time and equipment to destroy and retrieve abandoned boats), and aquaculture farm, Pirates Cove Oysters.

Community involvement included dumpster days, beautification and education, fairs, community events, and fundraisers. "Listening to issues arising in each community, like the midge bug effort, is how solid relationships have been built. Helping those in need during trying times with food distributions in turn keeps otherwise wasted food out of landfills, which could have created harmful gas. Working together builds great relationships, support networks, and success for positive change," the spokesperson continued.

Growing volunteer networks resulted in pooling of resources to prevent over 85 tons of trash, and hundreds of tires from



polluting waterways and flowing into the Chesapeake Bay. Storm drains were marked, trees planted to help stormwater runoff, and education and fundraiser events were staffed by many. With aid from the Baltimore County marine unit, 10 abandoned boats were retrieved from waterways. The effort prevented harmful oil and fuel from leaking into the waterways.

Summer interns were supplied hands-on experience leading clean-ups and activities including fundraisers. They worked with partnering groups, went on educational trips to the Havre de Grace Maritime Muse-



um and toured Hart-Miller Island with the Citizen Oversight Committee.

In addition, MWF assisted Chartering Venturing Crew 726 and Sea Scout Ship 7117. These youth organizations were involved in clean-ups and educational activities. Volunteers and donations help each of them achieve success in their mission. MWF looks forward to 2022 and continued support from partners in business, yacht and boating clubs, and volunteers.

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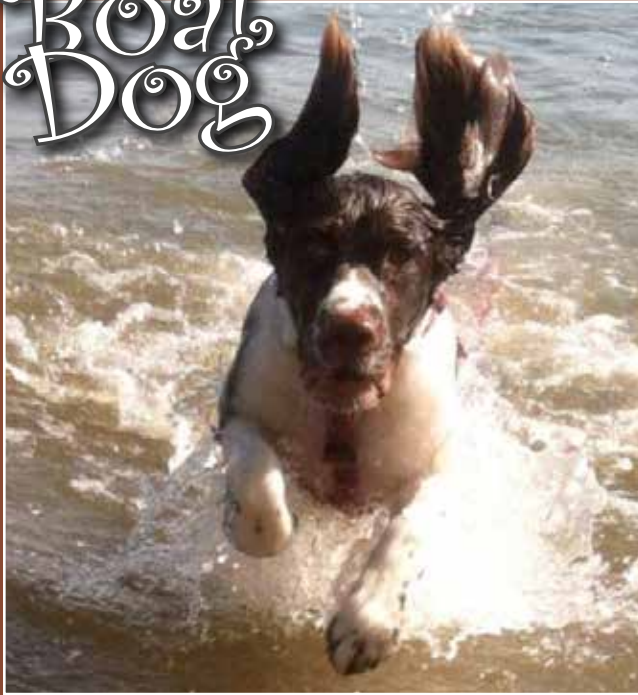
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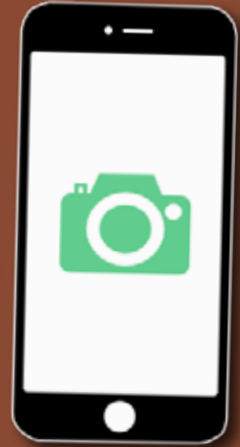
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