

Welcome to the 2nd virtual trip to Russia archived as a PDF. The Blog starts at the bottom.

We leave Friday, May 15,2020 for the 3rd virtual trip. Learning all conditions for world wide for travelers concerning the virus. By the time we set off requirements will probably be to have been vaccinated.

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1FJg6kubE5V45Qh-51cb5jwYjt3_wFjMqlq3BXWMdoc4/edit?usp=sharing

Russia in 2021. Putting the engine in a 32' Bayfield 2019 at Brand's Marina, Port Clinton, Ohio. Sailing on the Ohio in a 19' pocket cruiser out of the Ohio River Launch Club. Going up for a week at a time install the engine and Caphorn Self Steering device. Hopefully we will be able to trial the engine in September.

Sailing the length of Lake Erie in the fall of 2020..

Setting off for Russia in May of 2021 sailing directly to Orkney Island, Scotland. Next Flekkeroy, Norway; Helsingor, Demark; Saint Petersburg, Russia; arriving mid August. Leaving her on the hard in Finland. Sail the lakes of Russia and in 22' & 23'. Sail back to Lake Erie via the Caribbean.



Web sites

http://squall.sfsu.edu/gif/jetstream_init_00.gif

Marine Zones

<https://www.nws.noaa.gov/om/marine/zone/off/offnt1mz.htm>

Frank's Advice

<http://weather.mailasail.com/Franks-Weather/Transatlantic-Crossing-Weather>

Current Weather

<https://weather.com/maps/currentusweather>

Historical Weather

https://www.wpc.ncep.noaa.gov/dailywxmap/index_20190612.html

Ships at Sea

<https://www.marinetraffic.com/en/ais/home/centerx:-68.9/centery:42.6/zoom:7>

Null Earth

<https://earth.nullschool.net/>

North Atlantic Weather

<https://www.weather-forecast.com/maps/North-Atlantic>

NOAA North Atlantic Weather

https://ocean.weather.gov/Atl_tab.shtml

HUMMINBIRD TX AIS Class B Transceiver

<https://www.westmarine.com/WestAdvisor/Be-Safe-and-Be-Seen-with-AIS>

Sea Routes

<https://m.searoutes.com>

Great Lakes Solo Sailors

<https://www.solosailors.org/public/pdfs/solochjune19.pdf>

Tom's Sailing Page

<http://tomlohre.com/sailing.htm>

Open Sea

<https://map.openseamap.org/>

Since the beginning of June 2012, it is now permitted for foreign vessels to cruise all of Russia's inland waterways – in theory!

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<https://www.noonsite.com/place/russia/>

From Willard:

Our marina in St. Petersburg is the St. Petersburg Central Yacht Club.

https://en.m.wikipedia.org/wiki/St._Petersburg_River_Yacht_Club

Read one Britisher's review of the place from 2018 — he really hated it! But we know the locals, so things should be OK...

Facebook

<https://www.facebook.com/pages/St-Petersburg-River-Yacht-Club/136440456378739>

Official

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

Border Customs

<http://balticborder.com/>

Garmin Chart

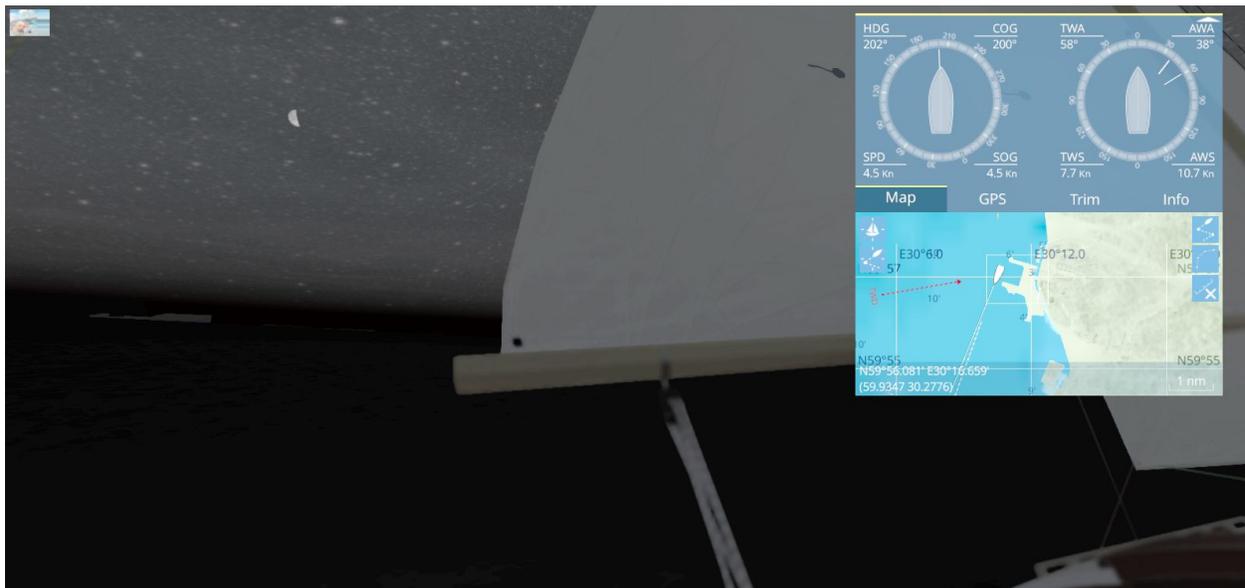
<https://activecaptain.garmin.com/en-US/pois/56847>

<https://www.noonsite.com/place/russia/>

Even if not always rigidly enforced, many of the restrictions introduced during the Soviet era have remained basically unchanged, so one should not expect the same kind of freedom of movement as is enjoyed by land tourists. Although foreign yachts can now enter Russian coastal waters, obtaining visas and permission for entry remains complicated. An invitation from an authorised body, such as a yacht club, is essential. Russian consulates will issue visas for all those named in the invitation with dates of birth and passport numbers for the period and the ports stated in the invitation. A vessel which takes shelter or stops in a port not specified in the visa can expect difficulties. (There are three Russian ports in the Eastern part of the Gulf of Finland which can be visited by foreign boats. It is enough to specify St.Petersburg in your visa to be able to visit the other two).

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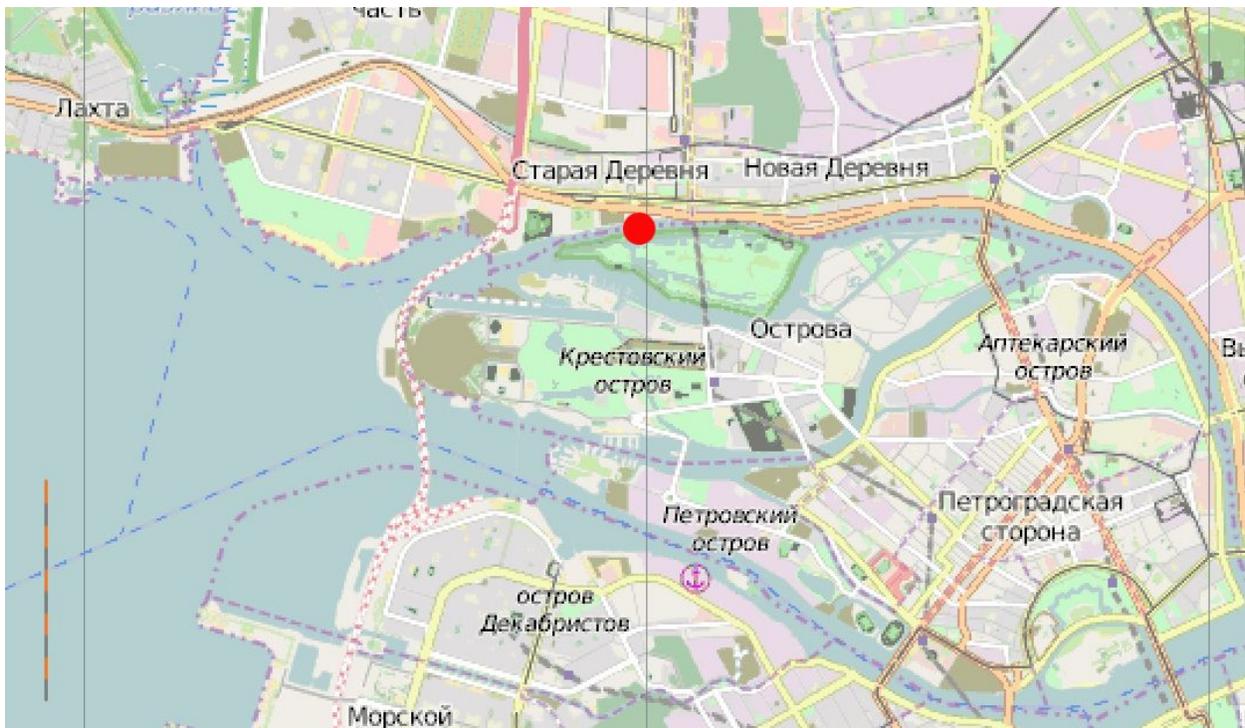
Morning off Kotka, Finland



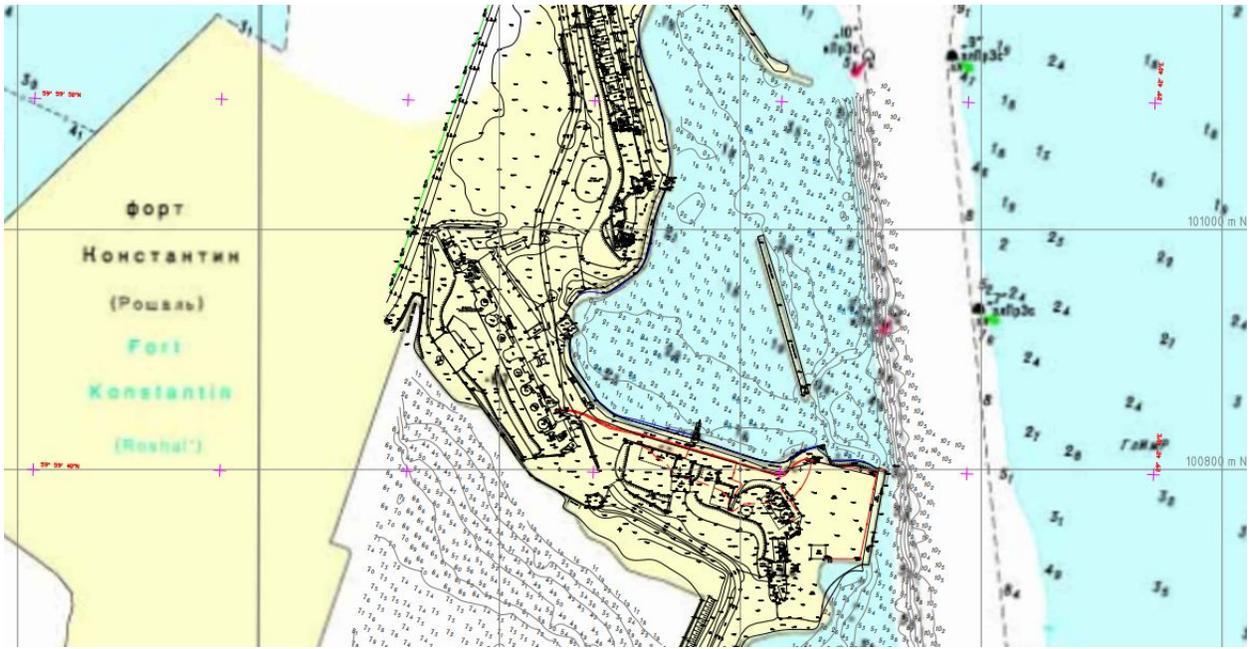
A little night sailing just off Pete

Monday, August 26, 2019 leave for Finland.

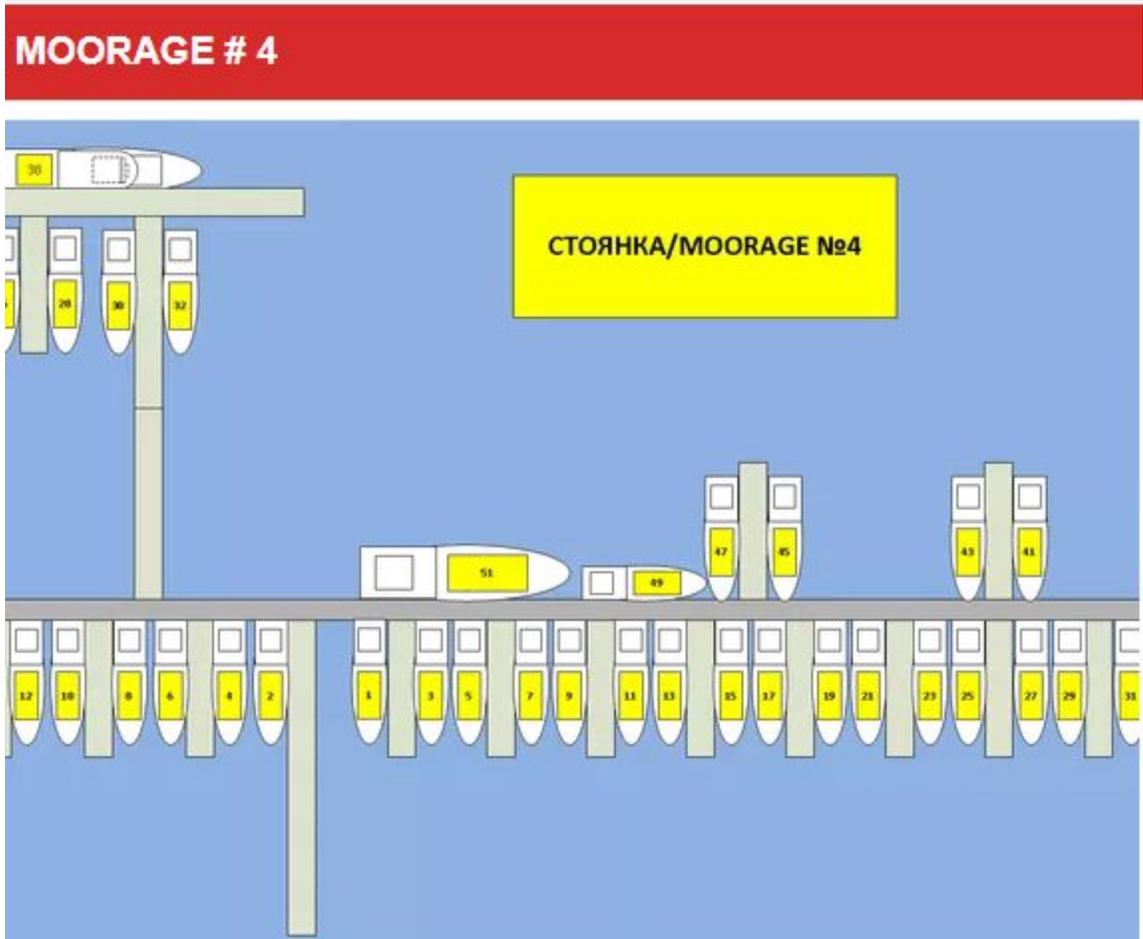
August 10th we landing in Kronstadt. Irene and Helen visited. After two weeks in St. Pete we're on our way to Finland to put the boat on the hard.



We spent two weeks at River Yacht Club St Petersburg.



Where we check in in Kronstadt. This is just north of the entrance. It's well developed with lots of activities including the local Yacht club.



Shows our moorage.

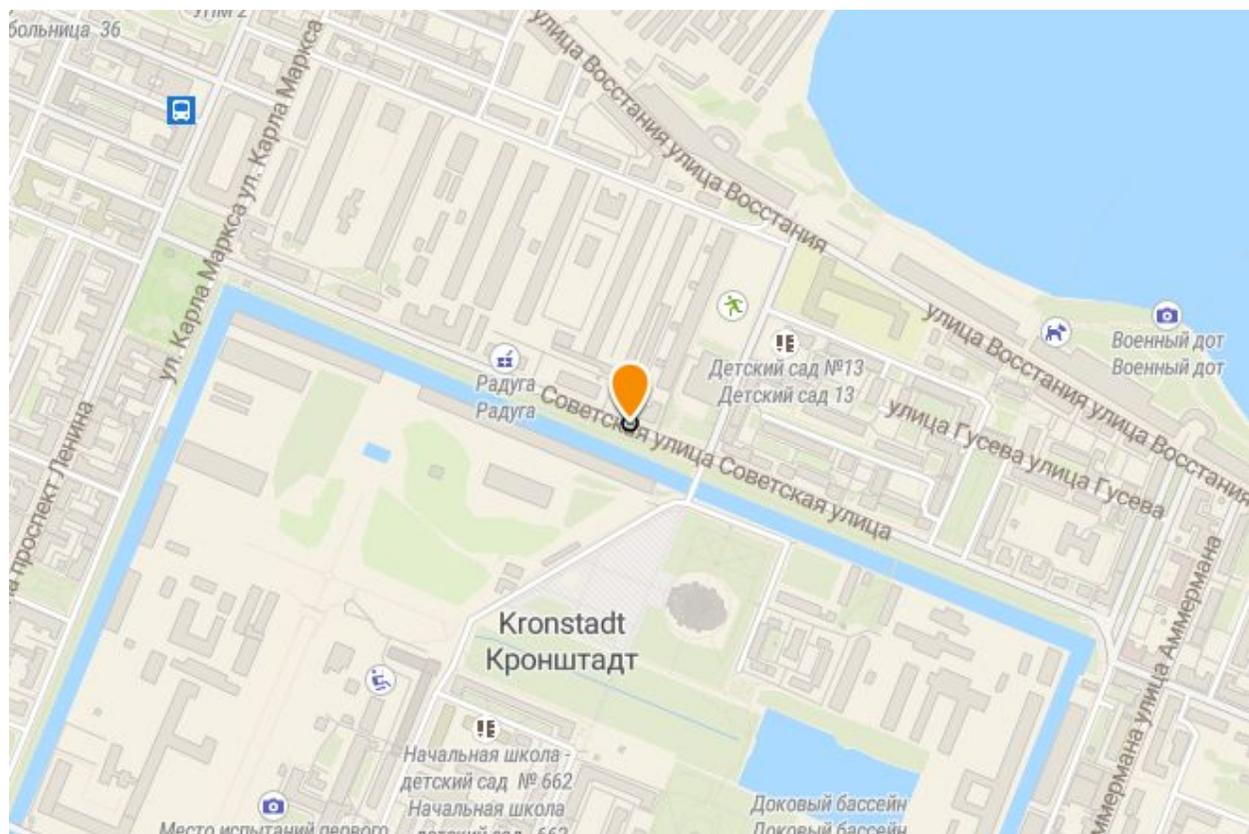


Here is the chart from

https://i0.wp.com/balticborder.com/wp-content/uploads/2013/03/map_for_BB_page.jpg

From Procedures:

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My simulator stops at the edge of St. Pete so not wonderful images of the boat in the city.



Tuesday, August 13, 2019 sailing from Kronstadt to St. Pete. Started this morning. Here it is evening because I would have had to wake early to see the sun rise. May have had only two hours in Kronstadt to check in which would have meant we went straight to St. Pete harbor Saturday.



Info from first hand experience

River Yacht Club St Petersburg

Posted on 14th August 2018 by John Vallentine

The River Yacht Club in St Petersburg, housed in an ugly soviet brutalist building, used to offer snug berths inside its huge stone moles. Now the yacht harbour is closed to foreign yachts, which now must tie up outside on fragile pontoons in the river. A steady 2 knot current and heavy wash from relentless jet skis and motor vessels make for unpleasant layover. There is room for just 3 yachts and, to cap it all off, a dreadful nightclub sits immediately adjacent to the pontoon. Leggy, bling-raddled young things, self-important males wearing white shoes – that sort of thing. Our hull vibrates with electro-thump every night. Current Baltic cruising guide advice notwithstanding, I must say the River Yacht Club should be avoided at all costs. Krestovskiy Marina opposite is much more expensive but can only be better.

We are now ready to sail up the Neva River through central St Petersburg, on to Lake Ladoga. First though, a side trip to Moscow to catch up with old friends and get Maxine's nails and hair done. All very familiar.

<https://www.sailinginrussia.org/2018/08/14/river-yacht-club-st-petersburg/>



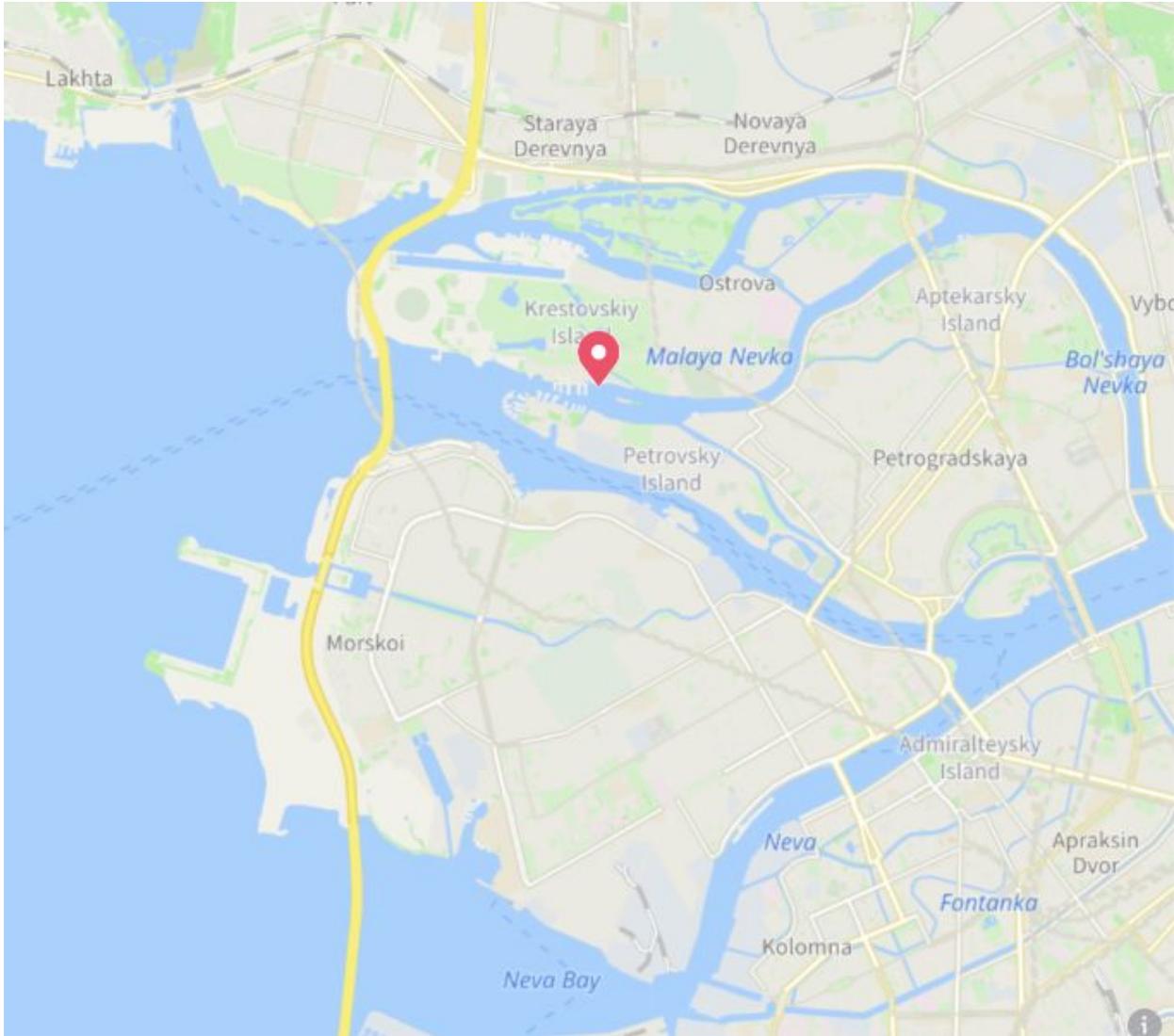
On the left should be the TV Tower just north of the River Yatch Club

Expert Advice from Noonsite
The Saint Petersburg River Yacht Club

The Saint Petersburg River Yacht Club is the oldest and the biggest yacht club in Russia. It was established in 1860. The club's founders liked to travel by small boats on rivers, which are numerous in this region. That's why they called the club the River Yacht Club. Right from its foundation, the River Yacht Club had facilities on the sea coast and its activities have always been directed to voyages and sports on the sea.

Boats going to the Central Yacht Club from Kronstadt can use as reference points the Saint Petersburg TV tower, or the stadium, named after Kirov, with its flood-light masts (these can be seen to the left of the club, over the river). Further on, you will come to a break in the line of modern houses. First the club whereabouts will be seen as a low, wide green zone between the towering modern buildings, then you'll detect the right edge of this break, which is the Vasilievsky Island with its buildings (this island lies to the right of the club, on the opposite bank of the river from it). More closely you'll see the futuristic 3-floor administrative building of the yacht club.

<https://www.noonsite.com/report/saint-petersburg-central-river-yacht-club/>





Форт «Великий Князь Константин» - Museum

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Kronshtadt

Saturday, August 10, 2019, Air Temp 66.6°, Clear, Sunny



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WELCOME TO OFFICIAL PAGE OF SAINT-PETERSBURG BORDER CONTROL POINT

With support of City Government, Federal Border Control service, ..., owners of Fort Konstantin – Messrs. “3rd Park” have constructed modern infrastructure allowing to process inward/outward clearance with due comfort and safety.

TO ALL YACHT OWNERS / OPERATORS ON THE ROUTE TO ST.PETE PORT RECOMMENDATIONS TO RUSSIAN FEDERATION BORDER-CROSSING RULES AND SAILING REGIME IN PORT AREA OF ST.PETERSBURG

1. Any yacht under foreign flags on the way from sea to St.Pete has to give preliminary notice about its arrival into check-point (CP) “Fort Konstantin” to “Morskaya Liga” Agency, either directly or through appointed Agent. This notice has to contain all data required by border guard service, according to Supplement No1. The notice has to be presented in no more than 24 hours before presumed time of arrival. The last specification of time of arrival has to be presented 4 hours before arrival (by VHS-radio, skype, mobil phone), dispatcher service points out the mooring place in the zone of border – custom control (ZBCC) for arrival legalization process. 1a. When working with agents, you have to take into account that if the station in yacht-club “Fort Konstantin” is presupposed then all agent service in the given area is practised by “Morskaya Liga” company. Those agents who serve in inner-water yacht-clubs could be admitted to independent work of border opening / closing legalization in “Fort Konstantin” area or can nominate “Morskaya Liga” (as sub-agent) for all these activities.

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2 hours. According to the custom rules the mooring period is no more than 12 hours, after that a yacht has to change its mooring place to the anchorage of “Fort Konstantin” or any other yacht club.

3. The yacht owner / operator has to inform on agent about the time of departure in no less than 24 hours before getting out to the sea, and with specification, in 4 hours before approaching CP.

Full set of docs for CLEARANCE :

All onboard – arrival-departure (1 pc)

Crew list – arrival-departure (4 pcs)

No

Passenger list (if needed) (4 pcs)

General Declaration – arrival-departure (4 pcs)

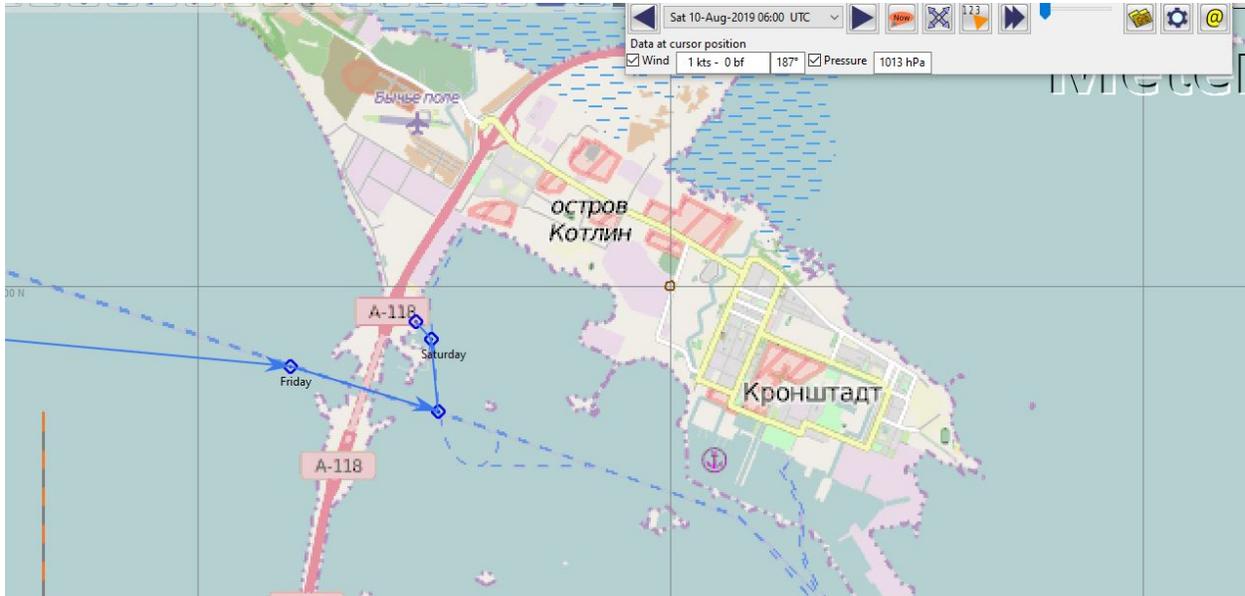
Passenger customs declaration – arrival-departure (2 pcs)

Yacht’s Register document (copy, 2 pcs)

Skiper’s license (copy, 2 pcs)

Document certifying the owner (copy, 2 pcs)





Saturday, August 10, 2019 land in Kronstadt, light winds 11 days out of Helsingor.



Enjoying our first day in Russia.



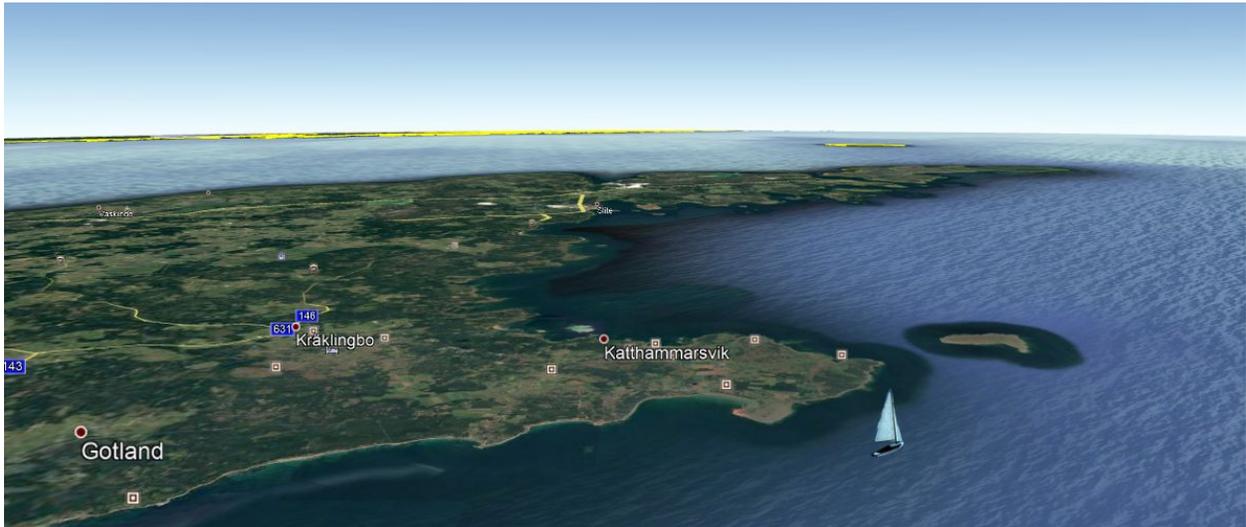
This a view looking west with the Kronstadt complex.



Kronstadt in evening light. We arrived in the morning took a left and docked in a little harbor. Strange not to have pleasure slips.



Arriving Kronstadt Saturday. Here, is the sunset of the long voyage.

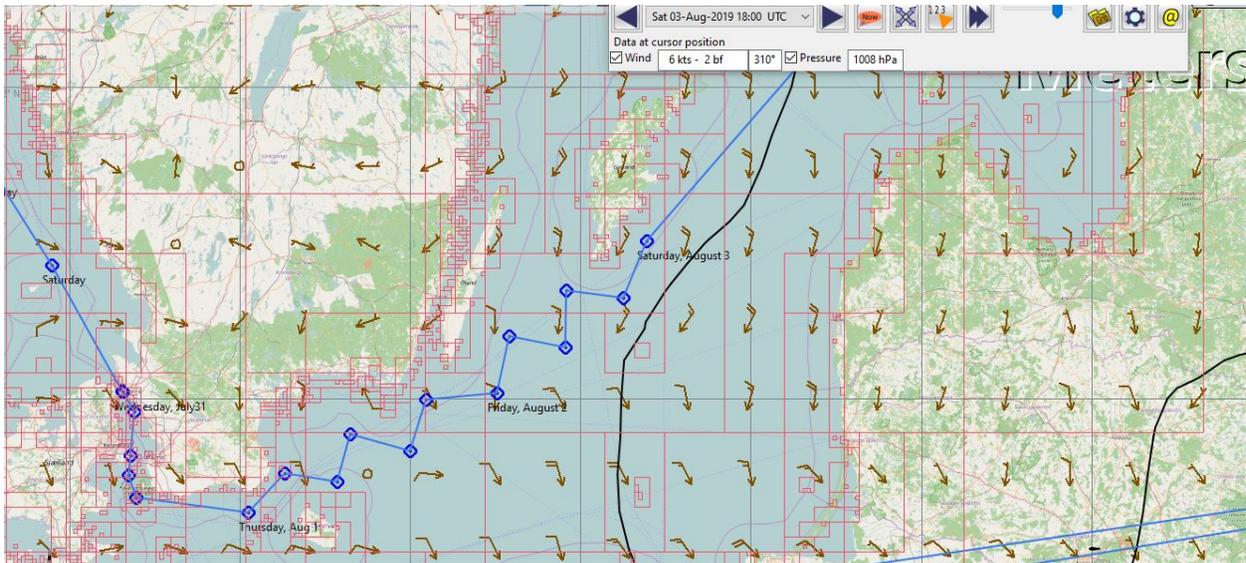


ETA Kronstadt Saturday, August 10, 2019.



SailAway looks good. Light variable winds, adjusting sails constantly. Here just off Gotland

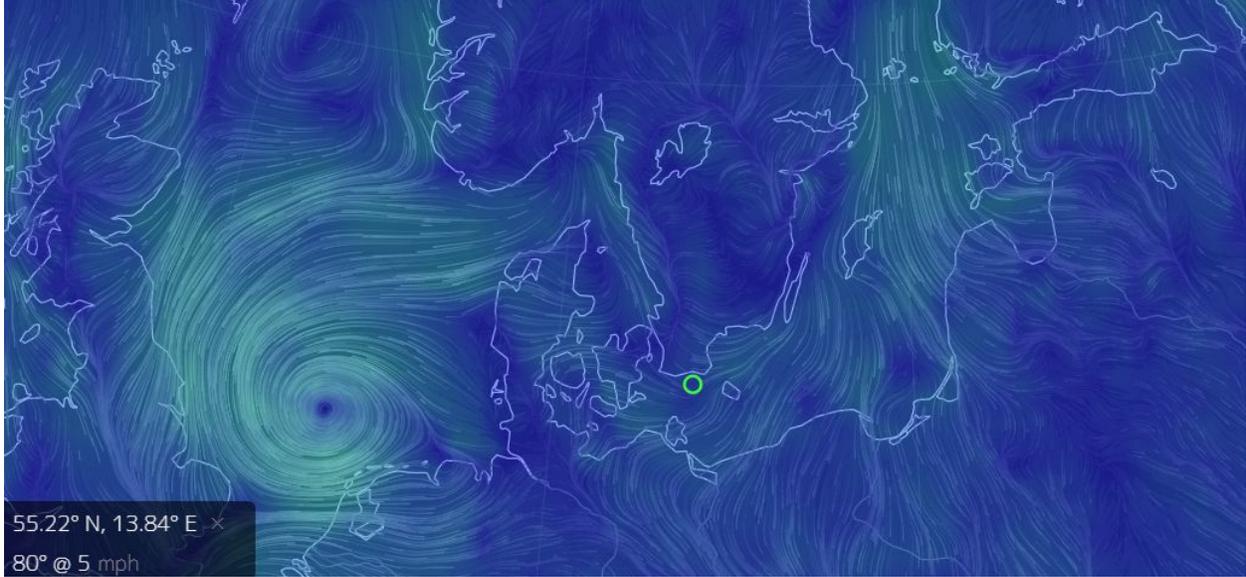
Saturday, August 3, 2019 Tacking making 45



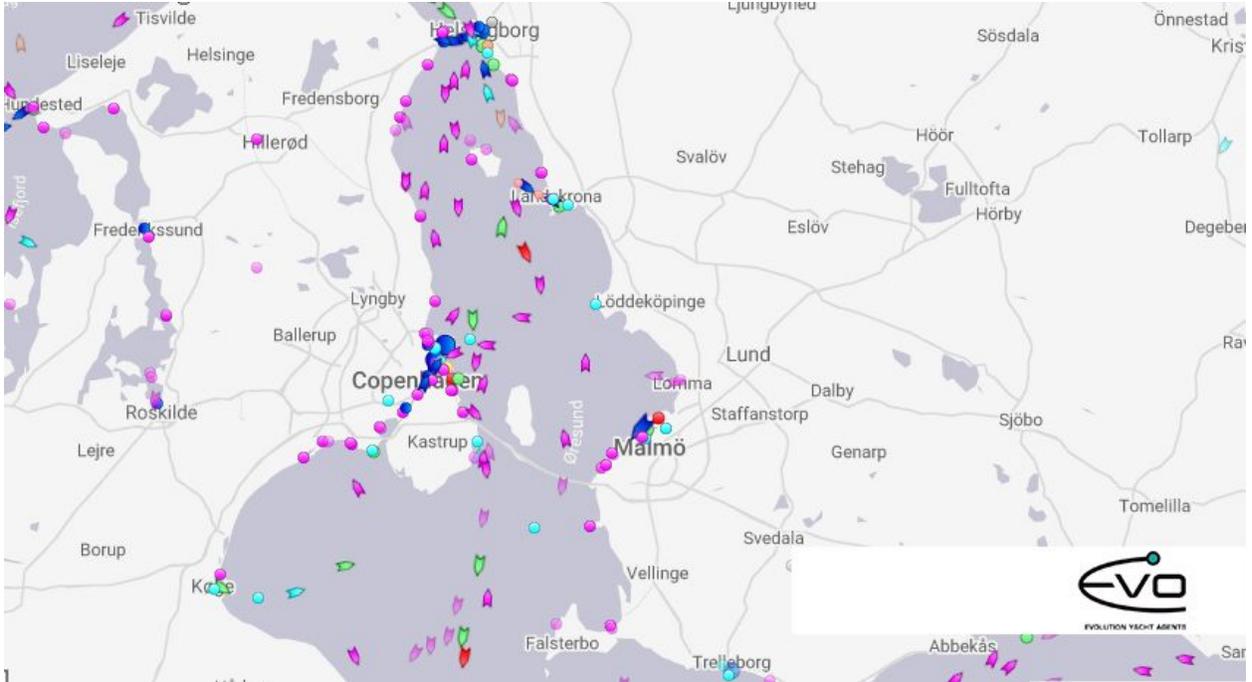
nm good everyday.



SailAway looks accurate, lots of tacking.



Thursday, August 1 5mph winds on the nose, lots of tacking, north winds for the next several days, 61° F



Wednesday, July 31, leaving Helsingør for Kronstadt, Russia just off Saint Petersburg. All the purple boats are pleasure boats.



Helsingør, Denmark
 Helsingør Marina
<https://www.marinaguide.dk/helsingoer-marina/om-havnen/>
NORDHAVNEN@HELSINGOR.DK

190731 sent email

Zeynep Karatas <zka02@helsingor.dk>

Hi Tom

Our price is for boat up to 10 meter is 4.500 DK KR. If you pay in advance of a month the price will be 2700,00 DK KR.

For a boat up to 12 meter is the price 5400,00 DK KR/ if you pay in advance of a month the price will be 3240,00 DK KR.

Boat up to 15 meter will be 6600,00 Dk KR. or 3960,00 DK KR.

All prices are per month.

Zeynep Karatas

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Tom's response

Thank you for your quick response.

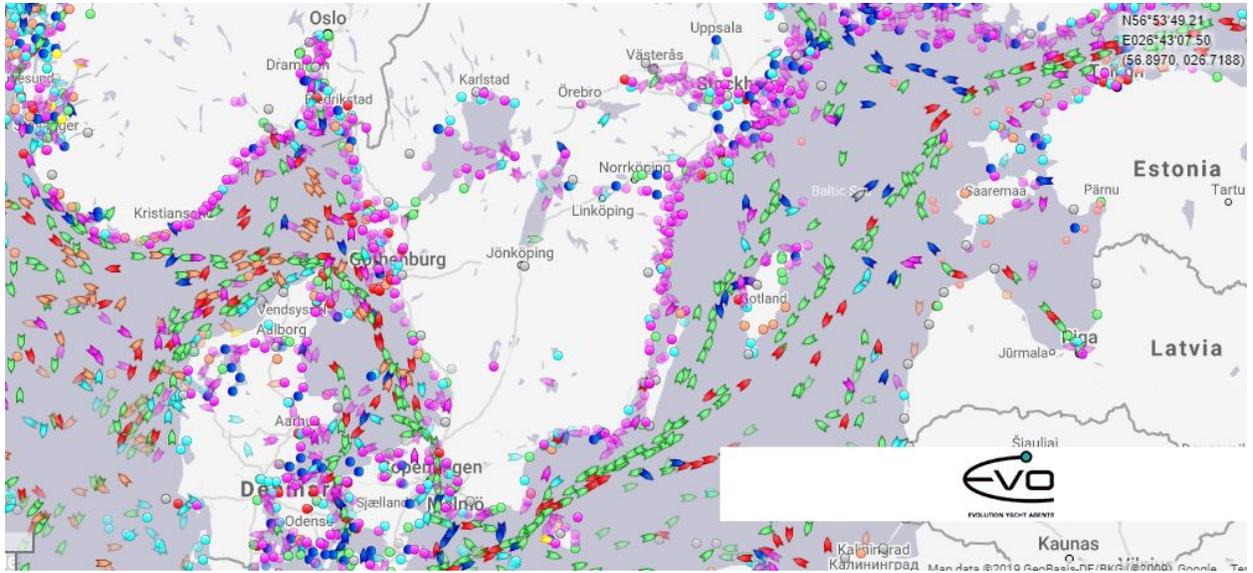
We will be spending three days at your magnificent marina. I hope your have transient slips.

This is our trip:

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Sailing the length of Lake Erie several times in 2020 to trial the boat.

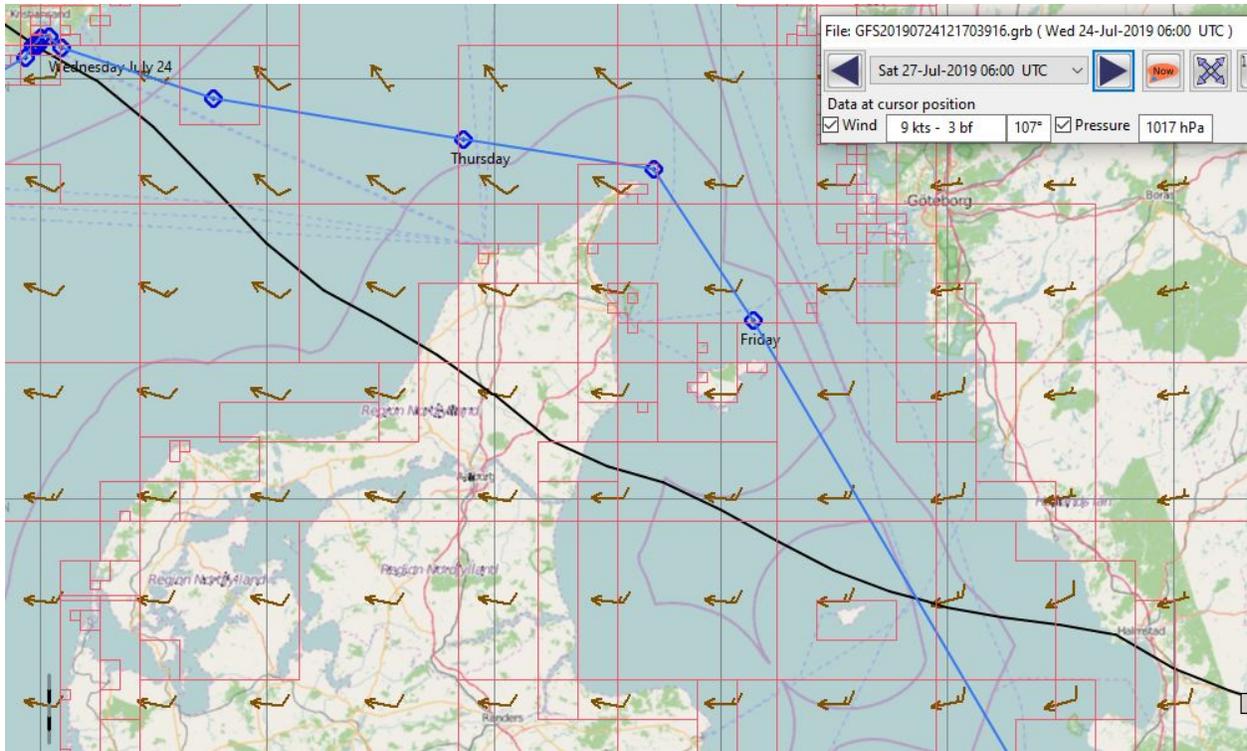
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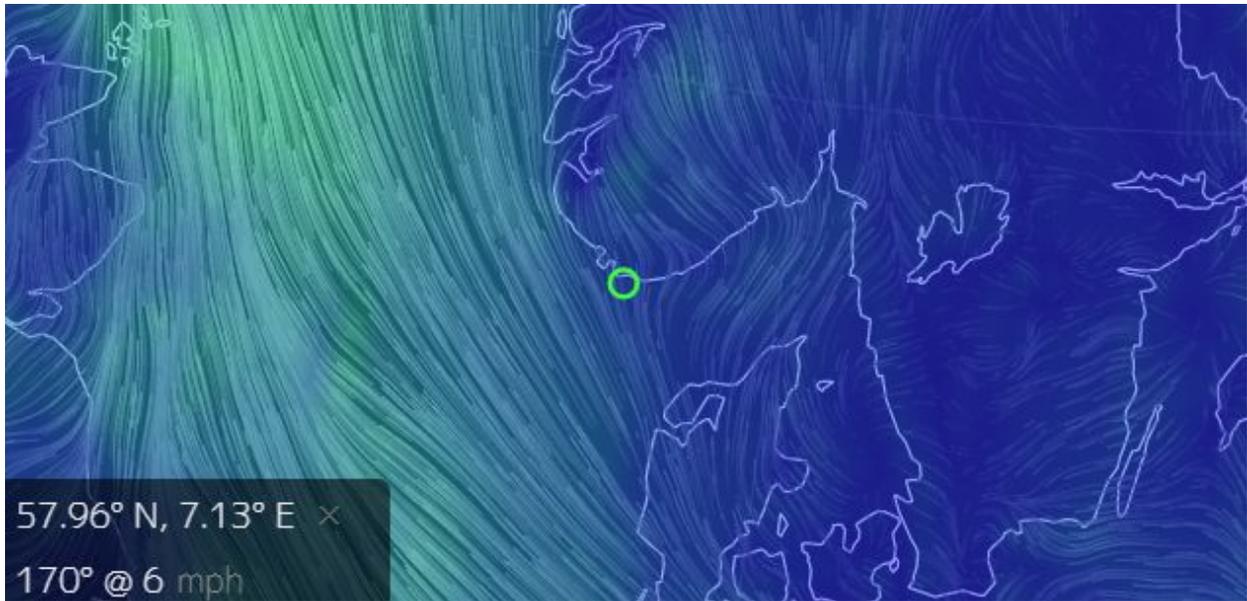
Purple are pleasure boats.



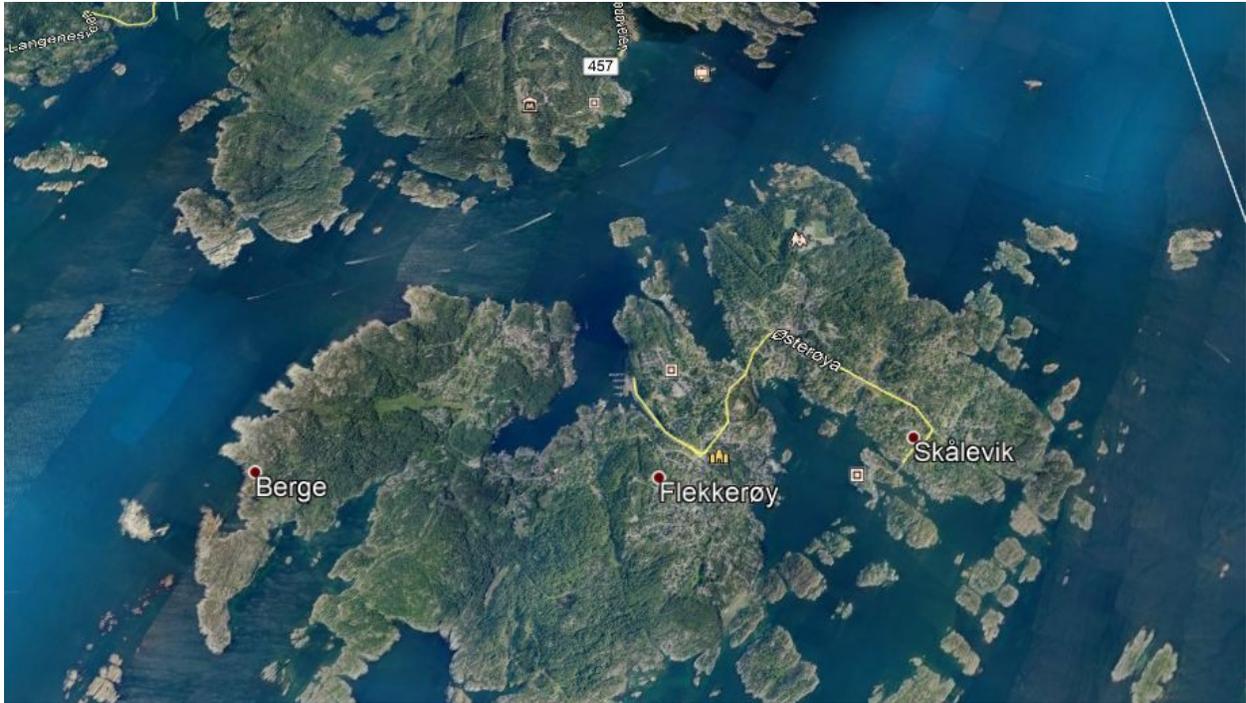
Saturday, light sailing till Sunday Morning



Thursday, July 25, 70 miles made good, tacking in light wind, partly cloudy, 87°



Wednesday, July 24, 2019 leave Flekkeroy, Norway, 200nm to Helsingør, Denmark.

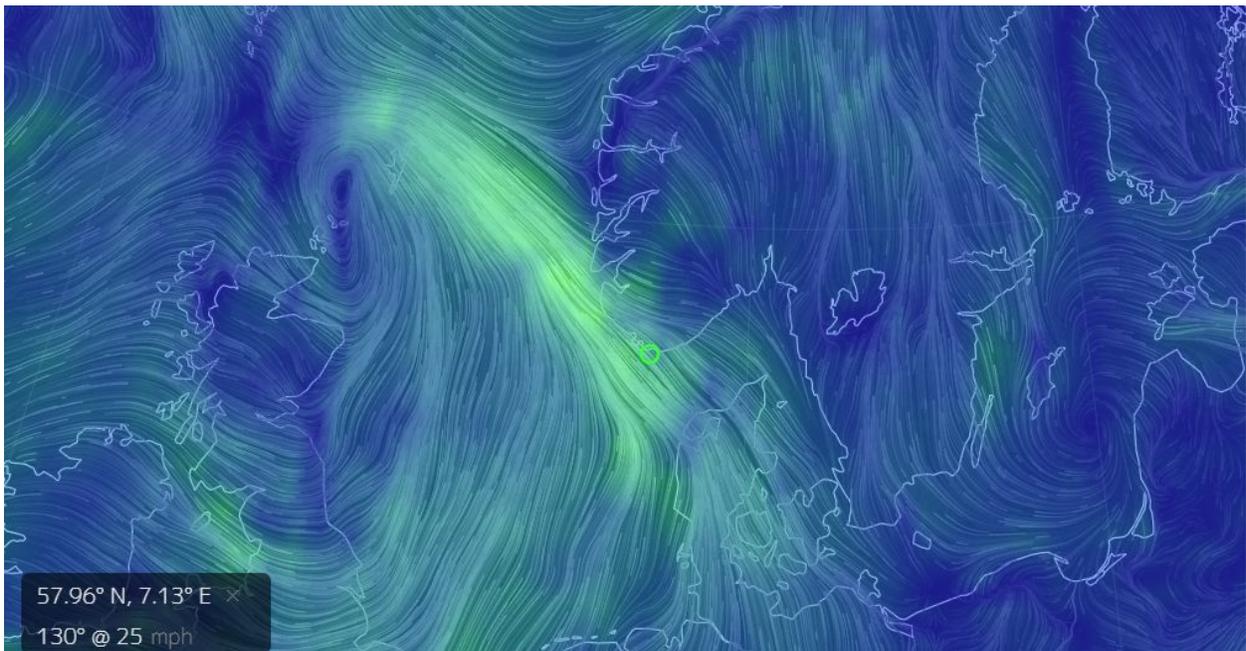


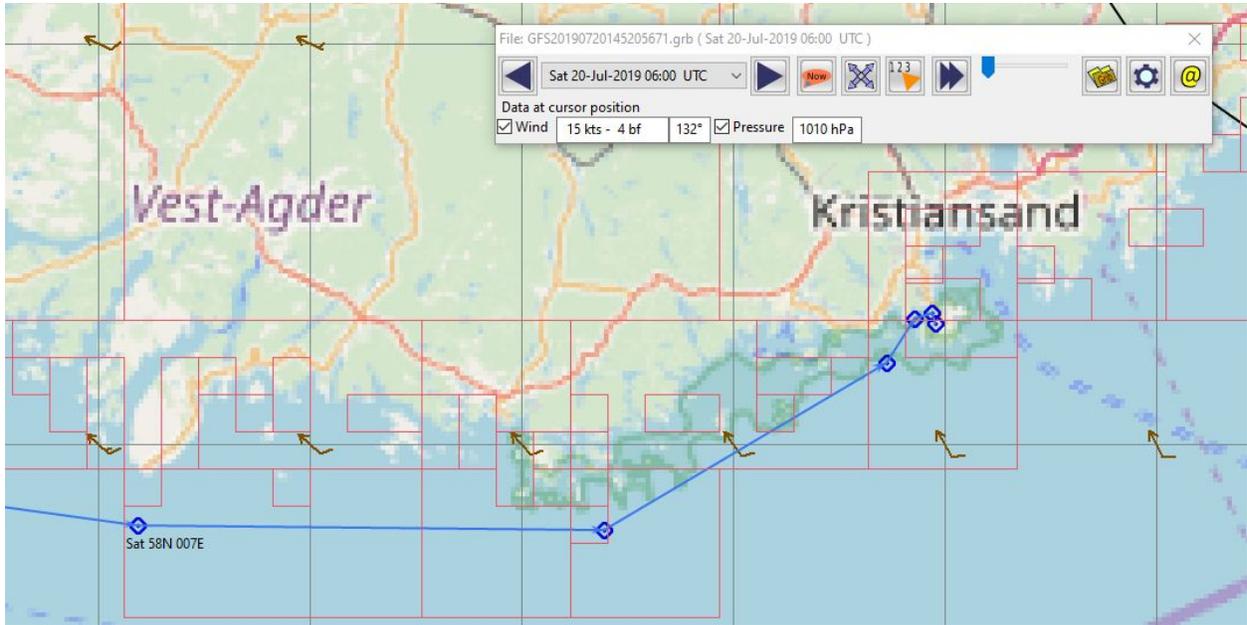
Sunday, July 21 Arrive in Flekkerøy, Norway

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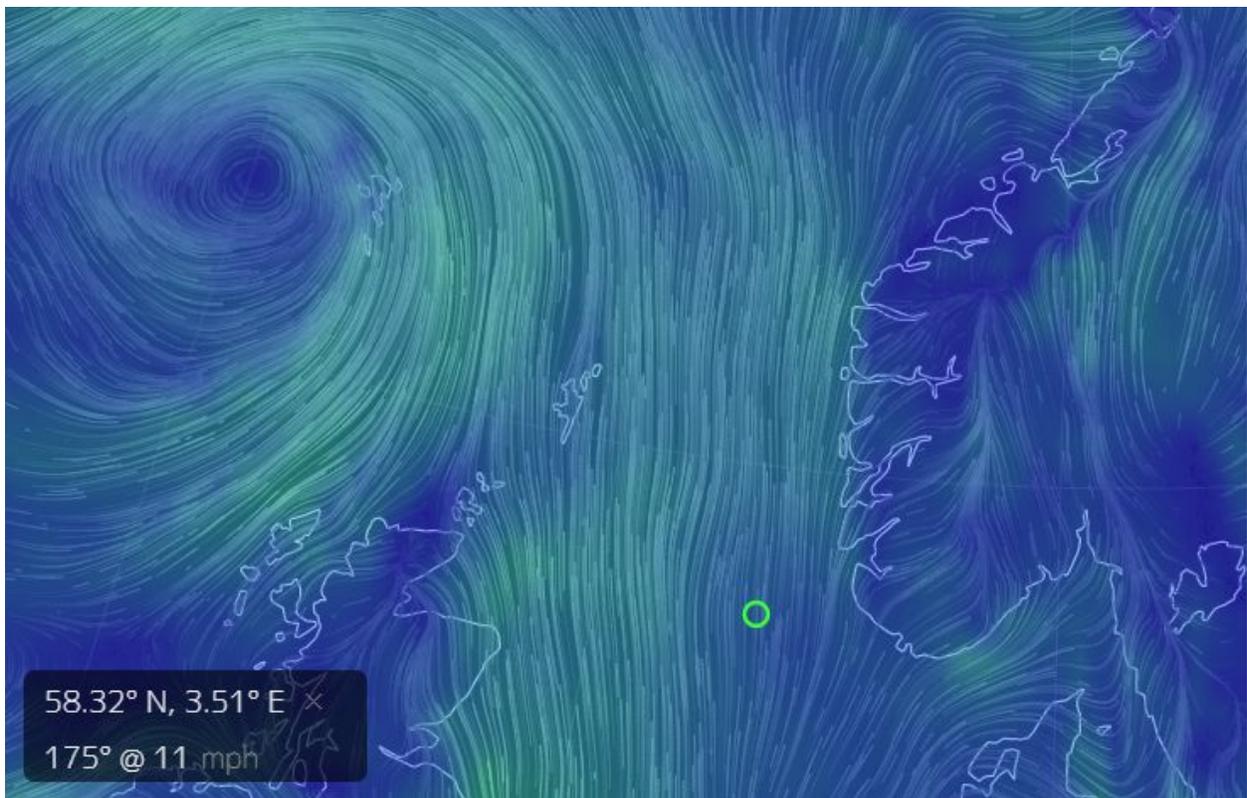
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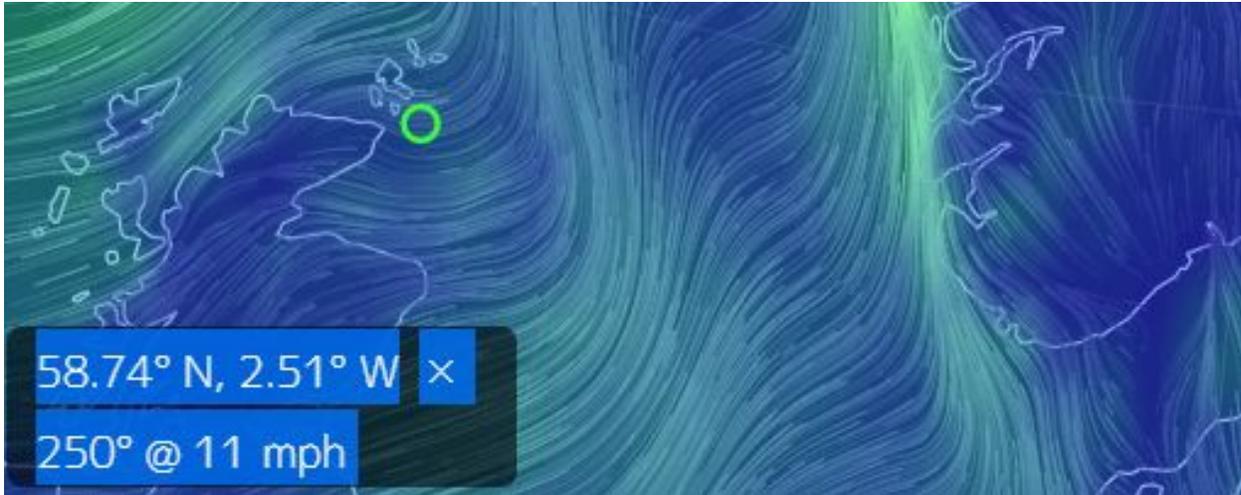




Sat 58N 007E Wind on the nose, adjusting sail all day in hopes of a Sunday morning arrival

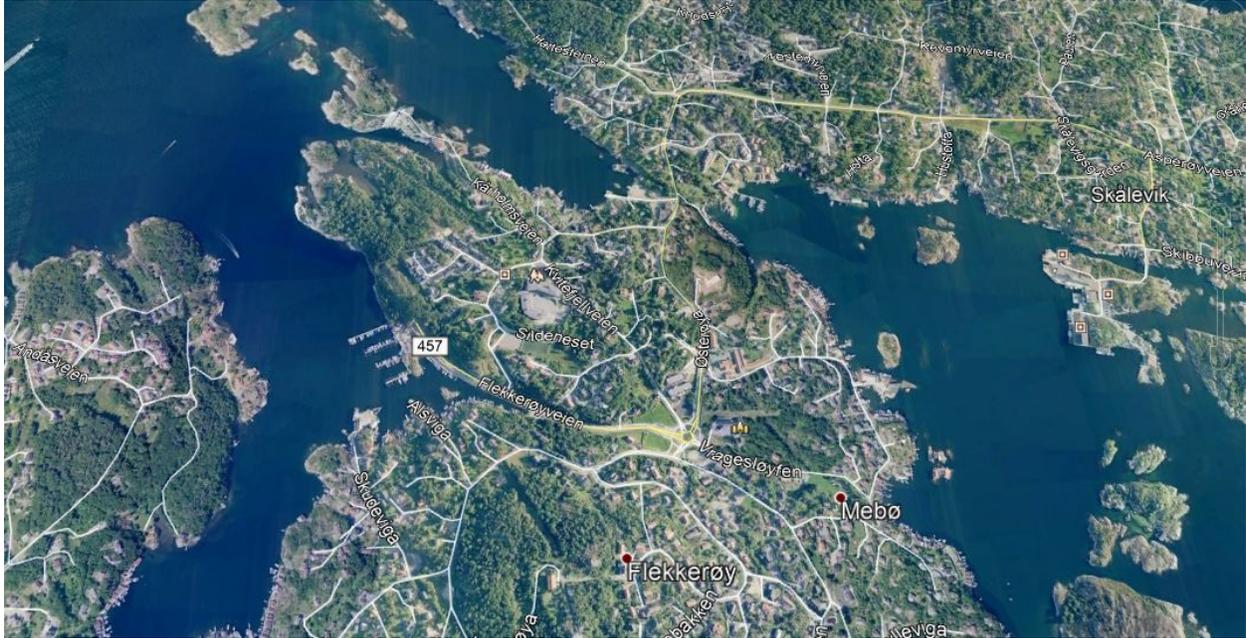


Fri 58N 004E



Thurs July 18





Tuesday, July 16 leave for Fleckro, Norway at the mouth of Khristiansand Norway. 8kts wind 160°,

From Stromness, Scotland, our first port of call in Europe

On Thu, May 16, 2019 at 11:53 AM Michael Cooper <2mikecoop@gmail.com> wrote:
Hi ,

I have received your question, however unsure about a couple of things:
Do you intend to sail direct from Boston to Orkney Islands, or do you have a stop-over?
Will there be more than one person on board?

You ask if anyone has done this before...: There have been many yachts sailed across to the UK from America, however not very many direct to Orkney and even fewer on a boat 32' or less... I do however know a few who have done this, recently, my earliest recollection was the yacht "Westray" (39' Concordia) in 1969. This boat was owned by Mr McNary who lived in North Falmouth MA...just north of Boston!

If you need any help/information please do not hesitate to ask.

Later follow up email:

This sounds very exciting and I hope you can make arrangements to make it happen. The North Sea is very unforgiving in winter, however from May until September it should pose no problem if you wait for the weather window. 48-55 hours would be an average from here to Norway.

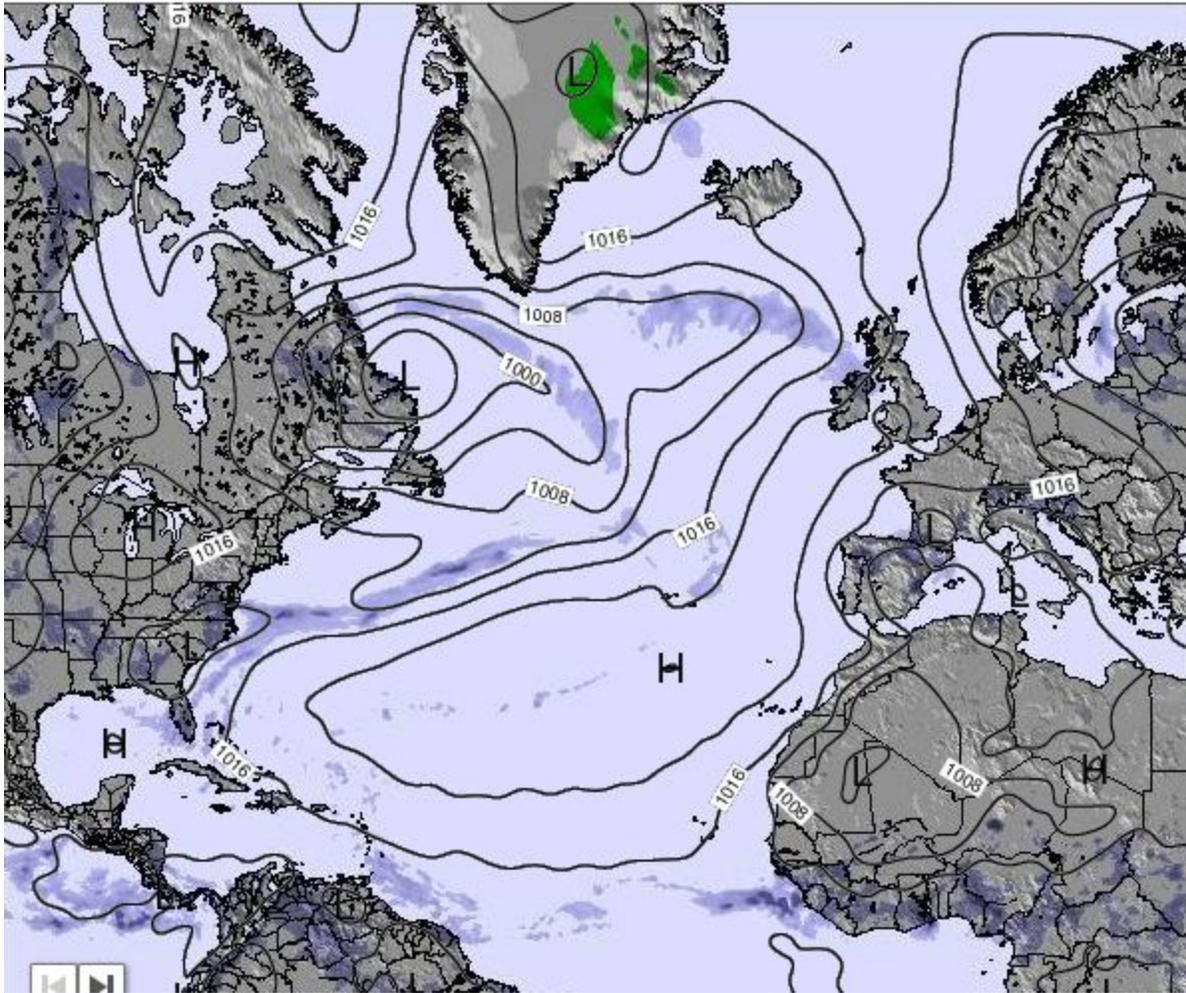
Orkney is a very good stop over (two whisky distilleries and three gin distilleries). Please do not hesitate to discuss further as I have sailed to Norway a number of times and will be happy to assist.
Best regards, Michael Cooper

Thur July 10 arrive in Stromness
Wed July 9



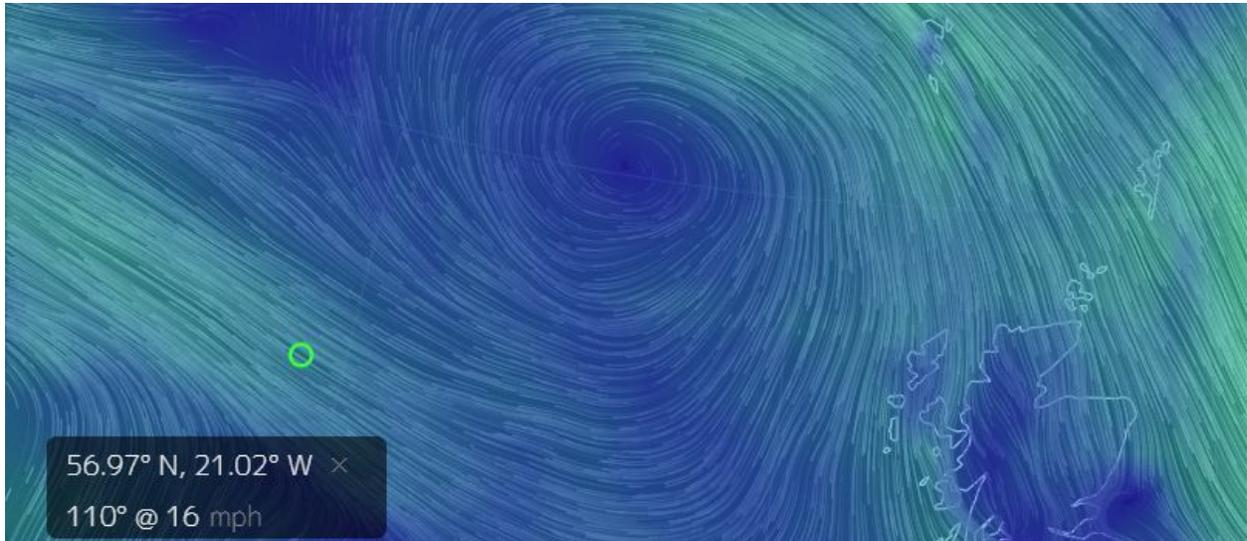
Tues July 8 59N 007W, Cloudy, 54°, No Rain

Precipitation for 3 hrs ending Monday 08 Jul at 12pm AZOST



Mon July 58N 12W, rain, Temp 50°, two days to go





Sat July 6 57N 21W 4 days out, course 81°, Wind 10kts 121°



Sailing into Scotland. 21 days out from Boston. 5 more days to go to Stromness, Orkney. Taking JQA route to Russia in 1809.

Screen Video by SailAway. Writing a virtual blog now of the trip in 2021. The last was 2017. In 2018 I sailed 6,000nm.

Arriving with a head wind but light and the crew loved the trip, long days at sea. The weather is accurate. Waves here are ahead 7 ft with 1,000 ft peaks. I see no cross wave, which should be there. Still struggling.

Here we see ahead into the night. Headwind, falling off to get some speed off the rum line.

Composing for tomorrow.

This is the size of the Bayfield 32': we take to Russia in 2021 from Lake Erie. The cockpit is short, a cutter rig. The weather is accurate. Crew has eaten canned vegetables and meat plus pasta, rice & flour. 50° every day with clouds. We'd be lucky to get a night to see 80 planes flying back and forth with the Milky Way.

We're approaching the fishing grounds and will change watches to round the clock. Three days out we switched to no watch from 8 to 4.

The crew is my twin brother and the owner. We are his transient captains, taking the boat from Lake Erie to Russia and back. These long voyages are meditation. Every book is read, every note taken.

The waves seem to be coming from just left. I wonder if it's raining. More than likely overcast. We'd never have our flag flying on the stern. That's for harbor. Our flags are clubs flags and letter codes.

We came over light. 40 gals fuel.

tomlohre.com

Trying to capture the spray from the bow. I saw it earlier.

Still trying to paint this painting. Maybe should go to another part of the world with high seas and the sun is setting.



Teddy Moore Studies Lake in Russia

First sentence of the:

SUMMARY AND CONCLUSIONS

If our stratigraphic model is correct, both the north and central basins of Lake Baikal formed as half grabens at approximately the same time.

Sedimentation and subsidence patterns in the central and north basins of Lake Baikal from seismic stratigraphy

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On Tue, Jul 2, 2019 at 5:10 PM Theodore Moore <tedmoore@umich.edu> wrote:

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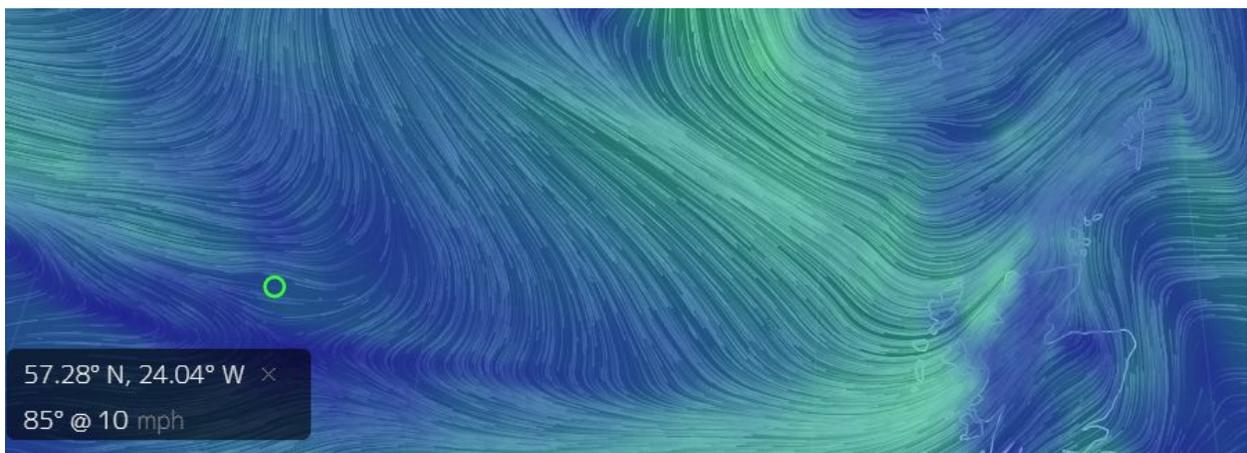
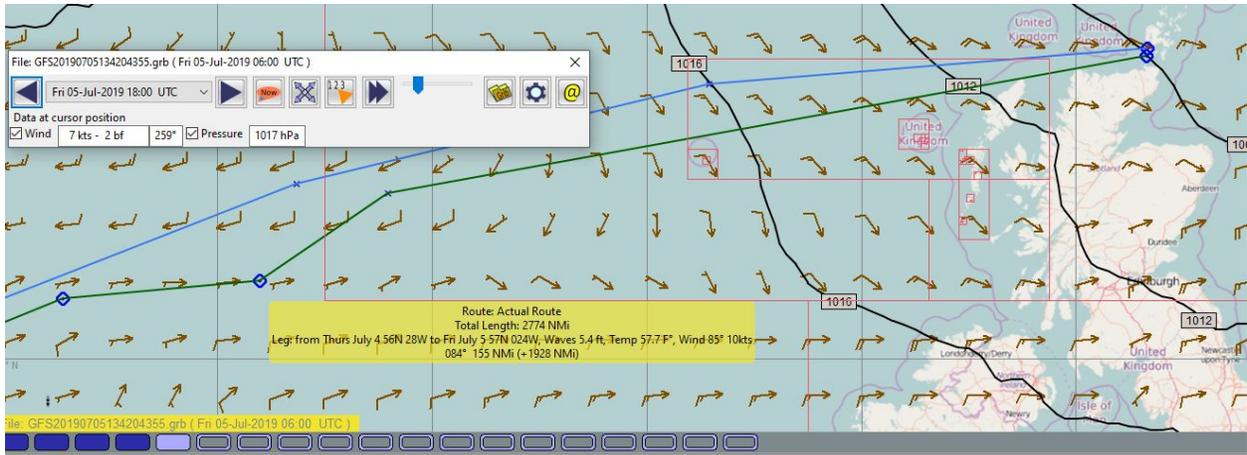
Sounds really exciting - and ambitious. I did study seismic data from Lake Baikal, but I never sailed on it. It is a rift lake, much like the African rift lakes, but not as active. It is big! about the same water volume as all the Great Lakes put together. It was never glaciated as the Great Lakes were and is likely to be considerably older than the Great Lakes. It does freeze over in the winter (or at least it use to before global warming)), and they would lay railroad tracks across it once the lake ice was thick enough. As in any large lake or small sea, big, short period wavers can build up quickly. This accounts for many of the wrecks at the bottom of the Great Lakes. On the other hand the waves can die down quickly too.

I have sailed on Lake Michigan and Lake Huron and I know a lot more about their history - at least their history since the last big ice sheet melted back about 14,000 years ago. The water levels in the lakes fluctuated by as much as 120 meters as the ice sheet withdrew. In the summer months when the weather is calm there is a nasty little fly that hatches out of the surface waters of the lakes. It looks like a regular house fly, but has a wicked bite that can penetrate your socks and T-shirt. On the east side of Lake Huron (in Canadian waters) there is the North Channel and Georgian Bay, some of the prettiest country I have ever sailed in.

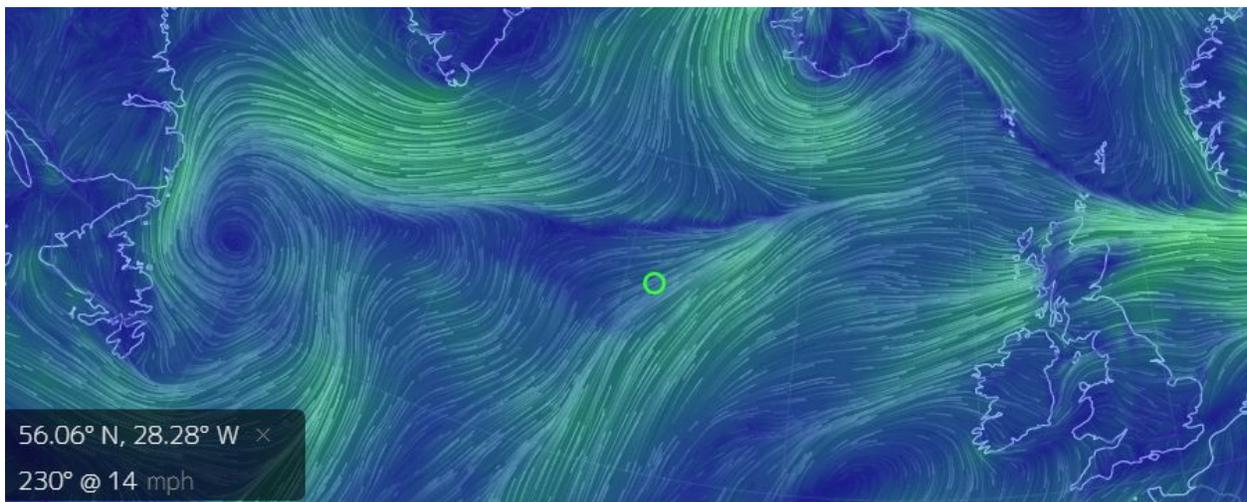
I am usually in my office from 9:30 AM - ~3 PM and my phone number there is 734 763 0202.

Cheers

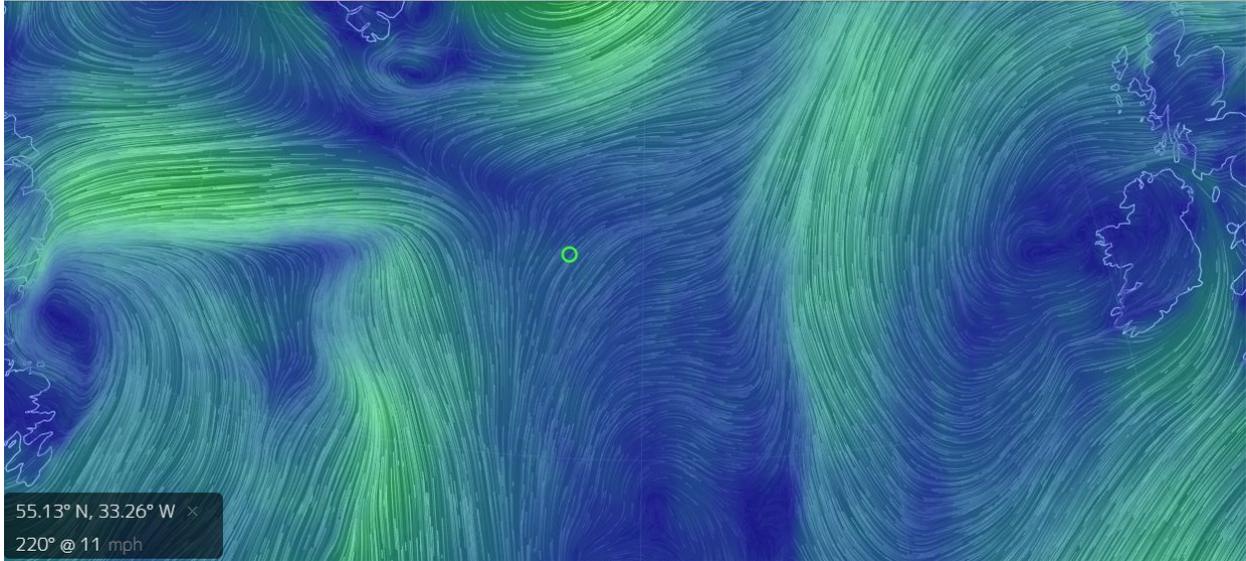
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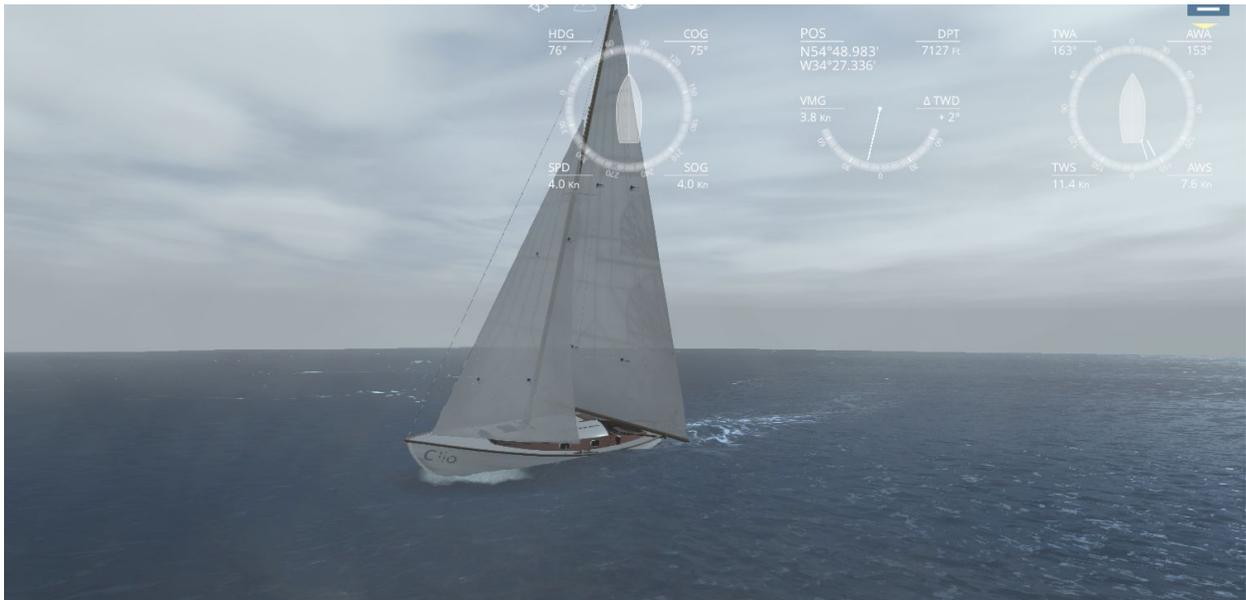
Fri July 5 57N 024W, Waves 5.4 ft, Temp 57.7 F°, Course 90°, first time in a long time a head wind from 10kts 85°



Thurs July 4 56N 28W



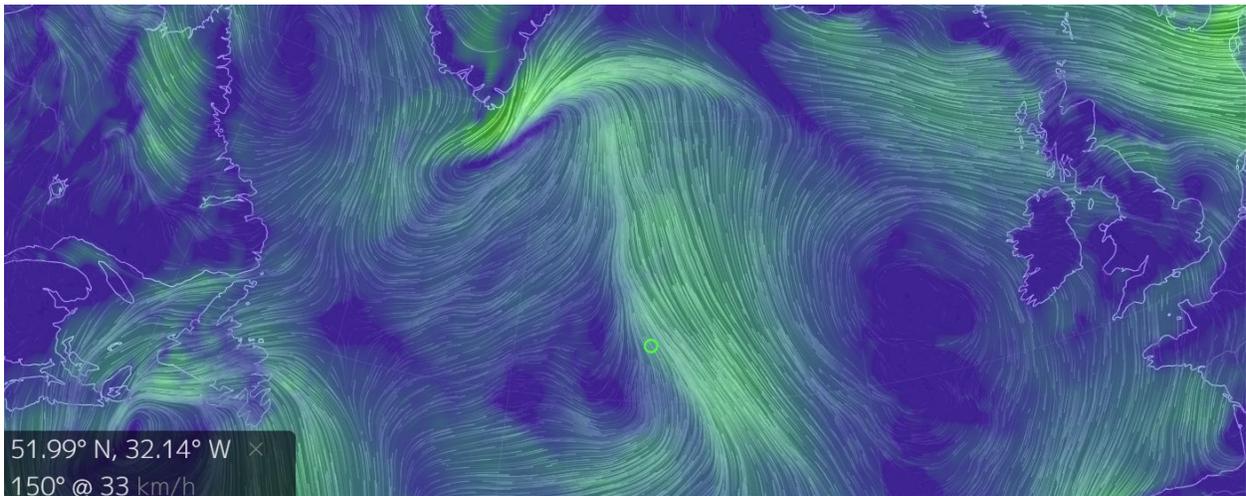
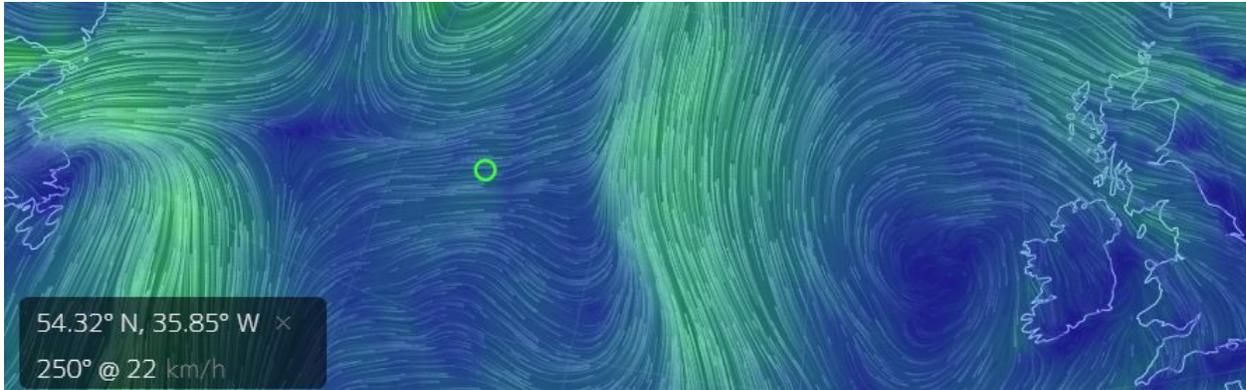
Wed July 3 55N 33W



View from the game SailAway seems like conditions today at sea at our coordinates. It's supposed to have real time weather. 50° air temp, cloudy.

Halfway to Scotland. Weather has been favorable, as it should be. Getting used to lulls and sitting still in the vast ocean is the toughest part. Most important part is always adjusting sails to get the most out of the wind at the moment. The wind comes from all directions and varies every three hours.

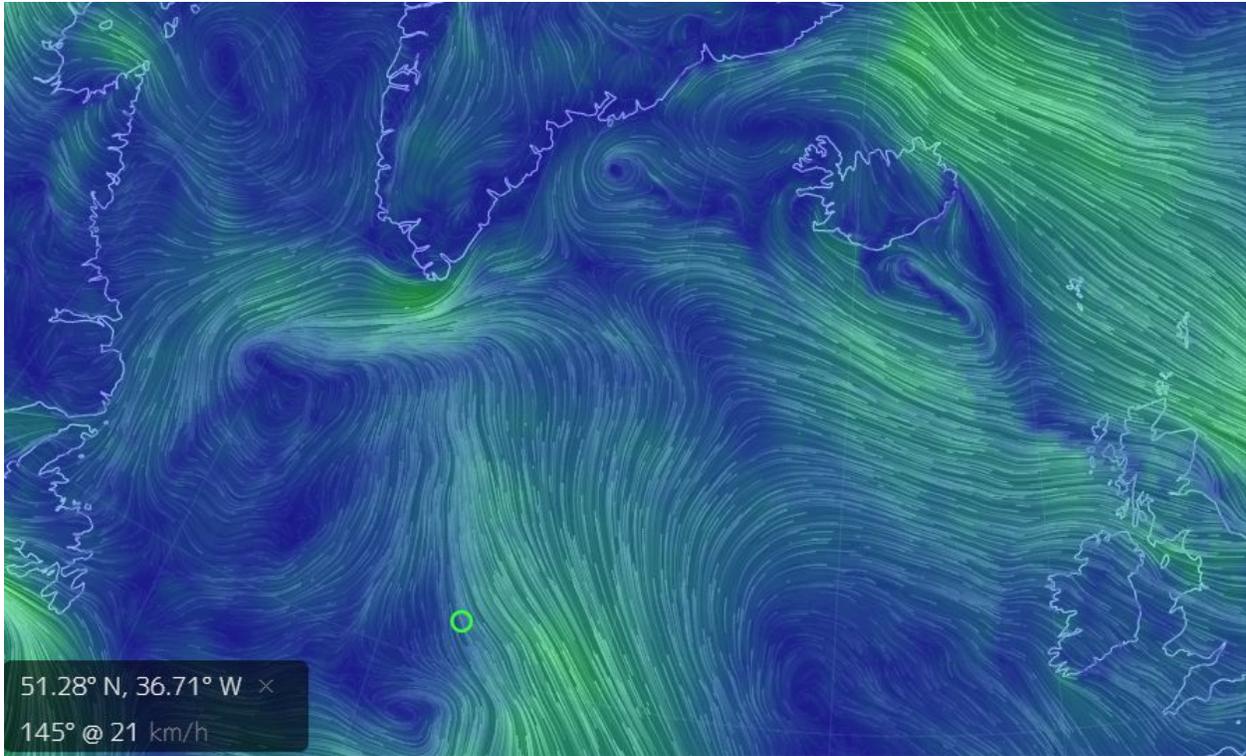
Tue July 2 54 05.6107 N 034 54.5889 W Cloudy Wind 10kts 262° Flying spinnaker



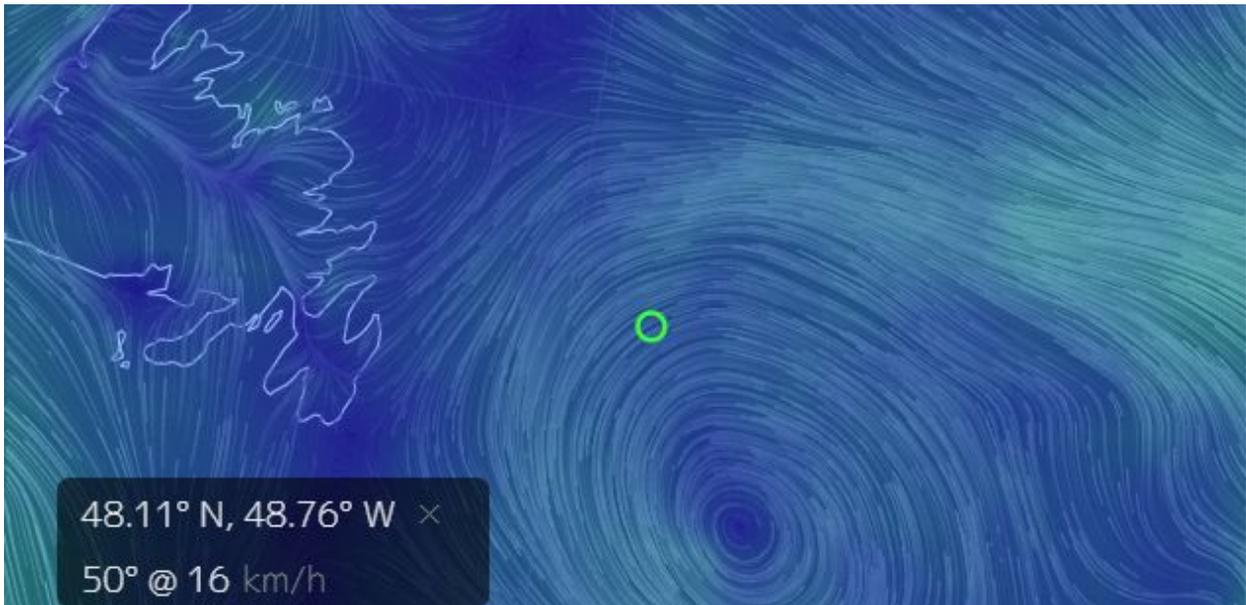
Tues July 2 1am, hull speed, 165nm made good,



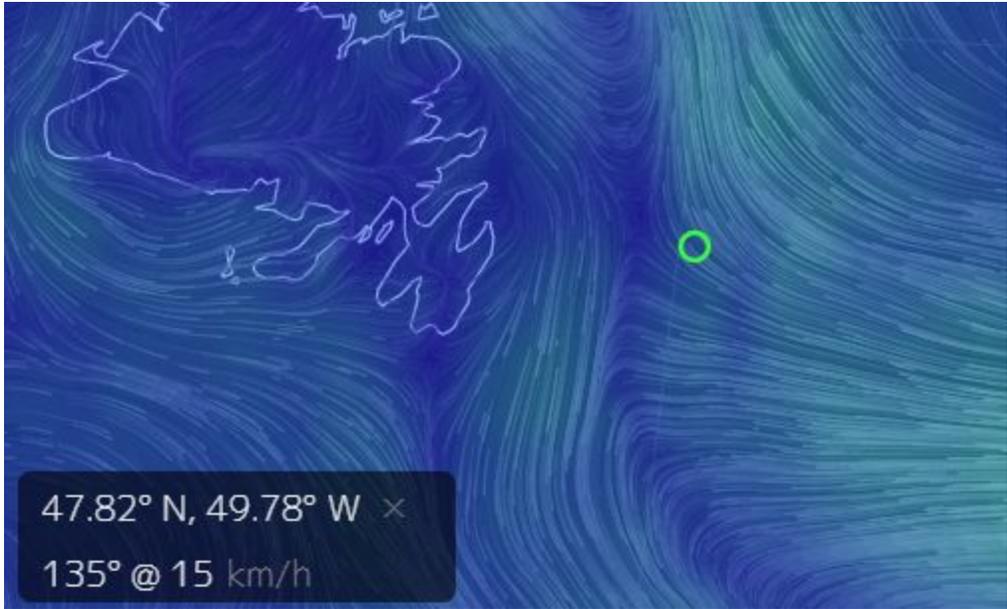
Set our destination to Belfast instead of Stromness. That's the reason for the jog in our path. Best practice is to take the coordinates from the paper charts and enter them into the chart plotter. This avoids such mistakes. Six days out from Newfoundland.



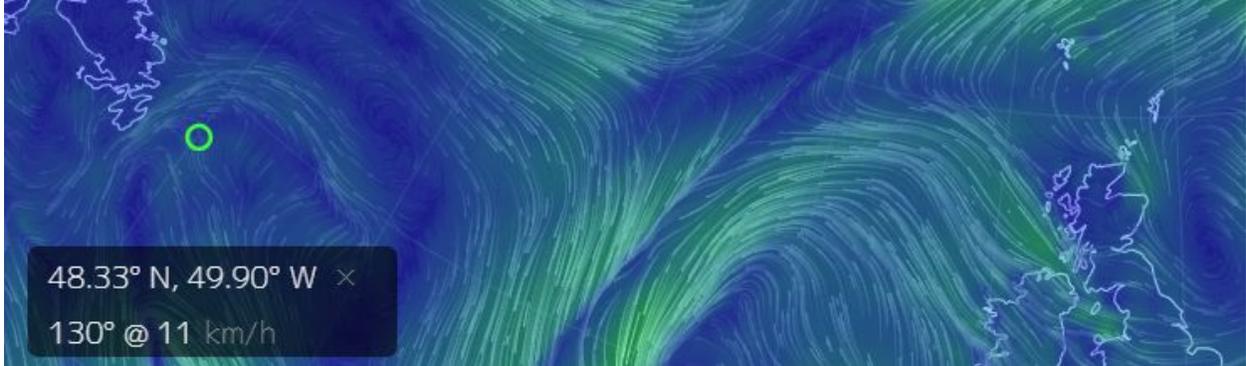
Mon July 1, 51 43.1755 N, 036 50.2035 W Heading north to new rum line.



Sun June 30, Wind 14kts 109°, Close hauled, making hull speed, Temp 50°, good wind for next several days, 156nm with 6.5kts speed



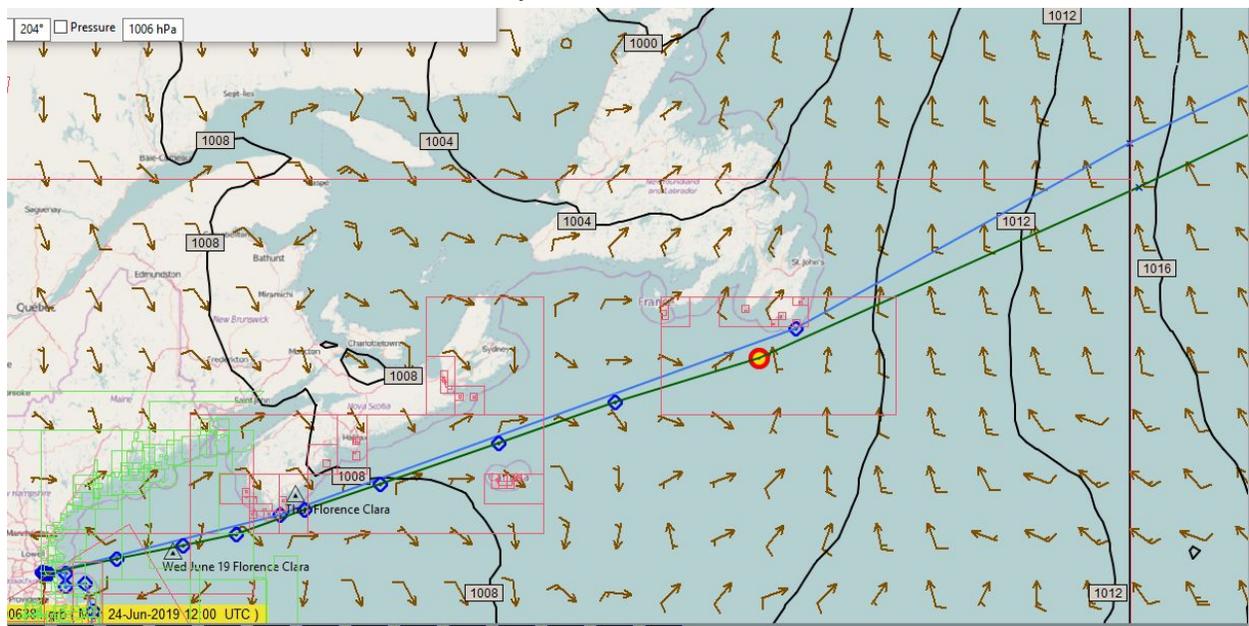
Sat June 29, 100nm made good, Wind 8kts 130°, Cloudy, Starboard tack all day making hull speed



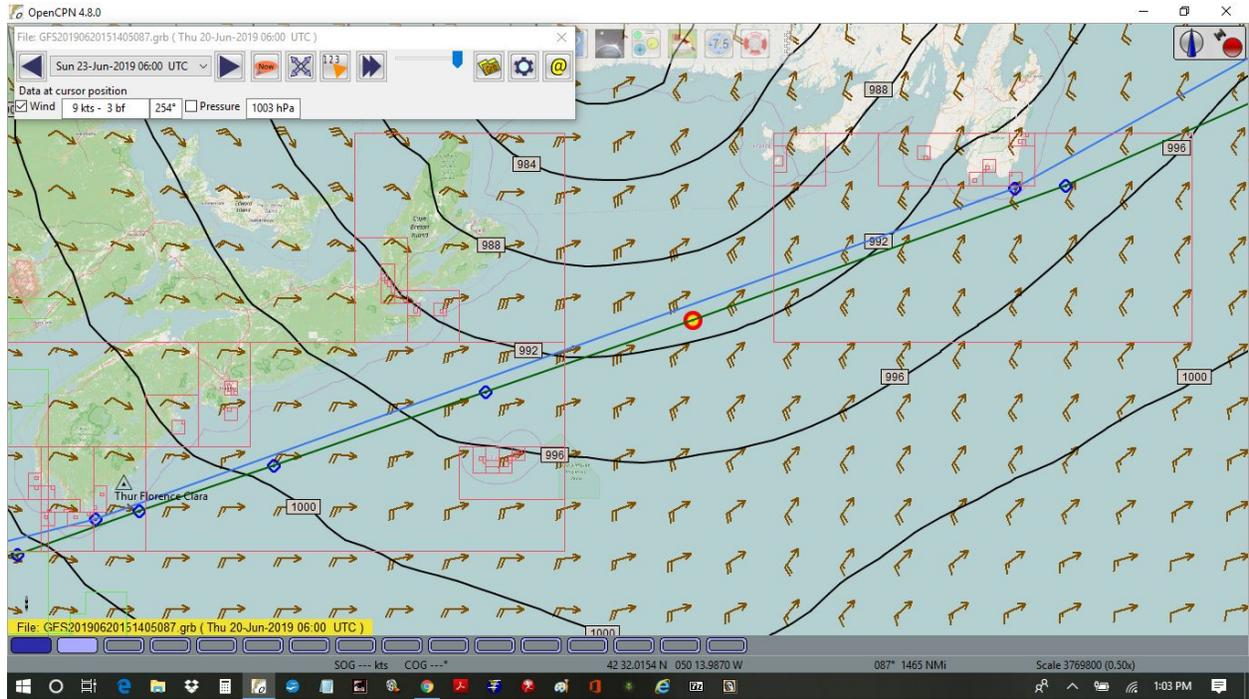
Fri June 28, light winds, 72 nm made good
Thur June 27, light winds, 72 nm made good



Wed June 26, Null Wind 110° 9kts, Clear sky



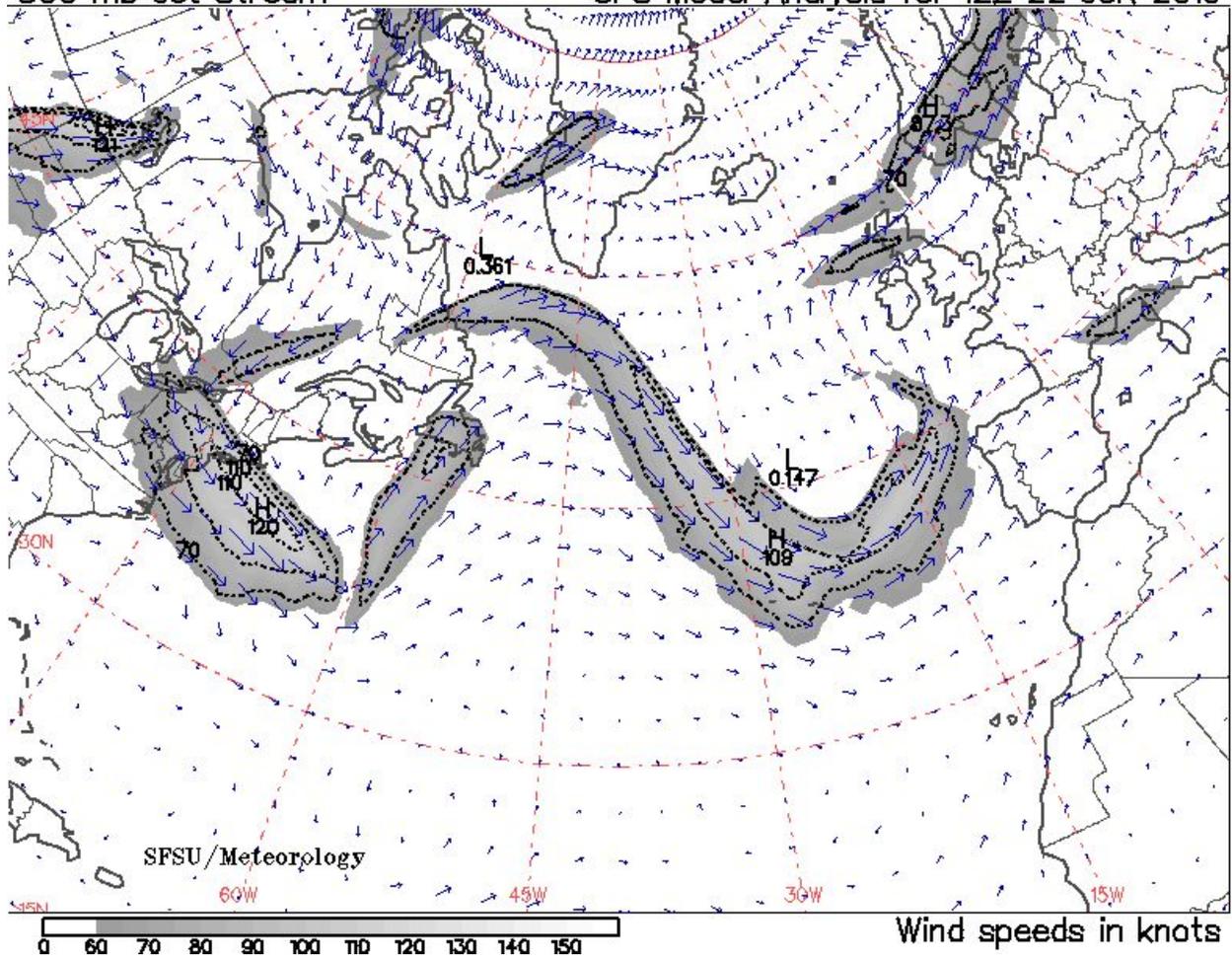
Mon June 24 150nm made good, Starboard tack, Speed 4.5kts

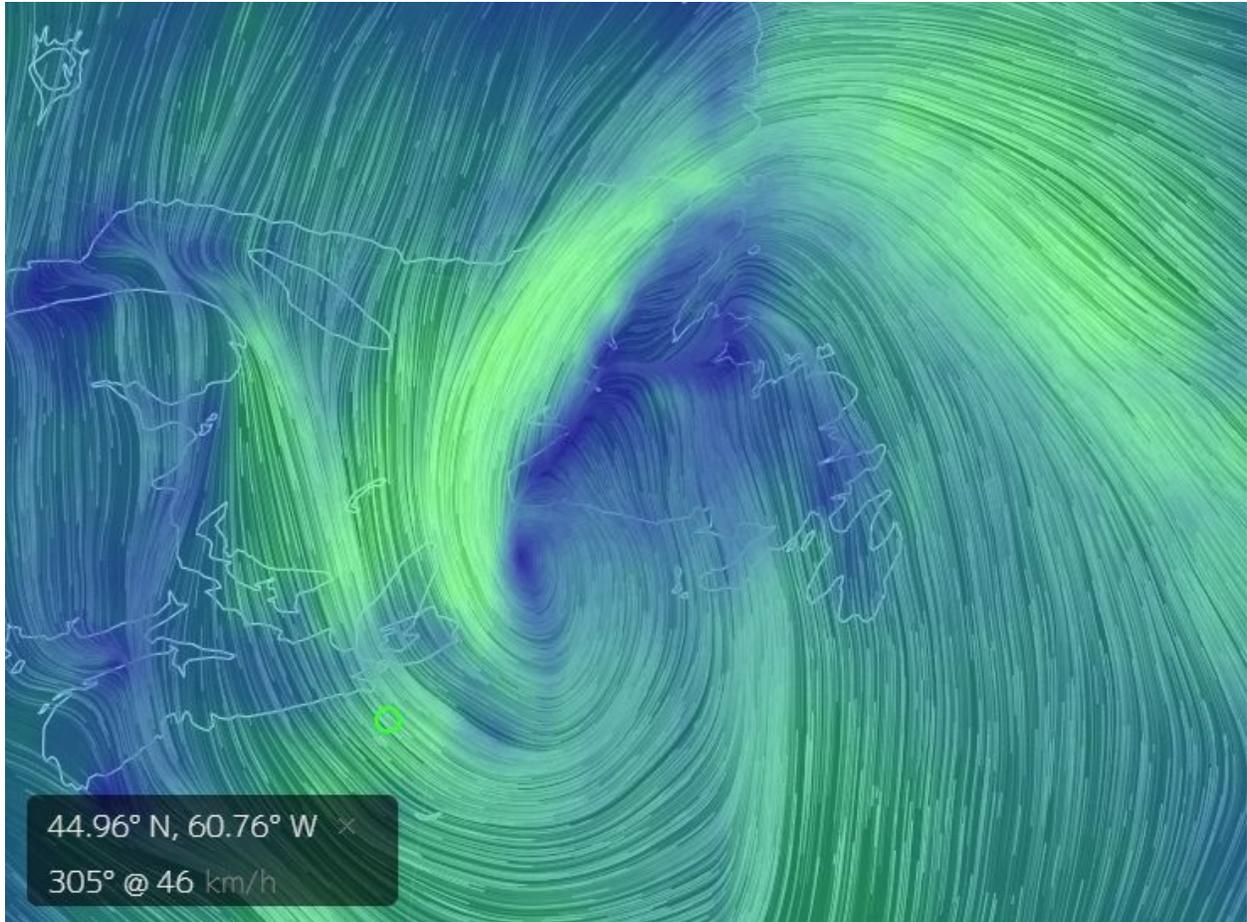


Sun June 23

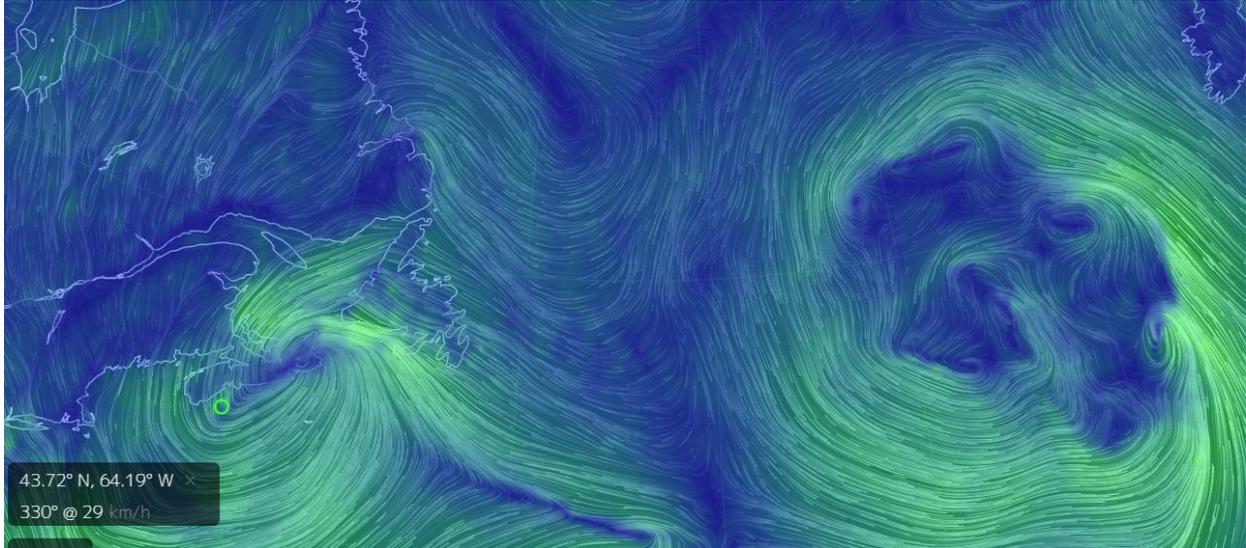
300 mb Jet Stream

GFS Model Analysis for 12Z 22 JUN 2019





Sat June 22, Wind 27kts 268°, Speed 6 kts,
Sailing Florence Clara berthed in Nova Scotia
She's blowing hard here at the marina (15-20 knots) and the boat is rolling, I don't even want to think
about what it's like offshore. I'll be here another day.



Fri June 21 Noon, Wind 18kts 181°, Course 070°, Speed 4.5kts

Friday

.TONIGHT...N to NW winds 10 to 20 kt. Seas 4 to 7 ft. Chance of rain.

.SAT...NW winds 10 to 15 kt, becoming W to NW 10 to 20 kt. Seas 3 to 6 ft.

[Sailing Florence Clara](#)

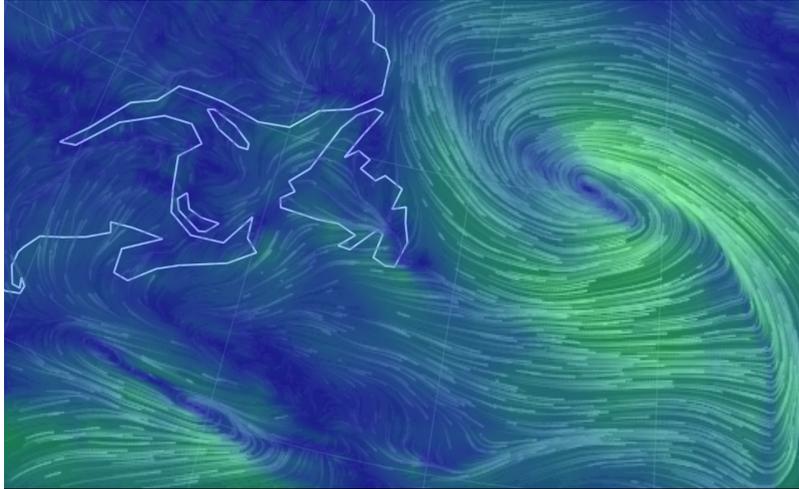
Yesterday at 4:33 PM ·

Just docked at Brooklyn Marina in Queens Nova Scotia near Liverpool NS to clear Canada customs, easy an uneventful, had to motorsail from Stonington CT due to unfavorable or no wind. 72 hours nonstop, about 370 NMs, glad I took the existing 20 gallon tank out and installed a 65 gallon fuel tank, only stopped to get a close up look at a pod of 4 pilot whales and then stops to look at 3 individual sun fish, flat calm here now but calling for a miserable night.

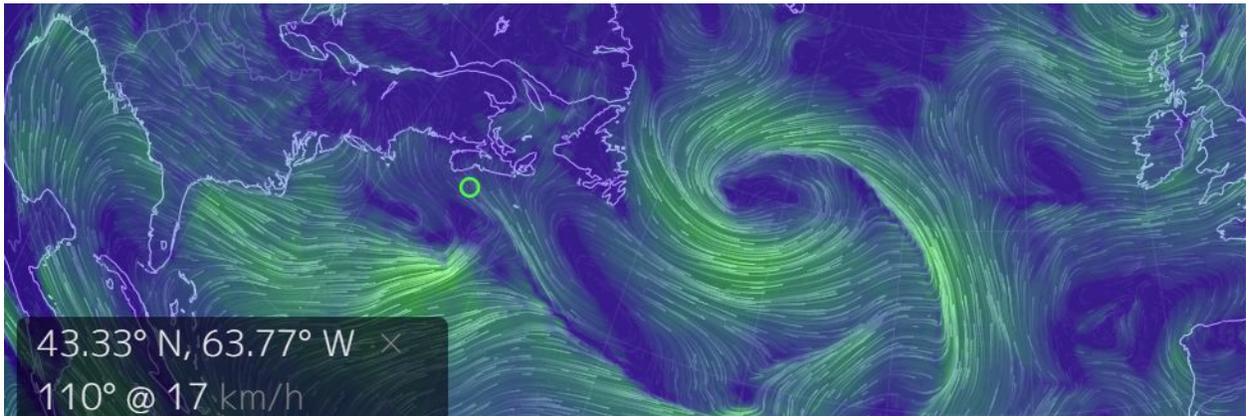
Enjoying Florence Clara a 1983 C&C 40-2 AC

I'll stop typing now, spiced rum is kicking in, good night

Ike



Fri June 21 Noon, light favorable winds, then sustaining following winds to start.



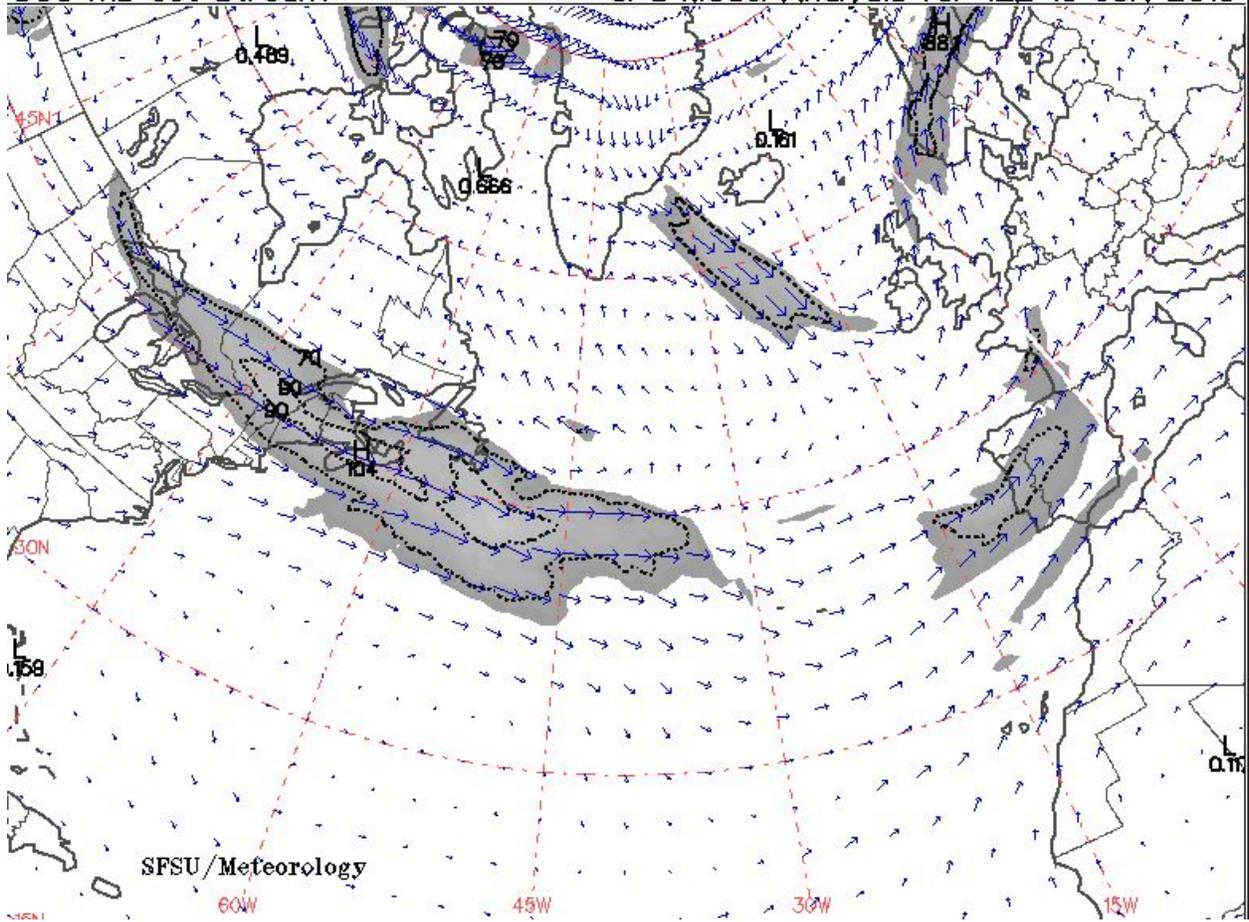
Thur June 20, Wind 8kts 084°, Off Nova Scotia Point, Course 074°, Speed 2 kts, 630nm to Newfoundland Point

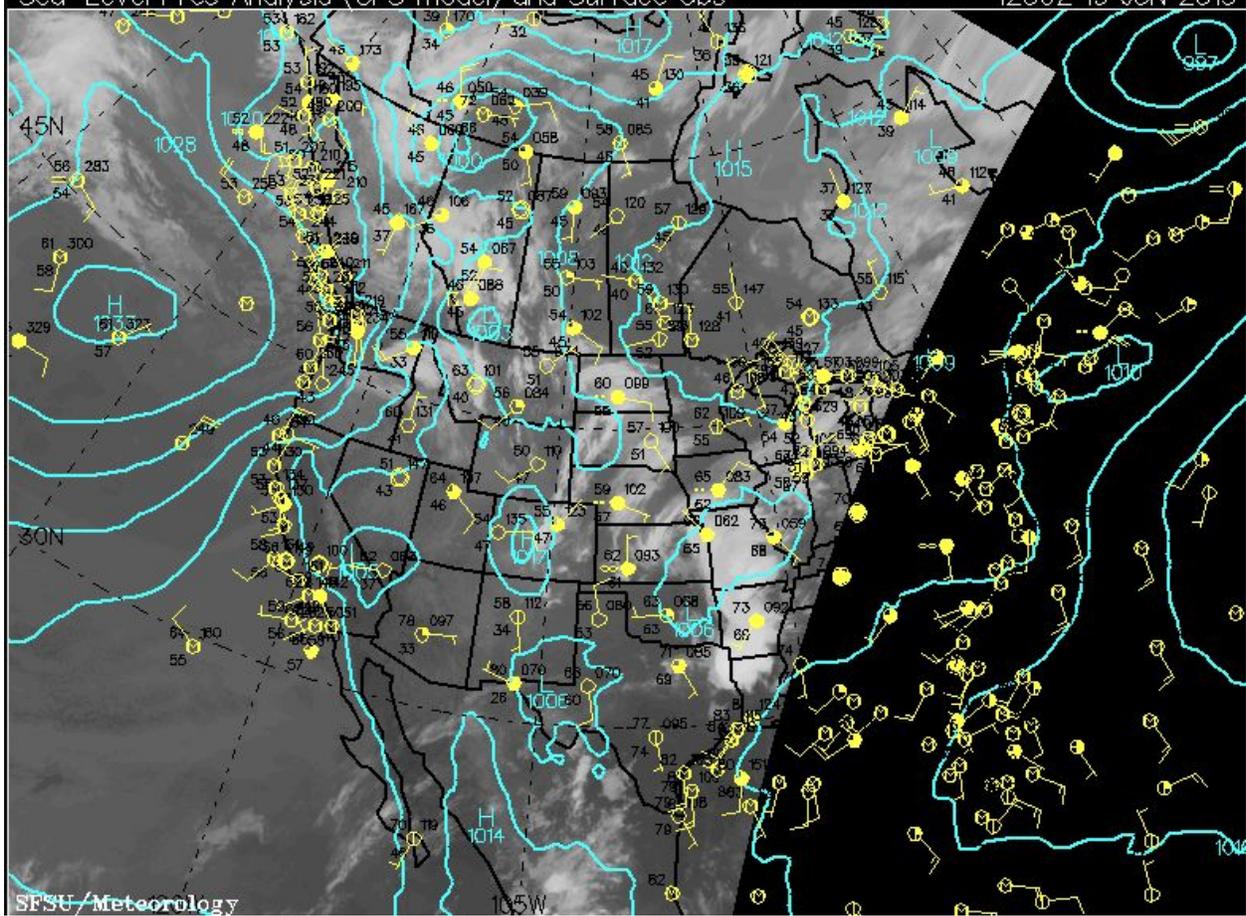
.THU...Variable winds less than 10 kt, becoming S to SE. Seas 2 to 4 ft.

.THU NIGHT...SE winds 5 to 15 kt, increasing to 10 to 20 kt. Seas 2 to 3 ft.

300 mb Jet Stream

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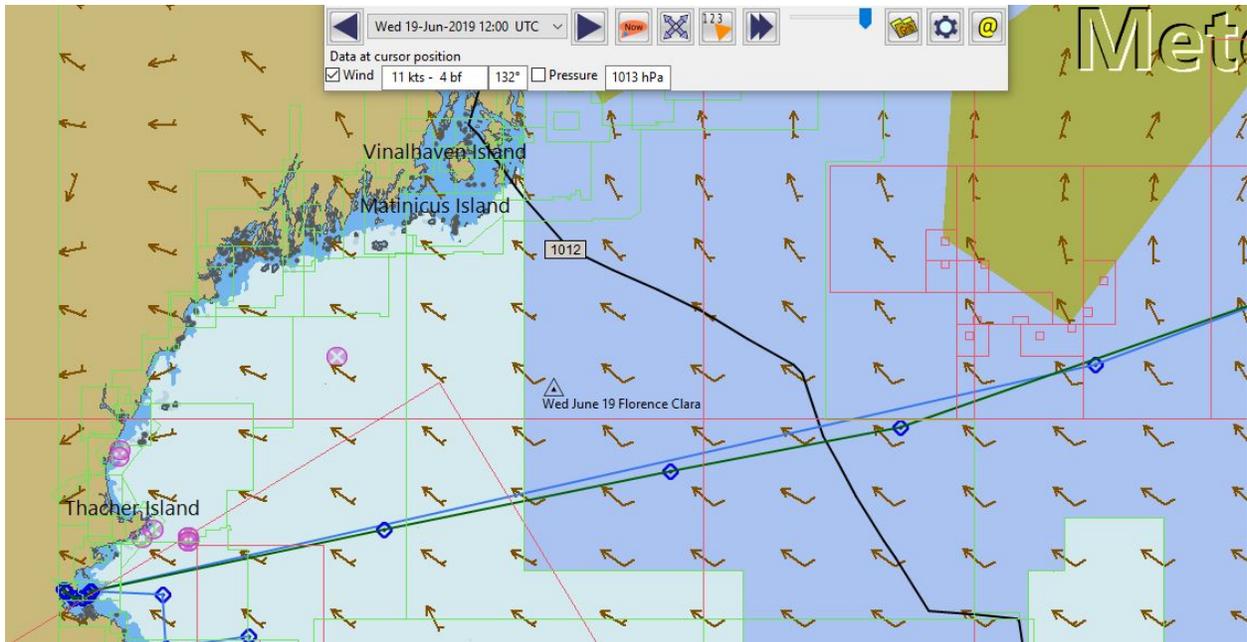


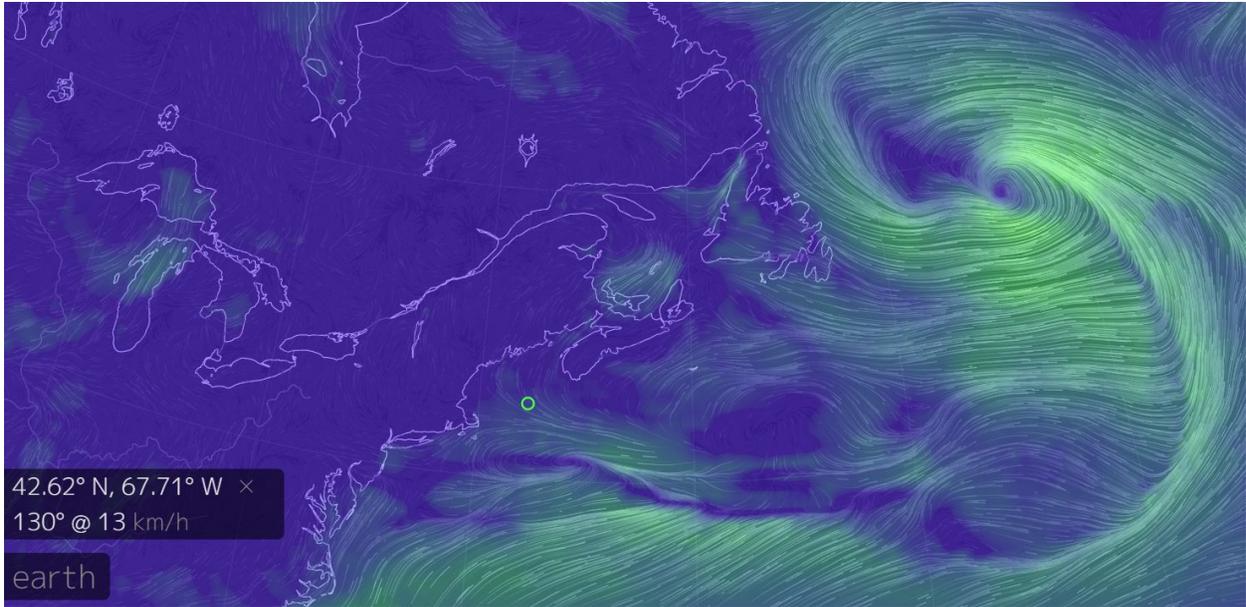
Wed June 19, Wind 11kt 133°, Speed 2.5kts, Course 078°

Sailing Florence Clara

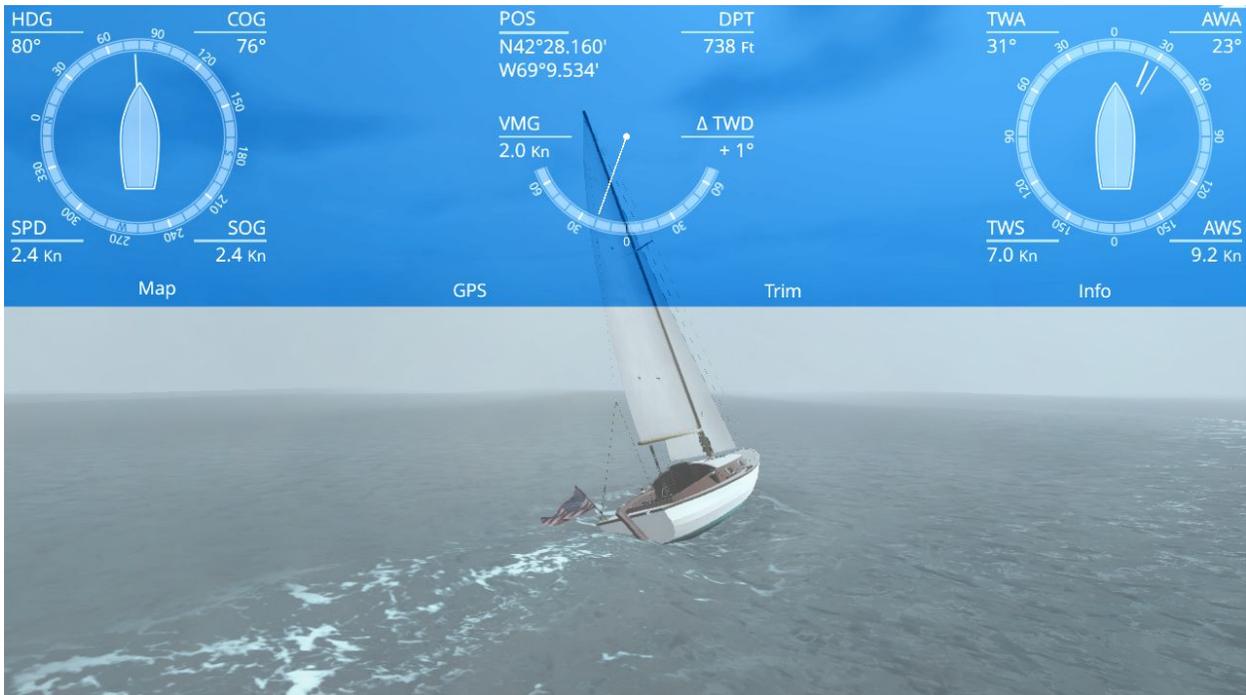
<https://www.facebook.com/s.v.florenceclara/>

<https://www.findmespot.com/mylocation/?id=18k3Y1>





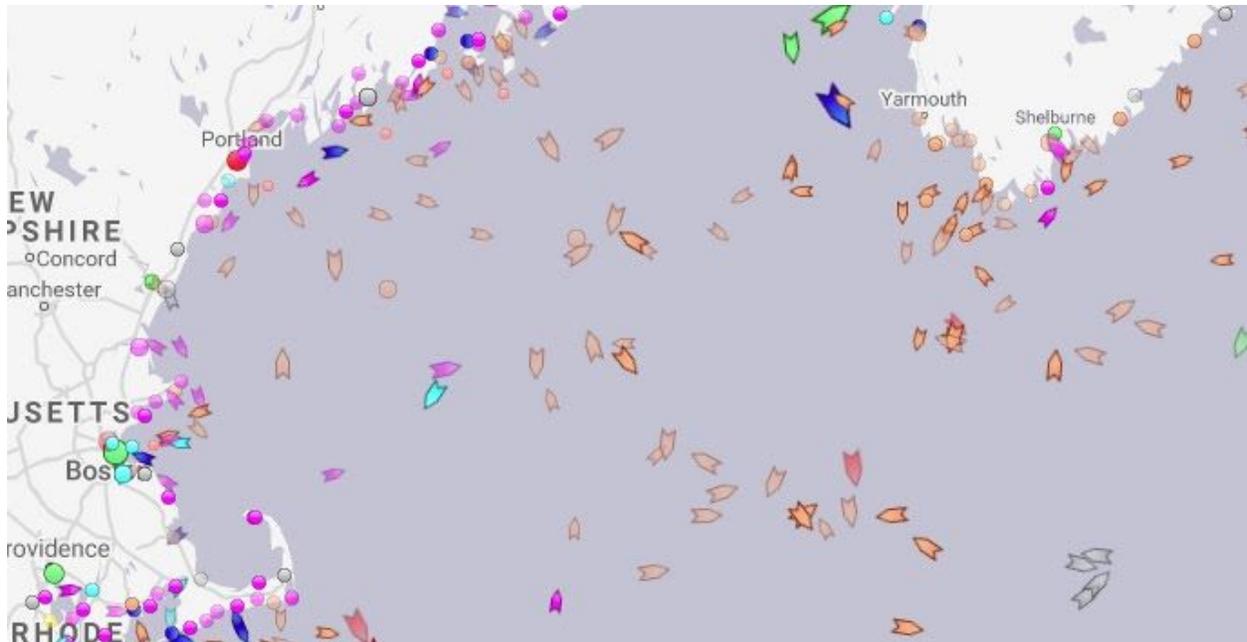
Light favorable winds.



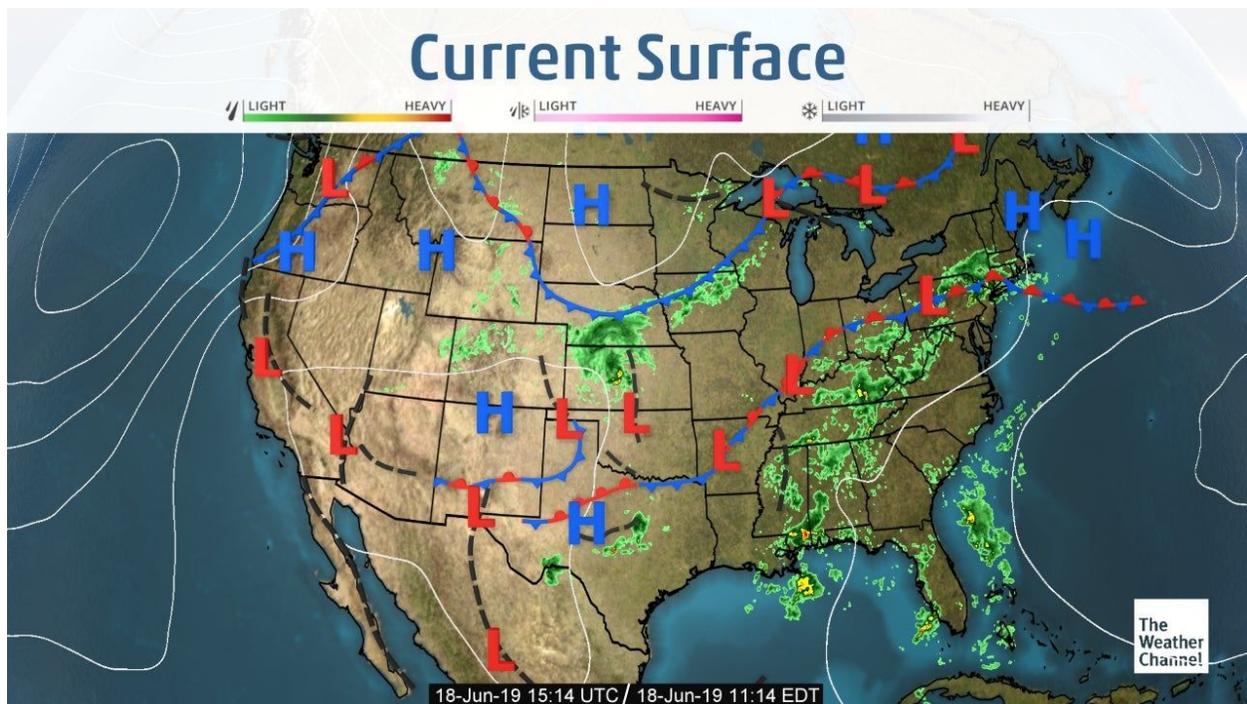
Graphic from Sailaway, a real time simulator. Wind direction is different but waves look real. Supposed to be a sunning day.

.WED...E to SE winds less than 10 kt. Seas 2 to 3 ft.

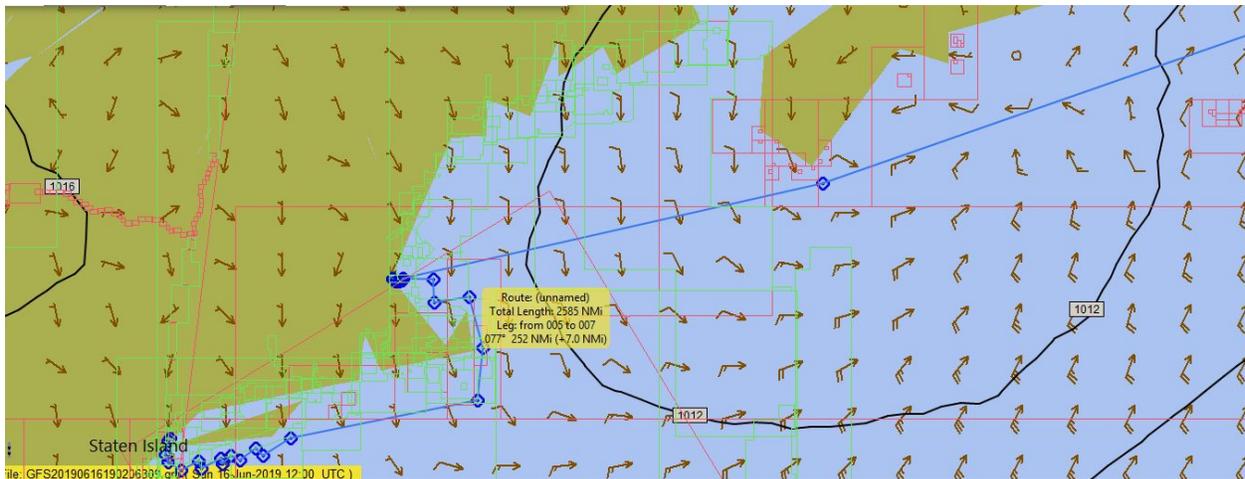
.WED NIGHT...S winds 5 to 10 kt, becoming variable. Seas 2 to 3 ft.



Violet indicates pleasure craft.



Tuesday, June 18 noon, 72nm made good, Wind 10kts 195°, port tack
 .TODAY...S winds less than 10 kt. Seas 2 to 4 ft. Areas of fog
 with vsby 1 nm or less.
 .TONIGHT...S to SE winds 5 to 15 kt, becoming E to SE 5 to
 10 kt. Seas 2 to 3 ft. Areas of fog with vsby 1 nm or less.



Monday Noon

Mon June 17 Noon leave Boston 16.6 nm to The Graves, Course 156°, Wind 7kts 021°, motor sailing, starboard tack, Speed 4.5kts

12:30 Monday, heading 122°, 2.56nm to next heading

2:30 cleared last buoy. 248nm to Lunenburg NS, Heading 048°, ETA Wednesday 10am

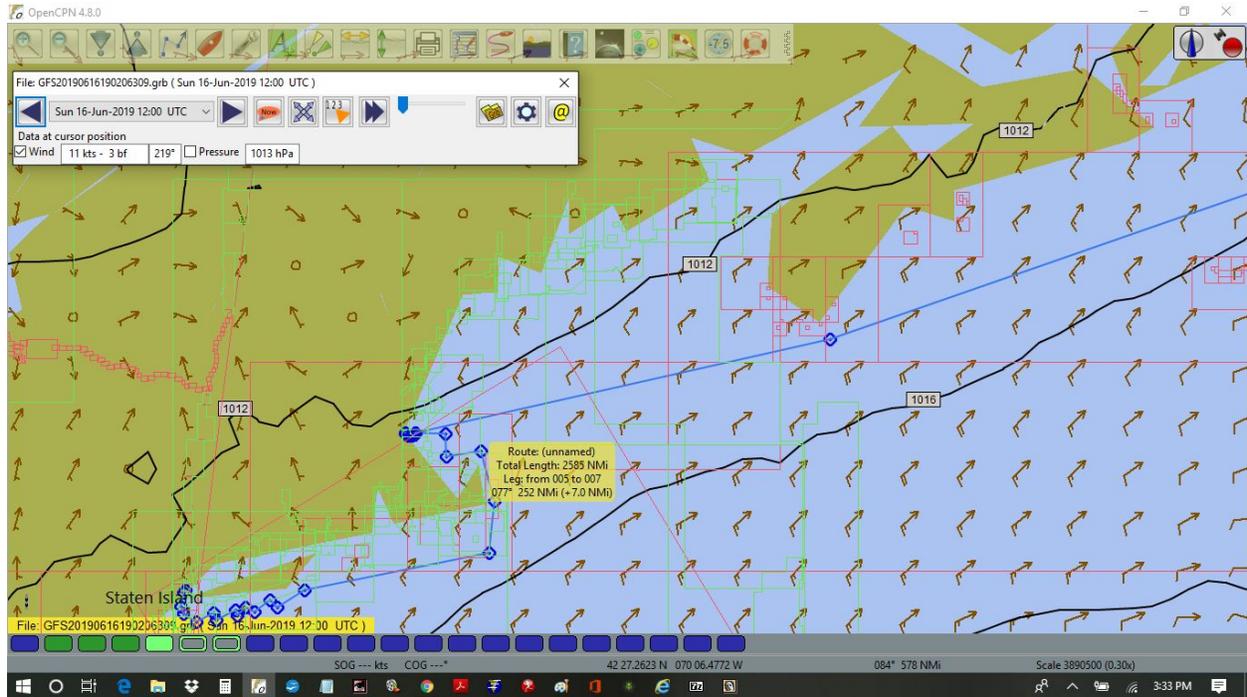
.MON...Winds diminishing to NW 5 to 10 kt, then becoming W. Seas 3 to 5 ft.

.MON NIGHT...W to SW winds less than 10 kt. Seas 2 to 4 ft.

Aug 1809

5 Saturday. Diary. Vol: 3. begins: Sailed in Ship Horace, Benjamin Beckford. from Charlestown to St. Petersburg

Other entries for this date:



Sunday Noon

Gulf of Maine to the Hague Line-
1056 AM EDT Sun Jun 16 2019

.TODAY...S to SW winds 10 to 15 kt. Seas 3 to 6 ft.

.TONIGHT...S winds 10 to 20 kt, becoming W to SW. Seas 3 to 6 ft.

Showers with vsby 1 nm or less.

Food List

15 boxes of cookies

5 boxes of:

Instant

Potatoes, rice,

5 boxes of spaghetti

10 jars of Pasta sauce

20 cans of vegetables

1 bag of

Onions, garlic, carrots, apples,

20 cans of Werlings meat

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

20 cans of tuna, chicken, sardines

3 5lb of flour

1 Jar of yeast

1 can baking powder

2 lbs. Salt

1- 5lb Sugar

5lbs dried fruit

5lbs of nuts

10 boxes of crackers

For refrigerator:

4 lbs, Butter,

5 loaves of bread

3 doz. eggs

7lbs cheese though it can stay outside since it's 50°

Typical

Breakfast:

Coffee, bread, dried fruit, nuts

Lunch:

Soup, sandwiches, $\frac{1}{3}$ of two beers

Dinner:

Starch, meat or beans, vegetables

Snack:

15 bags 6Cookies, 12 boxes Crackers, nuts, dried fruit, 5lbs chocolate, 6 jars peanuts

Alcohol

5 cases of beer

12 bottles of wine

5 bottles of whiskey

Dry goods:

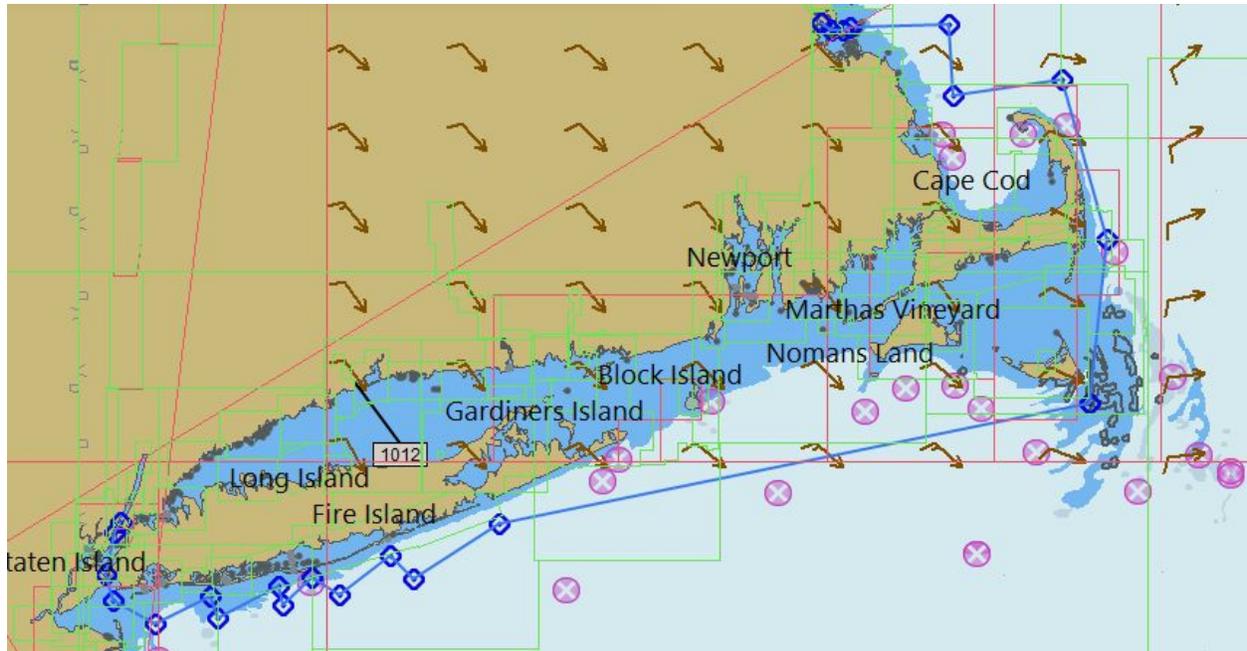
3 bottles dish soap

2 big 12 pack paper towels

Saturday

Friday

Thursday, sightseeing Boston



Wednesday morning arrive in Boston. Planning to leave Monday.

Shipyards Quarters Marina

Charlestown, MA 02129

(617) 242-2020

<https://www.atlanticcruisingclub.com/Marinas/269#Editorial>

190617 called \$3 a ft for a week after that \$2.50

5 p.m. Tuesday, June 11, Wind 10kts 309°, Heading 261°, Speed 4kts, Off Boston Harbor. Stalling so we can make Boston in the morning.

Noon, Tuesday June 11, Off P-Town, Wind 20kts 162°,

TODAY...S winds 10 to 20 kt, becoming W to SW 10 to 15 kt. Seas

5 to 9 ft. Chance of rain and areas of fog, then tstms and

scattered showers. Vsby 1 NM or less.

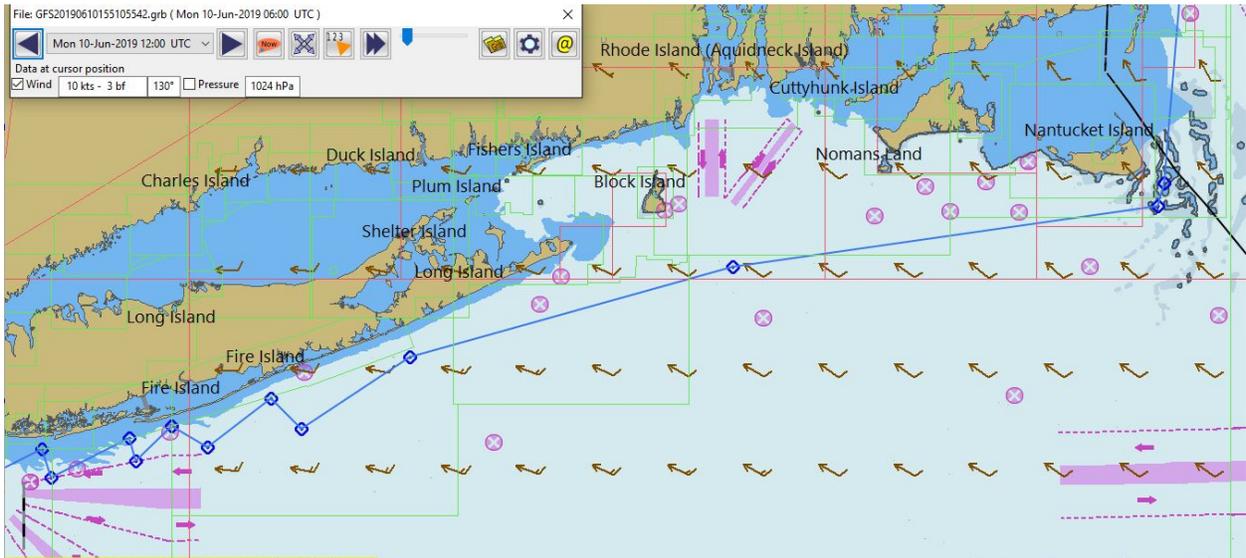
5 a.m. Tuesday, off Cape Cod, Wind 19kts 169°, Speed 5kts

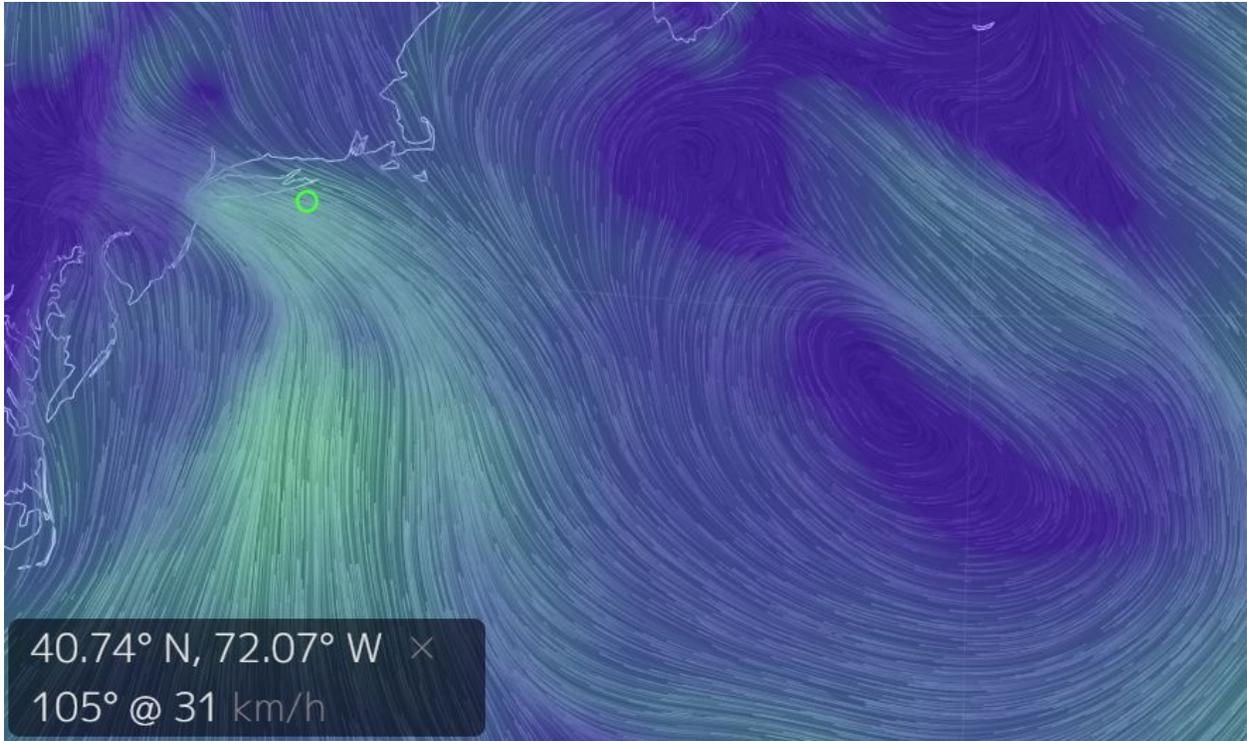
9 p.m. Monday, June 10, 24 hour Starboard tack, 115nm run, off Nantucket



<https://weather.com/maps/currentusweather>

190610 7pm, Rain, Fog, Stalled wind as front passes over.





<https://earth.nullschool.net/#current/wind/surface/level/orthographic=-82.62,42.88,3000/loc=-0.292,58.354>
Excellent High delivering great winds all the way to Boston. 20mph winds. Speed 6 kts.



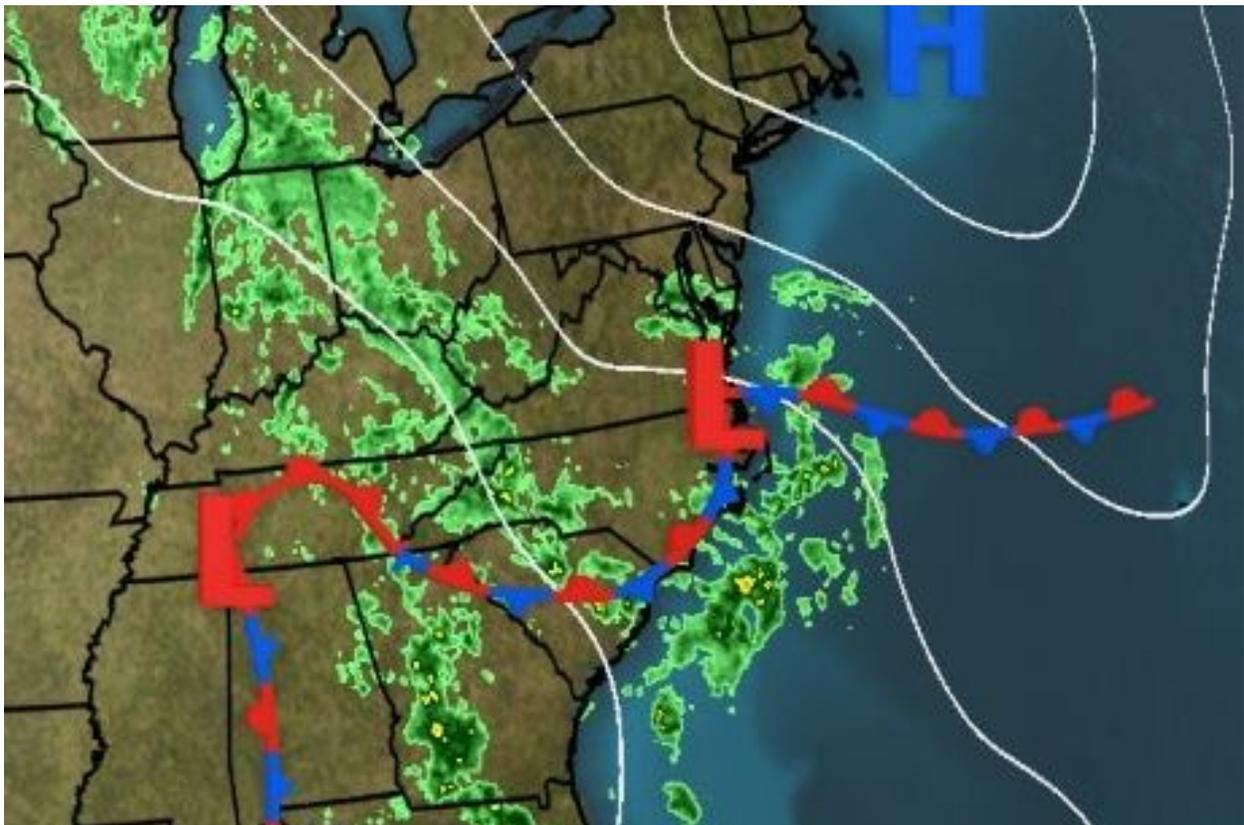
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Monday Midnight

Heading 076°, Wind 11kts 113°, 100nm to next tack off Nantucket's SE coast, Speed 4 kts, ETA Tuesday midnight

TODAY...E to SE winds 5 to 15 kt. Seas 3 to 5 ft. Areas of fog early, then scattered showers and tstms developing. Vsby 1 NM or less.Mike Cooper

NYC to Boston total distance of 427.02 NM
with a journey time of 21 hours at an average speed of 20 knots. Probably take us 5 days.Z x



<https://weather.com/maps/currentusweather>

Franks is the best

<http://weather.mailasail.com/Franks-Weather/Home>



Sunday, June 8

Sun 9 p.m. Tacking, Heading 076°, Wind 11kts 113°, 100nm to next tack

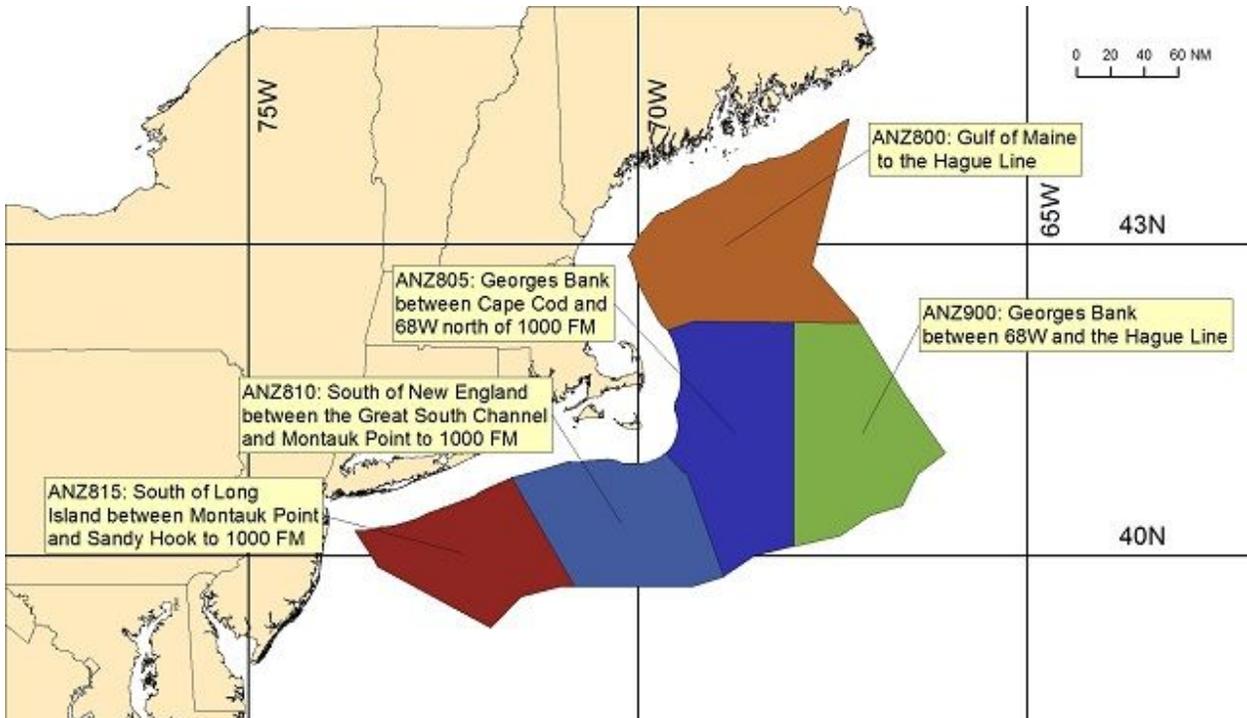
Sun 4:30, Tacking, Heading 056°, Wind 14kts 103°,

Sun 3 p.m., Tacking, Heading 128°, Wind 14kts 096°, Speed 4 kts

Sun noon, Tacked, Heading 025°, Wind 13kts 080°, Speed 4kts

Tacking. SUN...E winds 10 to 20 kt. Seas becoming 4 to 8 ft. Slight chance of showers and tstms.

Sun 4 a.m. off Fire Island Inlet, tack



Saturday, June 8

Sat 10:30 p.m. off Freeport, tacked, Wind 12kts 107°

Sat 6:30 p.m. Close Hauled 10kts 40° 3.5kts Leaving the last New York Harbor buoy

Sat 4 p.m. Beam Reach, Speed 4 kts. West of Sandy Hook

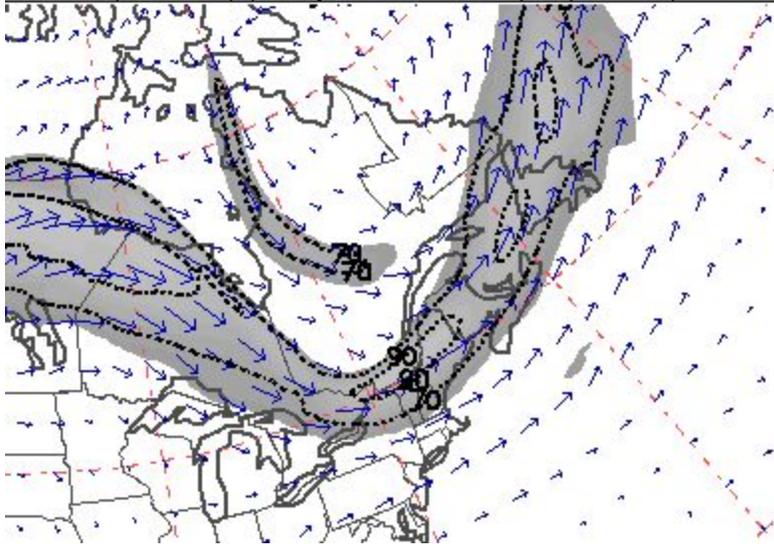
Might as well leave as soon as possible early in the morning so we will be well out after dark. Will be tacking a lot but with calm winds it will be favorable to get accustomed to the open ocean. Rather spend three days trying to round Long Island than 3 days in Manhattan. We leave at noon with the tide.

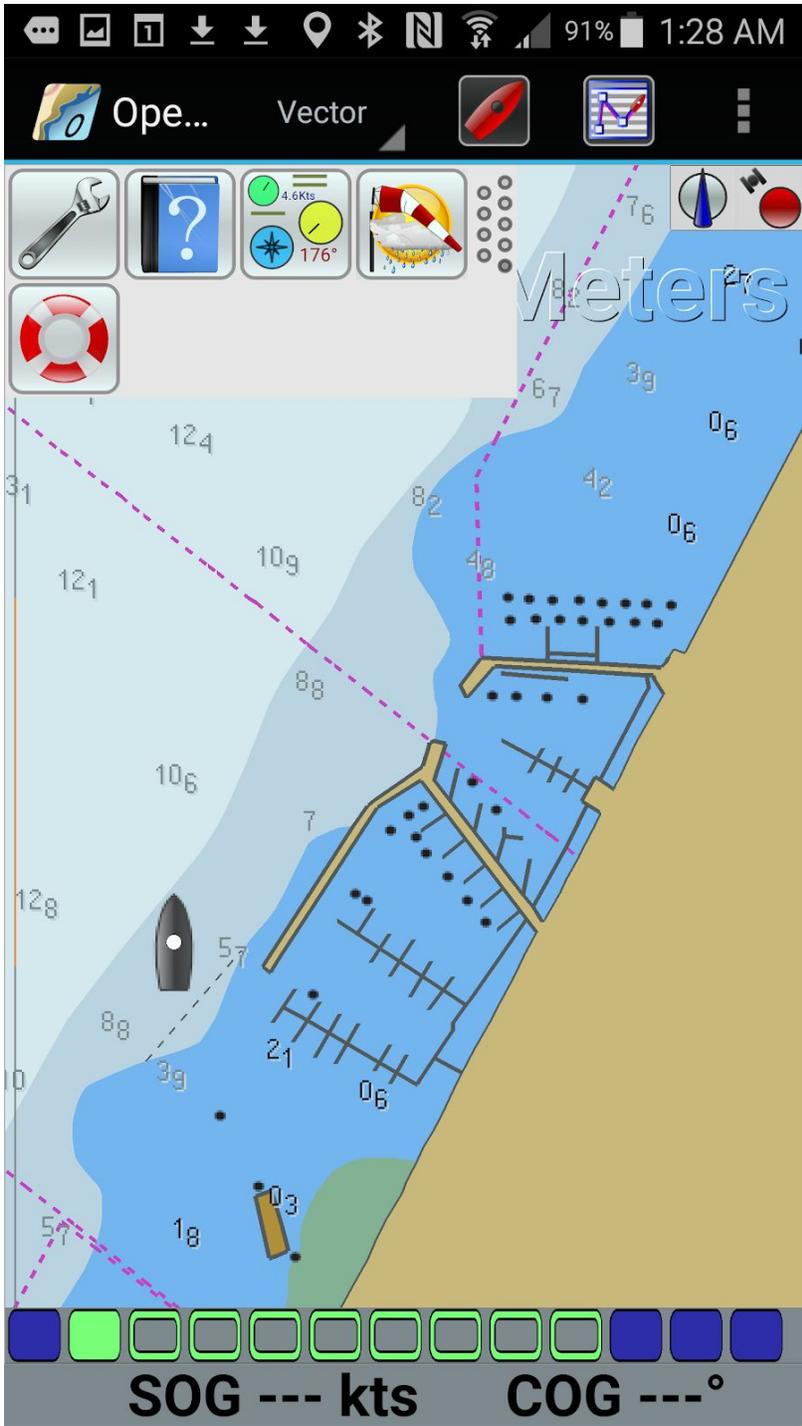
6:30 p.m. cleared last buoy west of Sandy Hook.

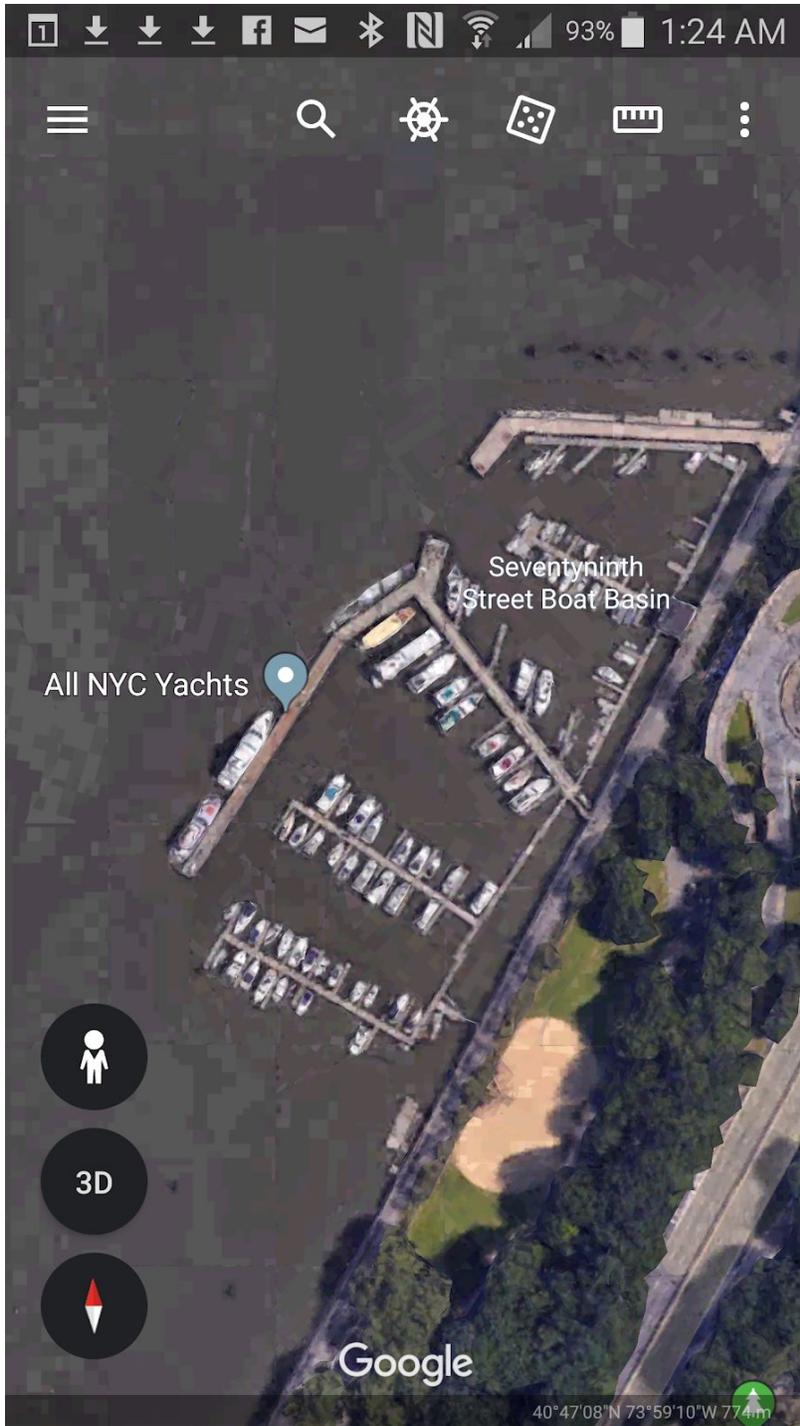
E winds 10 to 15 kt, becoming 10 to 20 kt. Seas 3 to 6 ft. Scattered showers and tstms.

Starboard tack close hauled towards Point Lookout Light then tacking

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Friday, June 7

Tied up at 79th St. Marina there will be lots of rocking more than the Ohio. Morning and evening ferries. An appropriate beginning for the open sea to come.

Thursday, June 6

Spent night in Newberg

<https://haverstrawmarina.com/>

<http://www.clubsearay.com/index.php?threads/udson-river-albany-to-nyc-tips.14817/>

Wednesday, June 5

<https://www.offshoreblue.com/cruising/udson-river.php>

KINGSTON CITY MARINA



Stopped at Kingston got groceries for Boston Leg

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

Vessels up to 50' in length – \$2.00/ft per day

1/2 mile west of the Hudson River.

1 Broadway • Kingston NY • 845.331.6940 • 845.399.1531



Tuesday, June 4

Spent night in Hudson

Looking out for logs. See the beginning of tides. Probably best not to motor at night because of drift, railroad ties and telephone poles. Maybe motoring at night on the canal is doable at least to the next lock.

Monday, June 3 start down the river. Albany to NYC can be done in 10 hours at 35mph.



Looks like a good example of a mast holder.

DECEMBER 5, 2012 BY IGOR SESTANJ

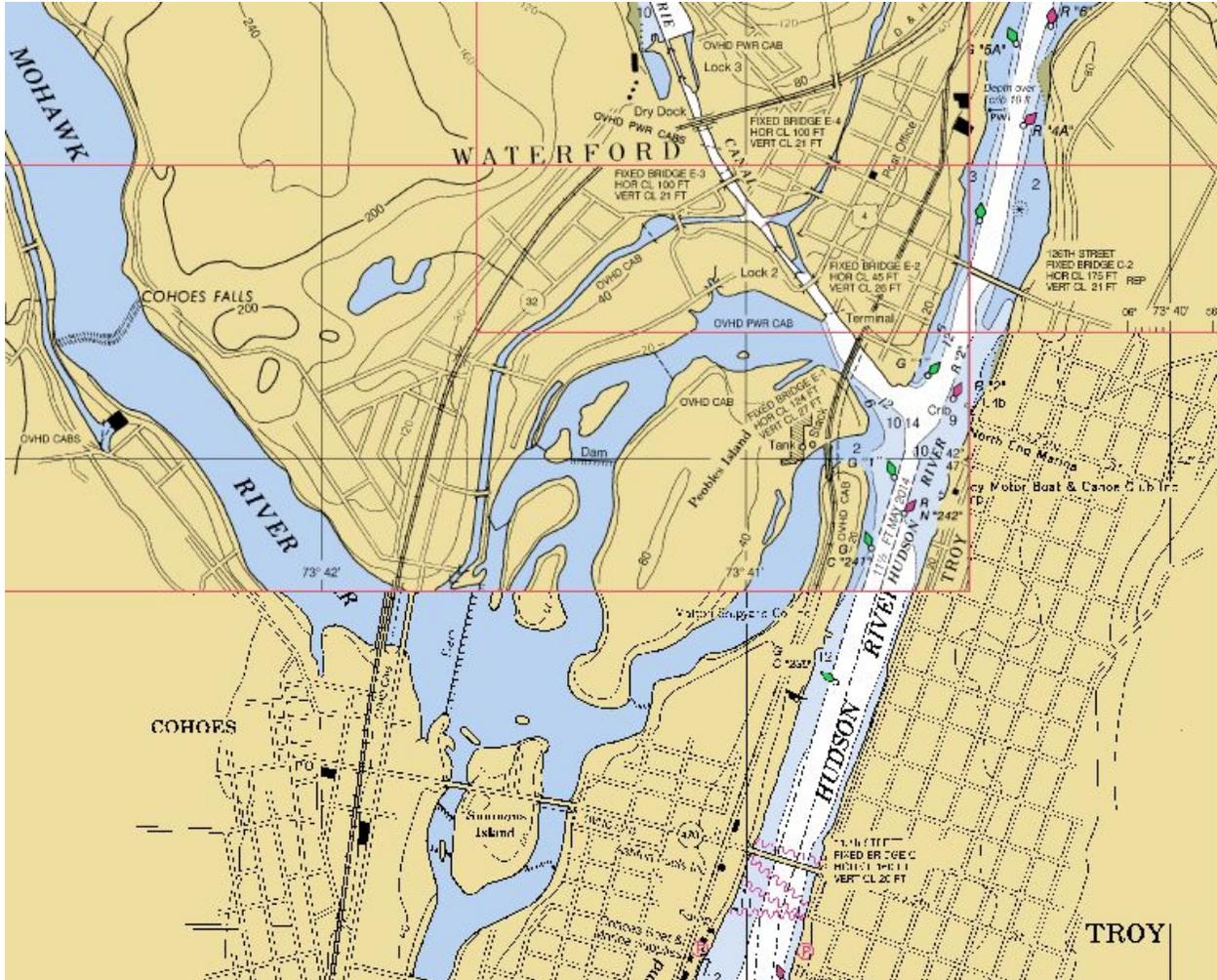
Navigating Erie Canal, Hudson River to New York City and sailing south to Hampton, VA

<https://boatbrochure.com/products/o-day-32-brochure>

In a 32' O'Day center cockpit 11,000 pounds displacement. A 78' for sale in LA for \$14,500

<https://boatbrochure.com/products/o-day-32-brochure>

<https://shekoos.wordpress.com/2012/12/05/erie-canal-to-new-york-city-and-south-to-hampton-va/>



Sunday, June 2

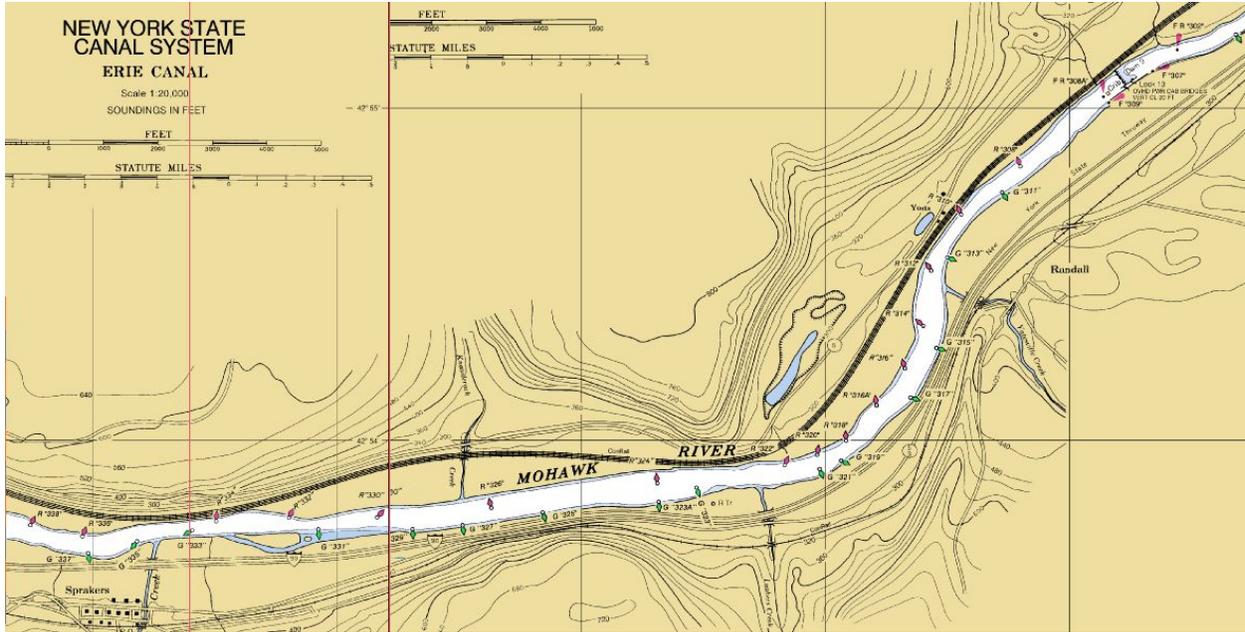


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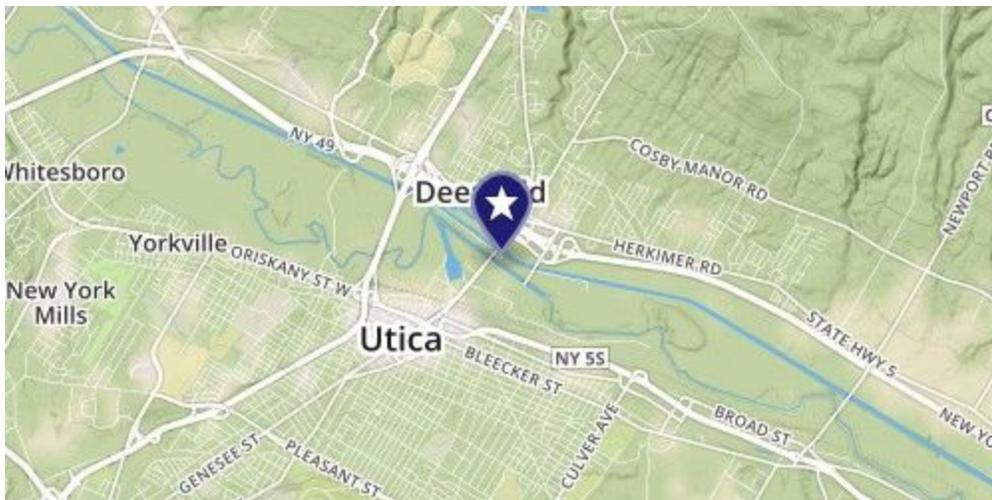
\$80 a night.

Made it to the Hudson River. Six locks at the end.

Total length I think is 300 miles.



Saturday, June 1



Friday, May 31, 2019, 7th Day

$\frac{2}{3}$'s of the way to Albany.

Spent the night at Utica Harbor Marina, New York

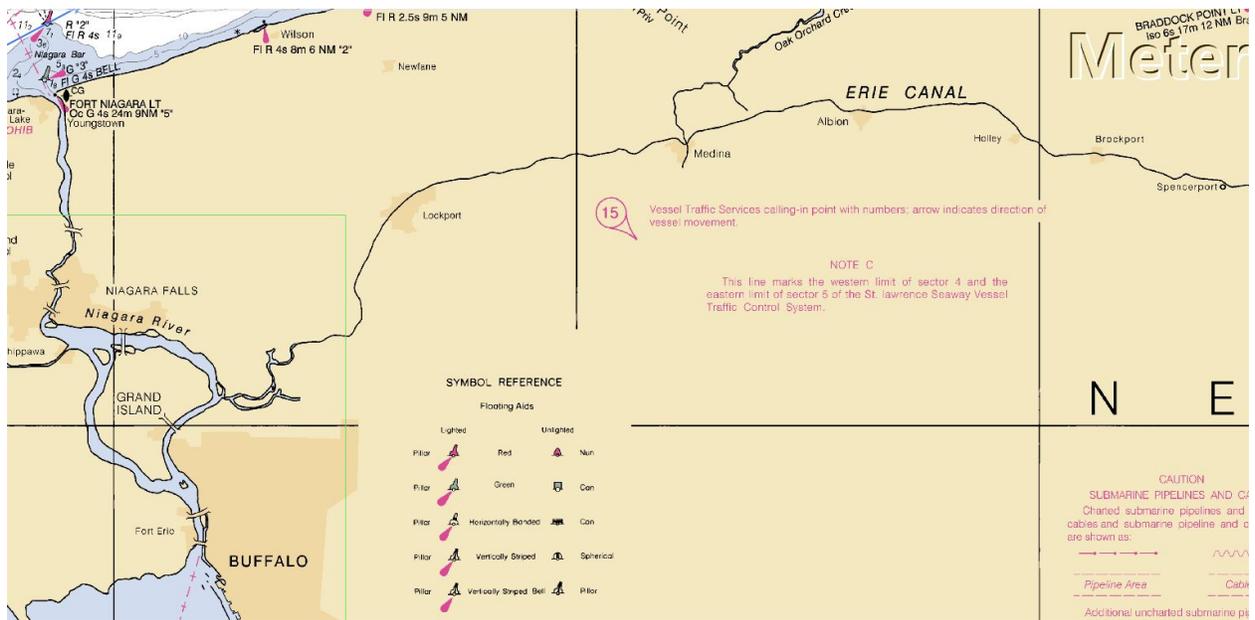
<https://www.waterwayguide.com/marina/utica-marina>

Thursday, May 30, 2019

Passing Cayuga Lake

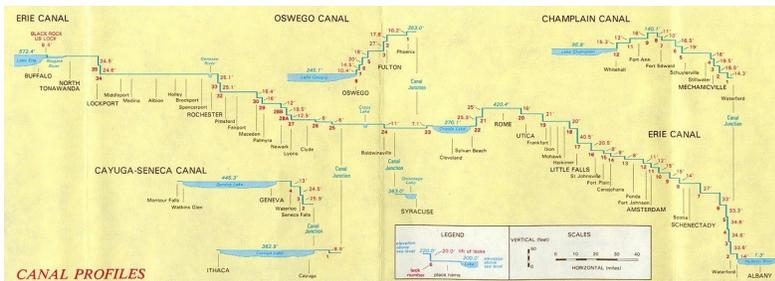
Wednesday, May 29, 2019

Passing Genesee River

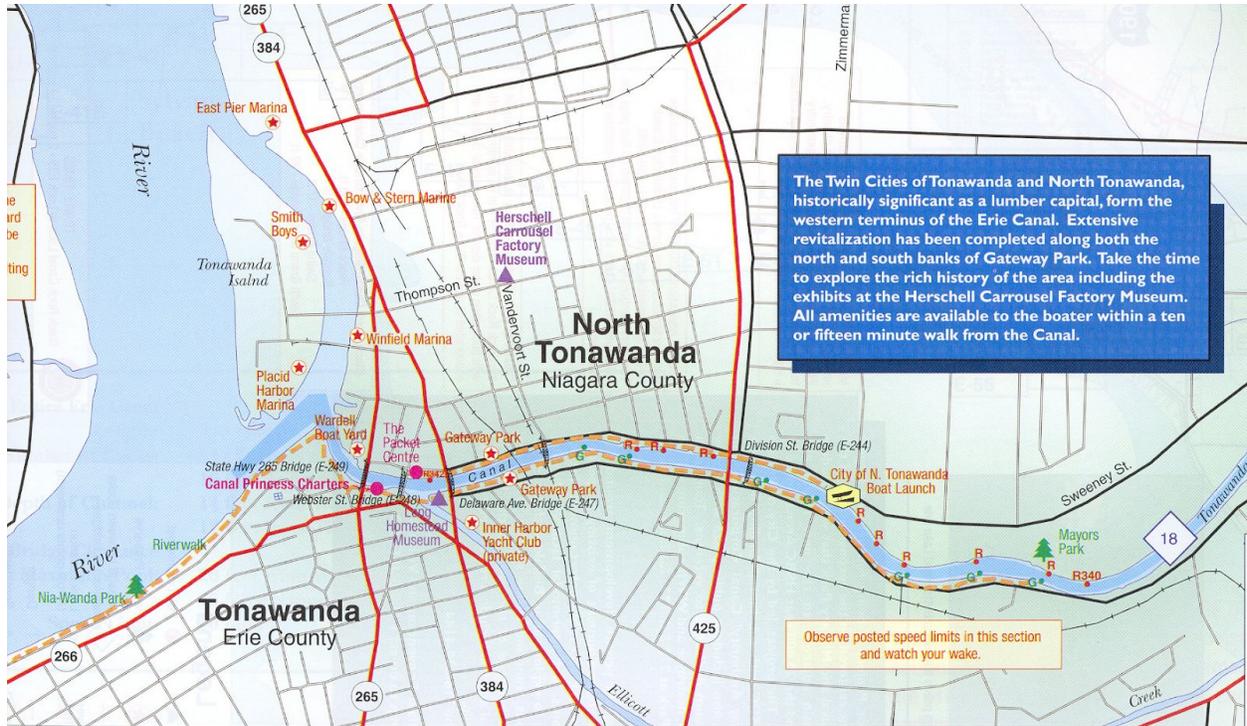


Tuesday, May 28, 2019 Start traversing canal after demasting. Will have to make mast holder. Darren Wright responded to my query. About a week to the Hudson. Cost to unstep is \$9.50/ft of the boat. Everything must be stripped and ready to pull the stick. Making supports for the mast can run up to \$500, most people do it themselves. You get one night of dockage free, then it's \$2/ft. Buffalo Marina Manager RCR Yachts <darren@rcryachts.com>

Locks on the Erie Canal. The present Erie Canal rises 566 feet from the Hudson River to Lake Erie through 35 locks.



One should budget a minimum of five (5) days to cruise between Albany and Buffalo on the Erie. (The Erie Canal begins at the confluence of the Mohawk and Hudson Rivers at Waterford, just north of Albany, and meets the Niagara River at Tonawanda/North Tonawanda, just north of Buffalo.)



Mast taken down. Begin the canal transverse to the Hudson River.
 Staying at one of these marinas. Sent emails to them about cost and time to traverse.
<http://www.wardellboatyard.com/>
<http://www.richmarinesales.us/>
<http://www.rcryachts.com/>



Arrive at Ellicott Creek, Buffalo, NY

Tolls and fees for recreational vessels on the New York State Canal System have been waived through 2021 so we will take the canal from Lake Erie to the Hudson River instead of going through the Welland Canal.

The New York State Canal System closed for 2020 due to virus

<http://www.canals.ny.gov/navinfo/>

Travel Time from Elliot to Albany

We are traversing the canals from Elliot to Albany in a 32' sailboat in 2021. How long would it take?

Thank you for being there.

I am a member of the Ohio River Launch Club. It's been around since 1897.

Tom Lohre

513-236-1704

info@launchclub.com returned

<http://www.launchclub.com/contact.htm>

Removing the mast.

[Wardell Boat Yard](#), ☞ North Tonawanda, NY (716) 692-9428, *Mast storage.*

[Rich Marine Sales](#), ☞ Buffalo, NY (716) 873-4060, *Mast storage.*

[RCR Yachts, Inc.](#), ☞ Buffalo, NY (716) 856-6314, *Mast storage.*

Darren Wright <darren@rcryachts.com>

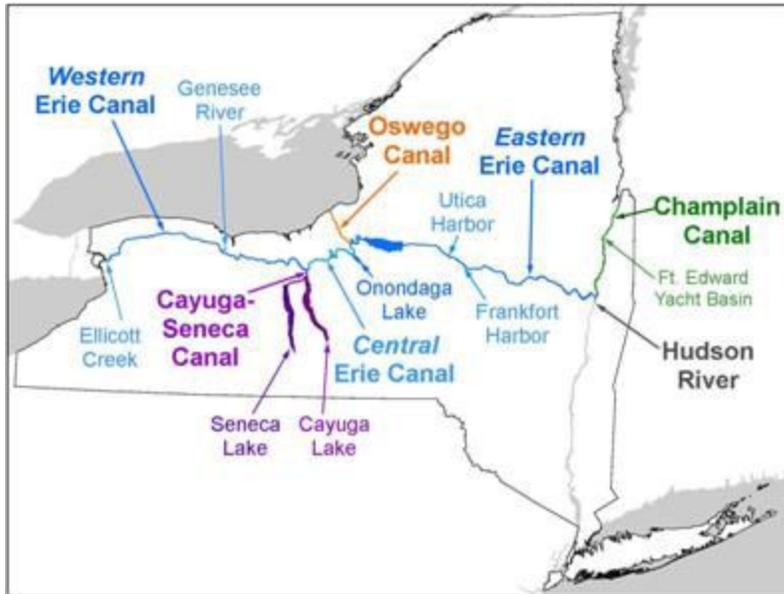
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Buffalo Marina Manager

RCR Yachts

716-856-6314 ext. 203

www.rcryachts.com



Trying to find out how long it takes to travel the canal and Hudson River.

Sunday hanging out in Tonawanda waiting to have our mast taken down.

Saturday May 16 arrive in Buffalo marina Hope to get through 1st lock and only one on the Niagara River,
 Black Rock Lock
 3 Dann St, Buffalo, NY 14207
 (716) 879-4403

Friday May 15 left Catawba may have put into Conneaut to get gas (half way to Buffalo).

<https://www.ndbc.noaa.gov/data/Forecasts/FZUS61.KCLE.html>

Following the route of John Quincy Adams, first ambassador to Russia in 1809.

His Diary

[John Quincy Adams diary 23, 1 January 1795 - 12 May 1801, 5 August 1809 - 30 April 1836, page 218](#)

Taken from John Quincy Adams Diary:

Aug 1809

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Other entries for this date:

Sept

15 Land. at 4. A.M. Rona-Island, Scotland. Lat: 58-25. Long: 6-15. Orkney's- Heavy gale of wind. Up all Night. Aratus-

20 Went to Christiansand Norway- dined at Mr Isaachson's. many Captains and Supercargoes of captured American Vessels.

28 Elseneur. [Elsinore.] Fair day, after a furious Night- Went on Shore. to Cronburg Castle. Returned to the Ship at Night.

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30 Copenhagen. with W. S. Smith. Travelled with a Danish Student.- English Hotel. Saw Mr. Adgate.

Oct

1 Sunday- Americans and Saabye. At Bernstorf's seat. Not at home. Many Soldiers. We returned to Elseneur- [Elsinore.]

5 Sailed from Elseneur- [Elsinore.] Passed by Hveen Island and Copenhagen, over the Grounds. Saw Falsterbo Light-

6 Moen Island astern. Wind not fair. Saw Rügen Island at Noon, and Bornholm at Night. Confined with bruised leg-

7 Wind A-head- Beating between Bornholm and Christiansoe. Fair Morn. Squally Eve. Read Voltaire's Peter-

20 Fair wind and foul weather. Spoke a Lugger. Saw and passed Odersholm, Ragerwick and Revel Lights-

21 Passed the Revelstein, and Kokskaer Light- Hogland Island: Somerö Light; and made that of Sýskar-

23 St. Petersburg. came in a Government Boat. Visit to Mr. Harris our Consul- Lodge at the Hotel de Londres-

