

Somewhere on the Water

January 17, 2022 – Monday, Day 40

Osprey Marina, Myrtle Beach, SC

Bright and sunny this morning at 42 degrees.

We will be here at the marina today. Mark has a few maintenance things on his to-do list and the winds are predicted to be very strong today so not a good day for us to be out on the water.

He is planning our next stop. One more stop-then; Charleston, SC. We will try to be in Charleston for at least one week. This will be the furthest South we will travel. Making plans to travel back North for an early March return is next on our priority list.

Mark is thinking his day is going to include:

- Changing the fuel filter on the generator
- Addressing the fuel leak in the generator
- Using silicone on several different areas of the boat including;
 - 1. Above the salon windows on the starboard side
 - 2. A few screws back in the lazarette
 - 3. A couple of areas on either side of the sliding doors off the galley and helm station.

One of our boat neighbors left this morning heading south and August 15th whom we met a couple of days back also left this morning.

We are getting rocked around at the dock by the wind gusts. I do wish our new boater friends safe travels today. (and every day)

Haleigh made lunch; grilled pesto & mozzarella sandwiches. So yummy and filling. I am finishing up what is left for laundry, cleaning 2-of the 3 bathrooms, all the while keeping up with the work phone. The phones are surprisingly busy for a holiday. This afternoon I went for a walk. 2-miles 32 minutes. I passed a sheep farm and a horse farm. I walked to the Socastee recreation fields that had soccer fields, bike ramps, disc golf, and a jungle gym.

Upon my return to the marina, I noticed that our hard work yesterday paid off. Valkyrie, although in dire need of waxing does look much cleaner!

Mark's completed his to-do list and Haleigh vacuumed and is cooking dinner this evening. Beef stroganoff.

Sunrise is take-off time and we are going to Leland Oil Company Marina. Mcclellanville, SC.

Rumored to be shallow however they were dredged and do not think we will have any problem coming in. It is about 50 miles and will probably take 6-hours.

This should be our last stop before getting to Charleston, SC.

Taking a moment to enjoy the evening with a quick walk around the marina grounds, returned the bathhouse key and tried to capture the moonlit night.

We have been so blessed with gorgeous sunrises, sunsets, and clear star-filled night sky's. Continually thankful for our guardian angels who watch over us and for our friends who are faithful about checking in on us. Thank you!





Update on the Generator that Mark worked on today...

The 6 bolts – 4 of which pulled the threads out of the fuel pump housing.

Fortunately, Mark had the correct size bolts that were longer and he was able to replace all the bolts with these longer bolts and put a nut on the backside. Not exactly pretty but should never loosen up ever again.

While he was working on the generator he noticed a second fuel leak which he discovered was a loose fuel pipe fitting behind the secondary fuel filter. He was able to tighten the fitting and is happy to report that the fuel leak problem is solved.

