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56' Ocean Yacht.**

# *Somewhere on the Water*

February 3, 2022, Day 58

Touring Georgetown, SC & then cruising further north.

Last night was our first night at anchor! We survived.

The inside temperature was about 63 degrees when we woke up.

Expecting almost 70 outside temps today we are docking at the free dock here in Georgetown. We are going to walk around the city and possibly visit the SC Maritime Museum. It opens at 11 a.m.

Last night we did have one anchor alarm around 10 p.m.

Mark got up twice during the night to check on our position. All went well.

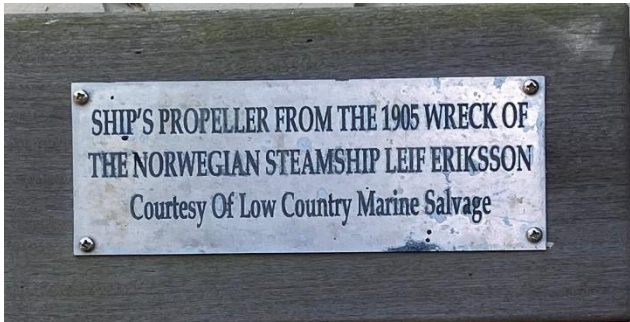
The water is flat calm this morning and although I am currently staring at the papermill out my back window while Mark hoists the anchor the sky does have a nice morning glow that makes everything look rosy.

There is water on the floor this morning. It is running from the small bar fridge/icemaker which was not on last night so some of the ice has melted. We decided to dump the ice after wiping up the water. We can go without the icemaker.

We walked around Georgetown. Visited the Maritime Museum and at noon we left the city's free dock and headed out towards Myrtle Beach.

Georgetown is the 3<sup>rd</sup> oldest city in South Carolina. There is a lot of shops, restaurants, historic tours, and a few museums.

We walked by the Kaminski House, a house built in 1769, which is available to tour, the Rice Museum, and as mentioned above, the Maritime Museum. The Harborwalk is a nice waterfront walkway and it was surprisingly busy this morning.











Back on board and on the ICW.

We passed by Arcadia Plantation. Originally named Prospect Hill Plantation. It is on the National Register Historic Properties. The main portion of the house was built in 1794. Owned by Lucille Pate, daughter of George Vanderbilt. Currently, it is used as a private residence.

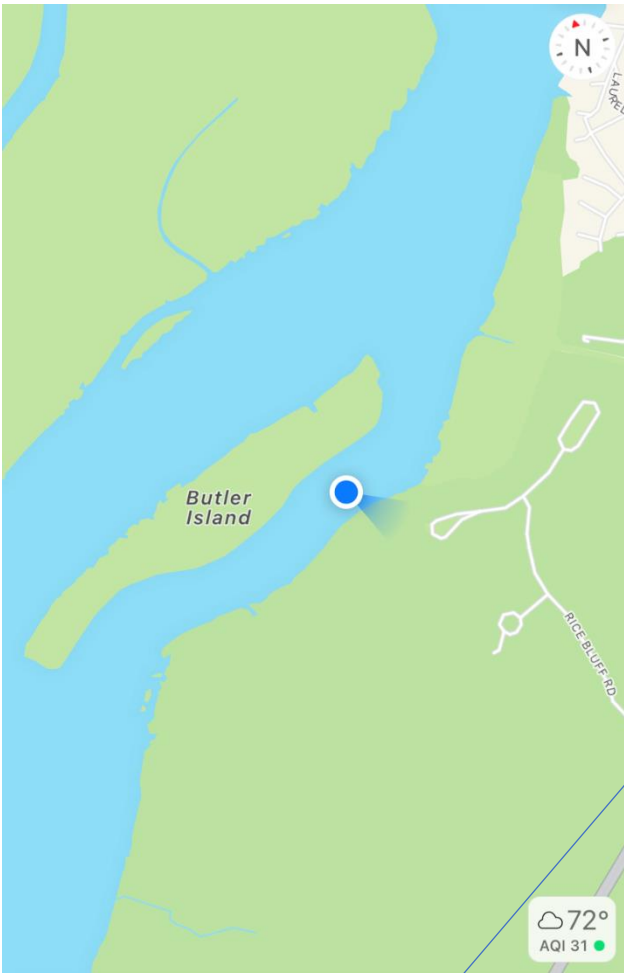
The Vanderbilt family is linked to The Biltmore Estate, Asheville, NC, The Breakers, Marble House, Rough Point, Newport, RI, and Vanderbilt Mansion, Hyde Park, NY. I am sure there are more, no doubt.

They made their fortune through steamboats, railroads, and other business enterprises.

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It is a warm day that many here in this area are happy to have! A few pleasure boaters out here on in the Waccamaw River. (Part of the AICW)

As we took the south side of Butler Island we saw these two boats on the Northside of the island. We took this same route when we were traveling south, we slowed down for a couple of marinas but by the waves we encountered, they did not!



Boat 1

Boat 2



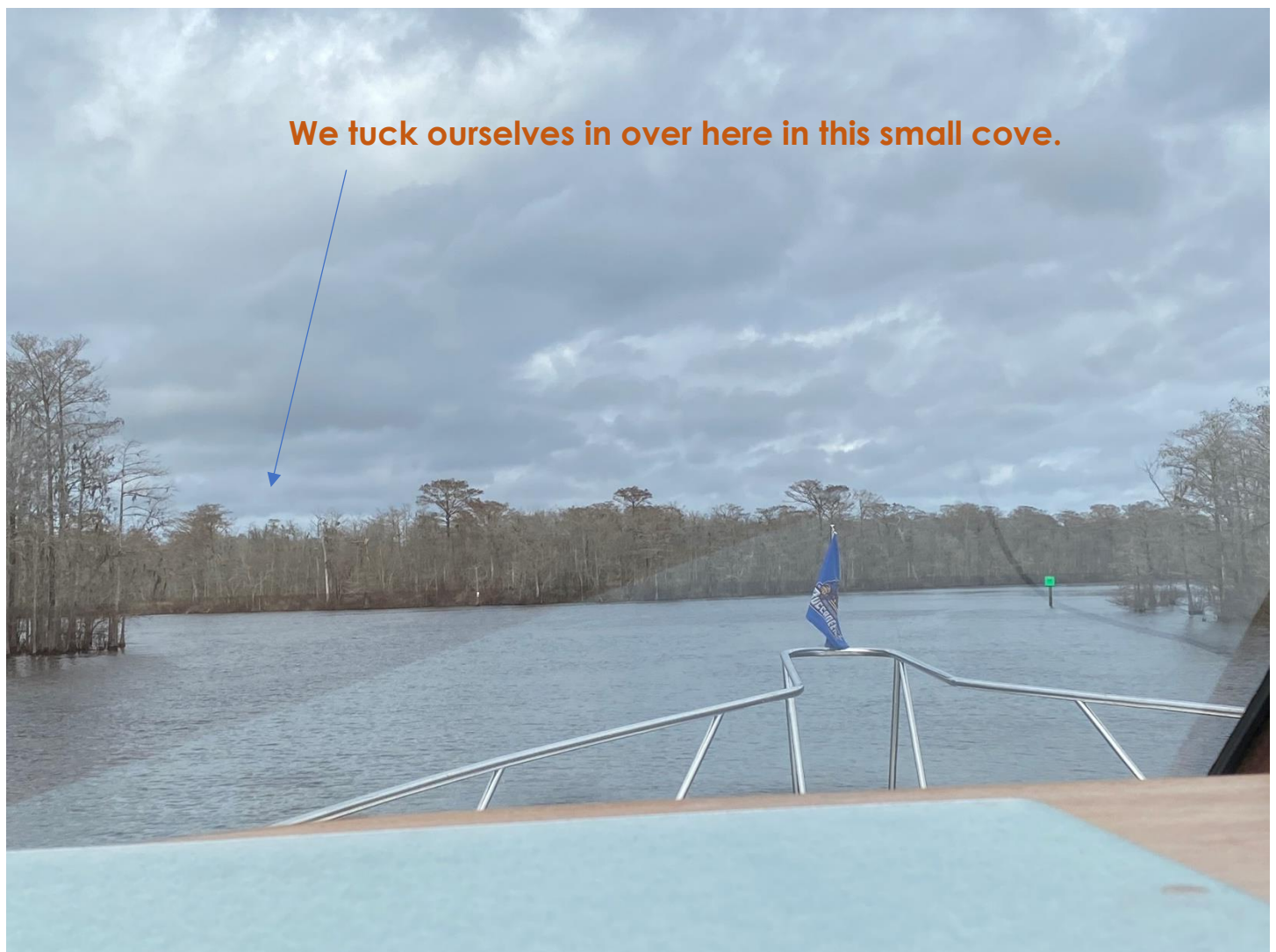
I take it back, we have seen more than a few. Every one of the boats that we have met is going south and we are the lonely boat going north. Perhaps 8-10 boats. For us, it is a busy day on the water with respect to encountering other boats.



We arrived at our anchorage for the night around 3:10 p.m. Mark has been idling for 20 or more minutes waiting for the iPad. He wants to use [Aquamaps](#) on his newer iPad rather than the older 'old red' iPad to set the anchor alarm but Aquamaps isn't picking up GPS.

'Old red' was my first iPad, nicknamed because of its case color, and is about 15 years old. It doesn't hold a charge well anymore so to trust it overnight with no power cord plugged in is not gonna happen.

The newer iPad Mark is using he received as a gift a few years ago. It was given to him specifically for boating and navigating.



The anchor alarm situation did not get remedied with the iPads. Mark did an update on his iPad but even still Aquamaps is not picking up our GPS location. He put an anchor alarm on his phone. Not too thrilled to have to do that. For tonight it will suffice.

He doesn't want the anchor alarm on his phone because

1. If he sets the anchor alarm on his phone and we leave the boat the anchor alarm comes with us.
2. Setting the alarm on an iPad means we can leave the boat, the anchor alarm goes off, he receives an alert signal on his phone, we return to the boat.

If he sets the alarm on his phone and walks away, well...you can understand where I am going with this.

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When we pulled into this area where we wanted to anchor there were 2-sailboats. Since we arrived a motorboat has joined us and I have seen a few more motor by.

We are tucked in behind Oatbed Island on the Socastee Creek portion of the ICW.

Anchor is set, after much time of surveying where he wanted to drop it.

Starts the generator so we can get warm, start dinner, turn the water heaters on, etc. *That's when the trouble began!*

There is a new leak from the generator. Leaking diesel, a steady stream. Only realized it after Haleigh started cooking dinner. So now committed to needing the generator so she can cook in the oven for 10-15 minutes. It was a.very.long 10-15 minutes- very long.

The diesel fumes are filling mine & Mark's bedroom. We opened one of our windows and have the back door open. The stairs leading to our room are right there at the back door.

*Dinner is avocado fries and pasta. The pasta is an easy recipe from Campbells. A one-pot skillet dish.*

*She also made a guacamole dip. It was perfect. Restaurant quality.*

Closing in on 6:15 p.m. and Mark is chomping at the bit to get that generator shut off and fixed. Once he cleans up the leaking diesel that is being soaked up with oil absorbent pads, he will have to fix the leak. We can run lights on batteries for tonight but not enough juice in the batteries to risk running too

many things. We will keep the fridge on and have minimal lights. It's like camping but better, but not as good as a night at a fancy hotel.

The problem with Haleigh's exhaust fan has resurfaced.

It is now a new problem that is not going to get addressed right away. Mark tinkered for a few minutes with it this afternoon but it will take more than a tinker.

Things happen in 3's.

1. Generator
2. Haleigh's exhaust fan
3. GPS

3-hours after the boat engines are turned off and Mark starts to work his magic to get the generator to stop leaking, and still be usable until we can get to a parts store...it is at least 96 degrees in the engine room. I just stuck this portable little thermometer in the engine room to get an idea of how hot it is.

It is sauna hot!

<https://youtu.be/Ey4Q8xOxQMg> Generator leak video!







A nighttime photo of us at anchor once things started to slow down for us and we could breath a little bit I stepped outside to look at the stars. Bright and beautiful. It was so quiet and being winter it was silent. Mother nature's pets have all gone silent. Almost eery if the brilliant stars above did not keep your mind occupied from thinking about it. Surrounded by woods, would anyone hear us if we screamed, besides the 3-other boaters?

