

**Follow along with us as we cruise onboard our
56' Ocean Yacht.**

Somewhere on the Water

Town of Sandwich Marina

April 11, 2022 – April 24, 2022

Welcome! Glad to have you here!

Recap of the last update:

- ✓ Cold weather left us with ice & snow flurries
- ✓ Hot water tank leak
- ✓ Construction projects around the marina
- ✓ Spring is here
- ✓ Haleigh is still cooking!
- ✓ Right whales

A special thank you to all those who have supported us through our Contribution Cup! All contributions are very much appreciated and go directly towards the creation of content on the Somewhere on the Water blog & videos.

Stay tuned because I am working on getting you all up to date on that backstory. The who, what, where, and why of the dramatic lifestyle change.

One of the main reasons why we are so appreciative of your support is because even though we may not be living your ideal lifestyle; it may be unconventional, risky, etc., we are following a dream that has been years in the making and we hope it inspires you to live out your dreams!

Time is unrenowable and tomorrow is never promised so do it before you can't!

For those of you who have asked: What is a Contribution Cup, here is the link:

<https://alongsidecreations.com/somewhereonthewater/>

I created a new page on our website. Now that our winter cruise is officially over I decided to create this new page for updates and as a place to begin telling our backstory. If you are reading this then you already found the link 😊

Whenever you see this



then you know you are seeing the latest

and greatest news!

<https://alongsidecreations.com/somewhere-on-the-water-living-on-board-valkyrie/>

Just joining us and need the link to our **Winter Cruise Adventure**, here it is:

<https://alongsidecreations.com/somewhereonthewater/>

What to expect in this



1. Mayflower comes through the canal
2. Random jellyfish sightings
3. Easter
4. Master bathroom toilet repair
5. Weather o/n 4/18 & 4/19

Let's go through the list and get you all caught up on the happenings onboard Valkyrie!

1. Mayflower

<https://youtu.be/Sm4ZyP9VUpk>

The Mayflower (replica) had been at Mystic Seaport since December 2021. It made its journey back to Plymouth from Mystic, CT arriving on April 13, 2022. It was being pulled by a towboat and it left CT on April 11.

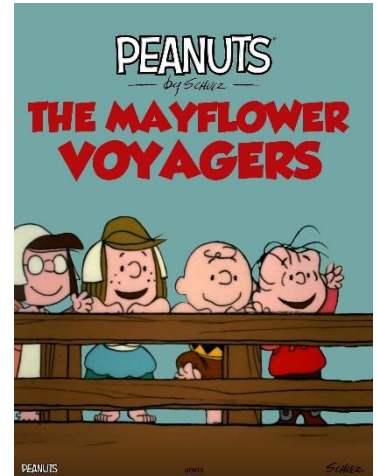


One of the photos I took while on board the Mayflower back in 2021.

You can purchase tickets through Plimoth Patuxet Museum (formerly named Plimoth Plantation)

<https://plimoth.org/plan-your-visit/hours-tickets-directions>

Every year at Thanksgiving time we used to watch the **Peanuts Mayflower Voyagers** which depicted the life & struggles of the voyagers on the Mayflower. You might be able to find it on Vimeo or your local library. It is kinda a hoot and a little different than the typical Peanuts movies.



2. Jellyfish; a good sign that the waters are warming up according to our boat neighbor.



Click this link to watch a video I put together:

<https://youtu.be/GevVljDzO44>

I am not sure if they are lions mane or not, but they do have long tentacles and thankfully I am not swimming because these do sting.

What do you do if you get stung by a jellyfish? Vinegar! Don't pee on it; just use regular ole household vinegar. Most lifeguard stations will have it on hand.

3. The Easter Bunny found us!

We traveled (by car) to Vermont and had a snowy Easter Day. With on & off snow flurries all day. It never accumulated to anything. It wasn't the first nor will it be the last Easter that snow will make an appearance. It was great to get together with the family. First time since Christmas. The over 21 nieces & nephews had an "adult" Easter hunt and our only under 21 had to settle for an appropriate 'non-adult' hunt.

The full moon was an amazing beacon of light in the sky on our ride home Sunday night. I believe it was the Pink Moon. Did you see it?

The Pink Moon corresponds with the changing of the season from Winter to Spring. Look for a lunar eclipse coming in May; On Sunday, May 15, and into Monday, 16, 2022 the full "Flower Moon" will turn a spectacular reddish color for 84 minutes and best viewed in North and South America. -forbes.com

4. Master bathroom toilet repair

First, we had to get ready;

- ✓ empty the closets,
- ✓ empty the cabinets

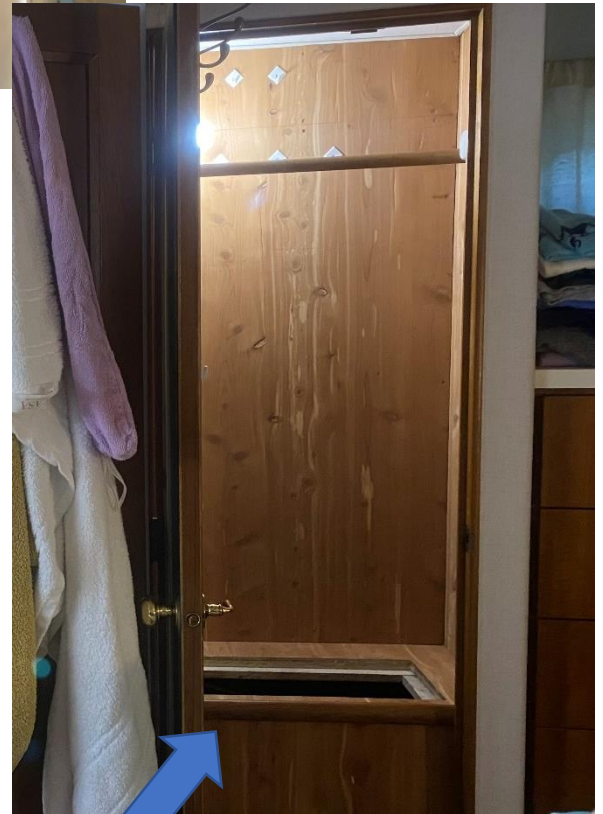
REMOVE a cabinet – from inside the shower!

Next;

- ✓ Mark removed the old hose.

Then:

- Once again Mark finds himself in a tight situation and runs the new hose through the engine room, the bulkhead, into my closet, and then the bathroom....the video link is provided....keep going...



This is my closet



This is looking down into that space. The hose runs through here.

Out with the old (original 1991) in with the new. This is the water intake.
Not the shitty pump-out!

<https://youtu.be/wMfxS98ftg8>



5. The weather buoy is reporting 59km wind speeds today. (April 19)
That is about 35 mph and 45 mph gusts when Mark looked at his
weather app around 3:30 p.m.

We had wind and heavy rain overnight (April 18) which caused our ropes to squeak, a few unidentified thuds and bangs, possibly from the neighboring boat or our floating dock.

During the day I can see the flags being whipped by the wind, there are waves in the canal, and if there wasn't a finger dock between Valkyrie and our neighbor we would have hit for sure.

The Southwest gusts of wind have us pressing up against the bumpers and the finger dock. Days like today would be very uncomfortable if we had guests prone to seasickness because we are in a constant state of movement.



<https://youtu.be/sm0A9uKWjXs> Watch & listen!

That is a wrap for this update!



- Stay tuned for the first release of our backstory...I have typed up several pages and I am in the process of gathering photos and video!

- The marina ranking from our winter cruise is just about done. It is hard to pin Mark down long enough to focus on it...but we are getting there!
- Another boat project that should have been a quick one turned into a 2 ½ hour one!
- Date night – make that 2 date nights!

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