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

Somewhere on the Water

Where are we? We moved! Welcome to our newest update! October 8 – November 8, 2022

Our last update covered September 8 to October 7, 2022, and included d many events such as:

- Aerosmith concert
- Our friends get married
- Miscellaneous Marina happenings
- > WE GOT KICKED OUT OF OUR MARINA!
- ➤ We lose electricity and water!

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What to expect in this



- We went on a trip
- > Aft cabin heat
- Another wind event...did we get kicked out again?
- > Happy Anniversary!
- Winterizing the boat
- ➤ Moving day!

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We went on a trip

One of my favorite weekends of the year. Columbus Day Weekend / Indigenous Peoples Day.

We travel to Vermont every year and do all things Fall & Vermonty! Pick apples, and pumpkins, visit roadside farm stands, but most importantly visit with family!

It was a little cool, but the foliage was amazing and the apples were delicious!



> Aft cabin heat

Bear with me here...it is a little bit confusing as to why when we returned from Vermont our Aft cabin heat did not work.

Dating back to when we had an a/c technician come to the boat to help us with a flooding issue....

Click the link for more info...

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...the technician said the high-pressure safety switch was not connected and should be addressed.

Mark addressed it and hooked up the switch and everything was working great.

When we left to go on our road trip to VT he switched the heat breakers (and many other breakers) off as he always does when we leave the boat for multiple days. Upon returning and switching the breakers back on – no aft cabin heat.

After some diagnosis; Mark went back to the original setup (disconnecting the high-pressure safety switch) and now the heat is working.

There should have been a high-pressure reading on the control panel and there was not. Very Curious!

This may remain a mystery.



Another wind event...did we get kicked out again?



Thursday, October 13 into Friday, October 14 we had significant winds and rain. Sustained winds of approx. 25 mph with gusts over 50 mph!

So....did the marina ask us to leave again?



Since the winds were coming from the Southeast we did not get asked to leave. Although we did get rocked around a bit, and the rains were hitting us sideways. Thankfully we were able to stay. We do have a few stubborn leaks so whenever the rain is heavy and especially when it is sideways; rags go out to collect water from the two areas that we cannot seem to stop from leaking.

> Happy Anniversary!

We had dinner out, twice!

We do not go out to dinner often. This weekend we went out twice! First with our boat neighbors to the Ice House, here in Fairhaven.

Food = good, service = less than good.

The second night out was at Riccardi's here in Fairhaven to celebrate our 24th Wedding anniversary!

Food = excellent, service = excellent.

Winterizing the boat

What? Winterizing the boat? What does that mean?

Winterizing a boat for many boat owners means hauling out; servicing & winterizing the engines and shrink wrapping.

For us, since we live onboard full time, it means:

1. We have to move – but our winter slip is not ready.

Until our winter marina is ready for us we have been lucky enough to hang out at West Island Marina. However, they need to keep moving forward with their schedule to prepare for winter.

They close the restaurant; haul boats; close the bathhouse; and haul out the docks.

Before they can haul the docks they have to pull the electric and water lines.



Using the crane to haul the docks!

The docks are numbered for ease of returning them to the proper spot in the spring. And, of course, to mark slips.



Electric and water lines.

Bye bye electricity



Wednesday, October 19 is the scheduled date for cutting electricity and water so starting then we have to rely on the water in our water tank and rely on batteries for electric until the evening when Mark can recharge with the generator...

Watch the videos for all the details: https://youtu.be/3kDlmNvrNm8

Empty docks & slips at WI Marina



2. Valkyrie has 'outside' water spigots/hoses that need to be drained/closed for the winter.



One on the bow for the anchor chain rinse down.

Two in the cockpit: a hot & cold water spigot for the deck shower and a cold water hose on the port side.

3. Winterize the outboard engine on the tender and cover it.



4. Adding weatherstripping to the doors.

Change the oil to the anchor windlass motor.
Not necessarily a "winterization" requirement but adding it to the scheduled list of things to do ensures it does get done every year.





I will continue with the winterization projects that include the engine room and more!

➤ Moving day!

https://youtu.be/F-fP704z8Bk Check out the video!

A serene morning that inspires poets and boaters like us dream about.

Coming into Fiddlers Cove is bittersweet. We love this marina however disappointed we are not cruising south this winter.

There are many reasons for not cruising this winter. Fuel prices are one of them. Secondly, we are supporting our kids while they are in a transition year and the role of parenting is never ending and our priority.

The arrival day to Fiddlers was amazing. It could not have gone any smoother.



Valkyrie's winter slip.

The next several days

were foggy and rainy but busy. Unlike West Island Marina; Fiddlers Cove has a boat on every slip. Summer residences are getting hauled out for storage, new boats are arriving daily for haul out and service and then there are boaters like us that will stay in the water for the winter. For now, only two full-time liveaboards including us are here for the winter.

That is a wrap for this update!

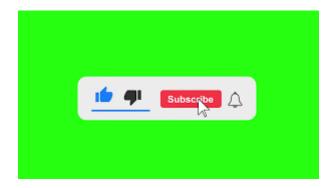
But before I let you go let's take a look at what is to come!



- > Mark changed out the water pump
- > Fishing from the dock! Did we catch anything?
- > Winterization projects continue

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

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