

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

# *Somewhere on the Water*

Our Great Loop

Anchorage Coxsackie, NY to Schodack Creek, Schodack, NY

Wednesday, June 4, 2025

Day 8

Welcome! Glad to have you here!

8:28 am Started engines.

Mark was worried about the anchor holding last night but the anchor alarm did not go off throughout the night. This morning he was getting ready to fly the drone and the anchor alarm went off twice which meant it was time to go.

Yesterday he took the isinglass down so today he is driving from the flybridge. He is so excited.

Mark saw two deer this morning on the water's edge as we departed. Of course, I did not.

Today's itinerary is not too exciting. We went to fill up on fuel and then a short distance back south to a new anchorage. We need to move forward towards Waterford, but not too soon. It is also imperative that we have a space to tie up Valkyrie once we arrive in Waterford because we have a very important party to get to on Sunday.

9:15 am – arrived for fuel.

We were prepared to dock starboard but they asked us to go port side so there was a last-minute switch of the lines, we did not bother to move bumpers.

Donovan's Shady Harbor Marina, New Baltimore, NY

Fuel \$4.09

AGLCA discount 10cents

Gallons purchased 333.16

Total paid \$1,332.31

Donovan's is a sponsor of America's Great Loop Association and has a long list of amenities and the dock staff was very nice and chatty. He took our trash for us. Mark gave him a tip.

Amenities Include...

Restaurant Dock (with complimentary dock & dine) | South Gas Dock | Fuel Dock with High Speed Pumpout | North Gas Dock | Sin Dock | North Dock | 35 Ton Travel Lift | Repair Shop | Canvas Shop | Bath House & Laundry Area | BBQ Area | Ship's Store & Convenience Store | Outdoor Show Area | Boathouse Grille-bar & restaurant | The Historic Hudson River | In-Ground Swimming Pool.

<https://www.shadyharbormarina.com/amenities-rates-reservations>



10:00 am We left the marina and went south to the anchorage

10:16 am arrived at our anchorage, tucked into Schodack Creek next to Houghtaling Island.

Mark lowered the antennas and together we lowered the radar arch in preparation for the 19' bridge we go under after we go through the Troy Lock tomorrow which will be our first lock of many on the Loop. In addition, Mark set out bumpers (fenders) on both sides of the boat because you never know which side of the lock attendant is going direct us to tie up to.

As the afternoon progressed Mark worked on our plans for tomorrow and the next few days. It was a beautiful day outside today so we opened the screen doors however the pollen was so thick that I had to close the screens because it was collecting on them and every time the screen doors were opened all that pollen would fly into the salon.

Dinner tonight was a skillet chicken & veggies.



## *Daily Summary:*

Departed from Coxsackie @ 8:33 am

Arrived at Donovan's Shady Harbor Marina for Fuel @ 9:12 am

Departed The marina @ 9:58 am

Arrived anchorage in Houghtailing Island, in Schodack Creek, Schodack, NY @ 10:22 am

Hours traveled: 1 hr 47 mins

Nautical Miles Traveled: 7.98 total for the day (291.73 total miles)

Average Speed: 4.4 knots

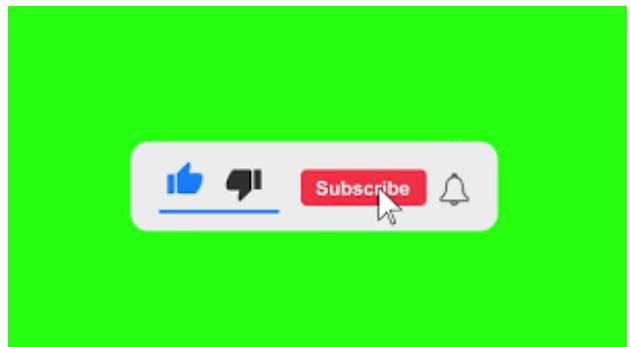
Weather: sunny, moderate wind, low 80's

Anchorage/mooring/marina review: Plenty of room to swing, plenty of room for a fleet of boats, scenic w/eagles, and herons, the anchor was quick to hold, Verizon signal weak.

#of locks we went through: 0

 **YouTube** <https://youtu.be/H5VcA2LHqO4>

That is a wrap for this update!



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

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