

Tuesday - 4-7-87 ~~Monday~~

Take off 7:25 AM. - 10 knot wind - clear 50° ±.

Smooth day run with only obstacles puge dredges. We passed many.

We had a new experience, a pontoon bridge. - Couldn't figure until we were up him -

Arrived at Seagath Marina, ^{markers} at 3:25 P.M. were secured by 3:45 P.M.

We all walked into town ~~for~~ to pick up supplies. - Marina was -

the Seagath Transient Marina. George, the dockmaster was super helpful with his time and information. *This would be first choice*

but On our return we might, however, consider Wroughtwell's Beach Marina + Yacht Club. More advantageous on waterway but more traffic. As usual we arrived with an "Docking Wind"

Good Landing - Upon preparing charts after for tomorrow's run, after dinner aboard, we made the startling discovery that we may not be able to complete our planned run.

It - the ICW - runs through Camp Lejeune Marine Base, and they close the waterway when they practice with small munitions. We called the camp and sure enough the ICW is closed tomorrow. So we are forshortening our day and we may have to loose a Day travel on Thursday. After showers and laundry we all hit the sack. All in all a good day. (See page 36A)

DO NOT DRINK WATER IN N.C.

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4-8-87 Wednesday

Since our will be shorter today we slept late - 7:00 A.M. - a real treat. We rechecked with the Marines and it looks like we stop at Swan Point Marina tonight instead of Dudley as first planned.

The sky is clear, temps in high 40's at 7:00 A.M. no wind to speak of.

We took off at 8:45 - Clean take off - I really felt good - George the dockmaster showed us a truck with a bumper for take offs in certain conditions. This trip is truly a learning experience.

We had many conversations with companion boats - The man in the red hat from "Vendi" sends greetings to Miss Virginia, Al Price, from the "Friendship" sends greetings to Marvin Cohen from Solchester. Also chatted with Chick + Carol Kaufman of the "Sea Cay."

Made it through the Marines! Arrived Dudley Marina at Swan Point Arrived in "Docking Wind" at 3:40 P.M. Good landing - It was a real "Red Neck" Marina (or Dock) strictly for "Head Boats". Decided not to leave boat unattended to go to dinner - ate aboard.

DODLEY'S SWAN POINT
MARINA

919-393-2204

DAD MM#229

Thursday 4-9-87

Departed Dudley's Marina - Swansboro at 8:48 A.M. in hopes of making opening of Atlantic Beach Bridge (opens only on the hour). Because we didn't (or couldn't) account for the current which ran swiftly in the direction we ~~are~~ were going, we saw we would arrive at the bridge very very early - just having missed an opening. In other words we had to absorb an hour until the opening. Very aggravating - (bridge tender very courteous)

The day was fair, winds were calm. Had a good run. Landed in ~~BM~~ Oriental Marina at 4:00 P.M., and had no "Docking Wind" Another good landing. This is a very nice Marina - Dinky little restaurant that is right at Marina - Small Super Market a short walk away - Very clean - super helpful people. In P.M. did charts - laundry - etc. and went to bed by about 10:30 P.M.

ORIENTAL MARINA
919-249-1818
MM #182
211 HAMIS

Friday 4-10-87

It is a beautiful day. Will go up to 70° - No wind - Sunny skies. Good take off at 8:28 A.M. The Neuse River is practically flat today and it reminds us of the Chesapeake.

Our plans are to put into the River Forest Marina at Belhaven for several days for R+R and clean up.

Arrived River Forest Marina, Belhaven, N.C. at 2:10 in "Docking Wind". Good landing, however.

Marina is very quaint as is the town. Included in the Marina proper is a turn of the Century Manor House (gorgeous). They rent 7 rooms and serve a famous Smorgasbord.

Dinner was super (Especially Miss Alice's Oyster fritters.) As has happened in every port, the girls vie after Richard.

We will be here at least 2 more nights.

Saturday 4-11-87

Took care of Many Repairs of minor nature (Cleaned all water intakes, etc.)

This Marina offers courtesy golf carts which are licensed to be driven on the street. The town is quaint and rings of the 1920's + 30's.

Went to Drug store, Adw. store and super market. Caught up on Laundry, windows, etc. Was a sunny day but we would have had too much wind for Albemarle Sound.

In the 70's. Ate at River Forest Manor again. Rich went out on Date with one of the waitresses.

~~Richard went out on Date~~ Must have had a good time did not get in until 2:30 A.M. What an adventure for him. He plans to see her again tomorrow afternoon. Tamara is her name and she's going to be a Vet.

Sunday 4-12-87

Another Windy Day - We're holding here, 80°+ and sunny. More time to clean up and attend to little things. Thank the Lord they are little. We'll eat aboard tonight.

It blew 30+ gusts out of the N.W. Most of the afternoon - waves were breaking on our aft portholes. Made us very itchy about weather we'll have a "go" tomorrow. We will stay at Rivei Forrest Marina again very nice people. We plan a 5:00 A.M. Wake up and 6:00 A.M. ish departure.

During daylight hours all windows were washed + Mot + Rich attended to both shower pumps (strictly maintenance)

Rivei Forrest Marina
 919-943-2151
 Belhaven
 Mrs Bernice Hall
 Call when through
 Breakwater arrived 2:10 P.M.
 Call if after 5:00 P.M. arrival
 TURN RIGHT 90° INSIDE Breaker
 Channel lines up with pier
 Departed 6:30 A.M.