Sailing Resume of Grant B. Harris

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Birth Date: January 3, 1958.

Education: Mechanical Engineering, MIT, 1981.

Occupation: Consultant, Explorative Engineering. 2015-present.

Scientific Informatics Analyst, Marine Biological Laboratory, 2001-2015.

Founder and executive of an information systems and process consultation business, 1985-2000.

Marine Skills:

- Bluewater sailor with 40 years experience in sail handling & trim, rigging, ropes & ground tackle.
- Skipper on mono and multi-hull sailboats up to 50'
- Experienced navigator with dead reckoning, GPS, LORAN, electronic charting.
- Competent with maintenance & repair of sails and rigging, gasoline and diesel engines and drivetrains, electrical systems and electronics; wood, metal and fiberglass construction and repair.
- Extensive small outboard motor boat experience in dinghies, 13', 16' and 21' Boston Whalers.
- Experienced with small sailboats, including Sunfish, Laser, Prindle 18', Rhodes 19'.

Sailing/Boating Experience Overview

- Over 400 days at sea accumulated on boats ranging from dinghies to 50 foot sloops.
- Owner of a 30' sailboat since 1991.
- Skipper for 38' yacht owned by the MIT Nautical Association.
- Racing: 45' IOR class-B sloop: Newport NOOD, Buzzards Bay Series, Block Island Race Week; Marblehead-Halifax Race; Monhegan Island Race; NYYC Series 1977: Newport, Martha's Vineyard, Nantucket; NYYC Series 1978: Portland, Camden, Jonesport; Edgartown Race Week; Long Island Sound races.
- **Deliveries**: 45' sloop from Bermuda to New York, 1978; 400 mile passage from Turks and Caicos to Puerto Rico, 1982; Rockport, Maine to Shelburne, Nova Scotia, 1999.
- **Crusing**: Captain or crew on charters through most of the Windward and Leeward Islands, from Puerto Rico to Granada.
- **Recreational**: Many voyages on Vineyard Sound, Buzzards Bay, Nantucket, Newport, Block Island, Cape Cod Bay, Boston Harbor and coastal Maine waters.

Training

- Beginning Sailing Instructor, MIT Nautical Association, summers 1998, 1999.
- Informal training while skippering MIT's 38 ft. Hinkley, Boston harbor and environs.

Marine Technician, R/V Knorr, 280'

Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution, 2002.

Technical Support for the Scientific Support Services Group. 35-day voyage aboard the R/V Knorr in the Greenland Sea, Rakiavik to Glascow; installation and removal of several laboratory instrumentation packages for chemical analysis of sea water; general technical support.



Sailing Experience Details:

"Pintail", 30' C&C, 1991 - present.

Co-owner, skipper. Extensive sailing in Vineyard Sound, Nantucket, Buzzards Bay, Newport, and Boston Harbor waters.

"Aleida", Hinckley 38', 2000 – 2001. Skipper for this yacht owned by the MIT Nautical Association. Boston and environs.

37' Beneteau Catamaran, 1995. Skipper of 5 person crew, 12 day cruise - Guadalupe, Antigua, Nevis, St. Bartes, St. Martin.

50' Beneteau Sloop, 1994. Skipper, cruise of the British Virgin Islands.

"Mbolo", J-35, Sloop, 1989. Racing crew, Newport NOOD, Buzzards Bay Series.

Beneteau 431 Sloop, 1989. Co-captain on week-long charter in the islands from St. Lucia to Grenada.

"Semper Fi", Aloha 45' Ketch, 1982. Crew and navigator, Ft. Lauderdale to Bimini, through Southern Bahama Islands, Turks and Caicos, 400 mile passage to Puerto Rico, U.S. Virgin Islands and Tortola; Boston, Newport, and other New England waters in 1983.

"Gem", Kaufman Custom 46' Sloop, 1977 and 1978. Navigator, crew and maintenance man for aluminum '46 IOR class B racing sloop on New England racing circuit, including Block Island Race Week, Marblehead - Halifax Race, Monhegan Island Race; NYYC Series 1977: Newport, Martha's Vineyard, Nantucket; NYYC Series 1978: Portland, Camden, Jonesport; Edgartown Race Week; Long Island Sound races. Bermuda to New York delivery, 1978. Extensive coastal navigation and Loran C experience.

New York '40, 1978. Crewed in NYYC Series races.

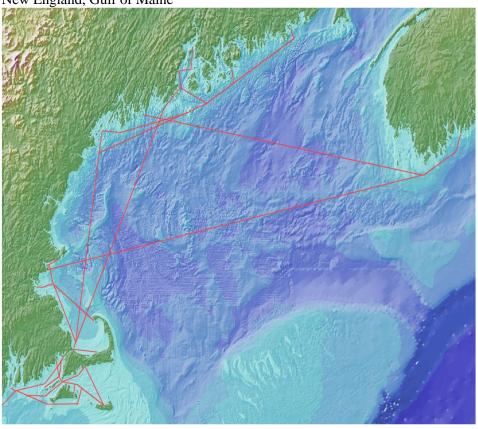
Irwin 38' Sloop, 1978. Skipper, crew of six through Virgin Islands, St. Thomas to Virgin Gorda with American University Sailing Club.

"Matagot", Morgan 41', 1976. Cruised St. Vincent and Grenadines with family.

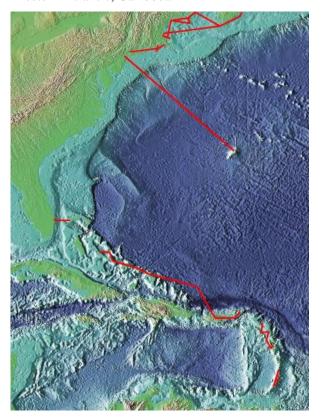
Singola 34' Sloop, 1973. Sailed U.S. and British Virgin Islands with family, 1973.

"Kittywake", Pearson 33', 1965-67. Lived onboard with family for 2 summers in New England waters.

New England, Gulf of Maine



Western Atlantic, Caribbean



R/V Knorr Cruise, Greenland Sea, 2001

