



**CDSOA Northeast Fleet  
Post-COVID Maine Cruise 2021  
Maine's Penobscot Bay and Mount Desert Island  
1-6 August 2021  
Please register by 23 July 2021!**

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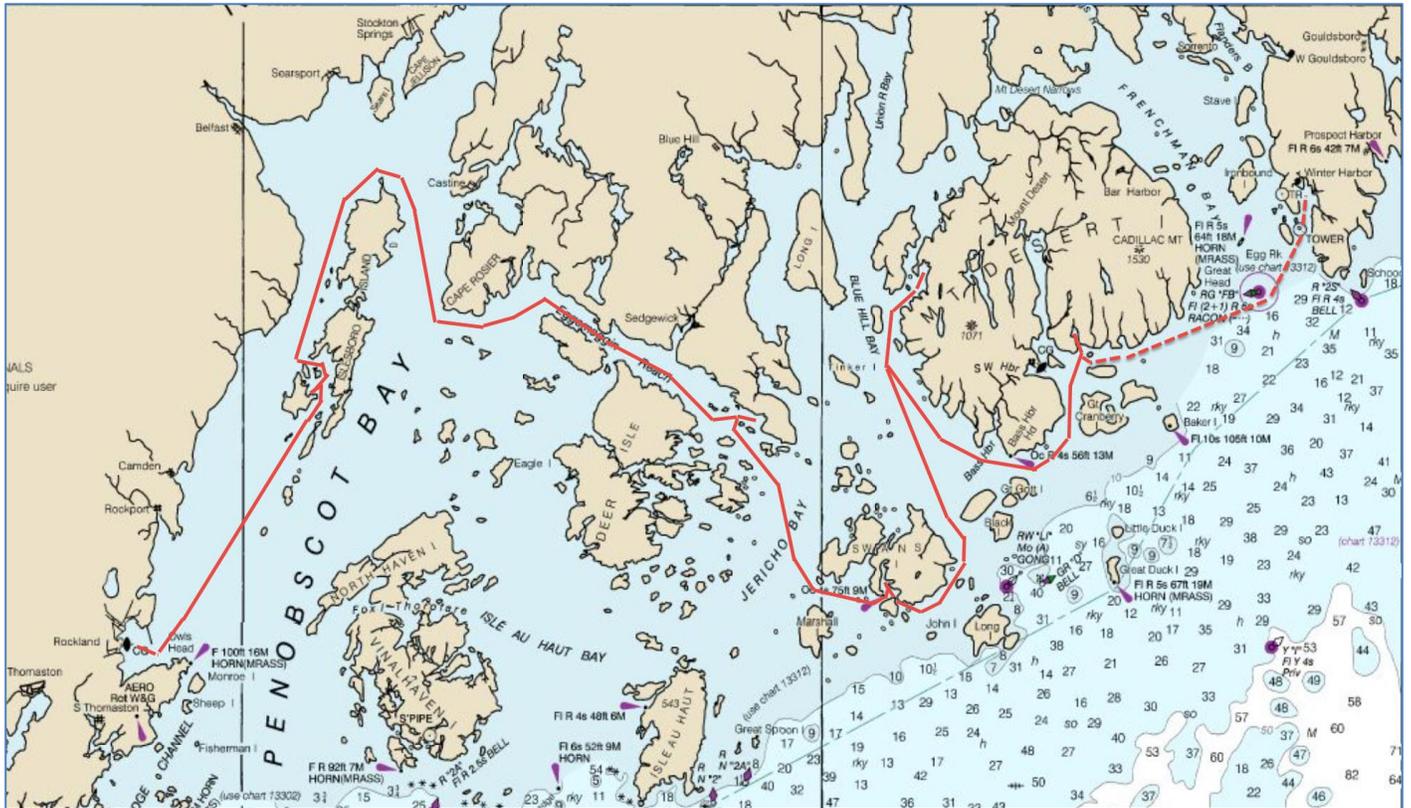
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**Maine Cruise Itinerary in Brief:**

| Date     | Day       | Location  | Activity   |
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| 1-Aug-21 | Sunday    | Rockland Harbor                                       | Participant arrival, moorings or anchoring, vessel restocking, shopping at Hamilton Marine, opening dinner / potluck cookout |
| 2-Aug-21 | Monday    | Cradle Cove, Islesboro                                | Moorings or anchorage, hiking ashore on Seven Hundred Acre Island, dinghy float-in   |
| 3-Aug-21 | Tuesday   | Wooden Boat Harbor, Eggemoggin Reach, Brooklin        | Moorings or anchoring, hiking, showers, Wooden Boat picnic dinner ashore   |
| 4-Aug-21 | Wednesday | Burnt Coat Harbor, Swans Island                       | Moorings or anchoring, hiking, swimming in abandoned quarry, optional Sweet Chariot Music Festival (COVID caution suggested) |
| 5-Aug-21 | Thursday  | Pretty Marsh Harbor, western shore of Mt. Desert Isl. | Moorings or anchorage, hiking ashore, dinghy float-in for cocktails  |
| 6-Aug-21 | Friday    | Northeast Harbor, Mt. Desert Isl.                     | Moorings, and closing dinner / potluck cookout in Northeast Harbor   |
| 7-Aug-21 | Saturday  | Winter Harbor on the Schoodic Peninsula               | After-cruise hiking on Schoodic Peninsula, and possible cruising further downeast  |

**Fleet communications will be on VHF Ch. 16 and 68.  
Please monitor these channels during the cruise.  
Hail the "Cape Dory Fleet" on channel 16.**

**Make your Rockland mooring and  
Sweet Chariot Music & Arts Festival reservations early!**



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Figure 1. Overview of the route departing Rockland Harbor (left), across Penobscot Bay and Blue Hill Bay, and arriving in Northeast Harbor, Mount Desert Island and the Schoodic Peninsula (upper right)



# CDSOA Maine Cruise 2021



**Sunday, 1 August 2021 -- Rockland Harbor**

Theme:

Most participants in the CDSOA Maine summer cruise are anticipated to arrive on Sunday. There will be a cruise opening catered/potluck, outside dinner at Landings Marina Pier at 5 PM. We will order food (pizza or barbeque) for all those participating in the cruise and just wanting to join us for dinner. You must be registered, and a CDSOA member, to qualify for the fleet dinner subsidy.

Rockland is the area's largest city and Penobscot Bay's largest harbor. There is lots of activity in the harbor: commercial fishing, a Maine state ferry terminal, and a large US Coast Guard Station. Occasionally small coastal cruise ships tie up at the Rockland municipal dock. Marine supplies and hardware are available at Hamilton Marine.

Approaches, anchorages and moorings:

Enter Rockland Harbor, heading west having come north on the west side of Penobscot Bay or through Muscle Ridge Channel. Turning to port you will pass by Owl's Head Light, and you will see Rockland Harbor, with its mile-long breakwater protecting the harbor. Pass by the lighthouse at the end of the breakwater, and head due west into the main entrance channel with the Coast Guard Station at the split in the channel. Watch out for the fast-moving ferries and commercial lobster boats.

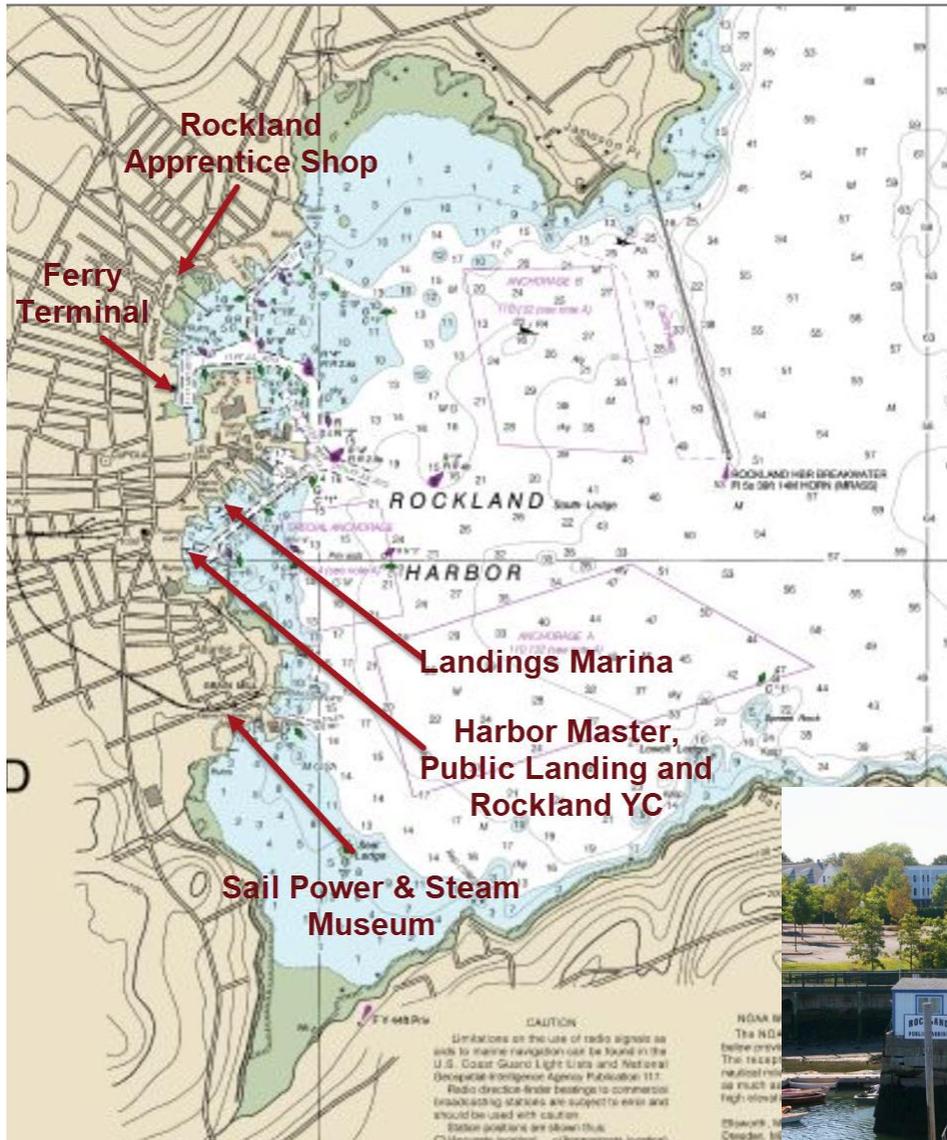
There are two general anchorages: one in the northern part of the harbor behind the breakwater offers protection from easterly chop, and the other lies in the southern part and is sometimes affected by seas raised by winds from the northeast. (**NOTE:** *Anchorage A and B are general anchorage grounds reserved for merchant vessels, commercial vessels or passenger vessels over 65 feet in length.*) The small craft anchorage is in the western part and is convenient to local amenities. All are noted for excellent holding. The Rockland Port District Terminal Wharf, on the west side of Lermond Cove, is the ferry terminal. The wharf is 280 feet long and has a ferry slip, a lift bridge, and ramp; depths of 11 feet are reported alongside. A private light on the wharf operates only upon the approach of a ferry.

In addition, there are several private and public wharves and piers on the west side of the harbor that are used by vessels and barges engaged in coastwise shipping. Depths at these facilities are reported to range from about 6 to 14 feet.

The Rockland Harbormaster, Ryan Murray, can be reached on VHF 9/11 or by calling 207-594-0312. Rockland Public Landing, with depths of 6 to 15 feet along its float landing, is on the west side of the harbor. Water and electricity are available at the float, and several dozen nearby moorings are maintained by the harbormaster on a first-come, first-served basis. Dockage is also available at the Rockland Apprenticeshop (207-594-1800).

Moorings are also available from Rockland Landings Marina (207-594-4899/207-596-6573 and VHF CH. 9), Knight Marine Service (207-594-4068 and VHF CH. 9 or 16), and Journeys End Marina (207-594-0400 and VHF CH. 9 or 16). Several marinas and boatyards offer hull, engine, and electronic repairs. Check your cruising guide for reviews and more information on local services.

For the Evening: Catered/potluck dinner at **The Landings Marina Dock/Deck** at 5 PM. More information will be provided to registered cruise participants.



Not for navigation. Use NOAA Chart #13307.



Public Landing, Harbormaster and RYC

**Figure 2. Rockland Harbor**  
Use tide tables for Portland. Mean tidal range is about 9 feet.

## Monday, 2 August 2021 -- Warren Island and Cradle Cove at 700 Hundred Acre Island

### Theme:

Spruce and Warren Island lie due north of Seven Hundred Acre Island and are almost connected to it. An unspoiled cove lies between them, well protected from the prevailing southwesterlies but open to the north.

Seventy-six-acre Warren Island is a state park, "Given for the benefit and enjoyment of visitors to coastal Maine" by the Town of Islesboro in 1959. The state maintains several moorings in the cove and a landing float on the east side of the island. Spruce-needle trails meander from there through the woods past various rustic campsites, west to a view of the Camden Hills, and south to a shale beach overlooking Cradle Cove. For information about the park, call (207) 596-2253. Woodsy trails lead around and through the

island. If it is sunny and the tide is up, the beach at the south end is a tempting place for a dip. As you explore, you can still see the 100 by 100-foot foundation of one of the most expensive rustic cottages ever built in New England. The dream cabin of William Folwell from Philadelphia was named “Mon Reve” or “My Dream” and contained 22 bedrooms and a living room 60 feet by 30 feet. But a dream it was. Folwell died before its completion, and his descendants used it only occasionally in the years that followed. Seldom occupied, it became a magnet for local picnics and parties, and the grand structure burned in 1919.

If your dinghy is substantial, you can reach Grindel Point from our anchorage to visit the Islesboro Marine Museum. Tie-up to the floats east of the ferry landing, but stay out of the way of the ferry, which makes frequent runs from Lincolnville Beach. The museum is located at the old lighthouse on Grindle Point. It is open daily, with charming displays of local history and memorabilia. The lighthouse was built in 1850, but it was decommissioned in the 1930s. Over fifty years later, in 1987, the Coast Guard reactivated the light, and it is now automated and operational. The ferry landing has a pay phone, with picnic tables nearby. Try The Landing takeout, serving local dairy, produce, and seafood. After visiting Warren Island or the Lighthouse Museum on Islesboro, there are showers, a self-service laundry, fuel, ice, and a small marine store available at the Dark Harbor Boat Yard, if you decide to pick up their mooring.

Approaches: There are several approaches to these anchorages coming from Rockland. One can approach from the south, passing between 700 acre and Islesboro Islands, especially if you are planning to stay in Cradle Cove. Alternatively, if you intend to visit Warren Island, one can approach from the west, sailing up West Penobscot Bay channel, passing by 700 acre and Warren Islands on your starboard side, then turning to starboard, and entering the channel, and head southward down the middle of the slot between Warren and Spruce Islands for the northern anchorage.

Anchorage and Moorings: There will be two possible anchorages for the fleet. There is more space in Cradle Cove, there are moorings with Dark Harbor Boat Yard, and there is also plenty of room to anchor. The alternate northern anchorage is in the cove between Warren Island and Spruce Island. There are state-maintained moorings that are about dead center in the cove in a north-south line with red floats marked “Warren Isl S. P.”. They are available on a first-come, first-served basis, and my experience is that these are generally occupied by other cruisers. There is also some room to anchor in the middle of the slot, in 9 to 12 feet of water at low, but do not go much past the pier on Warren Island, where it starts to shoal rapidly. The bottom is mud that holds well. Anchor in the area indicated in the chartlet in **Figure 3** below. **Dream Catcher II** will be on a DHBV mooring.

For the Crew: There is great hiking on both 700 acre island and Warren island.

Pre-Dinner dinghy float-in will be hosted by Nancy and Joe adjacent to **Dream Catcher** on a Dark Harbor Boat Yard mooring at 5:30 PM. Come in your dinghy, bring your beverage of choice, and let’s get caught up.



**The landing at Dark Harbor Boat Yard**

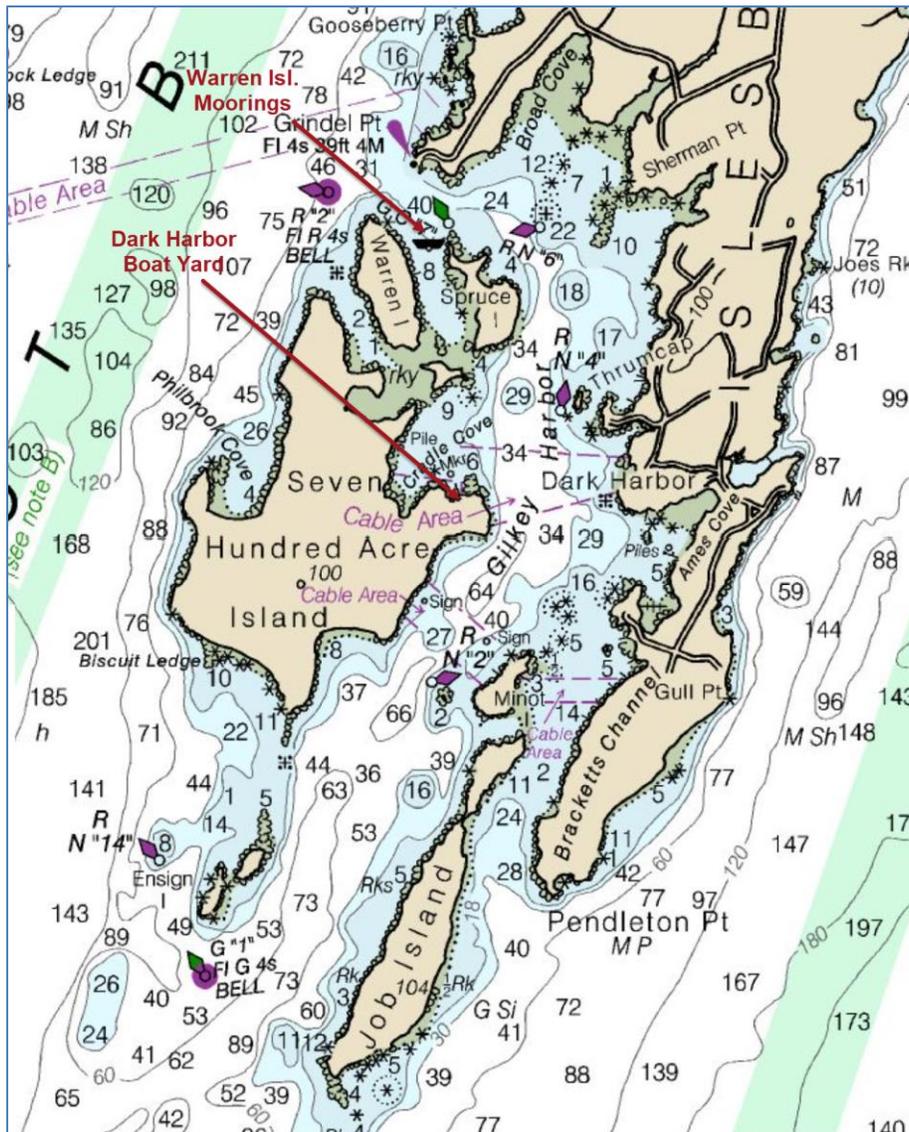


Figure 3. Cradle Cove at 700 Acre Island and Warren Island

## Tuesday, 3 August 2021 -- WoodenBoat on Eggemoggin Reach

### Theme:

Near the eastern end of Eggemoggin Reach, on the north side, is the rambling, whitewashed brick estate that serves as the headquarters of WoodenBoat Magazine. On the grounds nearby are the large, red-brick stables housing the WoodenBoat School of Boatbuilding. There are some moorings out front, and visitors are welcome.

WoodenBoat Magazine was founded on a shoestring in 1974 by Jon Wilson. Against all odds, including a disastrous fire, this seductive magazine became the bellwether of a resurgent interest in wooden boats. In 1985, it achieved the astonishing circulation of 100,000, almost as high as the large yachting publications, and it has continued to grow. The associated summer school provides short courses in boatbuilding skills of all kinds, bringing in as instructors master boatbuilders, surveyors, and sailmakers. The atmosphere in

the school is a wonderful blend of wood shavings, modern epoxy glues, practical work, and fun. Stop here for a visit if you want to learn about wooden boats or simply watch how these beautiful objects are built. The school also offers courses on the water, teaching seamanship in a variety of traditional craft from schooners to Friendship sloops and small open boats. Row to the dinghy float and walk up the dock past the green boathouse.

### Approaches:

It is about 15 miles from Cradle Cove to WoodenBoat. There are two options depending on the tidal current and wind. One is to depart Cradle Cove, head south, then turn east, passing south of Lassell Island, and then turn northeast and head toward Cape Rossier, and the entrance to Eggemoggin Reach. Alternatively, one can exit the anchorages, head north in West Penobscot bay Channel, then round the north end of Islesboro Island, then head southeast to round Cape Rossier, and enter Eggemoggin Reach. Once in Eggemoggin Reach, it is only a few scenic miles to WoodenBoat.

### Anchorage and moorings:

Anchor in good mud 10 to 12-feet deep or check with the school to see whether a mooring is available. Moorings are usually available on a first come, first served basis and are \$25 for the evening. Hard south or south-easterlies make the anchorage pretty lumpy. There are showers available at the WoodenBoat campground, and these are sometimes available to cruisers using a mooring.

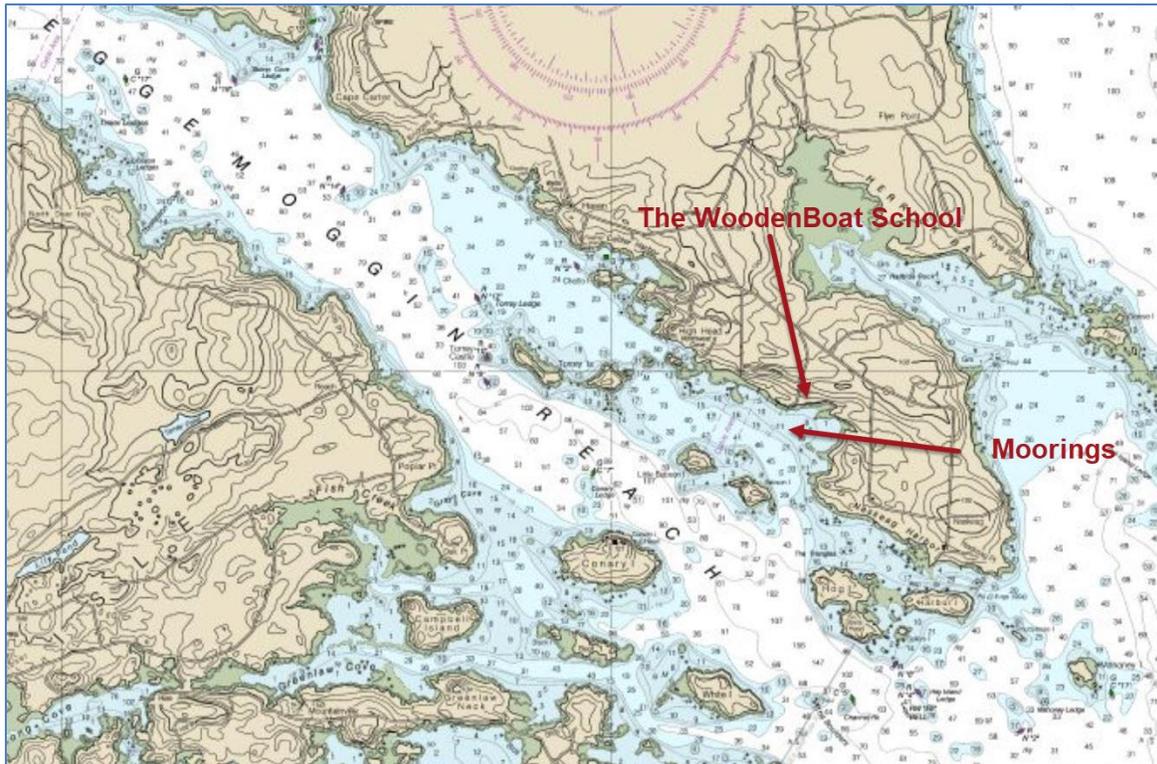
### Things to Do:

There is hiking ashore, touring the WoodenBoat facility, and retail store (great T-shirts). You can also hike into Brooklin, about 1.5 miles each way.

We hope to have a potluck dinner ashore at the picnic tables just up the hill from the WoodenBoat Landing, if it is available. More information on this will be available at the cruise registration.



**WoodenBoat School Landing Float**



**Not for navigation. Use NOAA Chart #13302, 13309, 13313, 13316**

**Figure 4. WoodenBoat, Eggemoggin Reach**  
Use tide tables for Portland. Mean tidal range is about 9 feet.

## **Wednesday, 4 August 2021 -- Burnt Coat Harbor, Swan's Island**

Theme: Burnt Coat Harbor is an attractive, well-protected harbor on the south shore of Swan's Island. It is also a working harbor with lots of lobster fishing boats, and a salmon aquaculture operation nearby. There is a quarry near the public landing on Long Cove, across the harbor from the general anchorage that is a great freshwater swimming hole. There is also hiking there and elsewhere on the island.

We are in Burnt Coat Harbor to attend the **Sweet Chariot Music & Arts Festival**. The festival starts on Tuesday, 3 August and ends on Friday, 5 August. In the past, there has been a free concert in the harbor "Shanties on Shipboard" at 3:30 PM. The ketch "Red Bird" will sail through the fleet of boats with musicians singing and playing. We hope and anticipate that there will also be a free harbor concert this year. The main event is in the evening and an amazing collection of musicians from many places perform in the Odd Fellows Hall located about a 20-minute walk from the west side of the harbor.

Those wishing to attend the 7:30 PM evening concert should **purchase tickets in advance** as the shows often sell out. Tickets are \$20 per person per night and can be picked up at the concert door. Festival organizers also ask for each boat to contribute a \$25 tax-deductible yacht reservation fee to help defray costs of putting on the event. To reserve your tickets and see a partial list of performers visit their website at: <http://sweetchariotmusicfestival.com/>.

In 2016 the CDSOA Maine cruise stopped in Burnt Coat harbor for the music festival, and we all agreed **it was great fun**.

**NOTE:** As of a 5 June 2021 email with the concert organizers of the Sweet Chariot Music Festival, the current plan may be changed to "Shantying in Mackerel Cove on the north side of Swan's Island" with the concert show in Doug Day's barn on the Atlantic side (near Mackerel Cove), if the Oddfellows' Hall remains closed. **Please check the festival website and Facebook pages for the most recent updates.** We will confirm the details of the harbor concert at the cruise registration.

## Sweet Chariot Music Festival

To inquire about reservations, send a name and phone number to [sweetchariotmusicfestival@gmail.com](mailto:sweetchariotmusicfestival@gmail.com) and we will contact you within 24 hours.

For the Swan's Island Concerts:

Please make checks payable to:

**Before June 1, 2021, please send checks for donations, tickets and reservations to:**

Douglas Day  
30 Belmont Ave.  
Camden, ME 04843

**After June 1, 2021, please send checks for donations, tickets and reservations to:**

Douglas Day  
156 Atlantic Loop Rd.  
Swan's Island, ME 04685

Yachtsmen's Reservations  
Fee: \$25 - Tax Deductable

Shows sell out. Use It!

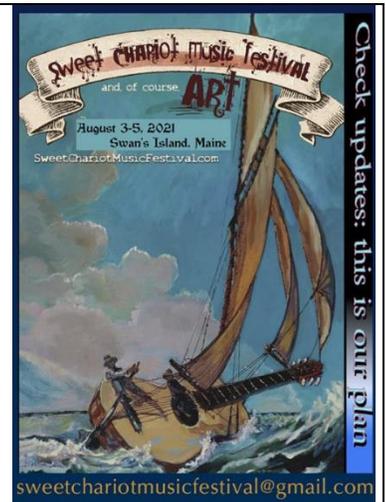
*AT ALL TIMES, THE BEST RESERVATION METHOD FOR TICKETS IS:*

[sweetchariotmusicfestival@gmail.com](mailto:sweetchariotmusicfestival@gmail.com) (it will show up as Shamis Fastook, head usher)

This email will immediately record your request for tickets. THEN SEND YOUR CHECK TO SECURE AND PAY FOR THE TICKETS TO THE ABOVE ADDRESSES AS APPROPRIATE. Be sure to request how many nights and which dates. We perform over three nights!

Approaches:

It is about 10 miles from WoodenBoat to Burnt Coat Harbor. Burnt Coat Harbor is located on the south side of Swan's Island. Continue east across Jericho Bay between Marshall and Swan's Islands and into Toothacher Bay.



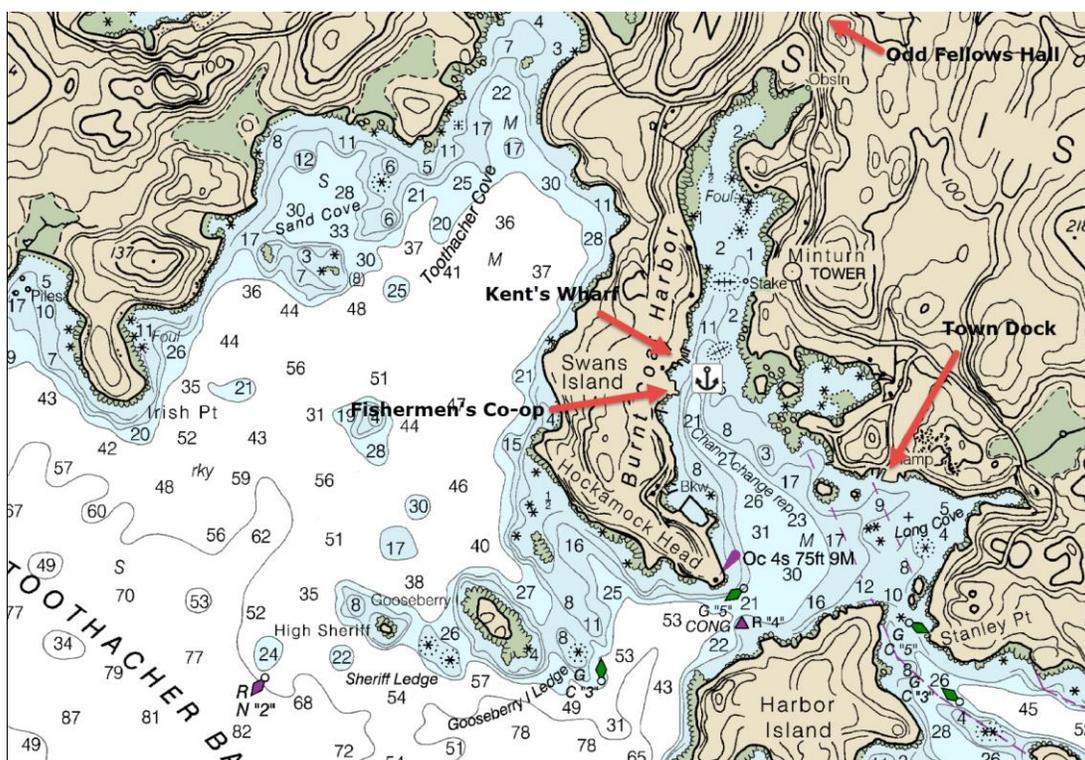
Approaching Burnt Coat Harbor from the west give Sheriff and Gooseberry ledges in Toothacher Bay a wide berth to port and head up the middle between green "3" to port and Harbor Island to starboard. The square white lighthouse on Hockamock Head is conspicuous. Enter the harbor between the red beacon "4" off Harbor Island and green gong "5". There is plenty of room to drop your sails after entering. Anchor or pick up a mooring along the west side of the harbor. We will be spending one night here. For more information on Swan's Island: <http://www.swansisland.org/>

### Anchorage and Moorings:

On the west side of the harbor there are a number of privately owned green moorings intended for transient use with a simple payment system, leave cash, typically \$25, in the soda bottle attached to the float!

There is also plenty of room to anchor along the western side of the harbor outside the moorings and northward, in 17 to 25 feet at low. Holding is good, in a mud bottom. It is also possible to anchor north of Harbor Island, but the swells may give you an uncomfortable night.

Dinner is on your own, as some will be going ashore for the 7:30 PM concert. It is about a 10-15 minute walk to the Odd Fellows Hall from the Fisherman's Co-op Dock.



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**Figure 5. Burnt Coat Harbor, Swans Island**

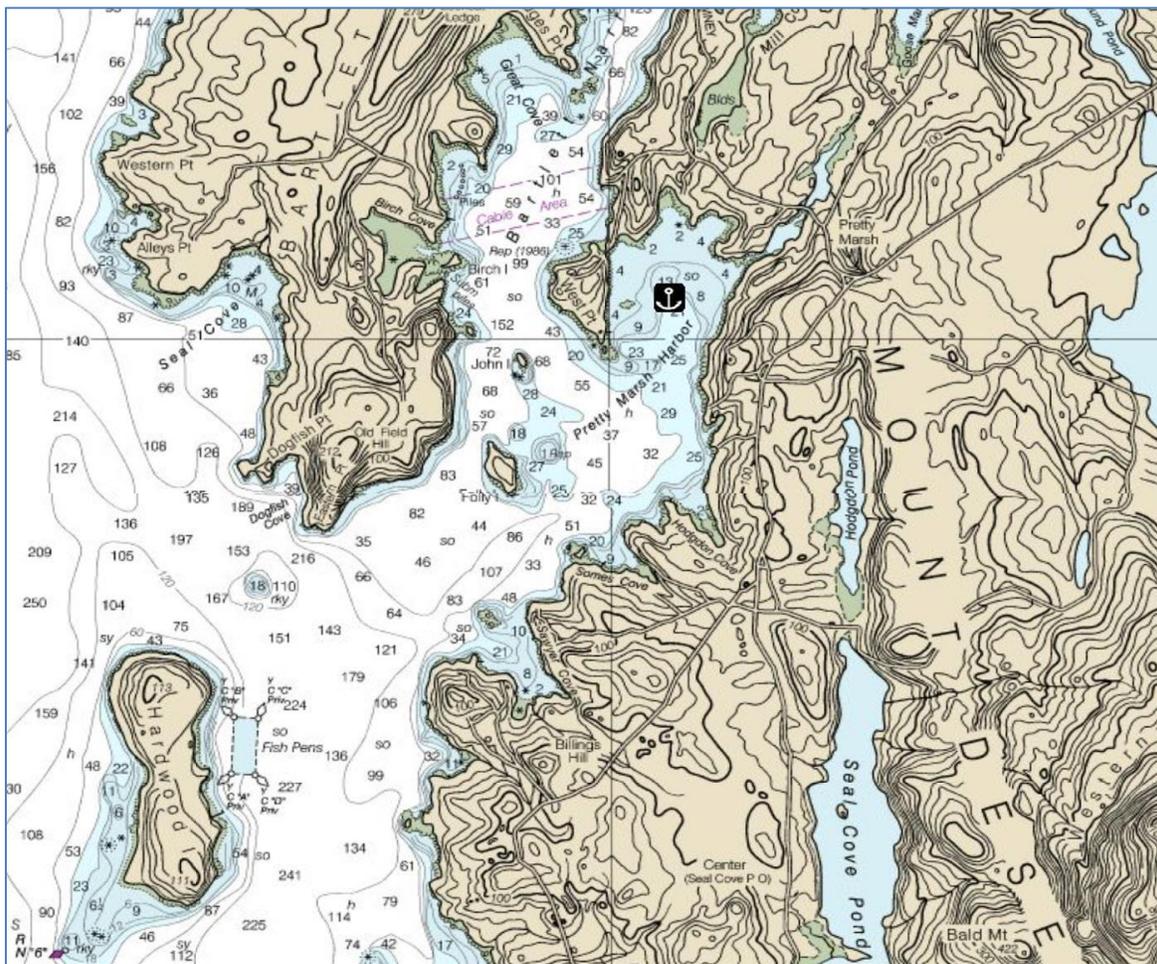
Use tide tables for Portland. High tide is approximately 20 minutes before high at Portland. Mean tidal range is about 9.5 feet.

## Thursday, 5 August 2021 -- Pretty Marsh Harbor

Theme – On the west side of Mount Desert Island, inside Bartlett Island, Pretty Marsh Harbor provides good protection in a tranquil setting. To the southwest there are islands beyond islands, with handsome buildings and meadows on Hardwood Island in view. The anchorage is adjacent to the Pretty Marsh Harbor landing of Acadia National Park, and there is access to an Acadia NPS hiking trail.

Approaches – Depart Burnt Coat Harbor, Swan's Island, taking the eastern exit around Stanly Point. Note the green buoys and keep them on your starboard side exiting the harbor. Turn north, and pass between Swans Island and Long Island, leaving Placenta, Black and Great Gott Islands to starboard. Continue north, leaving Bass Harbor and Mount Desert Island on your starboard side. Approaching from the south, run inside Hardwood Island. Hardwood is 113 feet high and wooded. Leave Folly Island, which is low and bushy with a few trees well to port. The ledge about 250 yards east of Folly is covered 3 feet at low. Entering Pretty Marsh Harbor, favor the eastern side to avoid the shoal extending 350 yards southeast of West Point.

Anchorage – Anchor in the middle of the harbor in 8 to 21 feet at low. Holding ground varies from hard to good mud. Make sure the hook is in. Protection is good all around except in a heavy southwesterly. We will plan to have a dinghy cocktail float-in at 5:00 PM adjacent to **Dream Catcher II**. Hiking available on shore from the NPS Landing.



**Not for Navigation. Use NOAA Charts #13312 and 13316**

**Figure 6. Pretty Marsh Harbor, Mt. Desert Island**  
Use tide tables for Portland. Mean tidal range is about 9 feet

## Friday, 6 August 2021 -- Northeast Harbor, MDI

### Theme:

From Pretty Marsh, we will cruise south, then east around Mount Desert Island and finally north into Northeast Harbor. We'll be here most of Friday, and best to arrive around 11 AM which is checkout time for those leaving moorings which are available on a first-come/first-served basis. We suggest that you arrive early because there is so much to explore. From Northeast Harbor we can take advantage of the island's public transportation and visit Bar Harbor or Acadia National Park. You can also take your dinghy across the harbor to Asticou Landing and visit the Asticou and Thuya Gardens. Shops and restaurants abound and there's a market and laundromat nearby.

### Approaches:

It is about 12 miles from Pretty Marsh Harbor to Northeast harbor. Having rounded Bass Harbor Head channel, from the west, approach through Western Way, between Great Cranberry Island and Mount Desert Island, starting at gong "1" off Long Ledge. The beginning of the narrower portion is marked by red-and-white bell "WW," followed by a nun and a can marking shoal areas on each side. Thereafter, the passage is clear to the nun on Cow Ledge, which you leave to starboard, and red-and-white gong "SP," marking the end of Western Way. Red bell "2," west of Bear Island, should be left to starboard. After that, the entrance is wide and clear.

### Anchorage

This is a busy harbor with lots of boats and a full range of marine services. It is not possible to anchor in Northeast Harbor, nor is it possible to reserve a mooring in advance of the day you arrive. Moorings are available on a first-come, first-served basis from Northeast Harbor Marina (VHF CH. 9/68; 207-276-5737) – this is the "town dock". Once you reach the *flashing red nun "2"*, hail the Harbormaster on VHF CH. 9/68 to arrange for a mooring, float or slip.

There are 50 town moorings identified by bright green pickup buoys and 3 digits on a float. They vary by weight. Boats 40-50 feet should use 400-series moorings; 30-40 feet should use 300-series moorings; and 20-30 feet should use 200-series moorings. There are also anchored rafts. The fees are reasonable with floats starting at \$25 per night for 200 and \$40 for 300 series moorings.

Water, ice and pumpout facilities are available at the town dock. If you need fuel, it can be had at Clifton Dock (VHF CH. 9; 207-276-5308) which is located farther south towards the harbor's entrance along the western shore. Water and ice are also available at Clifton Dock and they may have moorings if none are available from the town dock. The locations of Northeast Harbor Marina (town dock) and Clifton Dock are indicated on the chartlet on the following page.

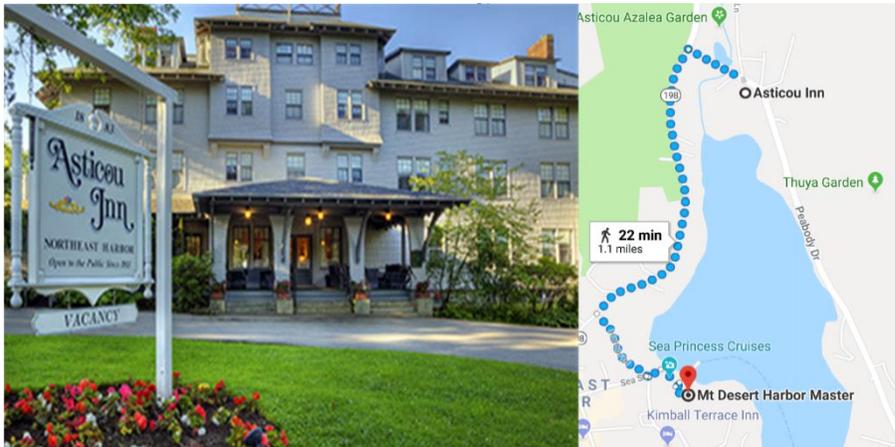
### Dinner

The tentative plan is to have a cruise closing dinner outdoors ashore at the Asticou Inn, 15 Peabody Drive, Northeast Harbor at 6 PM. You can take your dinghy to the Asticou landing dock and walk to the inn, or you can walk from the Northeast Harbor landing to the inn. We are working on those reservations at this time. Alternatively, we will hold a picnic barbecue dinner ashore in the park adjacent to the Northeast Harbor, Harbor Master's office. There will be hot dogs and burgers cooked on an available grill. Please bring a side to be shared for the potluck portion of the dinner.



**Not for navigation. Use NOAA Chart #13321.**

**Figure 7. Northeast harbor, Mount Desert Island**  
 Use tide tables for Portland. Mean tidal range is about 9 feet



**Asticou Inn**

# Register for this cruise by **July 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2021**

by sending an email to Joe DeAlteris at:

[jdealeris@uri.edu](mailto:jdealeris@uri.edu)

Please include the following information in your email:

Your name and the names of all your crew members.

Boat's name and model.

Email address.

Cell Phone #

Please indicate which ports you'll be visiting during the cruise:

1. Rockland. 2. Cradle Cove. 3. WoodenBoat. 4. Swan's Island. 5. Pretty Marsh Harbor.

6. Northeast Harbor. 7. Winter Harbor

And any additional comments.

**Note that the total amount of CDSOA NE fleet subsidy for this cruise is based on the number of official registrations, so to receive your subsidy for the opening and closing dinners, you must be registered and a CDSOA member.**

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**ALL OWNERS OF BOTH CAPE DORY AND ROBINHOOD POWER AND SAILBOATS,  
CDSOA MEMBERS AND NON-MEMBERS, ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND.**

**ALL CAPTAINS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR THEIR OWN NAVIGATION  
AND THE SAFETY OF THEIR VESSELS AND CREW.**

**USE NOAA CHARTS 13302, 13305, 13307, 13308, 13309, 13312, 13313, 13316, 13318, 13322 AND  
OTHERS.**

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## Web Resources:

Active Captain: <http://www.activecaptain.com/>

The Landings Marina, Rockland: <https://rocklandlandingsmarina.com/>

Asticou Inn: <http://www.asticou.com/>

Maine Coast Heritage Trust Preserves: <http://www.mcht.org/preserves/index.php>

Maine Coast Internet Guide: <https://www.maine coastguide.com/>

Maine Harbors: <http://www.maineharbors.com/>

Maptech.com: <http://www.maptech.com/>

NOAA Office of Coast Survey Chart Catalog: <https://www.charts.noaa.gov/InteractiveCatalog/nrnc.shtml>

Northeast Harbor: <https://acadiamagic.com/NortheastHarbor.html>

Swan's Island: <http://www.swansisland.org/>

Sweet Chariot Music Festival - Swan's Island: <http://sweetchariotmusicfestival.com/>

Warren Island State Park Map: <https://www.maine.gov/dacf/parks/camping/pdf/WarrenIsland.pdf>

## Recommended Resource/Reading:

Credits – much of the information above was directly quoted from —A Cruising Guide to the Maine Coast, by Hank and Jan Taft, Curtis Rindlaub, Diamond Pass Publishing, Inc., Maptech Embassy Guide – New England Coast, and Active Captain.