

Report for Women's Sailing meeting on October 7, 2017

– submitted by Lesa Dailey, Coordinator for Women's Sailing

Topic: “Black & Blue Management” led by Julie Stocksdale

Attendance (7 women, 1 man): Martha Bindshedler, Lesa Dailey, Becky DeVillier, Deb Doyle,

Sally Marcinek, Julie Stocksdale, Claire Wittnebert. **Men:** John Stocksdale

Julie Stocksdale presented a detailed program on water management on a boat – both black (dirty) and blue (clean) water. A few pointers from her presentation are below.

1. Jerry jugs can be a great source of extra water. Carry them on deck by securing a board to the stanchions with a U-bolt and tying the jugs to that. Cover the jugs with dark sunbrella fabric, as sunlight will cause algae to grow in the jugs. Also treat the jug water with whatever you treat your water tank with – chlorine or treatment tablets.
2. Route shower water to a shower sump pump.
3. Make sure NO petroleum products get in the bilge water. Can get a fine for discharge and also could cause a spark.
4. In lieu of a head, can use a bucket with bags created for this purpose. (Walmart)
5. Never use a corrugated hose for waste.
6. Always use 2 hose clamps for waste hoses.
7. Have a vented loop anywhere a hose goes below the water line.
8. Put vinegar in the lines the night before pumping out. Helps with calcium buildup.
9. Add some vegetable oil right before pumping out. Keeps lines lubricated.
10. Use marine or camping toilet cleaner for head. Never Clorox products.
11. Need to make sure there is always oxygen in your tank.
12. Accurate water level sensor for water and holding tanks: <http://electrosense.com.au/>
13. Don't put anything in your toilet (head) that hasn't previously been eaten.
14. Julie recommends K.O. Holding Tank Treatment. Needs to be a clean tank with put it in.

https://www.amazon.com/Raritan-Potty-Pack-2-22-Bottles/dp/B00IO5K1JS/ref=sr_1_3?ie=UTF8&qid=1508165279&sr=8-3&keywords=K.O.+marine+cleaner

Kayaking excursion: October 28, 2017. Leaving from Becky & Sally's house at 9am. Details have been sent out. Please RSVP to Lesa - lesaydailey@gmail.com

Next meeting:

November 4, 2017. “In House – Boat Open House” Organized and led by Cathy Hodge. Cathy is lining up TSS member boats for barefoot tours.

Please join us if you can! 😊

Remember, please begin thinking of programs you would like to see for 2018.

I'm working on a survey to help us take all of your suggestions to make better programming. Email lesaydailey@gmail.com with your questions, thoughts, comments, suggestions, or to be added to the TSS Women's Sailing email list.

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