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The wind powers everything a sailor does and this book will help you to understand it. As a result you will be more prepared for your race, able to anticipate changes in the wind better and know what to do when they come. The first edition of this book was published in 1986, and it has been the go-to wind book for dinghy champions ever since. This new-look fourth edition is fully updated for modern forecasting and analyses a revised set of popular racing venues around the world: unveiling what to expect from the weather at over 25 regatta locations, it will get you ahead of the competition and powering up the leaderboard.

Since the death of her husband, Anne Dunne and her three children have struggled in every way. In a last ditch effort to save the family, Anne plans an elaborate sailing vacation to bring everyone together once again. But only an hour out of port, everything is going wrong. The teenage daughter, Carrie, is planning to drown herself. The teenage son, Mark, is high on drugs and ten-year-old Ernie is nearly catatonic.

This is the worst vacation ever. Anne manages to pull things together bit by bit, but just as they begin feeling like a family again, something catastrophic happens. Survival may be the least of their concerns. Written with the blistering pace and shocking twists that only James Patterson can master, SAIL takes "Lost" and "Survivor" to a new level of terror.

Approachable, informative and entertaining, John Vigor writes an alphabetical reference that shares the wealth of his experience and helps sailors new and old avoid unfortunate mistakes aboard their vessel. Fun to browse and easy to search.

The Sailing Master-Book Two: The Long Passage Readers

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will happily yield to the spell cast by Book Two without having to first read Book One! Conflict. Love. Commitment & Betrayal . . . all abound in this intrepid novel of the sea set in the Golden Age of Sail. The looming shadow of the Napoleonic War dims the waning glow of the Enlightenment, yet Owen Harriet's heartfelt narrative provides insight into the human condition. And an overarching question emerges . . . is this chronicle simply the story of a man, or of an entire age? From the opening broadside at the Battle of the Nile to the ironic conclusion off Ushant, Owen continues to come of age, maintaining a steadfast relationship with his beloved mentor, Ignatius Comet Lau, HMS Eleanor's esteemed Sailing Master. Deep within French Indochina. Lost on the Mekong River. Owen befriends an inscrutable boy monk, only to fall prey to a demonic French privateer. A powerful enigma continues to haunt Owen and he begins to understand. A premonition of unknown origin? An Oracle? Or a remnant calling from his own childhood imagination.

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sailing are measured. Used throughout America as a textbook in sailing schools and Power Squadrons, The Annapolis Book of Seamanship thoroughly and clearly covers the fundamental and advanced skills of modern sailing. This edition of Annapolis is a major overhaul. Over half the book has been revised; old topics and features have been updated, and many new ones have been introduced. The design has been modernized, and many color illustrations have been added. As big and detailed as Annapolis is, the wealth of technical information (including dozens of step-by-step instructions) is presented here in a way that is uniquely readable; it's both useful and easy to use. This is because John Rousmaniere and artist Mark Smith bring to Annapolis decades of experience both as sailors and as professional communicators. Annapolis emphasizes the standard skills and proven methods that eliminate error and confusion, ensure security in emergencies, and allow every sailor more time for enjoyment on the water. Much has changed on the water since 1983 when this book was originally published. Black buoys are now green, the Global Positioning Satellite navigation system (GPS) is almost universally used, new types of anchors and sails have appeared, safety skills and gear are vastly improved, many more women are commanding boats, and catamarans and trimarans are common where only monohulls used to sail. But for all these modern developments, the basic skills and spirit of sailing have not changed at all. Sail trimming, keeping up steerageway, maintaining the dead reckoning plot, heaving-to -- these fundamentals are as important now as ever and receive much attention here. Among the innovations in this edition are: * Basic skills in early chapters: Fundamental sailing and boat-handling skills and gear, which are introduced in chapters 1, 2, and 3. * "Hands On" segments: Three dozen special sections, each devoted to a particular

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seamanship problem and an expert solution. * More how-to tips: Additional rules of thumb that guide a crew quickly and successfully through seamanship problems. * New coverage of multihulls: Advice on evaluating, anchoring, and handling catamarans and trimarans under sail (including in storms). * More on emergencies: New material on emergencies, safety, and heavy-weather sailing, including a section on preparing a docked boat for a hurricane. * Equipment updates: Expanded coverage of the use and care of modern gear and hardware, including radar, GPS, rescue devices, and asymmetrical spinnakers. * Terminology: Full definition and illustration of major terms when they're first introduced, with alternative language provided in parentheses. * Gender: The use of feminine personal pronouns, which reflect the fact that more women are captaining and sailing boats than ever before.

From navigation and seamanship to boat and gear maintenance, from pleasure cruising to heavy-weather sailing, here is the definitive, state-of-the-art guide that provides systematic step-by-step techniques to see you through every situation on deck and in the cockpit.

What can the architecture of ancient ships tell us about their capacity to carry cargo or to navigate certain trade routes? How do such insights inform our knowledge of the ancient economies that depended on maritime trade across the Mediterranean? These and similar questions lie behind *Sailing from Polis to Empire*, a fascinating insight into the practicalities of trading by boat in the ancient world. Allying modern scientific knowledge with Hellenistic sources, this interdisciplinary collection brings together experts in various fields of ship archaeology to shed new light on the role played by ships and sailing in the exchange networks of the Mediterranean. Covering all parts of the Eastern Mediterranean, these outstanding contributions delve into a broad array of data – literary, epigraphical, papyrological,

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iconographic and archaeological – to understand the trade routes that connected the economies of individual cities and kingdoms. Unique in its interdisciplinary approach and focus on the Hellenistic period, this collection digs into the questions that others don't think to ask, and comes up with (sometimes surprising) answers. It will be of value to researchers in the fields of naval architecture, Classical and Hellenistic history, social history and ancient geography, and to all those with an interest in the ancient world or the seafaring life.

The crew of a racing boat is as important as the helmsman – they work as a team to sail as fast as they can. But different members of that team have different roles in the boat. In addition to the obvious roles which belong to the crew – trimming the jib and spinnaker and helping keep the boat upright – the crew can also contribute to tactics, boat tuning, watching the competition and so on. In this book, Olympic gold medallist crew, Saskia Clark, describes all that is needed to become a top-rate crew, or just be a better crew at whatever level you want to compete at. She initially takes you through getting started as a crew and team – choosing a boat and setting your goals. She then turns to the specific crewing skills of hiking, trapezing, tacking, gybing, handling the spinnaker and having good boatspeed on each leg of the course. The focus then turns to racing and particularly the roles of each member of the team, communication, decision making and execution around the race course. Finally, she brings it all together with advice on how you can be the best crew and a great team. Packed with photographs this is the ultimate book for crews whether they are trying to win a championship or just wanting to sail at their local club. If your helm doesn't buy it for you, treat yourself!

Before the WindA novelVintage

As Peter Carlyle waves his wife, children and brother-in-law

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off on a sailing holiday, all they have in mind is lying back and relaxing. But as a violent storm breaks out, an explosion causes the boat to vanish without a trace and the family are lost, presumed dead. Until now. When a message in a bottle is washed up on a shore, it becomes apparent that there must have been at least one survivor. Peter is a broken man, he appears to struggle to contain his grief as he holds a heartfelt TV interview about his loss. But all is not as it seems, beneath the grief lies a more sinister side, Peter is involved with a beautiful - and dangerous - younger woman and it soon transpires that he knows more about his family's disappearance than he is letting on. He seeks to find whatever remains of his family, but is he really looking for a happy reunion? And could it be that it isn't just Peter who is hot on the Dunne family's trail? The race is on to rescue any survivors and discover what happened aboard the luxury yacht.

This bestselling pocket-sized racing rules book is unique in covering the rules by race situation. It explains the rules affecting each part of the race course, from the start line, round the marks and on to the finish line. The entire 2013-2016 racing rules are also included in this edition. This book is ideal for all racers because the rules are explained by race situation, using helpful diagrams to show the rules that apply all around the race course. The rules are graded for all levels of competition - club, national and international championship. This unique method of presentation has proved extremely popular with racers over ten editions. Sail On Examining the "ships" of the Christian life. In many ways the life of a Christ follower is like a journey on the water. There are days when the sailing is smooth and easy - enjoyable! There are other days when the wind and waves seem to be working against you. It should come as no surprise that many of the traits, activities, and events of the

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Christians are called a "ship." In fact, it seems that faith has a fleet of its own. Some of these include: ? Discipleship ? Lordship ? Stewardship ? Battleship ? Hardship ? Fellowship ? Membership ? Workmanship ??? Worship ??? Citizenship These ideas, and so many more, are featured in the book, *Sail On*. Every chapter is a life lesson with some aids for your navigation. Wherever you are in your life's journey, you are sure to profit from these very applicable words. Read them and reap!

RYA Tactics is the go-to handbook for all sailors and coaches interested in improving their performance on the race course. Written by sailing tactics specialist Mark Rushall, it is based on his many years of successful dinghy and keelboat racing, and his career as an Olympic sailing coach. Packed with easy-to-digest advice and information, it has clear diagrams and explanations and features excellent photography throughout to demonstrate racing in action. *RYA Tactics* breaks down the myths around racing tactics and provides you with winning strategies for a wide range of race courses and weather conditions. Written from the perspective of both coach and sailor, *RYA Tactics* takes you logically and holistically through each aspect of a sailing race. Shedding a new light on mastering race tactics, it has three easy-to-follow sections: Setting the scene Before the start The race The third edition features new chapters that include cutting-edge advice on analysing weather conditions, club racing, positioning as a strategy, and tactics in fast boats. It also discusses strategy building and looks at all parts of the race in detail, recommending specific tactics for each stage. Whether you're looking to understand wind shifts better, start fast, use a race compass, or get round the marks first, this book will get you there.

Established in 1982, People of Today annually recognises over 20,000 individuals who are positively influencing Britain

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and inspiring others through their achievements and leadership. Entry is by invitation only. The objective criteria for inclusion and removal are strictly maintained, ensuring it is the only publication of its type whose membership accurately reflects people of influence today. Expert nomination panels guarantee People of Today is uniquely current and trusted and encompasses over 40 sectors, from academia, law and business to charity, sport and the arts.

The official learn-to-sail manual of the American Sailing Association and the United States Coast Guard Auxiliary, with over 150 line drawings and photographs. Written by America's foremost instructional authority, the new edition of Sailing Fundamentals combines the training programs of the American Sailing Association and the United States Coast Guard Auxiliary. The official learn-to-sail manual of the American Sailing Association, it is also used in the programs of many yacht clubs, colleges, and sailing groups. Unlike most introductory sailing books, which reflect the biases and idiosyncrasies of their authors, Sailing Fundamentals has been extensively pretested by ASA professional instructors to ensure that it offers the fastest, easiest, most systematic way to learn basic sailing and basic coastal cruising. This book covers every aspect of beginning sailing—from hoisting sail to docking and anchoring—and specifically prepares the learner to qualify for sailing certification according to international standards. Widely acclaimed author Gary Jobson has won several major races, including the 1977 America's Cup victory as tactician aboard Courageous. He was head sailing coach at the US Naval Academy, and has conducted sailing clinics across the country.

'The finest harbour deserves the finest book ... A colourful, fascinating and enduring account of the greatest waterway in the hemisphere.' Simon Winchester 'This book is a joy to read. And essential for anyone who loves Sydney Harbour ...

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And who doesn't?' Ken Done In the bestselling tradition of Peter Ackroyd's *The Thames*, a celebration of one of the world's great waterways. Everyone knows Sydney Harbour. At least, we think we do. Everyone can see the harbour, whether we have ever been to Sydney or not. By as little as a word or two, the harbour floats into our mind's eye. The Bridge. The Opera House. Fireworks on New Year's Eve. When we see those images, we feel a sense of belonging. No matter who we are or where we're from, we see the harbour and we feel good. In this beautiful, authoritative and meditative journey, Scott Bevan takes us from cove to cove, by kayak, yacht and barge to gather the harbour's stories, past and present, from boat builders, ship captains and fishermen to artists, divers, historians and environmentalists, from signs of ancient life to the submarine invasion by the Japanese and the natural beauty that inspires people every day. This is the ultimate story of Sydney Harbour – a city's heart and a country's soul.

CHAPTER 1. Loomings. Call me Ishmael. Some years ago—never mind how long precisely—having little or no money in my purse, and nothing particular to interest me on shore, I thought I would sail about a little and see the watery part of the world. It is a way I have of driving off the spleen and regulating the circulation. Whenever I find myself growing grim about the mouth; whenever it is a damp, drizzly November in my soul; whenever I find myself involuntarily pausing before coffin warehouses, and bringing up the rear of every funeral I meet; and especially whenever my hypos get such an upper hand of me, that it requires a strong moral principle to prevent me from deliberately stepping into the street, and methodically knocking people's hats off—then, I account it high time to get to sea as soon as I can. This is my substitute for pistol and ball. With a philosophical flourish Cato throws himself upon his sword; I quietly take to the ship.

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There is nothing surprising in this. If they but knew it, almost all men in their degree, some time or other, cherish very nearly the same feelings towards the ocean with me.

Sailing Smart is for every sailor who wants to increase his or her knowledge, understanding, and sailing expertise: the local day-sailor who wants a firmer grasp of the fundamentals, as well as the serious competitor who wants to be up on the latest, most innovative sailing techniques and racing strategies. Buddy Melges, one of the world's best-known sailors, has at last set down his highly original thoughts on how to sail well. He covers the full range of sailing experience, from the general to the specific, the basic to the highly sophisticated. Melges's message is delivered in a bright, uncluttered manner by way of applications from his own sailing experience and through step-by-step instructions on everything from basic boat handling to expert on-the-course tactics and maneuvers. The book is profusely illustrated by the noted sailing artist Ted Brennan, and each drawing is accompanied by a cogent, in-depth explanatory caption.

Interested in learning to sail but feel like you're navigating in murky waters? Sailing for Dummies, Second Edition introduces the basics of sailing, looks at the different types of sailboats and their basic parts, and teaches you everything you need to know before you leave the dock. In Sailing for Dummies, Second Edition, two U.S. sailing champions show you how to: Find and choose a sailing school Use life jackets correctly Tie ten nautical knots Handle sailing emergencies (such as capsizing and rescuing a man overboard) Launch your boat from a trailer, ramp, or beach Get your boat from point A to point B (and back again) Predict and respond to water and wind conditions Read charts, plot your course, use a compass, and find your position at sea Sailing for Dummies shows you that getting out on the water is easier than you

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think. The authors keep the sailor-speak to a minimum where possible, but give you a grasp of the terminology you need to safely and effectively communicate with your crew. A textbook, user's manual, and reference all in one, this book takes the intimidation out of sailing and gives you the skills and confidence you need to get your feet wet and become the sailing pro you've always wanted to be. Anchors away! Kingston Yacht Club (KYC) is located in the historic city of Kingston, Ontario, Canada, on Lake Ontario, where the first sailing vessels on the Great Lakes were built in the 1670s. The Club is particularly noted for the friendliness of its members, and has entertained several visitors from the British Royal Family including Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II, winning Sail Canada's "Best Small Club in Canada" honours in 2016, 120 years after its founding. Over its lively and interesting 125-year history, the Club has surmounted fire and financial crises to contribute immensely to the development of the sport of sailing in Canada and internationally, creating and hosting the world's largest freshwater sailing regatta, CORK, and in 1976 KYC became the only club in Canada to have hosted a summer Olympic Sailing event. This book relates the entertaining history of the Club in a light-hearted, readable style, profusely illustrated with colour and black and white images.

Want to learn to sail in a small boat? This book will be the foundation of your sailing life forever. Featuring extraordinary images, and written by best-selling author Peter Isler, this book brings the sport of sailing alive. Peter believes that learning to sail a small boat is fundamentally the same regardless of what type of boat you are sailing and takes you through the ABCs of learning to sail using both catamarans and monohulls. Discover why the wind and its direction are the center of every sailor's universe. Find out how to prepare yourself and your boat for some fun on the water. Learn how

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to drive, trim sails and crew in any small boat – on any point of sail.

Guide for both cruisers and racers that takes a look at the latest materials and rigging methods and simplifies the purchase and upkeep of a proper sail inventory.

Once you have spent time under sail, you will notice that people on sailboats tend to wave at each other. For many, sailing is a passion to be enjoyed for a lifetime. But sailing is challenging. And, in fact, at times can be dangerous. Therefore, safety at sea is a paramount importance. To maximise your enjoyment on the water, you must have confidence in yourself, your boat, equipment and crew. Basic Keelboat, help you learn to sail with all the skills required for safety at sea. For newcomers, careful study and practice is essential. When you're prepared, life under the sail is more enjoyable.

A proper understanding of the racing rules is crucial to success on the water and there is no better guide to the latest rules than Bryan Willis. Bryan has been chairman of the jury and chief umpire for some of the most prestigious sailing events in the world, including the America's Cup and Olympics. He has served on International Sailing Federation (ISAF) Racing Rules Committee for over 25 years. Who better to explain how to put the rules into practice? Sailors are taken through a wide range of scenarios with a clear explanation of what rule applies and how

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it should be interpreted. Colour diagrams make everything crystal clear. As well as going through the latest rules changes for 2013-2016, Bryan also guides you through the knowledge needed to come out at the front of the fleet at every stage of the race and every mark. An appendix includes the rules in full, making this an essential reference as well as an invaluable guide.

When engaging with other countries, the U.S. government has a number of different policy instruments at its disposal, including foreign aid, international trade, and the use of military force. But what determines which policies are chosen? Does the United States rely too much on the use of military power and coercion in its foreign policies? *Sailing the Water's Edge* focuses on how domestic U.S. politics—in particular the interactions between the president, Congress, interest groups, bureaucratic institutions, and the public—have influenced foreign policy choices since World War II and shows why presidents have more control over some policy instruments than others. Presidential power matters and it varies systematically across policy instruments. Helen Milner and Dustin Tingley consider how Congress and interest groups have substantial material interests in and ideological divisions around certain issues and that these factors constrain presidents from applying specific tools. As a result, presidents select instruments that

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they have more control over, such as use of the military. This militarization of U.S. foreign policy raises concerns about the nature of American engagement, substitution among policy tools, and the future of U.S. foreign policy. Milner and Tingley explore whether American foreign policy will remain guided by a grand strategy of liberal internationalism, what affects American foreign policy successes and failures, and the role of U.S. intelligence collection in shaping foreign policy. The authors support their arguments with rigorous theorizing, quantitative analysis, and focused case studies, such as U.S. foreign policy in Sub-Saharan Africa across two presidential administrations. *Sailing the Water's Edge* examines the importance of domestic political coalitions and institutions on the formation of American foreign policy.

In ancient times, the Mediterranean Sea allowed Greeks, Phoenicians, Egyptians, and the people of Mesopotamia to trade goods and make cultural connections. In fact, trade routes through the Mediterranean allowed both Greeks and Phoenicians to establish new colonies, extending their reach and leading to immense wealth. *Mediterranean Trade Routes* provides context for how these routes fostered political relationships, private business, and advances in science.

What you are about to read is a history of the Sarasota Sailing Squadron (a.k.a the Squadron, the

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SSS or the club) from its humble beginnings in the late 1930s, when a group of teenagers got together to form a "down to earth" sailing club on the City Pier, which was the center of Sarasota. After its first Commodore, Walter Fox was elected in 1942, the club was disbanded as members were either called up or volunteered to fight in the Second World War. They returned in 1946/47 as seasoned veterans to raise families. It was these folks and their families that restarted the club and laid the foundation for the wonderful club that we know today. I will take you through the vibrant life that members of the Squadron enjoyed in those days, as they partied at the Lido Beach Casino, dancing, drinking and selecting the Labor Day Regatta Queen, or celebrating the change of watch at the annual Commodore's Ball, held at the Tropicana Night Club, a location which exists today as the Three Senorita's restaurant at 1355 Main Street. We will see how members in the "old days" made their own fund in the small dinghies that they owned as they enjoyed overnight cruising and camping on the mosquito infested spoil banks at the north end of Sarasota Bay near Jewfish Key and the Mar Vista Pub, catching fish for the evening meal and combining their catch into a cast iron pot with potatoes, onions and spices to create a fish stew for all to enjoy. In June 1958, as the city of Sarasota expanded and developed, with plans to demolish the old City Pier, the club was

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moved to the desolate lands of City Island near the New Pass bridge. The Squadron's only neighbor at the time was WSPB radio station which had begun transmitting from City Island at 7 am on December 7, 1939.

The 17th edition of this bestselling pocket reference for racers has been completely revised to cover the new rules for 2013-2016. It includes the full text of the new racing rules with a handy 'Quick Guide to the Changes' at the front. Each rule is carefully analysed, and the situations likely to be met with in a race are explained with helpful 'birds eye' line drawings cross-referenced to the relevant rule. Once again, the model boats that are very popular for use in protests are included, there are signal flags on the back cover for easy reference on the race course, and a plastic wallet keeps everything together and protects from spray. 'All you need to know' Sailing 'Definitely a book to have on board' The Island 'Indispensable for anyone who races' Nautical News In February 1974, Jan and Ian Mitchell, cruising novices, set off to circumnavigate the world in their Top Hat 25 foot yacht, Caprice. Many adventures later, they returned to Sydney in November 1977, with two-year-old Jamie (born in Durban, South Africa) and Jan pregnant with their second son. Four and a half months later, David was born. Ian looked after the children while Jan wrote articles for yachting magazines. She also wrote the cover story for an August edition of Women's Day. This book

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contains a compilation of those fourteen articles plus one from Ian about their shakedown voyage, published in Australian Sailing. Jan has added many more photographs of their trip and a history of the Top Hats. The Mitchells write about seasickness, gales, learning to navigate, coping with strong currents, repairing a rigging failure at sea, friendships with others in the cruising community, the joys of tropical islands and more. These articles were widely read in 1978 and inspired many would-be sailors to buy a boat. Some set out to sail the world. We hope their story will inspire you too.

'I cannot imagine setting sail without it' SAIL 'A must for all aspiring ocean crossers' Yachting World We call it 'The Pond', yet the Atlantic Ocean covers one fifth of the surface of our planet and one third of its surface area of water. It is still a mighty big pond to cross! Realising the dream of an Atlantic crossing remains a challenge but the rewards are many and lifelong. The Atlantic Crossing Guide is well established as the standard reference for anyone planning an Atlantic voyage, whether via the trade wind route to the Caribbean or to Europe from the United States. The better prepared you are the greater your chances of success. Packed full of the collective wisdom of cruising sailors over four decades, this new edition has been updated to include advice on:

- PREPARATIONS · suitable boats, including considerations of hull integrity · equipment and maintenance · advances in navigation and communications systems · access to weather and routing information · the balance of power input and usage · planning for hurricane season · risk management

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· crew harmony and health · provisioning **PASSAGE PLANNING** · Atlantic weather systems, including tropical waves and hurricanes · common routes and timings across the Atlantic · seasonal cruising along bordering coasts and within Atlantic island groups · fog and ice in the higher latitudes · key landfalls 'A fantastic amount of information' *Yachting Monthly*

The racing rules bible, completely updated for the latest 2017-2020 Racing Rules of Sailing. You don't have to know all the rules off by heart, but you do need to know your rights and obligations on the water – the rules can be looked up afterwards. This book takes you through the key situations that occur repeatedly on the race course showing, from the point of view of each boat in turn, what you may, must, or cannot do. Colour diagrams throughout ensure concepts are easily understood. The book also contains the new Racing Rules of Sailing in full, with all the Appendices. The latest rule changes are highlighted, along with their impact on you as a sailor. The Rules in Practice has been the racing rules bible for over 30 years, written by Bryan Willis who is an acknowledged rules expert.

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Becky and Kevin were ready for an adventure. With their dog, Danny, they packed their Ford Escape and left their mountain cabin for a home on the water. Follow along as they learn to sail. Share their experiences and feelings as they head northward from North Carolina, up to the Chesapeake Bay, southward to the Bahamas and end their trip on Florida's Gulf Coast. "Dog Gone Sailing" is not just a story about sailing; it is the heartfelt chronicle of the voyage of a lifetime. Whether you are a sailor or a land-lubber, you will laugh, find yourself on the edge of your seat, and maybe even shed a few tears along the way.

"It was the best of dreams, it was the worst of dreams, it was an age of consulting the nautical experts, it was the age of landlubber foolishness, it was the epoch of determination, it was the epoch of despair, it was the season of hurricanes, it was a spring of beachcombing..." If you dream about chucking it all away and sailing toward an island life, read this first Renee and Michael didn't have any boating experience and when their plans to remedy that fell through the two had to learn everything the hard way. Despite themselves they managed to get from Miami to Grenada, eventually dropping the anchor of their cruising catamaran at the island of their dreams. Determined to save future sailors from themselves, A Sail of Two Idiots includes lessons Renee and Michael learned and shares

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them with you as examples of what and what not to do. This a how-to guide wrapped in a funny story—kind of like getting your serving of vegetables from a slice of pizza. Read this and make your dream of sailing away a reality. Includes: “What Broke?” sections explores the ongoing maintenance and upkeep of a cruising multihull “Island” section provide assessments of the islands of the Caribbean

Following *The Highest Tide*, *Border Songs*, and *Truth Like the Sun*, Jim Lynch now gives us a grand and idiosyncratic family saga that will stand alongside Ken Kesey’s *Sometimes a Great Notion*. Joshua Johannssen has spent all of his life surrounded by sailboats. His grandfather designed them, his father built and raced them, his Einstein-obsessed mother knows why and how they work (or not). For Josh and his two siblings, their backyard was the Puget Sound and sailing their DNA. But both his sister and brother fled many years ago: Ruby to Africa and elsewhere to do good works on land, and Bernard to god-knows-where at sea, a fugitive and pirate. Suddenly thirty-one, Josh—who repairs boats of all kinds in a Steinbeckian marina south of Seattle—is pained and confused by whatever the hell went wrong with his volatile family. His parents are barely speaking, his mystified grandfather is drinking harder, and he himself—despite an endless and comic flurry of online dates—hasn’t even come close to finding a girlfriend. But when the Johannssens unexpectedly reunite for the most important race in these waters—all of them together on a classic vessel they made decades ago—they will be carried to destinies both individual and

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collective, and to a heart-shattering revelation. Past and present merge seamlessly and collide surprisingly as Jim Lynch reveals a family unlike any other, with the grace and humor and magic of a master storyteller.

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