



Great Loop Cruising: A Guide to the Looper Lifestyle Louisville, KY

Friday, June 16, 2023 – Buying Your Perfect Looping Boat
Saturday, June 17, 2023 – Planning & Executing your Great Loop

AGENDA SUBJECT TO CHANGE

Start	End	Session	Presenter(s)
<u>Friday, June 16th</u>			
1:00	2:00	Registration	
2:00	3:00	How to Find and Buy Your Great Loop Dream Boat <ul style="list-style-type: none">• What size boat do you want? What size boat do you need?• Draft restrictions• Features of different types of boats• Resources for finding your dream boat• How to determine a fair offer• Making an offer• The contract and other "paperwork"• Purchasing options• Surviving the survey	Curtis Stokes, <i>Curtis Stokes & Associates</i>
3:00	3:30	Financing your Great Loop Boat <p>This session will provide information on how to obtain financing for your boat, including general bank requirements for a down payment, terms, and other factors that affect financing such as the age of the boat. Cindy will also give details on the overall state of the market and why one should consider borrowing versus paying cash for their vessel.</p>	Cindy Lewis, <i>Sterling Associates</i>
3:30	3:40	Break	
3:40	4:30	The Right Boat for YOU <p>There is no right boat for the Loop, but there is a right boat for YOUR Loop. Brent Bowlin (Gold Looper) and Michael Martin (Platinum Loop) of Great Loop Yacht Sales share some things all Loopers should consider when buying their Great Loop boat and talk about some of the more popular makes and models. They also talk about specific makes and models for different non-negotiable needs, like those cruising with a family, those cruising solo, those on a budget, and more.</p>	Brent Bowlin & Michael Martin, <i>Great Loop Yacht Sales</i>
4:30	5:00	Q&A, Wrap Up	
5:00	6:00	Reception	

Saturday, June 17th

8:00	8:30	Registration	
8:30	9:45	Intro to the Great Loop Kim Russo will cover the basics of the Great Loop, answer some of the most frequently asked questions, and take you on a tour of the Great Loop through photos, sharing important details along the way.	Kim Russo, AGLCA
9:45	10:05	Story of our Loop <i>Knot Kidd'n</i> , Chris Craft 501, Completed in 2018	Dustin Kidd
10:05	10:15	Break	
10:15	10:35	Story of our Loop <i>Light & Salty</i> , Cruisers 4450, Completed in 2021	The Bowlin Family
10:35	11:35	DIY Maintenance	Jay Kraft, <i>Trawlers Great Lakes</i>
11:35	11:55	Story of our Loop <i>Long Recess</i> , 27' Ranger Tug, Completed in 2022	Tony & Karen Long
11:55	12:45	Lunch	
12:45	1:45	Practical Advice for Planning and Doing the Great Loop Waterway Guide Cruising Editors and veteran Loopers, Ted & Audrey Stehle, share practical tips they've learned during their years of cruising. Topics include communicating while docking, how to handle locks, provisioning, where to store all your "stuff" aboard, the galley, and more!	Ted & Audrey Stehle, <i>Waterway Guide</i>
1:45	1:55	Break	
1:55	2:15	Story of our Loop <i>Calucy Too</i> , Mainship 390, Completed in 2022	John & Lucy Williams
2:15	3:15	Don't Leave Without... This session includes an overview of tips and essential items to bring with you on your Great Loop Adventure.	Kim Russo, AGLCA
3:15	4:00	Open Q&A, Wrap Up, Door Prizes	

*Each "Story of our Loop" presentation features a different "Gold Looper" that will share details about their specific trip, including the type of boat, length of time, highlights, etc.