

Curriculum Vitae

Jonathon C. McLendon
12304 Galway Dr
Raleigh NC 27613-6834
H: 919-846-7931
postmasters@bellsouth.net

Summary:

More than 23 years experience in small boat handling and operations on inland lakes, inshore and near-coastal ocean boating. Consulting specialist for small power craft, PWC and on-the-water recreational activities and safety issues.

Boating Experience:

- 1968-1970 Piloted 40' family houseboat on Lake Hartwell, GA during family outings.
- 1971 Second Mate - Ella Dee - 40' Commercial shrimping vessel - duties included handling nets, sorting, cleaning, packing seafood, general ship maintenance, docking, undocking, extensive marlinspike and net repair activities, engine maintenance, etc. Lived aboard vessel.
- 1972 First Mate - M.A. Santos - 55' Commercial shrimping vessel - duties included vessel piloting, net handling, loading and unloading, sorting, cleaning and packing seafood, general ship maintenance, docking and undocking, marlinspike, net repair, engine maintenance, mentoring responsibilities for crew. Lived aboard vessel.
- 1984 - Earned NAUI Open Water Diver certificate. (UGA)
- 1986-1988 Crewed on friend's 19' Bayliner at Falls, Jordan and Shearon Harris Lakes. Crossed Pamlico Sound from New Bern to Ocracoke and back. Activities included tubing, overnight stays on-board vessel, camping, piloting after dark, etc.
- 1988-1995 Purchased and operated 17' Sunbird Corsair runabout extensively in Jordan and Falls Lake Area. Substantial experience with small craft operations and recreational activities on Raleigh, NC area lakes including skiing, towing, tubing, camping, etc.
- 1993 Honor Roll, Cooperative Charting Program - United States Department Of Commerce, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration for extensive mapping of Oregon Inlet area. (Note that this is considered one of North Carolina's most treacherous inlets.)
- 1994 Participated as a student in NOAA Cooperative Charting Workshop held onsite at NOAA Center in VA. Topics covered included reporting chart corrections, horizontal sextant angles, compass bearings, proper documentation, Coastal Pilot corrections, NOAA interests, etc.
- 1994 Earned Technician Plus Amateur Radio license (HAM).
- 1996 - present Purchased and operated 20' WAC runabout in Jordan and Falls Lake areas as well as NC, SC, and GA coast, including both inshore and near shore operations out to 50 nautical miles from shore.
- 1996-present Member, Falls Lake Safety Council representing general public in matters of boating and general water safety.
- 1996 Participated in 3 member ad-hoc committee appointed by Falls Lake Safety Council in regard to regulation of PWCs in NC. Committee reported that current regulations regarding PWCs were sufficient and that enforcement of current regulations should be a priority.
- 1996 Wrote monthly column "Rules Time" for Raleigh Power Squadron monthly publication "Bow Lights." Topics were primarily concerned with Nautical Rules of the Road and their correct application.
- 1996 Assisted as an instructor with NOAA Cooperative Charting Training Workshop (Horizontal Sextant Angle Module) held onsite at NOAA Facility in VA.
- 1996 Surveyed Falls Lake for damage to markers and buoys. Reported to Falls Lake Safety Council. Report forwarded to State Of NC Department Of Environment and Natural Resources for maintenance actions to numerous markers.

- 1996 Responsible for development and distribution of "Safe Boating Week" press releases regarding Raleigh Power Squadron activities to area media outlets.
- 1995-1996 Commander of the Raleigh Power Squadron. As Commander, directed efforts that resulted in the Raleigh Power Squadron receiving the "Excellence in Recreational Boating Education" award from the National Boating Federation.
- 1997 Assisted with Wake County Underwater Rescue training. Duties included securing dive training area to intruders (including PWC operators), monitoring divers and monitoring communications channels.
- 1997 Honor Roll, Cooperative Charting Program - United States Department Of Commerce, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration for work in mapping Oregon Inlet. (Note that this inlet is considered one of North Carolina's most treacherous inlets.)
- 1997 Interviewed on WRAL-TV5 "Out and About" morning television program regarding safe vessel operation on Falls Lake as part of Safe Boating Week.
- 1997 Surveyed Falls Lake for damage to markers and buoys. Reported to Falls Lake Safety Council. Report forwarded to NC Wildlife Resources Commission for maintenance actions to numerous markers.
- 1997 Taught Nautical Rules module for USPS "Boat Smart" to approximately 120 students.
- 1998 Responsible for development and distribution of "Safe Boating Week" press releases regarding Raleigh Power Squadron activities to area media outlets.
- 1998 Taught (with 1 other instructor) principles of nautical buoyancy and stability and positioning (horizontal sextant angle) to 5 classes of engineering students at Enloe High School as part of their visiting professional program.
- 1998 Taught USPS "Boat Smart" with one other instructor to 28 students in Spring 1998.
- 1998 Prepared expert opinion regarding a small craft collision for Kennyann Stanford Brown of Bailey & Dixon, L.L.P.
- 1998 Mapped portions of Cape Fear Inlet (Southport) for USPS Cooperative Charting Program - United States Department Of Commerce, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration. This is the most commercially utilized inlet in N.C.
- 1998 Mapped portions of Ocracoke Inlet for USPS Cooperative Charting Program - United States Department Of Commerce, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.
- 1998 Honor Roll, Cooperative Charting Program - United States Department Of Commerce, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration for work in mapping Ocracoke Inlet in 1997.
- 1998 Surveyed Falls Lake for damage to markers and buoys. Reported to Falls Lake Safety Council. Report forwarded to NC Wildlife Resources Commission for maintenance actions to several markers.
- 1998 Prepared expert opinion regarding a small craft capsizing with multiple deaths for Elizabeth Godfrey of Smith, Debnam, Narron & Myers, L.L.P. Case settled January, 1999.
- 1998 Assisted in preparation of case involving an injury to a passerby at Beaufort City docks for Phillip R. Miller III, of Blanchard, Jenkins, and Miller, P.A. Case settled 1999.
- 1999 Honor Roll, Cooperative Charting Program - United States Department Of Commerce, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration for work in mapping Ocracoke Inlet and Barden Inlet in 1998.
- 1999 Completed USPS Instructor Qualification course.
- 1999 Taught 4 of 6 sessions of USPS Seamanship class to 20 students.
- 1999 Surveyed Lookout Bight/Barden Inlet as part of Cooperative Charting program for National Oceanographic Service.
- 1999 Surveyed Falls Lake for damage to markers and buoys. Information reported to Falls Lake Safety Council.
- 1998-1999 Served as Assistant Education Officer for the Raleigh Power Squadron.
- 1999 Participated in technical corrections to H1209 "Personal Watercraft Safety."(sponsored by Jean Preston) H1209 is now law.
- 1999 Interviewed by News & Observer for article regarding decrease in boating accident death and injury rate.
- 1999 Taught marlinspike seamanship section of Skipper Saver for members and Boy Scout troops in summer 1999.

- 1999 Assisted in marlinspike seamanship practicum for Boat Smart students in fall 1999.
- 1999 Taught Aids to Navigation section of Boat Smart in fall 1999.
- 1999 Taught USPS Seamanship to 11 students in fall 1999.
- 1999 Earned USCG Operator Uninspected Passenger Vessel license.
- 1999-2000 Served as Squadron Education Officer for the Raleigh Power Squadron.
- 2000 Taught Aids to Navigation section of Boat Smart in spring 2000.
- 2000 Taught Rules of the Road section of Boat Smart in Fall 2000.
- 2000 Request to U.S.C.G. regarding N.P.R.M. USCG-1999-6219 that new requirement for P.F.D. for person 12 and under apply exclusively when vessel is under way accepted by U.S.C.G. in final rule making.
- 2001 Developed nautical rules of the road discussion material for “Nav Rules Plus!” product published by Starpath Navigation in 2001. Sections included extensive case law review of recreational boating situations explained for the recreational mariner.
- 2001 Taught Boat Smart review section in Fall 2001.
- 2001 Comments to USCG incorporated in promulgation of USCG Final Rule for NPRM USCG-1999-6219.
- 2002 Taught Boat Smart review section in Spring 2002.
- 2002 Course Coordinator for Boat Smart course scheduled Fall 2002
- 2003 Prepared expert opinion for Jim Roberts in a case involving vessel collision with severe personal injury. Case settled prior to trial (Jan 2003).
- 2003 Completed U.S.C.G Master’s License upgrade course (December 2002)
- 2003 Taught Boat Smart Review for approximately 60 students (March 2003).
- 2003 Elected D/27 Navigation Club Vice Chairman.
- 2003 Earned USCG Master’s License.

Education:

- 1971 - Graduated Clarke Central H.S. Athens, GA 1971.
- 1972 - One quarter at Brunswick Junior College, 1972.
- 1984 - Bachelor of Science in Computer Science - University Of Georgia.
- 1984 - NAUI Open-Water Diver Certificate.
- 1986 - Graduate school, Dept. Of Computer Science, Duke University.
- 1988 - USPS Boating Course.
- 1989 - Admitted to membership - Raleigh Power Squadron.
- 1991 - USPS Seamanship.
- 1992 - USPS Piloting.
- 1992 - USPS Operations Training.
- 1993 - USPS Operations Training.
- 1993 - Cooperative Charting Training - NOAA, Norfolk VA.
- 1994 - USPS Advanced Piloting.
- 1995 - USPS Senior Member.
- 1996 - USPS Operations Training.
- 1997 - USPS Junior Navigation.
- 1998 - Enrolled in USPS Navigation (successfully completed 2 of 3 qualification exams).
- 1999 - USPS Instructor Qualification.
- 1999 - Sea School OUPV.
- 1999 - USPS Navigation
- 2000 – Sea School (Obtained OUPV).
- 2001 - USPS Navigation
- 2002 – Sea School (Obtained Masters).

Publications:

Monthly column (Commander's Message) for Raleigh Power Squadron member publication Bowlights during tenure. (1996-1997)

Semi-monthly column (Rules Time) for Raleigh Power Squadron member publication Bowlights. 1995-1996.

Review of H1209 for Raleigh Power Squadron member publication. September 1999.

“Right Of Way - No Way” Article regarding application of the special circumstances rule for the Bowlights. October 1999.

Review of H1209 for USPS District 27 BITTS (Spring 2000)

“Right Of Way – No Way,” published U.S.P.S. Ensign (5/2000)

“Four Not-So-Famous Wrecks,” published U.S.P.S. Ensign (2/2000).

Authored Rules of the Road training product along with David Burch of Starpath School of Navigation. Commercial product available 2001.

N.C. Boating Areas Visited (by boat):

Lakes:

Falls Lake
Jordan Lake
Shearon-Harris Lake

Rivers and Creeks:

Neuse River (from
Adams Creek
Cape Fear River up to Castle Hayne
Northeast Cape Fear River up to Wilmington
Pamlico River up to Little Washington

Islands:

Portsmouth Island
Roanoke Island
Smith Island
Oak Island

Sounds:

Core Sound
Pamlico Sound
Albemarle Sound
Bogue Sound to Bear Island
Currituck Sound
Croatan Sound

Inlets:

Lockwood's Folly Inlet (at Oak Island)
Oregon Inlet
Ocracoke Inlet
Beaufort Inlet
Barden's Inlet (at Cape Lookout)
Hatteras Inlet
New River Inlet (at N. Topsail)
Little River Inlet (at Calabash)
New Topsail Inlet

Bays:

Raleigh Bay (Hatteras to Lookout)
Onslow Bay (Lookout to Fear)
Long Bay (Fear to Romain)
Shallowbag Bay
Winyah Bay

Miscellaneous:

Big Foot Slough
Little Foot Slough
Eat and West Slough Buoys at Cape Lookout
Snow's Cut
Core Banks
Shackleford Banks
ICW from Calabash, NC to Savannah, GA.

Litigation

Expert opinion in re: Mosberg v. Zanzano and Wood in the United States District Court for the Eastern District of North Carolina, Raleigh Division, 5:97-CV-479-BO(3). Retained by Kennyann Brown Stanford of Bailey & Dixon, L.L.P., counsel for defendant.

Expert opinion in re: Perry, et. al. v. Drydock, et. al. in the General Court of Justice, Superior Court Division, Case No 98 CVS 3543, State of North Carolina, Wake County. Retained by Mr. John W. Narron and Ms. Elizabeth B. Godfrey, Smith, Debnam, Narron and Myers, L.L.P., counsel for plaintiff.

Deposition for trial in re: Harrison v. Weeks in the General Court of Justice, Superior Court Division, Case No 97 CVS 2324, State of North Carolina, Pitt County. Retained by Mr. John Walter Bryant of Bass & Bryant, Raleigh, N.C., counsel for plaintiff.

Expert opinion in re: Townsend for Limitation of Liability in the the United States District Court for the Eastern District of North Carolina, Eastern Division, 4-99-CV-16 H(3). Retained by Philip R. Miller III, of Blanchard, Jenkins, and Miller, P.A., counsel for plaintiff.

Expert opinion in re: Jones and Jones vs. Nixon and Dennis in the United States District Court for the Eastern District of North Carolina – Western Division, Case No. 4:01-CV-173-H(4), and North Carolina Farm Insurance Bureau v. Nixon, Nion, Jones, et. al. in the General Court of Justice, Superior Court Division, State of North Carolina, Craven County, File No. 02-CVS-878. Retained by Jim Roberts of Lewis and Roberts, P.L.L.C., counsel for plaintiff.