

## **SAIL AWAY SAILING SCHOOL, LLC**

### **ASA Docking Endorsement Course**

**Barker's Island, Lake Superior**

**9AM Saturday, August 29 - 3PM Sunday, July 30**

**with pre-boarding Friday, August 28 at 6PM**

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**Docking Endorsement (ASA 118)** Getting that big boat into a little slip can be a daunting challenge, even for experienced sailors. But it's an important skill, like learning to take-off and to land an airplane if you're a pilot. To dock competently and without injury or property damage requires an understanding of the forces that act on a boat, how you can control them, and lots of practice. Though docking and mooring is taught and practiced in all ASA's on-the-water courses, the vast majority of students feel that they can benefit from additional, focused practice in this crucial area of their sailing skills. Even students who can competently dock a particular sailboat in their local waters appreciate the chance to learn skills that will come in handy in different locations and circumstances, such as those that would be experienced when strong currents and tricky crosswinds are present, or when Mediterranean mooring or tight, close-quarters maneuvering is required.

This hands-on course allows students to learn theory and practice repetitive docking and casting-off maneuvers to reinforce understanding of theory, methods and skills. Both novice and experienced sailors will benefit from this course as the techniques apply to small outboard powered boats in the 15- to 20-foot range on up to 50-foot inboard single-screw cruising yachts.

Upon successful completion of this course, students experience a significant increase in enjoyment in all of their sailing ventures because they will no longer fear docking at the end of the day. Spouses particularly enjoy mastering these skills because it helps them to become more proficient and confident as crewmembers.

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## **Packing List**

*Please pack light as space aboard is limited -*

Sleeping bag, pillow

Towel, toiletries, shorts, t-shirt

Rain jacket (boat has some available), rain pants, rubber boots, hat, warm gloves

Warm clothing (long underwear, T-neck, sweater, wooly socks)

Boat shoes (closed toe, no black soles)

Sunglasses (with lanyard), hat (with hat clip), sunscreen

Small flashlight, Docking Techniques book, ASA logbook

Beverages for yourself (water, juice, milk provided)

*Optional:* Your own PFD, seasickness pills (Bonine works great) or scopolamine patch, camera

**Meals Provided:** 2 breakfasts, 2 lunches and 1 dinner - Saturday breakfast, lunch and dinner, Sunday breakfast and lunch.

Boat has alcohol stove and ice box.

### **Directions to Barker's Island Marina:**

I-35 north to Duluth

Before Duluth take Hwy 2 east through Superior

Hwy 2 T-bones at Lake Superior. Continue straight into Barker's Island Marina. You will get boat name and slip number one week before the course starts.

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