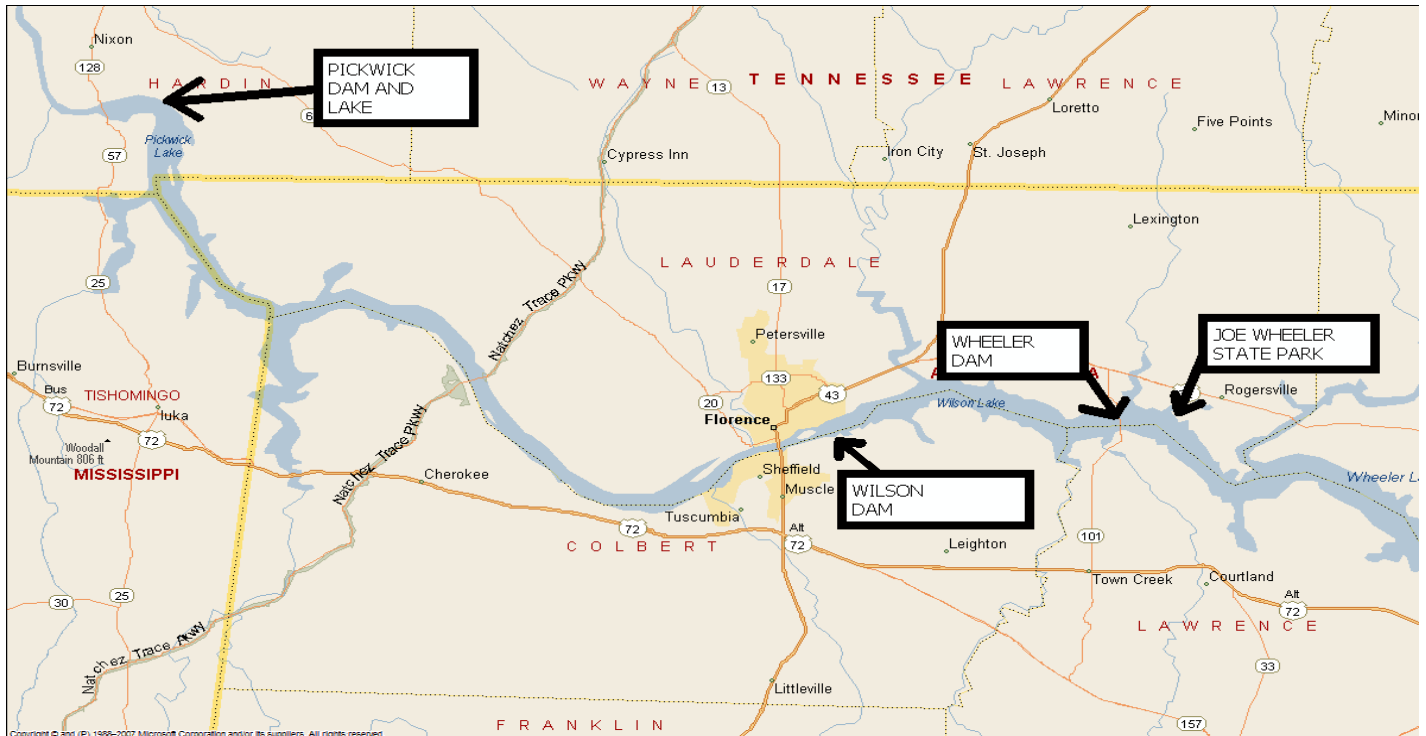


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The Memphis Sail and Power Squadron just completed a fun Tennessee River Trip from Pickwick Lake to Joe Wheeler State Park on Wheeler Lake. The trip was 63-70 miles each way, depending on the departure marina on Pickwick Lake.



Our first big landmark was the Natchez Trace Bridge.



We passed close by this coal fired generating plant.



There were lots of homes “to die for” on the banks of the Tennessee River.



Several boats spent the first night at the Florence Harbor Marina, just downstream of the Wilson Lock.



Tim Robertson and Ginger Coleman’s boat, “Ocean’s Outlaw”, enters the Wilson Lock. This is the second highest lock in the United States and the highest single lock east of the Rockies. The lift is 93-100 feet, depending on water levels.





Penney McCormick aboard Tim Griffin and Penney's boat, "Whoo Hoo". This was their first lock through.



Pat Astor tends the lines on Oasis II in the Wilson Lock.



This lock can be pretty intimidating!



Janet Nuckolls and Faye Astor try to keep cool aboard the Nuckolls' sailboat, "Oasis II".



Chuck and Jean Stone exit the lock on "Porfin II".



Bonnie Blair and Anne Blair Williams cool down while waiting to enter the Wheeler Lock.



John and Marty White made the trip aboard their trawler, "White Cloud", with their granddaughter, Haley.



We docked right by the pool at Joe Wheeler State Park Marina.



Jean and Chuck Stone were happy to arrive and hook up their air conditioner!



The Nuckolls' sailboat, "Oasis II." They just brought this boat up from Mobile on the Tenn-Tom Waterway.



There was music that night at the Joe Wheeler State Park as part of the W.C. Handy Festival in the area. Our Tina Turner impersonator was so hot that she set one of the speakers on fire.



It was hot, but we enjoyed the music. Back row, left to right: Tim Griffin, Tim Robertson, Natalie Wiley, Anne Williams, Andy Nuckolls. Front Row: Penney McCormick, Ginger Coleman, Janet Nuckolls.



Reese and Becky Austin enjoyed the music from the decks of "Another Chance". Thanks to Becky for organizing the trip.



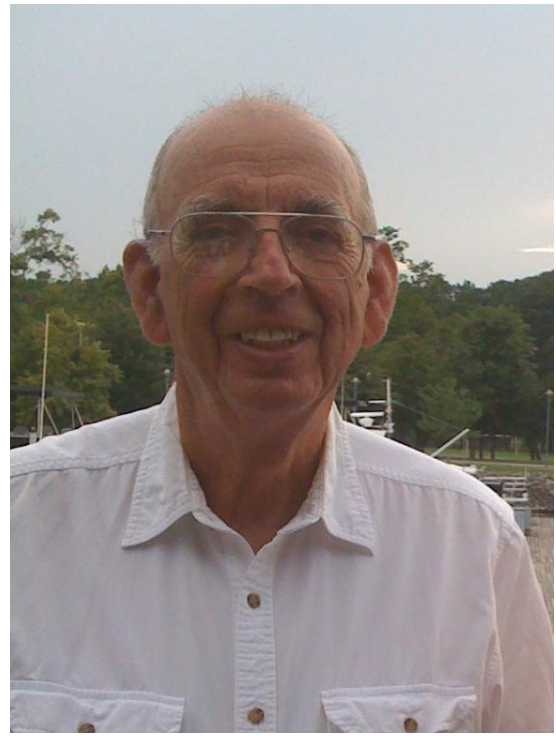
Pat and Faye Astor enjoyed the music from a distance. This was a good idea, since it was so loud!



Anne Blair Williams and Bonnie Blair try to keep cool.



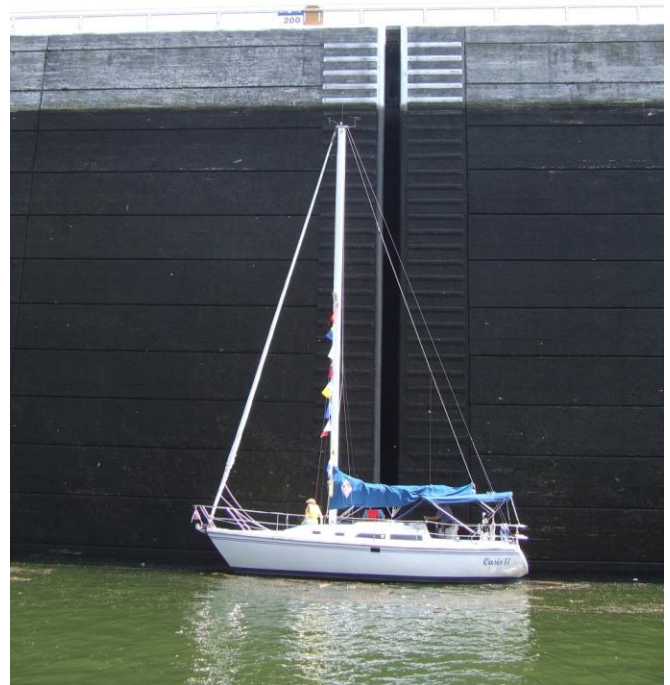
J.C. Kennedy and Carolyn White made the trip on J.C.'s trawler, Sea Gypsy.



Our Squadron Commander, John White, was thrilled at the turnout for this outing.



J.C. Kennedy and Carolyn Flack had a great trip.



Oasis II seems dwarfed by the lock!



We battled mayflies in the Wheeler Lock!

We all had a great time and are looking forward to our next adventure.