

Instructor Information

for the

2004 Edition of *The Squadron Boating Course*

Appendix A - A Day's Cruise:

The 2004 student manuals are being shipped with an update to *The Squadron Boating Course, Appendix A, "A Day's Cruise"*. The updates are to be distributed to all students. A copy of the update is attached for instructors' early awareness. The update is provided with the new version of the Bowditch Bay charts and is necessary because the 2003 paper version and the Maptech CD digital version of Bowditch Bay are now geo-referenced to 72° 00.0' W.

Examination:

The following **Instructor Information** is to be provided to USPS exam administrators only.

The 2004 edition of *The Squadron Boating Course* has a new closed book examination. It should be noted that questions 10 and 37 are unintentional duplicates. It is recommended that both exam questions should remain as part of the exam and that the exam be scored as a 75 question exam, plus any local state questions. The passing score remains 80%, or higher, of all questions. In this manner, existing exam answer overlays and the Boating Course Assistant (BCA) program may continue to be utilized as-is.

The Squadron Boating Course 2004

Student Manual Update - Appendix A

A Day's Cruise

This update to *The Squadron Boating Course, Appendix A, "A Day's Cruise"* is provided with the new version of the Bowditch Bay charts. The update is necessary because the 2003 paper version and the digital version of Bowditch Bay are now geo-referenced to 72° 00.0' W.

Summary of Answers for the 2003 Bowditch Bay Chart

Student Manual Page	Question	Updated Answers - 2003 Bowditch Bay Chart
217	1c	0845 DR = L 41° 41.5' N Lo 072° 02.3' W
217	1d	0845 FIX = L 41° 41.0' N Lo 072° 02.5' W
218	3b	0942 DR = L 41° 43.1' N Lo 071° 55.0' W
218	3c	0942 FIX = L 41° 44.0' N Lo 071° 55.2' W
214 and 219	6	1127 GPS = L 41° 37.8' N Lo 071° 41.9' W
219	6a	1127 DR = L 41° 37.1' N Lo 071° 42.6' W
215 and 219	7	Nav aid G "7" (several typos)
215 and 220	8	Nav aid G "7" (several typos)

Note: even though Chart Navigator provides latitude & longitude values to three decimal places and bearings to two decimal places, do not expect such accuracy in plotting the Day's Cruise; mouse precise varies with each user. Lat/Lon (or distance) answers within + or – a tenth of a minute (or mile), or bearings within + or – a degree, are sufficient.