

Tarry Lomax, Tom Schubert and Gina Henderson

Lomax has competed in A2N five times, serving as navigator for overall winner Y2K (Swan 68, Dr. Charles Engh) in 2003. The Annapolis resident also handled navigation duties aboard Raider (S&S 48, David Ross) when it was first to finish the Annapolis to Bermuda Race with a course record time of 85 hours.

Lomax has been involved in ocean racing and delivery since the early 1980s and has more than 10,000 nautical miles under his belt. He has completed the Annapolis to Bermuda Race eight times and also has Newport-Bermuda, Marblehead-Halifax, and Fort Lauderdale to Montego Bay (Pineapple Cup) on the resume.

Lomax served as a surface warfare officer aboard destroyers while in the Navy. He fell in love with ocean racing after helping a neighbor bring a Pearson 33 from Bermuda to Annapolis with nothing but a sextant and a radio direction finder. He will review all the basics of routing and navigation while highlighting the various software applications that exist, such as Expedition, Nobeltec Solutions, and Garmin.

"I always emphasize that every navigator better take some paper charts as well as a pair of dividers and parallels because sometimes your electronics let you down," he said.

Schubert also learned the fundamentals of navigation while in the service, spending nearly a decade at sea after graduating from the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy in 1969. He was introduced to ocean racing while a member of the offshore sailing program at Kings Point, competing in the 1967 Annapolis to Newport Race.

Schubert has now Completed A2N 11 times, Newport-Bermuda 10 times, Annapolis-Bermuda five times, and Marion-Bermuda three times. The wily 71-year-old sailor won the Navigator's Prize for helping Dear Friend (CSY 50, Bill Kardash) secure overall victory in the 1999 Annapolis to Newport Race.

"Tarry and I have geared our presentation to first-time participants or those that haven't done Annapolis to Newport that often," said Schubert. "We race the race from start to finish using a slide show that is divided into three segments. We then walk the audience through the unique elements of each."

Dr. Gina Henderson is an associate professor in the Department of Oceanography at the U.S. Naval Academy. Her PhD is in climatology, and most recently she has been teaching courses in meteorology, atmospheric thermodynamics and climate change. Prior to her professorship at the Academy, she was a postdoctoral researcher at Rutgers University, and completed both her masters and PhD work at University of Delaware. Having grown up sailing and racing on the coast in Dublin, Ireland, she enjoys racing on the Chesapeake and offshore whenever time allows, and also volunteer coaches and serves as faculty representative for the Varsity Offshore Sailing Team at the Academy. She will be crewing on the J/120 Windborn in the upcoming race.