



## Great Loop Cruising: A Guide to the Looper Lifestyle Chattanooga, TN

**Friday, March 28, 2025 & Saturday, March 29, 2025**

### **AGENDA SUBJECT TO CHANGE**

Start	End	Session	Presenter(s)
<b><u>Friday, March 28<sup>th</sup></u></b>			
1:00	2:00	<b>Registration</b>	
2:00	3:15	<b>Intro to the Great Loop</b> Kim Russo will cover the basics of the Great Loop route, answer some of the most frequently asked questions, and take you on a tour of the Great Loop through photos, sharing important details along the way.	Kim Russo, AGLCA
3:15	3:35	<b>Story of Our Loop</b> <i>Certitude</i> , 51' Sealine, Completed in 2024 (w/husband Ron)	Elizabeth Hovell
3:35	3:50	<b>Break</b>	
3:50	5:00	<b>A Day in the Life</b> So, you think you want to be a Looper? Maybe you are asking yourself, "What do Loopers do on their boat 24/7 while doing the Loop?" Maybe you are in progress and wondering, "Am I doing this Looping thing right?" Or maybe you are questioning: what you should really know before you go, what should my morning routine to shove off the dock look like, what do we do while we are underway all day, how do you prepare to dock or drop anchor, what do you do after the engines are turned off for the day, and what does Looper Midnight mean? This session will attempt to answer these and many other questions to help make your Great Loop Adventure, ..... well, truly great!	Tsali & Jacque Bentley
5:00	6:00	<b>Cash Bar Reception</b>	
<b><u>Saturday, March 29<sup>th</sup></u></b>			
9:00	9:20	<b>Story of our Loop</b> <i>Compass Rose</i> , Mainship 400, Completed in 2022 and 2024	Tsali & Jacque Bentley
9:20	10:50	<b>Anchoring on the Great Loop</b> In this presentation, Scott will discuss anchor types, and sizing guidelines as well as the other components of the boat needed for safe anchoring. He will discuss how much anchor chain and rode is needed for certain conditions and what is a bridal and how it helps. Scott will also cover techniques, tips and etiquette associated with anchoring.	Scott Miller, <i>Miller Marine Consulting</i>

10:50	11:00	<b>Break</b>	
11:00	12:30	<b>DIY Maintenance</b> Save time and some money by taking on routine and periodic maintenance yourself. If you have changed the oil in your car, you can change the oil in your boat. And while you're at it, let's take it to the next level and change the fuel and oil filters, water pump impellor, pencil zincs and serpentine belt. It's as easy as D I Y.	Jay Kraft, <i>Trawlers Great Lakes</i>
12:30	1:30	<b>Lunch</b>	
1:30	1:50	<b>Story of our Loop</b> <i>Bama Breeze</i> , 54' Meridian, Completed in 2023	Rusty & Darlene Russell
1:50	3:15	<b>Planning Your Adventure</b> This session includes an overview of tips and essential items to bring with you on your Great Loop Adventure.	Kim Russo
3:15	3:30	<b>Break</b>	
3:30	3:50	<b>Story of our Loop</b> <i>Almost Home</i> , 42' Nordic Tug, Completed in 2023	Chuck Haddon & Leigh Denton
3:50	4:30	<b>Open Q&amp;A, Wrap Up, Door Prizes</b>	

