

# William B. Harnisch

Having been exposed to the maritime environment my entire life, I am pursuing a career that will enable me to apply my experiences, skills, knowledge, and passion. Throughout my time on the waterfront, in both recreational and professional settings, I have had extensive opportunities outside of my comfort zone as well as in leadership positions. The maritime environment is a place I not only love and thrive in, but where I aim to build my career.

## Related Experiences

- Studied abroad with Sea Education Association in 2016. This consisted of intense 6 weeks of classes in Woods Hole, MA, USA followed by 6 weeks aboard the 135' SSV Robert C Seamans. Onshore we studied oceanography, nautical history (as well as the history of the Polynesian culture), and practical maritime skills with a focus on chart plotting and celestial navigation. Aboard the ship we lived as the crew and cycled between working as deckhands (navigating, setting sails, etc), working in the science department (deploying research equipment or studying samples), in the galley, or with the engineers.
- Extensive Experience with small boat operations, primarily under 50'. I attended a weeklong course about onboard reporting at Oakcliff sailing in New York, USA. We studied photography, journalism, and the application of journalism in the sailing world, taught by Onboard Reporters from the Volvo Ocean Race. I sailed aboard SV Temptation, a 50' Kerr documenting our journey during the Round Block Island Race in May of 2016
- Vice President of the University of Rhode Island Sailing Club Fall 2015-Spring 2018

## Professional Experience

### **First Mate:**

**SV Golden Dawn 44', Upstate NY to Florida, then  
November 2019-March 2020**

**to USVI**

#### Responsibilities for First Mate include:

- Conducting most of the navigation, and trip planning
- Assisting in cooking and cleaning
- Night and day watches alone

### **Lead Captain:**

**Tivoli Sailing Company, NY, USA  
July 2019-November 2019**

#### Responsibilities for Lead Captain include:

- Assist the Commodore/owner in organizing, overseeing, and running the kids camp, charters, as well as the sailing club.
- Captain of a 24' Seafarer for the kids camp. On this boat I have two instructors/crew and six children as we sail and adventure around a 20 mile stretch of the Hudson River out of Kingston, NY.
- Captain of a 29' Seafarer for charters. On this boat I have one crew and up to six paid passengers. I work with the crew for the preparation of the vessel for each charter. I crewed on a 44' CSY Songbird in which my boss was the captain for charters up to 12 passengers.
- Boat maintenance and repairs dealing with fiberglass, wood, engines, paint, etc. on two 24' seafarers, the 29' Seafarer, a 44' CSY, as well as a small pontoon boat.

**Current Location:** New York City, NY

**Cell:** (201)- 563-8938

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**Date of Birth:** April 30th, 1996

**Passport:** USA (expires 2026)

**Marital Status:** Single

**Non smoker**

**Education:** University of Rhode Island  
2018

-Bachelor of Arts in Marine Affairs

-Minor in Communications

### **Professional Qualifications and skills**

- U.S.C.G. 50-Ton Master Inland (expires 2024) with sailing endorsement
- STCW (MCA expires 2024)
- Team management and leadership
- Organization and implementation of day to day operations as well as long-term
- Competent operating small power driven vessels (tenders) including jet propulsion
- Experience operating and assisting dual screw power vessels up to 56' sportfish
- Line Handling and knots
- Painting, gel coat, varnish
- Fiberglass work/repairs
- Effective teaching as well as learning
- Radio communications
- Comfortable with Spanish language
- Experience with wood work
- Some experience with small engines



**Hobbies:**

- Sailing
- Mountaineering
- Photography
- Crafting
- Writing
- Traveling

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Dockmaster of Champlins Marina & Resort

**English Teacher:  
CAPS, Castellon, Spain  
September 2018-June 2019**

Responsibilities for English Teacher include:

- Planning lessons, taking classes of 15-25 students and teaching conversational English Gained confidence and experience in public speaking, leadership and teamwork

**Assistant Dockmaster & Dockhand:  
Marina and Resort, Block Island, RI, USA  
2014-2018**

**Champlins  
Summers**

Responsibilities for Assistant Dockmaster include:

- Lead a team of 12-15 dockhands through day to day operations of one of the largest marinas in New England, USA. This is a unique marina as almost all of our clients (with a capacity of nearly 300 vessels) are transient, ranging from center consoles around 15’ to yachts up to 180’.
- Assist and oversee radio communications to direct vessels into appropriate slips throughout the marina.
- Manage upkeep of marina and maintenance of the entire property along with any problems to arise. It was common to resolve issues regarding power and water (in the marina), as well as general maintenance of the marina and property working with materials and tools for wood, paint, metal, lawn care.
- Run the dock office and gas dock along with all financial transactions along with slips or fuel. Perform maintenance tasks for the property.

**Head Sailing Coach, Teachers Assistant & Shop-worker:  
University of Rhode Island Sailing Center, RI, USA  
Fall 2014- May 2018**

Responsibilities for Head Sailing Coach include:

- Taking on my own class to teach more advanced methods of sailing such as racing, with some more unorthodox methods like sailing backwards, and rudderless sailing.
- Assisting the Director in overseeing classes, as well as managing the building/facilities.

Responsibilities for Shop-Worker:

- Aid in pre/post season preparations
- Maintain, and repair the vessels from Boston Whalers to dinghy sailboats to j24’s
- I learned how to work with fiberglass, gel coat, paint, wood, as well as how to properly use the appropriate tools and methods for each job.

**Assistant Harbormaster:  
Harbors Department, Block Island, RI, USA  
Summers 2016 & 2017**

Responsibilities for Assistant Harbormaster include:

- Operating directly with the Harbormaster enforcing maritime law
- Engaging in emergency services often directly with the USCG
- Conducting boat maintenance for the pumpout vessels, harbormaster vessel, the marine patrol vessel, as well as pre/post season preparation

- Collecting mooring fees and operating as a small onboard office