

Dave Kowert
Sailing Resume
November 2020

Professional Resume

- 1977-1979 Sailing Instructor Northern Illinois University
Taught Undergraduate Sailing lessons to 34 students over two summers
Member of the NIU Sailing Team – 1977-1979
- 2011-2013 Southeast Director of Sailing for “OnDeck Charleston”
- Managed US Sailing Instruction of Basic Keelboat, Basic Cruising, Coastal Cruising and Coastal Navigation for over 160 students
 - Coordinated ALL Daily Charters (Captained Many) Over 100 total charters
 - Race Organizer “Charleston to Bermuda Race”
 - Maintained 27 yachts under contract services 34-65 foot – sail and power
 - Organized and managed 21 Corporate Regattas with 10-25 boats each
 - Taught all Racing Programs
- 2013-2015 Captain of Record “The Schooner Welcome” 57 foot 32 passenger vessel
- Personally captained over 50 charters on The Welcome for private families, corporate events, weddings and funerals at sea.
 - Maintained “The Welcome” to owner and Coast Guard standards
- 2017-Current Instructor Basic Keelboat “Ocean Sailing Academy”
- Charter Captain for Special Events
 - Corporate Regatta “On the Water” Leadership
- Credentials 100 Ton Master License since 2013
Current Scuba Certification
Current CPR/First Responder Certification

Recreational and Racing

Active Racing Career since 1979. Owned and competitively raced 470 Class, Flying Dutchman and Vanguard Volant. Midwest Champion Volant Class

Owned S2 7.9 “Pulling Ropes” 5 Years Raced Chicago / Michigan Midwest Champion 2 years

Owned Beaneteau 35s5 “Andiamo” Raced Chicago/Indiana 1998- 2015

Moved “Andiamo” to Charleston SC in 2001 and raced competitively for 14 years. “Andiamo” has won more races than any other boat in Charleston Ocean Racing Association history with

over 250 first place finishes, and numerous second and third place finishes. "Andiamo" won Charleston Race Week and has placed second and third in CRW. CORA Boat of the Year

Captain / Tactician on 3 consecutive Gulfstreamer (Daytona to Charleston) first place finishes.

Tactician on "Sole Vento" S2 7.9 2 year overall champion CORA. Won Charleston Race Week Boat of the Year honors

Tactician/Coach on "Different Drummer " Azzura 31 Sport Boat Class (Currently)

Has sailed personal yacht recreationally (cruising) throughout Lake Michigan, Lake Superior, and "coastal cruised" from South Carolina to Florida logging over 3000 miles on "Andiamo"

Has sailed competitively as tactician or crew throughout the Southeast and the Caribbean for over 30 years.

Family Charter Sailing in Wisconsin, Illinois, Michigan Florida and Caribbean

Regatta Management for over 40 local yacht club events in Charleston.

Commodore – CORA Charleston Ocean Racing Association

Commodore – The Charleston Yacht Club

Current President – Southeast Region The Blue Gavel (Past Commodores)

Current Executive Board – Charleston Race Week for over 10 years