

## New App for Boaters Now Available

**A**rgo, introduced in the fall of 2019, is a free app designed to help boaters discover new destinations, get there as quickly and safely as possible, and share their adventures with friends. The app was developed locally by founder Jeff Foulk, who felt that while there are several apps that allow users to do these things on land, none were geared specifically towards boaters. Foulk hails from Havre de Grace, MD, in the Upper Chesapeake Bay.

“The main idea behind Argo is to provide a platform to let boaters help other boaters,” says Foulk. “By connecting to the Argo community, users are able to quickly share and discover a lot of information that they would have had to previously find out through research or word of mouth.”

Argo users have access to real-time reports about information that wouldn’t be available on a standard chart through crowdsourcing. Boaters can also pin favorite places on the map and, if they so choose, make these place pins public so the rest of the community can see them. Or

users can choose to share their favorite places and voyages privately with friends. You could even use this feature to plan a raftup. Simply create a place pin for where you want to meet and share it along with the time and date.

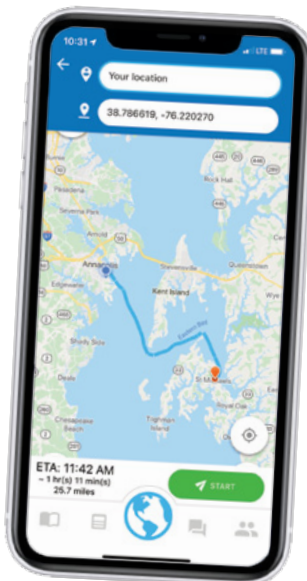
User Christine von Lange shared her experiences with the Argo app:

“One key use [of Argo] was when we were moving a 37-foot Sea Ray from Middle River to the Gunpowder, which needed to be at the bridge at low tide. It was a cold rainy Saturday morning, and we headed out around 7:30 a.m. only to find that the GPS was not functioning. Then the wipers went out.

Thankfully we had the Argo app. I was at the helm, the boat owner held the app and kept us within our boundaries, and the captain, Ron Waynick, had his head out the side keeping an eye out. It was an adventure but [with Argo] we docked safely!”

Feedback like this keeps the Argo team working to integrate more features in the coming months. “We want the app to provide as much value to boaters as possible, so we hope to get as many of them as possible involved in the process of creating this app,” says Foulk.

The Argo app is available as a free download on the Apple App Store and on the Google Play Store. The Argo team encourages users to send feedback via email or the in-app feedback button (lower left corner on the home screen). Learn more at [argonav.io](http://argonav.io).



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