

Press Release
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Marine Weather University

Two-time America's Cup winner, Peter Isler and veteran sailing meteorologist, Chris Bedford are proud to announce the opening of their new online educational venture, "[Marine Weather University](#)" (MWU). Designed to help sailors and boaters take their weather education to the next level, MWU features sixteen individual classes, plus basic-level and advanced programs.

"Marine Weather University offers something for everyone," says Isler, "There are classes on specific topics that will be of interest to some, plus full-length courses that allow the student to go as deep as they want while getting a well-rounded foundation in the field of marine weather. There is nobody better in the world of marine weather forecasting than Chris Bedford. He's skilled in making a sometimes-complex subject understandable to the layman and that's been his approach to the design of the university's classes and courses – it's looking great! In this day and age of instant weather forecasts on your "weather app du jour", our program will show why it's so important to have a strong foundation in weather knowledge to get the most out of today's seemingly endless weather information. At Marine Weather University – you'll get the tools – and the strong foundation that will enable you to be smarter about the weather."

Marine Weather University will roll out its curriculum sequentially during the course of the summer, with the first class: "Clouds and Marine Weather" debuting in a live webinar on June 2nd the first 100 students gain admission. Ultimately, all MWU's lectures, quizzes and course content will be available online for 24/7 access. It is the first program to be released by [Peter Isler's Academy of Sailing Secrets](#).

Chris Bedford: Chris is respected world-wide for the 35 years of experience and expertise in marine and coastal meteorology. He has provided his expertise during multiple America's Cups, Olympics and Volvo Ocean Races. Chris obtained his Meteorology Degree at the University of Michigan and he now manages his company, [Sailing Weather Service](#) in his home town of Boston, MA. He has served as President of the National Council of Industrial Meteorologists and on professional boards and committees with the American Meteorological Society, Air and Waste Management Association, and the former Commercial Weather Services Association. Over the years, Bedford has

written and presented numerous technical papers at conferences and for refereed scientific journals. He has also provided expert review of papers submitted for publication in professional scientific journals, as well as serving as meteorological editor for the American Heritage Dictionary.

Peter Isler: Internationally renowned sailor, motivational speaker and author, [Peter Isler](#) has parlayed his love of sailing into a career. Inextricable from the America's Cup since winning it as navigator aboard Dennis Conner's Stars & Stripes in Australia in 1987, he has sailed in five Cup campaigns (most recently with the BMW Oracle Racing Team in Valencia, Spain), winning it twice. He founded two America's Cup teams including the America³ Women's Team which raced for the 1995 Cup. Serving as a TV commentator, Peter has been a member of two Emmy award winning broadcast teams. He has covered five America's Cups (for ESPN, ABC Sports, Outdoor Life Network, VERSUS, ACTV and VERSUS/NBC Sports Network). Isler has a degree in Meteorology from Yale University.

Peter is also the author of five books including the best selling "Sailing for Dummies" and the [Little Blue Book of Sailing Secrets](#).

Marine Weather University factoid: Chris and Peter's first America's Cup was the same year and on the same team – Dennis Conner's *Stars & Stripes* team which won the America's Cup in 1987.

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