



# Adopt-a-Float Newsletter

Welcome to the Adopt-a-Float program! We are looking forward to having you join us as we watch the floats on their journey through the ocean.

**Date: June 6, 2024**

**Number of Floats Deployed:** 175 GO-BGC floats deployed (165 operating); 296 SOCCOM floats deployed (130 operating)!

## Float of the Month!

Just a reminder that it might take up to two months for your float data to show up on the [Adopt-A-Float viz site](#) as the data are checked for quality control at that point and then posted. You can view data that has not yet been checked at the regular [Float-Viz site](#).

We are excited to announce that we have added a new interactive map to the GO-BGC website that includes both SOCCOM and GO-BGC floats in one place! It is located directly below the GO-BGC interactive map on the website under [Map Room > Float Locations & Data](#).

The RV *Kaharoa* (nine adopted floats) is almost ready to leave dock. The RV *Langseth* (three adopted floats), RV *Discovery* (four adopted floats), and the RV *Sally Ride* (four adopted floats) all scheduled to be at sea in the next two months as the *Lindblad Explorer* (five adopted floats). The RV *David Packard* (four of eight floats are adopted) is scheduled to leave Spain in August heading for the Panama Canal.



**Captain Beaver's Shining Star**  
Sadler Arts Academy, Muskogee, OK.



The photo to the left shows SOLO float 4010 being sent off to sea with the second mate Kenny Beaver. You can read the full story about how this float got its name on the *Atlantis* blog - <https://www.go-bgc.org/expedition/east-pacific-2024/captain-beavers-shining-star>.

As your school year draws to a close, please let us know if there is anything that we can do to make data access easier. The next sticker competition will be starting soon so think about a fun way to start school in the fall - with a drawing activity. I'll be posting guidelines on the website soon (scroll down for the sticker contest- <https://www.go-bgc.org/outreach/adopt-a-float>.) The 2024 EARTH teacher workshop is at the end of this month and there should be some new lesson plans for you to trial as well when the school year starts up again. And we will always have more floats heading out to sea and are looking for adopters - so feel free to adopt another float! Check out the Flickr page for photos of your floats if they have been adopted/launched.

**Find your float information here:** [https://www3.mbari.org/gobgc/tables/GOBGC\\_Adopt-a-Float.html](https://www3.mbari.org/gobgc/tables/GOBGC_Adopt-a-Float.html) or [https://www3.mbari.org/soccom/tables/SOCCOM\\_Adopt-a-Float.html](https://www3.mbari.org/soccom/tables/SOCCOM_Adopt-a-Float.html)

**Find resources here:** <https://www.go-bgc.org/outreach/for-educators>

**Follow our Flickr page:** <https://www.flickr.com/photos/go-bgc/> for GO-BGC and SOCCOM floats or <https://www.flickr.com/photos/139764369@N07/> for older SOCCOM floats

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