



# 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: Aug 10, 2024**

**Number of Floats Deployed:** 198 GO-BGC floats deployed (188 operating); 296 SOCCOM floats deployed (129 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](#).



### Maritime HS ROV Club

Maritime High School, Des Moines, WA.



The RV *Kaharoa* (nine adopted floats) has completed float deployments with the *Maritime HS ROV Club* being the last one deployed and the *Lindblad Explorer* (five adopted floats) will be departing soon (there will be a blog from the *Lindblad*). The RV *David Packard* (four floats are adopted) is scheduled to leave Spain in September (another delay) heading for the Panama Canal.

The 2024 EARTH teacher workshop was in June at the University of Washington Float Lab and there are some new lesson plans (with more coming) for you to trial when the school year starts up again (<https://www.mbari.org/workshop/earth-2024-seattle-washington/>).

As the beginning of the new school year approaches, please let us know if there is anything that we can do to make data access easier. Katie Lodes and I are working with Teresa Kennedy (blogger on the 2024 A13.5 expedition <https://www.go-bgc.org/expedition-logs/south-atlantic-2024>) to write a book chapter about floats and the adopt-a-float program. We would love to

have you complete the survey (<https://tiny.cc/FLOATS>). The next sticker competition will be starting soon so think about a fun way to start the new school year. I'll be posting guidelines on the website soon (scroll down for the sticker contest- <https://www.go-bgc.org/outreach/adopt-a-float>.) 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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## GO-BGC

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