



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: October 12, 2024

Number of Floats Deployed: 207 GO-BGC floats deployed (198 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](#).

There are currently two expedition blogs (The RV [Lindblad Explorer](#) and the RV [Tommy Thompson](#)). All six floats on the [Thompson](#) have now been launched, there are five more floats to go on the [Lindblad](#). The float *Gators Rise* adopted by Goose Creek High School in South Carolina was launched from the RV *Thompson* this month. The RV *David Packard* (four floats are adopted) is scheduled to leave Spain in January 2025 now (another delay) heading for the Panama Canal. The RV *Falkor too* (four floats), RV *Sonne* (ten floats), and the RV *Sikuliaq* (four floats) all leave port in October while the RV *Kaharoa* (14 floats), RV *Ron Brown* (12 floats), and the RV *Polarstern* (ten floats) depart in November.



Gators Rise

Goose Creek High School, Gators Creek, SC.



The 2025 EARTH teacher workshop will be July 27 – Aug 1 in Newport, Oregon and you can start thinking about your application (remember, we want you to try and evaluate one of the EARTH [lesson plans](#) as part of the application <https://www.mbari.org/education/education-research-testing-hypotheses-earth/lesson-plans/>).

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. We are now accepting submissions for the [2025 student sticker competition](#). You can get more information and guidelines at

<https://www.go-bgc.org/outreach/2025-sticker-contest> - Deadline is February 1, 2025. 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 or 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 recent GO-BGC and SOCCOM floats or <https://www.flickr.com/photos/139764369@N07/> for older SOCCOM floats

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