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2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. A Basket of FatBy David HolubetzWell, someone other than the author should probably review this book ...All At Sea Yarns is a collection of Cap'n Fatty's articles for the Caribbean boating magazine All At Sea. Not quite as slick and loaded with ads as Sail or Cruising World, All At Sea is willing to pay real money even to someone like Cap'n Fatty. Kinda makes you wonder.The stories range from ridiculous 'Inside the Outboard Conspiracy' to sublime 'Another Sunrise in Paradise' and touching 'Write On Peter'. There are stories about his family, traveling the world, working on the boat, sending his daughter off to college, being married, dealing with technology, fixing broken boat gear and writing for a living. The common thread is his lighthearted approach to sharing the life of a real life sea gypsy in the Virgin Islands and beyond. If you judge the book for literary qualities, it is probably best suited for bathroom reading. But if you love life and have an adventurous spirit, if you want to get an honest picture of what the liveaboard sailing life is really like, there is no better place to look than in Cap'n Fatty's books. He is the real deal - he's lived his life engaging the world and embracing all the joys and challenges that arise. To me, this is the measure of a real man. And to do it with a sense of humor and humility shows a strength of character that his boozing and flailing might obscure at first glance.You have to give his wife a lot of credit too, for putting up with all the nonsense for so many years. All of us sailors dream of finding a good woman like that - someone who can live in a small floating box, take the wheel on a long passage and still be a happy wife and mother most of the time.

My favorite quote from the book : "Once, when a fan of mine commented on how I made my living by playing the fool, my daughter replied sorrowfully, 'Yep, mom and I used to think it was an act too!'" Highly recommended for sailors, dreamers, anarchists, wanderers, aging hippies and aspiring writers. 1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. Great fun written by a likable guy By Berg Just bought two copies for me and my 'little' brother. This book is not the greatest quality in form of print and images, but my God, it is a lot of fun, and that makes up for anything. Reading about Fatty's travels and his lovable wife Carolyn for the last 10+ years in different sailing magazines, we feel we know them and they seem to be a bunch of down-to-earth fun. Fatty is self-deprecating and it is hard to believe it when he claims to have learned little in 40-50 years of life as a sea gypsy. And it is this style of writing that makes us all identify with him. We make the same mistakes at sea, but I hide mine (and pretend it was all on purpose), while Fatty let us laugh at his and recognize ourselves as less than perfect sailors...A great read that I highly recommend!!!

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