

SPECIAL REPORT



1. The point loading of a roadside guardrail doomed this boat, whose anchor rodes had parted during Tropical Storm Isabel in Annapolis, Md.

2. Although this Beneteau 44's solid FRP stem is capable of handling sailing loads, there was little question as to whether the rock or the fiberglass would win the tussle that left a gaping hole in its hull.

3. A hole is all that is left of FRP-bonded stainless steel chainplates on this Island Packet 44, which was found dismasted and driven onto rocks beneath a low bridge near Stamford, Conn.

