

E-charting Guide Packed with Useful Info

arthNC is among the numerous topics covered in Mark and Diana Doyle's "Get Onboard with E-Charting" reference guide (Semi-Local Publications). The Doyles, who also authored "Managing the Waterway" which PS gave an enthusiastic review in the Oct. 15, 2005 issue—offer in this new book a comprehensive look into the evolving world of digital, PC-based navigation. The chapters are well-organized, and the topics

are explained clearly. Product overviews are accompanied by lists of pros and cons, system requirements, and other valuable information. The book, which comes with a disc of trial software, is written for "boaters with computers." It offers real-life scenarios and ultimately answers the question of what you really need and which product is the best fit for your needs. If you have a PC onboard, this is a must read. (\$35, landfallnavigation.com)