

Wednesday, February 2, 2011

Test sail

This morning we finished installing the new terminals. The wind was ideal for testing the rigging - force 5 at 20kn. So I went out alone to see how it goes. I was a little nervous because I haven't sailed alone for a while now, and then you would wish for a little less. But well. I always get like this when I'm too long in the marina. Confidence at sea is something that takes constant practice. But usually once the mainsail is up and the engine off my nervousness fades as quickly as the exhaust fumes. Today was no different, and I quickly began to enjoy the little trip. Sails! - But where are the boats? I hope that the wind goes down a little towards the evening so that I can set up the wind vane nicely. With the current swell and wind there is just a little too much action to do this alone safely, because it usually involves a lot of leaning out of the boat. But everything together it looks quite good. The wind-generator is also working nicely again, everything is stowed away, and the to-do list is down to buy fruit, fillup fuel and water, setup wind-vane, pickup my diving gear, and put Vespina "in mothballs" (not sold yet). Maybe I'll even find some time to catch up on my emails and answer some, I was just too busy during the last weeks. Tomorrow I plan to be out for most of the day, and then have a look at the terminals again. If everything goes well I want to leave on Friday around noon.

Posted by Axel Busch in Gudrun V at 08:45

A success. Great! Let's here for smooth sailing
Anonymous on Feb 2 2011, 09:33

Klingt, als obs jetzt wirklich ernst wird... Bin wahrscheinlich genauso aufgeregt wie du! Ich drÃ¼ck dir die Daumen, dass alles klappt!
Anonymous on Feb 2 2011, 09:36

Ah, that should read - Let's hear IT for smooth sailing. It seems my typing isn't as smooth as your sailing.

Un fuerte abrazo!
Anonymous on Feb 2 2011, 09:38