

Monday, June 11. 2012

At anchor

The wind is changing all the time. Spend a few hours in the cockpit and you'll get a 360 degree view of the atoll. Not that I spend a few hours in the cockpit, there's way too much sun. Even with the awning up. Liz and I prefer it "downstairs", away from the sun. The open hatch and a ventilator above the table keep the air flowing and make it bearable, despite 30 degrees celsius.

Yesterday evening we dinghied ashore and walked the one street of the village along the beach. Here some impressions:

S/Y A Go Go, Romano and Luana's boat.

A jetty going out into the lagoon

My good friend, partner, fiancée, 1st mate, and galley guru Liz.

Well, I guess that's me then.

Sunset and a construction for hauling boats out of the water.

When not on passage we sleep in the forepeak (front of the boat). During the passage there's too much movement there, uncomfortable, and the weight up front is also not good for the trim of the boat. But at anchor it's quite nice, and sleeping up front has the benefit that I can hear what's going on with the anchor chain. Last night it was moving over rocks (or coral), which is not great. So today I dived to check it out.

As a result of all the swinging around the anchor chain was wrapped around a coral head. Not good for the coral, and also impossible to get the anchor up without diving. So I unwrapped the chain, and then undug the anchor and half dragged/half carried it to a area clear of coral. Inflating the BCD all the way helped a little, but the 24kg anchor is too heavy to be lifted by a little bcd. Eventually, maybe 20m to the side, I found a nice little hole in the sand into which I dug the anchor in.

Posted by Axel Busch in Gudrun V at 19:46

hi ihr 2!

axel - du alter anker-chef, alles im lot?

und noch immer ein frisches helly hansen polo im gepäck! ach nee - bei der pacific-crossing-session wurde ja auch gewaschen -

wie sich die zeiten ändern - fett *g*! passt scho . . .

wir sind zurück von fuerte - waren zwei super wochen mit der family. kommenden montag startet die arbeit wieder - nicht wirklich lust darauf.

ciao - bis die tage

micha + der rest der reuthers

Anonymous on Jun 13 2012, 05:21