

Wednesday, August 22, 2012

On the way!

Wednesday, 2012-08-22, 17:00 local (Thursday 03:00 UTC), 17:27S, 149:42W,
Wind 5-10kn NE, 30C, 1016mBar, sunny with clouds

Sometimes it's best to just go. The weather forecast for today wasn't great (e.g. no wind), and then I got delayed further waiting for the delivery of my kayak that I bought yesterday. Of course the guys didn't show up in the early morning as promised, but only at 2pm. Too late to make it the 150nm to Bora Bora before nightfall next day. Two reasons to delay another day.

But I'm eager to get going. And while I can't it to Bora Bora in this wind, I can make it the 120nm to Raiatea. Which means I'll see Gisela and Uwe from SY Venus one last time before I leave French Polynesia, sweet. So ... bye bye Tahiti!

I cast off at Papeete at 2:30 That was 2 1/2 hours ago, now I'm 10nm further, and so far everything worked perfectly, even the sun came out. What a nice surprise. I was expecting some trouble after two months ashore. Well, plenty of time until tomorrow for things to go wrong. Only downside at the moment is the very light wind and some cross-seas (from the SE and NE), which make the boat roll and the sails flap now and then. But hey ... I'm sailing again! Single-handing in the south pacific. Yaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaay!

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