

Friday, September 14. 2012

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Friday, 2012-09-14, 11:50 UTC-10, 19:40.177S, 168:08.658W, COG 280, SOG 6.5kn, Wind 20-25kn SE

3:30am the trough finally passed through and I could turn the boat west again and toward Niue. No need to unfurl the genoa or pull up the main, there's plenty of wind. The sea is a little rough, but ok. It's drizzling, and sometimes spray is kicked over the sides.

I'm glad I decided to take an extra day. As the conditions were I wouldn't have made it yesterday anyway, I would only have gotten frustrated. Memories of the begging of my trip in the Mediterranean pop up. Feels like a very long time ago, hehe.

The weather isn't really nice outside. I went out to have a look, got drenched by spray, went down again. So I stay below mostly and just pop my head up every half hour. The one thing I'm concerned about a little is coming around Niue in the night. I better give it a berth of a few miles, there's going to be fishery stuff in the water for sure, and I won't see it in the moonless night. Maybe also whales "logging" (sleeping). Don't want to bump into one. Richard recommended to go all the way around then follow the leading line on the chart (leading lights are broken of course). Sounds like a good idea.

Plan for today: not much. I'm feeling slightly uncomfortable from the boat movements. So basically: into the bunk, read, out of the bunk, look around, into the bunk, read, out of the bunk, look around, ... Started reading "Google SketchUp for Game Design".

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Posted by Axel Busch in Gudrun V at 17:04