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Surprises while painting the cockpit

Freshly painted cockpit On Ibiza I had sawed off a piece from a iron bar in the cockpit. Even though I scrubbed the cockpit afterward, some sawdust remained. It rusted, and soon the cockpit looked like the boat was centuries old and sick to the bone. Tiny yellow stains everywhere! But because it was raining pretty much all the time, I couldn't do anything about it. But this week the sun came out. So yesterday I took a can of regular white paint, and a different can of anti-slip white paint and went at it. First I painted the sides of the cockpit with the regular white paint. And since it was going so well, I painted all other parts of the boat that looked like they could use some paint too. Specifically around the windows. After the paint had dried I took the can with anti-slip white paint and went to work on the floor of the cockpit and the deck. But when I was done I realized that both cans had contained anti-slip paint. Doh! At least now the deck as well the window frames are totally slip proof! Only trouble with it is that the anti-slip paint collects dust and looks grey after a short time. So I'll have to repaint the windows rather sooner than later. Maybe I shouldn't have been painting my ship with 39,5° fever. But today I'm feeling a lot better. The fever is down to 37,5°. There's still a lot of coughing and nose blowing and a headache, but it's definitely going uphill. Probably the sense of achievement worked wonders. My plan was to leave here Saturday and sail to Gibraltar. But I probably should wait for a few more days until I'm fully recovered. At least from the weather forecast it looks like the wind is changing more frequently now.

Posted by Axel Busch in Vespina at 07:36

Gute Besserung Axel!
Anonymous on Mar 25 2010, 13:28

lol, zum. hast du nicht den rumpf mit anti slip eingeschmiert ... gute besserung und auf zum affen¼gel
Anonymous on Mar 27 2010, 00:06

I see you like to keep busy... get well!

Buen Viaje
Anonymous on Mar 27 2010, 04:28