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Tomorrow I will make Cox salad for dinner. We had our evening libation on the aft deck, while chatting with Cindy & Pete Darlington of the A sport fish. He is 40 years old and retired 3 years. He used to be a crop duster, bush pilot, had his own small air freight Co. (What does this tell you?)

Dinner was Roast cornish game hen and pan fried potatoes with parsley. Not said they were exceptionally good. I had fried them this time in a small pot of butter w/ a tablespoon of olive oil added; fresh parsley & paprika.

We really enjoyed our day!

We played a couple of hands of Gin and then each showered and went nana.

A good good day! Although I've been a little dizzy

Friday, May 21, 1993

Club Cay

I awoke today at 4:30 A.M. Wide awake after 7 hours of sleep (Have to stop these early bedtimes 'cause 7 hours is my max. for sleep)

It feels like it will be a pretty day for the sky is full of stars. The birds are singing as the sun begins to rise, but I don't think this would be a day to go, either, since there is a brisk breeze out of the N.W. this A.M.

Today we plan a walk around the Island. Note: When there is no breeze the flies in Club are very bad. I have a sinus infection. I began anti-biotics today. (I feel a little 'shaky'. It was our decision, even though reports from Gassy and Salsa were ~~that~~ it was nice but a little 'solly' pretty good, to stay and give me a day to get this infection under control

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After a light lunch we took a walk around the entire yacht club. This encompasses a large harbour and two great 1/2 moon beaches. Spectacular. I got some pictures of nature rebounding around still storm torn buildings. It was a two hour walk at a leisurely pace (this to baby my knee.) Also some good shots of the beaches and one or two of each other.

Mort says he does not plan to let anything bother him on this trip. Amazingly, so far, he has done just that; and we have had one or two troublesome moments. It's been good!!!

When we came back from our walk, the Captain, Al, of the Outrageous - a huge Viking sport fish - was washing the boat + we had a chat with him. In return for having loaned him our plunger yesterday he gave us 4 huge - just caught yesterday - Wahoo filets.

I packaged them up and put them in our freezer. They were almost frozen solid.

My plan for tonight's dinner is the conch salad I made, a catfish filet and some white rice.

I just had a great shower + shampoo. The water from our water maker is so soft that it requires only a dab of soap or shampoo. Otherwise it takes oodles of water to rinse off.

I just got the 4:00 weather and it looks like we'll leave here tomorrow for Nassau.

As we began our cocktails, after Mort's shower, the fellas from Outrageous came back. We gave them cocktails, beer after their showers - they were a sandy mess from diving - a tour of Miss Shugah. ~~Actually~~ actually, the tour was given to the owner of Outrageous, Jeff Lovell (a sweet guy

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who lost his boat, home and business to (Andrew) and his buddy from K-mart, Mike. Jeff said that he has a nursery business and sells his plants to K-mart and Home Depot. He said K-Mart gave him a Million Dollars to rebuild. Incredible.

Jeff + Mike loved the boat. Jeff says someday this is what he wants. Randy + John couldn't make the tour.

In addition to the Wahoo, the Captain gave me his Conch Chowder recipe. He is half Italian and Half Bahamian - Al Caputo is his name.

We had dinner late - 9:00 ish - it was the best conch salad I ever made. We also had pan fried catfish.

Legits out about 10:30 P.M.

Saturday, May 22, 1993

Club Cay to Nassau

I awake at 5:45 and began getting weather. Visually it looks like a good day to go, but we are concerned about what we will find in Nassau.

Every station I listened to gave me different stats. Very frustrating. Finally at 8:30 A.M. we used a land line to call the Nassau Weather MET. They said A.P. Calm 2-3 feet ^{waves} in afternoon NNW - NNE 10-15 knots 2-4ft. waves.

We cranked the engines and were away from the pier at 8:45. We passed the rocks west of Club at 9:18.

At the 10:00 engine room check Mort began the watermaker. We'll run it until 1:00. Our ETA is 1:11 at Marker #2

Note: The anti-lustic seems to be doing the trick I feel very much better. At least the dizziness has subsided.

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Note: We think the chart is inaccurate.

It is a gorgeous day. Sunny, light breeze S.E., waves less than a foot - flat calm - in 1600 fathoms of water. I pray it continues this way.

Mort is really enjoying this. It is the flattest sea we have had since we began this trip.
Delicious!!!

At 11:00 engine room check. Mort found Jenny running ^{almost} 200. He shut down water maker. Checked again at 11:08 down below 190°

At 11:16 we began picking up some long rollers. Not Bad

11:30 Temp. on Jenny to 185°

At 11:35 Mort saw Nassaw with his binoculars.

12:00 Check 184°.

At Noon exactly Mort spoke to Drio, the dock master at Nassaw Yacht Haven. (Our E.T.A. is 1:30). He said our package from Carol was there. He also said we could have the west T head as requested. We hope for a Starboard lay.

At 12:20 the waves are still less than a foot but the breeze is beginning to pick up a little.

Note: Last trips log tells us to take 151° to the lighthouse to pick up the sea breeze. I'll let you know.
Lighthouse just below large ship - Perfect spot 151° ^{from here}

Must get to lighthouse

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From sea just aim at the ships until lighthouse picked up.

We were at # 2 at 1:30 P.M., 2:00 P.M. we were at the pier and all was secure & plugged in by 3:00 P.M. We still don't have water since there was a pipe break here.

Mort says this is the best sea conditions we ever had on an ocean crossing. If only the Jenny had given us no trouble. Tomorrow Mort will check it.

We plan to rest until dinner, which probably will be at the "poop deck."

Dinner was delicious, and we were starved. (I had ^{had} only a wedge of Salami all day, and Mort had the leftover Corch Salad.) We ordered Bahamian & Fried Chicken, french fries & Cole slaw.

Then we came back to the boat for an after dinner drink (Mort had Zambuca, I had water), only to find that the 90' Victorious Lady, had pulled in front of us. (you know Rhoda's boat) We had a brief chat with the Captain, Tom, whom we had met in Key West at one of Michael's Soiree's. Then we had a ciguatera talk with Walt (Vickie) from Celebration.

It seems Jerry & Linda of Cadance, Jim & Kathy of Pelican, and Walt & Vickie, his Mom & their son or nephew, had dined on a huge Amber Jack Walt had caught. They all got a tremendous dose of ciguatera from it. Linda, Kathy and the 19 year old boy were so sick that a Coast Guard helicopter had to air lift them from the secluded island they were on to a hospital in Nassau, where they were put on IV fluids. There is no manitol in the Bahamas. (Weird; but true)