

The End - 2014

Aug 27th our final day of the trip — Time to head home! 7:25am we left Seattle bound for our boathouse at Tacoma Yacht Club. We had a great 20.80nm passage with the sun shining and calm seas. Traveling on autopilot at about 7 knots gave us time to get everything packed up and for the family to talk about the incredible adventure we had over the last 30 days.

We have done trips like this (to varying lengths) over the last 13 years and its always amazing what it does for the family dynamic and how close we become. That's not to say it's easy — there are times we all want to kill each other. You're all stuck on a small boat — no escape. However it forces you to live in the moment. Cell and Internet service is limited, and most everything you do you do together. It's a challenge, an adventure — on a boat its all up to you — navigating, dealing with weather, currents, tides, anchoring, repairs and most of all keeping everyone safe in an environment where a lot could go wrong. It's an extremely rewarding experience.

As we pull into the boathouse it feels good to be home. Its exciting thinking about seeing all the people you missed, going back to work and school for the kids. Getting back to real life will be fun but something pulls you back to life on

a boat — Its almost hard to leave and the minute you walk away you just want to come back for more. 10:35am Wednesday August 27^{th} we were finally home!

Trip Summary -

Total miles traveled = 404.55 nautical miles — 465.54 regular miles

Engine hours = 65 hours 50 minutes

TYC - 0ro Bay, 13.73nm

Oro Bay - Fair Harbor, 16.69nm

Fair Harbor - Pirates Cove, 2.3nm

Pirates Cove - Wollochet, 22.69nm

Wollochet - Anacortes, 81.57nm

Anacortes - Matia, 18.57nm

Matia - Patos, 5.82nm

Patos - Stewart, 10.53nm

Stewart - Sidney, 9.36nm

Sidney - Victoria, 20.43

Victoria - Victoria Yacht Club, 10.44nm

Victoria Yacht Club - Russell, 19.07nm

Russell - Genoa Bay, 9.9nm

Genoa — Thetis, 14.42nm

Thetis — Otter Bay, 19.38nm

Otter Bay — Prevost Isl, 5.49nm

Prevost - Bennett Bay, 11.2nm

Bennett - Roche Harbor, 15.8nm

Roche - Port Ludlow, 48.66nm

Ludlow - Seattle, 27.7nm

Seattle — Home TYC, 20.8nm





