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12 YEARS

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Around the World

NOTABLE EQUIPMENT DESTROYED :

- 7 jibs
- 2 main sails
- 2 mizzens
- 1 set of sail covers
- 2 tarps
- 3 anchors
- 2 depth sounders
- 1 windvane
- 3 length of chain
- 5 hallyards
- 1 jib sheet
- 8 puleys
- dozens of shackles
- 1 gear box
- 3 VHF
- 2 fishing reels
- 2 spearguns
- 1 dinghy
- 2 outboard engines
- 2 outrigger canoes

- 3 kayaks
- 6 sets of oars
- 5 surfboards
- 3 bicycles
- 4 solar panels
- 10 batteries
- 1 angle grinder
- 3 pneumatic hammers
- 3 power drills
- 1 welding machine
- 1 plasma cutter
- 2 sewing machines
- 3 deck tables
- 2 stoves
- 5 BBQs
- 1 stereo
- 3 ipods
- 1 accordeon
- 10 laptops
- 2 tablets

STUFF THAT SURVIVED :

- Standing rigging
- Main engine and Generator
- Mounted GPS
- Winches
- Winch handles
- Blue jib sheet (original from 1992 !)
- MOB pole
- Guitar
- and... Shaft bearing (oups!)

KARAKA IS STILL WITHOUT :

- Fridge
- SSB radio
- Radar
- Roller furler
- Autopilot
- Electric anchor winch

of :

- N. Miles : 64 000+
- Engine Hours : 3 046
- Crew : 126
- Crew nationalities : 29
- Countries visited : 36
- Haul outs : 7
- Massive Storms : 2
- Pirate Attacks : 1
- Natural disasters endured : 1
- Times Kat put paw ashore : 3
- Bottles of Rhum : 624
- Time running aground : 4
- Crazy stories : just ask me in person
- Levels of personal growth : countless
- Skills learned : more than expected
- Great experiences : too many to count
- Cockroaches hosted : we stopped counting

RECORDS

LONGEST PASSAGE : 54 days
between Panama city and Hiva Oa, Marquesas Islands

LONGEST TIME WITHOUT INTERNET :
3 months 1 week
20 feb- 02 june 2007, Indian Ocean

MAX # OF CREW : 9

HIGHEST SPEED : 12,4 Knots

BIGGEST FISH CAUGHT : 80 Lbs SAILFISH
near the coast of Zanzibar

LONGEST STAY WITHOUT SAILING :
1 Year 6 months
La Paz, Mexico – January 2011 to june 2012
(while the crew was sailing another boat to Australia)