

Memorial Day Cruise Update from your Cruise Committee

Predictions for Prisoners Harbor Friday afternoon are for small craft advisory and hazardous conditions. Winds in the high 20's to the mid 30's out of the WNW (315 degrees) are predicted to begin early in the day. These predictions are not favorable for Prisoners Harbor high winds combined with swells of short intervals will make the anchorage uncomfortable at best.

Winds will continue to be strong until midnight then gradually decrease until Saturday morning when the wind is expected to be below 10 knots. Consequently your cruise committee is recommending extreme caution be exercised for a Friday departure. Forecast for Saturday and Sunday is light and variable winds in the morning with breezy white-capping conditions in the afternoons.

For now the cruise is still on for Saturday and Sunday, however official Friday evening activities are being cancelled. In the end each boat captain must make up their mind if the boat and crew are up to the expected conditions.

Please watch the VYC website and your email for updates later this week. Monitor weather forecasts and current conditions using the tools you are comfortable with. In addition to VHF NOAA weather broadcasts we like the following sites:

http://www.sailflow.com/windandwhere.iws?regionID=129®ionProductID=30&day=0&timeoffset=7&selected_model_id=

<http://www.buoyweather.com/wxnav6.jsp?region=SD&program=Maps>

http://www.ndbc.noaa.gov/station_page.php?station=46053

<http://forecast.weather.gov/MapClick.php?lat=34.048108084909835&lon=-119.6575927734375&site=lox&smap=1&unit=0&lg=en>