

Miles River Shakedown Cruise – 2014

The plans for the Miles River shakedown were left loose on purpose. We knew we were going to be out on a “Major” weekend. In order to maximize our chances of having a reasonable time in the most prime of prime anchorages Anne and I on Fiscal Stray left the dock at about 1:30 PM on Friday May 23, 2014 and headed for Dividing Creek. We met Dennis and Stephanie Sokso on Voyager sailing up the Wye River towards the creek.

Fiscal Stray entered first, thank you Denny, and anchored at N 38’ 53.37” and W 076’ 09.21” in over 7 feet of water. Voyager anchored just outside us. We were later joined by Irv and Jayne Hetherington on Karaya and Dick and Judy Tanczos on Rejuvenation. All, less the crew from Rejuvenation who arrived a bit later, attended a captain’s cocktail party on Fiscal Stray. Anchoring early meant that even if we only got 2 decent spots to anchor we could have rafted the other boats if we had needed to.

Saturday at Captain’s Call, all were asked if they wished to move on. No one did – we were in a beautiful anchorage and had plenty of room for our boats. Judy and Anne did the rounds on their kayaks and others read and did boat chores. We had a pot luck on Fiscal Stray where all brought parts of the meal and Anne supplied all with BBQ pulled pork.

The weather for the entire weekend was beautiful except the wind was on the nose going to Dividing Creek and had died coming home.

Sunday Fiscal Stray and Karaya elected to move home. Voyager and Rejuvenation decided to stay another night. A wonderful time was had by all in a very beautiful anchorage.

Engelskirchen, Tod / Pilert, Anne on Fiscal Stray – 2 nights

Hetherington, Irv and Jayne on Karaya – 2 nights

Sokso, Dennis and Stephanie on Voyager – 3 nights

Tanczos, Dick and Judy on Rejuvenation – 3 nights