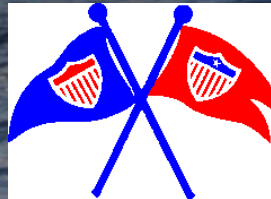


Across the Pacific, Florida to the Philippines in Photos

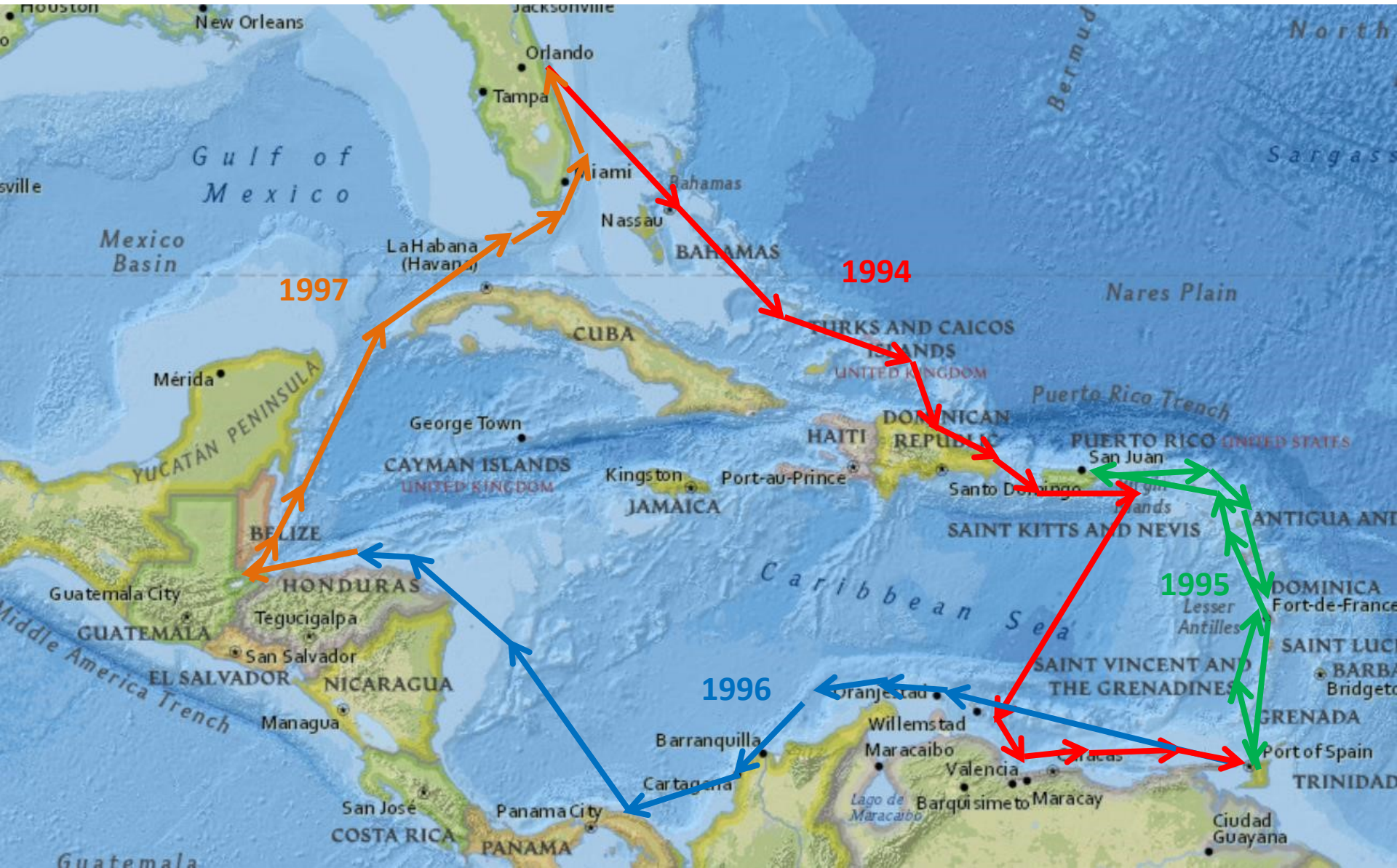
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Oahu, Hawaii

Sherry & Dave McCampbell
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Sherry's Carib Trip (Island Time) 1994-1997



Your text here.

Dave's SOGGY PAWS DEC 98 - SEP02 Caribbean Circumnavigation



Soggy Paws Across the Pacific 2007-2015

PACIFIC OCEAN

ASIA

Japan

NORTH AMERICA

MELBOURNE

Rio Dulce

2007

Colombia

2008

Panama

Galapagos

2009

Ecuador

Peru

SOUTH AMERICA

Chile

Juan Fernandez

Philippines

2015

Yap

Truk

2014

Marshall Islands

DAVAO

Palau

F.S.M.

Pohnpei

Solomons

2013

Tarawa

Samoa

2011

Societies

Marquesas

Tuamotus

Fiji

Tonga

2012

Tahiti

French Polynesia

Gambiers

Pitcairn Island

2010

Easter Island

AUSTRALIA

New Zealand

~30,000 nm



7 Years Florida to the Philippines

- **Prep- 10 years including 4 years around Carib,**
- **Depart Melbourne, FL 7 May 2007**
- **Key West, Dry Tortugas NP**
- **Carib- Guatemala, Honduras, Panama, Colombia**
- **Panama Canal, Perlas Islands**
- **Costa Rica, Cocos Isl, Ecuador, Peru, Chile**
- **Galapagos, Easter I, Pitcairn I,**
- **FPolynesia- Gambiers, Tuamotus, Marquesas**
- **Hawaii, Tuamotus, Societies**
- **Cooks, Samoas, Tonga, Fiji**
- **Tuvalu, Kiribati**
- **Micronesia- Marshalls, Federated States, Yap, Palau**
- **Arrival Philippines August 2014**

Cameras

Canon Powershot SD-1300 Digital 12.1 MP, 4X w/ underwater housing, flashlight

Nikon COOLPIX 9900 Digital, 16 MP, 30x, manual mode & GPS

Latest UW: Canon G7X Mk 2, FantaSea housing & 2 Sea Sea YS-01 strobes



Departed
Melbourne, FL
7 May 2007



Soggy Paws 2007-8 Track

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**Underway from
Boca Chica Naval Air
Station Marina for
parts unknown in
the Pacific!**





**Historic Ft Jefferson
Dry Tortugas National Park
Florida Keys**



**Resident Goliath Grouper,
under Ft Jefferson pier**

Dry Tortugas to Guatemala June/July



Jaguar Cave, Belize tubing trip





**Xunantunich
Mayan ruins
western Belize**



**Dinner at Turneffe
Atoll, Belize**

**Blue Hole,
Lighthouse
Atoll, Belize**





**Entering Rio
Dulce Canyon
Guatemala**



Antigua Guatemala

Sherry in front of a very active volcano near Antigua, Guatemala





Lake Atitlan
Guatemala highlands



**Tikal Mayan Ruins,
Guatemala**

Tikal Guatemala



Rio Dulce to Panama

Jan-Sep 2008



Porto Bello Panama

Spanish Plate Fleets
transshipment port 1500s-1700s

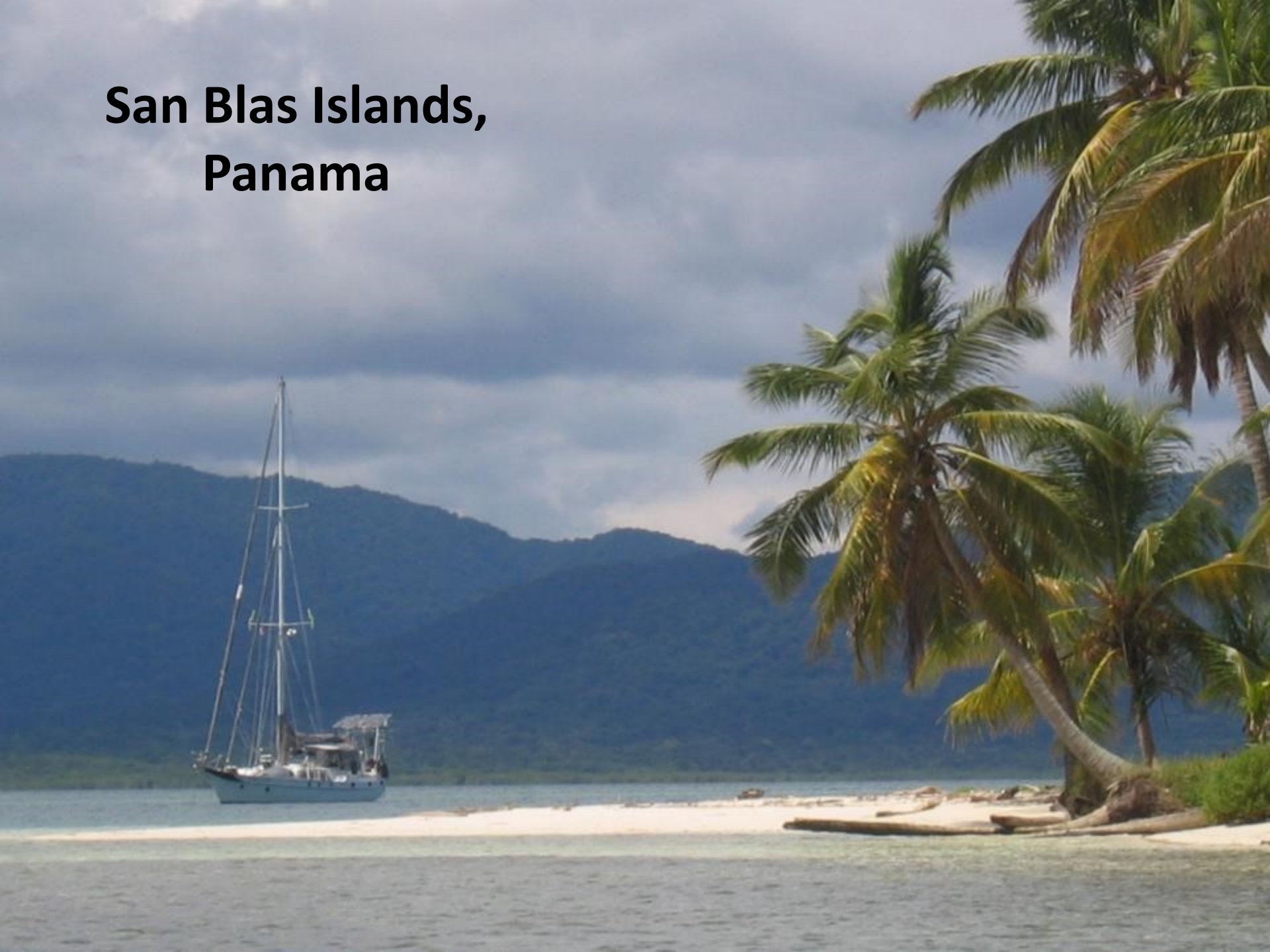


Customs house filled with
gold, silver in the streets

San Blas Islands Panama



San Blas Islands, Panama



The image shows the entrance to the Club Nautico in Cartagena, Colombia. The main entrance is a dark wooden door set within a stone archway. To the left of the door, a white sign reads "CLUB NAUTICO CARTAGENA" and "AVE. MIRAMAR 19-50". The walls are made of light-colored stone and feature decorative elements like blue and white dolphin sculptures, red and white mushroom-shaped planters, and blue and white seashell-shaped planters. A blue awning covers the upper part of the building, and a black metal fence runs along the top. The ground is paved with light-colored tiles and a brick border.

CLUB NAUTICO
CARTAGENA
AVE. MIRAMAR 19-50

RESTAURANTE
MARINA

**Club Nautico,
Cartagena, Colombia**

**Colombian Naval
History Museum- San
Jose diarama**





**Bogota from the top
of the Funicular tram**

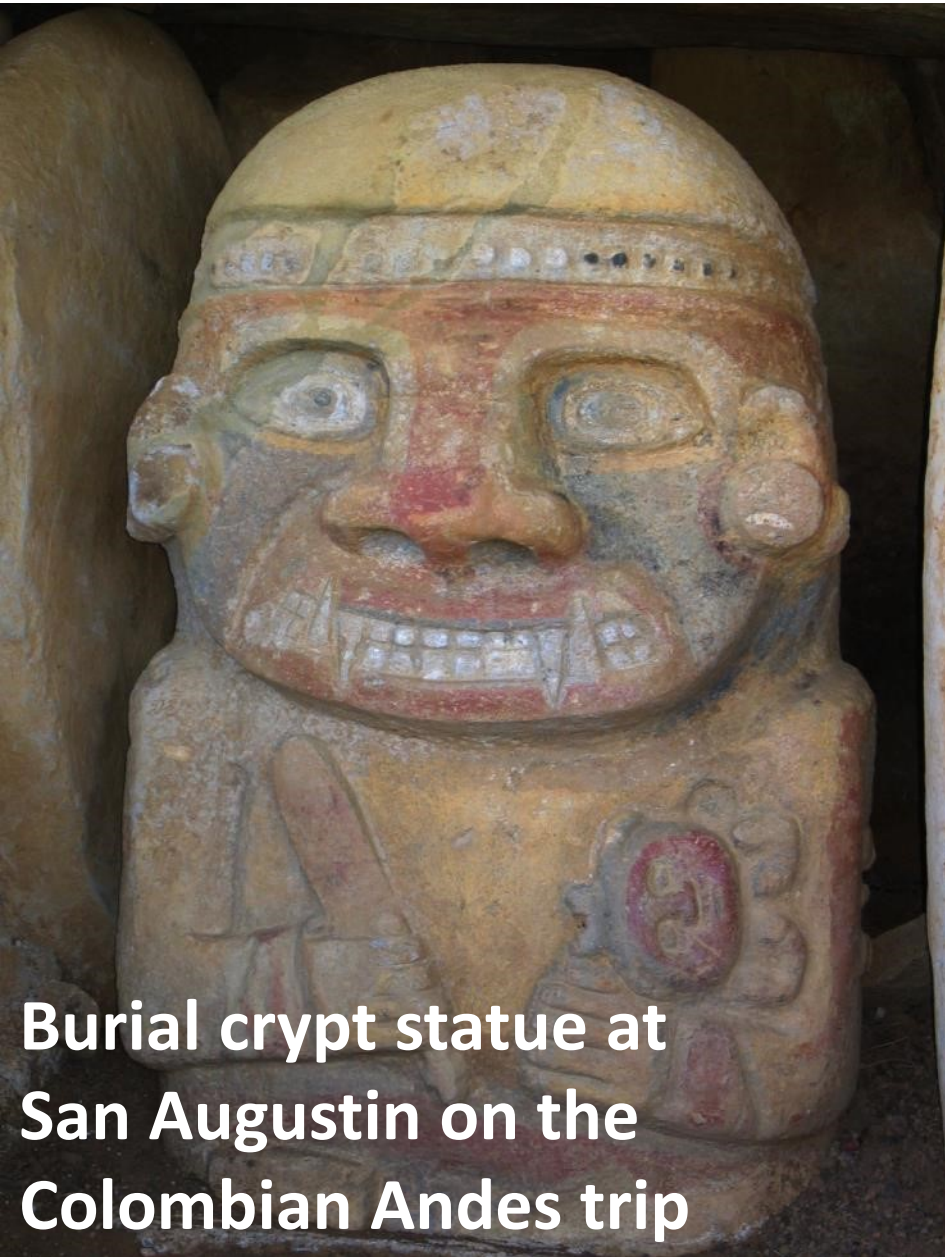


**Bolivar Square,
Bogota, Colombia**



**Free Bogota tour with
Colombian Tourist Police**

San Augustin, Colombian Andes



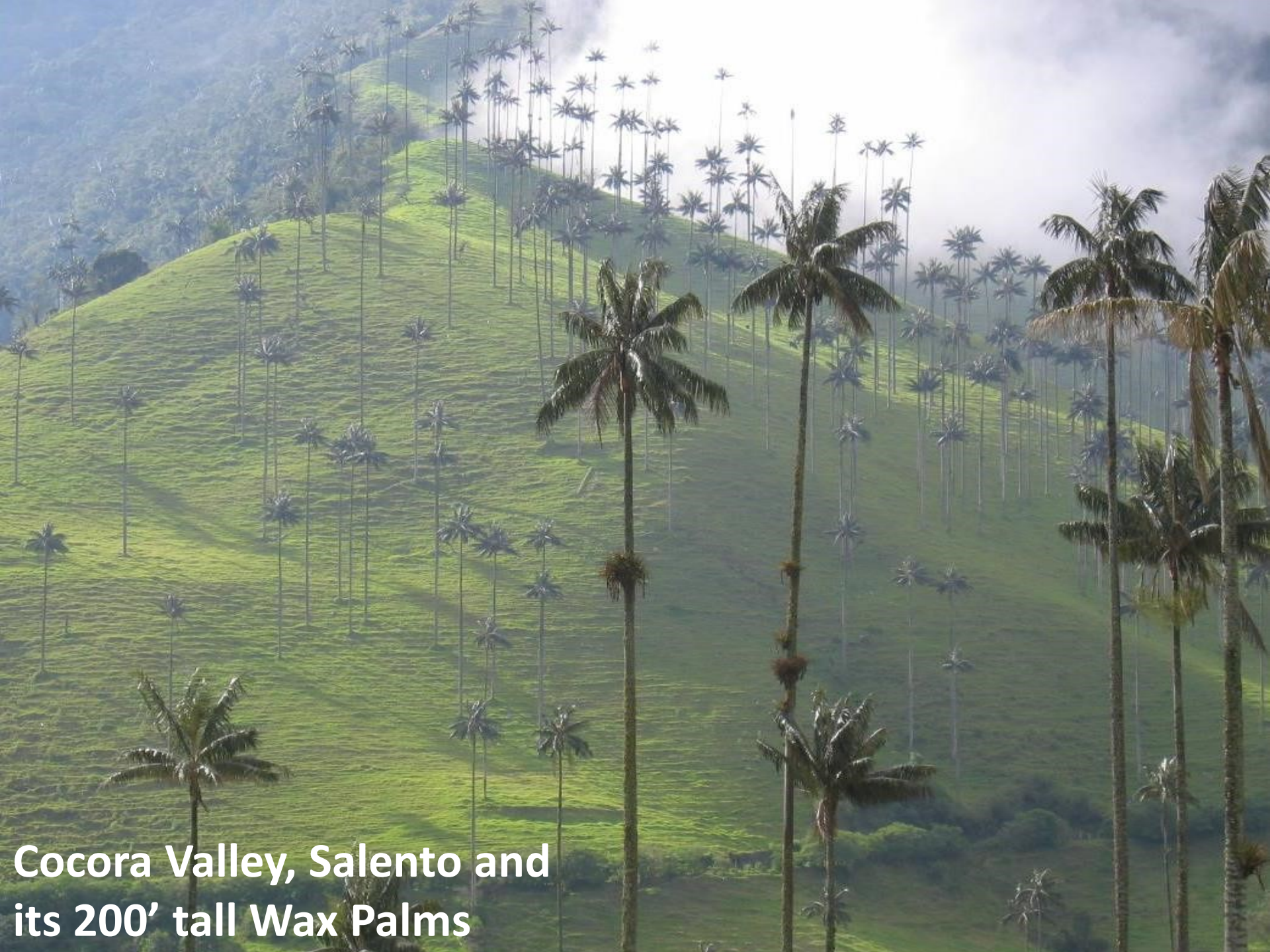
Burial crypt statue at
San Augustin on the
Colombian Andes trip



Rafting trip near
San Augustin

Salento, Colombian Andes hiking





**Cocora Valley, Salento and
its 200' tall Wax Palms**



**Church of the Immaculate
Conception, Manizales,
Colombian Andes**



**16,000 ft
in the Andes,
Los Nevados
National Park**

Ciudad Perdida hike Eastern Colombia



**Five day hike, 6 river
crossings, 1500 steps up**





**Ciudad
Perdida,
Teyuna
Indians,
Santa
Marta
Mountains,
Colombia**



**Colon, Panama Canal,
ready for the Pacific**

Panama to Ecuador



Golfito

Panama City

PANAMA

Gulf of Panama

Cocos Ridge

Cocos Island

Colombian Trench

GALÁPAGOS ISLANDS
(ARCHIPIÉLAGO DE COLÓN)
ECUADOR

Galapagos Islands

EQUATOR

Carnegie Ridge

Ecuador Trench

Gulfo de Guayaquil

Quito

Guayaquil

ECUADOR

Cali

Pasto

COLOMBIA

Magdalena

Cocos Island, Costa Rica



Cuenca, Ecuador





Haulout, Salinas Ecuador

Inland Travel South America



Torres del Paine Patagonia, Chile





Torres del Paine
Patagonia, Chile

Ushuaia, Argentina



Calafate Glacier, Argentina



Chiloe Isl Chile



Lima, Peru



**Dave, 1989 WW2 submarine
Pacocha refloating job
USN & Peruvian Navy**

White Mountains Peru 2009



**Vice Admiral Eduardo Darcourt,
AnaMaria & us at 14,000'**

Colca Canyon Peru



Apurimac River Rafting Peru



**Class 4-6 rapids, 5 days,
riverside camping, Israelies**



Sherry at Macchu Picchu Peru



Machu Picchu Peru



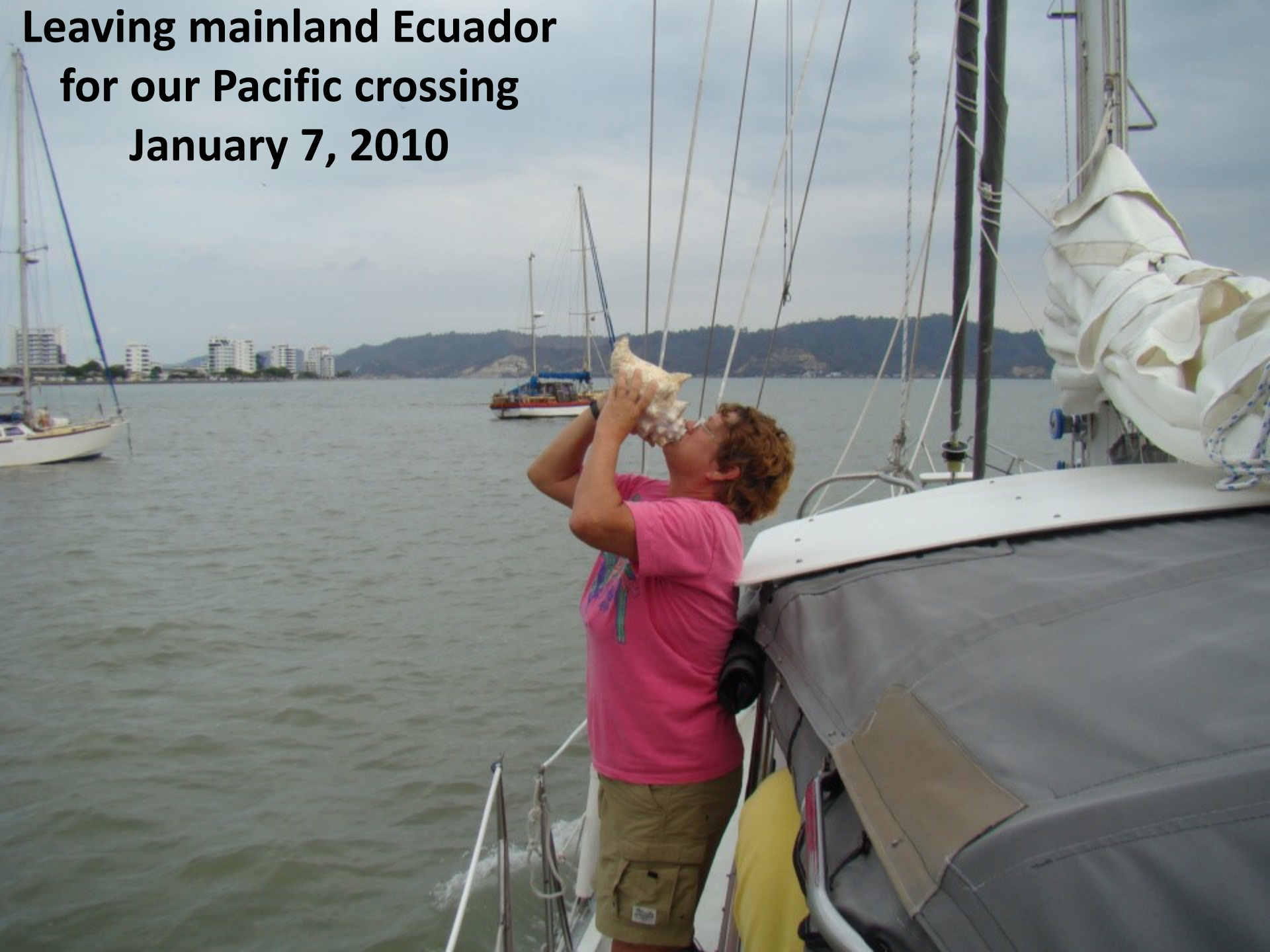
Puerto Lucia Yard Ecuador



Hempel blister and paint
scheme materials



**Leaving mainland Ecuador
for our Pacific crossing
January 7, 2010**



Route thru Galapagos Jan 11 to Mar 3 2010



Seal at rest
Galapagos



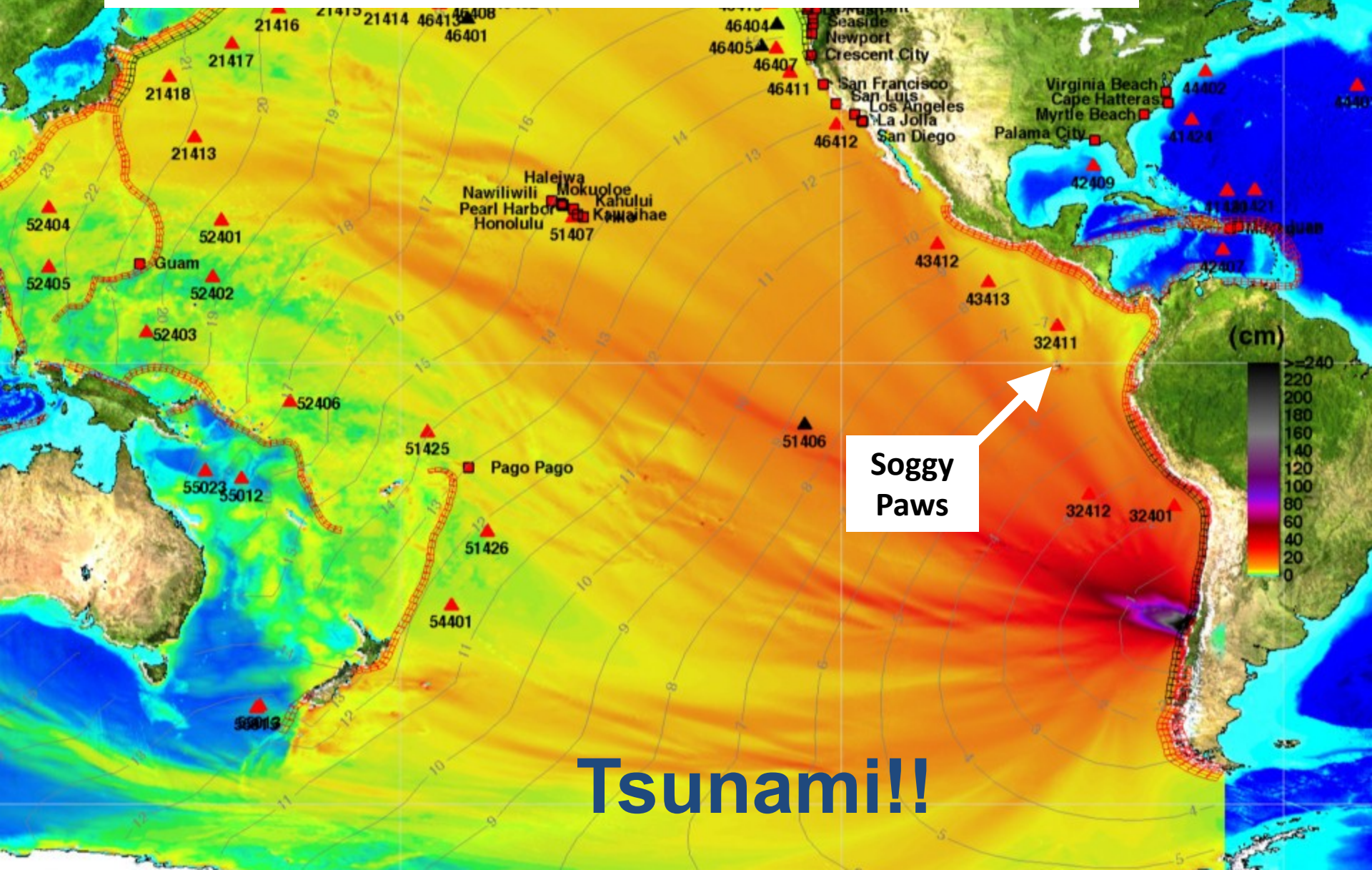


**Galapagos
Tortoise**

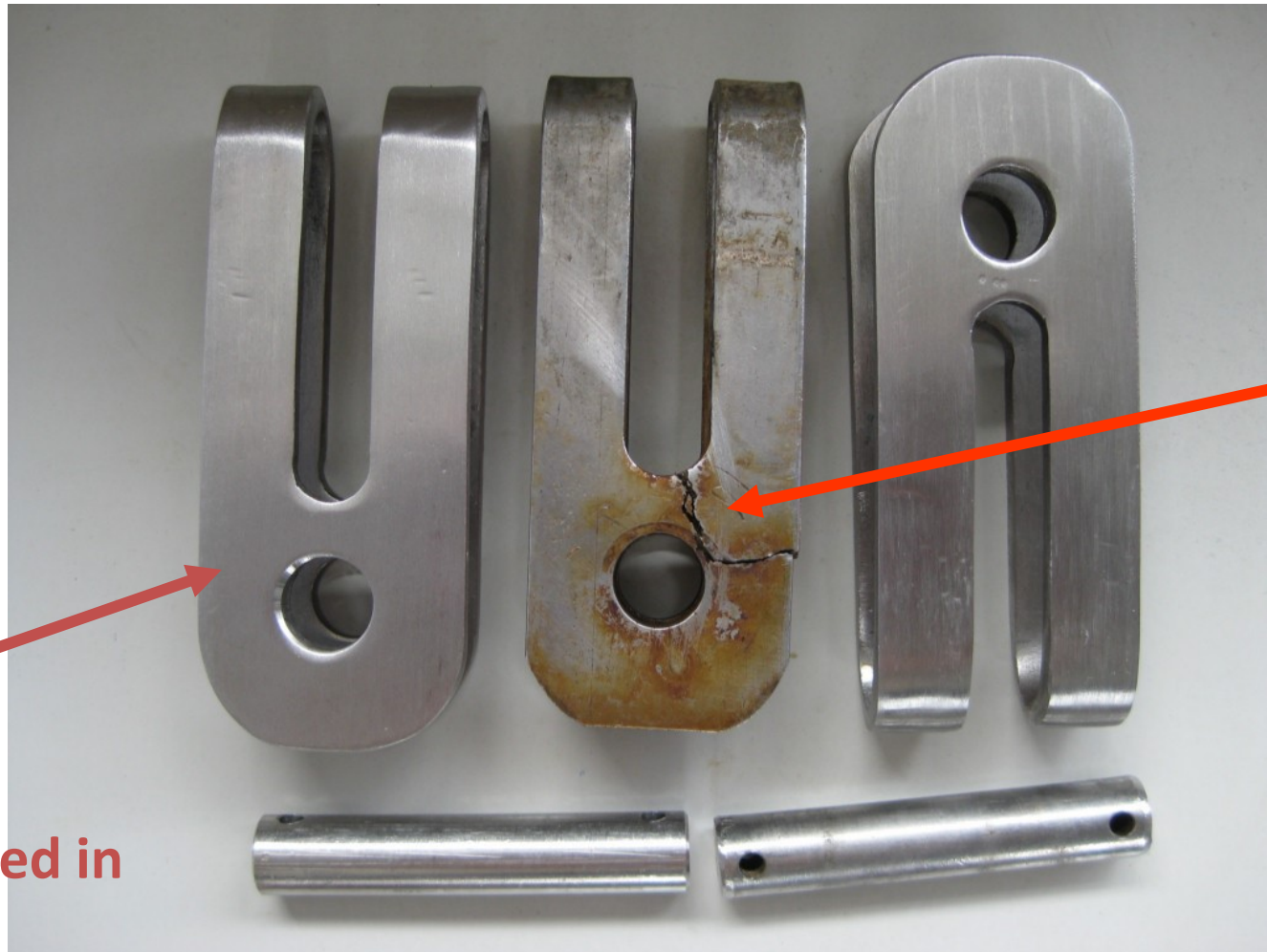


**Boobies dive
fishing**

Chilean Earthquake / Tsunami Feb 2010



Pre-departure rig inspection, we find a cracked toggle on the backstay!



New,
Fabricated in
Quito

Cracked!



Arrival Oct 10
FI-Alabama
game

Jan-Oct 2010,
9000 nm

Late
Sep

Aug to
mid-Sep

May to
July

April

Late
March

Early
March

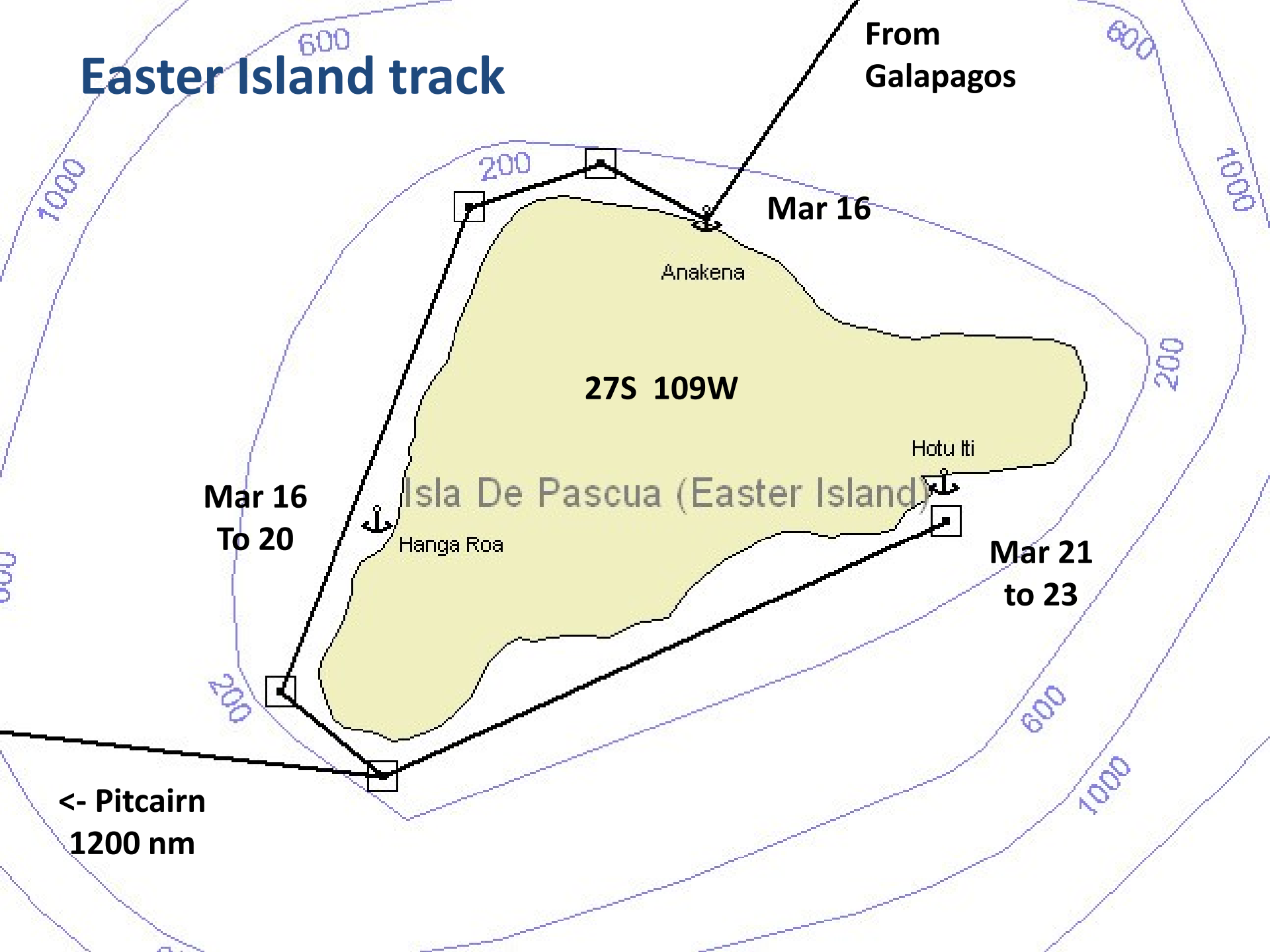
Jan



**Our Garmin
Chart Plotter**

**Underway to
Easter Island**

Easter Island track



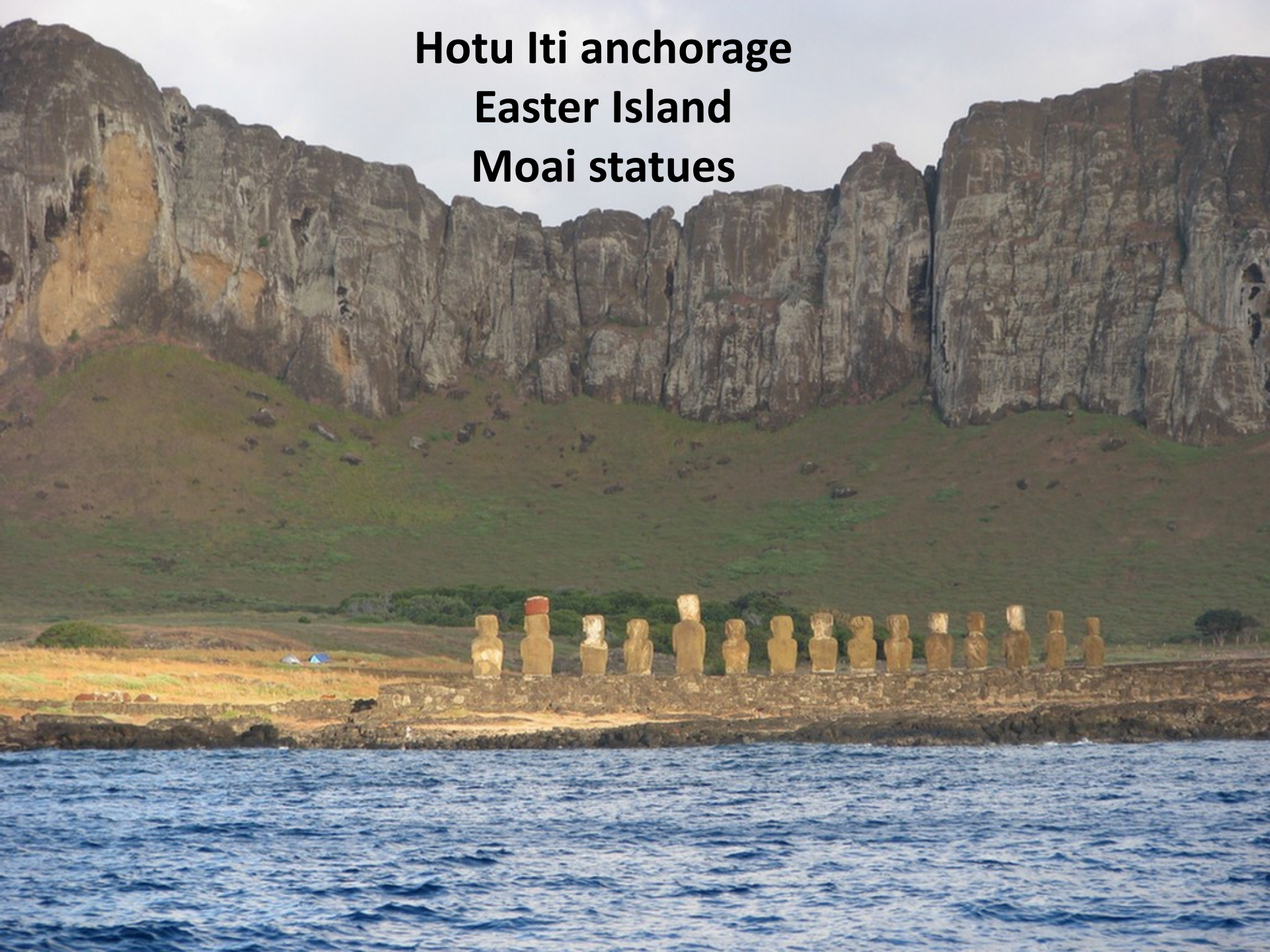


**Best anchorage at Easter
Island- an open roadstead**

“Birdman” Island Easter Island



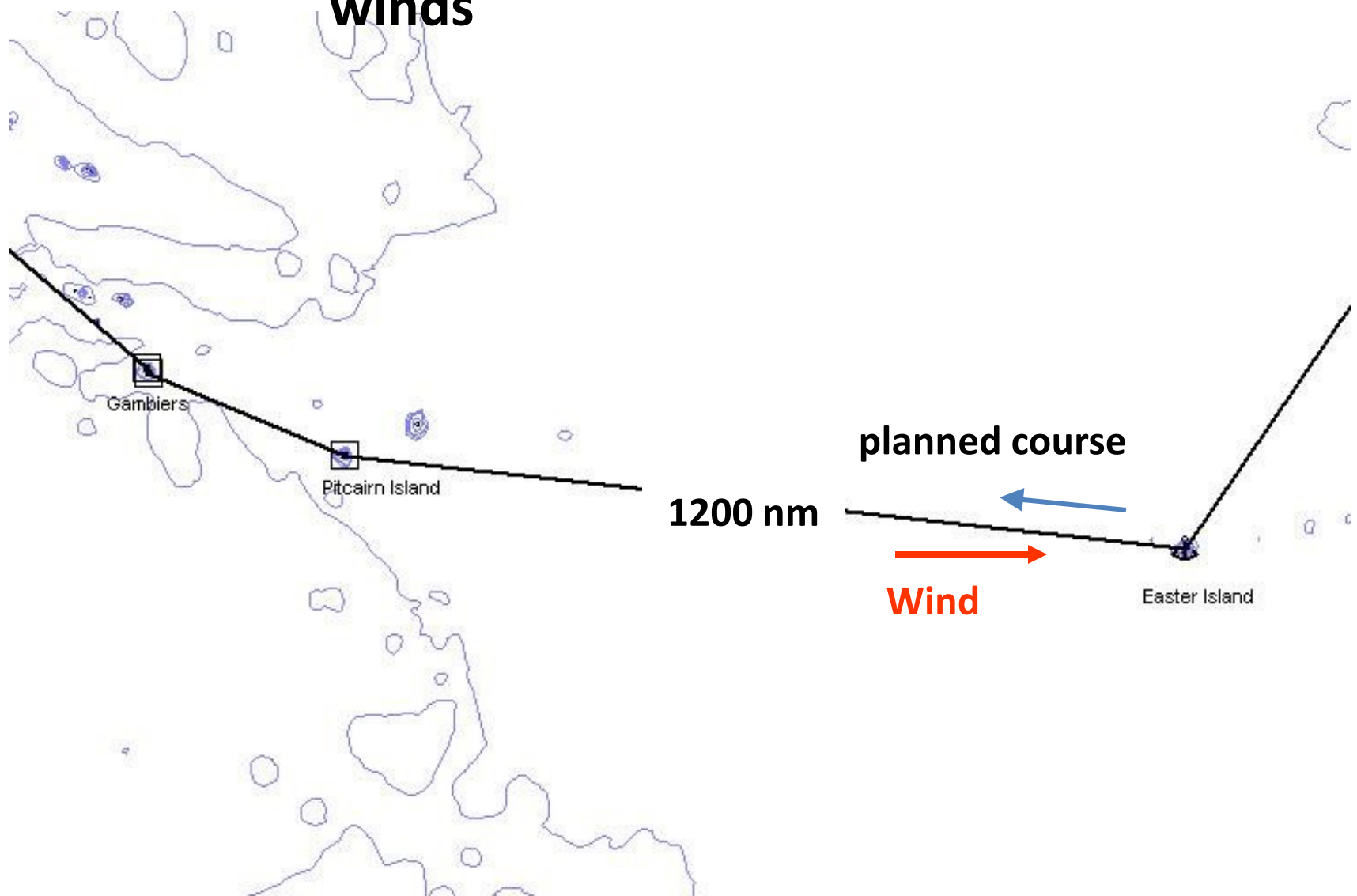
**Hotu Iti anchorage
Easter Island
Moai statues**




Hotu Iti Moai Easter Island



Weather forces us to leave Easter Island in unfavorable winds





**35 kts for 12 hrs
then 2 days of
motoring to
Pitcairn Island**



**Approaching
Bounty Bay
Pitcairn Isl
April 2**

Welcome to
PITCAIRN ISLAND



**Boat shed
Pitcairn Isl**

**Boat landing area
Pitcairn Island**





Bounty's Bower
anchor

Lunch with Tom and Betty Christian Pitcairn Island

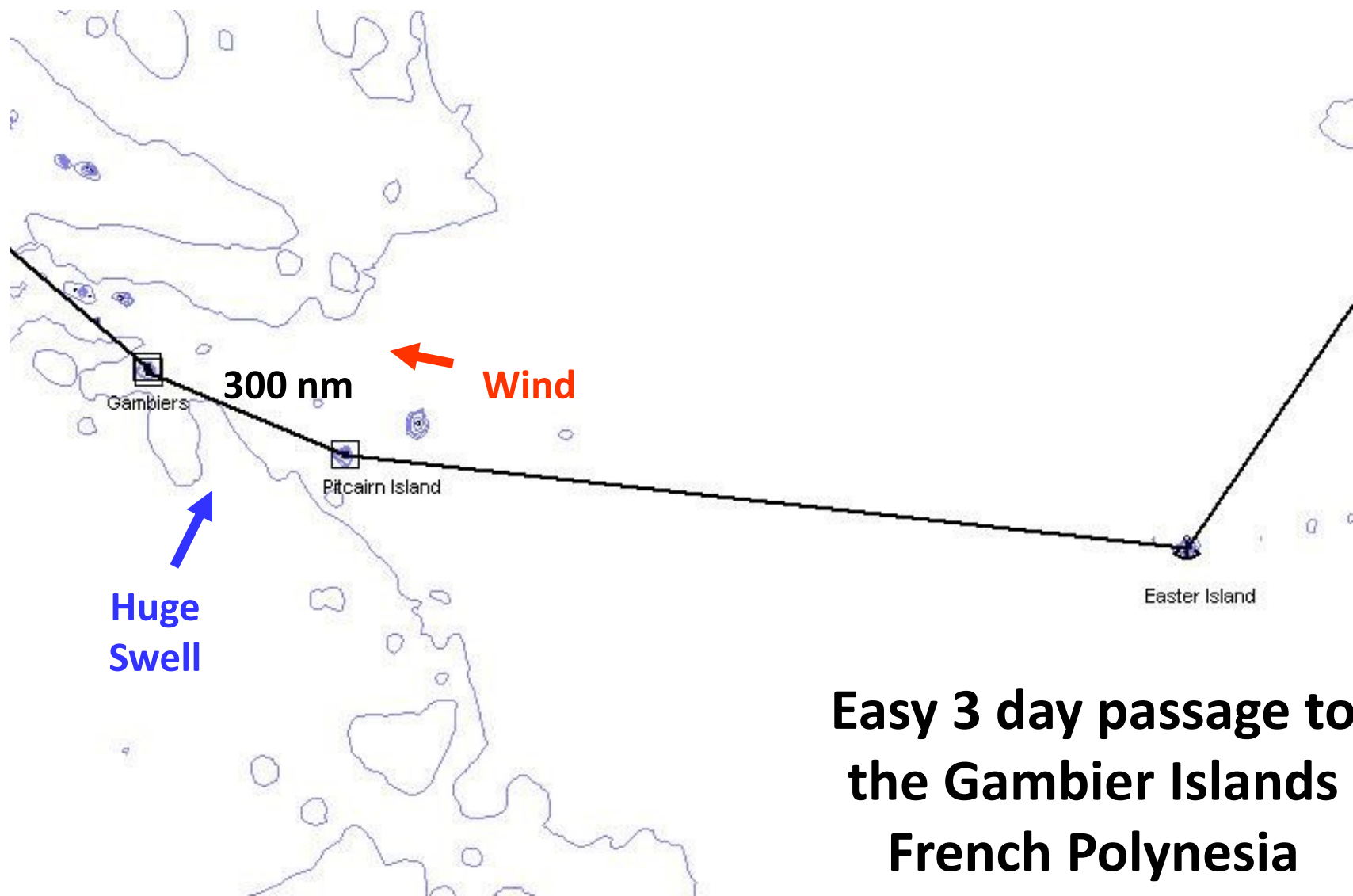




**Sightseeing
Pitcairn style
with island
doctor**

**Sherry and the
Pitcairn Island
anchorage**





**Easy 3 day passage to
the Gambier Islands
French Polynesia**

Wing-on-wing
staysail
centered





**Finally a calm anchorage
Iles Gambier, French Polynesia**



**Wifi, fresh
bread, and
“Pamplermousse”
Iles Gambier**

**Mangareva, Iles Gambier
anchorage from the hilltop**





**Pearl farm
Iles Gambier**

Poisson Cru & Canard feast, Isles Gambier



To the Marquesas
7 days, via Raroia



018

N Fakarava

S Fakarava

Tahanea



Makemo

Raroia (Kon Tiki)



Hao



Wind

225 nm

1½ days

448 nm

3½ days

**Gambiers to
Marquesas FP
start of Sherry's
Compendiums**



Gambiers

**Uninhabited
Tahanea Atoll
Tuamotus
French Polynesia**



**French
astronomers and
the total eclipse,
Tahanea**





**The total eclipse,
Tahanea**



**South Fakarava Atoll
anchorage**



**Sherry and the sharks of
South Fakarava**

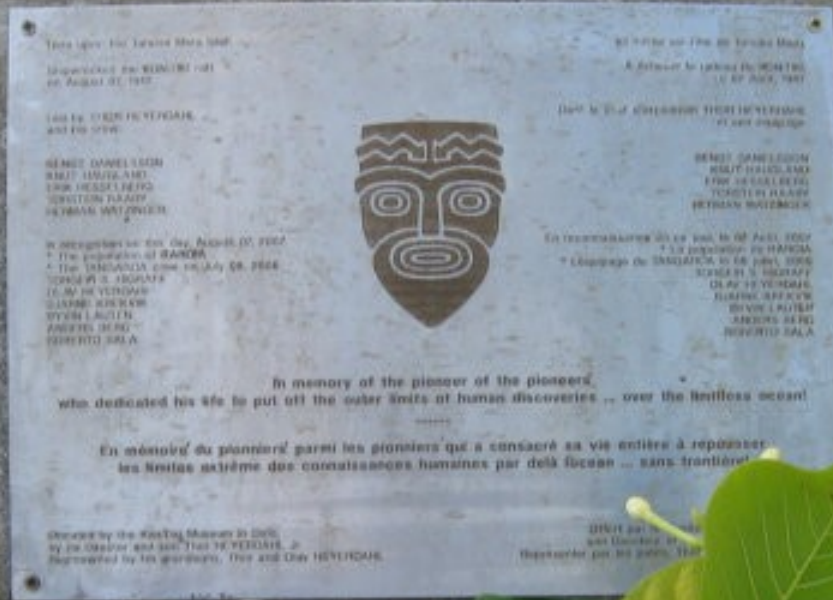


**Dinghy ride with the kids of
Makemo Atoll FP**

**The three
brothers in
Makemo**



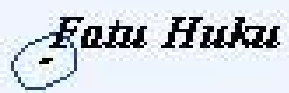
The Kon Tiki landing plaque, Raroia Atoll FP



ILES MARQUISES



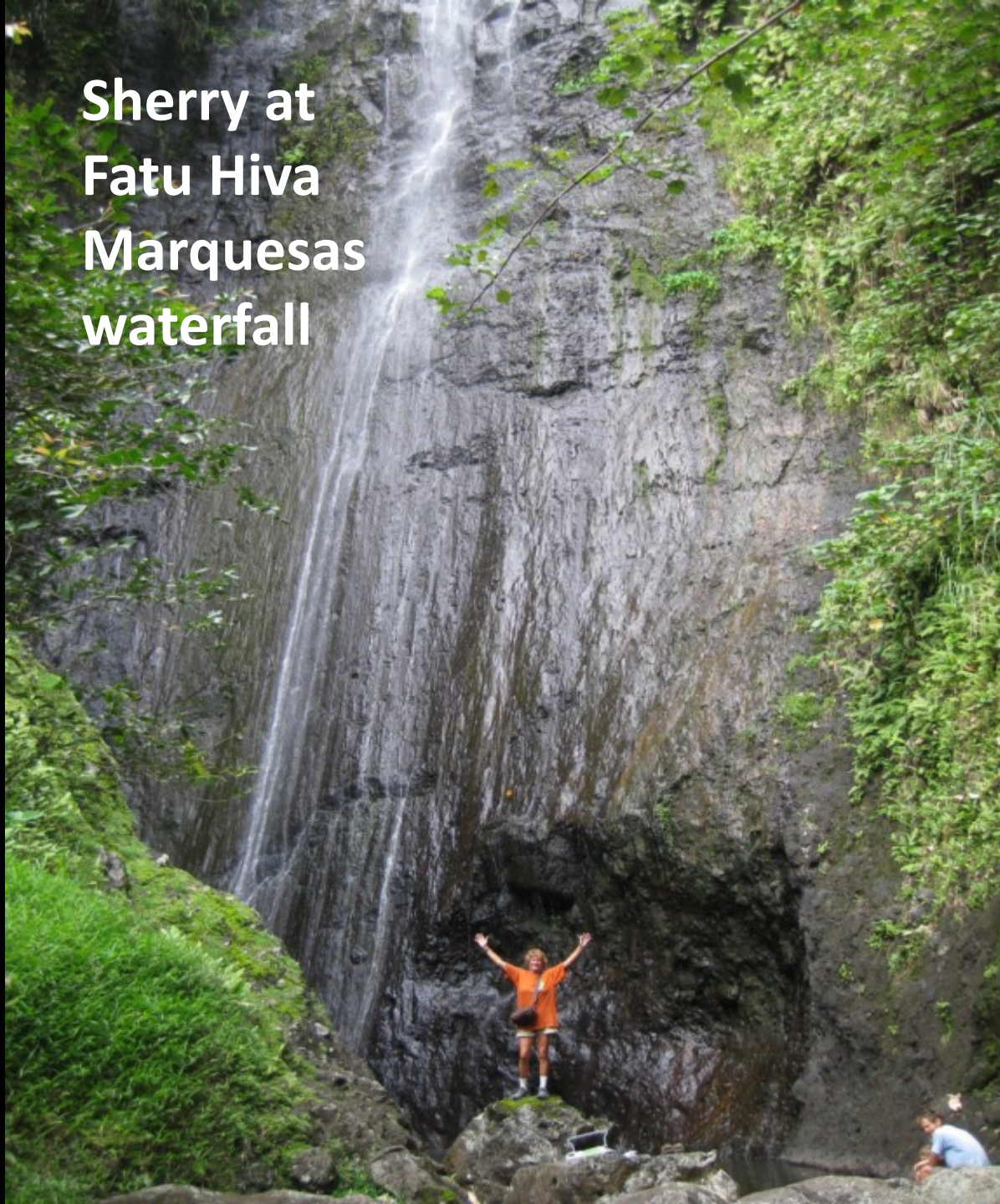
To Hawaii



From Tuamotus



**Sherry at
Fatu Hiva
Marquesas
waterfall**





**Tahuata Island
anchorage
Marquesas no
Puddle Jumpers**



**Nuka Hiva
FP kids**

Goat Hunting, Nuka Hiva Marquesas

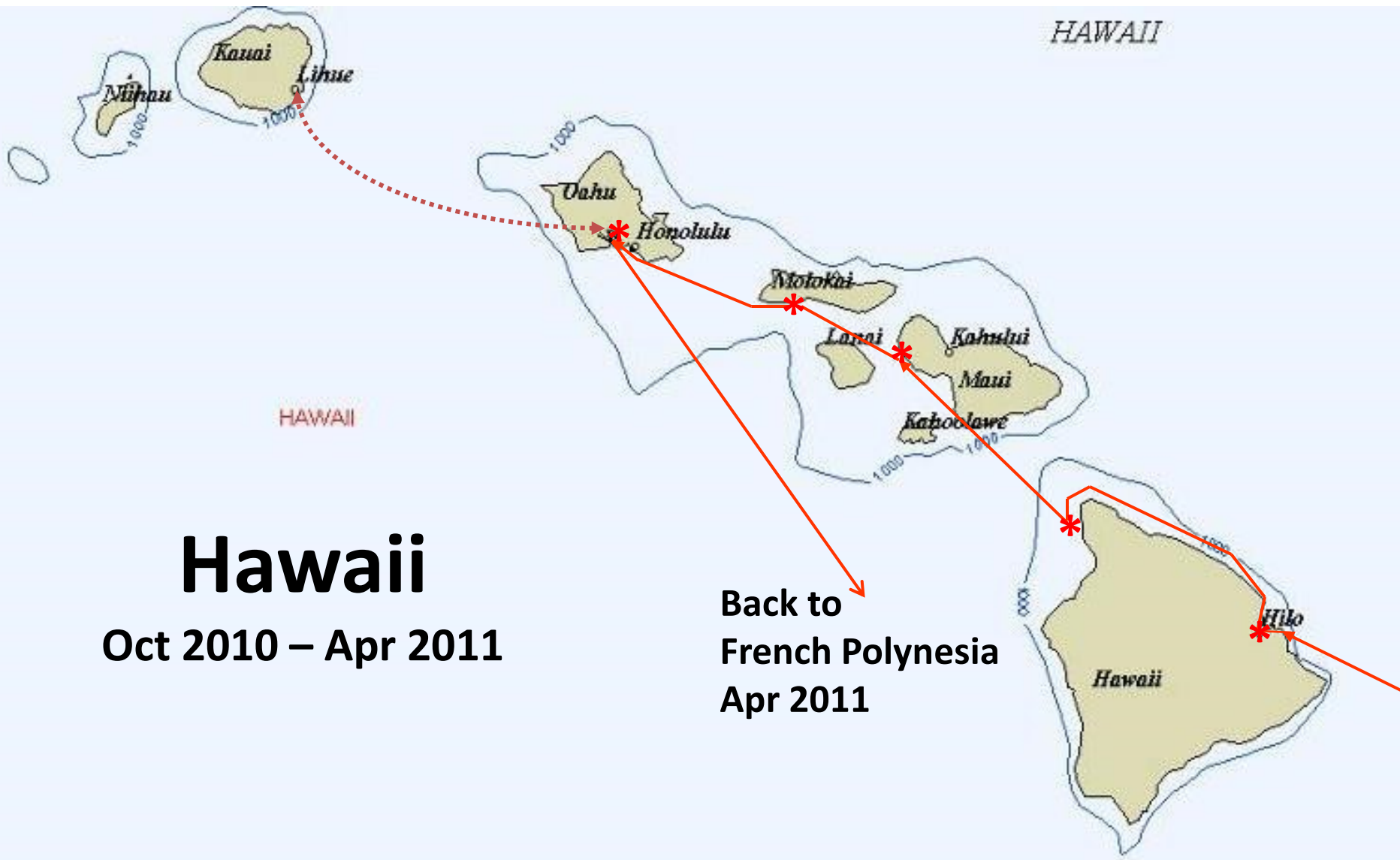


Marquesan Hospitality



**Anaho Bay, N Nuka Hiva just
before departure for Hawaii,
2000 nm to go**





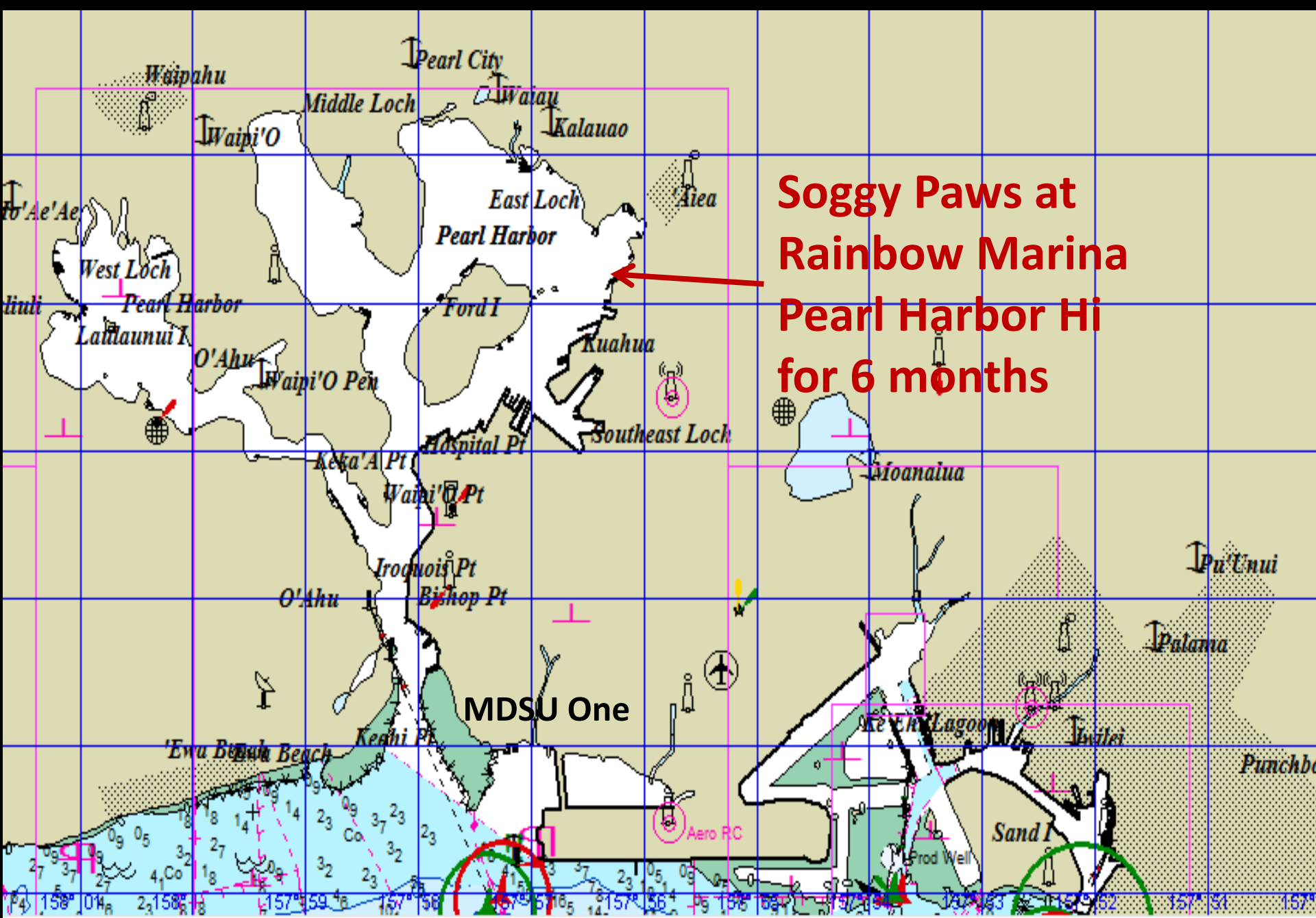
Hawaii

Oct 2010 – Apr 2011

Back to
French Polynesia
Apr 2011



**Crossing the Molokai
Channel Hawaii**



**Soggy Paws at
Rainbow Marina
Pearl Harbor HI
for 6 months**

MDSU One

Aero RC

Prod Well

Sightseeing Oahu



Sightseeing Kauai

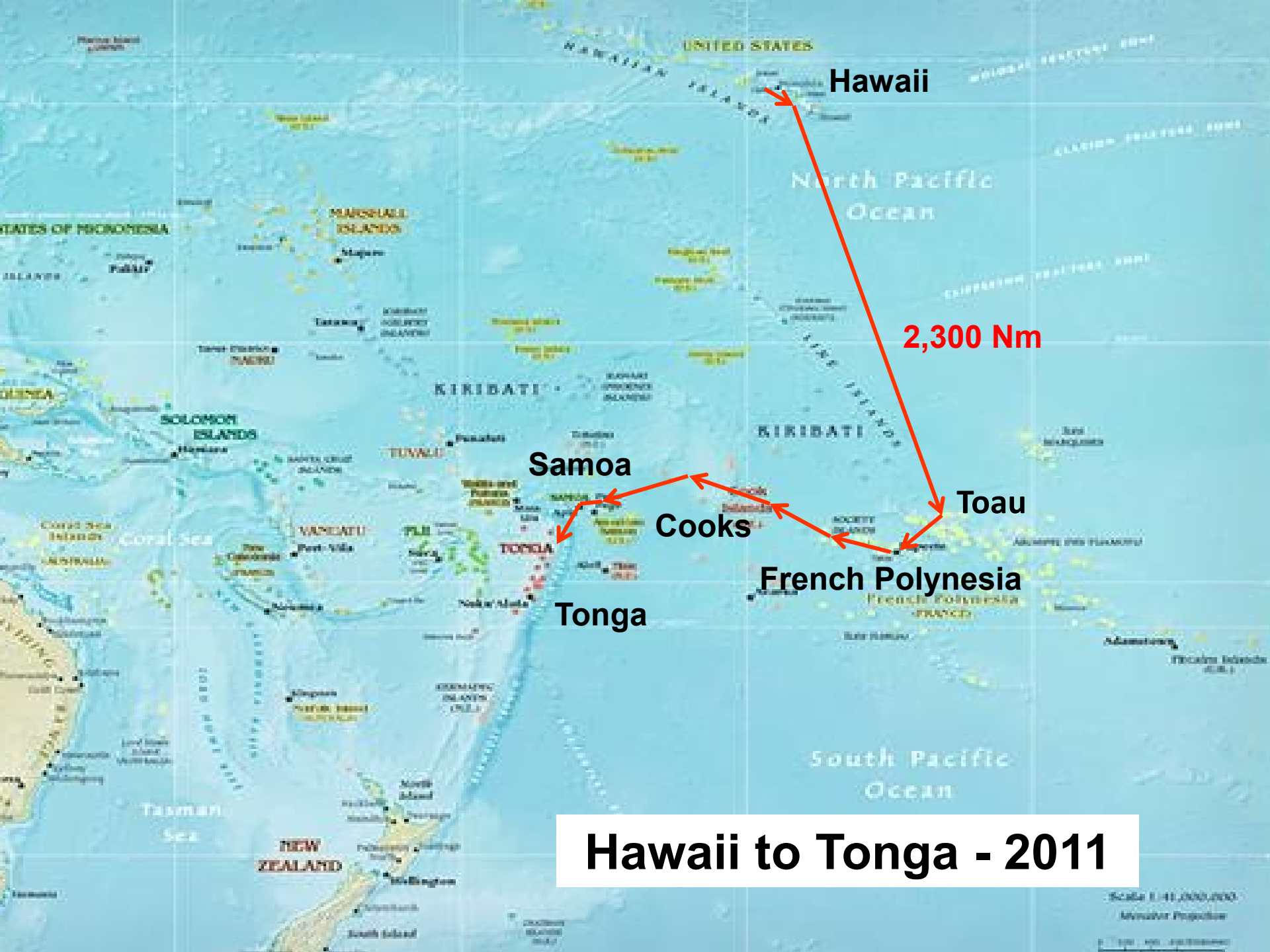




Pacific
Puddle
Jump
Latitude38.com



Pacific
Puddle
Jump
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Hawaii

2,300 Nm

Samoa

Cooks

Toau

French Polynesia

Tonga

Hawaii to Tonga - 2011

Jam session Anse Amyot, Toau



Sherry at Yellow Dog Canyon, Toau



Hunting Coconut Crabs Toau



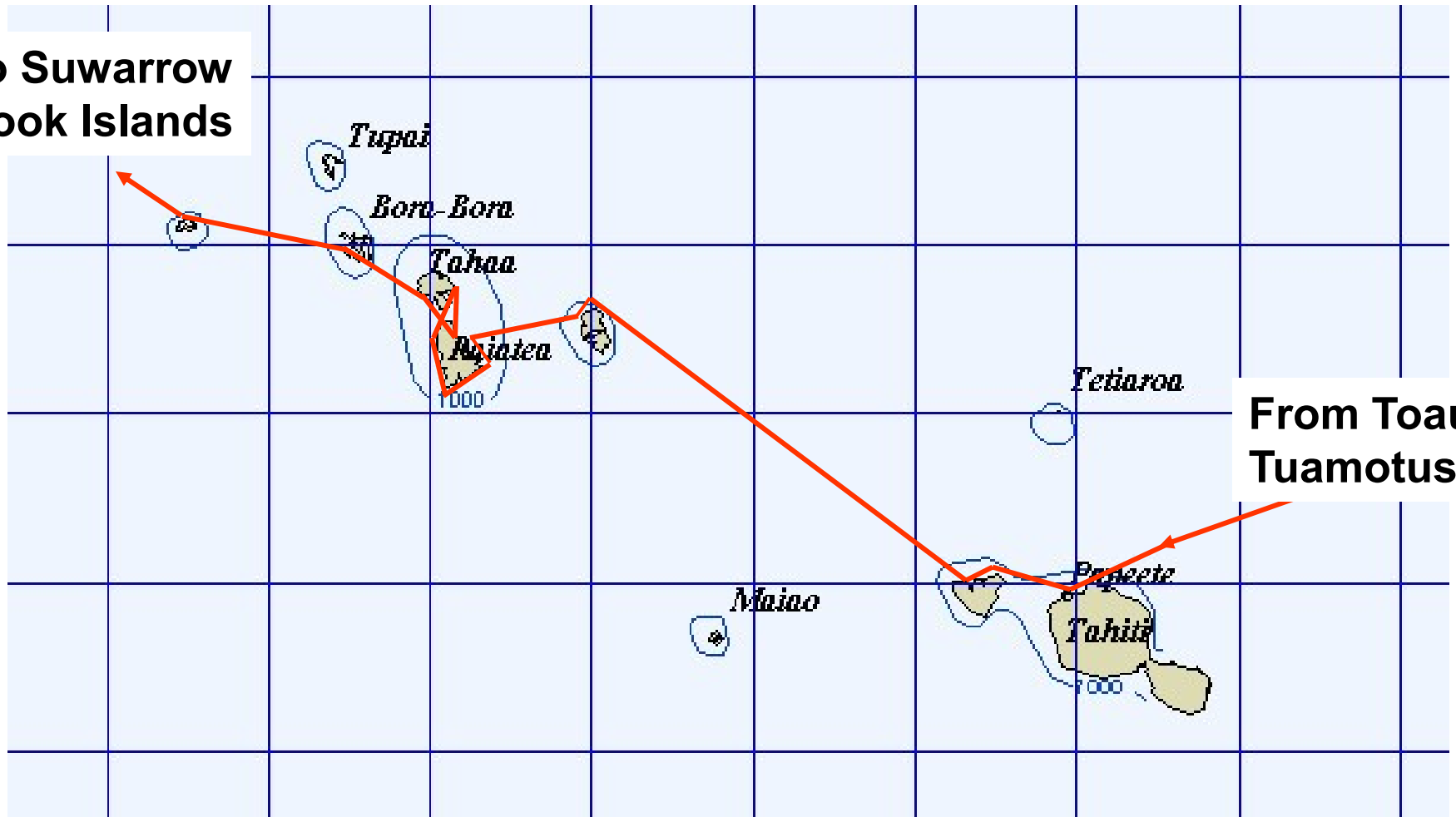


**Snorkeling with Mantas
Toau**

Cruise through French Society Islands 2011

Tahiti, Moorea, Huahine, Raiatea, Tahaa, Bora Bora

To Suvarrow
Cook Islands



From Toau,
Tuamotus

Tahiti Yacht Club French Polynesia



**Puddle Jumpers
Polynesian men's
dancing show
Moorea**



... and the girls at Moorea





**Hiking in Moorea, Raiatea,
and Tahaa with Graham &
Averil Dream Away**



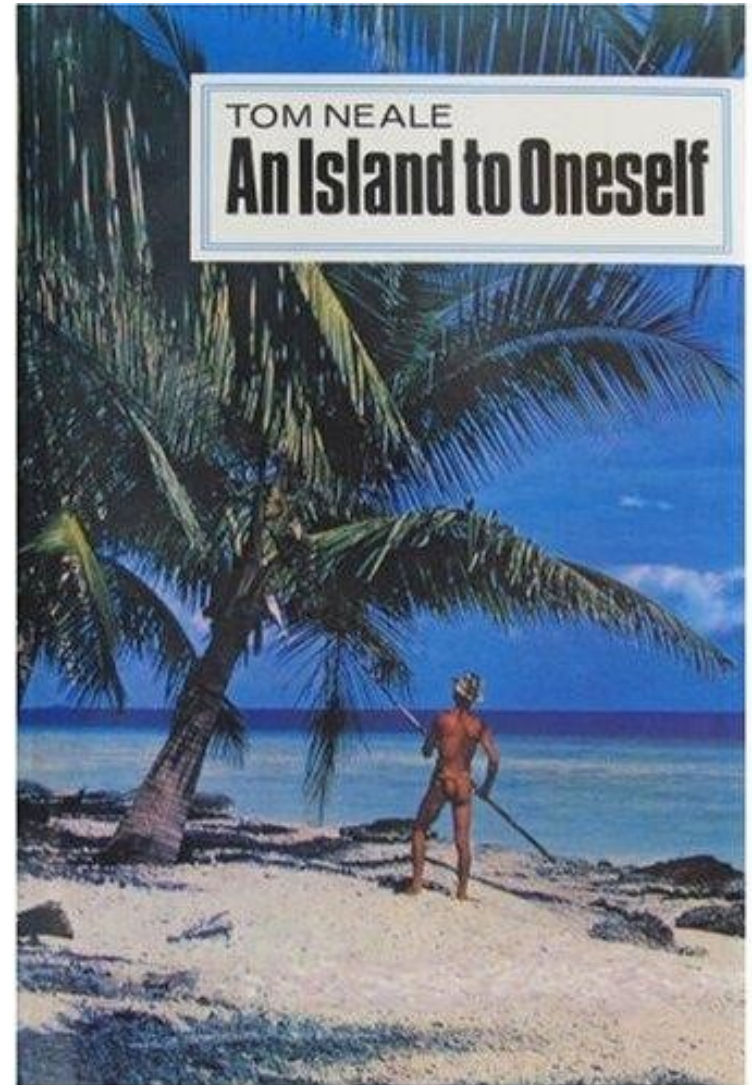
**We climbed to
the top in
Bora Bora lagoon**



Lemon Shark dive, Bora Bora

Suwarrow Atoll Cook Islands

- **Belongs to Cook Islands**
- **Made famous by Tom Neale's Book**
- **Now a Cook Islands National Park**
- **Several day's sail from anywhere**
- **Only ~100 yachts a year visit**





James and Apiti, your hospitality is unsurpassed
GOD BLESS YOU BOTH AND YOUR
BEAUTIFUL ATOLL
SUWARROW 28-07-2018
2
INSIANS
NATAWA and
Tofik
2018

**Paperwork w/
rangers even at
remote Suwarrow
Atoll Cook Islands**

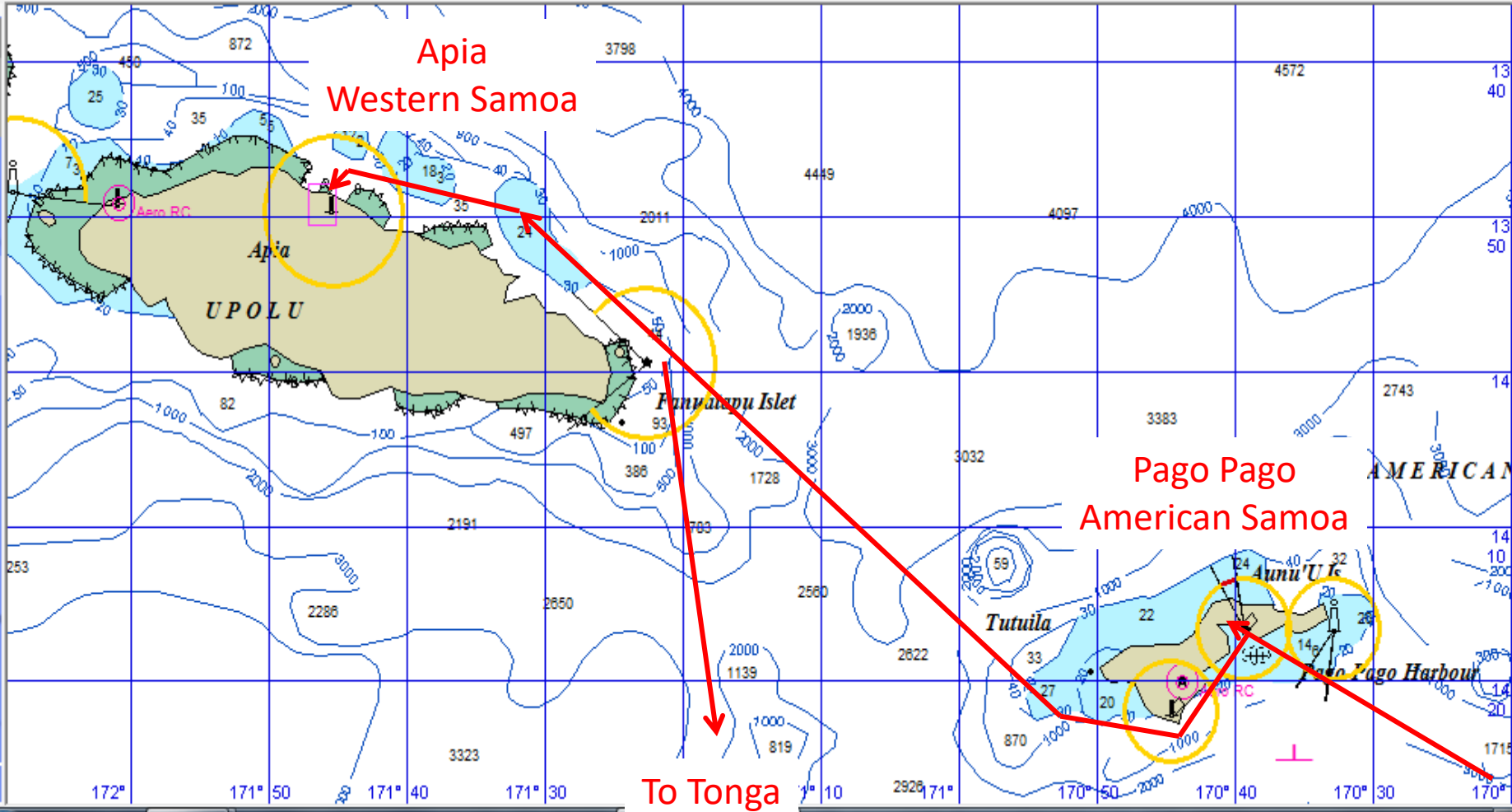
Dinner at
Suwarrow Atoll
Cooks





**Gorgeous sunsets
Suwarrow Atoll
Cooks**

American & Western Samoa 2011



Pago Pago Harbor Tsunami 2009



Pago Pago harbor entrance





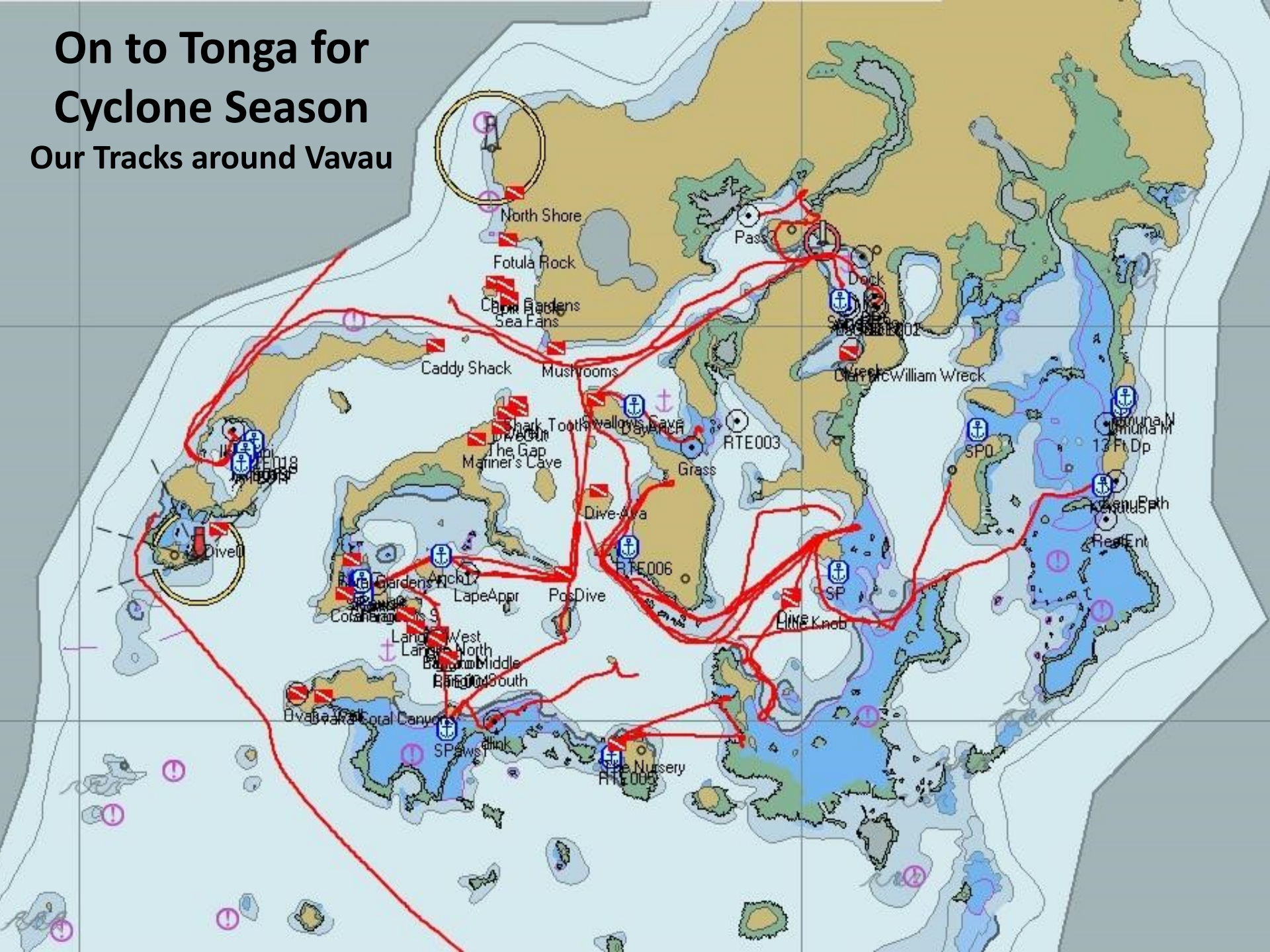
The Tuna Fleet In Port

Unique
Samoan open
air housing
style



On to Tonga for Cyclone Season

Our Tracks around Vavau





**Cyclone Cyril
surprises us with 65
knots at 6 AM!**



What happened when the 500 lb mooring anchor drags Tonga

**Luckily a very experienced
fiberglass craftsman cruiser
close by! Tonga**





After about a month, good as new! But still missing a bent swim platform & a few other issues. Tonga

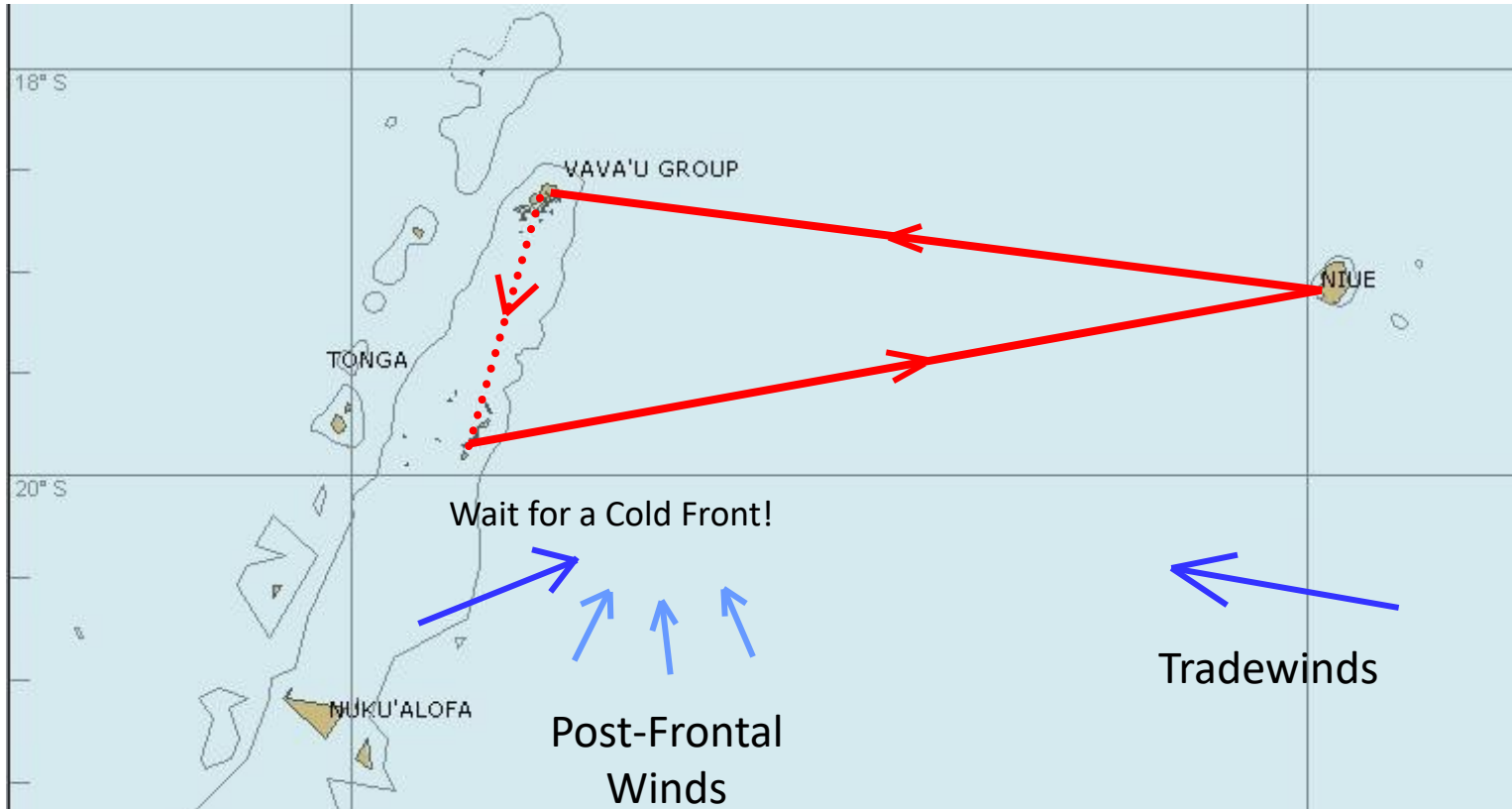
**Tonga diving is
all about
caves & swim
throughs**





**Beautiful beaches
in the Haapai
Group Tonga**

Tonga to Niue





**Niue: not easy
getting ashore at
the jetty.**

**Nuie's
spectacular
shoreline**



Nuie's lush caves





**Sea caves and
clear water**

**Sea snakes even
mating in the
caves**

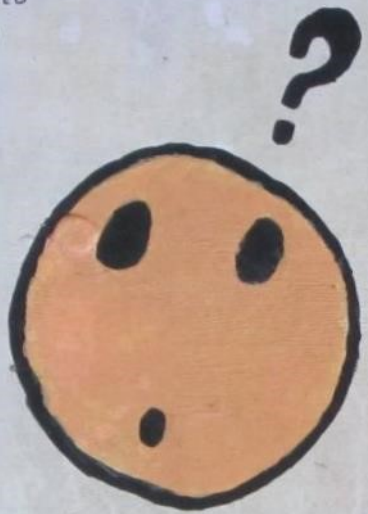


Very colorful
spotted Moray
in shallow water



Anti trash signs have produced
spectacular results

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BY
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GEF



HOW MUCH
YOU THROW
SHOWS

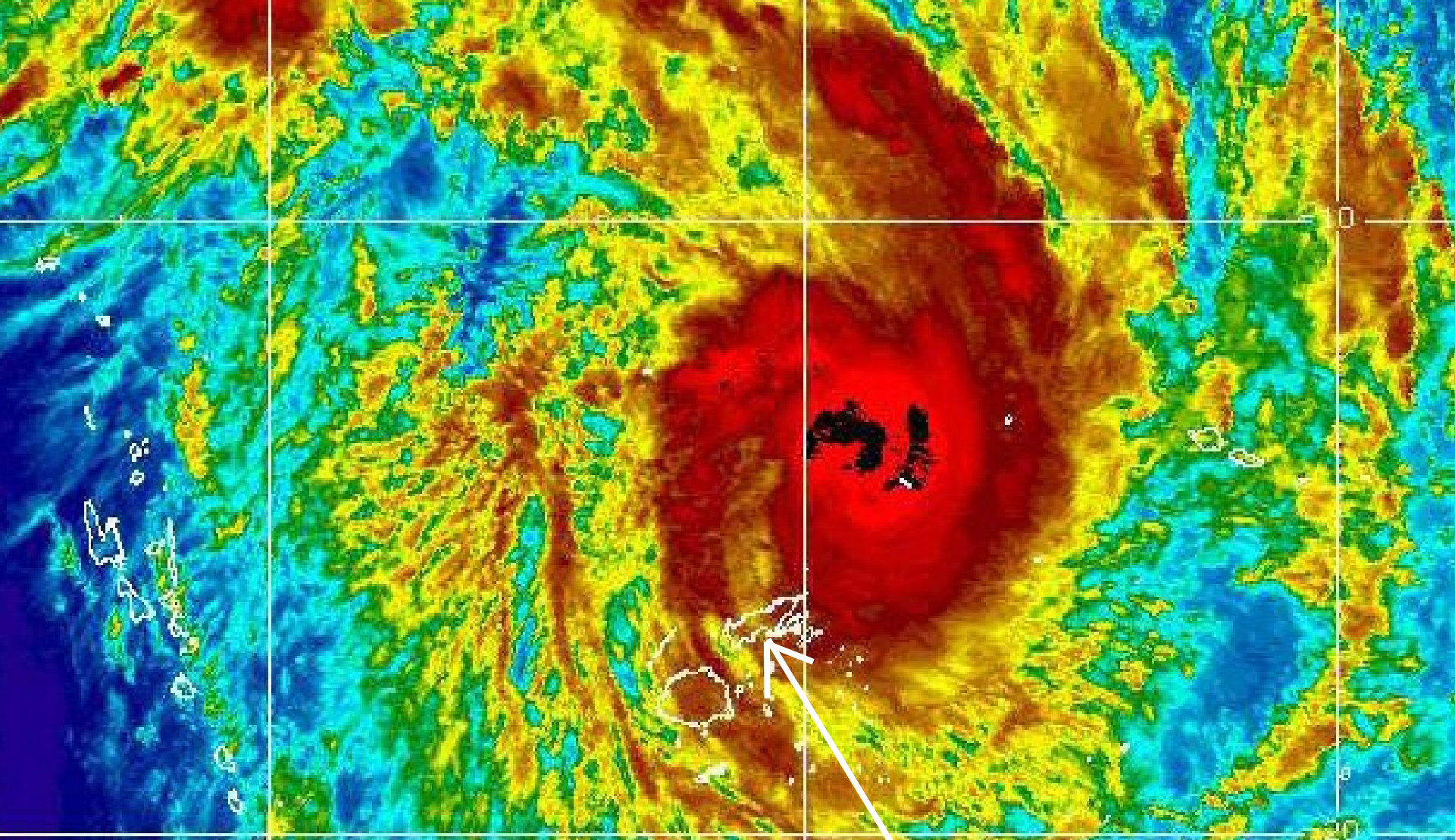
HOW MUCH YOU KNOW

MKE YOUTH

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Our year in Fiji



**Cat 4 Cyclone Evan
skirts N Fiji coast
Dec 2012**

Soggy Paws



SPaws

**The Copra Shed
Marina and Savu
Savu Harbor in Fiji.**

Diving Namena
reef only 15
nm from Savu
Savu



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Sherry and a Suva, Fiji
wood carver

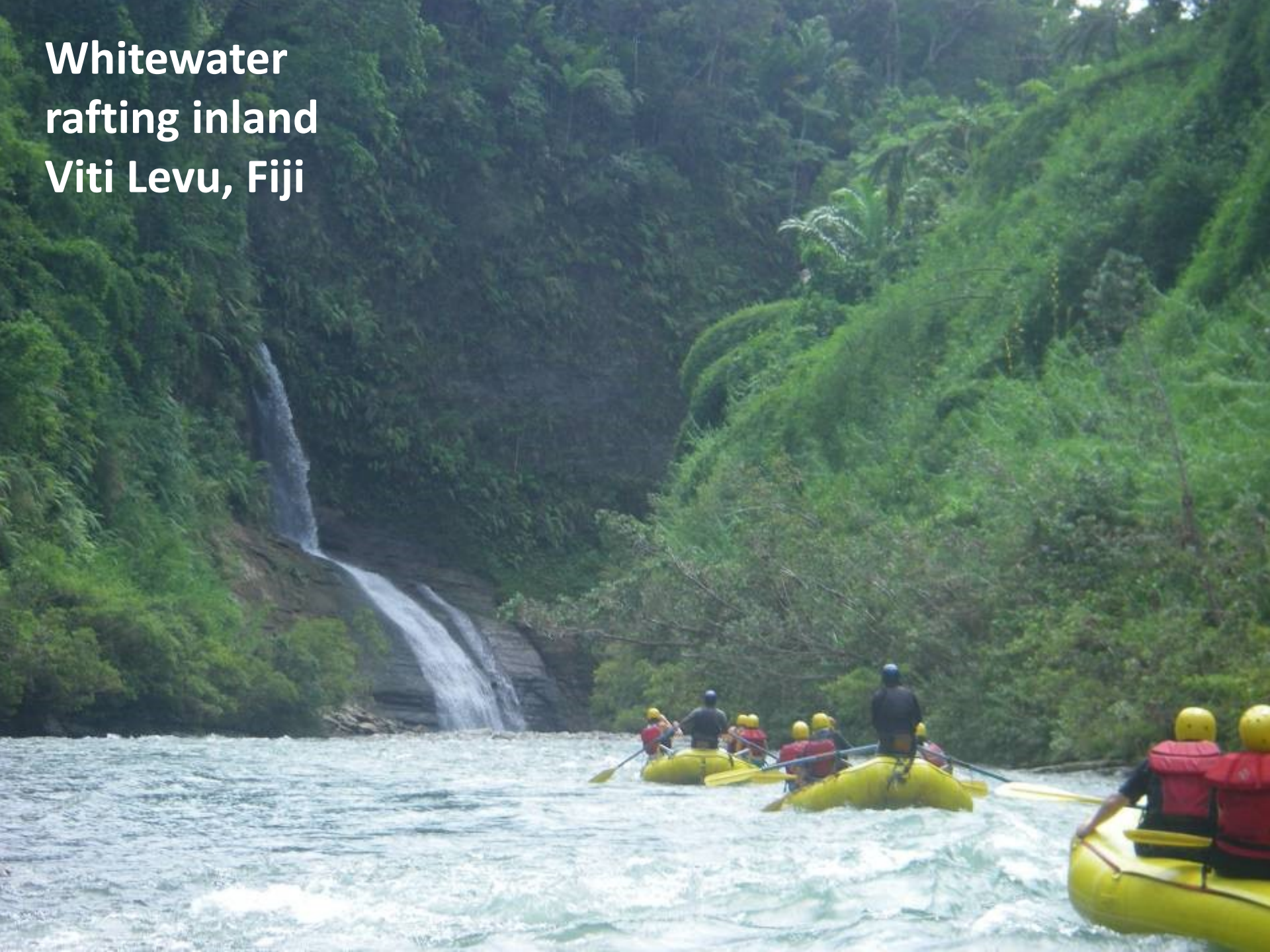
**Our local
hiking guide
'Wild Man'
Chris**



**Male Kava
drinking
ceremony**



**Whitewater
rafting inland
Viti Levu, Fiji**



**Rafting on
Viti Levu
with Sherry
driving**

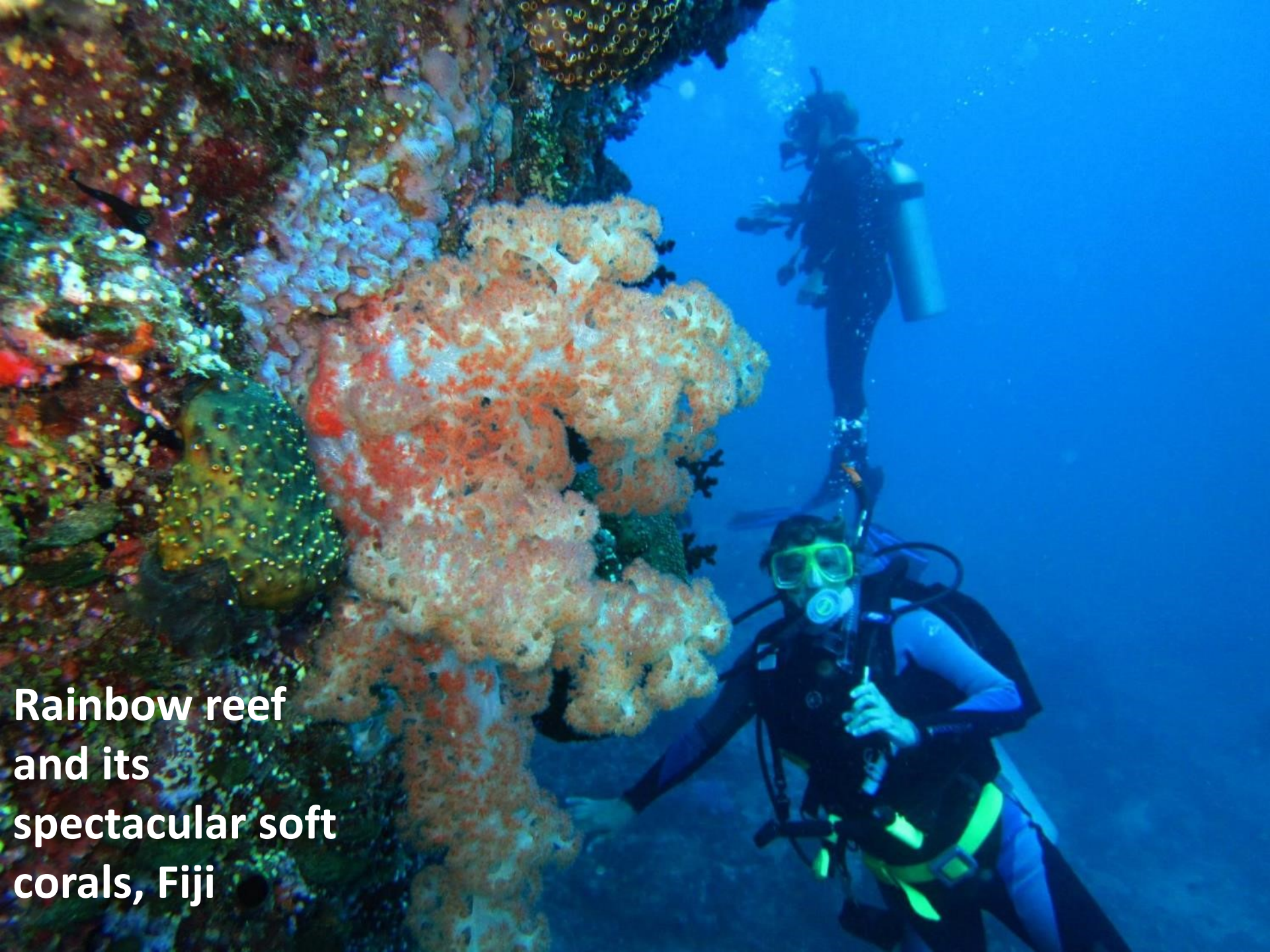


**Diving in the rain on
the Tui Tai liveaboard
off-season
half price special**



**Ready to go diving
on the world
famous Rainbow
Reef, Fiji**



An underwater photograph showing two divers in a vibrant reef environment. The foreground diver is wearing a black wetsuit with a bright yellow stripe, a yellow mask, and a regulator in their mouth. They are positioned next to a large, branching soft coral that is a mix of orange and white. In the background, another diver is visible, and the water is a clear, deep blue. The reef is covered in various colorful corals and marine life.

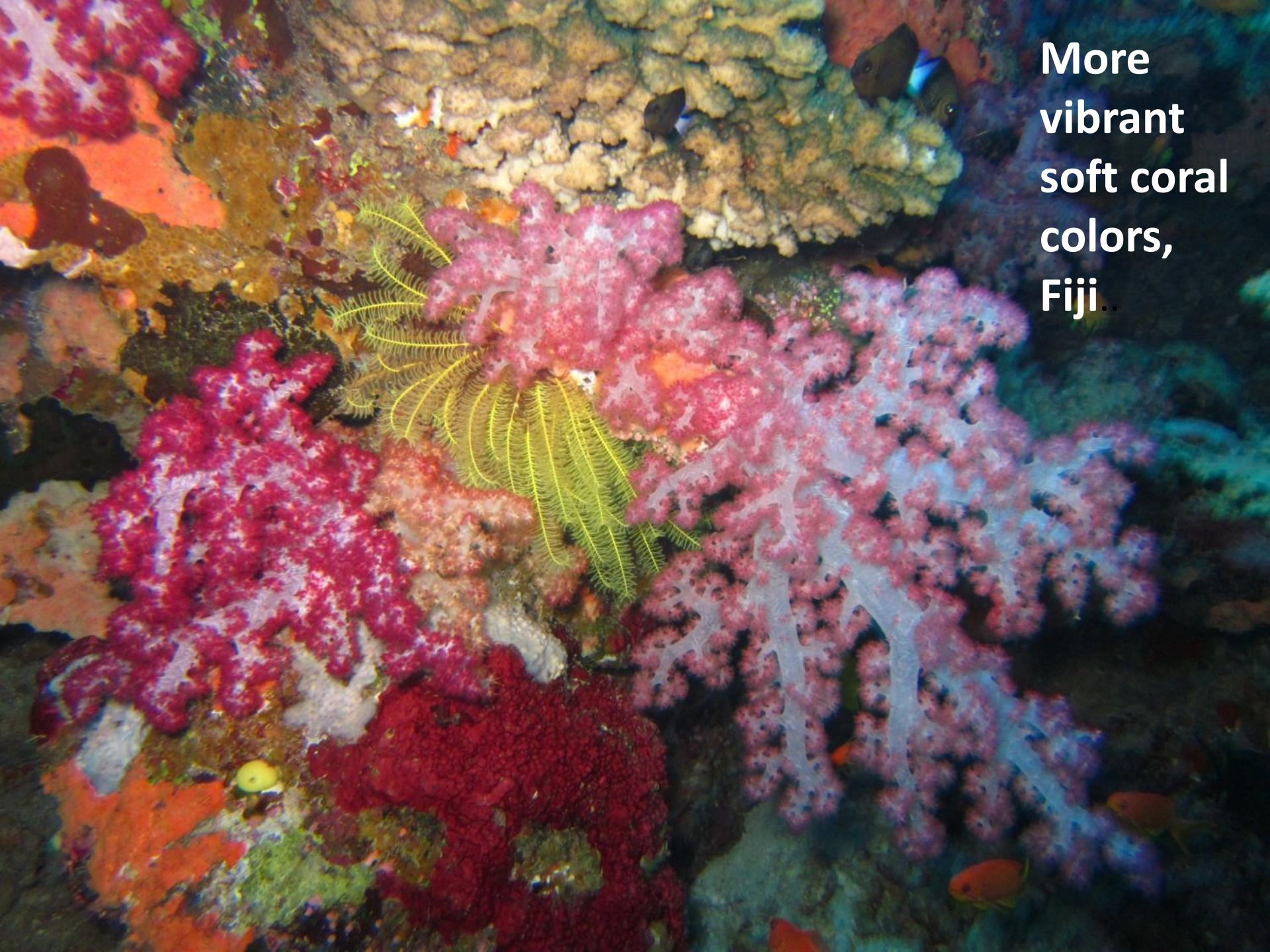
**Rainbow reef
and its
spectacular soft
corals, Fiji**



**Fiji giant
clam**

Rainbow
Reef soft
corals, Fiji





**More
vibrant
soft coral
colors,
Fiji.**

Hiking Taveuni Island waterfalls, Fiji



**A quiet sunset
somewhere in
Fiji**





**All provisioned up headed for the
Lau- “Follow Soggy Paws cause
Sherry knows where to go!”**



**The Bay of Islands
Vanua Balavu, Fiji**



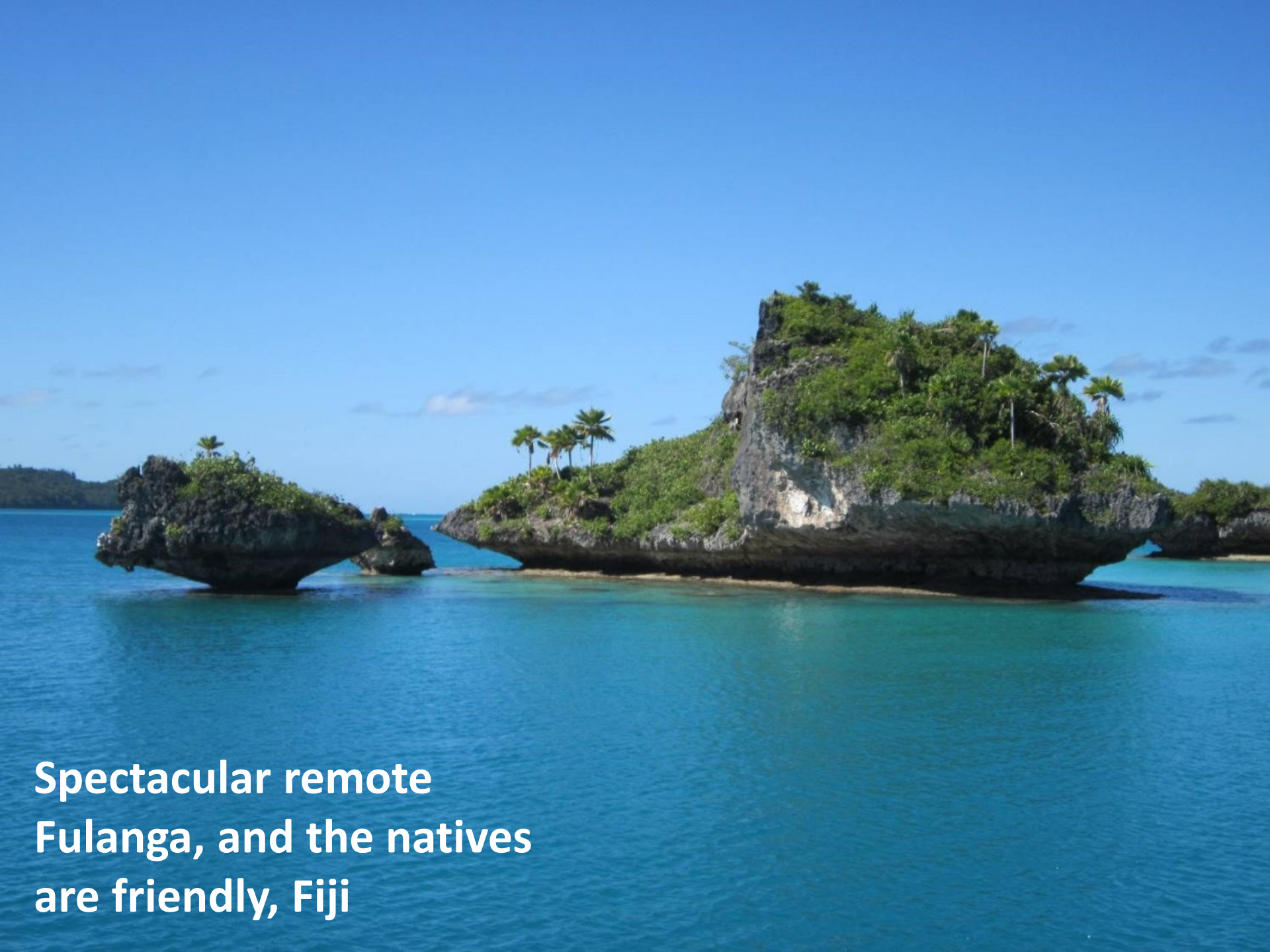
**Vanua Balavu, Bay of Islands,
from the top of the ridge, Fiji**

The girls going shopping in the big city on Vanua Belavu, Fiji





The 'Supermarket' in the only big city on Vanua Belavu, Fiji



**Spectacular remote
Fulanga, and the natives
are friendly, Fiji**

**The path to the main
village where our new
friends Sera and Sikeli
live, Fiji**



Kennedy of SV Far Star
talking with a local
Falangan on the beach






**Our island hosts
Sera, Sikeli and
daughter, Fiji**

Lunch after church
with Sikeli, Sera and
family, Fiji

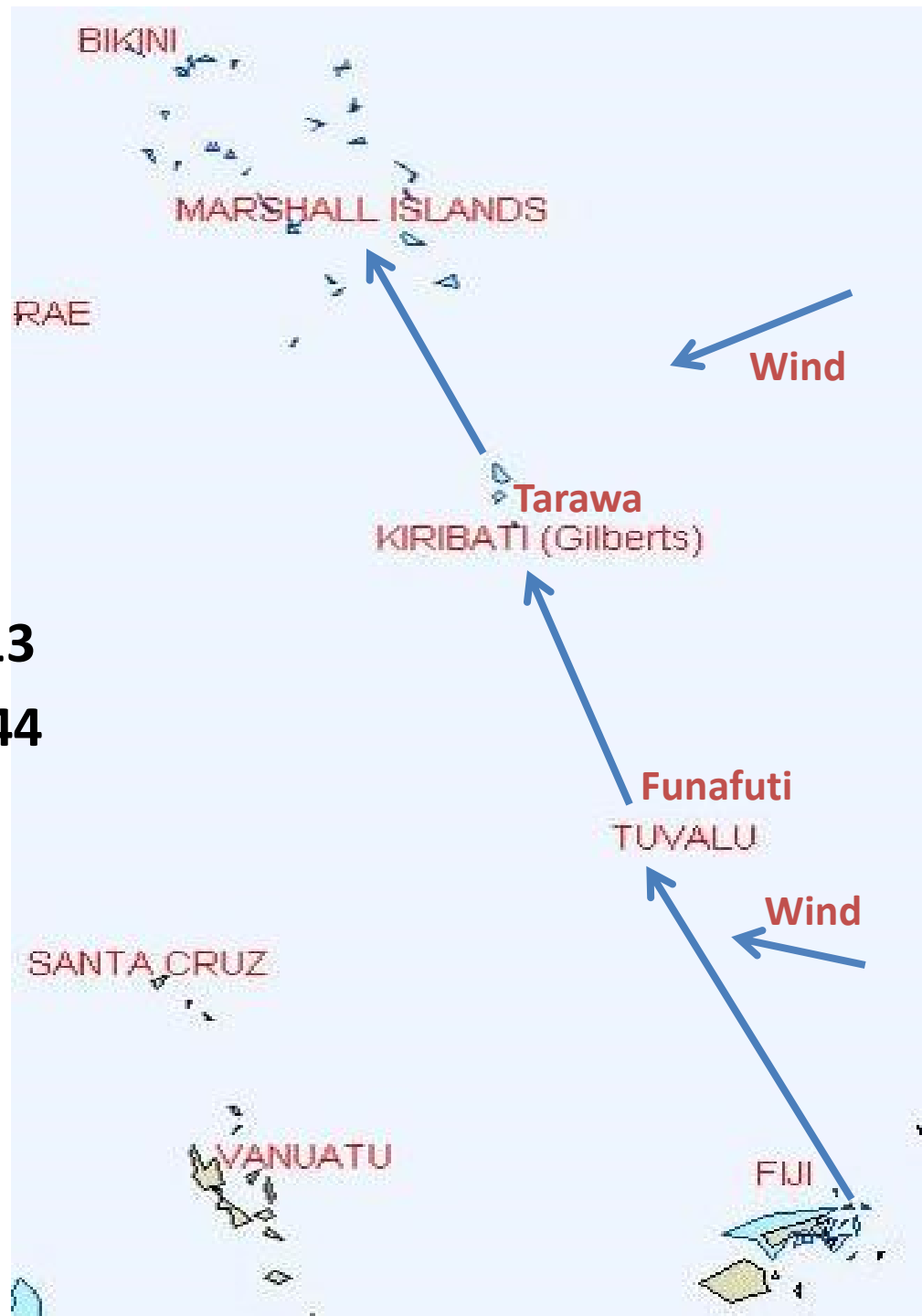




**Jerry of SV Challenger
receiving medical
evaluation of suspected
DCS before 200 nm helo
evacuation to chamber
in Suva, Fiji**

Fiji to the Marshall Islands

- 1,700 Miles, 20 Days
- 2 Stops
 - Funafuti, Tuvalu (4 days)
 - Tarawa, Kiribati (3 days)
- Arrived Majuro on May 10, 2013
- Dave's Dad arrived May 10, 1944
- Saw one other cruising boat





**Funafuti, Tuvalu
shoreline..**

Funafuti, Tuvalu – a very trashy place, especially compared to Nuie.

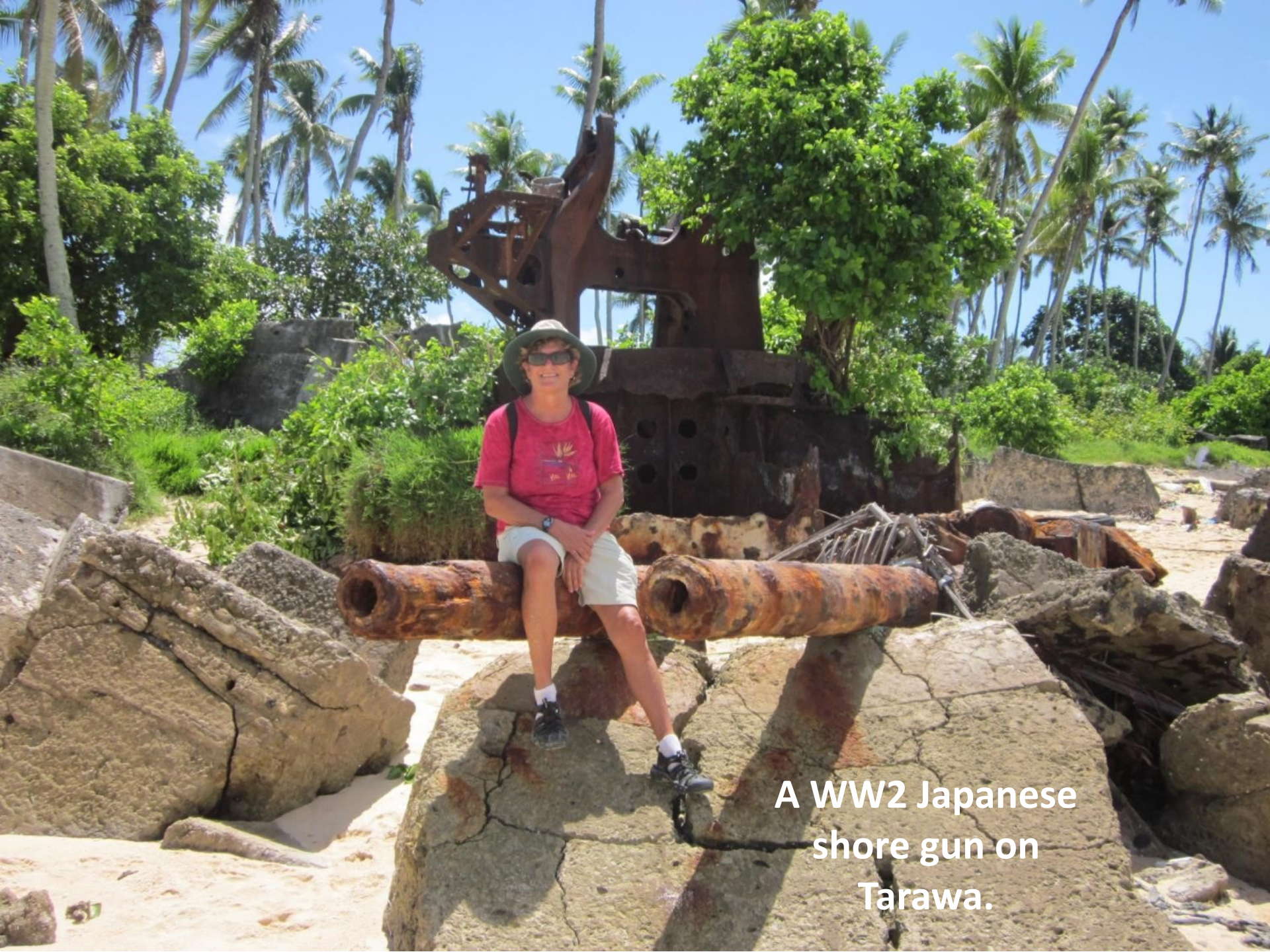




**Funafuti waterfront
property, Tuvalu**

**Tarawa, Kiribati-
Dave inspecting WW2
remains of a tracked
landing craft in the
shallows**

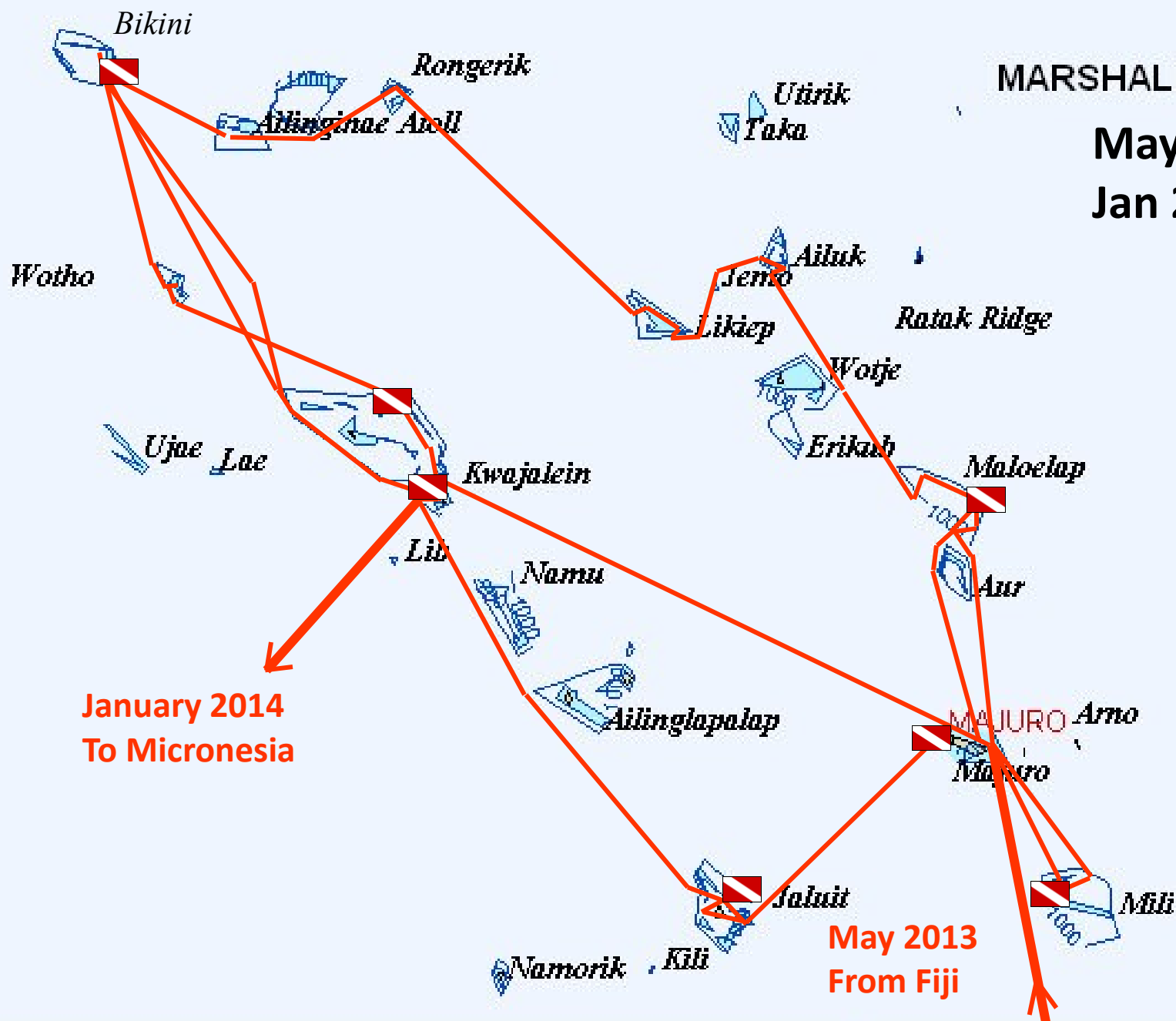




A WW2 Japanese
shore gun on
Tarawa.

MARSHALL ISLANDS

May 2013-
Jan 2014



January 2014
To Micronesia

May 2013
From Fiji

Majuro Atoll Marshall Islands

“Parking Lot”

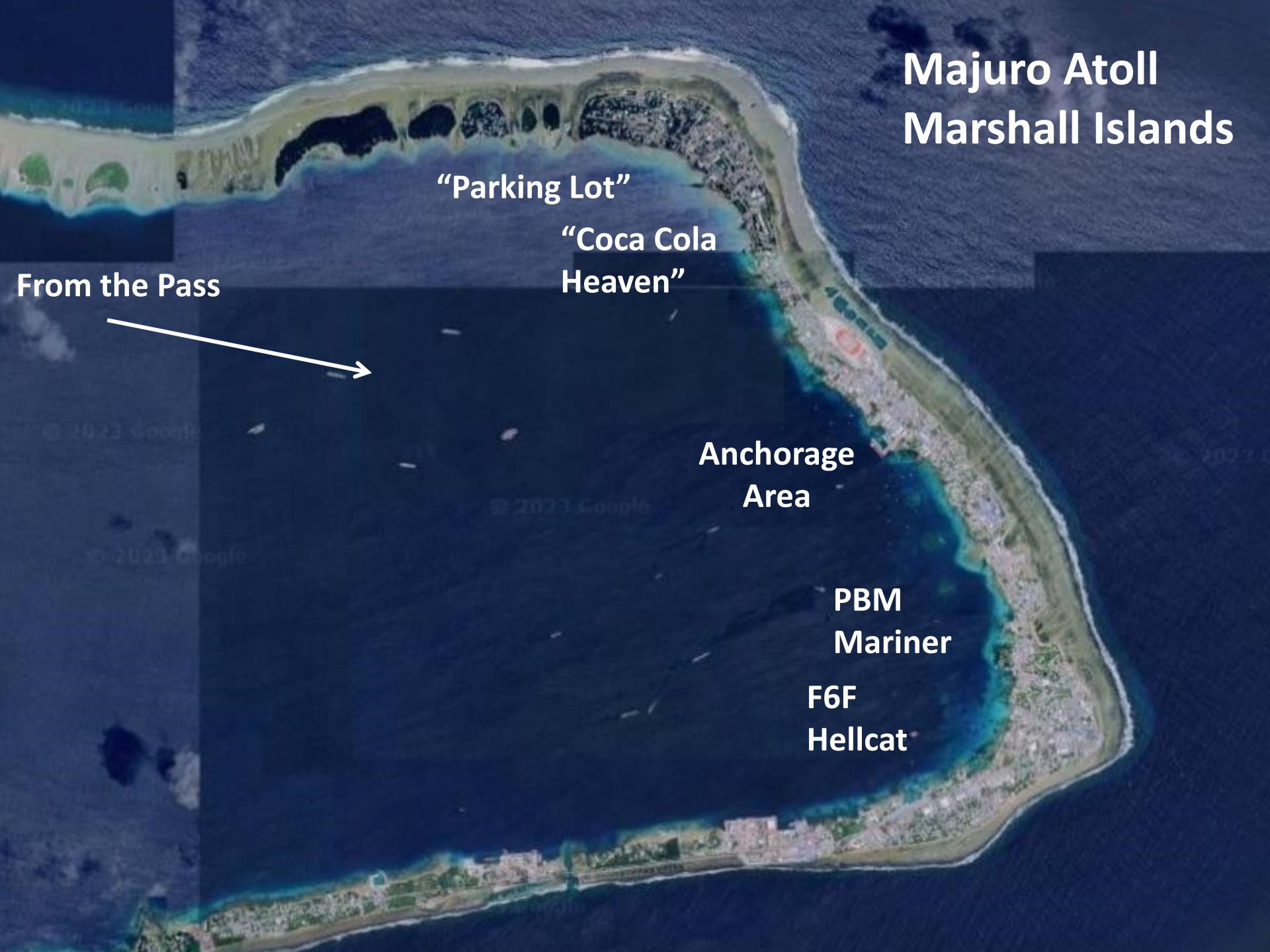
“Coca Cola
Heaven”

Anchorage
Area

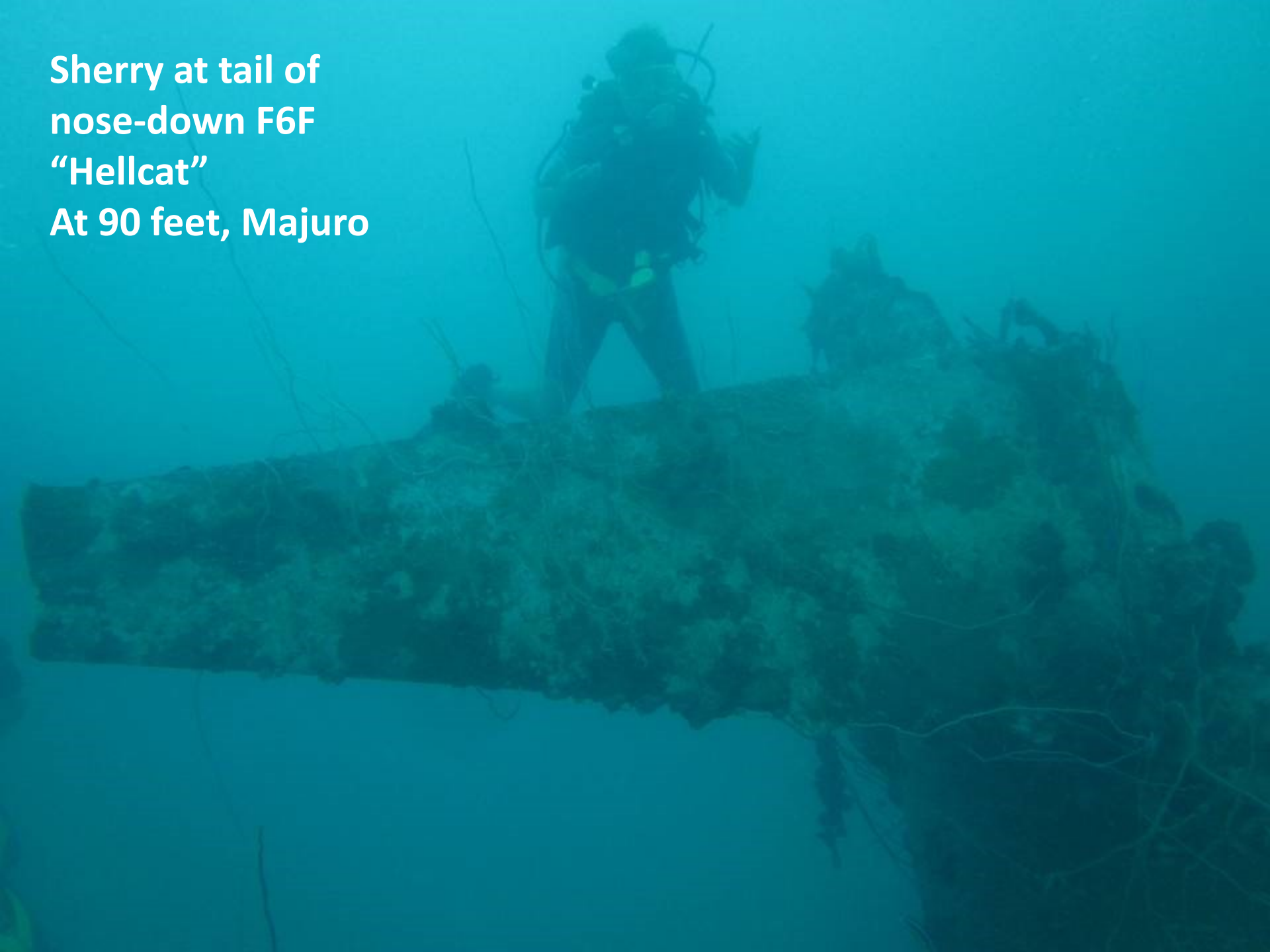
PBM
Mariner

F6F
Hellcat

From the Pass



**Sherry at tail of
nose-down F6F
“Hellcat”
At 90 feet, Majuro**



The “Parking Lot”

Lots of 1940s/WWII
vehicles at 60', Majuro



**“Coca Cola Heaven”
hundreds of 1944-45
Coke bottles, Majuro**



Kwajalein Atoll US Army Base

Housing

Japanese shipwrecks

Docks

Downtown

Radars

SPaws

Marina

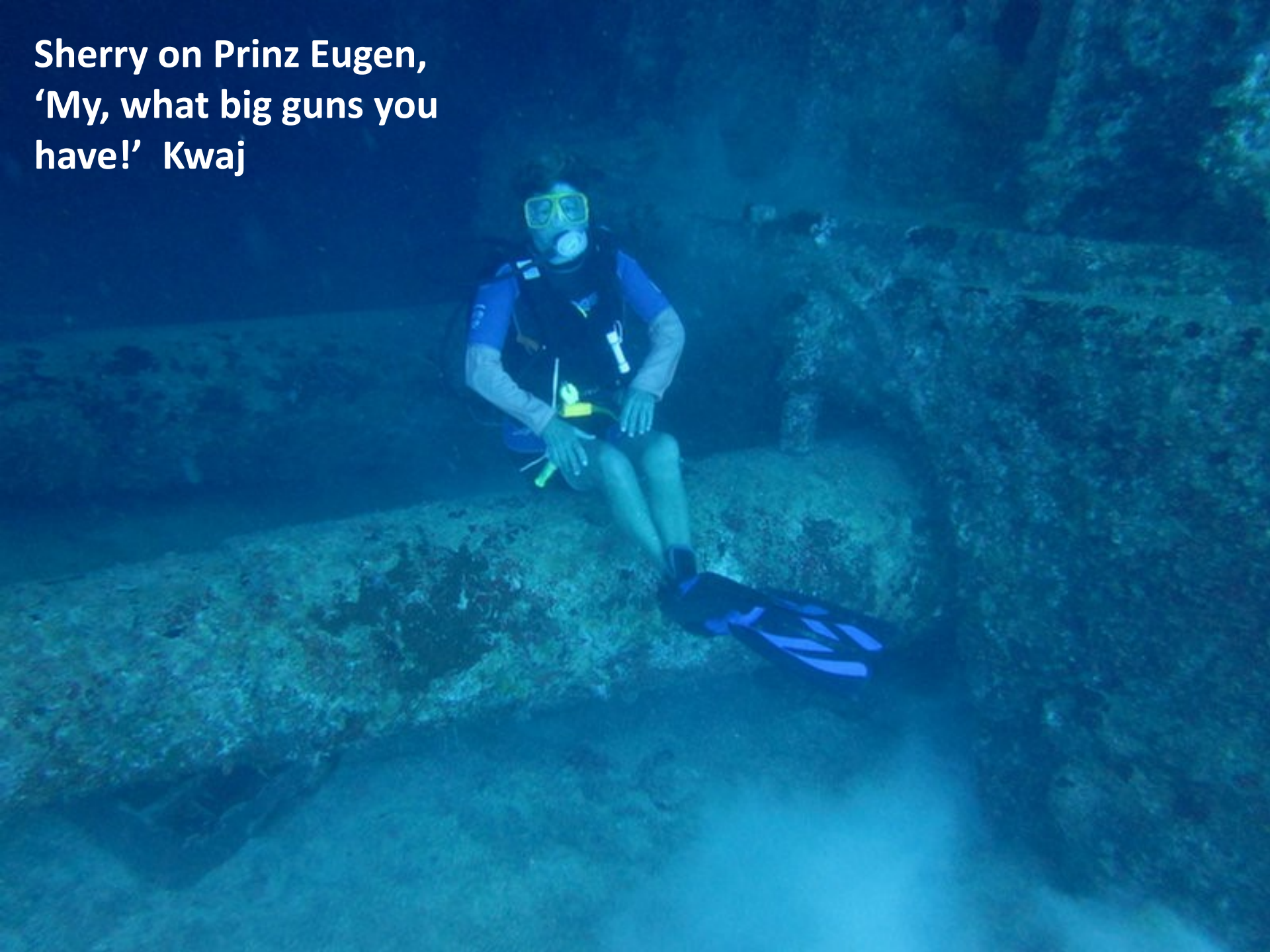


Kwajalein

**Ships in Kwajalein Atoll,
Asakazi Maru
Sunk 3 Dec 43**



**Sherry on Prinz Eugen,
'My, what big guns you
have!' Kwaj**



**Diving the unique WW2
Airplane Graveyard at
100', dozens of dumped
US WW2 planes Kwaj**





**Many Lion
Fish, Kwaj**

Bikini Atoll dive
resort, Marshalls
(now defunct),
Dave there with
USN 1989



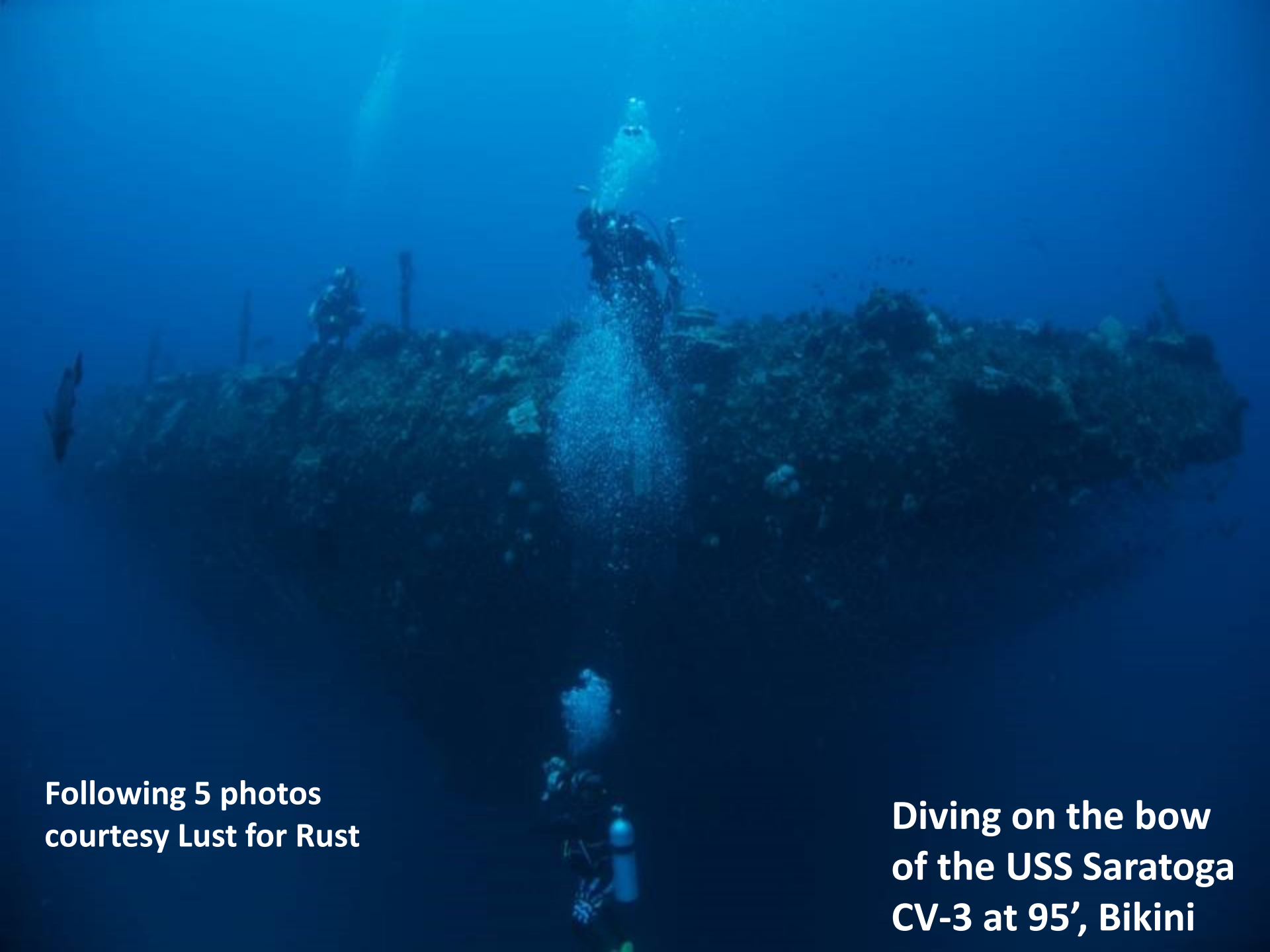
**Baker underwater
nuclear test July
1946, Bikini**



Ship



**Exploring old nuclear
test bunkers, Bikini**



**Following 5 photos
courtesy Lust for Rust**

**Diving on the bow
of the USS Saratoga
CV-3 at 95', Bikini**

**USS Saratoga bridge
conning station at 65'
Bikini Atoll**

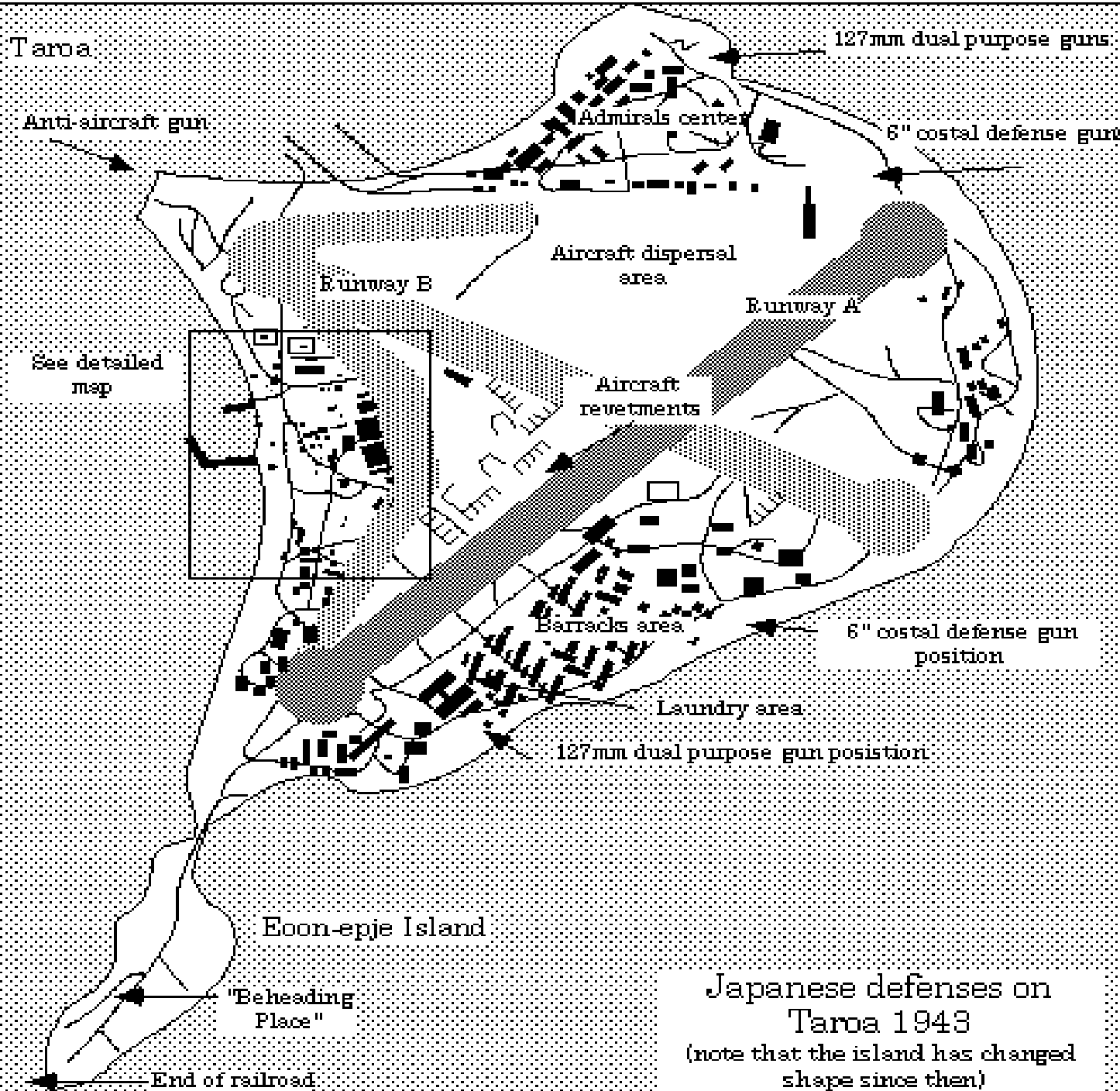


**Dave photographing
US SB2C Helldiver
torpedo bomber in
the Hangar Deck at
125', Bikini**





**Sherry sitting on
Japanese Battleship Nagato's
prop hub at 90', Bikini Atoll**



Maloalap Atoll & Taroa Island, Marshalls

Japanese defenses on Taroa 1943
 (note that the island has changed shape since then)



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**Taroa Island
Maloalap
Today**

**Japanese AA
shore gun,
Taroa Island
Maloalap**





**Intact Japanese plane engine
in Plane Graveyard, Taroa**



Sherry checking out more
'rusty bits' in the Plane
Graveyard Taroa

**Local kids posing with a
Japanese A6M Zero wreck
at low tide, Maloalap**



A6M Zero
engine



Documenting WW2 plane
locations Mili Atoll



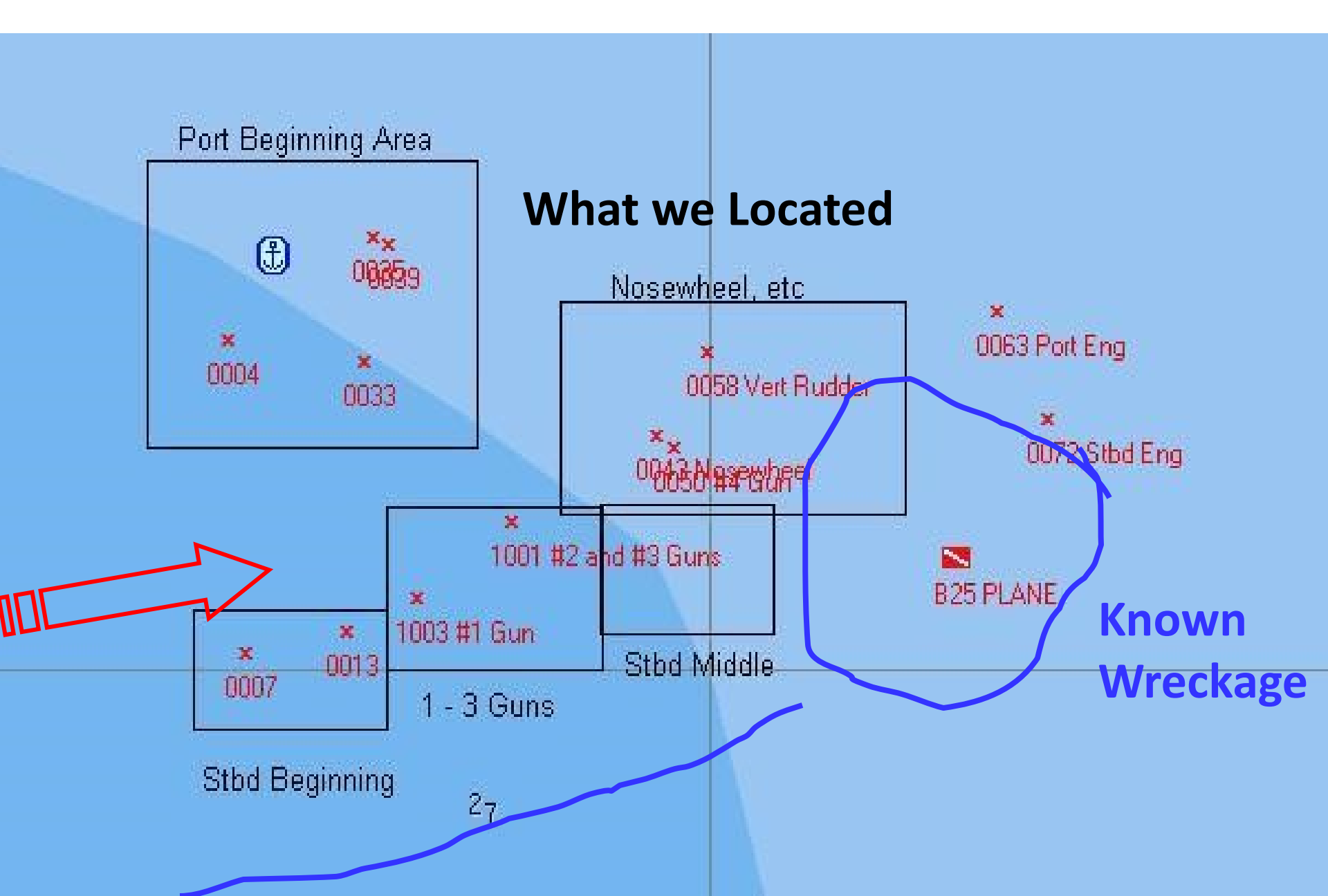
Local home built over
WWII bunker, Mili



Japanese dual
128mm AA gun in
the jungle, Mili

**Unexplored US B-25
Mitchell bomber at
25' Mili**



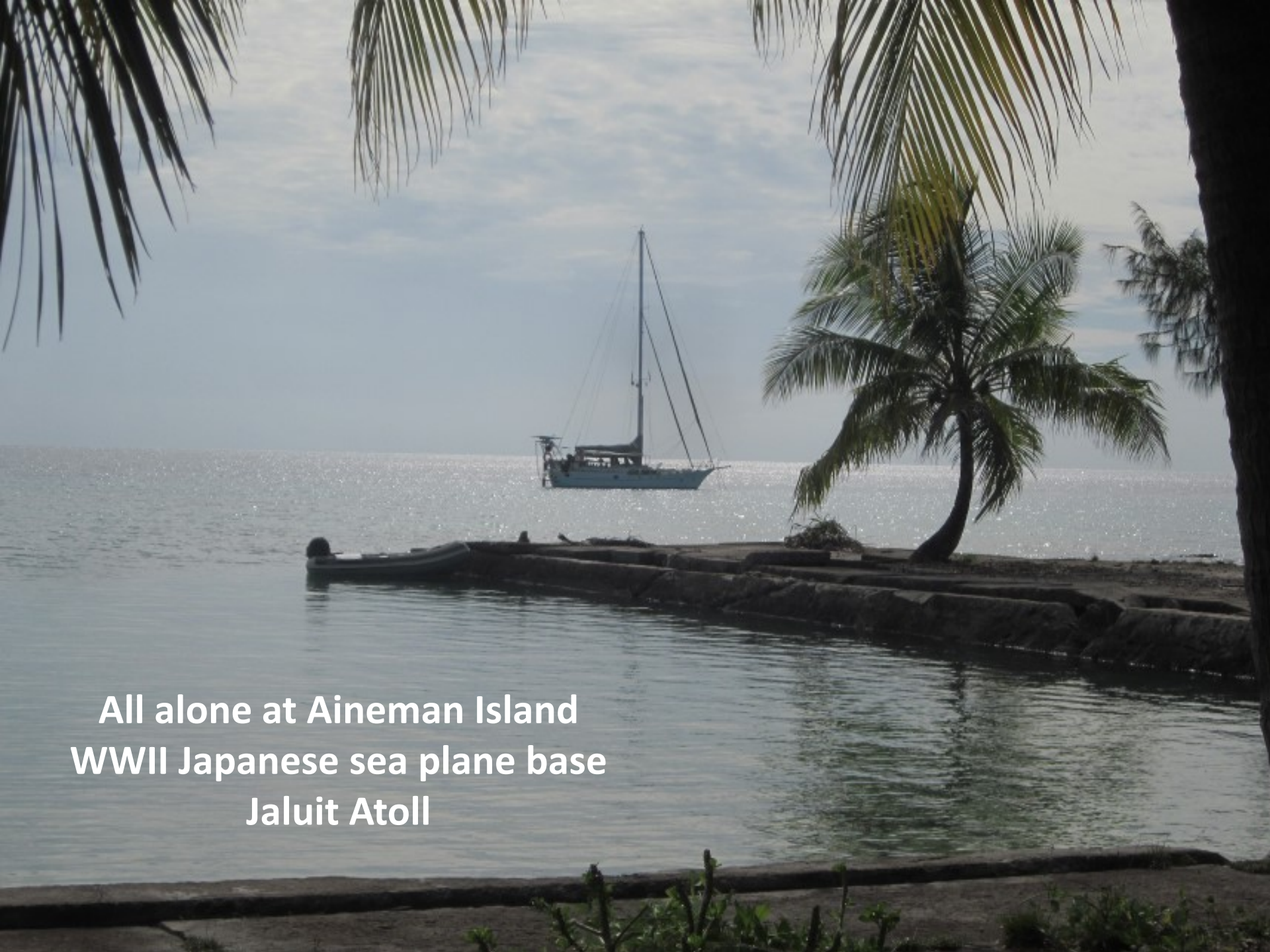


What we Located

Our site map of B-25 Mitchell bomber, Mili

Exploring
1880s German
trading ship,
composite
construction
Jaluit Atoll





**All alone at Aineman Island
WWII Japanese sea plane base
Jaluit Atoll**

Japanese Kawanishi H8K Flying Boat



125' Wingspan



**Sherry on huge
H8K“Emily”
Flying Boat at
90’ Jaluit**

**Dave inspecting
TBD Devastator
at 45', Jaluit**



**Gorgeous deserted pink sand
beaches at Rongerik Atoll
Marshalls**



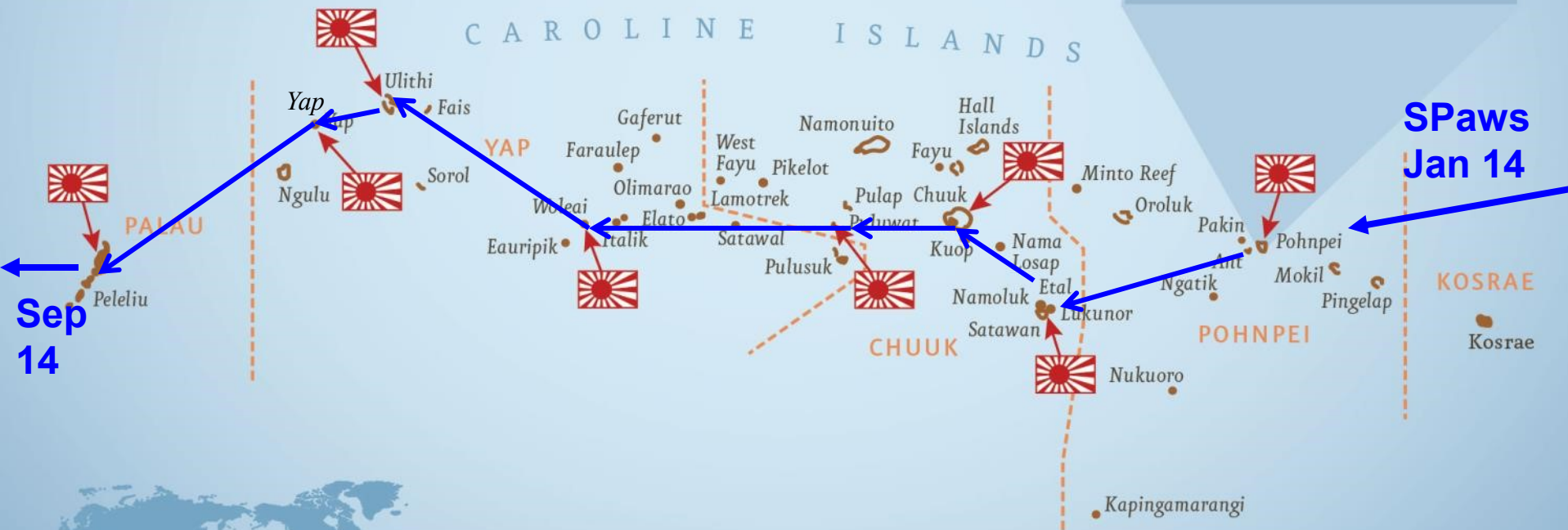
**Church service in
Marshallese for two
hours! Ailuk Atoll**



**Taking a ride
on fast sailing
canoe on
Ailuk Atoll**



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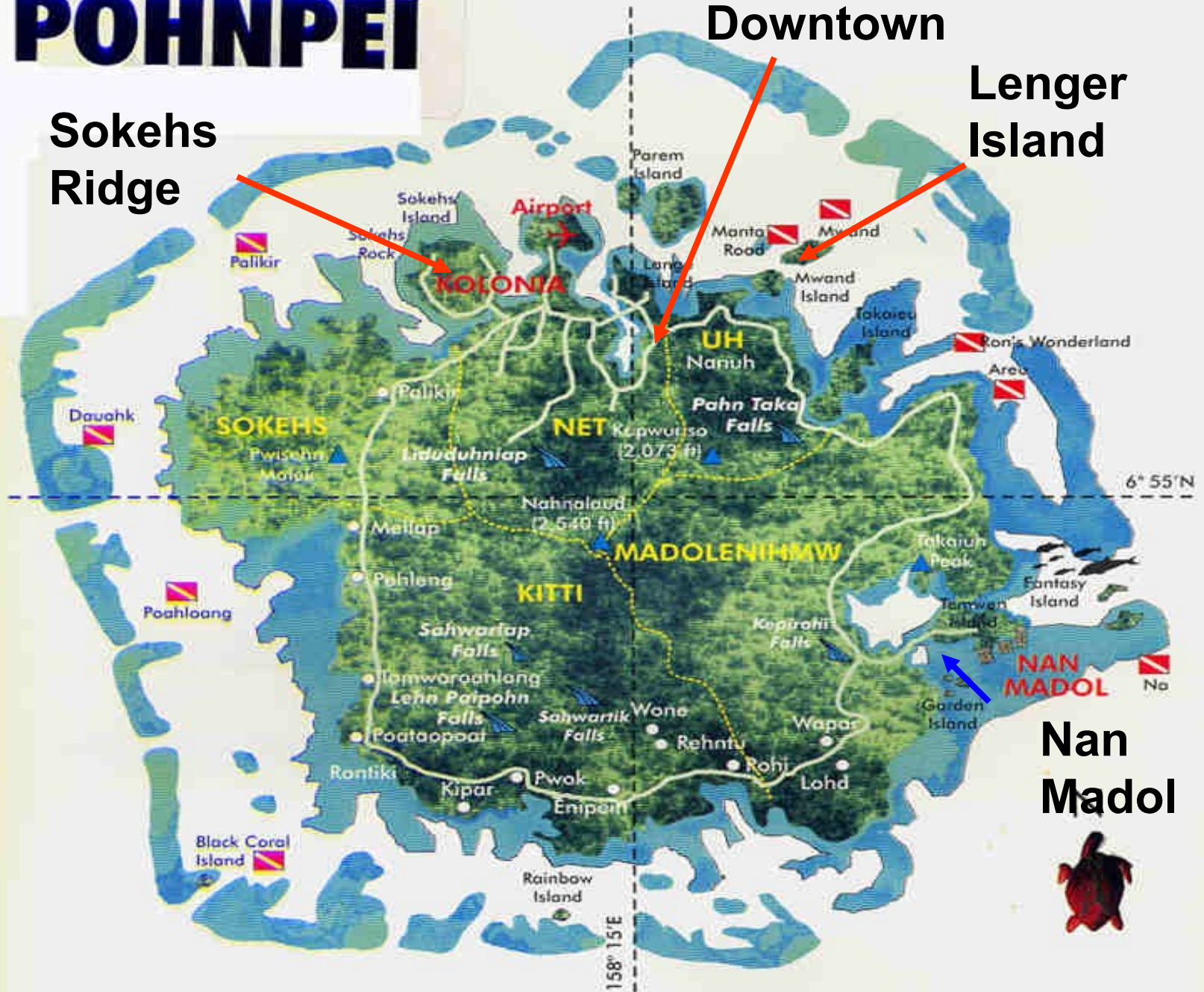


POHNPEI

Sokehs Ridge

Downtown

Lenger Island



Nan Madol

Nan Madol Pre-Colombian complex, Pohnpei





**‘Six Waterfall’
hike, Pohnpei**

**Japanese
3-Man Tanks
Pohnpei**





**Japanese Naval Gun
Pohnpei**



**Banyan tree
wheel w/
machinery
inside tree,
Pohnpei**

**Welcoming committee for
our daily visits ashore
Lukunor Atoll, Micronesia**





**Daily trading visits, note
innovative watercraft**



Westward 2
Steven's popular
movie nights,
Lukunor

Satawan Island Japanese airfield

Guns,
cemetery

Planes

SPaws

Tanks,
A6M,
guns

Guns

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Imagery Date: 3/26/2009

5° 19.685' N 153° 43.007' E elev -10 ft

eye alt 110

**Early Japanese
A6M5 Zero Fighter
Satawan**





**More Japanese 3-Man tanks
Satawan**

Diving Truk Lagoon

Chuuk Atoll, FSM



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Comm Bldg

SPaws,
Truk Stop

Moen

SPaws,
Blue Lagoon

AF

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Hospital

Ship
Wrecks

Dublon

Ship
Wrecks

Docks

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~~Dublon~~

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Fefan

Ship
Wrecks

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**Japanese Radio Comms Building,
Dec 7 1941
'Tora, Tora, Tora'
Now Xavier High School, Moen Isl**



**Early one man single lock
recompression chamber!
Blue Lagoon, Moen Isl**

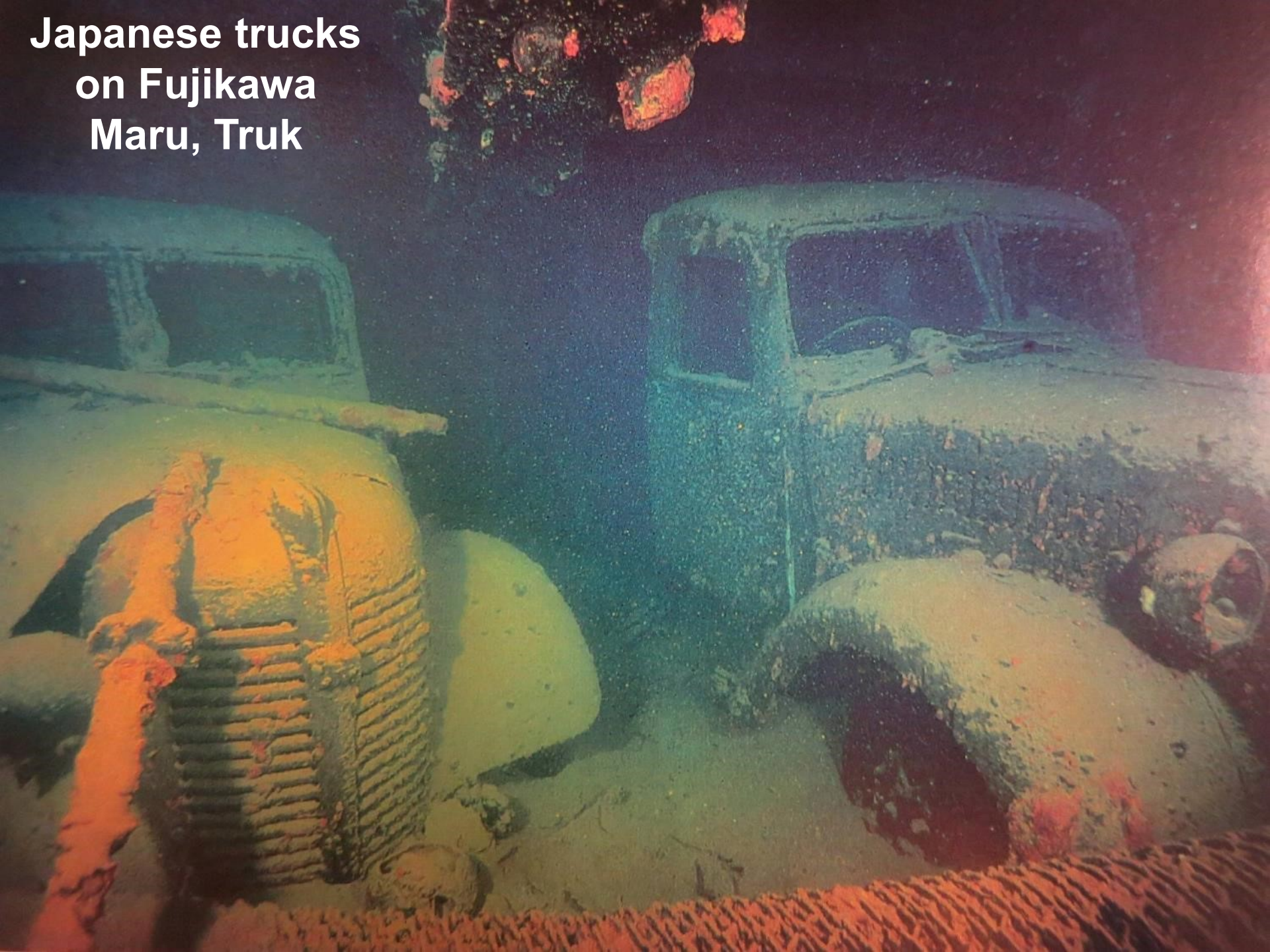


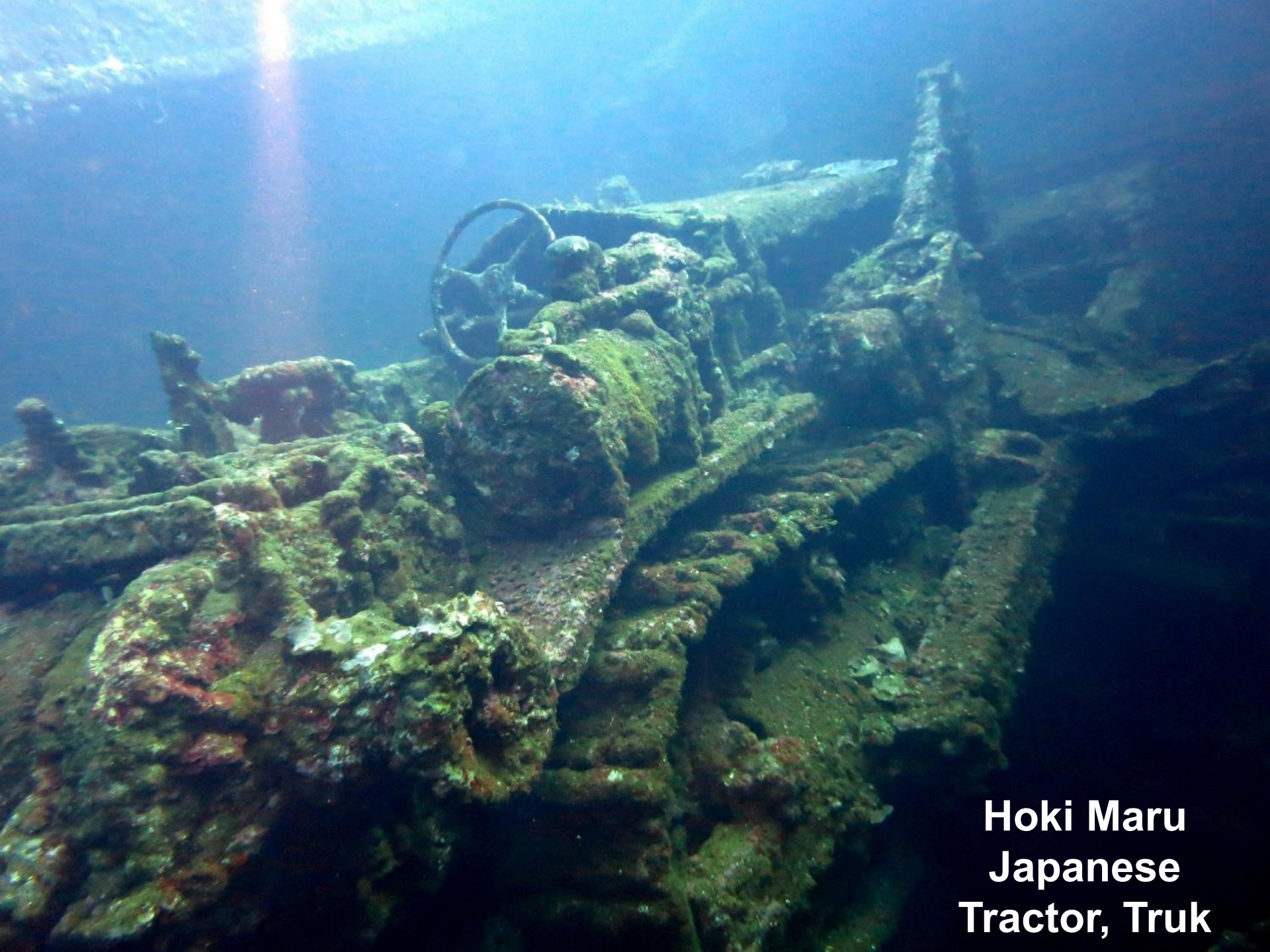
**Soggy Paws anchored
off Truk Stop Dive
Center for 2 weeks'
diving, Moen Isl**

**Kansho Maru
Bicycles, Truk**

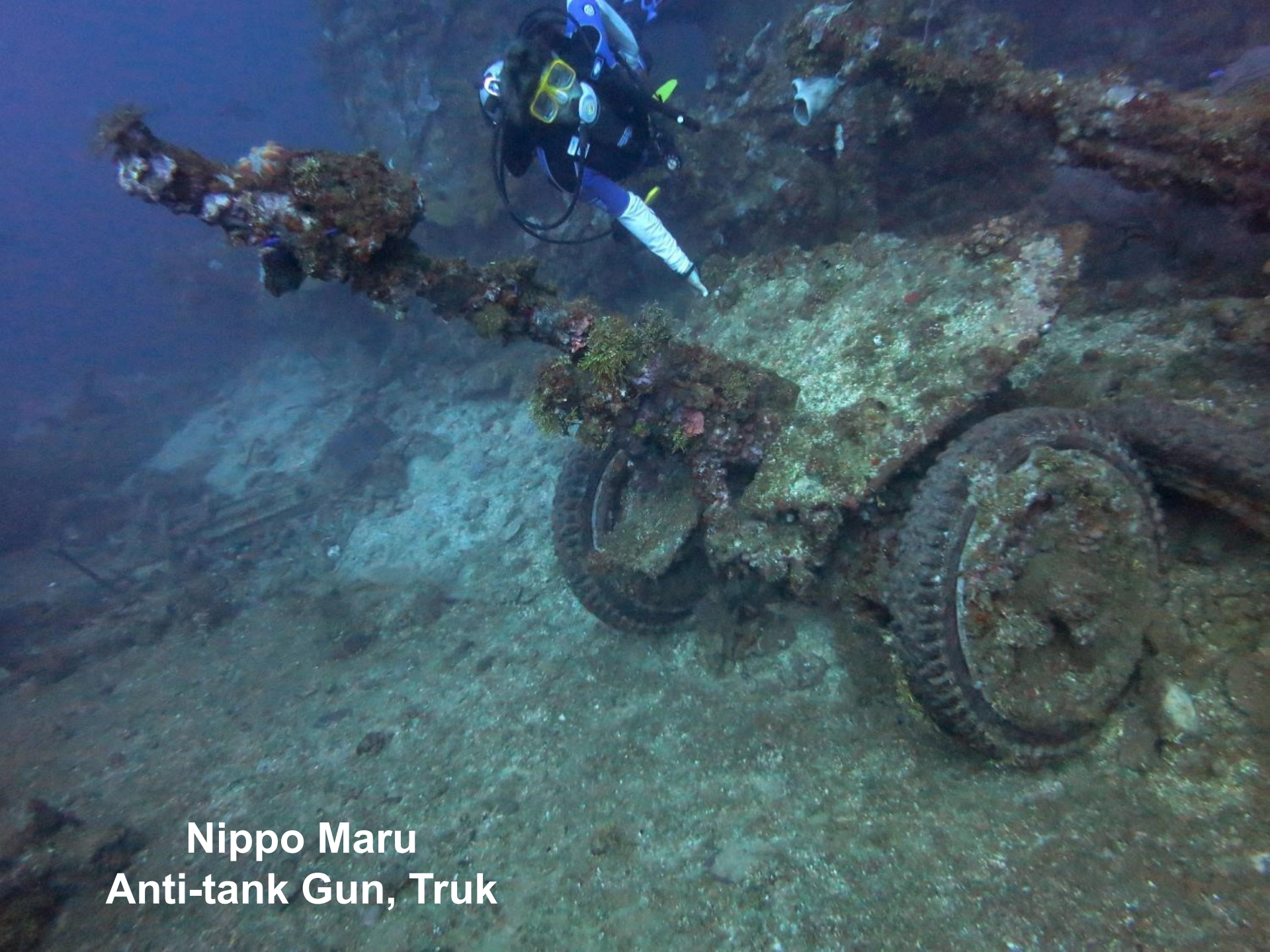


**Japanese trucks
on Fujikawa
Maru, Truk**

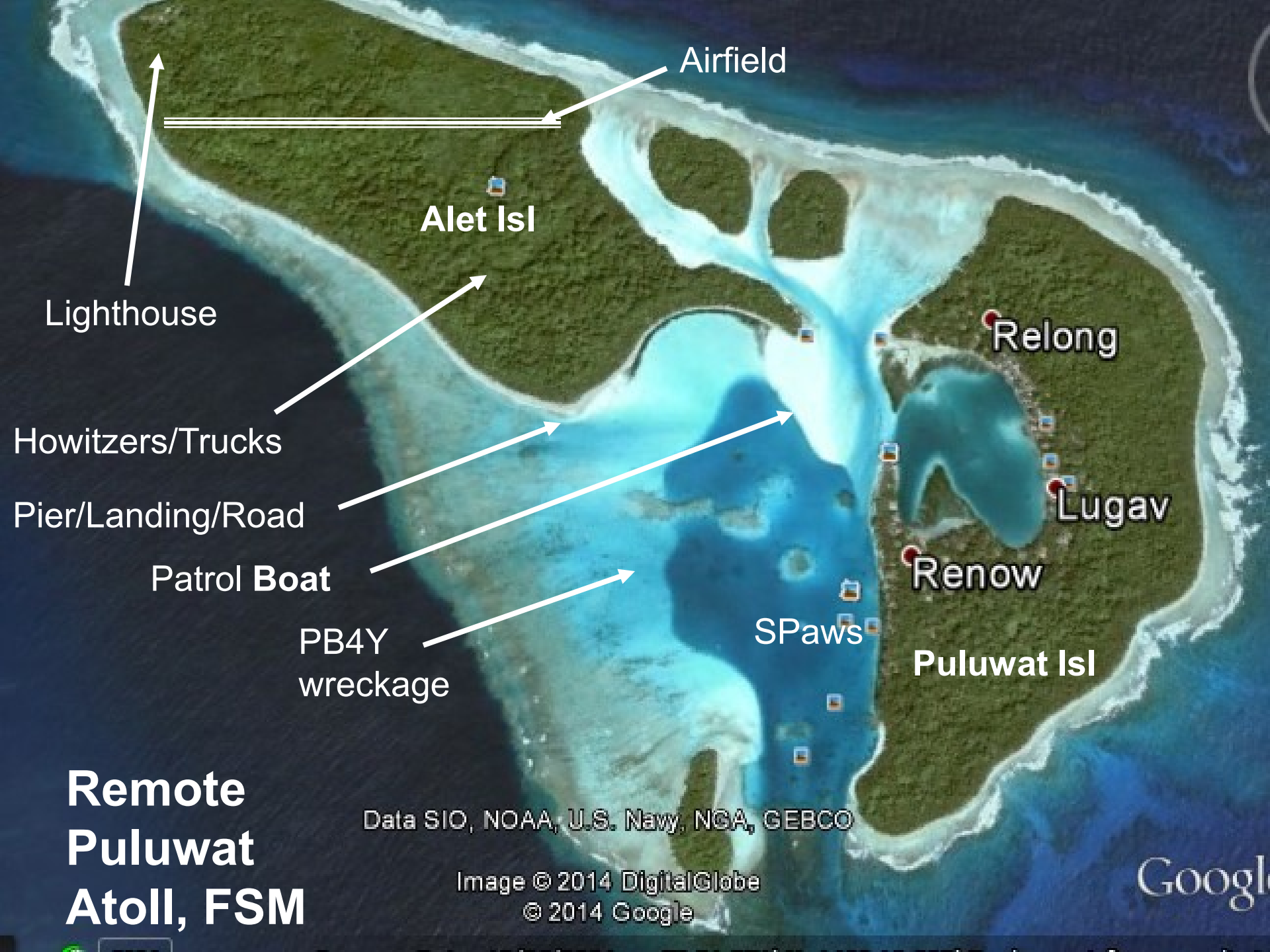




**Hoki Maru
Japanese
Tractor, Truk**



**Nippo Maru
Anti-tank Gun, Truk**



Lighthouse

Airfield

Alet Isl

Relong

Lugav

Renow

SPaws

Puluwat Isl

Remote Puluwat Atoll, FSM

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**Kids fishing & sailing
in Puluwat Lagoon, FSM**



**Puluwat natives from one of
3 villages in local canoe, FSM**



**Japanese lighthouse on N
end of Alet Island, Puluwat**

Coconut Crab
climbing the
lighthouse wall,
Puluwat





**Lighthouse light
rotation mechanism**



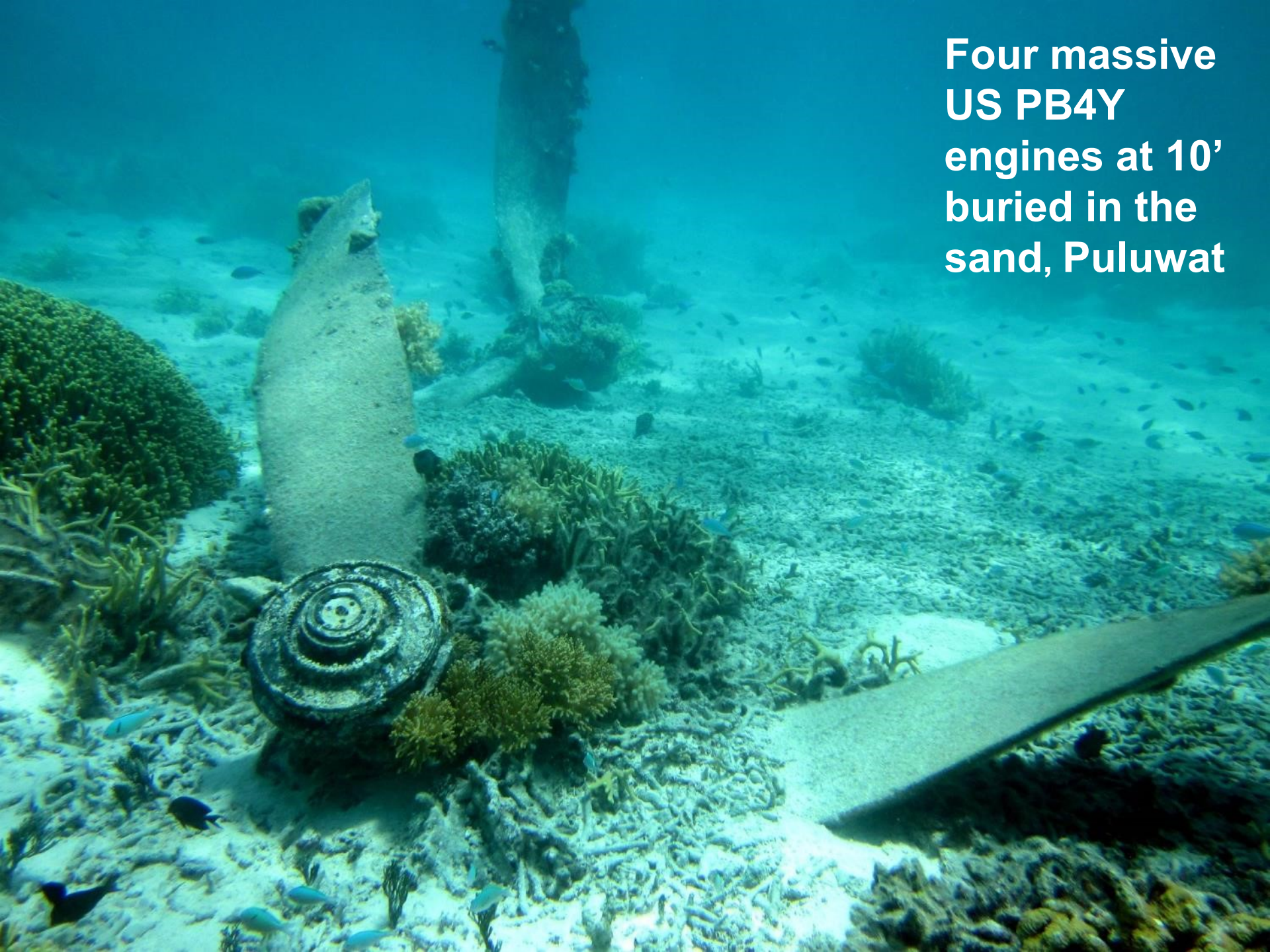
**9 Japanese
Howitzer guns on
Alet Island,
Puluwat**

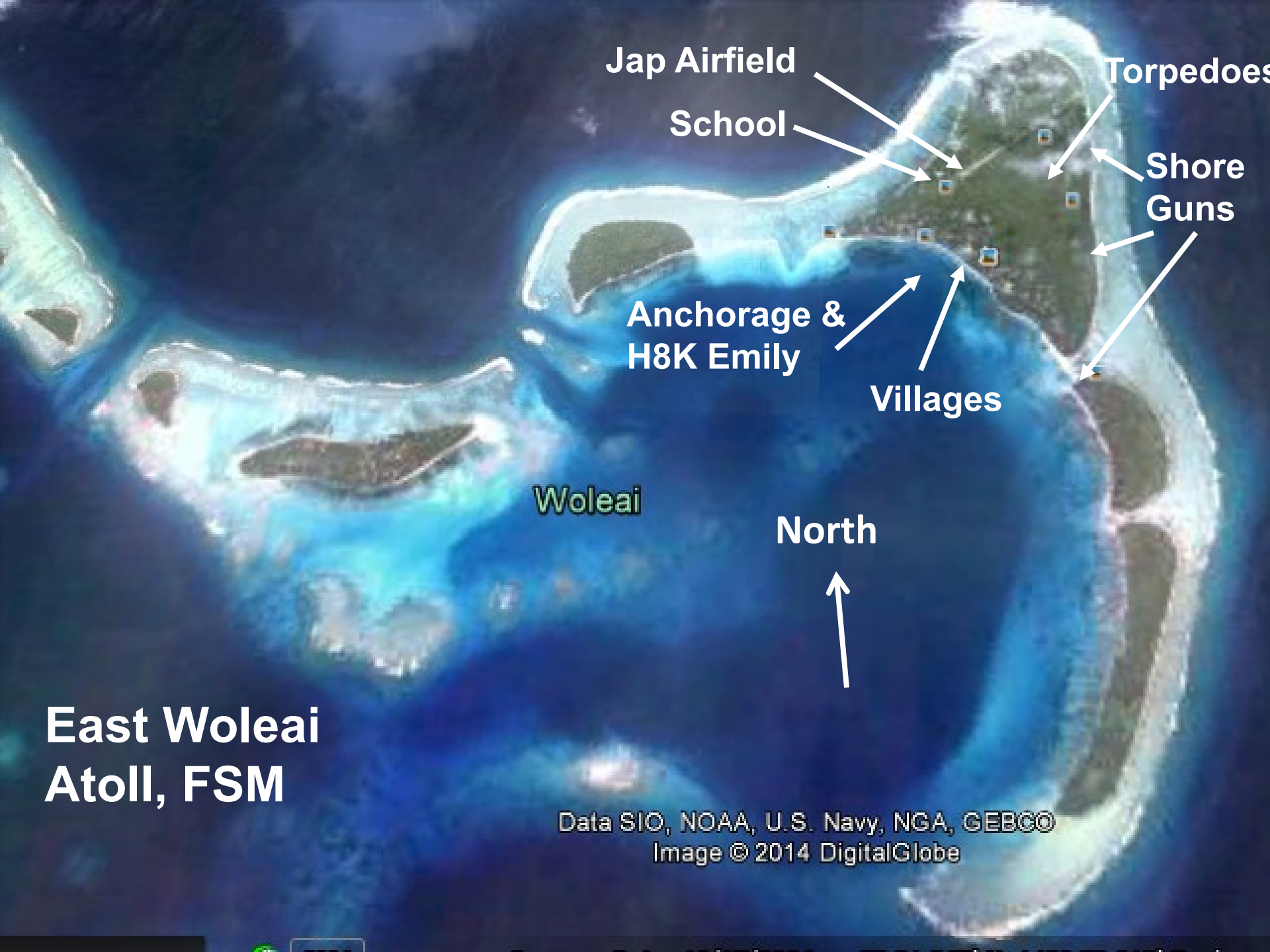
US Consolidated PB4Y Privateer Heavy Bomber



11 crew, 300 mph, 2820 mi,
21k, 12x50 cal, bombs,
mines, torpedoes

**Four massive
US PB4Y
engines at 10'
buried in the
sand, Puluwat**





Jap Airfield

School

Torpedoes

Shore
Guns

Anchorage &
H8K Emily

Villages

Woleai

North

East Woleai
Atoll, FSM

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**Our Dinghy
on the Beach
at Woleai**



**'Greeter' Matthias and 2
Chiefs Francis, Woleai**



**6 AM Easter
morning service
on Woleai**





Cruisers dressed for Easter Sunday festivities, Woleai



**Easter
“Cutest Kid”
contest,
Woleai**



Sherry and the island men sewing new sail panels, Woleai



**Another WW2
Japanese Zero
fighter in the
bush, Woleai**

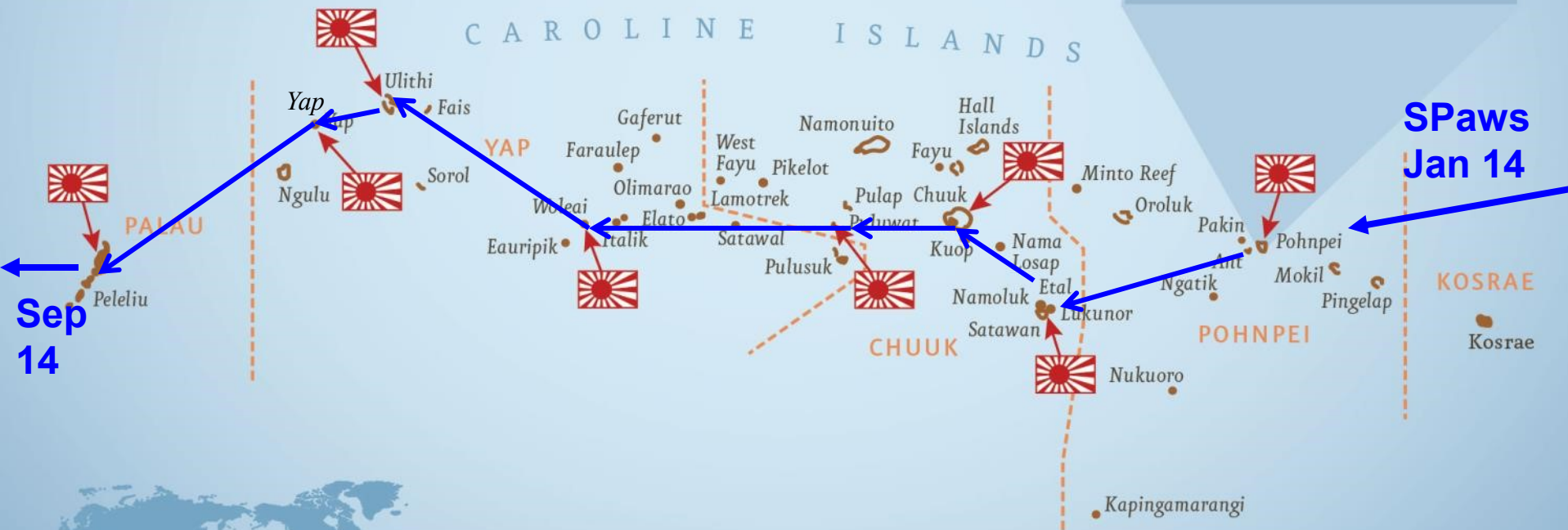


**Japanese 120 mm
Shore Gun, Woleai**

**Our parting
gift, Francis
with his new
sun glasses,
Woleai**



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**Ulithi Atoll
(North End)
RMI**

**Mogmog Isl
(R&R)**

**Sorlen Isl
(shops/stores)**

SPaws

**WWII Fleet
Anchorage**

**Asor
Isl**

**USS Mississinewa AO 59
sunk 19 Nov 44**

Falalop

Airfield

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Task Group 38.3 Entering Ulithi Atoll 17 Nov 44

USS Langley CVL27, Ticonderoga CV14, plus 3 BBs and 4 CLs
(fm USS Essex CV9 w/ Dad onbd)



**Dad at Ulithi:
1- 4 and 17- 20 Nov**

TG 38.3 Carriers at Ulithi Atoll, 8 Dec 1944

Wasp CV18, Yorktown CV10, Hornet CV12, Hancock CV19, Ticonderoga CV14, Lexington CV16



Famous WWII Pic
'Murderers' Row'

Ulithi Anchorage off Sorlen Isl Dec 1944



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Jetty

Mogmog Isl Ulithi Liberty Call via landing pontoons Nov 1944



SPaws

**Sorlen Beach
looking toward
Mogmog Island,
landing pontoon,
Ulithi**



A woman and a man are walking away from the camera on a dirt path through a dense forest of tall palm trees. The woman is on the left, wearing a pink shirt, a backpack, and a striped skirt. The man is on the right, shirtless and wearing a blue sarong. In the distance, another person in a red dress is visible on the path. The scene is brightly lit, suggesting a sunny day.

**Sherry on island Liberty
tour with 'Greeter'
Stanley, Mogmog Isl**



**Stanley inspecting 1944/45
Coca Cola bottles, Mogmog**

Yap Island, FSM

Kanif

Japanese
Lighthouse

Colonia

SPaws
anchored in
small Colonia
harbor

US/Jap planes

Old Jap Airfield

Ngoof

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**Yap stone money
Yap Island, FSM**



**Recovered
Hellcat fighter on display
courtesy
MissingAircraft.com, Yap**

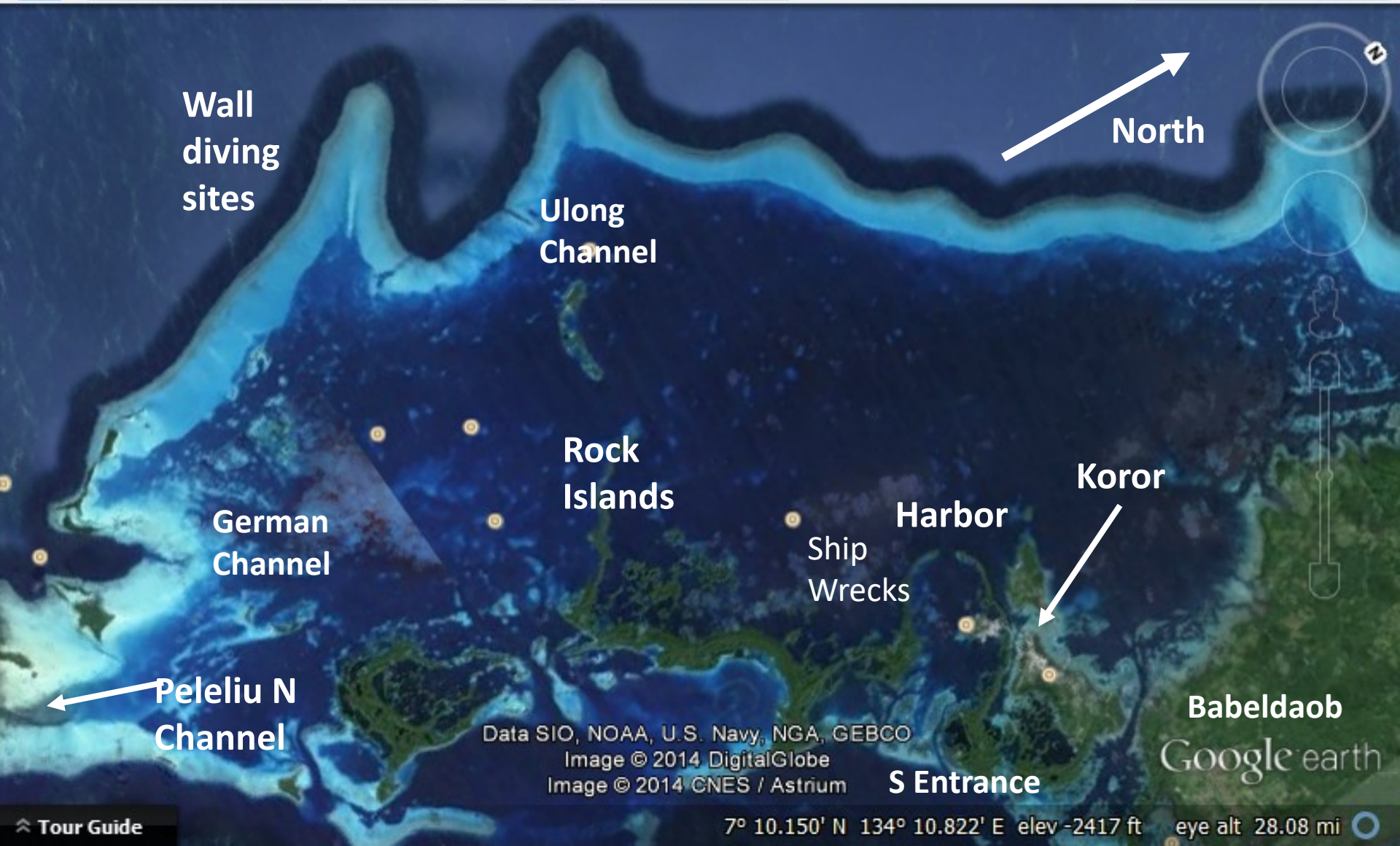
**G4M Betty bomber cockpit
w/ seats, engine controls,
dashboard, Yap**



Dive Sites, Palau



Koror & Rock Islands, Palau



Wall diving sites



North

Ulong Channel

Rock Islands

German Channel

Harbor

Koror

Ship Wrecks

Peleliu N Channel

Babeldaob

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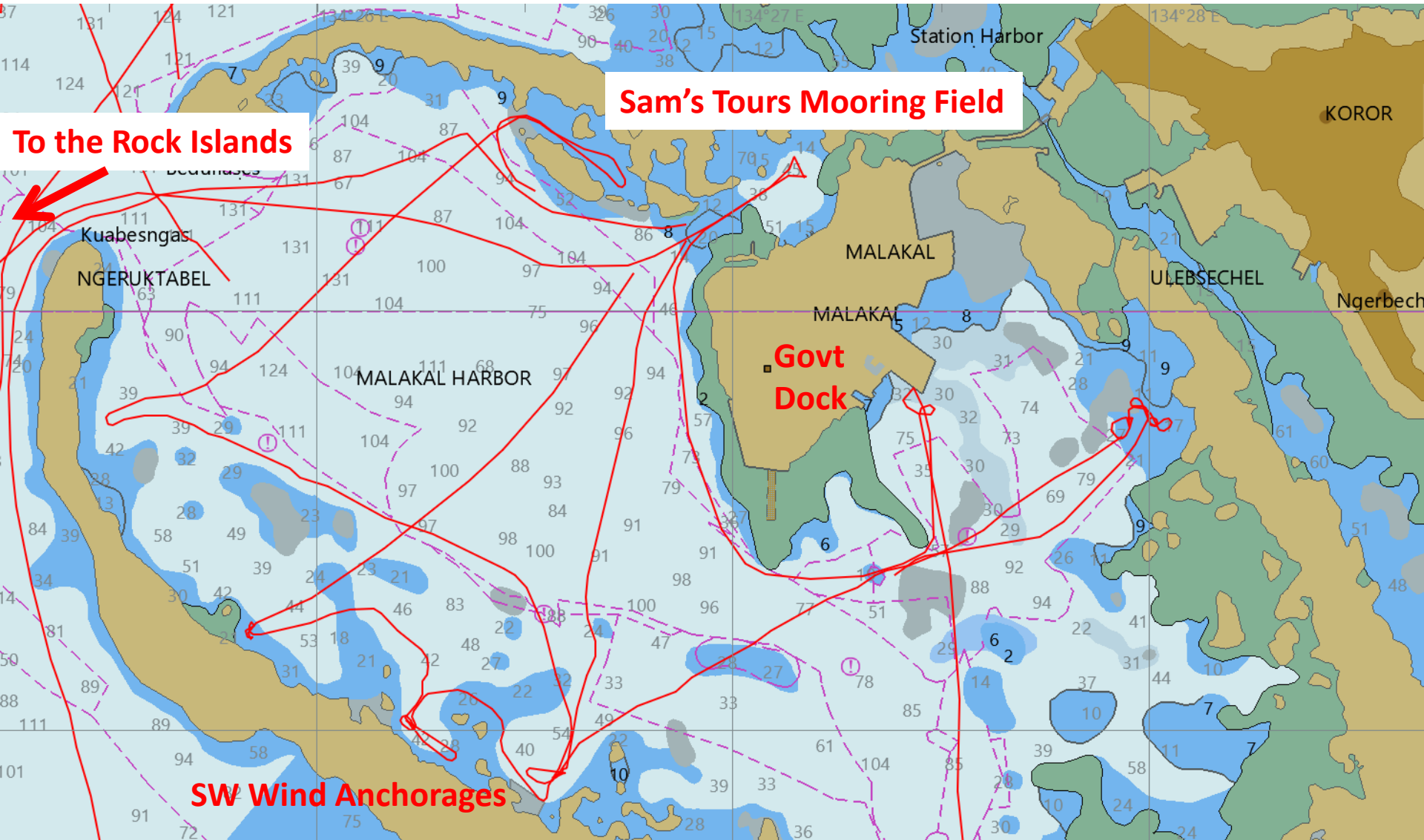
S Entrance

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7° 10.150' N 134° 10.822' E elev -2417 ft eye alt 28.08 mi

Entry from West

Malakal Harbor and Koror



Sam's Tours Mooring Field

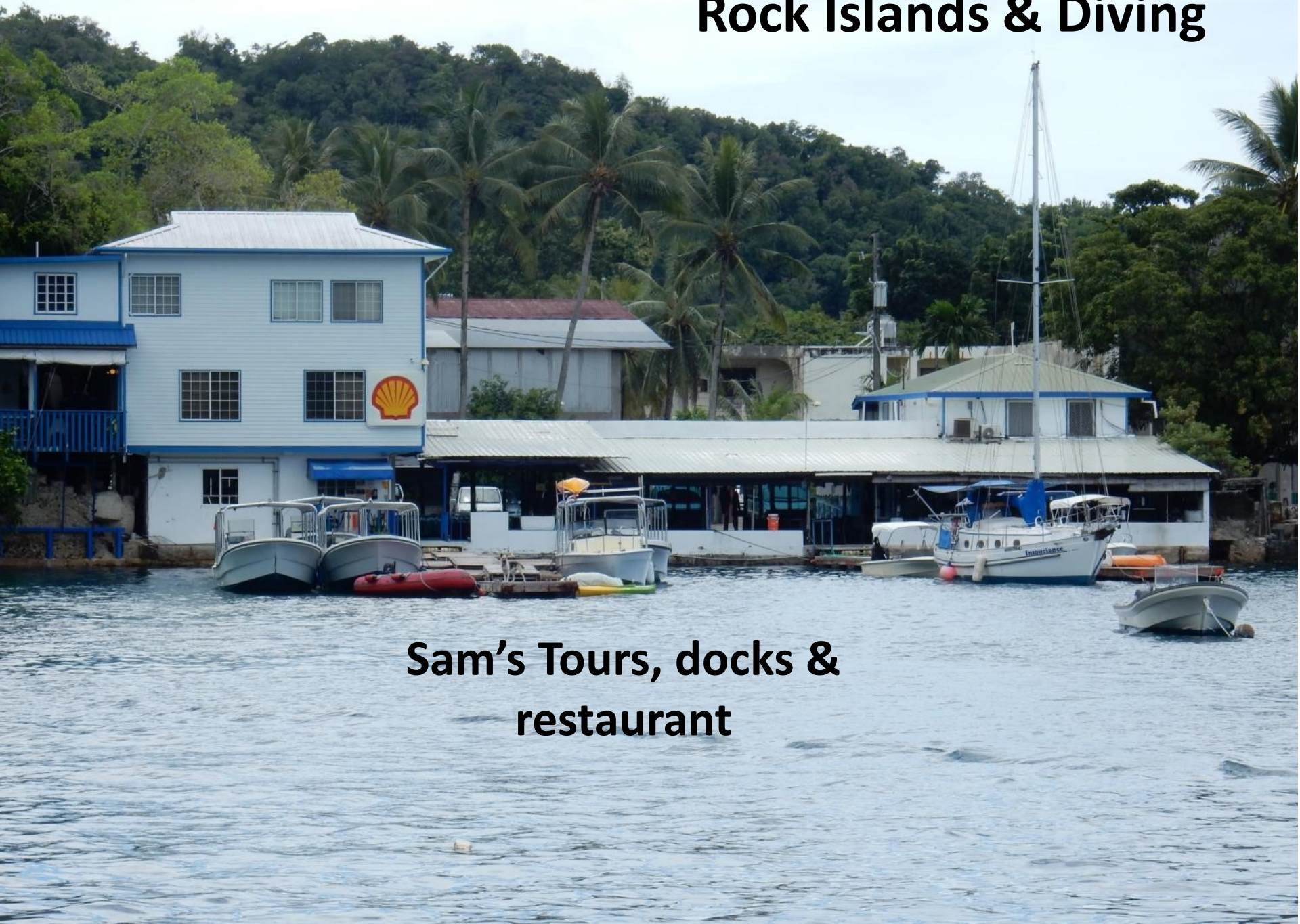
To the Rock Islands

Govt Dock

SW Wind Anchorages

Entry from East

Rock Islands & Diving



**Sam's Tours, docks &
restaurant**



**Exploring Palau
Rock Islands**



**Chandelier Cave,
Palau**

On a dive trip to the Rock Islands, Palau





**Red Frogfish
on Chuyo
Maru, Palau**



**Watching huge
Barracuda
school, Palau**



**Sherry and a
storm of
schoolmasters,
Palau**



**Diver watching
tornado school
of Jacks, Palau**



**Swimming
Flatworm, Palau**

**Saies Tunnels
cave dive, Palau**





**Reef 'hooked in'
watching sharks
at Blue Corner,
Palau**



Reticulidia Fungia
Nudibranch, 1"
long, Palau



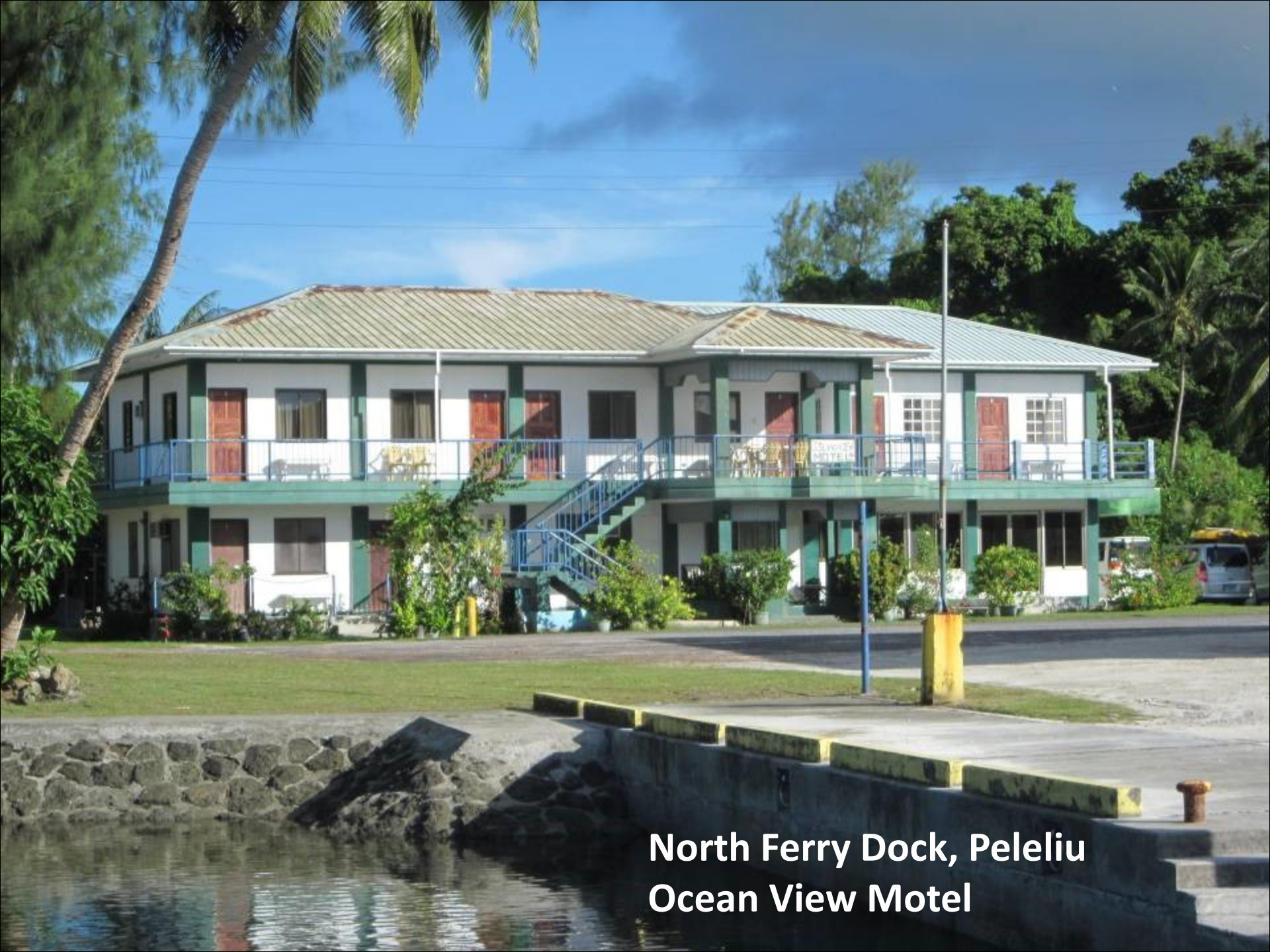
**Sherry descending
Chuyo Maru engine
room ladders, Palau**

Peleliu Island WW2 cave explorations



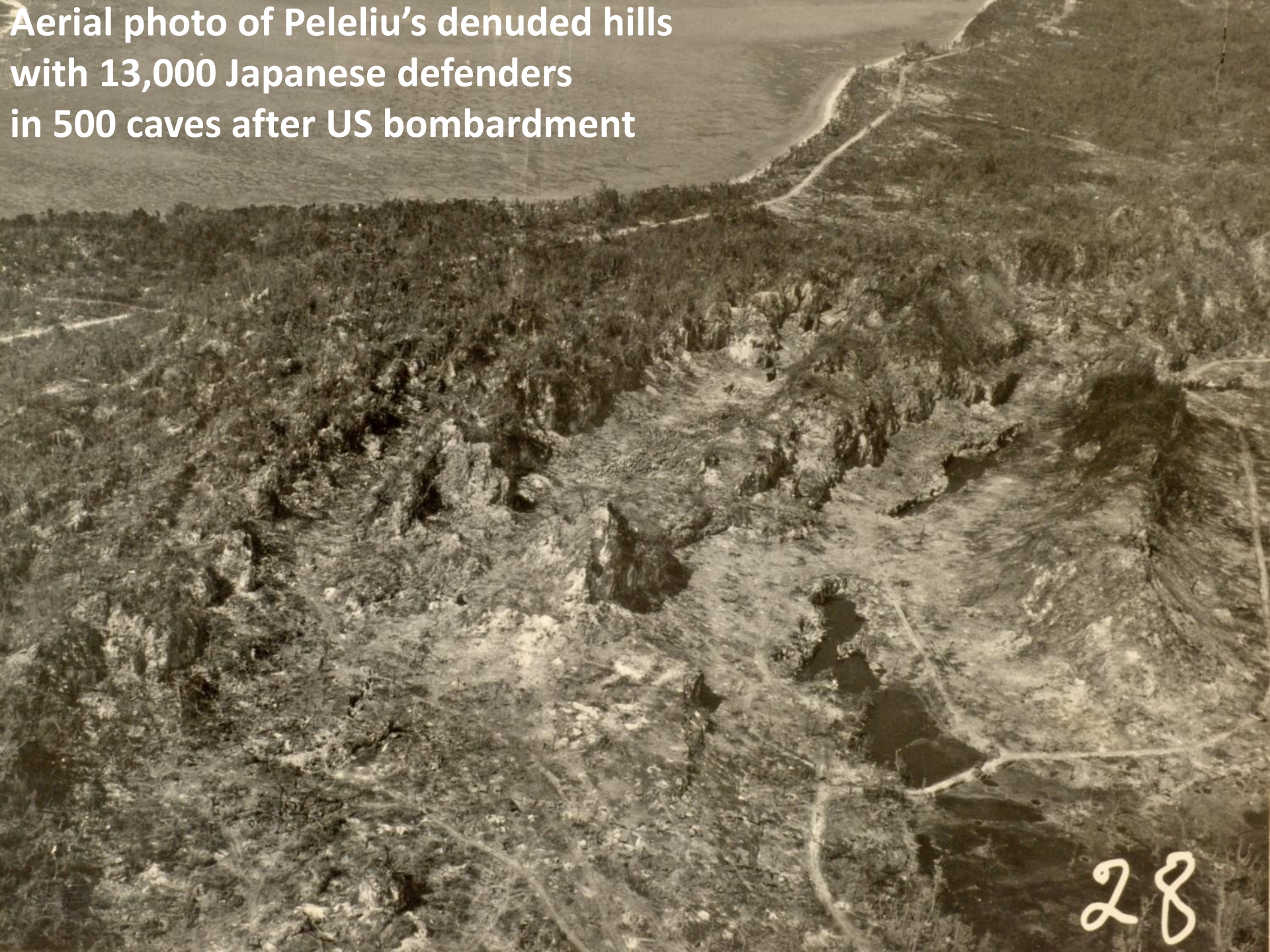
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Difficult, but great fun to explore hundreds of caves and ID relics



**North Ferry Dock, Peleliu
Ocean View Motel**

Aerial photo of Peleliu's denuded hills
with 13,000 Japanese defenders
in 500 caves after US bombardment



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First day road tour of tourist sites, Peleliu

State of Peleliu
A U.S. National
Historic Landmark

Bloody Nose Ridge
Monuments →

Museum →

81st U.S. Army
Monument →

Japanese War
Memorial →



BATTLE OF PELELIU JUNGLE TRAIL

Please stay within the markers, as the area outside has not been cleared of Explosive Remnants of War.

For your safety please walk within the white markers.

- This trail was cleared of Explosive Remnants of War (ERW) in three phases, with funding provided by the New Zealand Government for phase I & II, and AusAID for phase III.
- The trail was cleared by Cleared Ground Demining, a not-for-profit ERW clearance organisation from the United Kingdom, utilising its local team from Peleliu.
- During the clearance of this trail 4,822 items of Explosive Remnants of War, of Japanese and USA origin, were located and removed from this 820 metre (2,665ft) trail from the surface and down to a depth of 150mm (6 inches).



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**CLEARED GROUND
DEMINEING**



**Australian
AID** 

Bloody Nose Ridge Trail

Trail cleared to 6"
depth inside red &
white stakes,
Peleliu



500 lb bomb inside
1,000 Man cave, Peleliu





**US amphibious tank,
note US stars Peleliu**



**WWII landing Orange Beach
Sep 44 30,000 US troops landed
here on Peleliu**

A photograph of a rusted, overturned Sherman tank in a dense jungle. The tank is heavily corroded and its turret is tilted. The surrounding environment is lush with green foliage and ferns. The ground is dark and appears to be covered in moss and fallen leaves. The tank's main gun barrel is visible, pointing downwards. The overall scene is one of decay and abandonment in a natural setting.

**Sherman tank,
upset by land
mine
Peleliu**

Wildcat Bowl

A wide-angle photograph of a dense, lush green forest. The foreground is dominated by large, heart-shaped leaves of a vine-like plant. The middle ground shows a deep valley filled with thick, multi-layered vegetation, including various trees and shrubs. The background is a vast expanse of forest stretching to the horizon under a sky with scattered white clouds. The overall scene is one of a wild, unexplored natural environment.

**We believed inaccessible
and unexplored, but later
we found a way in, Peleliu**

Remote Trail

US Mk 2 'Pineapple'
hand grenade, missing
safety clip, pin and
lever, Peleliu



Storage Cave

Wooden spoke 2 wheeled
ammo carts in massive Japanese
cave, Peleliu

Cave
Entrance



Command Cave

Mother of
all caves,
huge natural
cave, Valley
Trail, Peleliu



Entrance from
natural cave
stalactites,
grenades &
bones, Peleliu

Secret
Cave





Collection of live Japanese
hand grenades, bullets
Secret Cave, Peleliu



**Japanese
bones, mess
kit tops, food
cans in Secret
Cave, Peleliu**



**Famous WW2 photo
US troops moving up
Mortimer Valley Oct 1944**

Mortimer Valley



Kevin and Philip
entering Mortimer
Valley, Peleliu

THE SITE OF THE LAST STAND

by the soldiers of
the Peleliu Sector Defense Command
of the defunct Imperial Japanese Army

This is the spot the command post of Colonel Kunio Nakagawa, commanding officer of the 2nd Infantry Regiment, concurrently with the Peleliu Sector Defense Command of the Imperial Japanese Army was located, where the defenders fought desperate fight to the last man.

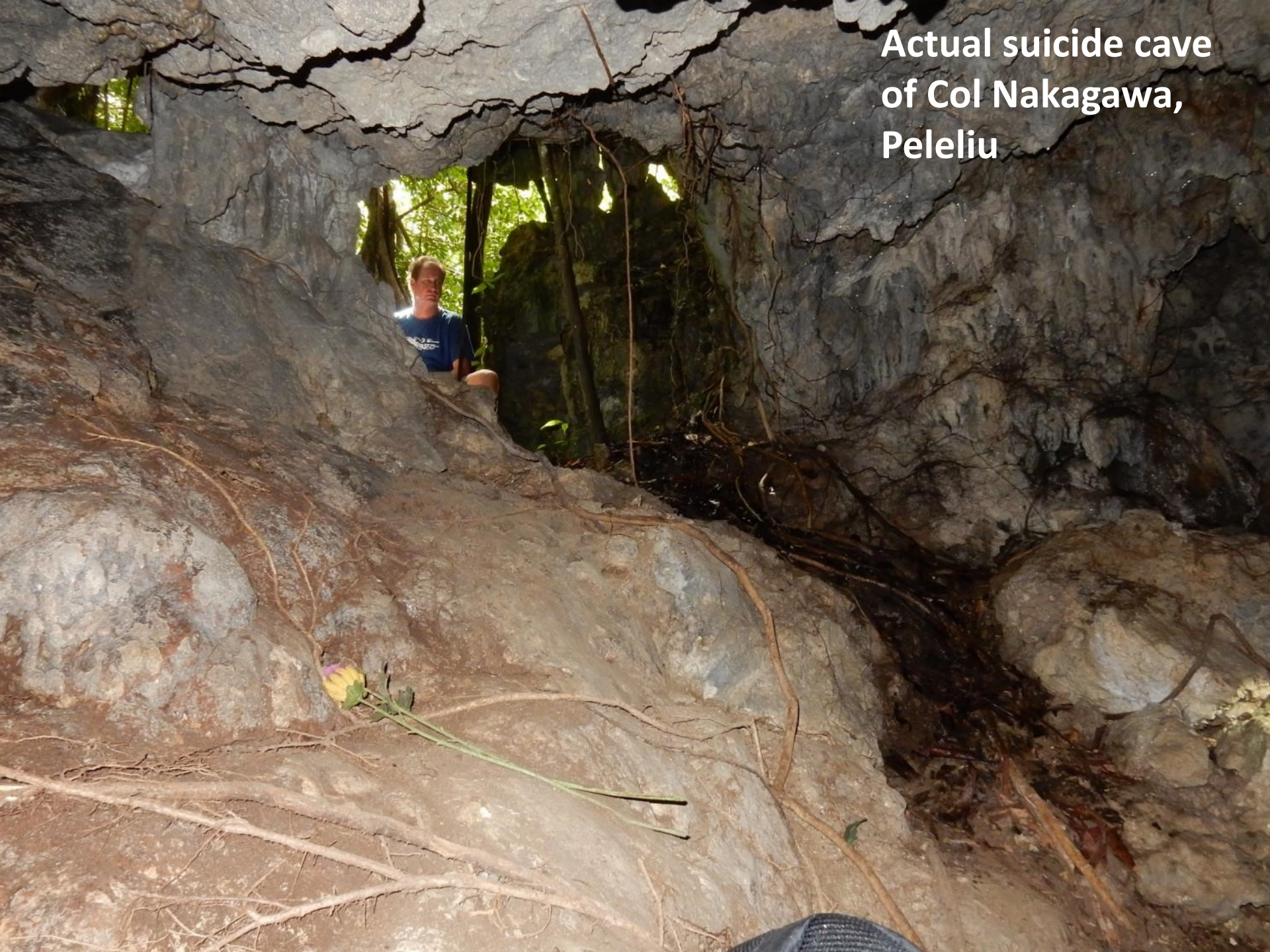
The 2nd Infantry Regiment, one of the elite units of the defunct Imperial Japanese Army, saw its end, and Colonel Nakagawa committed suicide right here after having destroyed, by fire, the regimental color on 24th of November, 1944.

February. 1989

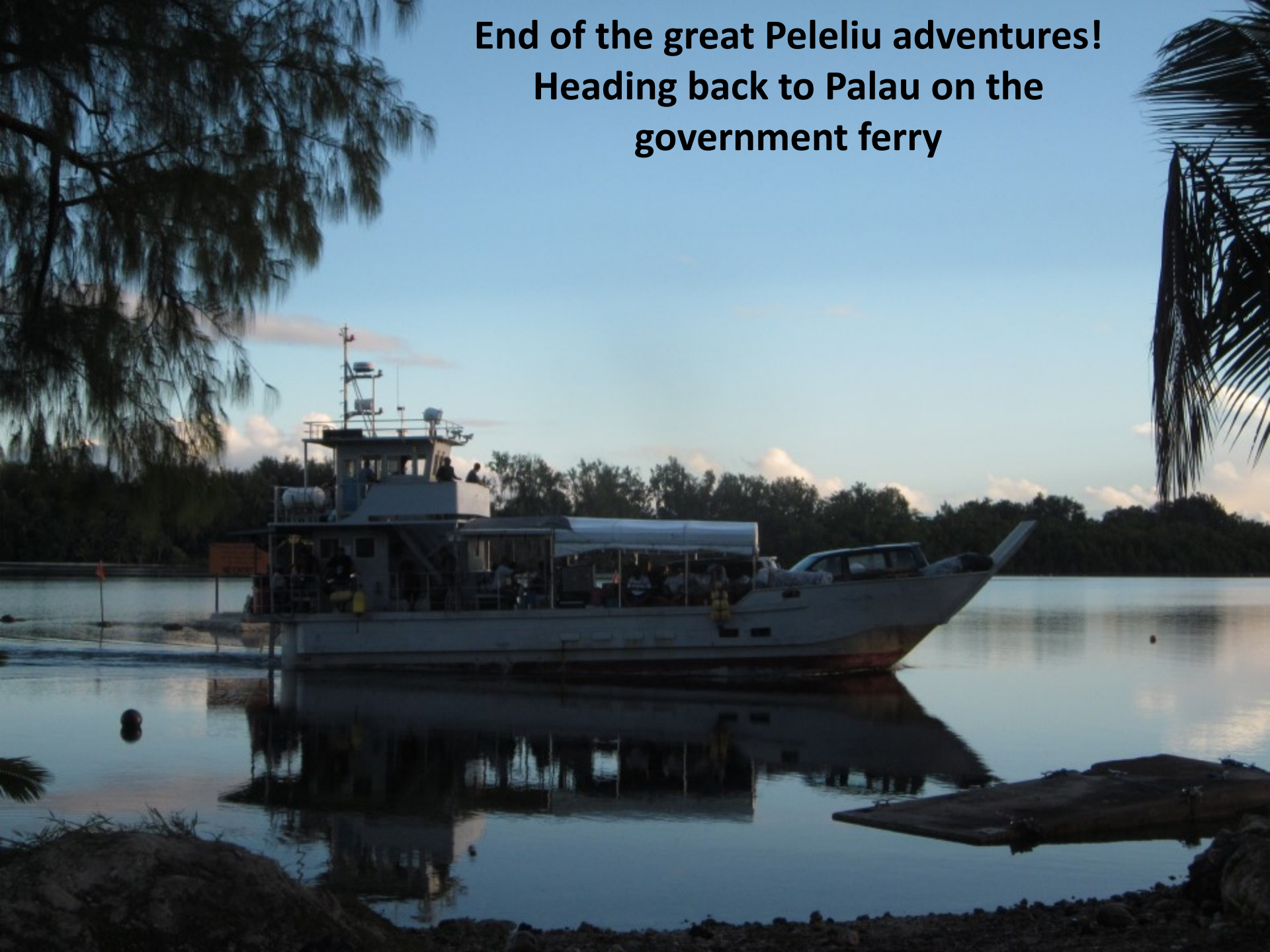
2nd Infantry Regiment Peleliu
Monument Promotion Assn

**Tourist plaque for Site of
Last Stand and suicide of
Col Nakagawa Peleliu**

Actual suicide cave
of Col Nakagawa,
Peleliu



**End of the great Peleliu adventures!
Heading back to Palau on the
government ferry**



Underway to the Philippines



**Ocean View Marina,
Samal Island, Davao, Mindanao,
Philippines, looking north**



SV Soggy Paws 2004 St Francis 44 Mk II
Our current boat, purchased 2015 in Malaysia





**Soggy Paws
2024
Tentative
Plan**

Phuket

Dhaka

Beirut

Jerusalem

Yerushalayim

Al Quds

Amman

Baghdad

Mosul

Aleppo

Tel Aviv-Yafo

Beirut

Lebanon

Cyprus

Israel

Jordan

Iraq

Saudi Arabia

Yemen

Somalia

Ethiopia

Kenya

Tanzania

Uganda

Rwanda

Burundi

South Sudan

Sudan

Egypt

Turkey

Iran

Afghanistan

Pakistan

India

Nepal

Bhutan

Myanmar (Burma)

Thailand

Laos

China

Uzbekistan

Kyrgyzstan

Tajikistan

Turkmenistan

Azerbaijan

Georgia

Armenia

Yerevan

Baku

Tashkent

Dushanbe

Ashgabat

Mashhad

Tehran

Isfahan

Kabul

Islamabad

Gujranwala

Faisalabad

Lahore

Ludhiana

Meerut

Agra

Delhi

Jaipur

Kanpur

Lucknow

Patna

Dhaka

Chittagong

Kolkata (Calcutta)

Nagpur

Bhopal

Indore

Vadodara

Surat

Nasik

Mumbai (Bombay)

Pune

Hyderabad

Ahmadabad

Coimbatore

Bangalore (Bengaluru)

Chennai (Madras)

Colombo

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Phnom Penh

Yangon (Rangoon)

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The End

Dave & Sherry McCampbell
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