

Dear Friends of Randi,

I'm very sorry that we have had a few complaints that we don't send regular Randi updates during the summer. The reason for this is that I have always assumed our summers must be very predicatable and therefore you don't need to me to update you. Also there is the chance that it might be annoying if you are stuck in a stuffy office somewhere...

But as yesterday was a fairly typical day, here are a few shots taken when we went for lunch on Skiathos, a short run of about 6 miles each way.

In two weeks time we have a few days free of guests and plan to explore the Northern Sporades, Skiathios, Skopelos and Alonyssos, a great sailing area on our door step. We havn't actually slept on board Kaliope yet, so this will be our first oportunity. Kaliope is very basic just a compass and hand held GPS, no lights or electrics. A solar powered lamp will do as an anchor light and we have no need to sail after dark. We don't get fog so we should be fine...



We were joined yesterday by my son Andy and his flat mate Tesh on their hols. It is fantastic to pull up at a beach and anchor with the bow in 6" of water.

So as we anchored we were folled in by a huge Sunseeker flying the red ensign. They anchored well off in deep water after a lot of bumbling about. Then launched their jet drive rib tender from the stern locker (garage) on the Sunseeker. They then motored to the beach and dragged this very smart dinghy ashore, no anchors. Of course as soon as a few waves came in their dinghy was all over the place, what a mess. Anyway after their lunch the Sunseeker crowd spent 10 minutes admiring Kaliope and taking pictures.....



It is a great pleasure to lie quietly on the beach watching all this go on and feeling a lot of pride in our small but beautiful little boat.



Kalo kalokeri (Have a good summer) Best Wishes Chris and Kathryn