

Title: Sailing Experience: Surviving 48 Hours in a Liferaft

Location: Off the coast of New Zealand

Sailing Condition: Rocky, windy, wavy sea conditions

Problems Faced:

1. Old liferaft did not inflate due to a corroded hose
2. Leak in the liferaft causing water to seep in during rainy and windy conditions
3. Difficulty in sleeping due to constant movement and noise
4. Challenging to stay dry and comfortable in the liferaft
5. Lack of essential items in the liferaft such as medkit, patch kit, and rations

Fixes Attempted:

1. Investigating and identifying the cause of liferaft not inflating
2. Using sponges to soak up water in the liferaft
3. Improvising ways to cover up bright light inside the liferaft for sleeping
4. Reflecting on potential additions to a grab bag for future preparedness

Anchorage:

1. Close to Parlay boat
2. Gulf Harbor Marina

Marinas: Akarana Yacht Club

Safety Measures:

1. Staying connected via satellite phone for communication
2. Having emergency drinking water, flashlights, portable water, and a signaling mirror for safety
3. Ensuring the liferaft is properly secured and free of leaks

Rules:

1. Following instructions from the liferaft manual for survival
2. Keeping flares and signaling devices nearby for emergencies
3. Practicing patience and perseverance in challenging conditions

Weather: Rainy, windy conditions during the experience

Tide and Currents: Not mentioned in the provided transcript

Routes:

1. Flotilla of boats sailing down to Akarana Yacht Club
2. Crossing the Pacific Ocean from undisclosed location

Sea Bottom: Not relevant to the liferaft survival scenario

Additional Observations:

1. Importance of having essential items like medkit, patch kit, and rations in a grab bag
2. Reflection on personal decisions and life experiences during the isolated time in the liferaft
3. Appreciation for the challenges faced during the survival experience and the significance of preparation and teamwork.

Note: The PDF will need more detailed information on safety measures, rules, weather, and routes, as well as practical tips and recommendations for liferaft survival situations.