Hurley 27 EMU



Due to ill health, I am selling Emu, my Hurley 27. I purchased Emu in 2014 as I wanted a suitable craft for ocean sailing. After sailing to BYHH in Plymouth in 2016, I was convinced of its sailing and self steering abilities. I then prepared for the Jester Challenge in 2018 and took part in this event, sailing to the Azores and back single handed. She performed well both ways, including 11 days of relentless headwinds on the return leg. Self steering by sheet to tiller using levers to reduce the sheet tension to easily managed levels proved very reliable. Details of the methods, and how to set up for different points of sail can be found on YouTube. Search for "Jester Challenge 2018. Emu self-steering without a windvane." It is in three parts.

Yanmar 1GSM10 diesel engine starts easily and runs sweetly. 2 bladed prop which parks behind deadwood giving little drag.

All below the waterline rubbed back to gellcoat, any scrapes epoxy filled then coppercoat applied.

Standard Horizon GX2200E AIS/GPS/DSC radio with waypoint navigation.
Metz Manta antanae and tinned cable gives excellent reception on both VHF and AIS.

Standard horizon HX870E hand held floating DSC transciever with GPS and waypoint nav.

NASA log/Depth sounder

NASA short wave/LW/MW radio with fixed output for reception of weatherfax and world service etc.

SeaMe X band radar target enhancer. Gives enhanced signal on ship's radar and warning in boat's cabin.

3 x 40W solar panels with Epever MPPT charger.

Cockpit autopilot. I haven't needed this.

Mainsail sound with 2 deep reefs. Spare main. Furling genoa servicable but repair required. Spare furling headsail, storm jib can be set on removable inner forestay, other small jibs. Storm trysail. New cruising chute, never been flown.

Jordan series drogue with strong chainplates on each quarter.

Fortress type anchor with 25m of 8mm chain and nylon warp. CQR and fisherman's anchors. Chain pawl.

Small 2 adult hyperlon dinghy, old but only used one season.

Loads of new spare ropes including dyneema. I had intended replacing the lower shrouds and backstay with dyneema and can supply delrin deadeyes if you want to go down that route.

Boarding ladder, spare tiller, Lots of spares of everything, paint, some tools and materials.

Oilskins and lifejackets if required.

Some work needed to complete. Priced for quick sale £4000. Will consider sensible offer or negotiate on items not required. Lying in club compound in Southampton. Buyer could launch and sail away or leave in the yard until May. Fees are very low.

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