

MARCUS ISLAND



Lat. 24° 18' N Long. 153° 58' E

Marcus Island was a frustrating stop for the KUKUI. For four days we were forced to drift off of the Island awaiting a change in the weather. Numerous attempts were made at anchoring but all resulted in failure because of the strong south winds. On one attempt the brakes failed on the starboard anchor and it was lost overboard. Chief Williams is to be commended for his quick thinking in making sure that the foscals was cleared and no injuries resulted from the runaway anchor.

The work at Marcus went quickly due to the small amount of cargo and the close proximity of the beach. With all hands rolling drums on the beach the KUKUI was able to leave Marcus after a full day of cargo operations.