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Our most popular cruising area is the Clyde, Northern Ireland and the Scottish west coast archipelago, now collectively labelled 'Malin Waters'.

Indeed it was with the support of the Sail West marketing arm MalinWaters, The Crown Estate and the British Marine Federation that we were able to comprehensively cover all the major anchorages on the north coast of Ireland.

You can read more about The Crown Estate below and the British Marine Federation on page 4.

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Welcome Anchorages is not intended to be a pilot book or sailing directions, and you will find more information about these essential publications on page 29. Safe navigation depends on accurate and up to date information and these provide it in good measure.

Welcome Anchorages is available free at boat shows, chandlers, marinas and marine trade outlets, also to download from our state-of-the-art website: www.welcomeanchorages.info

Colour coding: Green: N Ireland Black: Clyde Red: West Coast Yellow: NW Coast Lt Blue: N&E Scotland Whether you are a Scottish or Irish based cruising sailor, or a visitor from further afield, we hope you enjoy planning your cruise and have memorable voyaging in these waters.

We are always improving the information Welcome Anchorages provides, and keeping it as up to date as

possible, so please send suggestions and updates via our website emailing facility.

We wish you fair winds and good sailing in 2015 and hope you will find this eighth annual edition as useful as its predecessors.

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HE EASTERN shore of Northern Ireland has three large and very different loughs, and great variety of scenery. Cruising northward from Carlingford Lough, the impressive bulk of the Cooley and Mourne Mountains dominate the view to the west. The highest peak of the Mourne Mountains is Slieve Donard at 850m (2,789ft).

Carlingford Lough provides a potential stopping place, though with a difficult entrance if tide and wind are not cooperating. It also forms the boundary between the Republic of Ireland and Northern Ireland.

Carlingford is the only fjord-like feature on this coast; of the other two loughs, Strangford Lough is a submerged drumlin filled basin, and Belfast Lough is more like a ria, a drowned river valley.

Ireland's east coast is sheltered from the prevailing westerlies, although the direct course from the Irish Sea to South Rock is more than 20 miles from the coast in places, so any shelter is more theoretical than actual.

North of Strangford entrance, which leads to a small cruising paradise, the east Down coast between there and Belfast Lough is a regular route for many Ulster sailors relocating their yachts. It does not offer much in the way of yachting orientated harbours, as Portavogie is dominated by its fishing fleet. Donaghadee, virtually in Belfast Lough, has a good visitor's berth beside the lighthouse.

Belfast Lough is a fine stretch of open water, and a very busy sea route. There are excellent marinas on either shore at Bangor and



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Portglenone Marina Co. Antrim.



Carrickfergus Castle.

Carrickfergus, and there are now 40 berths in Belfast port for leisure craft in the Abercorn Basin.

North from Belfast Lough lie the beautiful Glens of Antrim where the valleys which cut into the basalt escarpments terminate in



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relatively sheltered bays.

As you sail north, the headlands become more dominant and the tides stronger until you turn the corner at Fair Head, an unmistakable 180m (600ft) promontory overlooking the Mull of Kintyre and Rathlin Island.

Heading west from Fair Head to Bloody Foreland, this part of the North Channel, as you round Fair Head, is known as the Sea of Moyle, whereas west of Malin Head you are definitely sailing on the Atlantic Ocean. The transition from the relatively sheltered North Channel waters to the open ocean as you progress westward, together with vigorous tidal streams as far west as Inishtrahull, requires careful passage planning, along with a degree of opportunism to make a comfortable passage to Bloody Foreland.

This section of the Irish coast may be only 80 miles long, but it offers some spectacular coastal scenery, the opportunity for very fast or very slow passages depending on conditions, and a mixture of convenient stopping points and sheltered inland havens.

Donegal's west coast with Donegal Bay is a superb and unspoiled cruising area. The area south of Bloody Foreland is known as 'The Rosses', and its islands and channels are a fascinating playground.

The coastal scenery from here around to Donegal Bay is remarkable, and can be best seen from the sea. Glen Head and Rossan Point are well known headlands, and once into Donegal Bay Slieve League dominates the northern shore. Killybegs and Sligo are both excellent harbours and pleasant towns for yachts to visit

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#### Firth of Clyde to the Antrim coast and Belfast Lough

The return trip fits into a week, or can be done in an active long weekend if the tides are favourable. A round trip outward via the Ayrshire ports taking in the Belfast Lough marinas and Glenarm, and returning via Campbeltown and Lamlash or Tarbert, makes an attractive cruise.

# Campbeltown and the Firth of Clyde to north Antrim and Lough Swilly

The crossing from Campbeltown to Rathlin or Ballycastle is 34 miles, or from the anchorage at Sanda only 22 miles. The cliff scenery of Rathlin and from Fair Head to Portrush is spectacular, particularly around the Giant's Causeway, and the north coast is a well-known hot spot for basking sharks.

#### Portrush and North Antrim to West Donegal and Sligo

This cruise needs three weeks for detailed exploration but will fit into a fortnight. There are visitor moorings at Culdaff, but most yachts make the 42-mile trip from Portrush or Coleraine to Lough Swilly in a single voyage. The islands from Inishsirrer to Aranmore shelter the coast from the everpresent swell, and golden beaches and snug anchorages beckon.



Set sail from Portrush

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Ardglass is a major fishing port, and its marina is a useful stopping place on a coastal passage north or south, as it is close to the direct course and can be entered in all weather conditions. It is also a convenient spot to await a favourable tide for entering Strangford Lough.

Phennick Cove Marina has modern facilities, and is just 6 miles from Downpatrick, where most services are available.

Ardglass began as an Anglo-Norman port, then grew when exporting grain in the 15th Century. Its many historic buildings give the village a unique character.

The renowned golf course is immediately south of the harbour, and welcomes visitors.

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Portaferry offers traditional shops, pubs, restaurants and a market square, and is an attractive seaside town.

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Here you will find Exploris, the Northern Ireland Aquarium, a rich architectural heritage and traditonal charm.

Strangford is a smaller village, again with pubs, restaurants and shops. The newly installed visitor pontoon and two moorings labelled 'Cuan Hotel' enable visitors to sample the delights of both places. Local attractions include the National Trust properties at Mount Stewart and Castleward. St Patrick's heritage is everywhere, and there is a variety of local walks and places of natural beauty. Strangford Lough is an EU Special Area of Conservation and one of only three Marine Nature Reserves in the British Isles.

Bangor Marina is situated on the south shore

of Belfast Lough, close to the Irish Sea cruising

routes. The marina provides a safe berth in the

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boating services, is manned 24hrs a day by

Visitors to Bangor Marina will find hotels, restaurants, bars, shops and many leisure

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Belfast Harbour Marina is ideally situated for visitors to explore the vibrant City of Belfast and surrounding areas.

Easily approached through Belfast Harbour, the Marina is accessible 24 hours. It has a minimum depth of 4m, and can handle vessels up to 25m in length.

Located in the new Titanic Quarter, 'Titanic Belfast' visitor attraction and the Odyssey Centre are on our doorstep.

A short walk away is the Cathedral Quarter, home to many of Belfast's top bars and restaurants, the City Centre shopping district, and bus, rail and air links to anywhere in Northern Ireland and beyond. Fuel supply is by arrangement, and there

is a chandlery immediately across the bridge. Most other needs can be met in the city's shops.

Belfast Harbour (Abercorn Basin) Tel: 028 9055 3013 Email: marina@belfast-harbour.co.uk Website:www.belfast-harbour.co.uk VHF: Ch12 "Belfast Harbour Radio"



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Carrickfergus Marina is situated on the north shore of Belfast Lough, adjacent to an authentic 12th Century Norman Castle, a supermarket, hotel, six-screen cinema and several restaurants ranging from fast food to fine dining. Carrickfergus Marina's recent accolades include

the TYHA 5 Gold Anchor Award, European Blue Flag Award, the RYA's Berth Holders Charter (first award in Ireland) and the RYA Sailability centre for disabled sailing.

The Marine Services Area at the Harbour offers a wide range of maintenance and marine engineering services together with upholstery and canvas work services and sail repairs.

As a special promotion, all visitors can enjoy a complimentary second night's stay when paying on arrival.

Glenarm Marina, long a port of call for sailors and yachtsmen en route to and from Scotland's west coast, is conveniently located on the beautiful Antrim coast 7 miles north of Larne and close to the direct north-south track through the North Channel. Visiting vessels are welcome.

The marina has 40 fully serviced pontoon berths within the village's historical limestone harbour, which is ideally situated within a day's sail of the Western Isles and Clyde.

Glenarm is a charming village and is a good base from which to explore the Glens of Antrim.

Carrickfergus Marina Tel: +44 (0) 28 9336 6666 Email: marina.reception@carrickfergus.org Website: www.carrickfergus.org/marina VHF: Ch37 available 24 hours



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Ballycastle Marina is strategically situated just a few miles west of Fair Head and is a convenient arrival point from Scotland whether headed west Tel: 028 2076 8525 or south. The marina is very sheltered, and just a Mobile: 07803 505084 few minutes walk from the town.

The seaside town is famous for its Old Lammas Fair, which has been held at the end of August each year for over 400 years.

Marconi conducted some of his earliest experiments in radio transmission between Rathlin and Ballycastle in 1898.

The town is an excellent centre for exploring Fair Head to the east, and the Causeway Coast to the west. It has a good range of shops, pubs, restaurants, and bus connections.

**Ballycastle Marina** Harbour Master: John Morton Email: jmorton@moyle-council.org Website: www.ballycastlemarina.com









The new pontoon facilities at Rathlin Marina were funded under the NI Rural Development.

Programme and completed in August 2013. With a capacity of up to 40 boats and over 400 metres of alongside pontoon berthing. BALLYCASTLE MARINA

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#### **RATHLIN ISLAND**



With the improvement in harbour facilities in sheltered Church Bay, Rathlin is now a popular cruising port of call.

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Rathlin Island is a fascinating place, and a magnet for sailors, birdwatchers and divers. The island has spectacular cliffs and is renowned for its colonies of puffins, kittiwakes, guillemots and razorbills. The waters around Rathlin have strong tides and are strewn with wrecks, the biggest being the 14,000-ton World War I armoured

cruiser Drake, torpedoed in 1917. Walks to the West or East lighthouses will stretch your legs, or the pubs and restaurants around the bay will deal with the inner man!

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Portrush has 45m of pontoon space that is also used by local charter boats and a few visitor moorings. Enjoy a trip to the nearby Giants Causeway and Dunluce Castle, or a visit to Londonderry, the European City of Culture 2013. Portrush has excellent Rail and Bus Links with connections to Belfast and Dublin available daily. Outdoor Activities include: fishing, surfing, cycling, coastal walks, rock climbing and coasteering, plus two Golf Clubs. There are 5 Restaurants and 2 Bars situated within 300m of the pontoons, creating a lively atmosphere during weekends and over the summer months of July and August. Portrush YC is next to the Harbour Office and welcomes all sailing visitors (free WiFi).

Portrush Harbour

Harbour Master: Captain Robert Anderson Tel: 028 7082 2307 Mobile: 07889 081860 Email: robert.anderson@colerainebc.gov.uk Website: www.colerainebc.gov.uk Coleraine Borough Council: 028 7034 7234 VHF: Ch16: 0930-1730



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Seaton's Marina lies on the east bank of the River Bann, three miles from the sea and two miles downstream of the town of Coleraine. It has 48 berths, including one pontoon berth and one pick-up mooring for visitors. The marina is an ideal location for cruising the

River Bann by power boat: it is navigable for craft of low air draught upstream to Lough Neagh.

Exploring the Causeway Coast, Donegal and the Scottish islands are other options, whilst local tourist attractions include the Giant's Causeway, Dunluce Castle, the golf courses of Portrush and Portstewart, and the area's many sandy beaches. There is a supermarket just over a mile away, and ample shopping is available in Portstewart and Coleraine.

The 59 berth newly re-furbished Coleraine Marina is located a short distance downstream of the busy University town.

The council run Marina has visitor berths for visiting craft up to 60 feet and is equipped with a boat hoist and hard standing.

Coleraine has the oldest human settlements in Ireland - houses dating from 7,000 BC have been discovered at Mountsandel, south of the town.

There are excellent train and bus connections to Belfast, Derry and Portrush, and the town's Riverside Theatre is a prestigious venue for drama productions.

Site security is good, and includes CCTV cameras, so this is a suitable place to leave a yacht.

Seaton's Marina Contact for visiting yachts: Jill Seaton Tel: 028 7083 2086 Mobile: 07718 883099 Email: jill@seatonsmarina.co.uk Website: www.seatonsmarina.co.uk



Coleraine Marina (Coleraine Borough Council) Contact: Ricky McArthur Tel: 028 7034 4768 Coleraine Borough Council: 028 7034 7234 Website: www.colerainebc.gov.uk VHF: M (37) office hours



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Foyle Marina, in the heart of the City, is 17 miles from the mouth of Lough Foyle. Contact Harbour Radio on VHF Ch14 on entering the well marked channel.

Dues are payable, and keycode, water and electricity tokens issued at the Coffee Shop adjoining the marina.

Foyle Marina's two pontoons can accommodate up to 60 craft max. 130mtrs LOA or 1000 tons. Harbour Radio will advise at which pontoon/ area you are to berth. Toilets and Showers are on site. 24 hour CCTV covers all berths. The Marina is within easy strolling distance of a host of bars and restaurants, major supermarkets, shopping centres and all city amentities. A wealth of tourist opportunities await in this fascinating and historic Walled City.

Greencastle has the most accessible harbour in Donegal for a yacht coming from Scotland or Northern Ireland.

Less crowded with fishing boats than formerly, the harbour has space to accommodate some visiting yachts. It is also the western terminus of the ferry from Magilligan Point.

Greencastle is home to the National Fisheries school and the Inishowen Maritime Museum and Planetarium.

Greencastle takes its name from the castle, built in 1305 by Richard de Burgo Earl of Ulster to guard the entrance to Lough Foyle.

Foyle Marina Contact: Capt Bill McCann Tel: 028 71 860 555 Email: info@londonderryport.com Website: www.londonderryport.com VHF: Ch14 (24H)



Greencastle Harbour (Donegal County Council) Harbour Master: Frank McDermott Tel: +353 (0) 868 166151 Website: www.donegalcoco.ie





Lough Swilly Marina is a partially completed marina currently able to provide safe berthing for 200 boats, located between Inch Island and Fahan Hill in secure and sheltered waters. Visiting yachts are welcome.

The marina is in Fahan Creek on the south east side of Lough Swilly and is the main centre of sailing in the Lough, home to Lough Swilly Yacht

Club and the largest community of yachts in Donegal. It is a ten minute drive from the City of Derry. Fahan owes its origins to a 6th-century monastery, and the very well-preserved 8thcentury St Mura's cross-slab is within a walled graveyard.

Buncrana, the second biggest town in Donegal is some 10km to the north, and can provide most supplies. Lough Swilly Marina Tel: +353 (0) 7493 60008 Mobile: +353 (0) 8610 82111 Email: info@loughswillymarina.com Website: www.loughswillymarina.com VHF: Ch16 + Ch6, 8, 72, 77



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Rathmullan is a delightful historic village on the west shore of Lough Swilly.

It's from here in 1607 that the Ulster chieftains O'Neill and O'Donnell fled to exile in the 'Flight of the Earls'. The event is commemorated by a museum in Rathmullan, which was also later the centre of British naval presence in Lough Swilly,

one of the four Treaty Ports of 1921, finally relinguished in 1938.

The battery situated near the pier was built to defend Lough Swilly from possible invasion during the Napoleonic Wars. Today it houses the heritage centre.

Otway Golf Club is 3 miles away, a 9 hole course ideal for the holiday golfer. There is an active sailing school, and an equestrian centre.

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Burtonport has the principal harbour on the west coast of Donegal and is the ferry port for Aranmore. It is an ideal base for exploring the islands and sounds of the Rosses, the stunningly scenic granite coast of Ireland's northwestern extremity.

Nearby Aranmore offers excellent walking around its coast, and to the lighthouse at Rinrawros Point. Burtonport and the small islands along this coast are steeped in history. An 18th-century herring fishing station was set up here, and although it lasted only 14 years, many of the buildings survive and have been renovated. A French military force led by Napper Tandy landed on nearby Rutland Island in a failed attempt to assist rebels during the 1798 rebellion.

Killybegs is Ireland's largest fishing port, with a large pelagic fleet active mostly in winter that lands the largest tonnage in the British Isles. The fine natural harbour, at the tip of a deep fjord-like inlet, makes it one of the safest, most sheltered, deep-water harbours on the Irish coast.

Killybegs welcomes yachts and has visitors' moorings. There are plans to build a marina for local boatowners and visitors, but no date for construction of this development is available. Meanwhile, there are 3 visitor moorings east of the fish quay, or yachts can lie at the town pier with the small fishing boats. Technical services, supplies of all sorts, and transport connections are all good.

**Killybegs Harbour** (Dept of Agriculture, Fisheries and the Marine) Tel: +353(0) 7497 31032 Email: info@killybegsharbour.ie VHF: Ch14 (24)



Sligo has a 60m pontoon, with 2m depth 5 alongside at lowest tides, right in the middle of town and convenient for shops and supermarkets, pubs and restaurants. The river channel to the town is well marked and lit, and navigable at all states of the tide. 3 The pontoon has a security gate. Sligo is a lively county town, well served by public transport and an ideal base from which P to explore Yeats Country, the homeland of × Ireland's greatest poet. Yachtsmen are welcome at the City Hotel, close @ to the harbour, for showers etc.

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HE CLYDE Estuary's numerous islands, many small towns and sheltered anchorages offer an attractive and safe place to sail, but the Clyde is also important as a base for wider cruising activity. The remainder of Scotland's west coast is accessible through the Crinan Canal, as is the east coast and Scandinavia via the Forth & Clyde and Caledonian Canals. Ireland and the northern Irish Sea is approximately a day's sail away.

Sailing in the Firth of Clyde splits into four areas, enabling the sailor to find water that is suited to his boat, level of experience, the weather, and crew ability. The east shore has the majority of the large marinas used for permanent berthing, good transport links and easy access from centres of population. The western areas generally offer destinations; places where sailors wish to visit, and they vary from secluded anchorages to harbours with pontoons and other village amenities.

Upstream the River Clyde and its sea lochs are well suited to powered craft and smaller sailing yachts, with Glasgow City again turning its face to the river and seeking to attract more activity on the water. Berthing facilities which now exist close to Glasgow City Centre will enable a cruising yacht to visit for a few days, or more.

To the south is the North Channel and the seaways from Ireland, England and Wales. For many visiting cruising folk this is the routeway to Scottish cruising. With good havens on the mainland coast, and the grandeur of Ailsa Craig and Arran on the horizon, it is a splendid introduction to cruising in Scottish waters.

Cruising on the Clyde has many advantages over land based touring, where, unless a ferry can be taken, long journeys around the heads of the lochs take up much of the time. On a yacht you can hope for a more direct line. This is a great source of satisfaction in itself and it soon becomes apparent why this region became so highly developed for industry and tourism long before road or rail travel was practicable.

The Clyde offers a wide variety of sailing areas, ranging from long, narrow lochs extending north into the hills to the more open waters surrounding Arran in the south, with gentler passages around the Isle of Bute and the Cumbraes in between. Navigation is straightforward and hazards are well marked. Tidal streams are rarely significant and the shelter is such that in all but the most extreme weather conditions it is usually possible to get some sailing, an important consideration for weekend sailors.

Cruising opportunities within the Firth are boundless and planning a two week cruise with a different anchorage every night is a simple matter. Perhaps the best advice is to allow extra time over and above basic itinerary in case of poor weather or spontaneous stopovers at

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attractive places, and diversions to others. There is nothing worse than to be driven by a timetable that turns a holiday into a logistics exercise!

 Upper Loch Fyne is becoming more popular at they're expecting a busy season at Strachur thanks to a new 'berth alongside' pontoon there is 2.2m depth on the outer end side berths at low spring tide. (about 1m where the lifebelt stands at low spring tide)

The two visitors moorings are north of the pontoon, a large red float and a yellow can, both with blue pick up buoys.

These are fit for ten tonne craft in all weather conditions, but in calm weather by arrangement a berth can also be had on the pontoon.

Overnight berthing/mooring is  $\pm 10.00$ , and there is an honesty box for payment at the shore end of the pontoon.

The Bay is exposed to the longest fetch in South West and West South West winds, and can be very rough in those conditions.

Although open to West winds through to North, generally wave height is more limited by a shorter fetch.

It is very sheltered from winds between South and East, and moderately so from North East to North.

In the latter conditions permission may be given to dock overnight on the pontoon.





Rhu Marina.



Strachur Bay.



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# **Get The Kids Ashore!**

#### Cruising with a young family determines its own style of itinerary with lots of energy sapping opportunities ashore. That's the advice of David Cockburn, general manager of Gael Force Group's Marine Centre in Hillington Glasgow.

IRISH family spent their first cruise in the Firth of Clyde and surrounding area and loved it. Not surprising, as this is some of the best cruising in Europe, never mind the UK.

However, they were disappointed at the lack of facilities for children and expressed a desire to even find a play park somewhere.

My children are aged 7 and 11 and I moved my own boat to the Clyde a few seasons ago. She is a modern classic, fully refitted Golden Shamrock, but of course that still means we don't enjoy the comfort or conveniences of a modern yacht.

We therefore choose to do our cruising in short stints seeking out the moorings whereby the children can go and get their energy out or where there is something to do when the weather isn't so nice.

The Clyde abounds with such opportunities and here are some of our favourites.

**Arran - Lamlash:** Free visitor moorings and really good enclosed play park set on the beachfront. Selection of good family friendly pubs.

**Arran - Brodick:** Free moorings, beach, loads of shops, kids play park, hire bikes and cycle a couple of miles to visit the castle.

**Millport:** Free moorings, great beach, play park, bike hire, shops/pubs and the famous crocodile rock (painted rock).

**Largs Marina**: Shorefront walkway from marina to Largs centre and all that a seaside town offers including play park and wide grassy area's for kite flying etc. Ice cream from world famous Nardini's in an art deco listed building.

**Bute - Rothesay:** Opened up new inner harbour where you are right in the centre of the town and front of putting greens etc. The Zavaroni family come from here (remember Lena the singer?) and my kids always want one of their famous rainbow ice creams. There's a castle and moat worth a visit (one minutes walk from harbour) and bus tours of the island to include the main castle which has an adventure play park.

Great place to get holed up in bad weather. Don't get a berth in the outer harbour as the wake from the ferry will make you rock and roll!

**Bute Marina**: Opened up next door in Port Bannatyne. Less here than main town, but there is a play park opposite the marina.

**Kames/Colintraive/Tighnabruaich:** Hotels provide free moorings if you give them a wee bit custom. Endless fun on the beach for the kids and the hotels offer showers to visiting yachties. Play park at Kames.

**Tarbert:** New visitor pontoons are big and wide and outdoor 'gym' park adjacent to marina is great fun for the kids and kite flying. Lots of shops, play park to be found via backstreets and ruined castle walk and is free. Fair plus showground attraction happens each year in July.

**Portavadie Marina:** Improved facilities for children.

Holy Loch Marina: Short bus/taxi ride into seaside resort.

**Kip Marina:** Kids play park at Chartroom Restaurant or cross the walkway flyover and turn left towards supermarket. Another play park is just a few minutes walk.

**Rhu Marina:** Adjacent to Helensburgh and all that a seaside/seafront town offers. Pick up the bus on the way back if the wee ones run out of steam.

All of the mainland marinas (including Troon) have easy access to the adjacent train line into Glasgow or going south to Ayr. Lots to do if the weather turns too bad to be on the water.

Having said that, the area is well sheltered and its possible to get around in all but the worst conditions.

The variety of closely linked stopovers though



means its easy to avoid putting the family through a long and miserable journey in bad weather.

If they are crossing from Ireland and decide to stop at Campbeltown to go up west side of Arran the next stop is;

**Lochranza:** Free moorings, friendly pub, meat and groceries only from butcher (sole shop).

Lochranza castle is free to enter and view, has a grassy area around for kids to play on, and a resident deer that's free to roam in order to keep the grass down! My kids constantly rib the wife who, on our first visit, declared that the dog on the shoreline had very long legs, the 'bins' of course revealed the truth.

It's quite feasible to get around the entire Clyde without forking out for marina fees until you decide you need water and electricity.

For the full range of options check out your 'Welcome Anchorages'.

Other benefit for families in the Clyde is no significant tidal streams. This means that you are not bound to move at an unearthly hour as is sometimes necessary in the Western Isles.

Sheltered cruising, fantastic scenery, lots of free moorings with places ashore to keep them happy, no worries about fighting the tides, what better place to cruise with kids!!





#### **CLYDE - EAST SHORE**



The historic harbour of Portpatrick is now owned The Portpatrick Trust and operated by The Portpatrick Trust, a charity, Tel: 07565 102096 on behalf of the community.

There are no pontoon berths. Bring long warps, moor up to the harbour walls and raft out sociably on the east and north walls of the inner harbour, just a short walk from the excellent

hotels, bars and restaurants that Portpatrick offers. The entrance is now once more all tide for most

small vessels, the approach channel having been dredged to 2 metres below chart datum by the RNLI for construction of the new lifeboat berth. Beware of severe motion in the harbour during SW gales.





Stranraer's new pontoon berths are popular with Stranraer Harbour (Dumfries & Galloway visiting cruising sailors. The new marina building is situated beside the access bridge and has toilets, showers and the harbour master's office. The town offers a good range of shops and visitor attractions, such as the museum and the Castle of St. John where the view from the roof is magnificent. Transport connections are good for crew changes. Stranraer is a great centre for the serious walker

and is skirted by the Southern Upland Way, or the visitor can enjoy 18 holes of golf at

Creachmore. Loch Ryan Sailing Club is located at Wig Bay, a little north of the town.

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This traditional harbour is used by a mixture of fishing and pleasure vessels. Visitors raft on pontoons or the wooden screen jetty along with local yachts.

The town has a good range of shops, pubs, restaurants etc, and a rail connection to Glasgow and Stranraer.

It is recommended that visitors call the mobile number prior to arrival.

Harbour channel depth is usually 1m plus chart datum: ie 3m of water at half tide, and is not usually dredged to 2.6 metres + chart datum as shown on charts.

Entrance not recommended 2 hours either side of low water when there is possibly less than 2 metres at the bar. Girvan Harbour (South Ayrshire Council) Tel: 01465 713648/07768 993239 Email: roderickleitch@btinternet.com Website: none. VHF: Channel 12 (office hours)

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The harbour is not manned full time but the Duty Harbourmaster can be contacted on the numbers provided.

The pontoons have limited visitor space available for day visits and overnight stops. Pay at Ship Inn. Moorings are for resident boats only. The charted depth at the entrance bar varies seasonally and annually, care should be taken in on-shore winds in excess of F4.

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Clyde Marina was developed in a sheltered deep water traditional harbour and now provides 285 full service pontoon berths. Minimum draft at low water is 4.5m. The boatyard has all facilities and a 50 ton hoist, plus special winter storage rates and we supply the steel cradles!

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Fairlie Quay is starting the development process to become a full service marina and leisure craft service centre, and currently boasts the largest marine hoist on the Clyde with lifting capacity of 80 tons.

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Located at the village of Fairlie in North Ayrshire, VHF: Ch 80 (available 0800/1700) Fairlie Quay Marina is within 30 minutes of Prestwick and Glasgow airports. Fairlie also provides the facilities of post office, ATM, general stores, B&B, train station and bus connections. All these factors combine to make Fairlie Quay Marina an outstanding base for cruising the beautiful Scottish west coast or to store your boat safely during the winter months. There are 24 fully serviced moorings, and diesel and gas sales 24 hours.

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The Marina is within easy reach of Greenock's cinema, pool, ice rink and shops and also benefits from two large supermarkets nearby (Tesco and Morrisons).

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The Clydebank pontoon is at Queens Quay, immediately in front of Clydebank College, the Titan Enterprise Pavilion and the Titan Crane's visitor centre (call 0141 951 3420 for opening times).

This new pontoon ensures easy shore access for visiting craft not just to these adjacent facilities but also to the centre of Clydebank with its railway and bus stations, and Clyde shopping centre nearby.

It also provides a docking point for summer sightseeing cruises and potential waterbus services from Glasgow and Renfrew as well as some overnight mooring facilities for small private craft. Use of the pontoon is on a 'first come first served' basis and Clydebuilt Re-built should be contacted when planning to visit.

Kelvin Harbour, beside the Riverside Museum and WC convenient for Glasgow's West End attractions, provides secure berthing and a public slipway, managed by the Tall Ship. X

For berthing arrangements at Govan, Yorkhill Quay, Plantation Quay, Broomielaw and Central pontoons, check with Glasgow City Council. (Bookings Mon-Fri only). Millennium Bridge is operated by Glasgow Science Centre (0141 420 5030. Requires 1 hour's notice 0900-1700; 3 hours 1700-0900). Beyond Millennium Bridge, contact SECC 3 days in advance (0141 275 6270) for access to their pontoon outside the Crowne Plaza Hotel. Bell's Bridge is operated by Silvers Marine (01463 831222) Minimum 2 hour's notice and bridge cannot be opened in wind speeds of 17knts or more.

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Garelochhead is a small village at the end of the Contact: The Anchor Inn Gareloch which has a pub, café, Chinese and Indian takeaways, pharmacy, several shops and a Email: theanchorinn@live.co.uk post office. WC & showers at Inn. There are walks ashore and the Three Lochs Way goes through the upper part of the village. There is a train station and a half hourly bus service to Helensburgh. All the facilities are a short walk from the shore on the east side of the loch. Although a lot of sailors are apprehensive about a Faslane Naval Base there is nothing to fear so long as you are within 150 yards of the west side of the loch, ie west of the prohibited area marked on all charts. Once north of the naval base head across to the east side of the loch and the visitor moorings are located very close to the shore on the east side.

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and health club offering swimming, sauna, and gymnasium facilities.

There are two restaurants, bars, and shops within five minutes walk. Gas is available (at PO), and water and public toilets are situated in the village.

Diesel and water can be obtained from Lochgoil Cruisers, across the loch.

Lochgoilhead Jetty Trust Tel Secretary: 01560 480965 Tel Jetty: 01301 703432 Email: cuthbertson367@btinternet.com Website: www.lochgoil.co.uk

**CLYDE - COWAL** 





Yachts and other boats up to 15 tonnes visiting Carrick Castle can use the 2 blue visitors' mooring buoys with yellow pick-up buoys with strops, one cable north of the castle, which are serviced annually.

The visitor's mooring charge is £10 per day/ night that can be paid for by using PayPal at www.pay-mooring.co.uk. There is a free Wi-Fi available at the moorings or if you have no computer on board pay within 14 days of use from home, or use the CCBC box by the Carrick Castle notice board behind the castle. There is lots of information on the Carrick Castle

Boat Club website, including directions for and photographs of eight local walks, and a lot more besides. You can access this information by Wi-Fi from your boat.

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Holy Loch Marina is a family run business, at the gateway to the Loch Lomond and Trossachs National Park, on the Cowal Peninsula, where landscape meets seascape.

The marina offers ample facilities for yachts and boats and their crew, both at the marina and nearby.

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The Colintraive Hotel welcomes all sailors to its moorings, and is open all year providing some of the best food and local produce in the area. The restaurant is elegant, the bar is cosy with a log fire, and sells real ale and good malts. Bar meals and restaurant meals are available every day for lunch and dinner, and feature fresh produce such as local langoustines, hand dived scallops, Isle of Bute lamb and local venison. The hotel is very popular and therefore it is best to book a table in advance. The village shop next door sells home baked

The village shop next door sells home baked bread, fresh dairy products, and newspapers, to name but a few. A shower room is available. Colintraive Hotel & Village Shop Tel: 01700 841207 Contact: Patricia Watt Email: enquiries@colintraivehotel.com Website www.colintraivehotel.com





Tighnabruaich has a bistro, a hotel and bar, provisions store, post office, arts and crafts gallery, bank and a café. There is a dinghy landing area beside the RNLI boathouse. Just south of the village The Royal An Lochan, now under new ownership, provides 15 moorings for patrons and a dinghy landing place opposite the hotel. Its restaurants offer fresh seafood and game, fine wines, and the lively Shinty Bar is a popular watering hole. Burnside Bistro is licensed, has bedrooms, and also offers two visitor moorings immediately off the village for the use of clients. The Royal An Lochan Tel: 01700 811239 Email: info@theroyalanlochan.co.uk Website: www.theroyalanlochan.co.uk Burnside Bistro Tel: 01700 800739 Email: info@burnsidebistro.co.uk Website: www.burnsidebistro.co.uk General Information: www.kylesofbute.com



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The owners serve good honest food and drink, with an emphasis on local seafood and game. The nine bedrooms have stunning views of the Kyles. There is a gentle beach for landing outside the hotel, where you can safely leave your dinghy whilst enjoying a meal and a few drinks whilst overlooking your boat on one of the visitor moorings.

Two miles south at Carry Point, Carry Farm is the home of Tighnabruaich Sailing School, and operates a weekend tearoom and craft shop. The anchorage is sheltered, and water, showers etc are available.

The Kames Hotel Tel: 01700 811489 Email: contact@kames-hotel.com Website: www.kames-hotel.com





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#### **CLYDE - COWAL**

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Otter Ferry is located on the East Shore of Loch Fyne, just north of Otter Spit. The Oystercatcher is a pub and restaurant right on the beach with an amazing beer garden

overlooking the visitor moorings and pontoon. We have a professional chef proprietor and a superb supply of fresh seafood and other locally sourced produce including real ales. A good pontoon offers easy access by tender or small boat at all states of the tide. There are 15 swinging moorings with free wireless internet access.

The Oystercatcher Tel: 01700 821229 Email: tony@theoystercatcher.co.uk Website: www.theoystercatcher.co.uk



**STRACHUR - CREGGAN'S POINT** 



The famous Creggans Inn is an award winning family run hotel at Strachur on the east shore of Loch Fyne.

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The hotel boasts two dining options; MacPhunn's Bar & Restaurant where you can enjoy an extensive bistro style menu which features the freshest locally sourced produce, and for an extra special dining experience, the award winning 2AA Rosette Loch Fyne dining room is a must! The very best seasonal ingredients are carefully chosen and presented with precision and flair on a daily changing table d'hote menu. Booking for meals advised. The charming MacPhunn's bar is well stocked with Fyne Ales, quality wines and a great range of malt whiskies.

The Creggans Inn Tel: 01369 860 279 Email: info@creggans-inn.co.uk Website: www.creggans-inn.co.uk



#### **STRACHUR BAY**



The local part time post office, and full time licenced shop for provisions, and tearoom, 5 minutes walk from the pontoon.

Strachur Filling Station for petrol or diesel (DERV only at present) and a limited range of gas supplies. (15mins)

The Clachan Bar, haunted by a fair few of the "moorings guys." (15mins)

The ever popular up market Creggans Inn, which also has a public bar. (10mins)

The polyethylene pontoon was funded mainly under the "Sail West" programme, and is 2.2m wide x 90m long. Importantly 25m at the outer end can accomodate up to six substantial boats in good weather, half as much with the wind up the loch. You will find toilet and shower facilities in the shop, hotel, bar and filling station.

Strachur Bay Strachur Bay Moorings Association Tel: 01369 860397 Mobile: 07810 710112 Email: ianarnold1@btinternet.com Web: www.strachurbaymooringsassociation.org









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Cumbrae is renowned for cycling and has several cycle hire shops. Other activities are an 18 hole golf course, crazy golf, football pitches, fly and sea fishing and a network of walking paths.

The Cathedral of the Isles of the Scottish Episcopal is the smallest cathedral in the British Isles. The University Marine Biological Station has a small museum and aquarium. Garrison House in the centre of town was the Barracks Captain's mansion, then the home of the Earl of Glasgow, and is currently being renovated.

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For pontoon and mooring availability or advice call Bute Berthing Company.

Port Bannatyne Marina is in Kames Bay, three

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**CLYDE - ISLANDS** 



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The Lochranza anchorage is set in scenic

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by a breakwater and accessible at all tides - a port of call not to be missed, and an ideal destination for a weekend or overnight stay. Shore facilities include toilets and showers, lifting and winter storage, and all boat repairs. The village of Port Bannatyne has a post office with essential groceries and coffees 'to die for'. Pubs and restaurants offer local seafood, Bute beef and lamb, and the Russian Tavern has an award for real ale. Kames Bay is ideally situated for walking or cycling

and has a golf course within walking distance. There are frequent buses to Rothesay and Ettrick Bay, ideal for a walk and a visit to the beach side restaurant.

surroundings at the centre of the Clyde's cruising area.

Local Organisation: Lochranza and Catacol Sea Society cic Julia V Graham Secretary Tel (landline): 01770 830247 Tel (mobile): 07766 736181 Email: julia74@btinternet.com Website: www.arran.uk.com/lochranza/pontoon

#### **CLYDE - ISLANDS**



- Brodick is a popular holiday destination with an impressive backdrop of mountains dominated by Cir Mhor and Goatfell.
- This village has the widest range of facilities on the island: supermarkets, banks, cafes, shops, hotels and visitor centres. There is a good
- variety of eating places and opportunities to sample and buy 'Taste of Arran' produce. An 18 hole golf course, public swimming pool, and attractive sports and adventure activities all complement this fine destination for walkers and nature lovers.

Nearby, Glen Rosa and the imposing Brodick Castle and Gardens are worth a visit. Arran Heritage Museum explains the social history, archaeology and geology of the island. Contact organisation: North Ayrshire Council Tel: 01294 225193 Email: kdon@north-ayrshire.gov.uk Website: www.setsail-northayrshire.co.uk VHF: Ferry pier only.









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Holy Isle Ferry now operate up to 25 visitor moorings and these are charged at £10 per night payable ashore at the Ferry Office at Lamlash Pier. To book contact Jim Blakey by VHF Channel 37 (M1) or by mobile 07970 771960 during the day and on 01770 700463 outside ferry hours. Lamlash offers a selection of food outlets from home cooking at the Old Pier Tearoom to pub grub and hotel dining. The Old Pier Tearoom also has showers and the village Co-op Welcome store is open seven days a week. Lamlash has an 18 hole golf course which makes visitors welcome at very reasonable rates.

Campbeltown is an excellent stopping off point for those heading round the Mull, crossing to Ireland or cruising into the Clyde. It offers a wide range of facilities for visiting yachts and the visitors' pontoon is adjacent to The Royal Hotel, the town centre, with easy access to shops, supermarkets, hotels, bars, cafes, restaurants and tourist information. The town also has a cinema, museum, heritage centre and recently opened sports facility with swimming pool, sauna, gym, showers etc. Other local attractions include distillery tours, the Whisky Shop, golf courses at Machrihanish and Dunaverty, and several sandy beaches. Showers are available at the Aqualibrium Leisure Centre, west of the pontoons.

Moorings Contact: Holy Isle Ferry Mob (ferry hours): 07970 771960 Evening: 01770 700463 VHF: 37 (M1)



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CARRADALE

Other local attractions include distillery tours, the Whisky Shop, golf courses at Machrihanish and Dunaverty, and several sandy beaches. Showers are available at the Aqualibrium Leisure Centre, west of the pontoons. Carradale offers four visitor moorings immediately north of the harbour. The village has three excellent hotels with restaurant facilities, a shop, bakery and a post office. Carradale Golf Club has clubs and trolleys available to hire and the Carradale Hotel always welcomes visiting yachtsmen providing free Wi-Fi as well as showers and laundry facilities. The harbour quay is used by boats from the nearby fish farm but laying alongside can be arranged locally or else anchor to the north of the harbour in Port na Cuile.

Carradale Bay and Torrisdale Bay around the point are also good anchorages within easy walking distance and bike hire is available at Carradale Bikes and Buggies on 01583 431296. New slipway in the harbour being built for 2015.

Contact: Carradale Hotel Tel: 01583 431223 Email: info@carradaleharbour.co.uk Website: www.carradaleharbour.co.uk



#### **CLYDE - KINTYRE**









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Tarbert Harbour is a beautiful naturally sheltered Harbour that sits on the West Coast of Scotland. Combining Leisure boats with Commercial, the Harbour sits at the centre of this picturesque Traditional Fishing Village.

The Harbour is easily accessed at all stages of tide, there are 160 finger berths, 600mtrs of pontoon and accommodation for 120 visitor berths.

Visiting boats have access to a free 24 hour shower block, free wifi and free electricity. There is also a chandlery, laundry, diesel and gas.

The Harbour has a large recreation and amenity area, during the summer this is ideal for gatherings and musters. There is an outdoor gym, table tennis, boules and attractive Astro turf area. Also picnic benches and bbgs making an ideal spot for families to relax and socialise. (See the office for large outdoor garden games)

variety of places to eat, drink and shop. Tarbert Castle overlooks the village. 160 fully serviced finger berths and 600m of parallel pontoon berthing enables Tarbert to offer over 120 visitor berths and resident berthing. A 24 hour free toilet and shower facility is available. Group visits are welcome. Group and larger vessels (over 50ft) can reserve berths in advance. Berthing fees are levied on a daily, weekly or monthly basis. Credit card payments are accepted. There is plenty to see and do in

the area and the harbour's own amenity area provides picnic tables and seating, barbecues, a boules area and an outdoor fitness gym. Please telephone the Harbour Office on 01880 820344 for any advice on your visit to Tarbert.

The Crinan Canal starts near the pretty and bustling town of Ardrishaig, which is situated on the beautiful shores of Loch Fyne.

The canal is one of Scotland's picturesque waterways, known to sailors the world over for its spectacular surrounding countryside and friendly lock keepers.

The Canal Office is situated in Pier Square, a few yards from the sea-lock, from where the main street stretches north.

Ardrishaig offers various places to eat and drink, and shops include a Co-op grocery store and a post office. There is lots to see and do in the area. More information can be obtained, and a Skipper's Guide downloaded, by visiting the Scottish Canals website or by contacting the Canal Office, see above.

Tarbert is a picturesque fishing village with a wide Contact: Tarbert (Loch Fyne) Harbour Authority Depth (LW): 3.5m Tel: 01880 820344 Website: www.tarbertharbour.co.uk Email: info@tarbertharbour.co.uk VHF: Ch 14 (office hours)



Contact: Scottish Canals Tel: Ardrishaig Sea Lock 01546 602458 (inc weekends in season) Canal Office (Mon-Fri: 01546 603210 Website: www.scottishcanals.co.uk Email: enquiries@scottishcanals.co.uk VHF: Ch74 (16) (canal opening hours)



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During high season Tarbert can offer Kayaking, RIB Tours and Boat Charters and is popular with painters, photographers and walkers. Take a walk around the beautiful village shops and galleries, or to white shore or shell beach For more scenic views walk up to the Castle or part of the Kintyre way.

By road the A83 links local villages and major cities and regular links to ferry ports if you fancy a spot of island hoping. Tarbert is the perfect destination to stop off before or after passage through the Crinan Canal.

Tarbert produces some of the best fresh local seafood and plays host to 11 festivals a year, the friendly atmosphere from the locals makes it an exceptional experience





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Fortunately the way had been blazed for centuries by coastal traders, warships and fishermen who threaded their way among the



islands, which was easier than trekking over moorland tracks amongst possibly hostile natives! These were the west highland highways since man first arrived many millennia ago, for even remote St Kilda had been home to humans for more than 4,000 years. The Scotti crossed the North Channel from Ulster to Kintyre to found the Kingdom of Dalriada in late Roman times and displace or

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Tayvallich has a shop, post office and coffee shop, with toilets and a shower for visiting yachtsmen and women. The inn is popular for a good meal.

Tayvallich Bay is known as a safe and picturesque anchorage for visiting yachts and motor cruisers.

Crinan is one of the west coast's best known havens, thanks to the popularity of the Crinan Canal as a short cut from the west coast to the Clyde. The sea-lock is open seven days in high season. Apart from the total shelter offered by the basin and a good anchorage outside, Crinan has a hotel with a bar and coffee shop, and a boatyard offering the full range of boating services from repairs to moorings to fuel, chandlery and more. The area abounds in interesting walks, either along the canal, or on the forestry trails to the south. More information can be obtained, and a Skipper's Guide downloaded, by visiting the Scottish Canals website, or by contacting the Canal Office, see above. There are 39 long term berths at Bellanoch Basin, with shore facilities.

Moorings etc: Tayvallich Bay Association Website: www.tayvallich.com Shop/coffee shop: 01546 870281 Tayvallich Inn: 01546 870282 Website: www.tayvallich-inn.com

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Caledonian Canals leading to the Northern Isles and Scandinavia, or Loch Fyne and the Firth of Clyde. There is a village store and a pub with restaurant.

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At the head of the loch, Melfort Pier & Harbour offers summer swinging moorings in a protected Tel: 01852 200333 bay at £600 for six months, overnight and shorter stays available, for craft up to 50ft/15 metres. Free Wi-Fi, shower room, laundry, telephone, restaurant. Small private harbour for craft up to 20ft. There are shoreside south facing lochside houses, each with sauna, spabath, Wi-Fi, digital

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TV, log fires, and pets are welcome. Seven of the houses are designed for disabled Cat 2. Take a look at the website for more information. Open seven days a week, all year.

You can eat at the Shower of Herring restaurant in Melfort Village, which is an 800m walk away. Reservations: 01852 200345.

Melfort Pier & Harbour Email: melharbour@aol.com Website: www.mellowmelfort.com





The Oyster Bar in Ellenabeich and the Puffer Bar on the island both serve good food.

The island has an interesting history of slate working, which is well described in the islands small museum.

There are walks around the abandoned slate quarries, and a stroll to the top of the 122ft hill offers unrivalled views of the Firth of Lorn to the north and the many islands to the south. The shoreline offers the opportunity for beachcombing or soaking up the fresh Atlantic air. Pontoon for RIBs (small charge payable).

Eilean Eisdeal (Community Trust) Website: www.easdale.org Puffer Bar & Restaurant: 01852 300022 Oyster Bar & Restaurant: 01852 300121



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Ardoran Marine with 40 swing moorings is the only boatyard in Loch Feochan, the entrance to which is located near the south end of the Sound of Kerrera.

The Barn Bar restaurant and pub is a couple of miles away.

Loch Feochan is easily within an hour by yacht from the Sound of Mull, Oban and Sound of Luing. There is one blue visitor mooring off pontoon, letting moorings for up to 14m yachts, service pontoon with water, diesel and gas, and lift out facilities to 12 tonnes. There are also three letting chalets overlooking the moorings. First time visitors are advised to navigate the entrance channel close to high water.

Ardoran Marine Tel: 01631 566123 Mob: 07918 601549 Email: colin@ardoran.co.uk Website: www.ardoran.co.uk





# HEATHER ISLAND, KERRERA SOUND

Enjoy a peaceful setting with superb views WC across the bay to Oban on one of five visitor . Alter mooring buoys situated behind Heather Island, Kerrera Sound: three yellow 15 tonne, one D grey 20 tonne, one orange 50 tonne. £10 per × night payable at honesty box on shore or at Ardentrive Farm where there are shower and toilet facilities. The Farm also have their own meat and eggs for sale. Nearby is a small restaurant serving Scott's award winning oysters and fresh locally sourced seafood and produce, bookings are advisable 07840 650 669, www. obanseafoodrestaurant.co.uk. Kerrera has an interesting history and is very popular with walkers.

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Ardentrive Farm Tel: 01631 570938 Email: david@ardentrive.fsnet.co.uk Website: www.ardentrive.com





Oban Bay Community Berthing operates 16 visitor moorings north of Oban Sailing Club, SE of the S Sgeir Rathaid buoy, and manages the adjacent small short stay landing stage – fees payable. OBCB provides an all-tides landing stage; water; rubbish disposal; and showers and toilets when the sailing club is open (only on race nights). Oban offers the major facilities sailing visitors need: shops, chandlery, restaurants, banks, transport links, marine engineers, fuel – all a short walk from the landing stage. Moorings are available on a first come first served basis -£75 week, £15 night, £5 for up to four hours before 1600hrs.

Deposit payments directly into the yellow honesty box on the landing stage. WiFi available before next season. Oban Bay Community Berthing Tel: 07798 703223 Website: www.obanbayberthing.co.uk Visitor moorings: 3 rows for 10m, 12m and 14m vessel size from the shore.



# www.obanmarina.com 01631 565333



With access at all tides, our 100 pontoons and 30 moorings have a minimum depth of 10m. We offer a diesel fuel berth, gas and small chandlery, our own spring water, free wifi and a shower block/laundry. The popular Waypoint Bar & Seafood Restaurant is open from May to September.

Our sheltered location means your boat is safe & pollution-free, and gives you the benefit of a bustling market town with the tranquility of rural island life. Complimentary ferries run hourly in the season to Oban where all major facilities including restaurants, banks, supermarkets and transport links are available.

### Now available

Luxury 4-bedroom holiday cottage overlooking the marina. Free berthing for boats up to 7m.

Fully refurbished in 2014, the modern bungalow sleeps up to 8 adults in comfort.

www.spanglefish.com/TheBoatHouse

# ARGYLL WEST COAST

### **OBAN MARINA**



Oban Marina is situated on the Isle of Kerrera. It is a popular marina offering access at all tides. A complimentary shuttle service runs hourly to Oban where all major facilities are available. With a brand new shower block and laundry for

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2015, this friendly small marina offers visitors a warm welcome. No need to book for a short stav.

Water is from a natural spring and limited in dry weather, so visitors are asked to conserve use. Washing boats is strictly forbidden.

The Waypoint Bar & Grill is open daily from May to September serving fresh local seafood produce.

Email: info@obanmarina.com Website: www.obanmarina.com VHF: Ch80

Oban Marina Tel: 01631 565333





Dunstaffnage Marina has 150 fully serviced berths for yachts or motor vessels up to 25m LOA. Here at Dunstaffnage there's a good link to the bus and rail network; if you need to leave your boat with complete confidence look no further.

Visitor attractions in the area include The Sealife Centre, Taynuilt Iron Furnace, Inverawe Smokery and Cruachan Power Station (the Hollow

Mountain). Our nearest shop has a full range of D goods on sale.

Oban is only two miles south and can be reached hourly by bus or anytime by taxi, where you'll find the usual town retail outlets. The famous Wide Mouthed Frog Restaurant, bar and hotel are open throughout the year, from breakfast till late.

Dunstaffnage Marina Tel: 08456 404050 Email: info@dunstaffnagemarina.com Website: www.dunstaffnagemarina.co.uk VHF: 37 (M1) 0830-2000



Manor House Hotel & Restaurant

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### **BAR LUNCHES** SERVED DAILY

On the harbour Gallanach Road · Oban · 01631 562087

Just South of the Lighthouse Board Lat 56° 24.7 Lon 5° 29.0 Mooring MH



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Short Stay

Car Park &

Dinghy Storage

Main Road

Pontoon

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Eriska is a 300 acre private island and home to the 5 star Isle of Eriska Hotel, which is open for ₽ dinner to visiting yachtsmen. There are three moorings with a pier for access and transport to the hotel can be arranged by telephone. Yacht crews mooring at Eriska are welcome to

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use the following facilities: Dine in the main hotel between 7.30pm and 9.00pm each evening, £44 per person (may change for 2013).

Have complimentary showers in our Spa before 7.30pm if having dinner at the hotel. Enjoy ESPA Spa treatments.

Play the 9 hole golf course and use the driving range.

Enjoy lunch if playing golf, using the driving range or spending over £50 per person in the Spa.

Barcaldine Marine, at the Marine Resource Centre at Barcaldine, provides cruising yacht facilities which include 80 swinging moorings, and a pontoon for storing and crew access. Shore facilities include toilets and showers, waterside car parking, and secure dinghy and outboard storage. Water is available alongside the pontoon.

Loch Creran is one of the most accessible locations on the coast. It is just under 100 miles from Glasgow, 120 from Edinburgh, and less than 200 from Carlisle. Cross the Connel Bridge as you approach Oban, and Barcaldine is six miles away. This is an excellent base for west coast cruising, which has undercover winter storage for around 100 craft, and a variety of commercial marine services.

Isle of Eriska Hotel Tel: 01631 720371 Email: office@eriska-hotel.co.uk Website: www.eriska-hotel.co.uk



**Barcaldine Marine** Tel: 01631 720291/07767 380235 Email: moorings@barcaldinemarine.co.uk Website: www.barcaldinemarine.co.uk







Dining at The Boathouse Restaurant is a must for those sailing the West Coast of Scotland. Located on the Kingairloch Estate at the head of Loch a'Choire it is one of the most picturesque places to moor up or drop anchor.

Menus feature vension from the hills of Kingairloch, seafood from local waters plus vegetables, salads and fruit grown in the estate's walled garden.

Visit the website for sample menus and to find out more about the estate.

To avoid disappointment, please book ahead.

**Opening Times** 

April - October Thursday - Saturday 11am - 9pm Sunday 11am - 3pm

Reservations 01967 411 232 info@kingairloch.co.uk www.kingairloch.co.uk

Six free visitor moorings 56°36.971N 05°30.947W





• 70 MOORINGS FOR **RESIDENT AND VISITING YACHTS** 

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Linnhe Marine, Appin Home Farm, Appin, Argyll PA38 4BN, Tel: 07721 503981 Fax: 01631 730401 paulzvegintzov@ukonline.co.uk www.linnhemarina.co.uk



### CREAGAN Railway Creagar Mean Low Water Springs 6 Creagan A Inn Jarry (dis Landing Stage Loch Creran

Situated in Loch Creran a short sail from Barcaldine Marina

£ Built in 1740 this iconic lochside inn situated on (£) the main road between Oban & Fort William offers ".views as tasty as the menu." according to a recent review in the Press & Journal. Serving freshly

WC cooked bar meals, seafood, snacks & real ales, the 1 Scallops Mornay was rated '...outstanding...' the fresh scones and fish & chips '...great..' Booking recommended. ₽

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- Shower facilities • 2 mooring buoys
- i Locally sourced food served 12-9pm
  - Coffee Shop & Art Gallery
  - Bar Open (Local Real Ales) 11am 11pm
  - Kids & Dogs welcome Log fire & Decking

Situated in one of Argyll's most spectacular destinations on Loch Linnhe, just 10 miles by sea (20 by road) north of Oban, the 7 Pierhouse Hotel moorings (max capacity 20 tonnes) offer inner and outer lines at 3 metres and 5 metres depth respectively at low water.

The nearby concrete ferry jetty provides shelter for landing on the northern side. Marine visitor facilities include sauna, shower and laundry facilities.

The Pierhouse Hotel is renowned for its award winning restaurant (AA Rosette) serving fresh local seafood, meat and game, daily lunch and bar dinner menus, as well as home baking and teas/coffees. Breakfast is available in the hotel to non-residents. The Pierhouse Hotel holds the Scottish Romantic Restaurant of the Year Award.

in all seasons. The Boathouse Restaurant menu

venison from the estate and also vegetables,

salads and fruit grown in the estate's walled

Another worthwhile walk is to view the

Water available from tap, by cans.

Camus na Croise Bay.

Church which is situated right on the shore of

features fish and shellfish from local waters, wild

garden. Open Thursday-Sunday: April-October. It

Appin, Argyll PA38 4BQ Tel: 01631 730 250 Mobile: 07873 329338 Email: liz@creaganinn.co.uk Website: www.creaganinn.co.uk VHF: Channel 12



The Pierhouse Hotel (Contact: Nicholas Horne) Tel: 01631 730302/730622 Email: reservations@pierhousehotel.co.uk Website: www.pierhousehotel.co.uk

Kingairloch is a beautiful Highland estate to visit The Boathouse Restaurant, Kingairloch Estate Tel: 01967 411232 Email: info@kingairloch.co.uk Website: www.kingairloch.co.uk



### **DALLENS BAY (Shuna Sound)**



Dallens Bay is just north of Lismore Island. The south channel is marked with P/S buoys, and there are 70 swinging moorings for residents and visiting vessels with a water taxi service. There is a pontoon for water, diesel, petrol and loading, with 30ft depth at all tides. Overnight mooring alongside is only advisable in calm weather. Limited repairs can be carried out by local engineers. There are launch (hoist up to 27ft) storage, a new shower and toilet facilities, and there is a day time (closed 6pm) restaurant 600m from the marina. Port Appin (20 mins by sea, 5 miles by road), has a village Co-op store, and two restaurants. This area is a magnificent cruising ground with a wide variety of anchorages and unlimited wildlife from seals to sea eagles. New bar is due to open April 2015.

Linnhe Marine Tel: 07721 503981 Email: info@linnhemarina.co.uk Website: www.linnhemarina.co.uk VHF: 16, 9-1700



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**BALLACHULISH (West Harbour)** 

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The Village of Kentallen is one of the most scenic on the west coast. There are six visitors' moorings on yellow Hippo buoys, and a slipway **.** for smaller boats to come alongside depending upon tide and also to land from a dinghy. The Hollytree Hotel and Swimming Pool has a fantastic reputation for its freshly prepared food including seafood and grills. It is open all ₽ day, every day, for food and drink, served in the × Captain's Bar. The award winning restaurant is open every night. There is free use of the swimming pool, sauna

showers for all visiting boat crews. Laundry service available. Kentallen is on the Sustrans shoreline cycle and walking path to Glencoe and there is also a bus stop for the Oban to Inverness service.

Find us in this guiet and beautiful location hidden away in Loch Leven, which is ideally placed for the Caledonian Canal and is the perfect base to explore historic Glencoe. A peaceful backwater in which to relax and re-provision. Visitors can enjoy free use of the leisure facilities at the Isles of Glencoe Hotel (pool, sauna and gym).

Long established Lochaber Watersports runs RYA courses and offers small boats, kayaks and bikes for hire

Seaexplorer offers exciting and informative fast RIB rides. An exhilarating, fun change from sailing.

Please call in advance (pref 24hrs), for a mooring or berth on the gated pontoon.

Hollytree Hotel (Paul McFatridge) Tel: 01631 740292 Email: stav@hollvtreehotel.co.uk Website: www.hollytreehotel.co.uk VHF: Ch 16



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Lochaber Watersports/Seaexplorer Tel: 01855 811931 Mob: 07563 730798/07729 425486 Email: enquiries@lochaberwatersports.co.uk Website: www.lochaberwatersports.co.uk Isles of Glencoe Hotel: 08448 559134



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The two visitor moorings are number 11 and 13 at Lochaber Yacht Club the S.W. end of the outer trot which lies to the N.E. Two visitor moorings. Additional or long of the clubhouse. Other moorings may be available stay moorings can be arranged by prior by prior arrangement. Toilets and showers by arrangement with LYC.

Fort William has plenty of bars and restaurants: the Rumney 07792 222691 Lime Tree Gallery and Restaurant is close, and the Crannog seafood restaurant is on the pier a few hundred metres away. Also close at hand in the

High Street are the Grog and Gruel (serving real ales and good value food) and the Ben Nevis bars serving pub food. The town has 3 supermarkets, lots of outdoor shops and a variety of things to do including taking a trip on the mountain gondola at Nevis Range, or travelling to Mallaig on the "Harry Potter Steam Train". Both bike hire and the tourist office are in the High Street.

arrangement. Hamish Loudon 07879 651851 or Richard

Website: www.lochaber-yacht-club.co.uk



Lochside Hotel, Seafood Restaurant and Swimming Pool Holly Tree Hotel & Swimming Pool Ideally situated on the waters edge our Award Winning Hotel and Restaurant is open all year. Locally caught Seafood, bar meals, snacks and refreshments are served all day in the fantastic Seafood Restaurant and Captain's Bar. Sea View Rooms Holly Tree Seafood Restaurant Visiting boats can enjoy FREE use of the swimming pool and sauna when they enjoy a meal. FREE use of six visitors moorings to patrons of the hotel. Shower and laundry facilities. Families welcome. and Waterfront Self Catering Lodges HOLLYTREE HOTEL **& SWIMMING POOL** Kentallen Pier By Appin, Argyll Tel 01631 740292 E: stay@hollytreehotel.co.uk W: www.hollytreehotel.co.uk



### CORPACH (£) 3 £ t Bus Stop Pontoon Ŧ & Jetty WC E Corpach D Station To For ₽ William Transit letties

Corpach is the western terminus of the Caledonian Canal, which links Scotland's east and west coasts, avoiding the difficult passage around the north of mainland Scotland and through the Pentland Firth.

The sea-lock is available HW±4 hours, within canal operating hours.

The basin does not have permanent mooring facilities, and is usually occupied by craft waiting to leave the canal, or to proceed to the east. There are shops and other amenities nearby, including the railway from Fort William to Mallaig. More information can be obtained, and a Skipper's Guide downloaded, by visiting the Scottish Canals website, or by contacting the Canal Office.

Scottish Canals Corpach Sea Lock: 01397 772249 Canal Office: 01463 725500 E mail: enquiries@scottishcanals.co.uk VHF Ch 74 (16): "Corpach Sea Lock" Website: www.scottishcanals.co.uk



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Port Ellen Marina is operated as a 'Do it yourself' facility, run by a charity and open from April till the end of September. The well maintained pontoons offer a safe haven for those visiting any or all of the seven distinctive distilleries on the island. Scheduled air and ferry services operate with bus, taxi and cycle hire available in Port Ellen. Many who plan a night stop have to reschedule the cruise as they find the many treasures that Springwatch Islay offers are worth the extra days. There are six pubs and eating places in the Port Ellen area, as well as a butcher, garage, post office and information office. Port Ellen Maltings is only open to visitors during the Islay Malt Whisky Festival, but the other island distilleries are open through the summer.

Gigha is the southernmost island of the Inner Hebrides, and because it is low lying and influenced by the North Atlantic Drift the climate is drier and warmer than that normally associated with the west coast of Scotland. The island boasts beautiful bays, stunning views and breathtaking sunsets, lochs and gently sloping hillsides as well as a variety of wildlife. The climate directly influences the world famous Achamore Gardens, over 50 acres of rare and unusual plants surrounded by picturesque woodland. A 9 hole golf course is just a short stroll from the ferry and hotel. Meals are available at the hotel and the boathouse. Bike hire by the ferry slip. Moorings: please pay the Gigha Heritage Trust £10 per night for the use of visitor moorings. Fuel is not always available.

Craighouse is the population centre of the island. A new pontoon for dinghy landing (only) has been installed at the pier, and visitor moorings (16) are available at £10 per night. Jura Malt Whisky Distillery has a visitor centre and shop. Tours are available by arrangement. The Jura Hotel offers snacks, meals or a drink and has showers available for sailors and campers.

Antlers restaurant is opposite the pier, and is a community owned newly refurbished Bistro Restaurant using local produce. It also has an interpretation display of local life past and present and sells locally made crafts. Port Ellen Harbour Association (Charity) Tel: No day to day service Website: www.portellenmarina.com VHF: None (Clearwater Marine keeps watch during working hours)



Gigha Trading Limited Tel: 01583 505254 Email: gtl@gigha.org.uk Website: www.gigha.org.uk VHF: No



Jura Development Trust Tel: 01496 820161 VHF: No Jura Hotel: 01496 820243 Jura Stores: 01496 820231



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### SCALASAIG, COLONSAY



Colonsay is known for Colonsay House and **W** diverse birdlife, including the rare corncrake. Its landscape is beautiful and varied, with some of the finest sandy beaches in the Hebrides. The hotel is near the harbour, and there is a cafe/

bakery, and a shop/post office. The airstrip has been upgraded and there are scheduled services

from Oban Airport. Colonsay Community Development Company

supplies fuel through the Village Store (100m from the harbour).

The pier and yacht berths are owned by CMAL and a fee is payable for use of the pier, harbour or slipway. Petrol and diesel, by cans. There is a short stay charge of four hours, or

a normal fee valid for 96 hours. There is an honesty box and vessels should pay on arrival.

Lochaline's new fully equipped visitor pontoons provide around 24 visitor berths within walking distance of the village.

The local shop sells unleaded petrol and diesel and a wide range of food and goods. Lochaline has two licensed premises, a hotel serving bar meals, and The White House Restaurant (01967 421777).

Jean's Snack Bar on the old pier is a favourite haunt for hungry sailors, and there are new toilets, showers and laundry in the new pier building. Loch Aline is set in stunning scenery. There are some lovely coastal and woodland walks close to the village, and a number of sites of historical interest can be reached with little extra effort. A short walk or sail to the head of Loch Aline takes you to the splendid gardens of Ardtornish Estate.

offering a range of berthing options including

up to 50 visitor berths on the pontoons. Taigh

choice of shoreside facilities accessible on foot

from the harbour. Restaurants, bars, local bus,

taxis, bank and many shops catering for most

Visitors can also take beautiful walks in the

adjacent Aros Park or to the lighthouse.

needs including a chandlery.

museum, arts centre and theatre.

into the bay to provide facilities.

Solais harbour building offers good quality

facilities. Tobermory boasts an exceptional

Colonsay Harbour Office Tel: 01951 200320 Email: colonsav@calmac.co.uk Website: www.colonsay.org.uk The Colonsay Hotel: 01951 200316



Morvern Community Development Co Ltd Tel: 01967 421783 Mobile: 07583 800500 Email: info@lochalineharbour.co.uk Websites: www.lochalineharbour.co.uk VHF: channel 80



Tobermory Harbour is the west coast destination Tobermory Harbour Association Contact: 07917 832497 Email: jim.traynor@tobermoryharbour.co.uk Website: www.tobermoryharbour.co.uk VHF: Ch16 (Wkg Ch12) 0900-1800 Jun-Aug



Kilchoan Bay is a beautiful and quiet anchorage. The four moorings are regularly checked by the West Ardnamurchan Jetty Association and are maintained to a high standard.

Kilchoan Community Centre has a tearoom, free Wi-Fi, and many other useful services, including tourist information.

There is a public bar with food available at Kilchoan House Hotel 01972 510200 (1.2km).

It is a six mile walk to Ardnamurchan Point, Britain's most westerly mainland point, complete with its lighthouse and visitor centre. Another road leads north west across the extinct volcanic crater at Achnaha to the stunning

beaches at Sanna and the Viking burial at Port an Eilean Mhuir.

West Ardnamurchan Jetty Association. Moorings charge £13, payable at the honesty box at the jetty, or send cheque payable to WAJA, 1 Glasbhein Cottages, Kilchoan, Acharacle, PH36 4LH or bank transfer to WAJA, sort code: 82-68-18, account number: 20285201







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### **SALEN (L SUNART)**



Salen Bay is a picturesque bay on the beautifully Salen Jetty, Salen, Acharacle Ŷ scenic Loch Sunart. hhhThe Jetty has been 0 under new ownership since 2010 and a friendly welcome is given. WC Our spacious 9-berth pontoon has 12m long

**V**er fingers with depths generally ranging from 3m **W** to 8m. We have 4 visitor buoys which are red with orange pickups.

New facilities include a well stocked general ₽ store/off licence with a tearoom and a toilet/ shower facility. The Salen Hotel is a short walk ×

from the Jetty and provides excellent restaurant and bar facilities.

We offer an optional reservation service from June to August for both pontoon berths and buoys by ringng Jan or Mark (max 24 hours in advance).

Coll's attractions include a hotel, beaches, bird life, The Coll Hotel, Kevin & Julie Oliphant fishing, interesting flora, golf and opportunities for cycling and walking. There is a craft shop as well Email: info@collhotel.com as store and a fuel station (restricted opening). On foot or cycle you can take a circular route around the west end of Coll making use of the sandy track that goes to Hough Bay, a track closed to vehicles. The hotel has a friendly and relaxed atmosphere, and is appointed to a high standard, with six en-suite rooms, and an excellent reputation for fine lunches and dinners, whether in the bar or in the Gannet Restaurant. Overnight fees at the new CMAL provided moorings are £10 per vessel. Payable at the ferry terminal, the honesty box or at the hotel. Moorings are restricted to a vessel GRT of 10 tonnes.

Tel: 01967 431510 Mobile: 07909 944494 Website: www.salenjetty.co.uk Jetty Shop: 01967 431750 Salen Hotel: 01967 431661

Tel: 01879 230334

VHF: None

Website: www.collhotel.com

Island Stores: 01879 230484



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**Contact Kevin & Julie Oliphant** Isle of Coll Hotel, Arinagour, Isle of Coll, **Argyll PA78 6SZ** Tel: 01879 230334 www.collhotel.com info@collhotel.com

Great award winning food in the garden, restaurant or bar serving breakfast lunch and dinner.

Local Shellfish is our speciality. As much of our salad & vegetables, as is seasonally available, are grown on Coll. We cater for all budgets & tastes.

Call ahead to book a table for dinner in the restaurant, to avoid disappointment.

- Bar open all day every day
- Double rooms from £100 b&b
- Free WiFi throughout the hotel & garden
- 12 new Cmal moorings. £10 per night payable
- through the hotel or honesty box on the pier.
- Calor gas & camping gas
- Showers with a towel
- Laundry facility

 Visitor yacht logs dating back to 1962 now available to view by request



Discount on showers for diners.

A warm welcome awaits all friendly sailors



### Portree, Isle of Skye.



OUNDING ARDAMURCHAN POINT and making for more northern waters opens a new and dramatic chapter in any west coast cruise.

Firstly, the rounding of Ardamurchan is not always the smoothest of passages, as the combination of Atlantic swells finding their way in from the west, and their subsequent reflection off the rocky shore, means it is best to keep a good offing in all but calm conditions.

Once that has been achieved a panoply of choices open up, which include visiting the Small Isles and then deciding whether to sail northward outside or inside Skye. The former course, perhaps via Canna to Loch Harport or Loch Dunvegan, is overlooked by the magnificent Cuillin, whilst the latter offers the diversions of the Knoydart lochs and the tidal challenges of the Kyle of Rhea before reaching the Sound of Raasay and the Inner Sound.

As you voyage northward beyond Skye, the mainland mountains of Torridon and Assynt become progressively more majestic, until the land finally stops at Cape Wrath where the Minch becomes the Atlantic. The name is derived from the old Norse word for turning point, for this is where the Vikings altered course on their voyages between their Orkney stronghold and the west coast.

### **OUTER HEBRIDES**

The Long Isle, to give it its romantic name, stretches like a breakwater for 100 miles from Barra Head to the Butt of Lewis, sheltering the mainland west coast and islands from Ardamurchan almost to Cape Wrath.

This shelter has made the Sea of the Hebrides and the Minches the fine cruising ground that it is.

The islands themselves offer contrasting attractions. From the south, the islands of Berneray (Barra Head) to South Uist vary from now uninhabited and wilderness places like Mingulay, to the busy islands of Vatersay and Barra, and the complexities of the Sound of Barra.

Lochboisdale Harbour is a new, purpose built facility in South Uist. The port of entry has recently been completed following an extensive £10 million investment made by the Community Landowners Stòras Uibhist. Nestled between a causeway and breakwaters, the harbour, including a 52 berth pontoon, provides shelter and water, electricity, WIFI, fuel supply, showers and WCs on the 80m quayside. Boat storage and maintenance facilities are also available in the harbour area. It is a unique destination; a challenge for the more intrepid sailor to sail to, or take advantage of skippered tours.

Exploring the islands around Lochboisdale provides an experience, whether its cruising the Minch and inlets of the more sheltered east coast to Barra or hopping up to Lochmaddy or Stornoway.

For the most adventurous, the west coast offers unspoilt and generally deserted beaches and routes out to the Monach Isles and St Kilda.

Stop off for a night and enjoy local activities and



Castlebay and Kisimul Castle. Photo: CCC.



Diabaig, home of Gille Brighde.

pleasures including the Askernish golf course, walks and trails in the majestic hills, wildlife spotting and world renowned fly fishing. The summer boasts many cultural and music events and nights including the excellent Ceolas music summer school. Bike and car hire are available for those wishing to explore the Island further.

Local hotels and cafes offer a warm welcome, with everything from panini and home baking to traditional highland fayre. Nearby hotels provide services for sailors and the local shops will be happy to deliver groceries to the quayside. Cruising Scotland is available from Clyde Cruising Club (www.clyde.org), chandlers and nautical booksellers. Hardback, 220 pages. 300 + illustrations. ISBN: 978-1-899786-00-E

weekend getaway.



A day's sail from Oban or by plane from Glasgow and Inverness, Lochboisdale harbour makes the pristine waters of the East Atlantic accessible for a

The east coast of Harris and Lewis, like that of the Uists further south, has lochs, some quite long, to explore and anchor within. Stornoway, unless you are bound northabout past the Butt of Lewis or bound for the Faroes, generally marks the limit of cruising endeavor, for the coast north of the Eye peninsula has less to offer the recreational sailor.



Approaching Ardnamurchan from the north. Photo: CCC.



Lochboisdale Causeway from Ben Kenneth.



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- Glenuig provides the first mainland moorings north of Ardnamurchan Point and is a great base for exploring the Sound of Arisaig and the Small Isles.
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Mallaig Harbour's new yachting facility, officially opened in April 2012, includes pontoon berths for 45 craft and 10 additional moorings for busy periods. This development was part funded by the EC Sail West project, a marine tourism initiative of partner organisations from N Ireland, Ireland and Scotland. Mallaig still boasts a thriving fishing industry and is the ferry terminal for the Isle of Skye, The Small Isles, Inverie and Knoydart. There are plenty of options for shopping, eating or drinking with several restaurants, pubs and takeaways available. Coffees, snacks and gifts are available at the Mallaig Visitor Centre which also provides tourist

information and internet access. Visit Mallaig Heritage Centre near the railway station. Arisaig Marine Tel: 01687 450224 Email: info@arisaig.co.uk Website: www.arisaig.co.uk

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### **ARMADALE (ARDVASAR)** Ŷ 0 Ů WC Post office, petrol statio Moorings tourist information £ . 1 Ŧ, Old stone pier & pontoon Footpath to village 土 D) Calmac ₽ 1 Gift shop ferry pier & cafe Ardvasar × Village shop i Toilets sle of Skye yachts Showers hotel

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Armadale is a natural stopping off point for vessels heading north from Ardnamurchan. The moorings are managed by Isle of Skye Yachts and are busiest on Thursday and Friday nights, but it is rare that one cannot be found for visitors.

Fuel (diesel) and water are available for patrons of our moorings and these will be served directly to your boat on the mooring. A half tide pontoon is available for loading or unloading, but it is busy with commercial users and you should check before coming alongside. Armadale is a great place to leave a yacht or for crew changes as the ferry provides an easy link to Mallaig and on to the rail network. The nearby Clan Donald Centre is an interesting place to visit, and there is a hotel in the village.

The Old Forge at Inverie on Loch Nevis, is an award winning gastropub and is also mainland Britain's remotest pub, offering free visitor moorings to diners (marked buoys, £15 to non diners), all tide and all weather lit pier, 7 miles from Mallaig. Folk music and impromptu ceilidhs are a popular feature.

Highly Commended by the Seafood Awards in London 2009, and award winners of the Best Independent Pub in Scotland. Own creel caught langoustines, hand dived scallops and mussels landed daily, organic lamb and estate venison. Pub hens, wild wood sorrel, organic bread, handpicked wines, 2 real ales on tap. Shower, hairdryer, weatherfax, internet. A relaxed and cosy spot which suits both small or large groups. Booking advisable.

The yacht moorings are near the south shore of Doune Bay. Both bays are clean, except for the inshore shoal areas shown on the sketch. The bay gives good shelter from winds from NE through E to SW, but is uncomfortable in NW winds.

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On offer are 2 free visitor moorings, showers, telephone, and water at the pier. Please enquire at the house before coming alongside the pier.

The Doune Dining Room was awarded Visit Scotland's Taste of Scotland Thistle Award in 2009 for its food. Everything is homemade from locally sourced fresh ingredients. The ambience is warm, friendly and relaxed, and equally suited to small or large groups. Bookings can be taken up until 5.00pm for that evening. Isle of Skye Yachts Tel: 01471 844216 Email: enquiries@isleofskyeyachts.co.uk Website: www.isleofskyeyachts.co.uk



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### **DUISDALE & ISLE ORNSAY**



WC Isle Ornsay bay offers a safe anchorage and Duisdale has five well maintained, sheltered Te. visitor moorings situated in front of the hotel. Duisdale Hotel's owners are active sailors engaged in daily skipper charter with their × hotel guests and are great points of contact for ₽ information on the waters of the west coast.

Duisdale welcomes sailors to use their specially  $\boldsymbol{a}$ created facilities which include a Chart Room Bar with a la carte menu, showering facilities, free Wi-Fi and also complimentary use of computer facilities for communications. Open for breakfast, lunch, dinner and all in between. Eilean Iarmain Hotel is beside the pier at the head of the bay. There are also hotel moorings at Kinloch Lodge in nearby Loch na Dal.

Duisdale House Hotel Tel: 01471 833202 Email: info@duisdale.com Website: www.duisdale.com Eilean Iarmain Hotel: 01471 833332 Email: hotel@eileaniarmain.co.uk Website: www.eilean-iarmain.co.uk VHF: Ch8 'Duisdale'



PORT MOR. MUCK t T, Hotel Ferry Rorth

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Muck is about two miles by one mile and has a population of approximately 38 people. There are two anchorages, Port Mor and Gallanach Bay. In Port Mor, anchor clear of the ferry berth approaches. Muck is easy to walk around, with stunning scenery, beaches and wildlife. At 451ft the highest point is Beinn Airein. The Craft Shop, Tearoom & Restaurant serves homemade food and crafts. Port Mor House Hotel and The Craft Shop serve dinner, but please book well in advance. The Green Shed sells island crafts and seasonal island vegetables. Toilets, shower, washing machine and internet

are also available on the island. Visitors are always very welcome at local events.

The Isle of Eigg Heritage Trust is run by a partnership between the residents of Eigg, The Highland Council, and The Scottish Wildlife Trust Isle of Eigg Heritage Trust: 01687 482486 since 1997.

The island has a well stocked shop and post office located at the head of the jetty, which can

supply all the provisions you may need. There is also a tearoom, and toilet and shower facilities.

To guide you on your visit, you will find walking maps and booklets, and a variety of books on wildlife, geology and history, as well as souvenirs and craft items at the Craft Shop.

Craft Shop Tel: 01687 462990 & 460057 Port Mor House Hotel Tel: 01687 462365 Email: info@isleofmuck.com Websites: www.isleofmuck.com www.thegreenshed.net



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- Rum's main attractions are Kinloch Castle, red
  deer, Rum ponies, the Manx Shearwater colony,
  eagles and the rugged landscape.
- In summer, there are daily guided tours of
  Kinloch Castle and walks and talks are available
- from the community ranger service.
  You can land at the Old Pier or New Slip/Ferry Berth and the facilities are all within an easy 20
- minute walk.
  Detailed information about Rum is available at
- the Visitor Centre if you are tempted to explore the wilderness of Rum.
- Tea, coffee and cakes are served in the Village
  Hall (summer) and there is also a cosy village craft shop.

Isle of Rum Community Trust Email: info@isleofrum.com Rum Village Shop Tel: 01687 460328 Kinloch Castle Bistro Tel: 01687 462037 Website: www.isleofrum.com

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Canna's dramatic coastline is a Special Protection Area, home to shags, puffins, razorbills and black guillemots. Seals, porpoises and basking sharks can be spotted and eagles circle above the crags. Canna offers wonderful walking, dramatic cliff edge hikes, white sandy

beaches, sites of archaeological and historical importance, and three church buildings. The Café Canna serves lunches and evening meals through the season and can provide basic provisions and services.

Shower and toilet facilities at the farm. The Isle of Canna Community Development Trust has 10 visitor moorings. These will be around the periphery of the bay, leaving the traditional anchorage area available. Pay at the Community Shop next to the cafe. Tel: +44 (0)844 493 2100 Tel: 01687 482488 Restaurant Email: info@cafecanna.co.uk Website: www.cafecanna.co.uk VHF: Ch8



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### **CARBOST, LOCH HARPORT**

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- Carbost is perhaps best known as the home of 1 Talisker malt whisky, and as a calling point for WC the Malts Cruise.
- . The distillery has a visitor centre which runs tours and sampling sessions.
- A seasonal small boat/dinghy pontoon is situated between the pier and the distillery. See www.carbost-pier.org.uk for more information. ₽
- The visitor moorings are provided by the Old × Inn which is a traditional highland inn offering
- food and drink, together with bunkhouse accommodation, showers and a drying room for climbers and walkers. These facilities are also available to visiting sailors.

The village has a small shop that can supply provisions, petrol, diesel etc, and there is a part time post office.

Dunvegan is the largest village on the west coast of Skye, and is a long settlement stretching several miles south from Dunvegan Castle. Village services include shops, a bakery, as well as a choice of hotels, guest houses, B&Bs, a campsite at the head of Loch Dunvegan and a Tourist Information Centre. As well as the hotels there are several high quality places to eat, such as The Three Chimneys and The Old School Restaurant.

Dunvegan Castle, as the oldest continuously inhabited castle in Scotland is well worth a visit. It has been the stronghold of the chiefs of MacLeod for nearly 800 years.

There are some old visitor moorings, but WA has no information about their serviceability.

The Old Inn, Carbost Tel: 01478 640205 Email: reservations@oldinn.f9.co.uk Website: www.carbost.f9.co.uk Carbost Pier Tel: 07775 953252 Email: tieup@carbost-pier.org.uk



Dunvegan TIC Tel: 01470 521581 Dunvegan Castle Tel: 01470 521206 Email: info@dunvegancastle.com



**STEIN, LOCHBAY** 0 t £ (£) Steir Restaurant Pier Visitor 🙆 Slip Moorina

Stein is located on the peninsular of Waternish (or Vaternish). It was developed by the British WC Fisheries Society in the late 1700s, and the . original layout was designed by Telford. The village today is little changed and is now a conservation area.

The buildings are traditional in style, maintaining a low profile to the land.

Within the village as well as the two hostelries there is also a dive centre (Hebridean Diving Services) and a very good arts and craft shop (Dandelion Design). The area is host to other craft shops, within easy walking distance. (www.visitwaternish.co.uk). There are four payable moorings and one free for patrons. Water can be obtained using own containers.

Stein Inn (Angus McGhie): 01470 592362 Uncertain mobile signal Email: Angus@steininn.co.uk Website: www.steininn.co.uk



**ACAIRSEID MOR** 



(璽) The sheltered bay of Rona's Big Harbour is one of Scotland's most beautiful anchorages. 0 The visitors' mooring can be booked or there's plenty of space to anchor. Ashore, Rona is a WC

haven for wildlife: otters, red deer and sea eagle all frequent this peaceful island. Explore the ruins of old settlements or take woodland and hill walks to see panoramic views of surrounding sea and mountains.

Local stamps, postcards, seasonal produce, seafood & Rona venison are often available from the island's only permanent residence, Rona Lodge.

Accommodation is available ashore in a cosy harbourside bunkhouse, or three beautiful holiday cottages.

Warden: Bill Cowie Mob: 07831 293963 Email: ronalodge@isleofrona.com Website: www.isleofrona.com



### PORTREE ٤ 0 Town: Ĵ Services £ Ŧ Visitor 🔞 Moorings (12) ገጠ Moorings i 75

- 5 Portree is the main town of Skye and the heart of its tourist industry. It offers a good ÷ range of
- Ō shops, hotels, etc, as well as transport links to mainland Scotland. WC
- Portree Moorings Association manage 12 moorings which are available to visitors in three trots.
  - An honesty box for these moorings is
- provided in the doorway of the RNLI station. P Vessels tying to the piers or pontoon for water or provisioning are subject to dues ×
- payable to the harbour office in addition to @ moring fees. The pontoon may not be used overnight nor
  - during cruise liner operations.

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Kyleakin has a pontoon available for yachts and other small boats. The harbour is run and maintained by Highland Council which charges

- WC for use of the facilities. There is fresh water available at the pontoon.
- Ō There is no electricity available at the pontoon.
- a. Three visitor moorings are available just outside the harbour between Kyleakin and the bridge. Toilets are located at the Haakon Bar & Þ
- Restaurant, situated on the north side of the road, about 300m to the west. ×
  - Laundry and shower facilties available in Saucy Mary's lodge.

Portree Moorings Association Harbourmaster: Tel 01478 612926 Email colin.alston@highland.gov.uk Mob: 07979 005457 Email: info@portreemoorings.co.uk Website: www.portreemoorings.co.uk

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### Kyle & Lochalsh Community Trust Tel: 01599 534505 Mobile: 07826 745762 Email: pontoon.manager@kyleandlochalsh.org.uk Website: www.kyleandlochalsh.org.uk VHF: Ch 11, call sign 'Kyle Pontoons' 06h-22hr



**KYLE OF LOCHALSH** 

**KYLEAKIN** 

Visitor Moorings (3)

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Extended for the 2015 season, the pontoon facilities provides an excellent oportunity for boats to take on board supplies before heading north (supermarket, butchers, post office, banks all within 3 minutes by foot). Kyle is an ideal location to meet crew with excellent transport connections to Inverness and Glasgow by rail and road. Kyle provides an ideal staging point to time a passage through Kyle Rhea. Located in the midst of breathtaking scenery, the pontoon, moorings and shore facilities are operated by Kyle and Lochalsh Community Trust. Charges apply & will be displayed on the pontoon.

**PLOCKTON** 



- **W** Plockton provides a safe harbour in most conditions for boats visiting this picturesque Ŷ village.
- WC There are 15 visitors' moorings and two pontoons. Ō
- The pontoons can be used for short periods but 0 are not suitable for overnight berthing as they are used by working boats.
- Mooring fees should be paid on the pontoons. ₽ Plockton offers a choice of good places to eat, × with two hotels in the village, a restaurant and a take away.
- @ There are stores, newspaper and art shops, a train station connecting with Inverness, airstrip and taxi service. Chandlery, fuel and gas are available at Kyle of Lochalsh.
- Contact: Plockton Harbour CIC Tel: John Leiper 01599 544324 Tel: Edward Stanley 01599 544420 Email: phajohn@kallyjohn.co.uk



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# **SKYE & NW COAST**

### **SHIELDAIG, LOCH TORRIDON**



### **LOWER DIABAIG LOCH TORRIDON**



Shieldaig is a pretty fishing village located in the 3 heart of Loch Torridon. It has a general store, selling all the basic provisions and Tigh an Eilean Hotel (AA Inspectors' Choice and Good Hotel Guide 2013) with a restaurant (2 AA Rosettes WC and recommended by the Good Food Guide **.** 2013).

Shieldaig Bar and Coastal Kitchen (Good Pub Guide 2009) which has a restaurant with wood fired oven upstairs and roof terraces with panoramic views of the loch and moorings. Traditional music is played in the pub most Friday and Saturday nights.

All are located in the centre of the village within easy walking distance of the jetty. There is a new landing pontoon for dinghies or short stays, but not for overnight berthing.

P Safe, sheltered anchorage on the North Shore of Diabaig, Torridon. Fantastic coastal and ×

woodland walks, great bay for kayaking, boating @ and fishing. Stunning views across the loch to mountains and sea. Walks to Redpoint and Craig. Pebble & sand beaches all around &

wildlife galore. One of the West Coast's most scenic areas and a fully licensed café / restaurant at the pier. Close to Shieldaig & Torridon where there are shops, bars & facilities. (Transport required)

Shieldaig Bar and Coastal Kitchen Tigh an Eilean Hotel Shieldaig Stores Tel: 01520 755251 Email: tighaneilean@keme.co.uk Websites: www.tighaneilean.co.uk/www. shieldaig.org



Lower Diabaig Gille Brighde Cafe and Restaurant Telephone: 01445 790245 E-mail: info@gille-brighde.com Website: www.gille-brighde.com



BADACHRO Ĵ 0 (£) Ŧ Eilear Horrisdale Hote Badachro



Badachro is famous for its convivial waterside

dining area on the left has big tables by a huge log fire, and there's a dining conservatory overlooking the bay. Excellent fresh fish is a feature of the menu. Friendly staff serve beers from the An Teallach or Caledonian breweries, and a farm cider. Over 50 malt whiskies, and a good changing wine list, complete the picture. The bay is very sheltered, virtually landlocked by Eilean Horrisdale just opposite; you may see seals in the water, and occasionally even otters.

Badachro Inn: 01445 741255 Email: leslev@badachroinn.com Website: www.badachroinn.com VHF. None Rob Adam (marine services) 01445 741339 Mobile: 07775 652911



GAIRLOCH



1 Gairloch Harbour is situated at the south end of the village and the north east portion of Flowerdale Bay, within the sea area of Loch WC Gairloch.

**1** Gairloch is a working port where both local and east coast fishing boats land most evenings, and O is a busy port for inshore fishing.

There are approximately 60 metres of pontoons at Gairloch Harbour for use by visiting boats, but it has been reported that this is often not available due to local boat activity. Six visitor moorings are available in Loch @ Shieldaig 1nm south of Flowerdale.

Harbourmaster Len Campbell: 01445 712140 Mobile: 07769 671966 Email: len.campbell@highland.gov.uk Website: www.highland.gov.uk/ roadsandtransport/harbours/gairlochharbour. VHF: Ch 12



### ULLAPOOL 3 £ 0 ÷ Ŧ Ō D) WC **1**44 76 i Sailing ₽ Club Slip × Pontoon @ ନ 0 2 Trots of 6 4 Moorinas

Ullapool is popular for refuelling and replenishing supplies.

A dedicated leisure pontoon has been installed on the sheltered inside face of the pier, access is by prior arrangement with the harbour office.

The Harbour Trust manages eight moorings for visiting vessels of 15 metres or less. The rate per night is £12 with discounts available for longer stays.

Lochbroom Sailing Club's slip/jetty is adjacent to the moorings, well suited for dinghy access. There is good holding ground for boats to anchor to the south of the moorings.

The nearby village boasts a variety of shops, cafes, banks, a post office and pubs. Top class food combined with live musical entertainment is available during the summer season.

investment in facilities for smaller craft, and now has deep water pontoon berths for visiting vachts.

The attractive local village offers a variety of **1** eating establishments and a couple of shops, as well as an excellent tourist office and local information display.

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Additional visitor pontoons and a 25t boat lift will be available from 2013. There will also be boat storage facilities available.

Contact organisation Ullapool Harbour Trustees: 01854 612091 (24hrs) Mob: diverted from landline Email: kevin@ullapool-harbour.co.uk Website: www.ullapool-harbour.co.uk VHF: 14 & 16 (available 24/7)

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VHF: Ch12 & Ch16 available approx 0800hrs -



Harbourmaster David Seddon: 01971 521235 Mobile: 07901 514350 Email: david.seddon@highland.gov.uk Website: www.kinlochbervie.info VHF: Ch 14 (at all times, call before entering)



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CASTLEBAY

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For yachts rounding Cape Wrath this is an invaluable stopping point, shortening the passage to or from Loch Eriboll to just 30 miles.

Castlebay was developed in the 19<sup>th</sup> century 1 as a fishing port, but had been the stronghold of the MacNeil clan since 1427. Today it is the WC main town on the Isle of Barra, with a couple of hotels, church, post office, school, grocers, **1**44

supermarket, bank, swimming pool and fuel station.

Barra is abundant with beautiful scenery, rare i flowers and wildlife, which can be appreciated P on coastal or hill walks, drives or cycle rides

along the various small roads. × The Tourist Office will provide information on the Barra Games (July), the 9 hole golf course, and trout fishing, bike and car hire. Transport connections include the Cal-Mac ferry

to Oban, and Barra airport is famously situated on the beach on the north side of the island.

Tourist Information Centre: 01871 810336 Castlebay Hotel: 01871 810223 Website: www.isleofbarra.com Barra Car Hire: 01871 890313 Bike Hire: 01871 810284



### This busy fishing port has benefitted from recent Harbourmaster: Neil Gudgeon: 01571 844247 Duty Mobile: 07787 151498 Email: neil.gudgeon@highland.gov.uk Lochinver TIC Tel: 01571 844373 2200hrs weekdays. Weekend times vary.

Kinlochbervie Harbour is possibly the most 1 secure harbour on the north west coast, and is Ŷ situated approx 15 miles south of Cape Wrath. All visiting yachts are made welcome in WC Kinlochbervie, which has a safe approach in any **N**ie

weather, complete shelter, and pontoons which can be used by visiting yachts. Development of facilities for leisure craft

continues. ₽ Ashore, facilities include a Spar shop, and availability of fuel and water. Calor gas from ×

garage shop. A bar/hotel is a half mile walk away.

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### WESTERN ISLES

### **ACAIRSEID MOR. ERISKAY**



t Acarsaid Mhor in Eriskay has two visitor mooring Comhairle nan Eilean Siar buoys and adequate space for several anchored vessels. Pontoons are currently being extended

and whilst geared up to the fishing industry will ₽ offer limited availability to visiting yachts. Water × is available on the pontoon.

The harbour is unmanned although harbour staff visit at irregular intervals.

The shop and pub are a healthy walk away! All Western Isles visitor moorings are now subject to (modest) charges, details on their website. Eriskay is where Prince Charles Edward Stuart landed on 23 July 1745, prior to the Jacobite Rebellion.

In February 1941, the SS Politician ran aground just north of Eriskay on the island of Calvay, as dramatised in the film Whisky Galore.

Lochboisdale grew up around the ferry terminus, Lochboisdale TIC: 01878 700286 and in recent years the buildings overlooking the harbour have been redeveloped and now

WC present an attractive village centre, which has

- a Tourist Information Centre, bank, butcher, **1** 
  - grocery shop and PO.
  - Local attractions include trout fishing (enquire at hotel) and a golf course on the west side of the island.

i Lochboisdale Hotel has an a la carte dining P menu offering the best of local produce, seafood and game, as well as bar meals.

X Showers, laundry and Wi-Fi are available in the hotel.

Harbour Master: Roddy Jardine Tel: 01851 703773 Email: harbourmaster@cne-siar.gov.uk Website: www.cne.siar.gov.uk



Lochboisdale Hotel: 01878 700332 Website: www.lochboisdale.com Email: karen@lochboisdale.com



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W Lochboisdale Harbour is a newly established, purpose built facility on the Isle of South Uist, part t of the Outer Hebrides archipelago.

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- Local services: Car hire, Visit Scotland Office, hotel and bar, internet café, post office, bank and local shops.

2 hours by plane from Glasgow or Inverness. Local attractions: Sea fishing, boat trips, angling lochs, guided walks & excursions, Askernish Golf Course, bird watching, cycle hire, Kildonan Museum. Hotels and cafes offering the best of local produce,

seafood and game.

Lochboisdale Harbour Tel: 01878 700101 Web: www.lochboisdaleharbour.com Lochboisdale Hotel: 01878 700332



Comann na Mara's new 15 berth yachting facility was opened in September 2014 by HRH The Princess Royal and lies between the recently constructed marinas of Lochboisdale and Stornoway. This strategic midway position offers multiple island sailing choices including St Kilda.

The pontoons are located beside the Lochmaddy - Uig car ferry terminal and provide instant access to 2 hotels, groceries, café, post office, bank, doctor's surgery, dispensary, museum, art gallery, gift shop, car hire and bus services, from which to access the Island's abundant wild life, rich history and natural beauty.

Comann Na Mara: 07453 606899 Email: gusmacaulay44@gmail.com Chairman: gusmacaulay44@gmail.com

Loch Maddy TIC: 01876 500321 Tigh Dearg Hotel: 01876 500700 Website: www.tighdearghotel.co.uk Lochmaddy Hotel: 01876 500331 Website: www.lochmaddyhotel.co.uk



### **WESTERN ISLES**



To Village

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LEVERBURGH

Visitor Pontoon

Leverburgh Pier

Ferry Slipway

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The 126 permanent residents of Berneray live mainly along the rockier east coast, forming an active and friendly community. The occupations

are a mixture of crofting, fishing, internet services, tourism and media work.

Services and facilities include a post office, church, fishing harbour, community hall, shop and tea room.

During the summer months, an information centre containing historical and contemporary information is manned by local volunteers. Ardmaree Stores (600m from harbour) provides provisions, outdoor wear, wines, spirits and beers. The Lobster Pot tea room is in the same building.

Leverburgh is a small village on the Sound of Harris. Facilities include a pontoon (with limited berths), public toilets, a restaurant and bar, electricity, fuel, water and RNLI Lifeboat Station all available at the pier.

There is also a sheltered anchorage, a shop with fuel facilities, post office and doctors all within walking distance.

If you are lucky there is a wealth of both marine and avian wildlife to be seen, plenty of good picturesque walks and historic buildings within the area.

The Sound of Harris is very rewarding for a few days exploring, as there are many secluded anchorages to try, and Leverburgh is an ideal starting point for passages to St Kilda and west of the Hebrides. www.isleofberneray.com Ardmaree Stores and Lobster Pot Tearoom Tel: 01876 540288 Clyde Hire Tel: 01876 540235



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### **WESTERN ISLES**



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Rodel is a peaceful and beautiful setting in a historic location at the southern tip of Harris. It is centrally situated in the Outer Hebrides chain and directly opposite (18 miles) Dunvegan on the Isle of Skye.

Access to the moorings is through the drying entrance on a half tide rising. The inner harbour has a slipway suitable for small boats. It is tidal and dries out at low tide.

Rodel Hotel, refurbished in 2001, is beside the harbour. It has a relaxed welcoming ambience and a menu specialising in local seafood and venison in season. The bar is open all day for food and home baking. Wi-Fi is available in or close to the hotel. The 16<sup>th</sup> century St Clement's Church is 600m from the harbour. Fuel and provisions are available from Leverburgh (3 miles).

Although Tarbert has few, if any, facilities

 specifically for visiting yachts, it is nonetheless a useful pit stop for fuel, water and provisions, and has a bank, two grocery stores, post office, tourist information centre, hairdressers, general

store, and filling station. The alternative is to go to nearby north harbour Scalpay, where provisions, fuel and water are also available, with the option of visiting Tarbert

by bus or taxi. There are two hotels in Tarbert: Harris Hotel and the adjacent Harris Inn provide restaurant and

bar meals, as does the Pierhouse Restaurant, part of the Hotel Hebrides by the ferry terminal,

from where the ferry crosses to Uig on Skye.

Rodel Hotel: 01859 520210 Mobile: 07880 502605 Email: reservations@rodelhotel.co.uk Website: www.rodelhotel.co.uk Contact: Donnie or Dena MacDonald



Tarbert TIC: 01859 502011 Harris Hotel: 01859 502154 Website: www.harrishotel.com Hotel Hebrides: 01859 502364 www.hotel-hebrides.com





A favourite destination for those sailing to the Outer Hebrides and exploring the islands by boat, Stornoway is the largest harbour in the Outer Hebrides. Stornoway port is well sheltered and easy to access at all states of the tide for vessels up to 6.5m draft in all weather conditions. The 80-berth marina provides a safe haven for island hoppers and day sailors. Marina lies right in the heart of the town centre. As the major settlement in the islands Stornoway has all you would expect in a bustling coastal town. Transport links can take visitors to see the iconic attractions and activities that gained this island the accolade of being voted Europe's top island by Tripadvisor in 2014.

Stornoway Port Authority Tel: 01851 702688 Email: sypa@stornowayport.com Website: www.stornowayportauthority.com VHF: Ch12 16 24H Stornoway TIC: 01851 703088





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**MORAY FIRTH COAST** 

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# MORAY FIRTH & N ISLES

### PETERHEAD

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Sailing

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Town Centre Car Park



Caution

Depths

Peterhead Bay Harbour is a deep water natural inlet protected from the sea by two breakwaters. The marina lies within the large sheltered harbour which mainly services the oil industry. The inner harbour is devoted to the fishing industry

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Peterhead is an ideal staging post for vessels heading to and from Scandinavia and vessels heading to the Caledonian Canal and the popular sailing areas on the western coast of Scotland. There are 150 fully serviced berths, and ample berths for visiting yachts. The entrance depth is 2.3m, with 2.5m at the main berths. Peterhead town is short walk/taxi ride away, and provisions etc can be obtained there. The bus connection to Aberdeen stops at the marina access road.

A former fishing and cargo port now used as a recreational harbour, Banff offers excellent facilities to regular and visiting users. The marina Tel: 01261 815544 provides 76 serviced pontoon berths (6 reserved Mobile: 07770 646115 for visitors) in one of the safest harbours on the

coast. Fresh water is available on the quays, and there is a small repair/painting plinth, storage compounds and car parking.

i. Banff is a handsome town with many amenities, P and is well worth exploring.

- NAVIGATIONAL NOTE: ×
  - A yacht of 1.8m draft can only enter 4 hours either side of HW. The visitor berths have a minimum of 1.8m at all states of the tide.

Peterhead Port Authority Marina Tel: 01779 483600 Marina Mobile: 07803 264617 Website: www.peterheadport.co.uk VHF: Ch14 (24H)



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There are now two establishments serving excellent meals just a short walk from the marina: the Seafield Arms Hotel and the Cutty bar and restaurant. The village has a shop, post office, butcher and a shop selling locally caught fish. NAVIGATIONAL NOTE: The minimum depth at MLWS is 1.6m in the channel and 2.1m on the visitors pontoon. A 2m vessel can enter 90 minutes either side of MLWS. Note: Keeping close to the lighthouse wall up to the sharp turn to port to enter the outer basin is recommended, as the 1.6m shoal is in the middle of the channel. There is also a small shoal in the middle of the outer basin where the minimum depth is also 1.6m These shoals are banks of sand. At MLWN a 2m vessel can enter anytime.

The Marina has 90 yacht and 25 small boat berths in two basins with fully serviced toilet facilities showers and laundrettes at both basins. A visitor welcome package can be obtained from the Marina Office or at the Steamboat Inn after

office hours. Water and electricity are provided at all berths. An undercover workshop for up to 4 yachts is available with a marine engineer on site. The

workshop and dry standing areas are serviced by a 25 ton boatlift.

Lossiemouth enjoys a good selection of shops, bars and restaurants within easy walking distance of the **@** Marina and two excellent sandy beaches.

NAVIGATIONAL NOTE: Entrance depth 1.8 metre at LW+/- 2 hours. Some berths less than 1.8m at LWS: berth as directed.

Elgin & Lossiemouth Harbour Company

Tel: 01343 813066 In event of emergency:

Harbour Master: Charles Cranfield

07969 213513 & 07969 213521

VHF· Ch 12

Email: info@lossiemouthmarina.com

Web: www.lossiemouthmarina.com

The village, the boatyard and the yacht club lie on the east shore of Findhorn Bay, where there is a village shop and post office, and several pubs.

Findhorn Boatyard has a pontoon, slipway, boat lift, boat repairs, dinghy parking and a well stocked chandlery. For crew changing Findhorn can be easily reached by air and rail, and the

closest airport is Inverness, some 20 miles west. Travellers by rail can take the Inverness-Aberdeen train at Forres Station and reach Findhorn by bus or taxi.

NAVIGATION NOTE: Findhorn Bay can only be entered by deep draft vachts at around HW as there is an extensive sandbar at the entrance. This is marked by buoys and depth gauges. Call Findhorn Marina for free pilotage advice.

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Inverness Marina is a 150 berth marina seven miles SW of Chanonry Point in the Inverness Firth, one mile from Inverness City centre and 15 Email: info@invernessmarina.com minutes by road from Inverness Airport. It is close to the entrance to the Caledonian Canal, giving easy access to the west coast. Inverness Marina is a sheltered deep water harbour with access at all states of the tide. Min depth 3.0m LAT. Inverness is the hub of a transport network to

and from all parts of the Highlands and the UK. It has a full range of shops and other city facilities. The Moray Firth is a Special Area of Conservation with dolphins, porpoises, seals and many birds to see.

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# **MORAY FIRTH & N ISLES**

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# MORAY FIRTH & N ISLES

### **INVERNESS SEAPORT MARINA**



Seaport Marina is based at Muirtown Wharf at the eastern entrance to the Caledonian Canal. Only a 15 minute walk from the centre of Inverness, this is an ideal base for visiting the Highlands. Clachnaharry Sea Lock is available HW+/- 4 hours, within operating hours. As well as the facilities listed, a disabled crew lift is also available at Seaport Marina and at various locations along the canal (Caley Marina, Temple Pier, Fort Augustus and Banavie). There are shops and amenities nearby, and Caley Marina, only a short distance from Muirtown Basin, offers visitor mooring facilities, a chandlery, repair services, and a boat hoist and slipway. More information can be obtained, and a Skipper's guide downloaded, by visiting the Scottish Canals website or by contacting the Canal Office, see above.



For such a little town on the northern edge of the Black Isle, Cromarty has a good selection of shops, hotels, catering establishments and small businesses, such as the Royal Hotel, Cromarty Arms Hotel, Sutor Creek Café, Post Office, Spar grocers, bakery, the Emporium and the Pantry. Bike hire is available and Ecoventures water trips is based here.

There are no harbour toilet or shower facilities, although The Cromarty Boat Club may make their toilet and shower facilities in the clubhouse available on request. NAVIGATIONAL WARNING

Recent dredging was planned to give depths of approximately 1.8m LAT at the pontoon visitor berth. Check with HM before berthing.

Scottish Canals Clachnaharry Sea Lock Tel: 01463 725512 Canal Office: 01463 725500 Email: enquiries@scottishcanals.co.uk Website: www.scottishcanals.co.uk VHF: Ch74 (16), call 'Clachnaharry Sea Lock'



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### **HELMSDALE**



Helmsdale is a planned village, built from 1814 **W** by the Sutherland Estates to create a community Harbour Master: Alex Jappy able to live from both fishing and farming, and absorb people who had been cleared off the land. The harbour was built and expanded i between 1818 and 1892.

The Timespan Heritage Centre is the museum

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of Helmsdale and the surrounding area. There is × also a gallery showing the work of international, national and local artists; excellent café overlooking the riverside community garden; and a shop.

The town has four restaurants and three hotels, as well as provisions shops etc. NAVIGATION NOTE:

There is a shallow reef in the approach to the harbour.

Helmsdale Harbour Tel: 01431 821692 Mobile: 07767 311213 Website: www.helmsdale-harbour.org.uk



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Wick lies in a strategic position on the north east tip of the mainland, and is ideally placed for passage to or from the Northern Isles and the west coast. The new marina, opened in 2009, is only a five minute stroll from the town centre with plenty of shopping and leisure opportunities, and renowned Caithness hospitality.

Local visitor attractions such as the award winning Wick Heritage Centre, and Pulteney Distillery, producing finest single malt whisky, are all close by. Wick Airport is just a mile from the marina, with

daily flights to Aberdeen and Edinburgh, and the rail service connects with Inverness. Wick is a secure base to leave a yacht and to explore the NE of Scotland.

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Wick Harbour Authority

Harbour Master: Malcolm Bremner

Tel: 01955 602030 (24 hours)



**W** £ Little Head LH leisure berths visiting yachts are welcome to use t the quay berths. Shore-power points have been Ø Ŧ installed along our new Inner Basin Quay for visiting vessels. E WC Marine Gasoil is available from Simpson Oil **1** (Tel 01847 891880), gas, petrol, provisions and launderette from Thurso (2 miles). Ō î F Toilets and showers are available courtesy of Pentland Firth Yacht Club. The key can be obtained from the Harbour Office. i The Ferry Inn restaurant and bar overlooks the P harbour and the Pentland Firth, the Fisherman's ×

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Mission is open to all, and there is a small café in the ferry terminal building. Internet is available at the Fishermen's Mission

for a small donation.

A 64 berth marina within the harbour and just yards from the attractions of this historic town. Accessible at all states of tide, all year facility, excellent shelter. Showers, toilets and laundry and free Wi-Fi on site. All other facilities are around the harbour. Minimum depth at LAT is 2 Metres. Some deeper berths available, please book in advance if required.

Stromness offers a good selection of provisions shops and restaurants. Bus connection with Kirkwall, and the ferry to Scottish mainland. The prehistoric sites at Maes Howe and Skara Brae are a short taxi ride away, and no visit to Orkney is complete without seeing them.

Although Scrabster has only a limited number of Scrabster Harbour Trust Harbour Master: Gordon Mackenzie Tel: 01847 892779 Email: ops@scrabster.co.uk Website: www.scrabster.co.uk VHF: Ch12 (24 hours)



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**SCRABSTER** 





**W** A 95 berth marina within the harbour and beside the attractions of this ancient port. Accessible at all states of tide, all year facility, WC excellent shelter. Showers and toilet block on site. All other facilities around the harbour. **.** Depth varies. Maximum draft 2.7 metres but call for instructions for deep berths. Some shallow berths less than 1 metre at LAT.

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Kirkwall is the capital of Orkney, and offers a full range of facilities and services, excellent restaurants, and historic sights to see.

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Depth varies. Maximum draft 3.0 metres but call for instructions for deep berths. Some shallow berths less than 1 metre at LAT.

Local facilities include shops, bakery, post office, swimming pool, two hotels, arts and crafts shops, and the area has a wealth of historic and wildlife interest. Westray is a hospitable place and a favourite with many cruising sailors.

There are ferry and air connections with Kirkwall. Westray, like most of the Orkney Islands, is fertile and the main occupation is agriculture.

Fair Isle, world-famous for its knitting and bird

pier at North Haven, and a pontoon for visiting

life, has a well sheltered and easily accessible

yachts, which can also anchor off the pier if

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Harbour Master: Jimmy Stout Tel: 01595 760222 Website: www.shetlandmarinas.com

preferred. . The island makes a great stepping stone, whether on the way north to Shetland or heading south to explore the rest of Britain. Fair Isle's internationally acclaimed Lodge and Bird Observatory is around 300 metres from the pier and has toilets, showers and a telephone as

well as serving excellent food. Fair Isle is also famous for its knitting and is the only source of the genuine Fair Isle garment. The George Waterston Memorial Centre & Museum is packed with displays of the island's history from prehistoric times to the present.



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More than 500 yacht visitors call at Lerwick each year, with crews from the UK, Scandinavia and beyond exploring Shetland's 1,700 miles of spectacular coastline. Visitors enjoy modern town centre berthing facilities within easy walking distance of local shops, fresh produce, arts, crafts and a variety of restaurants and bars. World class attractions include incredible geology, diverse landscapes, clean golden beaches, unique wildlife and archeological sites. Shetland Museum & Archives, and Mareel, provide a fascinating insight into Shetland's rich heritage and cosmopolitan culture. Lerwick is host to local and national sailing races, where visitors are welcome as spectators or participants.

be buoyed. The pier offers good berthing for

There is a museum devoted to the German Hanseatic traders who once dominated the

Shetland economy. The leisure centre is 15

The mainstay of the Whalsay community is

Baltasound is a large harbour sheltered by the

island of Balta at the mouth of the sound and

by the high ground to the north and west. While

the small boat marina is not suitable for visiting yachts, there is a good anchorage south west of

the pier. There is no full time piermaster.

dedicated to the history of the island's

that are still raced around the islands.

face of the main pier has been removed.

Haroldswick, a few miles north, is home to

who used them until the early 20th Century.

around 20 visiting boats.

walk from the pier.

minutes walk inland.

pelagic fishing.

evenings, and welcomes visitors.

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On Whalsay, Symbister is a handy stopover Whalsay Boating club for cruising yachts and has both a small Tel: 01806 566681 boat marina and a pier, as well as a nearby Website: www.shetlandmarinas.com anchorage in North Voe, although as the bottom is foul with old moorings the anchor should



Tel: Penny Thomson 01957 711444 Website: www.shetlandmarinas.com



Scalloway, capital of Shetland until the 17<sup>th</sup> Century, provides a storm-proof harbour and everything a visiting yacht requires. The harbour is sheltered from all wind directions by the islands of Trondra and Burra, and can be accessed at all states of the tide and in all weather conditions.

The visitor's pontoon is near Scalloway Boating Club (SBC) at Port Arthur, on the western side of the outer harbour.

Facilities including toilets, showers, and laundry are available at the club, which is open Monday - Thursday 1900 until late, Friday 1500 until late, and Saturday and Sunday 0900 until late. The Boating Club extends a legendary welcome to all visiting yachts and their crew.

Scalloway Harbour Tel: 01595 744221 Email: scallowayharbour@shetland.gov.uk Website: www.shetlandmarinas.com Harbour VHF: Ch12 16 SBC Tel: 01595 880409



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# **GETTING THERE SAFELY**

The Clyde Cruising Club Sailing Directions (SDs) cover the whole area included in Welcome Anchorages and this year a new edition of their popular Kintyre to Ardnamurchan volume has been published. You can find out more on the Club website (see below), and purchase copies of all CCC SDs from the Club office (0141 221 2774).

Long established they may be, but they are also the most up-todate in the business, as they are updated and re-published regularly, and in between editions annual corrections are available on line.

'Cruising Scotland' is the companion guide to the Sailing Directions covering the Firth of Clyde to Cape Wrath, see details on the Club website.

The new CCC Kintyre to Ardnamurchan edition incorporates the former Imray/Martin Lawrence Yachtsman's Pilot for the area and completes the merging of the two publications into a single series, authored by CCC and published by Imray.

Irish Cruising Club's Sailing Directions are the only SDs to cover the whole of Ireland, and are printed in two volumes which are regularly revised and reprinted. Up to date corrections are always available on the club website (see below), which also gives details of stockists around the UK and Ireland. Needless to say the two editions East & North Coast and South & West Coast between them cover the Malin Waters area in the 2015 **'Welcome Anchorages'**. Corrections are always freely available for both CCC and ICC publications on their respective websites:

www.clyde.org and www.irishcruisingclub.com

Kintyre to Ardnamurchan

UK Hydrographic Office and Imray charts are available direct or from chandlers and chart agents. Both publish leisure folios that provide more detail relevant to small craft navigation. Websites: www.ukho. gov.uk and www.imray. com



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