

ANTARES CHARTS CORRECTIONS AND CAUTIONS 2017

The following corrections and cautions relate to issues we identified during the course of our 2017 survey work. Where appropriate they will be reflected in our 2018 charts. They are subject to the Conditions posted on this website.

NB The 2017 and all earlier chart sets have been superseded by the 2018 set and we strongly recommend that only the current set should be used.

NB Hydrographic surveying and cartography are not precise sciences. There will be errors and misleading representations on our charts as well as those published by others. Please read the sections on 'Making the charts', 'Using the charts' and the 'Conditions'. Take great care at all times but especially if away from the routes described by the pilot books.

There are no **corrections** to our 2017 charts to report but there is one **caution**:

November 2017: Caol Scotnish, Sound of Jura. One of our users reported seeing a yacht hit an underwater obstacle in an area where we show between 2m and 3.5m of water. The estimated depth of the obstacle is between 1.5m and 1.8m below CD. We have marked an '*area to avoid*' on our 2018 edition, pending full investigation. This area is just north of the narrows, immediately opposite the first building we show, and covers the E half of the channel. It just includes the 2.6m sounding and E from there, N towards the 3.7m depth and S towards the 3.1m depth.

The following **cautions** have arisen from our 2017 surveys:

April 2017: Sound of Pladda, Isle of Arran. The 3.8m channel shown on UKHO chart 2220 has closed. Depths are down to less than 1m in places and appear to be constantly shifting, with strong tidal streams running over the area.

May 2017: Bagh Gleann Rìgh Beag. There is a 0.7m rock at the SE end of this bay where UKHO chart 2481 shows a 2.5m rock. Beware!

June 2017: Bogha Garbh-aird, Lynn of Lorn. The UKHO chart 2388 shows this rock as drying 1.8m. We measured it as 1.1m drying. Don't be surprised if you don't see it when you would expect to—it is still there! Older charts show it as drying 0.9m and very old charts as drying 1 foot! Perhaps the UKHO is just allowing for future growth?!

July 2017: Lagavulin, Islay. UKHO chart 2168 shows a '+' with a dotted line round it immediately SSE of Lagavulin Bay. There is a 1.4m rock under the dotted line SE of the '+'. Position 55deg 37.842'N; 006deg 07.395'W. The finder of this rock has given his consent to it being named after him! This area is included in the extended coverage of our 2018 chart of Lagavulin Bay.

August 2017: Loch Eishort entrance channel. UKHO chart 2208 shows two reefs mid-channel to the E of Sgeir Gormul, both drying 4.8m. We measured the outer (W)

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one of these as drying 3.7m and the inner (E) one as drying 4.1m. Again, don't be surprised if you don't see them when you would expect to but they are there and as hard as any others we have found!

August 2017: North Asknish Bay, Loch Melfort. UKHO chart 2326 shows two patches of reef at the W end of the bay, under the 'Moor' of 'Moorings'. We could find no trace of either of these reefs: the bottom was smooth sediment at about 10m. The reef just touching the shore, a little further E, with a 1m sounding beside it, is there!

August 2017: Loch Hourn Beag, Middle Section. There is a 3m rock where UKHO charts 2541-3 & 2541-4 show a 7m rock. Position: 57deg 06.376'N; 005deg 27.740'W.

August 2017: Loch Hourn Beag, Outer Section. Rocks of 2m and 2.3m not shown on UKHO chart 2541-3. Position of 2.3m rock: 57deg 06.193'N; 005deg 29.661'W. Position of 2m rock: 57deg 06.196'N; 005deg 29.626'W. The 2.3m rock is just outside the 5m contour on UKHO chart 2541-3 and the 2m rock is well outside the 2m contour.