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Every effort has been made to ensure the accuracy of this supplement. However, it contains selected information and thus is not definitive and does not include all known information on the subject in hand. The authors, the RCC Pilotage Foundation and Imray Laurie Norie & Wilson Ltd believe this supplement to be a useful aid to prudent navigation, but the safety of a vessel depends ultimately on the judgement of the navigator, who should assess all information, published or unpublished, available to him/her.

With the increasing precision of modern position-fixing methods, allowance must be made for inaccuracies in latitude and longitude on many charts, inevitably perpetuated on some harbour plans. Modern surveys specify which datum is used together with correction figures if required, but older editions should be used with caution, particularly in restricted visibility.

This supplement is cumulative and the latest information is marked in blue.

WARNING The Tresco harbourmaster has warned (March 2015) that the storms over winter 2014/15 have significantly altered the sandy seabed in the shallows between Samson, Bryher, Tresco, Tean and St Martin's and great caution should be exercised in the southern approaches to these islands; place little reliance on charted depths in these areas. It is thought that there has been little significant change to the main approaches to Old and New Grimsby Sounds from the N.

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The RCC Pilotage Foundation would be very pleased to receive any further updates. Please email info@rccpf.org.uk

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June 2015

Page 9 Top left tidal chartlet

Caption: 0200 after HW Plymouth.

Page 24 Porth Cressa photo

Annotations: 'Buzza Hill Tower' and 'Chimney'.

Page 29 St Mary's Pool

WARNING Extensive engineering works are being undertaken in 2015 to extend the quay SE. A temporary N cardinal buoy has been installed to mark the outer limit of



Works to extend the quay, St Mary's, 2015

the workings. Visiting yachts are advised to keep well clear of the working area.

Page 30 St Mary's Pool

Left hand column, lines 15-18: There are now 28 moorings for vessels up to 40ft, 10 moorings for yachts 40-60ft and there are no longer moorings for yachts over 60ft. Inshore visitors' moorings have been laid for vessels of under 25ft. and capable of taking the ground, with a courtesy tender provided. A water taxi operates within St Mary's Pool between 0800 and 1700, extended at the discretion of the operator. There is a 3kn speed limit for all vessels within the harbour.

Lines 22-24: Charges £18.50 per night for vessels to 40ft and £24.50 to 60ft. For vessels paying for three nights the fourth night is free.

Page 31 Porth Cressa

14 private visitors' moorings have been laid in Porth Cressa and these are operated by Porth Cressa Moorings (Pete and Charlie Carss who also operate the Isles of Scilly Commercial Diving Company and can assist with fouled propellers, hull cleaning, etc.). These are suitable for vessels up to 45ft with a draft to 2m. Port and starboard entry buoys and 3 marker buoys indicating the location of the underwater cables in the bay have been provided as well as WiFi suitable for the use of laptops on board yachts in the bay. Charges are £20 or 25€ per night and shower facilities are available ashore beneath the Information centre.

Lower photograph annotation: 'Chimney' and 'Buzza Hill Tower'.

Page 35 Facilities

Moorings 38 large yellow visitors' moorings in St Mary's pool, 10 of which (Rows Y & Z) are suitable for yachts 40ft – 60ft.

14 yellow visitors' moorings in Porth Cressa.

☎ 01720 423758 or 07825 477695

Email candpcarss@tiscali.co.uk

www.porthcressamoorings.co.uk

Harbourmaster Captain Dale Clark. Harbour office open daily 0800-1700 April-September and weekdays October-March. A helpful and informative downloadable Harbour Information Brochure is available on the website www.stmarys-harbour.co.uk.

Divers Scavenger Diving has been acquired by Pete & Charlie Carss and now operates as Isles of Scilly Commercial Diving Company with the m.v. *Scavenger* ☎ 01720 423758 or 07825 477695
Email candpcarss@tiscali.co.uk.

Page 42 Chart

Little Kittern should be shown as drying 1.9m, not 5.9m.

Page 48 Old Grimsby Sound

Leading Marks Line R The Island Hotel has been demolished and replaced with holiday cottages

Directions Little Kittern Rock.

Lines 10 & 11: When entering Old Grimsby Sound on Line Q the dangerous Little Kittern rock is abeam when Round Island Lighthouse is aligned with the northernmost dry rock of Norwethel (not the drying rocks which extend further to the NW).



The Island Hotel, Tresco has been replaced by holiday cottages and the Ruin Beach Café.



Little Kittern Rock (Oliver Crosthwaite-Eyre)

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Left hand column, line 28: Tide Rock (dries 1.4m).

Page 50 Old Grimsby Harbour (Tresco)

Line 10: The Hotel is no longer in existence. Payment should be made to the Estate office in New Grimsby if the harbourmaster is not available.

Page 54 Facilities

Moorings (2015) £20 per night. Pay for 2 nights and the third is free. Two moorings for larger vessels over 60ft. close to Cromwells Castle are £30 per night.

Estate office Information about island matters, holiday cottage rental etc. ☎ 01720 422849 www.tresco.co.uk.

Chandlery Bryher Boatyard add mobile 07881 767504. New email address: bryherboatyard@hotmail.co.uk.

Shopping Tresco Stores ☎ 01720 422806.

Island Fish. Lobster, crab and fish delivered on the islands ☎ 01720 423880 *Email* contactus@islandfish.co.uk

Eating out The Island Hotel no longer exists. Ruin Beach Café, Old Grimsby, Tresco. ☎ 01720 424849.

Attractions The Garden Visitor Centre ☎ 01720 424108. Flying Boat Club Spa treatments available to non-members ☎ 01720 424075. Gallery Tresco ☎ 01720 424925.

Other Tresco Photographer: James Darling ☎ 07799 674826 *Email* info@jamesdarlingphotography.com
www.jamesdarlingphotography.com

Page 61 Chart

The chart on p.22 shows a N area drying 4m to the SW of Great Ganinick. This should also be shown on the chart on p.61.

Hats S cardinal buoy is correctly shown on the charts on pp.19 and 22 (Line H runs through it). The buoy is not shown on the chart on p.61, although at the southernmost extremity of the charted area it is an important navigational feature and should be shown.

Two isolated drying rocks (*) are shown immediately to the NE of Innisidgen on the chart on p.22. These should also be shown on the chart on p.61.

Page 74 Directions

Line 18. '...and round it onto a NE course towards St Mary's Road. Keep N of Line D, Carn Irish open N of Great Smith 234° (stern transit) to clear Bristolman (awash).'

Page 76 The Cove (St Agnes and Gugh)

After line 5 '....present no problems' add 'Telegraph cables cross the cove (see chart) and there is a prominent warning diamond on the rocks above the beach. It would be advisable to use a tripping line on your anchor here.'

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Eating Out High Tide Seafood Restaurant (Mark Eberlein), St Agnes, Isles of Scilly TR22 0PL ☎ 01720 423869
Email hightidemark@googlemail.com www.hightide-seafood.com.

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Norwethel Island should be listed as p.50, not p.51.

Various pages Norwethel/Northwethel Island

There is some inconsistency in the book with reference to Norwethel/Northwethel Island. Locals generally use the name Norwethel and the word 'Island' is rarely added but the Admiralty charts refer to Northwethel. They are one and the same!