Orkney and Shetland Islands (2016)

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p.18; LH col; Directions; Line 5; **Delete** 'the' and **substitute** 'its western'

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p.18; Plan; **Replace** with the amended plan below

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**Amendments added Apr 2018**

Various plans: Cross-reference on plan amended

- p.52; Inset of Eday; **Amend** p.60 to p.59
- p.71; Inset of Vaila Sound; **Amend** p.98 to p.100
- p.71; Inset of West Burra; **Amend** p.88 to p.92
- p.71; Inset of St. Ninians; **Amend** p.86 to p.90
- p.93; Plan of Hamnavoe, West Burra; **Insert** cross ref. to p.94
- p.116; Inset of Sullom Voe; **Amend** p.116 to p.120
- p.137; Plan of Uyea and Skuda sounds; **Insert** cross ref. to p.132

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**Amendments added Jul 2018**

Kyle of Tongue, Talmine Bay: Dubh-sgeir Bheag rock shown

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Introduction: Weather forecast channels changed

The changes (see CCC amendment No. 967 Apr 2017) to the channels used for the MSI weather forecast broadcasts have now come into effect. The new channels are:

Previous Replacement
Ch. 23 Ch. 62
Ch. 84 Ch. 63
Ch. 86 Ch. 64

Channel 10 will remain unchanged as will the initial announcement on Ch. 16.

Introduction: Tidal streams

Noss Head light: Show on plan

Stromness Harbour: Restaurant

Eday, Calf Sound and Lashy Sound: Amendment to tidal times

Westray: Noltland Castle

Westray: Reduced depth at pontoons

Mull Head and Fair Isle Channel: Tidal times amended

Sumburgh Head: Tidal times amended

Fair Isle: Tidal times amended

Rova Head Light, Lerwick: Characteristic changed
**Anchorage, Harbour** Line 2; **Amend** telephone number to: 01595 744221

p.95; LH col; **Anchorage, Scalloway** boating Club Pontoon; **Amend** telephone number to: 01595 880409

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**Amend telephone number to:**

- **Scalloway; Telephone numbers amended**
  - p.95; LH col; **Anchorage, Harbour** Line 2; **Amend** telephone number to: 01595 744221
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**Mid Yell Voe; Buoy moved**
- p.127; Plan; The yellow buoy shown NNE of the marina has been moved to lie close to the fish farm opposite the pier. It is now lit.
  - (An amended plan will be posted when more detail is known)

**Basta Voe; Pier light extinguished**
- p.127; Lower plan; Delete the Fl.R.5s pier head light

**Mid Yell; Facilities update**
- p.127; **Facilities; Mid Yell; Insert** at end; 'Diner and Pizzeria (next to Old School)'

**Mid Yell Voe; Facilities update**
- p.127; **Facilities; Mid Yell; Insert** at end; 'Diner and Pizzeria (next to Old School)'

**Baltasound; Yacht berthing**
- p.137; **Facilities; Mid Yell; Insert** at end; 'Diner and Pizzeria (next to Old School)'

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**Amendments added Apr 2017**

**Introduction; Weather forecast channels to be changed**
- In September 2017 the Coastguard is due to change the VHF channels used for the MSI weather forecast broadcasts. The new channels are as given below:
  - **Present**  |  **Replacement**
  - Ch. 23  |  Ch. 62
  - Ch. 84  |  Ch. 63
  - Ch. 86  |  Ch. 64

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- p.6; LH col; **MSI channels and aerials; Amend** the VHF channels in the table to those given above.

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**Page 4  Amendments to CCC Sailing Directions - Orkney and Shetland Islands (2016)  Date printed 06/07/2018**
The construction of the Beatrice Wind Farm has started recently and will continue for two years.

These are shown on the adjacent plan.

The Beatrice wind farm is approximately 7 miles off the Caithness coastline. The construction phase of the project started on 1 April 2017 and it is due to be completed in April 2019. The site area is marked by cardinal buoys at the four corners with two special buoys (Fl. Y.5s) along each of the NW and SE sides. It is recommended that yachts do not enter the area enclosed by these buoys.

The coordinates of the buoys are as follows:

| Special No.1 | Fl.Y.5s  | 58° 12 ·76'N   002° 51 ·58'W. |
| Special No.2 | Fl.Y.5s  | 58° 15 ·56'N   002° 47 ·11'W. |
| East Cardinal | VQ(3)5s AIS | 58° 18 ·00'N   002° 45 ·11'W. |
| North Cardinal | Q AIS | 58° 20 ·21'N   002° 50 ·58'W. |
| Special No.3 | Fl.Y.5s  | 58° 18 ·22'N   002° 54 ·24'W. |
| Special No.4 | Fl.Y.5s  | 58° 15 ·34'N   002° 57 ·80'W. |
| West Cardinal | VQ(9)10s AIS | 58° 12 ·56'N   003° 01 ·32'W. |
| South Cardinal | VQ(0)+LFl.10s AIS | 58° 10 ·43'N   002° 55 ·83'W. |

The orange and yellow unlit buoys immediately north of Chanonry Ness have been removed. Anchorage can be had in the location of the conical buoy.

Delete: spherical (orange) and conical (yellow) buoy symbols NE of Chanonry Ness and immediately south of Buckle Rock. Insert anchor symbol in place of the conical buoy.
North Ronaldsay: Additional tidal information

The stream always runs north along the west side of North Ronaldsay (per Admiralty Pilot) however this should NOT be used if leaving for Fair Isle or Shetland on the ebb as there is a roost off the north end of the island on the NW running tide. This roost is not shown on charts.

Fair Isle: Berthing directions

Yachts should avoid berthing in the Good Shepherd's berth.

Cape Wrath: Amendment to tidal streams

North-going stream starts –0120 Ullapool (–0540 Dover)
South-going stream starts +0455 Ullapool (+0035 Dover)

Kirkwall to Westray: East Cardinal mark

The cardinal buoy marking Linga Skerry should be shown as an East cardinal mark.

Stronsay: Whitehall Village facilities

Building with museum and showers for visitors

Papa Westray: Approach and facilities

Approach keeping close to the weedy shoreline of Papa Westray.

Fair Isle: Wifi availability

Free Wifi available at Bird Observatory

Lerwick: Bottled gas supplies

For bottled gas tel. 01595 692807

Sound of Papa: Melby

Delete the label 'Pier' and its symbol on the south side of the sound at Melby and substitute the symbol for slipway and label 'Slip'

Sand Voe: Depth amendment

More water has been reported than that shown on charts 3281 & 3298.

Amendments added Aug 2016

Cape Wrath: Amendment to tidal streams

Kirkwall to Westray: East Cardinal mark

Stronsay: Whitehall Village facilities

Papa Westray: Approach and facilities

Fair Isle: Wifi availability

Lerwick: Bottled gas supplies

Sound of Papa: Melby

Sand Voe: Depth amendment
p.135; para 5; Facilities; Delete 'Shop' and substitute 'Teashop'