

uncomfortable in NE winds – inside berths should be available on request.

Facilities Holyhead Sailing Club is very welcoming to visiting yachts. Good value catering is available: Wednesday–Saturday lunch and evening, and Sunday lunch ☎ 01407 769359, *Mobile* 07826 252133 to check availability/book. Launch service.

Holyhead Marina provides usual full facilities, with boatyard, chandlery, mechanical/electrical/rigging services, small shop/café, and health and beauty salon on site.

Mackenzie Pier 500m E of HSC (where RNLI craft are serviced) with 30-tonne crane and boatyard facilities.

Shops in town 700m good ferry/train connections.

☎ /VHF Holyhead Sailing Club VHF 37, 01407 762526, HSC Bosun *Mobile* 07864 830004, HSC Catering 01407 769359, *Mobile* 07826 252133 www.holyheadsc.org

Marina VHF 37, ☎ 01407 764242; out of hours *Mobile* 07743 715455, 07714292 990 www.holyheadmarina.co.uk.

Port Control VHF 14, 01407 606700.

PORTH DINLLÄEN

Chart BA 1512; SC 5609; Imray C52, 2700

This fine bay on the N side of the Lleyn peninsula 15M SW of Caernarvon affords the only safe anchorage between there and Pwllheli in S to W winds and settled weather. With strong NW winds some shelter may be found by shallow draught boats close to the point but strong winds from NNW to NNE send in a heavy sea.

BARDSEY SOUND

Tidal streams in the vicinity of Bardsey Island are strong and run at up to 7kn in the Sound. Slack water occurs, turning NW at HWD +0500 and SE at HWD –0100 approx. The sound can be extremely dangerous in strong wind over tide situations with severe overfalls. There are two shallow ridges SE of Bardsey, Bastram Shoal and the Devil's Tail, where severe overfalls may also be encountered in adverse conditions. There are also overfalls to the N of Braich-Y-Pwll at the north end of Bardsey Sound. Aberdaron offers a temporary anchorage to await slack water for passage North through Bardsey, shelter from W through N to NE.

Without local knowledge Bardsey Sound should only be taken at slack water and in winds Force 4 or less.

Approach From W keep Yr Eifl (twin conspic peaks 561m) open of Porth Dinlläen Point to clear Careg-y-Chad dries 2m ½M W of Point. Give the rocks off the point a fair berth. Chwislen Rock, BRB bn, extends ½ca to W. From seaward steer for Boduan a rounded wooded mountain 275m high 1M S of Nevin.

Anchorage About 1ca S of lifeboat station in 1.5 to 3m. Better holding further out in the bay but less shelter. Groceries at Morfa Nevin, pub on beach. For petrol and general stores Nevin 2M or in Nevin Bay 1M to E. Anchorage in Nevin Bay not recommended.

ABERSOCH AND ST TUDWAL'S ROAD

Chart BA 1512; SC 5609; Imray C52, 2700

HW Milford Haven +0150sp +0250np

MHWS	MHWN	MLWN	MLWS
4.8m	3.3m	1.8m	0.5m

This sandy bay with fine beaches is a very popular summer yachting centre with many moorings in St Tudwal's Road. The village has a vibrant beach/café culture with many trendy shops and is well worth a visit.

The anchorage offshore in St Tudwal's Road offers protection from S through W to NE. Better shelter from the South can be obtained at Chapel Bay on the north side of St Tudwal's Island East.

A heavy sea comes in with strong winds from the E or SE South Caernarfon YC on Penbennar has three visitors' moorings and a launch service during the summer months. Contact SCYC on VHF 37. www.scyc.co.uk. SCYC offers catering facilities; contact club for details.

Landing slip, water, small boatyard and chandlery. All

stores and many restaurants in Abersoch.

PWLLHELI

Chart BA 1512; SC 5609; Imray C52, 2700

HW Milford Haven +0200sp +0305np

MHWS	MHWN	MLWN	MLWS
5.0m	3.4m	1.9m	0.5m

The only 'all-weather' harbour on the Welsh coast between Holyhead and Milford Haven, Pwllheli, in Tremadoc Bay, welcomes visitors to its safe and secure 420 berth marina.

A popular yachting and holiday centre with safe sandy beaches. Pwllheli hosts many major Dinghy Sailing Championships.

Bar The entrance channel is dredged to 0.5m below chart datum; channel depth is shown on a gauge to stb inside the entrance. Anchor E of the entrance to await tide: sheltered from NE through N to W.

Approach Gimlet Rock (30m, quarried) lies E of conspic row of white houses on the promenade. From the Fairway Buoy, RW Iso.2s, (52°53'0N 4°22'9W) make good approx 294° towards the end of the training arm, Q.G 3m3M.

Entrance Buoyed with over 2.5m at half tide. Narrow channel in which tide runs strongly (up to 3kns) controlled by training wall on N side which covers around half-tide. Follow the channel marked by buoys and bns to the marina.

Berthing In Hafan Pwllheli Marina. Pile & Drying moorings may be available, contact the Harbourmaster.

Facilities Fuel, gas, boatyards, 40-tonne hoist, chandlers, sailmaker, sailing club (bar and food may be available).

All stores and restaurants in Pwllheli town. Rly.

☎ /VHF Hafan Pwllheli (24

hrs) 01758 701219, VHF 80; HM (office hrs) 01758 704 081, VHF 12; Pwllheli Sailing Club 01758 614 442. www.hafanpwllheli.co.uk; www.pwllhelisailingclub.co.uk

PORHMDADOG

Chart BA 1512; SC 5609; Imray C52, 2700

HW Milford Haven +0225

MHWS	MHWN
5.1m	3.4m

A small harbour in the middle of a bustling holiday town. Inner harbour affords good shelter, outer exposed to S'lies.

Bar with least depth about 0.5m, extending from Harlech Point (52°53'70N 4°08'54W) to Morfa Bychan Spit (1¼ miles W), lies across the entrance. **Caution** Seas break on the bar when winds from S to SW exceed 15kn.

Access should only be attempted HW±0200. Entry is not hazardous in Force 4 (or Force 5–6 from E).

Approach Fairway Buoy RWVS LFl.10s, at 52°53'01N 4°11'10W

Entrance Follow the buoyed channel from Fairway Buoy. The channel is well marked by small mainly lit buoys, which are moved without prior notice to meet the frequent changes in the channel (April to October). A sketch of the channel is

ST PATRICKS CAUSEWAY SARN BADRIG

This rocky ridge extends 14M SW from just N of Barmouth. It includes many drying heights up to 1.5m above CD and is a major hazard for vessels sailing S from Pwllheli and St Tudwals. It is marked at its W end by a W card called Causeway. There is an unmarked twisting passage, East Passage, at the E end of St Patricks Causeway. This is used by local boats and local knowledge is required.

