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Chart A26 WGS 84

Edition 2006

Versions available: New Edition (Corrected to November 2006)

NOTES

Below is a complete list of corrections issued since the 2006 edition of this chart was published. Each correction is issued with an ILNW reference number and year. Corrections are listed chronologically in ascending order.

1 **Barbuda west coast** (correction amended see ILNW 617/21) Lighthouse Bay Resort Hotel has been built in 17°39'-08N 61°51'-24W (ILNW 424/12)

2 AIDS TO NAVIGATION

Charted aids to navigation throughout the Eastern Caribbean should be used with caution. Many aids to navigation either moved or were destroyed during recent hurricanes in this region. The replacements and repositioning of these aids is progressing slowly. Yachtsmen are advised to use visual navigation. (Street 2018) (ILNW 574/18)

3 Barbuda west coast, Codrington Lagoon

As a result of two hurricanes in 2017 a new pass between the sea and Codrington Lagoon has opened up. Previously after a hurricane, within a few months the break would fill-in. However, this time the break has not filled in, but in fact it has extended northward.

The pass can be found approximately 400m south of the now derelict Lighthouse Bay Resort Hotel. This area contains about four islands with channels in between. The channels are of unknown depth. Explore and ascertain the depths of the channels in a RIB. The small islands and depths in the channels will come and go with the winter groundswell. (Street 2019. Updated 2023). (ILNW 233/19)

4 Barbuda N

Insert depth 3.3m in 17°44'.25N 61°54'.44W (ILNW 330/20)

5 Barbuda (Main chart & Plan A)

Add Igd (ru) to Lighthouse Bay Resort Hotel in 17°39'.08N 61°51'.24W (Main chart) Delete Palmetto Point Hotel in 17°34'.84N 61°51'.39W (Main chart) Add Igd (ru) to K-Club in 17°33'.75N 61°46'.26W (Main chart & Plan A) (ILNW 617/21)

Corrections to notes on the chart reverse

WEST COAST OF BARBUDA

After "...and take a water taxi across the lagoon to Codrington." add:

Although Customs and Immigration are in Codrington, mariners can meet the ferry from St Johns when it comes in. If anchored on the west coast, mariners are advised to go ashore by the beach house and hitch a ride to Codrington. (ILNW 073/10)

WEST COAST OF BARBUDA

After "The best anchorage is in Low Bay northwest of the beach houses as the reefs to the west of this anchorage give some shelter from the ground swell." add:

Mariners heading for the anchorage at Low Bay are advised to get close in shore on the southwest corner of the island and follow the coast north. This will bring you inside of the various shoals and coral heads. Deep draft boats should not close the coast until north of Nine Feet Bank. (ILNW 135/10)

BARBUDA CUSTOMS AND IMMIGRATION

After second paragraph add: Despite the fact that there are Customs and Immigration officers based in Barbuda, it is not a port of entry. Before visiting Barbuda, mariners should enter in Antigua. (ILNW 253/13)

Addition to chart sailing directions inside chart cover/on chart reverse

WEST COAST OF BARBUDA

As a result of hurricane Norma the west coast of Barbuda has changed drastically. Lighthouse Bay Resort Hotel has almost completely collapsed. The sandbar to the south separating the ocean from Codrington Lagoon has been breached for almost a mile south of the ruined of the Lighthouse Hotel.

The deepest part of the break is sometimes about 10 feet. Boats drawing 6 feet or less can access the lagoon. Send a dinghy ahead for sounding or eyeball navigation from someone sitting on the spreaders. Enter and anchor inside Codrington lagoon.

Every time the groundswell rolls the sand shifts so no depths can be given in this area.

At Palmetto Point the hotel is gone, a developer is trying to develop a golf course, and has created a 20 foot high sand dune. Cocoa point now has numerous high-rise buildings.

K club was destroyed by hurricane Irma and has not been rebuilt.

At the south eastern tip of Barbuda, Spanish Point is still undeveloped and the anchorage behind the point is excellent. (Street 2021) (ILNW 617/21)