Dingwall Harbour

CHS Chart No: 4363 – Cape Smoky to St Paul Island

4365 - Ingonish and Dingwall Harbours

Amenities: dockage, water, gas & diesel, The Markland Restaurant at the coastal resort provides fine dining to residents and non-residents, and is about 1 km from the wharves on the south side of the harbour. Cruisers are requested to make reservations at 902-383-2246.

Harbour Authority: NVSPHA¹, 902-285-0010, e-mail: nvspha@hotmail.com. Fees apply for berthage. Boats anchoring in the harbour are also subject to the berthage fee of \$20/night.

Description:

CHS Chart 4365 provides excellent information for this harbour, so no other chart is provided here. This is a busy fishing harbour, especially in lobster season. However, the inner harbour provides excellent anchoring in mud. The entrance shoals between the outer breakwaters and

requires periodic dredging, so consultation of the tide tables is advised. If planning to enter on the bottom half of the tide, seek local knowledge or consult NVSPHA. The entrance was dredged in the Fall of 2015. Depths on the approach may not be as shown on the chart. Due to the shallow approach, entering in strong onshore winds is inadvisable.

Ashore, the St Paul Island Museum provides an insight to life as it once was on the island, and has one of the old lighthouses as part of its display. It is well worth a visit!



Navigation:

Tidal range on a 'large tide' is about 4 feet. Use tidal predictions for Dingwall.

From the fairway light and bell buoy, **KA** (4654.2/6025.9), moored ~0.86 M E of the entrance breakwater, a course of 270T leads to the harbour entrance. A pair of small buoys mark the final approach. Once past the breakwater, depths are good.

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¹ NVSPHA, North Victoria Six Ports Harbour Authority, with offices located in Neils Harbour, is responsible for the harbours of Dingwall, White Point, New Haven, Neils Harbour, Ingonish, Ingonish Beach, and Ingonish Ferry.