## **McKinnons Harbour**

CHS Chart No: 4279 – Bras d'Or Lake

Amenities: none

## Description:

McKinnons Harbour was once a commercial port for the shipment of gypsum. The entrance just north of Red Point West was kept open by dredging, but with the closing of the quarry, the dredging ceased and the entrance became blocked by a sandbar. However, the local residents and cottage owners have dug a new entrance into the harbour as shown on the sketch chart. Its location is such that little silting should occur and any necessary dredging may be done by a high-hoe from the shore. The entrance is only seen when almost upon it.

## Navigation:

The approach is straightforward. From close to Lighthouse Point, head into the cove until the entrance opens up and you can see through the entrance into the harbour. Once inside the water deepens quickly. There are several well protected anchorages within the harbour, with those in the cove at Ottawa Brook being popular.

