



NOTICE TO MARINERS GIPPSLAND PORTS

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PORT OF CORNER INLET AND PORT ALBERT

AIDS TO NAVIGATION

MAJOR BUOY EXCHANGE PROGRAM 2022

6th May 2022

Mariners are advised that maintenance works will commence on or about Monday 9th May 2022 for the exchange of major navigation buoyage in the Port of Corner Inlet and Port Albert. The program is expected to take approximately 4-6 days to complete over a two week period.

The buoys to be exchanged in Corner Inlet are;

Corner Inlet Main Channel – No.2 Port Lateral Mark buoy (Fl.R.4s)
Barry Beach Channel – No.2 East Cardinal Mark buoy (VQ (3) 5s)
Toora Channel – No.9 Starboard Lateral Mark buoy (Iso.G2s)
Bennison Spit – East Cardinal Mark buoy (Q(3)10s)
Stockyard Channel – No.2 Port Lateral Buoy (Fl.R.4s)
Stockyard Channel – No.4 Port Lateral Buoy (Fl.R.8s)

The buoys to be exchanged at Port Albert are;

Port Albert Outer Red - Port Lateral Mark buoy (Fl.R.2s)

During the buoy exchange program;

1. There may be short periods of time where one or more of the above named buoys will be missing from station.
2. Gippsland Ports vessel's "Albatross" and "Shearwater" shall be engaged in each buoy exchange. These vessels shall maintain a listening watch on VHF Ch.16 at all times.
3. The buoy exchange program includes towing operations and each vessel will display the lights and day shapes prescribed in the Prevention of Collision Regulations (COLREGS).



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4. The buoy exchange program includes daylight hour diving operations and the Dive vessel "Shearwater" will display the Code "A" dive flag.
5. There will be no change to the flash rate or number/name of the above navigation buoys and any significant change to the geographical position will be promulgated in the issue of the next Notice to Mariners following the conclusion of the buoy exchange program.

Mariners are advised to take extra precaution when navigating in the vicinity of these operations and are requested to give a wide berth and reduce speed to minimize wake when passing the buoy exchange vessels.

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AFFECTED:

Admiralty Sailing Directions – Australian Pilot Vol II NP14
Gippsland Ports Waterways online website available at;
<https://www.gippslandports.vic.gov.au/boating/waterways-online/>

A further Notice shall be issued.

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