

NOTICE TO MARINERS

GIPPSLAND PORTS



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PORT OF MALLACOOTA INLET

BASTION POINT BOAT RAMP

NAVIGATION WARNING

APPROACH CHANNEL SHOALING

DATE: 23 November 2023

Effective Immediately

DETAILS: East Gippsland Shire has reported that shoaling has occurred in the approach channel to the Bastion Point Boat Ramp.

The shoaling has encroached across the width of the approach channel and extends from the end of the break wall inwards approximately 30 meters from the entrance along the approach channel towards the boat ramp.

Least depths recorded by the East Gippsland Shire Council indicate depths of less than 0.3m to 0.7m at 0.2m AHD.

Mariners are advised that the East Gippsland Shire Council will deploy Excavation machinery as necessary and the Suction Dredger will return to service when environmental conditions permit.

WARNING

Transits of the approach channel should only be carried out if there is sufficient height of tide taking into consideration the vessels draft, the existing sea state, predicted weather conditions for the duration of the voyage and the expected conditions and tide height for the time of return.

IF IN DOUBT DON'T GO OUT

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Mariners are also advised to take extra precaution when departing or approaching the Bastion Point Boat Ramp due to the compromised depth caused by the shoaling. Passengers should be briefed so they are aware of the heightened risk that may prevail at the time of departure or arrival.

WEAR A LIFEJACKET AT ALL TIMES

Further details can be obtained from Gippsland Ports Harbour Master Ph. 0427 610 025

CHART Chart Aus. 805
AFFECTED: ENC Cell Au.438149

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AFFECTED: <https://www.gippslandports.vic.gov.au/boating/waterways-online/>

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