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The Evolution of Books and ePublications to 2012

Martin Walker

The charitable object of the RCC Pilotage Foundation is 'to advance the education of the public in the science and practice of navigation'. This it may do by revising and publishing pilot books, providing free navigational information and guidance on its website and by promoting the development and maintenance of pilotage, navigation and other aids to safety at sea.

Millennium Lighthouse – The Beaulieu River Beacon **50° 47'.08N 01° 21'.81W**

This Lighthouse was funded by the Friends of the Beaulieu River and the RCC Pilotage Foundation; it was opened on 8 July 2000 by the Lord Lieutenant of Hampshire.

Occ WRG 4s 13m 4/3M
Sectors Green 321°-331°, White 331°-337°, Red 337°-347°



The 7.6m beacon is positioned in the garden of Lepe House and indicates a safe approach into the Beaulieu River. It replaced a decaying unlit rear transit mark. The light provides a 7° white sector with green and red sectors to indicate to approaching craft that they are moving off the safe channel. (Photo December 2014)

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Introduction

My appreciation of the work of the RCC Pilotage Foundation probably starts through their Yachting Monthly 1980s series of 'Classic Passages', extracts of which I still have on board. Then in 1993, after days of browsing in nautical bookshops, I bought twelve PF books in preparation for long distance sailing. Research had shown me that these books were simply the best available. Those editions lived up to expectation during my next seven years of extended sailing - though it took at least another ten years for all plans in those books to be properly usable with the excellent Decca, and subsequently GPS, electronic devices available to yachtsmen.

This work is based primarily on my experience as a member of the RCCPF Management Committee from August 2003 and Director from April 2004 to September 2012. During this time I gathered old editions of pilot books to try and track their history and reflect it in my Forewords to new editions. The RCCPF aims to issue high quality products to help the navigator. In 2002, Kit Power reflected on 'The First 25 Years' when books predominated; now, epublications are becoming increasingly important and their development is shown here. All need people and organisation to make things happen. I have touched on the earlier history of the Pilotage Foundation and tried to record the progress for the ten years after 2002. Errors or gaps may be corrected if further information and images become available.

RCCPF meets its charitable objectives through its products so I have attempted to trace the brief history of each book and epublication, through images, and then give some background to how matters developed as the electronic era evolved. I am grateful to Willie Wilson of Imray, Richard Marsh, Peter Price and Ros Hogbin for their comments and images.



Martin Walker December 2014



RCCPF – PRODUCT DEVELOPMENT TIMELINE

(Books/events are listed in order of when first published by the Pilotage Foundation; books with copyright or sole right to use donated* had origins going back many years)

1980	North Brittany Pilot	*Blondie Haslar/Adlard Coles
	North Biscay Pilots	*Adlard Coles 1959
1983	Atlantic Crossing Guide	
1986	Classic Passages	published by Yachting Monthly
1988	Atlantic Spain and Portugal	
1989	Atlantic Islands	
1991	North Africa	
	Lesser Antilles	
1992	The Baltic Sea	
1995	Faroe, Iceland Greenland	
1997	Islas Baleares	*Brandon 1976
	West Africa	
	Pacific Crossing Guide	
	The Channel Islands	(*originally Malcolm Robinson)
1998	Mediterranean Spain Costas Sol & Blanca	*Robin Brandon 1976
	Chile	
1999	Mediterranean Spain Costas Azahar, Dorada & Brava*	Robin Brandon 1976
	The Isles of Scilly	*Robin Brandon
1999	Desk Top Publishing	
2000	The Millennium Beacon	
2000	South Biscay	*Robin Brandon 1971
2001	Corsica and North Sardinia	*Robin Brandon 1976
2003	South Atlantic Circuit	
	Havens and Anchorages	
	Lawson Passage Planning Guides	
2005	Introduction of epilots	
	Expansion of PPGs	
2007	Norway	
2009	Argentina	
	Interactive epilots	
	Interactive CD	
2012	The Black Sea	(*Doreen and Archie Annan 2000)
	In preparation – Arctic and Northern Waters	
	Brazil	
	Kindle Editions	
	PPG U5	
	South Georgia	
	Fiji	

Most books are currently published by Imray, Laurie, Norie and Wilson. The exceptions are:

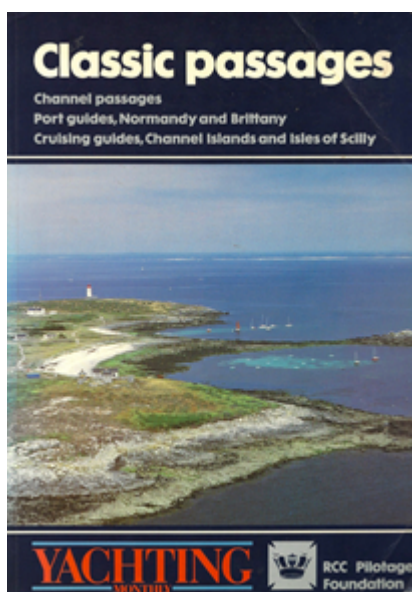
Atlantic and Pacific Crossing Guides – Bloomsbury – ex AC Black ex Adlard Coles
South Atlantic Circuit** and Havens** – On Board Publications
West Africa** and Argentina** – RCCPF by print on demand (POD)
(** these books are marketed by Imray on behalf of RCCPF)

CLASSIC PASSAGES

Classic Passages was a series of articles written by RCCPF authors and published by Yachting Monthly. Aerial photographs were by Patrick Roach. The articles were combined later into a book by Andrew Bray:

1st Edition 1986

2nd Edition 1987



Classic Passages included popular crossings and coastal passages in the English Channel, listed below, and also Port Guides to the French Coast – Normandy, North Brittany and South Brittany – by Kitty Hampton and James Mather.

South Coast to Cherbourg	Andrew Bray
Dover Straits	Michael Lewin-Harris
Eastern Channel	Michael Greville
South Coast to Quiberon	Linda and Martin Hunter
Chenal du Four and Raz de Sein	Kitty Hampton
South Coast to the Isles of Scilly	David Batten
Cruising Guide to the Isles of Scilly	Andrew Bray and Peter Lambie
Channel Island Approaches	Christopher Thornhill
Channel Island Cruising Guide	David Jefferson
Channel Islands to France	David Ridout

Many of these early authors have continued to contribute to the work of the Pilotage Foundation; their works, within the Pilotage Foundation's extensive book and web publications, now range from the Baltic to the Isles of Scilly, from the most northern reaches of the Pacific to New Zealand and from the South Atlantic to Greenland.

1977 to 2012

BOOKS

Books Summary 2012

Books' Evolution

Notes on 'New Look'

Stopped Projects

Images of books in this section follow the broad line North to South. Those started in 2012 or before, and published in 2013 and 2014, have been recorded as Afternotes.

Abbreviations:

PF for RCCPF, Imray for publishers Imray, Laurie, Norie and Wilson, RCC for Royal Cruising Club, CA for Cruising Association, OCC for Ocean Cruising Club, PPG for Passage Planning Guide (covers routing, area to area compared to a book or epilot which generally covers a cruising area – the exceptions being the Atlantic, Pacific and South Atlantic Crossing Guides which specifically covered planning)

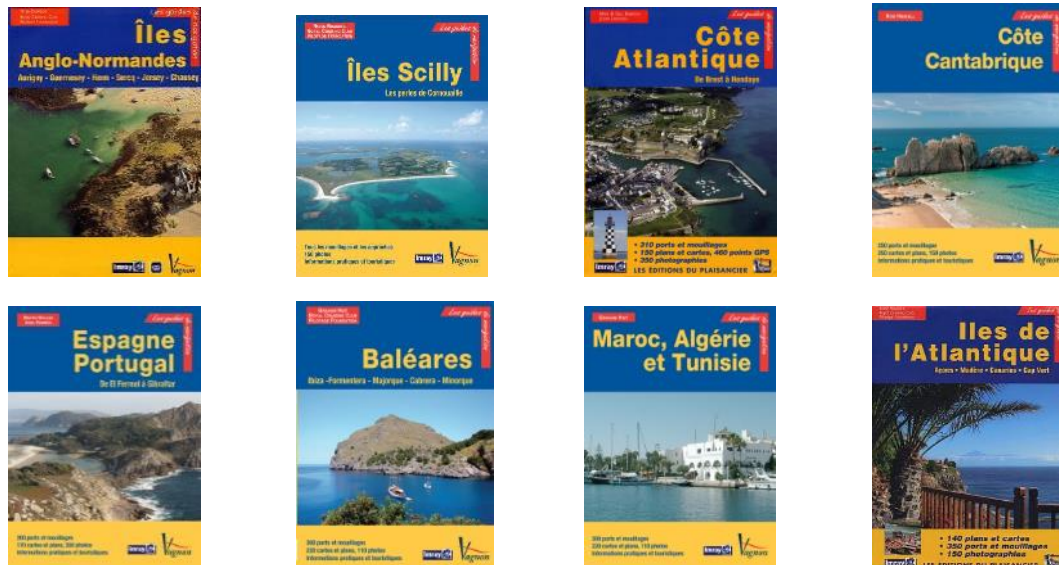
RCC PILOTAGE FOUNDATION PUBLICATIONS 2012



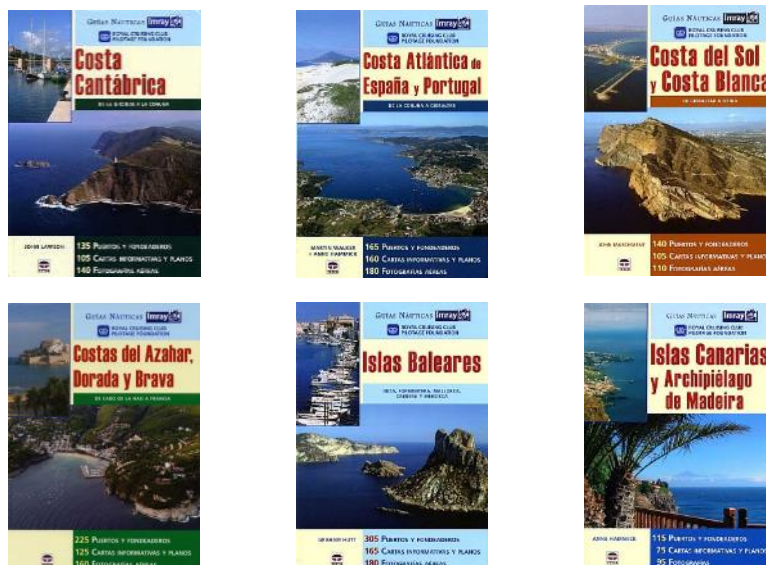
FOREIGN EDITIONS

After the introduction of 'New Look' in all PF books from 2004, Imray were able to increase our foreign edition contracts from 6 books to 18 books – royalties followed.

French



Spanish



Italian

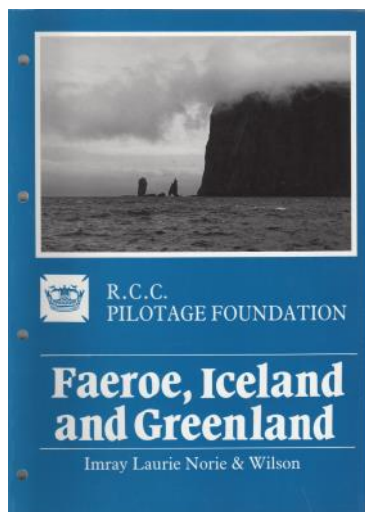


German

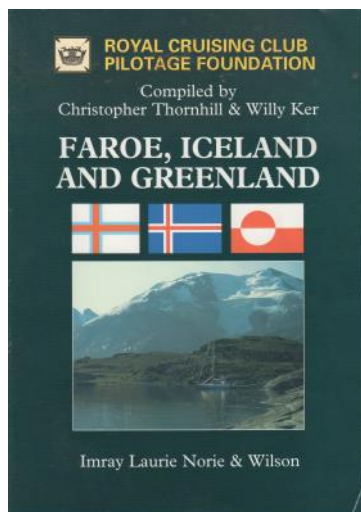


FAEROE, ICELAND AND GREENLAND – FIG (Imray ISBN: 0 85288 765 5)

1st Edition 1995
Oz Robinson



2nd Edition 1998
Thornhill and Ker



3rd Edition 2004
Willy Ker

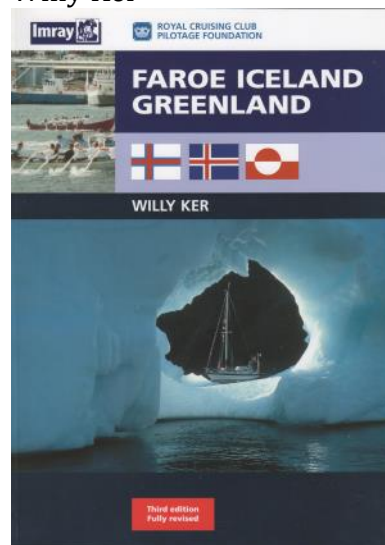


FIG was first prepared in 1995, by Oz Robinson, (with information primarily from Christopher Thornhill for Faroe and Iceland and John Grimes and Willy Ker for Greenland) to act as a 'supplement' to UKHO publications as a view from the perspective of a cruising yacht. The 2nd edition followed in 1998 edited by Thornhill and Ker.

It was followed by the 3rd edition in 2004; Willy Ker now led the project – with input from Katherine Ingram - with Ros Hogbin assisting with the editorial task and the inclusion of colour and photographs.

FIG is about sailing in the North Atlantic roughly from latitude 60°N to the Arctic Circle and, in Greenland, into the regions of ice as far north as 71°N on the East Coast and 78°N on the West Coast. The sailing is challenging, the rewards can be immense - real solitude, history, magnificent scenery, pulsating wildlife, friendly people. This book is a guide to these waters.

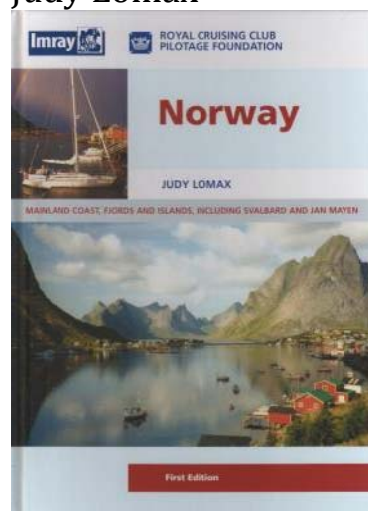


Willy Ker

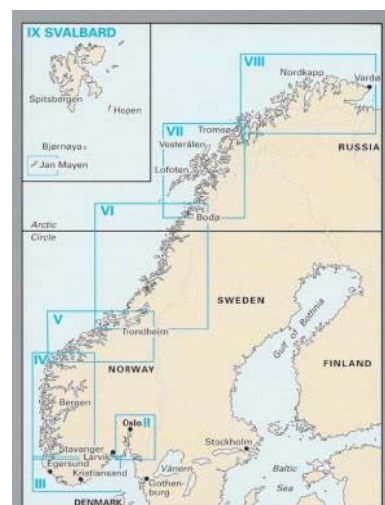
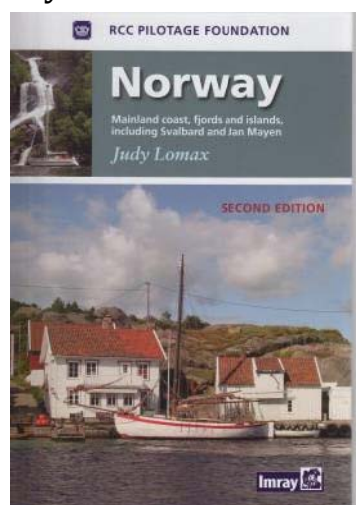
Afternote: In 2014 this book was subsumed into a new book *Arctic and Northern waters*.

1st Edition 2007

Judy Lomax

2nd Edition 2010

Judy Lomax



Producing a pilot book to cover the vast cruising grounds of Norway was a massive challenge and the Pilotage Foundation was fortunate that Judy Lomax was prepared to devote so much time to presenting her vast experience of the country. The 1st edition in 2007 proved so popular – even to non-English speakers - that the second edition followed in 2010.

RCC Pilotage Foundation Norway is a cruising guide to the mainland coast, fjords and islands of Norway, including Svalbard and Jan Mayen. The relatively benign sailing in the south, with its superb scenery and friendly people, make this a rewarding cruising area for crews who are equipped and prepared to be self-contained. The far north is not for the faint hearted, but RCCPF Norway includes the necessary pilotage information to guide your more challenging passage-making as you sail north above the Arctic Circle. Judy Lomax has drawn on her many years' experience of cruising Norwegian waters and has used detailed cruising notes compiled and donated by other cruising yachtsmen. RCCPF Norway includes a comprehensive introduction to the country and sound advice about preparation. Colour plans and some stunning photographs highlight areas of interest and help with passage planning. Navigation is made easier with the clear and concise details of routes and anchorages, from the Swedish border and Oslo in the south, all the way round to the Russian border and up into the high Arctic. Interesting local facts, history and myths are interwoven with passage details to make the RCCPF Norway pilot book the essential companion for any cruising sailors heading for Norwegian waters.



Judy Lomax

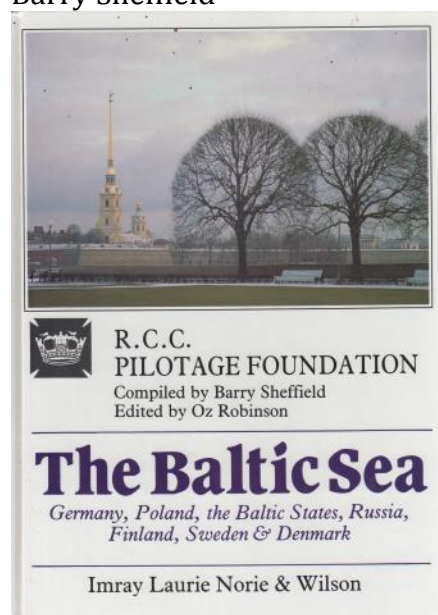
THE BALTIC SEA

(Imray

ISBN: 9781846231872 £40)

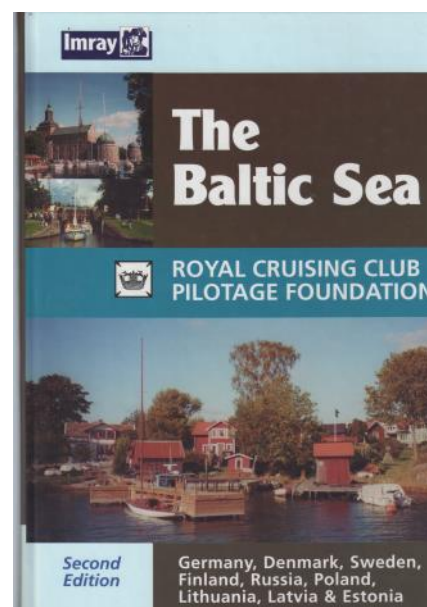
1st Edition 1992

Barry Sheffield



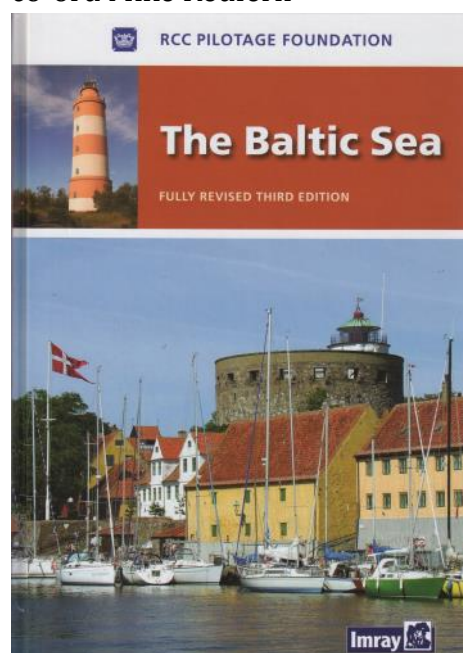
2nd Edition 2003

co-ord Anne Hammick



3rd Edition 2010

co-ord Mike Redfern



Stan Townsend produced a pilot book covering the western part of the Baltic in 1976 but it was only after the break up of the Soviet Union that cruising yachtsmen could start to fully explore this vast area.

Barry Sheffield prepared the first edition of *The Baltic Sea* in 1992. The aim was to provide basic pilotage information for the major ports of all the countries and indicate areas worthy of exploration. This approach set the scene for subsequent editions that grew as the more eastern countries started to open up. Anne Hammick led the preparation of the 2nd edition with Francis Walker and Sandy Watson covering Denmark and Germany respectively.

The 3rd edition (2003) extended the range to fully cover all the countries bordering the Baltic and was even more of a team effort with authors tackling each country. They were initially led by Mike Lewin-Harris and the book was completed under the guidance of Mike Redfern. The major contributors are shown below:

Germany, Poland, Denmark
Russia, Kaliningrad
Lithuania, Latvia, Estonia
Finland
Sweden

Jeremy Parkinson
Jeremy Parkinson and Vladimir Ivankiv
Graham & Fay Cattell
Tony & Jill Vasey, and Mike Redfern
Michael Lewin-Harris, Bruce Weir
Mike Redfern

The Baltic Sea is a comprehensive overview of all the cruising areas within the Baltic. This 3rd edition contained substantial changes including extended coverage of the West Coast of Sweden, the Gota Canal and Gulf of Bothnia. There is also more information on the Baltic states. Colour plans and enticing photographs highlight the areas of interest and help with pilotage and passage planning. RCCPF The Baltic Sea provides a general introduction to the popular cruising areas of Denmark, Finland, Sweden and Germany and covers key harbours in depth. Detailed pilotage information is given for more of the harbours along the coasts of Russia, Poland, Lithuania, Latvia and Estonia.

The nine countries bordering the Baltic Sea offer a great diversity of cruising, providing something for everyone. Families with young children, experienced and novice sailors alike, those looking for coastal cruising or lengthier passages, secluded anchorages or bustling historic ports, will all find the Baltic a rewarding cruising ground. RCCPF The Baltic Sea contains a wealth of background information and is an essential guide for anyone planning to cruise Baltic waters.



Mike Redfern



Mike Lewin-Harris



Jeremy Parkinson



Bruce Weir



Graham and Fay Cattell



Jill and Tony Vasey



Vladimir Ivankiv



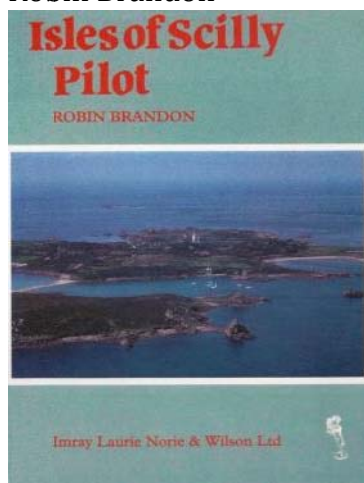
ISLES OF SCILLY

(Imray ISBN: 97808526888506 £25)

Originally by Robin Brandon Editions 1st-1980, 2nd-1983

3rd 1994

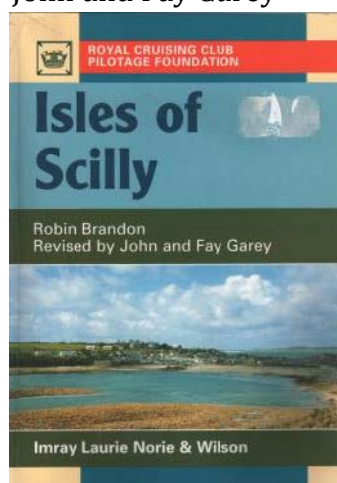
Robin Brandon



4th Edition

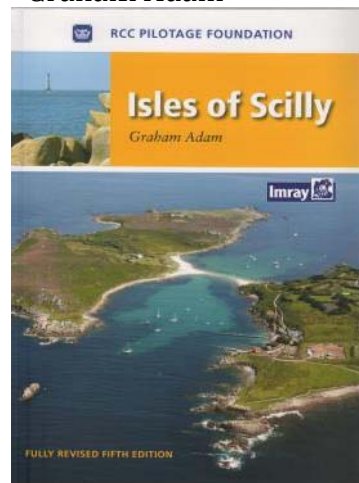
1999

John and Fay Garey



5th Edition 2010

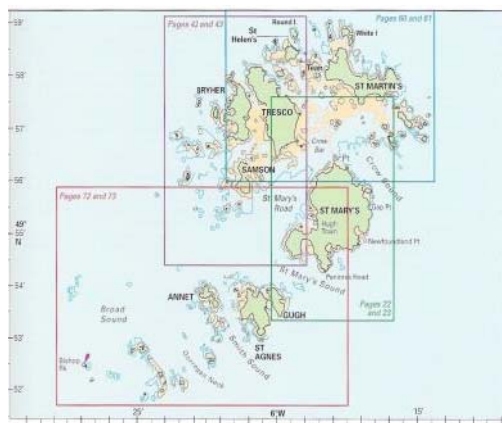
Graham Adam



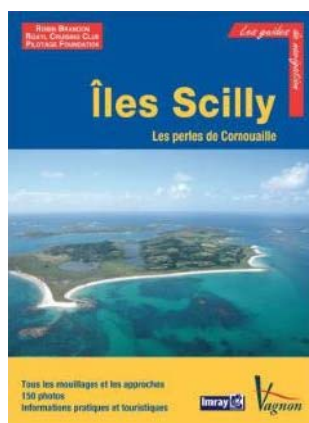
Robin Brandon produced the earlier yachtsmen's pilots for the Isles of Scilly (1980, 1983 and 1994) and generously passed copyright to the Pilotage Foundation. This led to the 4th edition (1999) being prepared by John and Fay Garey.

Their extensive edition formed the basis of the 4th edition (2010) which was authored by Graham Adam on a structure by Martin Walker with considerable photographic support by Mike Lewin-Harris from the ground and sea and Patrick Roach from the air.

Isles of Scilly is the essential companion for yachtsmen visiting this fascinating group of islands. Those going must work the tides and monitor the weather. Their reward will be a destination with a mild climate, clear Atlantic waters, fascinating history and rich flora and fauna. These sailing directions provide concise pilotage for the islands and the channels between them; anchorages are covered in detail.



French Edition



Graham Adam

THE CHANNEL ISLANDS

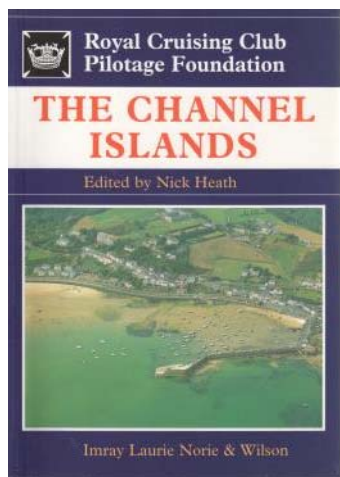
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(Imray

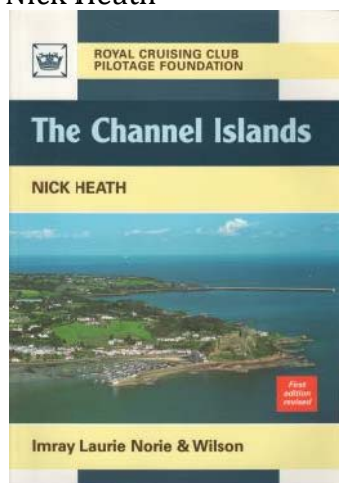
ISBN: 0852887906 £29.50)



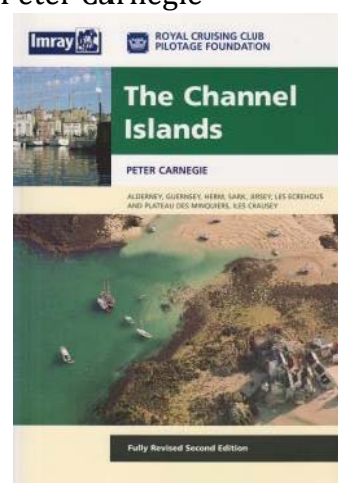
RCCPF 1st Edition 1997
Nick Heath



1st Edition Revised
Nick Heath



2nd Edition 2006
Peter Carnegie

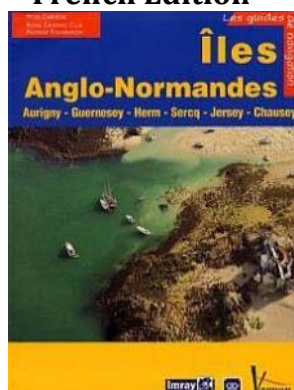


This area was originally included in Adlard Coles' Channel Harbours and Anchorages first published in 1956 – and including quotes from RCC FPI records. Later, Malcolm Robson gave copyright of all his books, including his Channel Islands Pilot to the Pilotage Foundation. His skill with drawing could not be maintained but his material, transferred from Nautical Books, formed the basis of the PF's 1st edition of *The Channel Islands* by Nick Heath in 1997. A revised edition was published in 2000.

Peter Carnegie took on authorship for the 2nd edition in 2006. He updated and extended Nick Heath's work, taking air-photographs as well as testing all the extensive routes by sailing boat or RIB, and included detailed coverage of Plateau des Minquiers and Les Ecréhous as well as the French Island group of Iles Chausey. In accordance with 'New Look' – and the need to update datum to WGS84 - Ros Hogbin, and then Martin Walker, helped restructure the book so that this complicated area was presented in an easy to follow manner. *The Channel Islands* provides comprehensive pilotage for all the cruising areas within the Channel Islands.

In 2012 the intention was to merge the next edition of this book with Ch 1 (Cherbourg to St Malo) of *North Brittany* - to cover from St Vaast to St Malo including the Channel Islands – and incidentally covering the same ground as had Adlard Coles almost 60 years before.

French Edition



Peter Carnegie

NORTH BRITTANY

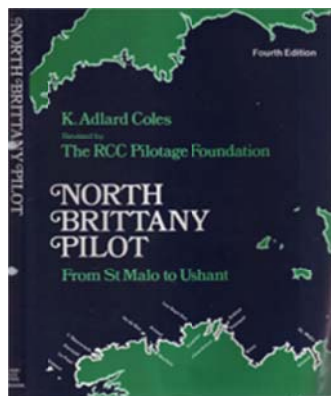
(NB&CI ISBN: 9781846230691 £29.50)
(Adlard Coles then Imray from 6th Edition)



1st Edition 1952
'Blondie' Haslar

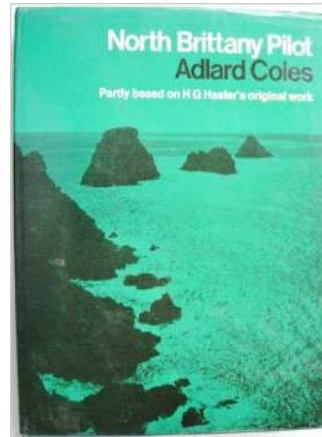
2nd Edition 1965
Adlard Coles

Revised by RCCPF for
4th Edition 1980
5th Edition 1984
Donald Beswick

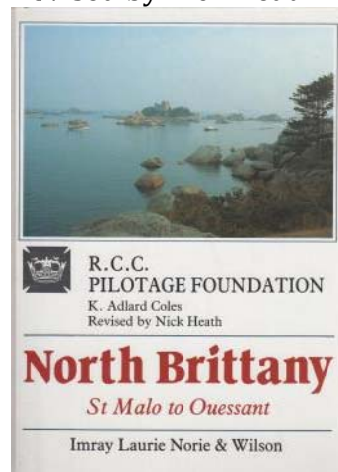


3rd Edition 1972

(reprinted with corrections: 1973, 1976, 1977)

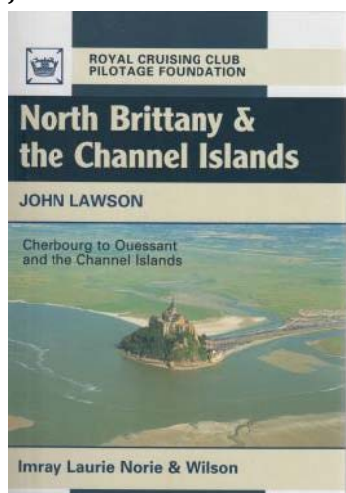


6th Edition 1992
Revised by Nick Heath

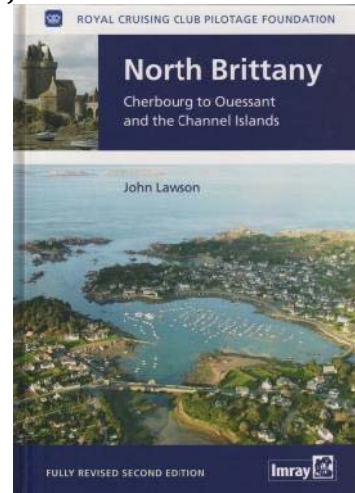


NORTH BRITTANY AND THE CHANNEL ISLANDS

1st Edition 2001
John Lawson



2nd Edition 2008
John Lawson Team



The North Brittany Pilot was the definitive guide to the French coast; it was first written as *Harbours and Anchorages of the North Coast of Brittany* by Blondie Haslar in 1952. It was revised and rewritten by Adlard Coles for publication in 1965 and again in 1972. The advent of the new IALA buoyage system necessitated a major revision and at this stage the copyright was passed to the Pilotage Foundation whose editor at the time – Donald Beswick produced the 4th edition in 1980. He also produced the 5th edition in 1987 and this included detailed guidance to the inshore, rock hopping passages between ports.

The material was transferred from Adlard Coles to Imray and Nick Heath continued the modernisation of the information using colour sea and air photographs for his 6th edition in 1992.

The scope of the book now changed and, with John Lawson at the helm, it was enlarged to include the west coast of the Cherbourg peninsula and the main harbours of the Channel Islands so that, in one volume, the yachtsman had information on the whole fascinating cruising area from Cherbourg to Ushant. With a change in title to *North Brittany and the Channel Islands* the book was published in 2001.

It was succeeded in 2008 by the 2nd edition now titled (at the request of Imray the publisher) *North Brittany*. Although the background work had been prepared by John Lawson his illness and subsequent death meant the book was a collaborative effort to visit the whole area. Martin Walker revised Chapter 1 from Cherbourg to St Malo, Peter Carnegie prepared the Channel Island Chapter 2 and Peter Taylor and Robin Rundle revised the whole of the Brittany coast. The book also included the port details of Camaret from *North Biscay* so that the yachtsman no longer had to change pilot books in mid channel. Martin Walker oversaw the restructuring of the book to a common datum and maintained it until William Bourne took over as monitoring author in 2010.



John Lawson
Concept



Martin Walker
Ch1 and editor



Peter Carnegie
Ch 2



Peter Taylor/R Rundle
Ch 3 & 4



William Bourne

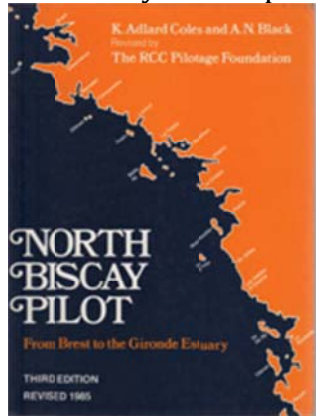
Because of the overlap with *The Channel Islands* The Foundation and Imray decided in 2012 that it would be better to modify the coverage of the two books. The first (in preparation for 2013/14) would be to cover the Cherbourg Peninsula (starting in St Vaast) and the Channel Islands and revert the second book to cover North Brittany.

NORTH BISCAY AND ATLANTIC FRANCE (ISBN: 29781846232800 £37.50)
(Adlard Coles then Imray from 5th Edition)

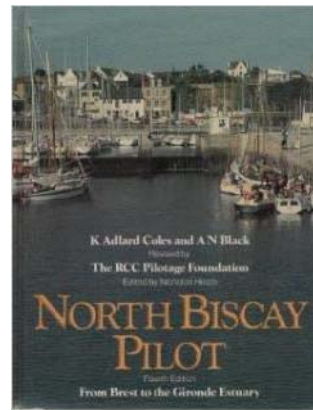
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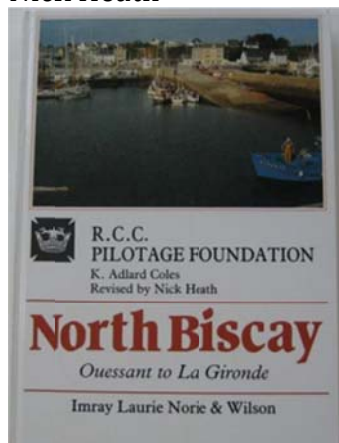
Passed to RCCPF
3rd Edition 1982
Revised by Christopher Biddle



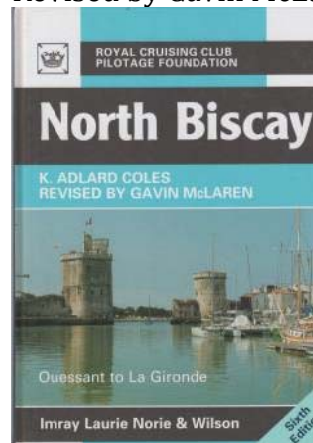
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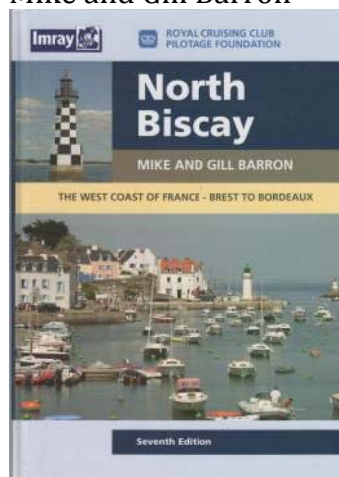
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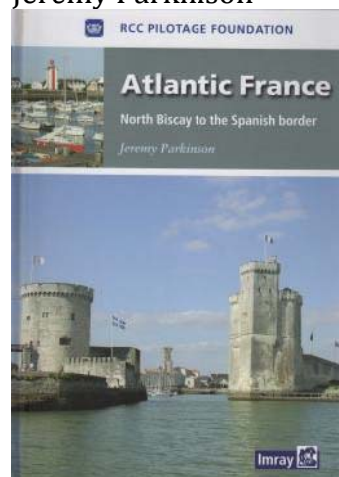
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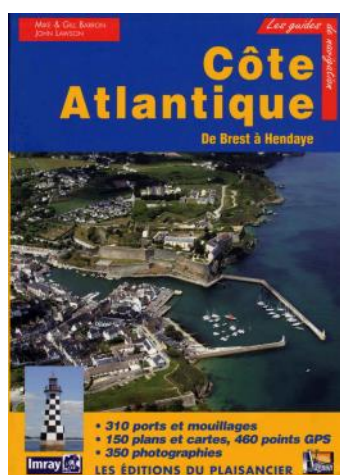
New Book 2005
7th Edition
Mike and Gill Barron



Extended Book 2010
Atlantic France 1st Edition
Jeremy Parkinson



French Edition



Jeremy Parkinson

Pilot books for Biscay started with Frank Cowper's *Sailing Tours – Falmouth to the Loire* - at the end of the nineteenth century. This was followed by Hanson's *Cruising Association Handbook*. After WWII Adlard Coles cruised the area at length and, in 1959 and 1960, produced the two volumes of *Biscay Harbours and Anchorages*. Subsequently Robin Brandon prepared the *South Biscay Pilot* and Adlard Cole produced the *North Biscay Pilot* - around 1970 with an update in 1977.

The introduction of the IALA buoyage system required a third edition and, with Adlard Coles passing his copyright to the RCC Pilotage Foundation, Christopher Biddle produced the 3rd edition in 1982.

This was revised and reprinted in 1985 and 1987; the 4th Edition was published in 1990 following revision by Nick Heath. The material was then transferred from Adlard Coles to Imray for a 5th Edition in 1994 - by Nick Heath. The 6th edition (1999) by Gavin McLaren included air-photographs by Peter Carnegie and marked 40 years of regular updating of Adlard Coles' original work.

The 7th edition (2005) saw a major change in the way the pilotage information was presented and marked the first of what the Pilotage Foundation called the 'New Look' where the presentation concentrated on ease of use for the user. The work to identify change was no less arduous than before but a major additional emphasis was given to presenting the information in a highly structured way with plans cascading from small to large scale, and all plans being upgraded to WGS84 which was the basis for all waypoints introduced for the first time for the PF. Mike and Gill Barron took on this challenge and produced an excellent pilot book which set the tone for all later publications. The aim was for a user friendly, logical layout with the updated content presented as suitable for both traditional and GPS assisted navigation.

The French were so impressed with the clarity of presentation of this 'New Look' edition that they introduced a French edition; for completeness, they wanted the book to include the coast from the Gironde (which was *North Biscay's* southern boundary) to the French /Spanish border. This was achieved by including Part I of *South Biscay* into *Côte Atlantique*. Within a few years eight PF titles had been issued in French,

When it was time to update North Biscay again it was decided that the PF book should also be extended to cover the whole of the west coast of France - pilotage coverage was also started from L'Aberwrac'h rather than in mid Chenal du Four. Jeremy Parkinson now took on this major task - with recce assistance from Peter Taylor and Robin Rundle - in what became, in 2010, the new 1st edition of *Atlantic France*.

SOUTH BISCAY



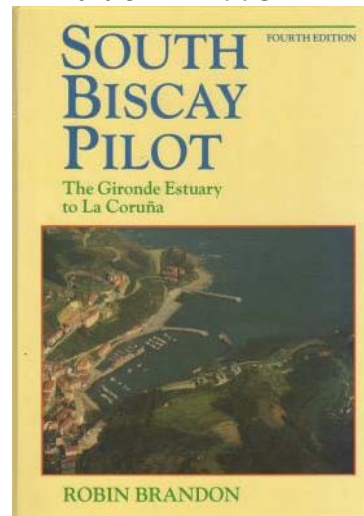
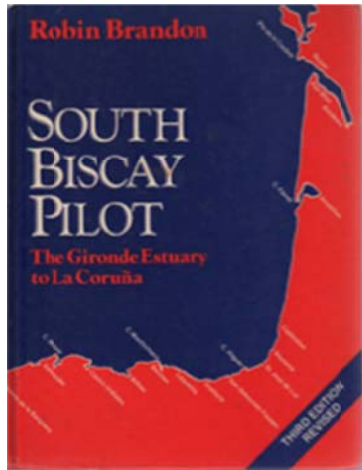
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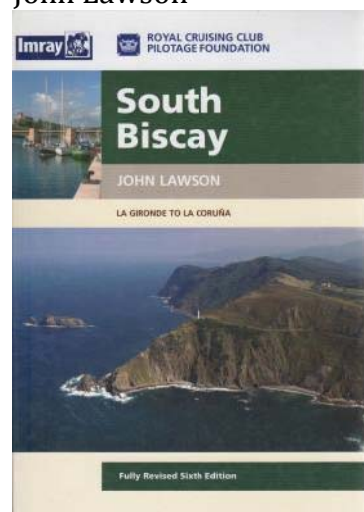
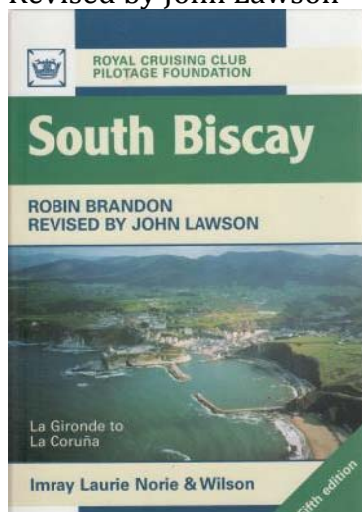
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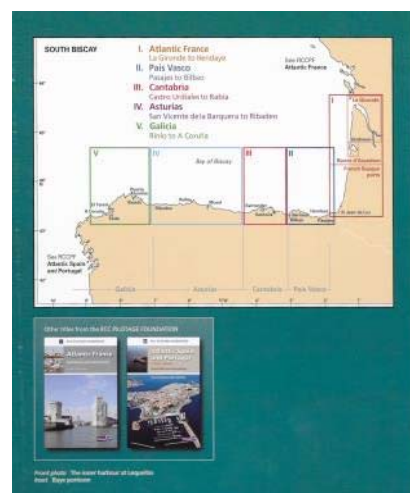
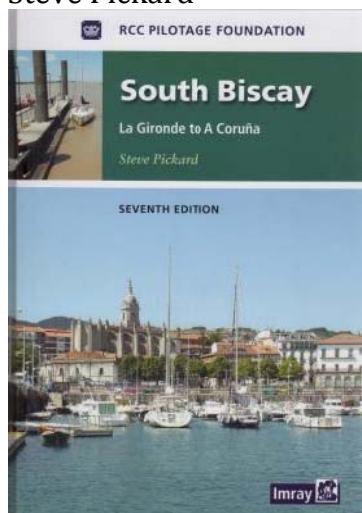


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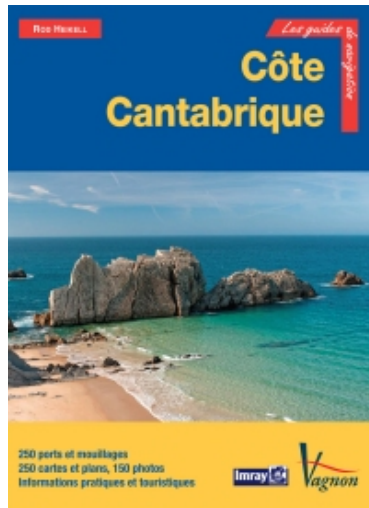
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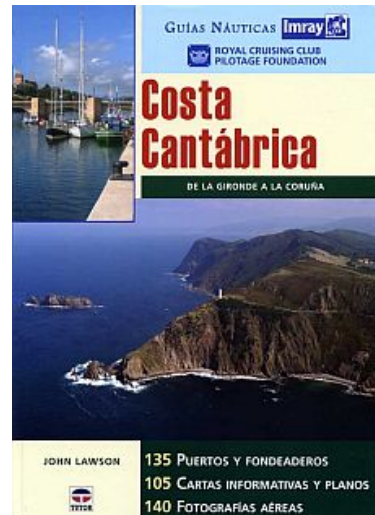
7th Edition 2012
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French Edition



Spanish Edition



Adlard Coles produced the original pilotage volumes for South Biscay before Robin Brandon introduced his 1st edition in 1971, followed by updates and a 2nd edition in 1977. By 1984 the Franco regime was over and Brandon reflects on this in his Preface to the 3rd edition in 1984 which he again revised in 1995.

Copyright passed to the Pilotage Foundation and John Lawson updated the work for the 5th edition in 2000.

The next revision, 6th in 2006, encompassed the New Look presentation and datum/GPS demands. John Lawson was now very ill, and indeed died shortly before the final proof of the book was available, but he had prepared the pilotage detail and layout and briefed for the detailed recce by Peter Taylor and Robin Rundle. The final book structure and editing was coordinated by Martin Walker who managed the updates and Supplements to the book pending a new author.

Steve Pickard took over this project in 2009 and sailed the whole of this coast before preparing the 7th edition in 2012.

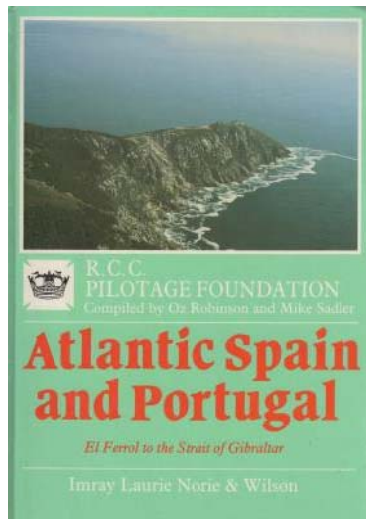


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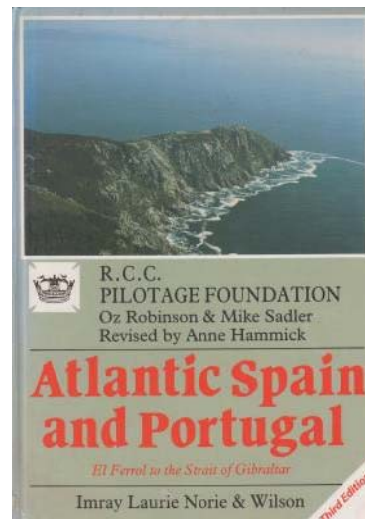
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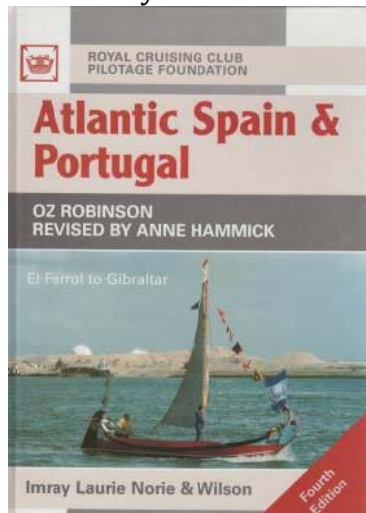
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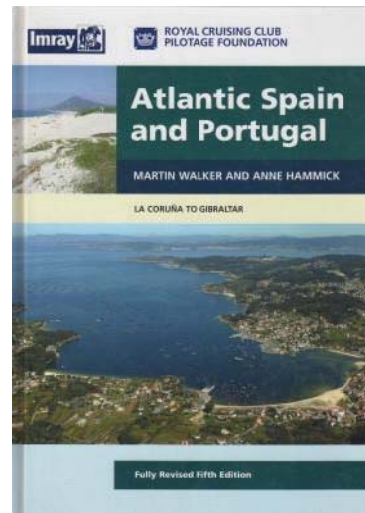
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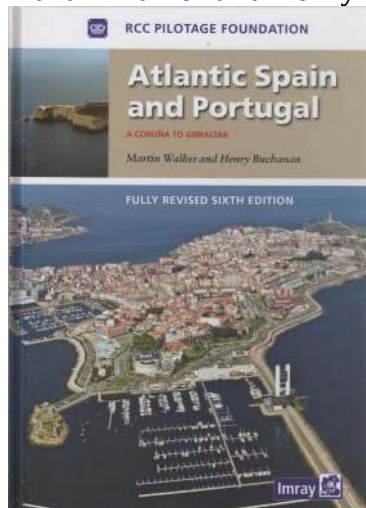
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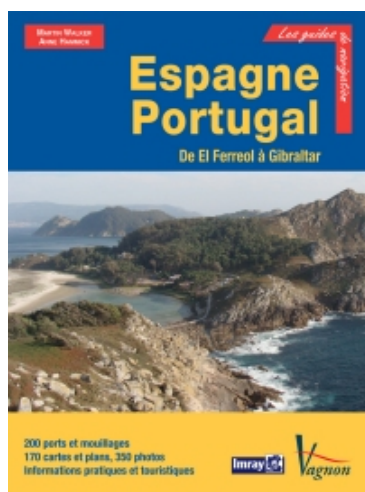
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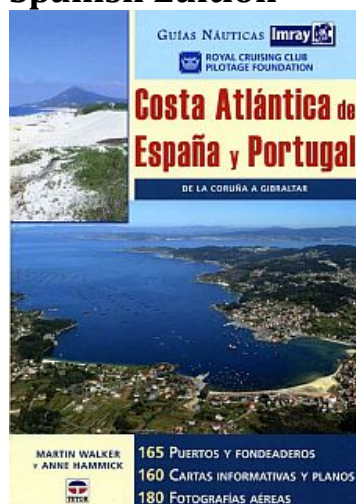
6th Edition 2010
Martin Walker and Henry Buchanan



French Edition



Spanish Edition



Atlantic Spain and Portugal was the Foundation's first new book and was planned to fill a major gap in the yachtsman's coverage of the European seaboard. Over the years this book has proved to be one of the Foundation's most popular pilots as it appeals both to the yachtsmen who spend time in the Rias of Galicia as well as those heading south for the Mediterranean or for an Atlantic trade wind crossing.

The 1st edition was published in 1988 with a 2nd edition needed in 1990. Anne Hammick took on the task of revision for the 3rd, with Oz Robinson taking the air photographs, and also 4th editions, 1995 and 2000. By now the extensive coastline covering two countries, with its ever-extending harbours and marinas was proving to be beyond the task of a single author. With the added 'New Look' demands of upgrading the book structure and conversion to WGS84, and adding waypoints, Martin Walker took over Galicia for the 5th, 2006 edition with Anne Hammick again updating Portugal and southern Spain. Comprehensive air photography was by Patrick Roach. This edition became available in both French and Spanish.

Consideration was given to splitting what was becoming a very large book but in due course, and for the 6th edition in 2010, Henry Buchanan took over the Portugal and the southern Spanish chapter (Ch 2&3) from Anne Hammick with Martin Walker retaining the fast developing Galicia (Ch 1).



Martin Walker
Ch1



Henry Buchanan
Ch2&3

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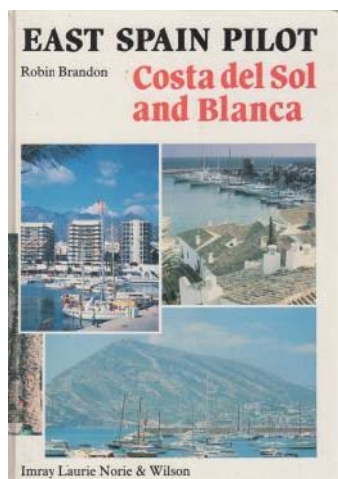
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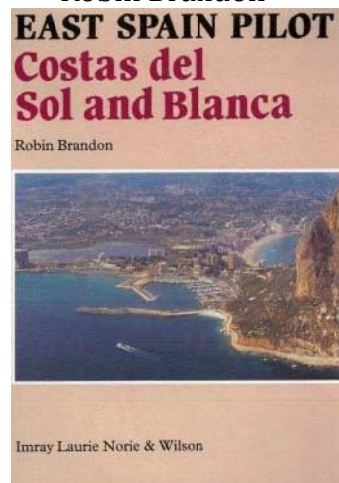
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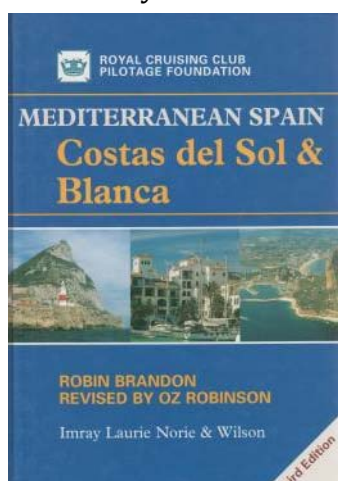
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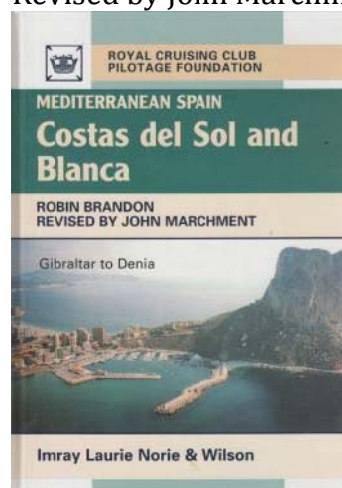
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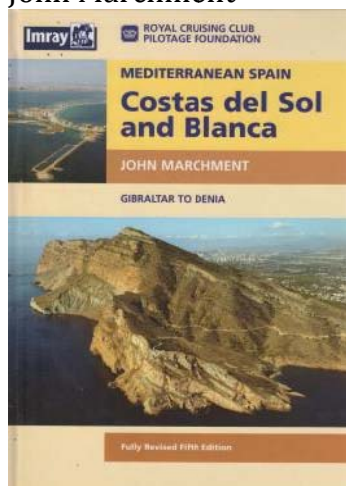
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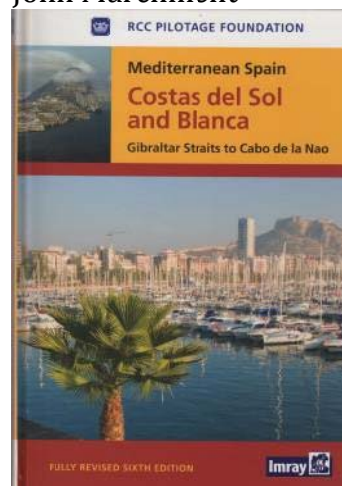
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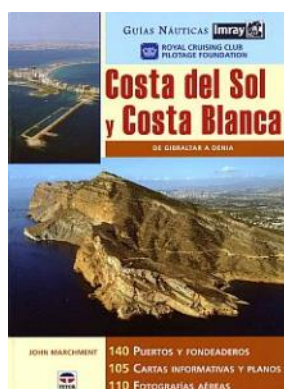
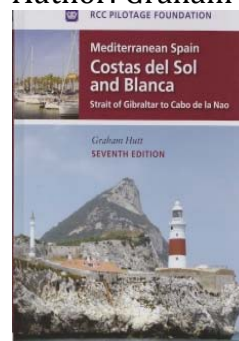
John Marchment continued to monitor change and his work led to the 6th Edition in 2009 – this time with ground recce contributions by Peter Taylor and Robin Rundle, Graham Hutt, and John Marchment. The book was also extended slightly. This included changes at La Linea next to Gibraltar and gave an overlap with the companion volume to provide a smooth information flow for Yachtsmen heading on to the Balears.

Spanish Edition



Afternote 7th Edition

7th Edition 2014
Author: Graham Hutt



John Marchment
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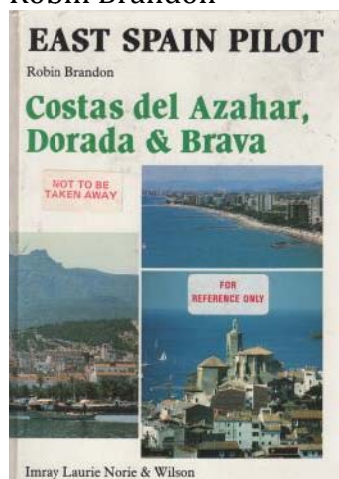
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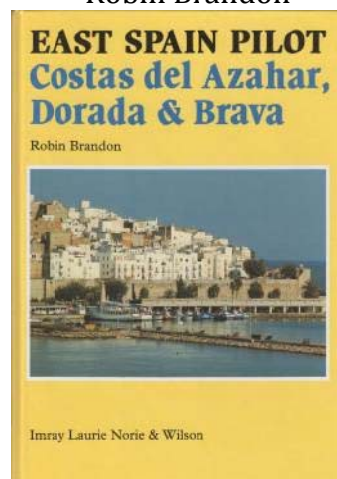
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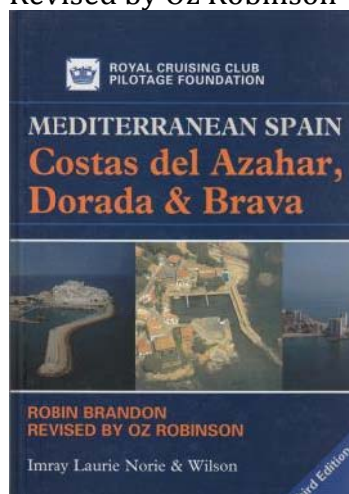
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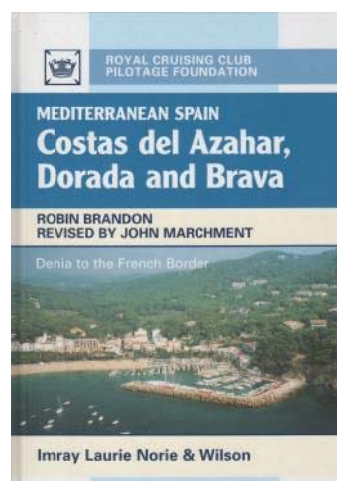
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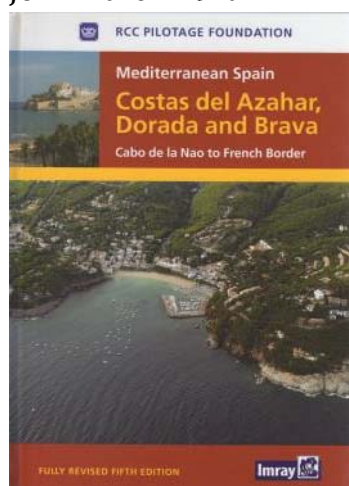


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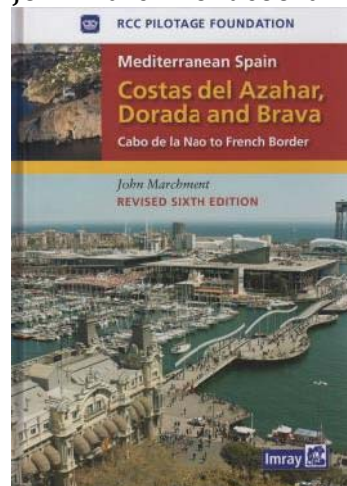
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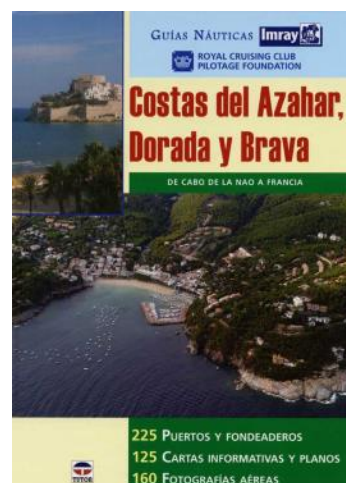
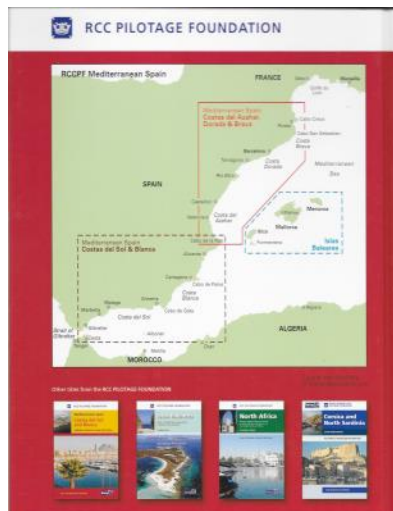
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Spanish Edition



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ISLAS BALEARES

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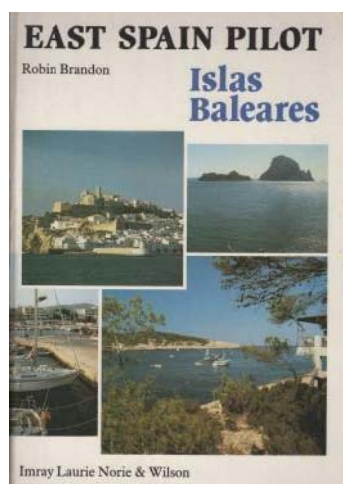
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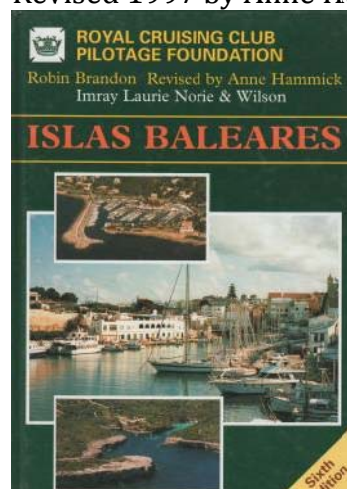
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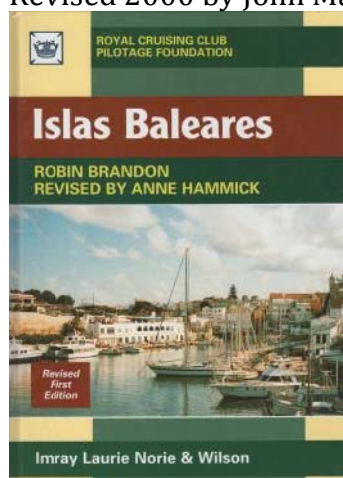
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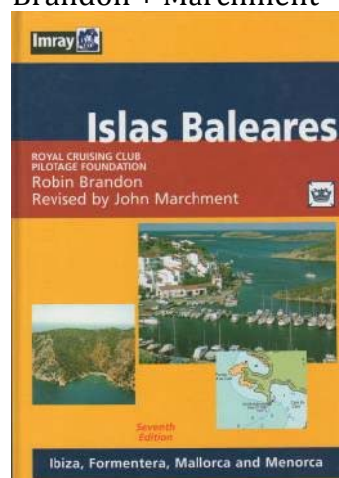
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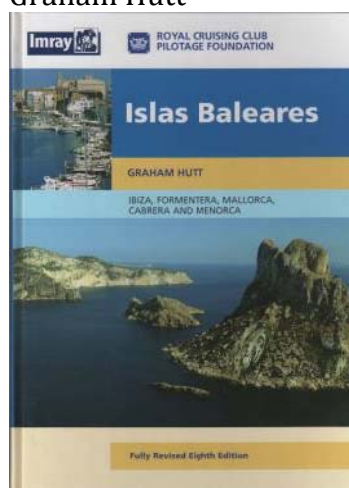
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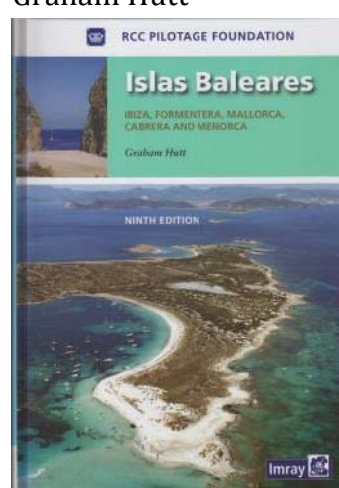
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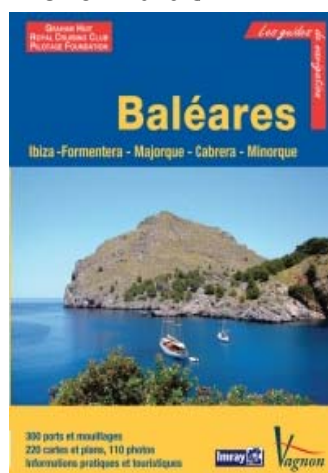


Islas Baleares has long been the Pilotage Foundation's most popular book (in terms of numbers sold). It started life in 1977 as Part II of *the East Spain Pilot* by Robin Brandon. 2nd 3rd 4th and 5th editions followed until the mid 1990s when Robin Brandon gave his copyright to the Pilotage Foundation.

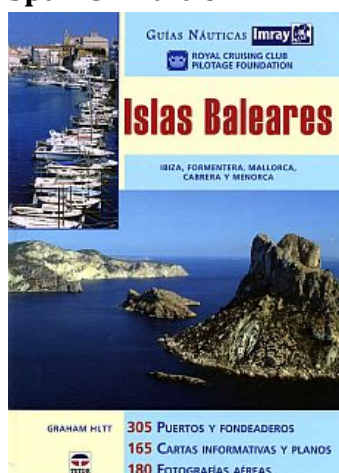
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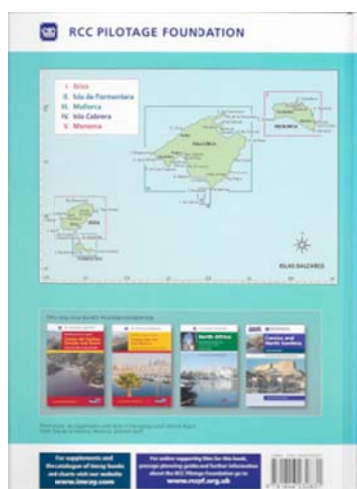
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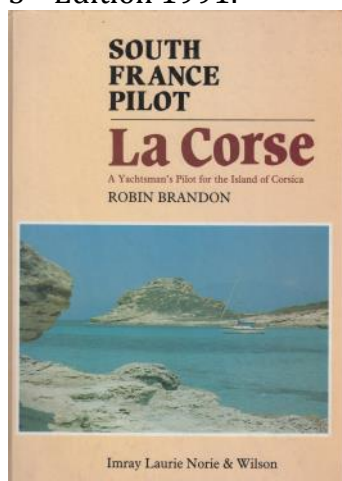


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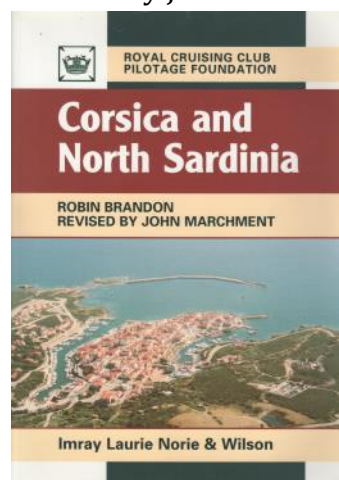
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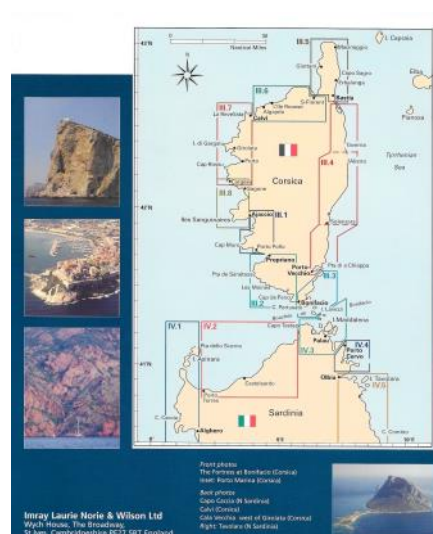
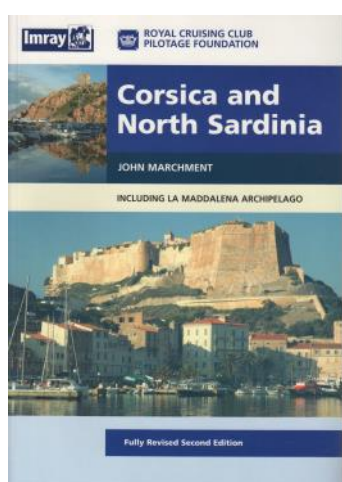
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2nd Edition 1983
3rd Edition 1991.



RCC PF 1st Edition 2001
Robin Brandon
Revised by John Marchment



2nd Edition NEW 2007
John Marchment



The origins of this book date back to work by Robin Brandon and his original reconnaissance of La Corse in 1974/75; this led to the first edition in 1976 followed, after several more visits, by the second edition in 1983 - this included an updated Introduction from Robin Brandon's *South France Pilot* - with a third edition in 1991.

Subsequently Robin Brandon passed the copyright to his book to the RCCPF. The first edition under the RCC Pilotage Foundation came out in 2001. John Marchment had revised Brandon's original work and for completeness included North Sardinia.

The second edition updated the earlier work with John Marchment providing the pilotage updates and Ros Hogbin and Martin Walker concentrating on its structure and presentation as well as bringing in full colour, updating all plans to WGS84 and providing waypoints.

Italian Edition.

il Frangente John Marchment

Corsica e Nord Sardegna



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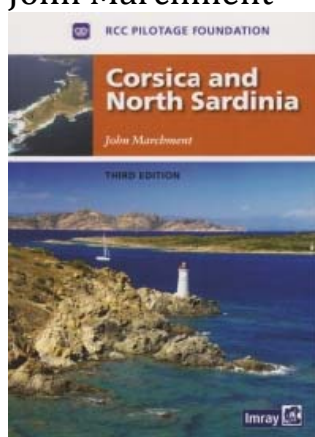
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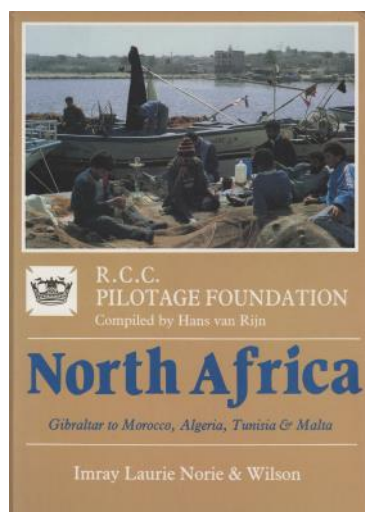
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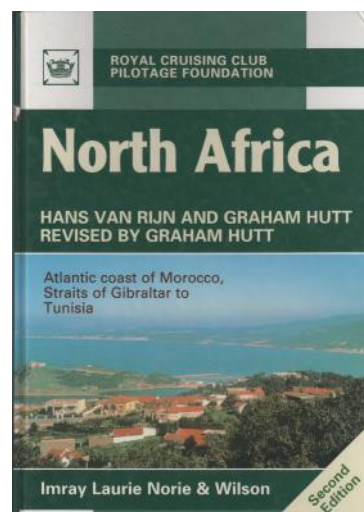
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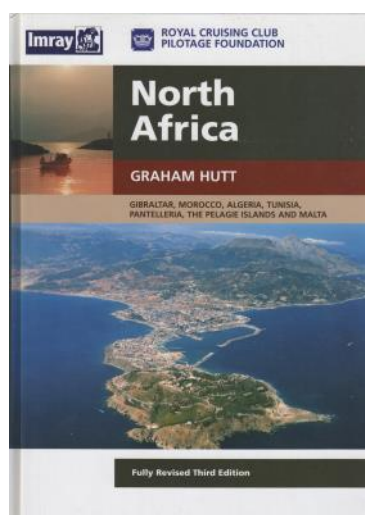


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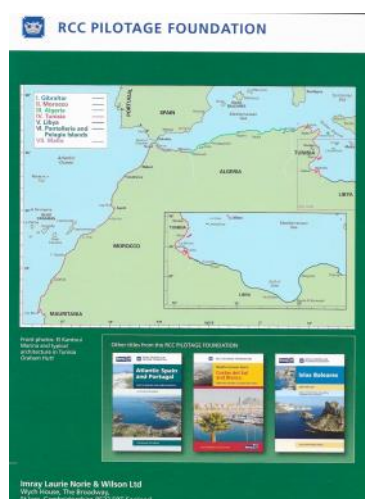
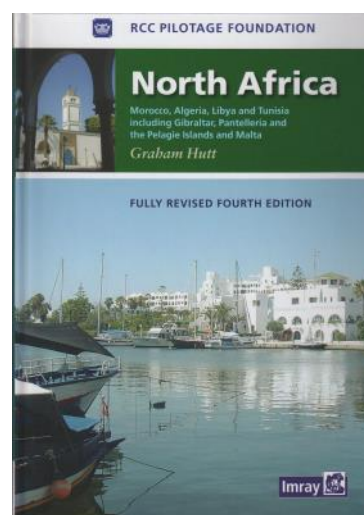
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Revised by Graham Hutt



3rd Edition 2005
Graham Hutt



4th Edition 2010
Graham Hutt



The 1st edition of North Africa (1991) resulted from extensive cruising by Hans van Rijn along the African Mediterranean coast from Gibraltar to Malta. His work was updated, and significantly extended to include the Atlantic coast of Morocco, by Graham Hutt to provide the 2nd edition (2000).

The third edition (2005), again by Graham Hutt, was restructured in line with the other books of this period and was further extended to include Pantelleria and the Pelagie Islands. This was a major undertaking both from the political viewpoint and also in bringing the book to WGS standard. Unlike the European charts, which had been well maintained and gradually moving to WGS84 from the European 150 datum, many of the charts Graham Hutt had to deal with were to varying or no datum. His own surveys using GPS and observations helped resolve this difficulty.

Rapid changes along the coast were included in the 4th Edition by Graham Hutt who continued to sail the North African coast of the Mediterranean from his base in Gibraltar.

French Edition



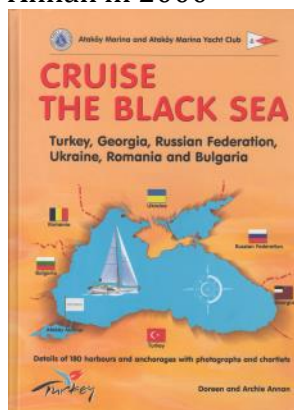
Italian Edition



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THE BLACK SEA

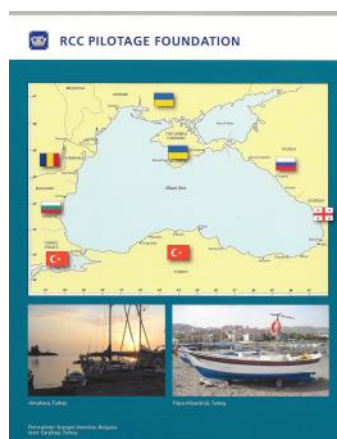
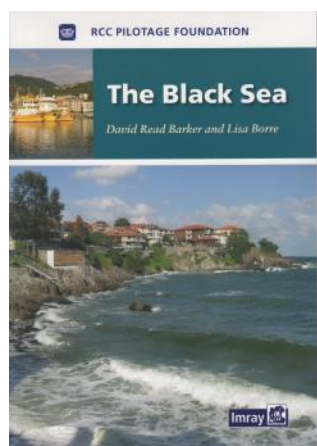
Original work by Archie and Doreen Annan in 2000



Although Imray had published books with limited information on some individual countries surrounding the Black Sea it was the detailed cruising and harbour surveys by Doreen and Archie Annan, with assistance from the Atakoy Yacht Club in Istanbul which led to their book – *Cruise the Black Sea* – in 2000. Publisher Atakoy Yacht Club

In 2011 they granted the RCCPF sole right of use of all their work.

The Black Sea 1st Edition 2012 (Imray ISBN:978 1846234125 £35)
David Barker & Lisa Borre



The 1st Edition of *The Black Sea* – published in 2012 - resulted from a very detailed sailing recce by David Barker and Lisa Borre with all the plans being updated versions of the Annan plans. This Guide was more than a pilot book, although that remained the prime purpose. Their studies provide a fascinating backdrop to the area from ancient history to modern times, as well as discussing current environmental concerns and pressures, and offers yachtsmen a deeper insight into the Black Sea than hitherto.



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WEST AFRICA

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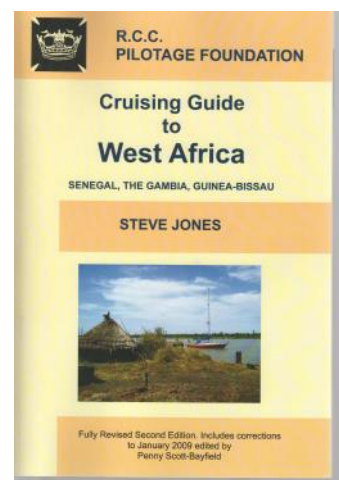
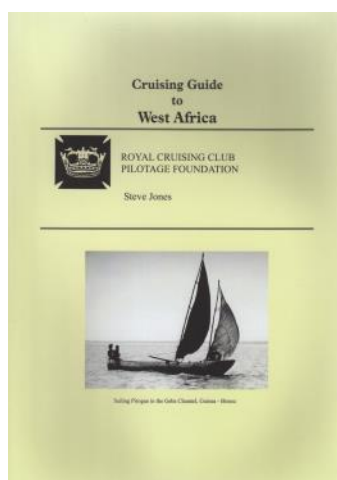
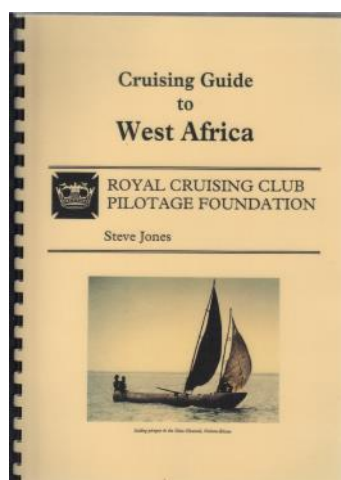
Desk Top Publishing 1997

Epilot edition 2005

POD Edition 2

Print on Demand Edition 2007

Revised 2009



This publication originated in 1997 from information collected by Steve Jones during his nine years working in the Gambia. It was first published by RCCPF Desk Top Publishing – this ceased in 2003. The work was then presented as the first PF epilot (2005). It attracted considerable attention in this form and became the first trial book via Print on Demand – in black and white – in 2007; it was marketed by Imray from early 2008.

Updating notes received from cruisers in 2007, 2008 & 2009, and colour photographs, by Ed Wheeler, were incorporated by Penny Scott-Bayfield into the Second Edition; this was published in 2008.

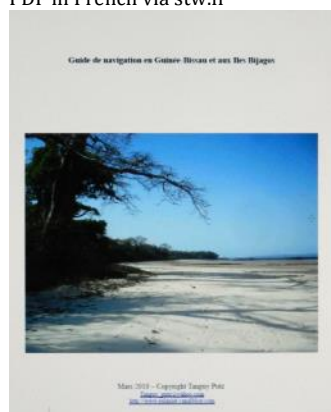


Steve Jones
Author

Penny Scott-Bayfield
Monitoring editor

PF attempts to publish the book in French were unsuccessful but it did not escape the attention of French Yachtsmen. One produced his own website supplement, giving full credit and praise to this Steve Jones book but saying he was too busy sailing to find time to sort out matters of copyright:

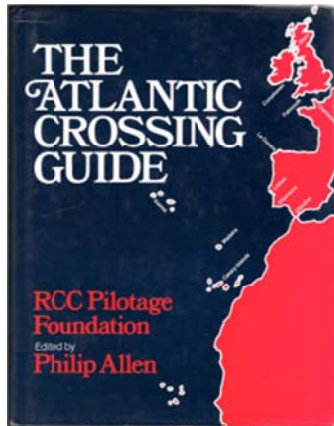
Tanguy Putz 2010
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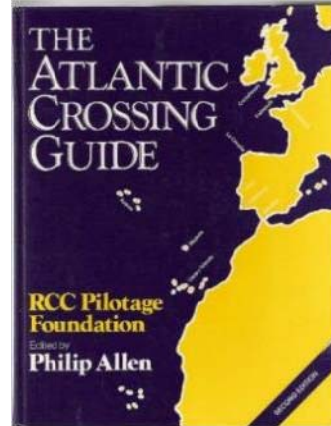
“Ce document ne se suffit pas à lui même. Il est à exploiter avec les cartes référencées ci-après, ainsi qu'en complément du seul guide de navigation existant sur la zone, le West African Cruising Guide de Steve Jones, à qui je rends hommage pour son fantastique travail. Ce guide, uniquement disponible en anglais, couvre Senegal, Gambie et Guinée-Bissau, et consacre une trentaine de page à cette zone de navigation. Il date de 1995 et reste le document de référence sur la zone. J'ai conçu ce document comme un complément recelant des corrections, ajouts et mises à jour. Idéalement, il faudrait reprendre et compiler l'ensemble mais cela suppose d'en obtenir les droits et d'intéresser un éditeur, chose dont je n'ai guère le temps de m'occuper en grand voyage. A bon entendeur car c'est un travail qui me passionnerait.”

ATLANTIC CROSSING GUIDE (6th ISBN: 9781408113806 - £50)
Published by Adlard Coles Nautical

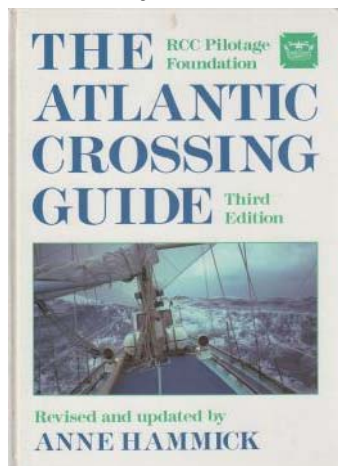
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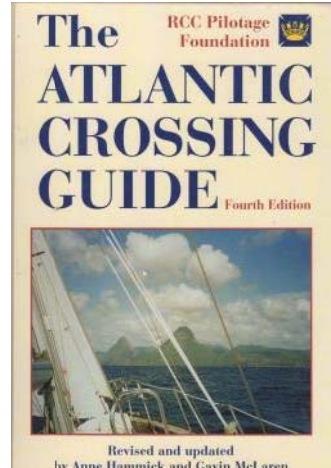
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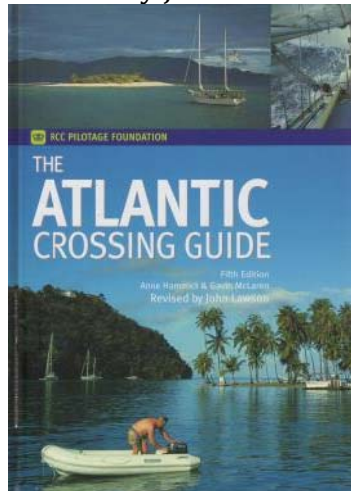
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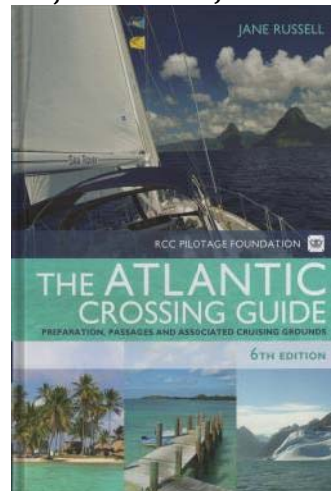
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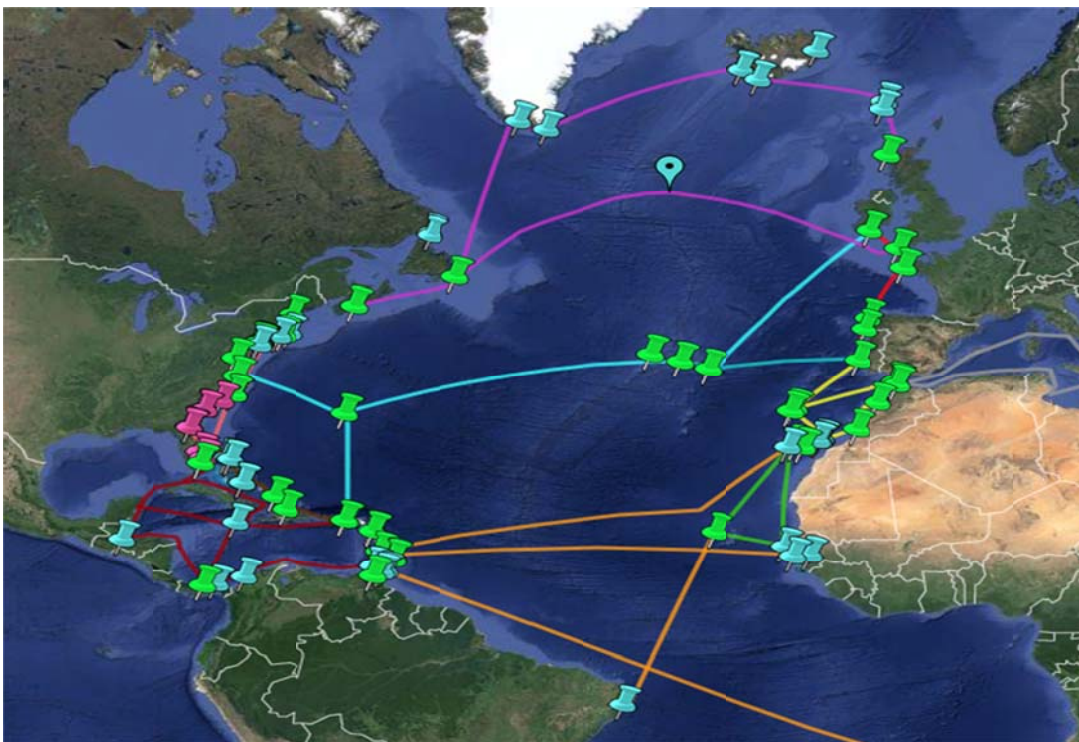


6th Edition 2010
 Major Rewrite Jane Russell



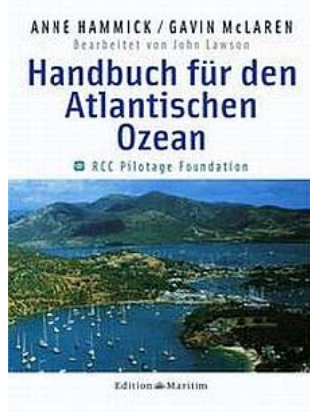
The Atlantic Crossing Guide (initially published in 1983) was the first entirely new work undertaken by the Pilotage Foundation. Until then, anyone planning to cross the Atlantic relied on researching records of earlier yacht passages, UKHO publications, including *Ocean Passages for the World*, and Routing Charts. Philip Allen took on the major task of preparing the 1st edition and also the 2nd. Anne Hammick revised this for the 3rd edition and, with Gavin McLaren, the 4th edition; John Lawson took over for the 5th edition.

All these books had gradually been updated but the 6th edition, by Jane Russell, went further than this so as to include discussion of the electronic changes which had taken place in the previous decade as well as introducing the numerous cruising opportunities which could be taken off the side of an Atlantic circuit. The PF website reproduced these routes using Google Maps which could be zoomed in to show the relevant major ports.



Routes covered by *The Atlantic Crossing Guide*

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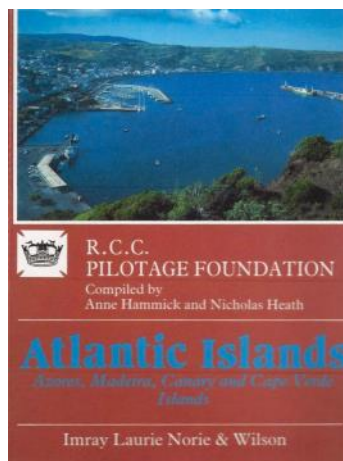


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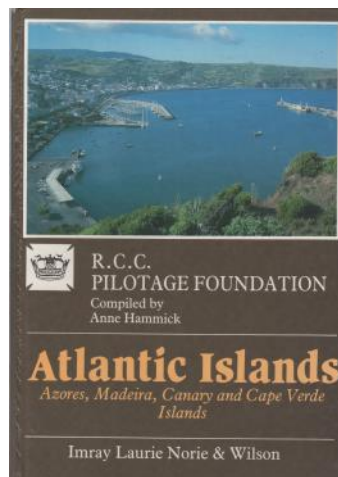
ATLANTIC ISLANDS (Imray 5th ISBN 9781846233364 £40)

Originated with Nick Heath and Anne Hammick and subsequently maintained by Anne Hammick

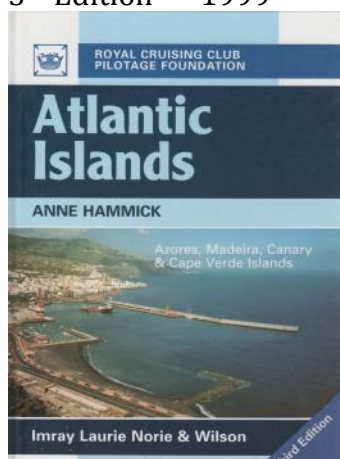
1st Edition 1989
Hammick and Heath



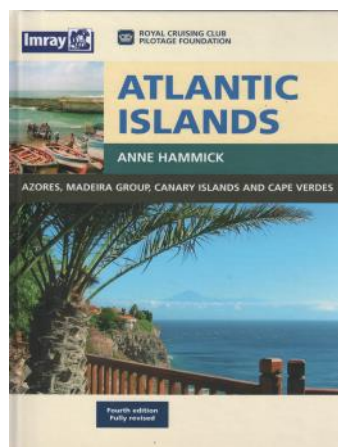
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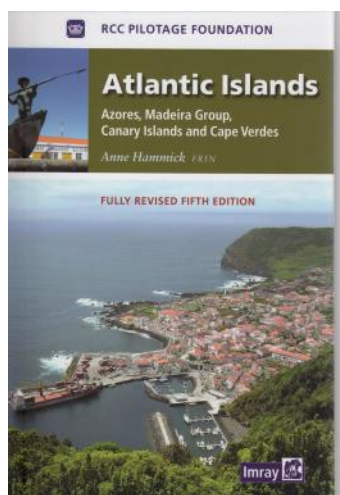
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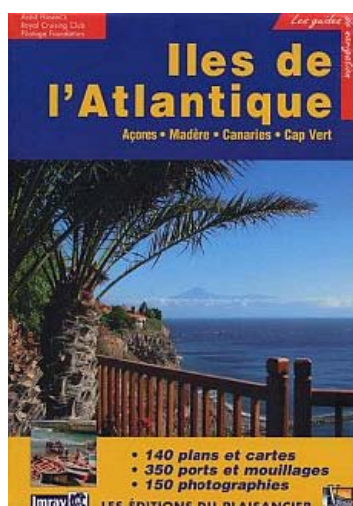
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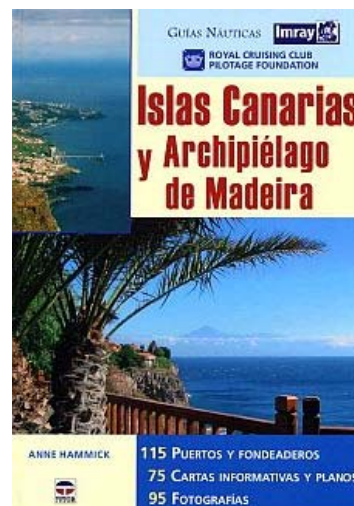


Atlantic Islands was the Pilotage Foundation's third book. It was researched and written by Nick Heath and Anne Hammick and she has maintained it ever since. Routinely visiting the areas and their widely separate islands has been a major task. The facilities in the four island groups have changed markedly over that time and Anne Hammick has continued to produce comprehensive annual supplements to cope with this; the book remains as popular as ever. Plans to include Bermuda in the fifth edition were set aside but this is likely to be included in the future.

French 2005



Spanish 2008

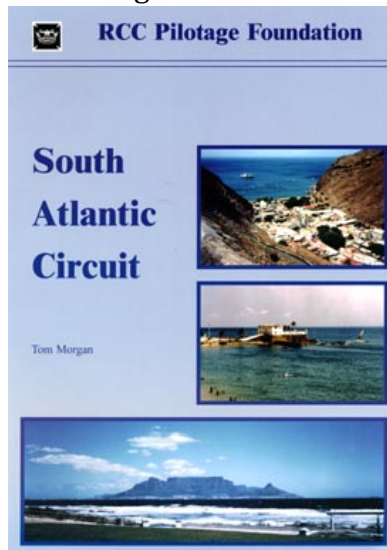


Anne Hammick

South Atlantic Circuit

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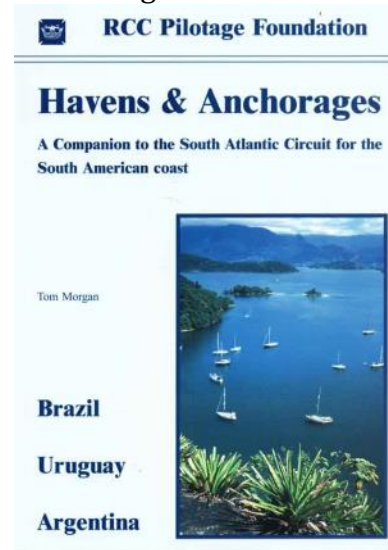
Tom Morgan 2002



Havens and Anchorages

ISBN: 0-9541900-4-1 £19.95

Tom Morgan 2002



These two books were compiled and published by Tom Morgan of On Board Publications, Cape Town. They were based on his experience cruising the South Atlantic with input from RCC records and editorial assistance from Ros Hogbin.

South Atlantic Circuit primarily covers planning and broadly equates to the RCCPF publications *Atlantic* and *Pacific Crossing Guides*.

Havens and Anchorages remains in print but has been largely superseded by the later and more comprehensive publications of *Argentina*, with *Brazil* (Pete Hill) in preparation. Afternote; Being published as Brazil Kindle editions 2014/15)

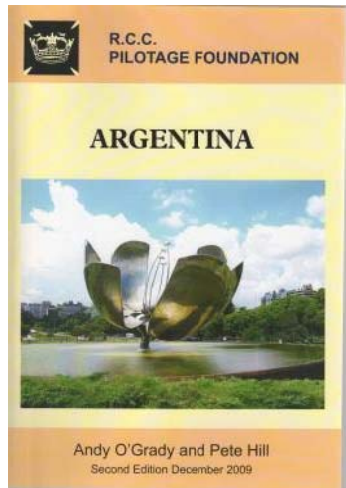
ARGENTINA

ISBN: 0-9527771-3-4 £19.50)

Andy O'Grady and Pete Hill

Initially made available as an epilot in 2006

POD Edition 1 2009



Interactive CD 2009



Notes on some harbours of Argentina are included in *South Atlantic Circuit* and *Havens and Anchorages*. It proved impracticable for comprehensive information from Charmain Bibby, following her cruise of Argentina in 2003, to be published as supplements to the existing books. RCCPF therefore published her work as an epilot.

Subsequent detailed reports from Andy O'Grady, Ulla Norlander and Pete Hill allowed the epilot to be extended and published, in 2009, first as an epilot and then adapted by Peter Price to book form using Print on Demand. This epilot edition acted as a test piece using InDesign software to create a fully interactive version. Due to the size of the file this was made available on cd as a fully interactive file. Although the interactive presentation proved to be highly successful, lack of resources prevented the remaining PF epilots from being upgraded in a similar manner.



Pete Hill



Andy O'Grady

CHILE

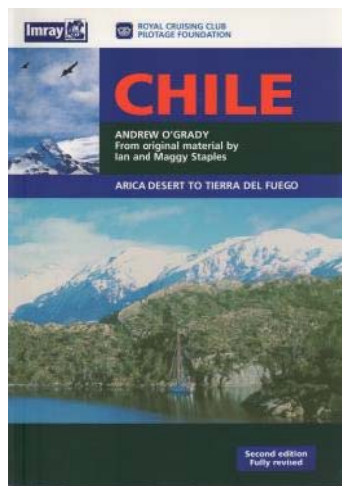
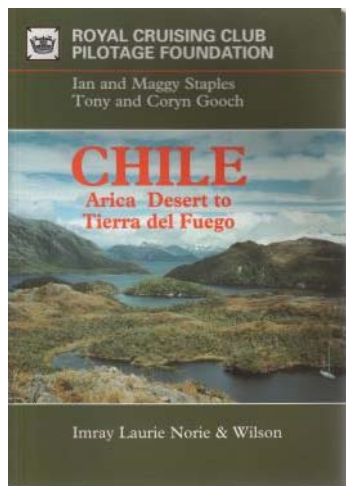
(ISBN: 0-85288-721-2 £30)

1ST Edition 1998

Ian and Maggie Staples
Tony and Coryn Gooch

2nd Edition 2004

Staples Revised by Andy O'Grady



Andy O'Grady

The Pilotage Foundation started collecting pilotage information on Chile in 1992 and this led to the first book being published in 1997 with the main input coming from Ian and Maggy Staples and Tony and Coryn Gooch.

Andy O'Grady sailed Chile extensively and took on the task of updating the work to produce the second edition. Subsequent cruising by him and also by Trevor Robertson have led to comprehensive supplements ahead of a third edition. Andy O'Grady's recces included comprehensive aerial survey. He was able to annotate some of his photographs, a particularly valuable technique if a future publication is made interactive with a zoom capability. His work typifies the dedication of some of the Pilotage Foundation authors in their research.

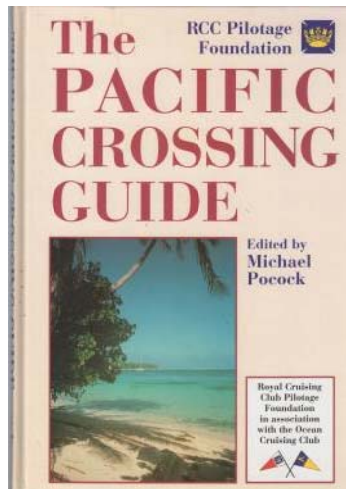


PACIFIC CROSSING GUIDE

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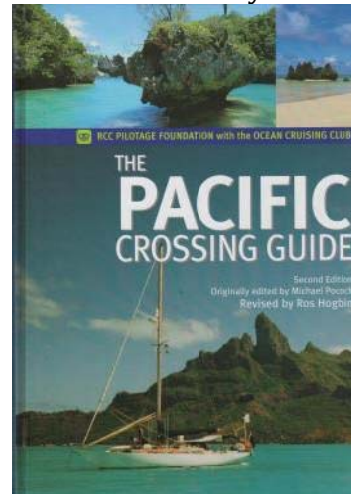
1st Edition 1997

Mike Pocock



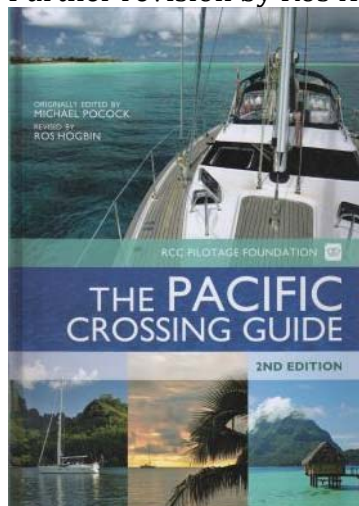
2nd Edition 2004

Pocock Revised by Ros Hogbin



2nd Edition Reprint with main updates 2011

Further revision by Ros Hogbin



The first edition of the Pacific Crossing Guide PXG was edited by Mike Pocock who had just completed a circumnavigation. As a member of both the RCC and OCC he was able to draw on the knowledge and resources of both clubs. The book filled a major gap in information available to the long distance yachtsman.

The book was revised, and enhanced greatly by the use of colour, by Ros Hogbin to produce the 2nd Edition. This was subsequently reprinted with updates confined to major changes – particularly in Colon at the northern entrance to the Panama Canal.

Major Contributors and epublication authors



Ros Hogbin



Kitty van Hagen



David Mitchell

NEW LOOK

'New Look' set out to modernise all aspects of the Pilotage Foundation books. The broad thrust was agreed by the Management Committee in 2002 with Director Francis Walker issuing initial guidance. Its execution across the range of books was driven by the Director and Assistant Director – Martin Walker from April 2004 and Ros Hogbin. Early elements were used in *FIG 3rd* and *Atlantic Islands 4th* but the major advances were introduced and developed from Mike and Gill Barron's clear and thorough presentation of *North Biscay 7th*. Close liaison was needed with Imray as the Pilotage Foundation now specified the layout parameters to favour the reader rather than leave it to the publisher to make best use of space.

Main Features

Authors were not expected to write to a strict template but they were required to follow a logical sequence. Books continued to vary greatly but all became simpler for the first time user – including the non English speakers. New editions were generally prepared after detailed recce by sea - to be credible, authors needed recent, practical sea-time experience of the area. They also were expected to visit every aspect of a European coast by road in order to see changes for themselves and talk to current sailors. (Supplements were normally prepared on an annual basis using information gleaned from passing yachtsmen, Notices to Mariners and other contacts or web reports.)

Layout. After an overall introduction to the coast the pilotage chapters were broken into sections and subsections with ports being covered generally over 2 or 4 pages.

Plans were cascaded down from overview through chapter, section, sub section and port. All were boxed on the larger scale and page cross-referenced so that a user could immediately see how each related to another. Until now, plans had been to varying datum and some used degrees, minutes and seconds of latitude and longitude. New Look require all to be to datum WGS84.

Waypoints were introduced as an aid to navigation – to aid routing, to assist with establishing the approach to harbours or anchorages or as plottable reference points – they were shown on the plans and this also helped with navigating the book.

Lights Characteristics were shown on plans but lengthy light lists were removed

Data boxes were introduced in order to highlight essential information – including major lights

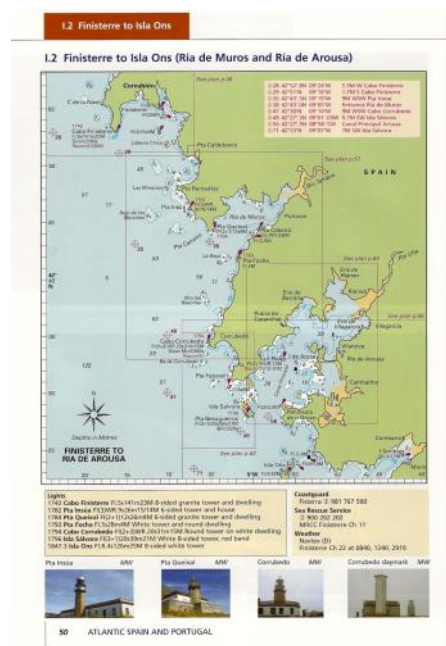
Sea/ground and Aerial photographs were added wherever practical.

Local interest was highlighted so that the books would be of interest to crew members other than navigators.

Colour Coding Each Chapter had a colour which was shown in the Contents, Overall View, each chapter, section, at the header of each even numbered page and the side of all odd numbered pages. This allowed rapid selection of the relevant area.

Headers Left page headers listed the subsection, right page headers gave port details. All helped reorientation within an area.

EXAMPLES



Note Chapter colour on all three images
The opening page of a subsection identified in header. Plans cross ref to lower level. Plans show WPs and decode. Data boxes cover lights, safety and weather.

A small harbour identified by header and port Number. Location, approach and harbour plans. WP information. Air photograph. Data box with essential information. Text covering what, how, where.



As part of New Look the preface page, with advice and precautions was updated.

The back cover showed country ensigns, Section colour codes, and the associated books. Lower boxes gave links and information for Publisher and RCCPF

Support files were added to the information page on the website as well as providing book data and links to order a book or to foreign editions. Support files included links to Supplements, Immediate news, WP lists, additional photographs, and Google maps.

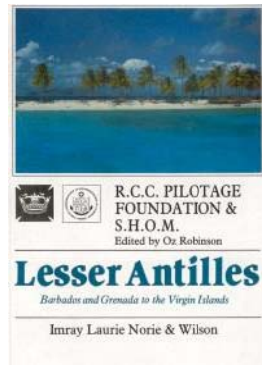
Stopped Projects

On occasion it was necessary to abandon some projects through lack of resources or because new technology, that was beginning to suggest a better way of doing things, was on the horizon. Examples of abandoned/delayed projects are below.

Lesser Antilles

1st Edition 1991

Oz Robinson



Lesser Antilles, translated from the S.H.O.M original and edited by Oz Robinson, was a valuable guide for those who cruised the Caribbean islands from Barbados to The Virgin Islands in the 1990s. However, it proved to be impractical to update the book as numerous alternatives came onto the market. Of these, Chris Doyle's range of books gave accurate and regularly updated details for anyone cruising the Caribbean. It was decided that producing and maintaining a credible update by the PF could not be achieved and plans to do so were abandoned in 2004.

Newfoundland

(IPR remained with P Loveridge)

In 2008 Kit Power obtained the manuscript by a Peter Loveridge of detailed pilotage around Newfoundland and gained agreement from the Cruising Club of America that The Pilotage Foundation was not straying into their territory. However, neither the PF nor the PF publishers were able to open the files in an acceptable program. Images were available but the text could not be manipulated. Printed copies showed the quality of the work but it needed location plans and better presentation before PF could issue it. The author, who was about to go long distance sailing, was reluctant to leave his work to be retyped and updated without his ability to clear drafts. The work was therefore abandoned but retained in PF records.

The South Atlantic Islands

The Pilotage Foundation had hoped to combine the epilots of the South Atlantic Ocean into one publication for issue by Print on Demand. Stephen Lennane produced a draft book; however, additional work, covering the Antarctic Peninsula, from Noel Marshall, combined with a new ability to make efiles interactive led to the decision not to proceed further with a book at that stage.



Bermuda



Although St Georges Harbour Bermuda had long been covered in *The Atlantic Crossing Guide* the Island group itself had not been included in *Atlantic islands*. Martin Walker knew the island well and wrote the chapter to cover this for the 5th Edition of *Atlantic islands* in 2011. It included some photographs and updates from Henry Buchanan who had visited in 2008. However, the draft from the printers was returned too late for the work to be completed in time. Most of IPR remained with MW.

2003 to 2012

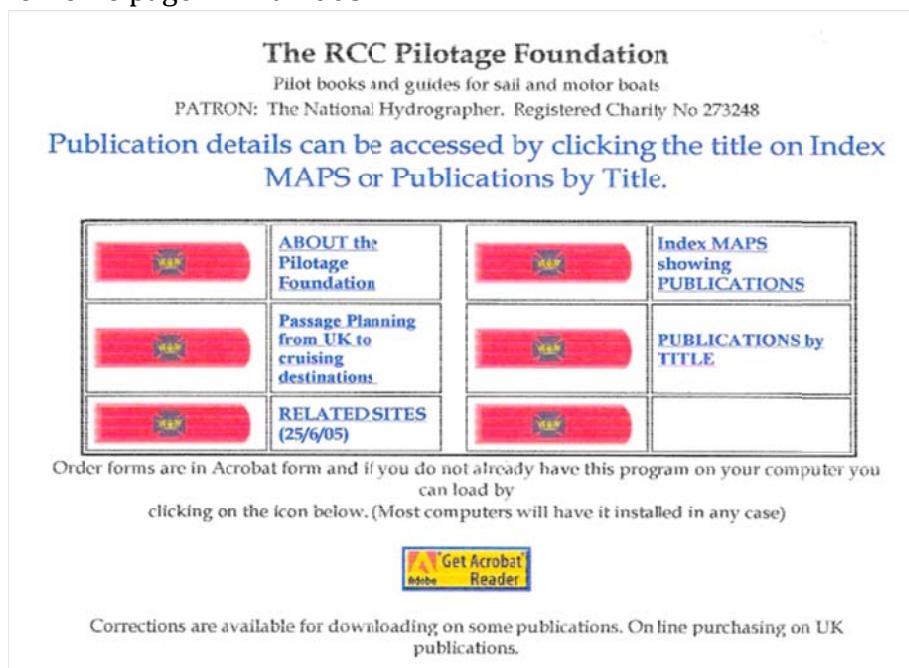
ePUBLICATIONS

Website Development
Passage Planning Maps and Guides
ePilots
Kindle Publications
Google, Interactive Files, Photo Files

WEBSITE DEVELOPMENT – www.rccpf.org.uk

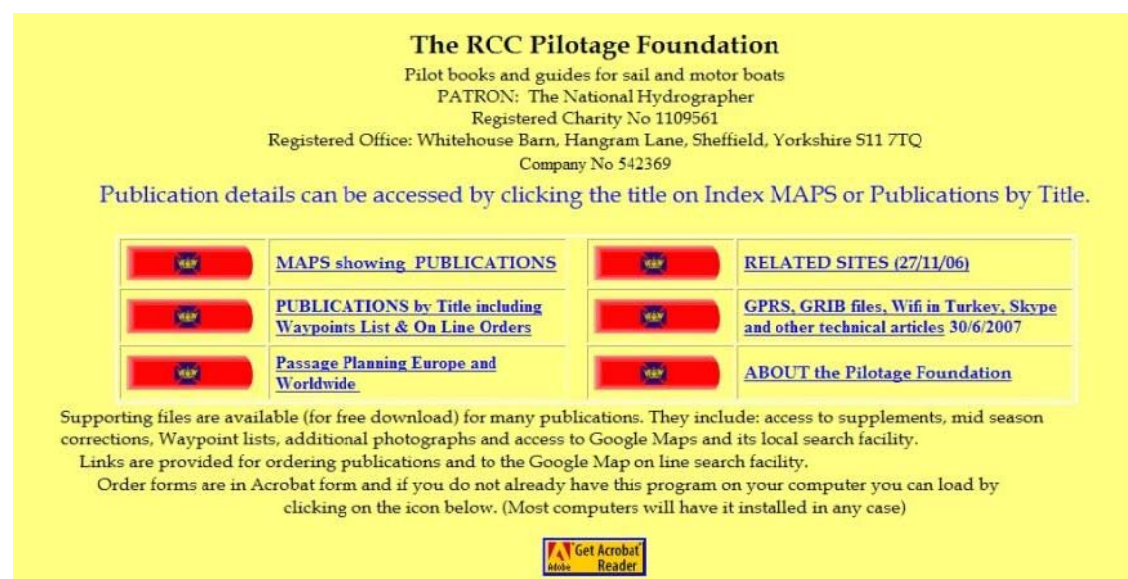
Original Site (Mk1). Webmaster Peter Price

The original RCCPF website was prepared by Peter Price. The main information provided was a list of books and current supplements – with click through for greater details. The original PPGs from UK were added in 2003. The image below shows the Home page in mid 2005.



In 2004 'New Look' started to bring a host of additional files for each book – latest feedback updates and Supplements, WP lists, photos, Google map links. The addition of web pilots also started in 2004 and continued as fast as Ros Hogbin and Peter Price could prepare and publish them. Books had been shown on North and South Atlantic maps from the beginning, Worldwide maps were introduced for the PPGs.

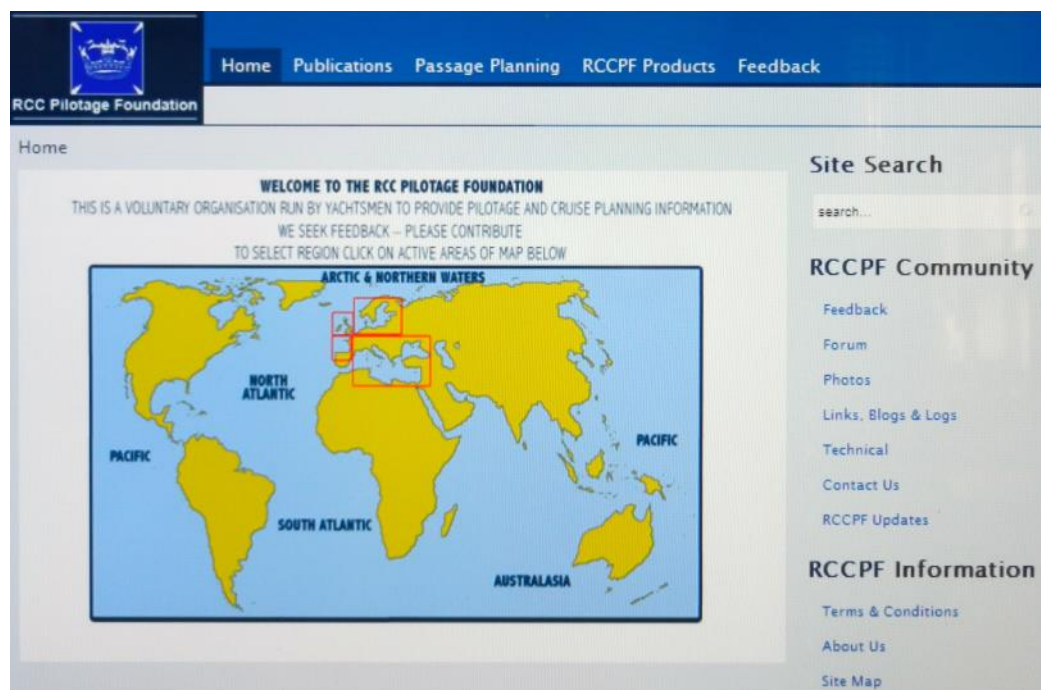
These additions, along with additional worldwide Passage Planning Guides, Google Map planning documents and other information significantly increased the complexity of the original site making day-to-day management very time consuming. The home page of the fully developed Mk1 site is shown below.



2nd Site 2008 (Mk2) **Webmaster Peter Price (Ros Hogbin Support)**
Technical Build: Ros Hogbin. This site brought in a modern presentation; it provided a smooth transition from Mk1, had the capacity for expansion and transformed the public image of the Pilotage Foundation.



3rd Site CMS 2011 (Mk3) **Webmaster Richard Marsh (Ros Hogbin support)**
Technical Build: Sally Atkinson. Richard Marsh became Webmaster vice Peter Price, on switchover from the Mk2 site, with Sally Atkinson providing initial support.



(This image is from a draft for the 3rd site – ‘Latest News’ was added to the Community menu before going live. The two maps of the Mk2 site were now combined so that book and PPG information for each region was shown with just one click on the appropriate section of the map on this Home page.)

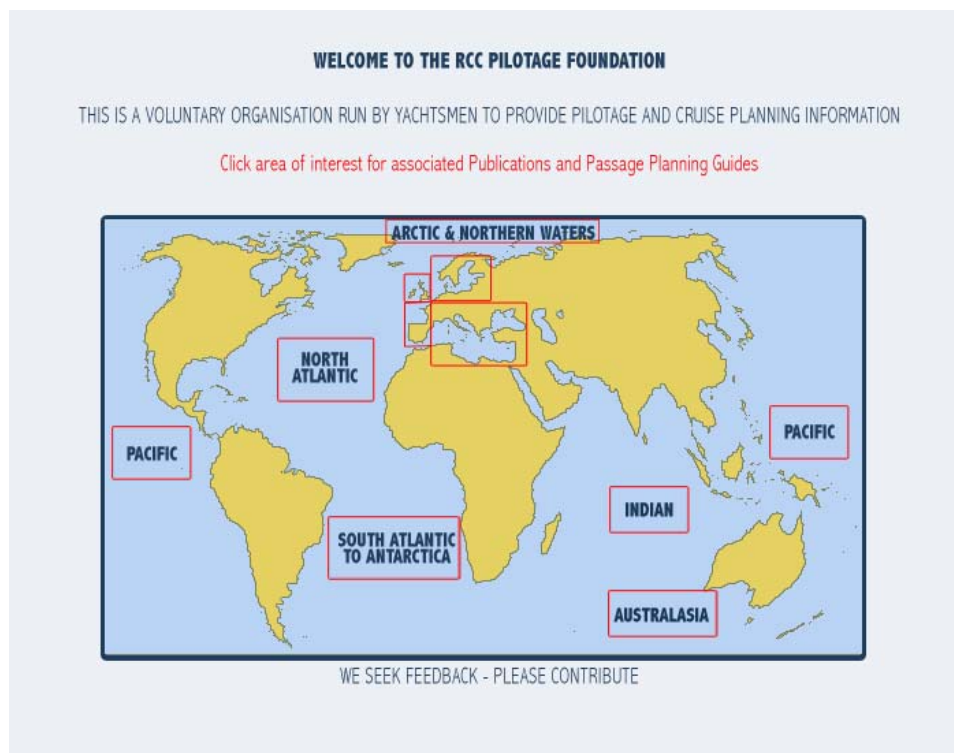
WEB PRODUCTS

Passage Planning Guides

Peter Price, as Webmaster, initially developed and ran www.rccpf.org.uk. This started as a simple site which primarily listed the books. In 2002 he worked with John Lawson to publish the first Passage Planning Guides which were made available free to download. He also helped John Lawson develop an electronic version of the North Biscay Pilot Book but in 2004, Imray could not be persuaded to take this further.

The Lawson Guides covered routes out from the UK and the Mediterranean. In due course they were presented via UK, Baltic, Atlantic European and Mediterranean Maps: worldwide routes were grouped by oceans with associated oceans linking off each map. The maps included route numbers and icons for the major pilotage books available. (A link to RCC logs was added in 2013)

The full set of PPGs were accessed through the relevant 'ocean' map; each map provides links to PPG routes and any associated epilots or books. From the start, all Passage Planning Guides were made free to download.



After the 'Lawson' routes had been published David Brooke took on the role of PPG manager and sought information to cover passage planning for all the major routes. Each route tended to have a prime contributor. They were edited by Ros Hogbin, Jane Russell and Tony Bolingbroke who ensured that other contributions were merged with the main document; Google Map presentations were linked in. Publishing each route and its map fell to Peter Price as Webmaster.

Afternote: Since 2012, Links to RCC journal publications bring tales, recent experience and colour to the Pilotage Foundation's planning documents.

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Updated as 2008 by John Macmaster

Route 2

English Channel to Faeroe

via west coast of Iceland, St.Kitts, Hebrides, Orkney, and Shetland

For interactive Google Maps, please see:

For interactive version, see below

click on map

To go onto text version, press 'back'

General

In over 900 miles from the Solent's Ventrals in Dorset passing to the west of Skidval with little distance as distance in passing the Hebrides to the W of UK. It is about the state of the state of the sea. The two open sea legs are 17500 from Land's End to the Hebrides and 17500 from the Hebrides to the Faeroe of Orkney, and 52000 from light Island of Shetland to Iceland (with just pure sailing as the Hebrides or Orkney).

Weather and sea states

The weather along the whole route is dominated by the groups of Atlantic lows giving predominantly westerly winds. Inversions there are set up by high pressure extending N from the Cantaric which are

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This Review was updated by Mike Rathbone in 2011.
minor corrections Feb 2012

Route 5

**North Sea crossing
English and Scottish ports
Norway, Denmark and Germany**

[Click here for interactive Google Maps Version](#)

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General

The North Sea crossing is from Sunderland to Bergen in the north, 400NM from the NE of Scotland to Bergen and 500NM from the NW end of the coast of the south. Sea crossings are in their own right the old and go up, the shallowest of the Dogger Bank which would not accommodate larger and the two Tides. The significance being that it is a matter of common knowledge which will be covered at some time if going to the East End Canal.



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The Pilgrage Foundation is granted to John Levens who was the author of all our Pilgrage Planning notes during our time in the Court of England to Ely, the Bible, the African Islands and the Mediterranean.

This Note was updated in 2008 by John MacIntosh

Route 3

English Channel to Iceland via SW Ireland

English Channel to Iceland via Irish Sea

English Channel to Iceland via Irish Sea and North Minch

Orkney and Shetland to Iceland via Faerøe

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For interactive Google My maps, click on map




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General

The approximate used distances of these journeys, all of which are to Reykjavik are as follows:-

From the Solway to SW Ireland	40000
From the Solway to Irish Sea and North Channel	40000
From the Solway to Irish Sea and South Channel	40000
From Orkney (Dunrobin)	40000
From Shetland (Dunrobin)	70000



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The Pilotage Foundation is gnteful to the late John Lawson who was the author of all our Passage Planning routes flowing out from the South Coast of England to Iceland, The Baltic, the Atlantic Islands and the Mediterranean.

This Route was updated by Jeremy Parkinson & Mike Redfern in 2008
Minor corrections 2012

Route 6 plus 6A, 6B, 6C, 6D

English Channel to the Baltic


including Sweden, Finland, Russia and the Baltic States

via

Belgium, The Netherlands and Kiel Canal

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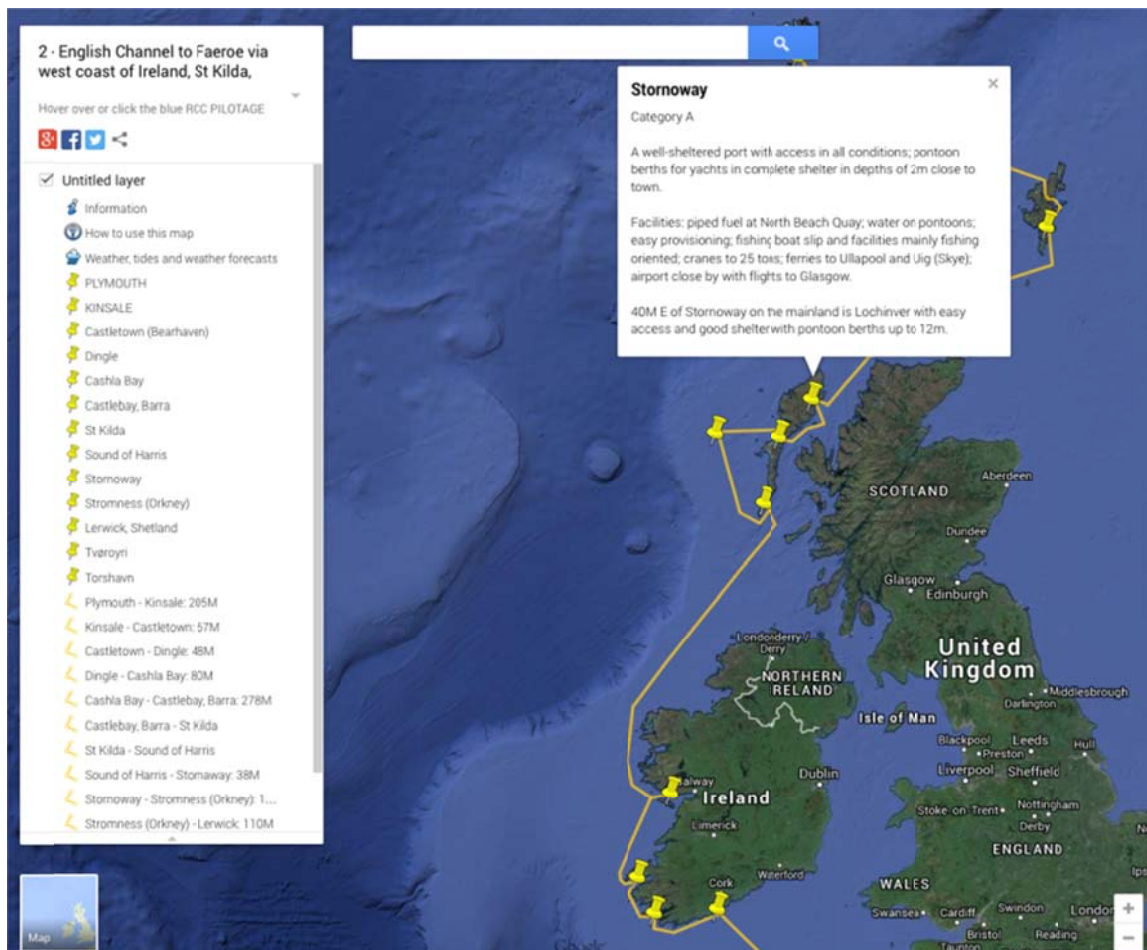
General

It is 440M from the Solent to the Elbe entrance up-Channel and along the Belgium, Dutch and German coasts. While the first 300M have a selection of harbours of refuge suitable for yachts, the last 140M along the north German coast provides minimal shelter in strong onshore winds.

Timing of arrival at the Elbe entrance is important and from here it is just over 100M up-river and through the Kiel Canal to the Baltic.

The Baltic has been divided into four routes:-

- 6A Kiel to Skagen and the Kattegat.
- 6B Kiel to Gulf of Bothnia via Swedish coast
- 6C Kiel to the Åland Islands, Turkey and the Finnish coast to the N end of the Gulf of Bothnia.
- 6D Kiel to Helsinki, Vyborg, St.Petersburg via Poland, Lithuania, Latvia, Estonia and Russia.



Zoomed in image of Route 2; the Stornoway pin has been clicked

The other Lawson routes are available on the Baltic, Atlantic Europe and the Mediterranean Maps as shown.

Atlantic European Routes 7,8,9,M



Baltic Routes 5 and 6



Mediterranean Routes M



Australasia Six routes, edited mainly by Jane Russell with prime contributors being: David and Annette Ridout, Tim Le Couteur, David Mitchell, Tony Bolingbroke

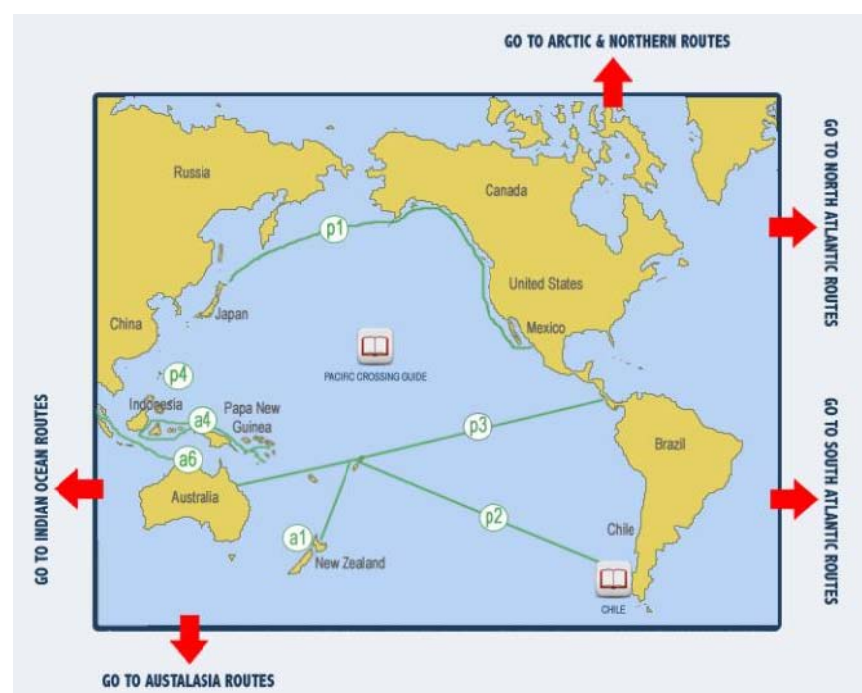


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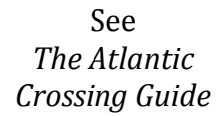


Pacific Ocean Three routes edited by Jane Russell

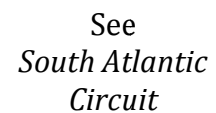
Much of this area is covered by the *Pacific Crossing Guide* and its author Ros Hogbin provided the heart of these routes. This was expanded in the North by Kitty van Hagen and in the South by David Mitchell.



The North Atlantic is covered comprehensively by the *Atlantic Crossing Guide*. The routes given are available as Google Earth presentations – see Books:



South Atlantic Circuit provides the bulk of the planning information. It is reinforced by routing details from South Africa to Brazil and the Caribbean (David Ridout).

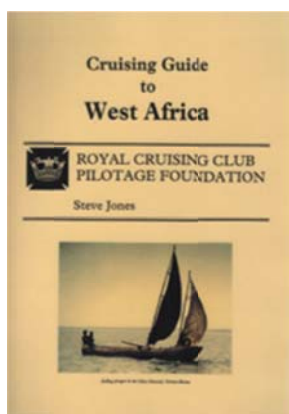


WEB PILOTS BECAME KNOWN AS ePILOTS OR eBOOKS

In parallel with publishing PPGs the Pilotage Foundation developed 'web pilots' to cover remote areas. In time they become known as epilots and, particularly with Kindle editions, ebooks. To start with, the original work came from the records of Pete and Annie Hill's voyages to the South Atlantic. Ros Hogbin, with webmaster Peter Price carried out the bulk of the initial work to edit and re-format these from 2004.

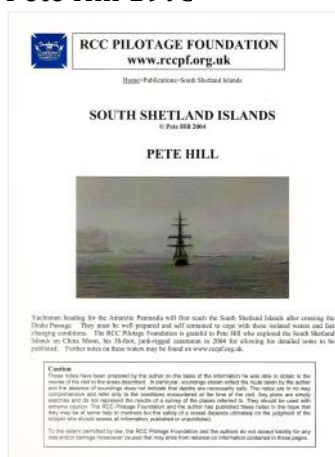
2004 **West Africa**

Steve Jones (POD book 2009)



2004 **South Shetland Islands**

Pete Hill 1995



2005 **Cruising Guide to South Orkney**

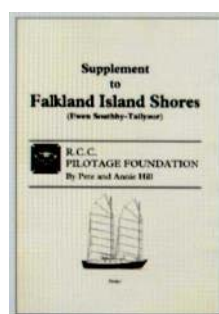
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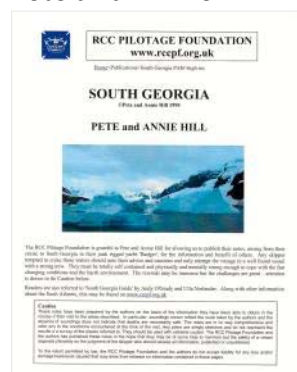
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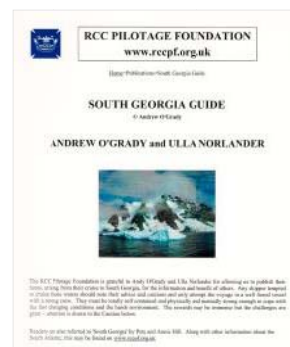
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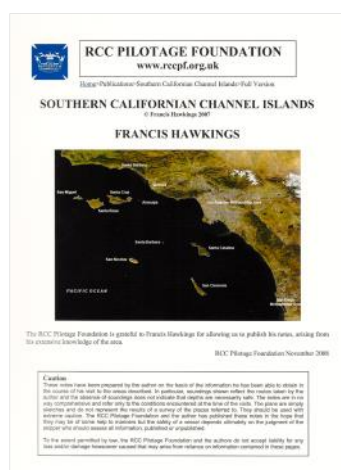


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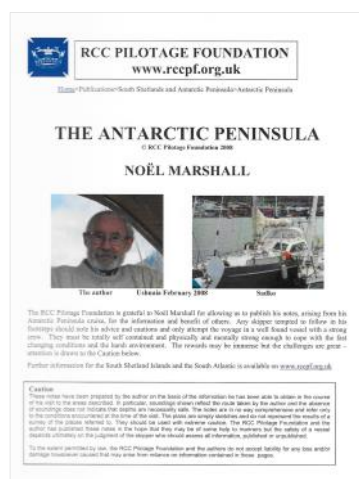
Andy O'Grady 2005



2008 Southern Californian Islands Francis Hawkings 2008



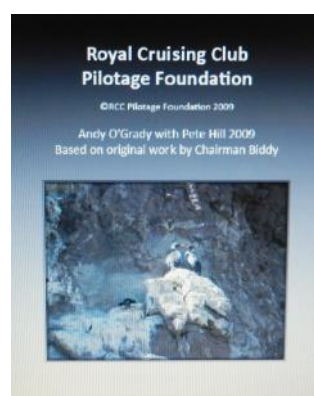
2008 Antarctic Peninsula Noel Marshall 2011



2009 Argentina

Charmain Bibby, Pete Hill, Andy O'Grady 2008/9

This epilot was first published as a standard file; this was then made fully interactive by Mike Ellis (Zooming, user note facility, link to Google Earth). It was also made available as a fully interactive cd. The POD book was published in 2009.



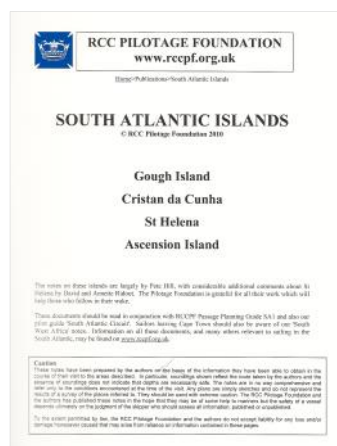
2010 South West Africa

Pete Hill, both edited Martin Walker

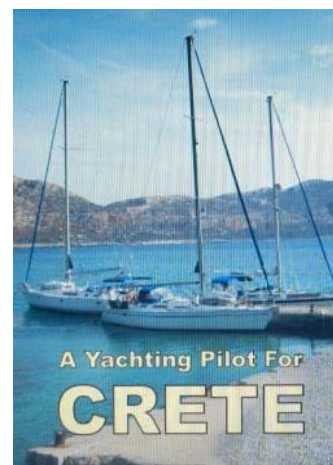
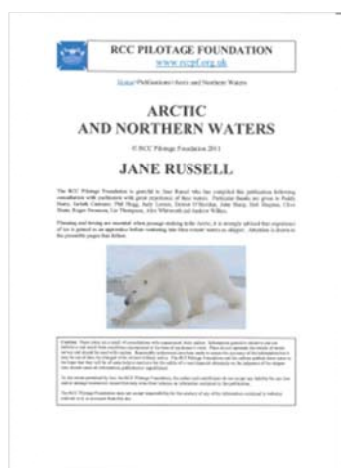
These were the first PF publications to use UKHO charts under licence

2010 South Atlantic Islands

Pete Hill, David Ridout



2011 Arctic Northern Waters Jane Russell 2012 Fiji Group David Mitchell 2012 A Yachting Pilot for Crete Tony and Tessa Cross



PPGs and epilots were linked to Google Map presentations and additional photographs. These examples are from the epilot Arctic and Northern Waters

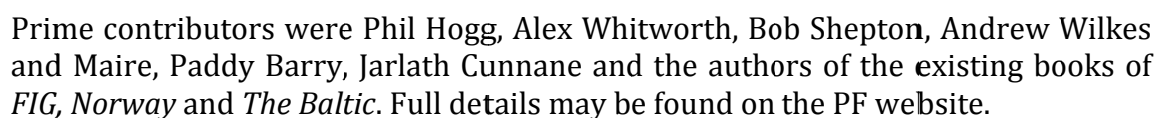


Bob Shepton Greenland climbing Pack ice

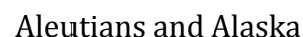


The Google Map for ANW (zoom in for detail) – a click on each pin brought up details of pilotage or port information.

The epilot, ANW, was a highly ambitious project under the editorship of Jane Russell. It linked in the existing publications that nudged the Arctic Circle (*The Baltic, Norway, Faroe, Iceland Greenland, Atlantic Crossing Guide, Pacific Crossing Guide* and PPGs *U3, U6* and *P1*) by in-depth discussion of the needs and hazards of sailing in the Arctic and described experiences of sailing the North West Passage and the North East Passage.

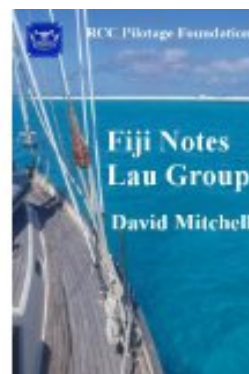
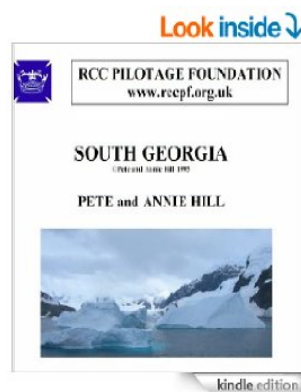
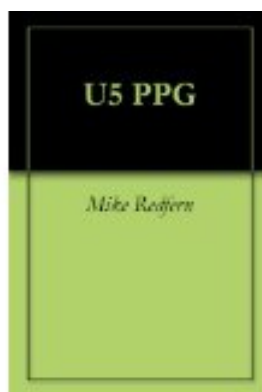


Afternote: *Arctic and Northern Waters* – editor **Andrew Wilkes** – was published in 2014. It concentrated on Arctic sailing and included *FIG*, the NWP and the NEP. Other aspects from the original information became a new stand-alone epilot (**Phil Hogg**) and links to blogs and photographs.



Kindle Editions to 2012 – Imray Apps

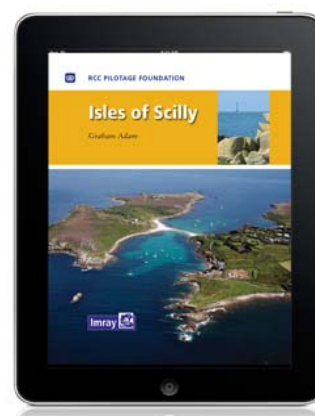
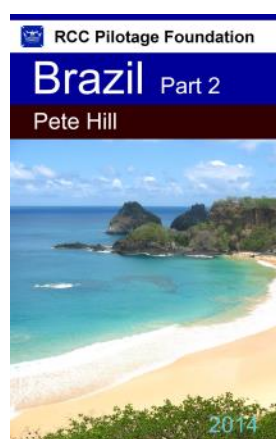
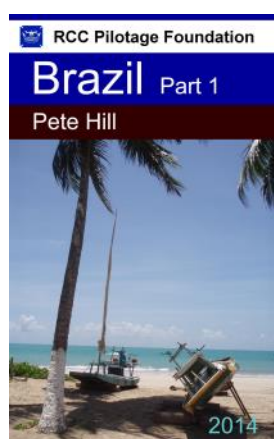
As Amazon and Kindle grew in importance Richard Marsh started testing the viability of switching the PF web-based products to the Kindle format. The first test piece was the PPG U5 which covers planning from UK to the Baltic. South Georgia followed and then Fiji. These showed the viability of publishing most of our electronic products in this format and set the scene for future products.



Afternote:

Pete Hill had been cruising South Atlantic and the coast of South America for many years and many of the Pilotage Foundation's epilots stemmed from his work. After 2008 he was invited to work towards producing pilots on Brazil and also Uruguay which he had cruised. Brazil will form three parts, Pt 1 the NE coast and islands, Pt 2 the North coast and islands and Pt 3 the SE coast.

Pts 1 and 2 were published in 2014 in Kindle format.



Imray Apps It was around 2008 that The Pilotage Foundation first discussed with Imray the idea of providing electronic versions of its books. The current management team has continued this approach and Scilly is the first PF book title to be made available in this way by Imray within their App Programme.

Google

Google offers a great amount to navigators and the Pilotage Foundation tried hard to keep up to date with the opportunities it provided. Numerous links, indicated in the publications by a yellow pin, were made to Google Maps. Authors were greatly assisted in planning their book recesses if they first consulted these images – and they could also check latitude and longitude with them.

Google Earth



From 2004, each book page included a few Google Earth links to major ports or anchorages. By scrolling, a user could get satellite coverage to areas not covered by air photographs. This provided additional information in well-chartered areas and provided significant navigational assistance in places where chart surveys were long out of date or where chart datums might be at significant variance to a GPS readout. Two examples below show the obvious entrance through the reef to Bora Bora (the dots are links to user photographs) plus the additional photographic shots of the shallow route within the North side of the reef. The third example shows the entrance channel through an inner reef into the Great Sound at Bermuda with the Dockyard visible above.



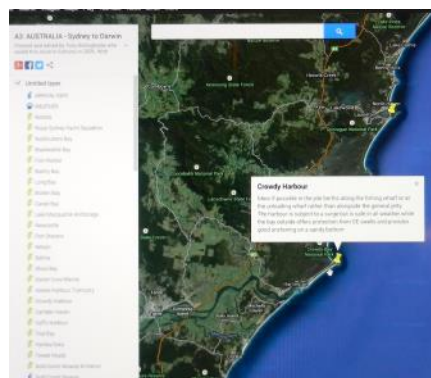
Google Analytics/Adwords

The success of a book is indicated by sales figures but understanding the effectiveness of a website, and its individual information files, is more difficult. Continuous monitoring of www.rccpf.org.uk through Google Analytics enabled the management team to see how effective each element of the website was; it showed where the site visitors came from, what they looked at - and for how long - and how they navigated their way around the site. Careful use of metadata selected Adword programmes helped promote the expanding list of epublications. This continuous work answered the question 'Was it worth doing', helped improve our presentations and ensured that the Pilotage Foundation's work came high on a list from a web search engine.


Google Maps



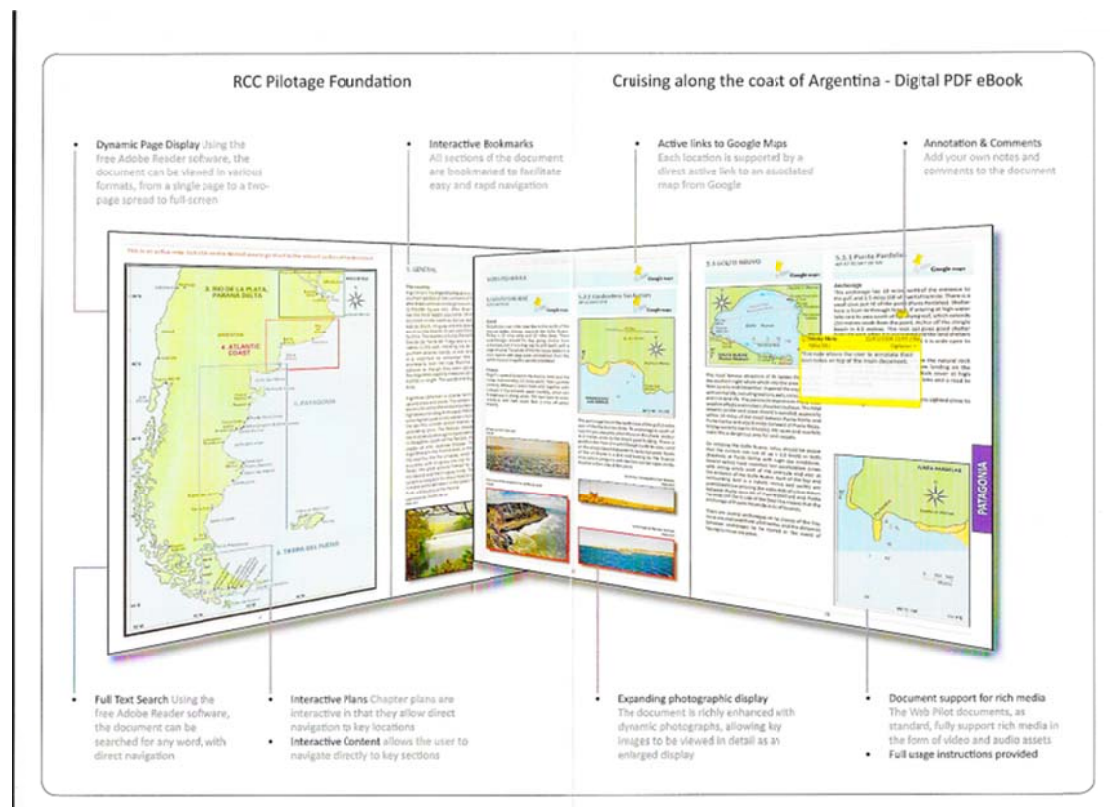
Using Google Maps provided important information in text boxes as an alternative to reading through many pages of text. The technique was introduced with Australian Passage Planning routes and extended quickly to all the website publications.



Interactive Developments

Although the use of  in documents to indicate a link to Google map images was long established, it was a chance meeting between David Brooke and Mike Ellis that led to the development of full interactive files – in epilots and on cd which, at that time, yachtsmen were requesting.

Argentina interactive CD 2009



Digital Page Display Document could be viewed single or two page
Interactive Book Marks. All sections bookmarked for easy navigation
Active Links. Each location supported by active associated map from Google.
Annotation and Comments. Own notes and comments could be added.
Text Search. Search facility for any word to help book navigation.
Interactive Plans and Content Plans interactive to allow direct access to detail
Expanding Photo display Dynamic photographs allowing zoom facility

The intention was to extend these interactive techniques across the other epilots and efiles. They were fully used for the subsequent 2010 epilots for South West Africa and South Atlantic Islands. Links to Google, zoomable plans and photographs and sticky note facilities were particularly useful.

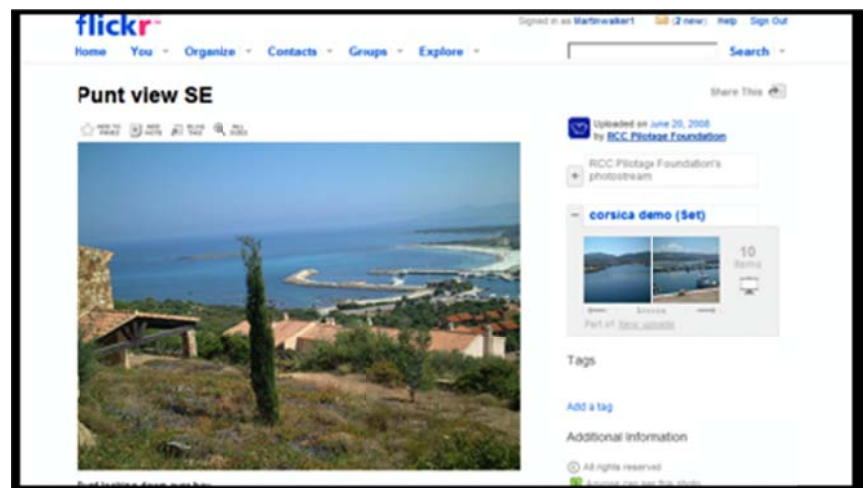
Photo Developments

ADDITIONAL INFO
Waypoint Lists: Galicia Portugal to Gibraltar Additional Photos: 2006 Google Map Links: La Coruna Lisbon Lagos Gibraltar
CONTINUING UPDATES
Supplement 6 May 14 Photos: 2007 , 2008 , 2009 Galicia National Parks

Photographs had long been used in the books but with the arrival of digital cameras and emails it became very simple for sailors to report changes with a photograph and a quick caption. Books only had space for a few photographs but the website could provide a home for many that an author had not been able to use, while feedback photos could be added to the book's website file soon after being received – a sender who saw his advice acted on promptly often became a continuing source of information.

Ros Hogbin researched other ways of exchanging photographs and encouraging updates from yachtsmen.

The use of 'flickr' was tried:



Ros Hogbin and Madeleine Strobel then examined ways of developing a photo library to support each publication. By the end of 2012, in addition to book support files accessed through the book pages, the website included photographic folios on:

Arctic



Baltic by country



Germany



Denmark



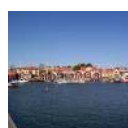
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BACKGROUND ORGANISATION AND PEOPLE

RCC Pilotage Foundation 1977 to 2012
RCCPF Management Structure
RCC/RCCPF Feedback System
Authors and Supporters



RCCPF Conference Salisbury 20 January 2008

RCC PILOTAGE FOUNDATION

1977 to 2012

Background and overview

One of the original intentions of the Royal Cruising Club, from its formation in 1880, was that members would exchange information about pilotage matters. In time this became recognised in the form of Logs – and, later, with the formation of Foreign Port Information (which was for the strict use of club members only).

In 1976 an American member of the Royal Cruising Club, Dr Fred Ellis, indicated that he wished to make a gift to the Club. This led to an independent charity known as the RCC Pilotage Foundation being formed with the charitable objective ‘to advance the education of the public in the science and practice of navigation’. Kit Power, an ex Commodore RCC and then Chairman of RCCPF records the development of the Pilotage Foundation up to 2002 in his article ‘*The First 25 Years*’. He touches on the major contributors, including Christopher Thornhill, Oz Robinson, Nick Heath and Anne Hammick, and the later achievements of Francis Walker in expanding the books to include the Pacific and South Atlantic Oceans, Chile and an extended Baltic. It was John Power who first made contact with Willie Wilson, Director Imray, Laurie, Norie & Wilson, to begin a long and productive relationship with our main Publisher while Adlard Coles/AC Black/Bloomsbury with Janet Murphy continue to publish ocean titles.

It was Chairman Kit Power’s Committee around 2002, with Francis Walker as Director, which realised that a major overhaul of the books was needed to keep them relevant for the future. The term ‘New Look’ was born with *North Biscay 7th Edition* by Mike and Gill Barron being the lead publication. In April 2004, the incoming Director Martin Walker was given a clear directive by the Committee – implement ‘New Look’ and exploit the Website. New Look sought to eliminate outdated details - such as reference to RDF and lengthy lists of lights - bring all plans to WGS84 datum, introduce Waypoints where relevant, restructure the books to make them easier to use by cascading the updated and new plans (from overview to harbour scale) and, with Imray, brought in the use of identifying headers, coloured side tags and back cover information. It took the Director and Assistant Director some four years to work through the cycle of updating books but the success of the approach was clear from the beginning when book sales stabilised or improved and a rush of French and Spanish editions rapidly spread the Foundation’s products to non English speaking sailors – and brought in considerable extra royalties.

From 2005 the full Committee tried to anticipate future demands and development through a series of ‘Blue Sky’ papers and discussion. Meanwhile, with book modernisation well under way, the executive sub-committee (Director Martin Walker, Assistant Director Ros Hogbin, Webmaster Peter Price and later, Passage Planning Manager David Brooke) were able to concentrate on using the website to expand the pilotage publications from largely European based works into world-wide coverage.

Incorporation and Organisation

The Pilotage Foundation was established with charitable status (originally Registered Number 273248 on 27 Apr 77 becoming Number 1109561 in 2006) and incorporated as a limited company (Number 05424369) in 2006. (The overwhelming demands of this task fell on the then Treasurer, Anthony Browne.) Its Directors (Trustees) must number at least three and are appointed by the Committee of the RCC. They in turn appoint a Director (of

operations) and additional members to execute the business of the Foundation and liaise with authors and contributors. The organisation of the Pilotage Foundation, which (with individual job specifications) has evolved over the years to meet the current worldwide coverage of its publications, follows. The Pilotage Foundation aims to assist all yachtsmen; in turn it welcomes input and active support from around the world. Personal contacts and informal liaison between the PF, Cruising Association (CA) groups and the Ocean Cruising Club (OCC), as well as other individual authors and long distance contributors (most of whom were RCC Members) has strengthened the scope and quality of the various publications and enabled them to reach an ever-widening audience.

Copyright and Right of Use

Contracts with the publishers required the Pilotage Foundation to clear all copyright aspects prior to submission. This task falls to the Director who, with authors, clears all works for publication – whether as books or website products. In general:

Copyright of original works by Adlard Coles, Robson and Brandon was formally passed to RCCPF. Books are routinely updated; they carried the original author's name until major revisions took place under New Look. Forwards by the Director include reference to the original author. The sole Right to Use plans and data in *Cruise the Black Sea* by Doreen and Archie Annan was granted to RCCPF by the Annans and Atakoy Yacht Club.

Books list copyright and specify those elements that are not copyright RCCPF:

Plans. RCCPF hold copyright to plans in *The Black Sea* (ex Annan's revised), *Atlantic Crossing Guide* and *Pacific Crossing Guide* (drawn by Alan Whitaker). Imray have copyright to all the plans they have prepared and published in their books (except *The Black Sea*) irrespective of the origin.

Text. Text becomes copyright RCCPF once an author's work has been cleared for publication by the Director – and the author has been paid.

Photographs. A photographer normally retains copyright of their photographs. While some may be offered to the PF, with a note from the originator saying PF may use or publish as they see fit, a PF author is specifically required to take photographs to support their work, and is paid to do so. Once the photographs are accepted for publication PF retains the right to use them in subsequent editions. Where PF has bought in other photographs then it has done so with the right of use for subsequent editions – this applies mainly to air photographs.

Organisation and Management team 2002 - 2012

The organisation of the Pilotage Foundation management team changes over the years to reflect differing priorities. The work changed markedly as the Foundation published more books and moved into the electronic age. In the 1990s the Chairman/Director had a small team to support him. With the influx of Brandon titles a separate Director was re-established and then a paid Assistant Director was engaged to try and ease the load on the Director. In practice, after the intense work to modernise the books under 'New Look' the work of the AD switched primarily to exploit the website. The Webmaster was brought into the Committee in 2005 along with a Passage Planning Manager in 2006.

The Chairman, Kit Power, strengthened links with the Club, Antony Browne as treasurer took on the additional detailed task of driving through Incorporation and Charles Lambrick, Secretary, ensured that the PF legal niceties were fully attended to. The Director worked with Publishers and the major Cruising Clubs (CA and OCC) to promote the

publications. Graham Adam as a PF Trustee, and also member of the RCC Committee, concentrated on promoting the role of the PF to the sailing community at large – including setting up a promotion at the London Boat Show. Efforts to set up a PF Twitter account came to naught.

The Royal Cruising Club invites the Director to update the members of the RCC about the activities of the RCC Pilotage Foundation at the Club AGM each April. It is the Trustees' task to report annually to the Charity Commission and to provide oversight and financial accounting.

The management structure for 2012 follows along with a list of the RCCPF overall team and a flow diagram showing how incoming information was handled. The financial sub committee of Chairman, Treasurer and Director managed the flow of funds with everyday expenditure up to £2000 per task being delegated to the Director.

Books

With the exception of *Classic Passages* published by Yachting Monthly - and then in book form by Andrew Bray in 1986 - for over 20 years the only books that the Pilotage Foundation could publish were through Imray, Bloomsbury (Adlard Coles/AC Blacks) and On-Board Publications. Desk top publishing (with Sandy Watson) was tried for a few years for small books which lacked commercial appeal; this gave way to web publishing and then Print on Demand (Peter Price) and Kindle editions/Apps (Richard Marsh).

The evolution of the books is shown with images and notes. Books remained the prime source of income to allow the Pilotage Foundation to pursue its charitable objectives. (Website information was made free to download though Kindle products/Apps may bring in a small income in the near term.) Despite the explosion of internet information the overall numbers of books sold in the years to 2012 still remained at just over 14,000 pa of which Imray accounted for 93%, including their sales of PF published books, with Blacks filling 7%. Some of the books are very much more expensive to produce than others and the demand for them varies from only a few to many hundreds a year. As a rough estimate about a third of books made a good profit, a third broke even and a third made a loss. A few projects were abandoned or set aside.

Electronic Developments

The first RCCPF web site was designed and run by Peter Price. It listed the books and current supplements. Initially it was little seen outside RCC and was primarily of use as a management tool. This started changing as soon as Passage Planning Guides (by John Lawson with technical input from Peter Price) were published on the site in 2003. By 2005 we were adding book support file to the main books. In addition to providing links to order a book, or download its Supplement, these files included such information as additional photographs, Waypoint lists that could be uploaded into some plotters and links to Google Earth images.

The website appeared to be the obvious home for the previous Desk Top Publishing books to be offered as web pilots. Peter Price first adapted *West Africa* and this was soon followed by a range of Southern Ocean works. Initially, with only slow dial up connection to the internet available to most yachtsmen, they were prepared by the Assistant Director as simple documents; as internet speeds increased so could the links to additional information; and our products now included images and colour and became more ambitious as we tried to keep up with developing technologies. At the same time the

Director's executive team were seeking to extend the original PPGs world-wide. David Brooke led this with Ros Hogbin and the Webmaster preparing inputs for web publishing. The arrival of Google Maps allowed Ros Hogbin to present the PPG information in this alternative way and she was able to recruit Jane Russell and Tony Bolingbroke to quickly transform all our web based works.

This considerable amount of new work began to overload the initial website; Ros Hogbin wrote another and this formed the base for marketing our organisation onto a world wide stage. First we had to maximise our exposure under search engines. Ros and Andrew Hogbin showed how to do this using Google Analytics and then David Brooke and Martin Walker gradually refined our profile. Our visibility was also helped by informal discussions with the Ocean Cruising Club, the Mediterranean Section of the Cruising Association and with the new website initiative from Jimmy Cornell called 'Noonsite'. By now our original webpilots had become known as epilots or ebooks and RCCPF was attracting more attention from experienced long distance sailors. Their major input also led us to a new book *The Black Sea* and a comprehensive ebook covering *Arctic and Northern Waters*. Licensing agreements with UK Hydrographic Office gave us authority to use extracts of official charts in our web based works. This made it much easier to produce epilots and we extended our range within the South Atlantic. Again, it became necessary to upgrade our website to make its management easier; this time Sally Atkinson built a new site based on our revisions of the second version. Richard Marsh took over as Webmaster.

All this web-based work was increasing our reputation and coverage but our income remained book based. Making use of Amazon and Kindle looked attractive and our webmaster started exploring how best to do this. First he converted a PPG (U5 covering UK to the Baltic) then epilots South Georgia and Fiji followed. This indicated the way ahead both for ebooks then in preparation and for conversion of all our works.

Images earlier have shown the developments in the Pilotage Foundation's electronic publications.

Authors, Contributors and Supporters

The PF is utterly dependent on its family of authors, contributors and supporters. Many supply the feedback contributions which help keep our publications up to date. (Such information may be published immediately, in a yearly supplement or held for a future edition.) The people carrying the major burdens and contributions are shown later. Links with the RCC Foreign Port Information team were strengthened in 2005 and continue to flourish. We retain links with the original publishers Adlard Coles (now under Bloomsbury) with the Atlantic and Pacific Crossing Guides, while our main Publishers, Imray, continue to provide magnificent support; they publish the majority of our hard back books, market and sell our On Board Publication and POD books, and consider other ways of publishing; during 2012 Imray began developing some of our publications as Apps.

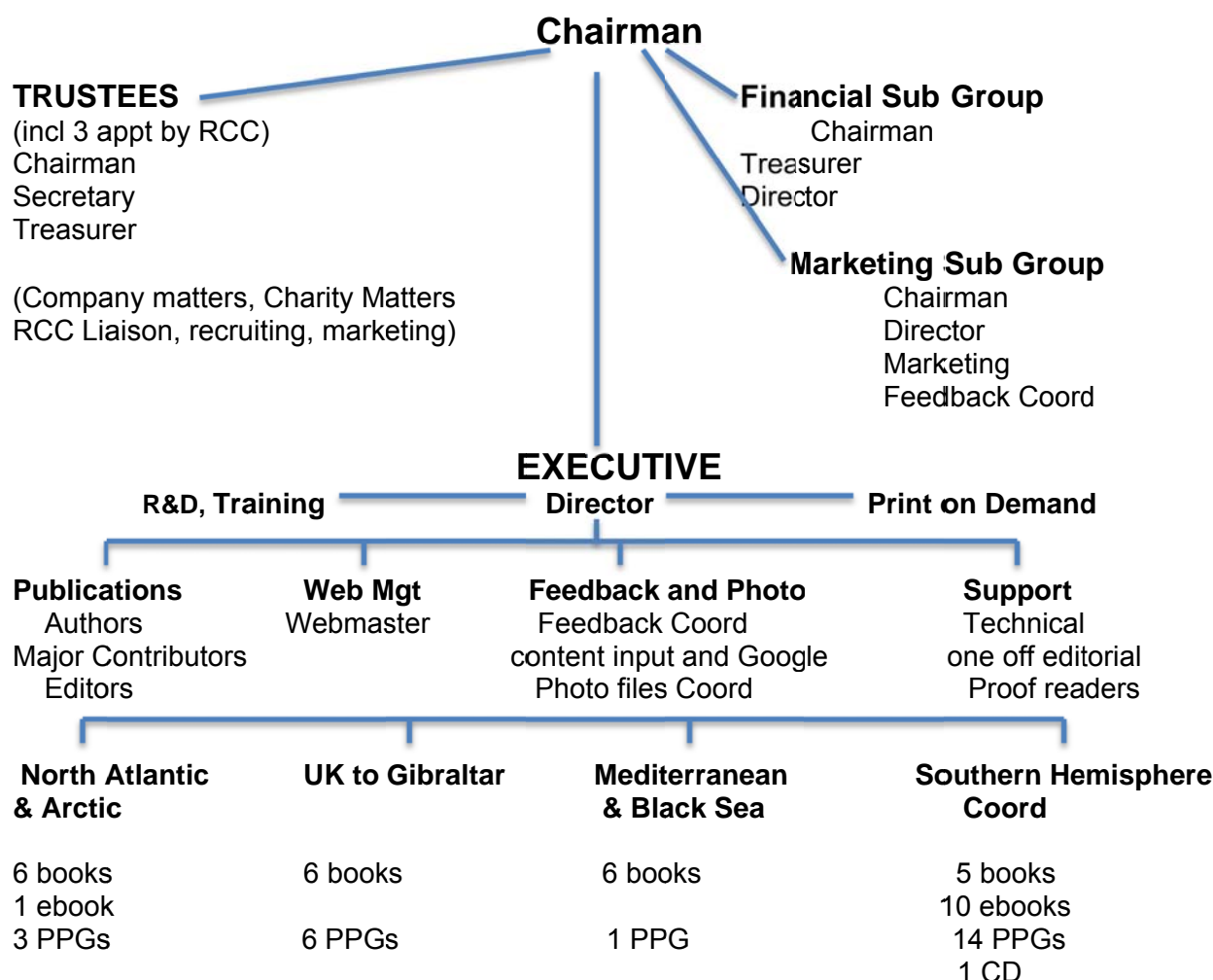
MRW

Note: Pilot Books provide comprehensive pilotage information. Where the area is too large to allow such detail the word Guide is used.

Abbreviations:

PF for RCCPF, Imray for publishers Imray, RCC for Royal Cruising Club, CA for Cruising Association, OCC for Ocean Cruising Club, PPG for Passage Planning Guide (covers routing, area to area compared to a book or epilot which generally covers a cruising area – the exceptions being the Atlantic, Pacific and South Atlantic Crossing Guides which specifically covered planning)

RCC PILOTAGE FOUNDATION MANAGEMENT STRUCTURE



Core Trustees - Chairman Kit Power, later David Ridout,
Secretary (and legal) Charles Lambrick, Treasurer Anthony Browne/Antony Wells.

Director - Martin Walker

Marketing - Graham Adam later Michel Derrick mid 2012

R&D/Training - mainly Director and Ros Hogbin, later also Sally Atkinson

Print on Demand - Peter Price

Webmaster - Peter Price then Richard Marsh

Feedback - Ros Hogbin then Nick Coleman

Photo files - Ros Hogbin then Madeleine Strobel

Support - Generally Jane Russell*, Tony Bolingbroke, Sally Atkinson*

Proof Readers - Author identified, otherwise generally Kit Power, Sandy Watson, Oliver Roome, Bruce Weir

The Publications are shown in four groups; the aim was to ease the Director's workload through group coordinators to promote liaison between all the authors and editors involved. The greatest complexity lay in the Southern Hemisphere and Richard Waters took on that coordinating role.

The Assistant Director, Ros Hogbin, was originally engaged for editorial support to authors but she was primarily tasked by the Director in the research and development of new products and new forms of presentation.

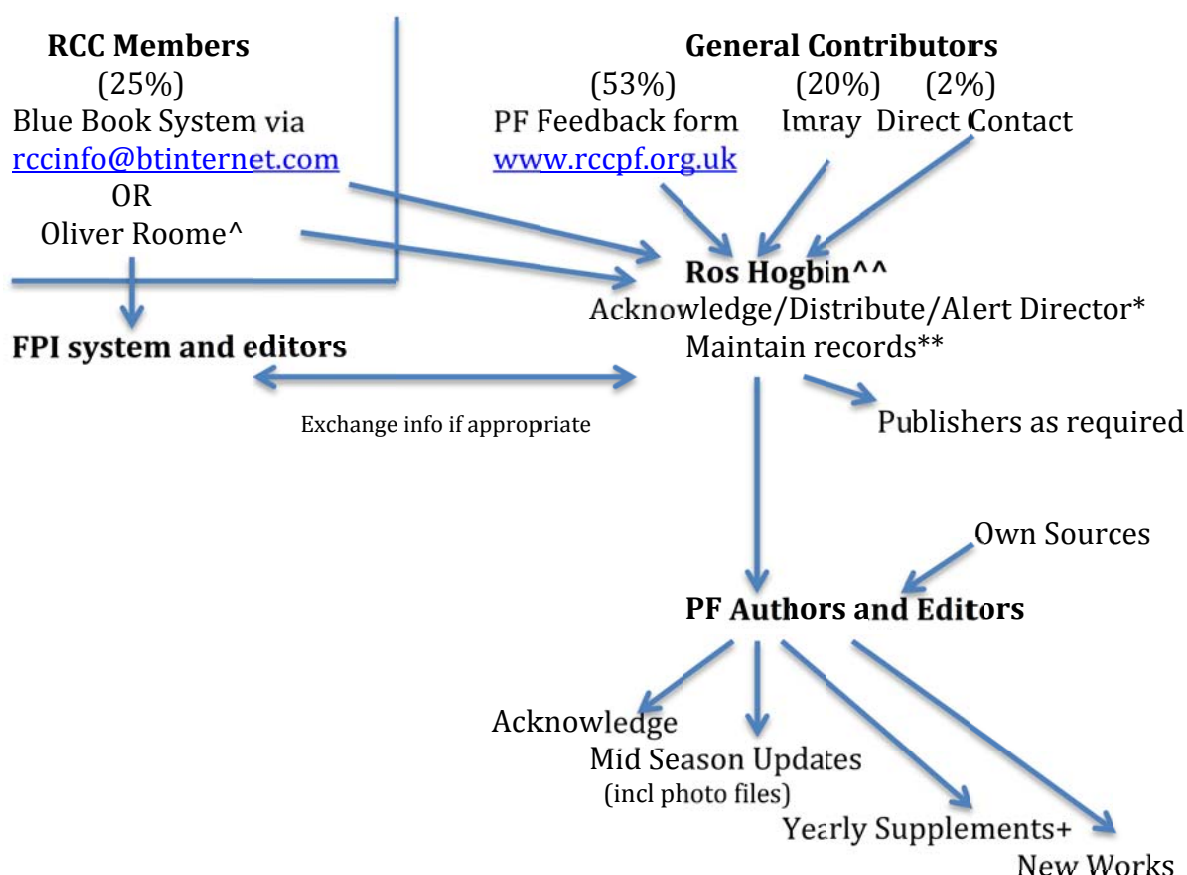
The Director authorised all expenditure within his delegated limits of £2,000 - otherwise Financial Sub Group or Management Committee.

FEEDBACK SYSTEM RCCPF

Established 2005

From 2004 effort was devoted to obtain feedback information from the cruising public and publish as quickly as necessary – by immediate notice on the website, in a yearly supplement or in a future edition. The AD was tasked to acknowledge and thank contributors, irrespective of the apparent pilotage value of the information, and distribute it to authors or editors. Important data concerning non PF products was sent on to the relevant publisher. (This basic combination of good manners and fast action impressed many sailors who continued their feedback to the PF because they could see that it was appreciated.)

At this time there was little information coming in to the FPI section of the RCC from Club members. Work with Anthony Browne (then Commodore RCC) and Stewart Carnegie (then Secretary RCC FPI) led Peter Price (webmaster of both the separate RCC and the RCCPF websites) to develop a system (published in the Blue Book and other RCC outlets) where contributions to rccinfo@btinternet.com was acknowledged automatically and then diverted to the FPI secretary and AD RCCPF Ros Hogbin for their onward action. Oliver Roome acted on behalf of the Club (not the FPI nor the PF) to distribute any information that members chose to send by post. This system led to a significant increase in submissions by Club members.



^ RCC Coordinator - Later Hilary Keatinge

^^ Feedback Coordinator RCCPF – handed over to Nick Coleman

* Director alerted to any complaints, major contributions and non-standard contributions that did not fall easily to an existing author

** PF feedback published on website development page and reported to Committee

+ Imray issued an author's yearly supplement covering main changes. Urgent, or more routine matters were issued on the the PF website.

RCCPF Management Authors and Supporters 2003 to 2012

(* Trustees, All unpaid volunteers posts except**, PF pays expenses, Authors and tasked contributors get a thank you payment)

Management Committee

Chairman*	Kit Power	David Ridout
Secretary*	David Brooke	Charles Lambrick
Treasurer*	Anthony Browne	Antony Wells
Marketing*	Graham Adam	Michael Derrick

Director Francis Walker Martin Walker 4/04 to 9/12,
Assistant Director Ros Hogbin**
Webmaster Peter Price until Mk3 website then Richard Marsh
PPG Manager David Brooke

South Ocean Coord Richard Waters 2011
Feedback Coord Nick Coleman 2011

Book Authors

Willy Ker, Judy Lomax, Mike Redfern, Mike Lewin-Harris, Jeremy Parkinson, Graham and Fay Cattell, Jill Vasey, Bruce Weir, Graham Adam, Peter Carnegie, John Lawson, Mike and Gill Barron, Steve Pickard, Martin Walker, Anne Hammock, Henry Buchanan, John Marchmont, Graham Hutt, David Barker and Lisa Borre, Jane Russell, Steve Jones, Tom Morgan, Andy O'Grady, Pete Hill, Annie Hill, Ros Hogbin, Andrew Wilkes

e publications – PPGs and Pilots – authors/editors

John Lawson, Pete Hill, Annie Hill, David and Annette Ridout, Tim Le Couteur, David Mitchell, Tony Bolingbroke, Jane Russell**, Ros Hogbin**, Martin Walker, Kitty van Hagen, Andy O'Grady, Tony and Tessa Cross, Phil Hogg, Alex Whitworth, Bob Shepton, Maire Wilkes, Paddy Barry, Jurlath Cunnane, Andy O'Grady, Francis Hawkins

Supporters for books and web publications inc Proof Readers

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The Management Team who drove the modernisation of the books and the exploitation of the website. (Showing Antony Wells who had taken over from Anthony Browne – photograph overleaf)

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Nick Coleman

Southern Ocean



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Photos



Madeleine Strobel

And their PF successors

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David Ridout

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Richard Marsh

**Marketing
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Michael Derrick

**Director
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Jane Russell

Committee Work

This document aims to record the publications of the Pilotage Foundation up to 2012, as it sought to fulfill its charter, and it records the names of those most involved with the products, including the Management Committee's executive team. However, none of this would be possible without the background support of the rest of the team and the Trustees which allowed the Director to concentrate on the Products, Authors and Supporters. The Director made written reports to the Trustees for the three Management Meetings held each year detailing progress and success with products of all types and the specific programmes in development or being explored.

The financial accounts and reports to the Charity Commission were produced by the Trustees with the Treasurer having to account for the significant peaks and troughs of expenditure within a year when the financial cycle was driven by expenditure on books with a lifespan of 4 to 9 years between editions. These were inevitable despite all efforts made by the Director who tended to think in terms of a rolling five-year cycle for the major expenditure on books, and use epublications and associated development costs to smooth the financial demands in year.

Trustees took the lead in incorporating the Charity as a limited Company. These documents and associated job specifications of the time were held by the Secretary who also led on legal matters. With the introduction of waypoints these included agreeing wording with Publishers; cautions for the individual PPGs and pilots also needed adjustment for each book to reflect the origins of information, particularly any plans.

CAUTION

Whilst the RCC Pilotage Foundation, the author and the publishers have used reasonable endeavours to ensure the accuracy of the content of this book, it contains selected information and thus is not definitive. It does not contain all known information on the subject in hand and should not be relied on alone for navigational use: it should only be used in conjunction with official hydrographical data. This is particularly relevant to the plans, which should not be used for navigation. The RCC Pilotage Foundation, the authors and the publishers believe that the information which they have included is a useful aid to prudent navigation, but the safety of a vessel depends ultimately on the judgment of the skipper, who should assess all information, published or unpublished. The information provided in this pilot book may be out of date and may be changed or updated without notice. The RCC Pilotage Foundation cannot accept any liability for any error, omission or failure to update such information. To the extent permitted by law, the RCC Pilotage Foundation, the author and the publishers do not accept liability for any loss and/or damage howsoever caused that may arise from reliance on information contained in these pages.

POSITIONS

All positions in the text are to WGS 84 datum. They are supplied as aids to help orientation and to assist in locating and maintaining transits referred to in the book. As always, care must be exercised to work to the datum of the chart in use.

WAYPOINTS

This edition of the *Atlantic Spain and Portugal* pilot includes waypoints. The RCC Pilotage Foundation consider a waypoint to be a position likely to be helpful for navigation if entered into some form of electronic navigation system for use in conjunction with GPS. In this pilot they have been derived from electronic

charts. They must be used with caution. All waypoints are given to datum WGS 84 and every effort has been made to ensure their accuracy. Nevertheless, for each individual vessel, the standard of onboard equipment, aerial position, datum setting, correct entry of data and operator skill all play a part in their effectiveness. In particular it is vital for the navigator to note the datum of the chart in use and apply the necessary correction if plotting a GPS position on the chart.

Our use of the term 'waypoint' does not imply that all vessels can safely sail directly over those positions at all times. Some – as in this pilot – may be linked to form recommended routes under appropriate conditions. However, skippers should be aware of the risk of collision with another vessel, which is plying the exact reciprocal course. Verification by observation, or use of radar to check the accuracy of a waypoint, may sometimes be advisable and reassuring.

We emphasise that we regard waypoints as an aid to navigation for use as the navigator or skipper decides. We hope that the waypoints in this pilot will help ease that navigational load.

PLANS

The plans in this guide are not to be used for navigation – they are designed to support the text and should always be used together with navigational charts. It should be borne in mind that the characteristics of lights may be changed during the life of the book, and that in any case notification of such changes is unlikely to be reported immediately. Each light is identified on the plans (where it appears in magenta) by its international index number, as used in the *Admiralty List of Lights*, from which the book may be updated. All bearings are given from seaward and refer to true north. Symbols are based on those used by the British Admiralty – users are referred to Symbols and Abbreviations (NP 5011).

Example of 'cautions' given in books following the introduction of 'New Look'

A book might take two years to prepare and bring to publication and the PF are always looking for new authors for future editions. Finding people with detailed sailing experience of an area who were prepared to devote considerable time to recce and authorship was not

easy; without them products lacked credibility. The Chairman and Director were constantly looking for suitable volunteers.

An important part of the Committee's responsibility was looking well ahead in an attempt to anticipate future products. The Director had the authority to explore developments that might be useful to the Pilotage Foundation but the long lead time for written publication made it necessary to continually review where the likely priorities might lie several years ahead. The rapid developments with electronics had changed navigators' needs. Experienced sailors who learnt their navigational skills with Admiralty charts and Sailing Instructions, compass, lead line and sextant were now likely to be using an iPad for routine navigation and communication.

A 2003/04 sub committee considered electronic requirements and Look Ahead or Blue Sky Meetings were held from 2004 onwards with papers by Chairman, Director and others to stimulate discussion and consider future trends - the aim being for the Pilotage Foundation to offer credible products for both traditional and electronic users. To help with this crystal ball gazing all members of the RCC were invited to respond to a questionnaire regarding the future of pilotage information and routine discussions with the Publishers have also helped the PF consider pilotage publication needs for the future.

The continuing policy has been to maintain books for as long as is practicable (which can require considerable funding as well as willing authors) while exploiting the rapidly changing information technology opportunities. By 2012, against a background of the maturing use of Apps, it was anticipated that the differing forms of epublication would move to a common standard of App, and that some books would also move to that form of presentation and marketing.

Although the RCC Pilotage Foundation is a legally independent company with charitable status it owes its existence and continuance to the original parent – The Royal Cruising Club. Its Trustees, Members and the overwhelming majority of authors and supporters are members of the RCC and it sees itself as the external wing of the Club. For 35 years the PF has, by its issue of high quality pilots and publications, inspired and helped all yachtsmen to cruise in a more informed way. Its Management Team has been fortunate that successive Commodores of the RCC have continued to provide both strong support to the PF and enthusiastic encouragement to RCC members to supply pilotage information for the internal use of the Club and the eternal use of RCC Pilotage Foundation.

RCC Commodores during 2002 to 2012 have been:



Christopher Thornhill
2000



Anthony Browne
2005



Nigel Wollen
2009