

Holy Island Circumnavigation - Sunday 13th May 2018

Having been arranged a few times only to be stopped by weather, this coming Sunday seems to be offering the correct combination of tide height and time, wind and sea state to give the Holy Island Circumnavigation a try. Sorry it's short notice but it would appear that short notice is the only way to fit in with the conditions required. All skiff clubs welcome to come along.

Route

Heading off from the harbor to circumnavigate the island in an anti clockwise direction, the route will firstly take us past the iconic and imposing Lindisfarne Castle and around Castle Point into the open sea. From there we turn north, up towards the beacon on Emmanuel Head before turning west clear of Castlehead Rocks. Once we pass the Black Skerres we'll reach the open expanse of Goswick Sands with the possibility of some broken water as we cross over the sizeable sand bar. Next we'll round Snook point and head south over the causeway maybe making the best use of the photo opportunity at the refuge box while we row over the road. From there it's an easy run with the ebbing tide, south east passing Saint Cuthbert's Island and back to the harbour.

Potential crew change points just past the Black Skerres and just after the causeway if needed.

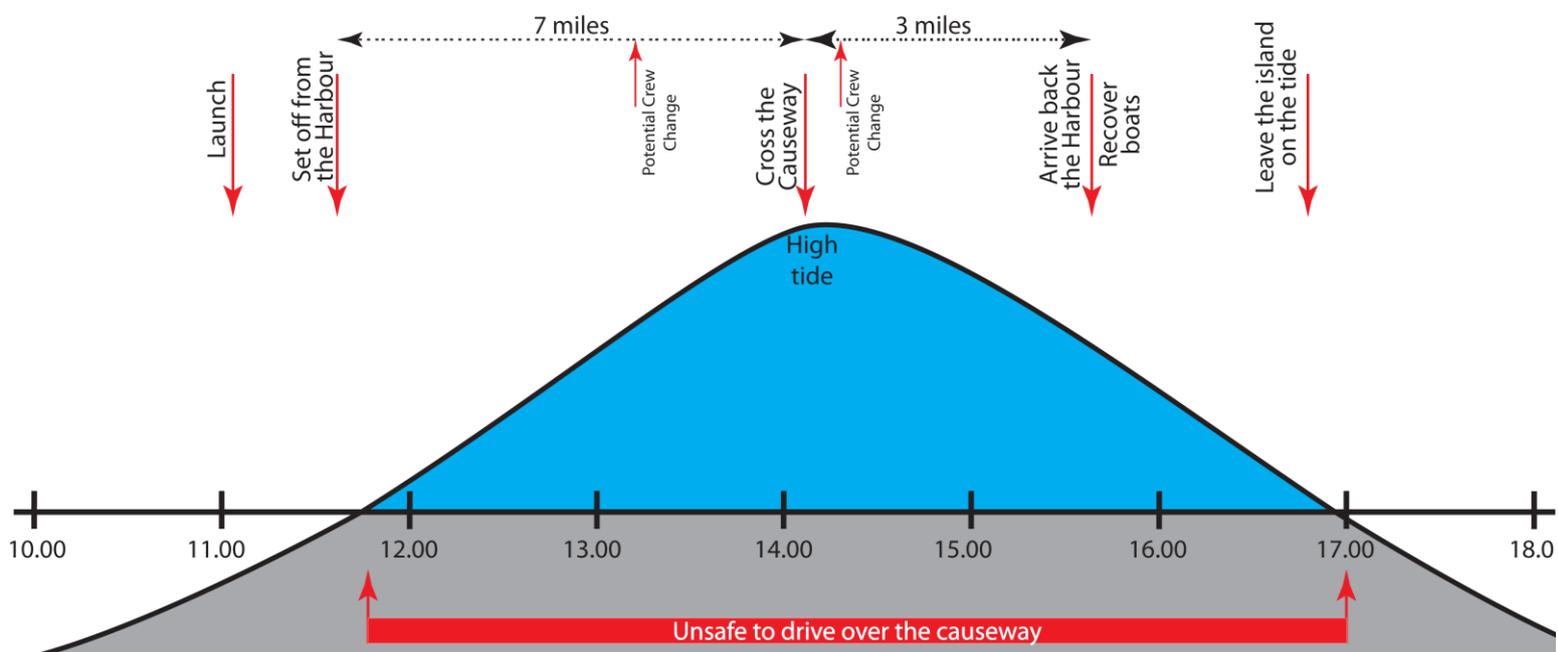
- 10.30 - 11.00 Access onto the Island (see safe crossing times below)
- 11.00 Launch
- 11.30 Set off from the harbour
- 14.00 Row over the Causeway
- 15.30 Arrive back at the Harbour, maybe sample to local beer?
- 17.00 Leave the island as the tide recedes

Please email Amble CRC at clanangus@hotmail.com to confirm if you will be attending and I'll liaise with the relevant authorities on behalf of us all.

Alternative Route - Explore Holy Island Sound. Depending on weather and crew ability some boats may opt to stay within the sound which it's self will provide an interesting row out.

Launch Costs

There appears to be two options for launching. Either carry the skiff onto the foreshore or alternatively use the fisherman's concrete slipway for which there is a charge of around £8 to £10 per boat. Options to be decided on the day based on how much mud there is between the shore and the water's edge.



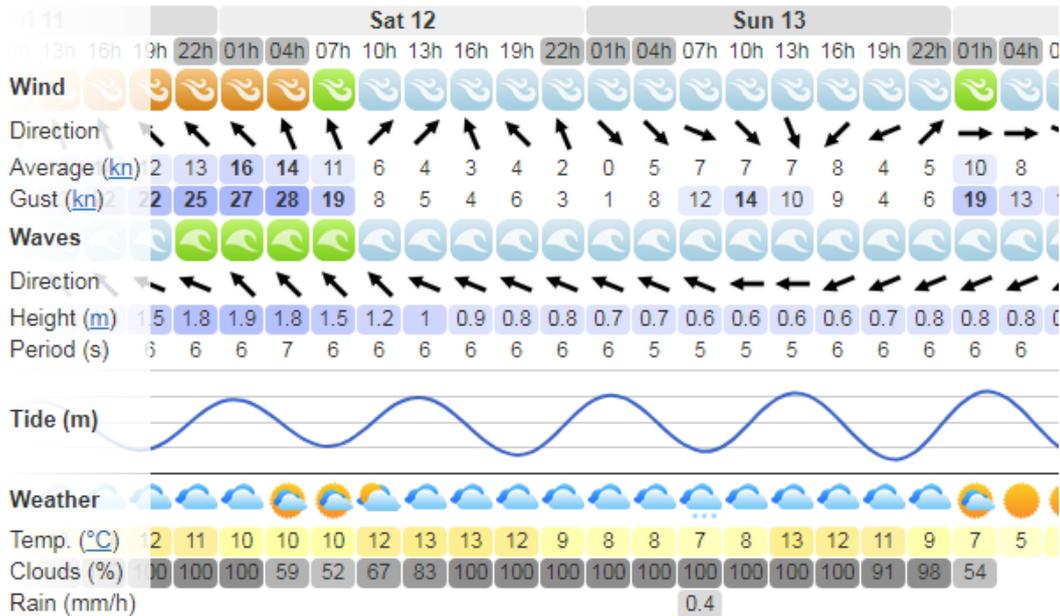
Forecast

Forecasts at present as of Thursday evening. Under constant review along with other weather services

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	SURF	SWELL RATING	PRIMARY SWELL	SECONDARY SWELL	WIND	WEATHER	PRO
SUNDAY 13/05							
12am	1-2ft	★★★★★	2.5ft 6s	←	1 ² mph ←	☁ 9°C	100%
3am	1-2ft	★★★★★	2ft 5s	←	9 ¹⁰ mph ↓	☁ 9°C	100%
6am	1-2ft	★★★★★	2ft 5s	←	12 ¹⁶ mph ↘	☁ 8°C	100%
9am	1-2ft	★★★★★	2ft 5s	←	12 ¹⁸ mph ↘	☁ 8°C	100%
Noon	2-3ft	★★★★★	2ft 5s	↗	10 ¹¹ mph ↓	☁ 10°C	80%
3pm	2-3ft	★★★★★	2ft 5s	↗	11 ¹² mph ↘	☁ 9°C	80%
6pm	2-3ft	★★★★★	2ft 6s	←	5 ⁶ mph ↗	☁ 9°C	70%
9pm	2-3ft	★★★★★	2.5ft 6s	←	5 ⁶ mph ↗	☾ 10°C	70%

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Holy Island Safe crossing times on 13th May

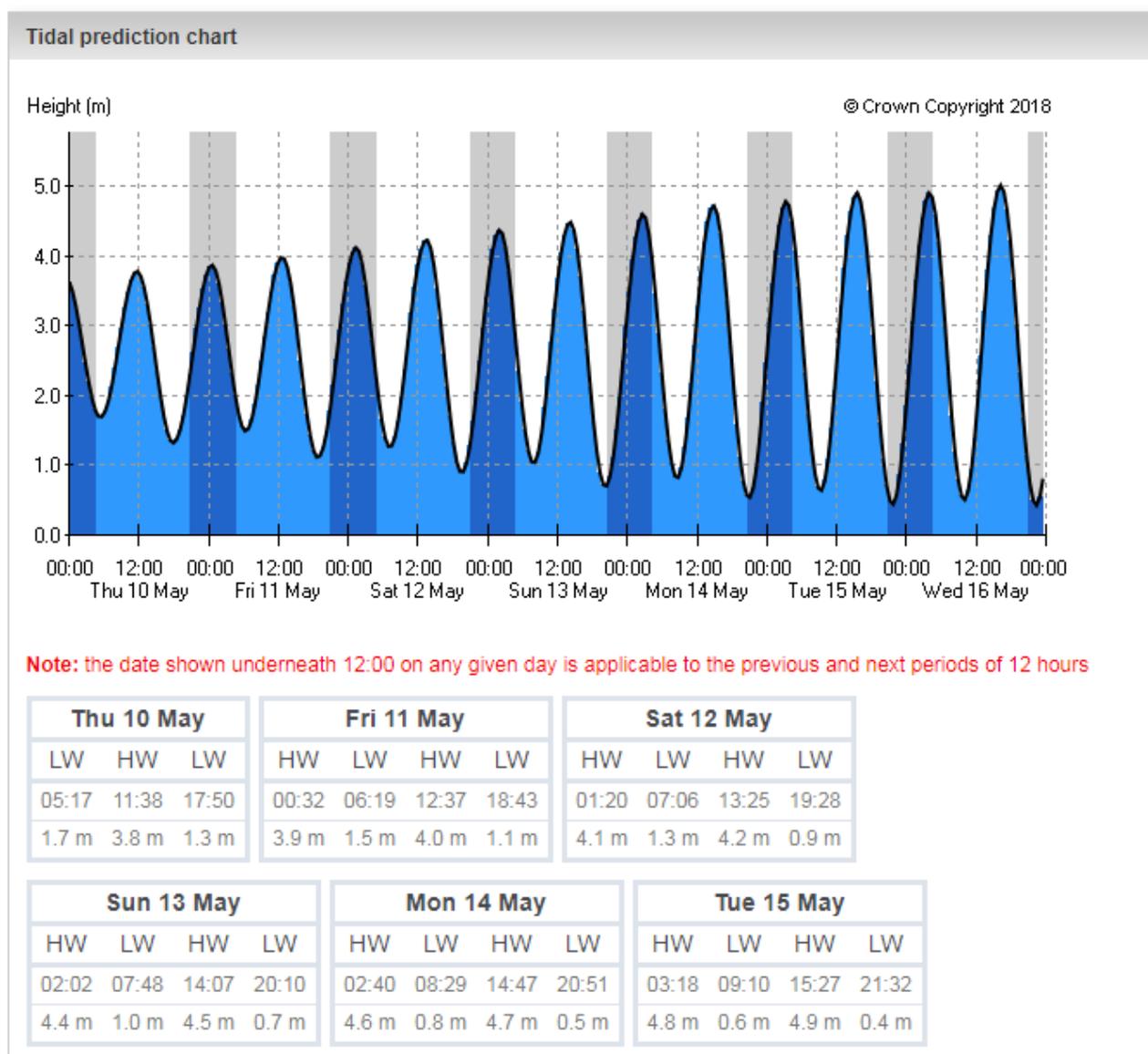
Date	Safe to cross	Unsafe to cross	Safe to cross	Unsafe to cross
Sun 13	05:00 until 12:10	12:10 until 17:20	17:20 until 00:30 (Mon)	00:30 (Mon) until 06:05 (Mon)

The times are provided by Northumberland County Council in good faith however they should be treated with caution, as local weather conditions (such as high wind) can change them. Always allow 30 minutes extra time to compensate for these variables.

When it says "Unsafe" it means Unsafe. Almost one car per week gets caught out during peak season.



Tidal Information 10th to the 15th May 2018 BST



Please note that all the above is nothing more than informal information designed to help you make your own decision based on your assessment of the situation. All boats and crew put to sea at their own risk. There will not be a safety boat in attendance.

