

Herne Bay Tide Gauge

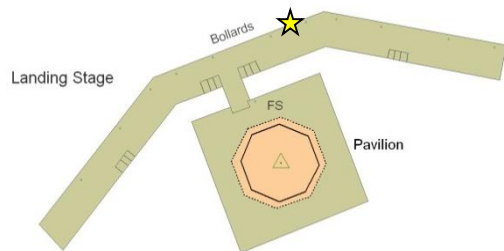
Location

OS: 616895E 169377N

WGS84: Latitude: 51° 22.919196' N Longitude: 01° 6.9335907' E

Instrument Type

Etrometa Step Gauge



Benchmarks

Benchmark

TGBM = 5.524m above Ordnance Datum Newlyn

616894.912E 169376.689N

Description

Steel pin

TGZ = -3.510m above Ordnance Datum Newlyn

TGZ = -0.790m above Chart Datum

TGZ = 9.034m below TGBM

Datum

All data are to Ordnance Datum Newlyn. The height of Chart Datum relative to Ordnance Datum at Herne Bay is -2.72m (Admiralty Tide Tables, Supplementary Table III).

Survey information

The site was last surveyed on 26 November 2004. All data prior to this date were re-adjusted to the new level.

Site characteristics

The old pier head is now detached from the shore. Some wave reflection from the dolphin legs can occur. The frontage is along the outer Thames estuary. Spring tidal range is 4.9m.

Data Quality

Recovery rate (%)	Sample interval
97	10 minutes

Service history

The step gauge became operational on 24 April 1996. No re-calibration of the gauge is necessary. It was last serviced in May 2015. There were on-going problems with the lower section of the gauge during autumn 2013, but replacement of the lower section was delayed due to problems with access to the dolphin. The gauge was fully operational from mid-July 2014

Measurements

Prior to 01 May 2008, the step gauge measuring burst was 10 minutes at 2.56Hz, every 10 minutes, with the time stamp for the 10 minute average at the centre of the burst. From 00:00Z 01 May 2008, the measuring burst is 1 minute at 2.56Hz, every 10 minutes, time stamped at the start of the burst.

Residuals and Elevations (OD and CD) for the whole year are shown in Figures 1 to 3 respectively.

Statistics

All times GMT

Month	Extreme maxima		Extreme minima	
	Elevation (OD)	Date/Time	Elevation (OD)	Date/Time
January	2.94	24-Jan-2015 15:00	-2.53	23-Jan-2015 08:30
February	3.02	20-Feb-2015 13:20	-2.92	22-Feb-2015 21:30
March	3.10	21-Mar-2015 13:00	-2.71	22-Mar-2015 07:40
April	2.66	20-Apr-2015 00:50	-2.48	19-Apr-2015 06:30
May	2.72	19-May-2015 13:00	-2.47	06-May-2015 20:00
June	2.66	03-Jun-2015 12:30	-2.66	02-Jun-2015 05:50
July	2.70	08-Jul-2015 16:30	-2.34	17-Jul-2015 19:40
August	2.96	31-Aug-2015 01:10	-2.52	03-Aug-2015 20:50
September	3.05	01-Sep-2015 01:50	-2.48	28-Sep-2015 18:40
October	2.90	28-Oct-2015 00:10	-2.41	29-Oct-2015 20:00
November	3.10	30-Nov-2015 02:40	-2.39	28-Nov-2015 20:30
December	2.80	25-Dec-2015 11:50	-2.65	30-Dec-2015 10:20

Month	Surge maxima		Surge minima	
	Value (m)	Date/Time	Value (m)	Date/Time
January	1.48	10-Jan-2015 22:30	-1.44	15-Jan-2015 07:00
February	0.70	08-Feb-2015 05:50	-1.70	22-Feb-2015 23:30
March	0.98	10-Mar-2015 17:50	-1.41	09-Mar-2015 23:40
April	0.59	01-Apr-2015 05:50	-0.65	04-Apr-2015 22:30
May	0.42	01-May-2015 00:00	-0.64	06-May-2015 21:20
June	0.43	15-Jun-2015 04:10	-1.23	02-Jun-2015 07:40
July	0.71	25-Jul-2015 13:00	-0.53	21-Jul-2015 00:10
August	0.42	31-Aug-2015 15:30	-0.61	21-Aug-2015 13:20
September	0.74	05-Sep-2015 12:30	-0.45	12-Sep-2015 20:40
October	1.02	23-Oct-2015 03:20	-0.56	23-Oct-2015 17:30
November	1.54	21-Nov-2015 14:50	-0.84	08-Nov-2015 19:50
December	0.83	06-Dec-2015 20:30	-1.71	30-Dec-2015 12:50

Month	Mean Level	
	No. of days	Elevation (OD)
January	31	0.168
February	28	0.068
March	31	0.057
April	30	0.075
May	31	0.094
June	30	0.093
July	31	0.160
August	23	0.157
September	30	0.234
October	31	0.234
November	30	0.264
December	31	0.090

Highest values in 2015			
Extreme		Surge	
Elevation (OD) (Surge component)	Date/Time	Value (m)	Date/Time
3.10 (0.14)	21-Mar-2015 13:00	1.54	21-Nov-2015 14:50
3.10 (0.48)	30-Nov-2015 02:40	1.51	21-Nov-2015 15:00
3.05 (0.18)	01-Sep-2015 01:50	1.48	10-Jan-2015 22:30
3.02 (0.09)	20-Feb-2015 13:20	1.43	10-Jan-2015 22:00
3.01 (0.12)	02-Sep-2015 14:40	1.20	13-Nov-2015 21:20
2.98 (0.11)	01-Sep-2015 13:50	1.17	13-Nov-2015 20:50
2.97 (-0.01)	21-Feb-2015 14:00	1.04	12-Jan-2015 23:50
2.96 (0.18)	31-Aug-2015 13:00	1.03	12-Jan-2015 23:20
2.96 (0.16)	31-Aug-2015 01:10	1.02	23-Oct-2015 03:20
2.94 (0.10)	24-Jan-2015 15:00	1.00	29-Nov-2015 23:20

Year	Annual extreme maxima		Annual surge maxima		Z ₀ (OD)	Annual recovery rate
	Elevation (OD) (Surge)	Date/Time	Value (m)	Date/Time		
1996	3.11 (0.54)	13-Nov-1996 00:50	1.29	12-Sep-1996 20:30	-	60%
1997	3.16 (0.66)	11-Apr-1997 15:00	1.23	18-Feb-1997 17:40	-	88%
1998	3.35 (0.52)	08-Oct-1998 13:40	1.39	11-Mar-1998 18:40	-	90%
1999	3.15 (0.55)	27-Nov-1999 14:50	1.87	05-Feb-1999 11:00	-	76%
2000	3.20 (0.51)	22-Jan-2000 12:50	1.78	30-Jan-2000 03:40	-	84%
2001	3.28 (0.65)	08-Feb-2001 12:00	1.71	08-Nov-2001 14:30	-	91%
2002	3.14 (0.39)	07-Nov-2002 01:10	1.68	27-Oct-2002 22:10	0.141	99%
2003	3.09 (0.61)	08-Oct-2003 23:30	1.61	30-Jan-2003 18:00	0.172	100%
2004	3.35 (0.77)	13-Nov-2004 00:20	1.81	08-Feb-2004 21:10	-	96%
2005	3.35 (1.19)	16-Dec-2005 12:40	1.78	25-Nov-2005 01:10	0.148	84%
2006	3.18 (0.40)	07-Oct-2006 11:40	1.95	31-Oct-2006 22:20	0.141	87%
2007	3.35 (0.76)	25-Nov-2007 11:50	2.52	09-Nov-2007 06:50	0.168	97%
2008	3.14 (0.70)	21-Mar-2008 11:50	1.43	21-Nov-2008 12:30	-	70%
2009	2.99 (0.57)	04-Oct-2009 11:50	1.96	31-Mar-2009 09:10	0.140	98%
2010	2.97 (0.51)	23-Dec-2010 13:50	1.22	16-Dec-2010 15:50	0.172	93%
2011	3.28 (0.88)	28-Nov-2011 01:20	1.77	27-Nov-2011 21:30	0.141	95%
2012	3.03 (0.35)	17-Oct-2012 00:40	1.59	05-Jan-2012 18:50	0.133	98%
2013	4.10 (1.59)	06-Dec-2013 01:30	2.65	05-Dec-2013 21:20	0.130	69%
2014	3.28 (1.24)	21-Oct-2014 23:20	1.83	22-Oct-2014 03:40	-	61%
2015	3.10 (0.14)	21-Mar-2015 13:00	1.54	21-Nov-2015 14:50		97%

Tidal levels		
Observation period	March 2007 to December 2012	
Tide Level	Elevation (OD)	Elevation (CD)
HAT	3.02	5.75
MHWS	2.49	5.21
MHWN	1.45	4.17
MSL	0.15	2.87
MLWN	-1.16	1.57
MLWS	-2.19	0.53
LAT	-2.72	-0.00

General

The time series of 10 minute tidal elevations for one year is quality-checked in accordance with ESEAS guidelines, flagged and archived. The archived time series is continuous and monotonic, with missing data given as 9999. The missing data shown are days where the entire 24 hours of data are missing.

Monthly [extreme maxima/minima](#) are the maximum and minimum water levels from all measured data for that month. Monthly [surge maxima/minima](#) (residuals) are calculated in a similar manner from the time series of residuals. Residuals are derived as the measured tidal elevation minus the predicted tidal elevation.

The monthly Mean Level is calculated as the average of all readings for the given month. The annual Z_0 is the value of Mean Sea Level derived by the harmonic analysis of the year's data. These values should not be used for any purpose without consideration of the recovery rate.

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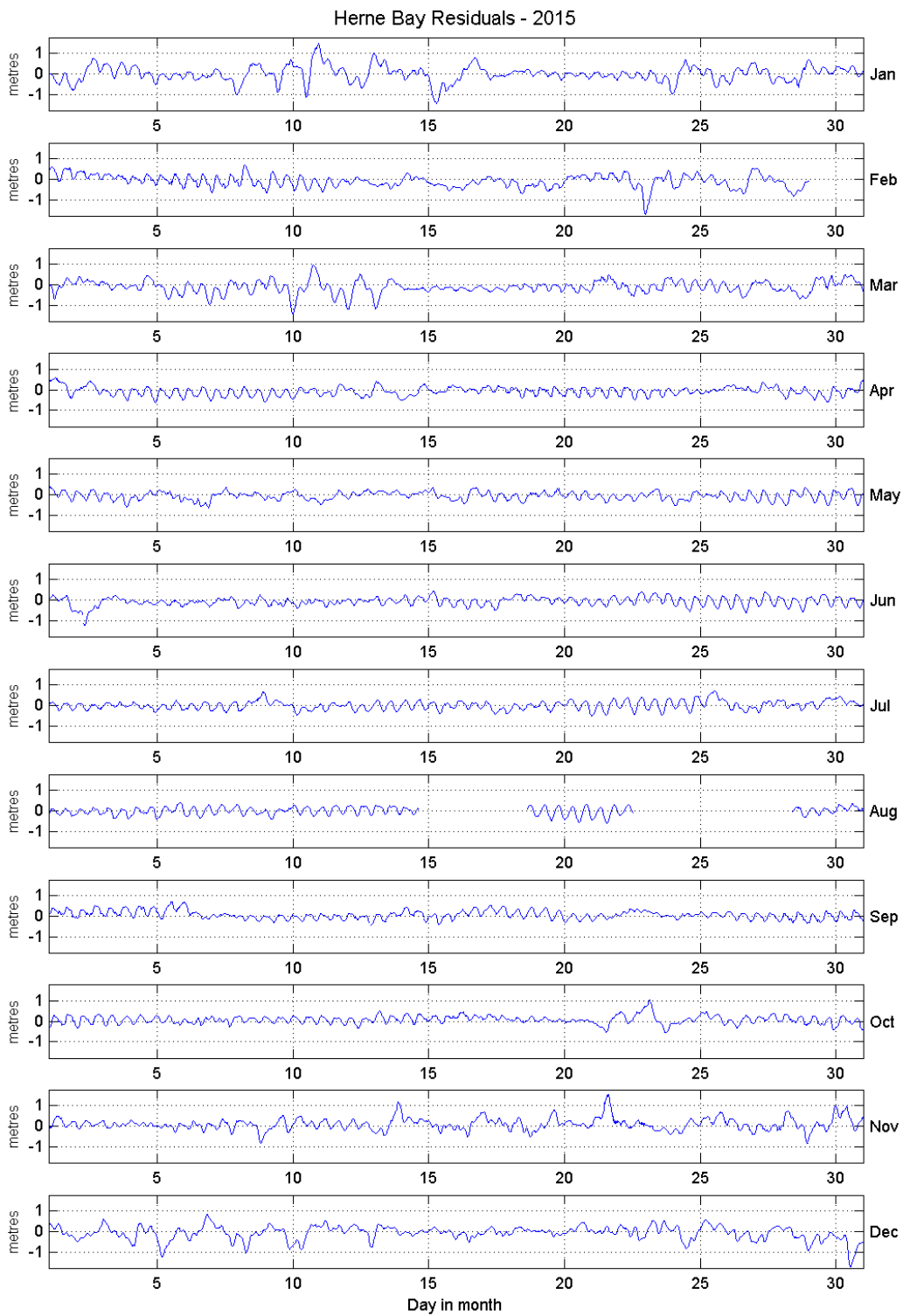


Figure 1: Herne Bay residuals for 2015

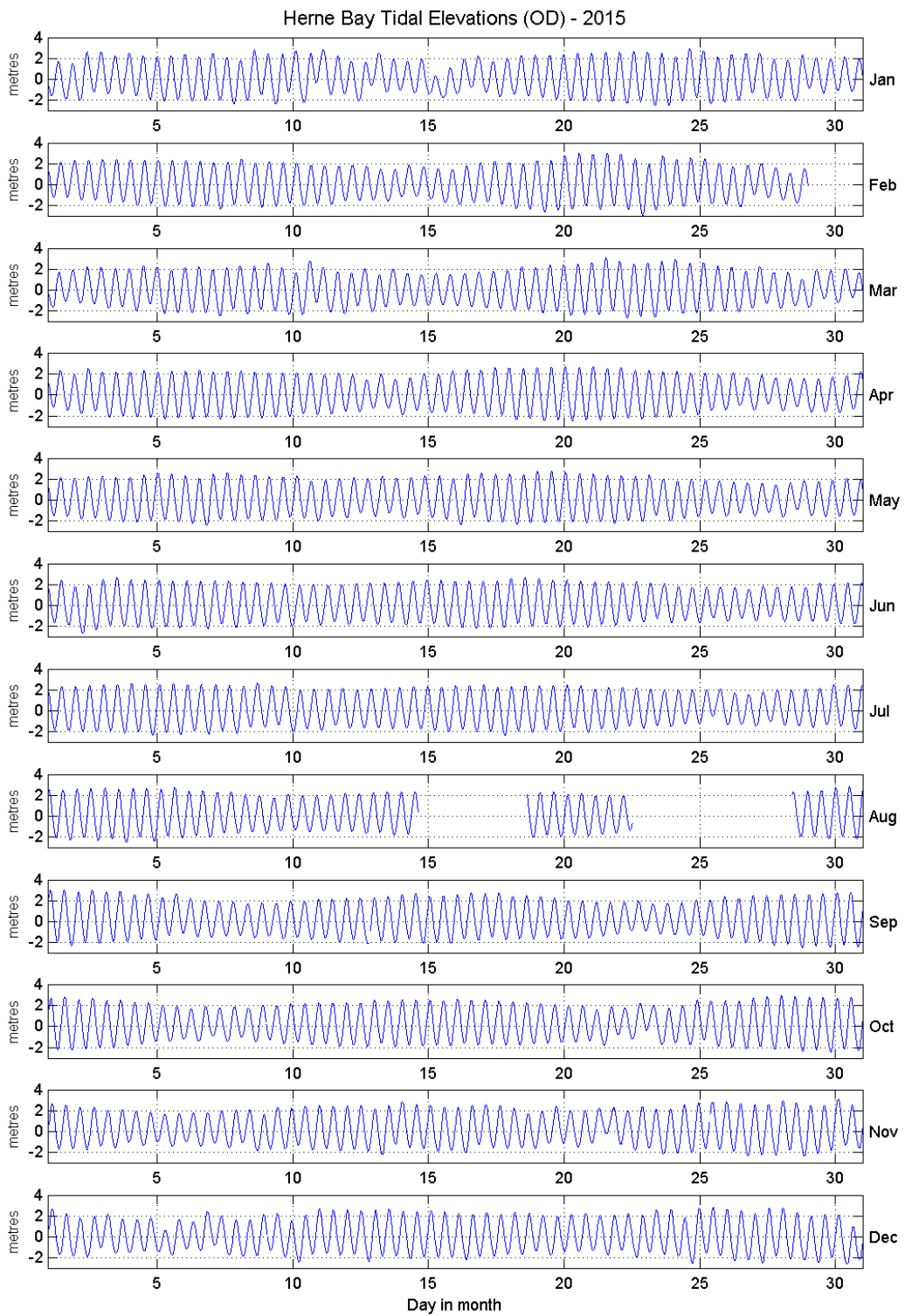


Figure 2: Herne Bay tidal elevations for 2015 relative to Ordnance Datum

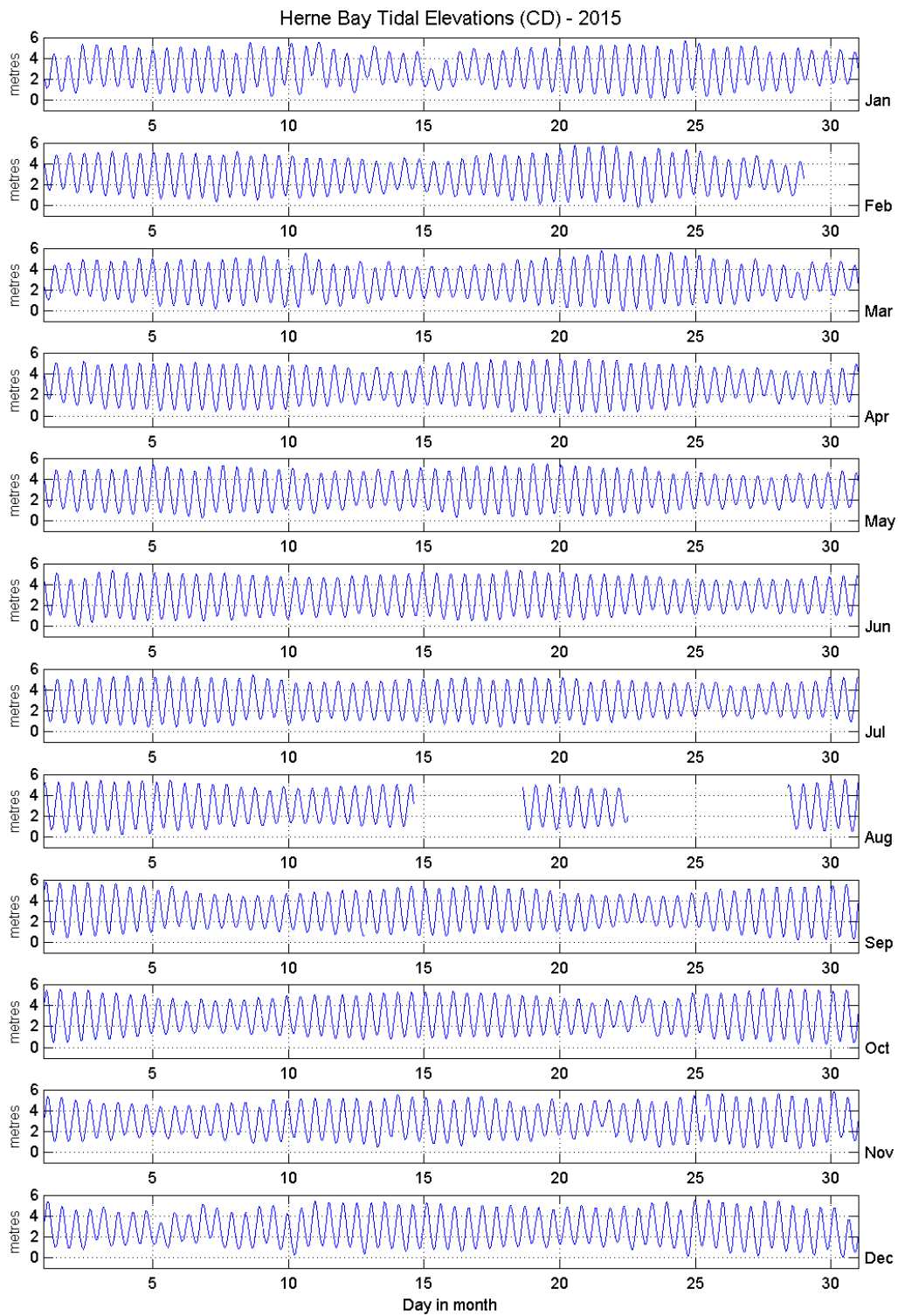


Figure 3: Herne Bay tidal elevations for 2015 relative to Chart Datum