



## LIST OF EVENTS & MANNED WATCHES NATIONAL WHALE & DOLPHIN WATCH 2010

Listed are land watches and boat based operations that have been planned during NWDW during which data will be collected on cetaceans that will be sent to Sea Watch for analysis. Everyone is welcome to join these watches where there will be information on cetaceans and Sea Watch activities available. Land watches are free but charges apply for boat trips, contact the operator for further details. Watches may be weather dependent.

Keep checking this page as new events will continue to be added. If you would like to do a timed watch either from land or sea contact:

[sightings@seawatchfoundation.org.uk](mailto:sightings@seawatchfoundation.org.uk) or call 01545 561227.

### **SHETLAND**

*Species you can see: Humpback whale, minke whale, long finned pilot whale, killer whale, Risso's dolphin, white beaked dolphin, Atlantic white sided dolphin, harbour porpoise.*

#### *Land based*

Papa Stour (land watches will be set up around the island on five days during NWDW). Contact for further details. Guests at backpackers are very welcome to participate.

Contact: **Peter Dudley**, 01595 873227 [peter@hurdibackhostel.co.uk](mailto:peter@hurdibackhostel.co.uk)  
<http://www.hurdibackhostel.co.uk>

### **ORKNEY**

*Species you can see: Minke whale, long finned pilot whale, killer whale, Risso's dolphin, white beaked dolphin, Atlantic white sided dolphin, harbour porpoise.*

#### *Land based*

Hoxa Head, South Ronaldsay  
12th August 1000-1300, 15th August 1600-1900

Contact: **Jenni Kakkonen**, 01856 781206 [Jenni.Kakkonen@orkney.gov.uk](mailto:Jenni.Kakkonen@orkney.gov.uk)

Fowl Craig , North Hill , Papa Westray  
7<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup> August 1700-2000

Contact: **Nic Crocker**, 01857 644245 [papawestray@btinternet.com](mailto:papawestray@btinternet.com)

*Boat based*

### **SEAORKNEY**

Wildlife trips from the North Isles for up to four passengers, tailored to suit customers wishes.

Contact: **Kenny Sinclair**, 01856 861335 / 07808811819 [merryfisher@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:merryfisher@hotmail.co.uk)  
<http://www.seaorkney.co.uk>

### **NORTH & NORTH EAST SCOTLAND**

*Species you can see: Risso's dolphin, harbour porpoise, killer whale, white beaked dolphin, long finned pilot whale, short beaked common dolphin.*

*Land based*

Thurso, Caravan Park, Caithness. Map Ref ND 110 689  
7th August 1600-1800

Lybster, Swiney Hill, Caithness. Map Ref ND 241 344  
8th August 1000-1200

Wick, Trinkies, Caithness. Map Ref ND 377 494  
10th August 1800-2000

Duncansby Head, Caithness. Map Ref ND 404 733  
13th August 1800-2000

Lybster, Swiney Hill, Caithness. Map Ref ND 241 344  
14th August 1500-1700

Contact: **Colin Bird**, 01593 721480 [ColinB51@aol.com](mailto:ColinB51@aol.com)

Holborn Head, Thurso, Caithness (meet North Coast Ranger at lighthouse)  
9th August 1900-2100

Latheron Wheel, Caithness  
9<sup>th</sup> August 1400

Strathy Point  
12<sup>th</sup> August 1400 Cetacean presentation at Strathy Inn followed by watch at Point  
1500-1700

Contact: **Neil MacLeod/Paul Castle**, 01847 821531 [Neil.Macleod3@highland.gov.uk](mailto:Neil.Macleod3@highland.gov.uk)  
/ [Paul.Castle@highland.gov.uk](mailto:Paul.Castle@highland.gov.uk)

### **MORAY FIRTH**

*Species you can see: Bottlenose dolphin, harbour porpoise, minke whale, short beaked common dolphin.*

*Land based*

North Kessock - Car Park opposite the North Kessock Hotel.  
7th August 1800 – 2000

South Sutor - Car park at the top of the hill of South Sutor.  
9 August 1800 – 2000  
15th August 1000 – 1400

Contact: **Howard Loates**, 01463221312 [howardloates@talktalk.net](mailto:howardloates@talktalk.net)

Burghead, Old Coastguard Lookout  
8th August 1400-1600

Findochty Church  
14th August 1400-1600

Contact: **Alan Airey**, 01309675689 [al\\_airey@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:al_airey@hotmail.co.uk)

*Boat based*

### **Ecoventures**

Dolphin cruises on custom-built ribs taking up to 12 passengers (day trips) leaving from Cromarty

Contact: **Robyn Haugh** 01381 600323 [info@ecoventures.co.uk](mailto:info@ecoventures.co.uk)  
<http://www.ecoventures.co.uk>

### **SOUTH GRAMPIAN**

*Species you can see: Bottlenose dolphin, harbour porpoise, minke whale, white-beaked dolphin*

*Land based*

Torry Battery, Aberdeen  
8<sup>th</sup> August 1400-1600

Fraserburgh, Kinnaird Head  
9<sup>th</sup> August 1400-1600

Collieston (St Catherines Dub car park, just north of the harbour)  
11th August 1800-2000

Torry Battery 1400-1600  
14<sup>th</sup> August

Stonehaven  
15<sup>th</sup> August 1400-1600

Contact: **Kevin Hepworth**, 07818680129 [grampianseawatch@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:grampianseawatch@yahoo.co.uk)

### **SOUTH EAST SCOTLAND**

*Species you can see: Bottlenose dolphin, harbour porpoise, minke whale.*

*Land based*

Cove Bay, Berwickshire  
7th & 14th August 1100-1500

Contact: **Esther Jacobs**, [esther.j@blueyonder.co.uk](mailto:esther.j@blueyonder.co.uk)

St Abb's Head, Berwickshire  
8<sup>th</sup> August 1100-1600

Contact: **Georgia Conolly**, 0844 493 2256 [gconolly@nts.org.uk](mailto:gconolly@nts.org.uk)

### **SOUTH WEST SCOTLAND**

*Species you can see: Harbour porpoise, short-beaked common dolphin, bottlenose dolphin, minke whale*

*Land based*

Balcary Point, nr Auchencairn  
8<sup>th</sup> August 1000-1400

Drop in on local whale and dolphin experts looking for porpoises on the Inner Solway. Learn about the different species of whales, dolphins and porpoises found off the Dumfries and Galloway coast.

Contact: **Marc Pollitt**, 01387 249207 [mpollitt@dgerc.org.uk](mailto:mpollitt@dgerc.org.uk)

Strone NS 18989 80785

14<sup>th</sup> August 1800-2000

Contact: **Rowan Fraser**, 01389 722106 [rowan.fraser@lochlomond-trossachs.org](mailto:rowan.fraser@lochlomond-trossachs.org)

### **HEBRIDES & WEST SCOTLAND**

*Species you can see: Harbour porpoise, minke whale, bottlenose dolphin, short-beaked common dolphin, killer whale, humpback whale, Risso's dolphin*

*Land based*

Ardnamurchan Lighthouse, Morven Peninsula

7th August 1200-1600

Cailleach Point, Mull.

14th August 1200-1600

Contact: **Sandra Koetter, HWDT**, 01688 302859 [sightings@hwdt.org](mailto:sightings@hwdt.org)

Butt of Lewis, Western Isles

10<sup>th</sup> August 1000-1200

12<sup>th</sup> August 1000-1200

Contact: **Julie Sievwright**, 01851 810825 [julie@uogtld.com](mailto:julie@uogtld.com)

*Boat based*

### **Sea Fari Adventures**

Wildlife watching day trips from Armadale Pier, Isle of Skye

Contact: **Peter Fowler** 01471 833316 / 822361 [skyseafari@aol.com](mailto:skyseafari@aol.com)

<http://www.whalespotting.co.uk>

### **Sea-life Adventures**

Two to five hour whale and wildlife trips aboard the purpose built 850 horsepower "Porpoise II" on the West Coast of Scotland near Oban in Argyll.

Contact: **David Ainsley**, 01631 571010 (Day) 01852 300203 (Eve and W/ends)

[info@sealife-adventures.com](mailto:info@sealife-adventures.com)

<http://www.sealife-adventures.com>

### **NORTH WEST SCOTLAND**

*Species you can see: Harbour porpoise, minke whale, short-beaked common dolphin, fin whale, killer whale.*

*Land based*

Handa Island

13th August 1100-1500 (meet at Handa shelter at 1000) Weather dependent.

Contact: **Handa Ranger**, 07920 468572 [handaranger@swt.org.uk](mailto:handaranger@swt.org.uk)

### **Gairloch Marine Life Centre & Cruises:**

Two hour land based surveys will be held on days / times to be arranged (contact for further details). Meet at Gairloch Marine Wildlife Centre. Event is open to all and is free of charge.

#### *Boat based*

Two hour vessel based surveys daily with a qualified marine biologist throughout the week at 10:00am, 12:30pm, 3:00pm and 5:00pm £20 adults £10 under 18's

Contact: **Ian and Sam French, Gairloch Marine Wildlife Centre & Cruises**, 01445 712636 [info@porpoise-gairloch.co.uk](mailto:info@porpoise-gairloch.co.uk)  
<http://www.porpoise-gairloch.co.uk>

### **Hebridean Whale Cruises**

Inshore trips around Loch Gairloch or whale & dolphin trips to North Minch.

Contact: **Nick Davies**, 01445 712458 [nick999davies@hotmail.com](mailto:nick999davies@hotmail.com)  
<http://www.hebridean-whale-cruises.com>

### **NORTH EAST ENGLAND**

*Species you can see: Harbour porpoise, bottlenose dolphin, minke whale, white-beaked dolphin.*

#### *Land based*

YWT Flamborough Cliffs Nature Reserve (on the cliffs to the east of North Landing beach (follow the coast path and you'll see us!))  
13<sup>th</sup> August 1000-1600

Please bring binoculars and or scopes.

Contact: **Anthony Hurd**, 01904 659570 [anthony.hurd@ywt.org.uk](mailto:anthony.hurd@ywt.org.uk)

#### *Boat based*

**BOAT TRIPS CANCELLED DUE TO BAD WEATHER UNTIL AT LEAST SAT 14<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST.  
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### **Whitby Coastal Cruises**

'Finding Fins' boat trips from Whitby, North Yorkshire

Wednesday 11th/Thursday 12th/Friday 13th/Sunday 15th August

On Specksioneer, Whitby Coastal Cruises, with Regional Co-ordinator and Trustee Robin Petch - only 12 places on each trip.

1000-1200 Seal Colony trip, 2.5hrs, good chance of finding porpoises on both the inshore and offshore routes - £15

1240-1620 30 minute trips all afternoon with porpoise possibilities! - £3 (no booking)

1700-2000 Three hour coastal/offshore "Finding Fins" cruise looking for porpoise, minke whales, white-beaked dolphins and other species - £15

On Esk Belle II, Wednesday 11th - Sunday 15th August. No Sea Watch staff but the skipper and crew will be looking!

1015+ The usual 25 minute trips throughout the day - £2.50 depending on time, with a chance of seeing porpoise.

1800+ (times vary) There will also be two 1 hour evening, sunset and/or twilight cruises for £6

Contact: **Robin Petch & Kris Simpson**

Tel: 01482 634028 / 07768 592306 Email: [robin@dolphinspotter.co.uk](mailto:robin@dolphinspotter.co.uk)

## **SUSSEX**

*Species you can see: Bottlenose dolphin, harbour porpoise, short-beaked common dolphin*

*Land based*

Shoreham Beach, West Sussex (adjacent to the Old Fort at the western end of Shoreham Beach).

7<sup>th</sup> August 1015-1400

Contact: **Stephen Savage**, 07773610036 [stevep.savage@ntlworld.com](mailto:stevep.savage@ntlworld.com)

## **DORSET**

*Species you can see: Bottlenose dolphin, harbour porpoise, short beaked common dolphin.*

*Land based*

Poole Bay  
7th August 1000-1400

Contact: **Ian Rabjohns**, Poole Bay Cetacean Watch, 01202738882  
ianatpbcwgroup@yahoo.co.uk  
<http://ianrabjohns.webs.com/>

## **SOUTH DEVON**

*Species you can see: Bottlenose dolphin, harbour porpoise, short beaked-common dolphin.*

*Land based*

Bolt Head (near Salcombe)  
8th August 0900-1300

Contact: **Lauren Davis**, 01392 274128 [ldavis@devonwildlifetrust.org](mailto:ldavis@devonwildlifetrust.org)

Berry Head National Nature Reserve, Brixham  
7th-15th August 0700-1700

Contact: **Nigel Smallbones**, 01803 882619 [n.smallbones@countryside-trust.org.uk](mailto:n.smallbones@countryside-trust.org.uk)

*Boat based*

### **Paignton Pleasure Cruises**

Wildlife watching trips leaving from Paignton.

Contact: **Ashley Lane**, 07767622727 [ashleylane@blueyonder.co.uk](mailto:ashleylane@blueyonder.co.uk) /  
[ssellors@btopenworld.com](mailto:ssellors@btopenworld.com)

### **Whitestrاند Boat Hire**

Mackerel fishing trips and RIB rides from Salcombe by WISE accredited skipper.

Contact: **Anna Turns**, 01548 843818/07528 410389, [info@whitestrاندboathire.co.uk](mailto:info@whitestrاندboathire.co.uk)  
[www.whitestrاندboathire.co.uk](http://www.whitestrاندboathire.co.uk)

## **CORNWALL**

*Species you can see: Bottlenose dolphin, harbour porpoise, short beaked common dolphin, Risso's dolphin, minke whale, fin whale*

*Land based*

Peninnis Head (near the lighthouse) SV 911 094  
11th August 1330 – 1500

Godrevy Point  
9<sup>th</sup> August 1800-2000  
14<sup>th</sup> August 1800-2000

Contact: **Dan Jarvis**, Cornwall British Divers Marine Life Rescue, 01736  
752723/07774711949 [tolroydave@aol.com](mailto:tolroydave@aol.com)

*Boat based*

### **Elemental Tours**

Expertly guided, marine wildlife, ocean & coastal cruises on 12 seater R.I.B. around the Land's End and Lizard Peninsulas.

Contact: **Rory Goodall**

Tel: 017360811200/07971540280 Email: [elementaltours@blue-earth.co.uk](mailto:elementaltours@blue-earth.co.uk)  
<http://www.elementaltours.co.uk/>

### **Marine Discovery Penzance**

One and two hour wildlife trips from Penzance Harbour onboard a sailing catamaran.

Contact: **Hannah or Duncan Jones**, 01736 874907 / 07749277110

[info@marinediscovery.co.uk](mailto:info@marinediscovery.co.uk)  
<http://www.marinediscovery.co.uk>

## **NORTH DEVON**

*Species you can see: Harbour porpoise, short beaked common dolphin, bottlenose dolphin*

*Land based*

Baggy Point, Croyde (parking available at the National Trust car park at Croyde)  
9<sup>th</sup> August 1000-1200 (Note change in date)  
15<sup>th</sup> August 1000-1200

Contact: **David Jenkins**, 07970011542 [davidjenkins@mortepoint.eclipse.co.uk](mailto:davidjenkins@mortepoint.eclipse.co.uk)

Lundy, various locations  
7<sup>th</sup>-13<sup>th</sup> August 1000-1200

Contact: **Chris & Sharron Blackmore**, 07531781738 [christosblackmore@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:christosblackmore@yahoo.co.uk)

## **BRISTOL CHANNEL & SOUTH WALES**

*Species you can see: Harbour porpoise, short-beaked common dolphin, minke whale*

*Land based*

The Seawatch Centre, Summerhouse Point, Boverton, Nr. Llantwit Major.  
Grid Reference SS 994 665  
15th August 1000-1300

Directions to the Seawatch Centre

1. From Barry, Cardiff and the East: Approach Llantwit Major along the B4265 coast road and TURN LEFT at the first traffic lights.

2. From Bridgend or Cowbridge: Approach Llantwit Major and join the bypass (B4265) at a traffic island, heading East towards St. Athan and Cardiff. TURN RIGHT at the second set of traffic lights immediately after going under the railway bridge.

Then:-

Follow the road for 1/4 mile into Boverton

TURN LEFT before the shops

Take the first LEFT

Follow the road for 1 1/2 mile through the farms where the road surface deteriorates

By the entrance to the former Summerhouse Bay Camp, TURN RIGHT into the small car park

At the Car Park walk through the kissing gate ( by the Seawatch sign) and follow the path down keeping RIGHT until you reach the coast footpath.

Take the next RIGHT leading to the steps and the Seawatch Centre.

Contact **Louise Bebb** 01446 795203/01656 880157 [LCBebb@valeofglamorgan.gov.uk](mailto:LCBebb@valeofglamorgan.gov.uk)

## WALES

*Species you can see: Bottlenose dolphin, harbour porpoise, short-beaked common dolphin, minke whale, Risso's dolphin, fin whale, humpback whale.*

To kick off NWDW, there will be a series of events on the 7<sup>th</sup> August in New Quay, Ceredigion including sand sculpturing on New Quay beach, face painting and land based watches for bottlenose dolphins on the pier. Join us on the beach from 1030.

### *Land based*

New Quay pier, Ceredigion  
7th-15th August 0700-1900

Mwnt Hill, Ceredigion  
8<sup>th</sup> August 0900-1300

Strumble Head, Pembrokeshire  
14<sup>th</sup> August 1100-1400

Point Lynas, North Anglesey  
14<sup>th</sup> August 1400

Contact: **Gemma Veneruso** 01545 561227  
[gemma.veneruso@seawatchfoundation.org.uk](mailto:gemma.veneruso@seawatchfoundation.org.uk)

*Boat based*

### **New Quay Boat Trips**

One and two hour dolphin and wildlife watching trips along the Ceredigion Marine Heritage Coast on motor vessels 'Ermol V' and 'Ermol VI'. Daily from New Quay Pier. Join SWF volunteers conducting research on dolphins, porpoise and seals. Contact: Booking office, 01545 560800 (day) or 01545 561375 (evening)  
[www.newquayboattrips.co.uk/](http://www.newquayboattrips.co.uk/)

### **SeaMor**

80 minute wildlife tours along the Ceredigion Marine Heritage Coast onboard 'Islander' daily from Aberaeron harbour. Join qualified marine biologists and help with the research.

Contact: **Hanna Nuuttila**, 07795242445 [info@seamor.org](mailto:info@seamor.org)  
<http://www.seamor.org/>

### **A Bay to Remember – Adventure Wildlife Boat Trips**

1 to 1.5 hour dolphin watching trips from the town of Cardigan. Our operating area includes Cardigan Island, Mwnt and Aberporth, some of the best places in Cardigan Bay's Special Area of Conservation to see our resident Bottlenose Dolphins.

Contact: **Tony Barber**, 01239 623558 [tony@baytoremember.co.uk](mailto:tony@baytoremember.co.uk)  
<http://www.baytoremember.co.uk>

### **Shearwater Cruises**

Specializing in scenic coastal cruises, visiting off-shore seal and seabird colonies where we usually see and are regularly joined by the resident dolphins. Operating from Pwllheli Marina, cruising to Abersoch, Aberdaron and Snowdonia.

Contact: **Alan Gray**, 01758-740899 / 07815-717241 [alan@llynmarinecharters.com](mailto:alan@llynmarinecharters.com) or [alan@shearwatercruises.com](mailto:alan@shearwatercruises.com)  
<http://www.shearwatercruises.com>

### **Pembrokeshire Dive Charters**

Wildlife cruises on motor vessels taking up to 12 passengers (day trips) from Neyland.

Contact: **Steve Lewis**  
Tel: 01646-602942 [sales@gopdc.co.uk](mailto:sales@gopdc.co.uk)  
<http://www.pdcgo.co.uk>

### **ISLE OF MAN**

*Species you can see: Bottlenose dolphin, Risso's dolphin, harbour porpoise, short-beaked common dolphin, long-finned pilot whale, minke whale, killer whale*

*Land based:*

Manx Whale & Dolphin Watch invites you to 'Picnic with a Porpoise'  
The Sound  
8<sup>th</sup> August 1200-1400

Bring along a picnic and watch for porpoises, seals, basking sharks, whales and dolphins. Binoculars and experts on hand to point out the fabulous marine life.

Contact: **Eleanor Stone** (Manx Wildlife Trust), 01624 801985  
[eleanor@manxwt.org.uk](mailto:eleanor@manxwt.org.uk)

### **NORTH WEST ENGLAND**

*Species you can see: Bottlenose dolphin, harbour porpoise.*

*Land based*

Blackpool:  
Mirror Ball, 7th August 0730-1130  
St Chad's Headland, 8th August 0730-1130  
Mirror Ball, 9th-13th August 1200-1300  
Bispham Tram station at end of Red Bank Road, 14th August 1300-1700  
Mirror Ball, 15th August 1400-1800

Contact: **Dave McGrath**, Sustainability Manager, Solaris Centre, New South  
Promenade, Blackpool, FY4 1RW, 01253 478020/07796 994 916  
[solaris.centre@blackpool.gov.uk](mailto:solaris.centre@blackpool.gov.uk)