

Marine Creatures sighted, stranded or landed during 2009

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- 5/1/09 A pod of 6 to 9 Bottlenose Dolphins, including one juvenile, was seen in Mounts Bay SW4723 moving along the coast between Penzance and Longrock SW498308
- 8/1/09 2 Harbour Porpoises were seen heading west off Capstone Point SS519480 at 1485 hrs
- 8/1/09 A pod of 15 to 20 Common Dolphins came in from the west 1 Km off Gwennap Head NCI Lookout SW365217 at 0945hrs. They were loafing about at the surface, heading east and west rather than feeding and remained there at least until 1200 hrs. There were also 5 Harbour Porpoises 1 to 1½ miles SW of the Lookout
- 9/1/09 3 Harbour Porpoises were milling and resting off Capstone Point SS519480 at 1251 hrs and again at 1538 hrs
- 10/1/09 A Grey Seal was bottling 50 metres offshore at Capstone Point SS519480 at 1353 hrs and was seen to surface again 300 metres to the west at 1422 hrs when a Harbour Porpoise was seen heading east 50metres off the Point.
- 11/1/09 A Grey Seal was bottling off Ilfracombe Pier SS525479 at 1312 hrs and later surfaced again 200 metres to the east.
- 15/1/09 A foot long Lump sucker *Cyclopterus lumpus*, was landed alive by a Newquay fisherman and was presented to the Blue Reef Aquarium at Newquay.
- 23/1/09 A single Harbour Porpoise was spotted in very rough seas 500 Mts off Pendeen Watch SW377358 at 1000 hrs
- 26/1/09 A single Harbour Porpoise was feeding at the back of St. Clement's Isle Mousehole SW474267 from 1215 to 1300 hrs
- 29/1/09 A pod of 9 Bottlenose Dolphins was feeding 200 metres off Cape Cornwall NCI Lookout SW349318 for ½ hour from 0830 hrs and then moved off to the north. A pod of 8 was seen off the Cape again at 1650 hrs
- 1/2/09 A very rare Ribbonfish, also known as Oarfish, *Regalecus glesne*, was found washed up on the coast near Hauxley Northumberland NU280030. They can grow to 10 metres long and weigh over a quarter of a tonne, the longest bony fish in the sea. The Ribbonfish propels itself with a long undulating dorsal fin, which gives it a sea serpent type of motion. It is believed, that they were feared by mariners for many centuries, as a mystical sea serpent or monster. Only four have been caught or cast up on British shores in the last 50 years, for they are more at home in deep sub-tropical waters.
- 7/2/09 A Harbour Porpoise was seen 1½ km SW of Gwennap Head SW367215 at 1100 hrs and another was seen heading west off Porthgwarra SW371216 at 1300 hrs
- 11/2/09 A Basking Shark was seen ¾km NW of Pendeen Watch SW377358 at 1150 hrs. It was only at the surface for a few minutes
- 12/2/09 2 Harbour Porpoises were beneath feeding gannets around the Carn Base buoy west of Gwennap Head SW361218 at 1030 hrs
- 13/2/09 8 Bottlenose Dolphins were seen heading west off Mexico Towans Hayle SW559389 with lots of surface activity at 1400 hrs and were seen again heading west off St Ives SW52040 at 1800 hrs with some surface activity
- 14/2/09 2 Risso's Dolphins were 1½km WSW of Gwennap Head NCI Lookout at 1130 hrs. They were an adult with a juvenile, although not a very small one. There might have been a third dolphin for a dorsal, thought to be larger was seen a couple of times.
- 14/2/09 3 Harbour Porpoises an adult with a juvenile and another adult were east of the Runnelstone SW369200 from 1200 to 1300 hrs
- 15/2/09 A Grey Seal was seen off Tater du SW440230 from 1241 to 1247hrs. There were a couple of passing gannets.
- 15/2/09 A Grey Seal was in the wash below the NCI watch at Cape Cornwall SW350318 at 1050hrs
- 18/2/09 2 Bottlenose Dolphins were seen heading southeast off St. Ives SW520407 at 1700 hrs. They were in view for 30 minutes and appeared to be feeding.
- 18/2/09 2 Harbour Porpoises were 1½km SSW Of Gwennap Head SW367215 during the morning
- 19/2/09 4 Harbour Porpoises were off Capstone Point SS519480 at 1015 hrs and 3 were off the Point at 1140 hrs
- 20/2/09 3 Basking Sharks were seen slowly heading east together at the surface off Battery Rocks SW447297 during the morning.
- 21/2/09 2 Harbour Porpoises were off Capstone Point SS519480 at 1030 hrs
- 22/2/09 A Grey Seal was off Ilfracombe Pier SS525479 at 1342 hrs
- 22/2/09 2 Bottlenose Dolphins were seen heading west 300 yards off Lamorna SW451241 at 1300 hrs
- 23/2/09 2 Harbour Porpoises and a Grey Seal were off Ilfracombe Pier SS525479 at 1324 hrs
- 23/2/09 2 Harbour Porpoises were off Capstone Point SS519480 at 1411 hrs
- 23/2/09 3 Bottlenose Dolphins were seen heading east off Porthminster, St. Ives SW521401 at 1300 hrs. One was jumping clear of the water
- 23/2/09 4 Bottlenose Dolphins were surfing off the beach at Porthmeor SW516410 at 1545 hrs

- 24/2/09 2 Fin Whales were spotted 2 mile offshore at The Isles of Scilly SV9105 last week. They were resting, and one appeared to be sleeping as it was lolling about on the surface.
- 24/2/09 5 or 6 Harbour Porpoises were in the Brisons area SW340311 from 1230 to 1330 hrs
- 24/2/09 4 Bottlenose Dolphins were surfing off the beach at Porthmeor SW516410 at 1520 hrs and a single Bottlenose Dolphin was seen heading west off Porthgwidden Beach SW521410 at 1715 hrs
- 24/2/09 A 3 metre Ribbonfish, *Regalecus glesne*, was found washed up on the beach at Tynemouth SX940730
- 24/2/09 A Bottlenose Dolphin was seen in Sennen Bay SW3526
- 24/2/09 A Bottlenose Dolphin was seen off Carbis Bay SW528389
- 25/2/09 2 or 3 Bottlenose Dolphin were seen heading west off the St. Ives NCI Lookout SW521411 at 1115 hrs
- 25/2/09 A rare Wrinkled Swimming Crab, *Liocarcinus corrugatus*, was found trapped in a prawn pot at 27 metres in the River Fal SW8334. It was taken alive to the Blue Reef Aquarium, Newquay. Last record for this species in Cornish waters was 1984, and only 11 have ever been recorded, nine of which were pre 1907.
- 25/2/09 A pod of about 6 Bottlenose Dolphins was seen off Hayle Bar SW549391 during the afternoon
- 25/2/09 4 Bottlenose Dolphins were seen heading west of Clodgy Point SW507413 at 1625 hrs
- 25/2/09 A headless and very decomposed Basking Shark was found stranded on the beach at Porth Zennor Cove SW456394
- 28/2/09 A Grey Seal was seen 50 metres off Capstone Point SS519480 at 1503 hrs slowly heading east on the surface.
- 5/3/09 A Grey Seal was close in below the NCI Watch at Cape Cornwall SW350318 at 0958 hrs
- 6/3/09 1 or 2 Bottlenose Dolphins were seen heading west off the NCI Lookout at St Ives SW521411 at 1100 hrs
- 6/3/09 A Harbour Porpoise was seen 500 metres off Capstone Point SS519480 at 0824 hrs heading east
- 7/3/09 4 Harbour Porpoises were seen 400 metres off Trewavas Head SW596264 at 1430 hrs
- 9/3/09 8 Bottlenose Dolphins were seen heading east off Godrevy Point SW581433 at 1100 hrs
- 19/3/09 7 dolphins, including a juvenile were off the NCI Watch at Cape Cornwall SW350318 at 1715 hrs
- 11/3/09 8 Bottlenose Dolphins were seen heading east off Mexico Towans SW559389 at 1530 hrs
- 12/3/09 A Harbour Porpoise was seen 600 metres SSE of Porthgwarra Cove SW371216 at 1000 hrs
- 13/3/09 A Harbour Porpoise was seen 800 metres off Tunnels Beaches Ilfracombe SS524479 at 0840 hrs heading west.
- 13/3/09 A Grey Seal was seen bottling 5 times over an hour from 1310 hrs west of Capstone Point SS519480 and another was seen 3 times, 50 metres off the Point heading east
- 14/3/09 2 Bottlenose Dolphins were seen off the Cape Cornwall NCI Lookout SW350318 at 1130 hrs
- 14/3/09 At least 4 Bottlenose Dolphins were seen 400 metres off Gribba Head SW355302 at 1125 hrs. They were heading quite rapidly south.
- 14/3/09 2 dolphins were seen off the NCI Watch at Cape Cornwall SW350318 at 1127 hrs
- 15/3/09 2 Grey Seals were seen ½ mile off Kenidjack Castle SW355326 at 1408 hrs.
- 15/3/09 An Octopus was seen on the wreck of The Juan Ferrer, near Boscawen Point SW431229 on a morning dive. The body was about the size of a man's fist.
- 15/3/09 4 Bottlenose Dolphins were being very active at the surface, breaching and tail walking etc, for 20 minutes from 1630 hrs, 300 metres off Trenow Cove SW531299 then made off out to sea.
- 15/3/09 3 Harbour Porpoises were seen 600 metres SSE of Porthgwarra Cove SW371216 at 1300 hrs
- 15/3/09 8 Bottlenose Dolphins were seen heading north off Hayle SW550395 at 1800 hrs
- 17/3/09 A pod of 10 Bottlenose Dolphins went past the Gwennap Head NCI Lookout SW367215 very close in.
- 18/3/09 A pod of about 8 Bottlenose Dolphins was very playful around the passenger ferry The Duchess of Cornwall in The Carrick Roads, SW830328, when on her way from Falmouth to St Mawes in the afternoon.
- 20/3/09 A Harbour Porpoise was seen 500 metres NW of Capstone Pint SS519480 at 1301 hrs and a small one, probably a juvenile, was seen 50 metres north of the Point at 1320 hrs
- 21/3/09 A Grey Seal was seen bottling 300 metres NW of Capstone Point SS519480 at 1350 hrs
- 26/3/09 A bull Grey Seal was seen below the NCI Watch at Cape Cornwall SW350316 at 1225 hrs
- 27/3/09 A Harbour Porpoise was seen 500 metres SE of Porthgwarra Cove SW371216 at 1030 hrs
- 27/3/09 A bull Grey Seal was seen below the NCI Watch at Cape Cornwall SW350318 at 1359 hrs
- 29/3/09 2 Harbour Porpoises were SSE of Porthgwarra Cove SW371216 during the day.
- 29/3/09 3 Bottlenose Dolphins were breaching, rolling and tail slapping from 1800 to 1830 hrs just off the entrance to Penzance Harbour SW476303. Two were breaching together and the third may have been a calf as it was swimming very close to one of the larger animals.
- 29/3/09 A pod of Bottlenose Dolphins was seen off Sennen Cove SW350263
- 30/3/09 At least 2 dolphins were seen off Logan Rock SW369219 in the afternoon
- 31/3/09 2 dolphins were seen 1 to 1½ km SE of Porthgwarra Cove SW371216 during the day
- 31/3/09 A Basking Shark was seen near The Cowloe, Sennen SW348266

- 1/4/09 A Harbour Porpoise was briefly spotted heading north 1.5Km offshore at Botallack SW361338 at 1400 hrs
- 2/4/09 6 or more Bottlenose Dolphins were feeding and playing off Wherry Rocks SW470274 from 1600 to 1700 hrs
- 2/4/09 A Grey Seal was logging briefly and then dived 75 metres north of Capstone Point SS519480 at 1355 hrs
- 6/4/09 A 3 metre Basking Shark was seen off Pentra Head SW809224
- 6/4/09 2 Bottlenose Dolphins were seen heading southeast off St. Ives SW520407 at 1630 hrs and were seen again off Hayle SW550395 at 1700 hrs heading east
- 10/4/09 5 Grey Seals were seen hauled out on Black Rock SW833317 at 1212 hrs
- 11/4/09 2 Grey Seals were hauled out on rocks at Carricknath Point SW845320 at 1212 hrs
- 11/4/09 A Grey Seal was seen bottling 700 metres NW of Capstone Point SS519480 at 1302 hrs
- 11/4/09 2 Harbour Porpoises were less than 1Km NW of Capstone Point SS519480 at 1338 hrs then came east passing 100 metres offshore
- 11/4/09 A Harbour Porpoise was seen 500 metres north of Capstone Point SS519480 at 1425 hrs
- 14/4/09 A Basking Shark was seen off Kilcobben Cove SW716126, from 1400 to 1415 hrs. Only dorsal fin was visible circling and drifting slowly eastwards.
- 15/4/09 A Grey Seal was seen below the NCI Watch at Cape Cornwall SW350318 at 1359 hrs
- 18/4/09 2 Grey Seals were hauled out on rocks at Carricknath Point SW845320 at 1212 hrs
- 18/4/09 A pod of about a dozen Bottlenose Dolphins was breaching about 70 yards of the beach at Porthminster SW521401 at 0900 hrs.
- 18/4/09 A Basking Shark was spotted by rowers in Mounts Bay SW4723
- 19/4/09 A pod of about 8 Bottlenose Dolphin was playing near The Gear Pole in Mounts Bay at 1300 hrs and the small pod of three, Cookies, pod, was in the area also.
- 19/4/09 A 30 ft Basking Shark was seen off Portholland SW960412 at 1200 hrs
- 19/4/09 2 dolphins were seen breaching ¾ mile off Cribba Head SW403225 from 1345 to 1400 hrs
- 20/4/09 2 Grey Seal were seen off Porth Ledden SW252320 at 1350 hrs
- 20/4/09 A pod of at least 10 Common Dolphins was seen from Sky Bus half way between Land's End and the Isles of Scilly at 1040 hrs
- 21/4/09 A pod of about 20 Common Dolphins was seen off Loe Beach, Feock SW826381 from 0800 to 0900 hrs and were later seen at the mouth of The Carrick Roads SW835313 at 1345 hrs
- 21/4/09 A Grey Seal was seen in the gully below the NCI Watch at Cape Cornwall SW350318 at 1326 hrs
- 21/4/09 Millions of pelagic amphipods were being washed up on the beach between Redcar and Saltburn NZ6020
- 21/4/09 8 Bottlenose Dolphins were seen heading east off St Ives SW520467 at 0800 hrs
- 22/4/09 8 Bottlenose Dolphins were seen heading east off St. Ives NCI Lookout SW521411 at 0730 hrs
- 24/4/09 2 dolphins were seen off Hannafore SX257524 during the afternoon
- 24/4/09 2 dolphins were seen heading south off the NCI Watch at Cape Cornwall SW350318 at 1327 hrs
- 24/4/09 A pod of 6 to 10 Common Dolphins was seen heading east off Porthgwarra SW371216 at 1500 hrs. Another pod of 10 to 15 headed east at 1535 hrs with a smaller pod heading west closer inshore. These may have been the first pod seen at 1500 hrs.
- 24/4/09 There were 3 or 4 brief views of 2 Harbour Porpoises 4 Km south of The Brisons SW349311 at 1245 hrs
- 24/4/09 8 Bottlenose Dolphins, including 1 juvenile, were seen purposefully heading north off Carn Glouce SW354313 at 1450 hrs
- 24/4/09 2 Harbour Porpoise were seen approximately 1 Km northwest of Capstone Point SS519480 at 0902 hrs and there was a Grey Seal 500 metres west of Tunnels Beaches Ilfracombe SS524479 at the same time
- 25/4/09 A pod of 8 dolphins, including 2 juveniles, was seen heading east off St. Ives SW520407 at 0845 hrs. They were seen again in the same position at 0930 hrs heading in the opposite direction, milling, feeding and breaching. Gulls and Cormorants on the surface.
- 26/4/06 A 2 metre Basking Shark was seen feeding as it headed north at 1 to 2 knots in Bigbury Bay SX640430 in position 50°15.69N 03°15.003W at 1030 hrs
- 26/4/09 2 dolphins were breaching close to the beach at Gyllyngvase SW808316 at 1930 hrs.
- 28/4/09 A Harbour Porpoise was seen to surface briefly Off Nare Head in position 50°8.8N 4°53.8W at 1212 hrs
- 28/4/09 A Basking Shark, 8ft or more long was seen beyond the surf at Teignmouth SX940730 at 1800 hrs
- 29/4/09 A Grey Seal was seen in Falmouth Harbour in position 50°9.0N 5°1.48W 1212 hrs
- 29/4/09 A Grey Seal was seen below the NCI Watch at Cape Cornwall SW350318 at 1323 hrs and again at 1500 hrs
- 29/4/09 2 Basking Sharks were seen off Porthgwarra SW371216 between 1030 and 1100 hrs.
- 29/4/09 2 Harbour Porpoises were seen heading west 200 metres off Capstone Point SS519480 at 0739 hrs

- 29/4/09 A Harbour Porpoise was seen heading north 200 metres off Capstone Point SS519480 at 1805 hrs and a Grey Seal was bottling 100 metres NW of the Point at 1807 hrs.
- 29/4/09 A pod of Bottlenose Dolphin was seen in Sennen Bay SW3526 at 0900 hrs
- 30/4/09 A rare fish, Salema, *Sarpa salpa*, was caught south of the Eddystone Reef SX3839 by the Looe Trawler, Guiding Light. This is the 3 British Specimen. They are usually found in shallow coastal water in the Mediterranean and along the African coast.
- 30/4/09 A pod of about 12 Bottlenose Dolphin was seen feeding or playing off Pendeen Watch SW377358 at 1900 hrs. The pod included one juvenile, which was paler than the others. They were in the area for about ½ hour then moved off northward
- 30/4/09 A pod of 12 Common Dolphins was seen in Fal Bay in position 50° 6.2N 4°55.5W
- 30/4/09 A Basking Shark was seen on Sennen Bay SW3526
- 1/5/09 A Basking Shark was seen just to the west of The Cowloe, Sennen Bay SW348266
- 1/5/09 A Basking Shark was seen off Porthgwarra Cove SW371216
- 2/5/09 A pod of 6 to 8 Bottlenose Dolphins was seen feeding beneath seabirds 200 metres off Hayle Towans SW551382 at noon
- 2/5/09 A Harbour Porpoise was spotted briefly in Fal Bay in position 50°7.59N 4°58.0W at 1212 hrs
- 2/5/09A dolphin species was seen 150 yards off the NCI Lookout at Gwennap Head SW365217 at 1640 hrs
- 4/5/09 A Basking Shark was seen by a fisherman, 2 miles off Pendennis Point SW826315 at 1030hrs.
- 4/5/09 A Harbour Porpoise was seen 1 Km SSE of Porthgwarra SW371216 at 0930 hrs
- 4/5/09 A Basking Shark s seen 300 metres south of Porthgwarra Cove SW371216 at 0945 hrs
- 5/5/09A Harbour Porpoise was seen 250 metres east of The Runnelstone Reef SW369200 from 0900 to 1000 hrs
- 5/5/09 A pod of about 10 Bottlenose Dolphins, including a calf, was seen in the Carrick Roads in position 50°9.7N 5°2.3W at 1212 hrs
- 5/5/09 8 Bottlenose Dolphins were seen near Black Rock, Falmouth SW833317 at 1445 hrs
- 6/5/09 2 Basking Sharks were seen off Penberth SW404226
- 7/5/09 2 or 3 Harbour Porpoises were just east of The Runnelstone Reef SW369200 at 1000 hrs
- 9/5/09 3 Harbour Porpoises were seen heading slowly NE, feeding occasionally with gannets diving, 200 metres off Capstone Point SS519480 at 1044 hrs
- 9/5/09 2 Risso's Dolphins were spotted from Scillonian III just east of St. Clements Isle SW474261 at 1900 hrs.
- 9/5/09 A pod of Risso's Dolphins, including juveniles, was seen off Penee Point SW473269 from 1830 to 1930 hrs. There was some breaching, tail slapping and spy-hopping
- 10/5/09 A Risso's Dolphin was seen half way between The Runnelstone SW369200 and the Wolf Rock Lighthouse SW270120 at 1430 hrs. Seen from a yacht taking part in a race.
- 10/5/09 A Basking Shark was seen off Sennen Cove SW350263
- 10/5/09 A Basking Shark was seen off Porthgwarra SW371216
- 13/5/09 3 Harbour Porpoises were 200 metres west of Capstone Point SS519480 at 0740 hrs. One breached
- 14/5/09 A Common Dolphin was found stranded alive at Old Grimsby, Tresco, Isles of Scilly SV895156. A team from BDMLR flew from the mainland to assist the Island's vet and successfully released it in deep water
- 14/5/09 A 3 to 4 metre Basking Shark was seen at the mouth of Mevagissey Harbour SX017447 at 1435 hrs
- 15/5/09 Two small Basking Shark, 10ft and 6ft long were seen near The Gwineas Rocks SX031420 between 1500 and 1530 hrs
- 16/5/09 A 5 metre dead Basking Shark was found on a beach between Vault Beach and Gorran Haven SX017410
- 17/5/09 There was a possible sighting of a turtle off The Jubilee Pool Penzance. SW476297. Described as having a small head on a long neck attached to a 3ft body about 18" wide
- 18/5/09 Thousands of By-the-wind-Sailors, *Velella velella* were being washed up on the beach at Praa Sands SW5728 during the evening, brought in by the prevailing southwest wind. They varied in size from 4.5mm to 7 or 8 cm all laid up in rows on the beach graded in size by the wind, waves and topography with largest at the bottom. Also found on the beach was a perfect Cuckoo Ray egg case.
- 18/5/09 2 Harbour Porpoises were 200 metres west of Capstone Point SS519480 at 0800 hrs and one was seen 300 metres west of the point at 1027 hrs with 5 gannets in the area
- 19/5/09 3 Harbour Porpoises were 75 metres off Capstone Point SS519480 at 1621 hrs with 2 gannets in the area.
- 19/5/09 A pod of about 50 dolphins was seen heading west off Clodgy Point SW507413 at 2030 hrs
- 20/5/09 100s of By-the-wind-Sailors, *Velella velella* were found washed up at Kynance Cove SW685132, all different sizes.
- 20/5/09 Thousands of By-the-wind-Sailors, *Velella velella*, were found washed up between Stoke Point and Netton Island SX555459 at 1800 hrs. All appeared to be dead. There were 2 groups of sizes, 4 to 6 mm, and 10 to 15 mm.
- 20/5/09 A Harbour Porpoise was off Tunnels Beaches Ilfracombe SS524479 at 0738 hrs with 3 gannets in the area.

20/5/09 A 10 metre Basking Shark was seen from a dive boat about 2 miles off Newquay Harbour SW807620 at 1330 hrs

21/5/09 10s or even hundreds of thousands of By-the-wind-Sailors, *Verella Varella* were washing up on Par Beach SX0853. Only a few were large, most of them were quite small, from 6 to 10 mm. Also found were a couple of what was thought to be Haminoea Sea Slugs.

22/5/09 2 Harbour Porpoises were off Tunnels Beaches, Ilfracombe SS524479, feeding with 10 gannets at 1301 hrs

22/5/09 5 or 6 Grey Seals were hauled out on Black Rock Falmouth SW833317 at 1212 hrs

23/5/09 8 Bottlenose Dolphins were seen heading west off Porthmeor Beach SW516410 at 1430 hrs

24/5/09 A pod of about 6 dolphins was seen off Bosigran SW417368, and reported to have been off Pendeen SW377358 yesterday

25/5/09 A 20ft Basking Shark was seen 60 metres off Charlestown Harbour SX039515 at 1100 hrs.

25/5/09 2 or 3 Basking Sharks were seen near The Eddystone Lighthouse SX3839 ranging in size from 4 metres to 7 metres

26/5/09 2 or 3 Basking Sharks were seen near The Eddystone Lighthouse SX3839 ranging in size from 4 metres to 7 metres

27/5/09 A 12 ft Thresher Shark was feeding on a shoal of mackerel off Babbacombe Pier SX903655 at 0630 hrs

27/5/09 20 Bottlenose Dolphins were seen heading west off the NCI Lookout at St Ives SW521411 during the afternoon

28/5/09 A pod of 15 to 25 Risso's Dolphins, including at least 4 juveniles, was seen on 3 consecutive days earlier this month off Penlee Point SW473269 and in Mounts Bay SW4723

29/5/09 2 Basking Sharks were seen below the Minack Cliff Theatre SW387220 at 1013 hrs. They circled for 15 minutes then headed west.

29/5/09 2 large Basking Sharks were feeding off Porthcurno SW387222 at 1500 hrs

29/5/09 3 Basking Sharks were seen off Carn du SW364344 from CSFC vessel St Piran. They were 10ft 15ft and at least 20ft long. Many gannets diving and Compass Jellyfish in the area

29/5/09 A Harbour Porpoise was seen off Capstone Point SW519480

29/5/09 2 Basking Sharks were feeding off Porthcurno SW387222 at 1120 hrs

29/5/09 An Ocean Sunfish was seen 2 miles off Coverack SW738162 at 1450 hrs

30/5/09 A Harbour Porpoise was seen off Tunnels Beaches Ilfracombe SS524479 at 1239 hrs and two were off the beaches at 1434 hrs

30/5/09 2 Bottlenose Dolphins were seen off Porth Nanven SW355309 at 1900 hrs.

31/5/09 A 3 metre Basking Shark was seen off Black Head, Coverack SW779162 at 1430 hrs

31/5/09 20 Bottlenose Dolphins were bow riding a cruise ship across St Ives Bay SW5241 at 1000 hrs then broke off to bow ride the BDMLR Rib "Josh"

31/5/09 2 Grey Seals were seen off Kenidjack SW355326 from 1341 to 1411 hrs

1/6/09 4 dolphins were seen 1½ miles off Pordenack Point SW345241 from 1312 to 1316 hrs

1/6/09 A Basking Shark was seen close in below the watch at Cape Cornwall SW350318 at 1048 hrs

1/6/09 2 20ft Basking Sharks were seen heading northeast near The Brisons SW340311 at 1130 hrs

1/6/09 3 Basking Sharks were feeding off the NCI Lookout at Cape Cornwall SW350318 at 1320 hrs

1/6/09 The Sennen Cove website reported about 30 to 50 Basking Sharks off Whitesand Bay SW3527 during the day

1/6/09 8 to 10 Basking Sharks, 8 metres long, were reported to be circling well offshore at Sennen Cove SW350263 at 1400 hrs

1/6/09 7 Basking Sharks were counted between Land's End SW341253 and Mayon Cliff SW349260 between 1900 and 2000 hrs, and 19 Basking Sharks were counted off Whitesand Bay SW3527 from 1930 to 2000 hrs

1/6/09 3 Basking Sharks were seen off Bosigran Cliff SW417368

1/6/09 29 Basking Sharks were seen off Gwennap Head SW367215 in the morning.

1/6/09 2 Basking Sharks were seen in Bigbury Bay SX650444, 3 miles SE of the Yealm River mouth at 1710 hrs

1/6/09 9 Basking Sharks were seen from the NCI Lookout at Gwennap Head SW365217 at 1305 hrs. 2 were below Carn Base and the other 7 were in the area

1/6/09 1 Basking Shark was off Porthgwarra SW371216 at 1435hrs

1/6/09 3 Basking Sharks were SW of The Runnelstone Reef SW368200 at 1545hrs

2/6/09 7 or more Bottlenose Dolphins were seen off Portheras Cove SW388358 in the afternoon

2/6/09 2 Basking Sharks were seen feeding off Pendeen SW377358 at 1500 hrs. One was 10 to 12ft long with a juvenile 6 to 8ft long, keeping very close together.

2/6/09 2 Basking Sharks were seen off Gwennap Head SW367215 in the morning

2/6/09 A 3 metre Basking Shark was seen half a mile east of Lizard Point SW694115 250 metres offshore

2/6/09 A Grey Seal was close in below the CNI Lookout at Cape Cornwall SW350318 at 1125hrs and 2 Basking Sharks were feeding 500 metres to the west of the lookout at 1330hrs

2/6/09 A 3 metre Basking Shark was seen by a surfer, circling and feeding 200 metres off Portwrinkle Beach SX356539 at 1415 hrs

2/6/09 20 Basking Sharks were off Sennen Cove SW350263 at 2110 hrs

2/6/09 A Leatherback Turtle was seen off Porthgwarra SW371216.

- 2/6/09 A 4 metre Basking Shark was seen circling and feeding at Housel Bay SW7011 at 1300 hrs
- 2/6/09 A Turtle, thought to be a Loggerhead, was seen off Porthgwarra SW371216
- 2/6/09 4 Basking Sharks were seen off Hella Point SW370214 over a period of 6 hours
- 2/6/09 A Basking Shark was off the NCI Lookout at Gwennap Head SW365217 at 1625hrs
- 2/6/09 7 Bottlenose Dolphins were seen heading west off Porthmeor Beach SW516410 at 2140 hrs
- 3/6/09 15 Basking Sharks were seen off Land's End SW341253 at 0900 hrs
- 3/6/09 Numerous Basking Sharks were again offshore between The Longships SW320253 and Cape Cornwall SW350318
- 3/6/09 A small Basking Shark was seen heading westward 2 miles west of Rame Head SX419481 at 1330 hrs
- 3/6/09 2 Basking Sharks were seen feeding outside the Breakwater in Plymouth Sound at 1236 hrs
They were about 30 metres apart heading west.
- 3/6/09 A 6 metres Basking Shark was seen about 5 nm south of Lizard Point SW694115 at 1500 hrs.
It stayed near a boat for about ½ an hour
- 3/6/09 A Basking Shark was seen at Sennen Cove SW351263 late afternoon to early evening. It was being severely harassed by a group of yellow canoes
- 3/6/09 A strand of Pearl Chain, *Apolemia uvaria*, about a foot long was seen off the beach in Whitesand Bay SW3527
- 4/6/09 A pod of at least 5 dolphins was off Sennen Cove SW350263 during the evening
- 4/6/09 A Royal Naval Helicopter Pilot reported seeing about 70 Basking Sharks, 4 to 6 miles southwest of Lizard Point SW694115, and a pod of about 100 dolphins actively playing at the surface 8 miles out in the centre of Mounts Bay SW4723
- 5/6/09 A 4 metre Basking Shark was seen heading north near the entrance of Fowey Harbour SX120509 at 1850hrs
- 5/6/09 Two 3 metre Basking Sharks were seen in Mounts Bay SW4723, 8 miles SE of Penzance at 1500 hrs
- 5/6/09 3 Basking Sharks were seen off Botallack Head SW361338 during the afternoon
- 5/6/09 5 Basking Sharks were feeding all around Whitesand Bay SW3627 at 1900 hrs
- 6/6/09 2 Grey Seals were hauled out on Black Rock, Falmouth SW833317 at 1010 hrs
- 6/6/09 A Mako Shark leapt out of the water and tore through a fisherman's catch of mackerel 1½ mile off Helford Point SW759264. The fisherman who has in the past caught over 8000 sharks, including 10 Makos in British waters, said it was about 13ft long and 350 to 400 lbs in weight.
- 7/6/09 A 5 metre Basking Shark was circling 500 yards off the beach at Portwrinkle SX356539 at 1800 hrs
- 8/6/09 A large Basking Shark was seen by a helicopter pilot aboard a German Frigate southwest of Salcombe SX7338 in position 50°8.41N 03°53.99W at 1830 hrs. It was observed feeding for about 6 minutes.
- 8/6/09 5 Basking Sharks were 100 metres off the NCI Lookout at Gwennap Head SW365217 at 0740 hrs. and 2 were seen off the Head at 1425hrs
- 9/6/09 2 Basking Sharks were 150 metres off the NCI Lookout at Gwennap Head SW365217 at 1516hrs
- 9/6/09 There were 50 or more Basking Sharks between Sennen Cove SW350263 and Porthgwarra SW371216 during the afternoon
- 10/6/09 9 Grey Seals, including 2 juveniles, were hauled out on the rocks at Black Rock, Falmouth SW833317 at 1402 hrs
- 10/6/09 A Basking Shark was seen close in below the watch at the NCI Lookout at Cape Cornwall SW350318 at 1500 hrs and 5 were off the watch at 1600 hrs
- 10/6/09 A Basking Shark was seen to breach off Sennen Cove SW350263 in the morning
- 10/6/09 A Basking Shark was seen to breach off Botallack Head SW361338.
- 10/6/09 3 large Grey Seals were in Newquay Harbour SW807620 during the evening and a lone Harbour Porpoise was seen just outside the harbour
- 10/6/09 12 Basking Sharks including 2 juveniles about 2 metres long, were seen over The Rutts SE Cornwall
- 10/6/09 4 Harbour Porpoises including a juvenile were seen off Carn Goose SW354313. An adult with a juvenile was 2 Km west at 1600 hrs and 2 adults were 1 Km NW at 1610 hrs
- 11/6/09 4 Basking Sharks were seen circling and feeding off Polurrian Cliff SW668185 at 1930 hrs.
The 4 metre sharks were feeding in two pairs 30 metres apart and generally heading south
- 11/6/09 A Basking Shark was seen 200 metres southwest of The NCI Lookout at Cape Cornwall SW349318 at 1307 hrs
- 11/6/09 Four 4 metre Basking Sharks were seen heading east off Porthgwarra SW371216 at 2000hrs
- 11/6/09 5 Basking Sharks were seen off Pendeen SW377358 during the morning
- 12/6/09 10 Basking Sharks were spread out across Whitesand Bay eastwards from the Cowloe SW348266 at 2000 hrs
- 12/6/09 A 7 metre Basking Shark was seen feeding near The Manacles SW8120 at 1530 hrs. 2 Puffins were in the area
- 12/6/09 The Sennen Cove website reported a significant number of Basking Sharks in the Bay today

- 12/6/09 At least 8 Basking Sharks were circling and feeding off Sennen Cove SW350263 from 1400 to 1500 hrs
- 12/6/09 A Moray Eel was caught 60 miles off Newlyn by Beam Trawler Trevesa and later sold at Newlyn Market. SW462285. This is only the 10th Moray caught in British and Irish waters. This was a North Atlantic warm water fish at the northern limit of its range.
- 12/6/09 A boat sailing from Ilfracombe SS525470 to Land's End SW341253 was joined by a pod of about 40 Common Dolphins in Bideford Bay SS4333. They disappeared before reaching Hartland Point SS230279 but reappeared later and spent the next 7 hours following the boat along the north Cornwall coast, When they were about 8 miles off Padstow next morning 12 Basking Sharks were seen. There were 5 adults, 5 juveniles and two very small ones.
- 12/6/09 2 Basking Sharks were SW of the NCI Lookout at Gwennap Head SW365217 at 1130hrs and 4 were seen close inshore at 1510hrs
- 12/6/09 15 to 20 Common Dolphins, were seen from Carn Gloose SW354313 They were heading SW 4 to 5 Km SW of the Brisons at 1530 hrs
- 13/6/09 2 very large Basking Sharks were seen 500 metres west of the NCI Lookout at Cape Cornwall SW349318 at 0800 hrs
- 13/6/09 A 4 metre Basking Shark was seen feeding off Cudden Point SW548275 at 1900 hrs
- 13/6/09 Four 6 metre Basking Sharks were off Sennen Beach SW350263 at 1400 hrs. Circling and feeding in pairs.
- 13/6/09 7 Basking Sharks were seen off Carn Gloose SW354313 from 1530 to 1730 hrs. 5 were close in, 50 to 100metres offshore, one of which was a 10 metre shark. Two others were very close, touching each other, and rolling over and under each other, perhaps mating. Two others were out in the tide race near the Brisons.
- 13/6/09 A metre long Ocean Sunfish was seen 200 to 300 metres southeast of St Michael's Mount SW504298. The first report received this year for this species.
- 13/6/09 A 4 metre Basking Shark was off Portwrinkle SW356539 at 1600 hrs. Feeding while heading slowly west
- 13/6/09 A Basking Shark was seen off Black Head Coverack SW779162 at 1212 hrs+
- 13/6/09 A 25ft Basking Shark was seen at Gunwalloe Cove SW661204 at 1200 hrs 14/6/09 3 Basking Sharks were circling and feeding off Praa Sands SW5728 at 1430 hrs They were just off the beach with 2 surfers very close.
- 14/6/09 A Grey Seal was seen off Porth Nanven SW355389 at 1300 hrs
- 15/6/09 2 Basking Sharks were close in at the western end of The Tribben, Sennen SW349265 during the afternoon.
- 15/6/09 3 Basking Sharks were seen off Zone Point SW850310 at 1212 hrs
- 15/6/09 2 or 3 Basking Shark were seen over The Rutts se Cornwall
- 15/6/09 A small Ocean Sunfish was seen south of Plymouth in position 49°37.14N 4°8.18W
- 15/6/09 A pod of 200 to 250 Common Dolphins including about 50 juveniles, surrounded a fishing vessel breaching and bow riding, 12 miles off Falmouth SW825316 at 1200 hrs
- 15/6/09 A Basking Shark was 200 metres off Porthgwarra Cove SW371216 at 1630 hrs
- 15/6/09 A Basking Shark was close inshore off the NCI Lookout at Gwennap Head SW365217 at 0945hrs
- 16/6/09 There were at least 40 Basking Sharks in the northern end of Sennen Bay SW3527 during the day.
- 16/6/09 4 Basking Sharks and 2 Harbour Porpoises were seen off Porthgwarra SW371216 during the day
- 16/6/09 A Basking Shark was 200 metres off Botallack Head SW361336 at 1230 hrs
- 16/6/09 3 Basking Sharks were just north of The Longships Reef SW320253 at 1330 hrs
- 16/6/09 A Basking Shark was in the tide race just north of The Brisons Rocks SW340311 at 1330hrs
- 18/6/09 2 Basking Shark were milling off Sennen Cove SW350263 at 1030 hrs
- 18/6/09 A pod of dolphins was seen moving fast pursuing prey about 1 Mile south of St. Anthony Head SW846311, followed by Gannets, Cormorants and Kittiwakes. Some 400 metres from the observer the birds started diving for about 10 minutes and the dolphins remained in the area before again heading west.
- 18/6/09 A pod of 70 to 100 Common Dolphins was seen in Fal Bay SW8028 heading SW toward The Manacles at high speed at 1200 hrs
- 18/6/09 6 Basking Sharks were seen off Mullion Cove SW666178 at 0830 hrs. 4 were circling to the north of the island and two were to the west of the island.
- 18/6/09 2 Basking Sharks were 50 metres off the NCI Lookout at Gwennap Head SW365217 from 0852 to 1021hrs and 3 were within 500 metres from shore all the afternoon
- 20/6/09 5 Harbour Porpoises were seen feeding off Chynalls Point SW787174 at 1402 hrs
- 21/6/09 A 4 metre Basking Shark was seen swimming in a wavy line 30 metres offshore heading west off Lamorna Cove SW451241 at 1700 hrs
- 21/6/09 A Basking Shark and an Ocean Sunfish were seen offshore at the NCI Lookout at Cape Cornwall SW349318
- 21/6/09 A 10 ft Basking Shark was seen off Lizard Point SW694115 in position 49°56.47N 5°12.23W at 1402 hrs

- 21/6/09 2 Harbour Porpoises were seen feeding off Lizard Point SW694115 in position 49°57.52N 5°10.02W at 1402hrs
- 21/6/09 2 Basking Sharks were seen feeding off Maen Dower SW356294 for about 20 minutes, then one headed northwest and the other south.
- 21/6/09 2 or 3 Harbour Porpoises were 1 Km south of Porthgwarra Cove SW371216 from 1100 to 1200 hrs
- 21/6/09 A Basking Shark was 50 metres off Porthgwarra Cove SW371216 from 1100 to 1200 hrs
- 21/6/09 A Basking Shark was seen off Porthgwarra SW371216 at 1238hrs
- 21/6/09 An adult Harbour Porpoise was heading south off Carn Glouce SW354313 at 1310 hrs
- 22/6/09 2 Grey Seals, a male and a female were seen in Lantivet Bay SX1650 at 1100 hrs There was some interactivity between the two. A boat approached rather close causing concern by the observer.
- 23/6/09 11 Grey Seals were hauled out basking on the rocks at Black Rock, Falmouth, SW833317 at 1402 hrs.
- 25/6/09 An 8 metre Basking Shark was seen heading away from the coast off Gara Point SX522469 at 1300 hrs.
- 25/6/09 2 Harbour Porpoises were feeding, and breached twice, 500 metres off Capstone Point SW519480 with 5 gannets diving.
- 26/6/09 2 Basking Sharks were seen slowly heading southwest off Kennack Sands SW739166 at 1630 hrs
- 26/6/09 A Basking Shark was off Pendeen Watch SW377358 at 1300 hrs
- 26/6/09 3 Harbour Porpoises, 2 adults with a juvenile, were 400 metres NW of Pendeen Watch SW377358 at 1300 hrs
- 27/6/09 A 3 metre Basking Shark was seen feeding off Lamorna Cove SW541241 at 0800 hrs.
- 27/6/09 An Ocean Sunfish was seen off Lowland Point SW804196 at 1604 hrs
- 28/6/09 2 Basking Shark were seen from cliffs just east of Porthcurno SW387222 at 2100 hrs
- 28/6/09 A Basking Shark was seen heading west off The Rumps SW933811 at 1430 hrs
- 28/6/09 A pod of about 20 large and breaching dolphins was seen off Welcombe Cove SS212180 during the afternoon. Canoes approached but did not disturb
- 28/6/09 3 Basking Sharks were seen off The Minack Cliff Theatre SW387220 at 1630hrs
- 29/6/09 15 or more Basking Sharks, including one very big one, were seen along the coast between Stackhouse Cove SW549283 and St. Michael's Mount SW515701 from 2000 to 2200 hrs
- 29/6/09 4 Harbour Porpoises were seen off Porthgwarra SW371216 at 1220hrs
- 29/6/09 An Ocean Sunfish and a Basking Shark were seen just east of Low Lee, Mounts Bay SW481272 at 1130 hrs
- 29/7/09 2 Basking Sharks were seen feeding off Porth Nanven SW355389 from 1254 to 1317 hrs
- 30/6/09 A pod of 12 Common Dolphins, including two juveniles, was seen south of Lantivet Bay SX1650 in position 50°5.25N 4°33.6W at 1010 hrs. A pod of about 12 was seen later in the day at 1402 hrs in position 50°5.51N 4°32.39W. this was thought to be the same pod seen in the morning.
- 30/6/09 A Harbour Porpoise was seen south of Lantivet Bay SX1650 in position 50°4.48N 4°33.2W at 1212 hrs
- 30/6/09 11 Basking Sharks were seen offshore at Perranuthnoe SW540292 during the afternoon
- 30/6/09 A Basking Shark was seen feeding 1 mile north of Plymouth Breakwater SX4650 at 1030 hrs
- 30/6/09 A Basking Shark was close inshore off the NCI Lookout at Gwennap Head SW365217 at 1120hrs
- 1/7/09 A Grey Seal was seen heading west on the surface occasionally diving off Wildersmouth Beach Ilfracombe SS518480 at 0735 hrs.
- 1/7/09 A 1 metre Ocean Sunfish was seen from FV Richard Ann 31 miles south of Plymouth
- 1/7/09 A Basking Shark was seen off Toll Point SW782267 at 1350 hrs
- 3/7/09 Strands of Pearl Chain, *Apolemia uvaria*, have been seen over the past 5 days at Gunwalloe Fishing Cove SW654223. Some strands as long as 4 metres
- 4/7/09 An Ocean Sunfish was seen by anglers off Berry Head SX948567. It was heading east on the surface at 1130hrs.
- 4/7/09 A pod of about 10 dolphins, including a young one, was playing around a boat heading west in Fal Bay SW8028 at 1212hrs.
- 4/7/09 15 to 18 Common Dolphins were in the Carrick Roads between Black Rock and Mylor SW837323 at 1430 hrs
- 5/7/09 2 Ocean Sunfish were seen 2 miles southwest of St. Michael's Mount SW515301 at 1515 hrs. One was 50cm across the other 20cm
- 5/7/09 4 Basking Sharks and 3 Ocean Sunfish were seen about 2 miles off St Ives SW520407 at 1130 hrs
- 5/7/09 3 Grey Seals were seen off Cape Cornwall SW349318 from 1350 to 1437 hrs
- 6/7/09 7 Bottlenose Dolphins came into Porthmeor Beach SW516410 from the west and remained for a while at 1120 hrs
- 7/7/09 7 Bottlenose Dolphins were seen heading west off Godrevy Point SW581433 during the afternoon
- 8/7/09 3 Bottlenose Dolphins were seen just outside Penzance Harbour SW476303 at 1630 hrs

- 8/7/09 3 Basking Sharks were seen feeding, heading southwest at Treanance Cove SW721516 at 1745hrs
- 8/7/09 A small pod of Common Dolphins was bow riding MV Scillonian III as she approached Penzance Harbour SW476303 at 1930 hrs.
- 8/7/09 A 2 metres Grey Seal was seen within 10ft of the beach at Crackington Haven SX142968 at 1900 hrs. It was looking around, submerging and popping up several times
- 9/7/09 An Ocean Sunfish was seen off Chynalls Point SW786174 at 1111 Hrs
- 9/7/09 Several Bottlenose Dolphins were seen in the Bay off Sennen Cove SW351263 during the evening
- 9/7/09 An Ocean Sunfish was 200 metres off Capstone Point SS519480 at 1342 hrs. Heading inshore at first then headed east. A Harbour Porpoise was in the same area heading east
- 9/7/09 12 dolphins, probably Bottlenose Dolphins, were breaching frequently off Porthcurno SW387222 at midday and probably the same pod was seen breaching in Sennen Bay SW3627 during the afternoon.
- 9/7/09 7 Basking Sharks were feeding off Godrevy Point SW581433 at 1200 hrs. Some were still in the area at 1900 hrs
- 9/7/09 7 Bottlenose Dolphins were heading west off Godrevy Point SW581433 at 1220 hrs
- 9/7/09 An Ocean Sunfish was seen heading east off Godrevy Point SW581433 during the afternoon
- 9/7/09 A shark 10 ft long, brownish in colour with a pointed snout was seen off North Cliffs SW585434 during the afternoon. (Probably a Basking Shark)
- 9/7/09 An Ocean Sunfish 2ft across was seen on the surface flopping its fin from side to side at Lantic Bay SX1450
- 9/7/09 A 3ft long Ocean Sunfish and a female Grey Seal were seen off Penlee Point SX443487
- 9/7/09 An Ocean Sunfish was seen 50 metres off Porthgwarra Cove SW371216 at 1030 hrs
- 10/7/09 10 Grey Seals were hauled out on rocks at Godrevy Island SW576435 but sadly disturbed 3 times with an hour by kayakers.
- 10/7/09 7 Basking Sharks were feeding off The Stones SW559270 all day. There were various sizes, some very big.
- 10/7/09 7 Bottlenose Dolphins were seen heading west inside Godrevy Island SW576435 at noon
- 10/7/09 Strands of Pearl Chain, *Apolemia uvaria*, have been seen at Porthkerris Cove SW806226 over the past two days. Some strands up to a metre long.
- 13/7/09 15 to 20 dolphins were seen heading west off the NCI Lookout at St. Ives SW521411 at 1010 hrs
- 13/7/09 7 Bottlenose Dolphins were seen close in below the Watch at the NCI Lookout at Cape Cornwall SW349318 at 1300 hrs
- 15/7/09 The Seawatch team at Gwennap Head SW367215, reported seeing 2 to 5 Harbour Porpoises, one or two Grey Seals, and an Ocean Sunfish today.
- 15/7/09 4 Basking Shark were seen close in below the watch at the NCI Lookout at Cape Cornwall SW349318 at 1057 hrs. They stayed a while, then all headed south.
- 16/7/09 Up to 5 Harbour Porpoises, 3 Grey Seals and 2 Ocean Sunfish were seen off Gwennap Head SW367215 by the Seawatch team
- 16/7/09 Several strands of Pearl Chain, *Apolemia uvaria*, were seen at a depth of 5 metres off Porthkerris Cove SW806226 . They were all about 50 cm long
- 16/7/09 2 Ocean Sunfish were seen off Porthgwarra SW371216
- 17/7/09 An Ocean Sunfish was seen heading west 100 metres off Pendeen Watch SW377358 at 1020 hrs
- 18/7/09 3 Basking Sharks were seen 100 metres to 1 Km offshore at Porthgwarra Cove SW371216 late afternoon
- 18/7/09 6 or more Basking Sharks, 3 Risso's Dolphins, a Harbour Porpoise and 3 Grey Seals were seen off Gwennap Head SW367215 by the Seawatch SW team today.
- 19/7/09 4 Grey Seals were seen off Gwennap Head SW367215 by the Seawatch team today.
- 20/7/09 A pod of about 10 Bottlenose Dolphins, including one juvenile, was seen off the mouth of the Helford River, SW7926 at 1604 hrs
- 20/7/09 2 or 3 Basking Sharks, 3 or more Bottlenose Dolphins, 4 Harbour Porpoises, an Ocean Sunfish and 5 or more Grey Seals were seen off Gwennap Head SW367215 today by the Seawatch team.
- 20/7/09 An Ocean Sunfish was seen the landward side of Godrevy Island SW SW576435 at 1030 hrs. •7 metres long, heading west on surface
- 20/7/09 7 Bottlenose Dolphins were seen moving around in The Carrick Roads SW8334 at 1440 hrs
- 20/7/07 2 adult Harbour Porpoises were seen heading south from Carn Gloose SW354313 at 1200 hrs
- 20/7/09 2 Harbour Porpoises were seen 1 Km south of Porthgwarra Cove SW371216 from 0845 to 1100 hrs
- 21/7/09 A Basking Shark was just offshore at the NCI Lookout at Gwennap Head SW365217 at 1045 hrs
- 21/7/09 4 or 5 Grey Seals were seen at Gwennap Head SW367215 during the day.
- 21/7/09 2 Basking Sharks were west of Gwennap Head SW367215 in the afternoon
- 21/7/09 2 dolphins, thought to be Risso's Dolphin, were seen off St. Loy Cove SW424230. Adult with juvenile.

- 22/7/09 3 or 4 Grey Seals were seen off Gwennap Head by the Seawatch Team. One was eating a very large Grey Mullet.
- 22/7/09 7 Bottlenose Dolphins were seen breaching well offshore at Foxholes, St. Ives SW5240 at 2135 hrs
- 23/7/09 A small pod of about 6 Bottlenose Dolphin was seen moving fast off Nare Head SW801251 early in the morning.
- 23/7/09 4 Grey Seals, including a baby, was seen on Black Rock SW834317 at 1212 hrs
- 23/7/09 12 Bottlenose Dolphins were seen during the interval at the Minack Cliff Theatre SW387222. 8 were close inshore and the other 4 were further out
- 23/7/09 2 Harbour Porpoise were 2 Km south of Gwennap Head SW37215 at 1200 hrs
- 24/7/09 2 Basking Sharks were seen in Mounts Bay SW4723 from a yacht sailing from Newlyn to Watchet
- 24/7/09 An Ocean Sunfish was seen heading west off Pendeen Watch SW377358
- 24/7/09 2 to 5 Harbour Porpoises, 2 dolphins in the distance, could have been Bottlenose Dolphin or Risso's Dolphin, 4 or more Grey Seals, and an Ocean Sunfish were seen off Gwennap Head SW367215 by the Seawatch team today.
- 25/7/09 A Harbour Porpoise and a Basking Shark was seen off Chynalls Point SW787174 at 1111 hrs
- 25/7/09 A Harbour Porpoise was seen off Lowland Point SW804196 at 1503 hrs
- 25/7/09 2 or more Grey Seals were seen off Gwennap Head SW367215 during the day
- 25/7/09 A Portuguese-Man-of-War was seen by a canoeist off Seaton Beach SX3054
- 25/7/09 5 Basking Sharks were seen between Lundy Island SS1345 and Hartland Point SS230229 , ranging in size from a baby to 9 metres.
- 25/7/09 2 Pilot Whales were seen off Lundy Island SS1345
- 25/7/09 An Ocean Sunfish was seen off Bull Point SS461469
- 26/7/09 8 Bottlenose Dolphins were seen heading east off St Ives SW520407 at 1120 hrs
- 26/7/09 8 Grey Seals were seen off Gwennap Head SW367215 today by The Seawatch team.
- 26/7/09 A Basking Shark and 3 Grey Seals were seen off Porth Ledden SW352320 from 1312 to 1346 hrs
- 27/7/09 A 15ft Basking Shark was seen near The Manacles SW820205 at 1111 hrs
- 27/7/09 An Ocean Sunfish was seen off Porthgwarra SW371216
- 27/7/09 At least one Harbour Porpoise, 3 Grey Seals and an Ocean Sunfish were seen off Gwennap Head SW367215 by the Seawatch Team
- 27/7/09 2 Harbour Porpoises, an adult with a very small juvenile, were 100 metres north of The Brisons SW340311 at 1205 hrs
- 28/7/09 A pod of 3 or more dolphins, possibly Common Dolphins, and 3 or 4 Grey Seals were seen off Gwennap Head SW367215 by the Seawatch Team
- 29/7/09 A Portuguese-man-of-War was found stranded at Porthcurno SW371216
- 29/7/09 1 Harbour Porpoise and 2 Grey Seals were seen off Gwennap Head SW367215 by the Seawatch team today.
- 29/7/09 An adult Harbour Porpoise was seen heading south 1 Km west of Cape Cornwall SW349318 at 1605 hrs
- 30/7/09 An Ocean Sunfish was seen off Pendeen Watch SW377358
- 30/7/09 8 or more Common Dolphins, 3 to 10 Harbour Porpoises and 4 or more Grey Seals were seen off Gwennap Head SW367215 by the Seawatch team today.
- 31/7/09 2 or 3 Common Dolphins, 4 to 8 Harbour Porpoises and 3 or more Grey Seals were seen off Gwennap Head SW367215 today by the Seawatch team.
- 31/7/09 5 Harbour Porpoises, all adults, were actively chasing fish beneath gannets 100 metres north of The Brisons SW340311 at 1205 hrs
- 1/8/09 2 large cetaceans, thought to be Killer Whales, were seen off Pendeen Watch SW377358
- 1/8/09 Up to 6 Harbour Porpoises and 2 or more Grey Seals were seen off Gwennap Head SW367215 by the Seawatch team today
- 1/8/09 A turtle was seen heading seaward off Mexico Towans SW559389 at 1815 hrs. Described as having stripes on the back so probably a Leatherback Turtle.
- 2/8/09 A small pod of Harbour Porpoises was seen off Lowland Point SW804196 at 1218 hrs
- 2/8/09 A few Grey Seals were on Black Rock SW834317 at 1212 hrs
- 2/8/09 A pod of 12 Whitebeaked Dolphins, including 4 juveniles, was playing around and bow riding a boat for 15 mins. 4 miles southeast of Fowey SX120510 at 1230 hrs. One adult had a white scar from damage on its dorsal fin. A young lad on the boat named it Raggy, and it could be a good pod identifier in future.
- 2/8/09 A Basking Shark was seen near the Sharks Fin Rock at Land's End SW327262 from a fishing boat
- 2/8/09 1 Basking Shark, 2 Bottlenose Dolphins, 4 Harbour Porpoises and 8 Grey Seals were seen off Gwennap Head SW367215 today by the Seawatch team.
- 2/8/09 A pod of about 8 Common Dolphins were seen heading east 500 metres east of The Runnelstone SW369200 at 1045 hrs. They were seen again at 1215 hrs about 2 Km off The Minack Cliff Theatre SW387220
- 2/8/09 2 Harbour Porpoises, an adult with baby, were seen southeast of Porthgwarra SW371216 at 1045 hrs

2/8/09 5 or more Harbour Porpoises were well out off The Minack Cliff Theatre SW387220 at 1215 hrs

2/8/09 3 Harbour Porpoises were seen 1 Km south of The Brisons from Carn Gloose SW354313 feeding beneath about 50 gannets at 1030 hrs. They moved off south at 1130 hrs

3/8/09 10 Portuguese-man-of-War were found on the strandline just after high tide at 1800 hrs on the beach at Crinnis SX058521

3/8/09 1 Basking Shark, 8 Harbour Porpoises, and 16 Grey Seals were seen off Gwennap Head SW367215 today by the Seawatch team

4/8/09 2 Basking Sharks were seen off Nanquidno SW357294

4/8/09 A Basking Shark was seen in the north end of Whitesand Bay SW3527

4/8/09 3 Harbour Porpoises and 19 Grey Seals were seen off Gwennap Head SW367215 today by the Seawatch Team

4/8/09 A pod of about 9 Bottlenose Dolphins was seen off Lushington Beach SW694489 at 2030 hrs. They were breaching and surfing in the waves and then they headed northwest for a couple of miles but returned to the same area shortly after.

5/8/09 3 Harbour Porpoises were feeding near The Manacles Reef SW820205 at 1010 hrs

5/8/09 A Basking Shark was seen offshore at the north end of Whitesand Bay SW3527

5/8/09 6 Harbour Porpoises and 27 Grey Seals were seen off Gwennap Head SW367215 during the day by the Seawatch Team

5/8/09 6 Bottlenose Dolphins were seen heading west off Portheras Cove SW388358 at 1610 hrs

5/8/09 4 Harbour Porpoises were seen feeding beneath gannets 500 metres north of The Longships Reef SW320253 from 0830 to 0945 hrs

5/8/09 A pod of about 30 Common Dolphins were spotted about 6 Km north of The Brisons SW340311 at 1300 hrs They gradually move south splitting into 2 groups and rejoining with much surface activity and breaching coming within 1 Km of the Brisons. They all moved off south at 1430 hrs

6/8/09 3 Harbour Porpoises and 10 Grey Seals were seen off Gwennap Head SW367215 today by the Seawatch team

6/8/09 A Basking Shark was seen off the north end of Whitesand Bay SW3527

7/8/09 5 Harbour Porpoises, an Ocean Sunfish and 12 Grey Seals, were seen off Gwennap Head SW367215 today by the Seawatch Team.

7/8/09 5 Harbour Porpoises, including one juvenile, were seen from Carn Gloose SW354313, 200 metre south of The Brisons feeding beneath gannets at 1100 hrs. They moved off south at 1130 hrs

8/8/09 2 Harbour Porpoises were 1.5 Km off Carn Gloose SW354313 at 1500 hrs heading south.

8/8/09 3 Harbour Porpoises were seen off Lowland Point SW804196 at 1212 hrs.

8/8/09 3 Bottlenose Dolphin were seen in Whitesand Bay SW3527 just before midday

8/8/09 A Basking Shark, 8 Harbour Porpoises, an Ocean Sunfish and several Grey Seals were seen off Gwennap Head SW367215 today by the Seawatch team.

8/8/09 4 Bottlenose Dolphins were watched for 1½ hours off Sennen Cove SW350263

8/8/09 A 4 metre Basking Shark was seen heading southeast off Gull Rock Veryan Bay SW927368 at 1600 hrs, from a sail boat.

8/8/09 3 Harbour Porpoises, 2 adults with a baby, were seen east of the Runnelstone Reef SW369200 at 1900 hrs

8/8/09 At least 3 dolphins, probably, Common Dolphins, were seen beneath gannets WSW of the Gwennap Head NCI Lookout SW365217 at 1925 hrs

9/8/09 4 Harbour Porpoises were seen off Black Head SW779160 at 1503 hrs.

9/8/09 An Ocean Sunfish was seen off Cape Cornwall SW349318

9/8/09 7 Harbour Porpoises, an Ocean Sunfish and 5 Grey Seals were seen off Gwennap Head SW367215 by the Seawatch team.

9/8/09 2 Harbour Porpoises were seen 500 metres NW of Cape Cornwall SW349318 at 1550 hrs. They were joined by an adult with a juvenile and moved off south at 1605 hrs.

9/8/09 5 Harbour Porpoises were seen heading northeast near The Manacles SW820205 at 1200 hrs by the crew of the BDMLR team aboard their rib

9/8/09 A dolphin was seen well offshore at Tintagel SX047890, at 1620 hrs. It's size indicated that it was a Bottlenose Dolphin

10/8/09 4 Harbour Porpoises were seen off Lowland Point SW804196 at 1111 hrs

10/8/09 A 6" Loggerhead Turtle was found alive on Loe Bar Beach SW643242 surrounded by a number of stranded Portuguese-man-of-War, it's staple food. It is now recovering in a special quarantine unit at The Blue Reef Aquarium, Newquay. Loggerheads were listed as an endangered species in 1978 and cannot survive long in British waters, its much too cold, so if found they should not be put back into the sea. Squirt, as this one has been named, is responding well to treatment and when it is fully recovered it will be taken to The Canary Islands for release

11/8/09 A Basking Shark was seen off Sennen Cove SW350263

11/8/09 A Basking Shark was seen offshore at Cape Cornwall SW349318

11/8/09 8 Harbour Porpoises, an Ocean Sunfish and 8 Grey Seals were seen off Gwennap Head SW367215 today by the Seawatch team

- 11/8/09 3 Harbour Porpoises, two adults with a baby, were seen just offshore at Lizard Point SW694115 at 1330 hrs
- 12/8/09 An Ocean Sunfish was seen off Porthgwarra SW371216
- 12/8/09 2 Harbour Porpoises, 2 unidentified dolphins and 5 or 6 Grey Seals were seen off Gwennap Head SW367215 today by the Seawatch team
- 13/8/09 A pod of Harbour Porpoise was seen happily feeding around a boat off Lowland Point SW804196 at 1212 hr, and two more, an adult with a young one, were seen off Chynhalls Point SW787174 at little later. At 1503 hrs, 4 were happily playing around the boat off Chynhalls Point
- 13/8/09 3 Harbour Porpoises and 7 Grey Seals were seen off Gwennap Head SW367215 today by the Seawatch team
- 14/8/09 30 or more Bottlenose Dolphins were seen heading west, a Harbour Porpoise and a Basking Shark were seen off Gwennap Head SW367215 today by the Seawatch team
- 14/8/09 A Harbour Porpoise was seen 1 Km SSE of Porthgwarra Cove SW371216 at 1635 hrs
- 14/8/09 A pod of 3 to 6 dolphins, probably Common Dolphins, was seen heading east beneath diving gannets, 2.5 Kms SSE of Porthgwarra Cove SW371216 at 1645 hrs
- 15/8/09 A pod of 5 to 7 Common Dolphins came from the east, but went back east, 600 metres SSE of Porthgwarra Cove SW371216 at 1430 hrs. A similar sized pod came from the west at 1500 hrs, possibly the same pod.
- 15/8/09 A pod of about 150 Common Dolphins was seen heading west off Porthcurno SW387222 during the morning
- 15/8/09 An Ocean Sunfish was seen off Lowland Point SW804196 at 0012 hrs
- 15/8/09 140 or more Common Dolphins including 130 in one pod, and a Basking Shark were seen off Gwennap Head SW367215 by the Seawatch team
- 16/8/09 About 50 Goose Barnacles were found on a stranded blue buoy on the beach at Mawgan Porth SW845678 at 0830 hrs. Among the Goose Barnacles were 3 Columbus Crabs
- 16/8/09 A very large pod of Common Dolphins possibly as many as 500 to 700, 6 Harbour Porpoises and 6 Grey Seals were seen off Gwennap Head SW367215 today by the Seawatch team
- 16/8/09 3 Risso's Dolphins and 2 Ocean Sunfish were seen off Porthgwarra SW371216
- 16/8/09 An Ocean Sunfish, a Basking Shark and a Portuguese-man-of-War were seen off Cape Cornwall SW349318
- 16/8/09 2 Common Dolphins were seen off Marazion Beach SW514308
- 16/8/09 A 5 metre Basking Shark was seen 5 Miles off Gunnards Head SW432388 at 1400 hrs
- 16/8/09 2 Basking Sharks were seen off Penberth Cove SW404226 at 1300 hrs
- 16/8/09 A one metre Ocean Sunfish was seen about 35 metres offshore from the cliff path near St. Agnes SW715518. A flapping fin was first seen, then it lay on it's side at the surface until it submerged as a boat approached
- 16/8/09 A pod of about 150 Common Dolphins was seen heading west off Porthcurno SW387222 during the morning
- 17/8/09 An Ocean Sunfish was seen heading west off Porthgwarra Cove SW371216
- 17/8/09 An Ocean Sunfish was seen off Lowland Point SW804196 at 1503 hrs
- 17/8/09 2 Common Dolphins, 3 Ocean Sunfish and 6 Grey Seals were seen off Gwennap Head SW367215 today by the Seawatch team
- 17/8/09 A Basking Shark was moving left and right parallel with the beach at Praa Sands SW5728 at 1700 hrs
- 17/8/09 An Ocean Sunfish was seen by divers above the wreck of SS James Egan Layne 50°19.53N 4°14.72W
- 18/8/09 8 Grey Seals were seen off Gwennap Head SW367215 today
- 18/8/09 3 Harbour Porpoises were seen heading east on the surface in Bigbury Bay SX6544 at 1100 hrs
- 19/8/09 A pod of at least 10 Bottlenose Dolphins, including 3 juveniles, were seen heading east 70 metres offshore near Newdowns Head SW708519 at 1215 hrs
- 19/8/09 A 3 metre Basking Shark was seen moving to and fro off the beach at Rinsey Cove SW593269 at 1215 hrs. When it came within 15 metres of the surf, 10 people left the water.
- 19/8/09 7 Bottlenose Dolphins were seen briefly off Godrevy SW581433 at 1600 hrs.
- 20/8/09 9 Grey Seals were seen off Gwennap Head SW367215 by the Seawatch Team
- 20/8/09 3 Harbour Porpoises with calves were seen 10 metres off Capstone Point SS519480 at 0808 hrs, and 2 were seen 400 metres off at 1400 hrs, and two more with calves were seen 200 metres off at 1800 hrs.
- 21/8/09 An Ocean Sunfish and 15 Grey Seals were seen off Gwennap Head SW367215 today by the Seawatch Team
- 21/8/09 2 Harbour Porpoises were seen 100 metres off Capstone point SS519480 at 0820 hrs and another with calf were seen 10 metres off at 1350 hrs then surfaced near a Tpod float
- 21/8/09 A pod of 6 to 20 Common Dolphins was seen in rough seas off Porthgwarra Cove SW371216. They came from 3 Km SSE to within 1 Km, heading east beneath gannets from 1805 to 1820 hrs.
- 22/8/09 6 Common Dolphins and 15 Grey Seals were seen off Gwennap Head SW367215 today by the Seawatch team.

22/8/09 3 Harbour Porpoises were seen 1 Km NW of Capstone Point SS519480 at 1325 hrs and two were seen east of Ilfracombe pier SW525479 at 1425 hrs

22/8/09 6 Bottlenose Dolphins spent most of the day playing in the Carrick Roads SW8334

23/8/09 15 Grey Seals were seen off Gwennap Head SW367215 today by the Seawatch team

24/8/09 A Common Dolphin, an unidentified dolphin, 2 Basking Sharks, an Ocean Sunfish and 15 Grey Seals were seen off Geennap Head SW367215 today by the Seawatch team

25/8/09 A Harbour Porpoise was seen 15 metres off Capstone Point SS519480 at 0732 hrs

25/8/09 2 Portuguese-man-of-War were seen close inshore at Pentreath Cove SW693127

26/8/09 2 Grey Seals were seen off Gwennap Head SW367215 by the Seawatch team today

26/8/09 2 Portuguese-man-of-War were found stranded at the high tide line on Branscombe Beach SY 190875

26/8/09 A pod of at least 10 Common Dolphins was seen feeding beneath about 50 gannets 2 Km NW of Cape Cornwall SW349318 at 1530 hrs

27/8/09 3 Basking Sharks, 1 Harbour Porpoise a dolphin and 4 Grey Seals were seen off Gwennap Head SW367215 today by the Seawatch team

28/8/09 A large Piranha was found in a Devon River.

28/8/09 3 Grey Seals were seen off Gwennap Head SW367215 today by the Seawatch team

29/8/09 12 Basking Sharks, 25 or more Common Dolphins, a Bottlenose Dolphin, an Ocean Sunfish, and 7 Grey Seals were seen off Gwennap Head SW367215 today by the Seawatch team.

30/8/09 5 or more Basking Sharks were seen off Porthgwarra SW371216

30/8/09 5 Bottlenose Dolphins were seen in the Carrick Roads SW830330 heading southeast toward St Anthony Head at 1212 hrs

30/8/09 5 Basking Sharks and 3 Grey Seals were seen off Gwennap Head SW367215 today by the Seawatch team.

30/8/09 2 Ocean Sunfish were seen near Shag Rock, Perranporth SW747542 at 1500 hrs. One was on it's side at the surface being pecked at by gulls, and the other breached 4 times

30/8/09 An Ocean Sunfish was seen about 4 miles north of St Ives SW520407 at midday

31/8/09 5 Basking Sharks and 2 Grey Seals were seen off Gwennap Head SW367215 today by the Seawatch team.

31/8/09 A Basking Shark was seen in fresh winds in Sennen Bay SW350263 today.

31/8/09 A Basking Shark was seen off Levant Mine SW370344 by a birdwatcher during the day.

1/9/09 Harbour Porpoises were seen off Capstone Point SS519480 early morning, just after lunch and again in the evening, with much gannet activity.

1/9/09 An Ocean Sunfish was seen heading west off Tunnels Beaches Ilfracombe SS524479 during the evening beneath 20 diving gannets, and 3 Harbour Porpoises 100 metres off the beach

1/9/09 3 or more Basking Sharks, a Minke Whale, 22 Common Dolphins, 6 or 7 Harbour Porpoises and 2 or more Grey Seals were seen off Gwennap Head SW367215 by the Seawatch team today

2/9/09 2 Basking Sharks were seen off Porthgwarra Cove SW371216 today

2/9/09 2 or more Basking Sharks, 7 or more Common Dolphins and 1 Grey Seal were seen off Gwennap Head SW367215 today by the Seawatch team

3/9/09 2 to 4 Basking Sharks, 5 or more Common Dolphins a Harbour Porpoise and 3 or more Grey Seals were seen off Gwennap Head SW367215 today by the Seawatch team

3/9/09 4 Grey Seals were hauled out on Black Rock Falmouth SW834317 this morning.

4/9/09 5 Grey Seals were hauled out on Black Rock Falmouth SW834317 this morning

4/9/09 1 or 2 Basking Sharks, a Minke Whale, 3 to 9 Harbour Porpoises and 7 or more Grey Seals were seen off Gwennap Head SW367215 today by the Seawatch team

5/9/09 A Bull Grey Seal was seen feeding off Black Head SW77916 during the morning

5/9/09 3 or more Basking Sharks, possibly 3 Minke Whales, 8 or more Common Dolphins 4 or 5 Harbour Porpoises and 19 Grey Seals were seen off Gwennap Head SW367215 today by the Seawatch team. One of the Basking Sharks breached and the Grey Seals were hauled out on rocks

5/9/09 A 9 metre Basking Shark was seen near the Lifeboat Slip at Sennen Cove SW351267 at 1600 hrs. It moved around to the Cowloe rocks and disappeared

6/9/09 At least 1 Basking Shark, a Minke Whale, one or more Harbour Porpoises and 18 Grey Seals were seen off Gwennap Head SW367215 today by the Seawatch team

7/9/09 One or more Basking Sharks, one or more Minke Whales, 3 or more Harbour Porpoises and 19 Grey Seals were seen off Gwennap Head SW367215 today by the Seawatch team

7/9/09 2 Grey Seals were seen ½ mile off Kenidjack Point SW355326 from 1402 to 1405 hrs

8/9/09 19 Grey Seals were seen off Gwennap Head SW367215 again today by the Seawatch team

9/9/09 A Grey Seal was showing off its catch of the day before eating it and then relaxed around a boat off Black Head SW779161 during the morning

9/9/09 At least 7 Harbour Porpoise, 2 Basking Sharks and 17 Grey Seals were seen off Gwennap Head SW367215 today by the Seawatch team

10/9/09 A Minke Whale, at least 15 Common Dolphins, at least 10 Harbour Porpoises and 13 Grey Seals, one of which was seen eating a Conger Eel, were seen off Gwennap Head SW367215 today by the Seawatch team

- 11/9/09 A Basking Shark, a Minke Whale, 50 or more Common Dolphins, 6 or more Harbour Porpoises and a Grey Seal was seen off Gwennap Head SW367215 today by the Seawatch team
- 12/9/09 3 Basking Sharks, a Minke Whale, and 3 Grey Seals were seen off Gwennap Head SW367215 today by the Seawatch team
- 12/9/09 3 Basking Sharks and a Minke Whale were seen off Porthgwarra SW371216 today
- 12/9/09 A Basking Shark was seen feeding ¼ mile off Nare Head near Helford SW800247 from 1310 to 1500 hrs and during that time a pod of Bottlenose Dolphin headed southwest off the Head
- 13/9/09 3 Minke Whales, about 20 Common Dolphins and about 10 Harbour Porpoises were seen off Porthgwarra SW371216 today
- 13/9/09 At least one Basking Shark, 2 or more Minke Whales, 20 or more Common Dolphins, 4 Harbour Porpoises and 4 Grey Seals were seen off Gwennap Head SW367215 today by the Seawatch team.
- 14/9/09 6 Harbour Porpoises and 7 Grey Seals were seen off Gwennap Head SW367215 today by the Seawatch team.
- 14/9/09 A small pod of 3 to 5 Harbour Porpoises were beneath Gannets 2.5km off North Cliff SW625432 at 1500 hrs
- 15/9/09 A Basking Shark was in the tide race east of The Brisons SW340311 from 1300 to 1330 hrs and 2 Harbour Porpoises were 200 metres east of Cape Cornwall SW349318 at 1330hrs
- 15/9/09 A Grey Seal was seen swimming near Black Rock, Falmouth SW834317 during the morning
- 16/9/09 A Minke Whale and 4 or 5 Harbour Porpoises were seen off Gwennap Head SW367215 today by the Seawatch team
- 17/9/09 A small pod of 2 to 5 cetaceans, probably Harbour Porpoises, were beneath gannets 5km west of Gwennap Head SW367215 late afternoon.
- 18/9/09 A Basking Shark was 1km northwest of Cape Cornwall SW349318 from 1145 to 1200 hrs
- 18/9/09 A Northern Bottlenose Whale has been seen off Bournemouth SZ100910 since the 14th of the month
- 19/9/09 2 Basking Sharks, 3 or more Minke Whales, about 30 Common Dolphins, two other dolphins, probably Bottlenose Dolphins, 8 Harbour Porpoises and 15 Grey Seals were seen off Gwennap Head SW367215 today by the Seawatch team
- 19/9/09 50 or more Bottlenose Dolphins were seen about 2 miles south of the Wolf Rock Lighthouse SW270120 at 1200 hrs. 3 were seen at first breaching, and the about 60 metres away about 50 appeared all breaching.
- 19/9/09 2 Harbour Porpoises were 2.5km northwest of Gwennap Head Sw367215 at 1130 hrs and 2 more were 3km west-south-west of the Head at 1205hrs.
- 19/9/09 A pod of 12 to 15 Common Dolphins was seen heading west off Gwennap Head SW367215 at 1215hrs and a Minke Whale surfaced twice 2.5km southeast of the Head at 1240hrs
- 19/9/09 A Basking Shark was seen 400 metres NNW of the NCI Lookout at St. Ives SW521411 at 1415 hrs
- 19/9/09 3 adult Harbour Porpoises were seen heading NW 1 Km NNW of The Brisons SW340311
- 20/9/09 A Basking Shark and a pod of about 15 Common Dolphins were seen off Porthgwarra SW371216 today
- 20/9/09 A Pilot Whale was seen heading southeast 500 yards off the breakwater at Mevagissey SX019448 at 1400 hrs
- 20/9/09 A Basking Shark, a pod of about 20 Common Dolphins and 24 Grey Seals were seen off Gwennap Head SW367215 today by the Seawatch team, and they also reported 8 Grey Seals on the Longships Reef SW320253.
- 20/9/09 A large cetacean, at least 20 ft long, surfaced 3 times in about 20 minutes between Pentewan and Black Head in position SX033473. It was thought to be a Northern Bottlenose Whale.
- 21/9/09 A Minke Whale and 14 Grey Seals were seen off Gwennap Head SW367215 today by the Seawatch team
- 22/9/09 A dead Northern Bottlenose Whale was found on the beach at Alum Chine near Bournemouth Dorset, SZ100910 It had been seen offshore from 14th to 18th of the month but discovered dead today.
- 22/9/09 2 Common Dolphins, 6 Harbour Porpoises and 14 Grey Seals were seen off Gwennap Head SW367215 today by the Seawatch Team
- 23/9/09 6 Grey Seals were hauled out on Black Rock Falmouth SW833317 at 1010 hrs and another was seen off St Anthony Head SW845310 a few minutes later
- 23/9/09 An Ocean Sunfish was seen off Black Head SW779161 at 1111hrs
- 23/9/09 A Basking Shark, 2 Minke Whales, one Bottlenose Dolphin, 7 Common Dolphins and 5 Harbour Porpoises were seen off Gwennap Head Sw367215 today by the Seawatch team
- 24/9/09 5 Harbour Porpoises were seen off Manacle Point SW811214 at 1111 hrs
- 24/9/09 6 Harbour Porpoises were seen off Coverack SW781183 at 1115 hrs
- 24/9/09 6 Harbour Porpoises were seen off Lowland Point SW804196 at 1113 hrs
- 24/9/09 A Thresher Shark with a 6ft body plus a 6ft tail, estimated weight 440 lbs was found washed up by surfers on Hayle Beach SW551382
- 24/9/09 3 Basking Sharks, 1 Minke Whale, 5 or more Common Dolphins, and at least 2 Harbour Porpoises, were seen off Gwennap Head SW367215 today by the Seawatch team

- 24/9/09 3 Basking Sharks were 400 metres SW of The Brisons SW340311 at 1030 hrs and at the same time another was 500 metres off Botallack SW361338 and another 500 metres north of The Longships Reef SW320253
- 24/9/09 A Basking Shark was seen ½ mile off St Anthony Head SW846311 from 1420 to 1440 hrs
- 25/9/09 6 Basking Shark were seen between The Runnelstone SW369200 and The Longships Reef SW320253 from 1300 to 1500 hrs
- 25/9/09 3 Minke Whales were off the Wolf Rock Lighthouse SW270120. Two were south of the reef and a larger one was to the north.
- 25/9/09 7 or 8 Bottlenose Dolphins were seen heading west off Gwennap Head SW367215 at 1300 hrs and 5 Harbour Porpoises were moving about off the Head from 1300 to 1500 hrs
- 25/9/09 13 Basking Sharks, a possible Sei Whale, at least 5 Minke Whales, 20 or more Bottlenose Dolphins, a pod of at least 42 Common Dolphins, 16 or more Harbour Porpoises, and an Ocean Sunfish were seen off Gwennap Head SW367215 today by the Seawatch team
- 25/9/09 A possible Sei Whale and 5 Minke Whales were seen off Porthgwarra SW371216 today
- 26/9/09 4 Harbour Porpoises were seen near the Manacles SW811214 and 2 more were seen off Lowland Point SW804196 during the morning
- 26/9/09 A Whale,(possibly a Minke Whale) 3 Basking Sharks, 12 Common Dolphins and 4 Harbour Porpoises were seen off Porthgwarra SW371215
- 26/9/09 3 Basking Shark were seen off Nanquidno SW357294
- 26/9/09 3 Basking Sharks, a probable Minke Whale, 12 or more Common Dolphins and at least 4 Harbour Porpoises were seen off Gwennap Head Sw367215 today by the Seawatch team
- 26/9/09 A Minke Whale was seen north of Wolf Rock SW270120 at 1030 hrs
- 26/9/09 4 Basking Sharks were spotted ½ mile west of Cape Cornwall SW349318 at 1330 hrs. They stayed in the area for 2 hours then headed north. They were all about 14ft long
- 27/9/09 6 or more Common Dolphins, at least 2 Harbour Porpoises, a dolphins species, and 3 Grey Seals were seen off Gwennap Head SW367215 today by the Seawatch team
- 28/9/09 A Basking Shark, a pod of at least 48 Common Dolphins, another pod of at least 12 Bottlenose Dolphins, a Harbour Porpoise and 3 Grey Seals, were seen off Gwennap Head SW367215 by the Seawatch team today
- 28/9/09 A pod of 12 to 15 Common Dolphin was seen heading west off Gwennap Head SW367215 at 1300 hrs. They were still in the area 3.5km to the west of the Head from 1530 to 1630 hrs where they were joined by another pod of about 10 animals coming from the west making 25 to 30 in total
- 28/9/09 A pod of at least 6 Bottlenose Dolphin including one juvenile, was seen heading south off Cape Cornwall, SW349318 at 0945 hrs. They spent some minutes near a small fishing boat near the Brisons when the juvenile breached a few times.
- 29/9/09 A Bottlenose Dolphin, 6 or more Harbour Porpoises and 9 Grey Seals were seen off Gwennap Head SW367215 by the Seawatch team today.
- 30/9/09 A Basking Shark, 2 or more Minke Whales, 4 Risso's Dolphins, at least 5 unidentified dolphins, 6 or more Harbour Porpoises, and 8 Grey Seals were seen off Gwennap Head SW367215 by the Seawatch team today
- 30/9/09 There was a brief view of 3 Risso's Dolphins just offshore below the NCI Lookout at Gwennap Head SW365217
- 30/9/09 A Common Seal was seen off Looe (St. Georges) Island SX2551 today
- 30/9/09 About 50 Pilot Whales in a large loosely grouped pod were seen about 20 miles south of Falmouth SW823333 during the afternoon
- 1/10/09 A Basking Shark, one or more Minke Whales, a large rorqual species, at least 2 Harbour Porpoises and 16 Grey Seals were seen off Gwennap Head SW367215 by the Seawatch team today
- 2/10/09 4 Risso's Dolphins, at least 3 Common Dolphins, 6 or more Bottlenose Dolphins, 5 or more Harbour Porpoises and 9 Grey Seals were seen off Gwennap Head SW367215 today by the Seawatch team
- 2/10/09 4 or more Harbour Porpoises were seen feeding beneath gannets off Porthcurno SW387222 and a Minke Whale surfaced twice as it was seen heading east.
- 3/10/09 A 15ft Basking Shark was seen ½ way between Penzance and St. Mary's Isles of Scilly from MV Scillonian III
- 3/10/09 2 Grey Seals were seen off Gwennap Head SW367215 today by the Seawatch team
- 4/10/09 2 Minke Whales were seen off Porthgwarra SW371216
- 4/10/09 2 or more Basking Sharks, up to 11 Minke Whales, at least 9 Common Dolphins, about 6 Harbour Porpoises, 9 unidentified dolphins and 7 Grey Seals were seen off Gwennap Head SW367215 by the Seawatch team today
- 4/10/09 A mother Grey Seal with her few days old white coated baby was seen on the beach between St. Anthony Lighthouse and Zone Point SW849311 during the morning
- 4/10/09 7 or more Common Dolphins and 3 or more Harbour Porpoises were seen feeding in the tide race off Beady Point St. Agnes I.o.S SV890074. One of the Common Dolphins was tail slapping
- 5/10/09 A Harbour Porpoise and 11 Grey Seals were seen off Gwennap Head SW367216 by the Seawatch team today

- 5/10/09 A pod of dolphins was seen heading west off the NCI Lookout at St. Ives SW521411 at 1620 hrs
- 6/10/09 An Ocean Sunfish and 8 Grey Seals were seen off Gwennap Head SW367215 by the Seawatch team today
- 7/10/09 A pod of at least 8 Common Dolphins and 3 Grey Seals were seen off Gwennap Head SW367215 today by the Seawatch team
- 8/10/09 Up to 3 Minke Whales, 10 to 19 Harbour Porpoises and 19 Grey Seals were seen off Gwennap Head SW367215 today by the Seawatch team
- 8/10/09 A Minke Whale was seen off Porthgwarra SW371216 today.
- 9/10/09 4 to 6 Harbour Porpoises and 15 Grey Seals were seen off Gwennap Head SW367215 today by the Seawatch team
- 10/10/09 25 Whitebeaked Dolphins were seen heading slowly west from 1600 to 1645 hrs also 5 or 6 Harbour Porpoises and 15 Grey Seals were seen off Gwennap Head SW367215 by the Seawatch team today
- 11/10/09 A Basking Shark, 2 or 3 Harbour Porpoises and 4 Grey Seals were seen off Gwennap Head SW3672215 today by the Seawatch team
- 11/10/09 About 20 dolphins were surfing with human surfers at Polzeath Beach SW9378 today
- 12/10/09 One or two Basking Sharks, a Minke Whale, 2 to 5 Risso's Dolphins, a Harbour Porpoise and 3 Grey Seals were seen off Gwennap Head SW367215 today by the Seawatch team.
- 12/10/09 2 Risso's Dolphins, both large, one very pale, were seen off Gwennap Head SW367215 from 1445 to 1530 hrs. They were close to small fishing boats but not bothered by them.
- 13/10/09 4 Harbour Porpoises were seen just east of The Runnelstone Reef SW369200 at 1630 hrs
- 13/10/09 One or two Basking Sharks, a Minke Whale, up to 50 Harbour Porpoises, 3 or more Grey Seals, and an Ocean Sunfish were seen off Gwennap Head SW367215 by the Seawatch team today
- 13/10/09 Bottlenose Dolphins in two groups which came together to form a pod of about 10 were seen heading east between Godrevy Point and the Island SW578434 at 1400 hrs They were breaching, playing and tail wagging with their heads in the water.
- 14/10/09 3 Risso's Dolphins, one or two Harbour Porpoises, and 6 or more Grey Seals were seen off Gwennap Head SW367215 by the Seawatch team today.
- 14/10/09 At least 10 Bottlenose Dolphins were happily moving among the boats in Carrick Roads SW8334 this morning
- 14/10/09 A pod of Common Dolphins was seen feeding beneath an estimated 900 gannets. Some were breaching and juveniles were present. They were joined by another pod that came at high speed from the south, making a total of about 25 animals. They were about 1 to 1½ miles southwest of Horse Point St. Agnes I.o.S SV883071. There were also 7 or more Harbour Porpoises including juveniles in the area. A rorqual whale was also seen three times over a period of 20 minutes, Blows were seen three or four times with 15 seconds between blows. The dive sequence matched that of a Sei Whale but the blows were huge like a Fin Whale
- 14/10/09 2 Grey Seal were seen ½ mile off Kenidjack Castle SW355326 from 1208 to 1215 hrs and another was seen closer in from 1240 to 1446 hrs
- 14/10/09 2 Common Dolphins were seen ¾ mile off Nare Point Helford SW800252 from 1214 to 1216 hrs and two other dolphins were spotted further offshore from 1217 to 1219 hrs.
- 14/10/09 5 Harbour Porpoise were seen 800 metres off Porthmeor Beach SW516410
- 14/10/09 9 Bottlenose Dolphins were being very active in the Carrick Roads SW8334 during the morning
- 14/10/09 5 Harbour Porpoises, including one juvenile, were seen steadily heading south off Gribba Point SW355302 at 1530 hrs. They were apparently feeding 500 to 700 metres offshore.
- 15/10/09 Two Risso's Dolphins, one seen side-slapping several times, and 8 Grey Seals were seen off Gwennap Head SW367215 today by the Seawatch team.
- 16/10/09 A 30 ft Basking Shark was spotted below the cliffs from an aircraft in Port Quin Bay SW9680 at 1130 hrs.
- 17/10/09 3 Harbour Porpoises were seen heading southwest at 1718 hrs from MV Scillonian III in Crow Sound Isles of Scilly SV940120 and 2 were seen east of Menawethen SV957137. East of the Eastern Isles SV980160, 3 Common Dolphins were breaching , trying the catch the bow wave of the Scillonian.
- 17/10/09 3 Common Dolphins were seen heading south off the Eastern Isles I.o.S SV980160 at 1720 hrs and 2 Harbour Porpoise were seen south of Lands End SW341243 at 1805 hrs.
- 22/10/09 A young dead Harbour Porpoise with its head cut off was found on Par Beach SX0853
- 10/11/09 A large and very pale Risso's Dolphin was seen 2 KM northwest of Cape Cornwall SW349318 at 1100 hrs
- 10/11/09 At least 5 Harbour Porpoises, including 2 juveniles, were in the tide race north of The Brisons SW340311 at 1145 hrs
- 12/11/09 A Grey Seal was seen off Porthgwithen Beach SW521410 at 0755hrs
- 13/11/09 A pod of dolphins was seen 300 metres northeast of the NCI Lookout at St Ives SW521411 at 1030 hrs
- 14/11/09 A Grey Seal was seen off Porthgwithen Beach SW521410 at 1212 hrs.

15/11/09 A Harbour Porpoise was seen 500 metres north of the NCI Lookout St. Ives SW521411 at 1030 hrs

16/11/09 8 Grey Seal pups were found dead within a 6 day period at the beginning of the month. High tides and stormy seas have caused pups to be swept out of coves, caves and other breeding areas. Others have been taken to the Gweek Seal Sanctuary after being separated from their mothers. Staff there are working to make the pups feel calm and ensure that they are fed and well looked after.

17/11/09 An adult Harbour Porpoise was seen 600 metres SSE of Porthgwarra Cove SW371216 at 0930 hrs

17/11/09 2 Harbour Porpoises, an adult with a baby, were seen 200 metres SE of Porthgwarra Cove SW371216 at 1045 hrs

18/11/09 At least 3 Harbour Porpoises were just west of The Cowloe SW348266 from 1045 to 1130 hrs

18/11/09 A pod of dolphins was seen heading west off the NCI lookout St Ives SW521411 at 0834 hrs and returning heading east at 0850 hrs.

18/11/09 A pod of 10 or more dolphins was seen east of the NCI Lookout St. Ives SW521411 at 1208 hrs

19/11/09 A pod of 7 dolphins was seen heading east off the NCI Lookout St Ives SW521411 at 0855 hrs

19/11/09 2 Harbour Porpoises were feeding around The Wra SW381365 at 0930 hrs

22/11/09 4 small Portuguese-man-of-War were found stranded at Trenow Cove SW531299

23/11/09 3 Grey Seas were seen off Porthgwidden Beach SW521410 at 1520 hrs

23/11/09 3 dolphins, thought to be Bottlenose Dolphins, were seen heading north off Cape Cornwall SW349318 at 0930 hrs. and a Harbour Porpoise was briefly seen 700 metres off the Cape at 1100 hrs.

24/11/09 5 dolphins, probably Bottlenose Dolphins, were seen heading east off the NCI Lookout at St. Ives SW521411 at 0847 hrs

24/11/09 3 Harbour Porpoises were feeding beneath gannets just west of The Cowloe SW348266 from 1205 to 1230 hrs

25/11/09 2 Harbour Porpoises were seen behind The Wra SW381365 from 1130 to 1200 hrs

25/11/09 A pod of dolphins, probably Bottlenose, was seen off Hayle Bar SW549391 at 0940 hrs

26/11/09 A Harbour Porpoise was seen circling the lifeboat buoys in Kilcobben Cove SW716126 at 1400 hrs

27/11/09 A Harbour Porpoise was seen behind The Wra SW381365 at 1005 hrs.

28/11/09 A Harbour Porpoise was seen briefly heading north 1 Km west of Cape Cornwall SW349318 at 1200 hrs

1/12/09 A Grey Seal was seen 25 metres NW of the NCI Lookout St Ives SW521411 at 1330 hrs and a dolphin was seen 200 metres north of the lookout at 1404 hrs

1/12/09 2 Harbour Porpoises were seen behind The Wra, Pendeen SW381365 at 1005 hrs

2/12/09 2 Harbour Porpoises were seen behind The Wra, Pendeen SW381365 at 1445 hrs

3/12/09 A Harbour Porpoise was seen behind the Wra, Pendeen SW381365 from 1030 to 1130 hrs

3/12/09 A pod of 10 to 12 dolphins including young ones, was seen heading east off the NCI Lookout St. Ives SW521411 at 1310 hrs

3/12/09 A young 40ft Fin Whale stranded on Priest Skeer mud flats, Hest Bank, Lancashire SD4566 after drifting offshore for some days. It had floated off back to sea by 5th Dec but re-stranded at Arnside SD4578 by Tuesday 8th

4/12/09 2 Harbour Porpoises were seen outside the Cowloe, Sennen SW348266 and 2 more were seen to the NW of the Cowloe 5/12/09 A pod of 5 or more dolphins was breaching and playing about 200 metres off Porthminster Point SW525399 with Herring Gulls and Cormorants on the water nearby at 1000 hrs

6/12/09 A pod of 8 to 10 dolphins was about ¼ mile off Porth Kidney Sands SW5438 at 1202 hrs

6/12/09 5 Harbour Porpoises were seen 400 metres south of Porthcurno SW387222 at 1345 hrs

9/12/09 A Grey Seal was seen off Porthgwidden Beach SW521410

9/12/09 10s of thousands of Starfish stranded at Holkham Beach Norfolk TF8946 earlier this month.

9/12/09 A pod of 4 to 8 dolphins was breaching 800 metres SE of the NCI Lookout St. Ives SW521411 at 1215 hrs

11/12/09 2 Harbour Porpoise were just north of The Brisons SW340311 and two more were about 300 metres north of Cape Cornwall SW349318 from 1130 to 1230 hrs

14/12/09 A Harbour Porpoise was seen outside the Brisons SW340311 at 1100 hrs

15/12/09 A whale, thought to be a Fin whale by its high vertical blows, was seen heading west off the NCI Lookout at Gwennap Head SW365217 surrounded by about 25 Harbour Porpoises at 1100 hrs

15/12/09 20 to 30 Harbour Porpoises were seen 4 to 5 Km SW of the NCI Lookout SW365217 heading east at 1600 hrs

17/12/09 3 Dolphins were 150 yds NE of Bamaluz Point SW521409 at 1300 hrs

18/12/09 A Harbour Porpoise was heading east off Porthgwarra SW371216 at 1200 hrs with a large feeding flock of Kittiwakes, Auks and Gannets

20/12/09 A 25cm dead Triggerfish was found stranded with eyes missing at Port Isaac SW995809

- 25/12/09 A 10cm dead Triggerfish was found stranded at Portreath SW653454 and another with eyes missing at 25cm long
- 25/12/09 Several Triggerfish were found stranded on Perranporth Beach SW756544
- 25/12/09 A pod of 5 to 7 Bottlenose Dolphins was seen heading southwest near the Longships Reef SW320253 from 1307 to 1311 hrs.
- 27/12/09 A Common Octopus, *Octopus vulgaris*, was found stranded on Salthouse Beach Norfolk
- 27/12/09 6 Bottlenose Dolphin were 200 metres northwest of The NCI Lookout St. Ives SW521411 at 1350 hrs
- 28/12/09 6 Bottlenose Dolphin were 300 metres northeast of the St Ives NCI Lookout SW521411 at 1100 hrs
- 28/12/09 5 Bottlenose Dolphin, including one baby, were 200 metres off the St. Ives NCI Lookout SW521411 at 1345 hrs
- 28/12/09 3 or 4 Bottlenose Dolphin were seen heading east 200 metres off the NCI Lookout at St. Ives SW521411 at 1523 hrs
- 28/12/09 A dead Triggerfish was found stranded at Woolacombe Beach SS450420 and two more were found stranded on the tide line at Watergate Bay SW842655. Triggerfish seem to get stranded regularly on the Cornish coast at this time of year, from December to February, and some of them are quite small, so are they breeding this far north?
- 29/12/09 3 Bottlenose Dolphins were seen heading NE about 600 yards off the St. Ives NCI Lookout SW521411 at 1537 hrs
- 30/12/09 6 dolphins were seen heading southeast, 2 mile east of the St. Ives NCI Lookout SW521411 at 0820 hrs
- 30/12/09 6 or more dolphins were seen heading northwest 500 metres north of the St. Ives NCI Lookout Sw521411 at 1225 hrs
- 30/12/09 4 or more dolphins were seen heading west 400 yards northeast of the St. Ives NCI Lookout SW521411 at 1253 hrs
- 30/12/09 5 dolphins were seen heading west 300 yards north of the St. Ives NCI Lookout SW521411 at 1406 hrs
- 31/12/09 4 dolphins, black fins only, were seen moving east apparently feeding with gulls following, about 500 yards east of the St. Ives NCI Lookout SW521411 at 1540 hrs
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