



### Picnic with a Porpoise

#### Public Seaquest Watches

Join other Seaquesters at different cliff top locations around the Cornish coast to look for some amazing marine wildlife, learn about the animals we share our coast with and about Seaquest and meet other like-minded people while enjoying a cliff-top tea and cake (COVID restrictions allowing!!).

**Please note** – some sea watches are located close to an NCI station, and all will be clearly marked with a flag or logoed volunteers. Please bring appropriate clothing, drinks and some snacks, and be prepared to potentially be socially distant from others there.

#### Every 3rd Sunday of the month

All from 11.00am to 1.00pm

Sunday 21st January	Pendennis Point, Falmouth
Sunday 18th February	Trevoze Head, Padstow
Sunday 17th March	Rame Head NCI Station
Sunday 21st April	Cape Cornwall NCI
Sunday 19th May	Viewing Point, North Widemouth
Sunday 16th June	Lizard Point Watchpoint
Sunday 21st July	Perrenuthnoe, nr. Marazion
Sunday 18th August	St Anthony Head, Roseland
Sunday 15th September	St Agnes, Carn Gowla
Sunday 20th October	Gwennap Head, nr. Porthgwarra
Sunday 17th November	Towan Head, Newquay
Sunday 15th December	St Ives NCI Station

### Marine Recorders Evening

An event to gather with fellow Sea Watchers and other marine recorders within the Living Seas Projects in Cornwall, for an evening of talks to summarise the year's wildlife sightings.

**21st November 2024**

**5.30pm – 9.30pm, Location TBC**

### National Whale and Dolphin Watch 2024

#### Friday 26th July – Sunday 4th August

Seaquest Southwest will be taking part in the Sea Watch Foundation's NWDW by putting on public sea watches.

Join dedicated recorders and other Seaquest volunteers at these sea watches, happening county wide for this national event organised by the Sea Watch Foundation. The aim of this event is to give a general snapshot of what is in UK coastal waters over a short period of time.

As well as gaining valuable research data, we hope this will draw attention to the conservation of our marine environment.

### Seaquest Sundays

#### Seaquest Trained Volunteer Watches

Effort based survey day (the first Sunday of every month) for our trained volunteers to record our marine wildlife from their favourite sea watching point.

#### You must be a trained volunteer to lead these surveys

Trained Local Marine Groups support these events and hold surveys that **all can attend and join in with**, please turn over for more information on the reverse side of this programme.

From 11.00am to 1.00pm

Sunday 7th January	Sunday 7th July
Sunday 4th February	Sunday 4th August
Sunday 3rd March	Sunday 1st September
Sunday 7th April	Sunday 6th October
Sunday 5th May	Sunday 3rd November
Sunday 2nd June	Sunday 1st December

### Seaquest Survey Training

A day course on how to conduct effort-based surveys and to improve marine wildlife ID skills. Places are restricted per course and booking is essential via Eventbrite, closer to the event.

<b>Saturday</b>	Time: 9.30am – 4.00pm
<b>23rd March</b>	Location: Online (AM) and face to face (PM) St Agnes/Falmouth
<b>2024</b>	

*There may be other opportunities to train, please sign up for the newsletter to keep up to date with news and events.*

### Seaquest NWDW Locations 2024

**11:00am-1:00pm**

Saturday 27th July	Polruan NCI
Monday 29th July	Dodman Point, St Austell
Wednesday 31st July	Pentire Point, nr. Polzeath
Saturday 3rd August	Mirroze Well, North Cliffs

For more information please contact:  
[Seaquest@cornwallwildlifetrust.org](mailto:Seaquest@cornwallwildlifetrust.org)  
[www.seawatchfoundation.org.uk/nwdw](http://www.seawatchfoundation.org.uk/nwdw)

## Associated Local Marine Groups

Seaquest Southwest collaborates with our marine and coastal wildlife groups around the county to set up local sea watching sites, supported by the local community. This enables us to gather more information about the marine wildlife that resides around Cornwall. These groups are part of the Your Shore Network and they run surveys at their local sites during Seaquest Sundays when volunteers are available, and the conditions are suitable. Why not join them on the cliffs for a more social sea watch!

### PLEASE NOTE:

- \* These groups are run by volunteers who might not be available during the Seaquest Sunday dates or might run additional events. Please use the contact information below to check with the group for details and updates.
- \* These local surveys may be cancelled in rain, fog, mist or any winds above force 4. Check the weather and local group Facebook pages before you leave the house.

### Mounts Bay Marine Group

The waters around Mounts Bay are home to an amazing abundance of life. It is such a special environment that Mounts Bay was designated a Marine Conservation Zone in January 2016. The Mounts Bay Marine Group aims to protect and conserve our marine environment and to promote the fantastic marine wildlife found here.

For more information contact:  
[mountsbaymarine@gmail.com](mailto:mountsbaymarine@gmail.com)

Or Facebook [@MountsBayMarineGroup](https://www.facebook.com/MountsBayMarineGroup)

### St Ives Bay Marine Group

St Ives Bay Marine Group aims to explore and protect the coastal and marine environment, sharing our passion for the habitats and species that live here. St Ives Bay Marine Group will be holding Seaquest watches at the NCI station in St Ives.

For more information visit:  
[www.stivesclt.org.uk/localgroups/st-ives-bay-marine-group/](http://www.stivesclt.org.uk/localgroups/st-ives-bay-marine-group/)

Or Facebook: [@stivesbaymarinegroup](https://www.facebook.com/stivesbaymarinegroup)

### St Agnes Marine Conservation Group

The St Agnes Marine Conservation Group is run by volunteers to promote the St Agnes Voluntary Marine Conservation Area (VMCA) and help everyone to enjoy and appreciate the fantastic wildlife and wild places St Agnes has to offer. The group will be conducting sea watch surveys as part of Seaquest Sundays from the coast path below the St Agnes Head NCI station.

For more information contact :  
[stagnesvmca@gmail.com](mailto:stagnesvmca@gmail.com)

Or Facebook  
[@StAgnesMarineConservationGroup](https://www.facebook.com/StAgnesMarineConservationGroup)

### Newquay Marine Group

Newquay Marine Group are a group of local residents working together to create a marine community for the town and surrounding areas, from Crantock to Watergate Bay. The group will be supporting Seaquest Sundays by running sea watches from Towan Head throughout the year and would be delighted to welcome people to join local volunteers to survey marine wildlife from this fantastic look out.

For more information contact  
[newquaymarinegroup@gmail.com](mailto:newquaymarinegroup@gmail.com)

Or Facebook [@NewquayMarineGroup](https://www.facebook.com/NewquayMarineGroup)

### Three Bays Wildlife Group, St Austell

The Three Bays Wildlife Group is a voluntary community lead local wildlife group constituted since April 2018 and are affiliated to CWT. The group has been running Seaquest Surveys for several years from Dodman Point, near St Austell and are aiming to venture to other beautiful headlands of the Roseland to spot wonderful marine mega-fauna.

For more information, visit  
Facebook Page [@ThreeBaysWildlife](https://www.facebook.com/ThreeBaysWildlife)

### Falmouth Marine Conservation Group

A collaboration between the local and student communities in Falmouth dedicated to protecting our marine environment, will be hosting public sea watches on Seaquest Sundays at Pendennis Point. Support this group by joining locals at this brilliant location looking over the harbour to spot wildlife.

For more information, visit  
[www.falmouthmarineconservation.org.uk](http://www.falmouthmarineconservation.org.uk)  
or Facebook page  
[@FalMarineConservation](https://www.facebook.com/FalMarineConservation)

### Perranporth Marine Conservation Group

A group of like-minded volunteers working towards protecting and conserving Perranporth's natural beauty through community education and engagement. The group will be supporting Seaquest Sundays at Cligga Head with parking at the car park on the right of the entrance to Cligga Industrial Estate.

For more information, visit  
Facebook page:  
[@perranporthmarineconservationgroup](https://www.facebook.com/perranporthmarineconservationgroup)

### National Trust watch points

#### Mayon Cliff Lookout

With views from Cape Cornwall to Land's End, this viewpoint is ideal for wildlife watching. During the summer, volunteers at the lookout are available to share information on local wildlife.

#### Lizard Wildlife Watch Point

At Britain's most southerly point, the National Trust's Wildlife Watchpoint is a fantastic place to get closer to nature.

Volunteers are on hand every day, between April and September, to point out and share more about marine wildlife.

For more information contact  
[lizardandpenrose@nationaltrust.org.uk](mailto:lizardandpenrose@nationaltrust.org.uk)  
or call [01326 222170](tel:01326222170)

### Bude Marine Group

A enthusiastic group of local volunteers meet monthly up at the north Widemouth Bay cliff top.

For more information, visit  
<https://budemarinegroup.weebly.com/>

### Casual Sightings

These sightings are just as important as a full survey. If you see a marine animal on your coastal travels, please send in your sightings via ORKS (Online Recording Kernow and Scilly). [www.orks.org.uk](http://www.orks.org.uk)

### Keep up to date with Seaquest Southwest on social media!

Facebook: [www.facebook.com/CWTSeaquestSouthwest](http://www.facebook.com/CWTSeaquestSouthwest)

Instagram: [@Seaquest\\_southwest](https://www.instagram.com/Seaquest_southwest)

Mailchimp: <http://eepurl.com/dxoYZD>

Twitter: [@CWTSeaquestSW](https://twitter.com/CWTSeaquestSW)

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