

2021

Picnic with a Porpoise Public Seaquest Watches

Join the 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 flag or logo-ed 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 17 th January	Polruan NCI Station
Sunday 21 st February	Dodman Point, St Austell
Sunday 21 st March	Pendennis Point, Falmouth
Sunday 18 th April	Rame Head
Sunday 16 th May	Widemouth, Bude
Sunday 20 th June	Towan Head, Newquay
Sunday 18 th July	Lizard NT Watchpoint
Sunday 15 th August	The Rumps, Polzeath
Sunday 19 th September	Porthgwarra, Lands End
Sunday 17 th October	St Agnes NCI
Sunday 21 st November	The Rockpool Café, Mousehole
Sunday 19 th December	St Ives NCI

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.

Saturday 24th April	Time: 9.30am – 4.00pm
Saturday 9th October	Location: CWT Offices
	Cost: £10

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

Seaquest Online Seminars

Planned 2021 lectures include;

- The life of a gannet.
- Recent research on our inshore south coast bottlenose dolphins.
- Summary seminar of 2020 Living Seas sightings.
- Southwest seals.

Seaquest will be continuing the successful online seminars in 2021, which allows us to engage with people from across not only Cornwall, but the south west and beyond.

Seminars will be organised monthly, and advertised via our social media platforms and newsletters;

Facebook: www.facebook.com/CWTSeaquestSouthwest

Instagram: @Seaquest_southwest

Mailchimp: <http://eepurl.com/dx0YZD>

Twitter: @CWTSaquestSW

Seminars cost £3 per person, with all funds raised going directly back into the Seaquest Southwest Project.

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

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.

25th November 2021
Venue TBC
6.00pm – 9.30pm
Doors open at 5.30pm

National Whale and Dolphin Watch 2020

Saturday 24th July – Sunday 1st 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 NWDW Locations

11.00am – 1.00pm

Sat 24 th July	Mayon Cliff, Sennen
Mon 26 th July	St Anthony's, Roseland
Wed 28 th July	Cape Cornwall NCI
Sat 31 st July	Boscastle NCI

Trained Seaquest volunteers and local groups will also be running surveys at their local spots, follow us on Facebook or subscribe to the newsletter to keep up to date.

For more information please contact

seaquest@cornwallwildlifetrust.org.uk

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 spread 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.

If you would like to get more involved with any of our projects or would like to find out more about joining our meetings then please contact

mountsbaymarine@gmail.com

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 Headland** throughout the year and would be delighted to welcome people to join local volunteers to survey marine wildlife from this fantastic look out point.

For more information contact
newquaymarinegroup@gmail.com

St Agnes Marine Conservation Group

The St Agnes Marine Conservation Group is entirely 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 supporting Seaquest Sundays and running a sea watch and survey from the coast path below the **St Agnes Head NCI** station.

For more information contact
contact@st-agnesvmca.org.uk

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 the beautiful **Pendennis Point**. Support this new group by joining locals at this brilliant location looking over the harbour to spot wildlife.

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

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
Three Bays Wildlife Group
Facebook Page [@ThreeBaysWildlife](https://www.facebook.com/ThreeBaysWildlife)

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 there are volunteers at the lookout to give information on wildlife in the area.

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
lizardrangers@nationaltrust.org.uk
or call 01326 291174