

**CETACEANS AND PINNIPEDS (SOUTHERN NORTH SEA AND BEACHES ONLY)**

Nearly all marine mammals observed were recorded during offshore surveys on board vessels. The following cetaceans were recorded:

**Harbour Porpoise *Phocoena phocoena***

16 05 88	1	53°44 N, 00°48 E	near Rough Gas field (CJC)
	2	53°56 N, 00°37 E	near Rough Gas field (CJC)
15 06 88	1	53°43 N, 04°57 E	Terschellingerbank (ML, PW)
20 07 88	1	55°12 N, 02°38 E	N Dogger Bank (RB, PW)
20 07 88	1	55°22 N, 03°36 E	NE Dogger Bank (ML)
21 07 88	1	55°14 N, 02°17 E	N Dogger Bank (ML)

unidentified dolphins

16 05 88	1	55°09 N, 00°31 W	off E England (CJC)
24 07 88	2	no position given	(WK)

White-beaked Dolphin *Lagenorhynchus albirostris*

16 05 88	3	55°11 N, 00°31 W	off E England (CJC)
	4	55°17 N, 00°35 W	off E England (CJC)
	45	55°18 N, 00°36 W	off E England (CJC)
	4	55°24 N, 00°39 W	off E England (CJC)
22 06 88	3	54°53 N, 03°16 W	E Dogger Bank (LWB)
19 07 88	1	55°44 N, 02°04 E	N Dogger Bank (CM)
20 07 88	5	55°10 N, 03°11 E	NE Dogger Bank (ML)
01 08 88	6	55°31 N, 02°24 E	N Dogger Bank (RB)
	20	55°49 N, 02°10 E	N Dogger Bank (RB)
	100	55°49 N, 02°10 E	N Dogger Bank (RB)*

\*mixed herd, including White-beaked and White-sided Dolphin *Lagenorhynchus acutus*

Minke Whale *Balaenoptera acutorostrata*

19 07 88	1	55°44 N, 02°04 E	N Dogger Bank (ML)
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A lethal virus-infection which came from the North (Skagerrak), infected many Common Seals *Phoca vitulina* from the Wadden Sea population. Many dead or dying seals were found in the vicinity of this area. A few were found on the mainland coast of Holland and in the Delta area. For details on observations of floating corpses of seals at sea, see page 94 within this issue.

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