

BSP ACTIVITY REPORT 2023/24

JUNE 2023

BSP AT ISLE OF WIGHT FESTIVAL

BSP LAUNCHES NEW
SHARKLAB WEBSITE



[SHARKLABBSP.WIXSITE.COM](https://sharklabbsp.wixsite.com)

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INTRODUCES NEW PETITION TO BAN TRADE WITH ALL DOLPHIN KILLING NATIONS

THE
SHARK
FIN ACT
IS
PASSED
INTO UK
LAW



Petitions

UK Government
and Parliament

"Stop Finning – Stop the trade"

JULY
2023

SHARK



SNAPSHOT WEEK IN COLLABORATION WITH THE SHARK TRUST

"STOP SHARK FINNING"

"STOP THE GRIND"

Merchandise launched





AUGUST
2023

BSP AT
CHALE
SHOW

5th August

BSP AT
SANDOWN
REGATTA

12th August





PICK UP 8 LIVE ROADSHOW ROUND ISLAND BEACH CLEAN EVENTS

Blue Seas Protection Pick up 8 Campaign

8 beaches in 8 days kicks off this 🐙 Friday at Appley beach!
 come meet the SharkLab Isle of 🐙 Wight. A Citizen Science page by Blue
 Seas Protection crew and help protect our local sealife! 11-2pm!
 full schedule of dates: 🐙

- 12 August Shanklin by rowing club
- 13 August Sandown by pier
- 14 August Ventnor by Spyglass
- 18 August Compton
- 19 August Freshwater
- 20 August Fort Victoria
- 21 August Cowes

All 11-2pm. Email Neeve on pickup8bsp@gmail.com

Sponsored by Sea-Changers



BY THE WIND SAILORS WASHING ASHORE AT WEST WIGHT

BEACH CLEAN IN COLLABORATION WITH
SURFERS AGAINST SEWAGE ISLE OF
WIGHT



SEPTEMBER 2023

GREAT BRITISH BEACH CLEAN IN COLLABORATION WITH SAS IW AND BEMBRIDGE SUSTAINABILITY GROUP



SHARKLAB PICKUP8 AT COMPTON



OCTOBER 2023

MAN O WAR WASH UP ON ISLAND BEACHES

BAG OF



COCAINE WASHES UP AT TOTLAND

EXCLUSIVE The day I found £200,000 of cocaine on an Isle of Wight beach: Dog-walker reveals his shock as he watched scores of drug-filled bundles washed up on the South Coast



Nestling beneath sandstone cliffs dating back 200 million years, the beaches along the Isle of Wight's rugged Jurassic Coast are a magnet for fossil hunters. The lucky ones even find the occasional dinosaur bone. Last Saturday morning, however, while walking her dog along the shore and picking up bits of litter, as is her habit, Kayt Wolfe stumbled across something of considerably more value - in monetary terms, at least. An oblong, black canvas, zip-up bag measuring about 4ft by 3ft, that she first assumed was a cushion, thrown or blown off a passing boat.

BSP COMMENTS ON THE SEAWALL PUBLIC CONSULTATION LAUNCH

“A rather timely launch of the public consultation on the Yaverland and Shanklin Coastal Defence scheme was cancelled at Sandown zoo yesterday due to flooding. There is another public exhibition at the zoo today and tomorrow at the Broadway Centre but basically once you read through the whole thing (goodness knows how much that consultation cost to put together) the basic options we the public have from 1-5 are: to do nothing or to repair the existing wall and raise the height of it. No indication is given of cost or who is to pay for the work but as the finishing date is 2028 I assume it will be high”

MILLION MILE BEACH CLEAN AT SEAVIEW



NOVEMBER 2023

EGGCASE SIGHTING REPORTS START COMING INTO THE SHARKLAB



BSP WINS LOCAL CO OP AWARD

"BLUE SEAS PROTECTION has won the Coop I.O.W. Charity 2023. organisation awards, and have awarded the marine specialist charity with a cheque for £1418.13 this money was raised by donations in store."

CHAIRMAN OF BSP CAPT. GARRY OATES TAKES SOUTHERN WATER TO COURT FOR SEWAGE SPILLAGES IN MCZ



JANUARY 2024

FUN RAISING SWIM EVENT AT SALIX CAFE SHANKLIN



“We are proud to say our SharkLab technician Neeve has been head hunted by the BBC and has been rewarded with a 2 year scholarship with the BBC.

Neeve has shown exceptional skills and enthusiasm with us, trained and qualified as a scuba diver, R.O.V. technician, and underwater film maker, she has been a top and very impressive student, and is now on the world journey of discovery in the underwater world with the BBC.

Neeve is our 1st winner of our very prestigious award the "GOLDEN FLIPPER AWARD."”



SHARK EGGCASE HUNT AT BEMBRIDGE



Results of Bembridge shark egg survey January 2024

Grand total for today's Shark Eggcase Hunt is....

420 thornback

367 spotted

75 Undulates

4 Blonds

3 Small Eyed

145 cat shark

Total: 1014

Hole Punched 2023

2 Undulate

1 Thornback

Total: 3x Hole Punched Eggcases from 2023

FEBRUARY
2024



Beach



Cleans and
Surveys

MARCH
2024



APRIL
2024



EGGCASE HUNT

SEAGRASS HARVESTING WALKS

BEACH CLEANS



Easter Eggcase Hunt results:

1st April 2024
Bembridge Forelands Survey
6 Surveyors
Nv, AD, Jan,
Tracey, Edinburgh, Huxley
Members of Public: 12
Thornback 214
Spotted 144
Undulate 23
Blonde 3
Catshark 28
Total: 412



BSP AT SANDOWN SPRINT



MAY 2024
UNDULATE
RAY
WASHES UP
AT
YAUERLAND





4 SHORTSNOUTED
SEAHORSES
REPORTED WASHED
ASHORE ON IOW

UNDERWATER
FILMING/DIVE
SEASON STARTS AT
SANDOWN MCZ

ROV TEST DRIVING



300
EGGCASES
RELEASED

JUNE 2024

PlastiC Free
Bembridge
LaunChes

BSP AT IOW
FESTIVAL!



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END OF YEAR ACCOUNT SUMMARY FOR BLUE SEAS PROTECTION

As at 30/06/2024

Prepared by Susan Betts (Bookkeeper)

TOTAL OPENING BALANCE	13190.46	
TOTAL INCOME	4443.88	(of which total grants/donations were £4080.07)
TOTAL OUTGOINGS		4814.70
TOTAL CLOSING BALANCE	12819.64	

Signed

Capt. Garry Oates

Cllr Susan Betts

