



# South West Marine Ecosystems Conference 2015

Welcome to the conference and  
PML

*Thanks for all your support*

*Photo: Tom Brereton MARINELife*

# **The Southwest Marine Ecosystems Conferences**

**The objectives** of the meetings include:

- 1. Networking – professionals and volunteers**
- 2. To assess the annual events – ecological and oceanographic  
- of the previous year**
- 3. Ecology of south-west marine ecosystems and species –  
including benthic this year**
- 4. Management and southwest marine ecosystems**

## SWME15

Thanks to PML & Your Envelopes – Receipts, Badges,  
Programme, Events & Observation, Evaluation form  
Bob - Another 3 years ... *passing everything on*

New things: Benthic and intertidal added

Archive for previous presentations – Coastal Futures  
website

Annual report for the preceding year 2014

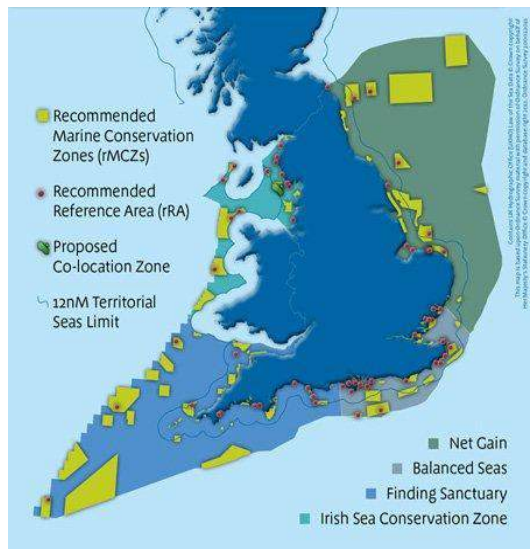
Focus on particular species – this year Porpoises

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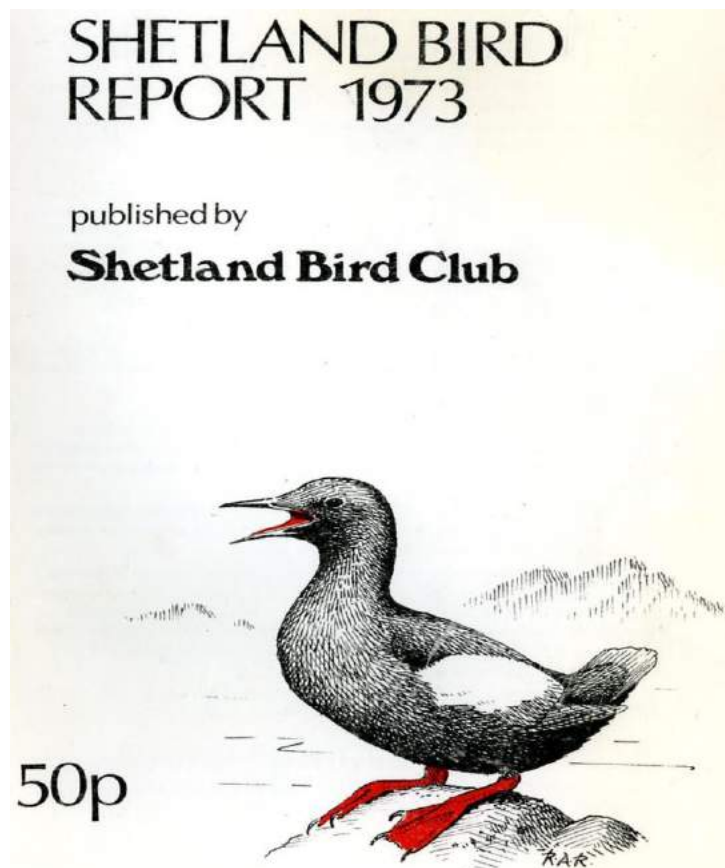


**The links between people – networking – professionals –  
volunteers**

**Events - Observations - Science  
Policy - Management - Conservation**



# Each year is interesting – The story of the year .....2014



**South-west Marine Ecosystems**

**Objective 2 regular part of the programme**

**Inputs from speakers & your collective input**

**This is a device for pulling the information together**

# An Annual Report for 2014 in Practice

It is one of the objectives of the meeting .... And been a regular part of past meetings [see page 3 -4 of the delegate notes

Input from speakers – and you – last year 250+ records on the Excel file – in the categories – the report simply pulls this together

The Categories Weather - Oceanography (including plankton) – benthos – fish – birds – seals – cetaceans – Management issues

The process designed to spread the load and minimise the burden on any one person – **Keith Hiscock** has agreed to be the overall editor in 2014

2 pages per category – signposting to other – Headlines and links highlighting key points – only electronic ..... Not precluding other publications - Archived

Process – time lmed and clear The first part to set up editorial groups for each category – today – evaluation form ....

## Events – Observations in 2013 – last year

**Objective 2.** *To assess the annual events – ecological and oceanographic - of the previous year that have affected the south west marine ecosystems ... ‘*

**What stood out for you last year?** Please use the following **categories** at the start of what you write: Weather - Oceanography (including plankton) – benthos – fish – birds – seals – cetaceans – Management issues

The winter 2013/14 storms

We will ask you to leave these behind after the event and we will collate the responses and return these to you.

Your Name \_\_\_\_\_

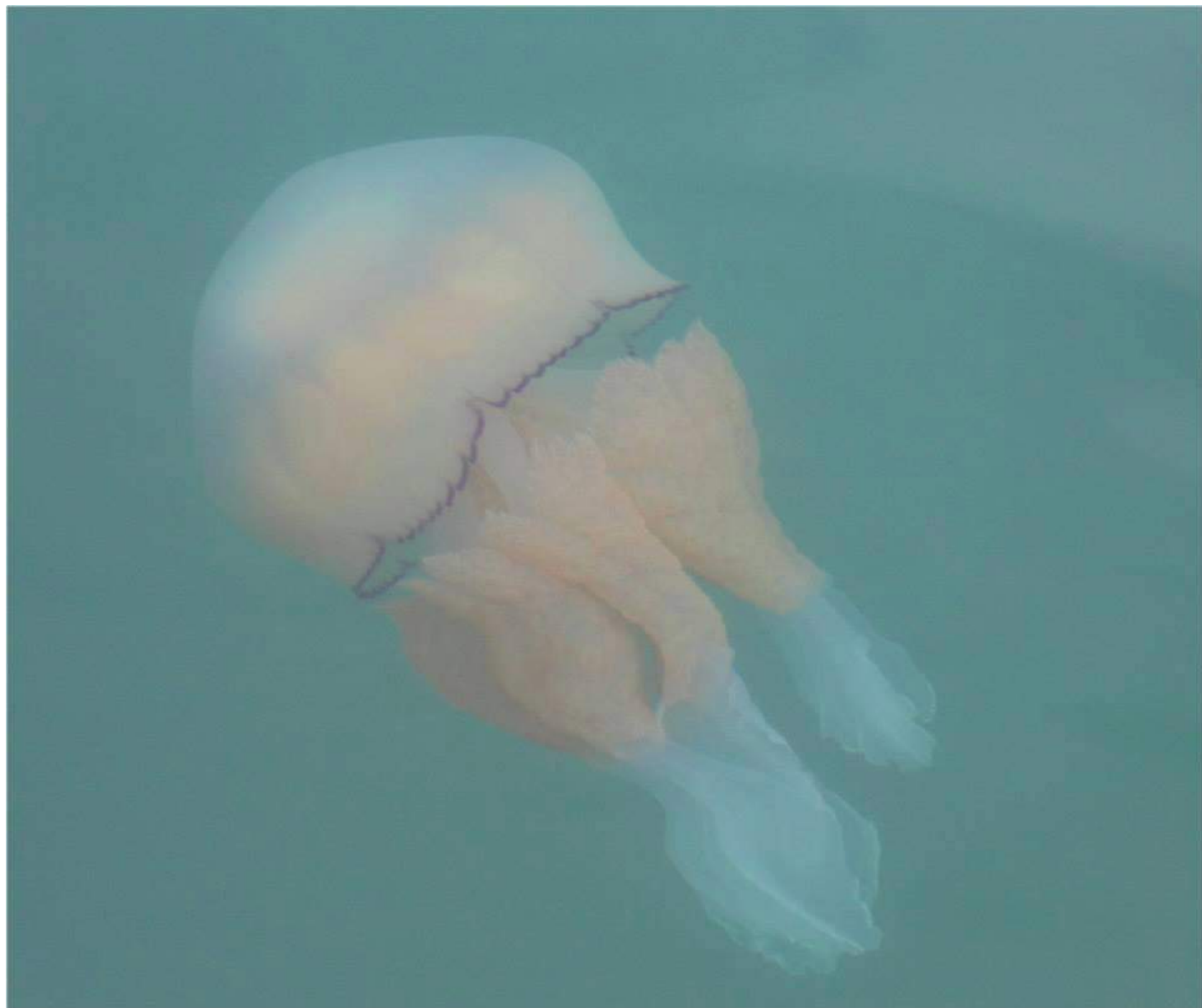
Category \_\_\_\_\_ Observation \_\_\_\_\_

**Objective 1. Networking** ..... Discuss this with to someone ***you don't know***



Photo: Mike Newman







# FINAL SLIDE

- Evaluation - Key lessons your comments helpful
- EVENTS form
- Outputs: Key points via email Alert
- PowerPoint presentations on the CMS server
- Valuables / Take things with you – including leaflets
- Refreshments – outside
- Thank you to the speakers, chairmen, sponsors and all of you
- Feedback forms & Events forms

Grey seal – feeding at the surface with a large conger eel



**The effects of this winters storms .....**



**Photo : Dave Jenkins**