

## AQUA STAR - PELAGIC BIRD COUNT SUMMARY

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Aqua Star - Pelagic Bird Count Summary**LIBRARY COPY**

The Aqua Star was at sea for a total of eleven days, during the period of Jan. 23 to Feb. 4, 1978. For the most part, we were located over the Continental Slope (42 52' N, 61 53' W) about 120 nautical miles south-east of Halifax.

The ship was engaged in intensive benthic mapping, prior to the installation of a Chevron drilling rig next month. The work did not involve the use of explosives or other methods that would seemingly alter bird behaviour.

Black Legged Kittiwakes were the most common bird on the slope, often reaching aggregates of 1000. Juvenile Kittiwakes represented only 3% of the total present, indicating the possibility of higher concentrations elsewhere.

Auk counts were never high, although small Dovekie flocks were generally present. These seemed most common over the slope, but this should be checked with the raw data. There were lesser numbers of Thick-Billed Murres and a few Puffins, also mainly in the slope region.

Fulmars were commonly present after about 50 miles from land. Light to dark phases were well represented as a gradient, with a few birds being almost black. The ratio of light to dark birds was approximately 6:1 .

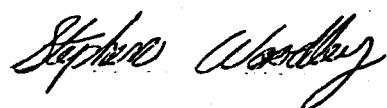
Great Black Back Gulls were constantly with the ship in numbers that fluxuated as high as 40. Over 1/3 of these were immature birds.

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Herring Gulls were rarely seen at a distance from land and Lelandic  
and Glaucous Gulls were only seen close to land.

Occasional sightings included a Ganett, a Skua and a few Wilsons  
Petrels.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive ink, appearing to read "Stephen A. Wadley".

Aqua Star Pelagic Bird Count - Species list

- (1) Black Legged Kittiwake
- (2) Great Black Back Gull
- (3) Northern Fulmar - light and dark phase
- (4) Herring Gull
- (5) Icelandic Gull
- (6) Glaucous Gull
- (7) Gannet
- (8) Dovekie
- (9) Thick Billed Murre
- (10) Atlantic Puffin
- (11) Wilsons Petrel
- (12) Skua

- this list is for birds seen at least 10 miles from land.

Whale Sightings - Aqua Star

Feb. 1978

Jan. 25, 1978 - 42 52' N 61 53' W

- tentative I.D. Saddleback Dolphin
- attracted by seismic activity

Jan. 26, 1978 - 42 54' N 61 49' W

- 3 Saddleback Dolphins

Jan. 26, 1978-- 42 54' N 61 48' W

- 4 black dolphins - unidentified
- approx. 10 feet, stubby headed
- travelling north-west

Jan. 30, 1978 - 13 black dolphins - unidentified

- approx. 12 feet, stubby headed
- seemed entirely black
- 3 saddleback dolphins
- appeared as soon as seismic gear was turned on
- headed south-west

Feb. 2, 1978- 3 dolphins - unidentified

- approx. 6 feet, black on top
- jumped clear of water but visibility was poor.

Aqua Star Pelagic Bird Count

Jan. 24, 1978

Recording notes:

Observation time- from satellite time (G.M.T.)

Position- from satellite - constantly updated and very accurate.

Angle of View- degree and direction as per ship. ie.- 180 degrees starboard.

Direction- in degrees from ships navigation.

ship- Aqua Star

company - Fairfield Aquatronics  
111 Windmill Road  
Sunbury-on-Thames  
Middlesex, England  
89892

work- seismic survey

area- lat.  $42^{\circ}N$  lon.  $63^{\circ}W$  south-west of Sable Island

observer- Stephen Woodley  
P.O. Box 757  
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Aqua Star- Log of Voyage

Jan. 23--- depart Halifax 8:00 PM to test navigation equipment  
- no birding done

Jan. 24--- initially returned to Halifax to drop off personnel  
- birding slow except for usual winter gulls  
- a few Kittiwakes present and some small flocks of Dovekies (1-4)  
- weather overcast, snow flurries, temp. 6°C, winds light.

Jan. 25--- woke this morning at seismic site  
- weather scattered clouds, light winds, temp. 12°C  
- ship stationary most of day while working on equipment  
- large concentrations of Kittiwakes present (up to 1000) that moved in and out of ship area all day, often forming large flocks on the water  
- only 3 % of Kittiwakes are juveniles as determined on two counts of 100 birds  
- Great Black Back Gulls in significant numbers and often associated with the Kittiwakes  
- Fulmars showed a ratio of 6 : / , light to dark phase.  
- Dovekies present in small numbers and in small groups.

Jan. 26--- at 8:30 began to return to Halifax because of faulty equipment and impending storm  
-this is the second Halifax to job site transect  
- weather foggy, rain, temp. 10°C, winds light in the morning developing into force 9 gale by 6:00 PM with heavy seas.  
- Dovekies present in small numbers and in small groups.  
- one only Brunnich Murre sighted  
- Fulmars common around ship

Jan. 27--- put out of Halifax at 8:00 PM into rain and heavy seas.  
- no birding done

Jan. 28--- upon waking we were to Halifax as heavy seas last night had broken antennae.

Jan. 28 (cont.) - weather overcast, 40 knot winds, and fog, temp. 6°C.  
seas very heavy up 7 meters made birding very difficult  
- few sightings in limited visibility  
- arrive Halifax in late afternoon

Jan. 29 --- depart Halifax at 6:00 AM  
- weather cool (1°C), scattered clouds, to overcast, with moderate winds and snow flurries.  
- encountered larger Dovekie flocks (up to 20) around lat. 44°25' N 63°17' W  
- Dovekies all headed southerly into the wind and remained distant from the ship.  
- sighted Wilsons Petrel (1), [REDACTED] and Atlantic Puffin (1)  
- Kittiwakes generally present  
- this is the third Halifax to job site transect

Jan. 30 --- steamed back to Halifax for most of morning to pick up satellite transmission. Then back to job site and began seismic work.  
- weather scattered clouds, light winds, temp. 8 C  
- some large Dovekie flocks around lat. 43°20' N, 62°24' W (up to 50). They seemed to be feeding at upwellings as we are now over the continental slope.  
- also noted concentrations of up to 50 Great Black Back Gulls - mixture of adults and juveniles  
- again encountered large Kittiwake flocks (100- 150) at lat. 42°54' N 61°58' W  
- Murres sighted but they are wary and speciation is difficult  
- one solitary adult Gannet sighted

Jan. 31--- ship cruised job site all day doing seismic runs

- weather overcast to scattered cloud, light south-west winds, temp. improving to 10°C in mid afternoon.
- seismic activity may have cleared the auks out of the area as very few were sighted- there was one flock of 15 Dovekies
- Kittiwakes were very common and in large numbers (200)

Feb. 1--- ship cruised job site all day doing seismic runs.

- weather overcast to scattered cloud, with snow flurries in the morning, light to moderate north-west winds brought cool temp. (-2 to 8°C)
- Fulmars common all day- at one time grouping to 25. The light to dark phases are very evident as a colour gradient and it is often difficult to label individuals.
- some flocks of Dovekies (up to 20) were sighted and there were a few scattered Murres. The Murres generally flush far from the ship and it is difficult to speciate at a distance. Thick Billed Murre is definitely present but I have no positive I.D. for the Common Murre.
- Kittiwakes again a very common bird, always present and reaching aggregates of 600. They were seen feeding on several occasions in tight groups, but the food source was not determined. The Captain suggested it may be herring fry..
- significant numbers ( approx. 30) of Great Black Back Gulls both adults and immatures were never far from ship.

Feb. 2--- ship generally stationary today doing bottom sampling.

- weather overcast, 20-25 knot north-west winds brought temp. of -3 to +3. Snow flurries often impaired visibility.
- birding painfully slow today with general complement of Fulmars, Kittiwakes, and Black Backed Gulls - few Dovekies.
- of interest is the evening grouping of Kittiwakes. Birds gather from all directions and settle on water near ship. This total is often the daily high count of Kittiwakes.
- Began color coding the Fulmars today according to the L1, L2, D1, D2 classification.

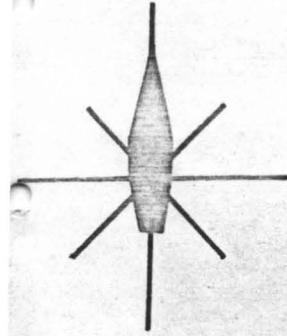
Feb. 3, 1978 --- Ship stationary most of day except for ~~early~~ early morning seismic runs.

- Birding quite unproductive when stationary, but Auks were encountered as soon as we moved out of the immediate working location. Dovekie flocks are generally small (less than 8) but very tight. There may be a looser social arrangement between these small flocks as several are usually found in one location.
- The night flight of Kittiwakes was again repeated with numbers reaching 500.

Feb. 4, 1978 --- Ship stationary for the morning : began to cruise to Halifax at 12:00 noon.

- Weather overcast, snow, freezing spray, temp. -6 C
- Made an Auks only transect up the Continental Slope. Here were the greatest numbers of Dovekies and Murres.
- Still no positive I.D. for Common Murre.

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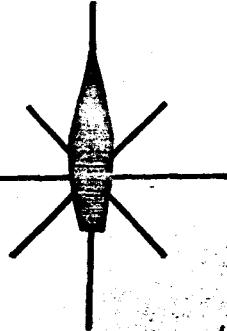
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Ship : Aqua Star  
Obs : Steve Whalley  
Age :

Observation period: 12:10 GMT to 12:30 GMT  
Position or Decca 44°26'N 63°10'W  
Type of watch all Reliability good  
Visibility good Weather overcast, 6°C, light winds  
State of Sea gentle swell Ship Speed 10 knots  
Direction 140° Activity cruising to Halifax  
Angle of view 180° Height 20'  
port

TIME	SPECIES	AGE	PL	ASS	NUMBER	MOV.	REMARKS, (behaviour, sex....)
12:10	HG	2nd yr			2	var.	following ship
	BL KW	Ad			1	?	low over water
	HG	Ad			1	var	following ship
12:20	HG	1st yr			2	var.	following ship - garbage
"	"	2nd yr			1	var.	"
"	"	Ad			2	var.	"
	GBBG	Ad			1	var.	"
12:30							<u>45°20'N 63°45'W</u>



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Observation period: 1650 GMT to 1720 GMT

Position or Decca 44° 24' N 63° 04' W

Type of watch all Reliability good

Visibility good Weather overcast, light winds 5°C

State of Sea light swell Ship Speed 11 knots

Direction S.E. Activity cruising to job site

Angle of view 180° Height 20' port

no ice

Date : Jan. 24/78

Ship : *Aqua Star*

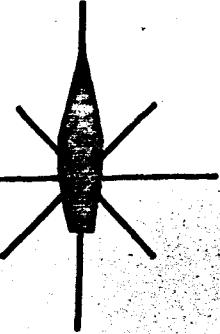
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TIME	SPECIES	AGE	PL	ASS	NUMBER	MOV.	REMARKS, (behaviour, sex....)
1650	HG	Ad			2	var.	following ship
	GBBG	1st yr			1	var.	"
"	Ad				1	var.	"
1700	GBBG	Ad			3	var.	"
"	2nd yr				1	var	"
1710	HG	Ad			2	var	"
"	1st yr?				1	var.	" (ship to 1/2 speed)
1720	GBBG	Ad			4	var.	following ship
"	1st yr				3	var.	"
"	2nd yr				2	var.	"
1710	HG	Ad			4	var.	"
"	1st yr				2	var.	"
"	2nd yr				1	var	"
	Glaucous Gull	Ad			2	var.	"
1720							44° 24' N 63° 57' W



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Date : Jan. 24/79  
 Ship : Aqua Star  
 Obs : Steve Bradley  
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Observation period: 18:30 GMT to 19:00 GMT

Position or Decca 44° 23' N 62° 46' W

Type of watch all Reliability good

Visibility fair Weather overcast, snow, light winds

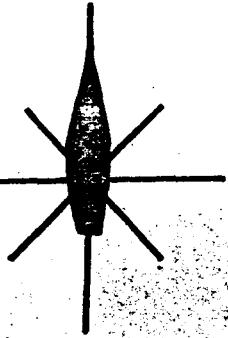
State of Sea 2m swell Ship Speed 10.5 knots

Direction 145° Activity Cruise to job site

Angle of view 180° Height 20'  
starboard

TIME	SPECIES	AGE	PL	ASS	NUMBER	MOV.	REMARKS, (behaviour, sex....)
18:30	Icelandic Gull	Ad			2	var.	following ship
	HG	Ad			1	var.	"
	GBBG	Ad			3	var.	"
	"	2nd yr			2	var.	"
18:40	Icelandic Gull	Ad			1	var.	"
	GBBG	Ad			4	var.	"
18:50	Icelandic Gull	Ad			1	var	"
	HG	Ad			1	var.	"
	GBBG	Ad			4	var.	"
	GBBG	2nd yr			1	var.-	"
19:00							<u>44° 22' N</u> <u>62° 44' W</u>
							<u>Note : 19:08 GMT</u>
							<u>Adult Kittiwake</u>

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 Ship : Aqua Star  
 Obs : Stephen Bodley  
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Observation period: 19:30 GMT to 20:00 GMT

Position or Decca 44° 20' W 63° 40' W

Type of watch all Reliability good

Visibility fair Weather overcast, s.w. wind 1kt

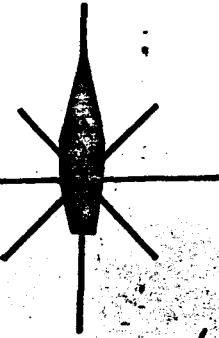
State of Sea 1-2m swell Ship Speed 11 knots

Direction 140° Activity cruising to job site

Angle of view 180° Height 20 ft  
perp

TIME	SPECIES	AGE	PL	ASS	NUMBER	MOV.	REMARKS, (behaviour, sex....)
19:30	BLK W	Ad			3	var.	around ship
	Wilson's Petrel				1	var.	flitting over surface
	Islandic Gull	Ad			1	var.	around ship
	GBBG	Ad			3	var.	" , soaring
	"	1st yr			1	var.	"
	"	2nd yr			1	var.	"
19:40	BLK W	Ad			4	var	"
	GBBG	Ad			5	var.	"
	"	2nd yr			2	var.	"
19:50	Islandic Gull	Ad			1	var.	"
	GBBG	Ad			2	var. <del>east</del>	flew ahead of ship
	Dovekie				2	east	Flew ahead of ship
20:00							44° 16' N 63° 01' W

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Date : Jan. 24/78  
Ship : Aqua Star  
Obs : Steve Wodsky  
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Observation period: 20:30 GMT to 21:00 GMT

Position or Decca 44°10'N 63°00'W

Type of watch all Reliability good

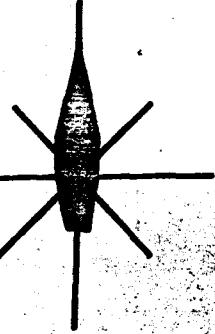
**Visibility** fair Weather overcast, moderate SE wind

State of Sea 1-2m swell Ship Speed 11 knots

Direction 140° Activity Cruising to job site

Angle of view 180° Height 20'  
forward

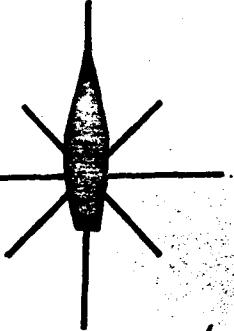
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Observation period: 12:00 GMT to 12:30 GMTPosition or Decca 42°51'N 61°53'WType of watch all Reliability goodVisibility fair Weather overcast; light SW windsState of Sea gentle swell Ship Speed 0 knotsDirection N.A. Activity stationary - equipment repairAngle of view 360° Height 20'  
walk around ship

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TIME	SPECIES	AGE	PL	ASS	NUMBER	MOV.	REMARKS, (behaviour, sex....)
12:00	Fulmar	L			18±4	var.	around ship - low on water
"	"	D			2	var.	"
	BLK/W	Ad.			10±2	var.	"
	GBBG	Ad			6	var.	"
12:10	Fulmar	L			20±5	var.	"
"	"	D			5±1	var.	"
	BLK/W	Ad			14±2	var	no immatures sighted!
	GBBG	Ad			5±1	var	around ship - flying
	"	im			2	var.	"
12:20	Fulmar	D			5±1	var.	ships garbage just tossed overboard - big confusion
"	"	L			25±5	var.	
	BLK/W	Ad?			50±8	var.	
	GBBG	Ad			8±1	var	
"	Skua	im			2	var	just wandered by heading east

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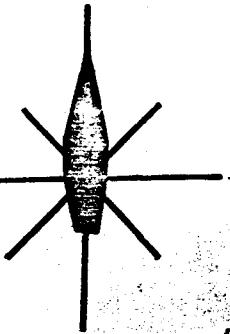
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 Ship : Aqua Star  
 Obs : Steve Bradley  
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Observation period: 1300 various intervals  
1500 GMT to 1500 GMT  
 Position or Decca 42°52'N 61°53'W  
 Type of watch all Reliability good  
 Visibility good Weather hazy; light winds,  
 State of Sea mild Ship Speed 0  
 Direction NA Activity stationary; equipment repair  
 Angle of view 360° Height 20'  
 walk around  
 ship

TIME	SPECIES	AGE	PL	ASS	NUMBER	MOV.	REMARKS, (behaviour, sex....)
1300	BLKW	Ad?			200±25	still	in large flock off ship on water
1310	GBBG	2nd yr			2	still	with Kittiwakes.
1330	BLKW	im Ad			210±30	var.	around ship - flying and maneuvering (3% juv. like)
1340	Fulmars	L			35±6	var	around ship - low over water
	"	D			5	var.	"
	GBBG	Ad			4	var.	"
1400	BLKW				320±40	still	several large flocks on water
1410	GBBG	Ad			4	var.	flying around ship
	"	2nd yr			3	var.	"
	Fulmar	L			10±2	var.	"
	"	D			2	var.	"
1500	BLKW	Ad			290±30	var. still	in large flocks in water and flying
to 1510	"	im			3	var.	flying around ship
	Fulmar	L			2	var.	"
	"	D			2	var.	"
	GBBG	Ad			5	var	"
	GBBG	2nd yr			3	still	"
	Islandic Gull	Ad			1	var.	"



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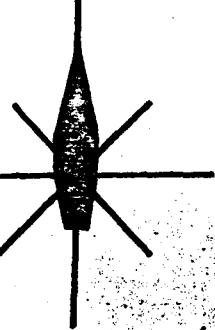
Observation period: 1640 various intervals GMT to 1750 GMT  
Position or Decca 42° 51' N 61° 54' W  
Type of watch all Reliability good  
Visibility excellent Weather sunny, 12°C, light winds  
State of Sea mild swell Ship Speed 0  
Direction NA Activity stationary; equipment repair  
Angle of view 360° Height 20'  
walk around ship

TIME	SPECIES	AGE	PL	ASS	NUMBER	MOV.	REMARKS, (behaviour, sex....)
1640	BLKW	Ad!			120±20	still <sup>and</sup> var.	most on water
to 1650	GBBG	Ad			10±2	still	on water
1650	BLKW	Ad!			300±40	still	on water, far off ship
to 1700	GBBG	Ad			10±2	still	"
	"	ad yr			6	still	"
	Fulmars	Ad L			4	var.	sometimes with GBBG
1720	Fulmars	L			5	var.	around ship
to 1730	GBBG	Ad			10	still	on water
	"	im			4	still	"
	BLKW	Ad!			310±40	still	on water, large flock; probably same birds as earlier although there is constant migration and immigration
1740	BLKW	Ad!			300±40	var.	cohesive flying pattern
to 1750	"	im			4	"	around ship
	GBBG	Ad			8	"	"
	"	im			4	"	"
	Fulmars	L			6	var	around ship





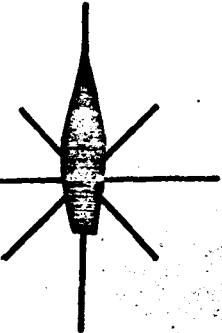
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Observation period: 19:00 GMT to 19:20 GMTPosition or Decca 42° 43' N 61° 48' WType of watch all Reliability goodVisibility excellent Weather <sup>12°C</sup> warm, light winds clearState of Sea mild swell Ship Speed 5.5 KnotsDirection 251° Activity dragging seismic linesAngle of view 180° Height 20'  
port

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 Obs : Stephen Woolley  
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TIME	SPECIES	AGE	PL	ASS	NUMBER	MOV.	REMARKS, (behaviour, sex....)
1900	BLKW	im			3	var.	flying around ship
	"	Ad			100±10	var.	<del>100</del> "
	Fulmar	L			5	var.	"
	GBBG	Ad			5	var.	"
1910	BLKW	Ad			19±2	var.	
	GBBG	Ad			6	"	}) chasing buoy on end of seismic line
	"	<sup>2nd</sup> yr			2	"	
	Fulmar	L			2	"	
1920							<u>42° 53' N 61° 49' W</u>

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 Obs : Stephen Woddy  
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Observation period: 19:50 GMT to 20:20 GMT

Position or Decca 42°52'N 61°50'W

Type of watch all Reliability good

Visibility fair Weather overcast, 10°C, light SW winds

State of Sea mild swell Ship Speed 4 knots

Direction 251° Activity dragging seismic lines

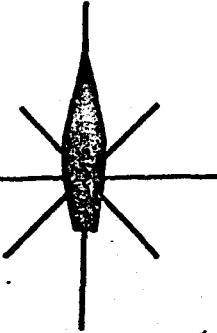
Angle of view 180° Height 20'  
 starboard

TIME	SPECIES	AGE	PL	ASS	NUMBER	MOV.	REMARKS, (behaviour, sex....)
19:50	Fulmar	L			4	var.	cruising around ship
"	"	D			1	var.	"
	BLKW	Ad			8	var.	"
							note - large group of kittiwakes chasing seismic buoy - too far away to count.
20:00	BLKW	Ad			65±10	var.	around ship
	GBBG	1d			5	"	"
"	"	1m			3	"	"
	Fulmar	L			3	"	"
20:10	BLKW	Ad +im			400±50	food source?	seem to be feeding in large flock
	Fulmar	Ad	L		1	var.	around ship
	GBBG	2nd yr			1	feeding	with kittiwakes
20:20							42° 52'N 61° 53'W





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Obs : Stem Woodley  
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Observation period: 12:30 GMT to 13:30 GMT

Position or Decca  $42^{\circ}55'N$   $61^{\circ}48'W$

Type of watch all Reliability good

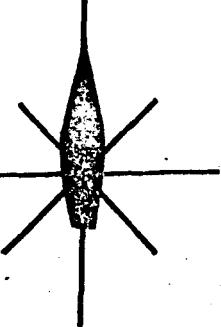
Visibility 500 meters Weather fog, rain, 8°C light winds

State of Sea 1-2m swell Ship Speed 19 knots

Direction 324° Activity stationary; then return to Hilifar

Angle of view 180° Height 20'  
port

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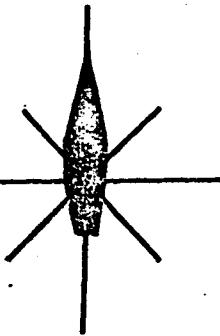
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 Ship : Aqua Star  
 Obs : Steve Whalley  
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Observation period: 13:10 GMT to 13:40 GMT  
 Position or Decca 42° 59' N 61° 52' W  
 Type of watch all Reliability good  
 Visibility 500 m Weather fog, rain, 8°C, light winds  
 State of Sea mild swell Ship Speed 11 knots  
 Direction 323° Activity return to Halifax  
 Angle of view 180° Height 20'  
port

TIME	SPECIES	AGE	PL	ASS	NUMBER	MOV.	REMARKS, (behaviour, sex....)
13:10	Dovekie		W		6	300°	very timid; flushed in front of ship
	GBBG	Ad			2	var.	flying around ship
	"	2nd yr			2	var.	"
	BLKW	Ad			4	"	"
	"	im			1	"	"
13:20	Dovekie	?			2	dove	- seemed to be summer plumage
	GBBG	Ad			2		soaring
	"	2nd yr			1		around ship
	BLKW	Ad			5		"
							43° 02' N 61° 55' W
13:30	BLKW	Ad			6	var.	around ship
	GBBG	Ad			2	"	"
	"	2nd yr			2	"	"
13:40							43° 03' N 61° 56' W



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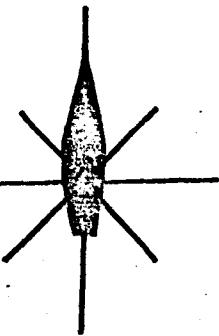
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Observation period: 14:40 GMT to 15:30 GMTPosition or Decca 43° 12' N 62° 05' WType of watch all Reliability goodVisibility 5m m Weather min, fog, light wind, 10°CState of Sea well swell Ship Speed 11 knotsDirection 223° Activity return to HalifaxAngle of view 180° Height 70'  
 forward

TIME	SPECIES	AGE	PL	ASS	NUMBER	MOV.	REMARKS, (behaviour, sex....)
14:40	Dovekie				7	S.W.	groups of 1,6
	BLKW	Ad			4	var	flying
							<u>43° 13' N 62° 07' W</u>
14:50	Fulmar	L			2	var	low over water
	HG	Ad			1	"	flying around ship
	BLKW	Ad			1	"	"
							<u>43° 15' N 62° 09' W</u>
15:00	HG	Ad			1	still	on water
							<u>43° 16' N 62° 10' W</u>
15:10	HG	Ad			1	var	flying   visibility reduced to 10m
							<u>43° 17' N 62° 11' W</u>
15:20	HG	Ad			1	var	flying
	BLKW	Ad			2	var	" - fog bank
							<u>43° 18' N 62° 12' W</u>



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Date : Jan 26  
 Ship : Agria Star  
 Obs : Steve Whitley  
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Observation period: 17:00 GMT to 18:00 GMT

Position or Decca 43°30'N 62°25'W

Type of watch all Reliability good

Visibility 100 m Weather fog, rain, 40k winds, 10°C

State of Sea 3-5 m Ship Speed 10 knots

Direction 220° Activity return to Halifax

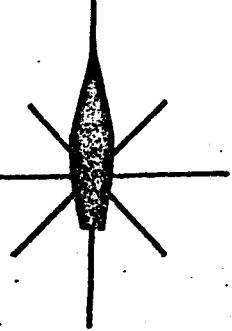
Angle of view 180° Height 20'  
 forward

TIME	SPECIES	AGE	PL	ASS	NUMBER	MOV.	REMARKS, (behaviour, sex....)
17:00	nil						poor visibility 43°31'N 62°26'W
17:10	Dovekie			6	west	groups of 4, 2	43°32'N 62°27'W
17:30	Fulmar	L		3	var	flying	43°33'N 62°29'W
17:30	Dovekie			8	west	flushed away from ship	
	BLK W Ad			4	var	flying around ship	43°35'N 62°30'W
17:40	Dovekie			3	west	Flew off astern	
	BLK W Ad			1	var	flying	43°36'N 62°32'W
17:50	Dovekie			1	S.W.	off water in front of ship	
	Fulmar	L		2	var.	flying	43°37'N 62°33'W





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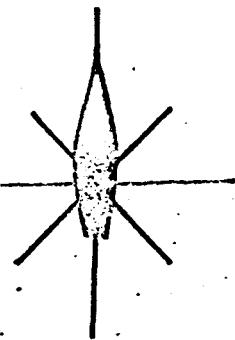


Date : Jan. 28  
 Ship : Afghan Star  
 Obs : S. Woodley  
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Observation period: 14:00 GMT to 14:50 GMT  
 Position or Decca 43° 46' N 62° 41' W  
 Type of watch all Reliability good  
 Visibility 300m Weather overcast, 40 km wind, snow  
 State of Sea heavy 7-9 m Ship Speed 10.5 k  
 Direction forward Activity Halifax to jobsite  
 Angle of view 180° Height 20'

TIME	SPECIES	AGE	PL	ASS	NUMBER	MOV.	REMARKS, (behaviour, sex....)
14:00	HG	Ad			6	var	flying in high seas
	GRBG	Ad			1	var	"
	Fulmar	L2			1	"	"
	BLKW	Ad			1	"	"
14:10	Dovekie				1	west	off water, front of ship
	GODG	im			1	var	flying around ship
	HG	Ad			4	var	"
							43° 52' N 62° 50' W
14:20	Dovekie				3	var?	away from ship
	HG	Ad			4	var	flying around ship
	BLKW	im			1	var	"
14:40	Dovekie				3	SW	off water, ahead of ship
	HG	Ad			6	var	flying around ship
	"	im			1	var	"

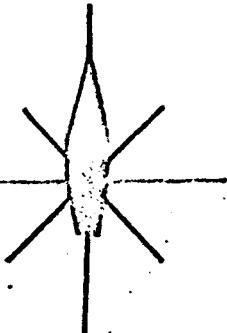
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Observation period: 16:50 GMT to 17:20 GMTPosition or Decca 41° 11' N 63° 10' WType of watch all Reliability goodVisibility good Weather scattered cloud, 5°C, heavy windsState of Sea 7-8 meters Ship Speed 10 knotsDirection 321° Activity return to HalifaxAngle of view 180° Height 20'  
forward

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 Ship : Aqua Star  
 Obs : Steve Woolley  
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TIME	SPECIES	AGE	PL	ASS	NUMBER	MOV.	REMARKS, (behaviour, sex....)
16:50	Fulmar	L			1	var	flying
	Dovekie				1	west	off water in front of ship
17:00	Fulmar	L			4	var	flying
	Dovekie				3	S.W.	low over water
17:10	BLK W	Ad			4	var.	flying around ship
	GBBG	<sup>2nd</sup> yr			1	var	"
	HG	Ad			1	var.	"
	Dovekie				1	south west	away from ship
							<u>44° 14' N</u> <u>63° 14.5' W</u>

PIROP



Observation period: 12:50 GMT to 14:00 GMT

Position or Decca  $42^{\circ}25'N$   $63^{\circ}22'W$

Type of watch all Reliability good

Visibility good - <sup>sun</sup> glare. Weather 1°C, overcast, snow & wind.

State of Sea mild Ship Speed 5 knots

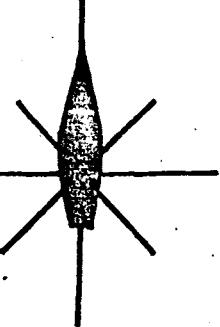
Direction  $110^{\circ}$  Activity Halifax to job sites

Angle of view  $180^\circ$  Height  $30'$

forward

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Ship : Aqua Star  
Obs : Steve Abodley  
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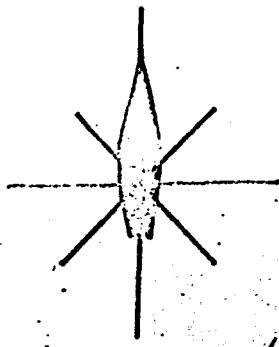
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Date : Jan 29  
Ship : Aqua Star  
Obs : Steve Windley  
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Observation period: 14:10 GMT to 14:50 GMT  
Position or Decca 44° 18' N 63° 09' W  
Type of watch all Reliability good  
Visibility good fair Weather winds 25k, 1°C, snow  
State of Sea 1-2m swell Ship Speed 10.5 knots  
Direction Activity cruise to job site  
Angle of view 180° Height 25'  
port

PIROP



Date : Jan. 29/78  
Ship : Aqua Star  
Obs : Steve Woodley  
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Observation period: 15:10 GMT to 15:50 GMT

Position or Decca  $44^{\circ}09'N$   $62^{\circ}02'W$

Type of watch all Reliability good

Visibility all good Weather overcast, 1°C, sw winds

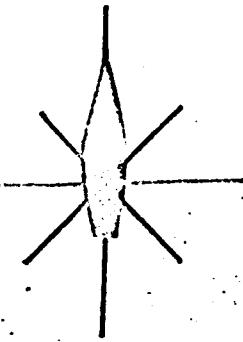
State of Sea 1-3 m Ship Speed 10 knot

Direction 149° Activity Halifax to job site

Angle of view 180° Height 20'

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Observation period: 16:40 GMT to 17:20 GMT

Position or Decca 43° 56' N 62° 52' W

Type of watch all Reliability good

Visibility good Weather 5°C, scattered cloud 15 km winds

State of Sea 1-3 m Ship Speed 10.5 knots

Direction 148° Activity Halifax to job site

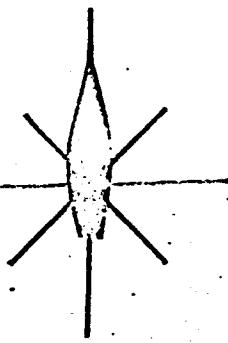
Angle of view 180° Height 29' port

Date : Jan 29  
 Ship : Aqua Star  
 Obs : Steve Woodley  
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TIME	SPECIES	AGE	PL	ASS	NUMBER	MOV.	REMARKS, (behaviour, sex....)
16:40	BLKW	Ad			12	var.	flying around ship
"		im			2	var	"
	Puffin				1	south	flushed off water
	Dovekie				5	S.W.	" , 1 group
16:50	HG				1	var	flying
Dovekie					9	south	groups of 5, 4
BLKW	Ad				11	var	flying
"	im				2	var	"
17:00	Dovekie				19±2	SSS	groups of 10, 5, 4
Murre sp.					1	S	
Fulmar		1			1	N.W.	- seem to be drawing dovekies
BLKW					8	var	ahead of ship and they may be counted twice
GBBG	Ad				2	"	
"	2nd yr					"	
17:10	Dovekie				15	S.W.	flushed by ship
BLKW	Ad				12	var	flying
GBBG	Ad				5	"	"
Fulmar		1			2	"	"



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Observation period: 18:30 GMT to 19:10 GMT

Position or Decca 43° 40' N 62° 38' W

Type of watch all Reliability good

Visibility good Weather 1°C, scattered cloud, light, SW wind

State of sea mild Ship Speed 11 knots

Direction 149° Activity Halifax to job site

Angle of view 180° Height 29' forward

Date: Jan 29/78

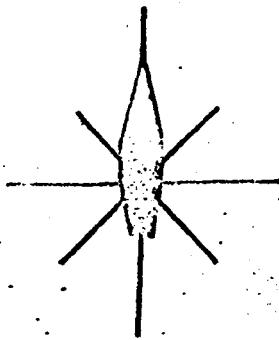
Ship: Aqua Star

Obs: Steve Bradley

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TIME	SPECIES	AGE	PL	ASS	NUMBER	MOV.	REMARKS, (behaviour, sex....)
18:30	Dovekie				14	south	flushed by ship
	BLKW	Ad			6	var	flying
	GIBBG	Ad			2	var	"
	Fulmar	L2			2	"	
							43° 38' N 62° 36' W
18:40	Dovekie				11	south	flushed by ship
	Thick-billed Murre				1	SE	"
	BLKW	Ad			7	var	flying around ship
	"	im			1	var	"
							43° 31' N 62° 35' W
18:50	BLKW	Ad			9	var	around ship
	Puffin				2	south	one dove, one flew
	Dovekie				14	south	flushed by ship
	GIBBG	Ad 2nd yr			7	var	
	H.G.	Ad			3	var	
	Murre sp				2	var	
					1	dove	
19:00	Dovekie				11	SW	group of 3 dove; group of 5, 3, flew
	BLKW	Ad im			6	var	flying
	Puffin				2	north	
	Murre sp				2	S.E.	flushed by ship
							42° 33' N 62° 32' W

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Observation period: 19:40 <sup>intermittent</sup> GMT to 20:50 GMT

Position or Decca  $43^{\circ}28'N$   $62^{\circ}28'W$

Type of watch all Reliability good

Visibility good Weather 1/2 scattered cloud, light rain mixed

State of Sea mild Ship Speed 10.5 k

Date : Jan 29/18.

Ship : Aqua Star

Obs : Steve Woodley

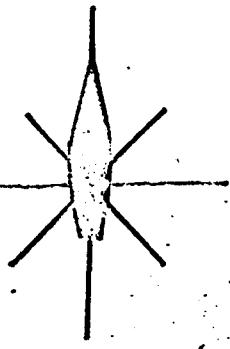
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Direction \_\_\_\_\_ Activity Half way to job site

Angle of view  $180^\circ$  Height  $20'$

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Observation period: 20:00 GMT to 21:00 GMT

Position or Decca  $43^{\circ}24'N$   $62^{\circ}25'W$

Type of watch all Reliability good

Visibility good Weather 1°C, snowy overcast

State of Sea mild Ship Speed 11 k

Disposition 432-1411-1-1

Direction 144° Activity Halfway to job site

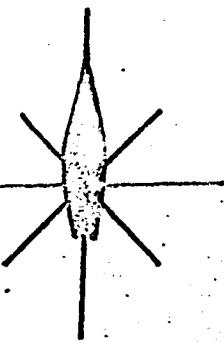
Angle of view 180° Height 20'

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TIME	SPECIES	AGE	PL	ASS	NUMBER	MOV.	REMARKS, (behaviour, sex....)
20:10	BLKW	Ad			8	var	flying
	Fulmar		L <sub>2</sub>		1	var	"
	Dovekie				3	south	flushed off water
	BLKW	im			2	var	flying
							43°22'N 62°24'W
20:20	BLKW	Ad			9	var	flying
	Fulmar		L <sub>2</sub>		1	var	"
							43°20'N 62°22'W
20:30							
20:30	Fulmar		L <sub>2</sub>		1	var	around ship
	Puffin				1	dove	in front of ship
	BLKW	Ad			6	var	
							43°19'N 62°21'W
20:40	BLKW	Ad			4	var	flying around ship
	GDBG	<sup>2nd</sup> yr			1	var	"
							43°18'N 62°20'W
20:50	Fulmar		L <sub>2</sub>		1	var	flying
	BLKW	Ad			1	"	"
	GDBG	1 <sup>st</sup>			1	"	
	HG	Ad			1	"	43°16'N 62°19'W

PIROP



Observation period: 12:30 GMT to 13:30 GMT

Position or Decca 43°12'N 62°15'W

Type of watch all Reliability good

Visibility good Weather scattered cloud, -6°C, 20t sec winds

State of Sea choppy, 2 m Ship Speed 10.5 knot

Direction 324° Activity ~~return~~ <sup>cruising</sup> toward Halifax

Angle of view 180° forward Height 20'

Date: Jan 30/78

Ship: Aqua Star

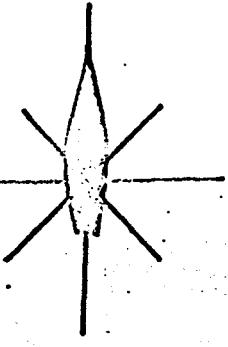
Obs: Steve Woodley

Age: 36

TIME	SPECIES	AGE	PL	ASS	NUMBER	MOV.	REMARKS, (behaviour, sex....)
12:30	BLK W	1d			3	var	around boat
	GBBG	1d			4	"	"
	"	2nd yr			2	"	"
12:40	Murre sp.				5	NE	flushed ahead of ship
	Dovekie				3	south	"
	HG	1d			1	var	Flying around ship 43°15'N 62°19'W
12:50	HG	1d			1	var	flying 43°16'N 62°19'W
13:00	Fulmar	L2			1	SW	low over water
	HG	1d			1	var	around ship 43°17'N 62°21'W
13:10	Fulmar	L2			1	var	flying low 43°18'N 62°21'W
13:20	Fulmar	L2			4	var	
	Dovekie				1	dove	

43°19'N 62°22'W

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Observation period: 13:20 GMT to 14:00 GMT

Position or Decca 43°19' N 62°22' W

Type of watch all Reliability good

Visibility good Weather 2°C, clear, 20k sun high

State of Sea 1 meters Ship Speed 10.5 k

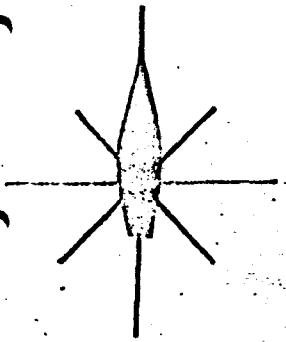
Direction 325° Activity cruising toward Halifax

Angle of view 180° Height 20' forward

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Ship: Aqua Star  
Obs: Steve Waddell  
Age: 37

TIME	SPECIES	AGE	PL	ASS	NUMBER	MOV.	REMARKS, (behaviour, sex....)
13:20	Murre sp.				3	west	flushed by ship
	GBBG	Ad			1	var	flying
	BLKW	Ad			2	var	"
	Dovekie				17	WWWW	Flushed by ship 43°29' N 62°24' W
13:30	Fulmar	L2			1	var	flying
	Dovekie				3	S.W	flushed 43°22' N 62°25' W
13:40	Dovekies				40±2	SW	group of less than 10
	Thick Billed Murre				7	SW	Flushed ahead of ship 43°23' N 62°27' W
13:50	Murre sp.				6	SW	ahead of ship
	Dovekie				9	SW	" 43°24' N 62°28' W
							U-turn - back to work site

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Observation period: 14:20 GMT to 15:00 GMT

Position or Decca 43°26'N 62°30'W

Type of watch all Reliability good

Visibility fair Weather overcast, snow, 3°C, SW winds

State of Sea choppy, 2 m. Ship Speed 10.5 knots

Direction 152° Activity crossing to sub site.

Direction 152° Activity cruising to job site

Direction  $152^{\circ}$  Activity cruising to job site  
Angle of view  $180^{\circ}$  Height  $101'$

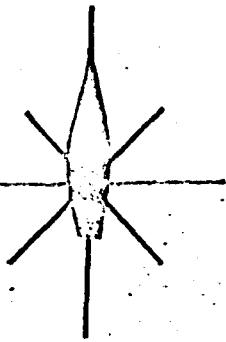
angle of view 180 height 20  
forward.

10. The following table gives the number of hours worked by each of the 1000 workers.

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Obs : Star cebadley  
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## **HROP**



Observation period: 16:50 GMT to 17:50 GMT

Position or Decca  $43^{\circ}03'N$   $62^{\circ}08'W$

Type of watch all Reliability good

Visibility good Weather overcast, 7°C light winds

State of Sea mild swell Ship Speed 11 knots

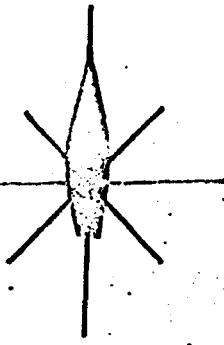
Direction  $146^{\circ}$  Activity: cruising to job site

Angle of view  $180^\circ$  Height 30'

forward

Date : Jan 30/78  
Ship : Aqua Star  
Obs : Steve Waddley  
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Observation period: 18:00 GMT to 18:40 GMT

Position or Decca 42°55'N 61°59'W

Type of watch all Reliability good

Visibility good Weather scattered cloud, 5°C, light wind

State of Sea 1 meter Ship Speed 6.5 knots

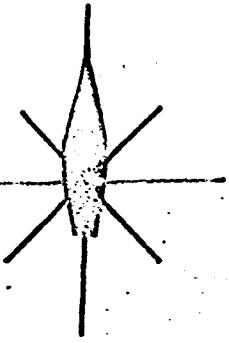
Direction 142° Activity playing out seismic lines

Angle of view 360° Height 20'  
walk around ship

Date : Jan. 30/78  
 Ship : Aqua Star  
 Obs : Steve Woodley  
 Age : 41

TIME	SPECIES	AGE	PL	ASS	NUMBER	MOV.	REMARKS, (behaviour, sex....)
18:00	GBBG	Ad			7	var.	around ship, flying
"		im			2	var.	"
	BLKW	Ad			26±2	var.	"
							42°54'N 61°58'W
18:10	BLKW				150±20		— seem to group feeding over
	GBBG	Ad			6	var	repelling
"		im			2	var	
							42°51'N 61°58'W
18:20	BLKW	Ad			200±20		large inflights of kittiwakes
		im					
18:30	Dovekie				3	dove	near ship
	Ic. kittiwake	Ad			200±20	var	around ship
		im					42°53'N 61°57'W

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Observation period: 18:40 GMT to 19:00 GMT

Position or Decca 42° 53'N 61° 51'W

Type of watch all Reliability good

Visibility good Weather 8°C, scattered cloud, light winds

State of Sea 1 m Ship Speed 5 knots

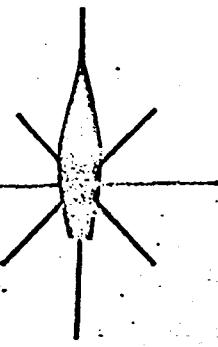
Direction 210° Activity dragging seismic lines

Angle of view 180° Height 20' port

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 Obs : Steve Woodley  
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TIME	SPECIES	AGE	PL	ASS	NUMBER	MOV.	REMARKS, (behaviour, sex....)
18:40	BLKW	Ad			110±10	var	flying   sun glare forward
	GIBB G	Ad			2	"	"
"	Dovekie	1st yr			1	"	"
					2	dove	
							42° 52'N 61° 58'W
18:50	GIBB G	Ad			20±4	var	swirling off water in one flock
"		im			11±3	var	
	BLKW	Ad			17±2	var	large flock disappeared
							42° 52'N 61° 58'W

PIROP



Observation period: 19:20 GMT to 20.19 GMT

Position or Decca 42°49'N 61°57'W

Type of watch all Reliability good

Visibility good Weather scattered cloud, 8°C, light winds

State of Sea mild 1m Ship Speed 5.5 knots

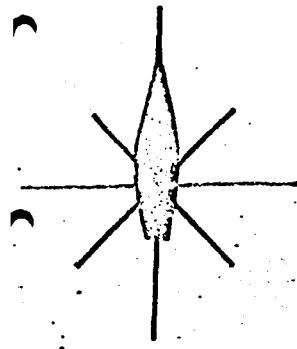
Direction 167° Activity dragging seismic lines

Angle of view 180° Height 20' port

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 Ship : Aqua Star  
 Obs : Steve Woolley  
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TIME	SPECIES	AGE	PL	ASS	NUMBER	MOV.	REMARKS, (behaviour, sex....)
19:20	BLK W	Ad			5	var.	flying 42°49'N 61°57'W
19:30	GBBG	Ad			7	var	flying around ship
	"	im			1	var	"
	BLKW	Ad			16	var	" 42°58'N 61°56'W
19:40	BLKW	Ad			7	var.	flying
	GBBG	Ad			3	var.	" 42°47'N 61°55'W
1950	BLKW	Ad			100 ± 15	var.	- ship turning 180°
	GBBG	Ad			12	var.	- new heading 325°
	"	im			4	var.	
2000	GBBG	Ad			41	still	on water; in large flock
	"	im			12	still	
	BLKW	Ad im			130 ± 20	var.	flying

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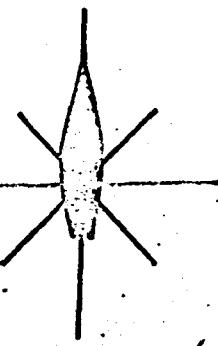


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Clip : Aqua Star  
Obs : Steve Woodley  
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Observation period: 20:10 GMT to   GMT  
Position or Decca  $42^{\circ}50'N$   $61^{\circ}57'W$   
Type of watch all Reliability good  
Visibility good Weather clear, 8°C, light winds  
State of Sea mild Ship Speed 6 knots  
Direction  $374^{\circ}$  Activity dragging seismic lines  
Angle of view  $180^{\circ}$  Height 20'  
Forward

TIME	SPECIES	AGE	PL	ASS	NUMBER	MOV.	REMARKS, (behaviour, sex....)
20:10	nil						42°50'N 61°57'W
2020	BLKW	Ad			7	var	Flying around ship 42°50'N 61°57'W
2030	BLKW	Ad			8	var.	flying
	"	im			1	var	"
	Fulmars		L2		2	190°	
	Gannett	Ad				70°	just flashed across bow!! 42°51'N 61°57'W
2040	GBBG	Ad			8	var	on water and flying
	"	im			3	"	"
	BLKW	Ad			12.0-30	"	"
	"	im			4	"	"
	Fulmar		L2		1	"	flying 42°51'N 61°58'W

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Observation period: 12:30 GMT to 13:10 GMT

Position or Decca 43°0'N 63°10'W

Type of watch all Reliability good

Visibility fair Weather overcast, snow, 0°C light clouds

State of Sea mild chop Ship Speed 5.5 knots

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Ship: Aqua Star

Obs: Steve Woodley

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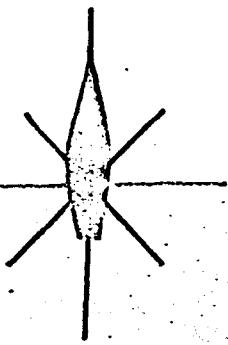
Direction Activity hauling seismic lines

Angle of view 189° Height 10' forward

TIME	SPECIES	AGE	PL	ASS	NUMBER	MOV.	REMARKS, (behaviour, sex....)
12:30	Dovekies				9	210°	
	Fulmar		L2		2	var	
	GBBG	Ad			2	var	
	BLKW	1m			1	var	
	GBBG	Ad			2	?	seen by crew member
	Gannet	Ad			1	var	
12:40	Dovekie				3	219°	flushed by ship
	GBBG	Ad			2	var	flying around ship
	"	2nd yr			1	var	"
	BLKW	Ad			3	var	"
12:50	BLKW	Ad			4	var	
	Fulmar		L2		2	var	
	GBBG	Ad			3	var	
	Dovekie				3	210°	into wind
13:00	GBBG	Ad			2	var.	
	BLKW	Ad			9	var.	
	Dovekie				4	219°	flying to wind
	Fulmar		D2		1	var	

42°51'N 62°02'W

PIROP



Observation period: 13:20 GMT to 14:00 GMT

Position or Decca 42°51'N 62°02'W

Type of watch all Reliability good

Visibility good Weather scattered cloud, 1°C, light winds

State of Sea mild, 0-1m Ship Speed 5.6 knots

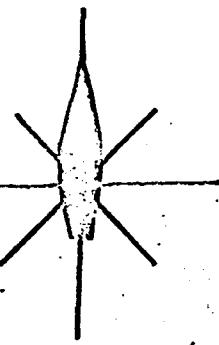
Direction 124° Activity dragging seismic lines

Angle of view 180° Height 20' port

Date : Jan. 31/78  
 Ship : *Aqua Star*  
 Obs : Steve Abbotley  
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TIME	SPECIES	AGE	PL	ASS	NUMBER	MOV.	REMARKS, (behaviour, sex....)
13:20	Fulmar	L			1	var.	flying around ship
	BLkW				6	var.	"
	GBBG				10	var.	behind ship 42°50'N 62°00'W
13:30	GBBG	Ad			10	var	
"	"	im			3	var	all 2nd yr birds
	BLkW	Ad			3	var	moving in from south 42°50'N 62°00'W
13:40	BLkW	Ad			14	from south	
	GBBG	Ad			6	var	
	Dovekies				2	210°	south into light winds 42°50'N 61°59'W
13:50	Dovekies				3	south	
	DLkW	Ad			9	var	
"	"	im			2	var	
	GBBG	Ad			3	var	42°49'N 61°57'W

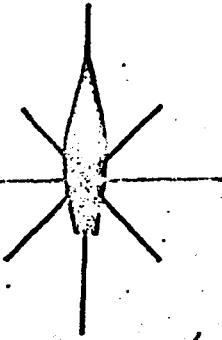
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Ship : Aqua Star  
Obs : S. Woodley  
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Observation period: 14'20 GMT to 15:00 GMT  
 Position or Decca  $42^{\circ}50'N$   $61^{\circ}55'W$   
 Type of watch all Reliability good  
 Visibility good Weather scattered cloud, 5°C, winds light  
 State of Sea wild swell Ship Speed 5.5 knots  
 Direction  $40^{\circ}$  Activity dragging seismic lines  
 Angle of view  $180^{\circ}$  Height 20'  
forward

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ate : Jan. 31/78  
Up. : Aqua Star  
Obs : Steve Abadky  
age : 48

Observation period: 15:00 GMT to 15:30 GMT

Position or Decca 42°53'N 61°52'W

Type of watch all Reliability good

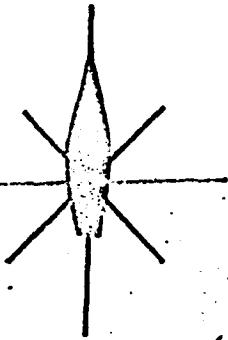
Visibility good Weather fair, 10°C, light N.W. winds

State of Sea mild swell Ship Speed 6 knots

Direction  $35^{\circ}$  Activity. dragging seismic lines

Angle of view 180° Height 20'  
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PIROP



Observation period: 15:30 GMT to 16:00 GMT

Position or Decca 42° 53' N 61° 53' W

Type of watch 011 Reliability good

Visibility good Weather scattered clouds 8°C, 15kt W winds

State of Sea mild swell Ship Speed 5.5 knots

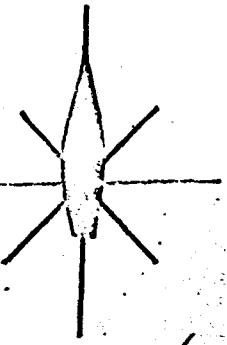
Direction 251° Activity dragging seismic lines

Angle of view 180° Height 20' forward

Date: Jan 31/78  
 Ship: *Aqua Star*  
 Obs: Steve Woodley  
 Age: 49

TIME	SPECIES	AGE	PL	ASS	NUMBER	MOV.	REMARKS, (behaviour, sex....)
15:30	BLK W	Ad			50±10	var	soaring and diving ahead of ship in tight group - maybe feeding 42° 53' N 61° 54' W
15:40	BLK W	Ad			2	var.	around ship 42° 52' N 61° 55' W
15:50	BLK W	Ad			4	var	low over water 42° 52' N 61° 56' W

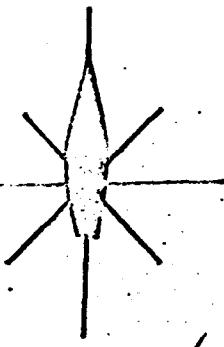
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Ship : Aqua Star  
Obs : Steve Chodkey  
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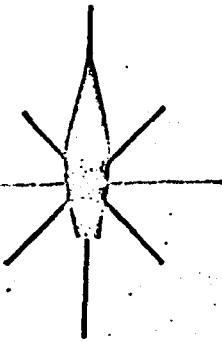
Observation period: 17:00 GMT to 17:40 GMT  
 Position or Decca 42°52'N 61°57.5'W  
 Type of watch all Reliability good  
 Visibility good Weather scattered cloud, light winds,  
 State of Sea 1-2 meters Ship Speed 5.6 knots  
 Direction 70° Activity dragging seismic lines  
 Angle of view 180° Height 20'

PIROP

Observation period: 18:00 GMT to 18:40 GMTPosition or Decca 42° 54' N 61° 52' WType of watch all Reliability goodVisibility good Weather scat. cloud, 5°C, light windsState of Sea 1.5m Ship Speed 5.7 knotsDirection 160° Activity dragging seismic linesAngle of view 180° forward Height 20'Date: Jan. 31/78Ship: Aqua StarObs: Steve WhalleyPage: 51

TIME	SPECIES	AGE	PL	ASS	NUMBER	MOV.	REMARKS, (behaviour, sex....)
18:00	BLKW	Ad			6	var	Flying   ship turning to 240° 42° 54' N 61° 52.5' W
18:10	GBBG	2nd yr			1	var	Flying   ship turning
	BLKW	Ad				var	" to 160° 42° 54' N 61° 51' W
18:20	BLKW	Ad			8	var.	Flying around ship 42° 53' N 61° 52' W
18:30	BLKW	Ad			8	var.	42° 52' N 61° 52' W
18:40	BLKW	Ad			6	var	Flying
		1m			1	var	" 42° 52' N 61° 51' W

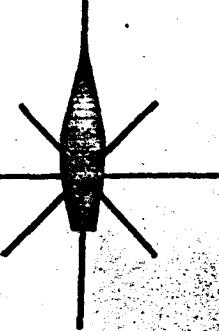
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Observation period: 19:00 GMT to 19:40 GMTPosition or Decca 41° 52' 61° 52' WType of watch all Reliability goodVisibility heavy chop Weather scat cloud, 8°C, light windsState of Sea heavy chop Ship Speed 5.5 KDirection 342° Activity dragging seismic linesAngle of view 180° Height 20'  
forward

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 Ship : Aqua Star  
 Obs : S. Woody  
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TIME	SPECIES	AGE	PL	ASS	NUMBER	MOV.	REMARKS, (behaviour, sex....)
19:00	BLKW	Ad			4	var	flying 42° 52' N 61° 52' W / ship turning
19:10	Fulmar	L2			4	var	in front of ship, low over water 42° 52' N 61° 52' W
	"	D2			2	var	
19:20	BLKW	Ad			48±5	var	came in from south
	"	Im			2	var	
	Murre sp.				1	west	- ship turned to new heading 341° 42° 51' N 61° 52' W.
19:30	BLKW	Ad			50±10	var	circling in large spiral over one area 42° 51' N 61° 52.5' W

PIROP



Date : Jan. 31/78.  
Ship : Aqua Star  
Obs : Steve Whedley  
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Observation period: 2050 GMT to 2120 GMT

Position or Decca  $42^{\circ}50'N$   $61^{\circ}53'W$

Type of watch all Reliability good

Visibility good Weather scattered cloud, 8°C, light wind

State of Sea mild swell Ship Speed 5.5 knots Winds variable

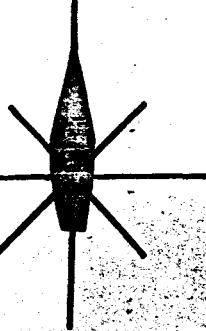
Direction  $340^{\circ}$  Activity drawing seismic lines

Angle of view 182 Height 10'

Angle of view 180 Height 60  
forward

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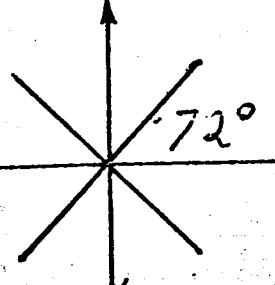
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 Ship : Aqua Star  
 Obs : Steve Bradley  
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Observation period: 2000 GMT to 2050 GMT  
 Position or Decca 42 54'N 61 54'W  
 Type of watch all Reliability good  
 Visibility good Weather scattered cloud, 8°C, light winds  
 State of Sea mild swell Ship Speed 5.5 Knots  
 Direction 167 Activity dragging seismic lines  
 Angle of view 180 Height 20'  
forward

TIME	SPECIES	AGE	PL	ASS	NUMBER	MOV.	REMARKS, (behaviour, sex....)
2000	Kittiwake <sup>0240W</sup>	Ad			9		in from south
	GBBG	2nd yr			1	var.	low over water
							42 53.5 61 54.2
2010	Kittiwake <sup>0240W</sup>	Ad			30±5		moving in from
	" im				4		south
	GBBG	Ad			1		moving with kittiwakes
							42 53 N - 61 54 W
2020	Kittiwake <sup>0240W</sup>	Ad			11	var.	around ship
"	im.				1	var.	"
							42 52 N 61 53.5 N
2030	GBBG	Ad			4	still	on water
"	im				1	still	"
	Kittiwake	Ad			11	var	
"	im				3	var	
							42 51 N 61 53 W
2040	Kittiwake	Ad			19±2	var	around ship
"	"				3	var	"
	GBBG	Ad			2	var	42°50.5'N 61°53'W

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5.4 knots  
SHIP  
Direction
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OBSERVATION PERIOD:

1230

TO 13:10

SHIP Aqua StarOBSERVERS: Steve Woodley  
overcast, -2°C, winds  
from north, snow  
visibility - 500m

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viewing angle - 180° forward

TIME	SPECIES	A G E	P L	A S	NUMBER	MOVE- MENT	REMARKS (behaviour, sex, food, etc.)
12:30	Murre sp. <sup>Thick Billed</sup> Brunnich Murre				2	0°	flew off water (Brunnich's?)
					5	1 dove 4 north	off water into wind
	Fulmar	L			4	var	around ship
	"	D			1	var	"
							(ship turning) - new head 237°
12:40	Kittiwake <sup>BLKW</sup> BLKW	Ad			14	var	came in from west
		im			1	var	"
	Fulmar	L			3	var.	around
							42°56'N 61°42.5'W
12:50	Fulmar	L			4	var.	around ship, <del>on water</del>
	GBBG	Ad			6	still var.	" , on water
	HG	Ad			3	still var.	" , "
	GBBG	im			2	still	"
							42°55.5'N 61°43'W
13:00	Fulmar	D			1	var.	around ship
	"	L			1	var.	"
	BLKW	Ad			7	var	"
	HG	Ad			2	var	"

42°55'N 61°44.5'W

13:10

S.2 Knots  
  
 SHIP Direction  $245^{\circ}$

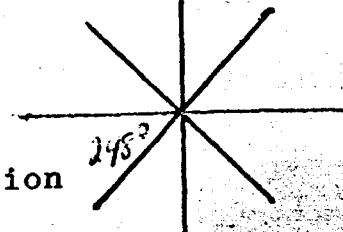
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 SHIP Aqua Star  
 OBSERVERS: Steve Woodley  
N.W. Winds, overcast,  
snow flurries,  $1^{\circ}\text{C}$   
visibility  $\frac{1}{2}$  mile

dragging seismic lines  
 OBSERVATION PERIOD: 13:10 TO 13:40  
 all species  
 viewing angle  $180^{\circ}$  forward

TIME	- SPECIES -	A G E	P L	A S	NUMBER	MOVE- MENT	REMARKS (behaviour, sex, food, etc.)
13:10	Kittiwake BLKw	Ad			6	var.	around ship, flying
	BLKw	im			2	var.	"
							$42^{\circ}55'N$ $61^{\circ}45.5'W$
13:20	Oovekie	w			5	N.W.	into wind, scared off water
	Murre sp.				1	NW	flying across bow, into wind
	HG	Ad			1	var	around ship
	Fulmar	L			1	var.	"
	BLKw	Ad			5	var.	"
							$42^{\circ}54.5'N$ $61^{\circ}46.5'W$
13:30	Fulmar	L			2	var	around ship (heavy <sup>snow</sup> flurries)
	BLKw						
	Thick Billed Brannich's Murre				1	NW	flying low over water
	HG						
*Fulmar		L			15	still	in one flock sitting on
11		D			2	still	water - scattered when ship approached - light to dark phase definitely a colour gradient and not distinct
1340							$42^{\circ}54'N$ $61^{\circ}47.5'W$

speed 5.5 knots

SHIP  
Direction

245°

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SHIP Aqua Star

OBSERVERS: Steve Woodley

W.W. winds, overcast, snow  
Flurries, 1°C  
visibility 1/2 mile.

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dragging seismic lines  
OBSERVATION PERIOD:

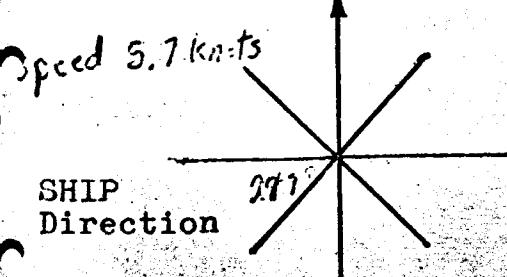
14:10 TO 15:00

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all species

viewing angle - 180° from

TIME	- SPECIES -	AGE	PASS	NUMBER	MOVE-MENT	REMARKS (behaviour, sex, food, etc.)
14:10	BLKW	Ad		7	var.	flying around ship
	GBBG	Ad		2	var.	"
	BLKW	im		1	var.	"
						42°53' N 61°52' W
14:20	Fulmar	L	23	var.	cruising ahead of ship, low	
	BLKW	Ad		4	var.	flying around ship
						42°52.5' N 61°53.5' W
14:30	Fulmar	L	6	var	cruising ahead of ship, swooping	
"		O	1	var.	and sometimes breaking water (feeding)	
	BLKW			var	around ship	
						42°52' N 61°55' W
14:40	BLKW	Ad	3	var.	around ship, flying	
						42°52' N 61°56' W
14:50	BLKW	Ad	11	var	around ship	
	BLKW	im	2	var	"	
						42°51.5' N 61°57' N



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SHIP  
Direction

271°

dragging Seismic lines  
OBSERVATION PERIOD:

15:00 TO 15.30

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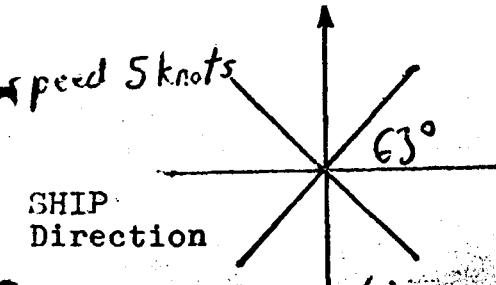
SHIP Aqua Star

OBSERVERS: Steve Woodley  
W.W winds overcast, 4°  
mild swell  
visibility 5 miles

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viewing angle - 180° forward

TIME	- SPECIES -	AGE	PLASS	NUMBER	MOVEMENT	REMARKS (behaviour, sex, food, etc.)
1509	H G	Ad		1	var	42°51.5' N 61°57' W flying around ship
	GBBG	Ad		1	var	"
	"	im		1	var	"
	Fulmar	L		2	var	"
	BLKW	Ad		4	var	flying; some diving to feed and successful 42°51' N 61°58.5' W
15:10	Fulmar	L		6	var.	around ship changing course
	GBBG	Ad		14±2	feeding	feeding over new heading 64°
	"	in		6	"	one area - successful
	Fulmar	D		1		chasing im GBBG for food
	BLKW	Ad +im		40±5	feeding	a feeding frenzy in one area - bothered by Fulmars
						42°51' N 61°57.5' W
1520	GBBG	Ad		3	still	on water
"		2nd yr		1	still	"
	BLKW	Ad				
	Fulmar	L		2		42°51.5' N 61°56.5' W



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OBSERVERS: Steve Woodley  
N.W. winds, overcast, 4°C  
mild swell  
visibility - fair

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## dragging seismic lines

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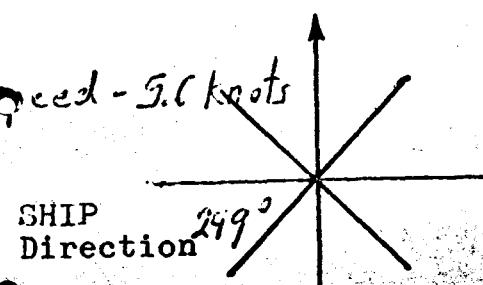
all species

15:30 TO 16:00

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viewing angle -180° for u

TIME	- SPECIES -	A G E	P L S	A S S	NUMBER	MOVE- MENT	REMARKS (behaviour, sex, food, etc.)
1530	BLKW	Ad			4	var	42° 51.5' N 61° 56.5' W flying around ship
							42° 52' N 61° 55.5' W
1540	BLKW	Ad			8	var	flying
	GBBG	Ad			1	var.	flying
	Fulmar	L <sub>2</sub>			2	var.	cruising ahead of ship
							42° 52' N 61° 54.5' W
1550	BLKW	Ad				var	around ship
	Fulmar	L <sub>2</sub>				var.	flying low
	Dovekie				1	dove	dissappeared
							42° 52.5' N 61° 53.5' W



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SHIP Aqua Star

OBSERVERS: Stephen Woodley  
overcast, 4°c, no winds  
mild sun!  
visibility good

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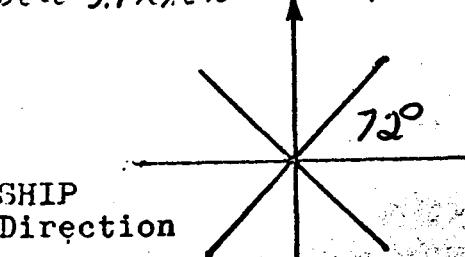
dragging seismic lines  
OBSERVATION PERIOD:  
all species

17:00 TO 17:30

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view-180° forward

speed 5.1 KNOTS

SHIP  
Direction

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SHIP Agave Star

OBSERVERS: Stephen Lebdley  
scattered cloud, G.E. light  
seawinds, visibility - good  
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OBSERVATION PERIOD:  
all species

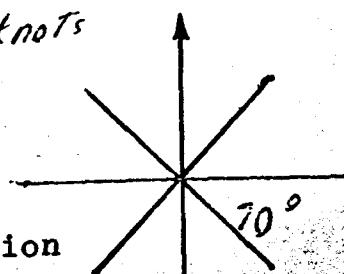
17:50 TO 18:30

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view - 180° forward

TIME	- SPECIES -	A G E	P L	A S	NUMBER	MOVE- MENT	REMARKS (behaviour, sex, food, etc.)
17:50	murre sp				3	N.W.	low over water in wind
	Dovekie	w			1	still	stayed on water while ship passed
	Fulmar	0,			1	var.	around ship
	BLKW.	Ad			4	var.	"
							42°50'N 61°58'W
18:00	Fulmar	L			2	var.	around ship
	Dovekie	w			1	N.W.	flying low over water - into wind
	Murre sp.				2	N.W.	low over water - into wind
	Fulmars	0			25±3	feeding	feeding over 1 area - far off ship
	BLKW	Ad			6	var	soaring in front of ship
	GIBB6	Ad			2	var	"
							42°50.5'N 61°55.5'W
18:10	Dovekie				4	N.W.	offwater; one almost pure white
	Murre sp.				1	N.W.	left water far from ship - ship
	Fulmar	L			1	var	
	BLKW	Ad!			50±5	SE.	coming to ship from N.W. (downwind)
							42°51'N 61°54.5'W

speed 5.1 knots



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OBSERVERS: Steve Abodley  
scattered cloud 60%

Scattered clouds, 6° C.

light N.E. winds

visability - good

*swell*

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at 180° forward

w 180° forward

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SHIP  
Direct

dragging seismic lines

**OBSERVATION PERIOD:**

18:30 TO 19:00

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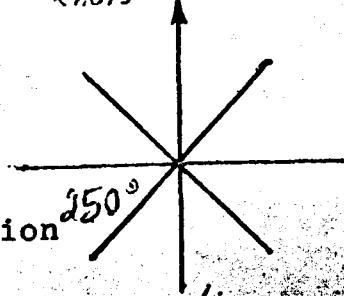
view 180° forward

all species

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speed

knots



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OBSERVERS: Steve Woodley  
 scattered cloud, 6°C, light  
 NE winds, good visibility  
 seas - mild swell

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dragging seismic lines  
 OBSERVATION PERIOD:  
 all species

19:30

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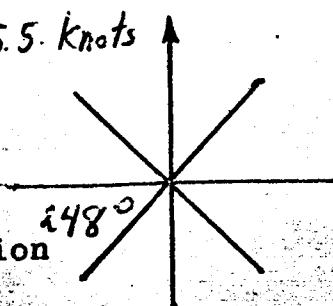
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view 180° forward

TIME	- SPECIES -	A G E	P L	A S	NUMBER	MOVE- MENT	REMARKS (behaviour, sex, food, etc.)
19:30	BLKW	Ad im			400±40	feeding	42°52'N 61°52'W feeding together in a zone (expelling?)
	GDBG	Ad			30±5	"	(sun glares off fat box)
"		im			15±4	"	
	Fulmar	O <sub>2</sub>		.1		var.	soaring off water
							42°52'N 61°53'W
19:40	Dovekie				12±1	NW	wind shifted some - into wind - groups of 3 <del>and</del> 6, 4, 2, 2, 2, 1, 1 - all same direction except 1 dove found coming in from south west
	BLKW	Ad im			50±7		42°52'N 61°54.5'W
19:50	BLKW	Ad			5	var.	around ship (wind increasing and sea very choppy)
							42°51.5'N 61°55.5'W
20:00	BLKW	?			800±100	var.	estimate of 800 ± 100 birds trailing ship
	Dovekies				11	NW	groups of 5, 2, 2, 2 - indicates feeding and successful in this area - third grouping may represent lesser flocks

42°51'N 61°51'W

speed - 5.5 knots

SHIP  
Direction

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DATE Feb 1 / 78SHIP Aqua StarOBSERVERS: Steve Woodley  
scattered cloud, 6°C, moderate  
N.W. winds, clear  
heavy chop on waterOBSERVATION PERIOD: 2010 TO 2050all speciesPAGE NO. 64

180° forward

TIME	- SPECIES -	A G E	P L	A S S	NUMBER	MOVE- MENT	REMARKS (behaviour, sex, food, etc.)
2010	Dovekies				11	NW	off water; into wind - small group
	Fulmar	2			1	var	around ship
	BLK W	Ad			15	var	" 42°51'N 61°58'W
2020	BLK W	Ad			6	var	flying around ship 42°50.5'N 61°58.5'W
							(ship turning) to
2040	Dovekie				1	dove	
	GBBG	and yr			1	var	cruising around ship
	BLK W	Ad			10	var	" 42°51'N 61°58.5'W
2050	Fulmar	2			2	var	around ship
	GBBG	2nd yr			1	"	"
	BLK W	Ad			8	"	" 42°51'N 61°58'W

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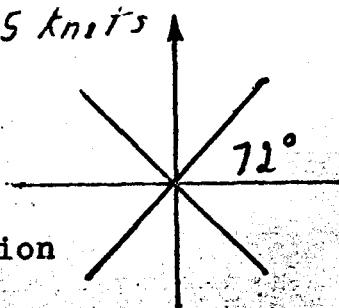
GULL CRY

PENZANCE - NEWLYN.

(hands end)

Ken Owers

speed 5.5 knots



## PIROP

DATE Feb. 1 / 78SHIP Aqua Star

OBSERVERS: Steve Woodley  
 scattered cloud, 4°C, moderate  
 NW winds, clear  
 seas - heavy chop

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AT-SEA DAILY LOG
SHIP  
Direction

OBSERVATION PERIOD:

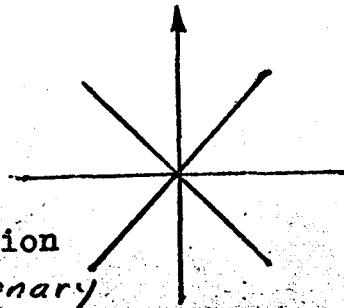
2050TO 2130

all species

PAGE NO. 65view -  $180^\circ$  forward

TIME	- SPECIES -	A G E	P L	A S	NUMBER	MOVE- MENT	REMARKS (behaviour, sex, food, etc.)
2050	Fulmar	L <sub>2</sub>			2	var	ahead of ship
"	"	D <sub>1</sub>			2	"	"
	GBBG	Ad			2	still	in water
"	"	im			5	still	"
	BLKW	Ad			14	var.	flying around ship
"	"	im			3	var.	"
							$42^\circ 51.5'N$ $61^\circ 56.8'W$
2100	BLKW	Ad			7	"	around ship
	GBBG	2nd yr			2	"	"
	BLKW	im			2	"	"
							$42^\circ 52'N$ $61^\circ 55.5'W$
2110	Fulmars	L <sub>1</sub> L <sub>2</sub>			8	var	flying around ship
	GBBG	Ad			6	"	"
"	"	2nd yr			4	"	"
	BLKW	Ad			8	"	"
"	"	im			2	"	"
							$42^\circ 52'N$ $61^\circ 54'W$

2021 - about  $600 \pm 100$  kittiwakes darkness  
 just flew in from the  
 west in one group



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AT-SEA DAILY LOG

SHIP  
Direction  
Stationary

OBSERVATION PERIOD:

12:00 TO 12:30

all species

DATE Feb. 2 / 78

SHIP Aqua Star

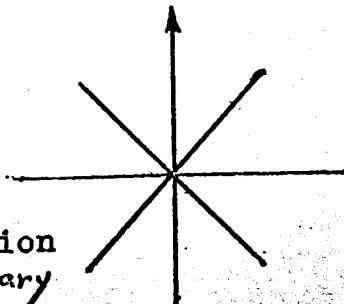
OBSERVERS: Steve Woodley

overcast; 25-30 knot  
NNW winds; -3 °C  
visibility - fair  
sea - heavy chop - 1-2 m

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view 360° - all around

TIME	- SPECIES -	AGE	PASS	NUMBER	MOVE-MENT	REMARKS (behaviour, sex, food, etc.)
12:00	Fulmars	L <sub>1</sub>		7.	ver	around ship, flying
"		C <sub>1</sub>		4	ver	" (one almost black)
	GBBG	Ad		2	"	"
12:10	GBBG	Ad		Q	"	"
	Fulmar	L <sub>1</sub>		4	"	"
"		L <sub>2</sub>		7	"	"
"		D <sub>1</sub>		6	"	"
"		D <sub>2</sub>		2	"	"
	GBBG	im		2	"	"
12:20	GBBG	Ad		3	"	"
"		1 <sup>st</sup> yr		1	"	"
	Fulmar	L <sub>1</sub>		16	"	" , some on water
"		L <sub>2</sub>		16	"	"
"		D <sub>1</sub>		6	"	"
"		D <sub>2</sub>		2	"	"
						(snow flurries mixed with freezing rain)
12:30						42°51'N 61°53.5'W



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## AT-SEA DAILY LOG

SHIP  
Direction  
stationary

OBSERVATION PERIOD: 13:00 TO 13:30

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SHIP Aqua Star

OBSERVERS: Steve Woodley  
overcast; 25-30 knot NNE wind, -3°C, fair visibility  
1-2 m swell, heavy chop  
showing

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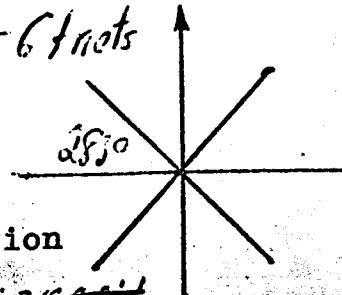
view 360°-walkaround

TIME	- SPECIES -	A G E	P A S L S	NUMBER	MOVE- MENT	REMARKS (behaviour, sex, food, etc.)
13:00	Fulmar	L <sub>1</sub>	1	3	var	on water and flying
"		L <sub>2</sub>	10	"	"	"
"		G <sub>1</sub>	4	"	"	"
"		G <sub>2</sub>	1	"	"	"
	GBBG	13 <sup>st</sup> yr	1	1	"	
13:10	BLKW Ad	L <sub>1</sub>	2	var	flying	
Fulmar		L <sub>1</sub>	3	still	on water, one group	
"		L <sub>2</sub>	8	"	"	"
"		G <sub>1</sub>	3	"	"	"
"		G <sub>2</sub>	2	"	"	"
	GBBG Ad	13			"	
						42°50.5'N 61°52.5'W
13:20	HG A	1	1	still	on water with Fulmars	
Fulmars		L <sub>1</sub>	3	"	"	
"		L <sub>2</sub>	14	"	"	"
"		L <sub>3</sub>	6	"	"	"
"		L <sub>4</sub>	1	"	"	"
	GBBG	11	3	var	flying	
"		im	2	var	"	(snow-poor visibility)

42°50.5'N 61°52'

13:30

speed - 6 knots

SHIP  
Direction~~Stationary~~

OBSERVATION PERIOD:

14:00 TO 14:40

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## AT-SEA DAILY LOG

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SHIP Aqua StarOBSERVERS: Steve Woodle  
overcast; 25 knot NW  
winds, snowy, fair visib.  
1-2 m sea swell

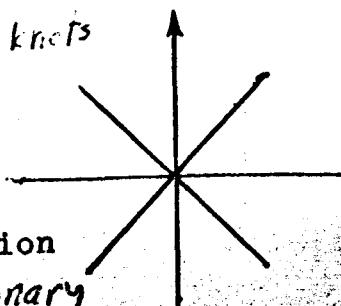
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view - forward ~~180° - south~~

all species

TIME	- SPECIES -	A G E	P L	A S S	NUMBER	MOVE- MENT	REMARKS (behaviour, sex, food, etc.)
1400	BLKW Ad					var	42°50'N 61°51'W (drifting at about 1.3 knots)
	Fulmars	L <sub>2</sub>			3	"	"
	GBBG	Ad			4	still	on water
	"	im			3	"	"
1410	BLKW				4	var	flying (heavy flurries)
	Fulmar	L <sub>2</sub>			1	var	"
							42°50.5'N 61°52'W
1420	Fulmar	L <sub>1</sub>			2	var.	flying in front of ship
	"	L <sub>2</sub>			6	var.	"
	"	D <sub>1</sub>			2	var.	"
	"	D <sub>2</sub>			1	var.	"
							42°51.5'N 61°53'W
1430	BLKW Ad				1	var	flying
	GBBG im				1	var	" (very poor visibility)
1440							42°51.5'N 61°54'W
							(now stationary and drifting again)

speed - 0 knots

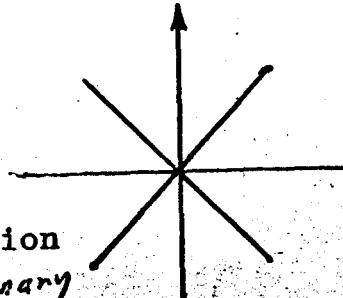


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DATE Feb. 1/78SHIP Aqua StarOBSERVERS: Steve Woodley  
overcast; 25 knot N.W. winds  
snow: -2°C, poor visibility  
seas 1-3m and choppySHIP  
Direction  
stationaryPROGRAM FOR INTEGRATED  
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AT-SEA DAILY LOGOBSERVATION PERIOD: 14:40 TO 15:20all speciesPAGE NO. 69

360° walk around

TIME	- SPECIES -	A G E	P L	A S	NUMBER	MOVE- MENT	REMARKS (behaviour, sex, food, etc.)
1440	nil						
1450	BLICW Ad				3	var	flying around ship
	GBBG Ad				2	var	"
"	2nd yr				1	var	"
							42° 51.5' N 61° 55' W
15:00	GBBG Ad				8	still	on water
"	im				8	still	"
Fulmar	1 <sub>2</sub>				2	var	flying
"	D <sub>2</sub>				1	var	"
BLICW Ad					9	"	"
	im				1	"	"
15:10	GBBG	2 <sup>nd</sup> yr			4	var	flying (heavy snow)
	GBBG	Ad			2	var	"
"	1 <sup>st</sup> yr				1	var.	"
BLICW					4	var	"
Fulmar	9				2	var	"
							42° 51' N 61° 54.5' W



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AT-SEA DAILY LOG

SHIP  
Direction  
stationary

OBSERVATION PERIOD:

1540

TO

all species

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SHIP Aqua Star

OBSERVERS: Steve Woolley  
overcast, 25 knot N.W. wind  
-2°C, good visibility  
seas 1-3 meters

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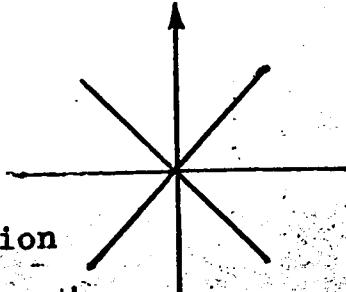
180° forward

42° 51' N 61° 54' W

TIME	- SPECIES -	A G E	P L	A S	NUMBER	MOVE- MENT	REMARKS (behaviour, sex, food, etc.)
1540	Fulmar	4,		1	1	var	flying
"	"	4,		2	1	var	"
	BLKW				3	var	flying
1550	Sooty Tern				1	still	sitting on water
	GBBG	Ad			8	var	flying and on water
"	"	2nd yr			6	var	"
	BLKW				2	var	flying
1560	Fulmar	4,		2	" 2	var	
	Fulmar	4,		1	" 1	var	
	GBBG	Ad			" 8	var	on water and flying
	BLKW	im			" 1	var	"
	BLKW	Ad			" 4		"
	GBBG	im			6		
							42° 50.5' N 61° 53.5' W

dolphins - 2 - small - ~ 6 ft  
- jumped clear of water  
- poor vis. made ID impossible

42° 51' 61° 54'



# PIROP

SHIP  
Direction

stationary

OBSERVATION PERIOD: 17:09 TO 17:40  
all species

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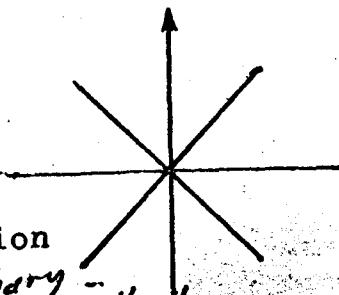
SHIP Aqua Star

OBSERVERS: Steve Woolley  
overcast; -2°C, 15 knot  
N.E. winds, fair visibility,  
1-3 m swells)

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180° forward

TIME	- SPECIES -	AGE	PASS	NUMBER	MOVE-MENT	REMARKS (behaviour, sex, food, etc.)
17:00	BLK W	Ad		4	var.	flying around ship
	Fulmar	1/2		1	"	"
						42°51.5'N 61°55'N (well site)
17:10	BLK W	Ad		7	var.	flying around ship (ship cruising very slowly around well site, doing temp. profiles)
17:20	BLK W	Ad		2	var	flying around ship
	GBBG	2nd yr		2	var	"
17:30	BLK W	Ad		2	var	flying
	Dovekie	1/2		1	var	- difficult to see on water - due to birds on water because of wind chop
17:40						41°53.5'N 61°54.5'W



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SHIP Aqua Star

OBSERVERS: Steve Woodley  
overcast; 25 knot wind  
wind; clear,  
sea 1-3 meters

SHIP  
Direction  
stationary -

circle well site  
OBSERVATION PERIOD:  
all species

18:00

TO 18:50

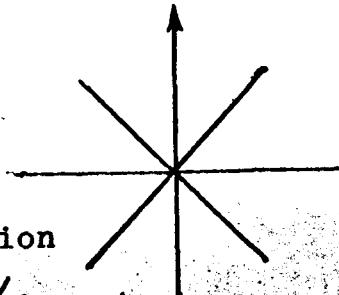
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180° forward view

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TIME	- SPECIES -	A G E	P L	A S	NUMBER	MOVE- MENT	REMARKS (behaviour, sex, food, etc.)
18:00							42°53.5'N 61°54.5'W
	BLKW Ad				4	var	around ship
18:10	BLKW Ad				2	var.	around ship
	GBBG <sup>ad</sup> <sub>yr</sub>				1	var.	"
							42°52.5'N 61°54'W
18:20	GBBG Ad				1	var.	around ship
	BLKW Ad				3	"	"
							42°52'N 61°54.5'W
18:30	BLKW Ad				2	var.	around ship, flying
	GBBG Ad				1	"	"
18:40	BLKW Ad				9	var	flying; on water feeding
	Fulmar <sub>juv</sub>				2	var	"
	BLKW imm				2	"	"
	GBBG Ad				1	"	" , on water
	" <sup>2nd</sup> <sub>yr</sub>				2	"	"
							(visibility again <sup>fog, snow</sup> poor)
							42°51.5'N 61°54.5'W



# PIROP

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SHIP Aqua Star

OBSERVERS: S. Woolley  
scattered cloud; 20 knot NW winds; 7°C, clear  
3 meter swell

SHIP  
Direction

stationary

OBSERVATION PERIOD: 19:20 TO 20:00

all species

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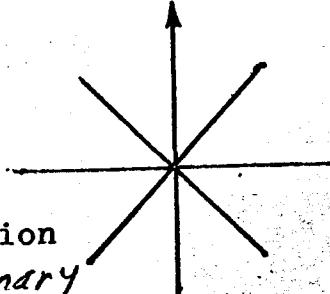
## RESEARCH ON PELAGIC BIRDS

## AT-SEA DAILY LOG

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180° port view (downwind)

TIME	- SPECIES -	AGE	P	A	S	NUMBER	MOVE-MENT	REMARKS (behaviour, sex, food, etc.)
19:20	BLKW	Ad				3	var	flying
	GBBG	Ad				2	"	"
	"	2nd yr				2	"	"
19:30	Fulmar	0 <sub>1</sub>				3		flying
	BLKW	Ad				17		on water
	"	1m				2		"
	GBBG	Ad				14		flying around ship
	"	1m				8		"
	Fulmar	1 <sub>2</sub>				8		on water; flying
	"	1 <sub>1</sub>				2		"
								42°51.5'N 61°54.6'W
19:40	BLKW	Ad						
	GBBG	2nd yr				3	still	on water
	"	Ad				1	"	"
	Fulmar	1 <sub>2</sub>				1	var.	flying
								42°51'N 61°54'W
19:50	GBBG	Ad				6	var	in front of ship, flying
	Fulmar	1 <sub>2</sub>				5	"	"
	Fulmar	1 <sub>1</sub>				1	"	"
	BLKW	Ad				9	"	"
	GBBG	1m				2	"	"



# PIROP

DATE Feb 2/78

SHIP Aqua Star

OBSERVERS: S. Woody

scattered cloud; 20 knot  
SW winds, 3°C, clear  
1-2 m swell

SHIP  
Direction  
stationary

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OBSERVATION PERIOD: 20:30 TO 21:10

all species

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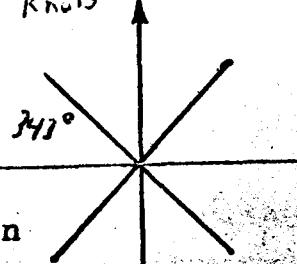
180° forward view

TIME	- SPECIES -	A G E	P L	A S	NUMBER	MOVE- MENT	REMARKS (behaviour, sex, food, etc.)
20:30	BLKW	Ad?			100±20	var	around ship
	GBBG	Ad			3	"	"
	"	1st yr			1	"	"
	"	and yr			2	"	"
20:40	BLKW	Ad			20	var	"
	"	im			2	var	"
	GBBG	Ad			4	var	" , on water
	"	im			6	var	"
	Fulmar	1/2			2	var.	"
							42°52'N 61°53.5'W
20:50	Fulmar	1/2			1	var	flying
	BLKW	Ad			11	"	"
	GBBG	Ad			2	"	"
	"	1st yr			1	"	"
21:00	BLKW	Ad			41	var	soaring in front of ship
	"	im			2	var	"
	Fulmar	1/2			5	var	flying, low over water
							42°51.5'N 61°54'W

21:10 ~~saw~~ evening gathering of petrels, arriving  
from all directions - approx. 400-500 sitting on water,

pcnt S

knots

SHIP  
Direction

unning seismic lines

OBSERVATION PERIOD:

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SHIP Aqua Star

OBSERVERS: Steve Woodley

broken cloud; winds N.W.  
10 knots; +2°C, clear  
seas - gentle, 1m swell

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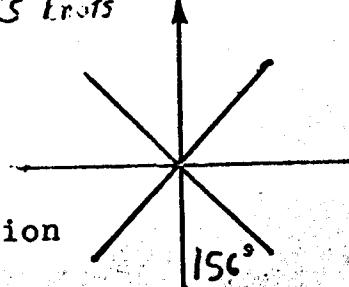
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180° forward view

all species

TIME	- SPECIES -	AGE	PA L	AS S	NUMBER	MOVE- MENT	REMARKS (behaviour, sex, food, etc.)
12:30	nil						42° 53' N 61° 55' W
12:40	BLKW	Ad			2	var	flying
	GIBBG	Im			1	"	"
	Fulmar	½			1	"	"
							42° 53.5' N 61° 55.5' W
12:50	GBBG	Ad			22 ± 2	var	flying around ship (ship trawling)
	BLKW	Ad			1	"	"
							42° 53' N 61° 56' N
13:00	BLKW	Ad			21	var	flying around bow of ship
	Fulmar	½			1	"	"
							42° 52' N 61° 55.4' W
							speed 6 knots
13:10	BLKW	Ad			4	var	flying
							42° 51.5' N 61° 55' W
13:20	BLKW	Ad			5	var	flying around ship
	Dovekies				8	WSW	low over water; not directly into wind
							42° 50.5' N 61° 54.7' W

Speed 55 knots

SHIP  
Direction

156°

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AT-SEA DAILY LOG

running seismic lines

OBSERVATION PERIOD: 13:30 TO 14:00

all species

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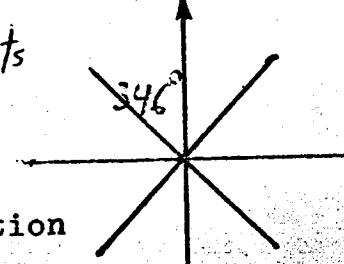
SHIP Aqua StarOBSERVERS: Steve Woodley  
scattered cloud; 3°C, 10kt.  
light winds; clear  
seas mild

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180° forward view

TIME	- SPECIES -	A G E	P L	A S S	NUMBER	MOVE- MENT	REMARKS (behaviour, sex, food, etc.)
13:30	Fulmar	2			4	WSEW	cruising in front of ship
	BLKW	Ad			10	var	flying
							42°49.7'N 61°54'W (turning)
							(turning)
13:40	Fulmar	Ad	L	2	4	var	flying
	BLKW	Ad			25	still	feeding on water
	"	Im			2	"	" "
	GBBG	Ad			4	"	" with Kittiwake
	"	Im			5	"	"
							42°50'N 61°54'W
13:50	BLKW	Ad			4	var	flying
	Fulmar	2			1	var	flying (new heading 341°)
							42°51'N 61°54.6'W
14:00	BLKW	Ad			3	var	flying
	"	Im			1	"	"
14:10	GBBG	Ad			1	var	flying
	"	2d yr			1	"	"
	BLKW	Ad			7	var	"
							42°53'N 61°55.6'W

speed  
5.4 knots



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SHIP Aqua Star

OBSERVERS: Steve Woodley  
overcast; 7°C, 10-15 knot  
NW winds, clear  
seas 1m swell

dragging seismic lines

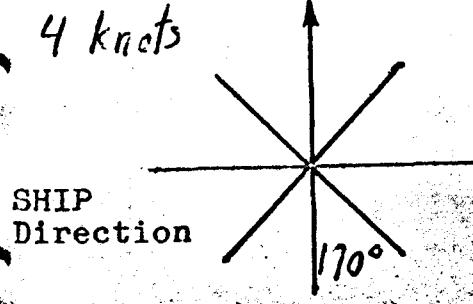
OBSERVATION PERIOD: 15:00 TO 15:40

all species

TIME	- SPECIES -	AGE	PASS	NUMBER	MOVE-MENT	REMARKS (behaviour, sex, food, etc.)
15:00	BLKW	Ad		5	var	42° 56.8' N 61° 57' W flying
	GIBB6	Ad		2	var	" "
15:10	Dovekies			17	NW	low flying, into wind groups of 6, 5, 3 (group of 6 dove)
	Murre sp.			2	NW	flew with one group of dovekies
						- individual groups <sup>of Dovekies</sup> , sit in tight clusters on water
	BLKW			8	var	flying
	Thick-billed Murre			3	dove	dove together near ship
						42° 57.7' N 61° 58.2' W
15:20	Dovekies			3	NW	groups of 2, 1 (dip turning) circling over area new heading 164°
	BLKW	Ad		50±75	circling	but don't seem to be feeding
						42° 57' N 61° 58' W
15:30	Dovekies			2	East	lower over water - not into wind?
	BLKW	Ad		25±2	var	flying
						42° 56' N 61° 57' W

Note: we ran into arks as soon as we left well travelled seismic area

4 knots



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## AT-SEA DAILY LOG

**OBSERVATION PERIOD:**

15:40 TO 16:10

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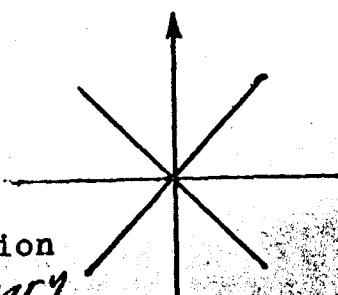
SHIP Aqua Star

OBSERVERS: Stephen Woddy  
Broken cloud, 4°C, 10 knot  
W.W. winds, clear  
seas - mild

all species

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180° forward view



# PIROP

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SHIP Aqua Star

OBSERVERS: Steve Abodley  
overcast, 5°C, 10/10  
W.W. winds, clear

SHIP  
Direction

stationary

- bottom cores

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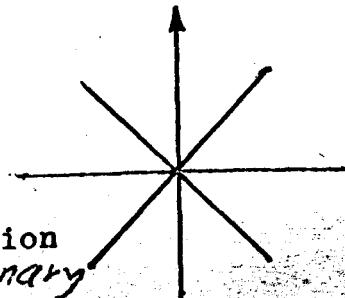
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various  
17300 TO 18:40

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all species

TIME	- SPECIES -	AGE	P	A	S	NUMBER	MOVE-MENT	REMARKS (behaviour, sex, food, etc.)
17:00	BLKW	Ad				23	var	42°51.8' N 61°54.9' W flying around ship
	GBBG	Ad				9	"	"
		x				1m	"	♂ "
17:10	GBBG	Ad				10	var	around ship, flying
		"				6	"	"
	BLKW					75±10	"	"
17:20	BLKW	Ad				300±20	still	on water around ship
17:30		im						(moving back to well site)
18:20	Fulmar	L2				2	var	42°51' N 61°55.4' W flying
	GBBG	Ad				6	still	on water
	"	im				3	"	"
	BLKW	Ad				300±20	→	flying, and on water - breaking up and re-forming into flocks 42°51' N 61°55' W
18:30	Gannies					9	N.W.	one group
	BLKW					300±50	var	all around ship
	GBBG	Ad				2	"	around ship



# PIROP

DATE Feb. 3 / 78

SHIP Aqua' star

OBSERVERS: Steve Abodley  
overcast: 3°C, light  
N.W. winds, s/ceasr  
1-2 m swell

## **PROGRAM FOR INTEGRATED**

## RESEARCH ON PELAGIC BIRDS

## AT-SEA DAILY LOG

SHIP  
Direction  
stationar

bottom cores

## OBSERVATION PERIOD:

19:00 TO 19:29

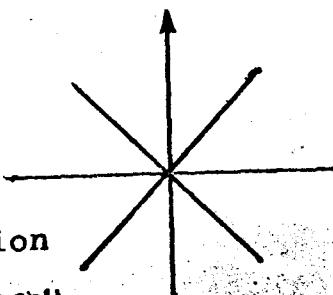
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180° forward view)

all species

180° forward view)

- 10 minute counts  
for this location  
discontinued - I'll just  
keep an eye out for  
auks, etc.



# PIROP

SHIP  
Direction

Stationary

OBSERVATION PERIOD:

PROGRAM FOR INTEGRATED  
RESEARCH ON PELAGIC BIRDS  
AT-SEA DAILY LOG

DATE Feb 4 / 78  
SHIP Aqua Star  
OBSERVERS: S. Woodley  
overcast, snow, -6°C  
light N.W. winds  
sea 1-2 m

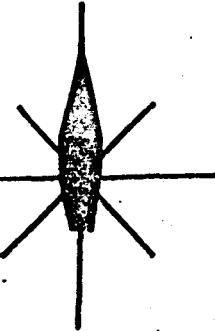
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180° for a/ward view

all species.

TIME	- SPECIES -	A G E	P L S	A S	NUMBER	MOVE- MENT	REMARKS (behaviour, sex, food, etc.)
12:40	nil						42°49.5'N 61°51.6'W same area as yesterday-well sites
12:50	nr/						
13:00	Dovekies				5	N.W.	left water and flew low over water - tight group
	GBBG	Ad			1	still	on water
	BLKW	Ad			5	var	flying
	Fulmar	A <sub>1</sub>			1	var	flying
	"	D <sub>2</sub>			1	var	
	Thick-Billed Murre				1	N.W.	sing/low over water
13:10	GBBG	Ad			4	still	on water
	"	2nd yr			3	"	"
	Fulmar	A <sub>2</sub>			1	var	flying
	"	L <sub>2</sub>			1	"	"
13:20	Fulmar	L <sub>2</sub>					
	"	D <sub>1</sub>					

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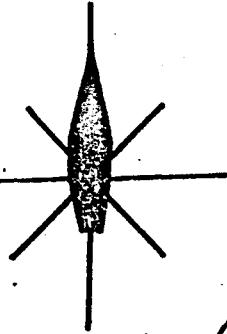


Date : Feb. 4/78  
 Ship : Aqua Star  
 Obs : S. Woodley  
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Observation period: 13:30 GMT to 14:10 GMT  
 Position or Decca 42° 51' N 61° 53' N  
 Type of watch all Reliability good  
 Visibility fair Weather overcast, -6°C, snow  
 State of Sea 1-2 m Ship Speed 6.5 knots  
 Direction 330° Activity to well site  
 Angle of view 180° Height 20'  
 forward

TIME	SPECIES	AGE	PL	ASS	NUMBER	MOV.	REMARKS, (behaviour, sex....)
13:30	BLKW	Ad			8	var	flying heavy snow, poor visibility
13:40	Murre sp.				1	N.W	
	Dovekies				8	N.W	one flight group 42° 51.6' N 61° 55' W
13:50	BLKW	im			4	var	4 juveniles flying together
	"	Ad			12	"	flying ship stopped at -42° 51.8' N 61° 55.2' W
14:00	BLKW				150±2	still	on water, off ship
	Fulmar	L1			1	var	flying
	GBBG	Ad			2	"	"
	"	Ad			1	still	on water
	Fulmar	L2			1	var	flying
							- discontinued 10 min. counts in this stationary position

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Observation period: 16:00 GMT to 17:00 GMT

Position or Decca 42° 53' N 61° 54' W

Type of watch ~~not~~ aviles Reliability goodVisibility fair to poor <sup>500m</sup> Weather overcast, -1°C, light NW winds, snow

State of Sea 1-2 m swell Ship Speed 9 knots

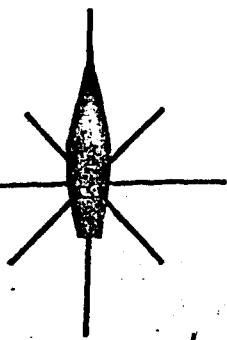
Direction 220° Activity return to Halifax

Angle of view 180° Height 20' forward

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 Ship : Polar Star  
 Obs : Steve Chodkay  
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TIME	SPECIES	AGE	PL	ASS	NUMBER	MOV.	REMARKS, (behaviour, sex....)
16:00	nil						
16:10	Dovekie				16	NW	groups of 10, 6
	Thick-billed Murre				1	NE	flew into wind, then turned east
	Murre sp				1	NW	
							42° 54' N 61° 55' W
16:20	Dovekie	1			5	dove	disappeared
							42° 55.2' N 61° 57.4' W
16:30	Dovekie				4	W.W.	groups of 1, 3 - into wind
							42° 56.6' N 61° 59' W
16:40	Dovekie				26	NW	groups of 12, 8, 3, 21 all into wind
	Thick-billed Murre				11	NW	groups of 3, 3, 3, 2 (one could not fly after many attempts)
	Murre sp				3	NW	all singles
16:50	Dovekies				4	N.W.	groups of 2, 2 ( <sup>continental</sup> shelf)
							42° 59.2' N 62° 01.8' W
17:00	Dovekies				6	NW	group of 5 East to singles
							43° 00.4' N 62° 03.1' W

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Observation period: 18:10 GMT to 18:50 GMT

Position or Decca 43°00.4'N 63°03.1'W

Type of watch Analogue Reliability goodVisibility fair to poor Weather overcast, small -6°C, NW windsState of Sea moderate Ship Speed 10.7 knotsDirection 322° Activity return to HalifaxAngle of view 180° Height 20'  
forward

Date : Feb 4/78  
 Ship : Aquila Star  
 Obs : S. Woodley  
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TIME	SPECIES	AGE	PL	ASS	NUMBER	MOV.	REMARKS, (behaviour, sex....)
18:10	Dovekies				2	NW	flew and then dove right from air 43°02'N 62°55'W
18:20	Dovekies				2	NE	In over water (snow-poor visibility) 43°03'N 62°06'W
18:30	Dovekie				1	NW	flew off water in front of ship 43°05'N 62°07.5'W
18:40	Dovekie				2	North	43°05'N 62°08'W
18:50	nil						43°05.5'N 62°08.6'W
							-freezing spray, and snow making birds impossible,