



Dolphin Research Australia
Knowledge, Awareness, Action – Conserving Our Seas

Gold Coast-Broadwater Dolphins

Estuaries provide a critical habitat for resident bottlenose dolphin communities. With increasing pressures from human activity, the future health and survival of these dolphin communities remains unknown.

OUR DOLPHIN COMMUNITY

Indo-Pacific bottlenose dolphins

(*Tursiops aduncus*) are the most common species of dolphin found in the Gold Coast & are globally listed as **Near Threatened**.

The Gold Coast-Broadwater estuary is an important habitat for the local dolphin population. This population consists of long-term residents who regularly travel into the estuary for crucial activities including feeding, resting and socialising.



Did you know?

Individual dolphins can be identified by the unique patterns of notches and scars on their dorsal fin!

DOLPHINS UNDER THREAT

Dolphins are some of the most threatened marine animals globally due to many threats from human activities.

Our resident dolphin communities are vulnerable to threats from:

habitat degradation, coastal development, pollution, prey depletion & availability, fishing & boating activities, climate change.

HOW YOU CAN HELP

Be Dolphin Aware!



**50M NO
APPROACH**



**JET SKIS
300M
NO APPROACH**



**DO NOT
FEED OR
TOUCH**



**DO NOT
LITTER**

GET INVOLVED & REPORT YOUR DOLPHIN SIGHTINGS!



Get involved in the Dolphin Watch Citizen Science Initiative and help to monitor our dolphin communities.

Simply scan the QR code or head to our website to report your sighting.



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Fin ID Cards: Gold Coast-Broadwater Resident Dolphins



Snoopy (m)

ID #749



Hutch (m)

ID #716



Muppet (f)

ID #007



Corndog (m)

ID #715



Starsky (m)

ID #714



Lynni (f)

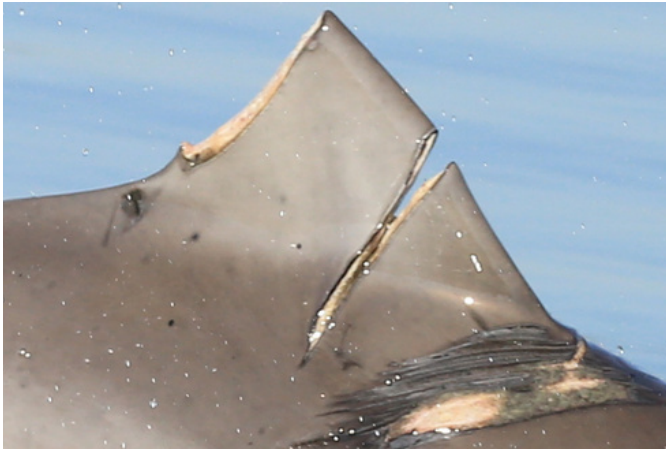
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CJ (j)

ID #669



Patti (f)

ID #652



Smudge (f)

ID #24



Shell (f)

ID #714



Dory (f)

ID #009



Chopper (f)

ID #010

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