

Swansea Fish Photo Shoot IV Sunday 2nd August 2020



The 4th Swansea Fish Photo Shoot, organised by Combined Hunter Underwater Group (CHUG), was run on 2nd August 2020. This year's Photo Shoot had been postponed twice due to storms coupled with poor diving conditions. Visibility on the day was 3 metres which impacted photo quality.

Thanks to the 7 participants who took part and sent in photos:

Alan Anderson, Cath Shorthouse, Gina Mascord, Ian Wagstaff, Kate Tinson, Margo Smith & Terry Roche

Teams sent in photos of up to 15 different fish species, and scored 1 point (pt) for each clear photo, 1 pt for each correctly identified species, and 1 pt for each species no other team submitted (max. 45 pts) Scoring was very tight with a top score of 37 pts by Cath & Kate.

The most unusual fish was an *Epinephelus cyanopodus* (Purple Rockcod) found by Gina, Alan and Ian. This tropical species was well south of its usual range! This individual has been spotted frequently by divers during the preceding months so it was fantastic to capture it on the day.



Epinephelus cyanopodus (Purple rockcod) by Gina Mascord.

In total, photos of 64 different species were submitted.

The album below shows images for each of these species photographed on the day.









