

34th Nelson Bay Sea Slug Census Results

22nd – 31st March 2024

The 34th census was a great success.

31 participants found 82 different species (see album)!

2 new species were found for the Nelson Bay Census!



Chelidonura electra (Tom & Nicola Davis)



Glaucilla bennettiae (Tom & Nicola Davis)

New species found for the Nelson Bay Sea Slug Census

Thanks to the 30 divers and intertidal searchers that took part:

Alex Bartlett, Alison Taylor, Ashley Smith, Brian Mayes, Caitlin Morton, Carissa Rideout, Cath Shorthouse, Chelsea Fairley, Chris Westley, David Atkinson, Ezra Boulton, Gitanjali Katrak, Hans Staub, Ian Marriner, Jamie Sy, Jill Mayes, John Clarke, Kate Tinson, Lea Stewart-Clarke, Lee Emery, Louise Forster, Margo Smith, Meryl Larkin, Molly Christmas, Nicola Davis, Renae Moth, Rob Wallis, Robert Olive, Terry Roche, Tom Davis, Trevor Cotterill.

The next (35th) Nelson Bay Sea Slug Census will be in September 2024, dates TBA.

The following pages shows all the species found on the census in order from most to least common. Numbers in brackets refer to the number of team sightings. All photos were taken by the participants.



Doriprismatica atromarginata (15)



Aphelodoris varia (14)



Goniobranchus aureopurpureus (12)

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Goniobranchus daphne (11)



Hypselodoris bennetti (10)



Ceratosoma amoenum (9)



Hypselodoris obscura (9)



Goniobranchus splendidus (8)



Nembrotha purpureolineata (8)



Dermatobranchus cf
dendronephthyphagus (7)



Goniobranchus collingwoodi (7)



Pteraeolidia ianthina (6)



Trinchesia sibogae (6)



Berthellina citrina (5)



Goniobranchus geometricus (5)



Thorunna daniellae (5)



Glossodoris angasi (4)



Goniobranchus verrieri (4)

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Phyllodesmium poindimiei (4)



Rostanga crawfordi (4)



Austraeolis ornata (3)



Caloria cf indica (3)



Ceratosoma brevicaudatum (3)



Elysia maoria (3)



Pleurobranchus peronii (3)



Plocamopherus tilesii (3)



Trapania brunnea (3)



Verconia haliclona (3)



Aplysia concava (2)



Aplysia extraordinaria (2)



Atagema spongiosa (2)



Carminodoris nodulosa (2)



Ceratodoris atkinsonorum (2)

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Dendrodoris fumata (2)



Dermatobranchus sp. 1 (2)



Doriopsilla peculiaris (2)



Doris cameroni (2)



Doris chrysothorax (2)



Goniobranchus albonares (2)



Goniodoridella savignyi (2)



Jorunna ramicola (2)



Trinchesia sp.trd (2)



Aplysia argus (1)



Aplysia juliana (1)



Bermudella harastii (1)



Bermudella pellucida (1)



Bulbaeolidia alba (1)



Bursatella leachii (1)

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Ceratosoma tenue (1)



Chelidonura electra (1)



Cratena lineata (1)



Crosslandia viridis (1)



Dendrodoris arborescens (1)



Dendrodoris krusensternii (1)



Diversidoris sulphurea (1)



Dolabella auricularia (1)



Dolabrifera brazieri (1)



Elysia coodgensis (1)



Elysia tomentosa (1)



Flabellina sp. 2 (1)



Glaucilla bennettiae (1)



Goniobranchus loringi (1)

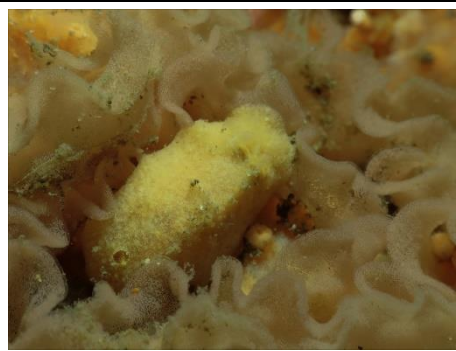


Armina magna (1)

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Hancockia sp.1 (1)



Jorunna sp.4 (1)



Mexichromis festiva (1)



Notobryon wardi (1)



Onchidoris sp. 1 (1)



Phyllodesmium sp. 1 (apricot) (1)



Platydoris sp.DH1 (1)



Plocamopherus imperialis (1)



Polycera capensis (1)



Polycera melanosticta (1)







Rostanga arbutus (1)





Sclerodoris tarka (1)

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 <p><i>Stylocheilus striatus</i> (1)</p>	 <p><i>Tayuva lilacina</i> (1)</p>	 <p><i>Trinchesia sp.2</i> (1)</p>
 <p><i>Tritonia sp. 1 (Carijoa)</i> (1)</p>		

Bubble and Umbrella shells

 <p><i>Hydatina physis</i> (3)</p>	 <p><i>Umbraculum umbraculum</i> (3)</p>	 <p><i>Bulla sp.</i> (2)</p>
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