

The Mortgage Shop Corporate Adoption Update – April 2006

Early spring is still a very quiet time where many dolphins are only beginning to return to the Inner Firth having dispersed along the coast for the winter period. This is also a time when you can have frustrating runs of bad weather and poor sightings.

Trying to second guess where these highly mobile animals will or might turn up can be a “hair tearing out” experience. All it takes is a mile or two further travel along the coast and hey presto – dolphins! Balintore is a little village just north of Cromarty and is a place that is always worth visiting out of the dolphin high season.

A few months ago I spent the day there and was rewarded with good sightings of Freedom along with one of the big mature males – Sutor. They seemed pretty relaxed, choosing to travel that little bit further up the coast towards the Dornoch Firth.

Last week was the same, I was having to spend that little bit longer looking for the dolphins, but eventually I was rewarded - Sutor and Freedom along with a few others came blasting along on a real mission to get somewhere. I think that there were fish just ahead of them as I could see through my old binoculars small silver shapes fleeing for their lives!

I hope that you like the photograph below. This was taken on one of the rare days when the sky and the sea are blue and everything looks wonderful, instead of the usual dull grey colour!

Thank you for your continued vital support.

Best wishes

Charlie Phillips
WDCS Dolphin Field Officer

