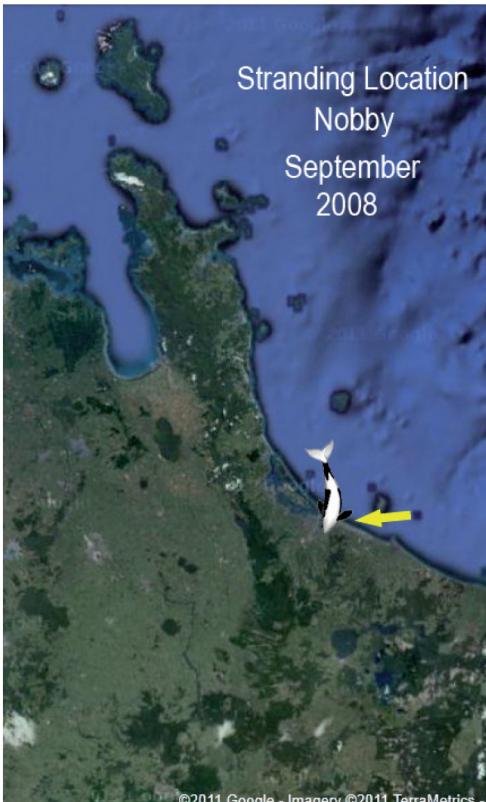


See video of Nobby's rescue at our website

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NOBBY

STRANDING DATE: September 2008
STRANDING LOCATION: Papmoa Beach, near Tauranga, Bay of Plenty



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DURATION ON THE BEACH:
Approximately 9 hours
RESIGHTED: Yes.
More than 10 times



Above: Nobby in Whangarei Harbour

Left: Nobby on the beach, covered in sheets to protect his skin from the sun.

Right: The knob on Nobby's fin, from fishing line entanglement.
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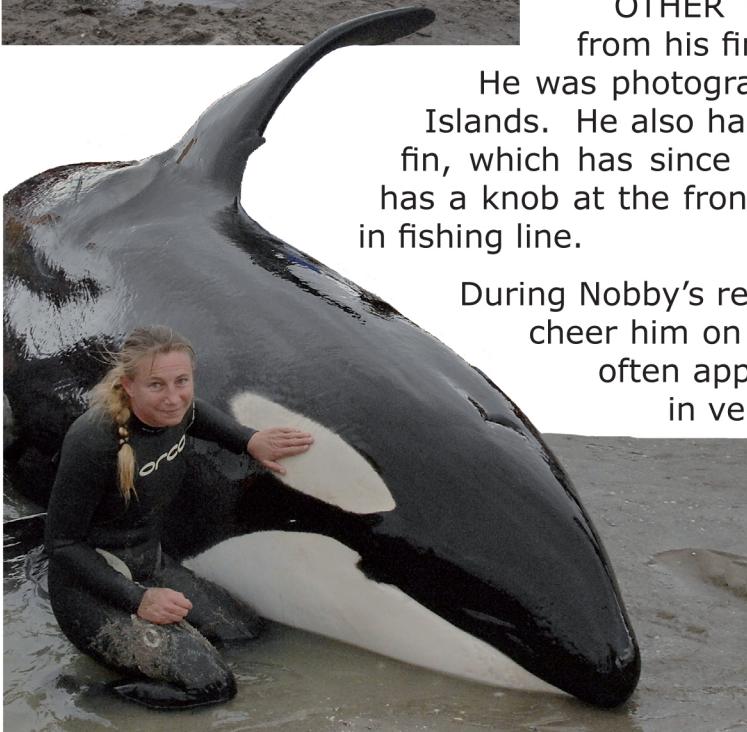
MOST RECENT RESIGHTING: Kaikoura (South Island)



OTHER COMMENTS: Nobby gets his name from his first recorded sighting, in our database.

He was photographed off Nobby's Point, in the Bay of Islands. He also had a small knob on the tip of his dorsal fin, which has since disappeared. However, Nobby now has a knob at the front of his dorsal fin, from entanglement in fishing line.

During Nobby's rescue more than 2,000 people came to cheer him on as he swam off the beach. Nobby will often approach boats and can typically be seen in very shallow waters hunting for rays.



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Left: Dr Ingrid Visser beside Nobby during his rescue.
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