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1. Country/location of visit

Minami chita Beach Land, Aich pref.

2. Research project

Observation of pair swimming between mother and neonate in captive Bottlenose dolphin

3. Date (departing from/returning to Japan)

2015.6.13

4. Main host researcher and affiliation

Natsuko Sakurai (Minami chita Beach Land)

5. Progress and results of your research/activity (You can attach extra pages if needed)

Please insert one or more pictures (to be publicly released). Below each picture, please provide a brief description

The aim of this trip was to observe pair swimming and social behaviors between mother and neonate by video tape record.

To record this behavior, I set two video cameras (SONY XR550v and SONY XR590v) with tripods. One set outside to record the pool form upper side and the other set in front of underwater observation window to record the underwater behavior. (Fig1, 2)

In the observation pool, there are two female dolphins. One is 13-years-old and she is pregnant. The other is 6-years-old.

Recording period will be from 13th June to end of October and recording time will be 8:00am to 5:00pm.

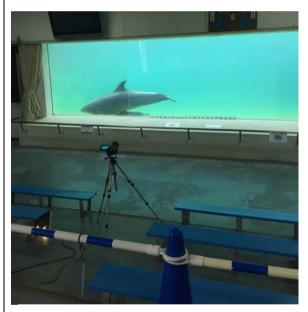


Outside video camera

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Observation from outside



Inside video camera

Others

I appreciate Staffs at Minami chita Beach Land, especially Ms. Natsuko Sakurai for accept and help this observation. And I am grateful to the PWS program and members.