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FRV Clupea

Cruise 0205C

## **REPORT**

17 February – 1 March 2005

## **PORTS**

Loading: 15 February, Fraserburgh Unloading: 1 March, Fraserburgh

#### Personnel

S Davis B2 (In-charge)

J Donald A4

Fishing Gear: Scallop Dredges

Cost to project: 13 days, M01T

# **Objectives**

1. To carry out a survey of scallop stocks around Shetland.

- 2. To collect information on by-catches of other commercial fish and shellfish species.
- 3. To collect biological data on scallop growth rates.

# **Narrative**

The scientific staff joined FRV *Clupea* at 0900 hours on 17 February and sailed from Fraserburgh at 1045. Sampling began NE of Sumburgh at 0830 on 18 February and continued around Shetland until the survey was completed at 1500 on 28 February. The vessel set sail for Fraserburgh at this time, arriving in port at 0700 on 1 March. Scientific staff returned to the laboratory with all equipment and samples.

#### Results

During the trip 93 dredge hauls were made and a total of 5667 scallops were caught. The position of each haul is shown on the map in Figure 1. Catch rates varied from a minimum of 0/hr to a maximum of 494/hr. The aggregate catch rates for each area, expressed in numbers per hour per metre width age, are shown in Figure 2. The individual graph headings in Figure 2 show the overall catch rate for each area. The length frequencies in numbers caught per half centimetre length category are shown in Figure 3. The numbers of each by-catch species caught is given in Table 1.

S Davis 27 July 2005

## **Circulation List: Cruise Programmes and Reports**

#### **CLUPEA VESSEL**

Programmes - Mr J A Morrison for approval. Reports - Mr J A Morrison for approval.

Issue two copies of Record of Haul and Station Numbers pro-forma with Scientist-in-Charge's copy of *Scotia* and *Clupea* programmes.

Two xerox copies of track chart for reports to be sent to Dr L Rickards.

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