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1994 CHARTER VESSEL PROGRAMME: FSM3 SHELLFISH RESOURCE GROUP

REPORT: MF0206BO SOLENT OYSTERS

STAFF: P Walker
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LOCATION: The Solent

DATES: 1 and 2 June 1994

AIM: To lay marked scallop shells on three standard plots for the Solent oyster spatfall monitoring experiment.

NARRATIVE:

MAFF staff travelled to Lymington on the afternoon of 1 June. The sacks of marked shells were loaded aboard WIGHT SAPPHIRE - chartered at short notice due to the breakdown of the SSFC patrol boat - at Lymington on the morning of 2 June.

The positions of the 3 plots had been retained as way-points on the GPS navigator and so were easily fixed. 2100 marked shells were spread evenly over each plot.

The vessel returned to Lymington at 1430h and staff returned to Lowestoft that afternoon.

D W Palmer
9 June 1994

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