

## Rock Pool Project BioBlitz Battle Report

BRPC Menai Bridge December 2025





















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















### Overall Results

|                   |                        |
|-------------------|------------------------|
| Records           | 130                    |
| Species           | 68                     |
| Verified species  | 49                     |
| Observers         | 8                      |
| Verified score    | 93                     |
| Unverified score  | 103                    |
| Top species       | Orchestia mediterranea |
| Top Species score | 10                     |














## Event species list (Species verified to Research Grade only)

|   | Common Name            | Latin Name                     | Rarity Score |
|---|------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------|
|    | Shanny                 | <i>Lipophrys pholis</i>        | 1            |
|    | Rock Gunnel            | <i>Pholis gunnellus</i>        | 2            |
|    | Atlantic Dogwhelk      | <i>Nucella lapillus</i>        | 1            |
|    | Flat Periwinkle        | <i>Littorina obtusata</i>      | 1            |
|    | Common European Limpet | <i>Patella vulgata</i>         | 1            |
|    | NA                     | <i>Aeolidia filomenae</i>      | 2            |
|   | Four-lined Polycera    | <i>Polycera quadrilineata</i>  | 2            |
|  | Lined Top Shell        | <i>Phorcus lineatus</i>        | 1            |
|  | Purple Topshell        | <i>Steromphala umbilicalis</i> | 1            |
|  | Grey Topshell          | <i>Steromphala cineraria</i>   | 1            |
|  | Grey Mail-shell        | <i>Lepidochitona cinerea</i>   | 1            |
|  | Bristly Mail-shell     | <i>Acanthochitona crinita</i>  | 3            |
|  | Common Cockle          | <i>Cerastoderma edule</i>      | 1            |
|  | Baltic Macoma          | <i>Macoma balthica</i>         | 2            |
|  | Japanese Littleneck    | <i>Ruditapes philippinarum</i> | 3            |
|  | Pullet Carpet Shell    | <i>Venerupis corrugata</i>     | 2            |
|  | Rayed Artemis          | <i>Dosinia exoleta</i>         | 3            |
|  | Pacific Oyster         | <i>Magallana gigas</i>         | 1            |

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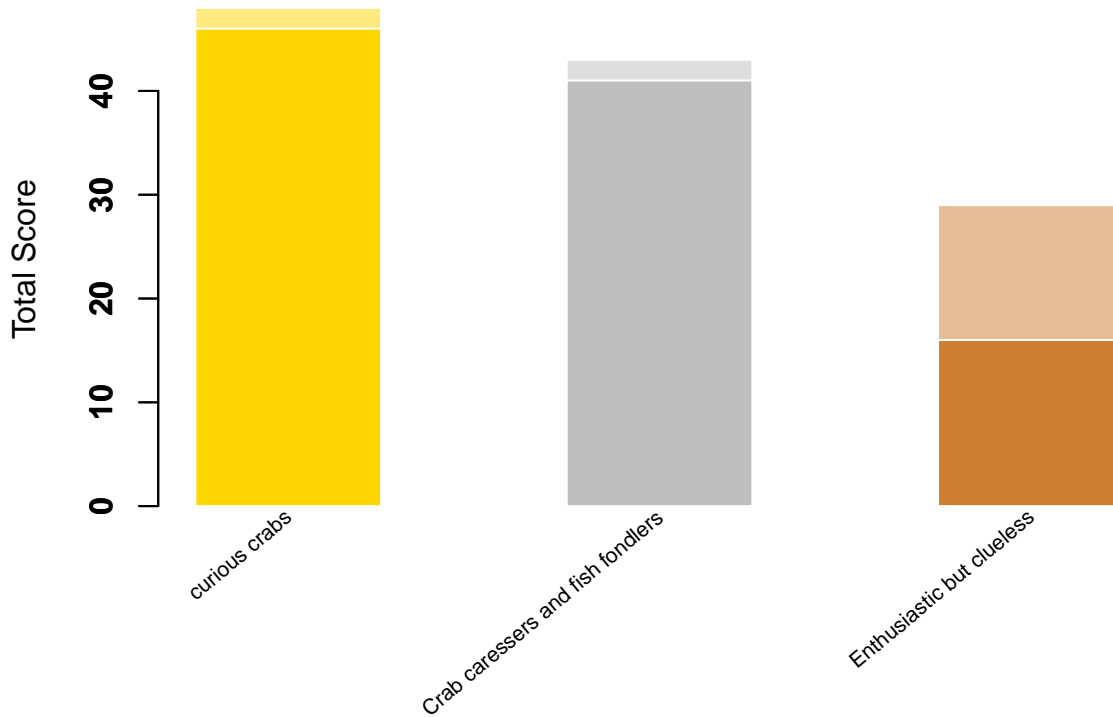
|   | Common Name                | Latin Name                      | Rarity Score |
|---|----------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------|
|    | European Flat Oyster       | <i>Ostrea edulis</i>            | 1            |
|    | Variegated Scallop         | <i>Mimachlamys varia</i>        | 2            |
|    | Northern Acorn Barnacle    | <i>Semibalanus balanoides</i>   | 1            |
|    | Edible Crab                | <i>Cancer pagurus</i>           | 1            |
|    | European Green Crab        | <i>Carcinus maenas</i>          | 1            |
|    | Common Hermit Crab         | <i>Pagurus bernhardus</i>       | 1            |
|   | Hooded Shrimp              | <i>Athanas nitescens</i>        | 4            |
|  | Mediterranean Beach Hopper | <i>Orchestia mediterranea</i>   | 10           |
|  | Sand Mason Worm            | <i>Lanice conchilega</i>        | 2            |
|  | Common Sea Star            | <i>Asterias rubens</i>          | 1            |
|  | Cushion Star               | <i>Asterina gibbosa</i>         | 1            |
|  | Dwarf Brittle Star         | <i>Amphipholis squamata</i>     | 2            |
|  | Green Sea Urchin           | <i>Psammechinus miliaris</i>    | 2            |
|  | crumb-of-bread sponge      | <i>Hymeniacidon perlevis</i>    | 2            |
|  | Bread-crumbs Sponge        | <i>Halichondria panicea</i>     | 2            |
|  | green ribbon worm          | <i>Emplectonema gracile</i>     | 10           |
|  | kelp lace bryozoan         | <i>Membranipora membranacea</i> | 2            |
|  | Hornwrack                  | <i>Flustra foliacea</i>         | 2            |

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|---|-----------------------|--------------------------------|--------------|
|    | Cutweed               | <i>Ulva intestinalis</i>       | 1            |
|    | Broadleaf Sea Lettuce | <i>Ulva lactuca</i>            | 1            |
|    | Pepper Dulse          | <i>Osmundea pinnatifida</i>    | 2            |
|    | Irish Moss            | <i>Chondrus crispus</i>        | 1            |
|    | Pink Plate Weeds      | <i>Lithophyllum incrustans</i> | 3            |
|    | Dulse                 | <i>Palmaria palmata</i>        | 2            |
|    | Channelled Wrack      | <i>Pelvetia canaliculata</i>   | 1            |
|   | bladder wrack         | <i>Fucus vesiculosus</i>       | 1            |
|  | Saw Wrack             | <i>Fucus serratus</i>          | 1            |
|  | Spiral Wrack          | <i>Fucus spiralis</i>          | 1            |
|  | Knotted Wrack         | <i>Ascophyllum nodosum</i>     | 1            |
|  | Sugar Kelp            | <i>Saccharina latissima</i>    | 1            |
|  | Oarweed               | <i>Laminaria digitata</i>      | 1            |

## Team Results

Congratulations to curious crabs for taking the gold medal in this bioblitz battle! And well done to everyone for a great game and some fantastic wildlife finds.



Faint section of bars shows score for unverified species. These species are not included in the final result.

## Individual Results

|                   | Species | Potential Score | Confirmed Score |
|-------------------|---------|-----------------|-----------------|
| bugboycaleb       | 32      | 40              | 38              |
| Sophie            | 25      | 26              | 24              |
| submontanetree    | 18      | 22              | 21              |
| unorthodox_sketch | 5       | 17              | 17              |
| Nathan Jackson    | 3       | 17              | 17              |
| jackosborne97     | 16      | 13              | 9               |
| Harry Gardiner    | 13      | 17              | 5               |
| becky-coston      | 5       | 9               | 5               |



## TOP SPECIES FOUND

A total of 7 species with a rarity score of 3 or higher have verified records:



Mediterranean Beach Hopper - *Orchestia mediterranea*, Rarity Score: 10. Discovered by Nathan Jackson



green ribbon worm - *Emplectonema gracile*, Rarity Score: 10. Discovered by unorthodox\_sketch



Hooded Shrimp - *Athanas nitescens*, Rarity Score: 4. Discovered by Nathan Jackson



Japanese Littleneck - *Ruditapes philippinarum*, Rarity Score: 3. Discovered by unorthodox\_sketch



Rayed Artemis - *Dosinia exoleta*, Rarity Score: 3. Discovered by Nathan Jackson



Pink Plate Weeds - *Lithophyllum incrustans*, Rarity Score: 3. Discovered by submontanetree



Bristly Mail-shell - *Acanthochitona crinita*,  
Rarity Score: 3. Discovered by bugboycaleb





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