

**Uchuck III Luna Log**  
**September 2002 to February 2003**

Sept 16, 2002

0932: Luna Spotted by Steep. He was playing with a piece of wood. He abandoned the wood and came alongside us

0948: We are currently doing 11.3 knots and he is showing no signs of tiring out

0953: We are now approaching Ous point and Silverado Cr. We will have to slow down and stop here.

0955: When we Slow down, Luna left our side.

Sept 17, 2002

1340: Luna spotted between Victor Island and GRL. It looked like he was coming right at us.

1354: We had to stop the ship in order to dock the boat. Luna came right alongside us.

Sept 18, 2002

1000: We couldn't even get past GRL and he was alongside us. We were doing 9.3 knots because the engines were warming up.

1011: We are now at full speed (11.5 knots) and he is showing no signs of being tired.

1129: Still there, going strong

1039: Luna has now passed 7 nautical miles of following us at an average speed of over 11 knots

1049: We just passed Tree Lt. And he is still with us. He is swimming on his back with his belly up.

1100: He is constantly rolling to his side and raising his left fin. He has now passed 12.3 nautical miles

1107: Survey vessel Dynacap has asked us to hold onto him because they are surveying Williamson Passage. Luna interfered with their survey last time.

1108: We just rounded Atrevida, and Luna is still with us and still going strong.

1117: We are stopping the ship because we concerned we are leading Luna away from the Pilchards.

1118: He comes alongside us on the starboard side. He was also right under our generator discharge again

1124: A small boat stopped to watch and Luna headed right for it

1126: We are under way at full speed and Luna is staying behind with the small boat.

All total Luna followed us for 14.9 NM at over 11 knots.

Sept 23, 2002

1200: Luna spotted between Atrevida and Anderson

1207: We had to stop, he was right in front of us. While we stopped, we noticed some major slices behind his head, as well as acetone breath

1221: He has headed of to another boat and we are leaving.

Sept 28, 2002

0922: Between Atrevida and Anderson Luna has headed towards us while we left Mooyah Bay.

0924: He is alongside us on the starboard side following at a speed of 11.3 knots

0931: Due to safety interests, we have stopped. There was a large group of Kayakers and Canoers in front of us that Luna would have approached has we carried on.

0948: The Kayakers have crossed the channel and we are on our way. Luna is way behind us and heading back to Anderson pt.

Oct 1, 2002

1124: Luna is playing with a boomstick by San Carlos Pt. He came right at the boat. We stopped to look at him. His breath smelled clean today. We did not have

a good look at his cuts on his head.

1132: We are away, and Luna has gone back to his logs

Oct 25, 2002

1306: Luna is back from Tlupana Inlet. He was up there chasing Salmon and being friendly with the gill netters and Atlin Post (DFO)

1310: I have put the ship in neutral. We just want to check his size and his cut on the top of his head. The cut on his head seems to have disappeared. There are a few new scrapes on him, but nothing as bad looking as his head cut from earlier this summer. The new scrape that stands out the most is just above his right eye. Luna seems to be thicker around the middle, but it is hard to know for sure because we haven't seen him ourselves for 3 weeks. His breath does not smell like acetone or anything remotely close to that.

1316: We are underway and Luna is not following us

Oct 29, 2002

1208: We have stopped the ship between Atrevida and Anderson. Luna has come right along us. He is being way friendlier than normal. He is jumping and spyhopping continuously. The gash above his right eye (noticed on the 25<sup>th</sup>) seems to be healing quite nicely. Again, no acetone breath.

1227: We are underway.

1233: Luna is again alongside us following us to Gold River. We are currently doing 11 knots.

1242: Luna has stopped following us and is headed back to the Mooyah Bay area. This encounter was video taped

Oct 30, 2002

1300: Luna is ½ way between our dock in Gold river and the other side of the inlet. From our dock we can see him surfacing quite often. There are no boats around him.

Nov 1, 2002

1435: Luna is about ¼ mile away from the GRL. He is doing complete breaches. We have a boat in tow, so we can't investigate.

Nov 14, 2002

0604: We have not even left the harbour and Luna is alongside us. He is on the Starboard side making around 8 knots

0610: As we approached Jacklah River and slowed down to stop Luna left us. It was too dark to really see him clearly.

Nov 19, 2002

1704: We have passed GRL and Luna has joined us while we are entering the harbour.

1706: We have stopped to look at him. He is very energetic today, unfortunately, it is getting too dark to see if he has any cuts. We are all trying to sniff his breath (which is only 5' below us) and nobody smells an acetone aroma. However, our engineer comments on how fat Luna is compared to last time he saw him

1710: We have started up, and are heading into the dock at a ½ speed. Luna is still beside us. Luna has left us as we get closer to the dock.

Nov 22, 2002

0557: Luna is on our port side following us towards Jacklah River. It is way too dark to get a good look at him.

0610: He has now left our side.

Dec 2, 2002

0945: Luna was alongside us when we passed GRL. He followed in our wake until we approached the Jacklah River sort. We didn't know if it was the sort that made him leave, or if it was the 7 stellar sea lions that were on the boomsticks. We didn't get a good look at his body because we didn't stop to look

Jan 14, 2003

0820: At Booming grounds. Luna was swimming in the Booming grounds. He then followed the tug to Jacklah

Jan 16, 2003

All Day: Luna was playing in the Marina the entire afternoon. We took a good close look at him, but could see no further major cuts. The blue copper paint from the aluminum boats was very visible on his skin. People from the village were coming down all day to see him. I would suspect some were petting him.

Jan 21, 2003

0935: Luna headed straight for us when we left our dock. He was jumping and carrying on quite energetically. He even showed us that he had a fish in his mouth. We did not stop to see this, but he followed us until we stopped for McCurdy Creek.

Feb 7, 2003

Luna was rubbing on the underside of a boat and brought in a log he was playing with. He has a sore on his mouth and one on his left side anterior to dorsal fin.

Feb 10, 2003

1015: At Muchalat. Luna headed towards us just before Victor Is. Came From Jacklah. Luna followed us to Silverado- Very Playful. We picked up Luna again and he traveled with us to Hanna Channel where he left us to visit a boat with 6 men fishing. They were petting him.

1400: Saw whale in distance spout several times and sound. Think it was a grey

Feb 14, 2003

1120: Saw about 7 leaping dolphins up Tahsis inlet

1210: Picked up Luna in Hannah Channel. He has a piece of kelp hanging out of his mouth. Luna stayed with us until Kleeptee Creek- Still carrying his kelp

1218: At dock. He looks good!

1221: Playing with Tug and boomboat. Luna put his tail fluke on the bow of the tug while on his back- Let Jim push him around. Luna did this several times.